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JANUARY—Contract Consultants—who they are, how they function, what services they provide, and a cross-section listing of consultants around the country, with profiles in each category, including audio-visual, acoustical, office landscape, carpet, psychological, ergonomic, and lighting specialists. Preview of the Contract Marketplace—New York Show, Feb. 11-13, 1975. Plus—the CONTRACT 1/75 Directory—the industry's most complete and comprehensive, up-to-the-minute reference manual for contract furniture, furnishings, accessories, and related products; including alphabetized, categorized listings of all contract manufacturers, showrooms, and directory of associations, societies, and markets, as well as product listings by category.

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During the day devoted to Interior Design at the Second Federal Design Assembly recently held in Washington, D.C., programmers missed another opportunity to advance the state of the interior space design art in the wasteland of design that is the Federal Government.

Convened for the second year to advance the cause and benefits of good design by educating Federal department administrators, the assembly programming missed by a mile for its failure to cite actual case histories within the Government that illustrate the benefits of good interior space design. While punctuated with one or two inspiring speakers, the interior design segment of the program failed to provide the needed justification to department heads to make and pay for needed change.

What is more the pity, there were several speakers who had excellent experience in providing such justification in the program, but ostensibly were limited to the strictures of the outlined program.

Here was a gathering of several hundred government interior designers and a scattering of administrators, or those sent by them to report on the meeting, open to new ideas, yet beset by the same cliches and bromides clothed in an attractive label. While a presentation on "Design Awareness" has its place, those in the audience who were practicing design for 20 years or so could hardly be impressed, nor could the administrators who were there for more pragmatic information. An outline of benefits experienced by other Federal departments which had harnessed good design could have provided the inspiration necessary for department heads to take the good design plunge.

Programming on the first day, devoted in part to Visual Communications, was ultra-superb, with a well planned and executed program that was entertaining, but which hammered home actual successful cases of changes in graphics and communications in several Federal departments. The Federal Council on the Arts & the Humanities, administered by the National Endowment for the Arts, is to be congratulated as sponsor on its effort and intent in that segment of the program.

However, to allow an opportunity to slay the mint-green and blue monster that lurks in Federal offices to slip away for another year is inexcusable. There is too much Federal money at stake—billions of taxpayer dollars—and the benefits to be garnered by both the Government and its employees from better interior space design simply will not be made widely known among design influences in the various departments, except by little publicized accident.

When and if the Third Federal Design Assembly convenes in 1975, let "The Design Reality," which was the theme of this year's program, involve some realistic examples of what good interior design and planning has already done and can do for denizens of the Fed. Len Corlin

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Annual sales of commercial furnishings in the U.S. amount to more than \$6.3 billion, will increase to \$8-9 billion by 1977, and to \$11 billion by 1982, according to an indepth market report by Smith, Stanley & Co., New York-based research specialist.

"Our study shows that during the next few years, suppliers will be able to offset slack in the home furnishings market with larger sales in the contract furnishings market," explains Fred I. Smith, President of the firm. "This is especially true in the South Atlantic states, which represent the largest market for contract furnishings." The study, based on data from nearly 2,000 in-depth interviews conducted by Smith, Stanley & Co. during the past year, breaks the current market into the following categories and annual dollar values: furniture, \$2 billion; flooring materials, \$1.2 billion; wall finishes, \$1 billion; doors, \$700 million; lighting fixtures, \$500 million; partitions, \$300 million; ceiling materials, \$300 million; open office furnishings, \$200 million; window coverings, \$140 million.

Also included in the study is the amount and dollar value of contract furnishings by

Knoll Leases showroom at Pacific Design Center

Knoll International has signed a lease for a 10,000-sq.-ft. showroom on the second floor contract level of the new \$35 million Pacific Design Center now rising in West Hollywood.

The new space will house Knoll's western division as well as an extensive presentation of furniture and accessories.

The leasing arrangement was signed by Larry Ryan, VP/Sales, Knoll International, and Elvin Case, Knoll's Western Regional Manager. Murray Feldman, Executive Director for the new center, Arthur B.



Knoll International signs a new lease establishing its western headquarters at Pacific Design Center. Present were (I. to r., standing) Knoll's Elvin Case, Western Regional Manager, and George Johnson, Los Angeles Manager; Arthur B. Birtcher, General Partner, Sequoia Pacific; and (seated) Larry Ryan, VP/Sales, Knoll International; Murray Feldman, PDC's Executive Director.

Birtcher, Partner, and Elmer Tague, Senior VP/Sequoia Pacific, represented the Pacific Design Center at the signing.

In addition to the Knoll signing, Baker Knapp & Tubbs, Herman Miller, and Metropolitan Furniture Co. will be moving their showroom operations to PDC. The space in the new building, slated for occupancy in April, 1975, is alloted as follows: Baker Knapp & Tubbs, 35,000 sq. ft.; Miller, 10,000 sq. ft.; and Metropolitan, 3,000 sq. ft.

"The Pacific Design Center is one of a handful of buildings in the United States specifically designed to serve as a design center and home furnishings resource center," said Elmer Tague, Sr. VP/Sequoia Pacific, project developer. "For example, showrooms will be located in related furnishings, by floor level." In addition, the Center, designed by Gruen Associates. features each floor planned in a diagonal pattern to create open malls rather than "raceway" corridors.

National leasing for the project is now being staffed and directed by PDC.

Schroeder brings experience, optimism to NAFM presidency

Gary K. Schroeder, Executive VP/Sales & Marketing for La-Z-Boy Chair Co., is the new President of National Association of Furniture Manufacturers.

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furnishings economy, Schroeder said that, "Wall Street has been eyeing the home furnishings industry for several years. They will not be disappointed when we become one of the dominant industrial forces in the country. The furnishing industry offers an unprecedented opportunity for growth.

"Opportunistic firms with creative ideas and sound products will enjoy outstanding successes during the next decade," he predicted.

Director of the NAFM since 1970, Schroeder has also served three years as Vice President and has been an active member on many of the Association's committees. He is currently Chairman of Profile V, a research and executive development program to assist industry management in using a total performance model for programming and evaluating their company's growth in 1985.



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Committee will form federal architectural glass regulations

The Consumer Safety Glazing Committee (an independent, cooperative organization devoted to the promotion of glass safety standards throughout the U.S.) will work to develop federal safety standards for architectural glass products. The new mandatory national safety glazing standards will then be reviewed by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, a federal commission established by the Consumer Product Safety Act of 1972.

"The general public," detailed W. J. Keirns, Chairman of CSGC, "including any special interest groups concerned with con-

sumer product safety, are encouraged to participate in the development of these standards."

Hazardous areas under consideration will be entrance and exit doors, fixed panels or sidelights, storm doors, insulating doors, sliding glass doors, bathtub enclosures, shower doors and enclosures, and windows.

Conclusions will be based on a thorough review of existing data, determining if architectural glass used in products such as storm windows, picture or fixed windows, and operating windows creates a high that the floor surface complements the IGE (Individually Guided Education) method used at the school, which permits each child to learn at his or her own pace.

At Heritage School in Miami, Fla., nursery and kindergarten students range in age from three to five years. Here the carpet's number and letter grid is used in learning new math, and the circle patterns used to understand the concept of sets.

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Anyone with pertinent information or opinions should contact W. J. Keirns, Chairman, Consumer Safety Glazing Committee, 1000 Conn. Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C., or M.N. Zeolla, Project Manager, Consumer Safety Glazing Committee, One Gateway Ctr., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222.

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Entry forms and information are available from Design in Steel Awards Program, 633 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

Product design organization will specialize in lighting

California Group, a new industrial product design organization, has set up headquarters at Beverly Robertson Design Center, 8797 W. Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles.

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Landscape topic of AMS Ohio symposium

A symposium on Office Landscape will be conducted by Administrative Management Society, November 20-22. The three-day program, at Marriot Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, will include several field trips, beginning with a tour of landscaped facilities at Educators & Executives Building in Columbus.

Seminars include sessions on the need for facility planning; acoustics and sound control in open office designs; user reaction to landscaped environments; quality versus high intensity lighting.

Lecturers and discussion leaders have been drawn from all areas of office planning and include Dr. Rodolfo E. Planas, President Quickborner Team, office planning consultant, Jordan A. Berman, President Jordan A. Berman Associates, Boston-based space planner, Richard N. Hamme, President & Technical Director, Geiger & Hamme, Ann Arbor, Mich., independent acoustical testing laboratory.

Additional information on program and

registration can be obtained from Frank Carberry, AMS, 2360 Maryland Rd., Willow Grove, PA, 19090, (215) 659-4300

Flooring industry is on upswing, has retained '52 prices

Although housing starts and construction are faring relatively poorly in the current economy, the floor covering industry expects a sales increase of six to eight percent this year.

That was the consensus of spokesmen of the nation's leading manufacturers of resilient flooring and carpeting, voiced to more than 250 designers at a floor covering seminar sponsored by Pacific Design Center at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

"Increased home improvement on the residential front and continuing demand for commercial and contract flooring account for this phenomenon in a generally depressed economy," explained Murray Feldman, PDC Executive Director.

This seems to be borne out by statistics, according to the seminar speakers. Sales in 1973 were about \$4.4 billion, with carpeting accounting for \$3.3 billion. It was also noted that floor covering prices are at their 1950-52 price levels. Increased productivity resulting from technological advances has enabled the industry to fight price hikes.

"Even with the housing slump, resilient flooring sales have been up this year, noted Jack R. Lee, General Product Manager of GAF Corp.'s flooring products. "And with housing starts expected to increase to about 1.7 billion in 1975, the industry should benefit considerably."

Al DiFiorie, Sr. VP/National Contract Sales for E.T. Barwick added that he foresees, "industry sales increases of six to eight per cent annually in the next decade—with the greatest growth opportunities in the commercial and contract areas."



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Expansions: Tropitone doubles California production

• Armstrong Cork Co. will construct a three-story interior design center and a five-story office building in center city Lancaster, Pa. Scheduled for completion in 1976, the two structures will provide working space for approximately 350 employees, most of whom are now located at the company's current corporate headquarters in Lancaster.

• Florida-based Tropitone Furniture is presently constructing a new 90,000-sq.ft. manufacturing plant and office facility in Irving Industrial Park, Calif. The new plant, expected to be in full production by late January, will double current California production.

• La-Z-Boy has dedicated its newest facility in a nationwide network of eight plants. Located in Siloam Springs, Ark., the 110,000-sq.-ft. plant will center production around the La-Z-Rocker, a line of swivel rockers introduced this past year.

• HON Industries of Muscatine, Iowa, has leased a 200,000-sq.-ft. manufacturing plant located in Chesterfield County near Richmond, Va. This fourth plant, scheduled to begin production in early 1975, is being added to better serve the Eastern market.

• Plastiglide Mfg. Corp. has completed its move to new executive offices and manufacturing facilities. The new plant, located at 2701 W. El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif., contains over 270,000 sq.-ft. of office, manufacturing, and warehousing space.

• Bishop's Office Supply Center, Orlando, Fla., has expanded showroom space at 1800 E. Colonial Dr., and built a new manufacturing, warehousing, and office facility at 119 W. Kaley St. Both expansions were effected to achieve more efficient customer service to the East Coast.

• Norman Bates, Inc., California-based manufacturer of contemporary office furniture, has doubled the size of its operation with the addition of a 30,000-sq.-ft. plant. Located at 2200 S. Dupont Dr., Anaheim, Calif., the structure houses larger, improved display facilities, as well as increased manufacturing capabilities.

• Curon div. Reeves Brothers, Inc. has opened a new flexible polyurethane foam fabricating plant, located at High Point, N.C. Designed to supply the furniture and bedding trades in the Carolinas, the 30,000-sq.-ft. plant will be headed by Charles Morris, Curon Regional Manager.

American Mart adds eight settings to ASID Designers Rooms

The American Mart will add a series of eight "apartment living" room settings to its AID Designers Rooms complex which debuted at the Mart in June. The new settings will be unveiled on the opening day of the Mart's Chicago Home Furnishings Winter Market, January 5.

At that time, the name of the special exhibit area will be changed to ASID Designer Rooms, reflecting the recent merger of American Institute of Interior Designers and National Society of Interior Designers.

Pearl Snyder, Chairman of the project since its inception, continues in that capacity, and will announce the names of the ASID designers who will have their work featured. As with the first series of eight rooms, the additional settings will be keynoted to the theme that good taste need not be expensive and will feature furnishings selected from Mart exhibitors' lines.



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Outdoor furniture is specially designed for the handicapped

A custom furniture grouping for the courtyard of the Parker C. Carson, M.D. Rehabilitation Center was designed specifically for use by the handicapped. Designed as a function extension of the hospital's therapeutic program, the grouping includes chairs, benches, and tables, fabricated of California redwood.

Working in conjunction with Edward F. O'Neil, Administrative Coordinator of Rehabilitative Services, the hospital's architect, The Richie Organization of Chestnut Hill, Mass., based its design on anatomical data for equipment for the handicapped. The seat is 2 in. higher and 4 in. wider than general-purpose chairs; arms are 4 to 5 in. higher than normal; back is 5 in. higher than average seating.

Legs and back are straight for added



Chair is scaled to provide maximum support and stability for the handicapped. Legs and back are straight; seat is four inches wider and two inches higher than average-use chairs.



Circular table around tree is high enough to accommodate wheelchair, and all items are of solid heartwood redwood for added stability.

stability, and all pieces are of solid heartwood redwood, providing the weight needed to prevent horizontal movement or tipping. Edges of the seat and back are rounded.

All of the pieces were made by the hospital's Engineering Dept. Carpenter Shop under the supervision of Tony Therrien. Frames are fastened by a bolted construction technique and ½-in. galvanized hardware facilitates assembly. Waterproof glue reinforces joining points on seat and back, and for additional durability, the furniture is treated with a clear, waterrepellent finish.

The grouping is suitable for general commercial use with modifications in the chair's measurements.

Mergers: N.Y. and Canadian firm open Guild in Toronto

• An agreement in principle has been reached with Kirsch Co., Sturgis, Mich., for the acquisition of Vanguard Studios, Inc., Chatsworth, Calif. Vanguard Studios, producer and distributor of framed paintings, graphics, and prints, will be purchased by Kirsch Co., the world's largest manfacturer of drapery hardware, upon approval by stockholders and Boards of Directors of both firms.

• M&M Associates, Inc., has merged with B&W Corp. of Bensenville, Ill., affording the firm the manufacturing facilities of a modern 40,000-sq.-ft. fabricating and finishing plant. In conjunction with the merger, effected for rapid expansion of the firm's product line, M&M Associates has moved its offices and staff from Palos Park, Ill., to the Bensenville, Ill., facility.

• Furnicraft Industries has acquired Lamp Creation, Inc., Bronx, N.Y., manufacturer of traditional and Mediterranean chandeliers, table, and floor lamps. All manufacturing and shipping will now be made from the firm's Huntington plant.

• Geringer & Sons, Div. Lightron Corp., Peekskill, N.Y., will join with LIV Canada Ltd., Toronto to form the Lighting Guild of Canada, to be located in the Toronto area. The new firm will manufacture and distribute Geringer lighting products consisting of the Geringer brand, Gramercy Park, Auralume, and Geringer International lines.

• A merger between VLN, marketers of a Bohn Rex-Rotary line automatic copiers, and Sheller-Globe, producers of Globe-Weil Systems and Red Rope line of office supplies and accessories, was recently approved by both sets of shareholders.
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2. Separate cushion makes a carpet seem thicker and more luxurious. It upgrades the carpet's underfoot feel and simply makes it feel better. Cushion also adds to the carpet's ability to lower the peak impact force when an object, such as a foot, hits it abruptly. In a quantitative drop test, cushion reduces the impact exerted on the floor covering by one-half when compared to carpet alone.

