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National growth policy: the AIA builds a strong new framework for action

Archibald Rogers, the new (since December) president of the American Institute of Architects, is a man with a cause.

Since the formation of the first AIA task force, Arch Rogers has been perhaps the nation's most ardent supporter of AIA (and other) efforts to establish and give teeth to a national policy for urban growth and regrowth—and most especially land-use policy. He now has lots of new help—with a lot of new muscle.

The first report of the AIA's National Policy Task Force, of which Rogers was the chairman, created a massive stir when it was published in January 1972. A detailed analysis of that report—and the reaction to it by the 1972 AIA Convention—was given in RECORD, June 1972. Later (in November 1972) a special Ford Foundation-financed conference was held to analyze and criticize the conference. And the Third Report, just issued, attempts to respond to the complaints of some whom felt their ox was gored, expands to meet the legitimate complaints of some whose interests were overlooked (inevitable in an effort this broad), and faces up to disagreement with some other interest groups.

New input has tempered some of AIA's original proposals

As a result of the 1972 "constraints conference," the then-president of the NAHB, Stanley Waranch, suggested that his and other organizations might join in developing the next report.

The AIA wisely (and unselfishly, since they had done a great deal of research and spent a great deal of time and money) did accept input from other organizations, and a Coalition for a National Growth Policy has now been established with active participation, or at official representation, from 39 organizations—ranging from such conservative bodies as the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and NAREB to the activist National Organization of Minority Architects and the National Committee Against Discrimination in Housing; from the Junior League of Washington and the League of Women Voters to the Associated General Contractors. The Coalition now includes mortgage banking interests, engineering bodies (ASCE and NSPE), landscape architects, planners, lawyers, industrial designers, the United States Conference of Mayors, and many other appropriate and concerned groups.

The organizations, working in coalition with AIA, have brought some tempering and enlargement of the AIA's original ideas—changes that will be greeted by some with relief and dismissed by others as 'copping out.' For example, there was a large amount of politically conservative objection to the First Report's alleged "over-reliance on an enlarged role for government," and its recommendation of power shifts to regional agencies of authority now exercised by city authorities. Many in the black community, supported by liberal sentiment in AIA and elsewhere, felt the First Report—with its emphasis on the development of new neighborhood "growth units"—gave far too little attention to inner-city and minority problems. Others argued that the First Report unwisely paid little attention to small-town and rural housing opportunities as an alternate to increased loading (overloading?) of cities.

Many felt that the First Report's assumption of continued population growth was a basic flaw—though it is now clear that even with zero population growth there will have been a substantial population increase by the year 2000.

Some of these concerns have been met—or at least are well understood by all.

But some of the most important proposals of the Task Force Report are still under fire

As the AIA's new report points out: "The principal disagreement appears to center upon the desirability and feasibility of imposing a national policy—any policy—upon our pluralist society. Additional disagreements focus upon these five proposals for inclusion in such a policy:

(a) the deliberate evolution of the Highway Trust Fund into a Community Development Fund;

(b) the recapture of that increment in the value of private property created by the public investment in the infrastructure [perhaps the hardest of all for many people—like home builders and land speculators to accept.—Ed.];

(c) the oversight by the states of police powers (such as zoning and subdivision regulation) now delegated to local governments;

(d) the establishment of metropolitan planning and development agencies with 'teeth.'

(e) the public acquisition of land for short-term conversion through private development [a common device in Europe.—Ed.] or for banking over the long term.'"

Controversial as they may be to some members of the new Coalition, the AIA has said that "these proposals stem from the First
Report’s 15 premises, which together form the philosophic cement for its recommended policy—and are therefore, at least for now, non-negotiable.

And hooray for that stand! For if the AIA, now that it has agreed to share its initiatives, gives in to pressure on matters it believes to be fundamental, surely this effort will be so compromised as to be useless—or like the Jackson land-use bill in Congress—sound good but be absolutely toothless.

The Third Report restates the philosophical base—and argues its acceptance

It recommends nine strategic elements as the framework for a national regrowth policy. All are easier stated than accomplished—but none should find disagreement among most architects for they go right to the heart of design and construction problems. They won’t (probably can’t) all be implemented—either physically or politically—but surely they are steps in the right direction. Wildly oversimplified (the complete report deserves careful study by every architect), the nine strategies are:

1) A population distribution strategy designed to:
   ...“foster resettlement within cities in ways which will relieve the pressure on ghetto concentrations of the poor and/or minorities, and attract tax-paying middle-income families back into the city;
   ...“enhance the economic and cultural opportunities of smaller cities and towns, as well as rural areas, in order to enlarge available locational strategic options”;
   ...“encourage the distribution of economic and employment magnets in ways that will reinforce these settlement patterns.”

2) A conservation strategy would be designed to identify and protect unique natural and man-made features, clean up our air and water, protect irreplaceable raw materials by finding alternates and by recycling, conserve the land through “a more rational system of design and development,” reduce energy consumption through tough incentives and disincentives while expanding the supply of energy resources.

3) A transportation strategy designed to provide a balanced system by “encouragement of alternatives to the automobile.”

4) A land-use strategy designed “to establish use and intensity criteria for the accommodation of new and renewed neighborhoods ...and supporting facilities”; to provide enough agricultural land; to encourage the thoughtful establishment of open space within and around urban areas and to “describe” the form of neighborhoods, towns, and cities; to provide near-at-hand recreation; and—most importantly—“to provide for the assembly, maintenance, and evaluation of all data required to accomplish land-use planning ...and the dissemination of these data to those charged with such planning and implementation, i.e. multistate regions, states, metropolitan areas, and local governments of sufficient size.”

5) A conservation design and development strategy designed “to discourage the subdivision of land for housing alone, encourage the development of Growth Units as well as remodeling of existing neighborhoods to meet Growth Unit Criteria, ...and encourage, for both, a location and design”—and how important this is—“that provides the fullest possible range of housing costs and types”;
   ...“shopping, employment and recreation wherever possible within walking distance of homes; and ...incorporate as systems such essential services as health care, education, and security...”

6) A housing strategy would be designed, according to the AIA report, to provide incentives for relatively low-cost housing, both new and renewed, “in adequate quality and quantity to satisfy the needs of low-income families ...recognizing that it must be not only within the economic reach of these users but also geographically accessible.”

The report, significantly, also insists that “incentives [be applied] toward the goal of reducing the cost of all elements that make up the annual housing dollar—not just construction cost [but] the cost of time in gaining public consents; the cost of land, money, services, operation, and components replacement.”

7) The next strategy called for is an “urban rebuilding strategy,” which AIA suggests should be designed to rebuild the city fabric, with new and enlarged functions for the CBD to assure its 24-hour use; new attention to commuting problems; and rebuilding of ghetto neighborhoods to minimize forced relocation.

8) A fiscal strategy, the AIA argues, should encourage public investments in ways that reinforce the other strategies, with (again) “re-capture by the public of a substantial portion of increments in the value of private property created by this public investment”. This fiscal strategy would also seek new sources of steady mortgage money, especially the “patient money” needed to cover the heavy front-end costs of the major building projects envisioned. The strategy also recognizes that the present tax and financing systems do not necessarily reward most those who subscribe to the other strategies—and would attempt to change that. Finally,

9) “A strategy for governance” would be designed “to identify the roles of the various levels of government in implementing these strategies” and “equip all levels of government with powers appropriate to their roles”—including specifically much more control over land use and the power to acquire land by purchase or—under appropriate safeguards—condemnation.

The Task Force proposals are, of course, strong medicine—but implementation begins

The AIA’s 1974 program—under Arch Rogers stewardship—will lean heavily in the direction of implementing these policies and strategies developed over the past three years.

Any architect can agree or disagree with this thrust—but I’d urge no architect to be disinterested. The “Structure for a National Growth Policy”—which should be in your office by now—is to my mind must reading. If you can help, with thoughts, or time, I’d urge you to volunteer that help to Washington.

For it seems to me that there is no more appropriate force to develop and plan for the growth and regrowth of this country than the architects assembled—and the other professionals they have gathered about them in the Coalition for a National Growth Policy. Political efforts have so far been blunted hopelessly by compromise. And without a policy—broadly accepted and respected—our country will continue to grow without direction, with little hope of correction of terrible ills, and with little hope of the kind of real excellence we all want for our future. —Walter F. Wagner Jr.
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President's budget message: increases for waste treatment and community development. Hospital construction would be terminated, but funds are proposed for historic preservation and new construction in national parks. Details on page 35.

Architecture in sympathy with users and the natural setting will be examined at the 1974 AIA convention, May 20-23 in Washington, D.C. In addition to discussion pertinent to the theme, "A Humane Architecture," convention activities will, according to AIA, include a range of tours emphasizing the variety of architectural environments and life-styles in the Washington-Baltimore area. A brief story on the convention appears on page 34.

Construction may increase in 1974 by 7.4 per cent to approximately $144 billion, according to the Associated General Contractors of America. The estimate is based on adequate fuel and materials supplies. However, AGC figures compare with a 2 per cent increase, or $101 billion, predicted by economists at McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company.

Fuel allocations for future construction will be assured, according to the Federal Energy Office. FEO administrator William E. Simon, meeting with construction industry representatives, said that in formulating allocation regulations, his agency has included construction in the "industrial" category, and allocations have been set at 110 per cent of the base-period volume.

December construction contracts slipped 5 per cent below the level of a year earlier, to $6,132,566,000 according to the F. W. Dodge Division of McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company. Despite this, last year's total contract value reached a record $100.1 billion for new construction work of all kinds, up 10 per cent from 1972. Part of the December drop was attributed to the decline in housing starts.

March 21, 1974 is the application deadline for the Rotch Travelling Scholarship of $11,000 for nine months' travel abroad. Second Prize is $6,000 for five months. Applicants must be under 31 years of age on March 10, 1974 and have an architectural record that includes study or experience in Massachusetts. Application forms may be obtained from Hugh Stubbins, Secretary, Rotch Travelling Scholarship Committee, 1033 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.

Congress has begun debate on a bill to authorize $50 million for solar heating and cooling research, for both residential and commercial applications. The demonstration program would last five years.

Work by women architects is invited for an exhibit sponsored by the New York Chapter, AIA. Submissions must be received by April 15, 1974. For further information, contact Rosaria Piomelli, NYC/AIA, 20 West 40th Street, New York, New York 10018. Phone (212) 565-1866.

Designing energy-saving techniques into new buildings will be discussed in eight national seminars, for architects and engineers, sponsored by the American Gas Association. Energy analysis through computer programs is to be a feature of the program. More information can be obtained from the American Gas Association, Arlington, Virginia.

March 15, 1974 is the deadline for receipt of the $80 registration fee for an international competition to develop the Portuguese island of Porto Santo. The competition is open to teams of Portuguese or foreign architects, and is approved by the International Union of Architects. Contact: Competition Secretariat, Planning of Porto Santo Island, Rua Ferreira Lapa Nº 29, Lisbon 1, Portugal.

A national design competition for low-rise buildings using aluminum has been announced by the Architectural Aluminum Manufacturers Association and The Aluminum Association. Eligible is any building five stories or less, new construction or rehabilitation, which has been completed since July 31, 1973. Entries must be received by October 1, 1974. For further information, contact the AAMA at 410 North Michigan, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

The AIA has informed state components that fee schedules may be a violation of anti-trust laws. In agreement, the New York chapter has withdrawn its fee schedules. Details on page 34.

Washington observers see mandatory Federal measures governing construction by next fall. Aimed specially at energy problems, the measures would influence all building types.

A building moratorium has been declared on 15 per cent of the greater Miami land area. The Dade County Commission approved the action, covering 200,000 acres, to protect the county's water supply. In the last two years, large-scale developers have been moving westward into the now-protected area, securing zoning for apartment construction averaging 25 units per acre.
AIA sees OSHA confusing designers

The American Institute of Architects codes and standards committee completed two days of meetings on problems concerning Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations which cause confusion for the designer by stipulating conditions which cause confusion for the designers codes and standards committees. AIA is working with the Council of American Building Officials and other professional bodies to get these differences resolved.

The AIA group also heard a report on the new draft proposal developed by the National Bureau of Standards on conservation of energy in new buildings.

Members expressed concern that any such standard might make new construction more costly—perhaps 10 to 20 percent higher.

AIA convention details announced

Host chapters for the 1974 AIA national convention have announced plans for the event, to be held in Washington, D.C. on May 19-23.

In a brochure released by the AIA headquarters in Washington, the Washington Metropolitan, Baltimore and Potomac Valley chapters outline a series of tours through the Capital, Maryland and Virginia, and present the range of professional conferences focused on the convention theme, "A Human Architecture."

