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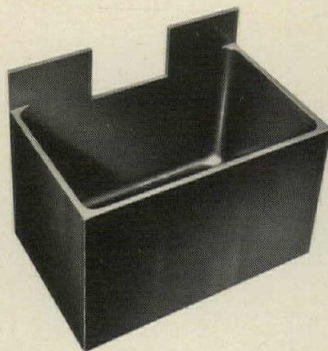



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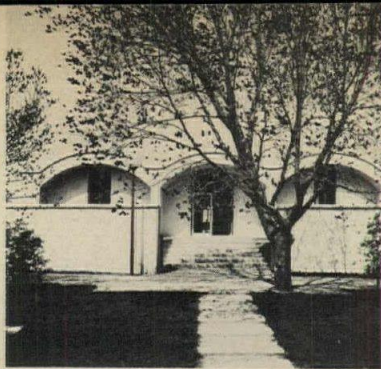
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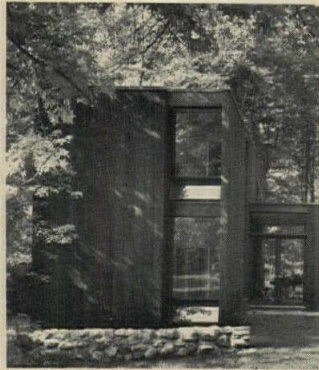
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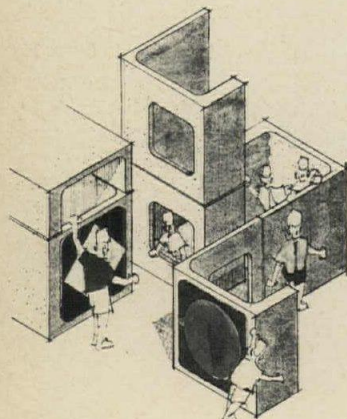
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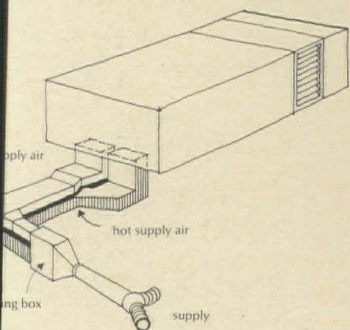
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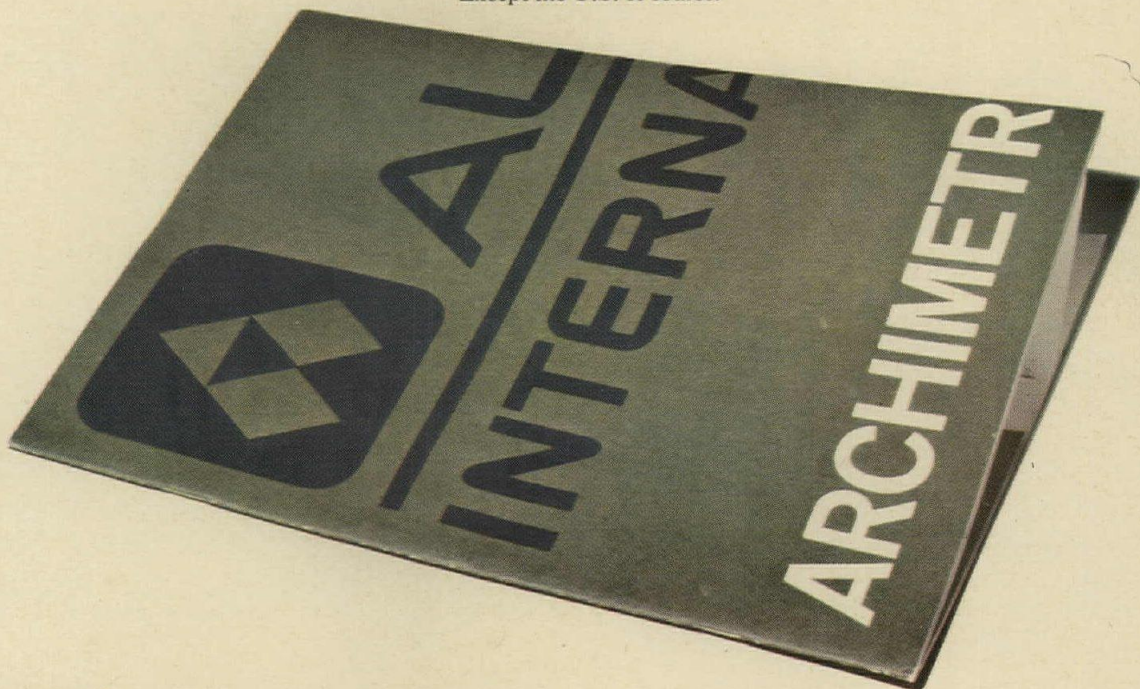
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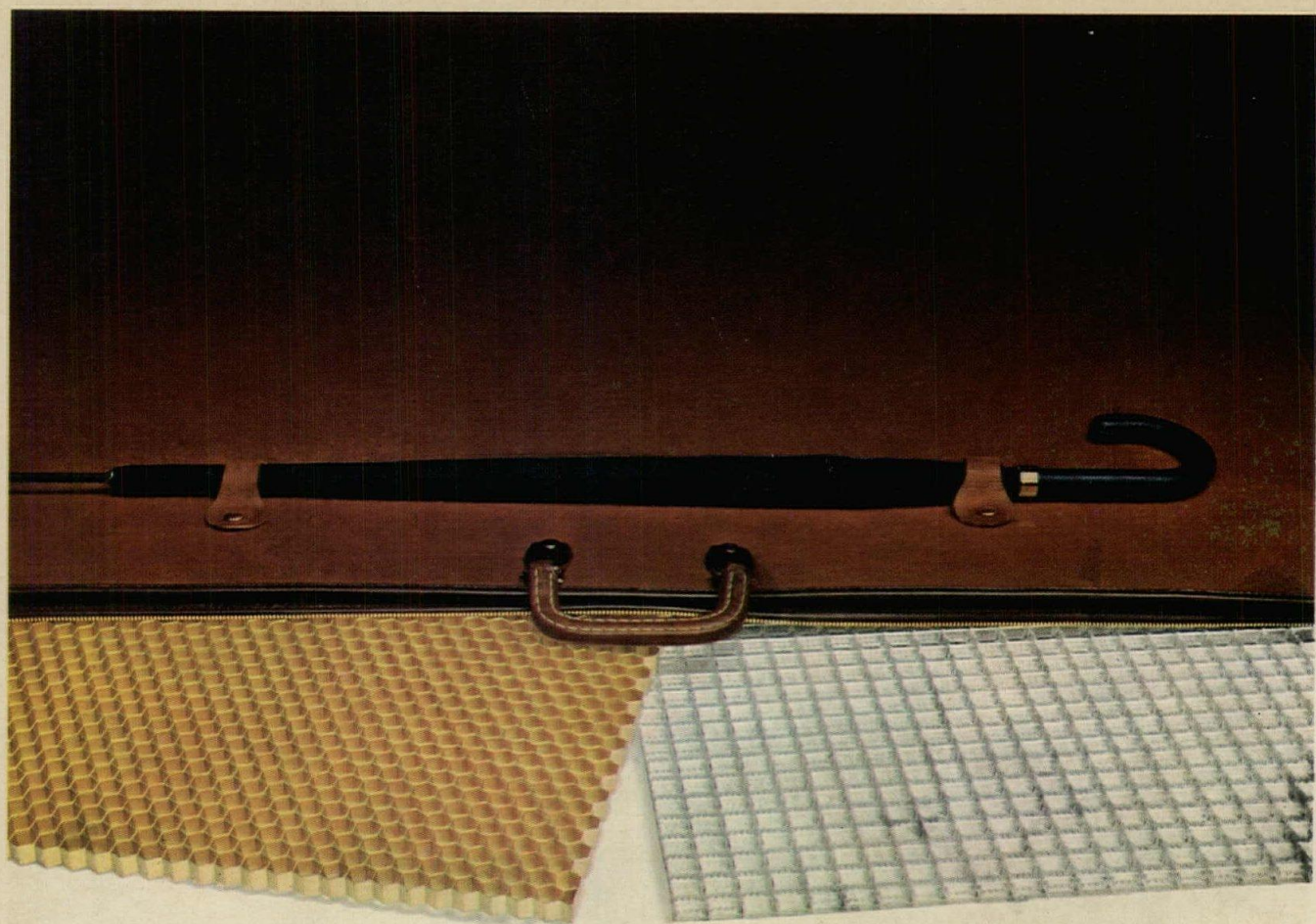
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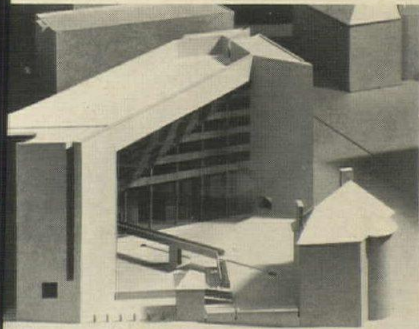
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OR ONCE I'LL GIVE IN AND INDULGE IN CRITICISM

As an observer has made it a habit to keep himself some thoughts about certain building designs; I have in fact announced a conviction that too negative criticism damages not only the building in question, but also the architectural cause. In this case, however—this case is the proposed new headquarters building of the American Institute of Architects—we have to feel that criticism is demanded, and that, since in a way it is the fraternity of a body which has perpetrated this design, they have asked for it.

They got it, the other day, from the Fine Arts Commission of Washington, D.C., which rejected the scheme for the building. At the moment, one presumes, there is confusion around the Octagon, for the Commission has the power to prevent its construction, and the Commission left little hope for compromise by modification of the design. It said the building was "too domineering and out of keeping with the feeling of Octagon House." And: "The whole concept is basically wrong, and there is little they could do to alter the basic design."

I certainly agree that the design would be domineering, and perhaps that's enough to say. But it's a bit ambiguous. The building, if constructed, would dominate the site, and tower over the little Octagon Building. It might also be considered to be domineering as an architectural precept, or concept, and there are plenty of good architects today who would question this idea of architectural objectives. A *tour de force* is

always a temptation, but it is not always good architecture.

As most readers know, the design, the work of Mitchell and Giurgola, won a nationwide A.I.A. competition for the new office building and was later revised. So architects themselves are the clients; they wrote the program; they chose the jurors; and they are bound to carry on according to competition rules. It would be my thought that any criticism of this design should be widely distributed. Any entrant naturally tries to assess the purposes and preferences of the client and the jury; it was plain in this instance that the idea was to make it a stage setting for the Octagon. And the jury is responsible for picking a winning design; they opted for "domineering."

But the nice little Octagon is no subject for such glaring attention. It is a small, mild-mannered, modest little building. It has important historical claims, but it would not be so bold as to claim architectural achievement. So that mammoth glass monster that would be behind it should surely embarrass the little thing, and such glaring attention would focus on history, not architecture.

Shouldn't a nice little old lady have, as an escort, somebody equally modest and well-mannered? Wouldn't the escort try to enhance her style, her mannerisms? Wouldn't he, in fact, dress modestly and let the old girl have what dignity she could manage?

The new building design seems to do everything glaringly inappropriately.

It would tower over the little building; it would steal the show with its own *tour de force*. And in fact sort of laugh at the building it was supposed to revere.

Not to mention the fact that all this glare would focus on the little old lady's posterior. That particular little old lady has a posterior no more attractive than any other lady's or any show girl's. Would the famous topless gals of Paris's Lido like always to face the rear of the stage, and have the spotlights on their backs?

Henry Saylor, long editor of the A.I.A. Journal, spent a lot of years developing a nice garden setting behind the Octagon, including some rather large flowering trees. Visitors to the present A.I.A. office building, behind the Octagon, may not realize how that garden contributes to the charm of the old building, and to the receptions staged within.

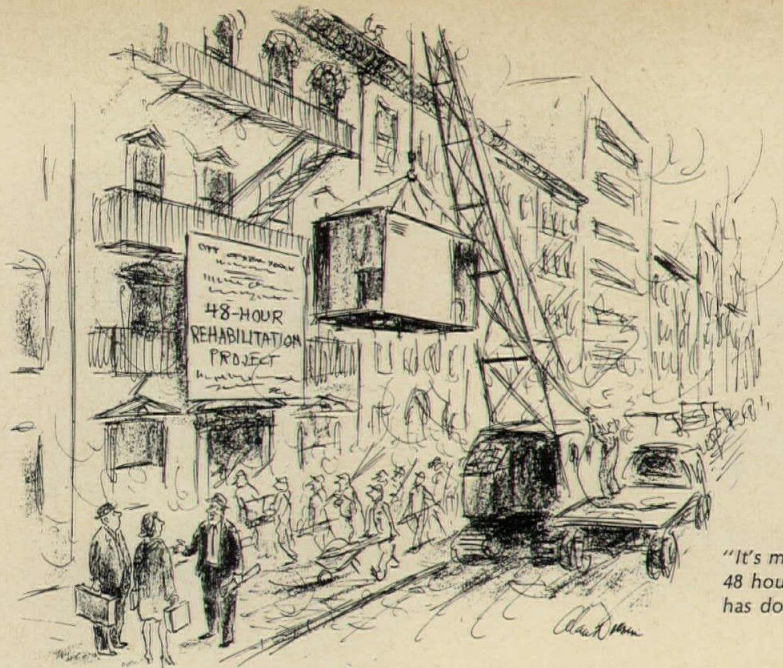
But obviously the new building would mean removing the graceful garden, leaving an unseemly rear fully exposed. Thus its inhabitants, who would be supposed to bow low each time they get near the glass front, would be looking at a bare and unbeauteous scene.

And think of the torture they would suffer in a tortured building. One look at the model shows how the functions of an office building have been sacrificed for this wall of glass. There are no other windows, and spaces would have to be staggered around the center.

More to the point, however, is the fact that strong architectural thought is turning ever more insistently toward making new buildings settle in comfortably and peaceably with their neighbors.

Can anybody point to any corresponding attributes of that prize winner? Or is anybody ready to argue that that proposed building would do any good for the profession of architecture?

—Emerson Goble



"It's marvelous—you come back in 48 hours and find the rent has doubled!"

Architect as contractor? Horrible thought dept.

Of course it is not a new thought that the architect might consider taking on the duties of the contractor, even if the architectural standards frown on such a mixing of responsibilities. But at the recent A.I.A. convention I listened with considerable interest to an architect friend who bent my ear on this theme. He was not making a positive statement that the architect should reach for this role; he was just running over the considerations.

I shall not put them all down here, but rather summarize them in the thought that the architect is now charged with so many responsibilities for matters he cannot control, that in self-defense he might have to act. He does not control the actions or policies of the general contractor; nor those of any subs. His actual control of labor, costs, deliveries, and so on is rather nebulous. Yet to the client it is the architect who disappoints him when the building is delayed, the costs run too high, the workmanship or materials are faulty. Legal decisions these days are frightening architects with charges of responsibility, when the architect has a natural tendency to think of himself as an adviser to the owner, not a contractor.

The trouble is that clients are not content with advice. They want a building, on time, on cost budget, on specified functional considerations. These are what the "package dealer" offers to the client.

Esthetics? Who knows about esthetics? How many clients (say, building committees) can stand up in front of the board of directors and argue that the architect was right, even though the building cost too much, or came in much behind schedule? What building committee can argue that quality was the factor,

that the architect was protecting their interests; as was his obligation.

I am told that manufacturers of most items these days have committees of experts studying ways of cutting costs. As for myself, I should like to have paid \$10 more for my car than the \$100 it cost me one day because the radiator was under-designed.

Some of these responsibilities are needing to be re-thought.

Any one for bridge? Sounds profitable

Alan Truscott, bridge writer for the New York Times, had something to say about what types of people make good bridge players. He mentioned actors, accountants, authors, bankers, dentists and doctors, engineers, and others, with an especially strong mention of lawyers. Then:

"Architects and artists are conspicuously absent from the list, suggesting that three-dimensional visualization is quite different from the mental pictures of the unseen cards that the expert must conjure up during the play of the hands."

It looks like architects should avoid bridge games with lawyers. Or, to my way of thinking, it would be simpler just to avoid lawyers.

Architects learn to draw, but what about thinking?

That canard (this page) about architects not being good bridge players (really, you know, the man didn't mention how busy architects are these days) does suggest, however, a recent remark by an architect. He also was mentioning architects' training in drawing, but he didn't give it the usual charge.

It is a familiar remark that architects

are trained to draw, but not to write. Lament was worse: "Architects trained to draw, but not to think."

Not to think. Well, I think I could lose him in semantics. What is thinking anyway? Architects are, as the bridge writer said, trained in three-dimensional visualization. No thinking in that? What do you mean by "thinking"? Analytically. Lawyers would be trained to analyze words, or perhaps abstractions stated in words. Engineers analyze numerical matters; doctors, medical troubles. Do architects analyze anything?

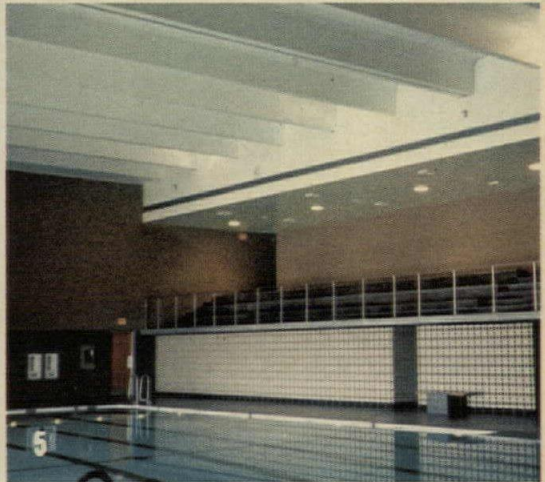
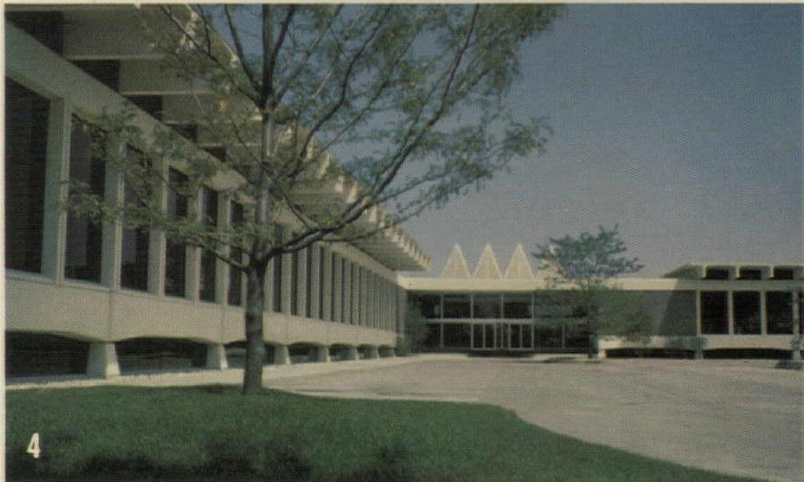
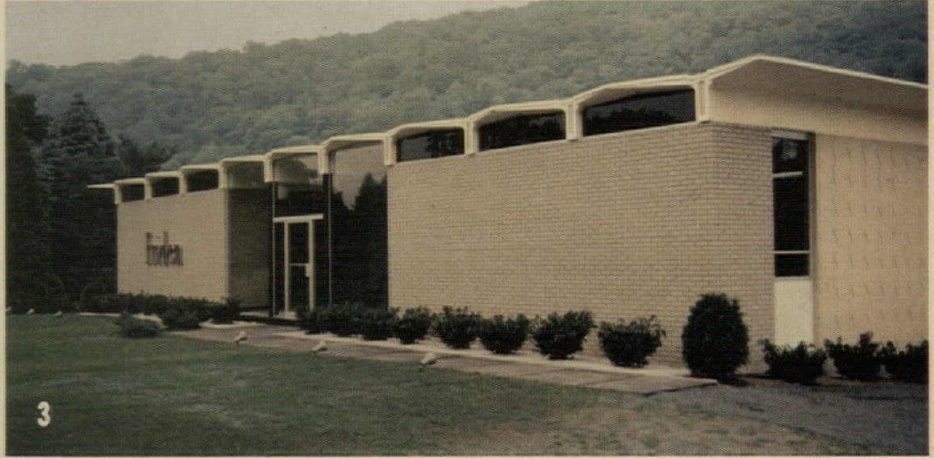
Ah, and what about creating? What do lawyers create? Doctors? Accountants? Bankers?

"Trained to draw, but not to think." That might be changed to "Trained to draw, in order to encourage creative thinking."

The A.I.A. building again and its neighborliness

That attack (previous page) on the premature design for the new A.I.A. headquarters building considered it only in the light of its neighborliness to the old Octagon Building. But when the Fine Arts Commission of Washington rejected the design, what the Commission had in mind no doubt was the effect of so "domineering" a design on the surrounding city.

I can't drop my own charge without questioning whether, in this respect, the architectural fraternity ought to be more concerned than it seems to be. If it is too overpowering, too arrogant, to settle down quietly behind the Octagon, isn't it also too injudicious a venture to perpetrate on the city of Washington? Isn't it a rather daring statement for the official architectural group to make? —E.C.



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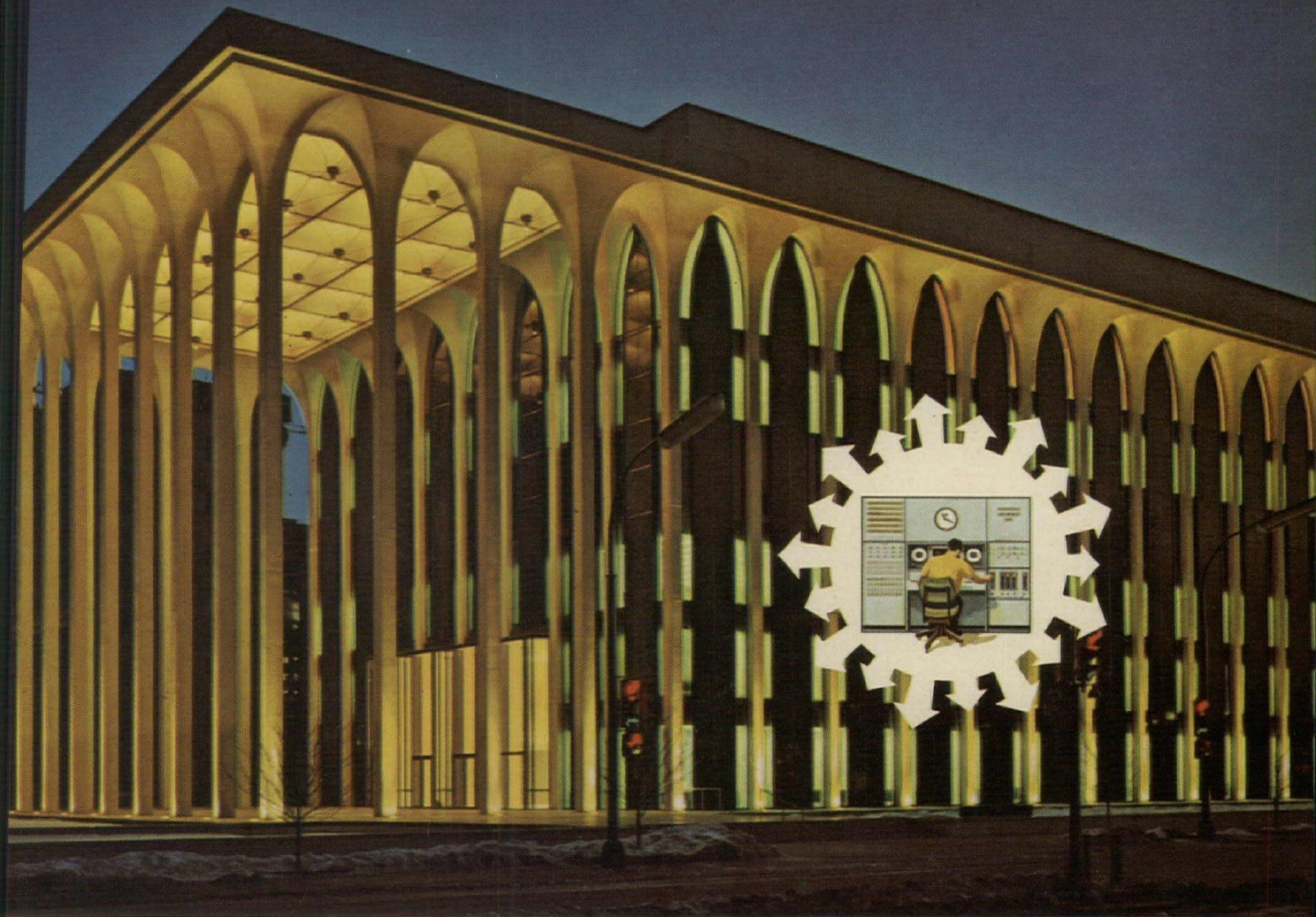
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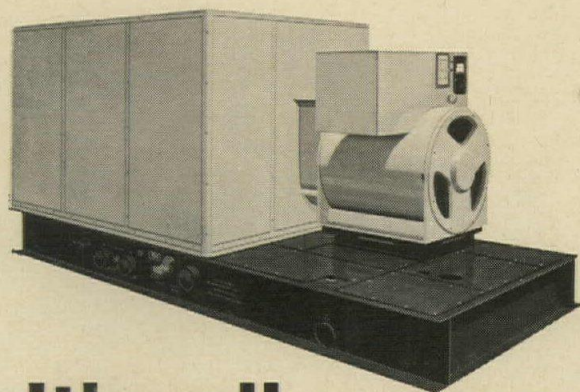


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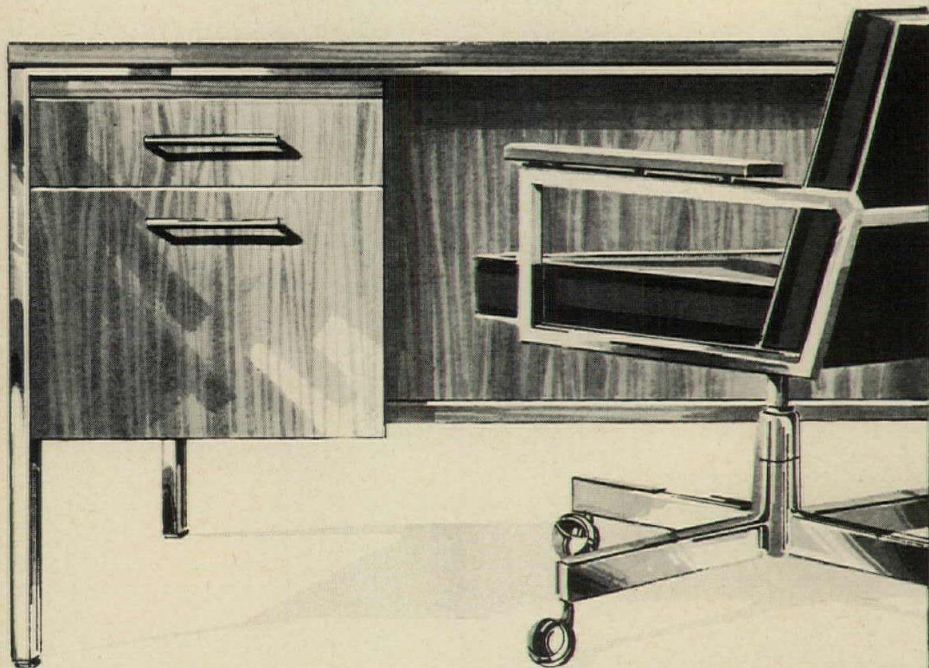
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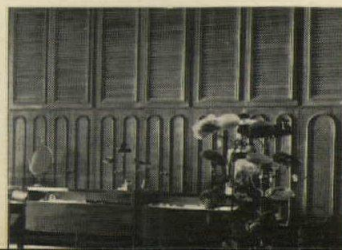
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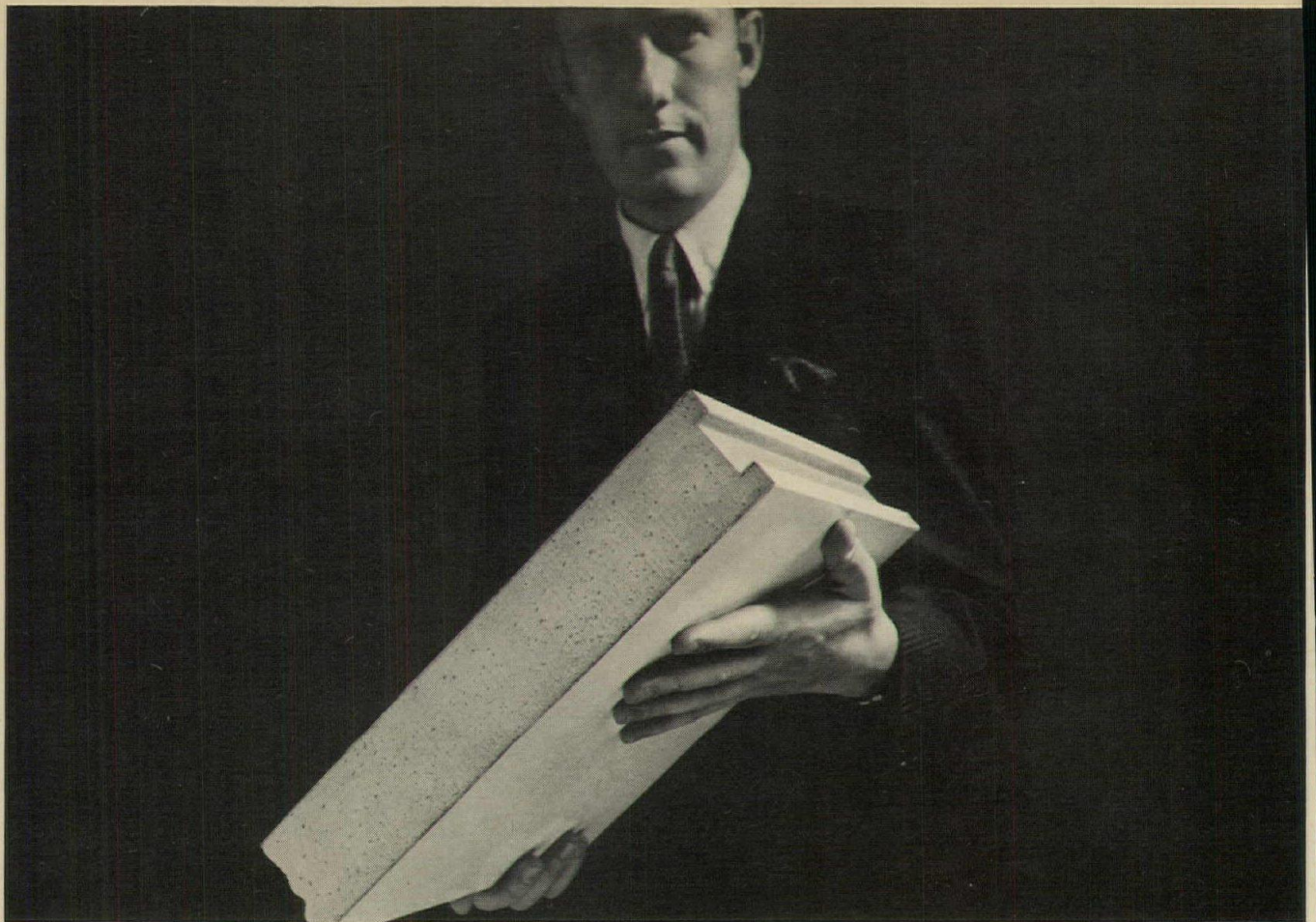
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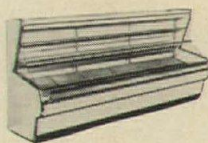
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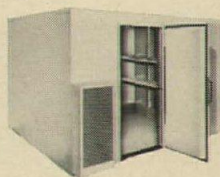


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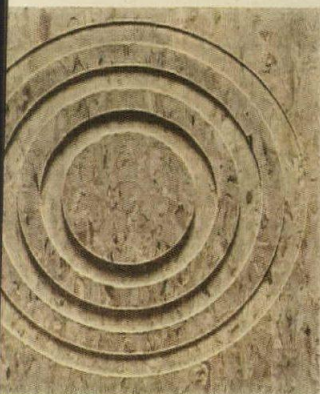
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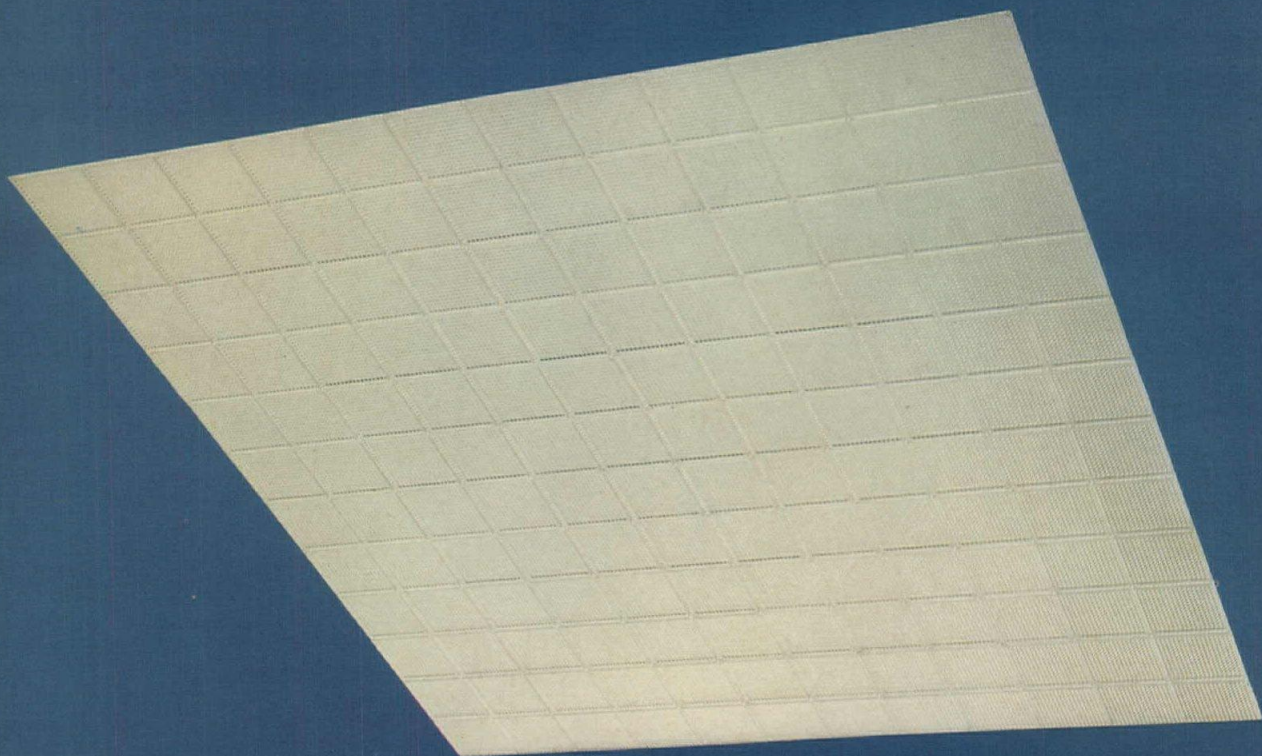
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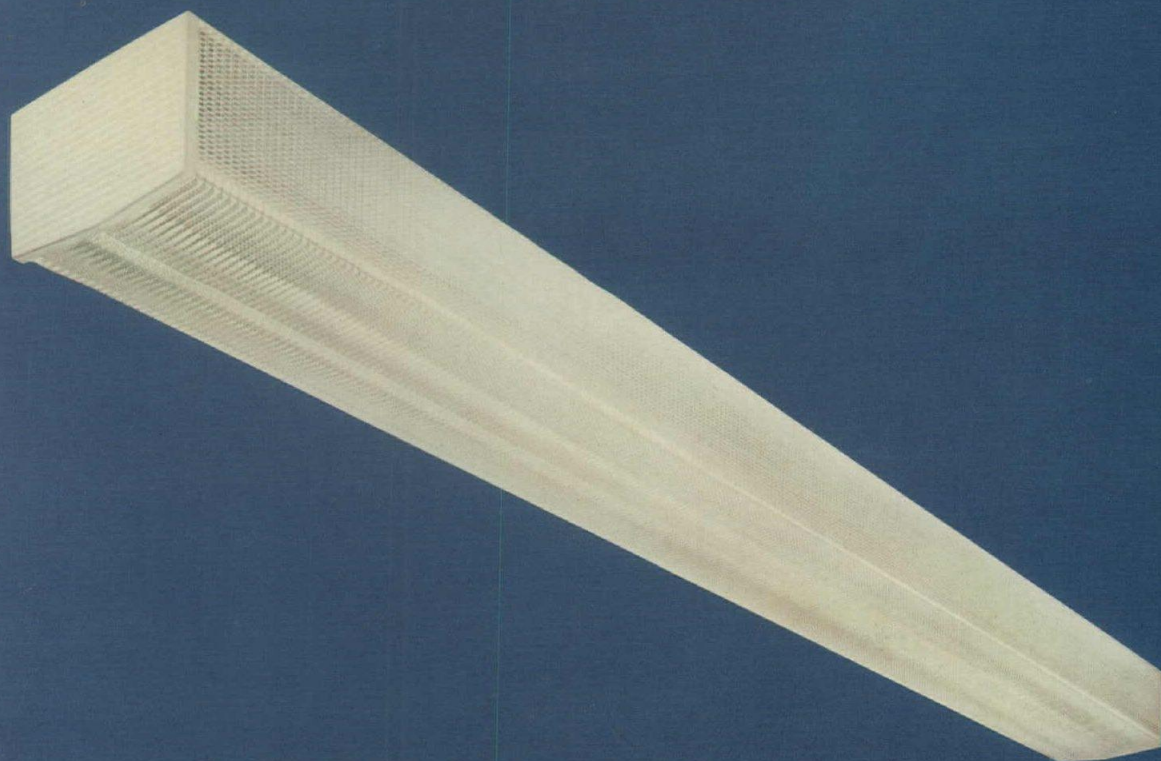
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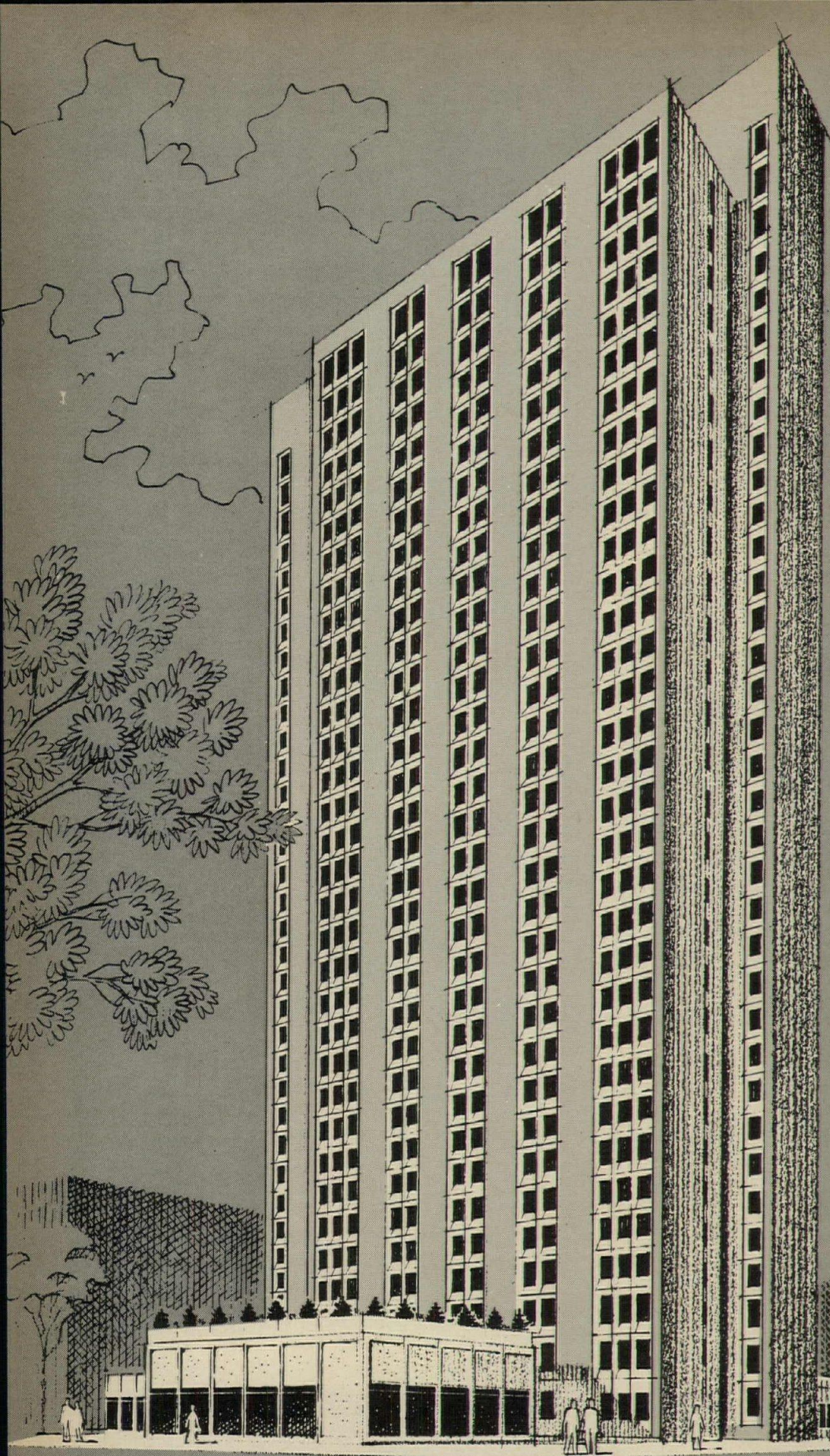
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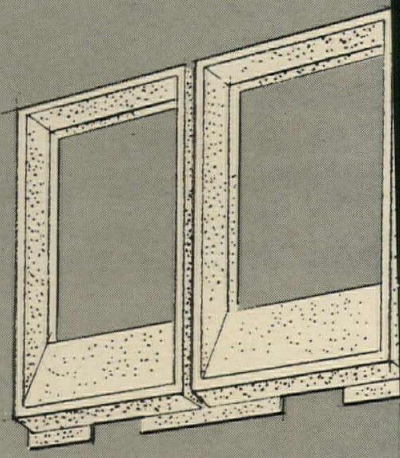
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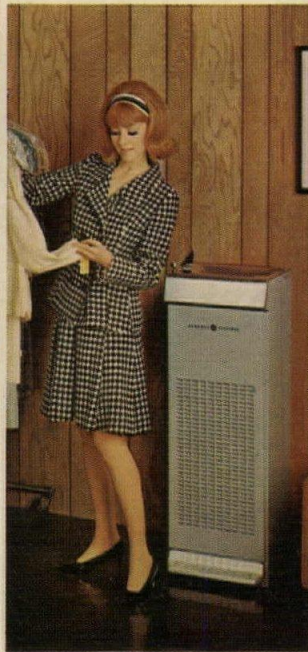
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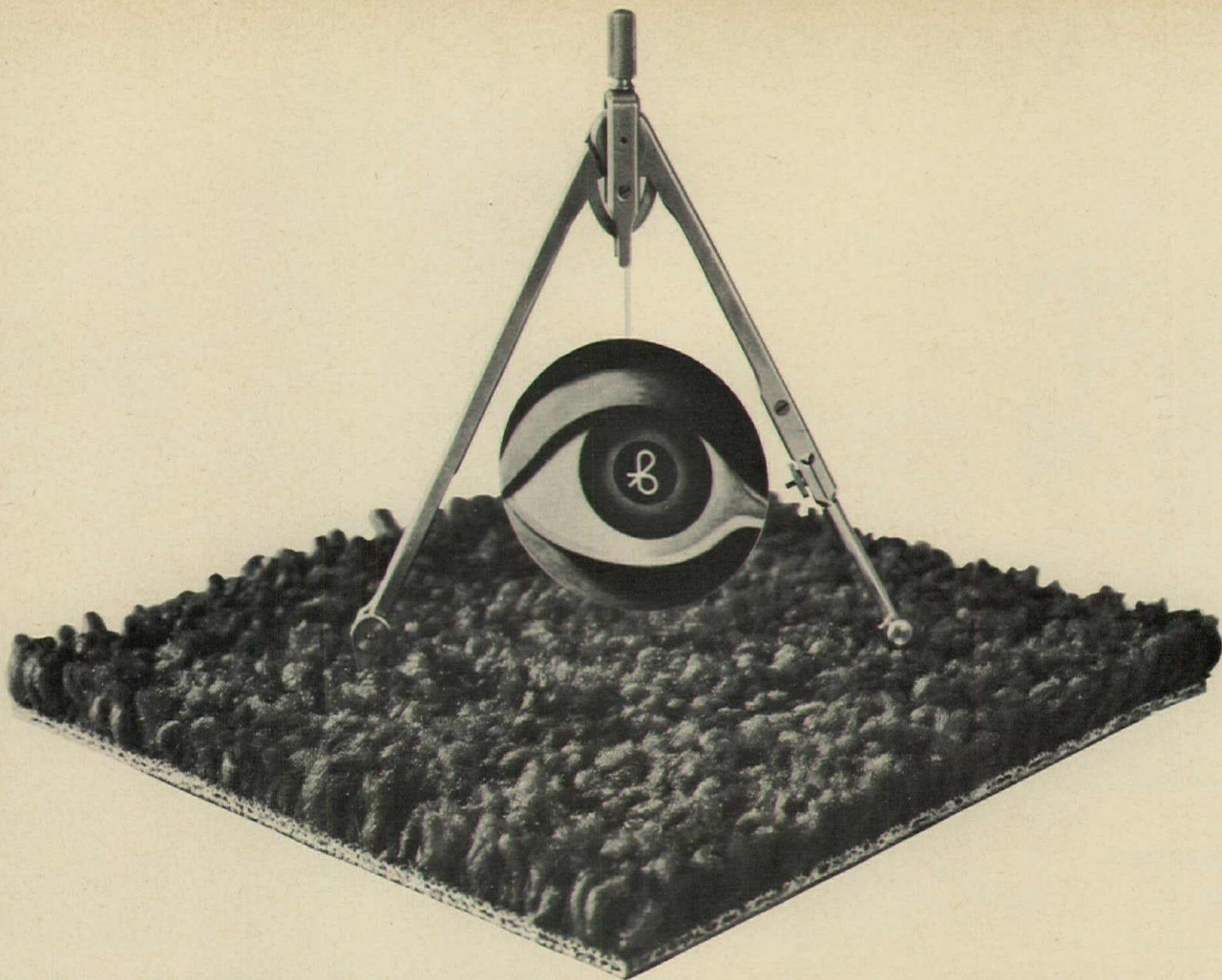
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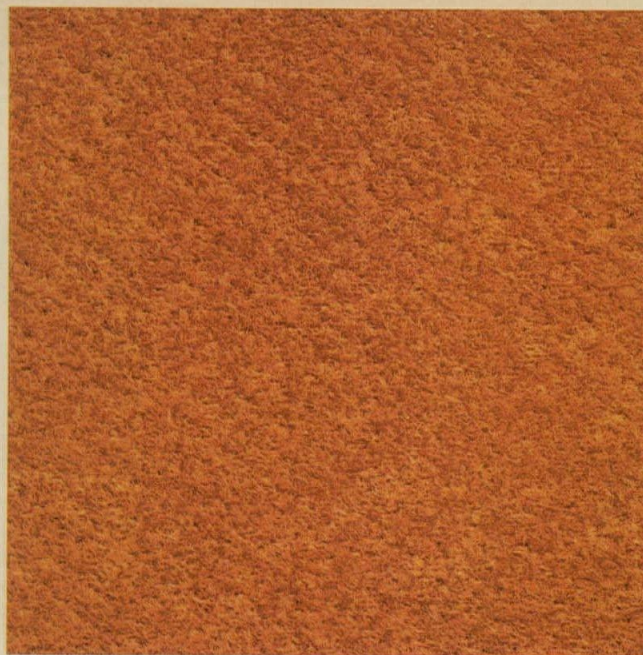
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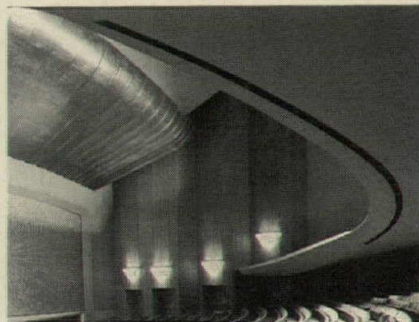
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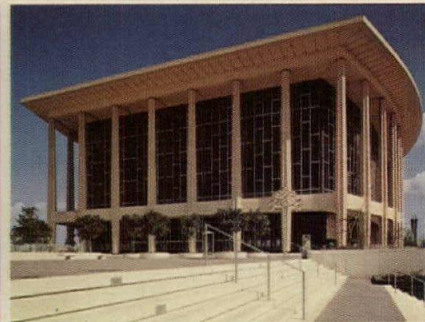
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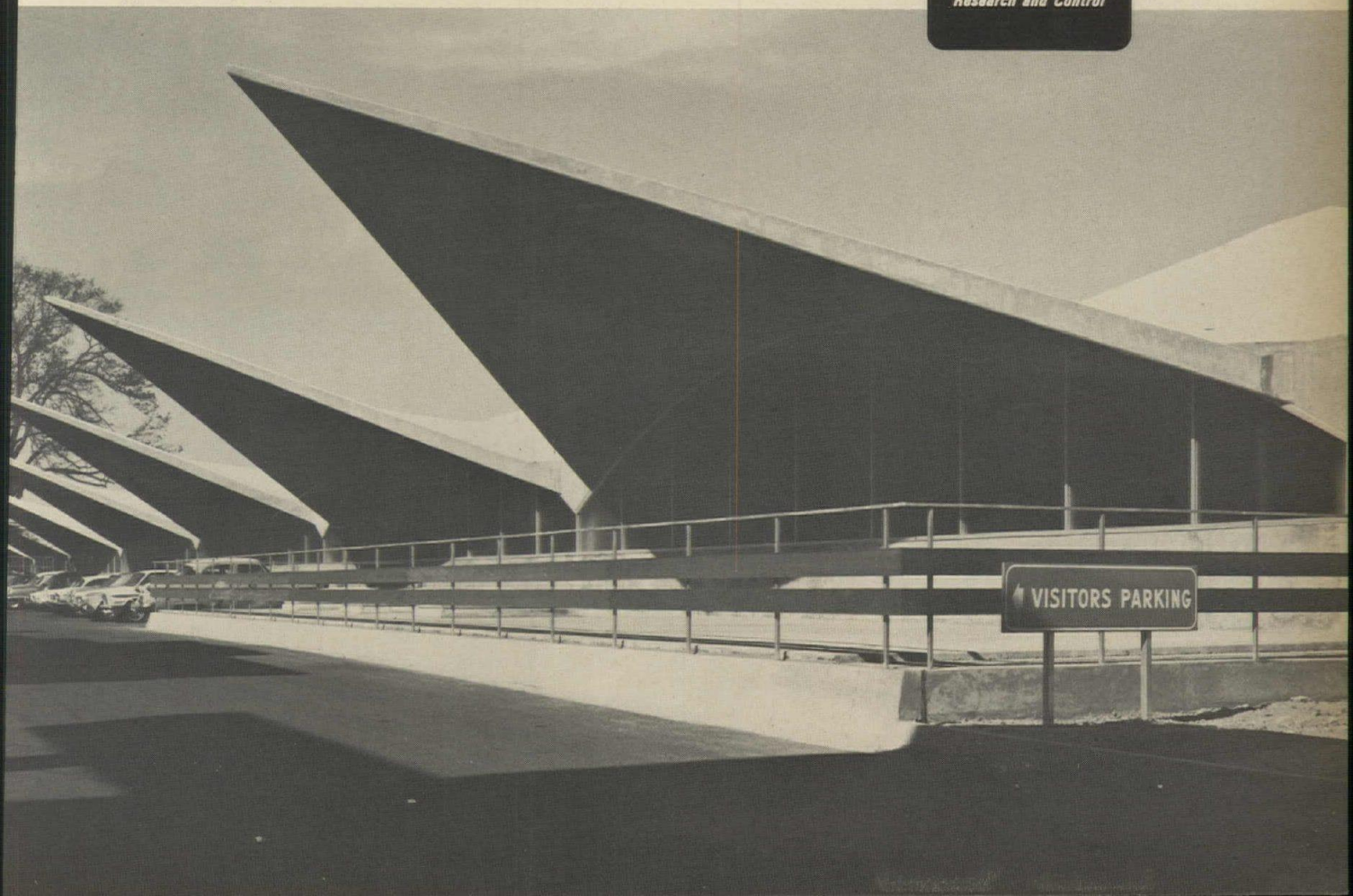
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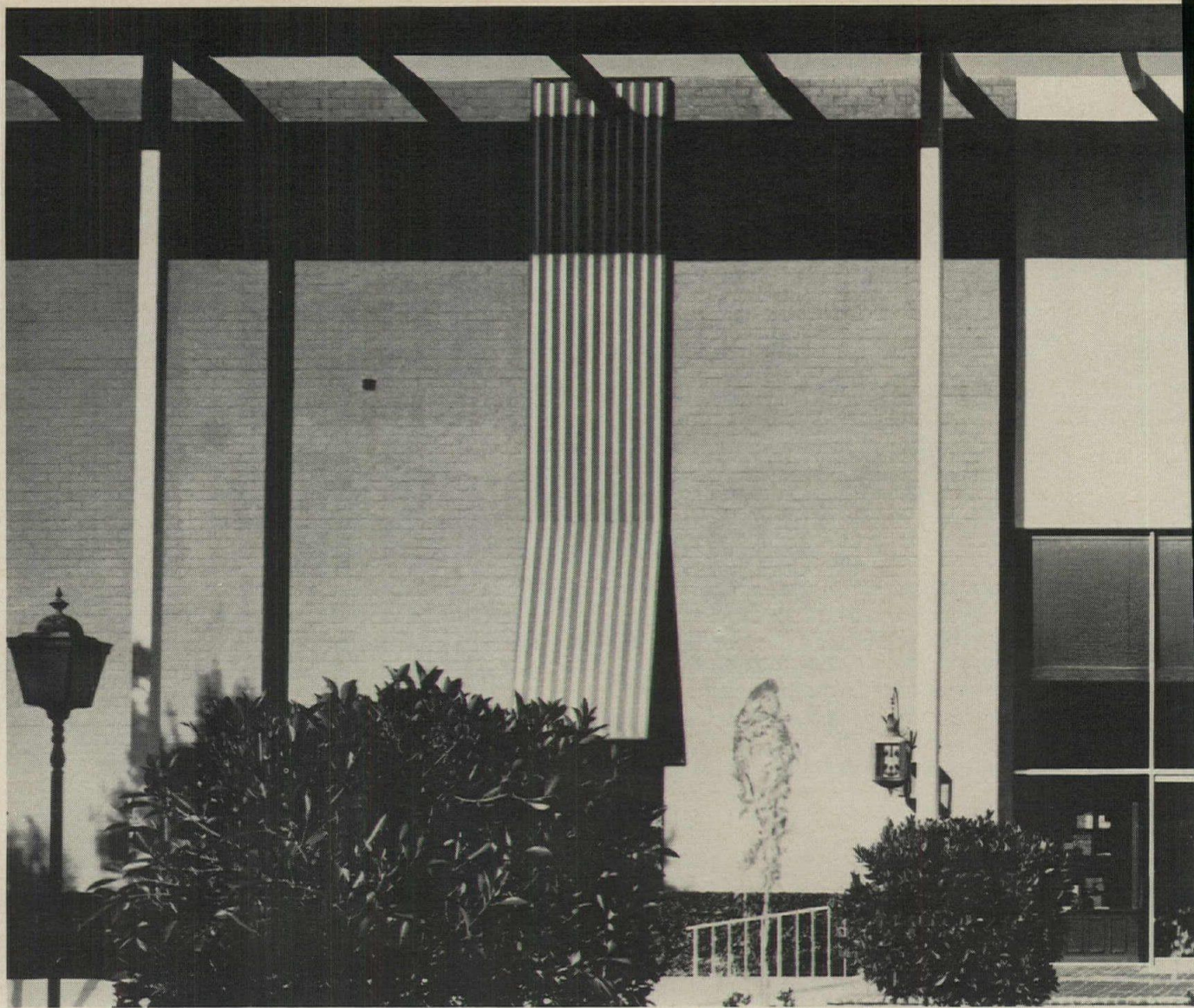


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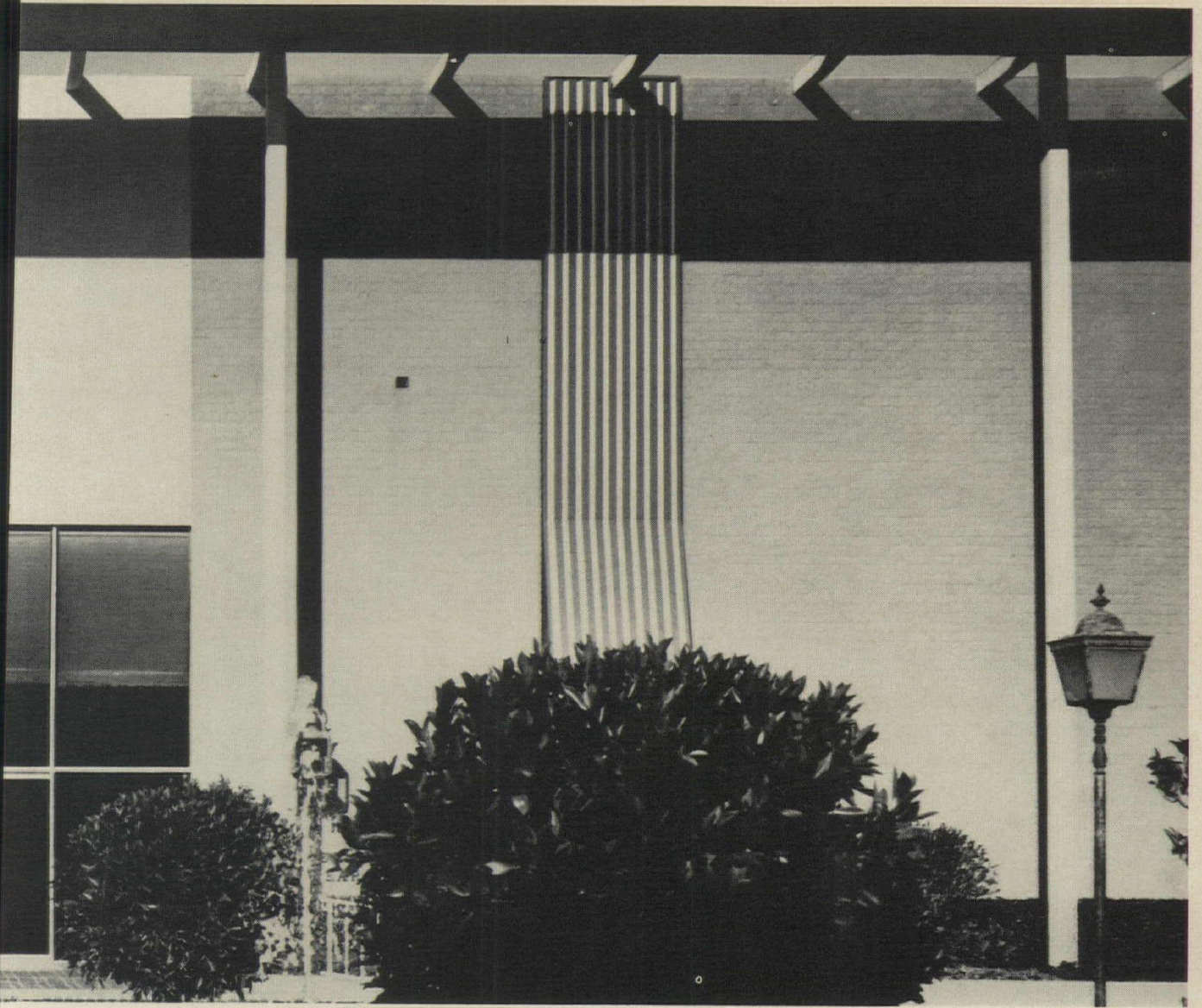
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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Two-story building
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ELECTRIC LOAD

