# **EARL CARROLL THEATER**

6220-6230 SUNSET BOULEVARD CHC-2016-1612-HCM ENV-2016-1613-CE

# Agenda packet includes:

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- 2. Categorical Exemption
- 3. <u>Under Consideration Staff Recommendation Report</u>
- 4. Nomination

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# Los Angeles Department of City Planning RECOMMENDATION REPORT

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION CASE NO.: CHC-2016-1612-HCM

ENV-2016-1613-CE

**HEARING DATE:** September 1, 2016 Location: 6220 - 6230 Sunset Boulevard

TIME: 10:00 AM Council District: 13

PLACE: City Hall, Room 1010 Community Plan Area: Hollywood 200 N. Spring Street Area Planning Commission: Central

Los Angeles, CA 90012 Neighborhood Council: Central Hollywood

Legal Description: TR 4884 Lots 1-6 and TR 5840

**EXPIRATION DATE:** September 20, 2016

**PROJECT:** Historic-Cultural Monument Application for the

EARL CARROLL THEATER

**REQUEST:** Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument

**OWNER(S):** Essex Portfolio, L.P.

925 E Meadow Dr. Palo Alto, CA 94303

**APPLICANT:** Bob Linder, Essex Property Trust, Inc.

17461 Derian Avenue #110

Irvine, CA 92611

**PREPARER:** ESA PCR

201 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 500

Santa Monica, CA 90401

## **RECOMMENDATION** That the Cultural Heritage Commission:

1. **Declare the subject property** a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7.

2. Adopt the staff report and findings.

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Attachments: Historic-Cultural Monument Application

### **FINDINGS**

- The Earl Carroll Theater "reflects the broad cultural, economic, or social history of the nation, state, or community" as an exceptional and rare remaining example of an entertainment venue in the heart of Hollywood, and for its association with Sunset Boulevard as a significant entertainment center.
- The Earl Carroll Theater "is identified with historic personages or with important events in the main currents of national, state, or local history" as the last remaining theater built by entertainment entrepreneur Earl Carroll.
- The Earl Carroll Theater "embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architecturaltype specimen, inherently valuable for study of a period, style or method of construction," as an excellent example of Streamline Moderne architecture.
- The Earl Carroll Theater is "a notable work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual genius influenced his age" as an important example of a design by the distinguished Southern California architect, Gordon B. Kaufmann.

# **CRITERIA**

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## **DISCUSSION**

The Earl Carroll Theater successfully meets all four of the Historic-Cultural Monument criteria.

The property "reflects the broad cultural, economic, or social history of the nation, state, or community." The Earl Carroll Theater is significant for its association with Hollywood as a center for recreation and entertainment venues. Particularly during the heyday of the Big Band era of the 1940s, venues such as the Earl Carroll Theater were prominent entertainment, dining, and dancing destinations for movie stars and their fans. Tourists arrived in Hollywood in droves hoping to attend a live radio broadcast, visit one of the legendary nightclubs, or catch a glimpse of the stars. Many of the entertainment venues from the same era as the Earl Carroll Theater no longer exist either in Hollywood or on the associated Sunset Strip in West Hollywood; therefore, those that do remain are rare and figure prominently in the context of the built environment of Hollywood.

The Earl Carroll Theater "is identified with historic personages or with important events in the main currents of national, state, or local history." The building was the third, and only still extant, theater built by entertainment entrepreneur, Earl Carroll, who was a key figure on Broadway in the 1920s and in the Hollywood entertainment industry in the 1930s and 1940s. Carroll produced over sixty hit shows and composed more than 400 published songs over the course of his career. The theater that historically bore Carroll's name represents the pinnacle of his many entertainment achievements.

The Earl Carroll Theater also "embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural-type specimen, inherently valuable for study of a period, style, or method of construction." Reflected in both its interior and exterior, the property is an excellent example of a commercial building in the Streamline Moderne style, which is characterized by smooth surfaces, curved corners, long runs of windows, and sweeping horizontal lines. Of note are the following character-defining features:

### Exterior

- Rectangular massing and footprint
- Reinforced concrete construction
- Three-bay porte-cochère
- Two rows of ribbon windows with steel frames on west elevation

#### Interior

- Spatial arrangement of entrance lobby
- o Floor-to-ceiling mirrors along south wall in lobby
- o Tear-drop shaped podium sheathed in black structural glass with figural sculpture
- Fluted columns constructed of glass and plexi tubing with brass tubes encircling the capitals in lobby
- Two lobby bar areas featuring wall of mirrors and etched glass murals
- Fluted lighting well and brass decorative ceiling features
- Grand, imperial staircase leading to the restrooms flanked by brass handrails and two female figural sculptures on the landing

Furthermore, the Earl Carroll Theater, as a significant work of renowned architect Gordon B. Kaufmann (1888-1949), represents "a notable work of a master builder, designer or architect whose individual genius influenced his age." Over the more than twenty years that he practiced in Los Angeles, Kaufmann proved himself to be a highly distinguished local architect who designed some of the most well-known buildings in Southern California, including the Times Mirror Press building (1931); the monumental *Los Angeles Times* building (1931-35); the Santa Anita

Racetrack in Arcadia (1934); and the Hollywood Palladium (1940). Kaufmann's work follows stylistic patterns distinctive to Southern California where Spanish Colonial, Mediterranean, and other period revivals of the 1920s shift towards Art Deco, Streamline Moderne, and Modern styles in the 1930s and '40s. The Earl Carroll Theater is a notable example of Kaufmann's work in the Streamline Moderne style.

# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ("CEQA") FINDINGS

State of California CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 "consists of actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment."

State of California CEQA Guidelines Article 19, Section 15331, Class 31 "consists of projects limited to maintenance, repair, stabilization, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, conservation or reconstruction of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic buildings."

The designation of the Earl Carroll Theater as a Historic-Cultural Monument in accordance with Chapter 9, Article 1, of The City of Los Angeles Administrative Code ("LAAC") will ensure that future construction activities involving the subject property are regulated in accordance with Section 22.171.14 of the LAAC. The purpose of the designation is to prevent significant impacts to a Historic-Cultural Monument through the application of the standards set forth in the LAAC. Without the regulation imposed by way of the pending designation, the historic significance and integrity of the subject property could be lost through incompatible alterations and new construction and the demolition of an irreplaceable historic site/open space. The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation are expressly incorporated into the LAAC and provide standards concerning the historically appropriate construction activities which will ensure the continued preservation of the subject property.

The use of Categorical Exemption Class 8 in connection with the proposed designation is consistent with the goals of maintaining, restoring, enhancing, and protecting the environment through the imposition of regulations designed to prevent the degradation of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

The use of Categorical Exemption Class 31 in connection with the proposed designation is consistent with the goals relating to the preservation, rehabilitation, restoration and reconstruction of historic buildings and sites in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

Categorical Exemption ENV-2016-1613-CE was prepared on August 15, 2016.

## **BACKGROUND**

On July 7, 2016 the Cultural Heritage Commission voted to take the property under consideration. On July 28, a subcommittee of the Commission consisting of Commissioners Barron and Irvine visited the property, accompanied by staff members from the Office of Historic Resources.

COUNTY CLERK'S USE

## CITY OF LOS ANGELES

CITY CLERK'S USE

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK 200 NORTH SPRING STREET, ROOM 360 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(California Environmental Quality Act Section 15062)

Filing of this form is optional. If filed, the form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 E. Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152 (b), Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21167 (d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file this notice with the County Clerk results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days. LEAD CITY AGENCY COUNCIL DISTRICT City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning 13 PROJECT TITLE LOG REFERENCE Earl Carroll Theater ENV-2016-1613-CE CHC-2016-1612-HCM PROJECT LOCATION 6220-6230 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90028 DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT: Designation of Earl Carroll Theater as an Historic-Cultural Monument. NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT, IF OTHER THAN LEAD CITY AGENCY: CONTACT PERSON AREA CODE ITELEPHONE NUMBER EXT. Melissa Jones 213 978-1192 EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One) STATE CEQA GUIDELINES CITY CEQA GUIDELINES MINISTERIAL Sec. 15268 Art. II, Sec. 2b **DECLARED EMERGENCY** Sec. 15269 Art. II, Sec. 2a (1) **EMERGENCY PROJECT** Sec. 15269 (b) & (c) Art. II, Sec. 2a (2) & (3) CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION Sec. 15300 et seg. Art. III, Sec. 1 8 & 31 Category (City CEQA Guidelines) OTHER (See Public Resources Code Sec. 21080 (b) and set forth state and City guideline provision. JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION: Article 19. Section 15308, Class 8 of the State's Guidelines applies to where project's consists of "actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment." Class 31 applies "to maintenance, repair, stabilization, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, or reconstruction of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Buildings." Designation of the Earl Carroll Theater as an Historic-Cultural Monument will assure the protection of the environment by the enactment of project review regulations based on the Secretary of Interior's Standards to maintain and preserve the historic site. IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT STATING THAT

SIGNATURE FEE:	TITLE	ng Assistant	DATE August 15, 2016	
FEE:	RECEIPT NO.	REC'D. BY	DATE	
DISTRIBUTION: (1) Cour	nty Clerk (2) City Clerk (3) Agency	Pecord		

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THE DEPARTMENT HAS FOUND THE PROJECT TO BE EXEMPT.

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#### That the Cultural Heritage Commission: RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Take the property under consideration as a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.10 because the application and accompanying photo documentation suggest the submittal warrants further investigation.
- 2. **Adopt** the report findings.

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## **FINDINGS**

Based on the facts set forth in the summary and application, the Commission determines that the application is complete and that the property may be significant enough to warrant further investigation as a potential Historic-Cultural Monument.

# HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT



# **NOMINATION FORM**

## 1. PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION

Proposed Monument Name:									
Other Associated Names:									
Street Address:				Zip:		Counc	Council District:		
Range of Addresses on Property:				Commun	Community Name:				
Assessor Parcel Number:		Tract:			Block:		Lot:		
Identification cont'd:									
Proposed Monument Property Type:	Building	Structure	Obje	ect	Site/Open	Space	Natural Feature		
Describe any additional resources loc	ated on the p	property to be included	in the nomina	tion, here:					

### 2. CONSTRUCTION HISTORY & CURRENT STATUS

Year built:	Factual	Estimated	Threatened?	
Architect/Designer:			Contractor:	
Original Use:			Present Use:	
Is the Proposed Monument on its O	riginal Site?	Yes	No (explain in section 7)	Unknown (explain in section 7)

# 3. STYLE & MATERIALS

Architectural Style	:		Stories:	Plan Shape:		
FEATURE	PRIMARY		SE	CONDARY		
CONSTRUCTION	Туре:	Туре	:			
CLADDING	Material:	Material:				
ROOF	Туре:		Type:			
KOOF	Material:	Material:				
WINDOWS	Туре:	Туре:				
WINDOWS	Material:	Material:				
ENTRY	ENTRY Style:			Style:		
DOOR	Туре:	Type:				

# HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT



# NOMINATION FORM

# 4. ALTERATION HISTORY

List date and write a brief description of any major alterations or additions. This see Include copies of permits in the nomination packet. Make sure to list any major alte	
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5. EXISTING HISTORIC RESOURCE IDENTIFICATION (if known)	
Listed in the National Register of Historic Places	
Listed in the California Register of Historical Resources	
Formally determined eligible for the National and/or California Registers	
Located in an Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ)	Contributing feature  Non-contributing feature
Determined eligible for national, state, or local landmark status by an historic resources survey(s)	Survey Name(s):
Other historical or cultural resource designations:	

# 6. APPLICABLE HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT CRITERIA

The propose	ed monument exemplifies the following Cultural Heritage Ordinance Criteria (Section 22.171.7):
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# HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT



State:

# NOMINATION FORM

#### 7. WRITTEN STATEMENTS

This section allows you to discuss at length the significance of the proposed monument and why it should be designated an Historic-Cultural Monument. Type your response on separate documents and attech them to this form.

- **A. Proposed Monument Description** Describe the proposed monument's physical characteristics and relationship to its surrounding environment. Expand on sections 2 and 3 with a more detailed description of the site. Expand on section 4 and discuss the construction/alteration history in detail if that is necessary to explain the proposed monument's current form. Identify and describe any character-defining elements, structures, interior spaces, or landscape features.
- **B. Statement of Significance** Address the proposed monument's historic, cultural, and/or architectural significance by discussing how it satisfies the HCM criteria you selected in Section 6. You must support your argument with substantial evidence and analysis. The Statement of Significance is your main argument for designation so it is important to substantiate any claims you make with supporting documentation and research.

### 8. CONTACT INFORMATION

**Applicant** 

Name:

Zip:

Street Address:

Phone Number:

Name:	Company:					
Street Address:		City:			State:	
Zip:	Phone Number:		Email:			
Property Owner	Is the owner in	support of the i	nomination?	Yes No	o U	nknowr
Name:		Company:				
Street Address:		City:			State:	
Zip:	Phone Number:		Email:			
Nomination Preparer/Appl	icant's Representative					

Company:

Email:

City:

Office of Historic Resources/Cultural Heritage Commission

# HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT



# NOMINATION FORM

#### 9. SUBMITTAL

When you have completed preparing your nomination, compile all materials in the order specified below. Although the entire packet must not exceed 100 pages, you may send additional material on a CD or flash drive.

#### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Nomination Form
- 2. Written Statements A and B
- 3. Bibliography
- Two Primary Photos of Exterior/Main Facade (8x10, the main photo of the proposed monument. Also email a digitial copy of the main photo to: planning.ohr@lacity.org)
- 5. Copies of Primary/Secondary Documentation
- Copies of Building Permits for Major Alterations (include first construction permits)
- 7. Additional, Contemporary Photos
- 8. / Historical Photos
- Zimas Parcel Report for all Nominated Parcels (including map)

### 10. RELEASE

Please read each statement and check the corresponding boxes to indicate that you agree with the statement, then sign below in the provided space. Either the applicant or preparer may sign.

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I acknowledge that all documents submitted will become public records under the California Public Records Act, and understand that the documents will be made available upon request to members of the public for inspection and copying.

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I acknowledge that all photographs and images submitted as part of this application will become the property of the City of Los Angeles, and understand that permission is granted for use of the photographs and images by the City without any expectation of compensation.

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I acknowledge that I have the right to submit or have obtained the appropriate permission to submit all information contained in this application.

MARGARITA JERABEK,

Date

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Mail your Historic-Cultural Monument Submittal to the Office of Historic Resources.

Office of Historic Resources
Department of City Planning
200 N. Spring Street, Room 620
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Phone: 213-978-1200 Website: preservation.lacity.org

## A. Proposed Monument Description

## **Summary**

The Earl Carroll Theater ("ECT") Building's design, architectural styling, and materials embody the qualities of the Moderne style popular from the 1920s to the 1940s. Influenced by Art Deco and industrial design. Moderne style commonly used forms inspired by technology and the machine, including curves, horizontal detailing, asymmetrical facades, long runs of windows, and smooth concrete with groove detailing. The ECT Building was built using reinforced concrete construction to create smooth, unadorned walls broken on the north and east elevation by vertical grooves designed to hold zeon tube lighting elements (later removed), creating an exterior expressive of the Moderne style. The placement of the three-bay steel porte-cochère on the west elevation creates an asymmetrical north façade facing Sunset Boulevard. The marquees and piers of the porte-cochère extend across a portion of the north elevation, with the piers separated by two large glass windows, serving to connect the main building to the porte-cochère and add to the asymmetrical effect. The elongated curve of the marquee along the porte-cochère's roofline and the semi-circular curb planters fronting the piers are in keeping with the streamlined machine aesthetic typical of the Moderne style. The double row of ribbon windows on the west elevation above the porte-cochère is also common to the style, which often incorporated long runs of windows, and also serves to add horizontal emphasis (another trait of the Moderne style) to the building. Significant and contributing character-defining features are identified within the architectural description where appropriate, with a detailed list and description of the significant character-defining spaces and features provided following the architectural description.

### **Architectural Description**

The existing building faces Sunset Boulevard to the north. It is situated on a high traffic portion of Sunset Boulevard consisting of primarily commercial, office, and entertainment uses. The massive building is constructed of reinforced concrete with a rectangular footprint and an arched truss roof surrounded by a parapet. The reinforced concrete construction, rectangular massing and footprint, arched truss roof, and roof parapet are all significant character-defining features. The ECT Building is characterized by its flat surfaces and exhibits simple vertical linear detailing in the Moderne style on the front (north) facade. The significant character-defining elevations are the north, west and east facades. The most historically recognizable detail on the exterior of the building is a concrete and steel single-story porte-cochère, a significant character-defining feature, with a thin steel marquee, which is supported by a series of five columns. There are two parallel bands of steel ribbon windows near the northwest corner of the building on the west elevation. These features are characteristic of the Moderne style and are significant character-defining features.

While the massing and footprint of the building are rectilinear, the interior design places heavy emphasis on the use of streamlined curves from the shape of the walls to the design of the handrails. The significant character-defining spaces that retain relatively high integrity include the lobby entry, entrance to the main lobby, main lobby passageway, east and west lobby bar areas, and imperial staircase to the second-floor. The lobby entry is the first area of the building for those

arriving through the main entrance. The lobby entry is spatially intact, and includes a tear-drop shaped ticket counter flanked by two sets of stairs leading to the main lobby. The tear-drop shape is a commonly used form of the Moderne style. The stairs are flanked by black structural glass with a scalloped edge, and though the original curved handrails have been replaced with straight rails, most of the original circular handrail fasteners remain. The pressed metal ceiling, lighting fixtures, and ticket counter skirting have all been replaced. The south wall that is covered with floor-to-ceiling mirrors has been replaced in-kind.

The main lobby is located up the stairs from the entryway. At the top of the stairs the narrow backend of the tear-drop ticket counter forms the pedestal for the *Goddess of Light* sculpture designed by Martin Deutsch. The spatial arrangement of the lobby passage remains intact (except for the south wall addition), but many of the finishes have been replaced. The lobby passage features curved walls and a multi-story ceiling. A Streamline Moderne-style fluted lighting well is located on the underside of the low ceiling above the grand staircase and below the smoke colored mirrors. Brass Streamline Moderne-style decorative ceiling features flank the fluted light element and are also attached to the top of the columns.

Two bar areas are located along the north wall of the lobby and are visually separated from the lobby by a row of fluted columns and low-ceiling. The bars are concave in shape and include black painted wood and brass finishes (these are possible replacements that replicate originals). The columns are constructed of glass and play tubing with two brass tubes encircling the capital as decorative elements which add an industrial touch in keeping with the Moderne's emphasis on technology and the machine-age. Two etched glass murals featuring nude women are located at the west end of the western bar and east end of the eastern bar.

The two bar areas are separated by the imperial staircase, a significant-character defining feature, leading to the upstairs women and men lounges and bathrooms. The imperial staircase remains largely intact and retains the spatial layout. Replacements include the artwork at the central landing, the lobby-side handrails on the upper portion of the staircase, and the finish on the scalloped bases of the handrails. The staircase divides and leads to separate lounges and restrooms for women and men. Both lounge and bathroom areas retain their spatial arrangement, both featuring circular plans and curved walls, however, the majority of the finishes and all furnishings and fixtures have been replaced. Therefore, as secondary spaces with compromised integrity the lounge and bathroom area are contributing, rather than significant, character-defining features.

The overall spatial arrangement of the dining room and stage has been maintained, but substantial alterations to the original design have changed the design, feel, materials, and features of the space. Therefore this space is classified as a contributing feature only. Originally the dining room opened up onto the lobby without a partition, but in later years the lobby area was walled off. In 1952, wood stud non-bearing partitions were also installed between the lobby and dining room, and later in 1981 a new theater sound wall was installed that is now the wall separating the lobby from the main theater and stage. In 1990, the terraced floor was covered to raise the entire floor to stage level. Currently, the original floor and stage are covered with a secondary flooring system. The attached floor seating is now covered and has likely been removed. Below this new floor the

original stage machinery for the various lifts and revolving elements remains intact, but is no longer operational. Since the machinery is no longer functional and is typically not visible, it is considered a contributing feature only. The original and unique fluorescent stalactite ceiling was also removed to expose the wood trusses of the roof structure above. A portion of the eastern side of the dining room space at stage level has been enclosed to create the Green Room and Hair and Make-up Room. The finishes have been replaced, but the rooms maintain the convex walls of the original diningroom space. Therefore these two rooms are contributing, but not significant spaces.

The original secondary staircases remain and are contributing features. A back staircase in the southeast corner of the building leads up from the stage to the second and third floor dressing rooms. The dressing rooms retain their original spatial arrangement as well as original wood floors, wood baseboards, and wood molding around the doorways. Therefore, the dressing rooms are private contributing spaces and only retain the curved wall of the original rooms. A set of stairs from the north side of the lobby allow access to the second floor offices. An additional U-shape staircase leads to the third floor office suite. On both office floors the general spatial plan and distinctive convex walls remain intact. Some wood baseboards are original on the second floor indicating the location of original walls, while the third floor offices (where Earl Carroll's own office was located) retain original wood baseboards, wood molding around doorways, and observational windows looking out on the theater (now covered). Due to substantial alterations to the offices, they are considered contributing spaces only.

# **Construction History**

After Carroll's death in 1948, only one building permit was issued before the theater was closed. The permit was for the construction of metal storage facilities on the property. After Frank Hofues purchased the property, he repaved the parking lot to the west of the ECT Building with asphalt in 1951. Hofues leased the building to CBS, and the new tenants made substantial alterations to the interior to make it usable as studio space, which in turn compromised the integrity of the dining room and stage. In 1952, they erected a steel framework for lights over the stage, put in a camera platform, extended the stage by 1,200 square feet, added a portable control room, and erected a new neon sign. Wood stud non-bearing partitions were also installed in 1952, creating separation between the lobby and the dining room. Based on an undated photograph from the Moulin Rouge years, the space between the studs remained unfilled, so the separation was fairly minimal. The following year, they relocated a building on the property, presumably one of the metal storage structures, as the theater remained in place.

When Frank Sennes took over and reinstated the building's original use as a dinner-theater in 1953, he also made various changes to the ECT Building. He put up a new neon sign during his first year of ownership. In the second year he cut a 9'x11' hole in the building's south wall, raised the floor, and installed a non-illuminated board measuring 23'x12'3" on a wall. An interior track addition was made in 1955.

Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, Building Permit Number 13016, August 5, 1951.

During the Hullabaloo years, two neon signs were installed on the roof and canopy, measuring 13'x30' and 13'x16', respectively, in 1965. Three years later, owner Joseph Statcher made a number of alterations to the interior and exterior. He replaced two doors with glass, installed a non-illuminated 19 square-foot wall sign on the building's primary elevation, refurbished the box office, installed draft stops at the roof truss, added 110 linear feet of non-load-bearing wall partitions, made structural alternations to hang a stage curtain, and added two awning signs measuring 17'x22' and 5'x8'. Based on historic photographs, the zeon image of Beryl Wallace and the celebrity signboards on the exterior were removed sometime between 1965 and 1970.<sup>2</sup> Also in 1968, Joseph Stacher applied for a building permit to "use land [to the west of the ECT Building] for parking lot," however, these improvements are not described.<sup>3</sup>

In 1969, air conditioning was added to the dressing rooms, and the following year the ECT Building was reroofed with felt and cap sheet placed over the existing roofing materials. In 1975 repairs were made to roof trusses #1, #2, and #5. Trusses #1 and #5 required repair again in 1976, and that same year, wall signs, a steel aluminum frame, and surface plexi were installed. In 1977, a 11'x25' sign was installed on the primary façade.

A new theater sound wall was installed under the ownership of the Center Theater Group in 1981. It is likely that this is the wall now separating the lobby from the main theater and stage, replacing the wood stud partitions put up in 1952 (historic photos on the *Big T.N.T. Show* confirm those partitions remained in place until at least 1966). The last use of the ECT Building for a theater related use was in association with "the New Earl Carroll Theater," which closed in 1984. Sunset Gower Studios subsequently purchased the building in 1984 and converted it to full time use as sound stage for television productions with associated offices. A roof sign, measuring 4'x29', went up in 1985 and five years later a portion of the floor was raised up to be level with the stage.

Changes in 1993 included new restrooms and a new entrance lobby, as well as unspecified changes to the west elevation. That year mechanical equipment platforms were installed and the roof was redone and insulated after the old roof was stripped. A new 18'x23' control room at the rear of the theater near to the lobby was also constructed in 1993. Later that year, when the Chevy Chase Show began filming in the building, a new wall sign was installed.

In 1997, the same year Nickelodeon took over the building, the roof was removed and replaced with four-ply built-up roofing appropriate for a TV studio. In 2002, two 16'x25'frame panel structures were installed on the north elevation. Most recently, a new deck for mechanical equipment was installed by Essex Portfolio, L.P. (Essex Property Trust, Inc.) in 2009. A summary of the major permitted alterations is provided in the Table 1 below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A reproduction of the Beryl Wallace zeon sign is on display at Universal City Walk as part of the collection of the History of Neon Art.

Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, Building Permit Number 77808, November 10, 1968.

Table 1. Major Building Permits for 6230 Sunset (ECT Building)

Issued	Permit#	Owner	Architect	Contractor	Engineer	Valuation	Description
9/1/1938	28015	Inner Circle Corporation	Gordon B. Kaufmann	Ford J. Twaits Co.	Murray E. Erick	5,000	Foundation only - 114'6" x 190'0"
10/14/1938	33943	Inner Circle Corporation	Gordon B. Kaufmann	Ford J. Twaits Co.	Murray E. Erick	120,000	Restaurant (114'6"x190'8"), 3 stories, height 46', reinforced concrete foundation and exterior walls, wood joists floors, compo on wood trusses roof
11/1/1938	38414	Inner Circle Corporation	Gordon B. Kaufmann	Ford J. Twaits Co.	Murray E. Erick	3,500	New canopy addition - as shown on accompanying drawings - #14 and R111 - to building now in course of erection at above address
4/21/1939	15698	Inner Circle Corporation	Gordon B. Kaufmann	Ford J. Twaits Co.	Murray E. Erick	9,000	Add machine room, girl lift, orchestra lift and revolving stage not including in original permit
4/10/1941	9159	Inner Circle Corporation	Gordon B. Kaufmann	John H. Simpson	None	850	Add platform over existing offices for future offices. Add standard fire escape.

Issued	Permit#	Owner	Architect	Contractor	Engineer	Valuation	Description
12/21/1951	23040	Columbia Broadcasting System	None	Illegible	Illegible	3,600	Construct steel framework for lights and suspend over stage below the ceiling. Suspension to extend through the ceiling and to new joist machinery in plane of top chord of trusses.
1/2/1952	23958	Columbia Bro System	adcasting	William Simpson Construction Co.	S.R. Barnes	1,000	Install new wood stud non-bearing partitions as per plans
1/8/1952	23472	Columbia Broadcasting System	None	William Simpson Construction Co.	S.B. Barnes	1,600	Erect camera platform - wood floor joists as per plan. 1,200 sq. ft. extension of stage.
3/6/1952	26186	Columbia Broadcasting System	None	QRS Neon Corp.	None	500	Erect sign (neon) for television studio
12/23/1953	73929	Moulin Rouge Theatre Restaurant	None	Interstate Neon	None	90	New neon sign
3/22/1954	82529	Moulin Rouge Theatre Restaurant	None	Owner	None	100	Cut 9'0" x 11'0" hole in south wall
9/15/1954	96508	Frank K. Sennes	None	Owner	None	1,500	Raise floor

Issued	Permit#	Owner	Architect	Contractor	Engineer	Valuation	Description
9/20/1954	97881	Pacific outdoo company	r advert	Electrical Prod Corp	None	500	Installation of non-illuminated 23' x 12'3" board on wall of building
9/2/1955	24778	Frank Sennes Enterprises	Gordon B Kaufmann	Cost Reduction Equipment Company	E Seguer	2,500	Interior track addition
11/10/1965	8515	Hullabaloo	None	National neon	None	None	13' x 30' sf roof sign, 13' x 16' s.f. roof sign on canopy
2/10/1968	61021	Joseph Stacher	None	Owner	None	200	Replace two doors with glass
3/10/1968	62151	Eido's Limited	Reald	GRS Corporation	None	1,000	19 s.f. wall sign nom-illum. on primary elevation
10/10/1968	76047	Joseph Stacher	Michael Baugh	None	None	500	General refurbishing of box office no structural changes or partitions
11/10/1968	77117	Joseph Stacher	Micheal Baugh	Alpha Const Co	None	300	110 Lineal Feet of Non-Bearing Wall Partitions
11/10/1968	78234	Joseph Stacher	Michael Baugh	Alpha Const Co	None	500	Structural alteration to hang stage curtain
11/20/1968	78200	Stainberg	None	Airflo Awning Co	C.F. Knowlton	None	Two signs: 17x22 awning sign, 5x8 awning collapsible

Issued	Permit#	Owner	Architect	Contractor	Engineer	Valuation	Description
7/9/1970	11927	United Artists	Theater	Aetna Roofing Co	None	2,659	Reroof: 15 lb. felt, 90 lb. capsheet over existing
10/5/1976	33785	Don Alexander	None	Mills Signs	None	5,000	Wall signs, steel alum frame, surface plexi
2/1/1977	39242	Longhorn Theater	None	Russell and Russell	Mackintosh & Mackintosh	1,600	Stages 12'x30'x4' to 6'. 12'x16'x8' for use 2/10/1977
2/1/1977	54157	Aquarius Theater	None	None	James A. Lynch		11'x25' sign installed on primary façade
2/26/1981	19159	Center Theater Group	Ronald L Lohan Assoc	None	None	25,000	New theater sound wall
4/3/1985	9175	None	None	None	None	3,000	Roof sign 4'x29'
2/16/1990	4559	None	None	None	None	45,000	Raise portion of floor to be level with stage
4/21/1993	4353	Dick Vanoff	None	Owner	Mackintosh & Mackintosh	30,000	New toilet rooms and entrance lobby. Size of addition is 10'9" x 54'8" and 540 square feet on west elevation just south of primary entrance
5/6/1993	22341	Pick-Vanoff, Inc.	None	Owner	Mackintosh & Mackintosh	21,000	Mechanical equipment platforms, reroof with class B min (strip old roof) and insulate

Issued	Permit#	Owner	Architect	Contractor	Engineer	Valuation	Description
6/25/1993	6926	Pico-Vanoff	None	Owner	Mackintosh & Mackintosh	1,000	Install new 18' x 23' control room at rear oft theater near lobby
8/11/1993	13856	Chevy Chase Theater	None	Carey Sign Graphics	None	1,200	Wall sign
12/3/1997	20550	Gower Studios	None	Espinoza Roofing	None	54,000	Tear off existing and reroof with 4 ply built-up roofing for TV studio.
6/24/2002	29614	Pico-Vanoff Company	Tyko Tako, Hung Wu	Jackson Ka-	None	2,525	Install two (2) 16' wide x 25' high frame panel structures as an architectural feature to the front of building (north elevation)
11/25/2009	09014- 10000- 03778	Essex Portfolio LP			James Bradley Bowden	10,000	New deck for mechanical equipment only at an existing 3-story studio, 192 sq. ft. (area under the deck is also for mechanical equipment platform only)

# Significant Character-Defining Features

The character-defining features analysis presented below is a detailed summary of existing primary architectural elements, features, materials, finishes and spaces that presently contribute to the eligibility of the ECT Building as a historical resource dating from the primary period of significance (1938) and secondary period of significance (1938-1948). To determine the significant character defining features, an intensive field survey was undertaken of both the exterior and interior of the ECT Building utilizing the survey methodology of the State OHP. The ECT building was documented

through photographs and notes during the survey. Site-specific research was conducted utilizing building permits, assessor's records, Sanborn fire insurance maps, historical photographs, Online Archive of California, Bison Archives, USC Digital Collections, historical *Los Angeles Times*, and other published sources. Additional research was conducted at the City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety and Hollywood Heritage. Through in-depth analysis of the survey and research results, the significant character-defining features were selected based upon their high integrity, visual prominence, and contributions to the overall historic character of the ECT Building.

The **significant** character-defining features of the ECT Building are listed below. While contributing and non-contributing features were also identified, only the primary significant character-defining features are included in the nomination as these are the features that must be retained for the ECT building to be eligible as a historical resource. Compared to primary character-defining spaces, contributing spaces are not as visually prominent, usually back of the house spaces that have been altered, and/or retain moderate to low integrity. Text (in italics) specifies non-contributing alterations/additions. The methodology utilized in this analysis generally follows National Park Service's ("NPS") guidance provided in Preservation Brief 17, *Architectural Character: Identifying the Visual Aspects of Historic Buildings as an Aid to Their Preservation,* which primarily applies to application of the Standards rather than integrity thresholds, although the classification methods are pertinent for this analysis. According to the NPS, "character refers to all those visual aspects and physical features that comprise the appearance of every historic building. Character-defining elements include the overall shape of the building, its materials, craftsmanship, decorative details, interior spaces and features, as well as the various aspects of its site and environment."<sup>4</sup>

# **Exterior Significant Character-Defining Features**

# **Massing and Construction**

- Rectangular massing and footprint
- Convex arched truss roof
- Parapet around the roof perimeter
- Reinforced concrete construction

(There are two non-contributing additions: 550 square-foot addition for toilet rooms and entrance on the west elevation just south of the primary entrance added in 1993; 7,022 square foot addition on the rear elevation, date unknown)



North and West Elevations, View Southeast

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Lee H. Nelson, Preservation Brief 17: Architectural Character—Identifying the Visual Aspects of Historic Buildings as an Aid to Preserving their Character, National Park Service, September 1988, http://www.nps.gov/tps/how-to-preserve/briefs/17-architectural-character.htm, accessed 6/04/2013.

# **West Elevation**

- Smooth, unadorned painted concrete walls
- The two rows of ribbon windows with steel frames
- Primary openings into lobby on the west elevation underneath porte-cochère (alteration: doors are later replacements)

(Non-contributing additions/alterations: fire escape added in 1941 by architect Kaufmann detracts from the original design of the ribbon windows; 550 square-foot addition for toilet rooms and entrance on the west elevation just south of the primary entrance added in 1993; 7,022 square foot addition on the rear elevation does not appear on 1955 Sanborn Map, but is shown on a 1972 historical aerial, therefore constructed between 1955 and 1972; parking kiosk circa 1950s to the west of the porte-cochère; the ticket window adjacent to the primary entrance has been altered; a single-doorway in the location of the 1993 addition has been removed.)



West Elevation, View East



West Elevation, View Southeast



West Elevation, (Firescape is a contributing addition from 1941), View East



Primary opening on West Elevation Underneath Porte-Cochère, (Doors are replacements, date unknown and security gates to north are additions, date unknown), View East

## **North Elevation**

- Smooth concrete walls with eight vertical groves that were formerly used for zeon tubes (alteration: zeon removed). This treatment wraps around the corner onto the side (east) elevation.
- Two window openings on north elevation near west corner are original (alteration: windows have been replaced). The piers between the window openings are original (resheathed in brick and the stylized metal). There is original concrete curbing running in front of the windows and piers. The concrete curbing forms semi-circular planters in-front of the piers
- Secondary entrance with concrete awning on the east end of the primary (north) elevation.

(Alteration: metal fence)



North and East Elevation, View Southwest



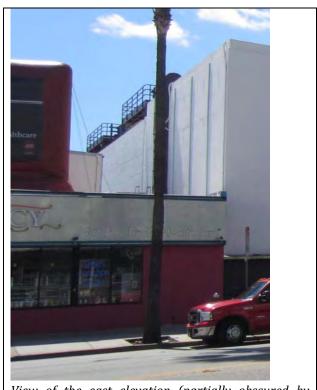
North Elevation, View Southwest



North Elevation, View Southeast

# **East Elevation**

- Smooth painted concrete walls
- The north portion of the east elevation has smooth concrete walls with vertical groves that were formerly used for zeon tubes (*removed*) and the rear portion of the wall steps down and is board-formed concrete.



View of the east elevation (partially obscured by adjacent building), view southwest

### Porte-Cochère

- Three-bay steel porte-cochère extending from the west elevation.
- Canopy is supported by three square columns and three engaged columns in the front and an additional three columns plus one engaged column in the back (alteration: re-sheathed in brick and metal decorative panels on three north columns are alterations). In front of the ten columns are semi-circular planters with concrete curbs. The front edge of the canopy is sheathed in metal and has a marquee (non-original, replication of the original). The marque stretches beyond the porte-cochère onto the primary elevation past two window bays on the primary elevation (non-contributing additions/alterations include security gates and security/parking kiosk).



Porte Cochere, View Southeast



Porte-cochère, View South



# **Interior Significant Character-Defining Features**

# **Lobby Entry**

 Spatial arrangement remains intact and includes lobby entry with low ceiling, two sets of stairs flanking semi-circular counter and podium, and entrance to secondary office on south wall with original wood door frame.

- Terrazzo on entrance lobby floor and stairs (*not from original construction 1938, may have attained significance as an alteration during the 1950s*)
- Lighting well in middle of low ceiling (alterations: Streamline Moderne style lighting well cover and pressed metal ceiling finish). The ceiling opens up into the main lobby at the podium/stairs and has a semi-circular opening.
- Black structural glass wall and attached fluted column with decorative ceiling molding north of entrance. Second fluted column attached to north of stair wall. There is a coved ceiling behind both fluted columns.
- South wall covered with floor-to-ceiling mirrors (*replaced-in-kind*).
- Tear-drop shaped podium with figural sculpture signed by Martin Deutsch surmounting east end (alteration: zeon removed). The north and south sides of the podium are sheathed in black structural glass with a scalloped edge and have original circular handrail fasteners (alteration: handrails replaced). The west end of the podium has a semi-circular canopy covered with brass (alterations: closet doors, sheathing of the front counter).
- The walls of the stairways are sheathed with black structure glass finished with a scalloped design (*alteration: handrail is a replacement*).

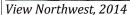
(Alterations: pressed metal ceiling, lighting fixture, ticket counter skirting replaced)



View East, 2014

View Northeast, 2014







Black structural glass wall and attached fluted column north of entrance, 2014



South Wall, View South, 2014

# **Entrance to Main Lobby**

- Female figural sculpture signed by Martin Deutsch rising from the east end of the foot-ball shaped podium into the main lobby space (alteration: zeon removed). The ceiling is high and the west wall is convex to frame the sculpture.
- Structural glass panels frame the entrance to the stairway and foyer

(Alterations: wallpaper and paint finishes, display cases, telephone booth)



# **Main Lobby Passageway**

- Spatial arrangement remains generally intact; *however, the lobby's south wall is an addition* (alteration). The existing main lobby originally connected the theater sitting area to the two existing bars and stairway to the second-floor restrooms/lounges.
- Concave north wall (alteration: finishes).
- The two lobby bar areas are visually separated from the lobby by a row of fluted columns and low-ceiling.
- High-ceiling.
- Smoke colored mirrors on the curved wall above stairway to second-floor restrooms/lounges (alteration: all other finishes have been replaced)
- Streamline Moderne-style fluted lighting well located on the underside of the low ceiling above the grand staircase and below the smoke colored mirrors. Brass Streamline Moderne-style decorative ceiling features flank the fluted light element and are also attached to the top of the columns (alteration: the western brass decorative feature is missing a piece)



View East, 2014



Streamline Moderne Lighting Well above Grand Staircase and Brass Decorative Ceiling Features, View Northeast, 2014



Streamline Moderne Lighting Well above Grand Staircase and Brass Decorative Ceiling Features, View Northeast, 2014



Brass Decorative Ceiling Features near Column just east of stairway, 2014



Brass Decorative Ceiling Feature near Column just west of stairway, 2014

# **East and West Lobby Bar Areas**

- Two lobby bar areas (east and west) bisected by a stairway and visually separated from the lobby by a row of fluted columns and low ceiling.
- The bars are concave in plan and have a black painted wood countertop, wood veneer skirting sectioned by brass vertical elements, and brass foot rail (these are possible replacements that replicate originals).
- The columns are constructed of glass and plexi tubing with two brass tubes encircling the capital.
- Wall of mirrors behind the bar above service counter-top and storage. Two etched glass murals featuring nude women at the west end of the western bar and east end of the eastern bar.



View of Western and Eastern Bar Areas, View Northeast, 2014

Western Bar Area, 2014



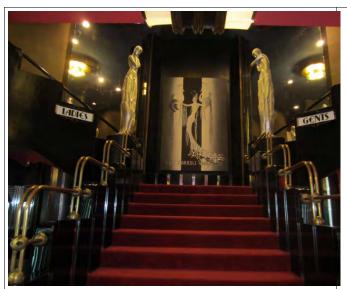
Western Bar Area Etched Glass Artwork, 2014

Eastern Bar Area Etched Glass Artwork, 2014

Eastern Bar Area, View East, 2014

# Imperial Staircase to Second-Floor Restroom/Lounges

- Imperial staircase flanked by stepped curvilinear Streamline Moderne brass handrails leads to a landing where staircases branch to the east and west leading to the respective women's and men's restrooms.
- Two fluted columns frame the base of the stairway (alteration: the black sheathing on the base of the columns are not original, originally they were sheathed in wood veneer).
- Two figural sculptures of women by Willy Pogany flank the staircase landing (alteration: the central etched artwork is a replacement).



