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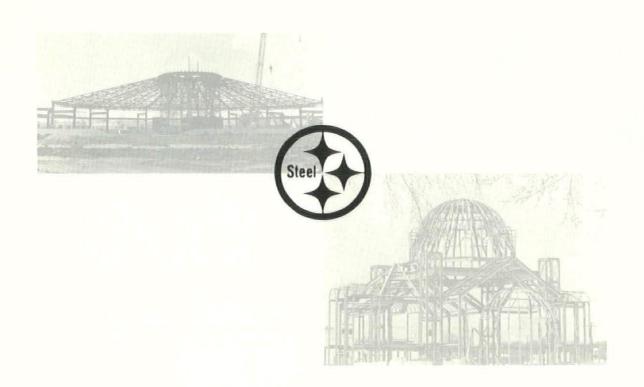
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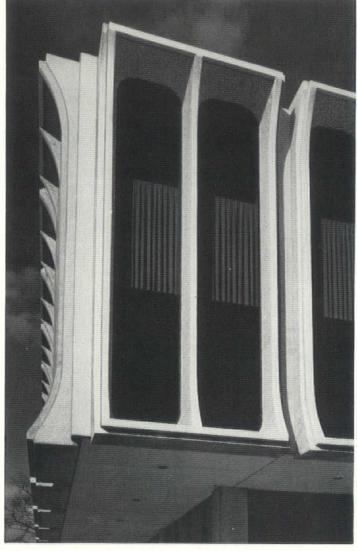
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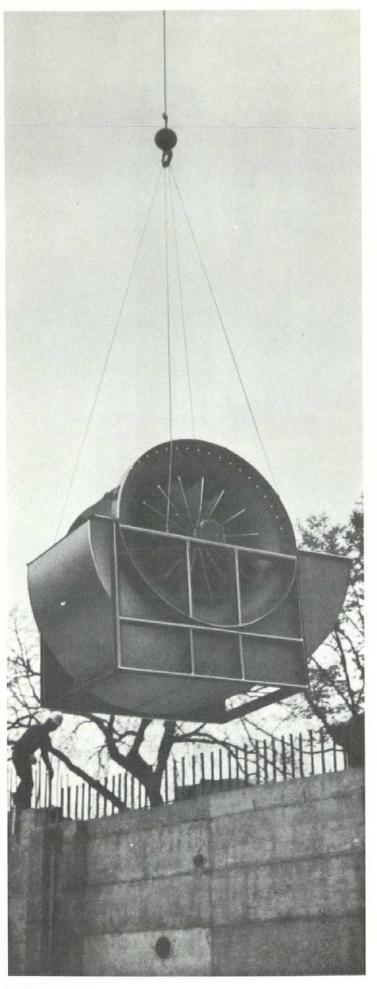
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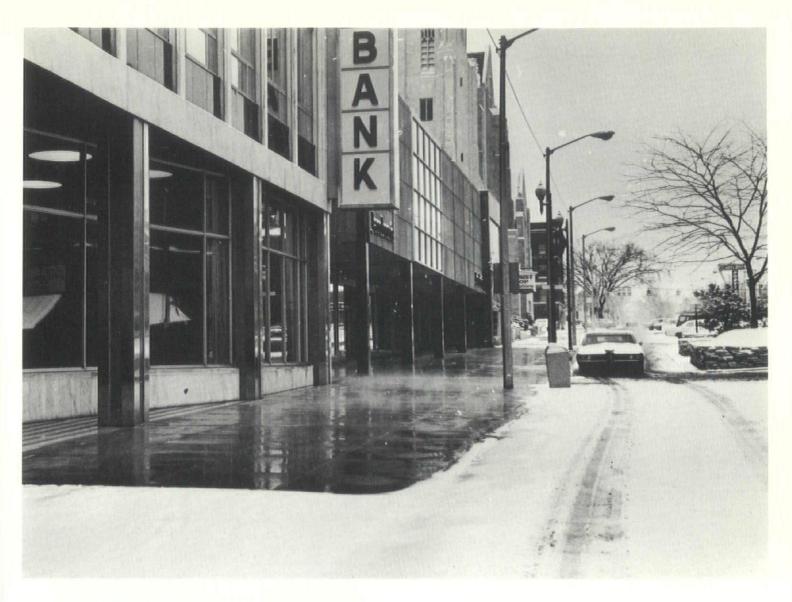
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#### **EDITORIAL**

By Grady Clay, Consulting Editor Louisville, Ky., Editor, "Landscape Architecture" Quarterly, 1500 Bardstown Road, Louisville, Ky.

Here is where five acres do the work of one, where husband does the work of five servants, saplings sprout where forests once stood, and zoners have replaced Indians as the frontiersmen's enemy. Here is where most of the next 100 million Americans will live. In suburbia.

The crucial zone of confrontation between most Americans and their physical environment is now, and will continue to be, suburban. Out of the 66 million people who will be added to the U.S. population by 1985, some 88 per cent of it will locate right here. Some of this growth should be diverted to new towns, but even there are confrontation between men and newly overturned landscapes in new towns will be remarkable similar to what has happened in old suburbia, unless a drastic change in the so-called urbanization process should take place.

One can dismiss the potential for new housing sites offered by the inner cities. These are limited by lack of space and by high costs. One can be titillated by discoveries of so-called new building sites in old cities-air rights over streets, docks, tracks, and canals. But one does not have to be conned into believing that air rights can house the next 100 million people. One may also be diverted by megastructural innovations, but let us not be tricked into thinking that megastructuring Tokyo Bay or Boston Harbor is more than a strictly local and fantastically expensive building venture. Technical solutions, yes. Universal applica-

The thing about high-density building is that it has so bemused the building-architectural establishment that we are in some danger of getting overbuilt in all the wrong places, at densities higher than ever before. The thing about low density is that low density has become an object of scorn for urban cities, high-dudgeon specialists who look upon the low-density way of life only to reach for an expletive.