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New assignments: Oil companies seek space planning for efficiency

Among projects on the boards at SLS/Environetics, Inc., is design of executive offices for Colonial Savings Association in Regency Square, downtown Houston, the seventh project undertaken by SLS for that firm. Recently completed was planning and design of Houston's Conoco Oil Co. headquarters. Other Houston projects include installations for Gulf Oil and Mid-America Oil Co. In Los Angeles, Shell Oil Co. and Mobil Oil Co. have also retained SLS, reflecting the oil industry's continuing concern with efficient planning and use of space. On the international scene, SLS will handle space planning and design for Collins Publishing Co., Scotland, Amerada Hess, London, and England's Marks & Spencer Velcro Corp., entering into an in-depth research period to identify customers' needs, has hired James R. Vaughan, AID, New York City, of Related Designs, Inc. as consultant. Research will revolve around the development of a new home decorating and design market for the Velcro fastener. ... Construction has begun on the Seton Hall University Law School in Newark, N.J., a building designed by The Eggers Partnership, New York City. The facility will house lecture rooms, moot court, law review suite, legislative services room, seminar/legal writing room, and library. R. Jackson Smith, Partner-in-Charge, has stated that many constructionexpediting techniques, including critical path scheduling, are being employed in an effort to make the building operational as soon as possible. ... PPM Design Associates, Inc. of Calumet City, Ill. has been retained by the Roper Corp., Kankakee, Ill., to design interiors of Roper's corporate offices in Kankakee. The project, totalling approximately 50,000 sq. ft., will be coordinated by William and Betty Jo Purvis. ... Helene Weissner Designs, Inc., Miami, will design the interiors for Racquet Club, Saddle Club, Sales Pavillion, and ten models of the Bonaventure complex in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. The firm has been retained by the Sadkin-Gaines organization, in association with Mike Douglas. ... Raytheon Historical Foundation Corp. has named White Oak Design, Inc. of Brookline, Mass., to design and produce the dramatic reenactment of the Battle of Bunker Hill. The presentation will be incorporated in a theater-museum to be constructed adjacent to the berth of the U.S.S. Constitution in Charlestown, Mass.

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Interior planning/design department of HOK (Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum/Architects), St. Louis, has become a separate subsidiary of the parent organization. Called Interior Architecture, Inc. (InterArc), the group of 20 interior designers will work closely with HOK architects. InterArc will also work with clients not associated with HOK projects.

Richard C. Ellsworth and John A. Moeller, Vice Presidents and Group Executives at Cosco, Inc., have been given broader corporate responsibilities. Ellsworth will oversee and direct operation of Cosco's most recently acquired division, Stellad Products, Inc., an Indianapolis-based compounder and marketer of household products. Moeller is now responsible for the operations of Sunset Lamp Corp. and will continue to assume responsibilities for Tyndale Inc., another lamp manufacturing subsidiary.

Robert M. Gilason has been named President of Howell Co., home furnishings division of Interlake, Inc. Responsibilities will include direction of manufacturing and marketing operations for Howell's home and leisure furniture lines.



The formation of a new company and appointment of its president was recently announced by Dayco Corp. Dayco Carpet Cushion Co., newly formed subsidiary, will be headed by Henry D. Albert, former Vice President, Marketing for Allen Industries, Inc., another Dayco subsidiary. The Carpet Cushion Co. will be composed primarily of personnel and facilities from the Allen division. Initial plans call for expansion of foam product lines to match current production of sponge carpet cushion.

Rick Allen has been named to fill the newly created position of National Sales Manager for Eppinger Furniture. He will headquarter in Eppinger's New York corporate offices and will oversee total coordination of national sales efforts along with supervision of Eppinger's sales force and distributor activities.

Randall Myers assumes responsibility for Welton Beck & Associates' 15-man Los Angeles office following appointment as Vice President, Assistant Director of Design (Interiors). Prior to this promotion Myers served 15 years as Senior Project Designer, with such projects as Greatamerica Corp., Dallas, and Hartford National Bank to his credit.

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CONTRACT WORLD: PEOPLE / NEWS

Design Group, a professional consultation service, has been formed by Robert L. Nichol, NSID, and Jack L. Hillman. The newly established firm is multidisciplinary to facilitate a team dynamics-problem solving approach in the areas of interior design and space planning, product design and development, and graphic design. Initial commissions include a 100-bed nursing facility, a hospital-surgical addition, several corporate graphic programs.

Virginia Pinnell has joined Hudson's Contract Div. in the position of Commercial & Contract Designs Director. Prior to this appointment, Ms. Pinnell served as Director of Interior Design for Giffels & Associates.

James Stewart has been promoted from General Merchandise Director to Vice President, Merchandising for Syroco. His responsibilities will continue to be in the areas of product development, sales promotion and forecasting, pricing and market analysis.



Louis Russi has been appointed Executive Vice President for Classic Wallcoverings Connoisseur, Inc. Russi, who has been with the firm since its inception six years ago, has more than 30 years' experience in the wallcoverings industry in both the United States and Europe.

Hercules Inc. announces promotion of Charles Trayford III to Merchandising Manager, Home Furnishings Div., Polymers Dept. In his new position Trayford will be responsible for all merchandising activities in both the carpet and upholstery markets.

Randall K. Davis, Executive Vice President of Davis Furniture Industries Inc., has retained the New York consultant/design firm of Robert Bernard Associates to design a collection of desks, office chairs, lounge seating and tables. The program marks the beginning of new product and marketing plans for the Davis Desk division.

Karl H. Freyer has joined Scott Plastics Co. in the capacity of Marketing & Administration. His duties will include market definition and programs, general sales and administrative responsibilities.

Promotions at Stow/Davis include: Joseph R. Viglione, appointed National Sales Manager following two years as director of Chicago area sales; Patricia A. Russell, new Chicago Regional Manager after three years experience as District Sales Representative; Robert W. Envall, as Southeastern Regional Manager with three years prior sales experience in the firm's Chicago office.

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COMING EVENTS

1974

- November 11-13. Annual Meeting, National Electrical Manufacturers Association. Hyatt Regency O'Hare, Chicago.
 November 11-14. 59th International Hotel & Motel Educational Ex-
- November 11-14. 59th International Hotel & Motel Educational Exposition. New York Coliseum, New York.
- November 21-22. Administrative Management Society Symposium. Marriot Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.
- November 23. Resources Council Educational Seminar & Luncheon. New York Hilton, New York.
- December 3-6. AH&MA Annual Convention. Caribe Hilton, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

December 5-6. Conference on Designing with Plastics, Miami Beach, December 16-20. Fundamentals of Plastics Seminar. Barbizon Plaza

Hotel, New York.

1975

- January 5-10. Chicago National Floor Covering Market. Merchandise Mart, Chicago.
- January 5-10. Chicago Home Furnishings Market and Lamp Show. American Mart, Chicago.
- January 10-13. Combined Winter Floorcovering Market. Los Angeles Home Furnishings Mart, Los Angeles.
- January 12-14. Dallas Winter Market. Home Furnishings Market.
- January 12-15. Lamp and Homefurnishings Show. New York Merchandise Mart, New York.
- January 12-17. New York Home Furnishings Market.
- January 12-17. Lighting Accessories Show. 230 Fifth Ave., New York.
- January 12-17. Winter Market Week. Los Angeles Home Furnishings Mart, Los Angeles.
- January 13-16. Southern Furniture Mart. High Point, N.C.
- January 13-17. New York Floor Covering Show. Carpet Center, Market Buildings, New York.
- January 13-17. New York Lamp Show. Statler-Hilton Hotel.
- January 15-17. Dallas Contract Show, Dallas Market Center.
- January 19-24. San Francisco Winter Home Furnishings Market. Western Merchandise Mart, San Francisco.
- January 20-24. Atlanta Home Furnishings and Floor Covering Market. Merchandise Mart, Atlanta.
- February 1-3. Winter Market. Denver Home Furnishings Mart, Denver.
- February 6-8. IBD Student Rally. High Point, N.C.
- February 9-13. Executive Management Seminar, National Office Products Association, Wigwam, Phoenix, Ariz.
- February 11-13. Second Annual Contract Marketplace-New York. Americana Hotel, New York.
- February 21-24. American Association of School Administrators Convention. Dallas Convention Center, Dallas.
- March 5-8. National Association of Floor Covering Installers Annual Conference & Education Trade Show. Fairmont Colony Square Hotel, Atlanta.
- April 10-13. Second Annual Home & Leisure Living Show. International Convention Center, Niagara Falls, N.Y.
- June 15-17. Summer Homefurnishings Market. Chicago.
- June 18-20. NEOCON 7. The Merchandise Mart, Chicago.

July 6-18. California Contract Show. Western Merchandise Mart, San Francisco.

July 13-15. California Homefurnishings Market. Western Merchandise Mart, San Francisco.

Foreign Trade Shows 1974-1975

- November 5-7. National Interior Design Show. Exhibition Park, Toronto.
- January 15-20. Paris International Lighting Exhibition. Parc Des Expositions, Porte de Versailles.
- January 16-20. Paris International Carpet Exhibition. Parc des Expositions, Porte de Versailles.
- January 18-22. Luxpo Copenhagen '75. Bella Centret Mart Building, Copenhagen.
- May 30-June 3. Annual Convention International Home Furnishings Representatives Association. Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal.

June 15-19. Montreal Furniture Market. Place Bonaventure, Palais du Commerce, Montreal.

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OFFICE DESIGN FIRST, BANK VOLUME INCREASES IN SECOND DESIGNER SURVEY

Forty-seven respondents to CONTRACT's annual designer "inventory" account for more than 36.5 million square feet of designed space through July 1974.

This second "inventory" of commercial and institutional designer/specifiers produced by CONTRACT once again spans the broad spectrum of those who create, articulate, and make workable living spaces beyond the home. The 47 respondents to our "Who Are You?" questionnaire consist of 21 interior design firms, 11 architectural firms (including one in-house architectural company), 10 contract furnishers, and five in-house designers.

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They represent firms in all parts of the United States, together accounting for 34,255,000 square feet of planned space and 36,778,000 square feet of designed space through a 12-month period ending July 1974. This breaks down to an annual average of 815,643 square feet planned, and 855,300 square feet designed per company.

Of the 47 respondents, 33 firms, or 70 percent, are involved in office design; 31 firms, or 68 percent, in hotel/motel/restaurant design; 19 firms, or 40 percent, in banks; 16 firms, or 34 percent, in stores; 11 firms, or 23 percent, in hospitals; and lesser numbers and percentages in such projects as nursing homes, condominiums, religious institutions, libraries, showrooms, museums, schools, and government facilities.

Notable is the fact that nine of these firms, or 19 percent of those included, do some work overseas.

Twenty-two of them reported memberships in American Institute of Interior Designers; 15 in Institute of Business Designers; 13 in American Institute of Architects; 11 in National Society of Interior Designers; and others in a diverse listing of organizations ranging from Contract Furnishings Council to Illuminating Engineering Society. It should be noted that this inventory of designers is by no means a statistically accurate compilation, although the figures are revealing. The fact that an average of 14 years in business for the group was arrived at mathematically can not differentiate either the firm that has been in business for 75 years, nor the fledgling firm that is but one year old. An average, after all, is an average. The same is true in the average number of total employees, as well as those restricted to design; the figures being 31 and 11, respectively.

Eighteen of the group did some residential work, generally in the one to five percent range. Most commercial/institutional design companies get involved with residential design only as an accommodation to the chairman of the board or president of the company for whom they are doing design work, because the executive likes the feel of their commercial work. There are, of course, exceptions, where the percentages of residential commissions are higher, but they are rare birds.

Remuneration charged by the companies span the gamut of fee structures and then some. CONTRACT's editors are confident that there are fee methods and combinations yet to be discovered that have not been reported here.

If you have not been included in either this or the previous designer "inventory" and would like to be in a future issue, simply write "future" on the "Dear Editor" card bound in this issue and mail it to us. We will then contact you at an appropriate time.

In the interim, we hope that you will find this compilation useful as well as illuminating. —THE EDITORS

Bank, overseas commissions increase



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Interior design dept. of contract and consulting arm of American Hospital Supply.

BRANCHES: New Brunswick, N.J.; Atlanta; Arlington, Tex.; San Mateo, Calif.

KEY PERSONNEL: Jerome J. Seavey, Interior Design Product Mgr., General Office. Interior designers, branch offices: Chuck Thompson, Julie Allen, James Mincey, George Vanderhoef, Jeannine Lindstrom, Earl Herring, Carol Krewson, Carol Antle, Linda Harrell. Total employees all divisions/branches: 202; interior design 10.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: N/A.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: IBD, AID.

FEES: N/A.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 3.5 million sq. ft. space planned; 5 million sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Hospital 85%. Nursing Home 5%. Other health facilities 10%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: U.S. and abroad.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Billaview Community Hospital, San Diego. Martha's Vineyard (Mass.) Hospital. Laredo (Tex.) Health Center. Nemazee Hospital, Shiraz, Iran. King Faisal Specialist Hospital, Saudi Arabia.

ANDERSON FOCUSES ON STORES, SHOWROOMS

RAY ANDERSON UNLIMITED., P.O. Box 31331, 11333 N. Central Expwy. 117, Dallas, Tex.75231. 214/368-7083.

KEY PERSONNEL: Ray A.P. Anderson, Owner/Pres./Designer. Tunkin Green, Asst. to Anderson. Linda Frank, Office Mgr. Jonathan Frank, Head/Order Dept. Total employees: 9.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 4.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: NSID, IDG, IBD, NHFA, CEC.

FEES: Depends on sq. ft. and amount of work involved.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 170,000 sq. ft.

DESIGN AREAS: Furniture Stores 90%. Showrooms 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Northeast 40%. Mid-Atlantic 15%. Midwest 15%. Local 10%. Southeast 10%. Canada, Alaska, Hawaii 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Bruce's store design/planning, 29,000 sq. ft. Homestead House, store design/planning, 27,750 sq. ft. Myer Frank, store design/planning, 40,000 sq. ft. Crestline, showroom design, 6,200 sq. ft.

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Designer Profiles

Contract furnisher with interior design dept.

KEY PERSONNEL: Herman Berger, Pres. Martin Berger, Secy./Treas. Michael Berger, Ben Scharf, Executives. Suzanne M. Nash, Interior Designer. Total employees: 29. interior design dept. 1. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 50.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: National Homebuilders Assoc.

FEES: Flat fee if no furnishings purchased; otherwise included in sale.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 150,000 sq. ft. designed and planned.

DESIGN AREAS: All contract 85%. Residential 15%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local (100 mi. radius): 100%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Specification & supply for: Wilmington Savings Fund, First Pennsylvania Leasing, Wilmington Medical Center, New Castle County, F.D.I. Securities, First National Bank, First Federal Savings & Loan.

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Interior design/architecture consultant to all divisions of Martin Marietta Corp.

BRANCH: Frederick, Md.

KEY PERSONNEL: Harold B. Cahn, Owner/Designer. Eleanor V. Belenica, Mary Cahn. Total employees: 3 (plus 7 temporaries).

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 37.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, IES, N.Y. Ltg. Forum, ISCC.

FEES: Combination fee/percentage.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 500,000 sq. ft. space planned; 300,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 85%. Restaurant 10%. Residential 5%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Throughout U.S. AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Martin Marietta Corp. and Bunker Ramo Corp., all interior architecture/design. Western Electric, consultant on cafeteria areas.

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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, IBD, ISP.

FEES: Cost-plus or hourly, or both.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 386,600 sq. ft.

DESIGN AREAS: Hospital 30%, Office 25%. Institutional 15%. Educational 15%. Residential 15%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 75%. Midwest 15%. Mid-Atlantic 5%. Southwest 5%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Northwestern Univ. dorms, offices, classrooms, 200,000 sq. ft. Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Northwestern Psychiatric Institute, Northwestern Univ., 124,000 sq. ft. Westlake Hospital lobbies, cafeteria, 12,000 sq. ft.