Imperial Staircase, View North, 2014



View of Figural Sculptures, 2014



View of Imperial Staircase, View Northwest, 2014

#### **B.** Statement of Significance

#### Summary

In 1938, the Earl Carroll Theater ("ECT") Building was designed by Los Angeles master architect Gordon B. Kaufmann (1888-1949) with interiors by talented designer Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky (1901-1964) and/or notable architect/designer Frank Don Riha (1899-1957). Sakhnoffsky completed at least three drawings of both the interior and the porte-cochère prior to the commencement of construction. He was an early proponent of the Streamline Moderne style, which he incorporated into his numerous and varied design projects. Most well-known for his automobile designs, Sakhnoffsky's three black and white drawings of the Earl Carroll Theater feature a car and a highly stylized streamlined aesthetic. Although the porte-cochère ultimately resembled Sakhnoffsky's drawings very little, the interior views, especially that of the ceiling of the theater, are very similar to the original construction. Frank Don Riha, who went on to work with Gordon B. Kauffman on the Palladium Theater, was an architect and interior designer. His primary contribution to the Palladium was in the matter of light decoration, especially the "star-dust" ceiling. Riha is also sometimes listed as the interior designer for the ECT Building, and a period show program reveals that he designed the "zeon" (early type of neon) portrait of Beryl Wallace that formerly graced the north elevation of the building.

Visual inspection and historical research indicates that the exterior of the ECT Building has undergone some alterations over the years. Despite these alterations, it retains a high level of architectural integrity in its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. As determined through this evaluation, the ECT Building is eligible under the criteria of the Los Angeles Cultural Heritage Ordinance (Los Angeles Administrative Code, Section 22.130) as a Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument (HCM). Additionally, the ECT Building is eligible under criteria A, B, and C of the National Register, criteria 1, 2, and 3 of the California Register of Historical Resources (California Register). The ECT Building is significant historically for its association with a pattern of events regarding the development of luxury nightclubs in Hollywood; with Earl Carroll as a person who is important to local, California, and/or national history; and architecturally, as an excellent example of Moderne architecture and a representative work of architect Gordon B. Kaufmann. The period of significance for architecture is 1938, the date of construction. The period of significance for history extends from its construction in 1938 to Earl Carroll's untimely death in a 1948 plane crash.

#### **Historic Context**

#### 1. Entertainment in Hollywood

The growth of the entertainment industry in Hollywood from the 1920s to the 1950s was clearly reflected in the development of its numerous entertainment venues, which include movie theaters, live

Design Postcards, 1938, Hollywood Heritage, signature of Alexis de Sakhnoffsky

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Earl Carroll Theatre Restaurant Hollywood, 10<sup>th</sup> Year." The Playaoer.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Frank Riha, Architect, Dies at 58," Los Angeles Times (February 19, 1957): 21.

entertainment shows, nightclubs, sporting arenas and restaurants. These venues ranged in scale from intimate restaurants to large nightclubs, several of which, like the ECT Building, the Hollywood Legion Stadium, and the Hollywood Palladium, accommodated crowds of thousands. As the local "Main Street," Hollywood Boulevard as well as nearby Sunset Boulevard became highly desirable addresses for fans seeking exclusive entertainment opportunities and the experience of Hollywood glamour. Studios and publicists likewise found these venues ideal for promoting their motion picture stars. These venues often incorporated high design in a variety of popular styles, such as Art Deco and Moderne, to communicate a glamorous, elite image to their patrons. Today in Hollywood, few of these venues still exist. Because of their scarcity and significant contribution to the social and cultural history of Hollywood, these remaining venues comprise a unique local architectural typology.

#### 2. Earl Carroll (1892-1948)

Born in Pittsburgh, Earl Carroll (1892-1948) led an adventurous life as a composer, producer, director, songwriter, and impresario in New York and Hollywood. Carroll left home at the age of seventeen and traveled the world as a ship stowaway. After the death of his father in 1912, he took a position as a staff writer for a New York publishing company where he began writing songs that earned him recognition, and later served in the US Army Air Force during World War I. After World War I, he built a theater in New York City at 7th Avenue and 49th Street, naming it after himself. In 1923, he produced the first "Earl Carroll Vanities" to rival Ziegfeld's Follies and George White's Scandals. He achieved fame as the producer and director of Broadway revues, in particular, the "Earl Carroll Vanities," which featured popular songs and showgirls in extravagant, often minimal, costumes. According to biographer Ken Murray, Carroll, nicknamed "Troubadour of the Nude," invented "pasties" in order for his scantily clad showgirls to circumvent obscenity laws. In 1926, Carroll paid Peggy Hopkins Joyce, a famous New York showgirl, to disrobe on stage in a bathtub of champagne at an after-hours party, which got him six months in federal prison. The 1929 stock market crash hurt the success of his theater, so Carroll began to produce shows for the road. In 1933, Carroll accepted Paramount's invitation to produce the 1934 film "Murders at the Vanities," which featured Beryl Wallace. Because of Carroll's success in Hollywood he received financial support from Jessie Schuyler, widow of wealthy Beverly Hills banker-real estate agent, Walter Farnum Schuyler, to construct his Hollywood Theater in 1938. He continued to produce over 60 Broadway musicals and films and wrote numerous Broadway stage scores. Carroll died aboard a commercial airliner crash in June 1948 along with his companion and star performer, Beryl Wallace.

#### Original Construction (1938)

The ECT Building was designed in the Moderne style by prominent Los Angeles master architect Gordon B. Kaufmann and constructed by the Ford J. Twaits Company in 1938. The structural engineer was Murray E. Erick. The interior design is attributed to both Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky and Frank Don Riha, who were notable highly talented designers. Sakhnoffsky is known to have completed drawings for the buildings entrance, dining room, and reservation counter in 1938, shortly before construction began on the theater. However, apart from the dining room ceiling, the theater ultimately resembled Sakhnoffsky's drawings very little.

At the time of its completion, the *Los Angeles Times* declared the ECT Building was the "first of its kind in the nation." The building originally housed an opulent theater-restaurant complex that once featured a large, 24-foot zeon sign on the north (front) façade proclaiming "Thru these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world," and a face, also rendered in zeon, of Mr. Carroll's companion, Beryl Wallace, was located on the north façade (altered, zeon sign removed). The zeon portrait was designed by architect and interior designer Frank Don Riha and executed by the Electrical Products Corporation. Introduced by the General Eclectic Company and Claude Neon Electrical Products Corporation in June of 1938, zeon was a new lighting tube touted as having a low current consumption, it was available in a multitude of colors, and flexible enough to highlight architectural designs and create intricate designs. The inner wall of the glass tube was coated by powdered fluorescent crystals that were activated by invisible ultra-violet or black-light radiation that in turn caused the fluorescent coating to glow with extreme brilliance.

Because the ECT Building was located on Sunset Boulevard, the main thoroughfare of the entertainment district in Hollywood, the ECT Building catered to the automobile. To the west of the ECT Building, were a porte-cochère, surface parking lot, and low brick wall fronting the northern property line. The zeon lights emblazing the porte-cochère and ECT Building were designed to attract drivers along Sunset Boulevard. The fascia of the Moderne style porte-cochère had a lighted marque and resting on top were zeon letters spelling "Earl Carroll Theater." Presumably automobiles would enter the property from Sunset Boulevard, drive under one of the three bays of the porte-cochère (extant) to drop off passengers, park in the surface lot (extant) to the west of the ECT Building, and exit the parking lot in a secondary opening (extant) located towards the middle of the northern lot line.

The Moderne style interior was lavishly decorated with zeon tube lighting and artwork, some of which remains extant. In 1939, Life Magazine described the new ECT Building: "exhibits an ultramodern, super-streamlined interior with a patent-leather ceiling, 10,000 colored zeon lights (altered, removed), a 15-ft statue, an acre of burgundy carpet (altered, removed) and a revolving stage inside a larger revolving stage (extant)." The centerpiece of the foyer was the Goddess of Light, a 15-foot-tall aluminum-covered plaster statue (extant) designed by Martin Deutsch. The figure was inspired by entertainer Rose Heitner who posed for the artist. With lifted hands to the ceiling, the statute held a fifty-foot zeon tube that wound its way to the black patent leather ceiling (altered, the leather and zeon have been removed). The columns in the lobby bar (extant) were filled with zeon lamps and zeon stalactites (altered, removed) hung from the ceiling in the cabaret which seated about 1,200 people. A large painting of Carroll painted by Strandanees hung near the main entrance (later removed).

There was no wall separation between the lobby and the auditorium (altered, wall added later). The auditorium floor was terraced down to the stage and was filled with rectangular dinner tables (altered, terraced floor covered with a level wood floor). The walls of the auditorium were covered in mock Australian oriental wood wallpaper (altered, removed) and the west wall was draped in green satin (altered, removed). Deep rose carpets covered the foyer (altered, removed) and the six terraces in the main room were complemented by chairs and table settings of a lighter shade of pink. The materials, finishes and furnishings of the interior were provided by W. & J. Sloane, an upscale furnishing retailer based in Manhattan. For its time, the theater had some of the most technologically advanced equipment, including a revolving round stage inside another revolving stage (extant), a revolving staircase (staircase extant), and a rain machine.

The focal point of the grand imperial staircase (extant) to the restrooms was a large etched glass panel entitled Young Ladies Aspiring for Stardom (removed and replaced with a new artwork) and flanking the panel were two female statues designed by Willy Pogany (extant). The etched glass panel may be the work of Bert Mako, who is credited with the design of a "wall statue." At the top of the staircase were restrooms and smoking rooms. The ladies room (extant) was lined in soft peach lamb's wool, the dressing tables and chairs were upholstered in hand-woven fabric in pastels, light green and café-au-lait, and the hand-woven carpet was a Dubonnet wine color (these finishes have all been removed). The men's smoking room (extant, now a men's bathroom), was finished in brown cork (these finishes have all been removed).

On December 26, 1938, the ECT Building opened featuring the lavishly produced opening revue "Broadway to Hollywood" that featured the "Sixty Most Beautiful Girls in the World" who ascended 100 treads of stairs and were 135 feet in the air. Many Hollywood celebrities were in attendance including Marlene Dietrich, Dolores del Rio, the J. L. Warners, Richard Barthlemess, Sally Eilers, Edgar Bergen, Claudette Colbert, Constance Bennett, Errol Flynn, Lili Damita, William Gargan, Jackie Coogan, Betty Grable, Mary Livingstone, Phil Harris, Conrad Nagel, Mary Brian, Darryl Zanuck, David O. Selznick, and Norman Krasna. The \$1,000 membership fee guaranteed a lifetime cover charge and a reserved seat.

#### Architects, Artists & Designers

#### 1. Architect Gordon B. Kaufmann (1888-1955)

Gordon B. Kaufmann, one of the Southern California's most significant architects, designed both the ECT Building, located on the property, and the Hollywood Palladium across the street at 6215 Sunset Boulevard. Born in England, he received his architectural training at the Polytechnic in London and graduated there in 1908. Kaufmann immigrated to British Columbia shortly thereafter and settled in Los Angeles in 1921. He was a partner in the firm Johnson, Kaufmann, Coate from 1921 to 1925 and later managed his own office. Kaufmann's lengthy career reflects the architectural development of Southern California. His early work is identified with period revival styles, primarily Mission and Mediterranean. In later decades, he focused on Art Deco, Moderne, and Modernist styles. He is perhaps most famous for the Hoover Dam; however, that project is only one of his many high-profile and distinctive works that include Edward L. Doheny, Jr.'s Greystone Mansion, Claremont College buildings, Scripps College's original campus, Santa Anita Race Track, the Times-Mirror Building, the Athenaeum at Cal Tech, and Park La Brea (with J.E. Stanton).

#### 2. Count Alexis de Sakhonffsky (1901-1964)

Count Sakhnoffsky was born into the Russian peerage in Kiev, in 1901, during the twilight years of Imperial Russia. At the time of his birth, Ukraine was part of the Russian Empire. His father, Count Wladimir Sakhnoffsky, was private financial advisor to Czar Nicholas II, and his mother was the granddaughter of an enormously wealthy Russian sugar magnate and industrialist. The family's status and fortune was dramatically impacted by the Russian Revolution, and Wladimir Sakhnoffsky committed suicide in August of 1918, shortly after the execution of the Czar and his family. There is some indication that the young Count Alexis served as a private with an anti-revolutionary force known as the

'White Army' between 1918 and 1920. A wealthy aunt living in France was finally able to finance the escape of Count Alexis, his mother, and his sisters, and the family was smuggled to safety in 1920. Deprived of all wealth and status, Sakhnoffsky's aunt paid for him to study engineering at the University of Lausanne in Switzerland. Eventually abandoning engineering in favor of art, Sakhnoffsky moved his academic enterprises to the Ecole des Arts et Metiers in Brussels, Belgium. While in Brussels he was hired in 1924 by Antoine Van den Plas to work as a junior draughtsman (and de facto translator) for Van den Plas' coach building company. In 1928 he accepted an offer of employment from the Hayes Body Company in Grand Rapids, Michigan. His automotive designs for Van den Plas and Hayes won numerous awards at various concours d'elegance, and five consecutive Grand Prix Medallions between 1926 and 1930.

He served as the Hayes Company's art director until it shut down in 1931. He then worked as a freelance designer on a wide variety of projects including designs for boats, tableware, radios, travel trailers, watches, furniture, refrigerators, bicycles, dresses, shoes, suspenders, airplanes, toys, cookware, and forklifts. He also dabbled in interior design, advertisement design, worked on movie sets, and designed Chrysler's exhibition for a World's Fair. Sakhnoffsky was a major proponent and early purveyor of the streamline design concept and applied it to the majority of his work, both automotive and non-automotive. From 1934 on he served as technical editor for Esquire magazine, and his work for Esquire made him well-known for his futurist designs. He became a United States citizen in 1939 and served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II as a Major stationed in Moscow, Russia. His freelance work dried up in the postwar period and he returned to regular design work under his former protégé, Brooks Stevens. Sakhnoffsky died in Atlanta, Georgia in 1964 at the age of 62.

#### 3. Frank Don Riha (1899-1958)

Frank Don Riha was born in Czechoslovakia. He studied in Prague and Paris before coming to the United States at the age of 20. He did design work on the Hollywood Palladium, ECT Building, Cal-Neva Lodge at Lake Tahoe, and a chapel for St. Paul's Cathedral in New York City. He also served for a time as art director of 20th Century studios. Riha designed the zeon portrait of Beryl Wallace for the façade of the ECT Building and is also attributed with working on the interior designs of the building. He collaborated with Gordon B. Kauffman again on the nearby Hollywood Palladium, where he worked on the interior color lighting designs, including the building's "star dust" ceiling. Riha died in Los Angeles in 1957.

#### 4. William "Willy" Andrew Pogany (1882-1955)

Willy Pogany was born in Szeged, Hungary in 1882. Pogany's initial academic inclination was toward mechanical engineering and he began his studies at the Budapest Technical Institute. However, he soon abandoned engineering for art and entered the Budapest Academy of Art. He stayed at the academy for six weeks before moving on to Paris to begin his career. He moved to London around 1904 and it was during his time there that Pogany took up illustrating. He also met his first wife, Lillian Rose Doris, whom he married in 1908. The couple had two sons together. According to Pogany, his intention was to leave for America from London, but he ended up remaining in England for another decade before the onset of World War I finally brought him to the United States in 1914. Pogany and his family settled in New York City, and Pogany became a naturalized citizen in 1921. His work in America was varied, and included book illustrations, murals, portraiture, stage settings, and even costumes. Around 1931, Pogany

made the move to Hollywood, where he worked on film sets for Samuel Goldwyn. Two years later his first marriage ended in divorce and in 1934 he married Elaine Cox, a children's book author. Willy Pogany died in his studio in New York City in 1955 at the age of 72.

Among his many notable artistic accomplishments, Pogany's work won him gold medals at exhibitions in Budapest, Leipzig, and the Panama Pacific International Exhibition. He designed the sets for numerous films, including Modern Times with Charlie Chaplin. He illustrated more than 150 books, including children's editions of The Arabian Nights, Alice in Wonderland, and The Ancient Mariner. He also worked as a muralist. His stage work included sets for the Metropolitan Opera, Ziegfeld Follies and Earl Carroll's Vanities. As a portrait artist he painted a number of famous visages, including Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., and former New York City Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia. One of his more unusual projects was the design of the St. George's Hotel \$1 million swimming pool in New York City, c.1931. In addition to the sculpture designs completed for the ECT Building, Pogany also designed a monument called the "Spirit of the Olympiad" for the Los Angeles Olympics in 1932.

#### 5. Bartholomew "Bert" Mako (1890-1970)

Bert Mako was born in Budapest, Hungary in 1890. He studied under Hungarian artist Victor Madarasz. He married Georgina Farkas just prior to entering service with the Austro-Hungarian forces in World War I. Their son, Gene, was born during the war. In 1920, the Mako family moved to Buenos Aires, Argentina and three years later came to Los Angeles. Mako's work included portraits, still life, landscapes, murals, church funerary architecture, stained glass, and sculpture. He was known for his ability to work in virtually any medium. Mako completed artistic projects for Forest Lawn Memorial Park, the Hollywood Post Office, Ventura College, Burbank City Hall, Whittier College, and St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral. He also created the ornamental plaques for the 1932 Olympic Games at the flower garden entrance in Exposition Park, and a frieze sculpture for Lou Henry Hoover High School in Whittier, California. For the last ten years of his life Mako resided in Palm Springs, where he died in 1970 at the age of 79. He was involved in the artwork for the ECT Building, but the precise nature of his work is unclear. An ECT program from 1940 credits him with creation of the "wall sculpture," which may refer to the etched glass panels adorning the bar and the top of the grand staircase. No wall sculpture appears in historic photographs or descriptions of the ECT Building.

#### Historic Significance (1938-1948)

The ECT Building continued under Carroll's leadership for the next ten years. Revues, theatrical entertainment that combines music, dance and sketches, were the dominant form of entertainment offered at the theater during its first decade. New shows opened every six to twelve months. Production values continued to be high after the grand opening, and as one Los Angeles Times reviewer remarked, the shows "...revealed no limiting of the glitter and glamour that have made these revues at the theater-restaurant famous practically across the country." By the end of 1945, Carroll had produced ten revues, with vaguely suggestive titles such as "World of Pleasure" and "V is for Venus." Carroll also revived his Earl Carroll's Vanities show around the end of World War II. During the first decade of operation more than two-million theater-goers attended the shows. The ECT Building, known for its excellent acoustics, was also used as a studio for radio and television. "Queen for a Day," "Meet the Missus," and "Heart's Desire" were all telecast from the ECT Building. The Philco Radio Show broadcast from the ECT

Building, and it was in conjunction with the show's "Hall of Fame" segment that the celebrity signboards were first created in 1940 for the Wall of Fame on the theater's exterior. The "wall of fame" was located on the north façade below the zeon signage, which consisted of celebrities autographs inscribed in cement blocks (altered, the blocks have been removed). A program souvenir for ECT Building's 10th year 1948 described the significance of the signature wall:

Covering the entire Sunset Boulevard façade, actual autographs of celebrities of stage and screen form the much-talked-about Earl Carroll "Wall of Fame."

Begun during the Screen Guild and Philco "Hall of Fame" radio broadcasts at the Earl Carroll Theatre, each week saw more and more stars' names carved in the individual cement blocks. The huge squares are a permanent record of the handwriting of the glamorous folk who make Hollywood famous. The autographs are notable for their clarity and uniformity, as well as characteristic greeting of each star.

Of the signatures, Shirley Temple's is the easiest to read; Clark Gable's is as rugged as his own virile personality, Hedy Lamarr got down on her knees to sign the huge block, and Carmen Miranda purposely misspelled "Terrific" when she wrote, "Mr. Carroll, you are 'TERRRIFIC' " to give the word added emphasis.

The stage also played host to a variety of events and performances. In 1939 a pageant called "The History of Women" was presented by the National Council of Jewish Women, ten Sunday night orchestra concerts were performed in the winter of 1942-43, and in 1944 five hundred student nurses were inducted into the United States Cadet Nurse Corps. The theater was even featured in the 1940 film A Night at Earl Carroll's, which showcased the talents of the theater's performers. Earl Carroll himself appeared briefly in the picture, but the cameo was short-lived as the storyline had him kidnapped by a disgruntled gangster early on in the film.

During World War II, the Wall of Fame was featured on the cover of LIFE Magazine. The article inside noted that the number of young women in Carroll's productions had been reduced from 60 to 40 due to a high number of war marriages. Despite a shortage of women to work on his stage, the war years brought big business to the theater, which put on discounted shows for late-night war workers. Shortly after the war ended in 1945, Carroll announced plans to build the largest theater in the world just down the street from the ECT Building. The tentative design included three revolving stages (one an ice rink, another water tank), subterranean parking, and a movie theater. However, the new entertainment complex never materialized. In 1948, Earl Carroll died in a plane crash while flying from Los Angeles to New York, and the golden age of the ECT Building soon faded away.

#### **Evaluation**

<u>Criterion 1:</u> Reflects the broad cultural, economic, or social history of the nation, state, or community

Primary Period of Significance: 1938

Secondary Period of Significance: 1938-1948

Originally constructed in 1938 by prominent Los Angeles master architect Gordon B. Kaufmann, the Earl Carroll Theater was the pinnacle of night club glamour during Hollywood's Golden Age. The success of the theater spurred development of other entertainment venues on Sunset Boulevard, including Florentine Gardens and the Hollywood Palladium. Carroll's Ziegfield-like revues brought old Broadway entertainment to California and other important entertainment industry projects on Sunset Boulevard followed. Apart from other nightlife venues, the area of Sunset near the ECT Building was soon lined with the studios of record companies, including Columbia, Decca, and Dot Records.<sup>3</sup>

When the ECT Building was first built it "rivaled every nightclub in the world." The theater and the productions it staged represented a larger and more lavish version of American nightlife, and its presence in Hollywood signaled a new era for West Coast entertainment. The Moderne architecture and streamline interior design with its one-of-a-kind ceiling lights and luxury finishes attracted celebrities, tourists, and locals alike, with over 2 million visitors attending shows during the theater's first decade. By employing forward thinking designers such as Gordon B. Kaufmann, Frank Don Riha, Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, Martin Deutsch, Willy Pogany, and Bert Mako, Earl Carroll created a building that exuded modernity and embraced technology and innovation from its unusual lighting system to the mechanics of the revolving stages. The theater's ten year life span as the Earl Carroll Theater paralleled the rise and fall of big-production Hollywood nightlife. When smaller and more intimate clubs became the main draw in the 1940s, Earl Carroll's stood as one of the few big-production theaters still drawing large crowds. The end of the World War II and the transfer of most local crime syndicates and their gambling money to Las Vegas contributed in part to the decline of the Hollywood nightclub. Indeed, Earl Carroll's death and the subsequent closure of his theater signaled the end of such large-scale dinner theater productions in Hollywood forever.

Following the death of Earl Carroll in 1948, the ECT Building cycled through a number of different occupants and owners used the property as an entertainment venue, which, were not as popular as the original productions produced by Earl Carroll. The ECT Building continued to be used as a performing arts venue and television studio occupied by the Moulin Rouge nightclub, Aquarius Theater, and Center Theater Group-Mark Taper. These theater companies hosted many productions including *Hair*, *Purple*, *Lenny*, *Zoot Suite*, and even two live performances by the Doors. During the daytime, the theater operated as a television studio; Jack Bailey's *Queen for a Day* was filmed for approximately eighteen years at the ECT Building and *The Chevy Chase Show* was filmed briefly for a few months. In 1997, Nickelodeon leased the ECT Building from Sunset Gower Studios and currently uses it to film children's cable television shows, renaming the theater Nickelodeon on Sunset. Even though the ECT Building was continually used as an entertainment venue and production facility, the shows produced at the ECT Building were not significant in the broader history of Hollywood nor were they as significant in the development of art, entertainment and culture in Los Angeles, as compared to the period when Earl Carroll owned the property.

Gregory Paul Williams, The Story of Hollywood: An Illustrated History (Los Angeles: BL Press LLC, 2005), 264-266.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Jim Heimann, <u>Out With the Stars: Hollywood Nightlife in the Golden Era</u> (New York: Abbeville Press, 1985),171.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Ibid., 202.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ibid., 218-219.

In summary, the ECT Building stands as a relatively intact and unique piece of Hollywood's nightclub history and an important player in the continued development and fame of Sunset Boulevard. The ECT Building exemplifies the broad cultural, economic and social history of Sunset Boulevard in Hollywood from 1938 to 1948. The ECT Building retains a high level of integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. Therefore, the ECT Building appears eligible as a Historic-Cultural Monument under Criterion 1.

<u>Criterion 2:</u> Is identified with historic personages or with important events in the main currents of national, state, or local history

Primary Period of Significance: 1938

Secondary Period of Significance: 1938-1948

The ECT Building was the third theater built by entertainment entrepreneur Earl Carroll (the previous two were located on Broadway in New York City and have been demolished).<sup>7</sup> It is significant in Earl Carroll's life as the last theater he built before his death and represents the pinnacle of his many entertainment achievements. Deemed an "international celebrity" in a commemorative souvenir program from the theater's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Carroll considered himself "America's premier authority on feminine beauty." During his career Carroll produced over 60 hit shows and composed more than 400 published songs. Carroll's slogan for the theater, "Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world," was a very popular and often paraphrased line in the 1940s. Earl Carroll was a key figure on Broadway in the 1920s and in the Hollywood entertainment industry in the 1930s and 1940s. Therefore, the ECT Building, the only remaining entertainment venue associated with Earl Carroll in the United States, appears eligible as a Historic-Cultural Monument under Criterion 2.

<u>Criterion 3:</u> Embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural-type specimen, inherently valuable for study of a period, style, or method of construction

Primary Period of Significance: 1938

The ECT Building embodies the distinctive characteristics of Moderne architecture and is an outstanding example of an early Hollywood nightclub. Popular from the 1920s to the 1940s, the Moderne style evolved from the Art Deco style and an emerging interest in industrial design. The style is characterized by curves, teardrop forms, asymmetrical facades, horizontal detailing, flat roofs, long runs of windows, and smooth surfaces detailed with grooves or lines. The ECT Building's exterior and the interior lobby remain largely intact and embody all the necessary distinguishing characteristics of the Moderne-style. Extant significant character defining spaces and features are outlined in Written Statement A. The ECT Building is inherently valuable for the study of Moderne architecture and interior design. The ECT Building represents a milestone in nightclub architecture, as it was the largest and most elaborate dinner-theater in the world when first constructed. The ECT Building retains a high level of architectural integrity in its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, as discussed

Demolished Broadway Theaters, Musicals 101.com, http://www.musicals101.com/bwaypast2.htm#Earl, accessed August 20, 2014.

Program Souvenir for Earl Carroll's 10th Year, 1949, California Index.

above. The theater set the mark for which all other nightlife venues subsequently aimed. Therefore, the ECT Building appears eligible as a Historic-Cultural Monument under Criterion 3.

<u>Criterion 4:</u> A notable work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual genius influenced his or her age

Primary Period of Significance: 1938

As one of the best examples of its style and type in Los Angeles as well as in California and the United States, it is a notable work of prominent Los Angeles architect Gordon B. Kaufmann, a master architect most well-known for his work on the Hoover Dam. Other prominent architectural works by Kauffman include Edward L. Doheny, Jr.'s Greystone Mansion, Claremont College buildings, Scripps College's original campus, Santa Anita Race Track, the Times-Mirror Building, the Athenaeum at Cal Tech, and Park La Brea (with J.E. Stanton). Kaufmann collaborated with architect and master interior designer Frank Don Riha on the interior design of the ECT Building and subsequently worked with Riha again on the Hollywood Palladium (1940) across the street from the ECT Building. Additionally, Riha designed the zeon portrait of Beryl Wallace located on the north facade of the ECT Building. The interior design is also attributed to Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, a master designer renowned for his work in the automobile industry and his streamlined designs, representative of a period in American history characterized by a national obsession with the car and the machine aesthetic. The theater design is unusual for Sakhnoffsky, a versatile industrial designer who traditionally worked in the design of objects rather than the built environment but also dabbled in interior design, advertisements, movie sets, and exhibition designs. Other master artists and designers who contributed to artworks displayed in the interior include Will Pogany who designed two female statues (extant) and Bert Mako who may have designed large etched glass panel entitled Young Ladies Aspiring for Stardom (removed and replaced with a new artwork). Therefore, the ECT Building appears eligible as a Historic-Cultural Monument under Criterion 4.

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Earl Carroll Theater Building, 6230 Sunset Boulevard, north and west elevations, view southeast (PCR2015)



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Dr. Charles J. Natfield, frmer managing director of the Naional Tuberculosis Association and now associate director and chairman of the board of the Henry Phipps Institute at Philadelphia, will give a five-minute talk on the program. Radio editors of the News

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by name, plays the title role in filmed against the picturesque the picture and she is surrounded | Monterey Bay country in northern by such screen notables as John California and near the United mas Seal Workers competing Litel, Ann Sheridan, Frank Mc- States Marine base at San Diego. Hugh, Eric Stanley and a host It was written by Harold Buckley of others.

The story starts with Janet by John Rawlins. running away from an orphanage Added Feature to find her "dream daddy." She the custody of John Litel and Litel as her "daddy"

"The Bad Man of Brimstone" featuring Wallace Beery is the added feature. Virginia Bruce, Dennis O'Keefe, Joseph Calleia, Lewis Stone and Guy Kibbee ap-

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## 'Air Devils' Will Be Seen Sunday

Universal's "Air Devils," dramatic thriller of love, battle royal, adventure and comedy on a South Sea island, comes to the Star Theater on Sunday.

Larry Blake, Dick Purcell, Beryl Wallace and Mamo Clark have the featured roles, supported by Min-AT THE AVONDALE erva Urecal, Charles Brokaw, Forbes Murray, Roy Mason, Paul Sutton, Al Kikume, Billy Wayne and Michael Visaroff.

Blake is the actor who made such a sensational debut in "The Road Back. ' Purcell is one of Hollywood's outstanding young lead-When "Little Miss Thorough- ing men. Miss Wallace, playing

"Air Devils" tells of the fights as two ex-Marines. The picture, This little girl, Janet Chapman a Trem Carr production, was and George Waggner and directed

roams, by freakish chance, into would indicate that a new sub- the English actor arrived here to urb has grown up in fabulous Frank McHugh, a pair whose Hollywood - a suburb populated chief vocation is following the by those cinema "families" who horses from track to track. She are winning increased favor with right, though, Goldwyn's personal brings them luck and accepts audiences. There is the Jones physician vouches for it. family, of course, and Judge Hardy and his brood.

And now - the Gleasons. screen household is that they are Wyler is putting them through a a family off screen as well as on. week's rehearsals before starting Jimmy and Lucile have been hap- the film. George Arliss used to fapily married 34 years, and their vor this scheme. He'd rehearse the family acting laurels. Repub-turned, lic has brought all three together for the first time in "The Higgins Family."

over his top-flight comedy per- the famous rebel yell of the Conformance as Joe Higgins, the hen- federacy. They finally found him pecked advertising man, whose in Elisha Murphy, of Bell, Cal. But flighty wife, Lillian, gets him in Murphy's voice is now too weak to dutch constantly with his boss, give the proper volume. So they the clients and the world at large, have made a recording of his yell Lillian — played by Lucile Glea- and stout-lunged Johnny "Scat" will take them back willingly after hear his voice. watching the nit-wit behavior of Joe Higgins' ever-loving spouse.

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## Behind the Scenes In Hollywood

They had to meet Hugh Wil-The current trend in pictures liams with an ambulance when work in Goldwyn's "Wuthering Heights." Williams will be all

Other members of the all-English cast of this picture also got an odd introduction to Hollywood The novelty about this latest movie making. Director William only son. Russell, has added to for two weeks before a camera

Casting officials at Warners say their toughest assignment was to Jimmy's admirers will have find a man who could reproduce son, of course - is ideally cast Davis will give forth for the sound as the wife, and husbands on the track in "Dodge City." He won't R. Pinkowski verge of divorcing their spouses appear on the screen. You'll only B.

Dapper Fred Astaire, who has Russell Gleason, cast as the son, been listed among the world's 10

The comedy makeup is a replica of the one worn by the late v Essenburgh 10 30 Phil Spitalny 6 15 Span Revue | Vernon Castle when he appeared E Pecks." Castle, you know, was a O. Rogers sort of stooge for Fields before H. Myers he took up ballroom dancing.

> The Charles Feldmans (she re- D. Smith cently sued him for divorce) were M. Burngasser a twosome at La Conga the other K. Rotolo K. Mitchell Jack Kirkland wants Adrienne Ames to be one of the six Floradora girls in his new play, W Stenzel Francine Larrimore and Gypsy M Beck Lee already are selected ... Edith 1 Gwynn will have a regular depart- Bi ment in Picture Play ... Add to his standin the money to meet H Cohen nice gestures: Allen Marshall gave ily back East ... Audiences at the R two Warner theaters here haven't B once failed to applaud the patriotic short, "The Declaration of Independence," which ought to make "Pigskin Parade" .... Add to un-Harry Warner happy because this usual sights: Irene Castle leading series is dear to his heart. . Add to the Latin snake dance at La Conelectric moments: When A. C. ga ... The father of Bernard Puns Blumenthal, with Irene Castle, ley, of the "Dead End" kids, is a reason that no one knows, there walked into the Victor Hugo and setting up a tailoring establishstay-up-laters spotted June Lang ment on the Sunset strip..... and Hal Roach, Jr., at another ta- Comedian Smiley Burnette wasn't ble .... And a chuckle from the satisfied with being able to play ing for that light to change. To news: Gloria Stuart, who plays 52 instruments, so he has inthe manager of a boxer in her vented another one-a cowbell next picture, never even saw a organ....Vi Bradley's celeste,

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FAMILY - Opening Sunday at the Star we'll see the antics of another screen capital family when "The Higgins Family" will begin a threeday run. It is said to be an excellent picture, recommended for all,

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an engaging figure as the wiseracking newspaperman who believes in nothing in the world except aviation, and his partner is Porter Hall, who for one of the 77 rare times in his film career, 148 portrays a sympathetic character.

autographed by 200 movie celebrities during her singing en-Bert Mako, father of Gene gagements at the Cafe Lamaze, Mako, the tennis star, is doing will be insured for thousands two statues for Earl Carroll's when she travels to England ... theater....Judy Garland will re- Morgan Hill, Fifi Dorsay's ex, and ceive stardom in M-G-M's "The Marion Sayres, a twosome at the Wizard of Oz." But, like Hedy Club 17 ... And add to Holly-Lamarr, she had to go off the wood human interest stories: home lot to get her first break. Jackie Penn, 19-year-old hat-She had been at M-G-M for check girl at Victor Hugos, en-

152 Others are Virginia Weidler, An-682 dy Devine and Kitty Kelly. Georgia Sothern In Palace Revue

Georgia Sothern, red-headed 89 136 madcap of burlesque's beauty queens, is the featured entertainer of Shake Up and Give, new 89 105 revue which opens at the Palace 126 116 theater on Thursday. Miss Sothern, a favorite with But

falo fans heads a revue that includes Marne Latham, Billy Foster, Juanita Bates, Peaches, Dan\_ ny Jacobs, the White Sisters and Harry Evanson. The new show, one of the trav-

eling troupes of the Western Burlesque Circuit, will succeed Cooper's Black and White Revue, in which Bob Ferguson, comic and George Dewey Washington, sepia singer, are outstanding, with Rose La Rose heading the women prin-

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## Artist Pictures Student Activity

More Than Ton of Clay Required for Whittier Sculpture

WHITTIER, June 21,—One of the largest individual sculpture panels ever made on the Pacific Coast is being completed this week for the Lou Henry Hoover School here by Bert Mako of Los Angeles.

The panel is twenty-seven feet long and seven and one-half feet high. More than a ton of clay was required to make the low relief design.

The panel will be placed over the main entrance of the school. It was designed by Mako and represents activities of the

re was designed by Mako and represents activities of the school, which specializes in a modern activity program. William Harrison, architect for the new school building, gave Bert Mako the dimensions for the panel and Mako decided to make the panel in one piece in stead of the usual two or three parts.

### Banners Emblazon Honeymoon Plane

MONROVIA, June 21.—A skyway romance reached a hilariously modern climax at the Monrovia Airport this afternoon when James L. Most and his bride took off for San Francisco, with their airplane trailing justmarried banners and strings of old shoes.

old shoes,
Most, who is manager of the airport here, flew to Nebraska a year ago, and met his bride to be, Norma Reed. She wanted to fly to California, so he was the volunteer pilot. They were married in Pasadena this morning.

### Judge Unopposed Since 1914 Faces Two

SAN LUIS OBISPO, June 21.— For the first time since he was elected to the bench in a threecornered battle in 1914, Thomas J. Norton, judge of the Superior Court in this county, faces opposition in his campaign for re-election.

M. R. Van Wormer, District Attorney, who last year conducted the first open grand jury hearing in the history of the State in investigating the Tax Collector's office, and Ray B. Lyon, Paso Robles lawyer, have filed for nomination for the bench.

#### Santa Monica Play to Open Run Tonight

SANTA MONICA, June 21— Under direction of Harold Cly ton, the Santa Monica Players tomorrow night will open a four night offering of "Parnell" a the Miles Playhouse, Lincolr and Wilshire boulevards.

SCIENTISTS DENY INDIANS IMMIGRATED FROM ASIA Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Jun 22, 1938; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990)

#### HUGE SCHOOL PANEL NEAR COMPLETION



Lou Henry School at Whittier. Bert Mako, the sculptor, points out details of work to Catherine Byers. The panel illustrates school activities.

## SCIENTISTS DENY INDIANS IMMIGRATED FROM ASIA

SAN DIEGO, June 21. The redskins are distinctively original Americans and not im-migrants from Asia, Anthony migrants from Asia, Antl Zallio, anthropologist of S mento declared here today. Sacra-

This defense of the American Indian featured the twenty-sec-ond annual meeting of the Amer-ican Association for the Advancement of Science.

Physical, social and geological factors were presented by the elderly expert from Sacramento Junior College. He pointed to the recent discoveries of artifacts in Lake county, California, which, archeologists say, indicate the presence in California some 20,000 years ago of human beings.

These and other artifacts in-

These and other artifacts in-dicating a cultural existence in North and South America in Pleistocene times, is a marked

Pleistocene times, is a marked proof against theories of migra-tion of Asiatics by way of the Bering Sea land bridge, or Aleu-tian Islands, he said. "It is difficult to think of a troglodite from Mongolia, shift-ing northeast through tundra and steppes and then ice and ice miles high, extending thou-sands of miles, pushing his way

oward an unknown, dark land,"

As further proof he offered blood tests which showed American Indians to have "O" type blood, while the "Asiatic type is "B" and the European type "A."

## Beet Industry Revival Seen

SAN DIEGO, June 21.—Dr. L. B. Leach, University of California botany department, predicted here today the revival of the once flourishing sugar beet in-dustry in California..

Here to attend the twenty-second annual convention of the Pacific Division for the Advancement of Science, Dr. Leach said a type of sugar beet which can withstand the ravages of the grasshopper has been developed and is being introduced in California on a large scale.

Besides the hardy new beet, Dr. Leach said the government Agriculture Department has produced an insecticide which will tend to reduce the number of grasshoppers which virtually destroyed the beet-growing indus-

## Action on Budget Delayed at Pasadena

other tax reduction loomed here today board of battle ere today when the directors tabled its loomed nere board of directors tablea no board of directors tablea no 1938-39 budget following the protest of E. G. Cartwright, chairman of the Patriotic American Taxpayers' Association.

Taxpayers Association.

Cartwright contended the board should postpone adoption of its budget until the first week of August in order that all provisions could be thoroughly

Edward O. Nay, chairman of the board, stated he personally did not favor a public hearing on the budget inasmuch as the recommendations of City Man-ager Koiner had been on file for the study of interested persons more than a month,

## Valley Road Needs to Be Told Governor

ENCINO, June 21.—In an effort to acquaint Gov. Merrian with the need of highway in fort to acquaint Gov. .... with the need of highway im-provements in San Fernando Val-ley, the United Chambers of will entertain the Commerce will entertain the State executive Thursday night at a country club here, With Joe Schumacher acting

spokesman, results of surveys will be given the Governor Plans are being made to conduct a tour through the valley dur-ing the Governor's visit.

## Services Set for Artist Bartholomew Mako, 79

Requiem Mass for Bartholomew Mako, 79, artist and sculptor whose works adorn many Southern California buildings, will be offered at 9 a.m. today in St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Desert Hot Springs.

Mr. Mako, who made his home at the desert resort for the last 10 years, died Saturday in Desert Hospital, Palm Springs.

Works of the Hungarianhorn artist decorate Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Hollywood Post Office, Hollywood High School, Ventura College, Burbank City Hall, Whittier College St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Los Angeles and many other churches and buildings.

In 1931 he executed the ornamental plaques for the 1932 Olympic games at

the entrance to the flower garden in Exposition Park.

