

January Furniture Marts Feature Reproductions

Chicago—Shades of the past, present, and future battle for attention in new designs shown at the January home-furnishings market in Chicago, according to information from the National Association of Furniture Manufacturers.

Reminiscent of the formative years of our nation will be adaptations and reproductions of American styles, some copied from famed originals in the White House or adapted from furniture in private collections. Reappearing will be pieces little known to present generations, but used daily by wealthy Colonials, the ball and bed, the chest-on-frame, even the wig stand which has fresh application in this latter part of the Twentieth century.

Sporadic Accent
French Provincial designs will be stronger than ever, and the influence of French court, Italian, Venetian, Spanish and English styling will give sporadic accent to the market. Strengthening of the Mediterranean influence is noted in the appearance of Corinthian motifs from the Greek. Interesting are the new blends of motifs from traditional designs of the same period, giving the true collection look as opposed to the repetition of design, characteristic of groups and suites of a few years ago.

As fresh and cleanly styled as a rocket ready for the launching pad are the new designs in contemporary and modern, softly rounded for warmth and well-being. New use pieces in these designs include, hobby caddies, television hutches, snack benches. New well-scaled sectionals promise to return this seating piece to high favor. There are master loungers, scoop chairs, new shapes in seating; the vertical look with its generous storage space continues merrily on in case pieces.

In multi-purpose pieces there are Formica-topped tables that are for breakfast, party, and game use; there are teen-age vanities to double as desk or homemaker's note table; a double-deck bed with desk attachments for both foot and head, providing sleeping and desk room for two; and a room-divider desk, finished on both sides to stand free.

The stack unit, in diversified designs, has won perennial favor and will be present in many lines for bedroom and living room.

Molded Fibron
New in dinettes will be the fibron swivel seat and cross-legged styles. There are new metal and wood combinations for festive settings. One dinette group has a hi-backed, well-upholstered chair in Gothic design with unusual appeal.

Juvenile furniture, especially for tots, leans to contemporary, Early American and French Provincial in styling. One ingenious manufacturer has a space capsule for retailer use, to house and amuse future space explorers while mother shops for furniture for his room.

A new Teen-ager group in French provincial is crafted in genuine cherry in a light toned finish or in antique white. It includes a twin-sized bed, five-drawer chest, double dresser, and powder-table-desk. For use with the case pieces is a matching canopy crib for the youngster's earliest period.

Finishes
Walnut is still number one wood; cherry is second. This information is from J. A. Hager, president of Guardsman Chemical Coatings, Inc., formerly known as Grand Rapids Varnish corporation, an expert on woods and finishes. Hager said that mahogany, in a color recognizable as mahogany, the brown tone used in early French furniture, has moved up fast in the style picture. He also said that we are on the threshold of a resurgence of oak, in sophisticated finishes showing the hand-crafted look, and that this wood is used more frequently in furniture from formal to very casual designs.

Colorwise, finishes, said Hager, show a trend to the brown-brown with almost complete elimination of the yellow or orange undertones. The trend toward more overlays of burl and decorative woods, more careful attention to hardware and detail, continues. Authentic mellowness and appearance of age persists, with finish distressing achieved through spatter marks, crayon marks and hand-padded Distressing of wood, formerly noted only in high-bracket furniture, is now used even in the medium and medium-low priced groups to eliminate the factory-fresh look.

Medium Lustre
The sheen of finishes is at the medium-lustre level. One new finish, noted on several high-styled groups in the market, needs only application of a cleansing polish, rather than one to restore sheen, a boon to the maidless home.

A new technique in painted finishes permits the application of color, without brush work, will have a choice of the dry bony type finish, medium-key lustre, and the high lustre, such as preferred by teenagers. Colors in painted pieces range from muted blues, tile reds, muted green and mustard yellows in Early American to the pastel yellows, pastel blue-greens, and beige used in traditional lines.

