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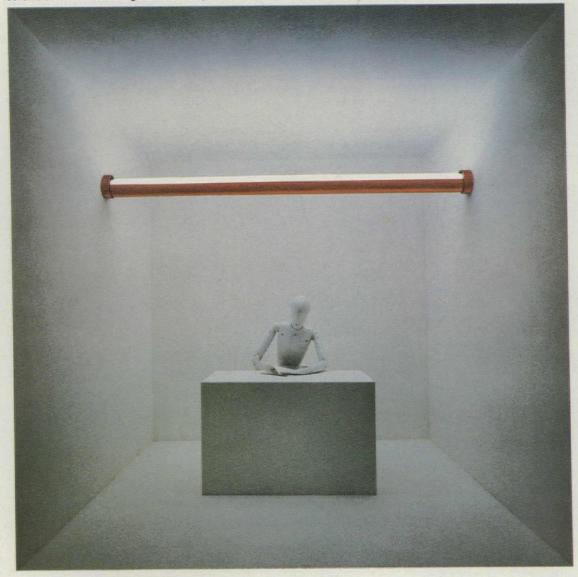
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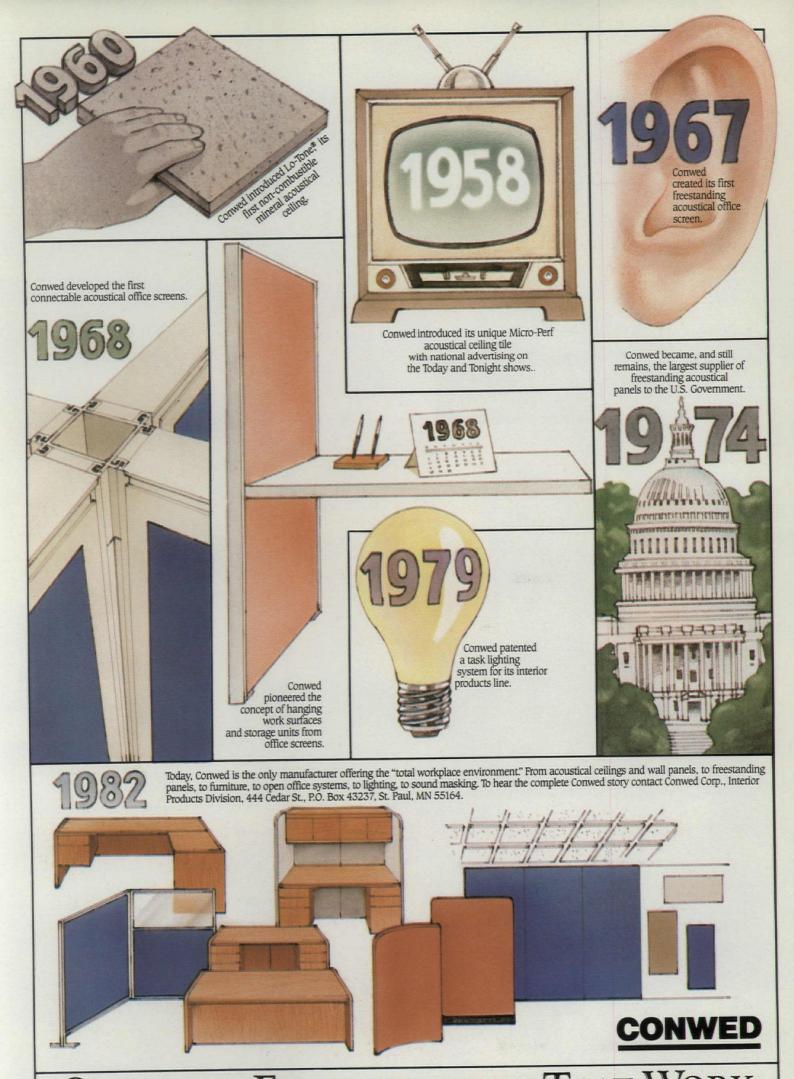
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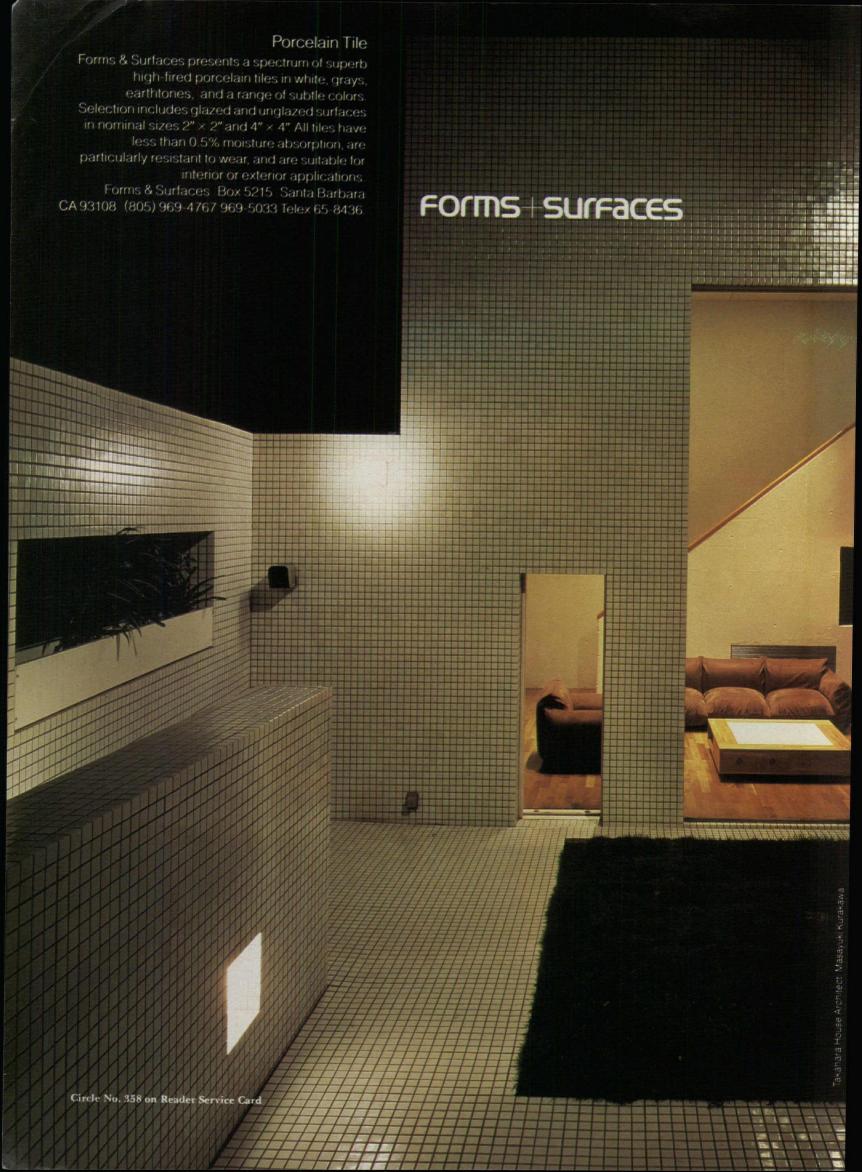
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In an issue that examines interiors as the sums of their parts, let us first consider how interiors count in the grand total of the built environment.

With few exceptions, the main purpose of building is to create interiors. We may build wonderful plazas, cloisters, and porches, but they are fundamentally adjuncts to the con-

struction of enclosed spaces.

Why, then, aren't interiors the very essence of architecture? Why do exteriors outnumber interiors among the illustrations in architecture books? Because exteriors are generally public and relatively permanent; the imprint of their designers is visible and lasting. Interiors tend by contrast to be private and subject to the most rapid and unpredictable alteration by occupants. The interiors that acquire a place in architectural history tend to be "public"—those in churches or palaces, hotels or theaters—and even such institutions indulge in ill-considered redecoration.

Should interiors be visibly related to the exteriors that enclose them? Should they ideally be designed by the same people? The answer to both questions is a resounding "Sometimes." Interior design unrelated to the architecture enclosing it has proliferated with the development of modern office buildings, apartment houses, and shopping centers (not to mention the earlier commercial lofts, which have only recently become receptacles for serious interior design). Yet some of the masterworks of Michelangelo, for example, are interiors inserted into unrelated structures. But even today, concert halls and museums, for instance, are seen as integrated design efforts, in which the building architect almost never "loses control" of the interior. So degrees of integration must vary with the

Who should design interiors? Anyone with the expertise. That's why the question of licensing interior designers is so hard to resolve. Is there a sure way to measure the ability to design interiors, and do architects always have it? Clearly, not all architects understand the fine points of interior design, just as many know little about landscape design. (As for whether all architects understand architectural design, at least they have passed an exam in it.) The public's interest in the qualifications of anyone designing interiors is limited largely to matters of safetyaesthetics behind walls mattering less to the community than what shows-and some way should be established to ensure that interior safety is in safe hands.

Interior design differs from architectural design significantly in degree of precision. Fractions of inches and fine distinctions in color or finish count more when close at hand (or, in the case of furniture, close to the

body). Perhaps that is why industrial designers can also produce fine interiors. Lighting, of course, is a far more crucial consideration indoors than outdoors-and an area in which otherwise brilliant architects often show weaknesses.

Interior design is now feeling the impact of technical changes not felt so strongly in architecture as a whole-programmatically in the demands of office equipment or medical procedures, for instance-physically in the expanding variety of lighting options and furnishings systems now available. At the same time, there are overriding energy considerations affecting both interior and building envelope: the reduction of lighting energy, the rational design and distribution of windows, the advantages of atrium plans and under-

ground spaces, for instance.

Considerations of the moment aside, interior spaces always offer an opportunity for total control of the occupants' environment. And, given the relative impermanence of interiors, the potential exists for all kinds of visual and spatial experiment. Architectural ideas are often realized in interiors first, as they emerge from the paper stage. Yet total control of an occupant's surroundings brings with it a certain obligation to be considerate. Though current interiors can be wild and theatrical, the ones in this issue generally provide a more comforting, supportive ambiance, with intellectual and aesthetic satisfaction in the details.

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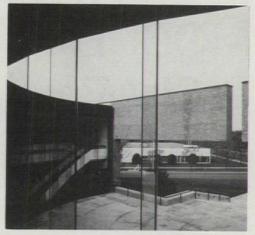


#### Contextual in Columbus

William Morgan's flippant commentary on the "Columbus City Hall" (P/A, May 1982, p. 27) does a grave injustice to a very fine building. I hope in the future you will find someone with a less jaundiced eye to give this building the serious review that it deserves.

John Malick, Architect Portland, Or

Whereas the evaluation of architecture will always remain a matter of opinion, of a brief presentation under the heading "News Report" (May 1982, p. 27, "SOM's awkward nod to Post-Modernism") a more objective presentation of a landmark like SOM's new Columbus City Hall might have been expected. Starting with the derogatory remark "awkward" already in the title, the whole article by Prof. Morgan displays prejudice against SOM to a degree a balanced review doesn't permit. This important building certainly deserves an in-depth review for the readers of your magazine and I very much hope it will receive it. I have seen and studied Columbus City Hall and have arrived at a very different opinion from Prof. Morgan's. Attached you will find two more positive and objective photos, which differ from the really "awkward" one you published. Although Prof. Morgan seems to be strongly biased against the architects in general and in favor of "the wit and sensibility" of Moore, Venturi and others, a major point so dear to those designers has escaped him: that Columbus City Hall is a thoroughly contextual building, where all elementsthe triangular shape and the entrance orientation with its traditional front lawn, the materials used throughout and even the design of the two back elevations-have a very obvious and direct relationship with the situation and the surroundings of the city. This fact is well recognized by the occupants-



principally by the Mayor, with whom I had a chance to discuss this matter immediately after completion of the building last fall. She is in fact quite enthusiastic of the new facility and the closing remark by Prof. Morgan that this is a "less-than-first-rate design . . . foisted upon this idealistic town" is simply not true as she has closely worked with the architects all the way through the design and construction phases to bring about what must be considered a masterpiece. Oswald W. Grube, Architect

Herrsching, West Germany

[SOM/San Francisco has designed many buildings of superior quality, but the recent ones showing "Post-Modern" influences fall short of expectations.— Editor]

P/A applauded

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If we are not all convinced that Post-Modernism is more than skin deep, its reportage is as zesty as Vogue once was.

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Onward! Jack Lenor Larsen New York, NY

Upward in Ithaca

It was a pleasure to see Ithaca's newest landmark, Center Ithaca, so prominently displayed on and in the July 1982 issue of *Progressive Architecture*. There is, however, a statement made in David Morton's critique (and repeated in one of the captions accompanying the flattering photographs) which is just plain wrong. The city did not decide "at the

last minute (during construction)" that the spiral stairs in the apartments were not permitted. The architects had been advising me as late as a month before the groundbreaking that the proposed stairways would comply with the New York State Building Construction Code. When plans were submitted showing spiral stairs which would not comply, the architects were notified accordingly, but only after I confirmed my interpretation with the staff of the New York State Building Code Council. Since many months remained before construction of the apartments would begin, the architects had more than enough time to appeal my ruling to the Council's Board of Review for a favorable interpretation or a variance; they did not take that opportunity.

I agree that the conventional stairways that were installed tend to dominate the apartments. However I believe that the real problem is with the size of the apartments, which are very small and in some cases barely meet minimum

code standards.

It is always easy to blame the code enforcement officials when some aspect of the design of a building goes awry. Although we are occasionally the culprits, it is ultimately the architect's responsibility to research the codes to avoid such pitfalls, and to design with some flexibility so that changes can be made when necessary without causing "major problems." In this case we are not the culprits, and it was disturbing to see that a prestigious publication such as yours would repeat such an allegation without checking its accuracy.

Thomas D. Hoard Building Commissioner Ithaca, NY

Amor en Miami

Just read P/A July 1982 issue. It has become apparent the magazine has lost touch with reality and the balanced reporting of the past has become overweight with junkie titillating monsters.

The Palace Apartment complex in Miami is an example close to home.

To state that Arquitectonica's work has exuberance and originality found mostly in the Art Deco hotels of Miami Beach is oh so true. Most of the Art Deco hotels in Miami Beach, except for the Shelbourne designed by Igor Polevitsky is tragic mediocrity at its best. To salvage most is a miscarriage of priorities

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The only redeeming feature to all this nonsense you have been publishing is that someday the mediocre work I have designed may eventually be given the recognition I so fully deserve.

F. Louis Wolff, AIA Wolff-DeCamillo Associates, Inc.

Ft. Lauderdale, FL

We are writing to express our concern over P/A's July piece, "Peeping into Pandora's box." The text celebrates a very large, very visible condominium apartment complex in Miami, Florida. A design which "anthropomorphizes the inert forms," creating "sexual imagery," is applauded ("The buildings themselves may engage in raw sexuality . . Aggressor slab penetrates slender slab

. Perfection may yet burn"). What it is about the character of Biscayne Bay or the intrinsic nature of a very large residential structure that cries for this sort of expression eludes us. The apparent commitment to symbolism for its own sake seems facile and arbitrary (unless of course the building symbolizes the continuing architectural

rape of Miami). The architect, in creating from the raw materials, has that rare opportunity to produce objects which symbolize

something greater—a special human emergence in opposition to the insults of time and nature. There is no question that Arquitectonica appreciated that such an opportunity for making an architecture rich in meaning and symbolism was presented by "The Palace"; we only wish that their response had been more sensitive to the particular circumstances of the building type and its context, and was more consistent with the really noble and wise and grandly human traditions of Architecture.

Andy Pressman, Intern Architect New York

Peter Pressman, Graduate Student Social and Behavioral Studies

in Architecture Princeton, NJ

The serious nature of housing does not demand that it be encased in a neutered form; nor does the glittering Biscayne Bay ask for anything tamer than the Palace's striking form. Moreover, the controlled expression of powerful human drives has always been the genesis of art, as it is the refinement of these drives that leads to "grandly human traditions." Their denial (or their dismissal as "rape") generally results in prissiness or blandness.—Editor]

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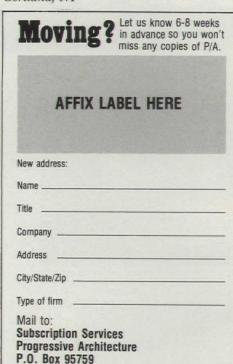
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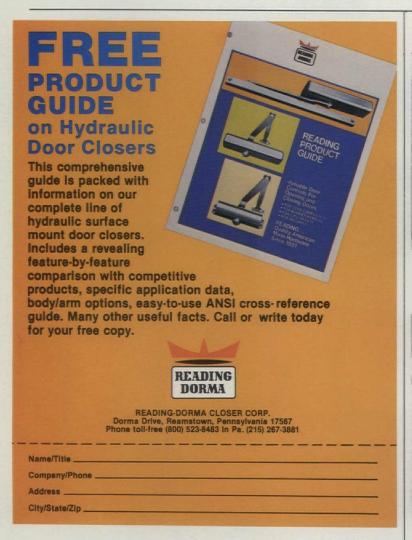
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It is regrettable that Joel Bostick's name

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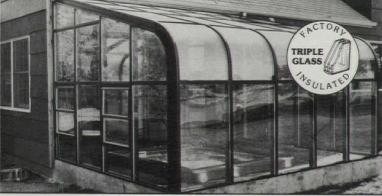
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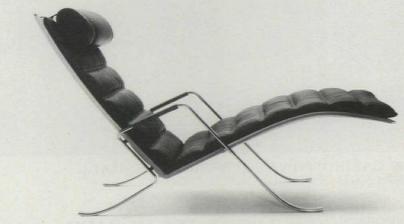
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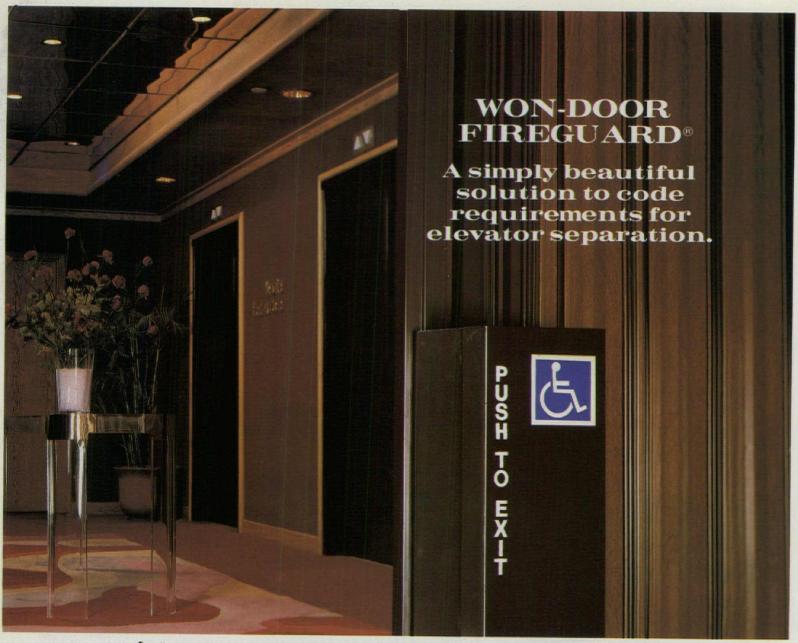




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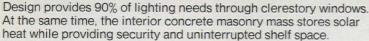
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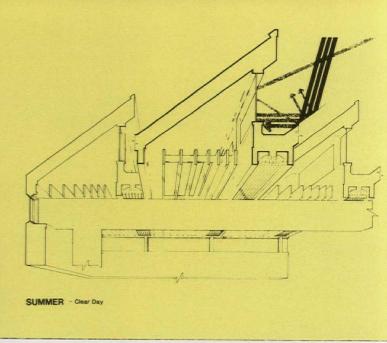
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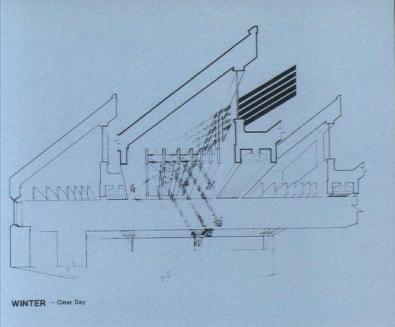
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Marc Schiff (left) and Edward Mazria, designers of the Trust Pharmacy and principals in Mazria/Schiff & Associates,





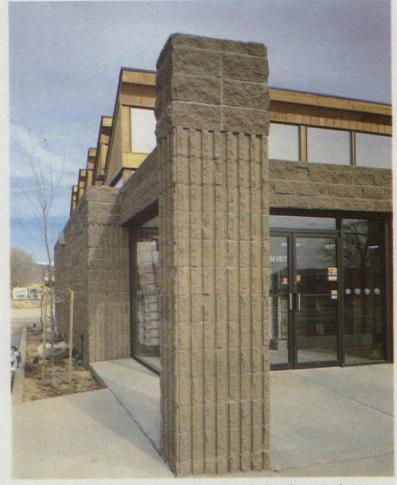


The entrance to the pharmacy, showing the series of clerestory windows providing both lighting and solar heating. The structure is faced with split ribbed concrete masonry units, accented with split block.

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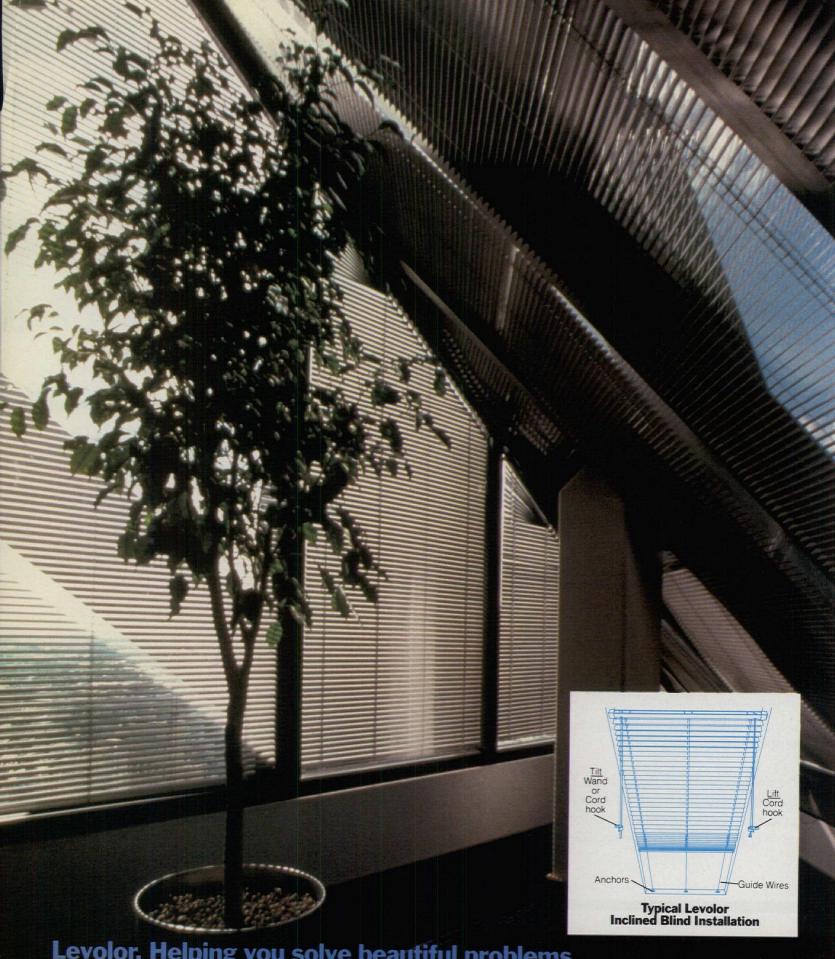
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### Pencil points

**Times Square** 

Philip Johnson has been named master builder of the four office towers forming part of the redevelopment of New York's Times Square. Developer George Klein has suggested the possibility of selecting individual architects for each of the buildings, but this plan has not been approved yet in official departments. Helmut Jahn's name has been mentioned as a possible participant.

It is rumored that Johnson proposed replacing the Times Tower with a plaza, but this option is contrary to the official

guidelines for the area.

#### After Brooke Shields

Not only is Mexican architect Luis Barragán designing a Calvin Klein shop in Rio (P/A, June 1982); he is also developing prototypes for one- and two-story Klein boutiques in 55 major cities worldwide: Paris, New York, Tokyo . . .

¶ He will then develop the design for the specific locations.

¶ Consultant: Ben Baldwin.

#### Barragán comes north

In the planning stage are several other projects by Barragán for American sites:

¶ a film studio cum winery and a house for director Francis Ford Coppola in Napa Valley, Ca;

¶ a museum of fine arts in Las Vegas;

¶ a house in Sarasota, Fl, for Ben Baldwin; a house near Santa Fe, NM, for William Sanders; and a house in Hollywood, Ca, for Ricardo Montalban.

Rube Goldbergs in Holland

Rem Koolhaas is designing a building in The Hague, which will combine a hall for the Netherlands Dance Theater, a police station, and community housing.

¶ And a 24-hour supermarket?

In Amsterdam, the Holzbauer/van Dam competition-winning design (awarded over a decade ago, and by now much altered) for a combination city hall/opera theater is going ahead.

Both the programmatic mixture and the site, in Waterlooplein in central Amsterdam, the location of an old flea market, have been hotly disputed since the intial

proposal.

#### Knoxville woes

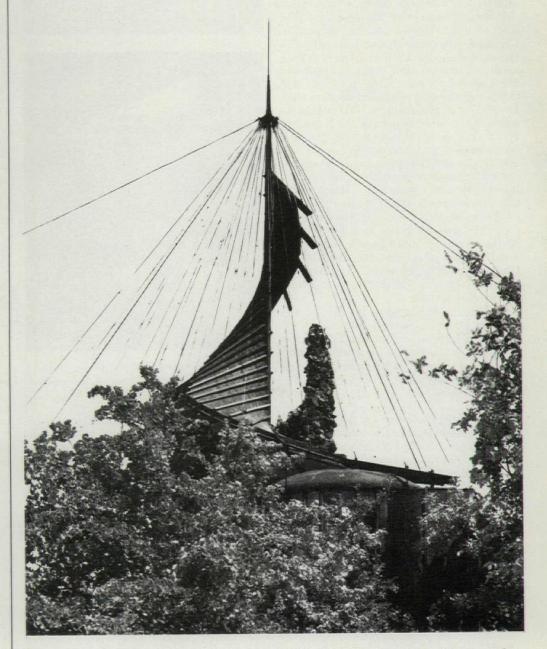
A rain storm in late July inflicted \$100,000 worth of damage upon the World's Fair in Knoxville.

¶ That, however, was minor compared to the \$31 million law suit that has been filed against the Fair's organizers on behalf of Mark Cardoso of Sevierville, Tn.

¶ The organizers commissioned Cardoso to design the Fair's symbol, and used this design to obtain World's Fair status. Cardoso's symbol, the "Tower of Power," had two towers, one with a sphere at its top.

¶ The organizers then approached Community Tectronics to develop a theme structure. Tectronics' design, the Sunsphere, is considered by Cardoso to be a plagiarized version of one of his towers.

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Bruce Goff: 1904–1982

When Bruce Goff died in Tyler, Tx, on Aug. 4, 1982, one of the last direct ties with an earlier era of Wright-inspired individualism was broken. The independent, unpredictable, and highly personal qualities that permeated his work appealed to his clients, for in his buildings their own individualism seemed better defined. Yet this same specificity, always at odds with dominant architectural fashions, sometimes made it difficult for others to understand or appreciate his work.

Goff's 1950 Bavinger house, Norman, Ok.

No single building by Goff is typical of his work, for each of his nearly 500 designs was consciously different in some way, and many radically so. The best broke all rules of spatial composition and indicated a broader potential of architectural design than most architects dared explore. Like most of his designs, that for a museum to house Joe Price's collection of Japanese art, on which Goff was working at the time of his death and which was then on display at the Whitney in New York (P/A, Aug. 1982, p. 22), was controversial and misunderstood, with critics drawn more to the unusual shapes and colors than to

Bruce Alonzo Goff was born on June 8, 1904, in Alton, Ks. He never attended college, but learned instead as an apprentice, beginning with the Tulsa firm of Rush, Endacott & Rush in 1916.

His first buildings date from 1919, and in 1929 he was made a partner in the firm. When the office closed in 1934 due to the Depression, he moved to Chicago, where he opened an office in the suburb of Park Ridge after working several months with Alfonso Iannelli. He enlisted in the Navy in 1942, and following the war practiced in Berkeley. In 1947 he returned to Oklahoma to teach at the State University in Norman. He was named chairman of the Department of Architecture in June 1947, and under his direction the program received international acclaim. He left the university and moved to Bartlesville. Ok, in 1956, to Kansas City in 1964, and to Tyler in 1970. Among his most fa-mous designs were the Boston Avenue Methodist-Episcopal Church, Tulsa; the Ford house, Aurora, Il; the Crystal Chapel project, Norman; the Bavinger house, Norman; and the Joe Price house, Bartlesville.

During the last years of his life, he was pleased by the renewed interest in his work and happily accepted many invitations to lecture and teach. It even seemed as if some of his beliefs were at last having tangible effect.

David De Long is chairman of the division of Historic Preservation at Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture and Planning. His two-volume book, The Architecture of Bruce Goff, was published by Garland Press in 1977.

## O'Neil Ford: 1905-1982

[David De Long]

O'Neil Ford died in San Antonio on July 20, 1982, at the age of 76, and to no one's surprise he directed his own funeral as deftly as he had directed so many other events in his life. The service was held in the chapel at Trinity University, which he designed, and by his instructions featured the Happy Jazz Band, brief remarks from old friends such as John Henry Faulk, and a stirring rendition of "Amazing Grace" from the congregation.

Ford's mythic stature in Texas often obscures his real achievements. Back in the 1920s, when Texas architects were importing most of their design ideas





Ford's Cecil Green Residence, Dallas (top) and the T. Jeff Building interior, Galveston (above).

from other regions and other continents, he was rattling all over the state in a Packard, sketching and photographing indigenous Texas buildings. He loved the warm limestone houses in the Texas Hill Country and was equally at home among the low, chunky adobe structures along the Rio Grande. Such buildings, he argued, fit the landscape and the climate as naturally as the trees and should be the prototypes for a modern Texas vernacular.

Ford's own houses, with their shed roofs, deep porches, and thick masonry walls, are abstracted, unsentimental versions of these vernacular originals. They are sited to catch the prevailing breezes and to soften the harshness of the Texas sun and wind. Many are decorated with hand-crafted doors, screens, and light fixtures, a bow to the Arts and Crafts movement that no other Texas architects have made.

But Ford was as well known for the buildings he saved as for those he designed. He moved from Dallas to San Antonio in 1938 to supervise the reconstruction of La Villita, a collection of 18th- and 19th-Century residential and commercial buildings along the San Antonio River. He stayed on to restore San Fernando Cathedral in San Antonio, most of the missions, Moody Plaza and the T. Jeff League building in Galveston, and dozens of houses, churches, and commercial buildings around the state. He was the conscience and the

chief propagandist for historic preservation in Texas, and frequently paid the price in lost commissions and blistering public criticism.

In addition to his houses, the best of which were designed in the 1950s and early 1960s, Ford will be remembered for the campuses at Trinity University in San Antonio and Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, NY, the first semiconductor building for Texas Instruments in Dallas (with Richard Colley), and the Tower of the Americas at the Hemisfair in San Antonio. But he was not a revolutionary designer, leaving it unclear how far his example and influence will extend. He scorned both Modernism and Post-Modernism, and his hand is scarcely visible in many of Ford Powell & Carson's recent commercial projects, particularly the large hotels and office buildings. He was more comfortable working on a smaller scale, where his skills as a carpenter and craftsman could be exercised along with his talents as a designer. His description of his beloved early Texas houses could serve equally well as his own epitaph: "real, straight to the point, not copied from anything, and romantic as hell." [David Dillon]

David Dillon is architecture critic of The Dallas Morning News.

## Old and new buildings house dance companies

San Francisco, second only to New York as America's dance center, is developing new homes-one distinctive new building, several remodeled old ones-for its dance companies. After ten years of planning, and bringing to fruition a nearly 50-year-old dream to unite San Francisco's cultural institutions physically, ground has been broken for the San Francisco Ballet Association's new home. Designed by Beverly Willis, the four-level structure scheduled to open in 1984 will be the country's first completely new facility to house all aspects of a major professional dance institution. Only its theater is separate—the company will continue to perform in the Civic Center's War Memorial Opera House across the street from its new location.



The San Francisco Ballet.

The 206' x 88' site will be built virtually to lot lines. The rectangular 66,500-sq-ft structure fulfills an exceedingly complex program that combines a gym, sound studio, and studios for ballet school classes and company rehearsals, plus lockers, showers, and lounge spaces. There is also administrative, library, and audio-visual facility space.

As a part of San Francisco's architecturally renowned Civic Center, the new building had to meet design criteria derived from consideration of the Beaux Arts-influenced Classical styling of the original buildings; these dictated the exterior materials and formal appearance. The elevations reveal interior functions through the different floor heights: The school, located on the first and second floors, has 12-ft ceilings; the offices, lounge, and locker areas on the third floor have 9-ft ceilings, and the fourth-floor rehearsal studios have 15-ft ceilings.

Most of the 100 or so dance companies in the Bay Area are housed, like repertory theaters, in second-hand space. But any old loft will not do, particularly for the company that has an ambitious program of public performances. The best loft space is usually found on the upper floors of older buildings where the spans are generous; but a performance hall many stories above ground level does not draw the public. Furthermore, older city buildings converted to new use must meet San Francisco's seismic code, and this added expense may price the conversion out of a company's range.

San Francisco's two foremost dance companies, the Margaret Jenkins Dance Company and the Oberlin Dance Collective, have surmounted these problems. The former is installed on the upper floor of a three-story loft building rehabilitated by Cathy Simon of Marquis Associates in 1977. This straightforward conversion of a typical loft space benefits from the broad spans of the older structure and its convenient location in the city's Mission District that is increasingly resembling New York's SoHo.

The Oberlin Dance Collective's new home is more complex and represents a major investment in civic culture. Architects James L. Tanner and Peter Van Dine converted a one-story, 5000-sq-ft garage into a lobby, theater, rehearsal, and curricular space and added a new 5000-sq-ft wing containing spaces for business, storage, dressing, and teaching. Van Dine, who is also on the company's Board, has melded the old and new structures in compatible ways. The new building fits particularly well with the neighborhood context in terms of form and materials. Its careful understatement matches the company's commitment to a serious enterprise concerned more with the form and content of its art than with window dressing. [Sally Woodbridge]



## Architectural art, art about architecture

Ricardo Regazzoni is a Mexican architect who arrived in New York four years ago with a Fulbright Fellowship. His research project involved an investigation of museum design, a subject with which he was familiar as he had worked on the design of 15 branches of the Anthropology and History Museums of Mexico, including the one in Puebla.

Regazzoni fell in love with New York, and after his research project was complete he remained there, turning his energies to the design and execution of a series of exotic wood columns.

The columns, of plywood finished in gold leaf, embody Regazzoni's deep-felt nostalgia for the architecture of Mexico—the old Baroque churches, the Arab, Hispanic, and Egyptian influences on the colonial architecture of his native country. They also reflect his integration of the work of masters who have struggled with age-old human problems: he mentions Bernini, Wright, and Brancusi and his endless column. Mathematically, the columns are based

on the spiral and relate to the Fibernacci series.

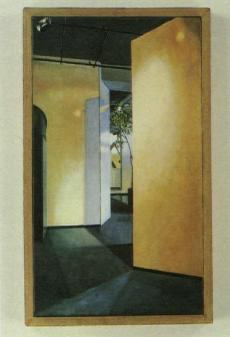
Regazzoni so far has built 15 columns (one was featured prominently in the Cooper-Hewitt Museum's "Columns" exhibition) of the 36 he has designed. Eight-foot-tall icons, they populate his nine-foot-tall loft, suffusing it with their golden aura.

If Reggazoni mixes his memories freely, combining sources in a most non-literal way, artist Anna Goth Werner has quite different aims. She wishes to document, as accurately as possible, current architectural spaces that she considers important, to create a record of an exciting architectural period using materials that won't fade as quickly as will photographs, and that will not deteriorate like the spaces themselves probably will.

For this record Werner has turned to classical documentary techniques, the most powerful illusionistic methods pos-

Regazzoni's burnished columns (above). Werner's painting of Graves's New York Sunar showroom (below left) and of Juan Montoya's office (below).





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sible given the limitations of paint itself. She wishes to break the barrier of the picture plane, to make the viewer feel

part of the scene.

Werner's compulsion to document literally does not preclude a personal approach, expressed in the choice of the subjects and in the vantage point taken. She is interested in spaces with a sense of grandeur and is excited by the clever use of light, especially when reflective surfaces multiply the luminous effects. She is fascinated by how architects are slicing into spaces, knocking people off balance, forcing them to look again. She

adores fake objects and strange shapes. She is especially pleased to see how architects are rethinking the use of color, and cites examples. Michael Graves, in his New York Sunar showroom, actually makes you feel daylight by bouncing fluorescent light off a particular paint shade. And in Juan Montoya's office, the effect of daylight is heightened by shiny surfaces: a white shiny wall under incandescent lighting looks golden, like sunlight; and a gray shiny wall under fluorescent lighting appears to be reflecting the afternoon sun. These effects delight her, and her paintings, she feels, help people to learn to look at architecture. [SD]

#### Rhode Island buildings on paper

The architectural history of Rhode Island is by no means a field unexplored. Credit for the original exposé goes to Henry-Russell Hitchcock, whose exhibit and book brought the state's extraordinary heritage to light almost 50 years ago. Marianna Van Rensselaer, Montgomery Schuyler, and later Antoinette Downing and Vincent Scully all have testified on the state's behalf, citing Newport in particular as the origin or epitome of American architectural developments. The latest offering is an exhibition "Buildings On Paper: Rhode Island Architectural Drawings 1825–1945," which opened in Providence, is now showing until September 15 in New York (The Metropolitan Museum and, appropriately, Ogden Codman's National Academy of Art), will be presented from mid-October to January in Washington's Octagon, and is accompanied by a hefty catalog.

What beyond the confirmation of prior scholarly conclusions can an exbition of Rhode Island architectural drawings possibly add to the carefully constructed record? Significantly, subject of study is not a history of buildings but of "Buildings on Paper," and Curators William H. Jordy and Christopher P. Monkhouse have supplemented the master works of major architects that populate conventional

histories with unbuilt projects by lesser knowns.





Watercolor by Norman Ishan for Newport Country Club competition, 1893 (top). R.M. Hunt's French Renaissance chateau scheme for Breakers, Newport, 1893 (middle). Hunt's Heywood residence, 1871, watercolor

The exhibit is organized by chronological periods, thereby simultaneously providing a record of evolving graphic techniques from the strictly symmetrical elevations and plans depicting Greek Revival buildings to the landscaped perspective of Picturesque stylists, to the elaborate Beaux-Arts elevations and plans exemplified by drawings of Richard Morris Hunt's Newport pal-

Furthermore, the drawings reflect the society's obsessions. The Victorian horror vacui is perfectly summarized in an 1874 anonymous Competition Drawing for Providence City Hall (which Jordy compares to a minutely detailed Victorian novel). Numerous Neo-Classical elevations of public structures are weighty evidence of the government's transformation from 18th-Century innovation to 19th-Century institution. The selfconscious and academic revival of Colonial Style architecture, spurred on by the Centennial and reflected in the work of such architects as Wallis Howe and Samuel Church, makes manifest the nation's burgeoning pride in its new-found heritage.

Other trends can be traced through the drawings. Beyond the obvious record of stylistic evolution and graphic developments, the exhibit implies the gradual progression of architecture from building trade to profession. A dependence upon European pattern books is gradually supplanted by an emphasis on original design. The drawing becomes an indispensable tool as the functions of builder and architect, once united in one individual, are separated. Architectural education becomes a significant factor as early as the 1820s when Alexander Jackson Davis began to teach and publish the principles of architectural drawing. The establishment of academic institutions-notably RISD in 1877—and the obligatory European pilgrimage taken first by Richard M. Hunt elevate the practice to professional status and raise architectural drawing to new levels of sophistication.

The exhibit falters, however, as it moves further along the timeline. An extraordinary richness of representation for 19th-Century architecture is not equaled for the 20th-Century entries; while the year 1945 may have provided a convenient cut-off point for curatorial purposes, the post-World War I work is, as Jordy and Monkhouse admit, a definite anticlimax. Aside from Kenneth Murchison's idiosyncratic Dunes Club of 1928 at Narragansett, few projects of this period rise above a certain stodgy competence in style as in graphics. Only two entries indicate the influx of Modernism, one, the crystalline sketch of an office building by Albert Harkness, and the other, Richard Neutra's house for John Nicholas Brown on Fishers Island, NY, a project that can be considered "native" only by virtue of its Rhode Island client.

Missing and lost drawings leave unfortunate gaps in the collection, as is the [News report continued on page 36]

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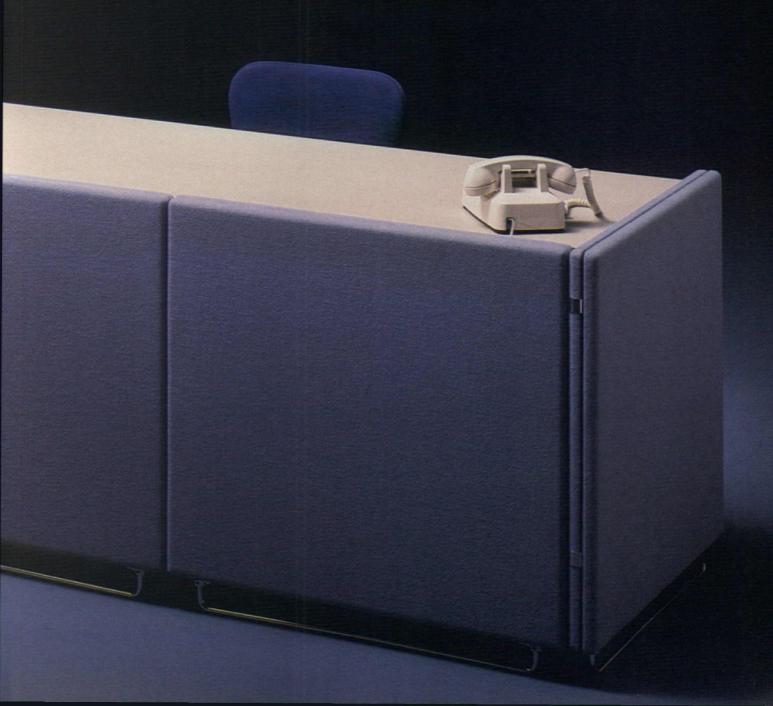
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case for early commercial and mill architecture. Other damaged works provide only a rough record; one casualty of note is the original Peabody and Stearns "Breakers" for Cornelius Vanderbilt II, the drawings for which, like the mansion they described, were almost completely destroyed by fire.

[Daralice Donkervoet Boles]

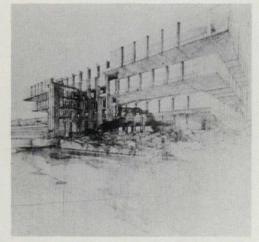
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#### Neutra: A balanced view

For Richard Neutra, the eclipse is over, its end signaled by an exhibition entitled "The Architecture of Richard Neutra: From International Style to California Modern" at the Museum of Modern Art in New York through Oct. 12. Those uninitiated in the rites of revisionism might ask why Neutra? Why now? But there is a suitable symmetry to the time and place of this exhibit. Staged 50 years after MoMA's International Style show first shined the spotlight on the Austrian émigré and 20 years after his autobiography was published from the shadows when the spotlight had already passed on, the show restores the fallen star.

As organized by Arthur Drexler and Thomas S. Hines, the exhibit includes early art work, architectural drawings and models, and black-and-white photographs of Neutra's major works. A chronological sequence illustrates the architect's evolution from apprenticeship in the studios of Loos, Mendelsohn, and Wright through such masterpieces as the Lovell, von Sternberg and Kaufmann houses. The final section offers a curatorial survey of quintessential Neutra details. It is a treatment uniquely appropriate to this detailist who, like Mies, spent a lifetime perfecting a limited but elegant repertory.

Both the exhibit and its catalog offer a balanced view of Neutra's career and do not dodge his limitations; "He wrote ballads, not symphonies," observes



Neutra design for League of Nations building, 1926.

Drexler. But if Neutra's larger works are problematic, such failures do not diminish the strength of his achievements, nor was Neutra's later-life defection the sudden scandal his purist contemporaries charged. Hindsight suggests that when Neutra reached for redwood, he was not forsaking the International Style, but placing it in context and relating it to site. In that sense, Neutra moved beyond Modernism and made the style his own.

[Daralice D. Boles]





The British Embassy, south front (top) and the Hicks-decorated Library (below).

## Lutyens rehabilitated in Washington

In the current enthusiasm for the work of Sir Edwin Lutyens (1869–1944), his only work on this side of the Atlantic has generally been ignored. The British Embassy in Washington (1931) never was considered one of Lutyens' great works, and it never will be. But a thoughtful restoration of the embassy's residential interiors proves that even lesser Lutyens can be richly rewarding.

We owe the restoration to Lady Henderson, wife of the previous ambassador, who had barely finished the round of reopening receptions when Sir Nicholas retired from the post this summer. She was able to marshal contributions of interiors products from British companies and the participation

of such designers as Laura Ashley, David Hicks, and John Stefanidis—one per major room. Upon completion of the restoration, a seminar and tour for architects was sponsored by Glen-Gery Corporation, a British-owned American brick manufacturer, whose product was used in new terrace planters.

The dependence on contributed ef-

The dependence on contributed effort resulted in an abundance of flowered fabrics and patterned carpets. But these interiors were never meant to be austere, and no amount of decoration could obscure their remarkable spatial sequence, which is at once elegant and quirky. The restoration has accomplished most in the rooms of strong architectural character—in particular the ballroom, where panels of smoked mirror were replaced and Classical ornament was restored to appropriate colors. We can again see what Sir Edwin intended. [JMD]

#### Chicago: Bennett, Byrne, and Wright

The revision and expansion of the Chicago architectural tradition continued this spring and summer with three exhibits that illustrate the Beaux Arts and the peculiar Expressionist-Eccentric heritage. At the Art Institute, the recently appointed curator of architecture, John Zukowsky, has developed a series of exhibitions, the latest of which is "Edward H. Bennett, Architect and City Planner, 1874–1954." Bennett, trained at the Ecole des Beaux Arts, is remembered, if at all, as Daniel Burnham's assistant. His name appears behind Burnham's on the "Plan of hind Burnham's on the Chicago," 1909. The Institute's exhibit of plans and views and an exemplary catalog by Joan Draper outline his major contributions to the Federal Triangle in Washington, DC, to Minneapolis, and to many other cities including Chicago. While his firm, Bennett, Parsons & Frost, would become involved with the increasing technical nature of city planning, Bennett always remained tied to the ideals of the City Beautiful—the city as a work of art. His great works, such as the Michigan Avenue Bridge or the Buckingham Fountain in Grant Park, illustrate the important Beaux Arts strain in Chicago.

At the Chicago Historical Society, a seldom seen alternative, the Chicago Expressionist-Eccentric strain, is seen in twin exhibits, Barry Byrne (1883-1967) and John Lloyd Wright (1892-1972), with a catalog by Sally Chappell and the late Ann Van Zanten, recently named curator of architectural collections. Byrne, an Oak Park apprentice of Frank Lloyd Wright, became one of the foremost Catholic Church architects. In the process he developed a genuine native Expressionist idiom that, while drawing upon Wright, the Continent, and Art Deco, treated buildings such as Christ the King, Cork, Ireland, or St. Francis Xavier, Kansas City, as ritualistic [News report continued on page 40]





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Bennett's Michigan Avenue Bridge, 1920 (top). Wright's M.J. Wood house, Escondido, Ca, 1912 (middle). Byrne's Immaculata High School, Chicago, 1922 (above).

vessels embodying both the intellectual and the emotional ideas of reformed Catholicism. Drawings of Byrne's major churches, schools, and earlier, more orthodox Prairie School work are exhibited.

John Lloyd Wright is more difficult to categorize. He was a close friend of Byrne's, but as the second son of Frank Lloyd Wright, he shows both more affinity than Byrne with the father and more serious rejection of his architecture. Exhibited are several examples of John's toy designs, including the Lincoln Logs, his answer to the Froebel blocks. His major works are in Long Beach, In, where in the 1920s and 1930s he developed a unique idiom of wit, puns, and references to indigenous American architecture and to his father's designs. After the war, he moved to Southern California, and this aspect received more attention in the

exhibit. Especially interesting is his preoccupation with ornamental works, notably his "Lichenaceous Ornament. which the texts of both the exhibit and the catalog seem to find uncomfortable, describing the coloration as "excessive. John Lloyd Wright's work deserves to be better known. [Richard Guy Wilson]

Richard Guy Wilson is chairman of the Architectural History Division of the University of Virginia's School of Architecture.

#### Piano demonstration in Texas

Houston's old Montrose neighborhood. dating from the 1910s, has evolved over the past several decades into one of the city's most interesting environments. Its texture of frame cottages and wellestablished live oaks is now marred by mixed-use intrusions, new development responding to its proximity to downtown, and a future where change is the

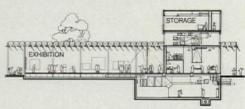
only constant.

One imminent change in Montrose is the proposed museum to house The Menil Collection, the first solo American building designed by Genoa and Paris architect Renzo Piano (who collaborated with the late Louis Kahn on the Olivetti-Underwood plant in Harrisburg, Pa, as well as, of course, with Richard Rogers and Sir Ove Arup & Partners on the Centre Beaubourg in Paris). The joint venture of Piano & Fitzgerald, Architects & Planners, Houston, will house a permanent home for the art collection assembled by Dominique de Menil and her late husband, John.

Under design for several years, The Menil Collection includes a complex land plan that attempts to preserve the existing context even while introducing a large building into it. In order to reduce the impact of an influx of visitors and a potential intensification of development, The Menil Foundation created a buffer: The site for the main building, adjacent to the site of the Rothko Chapel, is surrounded by cottages, some of which will be incorporated as related support functions.

The main building contains 70,000 sq ft of gallery spaces, processing areas, and archival support. Principal spaces are in a one-story structure ordered by a linear promenade linking an interplay of rooms and courts. Collection storage, curatorial offices, and archival research facilities are housed in a penthouse. The basic structure consists of a Mies-like exterior frame infilled with panels recollecting the wood siding of neighborhood cottages. The principal design feature, however, is a composite





Menil Collection exhibition area module (top) and section (above).

roof structure of ductile iron trusses and ferrocement "beams" comprising the main span of interior spaces.