He leaves his wife, Alice, and a son, Gene.

Burial will be in Forest Lawn - Memorial - Park, Glendale, after an Episcopal Church service at 3 p.m. today in the Church of the Flowers there. Arrangements are by Palm Springs Mortuary.

# A Father's Lessons, a Son's Gratitude

## The Legacy of Bartholomew Mako

WHEN A YOUNG GENE MAKO ASKED HIS FATHER HOW WELL HE THOUGHT HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO PAINT, HE GOT A RESPONSE HE HAS NEVER FORGOTTEN. "WELL," SAID BARTHOLOMEW MAKO, "IT DEPENDS ON HOW MUCH YOU CAN SEE AND HOW MUCH PATIENCE YOU HAVE."

goes straight to the heart of Bartholomew Mako, both the artist and the man. Born in Budapest, Hungary in 1890, his early life reads like a Hollywood epic. He drew his first portrait at the age of five. As a 13-year-old, he was invited into the studio of Victor Madarasz, a celebrated Hungarian artist known for his historical paintings, where he soon began to work on developing the backgrounds of the artist's canvasses. Just four years later, Mako's own work would hang in museums throughout Eastern Europe.

Shortly after his marriage to Georgina Farkas, Mako entered the fray of World War I with the Austro-Hungarian army. After the Armistice, Mako and his wife—now the parents of two-year-old Gene—decided to leave their tumultuous homeland for Buenos Aires, Argentina. They arrived there—strangers in a strange land—in 1920. Before the first day was up, the ever-resourceful Bartholomew had found work as a portrait painter. Three years later, the young family set out for Los Angeles, California in search of a more favorable climate.

It is in this fabled city that Mako would truly make his mark. As his son has observed, "It is almost impossible to drive five miles anywhere in Los Angeles without passing some of his work." Painting (portraits, still lifes, landscapes, murals), designing churches and funerary architecture, executing stained glass

creations, sculpting ornamental moldings, and drawing in every imaginable medium—Bartholomew Mako could do it all, and he did.

Even more remarkably, the knowledge the artist needed to carry out these many projects was "in his head," says Gene Mako. "The multitude of the art was impressive and the variation, too," he says. "Somebody would ask him if he could do something and he would say, 'I think so."

Bartholomew Mako defies the stereotype of the tortured artist, wrangling his muse at the expense of personal relationships. His son speaks of him with mingled awe and affection, marveling over the perpetual education he received at his father's side. Years of conversations with his father about art and shared visits to museums gave Gene a deeply-held appreciation for art that has guided him through a lifetime of collecting. "It was an amazing way to grow up, though I didn't appreciate it then as I do now," he says.

Thanks to the generosity of Gene Mako, who, to date, has given more than 50 works by Bartholomew Mako and other artists to the College, generations will have the opportunity to learn and be inspired by his father's work and life. "He was pleasing himself with his work," says Mako. "He was very happy with that, and to give pleasure to others at the same time." It's difficult to imagine a better recipe for success, either for art or for life. "



Top to Bottom:
"One Day Old" (1916), Pencil on Paper
"Gene" (1920), Pencil on Paper
"Gene Mako" (1937), Oil on Canvas
All works by Bartholomew Mako

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#### EXPERT ANALYZES TREND IN STYLES



#### DRESSES OR AUTOS, IT'S SAME *IDEA*

Designer of Both Avers Basic Principles Alike in Need for Slender Lines

Sheet metal for automobiles or silk for women's dresses are tailored in accordance with the same principles.

in accordance with the same principles.

Alexis d'Sakhnofisky, scion of a titled Russian family and expert designer of both automobile bodies and women's wear but now specializing in automobile body design, offered this observation yesterday at the Ambassador.

"In automobile design, you study the chassis; in fashion design—" The visitor made a gesture. "The pasic principles are similar: In dress, you must get height and you emphasize slender lines; in the automobile, you must get length, again slim lines."

D'Sakhnofisky's first important automobile design was that of the

silm lines."

D'Sakhnofisky's first important automobile design was that of the Marmon in 1928. Later, he designed the Cord. More recently, he designed the instrument panel on the Packard and he has just finished designing the 1934 Nash.

Automobiles of the future, he forecast will have sliding doors and

designing the 1934 Nash.
Automobiles of the future, he forecast, will have sliding doors and inclosed rear wheels.

James Houlihan, advertising agency head of San Francisco, accompanied D'Sakhnofisky to Los Angeles.

D'Sakhnofisky said he is taking out citizenship papers and "does not bother about Russia." He will be here over the week-end.

## RETAILERS WARNED ON TAX RACKET

CiteOfficials Attem pts by Fake Collectors to Gather Sales Levies

Warning was issued yesterday by Edwin T. Keiser, cales tax administrator for Los Angeles county, against unauthorized persons seeking to collect accumulated sales tax receipts from retailers.

Complaints have also been received, said the administrator, that persons describing themselves as representatives of the State Board of Equalization are seeking to obtain moneys from retailers for illentes and aid in filling out application blanks.

"My representatives only deliver icense cartificates and are not authorized to collect fees," said Keiser, 'Dealers should fill out application planks and send their checks to the Board of Equalization at Sacramento."

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In due time, Keiser said, accountunts and collectors will be in the
leld armed with proper credentials.
Meanwhile, he urged retailers not
o permit anyone to go over their
pooks or collect any fees.

#### Jury Convicts Woman Driver

Although Annic L. Bennett maintained that the odor on her breath was derived from a tonic prescribed by a physician, a jury in Superior Judge Scott's court yesterday found the guilty of drunk driving and recommended she be fined \$200.

Mrs. Bennett was arrested last May 1 by Hollywood police officers fiter she had assertedly driven her automobile into three other mathines. Time for sentence was set for Monday morning.



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#### ALEXIS DE SAKHNOFFSKY PAPERS

Records, 1901-1964 (Predominately, 1930-1955)

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Alexis de Sakhnoffsky was a prolific designer who influenced many areas of peoples everyday lives since his designs covered such varied fields. Alex de Sakhnoffsky was born in Russia. His father a Count, was a private counselor to Czar Nicholas II. After the Russian revolution and the suicide of his father, young de Sakhnoffsky fled his country to live with an aunt in France. There he studied engineering and art.

He was employed as a designer for Van der Plas, an automobile body maker in Belgium and was a winner of the Monte Carlo Grand Prix for automotive design from 1926-1929. In 1928, he negotiated a two year contract with an immigration permit to enter the United States as art director for the Hayes Body Co.

In addition to this work with Hayes Body Co., Sakhnoffsky designed for automobile companies, including: Packard, Willys, Studebaker, Auburn, Nash, Marmon and White. In 1933 he established his own studio and designed everything from aircraft and motorboats, to bathtubs and women's fashions.

After receiving his U.S. citizenship in 1939 de Sakhnoffsky served in the Air Force Combat Intelligence Corps including two years in Russia from 1943-1945.

de Sakhnoffsky was a prolific contributor to periodicals as well as an artist specializing in portraits of automobiles. Especially noteworthy are his drawings of cars owned by Atlanta collector Mills B. Lane.

This collection was received from David Holls, former top assistant to the Vice President of Design at General Motors Corporation.

Series I Personal Papers Box 1

Contains advertising, automobile designs, clippings and biographical information. Also included are military records relating to his service with the Air Force Combat Intelligence Corps during World War II.

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Wexis de Saldmoffsky (Americ ga Carrinoddemi)

Count Alexis de Sekhnoffsky (b. November 12, 1901 - d. April 29, 1964)

Count Alexis Wiladimirovich de Sakhnoffsky's 1930s illustrations in Esquire introduced "streamlining" to the American public. Sakhnoffsky's distinctive style resonated with cosmopolitan Americans' desire for modernity, efficiency, novelty, and speed. While still in his twenties, his streamlined automobile designs wor international awards. Historians of automobile design, with the prescient exception of Brooks Stevens, have ignored or belittled his work because of his limited technical knowledge; but his charisma, vision, and talent for illustration influenced American automotive, household, and fashion design to a remarkable degree.

After a short career in fashion illustration and design, his attention turned to automobiles and during the mid-1920s he was associated with the following Belgian coach builders; Lejeune A. Fils Aine (rue des Allies, 80, Verviers); D'Ieteran Freres (Rue de Mail 50-60, Bruxelles), L'Auto Carrosserie, (Harn 104, en Zondemaamstaat, 10, Gent), M. & Ch.Snutsel Fils, (Rue Stevin 59, Bruxelles); Carrosserie Van den Plas, (Rue St. Michel, Cinquantensires, Bruxelles), and Vesters & Merinck (Rue du Foyer Schaerbeekvis).

Custom autobodies, coachbuilt to his design, were constructed for chassis including Bentley, Bulck, Cadillac, FIAT, Graf und Stift, Hispano-Suiza, Imperia, Mercedes-Benz, Métallurgique, Minerva, Packard, Puch, Rolis-Royce, Stutz and Volsin. Many of these vehicles won awards in continental concours d'elegances between 1926-1931, in Beaulieu, Berlin, Bournemouth, Cannes, Le Touquet, Monte Carlo, and Nice. (Unilize today's Concours d'Elegance which judge a vehicle solely on its own merits, Concours of the 1920s and 1930s awarded points for coordinated displays of coachwork and fashion, usually featuring a women's clothing but at times extending to metching dogs and chauffeurs.)

In Monaco, his work won Grand Prix medallions for 5 years straight: 1926 with a Minerva, 1927 with a Minerva, 1928 with a Rolls-Royce, 1929 with a Packard, and 1930 with the first Grand Prix awarded to an American chassis: the unique 1929 Cord "Hayes Coupe" (which recently sold at auction for \$2.4 million, making it the most expensive Cord in the world).

He designed the streamlined Labatt's delivery truck the fondly remembered trafficstopping vehicles that transported the London, Ontario brewer's popular beverages across Canada from the mid-1930s into the mid-1950s.

His talent for graphics and line drawings extended his influence among the general public, and his illustrations appeared in the following periodicals: Autobody, Conquete de l'Air, Esquire, L'Equipement Automobile, Motor Trend, Psyche,

Skyways and The Classic Car.

Fluent in four languages (English, French, German and Russian) de Sakhnoffsky became Autobody Magazine's 'Continental Correspondent' in the mid-1920s. By 1928 his articles and award-winning designs had attracted the attention of General Motors, Packard and Hayes Mfg. Co. and he accepted a position as art director with the latter in its Grand Rapids design studio. During his tenure at Hayes, de Sakhnoffsky influenced the design of many automobile bodies, as Hayes' clients included American Austin, Auburn, DeVaux (later Continental), Franklin, Marmon, Peerless, Reo, Roosevelt and Studebaker.

When his contract expired, he became a freelance consultant, having realized that consultation and free-lance projects generated the most income and best suited his lifestyle. Not surprisingly de Sakhnoffsky's eccentric sense of style extended to his wardrobe which according to Esquire consisted of "riding breeches and boots with open-collared white shirts."

His trademark monogram, seen to the right, needs a little explanation. In English, his initials are A.D.S.- A for Alexis, D for de, and S for Sakhnoffsky. In Russian, which uses the Cyrillic alphabet, his initials are A.д.C. - A for Alexis , д for de, and C for Saknoffsky (Алесис де Сакчноффскы).

De Sakhnoffsky maintained offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Grand Rapids, Milwaukee,

Associated Firms

Heyes Mfg. Co.; Van den Plas S.A., Ninerva, Budd





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patents during his lifetime. His numerous non-automotive clients included Attwood Mig. (boat hardware), the Brown Derby (tableware), Chrysler Corp. (World's Fair exhibit), Earl Carroll Theatre, LA (Interiors) Emerson (radios), Feather-Craft (boats), Fleetwheels (travel trailers), Frost-Craft (boats), Gruen (watches), Hadley Mig. (boat horn), Heywood-Wakefield (furniture), Kelvinator (refrigerators), Mullins (boats), Murray (bicycles), Muzak (radios), Natan & Co. (dresses), Pedwin (shoes), Pioneer (suspenders), Revion (advertisements), Hal Roach (movie sets), Sabca (aliplanes), Steekraft (toys & pedal cars), Volirath (cookware), and Yale & Towne (forklifts).

Post-Hayes his automotive clients included Bantam, Budd Mfg. (trailers), Crosley, Ford, Indiana (trucks), Kaiser-Frazer, LaFayette, LaSalle, Mack, Murray Corp. (auto bodies), Nash, Packard, Tucker, White (trucks) and Willys-Overland.

In the late 1930s, he took on a number of interesting side jobs, including set design on a famous Hal Roach comedy "Topper", and musical instruments for Phil Spitalny's popular "all-girl" orchestra.

De Sakhnoffsky became a US citizen in 1939. In 1941, his divorce (due to his wife's objection to his girlfriends) became the subject of gossip columnists from coast to coast. From 1943-1945, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps, stationed in Moscow where his multilingual fluency proved useful.

Although his Army pension and work for Esquire provided a steady, albeit small income after the War, he discovered that opportunities for freelance automobile designers were non-existent and took a position with his protégé, Brooks Stevens. He augmented his income with illustrations for advertising agencies and an occasional design project for small manufacturers and wealthy individuals. After parting ways with Stevens he moved to Atlanta with his third wife, passing away there on April 29, 1964, at the age of 62.

The Count told his life story in a three-part article published in the journal of the Classic Car Club of America in the late 1950s, and most of the personal anecdotes that follow are taken from the series.

Alexis Wladimirovich de Sakhnoffsky was born on November 12, 1901 in Nev, the largest city in the Russian state of the Ukraine, to Count Wladimir and Countess (Terestchenko) de Sakhnoffsky.

His father, Count Wladimir de Sakhnoffsky, was a quiet, scientifically inclined nobleman, who just happened to be the private financial counselor to Czar Nicholas II.

His mother was the granddaughter of the Russian sugar magnate and industrialist Arterior Terestchenko, one of the wealthlest persons in Czarist Russia. Her father, Nicola Terestchenko, inherited his business and fortune, which was handed down to his children, who askide from de Sakhnoffsky's mother included Theodore and Ivan Nikolavitch Terestchenko, the world renowned art collectors.

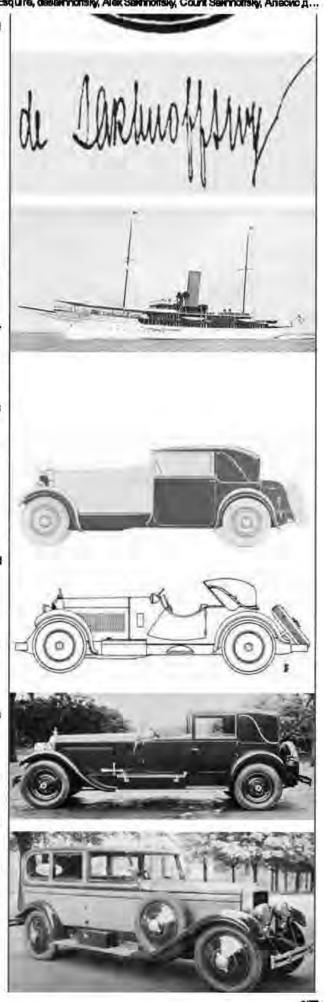
The extent of the immense wealth of Alexis' mother's family can be seen in the family's yacht, the 318 foot Iolanda, which was owned by his grandmother Elizabeth, Nicola's widow. Constructed in 1908 in Leith, Scotland by Ramage and Ferguson Shipyards the Iolanda was the second largest steam yacht in the world. Purchased in 1911 from its original owner, Commodore Morton F. Plant, it sailed the Mediterranean and Baltic Seas carrying the scions of Europe as well as members of the Russian Imperial family, and one would assume a young Count Alexis.

He grew up in a five-story mansion whose staff of 18 included a French governess and British nurse from whom he learned French and English. Early on Alexis became enamored with the family's chauffeur-driven Mercedes and he recalls his great delight when its Russian operator opened up the exhaust cutout.

As a thirteen-year-old de Sakhnoffsky, whose boyhood wish was to be the Czar's coachman, constructed his first vehicle, a rudimentary engineless model constructed using a sied and a set of wheels appropriated from a perambulator. He often used the household custodian, Peter, as ballast on his daily charges down the hills surrounding his home in Nev. The vehicle was soon confiscated and destroyed, after Alexis nearly struck his father while tearing down a steep hill.

Following a series of missteps and the entry of Russia into the First World War, which resulted in the deaths of 3,300,000 Russians, Czar Nicholas II was deposed and replaced by a provisional government in the first revolution of March 1917 which itself was overthrown by the Boisheviks the following October. The senior de Sakhnoffsky's petron abdicated on March 15, 1917 and summarily executed on July 16-17, 1918.

Due to their immense wealth the Terestchenko family were easy targets for the Bolsheviks, and de Sakhnoffsky's father committed suicide in August of 1918. Saknoffsky recalled:



moments before taking poison, I sat motionless in complete silence. The only perceptible sound was an occasional rumble of iron-rimmed wagon wheels. Since no traffic was allowed after hours, this meant that another group of wretched arrested people, maybe relatives or friends, were on the way to interrogation or torture."

The Russian Revolution took place over a number of years, and during its early days a group of former Imperial Army Generals organized a volunteer army to fight the Bolsheviks. Headquartered in the Ukraine the rolls of the White Army - as they were called - included a Private de Sakhnoffsky.

Luckily for de Sakhnoffsky, an Aunt in Marseilles, France arranged for his immediate family (Alex, his mother and sisters) to be smuggled out of the country in January of 1920, his only possession being 1,000 rubles and a 5½ carat diamond ring. He was safe, but no longer wealthy, so Alexis' aunt financed a sojourn to Switzerland where he enrolled in the engineering program at the University of Lausanne.

After three years of school he ran out of money and moved to Paris where he began sketching gowns, which he hoped to sell to couturiers.

"But a style designer can't get anywhere in Paris unless he can also cut and fit dresses," explained de Sakhnoffsky. "So I could get only 17 or 20 francs for a sketch, and even then didn't make a sale very often."

With his fashion career at a standstill, he decided to take a course in design at the Ecole des Arts et Métiers in Bruxelles, Belgium. To help finance the move he began looking for a job in and around Bruxelles.

Coincidentally, Thomas Hibbard, a partner in the Franco-American automobile design firm of Carrosserie Hibbard et Darrin, happened to be in Carrosserie Van den Plas' Bruxelies office in late 1923 when a young Russian artist (de Sakhnoffsky) came by looking for work. Surprisingly, his portfolio did not contain any renderings of automobiles rather it consisted of detailed drawings of women's clothing and accessories as his only work up until that time had been for department stores.

However de Sakhnoffsky's talents were obvious and he was subsequently hired by the Antoine Van den Plas as a junior draughtsman at 750 francs a month. His multi-linguistic talents were as much an asset to his employer as were his artistic ones as he served as translator whenever one of the firm's international clients visited the shop. As Van den Plas directors also served on the boards of Minerva, Metallurgique and Imperia, the company was the coachbuilder of choice for the three Beiglan-built chassis.

Before long Alexis was given more responsibility and began executing final renderings of selected model bodies for Van den Plas wealthy clients. Not satisfied to be a mere interpreter-delineator, de Sakhnoffsky longed for his former life of luxury stating:

"My mind associates living below standards with the dreadful odor of wet wool, hungry eyes and gradual sinking to the acceptance of status quo."

He explains, "It was tough getting used to working long hours with the same faces around you. I loathed the drab surroundings, creaky floors and garlic stench of my colleagues' garlic and lard sandwiches. Even my white smock seemed to me a brand of disgrace But. worst of all was the ordeal of having to share the odiferous, window-less lavatory without any privacy whatsoever."

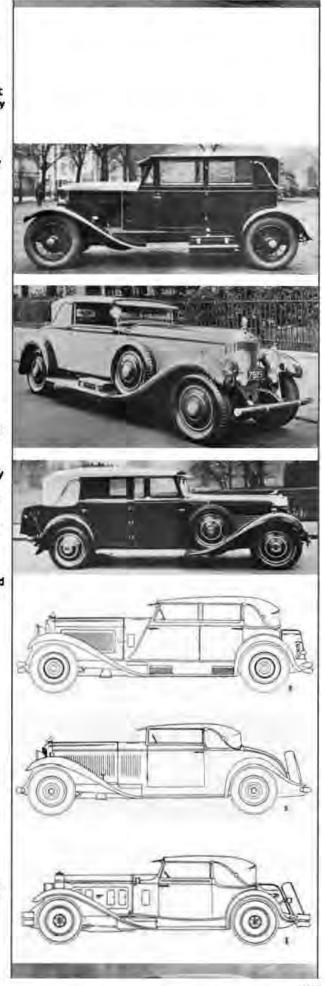
During meetings in the conference room he often feigned a headache or some other malady just to be able to use his employer's executive javatory where he could "revel in clean, sanitary comfort".

On December 27, 1924 de Sakhnoffsky was summoned to his employer's office, unsure if he was about to be fired or promoted. Prepared for the former he wondered:

"What about Madeleine, my new girlfriend, whom I promised new outfits to join me on my weekend safaris?"

He needn't have worsed as Mon. Antoine offered him a promotion, appointing him Van den Plas' Art Director, a position which included a key to the firm's executive lavatory.

Although he rarely mentioned her, de Saknoffsky ended up merrying the girl mentioned above. Little is known about the first Countess de Sakhnoffsky (nee Madeleine Parlongue) other than she was born in Belgium to Edgard Henri and Lucie Emestine (Louat) Parlongue in 1910 (one source states 1914). De



Sakhnoffsky met her while he was working for Van de Plas and she accompanied him to Grand Rapids when he relocated to the United States, the 1930 US Census listing the couple as Madeline and Alexis de Sacnoffsky (sic).

In addition to the preceding reference from his Classic Car series, de Sakhnoffsky mentions her in a 1933 interview, explaining that while in Belgium he met a girl who during the war had risked her life for her country in the intelligence service. She had a hatful of citations for her bravery – and also she had a pretty face and that indefinite something the stylist loved – 'chic'.

Ironically an art director's pay wasn't sufficient to allow for the owning of a car, de Saldmoffsky explaining:

"It was agony to occasionally drive my own designs, when I ached for a car - just any car.

"To satisfy my craving, I arranged with the management of the custom-car factory I worked for, to allow me to "test" my creations over week-ends. And since our production ran at about 1½ cars a week, there was always at least one finished car available on Saturdays, prior to be shipped or driven away by the owner.

"Attired in my best clothes, I drove past the great plate glass windows of the Belgian Capitol, watching the reflection of the long-wheelbase costly vehicle, with myself at the wheel. All my small savings went towards trips to the sea-shore or mountain resorts, where the low bows of flunkeys and admiring glances of patrons gave me a heady feeling of success. Only the most exclusive places, I felt, were good enough for MY cars."

During those days a good portion of a continental coach builders business came from its annual entries in Europe's prestigious auto shows and Concours d'Elegance (translation: competition of elegance). Van den Plas S.A. creations

A little Van den Plas history is in order as there were three separate coachbuilders operating under the Van den Plas name at the time.

It was in 1871 that a blacksmith left his workshop on the industrial north-east side of Bruxelles to his nephew, Guillaume Van den Plas, who had served as his apprentice. By 1880 Guillaume had expanded into the manufacture of wheels and axies by 1884 entire carriages. In that year he relocated to Antwerp where he was joined by his three sons, Antoine, Henri and Willy. Following Guillaume's retirement in 1898, Henri Van den Plas assumed control of the families Antwerp operations and Antoine and Willy returned to Bruxelles where they established their own works at 32 Rue de St. Michael.

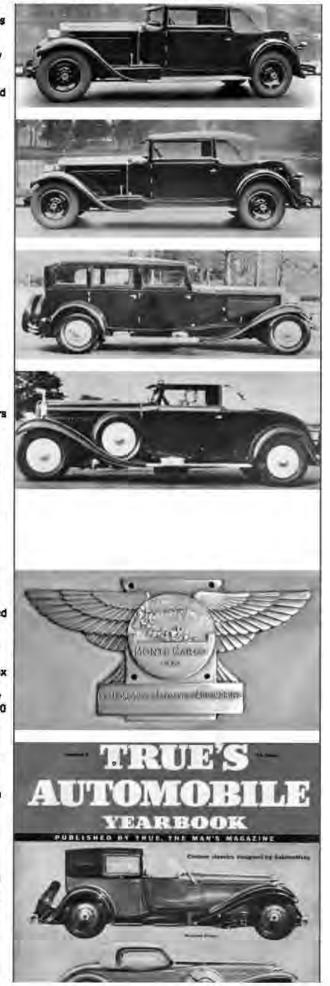
Most of the firm's work was on the associated Minerya chassis although they

produced bodies for all the major European and American luxury chassis at one time or another. The 1934 bankruptcy of Minerva caused the bankruptcy of Van den Plas during the following year, its last known project being a Torpedo Roadster on a Duesenberg Model J chassis. The firm was subsequently reorganized and survived into 1949, specializing in bus and commercial bodies.

In 1913 a British Van den Plas was established in Hendon by Warwick Wright who produced bodies under license from Van den Plas, S.A. After various name changes and reorganizations the firm assets were purchased in 1923 by Edwin Fox and his brothers who reorganized it as Vanden Plas Ltd. The British firm subsequently moved from Hendon to Kingsbury where they established a mutually beneficial arrangement with Bentley Motors Ltd. for whom they produced over 700 bodies between 1924 and November 1931 when Bentley was purchased by Rolls-Royce. With the end of their close association with Bentley, Vanden Plas Ltd. Supplied coachwork to various British firms including Aivis, Armstrong Siddeley, Bentley, Dalmier, Lagonda and Rolls-Royce. In 1946 the firm became a subsidiary of the Austin Motor Co., who used it to manufacture the coachwork for its new Austin A-135 Princess. In 1960 Vanden Plas began offering its own line of cars, but after a succession of mergers and acquisitions the firm ended up being badge affixed to upscale versions of various British Leland marques.

A third Van Den Plas was formed by Willy Van de Plas, the youngest son of Guillaume, who left Bruxelles and established a partnership with a Parisian coachbuilder in 1920 forming Carrosserie Willy Van den Plas et Solomon & Cle. Willy bought out his partner in 1925, and the business was subsequently conducted at 228 Rue le Courbe, Paris, without the Solomon suffix. Willy won the 'Grand Prix du Concours d'Elegance de Paris' in 1930 and the 'Coupe de la Body' and 'Grand Prix d'Honneur' in 1931 with an 8-cylinder Delage chassis. Carrosserie Willy Van den Plas survived until 1934.

Alexs de Saknoffsky was attached to the Bruxelies-based Van den Plas S.A. and did no work for the French or British firms that shared the same name. The following first-hand description of the Van den Plas shops is excerpted from his 1957 Classic Car article:



"The output of most deluce coachbuilders was very small. At best, Van den Plas produced one to one and one-half bodies a week, usually taking three months to finish them. The customers were prominent Englishmen, titled and/or wealthy Belgians and members of the rich international crowd referred to the company by representatives in London, Paris and Spain...

"Our London representative was the Cadillac-Buick dealer; in Spain our Mr. Rugeronl sold Rolls-Royce, and so on. But our Brussels salesman was debonair, impeccably dressed André Monimaerts. His job was to hang around races, bars and night clubs and weed out the latest information on who is in the chips, or ready for a new custom-built creation. A lot of this information was channeled to him via ladies of easy virtue, with whom he had quite a way. One of them, a beautiful creature called "Mouche" (Fly), who divided her well-paid-for time between London and Brussels, was always good to provide numerous tips which resulted in a few (auto) bodies for André.

"Upon arrival, the customer was brought into the sanctum of Monsieur Antoine's wood-paneled office. If the customer was English or American, I was immediately summoned to act as interpreter. Sooner or later, however, I was always in the picture when styling was discussed.

Some members of old, noble families had exact replicas of their favorite models reproduced every few years on newer chassis. Their family color schemes were always the same down to the last filet (stripe). Occasionally, some of the younger members drifted towards flashy Bugattis, SSK Mercedes, etc. but most of the aristocracy was not too wealthy and what with occasionally indulging in special cars for their lady-friends, they had to watch their own car budget. And watching who paid for whose car with whose credit was a delicate job for Monsieur Antoine and his credit man.

"Hanging in the ante-room were about thirty of my original drawings of our models. These were replaced from time to time when I had a spare moment. Generally, the customer was able to find something there which was in line with his wishes.

"Since the reputation of quality was unquestioned, after the customer selected his model and agreed on a general estimated cost, Monsieur Antoine summoned his production accounting- coordinating executive, who took in long-hand, copious notes of the details. These covered a wide variety of queer wishes, from vanities carved out of solid ivory, to sunburst roof treatments in pink leather or interiors matching the skin of the owner (for a well-known mulatto songstress).

"My job was to either create an original or to execute the final renderings of the selected model in the chosen colors and sometimes perspective sketches of interiors and fancy woodwork. The client supplied us with full information on his crest or monogram to be handpainted on the rear doors and engraved on silver cocktail shakers, flagons and cups.

"A staff meeting followed during which department chiefs (body drafting, lumber chief, sheet metal chief, upholstery head and finally chief painter) reduced the coordinator's notes to departmental detailed instructions. All were dressed in long white smocks, with only the general production manager, a two-hundred-fifty-pound Frenchman called Mr. Gifflaux, allowed to keep on his stiff black hat.

"From then on, thoroughly conscious of the customer's wishes, I worked with the body lofters who added all the necessary modifications to the master body drafts of our basic models."

Although Van den Plas S.A. is known to have built on Bentley, Benz, Buick, Cadillac, Excelsior, Flat, Gräf und Stift, Hispano-Sulza, Imperia, Isotta-Fraschini, Mercedes, Métalkurgique, Packard, Panhard, Rolls-Royce, Puch, Stutz and Voisin, the built of their work was on Minerva chassis, and de Sakhnoffsky recalled five memorable examples.

The first was a 1927 convertible trimmed in pigskin that was built for a wealthy British Polic captain.

The second, a 1929 convertible constructed for an Indian maharaja that was finished in navy and uphoistered in black itzard with all interior metal parts either 14-karat gold or gold plated. The third was a closed-coupled sedan on a 20-hp Rolls-Royce chassis built to order for Adrian Conan Doyle, the son of Sherlock Holmes' creator, Arthur Conan Doyle.

The fourth and fifth, I'll let him describe directly:





"One of our esteemed clients, Prince de Ligne, member of one of the oldest Belgian families and brother of the Belgian Ambassador to the United States, was also an ardent big-game hunter. I designed a special car for him, following his detailed specifications. It was built on the large Minerva,-and was really a phaeton with a rakishly sianted V-windshleid and extra low sides. There were no running boards proper. The fenders were of the domed, individual cycle-type; there was a flat valance covering the frame on the sides and two large steps allowed entry into the body without doors. Two large un racks were attached to the outside. The hood and body were entirely finished in engine-turned aluminum with red leather trim inside. The practicality of using a long wheelbase, deluxe chassis for the Belgian Congo roads is, of course, highly questionable, but I love to think of the field day the wild game must have had admiring the gleaning finish in the

'One day I was interviewing a striking brunette with something behavior about her. Her clothes 'reeked' the expensive couturiers, she had a casual aplomb of people of wealth and a heavy Slavic accent. She told me that her husband, a known painter, wanted two cars: a sedan on the large Rolls and a convertible on the Isotta-Fraschini. Both cars were to be finished in ivory paint, with large sterling silver monograms applied on the doors. The interiors were to be upholstered in fraises ecrasées (crushed strawberry) leather and the vanities along the partition and next to rear arm rests were to be carved out of solid elephant tusks. When I expressed doubt that the largest tusks would be large enough for full body width vanities, she advised me that she and her husband would provide the ivory gathered during one of their recent safaris.

"In the center of the roof in the rear compartment there was to be an lyony rosette with the pink leather gathered around it in a sunburst effect.

"As blase as I was by the unusual and often ridiculous requests of our wealthy patrons, my curiosity was aroused as to her identity.

"Her husband complained that being a nature lover, he was stymled by the lack of vertical vision in the average sedan. Wishing to see mountains and sky, he wanted a transparent section of the roof just over the windshield. The car was built as specified. Its owner was the late José Sert (Sert Room of the Waldorf and Murais at Rockefeller Center in New York). His wife, Nina, was born Midivani, sister of the three notorious, "merrying" Midivanis."

Although he doesn't mention it in his Classic Car series, a number of de Saldmoffsky designs were constructed by Van den Plas S.A.'s Belgian competitors, one notable example being a Packard convertible Victoria shown at the 1928 Paris Auto Salon that was constructed by D'Ieteren Freres. Soon after its appearance Van den Plas made it available as did Waterhouse and Murphy in the United States.

Although the exact relationship between de Saknoffsky, Van den Plas and the following Belgian coachbuilders is unknown, his designs appeared on bodies constructed by the following firms during the late 1920s: Lejeune A. Fils Aine (rue des Allies, 80, Verviers); D'Ieteren Freres (Rue de Mail 50-60, Bruxelles), L'Auto Carrosserle, (Ham 104, en Zondermaamstaat, 10, Gent), M. & Ch. Snutsel Fils, (Rue Stevin 59, Bruxelles); Carrosserle Van den Plas, (Rue St. Michel, Cinquantenaires, Bruxelles), and Vesters & Nierinck (Rue du Foyer Schaerbeekvis).

Between 1926 and 1929 many de Sakhnoffsky designed vehicles won awards at competitions that took place at Beaulieu, Berlin, Bournemouth, Cannes, Le Touquet, Monte Carlo, and Nice. In Monaco, his work won Grand Prix medallions for 5 years straight: 1926 with a Minerva, 1927 with a Minerva, 1928 with a Rolls-Royce, 1929 with a Packard, and 1930 with a Cord. De Sakhnoffsky recalled "fate was good to me."

Content with his reputation as one of Europe's top automobile designers, de Sakhnoffsky set his sights on his next goal, repeating his Continental success in America. He relates:

"I started thinking seriously about going to America. Though eversince my adolescence, I dreamed about living in America and gaining recognition, I never wanted to arrive as an immigrant and proceed from scratch to establish a reputation. If I was to come at all, it had to be on my own terms: crossing on a deluxe liner with a substantial contract in my pocket.

That required some preparation. I needed recognition outside of Beiglum, but could not afford a publicity agent. I decided to start



outloing myself up by continuiting to automotive trace publications. Though I had no training as a writer, I was fortunate to have acquired early in my life command of French, English and German. Also my interest in cars helped me gather a working knowledge of technical terms. Soon I was writing monthly articles on automotive design trends for 'L'Equipment Automobile', - an influential Paris publication, and 'Autobody', - a popular trade magazine published in New York.

"Both carried my by-line and address, and since I was paid a fixed amount per printed page, I found it profitable to send large amounts of photos, which sharply reduced my writing time. Naturally I filled the space with easily obtainable photos of all the cars which I designed for Van den Plas, S.A. This extra work provided me with additional income and publicity outlets in France and America."

By early 1928 de Sakhnoffsky's contributions to Autobody began to pay off. The first offer came from General Motors Corp.'s Art & Colour division, who offered him a six-month contract at double his current salary. He declined, hoping a longer contract would materialize, but agreed to meet his prospective boss, Harley Earl, at the Fall Olympia Show in London.

Several months later he received an offer from the Hayes Mfg. Co., a large automobile body manufacturer located in Grand Rapids, Michigan who at the time they were building production bodies for Chrysler, Marmon, Willys and Rao. Hayes officials had met de Sakhnoffsky who served as their tour guide on a visit to Van den Plas' Bruxelies facility.

Farmlar with his Autobody by-line and his numerous awards Hayes management hoped that a styling studio within the organization would provide some additional prestige with clients, and they offered him the position of Art Director - Stylist at what he considered to be "an excellent figure".

During the 1920s Packard enjoyed a substantial popularity on the Continent and Van den Plas, S.A. bodied quite a few of them, working directly with the Parisian (Maurice Barbezat) and London (Leonard Williams Ltd.) distributors. Several of de Sakhnoffsky's designs won awards in France, and Van den Plas supplied Barbezat

with striking bodies for the annual Paris Salon. In fact Barbezat was so pleased his work he arranged a meeting between de Sakhnoffsky and Packard Chairman Alvan Macauley at the Paris Salon in the Fall of 1928.

A de Sakhnoffsky-designed Packard Convertible Victoria painted black and trimmed in red leather provided the back drop for their meeting, where the young designer enthused:

"The golden youth of Europe is waiting for chic bodies, which will match the performance of your chassis. You have to compete with Hispano-Suiza, Delage, Bentley and Minerva, or be frozen out of the deluxe Continental market".

Macauley walked slowly around the car which was fully ten inches lower than the surrounding production models, his head towering over the convertible top. Unconvinced that there would be sufficient headroom inside, he opened the door and sat at the wheel ad discovered there were inches to spare over his hat. Unbelmownst to Macauley, de Saknoffsky had installed the seat on a dropped floor pan affixed several inches below the top of the frame rails, a custom touch that provided additional headroom in convertible automobiles (somewhat similar to channeling as practiced by today's modern hot rodders). Although the practice was sometimes used on competition vehicles to lower the center of gravity, it was rarely used on passenger cars at such an early date.

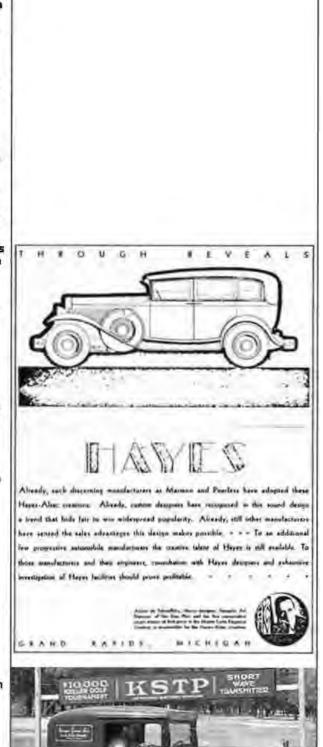
After a short slience Macauley told the designer:

"Young man there is no doubt that you design striking cars, strictly Continental. However, since our total volume of export to Europe amounts to less than 5% of our production, who cares about what the Europeans prefer. Still, I think there is a place for you in America, but I will not be the one to import you. Come and see me when you reach Michigan".

The convertible Victoria in question was subsequently purchased by the Packard Motor Company and shipped to Detroit. Although a position with Packard would have been a great opportunity, he had already accepted Hayes offer and immediately set sail for New York on board the United States Lines S.S. Levisthan reaching Manhattan on October 22, 1928.

Hayes had already alerted the press to de Sakhnoffsky's hiring, the November 1928 Issue of Autobody announced his upcoming appearance at a December 10, 1928 S.A.E. (Society of Automotive Engineers) conference:

"Speakers for Detroit Body Meeting



"The Body Division of the Detroit Section, S.A.E., will meet on Dec. 10 at the Book-Cadillac Hotel, to hear a discussion of body development and design as revealed at the Paris and New York Salons.

The speakers as now arranged are: L. Clayton Hill (Murray Corporation of America); Raymond H. Dietrich (Dietrich, Inc.); Alexis de Sakinoffsky (Hayes Body Corporation). The subject of this meeting is one of great immediate interest and a large attendance is expected by Chairman W. N. Davis."

The December 1928 issue of Autobody formally announced his hiring:

"Art Director for Hayes

"Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, who came here recently to accept an engagement as art director for the Hayes Body Corporation, of Grand Rapids, Mich., is a native of Russia. When 18 years of age, he left Russia and entered the School of Engineers at Luceme, Switzerland, where he studied two years and then continued his engineering studies for two years more at the Electromechanical Institute in Brussels. Having meanwhile specialized in designing, he sperit another year and a half in Paris studios, most of which time was devoted to dress designing.

"He was connected for five years with the Carrosserie Van den Plas, S. A., of Brussels, first as line and color creator and later as art director in charge of the line-and-color research department. For five successive years, bodies which he designed were awarded grads prix at the Concours d'Elegance de Monte Carlo; a first prize was won by his design at the recent Bournemouth Elegance Contest, and one at Le Touquet Railye. In addition to bodies for Van den Plas, he has designed for the following Continental coachbuilders: Snutsel Aine and Vesters and l'Auto Carrosserie, of Ghent. For three years, he designed dresses for Natan & Co. Besides acting as correspondent on the Continent for Autobody, he has had charge of articles on novelties in custom design for L'Equipement Automobile, of Paris; body articles for Brussels fashlon magazine, Psyche; contributed a series of articles on the adapting of body designing to the airplane in Conquete de l'Air and acted as a consulting body engineer to the aircraft factory SABCA, of Brussels. He has also had charge of developing special designs and color schemes for the 30-hp. Minervas of Minerva, Ltd. of England."

De Sakhnoffsky recalled his first few months in the country:

"By mid-December I was slowly absorbing America, learning its customs and studying local automotive trends. After years of creating one-of-a-kind bodies it was a novel experience to design production lines, which sharply restricted the scope of possible silhouettes by requiring interchangeability of doors, adaptation of last year's fenders etc. At times it seemed as though I was prostituting my acquired experience of creating bodies for lines only, without considering production limitations. Still that was the fresh approach which the US body-builders looked for, and it was up to me to adjust my sights and inject original ideas into dies for mass production."