Fabrics
The market will teem with color, the hot, bright shades that harmonize with Spanish and other Mediterranean designs, the reds, blue, and green. Colors ride under such descriptive pseudonyms as pimento, poppy, sour cherry, ochre, Kashmir, copper, moss, and many others. Textures run the range from wool felts, tweedy cottons, knobby cottons and rayons to the lush silks, matelasses, brocades and damask weaves, to provide covers suitable for designs from contemporary and modern to the formal traditional.

Collins & Aikman and its affiliate firms say the trend is to textured nylon, that covers specially made for Mediterranean designs are de-lustrated but that colors are brilliant and clean. They are also showing new colorful stripes, lots of blue and gold combines. In their opinion the trend is toward more color, less of white and other neutrals.

Beiter Grades
LaFrance Industries indicates that better-grade fabrics are being used in both pile and flat fabrics. Pile fabrics are gaining the "flat fabric" look. They have Jacquard designs in 100 per cent nylon, textured weaves for Early American furniture in 100 per cent nylon and rayon and cotton fabrics in raised patterns, more like brocade-like with the slub feeling in striped effect.

Bolla Mills, a division of General Tire and Rubber company, has glove soft expanded vinyls that look like top-grain saddle leather for use on high-quality dual-seating units, reclining and pull-up chairs. Deep wine, green, and saffron are popular colors.

This firm has a multi-color vinelle in matelasse effect with embossing for use on dresser dual sleep units and chairs. In unsupported 12-gauge vinyls, Bolla Mills has three new patterns, a multi-color print in a flat finish for early American dinette chairs, hassocks, headboards; a three-dimensional pattern with overtones for use on modern furniture; and another with damask embossing and a stripe overprint. New in the 21-ounce supported (knit) backs for more elasticity vinyls is a pattern with inlay effect toning.

CALENDAR
Wednesday:
6:30 p.m. - Crater auxiliary of Siskiyou county, Patriarch Militant, IOOF hall.
7:30 p.m. - SOSA, Girls Community club.
8 p.m. - Beta Sigma Phi sorority, Mrs. Richard Frey, 109 S. Orange st.
8 p.m. - Medford Toastmistress club, Girls Community club.
Thursday:
12:30 p.m. - Medford Sojourners club, Girls Community club.
1 p.m. - Golden Link class, with Mrs. J. H. Liechtenstern, 1011 West Tenth st.
1:30 p.m. - Elk-Trail PTA, at school.

Social Events ♦ Women's News



The Thespian club of Medford High school has chosen Saroyan's "The Beautiful People" for winter production and it will open Thursday, January 24, for a three-night run. Playing leading roles are Jean Allen, shown here as Agnes, and Jim Kerber in his role as Owen. The play is a day in the life of a small family in San Francisco and concerns the father's philosophy of rearing his children and his efforts to help them find their true identification, to know love and to understand one another. Tickets for the play, to be presented in the arena theater, Room 81 of the school, may be obtained from members of the cast or staff or at the door each night. The time is 8 p.m.

Dance Lessons Begin Tonight

Arthur Shoemaker announces that beginner lessons for the winter term of square dancing will start tonight at 8 p.m. at the Pythian building on Fifth and Grape streets in Medford. Anyone interested in this form of recreation is invited to participate.

Installation Set By Two Lodges

Table Rock Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ladies' auxiliary will hold joint installation of officers Thursday, January 24, at 8 p.m. in the Medford IOOF hall.

In Portland

Ashland - Mr. and Mrs. Jean F. Eberhart, 248 Wimer street, spent several days in Portland while attending the Pacific Northwest Hardware and Implement association convention held at the Multnomah hotel January 20 to 22.

Girl Scouts

Brownie Troop 114 held an investiture ceremony January 14 in the recreation room of the Rogue River council, Girl Scout headquarters building, 209 South Oakdale avenue.

Elk-Trail Plans Chili Supper

Trail-Elk Trail school will hold a chili supper January 25 in conjunction with the Elk Trail-Shady Cove Basketball game. Serving will begin at 6 p.m. and the basketball game at seven o'clock. The public is invited.

Return

Ashland - Mrs. Blanche Huffman, Siskiyou boulevard, returned last week from visiting relatives in Junction City and Beaverton. She accompanied the Jesse Lilly family of Riddle on the northern trip.

