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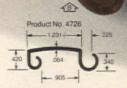
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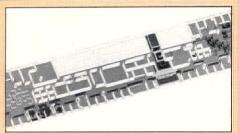
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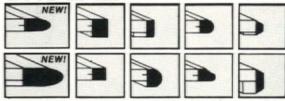
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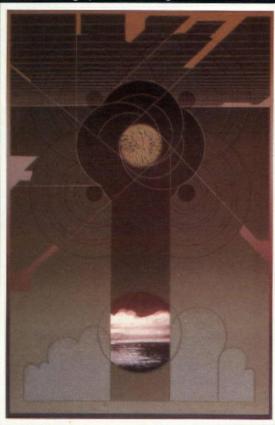


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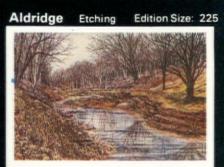


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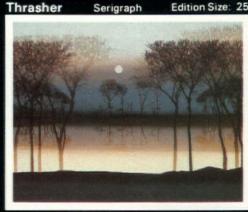
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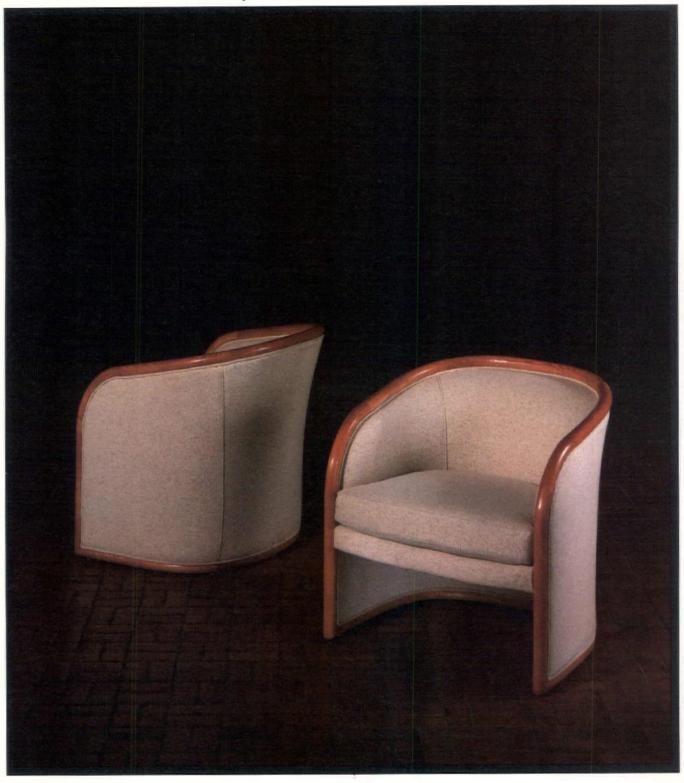
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DEALERS RESPOND TO QUOTE

Dear Editor: As we represent one of the major dealers in Chicago, I felt it necessary to respond to Ms. Jablonski's comments in January 1983 [CONTRACT Quotes].

The growth of the contract industry for over two decades comes as a result of the joint efforts among the prevailing disciplines, i.e., architects, planners, designers, dealers, manufacturers, and, of course, the end-user community. Increasing the awareness of the work that each of these disciplines does will only serve to improve the quality of work delivered. It does not help the image of the industry to engage in name-calling or to accuse any disciplines of a failure simply because problems arise.

What is required of all is to share openly what our roles are and how we can deliver not for the least, but rather for that which serves the interest of the client.

I am confident that I speak for all of the other quality dealers in Chicago, as well as the rest of the nation.

HERMAN BATKO

Contract Interiors for Business Chicago, IL

Dear Editor: I would strongly suggest that Ms. Jablonski (CONTRACT Quotes, January 1983) take the time to visit some of the major dealerships in the Chicago area, as it is obvious she has not taken the time to do so at this point.

I would like also to suggest that the design profession realize it is not going to get top service for a low price and should consider doing the best job possible for the client instead of just trying to get a low price.

JAMES R. MARQUESS

President

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KRAWCZYK ARTICLE ON TARGET

Dear Editor: Thank you for a clear presentation of the article "Computer Consultant Slashes Ordering Time 75%, Enhances Service Scope Of Automated Clients." (January 1983 issue, page 200). Automated furniture specification processes can be, at times, a very complicated subject to understand and

I hope CONTRACT continues its efforts to

bring more information to its readers on computer applications in regard to design and architecture.

ROBERT J. KRAWCZYK

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Dear Editor: Your recent article on the IBM Product Centers in New York City (CON-TRACT, December 1982) did not recognize Mr. Paul Rand for creating the basic design concept for these stores, including furniture. graphics, and color scheme.

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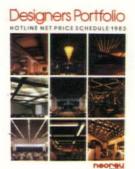




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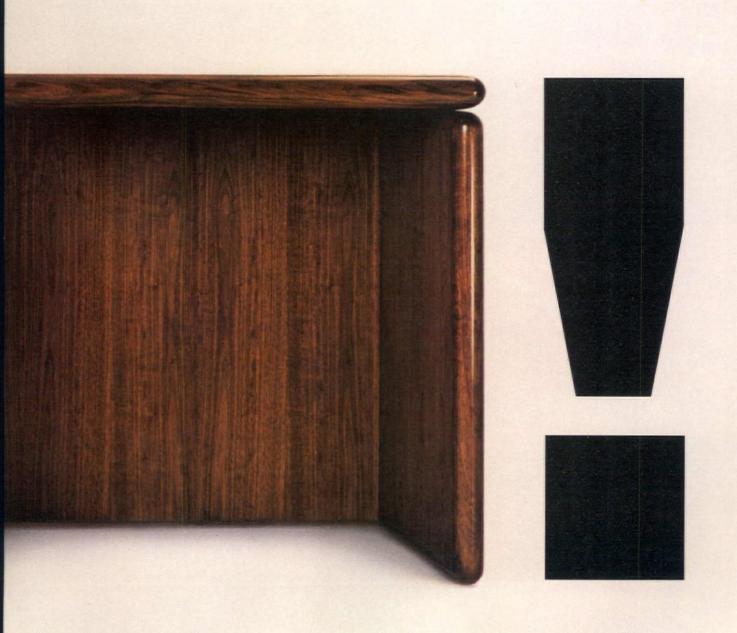
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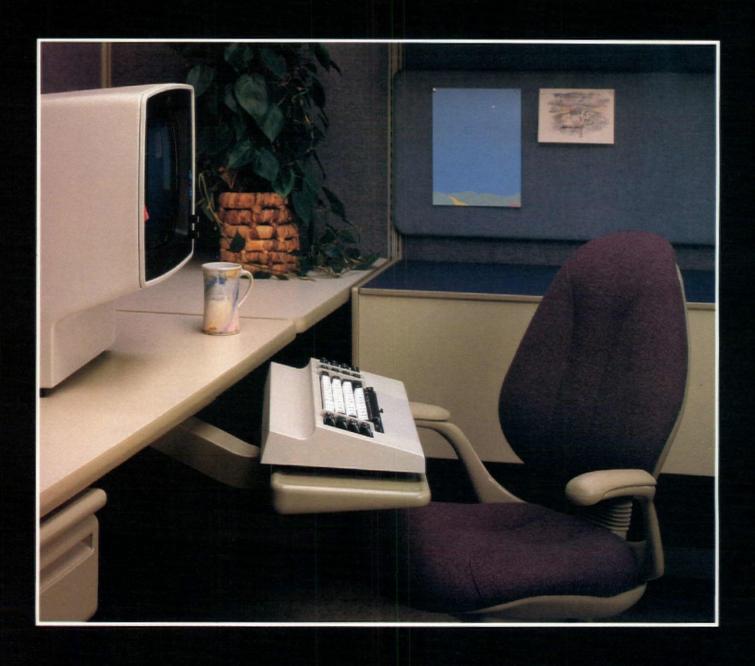


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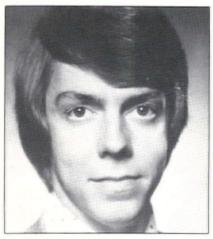
200 exhibits, 12 seminars planned for Lighting World II pinpoint design & technological breakthroughs

New York—A comprehensive overview of latest developments in architectural lighting design and technology will be provided in 12 seminars, 200 exhibits, and social events at Lighting World II, the International Advanced Illumination Conference and Exposition, April 25-27.

Scheduled to take place at the New York Hilton Hotel, the conference will feature nearly 200 exhibits showcasing lighting fixtures, controls, and energy management systems. In addition, an impressive list of industry leaders will host 12 seminars addressing crucial design and technical issues.

Howard Brandston. Howard Brandston Lighting Design Inc., will open the conference with one of two morning seminars. He will review current lighting design problems and forecast future requisites and responsibilities lighting professionals will face in his seminar "The Challenges in Lighting Design." Following Brandston's seminar, Lesley Wheel, Wheel-Gersztoff Associates, and Susan A. Forbes, Forbes Ergas Design Associates Inc., will discuss the function of lighting consultants in "Lighting Consultants-The Designer's Choice."

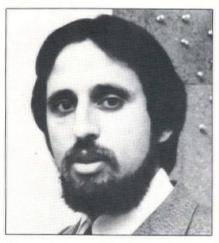
Three afternoon sessions round out Monday's schedule. "Energy Management from the Owner's Point of View"



"Office Lighting-Options for the Future" will be coordinated by Jeff Milham of Design Decisions Inc. This seminar will overview changing technologies in lighting design.



Leading a seminar on selecting the right lighting consultant are Susan Forbes (above) and Lesley Wheel. Forbes is principal of Forbes Ergas Design Inc.



Manny Feris, president, New York IES (above), will be a featured speaker covering lighting and restoration. Co-hosting the seminar are Steve Izenour of Venturi-Rauch and John Barie of Swanke, Hayden, Connell.

will deal with how large corporations best apply energy management techniques to lighting installations. Speaking on the topic will be Sheldon Steiner, Flack & Kurtz Consulting Engineers; Ralph Miriello, Exxon Corp.; and Steven Fitzmaurice, Helmsley-Spear Management Corp. David A. Mintz, David A. Mintz Inc., will conduct "What Else Should You Expect from Your Lighting Consultant?" which will explain the varied contributions consul-



Jo Anne Lindsley of Syska & Hennessy will moderate "The Magic and Physics of Light." Speakers are Joseph Upham and K.C. Cole.

tants can make to a project. Carl Hillman, CHA Design Inc., will use slides and other visual aids in a presentation titled "Light, Reflection, and Illusion." This session will explore the potential for visual illusion offered by interaction of light and reflective materials.

Lighting World II's official opening will mix business with pleasure at a gala to be held at Studio 54. An open bar and buffet dinner start the evening's festivities at 8 p.m. An after-dinner lighting show at the famous discotheque will be followed by a disco party that will continue through early morning hours.

Tuesday morning's agenda is headed by "Looking Backward," a discussion by Paul Marantz, Jules Fisher & Paul Marantz Inc., on applying valuable lessons learned from the past to today's lighting strategies. Following this seminar is "Architectural Lighting with Techniques Borrowed from Film, Theater, and Television," a seminar led by eminent entertainment lighting experts Sonny Sonnenfeld, Imero Fiorentino, and Celeste Gainey. This panel discussion will focus on how specifiers can adapt performance lighting techniques, illusions, and tricks for use in outstanding architectural lighting installations.

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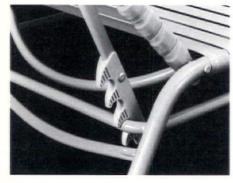




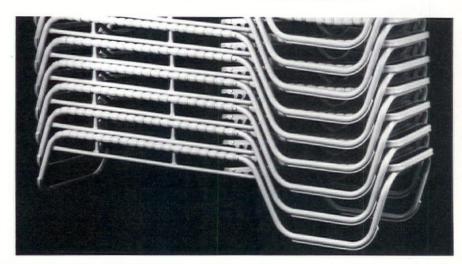
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seminar, "Office Lighting—Options for the Future," will be conducted by Jeffrey A. Milham, Design Decisions Inc. He will evaluate lighting options now made available by new fixture, lamp, and control technologies. "Perception, Lighting, and Sunlighting as Formgivers for Architecture," led by William M.C. Lam, William Lam Associates, will show how the real world is perceived, thus providing the basis for evaluating and designing the luminous environments of buildings and cities.

Capping Tuesday's schedule will be the 1983 Lumen Awards Program/Gala Presentation Dinner honoring outstanding lighting designs. Sponsored by the New York Section of the Illuminating Engineers Society (IES), the award is intended to encourage and publicly recognize lighting design excellence, professionalism, ingenuity, and originality. The dinner will be held in the Grand Trianon Ballroom of the New York Hilton Hotel.

Wednesday's seminars will begin with "Restoration and Lighting Design Today," which will discuss lighting solutions for older buildings undergoing



Howard Brandston, principal, Howard Brandson Lighting Design Inc., will review current problems in lighting design and future challenges to be presented by specialized lighting.

renovation. On the discussion panel will be Manny Feris, manufacturers representative; Steve Izenor, Venturi-Rauch; and John Barrie of Swanke, Hayden, Connell, Architects.

A fascinating display of light as a design medium will be exhibited in "The Magic and Physics of Light," during which Joseph Upham, New York Experimental Glass Workshop, will discuss color, perception, and movement through kinetic neon light sculpture. K.C. Cole, author of Facets of Light, will

demonstrate and explain physical properties of light as they occur naturally and as they are portrayed in the teaching of physics. Jo Anne Lindsley, Syska & Hennessy Inc., moderates the session.

"Light Sources for the '80's" will be hosted by eight technical experts who will explain new and innovative lamp sources. Technological breakthroughs in lighting efficiency and color rendition will be among subjects covered. William Warren, Lighting Unlimited, will moderate the symposium.

Lighting World II also will feature the Richard Kelly Memorial Scholarship Luncheon, during which a student will be awarded for innovative work in the art/science of illumination. This luncheon is held in the honor of one of the industry's original architectural lighting consultants.

Also to be featured during the event is an International Association of Lighting Designers (IALD) luncheon at which the upcoming IALD Lighting Awards will be announced. This international, noncompetitive program will award lighting professionals for design excellence in illumination at the association's annual meeting in November. The luncheon will take place on Monday, April 25.

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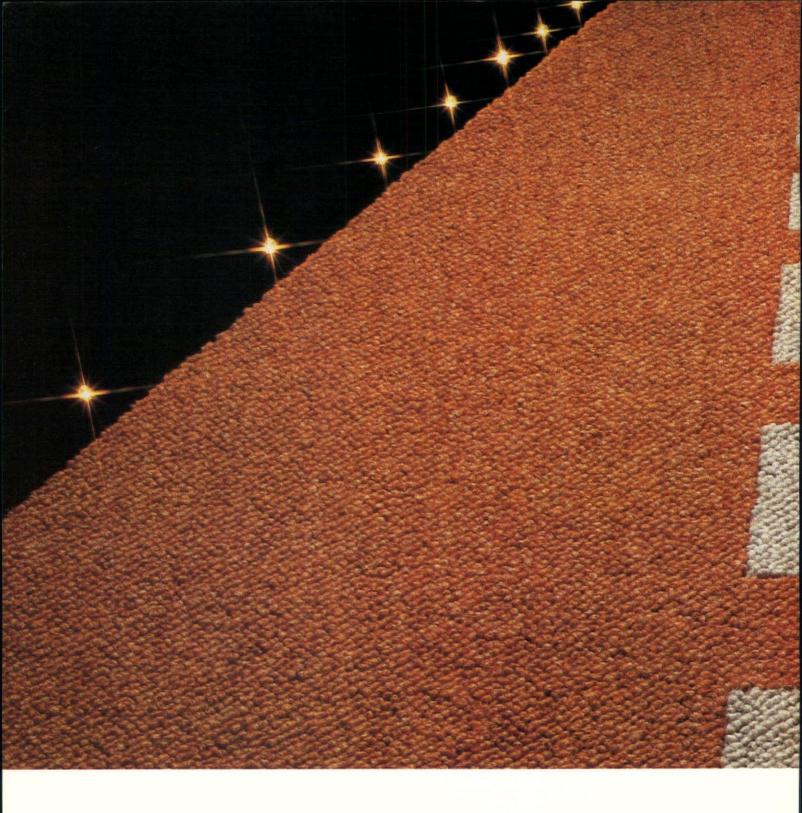
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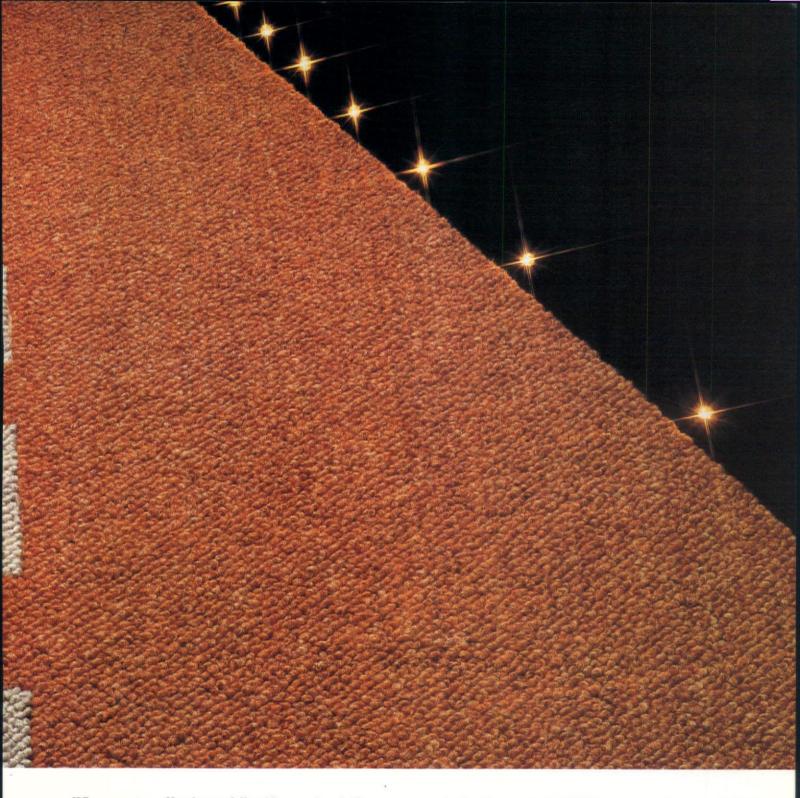
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ASID names Whaley VP/president-elect



Shown (from left to right) are ASID national officers William Manley, ASID, national treasurer; Martin Elinoff, FASID, national president; Karlyn Kuper, ASID, national secretary; Wallace R. Jonason, FASID, national past president; and William Richards Whaley, FASID, national first vice president/president-elect. Whaley assumes office in 1984.

New York—William Richards Whaley, FASID, was elected first vice president/ president-elect of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID). He will assume chapter presidency in 1984.

An associate with Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum, Washington, D.C. interior space planning firm, Whaley has also served as president of the organization's Potomac Chapter; regional vice president of the Mid-Atlantic region; member, national board of directors; and national treasurer.

Also active in design education, Whaley has served on The Foundation For Interior Design Education Research (FIDER) board of trustees and is a fellow in that organization.

Other recently elected ASID officers are national secretary Karlyn Kuper, ASID, co-owner and president, Berry, Buckingham & Kuper, Omaha, Neb.; and national treasurer William Manley, ASID, president, Wm. Manley Assoc., Glendale, Wis. Wallace Jonason continues as past president of ASID.

1982 FIDER grants total \$71,245

New York—A total of \$71,245 was raised by The Foundation For Interior Design Education Research (FIDER) in 1982. These grants, made by industry associations, interior design source firms, and working professionals, will be used to encourage the growth of interior design education throughout U.S. learning institutions.

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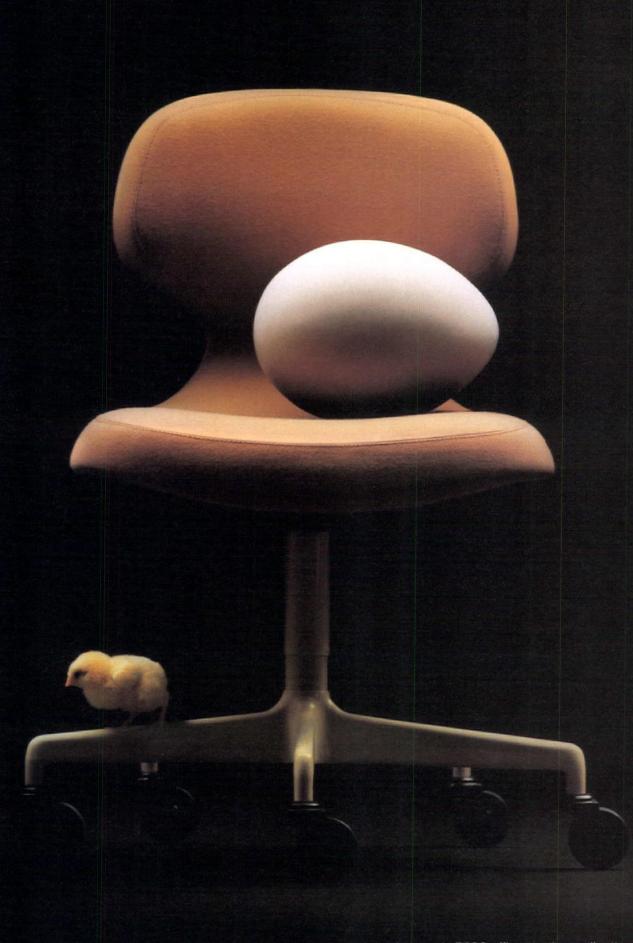
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Latta appointed to FIDER board

Other news from FIDER includes the appointment of Hugh L. Latta, adjunct professor, Auburn University College of Architecture, to the board of trustees. Latta, who also is past national education chairman, AID, and recipient of the 1981 Georgia ASID Education Award as well as the 1982 ASID National Interior Design Project Award, replaces Warren G. Arnett, FASID, who served on the foundation's board since 1974.