On December 24, 1928 de Sakhnoffsky received a phone call from Packard's Alvan Macauley Inviting him to Christmas dinner at the Old Town Club on East Jefferson Rd., Detroit. At that time the coachwork used in Packard's custom body program was supplied by third parties who supplied them in small lots of from 10 to 100 bodies on an as-needed basis. Each coachbuilder employed their own designers and although they claimed the bodies supplied to Packard were exclusively to them, Macauley believed the same bodies were also offered to his competitors, albeit with minor modifications.

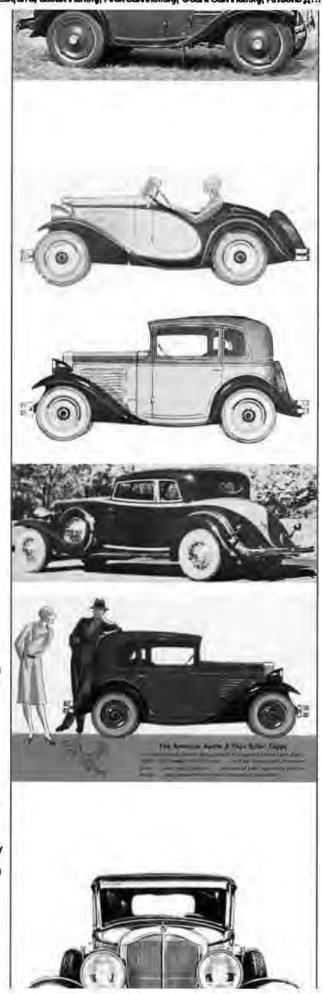
He wanted Packard to have its own exclusive custom coachwork, and invited de Sakinoffsky to form his own design studio at the firm, which would then be constructed by a custom coach builder of his own choosing. Although the young designer was tempted to take the offer, which he considered to be the opportunity of a lifetime, he asked for a few days to think it over.

Although de Sakhnoffsky had signed no written contract with Hayes he knew they

had obtained a special dispensation from the State Department to import him as a 'skilled specialist', due to an overfilled Russian quota, and understood they expected him to stay with the firm for at least a year.

However the offer still tempted him so he discussed it with the Chairman of the Board of Hayes, the same man who had originally retained his services back in Belgium. De Sakhnoffsky felt:

"... he could not afford to hurt Mecauley's feelings by choosing to remain with a less prominent Company, when he was offering me an



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Important creative position in an executive capacity."

It was mutually decided that both Hayes and de Sakhnoffsky were obligated to serve the best interest of the stockholders, so he signed a contract agreeing to stay with Hayes for the next 12 months. Hayes attorneys provided him with the following excuse to provide to Macauley. As the original 2-year work visa was issued to Hayes, and not de Sakhnoffsky, his resignation could result in his immediate deportation back to Belgium. Apparently it pacified Macauley as he repeated the offer four years later at which time the stylist had no reason to decime it.

He created a number of memorable body designs while working at Hayes, chief among them was the striking Cord L-29 coupe that won him numerous awards during the 1930s Concours season\*. The car and its owner, Countess de Saldhnoffsky, won Grand Prix (1st prize) at the 1930 Monte Carlo (Monaco) and Paris Concours d'Elegance as well as the coveted Grand Prix d'Honneur (best in show) at Beaulieu.

(\*Exactly which shows the car was entered in remains unknown - at the time Concours were held in Beaulieu (Uk.); Berlin (De.); Blarritz (Fr.); Bologne (Fr.); Cannes (Fr.); Monte Carlo (Monaco); Nice (Fr.); Paris (Fr.)and Villa d'Este (R.).

The Cord which was photographed with 'Ziegfield Girl' Marion Dodge posing next to it, was described in great detail in the July 5, 1930 issue of the Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune:

#### "AMERICAN AUTO WINS PRIZE AT MONTE CARLO

"Grand Rapids, Mich., July "5—A mountain-mist blue body, entirely devoid of straight lines, mounted on a Cord front-drive chassis, this spring brought to America for the first time the Grand Prix of the annual Monte Carlo automobile style show, and added fame to its 28-year-old designer, Count Alex de Sakhnoffsky, art director of the Hayes Body Corporation.

"Winning Grand Prix awards at Monte Carlo, however, is nothing new for de Sakhnoffsky, despite his youth and his comparatively brief experience in designing motor cars. The 1930 award was his fifth, although it marked the first victory for an all-American product.

"Last year he took the highest honor with a Packard chassis and a European body. An English Rolls-Royce was presented with the prize In 1928, and Belgian Minervas were the class of the fleids in 1927 and 1926.

"Count de Sakhnoffsky, who traces his family back to the fourteenth century, was born in Kleff, 'the mother of Russian cities.' He left his native haunts in 1920, rather than face conscription by the Reds,

going to Switzerland where he studied engineering and drafting for three years.

#### "From Dresses to Cars

"From engineering he turned to designing dresses in Paris where his mother at present runs a dress salon. His father is dead. Later he became art director of Vandenplas of Brussels, leading European coach builders.

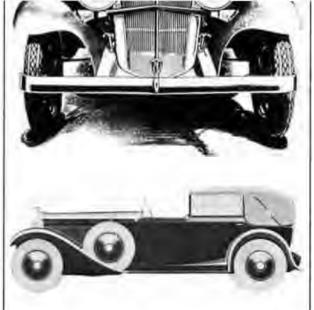
"He remained with the Belgian company five years when he sailed for America. He has been in the employ of the Hayes Body Corporation nearly two years. All his time now is devoted to the creating of artistic cars. As art-director of the Hayes concern he designed the Marmon, new Peerless and Little Austin bodies. The count also has designed a 24-passenger cabin plane by Sabca of Brussels.

"Belleving that engineers rapidly are attaining perfection in the mechanical parts of the car, Count de Sakhnoffsky asserts the car buyer is paying more attention to the beautiful lines and color schemes. He pays little attention to body construction but says his part is purely artistic.

#### "The Prize Winner

"The Grand Prix Cord has attracted no little attention, not only in America but in France where the designer was forced to keep the windows raised and the doors locked to save the masterpiece from the curious crowds.

"While in Paris the swarm was so great he was forced four times to get new door handles. The car, striped with gold, is very long, its over-all length being 175 inches. But the sweep of its lines makes it seem even longer. The long hood overlaps the cowl seven inches'.





Hood louvres are horizontal, narrow and long of the trap-door type. Even the door handles are set in such a way as to accentuate the sweep of the car's lines.

'There are no running boards, for the car is quite low and requires only, one step to the ground. Yet the car has a nine-inch clearance. But with its 137 1/2-inch wheelbase, its sweeping line, which seems to cling to the ground, and the 54-inch total height, Count de Sakhnoffsky's creation seems even lower than it actually is.

"In spite of the height of but four and a half feet, the interior offers 37 inches of headroom. The designer speaks of the car as the lowest in the world and also as the widest, the automobile having a 61-inch tread, said to be two inches wider than any car so far introduced.

The uphoistery and carpet are of rich, soft materials, the seat trimmed with old gold braid, matching the antique bronze of the interior hardware. A radio is concealed behind the seat with the loudspeaker in the floor. The radio controls are on the dash, as is specially designed ash receiver. The door frames are solid mahogany.

The rear window is wide and elliptical, the glass lowering to permit conversation with those in the rumble seat. The seat itself is opened by the driver from the inside. Spare tires are mounted in fender wells and the tire covers are of special design, opening with zippers so they may be removed from the tires without soiling. The covers are light tan, matching the top.

"The wheels are of the wire spoke type, but the wire is covered entirely with a convex plate which blends in color and design with the rest of the product."

Recently sold for 2.4 million and produced in miniature (1:16 scale) by Danbury Mint in the late 1980s, it's popularly known today as the Cord L-29 Hayes Coupe. The car was later owned by industrial designer Brook Stevens who as a young men traveled to Chicago to meet the Count. A little over a decade ago the car won Best in Class, People's Choice, and Co-Chairman's Trophy at 1997's Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance.

Although the 'Hayes Coupe' never saw series production, an elegant boat-tail speedster he designed for another one of Errett Lobban Cord's automobile holdings did. Based on a simple inverted hull, de Sakhnoffsky's Aubum speedster was produced in three series, the 8-115 in 1928, 8-120 in 1929, and the 8-125 in 1930.

Other Hayes projects that de Sakhnoffsky was involved include the 1930-1933 American Austin, the 1931-32 DeVaux, the 1929-1932 Marmon, 1929-1930 Roosevelt and the 1929-1932 Peerless. He is also thought to have designed a striking 5-passenger Convertible Victoria on a Marmon Sotteen chassis for Hayes President W. H. Hoagland (who also sat on the Nordyke-Marmon board). Coach building historian Hugo Pfau believes more than one Convertible Victoria was constructed, citing a photograph showing golf-star Bobby Jones taking delivery of his Marmon Sixteen Convertible Victoria from Jack Hendricks, Jr., manager of Marmon's Manhattan factory branch.

Although Marmon owned an adjoining body plant it was leased (one account says sold for \$200,000) to Murray in 1926, with the hopes that an experienced body builder could provide them with better-built bodies at a lower cost. The arrangement continued into late 1928 when Murray's financial difficulties prompted Marmon to abandon ship. The factory and related body contracts were turned over to Hayes, whose brilliant new art director (de Sakhnoffsky) may have helped them seal the deal. Apparently Hayes contract with Marmon wasn't exclusive as the Grand Rapkis-based body manufacturer is known to have constructed bodies for Paerless alongside bodies for Marmon and Rooseveit in the Indianapolis facility.

All three automobiles (1930-31 Marmon-Roosevelt Models 69, 79 and Big Eight and Peerless Standard 8, Master 8 and Custom 8) shared the same fenders, basic body dies and assembly focuses, with slight variations being imparted by the use of secondary dies and trim. The Marmon featured larger moldings and a slightly more artistic treatment than the Peerless which imbued with a more uniform belt molding which included an odd panel above the molding and below the window.

With the onset of the Depression, manufacturers began sharing bodies to help reduce cost. In addition to the shared Marmon-Roosevelt and Peerless line, a different Hayes body shell and fender set made its appearance on the 1932 Marmon 8-125, 1932-34 Reo Flying Cloud 6S and 1933-34 Franklin Olympic.

Automobile customers rarely compared the actual bodies, and addressed their attention to a vehicle's front end, which could be easily disguised using a different grill or front fenders. General Motors started doing it at the same time, and the practice continues today.



THE COUNT OF SAKHNOFFSKY



The following synopsis of de Sakhnoffsky presentation at the December 10, 1928

S.A.E conference appeared in the January 1929 issue of the SAE Journal:

"How Europeans View Our Cars

"Friendly and constructive criticism of American car design was made by the last speaker, Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, who has assumed direction of the newly created art department of the Haynes Body Corp. Being primarily an artist, he is concerned with creating new designs and does not take the trouble to see whether an idea is readily adaptable for production. For this reason, and because it is important to have the body and chassis designs blend into a harmonious ensemble, he believes it is desirable to have chassis designers and production engineers work in very close cooperation with the body designer. An advanced idea which the speaker advocated some time ago in Paris is that, in developing a new car design, the working out of the whole external and internal outline should be placed in the hands of "mechanical" artists, without interference by body engineers, so that every part of the car and its mechanism shall be artistic. Only when the general lines have been fixed should the body and mechanical engineers go into action to work out the mechanical details so that they fit into the visualized chassis and body.

"Large-scale production body designers, thinks Mr. Sakhnoffsky, should study the trends in custom-body building and follow them more closely in production. Although the present trend is to lengthen the hood and cowl as much as possible and to emphasize streamlining, almost all car builders in America nickel-plate the cowl bead and so break up the longitudinal effect by a bright transverse and vertical line.

"The Roosevelt was a handsome automobile, viewed from any vantage point, particularly in the optional side-mount configuration. It was the credible work of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, styling consultant to Hayes Body and Marmon, who gave it an athletic look. Reportedly he proposed, and promoted unsuccessfully, the placement of the cameo portrait on the radiator core, pendant to a necidace from the shell."

Hayes quicidy set about building up their new star, naming its new 'Alsac' line of bodies (Al-Sak for Alexis Saknhoffsky) in his honor. The Hayes-Alsac line was introduced in a series of advertisements that appeared in the 1929-early 1930 automobile trades and featured curved bottom sills and through reveals (a window reveal which ignored the inter-window - aka B & C pillars) as seen on 1930-1932 Marmon and Peerless automobiles.

A Hayes advertisement included in the January 18, 1930 issue of Michigan Manufacturer and Financial Record showed a line drawing of the Marmon 8-79 noting that:

"Already, such discerning manufacturers as Marmon and Peerless have adopted these Hayes-Alsic creations. Already, custom designers have recognized in this sound design a trend that bids Fair to win widespread popularity. Already, still other manufacturers have sensed the sales advantages this design makes possible. To an additional few progressive automobile manufacturers the creative talent of Hayes is still available. To those manufacturers and their engineers, consultation with Hayes designers and exhaustive investigation of

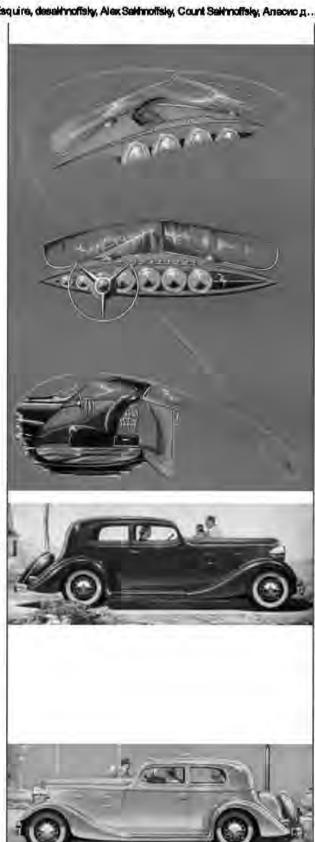
Hayes Facilities should prove profitable."

Although de Sakhnoffsky doesn't mention her in his Classic Car articles, it is assured that Countess Madeline (Parlongue) de Sakhnoffsky accompanied him when he first moved to the United States. She was most certainly here at the time of the 1930 US Census which lists the couple as residents of Grand Rapids, Michigan. In a 1933 interview he mentions her briefly, explaining that while in Belgium he met a girl who during the war had risked her life for her country in the intelligence service. She had a hatful of citations for her bravery – and also she had a pretty face and that indefinite something the stylist loved – "chic".

The April 16, 1931 issue of the Sheboygan Press included a picture of the new DeVeaux automobile which was accompanied by the following caption:

"Outstanding exterior characteristics of the new DeVaux are the distinctive V-type radiator and low, roomy body designed by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, European artist and master of coachcraft, winner of last year's Monte Carlo competition. A wide tread of 58 inches permits roomier passenger compartments in the body."

The May 31, 1931 Oakland Tribune included the following article which states that



the de Sakhnoffsky-designed coachwork would be an integral part of the advertising scheme for the DeVaux:

#### "Body Builders Plan Campaign of Advertising

"GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May — W.W. Hoagland. president and general manager of the Hayes Body Corporation, today announced the appointment of James Houlihan, Inc., as advertising counsel of his organization. He also informed members of the executive staff that James Houlihan, who will personally supervise the account, would, in the future, be a member of the executive council as well as serving as advertising and merchandising counsel.

"No announcement was made, by Hoagland concerning the plan of campaign that had been presented and approved. It was said, however, that the copy theme was a tie-in with the quality construction of Hayes bodies and the appreciation of motorists for artistry of design. It is claimed that Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, chief designer of the Hayes Body Corporation, and the man who is responsible for the body lines of the De Vaux 6-75, will be featured in much of the national advertising that is placed by the company.

"As advertising counsel to De Vaux-Hall Motors Corporation, the Houlhan organization has played an important part in the creation and introduction of the De Vaux car. The introductory campaign was created and placed by Houlihan—the heavy advertising schedule including leading national weekles and more than 3000 newspapers being placed from James Houlihan's offices."

He was also mentioned in press releases sent out by DeVaux-Hall, one of which was published verbatim in the June 7, 1931 Luddington (MI) News:

# "Three Leaders Bring Out De Vaux Auto

"Norman DeVaux, the manufacturer; Col. Elbert J. Hall, the engineer and Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, the artist—each a recognized leader in his field of endeavor, are the men who are responsible for the DeVaux automobile, product of DeVaux-Hall Motors corporation of Grand Rapids. Powered by the famous stx-port, stx-cylinder Hall motor, a creation of the internationally recognized authority on internal Combustion engines who won world-wide renown as co-designer of the Liberty motor, the DeVaux out-performs other cars in its price

"Because of its flexibility and the ease with which it is handled by women in traffic and on the highway, the DeVaux has won the approval of feminine motorists within a remarkably short time.

"In designing the body, Count de Sakhnoffsky has achieved the chic effect that is desired and appreciated by women everywhere. When Sakhnoffsky created the body lines for the DeVaux, he asked that his designs be executed by Hayes Body corporation, craftsmen of proved ability."

Although DeVaux advertisements stated that deSakhnoffsky had designed the cars coachwork, in reality the bodies he originally designed for the new car weren't actually used. Instead, leftover Hayes-built Durant bodies were supplied to DeVaux with deSakhnoffsky-designed fenders, hood and grill to update them.

The DeVaux was built in a leased portion of Hayes huge Grand Rapids plant, and its bodies transported across a second floor bridge that ran over the street that separated the two buildings. DeVaux's successor, Continental, continued to utilize various leftover Hayes-built bodies into late 1932.

De Sakhnoffsky left Hayes as soon as his two year contract was up and started taking on various free-lance assignments, one of his first projects being the design of a 15' metal runabout for the Mullins Mfg. Co. of Salam Ohio. The firm is best known today as the manufacturer of the diminutive 'Red Cap' travel trailer, but during the early thirties they were producing metal fishing boats under the Sea Eagle trade name. The March 12, 1931 Issue of the Sheboygan Press included a description of their new de Sakhnoffsky-designed craft:

# "New Model Of Motor Boat Is Displayed Here

"William F Schmitt and Son, 711-13 Center avenue, have taken over the agency in the Sheboygan territory of motor boat products of the Mulins Manufacturing corporation of Salem, Ohio. The Sea Eagle, which is featured in the line to be handled by the local representative, is being displayed in a private 'boat show' in the Hensel building, southwest comer of N. Seventh street and Center.

"The boat represents a beautiful piece of workmanship. Styled by



Count Alex de Sakhnoffsky, five times winner of the Monte Carlo Grand Prix, the craft has a hull of steel, a 4.0 horse power Lycoming motor having a speed ability of over thirty miles an hour, and a fluted bottom feature that makes it easy to manipulate it has a fine quality of finish, equipment and instruments, and two uphoistered seats having a capacity of five Three may be seated in the cockpit and two in the rear.

The Count and Countess were lucky to escape with their lives following a late May 1931 boating mishap. The May 28, 1931 Woodland Daily Democrat (California), reported on the heroic efforts of their local son:

#### "COAST BOY SAVES COUPLE

"SAN FRANCISCO — Richard P. Hurst, son of a San Francisco family, is a candidate for a Carnegie medal, following his rescue of Count and Countess Alexis de Sakhnoffsky. Hurst and the Sakhnoffskys were cruising about Lake Higgins, Michigan, when their speedboat overturned and sunk a mile from shore. Hurst dived to the bottom, disengaged the motor and permitted the craft to rise to the surface. Then he discovered the Countess, apparently sinking for the last time. He dragged her to the overturned craft, and then helped the Count to clamber aboard. Hurst, former student at Hitchcock and Palo Alto military academies, is the son of F. H. and Mrs. Hurst, of 1435 Bay street. Sk months ago he eloped with Miss Helen Houlihan, University of California co-ed."

The August 2, 1931 New York Times Motors and Motor Man column mentioned Aubum's hiring of de Sakhnoffsky as an outside consultant:

\*Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky has been appointed counsel to the body design staff of the Auburn Automobile Company, according to Herbert Snow, vice-president in charge of engineering. For five years Count Sakhnoffsky was art director of the Van Den Plas Company, coach builders of Brussels, and during that time won five consecutive Grand Prix awards at Monte Carlo Elegance contests. He also won the Grand Prix at Bournermouth, England, for automobile body designs, and a special body designed by him for the Cord front drive car won the Grand Prix at Paris, Monte Carlo and Beaulieu in 1930.\*

According to Griffith Borgeson, the well-known Cord historian, no vehicles resulted from the relationship:

'It should be noted in passing that, in August of '31, vice president in charge of engineering Herb Snow announced the addition of stylist Alexis de Sakhnoffsky as counsel to Aubum's body design staff. This no doubt was related to Sakhnoffsky's design of a striking coupe body for an L-29 chassis which he did for an independent body builder. We have been unable to identify any specific work done by him on Aubum's direct behalf."

Although no work was produced, de Sakhnoffsky's short tenure at Auburn provided him with one big benefit, Auburn successfully petitioned the Immigration Department to convert his status to one of a resident alien, which allowed him to stay in the country indefinitely. His change in status allowed him to pursue work as an independent stylist and during the next decade his freelance assignments made him a household name. Later in his career Sakhnoffsky worked with Auburn for a second time but the project was limited to illustrations for a 1935 Auburn ad campaign.

At about the same time (mid-1931) William Crapo Durant attempted to try and recoup some of his stock market losses by building a small European -style car in an unused Lansing, Michigan factory. He decided upon the French-built Mathis and invited its manufacturer, Emile Mathis, to Detroit to see if a deal could be struck. The multilingual de Sakhnoffsky was hired to arrange a series of luncheons between the two men and to inject some humor into the discussions to help alleviate the language barrier. The meetings were memorable to de Sakhnoffsky, who fondly recalled them in his Classic Car articles:

"Monsleur Mathis was a highly opinionated individual, who came to America with the idea of -showing us a thing or two, and his feelings

were very easily ruffled. He felt that his brain-child, an atrocious little vehicle with an over-sized stylized flame for the radiator cap arrament, had to be copied without any alteration. At the same time, smooth, soft-spoken veteran Durant knew that the car would not be acceptable here, even though the famous jeweler Cartier was responsible for the flame mascot. The situation came to an impasse, and I was retained as a combination interpreter-styling-moderator.

I remember particularly one incident during a lunch at the old Olds



note. After a long session which resulted in a decision to outlo 'several samples of the US version of the Mathis car, he could hardly control his irritation, 'You Americans take such a long time to make a decision,' he cried. We do not work that way in France. We are straight shooters, we make one model and hit the goal. Violal'

'I translated verbatim. The Americans did not like the remark, shook their heads and sharply questioned the French methods.

"Mathis realized that he may have gone a little too far and decided to temper his outburst with a little humor. 'All right,' he told me. 'Ask them, if they can shoot so straight why do they use rubber pads around their spittoons?"

Needless to say, the meetings did not result in the building of an American Mathis. However, Emile Mathis' journey to Detroit laid the groundwork for a successful Continental joint venture with the Ford Motor Company. The firms joined forced in 1934 to produce the Matford, the Ford-engined successor to the Mathis, which was constructed in Mathis' Strasbourg factory from 1934-1940.

In January 1932, a little over three years to the day of his initial meeting with Packard Motor Co.'s Alvan Macauley, de Sakhnoffsky was hired by Alvari's son Edward as a styling consultant to Packard's styling department. The 3-month contract stipulated that de Sakhnoffsky would devote 2 days a week to Packard projects, at a salary of \$800 per month. His role was to introduce newness to Packard styling, and to oversee the seamless integration of his own designs with that of the departing Ray Dietrich, who had recently moved on to Chrysler.

The result was de Sakhnoffsky's famous false hood, which was first seen on the 12-cylinder Packard 1108 Sport Phaeton introduced at the 1933 Century of Progress exhibition in Chicago. Additional de Sakhnoffsky touches include the slanted 'A'-plar and the transfer of the spare tire from the fender-well to the rear of the car which won the 1933 best-in-show award at the Chicago Fair.

De Sakhnoffsky was not the only person working on a false or long hood treatment at the time, and historically the 1932 Chrysler Imperial was the first American production car to be fitted with the attractive feature. That car was the work of Le Baron's Raiph Roberts who, by his own admission, had 'borrowed' it from a design he saw at the 1931 Paris Salon.

During his short stint at Packard de Sakhnoffsky designed the very un-Packard like coachwork that graced Packard's secret (R&V) front-wheel-drive 12-cylinder prototype of 1932.

De Sakhnoffsky worked as a styling consultant for Studebaker at about the same time, although what projects he contributed to - if any - are currently unknown.

He also worked for Chrysler, helping to revamp the firm's exhibits at the 1934 Century of Progress in Chicago. Although early orders for the firm's new line of

Airflow automobiles which debuted at the 1933 national auto shows, were strong, within a few months they had trickled to next to nothing and Chrysler pulled out all the stops in an effort to revive interest in the car.

Much of the interior of the Holabird and Root-designed structure were restyled by de Sakhnoffsky and Barney Oldfield and his 'Hell-Drivers' were hired to drive various Chryslers around an adjacent quarter-mile banked oval, the end of each show highlighted by barrel roll though a sandpit to demonstrate the durability of the firm's all-steel bodies.

Automotive Industries reported that:

"Each niche of the Chrysler fair building, designed by Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, was given up to major demonstrations of Chrysler car features from an engineering design view."

De Sakhnoffsky claimed to have been wiped out in the panic of 1933, but reports his income had returned to five-figures by the middle of 1934. A mid-summer 1933 visit to the West Coast was covered in the August 7, 1933 issue of the Oakland Tribune:

#### "STYLIST

"Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky is one member of the Russian nobility who finds the revolution did him good. He turns his ideas of beauty into cash by designing styles for automobiles, airplanes, refrigerators, motorboats and women's gowns.

### "RUSS COUNT IS STYLE EXPERT

"Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, whose father was a privy councilor to the Czar of Russia, and who fled his native land when a youth to become an 'engineering stylist' whose ideas of beauty find expressions





In automobiles, refrigerators, motor boats, airplanes and women's clothes, thinks the Russian Revolution did him a lot of good.

"And he thinks the upheaval also was helpful to other of his class who fied from Russia the last of the Soviet.

"It was the cry of Communism that the nobles were useless creatures wasting the wealth accumulated by the tollers.' Observed Count de Sakhnoffsky during a visit to Oakland today. 'But practically all the Russian refugees have carved out niches for themselves in commercial fields outside of Russia. They have proved their own worth.'

#### "MONEY VS. TITLES

The Count, who makes no use of his title unless Americans insist, thinks it a bit amusing that so many wealthy Americans women should be willing to trade money for 'noble' husbands. Take, for instance, the Princes M'divani; Serge, Alexis, and David, who have been marrying and divorcing American helresses, movie stars and divas for some years.

"In their native Georgia anybody who owns a thousand sheep can be a prince," commented Count de Sakhnoffsky. When Georgia was annexed to Russia, the people of the little country who were helpful to the Czar were made princes and became attached to the court.

They were looked down upon somewhat, however, because of their ignorant and half-savage customs.'

"As regards the three M'divani brothers America hears so much about their father became a prince after they were born – and their name, translated from the original tongue means secretary."

#### "ESCAPED IN 1920

"The Count, who prefers to known as Alex, escaped from Russia in 1920, when he was 17, and made his way to Switzerland, where he studied engineering. Running out of money he went to Paris and in desperation began sketching gowns, and attempting to sell sketches to couturiers.

"But a style designer can't get anywhere in Paris unless he can also cut and fit dresses,' said the Count. 'So I could get only 17 or 20 francs for a sketch, and even then didn't make a sale very often. So I turned to automobile designing.'

'Then he went to Belgium and met a girl who during the war had risked her life for her country in the intelligence service. She had a hatful of citations for her bravery – and also she had a pretty face and that indefinite something the stylist loves – 'chic'. So he married her – and even yet, after considerable years of matrimony, he designs her dresses and believes she does them credit.

# "AUTO DESIGNS WIN

"Nowadays Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky designs bodies and ornaments for some of America's finest automobiles. His automobile designs have five times in seven years won the international competition for elegance at Monte Carlo. He designs motorboat interiors, the 'outsides' of refrigerators, airplane interiors – and, for a side-line, women's gowns. His next job, he expects will be the designs of a streamline car for the new type of speed train now being planned by various railroads."

In the summer of 1933 de Sakhnoffsky had the good fortune of joining the staff of a new upscale 'Quarterly Magazine for Men', called Esquire. The well-funded Hearst publication appeared on the news-stands in October of 1933 and included a number of technical illustrations by de Sakhnoffsky who was eventually given a permanent position as its technical illustrator. The magazine's debut proved so popular, that its January 1934 issue marked its debut as a monthly. To make sure everyone was aware of that fact the following press release was published in Hearst's newspapers during the first week of 1934:

# "MAGAZINE TO BE ISSUED MONTHLY

With the exception of Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Esquire's most widely known and violently discussed contributor, and one or two others, the array of artists and writers who marked the debut of Esquire, the magazine for men, has returned in toto for the second issue, which marks the debut of the magazine as a monthly publication.

"Fairbanks was to do an expose on Hollywood's male stars, but missed



the mail boat from London with his manuscript, while others who attended the inception of ESQUIRE but will not be found in the

current issue, have been replaced by such luminaries as Paul Morand, Andre Maurois, Emil Ludwig, Westbrook Pegler, Jack Dempsey and others.

"Esquire, incidentally, has been enlarged to 160 pages, a third more, than were contained in the first issue, and 40 of these are in full color. Emest Hemingway again is well up in the list, this time with a Spanish letter that has to do with bullfights, stranded American writers and the country in general. Other writers of "non-fiction" (for the contents may best be summarized in departments) are Paul Morand, who prepares the world for the coming of the cocktail. Ex-President of France, Alexander Millerand and Owen Johnson, who very nearly come to blows on 'Two Sides of France.'

"Frederick Van Ryn, who collaborated with Grand Duke Alexander on his much discussed memoirs that created enough interest to make a sequel necessary, writes about America and its congressmen. Fred C. Kelly, Edward M. Harrows, Louis Joseph Vance, Louis Golding and Pitts Sanborn, among others, write of subjects ranging from bridge and exclusive clubs to London, music and real estate.

\*Fiction is represented by Thomas Burke, Andre Maurols, Morley Callaghan. Pierre Mills and others.

"Regular features include Gilbert, Seides, who writes of radio; Burton Bascoe, of books; John V. A. Weaver of the stage; Stuart Rose on etiquette, and Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky on the Illusion of Speed.

"George Ade, Montague Glass, Irwin S. Cobb, Geoffrey Kerr, Robert Buckner and Dwight Fiske make up the humor category with respectively, a one-act play, a discussion of marriage, a tale of fishing, a portrait of a butler, honor among the French, and Fiske of course with his riotous rendition of 'Mrs. Pettibone.'

"Under the heading, 'Personalities' come Emil Ludwig with a sketch of Charile Chaplin as the first of a series to include Hitler, Stalin and the Prince of Wales. John Dos Passos tells the story of 'Speedy' Taylor - high mogul of production. Editor Amold Gingrich, whose 'Poor Man's Night Club,' a treatise on the 'Walkathon' in the first issue, aroused considerable comment, repeats with the 'Bedtime Story Teller'.

"Westbrook Pegler, Jack Dempsey and Bobby Jones head the sports department list. Joseph Auslander and Audrey Wurdemann remain the only two writers of verse. Auslander with 'Night Court,' morbid sequel to his 'Down at the Morgue'; Miss Wurdemann with 'The Court of Anger,' second of the seven deadly sins. Incidentally, Esquire's poetry department has merged since the first issue, Miss Wurdemann, who hails from Seattle, and Mr. Auslander, who writes from Manhattan, having been married during the past month.

"Cartoons in color by John Croth, E. Simms Campbell, Wm. Staig. Howard Baer and D. McKay make Esquire colorful."

January 1934 also marked the debut of the 1934 Nash, whose design was a joint project of de Sakhnoffsky and Budd, its production body supplier. His 'Speedstream Styling' extended from the front grill to the spats covering the real wheels, about which MoTor magazine commented:

"Shlakis for the rear wheels, optional at small extra cost, constitute an innovation which should become popular."

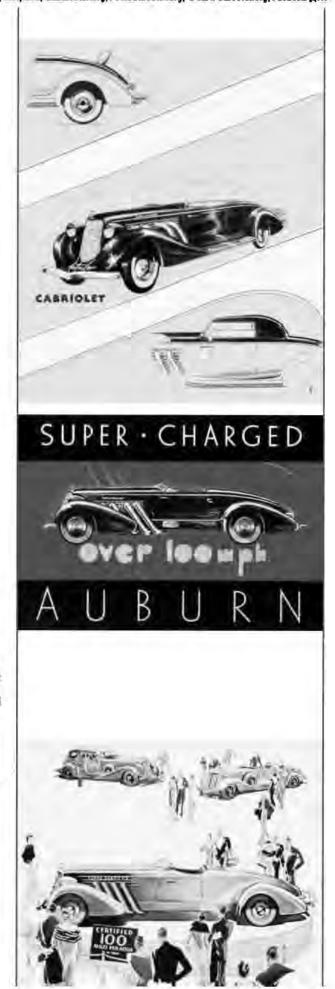
It didn't, but the car was generally well-received, as evidenced by the February 6, 1934 issue of the Wisconsin State Journal:

"Streamlining Seen Even in Dignified Car

"Nash Designer Adds Style to Stald Cars

"Count Alexis do Sakhnoffsky, Russian noblemen and internationally prominent designer of things mechanical from fountain pens and radios to the new 1934 Nash models, has in the February issue of Esquire presented to the automobile public eye a modern and advanced conception of stream lining and illusion of speed applied to types which for years past, have been anonymous with cumbersome dignity and slow speed.

"A type of vehicle always associated with slow motion, a dowager occupant and an old, old driver, is the chauffeur driven town car, writes Sakhnoffelix. "Not the misnamed close coupled serian called



town car by some sales manager ignoring the traditional names of bodies, but the good old square two-passenger car with no roof over the driver's head.'

# Tools In Running Board

"Almost extinct in the U.S.A. where it is seldom encountered even in the largest cities, it is still considered a smart vehicle in Europe, and every year quite a few of them are shown at the Paris Salon. And it is entirely erroneous to consider it solely a dowager car, because a lot of the young continental people use them as part of their line of cars. Our problem will be in incorporating the latest streamline features into this slightly antiquated model."

"The details which 'make' the design include new funnel type louvers in the hood, a racing type compartment with a V windshield and both are out for the elbow. A new type running board which was originated by H.M. Coachbuilders Barker and Co. and having an airfoll surface completes the streamline effect. The practical nature of this running board is that it brings out a side door hinged at the bottom, giving access to a spacious tool compartment."

#### "Victoria Goes Modern

"The courtesy light is sunk into the top portion of the rear running board and is illuminated when the door is open. Finally an opera light with the owners own color combination is streamlined into the front partition. Its individual color will help to locate your car in the long stream of automobiles at the Opera entrance."

"Another type of body apparently derived from one more old timer is fast becoming the most fashlonable type of vehicle on the continent, but as yet is practically unknown here. The Victoria top which makes it so distinctive is a modernized version of a collapsible top widely used in the horse-drawn carriage days. When folded it is stowed away flush with the sides into a compartment back of the rear seats. The advantage to shit type of body is that an extension can be

quickly fastened to the front of the top, joining it to the windshield. By winding up the door windows you obtain a regular five-passenger Victoria."

In an interview with stylist/historian Dave G. Holls, industrial designer (and onetime Nash stylist) Don Mortrude provided insight into the problems de Sakhnoffsky presented to Nash's body engineer, Nils Erik Wahlberg:

"Alex Sakhnoffsky came in and tried to woo Wahlberg. Sakhnoffsky was in there making drawings for Nash long before we came into the picture. He made all kinds of fancy drawings right there in front of Wahlberg and Wahlberg's eyes were bugging. Alex was just giving him the old Sakhnoffsky show. And then when Nash tried to build his stuff from just perspective illustrations—pencil sketches on black paper—why they had one helluva time trying to transpose those designs into reality."

Although Wahlberg and company where happy so see de Sakhnoffsky leave, the designs he created provided some much-needed traffic into Nash's showrooms, as well as an occasional mention in the national press as evidenced by the following item that was included in the April 29, 1934 issue of the Wisconsin State Journal:

### "Nash Designer Sees Trend

"Alexas de Sakhnoffsky, Russian royalist and designer of the new 1934 Nash, gives, in the May Isaue of Esquire magazine, an insight into just what the trend in automobile streamlining tends to be in the very near future.

"Appealing directly to the modern Normad, Sakhnoffsky pictures his conception of a highway cruiser formed by linking together a medium powered coupe and a palatial trailer. The vehicle combines the luxury of Pullman comfort but with total disregard for time-tables, and is large enough to accommodate a dozen people comfortably. Bookshelves, leather trimmed walls, serving as a protection from occasional bumps, radio, bright chrome window mouldings, a long rear light, and a large modern clock, are the useful and decorative details.

"An optional convenience is a complete bar which occupies the front end of the trailer and boasts of flat, square bottles fitting snugly into labeled compartments, a row of square decanters, and double beer taps.

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and trailer, an effect that is emphasized by the V-windshields and matching color treatment."

The Vollrath Co., a Sheboygan, Wisconsin-based cookware manufacturer, was another client of de Sakhnoffsky's at the time, his name being included in the firm's display advertisements as follows:

The striking, modern, streamline beauty of "Kook King" Ware is the achievement of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, a designer of international fame. Flavor Seal Rim on pots, pans and sauce pots retain the valuable food vitamins. Hollowsteel lifters on enameled covers, side grips on pots and pans, handles on sauce pans are shaped to fit the hand, and gas-welded —cannot come loose or burn.

No grooves or crevices to catch water or grease. Many other distinctive features, and the famous Vollrath Quality guaranteed."

An article in the March 30, 1935 Twin Falls Daily News mentions his work with Vollirath:

"Pots 'N' Pans Go Streamline Under Count's Direction

\*Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, famed engineering stylist, who turned away from a successful career in designing fashkonable gowns to bring his ideas of streamline design to other fields, points to the kitchen as a place where women should receive the benefits of modern design.

"Count Sakhnoffsky, whose illustrations in Esquire magazine have gained wide recognition for the streamline design he fosters, has applied his kleas of style with notable success to such varied products as suspenders, automobiles, airplanes, women's dresses and foundation garments. It is his favorite contention that pots and pans should have the same sweeping beauty of design and illusion of speed that a women appreciates in her automobile. To this end he aiready has designed an electric iron which looks forever as if it were about to take off on a speed night about the room. He also has drawn up plans for teakettles and other kitchen were which are as handsome and practical as they are radical. Count Sakhnoffsky points out that the same elements of beauty and harmony of line which a woman instinctively seeks in her gowns, are just as important in her refrigerator and can contribute as much to her sub-conscious comfort."

Hearst had de Sakhnoffsky contribute items for its newspaper chain, an example which was syndicated by Hearst in July of 1934 - follows:

"Next: Streamlined Humans

"By Madelin Blitzstein, Everyweek Magazine (a fictitious Hearst periodical)

"Since the Great God of our modern era is speed and ever greater speed, the result on every hand is what we call streamlining. Look at our most rapid automobiles, our swiftest trains, our most mercurial aeropianes, our fleetest motorboats. All the very newest models suggest speed with ever-increasing emphasis, and succeed in giving the Busion of velocity even when they are standing still. But when we face ourselves in the mirror or look at each other, what do we find?

The same old-fashioned body, head and limbs, the same ears that stick out like handles on a sugar bowl, the same protruding; nose that offers severe wind resistance, hair, that occurs in the wrong places and interferes with the best principles of design, coloring that is often diametrically opposed to the fundamentals of artistic ornament.

"And now an internationally famous engineering stylist steps forward with a twinkle in his eye to present a plan for bringing the human body up-to-date on the streamline principles which he has applied with phenomenal success to a host of inanimate objects. Look as if you, too, are going places and doing things in a speedy, 1934 way - that is the advice of tall, slender, Slavic Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky.

"Why, he asks, shouldn't men and women have their cars clipped to a torpedo raciness, get their trunks wind-curved, be equipped with a set of toe-less, graceful feet and possess a flitering device which will give them pure rather than germ-laden air?

"Not only has the count, who is to become an American citizen in a year and a half, and prefers to be called just plain Mister or, better yet, Alex, been thinking about what streamlined humans should look





from which have come designs for streamlined radios and refrigerators, and drawn concrete examples of the ideal form toward which he feels genuine moderns should be striving.

"Count Sakhnoffsky, though only 32, has already had an arrazingly crowded and active career since his boyhood in Kiev, in southern Russia. When the war broke out, the count was too young to fight, but in 1920 he fought with the White Russian Army against the Bolsheviks.

That same year he fled, with his mother and sisters, to Marseilles, and a little later he went to the Engineering School of the University of Lausanne, in Switzerland. It was there that the count was first inspired with the streamline idea. After three years of school he went to Paris, and before long he was working at the Vanden Plas auto plant in Brussels.

"Soon enough the young engineer's talent brought him the admiration of his superiors; he was asked to write for French and American trade magazines on the future shapes which automobiles would take; he made a mottled aluminum sports car for big-game hunting by order of the Prince de Ligne; and he advanced to the post of art director of the firm in a very short time.