Meeting Announced For Sewing Club

The sewing club of the Disabled American Veterans auxiliary will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 23, at the home of Mrs. Norman Neathammer, 119 Jeanette Street. A potluck luncheon will be served at noon.

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Ashland Bethel Holds Installation Ceremony

Ashland - More than a hundred guests attended the recent installation ceremonies of Job's Daughters, Bethel 22, when Miss Kathy Zimmerlee was crowned the honored queen. Installed with her were the new line officers for the ensuing term.

Townsend Club Is Reorganized

The Townsend club of Medford has been reorganized and will meet Sunday, January 27, at 12 noon at the home of Mrs. Ida Kelly, 18 Quince street.

Reames Chapter Sets Initiation

Reames chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a stated meeting Thursday, January 24, at 8 p.m. in the Medford Masonic temple.

Club to Observe 26th Anniversary

Electa Social club will celebrate the 26th anniversary of founding at a meeting Friday, January 25, at Girls Community club. A potluck luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m. and members of the Order of Eastern Star are invited to meet with the group in celebration of the anniversary.

Slide Show Set By Orchid Club

A meeting of the Rogue Valley Orchid society is planned for Friday, January 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the G. A. Gitzon home, 1332 East Main street, Medford.

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Italians Show Low Heels

Florence, Italy - (UPI) - The tall, skinny heel that has propped up fashionable feet for so many seasons tottered on its throne as the Italian spring-summer fashion shows went into their fourth day here today.

International buyers and press kept a wary eye on the models' feet as designers Venetiani, Marucelli, Guidi and Mingolini - Gugenheim unveiled their new high fashion collections in the historic Pitti Palace. The palace, once the home of a leading Italian family, is now an art museum used twice a year for fashion showings.

The shoe revolution seething in the Florence collections should be good news for foot doctors. Sturdy two-inch heels on sensible laced shoes were the rage, especially for evening.

Designers Enzo and Lancetti delighted in teaming high heeled silk sneakers on brocade walking oxfords with formal evening gowns. The effect is strange until the eye has time to adjust to the new concept.

Shoes for daytime wear were a little more frivolous except when it came to heels. Two-toned shoes with broad T straps and cut-outs seemed to step straight out of a book of memoirs on high life in the 1930s.

Hospital Bed Available in Gold Hill Area

Gold Hill - Mrs. DeLos Walker was named chairman of the hospital bed project at the January meeting of Gold Hill Health unit. Providing use of a hospital bed to persons in the Gold Hill area who are in need of such equipment is a community project carried on by the local unit. Those requiring this type of service may contact Mrs. Walker or another member of the unit.

Mrs. J. G. Kofahl was hostess at her home. A desert luncheon was served by co-hostesses, Mrs. John Garrison and Mrs. Katherine Lange.

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Center Director Talks for PTA

Jerome Prairie-Dr. Richard W. Gilkey, director of the Jackson County Curriculum Materials center, spoke and gave a demonstration at a meeting of the Jerome Prairie Parent-Teacher association. Members of the Wilderville Parent-Teacher association were guests.

Californians Visit in Evans Valley

Evans Valley-Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Skinner were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Anderson and family, San Diego. Mrs. Anderson is their daughter.

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Gallery Hours Extended For Remainder of Show

Because of the interest shown in the current exhibit at Rogue gallery, open hours are extended for the remainder of this month. It was announced yesterday. Works of members of the Southern Oregon Society of Artists are displayed at the gallery, 220 West Main street, and anyone interested is invited to view the exhibit without charge.

For the remainder of January gallery hours will be 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The gallery is closed Sundays. Volunteer hostesses are on duty during these hours. Members of the Southern Oregon Society of Artists are on duty Wednesday, Junior Service League members serve on Tuesday and members of Medford branch, American Association of University Women, Thursday. On other days, members of

Rogue Valley Art association, which operates the gallery, serve as hostesses.