Connected Lighting and Miscellaneous Load—600 KW
Electric Air Conditioning (125 Tons—3 Units)—160 KW
Electric Supplementary Heating—92 KW
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INSTALLED COSTS

Air Conditioning System—\$1.25 sq. ft.
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OPERATING COSTS

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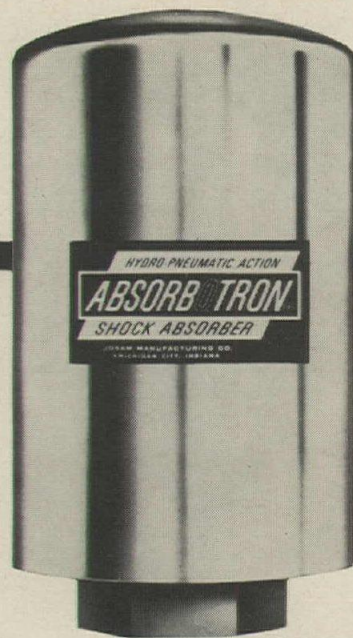
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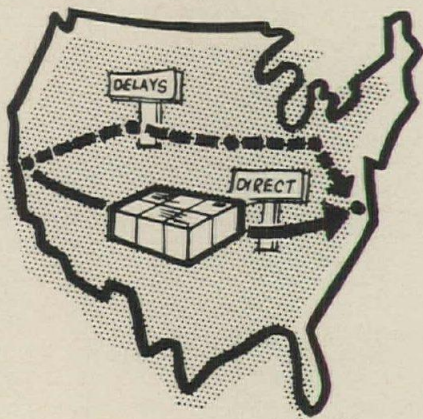
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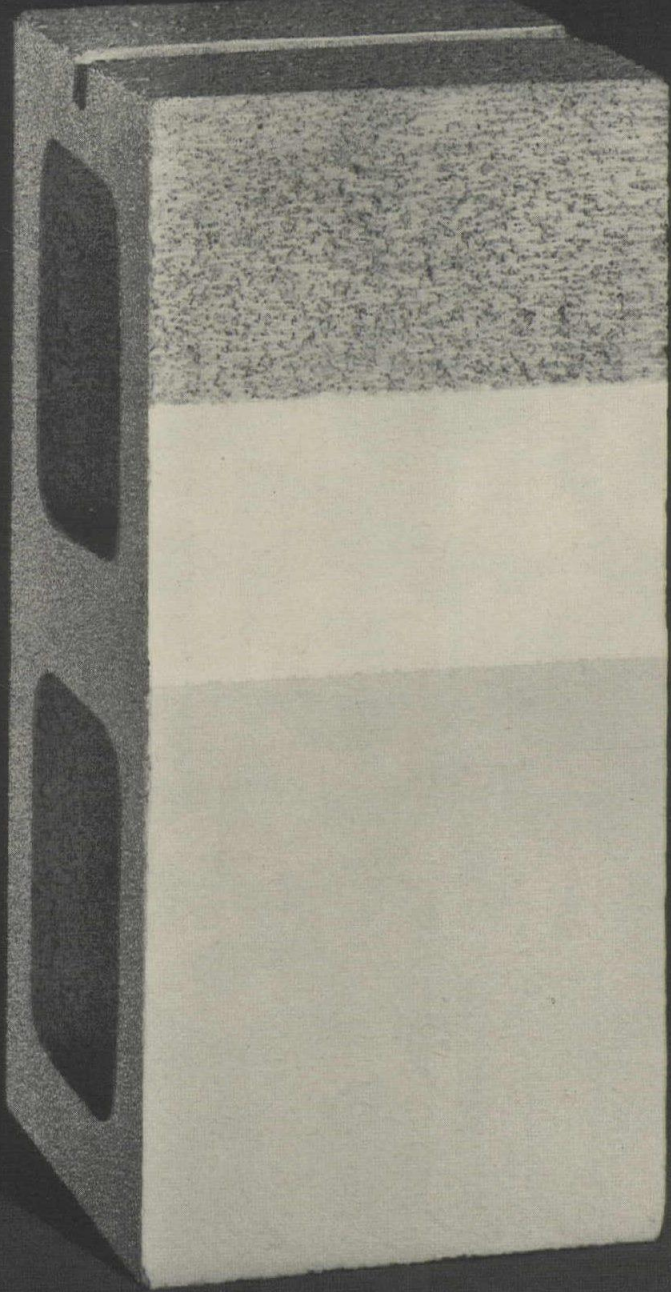
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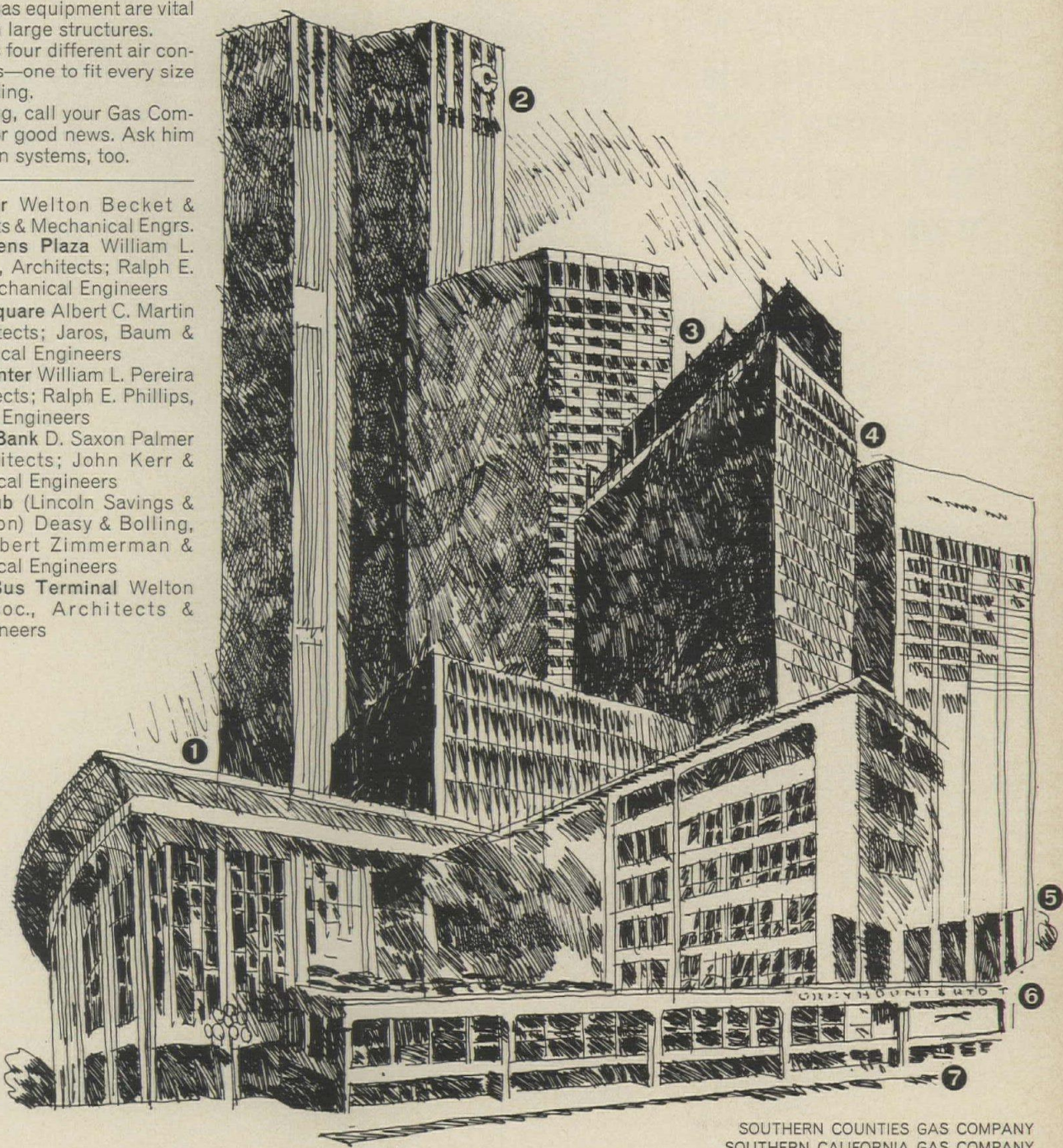


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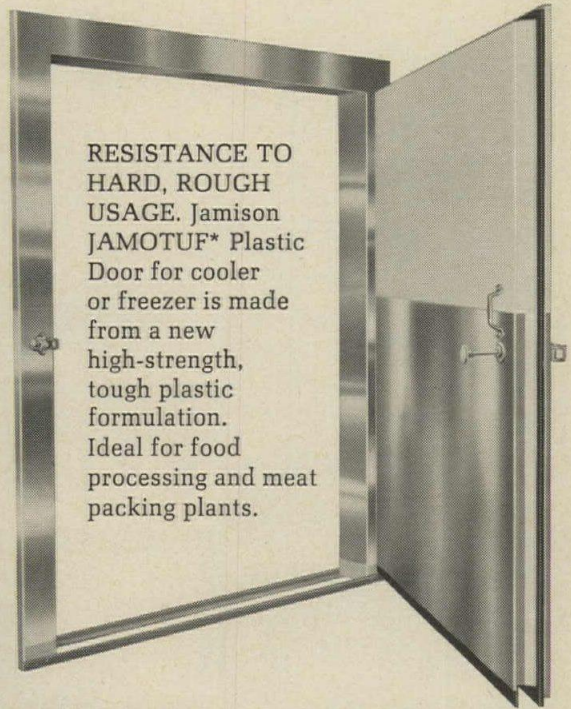
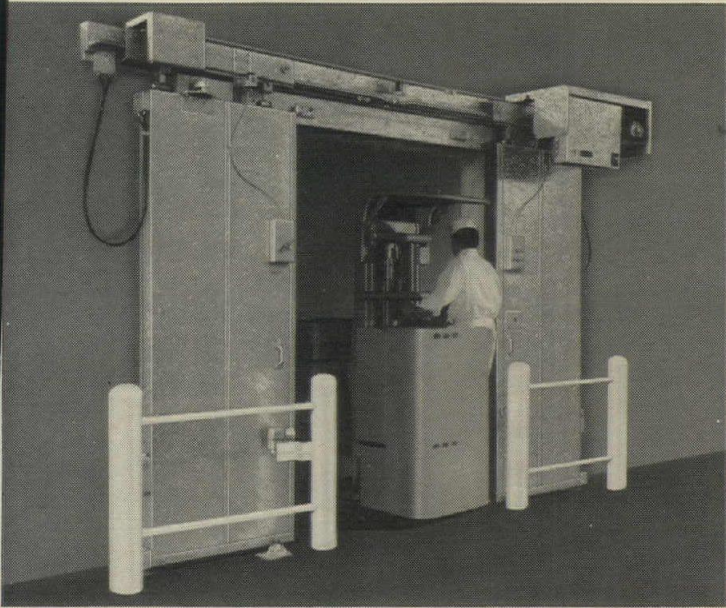
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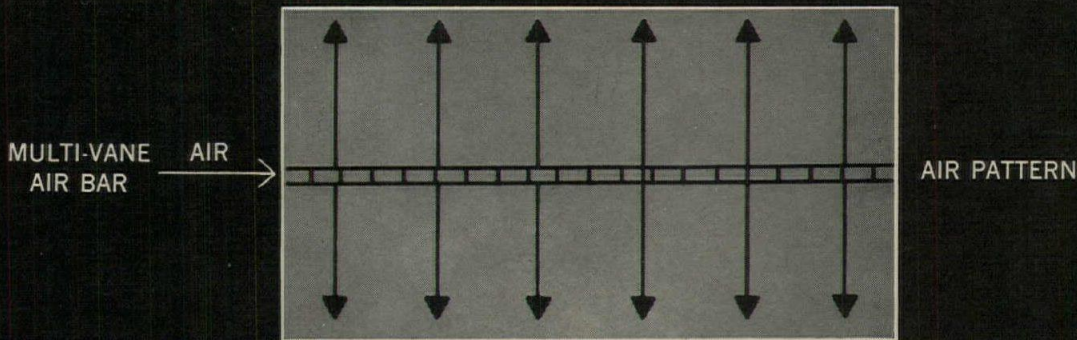
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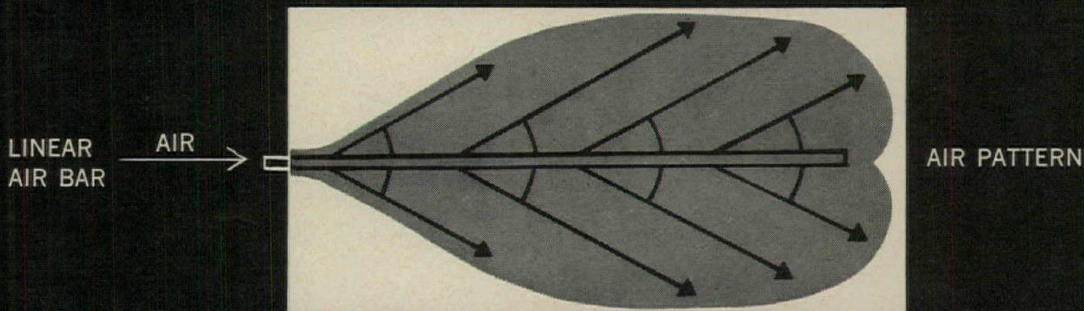
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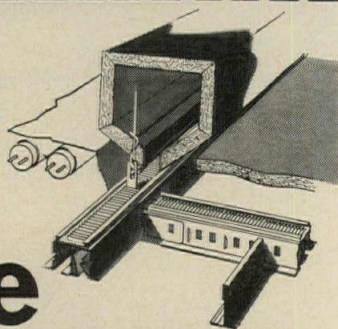


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Architect proposes city core of 326 units to be built on pontoons over water rights

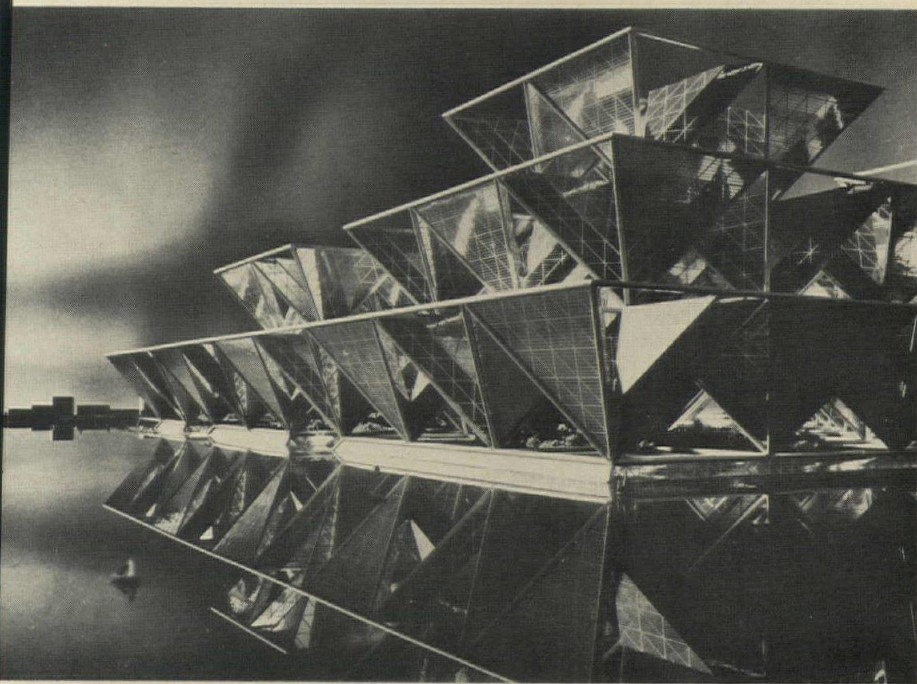
City Shape/21, an "urban matrix" of multiple aluminum and glass units intended to extend from and expand upon the existing core of the city, has been conceived and designed by Chicago architect Stanley Tigerman and introduced by Reynolds Metals Company. The basic form of the matrix, which would be built over water using a system of pontoons which the entire structural system is supported, is shaped like a truncated tet-

rahedral pyramid, or pentahedron, and is repeated 326 times in a pinwheel arrangement. Each unit is 600 feet on a side and 100 feet thick and is divided into 46 floors with the units being segmented into residential, commercial and communal functions. The units are connected by hollow trusses which serve as an integral transportation system and distribution network for utilities.

The pontoons, on which the com-

plex would be supported, would be stabilized by anchored cables. The pontoons would vary in area from 360,000 square feet to 3,240,000 square feet each for a total area of 17,640,000 square feet of essentially open space. The complex would provide nearly 23 million square feet for residential application, over 82 million square feet for commercial use and nearly 106 million square feet for communal functions such as entertainment, educational, sports, civic and governmental use. City Shape/21 would require an area of about one and one half square miles, expanding the average city core by about 100 per cent without destroying the desirable water edge, since, says Mr. Tigerman, "the matrix would be located a sufficient distance from the shore to preserve esthetic and recreation values of the edge."

Although the project is solely conceptual, Mr. Tigerman has made a complete technological and structural qualitative study with structural engineers and technical consultants. "This study was made," said Mr. Tigerman, "using the existing properties of aluminum such as bending moments, deflection, modulus of elasticity and coefficient of expansion. From these data we have concluded that City Shape/21 can be constructed from existing materials either available now or which can be fabricated using existing equipment."



Continuing education series will be presented in six cities

A series of seminars for architects and engineers on "Developments in Architectural Technologies," presented last year in New York and Cambridge, Massachusetts, as part of the Cambridge acoustical consulting firm of Bolt Beranek and Newman's program of Continuing Education in Architecture, will be repeated in six cities in 1967-68. The series, which will consist of five day-long seminars on the topics of acoustics, mechanical systems, lighting, structures, and computers, will be given by outstanding lecturers from universities and from leading consulting and research groups. The series

will be offered in Cambridge, New York, Washington, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco for one day each month for five months (usually on Saturday). The \$325 tuition for the series includes lunches and seminar literature. A second series, "Developments in Architectural Materials," is now in preparation.

Fletcher named to head public housing program

Thomas W. Fletcher, formerly city manager of San Diego, has been put in charge of the public housing program with his appointment as deputy assistant secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Marie McGuire,

commissioner of the Public Housing Administration in the old Housing and Home Finance Agency, will remain with HUD as a special assistant on problems of the elderly and handicapped.

Grant by architectural firm enables educators to travel

A grant established by the Omaha-based architectural firm, Leo A. Daly Company, will permit faculty members of the School of Architecture at the University of Nebraska to visit geographical areas related to their teaching. The new grant is a revision of the former Daly Scholarship Fund which has provided an annual \$2,000 four-year undergraduate scholar-

ship since 1956. Under terms of the new fund are one travel grant each year for a third-year student as well as a faculty grant, probably to be awarded every third year. The first recipient of the faculty grant is Ronald E. Hess, assistant professor of architecture, who is spending this summer visiting Egypt, Jerusalem, Lebanon, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey, Crete and countries in Southern Europe.



August F. Hoenack cited for excellence in hospital design

August F. Hoenack, chief of the Architectural, Engineering and Equipment Branch of the Division of Hospital and Medical Facilities, Public Health Service, has been presented the Superior Service award of the United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Mr. Hoenack, a pioneer in hospital architecture whose 30 years of government service has included 25 years with the Public Health Service, was cited "in recognition of his exceptional contribution to national health facility construction programs through excellence in hospital design and architecture."

Mr. Hoenack is currently the Public Health Service representative to the American Institute of Architects' Committee on Hospitals as well as being a member of its Ad Hoc Committee on Architecture and Engineering in Government. He is a consultant to the American Hospital Association's Committee of De-

sign and Construction, and a member of the American Standards Association's Committee on Making Buildings Accessible to and Usable by the Physically Handicapped.

Department of Transportation announces awards competition

The Federal Department of Transportation has announced the initiation of an annual highway beauty awards competition to "recognize and cite the interest and participation of governments, authorities, organizations, businesses and industries in the national program of highway beauty." The competition will result in the annual presentation, beginning next January, of 11 awards to agencies of state, county or local governments, and four awards to social, civic, professional or other organizations and private industry.

"Design concept teams" urged for highways by A.I.A.

George E. Kassabaum, first vice president and president-elect of the American Institute of Architects, has called for use of "design concept teams" of specialists as a required part of the Federal Government's interstate road program.

Speaking for the A.I.A. before a Senate Committee of Public Works as part of hearings underway on the Highway Beautification Act of 1965, Mr. Kassabaum said that architects were "convinced that this approach will produce a highway that is part of the community, rather than one that takes the community apart." The design concept teams are panels of engineers, economists, sociologists, planners and architects who focus on the "complete social, economic and physical impact" that an expressway will have on a community.

The design concept team is now being tested on a 20-mile segment of the Interstate Freeway System in central Maryland, Mr. Kassabaum said.

The design concept team approach to urban design problems had been proposed in the A.I.A. policy statement presented in May before Senator Abraham Ribicoff's Subcommittee on Executive Reorganization of the Government. Archibald Rogers of Baltimore, chairman of the A.I.A. Committee on Urban Design. Mr. Rogers was also author of a proposal for organization of the project team for the Baltimore project.



Llewellyn W. Pitts



Henry J. Toombs

Obituaries

Llewellyn W. Pitts, a 1966 candidate for the office of First Vice President of the American Institute of Architects and from 1964 chairman of its Commission on Public Affairs and director of the A.I.A. Texas Region, died June 23 at the age of 67 after a long illness. Mr. Pitts was a senior partner in the firm of Pitts, Mebane & Phelps, architects and engineers, Beaumont, Texas. Mr. Pitts received his architectural degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology. He was elected to the College of Fellows of the A.I.A. in 1958 for Design and Public Service, and was made an honorary member of the Sociedad de Arquitectos de Mexico in 1961. Mr. Pitts served as president of the Southeast Texas Chapter A.I.A. in 1960, President of the Texas Society of Architects in 1961, a member of the A.I.A. Committees on Education, the National Capital and the Madison Library, and director of the A.I.A. Foundation.

Henry J. Toombs, senior partner in the architectural firm of Toombs, Arzano and Wells, Atlanta, died June 15 at the age of 71. Mr. Toombs, who received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Pennsylvania in 1919 and 1922, was elected to the College of Fellows of the A.I.A. in 1949. His firm has been responsible for many distinguished buildings in Atlanta and in the South including the John Knox Presbyterian Church in Marietta, Georgia, which won a 1967 A.I.A. Honor Award, and the Atlanta Memorial Cultural Center, now under construction.



Howard Earl Day

Shown above is a rendering of the \$15,000 first-prize winner in a national competition for design of the St. Louis Gateway mall by the firm of Sasaki, Dawson, DeMay Associates, Inc., architects, landscape architects and planners of Waterbury, Massachusetts. Members of the winning design team included Richard H. Rogers, associate in charge, Hideo

Sasaki, Mark Battaglia, Tom Johnson, Vincent Nauseda, Charles Smith and Charles Turofsky. The rendering reproduced on page 36 of the July RECORD and identified as the winner of the competition was the \$4,000 second-prize winning design by the St. Louis firm of Murphy and Mackey Architects, Inc. The RECORD very much regrets this error.



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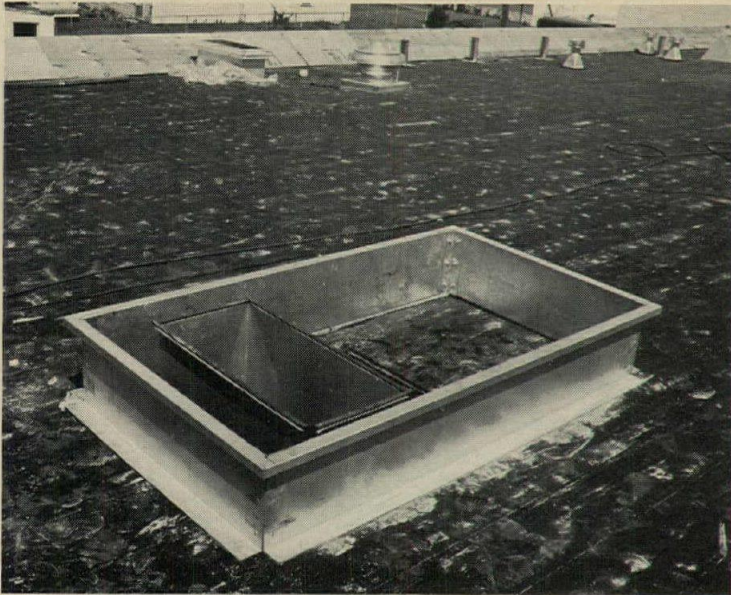
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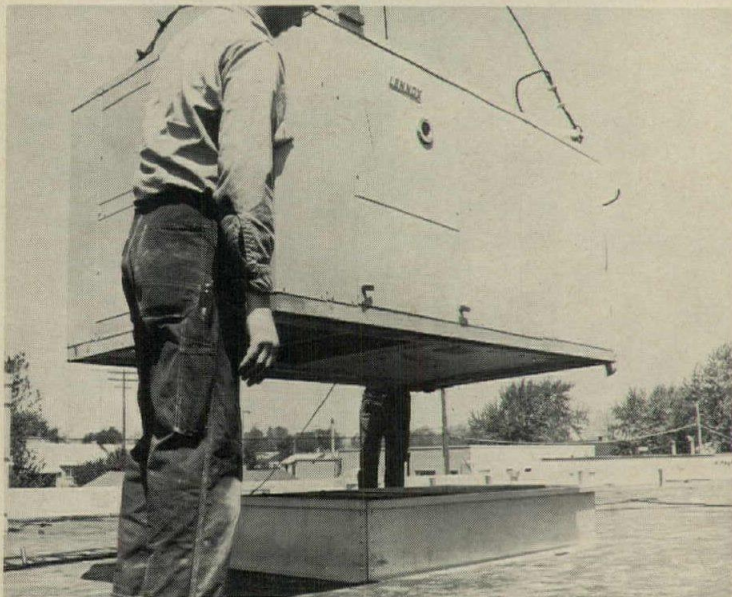
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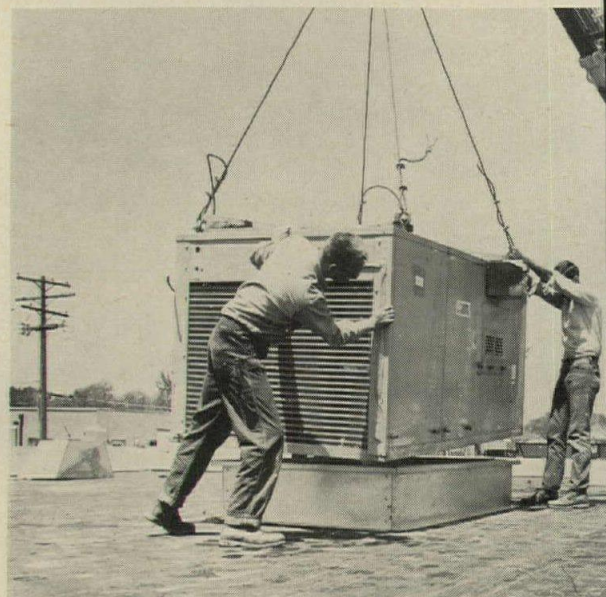
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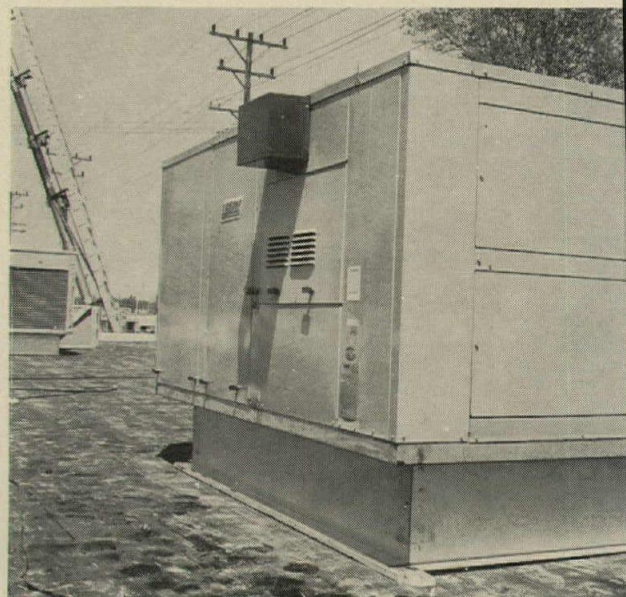
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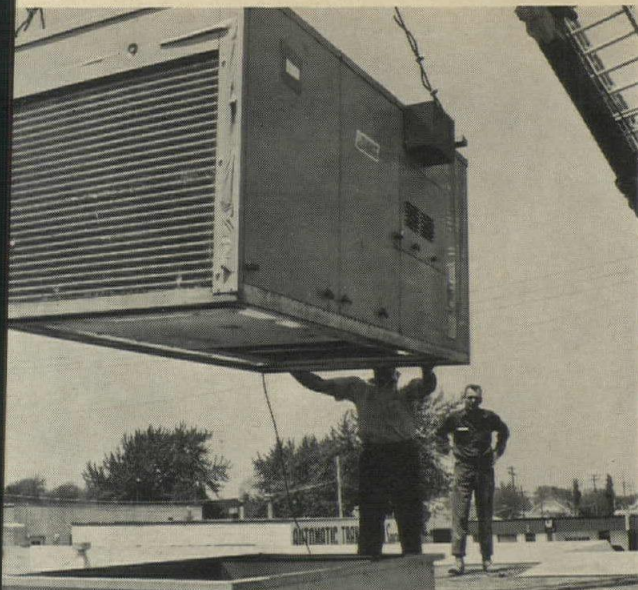
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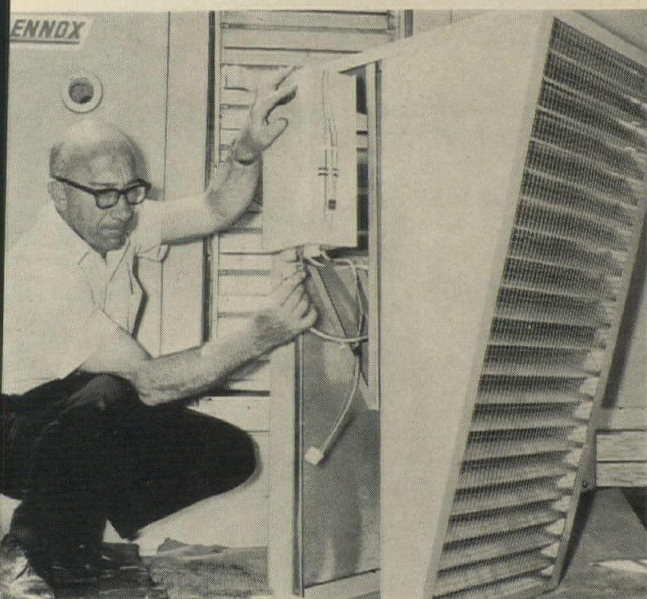
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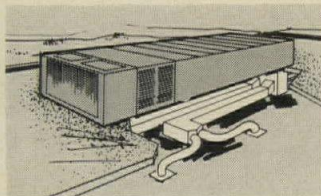
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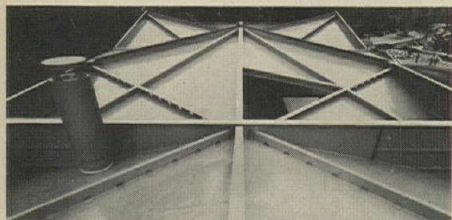


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Detail of hyperbolic roof structure.



Interior shows expression of module.

The residence and private gallery designed by Le Corbusier shortly before his death in 1965 for a lake-front site in Zurich was completed and dedicated last month. This building for Mrs. A. Heidi Weber, who has for a long time been Le Corbusier's representative for painting, sculpture and graphic work in Zurich, will now become a memorial and exhibition pavilion.

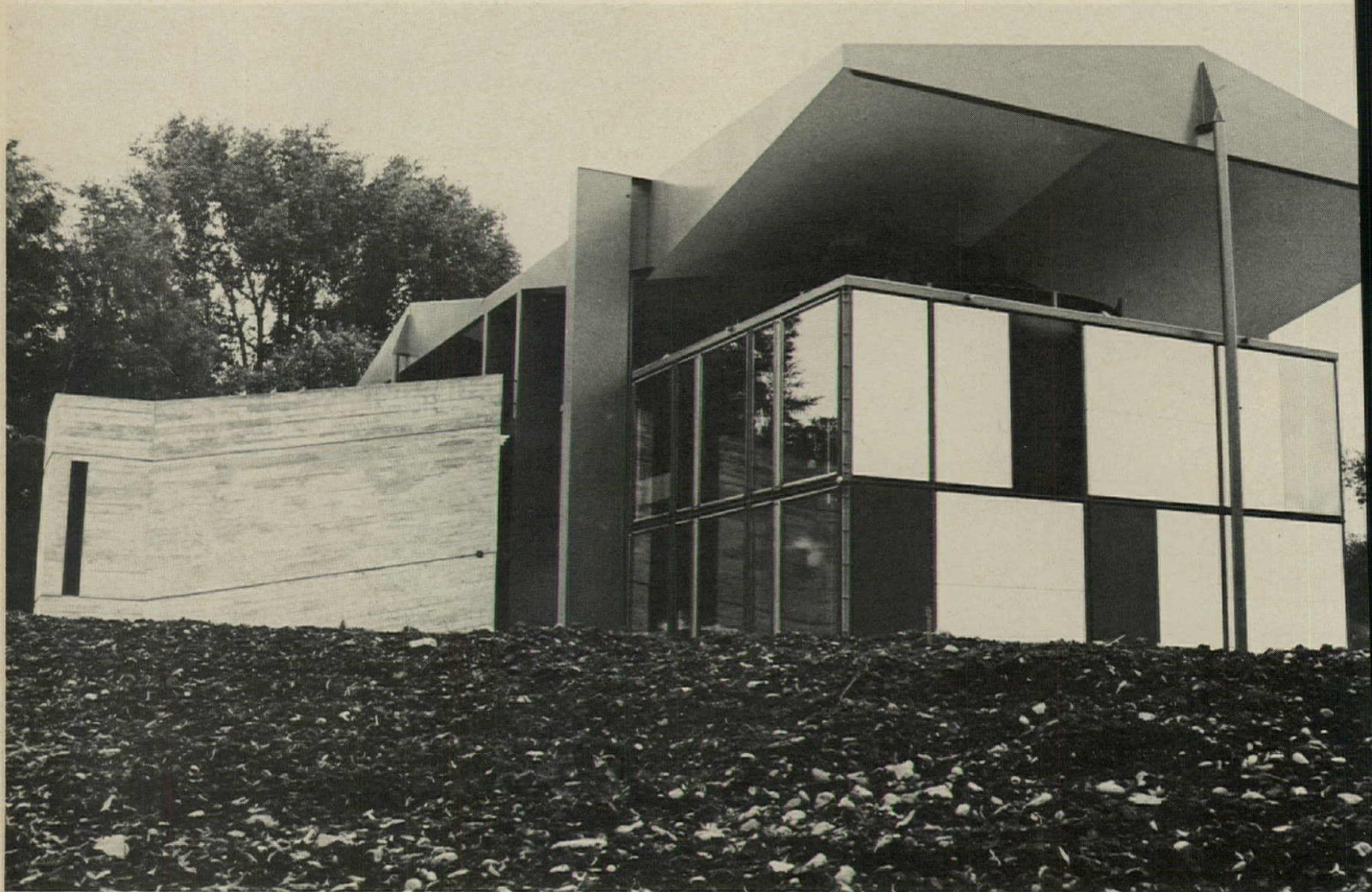
The design brings together a number of recurring themes from Le Corbusier's work: a roof structure composed of two hyperbolic paraboloids of opposed directions, which eliminates the need for a central support; the separation of the roof structure from the building; and the use of a 7-foot 5-inch module. The sheet-metal roof structure, weighing 40

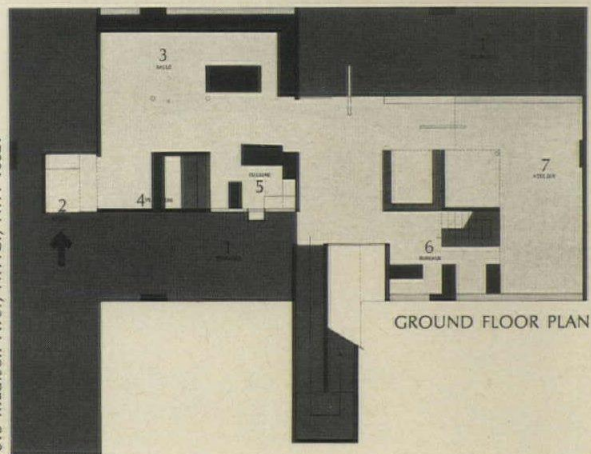
tons and painted battleship grey, prefabricated, and then trucked to construction site where it was fixed to six pillars. The entire structure is supported by a concrete base which incorporates the ground floor and basement assembly hall. The walls consist of brightly colored porcelain enamel panels.

The residence portion of the pavilion is located to the left in the plan, with the gallery portion to the right, the gallery portion being a two-story room with further display space located on a balcony overlooking the first floor. Stairs lead to an outdoor terrace under the shelter of the roof.

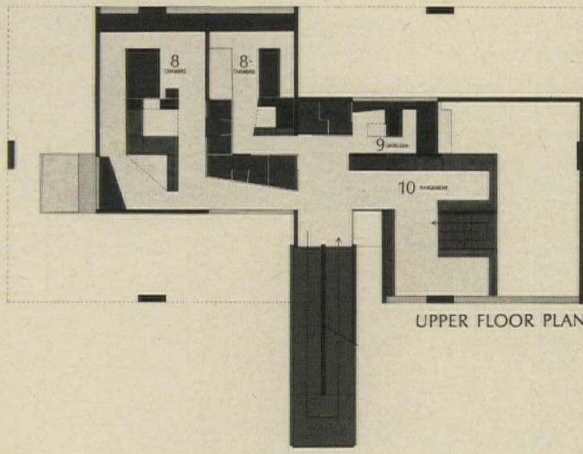
Supervising architects for the \$350,000 building were Alain Taves and Roberto Rebutato.

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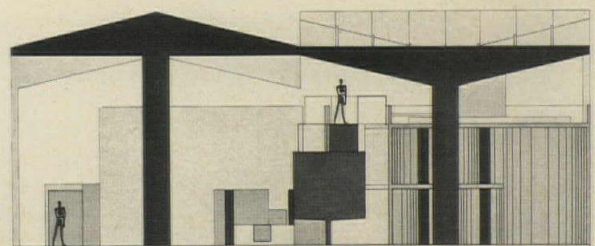




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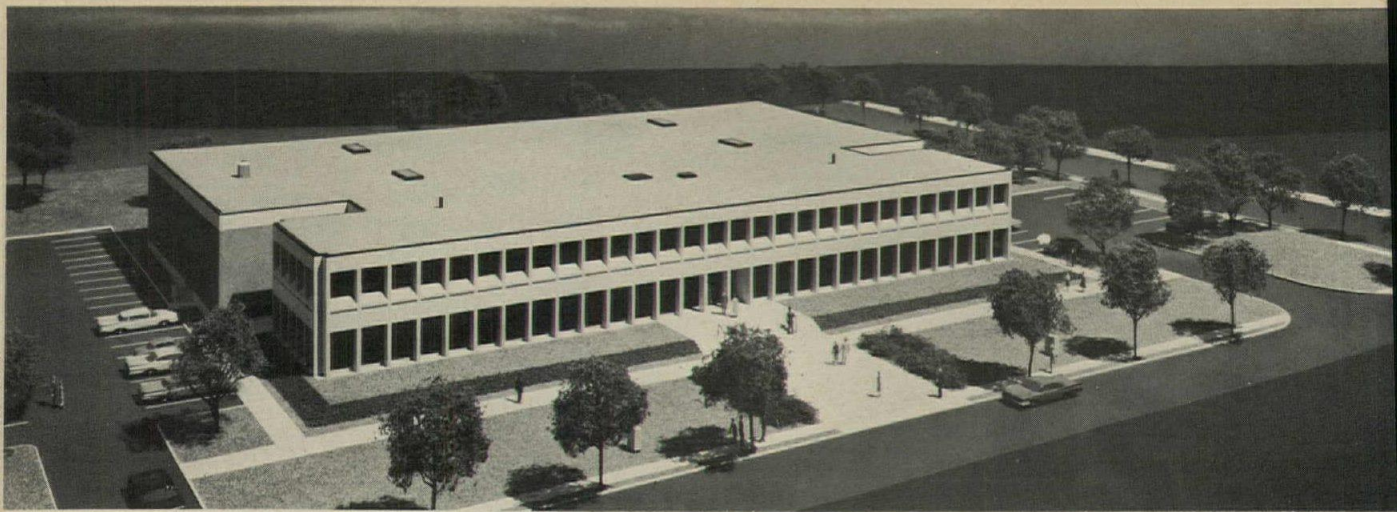
UPPER FLOOR PLAN



STREET ELEVATION WITH RAMP

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A corporate headquarters and distribution center for Ilford Inc., Paramus, New Jersey, designed by Zywootow & Eckert, will have its office section constructed of a modular, precast concrete wall system with tinted glass set

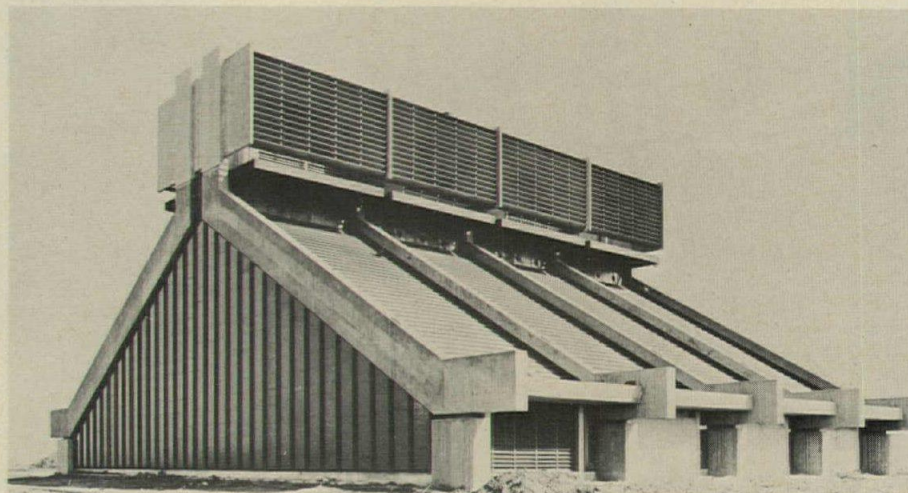
in deeply recessed window openings. The distribution center at the rear will be faced with earth-colored brick and precast concrete trim. The headquarters section will contain executive offices, technical services, demon-

stration suites and general offices. The two-story structure will contain 40,000 square feet in its first stage with provision for 20,000 square feet in expansion. General contractor is the B. D. Malcolm Company.



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A warehouse for the Pleasantdale Corporation, Atlanta, designed by Martin & Bainbridge, is one of 11 winners in the fifth annual awards program of the Prestressed Concrete Institute "to recognize excellence in design using precast and/or prestressed concrete." The 150-by 230-foot warehouse, with all wall and roof members of standard 8-foot-wide prestressed concrete doubletees, was praised by the jury for "... how, with simple standard materials and imagination, fine architecture can be achieved within a competitive cost range for a warehouse."



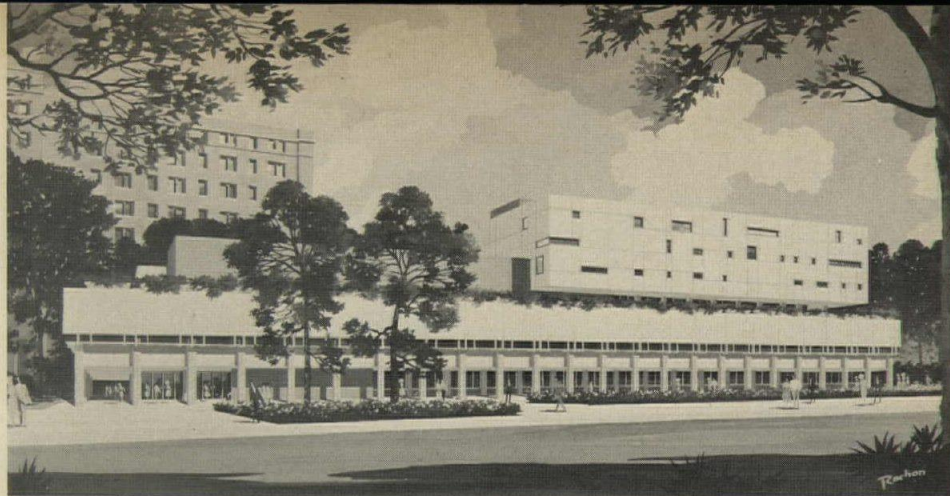
The Central Heating and Cooling Plant, University of Saskatchewan, Regina, designed by Clifford Wiens, is another winner in the P. C. I. awards program. Precast post-tensioned A-frame construction supports the cooling towers and permits concentration of roof penetrations at the apex for mechanical and plumbing vents. The jury commented: "What

might have been a jarring anachronism becomes a handsome feature consistent with the environment and landscaping... demonstrating excellent use of prestressed concrete members." Serving on the jury were architects Charles M. Nes, Jr., Guy Desbarats and MacDonald Becket, and engineers Earle Andrews and Thomas M. Linville.

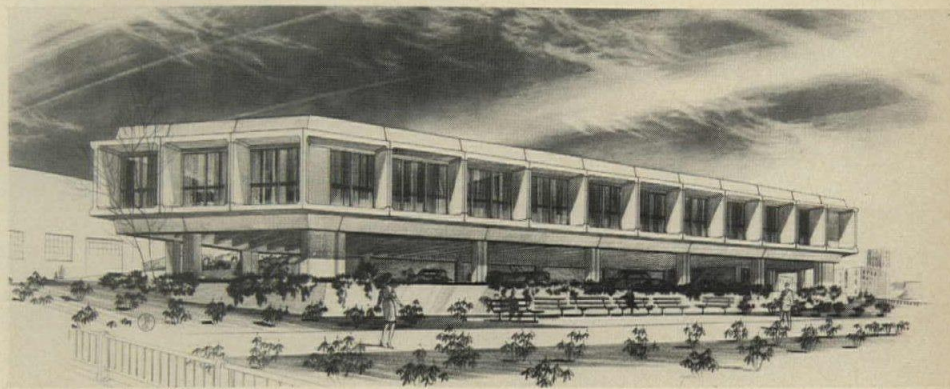


The Faculty Office Building for the Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, designed by Benjamin Thompson & Associates Inc., is a five-story building containing 41,800 square feet. The building will contain an entire floor devoted to a faculty library, periodical room and lounge "in order to maintain the law school faculty's sense of community and exchange of ideas." A companion five-story building designed by Mr. Thompson will provide classrooms and administrative offices. Both of the new buildings will have reinforced concrete structures with a reddish-brown textured brick and bush-hammered concrete exterior in order to relate to existing older buildings.

University Center Building under construction at Wayne State University, Detroit, designed by Alden B. Dow & Associates, is a framed structure faced with a skin of re-tilled thin wall latex concrete, which will house religious, recreational and educational activities of the school. Located in a three-story tower which will be cantilevered approximately 15 feet out from the four-story base will be facilities for religious groups. In addition will be lounges, meetings rooms and dining facilities. General contractor for the \$10-million building, which will contain 100,000 square feet, is the Lerner-Linden Construction Company.



Headquarters building for the Olivetti Wood Corporation in Seattle, designed by Richard Bouillon, A.I.A., and Associates, will be an 8,000-square-foot office building, with offices rising over a surface parking area for 26 automobiles. The building, of precast poured concrete construction with deep-recessed windows for sun control, will be sited on a landscaped triangular site. Structural engineers are Olsen and Ratti and the general contractor is the Hugh S. Ferguson Company.



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The Pittsburgh National Bank headquarters building in Pittsburgh, designed by Welton Becket and Associates, Architects—Engineers, will be a 30-story office building with the elevator and service core expressed as a separate element on the east side of the building. The design calls for clear-span construction with 70-foot-long, high-tensile-strength steel beams, and with load-bearing exterior columns on the facade. The columns, recessed panels and elevator core will be sheathed in granite. The ground-floor banking space will be column-free with a 25-foot luminous ceiling. The building, which will contain 100,000 square feet of flexible space, is expected to be completed by 1971.



The Equitable Life Assurance Society office building in Los Angeles, designed by Welton Becket and Associates, Architects—Engineers, will rise 34 stories and will be set on a two-level landscaped plaza. Precast fins of beige concrete mixed with a beige Texas limestone aggregate then exposed by sandblasting, will rise nearly the height of the tower. Retail shops will be located on two plaza levels as well as in a separate one-story structure. The second story, which will house banking facilities, will be an extra-height floor cantilevered outward 11 feet on all sides. The \$30-million building, constructed on a 4-foot 8-inch module (expressed on the facade by fins) will contain 780,000 square feet.



An Operations Center for the Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, now under construction in Detroit, designed by Louis G. Redstone Associates, Inc., will be an 11-story structure containing 552,500 square feet to house the bank's computer center and a new branch bank. The building, which is located in the center of a proposed 20-foot-high pedestrian mall, will be faced with black granite, stainless steel and gray glass. Below mall level the building will be faced with carved stone bas-reliefs. The building will have a two-story lobby with an open well which will overlook the banking office. The project will provide parking for 260 cars on three sub-levels and will be topped by a heliport. General contractor for the underground work is the Barton-Malow Company.

