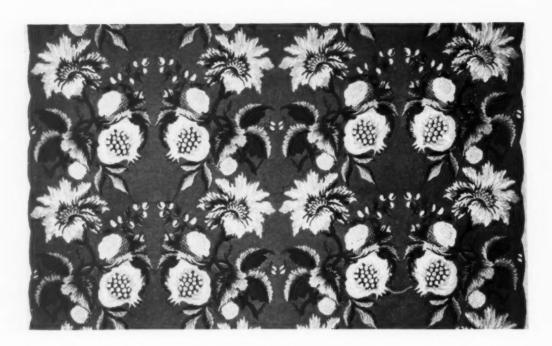


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For Your Information

NEWS EVENTS OF INTEREST TO THE ENTIRE PROFESSION.

DECORATIVE FURNITURE MANUFACTURERS INCORPORATE

The Association of Decorative Furniture Manufacturers, Inc., is the name of an organization composed of nearly all the leading decorative furniture manufacturers conducting wholesale showrooms in New York.

This Association grew out of the need for cooperative action on such legislation as the Feinberg-Delaney Bill and O.P.A. Ceiling regulations. Its purpose is to clarify for its members all matters of a legislative and regulative nature that may arise and to set up and establish certain high standards of business practice that will be maintained by furniture manufacturers' wholesale showrooms.

At the first general meeting of members held on June 16th, Mr. Carl T. Hogan of Wood and Hogan was elected President, Mr. Clad W. Wood of Sikes Furniture Company, Vice-President, Mr. Louis P. Ficks of Ficks-Reed Company, Treasurer and Mr. Walter S. Charak of the Charak Furniture Company, Secretary. The general head-quarters are at 444 Madison Avenue. The Association is incorporated under a charter of the State of New York.

A.I.A. MEETING

The venerable American Institute of Architects, prototype of such other professional organizations in this field as the American Institute of Decorators and the American Designers Institute, held its 45th annual meeting from June 23 to 25. Richmond H. Shreve, of the firm of Shreve, Lamb & Harmon was reelected President. The New York Chapter, holding an earlier meeting elected Edgar I. Williams to succeed Harvey Stevenson as President; J. Andrew Reinhard, to succeed J. Andre Foilhoux; George A. Licht, succeeding Hofmeister as treasurer; Draughtsman Hugh Ferriss becomes the new Recorder, succeeding Don E. Hatch.

Chief business of the A.I.A. was to put itself firmly on record in behalf of exhaustive post war planning, to be started immediately, lest the natural desire to cushion the shock of world wide demobilization lead to an erysipelas of unwanted and ill constructed public building that will only have to be rebuilt at a later date. Chief social function of the A.I.A. meeting was a dinner to present a medal, bigger and heavier than anything Goering wears, to the beloved Dean of Detroit Architects, Albert Kahn,

Albert Kahn was born in Rhaunen, Westphalia, two years before such a thing as Germany existed. In 1881, twelve years later, he had already had his fill of the Second Reich, and was in Detroit getting a job in an architectural office, from which he was shortly fired, because "he had no aptitude for his work." How many other twelve year old architects that firm employed, the record does not say. In 1903 Albert Kahn built the first successful reinforced concrete apartment building in the United States, and since then he has become the best known industrial architect in the country and incidentally the designer of over 500 factories in the Soviet Union. The medal he received is of rolled steel, four and a half inches long and a quarter of an inch thick, inset with the bronze seal of the A.I.A. It was presented to "the world's No. 1 industrial designer and the United Nations No. 1 war plant designer." Recent examples of Mr. Kahn's work will be found in the August issue of Interiors.

FALL MARKETS CANCELLED

New York, Grand Rapids and Chicago held their usual midseason markets, the Chicago market ending on July 18, but word was immediately circulated that both the American Furniture Mart and the Merchandise Mart would cancel their November furniture markets for the duration of the war. This followed the request of William A. Adams, head of the furniture industry branch of W.P.B. that the industry limit its trade showings to one a year in order to reduce unnecessary rail travel. Chicago executives were willing to drop the Spring and Fall markets for the next few years but held out for their regular January and July showings instead of just one market a year. President Frank A. Whiting hurried to Washington to present this case before the WPB.

"Limiting the industry to one market a year would induce more travel instead of reducing it," said he.

Edward J. Morrissey of the New York Furniture Exchange announced that he would abide strictly by any final decision of the WPB.

BARK MATTRESSES

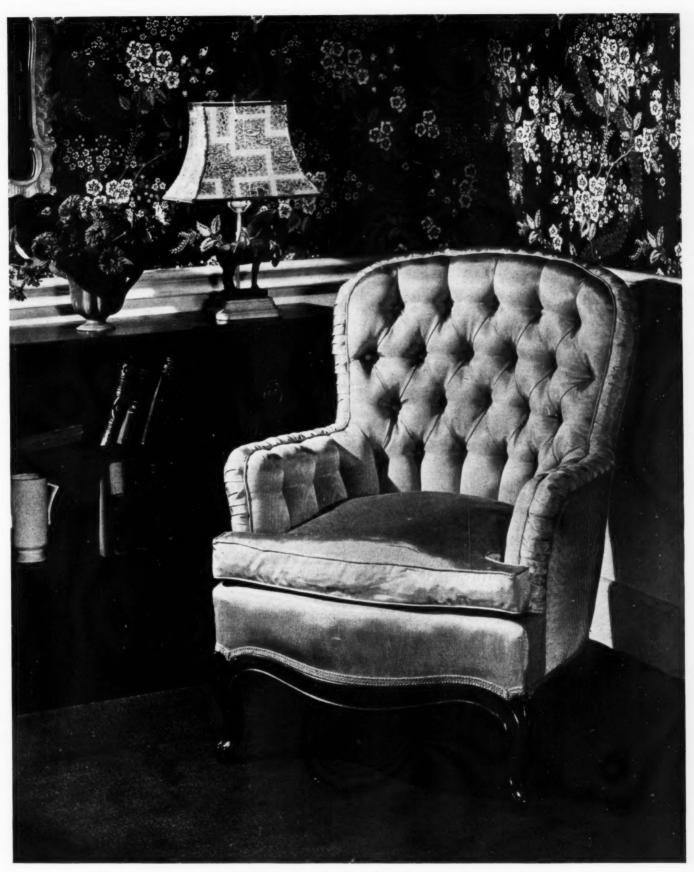
One possible solution for the pressing mattress and furniture padding problem,-now that cotton linters are so urgently needed for the manufacture of explosives, came with a recent announcement of the New York Mattress Co., which happens to be a Boston firm, that they were ready to introduce a new line of mattresses stuffed with the inner bark of the giant redwood Sequoia tree, blended with a certain proportion of cotton fibres. The sequoia bark seems to have extraordinary resiliency and does not absorb moisture. Incidentally the bark mattresses do not bite. They are guaranteed vermin proof.

FLOATING GLASS

The Pittsburgh Corning Corp., which likes to experiment with such things as flexible glass springboards, bullet proof glass, glass dress fabrics, and so forth, has just put a new one into production. This is a type of opaque glass insulating and building material known as Foamglas, which floats, since it only weighs ten pounds per cubic foot, and can be sawn or drilled with ordinary carpenter's tools. The process consists of firing ordinary glass with a certain proportion of pure carbon, which forming a gas, produces a spongy material something like a slice of bread.

RAYON HORSEHAIR

A monofilament rayon, resembling horsehair, is a rayon product that offers many possibilities for the future as material for window shades or blinds, upholstery fabrics, and summer rugs. It has been suggested that this single coarse filament, woven and accordion pleated, could be used like a Venetian blind.



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Sir:

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E. N. Mathews, Jr. Miami Beach, Fla.

Why bless my soul so he did, our circulation department not recognizing E. N. Mathews, paid subscriber, as the Washington Galleries, likely prospect!

—Ed.

PACKAGED THOUGHTS

Sir

All of us definitely believe that the war will create vast changes in the design field. People no longer will wish to spend the money on their homes that they have in the past but they will wish, and demand from the designers and the markets charming and distinguished merchandise. In other words, all of us at this time will have to be cleverer than we have ever been before.

Printed fabrics can only have 40% coverage but the public will require that the design be as attractive as in the past. Our office realized the metal problem many months ago and in our own furniture designs, we have substituted decorative wood motifs and it is a joy to find them more attractive and less expensive than using metal hardware.

We feel the individual decorating client of the past will be obsolete. More and more, people are striving toward the "packaged thought" and in our planning we have tried to adapt the best price possible for its execution.

We have designed a complete interior for the Public Buildings Administration defense house. The theory of this design is to supply the worker with simple, charming furniture, at a package price which he could afford . . . in other words, retailed complete for \$600. This interior could be purchased in various colors which would give the individual freedom of choice in his selection, but the package would be considered as equipment rather than just another home furnishing idea. Our objective was to merchandise the house and its equipment as one unit. For example: the house without equipment, would sell for \$3,000-with equipment, \$3,575.

We strongly feel that, because of the shortage of material and the freezing of prices, in the next few years restyling will probably be the only contribution that can be made to the existing merchandise. It is a distinct challenge to all of us and one which we hope will be successful.

Isabel T. Barringer Vice President DOROTHY DRAPER, INC.

Sir:

At the moment I would say that our customers are most considerate and helpful in such minor problems as our industry has had up to date. I am inclined to believe that we can depend on this continued cooperation. After all, shortages of down in sofa cushions is rather a minor matter in view of our present war condition. Other things of this sort will continue to come up, there will no doubt be problems in securing merchandise and in transportation. But all of these are secondary. It seems to us that the best policy is to use ordinary courtesy in our relations both with buyers and sellers, and ordinary business judgment as regards inventories and the other routine phases of business

Hollis S. Baker President BAKER FURNITURE, INC. I have under way. Howard Pickersgills Willson New York

Sweet as this bouquet smells, honesty forces us to say that it is the design department of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and not INTERIORS magazine that deserves full credit for Mrs. Weil's bedroom. (See photos below).—Ed.

VERIFIED AMERICAN ARTS

Sir:

Your efforts in reproducing specimens of creative design in this modern age have been a most gratifying inspiration, not only for the trade but for a clientele of discriminating taste.

I would like to see the new design of modern trend applied to textiles, also wall papers. Exotic woods are not sufficiently known and they are the essentials of modern furniture.

I find also that sections and scale drawings of new methods of indirect lighting would be quite an asset to the industrial designer. Articles on history of the modern movement would be interesting, and also the influence of European artists who had arrived to new conceptions of modern forms, long before we understood that Ameri-



OUR WIDESPREAD INFLUENCE

Sir:

Following your inquiries about the Belter furniture which Mr. and Mrs. Weil have preserved in their New York apartment (see page 40), I thought you might be interested in the accompanying photograph of Mrs. Weil's bedroom which I also had the opportunity to decorate. And I will be perfectly frank in admitting that it was inspired by a photograph in the April 1941 edition of your magazine.

Privately, I always look to Interiors before completing any commission that



can youth had to express their epoch. In order to foster American art in all its versified forms as it is expressed in the different parts of the United States, I am quite sure that your readers would be interested if you would give a series of local tendencies in several parts of the United States. For instance, you would have an issue for San Francisco, one for Los Angeles and one for Omaha and Denver and New Orleans and some of the prominent art centers of the East.

Charles Gassion, Head, Design Studio, CITY OF PARIS San Francisco, Calif.

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AUGUST ANNUAL NUMBER WILL FEATURE

A UGUST means the beginning of the fall season for America's interior designers, and for the whole interior furnishings field. That's why INTERIORS publishes its big annual Portfolio of "The Year's Work", as a special supplement in its regular August issue. For months our editors have been assembling the best examples of the recent work of America's active designers and architects, from scores of entries submitted from every section of the country. INTERIORS' first Portfolio of "The Year's Work", published last August, was so well received that we have gone to great pains to make this second August annual number the biggest and best ever. It will include virtually every type of interior that designers are called upon to create today. As a comprehensive record of disinguished work, this August issues of INTERIORS should remain on the shelves of designers, architects, retail executives and manufacturers, to be referred to for years to come.