Reappointed to the FIDER board are Arlis Ede, FASID, principal, Arlis Ede Interiors, Dallas; and Boyd L. Loendorf, FASID, principal, Larson-Loendorf, Mercer Island. He also continues to serve as secretary/treasurer.

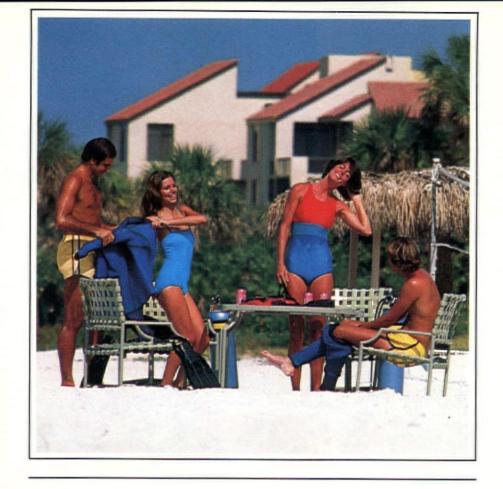
New 1983 foundation officers are chairman of the board Lyman T. Johnson, FIDEC, University of Oregon and assistant treasurer Holmes Newman, ASID. Doris Burton will continue to serve as past board chairman.



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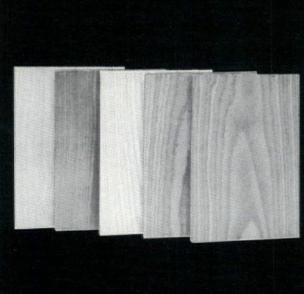
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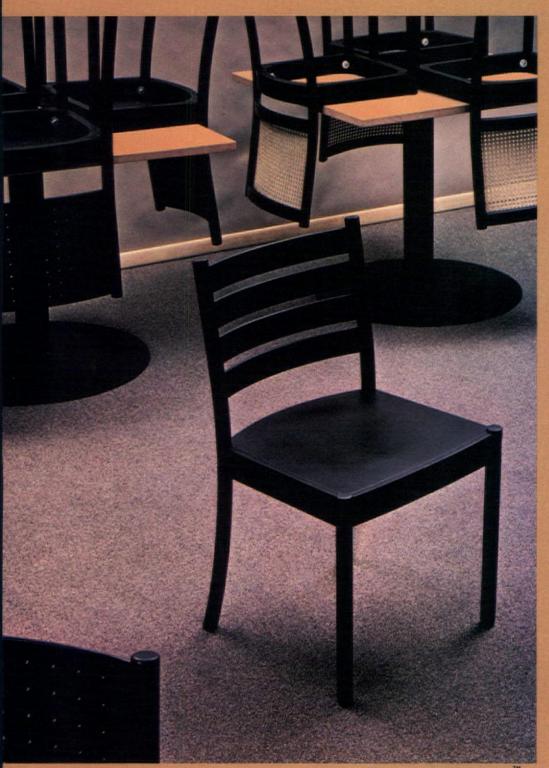


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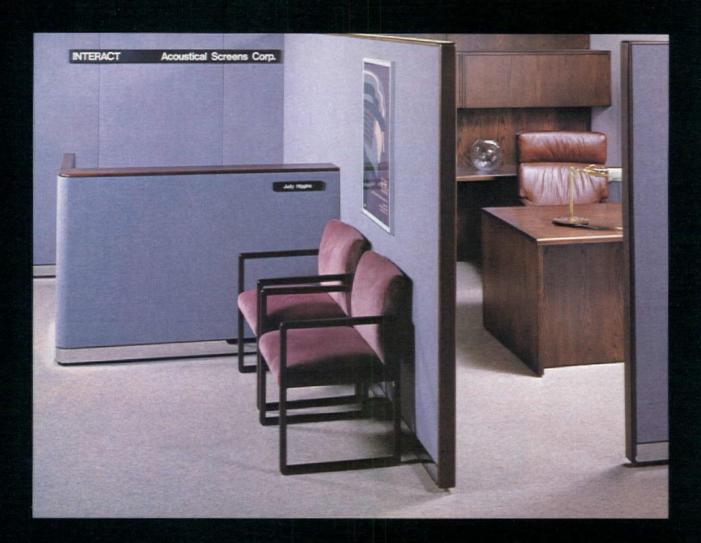




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Sauerbrey to head ASID/Washington

Seattle—Barbara Sauerbrey, FASID, was re-elected president of the Washington State Chapter, American Society of Interior Designers (ASID). Serving with her for the 1983 term are Marvin C. Sharpe, ASID, vice president; Melinda Sechrist, ASID, secretary; Franz Lewis, ASID, treasurer; and Rich Lacher, ASID, past president. Chapter national



Shown (from left to right) are 1983 officers, Washington State Chapter/ASID. They are Melinda Sechrist, secretary; Roi Nevaril, chapter national board member; Marvin Sharpe, vice president; Franz Lewis, treasurer; and Barbara Sauerbrey organization president.

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New board members for the chapter are Rosalie Gorfkle, James Halversen, David Moll, and Susan Yerkes.

Design education benefits from annual concert

New York—The Foundation For Interior Design Education Research (FIDER) and the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Educational Foundation will be the beneficiaries of an annual concert given by Bob Herring, vice president and publicity director, Schumacher. Scheduled for April 7, the concert will take place at Merkin Concert Hall, Abraham Goodman House, located at West 67th St., New York.

This year's performance will feature selected pieces by Copeland, Schubert, Poulenc, Liszt, and Finzi. Herring, a baritone, will be accompanied by prominent New York singing coach Stanley Sonntag.

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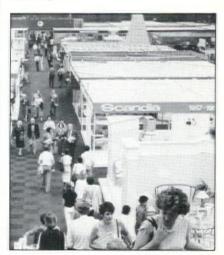
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French furniture is key feature at London expo

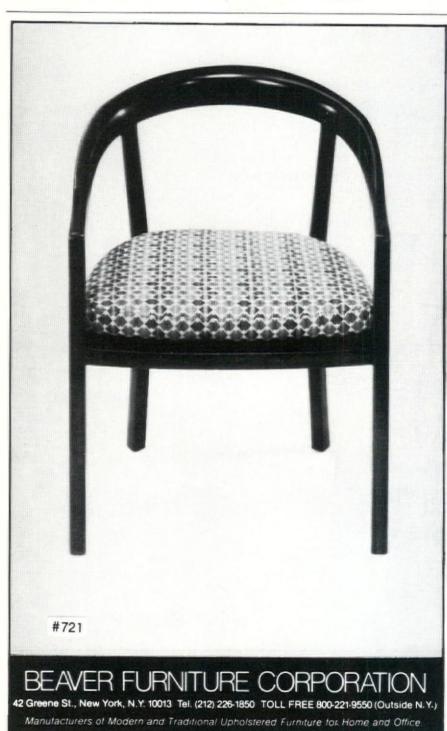
London—For the first time in the exhibition's history, the Association of French Furniture Exporters will display products at Interior Design International. Companies such as Grosfillex, Ciolino, and Triconfort will be among those represented by the exporting association. The event will be held at Olympia, May 15-19.

In addition, with the backing of the Irish Export Board, eight Irish firms will display carpets, fabrics, and furniture. Companies committed to the event include Donegal Carpets, Thomas Manning, Providence Woollen Mills, and Tintawn Carpets.

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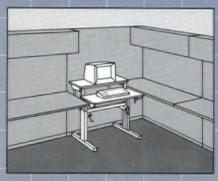
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EDUCATION FOCUS SETS PACE AT EXPO



Michael Cameron President Ambiant Ltd. Toronto—

66 Canexus, the Canadian office furniture manufacturers exhibition, is different from Designer's Saturday. Because there is a registration fee, it draws the cream of the space planning crop-the working professional from the U.S. and Canada. Attendees are attracted to seminars as well as product displays. The entire program has a strong educational bias and is intended to seize upon a theme specifiers are interested in learning more about. In addition, by setting up a design council comprised of specifiers and manufacturers, Canexus offers attendees what they really want to see and makes them feel part of a solution and educational approach. 99

EUROPE OFFERS GOODS FOR COMPUTER SUPPORT

Mike Levitas, President. Office Suites Inc., Chicago—

66 On my recent visit to Europe, it struck me there is a tremendous amount, and variety, of computers and electronic equipment. The problem from our perspective is what will the user need tomorow? How do you anticipate what IBM and 100 other companies will be doing? We try to stay as flexible as we can. The Europeans had some interesting ideas. Deeper typing returns are important. In Europe, I saw a lot of adjustable returns for CRTs so terminals can be used separately. Europeans are approaching design differently, but they aren't ahead of us in de-

sign of wood furniture and casegoods. Their offices seem to be bigger, because their furniture is more spread out and less vertical. But, in seating, they are far ahead of the United States. ??

CAN PLANNERS LIMIT HUMANISM IN DESIGN?

Benedetto Pucio Assistant Design Director HLW New York—



6 We must translate the easy words of 'quality' and 'caring' into humanistic programatic comments that can be wrapped in flesh and infused with life and dignity. The truth is, however, that we cannot discuss caring or quality in a vacuum. We must face up to the major issue: what do they cost and who pays for them? Caring costs dollars, but not caring enough can cost lives. The latter is not a viable option. Can we put a limit on caring or on cost?

NEW PROJECTS BRIDGE CANADA-U.S. GAP



Scott Levy National Sales Manager Business Accessories Toronto—

Canadian designers are now as well-informed as U.S. specifiers. This was not the case several years ago. Canadian planners are becoming more nomadic. They are going into Western Canada and are getting assignments throughout the provinces through developers. In addition, as Canadian companies grow more prominent in the U.S., they are hiring Canadian specifiers to design headquarters and branch offices in U.S. cities. 22

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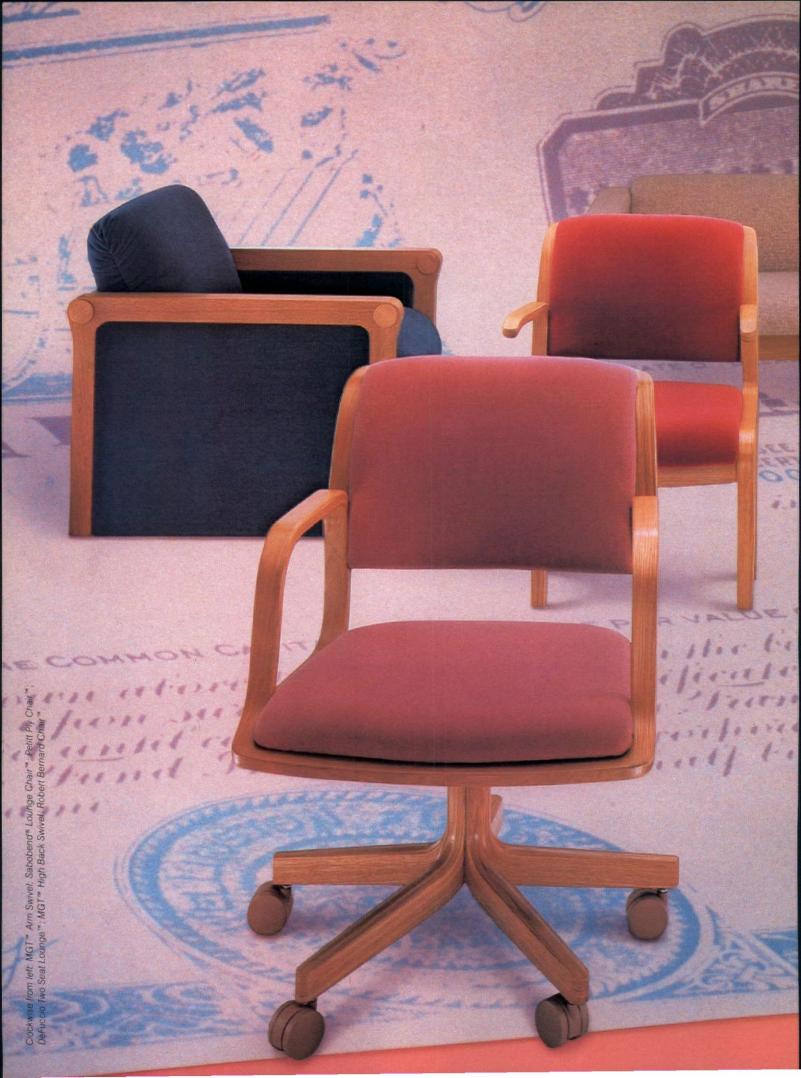
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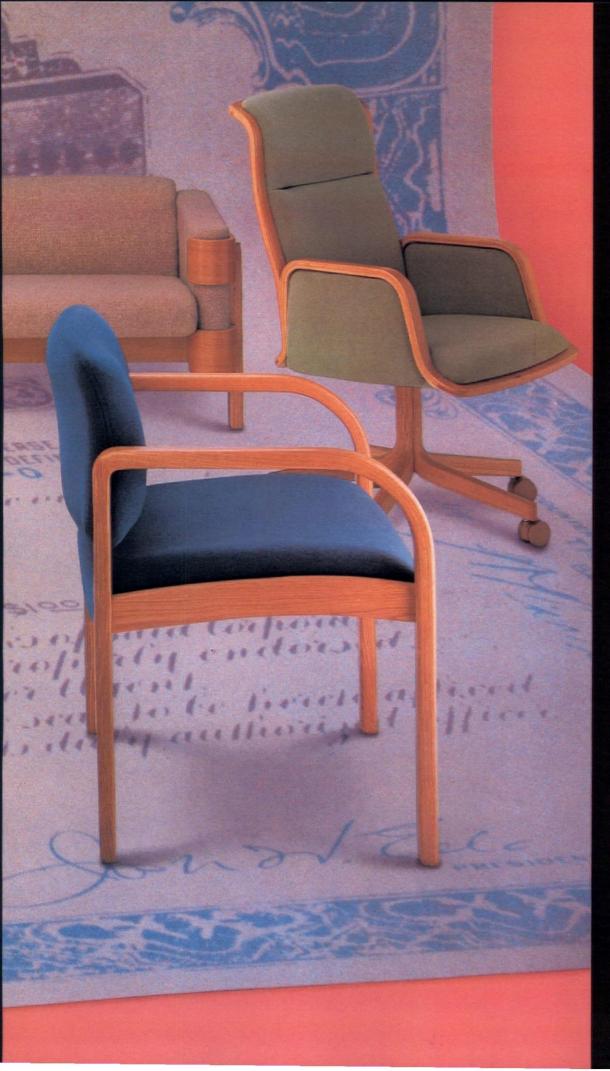
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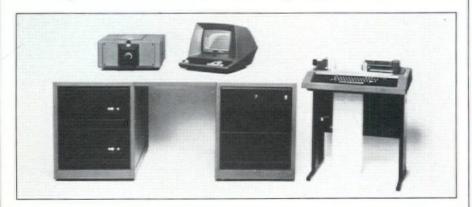
Varied shelf sizes increase computer printout storage options



Aurora Steel Products introduces a high-density computer printout storage system for use with the company's Quik-loc[™] shelving. Comprised of an aluminum channel and nylon T-bar, system is offered with standard shelves in 12-, 15-, and 18-in. depths and is

available in standard heights. Bound printouts mounted on the T-bar slide in and out of the channel for storage and retrieval. Units are installed without tools or fasteners and are available with laminate worksurfaces and acoustical end panels. Circle No. 388.

Accurate color matching is now computer-controlled by system



Macbeth, a division of Kollmorgen Corp., has developed a computer match prediction and batch correction method for paint, textiles, and plastics. Automatic match programs permit evaluation of new colorants so new designs or shade ranges can be quickly matched. Called the CMS/III system, it can be used by two operators simultaneously. Circle No. 339.

New CAD system simplifies furniture menus

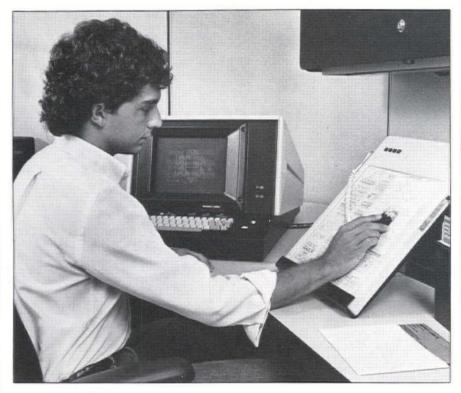
Arrigoni Computer Graphics' updated Touch 'N Draw CAD system offers simplified furniture menus that allow users to easily adapt programs to individual project requirements. System offers users 90 different office furniture systems selections for a total of 30,000 items. Programs are capable of identifying product finishes, trims, colors, heights, and electrical power requirements. They will also register part numbers, locate and display prices, and perform materials and cost analyses for users. Circle No. 387.

Video equipment stored on cart



Video units, table tapes, and monitors are accommodated in compact cart. From the "Fineness" series of United-Orient Co., carts come on casters or in standard shelf styles. Circle No. 338.

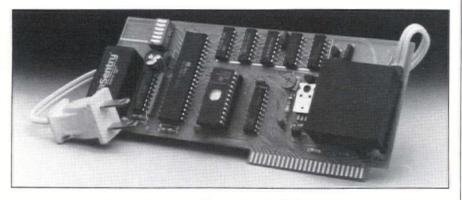
High-speed drawing processor handles "A" to "E" size drafts



Bausch & Lomb offers "The Producer," a high-speed drawing processor, with an interactive drawing station. Unit features a large work area for the drafter, an electronic drawing board, and a plotter station capable of handling

"A" to "E" size drawings. Stations can be operated separately or simultaneously, Scales, templates, rub-ons, lettering guides, and drafting table are not needed with this system. A leasing program is available. Circle No. 389.

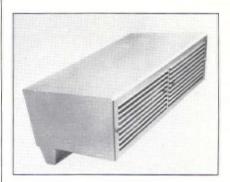
Energy control circuit interfaces with Apple II computer systems



Without the need for hard wiring, the PC-1 from Bi-Comm Systems Inc. plugs into standard outlets and interfaces with Apple II and Apple II Plus computers for building energy management. Built-in clock and calendar allow direct communication over powerline to operate 256 Leviton/BSR remote control devices

for building climate, lighting, appliances, and HVAC. Unit, which measures 7-in. by 3-in., plugs directly into any I/O slot in the Apple computer system. Included in the interface is a bi-directional carrier "Real Time" clock with battery back-up and full recharge capability. Circle No. 333.

Particle-removing air curtain operates within an 18-in. range



Mars Air Doors introduces a laminair flow air curtain with an HEPA (high efficiency particulate air) filter that sterilizes air in hospitals and commercial plants. Unit is installed inside and above room openings and disperses an 18-in., vertical, dust-free air flow to the floor. Rate and direction of flow is adjustable. Heavy-duty electronic motor includes sealed ball bearings.

Circle No. 390.

Projector locks slide focus



Singer's "Caramate 4000" slide projector automatically locks focus in dual-purpose sound/slide system. Unit has built-in 9- by 9-in. rear screen for individual or small group presentations. "Magna Frame" optics permit enlarging screen images 50 percent for detailed viewing. System accommodates slide programs cued to 1000 Hz on standard audio cassettes. Stop/pause cueing permits a program pause at pre-selected intervals. Circle No. 335.