Architects contracting for work with the Federal government will find one of the programs deals with value analysis and construction management, services currently sought by the General Services Administration. Also on the agenda are discussions of architect-oriented public relations programs.

Practice topics dealing with concentration on one special building type, design freedom, and national growth guidelines are also on the program.

Tours include Reston, Virginia; Baltimore; the Washington Metropolitan subway system; Arlington-Alexandria; Georgetown; Mt. Vernon; and major examples of the Capital's architecture, old and under construction.

This year, the reconvened convention will be in Madrid, Spain, from May 24 to June 8.

For registration information and further details on the convention, contact the AIA headquarters in Washington.

French city to have U.S.-built personal rapid transit

The city of Nancy, France, will have the world's first full-scale installation of an automated system for personal rapid transit—PRT—that promises to solve some pressing problems of urban transportation.

Using hardware developed by an Otis Elevator Company affiliate—Transportation Technology Incorporated—the new PRT system carries passengers in computer-supervised, air-pap-supported cars gliding along slender guideways above the traffic. Since the PRT cars are electrically propelled by an efficient linear-induction motor system, they neither consume gasoline nor contribute to air pollution, according to Otis.

The Denver-based TTI-Otis also set up its PRT vehicles for public view and demonstration rides prior to its demonstration in Denver with residents solidly passed a program to develop a PRT system. The TTI test track in Denver was one of the very few working test tracks for PRTs in the country.

I. M. Pei proposal suggests new life for landmark

Register to the commerce of the western hemisphere for nearly seven decades, the United States Custom House (model above) now stands abandoned at the tip of Manhattan. Distinguished by the history of its site, and its monumental scale, the building may become a center of shopping, entertainment and culture, combined with hotel or office space. GTA, hoping to see the building restored, plans to turn it over to the City of New York.

I. M. Pei & Partners have prepared proposals to bring the 1907 structure by Cass Gilbert up to date. The Custom House contains 450,000 square feet on seven floors. An elliptical rotunda forming the central court on the main floor measures 85 by 135 feet and is covered with a large skylight. (This was the scene of a large party of architects recently. See item on Ada Louise Huxtable, professional honors noted critic.)

HUD studies total energy systems

James T. Lynn, HUD Secretary, has announced the start-up of a total energy plant in New Jersey, launching a research project that could meet some of the nation's energy needs.

Located in a HUD-assisted development in downtown Jersey City, the $7.2-million packaged energy plant will demonstrate and, for the first time in the United States, evaluate the cost, efficiency and reliability of a total energy system as compared to conventional utility plants. Though other such plants exist in this country, none has conducted a scientific evaluation of cost and reliability data, from design through long-term operation.

HUD experts predict the total energy system will knock one-third off the amount of fuel presently spent on the site conventionally, and cut 25 percent from the annual cost of operating and maintaining a conventional utility plant.

Parallel to these initiatives in the energy field, HUD has completed a study on the economic feasibility of total energy systems on a national scale, and a report based on that analysis is now available free to anyone interested in the total energy field. Titled Economic Evaluation of Total Energy—Guidelines, the report permits quick assessment of a total energy system's potential for any size development at any location.

AIA award winners announced for 1974

Among the 1974 AIA award winners recently announced are: Kevin Roche John Dineklo and Associates, the Architectural Firm Award; Jack D. Train, the Edward C. Kemper Award for significant contribution to the profession; Walter McQuade, the Architecture Critics' Medal; Ralph Knowles, the Medal for Research; Stephen Van Duzen Cram (posthumously), the Whitney M. Young Jr. Citation for services rendered to minorities; the New York State Urban Development Corporation, the Citation of an Organization; David Hirsch, the Architectural Photography Medal; Ruth Asawa Lanier, Fine Arts Medal; Olivetti Company, Industrial Arts Medal; Kevin Lynch, Allied Professions Medal for urban design and planning; and Sheila Hicks, the Craftsman Shop Award.

The Institute also announced award of the 1974 Architecture Critics' Citation to The Regional Plan Association of New York, the world's oldest metro planning organization.

Ten honorary memberships will be conferred by AIA, and 11 architects from other countries have been elected Honorary Fellows.

All awards and honors will be presented at the AIA convention in Washington, May 19-23.

Profession honors noted critic

Ada Louise Huxtable (pictured), architecture critic for The New York Times was honored by members of the architectural profession and press at a gala black tie event held at the old U. S. Custom House in New York in December.

Ostensibly, the dinner held by The Architectural League of New York was to recognize Ms. Huxtable's recent appointment to the Editorial Board of the Times, and nearly 300 architects paid $100 each to attend. The money will benefit the New York Landmarks Conservancy. However, it is more important to note that the honor paid Ms. Huxtable tested to the continuing importance of her critical work in the cause of major architectural and environmental issues.

For the occasion, the Custom House (see renovation story) was spruced up, and the bronze gates and main entrance opened for the first time in 25 years. Arriving guests were heralded by trumpets, and in the foyer, a brass ensemble played baroque music. At the candle-lit dinner, former Mayor Lindsay presented Ms. Huxtable with New York's Diamond Jubilee Medalion.

AIA advises states on fee guides

Speaking recently in New York, AIA executive vice president William L. Sloyn said that AIA has advised components that fee schedules, although advisory only, may in fact be in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

Concurring with this, the New York Chapter has resolved that documents pertaining to compensation are to be rescinded, and should be destroyed.
President's budget calls for construction spending

Energy and economic factors were large controlling influences in the structuring of the fiscal 1975 budget presented to Congress last month.

In the section on natural resources and environment, for example, the program-by-function document tells of contract authority to states for waste treatment plant construction being raised by $1 billion to the $4 billion level next fiscal year. While this is not nearly as much as environmentalists want, the Administration notes that it is a one-third increase over the current year.

A steady increase in budget outlays for the community development and housing programs is indicated. The 1975 total is estimated at $5.7 billion, $200 million more than this fiscal year and the government expects to be spending at the $7.4 billion level on these activities in 1976. The White House is counting heavily on the enactment of its proposed Better Communities Act and has structured the budget to include $2.3 billion for this purpose in the year starting July 1. Most of the spending in the whole community development and housing budget projections will result from prior-year commitments.

National Park Service (Interior Department) would spend $14.9 million on preservation of historic properties and the budget includes $54 million in authority for construction of projects in 14 national parks.

Again the President proposes termination of medical facilities construction, contending that there is an aggregate oversupply of hospital beds. States the budget document: outlays for health facility construction would drop from $264 million to $216 million.

Planning's fiscal impact computerized

Marcou, O'Leary & Associates, (MOA), a local urban planning and development subsidiary of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, has devised an improved approach to predicting the public costs and revenues associated with urban planning.

Described as the Municipal Impact Evaluation System (MUNIES), the new tool was developed by MOA with technical assistance from the Westinghouse Research Laboratories.

"MUNIES is a computer-assisted system for evaluating the potential fiscal impact on local governments of proposed urban developments," said Dennis E. Gale, director of the program for MOA.

Mr. Gale said the new technique has considerable flexibility and several applications. The two most important are: 1) Individual projects such as residential subdivisions, planned unit developments and new communities can be evaluated in terms of expected demands for public services and their attendant costs; and they can be analyzed on the basis of projected revenue from taxes and other sources. 2) The estimated annual demand for services and amount of projected revenues from overall growth—for up to 20 years—can be calculated for an entire urban planning area, such as a municipality.

He said MUNIES is currently being used in a three-month test study of a medium-size Midwestern city.

BOCA fire code is performance type

The Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Chicago, says it will proceed with publication of the controversi BOCA 100 Standard for the Design and Installation of the Fire Suppression System for Life Safety. The document involves sprinkler system applications and follows a six month study of the pros and cons of fire suppression systems.

This is BOCA's first published standard and is likely to be a subject of opinion differences for a long period. It has been opposed strenuously by the National Fire Protection Association, which views it as a challenge to NFPA's 13 Sprinkler Standard. The BOCA publication is a performance standard which it claims provides designers more flexibility in planning adequate fire suppression systems. Some local codes are performance types.

Design revealed for Atlanta rapid transit system

The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) has selected an architectural design concept for the aerial structure to be used along some 16 miles of the city's 54-mile system.

The design is said to feature a "clean line" look to give the entire structure a minimum profile. Depending on location and land surface, the aerial structure will generally range between 10 and 30 feet high. Each individual tower by eight-foot column of the structure will be constructed of reinforced concrete. The columns will be placed approximately 70 feet apart, and girders of either pre-stressed concrete or steel will tie individual columns together. They will support the deck for the dual track rail line which will have a maintenance walk-way in the middle.

The aerial structure was designed by Aeck Associates and Parsons Brinckerhoff-Tudor-Bechtel. MARTA's general engineering consultants.

Donald C. McGraw dies at age 76

The RECORD notes with sadness the death of Donald C. McGraw, chairman of the executive committee of McGraw-Hill, who died February 7, at the age of 76.

The youngest son of the late James H. McGraw, founder of McGraw-Hill, Mr. McGraw led expansion of the company to include 60 business publications, among them ARCHITECTURAL RECORD.

During this period, McGraw-Hill also acquired financial and construction information services, including Standard & Poor's Corporation, and F. W. Dodge Company (now McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company).

Maryland governor seeks A/E controls

Governor Marvin Mandel of Maryland, in his state of the State message to the legislature, asked for new authority to compel state boards that license architects and engineers to adopt codes of professional conduct. He also seeks the power to compel these boards to revoke or suspend the license of architects and engineers violating the provisions.

The American Institute of Architects has a particular interest in the Maryland developments. In fact, AIA has decided to make the Maryland situation an object of thorough study to see if its eventual development and outcome could be used as an example.

Marcel Breuer debuts as exhibit designer for Whitney Museum

Marcel Breuer, whose Whitney Museum opened in New York in 1966, observed an opening at the site last month.

It was a new exhibition at the Whitney, one that marks Mr. Breuer's debut as an exhibition designer. "The Flowering of American Folk Art 1776-1876" is a collection of some 300 examples of paintings, sculpture, furniture, quilts, toys and other items of everyday use, created by the everyday folk during the first hundred years of American independence, a period not yet pressured by the industrial revolution.

Mr. Breuer's installation, according to one art critic, amplifies the visual rather than historic emphasis of the objects chosen by Jean Lipman and Alice Winchester. The result is "dramatic, high-spirited and illuminating. The visitor finds himself in a garden of visual wonders in which each item is a distinct esthetic experience," says Hilton Kramer of The New York Times.

The exhibit runs through March 24, and was made possible through a grant from Philip Morris Incorporated. It will subsequently be seen at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond, from April 22 through June 2; and at the M. H. de Young Memorial Museum in San Francisco, from June 24 through September 15.
In Greenville, South Carolina, there's a factory that makes gas turbines large enough to generate electricity for a city of 60,000 people.

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New plant demonstrates company's products

Trio Industries, a manufacturer of architectural metal building products, will contain its administrative, research and production facilities in this $2.15 million structure designed to use the technology which the company has developed, and provide a demonstration of the company's products. To complement the scale of the suburban site, a major portion of the building's eastern wall is depressed below grade, and the overall facility is oriented to take advantage of the south to north downward slope of the land. The semi-circular administration building is connected to the plant by a gallery and entrance sheathed in reflective glass. To achieve structural height economy, mechanical, electrical and process services are distributed through the voids of the open-web truss purlin network, using flexible down-feeders at required locations. Architects are Shreve, Lamb & Harmon Associates, with Robert W. Jones, partner in charge, and Evan L. Schwartz, project designer. Completion is planned for this spring.

A Canadian landmark to be retained amidst growth

A small scale renewal project—Peterborough Square in the heart of Peterborough, Ontario—shows care for a landmark clock tower and market hall which will be preserved as part of this nine-acre commercial and recreational development. The old building will provide space for boutiques, and be linked to nearby new office and hotel space by a two-level shopping mall, including a large department store. Interspersed in the design are parkland areas. Scheduled for completion in 1975, the project was designed by Crang & Boake.
City within a city

Seven different urban functions will be accommodated in this 52-story multi-use building under construction in New York. Designed by David Kenneth Specter, the building will include a garage, galleria retail space, sidewalk cafe, commercial office space, a private club, and 37 floors of residential space. Most extravagant of the apartments is the four-level, 16,000 square foot penthouse designed for millionaire Stewart Mott. Except for the master bedroom and Mr. Mott’s office, the top floor of the penthouse will be given over to sun decks, plantings and the pool. Below, the living room and library will have their own skylights, punctured by fireplace chimneys. The architect for the other apartments in the building is Philip Birnbaum. At sidewalk level, the building will have a through-block retail galleria, with a 100-foot high atrium. Glass-walled office space will overlook the atrium, and open bridges will connect various offices. Cost of the building will be more than $30 million.