The Year's Work

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"We believe these truths to be self-evident,—that all men are created equal,—" You all know how it goes, and a good many of us can remember hot July noons round the bandstand in the village green . . . The acrid smell of gunpowder in the air. The streets littered with the red scraps of a thousand firecrackers. Rover, the dog, had been hiding under the porch since the first explosion at dawn . . . It was rumored that Mrs. Jones's boy was threatened with lockjaw from a blank cartridge pistol . . . The local Congressman, talking on and on from a flag draped stand: "Our great President, Roosevelt, bringing peace to brave little Japan and Imperial Russia, . . . " And the knowledge, if you lived in New England, that sure as turkey for Thanksgiving,there would be boiled salmon, green peas, and strawberry shortcake for lunch. The Fourth of July and the Declaration of Independence mean much more to us today. Suddenly we realize that the Signers, so dignified in their stocks and powdered hair, and the thousands of others who fought to establish the United States of America, were more than stiff figures in a steel engraving. They were men who risked hanging as common traitors for their signatures upon that famous piece of parchment, and their followers risked death, starvation, disease, and dangers innumerable, to reestablish once more the dignity of the common man.

They were merchants and ship owners from New England, patroons from the Hudson Valley, frontiersmen from Kentucky and planters from Virginia,—but one thing which we are apt to forget is the number of our founding fathers who were intimately and actively involved in the profession of interior design. For our particular pride we might remember Thomas Jefferson, author of the Declaration of Independence, who never, through his long and great career, lost his interest in the practice of architecture, and the designing of furniture. Washington was vitally interested in every detail of the remodelling of Mt. Vernon, but Jefferson took pencil and T square in his own hand when it came to designing Monticello and the University of Virginia. And the special chairs and tables and library ladders he wanted, those he drew out too.

Paul Revere was a silversmith. He was much more than that too: a coppersmith, an engraver, a printer, a lamp maker,—in fact what we should call a manufacturer of decorative accessories. John Trumbull, the "Painter of the Revolution," fought and fought hard as a Major on Washington's staff. William Rush, the first American sculptor, whose figureheads nosed the proud Yankee Clippers into all the harbors of the seven seas, shouldered a musket at the Battle of Trenton, and Charles Wilson Peale, the great portraitist, he fought with the Continentals too.

It is true that Gilbert Stuart, Copley, and West, were expatriates during our years of fighting. Savery of Philadelphia, Goddard of Newport, and the famous Baron Stiegel, the Pennsylvania glassblower, were Tories too, but there were a thousand other architects, designers, cabinet makers, silversmiths, and weavers who fought to make our country an independent United States. It is all those men, in this dangerous July of 1942, that it is our special duty to honor.—F. de N. S.

BLUE NETWORK AND PINK SLIPS



VIRGINIA CONNER, INTERIOR DESIGNER, WHOSE CLIENTS HAVE INCLUDED A TOBACCO KING, A PROMINENT PUBLISHER AND MOVIE MAGNATES. SHE NOW ADDS THE BLUE NETWORK AND VANITY FAIR SILK MILLS TO THE ROSTER.

MAIN RECEPTION ROOM OF THE NEW BLUE NETWORK OFFICES WHERE VISITORS ARE GREETED WITH A FRIENDLY SMILE, THE LATEST EDITION OF THEIR FAVORITE NEWSPAPER AND A BACHELOR BUTTON. SOFAS ARE SPRUCE GREEN; WALLS ARE PAINTED SPRUCE AND LIME GREEN. MISS CONNER DESIGNED ALL THE FURNITURE AND INTERIOR ALTERATIONS

The new offices of the Pennsylvania Central Airlines in Washington, illustrated in the June issue of INTERIORS were presented as an example of the sort of work that most interior designers long to do. It was Coordinated Design, in which the designer was given a chance to order, style, and coordinate fabrics, furniture, lights, wall and floor coverings—in short, everything from the office stationery to the Vice President's ashtray.

An opportunity to do not one but two such jobs recently came to one of the youngest and most personable (see cut) of New York's interior designers, Virginia Conner.

Miss Conner was born in Cleveland, Ohio, 32 years ago. She studied painting at the Cleveland School of Arts and at the University of Akron, and then with a mounting interest in interior design, came East and

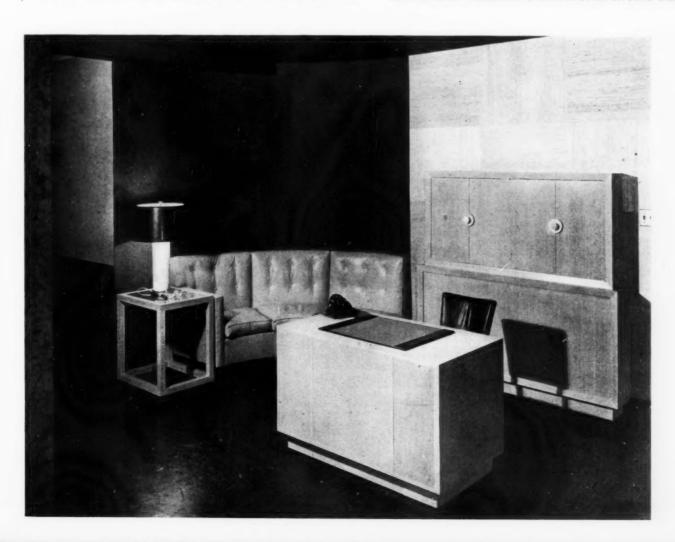


graduated from the famous Parsons School in 1931. For several years she worked as designer for various interior decorating firms, and in 1937 set up her own decorating studio, Virginia Conner, Inc.

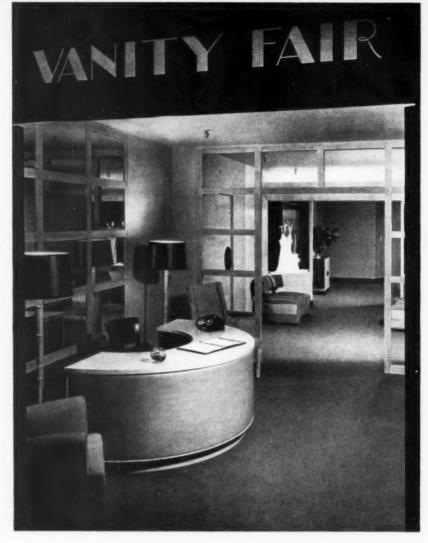
Her clients have included such tycoons as Henry Robinson Luce and his famous wife Clare Boothe; Judy King of Sea Island, Georgia; Richard J. (Camels) Reynolds of Winston-Salem; Col. Tim Durant of the Hollywood horse operas; and many others. She likes to collect stories about Down East Yankees, play golf and dabble in photography, and recently she became the wife of the extremely socially prominent William K. Dick. Recently, also, she bought out her former stockholders and disincorporated Virginia Conner, Inc. But she has not interrupted her work.

The two commissions illustrated on these pages in-

RADIO PERSONALITIES BEING SUCH, ONE RECEPTIONIST IS NOT ENOUGH FOR THE BLUE NETWORK. THE PICKLED OAK CABINET BEHIND THIS SECOND GUARDIANS DESK CONTAINS PNEUMATIC TUBES TO PUFF MESSAGES TO ANY PART OF THE BUILDING. DARK BLUE CURVED WALL, SQUARES OF BEIGE AND LIME GREEN MARBLEIZED WALLPAPER COVER OPPOSITE WALL.



ENTRANCE TO THE NEW VANITY FAIR SHOWROOMS WHERE
BUYERS SIGN WHITE SLIPS TO PURCHASE PINK ONES.
WOODWORK IS PICKLED OAK, DESK IN AQUAMARINE LEATHER,
LAMPSHADE BLACK LACQUER. VIEW THROUGH GRILLE
SHOWS CORAL RED WALLS, DOORS OF PORCELAIN DI-NOC.



BLUE NETWORK & PINK SLIPS

A TYPICAL SETTING INSTALLED TO GIVE SUGGESTIONS FOR

A VANITY FAIR SHOP IN DEPARTMENT STORES. CURTAINS

ARE WOVEN OF WHITE NYLON, WALLS ARE PAINTED GUN
METAL, PEARL GRAY SATIN PADDING IS SET IN MIRRORED

NICHE. THISTLE COLORED CARPETING IS USED THROUGHOUT.

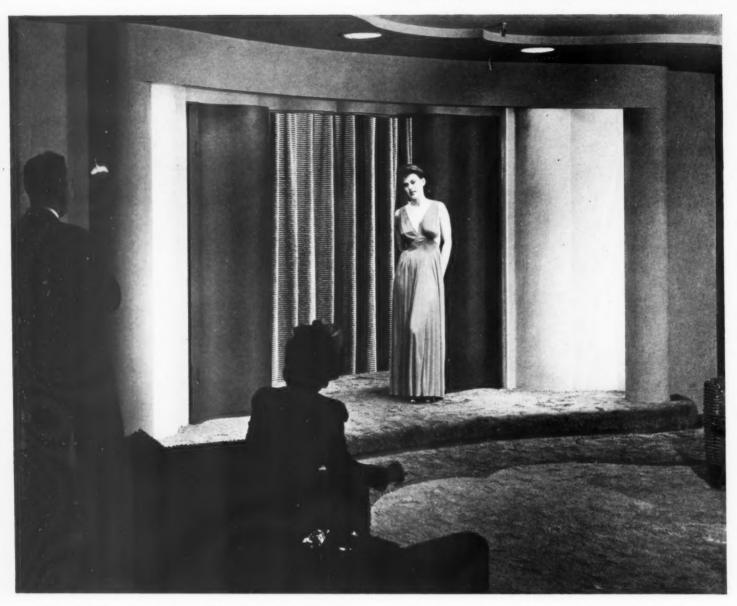




ONE OF FIVE INDIVIDUAL SALES ROOMS EACH EQUIPPED WITH IDENTICAL AMOUNTS OF FURNITURE IN VARYING COLORS AND ARRANGEMENTS. THIS ROOM HAS HYACINTH BLUE WALLS, ROSE AND WHITE STRIPED NYLON CURTAINS, CHAIR AND BENCH OF ROSE LEATHER.

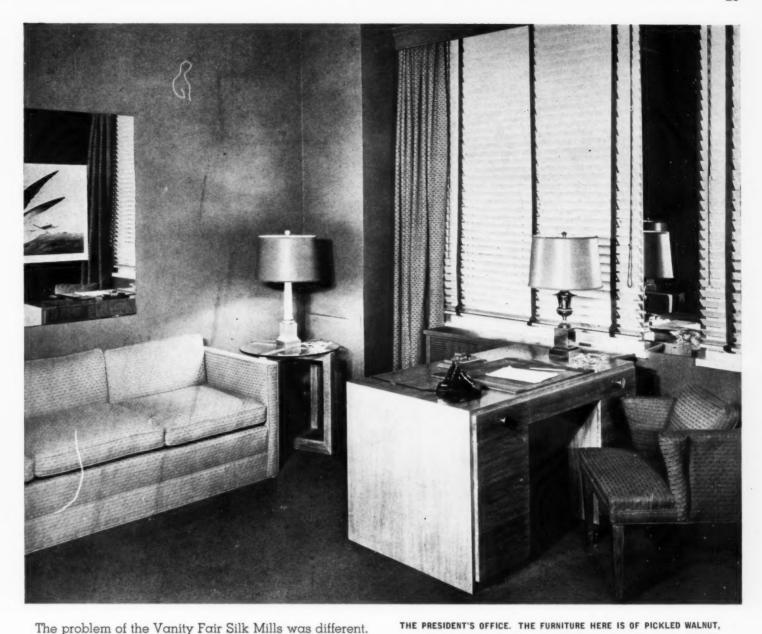


MAIN SHOWROOM AREA. DOORS WITH INITIALED PUSH
PLATES ARE GUNMETAL, CHAIRS HAVE THISTLE COLORED
FABRIC, WHITE LEATHER OUTSIDE. THE TABLE IS
WOOD COVERED IN MARBLEIZED DI-NOC. THE LAMP,
AN ITALIAN ALTAR PIECE, IS SPRAYED WITH WHITE PAINT.