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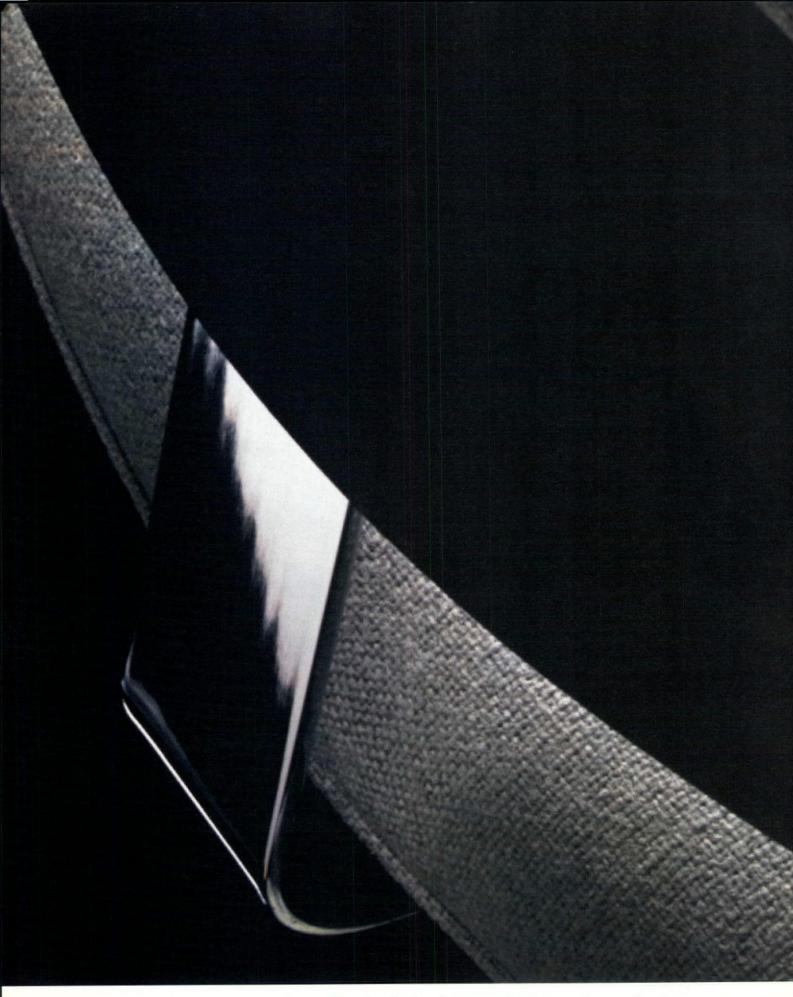
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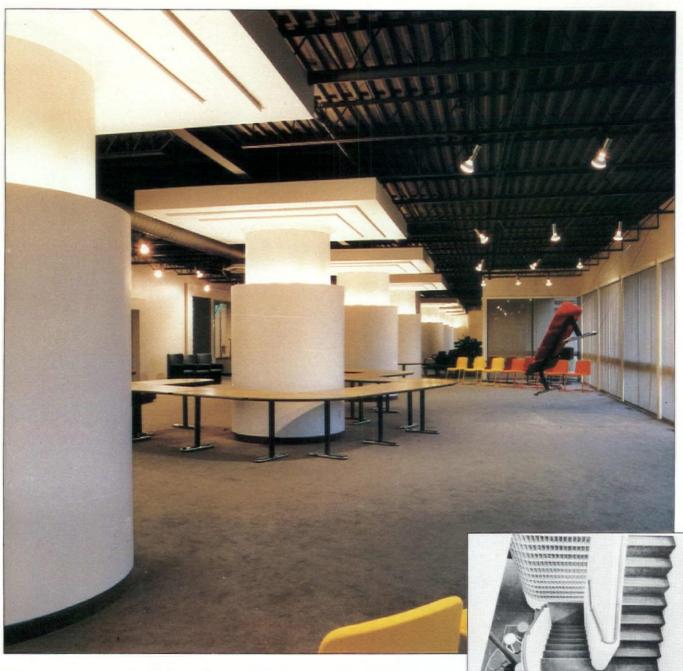
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There are now Stow/Davis chairs for people below the rank of chairman, president and executive vice president.







Planners unify factory/showroom space by matching finish & furniture hues

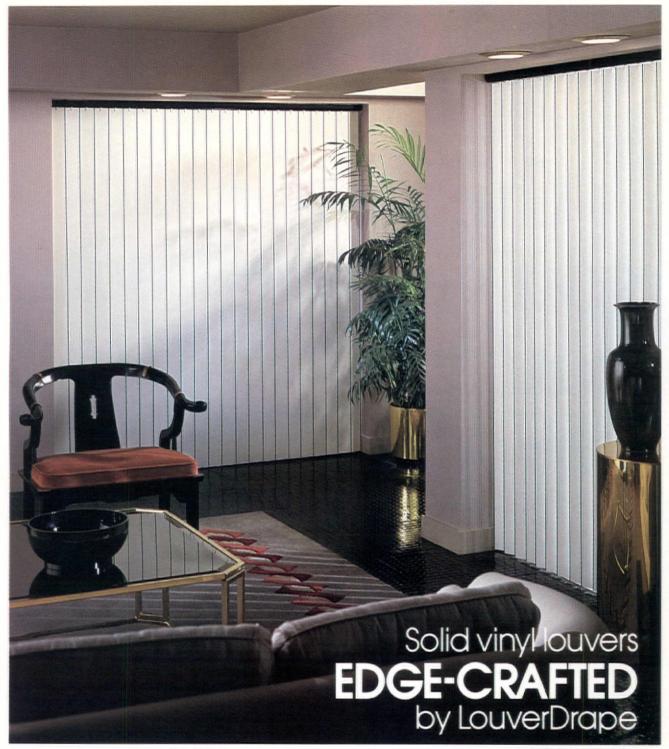
Careful selection of interior finish colors that match those offered on Kinetics furniture enable planners to unify the furniture manufacturer's new 100,000-sq.-ft. factory, office, and showroom facility, Toronto. This design cohesiveness also serves to make the total space an effective showcase for Kinetics furniture during all phases of production.

Among key design features found in the space is planners' use of columns in colors correlating with the firm's Kinkote finish line to camouflage ducts and mechanical equipment. These elements permit smooth transition from open industrial settings to office and showroom areas and further enhance design continuity throughout the facility.

Located near the Toronto airport, the new, two-story facility offers complete visibility of plant operations from second-floor offices. An open stairwell connects manufacturing and general office areas. Since offices are fitted with Kinetics furniture prototypes which are tested in-house before they are slated for production, designers wanted visitors to see products in progress while viewing them in completed form. Thus, the second floor overlook again establishes the total factory/showroom space as a display case for furniture.

Engineered by Young & Wright Architects, Toronto, with interior space planning by Kinetics designer Chris Corner, the project is now a finalist in the Canadian Governor Generals Awards Program for Architecture, honoring Canadian design excellence.

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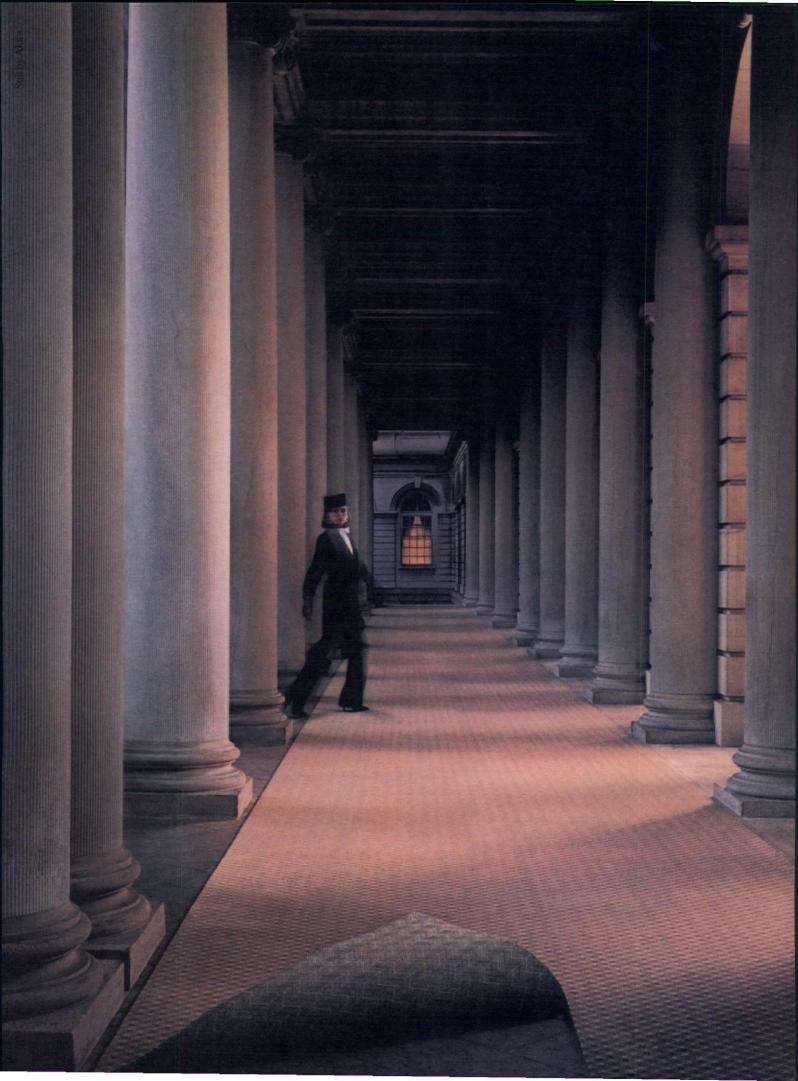
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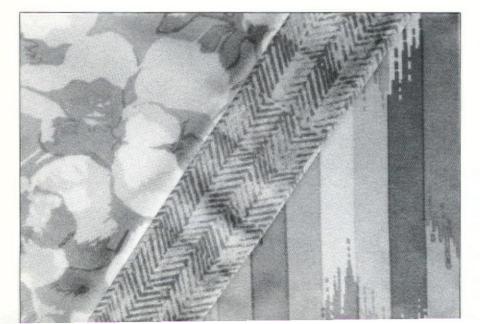
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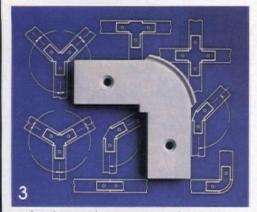
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All desks feature 26-in. drawers treated to prevent warping. Other drawer features include dovetail joint construction, 100-lb. load capacity, adjustability, ball-bearing suspension, pencil tray storage, and central locking systems.

"Ventura" (top), the contemporary style, features rounded edges, matched veneers, and concealed finger pulls. This six-piece collection includes two executive-size, double-pedestal designs; right- and left-"L" secretarial models; credenzas; and a boat-shaped conference table. Available finishes are medium-tone oak and walnut.

"Yorktown" (bottom), a traditional collection, shows 18th-century influences. Group offers mitered tops, solid wood moldings, bookmatched walnut veneers, and brass hardware. Finished in a hand-rubbed soft amber, this style includes executive double-pedestal designs in three sizes: right- and left-"L" secretarial desks; credenzas; two-door telephone cabinets; rectangular conference tables; and two- or three-shelf bookcases.

Bookmatched walnut veneer are also featured in the contemporary "Brookside" collection (center), which combines brass accents, and radius edges with textured-leather laminate tops. This six-piece grouping includes two executive double-pedestal designs; right- and left-"L" secretarial desks; credenzas; and two-door lateral files.

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Merchandise Mart plans 15th year celebration of NEOCON



A 15th anniversary celebration of the biggest contract show on earth is planned by the Merchandise Mart in Chicago for NEOCON 15, June 14-17, 1983. Highlighting the event will be

Cramer will offer the KeyStoke™ series VDT support tables and universal printer stand. Tables feature independently adjustable keyboard and VDT surfaces. Paper feed/catch trays are available for the printer stand. Circle No. 344.

one of the most ambitious seminar and workshop programs to be developed by Mart management, according to James Bidwill, NEOCON director. Also projected will be one of the most extensive exhibits of foreign contract products that will be shown at NEOCON International in the Expo Center directly across the street from the Merchandise Mart.

To highlight the 15th anniversary year, a special logo (shown on these pages) has been developed to signal the design aspects of the four day event.

A sampling of the new introductions by exhibitors is depicted on these pages. CONTRACT's April NEOCON preview will feature more new offerings while the May issue will highlight the "faces and spaces" of NEOCON 15, as well as product introductions and special events for specifiers.



Electronic data support furniture from **Kimball** includes returns with deeper worksurfaces for computers, slot-top printer table with paper feed and catch shelves, and mobile task tables. Items feature walnut veneers with matching finish. **Circle No. 354.**





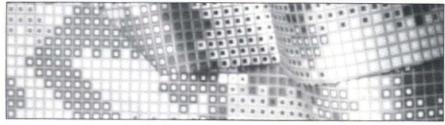
Shelby Williams will show its laminated veneer arm chair with contoured back and seat designed by Karl Erik Ekseluis. Constructed of molded plywood with foam-padded upholstery, product measures 22-in. wide/deep and 33-in. high. Circle No. 341.

Precision's latest entry features acoustical panels in various fabric colors. Also offered are straight or curved transparent panels. Other components include worksurfaces, pedestals, CRT platforms, and power facilities. **Circle No. 355.**





The Pace Collection will show its modular "Pace/Olivetti Synthesis 80" collection designed by Ettore Sottsass, Jr. Integrated units include several table and desk sizes, pedestals, and storage cabinets. Group has natural oak or walnut tops coordinated with beige steel side panels and chrome bases. **Circle No. 351.**



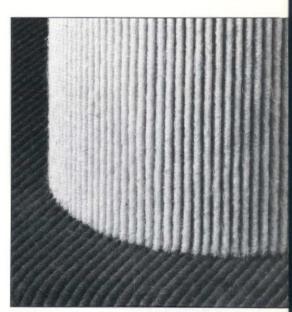
"Orbit" fabric collection by Mira-X is etched between squares to produce a screen-like pattern. "Mira-Columba" (shown) designed by Verner Panton is offered in cotton cretonne in eight colors. Circle No. 356.







"Gamma" series chairs from Davis Furniture offer three upholstery options including standard channel, padded cushion, and thick leather seats. Also available is a new bronze tubular base. Circle No. 340.



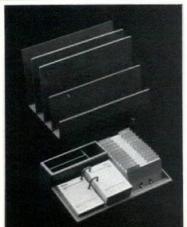
"Tretford" surface system from Eurotex consists of coordinated broadloom, movable modules, and "Acousticord." The latter features corduroy-like ribbing and is applicable for various surfaces in many colors. Circle No. 348.



Intalite's "Magnagrid" open cellular ceiling in black enamel enhances the renovated eighth floor public areas of the Mart. This floor is now exclusively devoted to the contract market. Circle No. 343.

Stendig will preview
"CINA" chair series in
three styles: side chair,
closed-arm version, and the
original with stretchers. All
are constructed of beech
frames with various
finishes. Upholstery is from
the firm's textile line.
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NEOCON COUNTDOWN





Vecta Contract introduces new upholstery option for "Wilkhahn FS" series high-back and manager chairs. Band linking front and rear material now comes in matching fabric.

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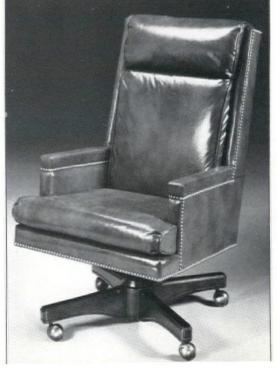
Smokador will feature "Modu Plus 6000" series modular plastic accessories for conventional desk top use or panel mounting in open office systems.

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Leathercraft's executive chair will be shown with individually driven brass nails, wood base, high back, and tilt/swivel. Item is available in 249 colors of leather. Circle No. 350.

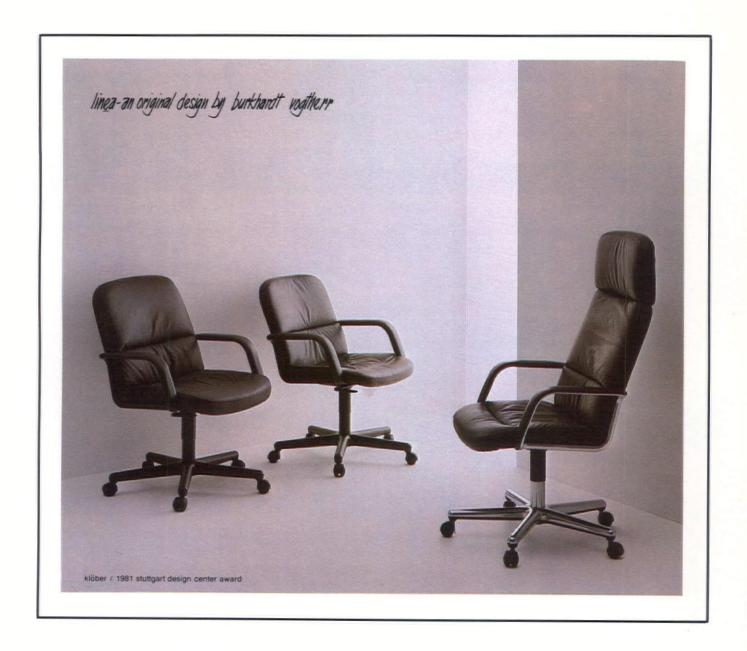






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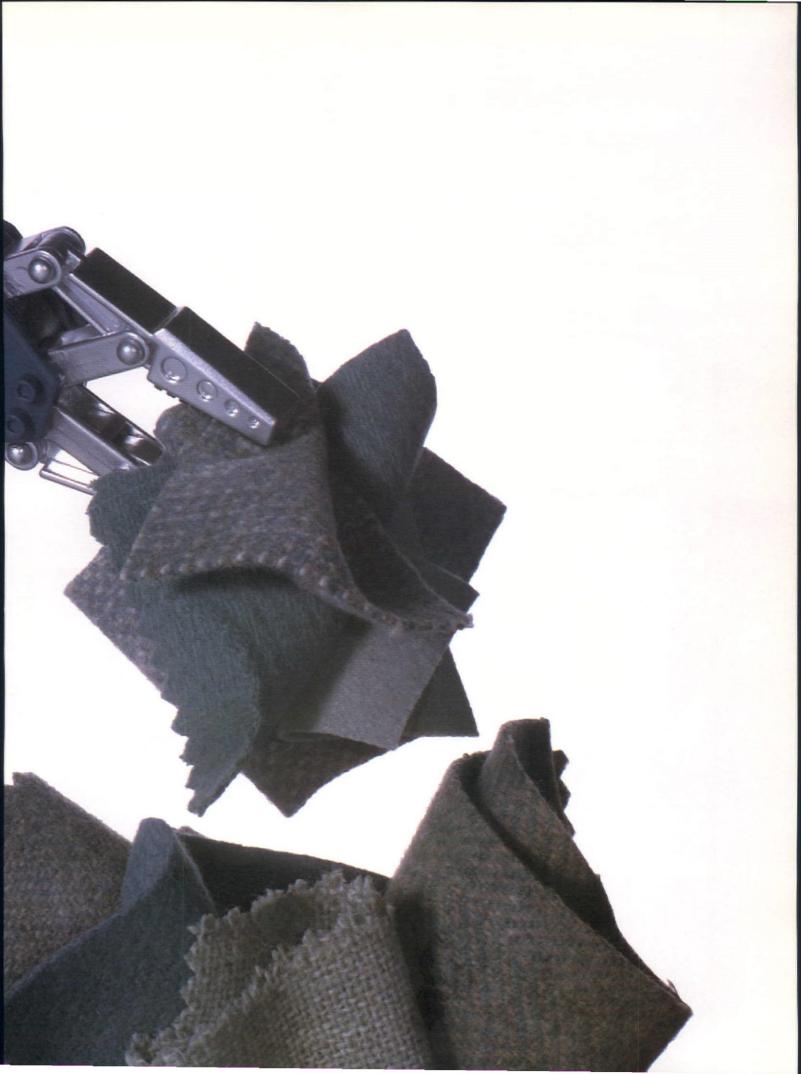
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Expanded Product Design Competition planned for '83 by IBD

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Competition, CONTRACT takes a retrospective
look at the 1982 awards dinner, held at the
Helmsley Palace Hotel, New York. According
to IBD president David Cooke, FIBD, the
competition will be marked this year by a new
awards dinner format designed to enhance
recognition of competition winners and product
designers being honored. Depicted on these
pages are some of the competition's winners
and guests who attended the event.



Shown are FIDER representatives Boyd Loendorf, FASID, organization secretary/treasurer (left); Edna Kane, director, administrations, and Doris Burton, past chairman of the board of trustees (far right) with Martin Elinoff, national president, ASID.



Design Tex received a silver award and an honorable mention for its Silhouette and Wool Checkmate fabric designs. Shown here are firm VIP Ralph Saltzman (left) and CONTRACT co-publisher and advertising sales director Frank Rizzo.



Eleanor Fields, wife of the late Edward Fields, and David Cooke, IBD president, are shown at the awards dinner. Edward Fields Inc. received an honorable mention for Geomatrix carpet, a 1982 submission.

Arc-Com Fabrics won silver and honorable mention awards for two upholstery fabric submissions: Lateral Plush and Fire Tandem designed by firm principals Jeffrey and Peter Layne. Shown (from left to right) are Jeffrey Layne, firm designer/stylist Louise Russell, Peter Layne, and Marilyn Rommeney, director of advertising and public relations.





Industry professionals packed a ballroom at the Helmsley Palace Hotel, New York, to view the winning entries in the IBD/CONTRACT Product Design Competition.



Atelier International president Steve Kiviat (left) and vice president, sales, John Nichols (right) celebrate their firm's achievements in the 1982 IBD/CONTRACT Product Design Competition. The company took "Best of Show" for its Uni Chair designed by Werther Toffoloni, and a gold award for its "Wall" lamp, a product of the firm's lighting division.



Corry Jamestown VIPs Vince Danesi (left) and Sam Clarke (right) discuss the event with Institute of Business Designers vice president Gene Daniels, IBD.



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Generating entries in untapped categories is key drive



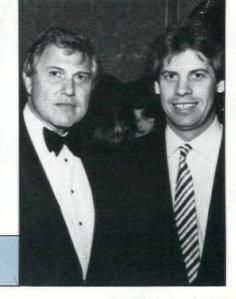
IBD New York chapter VIPs who contributed time and effort to the awards competition include (seated, from left to right) designer Sydelle Hird, New York chapter president; Muriel Mayer, New York showroom manager, Intrex Inc., chapter fundraising chairperson; (standing) designer Bruce Rabino, chapter past president; John Lauruska, IBD, of furniture dealership Orthwine Inc.; and designer Charles Gelber, IBD president emeritus, event co-chair, and member, IBD College of Fellows.



Hank Loewenstein, principal, Loewenstein, holds up his firm's honorable mention award for its 1982 submission, City Stacking Chair.



Emmet Dineen, Merchandise Mart VIP (left), and Jo Heinz, president emeritus, IBD, pose for a photograph during the awards presentation.