Paris: the new left bank

Part of the Front de Seine project half-completed along the left bank of the Seine River in Paris is a 40-story office and studio tower (vertical finned structure, left center) proposed for France’s state broadcasting monopoly. If approved by the client, the design will rise ten stories above all other buildings in the project, which has a 30-story height restriction. A variance is anticipated. Paris architect Maurice Novarina designed the building with a concrete core supporting floors set on brackets. The building would rise from the pedestrian platform of the project.

A small municipal building for a city in Georgia

The City of Forest Park, Georgia wanted a municipal building that would be something other than a typical box. Working within a budget of $350,000 John J. Harte Associates designed a structure of 10,000 square feet, enclosed within an undulating wall of 1/2-inch exposed aggregate epoxy panels applied over steel studs. A special aspect is the octagonal council chamber framed by exposed steel trusses. Completion is planned for fall.
BUILDINGS IN THE NEWS

Cleveland's Terminal Tower center of proposed renewal project

U. S. Realty Investments of Cleveland has signed an agreement to purchase 33 acres behind Cleveland's Terminal Tower, paving the way for start of construction of the $350 million Tower City project planned by Dalton Dalton Little Newport. Groundbreaking is expected in early spring for twin office towers on foundations installed behind the present Tower in the late 1920's. A four-level shopping mall of more than 1 million square feet would run beneath Terminal Tower and the new buildings, including a 700- to 1000-room hotel overlooking the Cuyahoga River. Two apartment towers and a terraced apartment complex, transportation center, underground parking, restaurants and entertainment are also planned and construction is to cover a period of up to ten years.

Portugal's tallest

The tallest building in Portugal, a 30-story office tower with a two-story base of shops and service establishments, is proposed in a master plan completed by Emery Roth & Sons, in association with Multiplano of Lisbon. The building would be built in a 700,000-square foot urban renewal site on the banks of the Tejo River in Lisbon. The plan calls for more than 800,000 square feet of space, more than exists in any building in Portugal. The site is west of the Ponte Salazar, the longest suspension bridge in Europe. Besides office space, the building would provide 120,000 square feet for shops and underground parking for 700 cars.
After the flood, a city rebuilds

Two years ago this June, the city of Corning, New York was devastated by floods occurring in the wake of tropical storm Agnes. Turning the disaster into a unique opportunity to improve the area beyond pre-flood conditions, the city has completed long-range planning, and this year will open several major new buildings in what is to be a downtown Civic Center (top right). Among them are: the city hall (bottom rendering) and library (top rendering) by RTKL; a hotel (right middle) by Sasaki, Dawson & DeMay; a fire station (isometric below) by Gunnar Birkerts & Associates; and a union hall (second from bottom) by Joseph A. Connell. Also participating in design work for the city are: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Geddes, Brecher, Qualls & Cunningham; and Tasso Katselas. Concurrently, several other major planning projects include restoration and integration of the previous eight-block central business area which has been recommended for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Parks and open space restoration and development are included in the area's renaissance, along with new transportation proposals. Central to total redevelopment is a separate program, Federally-approved Project Agnes, in which relocation of more than 600 families and 30 businesses would be accomplished in a 500-acre area of the city. As part of this work, urban design input—aimed at major land use change—is being provided by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. Project Agnes involves residential development, and the total acquisition of large land areas where major reuse and development will occur.
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In addition to conserving energy, the system has eliminated the need for a boiler, operating engineer, and external heat supplies, such as steam, circulating hot water or electric space heaters. "The system has been so effective," says Harry S. Kent, principal mechanical engineer, "that annual energy consumption between 1969 and 1974 averaged 5 to 7 per cent less than the pre-occupancy projection of about 5,500,000 kwh annually. Energy consumption has not varied more than 2.5 per cent."

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Progress Report

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The Empire State Plaza consists of eight separate office buildings, a meeting center, and a combined library-museum clustered around a huge 5-story main platform. The platform itself, in addition to underground parking, a health laboratory, and other service facilities, also contains a large auditorium which can accommodate 2,800 persons for lectures or conventions, or 1,500 sit-down guests at a formal banquet. The giant complex is intended to provide modern, centrally located office space for a state work force of 11,000 to 12,000 people, many of whom are presently occupying various rented quarters in downtown Albany.

This large concentration of people in the enormous complex led to the decision to install a centralized waste collection and processing system. Otherwise, the Plaza might well have found itself buried under a daily anticipated accumulation of 50,000 lbs. of waste paper and trash (which is equivalent to the trash and solid wastes generated by a typical town of 5,000 people).

System Outline

The refuse handling system presently being installed by TRANS-VAC Systems includes approximately 6,000 ft. of large diameter conveying pipe and some 68 loading stations located in the various office buildings. Although all buildings in the complex will be connected to the waste disposal system, only the 44-story main office tower will have pressurized vertical chutes. Bulk loading stations are being installed in the four 23-story agency buildings and in the platform area, while a motorized cart system will pick up from the meeting center and shopping areas on the main platform. Six Montgomery shredders and four compactors will be employed to reduce the accumulated trash and process it for final disposal.

When fully operational, the entire waste disposal system will utilize electronic computerized control stations to provide proper sequencing and operation. Changes can be made in sequencing so that discharge is regulated from one building to another simply by changing panels in an electronic control station.

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News from the counterculture


Wasteland: Building the American Dream, was billed in advance as "the first and only book to translate effectively the insights of the counterculture into a critique of design as the product of social values." Such advance publicity is hard on any book, but particularly hard on this one because of its modest length, uneven quality, and quirky subject matter. I think I'd rather be Daniel entering the lions' den than a mouthpiece for the counterculture.

Kurtz is an essayist and critic whose writings on architecture and design have appeared in several journals and who has an extensive background in philosophy and firsthand experience with life among the countercultural. His close personal involvement with his subject matter makes Kurtz a zealous advocate who sees the counterculture as a revolutionary, radical, alternative lifestyle in possession of the only remaining viable morality. But the evidence provided by Kurtz's book ironically suggests that the counterculture and its insights are largely reactionary, thriving more on negative rhetoric and the well-articulated put-down than on proffering revolutionary living possibilities. In the specific field of architecture, the counterculture has focused interest on only two ideas of rather limited application—the "zome" and the handbuilt house. Meanwhile, Wasteland suggests that everything built within "the system" (which is to say, everything else) is at worst dangerous, and at best lacking in integrity.

The format of the book is a series of chapters—really quite separate essays—loosely threaded together by a concern for the possibilities of new relationships to the built environment arising out of alternative life styles. Some of the essays are cogent, serious, and obviously heartfelt critiques of the oppressive and destructive nature of built-America. Other essays are little more than mindless propaganda from Drop City. However, the intensive muckraking is omnipresent, piling up to the point where the reader feels inundated. Wasteland is essentially humane, but the humanity, the searching for a new consciousness and re-newed moral judgment of the environment are all but buried under the relentless invective.

The essays are divided into three groups: the highway, the suburbs and countryside, and the city, with a concluding section on the architectural profession. "The Art of the Road" shows the impossibility of separating "beautiful" forms like interstate highways from their social context (often the ghetto neighborhoods through which the highway slices and slices up). "Howard Johnson's: Elevating the Host" is a Woody Allenesque socioesthetic critique of the classic Hojo, suggesting that it is a paradigm of how America has eliminated place and occasion. "Levittown" is a psychological study of the suburban lifestyle and environment, using Gans' classic study as a basis for a new and even more scary interpretation. "Urban Housing" discusses how a group of tenants bought and co-opered their condemned building as an option to eviction. These four essays, each thoughtful and provocative, stand in considerable contrast to the others.

"Intentional Communities," discussing life at Libre, Colorado, suffers from being a rather self-satisfied piece about the option (open to a minute portion of the population) of handbuilding one's house among friends in a tiny community of staggeringly low density—thirty persons to four hundred acres. The essay includes, as a subplot, a morality play featuring the zome vs. the cubiform (with the zome winning), which reveals in Kurtz a curiously elitist viewpoint, and indeed suggests that he has seen very little architecture, or at least has not looked very hard at what he's seen. I don't know of a single zome that is as sensitive to the uses and arrangements of interior space, to the relationships with the larger environment, or to the psychological and territorial demands of the inhabitants as any number of "conventional" houses I could list; houses which for all their "convention" and "cubiformness" are more subtly and seriously radical than any zome with its intrinsic systematized formalism. But further, Kurtz advocates Steve Baer, inventor of the zome (actually a rip-off of the classic Bucky Fuller dome), who in turn suggests the best material for zomes is the hacked out top of a car, which is a curious material, since its continued availability is dependent on some poor bloke being forever chained to the assembly line in Detroit that makes the car that supplies the top for the house that Steve built. So much for alternative life styles for the masses.

"Downtown: Culture, Commerce, Government" rightly criticizes institutions for their monolithic size and bureaucracy, but sees the alternatives merely in terms of smaller size, with ad hoc, or nonexistent organizational structures, and heavy popular participation, all of which is hard to argue with, but equally hard to imagine producing much of more than common interest.

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In the end, it's hard to know just what Kurtz is providing the reader. His muckraging criticism is fascinating, but not persuasive; the how-to-do-it chapter on urban squatting is not really informative enough; for all the apparent specificity of each essay, the reader is left with little of lasting substance.

What the book does show, however, are the ways people react to a popular movement like the counterculture (or the current interest in para-psychology). For some, the counterculture has been an objective thing, like a bar of soap to be bought, a set of answers to be learned, a way to be absorbed; for these people (and for the architects among them) the new consciousness has meant little more than a move from one comment to another. For other people, the counterculture has been a genuinely cathartic device, a chance to renew, or modify, or change one's vision and commitment and relationship in a personal, subjective, and unique way, rather than by rote. It is the vacillation between these two poles in Mr. Kurtz's own personal struggles, and the seriousness and intelligence of that struggle that make this at least an interesting book to read.

—Richard Oliver

Mr. Oliver, an architect who works in New York, has taught in the architecture schools of the University of Texas and UCLA.

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Organization for professional business development


This book is not afraid to call business development by its right name, marketing—and marketing by its right name selling. It is full of practical information and is written in an eminently readable style that pulls no punches while it avoids the usual language of "courses in salesmanship." A sampling of Mr. Jones' broad knowledge has appeared in this department before and has found its way with appropriate amplification into his book. The January 1973 article on how to approach government agencies and the April 1973 article on the standard government form 251 are examples.

Mr. Jones spends appropriately brief pages on historical background and principles of marketing and comes quickly to Chapter 3 on "Getting Organized" followed by practical and well-researched sections on where to find prospects, promotional tools of the trade, presentation techniques and many other items in a well-indexed 16 chapters. One of the timely chapters is a candid one on political action which not only reports on some of the news in this field but puts serious analysis of lobbying and political contributions into perspective.

Following is a direct extract from introductory pages of Chapter 3 on getting organized. This material is backed up in the book by suggested forms for work sheets and prospect data files of various kinds.

Getting organized

"The odds are that the reader’s interest in the subject of business development is occasioned by one of the following three conditions:

1. Up to this point his firm has had no formalized approach to new client acquisition; perhaps he has become disenchanted with the results from chasing leads obtained from purely social contacts and he is looking for a business-like approach to getting business.
2. He has had a halfhearted, basically hit-and-miss business development program which intensifies with the completion of current work, but tends to slack off when his staff gets busy. The peaks and valleys caused by this on-again, off-again pursuit of clients distresses both his associates and his accountant, not to mention his creditors.
3. His firm has had a reasonably successful business development program over the years and has enjoyed a moderate-to-good annual growth rate as a result. However, he cannot shake the feeling that his present approach needs a long, hard look, probably some pruning and touching up, and possibly even a complete overhaul. He would like to know what other firms are doing in this field and is receptive to picking up suggestions for improving his own efforts.

Know your firm

"Whichever category a firm falls under at this particular time, there are a few initial steps indicated before any meaningful decisions can be made about the intensity and complexity of its new or revised business development program. These steps may be loosely classified as internal investigations, under the heading Know Your Firm.

1. Know your principals (partners and associates); your professional, technical and office staffs, and their present and potential capabilities and specialties. It goes almost without saying that you should be equally aware of their drawbacks and limitations.
2. Know your general practice mix and—of equal importance—what is missing from it.
3. Establish realistic profit goals and attainable growth rates for the foreseeable future.
5. Establish a desirable geographic coverage for your firm’s operations. If expansion is indicated determine the best method of achieving it, e.g., purchase of other established firms or setting up your own branch offices; going into a new area "cold" or waiting until you have a major job in the desired city, either on your own or with an associate.