AFTER YOU HAVE CAREFULLY STUDIED THE CONTOURS AND STREAMLINED EXCELLENCE OF THE GARMENT, PLEASE NOTE MISS CONNER'S ARCHITECTURAL TREATMENT OF THE SHAPED CEILING, PAINTED AQUAMARINE BLUE AND THISTLE: CURVES AND COLORS ARE REPEATED IN THE RUG. THE STAGE IS ALSO USED FOR A PERMANENT DISPLAY OF MERCHANDISE. INTERIOR PORTION IS OFF-WHITE: DOORS GUNMETAL LACQUER: DRAPERY AQUAMARINE.

volved large corporations with radically different problems. The executive offices of the Blue Network of the National Broadcasting Co. were designed to soothe, placate and impress such varying types as jive conductors, toothpaste manufacturers, organ soloists, advertising managers, script writers, sopranos, government executives and piccolo players. Apart from the split second clock and loud speaker that are essential to every room of every radio station the idea was to make the whole place neutrally soothing. To this end the smart color scheme, already described in our captions, was adopted, and all waiting visitors are presented with a local newspaper and a blue cornflower boutonniere to keep them from biting their nails. Furniture wood throughout is pickled oak. The large mirror wall panel used in the main reception room is antiqued.



Almost everyone who visits these combined business offices and showrooms is burningly interested in ladies' lingerie. Gayety was the note, and this was maintained through reception rooms, offices and showrooms—and with particular skill in the case of the little theatre through which the models parade. It is cheerful without looking too much like a Parisian peepshow. The business offices, and even the file room and accounting department were all part of Miss Conner's coordinated design for the Vanity Fair Silk Mills, and here in particular she shows her ability to change her decorative mood to suit the particular problems of a

Although he sells them, there is no suggestion of α brassiere about the President's office, illustrated above. In thoroughly masculine state, he sits at α pickled walnut desk, and looks at α flat chested seagull by Audubon, framed in mirror.

THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. THE FURNITURE HERE IS OF PICKLED WALNUT, WALLS AND CEILING ARE PAINTED A FRESH SPRUCE GREEN, FURNITURE UPHOLSTERY AND CURTAINS ARE LIME GREEN. THE LAMPSHADES ARE BRILLIANT SPOTS OF LACQUER RED. THE ORIGINAL AUDUBON ISN'T REFLECTED FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ROOM AS IT APPEARS, BUT IS SET INTO THE MIRROR PANEL ON THE WALL YOU ARE NOW LOOKING AT.

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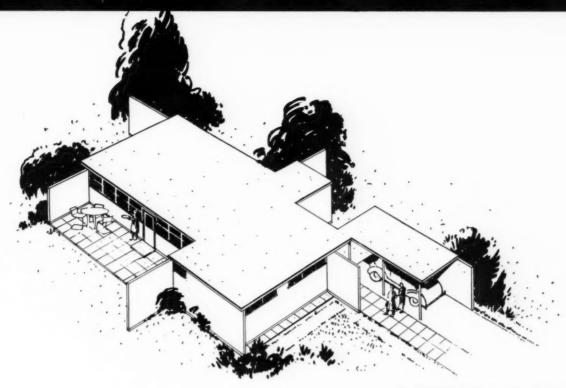
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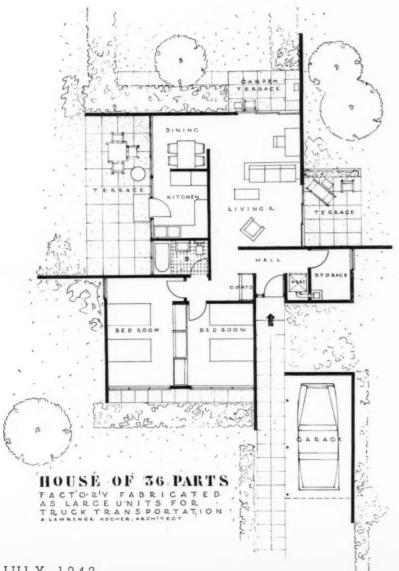
For many months we have followed to the best of our ability the progress of the so-called Victory Housing, and the efforts of hundreds of interior designers to work in and with this field. We have printed basic floor plans for these buildings, reported on government progress in Washington and so forth. We shall continue to do so.

But the five room single family house is more than a wartime stopgap. The days of the mansion have passed. Something like the present day Victory House, but better built and better designed, will be the People's House of tomorrow. It is the way that most of us are going to live.

Great corporations and forward thinking designers know that already an intensive planning for post war housing is now going on. One such house now being sponsored by Revere Copper and Brass is shown on the opposite page. The chief difference between this and dozens of other prefabricated housing plans is that Architect A. Lawrence Kocher is using radiant heating in his wall panels. This latest development of heating engineers does away with radiators and grilles and warms a room by running warm water in copper tubes right through the wall panels themselves. Architect Kocher also believes that this type of house can be sold profitably for \$2,000. A \$2,000 house should be furnished for less than \$1,000. On ensuing pages we show examples of furniture that is not only priced but scaled to fit into the People's House of tomorrow. All of it is either available on the market right now, or will be so within a very short time.



PERSPECTIVE VIEW OF A FIVE ROOM HOUSE, DESIGNED BY A. LAWRENCE KOCHER OF BLACK MOUNTAIN COLLEGE, N. C., SPONSORED BY REVERE COPPER AND BRASS INCORPORATED FOR PREFABRICATION AFTER THE WAR. ITS 36 WALL SECTIONS CONTAIN RADIANT HEATING TUBES AND BURIED PLUMBING CONNECTIONS. IT SHOULD SELL FOR \$2,000.



STORAGE SPACE, AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUTDOOR LIVING, WERE ARCHITECT KOCHER'S CHIEF INTERESTS IN DESIGNING THIS HOUSE. NOTE THAT THIS FIVE ROOM HOUSE HAS THREE TERRACES AND THAT GOOD SIZED CLOSETS FORM THE PARTITIONS BETWEEN THE BEDROOMS. THERE ARE NO BUREAUS. MIRRORS, DRAWERS, ETC., ARE BUILT INTO THE CLOSETS.

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At the Grand Rapids spring market in April, over forty manufacturers introduced furniture designs for Victory Housing—low in cost and reduced in scale. Since that time many more manufacturers and individual designers have been successfully fulfilling the needs of these small house owners.

Freda Diamond designed for Lenoir Chair Company and their associated factories two complete lines—one Modern and one Traditional. The Virginia-Lincoln Furniture Corp. furnished a standard Victory house with its new Modern group, illustrated here. The Sligh-Lowry Furniture Company brought out a large line of Traditional cabinet pieces which included unit sections to fit any given room areas. The Michigan Seating Company combined their moderately priced upholstery designs with the Flexi-Unit pieces of The Widdicomb Furniture Company. The Red Lion Furniture Company had already advanced to this type of furniture when they exhibited Modern cabinet units at the Organic Design show last year.

Shown here are but a few of the lines now on the market. In future issues we will continue to present offerings of the manufacturers and individual designers who are bringing sound design to low cost interiors.



UPHOLSTERED ARMCHAIR WITH TWO BUTTON BACK, SEAT TUFTED IN SQUARES. DIMENSIONS, 27" WIDE, 21" DEEP AND 32" HIGH. MADE BY MICHIGAN SEATING COMPANY TO RETAIL FOR APPROXIMATELY \$44.75.

DESK UNIT FROM A LARGE GROUP OF MAHOGANY SECTIONAL PIECES MADE BY SLIGH-LOWRY FURNITURE COMPANY. IT RETAILS FOR ABOUT \$39.90. ENTIRE GROUP 36" HIGH; DESK TOP IS 30" X 12".





UPHOLSTERED SOFA TO MATCH CHAIR SHOWN ON OPPOSITE PAGE.

THE RETAIL PRICE, IN FABRIC SHOWN, IS APPROXIMATELY \$89.75.

THREE-SECTIONAL UNIT WITH LEFT AND RIGHT ARMS ALSO AVAILABLE.



A PORTION OF THE PENDLETON GO-TOGETHER GROUP OF MAHOGANY, DESIGNED BY JOSEPH B. PLATT FOR ROBERT W. IRWIN COMPANY. THREE BEDROOM PIECES RANGE FROM \$100 TO \$200. LIVING AND DINING ROOM ALSO INCLUDED.

MODERN VICTORY HOUSE LIVING ROOM AND DINETTE INTRODUCED BY VIRGINIA-LINCOLN FURNITURE CORP. RETAIL COST FOR ALL FURNITURE SHOWN IN THIS PHOTOGRAPH IS UNDER \$400. THE WOOD IS PIN-STRIPE OAK.



BEDROOM FURNITURE FROM LENOIR DESIGNED BY FREDA DIAMOND FOR THE SAME VICTORY HOUSE SHOWN ON THE LEFT. ALL FURNITURE INCLUDING MIRROR, IS LESS THAN \$125 RETAIL. SINGLE OR DOUBLE BED, \$19.95 RETAIL.



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Several months ago Dan Cooper decided to gamble on a Defense Housing competition for interior designers which was then under way. The resulting designs which he created proved such a natural for immediate production that they never reached a board of judges, but rather passed immediately to the desk of a manufacturer—and were accepted.

The Drexel Furniture Company is now in the process of turning out these furniture pieces of limed oak combined with colored lacquer parts. Patented under the name of PAKTO, they offer a revolutionary approach to the vital housing problem which America now faces. As the name implies, they pack together speedily and compactly—so compactly, in fact, that when the full sized samples were taken from the Cooper showroom, where they occupied a considerable amount of expansive floor space, the packages they made filled less than one-half of the elevator cage.

A selected few of these pieces are shown here, to give you an idea of what we can expect of the farsighted designers who are thinking of the people's living requirements in wartime; and the new life they visage for the future. The prices have not as yet been figured, but needless to say they will be appealingly low. The line will be ready for distribution in September.

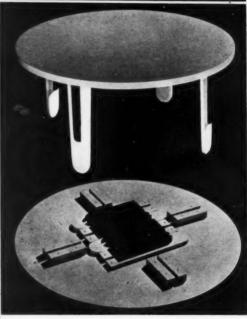
WITH THIS UNIT AN ENDLESS AMOUNT OF SPACE COMBINATIONS ARE
POSSIBLE, BUT ANY ARRANGEMENT GIVES AMPLE AND ESSENTIAL STORAGE
ROOM. AS SEEN BY THE TWO UNITS ON THE LEFT, THE UPPER PORTION IS
SMALLER: GRADUATING SIZES ALLOW PACKING ONE INSIDE THE OTHER—
HENCE "PAKTO." SLIDE-IN TRAYS AND SHELVES WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE.



A SIDE CHAIR, SO SIMPLE IN THEORY THAT NO ONE ELSE THOUGHT TO DESIGN IT. IT PACKS FLAT BY REMOVING LEG PINS AND LIFTING FORWARD PORTION OF SEAT AND BACK FROM CIRCULAR GROOVES, A PATENTED FEATURE. THE FABRIC IS ALSO EASILY REMOVABLE.

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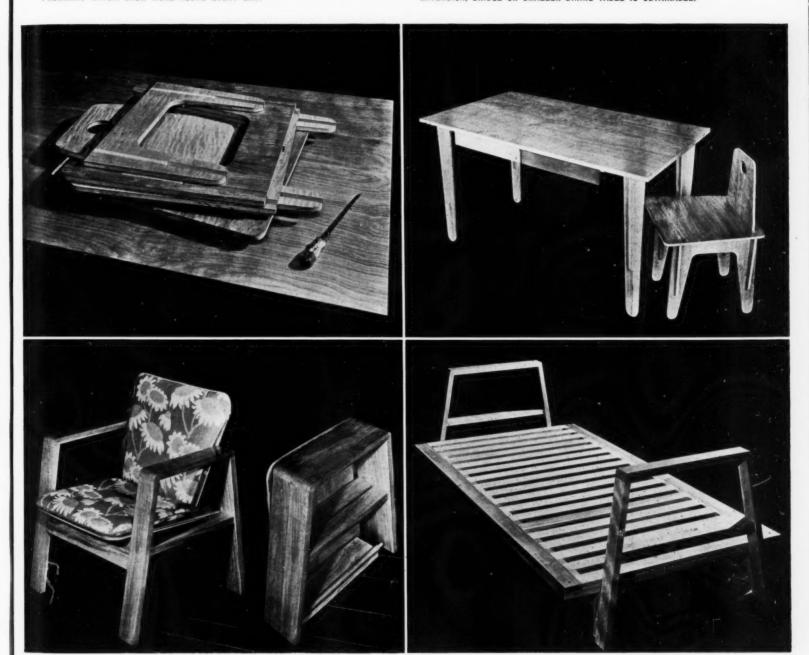




ROUND TABLE, SHOWING DEMOUNTED STATE WITH LEGS FLAT ON UNDER SIDE. PERMANENTLY ATTACHED GROOVES SHOW HOW THE LEGS SLIDE INTO PLACE. WOOD FINS ON THE LEGS ARE LACQUERED IN COLORS SPECIFIED BY MR. COOPER. THERE IS NO WOOD WASTE AS LEGS ARE CUT FROM A SQUARE TOP.

