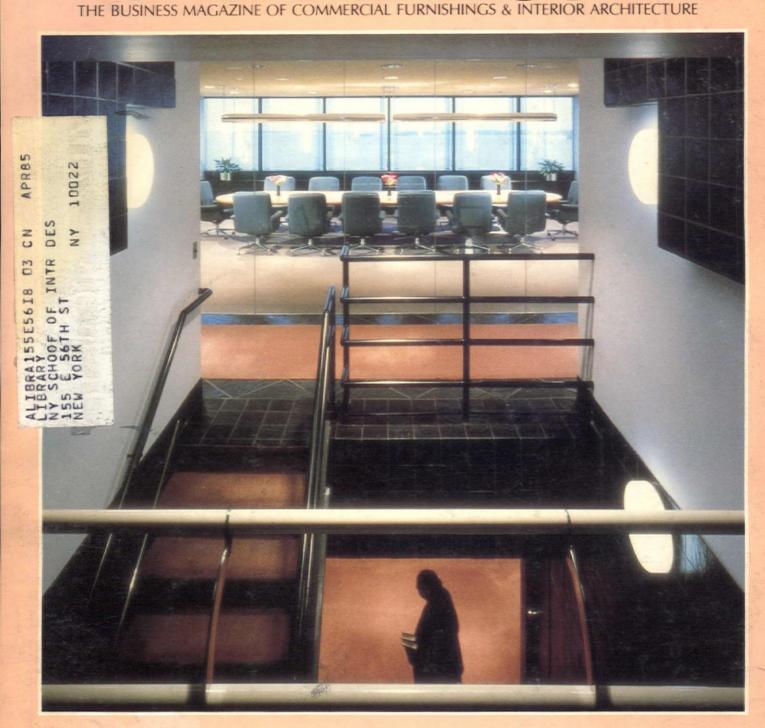
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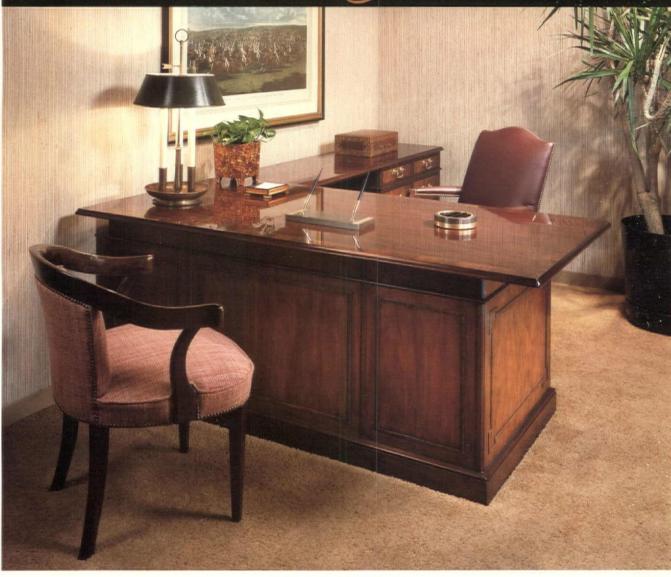
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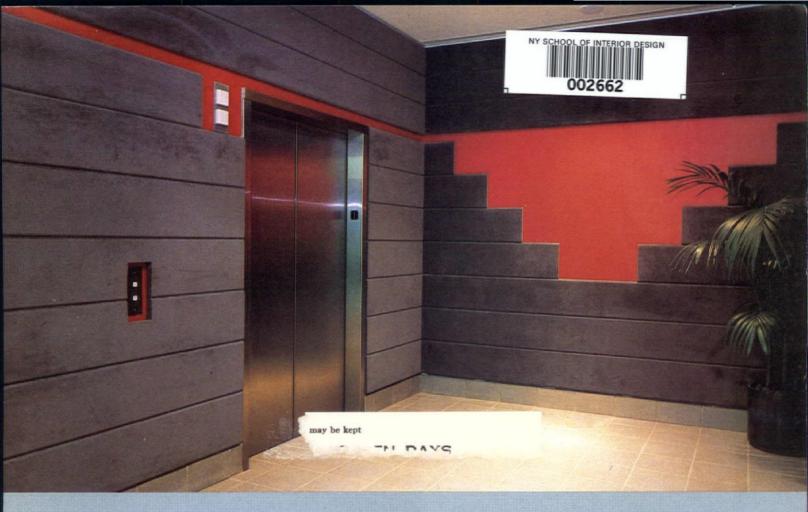
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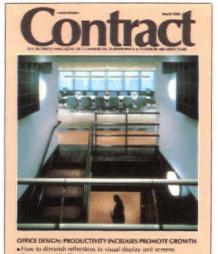
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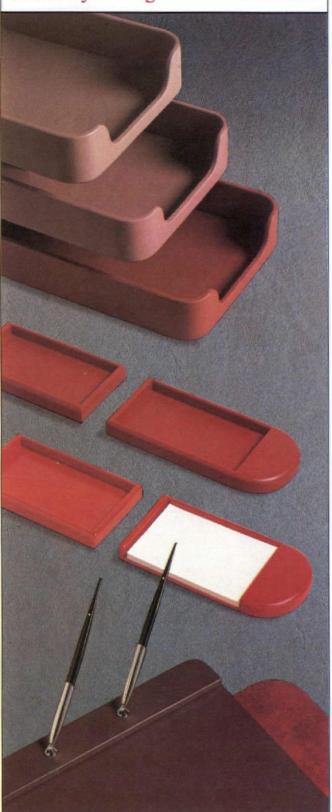
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May: NEOCON 16 Preview Issue features comprehensive, floor-by-floor advance coverage of the contract industry's most important event, the 16th annual Exposition of Contract Furniture & Furnishings at The Merchandise Mart, June 12-15, Chicago. Also included is a preview of NEOCON International and activities taking place at contract showrooms throughout Chicago. A tear-out guide to NEOCON exhibitors and showroom locations as well as extra distribution at the show are key issue features.

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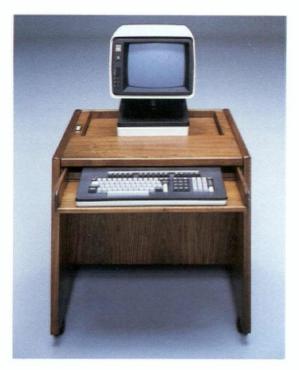
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PROGRAMS DEVELOPED BY ASID/IF BOOST DIALOGUE

Four times a year, during NEOCON and other major markets, the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Industry Foundation (IF) sponsors day-long educational seminars of special value to the design community. These activities are usually over-subscribed, indicating their usefulness to the design professional.

The IF's quarterly events represent an expanding program designed to strengthen working relationships between the IF's over 1,100 manufacturer members and ASID's own designer population. Each group is becoming sensitized to the specific needs of the other, helping smooth the road they travel together. Like a good marriage, the relationship requires work, so that late deliveries, incorrect specifications, or a total lack of communication won't strain relations between designers and their manufacturer counterparts.

It is therefore commendable that recent changes have been undertaken by the Industry Foundation to dramatically enhance its service role. As one example of this change, membership in the IF's steering committee has been pared down to manageable size—from 50 to 25. Half of the members are from industry, half from ASID membership. CONTRACT's co-publisher/editor Len Corlin serves as Editorial Advisory Member and a Committee Co-chairman of the organization.

In addition, through a set of guidelines adopted recently, the IF is now better able to respond to local chapter activities through a definition of IF member-company responsibility to individual chapters. As a result, unrealistic expectations on either side are being diminished.

We think the IF's evolution into areas that foster a productive industry/designer relationship is worth your support.

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Food for thought offered on lunchtime presentations

Dear Editor: In large metropolitan areas, it has become common practice for design and architectural firms to permit interior specifiers to attend product presentations by furnishings companies only at lunch. I consider this trend to be a serious and growing problem in our industry as it points to a decline in the specifier's interest in obtaining real product knowledge.

Restricting product presentations to the lunch hour not only robs the designer of free time to enjoy food or run an errand; it prevents the presenter from having lunch at all. In addition, I find it offensive that the product presentation "service" is taken so lightly in many cases. Conference rooms reserved months in advance are frequently preempted at the last minute by those higher on the managerial ladder than the resource librarian who arranged the meeting. Many designers do not even attend meetings because of pressing deadlines or claims of "more important things to do." Thus, accurate attendee counts are impossible to predict and these lunches are often wasted.

Recently, our firm arranged luncheon meetings months in advance with several prestigious architectural and design firms in a western city. When we arrived at one of these meetings, we discovered that the conference room reserved for our presentation was unavailable. We convened at a table in the open resource library located between a stairwell and exit door. Throughout the meeting, passers-by distracted both my audience and myself. One-half of the scheduled attendees did not show up, while one designer arrived late, ate her lunch quickly, and left early. And, at a crucial point in the presentation, a partner in the firm came down the stairs, made a facetious remark in passing, and walked away.

As a businessman responsible to company stockholders, I am aware of the value of time and sympathetic to the need for firms to make a profit. However, knowledge of product is essential to the decisions designers must make for clients. I believe that a specifier's "billable time" should be fat enough to allow for orderly, unhurried, and straightforward presentations which do not compete with food consumption. At the same time, salesmen must take their responsibility seriously enough to use that available time to maximize designer education. Only in doing so can we all best serve our companies, industry, and the public.

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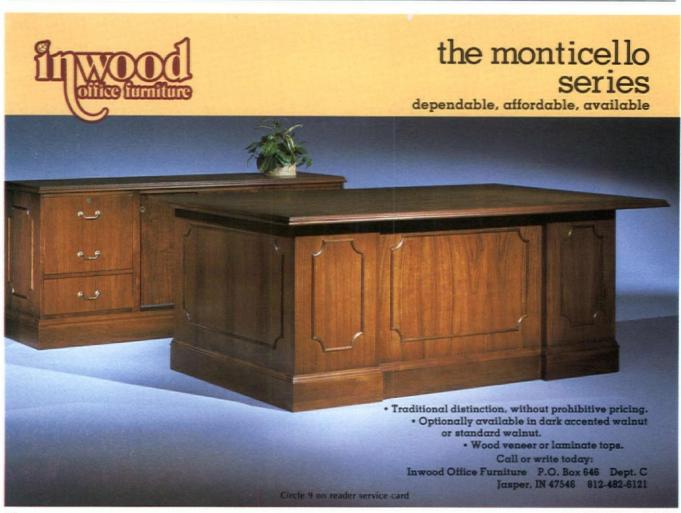
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Color compositions used to illustrate CON-TRACT's January issue article, "Grayed Colors Move Contract Toward Multicolor Palette," page 174, were created by graphic artist Kevin Beers.

The VERTEBRA chair shown in Milan Fair coverage, pages 30-35, December, 1983 issue is manufactured under license by Castelli, not COM as indicated. COM has been appointed manufacturer of DORSAL seating. Both products are available through Krueger in the United States.

Artwork available through WW Graphics shown on page 90 of December, 1983 issue article, "Contract Art Takes Variety of Forms," pages 88-93, is titled "Santa Fe." The correct artist for the limited edition serigraph is Robert L. Bowley. Photo shown for William Plante Photography on page 92 is correctly titled "Where Winter Walks."

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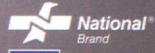
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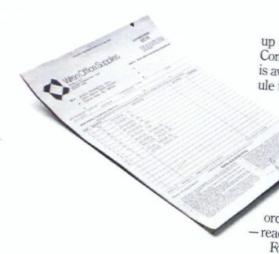




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Gold Key Awards given during IH/M&R Show

New York-First place winners in the Gold Key Awards for Excellence in Interior Design competition, sponsored by the American Hotel & Motel Association (AH&MA), were announced during the recent International Hotel/ Motel & Restaurant Show at the New York Coliseum.

Winner in the guest room category was the New York Hilton, Elizabeth Shean and Erwin designers, Shean-Nesbitt Inc. Absolutely Gloria's, Edwin Bronstein and Bill Cheeseman designers, Edwin Bronstein Associates, was the winner in the dining area/restaurant category; Systematics Guest House, Georg Andersen, designer, Cromwell Interior Design, won in the meeting area category.

A "home away from home" approach was used by Shean and Erwin to create the winning N.Y. Hilton suite, a space too small to house conventional hotel furnishings.

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In the bedroom, three flush drawers serve as a dresser. Walls, draperies, upholstery, and carpeting are warm and neutral. Black furniture by Shean-Nesbitt, art, sculpture, and polished brass accents add style and drama.

Absolutely Gloria's, a restaurant and charcuterie, was designed to be memorable. An interior surrealist landscape



Recipients of Gold Key Awards for Excellence in Interior Design are: New York Hilton (above); Absolutely Gloria's (upper r.); and Systematics Guest House (lower r.).

features an 85-ft. cloud mural as the view and can be seen from both inside the restaurant and out. Color combinations are unexpected, and all levels of detail, from the signature logo and menu type to food presentation, contribute to a unique image.

Five-member jury

A five-member jury panel including Roberta Walton. managing editor, CONTRACT, and editors of other leading trade design publications chose the winners from among 100 entries.

The Systematics Guest House is a corporate guest house that had a "hunting lodge" stigma. To soften this image, the designer bleached intricate ceiling trusses and introduced a soft color palette. Furnishings of down-filled custom upholstery and natural fibers including cotton, silk, linen, and wool were used. Budget was a strong consideration and big savings were realized with vinyl tile and all-wool Moroccan area rugs.





Chinese exhibit highlights April IDEC conference, Seattle

Seattle—The opportunity to view the travelling Chinese exhibition, "7,000 Years of Technology" in Minoru Yamasaki's unique Science Center, will highlight the Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) conference, April 12-14, at the new Park Hilton Hotel, Seattle, Wash.

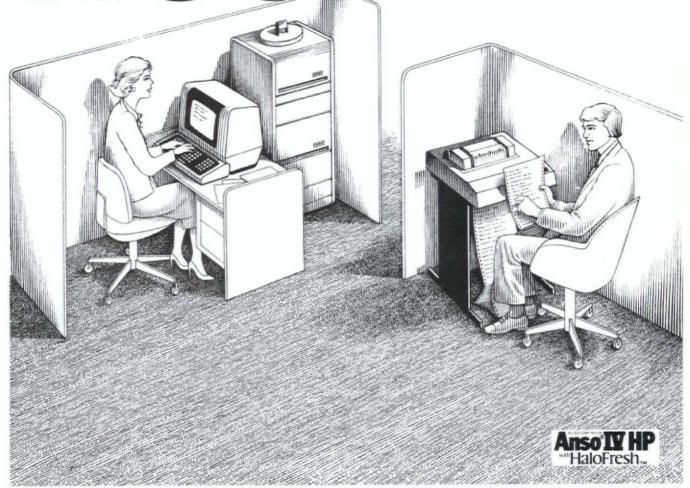
The theme of the three-day event is "Interior Design: Integration of the Arts," and a variety of activities have been planned. Sandra Slade and Curt Sherman, conference chairpersons, have arranged tours of Seattle's revitalized historical waterfront areas and 48197; (313) 487-2490.

noted northwest residential architecture.

A pre-conference trip on April 11 features a tour of the Weverhauser World Headquarters, the first major installation of office landscaping by Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill. The Second Annual Juried Exhibition, an invitational show, will occur April 11. A banquet will be held at the Olympic-Four Seasons.

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The books were accumulated from the late 1920s through the 1940s during the travels of local designers Tom Handley and Renzo Rutilli. The collection was widely used while Johnson Furniture was in the residential furniture industry, but was put into storage when the firm switched to office products and hotel/motel furnishings in 1963.

"There is a tremendous interest in this collection on the part of designers and other

libraries across the United States," says James Van Oosten, president, Rose Johnson. "But, we felt the best possible use would be by Kendall students. Grand Rapids is the furniture city, and we don't want the collection put anywhere else." The books are being kept in Kendall's Learning Resource Center.

Chair is donated to Cooper-Hewitt

Alexandria, Va.—New York's Cooper-Hewitt Museum has recently added the Danko Unfolding chair to its permanent decorative arts collection. The chair was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Biggs.

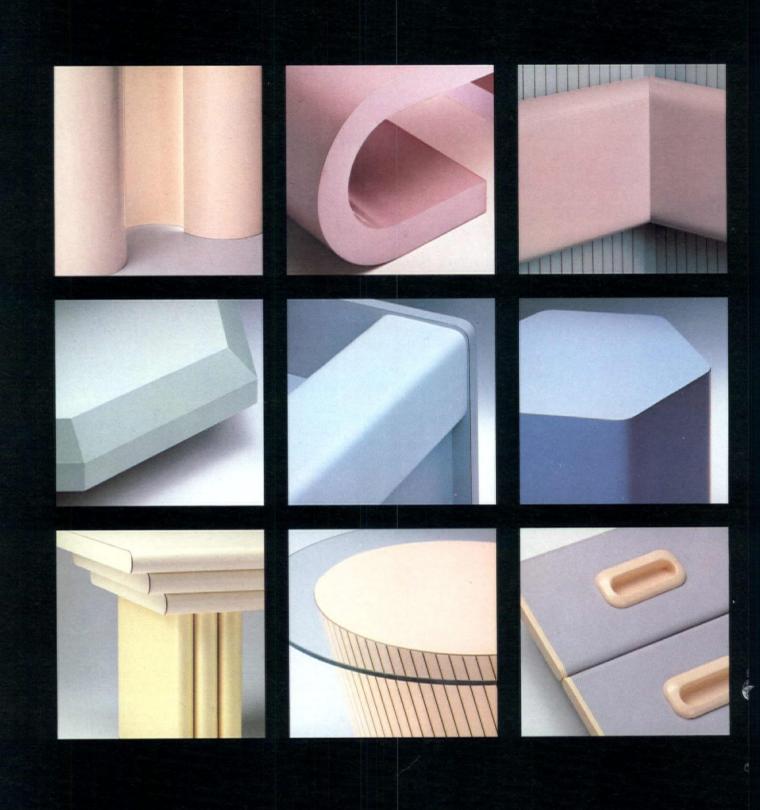
Peter Danko & Associates Inc. manufactured the twopiece molded plywood chair. An innovative method of molding in a pliable material enables the chair to fold without hinges for ease of use.

Party benefits GCC-ASID



Houston-The Gulf Coast Chapter, American Society of Interior Designers, kicked off its second annual Red Gulch Saloon Casino Party with a meeting in Sam Houston Park. The party offered gambling in a casino served by 55 croupiers, auctions bid with casino winnings, dancing to a country-western band, and door prizes donated by the trade. The party's organizing committee includes: (top row I. to r.) Frank Carrell, Robert San Roman, Brenda Fletcher, Bruce Wolfe, Lynne Luedtke; (bottom row I. to r.) Susan Moore, Bob Mitchell, Molly Mitchell, Kent Brashears, John Broderick, and Billie Kelsey.





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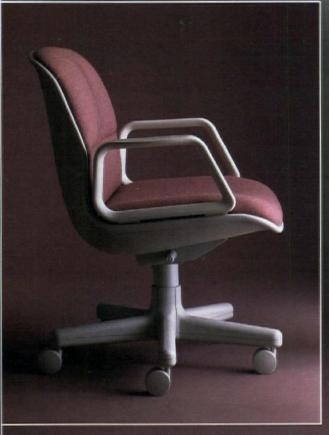
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Washington, D.C.—Allied Corporation's Fibers Division entertained 400 local architects/designers at the Christmas opening of "The Nutcracker" by the Washington Ballet. Attending the black-tie buffet following the ballet are (l. to r.) Joan O'Callahan escorted by Michael Hanley, AIA, and Judy Peters, manager, advertising and promotion, Allied.