"Only after a genuinely objective and introspective look has been taken at a firm as it now exists and operates, coupled with an analysis of its goals for ten, fifteen, even twenty-five years from now, is one ready to embark upon an aggressive, effective, and professional program of business development. The short-range scatter-shot, hit-or-miss approach to client development is not nearly so productive in the long run as the reasoned, planned, and organized attack.

"The principals may want to consider retaining an outside management consultant for all or part of this self investigation. Many professional firms do bring in outside consultants, with no particular relation to the design firm's size. The sad history of many such surveys is that the client heeds only what he believed or wanted to hear in the first place and ignores or denigrates the sections of the report which run counter to his preconceived ideas.

"No matter whether the decision is to establish one’s own investigative task force or hire a management consultant, the principals should be prepared to accept and act upon most, if not all, of the findings and recommendations for getting their own house and ideas in order.

Market research

"Other types of surveys may be helpful to future planning. Marketing studies, for example, can analyze client needs and thinking, quality, prospects, and measure the degree to which a firm is known by prospective clients and the general public. In mid-1971 a large Midwestern firm of architects, engineers, and planners commissioned a marketing survey by mail among past and present clients scattered across the United States. The sponsoring architectural firm was not identified and the questionnaires were returned unsigned by the respondents. Among the results turned up by the study were these:

1. About two-thirds of the respondents indicated their organizations would require design and planning services in the next twelve months. (A 49-percent response was obtained from some 500 questionnaires sent out.)
2. Respondents were asked to rate seven considerations for selecting an architectural firm. The order in which the seven factors finished is interesting in that it seems to explode a myth or two about how and why clients select their architects. The seven factors and their ranking:
   Total-service capability
   Engineering know-how
   Design creativity
   Past projects of the firm
   Post-construction follow-up
   Proximity of the firm to the project
   National prestige of the firm.
3. A question on client preference for the staff size of an architectural firm left the respondents almost evenly divided between "under 50," "51-99," "100 and over," and "No Answer." Each category accounted for approximately one-quarter of the replies.

"In a summary of their report, the market research firm that conducted the survey commented:

... the respondents provided what we believe are valuable guidelines for new business activity. The survey confirmed that your strengths are important to them and that your firm is better known than any other. It also provides a scale of importance that can be used to fine-tune marketing activities and to guide you in adopting a posture that might be varied to..."
fit the needs and desires of different prospects. One type of prospect, for instance, may prefer
one offering, another the other. And the larger size
of your firm is perhaps something to underplay
in some cases. In other words, the results of this
study may help you to ‘give them what
they want.’

"After all, research is a marketing tool
which should be used to supplement executive
judgement; it’s an advisory function that can
be instrumental in business success if the data
provided is useful to management.

The director of business development
“It is hoped that some of these studies and sur-
veys will turn up one or two individuals among
a firm’s principals with an organi-
zational bent. Regardless of how large or re-
stricted the client acquisition efforts will be,
one person must be assigned the primary re-
ponsibility for making it work. His job will be
to coordinate all efforts, make assignments of
principals and other staff where and when in-
dicated, review promotion materials and presen-
tations, maintain contact records, and fol-
low up on all prospects. There should be a
clear understanding with the rest of the staff
members about their continuing obligations in
obtaining new business, but every army re-
quires a commander if it is to accomplish its
mission.

“It is probable, except in the largest of
firms, that the person in charge of business de-
velopment will be able to devote only part of
his time to such efforts. For this and other obvi-
ous reasons it is vitally important that he be
backed up in his work by an above-average
secretary-assistant. Thoroughness, accuracy,
conscientiousness, awareness, imagination,
and alertness are some of the necessary attri-
butes of this assistant.

“A few of the larger practices have sepa-
rate departments for business development
headed by a vice president or similarly titled
executive. The staff, all full-time, of these
departments varies from one to a dozen or
more specialists.”

Recruiting and budgeting for sales
Mr. Jones offers many hard facts and figures
about the job descriptions and compensations
to be expected in manning a business develop-
ment department. One of the job descriptions
is in the form of an executive circular several
pages long describing more than a dozen qual-
ifications for the director of business develop-
ment. The list is a formidable array of talents,
and the starting salary was $28,000 plus an an-
nual bonus. It is pointed out that many salaries
for these positions in larger firms are from
$35,000 to $50,000, often related to perform-
ance of the marketing endeavor as reflected by
growth in billings. In the case cited, the execu-
tive’s first year’s compensations of about $32,-
000 represented less than four-tenths of one
per cent of his firm’s total billings of over $8
million for that period. The following section
on budgeting for marketing costs is typical of
factual guidance to be found in this book.

“Since promotion budgets of design pro-
essionals are seldom made public, one must
interpolate, interpret, and adapt to come up
with specifics on the subject. The American
Management Association says an average fig-
ure for sales or marketing expense is around 10
per cent, and includes the time of partners and
other principals spent on business activities.

“In one recent seminar on marketing pro-
essional services the participants said their
firms budgeted or spent on business develop-
ment amounts ranging from 10 to 20 per cent
of annual billings. The largest figure was for a
highly specialized consulting firm.

“As a base point for setting up a budget for
sales efforts, business development, promo-
tion—whatever the activity is called—a figure
of between 5 and 8 per cent of annual billings
has been suggested. On $1 million in pro-
ected billings for the year, a tentative budget
range might be $50,000 to $80,000.

“This is probably the most logical manner
in which to arrive at a budget for business de-
velopment. With the total amount in mind, the
number of man-hours it will pay for and make
available for new business efforts can be com-
puted easily.

“An alternate way is to decide in advance
which staff members are to be assigned to
business development, estimate the time each
may spend, multiply this by man-hour costs,
and thus arrive at the total figure. If the 5-to-8-
per cent guideline has been exceeded by this
method, a cutback may be in order.”

Planning for Growth
“As to the practice mix—the second con-
ideration in the internal investigation—it is
surely obvious that a firm makes more profit
from one $40 million project than it does from
twenty $2 million jobs, everything else being
equal.

“One firm’s principals decided that an
average of $.25 million in new work was re-
quired each week to maintain the rate of an-
nual growth established over the previous five
or six years. While all of the principals had
generally been aware of the fact that a certain
amount of new business was required each
year to fuel their fairly large firm, no one had
ever bothered to break it down to this precise
weekly need. The general state of shock in the
firm induced initially almost convinced the ac-
countant that his calculations—or at least the
announcement of them—had been a mistake.

“He was able to ease the blow somewhat
by pointing out that two or three $10 and $20
million jobs took care of a number of weeks,
but for some period following the disclosure of
the $.25 million weekly requirement the man-
aging partner was observed muttering ‘$.25
million a week!’ all the while shaking his head
as in utter disbelief. In spite of this one account-
ant’s experience, it is prudent and advisable
for firms to have a similar check run on their
own billings.

“The arithmetic is not involved. One
method of arriving at a weekly or yearly re-
quired input of new work may be to calculate
what the firm will actually be earning in the next
douze months, we determine that almost $.28
million in new billings, in addition to the assured
$800,000, will be needed next year to main-
tain the 15-per cent growth rate. Using an
average fee of 5 per cent, the $.28 million
translates into some $.55 million in new work
required to earn the necessary billings. This
can then be broken down into monthly or
weekly goals for the business development
office.”

In considering the importance of the prac-
tice mix of job variety in building types and
sizes, Mr. Jones points out that many firms who
are financially successful discover the balance
of their practices more or less after the fact.
One of the firms he talks about made an anal-
ysis showing that their jobs were about equally
divided between public and private projects
and that over 70 per cent of its work came from
past clients. While this did reflect favorable
client reaction, it also pointed out the fact that
failure to develop new clients could result in a
falling off of repeat business eventually.

One of the devices for developing busi-
ness in special lines of expertise, says Mr.
Jones, is to have staff experts publish articles or
books in the special area. This book is cer-
tainly an example of this method.

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Let's define construction management

George T. Heery, president of the Atlanta-based firm of Heery & Heery, has long been an articulate protagonist of time and cost control management in support of the architect's primary design role. His book, "Time, Cost and Architecture" is scheduled for publication by McGraw-Hill in November of this year. The following definition by George Heery is not so much a direct quotation from the book as it is a commentary on the recognized need for understanding at this time.

The term construction management may be following in the footsteps of too many other perfectly good terms toward ambiguity and misunderstanding. For one thing, there are many different ideas, some in conflict with others, as to what construction management is. A major reason for this myriad of definitions is this: Many people who think of "Construction Management" are really thinking only of one small sector of the broad field.

So to start off right, let's begin by defining the whole of Construction Management:

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT is that group of management activities over and above normal architectural and engineering services related to a construction program, carried out during the pre-design, design, and construction phases, that contributes to the control of time and cost in the construction of a new facility.

The professional construction manager, then, is the individual or firm who ties himself to an owner in a professional arrangement and applies the proper combination of management activities to a construction project to achieve time and control.

As a practical matter, professional construction management services do not include the direction of work within a contract or subcontract, but are concerned with the planning for and manipulation of those contracts. If the construction management plan for a given project involves a series of eight separate contracts awarded in phases, it is neither the responsibility, nor the proper function of the construction manager to undertake the contractual responsibilities of supervision, direction, and coordination of any of the work within any one of the eight contracts. This is an area of confusion among some who have not done their homework on the emerging professional service of construction management.

There is a school of thought, which is quite common today, that construction management is limited to the process in which the general contractor is eliminated and the construction manager administers a series of separate contracts under a professional fee arrangement with an owner. Of course, this arrangement has become common and can certainly work well in some situations. But it ignores, or at least minimizes attention to the fundamental fact that the greatest savings in time and cost in a construction program can be achieved during the design phase. It is during the design phase that the quantity and quality of the building are established, the systems which will affect construction procedures are selected, the start time for construction is determined. These activities almost invariably have more control over time and cost than management activities not instigated until during construction.

Another school of thought says the construction management means phasing of design and construction, overlapping the two functions to shorten total time. This "fast track" system has also been shown to work. But in many situations it has distinct shortcomings including the fact that the owner cannot be assured of a final construction cost on a completed set of documents; that is, he can't be certain just what he is going to get for his money, or for that matter, how much he will be required to spend.

Are these two approaches really Construction Management as identified by the term? Certainly they can be a part of it. But each approach is only one of many ways in which a project can be accomplished, and at best, each offers only part of the control construction managers should be attempting to provide.

In order to be most effective, the construction manager should always be involved before or during the design phase to assure that the emerging design can be constructed within the budgeted time and cost. The CM will provide pre-design programming and budgeting, cost analysis and value engineering, scheduling, along with guidance on materials and construction methods, and make recommendations regarding the way in which the construction contract package should be arranged, and should generally determine the plan of construction. He will manage bidding and negotiations, and handle contract awards.

Although there are any number of possible construction management plans for the construction phase, most will fall into one of four basic formats:

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pany the use of this catchy jargon.) Under this format, the separate prime contracts might include the major parts of the project such as mechanical work, electrical work, structural work, systems components, special equipment, site work, and general construction.

There is a variation to this format which is often found useful. The owner and construction manager may determine that the majority of the construction work should be included in a single, "general" contract, but that one or more later separate contracts should be awarded for items such as carpeting, food service equipment, laboratory equipment, graphics and signing, or landscaping. Usually this plan is best during projects with long construction times which dictate that the items mentioned cannot be realistically priced during the general contract bidding period (due to their purchase and installation occurring late in the construction period).

4. **Direct management of separate trade contracts and field crews.** A separate trade contract is a contract for a portion as large as the major parts of the project such as the construction manager is to control time and cost in the construction of the project may be obtained in ways other than a single-responsibility construction contract or multiple contracts. Once again: **CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT IS that group of management activities over and above normal architectural and engineering services related to a construction program, carried out during the pre-design, design, and construction phases, that contributes to the control of time and cost in the construction of a new facility.**

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Costs of indoor tennis courts

Indoor tennis courts, seem to be experiencing the same boom that hit the bowling alley business in the fifties. The typical tennis court contains between three and six courts. As an added inducement there is usually a pro shop, sauna and massage room and a shower and lounge. There is often separate space for a tennis pro who also serves as manager.

The tennis courts are constructed on an asphalt base, typically six inches thick, which costs from $3.00 to $6.00 a square yard depending upon soil conditions. A playing surface is applied to the asphalt which is either an acrylic paint, an emulsified product or a urethane or neoprene material placed on an epoxy bed. The cheapest and least durable surface is the acrylic paint finish which costs approximately 40¢ per sq ft to apply, followed by the emulsified surface which costs about 65¢ per sq ft then the urethane, neoprene surfaces which range in price from $1.50 to $2.20 per sq ft and are by far the most popular playing surface for the indoor courts.