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YEARS IN BUSINESS: 3.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID,

National Historical Preservation Society. FEES: Profit from furniture supplies; hourly fee plus expenses for consultation.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 80,000 sq. ft. space planned; 100,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 75%. Banks 20%. Residential 5%

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 95% Mid-Atlantic 5%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: American Institutes for Research, carpet design & furnishings, 40,000 sq. ft. American Security & Trust, space planning & products, 2,500 sq. ft. and executive offices 1,000 sq. ft. Research Homes, space planning consultation, 15,000 sq. ft. Emploi Internationale, designing, selling new offices, 5000 sq. ft.

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KEY PERSONNEL: Arthur Auerbach, Pres. Sheldon Gorland, VP. Nick Lambros, Design Dir. Total employees: 14; design dept. 4.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 21/2.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, AID, NSID. FEES: N/A.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 250,000 sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office, Banks. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 100%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS:

Garfinckel's Dept. Store, corporate HQ, interior design. Allegheny Airlines, intnl. marketing office HQ. Ford Development Corp., space planning of building, shopping arcade. City of Rockville, Md., space utilization study.

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KEY PERSONNEL: Judith E. Brett, Owner/Designer. Michele R. Smith, Owner. Joe Kuhn, Designer. Total employees: 4.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 2.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: IBD. FEES: Straight fee, hourly, and cost plus percentage.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 131,000 sq. ft. space planned. 67,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 65%.Restaurant 10%. Banks 8%. Educational 5%. Residential 2%. Other: spec homes, apartments/condominiums.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: N/A.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Winewood Companies, design/specify/ furnish, 100,000 sq. ft. Florida Federal Savings & Loan, complete design/ furnish, 5,000 sq. ft. F.S.U., Interior Design Dept., open office landscape, 2,000 sq. ft. Koger Executive Center, specify/design, 15,000 sq. ft. Advent Christian Home, interior furnishings, 10,000 sq. ft.



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DESIGNS UNLIMITED OF FLORIDA, INC. 3495 Fifth Ave. N., St. Petersburg, Fla. 33713. 813/898-6741. Therior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: J. Garth Caldwell, Pres. F. Robert Fritz, VP. Designers: Ray MacNicol, William Glover, Robert Belcher. Total employees: 7.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 16.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: IBD. FEES: Design fee plus percentage of furnishings cost.

VOLUME (JULY '73-4): 560,000 sq. ft. space planned; 500,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Banks 60%. Office 20%. Store 5%. Haspital 5%. Residential 5%. Other 5%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 80%. Northeast 10%. Southwest 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Community Bank of Florida, new facilities 55,000 sq. ft. St. Petersburg Federal S&L offices, 40,000 sq. ft. City of Pinellas Park, city hall, 33,000 sq. ft. Tarpan Woods, country club, 15,000 sq. ft.

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KEY PERSONNEL: Wm. L. Wilkoff, AID, IBD, owner. Paula C. Wilkoff, Evalyn B. Winters. Total employees: N/A. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 22.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID,

FEES: Hourly/cost-plus or square footage. VOLUME (July '73-4): 95,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Store 50%. Office 25%. Institutional 25%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 80%. Other 20%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Aero Enterprises, Dulles, Philadelphia, Miami Airports, 6,432 sq. ft. National Childrens Center, residence, offices, gym, 55,000 sq. ft. and natatorium, 78,810 sq. ft. Watergate, Les Champs Mall, 6,500 sq. ft. Howard Univ. book store, 2,880 sq. ft.

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* Interior design firm.

BRANCHES: New York, N.Y.; London, England.

KEY PERSONNEL: Henry End, Pres. Guy Norman, Exec. VP. Phillip Weiss, Design Dir./Miami. James Doctor, Design Dir./London. Total employees all branches: 23.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 25.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, IBD, NSID.

FEES: Flat fee and/or hourly wage schedule.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 300,000 sq. ft. space planned; 1.5 million sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Hotel/Motel 60%. Office 15%. Restaurant 15%. Residential 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Abroad 50%. Midwest 15%. Northeast 15%. Southeast 10%. Local 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Hyatt Intl. Corp., Hotel. Alexander Muss & Sons, condominium. Hornblower, Weeks Hemphill & Noyes, brokerage office. MG Investments, office building developer. Hornset, Yoles, Luces/ Horry End Assoc.



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F.C. RESTAURANT WANTS TO REMAIN ONE-MAN OFFICE

F. C. RESTAURANT DESIGNS, 14 Lakeview Ave., Florham Park, N.J. 07932. 201/377-8585.

★ Interior design firm/restaurant consultant.

KEY PERSONNEL: Francesco Conte, Owner/Designer. Total employees: 1 (according to Conte, "I shall remain a one-man operation as long as I can.") YEARS IN BUSINESS: 2¹/₂.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: N.J. Restaurant Assoc.

FEES: Flat fee or square foot.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 35,000 sq. ft. space planned; 25,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Restaurant 100%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 90%. Northeast 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Seven

Star Restaurant Corp., total design service, 8,500 sq. ft. Panagiotou Inc., total design service, 3,500 sq. ft. Ernie Ladas, Inc., total design service, 2,000 sq. ft.

4 GENSLER OFFICES COVER 2.3 MIL. SQ. FT.

M. ARTHUR GENSLER JR. & AS-SOCIATES, INC., 222 Hearst Bldg., Third & Market Sts., San Francisco, Calif. 94103. 415/433-3700.

 Architecture firm with interiors dept.
 BRANCHES: Houston, Phoenix, Denver.
 KEY PERSONNEL: M. Arthur Gensler Jr., Pres. Margo Grant, VP/Interior Designer.
 H. D. Dunlop, Roslyn Singer Brandt, Associates/Interior Designers. Val Thornton, Senior Associate/Interior Designer. Total employees: 89; interior design 50.
 YEARS IN BUSINESS: 9.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, AID, IBD.

FEES: Hourly basis to pre-established maximum.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 2.3 million sq. ft. space planned & designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 85%. Restaurant 5%. Banks 5%. Government 3%. Residential 2%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local/West Coast 45%. Southwest 40%. Northwest 15%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Pennzoil Co., interior design, building design consultation, 350,000 sq. ft. First National Bank of Denver, interior design, bldg. design consultation, 425,000 sq. ft. Simpson Timber Co., space planning/interior design, 45,000 sq. ft. United Gas Pipeline, space planning/interior design, 255,000 sq. ft.

50% OF GERSTEL EFFORT IS CONTRACT

GERSTEL ASSOCIATES, INC., 969 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022. 212/753-7770.

*Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Thomas L. Nock, President/Designer. Alfred J. Wenzel, VP/Designer. Total employees: 5. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 25.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None.

FEES: Time, sq. ft., percent of gross. VOLUME (July '73-4): 54,000 sq. ft.

space planned (contract only); 48,000 sq. ft. space designed (contract only). **DESIGN AREAS:** Office 50%. Residential 50%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 100%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Columbia Pictures Ind., offices, 21,000 sq. ft. Standard Prudential Corp., offices, 5,000 sq. ft. Continental Ore Corp., offices, 12,000 sq. ft.

APARTMENTS, CONDOS ARE GIVEN AREA OF WORK

JUNE GIVEN ASSOCIATES, 3578 Parkmoor Village Dr., Colorado Springs, Col. 80907. 303/597-6137.

★ Interior design firm. BRANCH: Dillon, Col.

KEY PERSONNEL: June Given, AID. Rick Patterson. Total employees: 4. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 15.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID. FEES: Hourly; time estimate.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 385,000 sq. ft. space planned; 290,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Apartments, Townhouses, Mountain Condominiums, 100%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 60%. Midwest 10%. Mountains 30%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Levitt (ITT), multihousing, color coordination, models, 300,000 sq. ft. The Point, (Monument), sales office, 40,000 sq. ft. Beauty Academy, coordination, specify, 8,000 sq. ft. Obgyn Assoc., specify, color, coordination 4,000 sq. ft.

HEIMSATH VARIES JOBS FROM CABANAS TO CHAPEL

CLOVIS HEIMSATH ASSOCIATES INC., 1110 Lovett Blvd., Houston, Tex. 77006.

713/522-0770.

* Architecture/interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Clovis Heimsath, AIA, Pres. Joseph W. Santamaria, AIA, Exec. VP; Charles F. Stephens, AIA, VP. James B. Gaffney Jr., AIA, Senior Assoc., Dir./Design & Interiors. Henry Derwin Jr., Interior Designer. Total employees: 24; interiors division 2.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: N/A.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, TSA.

FEES: As set forth by AIA-TSA.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 250,000 sq. ft. space planned; 250,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Restaurant 35%. Hotel/Motel 30%. Office 15%. Library 10%. Religious 5%. Residential 5%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 95%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Horizon Corp., restaurant, cabanas, country club, condominiums, model homes, 100,000 sq. ft. Hydrotech, offices, 10,000 sq. ft. Church of the Epiphany, church, 24,000 sq. ft. Temple Emanu El, chapel, 10,000 sq. ft. St. Stephens School, library, 15,000 sq. ft.

HERMANOVSKI COMBINES GRAPHICS, SPACE PLANNING

HERMANOVSKI & ASSOCIATES, 3201 Turtle Creek Blvd., Dallas, Tex, 75219. 214/526-2506.

*Interior design/graphics firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Del Hermanovski, owner/designer; Carol Hermanovski, owner/designer; Sandi Layton, office mgr. Total employees: 6.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 10.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None. FEES: Hourly; small mark-up on furnishings.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 225,000 sq. ft. space planned; 150,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 65%. Residential 20%. Other 15%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 70%. Southwest 20%. West Coast 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: City of Dallas, graphics program for subsurface pedestrianways. City of Dallas, recreational center, 100,000 sq. ft. Henry C. Beck Co., corporate offices, 16,000 sq. ft. Garland Orthopedic Clinic, offices/ graphics, 14,000 sq. ft.



HOFFMANN/SAUR SPECIALIZES IN SCHOOLS

HOFFMAN/SAUR & ASSOCIATES, INC., 7777 Bonhomme Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 63105. 314/862-6363.

Architecture firm with interior design department.

KEY PERSONNEL: David Hoffmann, Louis R. Saur, Principals. Joseph Shepard, Exec. VP. Anthony DeMichele, Peter Ohlhausen, VPs. Pat Spector, Associate/Interior Designer. William Obrock, Jack Mosher, Associates. John Kelly, Dave Sanders, Paul Caine, Interior Designers. Total employees: 26; interiors 4. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 7

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, CEFP, SCUP, AASA.

FEES: Negotiated by job.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 745,000 sq. ft. interior space designed/planned.

DESIGN AREAS: Educational 60%. Hospital 20%. Office 10%. Library 5%. Museum 5%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Midwest 100%

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Parkway South High School, 260,000 sq. ft. Missouri Schools for Severely Handicapped 38,000 sq. ft. Estes Park High School, 90,000 sq. ft. University of Missouri, renovation, 16,000 sq. ft. Washington (Mo.) Jr./Sr. High School, 175,000 sq. ft. Holman Jr. High School, 175,000 sq. ft.

HUDSON'S CONTRACT TOTALS 2 MIL. SQ. FT.

HUDSON'S CONTRACT, Div. of J.L. Hudson Co., 1206 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich. 48226. 313/223-1341. Contract department of department store.

BRANCH: Grand Rapids, Mich.

KEY PERSONNEL: Marlin Pettit, Div. Mgr. Virginia Pinnell, AIA, Design Director. Karen Russo, NSID, Richard Portugall, Sr. Designers. Total employees: 88; interior design 12.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 33.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, NSID.

FEES: Hourly rate or percentage of furnishings.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 2 million sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 60%. Hotel/Motel 25%. Restaurant 5%. Banks, Hospital, Nursing Home, 10% combined.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 70%. Southeast 30%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Carlton Resort Inn, hotel, 275,000 sq. ft. Vlasic Foods Inc., office, 50,000 sq. ft. Calder Racetrack Holiday Inn, hotel public spaces, 35,000 sq. ft. Abitibi Corp., office renovation, 25,000 sq. ft.

ITT/SHERATON COUNTS 60 PROJECTS WORLDWIDE

ITT/SHERATON DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT, INC., 470 Atlantic Ave., Boston, Mass. 02167. 617/ 482-1250.

★In-house hotel/motel furnishing specifier/design.

BRANCHES: Rio de Janiero, Brazil; Paris, France.

KEY PERSONNEL: N.J. Glover, Exec. Dir. Ned Dixey, Asst. Dir. A. Rubinstein, Dir. of Design. Mary M. Kennedy, Consultant. Lynn McMurtry, Sr. Interior Designer. Total employees, all branches: 50.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 9.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, AID, NSID,

FEES: Percentage or time card.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 3 million sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Hotel/Motel. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Abroad 50%. Local 2-3%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Approx. 60 projects worldwide.





Del & Carol Hermanovski Hermanovski & Assoc

Pettit, Pinnell/Hudson's

INTERIOR DESIGN ADDS COLOR CONSULTATION

INTERIOR DESIGN SERVICES, 26 Yorkview Dr., Timonium, Md. 21093. 301/252-5642.

Interior design firm; color consultant.

KEY PERSONNEL: Blair L. Smith, Owner. Total employees: 2.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 31/2.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None. FEES: Fixed or hourly rate.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 416,000 sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office 37%. Hospital 20%. Institutional/Educational 20%. Banks 10%. Nursing Home 10%. Library 3%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 80%. Mid-Atlantic 20%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Peterson, Howell & Heather, offices, 112,000 sq. ft. Prince Geo. Dr's Hospital, colors & furnishings, 85,000 sq. ft. Towson State College, dorms 68,000 sq. ft. Baltimore Air Coil, office bldg., 61,000 sq. ft.

INTERIOR F.A. DESIGNS HUGH CELANESE H.Q.

INTERIOR FACILITIES ASSOCIATES INC., 592 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10036. 212/575-1488.

*Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Morton Glatstein, Pres. Robert J. Orlando, Exec. VP. John Perez, VP. L.P. Beveridge Jr., Dir. of Planning. Total employees: 12.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: One. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None.

FEES: N/A. VOLUME (July '73-4): 300,000 sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office 100%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 90%. Other 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Celanese, office planning/design. First National City Bank, office planning/design. Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, office planning/design, 30,000 sq. ft.

INTRASPACE FOCUS IS SOUTHEAST

INTRASPACE DESIGNERS, Div. of Reynolds, Smith & Hills, 4070 Blvd. Center Drive, Jacksonville, Fla. 32207. 904/396-3051.

★In-house interior design dept. BRANCH: Tallahassee, Fla.

KEY PERSONNEL: T.A. Woodruff, Assoc. VP. Total employees interiors: 6. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 3.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, AID, IBD.

FEES: Percentage; cost times multiplier. VOLUME (July '73-4): 650,000 sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office 60%. Banks 12%. Educational 8%. Hospital 5%. Institutional 5%. Hotel/Motel, Restaurant, Nursing Home, Library, Government, 2% each.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Southeast 70%. Local 30%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: N/A.





J/W PROJECTS VARY FROM RETAIL TO RECREATIONAL

J/W DESIGN ASSOCIATES, 1442 Burlingame Ave., Burlingame, Calif. 94010. 415/348-2400.

* Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Jack Donald E. Webb, Pres. James Oliver Krokee II, Dir./Design. Total employees: 5.

YEARS IN BUSINESS. 7

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: NSID. FEES: Fixed, cost-plus, hourly.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 80,000 sq. ft. space planned; 80,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Government 25%. Office 20%. Residential 20%. Banks 18%. Restaurant 10%. Store 7%. Hotel/Motel 5%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 90%. West Coast 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Foster City, City Government, recreational facilities, 20,000 sq. ft. American Savings, offices, 15,000 sq. ft. Bath World, retail planning/design, 2,000 sq. ft. Rusello & Rosenberg, interior design/exterior design (models), 6,000 sq. ft., plus 20 units.

LOCAL BANKS LEAD KIME CLIENT LIST

KAROL KIME INTERIORS, 3178 N. Republic Blvd., Toledo, Oh. 43615. 419/841-3314.

* Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Karol Kime, Owner/ Designer. L. Edward Kime, Admin./Arch. Consultant. Stacy Rolfe, Design Coordinator. Catherine Drechsler, Space Planner/Designer. Virginia DeGroff Frederiskson, Designer. Total employees: 6.

YEARS IN BUSINESS:, 10.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA prof. affil.

FEES: Hourly design fee and/or hourly with maximum.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 702,000 sq. ft.

DESIGN AREAS: Banks 55%. Office 25%. Restaurant 8%. Store 5%. Educational 4%. Institutional 2%. Hotel/Motel 1%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 70%. Midwest 26%. Southeast 2%. Southwest 2%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: First Federal S&L, Toledo, 50,000 sq. ft. Bank of Leipsic (Ohio), 6,000 sq. ft. Associated Cemetary Estates, 5,000 sq. ft. Citizens Banking Co./Sandusky, Ohio, 5,000 sq. ft.

HUGE N.Y.C. HQS ON LCP DESIGN ROSTER

LCP ASSOCIATES INC., 25 Tudor City Pl., New York, N.Y. 10017, 212/ 986-8550.

*Interior design firm.

BRANCH: LCP Boston, Melrose, Mass.

KEY PERSONNEL: William M. Leonard, Pres.; George Knoll, VP: Eugene D. Ruegamer, VP: Joe Lilli, Prod. Mgr.; Richard Siegel, Design Mgr.; Carl Mirbach, Chief Designer. Total employees all branches: 30.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 20.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None. FEES: Time; sq. footage; or percentage. VOLUME (July '73-4): 750,000 sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Offices 90%. Banks 5%. Store 5%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 85%. Other 15%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: General Reinsurance Life Corp., corporate HQ, 100,000 sq. ft. Amax, HQ, 100,000 sq. ft. Otis Elevator, HQ, 120,000 sq. ft. Citicorp, leasing dept., 30,000 sq. ft.



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MARKS DESIGN MIX ME CENTERS IN S.E. FU

MORTON MARKS & SONS INC., Main & 13 Sts. Richmond, Va. 23211. 804/643-6671.

* Design dept. of contract furnisher. KEY PERSONNEL: Herbert S. Marks,

Pres. Morton Marks Jr., Exec. VP/Treas. Merrill D. Marks, VP/Secy. Designers/Planners: Morton Marks Jr.; Rose Budowitz; Marilyn Okes; Michele Picou. Total employees; 27; design div. 5. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 36.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: IBD, AID.

FEES: Hourly or percentage of total furnishings contract.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 350,000 sq. ft. planned; 250,000 sq. ft. designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office, banks, hospital, library, institutional, educational, government.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Southeast 100%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: First & Merchants Natl. Bank, 50,000 sq. ft. Phillip Morris, exec. offices, 30,000 sq. ft. E.I. DuPont de Nemours, exec., genl. offices, 11,000 sq. ft. Kings Dominion, office facilities, 20,000 sq. ft.

MEEK JENSEN MILLER HAS FURNISHER SUBSIDIARY

MEEK JENSEN MILLER INC., 3311 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90010. 213/381-2151.

Interior design/architecture firm. Furniture Systems Corp., contract furnisher, is a subsidiary of MJM.

KEY PERSONNEL: William Meek, AID, Pres./Designer. Paul K. Jensen, AIA, VP/Designer. James V. Miller, AIA, VP/Designer. Robert Sorensen, Technical Dir. Designers: Joanne Beckham, Joyce Oishi, Jeannette Martin. Total employees: 12.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 4.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, AIA.

FEES: Hourly; square footage; or flat design fee.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 330,000 sq. ft. space planned; 625,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 75%. Banks 13%. Institutional 1%. Government 1%. Other 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: West Coast 90%. Countrywide 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Sitmar Cruises, design, 25,000 sq. ft. Mariners Savings & Loan, archicture/design for 3 branches, 17,000 sq. ft. Nobili Hall, U. of Santa Clara, design, 55,000 sq. ft. Arthur Andersen & Co., design/remodel, 75,000 sq. ft.

HOSPITALS, GRAPHICS ARE MAJOR MITCHELL FIELDS

MITCHELL ASSOCIATES DESIGN CONSULTANTS, 45 Independence Mall, 1601 Concord Pike, Wilmington, Del. 19803. 302/658-7591.

Interior design/graphics firm; hospital consultant.

KEY PERSONNEL: Donald P. Mitchell, Pres. Louis B. Rosenberg, Design Dir. Designers: James F. Barndt, Carol A. Johnson, Mary Jo Tanis, Bettie Sue Cambre, Lynn Harper, R. Timothy Welsh, William Endicott, Rebecca J. Bubb, Patty Stapleford, Roger Barrentine, Elizabeth J. Cullen, John Wagner. Total employees: 25

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 10.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, IBD, Interior Design Council (Philadelphia).

FEES: Fixed; percentage & flat rate not to exceed maximum; hourly; square footage. VOLUME (July '73-4): Excess of 1 million sq. ft.

DESIGN AREAS: Hospital 35%. Educational 20%. Institutional 15%. Office 10%. Banks 10%. Library 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Mid-Atlantic 80%. Local 10%. Northeast 5%. Midwest 5%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Scott Paper Co., interior design, 50,000 sq. ft. American Medicorp, Inc., design/ graphics. College of Medicine & Dentistry, design/graphics. Rutgers, State Univ, N.J., interior design.

BAR CENTER ON MOUNT CLIENT LIST

CHARLES MORRIS MOUNT & CO.,

536 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022. 212/838-0740.

* Interior design firm. BRANCH: West Hebron, N.Y.

KEY PERSONNEL: Charles Morris Mount, Owner/Designer. Daniel Rosenblatt, Designer. Total employees: 2.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 31/2.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None. FEES: Flat fee based on hourly rate not to exceed.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 40,000 sq. ft. space designed; 35,000 sq. ft. space planned.

DESIGN AREAS: Restaurant 40%. Store 30%. Banks 10%. Library 10%. Residential 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local, Northeast 50%. Southeast 25%. Southwest 25%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Arkansas Bar Center, interior design/ graphics, 12,000 sq. ft. Pulaski County Law Library, complete design, 12,000 sq. ft. Fiorello's Roman Cafe, interior design, 3,500 sq. ft.

MJM ARCHITECT IS HIGH ON INTERIORS

MURRAY JONES MURRAY INC., 23 W. Fourth St., Tulsa, Okla. 74103. 918/582-9247. * Architecture firm with interiors

dept.

KEY PERSONNEL: David G. Murray, Dir./Management. Robert Lawton Jones, Dir./Design & Design Partner, Lee C. Murray, Dir./Production-Construction. Jack McSorley, Design Assoc., Garth W. Caylor Jr., Design Assoc., Linda Nelson, Interior Designer. Steve C. Alter, Interior Architect. Total employees: 28; interior design 4.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 17.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, CSI. AID. FEES: Hourly, based on multiple of salary.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 400,000 sq. ft. space planned; 250,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Hospital 25%. Office 20%. Banks 15%. Hotel/Motel 10%. Restaurant 10%. Educational 10%. Store 5%. Residential 5%. Southwest 5%. AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: First Nat'l Bank of Tulsa, plan/design/tenant development, 410,000 sq. ft. Public Service Co., office planning/design, 40,000 sq. ft. Jane Phillips Hospital & Doctors Bldg., hospital facilities, doctors suites 60,000 sq. ft. Sun Oil Co., cafeteria renovation, 10,000 sq. ft.

NEUHAUS & TAYLOR HAS 20-PERSON DESIGN STAFF

NEUHAUS & TAYLOR ARCHITECTS & PLANNING CONSULTANTS, Sub. of Diversified Design Disciplines, 5051 Westheimer, Houston, Tex. 77027. 713/621-9400.

* Architecture firm with interiors dept.

BRANCHES: Dallas, Atlanta.

KEY PERSONNEL: C.R. Sikes Jr., Pres. Harwood Taylor, FAIA, Board Chrmn. & Dir. of Design. Benjamin E. Brewer Jr., Sr. VP & Dir. of Interiors/Graphics. Marcus R. Tucker, VP & Dir. of Int. Arch. C. David Kelly, Assoc. & Dir. of Graphics. Total employees: 125; interiors div. 20. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 5.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA.

FEES: Percentage cost, multiple of payroll, lump sum.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 3 million sq. ft.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 50%. Hotel 30%. Banks 10%. Shopping Centers & Multi-Use complexes 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: local/ Southwest/West 70%. Midwest 10%. Southeast 10%. Abroad 10%

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: P.I.C. Realty Div., hotel/office/retail 750,000 sq. ft. U.S.A.A. Insurance Co., 1 million sq. ft. Monumental Properties, shopping center mall area, 70,000 sq. ft. Gray Properties, hotel & office 300,000 sq. ft.

N.Y. TELEPHONE RINGS UP 1.8 MIL. SQ. FT. IN N.Y. STATE

N.Y. TELEPHONE, Buildings Engineering Dept., 2 Penn Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10001. 212/394-4030.

*In-house interiors department.

KEY PERSONNEL: Frank J. Rinciari, Supervising Engineer/Interior Design. I. Redey, M. Henry, L. Keir, J. Brassel, Facilities Assistants. Total design staff: 5

YEARS IN BUSINESS: N/A. FEES: Salaries.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 1.8 million sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office 100%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 60%.

Other N.Y. State 40%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Interior environmental design for: executive areas, administrative areas, operating rooms, service areas, business offices, general offices, garages, central office buildings.

PAHLMANN ON VAST **TEXAS A&M COMPLEX**

WILLIAM PAHLMANN ASSOCIATES

INC., 244 E. 84 St., New York, N.Y. 10028. 212/879-6138. >Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: William Pahlmann, Pres./Treas. A. Jack Commer, VP. Jennie A. Basiel, Secy. Total employees: 12.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 28.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID. FEES: Varies - fee basis; fee/hourly; retail, etc.

VOLUME (July '73-4): N/A. DESIGN AREAS: Educational 70%. Residential 30%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Southwest 80%. Local 20%

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Texas A&M Univ., several buildings and spaces.

RAMOS CREATES INTERIORS FOR OWN ARCHITECTURE

THE RAMOS GROUP/ARCHITECTS-PLANNERS, 1004 Baltimore, Kansas City, Mo. 64105. 816/421-0470.

*Architecture firm with interiors dept.

BRANCH: Caracas, Venezuela

KEY PERSONNEL: Chris P. Ramos, Pres. Jerry B. Baru, VP. Andre Toman, VP/Interior Designer. Dawn Dana, Interior Desigher. Total employees all branches: 45; interior design 2.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 25 .

FEES: Vary. Flat fee or percentage of construction.

VOLUME (July '73-4): Interiors of most architectural commissions.

DESIGN AREAS: Restaurant 30%. Store 30%. Office 20%. Banks 20%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Northeast 35%. Midwest 20%. Southeast 20%. Local 15%. Abroad 10%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS:

Copaken, White & Blitt, shopping center, 5 million sq. ft. American National Life, office remodeling, 2 million sq. ft. Citadel Bank, bank building, 16,000 sq. ft. Alpert Corp., planned community.



Some concentrate on specialty fields: office

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Shipley, Brent/ Shipley Associate

ROEDER ROSTER FOCUSES ON STORES

RICHARD ROEDER ASSOCIATES, INC., 1718 Lubbock St., Houston, Tex 77007. 713/222-1534.

* Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Richard C. Roeder, Pres./Chief Planner. Freda Wagman, VP. Charles Billingsley, VP/Chief Designer. James E. Murphy, Planning/Production Supervisor. Total employees: 14. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 8.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: ISP.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: ISP.

FEES: Dollars per sq. ft.; percentage; time and materials.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 1.2 million sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Store 95%. Restaurant 3%. Office 2%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Mid-Atlantic 50%. Local 25%. Southwest 25%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Federation Dept. Stores, 935,000 sq. ft. Belk Stores, 640,000 sq. ft. Leggett

Stores, 160,000 sq. ft

STORE DESIGN IS SHIPLEY SPECIALTY

THE SHIPLEY ASSOCIATES, 175 W. First Ave., Elmhurst, III. 60126. 312/ 279-1212.

* Interior design/architecture firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: R.W. Shipley, Pres. Frederick L. Schmidt, VP/Design. Arvid Carlsen, VP/Architecture. Elwood Brent, Genl. Mgr. Total employees: 24. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 9.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, ISP, IBD, AIA.

FEES: Cents per sq. ft.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 750,000 sq. ft. space planned; 1 million sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Store 90%. Restaurant 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 60%. Midwest 20%. Southeast 20%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Carson Pirie Scott & Co., planning/design/specs, 300,000 sq. ft. Mercantile Stores Co., design/specs, 280,000 sq. ft. Hart Schaffner & Marx, planning/design/specs, 30,000 sq. ft. Jewel Stores-Turnstyle, design/specs, 200,000 sq. ft.

SLATER CENTERS ON SUPPLY & SPECS

SLATER CO., 300 W. Hubbard, Chicago, III. 60610. 312/467-7100.

Contact furnisher with interior design department.

KEY PERSONNEL: John K. Becker, Pres. Milton I. Sabin, Exec. VP. W. Jean Walters, VP. Magda Rebitzer, NSID, Dir. of Design. Rosemary Corriere, Terri Hult, Karen Laird, Don Alderson, Kathy Savocchia, Design Staff. Total employees: 75; interior design 6.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 75.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: NSID. FEES: Design fee non-rebatable and installation, service.

VOLUME (July '73-4): N/A.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 70%. Banks 10%. Hospital, Nursing Home 10%. Library, Institutional 10%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 80%. Other 20%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: CNAF Center, supply/specifications. Standard Oil, supply/specifications. Alexian Bros. Hospital, supply/specifications. First National Bank, supply/specifications. Malden Mills National, design/specifications. Florsheim Shoes National, supply.





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STAFFELBACH DESIGNING HONEYWELL/DALLAS

ANDRE STAFFELBACH DESIGNS & AS-SOCIATES INC., 2531 Carlisle, Dallas, Tex. 75201. 214/747-2511.

* Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Andre Staffelbach, Pres./Designer. Olaf M. Harris, Assoc. Desig.ier, Larry Golden, Donna Vaughan, Gary Johnson, Phyllis Ransopher, designers. Total employees: 7.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 8. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, IBD, NSID.

FEES: Hourly; per sq. ft.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 200,000 sq. ft. space planned; 50,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 80%. Hotel/Motel 10%. Restaurant 5%. Store 4%. Residential 1%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 95%. Northeast 3%. Southwest 2%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Honeywell Co., Dallas, space planning, design of public areas, 200,000 sq. ft. Unit Corp., space planning, design of public areas, 350,000 sq. ft. Sheraton Hotels, re-design hotels.

YOUNG STARR FIRM KEEPS PRACTICE GENERAL

BARTON STARR DESIGN INC., 1132 W. Peachtree St. N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30309. 404/873-4601.

* Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Barton L. Starr, Owner/Pres., Principle Designer. Gwendolyn B. Bennett, Head Designer. Jr. Designers: Peggy G. Hardison, Linda S. Whitney. Total employees: 5.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 21/2.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: IBD. FEES: Both hourly and percentage cost of

project. VOLUME (July '73-4): 16,000 sq. ft.

space planned; 74,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office, Hotel/Motel, Restaurant, Banks, Store, Hospital, Educational.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Southeast 100%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Western Carolina Bank, interior design, 7,776 sq. ft. Asheville Civic Center, interior furnishings, 2,520 sq. ft. Realty Contractors Inc., interior design, 4,000 sq. ft. Salvation Army, interior furnishings/color, 18,000 sq. ft.

UDSTAD/DANDRIDGE DESIGNS FLORIDA BANK

UDSTAD/DANDRIDGE ASSOCIATES,

35 W. 53 St., New York, N.Y. 10019. 212/586-7840.

*Interior design firm.