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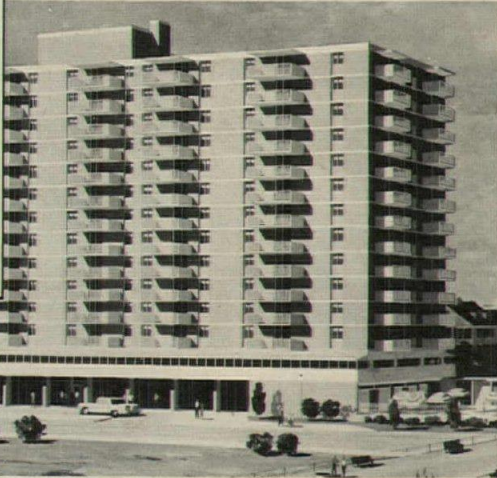
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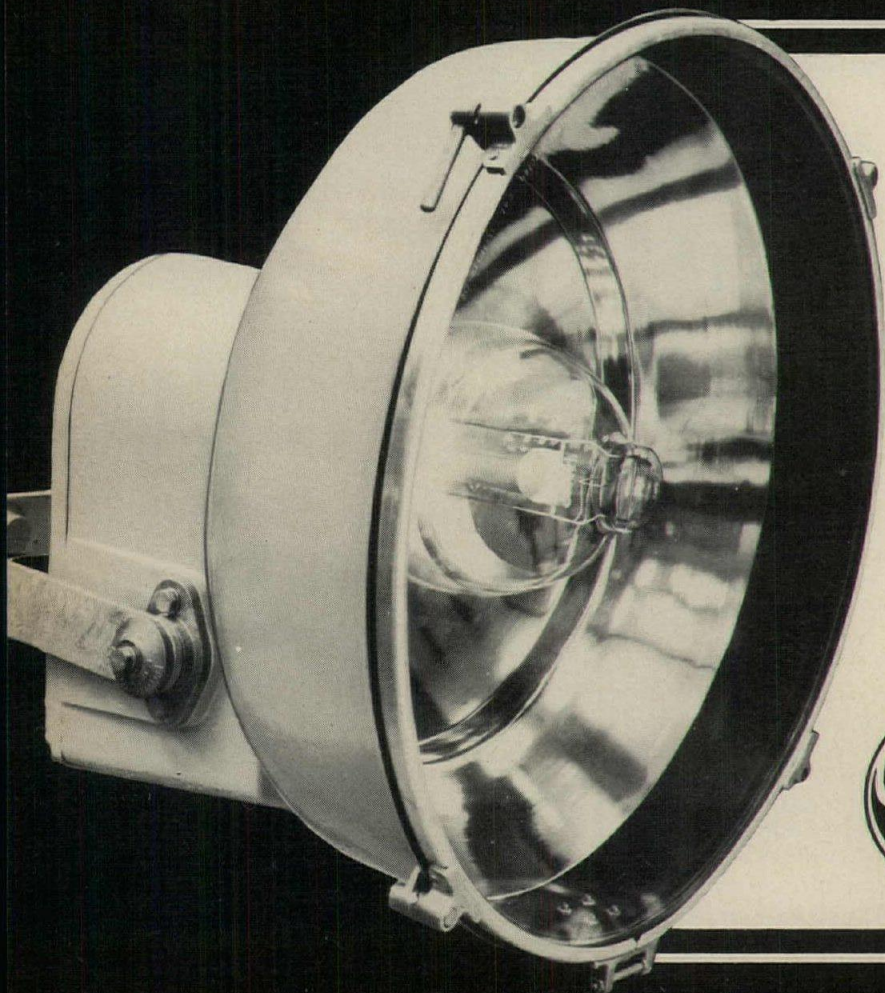
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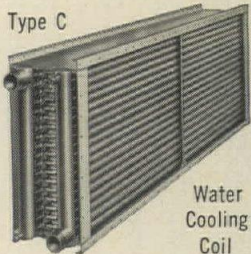
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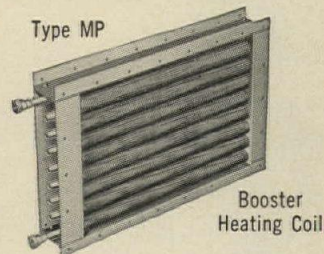
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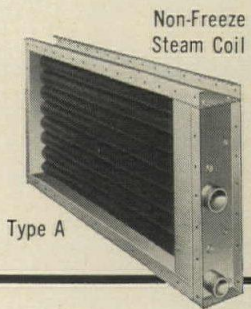
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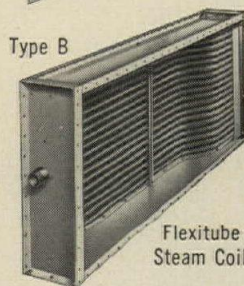
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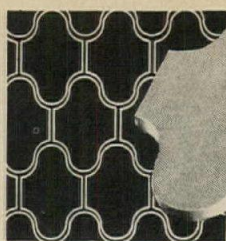
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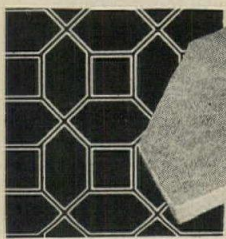
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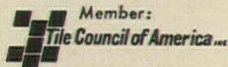
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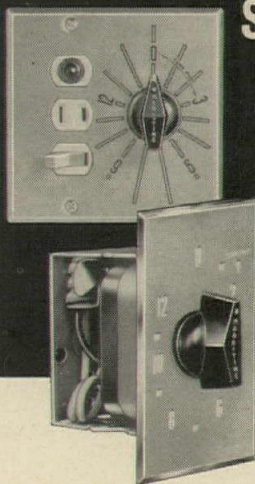
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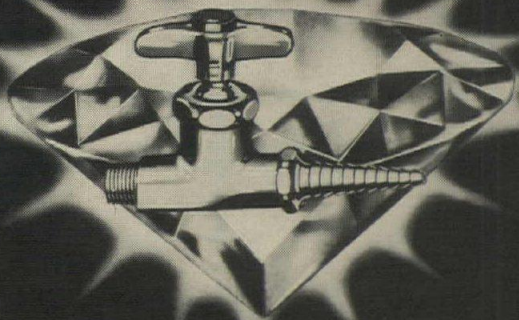
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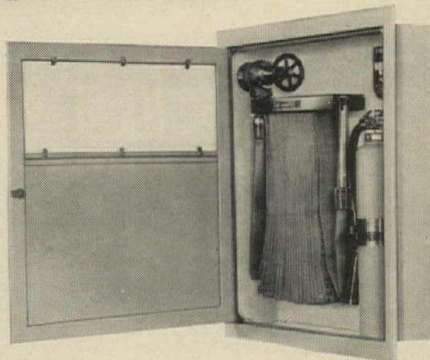
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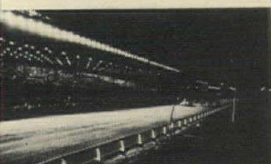
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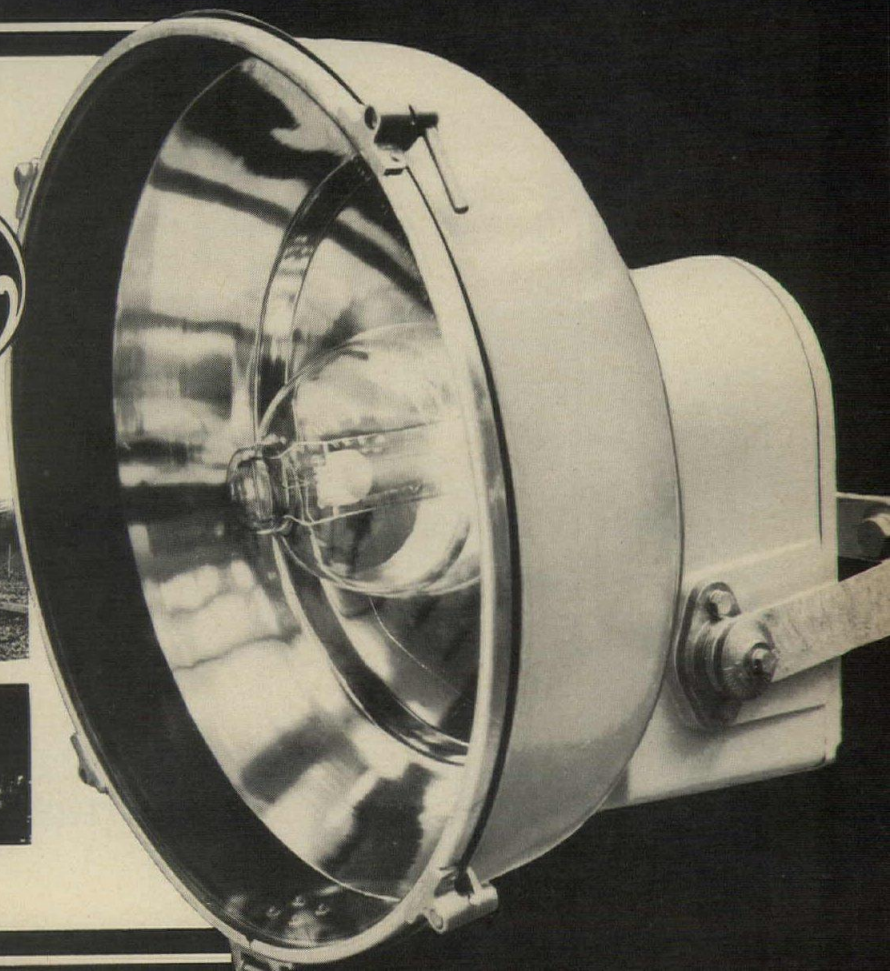
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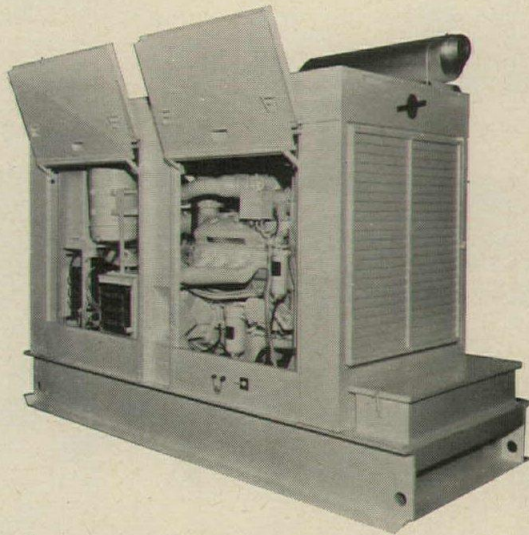
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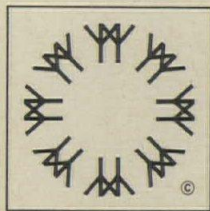
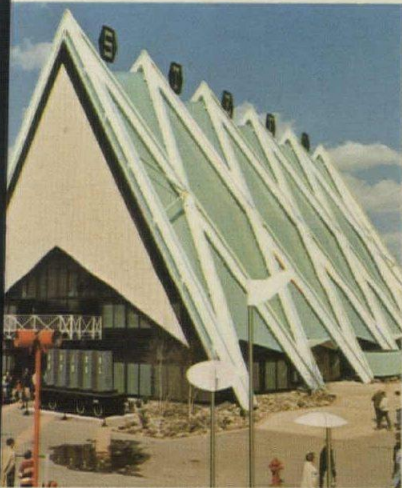


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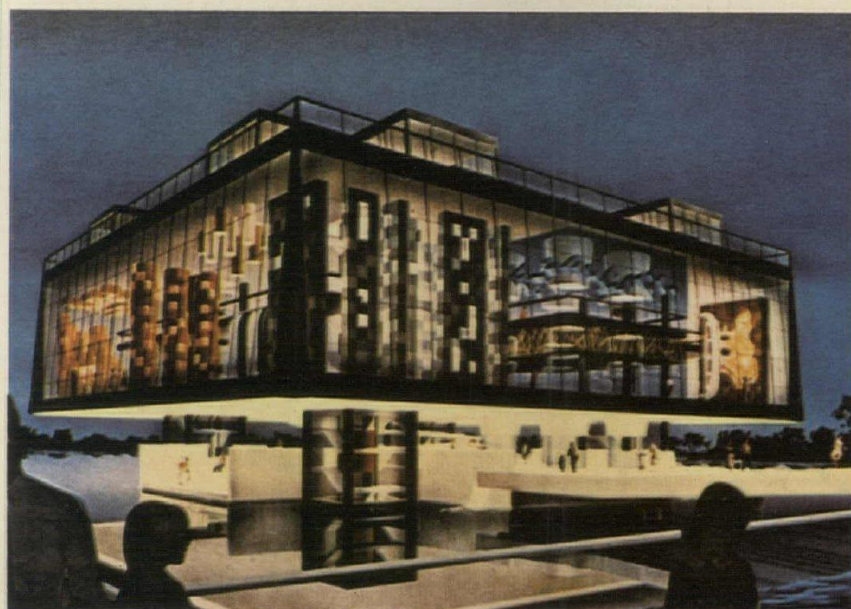
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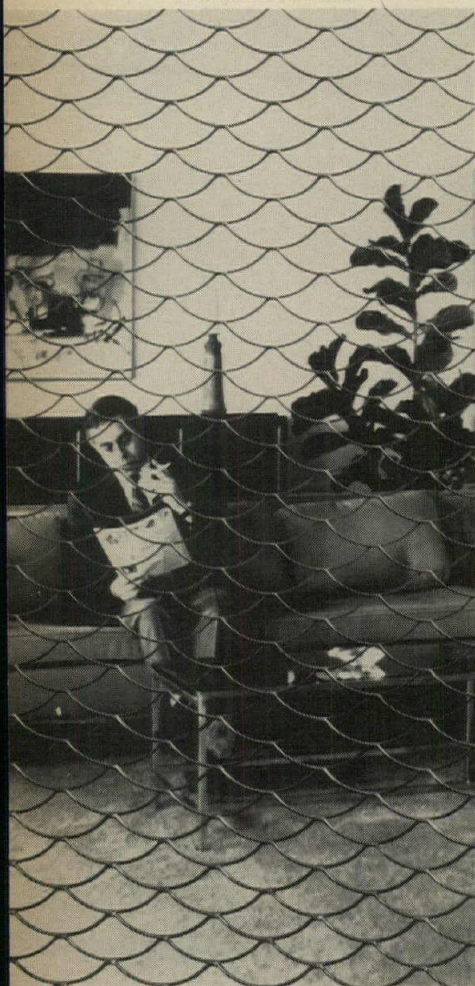
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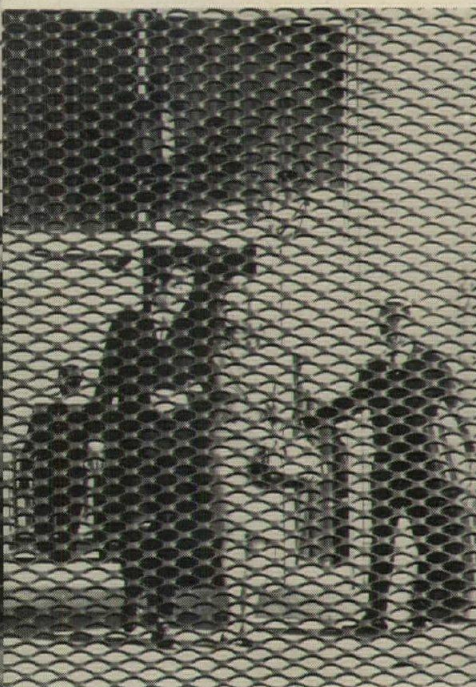
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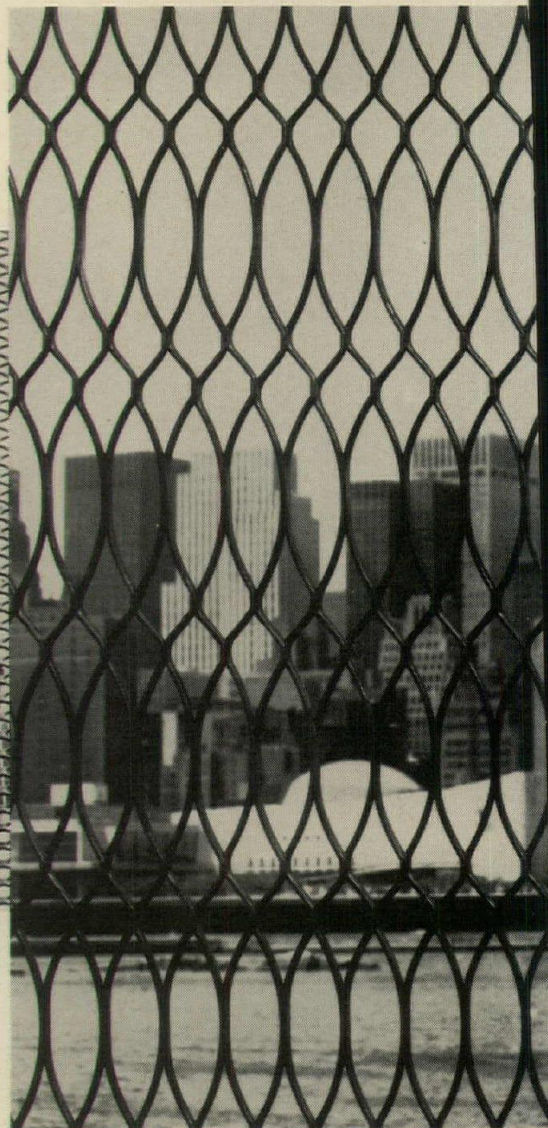
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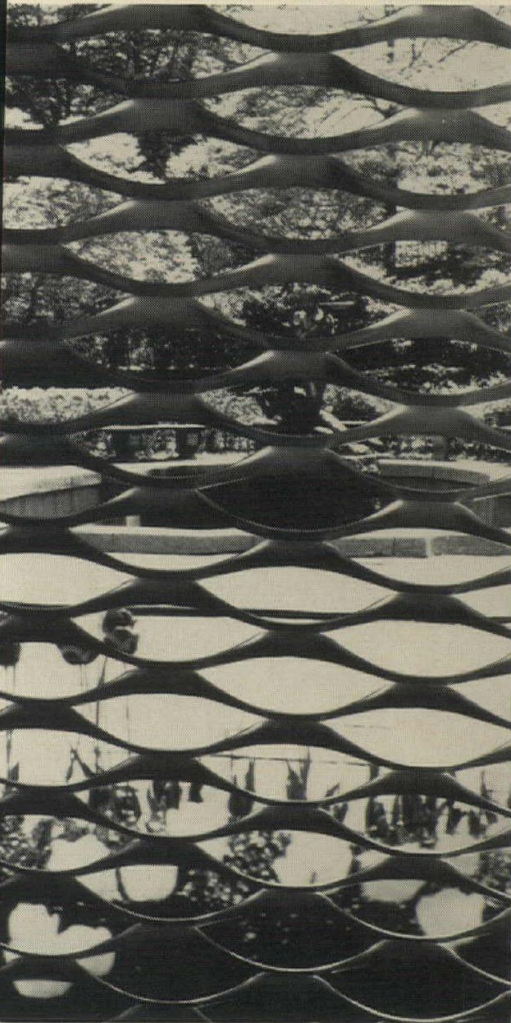


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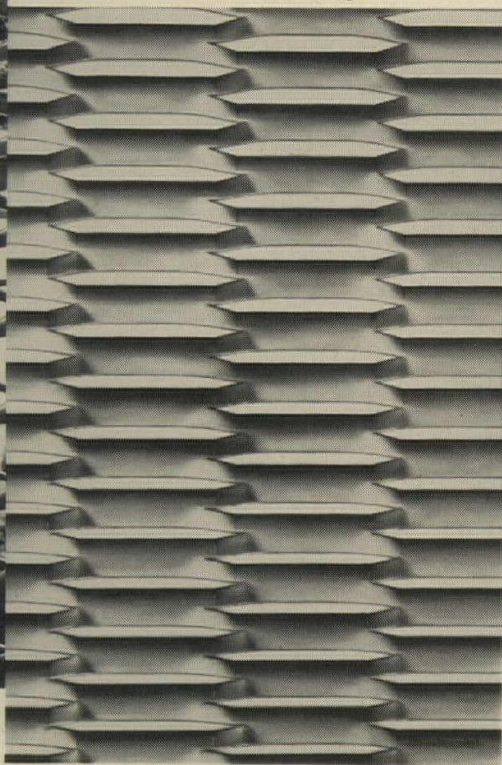


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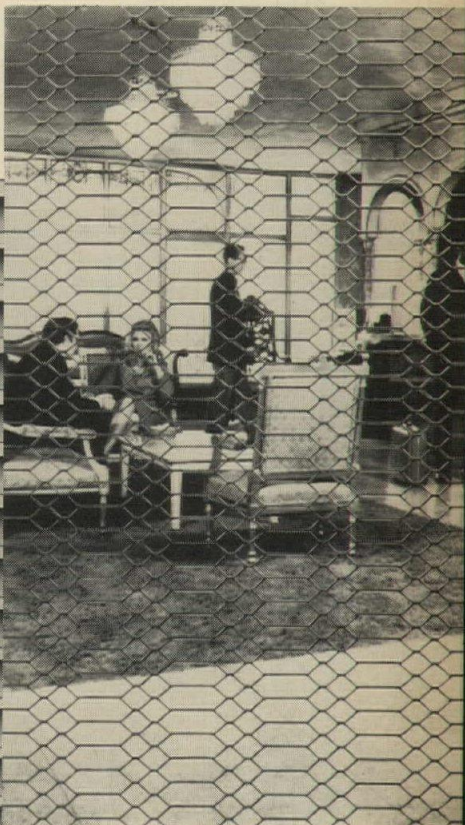
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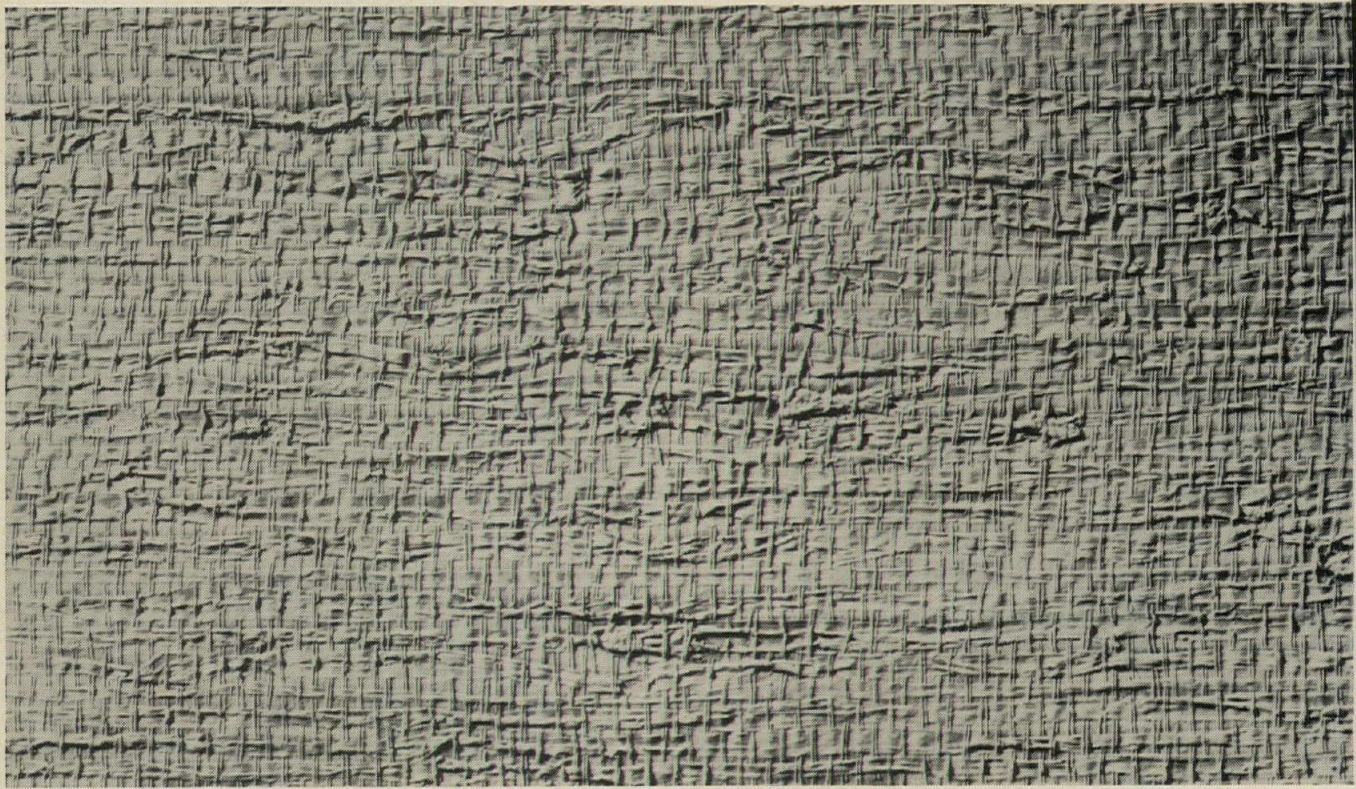
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OCTOBER

6-8 Annual New England Regional Conference of the American Institute of Architects—Sheraton-Eastland Motel, Portland, Maine.

1-6 50th Anniversary Conference, American Institute of Planners. Theme: "The Future Environment of a Democracy"—Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

9-12 Architectural Aluminum Manufacturers Association Annual Meeting—Statler-Hilton Hotel, Dallas.

31ff. Fall Convention, American Concrete Institute—Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa. Through November 3.

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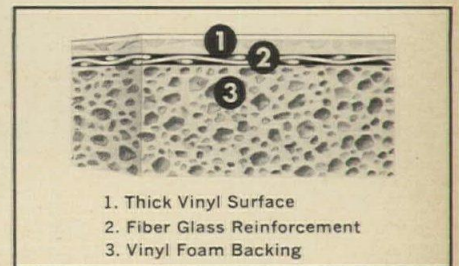
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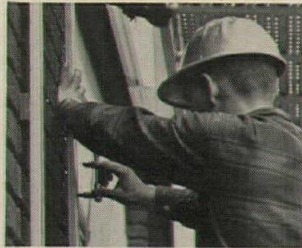
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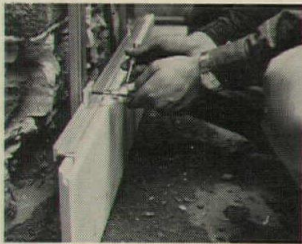
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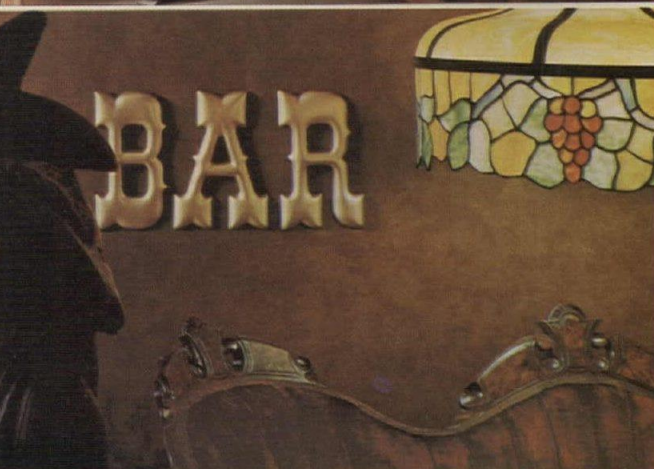
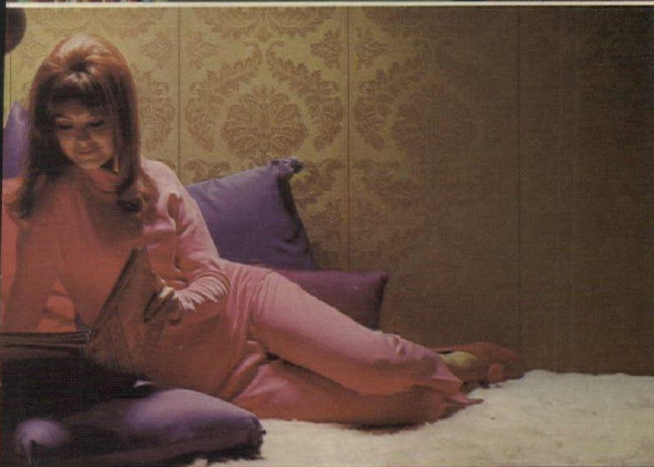
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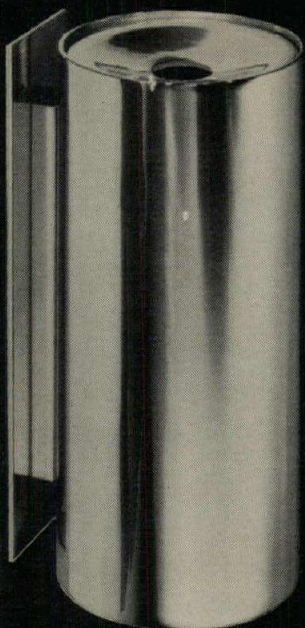
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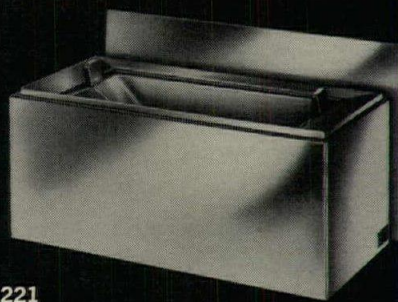




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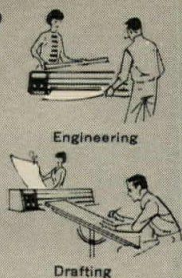
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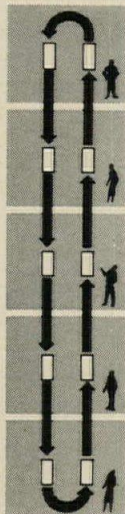
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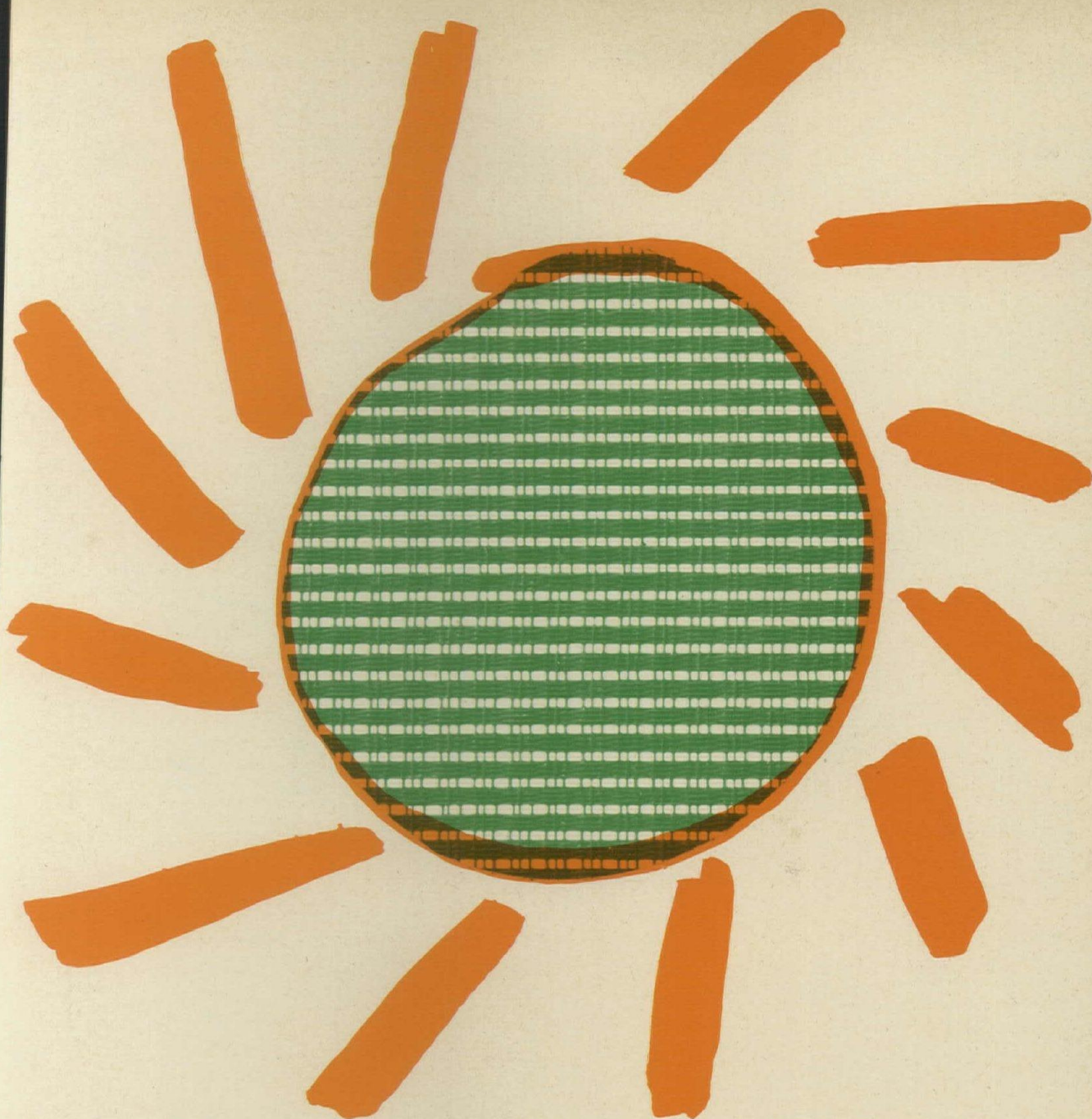
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Bodin & Lamberson, Architects announce the reorganization of the firm to include **Robert B. Plunkett, A.I.A.** and **Edward H. Shirley, A.I.A.** as partners and **R. L. Wooddall, Jr.** as an associate. The new firm is **Lamberson, Plunkett & Shirley, Architects; R. L. Wooddall, Jr., Associate** located at 410 Forsyth Bldg., Atlanta.

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A new firm known as **Freidin, Kleiman, Kelleher** has been formed by its partners, **Jack Freidin, A.I.A.; Joseph Kleiman, A.I.A.** and **Daniel Kelleher, A.I.A.** It is located at 342 Madison Ave., New York City.

Frid, Ferguson & Mahaffey, Architects have named **Howard H. Perry** a partner and the firm's new name is **Frid, Ferguson, Mahaffey and Perry, Architects**. The firm is at 750 Main St., Hartford.

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Peter G. Koltnow has joined the Los Angeles office of **Victor Gruen Associates** as project director.

Robert E. Sudbring, architect has joined the staff of **Gale A. Hill & Associates A.I.A.** located at 11722 Studt Ave., St. Louis.

Arthur W. Buttery has been made Chief Mechanical Engineer by **Holforty Widrig O'Neill & Associates Inc., Consulting Engineers** at 177 West Big Beaver Rd., Troy, Mich.

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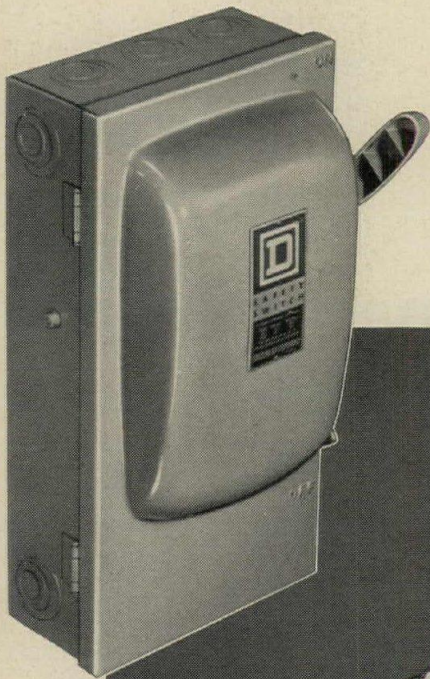
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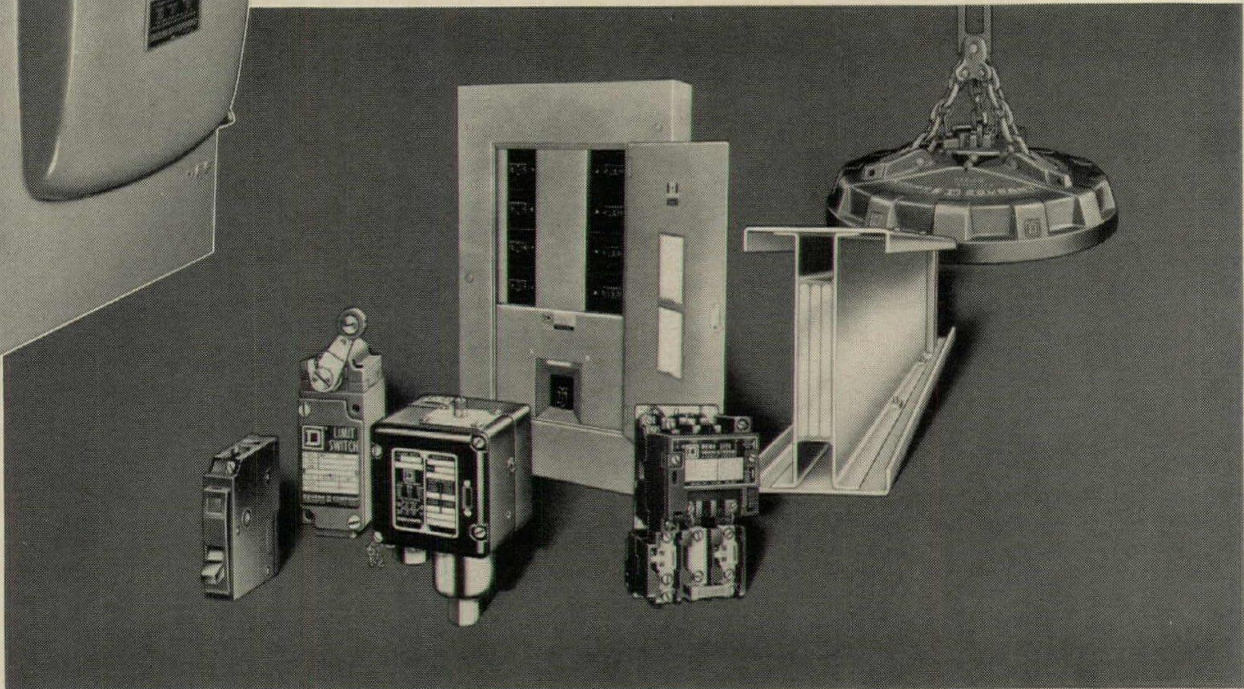
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New low-income site plan readied by FHA

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Key to the new plan, dubbed the "Modular Site Concept," lies in small-sized lots and one-way narrow streets. It is a combination, happy or unhappy, of the small-sized lots of the 1940's, the wide lots and one-way streets of trailer parks, and the common-ground open spaces idea of newer townhouses," says a prominent land planning executive.

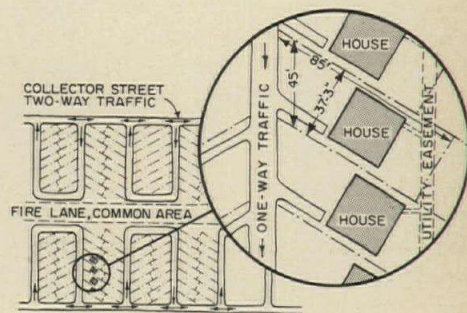
FHA's plan, according to several architects and land planners who have reviewed it privately, will depend in large measure on the excellence of design of the individual homes and on the local

community's acceptance of the much higher density: 8.2 homes per acre, well above the national average of four.

Despite the design drawbacks, and probable local resistance to the zoning aspects, all of the experts who screened FHA's idea strongly favored the thought that FHA was trying to come up with some solutions to the high cost of new housing. In doing so, the agency had to toss out some of the most persuasive underwriting principles—that larger lots provide better resale potential, and that homeowners want larger houses.

FHA's experts feel an 800-square-foot house, at \$10/square foot, can go on the 5,000-square-foot lot (85 feet deep on longest line, 37.3 feet wide with 43-foot street frontage) at a total cost of \$10,500.

This includes \$2,000 per acre for the "model" 28.13 acres and \$316,481 in total development costs on common



areas and lots (streets, sewers, etc.). This works out, including 20 per cent land profit, to \$1,563 per lot for 243 lots.

Possibility of international practice gains ground

At the recent convention of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (N.C.A.R.B.) in New York, the report of the Committee on Foreign Evaluations, which was approved by the Council, contained a significant breakthrough in the area of international reciprocity. A Memorandum of Agreement to permit registered British and American architects to practice freely in either country was ratified at the convention, and the appropriate machinery set in motion to bring it into effect. The agreement was the result of two meetings—one in New York and one in London—when representatives of the N.C.A.R.B. and the Architects Registration Council of the United Kingdom (A.R.C.U.K.) first explored the possibilities of international reciprocity and then drew up the memorandum of agreement.

Other countries are interested in developing international practice

The meetings were also attended by representatives of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, the Commonwealth Association of Architects, the Pan American Federation of Associations of Architects, the International Union of Architects and the Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland.

The meetings were conducted in a great spirit of cordiality and constructiveness, and the continued interest of

all the countries represented suggests that this initial two-nation agreement may be only a prelude to a much broader reciprocity. Once in effect, the scheme will permit registered architects of Britain and the U.S. to practice freely in each other's country, subject only to their passing an examination testing professional practice and practical experience.

A survey of foreign schools will determine relative standards

The establishment of reciprocal agreements obviously depends in large part on mutual confidence in the equivalence of educational standards in the countries concerned. The Foreign Evaluation Committee of the N.C.A.R.B. has therefore been concerned to establish an effective means of studying and recording the

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curricula of foreign schools of architecture and to relate these to the training offered by accredited schools of architecture in this country. The N.C.A.R.B. has therefore appointed Professor William Muschenheim of Michigan University School of Architecture to undertake the task of surveying foreign schools in the capacity of "Evaluator of Foreign Schools of Architecture." Professor Muschenheim's task will involve actual visits to as many schools as possible, and—with the help

of the N.C.A.R.B. in Washington—the preparation of appropriate questionnaires to send to schools not yet surveyed and to those whose records require updating.

Other professions discuss international practice

That related professions are thinking along similar lines is evidenced by conclusions reached at a meeting on international engineering procedure held last February in Washington and at-

tended by representatives of the Consulting Engineers Council, the Associated General Contractors and the Agency for International Development. The meeting recommended the adoption of an international standard form of contract, subject to certain provisions in the case of AID-financed projects, and the use of a glossary to clarify the meaning of terms not in current use in this country. Other subjects discussed at the meeting included ways to improve contract terms and methods of financing.

Dodge's mid-year forecast sees building upturn

F. W. Dodge Company reports that the second half of 1967 is expected to bring a bigger total of contracts for new construction. The stronger months ahead will lift the year's total to a new high of \$51.2 billion, a 2 per cent gain over the \$50.15 billion the industry reported in 1966, and bringing the Dodge Index to 149 from last year's 145.3 (1957-1959=100).

The rate of both commercial and industrial building will be climbing again during the next six months, reports George A. Christie, Dodge's chief economist. Total commercial contracting, he said, likely will finish 1967 at close to last year's record \$5.835-billion amount. Industrial contracting, which declined due to tax credit and depreciation rulings of last September and the excessive inventories during the early months of this year, have proved only temporary problems. Though total industrial contract values may not quite equal the record \$3.6 billion set last year, they should come within 1 or 2 per cent of it, Christie

predicted. Total institutional contract values, Christie said, should about equal last year's \$8.4 billion with a 3 per cent gain expected in educational construction offsetting the anticipated declines in hospital (-10 per cent) and religious building (-3 per cent) activity.

Housing, up 8 per cent to \$19.3 billion, is the most unstable market at mid-1967. Despite the monetary ease resulting from a switch in monetary and fiscal policies, interest rates began to stiffen again during the second quarter due to heavy demands by both business and government and the anticipation by lenders of even stronger borrowing needs in the second half. However, the administration and the Federal Reserve Board are committed to the support of a housing recovery this year, and hopefully, Christie said, "this commitment will be reflected in a balanced use of both fiscal and monetary policies rather than another money squeeze." The rate of housing starts should total 1.3 million units

for the year, bringing total contract values for one- and two-family houses to \$13.8 billion this year, a 12 per cent increase over the depressed 1966 level. Total 1967 contract values for apartment buildings are expected to climb to \$5.5 billion, 4 per cent higher than last year.

Nonbuilding construction is down 10 per cent to \$12.725 billion. A quick reversal of the Presidential order to withhold a billion dollars in highway construction has brought the rate of highway construction for the second quarter back up to close to last year's average. Total 1967 contract values may reach \$6.5 billion, only 4 per cent short of the year's record pace, Christie said. A substantial advance is expected in 1967 for contracts for sewer and water supply projects which should reach \$2 billion in contract values, 8 per cent higher than last year and an anticipated 1967 total of \$3.5 billion in utilities contracting will be large in contrast to every other year in 1966.

Briefs

FHA to insure group medical facilities. Under a new program, the FHA will insure private mortgages to finance group medical practice facilities through new construction or rehabilitation of existing structures. The Public Health Service will advise FHA on medical aspects of project proposals. FHA will insure mortgages covering up to 90 per cent of the value of the facility, including equipment.

Architectural firm supports research. Diversified research projects in architecture will be undertaken within Kansas State University's College of Architecture and Design in the next three years with the assistance of a \$30,000 grant from Smith, Hinchman and Grylls Associates, Inc. Presentation of a \$10,000 check for the first year's research was made by Robert F. Hastings, president

of the firm, to Dean Emil Fischer at the annual meeting of the A.I.A. in May. The research will be supervised by Henry Wright, K.S.U.'s Regents Distinguished Professor of Environmental Technology.

Mortgage lending revives. Statistics on mortgage lending in May show that home financing by savings and loan associations increased by 32 per cent from April to May, and for the first time in 15 months topped the volume for the same month of a year earlier. Associations closed an estimated \$1.8 billion in mortgage loans in May as compared with \$1.3-billion in April.

Housing for the elderly. Over 35,000 housing units designed for senior citizens of moderate income have been completed or are now under construction,

financed by loans to non-profit organizations made by HUD and its predecessor agencies implementing Sec. 202 of the Housing Act of 1959. Total cost of the program through January 1967 was \$423,312,000. As of the end of January, states and Puerto Rico had taken advantage of the program.

Psychoarchitectonics. That's the word used to describe an itinerant international exhibit of psychiatric and mental health facilities now being organized in Italy. U.S. architects are invited to send exhibit materials consisting of plan prints, model photos and one-page written reports to arrive not later than October 31 at: *Centro Psicografico di Maser, via Dalmazia, 14, Montebelluna (Trevise), Italy*, for the attention of Professor Ennio Miotto.

COMMENT AND CONTRACT TABULATION

by A. Christie, Chief Economist
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second boom in school building

Part 2

In last month's column it was noted that the current record rate of educational building is the result of powerful forces that have been behaving quite predictably for many years. These forces—steady growth and changing composition of the nation's student body, and the stimulus of several recent Federal construction aid programs—are largely responsible for today's very high level of building.

There is every indication that the demand for educational construction will remain strong both this year and next.

There are also signs that after two decades of expansion, an important change is coming in school building. This change will be in the rate of growth of school enrollments—the single most important factor governing the need for new educational facilities. Since 1960 total school enrollments have been growing at a rate of more than 3 per cent per year—almost exactly double the rate of growth for the population as a whole. The table below shows, during the short span between 1960 and 1966 the proportion of the population attending school increased from 25.6 per cent to 28.0 per cent. That increase meant a need for new classroom space for nine million.

Year	Total Enrollment	Total Population	Population in School
1960	46.2	180.7	25.6 per cent
1966	55.1	196.8	28.0
1975(e)	59.4	215.3	27.6

1960-66	+3.2 per cent	+1.5 per cent
1966-75	+0.9 per cent	+1.0 per cent

Source: Bureau of the Census

But from here on (through 1975, at least) things will be quite different. It's not that we'll suddenly be faced with empty classrooms or anything like that, but just the same, the boom years for school building are coming to an end. For the next 10 or so years, total school enrollment will be increasing by an average of only 1 per cent per year, instead of the more than 3 per cent annual growth in the first half of the sixties. In relation to the population as a whole, enrollment growth will slow down to just about the same rate, rather than double its pace. And that means that by 1975, we'll actually have a smaller proportion

(27.6 per cent) of the total population in school than today.

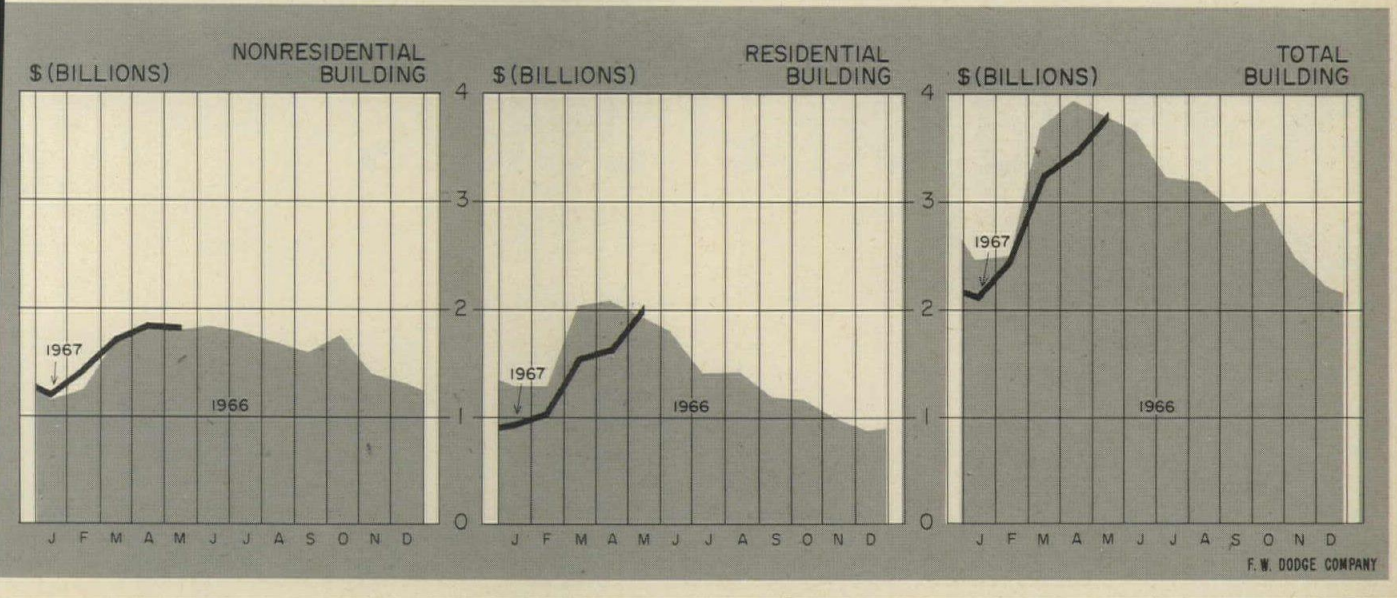
Demographically speaking, it's little more than a matter of put-and-take. In the years ahead, the students who were born during the peak birth rate years of the early fifties will be taken out of the educational system by graduation and will be replaced at the beginning grades by kids born in the middle-sixties when the birth rate was much lower. As this happens, the impact on the nation's educational system will be progressive.

Elementary (K-8)—enrollments have already leveled off and will actually begin to decline around 1970. By 1975, total grade school enrollments will be about two million less than today.

High School (9-12)—enrollments are still growing, but at a slower rate than during the early sixties. Expansion stops by 1975, and then decline sets in.

College—Plenty of growth left here. Enrollments are currently a bit more than six million, up from three and a half million in 1960. They'll expand somewhat more slowly to nine million by 1975, with further gains anticipated in the years beyond.

Building activity: monthly contract tabulations



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Study weighs the effect of wage rates on building costs

It is generally assumed that the sizable differences in the cost of a building from city to city stem primarily from the usually large differences in wage rates from city to city. A recent study has revealed a remarkably close correlation between building costs and wage rates practically overriding other factors, such as the cost of materials and labor productivity, although these too vary significantly from city to city. (For the moment, consideration of short-run market conditions are excluded.)

Recently, wage differentials have appeared to be most important on school buildings. Therefore, a study of this type project offered a logical choice for finding the actual weight of wage differentials in over-all cost differences.

This was accomplished in the following manner: First a cost breakdown by trade was made of a typical school building in New York City. The first column presents the per cent of the total job cost accounted for by each category of worker. The second column is the per cent of the total job cost in which each trade is directly involved, i.e. labor cost as material cost. This means that wage costs for these 11 trades accounted for 48 per cent of the total project cost. The remaining project costs—4 per cent for miscellaneous items would probably add 2 per cent in labor costs.)

By taking wage rates for these same trades in several other cities and using

New York City as a base, a labor cost index can be compiled. The wages used are 1966-67 rates including fringes and are adjusted for an 8-hour workday where applicable. As these rates are renegotiated, the index can be updated.

A brief explanation about this index: the weights (per cent of total job cost) for each trade are not the same in each city, and neither are the differences in these weights simply proportionate to the differences in hourly wage rates.

So while the index shows Atlanta's labor costs for school buildings to be 55 per cent of school labor costs in New York, it does not mean that the total building cost for a school in Atlanta is 55 per cent of the cost in New York.

To convert the labor cost index to a building cost index, it is necessary to take the weighted labor cost in each city and add a constant representing cost of materials. When this is done using New York prices the following indexes occur.

Checking the relationships expressed in this index against various published indices produced some interesting results. In fact, most of the figures proved to be quite close.

SCHOOL BUILDING COST INDEX

New York	100		
Atlanta	78	Minneapolis	82
Baltimore	79	Norfolk	72
Birmingham	76	Pensacola	73
Boston	85	Philadelphia	84
Chicago	85	Pittsburgh	85
Cleveland	85	Providence	81
Dallas	76	St. Louis	86
Denver	79	San Diego	79
Detroit	87	San Francisco	91
Houston	78	Seattle	85
Los Angeles	88	Washington, D.C.	81
Miami	80	Wichita	76

Since the original purpose of this study was to test the notion that wage differentials are the primary determinant of building cost differentials from city to city, this could be taken as some measure of "proof". The accuracy lost by assuming constant material's prices was undoubtedly offset to a substantial degree by the use of weighted wage rates for the particular building type.

In these index numbers labor productivity was not taken into account. Short run market conditions, mainly influenced by the degree of contractor competition, were also not considered. As has been suggested previously, the ideal method for determining these factors is via thorough research of the city in question.

WAGE RATES IN U.S. CITIES

Cities	Bricklayers	Carpenters	Electrical workers	Iron workers	Common laborers	Lathers	Painters	Steamfitters	Plasterers	Plumbers	Concrete workers	Labor Cost Index
New York	\$8.24	7.36	6.44	7.19	6.07	7.38	6.23	7.82	8.56	7.82	6.80	100
Atlanta	4.90	4.25	5.10	4.87	2.65	4.25	4.25	5.05	4.35	5.05	2.77	55
Baltimore	5.05	4.42	5.05	5.36	2.89	4.53	4.33	4.96	4.53	4.96	3.28	58
Birmingham	4.65	3.90	4.69	4.57	2.60	3.85	4.00	4.95	3.97	4.95	2.70	52
Boston	5.90	5.15	5.57	5.67	3.95	5.60	4.70	5.82	5.10	6.00	3.95	69
Chicago	5.65	6.00	5.91	6.04	4.16	5.36	4.98	5.67	5.73	5.70	3.68	70
Cleveland	5.66	5.61	5.38	5.60	4.57	5.41	5.15	5.51	5.31	5.51	3.85	70
Dallas	4.78	4.33	4.59	4.45	2.43	4.53	4.15	4.82	4.57	4.82	2.43	52
Denver	4.85	4.72	4.97	4.70	3.20	4.78	4.13	5.10	4.70	4.97	3.20	58
Detroit	5.80	5.60	6.06	6.04	4.42	5.30	5.10	5.60	5.30	5.90	4.33	73
Houston	4.78	4.50	5.06	4.50	2.85	4.70	4.26	4.93	4.70	4.88	3.03	56
Los Angeles	5.30	5.51	6.04	6.37	4.29	5.42	6.07	6.93	5.53	6.93	4.50	76
Miami	4.87	4.95	5.46	5.12	3.20	4.61	4.15	4.92	4.62	5.02	3.00	59
Minneapolis	5.13	4.68	5.23	4.90	3.80	4.85	4.51	5.14	4.85	5.30	3.95	64
Norfolk	4.25	3.45	4.31	4.25	2.00	3.93	3.45	4.15	4.15	4.15	2.00	44
Pensacola	4.15	4.04	4.34	4.75	2.04	3.14	3.10	4.60	3.62	4.61	2.14	46
Philadelphia	5.82	5.13	5.68	6.00	3.60	5.19	4.50	5.75	5.24	5.77	3.60	67
Pittsburgh	5.85	5.55	6.05	5.54	3.88	5.76	4.73	5.79	5.66	5.52	3.88	69
Providence	5.33	4.38	4.72	5.46	3.60	5.15	4.05	5.35	4.88	5.35	3.57	62
St. Louis	5.97	5.35	6.14	5.40	4.39	5.33	5.25	6.43	5.33	6.06	3.83	72
San Diego	5.50	5.52	6.19	6.37	4.46	5.45	5.49	6.51	5.45	6.93	4.44	76
San Francisco	6.53	5.93	6.17	6.37	4.73	5.60	6.43	7.88	6.51	7.84	4.39	82
Seattle	5.54	4.85	5.19	5.50	4.15	5.03	4.70	5.48	5.03	5.48	4.35	69
Washington, D.C.	5.50	4.54	5.40	5.00	3.21	4.98	4.80	5.44	5.90	5.40	3.21	62
Wichita	4.48	3.83	4.70	4.28	2.70	4.57	3.50	4.75	3.75	4.75	2.84	52

COST DISTRIBUTION ON TYPICAL SCHOOL IN NEW YORK CITY

Trade	Per cent of total job cost: Labor	Per cent of total job cost: Labor/Material
Bricklayers	6.0 per cent	10.0 per cent
Carpenters	4.2	13.0
Electrical workers	4.4	11.0
Iron workers	2.4	8.0
Common laborers	9.0	10.0
Lathers	0.6	1.0
Painters	2.4	3.0
Steamfitters	4.8	12.0
Plasterers	1.6	2.0
Plumbers	2.4	6.0
Concrete workers	12.0	20.0
TOTAL	49.8 per cent	96.0 per cent

A near-miss in Illinois on single vs. separate contracts

Some of the political aspects of the contest between proponents of separate contract bids and those who advocate a single general contract were underscored in a recent series of events in Illinois.

Owner-architect judgment should set bidding format

Previous columns (January, March) have stressed the importance of bidding systems which permit the owner, under advice of his architect, to exercise judgment in determining which format—whether separate or single bid—best serves his project needs. The trend in recent years has been to legislate the separate bid or split contract system into a must for public agencies.

The split contract is a format wherein separate bids are taken and contracts awarded for general construction work, plumbing, HVAC, and electrical work. Under this system, for a single building there may be as many as four (in some states the number is greater) separate prime contractors working on the job.

Illinois courts permit agency's choice of method

In Illinois, in 1966, the courts determined that the Illinois Building Authority was not bound by the separate bidding provisions of the State Purchasing Act. Since that time the I.B.A. has contracted some 40 projects, employing with considerable success both separate and single contract bids as circumstances warranted.

The subcontractor groups, understandably, were unhappy with this development. Separate bids had been required

on all public work in Illinois since 1959. As a consequence, the subcontractors urged upon the recent legislature an amendment of the purchasing act which would specifically include the I.B.A. within the mandatory split contract provisions. The I.B.A., many architects, general contractors, and other interested parties, including our firm, opposed the amendment.

Committee's bill would extend choice to all agencies

The debate before the House Committee considering the matter must have been lively, because the bill as reported out (and as previously passed by the State Senate) would have not only preserved the exclusion of the I.B.A. from the obligation to award split contracts, but would have excluded all other state agencies as well. It would have restored to all public building in the state the option of selecting a contract format—whether single or split—which in the judgment of the agency involved most suited the needs of the project at hand.

But house reverses stand and requires separate bids

Unfortunately—and this is the development that caused a hurried revision of this month's article—the bill as passed by the house was further amended. The strides made by the house committee toward flexibility and the exercise of judgment in taking construction bids were reversed. In final form, the bill required that all agencies—including the Illinois Building Authority—take separate bids

for the major mechanical and electrical trades. The agency may also invite separate bids for the entire construction package if it so chooses, but the award must be made to the bid or combination of bids which results in the least cost.

Single and separate bids just won't work together

This approach has been used elsewhere and it simply doesn't work. Subcontractors soon demonstrate that, confronted with this choice, their bids to the general contractor are much higher than those tendered to the agency. Indeed in many instances, subcontractors decline the option and refuse to submit any bid whatsoever to the general contractors.

It is hoped that Governor Kerr will veto the Bill. If he does, this issue will be reopened and hotly debated the next session of the legislature.

Mandatory format weakens project control

Clearly, the choice—whether separate or single contract—belongs with the agency and its architects, and not with the subcontractors affected. As pointed out before, mandatory separate bids encourage abuse and weaken project control.

Whatever the outcome, one may read some encouragement in the episode. The problems implicit in a mandatory separate bidding formula have been recognized, and this recognition can quite close to reversing a trend which many observers, both for and against, had thought to be irreversible.

Shopping centers dominate merchants' building plans

Shopping centers have almost completely dominated new construction plans for some types of stores, with one result being that centers are gaining on the total retail trade market at the rate of 2 per cent a year.

W. Donald Calomiris, Washington, D. C. president of the Institute of Real Estate Management, made this observation while addressing delegates attending the annual convention of Realtors from New England at Dixville Notch, New Hampshire, June 30. Irem is a professional affiliate of the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

Mr. Calomiris said that variety, general merchandise, department, and shoe chain stores all placed more than 90 per cent of their new units in shopping centers in 1966 and plan about the same ratios this year.

Nevertheless, he said, the demand for center-city retail outlets is still strong. Most central business district stores are enjoying higher absolute retail sales volume, even while continuing to lose their former high relative proportion of total retail sales.

"There are several trends of interest affecting the demand for central business district retail stores," he went on. "One is the increased amount of business being developed by serving a record number of office workers located in the central business district."

An additional factor is the emerging trend back to the central city by apartment residents, particularly in the luxury rental classes.

"Urban renewal," Mr. Calomiris advised, "has been at least partially responsible for helping to reverse the

previous trend away from the city." The flow at present is rather mixed.

A third factor affecting demand is the success of modern retail merchants in achieving higher sales volumes per square foot of retail area. This has made it possible for merchants to accommodate a greater volume of sales in a smaller area than was possible a decade ago, and it has permitted them to absorb some of the increase in the cost of doing business in the central business district.

"The real victims, if they can be called that, of the trends in retail trade are the so-called strip stores and the secondary retail areas peripheral to or outlying from the central business district," Mr. Calomiris concluded. "It is in these categories that most of the vacancies and marginal uses are found."

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JULY 1967 BUILDING COST INDEXES

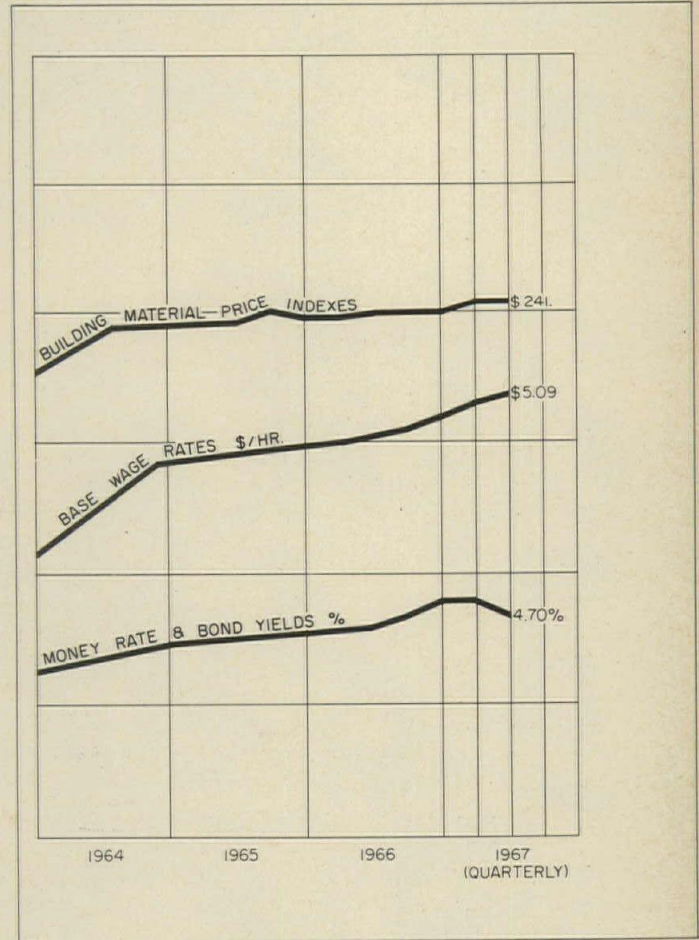
1941 averages for each city = 100.0

Metropolitan area	Cost differential	Current Dow Index		% change year ago
		residential	non-res. res. & non-res.	
U.S. Average	8.5	280.9	298.6	+2.18
Atlanta	7.2	332.1	338.1	+3.15
Baltimore	7.7	279.3	297.1	+0.69
Birmingham	7.5	258.7	278.1	+2.16
Boston	8.5	253.1	267.9	+1.65
Chicago	8.9	310.3	326.4	+2.42
Cincinnati	8.8	267.0	283.8	+1.41
Cleveland	9.2	288.1	306.2	+2.48
Dallas	7.7	262.9	271.5	+2.28
Denver	8.3	284.4	302.4	+0.98
Detroit	8.9	288.6	303.0	+4.28
Kansas City	8.3	251.2	265.9	+1.43
Los Angeles	8.3	285.2	312.0	+2.01
Miami	8.4	274.5	288.2	+1.82
Minneapolis	8.8	279.2	296.8	+2.23
New Orleans	7.8	252.4	267.4	+2.09
New York	10.0	296.0	318.4	+3.99
Philadelphia	8.7	278.0	291.9	+1.94
Pittsburgh	9.1	260.3	276.7	+1.07
St. Louis	9.1	279.1	295.7	+2.82
San Francisco	8.5	364.1	398.3	+2.99
Seattle	8.4	255.3	285.3	+1.94

Differences in costs between two cities may be compared by dividing the cost differential figure of one city by that of a second; if the cost differential of one city (8.0) divided by that of a second (8.0) equals 125%, then costs in the first city are higher than costs in the second. Also, costs in the second city are 80% of those of the first (8.0 ÷ 10.0 = 80%) or they are 20% lower in the second city.