Generally, indoor tennis courts range in size from 20 to 30,000 square feet. Pre-engineered steel buildings are the most economical to construct and seem to have a wide acceptance in this field. Costs of the finished structure range from $9.50 to $23.00 per sq ft depending upon the quality of the interior finish and the supplemental facilities.

John H. Farley, senior editor
Dodge Building Cost Services

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Cost differentials compare current local costs, not indexes.

Costs in a given city for a certain period may be compared with costs in another period by dividing one index into the other; if the index for a city for one period (200.0) divided by the index for a second period (150.0) equals 133%, the costs in the other period are 33% higher than the costs in the other. Also, second period costs are 25% greater in those first periods (150.0 = 200.0 = 75%) or they are 25% lower in the second period.

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The February article on this “Building Activity” page charted the behavior of construction markets in the nation during 1973. We saw that sharp gains in nonresidential and nonbuilding contracts more than compensated for a sagging housing market, to push the nation’s construction industry to its third consecutive yearly gain of 10 per cent or more. This month, we are focusing on the major regions of the country, to see whether they conformed last year to the national patterns of activity, or marched off in other directions.

Sorting out the data for strengths and weaknesses, we find that two regions, the South and Midwest, bettered the national trend by surging ahead more than 10 per cent. But, it was the Midwest, with all three major construction categories gaining 10 per cent or better, that turned in the best all-round record.

The strong pace of general economic growth throughout 1973 kept industrial and commercial contracting in the region moving along at a rapid rate. It was a prime reason why total nonresidential building, ahead by nearly 20 per cent, was the strongest category in the Midwest. But, nonresidential building was not the real key to the region’s strong overall performance. This category posted even higher gains in both the South and West. The resilience of the Midwestern housing market was the prime factor behind 1973’s strength.

Residential building in the nation officially peaked in 1973’s first quarter, tracing a general downward pattern throughout the remainder of the year. But that pattern was followed faithfully in only two regions—the Northeast and South. The West actually stayed strong in the region once we look at the store component of investment. This plus the housing decline, which was not until the closing months of 1973 that occurred, meant that the West was able to get by with a 10 per cent contracting gain, while both the Northeast and West dropped below 1972 levels, and the South managed a slight four per cent gain.

It’s really not surprising that housing stayed strong in the region once we look at the economics of the situation. The heavily industrialized Midwest always tends to fare better than the rest during a period of strong economic growth like 1973. The major economic measure of “prosperity to the people”—personal income—recorded the sharpest increase in the Midwest last year, giving the region’s residents the means to purchase more in the way of goods and services. And the demand for new housing was there as well. While not the lowest in the nation, Midwestern vacancy rates for both single- and multi-family dwellings moved consistently downward through most of 1973. In addition, Midwestern savings and loan associations experienced a proportionally greater rate of savings inflows than the national average. And effective mortgage terms stayed below the national average for most of the year.

At the other end of the spectrum, the Northeast squeezed out a slim three per cent contracting gain in 1973—a gain that was solely dependent on the strong performance of nonbuilding, or heavy engineering work. Huge gains in highway contracting, sewer and water facilities and utilities kept the region’s construction market buoyant last year while the building categories were hard pressed to stay even with 1972 levels.

The region’s housing market followed the national pattern, and for most of the same reasons—scarce credit, localized overbuilding, and the housing subsidy freeze. Conversely, nonresidential building in the Northeast deviated sharply from the pattern of activity in the rest of the regions. It just managed to stay abreast of 1972, while gains averaging close to 25 per cent prevailed in the other regions.

Breaking the data down, the region’s nonresidential building market had two significant areas of weakness. The store component of industrial and commercial building, a high flyer in the Northeast over the recent past, ended the year 4 per cent below 1972 levels. In contrast, store building gains in the other regions averaged close to 30 per cent. Growth in personal income lagged behind the other regions last year, trimming retail sales below expectations. This plus the housing decline, which generally leads store building, account for most of the weakness.

The other major trouble spot in the region last year was the hospital and health facility contracting. The Northeast has become more heavily dependent on Federal funds for the rehabilitation and expansion of older general hospitals in the core areas of its major cities in recent years. Its hospital construction program was hampered by the on-again-off-again status of the Federal Hill-Burton hospital construction program, which interfered with the flow of funds. This was reinforced by the generally tight credit situation that prevailed throughout last year’s second half.

A summary of the regional trends is outlined in the table above.

In total, at least, every construction category recorded a gain in contracting activity last year. Our 1974 construction outlook (an update of which will be featured next month) calls for little or no change in the 1974 total of contracting over 1973. For the regions, comparisons will be made not so much on the basis of who gained more than whom—rather, they will hinge on who managed to edge above 1973’s performance, and who fell below it. There’s little doubt that housing will be down in every region this year. The region that manages to beat the national average will be the one that normally constructs a lot of industrial plants, electrical generating plants, sewer and water facilities and other heavy engineering works. Don’t be surprised if the Midwest has a slight edge again.

James E. Carlson, Manager, Economic Research
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Steel and nature blend at Wellesley Office Park

Aesthetics, environmental concern, construction speed, and economy were key factors influencing the design of this 140,000 sq ft building in Wellesley, Massachusetts.

Known as Wellesley Office Park's Building 5, this four-level "Weathering Steel" project is the fifth and largest office building to be constructed on the 25-acre, woodland site. A sixth and slightly larger structure is in the planning stages.

The project was designed by Pietro Belluchsi and Jung/Brannen Associates, Inc. of Boston, Architects in joint venture. The two firms also designed Building 4, which won a 1970 Architectural Award of Excellence from the American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC).

According to Mr. Robert Brannen, "Great effort was made to retain the park-like setting of the site. We turned to a Weathering Steel exterior, since its matured, natural earthy brown color would blend with the landscape.

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The 4-level structure is owned by Wellesley Office Park Associates, a joint venture of Beacon Construction Company and State Mutual Life Assurance Company of America. Architects are Pietro Belluchi and Jung/Brannen Associates, Inc., in joint venture. Weidlinger Associates is the structural engineer. Babcock-Davis Associates, Inc. fabricated and erected the Mayaric R Weathering Steel exterior. The structural steel frame was fabricated and erected by Thames Valley Steel Company. Beacon Construction Co., Inc. is the general contractor. Bethlehem furnished all of the ASTM A36 structural shapes and Mayaric R Weathering Steel plate for the project.
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I mean you can't sell anything too extreme, right? Or too contemporary? Everyone knows that. Every developer also knows that anything new—like terrace housing or irregular forms (see photo)—is too expensive to build.

Well, a lot of European architects designing for-sale and for-rent housing—for families of all sizes and all incomes—don't seem to know any such things. And they seem to find sponsors and lenders who don't know any such things either.

As I wrote in an earlier editorial (RECORD, August 1973) I had an opportunity not long ago to tour a variety of housing projects in Germany and France. The tour—sponsored by TICOR, Owens-Corning Fiberglas, PPG Industries, Westinghouse, and Arthur Goldman & Associates, a consulting firm—gave our group of builders, lenders, developers, planners, and architects a lot of fresh insights. Some were impressed by the commitment of the governments (and the labor unions, who invest heavily in low- and middle-income housing) to build housing. Some were impressed by the land-use planning and control. We saw a great deal of housing which, in varying degrees, impressed us a great deal or which we didn't like at all.

But the thing that impressed me most was the variety. We saw all kinds of housing—from high-rises that would look perfectly normal on the fringes of any U.S. city to some work that by any measure would be called extreme. The point is the variety—a buyer or renter in the cities we visited has, it seems to me, far more options in his style and way of living than we offer.

The projects shown on the next 13 pages were chosen, of course, to make my point. I make no pretense that they are typical. If some are expensive, they are not outside the framework of costs common in this country—and some are very inexpensive. None involve any gee-whiz European industrialized technology; but some are developed under "social housing" schemes that help a great deal with the financing. The rooms are smaller than U.S. standard and some of the densities are extraordinary—but, again, the European architects and developers seem to be willing to explore variations from the norm—and the people who live there have clearly accepted compromises in one direction for advantages in another. Different people, different housing, different life styles.

Perhaps, in different places around this broad country, there are places for the same kind of experimentation—for more options?—Walter F. Wagner Jr.
Some of the housing in Europe is thoroughly contemporary, but fits the vernacular of its traditional setting.
La Colle-sur-Loup

... is one of 50 “family vacation villages” built for low- and moderate-income families in all areas of France—some in farmland, some in the mountains where they are heavily used by skiers, and some near the sea. La Colle-sur-Loup is near St.-Paul-de-Vence, 14 miles from Cannes, about six miles from the beach via shuttle bus.

This project, designed by architects Michel and Nichole Autheman, is not as daring in design as some of those on the following pages, but it is strikingly handsome in form and plan and finish of both buildings and plantings—and closely related despite its clearly contemporary spirit to the architecture of the region.

La Colle-sur-Loup has 1600 beds in 119 freestanding houses without kitchens, 98 with; 72 apartments in six buildings, and two small "hotel" units of 17 and 30 units. The buildings, from one to three stories, are sited over a 60-acre rolling site (plan above). The core of the project is a handsome plaza (photos opposite and right) with places for sitting in sun and shade and quiet games, and set off by its own Calder. Ringing the plaza are the reception building, the restaurant, a day-care center, and both enclosed and open-walled recreation rooms adjacent to a heated swimming pool. Tennis courts and riding stables are within walking distance of the center.

The bungalows are sited in a relaxed manner through the site—some in quite dense patterns (photos right and below) near the plaza; others a longer walk into the wooded site.

The project was built by SCIC (Société Centrale Immobilière de la Caisse des Dépôts) under a unique financing scheme. Fifty per cent of the cost (about $3000 per bed) was financed with low interest loans from the French government; 25 per cent by low interest loans from the central bank of which SCIC is a building subsidiary, and 25 per cent by loans from French companies and industries which, by helping to capitalize these villages, assure their workers a certain number of guaranteed reservations through the year—a unique employee benefit. With this building subsidy (but no operating subsidy), rents—including all recreation facilities—are held to $8 or $9 per person in season, $6 off season with restaurant meals; less than $2 per person without meals. Off-season visitors are mostly retirees who can stay up to three months.
In the U.S., terrace housing gets only as far as preliminary drawings—in Europe, it gets built.

Wohnanlage Tapachstrasse

...in Stuttgart comes close to what still seems an American dream—housing with terraced apartments open to the sun, with gardens of flowers and greenery trailing over to the terrace below. It works beautifully—the relatively small apartments (a two-bedroom unit in this building has 810 square feet of enclosed space) are opened dramatically by the 225-square-foot terrace; and because of the slope the terraces have complete privacy—you cannot look into the terrace below without unseemly gymnastics.

The "underside" of the building (photos below) was not yet completed when the photos were taken. But near the base of the building, where these undercover terraces are deep, the space is used for parking. Mid-height terraces are broad enough for play areas, though, of course, they are shady much of the day. The narrower spaces near the top of the building are used merely as outside corridors.

The building—partly pre-cast, partly poured-in-place—is given color by the plantings and bright sunshades and umbrellas.

There are 80 units in the six-story building, which overlooks 19 units of single-story, one-family housing with private gardens at its base. There are two-, three-, and (in duplex units at the top of the building) four-bedroom units, with 1,243 square feet of enclosed space and 356 square feet of terrace.

Rents range from $213 to $324, but most of the residents of this project are government workers, whose rent is subsidized 40 per cent.

The terrace building has a total of 76,245 square feet of enclosed space with 17,324 square feet of terraces; cost $2,100,000 three years ago. Architects are Peter Faller and Helmut Schröder.
Neugereut

... is another terrace housing project by Faller and Schröder in Stuttgart, and it has attracted young families. There are 112 units in the four-story buildings shown below. The section shows the parking below grade, large first floor apartments with on-grade gardens in front, smaller apartments with terraces above, and duplexes with terrace on top. Most interesting in this project is the transition from public space to private—at the right in the section is a broad pedestrian mall leading through the project and connecting with the 580-unit high-rise in the background. Up a few steps is a narrower walk which is used primarily by the residents. Beyond that—and well fenced—are the gardens with the terrace gardens above.

As in most European housing, the units are small in area—but here the gardens, terraces, and bright colors create a forceful and festive environment.
Student housing

... at the University of Munich takes yet another form of terrace design. Assembled from precast wall, floor, and planter units (which act as interlocks in the system), this “apartment hill” complex has a direct structural pattern which reads clearly from the outside (see top photo, for example). As seen from the street, the project has an incredible quality of abstract sculpture. Well-established planting softens the hard edges, and lends color to the stark whiteness; and—in a rolling green meadow setting—the effect is stunning. Again the terraces formed by stepping back to smaller units creates handsome and usable outdoor spaces opening to the apartment interiors through walls of sliding glass.