THIS TIDY LITTLE PILE OF PLYWOOD NEEDS BUT THE SCREWDRIVER (NOT INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGED PRICE) TO PUT IT QUICKLY INTO THE FORM OF THE CHAIR AND TABLE SEEN IN THE NEXT PHOTOGRAPH. HERE AGAIN IS SEEN A SIMPLE ANSWER TO PACKAGING AND TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS WHICH GROW MORE ACUTE EVERY DAY.

TABLE AND CHAIR UNPACKED BECOME TWO IMPORTANT PIECES OF FURNITURE—STILL SMALL ENOUGH IN SIZE TO FIT A NEW SCALE OF LIVING. AS YOU CAN SEE, THE TABLE HAS TWO ROOMY DRAWERS—TO HOLD SILVERWARE OR NOTE PAPER. BY SQUARING THE DIAMETER OF THE TABLE END, AN EXTENSION, BRIDGE OR SMALLER DINING TABLE IS OBTAINABLE.



THE "PAKTO" ARM CHAIR, AN IMPORTANT ITEM IN THE GROUP, IS EXTRAORDINARILY COMFORTABLE, HAVING A SELF-ADJUSTING DEVICE TO RAISE THE BACK TO A MORE UPRIGHT POSITION. SEPARATE CUSHIONS SLIP ON SEAT AND BACK. DISMANTLED, IT SNAPS TOGETHER NEATLY AS A SUITCASE, AND CAN BE MOVED ABOUT WITH JUST AS MUCH EASE.

THE SAME TWO PIECES OF WOOD WHICH FORMED THE ARMS OF THE CHAIR ON THE LEFT ALSO MAKE SMARTLY SIMPLE BED ENDS—FOR SINGLE SIZE BEDS ONLY. DEEP MATTRESSES FIT OVER SLATTED FRAME WHICH RESTS ON EXTENSION RODS ATTACHED TO THE END PIECES PLACED AGAINST THE WALL. WITH A FABRIC COVERING, IT BECOMES A SMART DAYBED.

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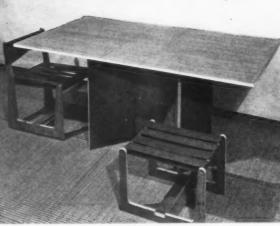
PLYLINE Knock-Down Furniture is the registered trademark of an interior designer, who prefers to be known just as C. Coggeshall, for low cost packaged furniture cut from plywood. This new group, now in production, will be on the market in a few weeks. Unit parts are cut and finished at the factory; delivered, packed, to the purchaser with all hardware and directions necessary for fool-proof assembly. These pieces will be pleasant to live with, as seen by the accompanying photographs. One day they may become the prefabricated furnishings of a prefabricated house-shipped along with the screened-in porch and the unit kitchen.











LEFT: DIVAN GROUPING SHOWING CROSS-LEGGED TABLE MADE WITH TWO LOWER SHELVES: COFFEE TABLE IN BIRCH WITH WALNUT EDGING APPLIED BY SCREWS. AND BASE CUT FROM TABLE EDGE.

RIGHT: NATURAL WOOD SERVING TABLE ON WHEELS IN SEVEN KNOCK-DOWN PIECES-NON-MAR SURFACE OBTAINABLE AT SMALL EXTRA COST. DROP LEAF TABLE, FOLDED, MEASURES 12" x 36".

LEFT: CABINET OF FIR PLYWOOD. DOORS SLIDE IN GROOVES, BOTTOM AND SIDE JOINING INTERLOCK: THE SMALL BOOK-CASES COMBINE FOR LONGER UNITS OR HAVE MORE SHELVES BUILT UPWARD.

RIGHT: TABLE, OPENED, SEATS SIX PEOPLE, MADE WITH SUPPORT HINGES AWAY FROM KNEE AREAS. STOOL AND CHAIR COME PACKAGED WITH SLUNG SEATS OF HEAVY CANVAS OR WEBBING.

Decorative Accessories





LEFT: LYRE WALL BRACKET TO HOLD IVY OR OTHER PLANTS. PAINTED BLACK AND GOLD OR IN OTHER FINISHES. \$15 AT FRIEDMAN BROTHERS DECORATIVE ARTS.

RIGHT: WOODEN HANDLED CUTLERY
OF APPLEWOOD; METAL PARTS ARE
ELECTROPLATED FOR DURABILITY.
ALL RETAIL FOR \$10.20 A DOZEN AT
AMERICA HOUSE.

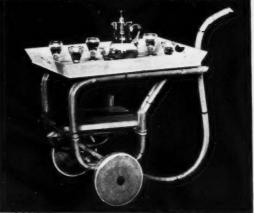




LEFT: PORTUGUESE CERAMIC COCK IN NATURAL COLORINGS. SOLD WITH ITS MATE FOR \$20. OR AS A SINGLE DECORATIVE ACCESSORY. FROM CHARLES HALL, INC.

RIGHT: MAHOGANY MAGAZINE STAND WITH LYRE BASE COPIED FROM AN ORIGINAL PIECE FOUND IN SALEM, MASS. ZINC CONTAINER FOR FLOW-ERS. \$120 AT ATTMAN-WEISS.





LEFT: "FULL BLOWN," A GRACEFUL FLORAL BY NEWMAN DECOR. THIS COLOR STENCIL OVER A COLLO-TYPE PRINT COMES IN SEVERAL COMBINATIONS. \$5 RETAIL.

RIGHT: RATTAN AND WOOD TEA,
CANAPE OR COCKTAIL CART WITH
VENEER TRAY TOP, SHELF BENEATH.
FROM A MODERN GROUP MADE BY
FICKS REED COMPANY. \$32.

SWANK SUBURBAN BY SIMANK-SEARCY



ENGLISH STYLE RESIDENCE OF WHITE PAINTED BRICK. NOTE THAT THE SHUTTERS ARE PAINTED IN A CONTRASTING COLOR ON THE UPPER STORY ONLY, AND THAT THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT ARRANGED A HARMONIOUS SETTING FOR THIS TYPE OF HOME . . . EVEN TO THE GARDEN GATE.

OS ANGELES, the most widely dissipated city in the United States, includes among its multiple atoms a very swank suburb known as Brentwood. The architecture in this community is sufficiently diversified to give pleasure to its occupants and interest to its visitors.

Alan G. Siple, architect for the English-type residence

Alan G. Siple, architect for the English-type residence of A. C. Robbins, Jr. shown here, constructed it of white painted brick. The Los Angeles firm of Simank-Searcy, A.I.D. designed the interiors, carrying into the house the spacious comfort suggested by the façade.

An atmosphere of soft collared éclat, maintained throughout, is perhaps best evidenced in the pine paneled library with its informal furnishings. The living

PINE PANELED LIBRARY DESIGNED TO BE THE MOST LIVED-IN ROOM IN
THE HOUSE. THE CURTAINS ARE HUNG FROM A TRAVERSE ROD INSIDE A
RECESSED MOLDING OF THE PANELING; ORIENTAL SCATTER RUGS ARE USED
ON THE PARQUET FLOOR; CHAIRS AND SOFAS EACH HAVE A READING LIGHT.



room walls were done in soft gray-blue... the mantel in pine... and the furniture is 18th Century antique, brought from England by the designers. The dining room has wallpaper panels in a gray-white and blue bamboo pattern. The breakfast room has an eggplant color linoleum floor with yellow inlay. The walls are yellow; the furniture is fruitwood, and curtains are of the plainest yellow muslin.

All the rooms are large, and the designers cleverly preserved this sense of spaciousness by their use and placement of furniture. The master bedroom shows this, for it holds a fireplace grouping, occasional tables, a desk and chaise longue; but it does not appear

crowded and has plenty of open floor space. The airy quality of this room is furthered by curtains made of pink organdy threaded with blue ribbons, which are hung beneath a valance of glazed chintz stretched tightly over a straight cut board.

Very much like the New York City residence illustrated in the June issue of Interiors, this house on the West Coast places its emphasis on comfort and gracious living. Its charm lies in its livableness. It is obviously meant for people who enjoy life at home, surrounded by familiar things in familiar settings, rather than those who need a social arena or a temporary shelter for seasonal, warm weather, rustication.

THE BED AND HAIRBRUSH IN THE FOREGROUND ARE CLUES TO THE FACT THAT THIS IS THE MASTER BEDROOM—NOT THE LIVING ROOM. SPACIOUS PROPORTIONING OF THE ROOM ALLOWS FOR A FIRESIDE GROUPING. WALLS AND ORGANDY CURTAINS ARE FLESH PINK.





SWEDISH AMERICAN DINING ROOM. TO HONOR THE STAFFORDSHIRE COCK IN THE SHADOW BOX, THE ILLUMINATED FALSE CEILING IS COVERED WITH CHICKEN WIRE. EARLY AMERICAN BENCHES AND ARROW BACK CHAIRS ARE USED.

SWEDISH PEASANT DESIGNS ARE PAINTED ON THE ANTIQUE TAYERN TABLE.

PAHLMANN'S FAREWELL

BEYOND question, the best known department store decorator in the United States is Mr. William Pahlmann, whose spectacular series of vividly colored rooms have been unveiled at regular intervals at Lord & Taylor's, New York, for the past few years. There they won a particular distinction. The first string art critics of the big New York papers generally dropped around to see Pahlmann's room despite the traditional belief that all that professional interior designers do is to distract your eye from a properly framed picture. Mr. Pahlmann is one of the most ardent eye distractors known, (see cuts) but they still came.

William Pahlmann was born and educated in Texas. In his brief career he has been many things: a chorus boy, a stage designer, a private decorator. He is beginning the most important job he has ever undertaken, a Captain in the Air Corps.

Despite his various talents, Capt. Pahlmann wears no wings. He was one of a group of volunteers (others in-



COCKTAIL & GAME ROOM. UNGLAZED FRAMED PHOTOGRAPHS HANG AGAINST CUTOUT SQUARES OF A SPECIAL GRAY MARBLED WALLPAPER. CHERRY RED BANQUETTES. SPANISH ALTAR FIGURES FORM LAMPS. LOOPED COTTON RUG IN PINK, BEIGE, AND BLUE STRIPES. NOTE CEILING SPOTLIGHTS.

cluded Jo Mielziner and Donald Oenslager, the famous stage designers) who took a WPA course in military camouflage and graduated with honors. Military camouflage in this war is no longer a job for painters and graphic artists, as so many ardent veterans of the old Camouflage Section are learning. The knowledge of false perspective and cast shadows that stage design brings is the essence of modern aerial camouflage, and Pahlmann, Mielziner and Oenslager knew much more about that than their teachers.

The army recognizes the value of this. Because it will be his duty to help build safe ports for flyers to come back to, William Pahlmann, Capt. U. S. A., rates a salute from half the pilots, navigators and gunners in the air force.

Before shifting from tweeds to khaki, Pahlmann finished a series of six rooms for Lord & Taylor. They included a dining room, Swedish peasant in feeling; a cocktail and game room showing an extremely original method of hanging framed photo-

PAHLMANN'S FAREWELL

PAHLMANN'S OBSESSION FOR PINNING SNIPPETS ON BULLETIN BOARDS APPEARS AGAIN IN THE GAY CHINTZ THAT BACKS THE FOLDING YACHT TABLE. REGENCY CHAIRS HAVE CERULEAN BLUE SEATS. A WIRED RUM CASK MAKES THE TABLE LAMP.

OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP: OTHER END OF THE SAME ROOM, WITH LOVE SEATS COVERED IN SHINY PINK LEATHER. THE TWO WALL BRACKETS ARE ANTIQUES OF THE 1890 STANFORD WHITE PERIOD, A PERIOD SUGGESTED AGAIN BY THE FOLDING DOORS.