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As ground-breaking approaches, research is reaching final stages. Recently, a full-size module was erected to refine the configuration under actual conditions, with typical art pieces installed

temporarily.

Renzo Piano, recently elected honorary Fellow at the 1982 AIA Convention, feels that The Menil Collection incorporates a spectrum of concerns into the design: contextual requirements, the needs of a unique institution, and the integration of the construction process. As his first building in the United States, with completion scheduled for 1984, The Menil Collection museum will likely be evaluated as a demonstration of Piano's architectural views.

[Peter C. Papademetriou] [News report continued on page 44]



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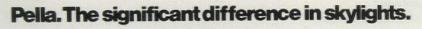


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## Celebrating Kurokawa's success

If Sony's president is Japan's Horatio Alger, Kisho Kurokawa is its Cinderella, even if at times he seems to have designed his own glass slipper. The Institut Français d'Architecture in Paris (the new "Centre Pompidou" of architecture) has made the astounding Kurokawa the subject of its second exhibition devoted to a living architect.

The Metabolic movement that he launched at the age of 25 in 1958 made him the subject of international exhibitions by 1960. The power of his critique of monofunctional Modernism was enhanced by the facility with which the young man passed from references to Buddhism to the reading of Jane Jacobs (whom he translated), and from small-scale structures reminiscent of traditional architecture (National Children's Land, Yokohama, 1965) to plans for new towns (Hishino, 1966). Metabolism, a biological model of urban phenomena, promoted the coexistence and interconnection of the fluctuating and the dynamic. Profiting from the ambiguities his theory harbored if not fostered, he applied highly industrialized methods to the construction of a capsule tower, using Buddhist principles to justify the creation of space-age minimal existence living units (Nagakin, 1972). This did not preclude a fascination first with the quality of detailing and then with the use of nuances of grey, which culminated in his seminal article, "A Culture of Grey," (Japan Architect, 1977). The new theory of Rikyu Grey renews Metabolism's flexible symbiosis of ambiguities and contradictions. Kurokawa now moves effortlessly from citations of 17th-Century tea masters to the words of Martin Buber and Charles Jencks (whom he also translated). Rikyu Grey provides the historical reference for a synthesis of forms, planar differentiation, heterogeneous colors, and antagonistic materials. The intermediary zones of cities and buildings that were formerly intepreted as material and palpable spaces are now represented as abstracted, dematerialized spaces, of which the corner of the Saitama Prefecture Fine Arts Museum (Urawa, 1982) is the architect's preferred example.

Produced by the Institut Français d'Architecture in close collaboration with the architect and entirely made in Japan, the exhibition is flawed by an overabundance of self-publicizing elements and the somewhat arbitrary distribution of the documentation (150 photos and 9 models), which makes it difficult for the viewer to arrive at his own critical assessment. The works of art exhibited-bronzes, woodcuts, and furniture (the latter might be dubbed Mackintosh-Metabolic)—differ substantially from the usual gallery production of works-on-paper Post-Modernism. The exhibition demonstrates Kurokawa's ability to maintain his original high standards while at the same time ad-



Kurokawa's Shoto Club.

ministering a multinational firm that is building in Libya, Abu Dhabi, Bulgaria, and Germany. The brilliant but impatient generation of young French architects will learn much from the example of a man whose early career closely resembles theirs. [Hélène Lipstadt]

Hélène Lipstadt, a social historian and anthropologist, writes frequently about contemporary architecture and architectural history.

## A road is a road is a presidential library

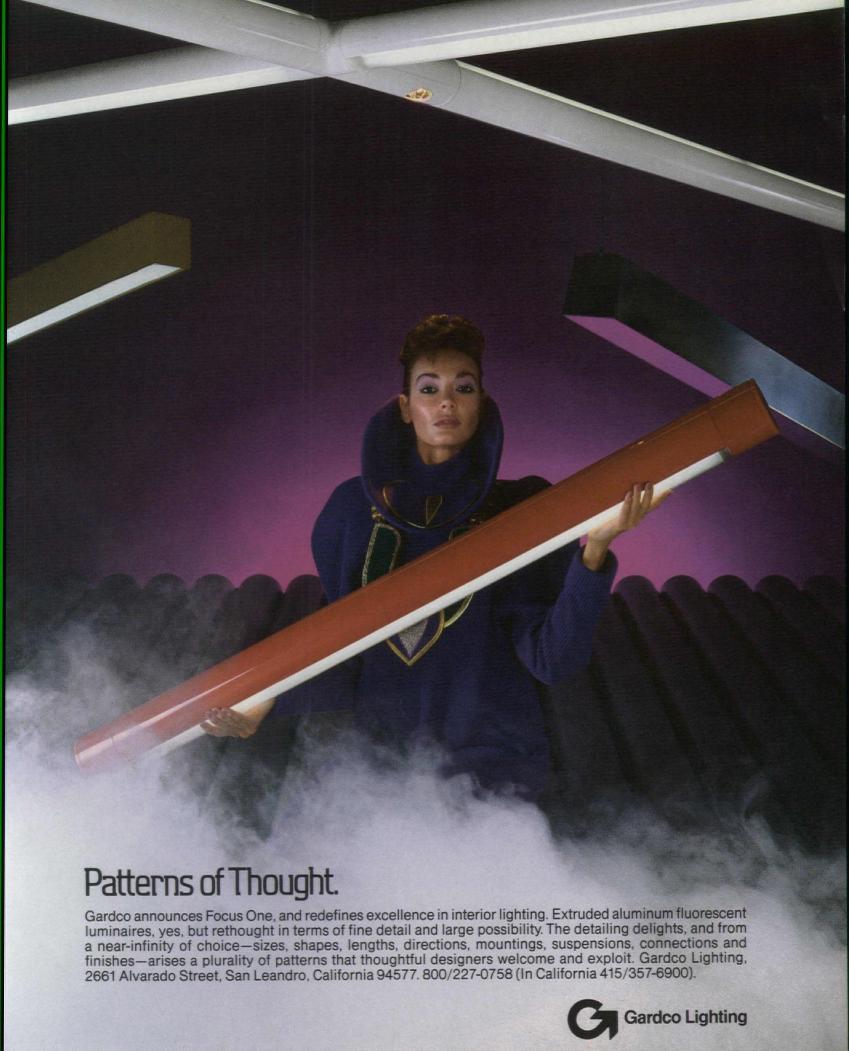
Through the efforts of several groups of predominantly white middle-class professionals who have been gentrifying the older neighborhoods surrounding Downtown Atlanta, I-485, a complex of four-lane highways and connectors in Northeast Atlanta was stopped in 1973, after the land had been purchased and cleared, but before construction had actually begun. For the past nine years, the land has remained cleared, and proposal after proposal has been offered unsucessfully for alternative uses.

In 1974, Mayor Maynard Jackson proposed a "Great Museum Park" designed by James Hill Wylie, Atlanta. Its site model collected a great deal of dust down at City Hall.

In 1976, several different groups of planners devised a scheme that would reroute the insistent highway along existing railroad rights of way. Because this would have entailed the purchase of additional land, it was rejected out of hand

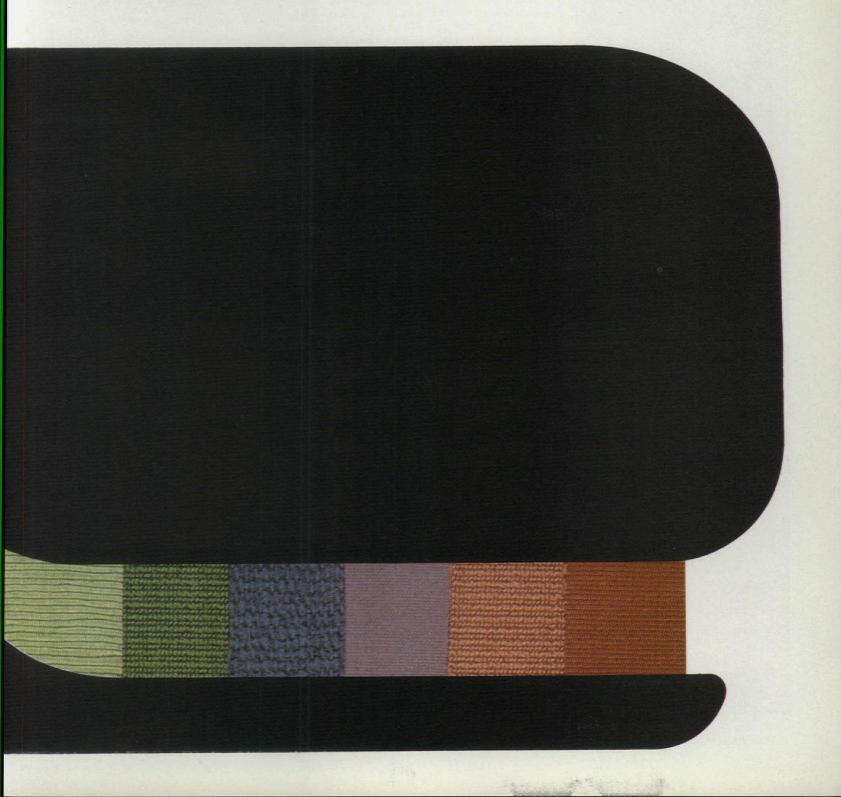
George Busbee, Governor of Georgia, entered the picture in 1979 by commissioning John Portman & Associates, Atlanta, to "solve" the Great Parks/highway dilemma. Portman, an obvious promoter of downtown (location of his Peachtree Center and the Merchandise and Apparel Marts) came up with a proposal that buried the highway and had medium-density housing and parkland at grade. This proposal was rejected because of the high cost of tunneling.

Late in 1981, it was suggested that the Carter Presidential Library be located on the site, in the Great Park. In order to get to such a facility, there would have to be a four-lane access road. Back in 1973, however, Governor Carter appeared to be the hero of the "Stop I-485" movement. But now, former [News report continued on page 48]



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President Carter appears to be an instrument for the highway lobby to get its way. Carter invited four Atlanta firms, Jova/Daniels/Busby, FABRAP, Heery, and John Portman to a design competition for the Presidential Library early this year. After full presentations were made, no word came forth regarding a winner. An article in the May 31 Newsweek referred to a three-building library scheme, with no mention of a winning architect. At this writing there is talk of Hawaiian architect Herbert Lawton designing the library in cooperation with a Georgia firm. However, no official comment has been made even admitting that a competition was held.

On the heels of the Carter Library proposal, Mayor Andrew Young unveiled the latest proposal for the Great Park. This scheme, developed by Paul Muldawer, Atlanta (architect of the solar-heated Inaugural Pavilion for Jimmy Carter in 1976), calls for single-and multi-family housing, parkland, the Carter Presidential Library, and a fourlane parkway sunk into the ground like the Rock Creek Parkway in Washington, DC. Mayor Young, an opponent of I-485 in 1973 when it was going to split his congressional district, is now running into the same opposition that everyone who preceded him has met.

What is being questioned by the "Intown Perrier Chic" (as political commentator Tom Houck has dubbed them) is the appropriateness of another limited access highway in an era of increased energy and transportation costs, the appropriateness of a presidential library remote from any other research or academic facility, and the appropriateness of a large park in a city that is rich with parks, but too poor to maintain properly the ones that it already has. Perhaps Atlanta's most pressing need-housingought to be considered the most appropriate use of this land. By returning the cleared land to its original exclusive use-single- and multi-family housing-Atlanta could regain its lost taxpaying population instead of allowing the white flight suburban taxpavers easier access to Downtown.

As to the design of the presidential library, Carter appears to be characteristically indecisive. Late in 1981, he held an unofficial competition, inviting Atlanta architects FABRAP, Jova Daniels Busby, John Portman & Associates, and Heery & Heery to submit designs. The results of that competition have not yet been announced, but it seems that there has been a great deal of behind-the-scenes shuffling. [Jon Carlsten]

## Venice Biennale '82

The Venice Biennale, now in its 40th year, has always been an exhausting exhibition. This year was no exception, with its contents spread among four far-flung locations.

Walter Pichler's work, which filled the





Pichler's Mobile Figure (top). Dardi's new pavilion (above).

Austrian pavilion, was the most interesting. He and Hans Hollein, who selected the material, both consider that ritual is the basis of architecture. Pichler for the past many years has withdrawn to his farmstead at St. Martin in Burgenland, where he has built extensions to house mysterious ritualistic creations with such names as the Great Reaping Machine, the Great Cross, the Torso, Crowns, Birds, and a Mobile Figure, all designed by Pichler and built on site. The spirit of these has been captured in a new interpretation for Venice, with sketches and models of actual and future structure.

The Mobile Figure is a sinister-looking affair in various metals, clad in a red robe, standing in a replica of its own Glass House. Nearby were the three Birds with a model of their house, as well as Crowns and the Torso—all in bronze, all abstract, and all exerting a sinister presence.

Robert Smithson's sculpture was selected as the American contribution to [News report continued on page 52]

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the Biennale. It consisted of a retrospective with sketches, models, and photos. Surprisingly, nothing more recent than 1972 was shown by this highly versatile young artist.

Erzsebert Schaar, unfamiliar in the West, is an elderly woman who has been concerned with spatial concepts since the 1920s. The Hungarian pavilion is filled with her work, spaces and planes in which a figure appears, expressing solitude and alienation.

Raymond Mason, who represents Britain, used epoxy resin and acrylic gouache for his moving industrial scene, "Tragedie dans le Nord," which projects about five feet into the room. José Abad's baroque layered constructions of black-painted wood interspersed with mirror dominate the Spanish section.

At the entrance to the main section of the Biennale stands one of Alejandro Otero's huge stainless steel constructions, visible from afar, proclaiming his dominance of the Venezuelan pavilion. His steel and glass and light mobile models are very pretty, and reminiscent of Nicholas Schoffaer or even Moholy-Nagy.

A much-debated new pavilion is being built across a small canal, the first for several years. Designed by Constantino Dardi, the space-frame and wood-panel structure looks somewhat flimsy among its sturdily built neighbors. [Monica Pidgeon]

## New deal in Miami Beach

A light has appeared at the end of what seemed to be a long, dark tunnel for the Miami Beach Art Deco District. Barbara Capitman, president of the Miami Design Preservation League, has announced the formation of a private limited partnership of 85 backers that will invest \$6 million for purchase or renovation of seven of the Art Deco hotels: the Carlyle, Cardozo, Senator, Victor, Oceanfront, Leslie and Cavalier.

Thus armed, Capitman appeared before the Metro Dade County Historic Commission in August to urge them to enforce the Metro preservation law until a new ordinance can be worked out in Miami Beach. The board requested the city attorney to review all local preservation ordinances with an emphasis on Miami Beach's, and report back to them by Sept. 9 (just after the Metro ordinance comes up for its annual review before the city commission).

The Miami Beach City Commission, as expected (P/A, June 1982, p. 37), passed its own preservation ordinance, on July 6, which allows the planning commission to designate buildings as historic landmarks, but only with the consent of the owner. This law takes precedence over the much tougher Metro law, which does not require owner consent. Although the Miami Beach ordinance was passed by a unanimous vote, member and former mayor Leonard Haber returned to the commission one week later to urge them to reconsider the owner consent issue.

The Miami Beach ordinance especially endangers the one-square-mile Art Deco District, which encompasses approximately 800 historic buildings. The area is the nation's second largest historic district (after New Orleans' French Quarter) and its only 20th-Century district. The disruptive addition of new buildings out of character with the otherwise homogeneous neighborhood might threaten its district designation and federal tax benefits for the restoration of those buildings that remain.

For its part, the South Florida AIA remains mute on the subject. Its president, Walter Martinez, has set up a task force to study the situation in depth and come up with a policy statement "sometime in the future." [R]]

## One man's meat

Architects have made little headway into subdivision housing, and a recent Washington, DC, experiment is a case in point. Arnold Palmer/Buckley velopment Corp., hoping to make a few PR points in a waning market, engaged four up-and-coming firms in a limited competition. For \$2000 in fees, they were to design the interior for a subdivision house (selling price: \$250,000) on a paper budget of \$90,000. The developer promised to build the winner. [News report continued on page 58]



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"Open up possibilities," he said. And architects Cass & Pinnell, Martin & Jones, Cross & Little, and Amy Weinstein did so-to their taste. Three of the four filled the existing rustic Maybeck-goneto-seed shell with colonnades and poché. One put a room-sized miniature archetypal house in the corner of the living room. How a buyer—one who liked the outside well enough to continue-might react was beside the point to the architects, involved as they were in an unrestricted competition.

The developer, for whom "possibilities" meant the likes of sunken living rooms, was aghast. The jury, on which the author served, proffered a compromise: Choose the best and work with the architect on a marketable design. Amy Weinstein's was chosen and the prognosis for the collaboration is good. But the developer left the jury, convinced that architects had nothing to offer him. And most of the architects left feeling had. [NM]

## National Building Museum competition winners

Ball State University received first award in "Saving Energy in Historic Buildings," a national design competition among U.S. schools of architecture. The product of student efforts led by faculty member Harry A. Eggink, Ball State's scheme was for the historic Boyce

Block (1880) in downtown Muncie, In.

Juror James Marston Fitch called the finalists' entries "refreshingly sober analyses of serious problems, with none of the 'Post-Modernist' whimsy which so often surrounds reuse projects." Fitch and fellow jurors Cloethiel Woodard Smith, FAIA, and Richard G. Stein, FAIA, also gave a second award to a team from the University of Oregon, led by professor C.Z. Brown, for redesign of the Union Iron Works in the San Francisco Bay. First and second award winners and their schools received awards totaling several thousand dollars. Smaller awards were granted to finalists from North Carolina State University, the State University of New York at Buffalo, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the Universities of Arizona, Kansas, and Cincinnati. The works of finalists and winners will be exhibited at the museum and featured in a publication. The National Building Museum was joined in sponsoring the program by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, with support from the Brick Institute of America, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the American Institute of Architects, the National Institute of Building Sciences, and the U.S. Departments of Energy and Housing and Urban Development. [Thomas Vonier]

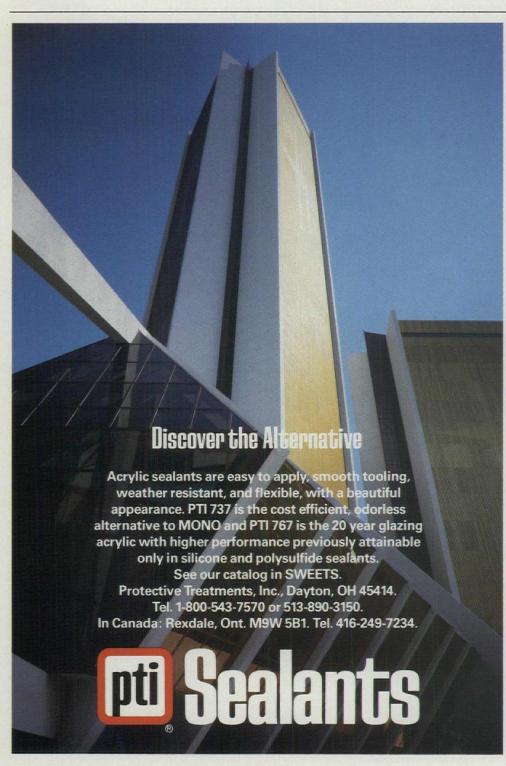
## Ideals and obsessions: SF conference

"Architecture and Ideals: Lifetime Commitment to an Idea" was the theme of the second annual conference sponsored by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and the San Francisco Center for Architecture and Urban Studies, July 14-17 at the San Francisco Art Institute. Donlyn Lyndon, Nathaniel Owings, Edmund Bacon, Fumihiko Maki, Lawrence Speck, Herb Greene, Frank Gehry, Raquel Ramati, Herman Hertzberger, and Paul Rudolph spoke about their life and work in architecture.

Rather than state their ideals—only Paul Rudolph acknowledged the present difficulty of having any—the speakers tended to offer lengthy presentations of their life's work, leaving the audience to decipher the ideals behind

the designs.

Fortunately, Don Lyndon's opening statement gave some help in threading the conference together. "Architecture's real purpose," said Lyndon, "is to provide people with opportunities to position themselves physically and metaphorically in space in ways that enhance their sense of well-being in relation to things and people." Both Ed Bacon and Raquel Ramati restated this idea in urban design terms: Bacon spoke of his work on Philadelphia's Penn Center, and Ramati, in reviewing her work for New York City's Mid-Manhattan Planning Commission, affirmed that public spaces must be [News report continued on page 62]



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The most eloquent testimony to the ideal of caring for human well-being before form was Herman Hertzberger's exhaustive presentation of his work, which left no doubt that, at least in Holland where middle-class standards appear pervasive, this caring works.

Not all the speakers put people first. Frank Gehry's devotion to the positioning of objects in space and the exploration of the nature of materials certainly enhances the enjoyment of the participant/observer, but is more prescriptive than permissive, as is Fumihiko Maki's arduous process of differentiat-

ing form into symphonic sequences. The last speaker, Paul Rudolph, described architecture as "used space modified to satisfy man's psychological needs." Here again the architect is the proper modifier, and although Rudolph acknowledged the chorus of other voices that intervene, he admitted that he preferred a solo.

The overabundance of images and inarticulate thoughts presented by the speakers left little energy for defining ideals, if any, and clarifying positions. That ideals entail commitment came through loud and clear. But the difference between commitment and fixation, and consequently between ideals and obsessions, was not made clear—more's the pity. [Sally Woodbridge]

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#### Residential response to NEOCON

The first Chicago Design Fest, an exposition dedicated to residential furnishings, will be held Sept. 30-Oct. 2 at Chicago's Merchandise Mart.

¶ Events will include the 21st annual state conference of the Illinois Council/AIA; seminars; tours; and receptions.

¶ Philip Johnson will be honored for his 'outstanding contribution to architecture and for furthering preservation' (notably, his efforts to save Richardson's Glessner House);

¶ Architectural Digest editor Paige Rense will be presented a 'distinguished service to the profession' Golden Award;

¶ Twelve leading American interior designers will be honored.

#### Skowhegan charrette

Winning team in a charrette competition held by Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture were Connecticut architects Robert Page and Peter Millard.

¶ Other teams who spent a week on site designing new library, gallery, and studios for the 36-year-old Maine summer school: Turner Brooks and Ross Anderson, Fred Koetter and Susie Kim, Ralph Lerner and Richard Reid, John Scholz and Jeremiah Eck.

¶ Jurors were Architects Graham Gund, Charles Moore, and Robert Stern, school academic director Sidney Simon, and painter alumnus Alex Katz.

### Arquitectonica in South America

The Florida firm of Arquitectonica has been commissioned to design a large bank in Lima, Peru.

¶ The Banco de Credito of Peru will begin with a 300,000-sq-ft first phase, and will eventually approach a million sq ft in area.

Big bucks Beverly Hills competition Architects Charles Moore, Moshe Safdie, Arthur Erickson, Frank Gehry, Gwathmey/Siegel, and Eisenman/Robertson are each being given \$25,000 to prepare competition design drawings for a \$70 million civic center on 10 acres in Beverly Hills. ¶ Jurors include Ricky Wurman, M. Paul Friedberg, Esther McCoy, Tony Lumsden, and Dan Solomon.

#### Los Angeles museums

The architectural committee of the Los Angeles Museum of Modern Art has finally accepted a design by their chosen architect Arata Isozaki (P/A, June 1982, p. 39), and the models of that museum as well as of the ARCO wing of the LA County Art Museum (P/A, March 1982, p. 25) are being shown through December at the Schindler House in LA.

#### Gehry doings

Frank Gehry is designing the Air and Space Museum for Exposition Park in Los Angeles, and an amphitheater for the 1984 Louisiana World Exposition.

¶ Gehry's Rough Edges furniture, shown in New York at the Protetch Gallery (P/A, July 1982, p. 25), is now traveling. Next stop: the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston.

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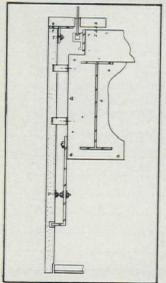
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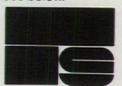


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Through Sept. 18. Lawrence Halprin, Recent Project/Design Sketches. Philippe Bonnafont Gallery, San Francisco.

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tectural Club. The Art Institute of Chicago.

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**Through Sept. 30.** From Village to City in Ancient India. British Museum, London.

**Through Oct. 3.** Grand Central Terminal: City Within the City. New York Historical Society, 170 Central Park West, New York.

Through Oct. 9. Peter Wilson: Project Drawings. Philippe Bonnafont Gallery,

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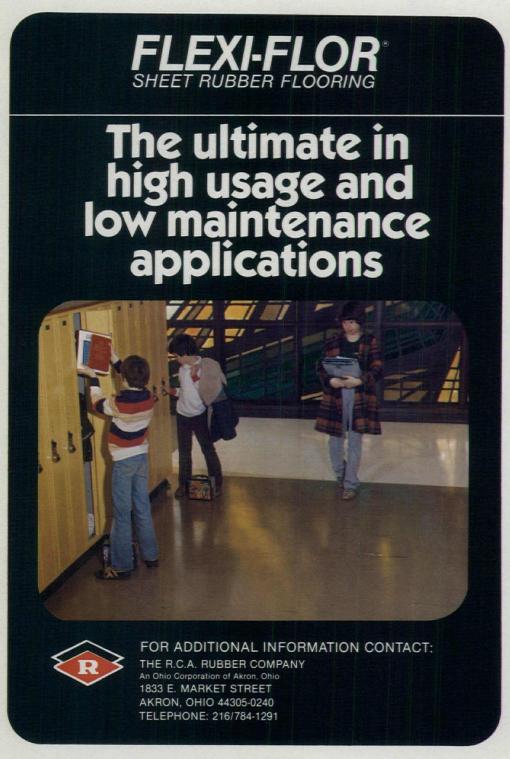
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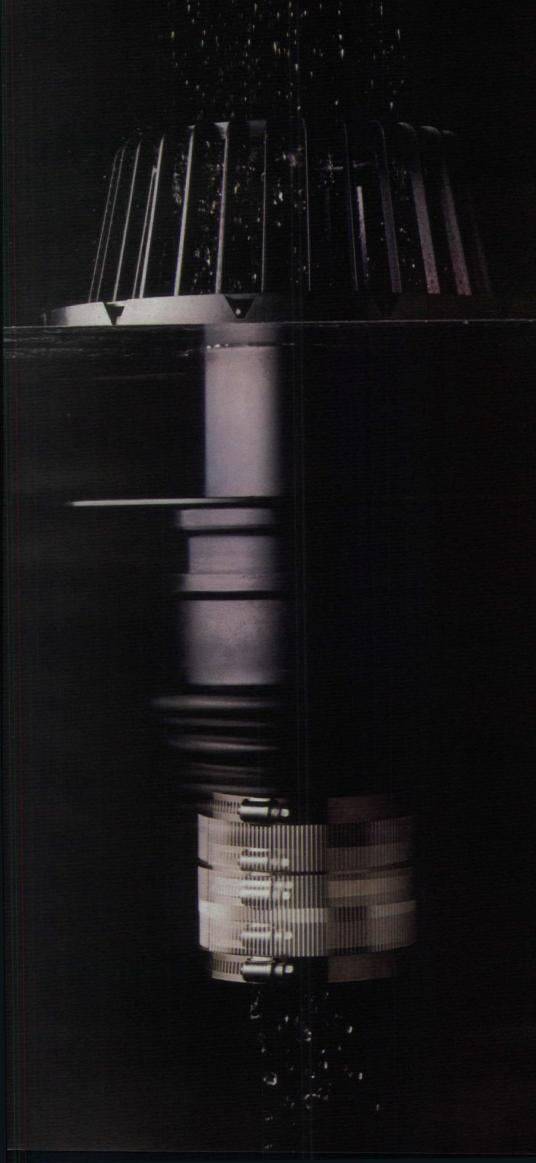
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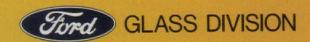
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## Perspectives

## The first "Post" Modernist

The coming exhibition (Nov. 4-Dec. 4) at the Architectural League of New York, entitled "Precursors of Post-Modernism, Milano 1930's" provides us with the opportunity to suggest that we drop the "post" from Post-Modernism. If Post-Modernism represents an attempt to recuperate traditional and timeless values through the use of native architectural motifs as well as the classical vocabulary of architecture, then Post-Modernism began in Milan in 1919 when the young Giovanni Muzio started designing a large speculative apartment block at the intersection of the Corso Principe Umberto and the Via Moscova. As the scaffolding came down in 1922, the people of Milan dubbed this building the Ca' Brutta, the ugly house, a name that has remained, albeit affectionately, till this day.

A local association of architects and engineers called unsuccessfully for the demolition of this building as an aesthetic affront to the city. Instead, the Ca' Brutta initiated a new movement that came to dominate the post-war housing boom in Milan. The style was called Novecento, which means architecture of the 20th Century. Novecento architecture was popularized on the pages of the respectable art journal *Emporium* and then in *Domus*, whose editor Gio Ponti soon became a leading designer as well

as promoter of this style.

In its decorative application of the classical elements of architecture and its repeated use of the aedicula motif as an image of the little house, Milanese Novecento must be seen as part of the Europe-wide "return to order" after the physical and psychological devastation of World War I. Reacting both against the pre-war avant-gardes of Futurism, Cubism, and Dadaism and to the historical eclecticism that reigned in Italian architecture, the Novecento architects sought to create a modern-day equivalent to the serene and harmonious Neoclassical architecture of the late 18th and early 19th Centuries in Milan. Faced with the potential anonymity of the modern apartment block, Novecento architects used their decorative palette to modulate the surface to impart rhythm, color, and scale to their designs. Lest with our penchant today for irony we misinterpret the goals of these architects, it should be remembered that Muzio has spoken of the "metaphysical" or absolute quality which he strove to





Muzio's Ca' Brutta in Milan (top). 1930 Milan apartment building entrance (above).

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Martin & Jones's Barclay House (top). Venturi, Rauch & Scott Brown's Park Regency condominium entrance (middle left). Terragni's Albergo Metropole Suisse in Como (above). Lancia and Ponti's 1927 Palazzo Borletti, Milan (right).



achieve with the decorative treatment of the surface at the Ca' Brutta.

When the second wave of Italian modernists, the self-styled "Rationalists' of the Gruppo 7 or Milanese Seven published their first manifesto in December 1926, they thanked the Novecento architects for having rid Italy of its previous architectural disorder. They faulted their elders, though, for having fallen into a sterile formula of applying broken pediments, arches, niches, and small obelisks in a cookbook manner. The Rationalists were heady with the promise of "a new archaic age" whose primitive values paradoxically were heralded by the advent of a machine civilization. Their bibles were Le Corbusier's Vers une Architecture (1923) and Gropius's Internationale Architektur (1925). Yet before they gave form to a new rationalist architecture, both Pietro Lingeri and Giuseppe Terragni began their careers with Novecento works of considerable merit.

Choose any Post-Modernist building today, and you can find a precursor in the Milanese Novecento. Whether it is the subtle stripping away of the outer façade to reveal a different inner skin, as in the Martin & Jones residential block in Foggy Bottom, or the thinly applied ornament of Venturi, Rauch & Scott Brown's highly symbolic "signature piece" condominium for architects in Houston (P/A, Feb. 1982, p. 22), the issues were raised in the 1920s and 1930s by Milanese architects. Perhaps the greatest irony can be found in Philip Johnson's current enthusiasm for Post-Modernism. The oversized stringcourses at 1001 Fifth Avenue and the broken pediment on top of the AT&T building, both in New York, were standard Novecento motifs. Yet one half century ago, Johnson relegated to the silence of non-history the young pioneers who could not accept the radical vision of what Johnson and Henry-Russell Hitchcock would popularize as The International Style. Neither the Milanese nor the Roman Novecento had any place in their book nor in those by other chroniclers of Modern architecture. Today, American and European architects feel a need for a modern but traditional architecture much as their predecessors did in Italy just after the Great War. Now that commentators have convinced us that we are in the throes of what constitutes a "post" modernism, we are beginning to discover that this type of architecture has been with us for a long time. [Richard Etlin]

Richard Etlin teaches architectural history at the School of Architecture, University of Maryland. As a Fellow at the American Academy in Rome and as a post-doctoral Fulbright Scholar, he recently studied modern Italian architecture between the two World Wars, and is writing a book on the Novecento and Rationalist movements.

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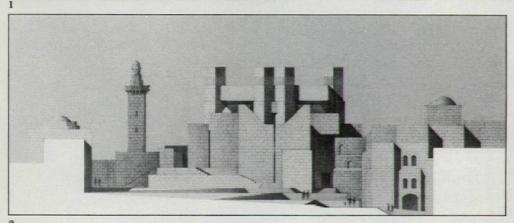
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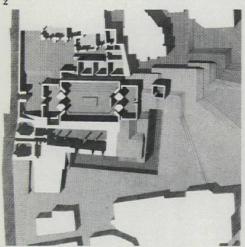
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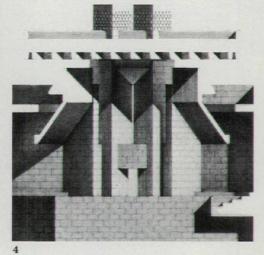
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Lasdun and Kahn in 1970 (1). East elevation (2), detail (3), and plan (4) of Lasdun's design. The old Hurva arch (5).

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### Lasdun takes over from Kahn

A concrete arch now marks the spot in the Old City of Jerusalem where a synagogue has stood since the 13th Century. The Hurva Synagogue has been destroyed and rebuilt before, the last destruction occurring in 1948, when the Jordanians invaded the Jewish quarter.

Louis Kahn was invited to design a replacement for this edifice so important to the Jewish faith, but his death prevented the completion of the drawings. Sir Denys Lasdun was appointed architect in the late 1970s at the suggestion of the Jerusalem Committee, and his design has now been accepted by almost all concerned.

It seems, however, that President Begin is not committed to the idea of building a new structure in the Old City, even though new buildings already exist opposite the Wailing Wall—the seminary by Safdie and the house for the Recorder of Israel. He is more interested in reconstructing the previous 19th-Century Byzantine-style gogue, an impossibility, according to Lasdun; and while he remains ambivalent, the Jerusalem Muncipality will not give the go-ahead. Mayor Teddy Kollek, however, is convinced that approval will come. In May, Lasdun was instructed to make some minor revisions to save money, but with instructions from Kollek that the design must not be changed.

Lasdun considers the design as a formal abstraction of the flat roofs, tiny alleys, and small squares characteristic of the ancient City. The central space itself is felt to be a piece of the City set aside for higher purposes. The building stands on high ground with a gently amplified scale still retaining the grain of the City. From close, the Hurva is seen to be rising between and out of other buildings—an architectural mass emerging from the diversity of the City.

Walls incorporate existing stones. The roof is heavy precast concrete sections with external ceramic fascias and coffered soffits. Windows are set in deep slots with reversed reveals concealing the frames from the outside. Light, texture, and the acoustical dimension of space are intended to stimulate an imaginative response from the worshipper. Emphasis is on smallness and simplicity. Lasdun explains that the formal vocabulary and the underlying themes of the design of the Hurva have evolved over the years from his previous buildings, notably the Royal College of Physicians, the National Theatre, and the European Investment Bank-all involved with the "interpretation of human relationships through the medium of space and the fusion of interior sequences with the grain of urban surroundings." The Hurva continues these themes, just as Palladio's churches not only share features with his villas, but were regarded as an embellishment of the city. [Monica Pidgeon]



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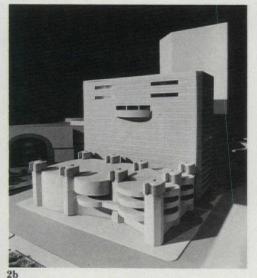
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## In progress

1 Penn Square, Washington, DC. Architects: Martin & Jones, Washington, DC. A deteriorated 1930s movie theater serves as the basis for this 100,000-sq-ft mixed-use development that includes residential, office, and retail space. All that will remain from the theater are the sign, projection booth, and a marvelous curved entry canopy. The project is composed of two new brick buildings behind the old theater structure, which includes a courtyard. A passage under the new structures connects the courtvard to the street at the rear. The design is a synthesis of the Federal and Victorian styles that predominate in the area. Art Deco motifs are used at the entry, on the through-block passage, and in the shopping arcade. The project is currently on hold pending a decision by the client. [CK III]

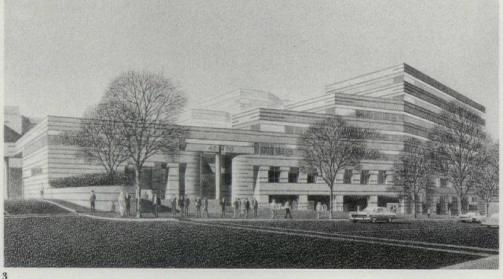
2a & b Alley Theater Center, Houston. Architect: Morris-Aubrey Architects, Houston. Directly adjacent to the Gus S. Wortham Theater Center (P/A, May 1982), a related project

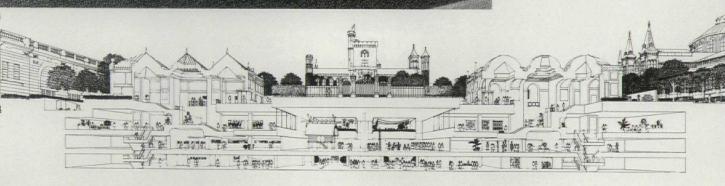


for the existing Alley Theater (1968, Franzen & Associates) provides 50,000 sq ft of additional performance spaces as a 21/2-story 'cornice" of a 121/2-story parking structure. Approximately 1000 parking spaces serve theater patrons and tenants of the nearby RepublicBank Center which is, like the two theater centers, a project of Gerald Hines Interests. The expansion space for the Alley Theater will house rehearsal halls, scene shops, offices, and possibly a theater. A tunnel will join the project with the Wortham Center and the underground Civic Center garage, and 12,000 sq ft of retail space is projected for the ground and basement levels. A semicircular balcony overlooks the Alley Theater and echoes similar features of the existing building. The drive-through allevway will be extended through the new building. The structure is cast-in-place concrete, with primary finishes of granite aggregate precast panels with bronze reflective glass. [PCP]

3 4250 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, DC. Architects: Hartman Cox, Washington, DC. This \$20 million neo-Art Deco office and retail structure that has been compared to a giant Lego block building was the winner of a design competition sponsored by the Washington Metro Transit Authority. Located over the Van Ness station on upper Connecticut Avenue, the striped building, which wraps around a sunny courtyard, is set for completion by the end of the year. Above the third story, the floors step back to reduce the 450,000-sq-ft bulk, in keeping with the scale of the neighborhood. The design calls for tan and dark brick, red-painted concrete columns, and red and black metal trim. It has a vaguely Egyptian or Babylonian look and certain "witty" touches, including a number of stylized capitals for which there are no columns. [CK III]

4 Center for Eastern Art and Museum for African Art, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC. Architects: Shepley Bulfinch Richardson & Abbott, Boston, Ma. These two new Smithsonian museums will be located for the most part underground, beneath the Victorian Garden behind the Castle building. Each museum will be entered through its own above-ground pavilion, with the Museum for African Art to the east of the South Quadrangle (right in the section) and the Center for Eastern Art on the South Quadrangle. Both will share exhibit and research facilities in the three underground levels. Congress has authorized, but not appropriated, \$75 million for the project, and the Smithsonian is raising the remaining \$75 million.





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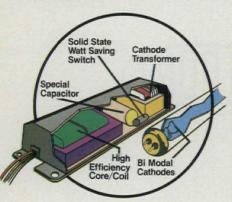
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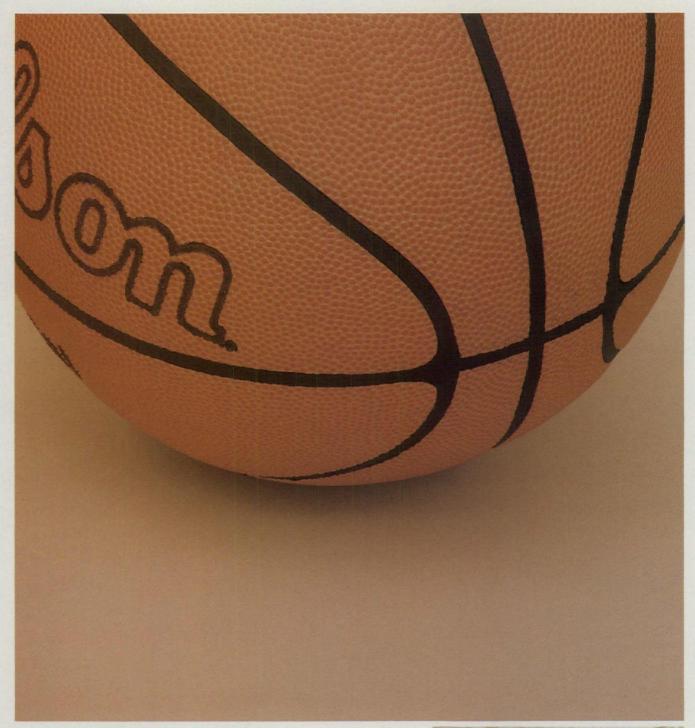
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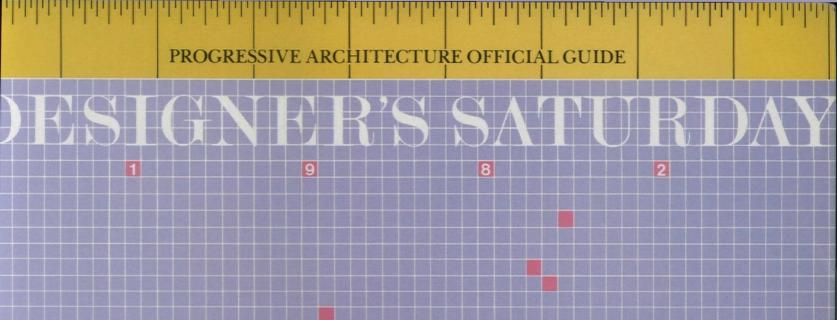


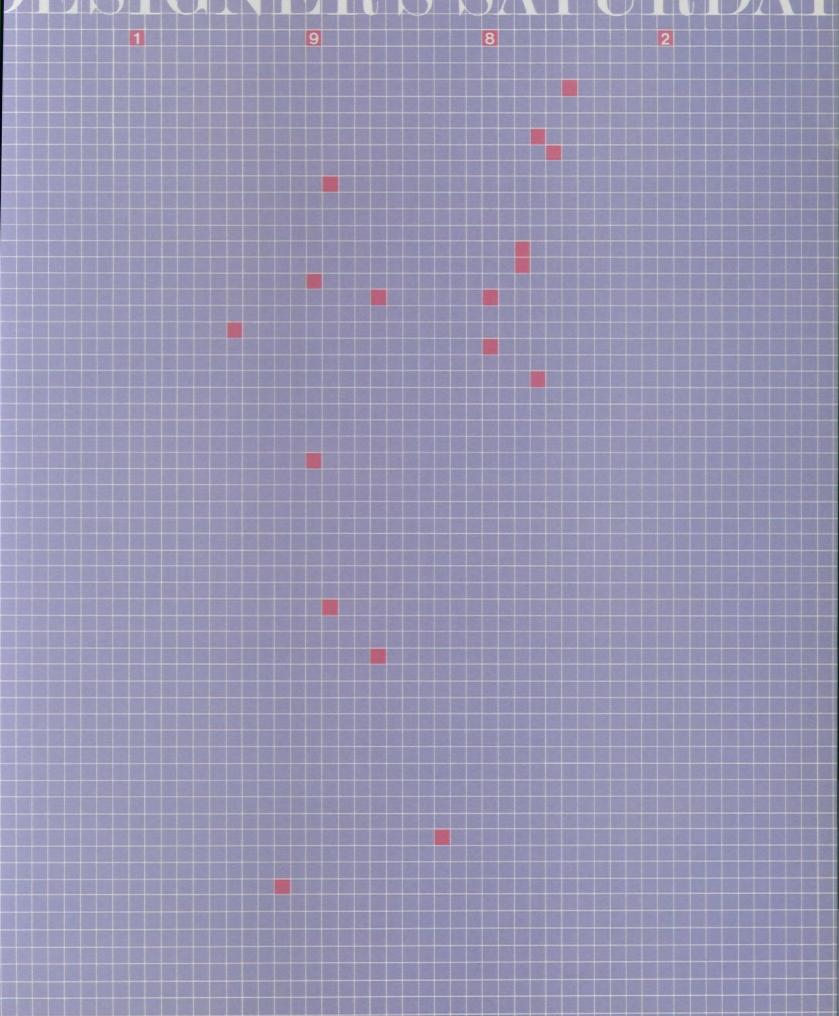
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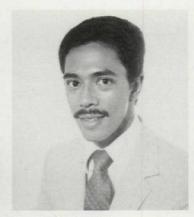
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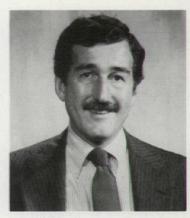
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This year marks the fifteenth annual Designer's Saturday in New York. On October 14, 15, and 16, 44 manufacturers of contract and residential furnishings will open their showrooms to architects and interior designers from around the country. Originally started by a group of 14 manufacturers, the event was intended to give desk-bound young architects and designers an opportunity to see the showrooms and products at leisure, rather than on the run. The number of showrooms participating grew each year, with eight new members joining the group in 1982: All-Steel; Alma Desk; Artemide; Brayton International; Corry Jamestown; Howe; Kinetics; and Metropolitan. This number is indicative of the startling growth of the event; in 1980, there were only 30 mem-

The continued growth of Designer's Saturday is the subject of frequent discussion and debate, with some members arguing that big is not necessarily better, and wondering just how much is too much. But the arguments for expansion are strong. Fred Seeman, president of Helikon Furniture and the founding father of Designer's Saturday, is definitely pro growth: "Our initial intent was to start a New York market, since New York has always been the capital of furniture design in America. The more firms we have as members, the more important this event will be. We are a designer-oriented market; I hope that one day, Designer's Saturday will be to the furniture design world what the Paris collections are to the fashion world—a place to see the latest in design."

Along with the eight new members, Designer's Saturday has added a new event to its schedule. Thursday, Oct. 14 (a day that was formerly devoted only to students' showroom visits), will be Designer's Saturday's first Facilities Management Day. A seminar, "designed to stimulate executive thinking" about the electronic office, will take place from 8:30 A.M. until noon, at the McGraw Hill auditorium, 1221 Avenue of the Americas. Speakers will include office automation consultants Thomas M. Lodahl, who will speak on "The Office of NEAR Future," and Wilford A. Lewis, whose topic will be "Creating Conceptual Spaces."

Following the presentation, a panel discussion will include facilities managers Garvin Nathaniel of AT&T and Mike Woodford of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, and Neville Lewis, chairman of the board of Neville Lewis Associates, interior designers. After the seminar, the audience is invited to visit the 44 member showrooms to see new products, meet with company executives, and share a light lunch.

On Friday and Saturday, Oct. 15 and 16, the showrooms will be open all day for viewing, with the weekend winding up on Saturday evening with a gala reception at the Met-

ropolitan Museum of Art.

In P/A's guide to Designer's Saturday, you will find, along with information on the member companies and their featured products, a page of Art Spots-for whiling away a quiet Sunday; and Food Spots-that may help answer the eternal Friday- and Saturday-night question, "Where shall we go

Prior to Designer's Saturday, on Oct. 13, The Architectural League will sponsor "The Architecture of Display: Showrooms," a discussion with Lella and Massimo Vignelli and Robert A.M. Stern, with C. Ray Smith moderating, at the League, 457 Madison Avenue, (212) 753-1722, at 6:30 P.M.

The cover of P/A's guide is part of an overall graphics program, including a logo, showroom map, and promotional mailing material for the event, designed by the New York firm of Donovan & Green, the winner of this year's Designer's Saturday graphic design competition.