This is not my purpose. I have spent a fair amount of time exploring what actually goes on among low-density people or suburbanites in their encounters with their new environment. To take a good look before taking a strong stand may be productive.

To begin with, it seems clear that "suburban development" is the Number 1 growth industry of the next decade or longer. We need, although we may not get, some 26 million new dwellings in ten years and even if a sizeable proportion of these new dwellings should, by legerdemight-andmain, be built in and upon the edges of present towns, cities and megalopoli. ("Edge" we all understand to be a loose term covering the commuter ranges which might more properly be called zones.)

What we are thus about to witness is a stepping-up in the familiar conversion of farmers' or speculators' territory into urban uses, with all that this implies. Land worth \$450 per acre for raising food or fiber crops converts to \$10,000 or \$15,000 per acre value for garden apartments or other urban embellishments. As usual the conversion is a sloppy process, especially for neighbors.

And of course with it go all the trappings, wrappings and lacunae: miles of pipes, sewers, wires and roads—all those umbilical cords that connect outmigrant employees to outmigrated employers (or vice versa); to all those activities and people whose centers of gravity move slowly outward away from the old central cities.

This new frontier is the place where

cities can and do dump their surpluses of population, energy, money and wastes. This is where city planners find their fattest fees, so that in the U.S. today city planning consists of largely of disposing of city surpluses in their most pressing and dramatic forms; traffic jams, consumer pressure for spending-spaces, and applications for changing agricultural to multifamily or commercial zoning. Only a rich nation can produce a profession so devoted to surplus disposal, which is one of the reasons U.S. city planners are in such demand among developing (i.e. un-rich) nations which hope thus to inherit by contract the surplus riches that planners are accustomed to deal with.

So much for description, into which may have crept occasional prejudices and preachments. So as to come further to grips with the future of this suburban environment, we ought to take a brief look at attitudes which have produced it.

As one raised in the Christian tradition (Southern Methodist aberration) I am now as an adult shocked to discove how much justification Christian theology offers to those who despoil, and outrage their physical environment.

They do so safely backed up by Genesis 1/27 quoting God as saying that man was put upon the earth "to have dominion . . . over all the earth and every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

In other words, God's purpose is served by man's dominion, no holds barred, no questions asked. I must confess that it now offends me deeply, having seen many of its results, to be told that it is one's Christian duty to foul the air, pollute the waters, and strip every suburban woodland of its protective covering; to bestink our streams and befoul our marshes. Should it not disturb every Christian to discover that developers and other pollutionists who stick to the letter of

state laws, but violate nature's laws, can expect their reward in Heaven, as well as on earth?

Another attitude which subverts the suburban environment derives from our "fill'er-up" tradition. This grows out of our 18th and 19th-century experience of westward expansion into so-called "empty territory." That was a time when patriotic fervor found its essence and justification in cutting down forests, leveling fields, draining swamps, damming rivers, stretching out roads, and filling prairies with houses, all of them activities which we have sanctified as part of the Great Pioneer Tradition. The "New York Times" real estate ads still advertise "colonies" on Long Island.

Now necessary for us all is the great wrench of learning where "Not" to build; and "How" not to build. This process began with the first National Parks, National Forests, and legally protected wildernesses, and with the growing body of conservation law which thus far has survived attack.

Now facing us is the task of developing practices and institutions that will actually guarantee non-building in specific locations, and can prevent building and development in entire regions. Not of course for prevention's sake, but because non-building must be a part of the organizing pattern of growth in the new suburbia.

Foremost among these new practices and institutions is the "suburban conservation strategy." This is a fat term for a meaty idea—mainly that it "Is" possible to work our ways to protect the urbanizing frontier and its residents from our worst practices of the past. I propose these elements not so much as an all-inclusive shopping list, but as an outline for the variety of approaches which I consider to be essential.

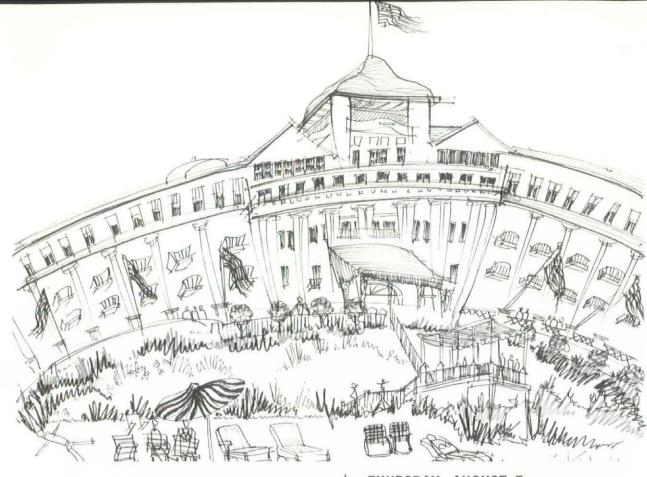
As a minimum such a strategy ought to contain these elements: (I) "A strategy of ecosystem development." Following principles outlined by Eugene

P. Odum, every suburban landscape should combine both "productive" and "protective" elements in the right proportion. "Productive" elements are exploitive of nature's and man's processes; they include the vast, one-crop landscape that produce high volumes of corn, or yellow pine trees, or singlefamily houses, but little to nothing else. On the other hand, "protective" elements include thickly complex forests of many species of trees, shrubs and ground cover, with a high ratio of animal and bird life, with selective cutting, hunting, and access by man. Such a forest would be less efficient in dollar crop production than the cornfield or all-pine forest but would contribute valuable amenities to its suburban neighbors - silence, distance, coolness, recreation and firewood.