"In that position he made designs for Rolls-Royce, Minerva, Hispano-Sulza and Bentley cars. In 1928 he came to the United States, and in 1930 an automobile of his design, the Cord, took first place at the same Monte Carlo competition.

"Since then the count has been hopping from place to place and object to object, putting his inimitable streamline touch on frying pans, tea pots, motorboats, aeroplanes, haberdashery, cigar lighters, jewelry and ice-boxes. But he thinks the most fascinating idea upon which he spends much thought is the possibility of streamlining human beings.

"Perhaps people, will call me crazy,' said the count, 'but they will have to admit that I have plenty of imagination.'

"Everyone will agree with me that the faster, accelerated tempo in which we work and play, eat and sleep, travel and fly today, needs and requires snappler reactions and simpler shapes."

"In the midst of all this advance, man remains the same as he always was. He is immentably old-fashioned and I think it is time he were changed. Don't think for a minute that I advocate the robots visualized by cubists. Far from it. Nor do I hanker for anything bizarre or freakish."

"But I do think that a little foolproof functioning would go a long way. When a mechanic tears a motor apart, and sees what's inside, he often says to himself: I would not have put it together that way. I would have put the valves further apart and the spark plugs in a different place."

"When a surgeon opens a body, doesn't he often think to himself: "Some support should have been put under this floating kidney. Why was this appendix ever included?" That is the attitude with which I approach the old-fashioned, human body."

"I think it would be fine if we could make the air we breathe pass through some filtering apparatus before it reaches our lungs. Everyone knows that an automobile motor is fed with gas, oil, water and air scientifically purified."

"And yet we breathe microbes, pollens and other irritating and harmful substances. Something should be done about this."

"But health is not the only angle. If you think of the enormous number of people who patronize plastic surgeons and the depliatory industry, you will easily see how far from perfect we think we are. Why, people first realized this imperfection of the human body when they invented clothes."

"And now I say fearlessly that we are not 'up-to-date models. We need redesigning."

"Look at the feet. Toes . . . ghastly! I should lop off those abominations and streamline the feet so that there would be no left and right and shoes would be interchangeable."





"Is there anything more ugly than an ear? Why, they tape back the ears of Hollywood Adonises when they are engaged in the business of emoting. Ears should look more like racing car fenders if they are to add beauty and design to the human body."

"Our cumbersome body is an enectronism. We must trim it; push it in here and pull it out there until the whole has the appearance of being caressed into shape by a gentle breeze. The nose as well as the ears must be brought into the proper line, to look right."

"Then there is the matter of decoration. Coloring is often used effectively on bodies today, but. There are insufficient highlights. To produce good highlights, hair can be used decoratively. At present, hair is used without much method. It should be used only as accents like lipstick instead of profusely as it is now used on the human body."

"I favor the organization of a great committee or world-wide conference, to be located in the United States, the most advanced-country in the world today. To this conference, each country should send two delegates, one a distinguished surgeon, the other a famous artist."

"The chairman of the conference will say to the delegates: Let your imagination run loose. Suppose there are no barriers to the execution of your ideal. Don't drift too far. Start from the existing model which we urge you to improve."

"IMMEDIATELY suggestions will pour in. The committee will then have the job of picking out the best of all, combining them into a perfect human being, building it in tour dimensions properly described so as to avoid misinterpretations, copyrighting it for use on the Planet Earth only, other planets to pay royalty if wanted, and conveying it in a specially-built apparatus to the special heaven where man was designed so mysteriously, centuries ago."

"I know that my ideas on beauty and design are not the ultimate. But seriously I want to start the ball rolling in the interests of humanity, for I do feel that the old-fashioned human body can be made up-to-date by application of the principles of streamlining."

"Count Sakhnoffsky believes that streamlining is not just a fashion nor a short-lived decorative scheme but something that, represents the requirements of the age we live in. He calls himself an engineering stylist for he believes that title is the modern equivalent of industrial designer.

"In former days color was necessary for design, but today we redesign the object itself by developing new shapes,' the count points out, in support of his thesis."

It is estimated that de Sakhnoffsky divorced his first wife Madeleine, sometime during late 1934, the October 5, 1934 New York Times reporting on a trip to the Continent by the Count and Countess:

# \*Ocean Travelers

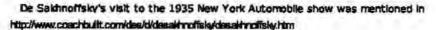
"The North German Lloyd liner Europa will sail tonight for Channel ports and Bremen. Among her passengers will be: ... Mr. & Mrs. Alexis de Sakhnoffsky ..."

As to which 'Countess' he was sailing with - Number 1 or number 2 - is a matter of conjecture, his marriage to number 2, the former Phoebe Ethleene Frasier, is reported to have taken place in New York during 1935 after a "lifteen-month romance". Perhaps he was returning number 1 (Madeleine) to Europe after which he would pick up number 2 when he arrived back in New York. The November 25, 1934 Issue of the Wisconsin State Journal claims he was still in Europe studying:

\*Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, who is 'technical fashion editor' of Esquire and is now touring Europe to study new developments in stream line, offers some novel suggestions in predicting the streamlined car you may expect for Christmas – 1935.

"A narrow radiator effect,' Sakhnoffsky writes, 'is achieved by running the decorative chrome strips in two different directions, the vertical strips making the radiator look much narrower than it actually is.'

"The fenders are of a parabolic shape, streamlined into the side of the body. Strips of Chromium are used to give added protection, as well as to enhance the decorative value, of this expensive sheet metal effect."





the January 8, 1935 New York Times:

\*PRODUCTION GAIN SEEN FOR AUTOS; Show Official Says Revived Public Interest Indicates Better Year Than 1934.

The first full day at the automobile show yesterday brought capacity crowds to Grand Central Palace to view the 200 or more models of new cars displayed on three floors of the building. Before the doors opened at 10:30 A.M., more than 400 persons waited in two long lines at the Lexington Avenue entrance...

"It was Artist's Day yesterday and a number of painters, illustrators and others in the profession visited the exposition. Among those listed by the show committee were Wallace Morgan, president of the Society of Illustrators, a member of the new Municipal Art Committee created by Mayor LaGuardla; Dean Comwell, Bradshaw Crandell, C.D. Williams, Russell Patterson, Helen Dryden, Walter Dorwin Teague, Lynn Bogue Hunt, Peter Helck, McClelland Barclay, Ray Greenleaf, Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, Denys Wortman, Clayton Knight, Frank Godwin, Lejaren a Hiller, Ethel Plummer, Arthur William Brown, John La Gatta, William Falrchild and Emest Lynn Stone."

Between 1929 and 1934 De Sakhnoffsky gave his address as Grand Rapids, which was followed by a 5-year residence in Philadelphia, the 1940 US Census providing a 106 N. State St., Chicago address. Ethleene's stated age is 31-yo, Alexis' 40-yo and his occupation auto designer.

In 1934 de Sakhnoffsky was hired as a styling consultant by the Gruen Watch Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio. They were about to introduce their Curvex watch and wanted the Count's input on the design of it dial and case. He had nothing to do with the revolutionary movement which was designed by Bienne, Switzerland's Emile Frey and dates to a patent he originally applied for in 1929. On April 26, 1932 he was awarded U.S. patent No. 1855952 which he assigned to Gruen. The Curvex claimed to be 'the world's first truly curved wrist watch' and was sold using the catchphrase 'your curved wrist deserves the world's only truly curved watch'.

Numerous men's and women's Curvex were produced during the coming decade and de Saknoffsky's original 1934 design served as the basis for the models introduced during the thirties which included the two most popular styles, the long, thin calibre 311 of 1935 and the 330 of 1937. Period ad copy mentioned the Count as follows:

"Styled by Count Alexis de Sekhnoffsky, that genius of industrial design, built to exacting standards of Gruen and tested to split second life and death accuracy by Commander Frank Hawks - what more can money buy.

"Only the world-famous genius of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky combined with Gruen time-honored craftsmanship could produce a watch such as Curvex - uniting brilliant beauty and pocket-watch accuracy!"

E.L. Cord's advertising agency hired de Sakhnoffsky to illustrate the new 1935 Auburn line in a series of ads that appeared in the country's top-selling magazines during the year. Midway through 1935 he was hired as a styling consultant by the Kelvinator Corp., at that time the nation's largest manufacturer of refrigerators, the July 21, 1935 Parls News (TX) reporting:

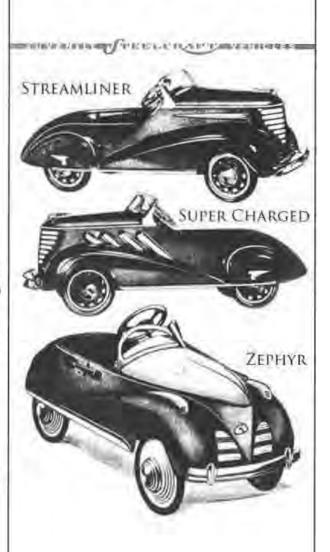
# \*SAKHNOFFSKY HEAD STYLIST

"Farred Artist of Esquire Designs Kelvinators

"The same elements of beauty and harmony of line - which, women seek in gowns are the same which more and more are ruling the design of kitchen appliances according to Fred Caddel of the Arthur Caddel company, local Kelvinator dealer, who Saturday related the interesting fact that Count Alexas de Sakhnoffsky, famed engineering stylist, is consulting stylist of Kelvinator Corporation.

"County Sakhnoffsky, whose automobile illustrations in Esquire magazine have gained wide recognition of his streamline principles of design, has applied his ideas of style with notable success to such varied products as automobiles, airpianes, electric irons, women's dresses, foundation garments, suspenders and tea-kettles.

"It is his favorite contention that pots and pans – 'should have the same sweeping beauty of design that a women appreciates in her gowns and her automobile. A women should not have to experience a slowing down feeling when she walks into her kitchen, and, should have things around her that look as trim and speedy as the rest of her world'.





THE NEW COMPLETELY STREAMLINED Bodel 1st Deluxe Panel truck, powered by the famous White-built, six-cylinder Pep Hend sugine with screwed in Stellite valve seats, four-wheel booster-operated hydraulic brakes, and automatically air-conditioned cab. This track was styled exclusively for the White Motor Company by Count Alexis de Sakknoffsky, internationally famed hodgatrial stylist.

"The appointment of Count Sakhnoffsky as engineering stylist for Kelvinator Corporation is another example of the sincere effort which Kelvinator always is making to keep its products shead of the field in both appearance and performance, Mr. Caddel said. He pointed out that the P35 Kelvinator models now on display at the local company's showroom represent the latest achievements in both cabinet design and technical performance. Sales records in Kelvinator showrooms all over the country further indicate that these new models in all probability will enable Kelvinator to establish, a new high sales record for 1935."

Earlier in the year he accepted a similar position with the White Motor Company of Cleveland, Ohio - the September 8, 1935 issue of the New York Times reporting:

#### "New White Trucks

"The White Motor Company last week announced a new series of trucks headed by the White 704, designed by Count Alexas de Sakhnoffsky, industrial stylist, and said to be the first completely streamined truck in the world. R.F. Black, president of the company, said that 500 orders for the new model were placed before it went into production and that he expected subsequent orders to double the production of the Cleveland plant in the remaining months of the year. Preparations are being made, he added, to produce from 15,000 to 20,000 units of the new model next year.

\*The White 704 is powered by the str-cylinder, White-built Pep Head 270-Inch engine with screwed-in valve seats; it has four-wheel booster hydraulic brakes and the chassis is built of heat treated steel. It is equipped with what is said to be the first automatic airconditioned cab ever placed on a truck. It is in the 11/2-2 ton field and the chassis is priced at \$1,240, f.o.b. factory. Its chassis may be obtained with a standard body.

\*Other new models in the line range from the small model 703 to the 709 A in the 3-4 ton field."

Designed in collaboration with White's Vicktor Schreckengost the new White line went on sale that fall, an October 10, 1935 display advertisement mentions his involvement:

"THE NEW COMPLETELY STREAMLINED Model 70S Deluxe Panel truck. powered by the farrous White-built, sk-cylinder Pep Head engine with screwed in Stellite valve seats, four-wheel booster-operated hydraulic brakes, and automatically air-conditioned cab. This track was styled exclusively for the White Motor Company by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, Internationally famed Industrial stylist."

The November 3, 1935 issue of the New York Times announced White's return to the New York Automobile Show after a 20-year histus:

"WHITE'S NEW STREAMLINED TRUCK AMONG THE EXHIBITS AT THE SHOW

"FOR the first time in twenty years, White trucks are being exhibited at the New York Automobile Show. The purpose is to display the company's streamlined trucks introduced a short time ago. They were designed by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, motor vehicle stylist and winner of the Grand Prix in Paris for six consecutive years.

"In addition to appearance and automatic air conditioning of the cab, emphasis has been placed on new safety features in the construction of the truck.

\*These include oversize four-wheel hydraulic brakes, equipped with a new type of power booster; rugged, heat-treated frames and a White-designed and built engine said to have unusual responsiveness.

"Road tests, covering 100,000 miles in the mountains of Pennsylvania, were made before the new models were announced. Motion pictures of these tests are a featured of the exhibit at the show.

"More than 700 orders for the trucks were placed prior to the first announcement, it is reported by Robert F. Black, White president. H Three shifts a day are being employed with payrolls at their highest have been received from all forty-eight States and twenty-seven

added that production has been doubled at the factory in Cleveland. point since 1929. Since the new models were first introduced, orders countries, it is said."



with the 1937 model year.

De Sakhnoffsky's advertising work for Auburn during the year caused a slight kerfuffle when the existence of E.L. Cord's new front-wheel-drive Auburn was leaked by Louis M. Schneider, a McClure Newspaper syndicated columnist in his 'Financial Whirligig' column of November 13, 1935:

"The new Auburn Automobile offering is a creation of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky. He's the man who designed the streamlined White Motor truck. And - he's the man who styled the buckles on the Pioneer Suspenders. Versatile, what?"

Although the vehicle in question, which debuted a month later as the Cord 810, looked as if it had been designed by Sakhnoffsky - it was actually the work of Gordon M. Beuhrig, E.L. Cord's brilliant young designer, although the firm never gave Buehrig credit for his work. Schneider issued a retraction in the following week's column (dated Nov. 20, 1935):

#### \*Correction

"Last week your correspondent stated that 'the new Auburn auto mobile offering is a creation of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky'. That isn't so. The model was created and designed by Gordon Miller Beuhig\* of Auburn Ind. Patents for the design are owned by Cord Corporation."

# (\*should be Gordon Miller Buehrlg)

The matter was finally put to rest by Automotive Daily News' Chris Sinsabaugh, who wrote in his November 30, 1935 column:

"Since Roy Faulkner sprung his sensational Cord front-drive at the New York Show it has been gossiped around that the body designing was an outside job: that is the work had been done by a consultant brought in for the occasion. Now I have it on the authority of Faulkner that the credit belongs to Gordon Buehrig, who has been in charge of designing work at Auburn for two years and who was with Duesenberg several years prior to this. The design is covered by design patents in Buehrig's name, which have been assigned to the Cord Corp."

On the same day (November 30, 1935), Sakhnoffsky sent the following wire to Buehrig:

"G. M. Buehrig, Director Design Department, Aubum Automobile Company

"Re letter: can assure you have never claimed any participation design nineteen thirty six Cord car - stop - Believe your design was the only refreshing note at the New York Show - stop - You are free to use this statement in any way you desire.

"Alexis de Sakhnoffsky"

On a similar note, de Sakhnoffsky is sometimes given credit for the design of the Burlington Route Zephyr streamliners. He was hired to draw renderings of the Zephyr for advertising purposes but had nothing to do with its design or engineering which was handled by a five-man team; Budd engineers Earl J. Ragsdale and Walter B. Dean, aeronautical engineer Albert Gardner Dean (Walter's brother), architect John Harbeson and Industrial designer Paul Philippe Cret.

The confusion derives from several factors, a statement by the Count stating he was working on the design of a passenger train, the second a number of streamlined trains he drew for Esquire, and the third a set of playing cards issued by Burlington Route that feature a de Sakhnoffsky-penned rendering of a Zephyr in motion.

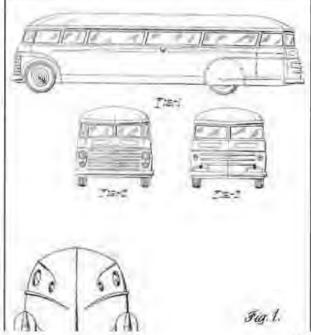
Although two year earlier, the count had expounded upon streamlined human beings, a February 26, 1936 Hearst Newspapers 'tidbit' shows a slight reversal of his earlier stance:

"There can be no such thing as streamlined wearing apparel. There are certain well defined lines beyond which we cannot go. — Count Alexs de Sakhnoffsky, authority on streamlined design."

Both White, de Sakhnoffsky, and the Bender Body Co. were kept busy during late 1935 and early 1936 readying the Cleveland truck manufacturer's exhibit at the upcoming Great Lakes Exposition. White and Bender were also pegged to supply the Exposition with people movers, which were constructed using a streamlined White tractor mated to a de Sakhnoffsky-designed, Bender-built, trailer bus.

Prior to the Great Lakes Exposition, de Sakhnoffsky had been involved in another well-known White Bender collaboration, a series of thirty-seven ranges-tonned





15- to 19-passenger buses constructed for the Glacier Park Transport Co., the sole recognized transport concessioner at Montana's Glacier National Park. The Count, F.W. Black (White's president) and Herman Bender were all credited with the design of the coaches, which were delivered between 1935 and 1937 and cost the Transport Co. a reported \$5,000 each.

An August 1936 White press release included the following description of the Bender-built White Dream Coach, which was just one of many de Sakhnoffskystyled Whites displayed at the Exposition which was held along the southern shore of Lake Erie in Cleveland, Ohio from June 27 to October 4, 1936 and May 29 to September 6, 1937:

#### "Dream Coach Produced

"Rocket ships and stratospheres, popular symbols of transportation of the future, are not likely to be commonplace to the next generation. But a vehicle equally stimulating to the imagination has already been built to provide a glimpse into the future of highway travel and to test the public's reaction to a revolutionary type of bus.

"Known as the 'Dream Coach of 1950,' this amazing vehicle will carry bus riders of the future over their super-highways with greater safety, speed and comfort than any form of highway transportation so far developed.

"Several large national manufacturers cooperated in producing the Dream Coach for exhibition at the Great Lakes Exposition this summer. It was styled by the internationally noted authority on streamlining. Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, famous for his work on articulated trains, air transports, streamlined trucks, and other advanced forms of modern transportation.

"Among the Dream Coach's many unique features is a complete air conditioning plant, making it the world's first air conditioned coach, completely independent of outside weather conditions. The sheer novelty of this advance cannot be appreciated without actually experiencing a ride, in the Dream Coach. Strong winds, dust and rain are sealed outside the completely insulated body with its closed, double-glazed windows. Road noises, too, are completely eliminated. The passenger sees and feels himself being transported, but that is all. The accompanying noise of travel to which his cars have been so long accustomed, are completely lacking. A ride is a unique and unforgettable experience.

True air conditioning involves the automatic control of temperature, humidity, circulation, and purity of the air. Lacking any one of these, air conditioning is not complete. The problem of applying complete air conditioning even to buildings is of comparatively recent solution. Its difficulty is not to be compared with developing a lightweight, mobile unit suitable for a moving bus.

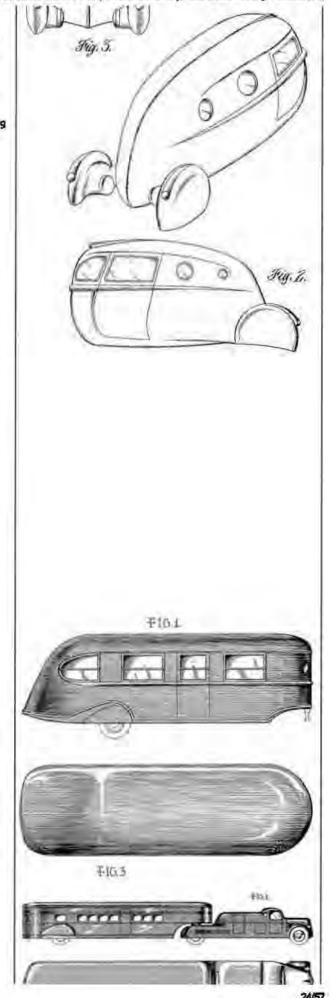
Transportation authorities are enthusiasting about its possibilities for making the highway coach of tomorrow as comfortable in all kinds of weather as a modern air conditioned living room. With the perfection of super-highways, they see the last obstacle to perfectly comfortable highway transportation removed.

"In commenting on the styling of the Dream Coach its originator, Count Sakhnoffsky, points out that all restrictions imposed by practical considerations have been taken into account. Although unique in appearance, the Dream Coach's design is thoroughly practical. Its scientifically streamlined exterior offers a minimum of wind resistance in motion. This is important to fuel economy and smooth riding because in a vehicle as large as a bus this factor is many times greater than in a passenger car.

"A special type of reclining airplane seats was developed especially for the Dream Coach. The seat spacing is unusually large and both the seat backs and cushions arc of a new type of sponge rubber."

Souvenir postcards issued during the second year (1937) of the Great Lakes Exposition depict de Sakhnoffsky's Dream Coach and the recently constructed Labatt's streamlined tractor-trailer:

"Souvenir. Great Lakes Exposition. Cleveland. The World's Greatest exhibit of streamlined trucks and busses, styled by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, is presented by the White Motor Company, in the Automotive Building at the Great Lakes Exposition. Included in the exhibit are: the first White Steam Car, loaned by the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C.; The Dream Coach of 1950-the world's first air-conditioned coach; the White12-cylinder "pancake" engine;



These pretty Yoemenettes, bedecked in ear muffs, are shown shivering as they christen the coolest spot in town, inside the aircooled white "Dream Coach of 1950," which is part of the outstanding exhibit of the Great Lakes Exposition now running at Cleveland. The "Dream Coach," styled by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, is the feature attraction in the White Motor Company exhibit in the Exposition's Automotive Building. The air-cooling system, first ever placed in a motor coach, was developed by Kelvinator engineers."

The story of the Labatts streamliner, undoubtedly de Sakhnoffsky's best-known design, is an interesting one. Although most Canadian Provinces repealed Prohibition during the mid-twenties, Canadian brewers, vintners and distillers were prohibited from advertising their beverages in the Province of Ontario into the 1950s. During the 30s and 40s brightly colored aerodynamic delivery trucks were bulk for numerous Canadian alcoholic beverage manufacturers to provide them with some much-needed publicity.

The most outrageous of the bunch featured White chassis, Fruehauf trailers and Smith Bros. (of Toronto) coachwork, all designed by de Sakhnoffsky. In 1935 White received an order from the London, Ontario brewer John Labatt Ltd. to create an eye-catching show-piece for the 1936 CNE (Canadian National Exhibition - opened on August 28, 1936). White's London office presented the project to the firm's Cleveland-based designs studio who recommended Sakhnoffsky for the design portion of the project.

According to Labatt's, de Sakhnoffsky produced four streamlned tractor-trailers designs, whose introduction was to be stretched over the upcoming decade, each one more futuristic and streamlined than the previous.

The first, of which 4 examples were built, debuted in 1936. It featured a basically stock White Motor Co. of Canada Ltd. single axie tractor cab & chassis mated to a Fruehauf of Canada Ltd. single-axle drop-frame trailer chassis which bore aerodynamic Smith Bros. coachwork built using an ash and maple framework sheathed with hand-formed sheet-aluminum panels.

Toronto's Smith Bros. customized the tractor/cab, adding custom running boards that flowed into the rear fenders, whose distinctive spats metched the ones on the rear of the trailer. According to Labetts, the distinctive firm's red paint and striking gold graphics were applied in Labatt's own paint shop.

In a 1978 article Toronto-based Canadian transport historian Rolland Lewis Jerry (b.1924-d.2002) states that the Phildalephia-based de Saknoffsky "came to Canada in the mid-30s" but provides no further details.

In mid-1937 the second series, a more advanced design - which included a streamined White model 812 cab mated to a matching Fruehauf drop-deck trailer debuted. Twelve examples were constructed in Smith Bros. shop, all of which wore Labett's red & gold color scheme, which was once again applied in Labett's London, Ontario paint shop.

One of the first examples of the second series was readied in time for White to display it at the 1937 Great Lakes Exhibition after which it returned to Toronto where it was the star of the brewer's exhibit at the 1937 Canadian National Exhibition. It was later sent to the 1939 New York World's Fair where it was awarded 'Best Design'.

The June 20, 1937 Motors and Motor Men column of the New York Times reported on the increased efficiency of the de Sakhnoffsky-designed beer transporters:

"Tests made recently by transportation engineers for John Labatt, Ltd., brewers of London, Canada, proved that revolutionary style in truck design and for increased efficiency and low cost operation per unit. The Canadian Company placed an order with the White Motor Company for additional all-streamlined cab-over-engine tractor-trailer units, one of which is now on display at the Great Lakes Exposition in Cleveland. They are to be radically styled by Count Alexas de Sakhnoffsky. Two trucks, one streamined and the other conventional but of the same model and carrying identical loads made a 125-mile run between Toronto and London. Heading into a fifteen-mile-an-hour west wind, the streamlined truck reached its destination using 9 per cent less gasoline, making the trip approximately ten miles per hour faster than its conventional mete."

The tractor and trailer combined were 37 feet long, 10 feet high, and eight feet wide. The body was made from aluminum sheets pinned over a frame made from hundreds of pieces of hard wood. The empty trucks weighed as much as 10 tons and had a traffer capacity of about 825 cubic feet. They could carry eight and a half tons of beer and were still capable of about 50 miles per hour.

The seldom-seen third version, two of which were constructed in 1939-1940



In 14 kt natural gold lifted and solid gold cases, with 17 jewell Precision movement, Ladier Convex Watcher are picked from \$40.50 to \$67.50; Men's from \$50 to \$700.

FULL-SIZE CURVED MOVEMENT before the War halted such frivolous projects, featured even more sweeping curves added to the roof of the tractor and long tall fin added to the trailer which featured dark blue side panels not found on the postwar streamliners. Once again White furnished the cab, Fruehauf the trailer and Smith Brothers the coachwork.A

surviving picture reveals a similarly styled straight van was also produced using the same paint scheme.

When hostilities ceased, the fourth version debuted, of which 10 examples were constructed during 1947 at a cost of \$16,000 each. They were constructed using de Sakhnoffsky's 4th design, whose cab was radically different from the pre-War units. Photographs exist of stock White cabs towing post-war streamline trailers and LaBatt itself doesn't state exactly how many of the post-war cabs were streamliners, so the exact number of streamline trailers and streamline cabs is currently open to debate.

The forward raked cab featured a curved windshield and side windows for great visibility when traveiling forward or backing up, its roof gently arced from the top of the cab both downwards and rearwards leaving more distance between the cab and the trailer. Built on a White WA122 COE (cab-over-engine) single-axis chassis, the cabs of the postwar streamliners tilted from the rear to allow easy access to the motor for maintenance and repair. The drop-frame trailers' streamlined coachwork was slightly lower than before in order to match the all-new cabs.

The 1947 streamliners once again featured White cabs, Fruehauf trailers and Smith Bros. coachwork – all paint and gold-leaf lettering once again applied in Labatt's own garage paint shop – the trailers of the two 1939 versions bearing Labatt's blue and red paint scheme with gold leaf trim and lettering.

A 1948 issue of Canadian Transportation featured a small article describing the streaminers constructed in 1947:

"Another 'Streamliner' for John LaBatt, Ltd.

"The London, Ont. Brewing and bottling firm, long noted for operation of handsome, streamlined motor truck equipment on Ontario highways has added a fourth model to its fleet, designed like its predecessors, by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky.

What is spoken of as the most modern transport on the road in Canada, a fourth design of freight automotive equipment has been added to the fleet of John LaBett, Ltd., London, Ont. The most recent addition is a tractor-trailer (or, more properly, semitrailer) combination, and the design is, like that of the three forerunners, the work of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, designer with international reputation.

"LaBatt streamlners, which have always been the subject of much public and industrial comment both for their utility and their beauty, were introduced by the London breweries firm in 1936. All four designs which are now in use were drawn by Count de Sakhnoffsky at the same time, to allow for a steady progression in streamlining. These great sleek highway trucks are designed basically for hauling. They are practical equipment, but the lines which fit them for their work on the road also give them their beauty.

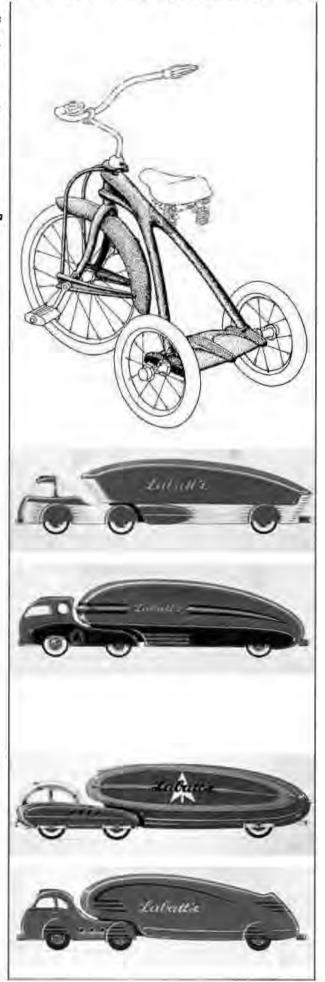
The new streamliner has a White tractor, built by the White Motor Co. of Canada, Ltd., Montreal. The drop-frame trailer was constructed by Fruehauf Trailer Co. of Canada, Ltd., Weston, Ont. The body of the streamliner, cab and trailer, was supplied by Smith Bros. Motor Body Works, Toronto. It is an all-metal body of aluminum, over a wood framework. The aluminum reduces weight. All Labatt

transportation equipment is painted in the company paint shop. The new streamliners are all red, with lettering and ornamentation in gold leaf. This latest model is minus the dark blue side panels which characterize the previous design.

"The new streamliner differs quite radically from the earlier model, particularly in the tractor. The front of the cab is more vertical and flatter in the latest model, but the most noticeable change is in the rear of the cab, which is curved in one smooth line from the top front, leaving greater distance between the cab and the trailer.

"The older cab had an almost flat top and an almost vertical back. The new cab has a curved windshield for better view, and curved side windows at the back for greater visibility in backing and turning. All cabs of the new streamliners tilt from the rear, to allow easy access to the motors.

The trailer of the new streamlner is set lower than the trailer of the previous model, and is rounded on both upper and lower surfaces at



both front and rear, rather than being rounded to a flat bottom surface. This makes the front and rear more similar, the front less snubbed and the rear less sloped. The trailer features a stainless steel 'dorsal fin', principally for ornamentation.

"All the new streamliners are equipped with an anti-jacknife device on the fifth wheel. The Labatt firm was the first in Canada to employ the anti-jacknife device, and many of the older models have been fitted with this equipment.

"Combination stop and directional arrow lights are located on both sides, front and rear of the new streamliner. The tractor-trailer is 36 ft. 10 in. long over all. The combination has wheelbase of 28 ft. 5 in., the wheelbase of the tractor alone being 121 in. Height over all is 9 ft. 8 in., and width over all, 8 ft. 5 in. The trailer length is 28 ft., and trailer capacity is approximately 825 cu. ft.

'The tractor-trailer is 36 ft. 10 in. long over all. The combination has wheelbase of 28 ft. 5 in., the wheelbase of the tractor alone being 121 in. Height over all, 8 ft. 5 in. The trailer length is 28 ft., and the trailer capacity is approximately 825 cu. ft. The trailer is the White model W.A. 122, and is powered with the 'Super Power' model 140A engine, which develops 125 h.p. and has piston displacement of 362 cu. in. The transmission, model 5018, provides five forward speeds. Westinghouse air brakes are employed, and the equipment includes all-operated windshield wipers and hom."

The June 11, 1949 Issue of the London Free Press provided a look at Labatt Streaminer history:

Variety of Changes Shown in Style of Transportation

"Labatt's modern streamlined fleet of transport vehicles – the finest fleet on the continent – had a humble beginning 36 years ago when a Ford truck was bought to supplement the horse-drawn vehicles in use by the Company. In 1917 a second Ford truck was bought and from then on the fleet began to take shape with the addition of various trucks, square single vans, tractor-trailer units, double hook-ups, dlesels, tandems.

In 1936 the first of four streamliners designed by internationally famous Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky made its appearance. Four of these sleek glants were built. In 1938 the second series, a more advanced design, appeared and 12 streamliners were built along this pattern. The 1939 streamliner with forward-sloping lines appeared but only two were built before the war began. Last year ten new streamliners were built at a cost of \$16,500 each – unpainted. All paint and gold-leaf lettering is applied in LaBatt's own garage paint shop.

"It is interesting to note that all four streamline designs were drawn at the same time 12 years ago by Count Sakhnoffsky. In spite of the intervening years the streamliners are the most modern design of transport to be seen anywhere on the highways. Another interesting fact is that Labatt streamlined trucks had fenders sweeping back to the rear wheels and full windows in the back of the cab before these modern designs were ever used on passenger cars!"

The vehicles moved beer across Ontario until 1955, when Labatt's sold off its Streamliner fleet and brought an end to an era.

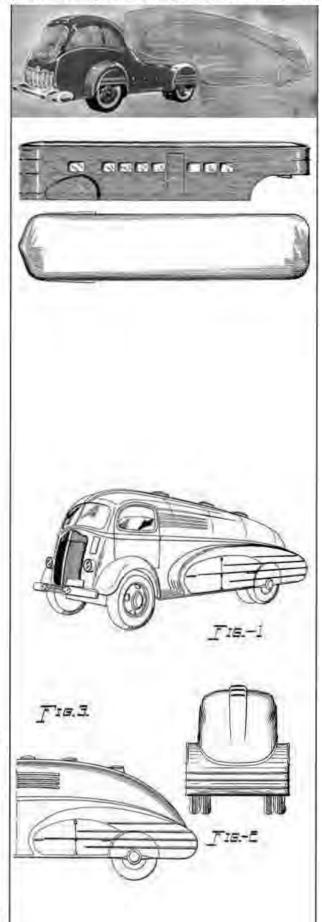
A pair of streamliners survive, the first a complete 1937 version which is currently undergoing restoration, the second a totally restored 1947 version built using an original trailer and a re-created cab.

The 1937's owner, Campbell, California's Jeffrey W. Genzer, reports:

"The one I am restoring is an original tractor and trailer built in 1937 one of twelve built and pretty much the only complete tractor and trailer still around.... I did start working on it in January 2010, I took a class with LAZZE metal shaping and did make some new fenders for the tractor and some eluminum panels for the trailer. I am gearing up to really get on it this summer, so I guess I'll shoot for the 2013 (ATHS) show in Washington."

While Glenzer is utilizing his own funds to restore his 1937, Labatt's footed for the restoration of the 1947 unit which was finished in time for a planned debut at the 1986 Vancouver Expo. To commemorate the event Canada Post released a 10 and 90 cent commemorative stamp in 1986 that featured a side view of a 1947 streamliner.

The following caption accompanied a wire photo of a new White Model 706 tanker http://www.coachbuilt.com/des/d/desakhroffsky/de



that was carried in many of the nation's papers on November 26, 1936:

"STREAMLINED trucks to bring new beauty to the highways. Compare the appearance of this new White tank truck, styled by Count Sakhnoffsky (right), with the ugly ducklings of the highways a few years ago. COUNT ALEXIS DE SAKHNOFFSKY; 'world-famed authority on streamining, who styled the truck at the left, recently returned on the Hindenburg from Europe."

The Count must have spent a lot of time in Cleveland during 1936, as he also served as a styling consultant to the Murray-Ohio Mfg. Co., for whom he designed a series of bicycles, tricycles, pedal cars and toy trucks, as evidenced by the following text that appeared in a display ad for a mid-west department store chain dated November 26, 1936:

"Gamble's present the very newest streamlined bicycle, designed and styled by Count Alexis De Sakhnoffsky, today's leading engineer of modern streamlining. Count Sakhnoffsky has won prize for prize in Monte Carlo for his Deluxe, special automobile body designs. His work includes some of the most outstanding, modern designs, 'everything from men's clothing to motor cars. Gamble's offer his very newest creation in streamlined bicycles. So new, so different, and so modern that they will undoubtedly grasp the middle west by storm!"

The Count's bicycles were marketed under the Mercury brand, a display ad dating from September 29, 1937 is transcribed below:

"Murray Bicycles - Manufactured by Murray-Ohlo Manufacturing Co. Styled by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky All "Mercury" Bicycles have a 19 inch frame—1 inch tubing with automatic electrically flash welded joints—"V" type drop forged crown—"V" type fenders —one-piece drop forged crank—all steel hook type rims—2 125x20 balloon tires with inner tubes—standard bicycle pedals—Troxel saddle— New Departure coaster brakes."

Another 1937 advertisement for Steekcraft, the trade-name assigned to Murray's pressed-steel toys and juvenile vehicles (aka pedal cars), proclaimed that:

"the artistic wizardry of Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, the world's premier engineering stylist, is most evident in the Steelcraft Juvenile Automobile Line in 1937. Count de Sakhnoffsky was the winner of the Grand Prix at Monte Carlo for six consecutive years in the Elegance Contest for his automobile designs."

Known de Sakhnoffsky-designed pedal cars included the streamlined Super Charge Deluxe, the Chrysler Imperial Airflow, a slightly smaller Plymouth and a bright-red Pontlac Chief Auto Deluxe fire truck, complete with a hood-mounted bell and pull conf.

De Sakhnoffsky's work for White attracted the attention of the Budd Manufacturing Co., which was conveniently located in de Sakhnoffsky's hometown of Philadelphia, and during late 1936 and early 1937 he designed a series of fluted aluminum trailers for the firm. Although they weren't constructed right away, Budd resurrected his designs at the start of the Second World War when they were commissioned to build a series of tractor-trailer buses which were used to transport War Workers to and from work.

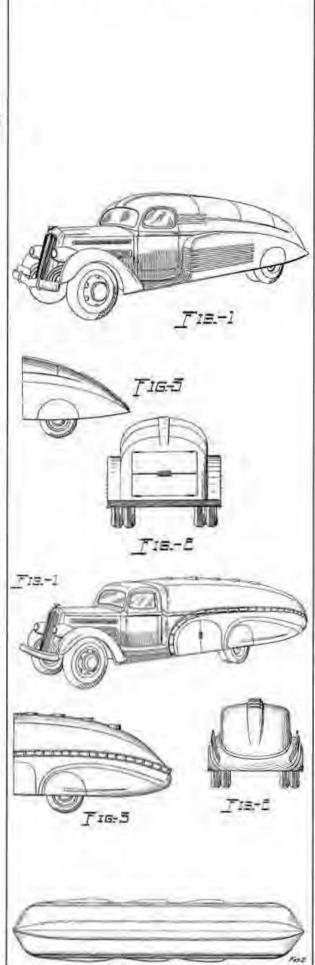
The American Film Institute Catalog of Motion Pictures Produced in the United States, 1931-1941, gives 'Alex de Sakhnoffsky' an art department credit (special sets) on Hal Roach's 1937 feature film 'Topper' directed by Norman Z. McLeod, which starred Constance Bennett, Cary Grant, Roland Young and Billie Burke. His involvement with the project was mentioned in Louella Parsons' March 19, 1937 syndicated column:

"High Priced Favorites to Parade for Topper/ Show of Ultra Contraptions

"Gary Grant Cast Addition; Fancy Settings of DeLuxe Autos, Trains.

"Louella O. Parsons, Motion Picture Editor, Universal Service (Copyright, 1937, by Universal Service)

"Los Angeles, Cal.—(US)—Wowiel What a parade of box office names Hal Roach is gathering for "Topper" his most pretentious feature to date. Gary Grant, at the moment the most sought-after leading man in movies, has been signed to emote opposite Constance Bennett. Roland Young, expert farceur, Billie Burke, Hedda Hopper and Alan Mowbray, all high-priced favorites, complete the cast for Thome Smith's corredy.



"And wait a minute—that's not the half of it. Hal is building a huge new sound stage and is bringing Alex de Sakhnoffsky, designer of trick airplanes, etc., for Esquire, here for special sets.

"A deluxe tourist train that is expected to give the railroad builders ideas and super-streamlined automobiles on the same order are being built by Mons. De Sakh—(Oh, just sneeze it!) Norman McLeod, the director, is so intrigued with it all I wouldn't be surprised to see him dashing about in one of those ultra, ultra motors."

In April 1937 the Count appeared on the nightly W.O.R. Variety Show, which was broadcast throughout the Metropolitan New York listening region, which included most of New Jersey, Western Connecticut and northeast Pennsylvania. His appearance was noted in the April 27, 1937 New York Times 'Today On The Radio' program guide:

"8:00 p.m. WOR – Variety Show: Streamlining – Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky; Key Men Quartet; Brussiloff Orchestra."

In a somewhat related item de Sakhnoffsky was hired by band leader Phil Spitainy to makeover some of his instruments. His All-Girl-Orchestra was immortalized in the Billy Wilder classic 'Some Like it Hot'.