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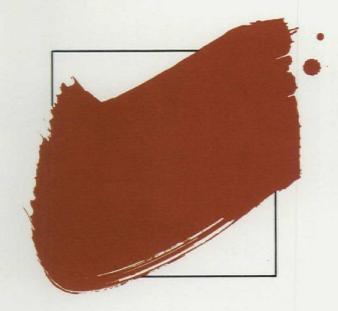
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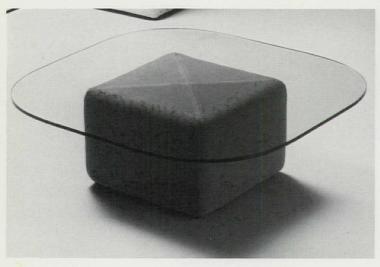
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#### Arconas

Ontario-based Arconas Corporation has, for the past ten years, been involved in the manufacture of seating under license from European designers, such as André Vandenbueck, Michel Ducaroy, and Ponthus. They have also added new groups by designer Jim Howell, such as the Howell tables (shown above). These tables feature upholstered bases of high-resiliency urethane

with glass tops that float on acrylic mounts. In addition to the Europeans and Howell, Arconas has its own designer, David Burry. Showrooms are in New York, Chicago, Toronto, and Montreal. Circle 102 on reader service card



From the traditional office setting to the A.D. open plan system, Alma Desk company has been producing a variety of furniture for 96 years. One of its newest examples is the Zucomat chair (shown left) from Switzerland. This chair comes in six styles, all with pneumatic height adjustment, and features polished aluminum base or brown epoxy base. Alma manufactures and markets 19 different lines complete with desks, seating, tables, and credenzas. Currently, open plan systems represent about onethird of Alma's sales, but that figure is expected to double in the next five years. Showrooms are in High Point, New York, Chicago, Atlanta, and Dallas. Circle 101 on reader service card

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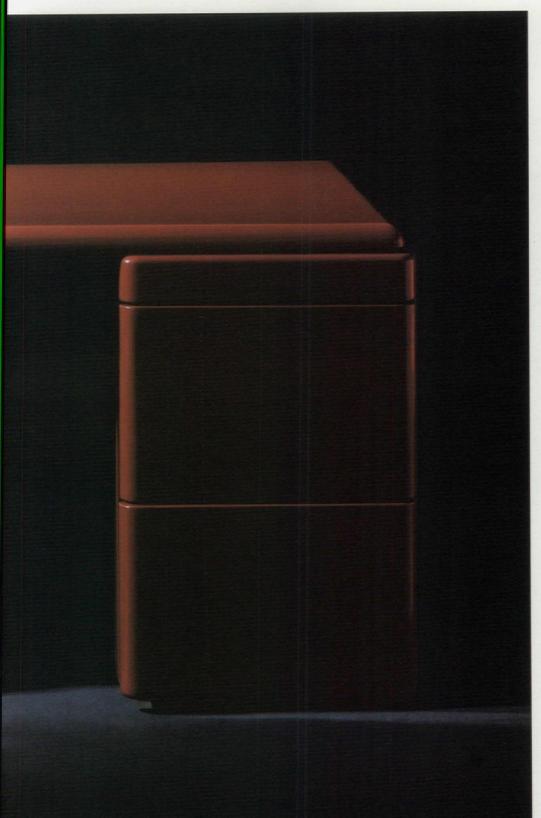
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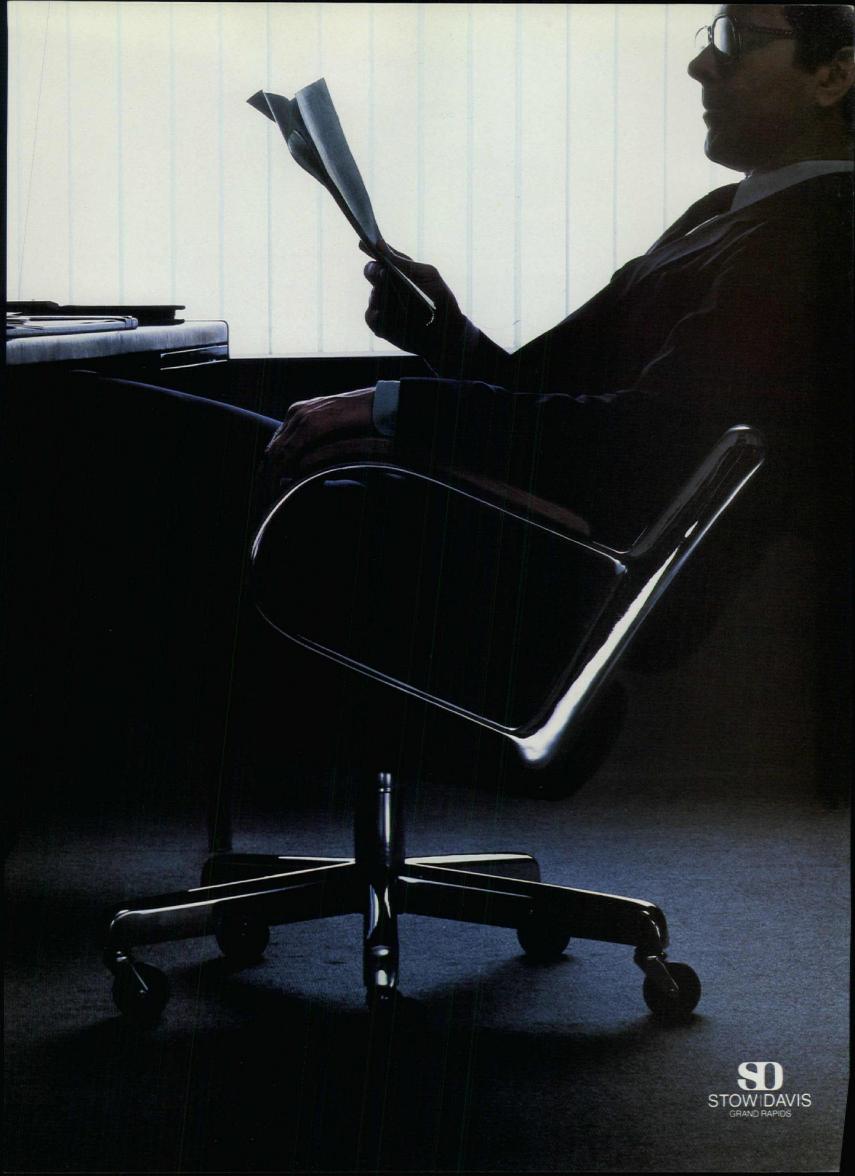
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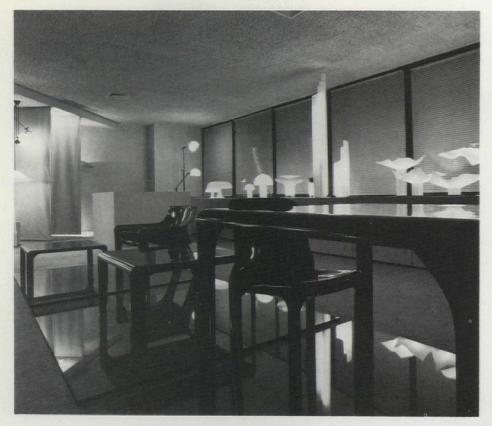
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#### DESIGNERS SATURDAY

SHOWROOM HIGHLIGHTS



#### **Artemide**

Artemide's New York showroom (shown left) reflects the company's concentration on halogen lighting in the future. During Designer's Saturday, a specially printed brochure will be available, giving specific information on halogen lighting and explaining its energy efficiency and other advantages. Ernesto Gismondi, halogen lighting designer and engineer, will be available to answer questions. Artemide also produces molded plastic furniture for indooroutdoor use. This line uses Artemide's own plastic raw materials such as Reglar, a glass-fiberreinforced polyester, and Reglarflex, a reinforced polypropylene. Artemide offers two-week delivery on lighting items; four weeks on furniture. Circle 103 on reader service card



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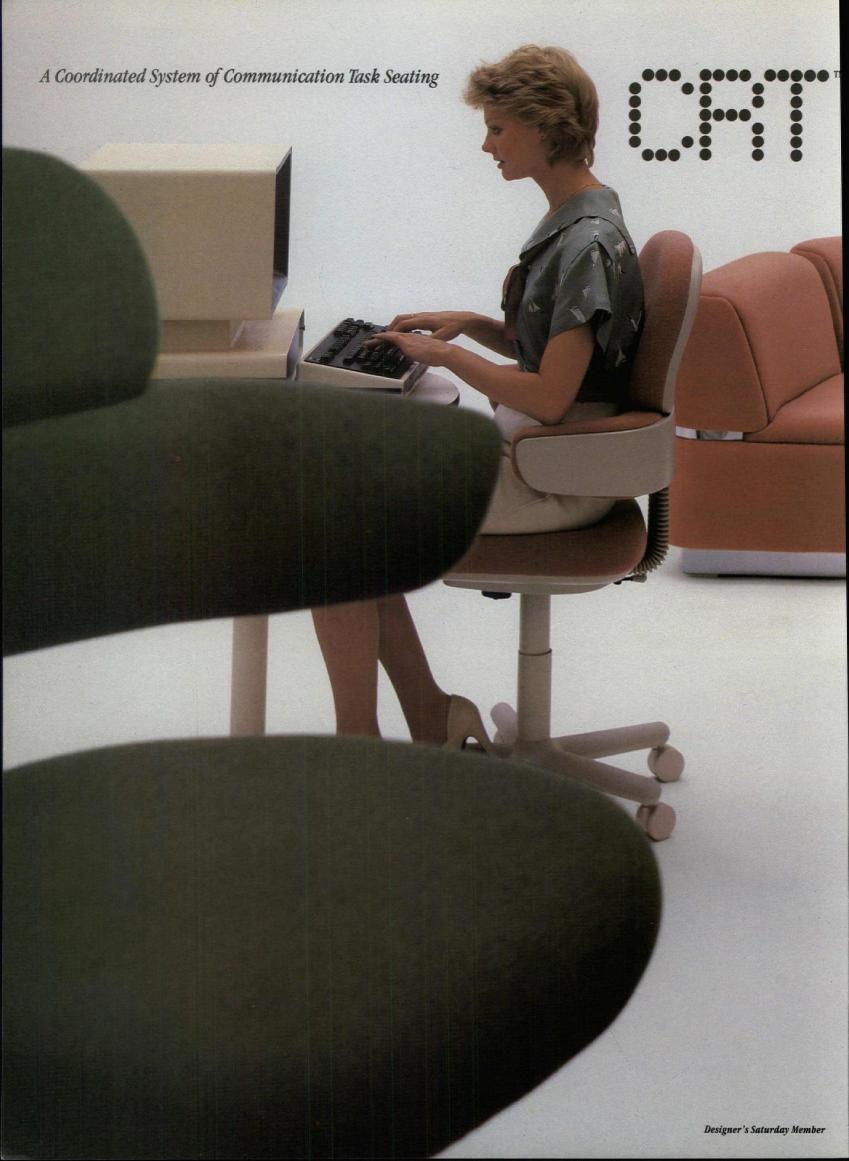


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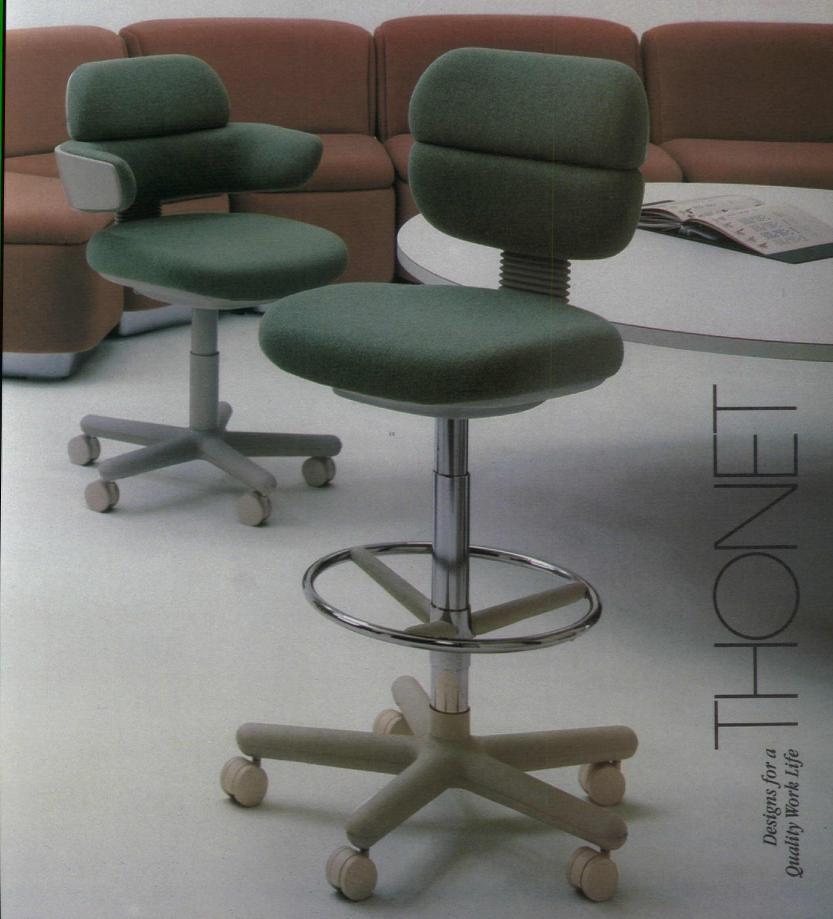
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**Beylerian** 

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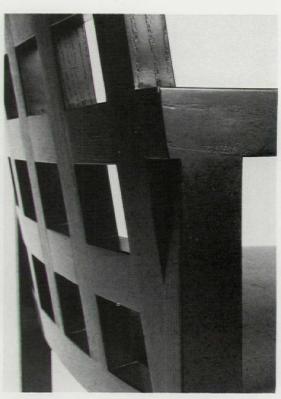
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**Brayton** 

For nine years, Brayton International and its fabrics division, Brayton International Textile Collection, have offered designs from Europe for both residential and office markets. With its European partner Walter Knoll and Company, Brayton introduced designs from Michael Knoll, Burkhardt Vogtherr, Enrico Tonucci, Matti Halme, Jurgen Lange, and Preben Fabricius. Brayton has expanded from an 8000-sq-ft facility in High Point, NC, to a 140,000-sq-ft world headquarters, with design teams in High Point and Europe. The Linea Collection (shown above) by Burkhard Vogtherr will be on display at Designer's Saturday. Circle 107 on reader service card



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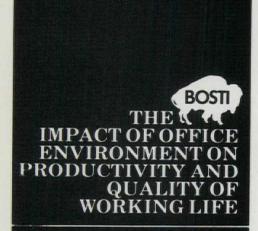
Brickel Associates, Inc., with designs by Ward Bennett, was founded in 1959 as Brickel-Eppinger. In addition to Ward Bennett's designs, such as the early Bumper chair, the completely carved wood University chair, and his newest, the Grid chair (shown above), nine new chair designs, currently in various stages of development, will be introduced over the next year and a half. Brickel's interest in chair design has taken it into the publishing field, with a new book entitled The Wood Chair in America.

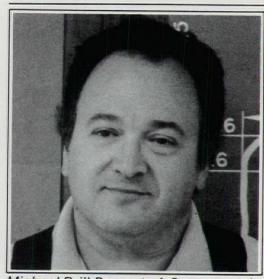
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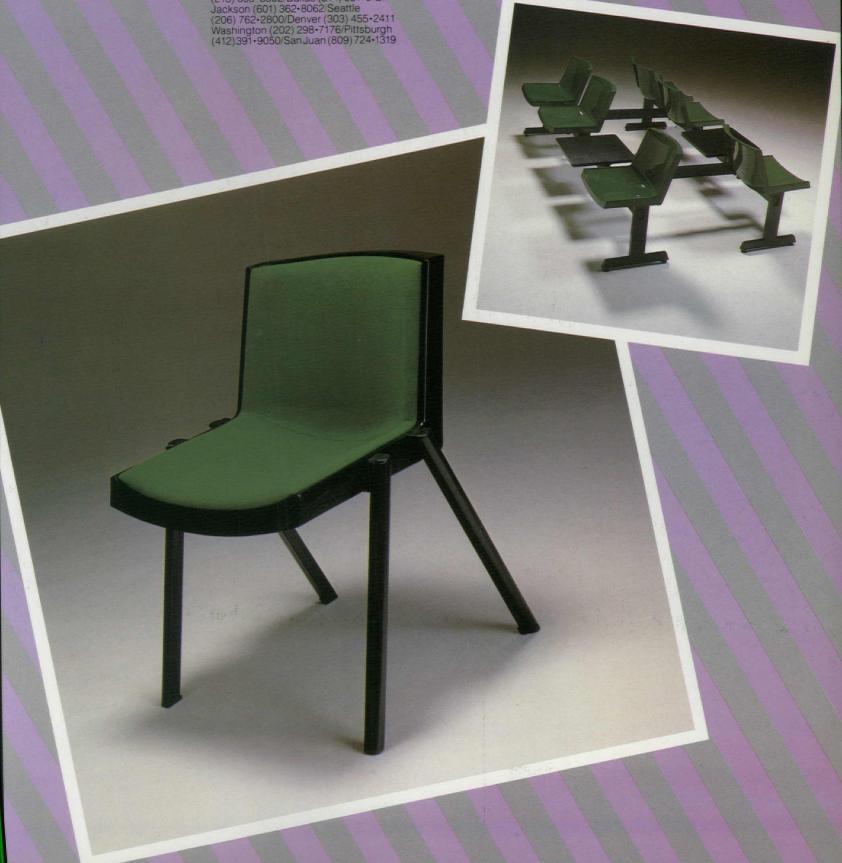
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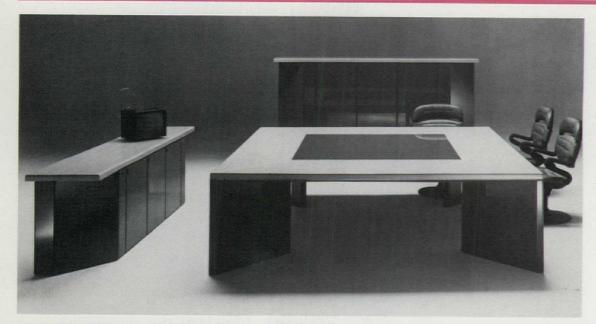
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#### **■** Castelli

Castelli's entry into the Designer's Saturday market will be a new line of managerial office furnishings called Dolmen (shown left). Its intent is to create furniture that is both utilitarian and prestigious. Gino Gamberini directed the development of the furniture not as a group, but as individual pieces, which are unified in design by the 45-degree angles present in the supporting structures of the tables and desks, and at the sides of bookcases and credenzas.

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#### CI Designs

CI Designs employs a large inhouse research and development staff, along with a close relationship with outside designers and architects. The company aims to maintain a balance between innovation and production, to create an environment for experimentation with new designs. During Designer's Saturday, CI will introduce the Magic Office #84 bentwood arm chair (shown above) designed by architect Warren Platner. The chair fea-

tures rounded, bentwood arms and legs. It is available in either white oak, walnut, or stained finishes. The curved back and seat are upholstered, and the chair stacks to conserve space. Circle 110 on reader service card

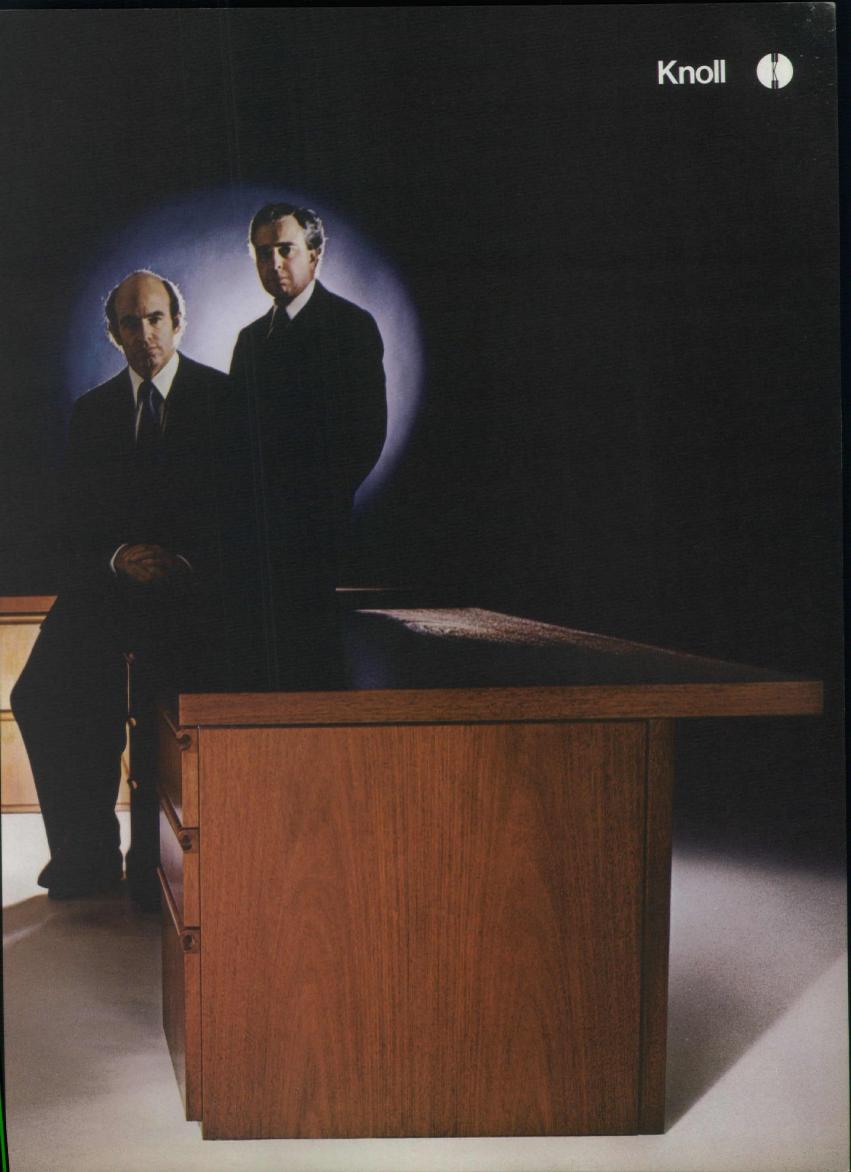


#### Corry Jamestown

Corry Jamestown, founded in 1920, is headquartered in Corry, Pa. Since 1972, the company has been a division of Hon Industries, another furniture producer.
Corry Jamestown has expanded its original product line to include upholstered seating, open plan offices, wood desks, and storage units. New for Designer's Saturday will be the Radius<sup>3</sup> (shown above) integrated desk and stor-

age system. This piece allows for the choice of wood or metal components, or a combination. Corry Jamestown offers an eight-week delivery on all orders, supplemented by a four-week Quick-Ship program. Circle 111 on reader service card

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#### DESIGNER'S SATURDAY

SHOWROOM HIGHLIGHTS



#### Cumberland

Cumberland Furniture Corporation, founded 40 years ago, manufactures conservative, contemporary furniture for the executive office. Leather, exotic veneers, marble, glass, bronze, and stainless steel are used extensively in Cumberland's line of seating, desks, credenzas, and tables. Featured for Designer's Saturday is this armchair with upholstered panels (shown above) or with open arms. Circle 112 on reader service card





#### Dux

Dux was founded in the mid-1920s and produces its lines of furniture in four factories in Europe. In addition to contract, Dux makes lines of beds, upholstery, and casegoods. Dux is also an agent for Scandinavian Design, featuring the classics as well as the new designs. The Spider (shown above) is a new piece for Designer's Saturday designed by Kenneth Bergenblad. It employs the Dux upholstery technique of incorporating spiral springs on a steel frame. The series also includes easy chairs and side tables with black "carrara" glass tops. Circle 114 on reader service card

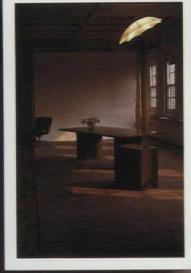
#### Dunbar

Dunbar is making major changes this year relating to emphasis, direction, and scope of its total op-erations. In the field of new product development, Dunbar's major introduction this year is the S/4 series (shown above). Dunbar has also changed its distribution program with a redefined, dealer-oriented sales policy. A new communications program is being developed to include sales aids and specifier planning tools. In addition to the S/4 series, Dunbar is introducing the Bankers Edition, dePolo/Dunbar, and an extensive conference table line, plus individual, multiple, and sofa seating.

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#### DESIGNERS SAFURDAY

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#### CF

1982 marks GF Business Equipment's 80th year in the office furniture industry. Over the years GF has introduced many furniture lines, highlighted by the 40/4 chair designed by David Rowland, the Davis Allen Collection of executive office furnishings, and the Quantum System of lateral filing. For 1982, GF introduces the GF/Giroflex Collection, three office seating lines that feature ergonomic design, split-height work surfaces, a keyboard drawer, and other Open Plan System expansions aimed at the new electronic office. During Designer's Saturday, the Quorum Lounge Seating Series (shown right), designed by Ray Wilkes, will be presented. Quorum features modular design and tubular chrome legs with molded foam cushions. Circle 115 on reader service card



#### **■** Gunlocke

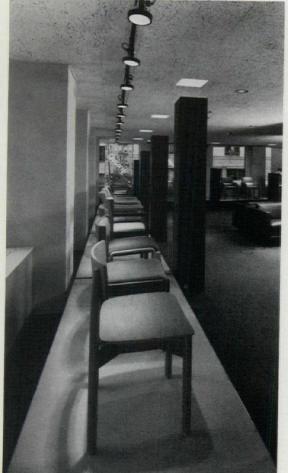
Gunlocke will be showing its GPS wood panel system for the automated office during Designer's Saturday. The company plans to announce a quick-ship program for selected configurations of the GPS panel system, a rapid response service scheduled to be available this fall, in addition to its present quick-ship program for seating and five-day shipping on casegoods. Gunlocke has showrooms in Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, and New York (shown left), all designed by Stanley Felderman, Ltd. Circle 116 on reader service card



#### Harter

Harter's introduction during Designer's Saturday will be the Harter/Stoll collection of seating (shown above) for VDT workers. This chair features gas lifts so the worker can adjust seat height at the touch of a lever, and hinged seat and back so the chair moves with the worker. Harter will also introduce Powerwall III, an open plan system that allows freedom of electrical outlet movement with snap-in/snap-out receptacles.

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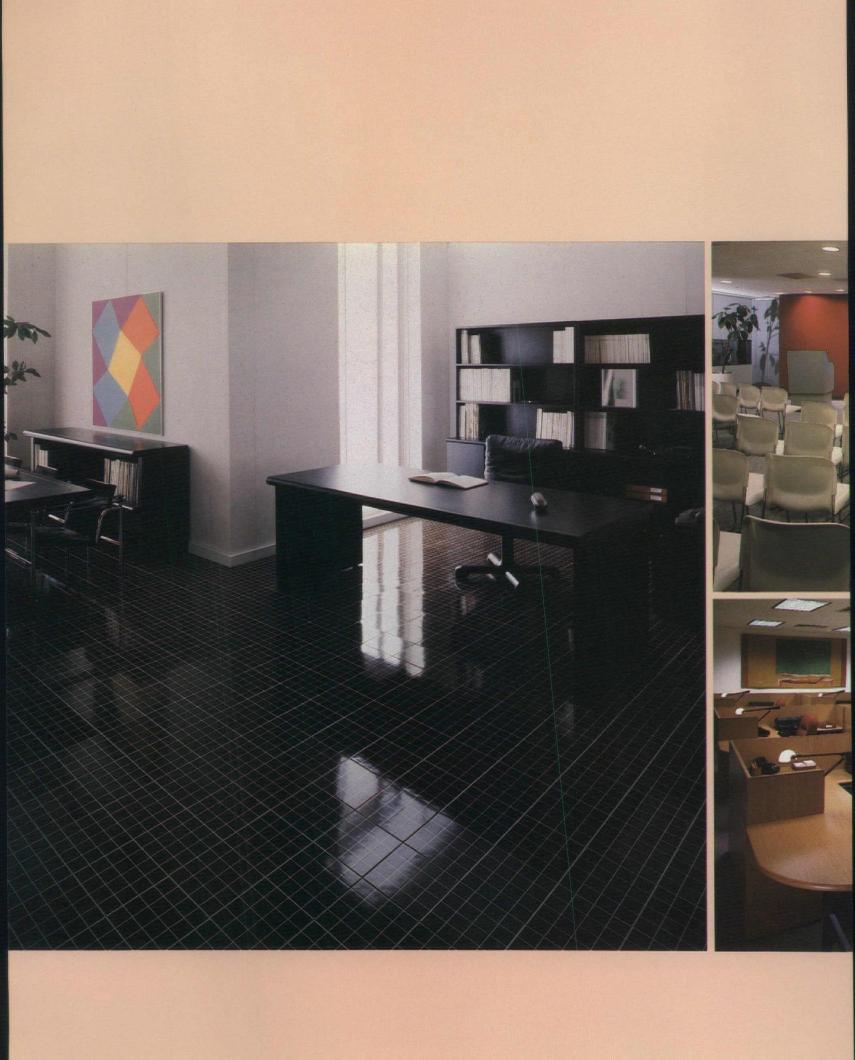
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#### Haworth

Haworth manufactures open office interior systems including panels, componentry, and support systems. A new feature has been added to the company's UniTek Electronic Support work surfaces for Designer's Saturday. A new adjustable keyboard pad (shown above) can be fitted to all UniGroup and most UniTek work surfaces. Also shown is the new Haworth work surface extender, which mounts beneath work surfaces and atop modular drawer units. Haworth has an expanded network of sales and service organizations in the U.S. and Canada. Circle 119 on reader service card



#### Helikon

Helikon Furniture Company is a 23-year-old firm founded by Fred Seeman, who is also the founder of Designer's Saturday. Designed by Bob Becker, the Helikon Collection includes desks, storage units, tables and the Delphi seating collection (shown above). Every piece of furniture is made to order, and the company has extensive facilities for special orders or custom designs to suit specific requirements. Circle 120 on reader service card [Continued on page 34DS]



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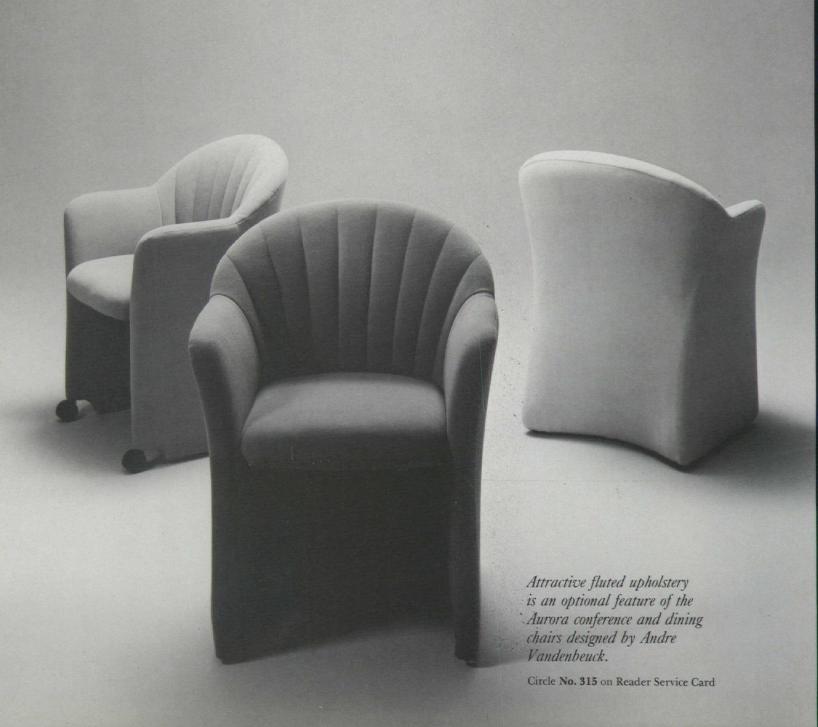
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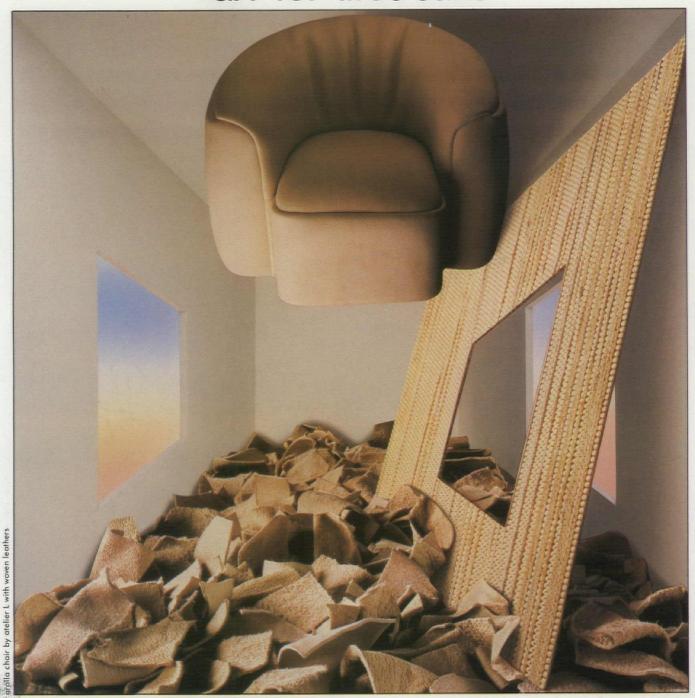
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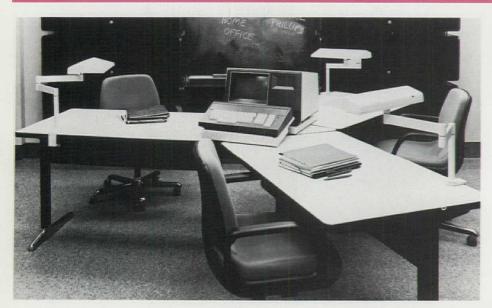
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#### Howe

Founded in 1928, Howe Furniture Corp. began as a manufacturer of folding banquet tables for the hotel market. After World War II (during which time Howe made folding mess tables for submarine use), the company entered the fast-growing education market with special convertible furniture for use in school multipurpose rooms. Howe has used

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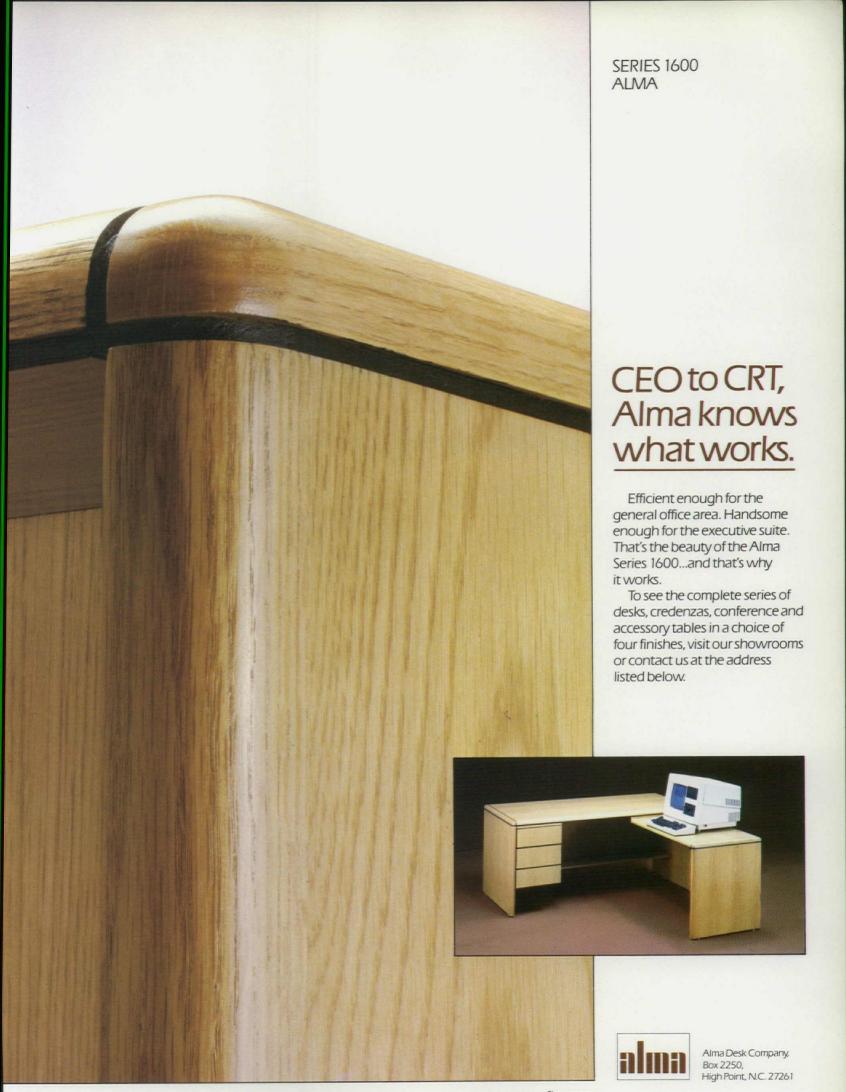
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#### ICF, Inc.

For 20 years, ICF has made available to the American designer architect-designed furniture from around the world. Now ICF is expanding to include the designs of more American architects. The Walker Group's Pinstripe Desk (shown above with Ken Walker) designed and manufactured in America, is a major new addition. ICF is also currently completing a collection that will offer a total group of furni-ture that will fill all functions,

from cooking in an ICF kitchen to working at an ICF desk to sleeping in an ICF bed. Circle 123 on reader service card [Continued on page 38DS]

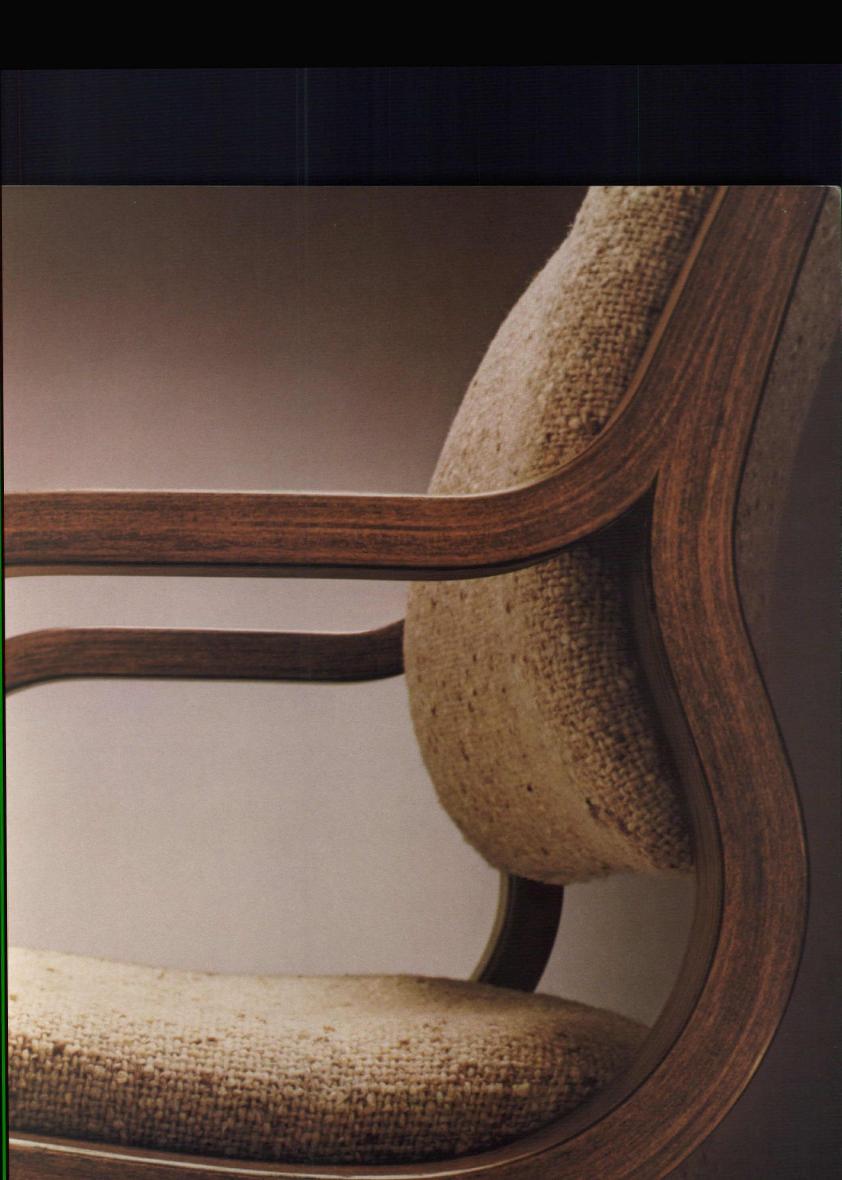


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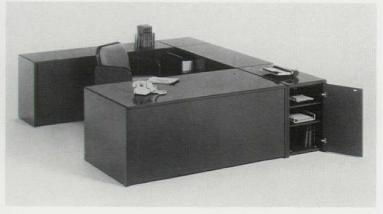
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#### iil

The iil product range includes a comprehensive presentation of chairs and lounge seating, in addition to two casegoods series that comprise almost 200 matched components, tables, and two open plan systems. Product development during recent years has focused on furnishing for open plan and modified open plan installations. Recent installations include Shamrock Corporation in Dallas, Tx, Texas Commerce Bank in

Houston, and the Bank of America in New York. New for Designer's Saturday, the Farfalla lounge seating (shown above). Circle 124 on reader service card

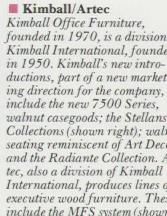


#### Intrex

Intrex, Inc., and its affiliated companies, Habitat, Inc., and Architectural Supplements, Inc., have offered architects and specifiers designs for 25 years. As subsidiaries of Habitat International, Ltd., the three sister companies produce a full line of contract furniture that includes desks, file cabinets, conference tables, wardrobe and lighting products. Intrex Inc.'s furniture items are available in a selection of woods and glossy lacquers that include factory- and customproduced colors. Accessories such

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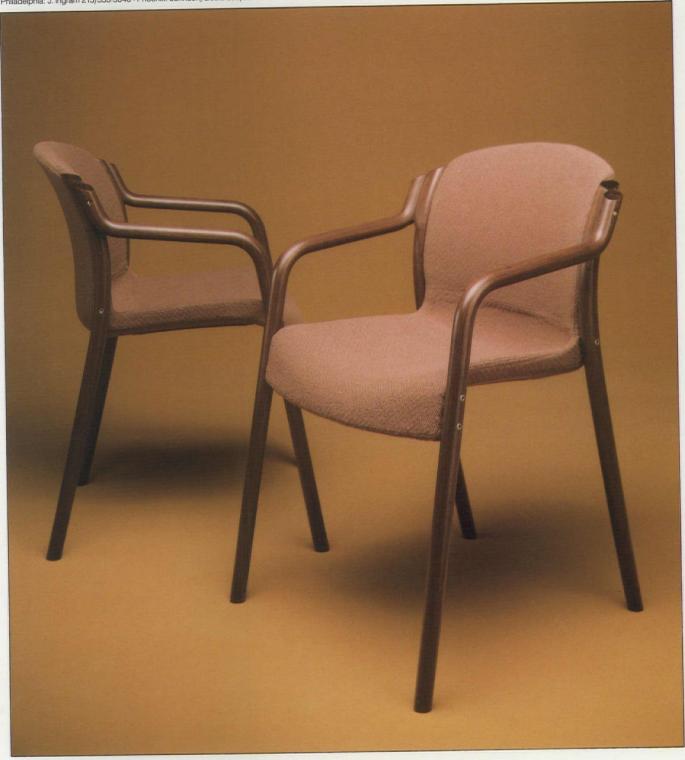
founded in 1970, is a division of Kimball International, founded ductions, part of a new market-Collections (shown right); walnut seating reminiscent of Art Deco; and the Radiante Collection. Ar-International, produces lines of executive wood furniture. These include the MFS system (shown left), in mahogany with a radiused, solid mahogany top





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### DESIGNER'S SATURDAY

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### **Kinetics**

is is the first year as a Designer's Saturday member Canadian-based Kinetics Furniture. This fall, company will move to a new manufacturing lility and corporate offices that will triple current oduction capacity. At Designer's Saturday, Kitics will introduce new desk/work stations to meet requirements of the electronic office. They were igned by Paolo Favaretto of Pedova, Italy, in coloration with Jim Hayward, Kinetics' director of ign. In addition, the company will introduce a w line of jetport seating (shown right). Later in tober, Kinetics will also participate in Canexus, annual Canadian exhibition that it helped to ginate.

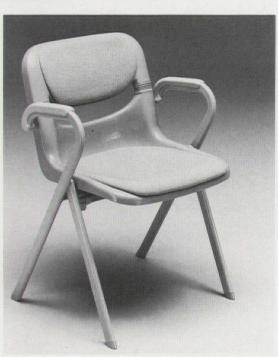
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### Knoll

Knoll International has been involved in contract and residential furniture design and textiles since its inception in 1938. The Chair (shown left) will be on display at Designer's Saturday. Designed by Richard Meier, the Chair has both residential and contract applications. In addition to producing the first wood office system for the American market (Stephens), as well as a fabric office system (Zapf), Knoll has continued to expand into new markets and includes among its product lines contract furniture, residential/ fine furniture, textiles, wallcarpeting, and most recently, floorcarpeting and carpet tiles. Knoll is associated with architects and designers such as Charles Gwathmey, Robert Siegel, Richard Meier, Robert Venturi, and Joe D'Urso.

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**■** Krueger

Despite the expected downturn in new office construction, Krueger expects to maintain its five-year-old growth record with business coming from office renovations and a new market for ergonomic seating. In addition to its present seating lines such as Vertebra, Matrix, and the newly introduced Dorsal (shown above), Krueger expects new products to account for almost 30 percent of contract sales by 1987

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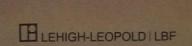
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### DESIGNER'S SATURDAY

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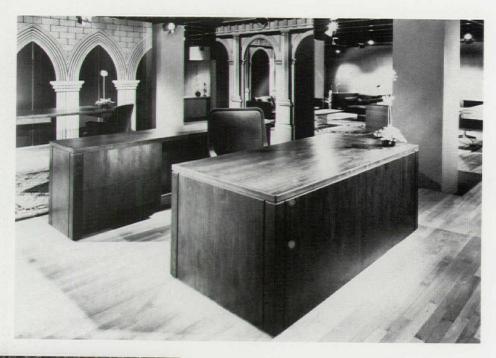


### Jack Lenor Larsen

The guiding force behind Jack Lenor Larsen's furniture division has been Swiss-born Guido Baumgartner. Baumgartner joined Larsen in 1979, bringing to the new division 32 years of experience in many areas of consumer and contract furniture. This year two new lines will be introduced to the furniture division, the El International Collection and the Dettinger Collection. As part of the El International Collection, the Arolla lounge series (shown left) features a massive chair and sofas in a range of leathers, with coordinating tables. Circle 130 on reader service card

Lehigh-Leopold

Lehigh-Leopold began as a small family business over 100 years ago in Burlington, Ia. Today, together with Litton Business Furniture and Cole, it is a division of Litton Industries and manufactures wood desks, office systems, and seating in a 500,000-sq-ft plant near its original location. New for Designer's Saturday is Bloc, Lehigh-Leopold's new executive desk, part of a system that includes a credenza and table desk, all in mahogany. Designs by Warren Platner are also featured, such as the Federal top executive collection and the Sculptures-in-wood line. A comprehensive new product development program will be steered by Litton in-house designers Max Pearson, Tom Biscoe, and Ernie Greer. Shown right is Lehigh-Leopold's New York showroom. Circle 131 on reader service card



### ■ Metropolitan

Metropolitan Furniture Corporation, based in San Francisco, has been in business since 1905. In addition to its residential line, Metro has a contract line designed by Jay Heumann, Brian Kane, and Charles Pfister, and a Metro Color System designed by Andrew Belschner. The contract line was expanded this year to include Brian Kane's new Kane Desk Group (shown left), a complete collection of desks, cabinets, desks with returns, and table desks. Metro opened a New York showroom in May of this year and has added a new European licensee based in Copenhagen, Denmark. Circle 132 on reader service card [Continued on page 48DS]

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### DESIGNER'S SAPURDAY

SHOWROOM HIGHLIGHTS

### Pace

Over the past 20 years, Pace Collection has grown to a total of 250,000 sq ft of manufacturing and distribution facility on both sides of the Atlantic -in New York, Ft. Lauderdale, and Italy. In addition to its furniture lines for business (such as the Meteora Saddle Leather series desk, shown right), Pace now makes seating groups as well as seating for schools, hospitals, and other institutions. Pace has a new program that offers the services of its design department as an aid and extension of its new products. As a response to the design and architectural community, Pace has developed a plant devoted to the manufacturing of architectural metals.

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Harvey Probber

A designer-owned-and-operated furniture manufacturer for al-most 40 years, Harvey Probber, Inc., supplies office systems from its 300,000-sq-ft Fall River, Ma, factory. New offerings for Designer's Saturday are Interloc Seating, Advent III furniture systems workstations, and Oval Arm Seating (shown left), which consists of seven different modules that can be clustered into different supergraphic forms, with contrasting seat and back materials also available. As an installing manufacturer, Probber markets a range of office systems, casegoods, and seating and provides delivery, installation, and service via a nationwide sales/service organization. Circle 134 on reader service card [Continued on page 50DS]

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### Fact number four:

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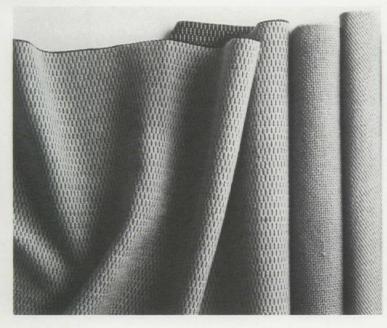
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### Shaw-Walker

The Shaw-Walker Company started in 1899 when A.W. Shaw and L.C. Walker formed a partnership to sell filing systems by direct mail. At the same time, they began publishing a house organ called "Systems" to pro-mote the efficient use of their products. Several years and changes later, "Systems" grew to be Business Week. Metal desks were vastly unpopular until 1929, when Shaw-Walker introduced the Skyscraper desk. Now, for Designer's Saturday, Shaw-Walker takes on today's electronic office with Tempo 3 panels and components (shown above). The system's 13-sq-in. raceway accepts up to 16 25-pair cables and 6 20-amp circuits. Circle 135 on reader service card



The New York showroom was re-

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cently redesigned by Allen Kol-

### **■** Stendig

Stendig started operations in 1955 by bringing the Michael Thonet Bentwood Collection to this country. It also, in 1962, introduced Marcel Breuer's Wassily and Classic chairs. B&B Italia in 1976 to form B&B America, another Designer's Saturday member. This year, Stendig opened another division, Stendig Textiles (examples shown above). This premiere collection includes 16 fabrics and leathers in a selection of 169 colors. Stendig's national network of showrooms was joined recently by Miami and Dallas, with Washington, DC, and Houston to follow in the future.

Steelcase

Founded in 1912 as the Metal Office Furniture Co. by inventor Peter Wege, Steelcase did not take on its present name until 1954. Steelcase now categorizes its products for the office in three groups: conventional furniture; systems furniture; and seating. The Elysee sofa group (shown above) is new for Designer's Saturday. Series 9000 is its principal line, which was expanded in 1978 to encompass the electronic office. Mobiles is a modular combination of desks, panels, and lateral files. The company also offers a full line of furnituremounted and freestanding task or ambient lighting. Outside the U.S., Steelcase has operations in Australia, Canada, France, Japan, Morocco, the United Kingdom, and West Germany. Circle 136 on reader service card [Continued on page 54DS]

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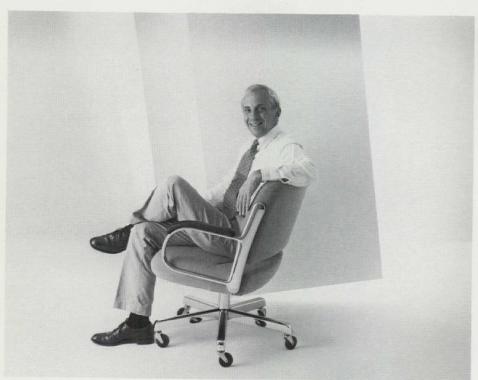


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### Stow/Davis

For over 100 years, Stow/Davis has been an independent manufacturer of office furniture. At Designer's Saturday the company introduces The Moving Chair, designed by Richard Schultz (see Schultz in chair above). The chair is available in either mirror chrome steel or black fused epoxy on steel, with a choice of walnut, oak, maple, or fully upholstered arms. It can be ordered with either a four-pronged or a five-pronged base.