(2) "Creative disposal of urban surpluses." Prof. Louis T. Kardos of Pennsylvania State University has shown during the past six years how treated urban sewage may be spread safely and beneficially through forests and over field crops, increasing crop growth and replenishing underground usable water supplies with no harmful effects. He calls it the "living landscape filter," in which natural biological processes break down any chemical and other traces of human use, following secondary treatment, as the water is re-cycled through nature's pores. This opens up a whole range of alternate uses for suburban fields and forests, and indicates a remarkable compatability possible between housing developments and the field-forest environment.

In 1965 most Americans generated 4.5 pounds of refuse per day. By 1980 is will reach some 5.5 pounds, over a ton of refuse per capita per year. This has to go someplace, and these places are harder to find in the suburbs. One new direction is the use of

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August 7, 8, 9, 1969



Jackson Hallett, AIA

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 7

#### Adult Activities

9:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. Registration, Main Lobby

12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Main Dining Room

2:00 P.M. MSA Board Meeting

6:00 P.M. Reception, Porch or Club

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8:00 P.M. "Fun with Deano", Conference

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#### Youth Activities

12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Main Dining Room

6:00 P.M. Coke Party, Lower Lobby East, Hosts: Bergsmas &

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7:00 P.M. Dinner, Main Dining Room

8:00 P.M. "Fun with Deano", Conference Mixer, Club Room, Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports



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#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

#### Adult Activities

9:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. Registration

10:00 A.M. MSA Business Meeting, Club Room, Open to all MSA Members, Jackson B. Hallett, AIA, President Presiding

10:30 A.M. Ladies Coffee Hour, West End of Lobby, Hostess: Lynda Bergsma

12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Main Dining Room 2:00 P.M. Golf Tournament, (First good day, tabulate early) Hosts: Frank North & Victor Specht

6:00 P.M. President's Reception Club Room, Sponsored by: Portland Cement Association

7:00 P.M. Buffet Dinner, Terrace & Casino Room

8:00 P.M. Interlochen Talent Casino Room

8:30 P.M.

9:00 P.M. Intermission

9:00 P.M. "Cinemaraces", Casino Room, Host: Ralph Bergsma

11:00 P.M. Dancing, Terrace Room

#### Youth Activities

10:00 A.M. "Ice Breaker", Lower Lobby, Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports

12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Main Dining Room

2:00 P.M.

4:00 P.M. Swimming and Games Pool and Lawn, Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports

6:00 P.M. Coke Party Lower Lobby East, Hosts Bergsmas & Davenports

6:45 P.M. Buffet Dinner, Terrace & Casino Room

8:00 P.M. Games Party, Lower Lobby East, Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

#### Adult Activities

9:00 A.M.

Noon Registration, Main Lobby 12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Main Dining Room

3:30 P.M. Mother-Daughter Tea, Governor's Residence

6:00 P.M. Reception, Porch or Club Room Sponsored by: Great Lakes Fabricators & Erectors. I. Gardner Martin, Host

7:30 P.M. Annual Mid-Summer Conference Banquet, Casino Room

8:30 P.M. Program: Steel Awards Guest Speaker: Dr. Karl Haas, President, Interlochen Center for the Arts-Title: "A Change of Pace and the Pace of Change" Announcement of Golf Prizes by: Frank North & Victor Specht

11:00 P.M. Dancing, Terrace Room

#### Youth Activities

10:00 A.M.

Noon Bike Hike, Meet in Lower Lobby, Tour Guides: Bergsmas & Davenports

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4:00 P.M. Swimming and Games, Pool and Lawn, Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports

6:00 P.M. Coke Party, Lower Lobby East Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports

7:00 P.M. Youth Dinner, Marine Room Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenport

8:00 P.M. Youth Dance, Lower Lobby East Hosts: Bergsmas & Davenports BAND: "The Steinsmen"

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Conference room.

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Incorporated in 1965, the firm has grown steadily into a core group of more than 20 professionals handling a wide variety of large and small scale environmental design projects. Though highly oriented to regional and metropolitan planning, the firm feels particularly responsible to high quality implementation of its broad-stroke planning concepts. Thus it has a high percentage of actual building accomplishments in its planning work.

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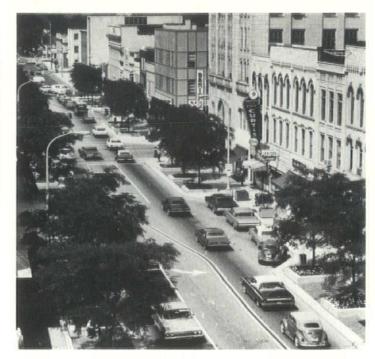
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#### ANN ARBOR PROMENADE

Planned in accordance with the CBD's thoroughfare and parking study as the initial phase of a potential pedestrian mall, the Promenade permits vehicular traffic and some onstreet parking to continue but enhances the dimension and character of pedestrian environment on the City's main shopping street. The removal of parking at the ends of blocks made possible the introduction of trees, benches, special paving and other street furniture to create a pedestrian scale and achieve a unified streetscape in an area of varied building facades. Implementation was accomplished by a combination of City funds, the creation of a special assessment district, and earnings from the Elizabeth Dean Fund willed to the City for the conservation of its landscape character.