Shown (from left to right) are CONTRACT co-publisher/editor Len Corlin and Rudd International principal Alan Rudd. Rudd was a recipient of the IBD President's Award for catalogs, a presentation which debuted in 1982.

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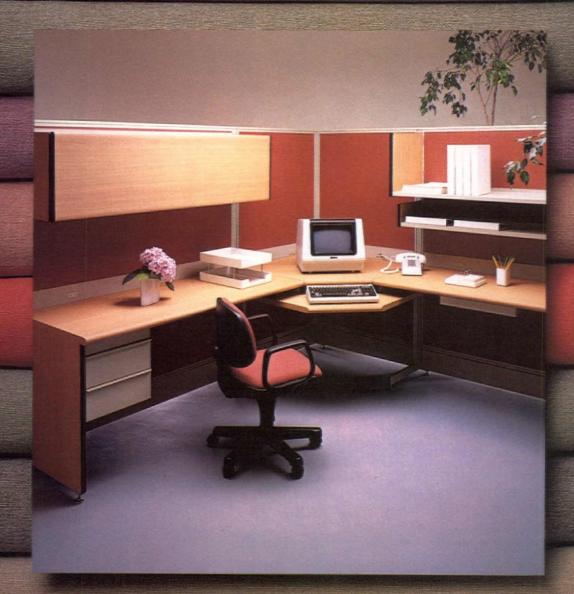
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Cambray Mills named two new California sales representatives. Al Simas (shown) is responsible for Central Valley, Bakersfield, Fresno, and Sacramento territories. Gail Cote (shown) serves downtown and western Los Angeles. Other company news includes the introduction of Marquesa Heather contract carpet.

Michele Lau (shown) was appointed sales representative for Bentley Mills in Iowa and Minnesota.

Corry Jamestown acquired assets of Laurel Industries and Plating Inc., Boyers, Pa. The acquired firm will now provide nickel chrome plating and other factory services for Corry Jamestown's office furniture manufacturing operations.

R-Way appointed **Thomas Duggan** to the position of vice president, marketing for the firm.

Haines Lundberg Waehler announced the expansion and relocation of its interior design division. Called Interiors Plus, the division is now located at 215 Lexington Ave., New York.



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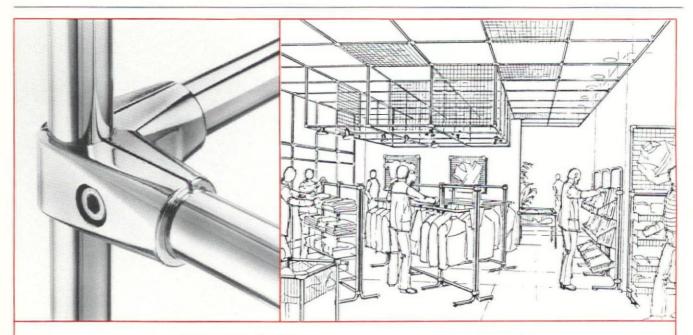
Peter Hitt (shown), senior vice president and general manager of Perkins & Will's Chicago office, was elected to the firm's board of directors.

Mary Albarado (shown) former vice president, Forster Textile Mills, formed a textile consulting firm called Mary Albarado Textile Consultants. It is located at 3722 West Vollmer Rd., Matteson, Ill.

Peachtree Purchasing, a furniture, fixture, and equipment consulting and procurement firm serving the hospitality industry, has opened a California office. Jean Anderson (shown) and Al Coverelli will head the new operation.

Robert R. Laube, formerly senior executive vice president and head of marketing for Kimball International, is now president, Hoosier Desk Co., Jasper, Ind.

Wayne Kenneth Gregory was promoted to the position of vice president, Environetics, International, and is now branch manager of the firm's Chicago office.



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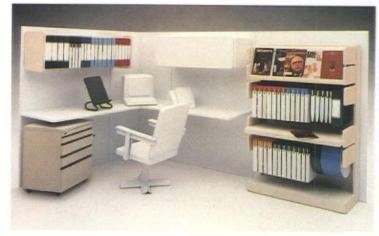
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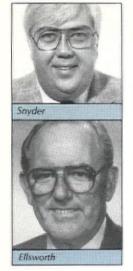
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Saba's Home Furnishings created a commercial furniture division and design studio. Called **Saba Commercial Division**, it will be headed by **Wes Snyder**, ASID, IBD (shown).

Richard C. Ellsworth (shown) joins Lear Seigler's Seymour Division as national accounts manager and regional sales manager for BeautiGlide bed frame products.

Advanced Technology was named sole U.S. importer for Duropal. Duropal factory representative Wolfgang Shmitz joins Advanced Technology's staff as marketing and sales coordinator.

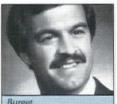
Chico Batavia was promoted to the newly created position of manager, contract marketing & market development for Allied. He will relocate from the firm's Atlanta office to its Fibers Technical Center, Petersburg, Va.

3/D International named Charles B. Thomsen, FAIA, president. He succeeds Jack M. Rains, now chairman of the board. J. Victor Neuhaus III, FAIA, chief executive officer, assumes additional responsibilities of senior board chairman.

Steve Ladd was appointed regional manger, Colorado area, for Designweave, div. Tuftex Carpet Mills.

Business Interiors named **Stephanie Crum** design director. She is responsible for operations at the firm's Philadelphia, Cherry Hill, N.J. and Houston offices.

Carol Disrud was elected president, northern California chapter, Institute of Business Designers (IBD). She works as an associate with Gensler and Assoc., San Fancisco.



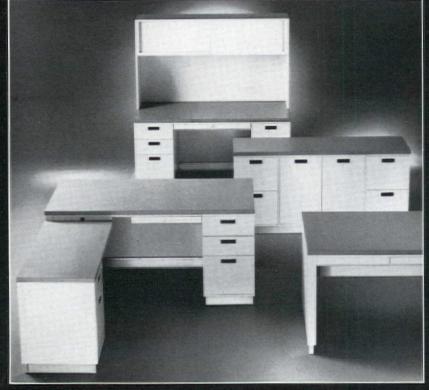
S.R. Wood appointed **Bill Burget** (shown) marketing manager. He will be responsible for sales and marketing of the firm's wallcovering lines.



3M/United Kingdom names Martin E. Blyth (shown) market development manager in charge of Scotchgard protector and related products in Europe.

Albert A. Salzano assumes responsibilities of executive consultant, department store sales for Unicube Corp., a manufacturer of custom-designed, tubular steel display products and modules.

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Ron Graham (shown) was appointed vice president, finance for Fabricut. David Finer is now vice president. purchasing for the firm.

Boris Kroll Fabrics named Lisa Kroll (shown) executive vice president, in charge of design.

Dick Conover (shown) was named vice president, sales, Hardwood House, manufacturer of executive office furniture, Rochester, N.Y.

Peggy B. Jonas was appointed contract marketing manager, The Wool Bureau, New York.

Designworks, international interiors space planning firm, announced the opening of a new 10,000-sq.-ft. facility in Agoura Hills, Calif. The address is 5210 Lewis Rd.

Kenneth G. Reinhard joins Halo Lighting div., McGraw-Edison as national accounts manager. He will coordinate sales efforts across the U.S. for the division.



Grahar



Madelyn Simon, principal, Madelyn Simon & Assoc., won the Interior Plantscape Assn.'s Fourth Awards Competition.





Swartz



The CRS Group has purchased all outstanding stock of Environmental Planning & Research (EPR), San Francisco. CRS, a design/construct company offering project management, architecture, engineering, and construction services, will use the acquisition to broaden its space planning business. EPR offices are located in San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Houston, and Washington, D.C.

Two new contract sales appointments were announced by S. Harris. Aster Owen (shown) and Michael Swartz (shown) will now represent the firm in the Los Angeles area.

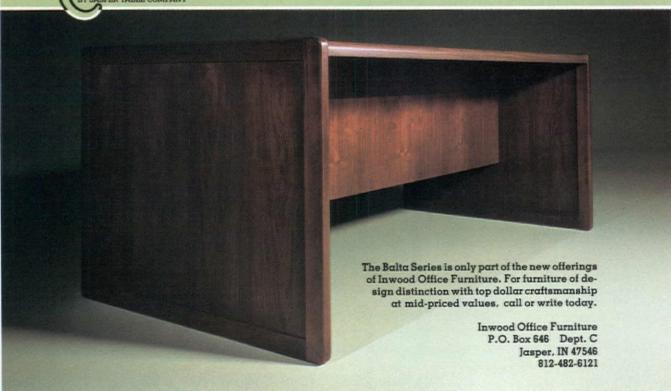
Tony Morrone (shown) was named San Francisco area commercial manager, Walter Carpets.

Thomas E. Nielsen assumes responsibilities of sales and marketing manager, Westin-Nielson Corp.



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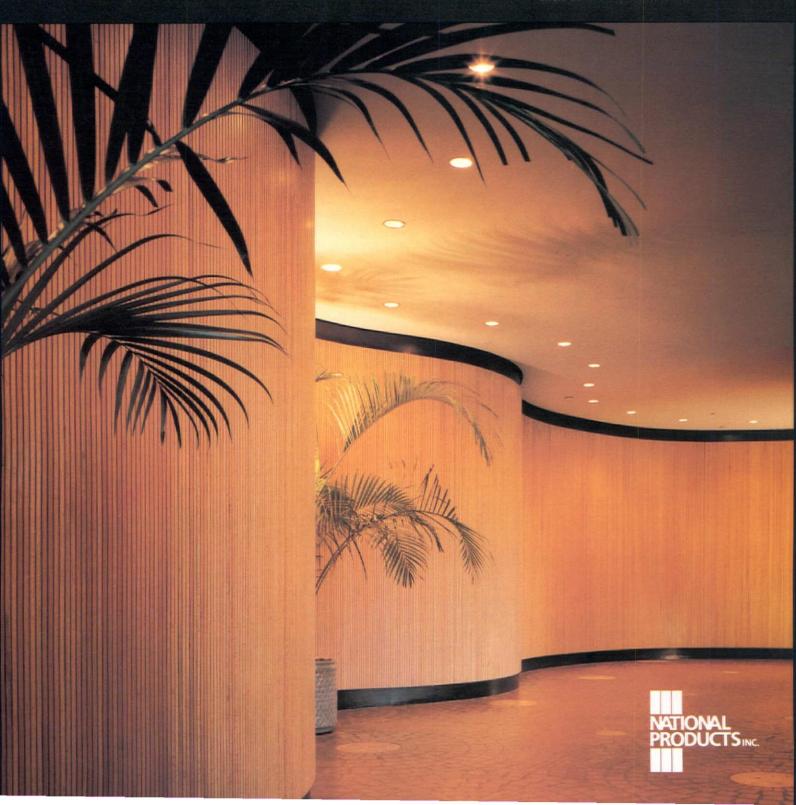
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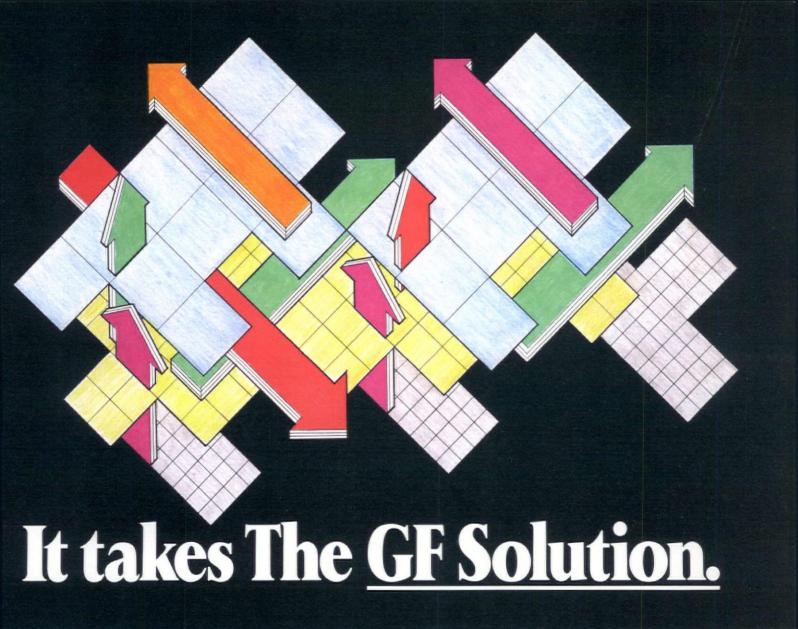
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March 14-17. Federal Office Systems Expo. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC.

March 15-16. Contract Canada '83, A Business Interiors Show. Grande Concourse, Omni International, Atlanta.

March 17-18. Michigan Design Center Preview XII. Michigan Design Center, 1700 Stutz Dr., Troy, Ml.

March 17-19. West Week. Pacific Design Center, Los Angeles. April 4-8. Computer Graphics In The Building Process. American Institute of Architects. Washington, DC.

April 10-13. National Office Products Assn. Contract Furnishings Forum Annual Conference. Pointe Resort, Phoenix, AZ.

April 19-20. Workspace '83, Exposition of Products & Services for Commercial/Institutional Spaces. Civic Auditorium, San Francisco. April 22-24. Presentations Northwest '83, design market. Design Center Northwest, Seattle, WA.

April 25-27. Lighting World II. New York Hilton, New York. May 6. Varieties '83. The Marketplace, Philadelphia.

May 12-15. "Creativity: The Human Resource," 1983 Annual Conference of the National Home Fashions League. Detroit.

May 16-19. National Computer Conference. Anaheim & Disneyland Hotel Convention Center, Anaheim, CA.

May 22-25. 1983 American Institute of Architects (AIA) Convention, "American Architecture—A Living Heritage." New Orleans. June 7-9. 1983 International Energy Trade Show/Conference. The Ohio Center, Columbus, OH.

June 8-10. A/E Systems '83, Electronic Design & Architectural Drafting Equipment Exhibition. Market Hall, Dallas.

June 14-17. NEOCON 15, National Exposition of Contract Interior

Furnishings. Merchandise Mart, Chicago.

July 16-19. International Carpet & Rug Market. Atlanta Market Center, 240 Peachtree St., N.W., Atlanta.

July 16-20. Summer Floorcoverings Market. Atlanta Merchandise Mart, 240 Peachtree St., N.W., Atlanta.

September 11-13. National Decorative Accessories Show, First National Exposition of Decorative Interior Products. Moscone Center, San Francisco.

September 22-23. Michigan Design Center Preview XIII. Michigan Design Center, 1700 Stutz Dr., Troy, Ml.

September 22-25. The Woodworking Fair. Los Angeles Convention Center, Los Angeles.

September 28-October 2. National Office Products Assn. Annual Convention & Exhibit. Hyatt Regency & McCormick Pl., Chicago.

October 13-15. Designer's Saturday. Member Shrms., New York.

October 20-22. CONEXION '83, First Annual Southeastern Contract Design Market. Altanta Market Center, Atlanta.

Novermber 9-10. CONTRACT/Facilities Design & Management Computer-Aided Space Design & Management Conference. Halloran House, New York.

Foreign Trade Shows 1983

April 14-17. International Show for K.D. Furniture. Le Bourget, Paris. May 1-5. Saudi Business '83. al-Dhiafa Exhibition Center, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

May 4-8. Scandinavian Furniture Fair 1983. Bella Center.

May 15-18. CONTEXT, London Home & Contract Textile Show. Earls Court, London.

May 18-25. STAR '83 International Exposition of Furnishings Textiles. Milan, Italy.

May 15-19. Interior Design International, International Contract Furnishings & Interior Design Exhibition. Olympia, London.

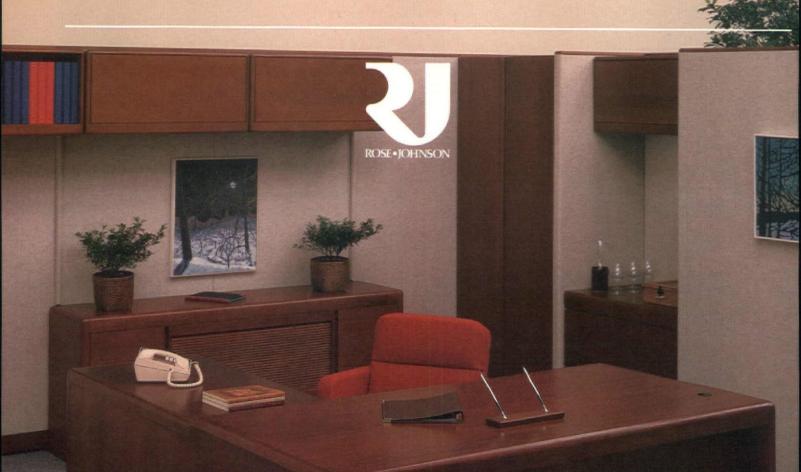
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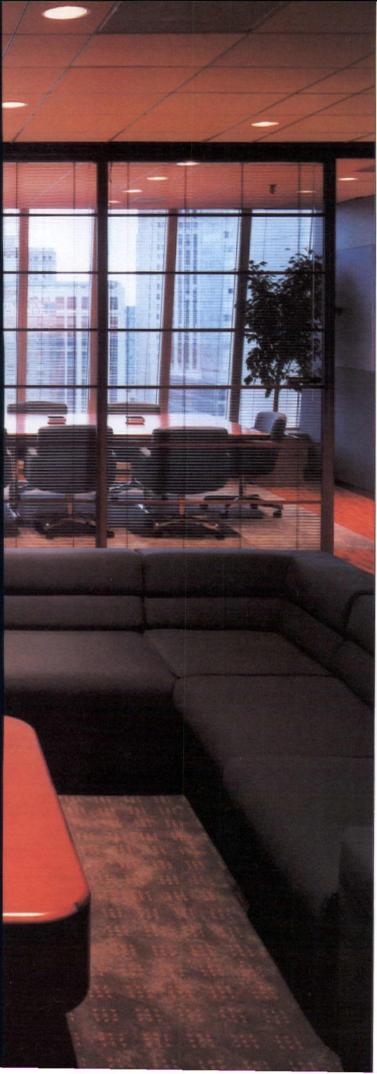
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Last 'Space' Frontier Is Issue Of Office **Productivity**

American businessmen and the architects and space designers involved in creating work environments are focussing their attention and efforts on the issue of office productivity. That is, for the moment, the last conquerable frontier in space design that will assure the economic well-being of business and the consuming public.

Paperless offices and electronic computers are but a reflection of the drive toward increased office efficiency. But until there are universally accepted means of measuring that productivity—other than kevstrokes at the secretarial level—the major thrusts remain: office flexibility, human comfort, and space efficiency. That is the conclusion drawn from responses of 500 members of the Institute of Business Designers in a survey conducted by Dennison National Company, a computer support furniture manufacturer.

This issue explores some of the productivity tools now at hand for the design community on the following

pages. THE EDITORS

HORIZONTAL EFFECTS DETRACT FROM AWKWARD LINEARITY



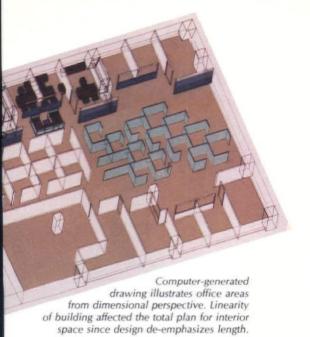
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he inherent problems of long, narrow office spaces have been counteracted in the Minneapolis offices of accounting firm Deloitte Haskins & Sells (DH+S) by horizontal banding, intersection of a reception/boardroom area, and stepped configuration of workstations in open plan settings.

"We had to create a sense of width," says Dan Fox, director, INSIDE, the interiors division of Ellerbe Associates Inc., designers of the space. A prime target for visual intersection is the reception area. Explains Fox of the treatment there, "We created a sense of place, as well as an illusion of depth, by positioning a transparent glass-walled boardroom directly behind the reception area to allow a view of the downtown skyline."

Custom mahogany tables and a U-shaped sofa give impact to the space. Acoustical baffling surrounds the boardroom to provide adequate sound insulation. Horizontal banding accents

Stepped open plan configuration (left) breaks up what otherwise could be monotonous space. Low-paneled secretarial stations (opp. page) are centered among each block of four managers' offices, creating spacious intervals along a narrow hallway. Glass walls surrounding offices provide daylighting while horizontal banding on glass brings unity to the total office space.



Wall-mounted fabric bands and stepped open plan configurations intersect long, narrow space at Minneapolis accounting firm





Secretarial stations interrupt long hallways

glass panels of the boardroom and acts as a cohesive factor throughout the offices while de-emphasizing length.

Secretarial clusters add depth

Secretarial stations positioned among executive offices effectively break up a line of windowed private spaces. This sawtooth layout creates an illusion of depth since panel heights at secretarial areas permit views beyond. Cluster groups around the station include two managers' and two partners' offices. Lining the eastern and western curtain walls, those offices have glass partitions to allow maximum daylighting of surrounding interior spaces.

A soft and rich color scheme selected for DH+S includes furnishings predominantly in mahogany, accented by muted blues and greens. Acoustical partitions are fabric-wrapped.

Describing the color palette, Fox says, "We had to choose a pleasing array of colors, suited to the Midwest, yet, a palette that would not be outdated in several years." Partners and managers chose furnishings and colors for individual offices according to pre-selected schemes presented.

Open plan is home base

Accountants who spend the majority of their time in the field are suited to open plan spaces which provide a "home base," according to Fox. Panel heights of 62 in. insure adequate privacy. The stepped configuration of paneled offices creates right angles in varying sequence to break monotony of space. A spacious feeling is created since panels are below line of sight when workers are standing.