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### Sunar

Sunar, a manufacturer of steel and wood office furniture and systems, has a modern steel factory manned by artisans whose tenure frequently spans three decades. The company also has a woodworking plant, two furniture research and development facilities, and a full textile and leather collection stocked in Norwalk, Ct. For Designer's Saturday, Sunar will introduce its latest chair (shown above) by architect Michael Graves. A P/A International Furniture Competition winner, the chair features a veneer of bird's-eye maple with a seat upholstered in either silk or leather. The handrests are of ebony, with mother-of-pearl insets. Circle 140 on reader service card



John Stuart/John Widdicomb

John Stuart/John Widdicomb is a full-service furniture design and manufacturing resource. Structured vertically from design to execution, John Stuart/John Widdicomb provides custom capability in the furnishing of a single corporate office or a complex of executive suites, as well as for the hotel industry both here and abroad. For Designer's Saturday, the company presents the Aurora Collection of credenzas, étagere (shown above), and consoles designed by Robert and Bruce Mulder. Circle 139 on reader service card [Continued on page 58DS]

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Westinghouse ASD
For Designer's Saturday, Westinghouse ASD introduces the
Wes-Tech series (shown left) of
components designed to accommodate and manage electronic
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new components can be retrofitted
to existing Westinghouse open office work stations, or specified
with the furniture for a new installation. Wes-Tech was designed with the help of the design
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Thonet has been manufacturing furniture for the contract marketplace since 1830 when the company's founder, Michael Thonet, invented steambent wood furniture. Today the company still produces some of its original pieces, along with molded ply, solid wood, tubular and stainless steel, and molded plastic. Throughout its history, Thonet has sought the contributions of outside product designers. Thonet's collection includes stacking chairs (shown left), highback and bar chairs, arm, side, and conference seating, lounge groupings, and tandem seating. In 1981, Thonet added two complete swivel seating groups to its collection.

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### ■ Vecta

Nearing its 25th anniversary, Vecta Contract has been involved in the production of tables and seating for office and public spaces. The company has introduced 11 new products since 1979, including Tappo Seating, FS Seating, and the newest entry, Raftery Executive Seating (shown above). Designed by William Raftery of Vecta, the line applies ergonomic principles to seating for the executive office. Vectaflex allows the front edge of the seat to tilt downward imperceptibly, while the feet remain on the floor. The series consists of eight models, three of which are high-back versions, with pneumatic or Vectamatic height adjustment options. Circle 142 on reader service card



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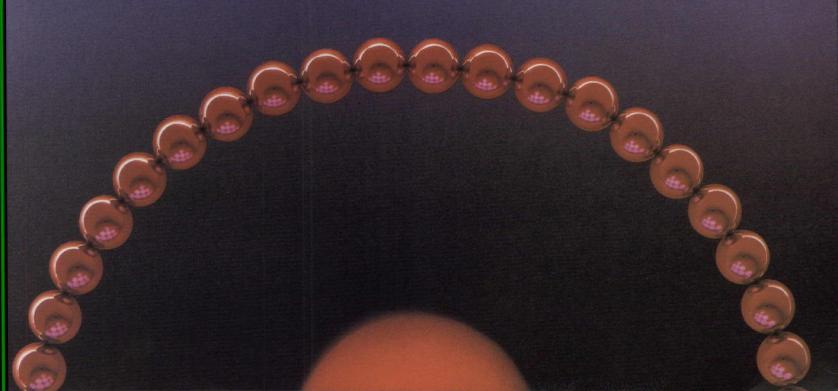
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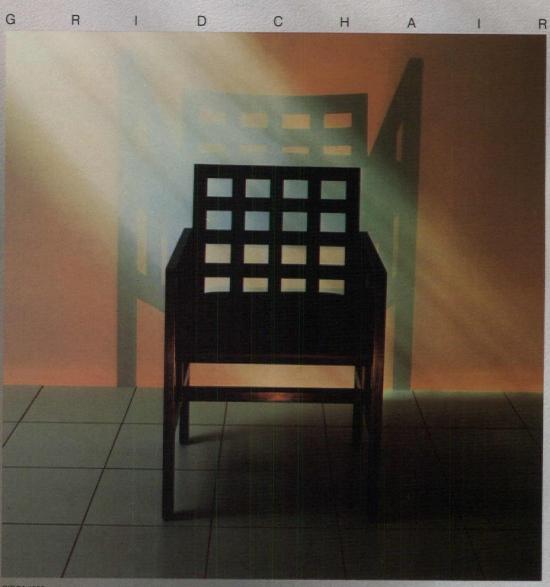
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phy, 1130 Fifth Ave. (at 94th St.). Tues.-Fri., noon-8:00; Sat. & Sun., noon-6:00. "Subway/Bruce Davidson," 68 color photographs of the New York City subways and the people who use them. "Micha Bar-Am: Israel Diary, 1956-1982," 60 photographs by the New York Times chief photographer in the Middle East.

Metropolitan Museum of Art,

Fifth Ave. at 82 St. Tues., 10:00-8:45; Wed.-Sat., 10:00-4:45; Sun., 11:00-4:45; closed Monday.

"Rodin's Gates of Hell," a bronze portal, 21 ft high and weighing nine tons, was intended for the never-built Musée des Arts Décoratifs in Paris.

"Sculpture: New Acquisitions," includes 13 20th-Century pieces, most acquired

within the last two years.

"Works of Art in Glass from the Museum's Collections," storage, decorative, and stained glass from various periods and countries.

"Recent Acquisitions in Indian and Southeast Asian Art," Indian, Nepalese and Southeast Asian art acquired within

the last five years.

"Hendrik Goltzius and His Circle," 100 prints and drawings by Hendrik Goltzius, the most influential printmaker in 16th-Century Netherlands.

"Cimabue Crucifixion from Santa Croce," one of the masterpieces of medieval Italian art, from Florence.

"The Celestial Pen: Islamic Calligraphy in the Metropolitan Museum of Art," objects dating from the late 8th Century to the 18th-19th Centuries.

Museum of Modern Art,

18 W. 54 St. 11:00-6:00; Thurs. until 9:00; closed Wednesday.

"The Work of Atget: The Art of Old Paris," 125 photographs by the French photographer, Eugene Atget, depicting the art and architecture of prerevolutionary Paris.

Guggenheim Museum,

1071 Fifth Ave. (at 89th St.). 11:00-5:00; Tues. until 8:00; closed Monday. "Northern Visions," three simultaneous exhibitions of contemporary Scandinavian art. "Modern Masters," in the Justin K. Thannahauser Wing; "Pioneers of 20th Century Art," in the Permanent Collection Gallery; "Recent Acquisitions," in the small collection gallery.

Whitney Museum of American Art, Madison Ave. at 75th St. Tues.-Sat., 11:00-6:00; Sun., noon-6:00; closed Monday.

The permanent collection includes 20th Century American Art, plus "Calder a sculpture in the lobby, Circus.' "Charles Simonds Dwellings," one of the most unusual exhibits to join the per-manent collection, and "Milton Avery," 120 paintings and works on paper ranging from works of the 1930s to his last abstract landscapes.

### American Museum of Natural History.

Central Park West at 79th St. 10:00-5:45; Fri. & Sat. until 9:00; closed Mon-

'Confiscated," an exhibition of endangered species seized by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Laserium Concerts: "Rock-It," Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; and "Crystal Odyssey," Sunday.

American Craft Museum,

I: 44 W. 53 St. 10:00-5:00; Sun., 11:00-5:00; closed Monday.

Handmade papers of Douglass Morse Howell.

II: 77 W. 45th St.

"Pattern: An Exhibition of the Decorated Surface," over 125 works by 50 artists.

Museum of the City of New York

Fifth Avenue at 103 St. 10:00-4:45; Sun. 1:00-5:00; closed Monday.

"The Big Apple," a multimedia history of New York, "Dolls Magic Journey," "Bard on Broadway," "Architectural New York," and "Manhattan Suite." The Theater museum, located in the Minskoff Arcade at 1515 Broadway, is featuring "An Actor's Life."

Asia Society,

725 Park Ave. at 70th St. Mon.-Wed., 10:00-5:00; Thurs., 10:00-8:30; closed Friday; Sat., 10:00-5:00; Sun., noon-

"Arts of the Islamic Book," miniatures.

Cooper-Hewitt Museum,

Fifth Ave. at 91st St. Tues.-Sat., 10:00-5:00; Sun., noon-5:00; closed Monday. "Lace," from 16th to 20th Centuries, all European, some for royal use.

"Fashion Prints: 125 Years of Style," 200 fashion prints chronicling the change in fashion design from the late 18th Century to the early 20th.

"Scandinavian Modern 1880-1980."

Morgan Library,

29 E. 36th St. 10:30-5:00; closed Sunday & Monday.

"15th Century Art of the Netherlands," and "Icelandic Sagas: Eddas and Art."

Museum of American Folk Art,

49 W. 53 St. 10:30-5:30; Tues. 10:30-8:00; closed Monday.

"A Prairie Vision—The World of Olof Krans," the first exhibition of this Swedish American folk artist (1838-1916) seen outside his home state of Il-

National Academy of Design,

1083 Fifth Ave. at 89th St. Noon-5:00; Tues., noon-8:00; closed Monday. "Samuel F.B. Morse: Educator and Activist," "Fragments of Invention," and "Sketchbooks of Le Corbusier."

New-York Historical Society,

170 Central Park West. Tues.-Fri., 11:00-5:00; Sat., 10:00-5:00; Sun., 1:00-5:00; closed Monday.

"Oom-Pa-Pa: The Great American Band," 150 pieces of band memorabilia from Revolutionary times to the pres-

"Birth of New York: Nieuw Amsterdam 1624-1664," photos, maps, paintings, and archaeological evidence of the first settlement on Manhattan, sponsored by the city of Amsterdam.

Frick Collection,

1 E. 70th St. (Fifth Ave.). Tues.-Sat., 10:00-6:00; Sun., 1:00-6:00; closed Monday.

Aside from the beauty of the building itself, the permanent collection includes Old Masters such as Rembrandt and Vermeer, and two separate rooms devoted to Fragonard and Boucher.

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Unless otherwise noted, it is wise to make reservations at any of these restaurants two or three days in advance.

### Odeon

145 West Broadway, 233-0507 A recycled 1950s cafeteria in Tribeca, the Odeon has lost none of its former atmosphere while gaining considerably in elegance and cachet. The food is good; the crowd knowing.

Le Cygne

53 East 54th St., 759-5941

The new home of this well-known French restaurant was designed by architects Voorsanger & Mills, and it's worth a trip for those seeking an elegant, romantic setting. Book several days in advance, and be prepared to throw fiscal caution to the winds.

### Woods

718 Madison Ave., 688-1126

This tiny Madison Avenue eatery can be a bit noisy when crowded, but it gets crowded for a good reason. The food is imaginatively prepared with an emphasis on fresh vegetables, and is uniformly delicious. And the coffee is among the best in New York.

Billy's

948 First Ave., 355-8920

One of the oldest restaurants in New York, this wood-paneled Irish eatery is the place to go if you want good, plain meat and potatoes or fish. The waiters are surly, the hostesses like mother hens. There is often a wait for tables in this popular neighborhood hangout, but they accept reservations for parties of five or more.

### Chatfield's

208 East 60th St., 753-5070

A small, friendly place, with a pleasantly British air and lace curtains at the windows, with excellent, simple meat and fish as well as pastas and salads. Informal and relaxed.

### One Fifth

1 Fifth Ave., 260-3434

A glamorous interior, with furnishings from the S.S. Caronia, One Fifth has a varied menu, young snappy help, and a lot of trendy hustle and bustle.

### Tino's

235 East 58th St., 751-0311

A fashionable Italian restaurant, with an excellent Northern menu and a pleasant, relaxed atmosphere.

### **■** The Four Seasons

99 East 52nd St., 754-9494 If you've never been, go. It's an architectural dream, between Philip Johnson and Mies van der Rohe's Seagram Building setting and Garth and Ada Louise Huxtable's table appointments. Over 20 years after opening, it still sets the standard for modern restaurant elegance, and so does the food.

### Café des Artistes

1 West 67th St., 877-3500

Hard to beat for romance value, with Howard Chandler Christy's murals of voluptuous females splashed across the walls. Sinful desserts.

### **24** Fifth Avenue

24 Fifth Ave., 475-0880

Recently opened, with a mixed menu that veers toward the nouvelle, this restaurant has a glassed-in porch on one of the most beautiful stretches of Fifth Avenue, a stately neighborhood just close enough to Greenwich Village to draw a colorful sidewalk parade.

### ■ Texarkana

64 West 10th St., 254-5800

The most elegant new Tex-Mex watering hole in town, much favored by young, trendy, affluent New Yorkers.

### Da Silvano

260 Sixth Ave., 982-0090

A very small, very chic Italian restaurant in SoHo that attracts a high-powered downtown art crowd.

### Shezan

8 West 58th St., 371-1414

Gwathmey/Siegel's cool, Modernist interior sets Shezan well apart from other Indian restaurants in New York.

### Ambassador Grill

44th St. at First Ave., 751-7948

The restaurant, as well as its home, the U.N. Plaza Hotel, was designed by Kevin Roche and John Dinkeloo, with characteristically low-keyed, high-powered elegance.

### Rainbow Room

30 Rockefeller Plaza, 757-9090

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### Pesca

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### Algonquin Hotel

59 West 44th St., 840-6800

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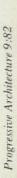
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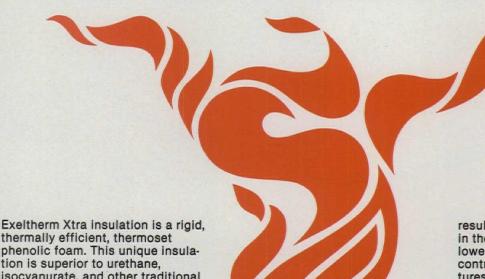
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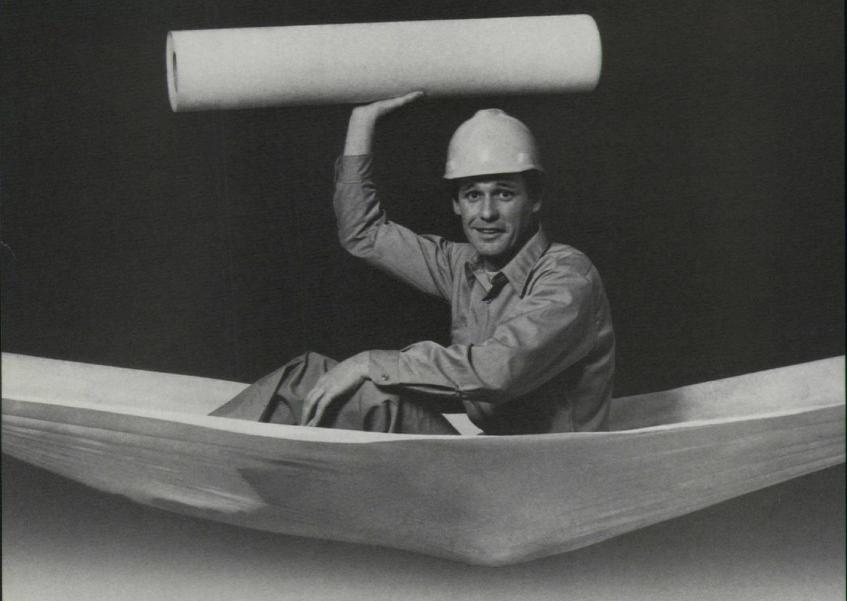
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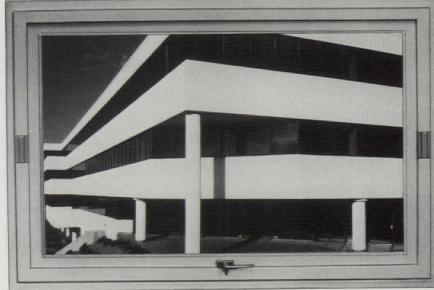
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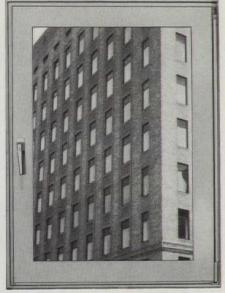
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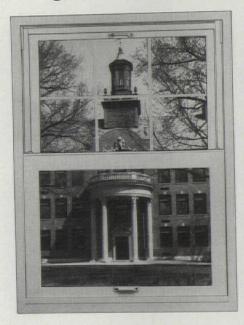
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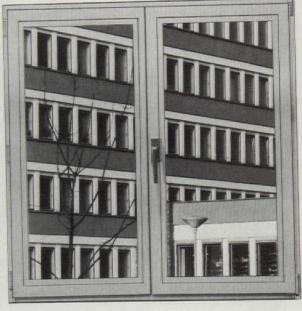
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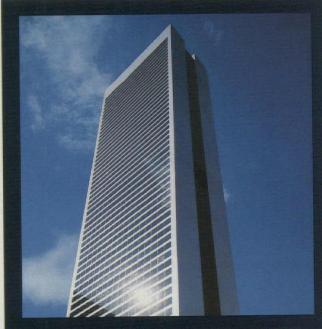
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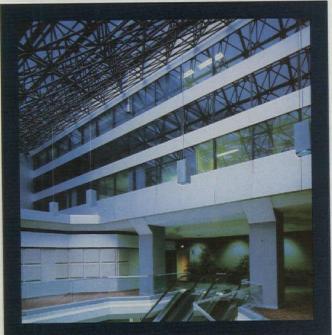
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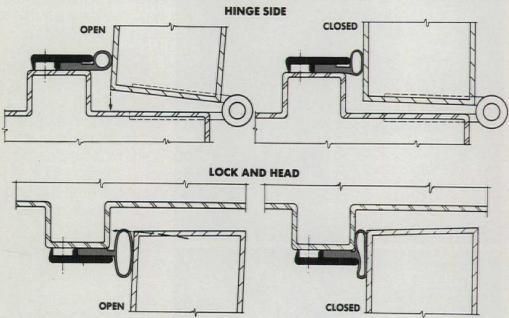
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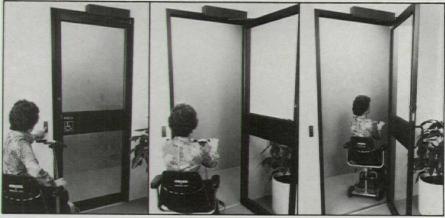


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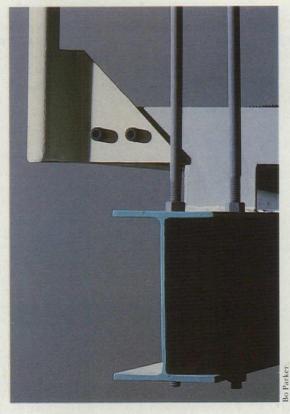
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## The sum of the parts

The quality of the parts, as well as that of the whole, is the subject of this year's interiors issue.

Painted steel beam, Knoll Design Center, New York, NY, by Paul Haigh, p. 178.



This is an issue about consistency, about the smaller elements of interior design that reinforce the larger ones. It seems an appropriate topic for 1982, when it is nearly impossible to point to any single design direction that is operating over any others. And the "isms" are no longer so much timely as they are tiresome. Polemics are ultimately verbal exercises, difficult to sustain in three dimensions.

In examining the 17 "wholes" featured in this issue, the editors found that in some cases, the sum of the parts was a consistent, coherent whole, while in others, individual parts outshone the whole. In every case, however, the projects demonstrate an intelligence and awareness with which the elements of a design supported, articulated, and enriched its basic scheme.

The mix of project types reflects the sort of work that seems, at the moment, most open to innovation. That there are four furniture showrooms, for example, should come as no surprise to anyone. Their commercial and temporal nature makes them—and rightly so—laboratories for architects and interior designers. Whether the experiment succeeds or blows up in the designer's face is often not as important, in the long run, as the fact of the experiment itself.

The five office interiors, to take another example, run the gamut from High Mies (with a twist) to whimsically funky eclecticism, but all share a common denominator: a small scope. While this is more a result of coincidence than of design (no pun intended), it does underline the fact that it is increasingly difficult to carry out a highly detailed or idiosyncratic scheme on a large-office scale, for obvious economic and logistical reasons.

The three residential projects range from an exquisitely detailed brand of minimalism to a constantly evolving mirror of a roving sensibility that can, for the moment, safely be described as New Wave. Elsewhere, an almost brutally spare nightclub demonstrates the same concern for consistency as does a slick, marble-lined pharmacy.

In short, it mattered not only what was said, but also how carefully and cleverly the argument was constructed. While not every reader may agree with every argument, we believe that each one's eloquence is undeniable.

The rise of craftsmanship is the other side of consistency—the soundness of the parts. While some projects carry out craft at a higher level than do others, the question is very clearly on many people's minds these days. For architects, it reflects a growing preoccupation with interior design after decades of benign neglect; this is not nearly as true for interior designers, for whom the point is, or should be, moot. We felt, furthermore, that the question of details—the parts of the sum—was sufficiently intriguing on a visual level to warrant its own portfolio (p. 208).

Finally, it is easy to look upon the renaissance of craftsmanship as an atavistic backlash that ignores the pressing technological and economic realities of the day. But after the prolonged period of schizophrenia during which architects and interior designers were separated by an artificial "technology vs art" barrier, it is encouraging to think that this renewed interest in detail and craft might also hold the promise of an architecture that succeeds—inside and out—in reconciling pragmatism and poetry.

[Pilar Viladas]

## In the details

On display at Knoll's new many-purpose facility designed by Paul Haigh are structural details, both real and fanciful.



View of restored front shows three Knoll floors plus one of three stories of apartments. New doors and insulating windows reproduce look of originals; groundfloor roller doors provide sleek counterpoint.

Meticulous steel detail like that seen at the Knoll Design Center (photo, previous page) is an uncommon pleasure today; if there is to be revived enthusiasm for lean, machined structure, what better place to start than at Knoll? Yet other parts of the same project (facing page) show quite a different approach to details, by putting Classical columns through fantastic transformations of scale and use. It is as if to say that designer Paul Haigh, unlike earlier structural purists, can indulge in historical ornament, but need not take it seriously.

In program, this new facility of Knoll's is not quite like any other. It includes under one roof a variety of offices—space design, graphics, textiles, etc.—with shops, photo studio, and two new kinds of rooms: a meeting space large enough for the introduction of new office systems to the Knoll family; and a new kind of showroom, where the public is invited (to look, not buy), offering items not previously available through Knoll's U.S. outlets—pieces from their European lines, plus familiar ones with custom materials and finishes.

To make this economically reasonable, Knoll ventured out of New York's contract furniture territory to the loft district of SoHo. The 1891 building they acquired there—formerly a shoulder pad factory—accommodates three floors plus basement for Knoll's use, with three floors of apartments above them.

The building front, which looks nicely cleaned up, actually required much restoration. At the much-altered ground floor, new columns were cast to match the few remaining originals; new insulating glass was inserted above granite spandrels; roll-down steel doors were installed, their sleek metal housings set off against the masonry. All exterior work had to satisfy the city's Landmarks Commission, since this is in a protected district.

Inside, the main architectural features were the cast-iron columns, with chaste Tuscan detail that departs from the High Victorian styles so common in SoHo. The new interior is built around these columns, literally and conceptually.

The diversity of uses fitted into the old loft are all reflected in the first-floor layout (axonometric, overleaf). Most of the area is divided between the showroom and the conference/demonstration space, but provision had to be made for separate entrances to the office floors and the apartments, plus a freight entrance.

In the company's conference space (facing page), Haigh has taken the existing columns as a point of departure, juxtaposing Tuscan columns of differing proportions and materials—a thin one of solid granite, a plump one of stiff fabric (the stuff of shoulder pads). The Alice-in-Wonderland feature is the Tuscan enclosure for the spiral stair that comes down through the office floors above; instead of a door, it has a removable section on rollers. The major part of the space remains free for meetings, receptions, and mock-up displays, but Haigh has kept it from seeming empty between events.

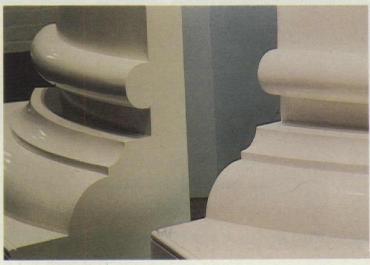
The showroom half of the first floor is augmented by a space of similar plan in the basement. Linking the two floors is a stairwell of square plan set on the diagonal, which centers on an existing stack of columns. Hovering a half level above the main floor is a steel platform that extends the diagonal geometry into a long zigzag; it reduces the cavernous scale of the room and generates room-sized alcoves for furniture display along its edges. Furniture displayed on the platform will be seen first from atypical angles, but can be reached for proper inspection. (The inaugural heaping of pillows on the platforms to show off the textile line obscures this possibility.) The play of levels-including the landing on the basement stair-gives the visitor eye-level and overhead views of the platform's steel detailing. And this is no mere barebones exposure of structure: platform parts are painted in seven shades of gray, with three finishes; beam ends are painted bright turquoise, the center's identifying color, as if to suggest that this is the color of the underlying steel.

The entry portion of the showroom is well designed, in itself, but oddly unrelated. Unusual battered partitions provide nicely graduated separation, but their wedgelike forms and gypsum-board construction make a discordant introduction to a complex of spaces where all other elements interrelate—however unexpectedly.

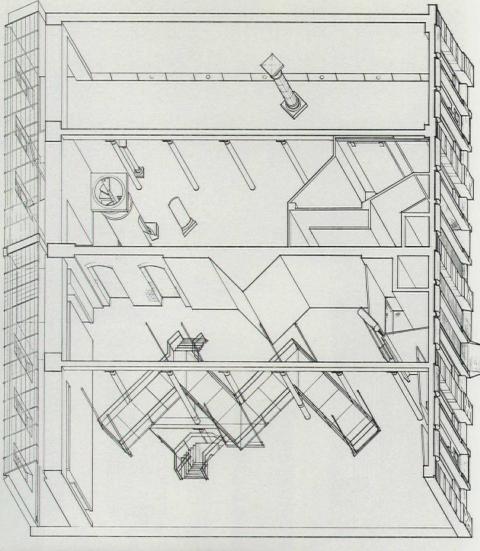
Though Knoll's recent showrooms have been designed by well-known architects such as Venturi, Rauch & Scott Brown (P/A, July 1980, pp. 74–77) and Gwathmey-Siegel (P/A, July 1980, pp. 78–81), they chose this young

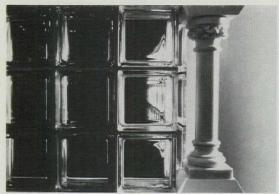


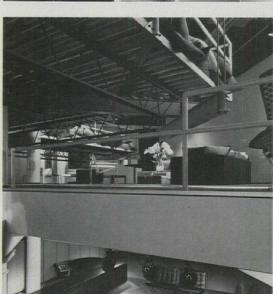
Spiral stair enclosure is most extreme of three variations on existing Tuscan columns seen in ground-floor meeting-demonstration-reception space. Exaggerated base molding is continued on rolling door portion (right). Bright turquoise of steel stair suffuses neutral-painted interior of cylinder.

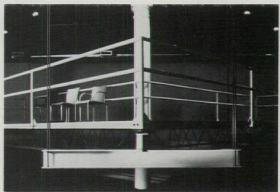


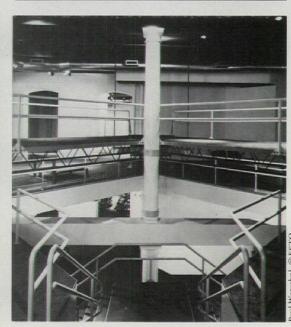












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**Project:** Knoll Design Center, New York.

**Designers:** Paul Haigh, architectural design; Knoll Space Design Group (Lee Stout, director), office systems and showroom furniture planning.

Client: Knoll International (Jeff Osborne, design coordination; Don Rorke, project administration).

Program: three floors plus basement of six-story 1891 loft building; 10,000-sq-ft showroom; 28,000 sq ft of offices and studios.

Structural system: existing wood on cast-iron columns.

Mechanical system: central HVAC added.

Major materials: painted walls; carpet, tile, and rubber flooring (see Building materials, p. 304). Consultants: Thomas Polise,

HVAC; Alvin Fisher, structural. Contractors: All Building Construction.

Costs: withheld at client's request.

Photographs: Bo Parker, except as noted.

Facing page: Conference room on office floor has ribbon of glass block with a dash of historical allusion in marble—at outer corner (left, top and middle). Showroom's suspended platform and stair will allow views of furniture from many angles (bottom left). Photos of these elements before occupancy clarify geometry (right column). Axonometric shows division of first floor, including lean-to at rear with translucent roof.

translucent roof.
This page: One of office areas
(right) demonstrates a Knoll system in use, with atypical lighting.
Identifying turquoise appears on stair and counter. At showroom entrance (below) low walls direct visitors to reception desk, then rise to flank roller door—like those outside—that separates showroom from office lobby after hours; portion of suspended platform is visible at left.

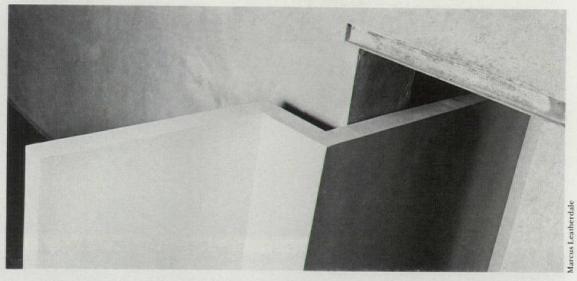




## New York at night

Two 100-year-old buildings in lower Manhattan have been joined and transformed into a theater/cabaret disco through the artful juxtaposition of raw building materials.

Detailing at Stilwende is "raw" but extremely refined. The building is sheathed in exposed concrete inside and out, and on the exterior it is treated as a single. massive composition where an aluminum channel indicates the division between the two original buildings. Color is sparse but saturated. Doors from the main vestibule (below right) to the bar are two stories high. A partition (right and facing page, top left) runs through a rear door, under an exposed steel I-beam lintel, from the bar to the dance floor.



Stilwende means style change, and it is a term that was used in Germany in connection with the Art Nouveau movement. A new disco/ cabaret in New York's Tribeca (Triangle below Canal, which is at the southwest edge of

SoHo) is anything but Art Nouveau, but calling it Stilwende was not inappropriate.

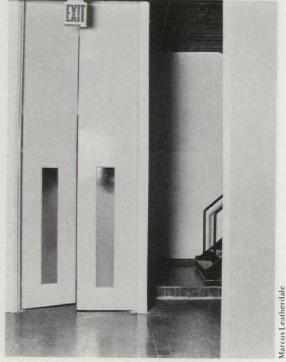
The club is in two, three-story, 19th-Century structures that were originally built for residential use, but which became commercial as the neighborhood changed. Now as Tribeca is becoming somewhat residential once again, the amenities that usually follow that kind of change are also returning (but so far without the overly self-conscious boutiquefication that has marred SoHo).

Stilwende's most recent prior use was as a disco called Tier Three, where dancing went on at all levels, and where passages had been opened inside between the two buildings. When Joseph Lembo was asked to reorganize the complex so that it could simultaneously accommodate the functions of a theater/ cabaret, bar, disco, and lounge, he made two major structural alterations. He removed the second floor entirely to create a highceilinged first-floor bar and disco, and he removed the third-floor party wall (which required installing new concrete piers and steel beams to resupport the roof) to make a spacious lounge/cabaret on what becomes the new second floor.

Part of the inspiration for the design is related to Lembo's other interior design practice in Saudi Arabia. There, he has long admired the vernacular stone and earthen

buildings, and they became translated for Stilwende, where he sheathed both the interior and exterior in unpainted concrete. Inside, steel I-beams over windows and doors have been left exposed and unpainted, and outside, an aluminum channel marks the former division between the two buildings, as do also two shades of concrete.

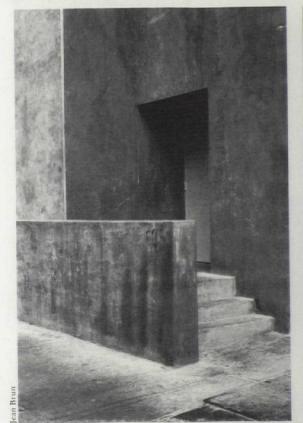
The club is used mainly at night, and it is generally kept quite dark inside (supplemental lighting was used for these photographs). A flexible system of ceiling-mounted track lighting is continually altered by the lighting

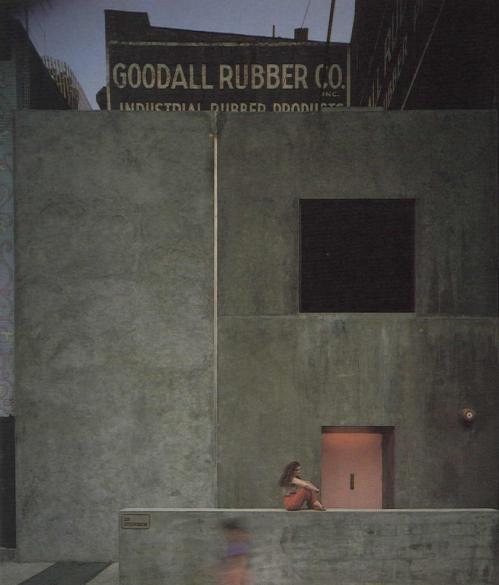




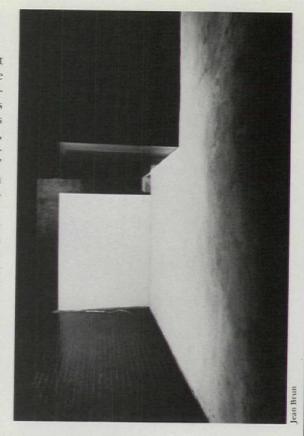


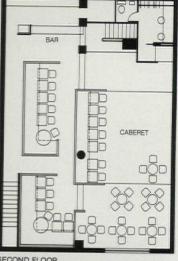




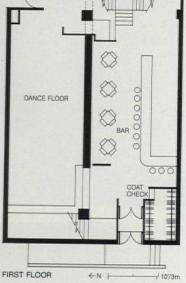


Joe Lembo says "Stilwende really isn't architecture so much as it is a scaffolding . . . an environment to hang an exhibition . . . a stage for a theatrical performance . . . or a setting for an event." That is a modest statement for a place that is all of these things and quite a bit more. With its handsomely rationalized exterior and its almost menacing interior (which is immediately checked by lighting that would be gauche anywhere else), it shows considerable sophistication that avoids both the overt cuteness and the studied selfconsciousness often found in such places. [David Morton]





SECOND FLOOR



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Project: Stilwende, New York. Designer: Joseph R. Lembo, interior architect, Lembo Associates, New York.

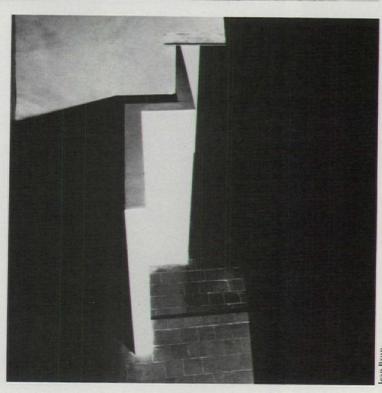
Program: joining of two 100year-old former residential three-story buildings into one new two-story theater/cabaret

Major materials: exposed concrete, high-gloss painted plaster, black slate tiles, oak dance floor, charcoal industrial carpet (see Building materials, p. 304). Consultants: Carlos Rodriguez,

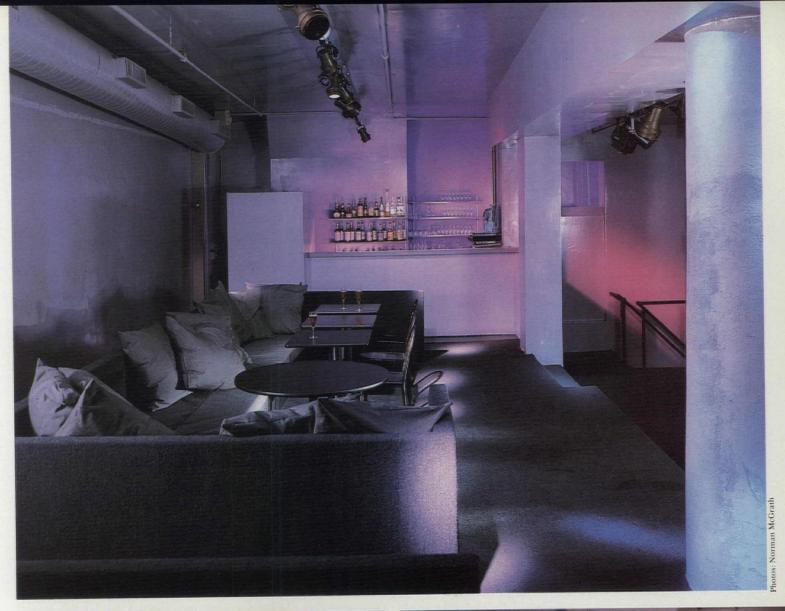
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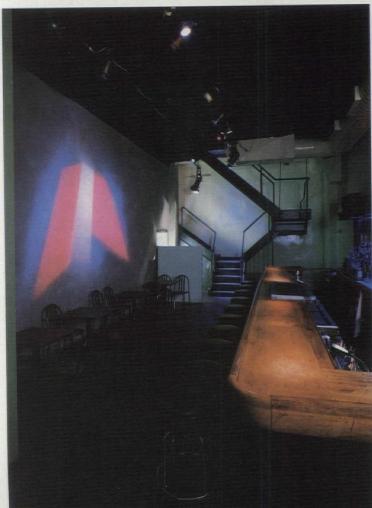


The partition straddling the bar and dance floor is half seen from the disco (top), and its top is seen from the main staircase in the bar (bottom). Another I-beam lintel is at the front passage between the two rooms (middle). The stairs in the bar (facing page, bottom left) are sometimes used for theatrical events. They lead to the upstairs lounge (facing page top) where concrete walls are colored by intense light, and carpeting turns up to become upholstery on the banquette seating. In the cabaret (facing page, bottom right) next to the lounge, "reissued" side chairs were designed by Mallet-Stevens in the 1920s.







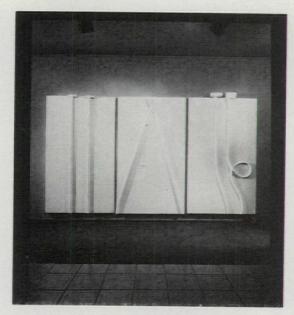




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## Basic black with pearls

An unorthodox black twist on a classic Miesian plan defers to a mini-museum in Ridgway Ltd.'s own office.



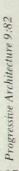
In 1982, a Modernist office in a glass and steel tower won't raise any eyebrows. But this particular one may break a few hearts. The offices of Ridgway Ltd. in Newport Beach, Ca, while based on a classic theme, offer two striking variations: an all-black color scheme, and a 40-ft painting by contemporary master Jim Dine that is the centerpiece of a virtual mini-museum.

The offices of the architecture and development firm occupy half a floor (6000 sq ft) of the 1973 Union Bank Building designed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill in Newport Center, the city's chief commercial development. When you step off the elevator into Ridgway's lobby, you find yourself face to face with the first Dine-one of the series of oversized tools and garden implements from the mid-1970s-and you know that art and architecture are meeting on serious ground. For those familiar with the firm, this is hardly news; Ridgway partner and founder (with Phyllis Lambert) Gene R. Summers commissioned Dine to produce a major art program for the firm's renovation of the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles six years ago (P/A, Nov. 1978, pp. 66-71). In the reception area, a Dine "bathrobe" canvas and a folding screen greet visitors, who simultaneously become aware that while the layout and furnishings are High Miesian-open plan, Barcelona chairs, and so on-the color scheme is not. Instead of the expected white, you see black-on partitions, floors, cabinets, shades, and accessories, down to the last tape dispenser. But the initial shock at this inversion of standard practice quickly gives way to wonder as the visitor is led into the main work area, where a 40-ft wall is covered with Dine's The Gate (Pershing Square)—an arresting, mysterious, and ultimately seductive tangle of junglelike vegetation behind a wrought-iron gate, commissioned for the office by Summers. And when you can take your eyes off the painting, you notice that the office commands a breathtaking panorama of Newport Beach Harbor; the phrase "an embarrassment of riches" springs to mind.

While it is not surprising that Summers, a veteran of Mies van der Rohe's Chicago office, would choose an orthodox Modern scheme for his own headquarters, the question remains: why paint it black? "We're used to modern architecture being white-the wall as a neutral plane," he explained. "But I felt that black would provide a much better background for the art." What Summers did not expect, however, was that the black, apart from creating an effective backdrop, would prove such a relaxing color. In contrast to the sunwashed view and general brightness of the surrounding Southern California landscape, the darkness of the interior is cool and quiet, with transparent black solar shades easing the visual transition from indoors to out by eliminating glare. "With the shades drawn, the window walls look like a tapestry," remarked Summers.

The 14-person office is organized so that the work areas (drafting and design) are located in the center, with conference and office areas at either end. Within this open plan, cabinets, area rugs, and furniture groupings provide definition. Task lighting at the drawing tables is supplemented by photographers' barn-door lights aimed at the pale gray ceiling, whose grid is turned 45 degrees to the floor plan. "It makes the ceiling read more as a plane," added Summers, "and it leads the eye in only two directions: to the big painting or to the view." Craftsmanship and detailing are, not surprisingly, blue-chip, with custom ripsawn-oak cabinets and oak floors stained black, and black marble table tops in conference and office areas.

Apart from commissioning Dine's work for the Biltmore ("I thought that his images were appropriate and recognizable"), Summers had never asked the artist to do a painting in



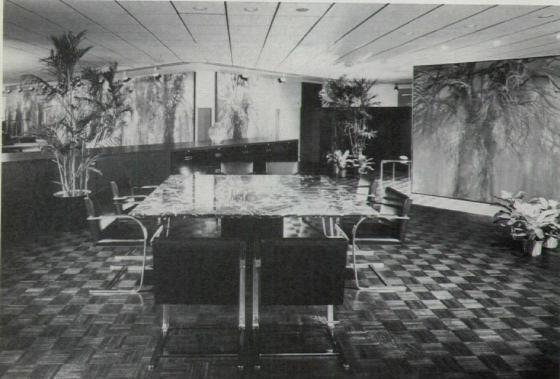




The monochromatic painting by Jim Dine in Ridgway Ltd.'s elevator lobby (facing page) signals a serious interest in contemporary art, even to those unaware of the longstanding connection between the artist and the client. The reception area (this page, bottom) tells more, with one of the many variations Dine has painted on the bathrobe theme, a Dine folding screen, and a model of the Biltmore, the Los Angeles hotel that was bought and renovated by Ridgway, and filled with Dine's work. Dine's The Gate (Pershing Square), a 40-ft canvas commissioned for the office, covers the wall of the central work area; the office's black color scheme is a foil for the various works of art, especially the complex, monumental Gate.



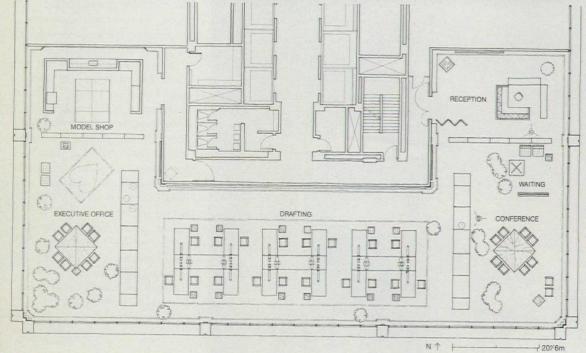




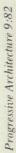
The waiting area (this page, top left), between the reception and conference areas, looks toward one of the paintings from Dine's tree series that in part inspired the much larger painting just around the corner. The view from the reception desk (top right) looks toward the entry; the reception area offers the first indication that black dominates the color scheme of the office interior.

The conference area (middle) occupies a corner of the space. In classic Miesian fashion, it is defined by cabinets and partitions and is furnished with a marble-topped table and Brno chairs.

Lighting in the work area (facing page, top) is supplied by desk lamps, and by photographers' barn-door lights, which are aimed at the pale gray ceiling. The ceiling grid is turned 45 degrees to lead the eye to either the Gate canvas or, in the opposite direction, to the view outside. The forest of desk lamps and uplights (bottom) creates a striking composition of skeletal forms, in stark contrast to the brooding lushness of the vegetation depicted in The Gate.



The plan (left) of the office illustrates the roughly U-shaped layout of the existing space, with reception and conference areas at one end, and partner's office and production area at the other end; the main work (design and drafting) area occupies the central zone. Window walls on three sides offer a panoramic view of the scenery below. Visible in the plan, although not in the photographs, is Dine's heart rug in the partner's office; it was brought down to Newport Beach from the Biltmore, for which it was originally designed.





all the 20 years that he has collected his work. Last year, when the two discussed the office commission, Summers, who had recently bought two paintings from Dine's series of trees of 1980, suggested that the artist might create "a whole forest" for the wall in question. But Dine was also interested in the series of gate paintings that he had done earlier, and what resulted, after Dine emerged from two months of working in the Biltmore's basement early this year, was a hybrid of the two themes. Summers was pleased by the parenthetical reference in the painting's title to Pershing Square, the Biltmore's neighborhood. He is not interested in what he calls "horizontal" collecting of one or two works by many different artists; he prefers to concentrate, and as a result, he jokes, "I've got more Dines than Dine has." Ridgway's collection, nevertheless, is infiltrated by a few select aliens: Brancusi's sculpture The Chieftains; and several prehistoric American Indian pots.

The office, like a tiny, well-endowed museum, exudes privileged perfection. It is, after all, a somewhat daunting reminder that the most successful integrations of art and architecture are often accomplished in commissions for private patrons. But it manages not to lose the unpretentiousness of the small, communal office that it is. Its impressiveness is mitigated by personal, idiosyncratic twists-but the twists are deliberate, knowing inversions of time-honored practice.

[Pilar Viladas]



Project: Ridgway Ltd. offices, Newport Beach, Ca. Architects: Ridgway Ltd. Program: approximately 6000 sq ft of office space, with reception, conference, and work areas. Mechanical systems: air supply and return through continuous slot at joint between gypsum board and ceiling tile. Major materials: gypsum

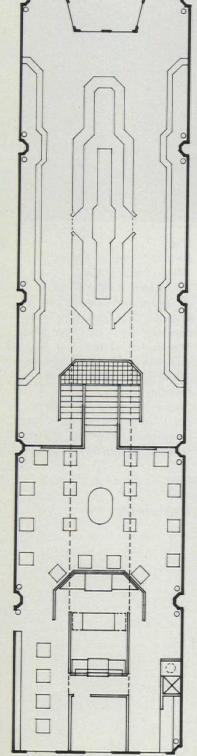
board, carpet, acoustical ceiling (see Building materials, p. 304). General contractor: Ridgway

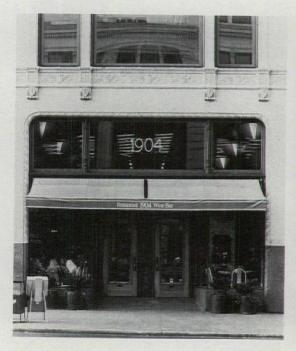
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Photography: Toshi Yoshimi.

## Narrow and urbane

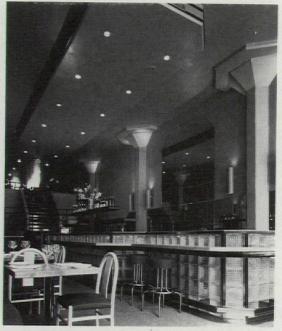
With materials reminiscent of an earlier era and detailed with consummate skill, a new restaurant appears in Seattle.





It is not rare to dine in a fine restaurant in Seattle, but it is a pleasure when such an establishment is also housed in a fine space. The 1904 Restaurant, designed by Olson/Walker Partners, is that combination, with an unself-conscious urbanity and an easy air that attracts what the architects call "diverse professional types and urban dwellers." Seattle's first wine bar, 1904 specializes in unique foods and, of course, wine by the glass.

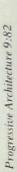
Located between Downtown Seattle and an area called the Denny Regrade-zoned to become a major urban residential area—the restaurant seems in a perfect area to draw exactly the clientele it wants. Formerly a religious bookstore, the space was hardly ideal because of its narrow (24') and long (105') dimensions. Behind the storefront-one of five in the 1930s building, the architects began with a two-story space intensified with strong original columns with angled capitals. Taking cues from these elements, the design makes use of 1930s materials and angled interior appointments, but detailed in a 1980s way. Choosing to reinforce, rather than downplay, the long, narrow space, the architects placed seating along the sides and long standing bar space down the center.



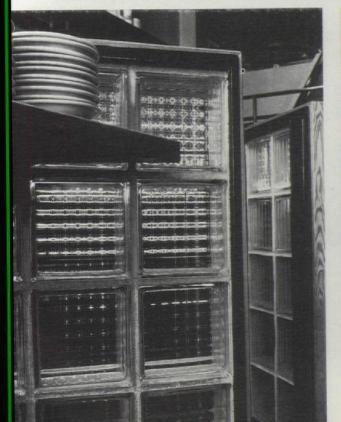
Glass block, wood, and steel are the predominant materials, and the detailing is elegantly handled. Lighting also plays a major role, with hidden neon in the glass block counters, and custom-made tubular lights washing and highlighting the columns very effectively. Carpet and upholstery help to soften an otherwise rather hard room. By placing the bar area upstairs on a mezzanine, the architects increased the options for patrons to observe the activity in the space below and "become players in a continuing urban soap opera," as they put it.

The stair to the mezzanine becomes a powerful element in the room; the use of steel and glass block here is one example of the beautiful detailing, with glass block landing floor and low walls. Under the mezzanine is the kitchen, tucked away unobtrusively from the rest of the space. Mirrored panels on the side walls of the two-story main level help to extend the dimension of the narrow width visually, and they are chamfered at the top corners to echo the column capitals.

In plan, the tables and counter on the lower level permit easy movement from the serving island to the tables and form an easy channel from the front to the mezzanine stair. The architects have achieved the type of "social/ theatrical setting" they set out to create, and with an extremely high level of quality that is refreshing. [Jim Murphy]













Glass block, used in both walls and stair landings, helps light to penetrate the deep space, while uplighting emphasizes the angular column capitals.

#### Data

Project: 1904 Restaurant/Bar,

Seattle, Wa.

Architects: Olson/Walker Partners, Seattle; project team, Gordon Walker, Dennis Mortensen.

Client: 1904, Inc.