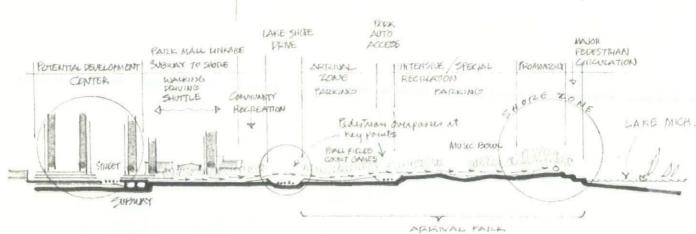
#### BIRMINGHAM URBAN DESIGN

Within the context of the comprehensive plan for the City of Birmingham, Michigan, a detailed guideline plan was prepared for the future physical development of the central area. Primary emphasis was placed on the appropriate design refinement that would preserve and strengthen Birmingham's unique environmental characteristics. The areas of refinement include entrance corridors, streetscape, business and public signs, lighting, parking and preservation of open space. Using these as guidelines, construction plans have since been prepared for carefully selected pilot projects.

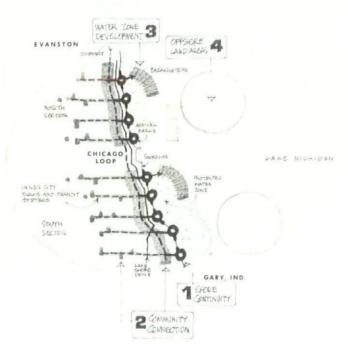
#### CENTRAL PLAZA CANTON, OHIO

One of the earlier of current examples of private investment renewal in a public right-of-way, this project marked the rebirth of the old Public Square in the heart of downtown and is an example of how a simple concept, carefully matched to a limited budget, can change the face of an automobile-dominated business district. It involved related traffic and land use planning, detailed urban design, cost analysis, public hearings, and coordination of related architectural and site engineering needs. Features were two small buildings (art display/information center and snack shop), and outdoor cafe-type plaza convertible to ice skating, water fountains, and an art display plaza. (Tarapata/MacMahon & Associates, Architects).





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LAKEFRONT DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT

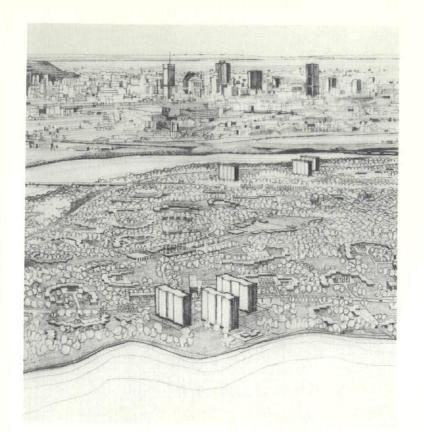
#### CHICAGO LAKEFRONT STUDY

Undertaken as a new evaluation of Chicago's 26 mile waterfront, this study searched for ways of relating its resources more significantly with people living throughout all of the Chicago region. Study progress has focused upon expression of a series of basic goals in terms of design principles. Some features of the emerging plan are more purposeful contrasts between urban and pastoral recreation, more direct relationship with Chicago's future transportation patterns in the form of major "arrival parks," easier and safer pedestrian access from local neighborhoods, larger areas of protected waters, and meaningful personal contact from more deeply within the bordering communities.

#### MILWAUKEE LAKEFRONT DEVELOPMENT

This study focused on how expansion of the War Memorial Center functions could best fit the character of the existing lakefront park system. Design concepts were developed for a wide range of outdoor activities, and implementation drawings have been prepared for pedestrian connections across a new freeway into the downtown shopping core and increases in automobile approach and parking facilities.







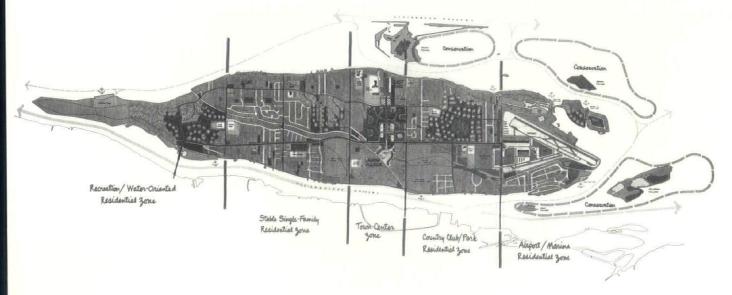
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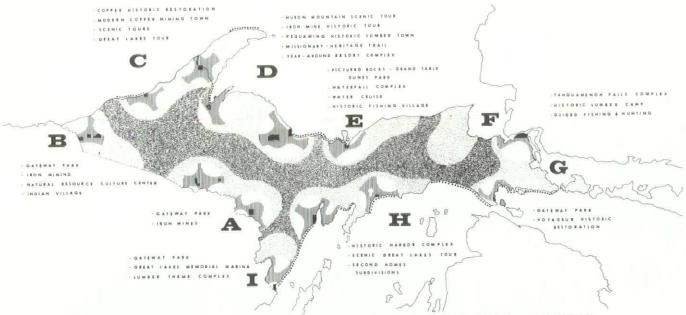
Rich in Canadian history and strategic in its location in the St. Lawrence River adjacent to Montreal, this 700 acre island is now being developed as a complete community of up to 15,000 residential units featuring clusters of high rise apartments among various patterns of townhouses and parks. Professional services have included the development of the overall town concept, detailed neighborhood plans, site planning review of all building projects and certain specific design and supervision tasks.

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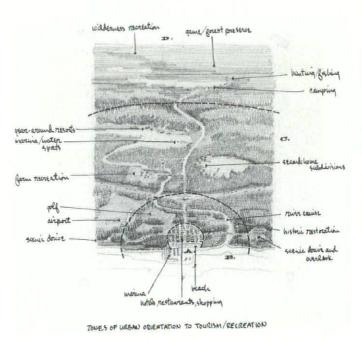
Federally-aided long range planning is being completed for all development elements of an island community in Downriver Metropolitan Detroit. Emphasis was given to preservation of the unique wooded residential character and relationship to water.