Workspace '84 focuses on the automated office

San Francisco—The interaction of executives, interior designers, architects, institutional planners, and specifiers with a focus on the key issues, emerging strategies, and new products for the automated office is the theme of Workspace '84, scheduled for April 24-25 in San Francisco's Moscone Center.

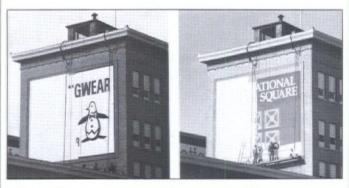
An expanded conference program format, enlarged exhibit floor space, and special programs highlight the event.

Speakers will open the conference each day by addressing issues shared by the entire audience. Special-interest, "breakout" sessions, seminars, panels, and workshops targeted to particular audiences will follow.

Conference programs will be organized around the exhibition. Exhibitors will offer sophisticated new solutions in computer support furniture, open-plan systems, raised floors, carpeting, and more.

Exhibits will be open at no charge daily from 11 a.m. to 8

p.m. A hosted wine bar in the lounge area will be open daily from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Full restaurant and bar facilities will be available throughout the show.



Goodbye, penguin . . . hello International Market Square

Minneapolis—Sign painters working eight floors up on the new International Market Square recently signalled an end to decades of operation of the structure under the name Munsingwear, when they covered the apparel firm's penguin logo with the symbol of the new regional design center and trade mart. Ground was broken October 13 for the 685,000-sq.-ft. project and grand opening is slated for January, 1985. The center will serve 10 states and portions of Canada.

New Steelcase tool speeds systems planning

Grand Rapids, Mich.— Steelcase Inc. has developed BasiX,™ a new program designed to speed systems specification by permitting the identification of individual workplaces as complete units, rather than as component parts. It will be introduced at NEOCON 16 in Chicago this June.

Key to the program is a matrix, a planning and specification tool, which details the various sizes of available component groupings for five office functions including clerical, professional/technical, supervisory, managerial, and executive.

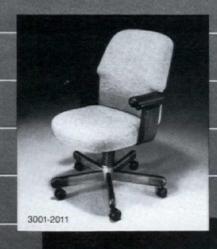
"Designers and specifiers can combine any of these components with a wide range of panels and surface material options," says Paul Witting, senior vice president, marketing. BasiX[™] will be applied to all Steelcase systems, including Series 9000, Valencia, and Moveable Walls.

German mfrs. announce U.S. showroom

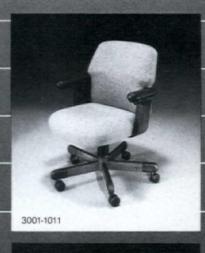
Philadelphia—In a move designed to penetrate the American contract furnishings market, a group of 16 German manufacturers led by Rainer Carrier, Haiges International, will open its first United States showroom in April at The Marketplace. Other group members include Kill International, Draenert Studios, and Storz & Palmer.

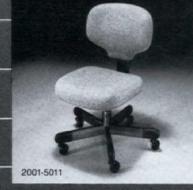
The showroom, Modern Bauhaus Interiors, will occupy 8,500 sq. ft. in The Contract Center. The three-level space will feature a circular stairway, and the mid- and lower-levels will be exclusively devoted to contract furnishings.

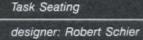
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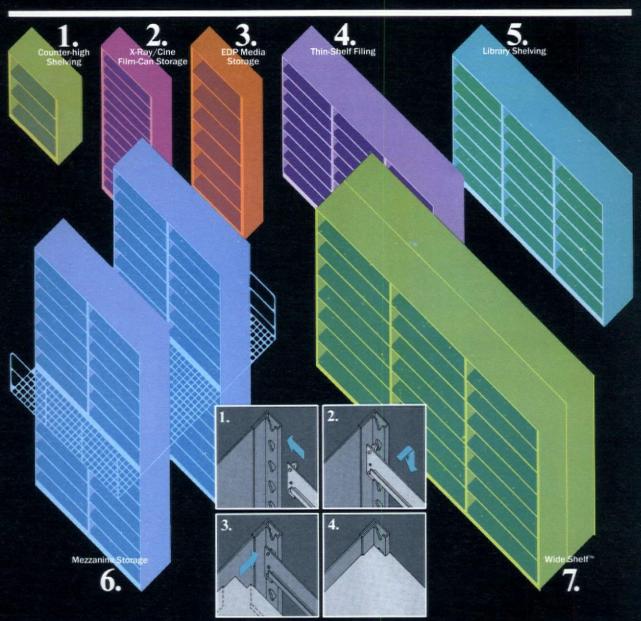
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IFMA presents awards

Ann Arbor, Mich.—The International Facility Management Association (IFMA) presented awards to three outstanding contributors to the design field at its annual conference in Denver recently.

George Graves, Texas Eastern Transmission Corp., received the Lifetime Achievement Award. In making the presentation, John Peterlin, chairman, awards committee, said during his career, "Graves had integrated information processing with the physical environment to an outstanding degree and that he serves as a model for other facility management departments."

David Armstrong, former director, Facility Management Institute, received the Distinguished Award for his contribution to establishing facility management as a profession and for developing the institute.

Franklin Becker, associate professor, Cornell University, received the Educator's Award for developing the only graduate and undergraduate degree programs in facility management at a major university in the United States. Last year was the first year of the awards program. Peterlin's committee developed categories and criteria to judge outstanding achievements in facility management which will serve as the basis for future awards.

Acquisitions: Interface to buy U.K. tile manufacturer

Interface Flooring Systems Inc. has announced its agreement to purchase the carpet tile division of Carpets International, the United Kingdom's largest carpet and carpet tile manufacturer. In a separate transaction, Interface purchased Carintusa Inc. from Carpets International for approximately \$440,000 ... National Gypsum Company, a manufacturer and supplier of products and services for building, construction, and shelter markets, has acguired The Austin Co., an international design, engineering, and construction firm, Cleveland, Oh.

Conference features oriental highlights

Seattle—A Japanese kimono fashion show, sushi bar, and live oriental music will highlight the three-day "Presentations Northwest '84 . . . East Meets Northwest" Spring Market, Design Center Northwest, April 12-14.

The conference is geared to interior design and architectural professions. Product presentations, seminars, symposia, social events, and entertainment are planned. Topics will cover color, lighting, design trends, and how to understand the design industry. Special seminars on "Design In The People's Republic Of China" and "Designs For New Frontiers—Spacelab" will also be held during the conference.

Speakers will include Brand Griffin, specialist engineer/architect, Boeing Aerospace Co.; Milton I. Swimmer, president, Swimmer Cole Martinez Curtis; and Roberta Walton, managing editor, CONTRACT. For further information contact: Design Center Northwest, 5701 Sixth Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98108, (206) 762-1200.

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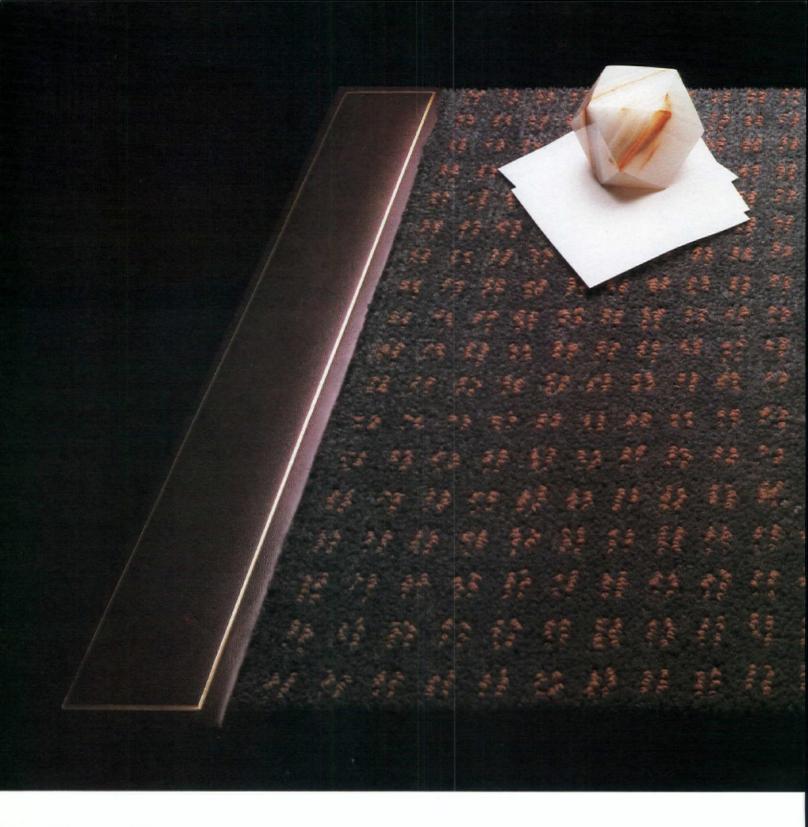
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ADAC exhibitors celebrate expansion



Atlanta—Peter Layne (r.), principal, Arc-Com Fabrics Inc., greets guests Mr. and Mrs. John C. Portman at his company's showroom in the Atlanta Decorative Arts Center (ADAC) during the ADAC expansion grand opening party. Arc-Com is currently expanding its contract upholstery programs as well as additional fabric lines.

NCIDQ elects officers

New York—Four officers, each of whom will serve a one-year term, have been elected to the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ). The new officers are: Andre Staffelbach,

president; Jo Heinz, vice president; Willard Ching, secretary; and Fred Oberkircher, treasurer. The NCIDQ develops and establishes the minimum standards for the qualification of professional interior designers.

IBD rally includes two-day trade exhibit

Greensboro, N.C.—The Carolinas Chapter, Institute of Business Designers, will include a two-day trade exhibit during the Student Rally in High Point, April 9-11. Exhibits will be at the new Market Square complex.

The rally will feature speakers George Nelson; architect/futurist Jerry Allen; Len Corlin, editor/co-publisher, CONTRACT; and several Fellows of the institute. A second panel of industry experts will be available to answer student questions.

Furniture factory tours, showroom visits, and panel discussions will also be a part of the program.

Atlanta Market Ctr. redesigns exhibit hall

Atlanta—The 80,000-sq.-ft. exhibit hall on the second floor of the Atlanta Market Center's Merchandise Mart has been completely redesigned and redecorated.

A coordinated color scheme of light-to-dark neutral tones was employed throughout the hall, and to soften the spaciousness, a system of ceiling banners, wall-to-wall carpeting, carpeted columns and improved lighting techniques were used. Booth drapings and electrical systems were reworked.

The \$250,000 renovation was done by the local architectural and engineering firm of John Portman & Associates. The newly refurbished hall was unveiled during CONEXION '83.

The 3.2 million-sq.-ft. Atlanta Market Center complex is the site of 55 markets, trade shows, exhibitions, and conventions each year. To accommodate a growing demand for permanent and temporary show and meeting space, the Market Center is planning an 800,000-sq.-ft. addition.



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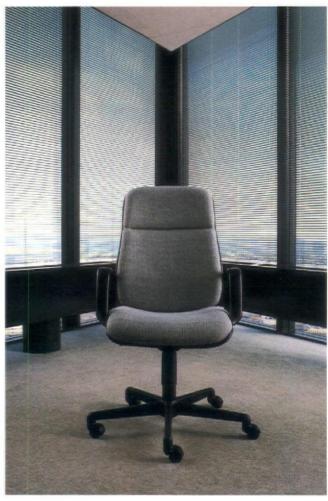
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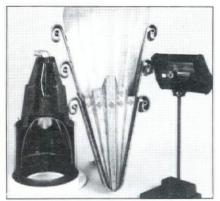
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Expansions: Growth prompts manufacturer moves

Rapid growth has led to the need for larger facilities for Panel Concepts Inc. and Lonseal Inc. Panel Concepts began construction on an expanded central regional headquarters and showroom in the Chicago Merchandise Mart. Lonseal has moved its corporate headquarters and warehouse facilities to Carson. Calif....Cubicon Corp. announces the completion and start-up of its newest factory in Ripley, Miss.... Building additions have increased the EST Company's capacity for its broadened lines of aluminum and steel components, Grafton, Wis.... GF Furniture Systems announces the opening of a new corporate training center near the company's Youngstown, Oh. headquarters ... Westinghouse Furniture Systems has completed exterior construction of its Grand Rapids office and customer facilities renovation and expansion project. The new offices will feature advanced technologies.



Rambusch display includes 150 objects.

Rambusch exhibition viewed at Parsons

New York—Lighting fixtures were among 150 objects, photographs, and drawings represented in the 85-year Rambusch Studios retrospective at the Parsons Exhibition Center, Parsons School of Design. Among products displayed are those shown above (l. to r.); Lite-Pak, the sixth Rambusch unit to be patented in the U.S.; the Sconce, made in 1925 for a Times Square theater; and the Downlite.

Who reps what: Stadler-Peters receives two new appointments

Stadler-Peters Associates is representing K Mills' line of upholstery fabrics in Virginia and North Carolina, and is acting as sales agents for the Underdown Textiles' line of contract fabrics in the same states. K Mills is a subsidiary of Hickory Springs Manufacturing Co. . . . Girsberger Industries announces these new reps: Buck Associates, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Alaska; Robert L. Beegle Associates, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and Iowa . . . The Boling Co., announces two new distributors of its products: Victor & Patrick Inc. will represent the firm in Alaska, Idaho, western Montana, Oregon, and Washington. Sherman-Erickson Co. will represent the firm in Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Wyoming, and eastern Montana . . . Allison-Erwin Co., a wholesale distributor of home products, will produce Hunter Douglas Window Systems.

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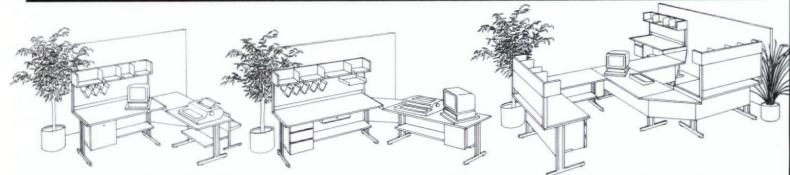
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Competitions: Women designers are contest focus

- Women In Design International is accepting entries for its third annual competition. Categories include architecture and industrial design. Entries must be postmarked by March 31.
- Mill and distributor salespersons handling Performance Certified contract carpeting from **Badische Corp.** could win a trip for two to the 1984 Summer Olympics for outstanding sales between **January 1 and March 31.**
- The Second Annual ASID/Wilsonart Design Competition is open to all ASID professional and associate members in good standing. A total of \$36,000 in prizes is offered. Entries will be accepted through April 15.
- The Kentucky Area/Ohio Regional Chapter, Institute of Business Designers, is sponsoring a product application competition for any design fabricated or installed between April 15, 1982 and April 15, 1984. Contest closes April 16.

- Outstanding lighting designs will be honored in the 1984 Lumen Award Program, April 19, at the University Club, New York. The event is sponsored by the New York Section of the Illuminating Engineering Society.
- ASID's 1984 Product Catalogue Awards competition is open to any company which manufactures or markets products used by interior designers.
 Entries must be postmarked by April 30.
- ASID members may submit entries of contract or residential interior designs featuring Halo lighting for the firm's eighth annual Lighting Design Competition no later than June 1.
- The ASID Medalist Award honors ASID members for significant service to an ASID chapter and the design profession. Eligibility is restricted to those who have been professional members for a minimum of 10 years. Nominations must be received by June 15.
- Shelby Williams Industries Inc. is awarding international study trips on the basis of qualifying award points earned through February, 1985. Eligible persons include interior designers, architects, and specifiers.

New assignments: Construction begins on Colorado hotel

Stan Miles Properties is developing a \$26 million, 169,000-sq.-ft. hotel at Republic Park, Denver, Colo. Project architect is C.W. Fentress and Associates P.C. . . Abramson/Vereen Associates Inc. will space plan and design the interiors of the new Greyhound Rent-A-Car national headquarters, Deerfield Beach, Fla.... International Packings Corp., a manufacturer of precision OEM rubber parts, has retained Boston architects Huygens and DiMella Inc. to design a 5,000-sq.-ft. corporate headguarters addition, Bristol, N.H.... Cannell & Chaffin will implement the interior architecture, space planning, and design of a planned 24,000-sq.-ft. Bear Creek Golf and Country Club Clubhouse, Riverside County, Calif. . . . The Phillips Petroleum Co. has chosen Kelleher Design Associates Inc. for facility programming and interior design of its new four-story office building, Borger, Tex.



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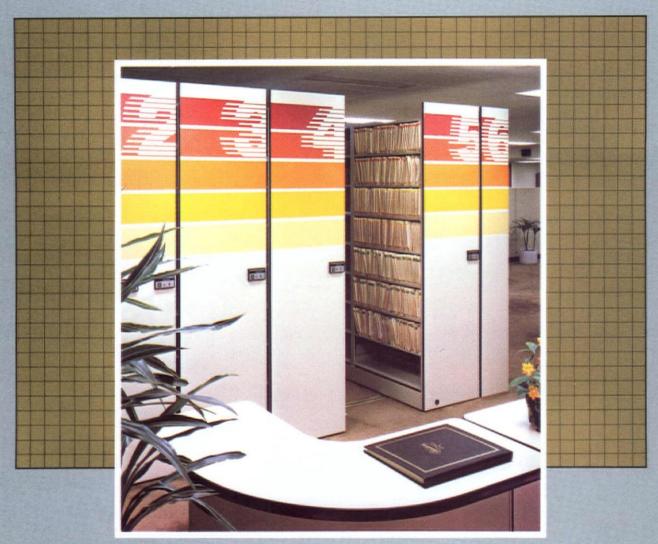
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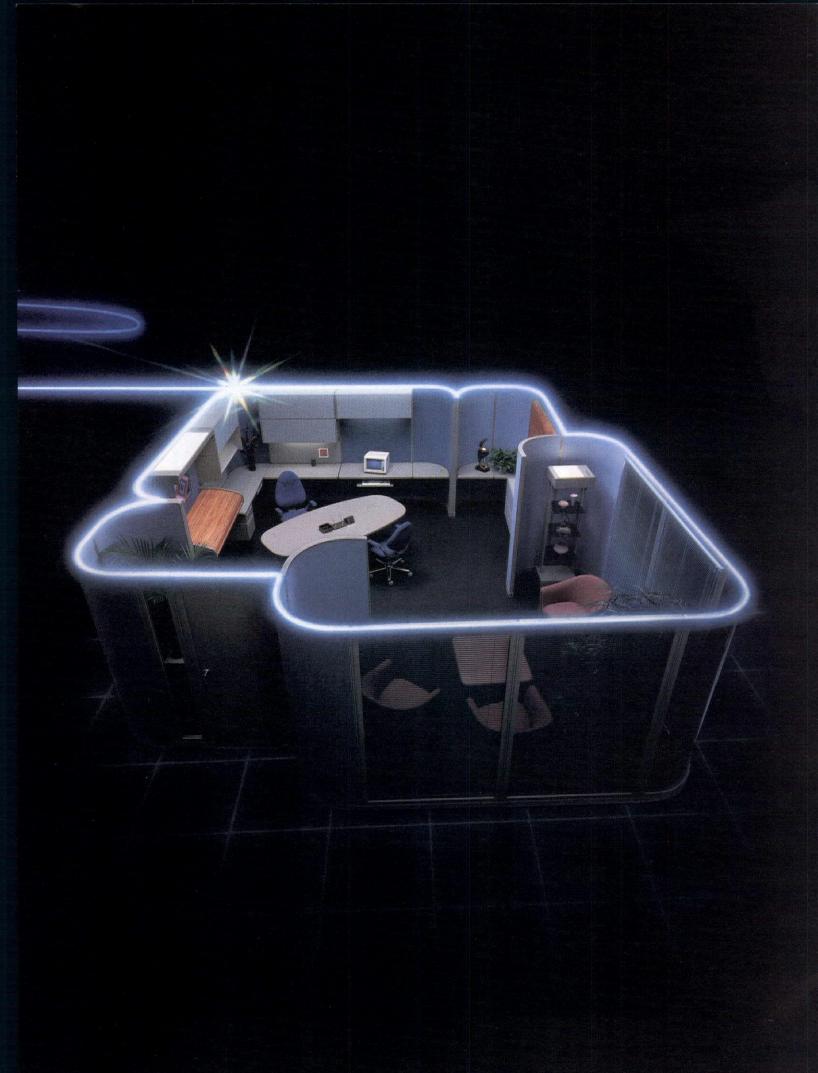
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NEOCON COUNTDOWN

Modern Architecture Symposium to debut at NEOCON 16



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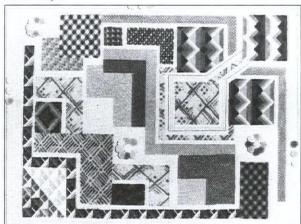
The Chicago International Symposium on Modern Architecture will make its debut in Chicago as part of NEOCON 16 activities, according to Merchandise Mart Management. Said to be the first symposium on the subject of the continuation of modernism, as opposed to "postmodernism," the symposium will draw on architects and critics from broad and contemporary stylistic backgrounds.