The information presented here indicates trends of building construction costs in 21 leading cities and their suburban areas (within a 25-mile radius). Information is included on past and present costs, and future costs can be projected by analysis of cost trends.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS




HISTORICAL BUILDING COST INDEXES—AVERAGE OF ALL BUILDING TYPES, 21 CITIES

1941 average for each city = 100.00

Metropolitan area	1952	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966 (Quarterly)				1967 (Quarterly)			
								1st	2nd	3rd	4th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
U.S. Average	213.5	259.2	264.6	266.8	273.4	279.3	284.9	286.3	287.3	290.4	286.6	292.7	293.7	—	—
Atlanta	223.5	289.0	294.7	298.2	305.7	313.7	321.5	322.2	323.3	328.5	329.8	332.4	333.4	—	—
Baltimore	213.3	272.6	269.9	271.8	275.5	280.6	285.7	288.6	289.6	289.4	290.9	290.4	291.5	—	—
Birmingham	208.1	240.2	249.9	250.0	256.3	260.9	265.6	267.1	268.1	269.7	270.7	272.9	274.0	—	—
Boston	199.0	232.8	237.5	239.8	244.1	252.1	257.8	258.5	259.6	260.9	262.0	262.9	263.9	—	—
Chicago	231.2	284.2	289.9	292.0	301.0	306.6	311.7	312.6	313.7	318.9	320.4	320.4	321.3	—	—
Cincinnati	207.7	255.0	257.6	258.8	263.9	269.5	274.0	274.7	275.7	277.2	278.3	278.7	279.6	—	—
Cleveland	220.7	263.1	265.7	268.5	275.8	283.0	292.3	293.0	294.1	299.2	300.7	300.0	301.3	—	—
Dallas	221.9	239.9	244.7	246.9	253.0	256.4	260.8	261.7	262.6	265.8	266.9	267.6	268.5	—	—
Denver	211.8	257.9	270.9	274.9	282.5	287.3	294.0	294.6	295.5	296.6	297.5	297.6	298.5	—	—
Detroit	197.8	259.5	264.7	265.9	272.2	277.7	284.7	285.5	286.5	295.7	296.9	298.0	299.1	—	—
Kansas City	213.3	237.1	237.1	240.1	247.8	250.5	256.4	257.3	258.2	260.0	261.0	260.8	261.9	—	—
Los Angeles	210.3	263.6	274.3	276.3	282.5	288.2	297.1	298.0	298.6	301.6	302.7	303.6	304.7	—	—
Miami	199.4	256.5	259.1	260.3	269.3	274.4	277.5	278.4	279.2	282.9	284.0	283.4	284.2	—	—
Minneapolis	213.5	260.0	267.9	269.0	275.3	282.4	285.0	285.7	286.6	288.3	289.4	292.0	293.1	—	—
New Orleans	207.1	242.3	244.7	245.1	248.3	249.9	256.3	257.1	258.0	258.8	259.8	262.3	263.4	—	—
New York	207.4	265.4	270.8	276.0	282.3	289.4	297.1	297.8	298.7	302.8	304.0	309.4	310.6	—	—
Philadelphia	228.3	262.8	265.4	265.2	271.2	275.2	280.8	281.7	282.6	285.3	286.6	287.1	288.1	—	—
Pittsburgh	204.0	243.5	250.9	251.8	258.2	263.8	267.0	268.9	270.1	270.7	271.7	272.2	273.1	—	—
St. Louis	213.1	251.9	256.9	255.4	263.4	272.1	280.9	282.2	283.2	287.0	288.3	290.3	291.3	—	—
San Francisco	266.4	327.5	337.4	343.3	352.4	365.4	368.6	376.2	377.7	384.7	386.0	388.1	389.2	—	—
Seattle	191.8	237.4	247.0	252.5	260.6	266.6	268.9	271.1	272.1	273.9	275.0	276.5	277.5	—	—

Costs in a given city for a certain period may be compared with costs in another period by dividing one index into the other; if the index for a city for one period (200.0) divided by the index for a second period (150.0) equals 133%, the costs in

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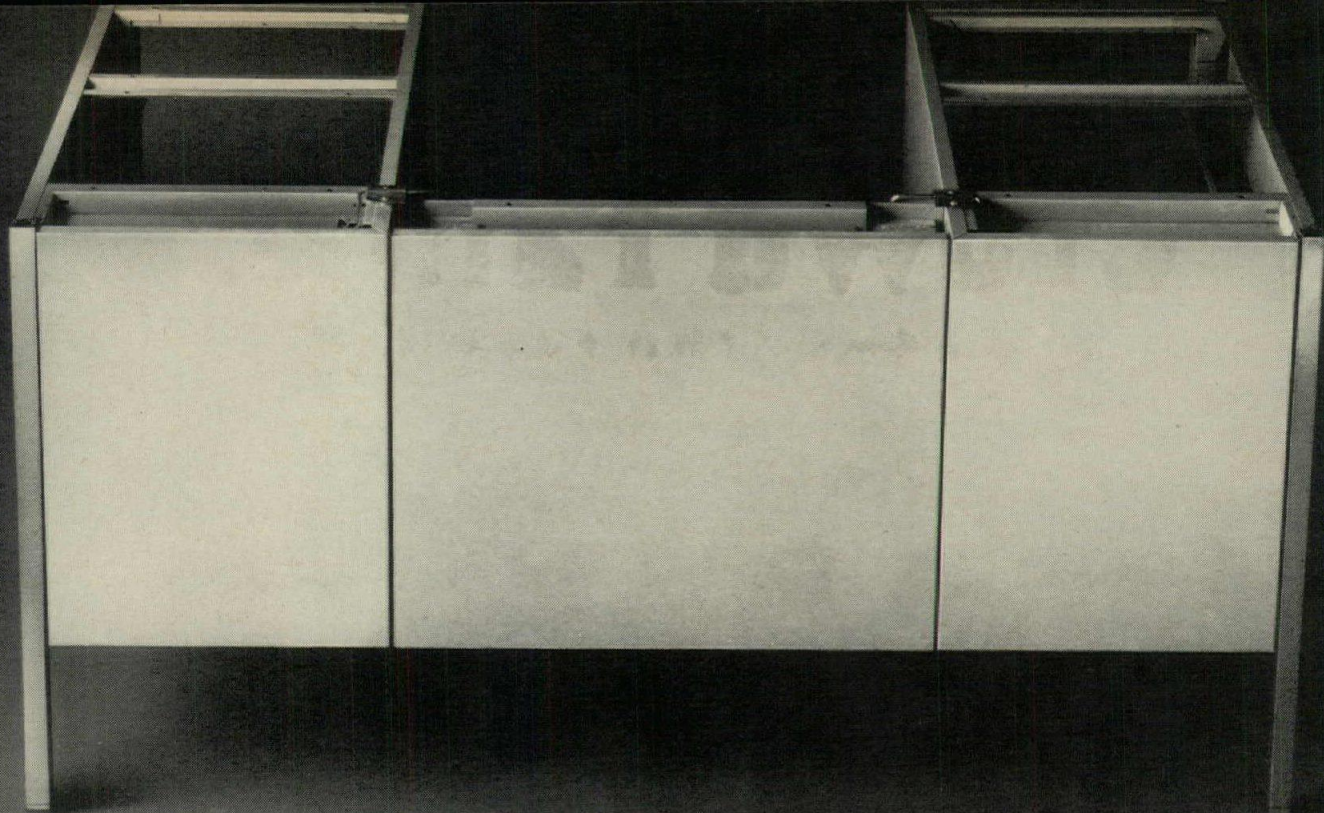
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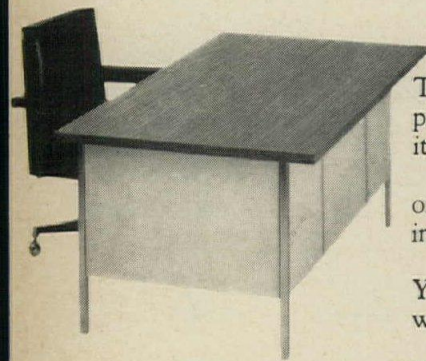
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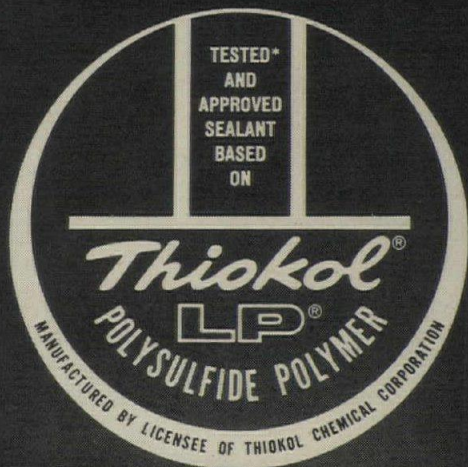
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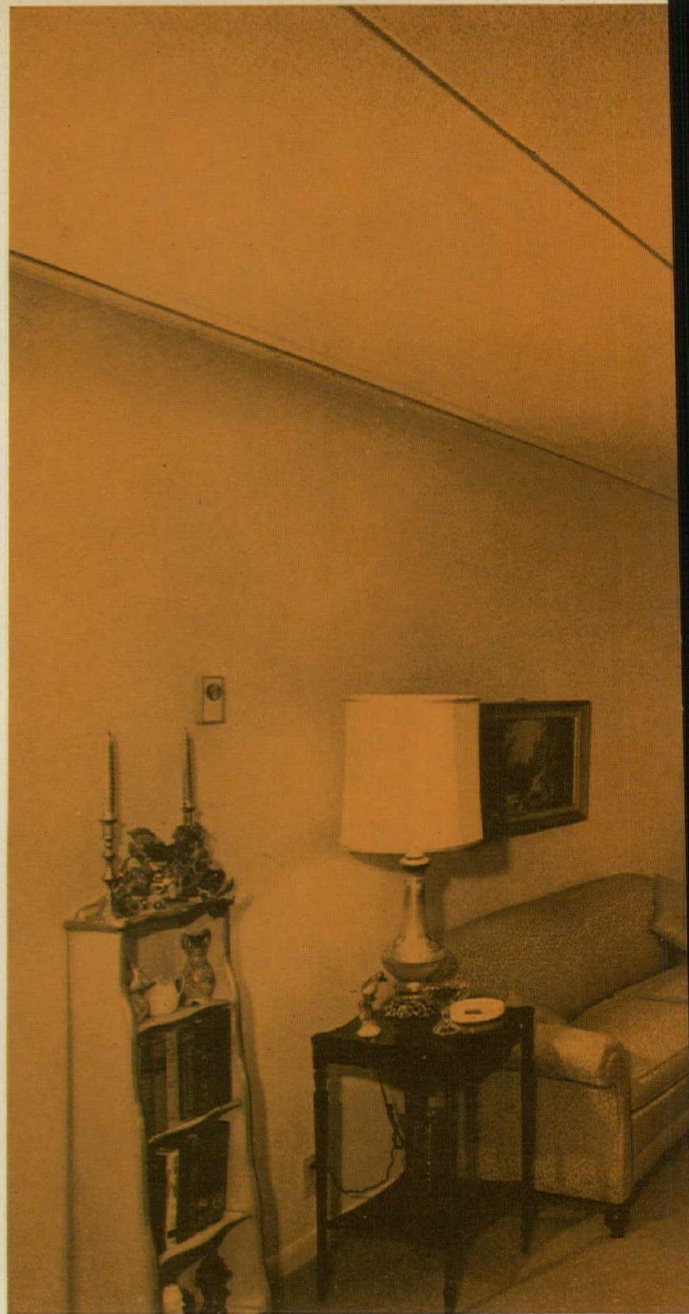
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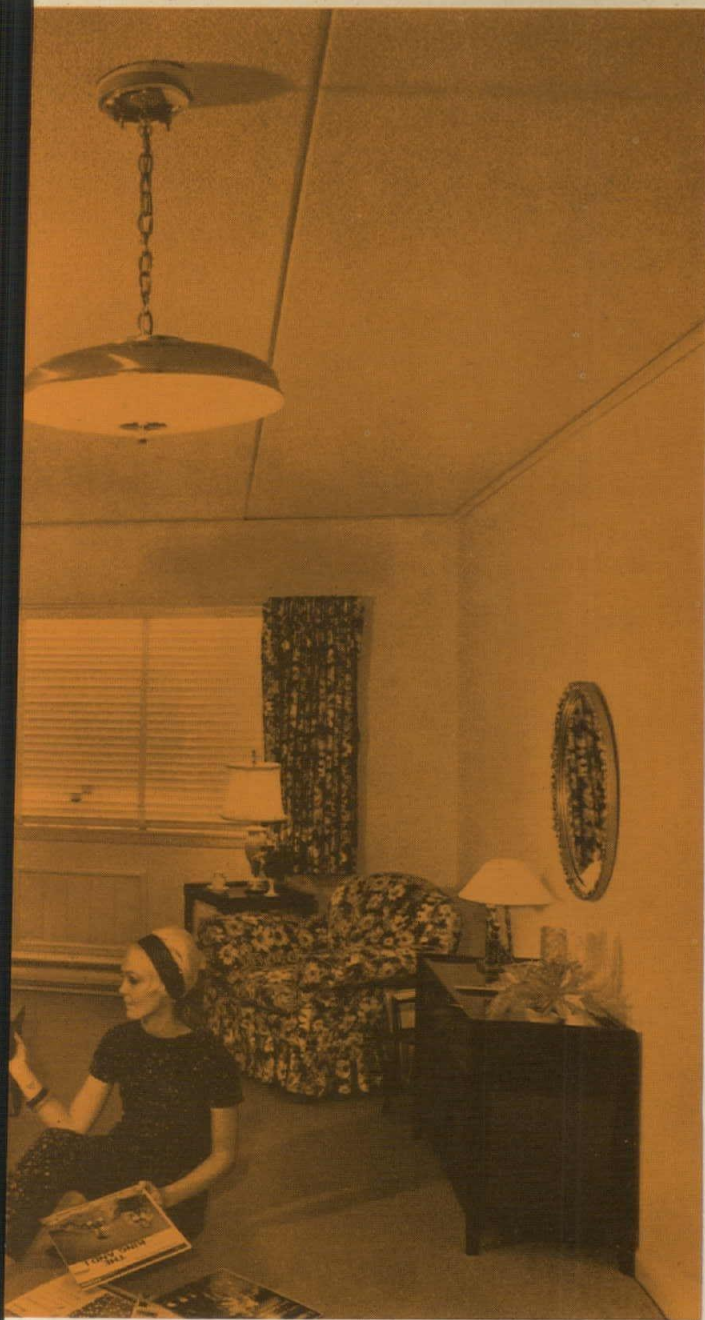
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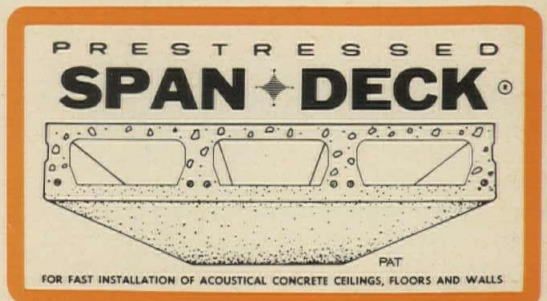
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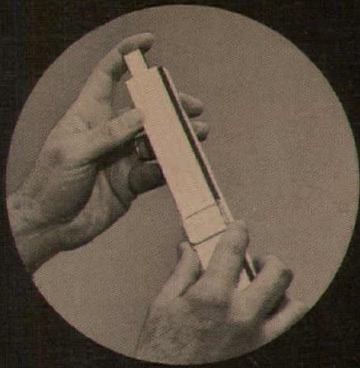
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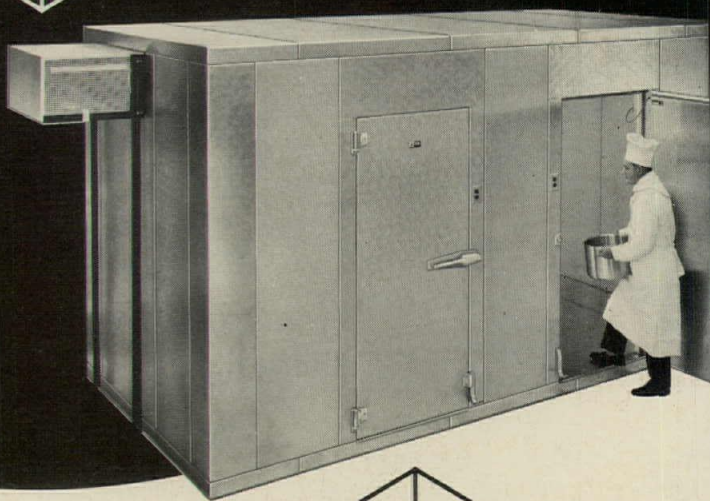
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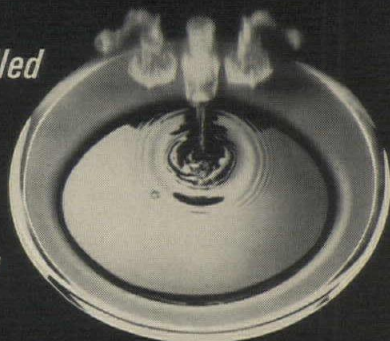
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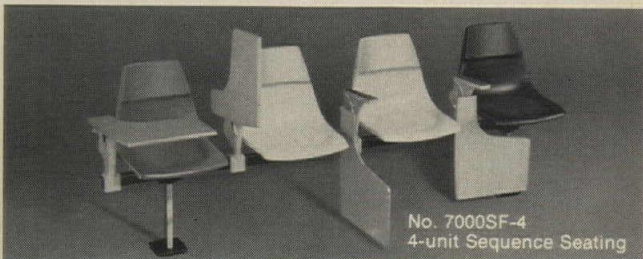


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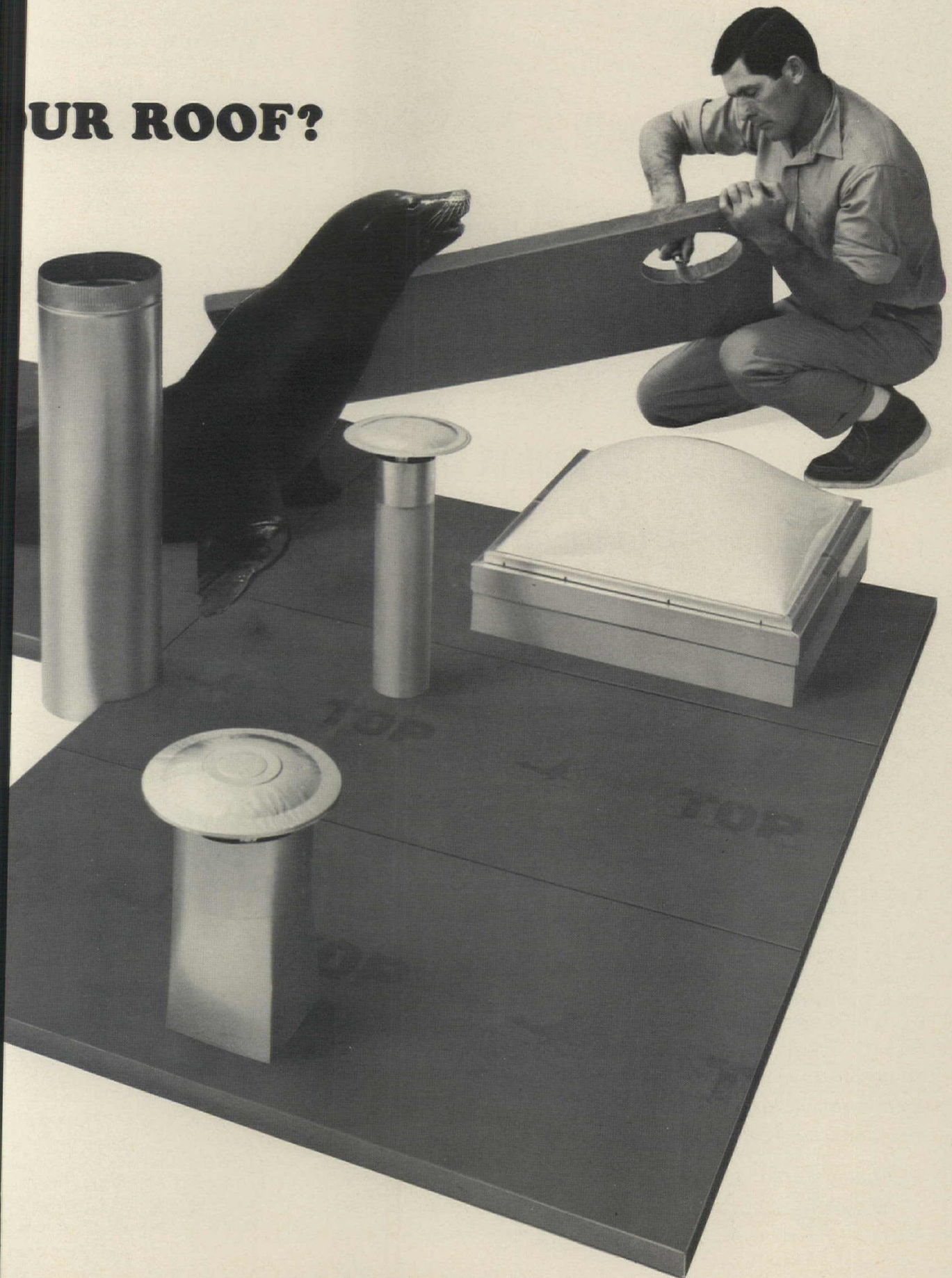


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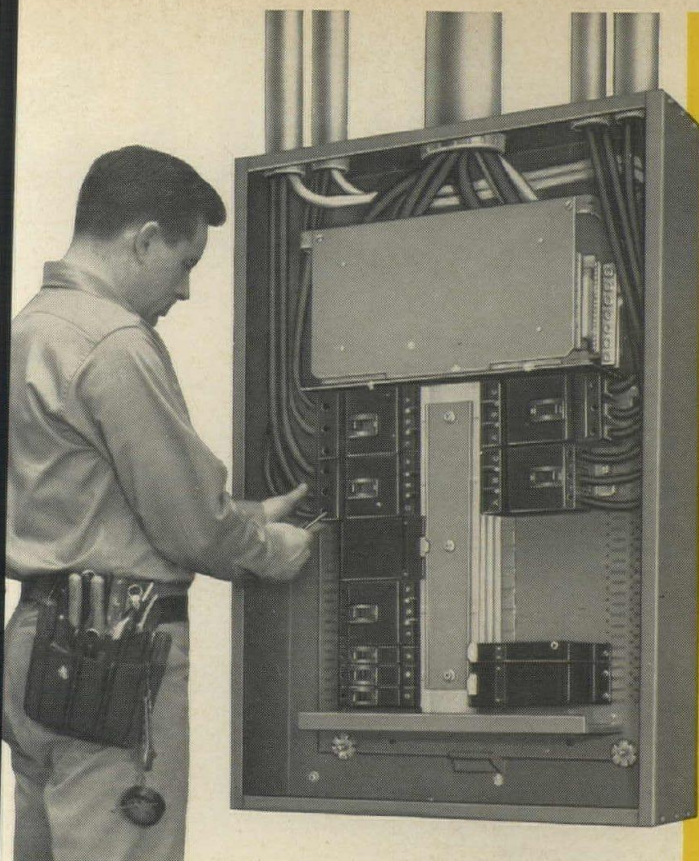


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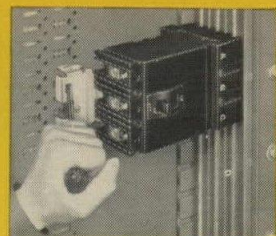
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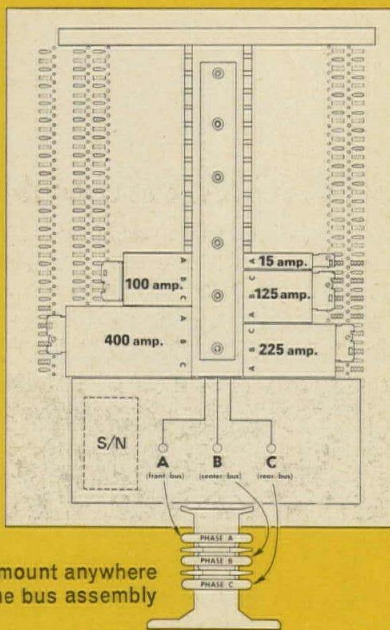
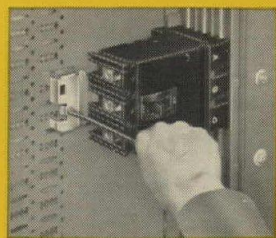
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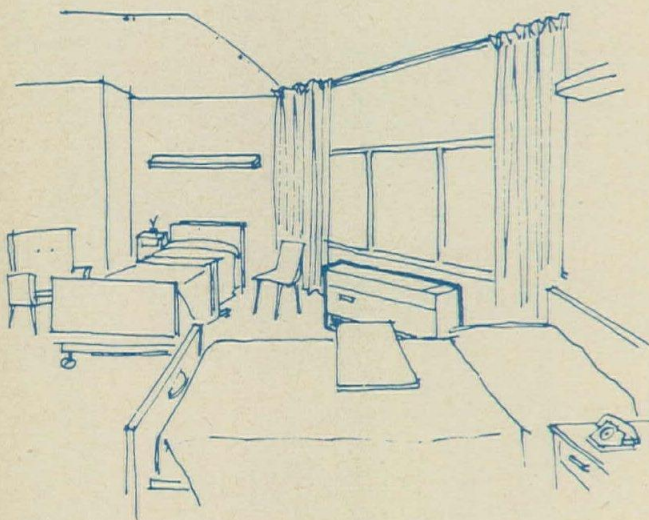


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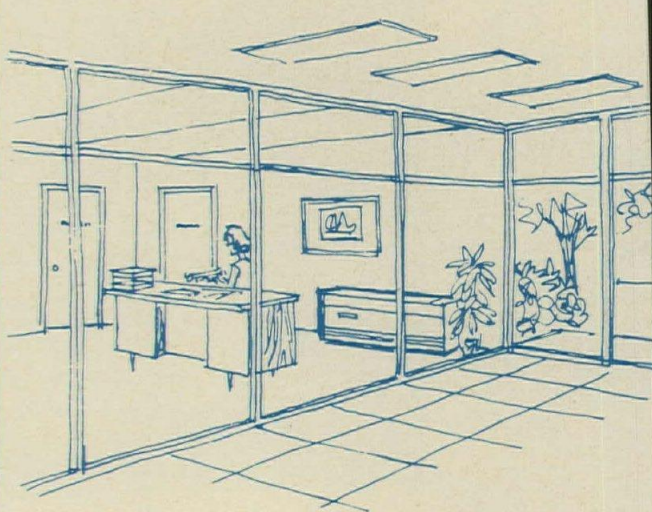
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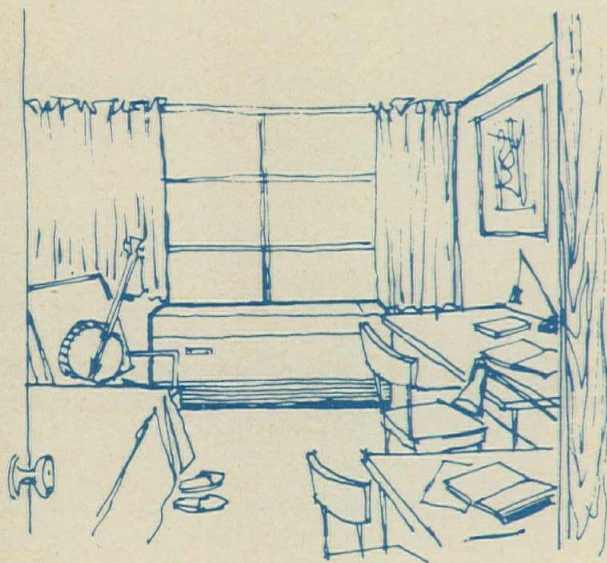
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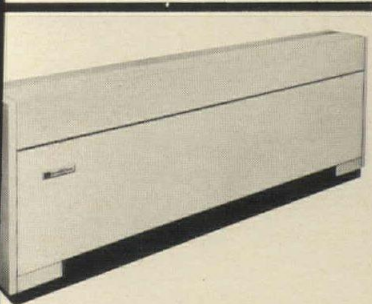


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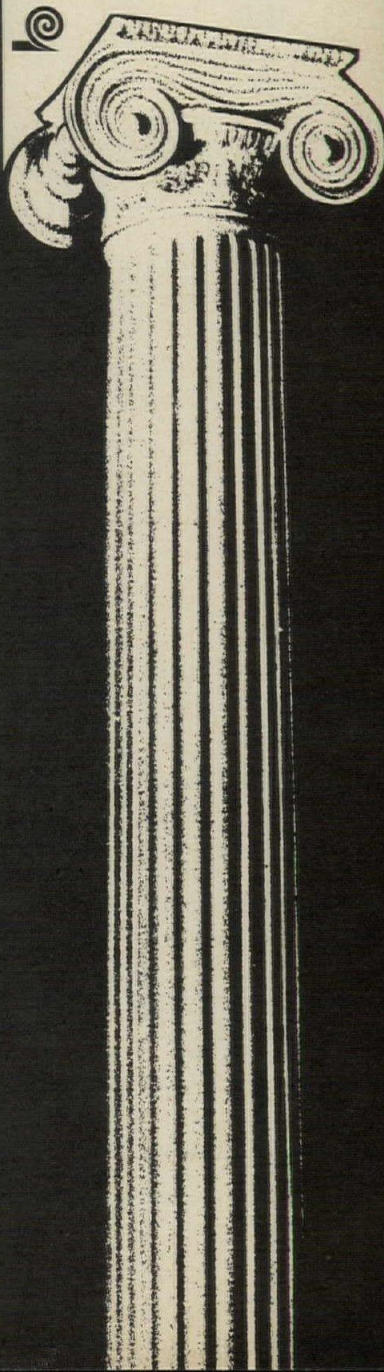
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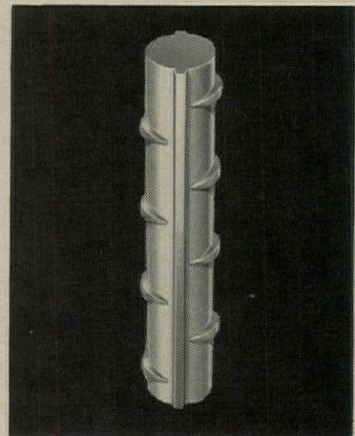


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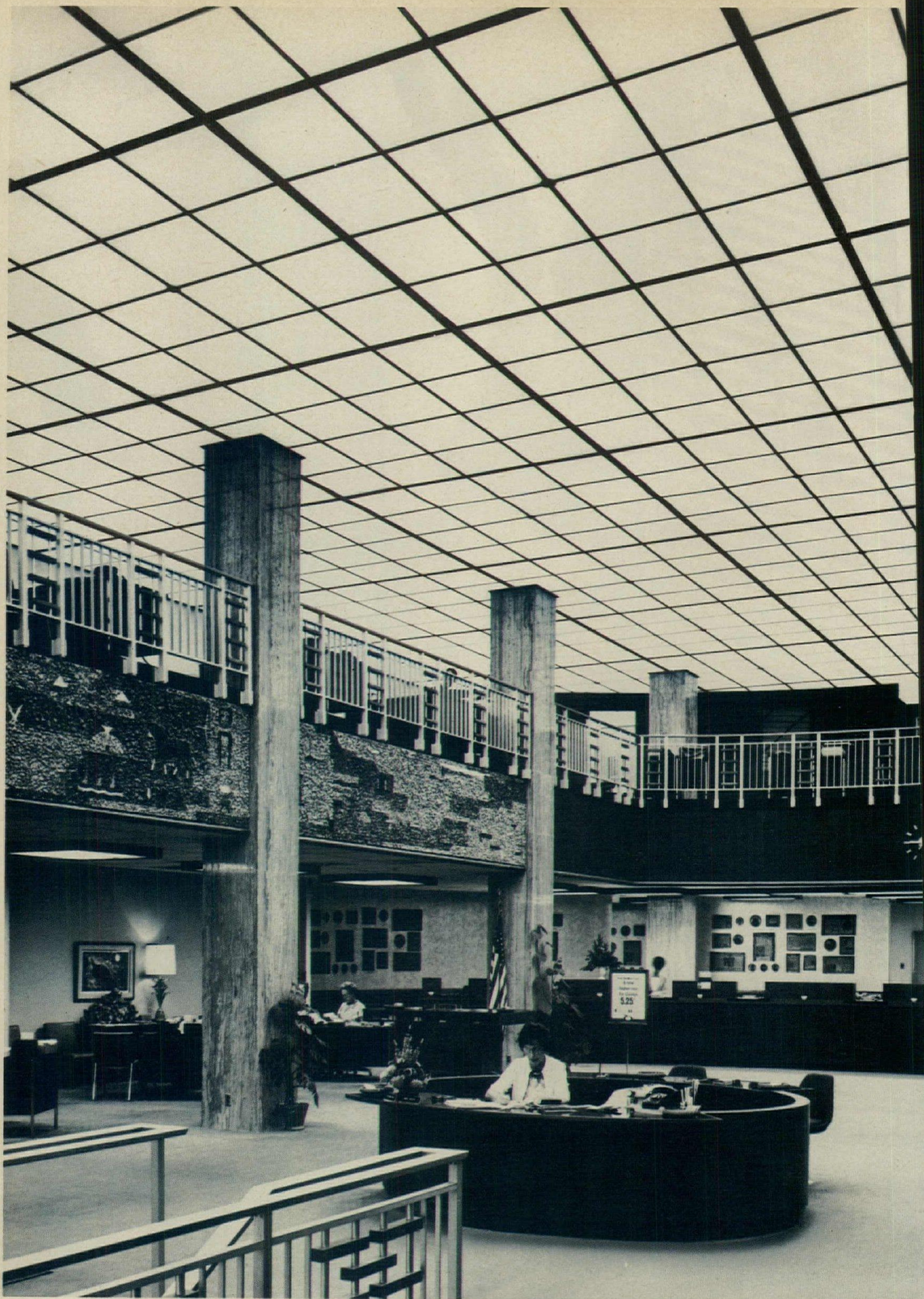
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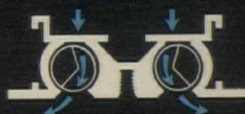
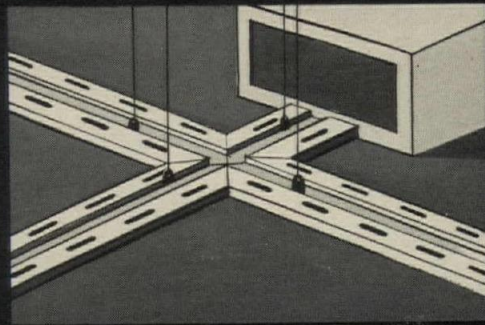
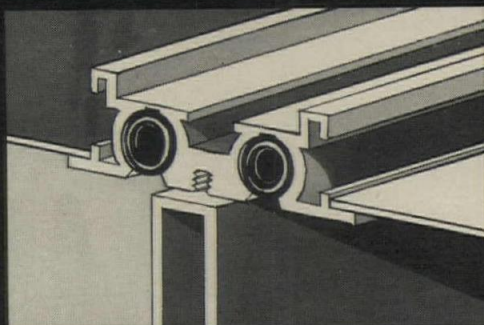
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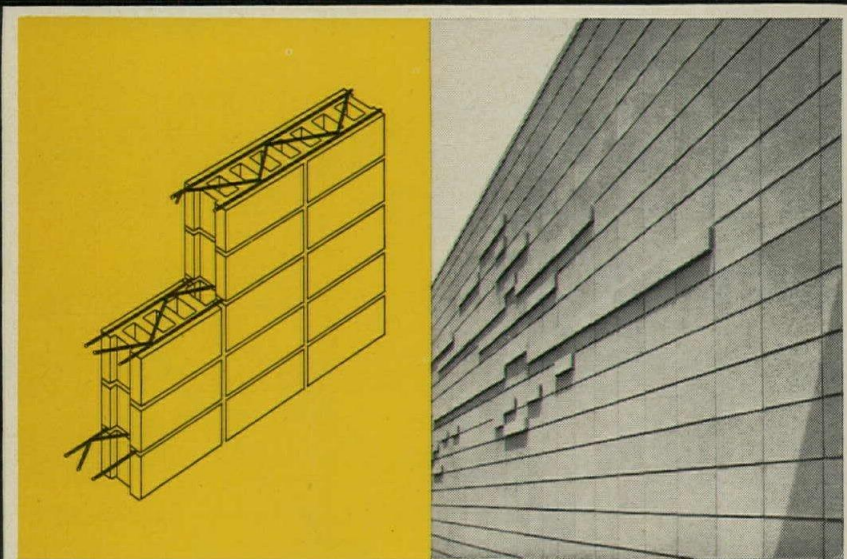


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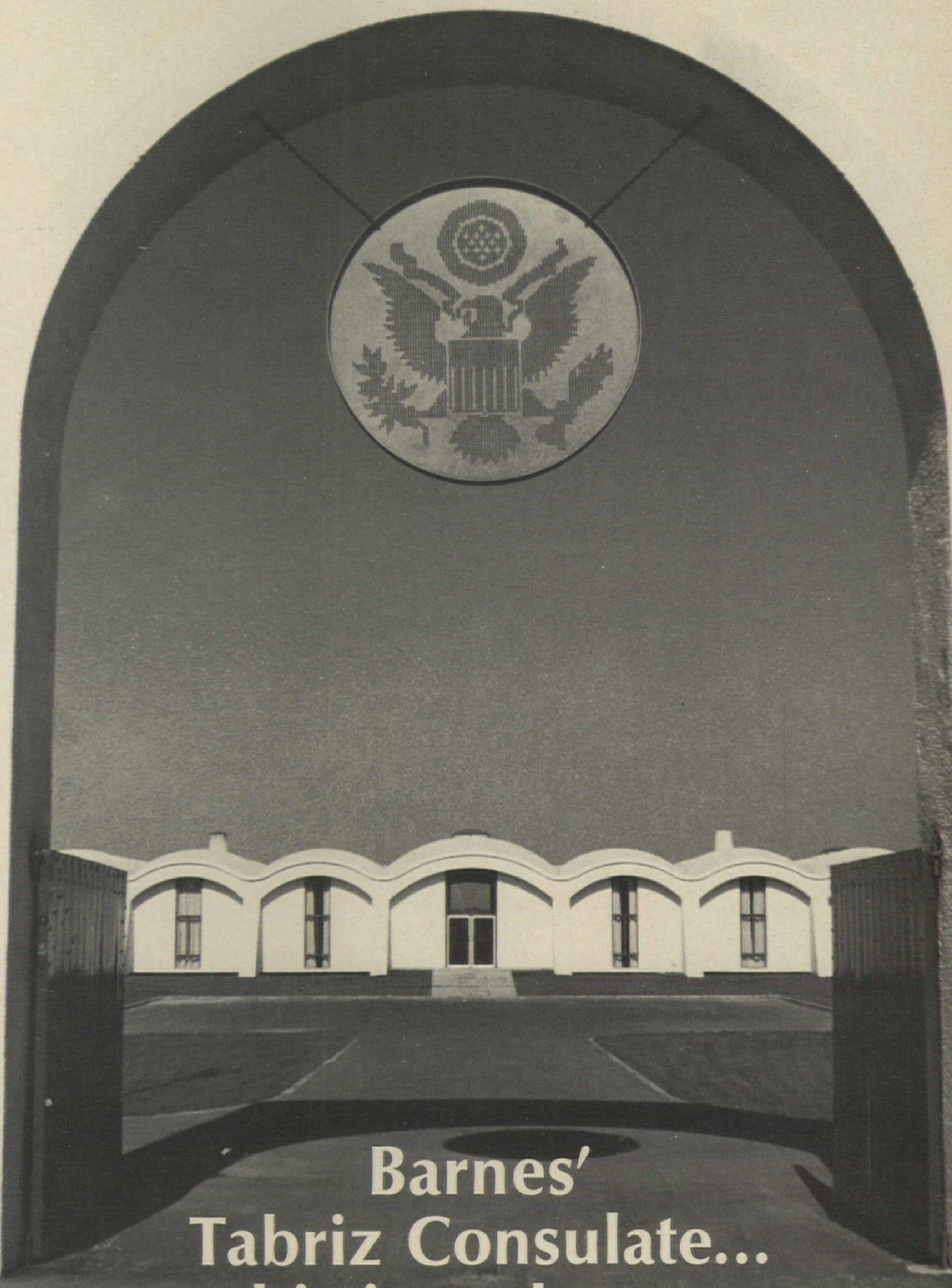
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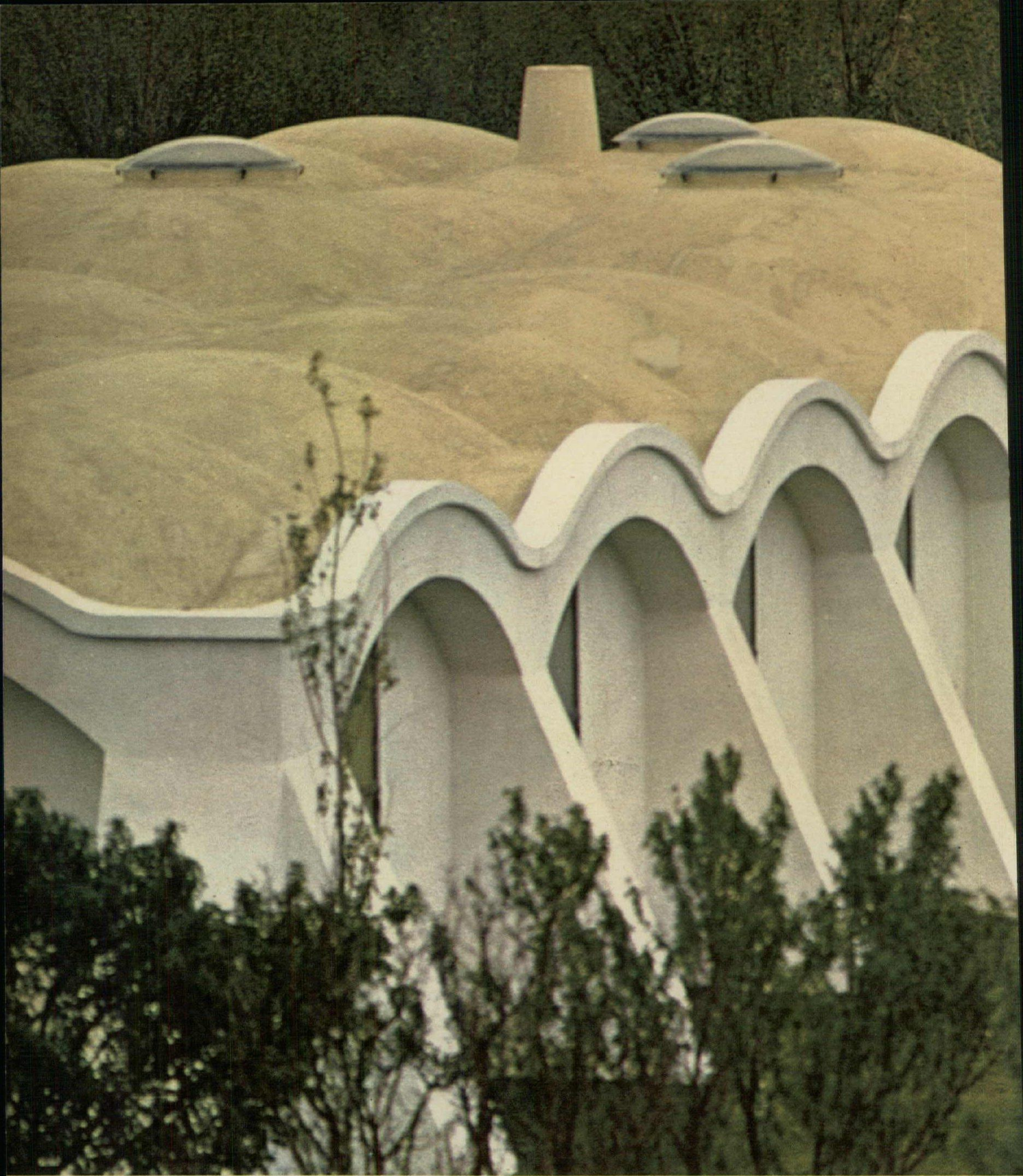
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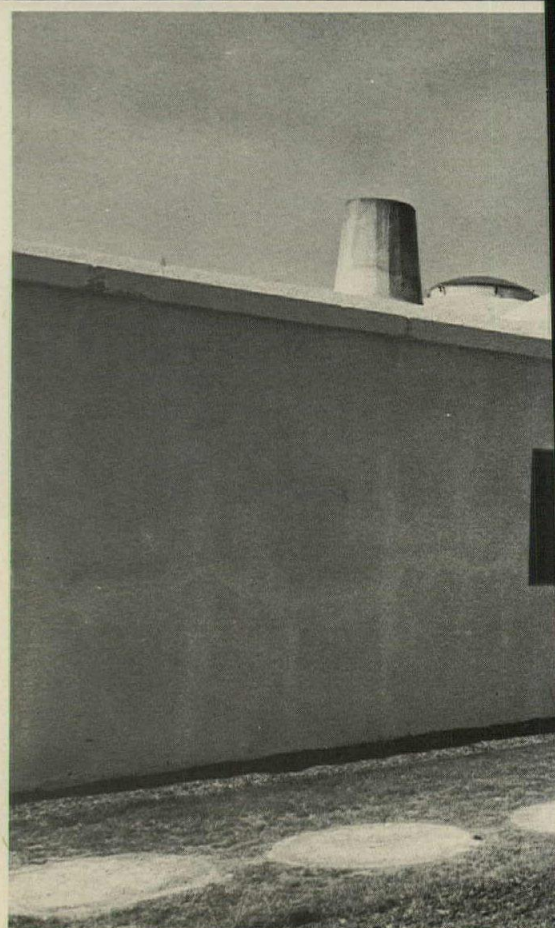
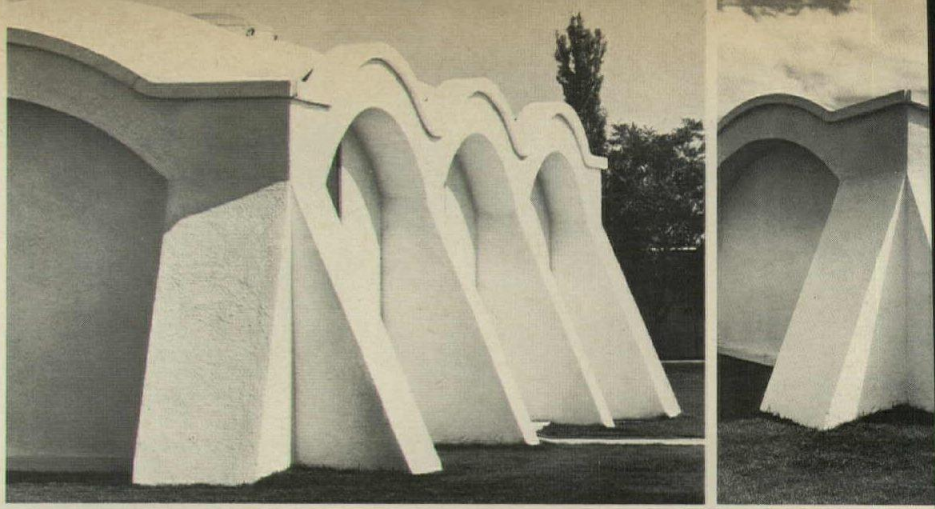
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Tradition, which has been creeping back into architectural vocabularies under various guises for some time, has a handsome new representation in the United States Consulate for Tabriz, Iran.

In his development of the design, Edward Larrabee Barnes has given reasoned sway to his theory of "continuity" in architecture—that "any single building is conditioned by what is around it, and by what came before". The conditioning, in this case, came from the native Iranian villages, with their mud-covered brick walls, domes, walled compounds and gardens.

"In an advanced industrialized country such as the United States", Barnes has written, "the likelihood is that, if the architect resorts to primitive means of construction, such as solid masonry walls laid out by hand, or a mosaic floor, he is doing it for effect. Such effects have their place, but they are essentially decorative and peripheral to the main courses of architectural development . . . However, in backward countries, the architect who employs advanced techniques imported from industrialized countries may be forcing the impractical. Where labor is cheap, the work of human hands becomes a part of a matrix of an architecture reserved for special locations. In northern Iran, where there is still a strong use of brick vault construction, it seemed to me that the natural idiom for architecture would be just that—brick."



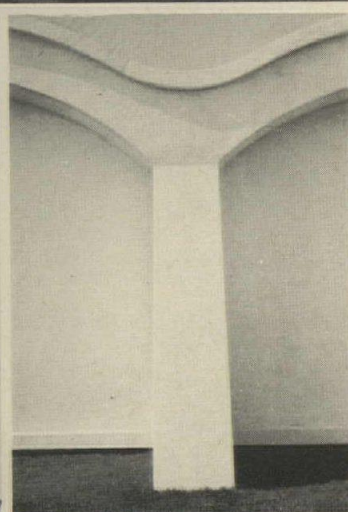
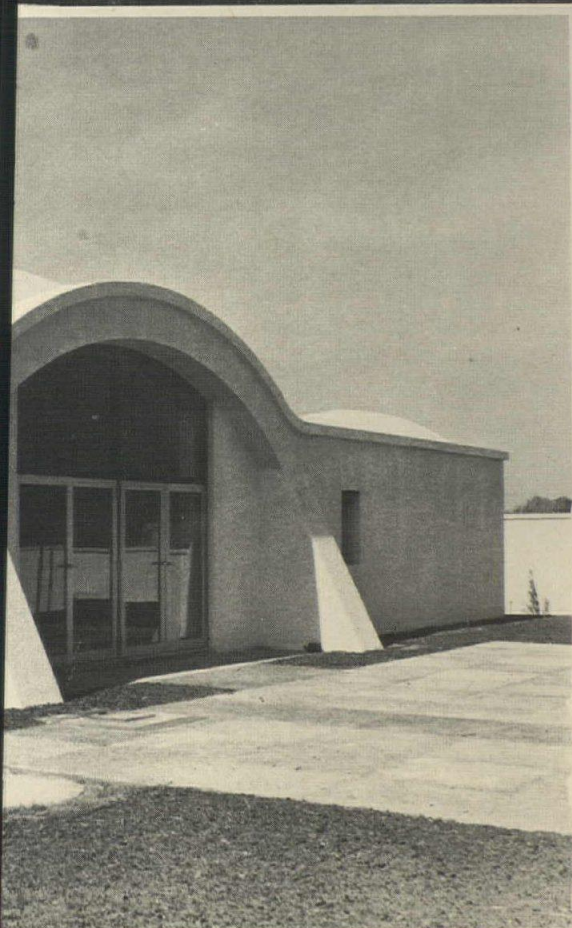


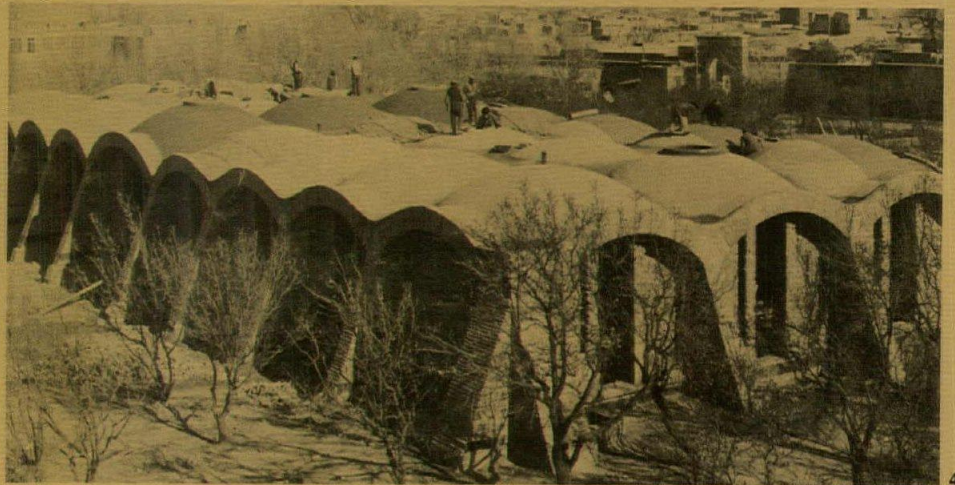
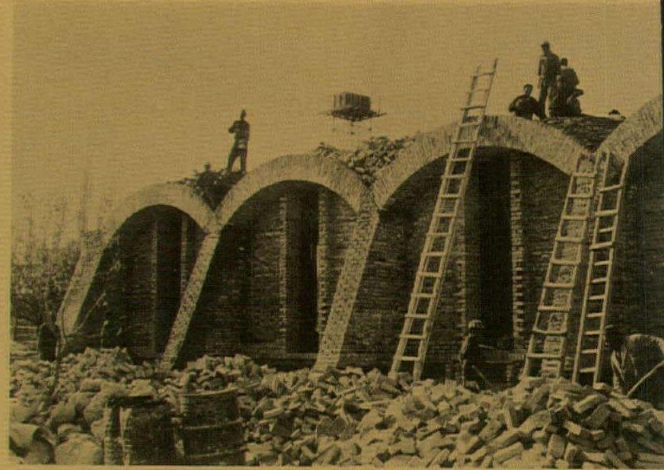
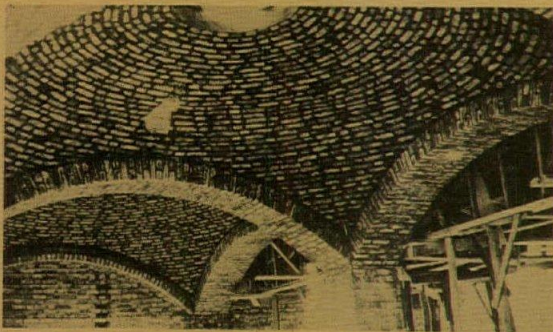
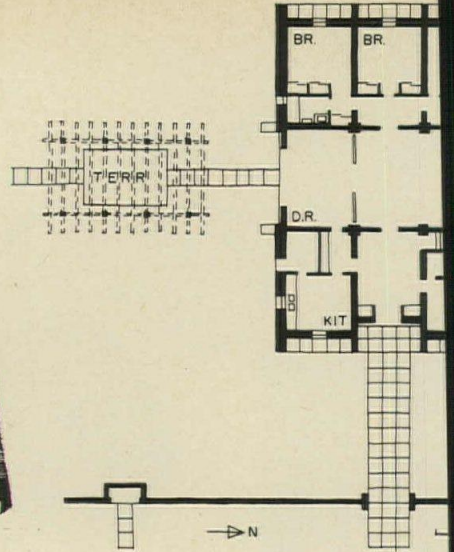
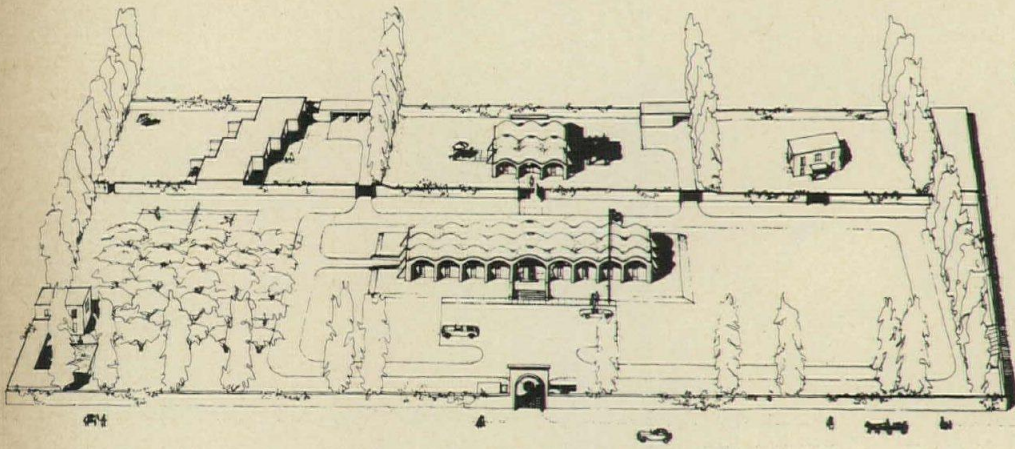
Revolt, in the sense of some degree of architectural assertiveness, is one quality which Barnes pits against that of architectural continuity. In this consulate, assertion is made by its color.

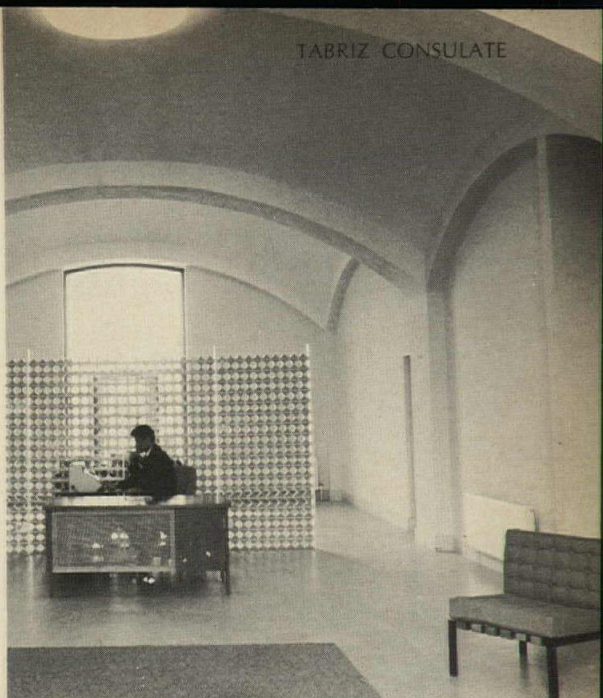
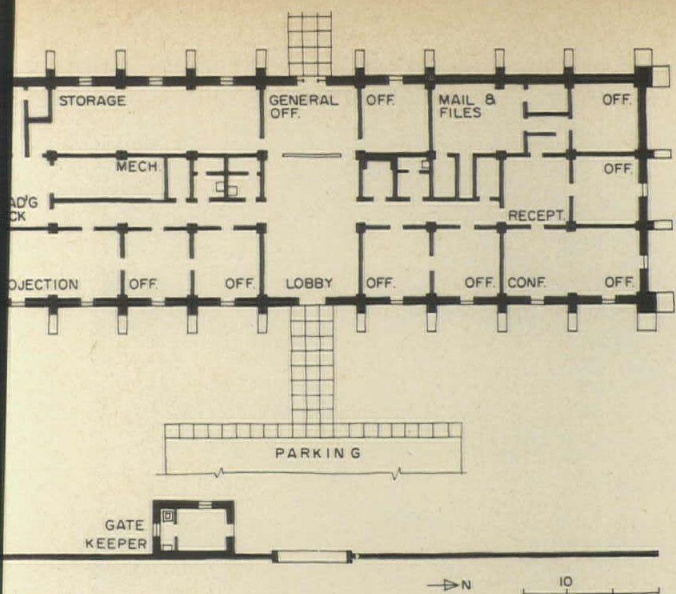
"For hundreds of miles around Tabriz," Barnes comments, "the little mud brick villages are self-sufficient and primitive. The soil is red-brown, so are the towns, and when the dust blows so are the people." In contrast to this ambience, Barnes has injected white-stuccoed, strong-shadowed and sculptural angularities which forcibly recall snapshots of the buildings on the Greek island of Mykonos.

The original brick walls of a farm and almond grove previously occupying the site have been retained, with an arched white gate leading into the compound of offices, consul's residence, and a few existing buildings which have also been retained. Staff apartments have been planned for later construction. Each of the buildings is given its own inner court by white walls and rows of poplar trees.

The structural shapes of the ribbon arches, barrel vaults, thin-shell domes and buttresses have been carefully studied and refined into a sophisticated, abstract sculpture, as can be clearly seen in the photos. The larger office building is a cascade of repeated domes, while the consul's residence (three detail photos this page) has three elliptical domes abutting six barrel vaults.