CONCEPT ... RECREATION TOURISM STUDY UPPER PENINSULA MICHIGAN

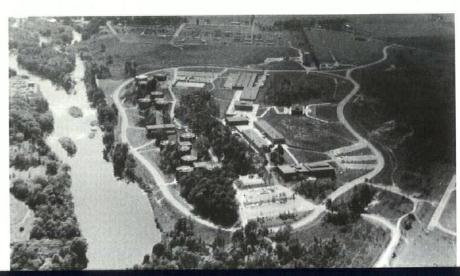


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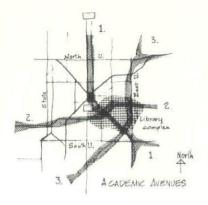
This regional planning study was undertaken to help determine appropriate guidelines for recreation and tourism development in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Combining the historic patterns of development and non-development in the Peninsula with the logic of clustering development about community "service centers," the guidelines indicate the potential for significant development without destruction of the natural landscape. It is this environment that characterizes for the tourist the remoteness of the region that makes it inviting to him.

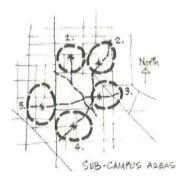
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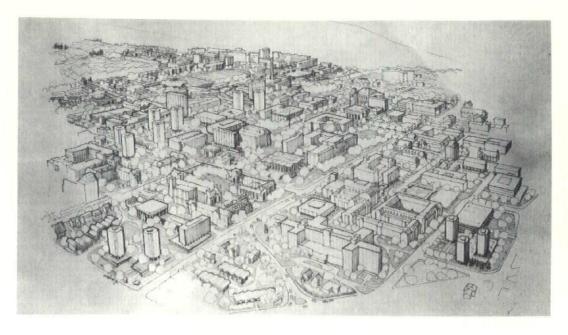
Beginning with a wooded hillside sloping to a river at its base, this 382 acre campus was planned and developed over a period of six years. To minimize the extent of earthwork and corresponding disturbance of the natural qualities of the site, a shelf of land was cut along the slope to receive all of the academic buildings along the pedestrian "academic avenue." Dormitories and dining area are placed along the lower portion of the slope to take advantage of the river edge environment. (Carson, Lundin and Shaw, Architects.)



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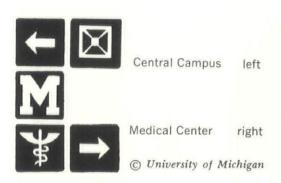
#### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN CENTRAL CAMPUS STUDY

Following studies of the North Campus (1960) and Medical Center, the Central Campus study of 1963 summarized many of the basic campus development principles essential to the orderly long range physical growth of complex academic communities. The study focused upon the accommodation of an indeterminant degree of growth and change with an increased measure of order, efficiency and beauty. Among the features of the Plan were identification of centers of sub-campus areas and establishment of a major pedestrian circulation framework suggesting the distribution of special academic uses along it.

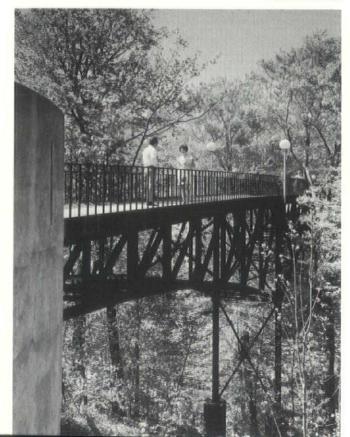
It is satisfying to note that the basic patterns suggested in the study have proved appropriate to many detailed buildings and campus developments. One of the more interesting implementation projects has been a comprehensive system of signs for the University ranging from expressway directions to individual building identification.

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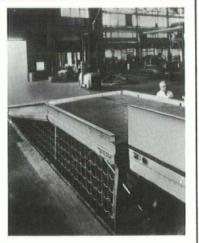
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#### NEWS

#### DeVries Elected President of MSPO

Bernard J. DeVries, FAIA, Architect of Muskegon, Michigan was elected president of the Michigan Society of Planning Officials at its 25th Annual Conference in Lansing, Michigan.



DeVries is president of DeVries Associates, Inc. Architects and Engineer and well known in Michigan for honors received and for the many boards and commissions he has served as a member.

A Fellow of the American Institute of Architects and the recipient of the Gold Medal of the Michigan Society of Architects—two of the highest honors an Architect can receive, DeVries has been chairman of his City Planning Commission for many years. He received the Distinguished Service Award of the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.

In 1966 Governor Romney appointed him to a six year term on the State of Michigan, Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors.

DeVries is a founder of the Michigan Society of Planning Officials in 1943 and it now has 1200 members. Other officers elected were Robert Carey, President of Thompson-Brown Co., Vice President. Bruce Brown, Planning Director, Midland, Michigan, Secretary, Treasurer.

The Michigan Society of Planning Officials is a service organization representing the professional planner and lay members of planning commissions in planning matters at the State level.

#### AKA Adds Three Vice Presidents

The Board of Directors of Albert Kahn Associates, Inc., has elected three new vice presidents, announced by Sol King, FAIA, president of the firm. The three are: Louis Menk, FAIA, Danield H. Shahan, PE, and Samual D. Popkin, AIA.

Menk is treasurer of the firm and a newly elected member of the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects; Shahan is corporate secretary of AKA, also director of civil and structural engineering; and Popkin is an administrator in the firm's architectural department. All three are members of the AKA Board of Directors.

#### AUA Election of Officers

Bruce Jenson, architect for the University of Utah, has been elected president of the Association of University Architects for the current year.

Other new officers are Van Dorn Hooker, the University of New Mexico, vice president; and Howard Hakken, University of Michigan, secretary-treasurer. Harry Harmon, assistant vice chancellor of the California State Colleges, is past president and, with the three officers, a director of AUA.

