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When the artist Michelangelo was commissioned to paint the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican, he did not want to do the work because he considered himself a sculptor, but his work became the most marvelous of his life.

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MONEY'S WORTH

BUFFALO, N.Y. (UPI) — Mrs. Allen H. Brown of Tonawanda, N.Y., really got her money's worth out of an airmail stamp. She put the stamp on a letter to her parents in Elizabeth, N.J. The letter arrived six days after it was sent, bearing a cancellation from Frankfurt, Germany.

SPACE - AGE STOCKS
NEW YORK (UPI) — Space-age securities have replaced in the public imagination the romantic aspects of uranium issues, according to New York State Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz. Noting there has been heavy speculation in space age stocks—shares of jet, electronics, exotic fuel and related companies — the attorney general warned investors to deal only with known securities firms, to beware of get-rich-quick promises and not to buy on tips and rumors.

HANGOVER KIT

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—Film director Walter Lang thinks he has a winner if there's a prize for the Year's Most Interesting Prop. It's a hangover kit. Seen in "But Not For Me," the kit consists of a small oxygen mask, instant coffee, aspirin, tomato juice, ice pack, vitamins—and ear plugs to protect the sufferer from sudden loud noises.

EX-TAR NOW 'ROUGH RIDER'

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—Jan Merlin, who plays the part of a former Confederate Army officer in the "Rough Riders" (ABC-TV) series, was aboard the first ship to enter the Japanese port of Kure near Hiroshima during World War II. The ship arrived shortly after the atomic bomb attack on Hiroshima.



WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?—Two baby hooded seals seem down at the mouth after they were placed on exhibition at the New York Aquarium at Coney Island. The infants, though only three weeks old, weigh 100 pounds each and are described as "ferocious."



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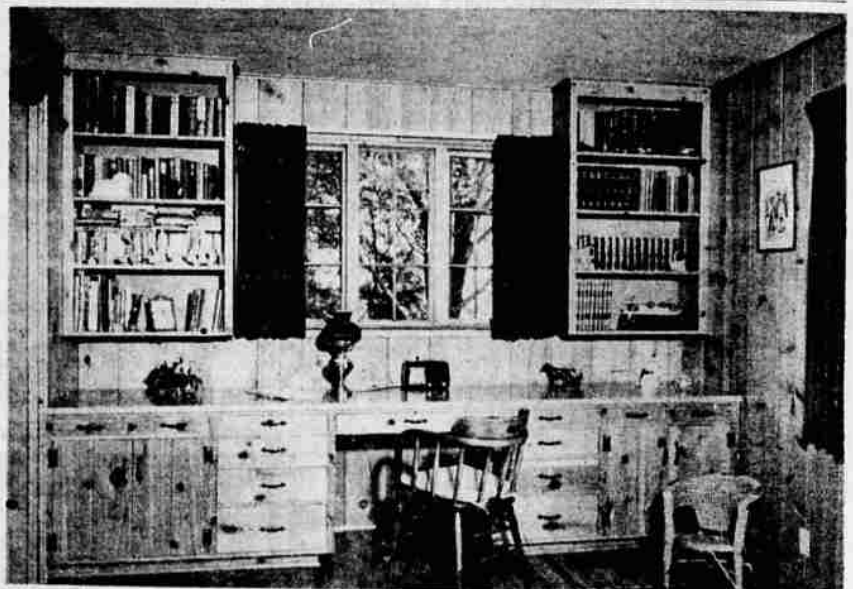
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PANELING FOR A "YOUNG" DECOR — Knotty western pine paneling is particularly appropriate when it is used in a teen-ager's bedroom. It is sturdy and easy to care for and it strikes a note of warm informality. Readily available and easy to work with, it is ideal for walls and built-in units such as this desk-cabinet combination.

Paneling Good Idea For The Teen-Ager's Room

Just as the young child deserves a room all his own, the adoles-

cent needs to have certain features incorporated in his room's decor. What's more, families sometimes find that they can re-vamp the outgrown room with paneling in such a way to help the youngster learn good study habits and a general sense of order and discipline.

An excellent reason for using paneling in a teen-ager's room is that it is as good for creating built-ins as it is for walls. It can serve as the material for building a study area and more and different kinds of storage space.

A really well-designed desk unit helps to make study more palatable, and adequate cupboards, cabinets and closets help a sloppy or careless child to learn neatness and order. Therefore, the sooner you start planning your project the better it is for the whole family.

A spacious built-in desk that runs the length of one wall, for example will afford a large surface area for reading and writing and for laying out school projects. This is particularly appreciated when a student has to spread out a number of reference books.

Drawers below can hold small school supplies and the many loose-leaf binders that don't look very orderly on open shelves. If a dresser is built as an adjunct to the desk unit, its drawers will naturally hold clothes.

Cabinets can also hold many things that don't fit easily into drawers. These can be used to break up a solid front of drawers and can hold football helmets, fishing tackle, an atlas too big

for the bookcase, or a hundred and one other items collected by boys and girls.

The walls of your old room may well need some drastic overhauling. A popular choice is paneling from the western pine region. There are ten species of wood from this area and all come in clear or knotty grades. A boy might choose the informal masculinity of a knotty paneling with a clear finish, and a girl might prefer a clear grade, finished with one of the many commercial stains or homemade effects that can make a room any color of the rainbow.

If you prefer a natural or clear finish that shows the true color of the wood then, of course, you should choose your lumber accordingly. The varieties of wood from the western pine region run from the very light shades of Engelmann spruce and Idaho white pine to the darker shades of incense cedar and inland red cedar, with their reddish tone, and larch. The other species are Douglas fir, white fir, sugar pine, ponderosa pine, and lodgepole pine.

If the wall above the desk has a window you might frame it with book shelves or storage cabinets. If there is no window you can cover the entire wall, mixing your cabinets with open shelves for pattern interest. Such units may rest on the desk top if it is wide enough, or better still, be hung a few feet above it. If you follow the second plan a lighting fixture can be run the entire length of the over-hanging unit. Attach it to the underside of the bottom shelf behind a decorative moulding. Such an arrangement will provide good working light and will supply a good deal of general light for the entire room.

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