Synthesis of age-old construction methods with contemporary engineering has been made in the buildings. "What luxury to find a fully-developed, highly-refined system of compression architecture, 2,000 years old, with craftsmen able to carry it out," Barnes has commented. "All we added to the local esthetics was, we hope, a sophistication and refinement not found in their architecture. Our buildings are disciplined for the engineering, it is true, and proportions and spaces are carefully considered. We took care of the earthquake problem by keeping buildings one-story and by adding an earthquake ring—a poured concrete beam around the periphery which binds it together. Our whole vocabulary consisted of the arch (and its extension, the barrel vault), the dome (which is essentially the intersection of two arches), and the elliptical dome (which is a logical next step)."

The progressive stages of the brick construction are seen in the tinted photos at left: the ribbon arches in place (1), addition of the domes (2), addition of the infilling walls (3), and topping the roof (4). The exteriors are all stuccoed, and the finished interiors are plastered. Both the office building and the consul's residence are somewhat formally planned with regular bays, and a dome or vault over each.

The only significant change from the original sketch (upper left) is the shifting of the residence from the central axis.



Timelessness is a possibly-not-unexpected quality achieved through Barnes' approach to the design of the Tabriz Consulate. Though it is decisively contemporary in its simplicity, strength and sophistication, there is an inherent romantic recall in the mere use of flowing curvilinear shapes. Such forms are in themselves a significant departure from Barnes' usual concern with the varied disposition of flat planes. However, he has developed them in much the same manner: use of a single material, adherence to and repetition of a single strong design idea.

In addition to reflecting the local village construction and scale, the flat compound and domes of the consulate also echo the terrain—a plain edged with rounded mountains near the Russian border.



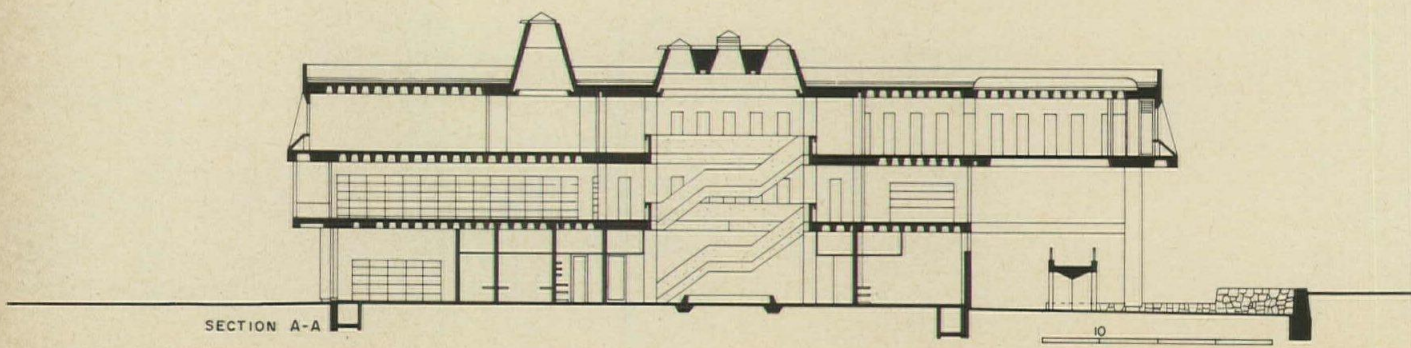
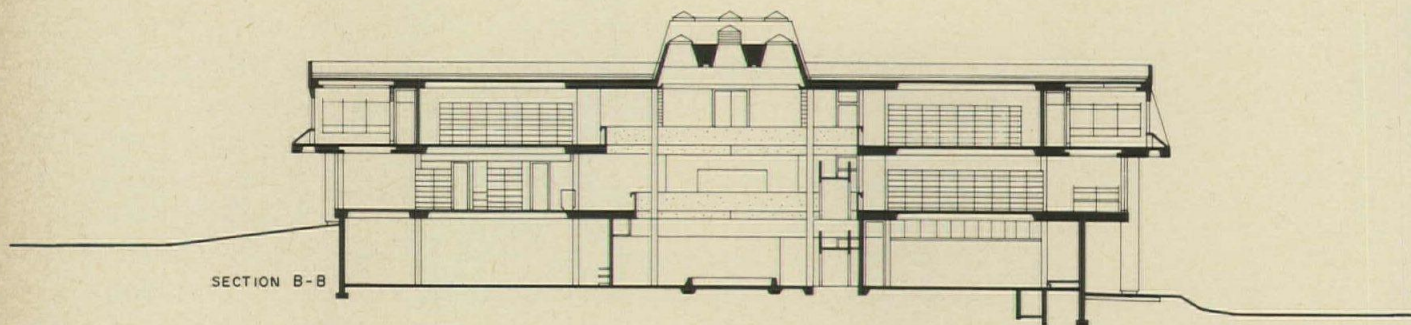
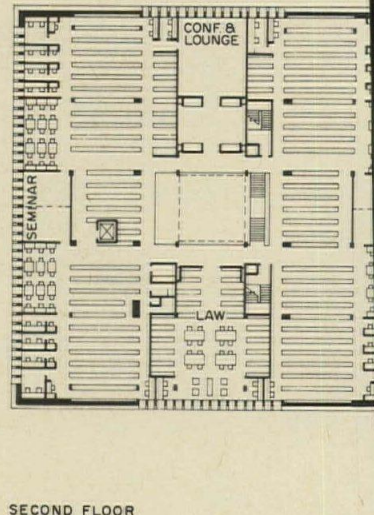
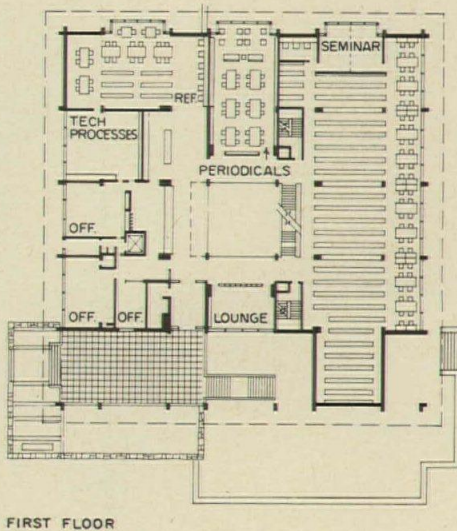
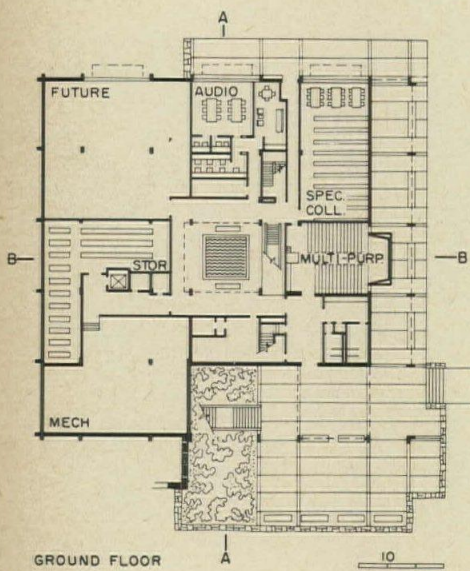
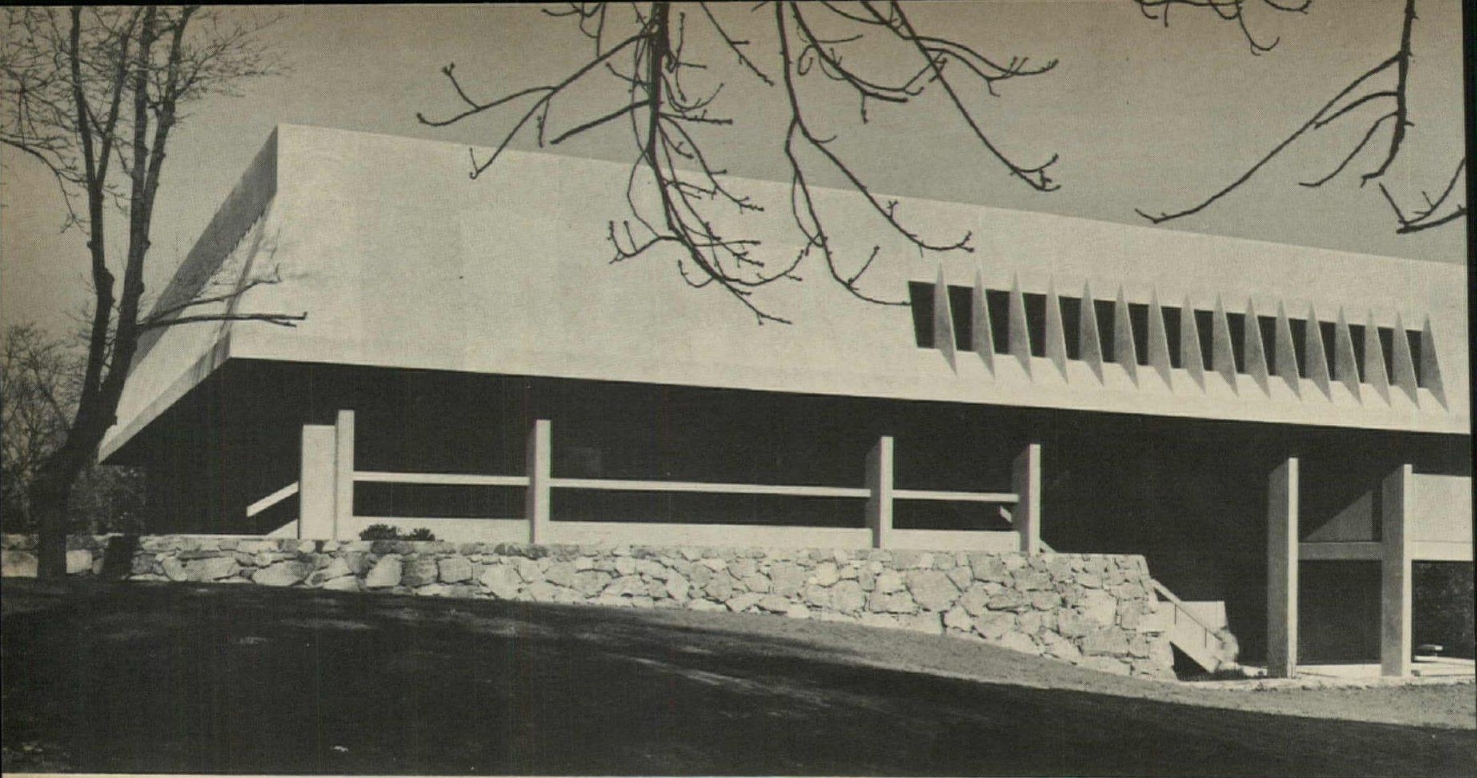
Phokion Karas photos

A seminary library sets a high architectural standard for the archdiocese of Boston

■ St. John's Seminary's new library in Boston's Brighton district occupies a wooded rise within sight of the large and imposing official residence of Richard Cardinal Cushing, located just within the border of the St. John's Seminary campus. Because the new library was to be constructed in the Cardinal's back yard, so to speak, the religious institution's directors and the Cardinal himself were eager to build a distinguished work of architecture. In addition, function as well as proximity seemed to justify major architectural effort, since the library was planned not only as a facility for the college, but also as a resource center for the entire archdiocese, the many pastors and curates, and 17 small missionary seminaries in the greater Boston area.

Architects Paul J. Carroll and Sanford R. Greenfield have produced an essentially symmetrical building of poured-in-place and precast concrete constructed upon a strict module established by the spacing of book stacks. Within this rigid discipline they have achieved a strong basic shape, excellent interior spaces and a well-integrated mechanical and electrical system.

The seminary's administrators, intrigued and pleased by their interesting and good new building, have recently improved their curriculum by the addition of a well-attended course in architectural design.



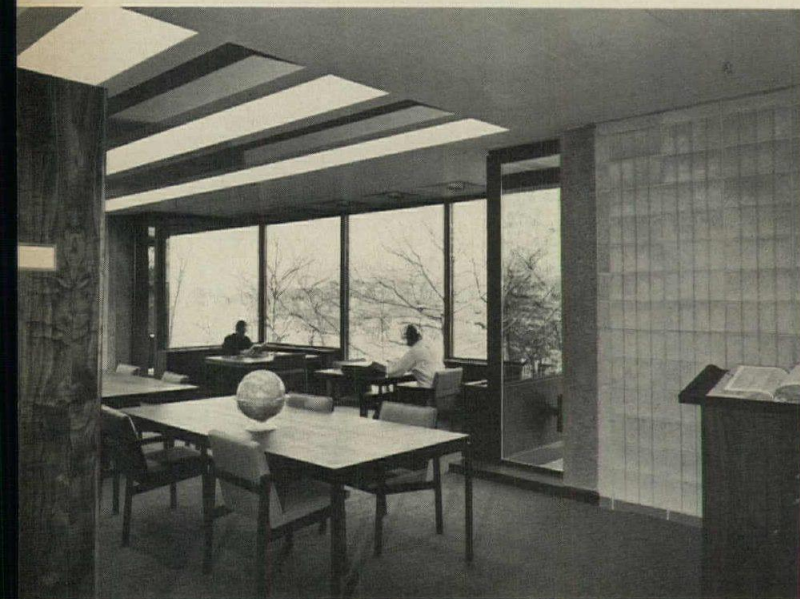
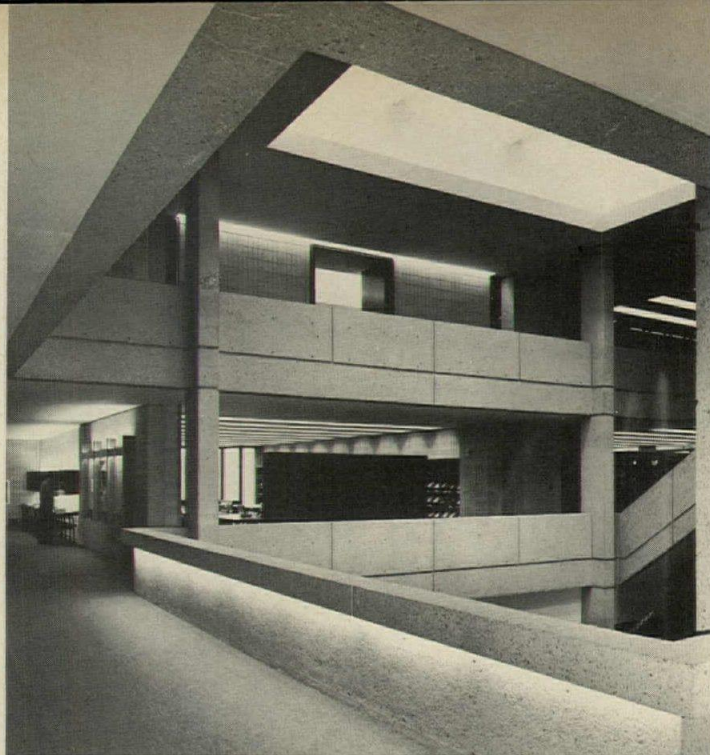


basic structural system for book stack areas, as shown in the plans and sections at left, consists of one-way ribbed slabs of reinforced concrete spanning about 27-foot bays. The ribs are 17 inches on center to coordinate with stack spacing and are 12 inches wide. The voids left by the ribs are 20 inches wide and 16 inches deep. Every other rib is equipped with a fluorescent troffer, and becomes a recessed lighting fixture for casting light upon the shelves and the aisles between them. Corridor and auxiliary spaces are located within a 6-foot-6-inch by 27-foot column grid. Perimeter bays of the ground floor are punctuated at the projecting outside edges by a continuous band of 30-inch- by 12-inch- by 12-inch-deep domes. These domes form a very handsome soffits which can be seen in the photograph at the right. Fan coil units and pipes are located within the triangular space at this cornice as shown in the section. Fresh air intakes and ducts for the fan coil units are located in a continuous joint at the perimeter.

The ratio of reader space to volumes in open stacks is relatively high as called for by the program, which accounts for the absence of large reading areas and the relatively high percentage of small study carrels. The central well facilitates visual control of all three floors from the main desk.



Central skylighted wells of the type shown at the right are not permitted by the technologically outdated building codes still in force in Boston. The Boston Building Commission, after a formal appeal, made their first major exception for this three-story vertical space.



Interior spaces are well lit, as in the periodical room shown above. Broad expanses of glass shaded by deep overhangs and surrounding trees bring a generous amount of daylight to reading areas, technical and office space, and stacks. Adjacent to the periodical room is a reference area, shown at left.

LIBRARY FOR ST. JOHN'S SEMINARY, Boston, Massachusetts. Architects *Carroll and Greenfield*; structural engineers: *Souza and True*; mechanical engineers: *Fitzmeyer and Tocci*; electrical engineers: *Harman Associates*; landscape architect: *Homer K. Dodge*; materials technologist: *Herman Protze*; library planning consultant: *Philip McNiff*; general contractor: *Monahan Corporation*.



The pleasant informality of this house—so well attuned to its wooded site—is in fact the result of considerable design sophistication shown most clearly in the straightforward plan, the carefully balanced exterior massing, and the meticulous detailing.

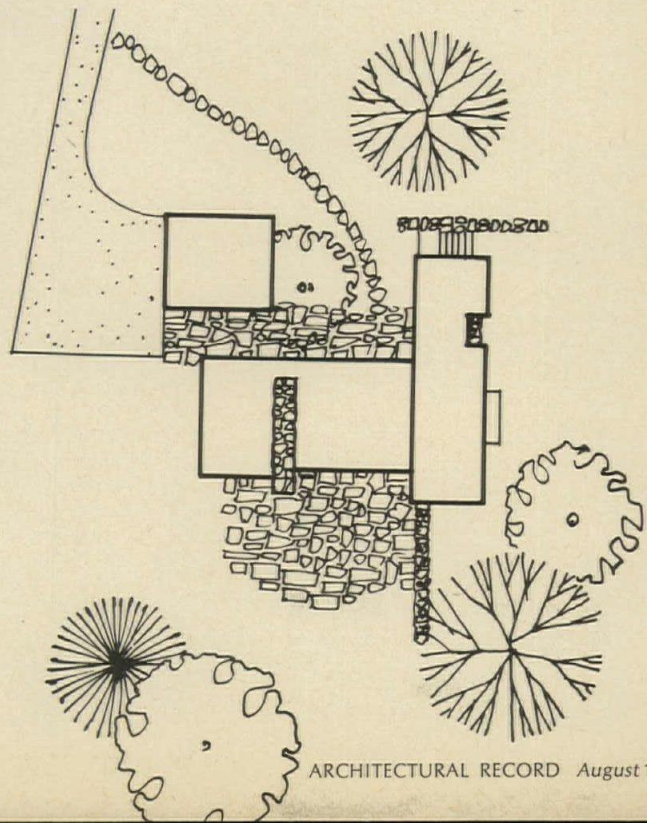
The plan, a simple though unusual one, provides excellent zoning by placing the master bedroom on the ground floor separated by the living pavilion from the two-story guest, children's and service wing at the other end of the house. The master bedroom is itself separated from the living area by a dominant rubble-stone fireplace wall. In addition to the wall's importance inside, its height and mass balance the two-story bedroom wing outside.

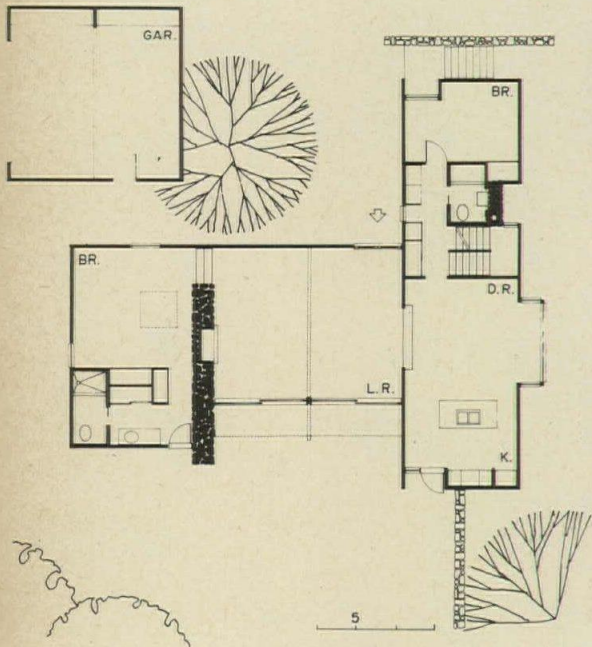
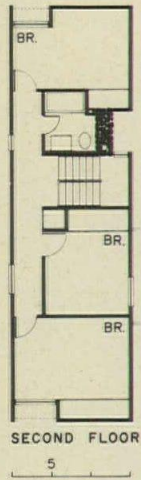
The architect has accomplished an easy and natural relationship between the house and the outdoors through the use of glass walls that give direct access to the garden and visual continuity of indoor and outdoor spaces.

Exteriors are of vertical cypress siding—stained dark grey—to blend quietly and effectively with the surrounding woodlands.

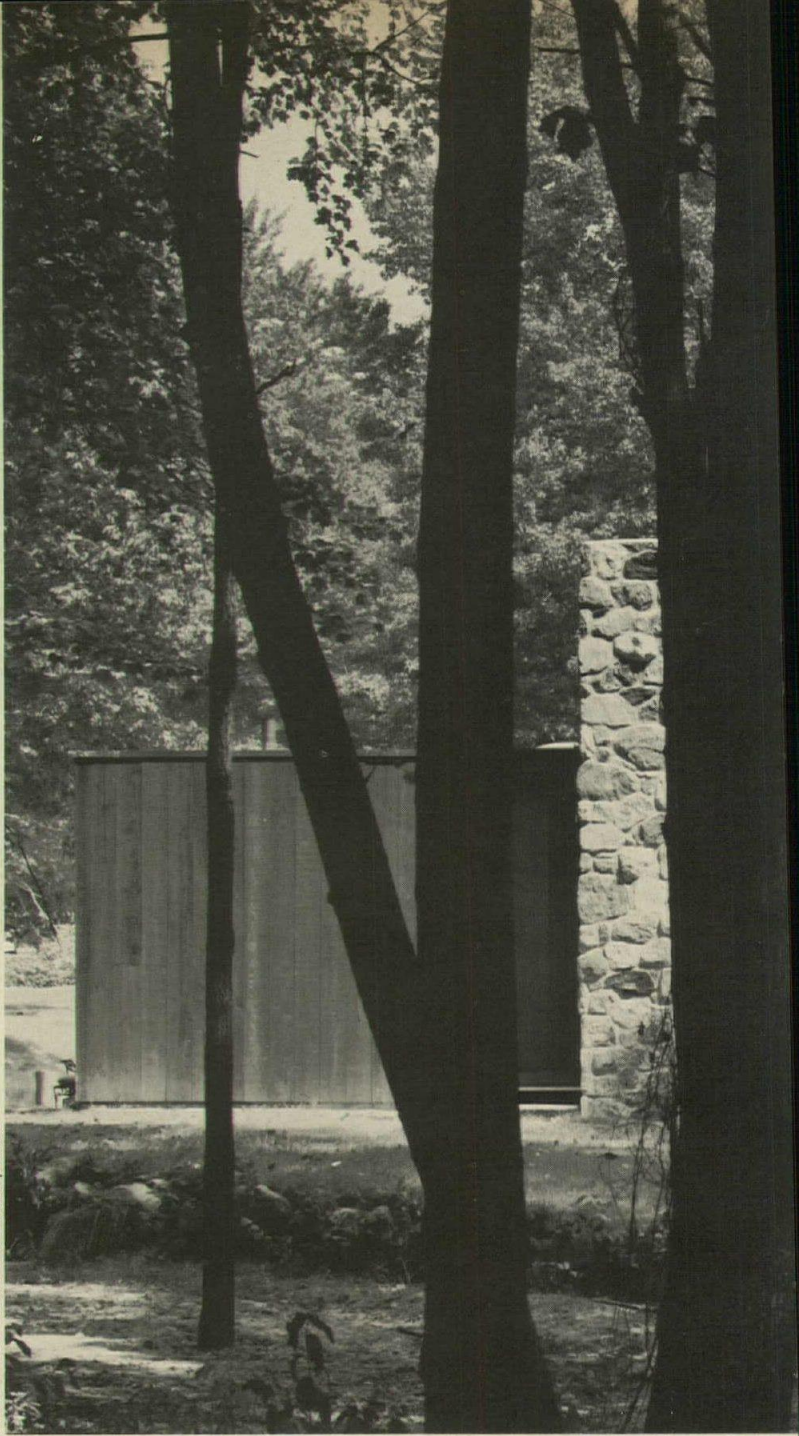
RESIDENCE for Mr. and Mrs. Michael Costello, Kings Point, New York. Architect: *George Nemeny*—associates: *Richard Henderson, Debora Reiser*; engineers: *Edward Klausner*; contractor: *William Whaley*.

HOUSE AND SITE INTEGRATED BY SENSITIVE DESIGN, METICULOUS DETAILING





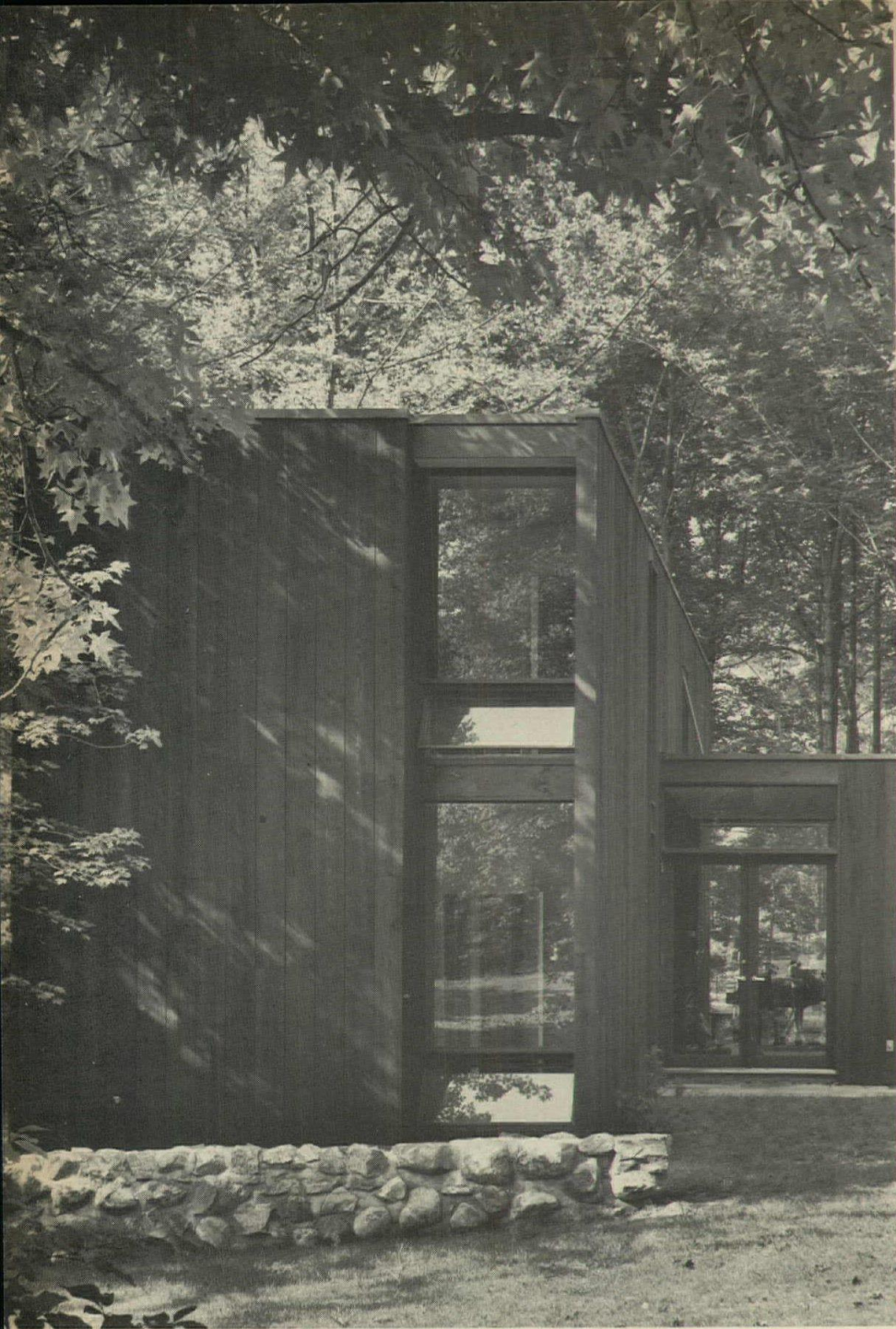
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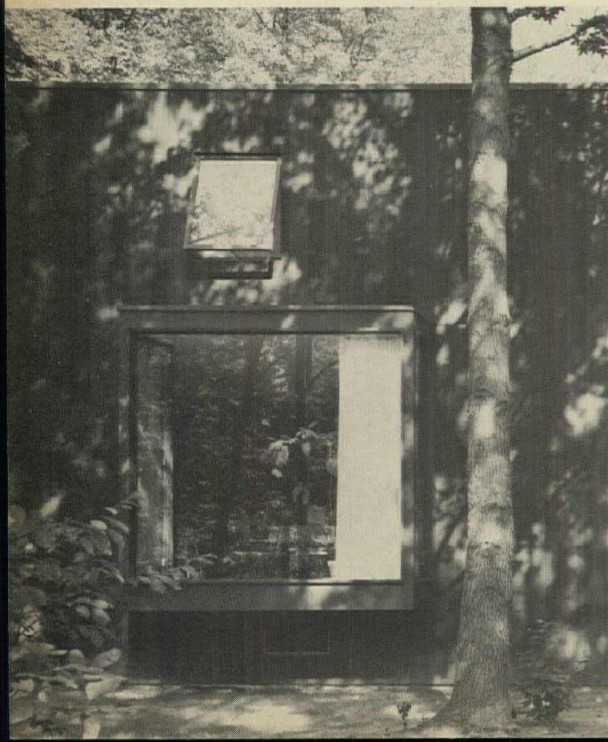
Natural stone retaining and fireplace walls contrast effectively with the wood and glass and give an added strength and sense of permanence to the structure. The living room gains considerable character by having one wall of stone, the strength of which is to some extent balanced by the exposed ceiling beams and some well-designed, but fairly solid modern furniture. The structure of the house is wood frame on concrete foundation with stained cypress walls and a built-up roof. Cypress is also used extensively on interior partitions. Other interior materials include: white plaster ceilings, blue stone floors in the living areas and ceramic tile in the bathrooms. Construction cost—exclusive of lot, landscaping and furniture—was about \$60,000.



Bill Maris photo



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Well-planned and well-executed details are an important factor in the success of any building, but perhaps particularly so in a house of this kind, where so much reliance is placed on restrained, uncluttered form and the textural effect of natural materials. Fenestration is especially important in this context and if mishandled can considerably detract from the over-all design. In the Costello house, although there is considerable variation of window treatment, the placing, detailing and careful juxtaposition of sizes, and of projected and recessed glazing gives vitality to the elevations without in any way destroying the unity of the total scheme. The same care and attention to detail can be seen throughout the interior.



RECREATION:

a chance for innovative urban design

More people, more free time, more people with free time—and a mounting need for recreation within the boundaries of the places where people are, the already crowded cities. Solving such a problem takes imagination and vision, and one city—perhaps the least likely, New York—is setting the pace for the country in using both imagination and vision to provide a program of recreation activities and facilities for the creative use of leisure.

The key to New York's innovative program is its insistence that only the best design is acceptable for its program. With the goal of making the city a more pleasant place to live, it should do no less. The Department of Parks' recognition that design is its most potent tool for effecting quality is a giant step toward achieving its goal. Clearly (see following pages) architects and allied designers have the talent to share the challenge and the responsibility.

—Elisabeth Kendall Thompson

From top to bottom:
 Rochdale Village Park, Queens.
 Architect: Richard Stein.
 River Walk, Hudson River Parkway, Manhattan.
 Landscape architects: Zion & Breen.
 Fountain Cafe, Central Park, Manhattan.
 Architect: James Lamantia.
 Riding Stables and Police Precinct Station,
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 Architects: Kelly & Gruzen.

OPEN SPACE DESIGN: NEW YORK SHOWS HOW IN ITS PARK PROGRAM

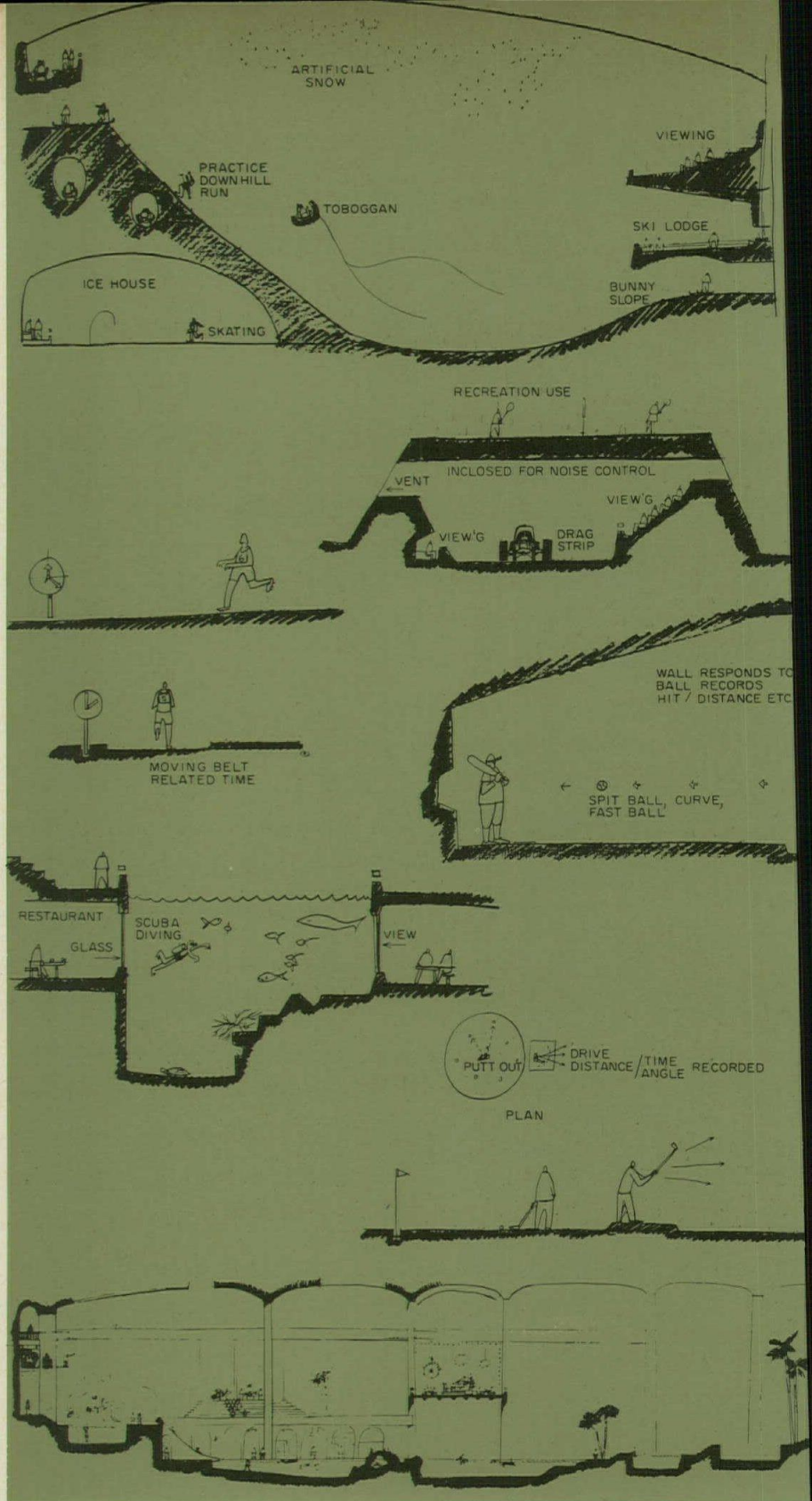
By Arthur Rosenblatt, A.I.A.
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Among the assets of urban living for which New York City is noted, mention is seldom if ever made of the city's open spaces and recreational opportunities. And for good reason. In amount and quality of open space and recreational facilities, New York is and has been—like so many cities—for a long time notably deficient.

But New York has begun to make up for its apathy, and its beginning is more than just modest, even though the accomplishment still falls short of the need. The problem of overcoming the many years of marking time is not easy, interwoven with politics and personalities, the changing economic mix in our cities and stagnation of urban facilities.

What can a city do in the face of such obvious need for breathing spaces, particularly in the most crowded lower-income neighborhoods? What can it hope to do without the most creative analysis of the problems and the most creative search for solutions? What can it hope to do without calling upon the best talents of the best designers for the maximum (and most innovative) contribution they can make? But how often does "the art of the possible" become the limit of the policy-maker's horizon?

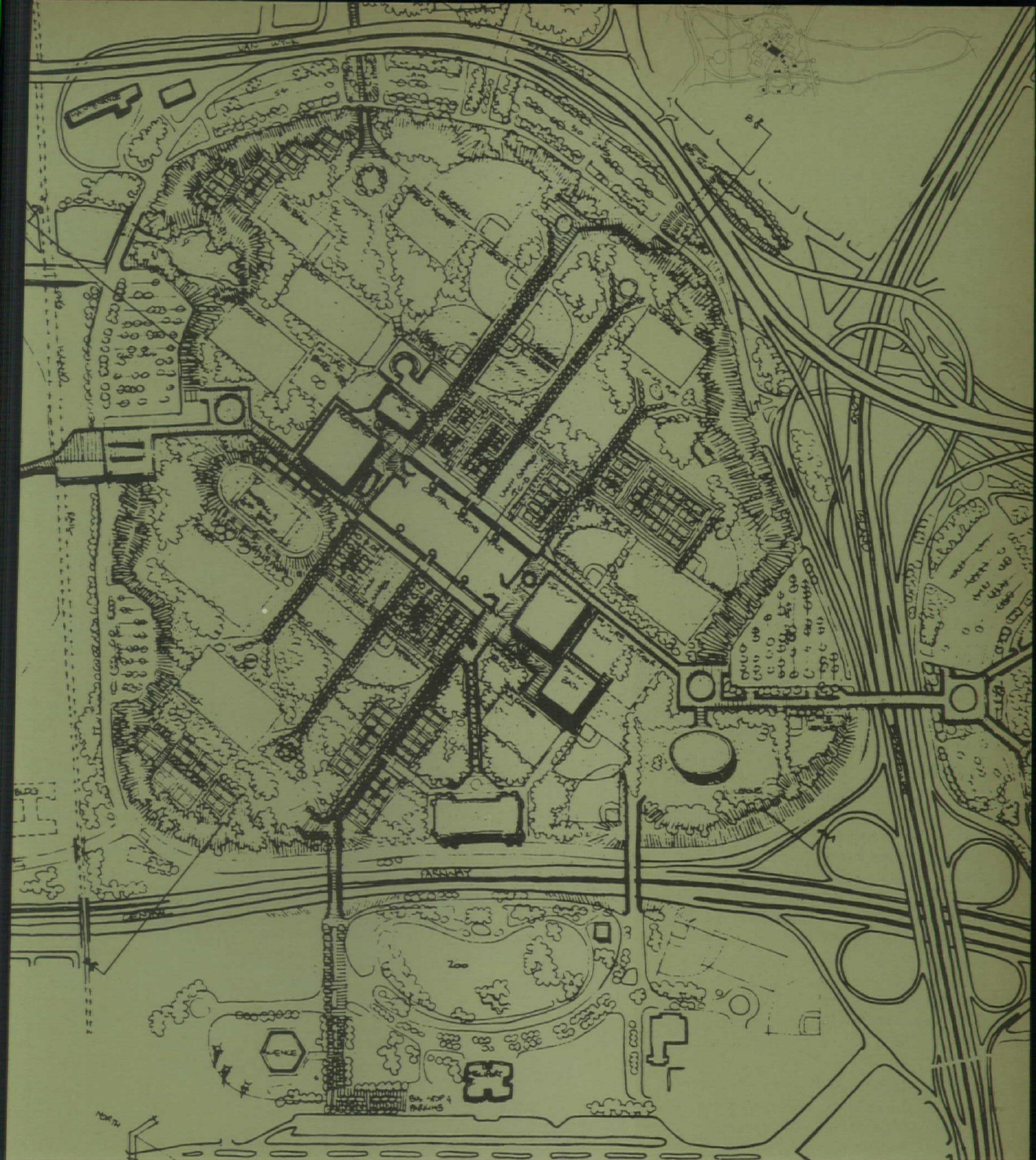
The history of New York City's Department of Parks from 1934 to 1965 is one of decreasing attention to open space and recreational needs. Although Robert Moses, commissioner of parks from 1934 to 1959, was responsible in the early years of his administration for some of the Parks Department's proudest accomplishments, in the later years his incredible civic energies seemed to be focused in other directions. First arterial highways, then a World's Fair, distracted his attention from a primary concern for parks and playgrounds, and from



To meet new urban problems: a new kind of urban park with an "endless variety of activities"

CORONA-FLUSHING MEADOWS SPORTS PARK,
Borough of Queens, New York. Phase I, site
planning and programing: Lawrence Halprin &
Associates; architectural consultants:
Marcel Breuer & Associates, Kenzo Tange and
Urtec. Phase II; architects: Marcel Breuer and Associates
(indoor arena, swim-bath complex, court buildings),
Kenzo Tange and Urtec (recreation and performing
arts complex); site planners and landscape architects:
Lawrence Halprin & Associates.

Corona-Flushing Meadows Sports Park—programed by Lawrence Halprin & Associates with architectural consultants Marcel Breuer and Kenzo Tange-Urtec—will be a new kind of urban park, designed to meet the needs of people with more free time, and more discretionary time. It is to be a park with something for nearly everyone to do, a park in the role of providing not one passive activity (in the old *rus in urbe* world) but a multitude of activities of all kinds, recreational and cultural.



ive and passive, for participant
 and for spectator, an "endless
 variety of activities." These will in-
 clude outdoor playing fields of all
 kinds, indoor courts, tracks, ski
 and toboggan runs, ingenious de-
 vices for improving one's game
 (checkers, left); swimming and
 sunbathing in a romantic, spa-like en-
 vironment, where statuary, plants,
 and music (from platforms sus-
 pended over the pools and baths)
 would recall San Francisco's fa-
 med Sutro Baths; and cultural ac-
 tivities such as arts and crafts,

amateur orchestra and choral
 singing, dancing and dramatic
 arts. There is ample room for all
 this on the site, where two
 World's Fairs have taken place.
 The site plan skillfully deals with
 the problems of the site, diking
 some of the areas which periodi-
 cally flood (this is an old flood
 plain and a river bed) with the
 sculptured land forms which are
 an important visual element in the
 over-all design. It turns the park
 inward, away from its mediocre
 surroundings, to make its own en-

vironment, and to minimize some
 of the noise from the various
 transit ways all around it. It creates
 a great open court—between the
 recreation-performing arts com-
 plex and the indoor arena swim-
 bath complex—which will be the
 meeting place, the place for
 events, the focal point of the
 park, and a central point for in-
 ternal circulation. Some 100,000
 persons at a time will use the park,
 38,000 in specific activities, the
 others walking around its 1,257.6
 acres, sitting or picnicking.

his early insistence on excellence of design, for which he had used the talent of some of the liveliest and ablest young designers of that day. In his new interest in parkways and fairs, Mr. Moses left the design of parks and playgrounds to parkway engineers whose true dedication was (not unnaturally) to parkways rather than to urban parks. The Parks Commissioner became a conservator rather than an innovator; and after the late Newbold Morris succeeded Mr. Moses in 1959, Mr. Morris continued in that role.

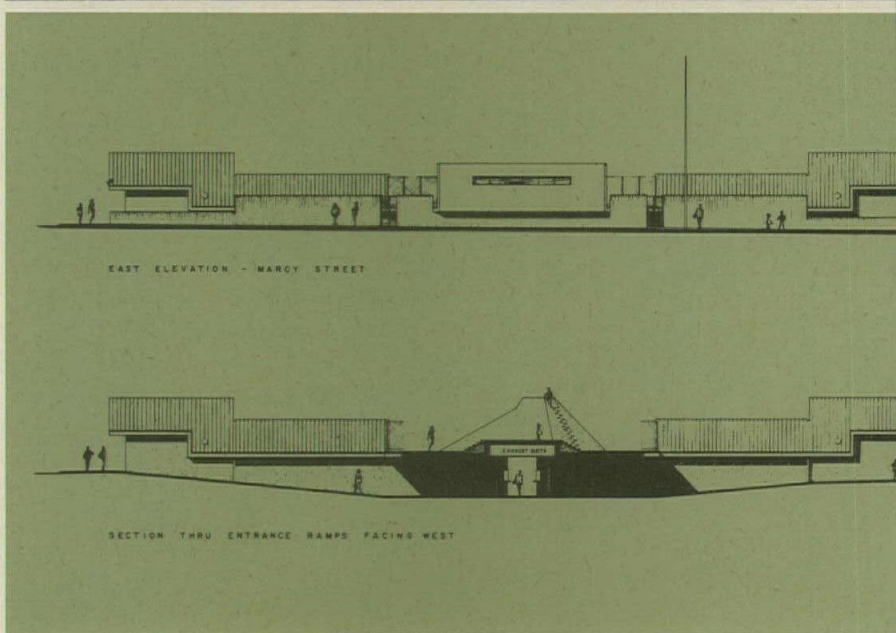
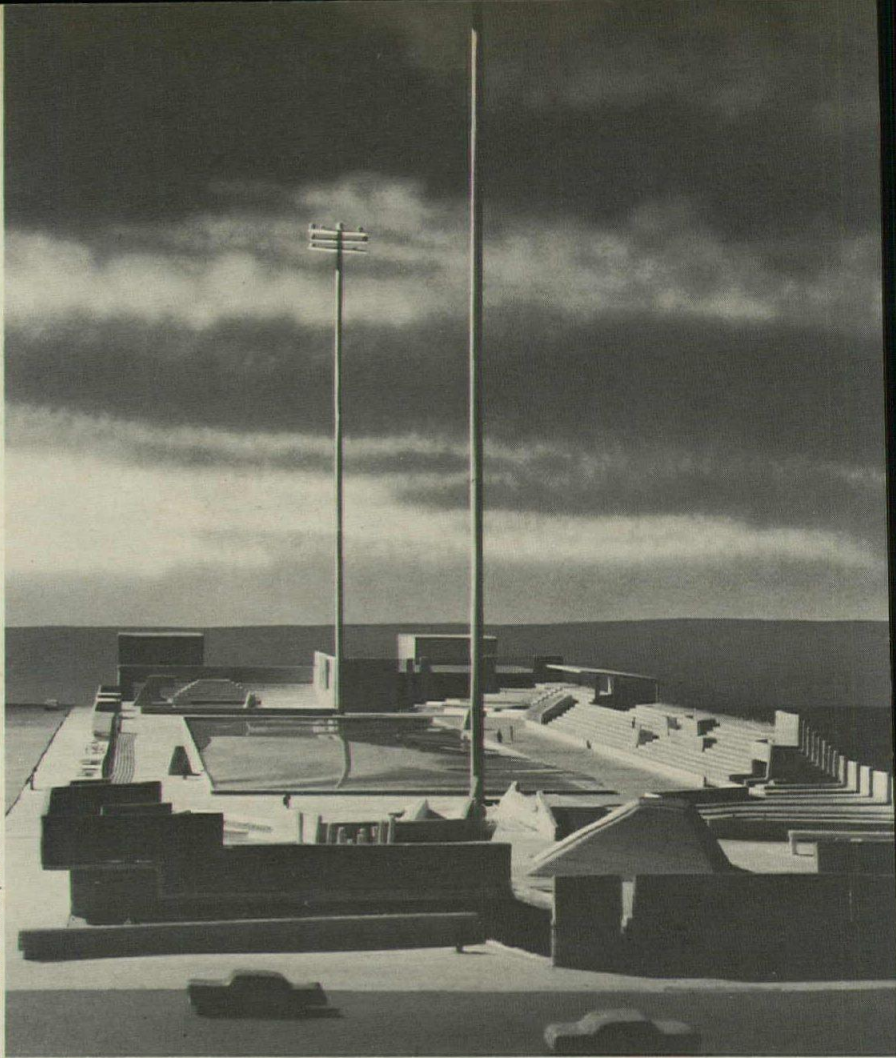
But the election of Mayor John V. Lindsay in late 1965, and his stated objective of making New York City "a city for people and for living," resulted in, among many other actions, a White Paper on parks and recreation—written by Thomas P. F. Hoving—scholar, art historian and at that time curator of The Cloisters, the Metropolitan Museum of Art's unique medieval department. The White Paper called for sweeping reform of the parks and a renewed pleasure in their use: and their use by *all* the people.

In Mr. Hoving's 14-month tenure as commissioner everything about the park department underwent change. As a beginning, he initiated a program to fill the parks at night—through a series of events and "happenings" designed to draw the people back into the parks they had been afraid to use, and to prove that, by their very presence and continuing use, the parks *could* be both safe and pleasant.

Design excellence: tool for the new purposes

To implement his program of making the Department of Parks the leader, not only in recreation and culture, but in architectural quality as well, Mr. Hoving's reforms were both internal and external. Internally, he instituted (with private funds because city funds were not available for such a policy-level position) the office of design consultant, which he asked me to fill. The position subsequently became that of director of design, and when Mr. Hoving left in March of 1967 to become director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and August Hecksher became administrator of

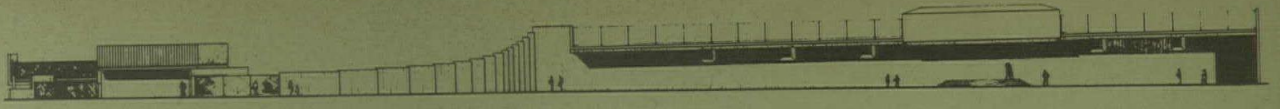
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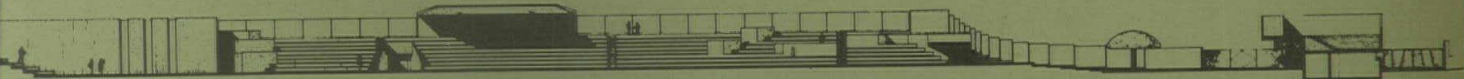
An exuberant outdoor center to give vitality and identity to a city neighborhood

MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL, BATHHOUSE-RECREATION COMPLEX, Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn, New York. Architect: *Morris Lapidus Associates—Morris Lapidus, Alan H. Lapidus, John Bowstead, designers*; structural engineer: *Ralph Dell'Abate*; mechanical engineers: *Herman Scherr Associates*; lighting consultant: *Abe Feder*.

This outdoor recreation center, with its competition-sized pool, looks not only handsome but lively—and can act as strong focal point for the crowded Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood in Brooklyn. The bathhouse is half a level below grade to permit use of its roof for a children's playground, where exhaust fan housings are designed as pyramid slides and vent stacks as climbing poles. The line of the exterior walls is varied—voids and solids alternate—to invite participation.



NORTH ELEVATION - DEKALB AVENUE

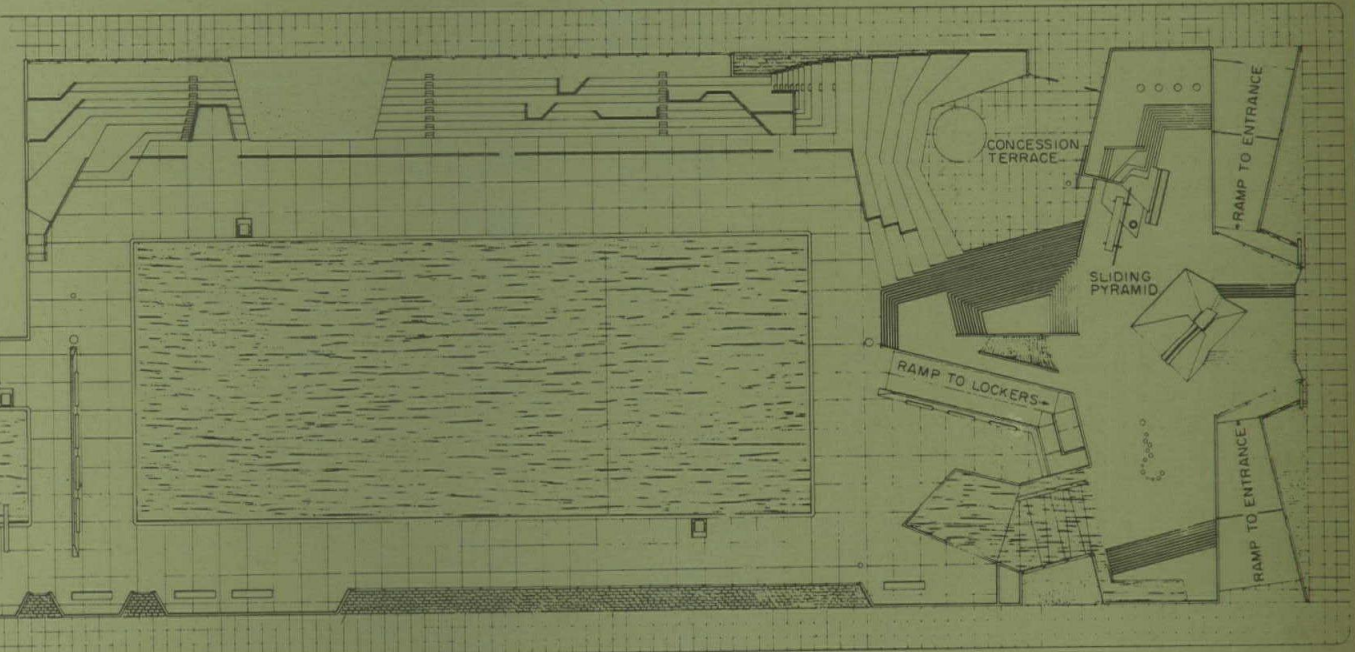


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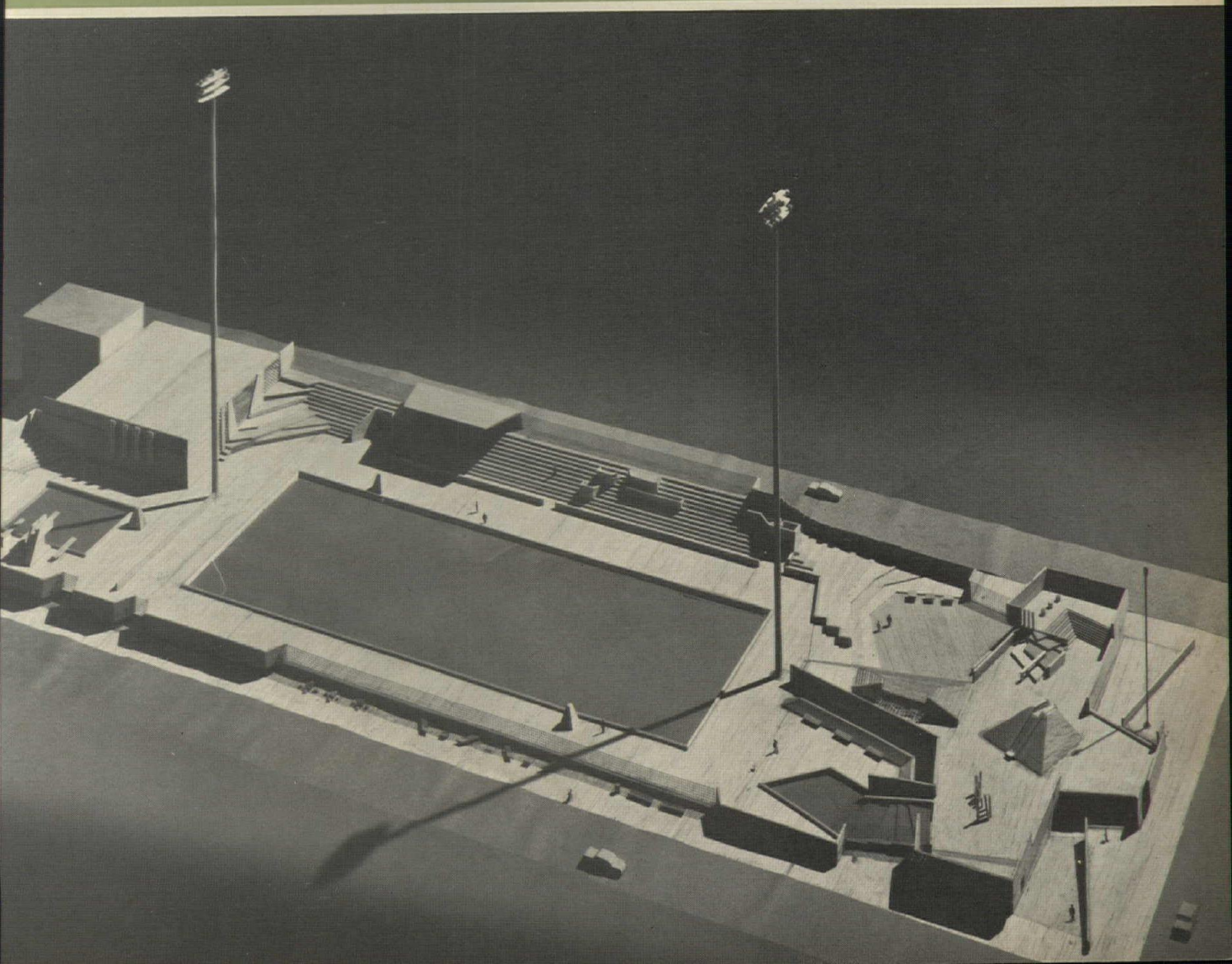
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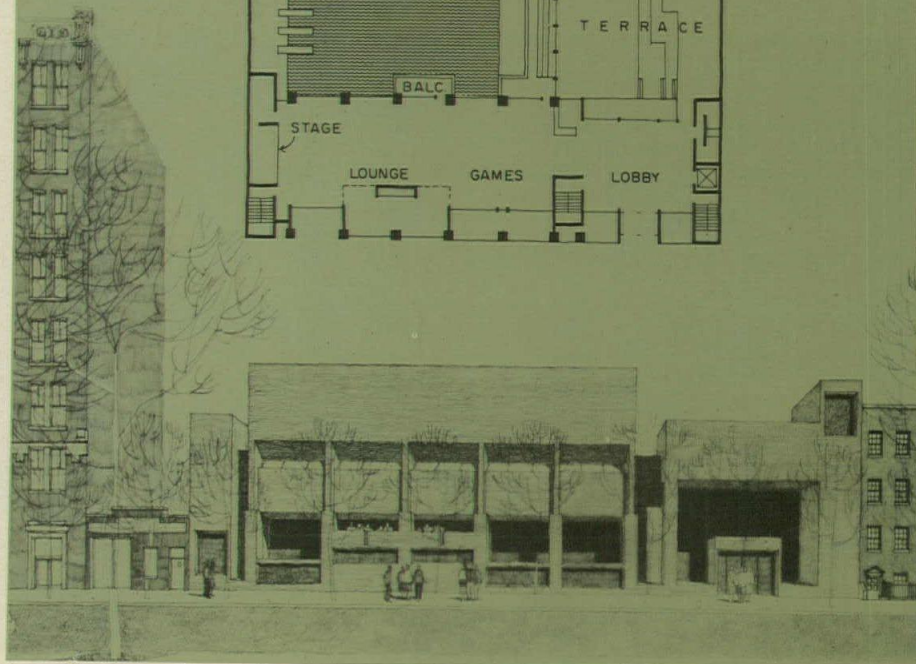
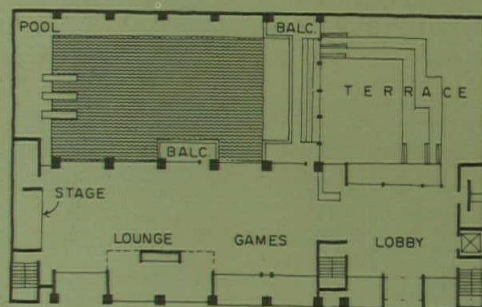
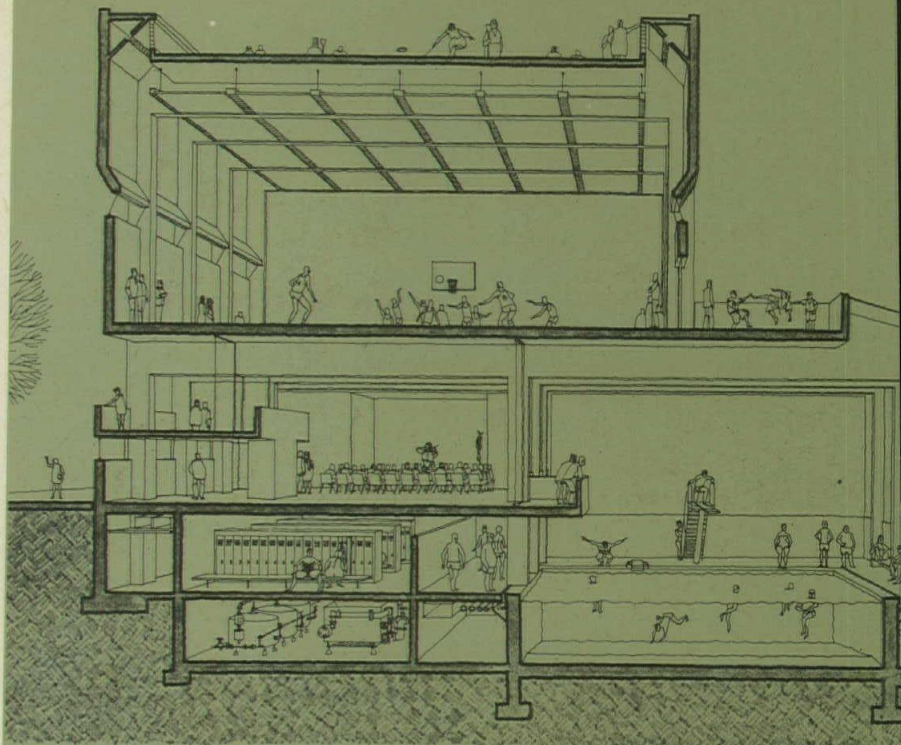


recreation and cultural affairs, I was named first deputy administrator.