Program: wine bar intended to attract professional clientele and urban residents. Design to reuse a two-story storefront in an existing 1930s building.

Structural system: existing reinforced concrete.

Mechanical system: forced air heating and cooling.

Major materials: glass block, wood and steel trim and framing for stair, gypsum board, carpet (see Building materials, p. 304). Consultants: structural, Rattil

Fossatti.

General contractor: owner/ architect contracted.

Costs: \$55 per sqft.

Photography: Victor Gardaya.



## House calls

When Antonio Morello and Donato Savoie of MORSA converted raw space in New York to a doctor's residence, their attention to detail was as sure as a surgeon's hand.



Austerity reigns in the bedroom (right), but a vertical wall sculpture is illuminated by colored lights hidden in a niche. The kitchen (bottom right) is as simply detailed as the whole apartment; it borrows light and view from the bathroom, which is at its right.

#### Data

**Project:** loft apartment for a doctor, New York.

Architects: Antonio Morello and Donato Savoie of MORSA. Program: convert 1800 sqft of raw space to residential use. Major materials: plaster, Aosta green marble, structural glazing,

green marble, structural glazing oxidized copper (see Building materials, p. 304).

Contractors: Baggio Bono, Inc., general contracting; A+G Marble Co., Inc., marble installation; Tana Construction Co., woodwork and cabinet work; Inner City Electrical Contractors, electrical; Model Brass, custom brass installation.

Photography: Studio Azzuro.

Manhattan's lower Fifth Ave., once fashionable for living, is again seeing a return to residential use. But now people are moving into the office buildings which, after the turn of the Century, replaced the grand mansions that once lined the avenue. The loft apartment shown here, for instance, is on the 12th floor of a converted handsome neo-Gothic office building.

The client, a neurologist at a large New York hospital, bought the raw 1800-sq-ft loft wishing to live in one open space, very simple and austere, with small areas for kitchen and bathroom. She wanted a haven from the daily turmoil of the hospital.

In fulfilling her needs, the architects designed 65 ft of closet space along the back walls of the apartment and a line of cabinets and bookshelves under the window sills of the perimeter walls. With this amount of storage space, only things needed or wanted at any particular time would be out.

The kitchen and bathroom are at one end of the L-shaped space, and the bathroom almost becomes part of the kitchen. The two are separated only by a glass partition and door, as privacy was not a problem for someone who lives alone. The main reason for this arrangement, though, was to have the bathroom's daylight and view for the kitchen.

Except for the green marble of the bathroom, most of the apartment is white. Even the floors, which were stripped, were pigmented with white paint before resealing. The metal window frames and radiators were also stripped and clear-sealed.

Lighting is recessed in the ceiling, but in the sleeping area a vertical niche holds colored lights that illuminate a serial wall sculpture designed by the architects. In the kitchen, the copper exhaust hood over the stove has been turned into a decorative, sculptural element, and it was given a quick oxidation to green through an application of muriatic acid.

The restraint of the design and subtlety of the detailing are only part of the story, however, because the architects were also able to choose the furniture and furnishings. And it is the combination of all of these elements that makes the apartment so appealing. In such a space, only a very sure eye would successfully juxtapose an 18th-Century Florentine refectory table with contemporary Italian dining chairs and a 19th-Century carousel

horse from Kansas City. And only such an eye could have invented the curtains. They are extremely functional in allowing many configurations, are simply constructed of parachute fabric, and work on lines and pulleys as easy to use as those for sails on a boat. They charge the space with drama, and in effect sum up an entire effort that is unique not in its restraint, but in achieving restraint with a considerable degree of éclat. [David Morton]





## Thick and thin

A small office by Redroof Design is a carefully detailed exercise in contrasts and proportion.

The dropped soffit defines the waiting area in the reception room (this page, top right, and axonometric). A clerestory between the private office and support room (middle right) makes the subdivided spaces read as one. Both the reception room and private office (facing page, top and bottom left) demonstrate a skillful blending of furniture styles. The glazed partition opens to reveal the private office (facing page, top right); the door to the support room is visible at left. When the partition intersects the wall between the two rooms (bottom right), the clerestory picks up the datum height in an elegant play of planes.

The client calls it "a posh phone booth." This is an apt description, figuratively as well as literally, of the 1000-sq-ft New York office of Agrigenetics Research, a Denver-based agricultural genetic-engineering firm. The company's president, R.N. Dryden, Jr., asked Redroof Design architects for a place to house a small executive office and support staff; partner-in-charge Franklin Salasky saw an opportunity to create an appropriately modern office that, no less appropriately, carried on the venerable tradition of total design.

The office is divided into three rooms: reception, private office, and support. Salasky faced the problem of directing visitors from the corner entry to Dryden's office in the opposite corner. A large, built-in desk funnels them (via two 90-degree turns) into the center of the reception room, where a grouping of Streamline-Moderne-influenced lounge seating awaits those who sit and wait. This area is defined by a soffit that Salasky dropped to a height of 7'-6" around two sides of the room (it also contains air-conditioning ductwork). One expects the soffit to extend at least as far into the room as the edge of the desk, but it doesn't; the ceiling suddenly jumps to 10 ft to define a "waiting room" proper that centers on Dryden's office. This slippage is echoed in the way that an existing structural column slides out from under its "entablature," the dropped soffit.

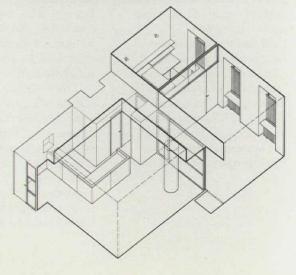
A glazed, sandblasted partition and doors screen the private office and support room from view; this "thin, tensile membrane" is pierced by the wall between the two rooms, and interrupted visually by the fat, round column. The wall itself is reduced to a membrane by a clerestory that picks up the 7'-6" datum and extends to 10'-9", thereby setting up an elegant play of vertical and horizontal planes, transparent and opaque surfaces, and full volumes and thin lines. The clerestory, furthermore, makes the two rooms read as one.

The window wall was furred out to conceal structural columns, and the resulting deep reveals reflect light into the spaces. In Dryden's office, a Stickley rocking chair coexists peacefully with the more minimal forms of the granite table, ash cabinets, and iron brackets and bookends.

A gimlet eye for detail marks the continuity between large scale and small: in the wall







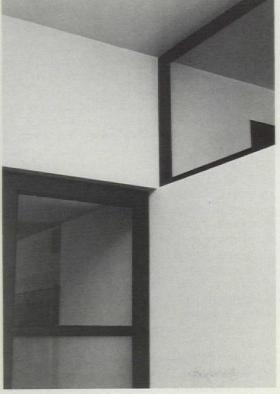






lights and vertical blinds that carry out the datum height; in the credenza and bookshelves that carry out the play of line and volume; and in the pared-down, custom-designed hardware. The only fault in this agile orchestration is the monumental reception desk; any way you look at it, it disrupts the delicate proportions of the rest of the project. But in its calmly ordered geometry, its skillful mix of furnishings from different periods, and its subtle grasp of color and light, the project offers positive proof that opposites do attract. [Pilar Viladas]





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**Project:** Agrigenetics Research, New York, NY.

Architect: Redroof Design, New York, NY; Franklin Salasky, partner in charge.

Program: a 1000-sq-ft executive office including reception and support areas, in a 1940s office building.

Major materials: gypsum board, glazed partitions, carpet (see Building materials, p. 304). Consultants: Kaufman, Randolph, Tate Fine Arts Services, art.

General contractor: Anthony Sgroi Custom Fabricators Ltd.; James Sgroi, job supervisor. Cost: withheld at client's request. Photography: Timothy Hursley, Hursley/Lark/Hursley.

## Le tute Paris

L'Institut Français d'Architecture, housed in a 16th-Century hôtel in Paris, leads visitors along an extraordinarily varied path.

L'Institut Français d'Architecture (the French Institute of Architecture) in Paris has set out to become the foremost center for the promotion of architecture in France. Its own offices, then, should be exemplary. In 1980, IFA held a competition for the design of its quartersabout 16,000 sq ft of space distributed through parts of the private 16th-Century Hôtel de Branca located in Paris's clothes manufacturing district, not far from the Sen-

The program was straightforward—to house 20 administrative offices and 5000 sq ft of exhibition and reception space. But the quarters were not at all straightforward. Sections of the hôtel had retained the elaborate embellishments of trompe-l'oeil, marbleized columns, and rows of busts. Other parts of the building-the former stables, for example, that at one time had served as a storeroom-were encumbered with large ventilation ducts running along the ceiling and walls. Furthermore, the organization of space was rendered extremely complicated by the location of another tenant in the center of the building.

Architect Gilles Bouchez, who won the design competition, chose not to do the obvious. He refused to take cues from the historical parts of the building. Ignoring the marbleized extravagance of the existing hôtel, he designed his spaces to be light, clean, and for the most part white. He also turned his back on the obvious entrance, the rather grand entry court leading to the sumptuous main stairway, and chose instead to locate the public entry further up the street, in the former stable area. This caused the plan to be dominated by a long, sinuous circulation path, through the exhibition hall, past the cafeteria, and finally to the garden and the conference room. It was this intriguing parti that seems to have captivated the judges, and led them to choose Bouchez's design.

During the execution of the design, several unforeseen circumstances caused unexpected alterations. The exhibition room, located adjacent to the street, was to have large windows to entice passersby. The windows would have been created by reopening the original stable doors, but the building owner refused to allow any changes on the exterior. Then, city regulations would not permit the conference room to be located underground, beneath the garden, as called for in the original plans. Finally, the ventilation ducts in the area slated to become the entry exhibition space could

not, after all, be removed, but these Bouchez decided to turn to his advantage: One vertical duct was enclosed in an exaggerated fluted column (actually a quarter column); this contrasts strikingly with a skinny central column that is given a massive base; and the ceiling ducts, encased in hardboard, create a sculpturally stepped ceiling.

The entry/exhibition area, then, all white, becomes a rather distinctive space with its play of awkward columns, its molded ceiling, and the curved half-wall and change in floor levels that separate the entrance area and the exhibition space. It is more quirky than elegant, however-a collection of elements that intend to be witty, but do not quite make it as a designed entity.

The next space on the route is far stronger; here, a heavy curved rusticated colonnade divides the circulation space from a smaller exhibition room.

And in the next room is the kitchen-in itself a tour de force. The upper cabinets are eaten away in random but smooth curves, as if waves had worn them down over the ages. The freestanding angled bar reflects erosion,



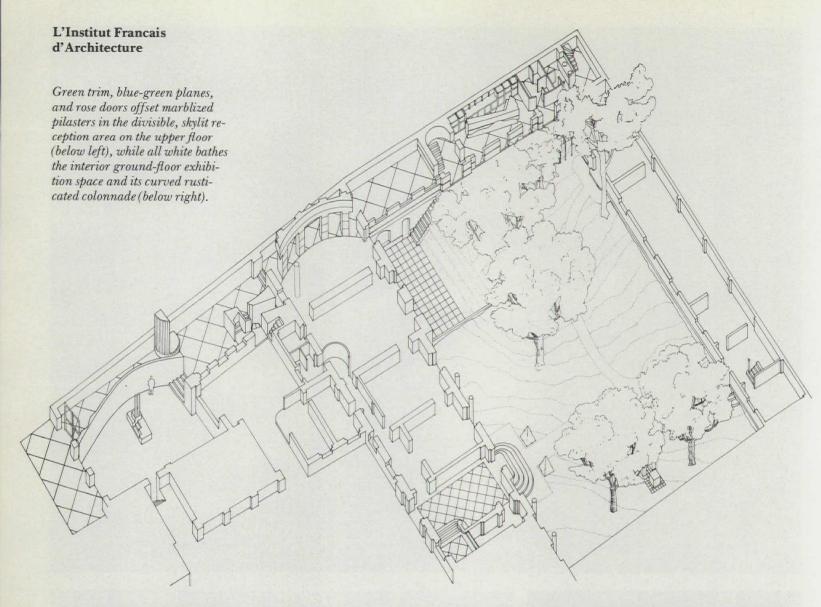






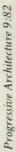
Extravagant trompe l'œil and metalwork still exist in certain parts of the 16th-Century Hôtel, such as the main stair hall (oppo-site page and left), but in the areas that had to be totally redesigned, the architect took a different tack. In the entry/exhibition area (top, above, and right), walls and ceilings are painted white, and a virtue is made of necessity: horizontal ducts are encased in hardboard to create a "sculptured" ceiling, and a verti-cal duct masquerades as an over-scaled fluted quarter column.













In the kitchen (top left), wave forms "eat away" the top of the wooden wall cabinets and the bottom of the freestanding counter's marble front. In a reading room (bottom left), the wave forms fill in the tops of the built-in shelving. Another view of the entry/exhibition area (below) again shows existing elements exaggerated to effect: A pair of skinny pipe "columns," strongly contrasting with the gross quarter column in the background, is given a massive base.

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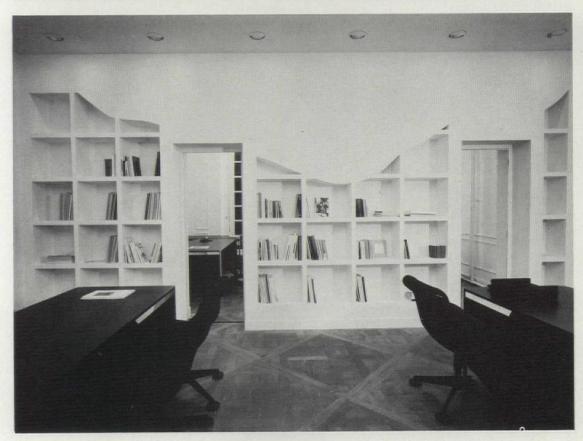
Project: L'Institut Français d'Architecture, Paris, France. Architects: G.J. Bouchez & Associates, Paris.

Client: The Department of the Environment.

Program: two floors of a private 16th-Century hôtel and its outbuildings, remodeled into exhibition rooms, reception areas, con-

ference rooms, cafeteria, and

administrative offices. **Photography:** Deidi von Schaewen.





too, with its marble covering cut away to reveal a bottle green undercoat.

In some office spaces, original paneling exists and is retained. In other offices, cabinet work reflects the wavy eroded image of the kitchen. On the upper level, the skylit reception room uses painted planes of green, blue, and rose to offset marbleized pilasters.

But while the passage through the building is an adventure, with each space different and unexpected, the totality does not quite jell. Following the contours of ventilation ducts does not, in itself, create a charming ceiling, nor does a gross quarter column necessarily become "witty." Gilles Bouchez does not consider himself a "post-modernist," but one has the feeling, nonetheless, that current trends have led him to assume that "anything goes." [Susan Doubilet]

## After all these years

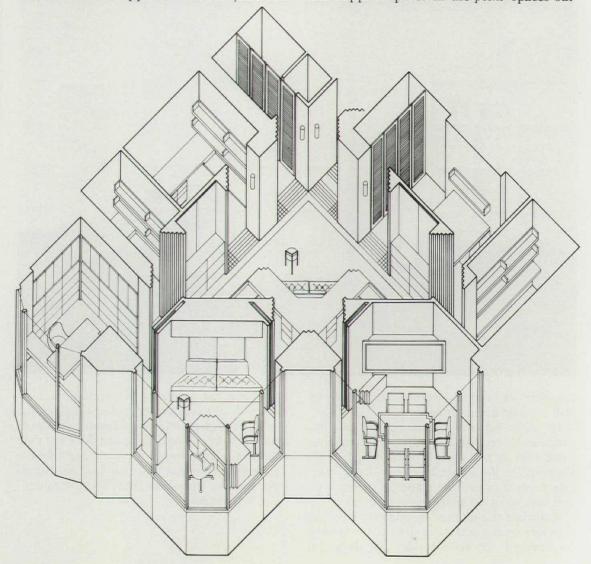
#### David Woodhouse

SOM-trained architect Gregory Landahl explores their interior design tradition, but with a taste for more ornate material and inflection in this stockbroker's office.

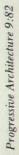
It is not as uncommon as it ought to be to see buildings and especially interiors look as if their designers have run amok in some architectural Bartlett's, snatching details like booty-crazed gameshow contestants given 15 minutes in a well-stocked supermarket, mixed their loot into a perversely mannered bedlam, tarted it up with a snickeringly mendacious eye for the use of materials, and served the result up to the bemused client as a "fey accompli." Architects have had to issue libretti because their audience can't make out the words over the clash and clangor of the orchestra, and interiors groan under the rhetorical tonnage of references from Bomarzo to La Rotonda to Adam's house in paradise.

Such splendors make a rich diet, so it can come as a relief to the sated to find that the more traditional approach can still yield new delights, as is shown by Greg Landahl in this office for a Chicago institutional stock broker and his small staff high up in Skidmore, Owings & Merrill's Three First National Plaza. Here the traditional Modernist architectural virtues of formal abstraction, comprehensive detailing, and the candid use of fine materials are combined with the traditional interior design virtues of delight in the natural and geometric patterns of materials and surfaces, and the pleasure in the display of exquisite objects and possessions.

The offices are located in an orderless wedge-shaped leftover space on a multipletenant floor, which contains a single irregularly placed column and has three unequal full-height bay windows giving some of the only diagonal views in orthogonal Chicago. Landahl has organized the individual offices and support spaces in the poché spaces sur-



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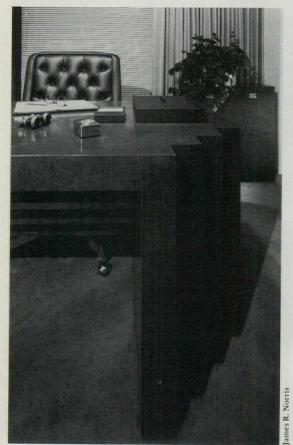






Off the triangular reception area (seen from door, top; from clerical area, bottom) are the various offices and conference room entered through emphatically notched portals. Much of the furniture is designed by the architect with soft fabrics—wool, glove leather, velvet, silk—against wood or brass. Colors are green, beige, brass, and redwood to complement the client's poster collection.





The sawtooth geometry is played through a variety of scales, from plan to doorways (top left) to bronze computer covers (above). The most elaborately sawtoothed desk is in Driehaus's office (top right, bottom left). Other brokers' desks have only two notches, a mark of distinction reminiscent of the clawed toes of Oriental furniture, where the number of claws indicates rank.

Facing page: detail of the terrazzo floor with inset brass strips intersecting at corners (left). Right: detail of the custom conference table in mahogany and redwood burl with brass "reveal." The Mies chairs are finished in green glove leather and brass.

rounding a large triangular reception and secretarial room. This space is ordered by stepped portals leading to the peripheral rooms. These forms (whose profile Landahl ingenuously says was suggested by the zigzagged page shape of the building's rental brochure) are repeated at various scales throughout the offices: in the vertical and horizontal elements of the custom wood desks, the corners of the tops of the desks and conference table, the brass strips in the terrazzo flooring, and the bases of the bronze cowls that cover computer terminals on the principal's desk. These stepped portals provide emphasis for the entrances to the doorless peripheral spaces by providing highly sculptural nonrepresentational moldings, and they suggest great wall thickness, which is actually taken up by built-in file cabinets and multiple seating. Furniture is either built in or treated as abstracted blocks, as in the case of the desks, or as isolated sculptural objects, as in the case of the classic chairs and occasional tables.

The rigor of the geometry is relieved by the rich materials, used both for their own sakes and for the patterns on their surfaces. Redwood burl veneers on the desks, dark green





glove leather on the brass-framed Brno chairs, wool cut pile carpet, greenish black terrazzo with brass pattern strips, tufted velvet couches, and silk draperies all are used as foils for the hard-edged objects and profiles around them. All of the materials have been used with a keen sensitivity to the wide range of variation within their surfaces. The colors are all natural except for the carpet and the velvet, which are various shades of green between, appropriately enough, one side or the other of a dollar bill, and were selected to harmonize with the client's art collection.

Here Landahl was especially fortunate. Whereas even David Hicks has had to cope with peeresses with a predilection for sadeyed clown paintings, this client has a remarkable collection of original posters and periodical artwork, mostly from France of *La Belle Epoque*. The two most prominent works, Mucha's Bernhardt as *Gismonda* and as *La Dame aux Camélias* are hung in the triangular reception room facing the entry. The posters

and magazine covers are carefully framed and regularly changed. They present the offices' only hint of paradox—the ephemeral (salvaged, restored, and preserved) made permanent. In the conference room, a large Tiffany stained-glass panel depicting bustling commerce as power line pylons, smoke stacks, and pinnacled skyscrapers has been taken from a suburban power generation plant and backlit on an inside wall. By day it is a colorful complement to the cityscape outside. By night its image is superimposed on that of the city as it is reflected on the inside surface of the conference room windows.

The overall atmosphere of the rich dark brown of the woods; deep green of the leather, velvet, and carpet; the yellowish shine of the brass; and the fin-de-siècle artwork with the abstracted, almost Neo-Classical, portals is elegantly masculine, foppishly Edwardian (not the slightly decadent Beerbohm Yellow Bookish kind, of course, but the respectable Pall Mall clubbish kind).

Webster's says that definition is the determination of limits. The project eschews the latest architectural excess, staying within the generally determined limits of Modernist architectural design, and yet does not display any signs of having been constrained by those limits. It is a distinguished combination of thoughtful formal abstraction, carefully comprehensive detailing, and the deft use of evocative materials and objects in the traditional Modernist manner.

#### Data

**Project:** Driehaus Research Associates, Chicago.

Architect: Gregory W. Landahl, The Landahl Group, Chicago.

Building architects: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Chicago.

Program: 1800-sq-ft institutional stock brokerage. Client asked for a partially residential atmosphere, inclusion of his Belle Epoque posters and Tiffany glass window, and a preponderance of green, his favorite color.

Major materials: painted gypsum board, linen wallcovering, terrazzo, wool carpet, mahogany, redwood burl, and plastic laminate furniture, bronze planters and accessories (see Building materials, p. 304).

Consultants: I.A. Naman, mechanical and electrical. Contractors: Madison Associates, Turner Construction, J.H. Oster Woodworking.

## Double crosses

Unusual circumstances allow architects Robert and Trix Haussmann to develop a totally unified theme in the remodeling of a medical building pharmacy.

This page: In the expansion and redesign of the Stauffacher pharmacy in Zurich, the entire ground-floor façade of a medical building was redone, using travertine cladding and playing on a theme of Greek crosses. Leaded green and white glass crosses are inset into floor-to-ceiling-height cross-shaped windows.

Opposite page: The cruciform windows (top) give views into the interior, which has travertine floors and counters, oak cabinet work, and a polished steel strip ceiling (below).

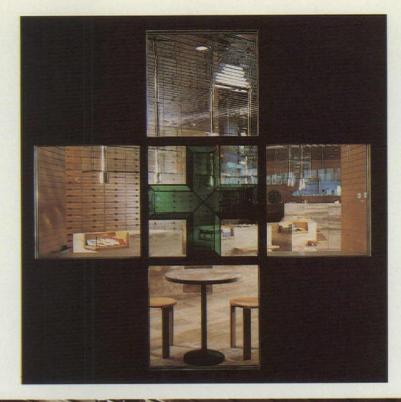


When Zurich architects Robert and Trix Haussmann were commissioned to redesign a pharmacy located in the ground floor of a medical building, they had two aims in mind. They wanted to give the pharmacy a new and more efficient organization, and they wished to develop a new image for it.

As luck would have it, the coffee shop that used part of the ground floor became vacant at this time, and the pharmacy was able to extend into its area. To unite the spaces, however, the main entrance to the medical building had to be relocated, requiring major façade changes. The architects took the opportunity to recommend rebuilding the ground floor façade in its entirety in order to develop a unified image for the pharmacy, and the clients agreed to this undertaking.

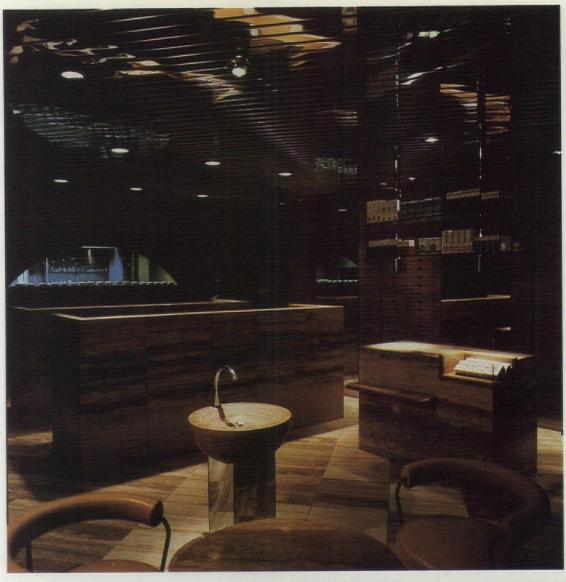
The pharmacy entrance was kept in its original position in the curved corner of the building, and a secondary door was located at the building's main entrance. From here, the major theme was developed: floor-to-ceiling-height Greek crosses form the pharmacy's fenestration, with a second Greek cross, traditionally wrought in lead-framed green and white handmade glass, placed in each window's center. These unusual win-











Data

Project: The Stauffacher Pharmacy, Zurich, Switzerland.
Architects: Robert and Trix
Haussmann, Zurich; Stefan
Zwicky, interiors.

Clients: Dr. and Mrs. Langer-Scotoni.

**Program:** to extend and redesign a pharmacy on the ground floor of a medical building, and to redesign the ground floor facade, developing a new image for the pharmacy.

Major materials: exterior: noce striato travertine, leaded handmade glass window motifs. Interior: noce striato travertine floors and major elements, stained oak built-in cabinetwork, mirrors, polished steel strip ceiling decking.

Photography: Daniel Germann and Stefan Zwicky.

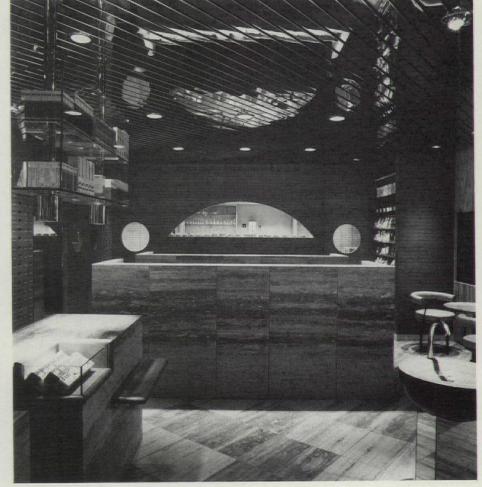
Because the pharmacy's image stresses the dispersion of health-care advice over the dispensation of material goods, a travertine pharmaceutical sink is a central element (left), while cabinets enclose most of the wares. A segmental opening provides a view into the laboratory beyond.

dows fulfill two functions: They establish the pharmacy's image from the exterior, and they provide the appropriate light and views for the interior.

*Noce striato* travertine chosen for the cladding of the façade was felt to be in keeping with the cast stone façades of the existing 1940s building.

With the major theme established, the architects proceeded to develop the interior organization, forms, and materials. Here, their aim was to stress the pharmacy's function of providing health care and advice, and to downplay its commercial aspects: As many wares as possible were enclosed in cabinets. Noce striato travertine was used again, for the floors and major elements. All built-in furnishings are of stained oak, and the acoustic ceiling is of polished steel strip decking. The reflective ceiling and several floor-to-ceilingheight mirrors are the only flashy elements in the design, creating a somewhat jarring effect against the sedate and soberly massive travertine. The architects explain the use of the reflective surfaces as necessary to extend the space and to correct some of its faults.

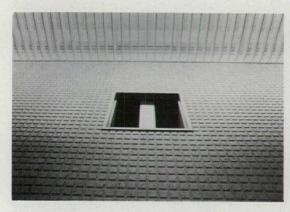
These reservations aside, the pharmacy projects a clean, efficient, and stately image, and unites its exterior and interior motifs exceptionally well. [Susan Doubilet]



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## Parts of the sum

A look at the elements of interior design as isolated incidents—the better to savor them.

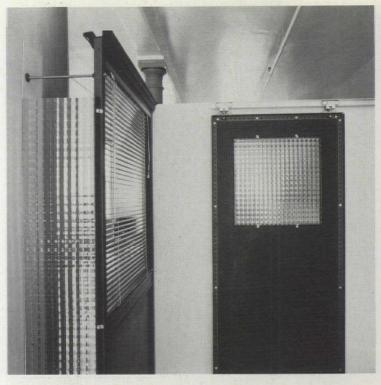




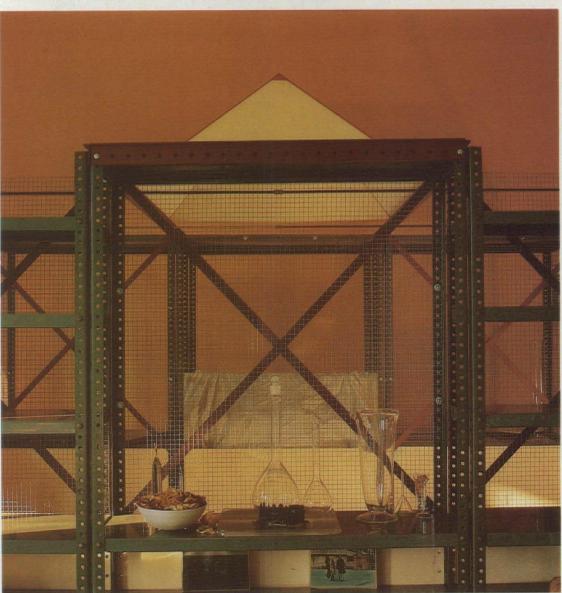
If God is, in fact, in the details, then it is more than appropriate to adopt, for the moment, a reverential regard for them as *details*—out of context, perhaps, but nonetheless in their full glory. While the smaller elements of interior design are hardly a new invention, architects' increased involvement in interior design has been paralleled by a renewed enthusiasm for detailing and craft. The notion of craftsmanship seems at last to have been purged of any lingering 1960s "handcraft" connotations, moving instead closer to the ideals of Early and High Modern periods, before architecture largely abdicated its role in interior design.

The details illustrated on these pages are chosen for their obvious attention to-and pleasure in-materials, proportion, and finish. Not surprisingly, many of them are executed in fine materials-an antidote, perhaps, to "gypboredom," an almost unavoidable economic syndrome. Wood appears in forms ranging from the most decorative ornament to abstract sculpture. The obvious opulence of stone, such as travertine and marble, has become a Modernist cliché: but here we see it used on a smaller, domestic scale, with greater regard for its plastic, rather than its monolithic, qualities. Examples of glass and ceramic tile indicate a movement away from the residual lovinghands-at-home aesthetic toward a more sophisticated handling of form and pattern that is more fine-art than folk-art.

The industrial aesthetic appears in both off-the-shelf and custom-made varieties, the latter a sumptuous brand of hard-structural craftsmanship that is evidence of the growing fascination with the work of architects such as Carlo Scarpa and Louis Kahn.
[Pilar Viladas]







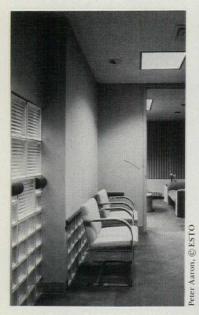
In the Dan residence, designed by architect Kunio Hashimoto (facing page, top left and right), an interior wall is pierced by a window that overlooks the garden. The wood moldings and detailing are even more pronounced in the column and capital at a corner of the wall. In the museum at Yufuin, Kyushu (facing page, lower right), Hiroshi Hara orchestrates a rich layering of referential details: the columns reminiscent of those in Wagner's Postal Savings Bank; Hoffmannesque grid ornament; and ceiling coffers pierced by triangular skylights and accentuated by foursquare ornament à la Mackintosh.

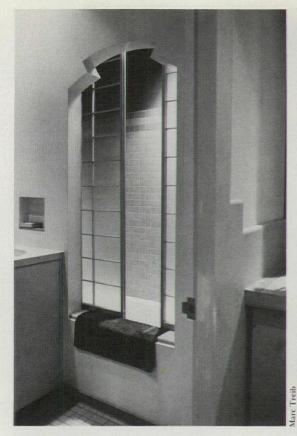
In his own New York loft (this page), architect Mark Cigolle experiments with layering of spaces, planes, and materials. A textured glass panel (upper left) joins a wall to a partition whose glazed opening is covered by a Venetian blind. Another door is mounted on industrial track; it too is pierced by a square window. Looking from the kitchen to the bathroom (upper right), "solid" and "void" planes, framed in red-painted metal, offer views of doors both hard (exit door in distance) and soft (the curtained partition in the bathroom). A "garden" pavilion (left), with alcoves reminiscent of the Japanese tokonoma, is constructed of green-painted steel shelving and wire mesh, with lintel and cross braces painted red, topped by a pyramidal light fixture of corrugated plastic.

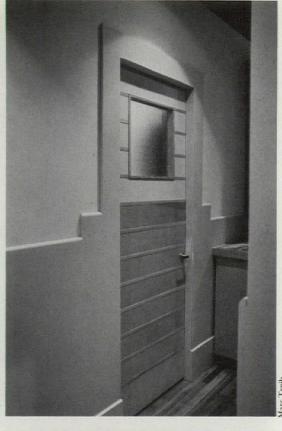
A wooden stair by John Chimera Architect (this page, middle left) is stripped to the bare essentials, with spare railings of iron. A wood stair rail in the Cipolla residence by Louis Mackall (middle right) becomes an abstraction of line and circle.

In the Mayer residence (bottom left and right), Washington, DC, architects Cass & Pinnell designed wood cabinets for storage and bar that, when closed, reveal only a taut surface of grid and

In the offices of Vapa Trading (below), designer Zerline Joffe and architect Wanatha Garner combined glass block with wood bullnose to create an unexpected interplay of forms as well as materials.



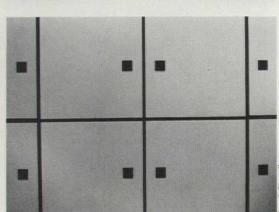




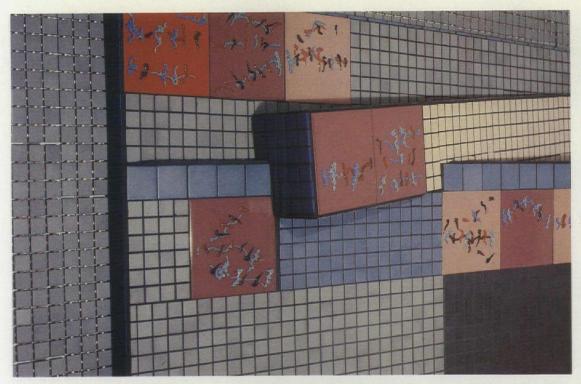


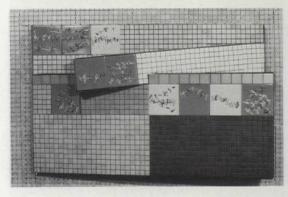






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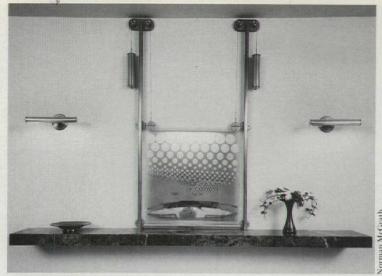


### Portfolio



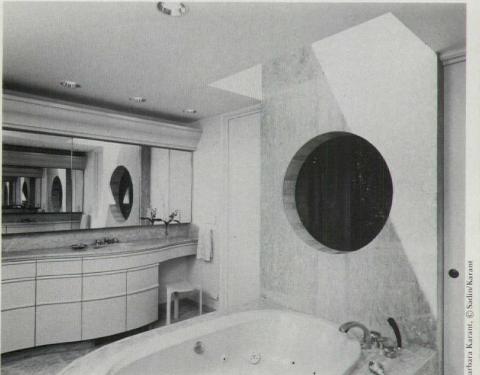
A sconce designed by Alan Buchsbaum (this page, upper left) nearly abstracts its functional elements of light source and reflector. A counterweighted sliding panel designed by architect Stuart Wrede (upper right) celebrates a mundane activity getting food and dishes from kitchen to dining room and back—with the luxurious materials of etched glass and brass arranged in an almost ritualistic form.

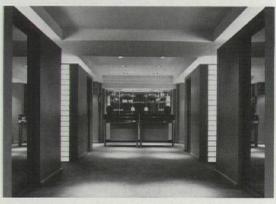
A leaded glass wall by Philadelphia artist John Beirs (left) encloses a corporate conference room. In a bathroom by Booth/Hansen & Associates (bottom left), a bathtub abuts a marble monolith with a porthole that seems to have slipped down, through a skylight, past the soffit. In the Stanley Korshak store in Chicago, brass and glass cases by Scott Himmel, Darcy Bonner & Associates, architects, display a luxurious structuralism.





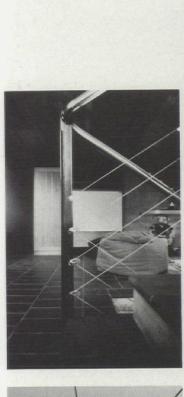




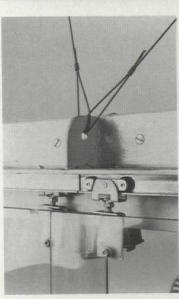




A travertine fireplace with a band of black marble (right), designed by John Chimera, echoes the void of the hearth in a mir-rored panel that creates ambiguous reflections. A stair rail for a house in Lugano, Switzerland (middle left), by architect Michael Dolinski is a reductionist exercise par excellence, with a brass rail, iron newel post, and taut steel wires. The mechanistic viewpoint is interpreted with almost sinful richness by Morsa Architecture and Design in the display cases for Artwear, a New York jewelry store (bottom left and right). Above white cabinets, glass cases are suspended from wires; lighting is mounted on the cases' steel frames.









# Dressed to sell

In Shaw-Walker's Chicago showroom, Robert A.M. Stern enlists architecture and merchandising in a mutual admiration society.



"We're not in the business of selling show-rooms," declares John Spofford, president of The Shaw-Walker Company. "We're in the business of selling furniture." But Mr. Spofford speaks with the assurance of a client who is having his cake and eating it, too, as a result of his collaboration with architect Robert A.M. Stern on Shaw-Walker's Chicago show-room. For while the furniture in this show-room is highly and appropriately visible, so is the architecture.

For those who consider the venerable office furniture manufacturer and the controversial architect strange bedfellows, consider this. Shaw-Walker, established in 1899, is "old, steady, and stable," in the words of Spofford (a grandson of founder L.C. Walker), with a rich store of history behind its name; Stern's stock-in-trade is historical interpretation. Shaw-Walker, despite its august reputation, had fallen into design obscurity and wanted to raise its profile; Stern is a high-profile architect. It is, when you think about it, a marriage made in heaven.

Stern set out to create a "show room, a highly articulated, particularized, and imagistic space that would be a framework for product display." His double-edged approach to this problem of merchandising design involved both "the compositional and the iconographic," the latter encompassing Classical ("old" Shaw-Walker) and Deco/Moderne ("new") elements. The showroom is located in a 12,000-sq-ft corner of the Merchandise Mart's eighth floor, at the junction of two major corridors. On the main approach, a solid, curving wall, punctuated by horizontally banded Moderne windows, announces the showroom's presence while allowing little more than an enticing glimpse into the space itself-a device that Stern likens to "taking the back out of a department store window.

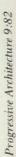


At the entrance, a large medallion of sandblasted glass depicts the company's logo, the "jumping man" developed around 1929 to promote Shaw-Walker's "skyscraper technology" methods of manufacturing steel file cabinets.

In the reception area, a pale green, formal foyer with rectangular piers, a seating alcove, and a gleaming marble floor, another "department store" window showcases both new and vintage Shaw-Walker products, giving visitors an immediate sense of the company's history. The alcove is rather like an inglenook with an icon instead of a fireplace. The icon is another "jumping man" medallion, this one in carved wood, gilded at the suggestion of graphics consultant Massimo Vignelli.

Stern's desire to create a "great hall" emphasizing the showroom's public nature, as well as the Mart's column grid, produced a basilical plan for the display area; its five square bays, easily divisible, afford large, flexible spaces for office systems and furniture. If this central space can be called a nave, the alcoves on either side are the chapels, whose concealed uplights dramatize the items displayed therein. Rectangular white piers, articulated by pilasters bear Deco-inspired torchères with faux marbre bases and shafts made of piping painted to simulate the patina of weathered copper-possibly the first known use of faux oxidation in interior design. "We tried using real oxidized copper," explains Stern, "but up close, it looked terrible."

Stern insisted on using as much natural light from the (east) window wall as possible; artificial lighting is diffused and indirect. He "raised" the 9'-4" ceilings with cove lighting to







avoid the usual proliferation of downlights that he terms "ceiling acne." The result is a refreshingly light and airy room, a relief from the dark eighth-floor corridors (and, too often, equally dark showrooms).

The architect's deft blending of architectural vocabularies reveals an astute grasp

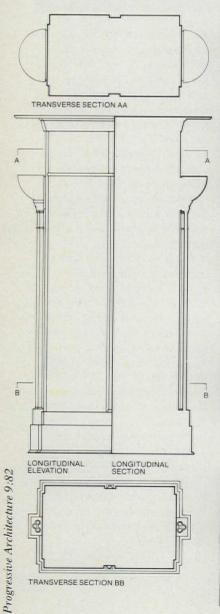
of his client's history. Shaw-Walker pioneered the use and manufacture of steel files and furniture in the early part of this century. It also pioneered the use of plastics such as Bakelite for office furniture; in fact, the gilt wood "jumping man" medallion is a 1950s copy of an earlier plastic version. The company was the first tenant in New York's Chrysler Building in 1931, a fact that makes

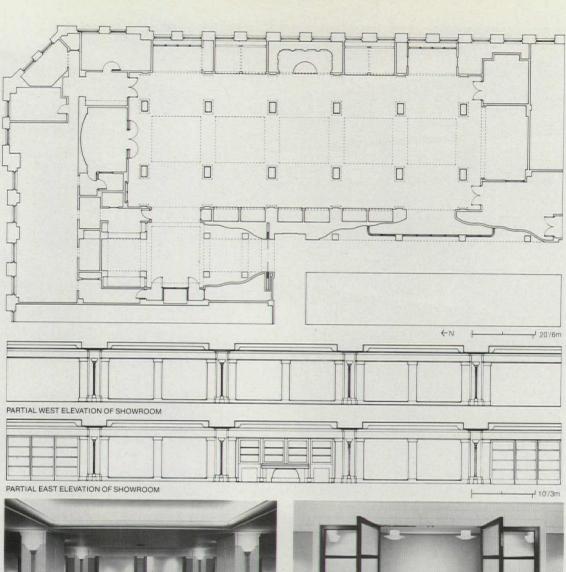
The showroom's exterior offers an inviting glimpse into the space through a Moderne "department store" window (facing page, left, and this page, bottom), and through open entrance doors that frame the reception area. A large gilt wood version of Shaw-Walker's "jumping man" logo is a golden magnet to passersby. The logo, in an illuminated, sandblasted-glass version, flanks the entrance doors and terminates the perpendicular corridor (facing page, right).

In the reception area (above), with its Classical piers, Decoinspired torcheres, and marble floor, another "department store" window houses a display of new and vintage Shaw-Walker products, including the first nonmetal file cabinet made for the Army during World War II, and a small wooden recipe file, one of the company's oldest items. The logo medallion, recently gilded at the suggestion of graphic consultant Massimo Vignelli, was carved in the 1950s (after a 1930s plastic version) by Edvins Auzins, a former Latvian bureaucrat who learned his craft in a displaced-persons camp during World War I.

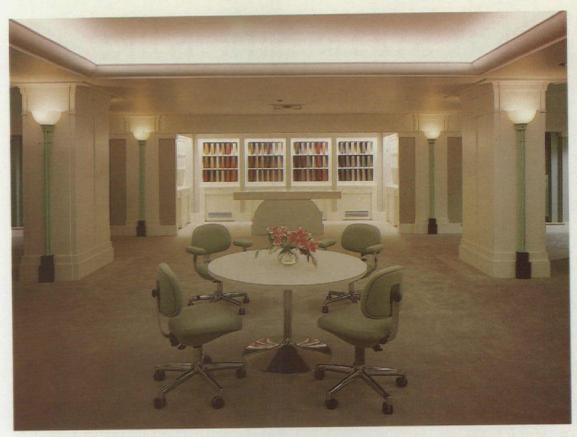
### Shaw-Walker showroom

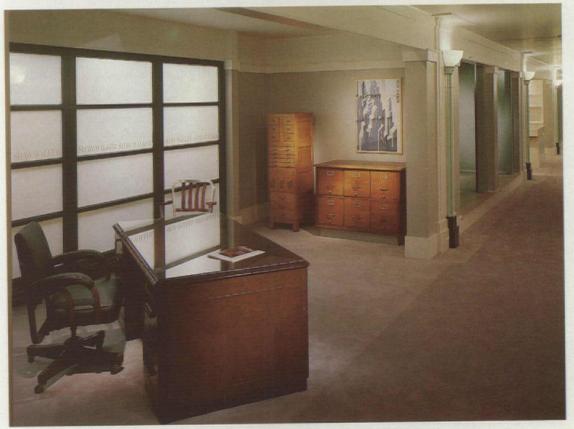
The shallow west bays of the showroom (plan, right, and photos, top left and bottom), display seating, while the deeper east bays display files, vintage furniture, and fabrics (photos, facing page); concealed uplighting dramatizes the merchandise. The cove lighting in the square central bays of the showroom, as well as the uplighting in torchères and alcoves, provides a generalized impression of daylight throughout the pale green space. The color, taken from a Shaw-Walker fabric, is a wry comment on the company's "green file cabinet" image. The result, however, is cool and elegant. Conference rooms are located at the north end of the center aisle and the southeast corner of the showroom (this page, top right), the latter adjacent to a furniture mock-up room located next to the freight elevator for unobtrusive loading and unloading.











Stern's Deco and Moderne references especially apt. And for Spofford, an avowed Deco buff ("My idea of great architecture is the main deck of the old Queen Elizabeth"), these allusions couldn't have been better if he had chosen them himself. But much of this lore (this is only a glimpse into the company's history) had been submerged in recent "updates" of its image; in fact, the "jumping man" was a casualty of one such purge, exiled until Spofford happened to show Stern and Vignelli some company literature from the early 1930s. The two were so taken with the old logo that they urged Spofford to revive it.

For Bob Stern, the immediate future involves showrooms for Washington, DC, and New York as well as short- and long-range product development projects—another facet of the company's profile-raising plan. For Shaw-Walker, the immediate future holds the rewards of vastly increased visibility and a reputation as a manufacturer who is committed to good design. There are no complaints on either side. [Pilar Viladas]

### Data

Project: Shaw-Walker showroom, Chicago, Il.

Architect: Robert A.M. Stern Architects, New York. Roger H. Seifter, associate in charge; Paul Whalen, Ronne Fisher, Mark Mariscal, Traci Aronoff, assistants

Program: a 9000-sq-ft furniture showroom (including ancillary spaces), and 3000 sqft of office space, in a corner suite of the Merchandise Mart.

Mechanical systems: reroute forced-air ducting from adjacent building fan room.

Major materials: gypsum board on steel stud partitions; custom wood-frame and sandblastedglass doors; clear poplar and birch plywood trim (see Building materials, p. 304).

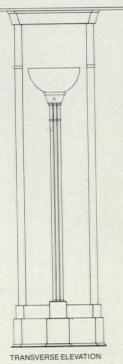
Consultants: Incorporated Lighting Consultants, Ltd., lighting (Carroll Cline, senior consultant; Diana Juul, project designer); Vignelli Associates, graphics.

General contractor: Paschen Contractors, Inc.

Costs: not available.

Photography: Peter Aaron, © ESTO.

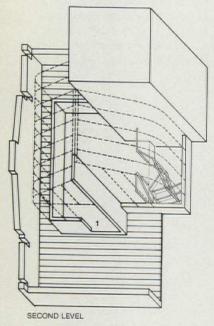
In the textile alcove (top), with its architect-designed table, fabric can be seen under four different kinds of artificial light. Displays of vintage Shaw-Walker furniture are an important "iconographic" device; the woodgrainfinished metal desk and wooden file cabinets are classic items, illustrating the company's history (left).



# There's no business like...

A showbiz client, fed up with double-loaded corridors and neutral palettes, asked for offices with lots of built-in variety. Architect Alan Buchsbaum complied.

The conference room (facing page, top) and, on another side of the floor, various private offices edged in files and glass block (facing page, bottom). Where the conference room, bathed in north light, is royal blue, the back corridor glistens in swimming pool hues—reflecting, even augmenting, light borrowed from the offices.



Legend

- 1 Greenhouse office
- 2 Executive producer
- 3 Office
- 4 Stage
- 5 Dressing room
- 6 Storage
- 7 Bathroom
- 8 Reception
- 9 Elevator lobby
- 10 Conference

"This place works and that's about as Bauhaus as it gets," declares Jerry Andreozzi, who wanted to leave typical agency design as far behind as working for others when he opened his own TV commercial production company. On the top floor of an old printing press building, the offices ricochet between hip domesticity and benign collision. Walls, even whole rooms, are askew. Colors leap out in unexpectedly high contrast or shiver playfully in just-miss juxtaposition. Moods and materials run a gamut from factory to precious, with real next to fake and camp next to heirloom.

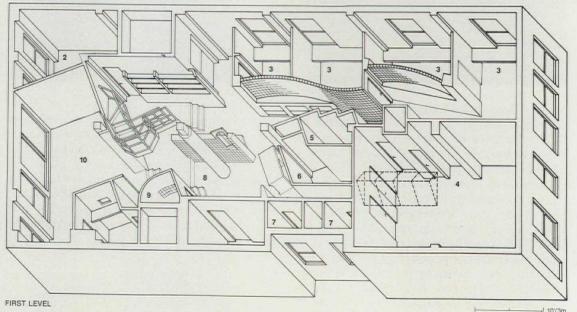
Off the elevator there is a quarter-turn entry with borrowed light through glass block. The only view is through the round window in the door, a spotlight on the company sign. Inside and down a few steps, an absurdist play is in progress. The reception desk and partition wall, having affected a cornice and window, are playing the roles of buildings around a courtyard. Moreover, the partition wall is dressed in the costume of a floor (quarry tile and slate, inexplicably mixed); a plaster column is dressed in faux marbre; and stadium seating in hot glossy pink. Rare materials butt against sleazy and dilapidated ones, yet underlying the turmoil is a quite proper men's club carpet.