Thirty-four members of the SOSA have paintings displayed in the exhibit. They are Carol McDaniel, H. L. Grossman, Frances Middleton, LaVesta Gardner, Ruby Tweddell, Donna Lantis, Frances Huggins, Eugene Bennett, Emil Knutson, Cora McMahon, Lucille Jackson, Barbara Moser, Dorothy Beck, Joan Beyer, Ruth Richter, Victoria Staley, Eileen Mole, Ethyl Hixson, Dorothy Eskew, Viola Moore, June Phillips, Elizabeth Sheffield, Ann Reid, Henrietta Oliver, Katherine Larson, Ada Andrews, Robert Bridge, Martha Dawkins, Gall Caperna, George Johnson, Bea Corum, Bess Mitchell, Glenn Scott and Robert Bosworth.

Ashland Group Holds Ceremony

Ashland-Auxiliary to Ashland Barracks 1268, World War I Veterans, elected Mrs. Frances Gallatin its president for 1963 and installed her at the January meeting in the armory.

Mrs. Hugh Smith, Grants Pass, past district president, was the installing officer. On the auxiliary board serving with Mrs. Gallatin are Mrs. Orval Howard, first vice president; Mrs. Cecil Gilbert, Junior vice president; Mrs. Herman Holm, treasurer; Mrs. William Turner, secretary; Mrs. Curtis Strong, chaplain; Mrs. Floyd Crosslin, conductress; Mrs. E. N. Terrill, Mrs. Carl Timmons, historian. New chairmen are Mrs. Edgar Shoupe, membership; Mrs. Terrill, legislation; Mrs. Earl Royston, flowers, and Mrs. William Beare, hospital.

At the close of the installation the new president presented the auxiliary past president's pin to Mrs. Royston on behalf of the members and also gave Mrs. Smith a remembrance of the occasion. A social hour followed the meeting.

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Tudor Guild Plans Show

Ashland - "The Mouse That Roared" is to be presented Monday evening, February 4, by Tudor guild in the Variety theatre. The benefit performance will be followed by an after-theatre social hour in Caesar hall of the Mark Antony hotel.

According to Mrs. Hugh Simpson, chairman of the event, all proceeds are to go toward the guild's Shakespearean Festival scholarship fund.

Tickets for the film and the post performance party may be purchased from any member of Tudor guild and will also be on sale at the Variety box office until curtain time at 8 p.m., February 4.

"The Mouse That Roared" is considered one of the most hilarious of British comedies and stars Peter Sellers.

The planning committee discovered that the scheduled date conflicted with a Civic Music concert in Medford so decided to invite the concert attendants to share in the late evening snack hour in the hotel.

Red Cross Chapter Holds Annual Orientation Course

Jackson County chapter of the American Red Cross conducted an orientation program yesterday with about 50 board members, volunteers and guests present at the Chapter house for the event.

This is an annual program to familiarize volunteers and persons interested in serving with the Red Cross with the scope of activities performed within the community.

Guests were welcomed by Mrs. O. A. Eden, chairman of volunteers, who introduced Mrs. Frank Fairweather, local volunteer field consultant, who was the main speaker for the session.

Mrs. Fairweather gave a brief history of the Red Cross and then explained the moral as well as legal obligation first, "to act in matters of voluntary relief during times of disaster," and secondly, "to act as a medium of communication between the people of the United States and their Armed Forces," as stated by the American National Red Cross charter.

Security Club To Hold Dance

Security Benefit club will sponsor a dance at the Pythian hall Friday, January 25, from 8 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. The club orchestra will play, and a nominal charge will be made for refreshments to be served at 10 p.m.

The club planned to meet today at the hall for luncheon, and members having birthdays in January were to be honored. Anyone interested is invited to attend the meetings and learn of the club's purpose and activities.

Xi Mu Chapter Meets Tonight

Xi Mu chapter, Beta Sigma Phi sorority, will hold their regular business meeting this evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Richard H. Frey, 109 South Orange street with Miss Adabee Seiler acting as co-hostess. Members are asked to notice that this is a change from former plans.

The program will be presented by Mrs. Ernest Mickleson, who will review material collected from a visit in northern Europe.

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