Represented will be participants from Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, England, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Spain, West Germany, and the United States. Discussion leaders include Robert Venturi, Henning Larsen, Juhani Pallasma, and Helmut Jahn.

The American Institute of Architects and the National Council of the Order of French Architects will host and sponsor a special program for the Union of International architects, based in Paris.

Introductions, activities, and people at NEOCON 16 are shown on these pages. \Box

Ulster Carpet



Edward Axel Roffman's new 59 Franklin Group desk line has transitional features, including brass hardware, bowed end panels, and full-height-recessed outside modesty panels. Circle No. 345.

Ulster Carpet Mills, in Space 10-150 of the Merchandise Mart, offers a wide range of Irish tweed upholstery and furnishings fabrics that coordinate with its contract carpet lines. Circle No. 346.



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Armstrong's new extra-sanitary vinyl flooring, Medintech, can be flash-coved to do away with floor-wall joints; is available in nine colors. Circle No. 350.

Mira-X has introduced two new wool-blend grades for NEOCON showing, Mira-Berge and Mira-Laine (shown). Both are woven Wiltons 15-ft. wide, and highly textured in seven pastel shades. Circle No. 351.

ICF's Biach chair designed by Josef Hoffmann is part of re-creation series. It has solid beech frame in natural or stained ebony or rosewood. Circle No. 352.

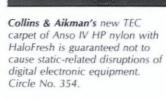
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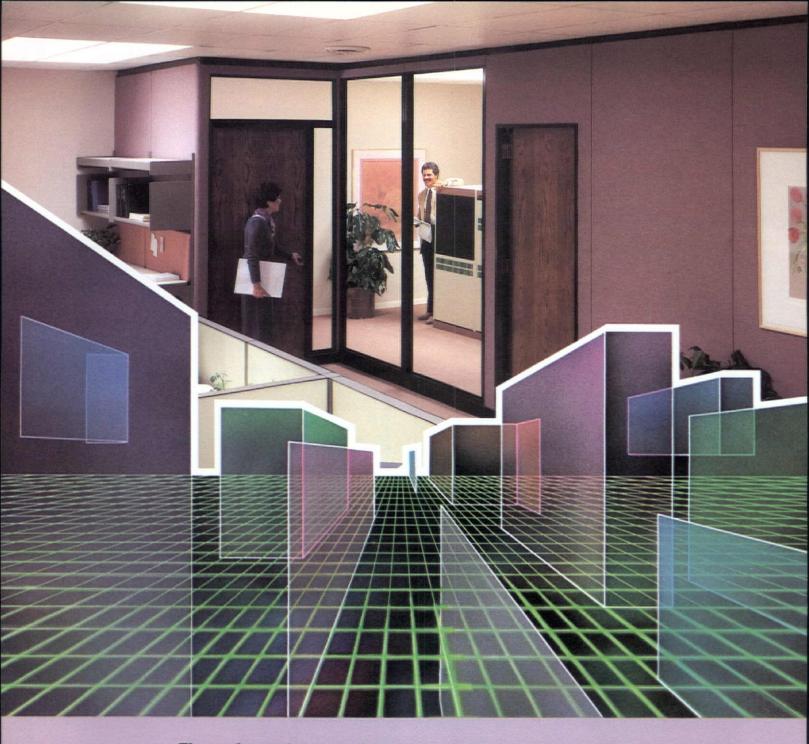
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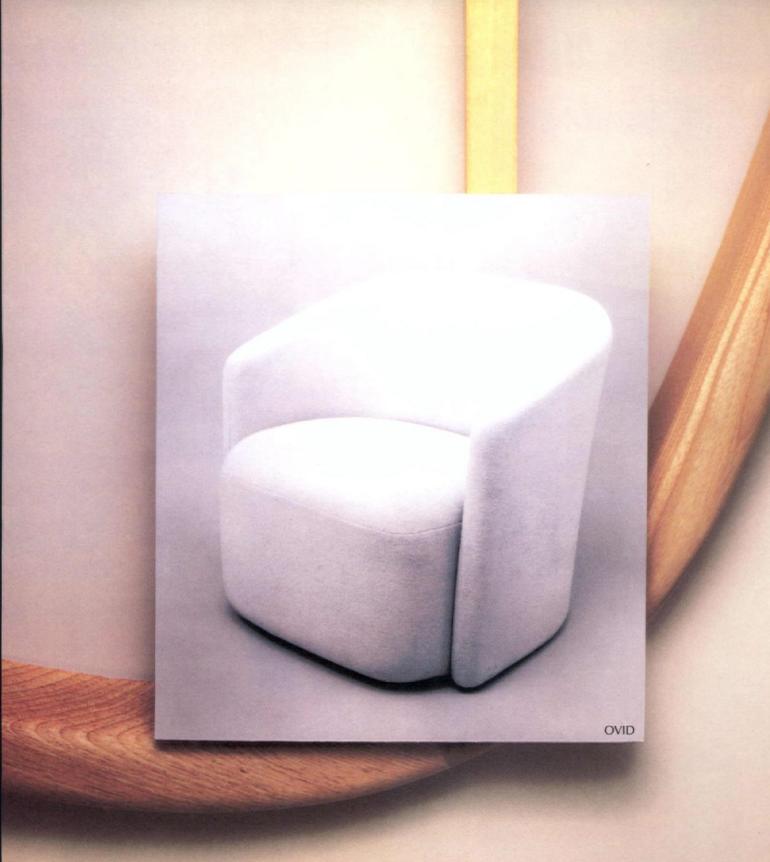
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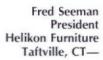
CARPET INVENTORY SHORTAGE DUE IN '84





66There may be some shortages in olefin in the third and fourth quarters of '84. This is due to the product's increasing popularity and manufacturers' inability to meet demand. Carpet business has been 'off' during the past few years. And, although there have been increases in olefin sales, these weren't substantial enough to justify expansion by suppliers to meet '84 needs. This is true for nylons as well.

AS OFFICES SCALE DOWN, FURNISHINGS RESPOND





creasing cost of rental space, executive offices are becoming smaller. Storage systems are responding more critically to user needs, especially in vertical storage systems. We have noted that executives are seeking those solutions which are adaptable to CRTs and related electronic equipment, particularly in the category of concealed storage. A 600-to-700 percent increase since 1976 in rents has spurred this trend, as has the influence of inflation.

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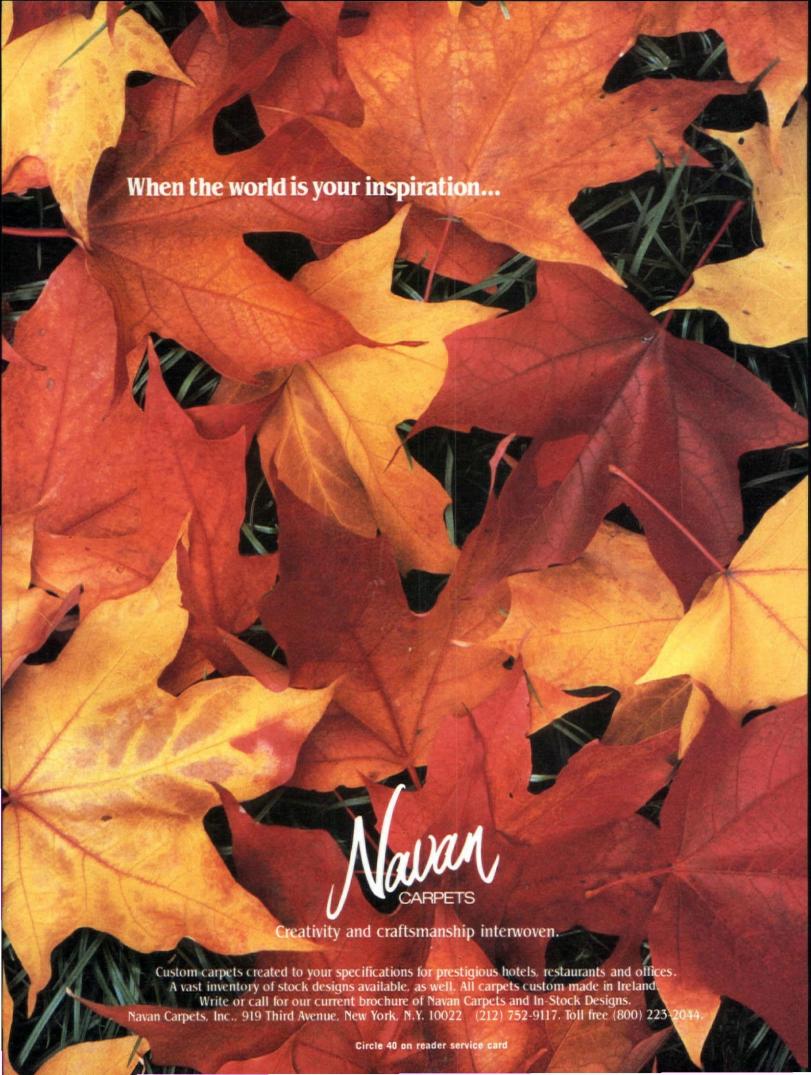
66 Offices are developing along the lines of an ergonomic response to electronic, automated systems. We see a rapidly growing interest in electronic support furniture, storage for floppy discs and related electronic data, and a whole plethora of associated support furnishings. Users are more concerned with ergonomics and adjustability. There is more attention being given to quality. Development of product lines through overseas and domestic consultants is a major trend. ??

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COLOR LINE

Bi-color palette multiplies marble tile flooring options



By Katherine Forman

Effective use of the bi-color palette, a color system which permits many colors of the same value to be used in juxtaposition, can be seen in Barbara Schirmeister's new marble floor and wall tile line for ArmStar. Designed to coordinate with important contract industry trends, the collection includes 18 natural marble colorways which can be used to create a variety of pattern and border effects without introduction of additional floorcovering materials.

Comprised of four, basic color families ranging from rose to burgundy, beige to taupe, gray-blue to black, and light- to dark-peach, the tile group permits color and pattern versatility through what Schirmeister describes as the "non-committed hues." Selected shades of taupe, for example, create a bridge between grays or blues and beiges or browns. "Thus, they enable the designer to develop overall floorcovering patterns incorporating both colorways," she explains. "The system can be described in terms of a star with the neutrals forming the center from which other colors emanate."

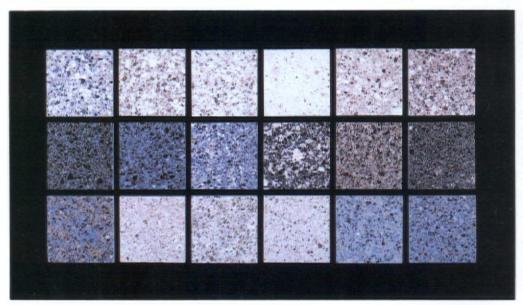
Included in the ArmStar Armstone™ collection are 12-in.-square floor tiles and 4-ft.-square wall tiles. Patterns in each group include composite and monolithic styles in warm and cool ranges that may also be combined in interesting floorcovering designs.

Of note is the collection's use of naturally occurring marble color without added pigment. Tiles are made of 90 percent natural marble aggregates with a clear polymer resin that does not visibly alter the tiles' true color. According to Schirmeister, color and

embarked on a program to unearth a wide variety of natural marble colors. The final 18 selections are the result of a year of research during which hundreds of domestic and imported aggregates were tested for adaptability to today's color trends in furniture, fab-

wide styling diversity."

Engineered for contract use in heavy-traffic areas, ArmStar expects its new product to be most successful in office, hospitality, and retail interior applications. It is slated for introduction in spring, 1984 and will carry a two-year wear



pattern depth are enhanced by the lack of pigment and make the tiles appear similar to granite. She also claims that the resin offers added styling versatility. By providing a reflective surface, it permits designers to alter the way in which each tile's color is perceived, depending on how it is used and combined with other tiles from the palette, she says.

Because Schirmeister and ArmStar president S. Todd Lewis were committed to sidestepping pigments, the firm

rics, and surfacing materials.

Comments Schirmeister, "ArmStar implemented a controlled color and design process to assure successful product development. Because the firm's actual factory was under construction throughout the selection process, all color work was done in a pilot plant that served as a color lab for strike-offs and testing. Color was approached from the perspective of a fabric house, with the goal being an esthetic program that offers designers

warranty for interior installations. Currently, the firm is "shopping" for additional marble aggregates which will expand the color line in coming seasons, says Schirmeister.

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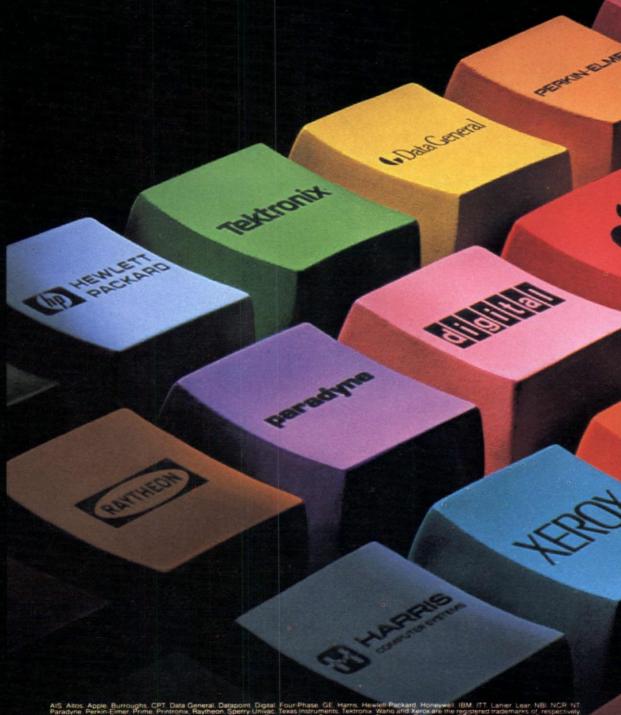


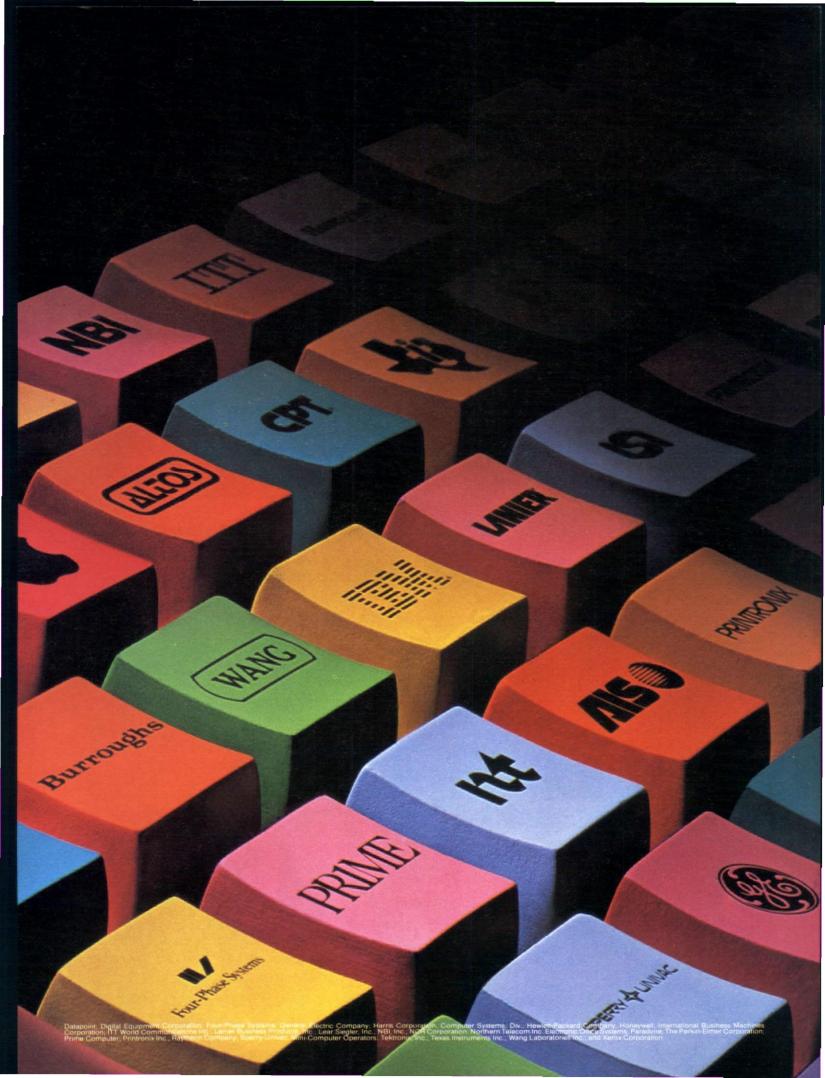
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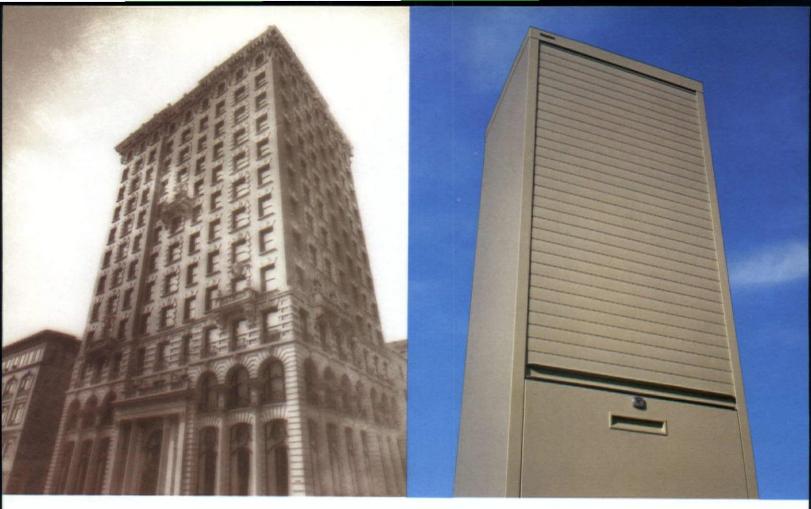
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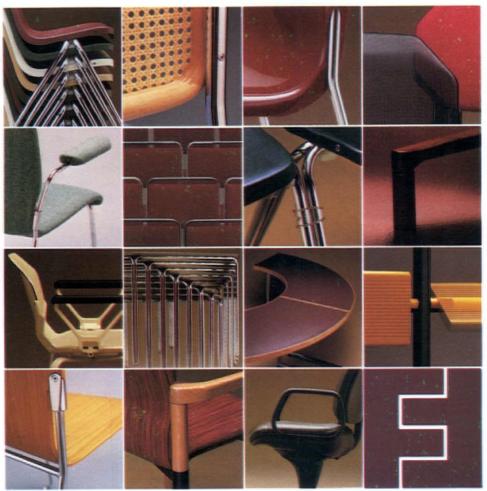
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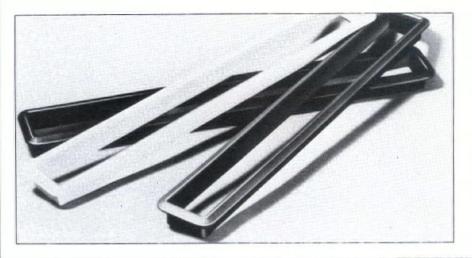
Comfort, efficiency highlighted in computer furniture line