Raised slightly and behind the partition wall are the entrances to the executives' offices. The top executive is on top, literally. A green industrial stair, twisted out of the way of accidental traffic, leads through what used to be a skylight into a greenhouse office on

the roof with its own—accessible—deck. The executive producer, who demanded absolute privacy, holes up in the corner. A separate province, it is set within wallpaper, a William Morris ivy in the palest blue/purple/beige/white rendered in exaggerated dot pattern—Morris as told to Roy Lichtenstein. Both executives took on their own furnishing—the greenhouse in Chinoiserie, the other with a home-made desk picking up the room's pop classical wall detailing.

On the public side of the partition, the conference room is lifted even further up to the windows, effecting an almost complete wall of light and view. The Empire State and Chrysler buildings, however, are backdrop. The room is the stage, in deep royal blue. Center stage are wooden desk chairs, finished in a shimmering matte lipstick color that the architect prosaically calls tomato soup red. They surround a nine-legged table, set low enough to maintain the primacy of the view and covered in a delicately coral-tinged onyx. The unevenly distributed and odd-numbered legs are at odds as well in color-a vibrant pink shaved sufficiently away from chair and table top shades to elude anticipation. The antique bombé sideboard, a prop supplied by Andreozzi, holds its own stage left.

Other parts of the office are equally disparate—the private offices screened in glass block and pastel blues and greens that seem to grab light like water; the eccentrically tiled bathrooms; the skylit studio. Though the plan revolves around all the basics—circulation, function, light, view—the finish-















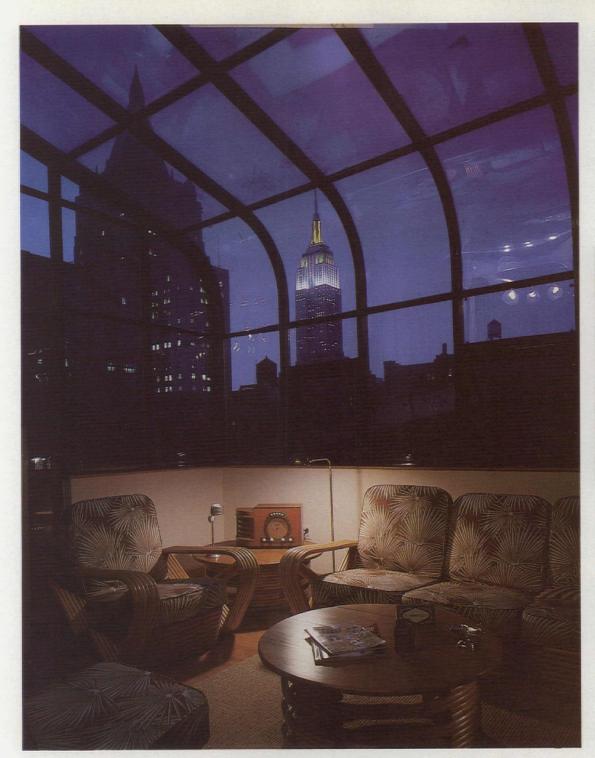
ings create a series of vignettes, of sets. There are a drawing room, a summer porch, an industrial stair begging for a chase scene, a swimming pool, a courtyard—but as the cameraman sees them, with all the edges showing. As in stage design, the backdrops (walls) are understood not as edges, but the essential devices for establishing mood and place. And as sets to be used over and over, the unexpected is both exaggerated and enumerated.

## They smile when they are low

Though the company was actually "going broke" when the office was being done (doing much better now, thank you), Andreozzi insisted on "angles and changes of perspective and lots of textures. You spend a lot of time in a place. It should be interesting every time you turn a corner."

His clients, he says, "without exception love it. No one has said it's ridiculous or too much or anything." This is not an office, clearly, that needs to project messages of prosperity and predictability. They do invent a new commercial every Monday morning, so shifting attention spans, humor, and range rather than focus may well be positive messages to their clients as well as being their own preferred environment.

Perhaps not everything about it is appealing—the more à la mode (or molding?) the less interesting—but a good deal is genuinely inventive. And it is inventive at a sensual as well as a conceptual level. [Nory Miller]



Andreozzi himself sits in the catbird seat, a greenhouse office on the roof surrounded by deck and magnificent view. The bamboo Moderne as well as 1930s radio are props contributed by him.



ian reveals. (The molding stops short of the corners, confessing there are no joints to cover.) The TV screen sign is an overt reference to the firm's business.

Facing page: The lobby is divided into private and public sides by an eroding earth-color slate and quarry tile partition (with displaced loft window), aided and abetted by a mortuary sign-in stand. Behind the partition, the vaguely mangled green stair leads to the greenhouse office. The stand, like the stadium seats and 1940s light fixtures in reception, is from the Andreozzi collection, though the latter two were repainted per architect's directions. The column is faux marbre, black and white; the sill genuine, in dark copper tones.

Data

**Project:** Gennaro Andreozzi offices, New York.

Architect: Alan Buchsbaum, New York; Thom O'Brien, David Becker, team members.

Program: 3500-sq-ft studio and offices for company that produces television commercials on 12th (top) floor of former printing plant.

Major materials: tile, glass block, paint, carpet (see Building materials, p. 304).

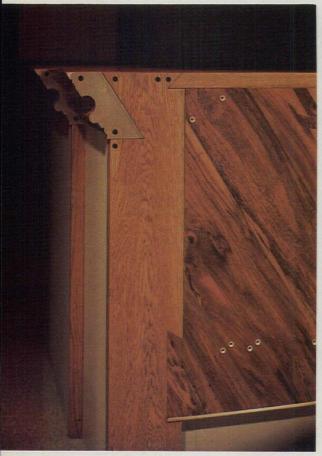
Consultants: Wolchuk and Mayrbaurl, greenhouse; Bonvini and Kondos, lighting.

General contractor: Greene-Street Construction.

Cost: withheld by owner.
Photography: Norman
McGrath.









Rich detailing of the desk and columns is heightened by recalled forms in both brass endplates and column moldings. Bright orange-red on the desk top and seating provides a contrast to soft color on the walls and columns under the large skylight.

# Up front

To give scale to an unwieldy area and wall configuration, cut surface forms are used.

Given a two-story space with a curved back wall, architect Kazuyuki Murata was asked to design a new reception area for Northwest Laboratories of Seattle, Inc., in a recently converted brick and heavy timber warehouse in Seattle. Having been heavily fire-damaged, the building was converted by architects Chelminiak and Haden to its present use as a testing laboratory.

Northwest Laboratories engages in a diverse range of services involving scientific

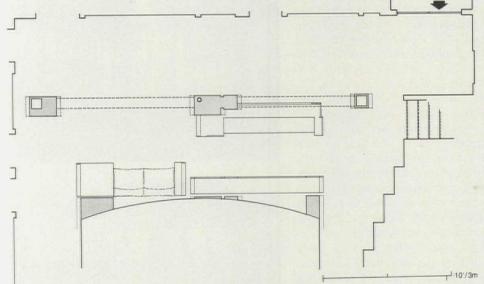
evaluation. These services include physical testing of materials and components, chemical evaluation, metallurgy, and failure analysis. In another area, the labs also do cargo surveying, to determine the quality of material being loaded or unloaded from ships, and forensics, to recreate circumstances surrounding accidents or other events or failures, in addition to testing stoves, window walls, and many other things.

Architect Murata felt that the curved 14-ft-high wall in the existing space was too dominating and out of scale. The space had two large wood columns and new steel pipe columns in front of the wall. Surrounding the space are private offices and a secretarial area, with testing facilities behind. The architect chose to use what he calls "cut surface" as one of the main elements of his design. All surfaces that normally face the visitor or employee are treated as if they were cut. As if they were sliced from a larger extrusion, the elements have two parallel surfaces and the perpendicular sides are molded at the top.

Wood-framed engaged columns have been added to project an image of the new furred freestanding ones; the latter columns form a defined area for both the waiting area and the receptionist, a layering that makes the space have a hierarchy and a scale that were formerly missing. The colors in the area are mostly muted and soothing, punctuated by the rich wood tones, brass trim, and red laminate of the furnishings. An 8' x 10' skylight over the area brings light to both the reception area and to the offices located on a balcony above.

But although the space is a successful attempt to recover scale from a larger space, the attention of a visitor goes immediately to the details. The care and craftsmanship that were so lovingly applied to the moldings and especially the reception desk steal the show. In no way can they be regarded as conventional or accidental; the custom-cast brass end plates and bar inlets, not to mention the milled white oak moldings, spark the overall design with considerable power.

[Jim Murphy]



### Data

**Project:** Northwest Laboratories of Seattle, Inc., reception area, Seattle. Wa.

Architect: Kazuyuki Murata Architects, Seattle, reception area; renovation architects, Chelminiak and Haden.

Client: Richard Schefsky of Northwest Laboratories.

Program: create new reception and waiting area, with storage. Major materials: wood-framed painted gypsum board; highpressure laminated plastic; white oak moldings; brass endplates and inlets; wool cushions.

Contractors: general and cabinets, Mike Cockbain, Sound Craftsman.

Costs: \$9000 including fees. Photography: Kevin Nauss.



# Dallas

Can two Romantic pavilions find true happiness with a classical parti and Secessionist ornament? Join us for another chapter of Michael Graves's "Sunar."

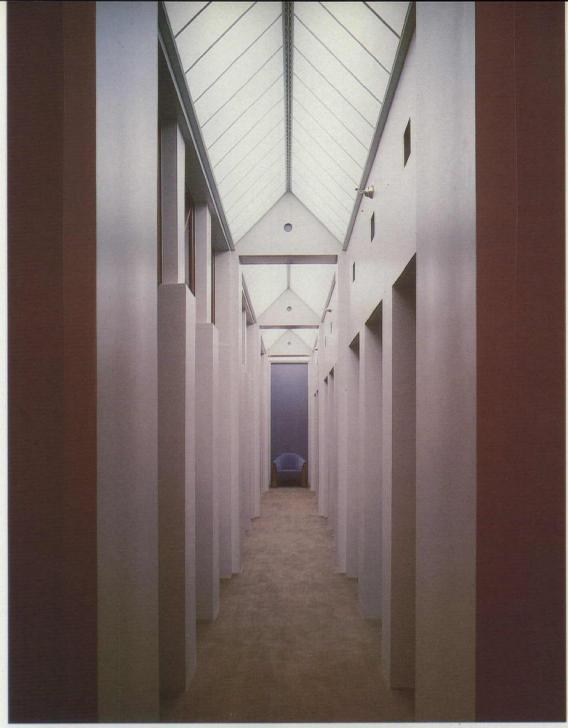
In our last chapter (P/A, Aug. 1981), we saw Michael Graves's grandly proportioned, elegantly hierarchical showroom design for Sunar in New York. Now we find Graves in Dallas, having completed one of the two most recent installments in this continuing story (the other is an expansion of Sunar's Chicago space). This one, in Dallas's World Trade Center, is relatively small (6400 sq ft compared to New York's 10,000), with low ceilings to boot. With a lot of wide-open spaces needed for office system display, Graves modified his preferred scheme of a procession of smaller rooms in favor of fewer, larger spaces. And instead of devoting one of these rooms to textile display, Graves inserted two freestanding elements into the systems display area: a textile pavilion and a kiosk for fabric swatches, the latter reinforcing the former's presence. They are "dislodged" from the plan (but not detached altogether, as in the Los Angeles showroom), and set on a diagonal, or rather, on two diagonals. For this "Romantic tendency" toward deviation from the orthogonal, Graves cites precedents ranging from Hadrian's villa at Tivoli to Cubism (minus the transparency). Furthermore, ornament has become increasingly threedimensional, with overt references to Josef Hoffmann enriching the familiar Gravesian vocabulary of classical forms. The Dallas space is something of a "bonus baby" for Sunar; company chairman Robert B. Cadwallader had not originally planned on a Dallas showroom, but it proved too economically attractive to refuse. In any event, Cadwallader

is especially pleased with the results. More pleased than with previous showrooms? "That," he replied, "would be like asking me which one of my kids I like best." If the Sunar executive ever writes an account of his now-legendary collaboration with the Princeton architect, perhaps he could call it "All My Children." [Pilar Viladas]





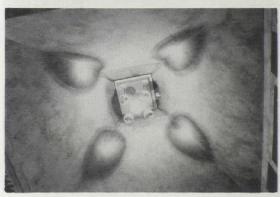




The showroom entrance (facing page, bottom) sports a rose-pink façade and blue pilasters, in what has become a classic device to distinguish Sunar showrooms from their glass-fronted trademart counterparts. The Roman grilles of the loggia dividing the systems display areas are painted a deep red (facing page, top right). In the reception area (facing page, bottom right), a vault, ornamented by blue borders and brass studs, is topped by an artificially lighted "clerestory" with tiny colonnettes.

An open loggia (this page, left) leads from the reception area and smaller systems-display room into the larger one, or back to the conference room and offices (see plan, overleaf); its square punched windows, Roman grilles (barely visible at left), and minute oculi are topped by a "skylight" vault, whose pianohinged frame is painted a delicate shade of pale green.

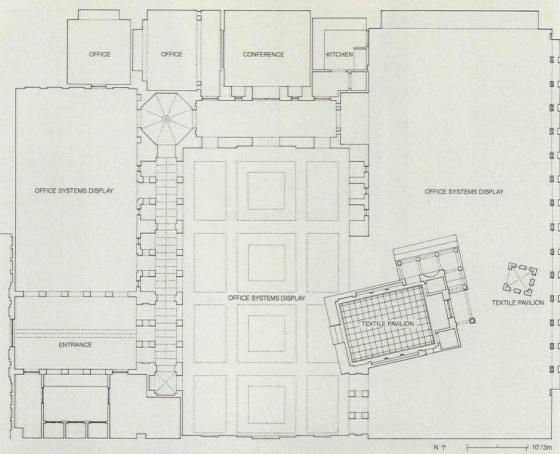
In the main furniture display space, a kiosk for fabric swatches (below) reinforces the presence of the larger textile pavilion (next pages), but its form echoes that of the loggia. Square columns and a pyramidal roof are hand-painted to add surface texture, and a Hoffmann-inspired light fixture illuminates its interior (lower left). Behind the kiosk, paired pilasters frame fabric display bays.



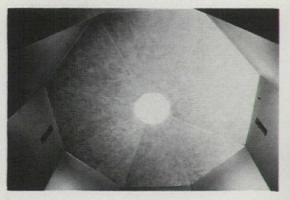


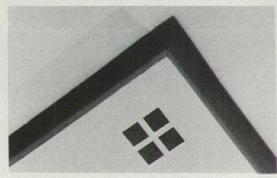
At the far end of the loggia, an octagonal vaulted room with a small oculus is painted a mottled dusty rose (center). In the corridor perpendicular to the loggia (see plan), French doors open to a conference room (lower right).

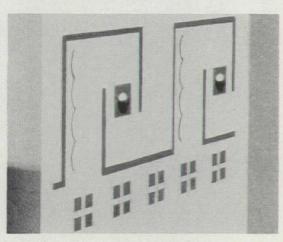
Graves managed to "raise" the showroom ceiling by lowering it. One-half-inch-thick panels, articulated by borders and foursquare stencils at each corner (center, second from top), "activate" the ceiling to make it appear higher. The stencil is repeated on walls (bottom center); Hoffmanesque black-lacquered wooden balls adorn the corners of a doorway (below). The plan illustrates how the two fabric pavilions are "dislodged" from the grid in a Romantic "deviation from the orthogonal."

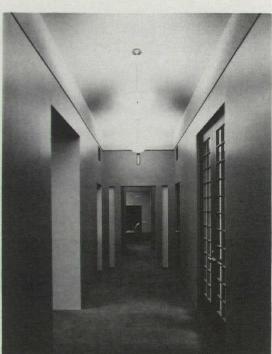










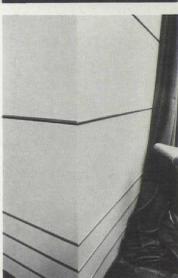






In striking contrast to the carefully regulated procession of columns and bays, the textile pavilion and fabric swatch kiosk appear almost as accidental occurrences (this page, top). The pavilion, with its stepped base and red-columned porch, is banded with red stringcourses and adorned with fabric swags; its main entrance is draped in fabric, following a 19th-Century English tradition (far left, center and bottom). Inside the pavilion (left), French-blue cupboard doors flank an alcove with a square window and a settee designed by Graves for Sunar. The influence of Josef Hoffmann is again seen in the ceiling light fixtures and in the geometric pattern of the black and white vinyl tile floor (detail, below).







Data

Project: Sunar showroom, Dallas, Tx.

Architect: Michael Graves, Architect, Princeton, NJ; Theodore L. Brown, job captain.

Program: renovation of 6400sq-ft space in the Dallas World Trade Center for a furniture and textile showroom.

Major materials: gypsum board; paint; carpet (see Building materials, p. 304).

Consultants: Thomas A. Polise, mechanical/electrical.

General contractor: Wegner Commercial Corp.

Cost: withheld.

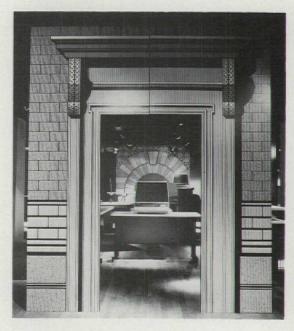
Photography: Chas McGrath.



# Delineation of spaces

To define display spaces in a Merchandise Mart showroom, McCoy & McCoy Associates have used temporary backdrops depicting architecture.

Suspended panels with motifs of doorways, arches, and colonnades are based on 19th-Century encyclopedia illustrations. Entrance axis (facing page, top) terminates with a temple front; oversized columns flanking entrance emphasize layout, but have neutral surfaces. From corridor (facing page, bottom) bowfronted platforms and suspended lighting add to the stage imagery.



Ornamental columns and keystones have appeared with increasing frequency in the contract furniture areas of Chicago's Merchandise Mart ever since the opening of the Sunar showroom by Michael Graves (P/A, Sept. 1979, pp. 148–153). Litton Business Furniture has now captured the prize for sheer amount of historical detail, though all of it is in two dimensions and instantly replaceable.

The Litton space was designed by McCoy & McCoy Associates, a firm headed by two industrial designers who are cochairmen of the Design Department at Cranbrook Academy. They were asked to treat the 10,000-sq-ft area so that it could be used flexibly to display three different and complementary lines of furniture: Cole, Lehigh-Leopold, and the newly established Litton Business Furniture—all of them under the Litton corporate umbrella. The three-part division of space was not to be fixed or visually pronounced, and prominent locations were to be provided for new product introductions, which might be as large as open office systems.

The designers responded by treating the showroom as a stage, with movable, changeable panels as scenic backdrops. Two raised platforms for displaying new items, on either side of the central entrance, have wood floors and curved fronts that suggest stage aprons. A grid over the entire space is strong enough for suspending panels, as well as lighting and video monitors, at virtually any location.

For the first installation of temporary panels, line drawings of historical architecture make a subtly ironic statement. Based on engravings from a 19th-Century encyclopedia, the drawings have been retouched and in some cases reproportioned to fit the panel modules. All represent arcades, colonnades, or entrances, and some have been cut through to open up views or actual passages. By starting with generalized depictions and manipulating them further, the designers have obtained light-hearted, cartoonlike images of architecture. For future installations, they have in mind suspending works of invited artists or perhaps fragments of actual architecture.

Surrounding these scenic backdrops and the products on display are unassertive surfaces. The dark blue suspension grid masks the black-painted elements above; carpet is gray; gray walls and butted glass front are given an understated continuity with modular horizontal lines—blue stripes on the walls and etched ones on the glass. Oak flooring on the platforms not only emphasizes them, but extends the quality of wood surface, which would otherwise be confined to the Lehigh-Leopold furniture area, across the entire showroom.

The design relates particularly well to the subdued lighting and dark grid ceiling of the new eighth-floor Mart corridors. Other showrooms have been conceived as volumes separated from the corridor mainly by intensity of light, but the effect is achieved best here through the apparent continuity of the ceiling grid and of the carpeted floor—a continuity emphasized by shifts in floor level and material within the showroom. The sharp black-and-white drawings, readable all the way to the back of the showroom—reinforce the sensation of being in the showroom before actually entering.

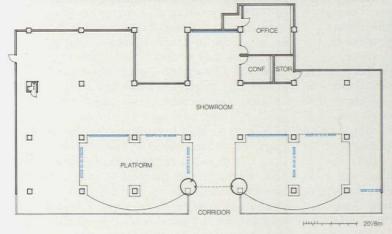
As the McCoys point out, their approach is essentially that of industrial designers, more experienced with exhibitions than interiors. By creating a showroom that complements its products with elements of strong but non-competitive imagery, set within a neutral envelope, they have offered a lesson to architects and interior designers.

[John Morris Dixon]

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### Data

**Project:** Litton Business Furniture Showroom, Chicago.

Designers: McCoy & McCoy Associates, Bloomfield Hills, Mi (Michael McCoy, Katherine McCoy, partners). Construction supervision: Mark Appell, Litton Industries.

Client: Litton Business Furniture (Gary Beals, vice president, marketing).

Program: 10,000-sq-ft showroom in Merchandise Mart for Litton Business Furniture, Cole, and Lehigh-Leopold lines.

Major materials: overhead steel grid for track lighting and display elements; photomurals; oak flooring and carpet (see Building materials, p. 304).

Consultants: Donovan & Green, corporate identity.
Contractors: Paschen, Inc.
Costs: \$250,000, excluding

Photography: Bo Parker.





# Sidewalk sales

A clothing showroom by SITE becomes urban theater through an assemblage of elements from the city streetscape.



When architecture meets fashion, the result is more often a war of the worlds than a meeting of minds. And when the battleground is a clothing manufacturer's showroom, the architect or designer, finding himself both adversary and mediator, often decides to play it safe, and for good reason. Given that the interior design must never upstage the clothes, and given that it's a rare client who won't opt for understatement or quiet good taste, the outcome is a predictably uneasy truce.

But the firm of SITE has never been one to play it safe, and neither have their clients—in this case, clothing designer Willi Smith and his partner, Laurie Mallet. At Williwear, their New York-based design and manufacturing firm whose members are predominantly young, black or Indian, and urban, understatement and quiet good taste are not good enough. To show off his designs—European couture interpreted for a young American market—Smith wanted them displayed in the context for which they are meant—urban street life.

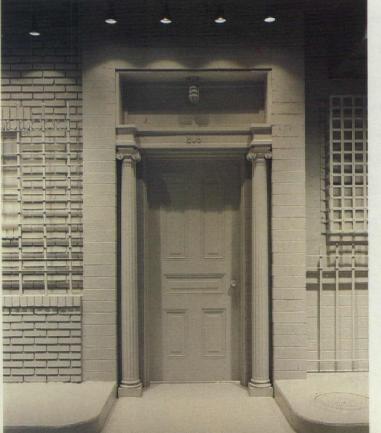
Armed with this mandate, SITE went happily to work. "We always wanted to do a collage of city street elements," explains partner James Wines, and that is exactly what Williwear is. Step off the elevator into the 2000-sq-ft showroom, and you're back on the block you swore you'd just left: brick and masonry façades; gratings; scissor gates; and chain link and wrought-iron fences form an indoor streetscape. It is, however, more than a passively appropriate backdrop for the clothes; it's active street theater, with the fences used as hanging racks and the sidewalks used as runways for the modelsan apt metaphor, considering the endless stream of fashion that parades the pavements of New York.

But Sesame Street it is not. Replication can veer dangerously toward kitsch, but no sentiment lurks here. SITE's weapon against the picturesque was paint—a pale, warm gray with which they covered the entire scene. The homogenizing effect of this device destroys the anecdotal quality of objects and surfaces (in addition to providing a neutral background for the clothing). After removing the street one step from reality by bringing it indoors, shrouding it in a coat of gray paint takes it another step further; it becomes not so much architecture as image. The effect is similar to that of black-and-white photography: the viewer, no longer diverted by the colors of subjects, is forced to confront the subjects themselves. Thus, the ordinary is rendered extraordinary.

It is interesting to compare SITE's original drawing of the project to the finished product. The drawing implies that the showroom was meant to be painted a much darker, sootier color, more authentically urbangrungy. It was, but the designers soon found that the darker gray overpowered the clothing. After innumerable color tests, a lighter shade was chosen. It was a trade-off, but a fortuitous one; the net effect is more chilly and dreamlike than it might have been otherwise, and the lighter color brings out more clearly the relief elements in the composition.

Original plans also called for a greater number of freestanding objects—street signs, traffic lights, fire hydrants, and so on—but what had looked so enticing *in situ* suddenly appeared grossly out of scale when brought indoors. Ultimately, it was the "relief" elements—those that were part of fences or

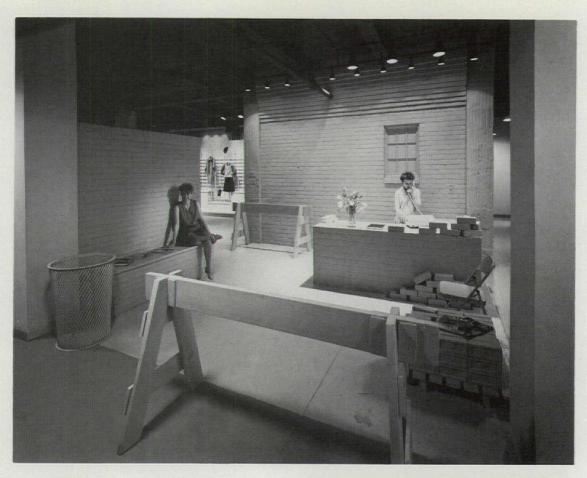


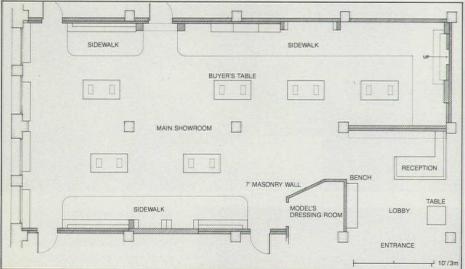


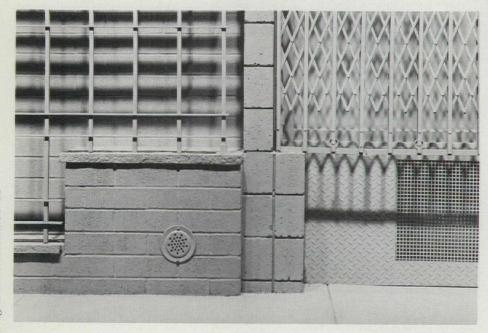
In the showroom (above), buyers sit at tables made of concrete block and glass and watch the fashion parade pass by, while models use the sidewalks as runways. Against the streetscape that is painted a single warm shade of light gray, items of clothing hang easily on wrought iron and chain link fences, their rich colors and soft textures contrasting sharply but appropriately with the monochromatic hardness of the façades behind.

The ultimate effect of the monochromatic color scheme is to strip the architectural elements of their anecdotal qualities, thereby rendering them surreal, as in a Renaissance stage set. Not all is illusion, however; the Neo-Classical door (left) opens to offices beyond.

Visitors step off the elevator (this page, right) into a disconcerting scene of urban "desolation"; the reception desk and table's "falling" bricks are, by now, a SITE trademark, and the only bit of "de-construction" in the room. To the left of the arched doorway (below, right), a seven-foot-high wall conceals the models' dressing room. After experimenting with a variety of freestanding objects, the designers concluded that the most effective urban texture was contributed by the "relief" elements—those that are part of façades or fences, such as drains and gratings (bottom left), as well as by the modules of the various forms of brick and masonry block of the walls (facing page,









walls—that added the most effective texture, and as Wines adds, "The remaining objects seem much more intense."

The showroom also embodies another longstanding interest of SITE's, that of Renaissance stage-set design, in which a single, surreal edifice served as a backdrop for a variety of performances and events. Wines therefore notes with some satisfaction that the showroom is now a hot property as a location for photography sessions of all kinds.

If the showroom's look is high style, its budget was bargain basement. As the existing masonry was quite rough in many spots, the



designers decided to "build off it" rather than over it, thereby making the unfinished look seem intentional. "Where a roughness occurs in the design, it is in the same register as what was already there," says Wines. The resulting saving in initial clean-up and construction costs (along with the "found object" materials and light fixtures built from stock components) helped bring the project in at a

flyweight \$28 per sq ft.

The ambiguity as to what was there and what was added is characteristic of SITE's penchant for indeterminacy and disorder, to name but two of the uncomfortable qualities they prize. While in this case the firm reconstructs rather than deconstructs, as is usually its wont, "de-architecture" remains the result. By taking recognizable elements and whitewashing (or graywashing) them out of what we assume is reality, the design speaks to "our preconceptions about buildings." SITE, taking architecture as its raw material, ultimately produces a three-dimensional billboard that flags down the subconscious.

But it isn't pretty. "'Design control' and 'good taste' aren't part of our vocabulary," remarks Wines sardonically. Neither, however, is bad taste, trivia, or Disneyland. The Williwear showroom betrays a keen eye and a knowing sense of humor. Thus, when fashion (as pop culture) meets architecture (filtered through SITE's essentially artistic sensibility), the resulting repartee is both snappy and street-wise. [Pilar Viladas]



Project: Williwear showroom, New York.

Designer: SITE Projects, Inc., New York.

Client: Williwear; Laurie Mallet, president; Willi Smith, vice president.

Program: a 2000-sq-ft clothing showroom (with 8000 sq ft of office and production space), in an existing industrial building.

Major materials: brick; masonry block; wrought iron and chain link fencing; scissor gates (see Builing materials, p. 304). Concrete and masonry contractor: R. Kenneth Cosentino

Cost: \$28 per sq ft.

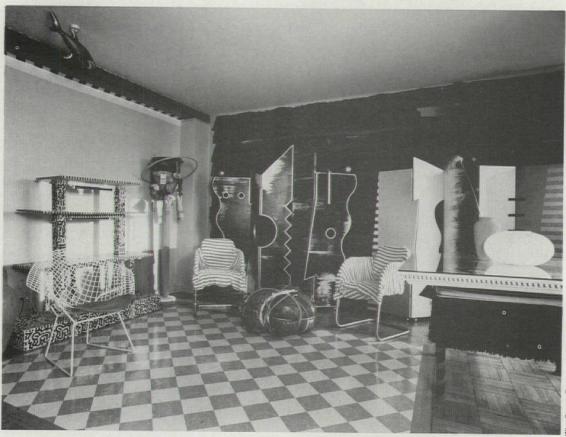
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Construction.

# Sketch pad

Graphic designer Dan Friedman uses his apartment as a continual visual testing ground, changing it bit by bit every few days.



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In a standard 1950s apartment, inside a building of gray brick and ribbon windows with one of those flamboyant metal canopies off a circular drive, lives Dan Friedmangraphic designer and former design director of Pentagram. The apartment is a kind of grown child's playroom strewn with halffinished projects, toys left out, and crumpled paper. Friedman calls it his sketchbook. It also serves as a bridge to a new career. From a graphic design background that includes studying in Switzerland, teaching at Yale, and work from Citibank's logo to art magazine covers, Friedman is slowly easing into furniture and interior design. He has several commissions for screens and soon begins the offices for Williwear (whose showroom appears on pp. 230-233).

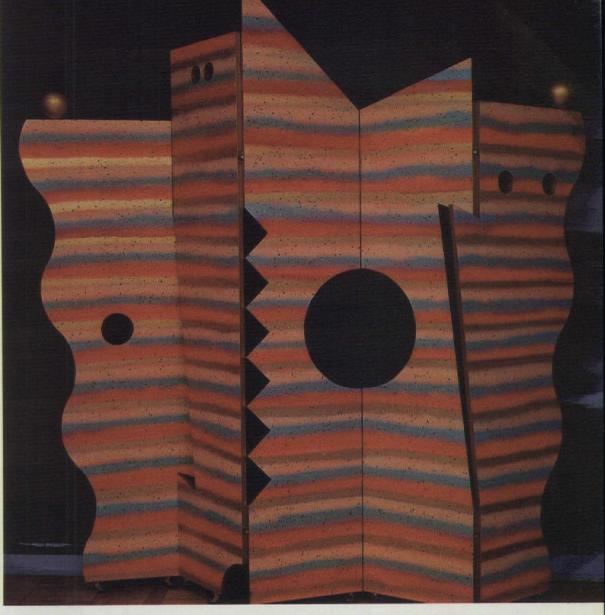
The spatial possibilities of design don't seem to have surfaced here, but surfaces of all kinds—and objects—are forced into and foisted upon the unsuspecting 8-ft high, parquet-floored one-bedroom apartment. There are Cesca chairs clothed in loose-fitting striped flannel "garments," a "post-Waikiki" table with grass skirt (in blue), and silhouetted Ukrainian posters from a street fair against

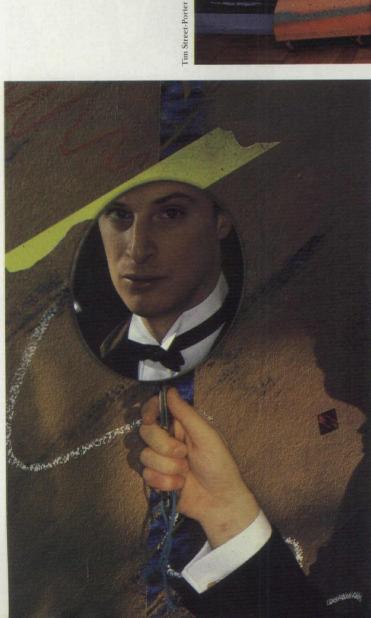
red corrugated cardboard. The cartooned bookcase and funeral urn are by fellow artist Keith Haring. Various garish linoleum rugs are taped over parts of the parquet.

The current metamorphosis seems to be heading away from a kind of action painting/new wave abstraction (with beautiful, almost brocadelike treatment of the walls in some places, and playful "electric" treatment of them elsewhere) to what Friedman calls "objects with personality." The now pajamaed chairs were previously taped and streaked. Splatters are giving way to leopard spots and railroad crossing stripes. There are toy blow-up sharks (just when you thought it was safe to go back into the living room), a 4-ft toy destroyer (put up during the Falklands war), hula hoops, and posters of puppies. The most recently designed screen (in the back room workshop) is covered with tiny

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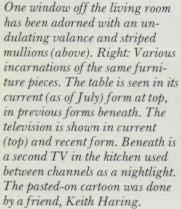
Among Friedman's current interests is designing screens, which he makes on commission as well as for himself. The screen shown in close-up (right) is reversible; its other face can be seen in photo below far right. Below left: Friedman himself against a "retired" living room wall. It has since been repainted in large even blocks of pastel. Opposite: The living room as it was in July.

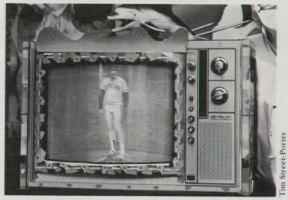








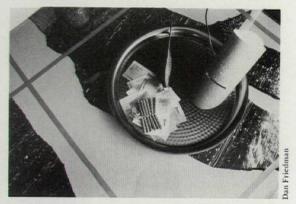












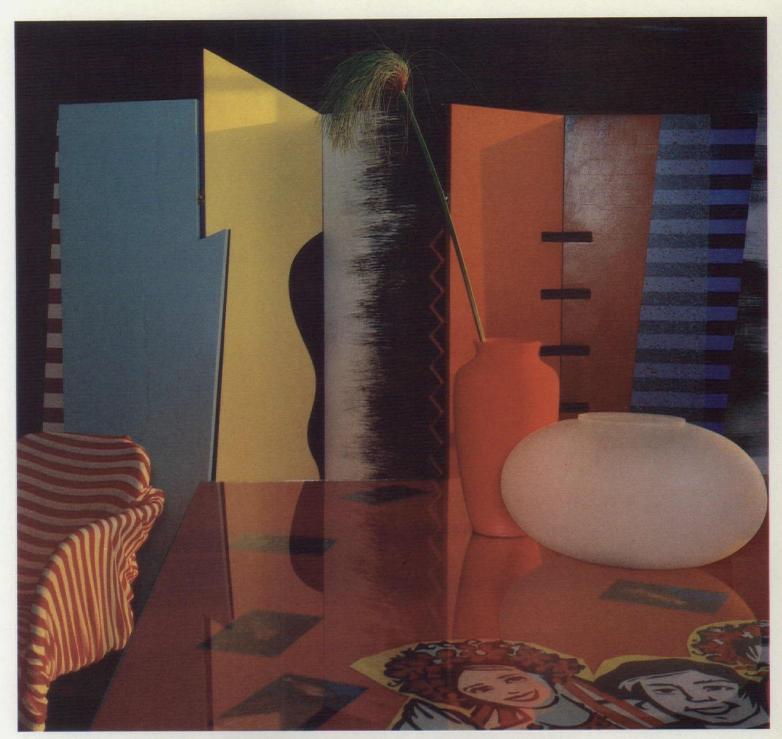




American flags. The streets, Friedman insists, are still his source, but these streets tend rather toward the maudlin and ersatz.

He is interested, he tells us, in seeing how far he can push objects, in thinking about environments that are foreign to our own. And though he says he means by this environments under water, perhaps instinctively he knows just exactly what he's doing. For as relatively easy as it is to see beauty in the starkest indigence, the taste culture of "the masses" remains unnerving. [Nory Miller]





Above: The major table in the living/dining room with its silhouetted cartoon under glass. Behind is another of Friedman's screens, this one identical on the back. Right: Through the doorway is the kitchen, its walls and appliances fully involved in the project. To the right is a desk.



Data

**Project:** Friedman apartment, New York.

Designer: Dan Friedman, New York

York.

Program: a continual experi-

ment in imagery and visual effect.

Major materials: used furni-

Major materials: used furniture, dime-store toys, cheap raw materials.

# Over the top

An addition to a loft in SoHo gives the owner space in which to pursue artistic endeavors.

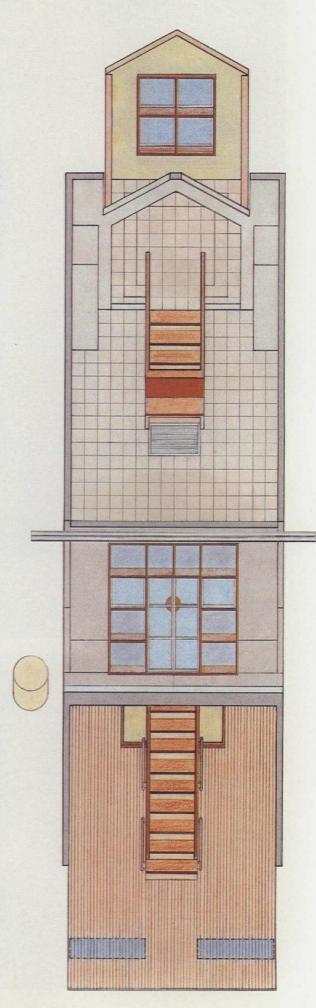


Lofts in SoHo, New York City, are anything but a rarity, and many of them are quite interesting. But they are usually subjects of interior reorganization, and are not often added onto as this one has been. The owner, a painter and classical guitar player, wanted a more private "sanctuary" in which to pursue these interests. Having acquired the rights to the roof above the top floor loft, the owner asked Anderson-Wheelwright Associates to create such a retreat for his music and art.

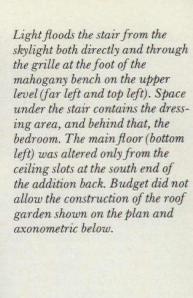
Also requested were a new bedroom and a dressing area within the existing loft. The major new element within the loft space is the generous stair, which begins about two-thirds of the way back in the apartment and bisects the space from side to side. In the space formed behind the stair, the dressing area and bedroom share the north end of the loft, creating a separate zone on the existing sixth floor. Trimmed in white oak, the sliding doors to these areas are largely of plexiglass, letting through a soft light and creating a somewhat oriental effect.

Mahogany, oak, and anodized aluminum become the palette of materials, first on the stair, then continuing up to the addition above. Railings of mahogany are complemented by aluminum supports and oak treads, and the mahogany/aluminum combination continues on the upper level, in the window treatment and on the main rail around the stair opening. A built-in seat of mahogany joins the rail at the south end of the stair opening, facing an aluminum floor grating, which allows more light to penetrate to the floor below. For additional light downstairs, two slots are located at the south end of the upper-level floor; these are enclosed by low gypsum-board walls, which serve to bounce light down and to conceal artificial light sources for night use.

At the top of the stair is the "apse," a space where the owner chooses to practice his guitar. An articulated gable roof form over this element is framed by triangular glass panels above it, so that it seems to float free of the rectangular wall from which it protrudes. Combined with the four-window panel in the north wall of the "apse," these glass areas permit interesting views of the urban setting beyond. A skylight directly over the stair also













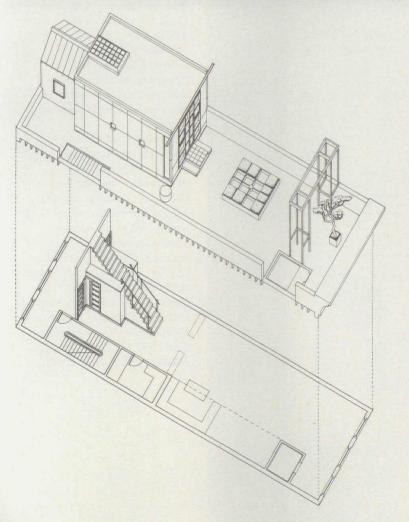
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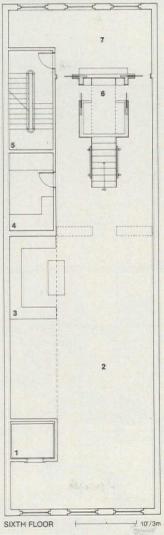
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- 4 Bathroom Fire stair

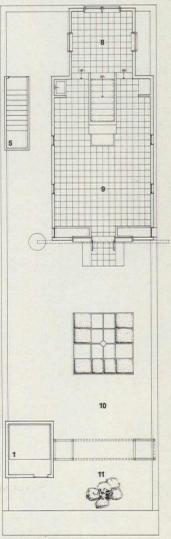
New 6 Dressing closet

8 Sitting room
9 Studio/sanctuary
10 Roof garden 11 Baobab tree

7 Bedroom







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assists in getting light down to the lower floor, while pouring light into the penthouse as well. Small windows along the sides of the upper level are sometimes covered by the owner's paintings to control light quantity and quality.

On the main floor level of the upper floor, one step up from the "apse," Mexican tile provides an easily cleaned surface on which to stand easels. In addition, the tile is in keeping with the mahogany rails and window trim. The roof is accessible through doors at the south end of the penthouse, but the budget did not allow for a planned porch and roof garden. The exterior of the addition is a simple box with cement asbestos board walls, and stucco on the "apse." [Jim Murphy]





Together with the skylight overhead, triangular panels of glass seem to cut the "apse" (above) free of the surrounding volume. Access to the roof is from the south end of the studio, where light bounces down below through slots below the railings.

### Data

**Project:** Coffey residence, New York, NY.

Architect: Anderson-Wheelwright Associates, New York; Peter M. Wheelwright, design architect; Jeremy Hawker, job captain.

Client: Thomas C. Coffey.

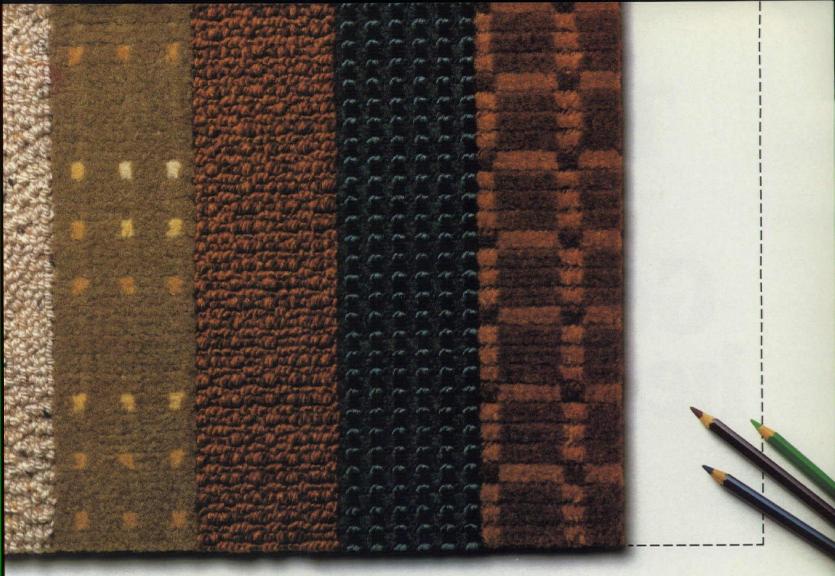
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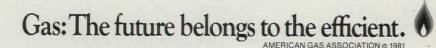
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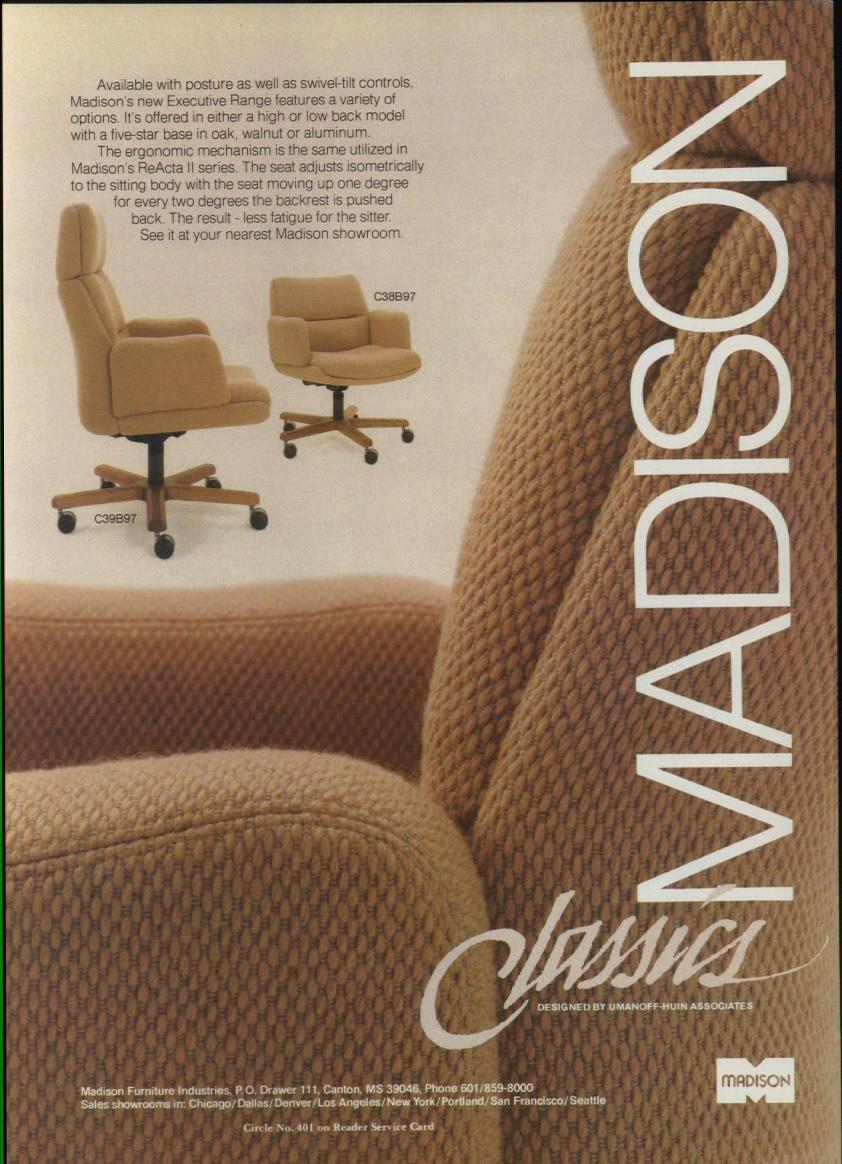
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# Seeing the light

### Harvey Bryan

Effective daylighting can greatly reduce the cost of lighting and cooling spaces in commercial buildings. This article describes ways of studying and measuring daylighting through the use of scale models.

Photographic documentation of student model of Jørn Utzon's church in Bagsvaerd, Denmark.



Bill Bart

Daylighting is now considered one of the most promising energy-conservation strategies for nonresidential building design. Although substantial savings in both electrical energy and peak-power demand are possible, potential savings may not be achieved unless simple daylighting design tools can be developed and agreed upon. Most daylighting experts, in agreement about the need for simplicity, are concerned that tedious calculation procedures or overreliance on highpriced consultants will doom their field. Thus, even in the present research environment, with little private sector research funding and public sector policy that has shifted to supporting only long-term basic research, daylighting researchers continue to find time for the development of design tools.

Historically, three types of design tools have been used to predict interior day-light illumination: computational methods, graphic techniques, and physical scale models. Early work in the area of daylighting design tool development by Britain's Building Research Station, and more recently by the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory's Windows and Daylighting Program, has done much to standardize the two former categories. Although this work has been extremely useful, it must be remembered that these two areas are, at best, highly idealized representations

or simplifications of reality. Designers must use the results with some caution. Physical scale models, on the other hand, rely on the physics of light, which suggest that a daylighting model that exactly duplicates a full-scale space, if tested under the same sky, will yield identical results. Although it is not always possible to exactly duplicate a full-scale space, the advantages of using physical scale models significantly outweigh the disadvantages.

Some of these advantages are:

1 Physical scale models, even very crude ones, can provide accurate quantitative information especially when single-element design comparisons are to be made.

2 Physical scale model building is a common practice among many design offices and, with slight modifications, can result in a sensitive design tool for daylighting analysis while continuing to be an effective device for gathering spatial and volumetric information.

3 Physical scale models offer an opportunity for qualitative evaluation (identification of potential glare problems) through either visual observation or photography.

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### Daylighting design tools



I.M. Pei with the model of the East Wing of the National Gallery. Designers have traditionally built models, but few look at the daylighting issues.



Models for quantitative studies do not require a considerable amount of detailing.



Models for qualitative studies generally require more detailing.



Modeling tends to suggest a "modular-type" of construction, which allows for easy manipulation of single-element design comparisons.