ANOTHER VIEW OF THE GAME ROOM SHOWN ON PAGE 35. THE SPECIALLY DESIGNED COFFEE AND PLANT TABLE HAS ITS OWN INDIVIDUAL SPOTLIGHT AND THE SPANISH COLONIAL COMMODE IS ALSO SPECIALLY LIT. UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS ARE SKY BLUE.

OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM: CEMENT FLOOR, WITH APT PROVERB,
PAINTED TO LOOK LIKE AN AUBUSSON RUG. BEDSPREAD AND HEADBOARD ARE MAGENTA AND WHITE. WALL FIXTURES ARE GAS BRACKETS,
ENAMELED WHITE. DRESSING CHAIR IS PART OF A SLED.



INTERIORS





JULY 1942

PARSON'S SCHOOL COMPETITION

MODERN SETTINGS FOR TRADITIONAL FURNITURE



STUDENT ALICE DRAKE SUBMITTED, AS HER MODERN BACKGROUND, A DESIGN FOR AN ENTRANCE HALL. ONE OF THE PIECES SHE USED IN THE SETTING WAS THIS WALNUT BOMBÉ COMMODE, CLEVERLY ADAPTED TO A MODERN INTERIOR BY THE USE OF DI-LON APPLIED WITHIN THE PANELS. THE WOVEN DESIGN SELECTED GAVE THE NECESSARY ZIP TO THIS NOT UNCOMMON PIECE OF ITALIAN FURNITURE.

ALEXANDER CAGNA, WHO COPPED FIRST PRIZE OUT OF SOME TWO HUNDRED DRAWINGS, SQUARED HIS LARGEST WALL SURFACE TO GIVE A MODERN FEELING; HE DESIGNED HIS OWN COFFEE TABLE; HE UPHOLSTERED TRADITIONAL CHAIRS IN MODERN MATERIALS.

MR. CAGNA ALSO INCLUDED RENDERINGS OF THE SAME SCHEME IN VARIOUS COLOR TREATMENTS—WHICH DIDN'T, HOWEVER, INFLUENCE THE JUDGES.

The first of an annual competition for the senior interior design class of Parson's school was sponsored by Hollis S. Baker, President of the Baker Furniture Company, in collaboration with the school. The object of the competition was to concentrate the thought of the students on a decoration formula that would combine modern thinking with the best of proved traditional design. More specifically, the project itself required the use of modern background and colors, together with modern fabrics and upholstered pieces as needed for comfort and style. With this was to be used wood furniture that would derive definitely from good traditional precedent. For the purpose of the present competition, this was more closely defined as Italian Directoire or Baroque furniture, particularly of the type that is illustrated in William Odum's book on Italian Furniture of the 18th Century. CONTINUED ON PAGE 54





Rosewood and the Forgotten Man:

Ask any layman to name the best known American furniture designer, and the answer will invariably be Duncan Phyfe. If the layman knows antique furniture particularly well he is likely to remember the names of Samuel McIntire of Salem, William Savery of Philadelphia, and John Goddard of Newport, in that order. Ask the same layman something about John Henry Belter and it's ten to one that all you will get is a blank stare.

Now that is strange, since for the 25 years that John Belter made and sold furniture in New York City he was just as successful and just as well known as any of these earlier craftsmen. He inspired even more imitators, and if you say "Victorian Furniture" to that same average layman the first thing he will think of is the sort of elaborately carved hooped back chair, generally of rosewood and upholstered in haircloth, with which Belter's numerous imitators flooded the country during the 50's and 60's.

Say John Henry Belter to the cognoscenti, particularly those different designers who have

ROSEWOOD AND THE FORGOTTEN MAN



DRESSING ROOM IN THE CENTRAL PARK SOUTH

PENTHOUSE OF MR. & MRS. L. VICTOR WEIL,

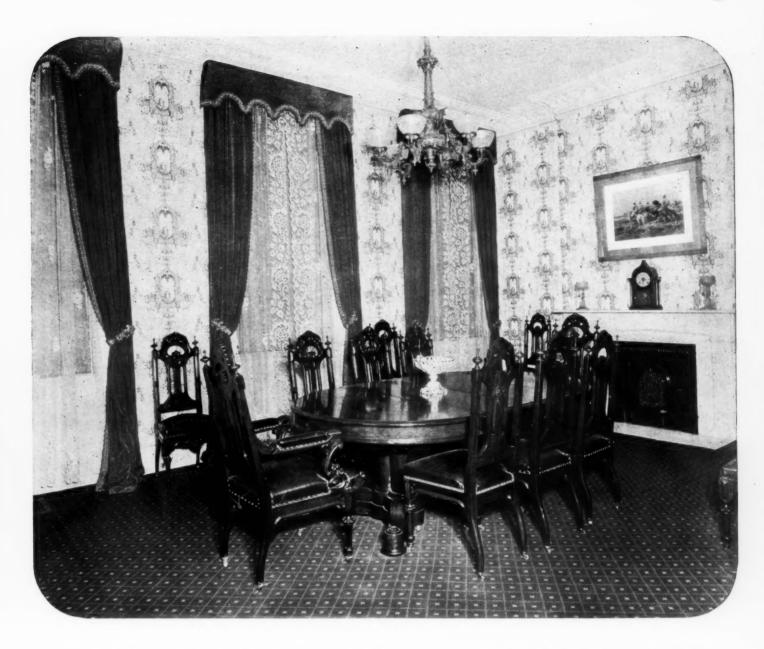
DECORATED BY HOWARD P. WILSON. THE FIVE

BELTER CHAIRS HAVE BEEN REFINISHED AND RE
UPHOLSTERED TO BLEND WITH THEIR MODERN SUR
ROUNDINGS. FAMILY MEMENTOS ARE ON THE WALL.

attempted to revive Victorianism during the past ten years, and you get a different reaction. They know the name. They can recognize his elaborately carved pieces from those of his simpler imitators, and they collect his furniture, but beyond that the record seems to be an almost complete void.

Research in three museums and two libraries has produced these few sparse facts:

- 1) John Henry Belter was born in New York about the year 1800, and died there in 1865. No authentic likeness of him is known to exist.
- 2) As a young man he made one trip to Albany on a Hudson River packet. He fell in love with a pretty



Albany Dutch girl and married her within the week.

3) His shops are known. The first, opened in 1844, was at 40 Chatham St., now known as Park Row. Ten years later he moved to 547 Broadway, and finally to 722 Broadway where he worked until his death in 1865. He was a fairly constant advertiser in New York papers, but apparently nobody ever asked him for an interview.

Rosewood was his favorite material and he spread rosewood furniture throughout the country, particularly in the South. New York was a great cotton market in the 50's and early 60's, and southern planters found Belter furniture very suitable

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DINING ROOM IN THE ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL

BIRTHPLACE OF ROOSEVELT I, AS IT

LOOKED IN 1860. THE MODIFIED RUSKIN

GOTHIC STYLE WAS ONE OF JOHN HENRY

BELTER'S LESS SUCCESSFUL INNOVATIONS, BUT WAS

MEANT TO BLEND WITH THE GAS CHANDELIER.

FLOOR COVERING COMMUNIQUE

FROM the floor covering theater comes a report that the WPB order of June 2 partially released coarse wools to assure the manufacturers of some carpets during the months to come. INTERIORS here reports on a number of the floor coverings which are relatively little affected by priorities.

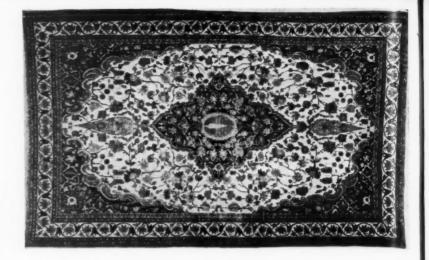
Cotton flannel has been used to produce a patterned rug... other types formerly thought suitable only for warm weather use are going to stay where they are when autumn arrives... flax from the Middle West and cotton from the South are seen in many weaves and colors, from a coarse shaggy texture to a soft chenille.

Rayon is being combined with wool to eke out the limited supply . . . wood fibres are used for rugs by several manufacturers of less expensive lines . . .

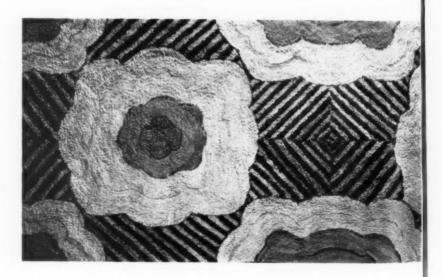
The demand increases for orientals. Rolls of these imported rugs, lying dormant for a number of years, are new being untied and finding ready sales, particularly as the colors provide the interior designer a release from existing dye problems.

Hard surface floor covering manufacturers are making quick adjustments to their problems—mainly shortages of cork and burlap; dyes have not been a great problem so far, therefore color choice is broad. "Shocking Pink," recently introduced for a linoleum, was the only color to go by the boards with one concern. It hasn't been greatly missed.

Though virtually all the big looms are converted to war orders, weaving duck cloth and other fabrics, manufacturers are nevertheless concerned about civilian requirements. Priorities has become the stepmother of invention. New combinations of materials, new uses of available fibers and substances, and new ideas on the production front will be the manufacturers' offspring to take the place of former lines.





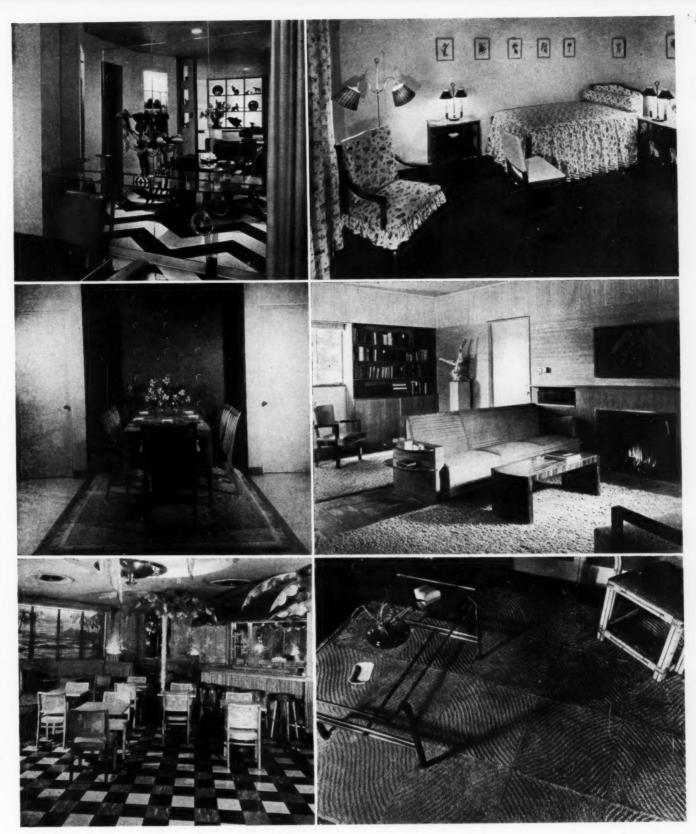


TOP: ANTIQUE LAVEHR KERMAN MEDALLION RUG, A CHOICE EXAMPLE OF MANY FINE ORIENTALS IN COLORS TO BLEND WITH ANY INTERIOR SCHEME. FROM THE LARGE COLLECTION AT KENT-COSTIKYAN, INC.

CENTER: HANOVER QUALITY TOPTON COTTON TUFTED RUG WITH
CHENILLE BACKGROUND AND HIGH PILE LOOP FORMING SCALLOPED BORDER.
TWELVE COLORS, FOUR SIZES. BIGELOW-SANFORD CARPET CO.

BOTTOM: HAND HOOKED RUG WITH SHEARED LOW PILE, WOVEN IN A SEMI-MODERN DESIGN FROM COTTON FLANNEL. AVAILABLE IN MIXED COLORS WITH YELLOW PREDOMINATING. FROM DE QUINTAL, INC.

INTERIORS



TOP: INLAID BLACK AND WHITE LINOLEUM FLOORING IN A CHEVRON DESIGN, USED FOR THE DINING ROOM OF AN APARTMENT BY MORRIS LAPIDUS, INTERIOR DESIGNER. LINOLEUM FROM ARMSTRONG CORK COMPANY.