KEY PERSONNEL: Sig Udstad, Partner/Interior Designer. George Dandrigde, Partner/Interior Designer. Total employees: 2.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: One.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None. FEES: Hourly based on sq. ft. plus 15% cost of job.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 155,000 sq. ft. space planned and designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 40%. Banks 40%. Restaurant 10%. Residential 10%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Northeast 60%. Southeast 40%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: American Federal Bank (Orlando, Fla.), complete interior architecture/interior design, 120,000 sq. ft. N. W. Ayer & Sons Inc., 40,000 sq. ft. Natomas Trading Co., 15,000 sq. ft.

UNITED DESIGN INCLUDES CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

UNITED DESIGN ASSOCIATES INC., 812 N. LaCienega Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. 213/657-4202.

Interior design/contract furnisher/color, lighting, graphics consultant/product design/general contractor.

KEY PERSONNEL: Jerome Zerg, Pres. Phyllis Hope, Secy./Treas. John Hart, Dir./Sales. Philip Koenig, Dir./Design. Total employees: 8.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 15.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: IBD, IES, AID.

FEES: Hourly, daily; flat fee based on sq. ft. or percentage of budget.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 1.5 million sq. ft. space planned; 650,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office; Hotel/Motel; Banks; Store; Institutional; Government; Residential; Factories.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 70%. West Coast 25%. Midwest 4%. Abroad 1%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Hilton Hotel Corp., design/space planning/construction, 180,000 sq. ft. U.S. Navy Offices, space planning/supply, 60,000 sq. ft. Fazio Markets, display design/spec/construction, 110,000 sq. ft. Chino State Correctional Institution, space plan/color/lighting, 30,000 sq. ft.

RESTAURANTS DOMINATE VAN ARD DESIGN WORK

THE VAN ARD CO. INC., 1325 Second Ave., New Hyde Park, N.Y. II040. 516/488-4242.

Contract furnisher with interior design dept.

KEY PERSONNEL: Bernard Shervan, Pres./Designer. Charles Klain, Exec. VP. Marvin J. Shervan, VP/Designer. Maryann Lafiteau, Chris Leder, Debra Moss, Designers. Total employees: 14. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 15.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: NSID. FEES: Fee for design purchase supervision. VOLUME (July '73'4): 1.5 million sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Restaurant 60%. Hotel/Motel 10%. Nursing Home 10%. Institutional 10%. Other 10%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 50%.

Northeast 50%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: N/A.

V.A. CONCENTRATES ON VETERAN HOSPITALS

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, Office of Construction, 811 Vermont Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20420. 202/389-2144. Design/specifying, branch of U.S. Government.

KEY PERSONNEL: Donald E. Johnson, Administrator of V.A. Viggo P. Miller, Asst. Admin., Construction. Majorie McC. Dickie, Supervisor/Color Design. Mary Elizabeth A. Boyd, Color Designer/Specs. Mrs. Barbara A. Cofield, Color Designer/Specs. Total employees, design: 3.

YEARS IN BUSINESS: N/A.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA, AID, NSID.

FEES: N/A.

VOLUME (July '73-4): N/A.

DESIGN AREAS: Government — hospitals 90%, nursing homes 9%, library 1%. PROJECT LOCATIONS: 167 stations in U.S. and Puerto Rico. AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: N/A.



Zerg/United Design Assoc.



Ruegamer, Leonard, Knoll/ LCP Assoc.

WALKER-GRAD LISTS 28 ON INTERIORS STAFF

WALKER-GRAD INC., 304 E. 45 St., New York, N.Y. 10017. 212/689-3013. * Architecture firm with interiors dept.

BRANCH: Newark, N.J.

KEY PERSONNEL: Kenneth Walker, Pres. Officers: Howard Grad, Bernard Grad, David Dibner, Kenneth Wheeler, Harry Mahler. Design staff: Raul Nunez, William Mattison, Nancy Klasen. Total employees: 120; interior design div. 28. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 5.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AIA. FEES: Percentage of cost or fee/sq. ft. VOLUME (July '73-4): 1.1 million sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office 50%. Store 50%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Northeast 35%. Southeast 30%. West Coast 30%. Abroad 5%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Prudential Insurance Co., office, 250,000 sq. ft. Firemans Fund, office, 150,000 sq. ft. Bullocks, store, 300,000 sq. ft. Burdines, store, 400,000 sq. ft.

MORE THAN HALF OF WESTERN IS OFFICE

WESTERN DESIGN ASSOCIATES, Sub of Western Contract Furnishers, 1725 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif. 94111. 415/788-1700.

Interior design department of contract furnisher.

BRANCHES: Oakland, San Jose, Sacramento.

KEY PERSONNEL: Rex O. Stevenson, Pres. Harry Saxe, Board Chrmn. Robert S. Blake, VP/Gen. Mgr. San Francisco. Helen Noakes, AID, Keith White, NSID, John Cleary, Jean Crawford, Designers. Total employees: 130; design dept. 26. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 18.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: AID, NSID, CFC.

FEES: Flat, hourly, percentage of job. VOLUME (July '73-4): 150,000 sq. ft. space planned; 365,000 sq. ft. space designed.

DESIGN AREAS: Office 55%. Banks 22%. Residential 10%. Institutional 5%. Educational 4%. Hotel/Motel, Store. Hospital, 1% each.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Local 75%. West Coast 20%. Northwest 5%. AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Confidential.

WESTERN ELECTRIC'S IN-HOUSE HITS MILLIONS

WESTERN ELECTRIC CO. INC., AT&T, 222 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10038. 212/571-3621.

¥In-house design division.

KEY PERSONNEL: Designers: Herb Bartling, Dan Elster. Total design staff: 2. YEARS IN BUSINESS: 10.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: None. FEES: Hourly rate.

VOLUME (July '73-4): 3-5 million sq. ft. DESIGN AREAS: Office 90%. Library 5%. Institutional 5%.

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Northeast 40%. Local 15%. Mid-Atlantic 10%. Midwest 10%. Southeast 10%. Southwest 5%. Northwest 5%. West Coast 5%.

AMONG CURRENT PROJECTS: Western Electric offices throughout U.S.



Staffelbach/ Andre Staffelbach Designs



Starr/Barton Starr Design Inc.

BANK DESIGN IS MORE OPEN, COLORFUL, AND PRIVATE

Color is everywhere in bank designs, together with a trend to open office design that still incorporates privacy where needed, both in banking transactions and officer consultations

While the trend to an open feeling in banks is nothing new, too much openness can leave the loan applicant feeling naked. In consequence, bank designers are exercising ingenuity in providing open layouts that retain, or at least give the feeling, of privacy for patrons.

Trellissed partitions, arced floor-to-ceiling partitions, and plants are some of the techniques being used by designers to suggest cocoonlike privacy in a design that really is wide open.

Design philosophies outlined by bank managements in many cases reflect a desire to retain a homeoffice suburban flavor in urban branch banks. Graphics, comfortable and plush waiting room furniture, and bright colors all combine to carry out such schemes. In the case of a Barclay's (of London) branch bank located on Park Avenue in New York, on the other hand, the effort was to add warmth to what normally is a more austere bank design than Londoners are used to when banking.

Counters are being broken up more frequently to provide customers with separate, cubiclelike segments in which their transactions are carried out in privacy. As in open plan office layouts, plants are being used with more frequency, both for the privacy they provide and for the outdoor ambience they impart.

Combinations of fluorescent and incandescent lighting are being used to infuse high levels of light where needed, with accent shadow to soften the architectural ambience of the space.

Flooring pragmatics, in some cases, have prompted designers to incorprate both carpet and strips of tile along heavily trafficked areas in front of teller positions.

Richer textured upholstery fabrics in stripes and geometrics are making their way into public bank areas to provide a more homelike warmth. **■ L.C.**





CUBICLES OFFER PRIVACY

Privacy during the banking transaction was paramount in the design of the counter area at First Pacific Bank, Chicago, where I S D Incorporated, Chicago, provided individual transaction areas for bank patrons. Reflecting in its design the Japanese origin of the bank, the interior incorporates a quiet, dignified look, Japanese graphics, and orderliness. Carpet is Lees Design VI; desks, Lehigh; chairs, Knoll; draperies, Butler; counter and checkwriting stands, Hartmann-Sanders. To de-emphasize the long narrow space, a beamed ceiling of painted extruded aluminum members running across the space was designed with standard fluorescent light fixture fittings in the grid.





PLANTERS PROVIDE PRIVACY

This platform area (right), away from teller counters, at Barclay's Bank, Park Avenue, New York, provides feeling of privacy with curved planter partitions. Desk is by Harvey Probber, white plastic tub chairs by Moreddi, Pollack chairs from Knoll, drapery fabric by Design-Tex-a departure from more austere feeling in many English banks. Creative Woodworking fabricated the planters. Arced floor-to-ceiling partition with sculpture by Herbert A. Feuerlicht separates office area. Carpet is by Jack Graham Carpet Co. Plush comfort in waiting area (above) is provided by four Moreddi tub chairs and Probber sofa and coffee table. Arced floor-to-ceiling screen provides privacy for offices behind it and backdrop to show off live trees, while lending a touch of elegance.



OFFICE-TYPE OPEN PLAN IN BANK

One of six executive Action Office workstations in the Mortgage and Loan Department of Schenectady (N.Y.) Savings Bank, is shown here. The units and the Eames executive table and aluminum group chairs are all from Herman Miller, with the space designed by Cori Martin of Benche, Inc., a Schenectady furniture dealer. Since the six workstations are arranged in an oval and customers face inward to the executive, privacy is assured for customers, despite the open plan.

Privacy not sacrificed by open plans



TOUCH OF LONG ISLAND IN NYC

Central Federal Savings & Loan, Madison Ave., New York, is a first-time branch venture in the heart of the city by a Long Island-based bank, which sought to create an image of suburban ease in an urban hurry. Interior designer Jack Lowery of Jack Lowery & Associates, worked with Ralph E. Leff, AIA, architect to provide a smooth, well lighted, contemporary interior that separates public space on the first floor from private office spaces on the second by a spiral staircase. Desks and file cabinets are by Sunar Specs; sofa by Pace; side and executive chairs by Scope, ash urns by Peter Pepper; circular check desks and counter by Juno Woodworking, custom designed by Jack Lowery. Wall hangings designed by Lowrey through Karl Mann Associates. Carpeting throughout by Gulistan. Mezzanine area (right) incorporates coffee table by Intrex and seating group by Eppinger, with acrylic painting by Joe Rapp. Combined use of fluorescents and incandescents (Neo-Ray Lighting systems) provides shadow where needed to soften the look.





FABRICS PROVIDE SUNBURST COLORS

The Bank of London & South America (BOLSA) in Medellin, Colombia, S.A., was designed by Richard N. Taylor, vice president of international design of The H. Chambers Co. of Baltimore, Md., with the office of Chambers, Ltda., of Bogota, Colombia. It incorporates beautiful, striking colors in handwoven fabrics that are sewn together in a sunburst of red, magenta, plum, orange, and white. Most sources are from Colombia, a governmental edict, with many of the furniture pieces custom designed with native labor. Ceiling combines walnut and Plexiglas; floor is off-white terrazzo.



GLASS WALLS OPEN INTERIORS

Design of Peoples Savings Bank, Worcester, Mass., by I S D Inc., Boston, utilizes glass walls to provide an open feeling within closed space, although offices shown here do not have doors. A comprehensive art program, utilizing 40 paintings by Worcester native Stephen Knapp, is aided in visibility by the glass walls, shown here in the bank's Mortgage Department. Furniture is Steelcase; accessories are McDonald/Duk-It; Plants by The Greenery; planters by Placet; carpet by Alexander Smith.



OPEN PRIVACY IS ANOTHER STRIPE

An exciting composition of interior architectural elements, furnishings, and accessories is brought together in this unusual reception space at First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Miami. Designed by Lloyd Gross, AID, of Richard Plumer Interior Design, Miami, the bank employs an open office concept, retaining separation of areas, without sacrificing the open feeling. Overhead, continuous light troffers punctuate the vaulted ceiling.



DINE UNDER THE LIGHTS

Main dining room on the 41st floor of the First National Bank & Trust Company of Tulsa, Okla., provides a warm ambiance with contemporary lighting by Lightolier, wall panels and upholstery by Boris Kroll, and tufted wool carpet by V'Soske. Tables are in English brown oak and bronze base by Helikon, with chairs by Intrex also in oak frame. Floor to ceiling draperies are by Prouty Designs. Planters and graphics add another element of elegance to the dining room. Interior design is by I S D Inc., Chicago. Banks devote 24 percent of floor space to public areas, 17 percent to officer platforms, 15 percent to teller booths, according to a recent contract market and economic survey

BANK FURNISHINGS COMBINE VALUES OF LASTING QUALITY AND HIGH DESIGN FLEXIBILITY

Opulence and affluence are the images reflected in banking circles these days, and the long-gone caged teller facility has its place only in the current rash of Bonnie and Clydetype films and in the archives of designs past.

The vaulted institutional look has been replaced with contemporary architecture and complementary interior spaces. Furnishings have long-lasting qualities and high design sophistication, deep-seated comfort and functional practicality—combinations of values that both bankers and designers seek for current projects, for both new and refurbished banks throughout the country.

Where in the banking world do these furnishings go? Perhaps for the first time, an analytical study on the distribution of floor space was recently conducted, part of a comprehensive contract market and economic survey by Smith, Stanley & Co. The report offers the following figures: Public areas 23%; Officer Platforms 17%; Teller Booths 15%; Conference Rooms 10%; Workrooms 18%; Restrooms 2%; Vaults 4%; Service Areas 11%.

These, of course, are averages of those facilities covered in the Smith, Stanley Report^{*}, but this breakdown serves better than previous rules-of-thumb for designers ready to take on their first bank jobs.

*For other details on the Smith, Stanley Report and information on its availability, see item in Contract World section in this issue.



A — Check-writing stand from Tulip, Inc. is available in 2-station or 4-station standard sizes. Cabinet may be obtained in any combination of high-pressure laminate finishes, with metal base in either mirror stainless chrome or hand-rubbed bronze. Dimensions are 60-in. width, 24-in. depth, 40-in. height. Circle No. 218.

depth, 40-in. height. Circle No. 218. **B** – A total of 900 Specialty Series Data Desks, from **Systems Furniture Co.**, were installed in a Los Angeles bank's data entry stations. A variety of widths and heights, options for cable cutouts and ducts, and desk drawers facilitate functional design. Fully adjustable posture chairs, specially designed for this application, are also available. Circle No. 219.

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C – Cramer Industries' machine tables come in 28 sizes (matching almost any desk height), choice of walnut, teak, white. Cantilever frame is crafted entirely of steel, and all corner joints are welded, giving the product both strength and modern design. Edges and corners are slightly eased with chamfer to minimize bruising and cutting. Circle No. 220. D – Sunar Ltd. has added a

D-Sunar Ltd. has added a portable filing and storage module to complement its All Systems furniture grouping. The modular pedestal comes in three different sizes, with drawers attached by concealed connecting bolts. Pedestal is topped with cover plate that comes with a standard locking unit, and a base which rolls on globular casters. Circle No. 221.





Comfort seats stressed for officer platforms

A — Ideal for the open-plan bank, Eppinger Furniture's TRM system incorporates workstation unit, lateral filing system, fold-down desk, and utility panel. All components are within arm's reach, with small matching conference table and chairs completing the arrangement. Circle No. 222.

B – Designed by John Nance, J.G. **Furniture's** Block End Desk features light-weight panel construction, architectural appearance, white, book-matched rift oak, and is finished in natural or medium PVC. Panels are separated by polished aluminum reveal strips, with credenzas and returns available to match. Circle No. 223.

C – For limited space, Howe Furniture introduces the 1600 Series Flip-Top Table, which folds into less than 4 inches of space for easy storage. Available with round, square, rectangular, or trapezoidal tops, tables nest when folded for additional space. Butcher block, wood veneers, and plastic laminates may be specified as surface material, with edges in choice of bull-nosed vinyl, solid walnut molding, or self-edging. Circle No. 224.











D – Part of **Cole's** Posture Five Star Seating Group, model 2603WO comes standard with chrome swivel frame and double wheel casters. Removable seat and back covers are of pure wool, in choice of orange, blue, seaweed, or charcoal colors. Circle No. 225.