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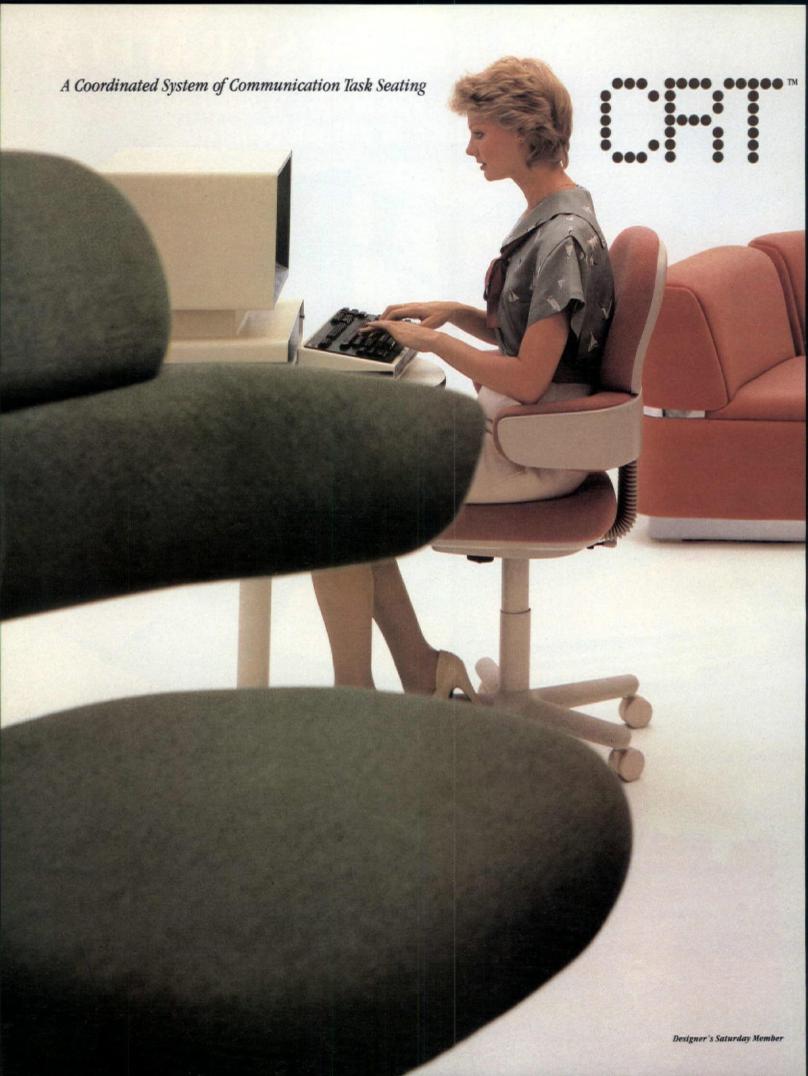
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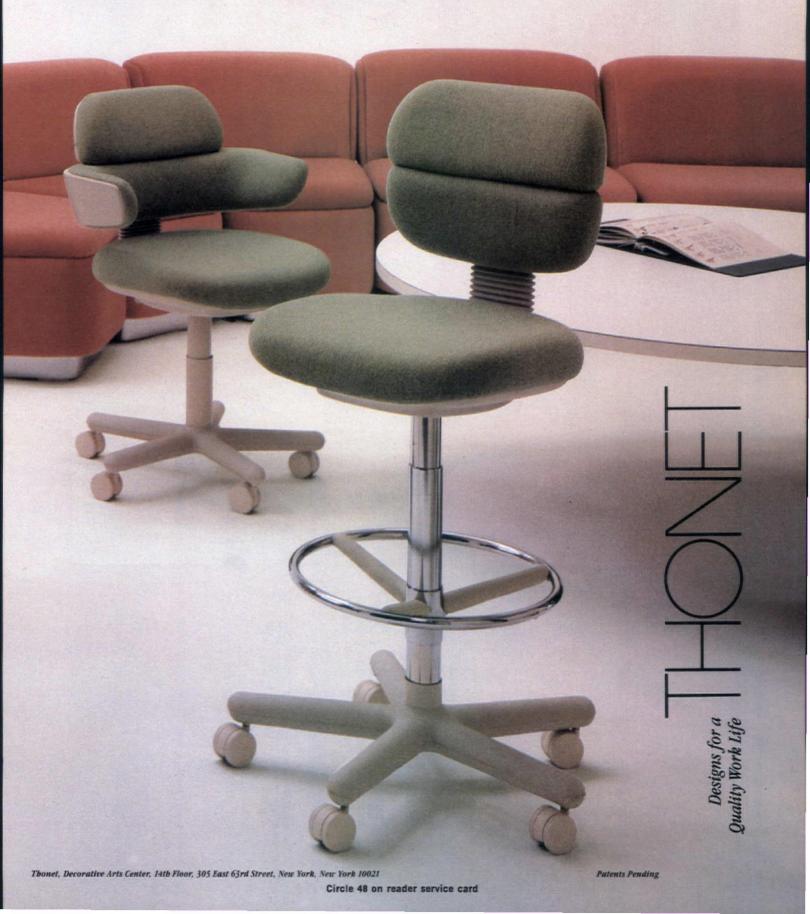
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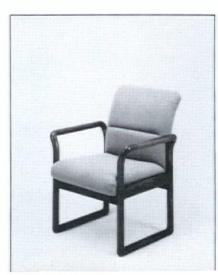
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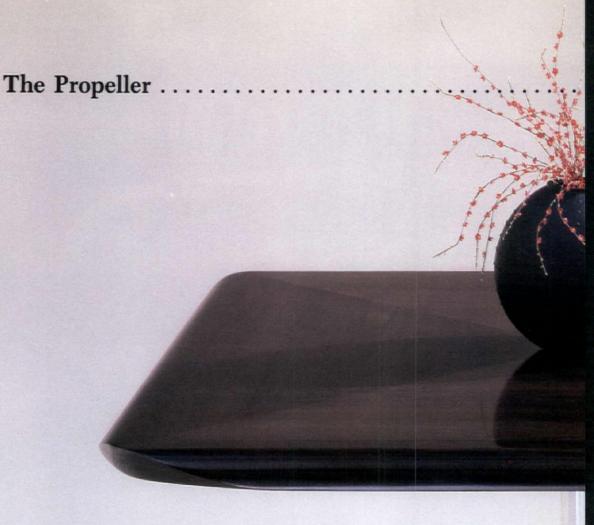


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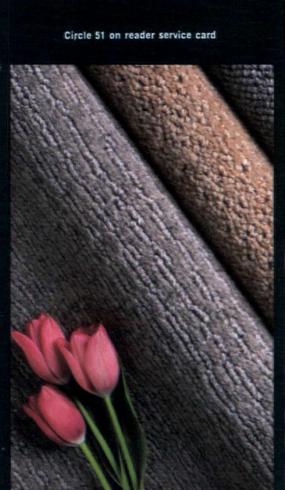
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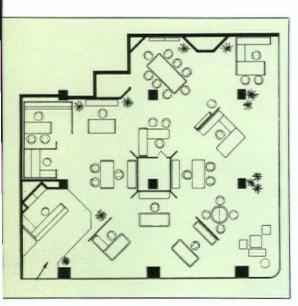








Smoked mirrors, photo displays visually expand space in Chicago Merchandise Mart showroom



Alcove layouts treated with mirrored walls and columns visually enlarge space in Hardwood House's Chicago Merchandise Mart showroom. Also expanding space are large-scale photos of the firm's furnishings products. Installed on alcove walls in the outside corridor, photos maximize available display space by making the hallway appear to adjoin the showroom.

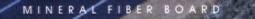
Previously an undivided 3,000-sq.-ft. area, Hardwood House's showroom now features floor-to-ceiling panels which form a series of separate display settings. These fabric-covered panels are trimmed with black to create a chimeri-

cal frame for furniture settings.

Designer Joseph Lubner treated structural columns and entryway walls with smoked mirrors which reflect elements within the showroom. The resulting mirror images cause the showroom to appear to have more rooms than actually exist.

Sophisticated, neutral gray and black color schemes were selected as backdrops for furniture displays. These unobtrusive colors serve as a foil for wood furnishings without distracting visitors. Recessed and track lighting provides sufficient general illumination, yet spotlights product displays.

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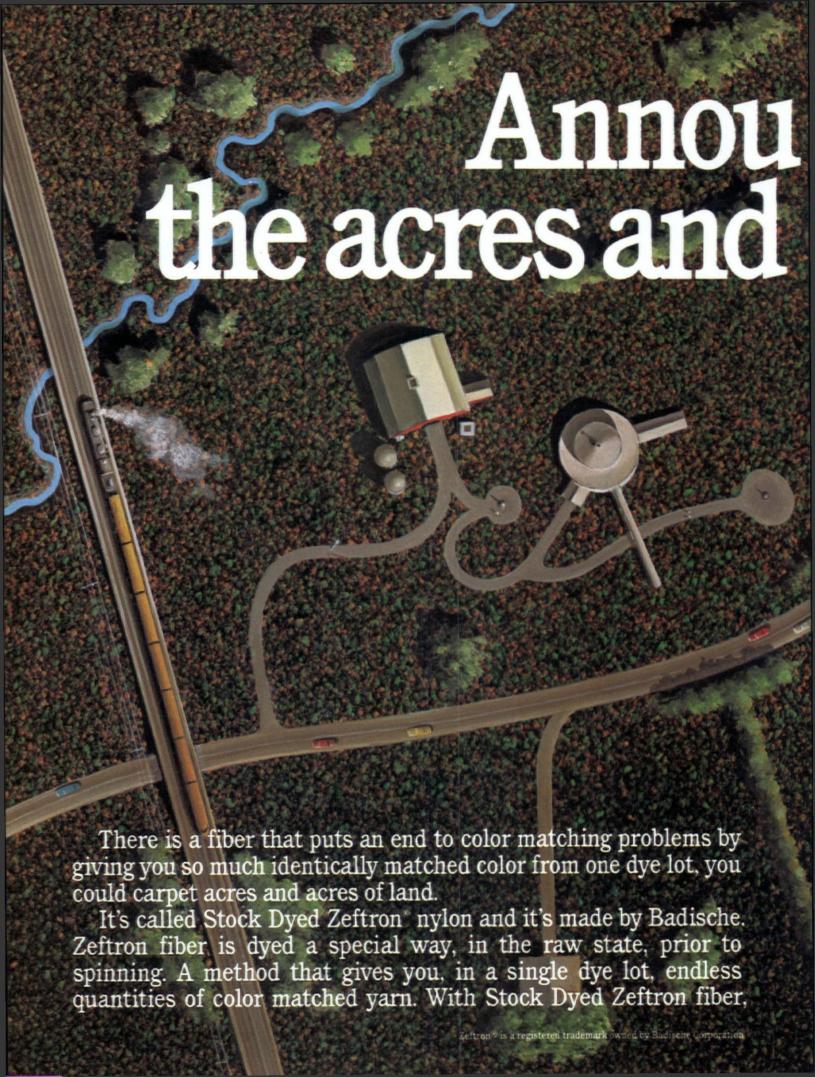
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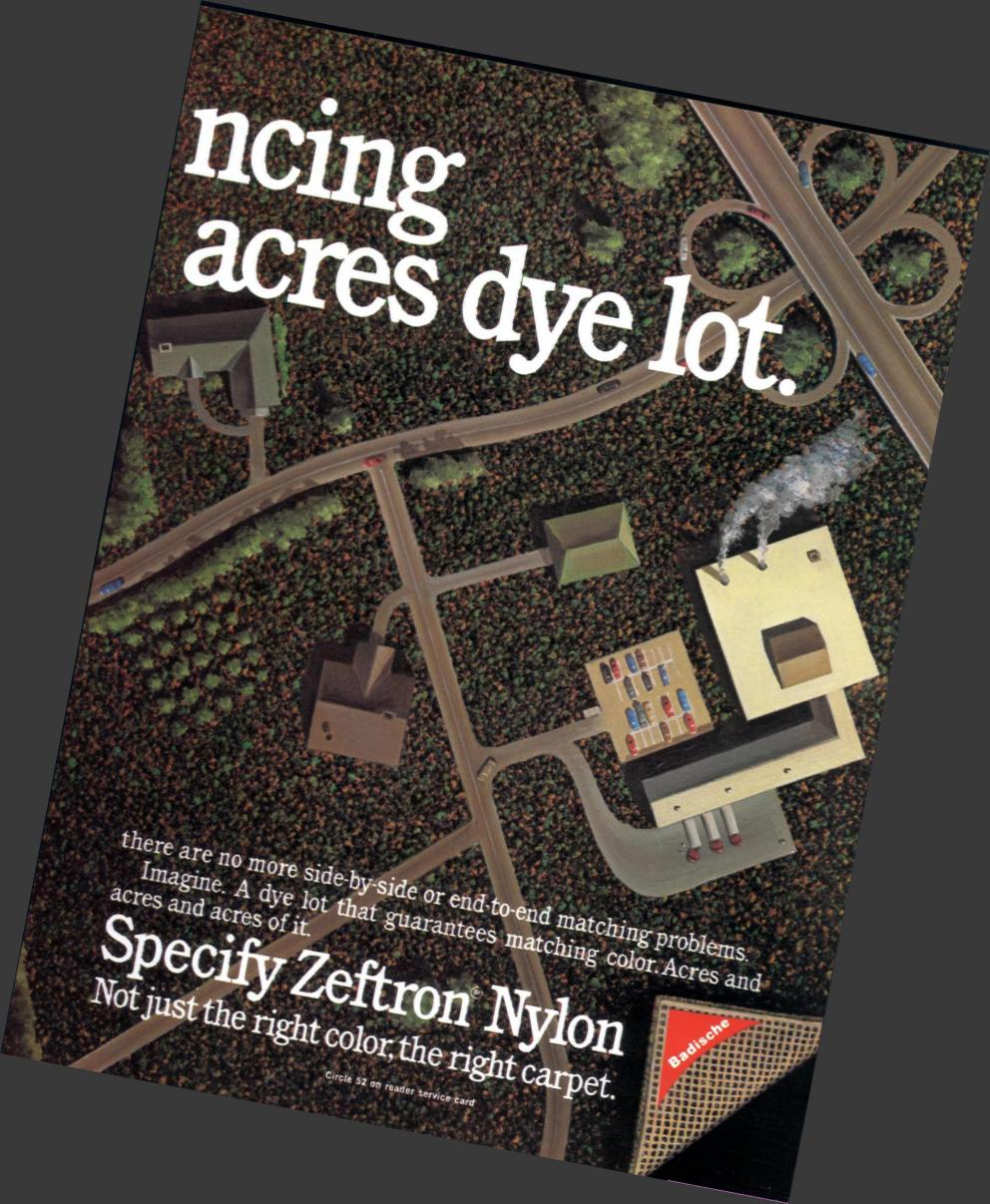


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Displays are used as workstations to maximize showroom space

By turning Westinghouse furniture systems displays into working offices, planners overcame tight space constraints in the firm's Dallas World Trade Center showroom. In addition, design treatments double as an efficient marketing tools by illustrating how the firm's furnishings products are used.

Dallas design firm HKS Interiors renovated Westinghouse's 4,700-sq.-ft. showroom to include new space configurations in open plan offices for sales, clerical, and mailroom staff as well as landscaped storage and audio-visual

areas. Furnishings and panels are angled away from the entry to maximize visibility from both ends of the space.

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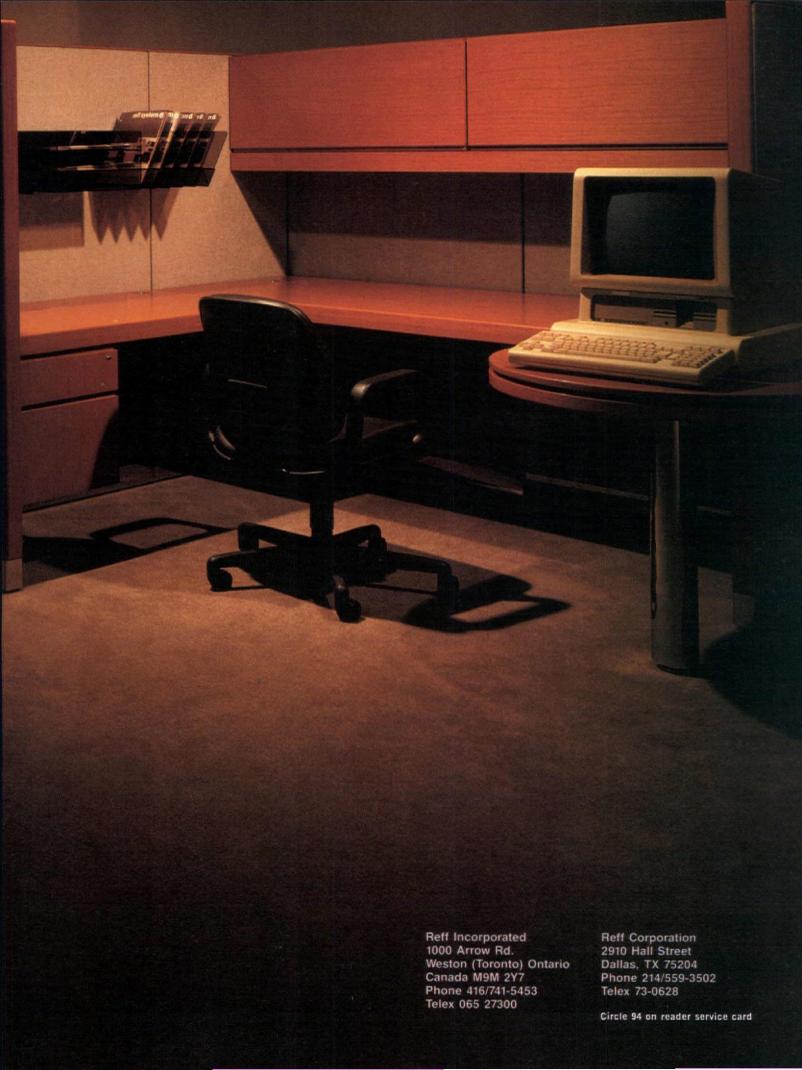
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The Brewster Corporation announces the appointments of **Thomas O'Connor** as president and chief executive officer, and **Richard Draper** as director of marketing.

Charles F. Tysinger has been promoted to advertising and merchandising manager, Amoco Fabrics Co.

Wunda Weave Carpet Company appointed Robert A. Hahn to the position of sales manager, western U.S.

Thomas R. Spangler (shown) was appointed general manager, Executive Furniture Inc., Huntingburg, Ind.