Partners' offices like the one shown above are coordinated in muted color palette. Executives chose individual office settings from pre-selected colors and furnishings. Lounge grouping here could have been a small conference table and chairs. Credenza behind desk matches total setting with custom woodwork enhancing the look. Secretarial station as drawn on computeraided design equipment (left) shows break in hallway created by notched space. Low panels of workstation allow daylighting from glass-windowed executive offices.

SOURCES

Project director—Robert T. Wynkoop, Jr., NYSA, architectural services administrator, Deloitte Haskins & Sells; John Colwell, office manager, Deloitte Haskins & Sells. Interior design—Ellerbe Associates Inc.; Dan Fox, director, INSIDE, interior services division. Art consultant—Sowder & Leslie Inc. Sales, open plan installation coordinator—Alma Weisz, vice president, Contract Furnishings.

Open plan system—Conwed. Acoustical panel fabric—Guilford. Desks—Conwed,

Knoll International. Carpet—Milliken, Harbinger, Karastan. Seating—Sunar, Stow/Davis, Herman Miller. Custom tables, seating—Aaron Carlson. Upholstery—International Fabric, Boris Kroll. Signage fabricator—Haas Graphic Div. Inc. Parquet flooring—Kentucky Wood Floors. Wallcovering—Fabri-Trak. Reception seating—Brayton. Window treatments—Levolor. Executive task lighting—Alcko. Plants—Bachman's Inc. Visual display units—Nevers Oak. Planters, desk accessories—Glassform, Smith Metal Arts.



Architects & designers use color, light & layouts to help computer equipment corp. reduce staff turnover

henever an industry is booming and competition for highly trained employees is at its peak, working environment gains significance as a hiring tool. Such a trend can now be seen in the high-tech data communications field where creating "the working environment you'd never want to leave" is the challenge presented to space planners.

Employees of Codex Corp., leading manufacturer of data communications equipment, reap benefits of such an environment at the corporation's landscaped campus facility, Mansfield, Mass. In each of its five buildings, workers enjoy bright, spacious, colorful working environments tailored to the functions carried out within them, yet augmented by amenities and employee services.

Mansfield IV, a recently completed building housing manufacturing and administrative operations, was a departure for Codex in setting even higher esthetic levels than those previously in effect on the campus. Although quality standards for workstation size, finishes, and furnishings were carried over from Mansfield I, II, and III, the later structure also incorporated ambient lighting systems which improved the ergonomic level of work life at Codex.

In addition, Mansfield IV features a glass-enclosed cafeteria complete with plantings and a dramatic reflective ceiling. The expansive atrium overlooks the landscaped campus and is used for meetings and conferences as well as meals.

Architecture ties building to rest of campus

By the time Mansfield IV was planned in 1979, three other buildings were already in operation on the 40-acre site outside Boston. Mansfield II, the company headquarters building and an interim home for technical operations, had been sited

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in the most highly visible location on the campus.

As Codex grew, management recognized that a permanent space for technical staff had to be established. Management also wanted staff to find workspace an inducement to remaining with the firm. Thus, Mansfield IV, now a key element, but slated for an odd-shaped land parcel with an abutting property, required careful engineering, architecture, and design for the structure to have the impact desired by management, employees, and the planning team.

Architect Richard M. Kuchinsky, senior vice president, design/build architecture, The Aldrich Co., subsidiary, The Carlson Corp., evaluated site constraints and specified a triangular, saw-tooth structure. This configuration permits

Manufacturing and office areas (opp. page and below) feature matched finish colors. This design decision was part of an extensive color-coding program which helps link the expansive Codex facility and the wide range of functions housed within it.

maximum visibility of office and cafeteria space from the campus, while giving office employees greatest visual access to landscaped grounds. It also provides for generous parking space needed by the building's nearly 800 staffers.

Says Kuchinsky, "Codex places high priority on maintaining design cohesiveness from building to building. Therefore, the bricks used on Mansfield IV are the same as those on other campus structures with slight variation in shape. The glass-front, saw-tooth northern exposure faces the campus and adds tremendous impact to Codex property. Such placement also reinforces the concept of the corporation as a unified entity unto itself."

Matched finish colors link plant & office space

Primarily used for manufacturing, the 152,000-sq.-ft. structure contains 50,000 sq. ft. of offices on two levels. Because the building is designated as an "unlimited area" structure, planners were able to lower ceiling heights and



CODEX CORPORATION

'Ambient lighting improves working environment'-staff

specify one-third of total area as mezzanine.

Separating plant and office operations is a two-story service core in which are located common spaces such as training areas, toilets, food service, private offices, conference rooms, reproduction areas, and storage. On the mezzanine above the core are manufacturing offices which overlook the plant. Thus, the core serves to link the facility in form and function.

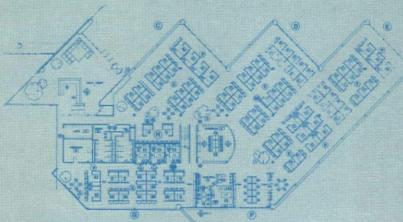
Also unifying the building is a strategic color-coding program developed by interior design firm Carol Fippen Inc. which identifies building areas by function. In the plant area, floors in workspaces are white-tiled while corridor floors are tiled in solid colors to identify means of egress and circulation patterns. Column bays, joints, beams, even the roof structure are painted and color-coded for serviceability.

Colors in office areas match those used in the plant and are augmented by graphics which also serve as directional signage. For employees, these elements are functional while creating a lively, exciting environment.

Because building planning was a collaboration of client, architect, and interior designers, a vast amount of information essential to space plans was known up front. For example, architects were aware ahead of time that offices were to be







the cafeteria (above) face into the campus. Large window walls bring natural light into offices and maximize visibility to these spaces from the campus.

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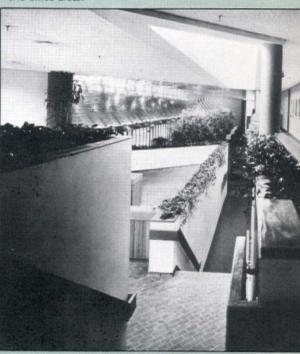
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Seating and End tables—Stendig. Fabric—Maharam. Reception desk—custom design by Carol Fippen Inc., fabricated by Westfield Woodworkers.

Carpet—Gulistan. Workstations—Westinghouse, supplied by Peabody Office Furniture. Signage and graphics—Carol Fippen Inc. Reflective ceiling—Alcan. Lighting—Westinghouse. Files—Steelcase. Cafeteria tables and chairs—Tuohy. Plants—City Gardens.

Architecture—Richard M. Kuchinsky, senior vice president-in-charge-of-design/build architecture; Peter Rogers, architect, project designer; William Galus, engineering manager; The Aldrich Co. Carl Quaglia, project manager,The Carlson Group. Interior design—Carol Fippen, principal-in-charge-of-design; Michael Hayes, project designer; Carol Fippen Inc.

Mezzanine level (below) houses offices of manufacturing operations administrators and permits visibility of both manufacturing areas and office areas.



open plan while designers knew exact workstation sizes for secretaries, technical workers, and professional staff.

As a result of this information, designer Carol Fippen suggested using an ambient lighting system that would generate high-intensity, generalized illumination at workstations while preserving the integrity of the ceiling structure. After workstation layouts were determined by designers, architects installed a 12- by 16-ft. junction box grid above the ceiling that provides "umbilical cord" service to workstations. Other ceiling penetrations are limited to recessed incandescent emergency lights, sprinkler systems, and variable air flow HVAC diffusers

Says Fippen, "Use of ambient lighting was a departure for Codex. Essentially, it was a gamble that worked. We've now heard that Codex employees request offices in Mansfield IV and that the lighting is one reason why."

Another benefit of good client/planner communication was freedom from rigid budget constraints. Explains Kuchinsky,

"We knew the approximate cost of the building would be \$30 to \$40 per sq. ft., since building materials and interior finishes were predetermined. Therefore, we were given relatively free rein while planning and building.

"As it turned out, the project's cost, without furnishings purchases, was approximately \$35 per sq. ft. Thus, our estimates were definitely in the ballpark."

In addition, because architecture protects the structure from direct glare on eastern and western exposures, the client benefits from lowered HVAC costs. Adds Kuchinsky, "In high-density manufacturing facilities like Mansfield IV, the emphasis is on cooling, not heating. Two vaulted skylights illuminate the concourse that runs through the dining space and separates visitor and employee entrances. Vaults are oriented eastward and, therefore, protect against heat build-up generated by southern exposure. Combined results of these factors is minimized solar heat gain during the day and the greatest possible amount of glare-free natural light.

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Eye Problems May Be Cause Of CRT User Productivity Limits

Along with ergonomically correct environment, lighting, and furniture, corrected vision may drastically reduce CRT user complaints

by MELVIN SCHRIER, O.D., P.C.

ince 100 million CRTs (cathode ray tubes or computer screens) will be in use by the turn of the century, according to one estimate, the potential for productivity loss due to ergonomic deficiencies in the working environment is staggering. Because there is a growing number of physical complaints by CRT operators using upwards of 10 million CRTs, furniture and furnishings manufacturers have made strong efforts to ergonomically improve workstation environments to aid users.

While efforts have been concentrated on the physical design of chairs, desks, keyboards, and screens, few attempts have been made to "solve" specific problems relating to rapidly increasing visual complaints. In effect, basic causes of these complaints and loss of productivity are more accurately being attributed to unsolved visual problems and poor lighting practices—the "human and lumen" components.

Visual and lighting problems of CRT users are associated with work tasks and vary with the degree of visual involvement of computer operators.

Such tasks include the following:

DATA ENTRY—A routine, high speed task requiring no independent thinking. From a visual point of view, it is "document intensive." The operator is required to read information on cards or other sources of information, usually a form, and enter this data into the CRT via a keyboard. Visually, the operator



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must clearly and efficiently see information on a desktop, the keyboard, and, when necessary, the screen.

DATA ACQUISITION—A less routine task with some decision making that is "screen intensive." Typical of jobs requiring this type of input is that of the insurance claims clerk, who has to match information from a claim form with information already in the computer. This visual task needs clear and comfortable vision at screen distance—usually about 23 in.—and at screen height—usually right in front of the operator's face.

WORD PROCESSING—This task also is a document and screen job. Secretarial use of CRTs makes this a visually intensive job which requires long hours spent in front of a CRT screen by the typical word processor. Law firms,

newspapers, and other technical offices require continuous use of word processing electronic equipment. Operators of these instruments, while not doing dull, routine jobs on the CRT, spend long hours using their eyes in copying documents or continually monitoring the screen. Consequently, it is imperative that their eyes, when needed, are properly corrected for the job.

INTERACTIVE COMMUNICATION— This appears to be the least boring and creates the least number of complaints relating to CRT tasks. A travel agent is typical of this category of CRT use. Visually, the operator is not bound to the instrument for long periods of time. The operator uses the CRT to check airline schedules and prices, and, consequently, needs to focus on the screen for short periods throughout the day. This is not a visually intensive job, but, as in all aspects of CRT use, vision of the operator must be up to par, so even short periods of use will be comfortable and complaint-free.

PROGRAMMING—Because this job is done by professionals dedicated to the CRT, fewer complaints are usually heard. Interest level generally is high, so many programmers often overlook visual problems that may cause headaches, visual or general fatigue, or inability to comfortably use eyes for driving, television viewing, reading, or hobbies after a day at the computer.

Most visual complaints arise with those doing data entry or data acquisition work. Job satisfaction presumably is low, because this type of employee generally has been moved from an ob-

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solete job or has been trained exclusively for this function. Exposure to daily routine and high-speed visual tasks, thus, can create visual stress in an employee whose eyes may not have been corrected for the job function.

Complaints are worldwide

One of the reasons for the recent rash of complaints by CRT operators is the large mass of employees who have entered the field to do the more routine tasks as more and more computers are put on stream. Complaints have been gathered and appear to be similar from all parts of the world.

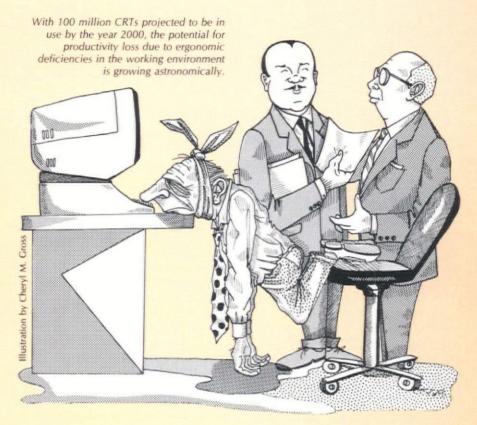
A survey by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) confirmed the worldwide findings. It categorized 59 separate health complaints of CRT operators in the course of a year.

They include muscular, visual, psychological, gastrointestinal, and cardiovascular complaints, among others. One health complaint was significantly more frequent—eyestrain or sore eyes common to CRT operators.

These complaints have been categorized into four general groups: BEHAVORIAL, which manifest themselvs as awareness of eyes during visual tasks and concerns over "cataracts," "X-rays," and "ultra-violet rays." SYS-TEMIC, which include headaches in the frontal and occipital areas, both vision areas of the brain, and neck and shoulder aches. OCULAR, including such problems as "eyes feeling heavy, tense, uncomfortable, tender, and aching." And VISUAL problems, such as fixation and seeing difficulties at the end of the day; inability to watch TV or movies in the evening; color fringes; blurriness; and double vision.

Of the visual complaints listed, 75 percent were ocular and visual, emphasizing the heavy visual involvement in the use of CRTs.

The "20/20" test is nothing more than the ability to see clearly at 20 feet and, as such, has no significant role in CRT operation. More important skills per-



taining to CRT operations other than distance visual acuity are:

- NEAR POINT VISUAL ACUITY—the ability to see clearly and efficiently at reading distance, usually about 16 in. for an adult.
- BINOCULARITY—the normal, expected way eyes function, both eyes seeing and working together comfortably and efficiently. Since humans see with their brains, images brought to the occipital area should normally fuse into one. If there is difficulty in fusing, the person may see double and be completely uncomfortable and unable to function properly.
- CONVERGENCE—the ability of the eyes to point at the target at which they are looking. With CRTs, the eyes must point to documents being copied, the keyboard, the screen, and back and forth to each continuously. Inability to do this comfortably and efficiently will cause major problems and complaints from CRT operators.

- ACCOMMODATION—the ability of the eyes to focus during various functions of the CRT operation. Accommodation is especially affected by age. Such problems manifest themselves as "arms being too short" when the operators age is in the 40s. Convergence and accommodation work in tandem with each other.
- OCULO-MOTOR SKILLS—are many skills that describe eye posture and movements, and eye-hand coordination, all of which are used continuously in CRT operations.

In addition to good lighting that eliminates veiling reflections, it is apparent that CRT operators must have good total visual skills in order to contribute to CRT productivity. That means not only ergonomically designed furniture, furnishings, and lighting, but properly corrected eyes. The latter is often overlooked and can be the source of much increased productivity and satisfaction for the CRT operator.

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Efficient Building Program Yields Planning Cost Payback

Energy-saving, budget-conscious architecture & design earn thrifty image for Illinois Department of Agriculture

ntipathy toward "Big Government" has stimulated public concern for government building design efficiency. As a result, planners of official buildings now aim to create functional, goodlooking workspaces that can be cited for thrift and budget-consciousness.

Illustrative of this trend is the \$12 million Illinois Department of Agriculture office and laboratory complex-a solar-powered structure designed to substantially reduce the State's energy expenditures.

Further savings are achieved with an open landscape design concept that provides employees with services needed to complete job tasks without frills, maximizes natural light for reduced electrical consumption, and simplifies future workstation additions while lowering the amount of furnishings purchases that will be needed by the department at a later date.

Energy savings payback

Located on the Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, the complex houses all state and administrative personnel connected with agribusiness—an industry generating \$30 billion annually. Staffers use the facility to regulate and inspect agricultural products and to develop research and educational programs supportive of state agribusiness.

Dual demands of administrative and laboratory personnel split planning responsibilities between architects and interior designers. Architects were responsible for structural elements, the solar collection system, and labs. Offices and public spaces were designers' responsibilities.

Among challenges facing architect Robert Larson of Illinois firm The Loewenberg/Fitch Partnership, P.C. was provision of stringent ventilation, temperature, and safety controls required in lab spaces. As anticipated design costs for these areas reached the \$200 per sq. ft. mark, planners realized "paybacks" had to be inherent in building design to make the project cost-effective.

By setting the triangular, 157,000sq.-ft, structure in the lee of a hill, architects were able to use the earth to insulate the building on its western facade. Entrances and windows were recessed and double-glazed to protect the building from wind and direct sunlight. This measure enabled architects to specify generous window expanses that cut electrical output normally needed to illuminate a building.

Design adapts to growth

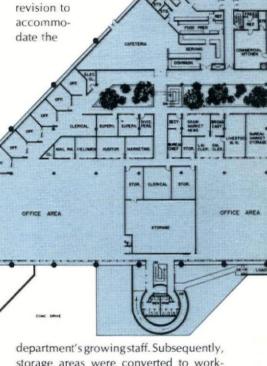
Engineering firm Ralph Hahn & Assoc., Springfield, III., helped develop the complex solar collection system. Upon review, it was determined

that the system could cut heating, hot water, and cooling costs by 43, 70 and 23 percent respectively. Based on this data, the U.S. Department of

Energy granted the State \$550,000 to implement the system-half its total cost.

Once architects' tasks were completed, a separate budget for office and public space planning was established. Chicago interior design firm Designs Unlimited worked closely with the architects to coordinate exterior and interior motifs and to develop a concept maximizing benefits of the solar collection system.

Project designer Kathleen Peters and firm principal Susan Smallman surveyed employees to determine workstation storage areas were converted to workspace to make room for new employees.



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Survey

Colors link form and function

To bring the structure's triangular shape inside, designers selected GF Business Equipment's panel-post workstation system. Each post is used as many times as possible in a layout that mimics the triangle. As a result, one panel forms the basis for a workstation cluster and saves on furnishings cost. Woodgrain laminate worksurfaces ease



building's perimeter

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walls unobscured.

Since panels are not ceiling height,

sightlines from

workstations to

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"Everyone benefits

from the space's

bright, airy ambience," adds

in building design was the establishment of a decor relating to agriculture. Says Kathleen Peters, "Because the facility is open to tour groups, we felt it essential that decor reflect function and, thereby reinforce the importance of agribusiness to the state."

Colors are nature's palette—those of the sun, earth, and water. Green panel exteriors, woodgrain laminate work surfaces, and blue seating and panel trim conform with the theme.

In addition, large window expanses bring in views of landscaped grounds Peters.

Because the Department of Agriculture experienced significant growth as the building was planned, designers specified standard furnishings finishes and sizes, thus simplifying and cutting the cost of later purchases. In addition, panels are both acoustical and tackable, enabling the agriculture department to order one panel for both purposes as need dictates.

"No frills" approach cuts costs

As an added bonus, private offices are located within the open plan setting of the division they serve. This design decision correlates with the state's belief that growing staff numbers will increase the private spaces. Although panels separating these offices are substantially higher than those dividing workstations, they are interconnected with panel posts supporting open offices. This layout enables staffs to easily convert open plan to private spaces as the department changes. Says Peters, "Furnishings specs were based on current employee need. Frills can always be added later. But staffers receive those services that contribute to a productive working environment without exorbitant costs—bright colors, natural light, and a cheerful atmosphere."

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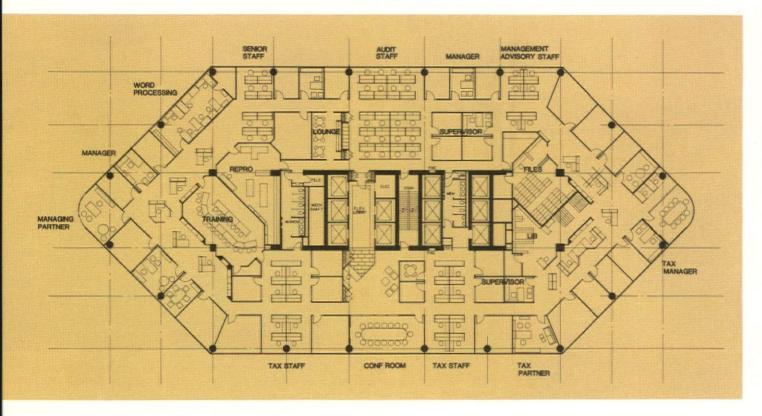
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DESIGN RANKS HIGH IN RECRUITMENT CRITERIA

Rookie accountants look favorably upon firms with well-designed offices



ith hard competition for recruits the rule in the world of accounting, Arthur Young & Company strives to attract the best and most competent young professionals. To compete effectively the firm demands high-quality design not only for image, but as a draw to young accountants.

"'Where will I sit?' is a common question of rookie accountants as they consider a potential employer," explains Burt Richmond, chairman of the board, RMM, the design firm contracted for this Denver installation. "Top accounting firms realize the importance of good work environments for even the newest staff members."

Richmond, project director, recognized the desirability of window adjacency, as well as fulfillment of departmental needs. He suggested appointing a representative task force from Arthur Young to review design factors. "It was a democratic procedure," says Richmond of his successful venture. "The representative

group was fully informed of design criteria, and there were no disappointments or surprises." Each constituent represented needs and desires of departmental colleagues.

Windowless space accepted

Mid-managment gave up traditional window offices to allow staff accountants significant daylighting in open plan environments. Supervisor offices sans windows were glass-walled on one side to face related departments.