E—Check-writing stand is made of precast resinous terrazzo composed of imported Botticino Marble and white onyx chips in buff matric with honed finish. The material, from **Three/Eights, Inc.**, is architecturally modern, functional, and features easy maintenance. Piece was crafted for Glenview State Bank, Glenview, Ill., and installed by Contract Interiors for Business, Chicago. Circle No. 226.

F – The Octa Cube Desk was designed by Bob Becker for Helikon Furniture. Offered in a variety of dimensions, with matching credenzas. An assortment of woods, finishes, and bases includes: oiled walnut with oiled walnut frame; rosewood with ebonized walnut frame; elm burl with walnut frame. Bases are polished stainless steel or bronze; tops are leather or vinyl. Circle No. 227. G – Edward Axel Roffman's R-2500 Series Desk line (matching credenza shown here) features choice of sizes, drawer arrangements, and credenza combinations. A variety of finishes includes natural ash, stain and SKM, walnut, oak on ash frame; linseed oil or laquer on walnut frame. Circle No. 228.

H – Part of **Heibert's** Interpanel system, this workstation is totally adjustable, requiring no special skill to disassemble and reassemble. Hidden jointure is patent-pending, with wires, brackets, channels buried in reveals. Panels are all flush, and can be ordered in veneer, laminate, vinyl, fabric, oak, walnut, acoustical tile. Circle No. 229.

I – Steelcase Series 9000 component shares telephone and small computer terminal, while selectively reversing upper and lower storage units to serve both workstations. Removable tackboard may be used to separate areas for new arrangement. End panels snap open for lay-in wiring, and drawer assemblies can be suspended anywhere under the work surface. Top surfaces adjust to a tilting position or four working heights, with surface of high-pressure laminate, walnut, or oak veneer. Circle No. 230.



BANK FURNISHINGS

Checkwriting counters keep forms neat, handy

A — Part of an improved line of teller and cashier stools, this **Eck-Adams** chair is equipped with adjustable seat height and comes in a wide range of stocked vinyl and fabric upholstery. Frames are available in baked enamel or chrome finishes with optional casters. Delivery is three to four weeks. Circle No. 231.

B – Desk from Cumberland Furniture can be specified in varying sizes, wood, finishes, and pedestals. Shown here in walnut, the piece creates the impression of contemporary tradition and reliability, a definite plus for the banking industry. Circle No. 232.

C – Desk riser from GF Business Equipment is designed to be compatible with GF's desks, ESP panels, and Quantum lateral filing system, creating total open plan flexibility. Modular risers feature flush drawer pulls, double-walled steel casework, and a selection of baked-on enamel finishes. Circle No. 233. D—Oak chair, designed by Warren Snodgrass for **Stow/Davis Furniture**, has a soft yet sculptured look, with shaped arms, split seat, and back cushions. Dimensions are 25½-in., 23-in., 31-in. high. Circle No. 234.

E – Overall view of Schenectady' Savings Bank's main floor shows versatility of **Herman Miller's** open plan system. Shelving doors, faced with striped fabric, are color-coordinated to upholstery fabric. Walnut-grained veneer panels delineate space and serve as a base for hanging storage components for facing workstation. Circle No. 235.






F – Haskell's Modular Office Station (MOS) coordinates lateral files, desks, tables, chairs, and storage units in interchangeable combinations. Files feature field-installable locks, Accuride suspension on receding fronts and drawers, and leveling glides adjustable with only a screwdriver. Circle No. 236.

Grite No. 230. G – Tubolaire, a new seating group from Gregson Mfg. makes use of brightly polished tubular metal for bases and arms, contoured seats and backs, covered in fabric or soft vinyl for comfort. Swivel tilt armchair, one of three seating units in the series, is equipped with Royal Roll carpet casters. Circle No. 237. H – Kimball's swivel chair, model

H — Kimball's swivel chair, model H752, is available in either walnut finished hardwood base or chrome metal, with wheel or hooded ball casters optional. Designed for a more traditional look, this chair, as well as others in the Kimball line, is available in a complete selection of color-coordinated fabrics. Circle No. 238.





MULTIPLE SEATING SYSTEMS LINK FLEXIBILITY AND FUNCTION FOR USER COMFORT

Multiple seating systems link on line, in corner arrangements, as islands, and in free forms to fit spaces from a small waiting room to a large airport lounge. The examples in this section are indicative of the sizes, styles, and shapes that provide specifiers latitude in their selections. Points in common: durability, ease of maintenance, flexibility in arrangement.











A – Hank Loewenstein's 181 Dany Trio, designed by Aldo Barberi, cantilevermounts three ABS plastic seats on steel platform frame. Circle No. 200.

B-Polyethylene modules are joined with steel bars; upholstery is attached with Velcro tape for easy removal. By **Sahn**, **Inc.**, the system is distributed by **Design Import**. Circle No. 201.

Import. Circle No. 201. C — Mandeville sectional, designed by Jerry Johnson for Landes, has wedgeshapes to create softly curved arrangement. Circle No. 202.

D-Designed by Hans Krieks for C.I. Designs, system combines seating and table, the table top in either ash finish to match frame or choice of standard plastic laminates. Circle No. 203.

E-Consolidated Burris shows but two of many possible schemes with basic units. Base is sturdily made of formed sheet steel, chrome plated and machine welded. Circle No. 204.

F-Gregson Mfg. Co. planned this 2-to-5-seat system so that seating units can be interchanged with table tops. Circle No. 205.









G-Vecta Contract's Zermatt Cantilever System sits in a straight line, but special ganging devices permit other arrangements, including back to back. System was designed by Duncan Burke/Gunter Eberle. Circle No. 206.

H-Leif Blodee Lounge Group by American Seating designed components that can be interconnected in straight runs or corner turns. Circle No. 207.

I-Fixtures Mfg.'s Jet Tandem Lounge comes as 2- or 3-seaters, with the thermoplastic seats partially or fully upholstered. Interchangeable components bolt to basic frame. Circle No. 208.



MULTIPLE SEATING Table tops integrated on line or at corners





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A – Axis 3000 by **Castelli Furniture** comfortably accommodates waiting airline passengers. Lateral frame of diecast aluminum supports seats and backrests, plus table tops with built-in ashtrays. Circle No. 209.

B – Contour-molded, modular spectator system has high-density polyethylene seats and aluminum alloy framing. By Sport Seating Co., system also comes without backs, armrests. Circle No. 210.

C-Double seater is one version of VIP Series by B. Brody Seating Co. It has No-Sag spring, polyfoam padded back, and latex foam padded seat. Circle No. 211.

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D — Modular packages of 2-, 3-, 4-, or 5-place units include seats and tables. By Steelcase, the system is based on a steel support tube, can be installed in line, back to back, or at any angle. Circle No. 212.

to back, or at any angle. Circle No. 212. **E**—Modulok by **Sauder Mfg.** interlocks for rigid alignment at a Methodist church in Fort Wayne, Ind. (architect: Harold E. Wagoner, FAIA). Frames are laminated Danish beech. Circle No. 213.

F-Mitered melamine laminate forms base for **Thayer Coggin**'s new series, designed by Milo Baughman. Delivery is 16 weeks for custom-built orders. Circle No. 214.

G-With 3-4 week delivery, seating group by Eck-Adams fills need for budget and medium-grade seating. Commercial grade vinyls and fabrics and metal frame give durability to the flexible system. Circle No. 215.

H-Interjoin Bench System, new at Intrex Inc., combines standard wood sections with a simple mechanical connector. Among arrangements: rows, right angles, triangles, and islands. Circle No. 216. I-Murphy Miller's Skylark is linked

I-Murphy Miller's Skylark is linked with a coupling unit that requires only a screwdriver. System, on 8- to 10-week schedule, also comes without arms. Circle No. 217.

CARPET SCOPE

CARPET CUSHION: OUT OF SIGHT, OUT OF MIND BUT NEVER UNDERESTIMATE ITS IMPORTANCE

Often given short shrift, because it is not part of the design visual, carpet cushion contributes important benefits to the specifications

By Marcie Avram, Special Features Editor

Carpet life and maintenance, underfoot comfort, acoustics, thermal insulation, and more—all take at least some of their cues from carpet cushion, the stepchild of the flooring industry. But because cushion—or the lack of it—is not part of the final visual, specifiers often underestimate its importance to concentrate on greater esthetic challenges.

To cushion or not to cushion, however, is only half the question. Should the specifier go the route of separate underlayment, he then must decide among a multitude of choices. For what began as a somewhat glamourless business has turned into a circus of names and kinds—each purported to do more and do it better.

The simple fact is that the growth of the carpet industry gave impetus to the infant cushion business. And its subsequent development represents a classic marketing success story.

Three alternatives

Today's stringent contract standards demand that each part of the installation work in tandem with every other at optimum levels of performance. With cushion affecting more than a couple of parts, the specifier is obligated to understand the growth of this relatively new market animal and the part it may play in his overall task.

Three alternatives exist in relation to a carpet installation: separate cushion, integral backed carpet (carpet affixed directly to the floor with no cushioning or direct glue-down carpet (carpet affixed to the floor with no cushioning.

Because each type of cushion essentially accomplishes the same ends—in different degrees—cushion supporters compare the merits of a separate cushion with no cushion at all. (Integral backed carpet, they say, is a compromise somewhere in the middle, with a few special characteristics all its own.)

Separate cushion suppliers interviewed by CONTRACT echo the two primary functions of their product:

To extend carpet life.

• To add comfort underfoot.

Every time pressure is exerted on carpet pile surface (such as walking), the backing will flex. If carpet is affixed to a solid surface, such as concrete, flexing constitutes an abrasive action, and over time, carpet fibers will begin to break down.

Resists pressure and wear

Add a cushion and the result is not surprising. The cushioning material takes the abrasive "punishment" by absorbing the impact of pressure from the carpet surface. Thus, they claim, carpet life is extended.

In short, cushion provides resistance to pressure and wear, say industry spokesmen, and point to tests measuring loss of carpet thickness and pile weight conducted by Foster D. Snell, Inc., in 1967. (It is interesting that more recent industry-level documentation is not available. Industry representatives feel that this should soon be corrected, particularly in view of increasing competition from integral backed and direct glue-down carpets.)

Less loss of thickness translates into increased luxury or comfort underfoot. Another factor affecting this same characteristic is strength of impact exerted on the floor covering. In a test by one fiber manufacturer, carpet over cushion reduced the peak impact by almost one-half.

But in addition to these foremost considerations, sources claim separate cushion will improve a carpet's acoustical properties and thermal insulation and generate easy maintenance.

Also cited as separate cushion benefits are greater pile height, more face yarn content, unlimited carpet assortment and cushion "mobility."

Acoustical control in open plan

Acoustical properties in commercial installations are becoming an increasingly important factor. As open plan office environments become more standard than occasional, more and more emphasis is placed on the carpet and cushion to achieve the proper acoustical environment.

A carpeted environment is more quiet than

one which is not, because the pile surface absorbs surface noise at the source. But a carpet with separate cushion, spokesmen emphasize, is even more quiet.

Regardless of documentation or simple reasoning, sources say, it is often cost which controls the final specification. And on the surface, carpet without separate cushion appears to be more economical.

Refute economy argument

However, appearances can be deceiving, continue the Carpet Cushion Council and its members, who all contend that this is not true in the long run for three significant reasons:

•Although an installation utilizing separate cushion may be more expensive initially, the labor cost involved in removal and clean-up (as well as higher installation cost) of integral backed and direct glue-down carpets, more than offset the savings. (Most integral backed carpet is affixed to the floor surface with glue, as is direct glue-down.)

•Since the face yarns of the carpet do not have to provide cushioning, a lighter weight, less expensive carpet may be used (and it will last longer).

•Since carpet plus cushion masks surface irregularities, a lower grade, less costly finish can be specified on concrete floors.

As the cost of backed carpet is only slightly higher than the same carpet alone, integral backed carpet immediately represented an economical alternative to separate cushion since its appearance in the early sixties. But like anything new, this type carpet initially posed some problems, such as seam separation and delamination.

However, suppliers have taken the pains to eliminate most of the bugs (although separate cushion spokesmen insist that certain problems still exist). The result is that integral backed carpet today has grown to some 30 percent of the contract carpet market (according to a study sponsored by Olin Corp.), and continues to maintain its fair market share.

Direct glue-down made its first impact in Europe, where it grew up alongside of modular interiors. It seems that if a broad ex-







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Carpet Cushion Types

Most types of carpet cushion available fall into one of these categories: felt, sponge rubber, urethane foam, foam rubber (drawings, courtesy of Carpet Cushion Council). Newly developed by DuPont is Pneumacel, a generic name for a cellular synthetic fiber.



PNEUMACEL

CARPET CUSHION

Demands for better performance, stricter standards

panse is involved in a carpet job the actual installation of separate cushion may become a major task; thus, Europeans supported this second alternative.

Cite pick-up problems

As far as direct glue-down is concerned, cushion suppliers show thumbs down in most instances. The only times direct glue-down may be a viable choice, they say, is where there are broad stretches of open space, in an area which must support a great deal of heavy traffic pressure (such as the rolling of heavy equipment in a hospital) or where extremely stringent flammability specs exist.

Most carpet cushion today falls into one of the following categories: felt, sponge rubber, urethane foam, and foam rubber. In addition, continuing technology has unleashed at least one cushioning material which does not fall into any of the above four.

First composed of 100 percent hair, felt was king until cost pressures forced suppliers to offer blends (such as jute and hair) and then move on to the pure fiber cushion.

The next step was the rubberized felt cushion for added wearability and performance. Felt had developed a solid reputation for performance, including acoustical benefits (demonstrated by the use of a similar product in tanks during the war).

Because the qualities of felt cushion cannot be disputed, sources agree this product remains a viable market offering. However, in time it became less economical for leather people to retrieve the hair from hides. Thus, as hair became less available and more costly, sponge rubber cushion became an alternative.

Two types of sponge rubber

There are two types of sponge rubber: flat sponge (smooth surface) and waffled sponge (waffled or rippled surface). Bob Martinat, VP/Sales & Marketing, Research Industries, points out that sponge also provided more "luxury" underfoot than felt, particularly important in the residential market.

But soon, material costs for sponge rubber increased. Suppliers began to use more and more filler to remain competitive. Then, about five to seven years ago, urethane foam cushion made a big impact on the market.

Prime urethane foam, bonded urethane foam (manufactured from the trimmed material salvaged in the manufacture of prime), and densified prime urethane comprise this cushion type. Prime urethane never established a foothold in the contract market as it has too low a density factor for commercial use. Bonded urethane initially presented some problems (such as pulling apart under heavy traffic conditions), but suppliers have once again been persistent. Consequently, according to Martinat, this material really "came into its own as cushion about three years ago."

Like foam rubber urethane foam offered softness and bounce. As well, it provided urethane suppliers with a new application for their product, at a time when the price was right.

Evolution of components

During recent years, great progress has been made in carpet production, with emphasis on long wear, easy care, and comfort. Carpet cushion has also undergone the same sort of development.

As an indication of the advantages cushion suppliers are outlining, several examples are offered: Dayco's promotion of Rubberloc —its top-end rubberized hair and fiber product emphasizes "unparalleled" carpet protection and superior sound-absorption, designed especially for use in commercial and heavyfoot traffic patterns.

Rubberized hair and other fiber cushion surpasses non-rubberized, according to Ed Strianese, Northeast Regional Sales Manager, Dayco Carpet Cushion Co., who claims that the former gives longer carpet life, better acoustic qualities, indents less and recovers more quickly, "breathes," and is cleaner.

Moisture-resistant top and bottom rubber coating of Rubberloc comprises approximately 25 percent compounded rubber by weight in a "distinctive" Alpine Green color.

Strianese points out that the color is actually a characteristic welcomed by architects and specifiers who are assured with only a quick glance that the specified product was, indeed, utilized.