Externally, this program sought the finest design talent anywhere to carry out its proposed developments. But wanting this kind of talent and actually enlisting it to do work were two different things, given the past history of the Department of Parks and the cynicism generated by the old era. But the imagination and flair of the Hoving program, the dynamic personality of the commissioner himself and some of the immediate results of his appointment—the happenings, the events in the parks and the people's response—caught the attention of the professionals. Among the architects and landscape architects who answered our call and who are now doing or have done work for the Department are Paul Rudolph, Marcel Breuer, Felix Candela, Edward Larrabee Barnes, Kenzo Tange, John Carl Warnecke & Associates, Davis, Brody and Associates, Conklin and Rossant, Ulrich Franzen, Lawrence Halprin and Associates, Philip Johnson, Hoberman and Wasserman, Paul Friedberg and Associates, Richard Stein. Less well known, younger architects and landscape architects also have been engaged: Richard Dattner, Norman Jaffe, Albert Barash, Robert Malkin, Rolf Myller.

To get the participation of such firms, the Department's existing fee schedule, out of line even with other city agencies, had to be re-evaluated and up-dated. The new schedule, with consultant's fees on a par with those of other departments, recognizes the variety of recreation facilities and of the services required for them, and provides separate fee curves for innovative playgrounds, for instance, and for large structures such as swimming pools, recreation buildings, restoration of historic monuments, and so forth. We are now reviewing these new schedules for further improvement.

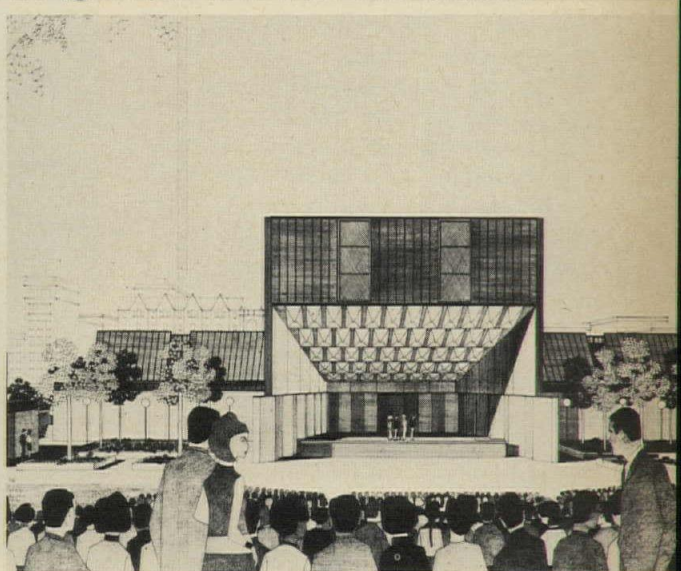
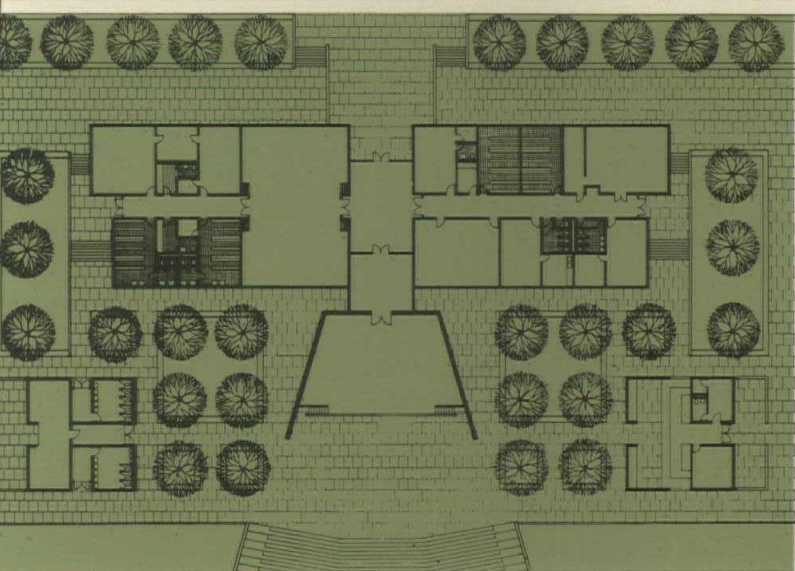
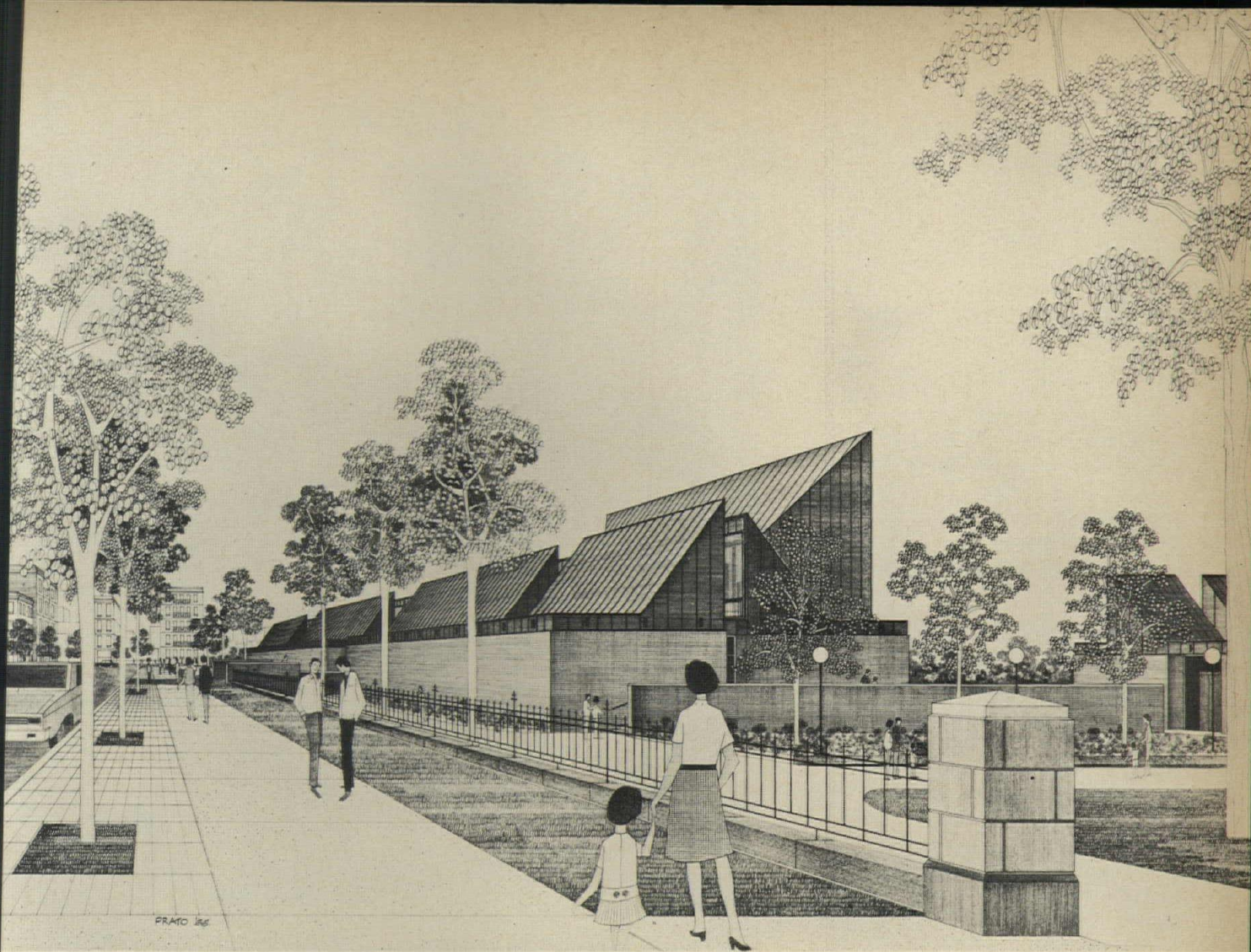
The capital improvement program on which the Department has embarked includes great variety: from a small sitting park in Queens to a youth center in Chelsea, from "vest pocket playgrounds" to a riding stable and police facility in Central Park, from "portable" play



A community center with fun, beauty and excitement for young and old alike

CHELSEA RECREATION CENTER, New York City.
Architects: Davis, Brody and Associates;
structural engineer: Herman Spiegel;
mechanical engineers: Cosentini Associates

This community center, for a dr neighborhood on Manhattan West Side, is designed as a play for things to happen: swimming, dancing, reading, sports, game meetings, plays, lounging, or ju meeting people. Some rooms a large for general gatherings, othe are small for intimate meeting. The plan interrelates spaces an activities to create social contac among people of varied interes and ages so that social skills ca develop and dispel the anonymi of city living.



**Good looks, low maintenance
for recreation center
in high-maintenance area**

The handsome design for this recreation center and amphitheater answers special considerations of program and of maintenance. Located in a "hard-use area" of the city, the building's windowless walls discourage vandalism (and provide wall space for hanging in the arts and crafts room), and its materials (brick finish for exterior and interior walls, quarry tile floors, asphalt block paving, copper batten roof on insulating concrete plank) are to be durable and need little maintenance. But the

eye-catching forms, color and texture show how the architects have made their design express a conviction that minimum maintenance and maximum durability do not necessarily mean minimum visual quality. The complex consists of a one-story building with skylighted rooms for arts and crafts, rehearsal and various group activities; a band shell and 1,600-seat amphitheater; a comfort station and concessioners' stand. Grouped, these form a backdrop and baffle for the stage.

RECREATION CENTER AND AMPHITHEATER,
Morris Park, Borough of the Bronx, New York
City. Architects: Lundquist & Stonehill;
Consulting engineers: Werner Jensen & Korst;
Construction: Phillips Construction Company, Inc.

areas to a vast recreation complex on the old World's Fair site. The architects for all these projects, and the others in our program, have the opportunity to develop the programs for their jobs, and are given free rein—even to the point of levity—in their design. The city has at last assumed the role of enlightened client, of client understanding and tolerant of innovation.

Competitions—and an unusual precaution

In its search for talent, the Department has turned to architectural competitions and has so far carried through two—one open, one closed—and is planning a third, open competition for the redesign and development of Von Breisen Park, overlooking New York Bay, on Staten Island. The first, for a refreshment kiosk in Central Park, was won by William Maurer, a 29-year-old Harvard graduate. The second was for a \$5.7-million combined riding stable-police precinct station in Central Park. The invited contestants were the firms of Marcel Breuer, Conklin and Rossant, Kelly and Gruzen, Edward Larrabee Barnes and Philip Johnson. Kelly and Gruzen were named winners by a jury made up of architects Paul Rudolph, I. M. Pei, William Breger and Lewis Davis, landscape architect Paul Friedberg, the commissioners of parks and of police, and myself.

Competitions are time-consuming and expensive, but with proper controls they are worth while. In the stable-police station competition we took an unusual precaution: an estimating firm was assigned to each contestant to ensure that the winning design could be built within the budget. Also, we required that the \$15,000 entrance commission and the right to compete be forfeited if the submission exceeded the budget. All five of the contestants in this competition honored these requirements.

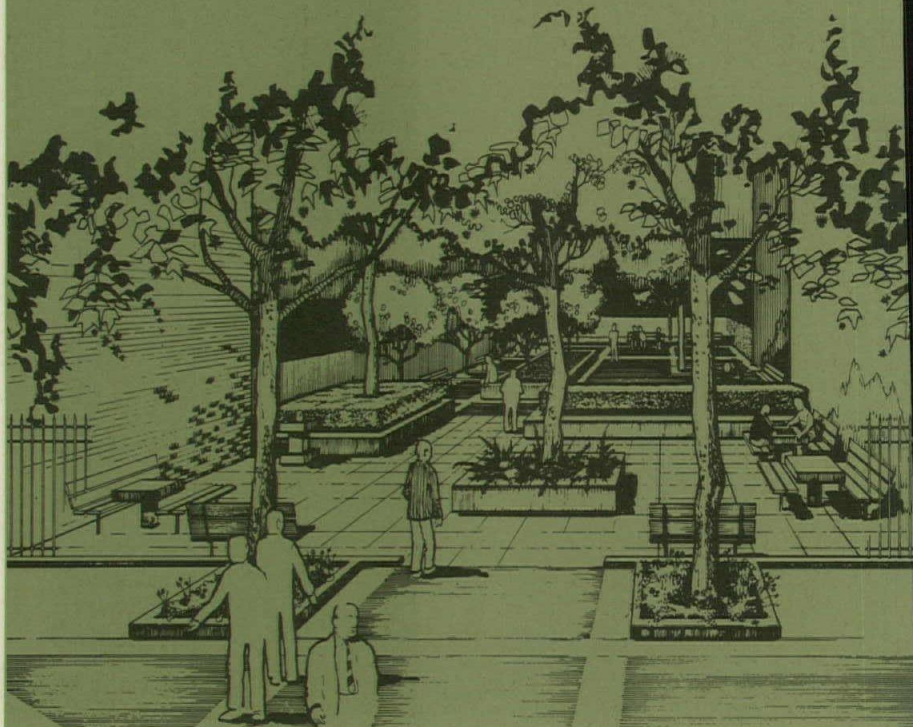
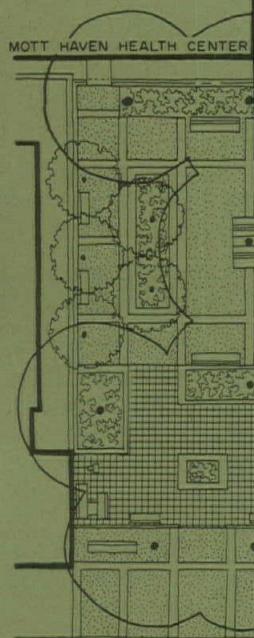
Both of these competitions were privately financed.

Portable parks, pocket parks

If there is one guiding principle—beyond that of architectural excellence—which has motivated the Department, it is that parks should



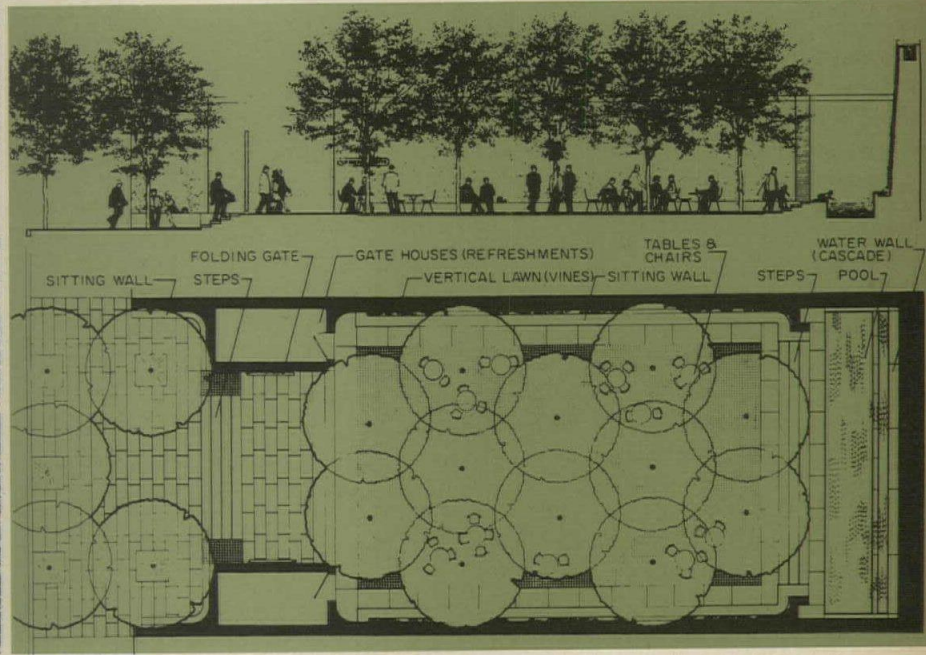
Mildred F. Schmetz photo



A sitting park for talk, or for games, or for resting in the sun

This vest pocket park in a low-cost housing development area is only 50 by 100 feet in size, but its skillful design makes possible a variety of quiet activities. Designed for adults, its sunny benches and game tables, its secluded spots and ample circulation attract other ages as well. Raised planter boxes in a dynamic pattern provide massed shrub and tree planting and serve as sitting walls. Concrete colors—white, dark gray and standard—differentiate areas. A pleasant place for quiet leisure.

MOTT HAVEN SITTING AREA, Borough of the Bronx, New York. Landscape architects and architects: *Coffey, Levine and Blumberg*; associate landscape architect: *Howard Abel*; contractor: *Edenwald Contracting Company*



**In midtown Manhattan,
a small park located
"where the people are"**

A park in the center of a busy commercial area should not be an astonishing sight, but it is. When Samuel Paley Memorial Park was opened a few months ago on the site of the Stork Club in midtown Manhattan, people hesitated to enter it until a sign was posted that it was "open to the public." This small park—its plot is 45 by 100 feet—makes space with what its designers call "vertical lawns" of vines on the side walls; delights the eye with a "water wall", 20 feet high, which falls into a pool 6

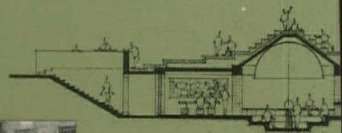
feet wide; and canopies its white tables and chairs with the branches of trees planted at 12-foot intervals. Mahogany-colored granite, with pink granite borders, is used for paving. Pink granite is also used for sitting walls and for the sidewalk in front of the park entrance. A refreshment stand is in one of the gate houses, storage in the other; pumping equipment for the water wall is in the basement. As the photographs show, this little park already serves as a humane oasis in the city's heart.

MUEL PALEY PLAZA, 3 E. 53rd Street, New York City. Site planners and landscape architects: Zion & Breen Associates; consulting architect: Albert Preston Moore; consulting engineer: Caretsky & Associates; contractor: Robert Johnson, Inc.

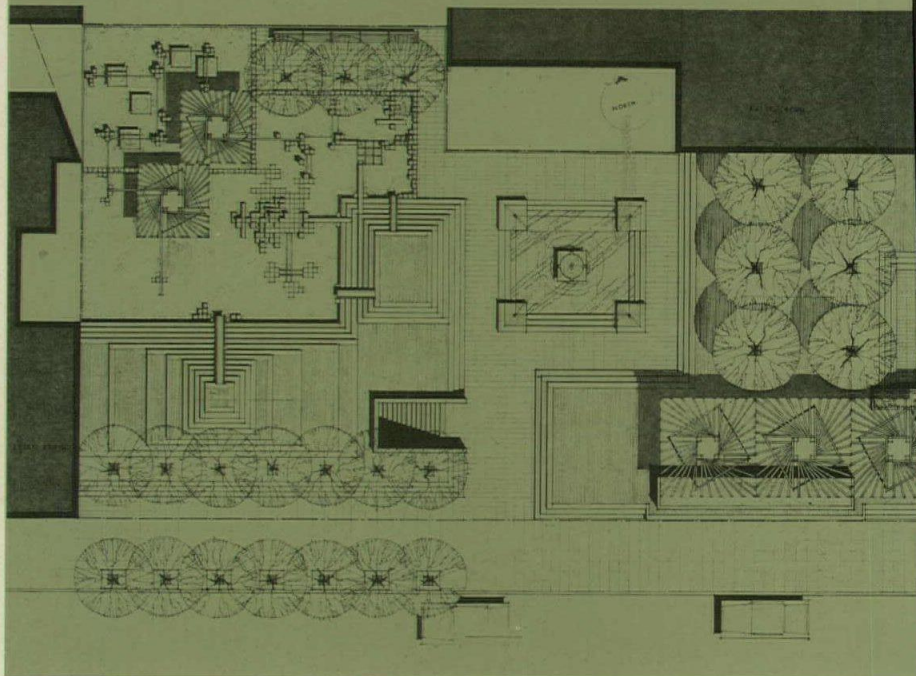
be where the people are, especially where there are lots of people. And that is what we have been doing since the revitalization of the Department. One of the most ingenious means of putting parks where people are is the portable park program developed by landscape architect Paul Friedberg under a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Mr. Friedberg has designed a variety of kinds of play equipment which can be placed on city-owned, unused vacant lots—and easily demounted and moved elsewhere when necessary. Even if a lot is available for only a brief time, the neighborhood will be improved by its development, for vacant lots are eyesores (and worse) in the poorer, more densely populated parts of the city. Some of these lots are only 20 feet wide and 75 feet deep, but with our pre-packaged, prefabricated parks and equipment we can quickly install a pleasant oasis in an area which otherwise has no outdoor play areas except the street. This fall we will begin construction of 10 prototype "portable parks," thanks to the HUD grant. Ten "vest pocket parks" have already been completed.

Recreation and culture on Flushing's Meadows

At the other end of the scale in size is the Department's largest single project: Corona-Flushing Meadows Sports Park, a great complex of recreational facilities, some enclosed, some in the open air. This will be built at Flushing Meadows Park, recently turned over to the city by the 1964 World's Fair Corporation. But the administration of the Parks Department has felt that the role of Flushing Meadows Park could be much greater—that we might perhaps invent for it a role unique to the 20th Century, that we might make of it a truly urban park. The City's need for sports sites is great and growing. Baseball diamonds are booked solid throughout the season; tennis courts, handball courts and other athletic fields operate from morning to dusk, and until midnight where there is night-lighting. The line forms at four in the morning for golfers hoping to use our public golf courses.



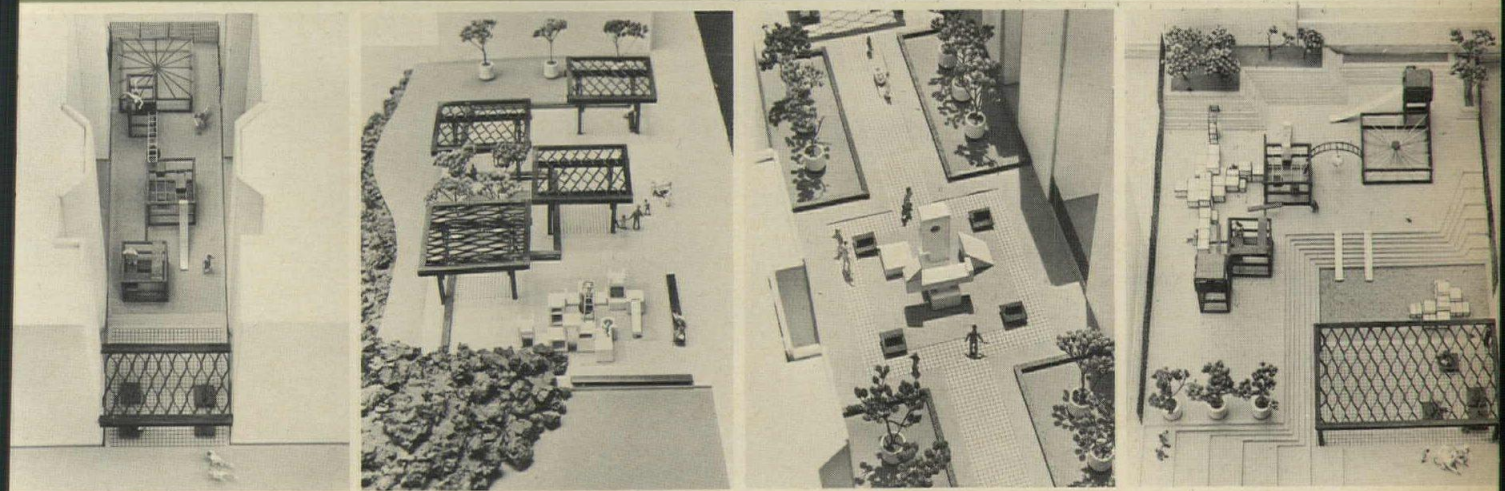
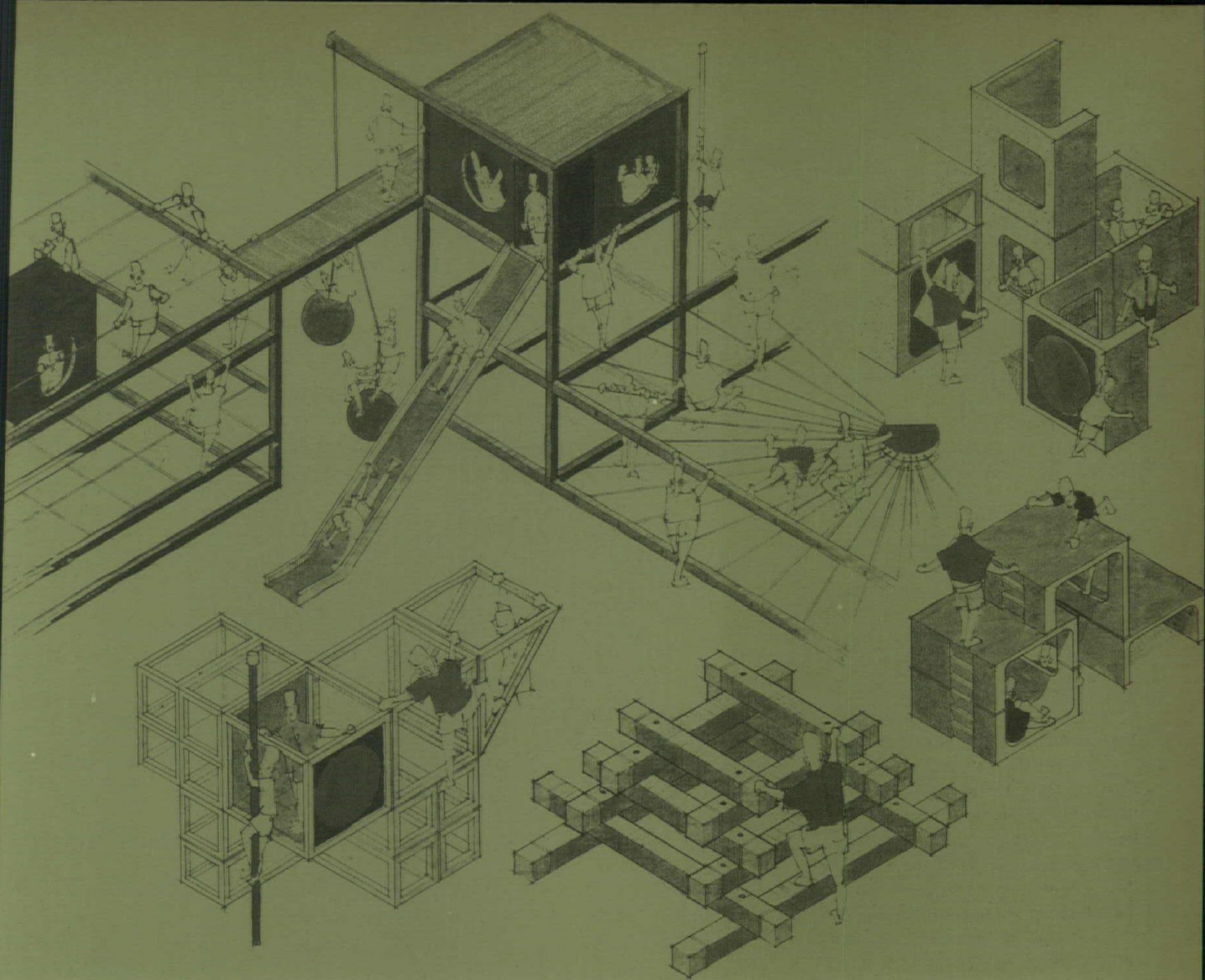
Martin Andrews photo



For city dwellers, renewed contact with nature in study-play parks

TWENTY-NINTH STREET "VEST POCKET" PARK, Manhattan, New York City. Landscape architects: *M. Paul Friedberg & Associates*; consulting architect: *Samton Associates*; structural engineer: *Robert Sillman*; science consultant: *Robert Lewis*; contractor: *East Bay Paving Company*.

The vest pocket park at East 29th Street and Second Avenue is both playground and nature study center, an innovation for the city, and a possible prototype for other parks, each focusing on a different facet of natural science. Here the center is a planetarium, placed below grade to free the playground surface area. Its dome is a pyramid for climbing, so no play area is sacrificed. A laboratory has work tables for individual study. Center and play area work together educationally.



Open-ended playthings for portable playgrounds on vacant city lots

The portable playground developed for the Department of Parks by landscape architect Paul Friedberg is an ingenious system of modular play equipment which requires no foundation, can be bolted together, is quickly assembled and demounted, and quickly transferred from one site to another. In fact, the elements—pipe frame and concrete modules, lengths of wood, pipe and cable units—can be stockpiled and used by any designer. The four systems above show proto-

type uses: rigid steel frames for climbing, with slides, balls, swings and seesaws; concrete U- and V-shaped modules to put together in many ways; wood logs, shown here bolted as a climbing pyramid. Many of the objects can be moved during play. Ten portable playgrounds are being developed under a HUD grant. Temporarily vacant lots, some as small as 20 by 75 feet, are being converted into play areas for a two- or three-year period. A welcome respite in crowded areas.

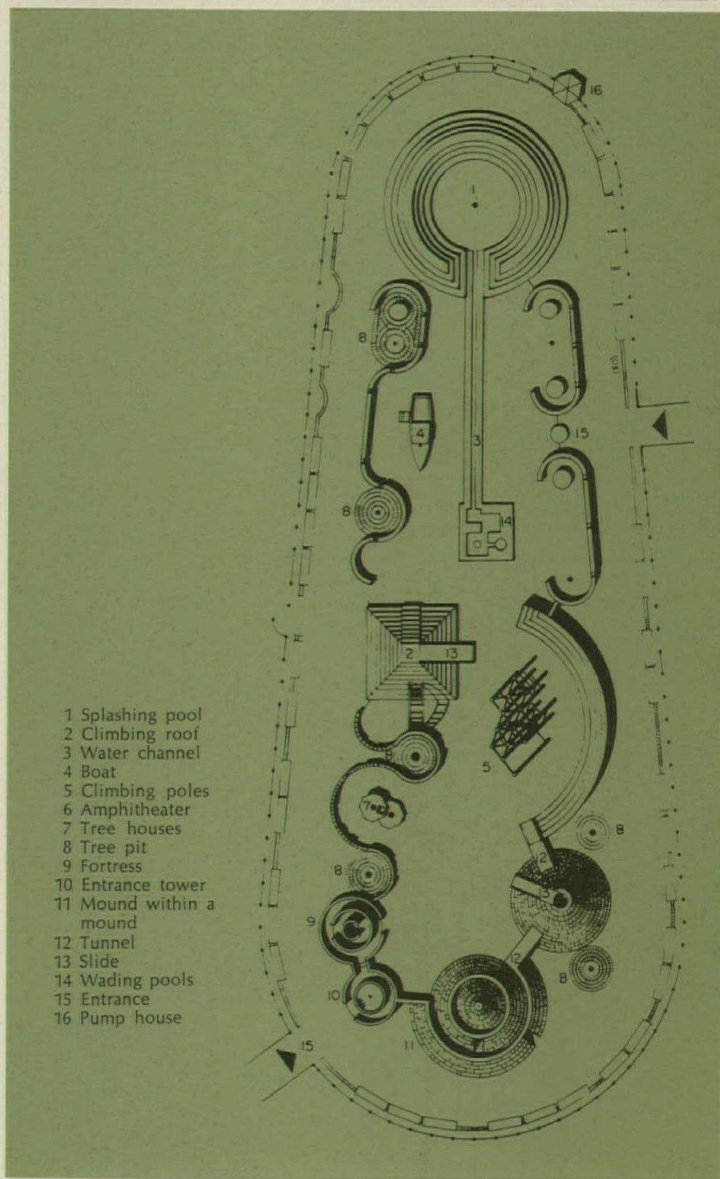
EXPERIMENTAL "PORTABLE" PLAYGROUNDS.
Landscape architects: M. Paul Friedberg
and associates; architect for modular sunbreaks:
Claude Samton; sculptors: William Tarr,
Ronald Fonseca, Paul Van Ringleheim;
Interior designers: Sam Weiner, Tania, Mon Levinson.

For Flushing Meadows we have evolved a program that would make it not only a great sports park but the cultural center for Queens (largest and second most densely populated borough of the City). In an unusual marriage of unusual talents, the Department has engaged Lawrence Halprin and Associates, Marcel Breuer and Kenzo Tange and Urtec to design this new park. Site planning and programing is being done by the Halprin firm; Marcel Breuer and Kenzo Tange are each doing two buildings which will house facilities for the performing arts—amateur theater, choral and orchestral, arts and crafts—and indoor athletics.

A "fun palace" for the young

Municipal recreation and community centers in Manhattan are usually the last places that young people—for whom they are intended—want to go. Most of these centers are undistinguished in architecture, boring, listless places whose banal appearance does little to attract youngsters, and nothing to provide beauty for the community. When an existing such center had to be replaced because of a new post office building, the Department of Parks engaged Davis-Brody and Associates, architects of the unique "Waterside" river development on the East River, to design the new Chelsea Recreation Center (see page 114). This young, energetic firm is designing a great "fun palace" which we hope will be brilliantly illuminated—like a theater—and which, because of its design, will draw young people into it. What we wanted was the kind of building that a private entrepreneur would build. The Center will have the things that young people want but do not find in the usual municipal recreation center: a dance floor with a juke box, overlooking a swimming pool, club rooms, game rooms, sports courts. This Center has excitement and creates a positive environment in a community and on a street desperately in need of a better environment.

At Mount Morris Park in Harlem (see page 115), we cancelled an old contract that would have provided a standardized rehabilitation



Adventures in play at a playground designed as "landscape for kids"

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND, Central Park, New York City. Architect: Richard Dattner; contractor: Kreisler-Borg Construction Co.; sponsor: Estee and Joseph Lauder Foundation, Inc.

This playground in Central Park is the first of five "Adventure Playgrounds," privately sponsored and developed. A "landscape for kids" (the architect's words), the playground has a variety of spaces, different but related to each other. Imaginative mounds and pyramids for climbing and sliding, tunnels, "volcanoes", tree-houses and a wooden stockade were designed by the architect to permit a wide range of interpretation by children and to stimulate their own invention.



Norman McGrath photo
Opposite: bottom right
Richard Dattner photo



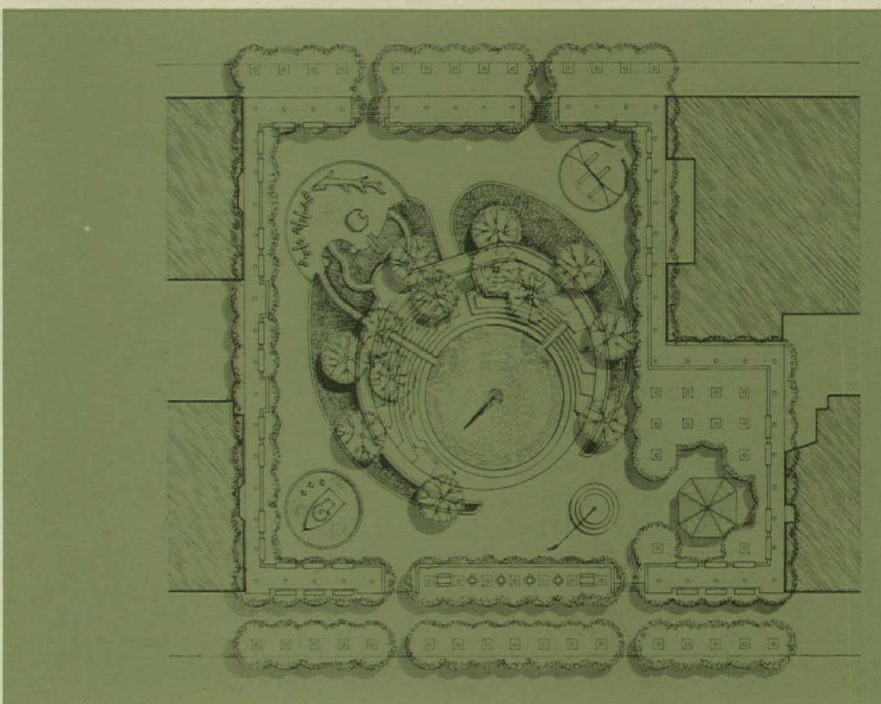
of the park and substituted what the people of the area wanted; a community swimming pool. Now we are about to start construction of a unique amphitheater, designed by the young firm of Lundquist and Stonehill.

The Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn, is going to have a delightfully flamboyant recreation complex and Olympic-size swimming pool, designed by the architects of some of the world's most luxurious hotels and pools, Morris Lapidus and his associates. In the same area we have initiated a tree-matching program in which we give approximately four trees for each tree paid for by the local residents.

**At Central Park,
change without changes**

The changes at Central Park have particular importance because the park is a focus for the whole city. These have been sensitively made so that the essential character of the park has been kept intact; there have been no encroachments on the natural beauty of the place. The Fountain Cafe (RECORD, December 1966) on Bethesda Terrace, a site of great beauty, is such a change: in its installation nothing—not a blade of grass, not a shrub, not a tree—was disturbed. Its design, entirely contemporary, nevertheless complements the park's Victorian design. The restaurant has brought life to a place long deserted after dark.

An "adventure" playground at 67th Street and Central Park West provides imaginative play equipment for children of a wide age range. Its delightful environment and the happy kinds of play it offers attract children and parents from all parts of the city. This playground, privately financed by the Estee Lauder Foundation, was designed after thorough interchanges between a citizens' committee and the architect. This sort of interchange is fostered by the Parks Department's Community Relations Division, established out of the belief that only by discovering what the people want can the designers develop programs for new buildings or parks which are uniquely suited to their locations.



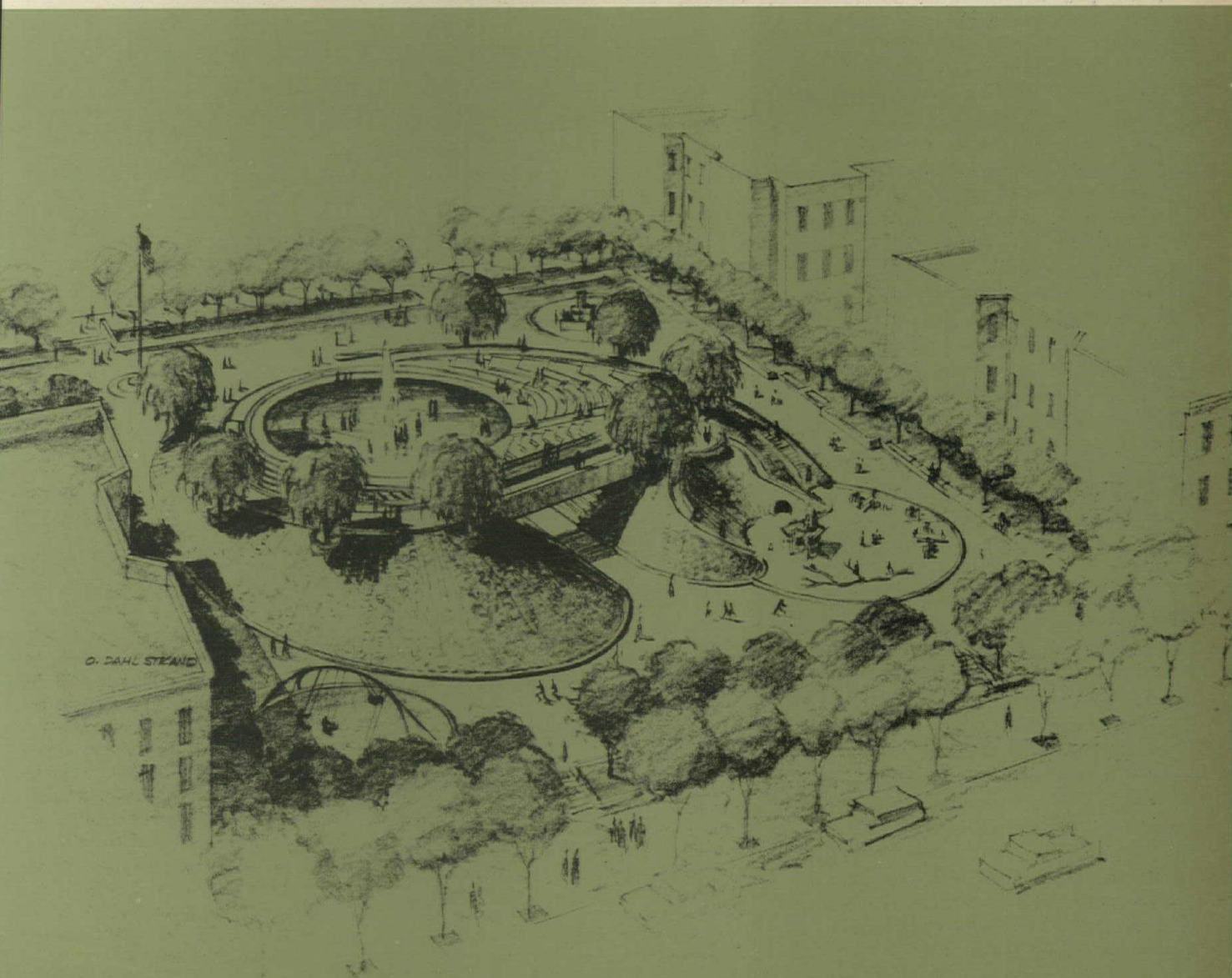
**Two design solutions,
similar in size,
opposite in character**

NEW DORP PARK, Borough of Richmond;
138TH STREET PLAYGROUND, Borough of the Bronx,
New York City. Architects, planning
consultants and landscape architects for
both projects: *John Carl Warnecke and
Associates—partner in charge: Michael
Painter.* 138TH STREET: civil engineers:
Kirker, Chapman and Associates; electrical
engineers: *Meyer, Strong and Jones;* sponsor:
Children's Recreation Foundation, Inc.

New Dorp park, in a single-family
area of Richmond Borough (Staten
Island), and 138th Street park, in
a densely populated part of the
Bronx, are identical in size—but
their concepts are opposite, meet-
ing each location's needs. New
Dorp's central lawn, serpentine
walk, sitting and play areas are
suburban. Urban 138th Street's
central pool and fountain are for
wading by day; and can be
drained for plays and dancing.
New Dorp is city-financed; 138th
is privately sponsored.



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No easy way to a renaissance

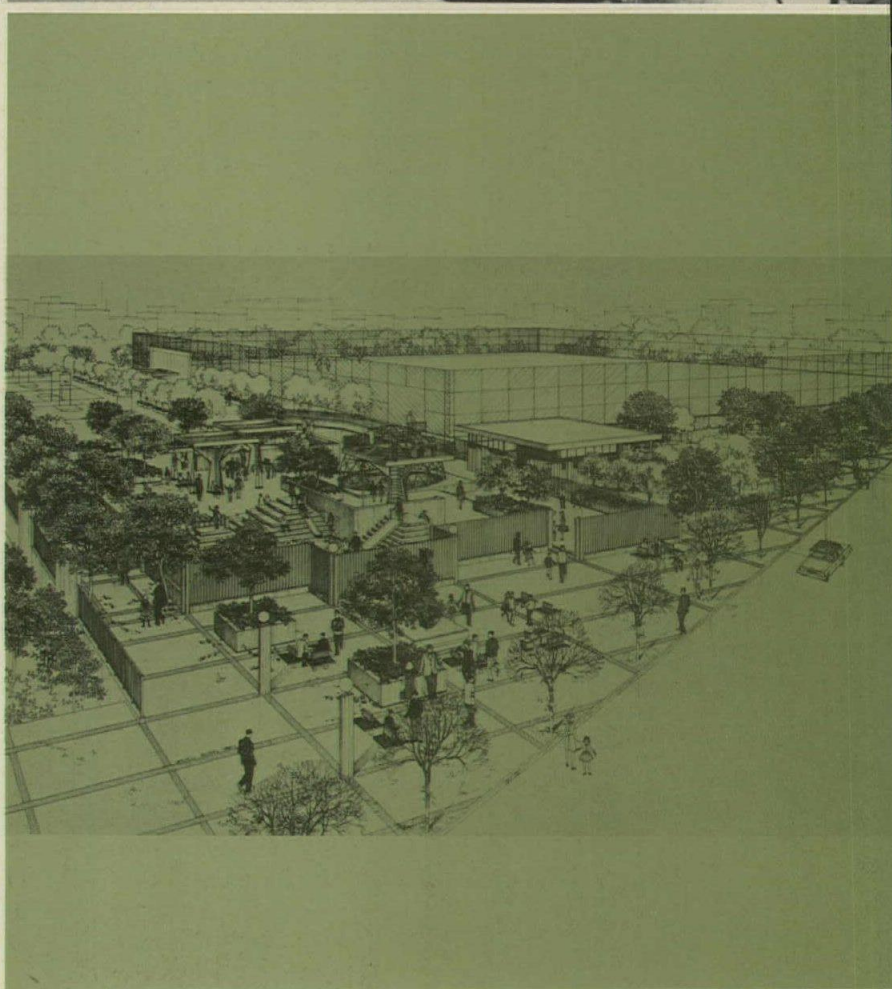
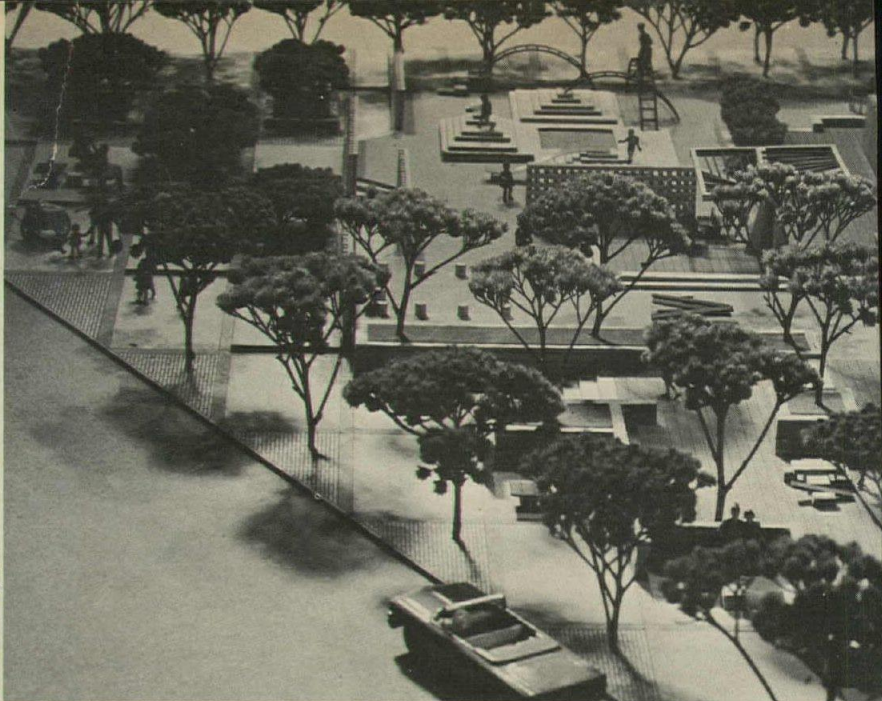
It would be misleading to imply that this program, for all of its exciting overtones, has dispelled the problems and frustrations of doing business with a bureaucratic system. Doing business with the City of New York is no easy task, particularly for architects committed to good architecture. Negotiating contracts with the city is a long-drawn out process, for there are delays in approvals for contracts from the Parks Department, the budget director, and the comptroller. First the writing of programs is time-consuming; then acceptance of the programs by various participating city agencies takes time. And the approval of submissions encounters delays. Vouchers for payment of consultants are subject to delays by the comptroller. Distinguished architects of long experience, as much as the younger architects, have had these same problems.

What is gratifying is that these consultants have stuck to their commitments. For in staying with the job regardless of the problems, they have paved the way for greater creativity, imagination and vision in civic architecture and landscape architecture. The first year of the new administration was difficult; the second is proving more productive. Problems that seemed insurmountable are being ironed out. We hope that the third and fourth years will see the end of time-consuming, bureaucratic, red-tape delays, and bring even greater design accomplishment.

Quality design pays off. Excellence in civic architecture can change the environment of entire areas of a city, not only evoking further physical improvement but lifting the spirit of those who live in such areas.

Our program—under the imaginative and thoughtful leadership of August Hecksher—is to expedite the construction of remarkable and exciting park facilities so that New York City will in fact lead the nation in a renaissance of urban space design, and create for the city an administration environment that not only encourages good architecture and urban environment—but insures it.

David Hirsch photo



Imaginative play areas on garage roof and deck over train tracks

Combining a playground with a parking garage has gained a lot of otherwise unused space for recreation. The garage roof will be a sports playfield; a deck over the adjacent ravine (and railroad tracks) will be a children's playground. To encourage creative play experiences, "standard equipment in unstandard uses"—slides pressed into "mountains", sculptured stepping stones (with spray heads for hot weather), playful structural frames for shade—was especially designed.

COMBINED PARKING GARAGE AND PLAYGROUND,
Flatbush and Nostrand Avenues, Brooklyn,
New York. Landscape architects: *M. Paul
Friedberg & Associates*; consulting engineers:
Brill Engineering Corporation; sculptor:
Bill Tarr; architect for shade structure: *Bernard Morrison*.

Air conditioning: new interpretation for architects

Numerous factors influence the selection and design of air-conditioning systems, from type of building, to type of equipment available, to the ever-changing nature of the design professions and the construction field. One of the most significant developments in equipment is the trend toward pre-engineered packages of larger size and variety, and of greater sophistication. Architects and engineers are re-examining education and training as owners increasingly demand "guaranteed" performance and more exacting cost evaluations. Both parts of this article have been prepared in collaboration with F. J. Walsh, consulting engineer.

—Robert E. Fischer

While paradoxical at first thought, today's trend in air conditioning is toward larger central systems on the one hand, and toward decentralized unitary installations on the other. Common to both, but perhaps not readily apparent, is the fact that advancement of these two seemingly opposite approaches stems largely from advances in packaged equipment which is smaller, quieter, more reliable, and available in larger capacities and with a wider range of components and controls. The trend toward larger central systems is aided by the availability of more sophisticated and complex control systems which, combined with the computer, promise greater optimization of system operation.

Room-by-room and zone-by-zone unitary air conditioners are, in effect, complete air-conditioning systems in a single unit. Today's unitary equipment is highly reliable, increasingly more quiet (particularly in room-size units), capable of operating at lower outdoor temperatures, and can even be designed for remotely located control panels for start-stop, sequential starting, and other similar features.

Most architects are familiar with "pre-engineered" residential heating systems. Heating systems are, of course, simpler than air conditioning systems or combined heating-air-conditioning sys-

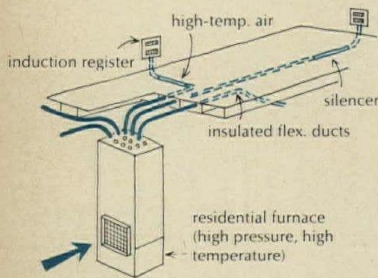
tems. There is little "design" involved with packaged heating systems—pipe and duct sizes really do not have to be calculated since runouts are relatively short. The systems usually function properly as long as heating elements or outlets are properly placed, and the thermostats properly located.

The trend toward larger central systems involves larger unitary central systems as well as built-up central systems using packaged components. Unitary air conditioners are available in sizes up to 100 tons of refrigeration, for example. What is more important than mere physical size of unitary equipment, however, is the increasing application of the more flexible and sophisticated multi-zone and double-duct unitary air conditioner, used in sizes up to perhaps 50 tons. This type of unitary system is particularly significant because of the manufacturer's selection of all unit controls, zone controls, ventilation-air-ratio controls, etc.

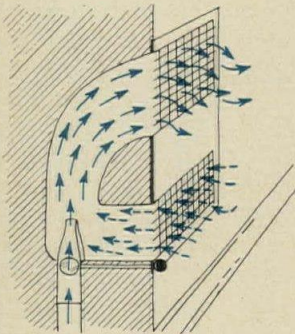
Each of the major elements going into any over-all air-conditioning system—with the exception of the air-and-water distribution system and various system controls—is in itself a "package." That is, it is a matched combination of standard components, either preassembled at the factory or designed for simple field assembly.

The package approach has expanded

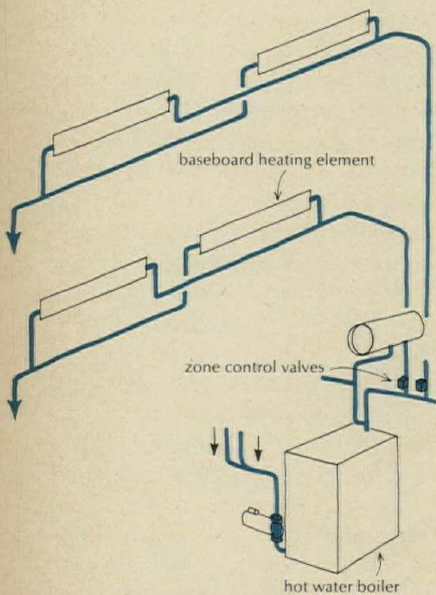
THE SIMPLEST TYPES OF PACKAGED SYSTEMS



Packaged residential warm-air system. The manufacturer supplies all of the components, including the high-pressure, high-temperature furnace, the small-diameter ducts and the induction-type room outlets.



Induction-type room outlet for the warm air system shown above uses high-velocity air to induce room air into the unit for mixing.



Packaged residential hot-water system. This is almost a complete packaged system, except for the distribution piping, which is a standard size, and perhaps some controls.

mainly because of increasing problems in field installation, involving both cost of labor and the shortage of trained mechanics and technicians. And it was logical for "packages" to grow larger and larger, since today's components are higher speed, lighter in weight and smaller in size for the same capacity. Packaged absorption and hermetic chillers are available in sizes up to 1000 tons, and steam and high-temperature water generators also are available in extremely large sizes. Packaged fan-coil units, filters, etc., are available in capacities up to perhaps 40,000 cfm, for all pressure ranges.

The application of packages is limited mainly by problems of physical transport (i.e., trucking and rigging), although labor union restrictions are also a factor. Obviously, a built-up central system, consisting of multiple packages is possible up to almost any size. For a unitary central system, however, the over-all size is limited by the size of the air-moving and conditioning (fan-coil) package.

The architect really does not have to understand what is in the various packages of a built-up central system—it is enough to merely recognize and identify them. It is more important for him to be familiar with the most advanced unitary room-by-room equipment, and with unitary multi-zone and double-duct air conditioners, because he will be more directly involved with these.

While the first unitary, packaged multi-zone air conditioner (cooling only) was on the market over 10 years ago, application was not as rapid as might have been expected, and various operating problems related to the use of air-cooled condensers and part-load operation had to be overcome. These problems were, in general, resolved several years ago.

It now makes sense to consider much more extensive application of unitary air conditioners than was the case until recently. As long as five years ago, certain members of the Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute outlined future applications of central unitary air conditioners, including double-duct, multi-zone and variable-air-volume applications. Knowledgeable engineers should use such equipment now for custom-designed installations. Some manufacturers may not be particularly eager to proceed in this direction, however, for two reasons. First, they cannot afford to develop sophisticated equipment for which there may not be a market. Secondly, they are concerned that, in some cases, such equipment might be misapplied and give them a bad name. Certain manufacturers, while they do not

make multi-zone unitary air conditioners, will quite often cooperate with knowledgeable consulting engineers in the custom design of an identical to the system using a central-station air conditioner with a direct-expansion refrigeration coil and a custom-selected conditioning unit package.

The extent to which unitary equipment manufacturers will get involved in producing equipment packages for sophisticated application is conjectured. For one thing, consulting engineers generally are not sufficiently familiar with refrigeration cycles in unitary equipment and are reluctant to become involved other than standard applications. Often, they equate roof-top equipment only with very speculative, low-building projects.