TOP: TEXTURAL "RIPPLETONE" ALL-COTTON CARPET MADE BY AMSTERDAM TEXTILES. AVAILABLE THROUGH F. SCHUMACHER & COMPANY IN STOCK OR SPECIAL SIZES; RECTANGULAR, OVAL OR ROUND; SIXTEEN COLORS.

CENTER: DINING PORTION OF A LIVING ROOM CREATED BY CONGOLEUM-NAIRN, INC. FLOOR AND WALLS ARE BEIGE LINOLEUM; FLOOR SPACE AND RECESS OF THE DINING AREA IS TURQUOISE BLUE. CENTER: TOWN AND COUNTRY QUALITY RUG MANUFACTURED BY KLEARFLEX LINEN LOOMS, INC. OTHER TYPES FOR YEAR ROUND USE ARE WOVEN OF DURABLE LINEN AND COTTON IN MANY STYLES.

BOTTOM: THIS POPULAR COCKTAIL ROOM OF A HOWARD JOHNSON RESTAURANT USES THE TILE TEX COMPANY'S DURABLE ASHPHALT TILE IN A THREE COLOR COMBINATION FOR COVERING THE ENTIRE FLOOR.

BOTTOM: COTTON CHENILLE RUG SEWN TO ANY SIZE FROM 18" SQUARES. WIDE RANGE OF COLORS IN STOCK, OR OTHERS SPECIAL ORDERED. MADE BY WAITE CARPET CO., DISTRIBUTED BY PRM FLOOR COVERINGS, INC.

THE
OPEN FACED
SHOP

by Morris Ketchum, Jr.



A TYPICAL NEW YORK SHOW WINDOW OF TODAY—WHICH EMPLOYS
INTERIOR DESIGN, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, ELABORATE MANNEQUINS
AND A STAGE ELECTRICIAN TO SELL A RED CHECKED GINGHAM DRESS.
ITS VERY PERFECTION IS CAUSING ITS DOWNFALL.



INTERMEDIATE STEP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE OPEN FACED SHOP THE OLD ARCADE FRONT, STREAMLINED, IS OPENED STILL FURTHER BY INSERTING HEAVY PLATE GLASS DOORS, SO THAT WINDOW GAWPERS CAN EASILY VIEW THE HANDSOME INTERIOR.

THE photograph at the left was chosen with malice aforethought and does not represent a stage setting or anybody's Park Avenue penthouse. It is an average display by one of Fifth Avenue's best known stores, in this case, Bonwit Teller's. During the past twenty years New York City has led the world in developing the show window to glamorous perfection, once the old tradition that somehow or other everything in the store had been dumped into the store window, had been safely discarded.

The display directors of our better stores enlisted all the technique of the theatre,—and in many cases theatrical designers themselves,—the better to glorify a limited quantity of merchandise, or even a single isolated object. Mannequins were styled to perfectly imitate or perfectly conventionalize the human figure. Store architects worked with their clients to build special store windows exactly to the size and scale of the merchandise on display, with appropriate flexibility of backgrounds and lighting. With each trying to outdo the other, the business became so competitive that or-



NARROW SHOP FRONTS, AND LACK OF CORRECTLY PROPORTIONED WINDOWS TO SHOW SMALL OBJECTS, LED SHOP DESIGNERS BACK TO THE OLD ARCADE. HERE MODERNIZED AND SHREWDLY LIT OPAQUE DOORS STILL MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE INTO THE SHOP ITSELF.

ganizations like the Fifth Avenue Association had to draw up rules about what a display manager couldn't do. He couldn't use motion, or living figures, or sound in his window displays, and I believe they have recently been forbidden from squirting odors out at the passers by.

Beyond that the sky was the limit, and the result was like the evolution of the dinosaur, so perfect an adaptation to environment that there was no place left to go, no further opportunity for change or development. Unfortunately, the design of the store front itself did not keep pace with the brilliant evolution of the show window. Stores still were two dimensional flat faced posters. Only the entrance doors related them to their sales rooms. Worse still, their size was limited horizontally by the width of the store, and vertically by the height of the store.

Some ten years ago, to increase the size of window displays, modernists began to feature a sort of streamlined version of the old arcade in which the public was invited to window shop, under cover, in a sort of open

room off the street. The store, shown above, is an excellent example of this type.

But while all this was going on store keepers and store designers seem to have completely forgotten that every store has an interior as well as a façade. Plenty of talent and money was spent to beautify sales rooms, but only the customers who had passed the barrier of the entrance doors and were pretty sure to buy something anyway were allowed to be impressed by all this magnificence.

Obviously the next step was to let the window shoppers see something of the shop's interiors by putting sheer glass doors at the end of the arcade. This step, by the way, would have been impossible ten years earlier. Anyone who remembers the Fifth Avenue mansions of the '90's knows that there is nothing new about plate glass doors, but the glass had to be protected with bronze or wrought iron grilles. It was only the perfection of the inch thick modern plates such as "Herculite" that made the sheer plate glass door possible.

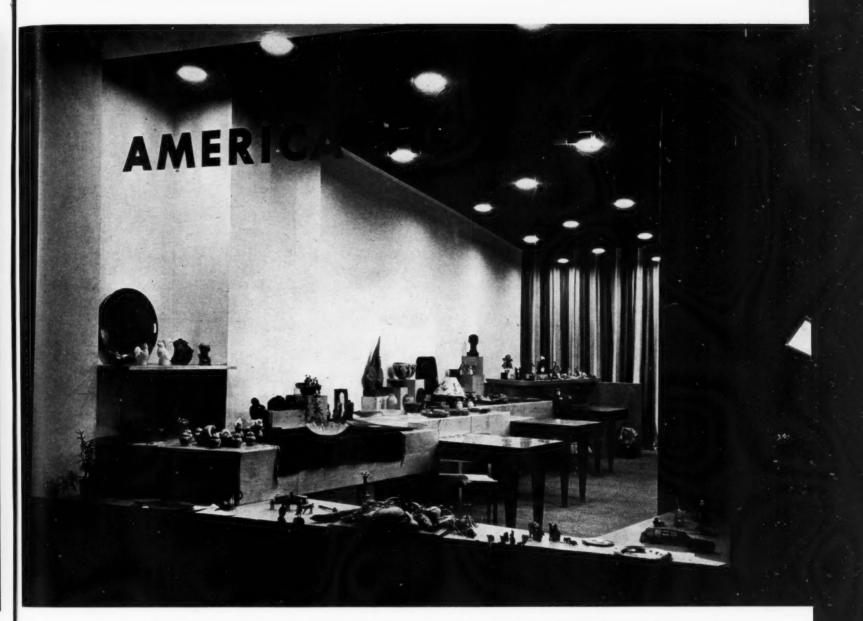
Obviously, the next step in store design was to make



HERE, AND ON THE OPPOSITE PAGE, ARE TWO SMALL MANHATTAN STORES THAT ILLUSTRATE THE PRINCIPLES OF THE OPEN FACED SHOP. NOTE THAT THE WHOLE INTERIOR HAS BECOME PART OF THE SHOW WINDOW, THERE IS NO DUPLICATION OF DECORATION. INTERIOR CASES ARE BUILT SO THAT ALL THEIR CONTENTS ARE VISIBLE FROM THE STREET.

the store interior the showcase. At no additional cost over a budget that includes both conventional showcases and a conventional interior, the two can be married by a great picture window. The result is to give depth, three dimensions and human activity to store design, and this is what we have come to call the Open Faced Shop, the shop in which the entire interior is the show window. The other two pictures on pages 44 and 45 will illustrate what I mean.

Other designers who believe in the principle of the Open Faced Shop have had little difficulty in explaining its advantages to the owners of small stores,—frankly we believe that it would be impossible for a smart small shop in a major city to stay in business without adopting much of this principle, but it is very difficult to explain its advantages to proprietors of chain stores, who would like to shield a milling crowd inside,—jewelry stores, who need small display cases to show small objects,—or department stores who are justly proud of their set theatrical window displays.



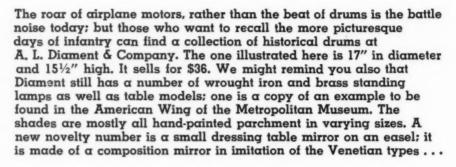
Proponents of the Open Faced Shop would be the last to deny that there are many times when a set window display is of great value, but they also insist that this type of design can retain all the techniques of show window display with the additional punch and excitement given by an exciting interior. It is easy enough, for example to set up a temporary display window or even a miniature bulls eye window in any part of an Open Faced Shop, whenever necessary. But if Marcus & Co. the Fifth Avenue jewellers whose skillful use of miniature windows first called attention to this type of design, should ever feel it necessary to open up their whole interior, they couldn't do it without hiring a wrecking crew and another architect.

As for the display managers, those highly trained experts that the traditional show window has produced. The Open Faced Shop should give them twice the opportunity they have had before. Their domain is no longer a 14' x 8' box, but the whole darn store interior, spung back to the rear wall.

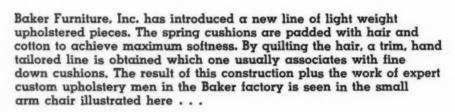
HERE AGAIN, THERE IS NO FORMAL SHOW WINDOW, YET THIS LITTLE
SHOP HAS TWICE THE DISPLAY SPACE OF A TRADITIONAL STORE OF ITS
SIZE. NOTE DARK CEILING AND CONCEALED SPOTLIGHTS TO GIVE AN ADDED
SENSE OF HEIGHT, AND GRADUATED TABLES TO MAKE EVERY OBJECT VISIBLE.
BURGLARS HATE AN OPEN FACED SHOP, IT MAKES THEM FEEL LIKE GOLDFISH.

newsreel





Those of you who haven't looked sharply about your main shopping thoroughfare recently—53rd Street and Madison—may not have noticed that Charles J. Winston Company has opened a new showroom at 44 East 53rd for the convenience of interior designers and architects. This firm still maintains its larger showrooms and offices where you have found them in the past—2 West 47. An ample stock of imported crystals and antique prisms allow the usual fine assembling of chandeliers and lamps. All designs are selected trom samples or are made to your own specifications. Sketches of individual designs are continually being sent all over the country. You will also like to know that some lantern type fixtures are still available . . .





F. Schumacher & Co. announces the introduction of ten new patterns, styled and designed by Dorothy Draper. The colorings and designs give the necessary pep and cheerfulness we need today. A marbleized stripe alternates with a plain color; the Draper plaster scroll is stylized for another chintz; Rose-on-Rose appears in vibrant red and white. Four machine prints (glazed chintz) retail for \$1.35; two screen prints go for \$2.25 and \$1.95; and the four woven goods designs—Stripe, Scroll, Diagonal and Mesh, retail from \$2.65 to \$4.90. There are about three colorings for each . . .

A choice collection of moderately priced decorative accessories and occasional furniture pieces are gathered at Bertha Wechsler, 602 Madison Avenue. Furniture items include small sized Regency consoles, tables, breakfronts and chairs. Among the accessories are a unique group of porcelain clocks: a variety of smart lamps, one made from a demi-tasse cup and saucer: and mirror-backed shadow boxes in pickeled pine. The stock of Beautyrest mattresses may be useful to you before long . . .

There will be no more innerspring mattresses—but no need to worry either, according to the Simmons (Beautyrest) Company. Six new mattresses have been brought out to replace the innersprings formerly carried. They range in price from \$19.95 for all-cotton to \$59.50 for a combination of hair and felt. Two entirely new mattresses, approximately $2\frac{1}{2}$ " thick goes on a 7" deep box spring to sell as a unit. Open coil springs are now attached to or fitted over a wood base; another measure to conserve steel . . .