Desiree E. Arena (shown) has joined the Karastan carpet and rug division, Fieldcrest Mills Inc., as a stylist.

Donald E. Bellew, president, SCOT-FOAM, was elected to a one-year term as president, Polyurethane Foam Association.

Baxter Hodell Donnelly Preston announces the appointment of **Stewart S. Maxwell, Jr.** as department head, interior architecture.

Oliver Realty appointed **Linda W. Bayer** marketing director, Oliver Design Group.



Spangler



Aren

Anthony Basile has joined Bloomcraft Inc. as vice president, operations and merchandising.

The 1983 Brayton International Chair of Excellence Award was presented to **Senator Jesse Helms** at the Greensboro, N.C. Holiday Inn. **Vice President George Bush** attended.



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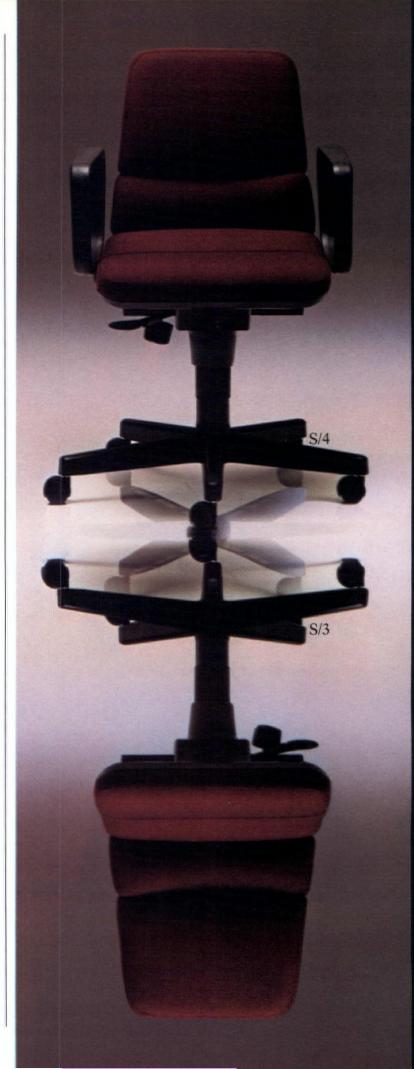
Robert Chevalier (shown) has been appointed divisional vice president, eastern division, Knoll International. George Kordaris (shown) is vice president/regional manager, New York region; and Merle Lindby is vice president, design and development, Knoll Textiles.

Lewis Zlotnick was promoted to director of business and marketing, Duffy Incorporated. **Noreen Rochford** was promoted to space programming manager.

Walter Carpets named Aaron Rios Los Angeles district manager.

Neville Lewis Associates announces the appointment of **John Lijewski** as vice president and managing principal, New York office.

Margie Hackett-McKee was appointed design director, Albuquerque office, Design-Interiors.



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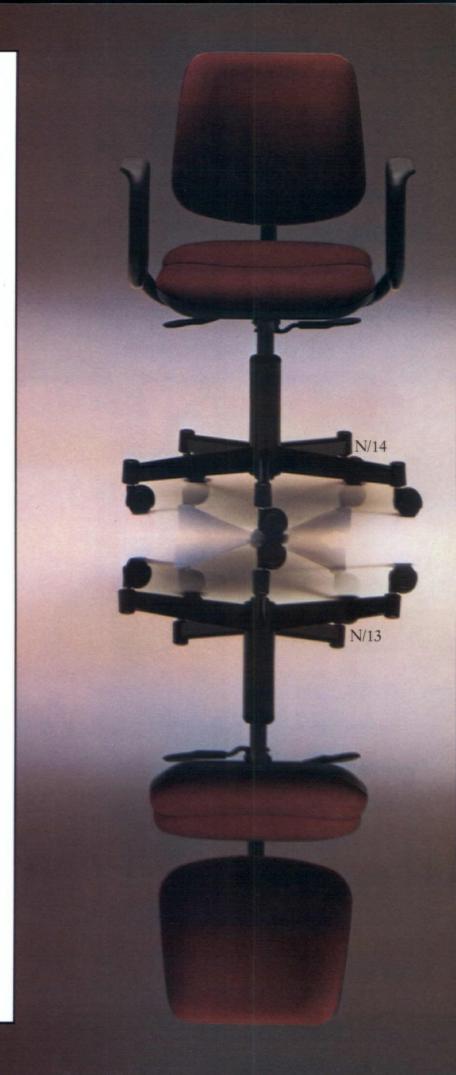


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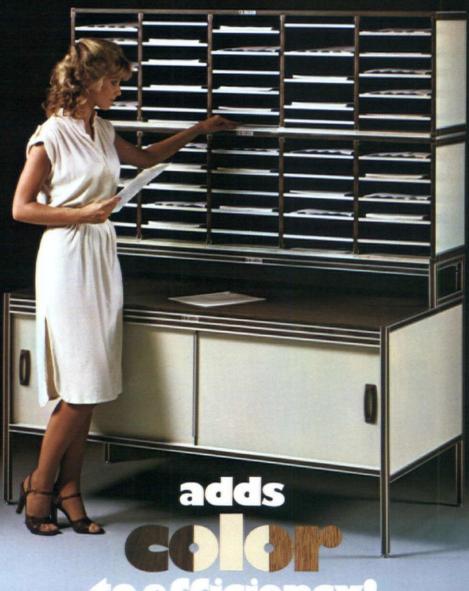
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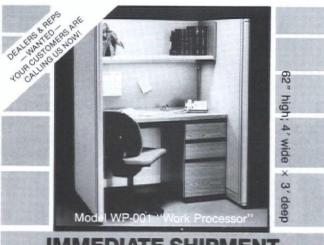
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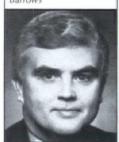
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PEOPLE/NEWS

Jake Gregory joined the Mohasco Carpet Corp. as director, product styling. He previously served in the areas of product development and manufacturing management.



Barrows



Trendway Corp. has appointed James E. Barrows (shown) as director of marketing.

F. Douglas Fonte (shown) has been named president, General Wallcoverings of New York.

Schumacher & Co. promoted Joseph Meth to treasurer and chief financial officer of the firm.

Bob Salrin was promoted to vice president, sales, Anderson.

Gary Beals was appointed vice president, marketing, Domore Corp.

Carl Gizzi is the new regional director in Boston for the Leonard Parker Company.

Alvin B. Bush has been elected president and chief operating officer, Galaxy Carpet Mills Inc. Dewey French was promoted to vice president, national accounts.

Stratton Industries promoted Harry L. Mills to group vice president, sales, and appointed Warren J. Kenney to vice president, sales. As new territory manager for the firm, Daniel J. Salerno will expand sales efforts in the western U.S., and Bob Shedd was appointed Houston contract sales rep.

Linda Gardner (shown) has been appointed national sales manager, Curtis Products Ltd.

Design principals Rhoda Russota (shown) and Rosalyn Cama announce the formation of an interior design firm, 270 Greens Farm Rd., Branford, CT.

Carlos Dominguez is the new director of marketing, Stow/Davis Furniture Co.

David L. Reid, group manager, general marketing, Herman Miller office/institutional div., was elected to the board of directors of Kandu Inds., Holland, Mich. The organization provides vocational assistance for the handicapped.



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Russota

Welton Becket Associates appointed these vice presidents to the firm's Los Angeles office: James Ver Hey, Daniel Chudnovsky, Philip Fisher, and James Takamune. Vice presidents appointed to the Chicago office are: David Stuhlmacher, Dennis Kunicki, and Al Ilekis. Peter Gorman, New York office, was named senior vice president.

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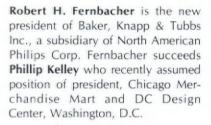
PEOPLE/NEWS

United Chair Co. has announced the promotion of **Dale Stewart** to manager of marketing services.

Two new sales managers have been appointed by Marazzi USA Inc. **Greg Brandt** will service the Northwestern states, while **Mike Ham** will service the Mid-Atlantic states.

Betsy Elliott (shown) is the new project manager, Design Collective Inc., Columbus, Oh. **Kate Wilson** (shown) has also joined the staff.

Ralph Johnson and Anthony McGuire were elected vice presidents of Perkins & Will Inc., Chicago. Johnson will continue as one of the firm's principal Chicago designers, while McGuire will carry out responsibilities of mechanical engineering department manager.





Elliott



Robert Lark, vice president, Cannell & Chaffin Commercial Interiors Inc., was named to head the firm's new contract furniture and systems division. Account executives for the division are **Lecy Callender** and **Geoffrey Wylde**.

Jo Strane and Kersteen Anders were appointed contract specialists for the Los Angeles area by Hollytex Carpet Mills.

Carl Ritsch, president, Carl Ritsch Leathers of Austria, and John W. Broere, vice president, J-B Associates, announced the formation of a sales and marketing team for Ritsch Upholstery Leathers in the United States.

A new design center for **Shelby Williams Industries** was announced by the firm's chairman, Manfred Steinfeld.

Regina S. Baraban was named executive vice president of Di-Leonardo International Inc. She will direct the firm's marketing programs and coordinate DiLeonardo's expansion in the hospitality design marketplace.



Charles P. Lazarou Jr. (shown) was named a partner and director, interior design, Haines Lundberg Waehler.

Mary Sue Kranstover has been named the new director of business planning, ISD Incorporated.

Steven Andrade is commercial specialist for the San Francisco office of Monroe Schneider Associates.

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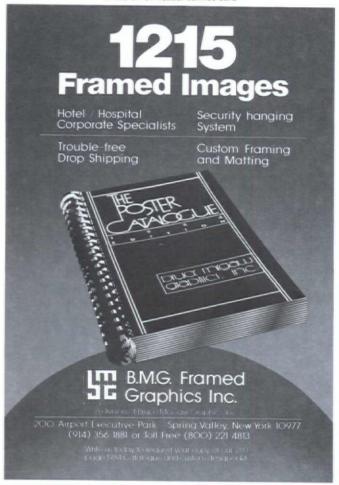


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March 19-24. FOSE '84, for office systems integration in government and industry. Convention Center, Washington, D.C.

March 22-24. WestWeek 1984 design market and conference. PDC 2/Pacific Design Center, Los Angeles.

March 26-27. Tools & Techniques For Facility Planners & Managers, Cornell University short course. Cornell Club, New York.

March 31-April 4. National Corporate Real Estate Executives 11th Annual Symposium & Exposition. Hyatt Regency, New Orleans.

April 9-11. Student Design Rally. Market Square, High Point, N.C.

April 10-12. American Institute for Design and Drafting's annual convention and technology exposition. Marriott Hotel, Anaheim, Calif.

April 12-14. National Contract Show. Cashman Center, Las Vegas. April 12-14. "Presentations Northwest '84 . . . East Meets Northwest." Design Center Northwest. Seattle, Wash.

April 12-14. "Interior Design: Integration of the Arts," annual conference for Interior Design Educators Council. Park Hilton Hotel, Seattle, Wash

April 13-14. NCIDQ tests, sponsored by the National Council for Interior Design Qualification. Locations announced upon registration. April 24-25. WORKSPACE 84, conference and exhibition for facilities planning, office design, and management. Moscone Center, San Francisco.

May 4. Varieties '84. The Marketplace, Philadelphia.

May 5-9. American Architecture and Its Public, National Convention of the American Institute of Architects. Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix Civic Plaza, Phoenix, Ariz.

May 6-8. Dal-Lux '84, Exposition of Commercial & Residential Lighting. Dallas Market Center, Dallas.

May 10-11. Design ADAC '84. Atlanta Decorative Arts Center, Atlanta.

May 10-13. 25th Annual Conference of the National Home Fashions League. Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.

May 13-15. CALICON, contract furniture/furnishings show. Western Merchandise Mart, San Francisco.

May 19-23. National Restaurant Show. McCormick Place, Chicago, June 4-7. A/E Systems '84, CAD/CAM conference and exposition. Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, Md.

June 12-14. INFO/SOFTWARE, applications and systems software exposition and conference. McCormick Place, Chicago.

June 12-15. NEOCON 16, World Congress On Environmental Planning & Design, Merchandise Mart. Chicago.

July 14-17. Int'l. Carpet Market. Atlanta Market Center, Atlanta.

August 4-7. The Industrial Designers Society of America's annual conference. University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.

August 16-19. American Society of Interior Designers annual convention and exhibition. Hyatt Regency, Chicago.

August 22-24. Second National Decorative Accessories Show.

Moscone Convention Center, San Francisco, Calif. **August 25-28.** International Woodworking Machinery & Furniture

August 25-28. International Woodworking Machinery & Furnitur Supply Fair. Georgia World Congress Center, Atlanta.

Foreign Trade Shows 1984

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April 5-8. INTERKIT, Third International Exhibition Of Kits & KD Furniture. Porte de Versailles Exhibition Center, Versailles, France. April 12-15. Farbe '84, International Exhibit On Colour Design & Colour Application. Munich, West Germany.

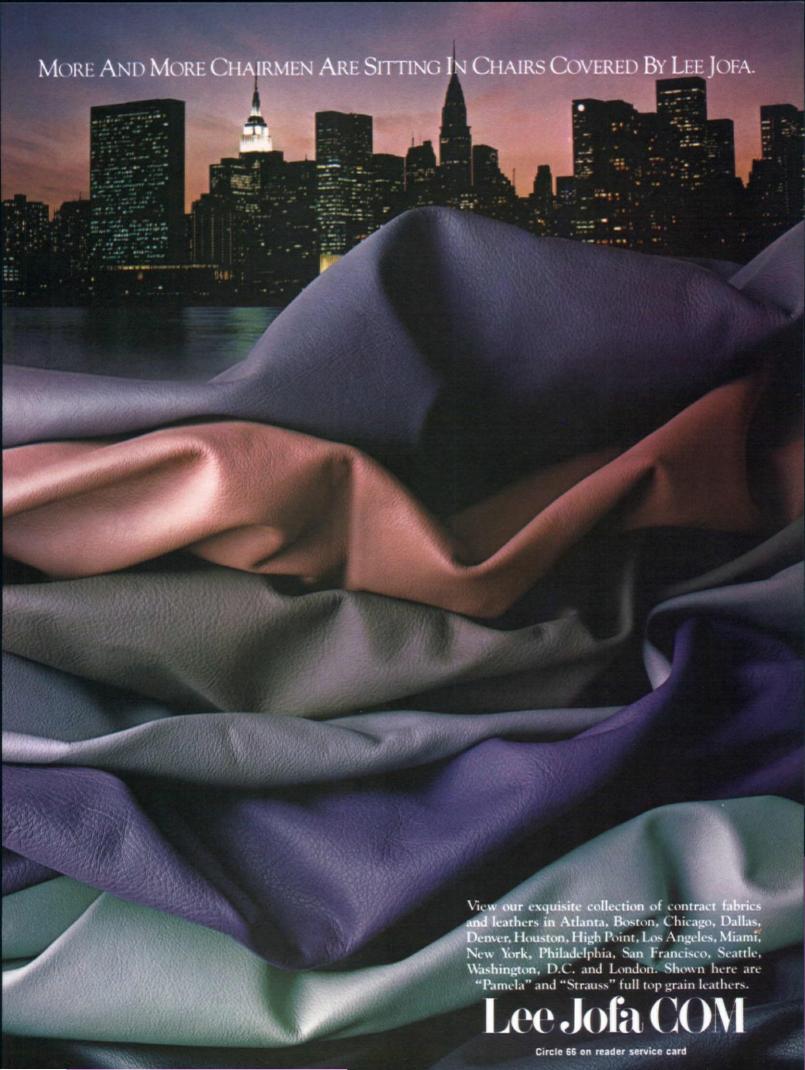
May 8-10. Buro, 12th Exhibition Of Office Machines/Office Furniture Organizational Methods & Drawing Techniques. Munich, West Germany.

May 9-13. Annual Scandinavian Furniture Fair. Bella Center, Copenhagen, Denmark.

May 13-17. Interior Design International. Olympia, London.

May 17-21. Star 84, 15th International Exhibition For Furnishings Textiles. Milan Fair Grounds, Milan, Italy.

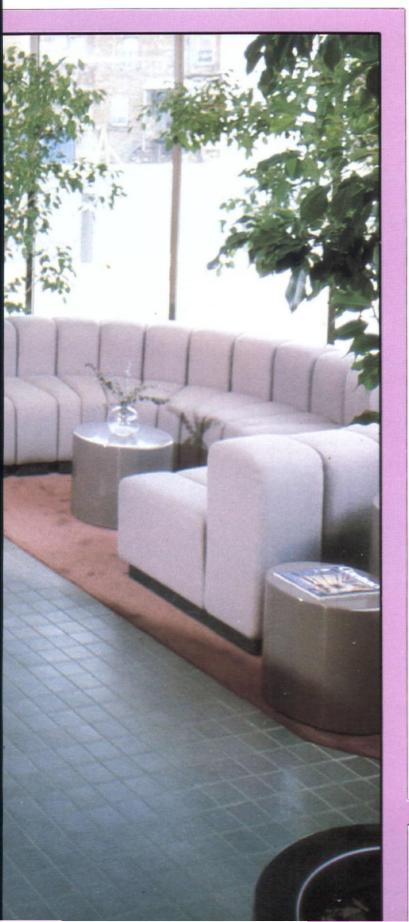
May 22-26. Oficomp Korea 84, International Korean Office & Information Management Exhibition & Conference. Korea Exhibition Center, Seoul.



OFFICE DESIGN



GROWTH IS VIGOROUS



Without exception, research that serves the office furniture, furnishings, and design industry projects vigorous growth into the mid-1990s. A beneficiary of changing demographics—conversion of the workforce in the United States from mostly blue collar to 65 percent white collar—office design must expand to meet the needs of that growing number of workers.

Design of those workplaces, however, is being deeply influenced by 20th century technology aimed at upgrading office productivity, function, and appearance in the application of new office equipment, furniture, and furnishings. Articles and columns in this issue deal with that thrust. We hope the coverage proves useful. —The Editors

Virginia Education Loan Authority (V.E.L.A.) reception area combines a humane environment with advanced information management techniques. Article starts on following page.

CRT USER DESIGN BOOSTS MORALE

Environmental controls spur productivity while softening new office technology

ubtle color solutions and space planning that permits flexibility address the issue of worker productivity in new interiors for the Virginia Education Loan Authority (V.E.L.A.), Richmond. Janet Kane Interiors and Edward H. Winks Architecture collaborated to create a space that fosters efficient operational workflow and accommodates changes in office growth and expansion. A key client requirement was the need to incorporate computerization into the work environment. The interior design team therefore designed workstations and surrounding treatments to conform to the needs of CRT users.

Workstations designed in a 6- by 6-ft. dimension perform well in trapezoidal configurations used throughout the space. The overall cluster of trapezoids yields an exciting interior landscape. In addition, these workstations allow smooth transition for workers in day and evening shifts.

Boosting personnel morale and enhancing the incentive of employees, is a color scheme based on esthetic as well as practical planning. Explains Janet Kane, firm principal, Janet Kane Interiors, "With simplicity in mind, we determined a color selection that was of a subtle chroma in soft hues of aqua, mauve, violet, and neutral grays. This selection was used throughout the project in upholstery, wallcoverings, art work, and workstation fabric panels."

Gray was employed for interior elements of workstations to reduce the problem of veiling reflections, eye fatigue, and glare. Consistent with this thinking, artwork pieces were chosen for their understatement of color and designed to humanize interior spaces. Project manager and fiber artist Stefan Bruce was commissioned to produce a piece for the corridor leading to the boardroom. The final work echoes the geometric rhythm of the overall project.