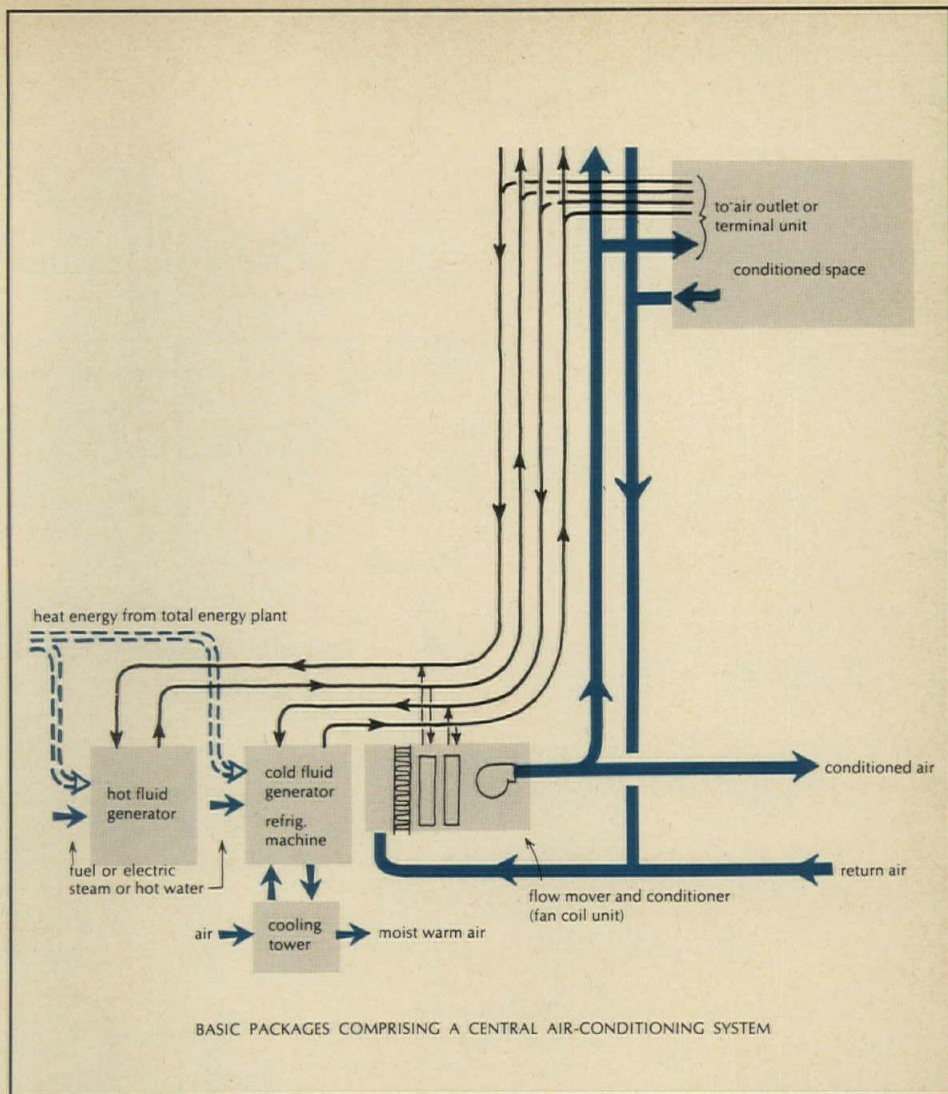
The fact that it is practically possible to design and produce central unitary air conditioners having a two-fan section for double-duct distribution or a variable-air-volume fan, utilizing mixing types of air and air-and-water terminals has never really been explored despite the obvious potential. It is obvious however, that it would take practically a "guaranteed" market—such as the volume purchasing approach of the School Construction Systems Development project to induce any manufacturer to design modification of his existing unitary packages, particularly if the basic approach favors built-up packaged systems rather than unitary.

From the standpoint of potential application of large unitary air conditioners to multi-story buildings, the architect should give special attention to space installation and noise problems.

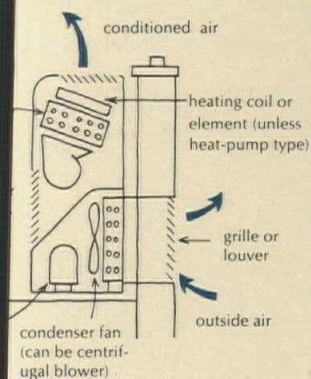
Despite machinery advances, lack of standards on equipment and system noise—for use at a practical design level—has been, and still remains, a problem. This area of design is complex, and problems are more likely to occur because of today's use of low-mass, rigid structures.

Acoustical performance ratings for system elements start, naturally enough, with those elements that occur in occupied spaces such as air outlets, fan-coil units, induction units, etc. More meaningful ratings are being developed for window, through-the-wall and small unitary air conditioning equipment—and these new standards have grown out of owner complaints about noise levels. Industry standards for larger equipment will be longer in coming; however, architect insistence on a guaranteed rating according to various available rating standards is possible today. Usually special tests can be arranged at additional cost, and the results and test data can be certified.

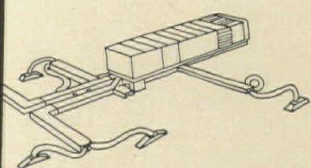
engineered packages can be combined to form a "built-up" central system, but in some cases fully integral units, except perhaps for the air distribution.



The role of the engineer, the manufacturer and the client



Self-contained, through-wall air-conditioner may require nothing more than an electrical connection to make it operable.



Self-packaged multi-zone system includes everything except the air-distribution system. It can have hot and cold fluid generators, flow movers, multi-zone dampers and controls.

Building services consulting engineering—like architecture—is in transition, with owners expecting an expanded scope of services in specialty areas of engineering such as energy plant design. But beyond this there has been a growing demand from owners for greater engineer involvement in balancing, testing, adjusting, and operating and maintenance procedures for air-conditioning systems. Centralized responsibility is a compelling concept that management is anxious to buy. Client management is also interested in the sometimes rather vague and abstract approaches which purportedly will allow them to evaluate whether or not proper decisions have been made—some of the key words are systems engineering, feasibility study, value engineering and cost effectiveness, performance, criteria, etc.

To a large extent, many owners and architects do not really understand how the consulting engineer approaches and handles system design—what he does and does not do.

Building service engineering might in one sense be called, "engineering of

the catalog." The reason is that each system and sub-system is composed of an assemblage of standard components and "packages" which can be "tied together" by means of a fluid-flow (air, gas, water, steam) network and terminated in energy distribution outlets (i.e., air outlets or terminal units, or room-type unitary air conditioners). Beyond this are the superimposed electrical, electronic and pneumatic controls.

The major problem for the consulting mechanical engineer—aside from budgetary and, to some extent, systems analysis considerations—has always been the design and drafting required to coordinate the selected systems with the building envelope, floor layout and the structure.

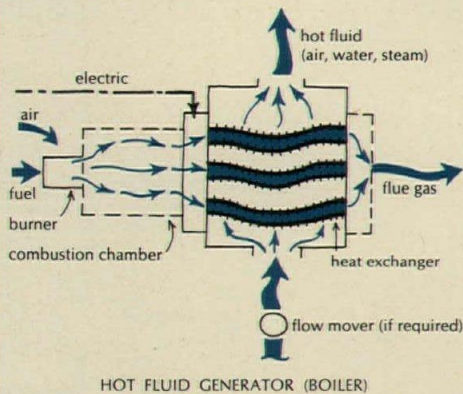
Whether or not air-conditioning systems are termed "built-up central systems" or "packaged systems," is somewhat irrelevant, since the real difference between the two is the extent to which "packaged" equipment is utilized, and the range of components and controls within the "packages."

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Packaged components range all the way from hot and cold fluid generators, to flow movers and conditioners, to control devices.

The basic component packages of air-conditioning systems

Hot or cold packaged fluid energy generators may or may not constitute a complete plant. The generator is a complete plant if the thermal fluid energy produced is ready for

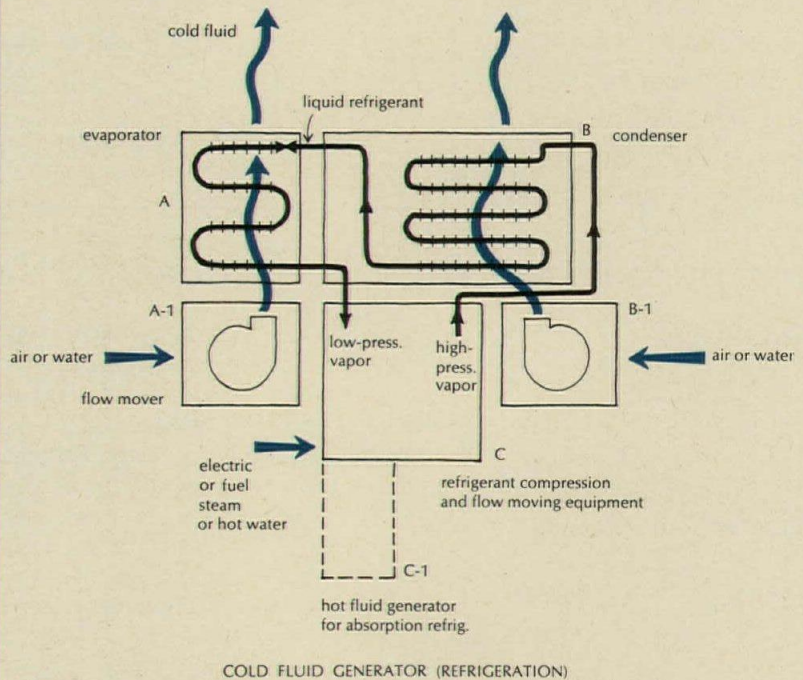


utilization merely by making final conditions (liquid flow mover is required for hot or chilled water unit). If the heating cooling energy is supplied by a fuel and electric power, rather than from a separate steam or hot water supply, then the equipment comprises a unitary (self-contained) plant.

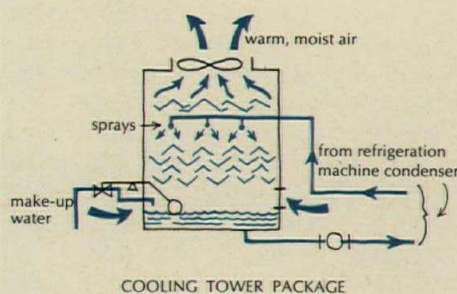
A parallel can be drawn between a unitary packaged chiller and a unitary packaged conditioner. They are identical in function except that the fluid in one case is water, in the other case it is air.

Note: The hot-fluid generator could supply energy to an absorption refrigeration machine to produce a cooling effect.

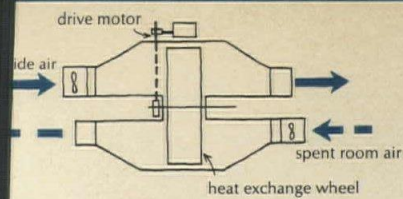
Note: 1) When the flow of the refrigerant between the condenser and the evaporator can be reversed, the package is called a heat pump. 2) When the function of the unit is to produce heat it becomes a fluid generator.



The cooling tower is an auxiliary package for rejection of refrigeration cycle waste heat.



(When the air conditioner is air cooled, refrigeration cooling is an integral part of the package.) The condenser water is an intermediate thermal fluid in this case. In order to prevent any dirt or contamination picked up by cooling tower sprays from fouling the refrigeration machine condenser, the flow is split into two circuits by means of a heat exchanger. This, however, reduces the net amount of cooling available. Direct cooling of the condenser water in a coil by contact with air is not practical except when the outside air is cold. Protection of the intermediate fluid from freezing would be a problem.

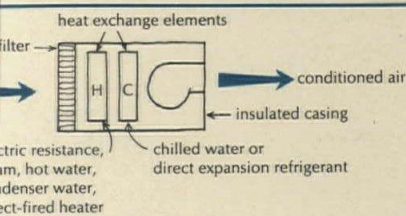


WASTE HEAT RECOVERY DEVICE

heat-exchange wheel abstracts heat from lowest temperature level space air. High performance filters are required for each air stream before it enters the wheel. Cross-contamination is small, and special designs can reduce this effect to a minimum.

Other packages involving heat recovery at other temperature levels are:

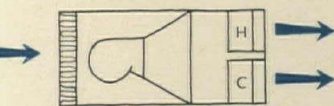
- heat-recovery lighting fixtures utilizing spent room air or circulating water,
 - pumping of heat-utilizing refrigeration machines in fixed direction of refrigerant flow, with cooling of spent exhaust air and utilization of higher-temperature water or air discharged from the condenser, reversible direction of refrigerant flow (heat pump).
- Conventional cooling with the ability to abstract heat from an internal source, as above, or from external sources, e.g., outdoor air, well water, etc.



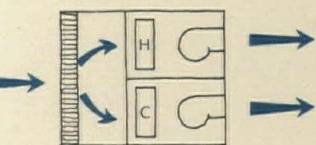
SINGLE DUCT DRAW-THROUGH



SINGLE DUCT BLOW-THROUGH

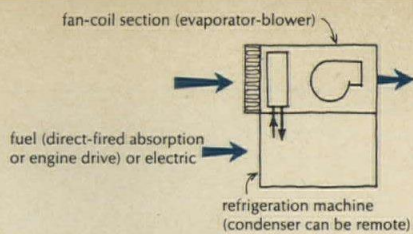


TWO DUCT BLOW-THROUGH (for multi-zone or double duct appl.)



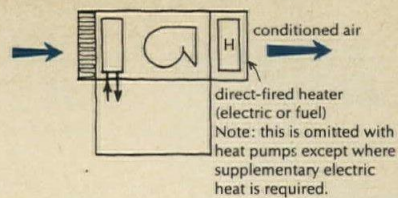
TWO DUCT TWO-FAN SECTION (for double duct application only. Not now available as a package.)

Air flow moving and conditioning (fan-coil) packages. The additional packaged functions which can be added, related to basic conditioning of the air, in addition to basic heating and cooling are: 1) automation of filter renewal or cleaning, 2) air purification (removal of odors, vapors), 3) preheating of air (to prevent coil freeze-up too low an air temperature to spaces), 4) reheating of air (related to temperature and humidity control), 5) dehumidification (beyond that incidental to moisture removal when air is cooled, e.g., utilization of solid or liquid adsorbents or absorbents), 6) humidification by steam, evaporation from sprays, pans or grids, or by "atomization"), 7) evaporative cooling (extends range of "free" cooling).



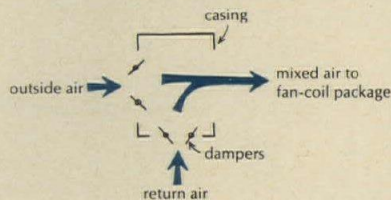
UNITARY "COOLING ONLY" PACKAGE (addition of hot-water or steam coil optional)

Basic unitary air-conditioner packages. Reference to sketches and notes for the hot and cold fluid generating packages as well as to those for air-flow moving and conditioning packages will indicate the types of sub-pack-

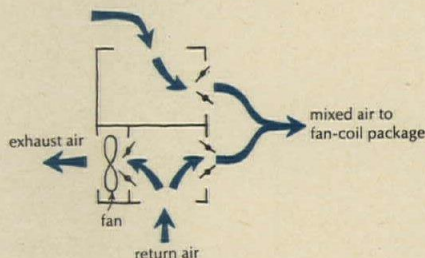


BASIC UNITARY COOLING-HEATING AIR CONDITIONER

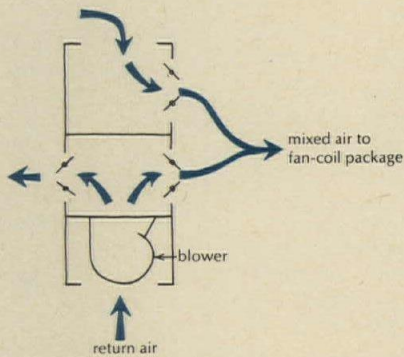
ages employed. With the unitary air conditioner, a more limited selection of air-flow moving and conditioning package generally applies, and varies considerably depending on the manufacturer.



a. BASIC

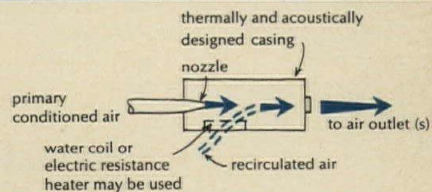


b. WITH POWER-EXHAUST

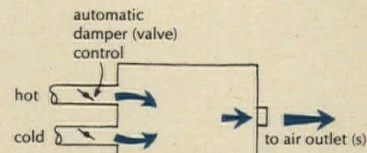


c. WITH POWER-RETURN

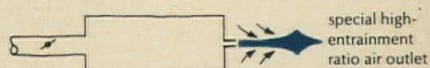
Ventilation supply- and exhaust-ratio control packages. These are an important feature of any air-conditioning system, being necessary to insure positive outside ventilation air and to utilize outside air for "free" cooling. Control must be properly sequenced with heating, cooling, and humidity control provided for the package. Design of the return air duct system must be carefully checked against the static-pressure exhaust capability of the package. The dry air "free" cooling can be supplemented and followed by an evaporative cooling package, but this adds complexity to the related controls. Further, the water sprays used will require that an outside air preheater and its control be added to the package.



a. SINGLE DUCT, INDUCTION TYPE



b. MIXING TYPE



c. SINGLE DUCT, NON-INDUCTION, VOLUME-CONTROL TYPE

Air-powered terminal units. These packages are designed for either room or zone application. The induction type, where used with a water coil, can be applied for either a two-, three- or four-pipe system, similar to fan-coil system application.

Packaged control systems. Standardized (but not packaged) control systems are recommended by many control and equipment manufacturers, but the integration of these into a multi-function package by an air-conditioning equipment manufacturer necessarily limits choices and options. This is particularly true with unitary heating and cooling plants which are an integral part of a unitary air conditioner (e.g., for the complete package including a direct gas-fired heater, a condition of approval is the complete listing of all related controls).

Air-powered terminal units often have integral, packaged air-powered damper controls for the room unit, powered from system air pressure.

Water-and-air and water-type room terminal units can have the unit water valve controlled from the thermal expansion of fluid in a power bulb placed in the recirculation air stream.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS RELATED TO PACKAGE EQUIPMENT

BOILER—Term used to describe steam or hot water generators used in the residential and small commercial building market.

BOILER-BURNER UNIT—A packaged hot fluid generator comprised of a fuel burner and controls, a matching combustion chamber, a direct contact heater and auxiliary trim and safety valves.

COMBUSTION CHAMBER—An insulated enclosure designed for high temperature to provide efficient air-fuel mixing and burning.

COMPONENT—A single basic element or device in a multi-component assembly or an over-all system (e.g., a fan; a motor for a fan; a pump; a pump impeller; a thermostat; an air outlet; a baseboard heating element; etc.).

DIRECT CONTACT AIR HEATER—A direct fired heater in which the combustion gases (intermediate fluid) transmit heat to the primary fluid (air) through a heat exchanger. Alternately, an electric resistance heater in the primary air stream.

DIRECT EXPANSION AIR CONDITIONING—Cooling by means of the expansion of the refrigerant into a vapor contained within the tubes of an air cooling coil.

EVAPORATIVE COOLING—Cooling of primary air by means of the evaporation of sprayed water into vapor (used as the refrigerant)—within the primary air stream. Applicable only when outside air moisture content is low relative to desired room conditions.

FLOW MOVER—A device such as a fan, a pump or a compressor, which is utilized to move or pressurize a thermal fluid.

FLOW MOVING AND CONDITIONING (FAN-COIL) PACKAGE—A matched assembly containing in the basic package an air flow mover, an air filter, a heating element and a cooling coil. The basic process of conditioning supply air is done by this unit. Many other functions can be included.

HEAT REJECTION—The dissipation of waste heat to the outside (air, well water, etc.) which is generated in conjunction with the operation of (1) engines producing shaft power from the energy in fuel (2) refrigeration machines.

HERMETIC—A term applied to completely sealed equipment—usually applied to refrigeration equipment.

INTERMEDIATE FLUID—A thermal fluid used to transmit heating, cooling or humidification effect to the primary fluid, through the medium of heat exchange.

MULTI-ZONE AIR CONDITIONER—A fan coil unit with air heating and cooling arranged in two parallel streams with zone mixing provisions integral within the unit rather than at remote terminal units (as in a double duct system). Units may be completely unitary for both cooling and heating (in this case the fan coil section would be part of the complete package) or the condensing unit only might be unitary with the fan coil package separately selected.

PACKAGE—A matched grouping of two or more component capable of fulfilling a definable function (e.g., baseboard heater with integral thermostat; standard in-line non-overloading pump/motor combination; a unitary air conditioner, etc.)

PACKAGED COLD FLUID GENERATOR—A central packaged secondary energy generating unit producing chilled water by means of a refrigeration machine.

PACKAGED CONTROL SYSTEMS—Manufacturer pre-selected system controls, e.g., for any or all of the following: (1) central energy producing unit—heating and cooling; (2) ventilation air ratio control; (3) zone control—either for multi-zone, double duct, variable air volume or other types of control; (4) humidity control; (5) evaporative cooling control; (6) reheat control.

PACKAGED HERMETIC REFRIGERATION COMPRESSOR—A compressor in a sealed refrigeration unit which is driven by an electric motor placed in the inlet vapor stream entering the compressor. Any heat due to motor inefficiency or starting power surges is removed from the motor windings by the flow of refrigerant suction vapor.

PACKAGED HOT FLUID GENERATOR—A central packaged secondary energy generating unit producing steam or hot water by means of a direct contact heater, waste heat heat exchanger, heat pump, etc.

PRE-ENGINEERING—The selective matching by a single manufacturer of limited groupings of standardized components, packages and controls to suit a range of anticipated application engineering design requirements of actual systems.

PRIMARY FLUID—Conditioned supply air (in an air-conditioning system).

THERMAL FLUID—Heat transfer fluid (air, water, gas, vapor) circulated within a system to produce heating or cooling either by direct mixing or by conductive heat exchange in a heat exchanger.

UNITARY AIR CONDITIONER SPLIT SYSTEM PACKAGES—Matched, multi-package assemblies wherein the condenser package only or the condensing unit package is remote from the evaporator blower (fan-coil) package.

UNITARY PACKAGED CONDENSING UNIT—A refrigeration unit similar to that contained in a unitary air conditioner, complete except for the evaporator-blower section. Units can always be matched with fan-coil packages designed for "built-up package" air-conditioning systems—even though some are designed specifically for application with matching evaporator-blower "split system" unitary air-conditioner packages.

UNITARY PACKAGED EQUIPMENT—(1) Completely self-contained secondary energy producing plant (with integral provisions for thermal fluid flow moving); (2) a unitary air conditioner for cooling only or cooling and heating, which includes such plants.

WASTE HEAT—Secondary energy in the form of exhaust gases, engine jacket water heat, space exhaust air, warm refrigeration machine condenser air or water, lighting fixture heat, etc. which is normally dissipated to the surrounding ambient.

ctually, there can be no such thing completely pre-engineered general air-conditioning system. It is possible to come close to this with packages or unitary central systems if there were complete standardization of building design and construction for a particular building type in a specific geographical area. But, in practice, complete pre-engineering is not possible because: 1) heat loss and gain calculations must always be made and checked, 2) thermal fluid distribution systems always require careful sizing and one is dealing with small, constant systems where standard-size (probably over-sized) mains and runouts can be employed, 3) placement of terminal outlets, heating elements or air-conditioning terminal units is critical to performance, 4) the location and orientation of the space thermostat is very important, and its location within the space must be carefully selected.

The designer of an air-conditioning system is not expected to be an expert in the design of system components and equipment; conversely, the manufacturer is not likely to be proficient in the over-all design of an air-conditioning system. Obviously, the consulting engineer must be fully conversant with industry standards on equipment; further, in this, he must know how to indicate important details of construction and performance in his specifications in such a way that the contractor will be obliged to provide them.

It is understandable that industry standards are, necessarily, minimum specification criteria; thus the prudent engineer will want to familiarize himself with important detailed information on the elements in a package. The problem is more serious today because packages include a much wider range of components, and the manufacturer may not furnish information on all the components since he takes responsibility for the matched selection of the components.

Basically the function of industry standards is to establish a minimum quality to which the members of a manufacturers' association agree to meet as a requirement for product certification and listing. A secondary function of real importance is protection of the public's interest. The result is, of course, lower costs to manufacturer and consumer.

All manufacturers are involved to a greater or lesser extent in providing application information, and with the increasing variety and scope of packages, this information is even more important to the engineer.

With larger central systems, manufacturers involvement in providing over-

all system application guidance is relatively at a minimum. The manufacturer is concerned mainly with the proper physical installation of each package, particularly with respect to proper connections, foundation, and provision for clearances for proper operation and maintenance.

The engineer, by his very nature, must be "systems oriented," while the manufacturer does not have to be. When there were fewer system types and combinations, the manufacturer was able to afford more "back-up" engineering services to the engineer in the systems selection and appraisal phase of preliminary design. Obviously the manufacturer whose product line contains a broad range of components can afford to provide more application engineering information. He, of course, will want to limit the cost of his involvement—his objective being to furnish adequate information to help insure that plans and specifications for the systems using his components are correct and adequate.

The mechanical engineer's available sources of over-all design information and guidance are considerable. The trend, however is to short-form load calculations, standardization of design details and system selection. Some reference sources, while valuable for detailed information, may seldom be referred to because the information is too diffuse and detailed for practical, day-to-day use. Various manufacturers, the Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute, and individual engineering firms have all developed reference data in easy-to-use form. The danger is that such data can be used indiscriminately if the limits of use are not clearly set forth.

Architects should realize that mechanical engineering for buildings is hardly a precise science. Manufacturers do not guarantee equipment capacity closer than 5 per cent; air balance cannot be closer than, say, 10 per cent. Thus the presumption that design accuracy on any commercial or institutional installation is closer than 10 to 15 per cent at best is highly unrealistic. It is important, therefore, that there be flexibility for balance and adjustment within the system to meet actual, "as-built" load conditions.

All consulting engineering firms of any size, and most particularly those in heavy industrial, power plant and process industry field, have engineering design manuals for "in-house-only" use. Further, various government agencies such as the General Services Administration, Department of Defense, Post Office Department, Corps of Engineers, and the Navy have set forth many standards for the guidance of outside consultants.

While the engineer is not heavily in-

involved in detailed information on separate components of packages, the installing contractor and the building owner's operating engineers—who will be involved in replacement and service—will be concerned with this sort of information.

Today, the design of the more complex air-conditioning systems and their supporting energy plants involves knowledge in a good many different areas, frequently beyond the range of any one person. And unfortunately, the most knowledgeable engineers involved in field analysis of installations do not have time to commit their knowledge to writing. On the other hand, some problems arise because of the misapplication of components or controls within a system or because of misapplication of the package, itself, within the system. (An example of the latter is the use of a package water chiller with no provision for capacity control in a system operating much of the time at low load.)

Manufacturer involvement must be at a maximum when the "package" is a combination of smaller packages. An example is a unitary heating-cooling air conditioner with pre-selected packaged controls for sophisticated multi-zone application. In this case the manufacturer must furnish complete and detailed application information on over-all system design and on any application limitations. Another factor the manufacturer must account for is the nature of the building in which the package is to be used. If, for example, the system relies on overhead air distribution, it is important for the manufacturer to emphasize that the architect insulate on-grade floor slabs and give attention to exterior window and wall construction.

While such systems have been termed "pre-engineered" systems, this is to some extent a misnomer, since the manufacturers make it very clear that the equipment package has certain application limitations, and that load calculations, design of the air distribution system and the selection of air outlets is very much a custom design.

The big advantage in the use of such a system is single-manufacturer responsibility, with single-source back-up engineering, service and maintenance responsibility.

The last 15 years or so have seen many improvements in equipment such as fans, pumps, compressors, boilers, cooling towers, etc.

Dimensions of units—both components and packages are smaller, per unit of capacity. While "miniaturization" may not be the proper word to use, "size-reduction"—a less romantic term—has been the order of the day.

Of all the systems the architect deals with affecting the physical environment, air conditioning is by far the most complex in an engineering sense.

How much should the architect know about air conditioning?

This is a most difficult question to answer since air conditioning, beyond its effect on human comfort, exerts an influence on over-all ownership and operating costs of a building, its appearance, the selection and design of its structural system; and involves the acoustical considerations of noise and vibration.

At the very least, the architect should appreciate the fact that, while thermal environmental control systems can be designed to cope with very severe loading conditions caused by sun, lights and people, costs can be outrageous, and *optimum* comfort conditions may be very difficult to provide, particularly when there are wide fluctuations in the Btu load due to sun.

It is true that even the most elementary air-conditioning system can help people avoid extremes of discomfort. And, despite the vagaries of peoples' subjective reactions to the thermal environment, most people can be provided not only acceptable conditions, but even pleasant ones.

What is not realized by many building designers is that it is much more difficult to provide a pleasant thermal environment for a system providing cooling than one providing heating. Air movement and humidity control become critical in the cooling situation. This calls for both careful selection and design of the basic system, and proper selection and location of room air-supply inlets. Some investigators have suggested that "built-in" fluctuations in air velocity can provide more stimulating conditions. For example: one scientist found that in calm air at 66 F, with mild air current impinging on the face, a sudden increase of speed from 12 to 30 fpm was enough to produce a just-perceptible feeling of coolness. Air speeds below 15 feet per minute, or so, at head level cause complaints about stagnant air; speeds of 25 fpm are considered favorable, and 50 fpm is approaching the maximum tolerable velocity for seated persons in an air-conditioned environment. Another investigator found that 30 fpm velocity was perceptible at 54 F, while 120 fpm was just perceptible at 86 F.

Everyone is aware that excessive

humidity is a cause of discomfort. Current practice recommendations are that relative humidity be confined to a range from 40 to 60 per cent for office spaces. Relative humidity above 60 per cent is undesirable.

With air conditioning, the refrigeration apparatus supplies both cooling and supply air and control of its humidity. For optimum comfort conditions it is important that there always be a certain amount of air movement in the space and that swings in humidity be limited. An example of less-than-optimum conditions is that of a typical room with an air conditioner operating at low humidity conditions. If room temperature conditions are satisfied, the refrigeration compressor goes off, but the fan is still moving room air. It is possible then, that room humidity to swing up because recirculated room air can pick up moisture from the air conditioner's cooling coil. Such a situation can be avoided by selecting a unit which artificially loads the compressor at low demand and keeps it running continuously.

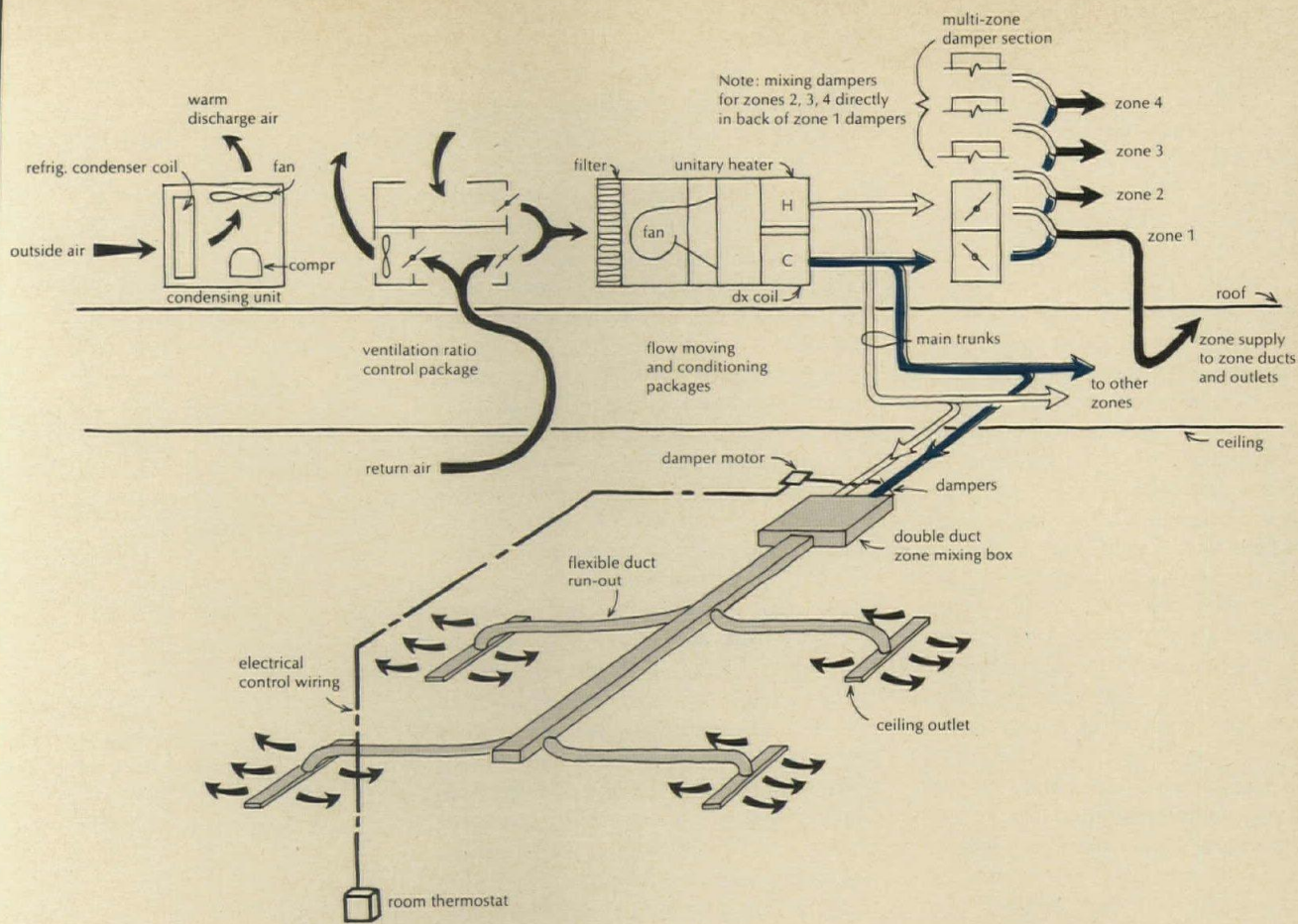
How good is good enough for the air-conditioned environment?

One of the things that makes air-conditioning system design difficult is that there are so many different possible ways to do it for a given building.

Many architects probably feel that the crux of the air-conditioning problem is the physical coordination of pipes and ducts with the structure, coordination of room air distribution devices in the ceiling system and at the perimeter; and working out equipment rooms so that as little usable area as possible is consumed for cooling equipment and fans.

While these are among the more obvious considerations of air conditioning that the architect must deal with, he must now recognize that there may be other more basic considerations which will affect system selection and determine the impact of the air-conditioning system on a given building. Examples: 1) the relative economics of various energy sources, 2) the write-off period for the equipment, 3) the importance of operating costs, 4) the availability of and cost of supervisory and operating personnel.

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FLOW DIAGRAM OF MULTI-ZONE ROOF-TOP UNITARY AIR CONDITIONER

The large-size pre-engineered package air conditioner assumes more and more importance as the industrialized building systems and volume purchasing concepts continue to grow. The first major application of this approach was the School Construction Systems Development project which employed 22-ton, roof-top, multi-zone packaged units.

In order that there be maximum professional involvement in the building system design process and participation in the development of future advanced air-conditioning systems employing pre-engineered packages, the following approach is suggested:

1. Inclusion of knowledgeable consulting engineers, application engineers, and installation and maintenance engineers in any advisory group involved in a "volume purchasing" approach.

2. Development of specific system performance criteria by owners and designers.

3. Development of standards with greater regard to requirements of the system as a whole. This implies the establishment of meaningful standards by volume purchasers that go beyond those of A.R.I. to more adequately reflect the many operating conditions met in practice. Standards for large-size packages should include standard sound ratings and cover the dynamic unbalance.

A manufacturer's approach to pre-engineered systems for S.C.S.D. The manufacturer who was awarded the contract for the air-conditioning system component of the School Construction Systems Development project could not supply equipment "off-the-shelf." He therefore specially developed a low-outline, lightweight, multi-zone air conditioner which suited the project's requirements as to function, appearance and weight. Lacking a multi-zone unit, a custom-appearance unit was developed by the manufacturer which then became a part of his standard line.

From his pre-S.C.S.D. product line and pre-engineered systems approach, the manufacturer was able to employ certain of his standard components such as the ventilation supply and exhaust ratio control package; separate unitary cooling and heating packages matched with the air-control package; an over-all system and sub-system pre-engineered control package.

All of these sub-system components were combined in a newly designed, low-profile package. In addition newly-developed matching air outlets and air-mixing terminal units were provided. The over-all system and sub-system control package was completely pre-engineered, following the manufacturer's pre-S.C.S.D. approach.

Over-all system design with pre-engineered unitary systems. The steps involved in applying pre-engineered unitary systems, and the suggested respective responsibilities of consulting engineer and manufacturer are as follows:

1. The fluid-distribution system design (involving stability, noise problems, heat loss or gain) will be performed by the consulting engineer.

2. Proper matching of the air-flow mover and ventilation supply and exhaust will be done by the consulting engineer.

3. Matching of the energy generating packages with auxiliaries, and the co-ordination of the energy packages with energy output control is the responsibility of the manufacturer.

4. Matching of the energy generator output with the air-flow distribution system is the manufacturer's responsibility, while matching capacities for ranges of heating and cooling loads is the engineer's role.

5. Co-ordination of the over-all and sub-system control packages will be done by the manufacturer, but the consulting engineer will need to understand the various control functions and know what the limits are.

6. System design for distribution of energy into the space, including proper thermostat location is the consulting engineer's job.

sonnel, 5) the criticality of the air-conditioning effect in relation to people and equipment, 6) the growing demand for greater flexibility in adapting to short-term and long-term changes in building layout.

Obviously, these are all matters that concern the architect in his programing of a particular building—and matters that should have a significant influence in his over-all planning. How, then, can the practicing architect gain more knowledge about the efficacy of different approaches, beyond that he has acquired in his own practice?

Perhaps the most effective way is to make personal inspections of a number of buildings similar to the one he is designing, make his own critical evaluations of such subjective factors as comfort and noise, and find out from operating personnel how well the system performs in terms of energy usage and maintenance. What may have seemed to be a most logical choice on paper may, in fact, pose problems that only a behind-the-scenes examination will bring to light.

Further, it now is important to the architect to familiarize himself a great deal more with air-conditioning system components and thermal environmental effects, particularly as the "performance concept" becomes an increasingly used business management tool. In the first place, this will help the architect in making a more sophisticated and knowledgeable presentation to a client. It is bound to be helpful in the early design stages.

Architects, of course, have the greatest familiarity with the visible elements of air-conditioning systems such as diffusers and terminal elements. Beyond the architect's concern for how these affect room appearance, he can help make physical coordination of various system elements easier by knowing what sort of installation space is required for such components.

Space requirements for duct runs, shafts and equipment rooms are probably next in order of interest to the architect. He would prefer to have some general rules of thumb that he might use in his early planning. It is doubtful that many architectural firms have accumulated this kind of information on an organized basis. Many consulting engineers working in the building field have, however, over a long period of time developed "design standards" which include quick methods for determining sizes of pipes, ducts, fan rooms, and the like. Most of this information is available only to the consultant's own personnel. There is no reason, of course, why the architect can't develop more

general guidelines for his own special purposes. Hopefully, the architect will call in his mechanical consultant very early in preliminary planning. But obviously in some of the early studies on a given project he would find some general rules helpful.

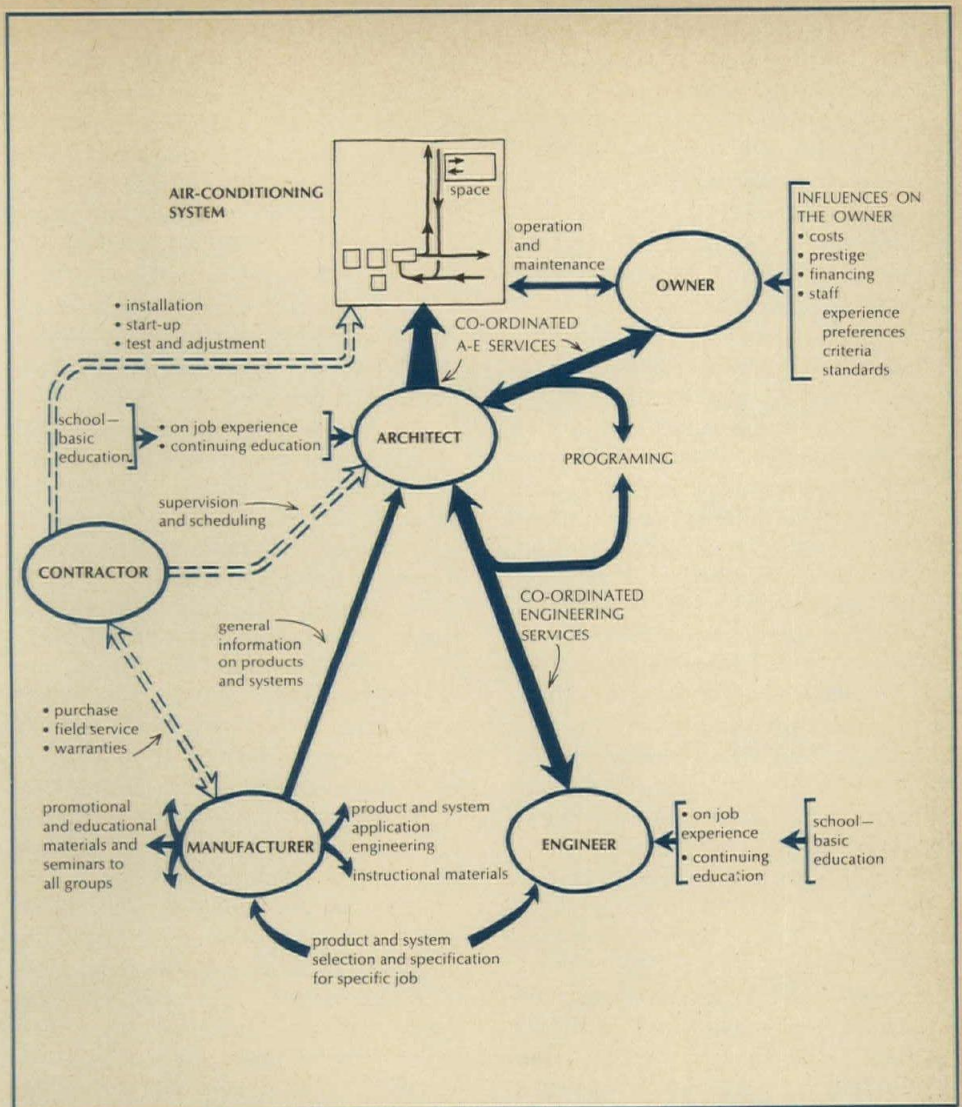
It has become very apparent in the last few years that greater architect-engineer communication is required at the programing stage to avoid inordinate costs and operational problems with mechanical systems. For example, excessive radiant effects from the sun or even lights, can cause difficulties with system design. A building space that alternately calls for heating and cooling during the fall and winter requires a more expensive system, and poses possible control difficulties, e.g., three- or four-pipe systems or dual-duct all-air system.

Now that mechanical refrigeration is the rule, it seems that less attention is paid to site conditions than was the case when natural breezes were relied on. This neglect is unfortunate, because microclimate and orientation factors can aid or adversely affect mechanical systems. Often forgotten are the implications of depressed sites which miss the breeze and lie in stagnant air; or the reflection and absorption of the sun's heat by such as reflecting pools or parking lots.

Another area requiring careful discussion among architect, engineer and client is that of energy source selection. The architect should recognize the special plants such as total energy, dual-use engines (normal use, refrigeration drive; emergency use, standby power) and district heat are more difficult to design.

Competition between opposing utilities on the one hand, and improved energy utilization equipment on the other, puts architects and engineers in the position of having to make recommendations concerning on-site electric power generation, all-electric buildings, engine-driven refrigeration, engine-heat recovery, and district heating and cooling distribution. Today the architect and owner are often uncertain as to the relative advantages and disadvantages of the various types of energy plants. Previously choices were less numerous and the plants, themselves, were simpler. And the consulting engineer, unless he has developed some expertise in these areas, may be overwhelmed by the vast amount of engineering details and studies prepared by various fuel and energy advocates to sell to clients directly. Much of the equipment used in on-site power plants is unfamiliar to the build-services consultant. The energy cycles are complex, and the controls, sophisticated.

intertwining relationships of architect, engineer, manufacturer, contractor and owner are complex, nonetheless, definable. And their sources of design information multitudinous.



Education: undergraduate, post-graduate, professional

By and large, most mechanical courses in architectural schools still are generalized surveys of mechanical equipment, together with some elementary problem solving—heat-loss calculations and pipe-sizing exercises. As a matter of fact, it is probably not possible to give a very comprehensive mechanical course in the basic architectural curriculum. At the minimum, however, undergraduates should be given some instruction on how heating and cooling effects get to a space; how heat gains and losses are offset, and what their relative magnitudes are. They should be given a layman's analysis of basic system components—what they are and how they work. It would be helpful if they were made aware of the importance of quality materials and workmanship and of proper specifications. But most of all, students should have an opportunity of seeing systems as they are being installed in buildings, so they will have an appreciation for the scale of various components, how they are put together for various sub-systems, where they are located, how the sub-systems combine to

form a total system, and how the total system relates to the building as a whole. This should be augmented by visits to working installations, particularly during severe loading conditions so that impressions can be formed of system characteristics and efficacies.

At the graduate level, it should be possible to develop new courses in thermodynamics and control theory which would comprise an explanation of concepts and terms in layman's language. Armed with this sort of knowledge, the architect, once in practice, will be better able to appraise various approaches to energy utilization: economics of various fuels, heat recovery techniques, heat pump applications, etc. As a matter of fact, these courses in engineering schools might benefit from a similar approach. Basically, the trouble is that students learn how to manipulate the mathematics and memorize the laws and rules without ever understanding their practical implications.

Few engineering schools offer undergraduate courses in mechanical engineering for buildings. Such courses

are being dropped rather than added, and this trend is likely to continue. For that matter, it is doubtful that any formalized academic programs can be developed and sustained to train mechanical engineers for the building field. Consulting engineering firms now find it difficult to attract graduate engineers, and this trend is likely to continue. To a lesser extent, manufacturers of air-conditioning equipment find it more difficult to attract graduate engineers. Consulting engineers will continue to get their engineering personnel as they have formerly—from manufacturers, from industrial-type consulting engineers, from contractors, and through in-house and technical-institute training. The nature of consulting mechanical engineering for buildings has changed somewhat in recent years, although it still has the attraction for the engineer of greater individual expression than many businesses. Practice has changed in the sense that, because of the increased complexity of buildings themselves, from 80 to 90 per cent of the total effort (percentage of fee) is represented by design (system layout) and drafting. Thus only 20 to 10 per cent involves "real" engineering which includes review and analysis in special areas.

In an effort to get away from the hackneyed equipment-survey approach in mechanical courses, some architectural schools have called in practicing consulting mechanical engineers for lectures and seminars. This can afford a greater sense of realism related to current practice, and possibly stimulate thinking in regard to better system integration and space planning.

The consultant as a lecturer would probably be of most help to students if he were to outline first of all what consultants do and how they function; then present rules of thumb (order of magnitude or degree, not design) relating to system choice, space requirements, load calculations, etc.; tell what goes on the

engineering drawings, and why; describe how a typical job proceeds through the office in terms of system selection, design and drafting; describe problems that arise in physical coordination and space allocation; outline what the engineer does during the installation phase, and then later on during initial system start-up, and during the balancing, testing and adjustment phase; and explain what the owner and his maintenance people will do regarding system operation during occupancy.

It is doubtful that discussions of "sample" jobs are of very much value, unless they are used to give general ideas of relative differences in system performance—minimum acceptable performance to optimum performance. A more helpful and instructive activity would be critiquing of student work from an over-all viewpoint. The hazard of the sample-job approach is that it offers only a limited, and perhaps biased, point of view; and, in addition may encourage students to look for architectural design statements and novel approaches rather than to achieve an understanding of basic principles.

Similarly, it would seem worthwhile to invite participation from manufacturers and various mechanical and electrical contractors. Even now there are the beginnings of manufacturer participation in environmental control courses at some schools. Manufacturers have the resources to do this. And, of course, it is to their own best interests to have such involvement as architectural decisions continue to have an ever-increasing influence on mechanical systems.

At the professional level, "continuing education" programs have been developed for the various architectural technology subjects. Also, manufacturers, professional and trade organizations have initiated various types of educational and reference aids as well as professional courses in air-conditioning topics.

Background for this series has been supplemented by discussion and consultation with all elements related to the air-conditioning field.

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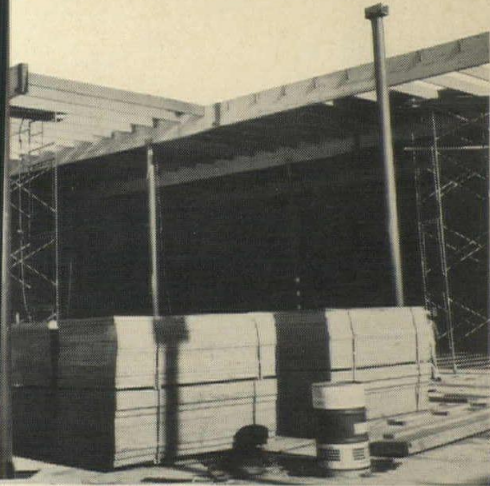
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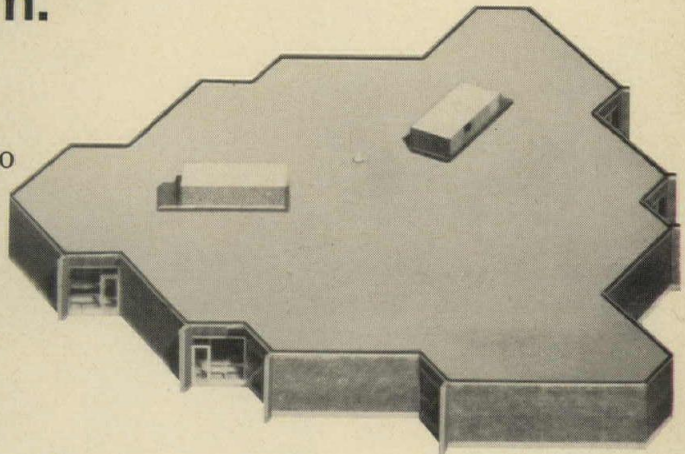
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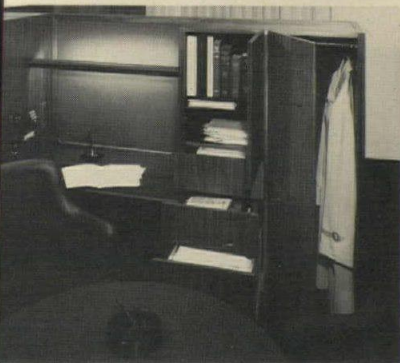
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OFFICE FURNITURE / A compact unit "to provide more relaxed customer-banker relations" has been designed for Exchange National Bank of Chicago by D., Inc., the Interior Space Division of Perkins and Will Partnership. Shown is *Centriform*, which occupies less space than four desks and chairs yet provides necessary privacy. Units contain writing ledge and work area, drawers, filing units, a built-in phone system, and wardrobe for coats and hats. ■ Lehigh Furniture Corp., New York City.

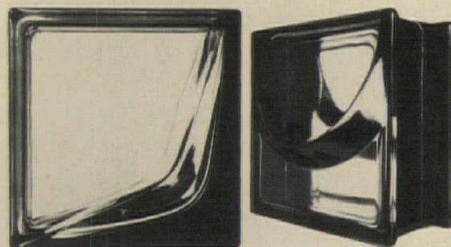
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ROOFING AND SIDING / *Zip-rib*, an aluminum system for industrial and commercial applications, consists of individual roofing panels that are "zipped" together with an electrically operated

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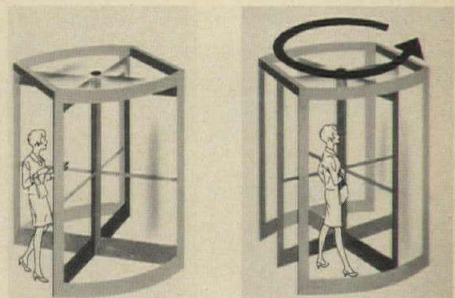
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OFFICE LITERATURE

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LIGHTING / A 16-page 1967 lighting handbook covers all phases of interior mercury vapor lighting. It serves as a reference and a guide in selecting, specifying, and installing high-, medium-, and low-bay mercury vapor lighting in industrial applications. ■ The Spero Electric Corporation, Cleveland.

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SOUND CONTROL / How added value through effective sound control can be built into garden apartments is explained in a technical brochure on RC-1 Sheetrock Resilient Channel Systems. ■ United States Gypsum Company, Chicago.*

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ROLLING DOORS / Steel doors, grilles and shutters designed for commercial, industrial, warehousing, institutional, and governmental service buildings are covered in a 16-page ready-reference fact file. ■ R. C. Mahon Company, Warren, Mich.*

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FLOORING / A report shows the results of a series of tests to determine the spotting and staining resistance of various flooring materials. Chemicals and staining agents were applied to the surface of asphalt tile, vinyl asbestos tile, vinyl tile and *Sancoura*, seamless poured floor. ■ Seamless Systems, Inc., St. Louis, Mo.*

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PLAZA WATERPROOFING / A 6-page brochure describes how a durable and impermeable moisture barrier of butyl rubber sheeting was applied at Ohio's Bowling Green University. The butyl rubber was installed between the roof of the new library, which is partially below grade, and a 1000-sq-ft plaza above. ■ Enjay Chemical Company, New York, N.Y.*

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RECREATION EQUIPMENT / An 8-page catalog includes a circular picnic table, four-seater and traditional rectangular park tables, park benches, and portable bleachers. ■ Dentin Mfg. Co., Bellwood, Ill.

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COLD STORAGE DOORS / In addition to standard types, the 16-page catalog of manual and power-operated doors shows cool-zone and freezer doors with several kinds of controls and operators. ■ Clark Door Company, Cranford, N.J.*

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BASE FOR CONCRETE / Metal forms for a permanent concrete floor and roof slab base are the subject of a 4-page brochure. The *Fab-Form* brochure includes information on standard and heavy-duty centering material produced in lengths up to 35 ft for continuous span installation. ■ Steelite Buildings, Inc., Pittsburgh.

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STORAGE EQUIPMENT / A revised 48-page catalog offers descriptions and selling prices on a complete line of steel equipment for plants, offices, and institutions. The catalog covers 91 standard shelving units, accessories, and shop equipment. ■ Penco Products Inc., Oaks, Pa.*

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OFFICE FURNITURE / One booklet shows the 6000 series desks; another presents William Sullivan chairs. Both aimed at complementing buildings conceived by America's young architects. ■ Marble/Imperial Furniture Company, Bedford, Ohio.

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INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS / A 16-page quick-reference illustrated catalog is directed toward school, office, industrial, church, hotel, and sport-recreation installations. Various systems and components are described. ■ Dukane Corporation, St. Charles, Ill.