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ROSEWOOD AND

THE FORGOTTEN MAN

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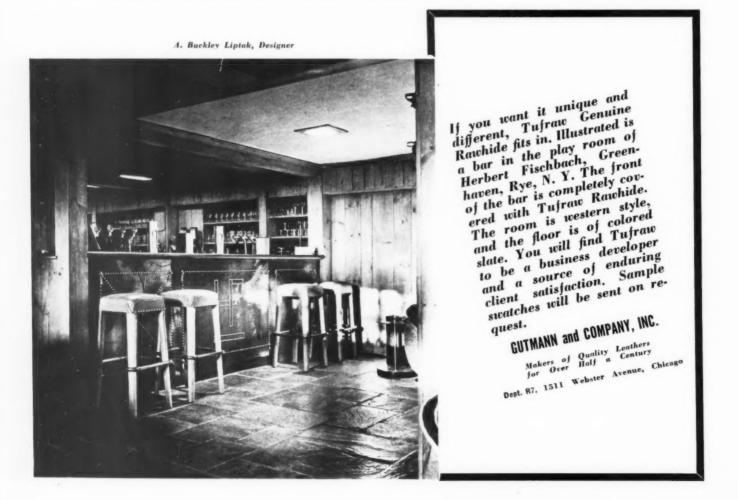
for the Old Kentucky Home. Present day designers honor Belter for still another reason, he was one of the first to use plywood for its structural, not its decorative value. Belter's favorite rosewood is a brittle material, but by making a cross grained sandwich of from three to five sheets of $^{1}\!/_{\!S}$ inch rosewood, bound with a secret glue of his own invention, the material became strong enough to stand up under the amazingly intricate carving he executed.

The modern dressing room shown on page 40 is furnished with Belter pieces scraped of their original finish and reupholstered with a handsome pink and blue heavy French brocade. The dining room shown is from the house in which Theodore Roosevelt was born, now a public museum. The dining room set, returned to the museum by Teddy's daughter, Mrs. Douglas Robinson, does not seem to be in the usual Belter style, but was identified as Belter by no less an authority than Mrs. James Ward (Miniature Rooms) Thorne of Chicago. Besides this modified Ruskin Gothic, Belter also made some furniture in the Spanish style.



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With those who know and sell original Belter furniture, the prices run fairly high. However, in Pittsfield, Mass., a fine set of six Belter chairs, which had been used in the guild room of a church, were sold for only five dollars each. They were purchased by an interior designer who estimates their market value today at three hundred dollars for the set. A New Jersey dealer is known to have an extensive collection of Belter pieces, representative of his many varied styles.



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Granick Furniture Company now has its fall line ready; the pieces include Modern and 18th Century upholstered chairs and sofas. Most of these are made with tight seats, tufting and soft spring and hair cushions. Did you know that Granick also manufactures a complete line of upholstered headpieces and custom-upholstered beds? About thirty different types with wood or upholstered frames are on display. Any style to order. . . .

Wood and Hogan Co. has issued an attractive new brochure—with a royal purple cover—"To America, From Britain." Contained in it are photographs of rare English antiques, the finest examples of master craftsmanship. Antiques have proved a sound investment through past wars and depressions. English people are avidly buying antique furniture today and Americans are growing more conscious of the value of such an investment. . . .

Patricia Smith is a young artist who recently had an exhibition at Hans Knoll's showroom of her carved lacquered linoleums and creations in many materials. These designs are particularly applicable to furniture, as seen by the new group designed by Jens Risom, shown in conjunction with the exhibit. Interesting effects have been created by Miss Smith through the use of synthetic resins, clear and translucent vehicles with dyes, crystals of silicate, glass chips, mica and pearl essence—to name a few. . . .

The Armstrong Cork Company has found a substitute, in a special type felt, for the burlap formerly used as a backing for their Standard Gauge Straight Line Inlaid linoleum. This felt is tougher, more tear-resistant and more easily handled than that previously used in the manufacture of hard surface floor coverings. Furthermore, years of research to develop this product have resulted in another welcome fact—it's cheaper than the burlap. This same felt is also being used for the Plain and Jaspe in both $\frac{1}{8}$ " and Standard Gauge. . . .

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Fred Leighton's on 8th Street has perked up under new splashy colorful Mexican backgrounds for the attractive Mexican wares for sale here. They also added a Latin-American Decorating Department which has



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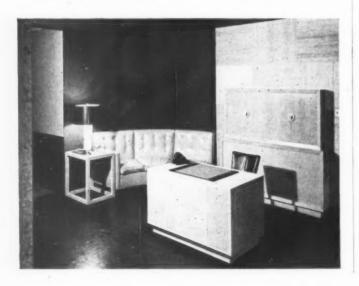
FURNITURE

The Custom Made Furniture for the new offices of The Blue Network Co., Inc. and the showrooms of the Vanity Fair Silk Mills, Inc. was built by Roswell Snider from designs by Virginia Conner.

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created a number of room settings to testify to the appealing effects obtainable through the use of these brilliant colors and native designs. A bedroom, kitchen, study, dining room and other room suggestions are to be seen. The kitchen is unique as it combines modern American conveniences with the Mexican custom of hanging clay pots, pitchers and plates of graduating sizes on the wall in a design arrangement. You should stop in here one day soon to get a few ideas on how to use these wares, which include everything from furniture to pig banks, for they will inspire you to think of many more. . . .

Salvatore Bevelaqua has designed a number of additional pieces for the Dusty Acorn line of solid oak furniture made by Old Hickory Furniture Company. A sectional grouping for the living room has a new trick to play: two chairs with only a right and left arm respectively, form a love seat when put together; the addition of a side chair expands it to a sofa. Matching chests for the bedroom have dogwood flower knobs as the sole decoration; matching mirrors are single or double size. Three new coffee tables have been added—one generously sized to a 36" diameter—and three new end tables. . . .

The Du Pont Color Selector book, which offers one of the most comprehensive means of showing clients over 2264 possible room color combinations, has been improved to include the leading interior wall colors chosen by prominent decoration authorities. This loose-leaf book contains transparent color pictures and more than 100 large painted sheets which give an accurate preview of what repainted homes will look like, inside and out. Du Pont's Fabrikoid Division has presented a wonderful tablecloth of Fabrikoid lacquered fabric for summer dining. One design has a scroll border-within-border; it comes in red, blue or green with white. The beauty of this material is that it can be easily washed off with a soapy cloth. . . .

Collins & Aikman Corp. has a timely little booklet which they will be glad to send you on the care and cleaning of automobile and furniture upholstery. It tells you how simple it is to wash velvets, how to remove the bubble gum that Junior mislaid on the sofa, and the easiest method of banishing all traces left from the previous afternoon's cocktail party. These and other similar problems have all been covered in this booklet, which makes a safe guide since all remedies have been tried and tested in the Collins & Aikman laboratories.... Another authoritative and informative booklet on "How to Take Care of your Carpets and Rugs" is being issued by the Institute of Carpet Manufacturers of America, Inc., Empire State Building, New York City. The Institute will be only too glad to send you a copy free of charge. Some of the topics covered are: selecting floor coverings which are the best value; proper methods of installation; care and maintenance, and recommended methods of professional cleaning. . . .

Zeon "Cold Cathode" is a name you should become familiar with in the fluorescent lighting industry for it presents a new method of approach, making possible economical operation, greater flexibility of application and newer, higher levels of light efficiency. The economy angle means burning hours often in excess of 10,000; effect lighting means slender, custom-built tubes, shaped in an endless variety of graceful curves to follow the room's contour or the original design thought up by your client. Zeon "Cold Cathode" is a product of Federal Electric Company, Inc., Chicago. They will explain further details to you in a profusely illustrated catalog showing outstanding work which has already been done. . . .

Pen-crome Blond wood finishes, made by the O'Brien Varnish Company, South Bend, Ind. has managed to combine light pleasant tints obtainable by using paint, with the easy maintenance of natural wood finishes. A new folder describing the procedure and advantages of finishing plywood with these Pen-crome colors may be had for the asking—and mentioning of this publication. . . .

A new studio for the designing and making of silk and other fabric lamp shades has been opened in Chicago by Mildred Knight, successor to Willa Thurman Doubson, retired. The address is 700 N. Michigan Ave. . . .

George Lifton, formerly with the Nahon Company for a great number of years, has now returned to this company in the capacity of sales manager. . . .

The new showrooms of the Maybrook Bedding Company at 235 East 42nd Street is within easy stepping distance of your usual haunts. This firm has a large display of bedding, daybeds, studio couches, divans, upholstered headboards and custom-built beds. Your own blueprints or specifications for specially designed beds will be accurately followed out. . . .

Two new pamphlets have been issued by the Formica Insulation Company. One shows standard push and kick plates for doors, available in four standard colors; they are practical in that they won't spot, stain, chip or crack and are easy to clean. The other publication in color shows the striking combinations used for soda fountain installations, proving that color is one of the major factors in increasing sales. . . .

News from The American Furniture Mart, regarding the recent summer market which has been current there, indicates that there is a bright future for the wood working trade. Compregnated and impregnated woods, in which the binding materials are forced into the wood itself, are known as wood plastics which are being used to manufacture airplanes. Sawdust is even being put to good use. Price control regulations have gone into effect for the furniture industry . . . transportation and delivery problems are slated to become more serious this summer . . . simplifications were seen in the designing of all lines. . .







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PARSON'S COMPETITION

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In making this specific suggestion as to design source it was felt that the furniture of this period showed fine proportions as well as imaginative design. Further, it was felt that this was suitable to commemorate Mr. Odum's recent death and long connection with the school. The project in this competition was a definite one that was meant to encourage the students to think along a line that would have a practical application to their work yet at the same time permit a free and creative approach to a room as a whole. The result intended was to place emphasis on the room as a whole rather than on the individual design of a piece of furniture or any effort to create a specific new style.

The judges consisted of Mrs. Archibald Brown of Mc-Millen, Inc., Joseph B. Platt, Hollis S. Baker and Willian Millington. This important foursome felt that all winners and mentions indicated definite talent in design as well as in the expression of the ideas and colors on paper. First prize went to Alexander Cagna whose drawings included renderings of the same scheme in a varying range of color treatment; all of his drawings showed individual thoughts and an attractive and unique treatment of the project. The second prize winner, Thomas Moore, showed a high degree of technical skill and a dramatic sense of value in the two rooms which he designed. The room which won third prize was designed by Margaret Seagren. It conforms very closely to the precise thought of the competition, presenting a clever and usable solution of the problem; the low toned color scheme in grays and browns and black is effectively handled and brought to life by the use of important furniture in off white which derives from Baroque sources.

Honorable mention was also given to Susan Bottomley, Eunice Carter, Philip Hertz and Edwina Varetta. The rooms submitted by these students were also most interesting and attractive in both design and color.



PAHLMANN'S FAREWELL

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graphs; an Early American room with fabrics taken from Victory garden vegetables; a living-dining room with an intelligent modern adaptation of the traditional yachtman's swing down table; another sitting room, in which Pahlmann has used, most expertly, military prints, as suggested in INTERIORS for July 1941, and Dutch Colonial antiques (INTERIORS, May 1942); a typically baroque bedroom has a floor painted to look, if not to feel, as though there were a rug on it. All of these rooms deserve considerable study from Pahlmann's brother and sister designers for they well illustrate his great talents in the use of brilliant color, in his ready acceptance of new materials and practices. And there is still another reason to admire Mr. Pahlmann's rooms: for the first time he has felt it necessary to work on a budget. Priorities, and the store's accountants made it impossible for him to use all the specially designed furniture, fabrics, and other devices to which he has become accustomed. Antiques had to fill the bill because there was little else available,-antiques and imagination. Only two of the rooms have rugs, the floor coverings business being what it is, and those two have differing uses of the same type of cotton loop carpeting, from Carter Bros. On the other hand William Pahlmann suffers badly from whimsey. For reasons best known to himself, these six rooms are known as the Pahlmann Proverbs. The friends of Alexander Woollcott, who used to get a masochistic pleasure in collecting gruesome bits of commercial cloy, hope that his health improves still further before he learns what the Pahlmann Proverbs are.

Room No. 1: (game room) "Friends sticketh (sic) closer than wallpaper."

Room No. 2. (dining room): "A bird in the chintz is worth two in the bush."

Room No. 3: (early American Living Room): "Great rooms from little seed packets grow."

Room No. 4: (dining-sitting room): "Here today, walls tomorrow."



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Room No. 5. (another sitting room): "It's a strange rug that doesn't know its own master."

Room No. 6. (bedroom): "New floors are paved with good intentions." This is the one that has the fake rug painted on the floor.

The sentence of the year came not from Mr. Pahlmann's office, but from the publicity department of Lord & Taylor, who described the living room shown on page 35 in this wise:

"This room is a cocktail and game room, and features two red banquettes that in an emergency can be turned into beds." They really shouldn't play those games.