Loan authority offices span 20,000 sq. ft. on three floors of a new building. A combination of open and conventional walled offices was employed, with the first and second floors dedicated to open plan, and the third, executive level to walled offices, board room, and conference space. Open plan resolved a density problem caused by the client's need to incorporate several workstations in a small amount of space.

Control of environmental conditions and their effect upon CRT workers was a key project goal. A large window area on the southeast wall led the designer and architect to employ heavy overhangs to regulate natural light. Horizontal blinds were installed to obtain additional thermal and lighting control for workers. Lighting uses fluorescent drop fixtures in a grid ceiling with normal lenses.

The building shape is triangular, conforming to an irregularly shaped lot. Within the parameters of shape and size, work areas function with minimum waste of space. Comments V.E.L.A.'s executive director, Eugene Cattie, "The new image has boosted personnel morale by 300 percent." □





Soft, subtle chroma were employed in color schemes for the Virginia Education Loan Authority, Richmond, as indicated in views of reception area and open plan workstations. Colors were chosen for their adaptability to CRT use, diminishing problems of veiling reflections, eye fatigue, and glare. Understatement of design treatments humanizes the automated work environment.

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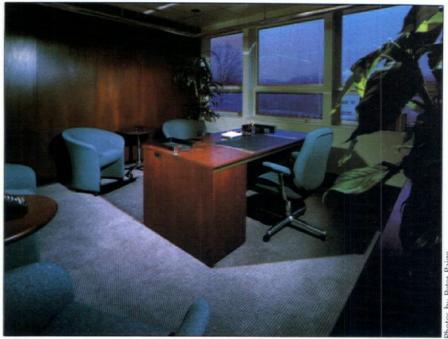
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Interior Design—Janet E. Kane, project administrator; Stefan E. Bruce, project manager; Janet Kane Interiors, Richmond, Va. Architecture—Edward H. Winks Architecture, Richmond, Va.





Photos by Nancy Croft and Lou Bayles



NEW IMAGE HAS RHYTHM & STYLE

Joint venture planning eases firm's move

n open plan system, various lighting effects, and muted colors have been successfully combined to bring a new look to Westco Insurance Group, Ramsey, N.J. The effect achieved is a rhythmical blend of style and stability in interiors.

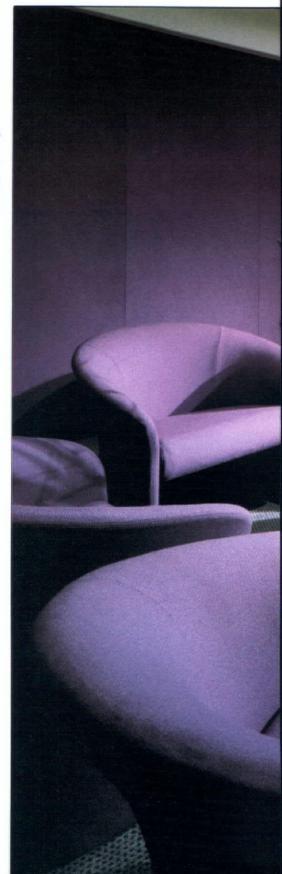
"The idea was for a new look for a 'new' company," says Will Ching, Will Ching Planning & Design, who, in a joint venture with William Walther, William Walther, Architect, redesigned the two-floor, 20,000-sq.-ft. space. "Westco was expanding and reorganizing and wanted a new image to reflect those changes. The firm also wanted to make a minimal investment in structural work as the major investment would come in the form of furnishings and artwork."

After conducting more than 60 interviews with Westco employees, Ching and Walther determined that an open plan system would best suit the firm's needs. It would maintain a "family" feeling among staff, provide for growth, and "give the option that 10 years down the road from now, they could pick up and move," says Walther. Such flexibility was considered key to the planning effort.

Panels delineate departments

Acoustical panels in 63- and 30-in, heights divide workstations and delineate departments as well as reduce noise and provide privacy. On the building's second floor, a wall physically separates a filing area from the rest of the space. Cut into the wall are large, low-cut windows and smaller high-cut windows which maintain a visual openness and provide a sense of outdoor light.

Chrome fluorescent tube lighting is featured throughout the space, while incandescent lighting is used in the conference room and corridors. A special lighting situation presented itself in the filing area where a majority of older employees worked in one-half of the space and a majority of younger employees worked in





Will Ching (this page, far left), Will Ching Planning & Design, and William Walther (near left), William Walther, Architect, harmonized muted colors with various lighting techniques to bring a new image to Westco Insurance Group. These techniques are illustrated in reception room (below) and senior vice president's office (opp. page).



Open plan provides for company growth

the other half. Because the filing system is color coded, the older employees needed a brighter environment—too bright for the younger employees—in which to distinguish colors such as blue from purple. The Ching/Walther team solved the problem with installation of separate on-off switches for overhead ambient and task lighting systems and installation of task lighting at individual workstations.

Color selection was based on Westco's desire for a "neutral scheme with some color." Executive offices primarily use brown, gray, teal, and rust, while open areas employ lavender, wine, and teal. A subtle hierarchy for executive personnel was achieved through application of color, wood, and furniture size as well as quantity.

For example, teal carpeting, mahogany panelling and furniture, brown and gray sofas, and a leather high-back swivel chair are featured in the president's office. A dusty-teal colored partition separates work space from lounge space, and the partition houses a bar on its lounge side. On the work side, reveal lines line up to a niche featuring a mahogany shelf, credenza, and adjacent worksurface.

Subtle hierarchy through color

Gray carpeting with red and teal pin dots is used in the senior vice president's office, along with mahogany panelling and furniture. The swivel chair is the same as the president's chair except it is a fabric-covered version. Open areas feature the gray pin dot carpeting, oak furniture, teal columns, and lavender panels.

Located in a second-floor corner below the president's office is the Westco lunchroom and staff lounge. In addition to having "the best view," the lunchroom is twice the size of the previous lunchroom. This was done "to assure the staff that they weren't getting shoved aside in the move," Walther says.

Plants, white walls and cabinets, and wine-colored tables and chairs brighten the room, and large windows provide plenty of daylight. A white partition houses cabinets and separates dining and lounge areas.

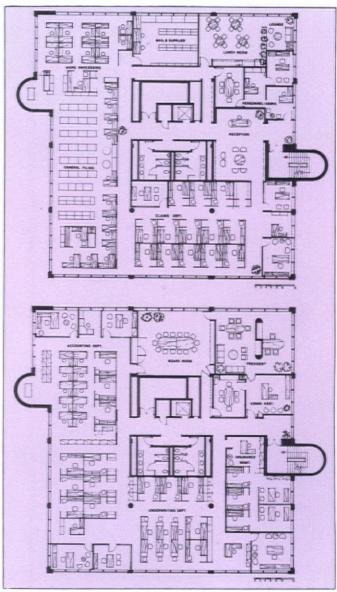
By knocking out a stairwell, Ching and Walther increased Westco's useable space by about 500 to 600 sq. ft. The change was later incorporated by the building's owner into other buildings of similar design. Hump-shaped spaces left by the stairwell house copiers on both floors. Most traffic into the building is through an east-side stairwell while another stairwell and elevator are centrally located. □

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Architects/designers—Will Ching, Will Ching Planning & Design; William Walther, William Walther, Architect. Developer/builder—Ronald Pagano, Heritage Office Centers.





Open plan workstations (opp. page and below, right) and filing room (below, left) remain visually open through use of acoustical panels. Ceiling-height partition divides president's office (bottom) into work and lounge areas. Chrome tubing provides ambient light throughout.







FIRST MIAMI LAW FIRM OFFICE REFLECTS IDENTITY & LOCALE

Art Deco motifs & grid patterns establish contemporary image



Materials employed in first Miami office for Holland & Knight law firm reflect those applied throughout the Interterra Building, including slate, granite, stainless steel, lacquer, and ebonized oak. Art Deco motifs are lightened by glass walls and doors, many of which afford dramatic views of Biscayne Bay. Grid motif and heavy use of tile contribute to contemporary, yet sedate, office spaces.





or law firm Holland & Knight, establishing a presence in the Miami market area meant creating an office interiors program that reflected the firm's national integrity while appealing to local esthetics.

Answering both requirements is a prevailing Art Deco motif that reflects a recent trend to rejuvenate that style period in the Southeast region. A grid motif, heavy use of tile, and ebonized woods contribute to contemporary, yet sedate, office spaces.

In addition, an internal staircase connecting three floors of the firm, a conference room and breakout "caucus" room, plus a private telephone booth for visitor use, are treatments offering functional flair to the space. The phone booth has become a design signature for interior planners Gwen Wishman Design Associates Inc., Ft. Lauderdale. For Wishman, a specialist in law firm interiors, this was the 30th project completed for a legal concern.

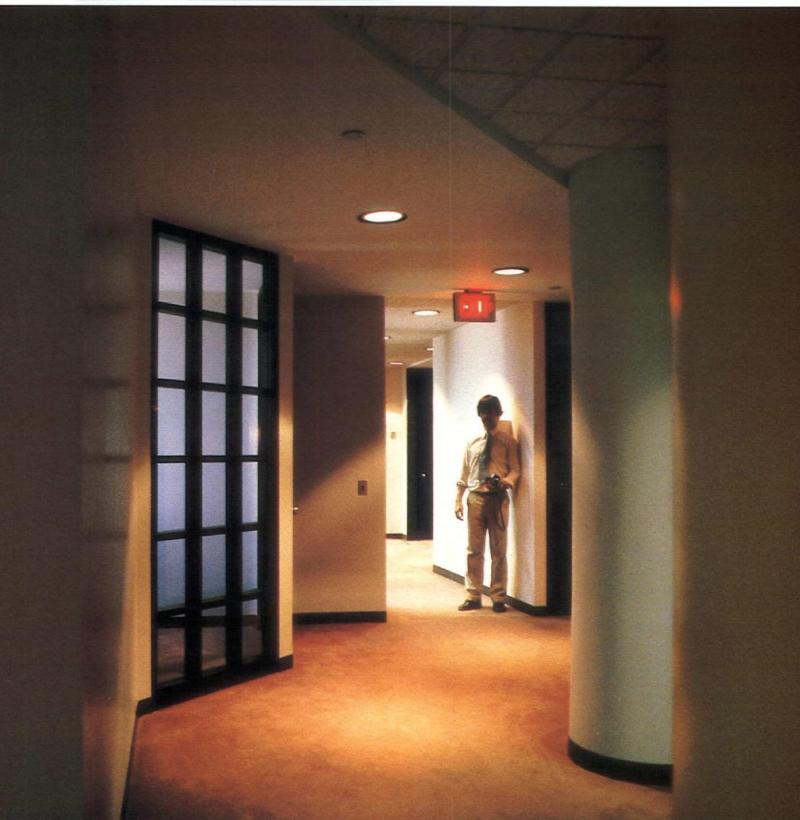
Materials used in the newly constructed Interterra Building, site of the firm's offices, are employed in interiors. Finishes throughout include slate, granite, stainless steel, lacquer, natural cherrywood, and ebonized oak. The renaissance of Art Deco in the community is announced by the use of piers and light boxes in elevator lobbies. Pastels employed on walls and in carpeting are silhouetted by ebonized doors and custom cabinetry.

Offices comprise three floors in 35,000 sq. ft., affording dramatic views of Biscayne Bay. Interior glass walls and doors permit borrowed light to penetrate interiors in the form of reflections from the water below. The conference room on the executive floor has a wall of bullet-proof glass which permits soundproofing while lending visitors views of the bay and its commercial traffic. Offices, conference rooms, and the library appear to float in the water below.

Contributing to a feeling of fluidity in the space is the building's butterfly shape which was softened by Wishman through use of curved and directional walls. One interior of-

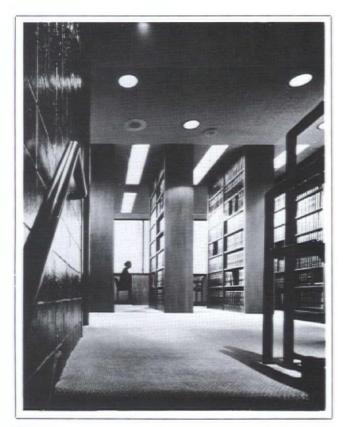


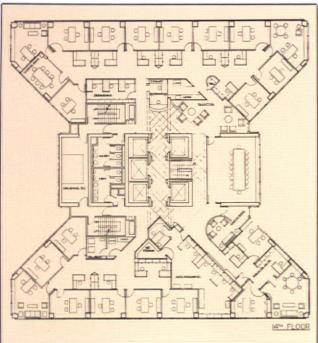
Interior glass walls and doors permit borrowed light to penetrate space. Conference room (left) has a wall of bullet-proof glass that permits sound proofing and affords dramatic views. Curved and directional walls (below) create feeling of fluidity throughout. Library offers views of the bay (opp. page, top). Plan view of 14th floor shows building's butterfly shape—a challenge to designers.



HOLLAND & KNIGHT

Design affords exterior view





fice area contains 15 wall planes and three curved walls.

Spectacular views of the ocean are provided at the top of an internal staircase in the 14th floor lobby area. From this vantage point, the water views can be enjoyed through clear glass expanses of conference room walls.

Internal staircase a bonus

Staircase design grew out of the building owner's decision to omit one of six planned elevators. Stairs provide the convenience of not having to wait for and use elevators constantly; they serve to integrate the firm's three floors into one office suite.

The stairwell is fitted with the prevailing tile motif. Comments Gwen Wishman, firm principal, "We did have to slant the header to obtain correct height clearance for the stair codes. In addition, the concrete filling of the former elevator shaft had to be chiseled out for the staircase.

"But, it was worth all the trouble because firm employees appreciated having the option to use stairs when time is at a premium."

The grid tile employed in this area is repeated in the main reception area on the 14th floor. Three sizes of Buckingham slate were used. A 6-, 12-, and 18-in. dimension is applied to the reception desk, wall, and floor, respectively. Pier light boxes use a 6-in. tile. Slate is sealed with silicon, permitting a matte gloss.

Rose and gray pastel colorations are used to offset black detailing on door frames and cabinets. Carpeting custom-designed by Gwen Wishman employs a dusty rose background with gray pin dot in public areas, reversing to gray with rose dots in conference areas. Some furnishings, including the cherrywood table in the main conference room, employ a pink finish. Wall colors are pastel.

On the 12th floor, a library offers study areas with views of Biscayne Bay, a research room, librarian's office and work room. Floor 11 features an employee lunch room located behind the reception area. It is decorated with an Art Decomural and is fitted with full-service appliances for serving meals to personnel as well as visitors.

"I chose Art Deco to blend into the Miami community and history," says Wishman. "The style exemplifies the strength of past history. Because this is a conservative firm, the treatments are subtle." Also representative of the Florida design style, original art by Florida artists is employed throughout, using realistic, abstract, and impressionistic themes.

SOURCES

Seating:—Stendig, Helikon, Brayton, Knoll, Cartwright, Brickel, Dunbar, Stow/Davis, Harter, iil. Desks—Knoll, Stow/Davis, Modern Mode, Helikon, Hardwood House, iil. Tables—Intrex, Hardwood House, Stow/Davis, Brueton, Helikon, iil. Library furniture—Tuohy. Workstations—Knoll. Files—Storwal. Lighting—Habitat, Lightolier, Legion Lighting, Edison Price. Accessories—Architectural Supplements, Smith Metal Arts, Peter Pepper Products, Silk Flower Workshop. Art—Reece Galleries, Art Boutique. Carpeting—Custom by Hugh Nelson. Fabrics—Design Tex, Knoll, Maharam, Jack Lenor Larsen. Blinds—LouverDrape. Hardware—Schlage. Ceiling tile—Armstrong. Floor & wall tile—Buckingham Slate.

Architecture & Interior design—Gwen Wishman, principal in charge and interior designer, Gwen Wishman Design Associates Inc., Ft. Lauderdale. Architect—Michael J. Riley. Furniture dealer—Furniture Consultants Inc.

SKYLIGHTS POWER PASSIVE SOLAR SYSTEM AT CHICAGO FIRM

Materials gather warmth from skylights, trim lighting costs & energy expenditure "Use of solar power indicates that the firm is sensitive to . . . limited resources . . . a quality which makes A & R more attractive to clients and the community."

-SCHIRN



uilding-width skylights help fuel a passive solar system at A & R Security, Chicago. As designed by Janet Schirn Interiors, the facility uses heat-collecting finish materials and colors which absorb solar light and warmth brought in by skylights to promote energy savings 24 hours a day.

Skylights run the width of the facility's 4,500-sq.-ft. general office and comprise one of two angles of a saw-tooth roof. Motorized thin-slat blinds monitor glare while allowing sunlight to illuminate and warm the area. Employees control artificial light in accordance with varying degrees of sunlight via multi-circuitry and rheostats located near workstations.

Simultaneously, ceramic tile, insulating shutters, and deep-toned walls and surfaces store solar heat and release it throughout the firm's 24-hour workday. Nighttime lighting expenses are thereby balanced by heat cost savings for greater energy-efficiency all day long.

Owners of seven power plants throughout the surrounding area, A & R management felt that its office headquarters should offset high energy consumption at these other locations. Says Schirn, principal, Janet Schirn Interiors, Chicago, "Use of solar power indicates that the company is sensitive to the problem of limited resources. This quality makes A & R more attractive to clients and the community."

Interiors dictate architect choice

Space planners were influential in selecting an architect. Since interior plans were conceived before an architect was hired, emphasis was placed on finding an architectural firm—Thomas E. Carpenter, AIA, & Assoc.—which would follow the energy-conserving theme.

Building levels are differentiated through means of a berm (solar-conserving dirt which is piled up to insulate the structure). Inside, a floor grid enables placement of several workstations in configurations which correspond to overhead lighting grids. This plan allows lighting to be multi-patterned and to vary with the sun's angle to permit adequate task illumination with maximum cost reduction.

Another problem faced by designers was visual integration of staff functions. As many employees are field security officers, they are in the office only for weekly meetings and to collect pay. Nonetheless, management wanted them to feel that they are an integral part of the company, even if they are not on-site most of the time.

Comments Schirn, "Pinpointed but intense color seemed to offer the best solution. Walls, floors, and ceilings are neutral,

as well as rugged and maintenance-free to withstand use by this group of 25 to 50 men. Panel exteriors, employee seating, guest chair upholstery, and a painted overhead strip are colored taupe, orange, and burgundy to add interest and brighten interiors for those who work the night shift. Durable stacking chairs in the same colors are brought out for field officers and create a harmony of function for those men."

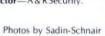


Since A & R Security's business is crime control, many elements of the facility had to be secure. A lie-detector room features minimum equipment; small tables bring people face-to-face; fabric-lined walls seal out noise. Textured panel and upholstery fabric in employee offices provide high acoustic absorption. Structural elements were designed to adapt to newer security devices.

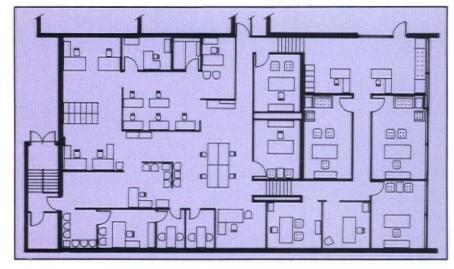
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Desk—Hon, Designcraft. Chairs—Krueger, Hon, Harter. Partitions—Harter. Lighting—Halo. Carpet—Carson Pirie Scott. Ceramic tile—Structural Stoneware. Ceiling panels—US Gypsum. Blinds—Levolor. Plants—Greenhouse on Buckingham. Desk Accessories—Compaxx, MacDonald Duk-it.