A glass-enclosed conference room is set behind the main reception area for a continuing view through to the exterior, creating a striking effect upon entry. Building configuration causes an irregular interior space but gives windowed facades on six sides. File room, library, and training center were planned according to existing angles, which add interest to the office layout.





Open plan workspace (left) was positioned adjacent to windows for maximum daylighting. Managers who gave up window offices have glass-walled spaces overlooking worker areas. Reception area (below) provides exterior views through conference room space.

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Interior design—RMM Denver; Burt Richmond, chairman of the board and project director. General contractor—Al Cohen Construction.

Carpet—Karastan. Wallcovering—Wolf-Gordon. Lighting—Columbia. Reception seating—Knoll International. Conference seating—Herman Miller. Conference table, credenza—Modern Mode. Executive desks, credenza—Hiebert. Secretarial chairs—Herman Miller. Staff workstations—Westinghouse System. Staff seating—GF Business Equipment. Secretarial files—Westinghouse System. Filing, library furniture—Lundia. Filing, overhead storage—GF Business Equipment. Education center seating—GF Business Equipment. Tables—Howe.





Six-sided layout, illustrated in floorplan (opp. page), shows angular interest created by learning center and library/file room.

Secretarial stations (left) have panels on two sides for privacy and noise control, yet are open on remaining sides to avoid a claustrophobic atmosphere.

NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD

How designers
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Editor's Note: This is the second article in a two-part series focussing on communications skills for architects and space planners. by Dr. Charlotte L.R. Schwab

nce learned, communications skills can be successfully applied to negotiations between client and designer. The same principles of observation—listening and expressing— that carry a job through to completion underlie negotiation procedures in the bid phase.

Learning to see, understand, and use negotiation skills involves correlating the time, energy, and cost of negotiating with goals and objectives. Remember, how you negotiate is more important than what you are negotiating.

Conflicts should never arise from needs merely because needs are different. Rather, through negotiation, the mutual satisfaction of needs can be realized. Both sides must feel that they have had their most important needs resolved; it is a win-win proposition. In broad terms, there are seven principles of negotiation as outlined in the Schwab Institute's "Successful Negotiation Strategies" seminar program:

- · Setting goals
- Power
- Information
- Communication
- Location
- Timing
- · Gender negotiation

The first principle, setting goals, is the what, or the content, of your negotiation. What are you after? Is the fee the most important need you have? If so, settle on a figure by raising your expectations. State the fee negotiation at least 20 percent higher than your expectation of what you will get.

Test your assumptions and always be ready to alter them. Be flexible in goal setting and re-setting. Be open to details and gradations of needs—your own as well as the other party's. Always save your major issue—goals—for the end of the process. Never advance it as a closed-end statement at the beginning.

For example, fee should always be left to the end of the negotiation proc-

ess. Similarly, an architect or designer should never present a design at the beginning of negotiation, but rather should introduce himself with a statement like, "I'd like to talk to you about your needs." By leaving any concessions to the end of the process and never making them too large, designers can observe the incremental rule.

Be sure to communicate sub-goals which you relate to the other party's needs. Sharing sub-goals is a question of knowing the specifics, gathering enough pre-negotiating information, using timing—what and when you communicate, as well as how.

Power: two kinds, four sources

Negotiation's second principle, power, is the ability to do, act, or exercise control over people, events, and self. There are two kinds of power: force and perception.

Force does not apply to negotiations. Perceived power, however, is an important principle for any negotiation. If we perceive we have power, we do indeed have it and can convey it.

If I am a new designer, for example, and I am not confident about my power to command interest and respect, I could undermine myself on the way to negotiation. On the other hand, I could visualize myself as having power—as being very confident to do the job and as the best and most creative designer.

That way, by the time I arrive at negotiation, I have engendered a sense of power in myself which I can communicate to the other party involved.

There are four sources of power:

- Competition
- Risk-taking
- Commitment
- Involvement

Competition is a very important source of power because others will want to hire you when they know that you are in demand. Make known that you are sought after. Always have more than one prospect on the line. Take advantage of the interest in contract design by keeping your options open and generating many alternatives to give

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yourself a sense of power.

Risk-taking is an important source of power. Train yourself to take calculated risks. If you don't risk, you don't get anything. For example, if you are a new architect or designer, you might take a reduced fee initially to show what you can do for a company.

Gain the commitment of your own team before negotiating any contract. Then, in the negotiation process, attempt to get commitments from the other side by asking such questions as, "Do you agree that this approach will satisfy your needs?

Part of the commitment process is building your own loyalty to a project. To accomplish this aim, be sure to get the facts and do your homework prior to entering any negotiation process. Preparation is 50 percent of success.

If you are negotiating with representatives of a corporation, in addition to obtaining as much information as you can about the individuals who will be involved, read their annual reports and speak to everyone you can about the company. Ask questions even when you think that you know the answers.

Women are afraid to look "dumb," while men feel that they are expected to know. Both do themselves an injustice by these attitudes.

Negotiate a setting

Where you negotiate is negotiable. Negotiate the place (your office, or the other party's) which gives you a sense of confidence but does not place you at a disadvantage. You may not want to be "trapped" on your own turf; you may want the freedom to leave.

On the other hand, if your own office is impressive, it may be wise to show it off. The usual negotiation stance, however, is to let the buyer be in the impressive setting role, with the seller deferring to the buyer in matters of location. This includes seating arrangements. Where possible, however, meet in a neutral setting.

However, don't put yourself at a disadvantage by being seated in a onedown position where you feel inferior. Remember, your perception that you have power gives you power. The point is to consider all parties involved and decide which is better for both of you.

Negotiation scheduling is important. If you aren't fully awake until noon, don't schedule breakfast meetings. On the other hand, if you are at your best before dawn, meet for breakfast. Most important to avoid is rushing the procedure at the start.

Negotiation is an incremental process like choreography. Don't let yourself be trapped into discussing bottom lines in the beginning or middle of the negotiation and beware of ending it too soon. Only you decide when it is over.

Similarly, you always can continue or re-open conversation. The question is, is it worth it to you? It is wise to let your partner(s) in the collaborative negotiation process believe that they made decisions. People like to select and think that they made decisions.

A virtually unknown, but important, aspect of negotiations identified by the Schwab Institute—is gender negotiation between parties.

Demographics in the business world are changing. Already, 50 percent of the labor force is women and the Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that the labor force will grow 25 percent by 1995, with women accounting for two-thirds of that growth. In some industries such as design, sales, finance, law, and retailing, the figures are more dramatic.

Men and women—and business in general—are confronting new problems for which old solutions don't work. Men and women need to acknowledge, understand, and deal with the fact that gender is a feature of all interpersonal communication and negotiation.

Gender negotiation has been developed into a seminar format at the Schwab Institute. As preparation for negotiation settings, it trains men and women to overcome gender role stereotypes and to behave in new ways which work to their advantage. Men and women learn to speak each other's language and to become more productive by negotiating more effectively.



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Space Condensed & Improved In Citizen's Open Plan Redesign

New facilities increase control of insurance files, boost employee morale & productivity in less space

by ANNE KRUEGER Contributing Editor

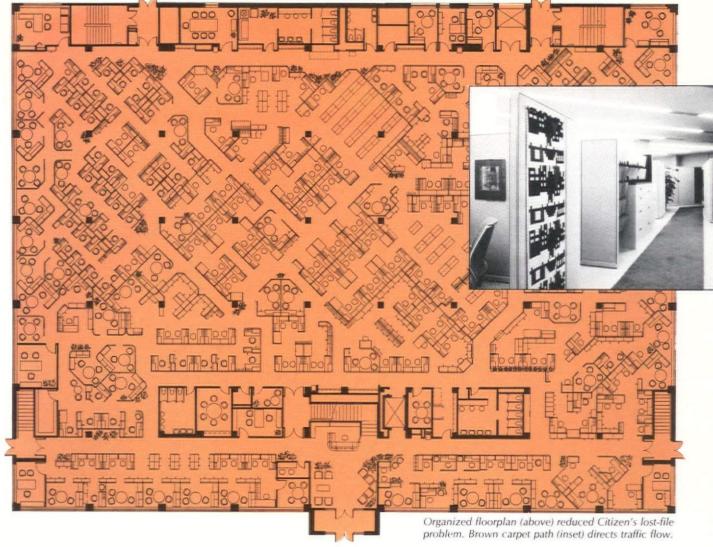
Relieving a crowded workspace and updating office procedures were two tasks successfully tackled by Corporate Innerspace, Ann Arbor, Mich. in the redesign of Citizen's Insurance, Howell, Mich. Employee productivity and morale—increasingly inhibited by a cramped and unattractive environment—and the discovery of numerous missing client files led Citizen's to search for a quick and financially sound design solution for its 1955 building.

The company considered three options: 1) constructing a new building, 2) building a second-floor addition to the existing structure, or 3) condensing the 45,000 sq. ft. of existing space. With Corporate Innerspace's recommendation, Citizen's opted for the less expensive but effective condensation of per person space and the rechanneling of inter- and intra-departmental paper distribution via a

Carpeting, fabric panels, and workstations reduce distracting activity and noise at Citizen's. After installation, employee productivity and morale increased considerably, while capacity of the two-story office space went up by 17 percent.



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controlled hub called the Commercial Processing Control Center (CPCC).

The latter was the brainchild of Citizen's methods department and controls filing, mail, and paper distribution. It also incorporates a mail delivery path which originates and terminates at the CPCC after passing perimeter mail and distribution stations. The result is a drastically reduced lost-file problem.

"You can imagine a 1955 building with linoleum floors and a 12-ft. steel pan ceiling," says Corporate Innerspace principal Gary Church in describing the project. "There was one big room filled with 250 people, desks and files. About 75 of those people were involved with typing, so you can imagine the din."

Condense with open plan

Steelcase 9000 furniture, carpeting and fabric panels to absorb the sound, and the color-coordinated CPCC increased employee productivity and morale ("They're even dressing better," a Citizen's VP told Church) while also increasing the capacity of the two-story office space by around 17 percent, Church says.

Originally, traditional offices lined the window perimeter of the two-story building. Part of the redesign involved removing walls and translating the space into the open-plan system being installed.

"We told management that moving into a modular environment might be a problem for those management people who had doored offices, "Church says. To solve that potential problem, taller 80-in. panels were used in perimeter spaces to provide more privacy, and a little more prestigious seating was installed, Church explains. Managers of different departments were relocated into perimeter offices, while all other employees were placed in open-plan offices on the inside.

Colors direct traffic flow

Dark brown carpeting was specified to direct the CPCC traffic flow. Taupe was used elsewhere. Wall paint was kept a conservative and neutral putty color but fabric panel colors vary according to department. For example, the CPCC color is green, auditing department uses yellow and orange, and the underwriting department is predominately blue, Church points out.

The transformation to the systems plan took place in eight phases, coordinated by Citizen's and Corporate Innerspace, with the cooperation of the Steelcase dealer and an independent installation group. "Each phase of the installation took place on weekends," Church said," so it never interfered with business hours."

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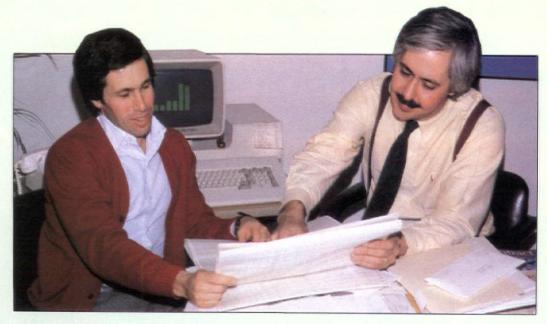
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Ounce Of Prevention Computerized In Furniture Ordering Methodology Up-to-the-minute status reports for furniture specifiers catch common snags in early stages & aid on-time delivery BY USER LEW << ROUGH LINE ITEM DISPLAY >> CREATED: 11/30/82 SHIP-TO ABEL ADVERTISING INC. 109051 ROUGH # 01-32965700 66A THIRD AVENUE ABEL ADVERTISING INC. ACCOUNT NEW YORK, NY 10017 66A THIRD AVENUE LEWIS ITKIN NEW YORK OI SALESMEN 12740 3 NET 15 DAYS CUSTOMER ORDER: TERMS: OUR TRUCK SHIP VIA: DELIVERY PROMISED: ASAP. 0 %...N MARK-UP/DOWN Y/N SHIP COM/ACTL-FRT ITEMS RENTAL/EXPIRES TOTAL ATT: MALLEE 3RD FLOOR DELIVERY R. PAM MARCUS 11TH FLOOR TAX 336.65 INSTALL(0) NSTALL(I) NEW YORK C FREIGHT 0.00 0.00 0.00 SUBTOTAL 0.00 0.00 0.00 28.55 0.00 300.60 0.00 8.25% 0.00 COST 0.00 0.00 0.00 CHARGED 0.00 0.00 INVOICED Z - BACK TO ZIP-ADDR OB. BACK TO NAME-ADDR KEY-IN A ROUGH # DISPLACTINE ITEMS EXIT TO MENU P.O. DISPLAY R - BACK TO CUST-ROUGH

Searching for ordering mistakes is simplified by checking consolidated information on computer print-outs. Items requiring further investigation are circled in red. A similar print-out is sent to clients as an update on order status.

very working day Lewis Itkin, president, The Itkins office furniture company, New York, sits at his desk with a red marker, circling items on stacks of computer print-outs. Those crucial red circles indicate potential problems in orders and deliveries such as product availability, improper specification, or missed ship dates. The extensive print-outs are a result of The Itkins' intricate computer tracking system.

Overnight printing of all sales orders processed each working day allows The Itkins' customer service department to check reports immediately. Once, when 10 chairs had been ordered and only nine entered in the computer, the mistake



Partners Leonard
Itkin (left) and Lewis
Itkin pour over
records of orders
processed on the
computer the
previous day. Both
company executives
have terminals in
their offices for
immediate access
to records.

was detected the following morning. The order was corrected with no time lost.

Lewis Itkins' partner Leonard Itkin, secretary-treasurer, spent nearly two years with a programming consultant and an IBM 34 system developing the firm's detailed software. The Itkins master menu of computer functions is an awesome display of programs.

"We're constantly updating the system—making it fit our needs," says Leonard Itkin. "At first, we wanted to buy a computer software program from a San Francisco furniture dealer. With a 3,000-mile distance separating us and making communications difficult, we decided to do it ourselves. And, we made sure certain elements were included that would be to our advantage."

While that seems only logical, The Itkins' program has evolved from giving the firm merely an advantage to giving them an exclusive program improving accuracy of ordering and follow-up.

Software adapts to needs

With the menu divided into several areas, The Itkins' computerization process gives information of general or specific nature according to needs of clients, salespersons, and management. For instance, an Itkin computer operator can call up an account number by client zip code and receive the firm's in-house number, order number, account number, and specifier's name for further information access. The Itkins' master menu can call up:

- · sales reports.
- · inventory inquiries.
- · purchase orders.
- tax area file.
- · booked sales.
- customer inquiries.
- delivery slip generation.
- special item purchase orders.
- · invoicing.
- credits.
- · sales commissions.

A typical Itkin order includes information such as account number, shipping location, terms, delivery date, salesperson, customer order, ship method, mark-up, installation, cost, customer charges, and invoice amount.

Further programming allows the computer operator to call up detailed information on items ordered. That includes manufacturer's name and model number, purchase order number, descriptions, number of items ordered, quantity received, and quantity invoiced. The purchase order screen can be called up to yield shipping information.

Clients check orders

Perhaps the most innovative aspect of The Itkins' computer capabilities is the generation of computer print-outs for client information. Clients receive continual updates on orders via computer processing. "Customers love it," reports Lewis Itkin, whose share of management responsibilities is primarily sales-oriented. "Status reports for our clients eliminate surprises. Clients know exactly what state an order is in and they are aware of any pitfalls in the process. If a COM order will not be available within the time frame they require, the option is there to change the order before it's too late."

Proving invaluable to sales reports and accounting data, the computer can compile instantly information on customer credit, payment schedule, and total purchasing history by amount and manufacturer. The menu also allows generation of sales reports for commissions, depreciation, and taxes.

New era at establishment

The Itkins' computer expertise is a far cry from the days nearly 50 years ago when the founders pushed dollies along Madison Avenue trolley tracks making furniture deliveries and seeking new customers. Lewis Itkin and Leonard Itkin, cousins forming second-generation management, have brought a high-tech approach to the family business. Maintaining annual sales of more than \$10 million, The Itkins have Madison Avenue headquarters, a sprawling Manhattan warehouse, a fleet of trucks, and a staff of 60. Local advertising campaigns have generated great attention.

Not quite ready to market software for the intricate programs they have developed to aid business and keep clients content, The Itkins continue to upgrade their own capabilities. They have cut errors to a minimum and can provide order information for specifiers in a matter of seconds or minutes on the computer.

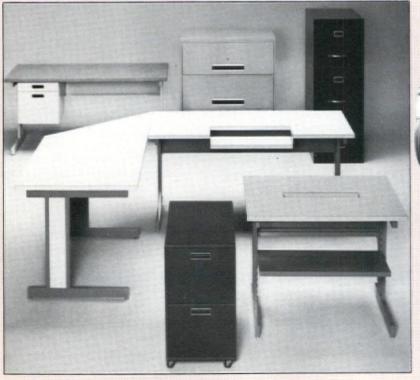
OPEN PLAN DOMINATES OFFICE FURNITURE MARKET

Seating intros & updates add variety to traditional looks



Invincible

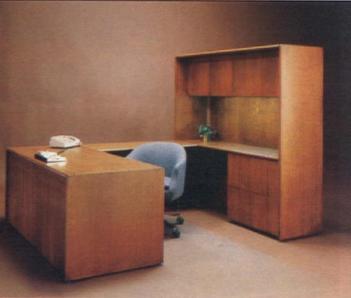
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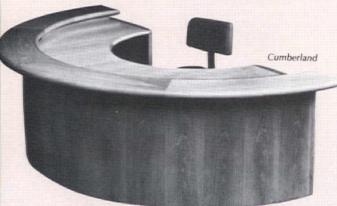
Knoll

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Edward Axel Roffman



Magna Design





Cramer—"WorkScreen" panels create immediate space division and privacy without permanent modifications to existing office. Connectors provide solid walls of colors without intrusion of poles or aluminum frames. Rounded upholstered edges harmonize with existing furniture.

Circle No. 212.

Invincible Metal Furniture Co.—A wide range of colors is now available for office products in metal constructions. A variety of files, printer stands, workstations, and desks are offered. Circle No. 327.

Knoll—"Stephens Office System" seating consists of an operational chair, management chair, universal task chair, and high-backed executive chair. Softness in look and feel is achieved by separate back, arms, and seat pieces, all independently adjustable.

Circle No. 252.

EOC—"Sparta" stacking chairs have deep-cushioned construction and individually replaceable seats, backs, and legs. Varied finishes are available. Circle No. 274.

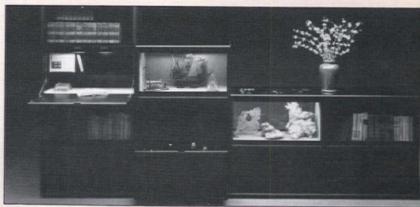
GF Business Equipment— "Open Plan System" includes components designed for computer-support and electronic applications. Splitheight worksurfaces are offered. Circle No. 240.

Edward Axel Roffman—"56 Modular Office System" consists of credenzas, with standard or legal-size file drawers, and desks available with or without upper structures. Optional returns bridge desk and credenza. Circle No. 267.

Cumberland—Modular reception desk group, available in a variety of configurations, offers a mid-height, 32-in. ledge. Desks are available in oak and walnut. Circle No. 242.

Magna Design—"Verispanel" is a free-form enclosure to surround any workstation, conference area, or noisy space. Curved panels stand alone. Circle No. 358.

Atelier International—"Hilton System" functions as a wallmounted or freestanding credenza in the executive suite. Cabinets hold lateral files and materials. Circle No. 238.



Atelier International

Built-in locks are standard security

Pace—"7400 Arco" desks are part of sculptured glass line from Fiam of Italy. Glass is used for complete structure; table supports rest on lacquered rods. Circle No. 359.

Artec—Mahogany furniture system features Remote Centra, a central locking system with concealed cables that unite the locking mechanisms of pedestals and overhead cabinets to one lock cylinder. One key locks up to six storage units. Circle No. 245.

Reff—"System 55" is a fully acoustical wood office system with electrical raceway bases and facilities to accommodate EDP work systems. Wide range of veneered components allows flexibility.

Circle No. 253.

Samsonite—Low-back executive tilt/swivel chair is part of the "6200 Series" designed by Robert/Bernard Associates. Articulated shell allows continuous support with flexible back movement. Cantilevered arms are constructed of resilient, self-skin urethane molded over steel. Circle No. 319.

Procaccino—Credenza, made of Finnish or natural birch with laminate finish, is available in five sizes. Combined with 14and 28-in. components, it offers many options. File drawers accept letter and legal-size folders. Circle No. 270.

Luminaire Contract—Add-on components permit user to complete open plan configurations as needs arise. Large inventory allows immediate shipment. Open plan workstations and storage units are shown. Circle No. 332.

Harmon—Open panel system with raceway provisions for pre-electrification comes in freestanding or suspended types. Panels have oak hardwood caps and are available in many styles. Circle No. 244.

Stow/Davis—"Moving Chair" has back and arms that move with the user while the seat remains stationary. It is available in mirror chrome or black-fused epoxy on steel with walnut, maple, or upholstered arms. Circle No. 226.