STYLING FURNITURE (NOW AND THEN)

by Edward Wormley

Editor's Note: Edward Wormley, for many years chief designer for the Dunbar Furniture Co., is now serving his country in Washington on the Consumers' Durable Goods Branch of the Office of Price Administration. Before the annual Institute for Design of the New York Decorators Club, Mr. Wormley recently spoke on the problems of styling today's furniture. Also covered was the price ceiling problems of interior designers. Because of the importance of these subjects to the entire industry, we are glad to reprint excerpts from text:

It has been my observation over a number of years that





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titles of talks are proposed or selected with some of the abandon with which Pullman cars are named. So, in accepting an invitation to be with you today to talk about styling furniture, I have, from the first, in my own mind added the words "Now and Then" to my subject "Styling Furniture."

In Washington, where I am now an adolescent of four months—one is grown at six months, and an old-timer in a year—the words "now" and "then" become the evernormal standards. All pre-war considerations of apparent moment must measure to this standard. Inevitably many of them shrink. From a happy concern with styling furniture for one firm then, nursing its growth, being nervous for its prestige, it is my privilege now to survey from the top of a littered desk the good spirit with which an entire industry tries on a new strait-jacket. Along with all business it does this with the conscious knowledge that while the binding hurts it also preserves and may, we earnestly hope, cure.

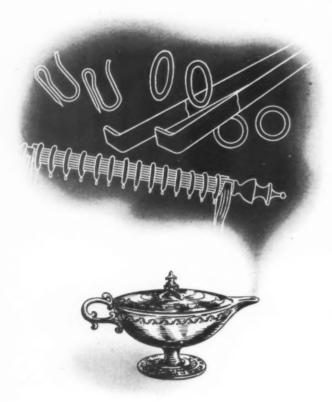
"Styling" furniture up to now (I always called it designing and we could argue the point) has been a good deal like your decorating jobs. In both it was necessary for a satisfactory solution to ask oneself whether consideration had been paid to the following factors:

- (1) Are you filling the customer's need and not merely your own wishes?
- (2) Is your solution too temporal? Will it date, since everything dates, before it affords value received?









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These questions, even answered occasionally with a degree of self-affirmation, are not enough today.

This is a decorators' and designers' war just as surely as it is the steelmakers'. And conversion to its angry needs will just as surely be our roles, though they may be slower and less noisy ones.

Horrible as the world conflict is can't we see in the raw scars of a nation so determined on victory a confident glow of health? We will not just do without things that are scarce or strategic; we will not just put aside business as usual for the time being; we will recognize that these cuts are deeper.

We can build a new world where a spirit of rationalism becomes the dominating force of society not just through necessity but also through determined choice. There will be the physically and mentally sick all over the world to be healed; the ruins to clear away and rebuild; new homes to be established, as much because old ones are out-moded or badly located as through wartime destruction; whole new communities or regions to be reclaimed or developed to serve the new technologies that will evolve from these months of feverish laboratory



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application.

We can work with new materials galore; magnesium reclaimed from the sea; rubber synthesized from our own bountiful agriculture or from oil, new plastics from wood-waste, from milk, or combined in new ways with paper or wood; newly cultivated fibres native to our continent and hemisphere; aluminum, steel-, and other metal-working facilities which will give wood a run for its money. In our fields as well as many others, I can see cast and extruded metal articles of undreamed-of lightness, attractiveness, and low-cost.

Herein lies the adjustment, it seems to me, which designers and decorators can make in turning from then to now. It is essentially a matter of turning one's thoughts from exclusiveness at relatively high-cost to appropriateness at low cost. It is the job of our professions to evolve for themselves the ways in which they can readapt their powers of invention and their sensitiveness to relationships formerly exercised for class purchasers so they may enrich the lives of millions.

We are not doing our duty as artists, or thinking straight as citizens, if we conceive of this transition job as one of "copying down." That is what we have been doing. Pseudo Chippendale chairs at a price anyone can pay, are not the answer.

I wouldn't be so rash as to predict the disappearance of the very human kind of assertion which expresses itself in pursuit or possession of the special. This is

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This can't be done by perpetuating the squirrel-cage eclecticism of revived fashions, of which Wright speaks, even when relieved by whimsical antiquarianism. Nor can it be helped by smearing fresh cliché's (such as streamlining) all over the externals of things.

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You, of course, have already marked your stocks of articles not exempted under the provisions of the General Maximum Price Regulation in accordance with its terms. This will mean that they are marked in plain dollars-and-cents figures preceded by the words "Ceiling Price" or "Our Ceiling," based on your March 1942 maximum selling price for the same or similar articles. Mr. Henderson has said they may be marked in three different ways: (1) by marking the ceiling price on the item itself, (2) by marking the shelf, bin, rack, or other

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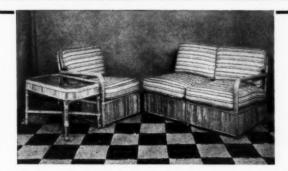
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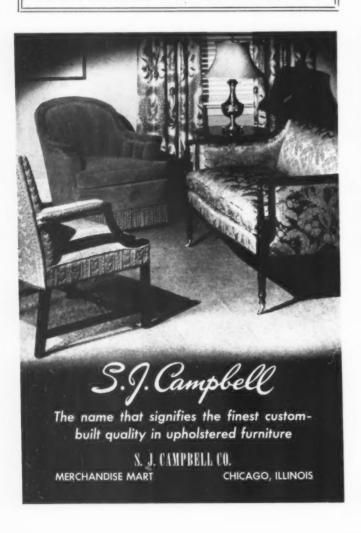
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You are expected to be keeping the same records as other retailers. I shan't read from the General Maximum Price Regulation the nature of those records in detail but have brought along copies which you may ask for and keep. Besides March, 1942 (the base period) records of maximum prices, current records will be kept also.

You will later be required to register your establishments selling at retail any commodity or service for which a maximum price has been established.

Consultation fees for advice to clients, charged in addition to the mark-up you make on merchandise for which you are the retailer or selling-agent, are included under the terms of the regulation, inasmuch as the Office of Price Administration has ruled that services made in connection with the sale of a commodity are subject to the terms of the General Maximum Price Regulation.

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rowly as possible, as you can well understand, and as such these are not exempt under this provision. Advisory fees will be considered "personal services not rendered in connection with a commodity only when charged not in connection with a sale of merchandise.

Consultation or other fees or stipulations for payment which it was your practice to deduct from later purchases made by the client will remain in effect without allowable increase.

What articles which decorators often carry in stock are exempt?

- 1. Genuine antiques (defined as articles which (a) tend to increase rather than to decrease in value because of age; and (b) are purchased primarily because of their authenticity, age, rarity, siyle, etc., rather than for utility; and (c) are commonly known and dealt in as antiques by the trade. If an article is less than 75 years old, it will almost never be an antique.) This does not exclude anything that is merely used furniture.
- 2. Knotted oriental rugs.
- 3. Paintings, etchings, sculptures and other art objects. This latter exemption has already been the subject of a special interpretation. The phrase "objects of art covers articles of the same general class as "paintings, etchings and sculptures." To be an object of art articles must also be the product of an individual's skill and unique in the sense that it is not identical with any other artistic product. Handicraft articles are not ex-



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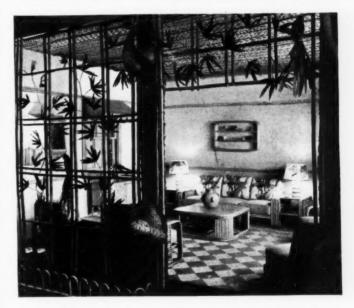
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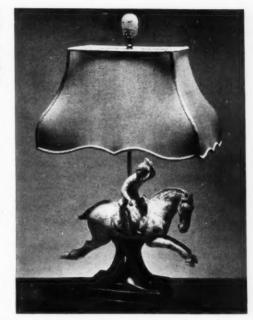
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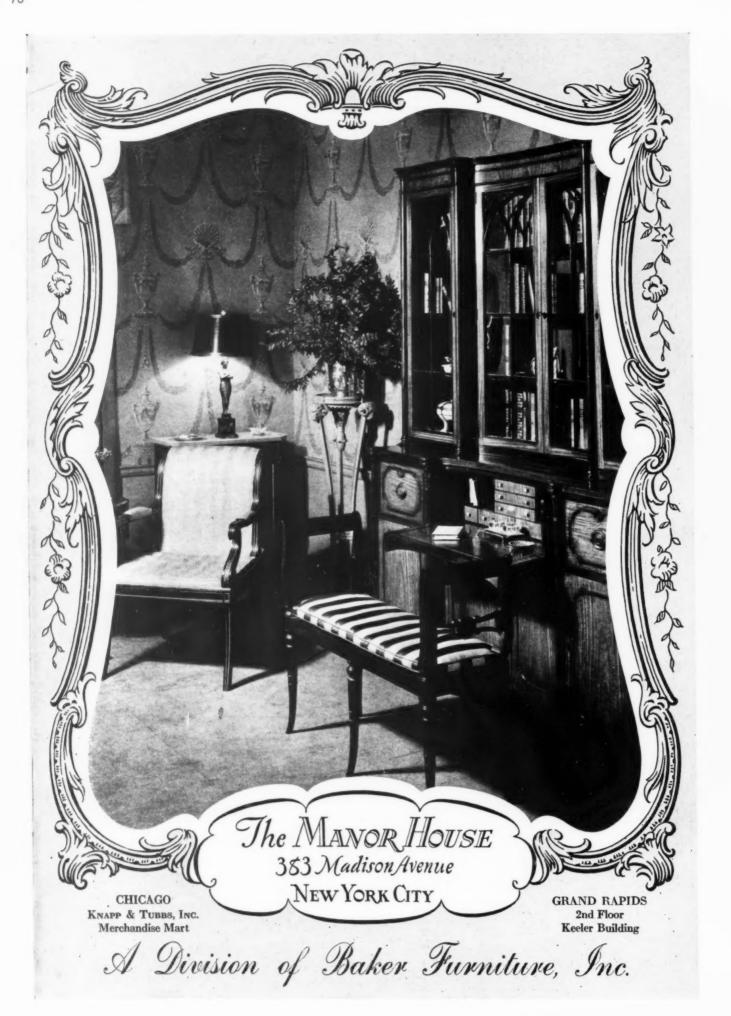


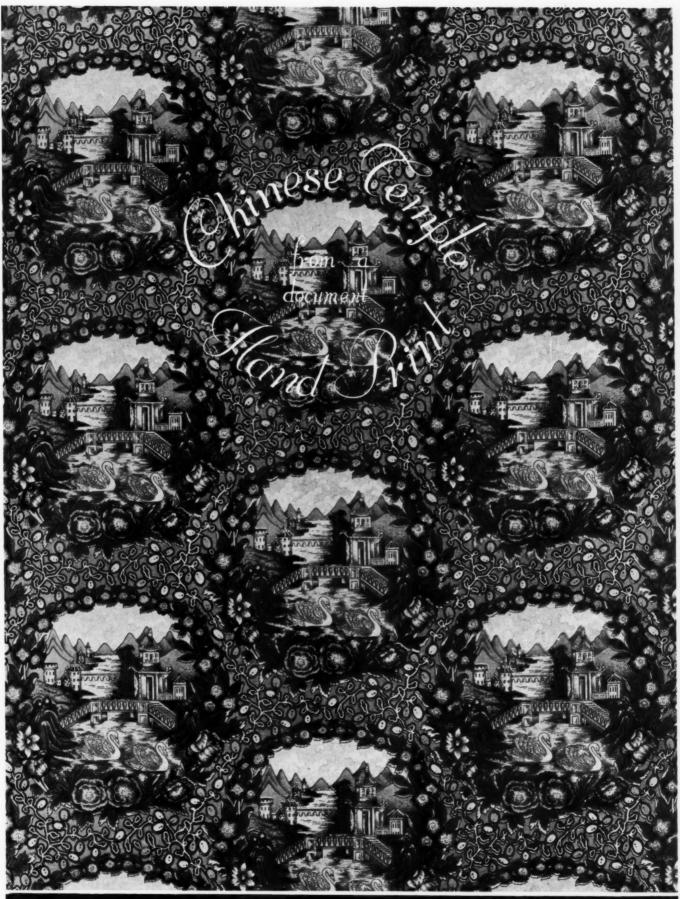
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