Interior design—Janet Schirn, ASID, principal-incharge; Michael Cuttie, ASID, project manager; Janet Schirn Interiors. Architecture—Thomas E. Carpenter, AIA & Assoc. Contractor—A & R Security.



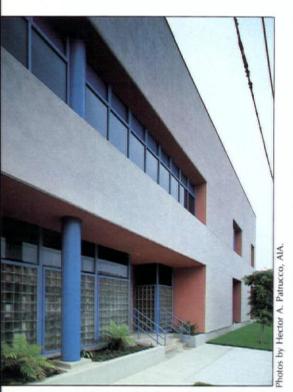






USERS, CLIENTS, ENVIRONMENT ADDRESSED BY OFFICE PLAN

Industrial, Asian motifs provide subdued working background, permit neighbors & foreign clients to relate to office space



Exterior architecture (above) incorporates glass block walls and cylindrical columns in an industrial motif. Natural light is maximized throughout second floor office areas. Exposed ceiling design permits light to circulate freely and gives an industrial appearance to the space (opp. page).

ndustrial and Asian design motifs specified for an apparel importer's offices create an ambience that is homogeneous with nearby surroundings, yet familiar to foreign clients. However, space planning also generates a subdued working atmosphere that counterbalances high-paced office activities.

Large, open plan work areas are fitted with skylights and exposed trusses in Inter-Pacific Corp.'s Los Angeles office facility. Employed to imitate the look of nearby factory interiors, this treatment correlates with glass block architecture which reflects the neighborhood's industrial mode.

Planners expressed a second, complementary theme by using circular windows and a sculptured stairwell which evoke the mood of Japanese structures. As a result, offices feature the bright, quiet, and fluid environment offered by Asian design and desired by owners.

Security provisions influence planning

Designed and built by Santa Monica architectural firm, Widom/Wein & Partners, and its interiors division, Interarc, the two-story facility incorporates a first-floor showroom/warehouse and second-story offices in 15,000 sq. ft. According to planners, this layout addressed clients' security concerns—a major influence considered by planners in office design.

By displaying and storing goods at ground level, planners were able to surround window walls with glass block which prevents viewing of interiors from outside. This treatment also eased transport of merchandise from trucks and warehouses to showroom space.

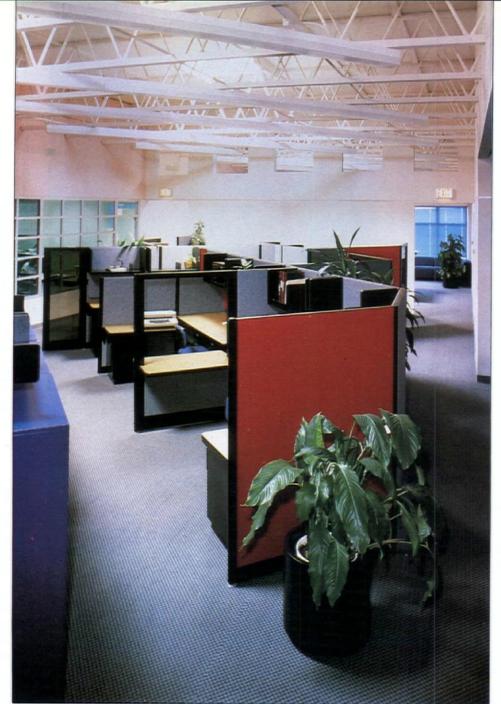
Because the facility serves a small number of visitors, reception areas and offices could be located on the second floor without disrupting business traffic. Since upstairs security worries are at a minimum, these spaces were provided with clear, glass windows which maximize natural illumination.

To draw visitors upstairs, designers created a sculptured stairwell which relates to Japanese design motifs. Planners crafted the stairwell wall in a stepped pattern which adds to ceiling height—a technique repeated in open plan offices by means of exposted trusses and latticework.

Hectic work pace combatted by subdued colors

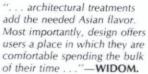
Open plan offices incorporate burgundy panels that accent subdued decor. Panels are acoustical to combat activity levels maintained in offices throughout the day. To further tone down background elements, planners specified cool white, gray, and steel blue color schemes which relate to the building's exterior design. Touches of pink are bridges to deep burgundies; they avoid jarring color contrast. (Continued)







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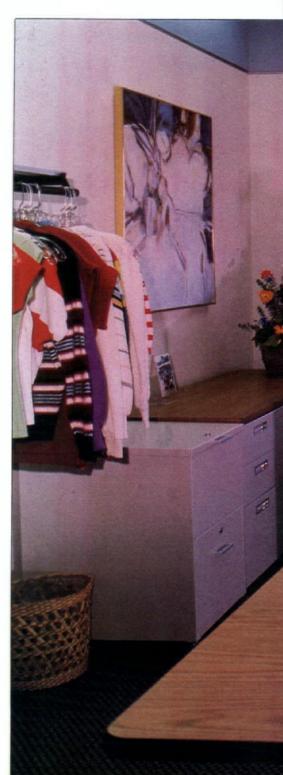




Exposed trusses, skylights maximize natural light

The various treatments employed in planning Inter-Pacific Corp.'s offices earned Widom/Wein an honor award from the California Council of the American Society of American Registered Architects. Comments firm principal Chester Widom, "The space responds to a number of client requirements in an economical way. While the owners wanted a contemporary space, they did not want it to be highly styled. They also desired planning that distinguishes an office facility, yet reflects the industrial atmosphere of the surrounding area.

"The glass block exterior/interior architectural treatments and an exposed structural system serve this purpose cost-effectively while adding the needed Asian flavor. Most importantly, the design offers users a place in which they are comfortable spending a large amount of their time."



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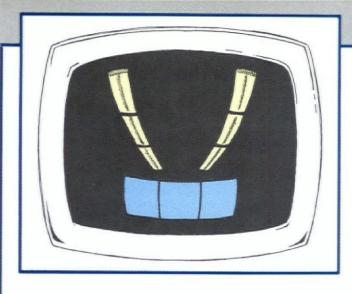
Seating, reception desk, open plan furnishings, desks, filing—G.F. Furniture Systems. Lighting—Prudential, Lightolier. Skylights—Bristol Fiberlite Inds. Wallcoverings—Vicrtex. Carpeting—Commercial Carpeting. Trusses—Trusjoist Corp. Window System—Aquilla Aluminum Corp. Window treatments—Levolor. Plants—Rose Marie Landscaping. Planters—Architectural Fiberglass Inds. Ceiling—Armstrong. Display Shelving—Emco.

Architecture—Widom/Wein & Partners. Interior Design—Interarc, interior design and space planning div., Widom/Wein & Partners; Chester Widom, AIA, partner-in-charge; George Wein, AIA; Carolyn Krall, AIA; Timothy D. Thomas, AIA; project team. General contractor—Jefferson House. Structural consultants—Johan A. Martin & Assoc. Electrical consultants—Cohen and Pascoe Inc. Mechanical consultants—Hellmann and Lober.

Circular windows (below) and a stepped stairwell wall are among design elements that mirror Asian architectural treatments in Inter-Pacific's offices. Skylights are patterned to increase illumination at open plan workstations (opp. page).

Photos by Richard J. Levy





REFLECTIVE LIGHT SOURCES MUST BE CONTROLLED FOR VDU INSTALLATIONS

Correct lighting in offices using video display terminals can eliminate eye-fatigue & reflectance problems

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ight or dark worksurfaces and disturbing reflections on video display units (VDUs) are two of the basic lighting problems that must be solved in office design.

Spaces using VDUs require lighting that accommodates three visual tasks: reading text on a screen; operating a keyboard; and reading from, or writing on, paper. Such tasks are apt to have backgrounds alternately light and dark colored, that are oriented horizontally and vertically, and which have shiny reflective surfaces—three conditions affecting vision factors.

For the lighting designer, meeting such conditions presents a demanding challenge.

Fast eye adaptations needed

Typically, text on the VDU generally is presented as bright letters on a dark background, while the document being used to process data for the computer generally consists of black characters on a white background. The operator looks alternately at both, so that the eye is called upon to adapt to a wide range of brightness and readjust to a dark background within seconds.

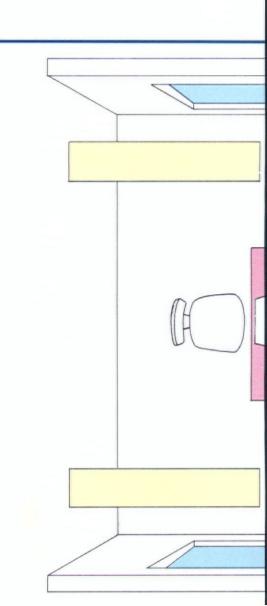
Eye fatigue results and details on the screen become harder to perceive. A more problematic seeing situation can occur when the operator is seated facing bright windows or very bright walls. Overhead lights located within the operator's field of view can also contribute to adaptation problems.

Other lighting interference in the office environment can occur with reflections emanating from bright surfaces that obscure the image on the screen. Windows behind the operator contribute to the reflected glare problem if intervention techniques are not taken.

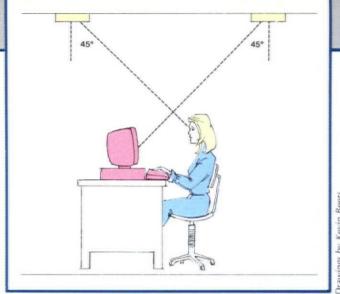
Must avoid sharp contrasts

The most common source of reflection, however, is overhead lighting that creates highly luminous areas, such as 2-ft. by 4-ft. lensed troffers. Other sources of screen reflections are bright furniture, highly reflective walls, and operators wearing light and dark clothing. In addition, other VDUs in the immediate area, pictures on walls, and glass partitions behind the operator offer distracting reflections. Any sharp contrast of colors, or light and dark surfaces, must be avoided.

Two acceptable means to light a space housing VDUs are provided by indirect lighting for high ceilings and direct brightness-controlled lighting for



Parabolic louvers cut off reflective light sources at about 45° and beyond (r.). Light fixtures are best located at sides of workstations to minimize reflections on VDU screens (below).



low ceilings in an installation.

A properly designed indirect system is the best type of lighting for the office environment. It eliminates visible light sources and provides a high-quality visual environment.

Indirect system best

Well-designed optical lenses in fixtures are necessary to distribute a wide pattern on the ceiling, precluding hot spots of very high luminance. A uniformly lighted ceiling will insure uniform luminances on vertical surfaces, thereby eliminating disturbing screen reflectances.

If the ceiling height is not sufficient for indirect installation, a system of low-brightness luminaires should be used. Parabolic louvers cut off the light source image at about 45 degrees. Beyond that zone, luminance reflectance from the fixture is minimum.

Parabolic luminaires exist with varying distribution patterns and louver finishes. Studies have shown that only

fixtures with specular louvers, having very low luminance above 50 to 60 degrees from vertical, should be used for VDU lighting to avoid visual discomfort reflectances on the screen. If parabolic louvered fixtures are used, care should be taken to illuminate vertical surfaces, such as partitions and walls, to minimize contrast.

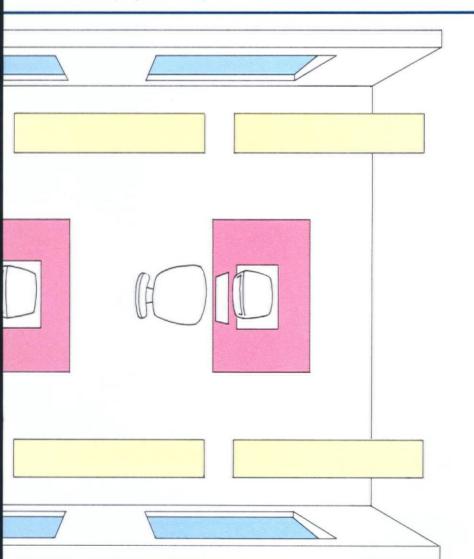
Quality vs. quantity of light

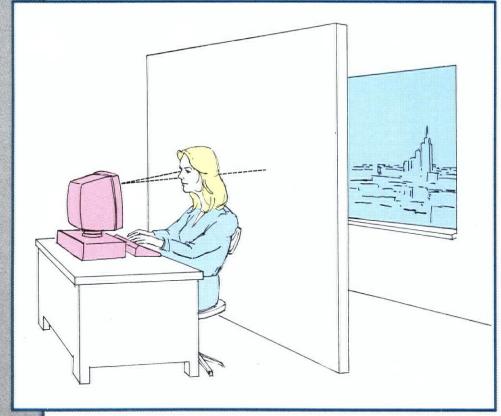
While a high level of visual comfort is necessary when working with VDUs—a function of the quality of light—the quantity of light provided is also very important. Conventional office tasks should be illuminated adequately to enable quick and accurate performance. From 50-to-70 footcandles are optimum, according to researchers. This level assures that light will be low enough to avoid reflectance, while allowing sufficient contrast on the VDU screen. When written text is not employed, 30-to-50 footcandles will usually suffice.

Finishes on horizontal and vertical surfaces should not be extremely light or dark. The luminance ratio between task and immediate surround should not exceed three-to-one. Thus, if a screen has an average luminance of eight footlamberts (fL), readings of the area around the VDU should be within three-to-24 fL.

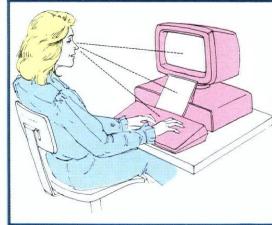
Ceiling heights figure in

Given a footcandle level of 50 and a task involving the reading of black type on white paper, the luminance would range from 25-to-45 fL on vertical and horizontal surfaces. Preferred luminance of the surrounding task area might be 20 fL. At 50 footcandles, colors should be used that have a reflectance of 40 percent—perhaps medium gray or





Neutral-colored screen (l.) blocks sky reflection on VDU. Screen, copy, and keyboard locations (below) should minimize reflective light.



LIGHT CONTROL

Reflections are minimized from sides

beige would be appropriate.

Lighting design for offices with VDUs begins with consideration of ceiling heights. Larger spaces with suspended, indirect fixtures usually require at least 8-ft., 6-in. ceilings. Smaller spaces with indirect or partially indirect luminaires that are mounted to walls or partitions and furniture can use ceilings as low as 7-ft., 6-in.

VDUs should be located so that windows are on the side walls, not in front or in back of the operator. If direct lighting fixtures are used in an installation, they should be oriented parallel to the operator's line of sight.

Brightness relationships in the entire office environment must be considered to include office furniture, partitions, walls, and furnishings. Diffuse finishes should be specified wherever possible.

Mirror on the VDU

In existing installations, placing a mirror on the VDU screen can help to locate a reflection problem quickly. Neutral-colored, opaque screens can be placed between the VDU and the source of reflection to provide a barrier to reflectance discovered by means of using the mirror.

Window treatments can also soften and diffuse light. Vertical fabric blinds or light-diffusing drapes are effective solutions. Note, however, that by simply blocking windows and cutting off visual contact with the outdoors, you can create a gloomy atmosphere that solves one problem and creates another.

A well-designed lighting installation should preclude the use of corrective devices. For example, when placed over the screen, filters can make adaptation more difficult. Hoods fitted over terminals can be used to block sources of reflection, but they make it harder for the operator to look back and forth between screen and documents. Neutral-colored smocks can be useful in dampening the reflection of operators wearing bright-colored clothing.

When specifying VDUs, consider displays that have dark characters on a white or light background. Reflections on the screen are less apt to be seen and the light-to-dark adaptation problem will be lessened. Screens should have brightness and contrast controls, as well as adjustment for vertical and horizontal axes. Horizontal support surfaces providing adjustability can also help eliminate reflections.

FURNITURE SYSTEMS DOMINATE OFFICE MARKET

Modular components & panel systems offer application flexibility

Fantoni USA—All panels in the modular 45 Series have 45-degree angle edges. Desk tops are available in oak veneer with solid oak edges.

Circle No. 320.

Cumberland—1450 Conference Table Group features mirror chrome base with black trim. Available in cross and T-configurations. Circle No. 221.

Wright Line—PC Workcenter features roll-out keyboard shelf, sliding printer drawer with self-feeding paper tray, and locking hide-away tambour door.

Circle No. 235.

Hardwood House—Avatar Wall-Mounted Credenza features tambour doors and interior options, including shelves and dividers. **Circle No. 225.**

Scope Furniture Inc.—Leather and steel sofa is accented with tufting and is available in five sizes. **Circle No. 322.**







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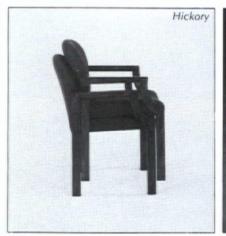
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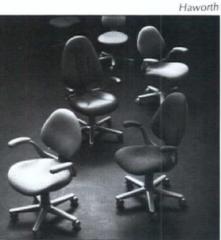
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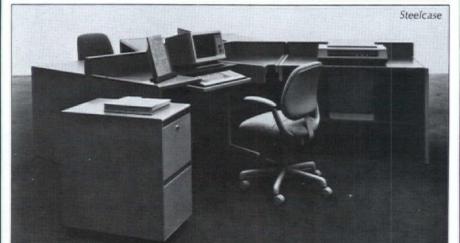
Options in furniture finishes expand















Brayton International—The Signum casegood series features sliding drawers, large worksurfaces, and easy-care fronts. **Circle No. 258.**

All-Steel—Panel-hung drawing board features an extruded aluminum pencil tray. Circle No. 238.

Kimball—The Radiante seating collection includes high-back version of the executive swivel-tilt chair and new sled-base guest chairs. **Circle No. 253.**

Hickory Business Furniture—Stacking Arm Chair is available in seven cherry wood lacquer finishes. Circle No. 281.

Haworth Inc.—Two new generations of SystemSeating feature seamless one-piece fabric upholstery. Circle No. 220.

Steelcase—Ultronic 9000 line of computer-support furniture includes a mobile pedestal, printer stand, and keyboard shelf. **Circle No. 257.**







Pace-#8000 Executive Double Pedestal Desk offers curved polished stainless steel and a choice of exotic woods. Pedestals feature file drawers, box drawers, writing insert, and locking devices. Circle No. 229.

Hesco-Veneer patterns on round Transitional Conference table may be specified in either quartered ribbon or quartered sunburst patterns.

Circle No. 331.

Mueller-NeoChair collection includes open-arm swivel chairs, a cantilevered guest chair, and a closed-arm guest chair. Circle No. 240.

Office Suites Inc.—The OV executive desk series features a detail of mitered top and end panels with a 45-degree undercut bevel. Circle No. 230.

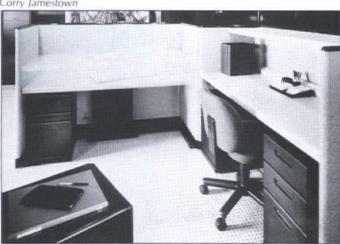
Corry Jamestown-A motorized adjustable worksurface is operated via pushbutton control. Available surfaces include wood and laminate.

Circle No. 273.

Edward Axel Roffman-The 779U Executive Pull-up Chair is 24-in. wide, 24-in. deep and 32-in. high. It is available in cherry wood and various finishes, including mahogany, walnut, and natural cherry. Circle No. 264.