The association elected officers at its annual conference, held at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Next year's conference will deal with the ways in which a university's geographical relationship to its community influences its architecture and planning. It will bring together representatives of urban universities which are hardly distinct from the city around them, universities which serve as the centers of their communities, universities isolated from their communities, and other typical schools. The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Wayne State and Eastern Michigan universities will join as hosts for the next year's meeting at Ann Arbor.

AUA founded 14 years ago, currently has 45 members, each one being the chief architect for his college or university. Among the association's purposes are the more effective planning of the total physical environment for institutions of higher education and the improvement of design and construction standards of university buildings.

#### Pursifull Appointed to BRI Committee

Ross W. Pursifull, AIA, has been appointed a member of the Operating Committee of The Building Research Institute.

The Building Research Institute is

a component of the Building Research Advisory Board of the Division of Engineering, National Research Council. The National Research Council was organized by the National Academy of Sciences in 1916 in order to provide for a broader participation by American scientists and engineers in the work of the Academy. The Academy was chartered by Congress in 1893 as a private organization with a responsibility for advising the Federal Government in science and technology.

Pursifull, with SH&G, has previously served as Chairman of BRI's Technical Committee on Office Practice and Procedure for the past several years and has contributed a wide variety of technical papers to the Institute and is a nationally recognized authority on building technology.

#### Jude T. Fusco Associates Announce New Partner

Gunnar Ejups, AIA, has been elected vice president and secretary of the architectural firm of Jude T. Fusco Associates, Inc.



Before joining the firm in 1967, Ejups had been with Minoru Yamasaki Associates, and with O'Dell, Hewlett and Luckenbach. He holds a Master of Science degree from MSU, is a member of the Detroit Chapter, AIA, and the Construction Specifications Institute.

The firm is handling a variety of project types: office buildings, churches and church schools, apartments, nursing homes, industrial buildings, motels, high rise and medium rise public housing structures. Ejups is currently in charge of Independence Hall, a concrete frame 20 story apartment building for the elderly near downtown Detroit, presently under construction.

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Ejups is serving as advisor in the high school student architectural design competition program.

Michigan Architectural Technology Council Meets

The 1969 Annual Meeting of the Michigan Architectural Technology Council brought representatives from a score of Michigan colleges and Michigan AIA Chapters to Kellogg Center in East Lansing, for a one-day conference. This year's meeting was focused on the areas of technical drafting and construction materials in the two-year Architectural Technology curriculum.

Sessions featuring reports on current AIA activities in technician training, and panel discussions oriented to today's drafting needs in the architectural field; analysis and discussion of construction materials education, and a presentation-demonstration of possible applications of computer-time-sharing in the technician program.

The council initiated in the Fall of 1967, was organized to assist and promote the development of architectural technician education in Michigan, and draws its membership from both education and professional architectural practice.

#### DeVriese Heads CSI

Robert H. DeVriese, Chief of Specifications for the architectural firm of Yamasaki & Associates, was elevated to the presidency of the Detroit Chapter, Construction Specifications Institute.

Others serving with DeVriese will be: O. R. Belluci, First Vice President; B. B. Brown, Second Vice President; R. D. Adair, Secretary; G. D. Shreve, Treasurer. Directors for 1969-70 term will be: A. R. Bliven, G. L. McQuade, W. M. Brenan. Directors serving for the 1969-71 term are: F. P. DeConti, G. M. Gatchell and R. L. Petterson.

The institute is international in scope, covering 11,000 members in 110 chapters. The society, headquartered in Washington, D. C. is composed of architects, specification writers, engineers, suppliers and others interested in standardization of specifications in construction.

#### Noted in AR

Walter F. Wagner, Jr., Editor of Architectural Record, made some interesting comments on the February Bulletin Editorial in the May issue of AR. Heading "Should home town boys make good by law . ."

The same issue carried a page on the 1969 MSA Honor Award Winners. AIA Publishes Report on Architectural Programming

"Emerging Techniques—2—Architectural Programming," a continuing study by The American Institute of Architects' Committee on Research for Architecture, has just been published by the AIA. It is a collection of programming techniques for the use of all practitioners who are continually trying to improve the quality of their services.

Written by Benjamin H. Evans, AIA, director of Education and Research Programs at the Institute, 1967-68, and C. Herbert Wheler, Jr., AIA, associate professor, Department of Architectural Engineering, the Pennsylvania State University, the 70-page, illustrated book details elements of programming, values, programmers, significant areas of concern, and techniques of practice, and provides actual case studies.

Its predecessor, "Emerging Techniques of Architectural Practice," published in April, 1966, was prepared by the Department of Architectural Engineering at the Pennsylvania State University through a grant from the AIA.

Copies of the new book, "... Architectural Programming" (Doc.PR102), may be purchased from the Headquarters of the MSA, 28 W. Adams, Detroit, Michigan 48226 (Phone: 313-965-4100).

Price per copy \$2.00 to members and \$5.00 to non members. Plus postage and handling charges.

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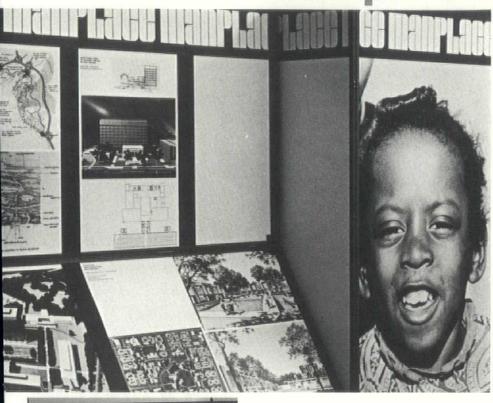


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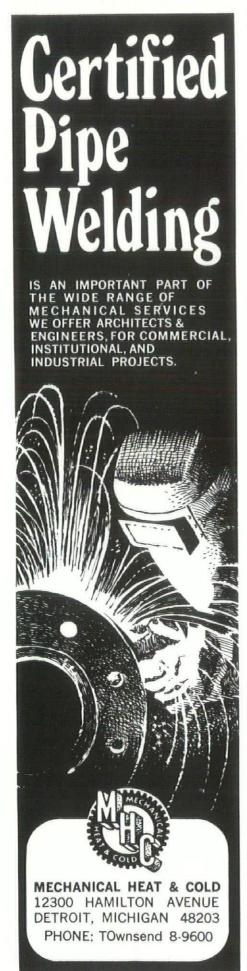
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"transfer stations," such as are proposed outside Cincinnati by the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission. These will be isolated points of rendezvous for waste-haulers where wastes will be sorted, sifted, magnetized, and then packaged for transferral to places of sale or re-use.