Don O'Malley's syndicated 'New York Inside Out' column of June 22, 1937 reported on the unusual commission:

TUNED UP - Everything is streamlined these days, and now Phil Spitalny has decided to carry out the modern motif in a field that has hardly been touched. Spitalny, who leads the all-girl orchestra, will give his musicians something really fancy to play with. Working with Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, the Industrial designer, Spitalny has worked out new fashions for musical instruments, three of which are completed. They've got a new plano that looks like a super super 16-cylinder special. The music rack and pedals are built-in, with the compact economy of the flowing line. The top of the piano doesn't lift up, but instead is sealed against dust. The music comes out from a series of vents which look like exhaust pipes.

"Their violin is less radical. But I disperse with the little curlicues which were typical of the early Italian violin makers art. Their prize, so far, is the drums. This is designed like a round Swiss cheese a la modern. Hope the drummer's enthusiasm doesn't make him punch holes in the new innovation."

De Sakhnoffsky designed advertisements for Revion during the late 1930s, the July 20, 1937 New York Times Advertising News & Notes reporting:

# "Doubles Magazine Budget

"The magazine advertising appropriation of Ravion Nail Polish is now double that of 1936. Copy is now running regularly in Woman's Home Companion, Vogue, Harper's Bazaar, Esquire and Photoplay. Count Sakinoffsky is doing the illustrations. H.B. Le Quatte, Inc. is the agency."

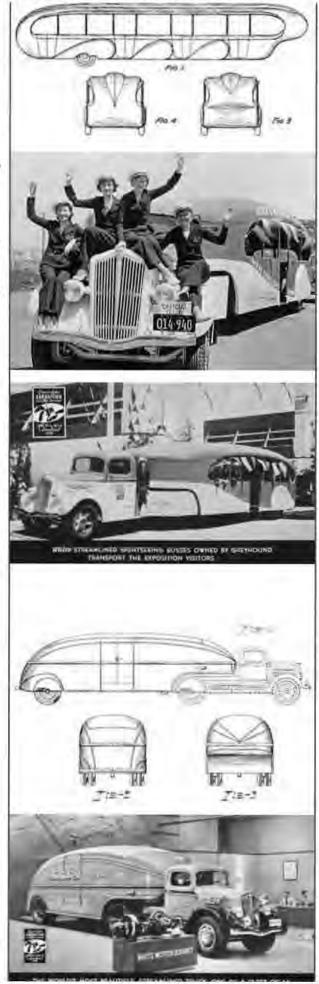
The November 6, 1937 issue of Automotive Industries reported the Count was now working with the Murray Corp of America:

"COUNT ALEXIS DE SAKHNOFFSKY, designer of automobiles and other industrial products, has been engaged as consulting stylist by the Murray Corp. of America, C. W. Avery, president of the corporation, announced. Count Sakhnoffsky's activities on behalf of the Murray Corporation will include research in the development of new lines for the motor car of the near future, as well as application of his decorative knowledge to the design of striking instrument boards and interiors."

His work for Murray may have been related to the 1939 announcement that de Sakhnoffsky had styled the coachwork for Powell Crosley's new self-named automobile, whose bodies were supplied by Murray.

While we're on the subject of diminutive automobiles, de Sakhnoffsky designed the coachwork for the 1938-41 Bantam which was a reinterpretation of the American Austin, a design he had worked on almost a decade earlier.

In 1936 Roy Evans purchased the assets of the bankrupt (in 1934) American Austin Co. and reorganized it as the American Bantam Car Co. Evans contacted de Sakhnoffsky, who had designed the bodies of the American Austin, to see if he was interested in designed the coachwork for its successor. An early Bantam press release noted that Sakhnoffsky only charged \$300 for the work as the American Bantam Co. was living band to mouth and that the design work only



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During the mid-to-late thirties de Sakhnoffsky lived in Philadelphia and maintained some sort of office in Manhattan. He was periodically mentioned in the various metropolitan newspapers, once of which was the Advertising News column of the November 10, 1937 New York Times:

"Kay Karnen Ltd., will represent Count Alaxis de Sakhnoffsky in all commercial activities."

Two months later, January 23, 1938, his name appeared in the same paper's Society Page:

\*PHILADELPHIA DANCE IS ATTENDED BY MANY; George Draper Lewises Among Hosts at Supper Party of Knights of Rhythm Club.

"Among the 355 guests of the Knights of Rhythm Supper Club in the Hotel Warwick ballroom tonight were Mr. and Mrs. George Draper Lewis of Chestnut Hill, with their daughter, Miss Betty Lewis, and her flance, William R. Nichols of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Kellogg, also of New York. Count and Countess De Sakhnoffsky were guests of George Lamaze."

One month later, February 20, 1938, an art exhibit taking place at Manhattan's Decorator Club, included some of his work, the New York Times Reviewer's Notebook reporting:

"Art Takes to the Air" is the theme of the exhibition at the Decorators Club, where paintings by William Heasilp (a little on the illustrative side), dry-points by Jesse Harrison Mason, drawings of Plane Interiors by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, water-colors by Clayton Knight (including one made at a height of nearly five miles over the Andes) and a number of other works ranging from sketches for murals to the Wright' portfolio by Frank Lemmon, are on view (until Feb. 26)."

In late 1937 he was retained by the Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corp. to lend his streamlining expertise to their somewhat dated model range. The Advertising News column of the March 12, 1938 New York Times reported:

"Errerson Ads Feature New Model

"Emerson Radio and Phonograph Corporation is introducing a new radio model designed by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, industrial designer, who recently joined the Emerson staff. The new model is being featured in the company's cooperative newspaper advertising with dealers in key markets throughout the country and will be promoted in Emerson's national advertising, beginning in the Fall. Grady & Wagner, Inc. have the account."

The most desirable of his Emerson creations was the boldly-styled BD-197 which has become popularly known as the 'Mae West' to old radio collectors. Other de Sakhnoffsky designed models included the AX-211, AX-212 and AU-213 and the attractive bent-wood cabinets were supplied to Emerson by the Elias Ingraham Co. of Bristol, Connecticut, a firm that was better known as a clock manufacturer.

The Count was kept busy during 1937, his most interesting project being the design of a pair of jungle caravans for Attilio Gatti an Italian author, explorer and firm-maker who travelled extensively through Africa in the first half of the 20th century.

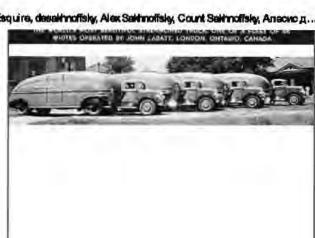
The 1938 Fleetwheels trailers were towed behind a long wheelbase International tractor whose coachwork was designed by de Sakhnoffsky.

(FYI some sources erroneously list the constructor as Elikhart, Indiana's Shult Trailer Co. The firm did construct three trailers for Gatti, however, it was involved in 1947's Gatti-Hallicrafter African expedition, which toured the interior of British East-Africa, not his 1938 Tour of the Belgian Congo.)

The 28-foot stainless steel trailers were constructed in Fleetwheels-Coates' Bristol, Pennsylvania, factory, which also built the stylish bodies of the matching International 5<sup>th</sup> wheel tractors. A March 13, 1938 news story written by Lillian G. Genn, a syndicated writer and editor who worked for Colliers and Argosy, provided details of the trip and its vehicles:

"Through Africa in a Trailer - by Lillian G. Genn

"THE most amazing, luxurious caravan the world has ever seen sets out soon under Commander Attilio Gatti to open a tourist route in Africa. Only fifty years ago the great explorer, Stanley, was the first to penetrate the depths of Africa with what was deemed great







THE MAILS DREAM COACH OF 1919-THE YORLD'S FIRST AMECONDITIONED COACH



MURALS IN THE WAZZE EXHIBIT BY COUNT ALEXIS OF SARENOFISKY

heroism and valor. Today Commander Gatti will follow Stanley's trail with every comfort that civilization can offer. Stanley would have thought that

only the magic of Aladdin's lamp could have produced anything like this caravan.

"TO GIVE you an idea, the caravan is composed of three trailers, each twenty-five feet long and constructed of stainless steel. They are ultra-insulated against heat, humidity, insects and even the pollen of tropical flowers, which is often the cause of deadly fevers.

"One trailer contains the sleeping quarters of Gatti and his wife, with couches that can be turned into beds at night, a dressing table, bath and shower. Mrs. Gatti's cabin is decorated in dusty pink. Over the bed is a rolling door which opens into a receptacle. In the rear of the car, especially insulated for the preservation of dry foods, camera negatives and perishables. The bed has a night light in the form of an African Idol.

The wardrobe is lined with chromium and is automatically lighted, and so constructed that no insects or dust can sneak in. The small dressing table is indirectly lighted. The walls are mirrored and there are shelves for books as well as plenty of drawer space. The rug on the floor is a beautiful shade of blue.

The bathroom is in black and coral, with a thermometer to show the temperature of the bathwater and a radio set. Gatti's room is done in light green and henna.

The second trailer is a combination dining room and observation car decorated in French gray, brown and citron yellow. There are comfortable armchairs, a small bar and a radio, and receptacles for guns and cameras. In one corner is a library desk with a two-way radio. This allows for easy broadcasting between trailers within a radius of sixty miles. At the right of the desk is an instrument vault and at the left a metal relief map of the Belgian Congo.

"The ultra-modern kitchen is so compactly designed that Mrs. Gatti, by sitting on the stool in the center of the room, can easily reach the refrigerator, the sink, the stove, the oven, the door to the insulated receptacle, the table, lockers and drawers. It is in soft tones of gray and yellow.

"In the third car are the living quarters of the two camera men and a complete dark room and photographic laboratory. Each is pulled by a power car which forms one unit with the trailer and which has the electric-generating plant. There is also a truck with camp material and a station wagon, all in the same color scheme and lines.

"The trailers are air-conditioned and have indirect lighting. There are special electric fans which, when plugged into one of the outlets, make the voltage so high that any prowlers will be thrown away without being killed. The screens of the doors are electrified in such a way that as soon as an insect touches them it will be electrocuted.

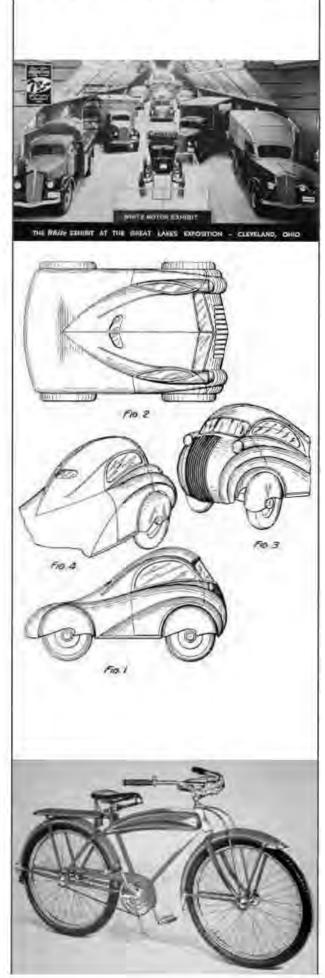
"A novel feature is the periscope which has been installed in the dining car so that when Gatti and his guests are sitting down they can see the whole road in front of them for miles shead. There is also a small concertina which is hidden when not in use. But it can be put between the doors of the two trailers, thus making it a self-contained apartment.

These are the highlights of this luxurious caravan, executed with so much beauty and grace of line that is like a Park Avenue home on wheels....

"ON THE last expedition Gatti and his wife began to feel somewhat fed up with tent life. They got tired of packing and unpacking, of having things broken and never being able to have fresh, food. And they spent all their energies fighting the insects.

"If we could only have a-trailer,' exclaimed Mrs. Gatti, 'things would be much easier!' Yes,' agreed Gatti. The insects wouldn't be able-to climb the-rubber.' We could-have fresh food, too,' said Mrs. Gatti. 'And we wouldn't have to pitch camp every day,' put in the commander.

"So an idea was born. As they both began to think about it, it occurred to them that if trailers were available and a good road, people who could afford the trip but would not put up with all the



discomforts, would come to Africa to see its beauties.

"Commander Gatti told the idea to Belgian Government officials (and they were immediately interested in it. He was commissioned to make these trailers and put them on the road to see what modifications would be needed, to study all the itineraries in the Belgian Congo so that something extremely, attractive could be included in the trip.

"Gattl and his wife arrived in America nearly a year ago to begin work on the trailers. They tried several designers but could not get anyone who could execute them as they visualized them. It was difficult for them to explain the idea. Again and again the work was begun, and discarded. It looked as though they would not be able to get the type of trailer they wanted.

\*Then Commander Gatti met Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, one of the foremost designers and stylists of America, who had designed the Burlington train. Gatti's idea excited his imagination, and he quickly went to work on the trailers.

"So at last Gatti's caravan came into being and is ready to be shipped to Africa. Gatti expects to spend a year making the survey. When everything is ready a dozen trailers will be built. A big firm will prepare a standard kit for men and women, so that one has only to write to receive a colonial, trunk containing everything he needs for the trip – from shorts to heimet, all packed and initialed."

An article in the April 12, 1938 New York Times confirms the trailers were built by Fleetwheels-Coates:

"JUNGLE TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH BAR; Air-Conditioned Vehicles for Use in Congo Are Shown Here

'Two 'jungle yachts', equipped with all the comforts and conveniences of a modern apartment, were shown in a preview yesterday at the showrooms of the International Harvester Company at Eleventh Avenue and Forty-second Street.

\*Designed for an expedition into the Belgian Congo, the two- 25-foot trailers are air-conditioned, have two bedrooms, a tiled bath, a

combination living-room and library, and even a bar. One unit contains the two bedrooms with the bath in between and the other the living-room and litchenette with refrigeration. Both are powered by tractors.

'The 'Jungle yachts' were built by the Fleetwheels-Coates Corporation of Bristol, Pa., from designs by Count Alaxis de Sakhnoffsky. They will be used as base camps for the tenth expedition to Africa of Commander and Mrs. Attilio Gatti.

"Commander and Mrs. Gatti will start on the expedition April 30 to capture animals in Africa for zoological collections and to make a survey for the proposed opening of the Belgian Congo to tourist travel."

The Advertising News column of the October 21, 1938 New York Times announced the Count had hired an agent:

"Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, designer of motor cars, radios and other products, will enter merchandise design in men's and women's footwear and women's accessories. He has appointed Samuel G. Krivit Company, Inc., as his representative."

Aircraft and watercraft were frequent subjects of his illustrations for Esquire and in early 1938 he served as a design consultant to the Yacht Sales & Service Co., of Oakland, California, the April 24, 1938 issue of the Oakland Tribune reporting:

"Boatbuilding Firm Establishes Plant Here to Serve Customers

The various forms of boating around and about San Francisco Bay, Caldand's Outer Harbor has become the scene of a new industry, the Yacht Sales and Service Company. This company is featuring the building of stock and custom yachts, both power and sail, the power boats under the trade name 'Frost-Craft', and it also offers to coast yachtsmen a complete service in the design and construction of individual yachts and are also the builders of 'Sunset' class racing boats as the partnership of Morris P. Frost and William T. Cross in the yacht brokerage and insurance business in 1936. The company was incorporated under the present name in 1937, with Frost as president, Cross as vice-president, and Geoffrey H. James, secretary-treasurer.



# "OPERATIONS BEGUN

"Boat yard operations were started at the "Outer Harber location in August, 1937, with the erection of marine ways, a machine shop, a pattern shop and mill, two boat shops and a mold loft. The service facilities at the Berkeley Yacht Harbor were acquired in October, with shops and a completely stocked chandlery, for servicing the boats of the harbor.

"A long-distance, boat hauling service was inaugurated in January, with special equipment for the overland transporting of boats between all points in the United States. The three boats exhibited by the company at the recent Los Angeles boat show were transported with this equipment.

"The well-known stylist, Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, is responsible for the graceful lines of the exterior and the streamlining of the

interior of 'Frost-Craft' custom models. His careful choice of the most adaptable materials serve to heighten the effects of beauty and motion, so that artistic streamlining has become a reality.

"James B. Dewitt, marine architect, is also a member of our staff, who has effected a notable compromise between racing lines and cruising accommodations, with a minimum sacrifice of the desirable characteristics of each. This is well emphasized in his creation of "Sunset One-Design," our featured racing cruiser."

While on the West Coast Sakhnoffsky was also commissioned to design a promotion brochure for a club aimed at the rich and famous in Hollywood, the Inner Circle. While the club never materialized due to the oncoming war, the brochure revealed a streamlined paradise of its own.

He did, however, have a hand in the design of a Hollywood nightspot that did get off the ground, the Earl Carroll Theatre, which was located at 6230 Sunset Bivd., Los Angeles. Built in 1938 and located at 6230 Sunset Bivd (just east of Vine), the theatre was designed by architect Gordon B. Kauffman and its exterior graced by a 20-foot high neon silhouette of Earl Carroll's girlfriend Beryl Wallace.

De Sakhnoffsky assisted Kauffman with the design of the interiors where Carroll's girl-centric stage shows, a modern adaptation of a Florence Ziegfeld revue, took place. The 1,000-seat theatre boasted of an 80-foot wide stage equipped with a 60-foot wide revolving turntable, a revolving staircase, and three huge swings, from which various lovelles would rigged with three swings that could be lowered from the celling.

During the 30s Heywood-Wakefield Co. Invited the nation's top modernist designers (de Sakhnoffsky, Leo Jiranek, Gilbert Rohde and Frank Lloyd Wright) to create new lines of furniture using the latest machinery, reinforcing a Bauhaus principle that attractive, well-made furniture could be made on a production line.

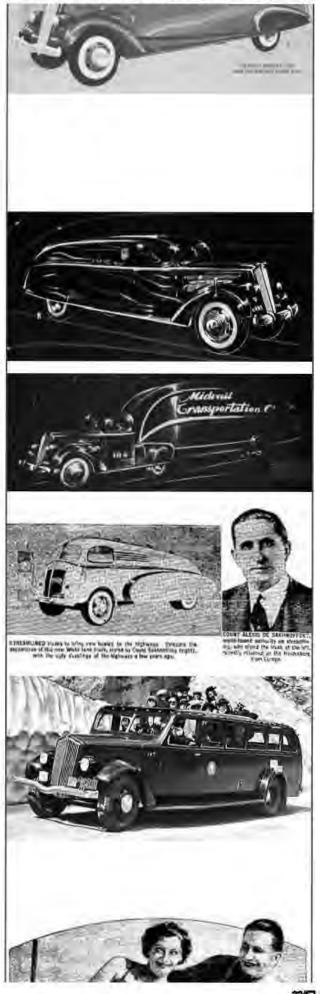
In 1938 de Sakhnoffsky was invited to design a special line of Heywood-Wakefield furniture for display at the 1939 World's Fair' House of Tomorrow, a project which was covered in great detail by George Herrick in the September 1939 issue of The Woodworker:

"New Furniture of Classic Simplicity Is All Streamlined By George Herrick.

"When four furniture manufacturers in co-operation – Heywood-Wakefield, Simmons Co., Red Uon Furniture Co. and Red Uon Table Co. – retained an industrial designer to create something new, they got what may prove to be a new trend in furniture, as described in this article.

"As an industrial designer, Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, who has done distinguished work in everything from men's apparel and jewelry to motor cars, refrigerators and radio cabinets, has brought a fresh point of view to furniture design. He is a proponent of what we call "streamine". Fine flow of line and proportion and close attention to the function of the object constitute his basic decoration without addition of non-essential ornament. It is the same basic principle that has entered so widely into the modern motor car and been approved by the buying public. But while the Sakhnoffsky-designed furniture has the simplicity and streamlining of the automobile body, it is by no stretch of the imagination an attempt to turn a bed into a commercial

truck or a chest of drawers into a 12-cylinder streamlined juggernaut. The lines of each piece 'flow' instead of being tortured and twisted around acute corners interrupted at intervals by ornamental accretions that serve no purpose and mean nothing. Part of this streamlining was possible in practice because of the equipment of one of the manufacturers. Heyward-Wakefield. Chests of drawers in solid



maple, for example, have bowed fronts on the drawers, with a 46-in. span. The plant of the Heywood-Wakefield company is one of the few in the country that can handle bends of this magnitude with success. The other wood is natural walnut veneer, the darker pieces shown in accompanying illustrations; the maple is wheat tone in finish. In the desire to secure an unusual finish, several methods were tried. Finally it was found that on the natural walnut best results were secured from merely filling and then waxing to bring out the grain. No stain was used and the result is a slight grayish cast that the designer finds highly desirable.

"A lengthy thesis might be written on Count de Sakhnoffsky's treatment of lines in any product, or place. He usually tries to carry the line seen by the eye, to as nearly a logical conclusion as possible, with a pleasant and soothing effect on the mind as a result. The accompanying illustrations indicate the smoothness resulting from this treatment that results in an almost complete absence of acute angles and comers. Even a right-angle turn is rounded so that the line flows instead of being suddenly arrested and starting off again at a tangent. Treatment of drawers is an example of swinging lines away into infinity, especially in the case of the vanity table. Even the legs are streamlined, with the edge of the piece extending and then turning at a slightly curved right-angle to form the foot or foundation. With all this, a quick glance at a room furnished with streamlined furniture gives an impression of classic simplicity rather than ultramodem. With all this attention to line and texture of furniture, Sakhnoffsky did not overlook function, a factor always given a prominent place in the considerations of the industrial designer. Regardless of the product, the designer today not only tries to make it more attractive in appearance, but more useful in its application.

"Count de Sakhnoffsky believes that furniture and home decoration should conform to the requirements and eccentricities of the occupant. The individual should not be forced to adjust his living and personal peculiarities to the furniture. Furthermore, furniture should be as efficient in its service to the owner as possible. All this is by way of explaining several departures in the furniture and the decoration done by Sakhnoffsky at the preliminary showing of the new designs in Bloomingdale's department store, New York. His cylindrical bookcase is a good example. Here is plenty of precedent in the revolving cases that once graced libraries of the 18th and 19th-century homes, but the modern version has been installed in the wall between two rooms. With a semi-circle projecting in the living-room on one side and the bed-room on the other side of the wall, occupants of either room may be served with the entire contents by revolving the shelves. An empty section at table level provides a console with frosted glass top **Burninated** from beneath.

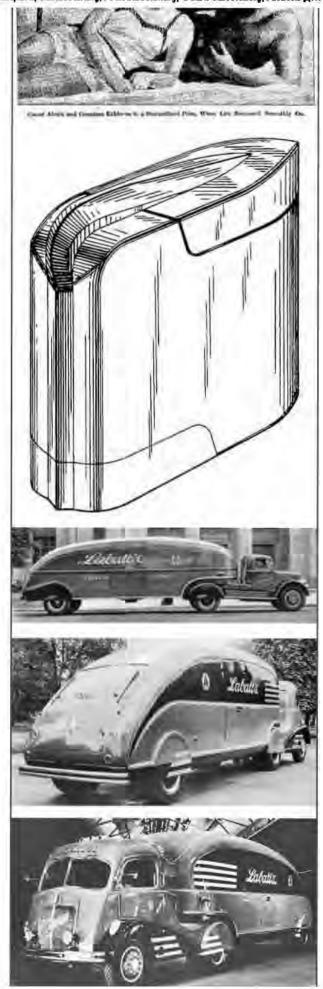
\*Here, the influence of an automobile body might be detected by the exercise of irragination, but in this case the design is of a piece of furniture that moves. The skirting at the base conceals the wheels,

so that when it is rolled over the floor it appears to glide: at the same time the skirt projection provides a bumper. The small circular table in the cocktall lounge is a unit of fully curved lines. Functionally it has been improved by having the top set to revolve. In decorative treatment of this room the photograph indicates how curved lines have been carried out even to the window. A rectangular opening would have contributed a jarring note to an otherwise pleasing ensemble.

"The master bed-room in this 'Home of Tornorrow,' as it was termed by Bloomingdale, has the latest development in functional headboards for the beds. The headboard has been troubling designers of the modern school considerably. Its only function remaining was to stop the pilows from falling off, and as a result, various attempts have been made to combine in it other functions, such as storage space and shelves. The Sakhnoffsky version carries this trend forward.

#### (Captions follow)

"Lower Left — The cocktail lounge at the end of the dining-room Is both snug and functional; the small cocktail table has a revolving top; the perambulator or ' tea wagon' is fully streamlined, of natural walnut veneer. Above — This walnut desk is patterned on Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky's own desk, which he designed for his office in New York. Upper Right — Here, Count de Sakhnoffsky carried the ambition of every designer of furniture forward another step by combining more functions In the headboard."



aforementioned Bioomingdales installation:

"A legiess dining-room table suspended from the ceiling by a internally lighted glass tube, a streamline desk with a radio, barometer, thermometer, and clock built into a desk-top dashboard, a circular wall bookcase that revolves to allow volumes to be reached from either bedroom or the living room – these are some of the outstanding features of a models apartment designed by Count Aleots de Sakhnoffsky, well-known industrial designer. Set up for display in a New York City department store, the ultramodern apartment utilizes various new plastic materials, glass walls lighted from behind by fluorescent lamps, and a circular fireplace set in the wall between the dining and living rooms so that it may be seen from either."

The 1940 US Census lists the Sakhnoffskys (Ethleene & Alexis) at 106 N. State St., Chicago. She was 31, born in Missouri, he gives his age as 40, occupation auto designer.

During the previous year de Sakhnoffsky had approached Nash with an idea to create a Nash-based sport roadster along the same lines as the Packard-Darrin. Rather than start with an all-new body de Sakhnoffsky proposed modifying a standard Nash Ambassador Eight Convertible (whose design is attributed to Don Mortrude).

A prototype was constructed and shown to George Mason who agreed to manufacture a limited number of the coupes, which would be made available in a limited number of Metropolitan Nash distributors. It featured sports-car-style cut-down doors and a lowered split-screen windshield to which an equally cut-down convertible top was attached. As the cut-down doors were too short to contain a window regulator, side curtains were substituted and the exposed top edge of the door covered in padded leather. The suspension was lowered, the running boards and exterior chrome discarded, and the rear tires sheathed with spats.

The prototype Nash Special 4081 cabriolet was shown to Nash president George Mason who agreed to manufacture a limited number of the roadsters, which would be made available through most Metropolitan Nash distributors. Bodies were constructed at Seaman, shipped to Kenosha, and trimmed in blue, red or tan leather at the United Body Co. in Chicago. The admittedly attractive vehicles were considered too impractical and expensive by the buying public with a purported 11 of the reportedly \$5,000 vehicles delivered during the 1940 model year.

According to Nash historians what little remained of the car's brightwork could be ordered in Duragoid (a copper-based faux-gold finish), and at least one of the gold-finished cars was delivered to Prof. Andrew Primo of New Orleans, Louisiana. Dubbed the 'Golden Charlot' it was used to help sell war bonds during the Second World War - a period wire service photo shows an attached banner reading 'Kill a Naz!' Kill a Fascist! One Dime - One Bullet will kill a Jap!'

Although the de Sakhnoffsky roadster proved to be a sales disaster it provided Nash with some much needed publicity, the May 19, 1940 issue of the Cakland Tribune included the following announcement of its San Francisco debut:

(Caption:)\*Limited edition, signed by the author, this new Nash sports car was signed by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky to meet the demands of an exclusive market for a custom-built version of the lithe Nashes that have won so much popularity this year. The car is now on display at Pacific Nash Motor Company, Van Ness at Sutter, San Francisco

"Specially Built Nash On Display in S.F.

"A new custom-built Nash sports roadster, which Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, Internationally known motor car stylist, was especially commissioned to design, is being given its formal introduction to the motoring public this week by Nash Motors in several leading markets. The first model will be placed on display Monday at Pacific Nash Motor Company, Van Ness and Butter, San Francisco, and a general invitation has been issued to the Bay area public to view the new car by E. B. Zane, general manager.

"Gorffying by ultra-modern treatment the smooth, dynamic lines that have won the regular members of the 1940 Nash family a large share of their current popularity, the new "Limited Edition" Nash is believed to be the lowest of all American cars, standing less than 63 inches at the highest point. Lithe Nash streamlining has been accentuated, making the car look even longer than its rangy 207 inches.

"Conceived by Count Sakhnoffsky to meet an exclusive market, the six-passenger convertible is being offered as a very limited Nash, edition and represents the last word in swank automotive styling throughout. Doors are cut away, curved rakishly at the top, padded



with a roll or top-grain leather that is colored in keeping with the color scheme of the car as a whole. Upholstery is of tan Wiese whipcord, faced along the front edge of the seat and at the shoulder of the seat with colored leather. Audiliary seat is entirely in matching leather.

"Bulk on the standard Ambassador Eight chassis, the car is somewhat lighter and faster than the regular model. Equipped with Nash's cruising gear, or fourth speed forward, and automatic overtake, the car will travel between 95 and 100 m.p.h. Because engine speed is reduced by 30 per cent when the Nash fourth speed forward cuts in, tachometer, favorite instrument of European sportsmen, has been made a part of the standard equipment of the car."

On February 19, 1941 a syndicated column mentioned that the Count had partnered with Bob Cobb in the design of the serving trays and place settings that were to be used in the swanky new Brown Derby restaurant, which was just opening on Los Feliz Boulevard, Los Angeles.

The April 12, 1941 issue of the Brownsville Herald mentioned the Count stopped in town to change planes:

#### "COUNT FLIES HERE

"Returning to Los Angeles from a business trip to Mexico. Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, of the American Electric Fusion corporation, arrived in Brownsville by Pan American plane Friday afternoon, and left for San Antonio."

His involvement with the American Electric Fusion Corp., a Chicago-based manufacturer of resistance welding equipment is currently unknown as was the reason for his trip to Mexico.

By this point in time, the nation's gossip columnists thought the Count sufficiently notorious to begin mentioning his marital problems. On February 18, 1941 one of the wire services transmitted a picture of the Countess with the following caption:

"Countess Ethleene Sakhnoffsky, above, is seeking separate maintenance of \$1,000 a month from Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, magazine illustrator. In her sult being heard in Los Angeles, she charges cruelty."

Bad news travels fast, and the Count was briefly mentioned by Waiter Winchell in his March 5, 1941 'On Broadway' column:

\*. . . The Mexican division Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky is arranging. She is a Powers pretty. . . \*

One month later, April 9, 1941, the Associated Press provided more details:

# "Russian Declared Partial To Blonde

"LOS ANGELES. April 9 (AP)— The American-born wife of Count Alexas do Sakhnoffsky, airplane, automobile and boat designer, charges that he left her three months ago for another woman, a 'buxom and voluptuous blonde'. The countess, suing for separate maintenance, asked \$1,000 a month for support from the Russian-horn count, now a naturalized American. The count filed an answer resisting his wife's demends, but agreed to pay her \$600 a month pending settlement of the suit."

Two months later an unnamed reporter for the American Weekly news syndicate

wrote the following story of the Count's struggle with un-streamlined love, which appeared alongside wire photos of the Count and Countess in happier times (this version appeared in the June 1, 1941 edition of the San Antonio Light):

"Streamliner Count Alexis Struggle with Unstreamlined Love (distributed by American Weeldy, Inc.)

\*Designing Streamlined Refrigerators and Autos Was Perfectly All Right But When He Discovered the Streamlined Blonde His Unstreamlined Wife Rebelled and the Judge, After Getting All the Angles, Streamlines the Count's Bankroll to Fill Up Her Financial Curves

'I have found the perfect, streamlined, blonde and have discovered streamlined love.' Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, alleged to have burst In upon his wife with this news, is an artist-engineer whose business is streamlining everything, from furniture to automobiles. It is a wife's business to encourage and applicate her husband's work but Countess





Ethleene de Sakhnoffsky admits that she showed no enthusiasm.

The Countess, though a charming brunette, knew she was neither blond nor streamlined and could not see any good news in the announcement for herself. So perhaps there was some justification for the impression the Count says she gave him of on unstreamlined refrigerator.

"Anyhow something so offended his artistic or engineering temperament that she says he slammed the front door on this comment; 'Of course you wouldn't understand. You American women are more rookles at love, choked with inhibitions.'

"Countess Ethleene, the former Phoebe Ethleene (Teddy) Frasier,' daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Frasier of Chicago, decided that after five years married life, it was high time to re-survey this thing called love.

"First she took a long look at a streamlined portrait of herself by her gifted husband. There was a strong' hint in it and she had not taken the hint but why should she, even if she could? He had streamlined her.

"We know that Claude Robert, the French author, had said: 'Streamlining is to the engineer, what strawberries are to cream. Everything today is streamlined from the human chassis to the eggbeater.'

True, but her husband was also an artist and why couldn't he do like Rubens, the great Flemish painter. When he married Isabella Brant in 1600, she was a streamlined creature, a slim, graceful girl, with only immature traces of curves. As she grew older so did the curves. Rubens kept right on painting her as she was and-was so popular that his paintings made his wife's figure the style and envy of all others. Not many could 'eat themselves stylish' and therefore had to make up the deficiency with padding. That suggests what the noble Count should have done for his wife, instead of finding a streamlined blonde.

\*From her portrait the Countess went to the kitchen of their Hollywood apartment, and somehow looked in the garbage can, she saw several scraps of a tom letter. A modure of women's intuition and

curlosky compelled her to gather them up, piece them together, and read the note.

'The letter was addressed to 'Dear Harmony' and seemed to refer to an advertisement which the lady had answered. It had an interesting confirmatory effect upon some vague suspicions she had held because, as the Countess later explained: 'My husband many times had broken our luncheon engagements — we long had been in the habit of lunching together. He would tell me he had to be with a business associate.'

"Several times he overstayed the cocktail parties and was late arriving home for dinner. When I read that letter, I knew there had been justification for my suspicions because it was addressed to 'Dear Harmony,' and Alexis never called me 'Harmony'.

"So the Countess traced the ad and found that it had read:
"Companion wanted by continental gentiemen with private means and open auto."

"The Count admitted having placed the ad, and told the Countess that he had gotten about 100 answers to it. Later, in making his deposition, he admitted writing the Harmony letter, but said it never was mailed.

"At any rate, with this and some other evidence, the unstreamlined wife went to Attorney James B. Salem, who secured a divorce for her in the Superior Court of Los Angeles. There Justice Thomas C. Gould entered into the spirit of the filing, streamlining the Count's \$30,000 a year income by ordering him to pay one quarter of it to the now ex-Countess.

"The following in part is the letter, which was introduced in evidence:

"Dear Harmony:"

"Your answer to my ad picked up yesterday. It frankly amused me, though you did not comply with my request for a photo. And since I enjoy people who amuse me here is my answer to your answer."

"I called myself Continental American because I was born and raised







outside of American borders. Have traveled all my life, and get restless at the idea of having to stay somewhere longer than a year. Still I have lived In America 13 years and am a full-fledged U.S. citizen. Am delighted to be one, however without an over-emphasis on my patriotic feelings.'

"All my life I hated bargains. When I want something badly, and it is within reach —why waste time in trying to get it cheaper, at a price? Besides I dislike to be obligated to people, so why look for a wealthy companion with a car, when I can supply both? Does that make me real?"

"I have done many crazy things just to add a few new experiences to my roster, and am forever looking for color in life. You may be able to supply a colorful angle to Hollywood which I have missed. I never have been extremely wealthy but through my own ways of living always managed to own sport cars, expensive clothes, a yearly trip, to Europe, and always, made it profitable for an attractive companion who knew how to make romantic the satisfaction of our physical requirements. My checkered life, instead of making me cynical, made me dreadfully sentimental. Do you think I am suffering from introverts?"

"I prefer ash blondes and redheads, but have had many enjoyable moments with brunettes. Hate very short, very thin and muscular women."

"I am sorry I got your letter too late to call as you suggest."

"So send me a snapshot of yourself, H.H., if you care to have us get together. I always liked to have the opportunity of examining the image of the being with which I plan to spend some time."

"The self – asserted sentimentalist having thus laid bare his innermost heart to Harmony, then mailed the letter, not in a letter box, but the garbage can, where his wife got the message and began to understand.

'The Count, son of a Russian sugar magnate, was born in Kiev, to a life of wealth and luxury but after the revolution found himself, like the other White Russians, an exile with empty pockets.

"Yet by combining his skill at engineering and painting, he was able to earn as high as \$35,000 a year, making such motionless objects as refrigerators look as if they could be shot like a shell through space with a minimum of air resistance. Air resistance is not terribly important to such sheltered things, but his designs also reduced sales resistance. He streamlined automobiles both artistically and scientifically. Streamlining, by the way, is defined as 'a scientific principle based on the resistance of moving objects to wind pressure,"

"The present vogue was brought into mathematical terms by the Swiss family Bernoulli, who expressed it in the equation: P plus one half PV square equals Constant. While this means that streamlining is a constant principle, it does not mean that husbands devoted to streamlining are necessarily constant to their wives.

"Another scientific formula is that the attraction of a streamlined blonde upon a husband is in inverse ratio to the square of the distance between the bodies, especially if the wife is an increasing variable. Astronomers say that the moral of this formula is to keep all heavenly bodies several light years distant.

The formula also proved that Lillian Harvey, famous as the modern European exponent of streamlining, could not have been the bright star that pulled the Count out of his matrimonial orbit, because she wasn't even in the country at the time. In fact, the blonde referred to by the Countess as having been so extolled by the Count, has never been named.

"He only, told me he was in love with this woman and that she was blond and voluptuous,' she testified.

"The Count had also told her he intended going to Mexico with the blonde — an artist — to study Aztec art for ideas to incorporate in modern designing and, she said:

"He told me he intended to live with her and work with her. He said I couldn't come along, but later said if I did come I would have to live apart from them. When I refused, he suggested I consult an attorney."



"The Count naturally took into his marriage many Old World beliefs. Those concepts, upon which many an European woman must close on eye, could not totally be accepted by the Countess, also expensively reared but taught in the conservative American school that holds no brief for the average highly-bred European's view on marriage.

When the artistic engineering stylist tried to streamline his Old World marriage concepts and make them fit into his marriage with the vivacious, St. Louis-born girl, he failed completely. In endeavoring to give his version of why the marriage collapsed, the Count told his wife's attorneys, James B. Salem and Vincent A. Marco:

"She was reared in mid-Victorian manners by her grandmother (the late Mrs. Douglas Knox Frasier, prominent in San Francisco social circles) and this gave her a rather queer idea as to what marital life really is."

"The Countess took exception to this remark, insisted her rearing by her parents was that of an average American girl of wealthy family, then added:

"Perhaps European women of distinction would accept without comment his design for marriage. To me, however, I found it wrought only conflict. His ideas struck deeply against my American regard of marriage. I have always held marriage a sacred thing, a union not to be taken lightly. I tried to make a success of ours, but eventually it resulted in a conflict I no longer could bear."

"Her husband, she asserted, switched his attitude toward her almost before the honeymoon was over. It was a rapid change from 'a, romantic lover to a husband who looked upon me as chattel, as property — as just something secondary in his life."

'This contrasted sharply to his attitude during the fifteen-month romance, culminated with marriage in New York in 1935. Ethleene, a lovely black-haired girl, with dark, flashing eyes, gives the husband she has just fired, a fine reference as a flancé, before, but not after taking. She said: 'Ours was a perfect romance. For those fifteen months, we rode the clouds of happiness. I was captivated by his graciousness, his capacity for good times, his gay mode of living.'

"He was a 'Prince Charming' fresh from the pages of a story book. No girl could have been happier than he made me in those months. During his absences, I received nightly telephone calls from him. Every day he had flowers delivered to me — beautiful things, and always white ones. Roses and orchids."

"After all this giant build-up came the wedding and a gay honeymoon in Europe where the first signs appeared that the perfect lover was not going to be quite as advertised. Her husband and his friends had alarmingly modernistic even futuristic ideas about marriage. The first time he forgot to come home, the Count seemed pained at her questioning and, she says, gave out this explanatory comment: "You

have to take love where you find it, don't you?'

"And now the Countess says: 'Can one really streamline anything as old as life itself?"

A January 17, 1943 UPI news wire announced the divorce was finalized:

"Designer-artist Count Alex de Sakhnoffsky, now a major in Army Camouflage Service, "found a 'very gay person' and wanted nothing further to do with his wife' Countess Ethleene testified in winning a divorce from the Russian nobleman."

Although his personal life was now better-known than his design work de Sakhnoffsky continued to produce illustrations for Esquire as well as a series of cover flustrations and articles for the Aeronautical monthly, Skyways - which debuted in early 1942.

He received his U.S. citizenship in 1939, proudly serving for the duration of the war in a number of posts, the first of which was for the U.S. Army Air Force Combat Intelligence Corps., stationed at Maxton Air Base, Laurinburg, North Carolina. As the war dragged on his quadrilingual talents got him transferred to Moscow, where he served as Chief Air Intelligence Officer and interpreter to U.S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman.

His introduction to Skyways' readers follows:

\*CAPTAIN de SAKHNOFFSKY of the United States Army Air Force has won considerable acciaim as an outstanding artist-designer. The





former Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky says, 'I love to draw fast things'. His visionary conceptions of 'fast things' have not only inspired advanced airplane design but have also streamlined many practical every-day articles into new beauty."