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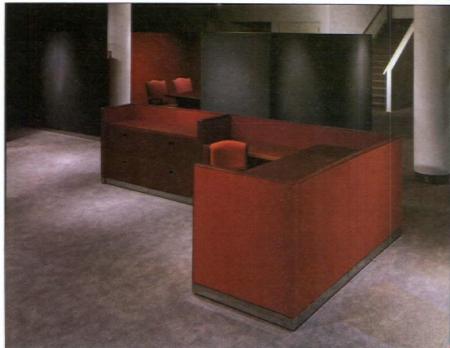


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Worksurfaces are adjustable



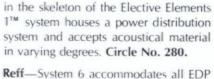




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Precision



Stow/Davis-The welded steel frame

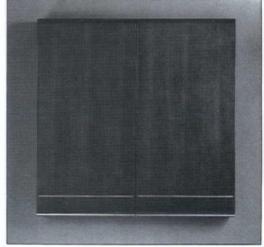
Reff—System 6 accommodates all EDP and communications technology and is available in a variety of wood finishes. **Circle No. 283.**

Panel Concepts—System 2 Plus offers an optional turntable in two sizes; 18-by 18-in., and 18- by 27-in.

Circle No. 254.

Davis Furniture Industries Inc.—Radius visuals are available in oak and walnut veneers, and solids in all Davis standard finishes. Circle No. 277.

Precision—Ergodata features a mechanically adjustable worksurface height and angle. **Circle No. 222.**

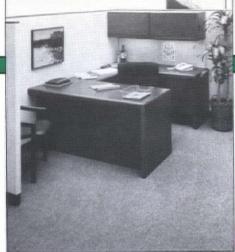


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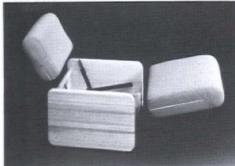








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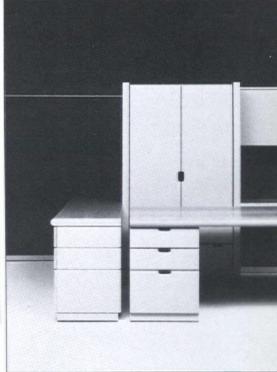


Comforto









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Rose Johnson Inc.—RJ office systems feature double-radius, waterfall-edged detail, and offer a choice of panel-mounted or freestanding desks in a variety of finishes. Circle No. 272.

Blockhouse—Various lounge styles feature reversible, replaceable cushion system. **Circle No. 233.**

Vecta—FS high-back operator is available with a pneumatic or mechanical height adjustment. **Circle No. 227.**

iil—Tinta System consists of interrelated casegood components, worksurfaces and vertical panels. **Circle No. 216.**

DAR/RAN—Twelve available series include contemporary, traditional, computer-support, and conference tables. **Circle No. 256.**

Comforto—System 11 office chairs are available in a pebble-gray shell and feature a five-prong base. Seat height is adjustable. Circle No. 226.

Cramer—CramerSpace™ features new CramerHinge™ panel connectors, Multi-power™ electrification, and telephone and coax cables. Circle No. 255.

OFFICE FURNISHINGS

Chairs meet variety of user needs

Lehigh-Leopold—Pass-Thru Panel System has an optional transaction surface and lazy Susan unit. **Circle No. 237.**

Brickel Associates—The hand-carved Yoke Chair is crafted from solid ash and is available in two styles.

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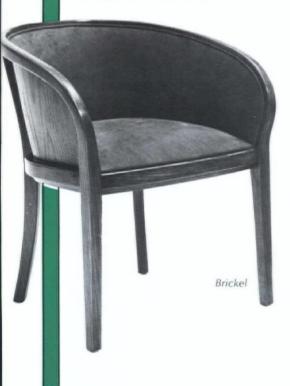
Artopex—The Modular Pedestal series is available in one width, two heights, and two depths, with slippers or wheel casters. **Circle No. 282.**

JG Furniture Systems—Manual Adjustable Terminal Table has adjustable features including screen height, screen tilt, keyboard height, and keyboard-toscreen distance. Circle No. 241.

Atelier International—The new fluorescent version of the Ring lamp has an H-shaped fluorescent tube.

Circle No. 274.

Facit—Generation III line of crankadjustable computer workstation furniture includes options for right- or lefthanded adjustability and a tilt-adjustable platform. Circle No. 244.



Lehigh-Leopold



Artopex



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Lunstead

Lunstead—Series Seven features a seven-coat polyester finishing system and is available in five standard oak finishes. **Circle No. 249.**

Artec—Traditional Furniture System features a beveled, solid walnut top, wood raceway covers, and Windsor bronze pulls for drawer and door faces. **Circle No. 252.**

Knoll International—Zapf station features an acoustical printer closet and an optional acoustic foam silencer.

Circle No. 246.

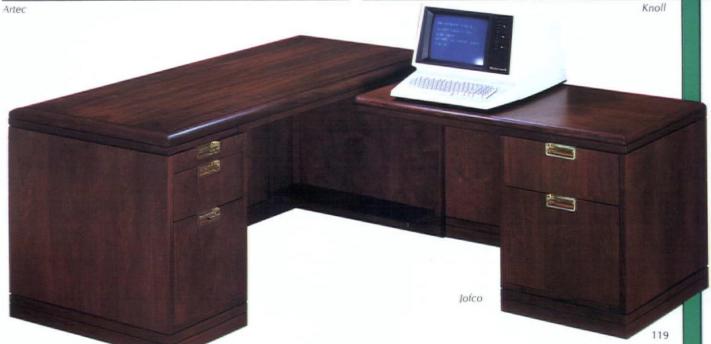
Jofco—Traditional 9000 line includes the Single Pedestal Desk featuring recessed brass pulls. Available woods include mahogany, walnut, and oak.

Circle No. 326.









OFFICE FURNISHINGS

Wood features are popular



Borroughs—Electrical Adapta-StationTM features adjustable tables in a variety of top surfaces and base colors.

Circle No. 228.

Harter-I/F workstation features tackable panels, overhead storage, various universal pedestals and legs, and vinyledged worksurfaces. Circle No. 247.

Amstore Corporation—Option One open-plan furniture features a panel system in choice of curved, flat, or glazed finishes. Circle No. 224.

Mount Airy-The Scenario collection includes case-pieces constructed of veneers and hardwoods. Design details include radius edges and metal inlay trim in stainless steel or brass finishes.

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Aspects Inc.—The CompuStation™ is sold as a prepackaged kit and 192 combinations are available. Acoustical panels are Class A fire-rated.

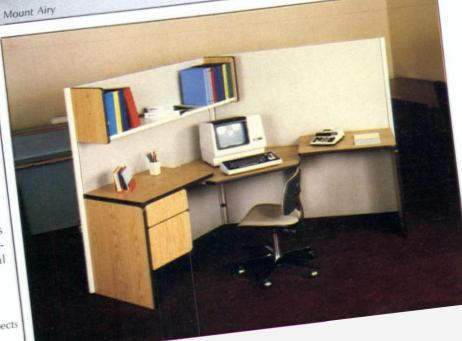
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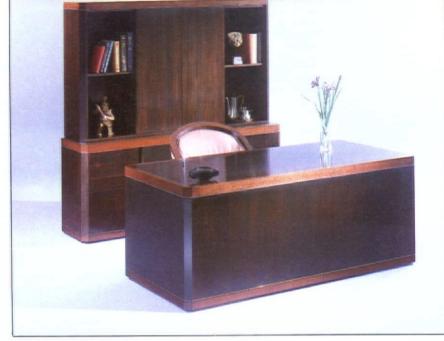


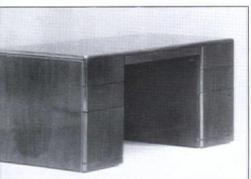


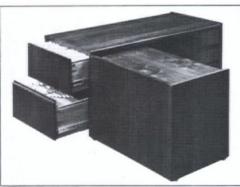












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Helikon Furniture Co.-Facets offers several options in panel wood, base, border, and inlay, and a choice of three metal trim finishes. Circle No. 251.

Tuohy-Desk surfaces, vertical panels, and drawer fronts in the Waterfall Desk Series have matched veneers with solid wood edges. Circle No. 248.

Conwed—The Series 3900 Secretarial Unit has a built-in lateral file. The desk pedestal contains two box drawers and one file drawer. Circle No. 269.

Thonet—The MGT™ Swivel Seating System is available with either a white oak face and cane veneer, or mahogany face-moided plywood,15 ply frames.

Circle No. 275.

Alma Desk Co.-2100 Series features radius tops, end panels, and drawer fronts. Available in oak, walnut, and mahogany. Circle No. 260.

Beylerian-Dress Chair features gas lift and tilt mechanism. Available in a choice of colors in epoxy resin finish or polished chrome frames.

Circle No. 232.



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Circle No. 211.

Kardex Systems-Mobile heavy-duty filing and retrieval system features include automatic aisle control that makes files accessible to more than one user. System saves up to 80 percent of space occupied by file cabinets and 46 percent of space used by fixed shelving. Unit can accommodate new and existing shelving up to 30 ft. long. A variety of manual and automatic locking options are offered. Circle No. 207.

Spacesaver Corp.—Firm's rail-riding, electrically powered filing systems reduce floor space required for storage by 50 percent. Carriage styles range from 3-ft. mechanical-assist units to 68-ft. electric units capable of supporting up to 90,000 lbs. (shown). Structural aluminum members and precisioned balance control are standard features; passive, fail-safe flooring is provided for push-button units. Product accommodates new and existing shelving.

Harbor-Mobile pedestals with slipper glides and casters are available in many configurations that suit an array of storage and security requirements. Box and file drawer models feature Accuride full-extension suspension to simplify media access. Cabinetry is offered in any of the firm's 26 standard colors: molded ABS drawer faces are available in tan, brown, and black.

Circle No. 212.

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Filing Equipment Inc.—Stackable shelving system features pull-out reference shelf and adjustable dividers on 1-in. centers. Easy-to-assemble shelving adapts to most carriage systems. Circle No. 201.

Acme Visible Records—Magic Aisle high-density mobile filing system employs a hidden electronic sensor that responds to user control. Safety features prevent file from moving when not in use. Modular track-and-deck design suits product for use in open plan offices. Circle No. 203.

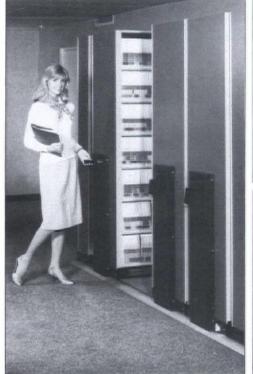
White Power Files—Aisle Saver Mobile Storage Systems include manually controlled and mechanical-assist units in up to 15- and 36-ft. sizes, respectively. Manufactured with bolted carriages that can be changed when moved, system's upright superstructure adds rigidity to top-mounted equipment. All drive mechanisms are supported by heavygauge steel. Circle No. 205.

TAB Products-Firm's SIDE-TRAC filing system permits users to move front-row cabinets aside and easily access backrow storage. Designed to accommodate a wide variety of media, system eliminates need for carriages and overhead safety mechanisms. Circle No. 213.

Steelcase-Mobile pedestal files with locking drawers are available in all of the firm's systems furniture colors. Product is offered with carpet or tile casters. Circle No. 202.

Wright Line-Firm's mobile filing system for computer-related media is available in manual, mechanical, and electrical models. Part of InfoMedia system, files can reduce floor space requirements by 50 percent.

Circle No. 208.



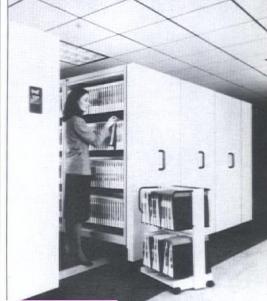


White Power Files









FILING & RETRIEVAL SYSTEMS

Manual, electrical options offered

Supreme Equipment & Systems— Conserv-n-aisle moving filing system can be installed on any existing floor. Unit's 6-in.-wide decks interlock with track channel. Wheels are connected to assure precise tracking. Shelving is installed on rolling carriages and stationary bases. Circle No. 333.

Aurora Steel Products—Firm's Rotary-File houses Quik-Lok shelving in an enamelled steel cabinet. Rotating shelf base permits users to access files from various sides of the cabinet. Letter- and legal-size paper, computer printouts, and tape reels are among media that can be accommodated by the system. Circle No. 200.

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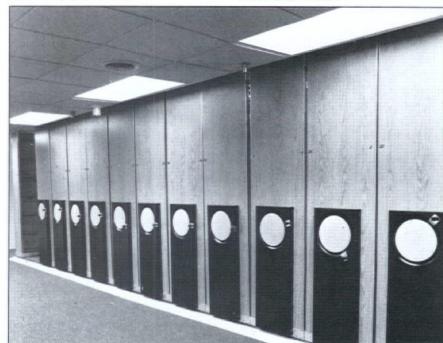
Spacemakers Inc.—Mobile filing system eliminates need for multiple storage aisles. Rows of track-mounted mobile shelving glide together to form a compact, space-saving unit. Designed to adapt to over-carpet installation, system features structural aluminum-alloy carriages which meet individual shelf size requirements. Steel, low-profile rails and wheels are load-rated for 1,500 lbs. each. Anti-trip device prevents tripping. Circle No. 214.



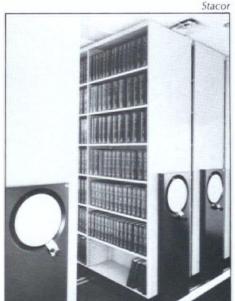




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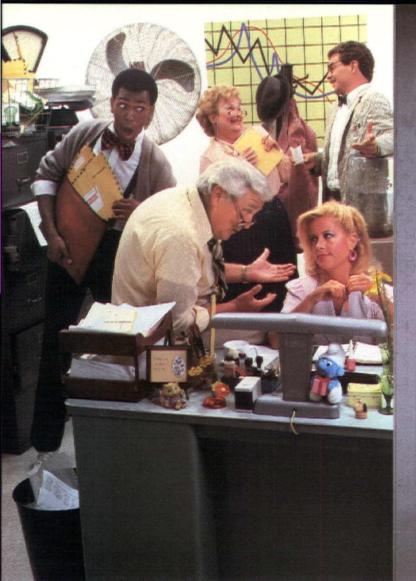


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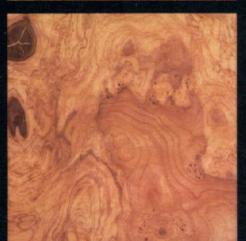


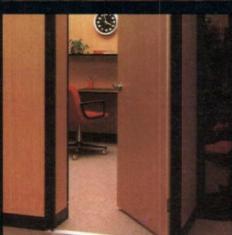
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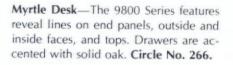


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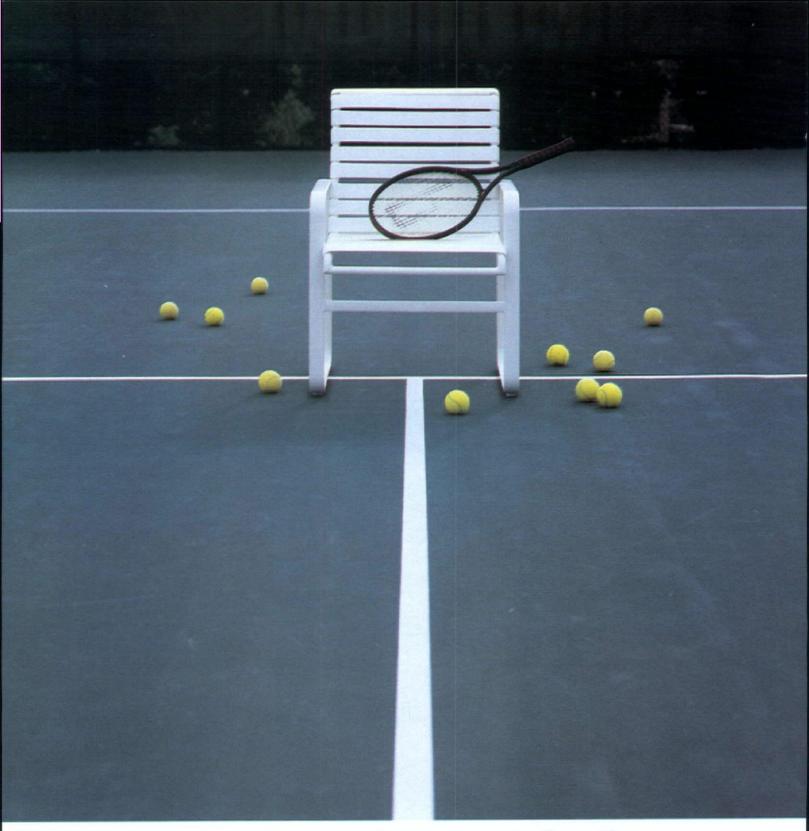
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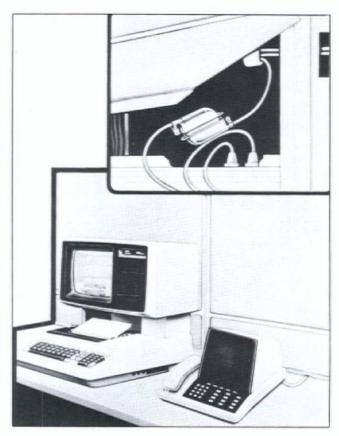
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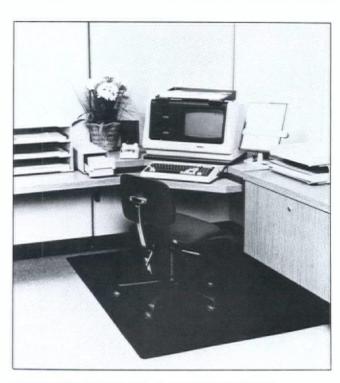
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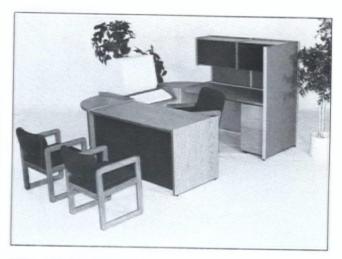
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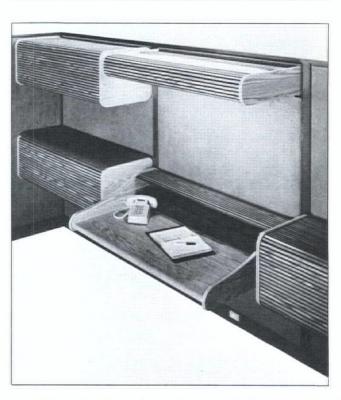
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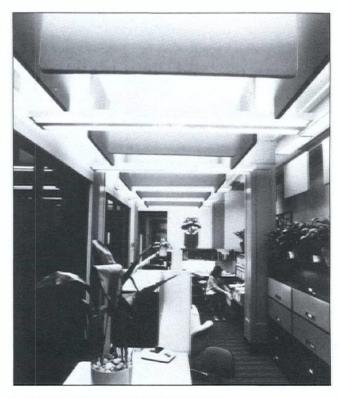
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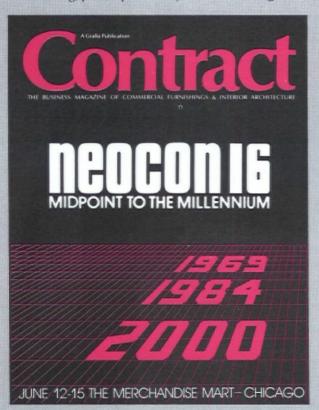
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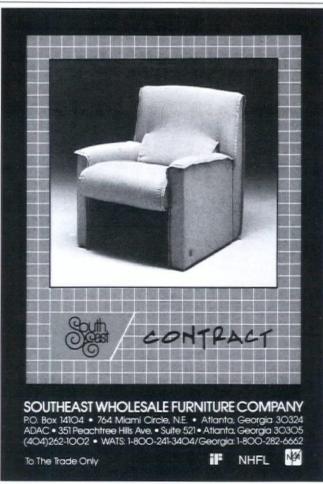
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