Harvard Interiors Manufacturing Co.—"610" clerical posture chair model is offered as part of a full series of office seating. Free-form armrests are designed for use at EDP consoles, terminals, desks, and workstations. Circle No. 331.





Corry Jamestown—Pedestal

System accommodates EDP

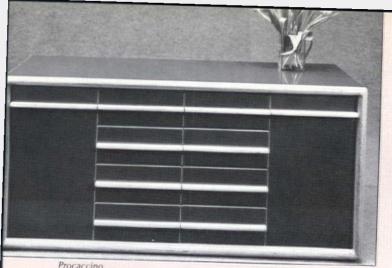
printouts as well as legal, A2, or letter-size folders. "2000

System" and "1000 Series"



are offered in 30-, 24-, and 18-in. depths, all in standard desk and typing heights equipped with built-in locks. Circle No. 229.





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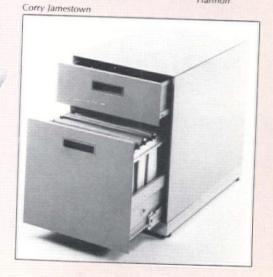
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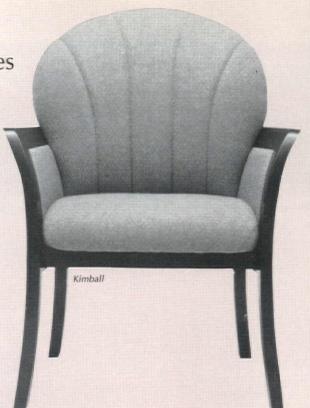


OFFICE FURNITURE/FURNISHINGS

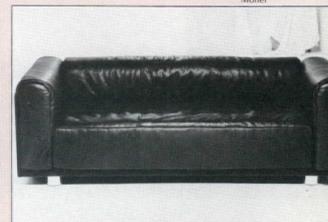
Upholstery, cushions soften seating lines



Haworth

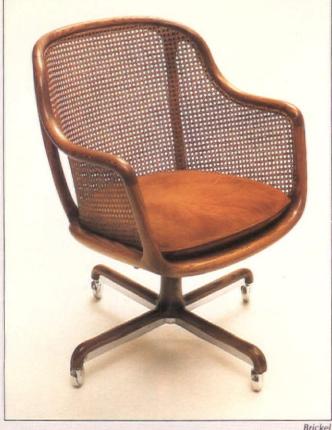


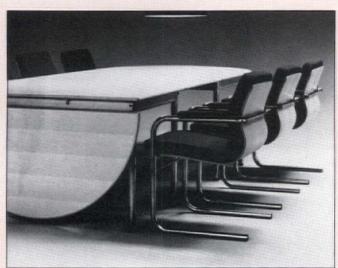
Monel



Madison







Domore



Haworth—TriCircuit ERA-1™ prewired panels and UniTex™ electronic support worksurfaces are especially designed for automated offices. Three electrical circuits are standard and are programmable according to power needs. Interconnecting phone and terminal lines may be accommodated in a separate internal raceway. Circle No. 318.

Kimball-"Stellans Collection" has channeled-back and smooth-back, models, with or without arm panels. Offered in walnut and mahogany frames, the chairs are available in wool, nylon, and leather upholsteries. Circle No. 246.

Artopex-Modular filing system's AS-60 handle softens the hard-edged look of steel. Numerous color combinations from 20 standard colors complement open office system furniture. Circle No. 213.

Monel—"Living" modular lounge series is available in armchair, settee, and threeseat sofa components. Also offered are left- and rightfacing arm elements for extra-long seating unit or angular configuration. Seat has hardwood body. Outer shells are made of molded plywood upholstered with polyurethane foam and Dacron overlays. Circle No. 268.

Madison-"Ergonomic Executive Range" is offered in highand low-back models with posture and swivel-tilt controls. Mechanism allows isometric adjustment to natural movement of user.

Circle No. 204.

Brickel-Natural-oiled ash chair has caned back and arms and semi-attached, knife-edge seat cushion. Pedestal has tiltswivel with profile casters. Chair is carved wood on mirror-plated steel base. Circle No. 233.

Domore—"Series 2R Table/ Desk Seating System" provides design flexibility throgh a system of drop panels and interleaves. Complementary conference side chairs are available with legs or sled base. Circle No. 235.

Redco Manufacturing, div. LHL—Table has laminate top with oak wood edge and chrome cylinder base. Tops are offered in various colors and sizes. Circle No. 317.

Hiebert-"Option Two" series executive "L" desk has standard inlaid top and return surface. Flush return is 55-in. long with three pedestals. A 43-in. drop is available with one pedestal. Circle No. 249.

Brayton-Dimension chairs have upholstered 231/2-in. wide bolted to frames made from mirror chrome or antique bronze-plated rectangular tube. Model variations include leg base, sled base, tilt/swivel, low, medium, and high back. Circle No. 201.



Brayton



OFFICE FURNITURE/FURNISHINGS

Ganged seating suits lounges

Smokador—"Modu Plus 6000 Series," an accessory system for open offices, has units 7-in. deep for use on desk tops and panels. Units are available in 10 colors. Circle No. 225.

Thonet—"X"-frame chair has arm and back section made of solid, steam-bent wood. Frame is tubular steel and the seat frame combines steel and wood. Chair is available upholstered or with cane seat. Circle No. 271.

Alma Desk—Swiss-engineered, ergonomic "Zucomat Seating System" responds to user's movements and reduces fatigue. Chairs are available in nine models. Circle No. 221.

Hauserman—"Privacy Panel System" offers 75-in. glazed panels to allow executive auditory privacy without limiting visual communication. Panel-suspended components include overhead binder storage and task-level filing and drawer units with oak veneer fronts and tops. Circle No. 217.

Vecta Contract—"FS Series" has added a matching fabric boxing for high-back and manager chairs. Series provides constant lumbar support as the user changes positions. Circle No. 227.

Krueger—"Dorsal" seating system, available in black, sand, and amber, includes operational and stack chairs in fabric or leather upholstery. Circle No. 209.

Helikon—"Quorum" chair is set on a swivel base with rolling casters, and has a ribboned wood frame that curves from back arm to front. Shown with tufted leather upholstery, chair is also available in other fabrics or COM, and in mahogany, walnut, or ash in several finishes. Circle No. 211.

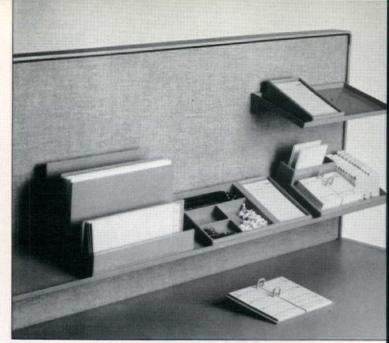
AGI—"Cascade," a multiple seating unit is offered in a one-, two-, three, and four-seat version, lending an interesting treatment to lobbies, offices, or waiting areas.

Circle No. 263.

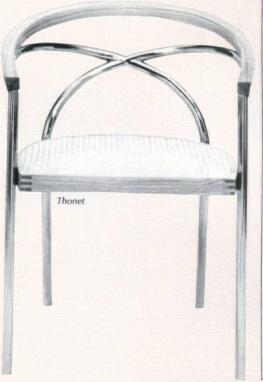
Rudd International—Expansion of this line moves the "Cyborg Program" into executive and conference seating. Fingertip pneumatic adjustment is standard.

Circle No. 310.

Precision—"System 9" open plan office system features acoustical panels in various fabrics including Design Graphics as well as straight and curved transparent panels. Circle No. 222.



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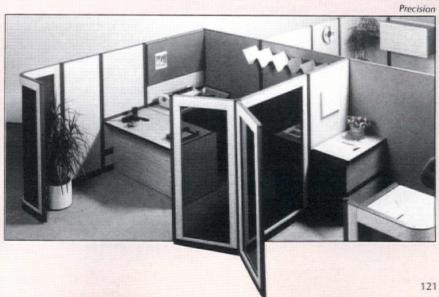
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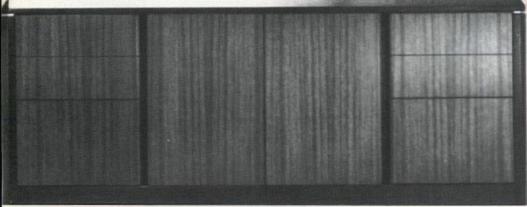
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Frames give chairs sleek look



Acoustical Screens

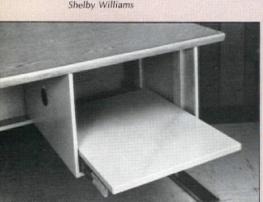
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Dyrlund



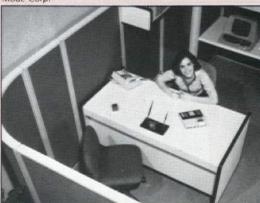
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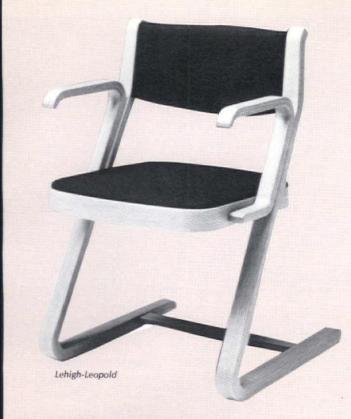




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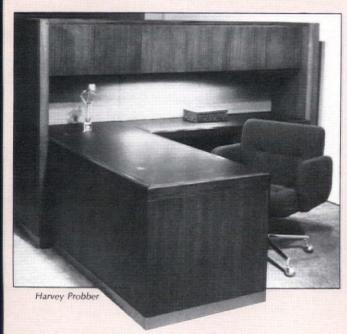








Office Suites Inc.



Hardwood House—"Bevel Collection" offers executives desks, credenzas, conference and occasional tables, seating, bookcases, and storage components, available in a variety of sizes and finishes.

Circle No. 266.

Rosewood desk from **Dyrlund** of Denmark is completely finished inside and out. Drawers are solid rosewood with finished interiors and glass sheet over center extension. Line is available through Euster Associates Inc., Armonk, N.Y. **Circle No. 372.**

Shelby Williams—Arm chair has continuous bentwood frame and foam-padded spring seat. Dimensions are 25½-in. by 25½-in. by 33-in.

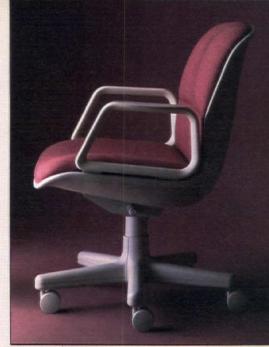
Circle No. 228.

Eagle-CFS—Universal electronics module for component storage in computerized offices is made of 16-gauge formed steel and comes in black, blue, neutral, brown, and tan. Electrical cables feed through pre-punched openings in rear. Circle No. 203.

Acoustical Screens Corp.— Interact™ system contains totally integrated workstations with panels, desks, files, and storage. Dual executive workstation is shown. Solid hardwoods, veneers, metallic bases, and various fabrics allow system coordination. Circle No. 361.

Kron—Cini Boeri designed model 153 for lounge or office seating. Two-seater may be upholstered in top-grain leather. Company now serves U.S. market with a Ft. Lauderdale manufacturing facility. Circle No. 360.

Mode Corp.—"Profile 80" series of panels, system furniture, and seating is offered in complementary styles and finishes. Panels have variable hinge connectors for easy layout changes. Furniture is made of double post-formed lami-



All-Steel

nated worksurfaces, freestanding or panel supported. Circle No. 313.

Lehigh-Leopold—"Zeta" cantilevered side chairs, available with or without arms, have classically styled sled bases. Laminated wood is available in rift-cut oak or American black walnut veneer. Upholstery is selected from the Litton Textiles collection.

Office Suites Inc.—Clean, simply-designed "Astro Series" consists of table desks, executive desks, and credenzas. Series is offered in oak or walnut with bases in mirror chrome, antique brass, or clear

acrylic. Circle No. 214.

Circle No. 239.

Harvey Probber—"Bankers Series" is constructed of mahogany solids and veneers with antique bronze inserts, framing leather, and bronze pulls. Workstations may stand alone or clustered. Double-wall construction permits unlimited concealed wire management within the unit.

Circle No. 308.

All-Steel—Ergonomic series called "Penta 200" is constructed with built-in lumbar support in molded outer shell. Executive posture chair (shown) has tilt-swivel control. Circle No. 206.

OFFICE FURNITURE/FURNISHINGS

Leather upholstery inserts enrich desks, chairs, lounge groupings

Steelcase—"Elysee" sofa line, available in straight settee, corner settee, and hassock, is suitable for reception and office areas. Tubular steel construction is over-molded with flexible polyurethane. Cushions are polyurethane foam encased in slipcovers. Line is available in more than 300 upholstery materials.

Circle No. 220.

Circle No. 273.

Conwed—"Series 2100/2200" radius-style desks are available in natural, medium, or English oak finishes with palomino laminate or matching veneer tops. Desks feature a recessed approach panel and full complement of drawer configurations and return options.

Tiffany Stand—"400 Series" connectors bring together individual tasks into one work station. One-in. particle board is covered with mar-, stain-, and burn-resistant laminate. Modesty panel is standard. Circle No. 247.

Executive Furniture—"Electra Series" is offered in walnut veneer with matching high-pressure laminate top. Drawers have steel ball-bearing suspensions with full extension file drawers. Locks are standard. Circle No. 218.

Harter—"3700 Series" includes color-coordinated bases, columns, and arms, gas lifts on stenos, operators' chairs and arm tilters, hidden "finger-tip" back adjustment, and fabrics in 42 colors.

Circle No. 207.

IFS—Articulated seating with solid cushion to prevent cross-pleating is available in leather and neutral fabrics. Chair has brake system and air canisters. **Circle No. 230.**

Intrex Inc.—The "Forma" group by DeSede of Switzerland is a series of sofas with rounded contours. Tight leather strips accentuate lines. Beech frame supports layer of foam. Circle No. 324.

Inotec—Workstations feature electronically adjustable VDT stands, worksurfaces, and connecting units from the "EDP 2100 Series." Pedestals are from the "Synercube 9000 System." Circle No. 243.

American Seating—Onepiece, molded, antler-like arms of the "Biochair" do not restrict leg and body movement. Arms are constructed of glass-reinforced "Rynite" 530 thermoplastic polyester resin. Circle No. 219.

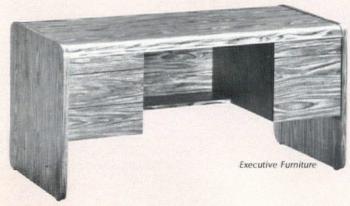
Rubbermaid Commercial Products—"Designer II" series of desk accessories offers letter trays in both letter- and legal-sizes with stacking options. Five color choices are available. **Circle No. 323.**





Tiffany Stand



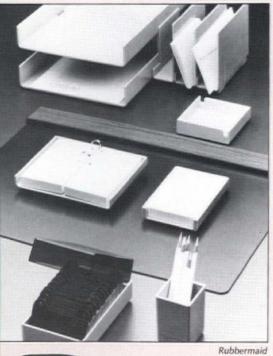


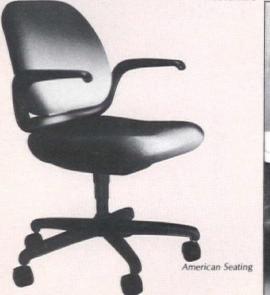
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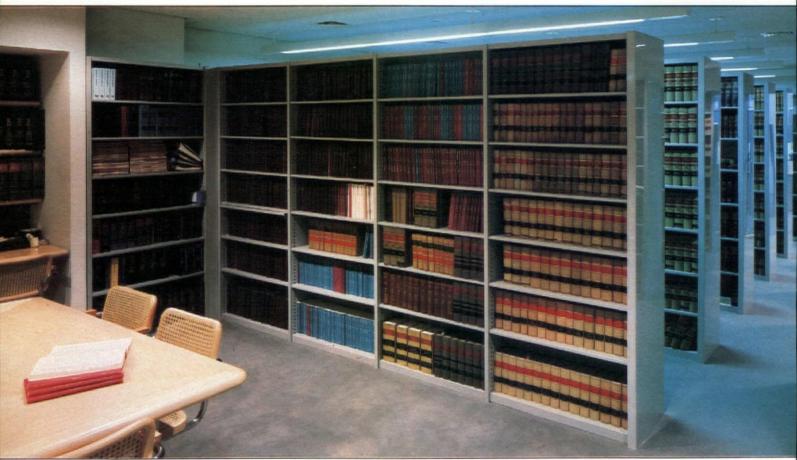


Library Furnishings Adapt to Growth

With Emphasis on Modular &

Electrical options add light & power access

Space-Saving Units



Adjustable Steel Products

Circle No. 294.

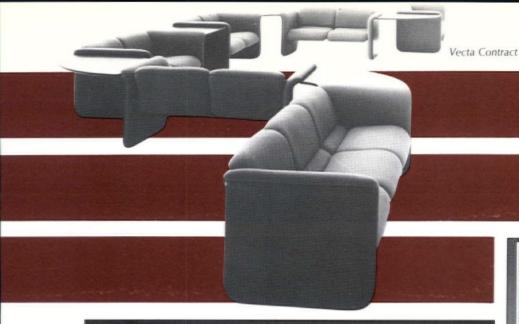
Adjustable Steel Products—Stacks constructed of steel, with reinforced shelves, are able to handle 50-lb.-per-sq.-in. loads. Various panels, sizes, and post finishes are available options.

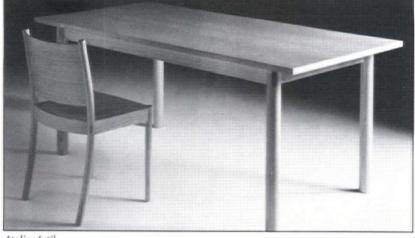
Circle No. 293.

Kinetics—Unit designed for youth areas consists of 36-in. diameter table with four stools custom fitted to table base. Various top materials are offered with table base and stools in 17 colors.

Kinetics







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Atelier Int'l.



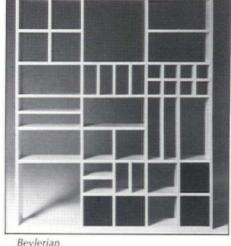


Gregson



Vecta Contract—"Wilkhahn 84" series consists of fully upholstered one-, two-, and three-section sofas which can be joined with connecting tops to form various arrangements. Lacquered Finply end panels are offered in 16 colors. Circle No. 281.

Atelier Int'l.—Designed by Werther Toffoloni, the "Uni" table is available in three models and 27 variations. Table tops offered are beechwood veneer or



Beylerian

Cramer

natural particleboard with various base finishes. Complementing "Uni" chair (shown) completes the collection.

Circle No. 285.

Beylerian—"Polvara" modular shelving system is made of rigid, extruded ABS plastic. Shelves can be assembled from basic components and are adaptable to any design. Panels may be cut to customer specifications. System is also available in prepackaged units. Circle No. 284.

Hale Mfg.—Bookcase can utilize as many adjustable shelves as needed. Constructed of wood, it is available in

walnut, oak, and birch in various sizes. Circle No. 283.

Cramer-Spring-loaded wheels allow "Kik-Step" to be rolled easily. Wheels automatically retract when product is in use providing non-slip footing. Rubber treads ensure safety while rubber bumpers protect finish. Item is available in 12 colors. Circle No. 288.

Gregson-"Campus Oak" seating is offered as one-, two-, or three-seat units with an overall width of 3134- to 85-in. Height of all models is 30-in. Units are designed for library and institutional use. Circle No. 279.

LIBRARY FURNISHINGS

Stacking units conserve space

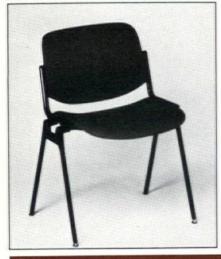
Modar—Table and floor lecterns have 24- by 16-in. note platform. Light or microphone may be attached to front overhang. Full-length model has 23- by 15-in. storage shelf. Lecterns are offered in oak and walnut. Circle No. 275.

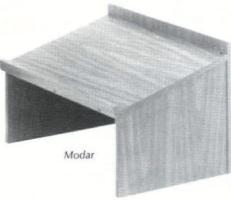
Gunlocke—"8091 Series" side and arm chairs are designed specifically for desk and conference table applications. Product features rounded edges of solid white oak in all-wood or upholstered versions. **Circle No. 282.**

Library Bureau—"Medallion '82" collection features radius corners, rounded aprons, and recessed reveal strip. Items available in maple, birch, and red oak include carrels, tables, stands, and card catalogs. High-pressure laminate tops and chrome legs are options offered. Circle No. 292.

HAG/USA—Slim, contoured arms of the "Corpus Chair" fit easily under table tops. Chairs can be stacked five high for storage. Double-curved posture backrest cushion insures proper support. Beechwood frame is available in natural or three stain options. Circle No. 280.