A children’s playground at the rear of the project echoes—in simple wooden shapes—the same sculptural quality as the building.

This housing, designed by architect Ebert, was donated to the University for use of Fulbright Scholars by Volkswagen.
The Olympic Village

... in Munich is a unique grouping of terrace housing—surely the most extensive and most urban, and perhaps the most exciting anywhere. To many, it is too dense, "too cold"—and the units have not sold well since the Olympics; but it is an extraordinary experience to walk the handsome planted pedestrian ways between the buildings, under a trellis of brightly painted service lines (photos below left) that double as directional signing throughout the project. There are extra surprises for pe-

destrians—bright and abstract fountains (bottom photos) are everywhere.

The units shown here are what were the male athletes' quarters, now available as luxury housing to Münchner. The women's quarters (not shown) were low-rise projects built at the base of this high-rise work, now used for student housing.

As the section above and the photos show, each apartment in the terraced high-rises has an outdoor space open to the sky and sun (all buildings face south)—and privacy is assured by deep planting troughs. Since the north faces of the buildings are essentially vertical, the apartments are obviously bigger on the lower floors, and this space is used for extra bedrooms. Some of the narrower spaces on top are combined into duplexes.

There are 2000 units, with eight plan variants, in this terrace housing, designed by Heine, Wischer & Partner. The Village also includes 500 units in conventional high-rise (which includes three floors of hotel rooms), 1800 units of student housing—all on about 100 acres. At the core, there is a non-denominational church, the village center and shopping area, schools, and office space. A subway will soon whisk residents to downtown in about ten minutes. The views, of course, are to the athletic area, which today provides residents with, needless to say, extraordinary recreational facilities.
On the Riviera, the answer to the question "why?" is sometimes just "why not?"

Marina Baie des Anges

... is surely not everyone's cup of tea. But this immensely strong composition—like the totally different confection opposite—makes the point again: we see here a design variety and choice of ways of living that simply does not exist in the United States. Some might see these sinuous hills of concrete as appropriate only to Miami Beach, or, say, the Riviera; but for any warm place it is a functional design and the "side of the hill" apartments—with 33- by 48-foot terraces—offer a kind of outdoor living that is perhaps unique.

The buildings—two are now complete of a projected four—are only one apartment deep, assuring cross ventilation and views not just of the sea but of the hills behind the site from the rooms, from the balconies, and from the outdoor corridors. Within the complex, architect André Minangoy has provided two-, three- and four-bedroom units. Apartments are separated by 12-inch-thick walls, and floors are a sandwich of 10-inch concrete with 6 inches of sand, felt and tile flooring creating complete sound-proofing.

Finishes are superb: for example, the bedrooms are carpeted, but staircases, landings, and outdoor corridors, as well as halls and living rooms have travertine floors. Ah, why not?
Cité Marine de Port La Galère

... is surely another "why not." To some it seems whimsical. It is certainly not economical. But, clinging to the side of a cliff overlooking the Mediterranean near Cannes, Port La Galère seems almost alive. And that was clearly just the purpose of architect Jacques Couelle. The site plan suggests a scheme less complex than the reality—while the houses do indeed sit in narrow clusters along the serpentine road, the photos better explain the character of the place—houses of infinitely varied shapes and fanciful form and handcrafted decoration—cement hand troweled onto carefully laid block walls. The units are separated by seemingly random but carefully planned gardens and paths and changing views of the rocks and sea beyond. The houses, which all have terraces with 180-degree views of the water, vary from one to three stories, two to six rooms, 700 to 2000 square feet. In total, 400 houses cling to the 60-acre site. A central clubhouse offers a restaurant, library, discotheque, and swimming pool; and the winding road leads at its base to a 180-slip marina. Off the quay of the marina are a small number of shops and boutiques, another restaurant, and—mandatory for any French Mediterranean harbor—a bistrot. Ah . . . why not?
Now that Saint-Tropez is too crowded, the French are calmly building to meet the market for the picturesque
Port Grimaud

... is in fact only five miles from the old town (color photo below), and even though the project is still under construction—about 1,000 of an ultimate 1700 houses are completed and sold—it already has an extraordinary character of its own. The project began with the dredging of a swamp at the base of the Golfe de Saint Tropez in 1966—and yet the village already looks as if it had been there forever.

And that is exactly what architect François Spoerry had in mind from the start, and he wields an iron design hand in accomplishing it. The dredging created fingers of land, now lined on both sides with houses separated only by narrow, meandering ways with cobbledstone paving, planting and gardens. These are primarily pedestrian ways because the residents, by a kind of mutual understanding, drive their cars to their houses only when they have a heavy load of vacation equipment, or a week's load of groceries.

The alternate they use is a small ferry which leaves the parking area on the land side of the project and meanders through the waterways which serve every house.

On the lagoon side, every house has a small garden behind the sea wall; and boats up to ocean racing size can use the whole lagoon.

The construction of the houses is quite mechanized; giant cranes swing concrete roof sections and floor planks into space. There are eight plan options—two- and three-story. But beyond those disciplines, architect Spoerry's personal and total control creates the "old world" ambience that is Port Grimaud. He insists on control of the massing of adjacent units; and works with the client in the development of the facades and choice of materials and color. Cement blocks are painted in appealing combinations of color; bricks are used, varied wooden balconies and terrace sun shades help create a random, hand-crafted character which is, of course, very controlled.

Inside, the rooms are smaller than American standard, but again, the spaces—finished in stuccos and brick and handmade tile and hand-hewn wood—seem appropriate to the place.

The best piece of land in the lagoon was used for the community center and for a handsome church. "When the church was finished," says Spoerry, "Port Grimaud became a real village."
Marines de Cogolin

...is a second new neighbor of Saint-Tropez on the gulf—with a very different character, but as strong a character as Port Grimaud. It too is a yachting-oriented community, built around a series of basins which open to a protected harbor and in turn to the sea.

The housing (see photo right and section) is separated from the basins by a broad quay, which in season will have the bustle and color one associates with seaports anywhere along the Mediterranean. Opening to this broad public way are the commercial spaces—post office, a bank, restaurants, clothing and furniture shops, a movie house, and everyday stores. Broad stairs lead up from this public level to narrow pedestrian ways which work like double-loaded corridors—with some houses on the water side that are reached through walled gardens, other houses (below) which reach up for the view and are entered by curving stairs. From this second-level promenade, residents are offered occasional surprise views of the harbor and mountains beyond (photo, below right).

With this ingenious and compact multi-level scheme, architect Jean Dimitrijovic is managing to fit 1000 units and “maisonettes” around the harbor—a dense and urban solution which is nonetheless festive and fun. The design is contemporary—yet the softness of the edges (stucco over concrete block) and the handsome roof tiles and the color and the spare but effective planting make Marines de Cogolin a comfortable, familiar place.

The units are small—most are under 1000 square feet—appropriate to their mostly vacation-house use. Interior finishes are stucco with traditional tile floors, beamed ceilings, and arched windows—but set back into the broad terraces and decks are thoroughly contemporary walls of sliding glass that open to the breeze and views. Prices vary widely, but $40,000 might be average, including a mooring along the quay or one of the many finger piers extending into the harbor. Automobiles are confined to parking spaces away from the houses and the water—and the residents seem not only to accept this “inconvenience”—but to point it out as a benefit.
Cap-d'Agde

... is a new community being built along the seacoast near Montpelier. Begun in 1969, it now has 1200 units, mostly in the dense complex shown here along the harbor. Eventually, 60,000 people will live on the 1500-acre site—some in high-rises on the hills behind the harbor.

This is a much lower-priced area than the Saint-Tropez complexes on the previous pages—two-bedroom apartments, again with much smaller rooms than would suit the American market, are in the $15,000 to $20,000 range. Construction is stucco over block, with some use made of precast units in floor decks and walls.

The broad quay opens along its length to plazas (below) where a variety of stores, shops and restaurants are located. Despite the relatively lower cost, a group of 12 architects under the direction of architect Jean Le Courtier is creating a most handsome and carefully planned city—the scale, whether from the water side or in the narrow pedestrian streets (above), is most pleasant. And great attention has been paid to detailing—to the choice of colors, the patterns of paving underfoot, outdoor lighting, and the spare but effective use of wood in doors and window frames and trim.

So—a third new Saint-Tropez; a third design option and the most contemporary.

Which, with the other projects shown on these pages, made me wonder why the French and Germans seem to be able to offer their renters and homebuyers—from hourly paid workers to the very well-to-do—more design options; to be able to build complexes that we would think “too expensive to build.” They offer, to my mind at least, some very pleasant alternates in the way of living. Ah, why oh why can’t we?

—W.W.
High-density design for undergraduate science at land-starved Harvard

Back in April 1959, the Harvard Alumni Bulletin accused the University and the City of Cambridge of being slow in solving their problems because of their reluctance to accept their urban status.

Harvard thinks of itself as a residential college, much more like Princeton and Dartmouth than Columbia and Chicago. It is understandable, but it just isn't so. Harvard University is an urban university, sitting right in the middle of a busy metropolis. On the other hand, many Cambridge citizens do not think of Cambridge as a city. For them it is much more like Princeton or Williamstown than it is like New Haven or Morningside Heights. This is understandable, but it just isn't so. Cambridge is a functional part of metropolitan Boston. . . .

Fortunately, at that time this criticism was made it was no longer valid—if it ever had been. In 1960 the Harvard University Planning Office brought forth an inventory for planning which for the first time defined the future growth of Harvard in a city and regional context, in what was to become the language of urban design. It called for the intensive use—in terms of building volume and density—of Harvard's available land and at the same time urged the continuation and strengthening of the university's open space network of quadrangles and pedestrian paths and their linkage with the open space systems of Cambridge and Boston. Jose Luis Sert was then Dean of the Faculty of the Graduate School of Design, Professor of Architecture and consultant to the planning office. He was soon to begin to design a series of major buildings for Harvard (page 118) which were to be shaped by the planning criteria of the 1960 report. The Undergraduate Science Center by Sert, Jackson and Associates is the latest of these and it is as stern and tough-minded as its predecessors. Again the consistent Sert has worked rigorously with the ideas which interest him most. Once more he has seized the opportunity to transform a portion of the Harvard campus into his vision of what the modern city should be.

—Mildred F. Schmertz
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"An urban campus is a cultural center within a city, and should set an example of good planning and good design for the city. It is, in a way, a micro-city, and its urbanity is the expression of a better, more civilized way of life."
—Jose Luis Sert

The challenge of size and complexity
Harvard's new $15.06 million Undergraduate Science Center, which has been combined with a $5.3 million chilled water plant, is a mammoth addition to the Harvard campus. As the plot plan (below) indicates, it completely fills a full city block to the north of Harvard Yard. This plot of land now holds 291,000 square feet of facilities for chemistry, biology and geology, physics, mathematics, statistics and astronomy, as well as four large lecture theaters, a cafe, three libraries and administrative offices. The chilled water plant which serves nearby and projected campus buildings occupies another 58,000 square feet. This combined laboratory, library, classroom-administrative structure and power plant, in its density of use and complexity of function, is indeed a micro-city rather than a building. Its inner network and the massing of its elements relate to Harvard's circulation system and the scale and massing of the buildings in the Yard. By extension the design of the Science Center is an integral part of the City of Cambridge and its surrounding region.

Extending and improving the site
The Harvard University Planning Office, prior to the construction of the Science Center, recommended that the University in agreement with the City of Cambridge turn a portion of Cambridge Street into a vehicular underpass with a park on top. Additional land for building was acquired by eliminating the intersection of Kirkland Street and Cambridge Street (see site plan right). Even more importantly, by paying
The Science Center consists of five basic elements: the laboratory wing at the rear of the site; the six-tiered classroom wing for the mathematics department; the three-story library and the one-story administration wing. Lower elements face Harvard Yard across a new park created by depressing Cambridge Street (see site plan opposite). The steel and cable space frame supports the roof of the fan-shaped lecture hall.
to sink the road. Harvard created a pedestrian connection linking the northern campus to Harvard Yard. This connection can be seen in the photo (page 112), taken through one of the gates from the Yard. As the Harvard campus plan (page 111) indicates, this little park extends the network of pedestrian paths, quadrangles and well-scaled open spaces northwest from the Harvard Business School, across the Charles River, through Holyoke Center and the Yard to the principal entrance of the Science Center.

Reinforcing the circulation pattern and humanizing the scale
Sert has often pointed out that in all human settlements, the patterns of circulation are the most ancient. Buildings disappear or their uses change with the passage of time. A network of trails, however, may become a pattern of streets within an overlay of boulevards—all developed from increasing intensity of use rather than change of function.