An article from the January 1943 issue of Skyways included an article on the Transport of Tomorrow:

"Transport of Torrorrow by Alexas de Sakhnoffsky.

"A vision of the luxury liner of the future is as amazing to us as the swimming pool on the Queen Mary would be to Chris Columbus.

"A large plane is always dramatic by its size. As in the "Flivver" plane of tomorrow, pictured under the wing of the "Transport of the Future," the emphasis of this luxury liner will not be on its general appearance or lines, but will be on its interior appointments and deluxe accommodation. In the accompanying sketch of the "Transport of Tomorrow," note the "lines" which offer the extreme in streamlining, and also produce a picture of power. There is no doubt that this 'feeling' of power from the drawing actually must be in force in the four engines which provide the power plant of this flying skyliner.

The streamlined airport limousines, parked alongside of the plane, permit a scale idea of the enormity of this plane of the future. With the use of the tricycle landing gear, wings of the modern planes are being moved further and further back. This sketch shows a rather extreme version of this trend. Practically unlimited visibility is obtained for the passengers and crew. The top sketch pictures the swimming pool and solarium. Walls of the solarium-pool section of the luxury liner are in padded leather. A swimming pool may not seem feasible – and yet Christopher Columbus probably would have shivered his timbers had someone suggested a pool in a ship.

The bottom sketch shows a spot in the dining salon. Tables are of translucent frosted plastic and are arranged in a continuous built-in fashion. Many aviation enthusiasts may scoff at this idea of the plane of the future. However, there were those, too, who in 1903 at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, would have scoffed at the idea of a 164,000 pound plane such as the B-19. There may be some question as to the amount of power needed to lift this super-plane...or maybe to lift just the landing gear... and there are those who insist this plane would be into a dive if it ever did get into the air... let such arguments fall where they may.

"Someday, somehow, someone will successfully design an airplane luxury liner which will meet many of the comfort and extra feature requirements that are incorporated in this one. These sketches are, of course, mere suggestions of design, and not contentions of aeronautical engineering.

"Note: Captain Alexis de Sakhnoffsky has long been known as an outstanding artist-designer. At the present, he's busy with official duties at an Army Air base. His sketches, covered with prop-washed mud from 'Somewhere', had to go to the cleaners before printing. Artist Sakhnoffsky has to dream up schemes of futurism while getting eight hours on his Army cot."

Before he was assigned overseas he made a presentation to a group of students that appeared in the Feb 5, 1943 issue of the Robesonian (Lumberton, North Carolina):

"Major Speaks In Chapel

"A guest speaker of unusual interest at chapel Tuesday morning at Flora MacDonald was Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, a native of Poland, and now a major in the intelligence department at the Maxton Air Base.

"Major Sakhnoffsky was presented by Miss Katherine Cameron, head of the clothing department at the college, as a designer of the most versatile type, and in the very interesting story of his life with which the major entertained the audience for three-quarters of an hour, he proved his right to the rank. He had been a designer, he said, from practically everything from dresses to automobile bodies. Apparently the latter is his specialty.

"For the past six years, Major Sakhnoffsky has run an illustrated page regularly in 'Esquire' in which he predicts the style of automobile sin the immediate and distant future. He has also been a constant



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contributor to "Fortune" and to the American magazine."

Discharged in late 1945, the Count was still deemed newsworthy by the nation's gossip columnists. The International New Service's Miami correspondent, Ruth Brigham, reported on his recent visit to Miami on January 13, 1946:

"Zombles on Mind by Ruth Brigham, I.N.S. Staff Correspondent "Miami, Fla.,"Jan. 12.—(INS)

"Vacationers include Count and Countess Alexis de Sakhnoffsky currently of New York. Chased from Moscow in 1919 as a 'White,' Sakhnoffsky recently returned there as a lieutenant colonel on our side, invited with a United States military mission. For years Sakhnoffsky's drawings of modernistic, racy autos and such, were featured in Esquire. He's contracted to start again in May.

"While in Miami he's the yacht guest of Sportsman R. S. Evans the lad who helped revive polo in Florida. Evans and Sakhnoffsky are said to be formulating plans to build a new, tiny car— with the gas tank to be filled by an eyedropper.

"Sakhnoffsky rarely goes night clubbing. But this week he was seen at the Beachcomber in Miami. The count says zombies fascinate him. Not to drink, just to think about."

The recently acquired Countess de Sakhnoffsky mentioned above was his third wife, Joan Morris Stevens (b. August 15, 1917, in Dayton, Ohio), the daughter of Samual Rawlins and Sara Gertrude (Morris) Stevens, of Waveland, Mississippi and Atlanta, Georgia respectively. The third Countess de Sakhnoffsky was an accomplished artist and clothes designer who as a student became enamored with de Sakhnoffsky's published drawings.

Upon his return from service de Sakhnoffsky discovered job opportunities for a free-lance styling consultant, even a famous one, were few and far between. Luckily his young friend and protégé, Brooks Stevens, sent some work his way.

The pair had met back in 1934 when a young 'Kippie' Stevens travelled to Chicago to visit the Century of Progress Exhibition. A Milwaukee newspaper described the meeting as follows: "Asked what his fees were, the count told told Kippie between \$350 and \$400 a day. Whereupon Kippie fell off his chair."

At the time Stevens was working for Willys-Overland who were in the middle of designing their post-war lineup. He proposed a sedan based on the basic pre-war Willys dimensions and drivetrain and hired de Sakhnoffsky to assist with the finishing touches. Three prototypes, code-named 6/66, 6/70 and 6/71, were constructed, and the project, which required all-new tooling was green-lit by Willys-Overland president Joe Frazer.

However a sudden change in management put an end to the project. Frazer had a falling out with Ward Canaday, the firm's chairman, and he was promptly replaced by former Ford executive Charles 'Cast Iron Charle' Sorenson.

Sorenson proposed an entirely different vehicle, one that would remind the buying public of the wartime Jeep. Stevens was given the task of designing a more utilitarian vehicle whose body could be stamped out in a recently acquired appliance factory. The presses had a maximum draw of six inches, which naturally made the expressively curved sedans that Stevens and de Sakhnoffsky had designed out of the question as their streamlined bodies required expensive deepdraw presses and dies.

Many Jeep-Willys enthusiast are happy that the prototypes were shelved, as in a short three days Stevens came up with the cleverly designed 1947-1948 Willys Pickup, Station Wagon and Jeepster, all three of which remain popular to this day.

In early 1947 de Sakhnoffsky was hired by Texas ice baron Hugh A. Drane to

design the interior of his new private coach, the 'Nisise' - the May 19, 1947 Corsicana Daily Sun reporting:

"CORSICANAN OWNS SUPER-BUS

"Special Vehicle Is Ordered By Drane; Excels Pullman

"Hugh Drane through the years has employed the latest and best transportation available He now travels in his new specially built bus—that is more like but excels the finest Pullman coach on the railroads in its accommodate and conveniences.

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and is one or two similar coacnes in the country (the other is owned by Augustus Busch III).

# Visits Ice Plants

"Drane plans to travel some 3,000 miles per month to his various ice plants over an area of 1,000 miles, extending from Amarillo to Corpus Christi. By using this method, he can sleep all night while the vehicle is plioted by the drivers, arise refreshed and ready for a busy day's work. Sleeping accommodations are one of the features.

"The coach was driven home early Wednesday morning from New York and is now located at the Drane home northwest of Corsicana. En route home the party, Mr. and Mrs. Drane, Ben B. Blackmon, Earl Pressley and Gilliean Rea, spent two days in Detroit visiting T. B. Futk, a lawn mower company executive, and friend.

"Sleeping accommodations are available for four persons, along with quarters for three crewmen if day and night driving is done. If a oneday trip is planned, fifteen can be cared for.

"In discussing his newest mode of travel, Drane said that he had a plane for a decade to get to his ten ice establishments, much faster and better than automobile or railroad travel, but weather conditions frequently grounded his plane and much valuable time is lost. The coach can go in most any kind of weather. The capitalist had been thinking of the new mode of travel for the past three years. He considered a special railroad car, but abandoned that idea in favor of the bus.

#### "Special Features

'Among the special features are an intercommunicating phone system from the compartments to the driver's seat, a fire detector on the driver's dash, carbon dioxide fire extinguishers, air pressure that operates the brakes, opens the doors and keeps up the water pressure, hot and cold running water with 110 gallon storage of cold and 20 gallons in the hot water container. The hot water is heated from the engine exhaust. A two horse-power direct current generator is a feature, while the entire coach is air cooled and heated.

"Clothes closet is one added luxury while there is a shower lavatory and tollet accommodations to the main compartment and to the guest quarters. Propage gas is used in the four-burner and broller stove located in the kitchen between the two compartments. There is a turn indicator in the kitchen connected with the driver who signals when and in what direction a turn is contemplated so that the cook can adjust or accommodate himself and his pots and pans to the changed directions without the danger of mishaps or accidents. An ice refrigerator provides sufficient storage for food. The dishes and silverware are located in specially built compartments, placed in cushioned rows so they will neither rattle nor be broken. Each compartment has storage spaces, ample drawers for cosmetics, etc., humidors for men's smokes, etc., and ample mirrors are found, including one full lengthed mirror door for the ladies. A septic tank is found under the coach. Tires are 11" x 22" and dual rear wheels are provided. The coach is white and stainless steel.

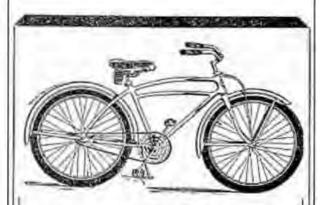
# "Designed by Belgian

"Alexis Sakhnoffsky, New Canaan, Conn., Belgian automobile designer prior to World War I, friend of Drane, designed the interior of the coach. After World War I, Sakhnoffsky came to America, is a naturalized American. His wife, a countess, is also an American. They plan to visit Mr. and Mrs. Drane this summer. The designer was a colonel in the U.S. Army during World War II. He frequently contributes to Esquire magazine. A ship-building concern prepared the interior.

In discussing the relative cost of airplane travel and the bus, it was brought out the planes cost from \$15,000 to \$22,000, but a pilot's salary is from \$750 to \$1,000 per month.

"Glean Rea, Corsicana a former Corsicana High School football star and recently separated from the armed forces, will be the operator of the bus. The newest travel method looks like it would be ideal for a fishing trip to the choice sites on rivers off the main highways, but it won't. The long coach requires considerable space in which to be turned around, and besides, the 26,000 pound conveyance could not negotiate the trails that lead to fishing sites, and would break through the timber and comparatively weak bridge structures generally found on the by-roads. Life Magazine will carry a special article on the new





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соаch and representatives will be here within a few days."

Brook Stevens brought in de Sakhnoffsky as a consultant when he was hired to assist Kalser-Frazer's in-house designer (Duncan McRae) and engineer (Dean Harmond) with the firm's 1949 and 1950 model offerings. Stevens and de Sakhnoffsky were given the task of preparing the firm auto show exhibits and dealer showrooms, and also provided minor styling adjustments to the 1949 models and helped McRae and Harmond with some of Kalser-Frazer's 1950 models.

Throughout the 1950s de Sakhnoffsky contributed illustrations and articles to a number of magazines, one of which was Motor Trend, one of the first automotive 'buff books' – a term that refers to a magazine written for enthusiasts, rather than consumers or industry insiders.

He penned several articles for the publication, including a recurring column entitled "Trend of the Future" which presented new designs of interest to Motor Trend's readers. The following column accompanied illustrations that appeared in the September 1949 issue of Motor Trend, Vol.1, No. 1:

Trend of the Future

\*On the following two pages, Colonel Alexis de Sakhnoffsky presents his version of the coming trend in automobile styling. Many readers will recall his futuristic designs presented several years ago in Esquire magazine.

"Some of the more important features of this design are the following:

'bubble' windshield

rear deck handle integral with license plate light massively-designed bumper combined with airs scoop and... 'psychological styling' (suggesting speed) consisting of louvers and twin exhausts

The instrument panel is composed of a large speedometer, a tachometer, and a matching round dial for other standard instruments. The round buttons on the steering wheel spokes are blinker lights to indicate that gas or oil supply is low. Center of the panel has a combined radio grill and round television screen."

The Count was also interested in early automobiles and was a charter member of the Michigan Region of the CCCA (Classic Car Club of America) which was organized on April 15, 1949. He was also an active member of the Western Michigan chapter of the VMCCA (Veteran Motor Car Club of America).

Even being the Count's ex-wife was deemed newsworthy, an INS News wire story dated October 21, 1949 announced her second divorce:

"Marriage of East-West Ends

"Los Angeles (INS) - Ethleene Singh, 30, writer and one time designer, obtained an uncontested divorce Thursday from importer Gurdial Singh, 40, after she testified that 'It's impossible for an American woman to make a go of marriage with a Hindu.' Mrs. Singh, formerly married to Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, famous industrial designer, said that the spiritual conflict between the American and Indian ways of life gave her stomech trouble and caused her to lose five pounds a week."

Apparently de Sakhnoffsky's work on the American Austin and Bantam made him the country's de facto small car expert and he produced a illustrations for Powel Crosley's advertisements. In 1950 he was brought on board to facelift the 1951 Crosley line, which due to budget constraints resulted in a new grill and not much else. The Count's new grill included a miniature reinterpretation of the pre-war Crosley's bullet-nose, abandoned in its 1949 redesign by Powel Crosley and Carl W. Sundberg a partner in the Southfield, Michigan industrial design firm of Sundberg & Ferar.

De Sakhnoffsky and August Duesenberg served as judges at the inaugural 1952 International Motor Sports Show's Concours d'Elegance. He also contributed to the program as follows:

"The Thrill of Speed by Alexis de Sakhnoffsky

"What is this thing called speed?

"Few among those who enjoy it will venture to define the thrill which

speed gives them. Bobsied pilots claim that the thrill of this sport consists of traveling at over 80 mph, with an all-time knowledge that you cannot stop. Fighter pilots indulge in 'buzzing' or landing their ships at unnecessary high speed for the sheer 'kick' which they get

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out of it. Does it boister their ego? Does it give them relief from an inferiority complex? Or is it an outlet for the bravado instinct, which can be found in all of us?

\*Opinions of psychologists, who study reactions of men who enjoy the excitement of filiting with death, are divided. They report such sensations as:

"The exhibitarating feeling of a powerful machine throbbing beneath you..."

'The thrill of being in control of your life and death...'
'The peculiar delight of being at liberty to take risks or avoid them...'

"Whichever facet of this fascinating vice fits you, you know you will always continue to indulge in it and will consider being called a recidess medimen an unthinkable affront. This is a close affinity between those who enjoy this 'flat out' feeling' and the relatively few who can capture the illusion of speed on paper.

"It is impossible to convey the full measure of fast movement with pencils, brushes, and paint. But artists, who have been blessed with the opportunity of handling a thoroughbred at 100 plus, retain an eternal imprint on their output, which cannot be easily erased.

To draw sport cars, you have to be deeply conscious of what is mechanical beauty. There is something human in the appeal of a custom-built creation. After driving fast cars, a motor artist discovers that as he becomes more mechanical, the magnificent beast is becoming more human. The tapered highlights on its metal skin are reminiscent of taut, young muscles under an athlete's sweaty skin.

"The whole body of a thoroughbred sports car becomes a symphony of fast, functional lines, accented by power bulges, oversized tachs, twin exhausts, and knock-on wheels.

"What makes a car look fast? Naturally there are such elementary features as lowness, length of hood, etc. These are "musts" in a speedy silhouette since they are directly related to air resistance and feeling of power. Psychological styling adds details which suggest, by inference, thoughts related to speed.

"For instance, a large tachometer does not add a single extra mile to the top speed of a car, but reminds one of the oversized revolution counters observed on Grand Prix jobs. Tiny, short gear-shift lever 'reeks' of lightning gear changes, and rows of louvers symbolize a high performance engine. An oval grille brings to mind Ferraris and Maseratis and a honey-comb air intake the roar of an SSK.

There is a wealth of inspiration for a designer in a close study of characteristic features of real racing cars, in which power-bulges are not molded by phony stylists, nor port holes added to identify a new model. Some of these details are authentic elements of a modern sports car design, but a seasoned designer will use them sparingly, as an experienced chef, who accents his creations with mere dabs of

#### spices.

"What are forecasts for fashions in the sports car field? Who copies whom in this industry? There is a peculiar anomaly among style trends of today. We can see Detroit stylists adopting simplified, functional shapes favored by European designers, while on the other hand, original American style features are being beautifully interpreted by Italian craftsmen. Such names as Farina, Vignale, and Ghia are fast becoming as well known as the reputed Saoutchic and Figoni & Falsachi.

"There is no doubt, however, that the tussie for supremacy in sports car design is confined to Britain and Italy. British leadership, with classic but 'passé' designs, is being seriously challenged by pure, exciting lines of the latest creations from Milan and Turin.

"Recent Continental Shows provide some interesting international fashion hints. Smart sports cars in 1952 will 'wear' exposed wheels, hoods plunging lower than headlights, and simple functional accessories. Enclosed wheels and deep décolleté on doors are not chic anymore. Finally, some recent road races bear indications that a trend is developing toward enclosed sports car bodies for long distance competitions.

"Let us hope that the timid steps taken by Detroit manufacturers in unveiling a few prototypes of U.S. sports cars will result in an ultimate style leadership. The enthusiasm of American sportsmen should



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outweign indecision and production consideration."

A 1955 Issue of Bus Transportation mentioned that de Sakhnoffsky was working on a project for Mack:

\*LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE of bus design is famed automotive stylist Alexis De Sakhnoffsky, hired by Mack to design the bus of tomorrow.

"There could be new developments in bus design soon... as Mack Trucks, Inc., has just retained famed engineering stylist Alexis de Sakhnoffsky to look into the future and translate what he sees into today's buses. A leading authority on automotive design, Sakhnoffsky has pioneered major style trands both here and abroad, where for six years in a row he captured the Gran Prix for design at the Monte Carlo Biegance Contest."

During 1952 he was retained by Preston Tucker to help him design a second Tucker, a sports car that was christened the Carloca. The Count wrote a short article about the project shortly before his death that was published posthumously in Automobile Quarterly (Vol. 4, No.1) and titled 'The Second Tucker'. The car was also featured on the cover of the July 1955 issue of Car Life which included an article entitled 'Preston Tucker's Production Line Rod'.

In his article for Automobile Quarterly the Count fondly recalled his friend:

"Preston Tucker was easy to know and hard not to like. In the four years prior to his death of lung cancer, our acquaintance, which began strictly on a business level, grew into a close friendship. And I came to admire his unvarying optimism and consistently logical approach to the most complex problems. How can I describe such a man as Tucker? 'Audaclous' is the word that comes quickest to mind,

for it was indeed audacious of him, in the first place, to have tried to invade a field dominated by experienced industrial giants. Then, though he suffered a moral as well as monetary defeat in the downfall of his enterprise, he began immediately to conceive of means to try again.

"Hounded by creditors, his own credit at its lowest ebb, and bitter at the manifest injustices that had been dealt him, Preston racked his brain to find another approach to the problem of turning his dream of a car into a reality. He came to me to seek help in putting down on paper what he planned as the Tucker Number Two.

\*Preston felt that much of the sheer enjoyment of motoring was missed when you drove a boxy family sedan, functional though it may be. He wanted to build cars that were fun to drive. His conception of a fun car was a sporty looking vehicle of intriguing design, whose performance was sparkling, and which could be sold at a profit for \$1,000.

"My first meeting with him took place in 1952 in his Ypsilanti, Michigan, headquarters where he had salvaged a rather well-equipped machine shop from his first automotive venture. There, laid out on long tables, was a complete assortment of automotive parts that could be purchased readily on a C.O.D. basis. Noting my surprise, Preston explained that as soon as a new model produced by any of the Big Three automakers reached the manufacturing stage, the 'gray market' immediately tooled up to produce identical or facsimile parts for the replacement business. Such facsimile parts included wheels, steering mechanisms, electrical systems, transmissions, radiator cores, brakes and what have you. Some of them were already in subassembly form.

The designer's problem had thus been simplified, or made more complex, depending on how you looked at it: he would have to create a car that utilized a maximum number of available parts and a minimum number of parts that had to be built from new tooling. Also, it should be a car that could be put together with little difficulty. Aware of the pitfalls, but fascinated by the thought of becoming associated with such an incredibly imaginative man as Preston Tucker, I agreed to submit ideas for the design of the Tucker Number Two.

'In his original car building program, Preston had employed a team of bright, young engineers who had helped him develop the first Tucker car. Later, unable to remain idle, these men drifted away, accepting jobs with various established manufacturers. It is a tribute to Preston's magnetism that all these men remained on call in the event he would ever be able to start up again. The loyalty of some of the men I met personally was heartwarming.

"Preston's Ideas were unorthodox, to say the least, and he was



unabasneony organization about imposing them, nor one thing, he claimed that research had proved that from ten to twelve pounds of accumulated mud, gravel and tar are carried at times under each of the four fenders of a conventionally designed car. His solution: cycle fenders, which could be removed easily for cleaning and thereby abet the road performance of the car. He also insisted on what I can only describe as Pierce-Arrow-like headlights, rising part-way out of the front fenders, which would turn with the wheels as the car was steered. And of course there would be a third headlight—in the center, and stationary — because it had now become a sort of Tucker traderrark.

"The third Tucker mandate was a rear engine. Preston believed that this location offered several advantages. There would be much less noise; the front end could have a slim and streamlined shape; and there would be added safety for passengers in case of a front-end collision.

The instrument panel of the new car was to be the acme of simplicity: an oversized speedometer surrounded by four blinkers—for fuel, oil, temperature and amperes. The pointed tail of the eventual design had been advised by the racing car designer Harry Miller, with whom Preston had worked earlier in his career and whom Preston deeply respected. In fact, one of Miller's sketches was turned over to me for inspiration. To further the fun car notion, there was to be an unusual, curved rear-seat design, reminiscent of that of a motorboat.

The greatest deterrent to producing the car was the cost of body and sheet-metal dies. Naturally, some die work (hood and rearengine cover, specifically) had to be considered. But for constructing doors and other components involving simple one-way stretch or rolled operations, Preston received an enthusiastic response from a number of house-trailer builders. He believed, and I concurred, that since composite bodies had given more than satisfactory service to trailer owners for many years, there was no reason why such assemblies could not be used on the new Tucker car and shipped directly to the buyer along with the rest of the parts. The Tucker fun car was to be sold in kit form.

"Since Preston's credit was nil, a Detroit bank was designated to act as a kind of trustee and deal directly with the parts manufacturers. When a customer made a suitable and sufficient payment to the bank — either directly or through a finance company—orders were to be immediately dispatched by the bank to participating manufacturers, who in turn began shipping parts to the customer. Bills of lading were also to be credited by the fiduciary bank to each manufacturer, but no bill was actually to be paid until all the parts had been delivered.

"Tucker knew that among the nation's repair garage owners there were a great many who were eager to obtain Big Three franchises, but unable to, for one reason or another. Preston hoped to tap this reservoir of frustrated car dealers and also to provide the future Tucker owner with a service outlet. The customer would be urged to have his car assembled by a specially authorized garage owner for a prearranged fee of \$60 (that is, ten hours at \$6 an hour, as outlined in a manual accompanying the components). In this manner, the new Tucker company would acquire a dealer organization, and the customer would be assured of service for his car.

"Hearing about plans to build this car, Juscelino Kubitschek, who was then the president of Brazil and a friend of Preston's, offered inducements in the form of tax-free plants, if the car could be assembled in his country. Intrigued by the offer, Tucker made several trips to Brazil and even considered launching the car in South America. Because of this possibility, Preston and I agreed to call the car the Tucker Carloca — Carloca being the name of the ballroom version of the samba and also the name applied to a citizen of Rio de Janeiro.

"Although I did not agree entirely with Preston's conception of how the car should look, I prepared a number of roughs that embodied his ideas, and from these he selected the design herewith. Close scrutiny of the concept will reveal some flaws, of course, but it is reasonable to assume that many of the inherent problems would have been solved eventually. Unfortunately, the project progressed no farther than the rough-sketch stage, which was a profound disappointment to me, for the idea of a strictly fun car is always present in the auto designer's mind. And I think this would have been a fun car to build."

Although a prototype was never constructed by Tucker, one enterprising fan of the vehicle claims to have one currently under construction.



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In 1957 de Sakhnoffsky was retained by the footwear manufacturer Pedwin to design a series of automobiles that would be included in an imaginative series of full-page magazine advertisements during the coming year. A press release announced:

"The Pedwin Sports Car Design Promotion: 'Mr. Dream Car'

The man who invented dream cars is back with a complete new line of sleek imaginary sports cars. This month, American magazine readers will see once more a style of drawing that to many of them especially those who were reading men's magazines before World War II – is as familiar as the pin-up girls of Petty or Vargas. The sleek, imaginative dream cars of Count Alexts de Sakhnoffsky, which graced the pages of Esquire for years, are to appear in a series of monthly magazine ads.

"The series will include 12 Sakhnoffsky designed sports cars and will run one each month in the pages of several national magazines as part of an advertising campaign for Pedwin Shoes. Reason for the sports car theme, says the shoe concern, is the 'increasing interest nationally in sports cars by the young men of America'. Admirers of the Sakhnoffsky drawings will be able to obtain dye-transfer color reproductions by writing for them.'

A de Sakhnoffsky speaking engagement was covered by the April 4, 1958 issue of the Holland Evening Sentinel (MI):

"Alexis de Sakhnoffsky Addresses Rotary Club

"Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, Russian commercial artist and designer of furniture, automobiles, radios and electrical appliances spoke to the Rotary Club Thursday noon at the luncheon meeting at the Warm Friend Tavern. He told of his experiences while in the Intelligence Corps as Lt. Col. with the U. S. Army in World War II, stationed in Moscow. Harold Ramsey introduced Mr. Sakhnoffsky to the 55 members present. Seven guests and one visiting Rotarian were also present."

During the 1950s de Sakhnoffsky maintained a residence in Grand Rapids, maiding periodic visits to Milwaukee, as a part-time illustrator and styling consultant to Brooks Stevens Associates. He also did some freelance work for third parties which included the Attwood Manufacturing Co., a major supplier of aftermarket and OEM boating hardware. A circa 1961 Attwood catalog offered a 'Seaflite Riviera line designed by de Sakhnoffsky'.

In 1961 he relocated to Atlanta, Georgia with his third wife, Joan, to take a parttime position with Mills B. Lane, the wealthy president of Atlanta-based Citizens and Southern National Bank for whom he created portraits of his rather extensive collection of Classic motor cars.

In partnership with Lane the Count sold sets of lithographs of some of his early works through small display ads in the back pages of Road & Track, Motor Trend and Antique Automobile, Builb Horn and Classic Car, the address being 'Stable of the Thoroughbreds, Box 4899, Atlanta, Georgia'.

He also designed a series of runabouts for Atlanta's Feather Craft Boat Co., one of which was mentioned in a review of the 1962 New York Boat Show published in the January 14, 1962 New York Times:

"SMALL OUTBOARDS STILL APPEALING; 40 Builders Have 180 Such Craft at Collseum

The New York show probably surpasses all others in tonnage, but without the small outboard propelled craft it would lose much of its popular appeal. This year more than forty builders have installed about 180 such runebouts and cruisers in the Collseum.

"Builders of the metal boats appear to have gone in for refinements more strongly than most. Among them is Feather Craft's 16-footer Meteor, selling for \$950. Her styling was conceived by Alexis de Sakhnoffsky."

Some of de Sakhnoffsky's work for Mills B. Lane Jr. was published in a 1978 issue of Automobile Quarterly which also included a Beverly Rae Kimes interview with Lane concerning his relationship with de Sakhnoffsky, which is excerpted below:

"I think he came to Atlanta to die," Mills Lane said quietly.

"Alexis de Sakhnoffsky had lived a full life. He was sixty now. Behind him stretched a career that had seen his ideas grace such diverse chasels as Panhard Bolle-Bovce Hispann-Suita Memedes-Book Flat





SEEKS \$1000 MONTHLY ALIMONY—Charging Count Alaxis De Sekhnoffsky, right, Russian-born engineer of streamline planes, autos and boots. Lavored a lave life in the "discreet" but "modern" style. Counters Ethleone Sakhnoffsky, left, the former Ethleone Frasies of Chicago, asked the court at Los Angeles, yestarday, for \$1000 monthly apperate maintenance. She told Judge Thomas C. Gould, who took her plea under advisement, that her husband left her three months ago and said that he was in love with another momen.—AP WIREPHOTO.



Puch, Minerva, Packard, Willys, Cord, American Bantam and Nash.

Ahead of him? 'As long as I can hold a pencil and draw cars,' he once said, I will be happy.' But that was difficult now. His hands were stiffened with arthritis.

"And he was poor, by his standards certainly. A man accustomed to the superiative, who considered the 'better' things in life merely adequate, an aesthete who looked upon life as a work of art, a man like that could but spend profligately. Alexis de Sakhnoffsky had. And now the money was gone. An occasional assignment from Esquire magazine and a war pension earned in two years' service—he left a lieutenant colonel—for the United States Air Force during World War II provided subsistence, but not much more. And so he traveled to Atlanta. There was a military cemetery in nearby Marietta; when the time came there would be space for him there. It was 1961.

"If all this suggests melancholla, that impression should be dispelled immediately. Alexis de Sakhnoffsky was too proud a man to feel sorry for himself. And he was too imaginative not to find some way to enjoy

We despite his circumstances. Besides, he had just met Milis Lane.

"What Mils B. Lane and Alexis de Sakhnoffsky shared was, from disparate sectors, a common flair for the flamboyant—and, on an aesthetic level, that perhaps innate quality, a sense of good taste in the possessions with which one surrounds himself. The only difference between them now was that Milis Lane could afford to indulge in possessions and Alexis de Sakhnoffsky could not. Fortuitously for the latter, among the things the former chose to collect were automobiles.

"Daddy owned one of the first little Maxwell roadsters, the last car he drove was a Detroit Electric,' Mills remembers. The first Packard in the Lane garage was a Twin Six touring car, followed by more Packards, then a Cadillac Type 57 and more Cadillacs. When I was fifteen the Lane family took a tour of Great Britain in a Silver Ghost and I fell in love with that car. When I was at Yale in the mid-Thirties I bought a secondhand Model A Ford roadster for \$65 and drove it back and forth between New Haven and Savannah for two years. I was reading a lot about Alexas de Sakhnoffsky, I was fascinated by what he did to cars."

"It was during this period, when the most exotic collection of automobiles anywhere in the United States was gathering itself together in Atlanta, that Mills Lane met Alexis de Sakhnoffsky. T'm a hero worshipper,' Mills admits. 'I was in awe of him. After a few drinks, I relaxed a little more and we became friendly, but I was in awe of him until the day he died.' For Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, meeting Mills Lane was the tonic he needed. Here was a man who not only loved beautiful cars, and could talk about them, but who also possessed an assemblage of them that would impress the most blasé sophisticate.

"Miles and Alexis became fast friends. 'I loved him,' Mills remarks with affection. 'I was crazy about the guy. He was such a proud man, and perfectly delightful, a mervelous companion.' The two discovered other interests in common. Mills is a genuine gourmet, appreciative of fine food elegantly served; Alexis negarded eating as an ethereal experience. Alexis was a connoisseur of good wines; since the age of twelve when he had his first glass of port in Juarez, Mills has been likewise.

"But principally it was Mills' cars that drew the two men together. You could see him become younger, you could visually see it, when he was around them,' Mills remembers. 'All of a sudden, he seemed less it, as if his health had come back so he could fully enjoy himself among the objects that were his first love.' When Mills decided to open his collection to the public, he commissioned Alexis to paint the cars which comprised it. Ultimately, he would complete forty-two of the portraits, which were displayed in the new museum. He exercised poetic Scense on some of them,' Mills smiles, 'but I guess I expected that.' They were the last illustrations Alexis ever did..."

Count Alexis Vladimir de Sakhnoffsky died on April 29, 1964, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Following de Sakhnoffsky's passing, David R. Holls, former assistant to the Vice President of Design at General Motors Corporation, acquired a large number of the Count's original pieces of artwork which were donated to the Benson Ford Research Library after Holls' death in 2000.

Surprisingly certain pieces of de Sakhnoffsky's streamlined blond furniture remain in production today. Leonard Riforgiato, owner of the South Beach Furniture Co., Miami, and investment banker Andrew Capitman bought Heywood-Wakefield's





assets and by 1993 were reproducing more than 35 examples of the firm's streamlined furniture, which included a number of the de Sakhnoffsky-designed Crescendo line.

They're still in business at 2300 Southwest 23rd Street Miami, FL. heywood-walkefield.com.

A gorgeous 1:16 replica of de Sakhnoffsky's L-29 Cord was offered by Danbury Mint and remains in high demand today.

In 2011 Finish illustrator Janne Kutja produced a limited edition tribute to de Sakhnoffsky that's available from his website.

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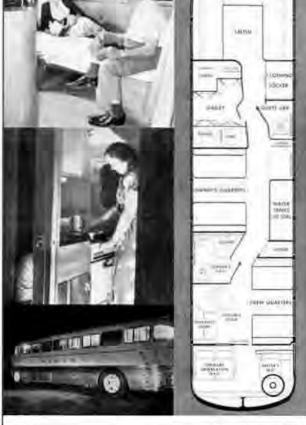
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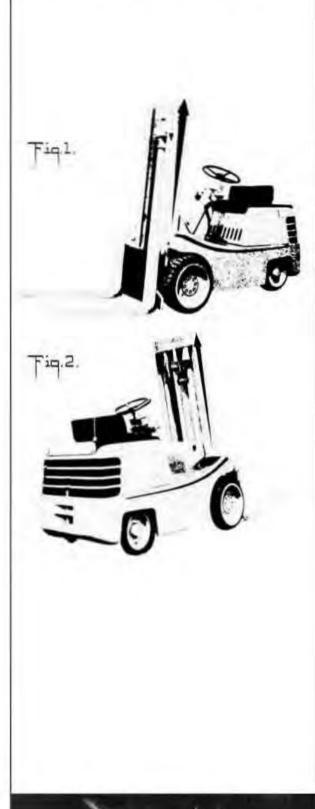
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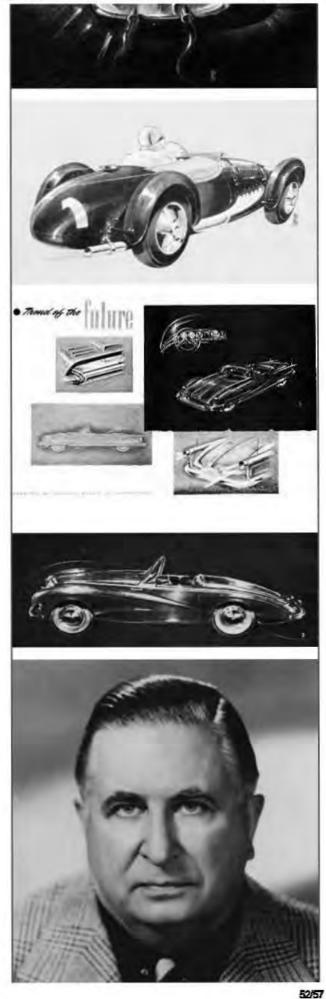




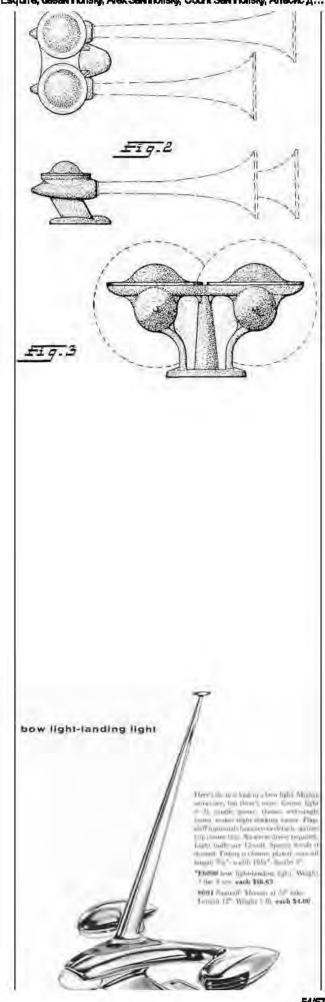
















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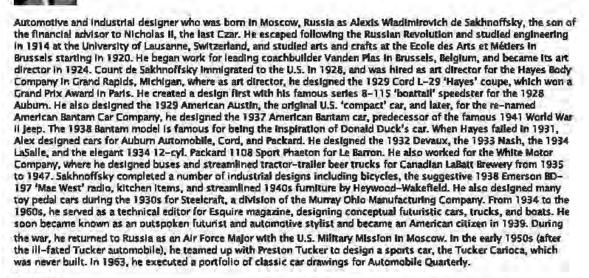
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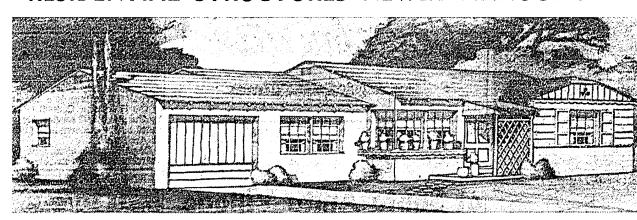
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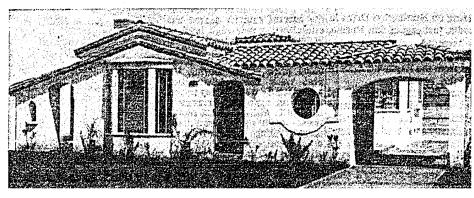
Bella Vista Sales Gain 21 Per Cent Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Aug 18, 1940; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Ángeles Times (1881-1990)

### RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES NEWLY ANNOUNCED

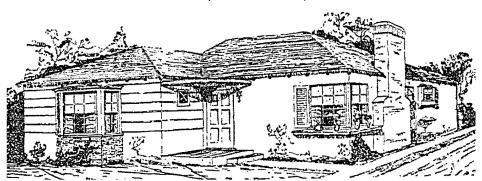


OF MONTEREY STYLE—The above-pictured attractive home, which has an attached garage, consists of a living room, two bedrooms, rumpus room, junior dining room,

kitchen and also a service porch. The Pioneer Builders, from whom this home design has come, state it can be built on the owner's lot at a cost of \$3050.



INVITES VIEWING—This six-room, two-bedroom home, just completed at 3867 Degnan Ave., Leimert Park, is now open for inspection. Its approximate cost is \$4800, exclusive of site. Construction was by Elwain Steinkamp.



TAKING FORM—This home with a two-car garage complete can be built on owner's lot for approximately \$3000, according to Perfection Home Builders. The dwelling can be seen under construction at 4325 Farmdale Ave., North Hollywood. A variety of exterior styling is available at no increased cost, it is explained.

# HUGE BALLROOM TAKING SHAPE

Work Starts on Floor of \$1,000,000 Project

The huge new \$1,000,000 Pal ladium ballroom-cafe on Sunse Blvd. in Hollywood is rapidly taking form in the block dl rectly between the National and Columbia broadcasting plants.

The exterior structural worl has reached a point which per mits the suspended ceiling and springing floor work to be start ed, according to Gordon B. Kauf nann, architect.

The entire interior will be ultra modern and offer many nnovations. Among these is a 'star dust" ceiling encircled by ipproximately 1,000 lineal feet of plastic fabrication, also ultra nodernistic in design. All the olor lighting designs are the reation of Frank Don Riha.

The building will include 15 tore units fronting on Sunset Blvd. Coldwell, Banker & Co. epresent Southern California Interprises, Inc., of which faurice M. Cohen is president, nder whose management the musement center will be con-

# Bella Vista Sales Gain 21 Per Cent

Attributed chiefly to the recent expansion in East Los Ange les industrial pay rolls, an it crease of more than 21 per cer. in homesite sales has been recorded in the past 60 days a Bella Vista, residential develor ment at Atlantic and East Beverly Blyds, it was reported by C. M. Hamilton, president of th Hamilton Sales Corp., exclusive sales ground for the present.

sales agents for the property.
Considering the fact that thi
strong gain in lot sales was mad to normal trends, the improvement is especially noteworthy the realty man pointed out, an illustrates the increasing popularity of East Los Angeles as residential center.

#### Home Builders Add to Share of Loans

Persons borrowing to built rersons borrowing to built new homes, either for themselves or to sell to somebody, received the largest share of the June savings, building and loan association volume of loans that they have had in any month the pass 10 years, the United States Savings and Loan League reports Out of the total of \$106,984,000 which they disbursed to borrow which they disbursed to borrow ers for all purposes, the associa-tions placed \$35,523,000, or 33.2 per cent, in new construction financing.

#### School Expanding

A \$57,290 addition to the Potrero Heights School in Potrero Heights was started last week. It consists of a classroom building and an auditorium and is being built as a W.P.A. project.

## distoric Property Vill Be Divided

The historic Alhambra estate, nown as the "old Bishop place," Commonwealth and Bay State ts., is about to become a memcy. W. H. Casady of Los An-cles has announced it will e divided into nine lots. The old home built by Rufus. Bishop in 1880 will be on

ne of the nine lots and its te will rest with the purchaser that site.