### Modeling techniques

Physical scale models can be constructed quite easily from a variety of materials such as plywood, cardboard, or formboard; however. care should be taken to insure that these materials as well as all joints are opaque. The amount of detail to be included in the model depends upon the use to which the model is put. Models for quantitative studies do not require a considerable amount of detailing, whereas models for qualitative studies do. Both modeling uses, however, are particularly sensitive to the reflectivity of internal surfaces. For quantitative studies, surfaces may be finished with gray paper or paint that approximates the appropriate surface reflectances, whereas qualitative studies require the use of colored paper or paint that duplicates the surface color. Room surfaces that have a shiny character should be modeled as closely as possible, especially if qualitative studies are proposed. Care must be taken to detail accurately all light openings and to maintain the geometric relationships between the model and the overall size of the proposed window openings. Window glass can be either omitted from the model, and a simple linear correction made later (multiplication of all interior measurements by the transmission of the glass), or duplicated by the use of the proposed glazing material or an acrylic plastic sheet with the same transmission as the proposed glass. The amount of detail will depend upon the design stage of the project, the building type to be modeled, the desired level of information, and the skill of the modelmaker.

Physical scale modeling usually requires a high degree of flexibility, which suggests using a "modular-type" of construction in which the model becomes a support structure into which various window, wall, and ceiling configurations can be inserted for testing. This flexibility allows for easy manipulation of single-element design comparisons.

In theory, the scale at which a model is to be built is of no significance. There are a number of practical considerations, however, that will suggest an appropriate scale. In quantitative studies, the relative size of the photo-sensor probe, which is required for photometric measurement, may cause a disturbance when inserted into a small scale model. In addition, illumination measurements are usually taken at desk height (30 in. above the floor), which makes the photosensor probe's height critical in scale determination. Experience has shown that in general a scale of 1 in. to 1 ft should be used for small interiors with ceiling heights of less than 10 ft, and a scale of ½ in. to 1 ft for larger interior spaces. For qualitative studies, an approximate doubling of these scales is needed in order to provide a realistic field of view for visual observation and a proper depth of field for photographic documentation. Other factors such as ease of construction and transport should not be overlooked when one is considering scale.

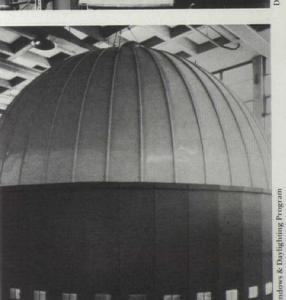
### Testing

Physical scale model testing may be conducted under an actual sky or in a sky simulator. Testing under an actual sky is the cheapest and easiest to perform. However, this method offers the greatest chance for errors, which are caused most often by not accounting for the changing character of the sky during testing periods that extend over several days. For example, given what appear to be two "identical" days, it is highly unlikely that one could get sky measurement agreement closer than 10-15 percent. To overcome such a problem, daylighting researchers prefer to reproduce the sky in a controlled simulator, which duplicates a fixed sky condition (usually uniform or overcast) so that design alternatives can be identically compared. Depending upon the testing that is to be performed and one's available resources, a variety of sky simulators can be constructed.

Sky simulators that have been built tend to be of two basic types: the rectilinear and the hemispherical sky. The rectilinear sky, the simpler and cheaper of the two, takes the form of a large rectilinear box, inside of which there is a luminous ceiling plane with vertical mirrors on four sides. The multiple reflections in the parallel mirrors reproduce the image of the luminous ceiling to infinity, which results in a luminance distribution similar to an overcast sky. Unlike the rectilinear sky, the hemispherical sky is analogous to the manner in which daylight is received naturally from the sky vault. The hemispherical sky takes the form of a dome with a white interior reflecting surface illuminated by banks of lamps around the base. The luminance distribution within the dome can be changed by the adjustment or addition of lamps, or by the gradation of the reflectance within the dome. The use of sky simulators has proven extremely advantageous in daylighting design. Unfortunately, there are only about a half dozen sky simulators now in use in the U.S., making access to such a facility quite difficult for the average design office.

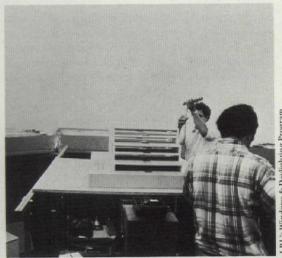
Thus, testing under an actual sky may be the only option available for most designers. To overcome the errors caused by the changing character of the sky, daylighting measurement should be taken in relative (a ratio of interior to exterior illumination) rather than in absolute (interior illumination only) terms. Such an approach tends to correct varying sky conditions and has been used in the daylighting field for some time. The "daylight factor" (ratio of interior illumination to horizontal sky illumination) and "window factor" (ratio of interior illumination to vertical illumination striking the outside of the window) are two relative measures that should always be used in outdoor testing. The daylight factor is more appropriate for testing under overcast sky conditions, while the window factor is more appropriate for testing under clear sky conditions, especially if direct sunlight is present.







MIT's Rectilinear Sky Simulator; inside there is a luminous ceiling surrounded by vertical mirrors that simulate the overcast sky (far left). Model being tested in the simulator



LBL's Hemispherical Sky Simulator, a 24-ft-diameter dome; inside there is a white reflecting surface illuminated by banks of lamps around the base (far left). This facility utilizes sophisticated computer controls that adjust the lights to simulate overcast and clear skies with or without the sun. Model being tested in the simulator (left).

A Pleijel Sundial Box, which is very helpful in positioning models for outdoor testing.



Megatron Architectural Photometer, one of the more sophisticated measurement devices now being made (must be ordered from Britain), was specifically designed for daylighting analysis.

It is frequently necessary, when testing under clear sky conditions, to test the performance of various daylighting considerations at several times throughout the year without having to wait for these times to arrive. A sundial box and a model stand that can be pivoted both horizontally and vertically are very useful for this purpose. However, care must be taken when tilting the model to the appropriate solar altitude, for the interior of the model may see a greater portion of the ground plane. This problem becomes critical when one is attempting to model a midday summer solar position on a winter day. The opposite situation (modeling a winter solar position on a summer day) poses no such problem because the low morning and evening solar altitudes simulate winter conditions quite well. When testing models outdoors, care should be taken to avoid local obstructions such as trees and buildings, which can substantially alter test results. Any obstructions that need to be modeled need only be accurate as far as scale and reflectivity are concerned. The ideal situation is to take the model to the actual site for testing.

#### Measurement

The most important as well as the most expensive aspect of physical scale modeling is the need for an accurate measuring device.

Such devices are called photometers (light meters), which are similar to a photocell. However, unlike a photocell, the photometer is usually color corrected (having a "viscor filter"), which makes it sensitive only to the visible portions of the solar spectrum. The photometer should also be cosine corrected, so that the photo-sensor response is in accordance with the cosine law of illumination.

For daylighting measurement, the photometer should range from 1 to 10,000 footcandles. When a photometer does not have such a range, it is often possible to extend its range by covering the photo-sensor with a filter or perforated cap that allows a certain percent of incident light to penetrate. The inverse of this percentage becomes the factor by which the photometer reading is multiplied to attain the proper illumination (e.g., a 10 percent transmitting filter means that the photometer scale is multiplied by 10). Photometers that have the photo-sensor and display in the same case are not well suited for model measurement since they tend to cause the observer to block incident light when reading them. This problem makes photometers with photo-sensors that are remote (on a wire) from the display more desirable. Photometers that have the ability to "grow" (add photo-sensors) greatly facilitate measurement-taking, since numerous reference points as well as relative measurements can be simultaneously recorded. Such devices can cost from \$200 to \$1500 depending on the options and accuracy required.

Positioning the photo-sensors within the model can be aided by the use of a reference grid, which assumes proper location for com-

### Daylighting design tools



A photo-sensor attached to one end of a stick is a simple way of getting several reference points within a model measured.

Visual analysis of identical room on two different days can suggest important qualitative information. In the clear sky situation (right, top), the direct sunlight in the room creates a large brightness ratio within the room, which can create visual discomfort. In the overcast sky situation (right, bottom), the bright sky is creating window glare. Notice the display panel with movable pins in the back of the room.

parative measurement. A 3 by 3 reference grid (9 reference points) seems to be the most convenient as far as standard room geometries are concerned. Even when several photo-sensors are unavailable, reference grid measurement should still be attempted. This can be accomplished by cutting a number of small access holes that correspond to one side of the proposed grid in one of the wall panels. A photo-sensor is then attached to one end of a stick, which can be moved back and forth to each reference point along these holes. Marks along the stick can be used to line up each reference point. Care should be taken to guard against unwanted light penetrating the access holes.

#### Visual analysis

There are many aspects of daylighting that do not lend themselves to quantitative measurement. Such issues as glare, contrast, and visual comfort can be studied only by direct visual observation, which may or may not be accompanied by quantitative analysis. Qualitative analysis generally requires greater realism (i.e., furniture, carpeting, texture and reflectivity of surfaces) than does quantitative analysis. Often scale furniture and dollhouse assessories can be easily incorporated for added realism. In addition, qualitative models require viewports at eye level corresponding to the predominant views within the space. From a qualitative standpoint (elimination of direct window glare) the predominant views within a space usually should be perpendicular to the window wall. Care should also be taken to guard against unwanted light penetrating the viewports.

Often, visual analysis needs to be documented for later reference, and photography is the easiest means of doing this. Photographic documentation is similar to direct visual observation. Where differences occur, they are due to photographic limitations, for the human eye is much more sensitive than even the most sensitive film. Thus, even under the best circumstances, photography tends to distort the actual luminous conditions as seen by the eye. This problem can be overcome by bracketing each photographic shot (shooting at the proper exposure as well as one or two exposures above and below) and then selecting the photograph that most nearly corresponds to the qualities found via direct visual observation. Such an approach requires considerable documentation. This can be provided by a small display panel (which documents sky condition, relative window azimuth, solar altitude, and exterior illumination via movable pins) that can be photographed within the model.

A single-lens reflex (SLR) camera with a through-the-lens viewfinder is the most appropriate for photographic study. Wide angle lenses (21, 24, and 28mm) provide the most realistic view of the space, while fast film, such as ASA 400, allows the smallest aperture (F16 to F22) for the greatest depth of field. Care should be taken in choosing the type of film because some are color biased (sensitive to a narrow range of color) and may not accurately portray the color of the space.

Photographic studies require circular lensports the diameter of the camera lens, which should be positioned at eye level. These lensports, like the viewports needed in visual observation, should be perpendicular to the window-wall for the best results, and the camera lens should be snug to the lensport so that unwanted light cannot penetrate.

This discussion indicates the potential that exists for the utilization of physical scale models in daylighting design. Since the construction of scale models has become a normal part of the design process, most architects, with the proper equipment and some practice with the above techniques, can accurately measure the effects of natural light. Ultimately, successful daylighting analysis may very well be akin to the process that was used to design New York's TWA Terminal, about which Eero Saarinen said, "It could not have been achieved on paper alone."

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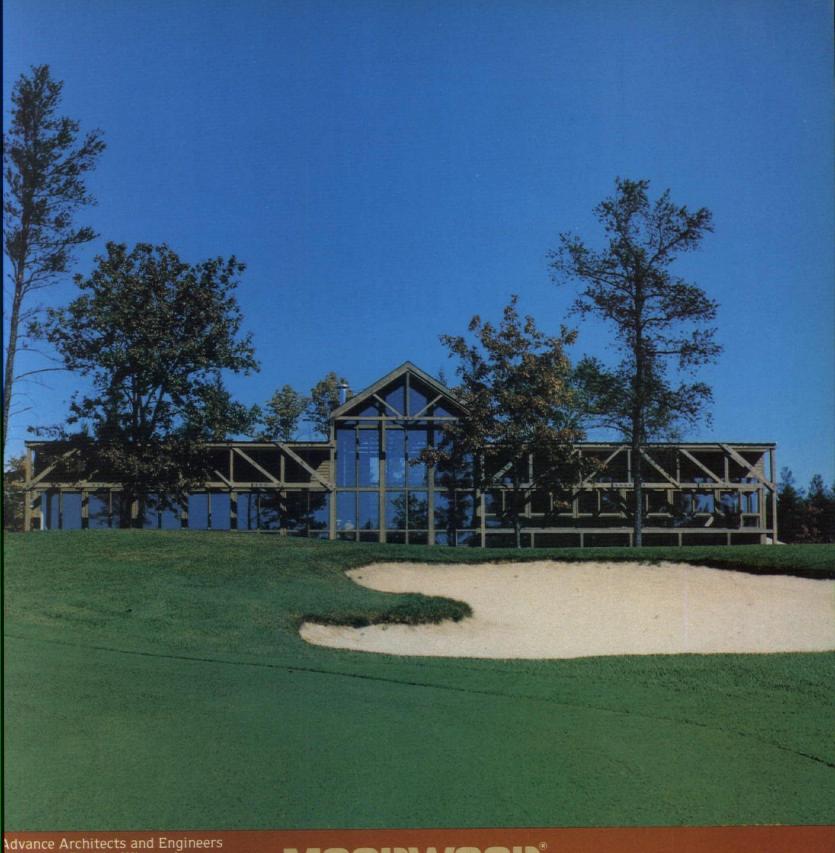
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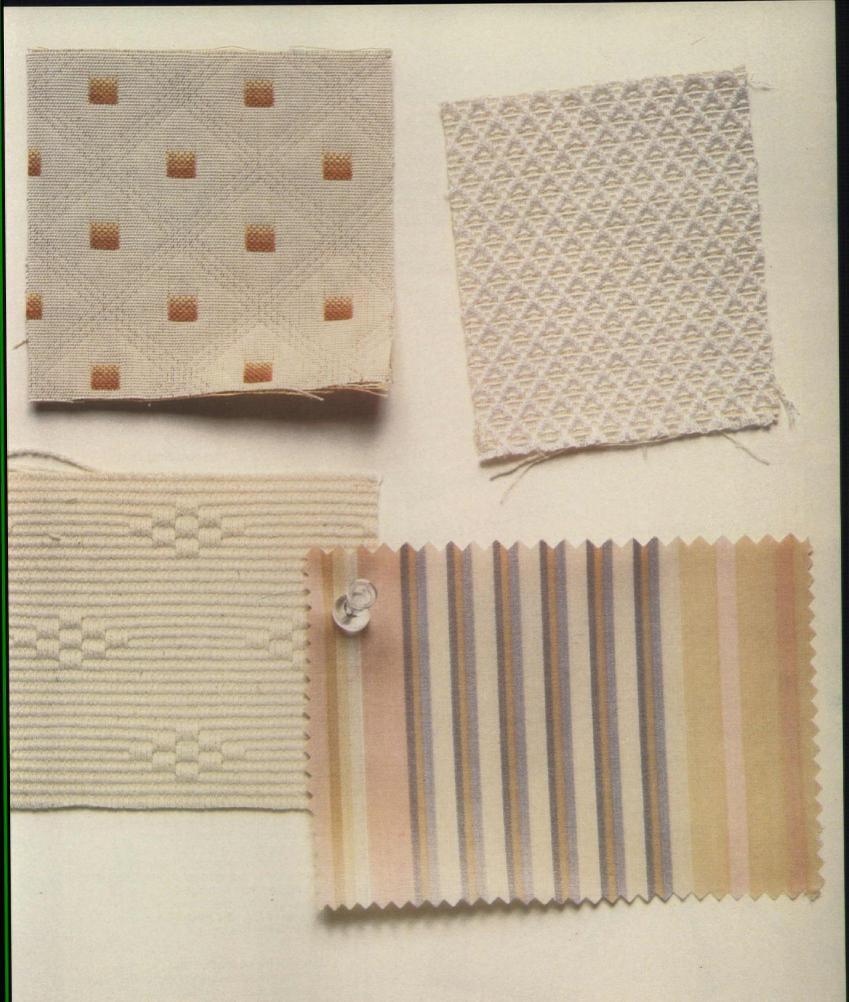








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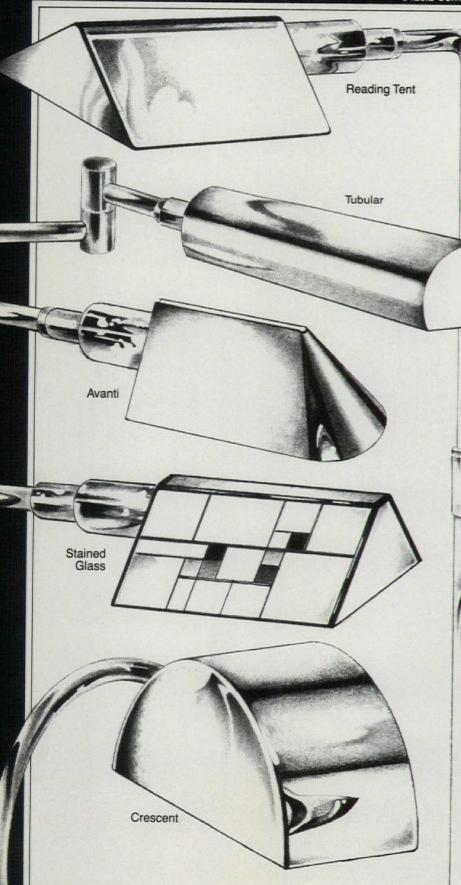
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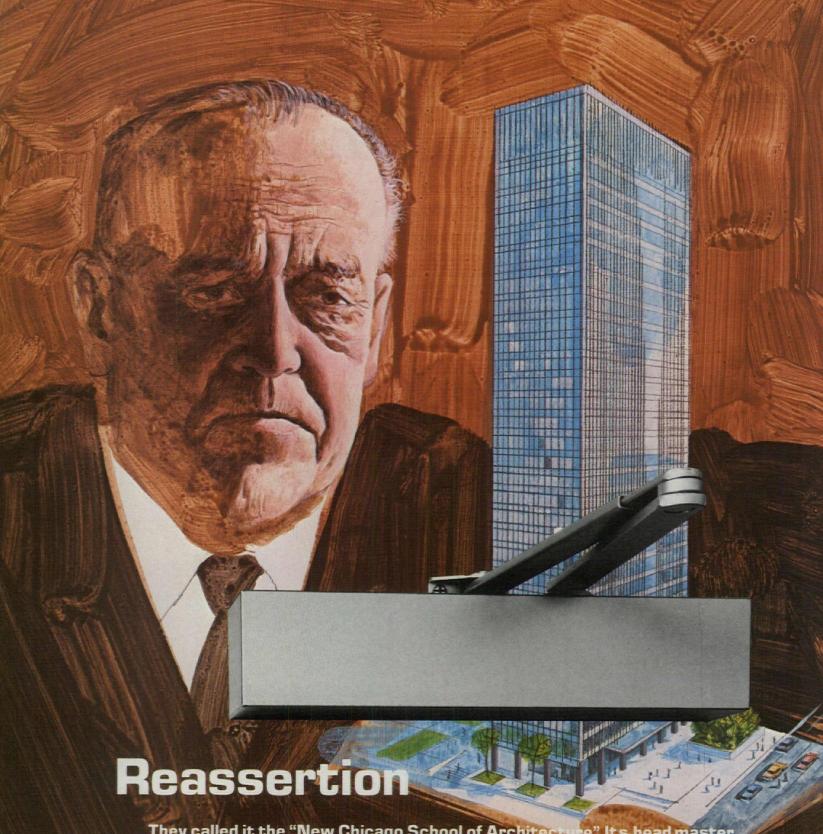
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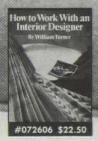




















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### Stanford revisited

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The landmark 1967 CSI study of specifications automation at the Stanford Research Institute still has some lessons for a new generation of architects and specifiers.

When CSI commissioned the Stanford Research Institute to study current practices in the use of automated techniques for specifications some 15 years ago, few firms had gone beyond automatic typewriters and punched paper tape. Charles Diehl, the study's prescient author, identified six levels of possible automation, the first four comprising the existing state of the art. Level I, manual preparation of project manuals, was not included in the study.

The majority of firms surveyed used automatic typewriters for Level II work, which Diehl called "automatic typing or printing," or for Level III efforts, described as "specification storage, retrieval, and modification using automation." A few used computers (largely IBM 1130s) for Level II or III tasks. A few were using computers at Level IV, "advanced techniques for storage, retrieval, and modification of specifications." Large computer systems were also available for them and for the even fewer in the vanguard of Level V, "future integrated design and specification production systems using computers." Level VI was reserved for unidentified future systems.

The Stanford study (now unfortunately out of print) was important for the profession not only because it outlined what was then possible and what was being done at the time to automate specification production; and not only because it inspired creation of the Construction Research Foundation by CSI; but more important, because it was the first systematic analysis of the process so many architects and specifiers engage in when they produce project manuals (by whatever method). Diehl perceptively characterized specifications as a medium of communication among the many sectors of the construction industry, and he identified the principal users of the project manual in a many-armed "spider" diagram that clarified and confirmed the central role specifications have to play.

The study (properly) concentrated on the potential gains in productivity that automation offered and directed attention to the changing role of the specifier under the new circumstances: at Level III (the take-off point), the specifier becomes predominantly concerned with preparing master documents for the system. At Level IV and beyond, he is a technical consultant and resource person. The intervening years have seen several service groups arise to help the specifier provide and maintain master specifications as more firms arrived at Level III. And recognition of the specifier's decision-making role has increased correspondingly as Level IV systems became feasible.

During the same period, equipment grew more sophisticated, with many specifiers working through remote terminals connected to large main-frame time-sharing systems. The increasing capability of word-processing equipment has encouraged larger numbers of architects to do their project manuals on the smaller office-size units now in use across the country. Still, what is remarkable after such a short time is not the increasing variety of hardware available, but that so few regular producers of project manuals are today using less than Level III methods.

While the report revealed that architects interviewed at the time had not yet begun to employ computer graphics, Diehl was aware of experimental integrated systems being developed in university settings. As architects become more experienced in computer-aided design and drafting, the once vanguard Level V seems to gain reality today. Diehl may not have foreseen the rapid development and deployment of powerful smaller systems, but he did understand the general direction that automation of the architect's work would take.

There is much of value still to be learned from the Stanford Research study even though the state of the art has moved well beyond its 1967 description. The basic perception and analysis of the needs of specifiers and the process of automated specifications still ring true. Today's emphasis on automating the design and drawing portions of architectural work does not mean that specifications have declined in importance or centrality. Nor will the specifier's role as consultant and technical adviser soon diminish. Clearly, the knowledge of applied building technology will always be essential to both design and construction, regardless of the form documents produced by the architect may

Perhaps it's now time for a new independent study of advanced techniques of document production. In addition to revealing the character and extent of the many changes that have already taken place, such a study would show where we currently are on the road to an integrated system of design and documentation. Until this is undertaken, however, the Stanford report, despite its technological obsolescence, will probably remain the best exposition we have of what producing specifications is all about.  $\square$ 

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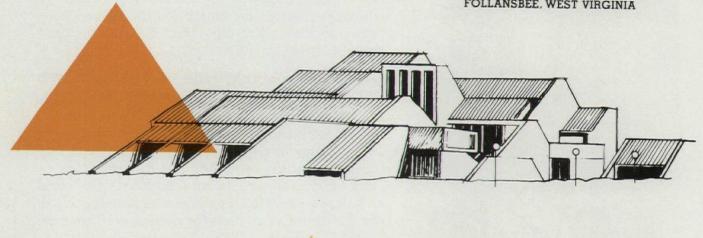
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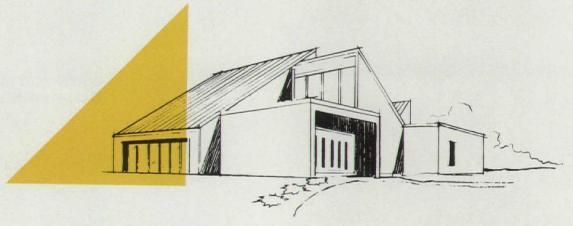


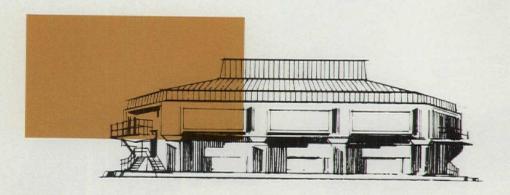
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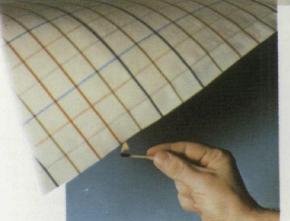
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# Resolving owner-contractor disputes

### Norman Coplan

If the architect has power to determine questions about plans and specifications that may arise between the owner and the contractor, it should be clearly spelled out in the construction contract.

If an architect is authorized, under a construction contract, to determine conclusively any questions, disputes, or claims relating to the performance of either the contractor or the owner, or to the interpretation of the plans and specifications, he is in a powerful and effective position to promote his administration of such contract. With such authority, however, generally comes additional potential liability, and therefore many architects are uncomfortable if placed in the position of a final arbiter under the construction contract. Reflecting this point of view are the standard construction contracts of the American Institute of Architects, which provide for an appeal to arbitration from most of the decisions of the architect. On the other hand, many contracts, particularly for public projects, provide that an architect or engineer's decisions shall be final and binding.

In those jurisdictions that will enforce a construction contract that makes the architect the final decisionmaker, the rule is that the architect's decision will not subject the architect to any liability unless the architect has acted fraudulently or in bad faith. This rule applies even if the architect's decision may be erroneous or appears to have been negligently made. In this respect, the architect is viewed as exercising a semijudicial function, and he is granted powers and immunities similar to those of a judge or arbitrator.

Illustrative of the issues raised by a construction contract that provides that the design professional is to render final decisions is the case of Ardsley Construction Co. v. Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, 444 NYS 2d 907. This case involved a contract between a general contractor and the Port Authority for certain structural repairs on a vehicular viaduct. The contractor subcontracted a portion of the work relating to the fabrication and installation of expansion dams. After the job was completed, the subcontractor, through the general contractor, made the claim for additional costs incurred as the result of the bridge being "out of square." It was contended that the Port Authority plans erroneously indicated the bridge girders, to which the expansion dams were to be continuously welded, as straight, even, and parallel, which they were not, resulting in cost overruns.

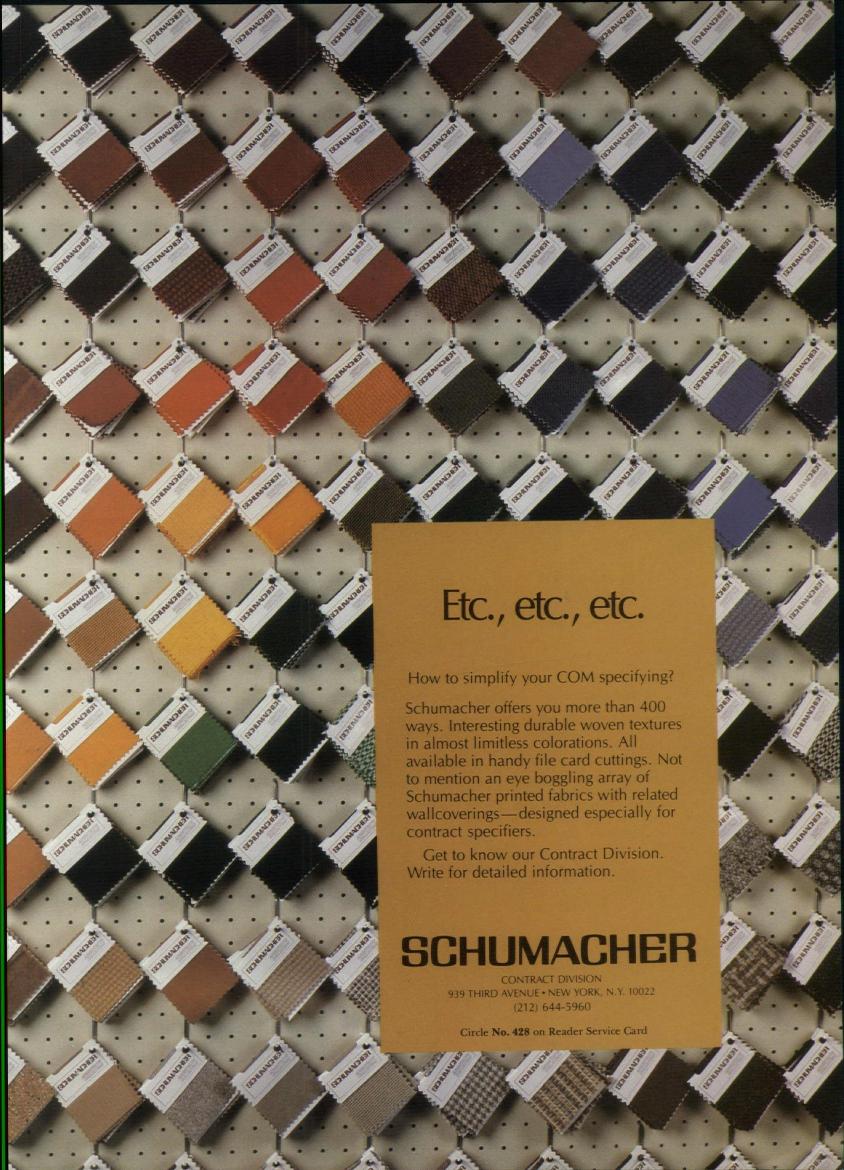
The claim was submitted to the owner's engineer for determination under a provision of the construction contract, which stated that "the Engineer shall determine the amount, quality, acceptability and fitness of all parts of the materials and Work, shall interpret the Contract Drawings, Specifications, and any Extra Orders, and shall decide all other questions in connection with the Contract." The engineer rejected the claim on the premise that the field conditions were as could be reasonably anticipated "and that no contractor with any engineering sophistication could have expected to find an absolutely square condition."

The general contractor then instituted a legal action for damages, asserting that neither the contract documents nor physical inspection of the bridge would have disclosed the "out of square" condition between the surface of the roadway and the underlying girders. The Court, in dismissing the action,

"The claims asserted . . . in this litigation fall within the broad scope of the contract provision that . . . the Engineer shall decide all questions in connection with the Contract . . . (t)he decision of the engineer is conclusive and final as a matter of law unless it was infected by fraud, bad faith or palpable error . . . No evidence was introduced sufficient to permit the jury to find fraud, bad faith or palpable error in the engineer's decision. The assertion (that the out of square condition could not be detected) in no way undermines the conclusion of the engineer based on his experience in such matters that the condition was what reasonably could be expected by anyone with any engineering sophistication whatever."

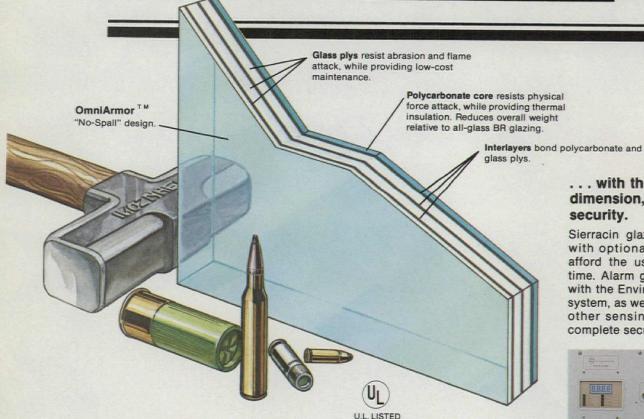
The operative contract under which an architect or engineer may be empowered to render decisions binding upon contractor and owner may have differing applications depending on the language utilized. For example, many construction contracts that authorize the architect to determine conclusively questions of fact exclude from his jurisdiction questions of law. If such be the case, the scope of the architect's role as an arbiter would not only be more limited, but the extent, nature, and method of judicial review of the architect's decision could vary from the situation in which his decisionmaking authority is basically unlimited.

In any event, the more basic question for consideration in the development of a construction contract is whether the granting of broad powers to the architect is desirable. From the architect's viewpoint, the power to enforce decisions concerning the contractor's performance or lack thereof can be a potent weapon in the processing of the construction work. From the viewpoint of the contractor, however, it may appear manifestly unfair for the architect to render final decisions that involve his client or that may even involve the adequacy of his own performance. Since the courts in general are reluctant to construe a contract as granting an architect the power to determine conclusively all questions and disputes that may arise during construction (presumably because of the fear that an architect cannot be a truly impartial arbiter), if it is deemed in the interest of securing an appropriate building project to grant such power and authority, the construction contract must be clear and explicit on this subject to ensure that it will be enforced as desired.



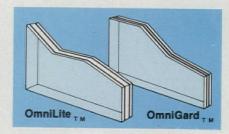
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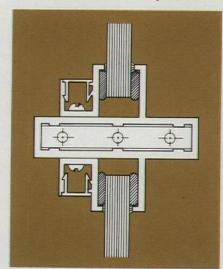


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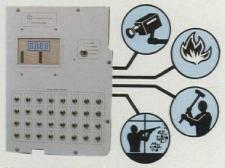
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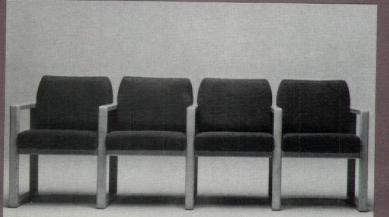
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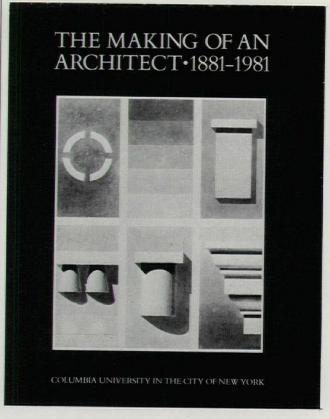
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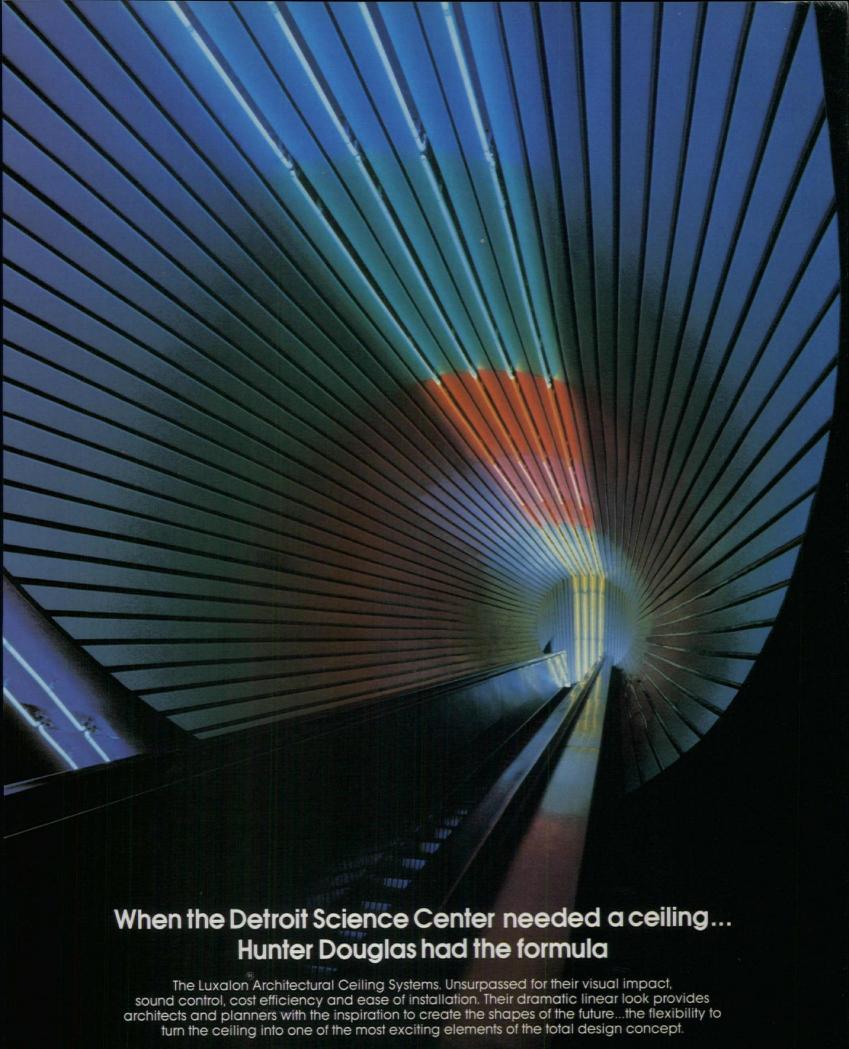
The Making of an Architect—1881–1981: Columbia University in the City of New York, edited by Richard Oliver. New York, Rizzoli, 1981, 263 pp., \$30.

Reviewed by Christopher Wilk, lecturer, and author of Marcel Breuer: Furniture and Interiors, and Thonet: 150 Years of Furniture

1981 was the 100th anniversary of architectural education at Columbia University. It was marked by a large exhibition at the National Academy of Design, and by the publication of this ambitious history of the school. While the exhibition was uncritically treated by a sympathetic local press, it was less than a triumph. Poorly organized and installed—even the labels were illegible—it came off as Columbia's somewhat undeserved tribute to itself. Its failure to communicate in any way with a general audience was disappointing, and the inclusion of non-Columbia architects (Mies, Aalto, and Le Corbusier, for example) seemed only to highlight the weakness of much of the alumni work.

The book, on the other hand, with its exclusive attention to the history of architecture and architectural education at Columbia and their effect on the City of New York, is a considerable success. Rather than a vanity book, *The Making of an Architect* is a serious, scholarly history, consisting of seven chapters of straight historical narrative written mainly by Columbia graduate students, and six thematic essays by faculty members highlighting a given period or individual in the school's history. In addition, there is a brief history of the Historic Preservation program (really more of a personal memoir by its first director, James Marston Fitch), and a "Portfolio of works by alumni."

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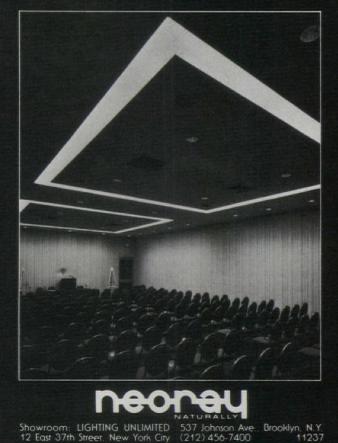
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Almost without exception, the essays are distinguished for their scrupulous objectivity and integrity. All of the authors apparently had unlimited access to University records (well documented in footnotes), to interviews conducted by various of the contributors, as well as to research undertaken by students in graduate seminars and others. What emerges is a remarkably candid portrait of what is now known as the Graduate School of Architecture and Planning. There are many stories within the book: the history of architectural education, of the bureaucracy and organization of the program, of the various deans and instructors, and even of those who were considered for employment at Columbia but never hired. Little is left out, and it is hard to imagine any non-Columbia writers providing a more objective or less self-serving account.

What is most surprising to anyone not well acquainted with the history of Columbia is the dogged persistence of the Beaux-Arts heritage, from the school's founding until the 1950s. The authors describe a remarkable tradition of conservatism within the leadership and faculty of the school. Indeed, as portrayed in the book, the high points of the school's history appear to have been the first years of this century and

the most recent decade.

Steven Bedford's "History I, the Founding of the School," chronicles the dogged efforts of Columbia trustee F.A. Schermerhorn to establish a "course" (read "program") in architecture at the University. Schermerhorn's concern was not so much the generally acknowledged poor quality of design in America, but rather "the clinically unsafe" and unsanitary conditions of buildings, especially those in urban areas. The program began in 1881 as a course in "Architecture and Sanitary Engineering" in the University's School of Mines. The first head of the program was William Robert Ware, a practicing architect, the first director of MIT's architecture school, and a student of the famous atelier of Richard Morris Hunt. (Hunt, the first American architect trained at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts in Paris, was Columbia's first choice to head the program, but he declined the offer.)

As we learn in David De Long's short but excellent thematic essay, "William Ware and the Pursuit of Suitability 1881-1903," and in the first half of Steven Bedford's and Susan Strauss's "History II, 1881-1912," Ware was driven by a desire to free the architecture program from the administrative control and scientific/technical orientation of the School of

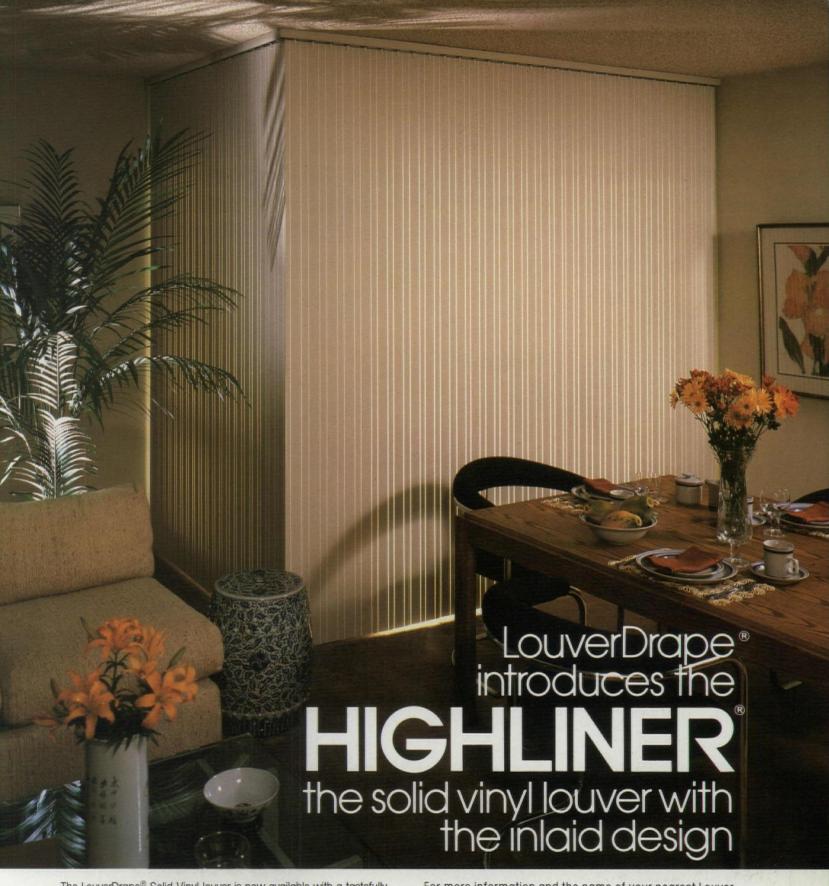
Mines.

Although the Ecole des Beaux-Arts played a seminal role as a model for architectural education in America, Ware did not want to copy directly the Ecole's teaching, but instead hoped to develop a new American pedagogy that would be even less Beaux-Arts-oriented than his MIT program had been. Ware stressed design theory, competitions, and drawing far less than the Ecole. He believed in a more liberal, broadly based program that was ultimately rejected by the University and by the Beaux-Arts-oriented members of the profession. (Charles F. McKim was a particularly vocal critic of Ware.)

Bedford and Strauss cite (but do not adequately explain) the eventual separation of the architecture course from the School of Mines. (This is one of several places in the book that could have used the stronger hand of the book's editor, Richard Oliver.) Ware's replacement, A.D.F. Hamlin, wrestled with similar problems of comparison with the Ecole and also with the notable intervention of a Visiting Committee of leading practitioners, who pushed Columbia closer to Beaux Arts ideals and teaching methods. The result was, in a nut-

shell, less writing and more drawing.

Robert Stern's and Gregory Gilmartin's essay, "Apropos 1900: New York the Metropolitan Ideal," attempts to give "an account of the evolution of New York's architecture and urbanism" from 1876 through 1933. While there is much fascinating material in this piece, the scope is too wide, the text too long—did the editor read this essay?—and it is subject to needless personal remarks and apologies. (The authors refer to their task as "daunting in scope"; Stern unnecessarily reminds the reader that the piece is "a homage to my city," and in true undergraduate style informs us that "this essay is the [Books continued on page 281]



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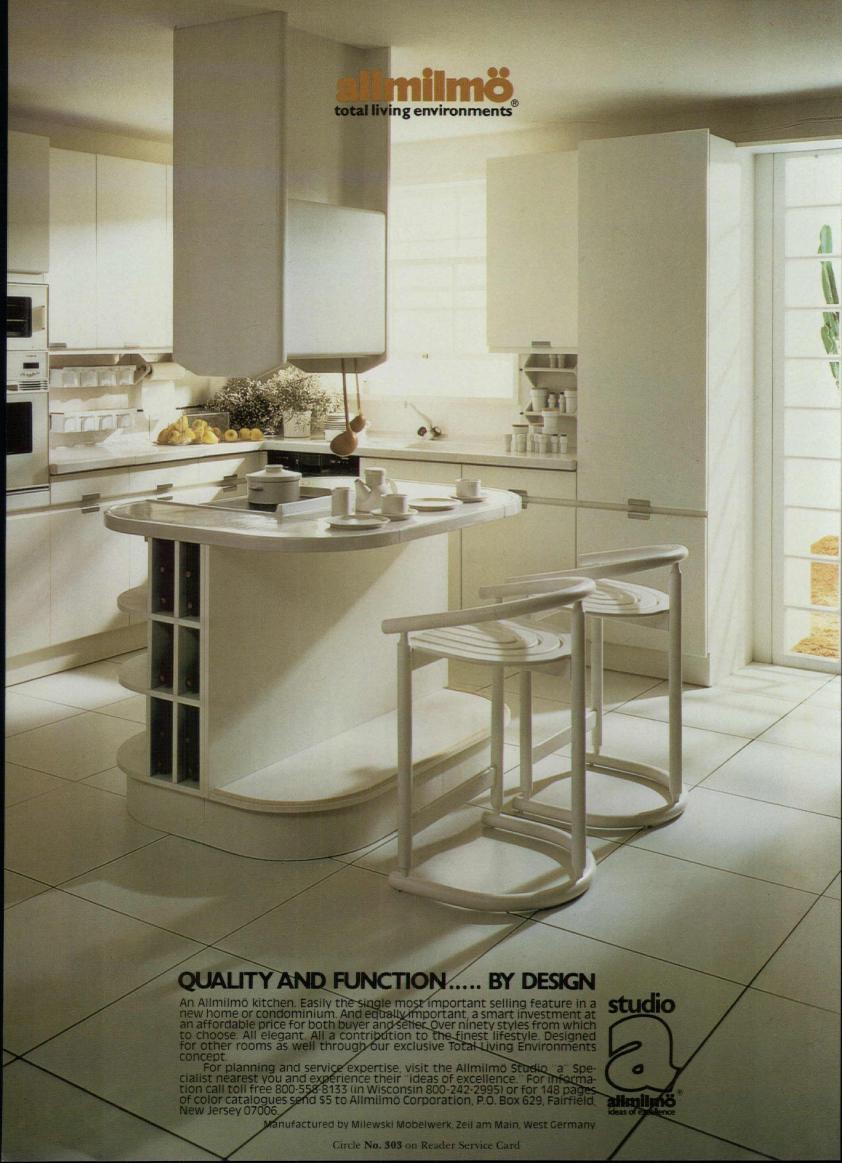
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product of an unimaginably intense ninety day blitz.") These problems, especially the poor organization and lack of conciseness, detract from the impact of the well-researched essay.

Susan Strauss's "History III, 1912-1933," describes the brief tenure of Austin Willard Lord and the more important years of Dean William A. Boring (1919-1934), during which time Columbia managed virtually to ignore the coming tide of Modernism. Boring, although quite sincere and not as bad as his name might suggest, kept the school closely affiliated with New York's Beaux Arts Institute of Design. During the same years that Le Corbusier designed his first modular houses, and while Gropius guided the Bauhaus through its early years, Columbia students worked on typical Beaux-Arts projects that included yacht clubs, battle monuments, lifesaving stations, and monuments to Greek athletes.

A reading of Rosemarie Bletter's fine essay, "Modernism Rears its Head-the Twenties and Thirties," helps to place Boring, and Columbia, in the context of the contemporary architectural world. Bletter highlights the important influence of the Art Deco and its relationship to the Beaux Arts, as well as the impact of the Depression on design. Her essay also includes a discussion of the next dean, Joseph Hudnut (1933-1935), that is particularly valuable for showing the reaction of the academic community to Modernism.

Judith Oberlander's essay, "History IV, 1933-1935," scribes Hudnut's brief tenure and summarizes his important effect on the school with the statement that "the old pedagogy had been discredited, and a new pedagogy to take its place had not yet been fully instituted." Hudnut, the first dean not to have been educated according to Beaux Arts precepts, hesitantly breathed new life into the school, even hiring a German Modernist, Jan Ruthenberg, to teach. The great pity for Columbia was that the succeeding deans never continued Hudnut's new direction.

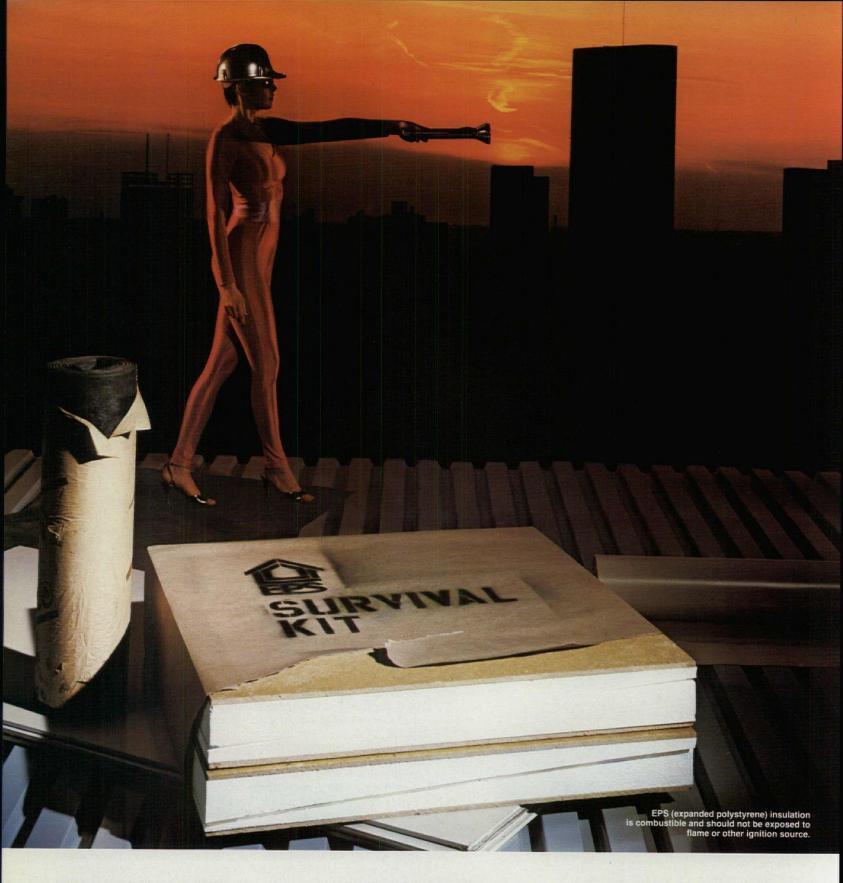
Christine Boyer's essay, "In Search of an Order to the American City: 1893-1945," sits somewhat uncomfortably within the book's organization. Professor Boyer tells the story of city planning by highlighting four practitioners who were faculty members at Columbia between 1912 and 1945: George Burdette Ford, Carol Aronovici, Henry Wright, and Carl Feiss. This essay and several of the other interpretive pieces are contributions that can be read independently of the other chapters.