Since in Sert's hierarchy of architectural values circulation comes first, it should surprise no one that the Science Center is organized about two skylit interior passages (see cover) at right angles to each other, one heading northwest and the other northeast to eventually link up with existing or projected pedestrian networks—green fingers which will extend as far as the Harvard Observatory in one direction and the Divinity School in another.

Having created this T-shaped pedestrian spine as the basic given, Sert and his team began to organize the elements called for by the program. He was undaunted by the University's request that he find a way to tuck in the chilled water plant since he enjoys resolving intricate spatial and functional puzzles. For him the most important problem was posed by the fact that volumetrically the building would be a monster. How could it be sized and massed so as not to overpower the buildings of the Yard, or the people who use them?

The architects elected to keep the massing as low as possible on the side of the building which faces the Yard and the new little park. The lecture hall element was designed as a pivot to turn the corner of the site as the orientation of the Cambridge Street geometry changes. To give it as little apparent bulk as possible, much of its volume is below ground and its roof is hung from an exposed space frame made of weathering steel and marine cables. The classroom wing for the mathematics department steps down in a series of terraces which end one story above the roof of the three-story library. The latter element has been scaled to harmonize with the Yard buildings directly across the park. The laboratory wing with its penthouse cooling towers and exhaust ducts has the most combined height and bulk and is therefore set farthest back. Within the complex is a small courtyard, one side of which is contained by the low administrative wing. The lower elements of the Science Center give the little park a definite edge. In combination with the adjacent Harvard buildings, they transform the park into a new quadrangle rather than an amorphous open space.
Devising a precast system for fast assembly

Sert has long been interested in rapid assembly methods and, in the case of the Science Center, this interest coincided with the desire of the University to move ahead quickly. Since the structural system and construction process for this building has already been described in some detail (RECORD, February 1972), it will be discussed only briefly here. The laboratory wing is a totally precast system with 3-foot, 8-inch deep, 60-foot long reinforced concrete girders—perforated for utilities—spanning between “ladder” columns on one side of the building and post-tensioned, U-shaped concrete shafts on the other. The girders which cantilever 7 feet over the single corridor, are used in pairs (7 feet apart) on 24-foot centers. For economic reasons, all the girders were made the same and therefore each has the maximum number of penetrations which could be permitted structurally, although many are not utilized.

The three-story-high ladder columns have haunches at each floor to carry the perforated girders. The wind loads on the laboratory wing are taken entirely by the post-tensioned concrete shafts and no rigid frame action has been employed.

The Science Center laboratory wing has 15 mechanical shafts, 24 feet apart, with 6- by 8-foot interior dimensions, running from the basement to the mechanical floor. Mainly they are used for ducts for fume hood exhaust, but they also carry plumbing and electrical risers.

The structure for the 60- by 400-foot laboratory wing was erected in seven months, due mainly to the choice of the precast framing system. Precast concrete was used everywhere except in the lecture hall wing which is framed in steel, and the special basins and supporting structures for the rooftop cooling towers which are poured-in-place concrete.

Throughout the entire complex, structural concrete members are exposed on exterior walls. Infill panels are of precast concrete with an exposed local aggregate of purplish hue which is normally used only in foundation concrete. Both grey and clear glass are used in the painted aluminum windows. The sunshades on the building’s south elevation, which permit the use of large windows in the library, are also fabricated of painted aluminum. The interior finishes are austere. Wherever possible the final floor finish is sealed concrete and the finished ceiling is painted concrete plank. Partitions are of painted gypsum board in the laboratory wing.

The main stair (above and right) is located at the intersection of the two principal corridors or interior streets. It inhabits a dramatic and handsome skylit space which connects the main floor with the supermarket and other services in the basement.

All services to the laboratory benches (left) are delivered from exposed piping in the ceiling which passes through perforations in the precast structural girders. The exhaust ducts at the rear of the laboratory wing (right) are five-stories high. At this point in-line fans expel the fumes. Ten of the 15 shafts are heavily used and five lightly.
The work of Sert, Jackson and Associates at Harvard and in the Cambridge/Boston area is instantly recognizable as theirs. It is characterized by an unrepentant urban scale and density which at the same time acknowledges humbler neighboring buildings and modest human needs such as those of the pedestrian (below). The facades appear to be almost random in their projections, fenestration and terracing, making explicit the functions within. Boldly expressive, the work avoids the false picturesqueness perpetrated by those who deliberately seek it. The buildings make honest use of readily available and economical materials and rapid systems of assembly, without being in any sense ugly. Sert himself does not appear to have waivered in his belief in the basic tenets of the modern movement and such single-minded consistency is cheering if only because it is so rare these days.
SNOWBIRD: IN SCALE WITH THE MOUNTAINS
Snowbird provides a good instance of planning that knows when to be timid and when to be bold. Nearly a decade ago Ted Johnson, a skier who is now president of Snowbird Corporation, began acquiring old mining claims in Little Cottonwood Canyon in the Wasatch Mountains near Salt Lake City; his goal was to use the land (together with additional land leased from the United States Forest Service) to make what Snowbird has been called by some, the finest ski resort in America. By 1966, the initial master plan and architectural concepts—based on lengthy studies of the natural qualities of the canyon, including the patterns of its avalanches—had been developed by Brixen & Christopher, architects, and by the firm of Bliss & Campbell and John R. Smith, architectural consultants; the Office of Dan Kiley acted as site planning consultant. "From the beginning," Smith says, "we wanted something in suitable physical scale—not necessarily human scale. We felt that Snowbird should be a strong, bold, high-density, very studiously 'American' resort." In the continuing development of the master plan (which is now being carried on by Enteleki Architecture, Planning, Research, a firm of which Smith is a principal) the designers have managed to stick to these original goals with an admirable consistency.

The plan (above) is composed of an integrated series of multi-level structures that provide lodging and commercial space. These are set low in the site and their roofs are covered with sod to minimize their visual impact when they are seen from roadways or from other buildings above. The planners were anxious to avoid the piecemeal multiplication of small chalets across the site, and so no private land has been offered for sale. Instead, the necessary residential accommodations are provided in relatively few buildings. In doing one set of things that they thought desirable (not covering much land, preserving as many trees as possible, and minimizing water runoff), the planners were also able to provide buildings of sufficient size to be in scale with the rugged setting. They do not sprawl across the mountainous terrain as hundreds of individual houses would have; instead they stand in partnership with the steep mountains around them. All of the major lodge buildings are organized in a linear fashion that follows the strike of the natural contours and allows an easy flow of pedestrians, services and utilities along generally level lines, rather than across the steep land on either side. Thus a pedestrian
can move—usually under cover, an important consideration here since the annual average snowfall is 450 inches—between most buildings and to the central plaza without inconvenience.

Ultimately the greater Snowbird development is planned to provide overnight accommodations for 6,500 people in the base village and in three satellite villages, and the lift and trail capacity will be close to 10,000 skiers a day by 1980. Even though the designers of the resort manifested from the beginning an unusual respect for the ecology of the mountains, they are encountering pressure from some citizens in the Salt Lake City area who would like to see the development of Cottonwood Canyon (which supplies about a quarter of Salt Lake City’s water) more strictly limited. It is not yet completely clear how much effect the proposed development would have on the water supply, or how that effect could be minimized. But, as John Smith admits, “We are—and rightly so—having to come up with more and deeper answers to many environmental problems.” Judging from the way the Snowbird planners have dealt with such delicate issues in the past, the possibility of finding solutions seems hopeful, and desirable as well.

—Gerald Allen
The first public facilities for Snowbird were built at the Base Village, and they are a terminal for the 120-passenger jibback tramway, a base plaza with commercial facilities and, below it, more commercial space, offices and restaurants. This is the village center for skiers and for other pedestrians. The three-level building provides vehicular access, and some parking, on the first level, on the second the commercial spaces begin (plan right) and on the top is the plaza (seen to the left of the tram terminal in the above drawing). The tram machinery, which looks like a set of parts lifted from some outsize Swiss watch, is enclosed by glass walls and on one level surrounded by a bar, the better to charm the eyes of weary imbibers. The building is designed eventually to provide integral connection, both above and below ground, to the collection of lodges built around it.

The Lodge at Snowbird (above and on the left in the opposite drawing) takes its form from the linear principles of the overall land planning. It is a 160-unit condominium hotel, and the units vary from singles to studio apartments to three-bedroom apartments with kitchens. These are arranged along single-loaded corridors (plan right) so that they all have the advantage of facing the sun and the ski runs. This was the first full-scale illustration at Snowbird of the principles of high-density residential units large enough to be a presence in the landscape, but with sufficiently low site coverage to avoid destroying it. The 140,000 square feet cover only about a half acre, and, according to Snowbird officials, only four evergreen trees had to be removed to put it there. Though it successfully manages to signal its presence by force of its size, the Lodge, with its cantilevered balconies, seems somewhat less continent and less bold than some of the other buildings that have been built more recently at the resort.

The Cliff Lodge at Snowbird, unlike the first lodge near the Base Village Plaza, is a conventional rather than a condominium hotel. It is a 12-story reinforced concrete building with 162 rooms, restaurant, saunas, swimming pool, library, lounge and bar. The plan of the lodge is skewed from rectangle to parallelogram in order to attain longer views up and down the canyon—though the structural grid manages without apparent strain to remain orthogonal (plans right). The first three floors contain on the whole public spaces, including the double-volume lounge and dining area. The remaining nine floors consist entirely of guest rooms. The folding together of structural and programmatic concerns, as well as those of siting and massing, seem comfortably appropriate. There is little here that screams for attention, but much that seems altogether fitting for the occasion.

Mid Gad Valley Restaurant is located approximately halfway between the bottom and the top of the ski runs. It can warm and feed about 200 skiers at a time (and also resist 125 mile an hour winds, and earthquakes, if necessary). The building is a 10,000 square foot structure of laminated wood beams and glass. Point load columns at the corners support the entire structure fifteen feet above the ground. The structural system consists of a series of interlocking laminated wood trusses with steel gusset plates. The transparent framework of the building affords panoramic views of the mountains and the village below. At the center of the building, where the truss members come together to form an inverted pyramid, there is an open fireplace which is the visual focus of the interior. A part of the square plan is eroded (site plan, right) to provide an outdoor terrace as well, where skiers can, on bright days, relax in the sun. Overall, the building is remarkable for the clarity which it manages to maintain while meeting the functional requirements of an unusual site.

Lodges IV and V are the most recent designs for Snowbird by Enteleki Architecture, Planning, Research, and they show that firm's continuing interest in accommodating the varieties and nuances of a building's program within a clear and rational building system. Lodge IV (above) is, like the first lodge at Snowbird, a linear structure, and it is built parallel to the main access road (see site plan, pages 120-121); it is a 74-unit condominium hotel. Lodge V (right) is a condominium hotel with 69 units, and it is just next to the Base Village plaza (see drawing on page 122) and will be linked to it on two levels by a plaza extension. There are five basic types of apartments ranging from a one-module studio unit through two-, three- and four-module apartments with interior balconies. The configuration of various module units is shown in the axonometric drawing, far right.

SNOWBIRD LODGES IV AND V. Architects: Enteleki Architecture, Planning, Research. Engineers: Joseph Joseph Patrick (structural); Rollins, Brown & Gunnell, Inc. (foundation for Lodge IV); Bridgers & Paxton Consulting Engineers, Inc. (mechanical); Nielsen Engineering (electrical). Consultants: Reed, Jones Christoffersen, Ltd. (consulting structural engineer for Lodge V); Richins Organization (interiors for Lodge IV). General contractor: Henry C. Beck Company.

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Designing and engineering computer controlled acoustic flexibility for a multiple-use theater

by George C. Izenour

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The Edwin Thomas Performing Arts Hall at the University of Akron (Ohio), could well be the most sophisticated multiple-use building for the performing arts in the world. For me, it is a culmination of a long-range program (over two decades and some 20 odd other multiple-use theater designs) that set out to achieve ultimate environmental control over the auditorium and stage, where seating geometry, auditorium volume, and acoustics are integral with the architecture—not in opposition to it. This is a room where acoustical dynamics are a literal manifestation of Wallace Clement Sabine's reverberation equation (which states the reverberation time is directly proportional to volume and inversely proportional to absorption) and John Scott Russell's sightline criteria for auditorium seating. The theories of these men are integral to my auditorium and stage systems engineering design.

The building program was derived by an unusually happy conjunction of adventurous minds. The client—the University of Akron, the architects—Caudill Rowlett Scott and Flynn, Dalton, Van Dijk, the engineer—R. M. Gensert, the acoustical consultant—Dr. V. O. Knudsen, and the contractors pulled it off together within a modest budget. Function for function, this multi-use theater does as well or better than any other single-use building of equal size and architectural sophistication (see cost analysis page 148).