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ANODIC FINISHES / A 12-page booklet includes sections on color and alloy selection, design and fabricating considerations, and descriptions of pre-anodizing treatments and finishes. ■ Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation, Oakland, Calif.*

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BUILDING CERAMICS / An 8-page booklet demonstrates the design possibilities with *Brickplate*, showing that an almost limitless variety of custom design effects for walls, floors, and siding can be developed through the use of special colors, textures, shapes and patterns. ■ Gail International, San Francisco.*

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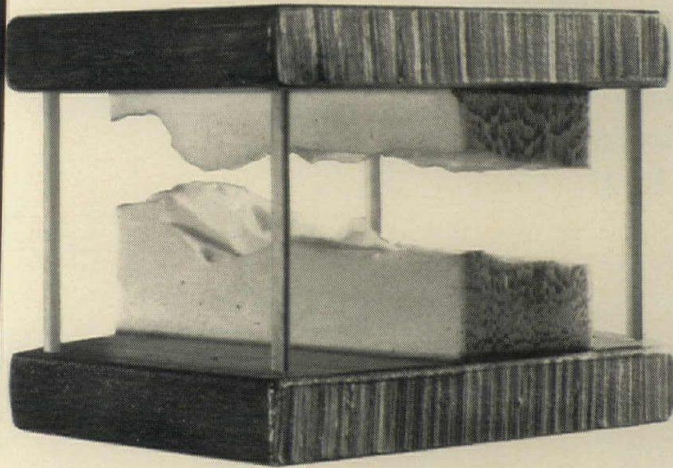
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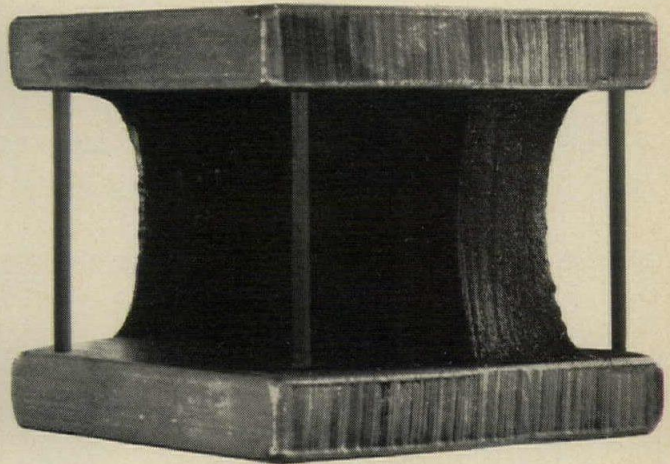
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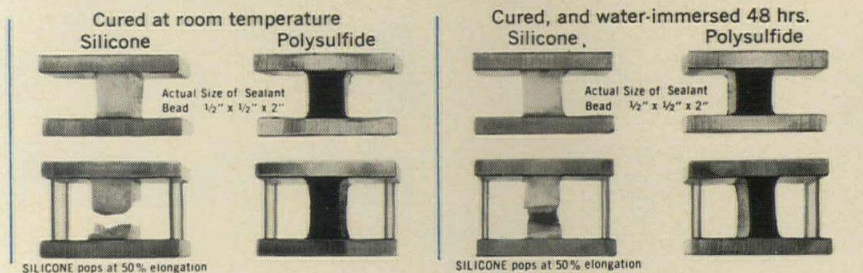
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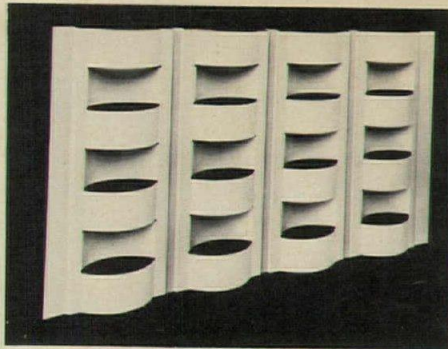
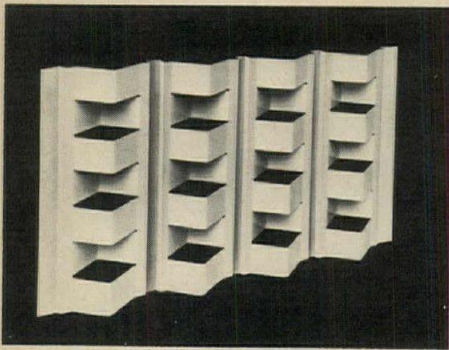
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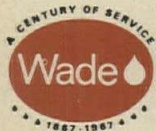
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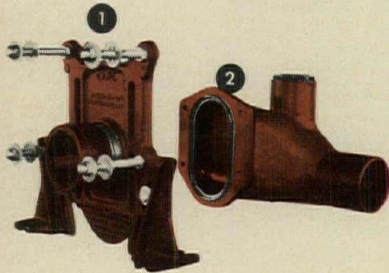


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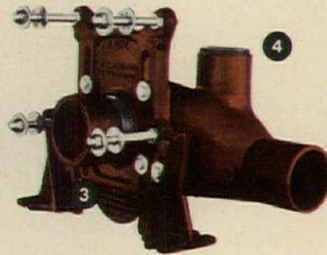
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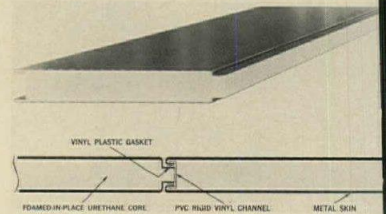
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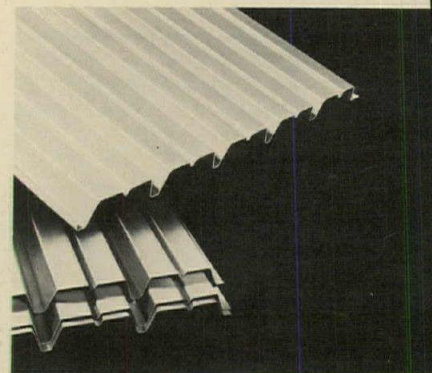
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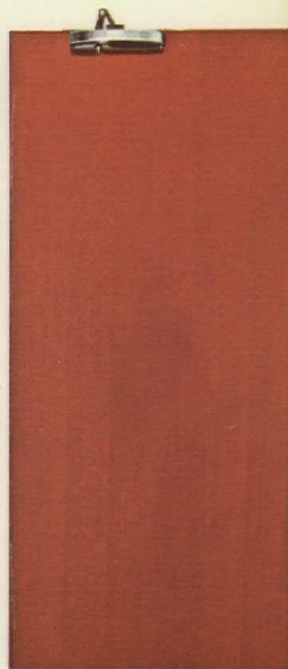
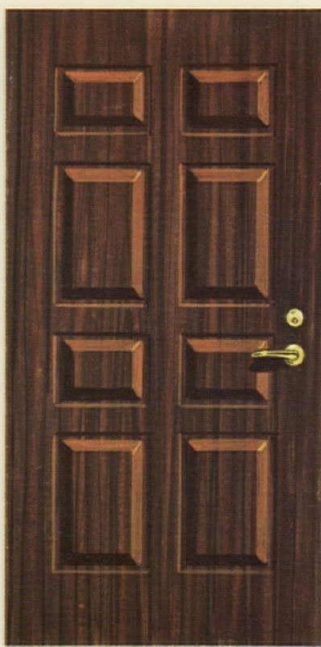


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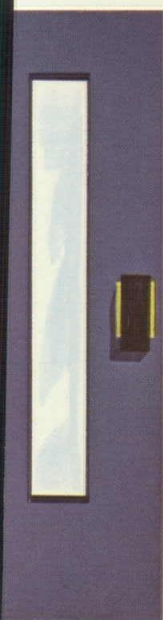


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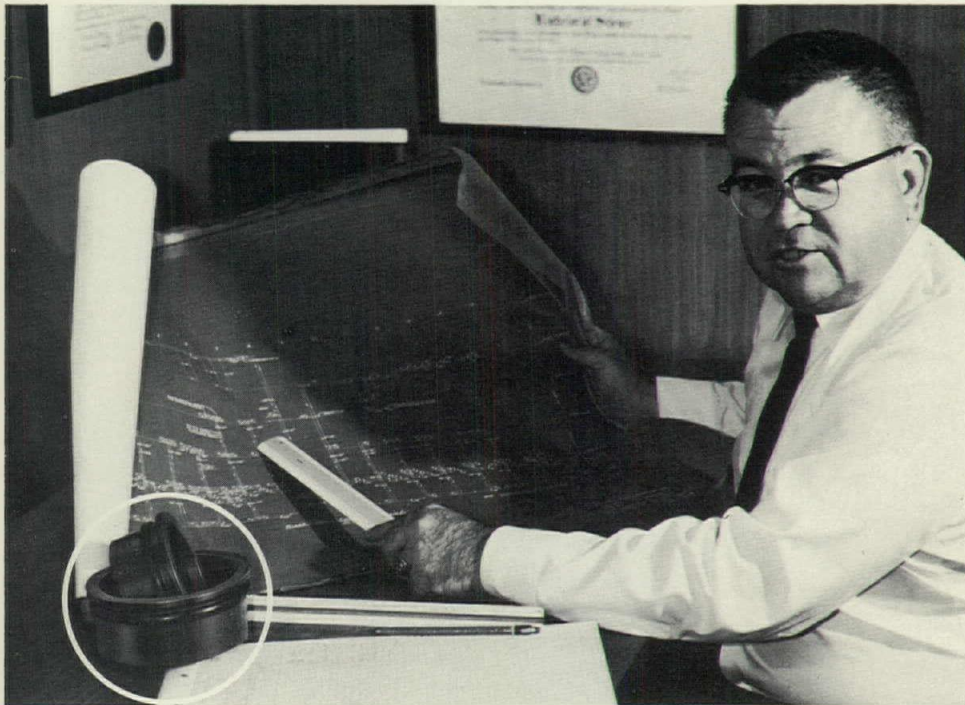


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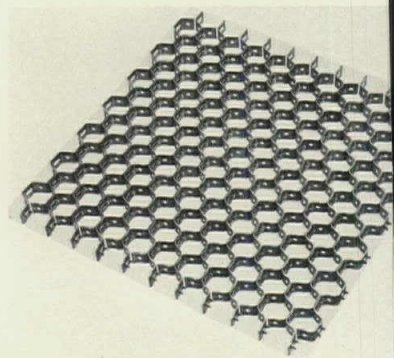
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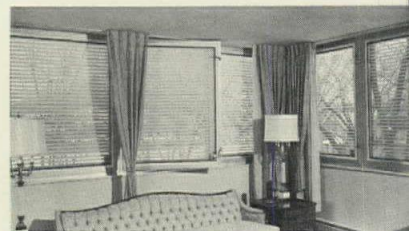
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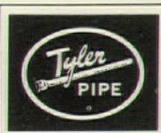
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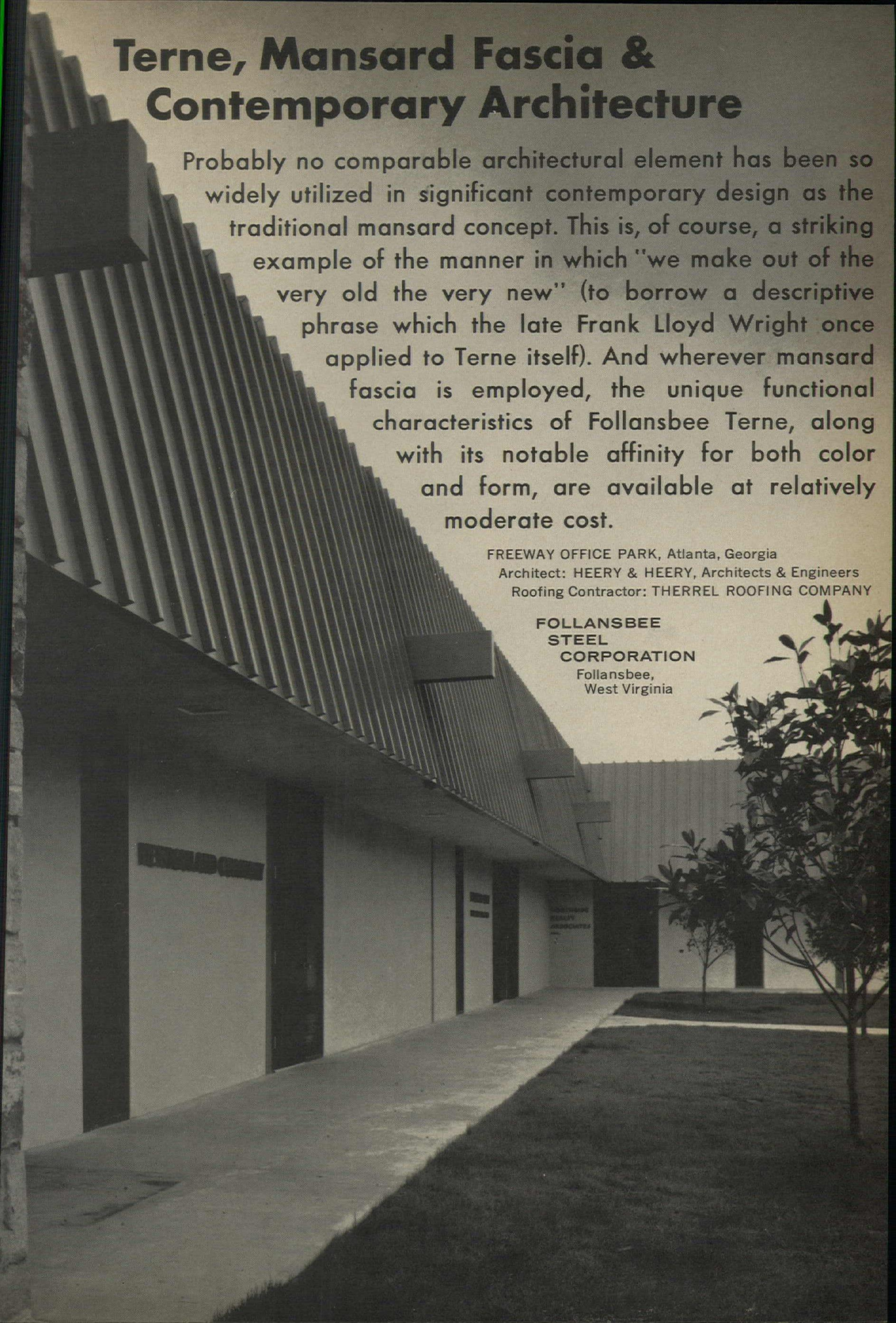
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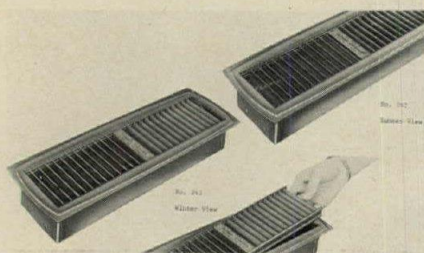
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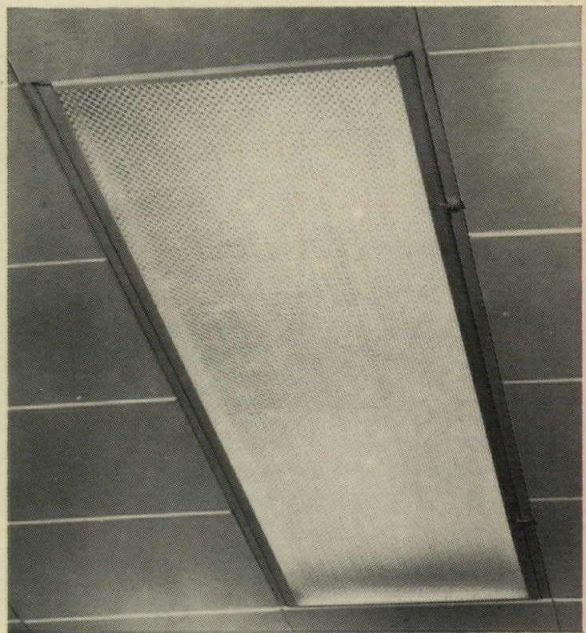


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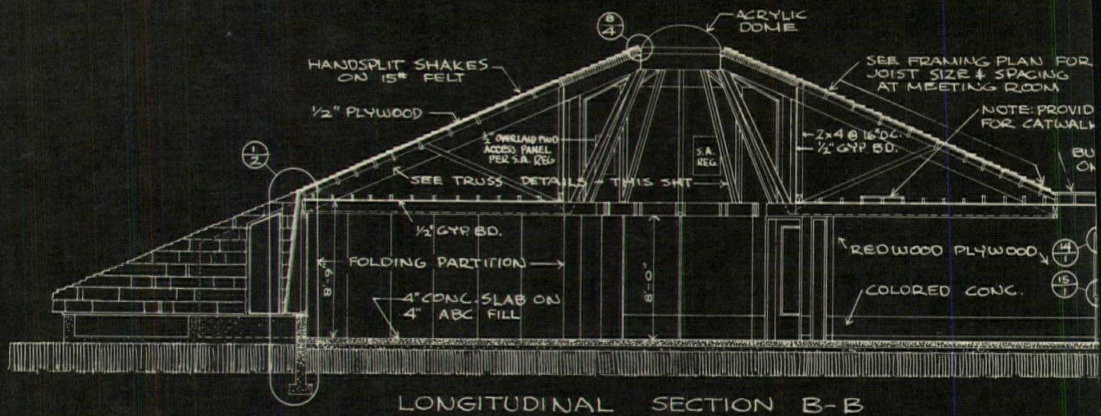
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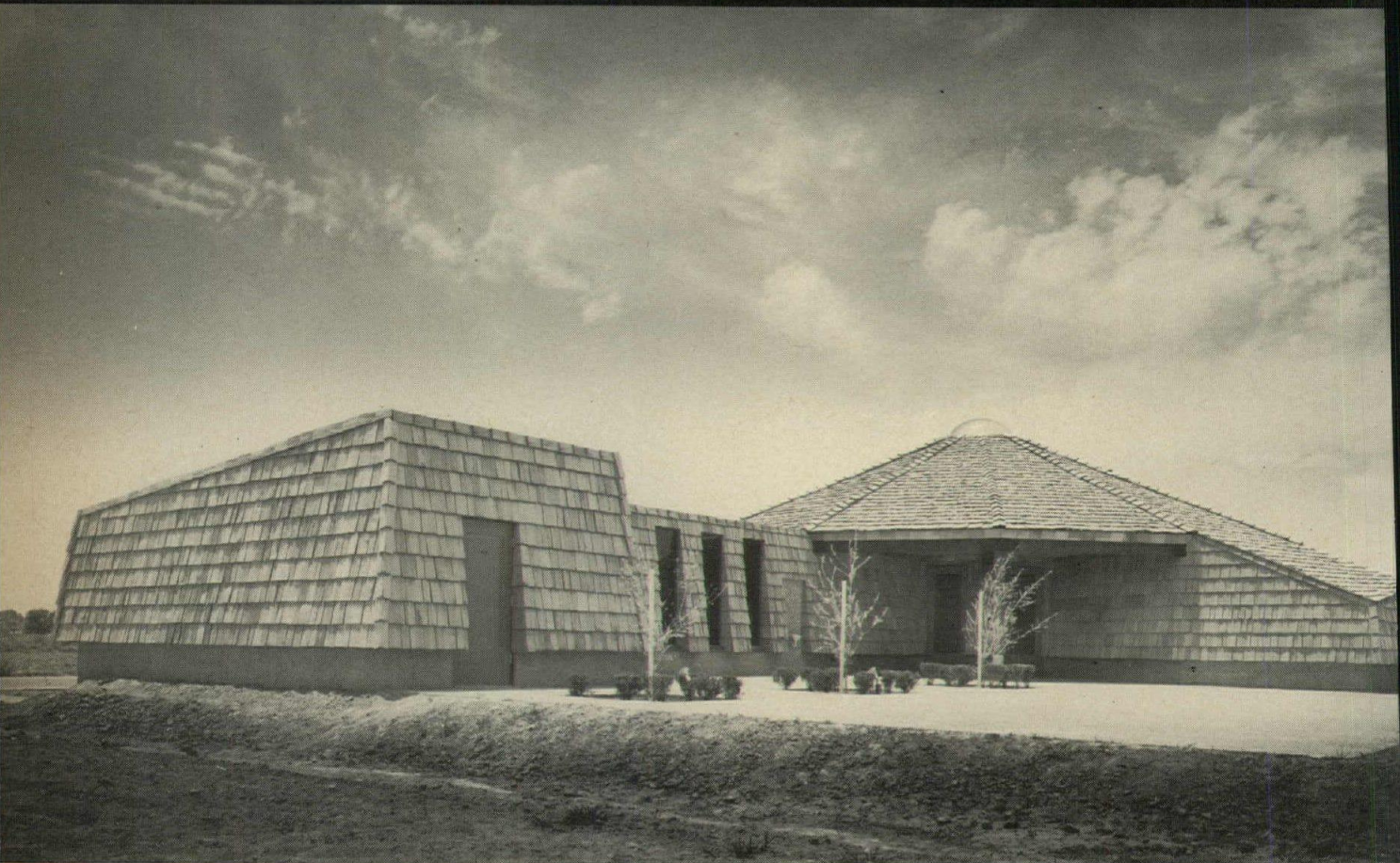
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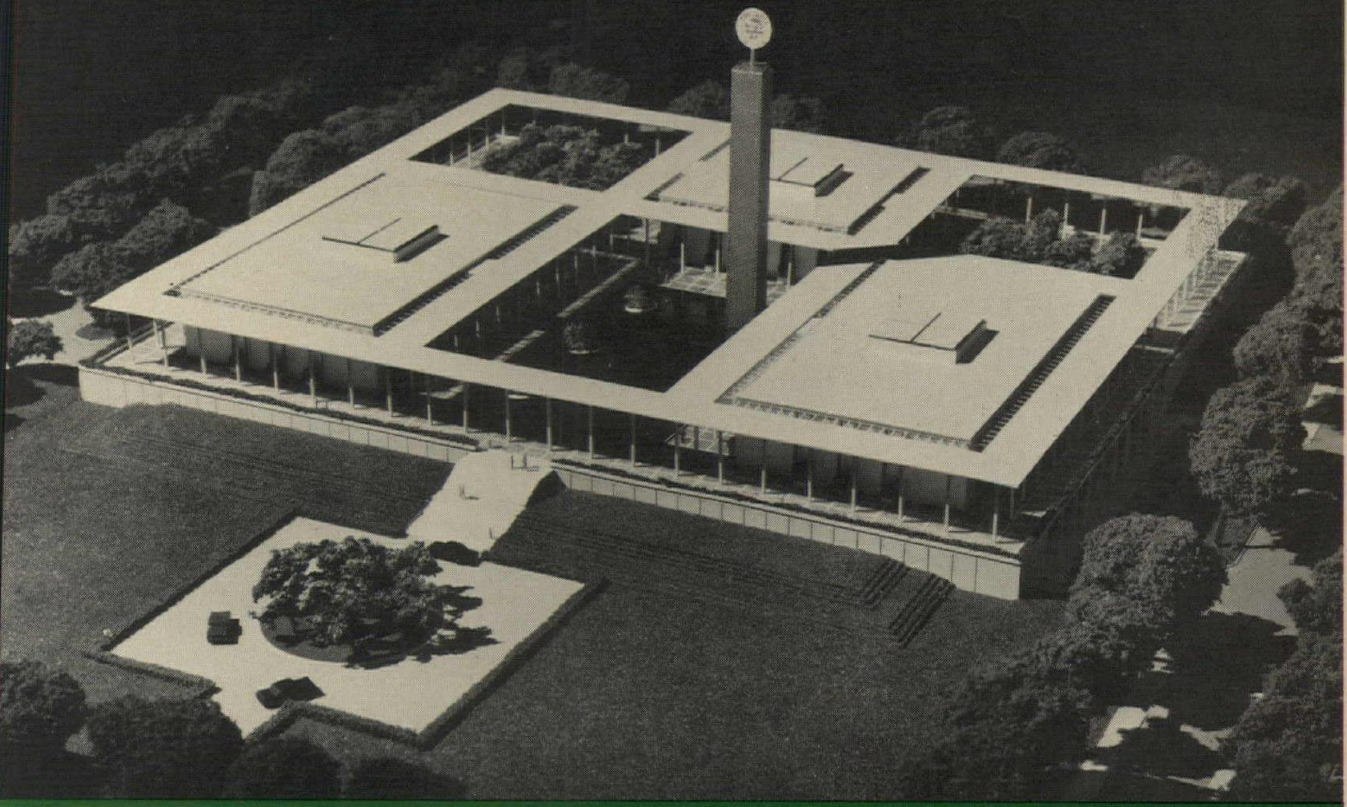
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HARDWOOD VENEERS / "Fine Hardwood Veneers for Architectural Interiors" is an 8-page brochure that includes color photographs of installations and information on veneer species, colors, finishes, signs, and possible effects. ■ Fine Hardwood Association, Chicago.

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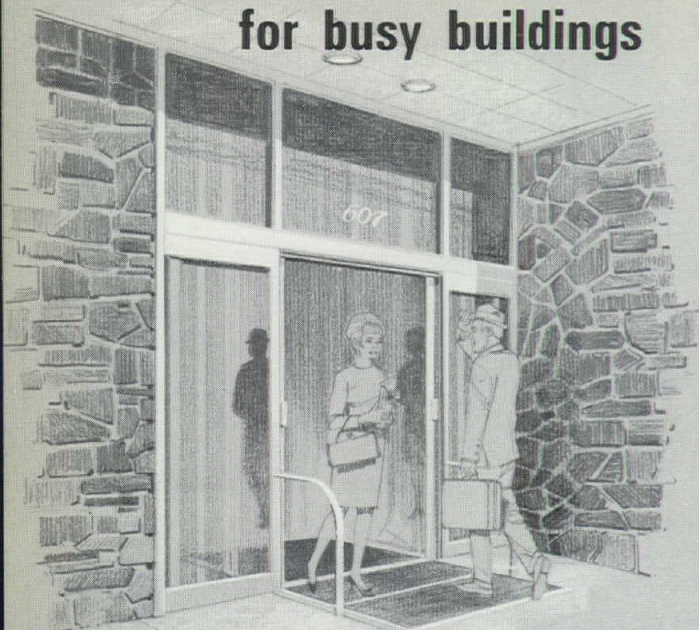
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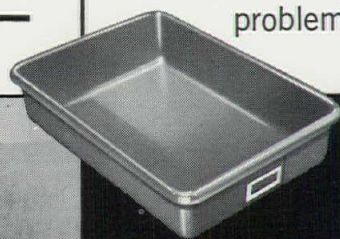
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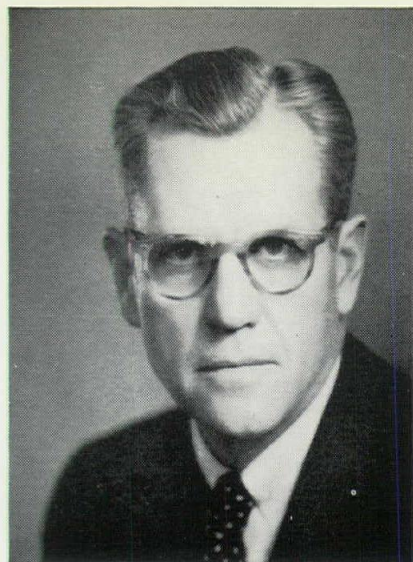
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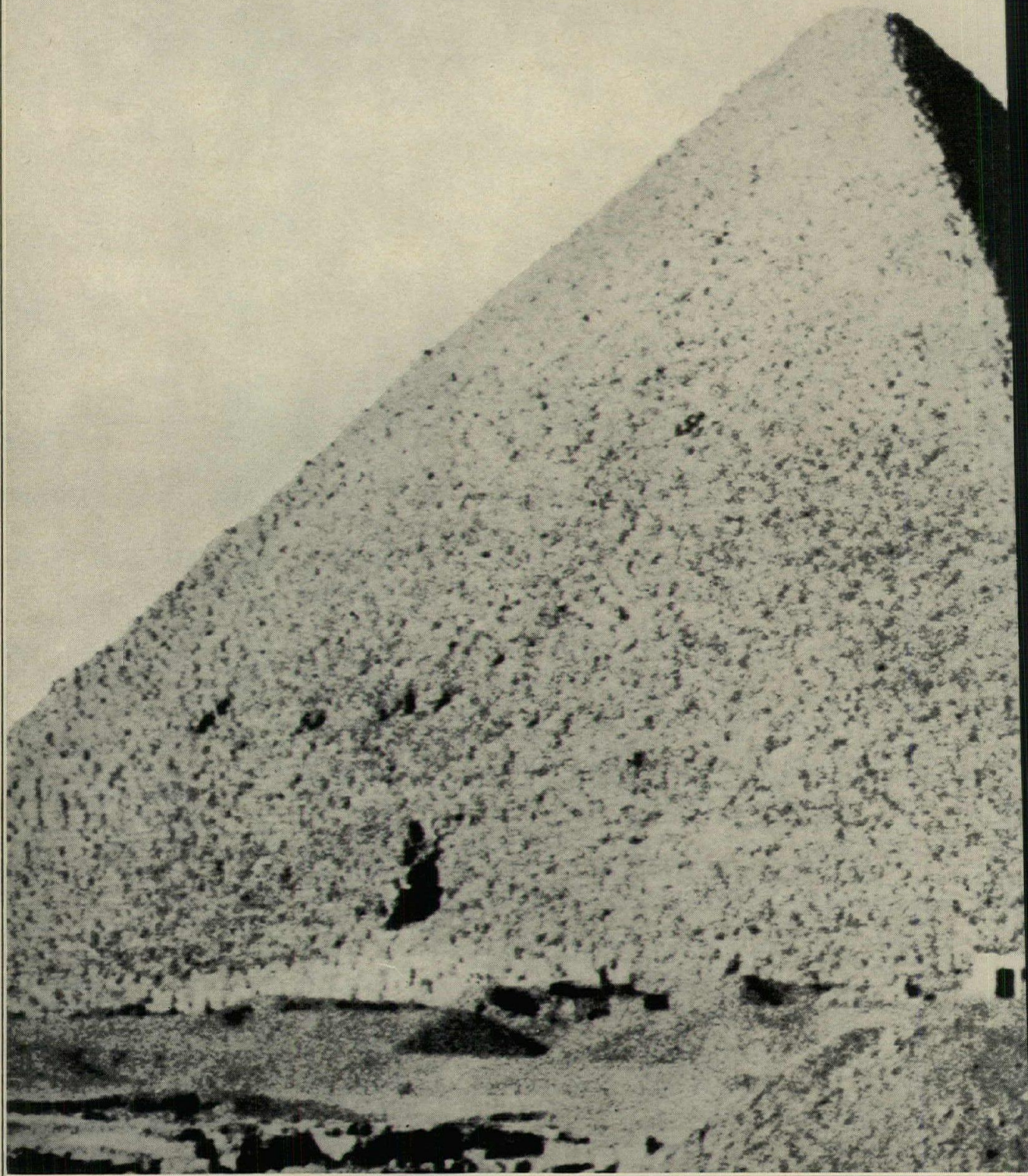
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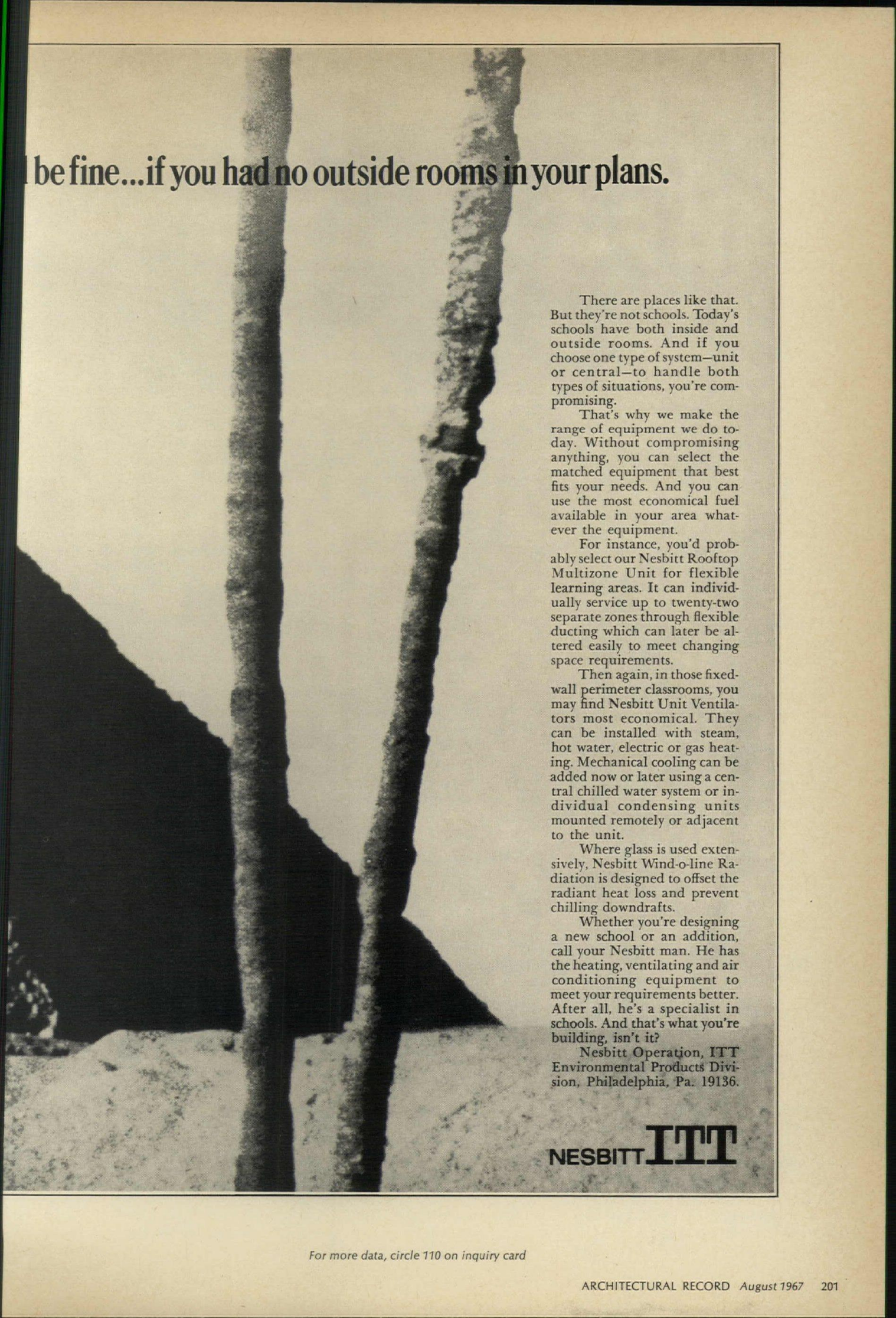
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Morris Lapidus—an architect best noted among his colleagues, perhaps, for the business acumen and architectural *elan* with which he has caught the spirit of hotel clients in Miami and New York—has written a book about the practice of architecture which will be of considerable value to the profession, particularly to those who have just started their own offices or are about to do so.

Architecture: a Profession and a Business is primarily concerned to demonstrate to architects that there is no inherent reason why they cannot make a financial and business success of their offices and at the same time maintain their professional integrity. Lapidus goes on to examine in detail the kind of office procedures, accounting methods, partnership agreements and client-architect relationships that make success possible. Occupational hazards, popular fallacies, frequently-made errors of administration and organization also come in for discussion.

Lapidus is well aware of many of the deeply ingrained prejudices and prejudices which make architects hesitant to sell their skills too vigorously to prospective clients, but he vigorously scoffs at any such inhibiting delicacy of feeling: "Architecture must be sold like any other commodity" he says. "You will probably object to this statement, saying that architecture is a personal service, and just as the doctor or lawyer sits in his office and waits for patients and clients, so, too, the architect should wait for his clients to come to him. This idea went out with the artist's smock and the flowing black tie. . . . This is the day of the soft or hard sell. Whichever it is, the architect must somehow present himself to possible clients. . . . Although the ethics of the architectural profession prohibit advertising, every good businessman has learned how to sell his product or service. Many and varied are the tech-

niques used. It is just as important for the architect to have some method of projecting himself, his services and his work to the buying public—his potential clients. Hiding your light under a bushel will only draw insects not clients."

There are some very good chapters on cost and job control in which Lapidus emphasizes the importance of establishing an accepted system and style of work, of making sure that all employees know and follow the established office procedure, of making constant checks on time and expenditure involved in individual jobs. All this is illustrated by detailed examples of working, programing and control systems for jobs and offices of varying size and complexity.

The reader should not be misled by the simple style of writing or the careful statement of what may seem obvious to the seasoned practitioner into dismissing this book as trivial or irrelevant. On the contrary, as Thomas Creighton says in his introduction: "I don't know where else you can find such penetrating, realistic discussions of such subjects as the risks of partnerships, the ways to achieve budget control, the methods of assaying and negotiating fees and many other down-to-earth matters" which are, after all, a critical part of the profession.

Urban low-rise group housing

ROW HOUSES AND CLUSTER HOUSES, AN INTERNATIONAL SURVEY. By Hubert Hoffmann. Frederick A. Praeger, Publishers, 111 Fourth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10003. 176 pp., illus. \$18.50.

Urban low-rise group housing, although not a new invention, is one which, this author concludes, can satisfy the owner's desire for a home of his own to the same extent as has the conventional free-standing one-family structure. He does not see an exclusive application of this method of housing but rather the use of this building type in an amalgamation of small building units of various types, with the inhabitants a mixture of differing occupants, income classes, educational levels and family ages.

Many opponents of low-rise group housing have given economic, sociologi-

cal and psychological objections to its use. This author has taken exception to these objections in his discussion of technical and economic comparisons of low-rise and multi-story housing, and sociological and psychological considerations of such grouping. A principal argument against low-rise housing in urban areas is the allegedly greater area requirement—a feeling arrived at from a spontaneous association with the low-density suburban sprawl surrounding cities. Studies are cited which provide convincing proofs that the area gain obtained by multi-story housing is minute if built-up areas of the residential district are related to the gross areas of the total district. And finally, the advantages of diagonal arrangement—*Habitat*—and the particularly favorable industrial prefabrication of such housing are discussed.

After the author's worthwhile reassessment of the advantages and drawbacks of this method, an international selection of row and cluster housing makes up the larger part of the book.

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CITIES IN A RACE WITH TIME. By Jeanne R. Lovvick. Random House, Inc., 457 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022. 601 pp., illus. \$10.00.

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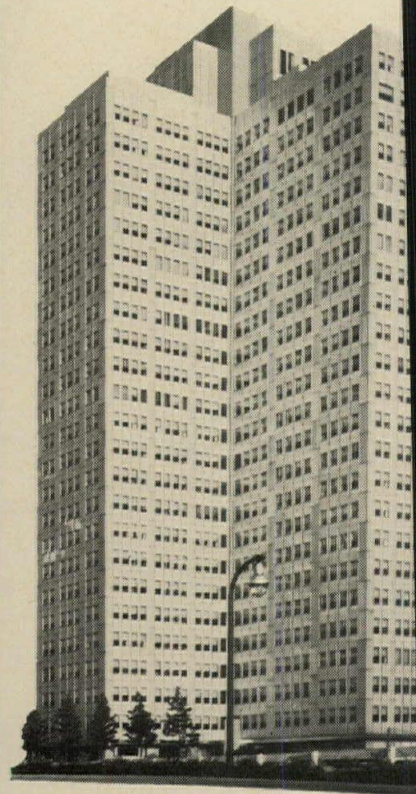
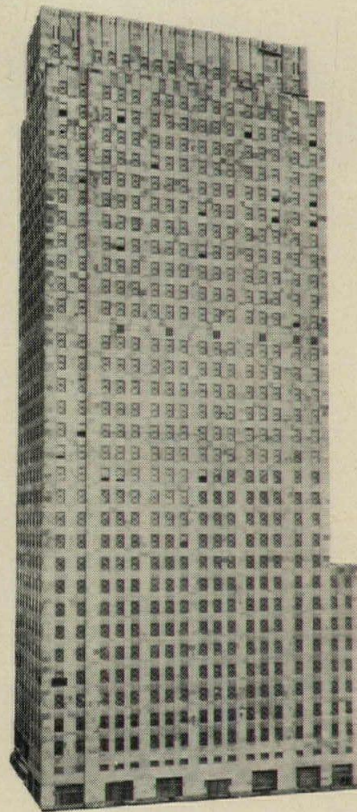
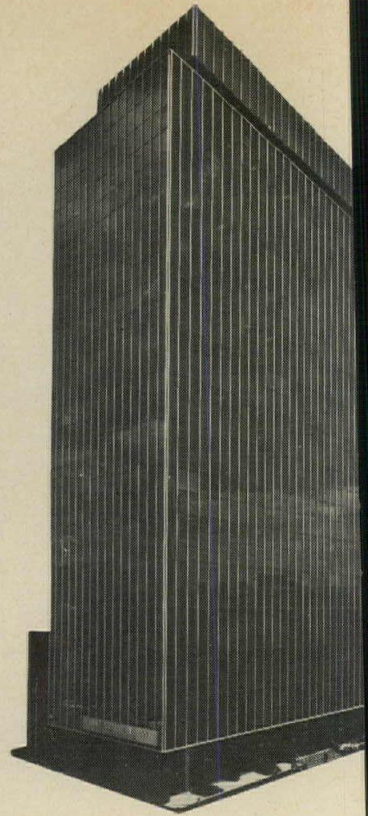
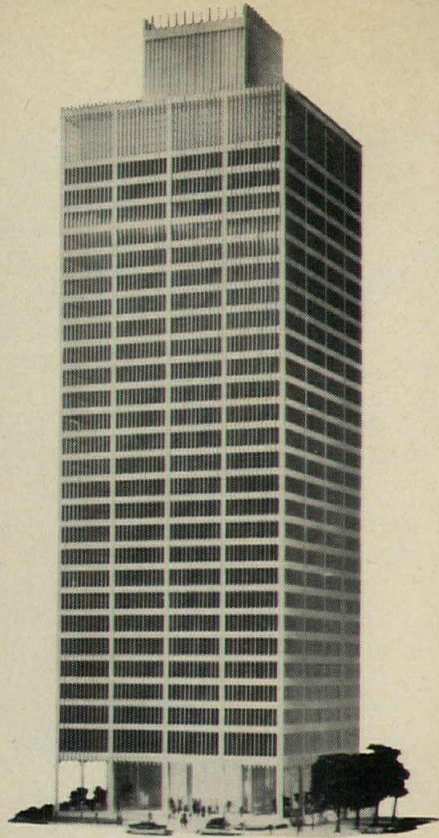
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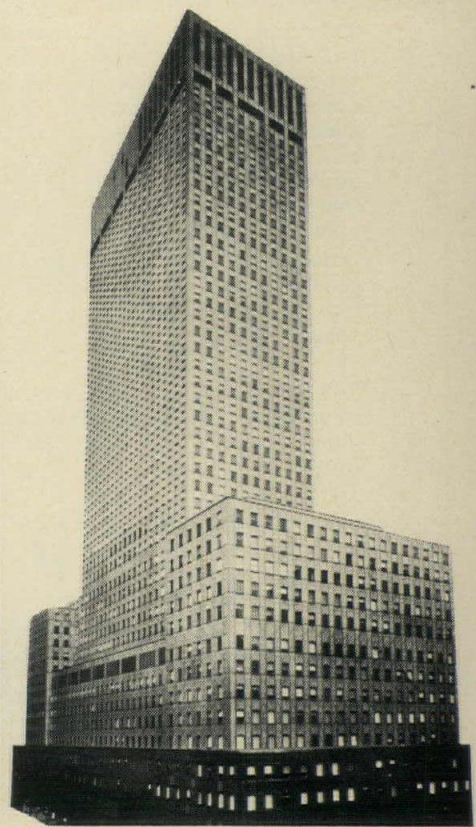
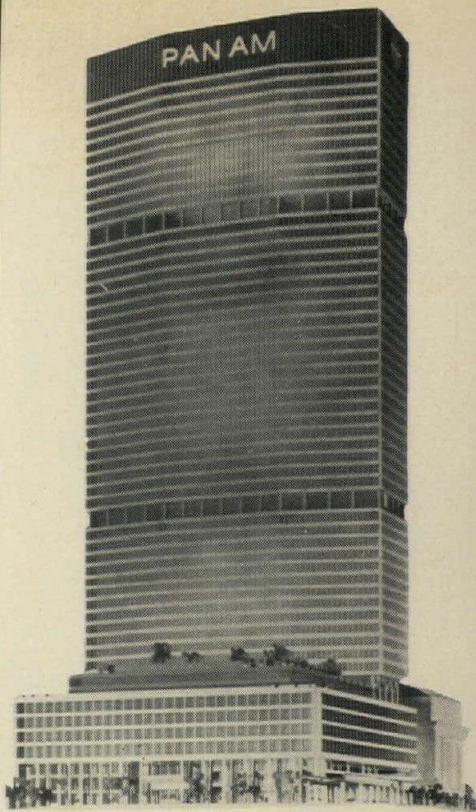
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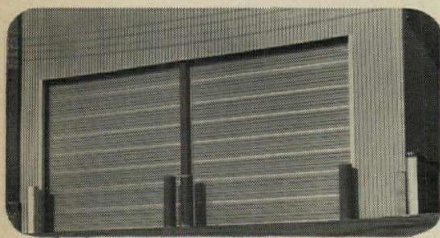
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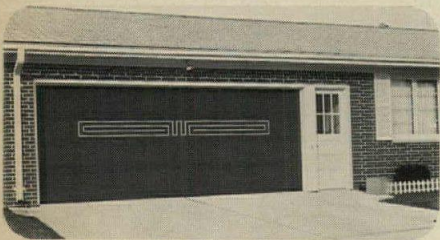
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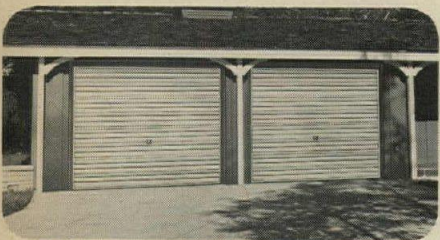
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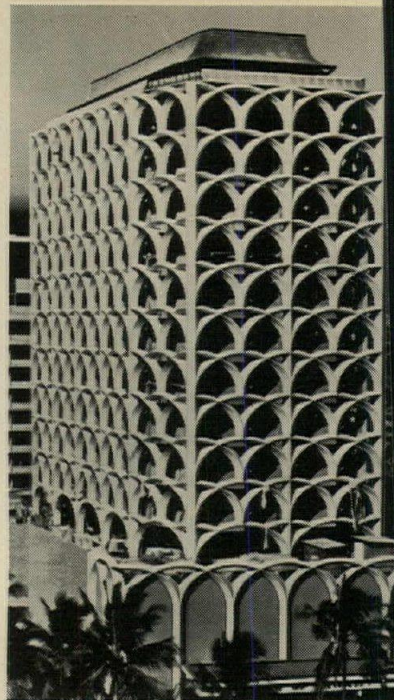
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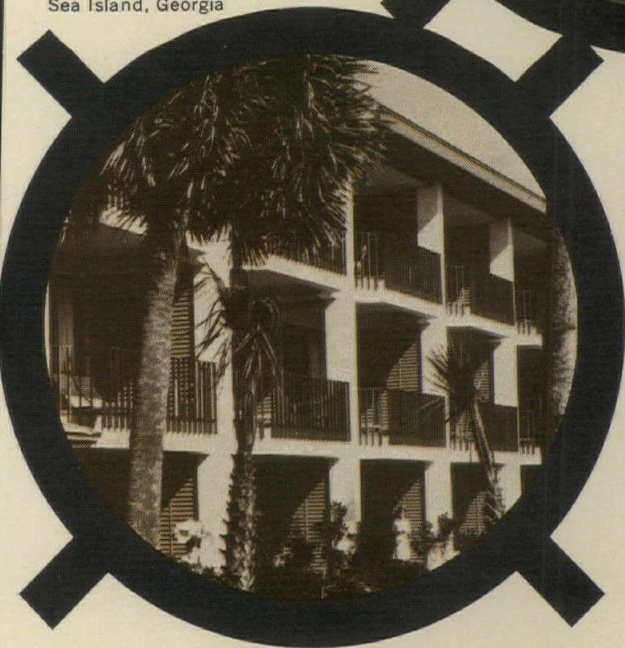
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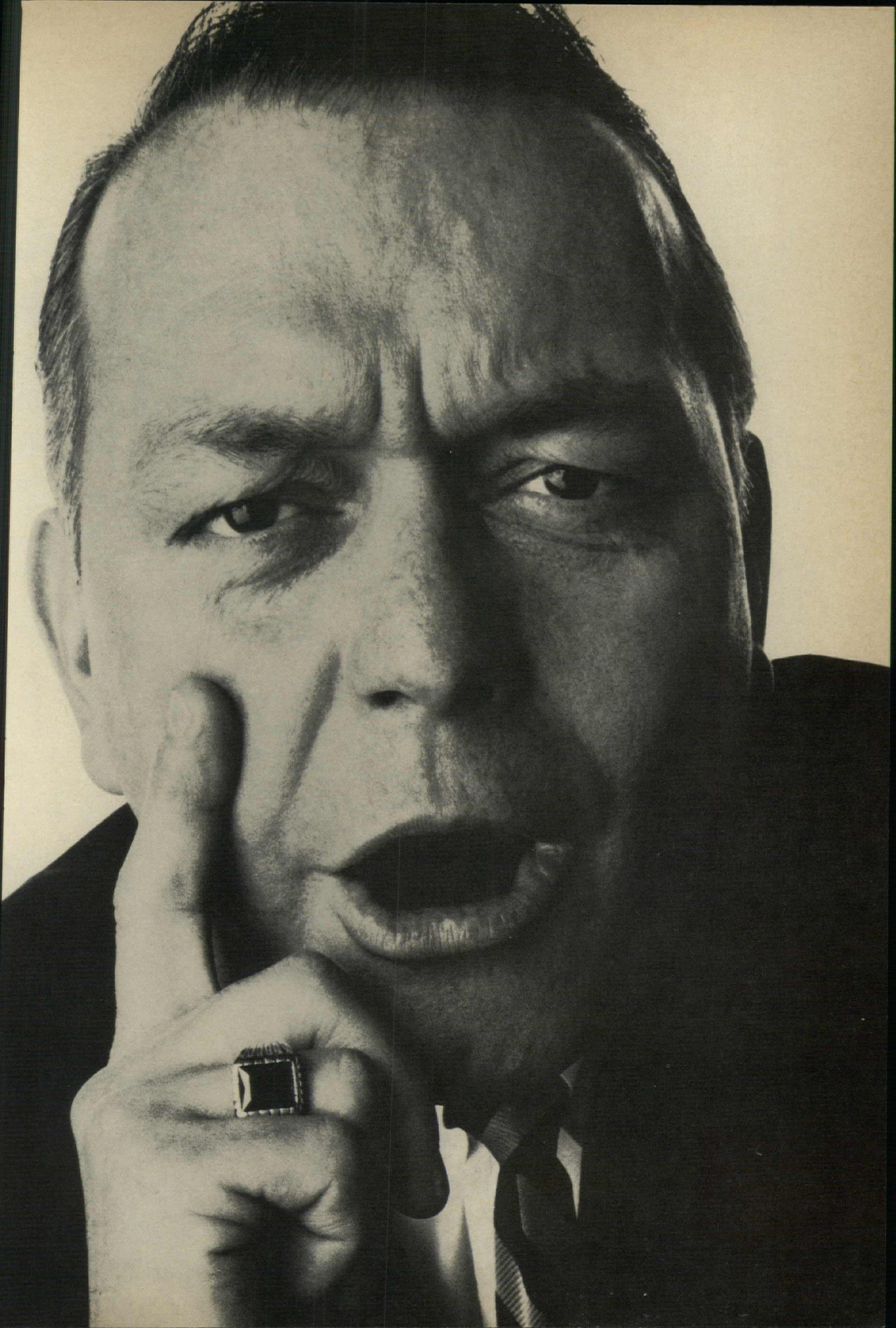
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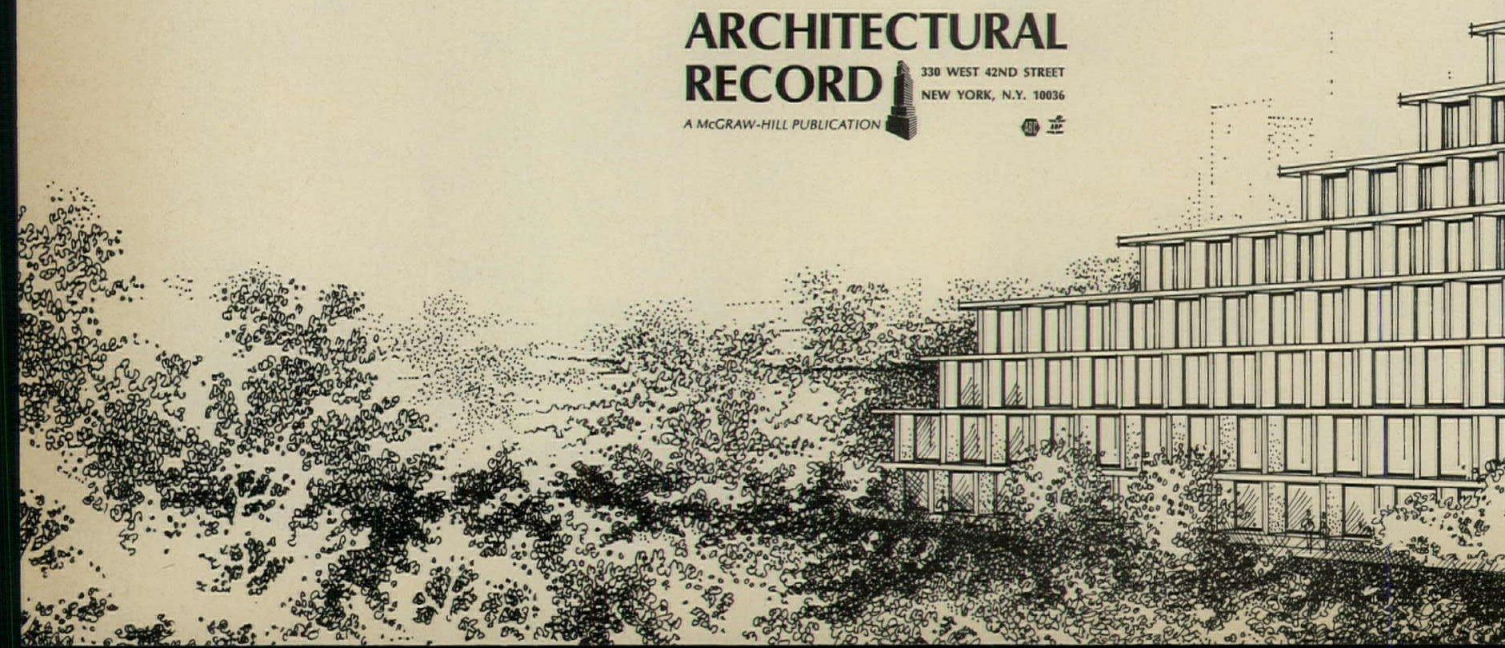
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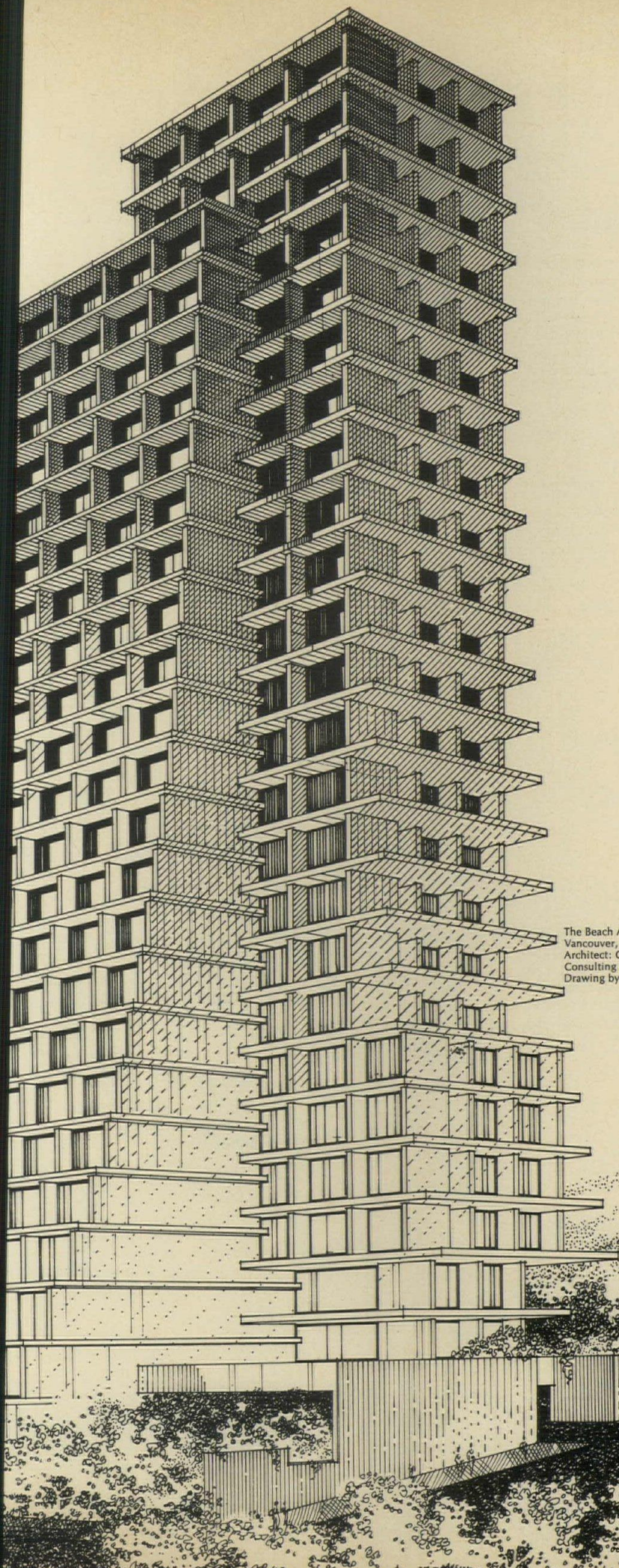
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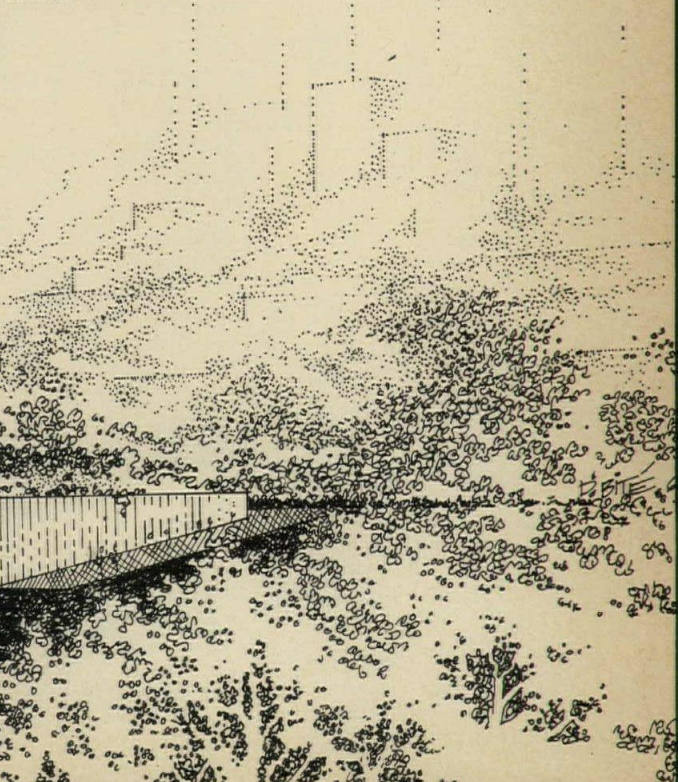
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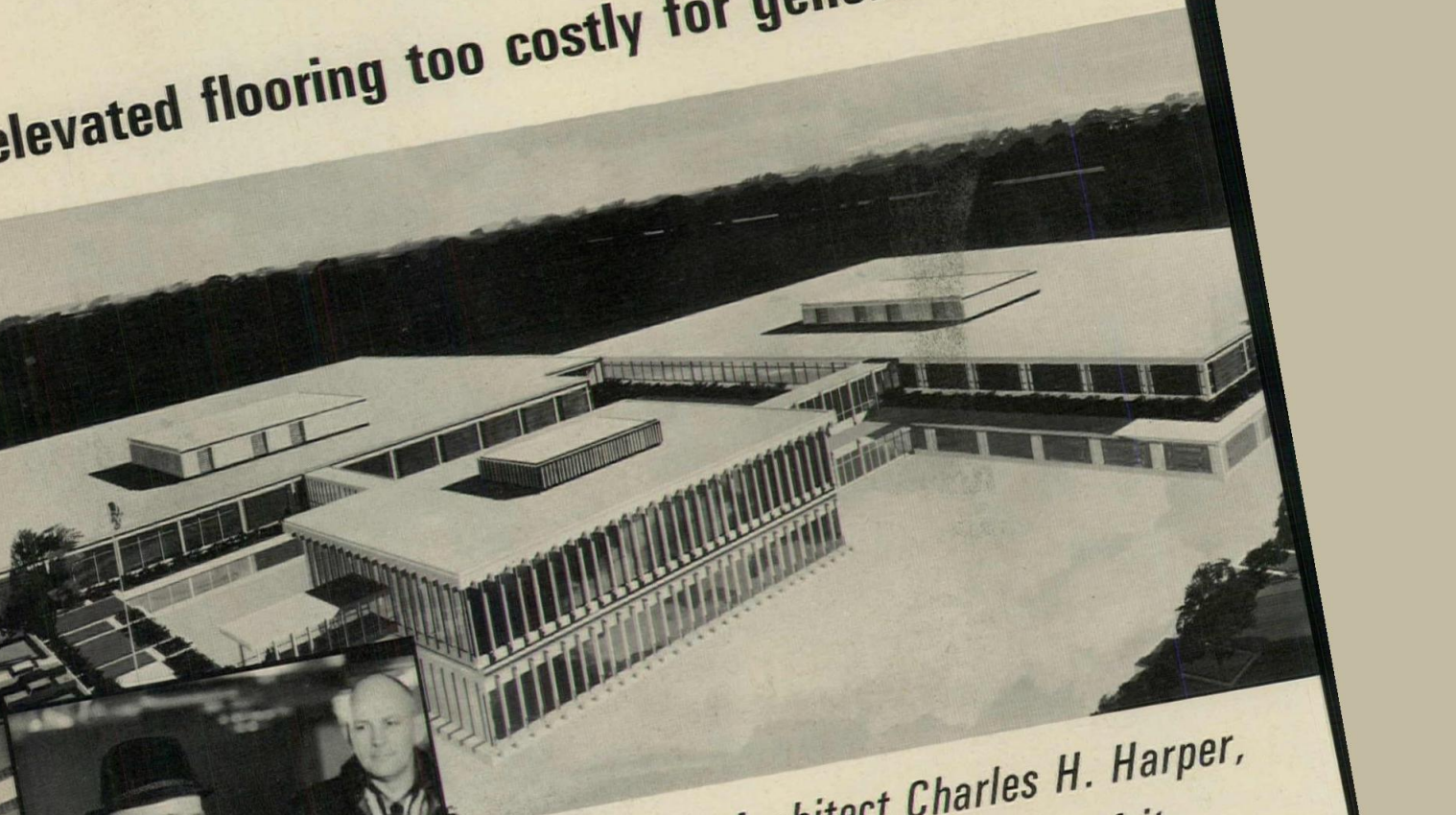
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