When Joseph Hudnut left Columbia to accept "a very exceptional opportunity" offered by Harvard's School of Design, he felt that his former assistant, Leopold Arnaud, would make an excellent acting dean and probably a fine replacement. As Diane Boas explains in "History V, 1935-1959," and as Hudnut remarked only one year later, Arnaud was "more like a 'head clerk' than a Chairman of the Board." The appointment of this old guard Ecole graduate was perhaps the most fatal blow to the quality of education at Columbia in the 20th Century. Remarkably, for all of his apparent mediocrity, Arnaud's appointment as dean lasted from 1937 until 1959.

Boas's chronicle of Arnaud's tenure during the War and after reveals him as a conservative man capable of accepting a wide variety of viewpoints, but ultimately lacking the breadth of vision or intellectual capacity to revitalize the program and continue Hudnut's reforms. By the time Arnaud left in 1959, there was stagnation in the school and low morale among students and faculty. Lacking in Boas's essay is an adequate explanation of how Arnaud was able to hold on for so long, given his uninspired leadership.

Talbot Faulkner Hamlin, architect, Columbia professor, an Avery librarian from 1934 through 1946, is the subject of Kenneth Frampton's sensitive essay, "Slouching Towards Modernity: T.F. Hamlin and the Architecture of the New Deal." The title is somewhat misleading, since little of the essay deals with New Deal architecture. Instead, Frampton vividly portrays Hamlin's deeply felt, and mainly conservative ideas and writings on architecture. An "uncertain eclectic" as an architect, Hamlin saw the Greek Revival as "the last moral American style," and with a distinctly antiurban bias, regarded the completely integrated garden suburb of Raymond Unwin-not the popular bedroom suburb-as the contempo-[Books continued on page 284]

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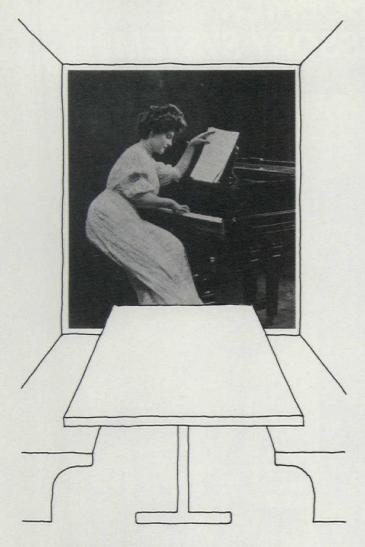
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rary ideal. Hamlin's feelings about Modern architecture, although tempered somewhat in later years, were summarized in the title of his 1933 review of the famous MoMA exhibition, "The International Style Lacks the Essence of Great Architecture."

The book's editor, Richard Oliver, contributes "History VI, 1959–1968," which coincides mainly with the tenure of Dean Charles Ralph Colbert, a New Orleans architect. Colbert endeavored to revitalize the curriculum, which "had not been significantly altered since 1936," and succeeded in instituting some reforms, which remain to the present day. But even filled with good ideas, he notably failed to end the prohibition against architecture faculty involvement in campus architecture and ultimately was done in at least in part by "his autocratic manner." Unfortunately for the school, writes Oliver, "Colbert's optimism regarding interdisciplinary work and a revitalized School was not easily translated into a workable curriculum, an appropriate faculty, or a convincing architectural pedagogy."

Colbert's successor was Kenneth A. Smith, whose greatest distinctions were to involve the faculty more in policy-making decisions, and to appoint Romaldo Giurgola Chairman of Architecture within the School. Giurgola hired innovative teachers such as Peter Prangnell to invigorate the studios.

Smith was dean during the 1968 student rebellion, the subject of Marta Gutman's and Richard Plunz's excellent essay, "Anatomy of insurrection." The authors place the architecture school's part in those violent days of 1968 squarely within the context of other particularly difficult periods in the school's history (the 1930s and early 1960s), when changes or lack of changes in the curriculum set the stage for confrontations between students, faculty, and the administration. In addition to explaining clearly the events of 1968 (marred only by occasional breaks in the narrative), they trace its causes "to the origins of the profession of architecture in the United States in general, and to the position of the Columbia School of Architecture . . . within this development." They manage to explain a particularly difficult and still emotionally charged story with intelligence and a true understanding of the history of the school.

Susan Strauss's "History VII, 1968–1981," deals with the end of Smith's tenure and the appointment in 1972 of the current dean, James Stewart Polshek, who has managed to turn Columbia into one of the nation's leading architecture schools. Polshek instituted striking changes in the school's organization immediately upon his appointment. He changed the program into an exclusively graduate school, hired new faculty, assured the active involvement of the dean in matters of University architecture and planning and, most notably, secured the right of faculty to execute University commissions. This period, like all those covered in the book, is told with candor that is not always complimentary to the participants.

While *The Making of an Architect* admirably fulfills its purpose, it suffers from two problems. First, the book could have benefited greatly from tighter editing. There is repetition between historical and thematic chapters, and in several essays the narrative does not flow smoothly enough. Second, the book inexplicably lacks an index. This is a major omission for a scholarly work that will inevitably be used more for reference than read cover to cover. One can only hope that someone at Columbia will undertake to write an index that will be made available to interested readers.

It is doubtful whether the history of an academic institution could be made into a truly entertaining narrative, but the interpretive essays do serve their purpose of enlivening the historical chapters. The extensive footnotes, which become overwhelming only in certain parts, are necessary and appropriate for a scholarly work that made use of so many primary and secondary sources. Finally, the design of the book is excellent, with footnotes conveniently located in the right-hand margins of each page.

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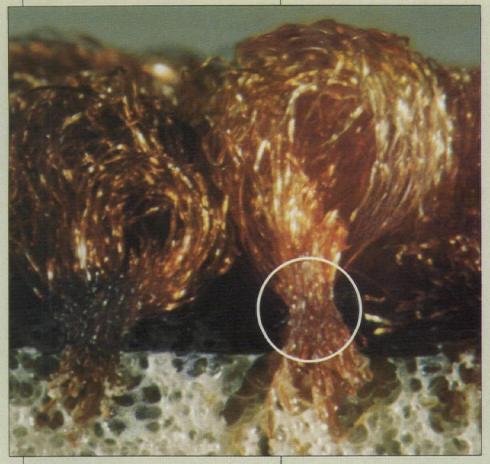
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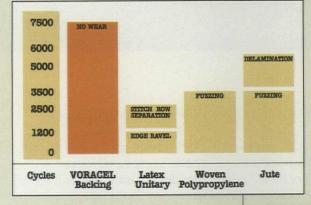
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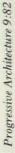
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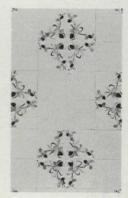


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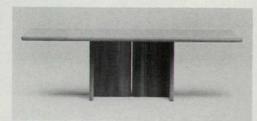
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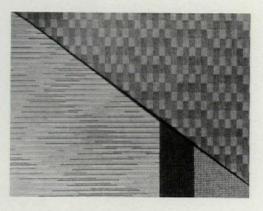
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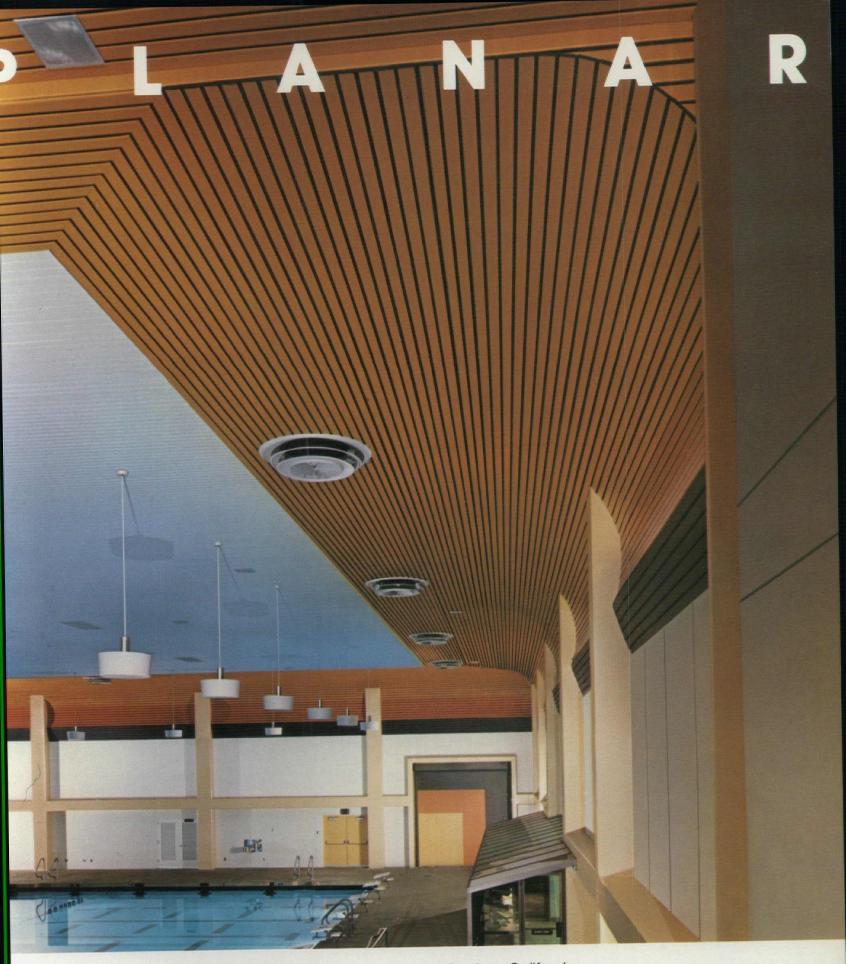
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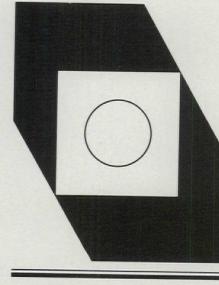
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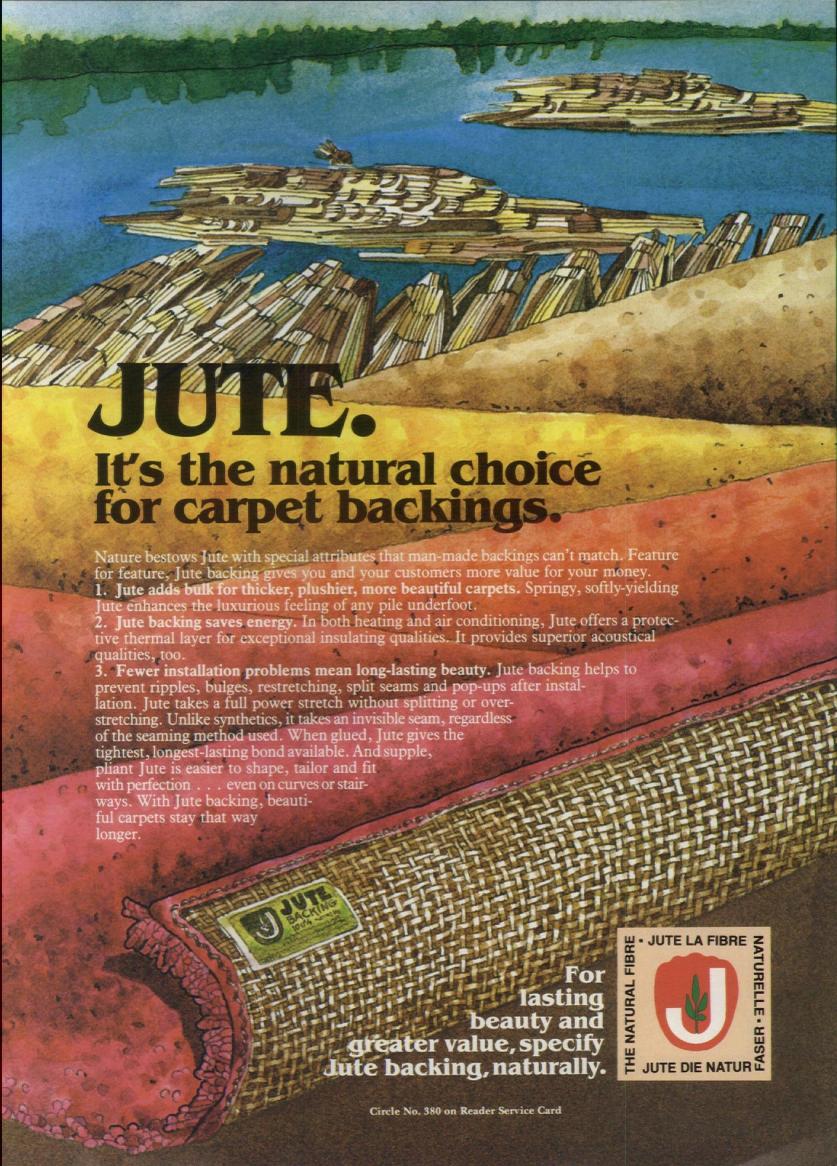
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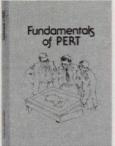
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**Design for hot, arid climates** will be the subject of a Technics article, outlining the major considerations and promising strategies for building in desert lands.

**P/A in November** will be devoted to Remodeling and Reuse, for the sixth consecutive year. This time, work examined will range from whole districts to single landmark rooms.

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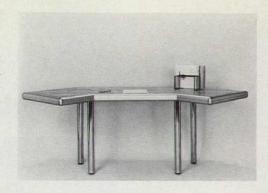
ocean spray. Illumination is from 50–150 watts using HID, low-sodium, mercury vapor, or metal halide lighting. The lens is high-strength polycarbonate. Urban Systems Streetscape, Inc. Circle 228 on reader service card

#### Literature

'Life Cycle Planning' explains the advantages of carpet modules for accessibility to power and communications flat cable, reduced cost when an office is expanded or work stations are changed, and interchangeability of modules when they need to be cleaned or replaced. The carpet squares are more easily transported than broadloom to any area of a building. Modules include Flor-S for light industrial and locker room areas, long-wearing nylons for general use, and wools. Heuga U.S.A., Inc. Circle 229 on reader service card

Church furniture catalog XL-78 shows pulpits, altars, clergy chairs, and other furnishings and accessories for narthex, nave, and chancel. Products are illustrated and dimensions are provided in this 44-page catalog. Several church interiors are shown in color. Overholtzer Church Furniture, Inc.

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Newline modular components, manufactured by Newline Octanorm of West Germany, consist of aluminum extrusions, surfaces, and panels. They are used to create conference tables, CRT work stations, showcases, and occasional tables. Surfaces and panels are made of wood, glass, and plastics. Typical combinations of the components are illustrated in color in an eight-page brochure. Peter Pepper Products. Circle 231 on reader service card

Spas, whirlpool baths, and environmental enclosures are featured in a 28-page, full-color brochure. Specifications are provided, along with photos of installations and of accessories available. A color guide is included. For a copy, send \$1 to Kohler Co., Dept. LP-1, Kohler, Wi 53044.

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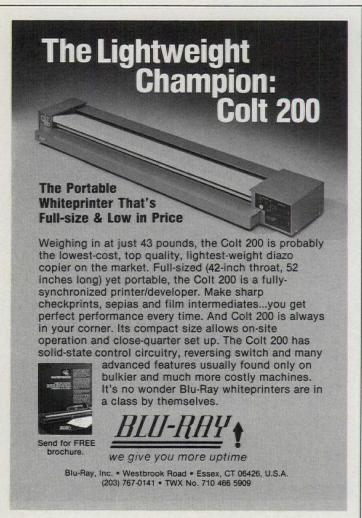
pers. The 48-in. (122-cm) wide slot handles large copies or several small sheets. Features of the processor's operation and technical data are available in a 16-page brochure. Agfa-Gevaert. Circle 232 on reader service card

'The Design Index,' to be published three times a year, is a guide to current information in major national and international design periodicals. Volume 1, scheduled for publication this month, includes over 2000 indexed articles from 23 periodicals. They are indexed in more than 1000 subject headings; names of designers, clients, and authors; and book reviews. Domestic individual subscription rate is \$45 a year. For further information write to The Design Index, 600 Davis St., Evanston, Il 60201.

1982 Drafting Supplies Catalog has a complete inventory of basic supplies, from pens and pencils to drawing boards and drafting machines. It offers an assortment of drafting media, drafting instruments, and related products. The bookstore section includes a selection of reference books of interest to draftsmen. There is also a section of furniture and files. SAGA, Div. of DADE, Inc.

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Architectural hardware and fire/life safety products catalog for 1982 provides product specifications and or-[Literature continued on page 300]





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'Drafting Guide for Du Pont Films,' a 16-page brochure, discusses general precautions to be observed in drafting. It also lists commercial products that are acceptable for use with Cronaflex® and Crovex® films. Products listed are inks, erasers, pencils, typing ribbons, and stamp pads and inks. The brochure discusses the best methods for removing ink, pencil, typing, and photographic

lines. A chart provides a summary of drafting surface types. E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

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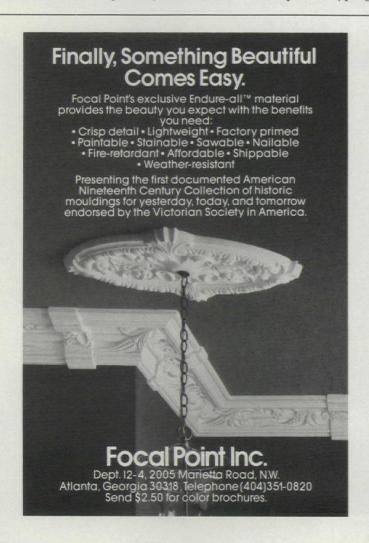
Skylight manual provides information about design, detailing, and specification of skylight construction. The 40-page manual is in two sections, one for glass and the other for acrylic glazing. Various skylight configurations are illustrated. Details show profiles of rafters and cross bars, sills, and glazing caps. Plan and elevation sheets are included for the various skylights. O'Keeffe's, Inc. Circle 237 on reader service card

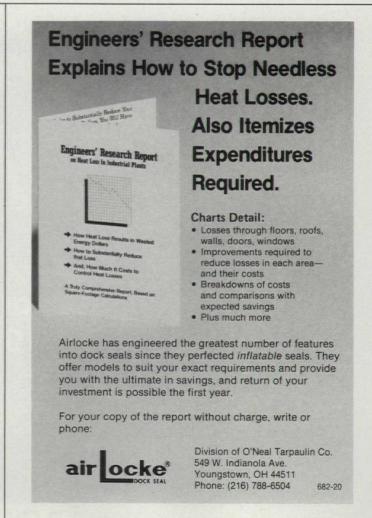
Epoxy table/counter tops, sinks, and accessories for laboratories and hospitals are discussed in an eight-page brochure. Drawings show dimensions and styles. Charts provide chemical resistance, radioisotope resistance, and mechanical and physical properties. Lab-Resin, Inc.

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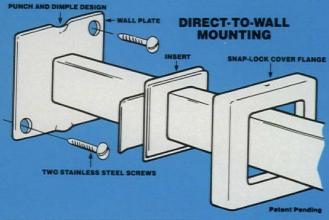
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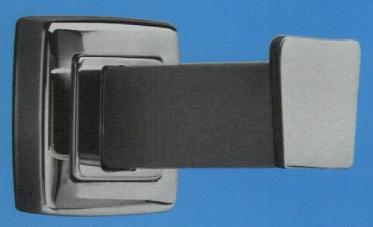


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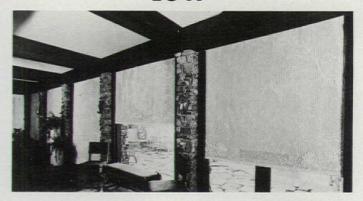
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Architectural Window/Door Products Guide describes features of the products, with comparative data on heat loss and sound transmission. The 24-page brochure offers several styles and sizes for new construction and for replacement systems. Acorn Building Components, Inc.

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Exterior doors brochure illustrates entrance, French, and double new and replacement doors, side lites, and top lites. The 18-page, full-color brochure describes doors, hardware, and thresholds. There are drawings of the many flush and paneled styles, with and without windows, and installation details. Taylor Building Products.

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1982 Painting Systems catalog provides specifications for surface preparation and application methods, along with specific product data for normal and heavy-duty exposures. Coating types include chlorinated rubber, epoxy, vinyl, zinc-rich, aluminum, acrylic latex, polyurethane, and alkyd enamels. Specification-writing suggestions outline details that affect the quality of the work. The Sherwin-Williams Co. Circle 242 on reader service card

Ceiling brochure, in two parts, has color photos of the company's ceiling products in typical installations throughout the world. The second part of the 32-page brochure provides details in brief about the various ceilings, with photographs and drawings. Included are grids, louvers, specular ceilings, vertical panels, coffers, and baffles. Intalite Louvers and Ceilings, Inc. Circle 243 on reader service card

Custom cabinetry, described and illustrated in a 44-page brochure, includes several styles of cabinets for any room in the house and for the office, including desks. Full-color photos show actual installations planned to meet individual life styles. Storage requirement problems are solved by special drawers, shelves, and inserts. Wood-Mode Cabinetry.

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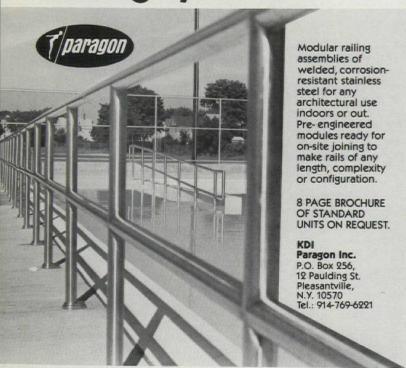
Major materials suppliers for buildings that are featured this month as they were furnished to P/A by the architects.

Project: Knoll Design Center, New York (p. 178). Designers: Paul Haigh, architectural design; Knoll Space Design Group (Lee Stout, director), office systems and furniture planning. Carpet: GFI. Lighting: LSI, Keene, AI. Office Systems: Zapf, by Knoll. Furniture: Knoll. Blinds: Levolor, LouverDrape. Fabrics: Knoll. Kitchens: St. Charles, Dwyer. Signage: Knoll Graphics.

Stilwende, New York (p. 182). Designer: Joseph R. Lembo, New York. Carpet: C & J Zimmerman Corp. Lighting: Lighting Services Inc. Side chairs: Furniture of the Twentieth Century. Upholstery: John Boyle & Co.

Doctor's loft/apartment, New York (p. 192). Architects: MORSA, New York. Paint: Pratt and Lambert. Marble: A+G Marble. Flooring: Coughlin Flooring Inc. Lighting: Design M/MORSA. Wall [Building materials cont. on p. 306]

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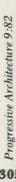


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sculpture: Antonio Morello. Built-in units: Tana Construction Co. Arflex seating units: Beylerian. Celestina chairs: Zanotta. Window panels: MORSA. Range: Garland.

Ridgway Ltd. offices, Newport Beach, Ca (p. 186). Architect: Ridgway Ltd. Carpet: Patrick Carpet Mills. Ceiling: Armstrong. Files: Steelcase. Chairs: Knoll. Lighting: Lightolier; Artemide; Smith-Victor. Window shades: Athey.

Agrigenetics Research, New York (p. 194). Architect: Redroof Design, New York. Paint: Benjamin Moore. Carpet: Focus. Lighting: Kurt Versen; Lighting Services; Rambusch. Vertical blinds: Draperies for Business. Upholstery fabric: Jack Lenor Larsen; Clarence House. Upholstered furniture: fabricated by William Heina, New York.

Driehaus Research Associates, Chicago (p. 200). Architect: The Landahl Group, Chicago. Paint: Pratt & Lambert. Wall fabric: Carnegie Fabrics. Ceilings: Armstrong. Floors: Edward Fields, Capitol Terrazzo. Lighting: Lightolier, Gotham & Chicago, Globe, Habitat. Furniture: Brickel, Lakeside Manufacturing. Drapes: Shore Drapery. Drapery hardware: Kirsch. Upholstery: Knoll, Lee/Jofa, Lackawanna Leather. Signage: Nelson Harkins Industries. Fab-

ricators: Custom redwood burl and plastic laminate: J.H. Oster Woodworking Corp. Custom sofas: Lakeside Manufacturing. Bronze CRT hoods: Tesko Corp.

Shaw-Walker showroom, Chicago, Il (p. 214). Architect: Robert A.M. Stern Architects, New York. Carpet: Stark Carpet Corp. Vinyl tile: Vinyl Plastics Industries. Marble tile: Old World Tile Co. Blinds: Levolor. Shades: Holland Shade. Paint: Benjamin Moore. Upholstery fabrics: The Shaw-Walker Company; Boris Kroll. Projection screen: General Drapery. Kitchen: Dwyer Products Corp. Hardware: Dwyer Products Corp. Baldwin. Lighting: G&T Plastics; Edison Price; Lightolier; Lumiline; Arrow Sign Co.; The Wiremold Company; C.J. Lighting Co., Inc. Gold leaf: Julius Lowy. Sandblasted glass: Glo-Glass Lowy. Corp. Plexiglass signage and silkscreening: General Exhibits and Displays, Inc. Faux marbre and copper finishes: Everitt Pritikin. Plaster light coves: Fotia Stone. Custom millwork and wood furniture: The John Hansen Co. Sofa fabricator: Beaver Furniture. Upholstery: Frank Vivo.

Gennaro Andreozzi, Inc. Offices, New York (p. 218). Architect: Alan Buchsbaum, Architect, New York. Windows: 3 Rivers Aluminum. Skylights: fabricated by DeLorenzo. Interior Paint: Fuller O'Brien. Locksets: Ironmonger. Signage: fabricated by Greeley Sign. Stairs:

fabricated by Tringalli Ironworks. Lighting: Holophane. Plumbing: American-Standard, Speakman. Carpeting: Milliken. Furniture: fabricated by Drew Cabinetmakers and Joannides Woodshops. Chairs: Jasper Seating. Blinds: Flexalum.

Sunar showroom, Dallas, Tx (p. 224). Architect: Michael Graves, Architect, Princeton, NJ. Paint: Pratt & Lambert. Ceilings: Armstrong. Carpet: Decorative Carpets. Lighting: Longlites by Peerless. Appliances: Whirlpool. Laminates: Formica; Laminart. Hardware: Baldwin.

Litton Business Furniture Showroom, Chicago (p. 228). Designers: McCoy & McCoy Associates, Bloomfield Hills, Mi. Wall paint: Fuller-O'Brien flat latex. Overhead steel grid: Unistrut. Oak flooring: Florida Flooring. Carpet: GFI. Incandescent track lighting: Lightolier. Furniture: Litton Business Furniture, Cole, Lehigh-Leopold. Blinds: Levolor. Custom items: striping on walls and windows, Modographics, Chicago; Photomurals, Meteor Photo, Detroit.

Williwear showroom, New York (p. 230). Designer: SITE Projects, Inc., New York. Air conditioning: Rimco Air Conditioning Co., Inc. Paint: Tnemec. Mason: Joe Petrone. Gypsum board contractor: Accurate Construction Co. Electrical contractor: Levest Electric Corp. Painting contractor: Frank Painting Co. Ironwork: Romal Iron Works, Inc.

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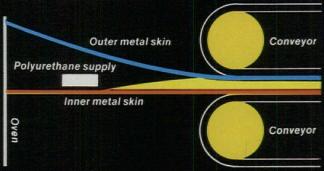
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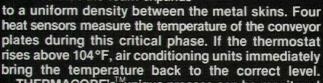
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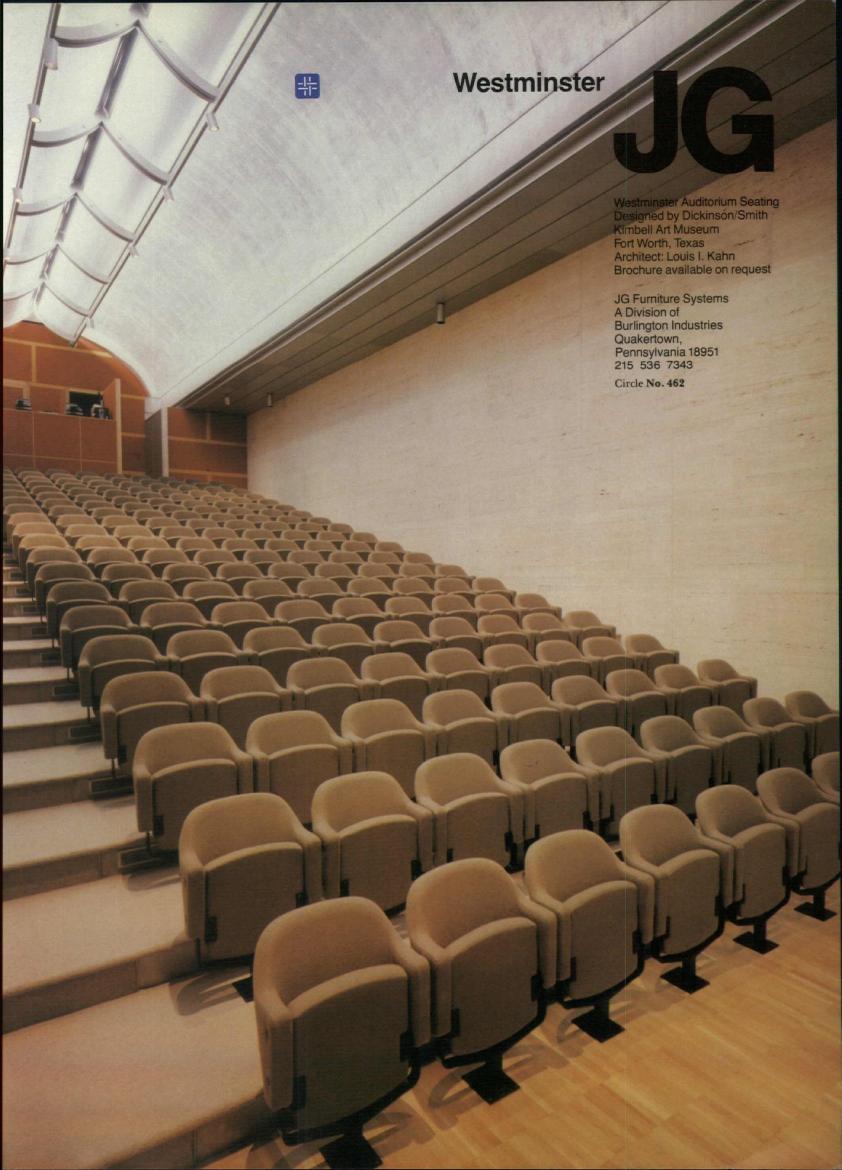
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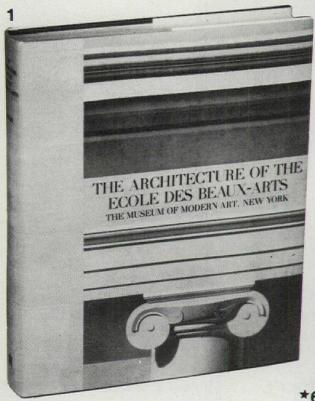
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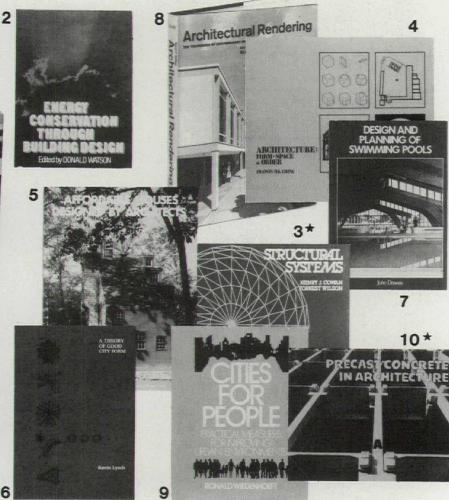
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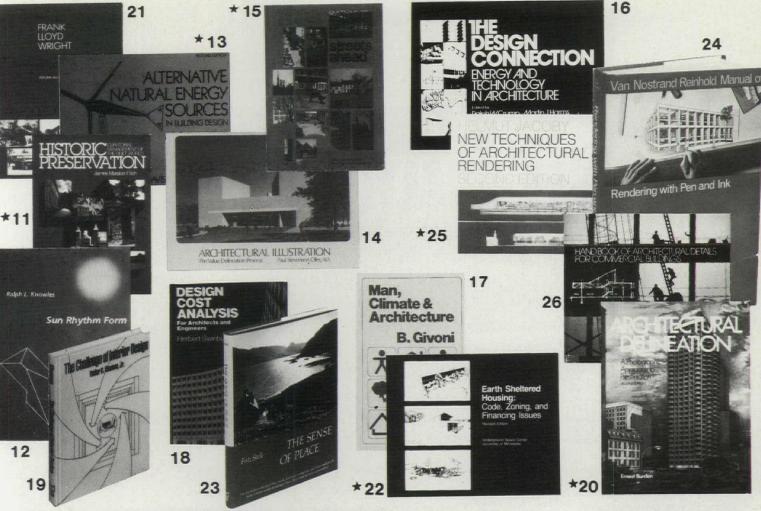
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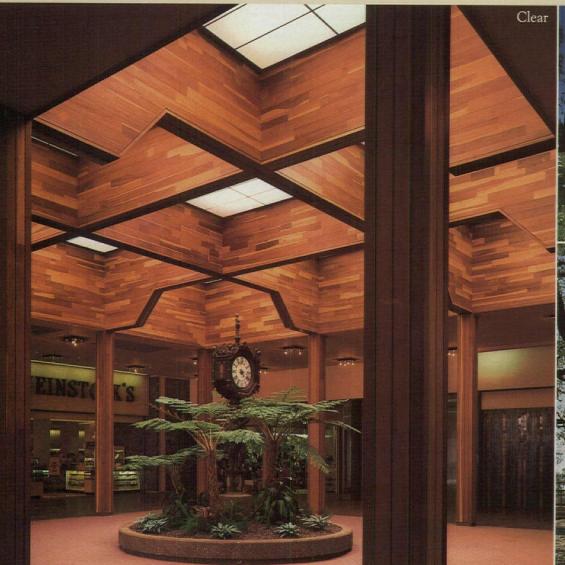
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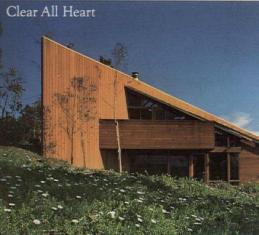
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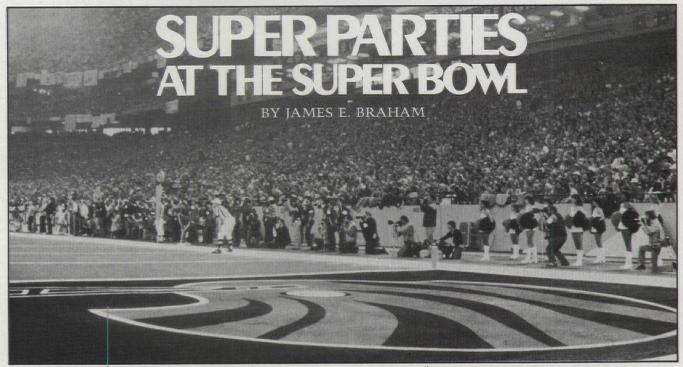




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## PERSONAL TIME

MONTHLY SECTION ON TRAVEL AND PERSONAL INTERESTS



fter a passing fling up north, the world's biggest party game should feel more at home when it returns to the land of fun 'n' sun in January.

The game is the Super Bowl, that mecca toward which 28 National Football League teams begin their annual pilgrimage this month. To much of the corporate world, this is more than a football game, even a championship. It's nearly a week-long orgy of wining and dining special clients and prize-winning dealers. By the time Super Bowl XVII kicks off in Pasadena's Rose Bowl on Sunday, Jan. 30, many folks will be plain partied out. Who'll win the game? What game?

So, stand by, Los Angeles, for the business manna. Some 400 corporate planes descended upon Detroit and Pontiac, Mich., for the last Super Bowl. Because the Rose Bowl holds 103,000 fans—about 20,000 more than Pontiac's Silverdome—and because this game won't be as centrally located, the private air fleet should number nearer the 1,000 or so that dropped in on New Orleans in 1981.

So, stand by, control towers. Stand by, helicopters . . . limousines, with

chauffeurs and champagne . . . fivestar restaurants . . . Disneyland, Hollywood night spots, race tracks, golf courses. Stand by, hotels and other California suites, anywhere a little business can be audibled into those endless football huddles, enough business anyway to satisfy any suspicious old meanies back at the IRS.

Compared with Pontiac, the party pace certainly will pick up. There, "low key" was the party line. The Big Three automakers finally convinced the National Football League (NFL) to put its glittering centerpiece where the advertising money has originated, but the Super Bowl came north at a most unSuper time for the depressed auto industry.

The locale (and time of year) turned some Super celebrators into Pontiac party-poopers. A few "no-shows" even celebrated Super Bowl week elsewhere. BFGoodrich Co. flew some 125 dealers, plus wives, to Hawaii for a week of golf and tennis and poolside dinners, all capped by watching the game on giant-screen TV.

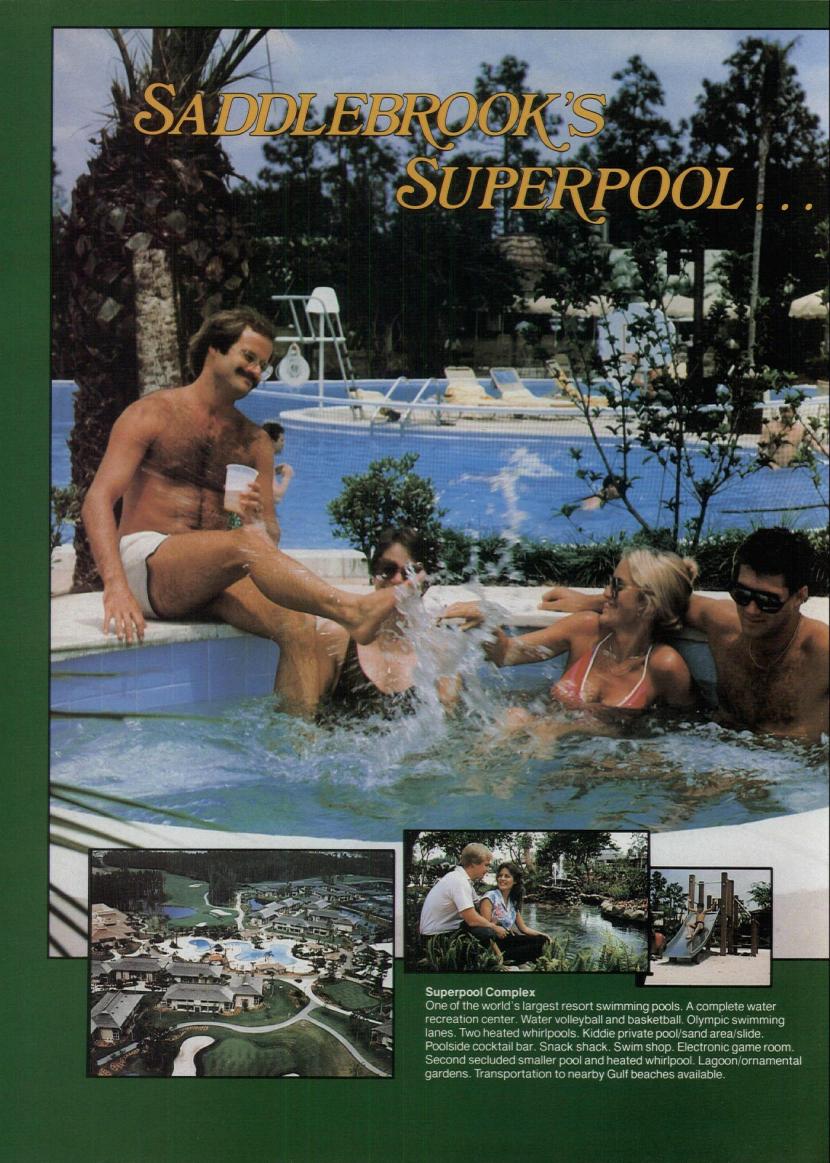
Brunch with Archie. With the Super Bowl in the sun, the Goodrich group will be back in person. From

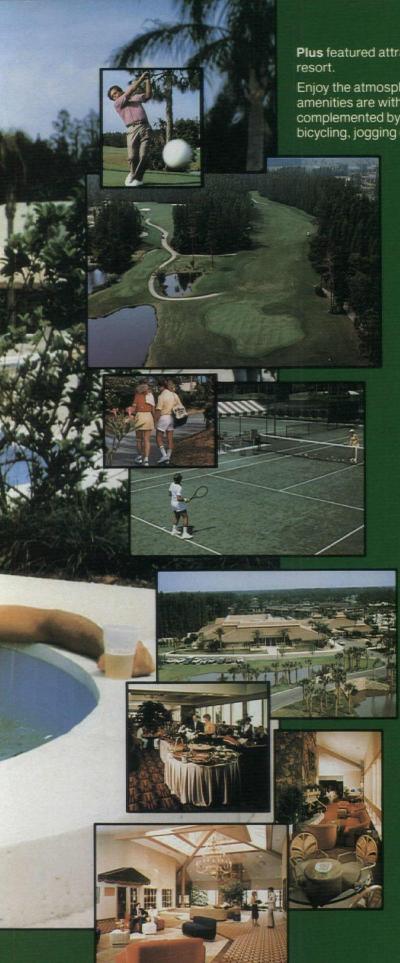
Thursday of Super Bowl week until Monday morning, they'll frolic at La Costa Country Club north of San Diego, where their hosts will include New Orleans quarterback Archie Manning (provided the Saints aren't in the Super Bowl) and golfer Ken Venturi. On Sunday morning, they'll board buses ("motor coaches," insists E. F. MacDonald Co., the incentive travel firm arranging the trip) for the 2-hour ride to the Rose Bowl. At Sunday brunch, Mr. Manning will preview the game in a "chalk talk."

For similar weekends at Pontiac, companies paid \$900 to \$1,500 a person. Goodrich's trip seems near the upper range.

At Los Angeles, more Super Bowl parties will be out in the open; outdoors, that is. Warner-Lambert Co. will resume its annual NFL-sanctioned golf tournament, staged primarily for some 90 media members but also featuring 45 celebrities and an equal number of leading customers, chiefly executives of supermarket chains and drug distributors.

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The sportswriters? In Detroit, Ford Motor Co. helped underwrite a Press Club media reception, but put a lid of \$4,500 on the shindig. One company official questioned even that: "What are a bunch of sportswriters going to do for Ford Motor?"

About customer good will, there is no argument. John P. Kelley, advertising vice president of Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., raves about the Super Bowl: "It's a big deal for us, the biggest of all sporting events because it's so national in nature. We do this [entertaining] as an adjunct to our advertising. It's great merchandising, a beautiful way to cement relationships with our dealers."

Goodyear was one of 23 firms which took advantage of advertising in Sports Illustrated's annual Super Bowl insert to secure game tickets

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along with hotel rooms. A one-page ad along with \$5,000 provided eight tickets plus four rooms at the Michigan Inn for a three-night weekend. Goodyear doubled that for its party headed by Executive Vice President Scott Buzby. The company picked up the travel costs for five top dealers or customers, and spouses, and entertained them in grand style.

Space Invaders. As host TV network, CBS was one of the more conspicuous party-tossers at Detroit. Among other festivities, it staged a "Super Bowl Tailgate Party" for NFL owners and a "select list of important advertisers and agency people" Saturday night. Since it was frigid outside, the "tailgate" was the Westin, "host hotel" for the NFL. All but 200 of its 1,400 rooms had been allocated to the league when Detroit was awarded the game several years ago.

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floor of the Westin featured the usual drinks and hors d'oeuvres-and one room packed with electronic games. Network execs and sponsors (and spouses) played game after game of "Space Invaders," etc.-all on the house. On Sunday, CBS chartered an eight-car special train for the trek to the Silverdome, 40 miles north of Detroit.

The Pontchartrain Hotel also was the scene of considerable entertaining. Even financially ailing International Harvester Co. put on a party face. It occupied about 15 rooms and entertained key truck dealers.

Chrysler Corp., which blocked off 25 rooms at the Pontchartrain, staged some of the biggest parties. No company function matches the NFL commissioner's annual extravaganza, which was held at the Fairlane Club for-as they josh-"3,000 of Pete Rozelle's closest friends." But Chrysler did buy out Joe Louis Arena for an evening and raffled off the 19,000 tickets to its employees, who were entertained by company pitchman Bill Cosby. The company also hosted a VIP party there for some 50 couples, chiefly state and government officials. And it tossed a reception and dinner Saturday night at the Westin.

Chicago

Chrysler's loudest splash came Thursday night at the popular Roostertail Club when it picked up part of the tab for a private party for some 600 clients and friends. Ricardo Montalban was the main attraction. The magic moment came when a silver curtain parted and, behind swirls of smoke and a dozen long-legged models, the actor, dressed basically in black, drove a gleaming white LeBaron convertible onto the stage.

'This car is like a fantasy, but it's really not. It's attainable," said "Mr. Roarke" of TV. "That's why, instead of wearing all white and a dark tie, as I do on 'Fantasy Island,' tonight I wear just the opposite, to show that it's not fantasy." Gerry Greenwald, Chrysler vice chairman, beamed.

Ford and GM weren't nearly as prominent. "When we were in [Super Bowl entertaining] real big, we did it as well as anybody," one Ford official remarked. "But we're in a very tough market." Ford did conduct a sales contest in its Detroit district, dispensing 100 Super Bowl tickets to its top 50 dealers.

GM's Buick Div. brought 16 dealers and district managers to town and put them up for a couple of nights at the Flint Hyatt Regency before taking



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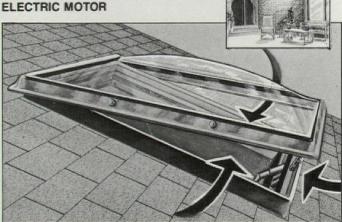
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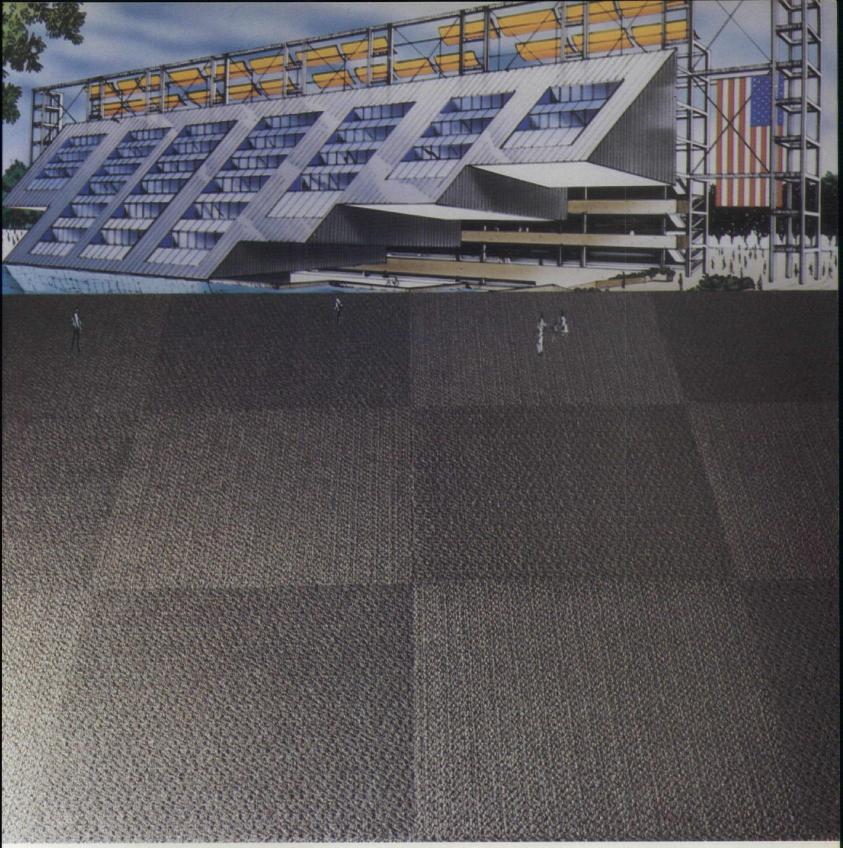
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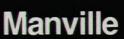
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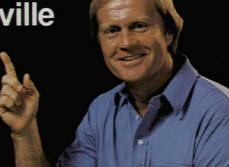
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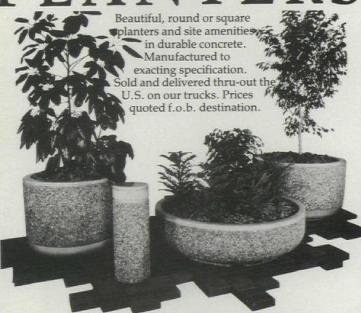
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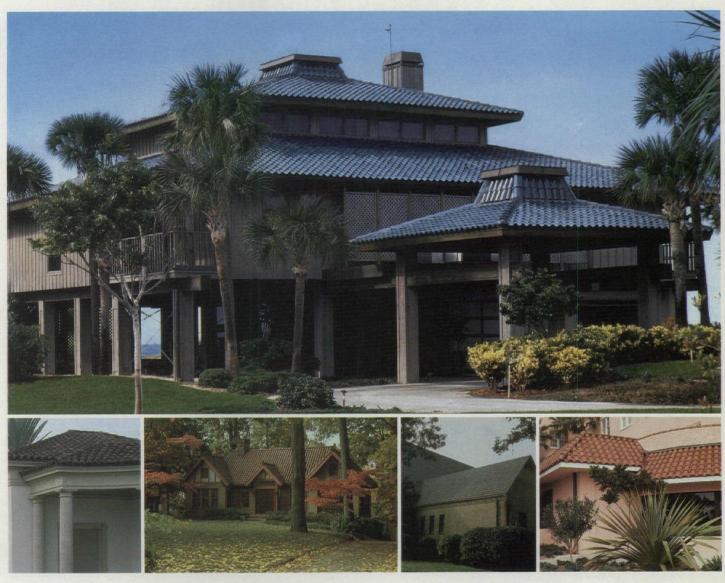


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