Omalon, produced by Olin, is the only product on the market referred to as a "densified" prime urethane. According to Stan Cohen, Product Development Manager, Floorcoverings, Omalon offers superior durability and performance in a range of weights.

Company tests indicate Omalon surpasses rubber or polyurethane in terms of life span. Unlike these type cushions, Cohen says, Omalon is not subject to oxidation and, consequently will not "fatigue" (bottom out) under continual traffic. He adds: "We even feel it is possible to reuse Omalon after a carpet has worn out."

As far as densified prime urethane's relation to felt, Olin feels its product is much "cleaner," and is not subject to mildew, etc.

New cellular synthetic fiber

The newest cushion on the market is Pneumacel, from DuPont. Pneumacel is a generic name for a cellular synthetic fiber. The material is comprised of closed cells, permanently inflated with a positive pressure of five pounds per square inch.

Among the benefits claimed by DuPont are durability, recovery from deformation, insulation, fire-retardancy; it does not absorb moisture, is non-allergenic, and odorless, and resists mildew.

Market Development Manager, Jim Bolmeyer suggests that this substance combines the best of felt and urethane – wearability with comfort underfoot – at a very low weight.

"Pneumacel is comparable to 80-oz. sponge, 50-oz.-plus rubberized hair and jute or all hair and high-density urethane in load support," he says. "However, this material is light. Eight ounces of Pneumacel offers more load support than a comparable piece of 80-oz. sponge, at five pounds per square yard."

Available in two grades (one, commercial; one, residential), the product comes with explicit installation instructions.

Combined advantages

Crest-Foam's Safecrest Superfoam is a urethane promoted as combining the comfort of latex, the durability of conventional urethanes, strong fire retardant properties and low smoke generation.

Karl Lens, Chairman, Board of Directors, says that Safecrest can be supplied in a variety of ILD's (Indention Load Deflection, the amount of force required to depress the cushion 25 percent and 65 percent), i.e., from 40 to 150 pounds. "No other commercial carpet cushion can give this broad range in actual comfort," he adds, "that can be engineered for the application."

Safecrest also claims superior compression set and resilience (the material's ability to recover to its original state after being subjected to sudden impact stress).

It is important to note that with ever-



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increasing demands being put on commercial installation materials, the flammability issue is moving into the forefront. And with this realization, suppliers are paying close attention to present and possible, future requirements.

Two fire tests

Currently most fire codes require that a cushion pass two industry standards: the Pill test (DOC FF 1-70) and Hill Burton requirements, as measured by the Steiner Tunnel test.

No national cushion standards

According to Barry Torrence of Carpet & Rug Institute, at the time the carpet flammability standards were released, National Bureau of Standards assessed cushioning as *not* high on the priority list in terms of degree of danger represented by the material. Thus, no "national" cushion standards have been established.

However, he says, members of the Institute who supply integral backed carpet produce both carpet and cushion to carpet flammability requirements.

In line, then, with city fire code requirements, most manufacturers supplying the contract trade offer their products treated with a fire-retardant capable of passing the two test standards.

However, suppliers state that the fire hazard has never been accruately defined: thus, industry standards become somewhat irrelevant.



"Cushion was and still is, to a degree, one part of the installation specification with which corners are cut to save a few pennies or to win a bid," says Ed Strianese of Dayco Carpet Cushion Co.

For instance, Olin's Cohen points out that even if a cushion passes each test, that in combination with carpet, i.e., installed, the two will actually burn more readily than either alone.

Thus, in relation to building codes which require the combination to pass, the only alternative becomes direct glue-down. This is one factor, he suggests, which has led to the growth of such installations.

Martinat adds that certain products, tested for fire-retardance, have then "lost" this characteristic several months after installation. It is this type of input which illustrates the complexity of the problem.

Built-in flame-retardant

As one of the more recent entries into the market, DuPont's Pneumacel is promoting its fire-retardancy characteristic. With a flameretardant actually incorporated into the thermoplastic binder, Pneumacel claims low flame spread and smoke generation and no toxic gases.

Safecrest Superfoam is backed by documentation not for the standard industry requirements but rather for what Crestfoam claims to be the two most stringent flame tests required by the New York Port Authority the Radiant Panel and the Vertical Flame tests.

Safecrest promotion is indicative of the position being adopted by urethane producers because of federal investigation and pronouncements concerning flammability of urethane foam—in all its many applications.

Last year FTC charged that certain plastic producers have known of "serious fire hazards" involving cellular or foamed polyurethanes and all form of polystyrene since at least 1967, but have failed to disclose "hazards" to users.

This July, the FTC tentatively accepted settlements ordering 25 companies to stop advertising as nonburning these materials used



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widely in building insulation and in home furnishings products.

Under the consent orders, 'the companies agreed to warn past purchasers of the product, as well as other officials, and to establish and finance a \$5 million research program.

Admitting the need for fire-retardant products, sources repeat that the goal is complex, since there are a large number of variables involved. In fact, one spokesman suggests that much of the commission's investigation may be based on the erroneous assumptions.

Advancing one theory, he indicates that most fatalities are not from either physical damage or toxic gases but rather, from the actual lack of oxygen resulting from the act of combustion and the production of so -called "toxic" fumes.

Regardless of the confusion, sources admit that the direction of industry standards is obvious and that companies are cognizant of the need to continue research in this area.

Cut corner and save bid

Strianese remarks that cushion was and still is, to a degree, one part of the installation specification with which corners are cut to save a few pennies or to win a bid. This fact, he says, is indicative of industry ignorance.

Bolmeyer agrees: "The specifier needs information," he says. "Many are specifying cushion based solely on past experience, not on familiarity with the entire market."

Henry Albert, President, Dayco Carpet Cushion Co., continues: "The specifier may not understand the cushion business at all. He feels it is insignificant in relation to the total job, and many times he is not even in touch with cushion suppliers, but rather, bases all decisions on advice from carpet suppliers."

Consequently, to develop both the residential and contract cushion markets and to develop brand identity as a weapon against a growing number of competitive products, suppliers are advancing high-level promotion programs to capture the buyer and justify increasing prices.

As far as the contract market is concerned, Bolmeyer says, "all hair or hair and jute maintains a reputation for performance. But in the past several years, total availability has decreased.

The industry is receptive to new products, but like the others, Bolmeyer emphasizes that performance is a must.

Strianese points out that a specification is a safeguard for the specifier, ensuring that the installed material exactly meets the requirement and that no lower grade product has been supplied via an "or equal" spec.

Real demand for cushion

The cushion story is far from finished. Continuing technology and demands for better performance and stricter standards will encourage suppliers to improve the old and generate the new.

MARKETING KNOW-HOW IS KEYSTONE OF WALKER/GRAD DESIGN

A wide variety of design disciplines, from graphics to industrial design, combine with marketing savvy to keep interior space design firm moving ahead in a soft market area

If offices without walls was a radical but successful departure for the interior space design industry, then stores without walls is not so far-fetched a concept either. At least it isn't when it is voiced by Kenneth Walker, AIA, President of Walker/Grad, Inc., incorporating members of Kenneth Walker Design Group, New York City, and The Grad Partnership, an architectural firm of Newark, N.J.

Walker runs a multi-disciplinary shop that has strong foundations built on marketing know-how, as well as talented designer input in all of the interior space and industrial design disciplines. Basic to the creative approach of his firm, which was established in 1971 and has been growing steadily despite ups and downs of the economy, is a thorough understanding not only of his company's marketing needs, but, more importantly, of his clients.

"I like being able to solve the economic as well as the esthetic problem," says the energetic Walker, who is 34 years old and minces no words about what he thinks, thus simply stating the bedrock concept upon which his firm has been growing steadily. Today, Walker/Grad Inc., does about 40 percent of its billing in corporate facilities architecture, planning, and design; about 40 percent in store planning and design; and 20 percent in industrial design and the various packaging and graphic services required by corporate marketing and advertising. Currently, the firm is involved in the planning and design of major department store complexes, in corporate facilities planning of over 700,000 square feet of space; in corporate identity programs; and in packaging and display systems.

An example of an unusual project which en-



"I think that architecture is very good training for businessmen because it basically is involved with problem solving. But there are not many designers who have interest in business," says Kenneth Walker, AIA, President of Walker/Grad, Inc., New York. W/G's office (below and opposite page bottom) has a "no door" policy for immediate, no-barrier exchanges of information.



compasses such disciplines as architecture, interior planning and design, graphics and industrial design is now on the boards—a prototype "reading room" concept for the Christian Science Church to be located in New York City's Rockefeller Center.

Art, marketing background

Such diversity in project content is understandable in perusing Walker's background. He was graduated from Brown University with degrees in art history and painting, and from Harvard Graduate Shool of Design, where he received a Masters in Architecture. He has taught architectural history at M.I.T. and Rhode Island School of Design, and art history at Harvard. He also was on the faculty of The Architectural Association of London before founding Kenneth Walker Design Group in 1967.

Thus steeped in creativity as a fine artist, a designer, and a marketing man, he approached the large and successful Grad Partnership in 1971 and proposed that they unite their services to more fully meet the changing needs of corporate, retail, government, and institutional clients for all types of design services.

Walker's combination of architectural and art training and marketing skills, which was garnered in his association with students and faculty at the Harvard Business School, made for a unique approach to clients whose requirements might range from new corporate headquarters to packaging and merchandising aids.

Threaded throughout a description of this design firm is Walker's strong identification with the businessman, his grasp of economics,



and his propensity to grapple with marketing problems. "I always start off with potential clients by assuming that they know about us or they would not be here," says Walker, "so we concern ourselves immediately with their problems.

"At Harvard, I was instrumental in getting the Business School students to come over to the Design School." Walker points out that in this group of his contemporaries were men who soon would go out and be in a position to hire design firms, yet they did not know what design was all about.

"They were making decisions that had an economic impact or would have when they left the school.

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Helps shape shell

Because of Walker/Grad's involvement with a large architectural firm that provides engineering and planning services to clients, the interior design firm's influence often helps to shape the shell. Grad's talents are blended with interior designers, planners, graphic designers, and other professionals that form a large pool of multi-disciplined talent. The result, Walker points out, is often a building that more nearly meets the needs of the interior office users than is usually the practice where architecture is the first consideration and planning secondary.

"This is especially valuable," says Walker, "where new theories of interior layout of corporate offices provide a wider degree of options, from open plan to conventional; whether the project involves a new building designed around the interior concept, or the adaptation of space in existing high-rise buildings.

Construction savings also can be achieved when services are inter-related and coordinated, enabling specialists to interact freely with each other, because they operate under one roof in proximity to one another."

Projects are managed by a director/ designer team, under Walker's supervision, which remains with the assignment until it is





Nancy Klasen (upper left photo), Project Designer, is a specialist in open planning: "We're doing more open plan, but it's still a struggle to get the client to accept the square footage necessary for quality. The key is finding a manufacturer with a panelhung system that works. New systems are now offering greater variety, but —"

Saul Scheveloff, Project Coordinator, and Paul Nunez, Director of Store Planning (upper right). Nunez, from Argentina, likes working with W/G's young designers: "Young people that haven't been exposed to store design have a fresh approach. They are more likely to arrive at new solutions; their design is cleaner, lighter, less commercial."

Irena Ustjanowski and Lauder Bowden (lower left photo), Project Designers, are graphics specialists. Comments Bowden: "The Helvetica scare is over, and we're going to see more that is fanciful. Right now, nostalgia is a big influence."

William Mattison, Project Director, Mark Kates, Project Manager, Dorothy Schuster, Project Designer (lower right). "The acceptance of open plan," says Mattison, "is stronger outside of New York City. Yet because of the current economic situation, there's a growing interest in landscaping generally."







completed. Currently, the firm has more than 150 specialists available to it in design, planning, and architecture. In the Walker/Grad structure, architectural specialists include Partners Bernard J. Grad, FAIA; Howard Grad, PE, FASCE; David Dibner, Harry B. Mahler, and Kenneth D. Wheeler, all FAIA. The Grad Partnership, founded in 1907, has been heavily involved in the design of corporate headquarters and other office facilities for such major U.S. corporations as AT&T, Prudential Insurance Co., Nabisco, Mercedes Benz of North America, and New York Life.

An ear to student creativity

Especially because the firm is relatively young in a relatively young field, Walker is particularly concerned about personnel. "Part of the reason the many firms rely on formulas," he explains, "is that they cannot maintain personnel, and, if you build up an inventory of design, it becomes somewhat independent of the designers. We are too young to do this, but we are aware of it. Right now, I know that the schools know us very well and we get a lot of input from them. We know that this atmosphere is conducive to good design, in that it stimulates the kind of creativity one can achieve in a design school environment. At the same time, there are enough experienced people here to direct these creative efforts into functional and economic solutions, so that the client can benefit from the youthful creativity without being penalized."

Walker's concern with staff was expressed recently in the criteria established for the new Walker/Grad offices, located in a remodeled commercial building near the United Nations. The bright and cheerful atmosphere, outside landscaped terraces, adjacency to a park, and such other amenities as a shower and full size kitchen, were some of the considerations that dicated both the choice of space, more than double that of the previous office, and the open plan design. The latter allows for extreme flexibility, openness, and a light, bright, cheery feeling throughout. The arrangement

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Stores due for new ideas

also allows Walker, who occupies one end of the 10,000-square-foot area, to listen with one ear to what is going on and keep in constant contact with the movement of the staff. Rather than a 'big brother' effect, it is more like family, according to Walker.

Multi-disciplinary commitment

The firm is firmly committed to the multidisciplinary approach to design. It has been so successful for Walker that, in his view, it is the approach that a lot of firms will be trying to imitate five years hence.

"Especially if the economy undergoes the cycles that it has been going through now," he says, "where the specialists do very well in an up market and get bombed in hard times, when there is no other discipline they can offer. I think that we will have proved that the multi-disciplinary approach can work, if we don't bite off more than we can chew.

"And, we are not all things to all people. I don't see us as being a firm that has hundreds of people. I do see us as being a size that is controllable in terms of quality. And also in terms of whom we work with and whom we work for."

Walker, who prefers to work with a strong individual as a client, rather than a committee, says that "any designer works best if he is interfacing with a strong individual." He will accept all kinds and sizes of projects if "...the project is a challenge to us and benefits the client."

Complete programs for a client have included the development of corporate identification, packaging, merchandising aids, and

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Walker/Grad's design/merchandising expertise is effectively demonstrated in several Burdine's department stores. Homeworks, shown (above) in Burdine's Orlando, is a prototype that will be used in other Burdine's stores. This area has its own packaging (right). Burdine's Dadeland in Miami (immediately below) uses bright materials and adjustable spotlights to create enticing merchandising appeal in the Depot sales area. For the same store, W/G created a "meeting place" —an electronic clock with a bright "dancing orange." Architectural use of graphics, also at Burdine's Dadeland store in Miami, handsomely serves signage needs.











Ogilvy Mather's offices are a compatible mix of open plan (immediately above) and conventional offices (topmost) to meet the different requirements for privacy of creative and administrative personnel in this New York advertising agency.

For the Greek Line, Walker/Grad created a graphic program. These examples announce a series of cruises on luxury liners.

The original egg-and-dart plasterwork of the remodeled loft offices of Robert Lewis (right and below right) was not only preserved but also accented with a contemporary graphic cornice along the tops of partitioning. To preserve the original ceiling, ductwork was exposed and treated as a sculptural element.

A simple redesign of the facades of Henri Bendel (below) on New York's famed 57th Street, accents architectural features with ten different colors, capitalizing on the architectural integrity of the existing buildings and taking advantage of the architectural ornamentation in a slightly whimsical fashion.









displays. Interior jobs, from educational facilities to government installations, can range in size from 4,000 sq. ft. to 400,000 sq. ft., according to Walker.

Critical path scheduling is used to monitor the several disciplines involved in any job, as well as to control budgets and costs.

In regard to store planning, which is a major area of concern for the firm, Walker predicts "that what we are going to be doing in stores in the next few years will be very much of a major breakthrough. Right now stores are in their infancy in terms of design." Comparing the state of the art to that of office furniture, Walker sees how the concepts developed for space planning that feature sophisticated office systems are going to be applied to store design.