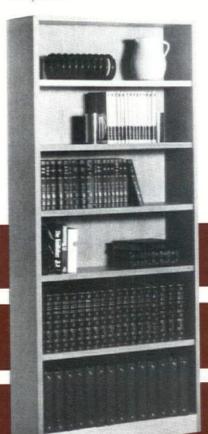


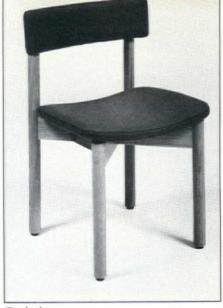




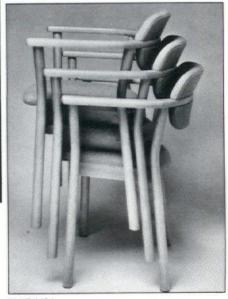


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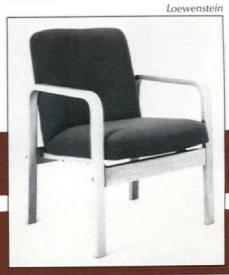




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Watson Furniture Systems

Worden—"Addenda" series shelves utilize a panel motif consisting of 2½-in. wide members, miter-joined at corners. End panels feature same panel style for both wood and steel book stacks. Circle No. 289.

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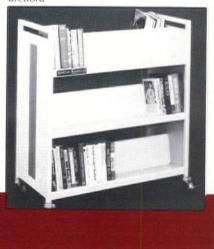
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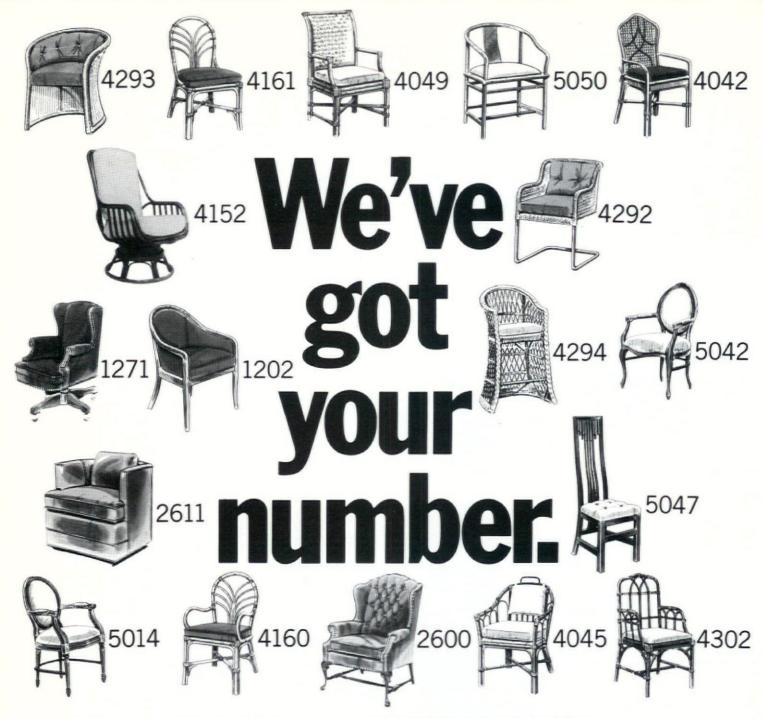
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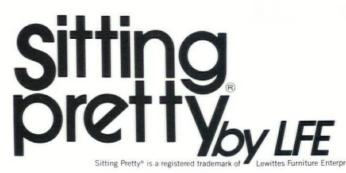


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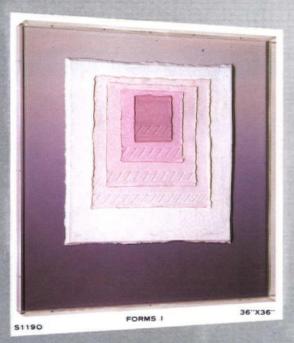
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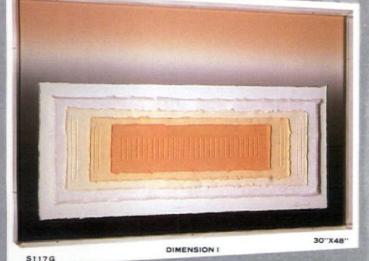
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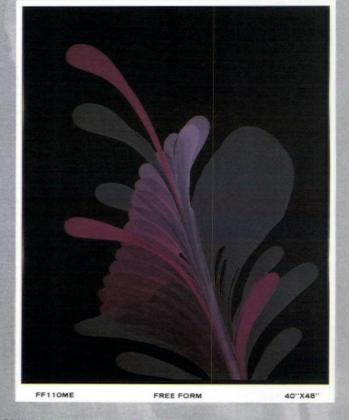
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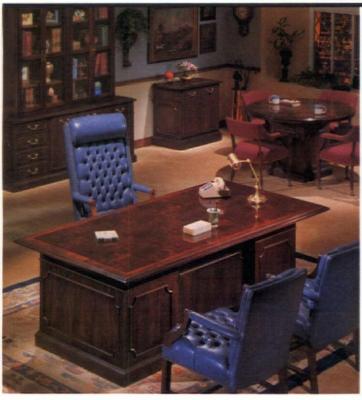
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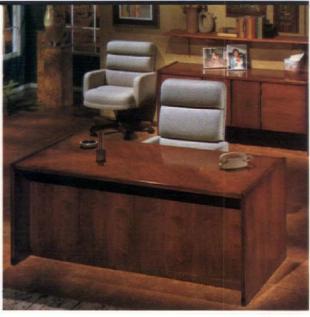
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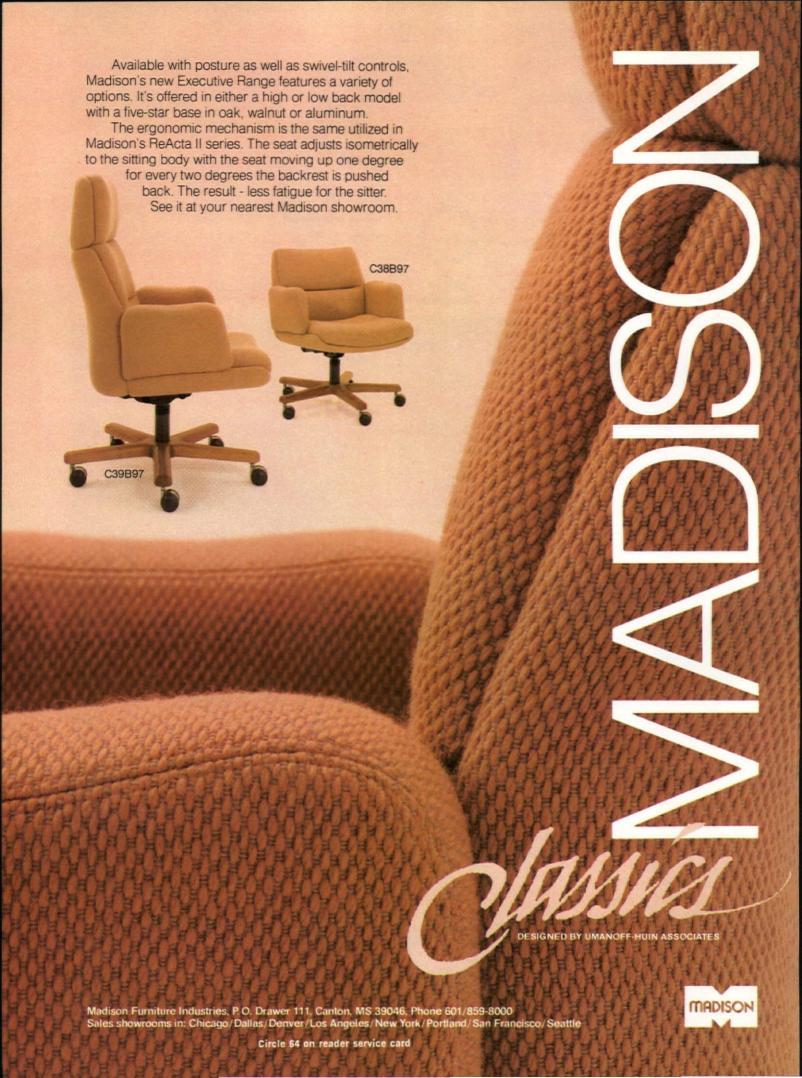
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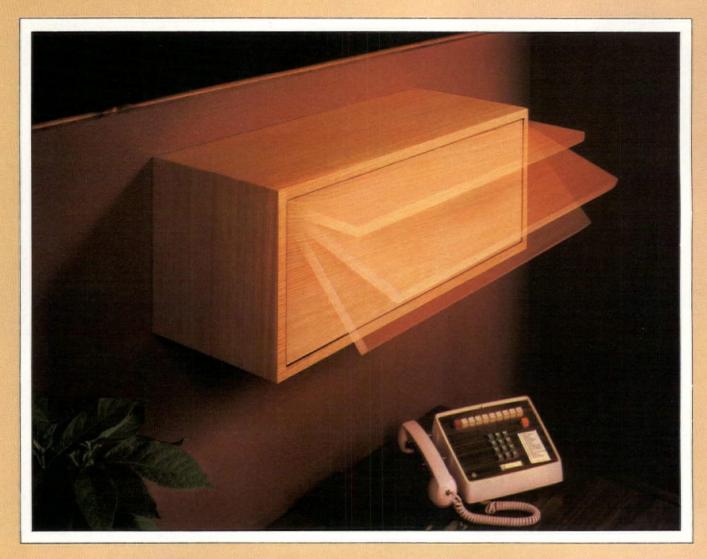
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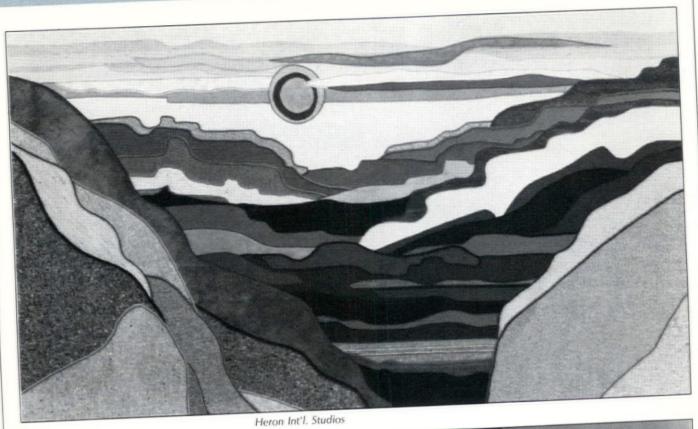




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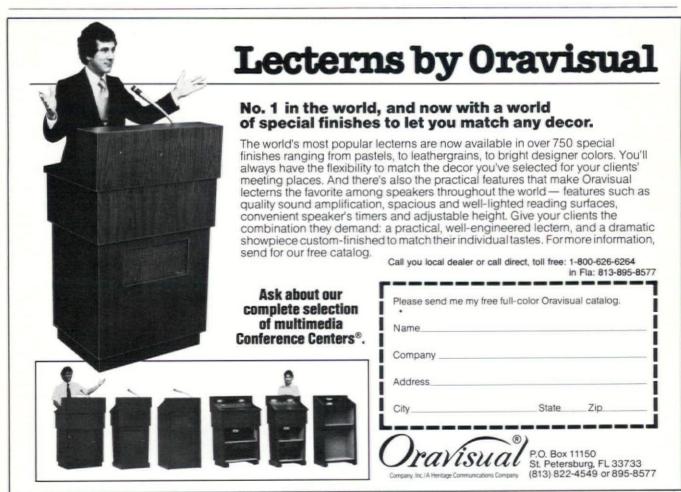
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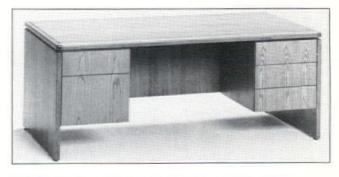
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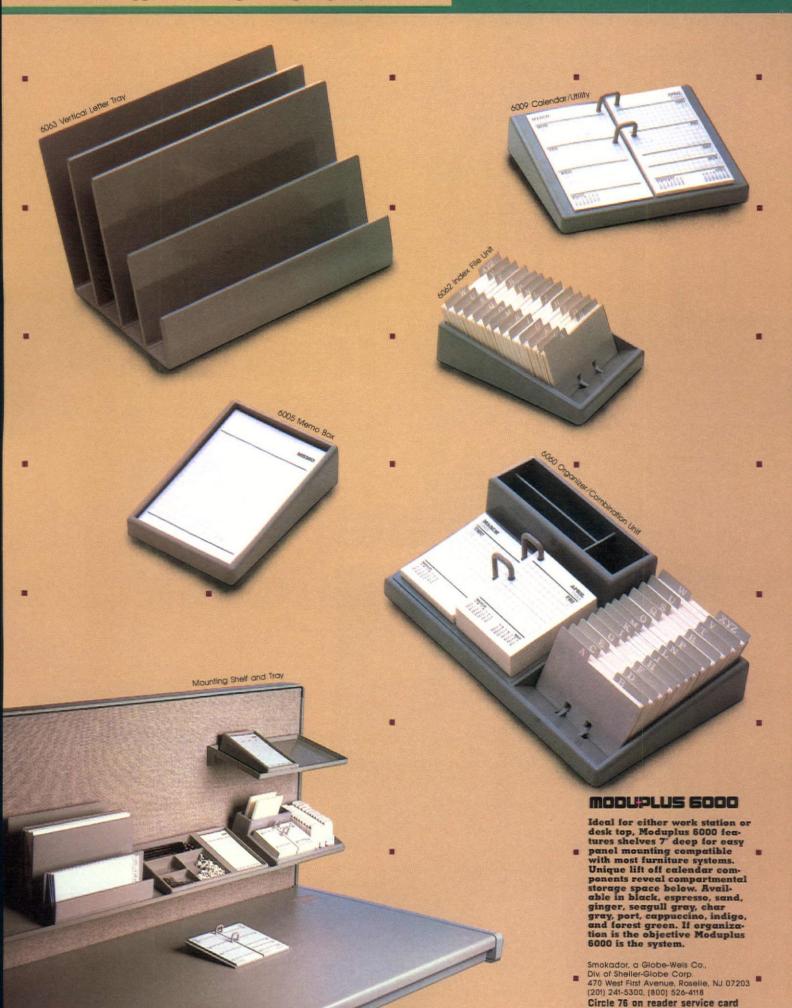


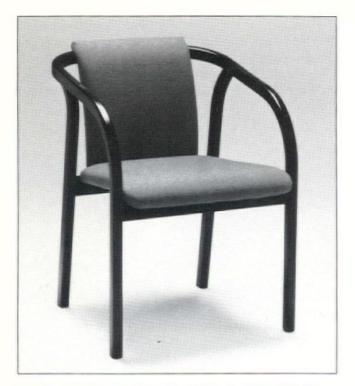
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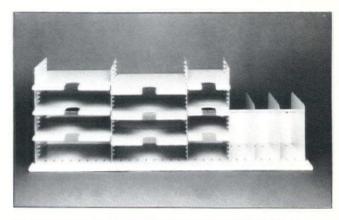


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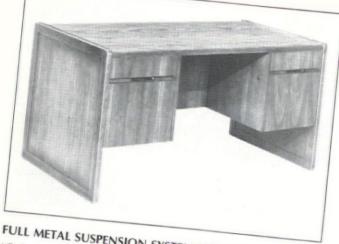
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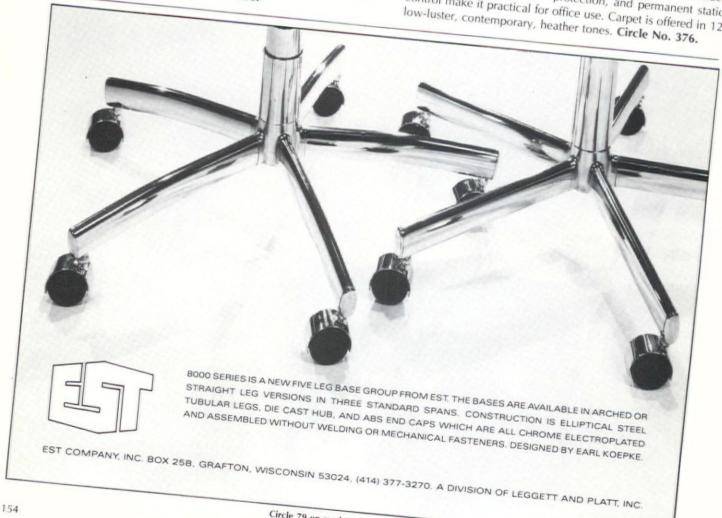


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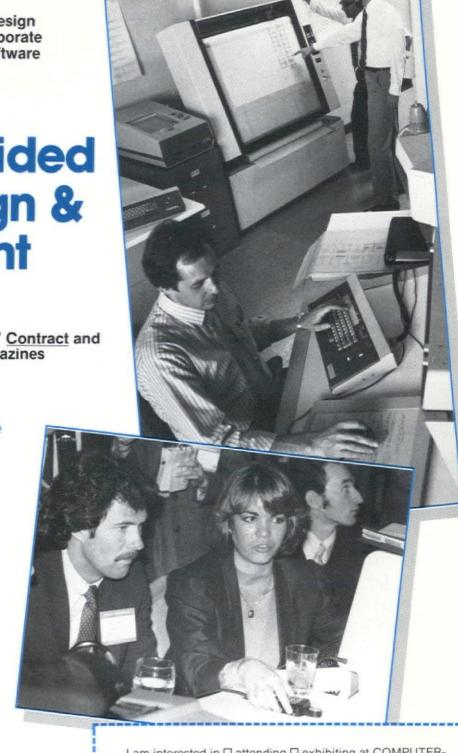


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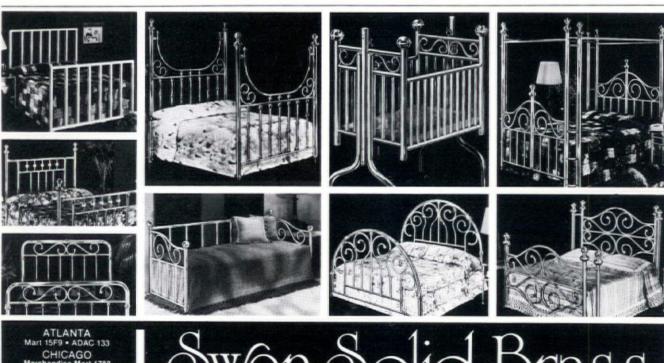
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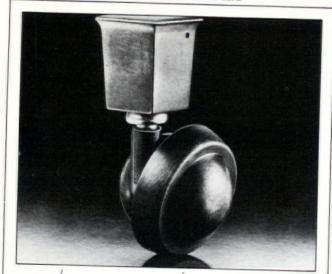






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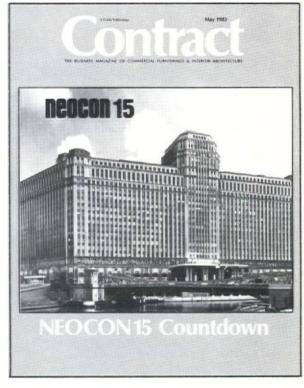
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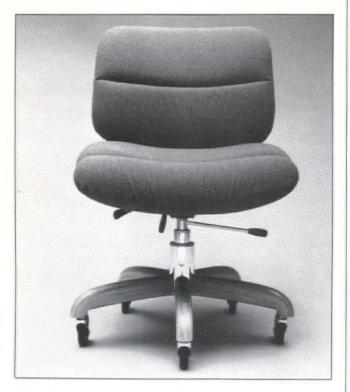
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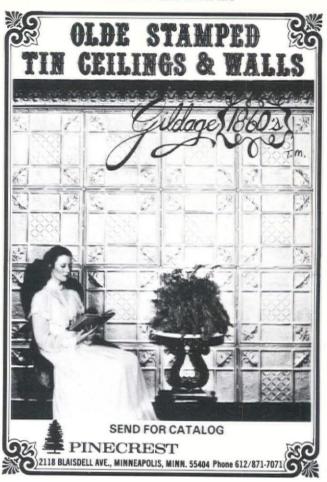
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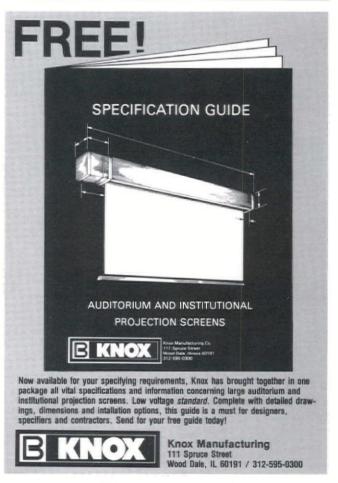
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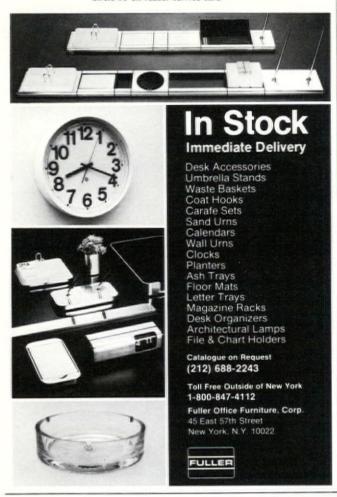
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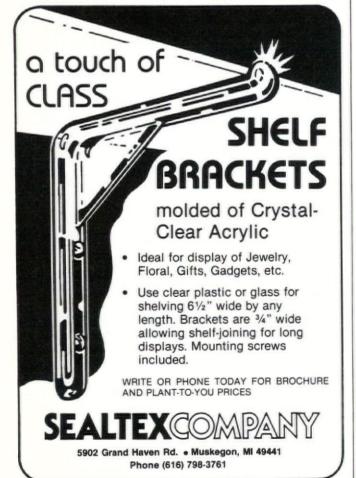
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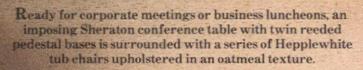
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