(3) "Strengthening the hands of longterm landowners." This proposal of course runs counter to our tradition of treating land as a quick-buck commodity. It suggests that those who manage land for longterm multiple benefits should be rewarded, rather than those who seek quick turnover and unearned increment. Thus, landowners who allow the public access to footpaths, farm lanes and stream edges should be rewarded by reduced property taxes. Others who deed to the State hunting and fishing rights should be compensated by the price paid for those rights.

Our present laws against long-term ownership through inheritance of land within one family are products of an ancient antagonism against British royalty; they have little meaning today and should be reconsidered. We need new means of encouraging individual landowners to make longterm investments in conserving their landscape.

Peter Farb reports that a staff survey by the Harvard Forest of central Massachusetts landowners sought to find out why people bought and owned their lands. One surprising result: the owners questioned, instead of just returning the questionaire, offered to 'give" Harvard thousands of acres of land, if the land would be kept in forest. A huge reservoir of such potential gifts exists all over the U.S. and awaits only the proper guarantees of environmental protection.

The purpose in strengthening longterm ownership is to maintain a natural resource-using landscape, as well as a working farm landscape "as a part of the new suburbia." In some areas, such as central New Jersey, this could involve State purchase of development rights to large farming regions so as to maintain a viable agricultural economy. Here a unit of some 40,000 acres in working farms may be the minimum to be economically workable-that is, to support the economic number of truckers, haulers, implement dealers, fertilizer suppliers, etc. to make such a region

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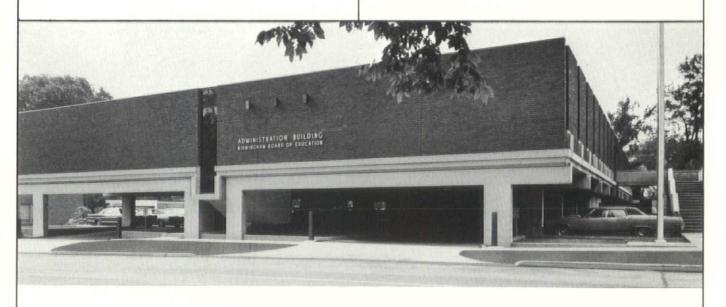
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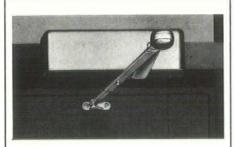
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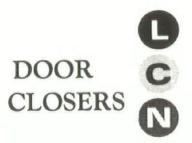


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14555 WYOMING AVE. DETROIT 38, MICHIGAN 933-9366 economically competitive. As in California, zoning is proving inadequate to "protect" farmland against housing development, and other methods must now be introduced to maintain the complex mixed farming-suburban environment.

(4) "Strengthen the landscape-orientated professions." So far, the whole process of land development has been too long dominated by speculators, contractors and large public agencies. It needs a continuing infusion of professional expertise and principles.

The closest thing we have to a "profession of land development" is the profession of landscape architecture, one of the fine arts with historic roots in European garden architecture, and deep connections with town planning, ecology, resource management and agriculture. Its distinguishing trait for a century has been its practitioners' concern for the public welfare. This was most clearly shown in the career of Frederick Law Olmsted whose first plan for New Yorks Central Park, the people's park, first separated foot and vehicular traffic nearly a century before Victor Gruen's plan did so for Fort Worth, Texas.

The Olmsted concern for New York's massed poor people, had it been widely shared among architects and builder groups for the past 10 years, might have prevented many of New York City's curent cataclysims.

Landscape architecture is uniquely American as a widely practiced profession. It has no equal in other countries, although in Germany and England landscape architects are increasingly in demand, as these nations confront population and development pressures comparable to those within the U.S.

Just as knowing when "not" to operate is essential to the professional physician, so knowing when and where 'not" to build is vital to the professional care of the suburban environment. Such knowledge is not yet widely shared, and we are still short of institutions and attitudes that will better guide future developments in the suburbs. Sam Zisman, in a recent Bureau of Land Management Bulletin has rightly criticized the attitude prevalent among builders and architects that open space is "merely unused," which implies that its best use is for buildings. This is a historic error to which our pioneer "fill'er-up" tradition has led us.

Historically, the study of locations in the U.S. has been dominated by concepts of economic development, such as where to build the next wharf or port, where to invest in stores, shopping centers or office buildings.

Today it is heartening to see that a new breed of landscape architects, allied with computer-graphics technology, are using far more sophisticated vardsticks for determining "what goes where." Gathered around Professors Walter Izard, Charles Harris and Carl Steinitz at the Harvard Graduate School of Design's Department of Landscape Architecture is a promising group of young landscape architects using advanced computergraphic methads for new-town and suburban development design. They are becoming experts in what-should-not-go-where decisions, as well as those of the more traditional sort.

Among them, Peter Jacobs and Douglas Way have developed a fascinating technique for measuring "the capacity of the landscape to absorb development." Their theory predicts that "the higher the degree of visual density and closure, the more complex the landscape, the more capable that landscape will be of absorbing development visually."