First stages of revolution

"The ability to grow and change within the office environment is very important. We once thought of offices as being static, with lots of cubby holes," Walker says. "This changed because it was full of waste. But this is a 20 year revolution and we are just in the first stages of it. Right now, stores spend a lot of money just building stage sets, which is not invalid as an idea, because a store is something like the theater. You go there to be entertained. But the costs of interior construction in stores is getting to be out of sight. So we want to create an environment that has the ability to grow, change, provide an image, and find a handle to profitability."

Store without walls?

Walker goes on to point out that he would like to develop a store without walls that would really work. "There have been a few attempts at it," he says, "but few of them have been well done or done with any economy. The idea, however, is right. This is going to be an expensive concept to develop, just as the first office furniture system was expensive, but it will have to be done.

"Stores say that they are flexible today, but what they mean is that they have a lot of fixtures inside them. Fixtures, however, are still a cottage industry. What is needed is a system that offers real flexibility, so that what the store buyer needs he can get cheaply and quickly.

"Another influence on store design will be the current emphasis on consumerism. If the consumer becomes more aware of what she or he is buying, design in the store will be less important. Stores will not be selling \$300 dresses out of fake Louis XV salons. They will be able to present things more simply and directly and get their effects through lighting, graphics, and good space planning."

Goals considered too

Graphic design services of the firm include corporate identification and signage programs, packaging, and environmental graphics. Walker's strong marketing orientation has from the beginning tended to relate all of a client's graphic requirements to advertising and promotion, as well as to corporate policies and goals.

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Signage controls traffic

A project may include name research and development, design of graphic symbols, and typefaces; investigation of physical packaging options; and development of a graphic standards manual to help the client control application and relate the design to his printing resources. The company frequently is asked to provide marketing and positioning of new products.

Part of the job often involves evaluation of in-store display conditions, in order to relate packaging not only to the manufacturer's image and marketing strategy, but also to the reality of the selling environment. The use of environmental graphics in defining space originates in this department, working in conjunction with interior designers.

Deliveries get worse

Walker/Grad also involves itself in industrial design assignments, which often arise out of special needs seen in the course of interior design or store planning projects. Thus special furniture, accessories, or fixtures may be required by either the corporate or the retail client.

Typical assignments have included development of signage for store traffic control, design of a total display system and environment for a major manufacturer of fibers, executive furniture, lighting fixtures, and display fixtures in conjunction with a packaging program.

One of the major problems that Walker

perceives on the interior design horizon is the increasing difficulty of controlling furniture deliveries.

"A friend of mine," he says, "a designer on the West Coast, has established his own network of dealerships to circumvent the increasingly unreliable service of manufacturers. Some are moving away from national account and going back to dealerships. Deliveries are going to have to improve and some of the practices eliminated. Some manufacturers have a habit of putting prototypes in the showroom and taking orders on them before committing themselves to production. We make our commitment to the client, but the manufacturer, if he does not get enough orders, will drop the line.

"Right now, every manufacturer has some sort of modular unitized system on the market. But, unless I can get a commitment from him for five-year production runs, written in blood, I won't specify it. I can't recommend it to a client, who will be going into a multi-million dollar commitment, if it is not going to be available in five years. All of this is simply experimenting at the expense of the designer and his client."

Softness is opportunity

Walker, whose firm has done over 800,000 square feet of office space since 1971, feels that New York is going to represent an "interesting turn-around" in the next two years. There will be a lot of companies, he thinks, that will be able to negotiate more favorable leases than heretofore. As a result, many that may have been planning to move out of the city will not do so. Instead, they will enlarge existing facilities or seek new space in conventional office buildings.

For Walker/Grad, the softness of the New York market is viewed as an opportunity—a traditional outlook for market-oriented companies.





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The versatility of Walker/Grad's sphere of design is shown in the graphics program for Burdine's (below) and packaging for J.P. Stevens' Spirit pantyhose (bottom). The packages are color-coded to assist in self-selection by customers.





Institute of Business Designers 1974 product design competition award winners

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Product Design Competition Awards

SYSTEMS SCORE IN IBD PRODUCT COMPETITION

Both low- and high-end products are winners of Institute of Business Designers Product Design Competition A Stow/Davis desk and credenza designed by M. F. Harty and carrying list prices of \$8,500 and \$7,700 respectively, and a relatively lowpriced Knoll Crylicord lighting line by Peter Hamburger typified the price spread of winners of the 1974 Institute of Business Designers Product Design Competition. Prizes were presented to the winners at a dinner held in New York's Plaza Hotel, October 18.

According to Charles S. Gelber, President Emeritus of IBD, who served as Chairman of the 1974 Competition, this year's contest produced entries from 112 manufacturers. Judges agreed that most of the ten categories were replete with excellent new designs destined to win the acclaim of contract designers/ specifiers.

Judges of the competition were: Regina Baraban, Editor, The Designer Magazine; Len Corlin, Editor/Co-Publisher, CONTRACT; Sherman Emery, Editor, Interior Design; Olga Gueft, Editorial Director, Interiors; Geri Hanna, Editor, Office World News; William M. Hogan, Editor, The Office; Neil Loynachan, Geyer's Dealer Topics; and Richard Planck, Modern Office Procedures.

CASE GOODS

First Prize:	Stow/Davis
Product:	Harty Desk
Designer:	M. F. Harty

French walnut veneer and stainless steel base combine with solar bronze glass in furniture of unusual quality, in simple, modern lines. Circle No. 257.

Second Prize: GF Business Eqpt., Inc. Product: GF Quantum System Designer: GF Design Staff

Suitable for traditional or open-plan design, this system forms complete workstation, wall system, or storage bank. It is also designed to be compatible with GF's ESP line, for added design versatility. Circle No. 258.







SPECIAL EQUIPMENT

First Prize: JG Furniture Co., Inc. Product: Illuminated Open Planning Designer: Interspace Inc., John Nance

Workstation combines work surface, storage files, and total office lighting in one compact space. Mirror-polished stainless steel and rift oak panels are materials used in the illuminate open plan unit. Circle No. 259.

Second Prize: McClure Furniture Product: Metrix System Designers: Gino Valle, Herbert Ohl

Metrix combines desks, filing cabinets, shelving, all assembled from basic components, to solve a variety of office needs. As requirements change, interchangeable elements can be altered to provide up-to-the-minute efficiency. Circle No. 260.





CHAIRS

First Prize: John Stuart Int'l. Product: Comprehensive Seating Designer: William Sklaroff

Part of a total seating line (right) Pedestal Arm Chair features precision-bent steel tubing in curvilinear design. The series of ten chairs includes three fully upholstered desk chairs and seven related chairs. Circle No. 261.

Second Prize: Herman Miller Product: Wilkes Seating Designer: Ray Wilkes

Wilkes soft seating boasts choice of pod, fourpoint, and sled bases with optional pneumatic lifts (above). Circle No. 262.





SPECIAL SEATING

First Prize: Krueger Product: Casalino Licensor: Casala-Werle, Carl Sasse K.G.

Casaline chairs provide safe environment for children. Molded of Lunar S superstrong thermo-plastic, the units nest, and carry a two-year guarantee against breakage. Circle No. 265. Second Prize: Fritz Hansen Inc. Product: Chair System Designer: Verner Panton

This chair system features selection of four different seat heights from dining to lounge height, and four different upholstery treatments. Upholstery is removable for cleaning. Circle No. 266.

First Prize: Herman Miller Product: Chadwick Modular Seating Designer: Don Chadwick

"Outside" and "inside" wedge modules, linked by fastener-less connectors, form Herman Miller's sinuous Chadwick seating. It can also be arranged in a straight line and broken down into sofas or individual chairs. Circle No. 263.

Second Prize: Atelier International Product: Erasmo Designer: Tobia Scarpa

This large-scale lounge seating system can take on unlimited rectangular configurations, using basic armless unit and units with one or two arms attached. Circle No. 264.





FABRICS

First Prize: Isabel Scott Fabrics Product: Super Flower, **Fugie Print Collection** Designer: Awatsuji Hiroshi

Fujie collection contains eight bold patterns, hand-printed on 100 percent cotton, washable and dry-cleanable with a print width of approximately 47 inches. Patterns are designed to extend the full width of the fabric, creating possibilities for instant conversion to banners, wall panels, bedspreads, and super pillows. Circle No. 267.

Second Prize: Eurotex Product: Tibet, 100% Berberwool upholstery Designer: M. Joliet

Made of 100 percent Berber wool, Tibet is available in eight natural colors, and 50-inch width. Total weight is 30 oz. per lin. yard, and upholstery fabric is mothproofed. Circle No. 268



Product Design Competition Awards



Product Design Competition Awards

ACCESSORIES

First Prize: Greg Copeland, Inc. Product: Gothic Spectrum Paper Cut-Outs Designer: Greg Copeland

Quartet of chrome-framed vellum paper cutouts form accessory which is both contemporary and eclectic. Each cut-out is 18-inches square. Circle No. 269.

No Second Prize Awarded



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LIGHTING

First Prize: Knoll International Product: Crylicord Lighting Designer: Peter Hamburger

Crylicord Lighting (right), for both residential and contract use, is of clear acrylic tubing. The low-cost line consists of three floor lamps, two desk lamps, and a wall bracket-fixture. Circle No. 270.

Second Prize: Tsao Designs Product: System II Lighting Designer: John Gardner

Tsao's System Lighting composes custom sculptural lighting effects from a series of components—globes, cylinders, basic grid system. Circle No. 271.



WALLCOVERINGS

First Prize: Mitchell/Mann Product: The Vintage Process Designer: Bob Mitchell

This prize-winning wallcovering is a photomural transferred onto burlap, creating a textured surface in key with ancient masterpieces. Circle No. 272.

Second Prize: General Tire & Rubber Product: Hula Vinyl Wallcovering Designer: Wallace Michael

Vinyl wallcovering has the feel of a contemporary super-graphic, is available in yellow, orange, rust, and beige. Textured surface adds dimension and design potential to the piece. Circle No. 273.



FLOOR COVERINGS

First Prize: Milliken Product: Flexagon Carpet Tile Designers: Daniel C. Stark, David Oakey, Dr. William Stewart

Carpet squares are crafted of nylon for durability, and printed in easily-arranged geometric pattern. Each tile is 18-inches square. Circle No. 274

Second Prize: Durache Constant Product: Galin Plaid II: Designer: D. Bruce Rabbino, IBD

Pure wool carpet is available in four colorways (gray, brown, burgundy, and blue) and also custom-order. Ground color is executed in loop stitch; ribbons of color forming the plaid are in raised cut pile. Circle No. 275.







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Lucite is the best loved medium (at the present) of designer Charles Jones. Forming joints without screws and bolts, Jones melds acrylics with metals, fuses the two through quick room temperature changes. Chair design shown is typical of the designer's desire to create forms rather than traditional four-leg frames. Circle No. 252 on reader service card.

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MODULARS SIMPLIFY CARPET MAINTENANCE

Modularity makes its way to floor coverings with introduction on Bigelow-Sanford's Modular Carpet System. The 18-in. square, heavy-weight modules are backed with Versa-Lok adhesive, insuring no lateral movement unless lifted for clean-



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Coordination is the keynote of C.W. Stockwell Inc.'s Designers Series IV which incorporates 18 matched or coordinated fabric/wallcovering designs for a total collection



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Complete technical and ordering data, along with pertinent information on specifications and packaging, is available for Grant Hardware Co.'s Model 516 and 517 drawer slides. The 516/517 slide mechanisms are reproduced in photograph and line diagram, and are accompanied with lists of stock sizes and suggested applications.

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Specifications, applications, and illustrations of portable and track-mounted movable walls are compiled in Kwik-Wall Co's 12-page, full-color catalog. Entitled "The Permanent Look in Movable Walls," the publication pays special attention to the space-saving uses of movable room dividers, and lists available hardware and sound-absorption components.

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Professionally prepared specs and general information on direct glue-down installation of jute-backed carpets has been compiled by W.E. Lunt, member Construction Specifications Institute, and M.O. Powell, President National Association of Floor Covering Installers. Published by Jute Carpet Backing Council, Inc., the installation brochure includes review and definition of materials and equipment, notes on surface preparation, and description of jute primary and secondary backings.

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A complete package of up-to-date literature has been published by Preway, Inc. to accompany its full line of prefabricated fireplaces. Included in the four-color material are photographs of all units (with separate specifications for wallhung and built-in pieces), and a complete brochure on chimney installation. Dimensional drawings and installation information explain labor-saving, cost-savings advantages of prefabricated models.

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Empire State Chair compiles a vast collection of chairs in a new and comprehensive catalog divided into six major style sections-Modern, Bentwood, Continental, Rustic Colonial, Contract, and Custom Plus. Serving as a complete designer's guide, the catalog includes color photographs of installations with chair models fully described, specifications, construction details, and drawings in its 112 pages plus 24 half-pages.

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Elegant wrought-iron furniture is the subject of a four-color brochure from Plantation Patterns, Div. General Housewares Corp. Leisure Furniture Group. More than fifty pages of illustrations of the firm's Paladin. Corsica, Delicado, and Contensinna casual/outdoor collections are supplemented with up-to-date price lists, fabric and vinyl sample sheets.

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Easy-to-read, simultaneous recording of time and temperature is the pictorial subject of Airguide's four-color brochure. With designs ranging from traditional mahogany and fruitwood wall models to digital desk top pieces, the booklet contains full specification and price information, a special section on combination lithograph/weather dial wall hangings.

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With a section of technical data attesting to the durable performance of acrylic/wood versus other commonly used flooring products, and photographs displaying the product's pattern and installation versatility, Arco Chemical Co.'s Perma Grain product booklet provides the interior designer with complete specification information for the firm's PermaGrain Strips collection. Traditional parquet and onedirectional designs are combined with larger scaled, contemporary treatments. For the designer who desires extra bold floor treatments, an illustrated section on PermaGrain Aspen is included.

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A comprehensive sampler service has been developed by GAF for interior designers, architects, builders, contractors, specifiers. Contracfloor sheet vinyl and architectural tile brochure, Contracfloor sheet vinyl swinger, a tile sampler, and complete series of boxed tile samples are all part of the 1974 Architectural Aids package. Specifically designed to facilitate pattern and color selection, the sampler service, according to Roy Gilb, Manager Contract Sales, "presents actual samples swatches in as practical and attractive a manner as possible."

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A new leather program of 100 colors is being newly marketed by International Fabrics Inc. An unusually extensive collection, the leathers are imported from Bridge of Weir Leathers of Scotland, the hides originating from Scandinavia and Northern Europe. A brochure of colorful swatches for upholstery use is offered by International Fabrics.

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Colorful fountains are now available in kit form, cataloged in full in Roman Fountains, Inc.'s 1974 brochure. Preengineered packages of KD equipment, complete with hardware, pumps, piping and valves, are displayed with complete ordering and specification information. Separate pages of the catalog are devoted to assembled standard and semicustom designs, including rain curtains, fountains with pools, floating fountains for use in lakes and ponds. Maintenance information is available for both pre-assembled and KD designs.

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Freight loss and damage, a thorn in the side of manufacturers, dealers, and specifiers, is the subject of a manual published by Southern Furniture Manufacturers Association's Loss & Damage Committee. Areas explored in the publication include: basic principles of carrier liability; types of claims and claim forms; burden of proof; rules, regulations, and practices contained in ICC Ex Parte 263 proceedings; how to handle salvage; step-by-step procedure for filing claims. Definition of terminology and regulations is intended to minimize problems in filing and understanding loss and damage claims.

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The ancient art of sandcasting (similar in technique to casting with molten metals) is given an updated explanation and graphic presentation in Sculptural Environments/Bandanna's newest portfolio. In addition to cataloging the range of designs available from Bandanna studios the portfolio includes updated price list and suggestions for interior and exterior installation on wood and concrete surfaces.

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