The program: seating, sightlines and acoustics

After 15 years of collaboration, Knudsen and I were by this time able to read each other's minds and with full authority from the client and cooperation of the architects we exercised complete control over the auditorium acoustical and seating geometry respectively. A 30

1 See Sabine: "Collected papers on acoustics" (New York: Dover) and the essay entitled "Elementary consideration of some principles in the construction of buildings designed to accommodate spectators," by John Scott Russell (Proceedings of the Royal Scottish Society of Arts).
degree auditorium in plan (figure 1) and section (figures, 4, 5, 6) was chosen from the start as acoustically practical and as being the most efficient seating scheme. It provides for the division of auditorium space into a shallow orchestra section seating 800-900, with good vision from every row to an extended stage configuration. The scheme provides a shallow flying balcony seating 600 over a deep grand tier seating 1500; both with every other row vision to a proscenium stage configuration. The seating in all three divisions is continental, with 39 in. back-to-back spacing. These seating divisions, maximizing vertical and horizontally staggered sightlines, room volumes and seating capacities, are compatible with the complex movable ceiling geometry. The ceiling takes variable positions to form a concert hall (figures 4, 7, 8), opera/musical comedy theater (figures 5, 10) and intimate drama theater (figures 6, 11). The maximum sightline distances from the stage are as follows: intimate theater and recital—70 feet (proscenium), 54 feet (apron); opera/musical comedy—130 feet; concert—130 feet.

The theater building: structure and form

The primary structure is a massive poured-in-place reinforced concrete system of walls, beams, and folded plates. In over-all plan, the building consists of the auditorium, lobbies, plazas, and an underground parking structure wrapped around a parallelogram-shaped stage house (figure 1) on a hillside site adjacent to a downtown railroad cut. Both sides of the auditorium are enveloped by a glazed lobby terminated at the rear by a buttressed great wall. This wall serves as one of two structural supports (the stage tower is the other) for spanning the lobbies and the auditorium. The roof is a reinforced concrete, post-stressed cable, valley beam and folded plate structural system. The secondary inside auditorium wall structure is a combined block masonry, steel-framed lath and plastered system from lobby-orchestra floor to roof. A series of catenary cables are restrained at either end by steel frames and suspend 3600 acoustically dampened steel plates (figure 2). These constitute in the aggregate an auditorium ceiling system which is hung by still another cable supporting system from a steel interfacing structure connected to the primary roof.  

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2 A flying balcony unlike the usual kind is here forward of the rear wall of the auditorium to permit acoustical energy circulation around it. Precedent for this design belongs to Dankmar Adler, who first used it in his design for the Chicago Auditorium-Theater in 1889.

3 A catenary curve is described as the sag due to gravity of a cable or chain restrained at both ends. The degree of restraint and/or sag for these catenaries was determined by Knudsen from acoustical studies and verified by his three-dimensional acoustical model testing.

4 The advantage of hindsight is instructive. Had the primary structure over the auditorium been a steel truss system instead of the post-stressed reinforced concrete system, the complex interfacing structural steel system required for resolving the torsional forces of the ceiling cable suspension system into the valley beams of the roof would not have been necessary. In general, structural concrete roof systems have not, in the experience of this consultant, worked to advantage in theater construction for either auditorium or stage house.
ual and acoustical ceiling for the auditorium. The ceiling, originally designed to be executed in non-specular acoustically dampened stainless steel, is instead, due to a budget cut, fabricated in epoxy painted, acoustically dampened, mild steel. The stage house is a monolithic in situ reinforced concrete box (figure 12). It contains a suspended steel gridiron, a storage truss for the acoustical shell ceiling (figures 5, 6) a single purchase counterweight stage rigging system, a full slip stage wing on stage right, and a fully automated dampened steel acoustical shell.

The sound reflecting steel auditorium ceiling and matching stage acoustical steel shell ceiling (figure 2) float free of the walls. These are of woven in situ trans-sondent steel exposed to view. In the auditorium, behind this steel mesh but invisible are hard plaster, convex, splayed, sound reflecting walls. On the stage, the acoustical shell consists of dampened steel sound reflecting walls. Between the woven steel and sound reflecting surfaces is interposed 12,000 square feet of programmed absorption (figure 3). The movable ceiling weighs 44 tons and utilizes six closed loop, clew stabilized, electro-motive winch drives connected to 27 lead filled chrome plated steel cylinders (counterweights weighing approximately 47 tons) hung in the main lobby as a tension sculpture (figures 3, 17).

Auditorium lighting for the concert hall and opera/musical comedy theater configurations is indirect except for downlights in the shell ceiling, grand tier and flying balcony soffits. The uplight incandescent quartz iodine lighting fixtures, directed through louvers at the ceiling, are installed in the flying balcony rails, front and rear, and the front of the grand tier. The intimate drama theater configuration is separately illuminated by a series of small optical downlights installed in the voids between individual panels in the warped trapezoidal framed ceiling section immediately forward of the auditorium ceiling lightbridge.

Designing, fabricating, erecting and rigging the acoustical system
From the first, Knudsen and I considered room dynamics as a kinetic space where a movable automated auditorium ceiling structure, movable automated stage acoustical shell, and a variable absorption system were to be controlled by a multiple programmed analogue computer activated from a remote control console (figure 13). The fabrication, erection and rigging of this auditorium ceiling and stage acoustical shell structure was most complex.

The individual steel ceiling panels (in seven shapes randomly displaced) that make up the ceiling acoustical surface, are arranged in four rectilinear and 12 mitered arrays (figure 2) and constitute a complicated geometry which we solved in three dimensions by a 

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5 The materials used in construction of this auditorium (steel and plaster) shatter the ancient acoustical myth of wood being the only suitable material for auditoria; as expressed in the often quoted jingle “Sound is round and only wood is good.” To this, my response is “NONSENSE!”

6 Fabrication, erection and rigging was executed by: Mid States Ornamental Iron Works of Kansas City, Missouri, and I. R. Clancy of Syracuse, New York, respectively.
scale working model which also served Knudsen as a three-dimensional live acoustical energy test model. In addition to its acoustical and lighting functions, the total ceiling has also to provide 11 per cent over-all transparency for passage of air from supply ducts above the movable ceiling to a negative air plenum in the auditorium floor. The total visual effect of the ceiling is that of a continuous geometrically abstract mosaic-like drapery hung in slightly overlapping mitered catenary folds (figures 2, 7). The movable panel ceiling sections are grouped in arrays, group counterweighted and electro-motively driven linearly up and down as well as radially displaced.

Movement of the entire structure is synchronized by means of analogue and differential amplifiers directing interfacing and interlocking switching logic and finally motor reversing contractors. The amplifier system and its mechanically linked interfacing control elements are designed to sense linear and/or angular displacement between adjacent sections of the ceiling. Each array operates within fixed preset electronic limits as well as mechanically set and fixed ultimate and operating limits. This control network also transmits commands to other interfacing and interlocking switching logic, insuring that the separate drives during movement do not ever get out of step with each other. This insures balance between separate drives and in the event that a mechanical or electrical fault develops during a given duty cycle, the control system, sensing the fault condition, issues the proper command and shuts the system down until the fault condition is corrected and movement can again be initiated. A system of tally lights arranged to suit the three ceiling positions gives the operator at the console a visual check and indication of ceiling operation and position (figure 13). Figures 14 and 15 show from a position in the grand tier the intimate theater ceiling movement cycle at two stages: 50 per cent and completion.

In concert position, the movable ceiling catenary panel arrays articulate between the fixed catenary panel arrays over the flying balcony at the rear of the auditorium and the fixed ceiling arrays within the acoustical shell, itself pre-erected within the stage house (figure 9), yielding a series of convex modulations that direct evenly diffused first energy reflections over an auditorium seating 3008 (figure 4). Angular displacement of the group of three mitered catenaries directly ahead of the flying balcony, with stage acoustical shell stored and with either full- or small-sized orchestra pit, yields an opera/musical comedy theater seating 2400 (figure 5). The six sections immediately forward of the proscenium, including the lightbridge (also with stage acoustical shell stored) when angularly displaced and lowered 15 feet at the proscenium and 48 feet to the grand tier balcony rail, yield an intimate drama theater with or without an apron stage and/or orchestra pit, or, with small stage acoustical shell erected, a recital hall seating 850-900 (figure 6). Separate angular articulation of the single trapezoidal ceiling leaf on the stage side of the lightbridge opens the ceiling in front of the bridge for front lighting the opera/musical comedy theater mode (figure 10).
A system of manually-operated proscenium pull-out panels articulates with the proscenium teaser (the section of the movable ceiling adjacent to the stage) in the intimate theater mode and reduces the scale of the proscenium from the 58-foot-wide by 40-foot-high concert opening to a 48-by 25-foot theater opening. This opening is reduced still further by motor-driven onstage steel framed teaser and tormentors to a minimum opening of 36 feet wide by 18 feet high. When the lifts are in stage position, manually operated pivoting caliper panels open up on the forestage at the auditorium sidewalls for actors making entrances before the proscenium and for side lighting. The two pit/apron lifts provide either a shallow or massive apron projecting forward into the auditorium ten or eighteen feet. This flexible proscenium system is shown in plan and elevation (figure 16).

Acoustical flexibility, in addition to the volumetric control provided by the movable ceiling, is achieved by a system of 37 individual motor-operated absorption drives between the woven steel trans-sendent mesh and hard plaster reflecting convex splayed side and rear auditorium walls. Each is programmed for five preset conditions (figure 3). In addition, there is a roll-up cut-off absorption curtain in line with the flying balcony rail that when lowered prevents rear wall reflected energy from coupling back into the used portion of the auditorium in the opera/musical comedy theater mode. These absorption drive controls determine not only the selection among drives but the position of each individual drive for each condition, as well. These conditions range from all hard concert hall surfaces to maximum absorption for intimate theater, with intermediate conditions for opera/musical comedy, recital and lecture. The system accommodates a lecture hall in any one of three sizes (900, 2600, and 3008) with the central loudspeaker cluster and sound reinforcement system in use.

Cost analysis: does computer-controlled acoustic flexibility cost too much? Some explanation is essential to understanding the figures in the budget analysis (overleaf). Mechanical and structural flexibility for the convertibility feature of this multiple-use facility is represented in the budget by: (1) pit/apron lifts ($62,000); (2) rigging ($300,000); (3) special steel ($320,000). But these also include amounts not spent for the conversion equipment. Deleting $100,000 of the amount for special steel for a fixed ceiling (required in any case) and $100,000 from the rigging budget for regular theatrical stage running rigging, the total budget for conversion equipment comes to $482,000—less than ¼ the cost (at today’s prices) of a similarly equipped separate 900-seat proscenium theater (not to mention the cost of the intermediate sized opera/musical comedy theater).

During the past two decades it has taken to perfect these theater engineering techniques there has been much unsubstantiated talk, originating with academics, architects, stage designers and assorted critics, to the effect that the unwarranted cost of massive mechanized conversion of the kind necessary for multiple-
use theater design as advocated by me was for all practical purposes as expensive as another theater building. The cost figures displayed here show that nothing is further from the fact. What costs money in a theater building, no matter how you cut or slice the budget, is still the building itself—and not stage machinery or the requisites of essential flexibility for successful multiple-use theater design and acoustical function.

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*Includes orchestra shell and auditorium ceiling.

*Includes orchestra shell and auditorium ceiling rigging.

Figure 16 Plan and elevation—flexible proscenium system

Figure 17 Lobby and tension sculpture

Figure 18 Over-all view of the auditorium with all house lights on, showing the movable ceiling from the rear in the intimate drama theater configuration. Cut-off of the remaining volume of the auditorium demonstrates conclusively how the continental seating system of side aisle access only (with all houselights behind lowered portions of the ceiling turned off) allows the auditorium to be reduced in size without the audience being aware either during ingress, egress, or when seated in the auditorium or moving about in the lobbies that the reduction in size is at all a makeshift architectural arrangement.
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Hide-A-Spray® Flat Latex Paint

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Rossiter Painting, Inc., the painting contractor working with the PPG Paint Center manager, programmed the interior painting of this giant complex to meet an airtight schedule—profitably.

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The Hide-A-Spray way can avoid the costly delay in moving occupants into your buildings. For all the details send for complete literature. PPG Industries, One Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222.

PPG Paint Center Manager, Bert Snydeman (left), and Harold L. Rossiter, President of Rossiter Painting, Inc., Tampa, watch Richard Davis and Ray Bean as they put finishing touches to the exterior of one of the homes with an exterior Pittsburgh paint.

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A new four-page brochure covering perlite insulating concrete contains tables showing "U" values for different thickness slabs, thermal conductivity and compressive strength as well as comparisons with similar systems including expanded slag, shale or clay and sand and gravel.  
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