The Jacobs-Way yardstick is an example of the new but still-scattered fund of knowledge and guiding principles of landscape development that is now being built up in the U.S., Britain and Germany. Unfortunately, there still is no research center in the U.S. where such knowledge and new techniques are assembled for easy reference and access.

Looking back on suburban developments to the past 20 years, it is reasonable to conclude that architects have been limited in their participation to those places where their clients happened to own a site. For an architect to look beyond the site to the larger environment has been a quick way to lose client, fee and future jobs.

But it is now coming quite clear that the side-effects from building decisions are complex, and can range all the way from a local flood caused by legal (but damn-foolish) building in a flood-plain, to local droughts caused by traditional (but ruinous) destruction of drainage ways, absorbent marshes and upland woods.

Thus deciding where and where not to build is more than ever a matter in which the wider public has an interest, and in which the profession of landscape architecture ought to be involved. (Whether this turns out to be the "environmental design team" or a huge corporate collection of captive professionals owned by a developer is not the subject of this discussion, though of real significance.) Suburbia, where most of the next 100 million will live, is too important to be left to the non-professionals.

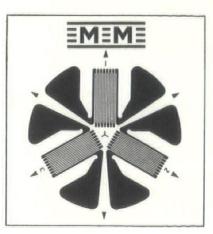
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The government affairs committee, as a permanent committee of the Michigan Society of Architects, concerns itself with liaison with local, state and national government in matters of interest to and affecting the profession of architecture in the State of Michigan. The committee consists of four members of the Society, and frequently uses the services of other MSA members as subcommittees or for research or contact with legislators.

Of prime interest are legislative activities in Lansing, the state capitol, and for the purpose, the Michigan Society of Architects retains the services of a professional legislative advocate who represents the MSA on a daily basis in the state capitol. Matters connected with the Federal Government have been few, and are handled through the Legislative Minute-man program or through personal contact with the Senator or Congressman from the appropriate district. Local matters are usually handled through the government affairs committee of the local chapter.

Matters of immediate concern to the government affairs committee are as follows: 1. Amending State Registration Act for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors. This amendment will upgrade the prerequisites for examination to include baccalaureate degree; make prerequisites more closely align with N.C.A.R.B. requirements; give registration board better defined authority; require sealing drawings by registered persons; change renewal period on certificate to one year; set renewal fee to \$15.00 per year; allow registration board to bring action to enjoin person from practicing or offering to practice. The committee has worked constructively and positively with the legislature in the drafting of this legislation. 2. Amending the state housing code and create a state building code. This effort will amend and up-date a housing code originally passed in 1917 which is totally inadequate, ineffective and almost impossible to administer. This effort is also expected to make mandatory the adoption by each governmental unit one of the several standard national building codes. The code effort is by a commission created by the Governor on which several Architects and MSA members are serving. 3. State Fee Schedules for Architect-Engineer Services. This effort is expected to amend the architectural fee schedule for State financed buildings to a series of percentage curves recognizing the complexity of the building and the increased cost of professional design staff when compared with building costs. This is a joint effort with the State Building Division, Department of the Budget, the Capital Outlay Committee of the Legislature and the Governor's office. 4. Certification of Building Inspectors. Legislation which will establish qualifications of building inspectors in terms of education and experience, and require certified building inspectors for all townships, towns and cities.

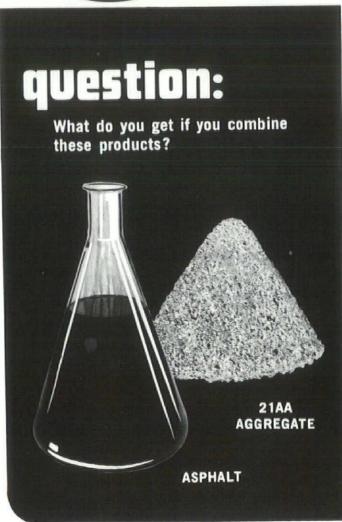
In addition to the services of a legislative advocate, the committee uses the services of a service bureau to report the status of state legislation, and keep abreast of other legislative activities through the press and state publications.

During the past year the Society expressed itself by resolutions to the legislature favoring funding for natural resources preservation, condemning air and water pollution, and opposing erection of a "temporary" building at the state capitol for office extensions.

The largest problem for a government affairs committee is making one's voice heard, and heard by the right persons to be effective. The solution appears to be one of becoming involved in government affairs, both as individual Architects and as the Michigan Society of Architects.

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Ralph R. Calder, AIA

Ralph R. Calder died June 6, 1969 in Hutzel Hospital. He was president and treasurer of the architectural firm of Ralph Calder & Associates Inc., 1600 Mutual Building.

An accomplished musician, he served as organist and choirmaster for the First Baptist Church, First Congregational Church and St. Paul's Cathedral.

A veteran of World War I, he graduated in 1923 from the University of Michigan College of Architecture. In 1924, he studied in England, France and Italy as winner of the University of George G. Booth Traveling Fellowship in Architecture.

He also served on the staff of the U of M's Near East Research Expedition in Carthage, Tunisia, and was a draftsman for Eliel Saarinen, at the Cranbrook Academy of Arts.

Calder was the architect for buildings at Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, Michigan Technological University, Hope College, Northern Michigan University, Hillsdale College, Wayne State University, Ferris State College and Lake Superior State College.

Survivors include a brother, James, and a sister, Marguerite. His wife, Helen, died in 1961. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mariners' Church, East Jefferson, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

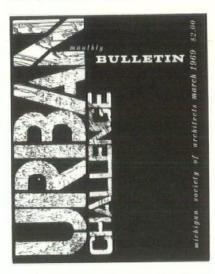
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