Palladium, Newest Hollywood Night Spot, Opens Its Doors: ... Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Nov 1, 1940; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990)



FUN CENTER DEDICATED—Dorothy Lambur, film actress, cutting ribbon held by Tommy Dorsey, band leader, at opening of Palladium, new million-dollar night club.

# Palladium, Newest Hollywood Night Spot, Opens Its Doors

Motion-Picture Celebrities Attend Dedication of Million-Dollar Ballroom-Cafe in Glamour City

Tables were turned on Holly-clouds of stars. He created vari-wood last night when the Pal-ladium, newest of the glamour city's night spots, opened its city's night spots, opened its doors for the first time on Halloween.

The million-dollar ballroomcafe, which can accommodate comfortably 7500 persons, was literally packed to the rafters when Band Leader Tommy Dorsey blew the first blast from his trombone and his orchestra let loose with some jive and swing music.

There were many motion-picture actors and executives to welcome the new adventure of Maury Cohen and his associates but what the crowd really wanted was dancing.

And so it was at 8:30 p.m. that the music began promptly. At 9:15 p.m. Dorothy Lamour, film actress, walked to the rostrum. There, standing beside Dorsey, she used a pair of scissors to cut she used a pair of scissors to cut a ribbon draped with orchids. This marked the only dedicatory ceremony

Truly Hollywood gazed on its newest home for entertainment. Searchlights threw their arcs into the skies and Mr. and Mrs. John Public walked into the new

ouilding.

The designer, Frank Don Riha, is responsible for the splendor of the new entertainnent palace, and one of his crea-

While the Palladium accommodates 7500, with 3000 couples being able to dance at one time, it was estimated that more than 10,000 were present last night. This did not include the many hundreds who stood in front to watch the arrival of celebrities.

Frank Riha, Architect, Dies at 58 Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Feb 19, 1957; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990) pg. 21

### Frank Riha, Architect, Dies at 58

Death came yesterday to Frank Don Riha, 58-year-old industrial architect and interior designer, of 2815 Exposition Place.

Mr. Riha, a native of Czechoslovakia, was educated in Prague and Paris and came to the United States when 20 vears old. He designed many well-known places including the Palladium Ballroom, Earl Carroll's Theater, the Cal-Neva Lodge at Lake Tahoe and a chapel in St. Paul's Cathedral in New York. He

lonce served as art director of 20th Century studios.

He leaves his widow Marjorie: two daughters, Mrs. Place address. Howard Crouch and Miss Sonia Riha, and two grand-pending at the Jones and sons, all of the Exposition Hamrock Mortuary.

Funeral arrangements are

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853-The "Wall of Fame", Earl Carroll's Theatre-Restaurant, Hollywood, California







The Earl Carroll Theatre Restaurant is on Sunset near Vine Street in Hollywood. This popular night club features extravagant stage presentations With a chorus of "the most Beautiful Girls in the World".

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\*"Like Carroll's other two
Theatre - Restaurant revues
of the past year, it will
make quite a splash even
in the Hollywood puddle
where its extravagant visual attractions are sure bait
for the night-life customers.
Stunning show girls
elaborate finale."
—Carl Combs.





\* "New Carroll show lives up to standards . . . wild applause exquisite girls . . . plenty of thrills."

—L. A. Examiner.

★ "Earl Carroll's remains a best bet for an evening out."

-Leo Simon.

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# PLEASURE"

★ "Producer Carroll appears to have another hit revue on his hands . . . dazzling array of beauties . . . spectacular production numbers . . sensationally clever . . resplendant and eye filling."

—Harrison Carroll.



★ "No limiting of the glitter and glamor that have made these revues at the theatre-restaurant lamous practi-cally cross country rich in color and beauty keeps you on edge all the time."

-Edwin Schallert.







Look Magazine Photo By Earl Thiesen

## Dedication . . . .

With numerous musical revues, stage shows and movies to his credit, Earl Carroll has at one time or another employed or worked with nearly every big-time screen and radio star who has come up from the stage. At the very beginning of the construction of the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, the three most popular comedians in the world, Bill Fields, Eddie Cantor and Jack Benny -all of whom have appeared in Carroll shows, and all of whom were in Hollywood at that time donned overalls, dug away in the excavation for the grinding newsreel cameras, then went on the air over a coast-to-coast CBS network from the construction site to dedicate officially the building of the Theatre-Restaurant. Below: The finished product, described as the glamour spot of glamorous Hollywood.





THE eyes of a nation have turned toward the architecture, construction, decoration and lighting effects of the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant. The fusion of the great talents of Architect Gordon B. Kaufmann, Frank Don Riha, interior designer, and Ford J. Twaits, construction engineer, has resulted in what must be described as glamorous practicality. Among its innovations, the Theatre-Restaurant contains the world's first attempt at vertical lighting. Contrary to the usual first impression, the lights which hang from the ceiling are not ordinary neon, but fleurescent zeon. There are over 1800 three foot tubes measuring over a mile in length, each tube containing less than 2 watts. The auditorium itself is a departure from ordinary theatre construction best described as "tear-drop shaped," while the double-revolve, 80 foot main stage is the largest in the world. In searching for words to describe the edifice, one authority said: "It's designed for the 21st Century!" The description fitsl

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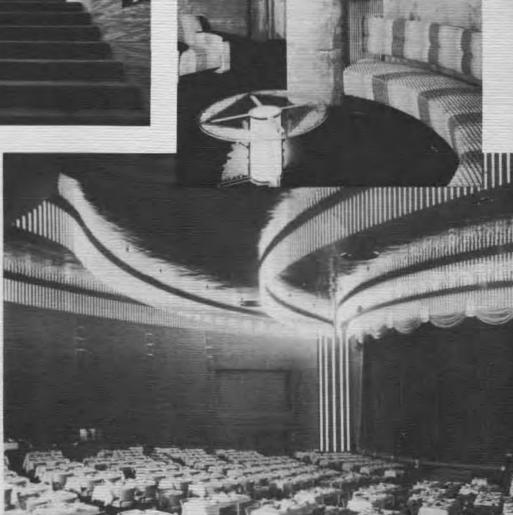
As judged by experts, the greatness of a work of art most often depends upon its adherence to a particular established class or school. The Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant, as the first building ever constructed for the wedding of a theatre and cafe, blazed new trails across the architectural sky. The comforts which you, as a patron, enjoy, are the results of painstaking attention to detail backed by experience and a touch of genius. Beauty and practicality blend into each other to produce a harmonious whole.



MORE elaborate than many a lamous cocktail lounge is the bar (upper right), above which are the portraits of the "most beautiful girls in the world." Pillars of van-colored light cast a comforting glow matching the deep rose, tans, blues and whites with which the entire Theatre-Restaurant is decorated. Flanking the stairs leading to the rest rooms are two statues by the renowned artist, Willy Pogany. The carved glass panel at the top of the stair-case is the largest ever constructed and depicts "beautiful young ladies aspiring to stardom." The ladies rest room (above, right) has walls lined in genuine fur, hand woven carpets and smoking tables of carved glass. The auditorium carries out the motif of luxury apparent in the theatre's appointments with a wood paneled wall on the left, a draped-in-satin wall on the right of the massive, tear-drop shaped, 40-feet-inheight room. The wood (masculine side) of the auditorium is brown, the draped satin (feminine side) is dark green, the ching on the tables blends with the light rose colored chairs and the dark rose of the carpeting. Tables are arranged in six terraces, each eleven leet wide and eighteen inches above the other, making every table in the theatre an ideal place from which to enjoy the



Architectural photos by Woodcock, Maynard Parker and Electrical Prod. Corp.





BEAUTY PARADA Costume Portraits by Lansdowne



Corset costumes designed specially for Earl Carroll by Hollywood-Maxwell Co.

### THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRLS IN THE WORLD

(Numbers refer to photographs on pages 6, 7, 8 & 9)

	Yolande Donlan	16	Patricia Lee
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3.	Vivian Coe	18.	Patti Sacks
4.	Mary Daniels	19.	Bonnie Otacar
5.	Geneva Jackson	20.	Sandra Jolley
6.	Mary Casiday	21.	Virginia George Rose Heitner
7.	Muriel Barr Ruthe Reid	23	Margaret Bryson
9	Barbara Lynn	24	Maxine Gregory
10	Harriet Bennet	25.	Florence Hansen
11.	Dorothy Barrett	26	Lorraine Clark
12.	Evelyn Atchinson	27.	Jetsy Parker
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39	Grace Richie
40.	Myrna Dell
41.	Kathleen McCormick
42.	Helene Leslie
43.	Gloria Lynn
44.	Julie Mooney
45	Lois Platten
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	Jean Hampton
47.	Marjorie Deanne
48.	Mary Peterbeck
49.	Phylliss Powers
50	Morine Howell
51.	Lois Andrews
52.	Gwynne Norys
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58. Susan Paley 59. Layerne Chase 69. Frances Gladwin

31. Bebe Porter

WITH more than forty productions to his credit in every branch of the theatre and motion pictures, Earl Carroll has had the honor of working with many of the biggest names in the entertainment world today. Among the well known personalities who have appeared in productions he has either written, directed or produced are:



Don Ameche
Ames & Arno
Lionel Atwell
Arren & Broderick
Olga Bacionova
Faith Bacon
lames Barton
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Milton Betle
Ben Blue
Ray Bolger
Lillian Bond
Bill Brody
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Fanny Brice
Helen Broderick
Bob Bromley
Eddie Cantor
Kitty Carliale
Cass, Owen & Topsy
Walter Catlett
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Clark & McCullough
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Reginald Craig
Ray Dooley
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Leon Ertol
Alice Faye
Vivien Fay
W. C. Fielda
Trixie Firschke
loe Frisco
Will Fyffe
William Gargan
Paul Gerrits

George Givot
Iames Gleason
Charlotte Greenwood
Harrison & Fisher
Harriet Hoctor
Arthur Hohi
Lou Holtz
Billy House
Wille & Eugene Howard
George Huston
Peggy Hopkins Joyce
Patsy Kelly
Dorothy Knapp
Prof. Lamberti
Letry Lester
Lolita & Arda
Bela Lugosi
Will Mahoney
Louis Mann
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Victor McLaglen
Susan Miller
Mitchell & Durant
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Lela Moore
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Lillan Roth
Charles Ruggles
3 Sallors
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Fritzie Scheft
Vivienne Segal
Peggv Shannon
Ann Sheridan
Slate Brothers
Smith 6 Dale
Ken Stevens
Harry Stockwell
Stroud Twins
3 Switts
Julius Tannen
Shirley Temple
Jean Tighe
Frank Tinney
Al Traban
Sophie Tucker
Walter "Dare"
Wahl
Beryl Wallace
Polly Wallers
Jrene Ware
Buster West
Thelma White
Bob: Williams & Red Dust
Herb Williams
Johnny Woods
Ygor & Tanya
Loretta Young
Robert Young



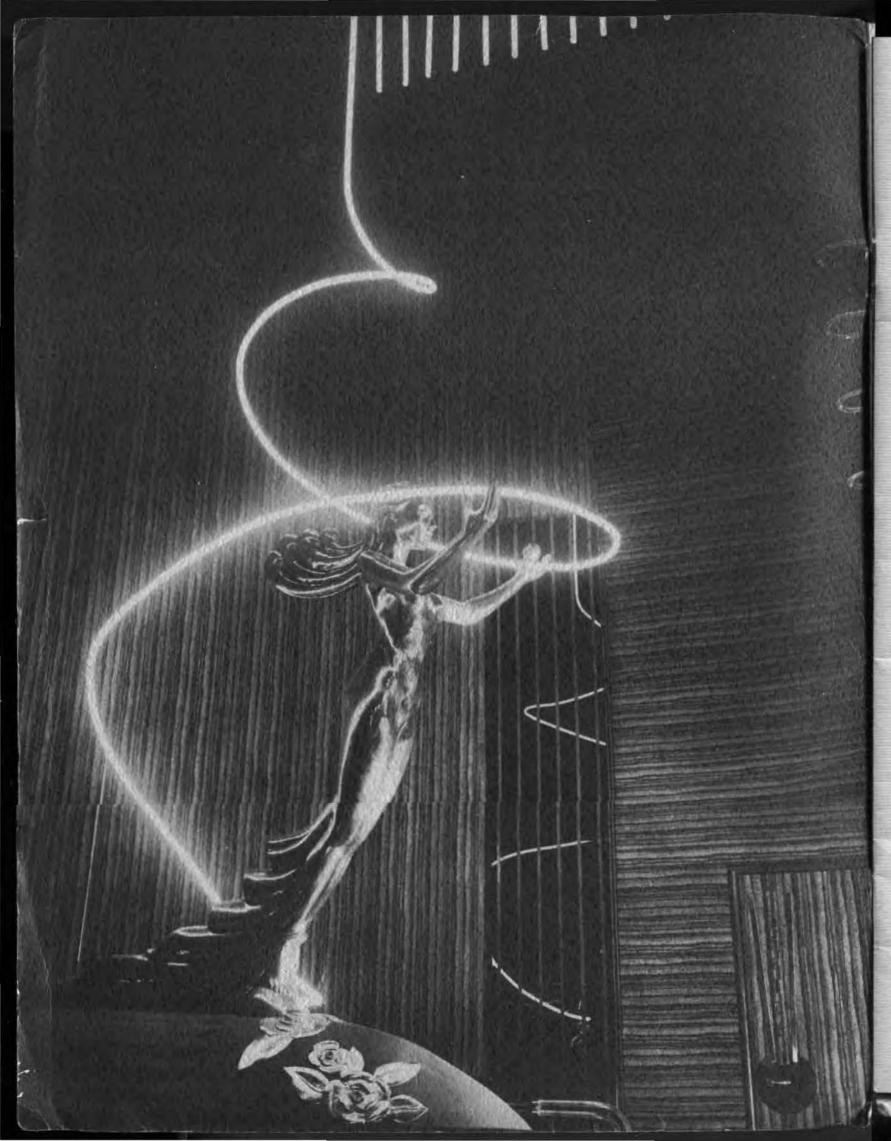
The preceding list should also include these nationally known musical directors: Don Voorhees, Al Goodman, Vincent Lopez, Duke Ellington, "Red" Nichols, Rudy Weidoff, Jack Harris, Ray Noble, Archie Bleyer and Manny Strand, as well as the following dance directors who have become famous in Hollywood: Busby Berkeley, Sammy Lee, Russell Markert, Leroy Prinz, Eddy Prinz and Larry Ceballos.



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# The Idea ....

The theatre is a land of make-believe. In no other field is the competition so keen, the fight for survival so bitter. In no other profession is success, once achieved, so easily lost. The fine line between success and failure is imagination.

I had learned all these truisms through thirty years in the theatre. I needed them all in bringing to a successful conclusion an idea which has become the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant.

This idea was predicated on observation and experience. Like many a producer, I was forced to face the inescapable fact the legitimate theatre was dying. Good restaurants were popular. Night clubs flourished. But, in its search for entertainment, the public seemed to have forgotten the theatre.

Why not combine the best features of all three? Why not a theatre for those who craved a good show, a dance floor for those who wished to dance, dinner for those who wanted to dine? Why not weld all of the components of night life into one unit?

The idea, amusing to toy with, grew into the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant,

For the first time, you buy your dinner at a box office.

Your seats (reserved in advance) assure you of a good table.

You hear a broadcast from an acoustically treated auditorium which doubles as a radio studio.

You dance on the largest doublerevolving stage ever constructed.

You witness a colorful stage revue featuring the most beautiful girls in the world while you enjoy an excellent full course dinner prepared by a celebrated chef.

You have found all the requirements of a pleasant evening—some reminiscent of your favorite theatre, others of your favorite restaurant, still others of your favorite night club—under one roofl

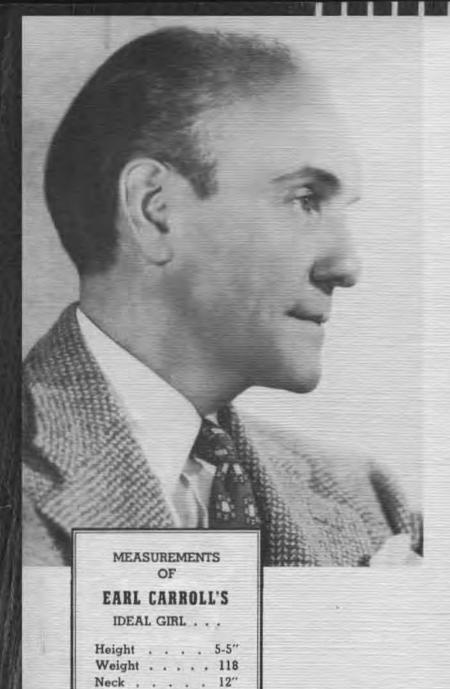
And, with your acceptance of the innovations of the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant, you have become a pioneer in blazing the trail for a new, vital, glamorous entertainment style.

Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. Americal

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Painting of Earl Carroll by Strandanees, presented to him by the girls of the "Vanities of 1930."



Bust . . . . . 34" Waist . . . . . 24"

Hips . . . . 351/2" Thigh . . . . . 19"

Ankle . . . . 9" Wrist . . . . . 6" AWARD FOR BEAUTY

MARKING the stairway which leads from the lobby to the second story in the Theatre-Restaurant are two statues created by Willy Pogany Symbolic, a pair of hands hold the epitome of beauty in their sensitive lingers. The hands are Mr. Carroll's. The statue (reproduced on the front cover of this book) has been considered worthy of becoming the annual Earl Carroll award. This award will be presented each year to the airl deemed worthy of the title, "Miss

For 2,000 years, the theatre has flourished in varying forms. All types of entertainment have been presented from every conceivable kind of stage. But never until Earl Carroll constructed his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood has the word, "host," been used to describe a stage impressario. For the first time, the inhospitable formality of theatre lobbies and seats has been dissipated. In their stead are an elaborate loyer and comfortable tables arranged in a luxuriously appointed auditorium. For the first time, too, theatre patrons enjoy dinner and dancing, as well as a spectacular stage

These innovations are not the result of an accident or a happy idea. They have their foundation in the experience and genius of a deep student of the theatre.

Earl Carroll, the man who made the slogan, "through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world" synonymous with fine musical amusement, now blazes a new trail as "your host, Earl Carroll, with an intimate, friendly form of entertainment presented in surroundings of stream-lined elegance at his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, California

For the first time, because of the complexity of the new entertainment form which he has created the personality of the man has overshadowed the medium in which he works

Earl Carroll, often called "The Earl of Pittsburgh" by his friends, was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the son of James Carroll and Elizabeth Wills, both of old

The theatre, which was to become his destiny, fastened its lure upon him early and he left school at ten years of age, suc-cessfully dodging the truant officers to become a program boy in the Alvin Theatre,

A FTER six years in this and other theatres, during which his job as program boy brought him into contact with such great personalities as Sarah Bernhardt, Richard Mansfield, Maude Adams, Richard Faversham, Mrs. Leslie Carter, Lillian Russell E. H. Sothern, Julia Marlowe and many others, he was seized with wanderlust.

Working his way across the United States, he shipped from San Francisco as a bellboy on the United States Army Transport, "Thomas," a few days after he became sixteen years of age.

For the next year, Carroll's life was what every adventurous youth dreams his life might be. He traveled slowly through the Orient, working as a solicitor for the Chinese Directory in Hong Kong, and at the Chinese Custom House in the same city. After a few months, he went to Japan stowed away out of Nagaski, found himself in Manila where he obtained work on the Cable News American. As a sailor on a British freighter, the youth from Pittsburgh thrilled to the wonders of India, Egypt and North Africa, but still he remembered the theatre. Then, rich in adventure and experi-

# Your Host \* \* \* EARL CARROLL

his first love, becoming a box office treasurer.

Strangely enough, in spite of the fascin-ation the theatre held for him, Earl Carroll never became an actor. His first success in the field was as a song writer. In collaboration he wrote many numbers including such hits of the day as "Isle D'Amour,"
"Dreams of Long Ago," and "Give Me All of You." His first real success came when he was engaged to write the music and lyrics of "So Long Letty" and "Canary Cottage," both of which were produced in Los Angeles.

With "So Long Letty" and "Canary Cottage" doing good business, Carroll returned to New York, where he settled down to write music and lyrics for stage productions, only to find his country at war. He enlisted and served as a pilot in the United States Army Air Service.

Shortly after the conclusion of the World War, a new producer launched himself in New York City with a play, 'The Lady of the Lamp," a Chinese drama he had written himself. The producer was Earl Carroll, and this was the beginning of a

ence, he returned to his home town and to career in which he has produced over 40 plays, musical comedies and motion pictures, climaxing with the construction of his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, the third theatre he personally has built

In 1923, he produced the first Earl Carroll "Vanities," of which there were 13 editions between 1923 and 1936, as well as "White Cargo," the stage play which broke all existing records of that era

PRODUCTIONS which bore the Earl Car-roll production stamp within the next few years, included. "Uptown West," "The Rat," both dramas; "Florida Girl," "How's the King," musical comedies, and the comedies, "Laugh That Off," "Mary's Other Husband," and many others.

With two "Sketchbooks," and two "Palm Island Revues," to his credit, he was brought to Hollywood in 1934 by Paramount Pictures for "Murder at the Vanities." Later he went with 20th Century-Fox where he held production reins on such pictures as "Stowaway." with Shirley pictures as "Stowaway," with Shirley Temple, Alice Faye and Robert Young, and "Love Is News" with Tyrone Power, Loretta Young and Don Ameche.

But the lure of the theatre was not to be denied. Returning to that field, he constructed his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, California, bringing to a realization a dream of years, the creation of a new style in entertainment-a theatre which could-and does-answer the public's demand for a streamlined evening.

Earl Carroll himself is a tall, slightly built man with a ready smile and a gentle manner Considered the world's foremost authority on feminine beauty, he'll give you the measurements he considers perfect, but hastens to add:

Perfect physical proportions do not al-ways mean a girl is beautiful. True beau-ty springs from some inner source deep within the personality of the girl, herself.

That's the theory by which this beauty expert selects the girls who appear on his stage. There's a tinge of that same inner personality in Earl Carroll, himself, which in reflected in everything he does. That's why an evening at his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood is not merely an evening at the theatre - it's an experience created from experience for your ultimate enjoy-ment by-"your host, Earl Carroll!"





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Search for the most BEAUTIFUL GIRLS in world



Gene Lester

THE committee for the "watch-the-building-I go-up" clan hardly had settled themselves comfortably to watch the construction of the Theatre-Restaurant in November 1938 when Earl Carroll's first call for girls to grace the stage of the Temple of Beauty under construction was announced. Via newspapers, billboards, radio and telephone, the news spread like wildfire.

"My only requirement is that each girl must be breathtakingly beautiful," said Earl Carroll.

From Hollywood, from Los Angeles, from surrounding towns a veritable flood of beauty descended upon the theatrical producer.

Gene Lester



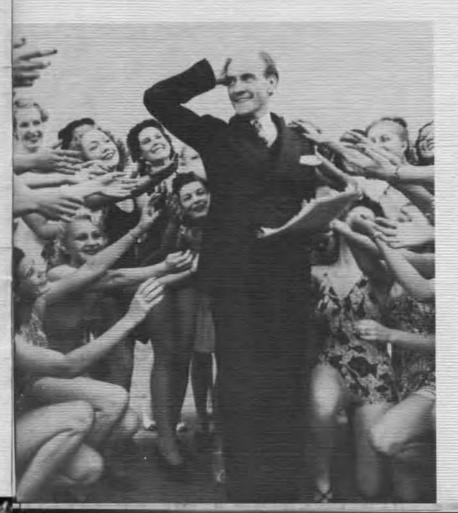
In all, more than a thousand girls (below) answered the first Hollywood call. Succeeding calls, held both in Hollywood and New York, swelled the total of applicants to 6,000 -from which he selected finally the sixty who bear "the most beautiful girls in the world" tag.

Selection of beauties was run on a definite schedule. Mr. Carroll personally looked at each of the 6,000 applicants. Gradually, through a series of eliminations, the number was narrowed down until the sixty most ravishing girls of all remained. Those girls now grace the stage of the new Theatre and, more than any other group which ever appeared in an Earl Carroll revue, carry "the most beautiful girls in the world" title with dignity and grace.

Typical of the manner in which calls for girls for all Carroll shows are handled, applicants were segregated acording to height. Then, in lines of twenty, they were asked to step forward, count off, make quarter turns, face front. On each turn, Carroll walked up and down the line, checking each girl individually, selecting those by number who answered his rudimentary requirements. Points of beauty Mr. Carroll considers are: color and texture of hair; brilliancy and size of eyes; regularity of teeth; smile; general coloring; texture of skin; formation of hands and feet; posture; personality.

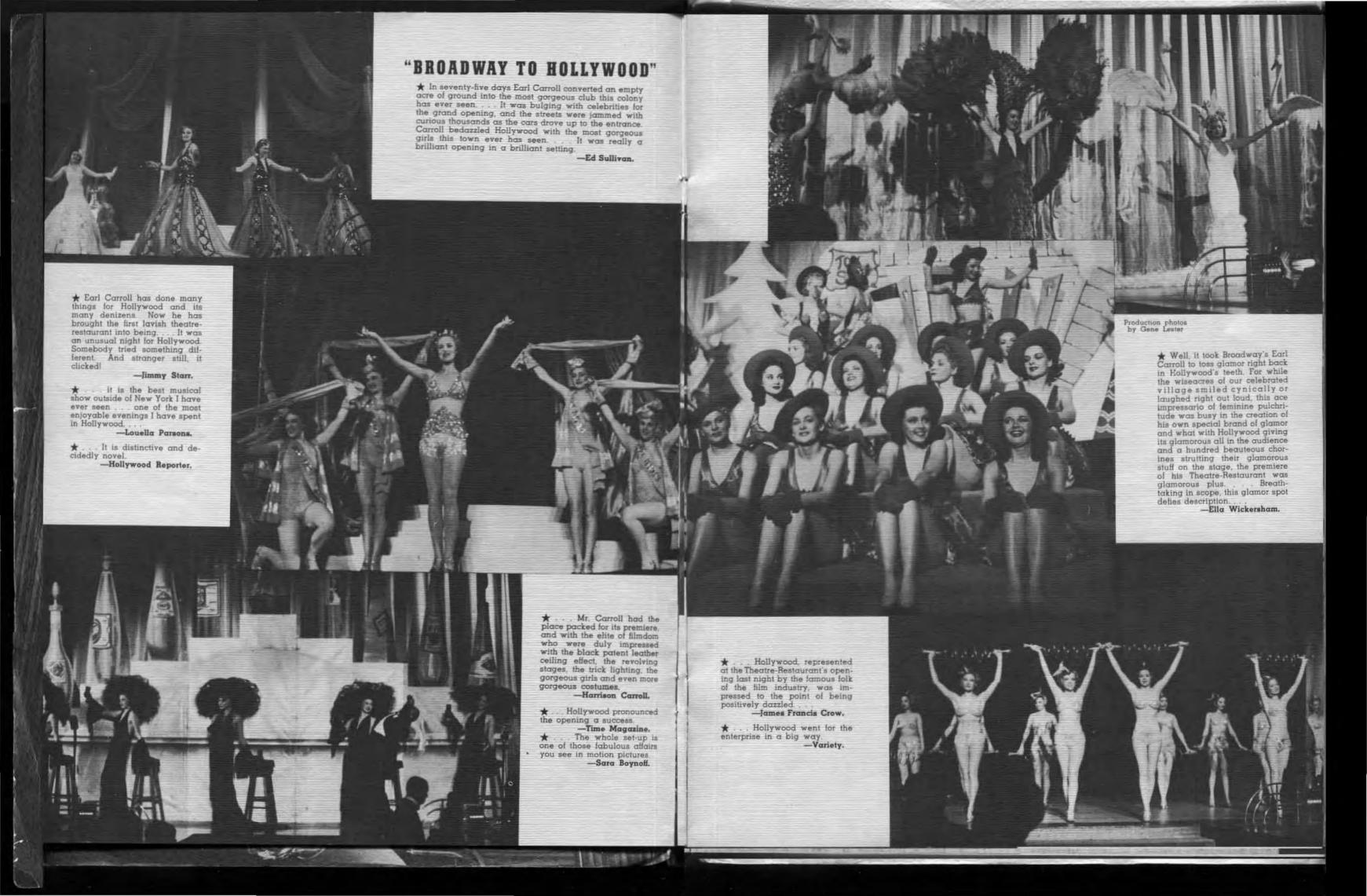


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Calls were repeated day after day, with a gentle dismissal for those who didn't measure up, orders for those who did to report at a later date. When the group was narrowed down to 300 (after he had made two flying trips between New York and Hollywood) each girl was granted a personal interview.

As a result of these personal interviews, a final selection was made. Immediately the chosen few were launched into a period of intensive training under the direction of Carroll's corps of assistants. Fundamentals, such as walking gracefully, correct posture, correct hairdress and makeup were first attended to. Then came the actual learning of steps and the setting of dance routines. The work was fast, furious and difficult, but-five weeks after the final call, sixty ravishing beauties, trained for their careers as "the most beautiful girls in the world"-were ready for Hollywood's scutiny, and approval. How they dazzled the beautysaturated film capital from the elaborate stage created for them by a master showman, now is Hollywood history.





★ . . . A much better balanced show than its predecessor . . . Carroll's new show is by far the most elaborate revue available to the local stay-up-laters.

-Harrison Carroll.

★ . . . Feminine beauty is lavishly revealed to the vision and even in Hollywood, which makes so much of that particular element, 

 $\bigstar$  Dazzling sun arcs, gorgeously gowned women and the throngs of autograph hunters without which no Hollywood opening is considered legal these days marked the premiere of Earl Carroll's new revue, "World's Fairest." . . . Magnificent lights and beautiful girls are competitors for honors in the production, but the 60 girls win-they are indeed. "World's Fairest."

-Florence Lawrence.

★ ... The show is girls in sarongs, girls in plumes, girls in spangles, the crystal girls, girls as hitchhikers, girls on skates and bicycles, girls with tambourines, and girls who pat the cheeks and pinch the ears of the customers.

-Virginia Wright.

\* . . Lavish is the word for Carroll. . . It's a big show.

-Sara Boynoff.

\* . . . never seen so many beautiful girls. -Jimmy Fidler.





\* Earl Carroll's new revue with Willie and Eugene Howard and the "most beautiful girls in the world" , is a riot of entertainment from start to finish.

—Louella Parsons.

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Earl Carroll's HOLLYWOOD





★ "As a whole, 'Something to Shout About' is something to shout about. You should get set for a large evening. In fact the average playgoer would need a second trip to the show to take in all the features."

—W. E. Oliver

### "SOMETHING TO SHOUT ABOUT"

★"Earl Carroll's 'Something to Shout About' is new, sparkling and full of even prettier girls than the famous showman has presented during his successful career as a producer here."

-Florence Lawrence

★"... loaded with bright, snappy entertainment."
—Jimmy Starr

★"... glamorous premiere ... girls never more beautiful ... The title is correct." —Harry Crocker

★"Special arrangements had to be made to accommodate the extra-special sized audience in this famous establishment of songs, music, comedy and glitter."

—Edwin Schallert

★"... first rate principals, ... first rate material, an abundance of pretty girls ... peerless showmanship ... comes across with a bang."

-Harry Mines

★"... cream of the talent ... Carroll has whipped up one of his best afferings to date." -Hollywood Reporter

### "STAR-SPANGLED GLAMOUR"

➤ Star Spangled Glamour is . . . bigger than the shows that preceded it at the Sunset Boulevard night club . . . It is remarkable how beautiful the Carroll costumes are."

-James Crov

\*Earl Carroll hits the mode of today in 'Star Spangled Glamour, his new revue... It got off to a royally good start last night. There are banner-line acts, and zip is more plentifully mingled with glamour in the show as whole than usual... It reveals a striking effort to attain the spectacular."

-Edwin Schallert

-Harry Mines

\*Earl Carroll's new revue, 'Star Spangled Glamour,' opened at his Hollywood Theater last night with an imposing cast of principals and new routines for his 'most beautiful girls in the world."

—Florence Lawrence

★"Into the holiday spirit Earl Carroll projects himself with another of his slickly staged musical revues combining all ingredients of entertainment for which the veteran showman is most favorably known. 'Star Spangled Glamour'... is an array of sparkling talent headed by vaudeville's well remembered Dave Apollon."







### Dedication . . . .

With numerous musical revues, stage shows and movies to his credit. Earl Carroll has at one time or another employed or worked with nearly every big-time screen and radio star who has come up from the stage. At the very beginning of the construction of the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, three of the most popular comedians in the country-Eddie Cantor, Jack Benny, and W. C. Fields-all of whom have appeared in Carroll shows, donned overalls and dug away in the excavation of the construction site to dedicate officially the building of the Theatre-Restaurant. Below: The finished product, described as the glamour spot of glamorous Hollywood.

### "LET FREEDOM SWING"

"Earl Carroll celebrated his fifth year in Hollywood with the presentation of 'Let Freedom Swing'. It is in its production numbers that the opus is especially outstanding."-Florence Lawrence, Drama Editor, Los Angeles Examiner.

"'Let Freedom Swing' is a big and expensive show. It is jampacked with singers, dancers, comedians and specialty dancers... the spectacle numbers are supercolossal."—James Crow, Drama Editor, Hollywood Citizen-News.

"The new revue has clouds of beautiful girls, spectacular musical ensemble numbers, eye and breath-taking costumes . . . the two acts afford one of the town's best full nights of showtime."-W. E. Oliver, Drama Critic, Los Angeles Herald-Express.



"Let Freedom Swing' swung into line at its premier at the Earl Carroll Theatre. It is a show of sufficient ampleness to assure marked attractiveness . . ."—Edwin Schallert, Drama Editor, Los Angeles Times.

"The audience awarded a nice share of applause and laughter to Let Freedom Swing," which maintained a fast clip and allotted a generous share of pretty girls."—Harry Mines. Drama Critic, Los Angeles Daily News.



# Architectural Splendor . . .

As judged by experts, the greatness of a work of art most often depends upon its adherence to a particular established class or school. The Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant, as the first building ever constructed for the wedding of a theatre and cafe, blazed new trails across the architectural sky. The comforts which you, as a patron, enjoy, are the results of painstaking attention to detail backed by experience and a touch of genius. Beauty and practicality blend into each other to produce a harmonious whole.



More elaborate than many a tamous cocktail lounge is the bar (upper right), above which are the portraits of the "most beautiful girls in the world." Pillars of vari-colored light cast a comforting glow, matching the deep rose, tans, blues and whites with which the entire Theatre-Restaurant is decorated. Flanking the stairs leading to the rest rooms are two statues by the renowned artist. Willy Pogany. The carved glass panel at the top of the staircase is the largest ever constructed and depicts beautiful young ladies aspiring to stardom. The ladies rest room (above, right) has walls lined in genuine fur, hand woven carpets and smoking tables of carved glass. The auditorium carries out the motif of luxury apparent in the theatre's appointments with a wood paneled wall on the left, a draped-in-satin wall on the right of the massive, tear-drop shaped, 40-feet-in-height room. The wood (masculine side) of the auditorium is brown, the draped satin (feminine side) is dark green, the china on the tables blends with the light rose colored chairs and the dark rose of the carpeting. Tables are arranged in six terraces, each eleven feet wide and eighteen inches above the other making every table in the theatre an ideal place from which to enjoy the performance.







WITH more than fifty productions to his credit in every branch of the theatre and motion pictures, Earl Carroll has had the honor of working with many of the biggest names in the entertainment world today. Among the well-known personalities who have appeared in productions he has either written, directed or produced are:

Don Ameche Lionel Atwell Faith Bacon James Barton Milton Berle Ben Blue Ray Bolger Lillian Bond Fanny Brice Helen Broderick Eddie Cantor Kitty Carlisle Walter Catlett Bobby Clark Joe Cook Jessica Dragonette Jimmy Durante Leon Errol Alice Faye W. C. Fields Willie & Eugene Howard George Huston Peggy Hopkins Joyce Patsy Kelly Jorry Lester Bela Lugosi Jessie Mathews Victor McLaglen Moran & Mack Ken Murray

Joe Frisco William Gargan Billie Gilbert George Givot James Gleason Charlotte Greenwood Harriet Hoctor Rose Hobart Lou Holtz Billy House William Powell Tyrone Power James Rennie Ritz Brothers Edward G. Robinson Charles Ruggles Jimmy Savo Fritzie Scheff Vivienne Segal Ann Sheridan Slate Brothers Julius Tannen Shirley Temple Frank Tinney Sophie Tucker Walter "Dare" Wahl Beryl Wallace Bert Wheeler Loretta Young Robert Young

Jack Oakie

THE preceding list should also include these nationally known musical directors: Don Voorhees, Al Goodman, Vincent Lopez, Duke Ellington, "Red" Nichols, Rudy Weidoff, Ray Noble, Archie Bleyer and Manny Strand, as well as the following dance directors who have become famous in Hollywood: Busby Berkeley, Sammy Lee, Russell Markert, Leroy Prinz, Eddy Prinz and Larry Ceballos.



# The Theatre .....

This program is a souvenir of a breath-taking visit to the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood. Yes, Earl Carroll is an international celebrity! The millions who annually visit his luxuriously appointed theatre attest to this worldwide reputation. For years, his name has been synonymous with the best on the American stage. His muchly paraphrased slogan, "Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world," has been honestly earned, and to be chosen by him as an Earl Carroll girl is an honor for which every girl eagerly strives.

But, being America's premiere authority on feminine beauty is only one of Mr. Carroll's many attributes. Very few people know he actually produces, directs, and lights every revue which bears his name; that he selects all the music and is a composer in his own right, with more than four hundred published songs to his credit; and that he stages and creates each and every one of the spectacular girl numbers for which he has become so famous.

As you witness one of his glamorous productions, you are conscious that Earl Carroll possesses an inate appreciation of refinement and of niceness, which is reflected in every costume, and in every scene—in fact, in the smallest detail of his work.

Did you know that Earl Carroll has produced more than sixty legitimate productions, all of them hits? It's a record never equalled by any other producer of stage attractions. Furthermore, he is the only director who has built three great theatres during his lifetime—two magnificent edifices on Broadway and this latest triumph in Hollywood. He is one of the few acknowledged authorities on theatre construction. He is a master of state mechanics and, all in all, a true worker and lover of the theatre.

Yes, this program is a lasting souvenir of a glamorous visit to Earl Carroll's. With its lavish revue, its all-star cast, its unbelievable stage settings, its sensational double revolving stages, its sixty most beautiful girls—it is indeed a memorable, never-to-be-forgotten experience!



Painting of Earl Carroll by Strandanees, presented to him by the girls of the Vanities of 1930



#### EARL CARROLL'S

IDEAL GIRL . . .

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Bust				34"
Waist				24"
Hips			3	51/2"
Thigh				19"
Ankle				9"
Wrist			 	6"

#### AWARD FOR BEAUTY

MARKING the stairway which leads from the lobby to the second story in the Theatre-Restaurant are two statues created by Willy Pogany. Symbolic, a pair of hands hold the epitome of beauty in their sensitive fingers. The hands are Mr. Carroll's. The statue (reproduced on the front cover of this book) has been considered worthy of becoming the annual Earl Carroll award. This award will be presented each year to the girl deemed worthy of the title, "Miss

# Your Host \* \* \* \*

## EARL CARROLL

For 2,000 years the theatre has flour-ished in varying forms. All types of entertainment have been presented from every conceivable kind of stage. But never until Earl Carroll constructed his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood has the word, "host," been used to describe a stage impresario. For the first time, inhospitable formality of theatre lobbies and seats has been dissipated. In their stead are an elaborate foyer and comfortable tables arranged in a luxuriously appointed auditorium. For the first time, too, theatre patrons enloy dinner and dancing, as well as a spectacular stage revue.

These innovations are not the result of an accident or a happy idea. They have their foundation in the experience and genius of a deep student of the theatre.

Earl Carroll, the man who has made the slogan, "Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world," synonymous with fine musical amusement, now blazes a new trail as, "your host, Earl Carroll," with an intimate, triendly form of entertainment presented in surroundings of streamlined elegance at his Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, California.

For the first time, because of the complexity of the new entertainment form which he has created, the personality of the man has overshadowed the medium in which he works.

The great showman, who was born in Pittsburgh, was practically raised in the theatre. When he was only 10 years of age, he started as a program boy in his home town.

From that time on, his only interest was in the theatre—except for a few years when he traveled around the world seeking adventure. The only other time his theatrical career was interrupted was when he enlisted in the first World War as a pilot, spending 18 months in the United States Army Air Forces.

Starting as a song writer, Carroll became famous for several hits before he turned his talents toward producing. His first "Vanities" production was presented in New York in 1923, and this was followed by more than 50 dramatic productions and musical revues, which culminated when he was brought to Hollywood by Paramount Pictures as a producer. From there he went to Twentieth Century-Fox Studios, where he remained until he built his unique Theatre-Restaurant.



Earl Carroll's famous slogan, "Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world," has become a by-word throughout the nation. Originally coined by the great producer many years ago when he was presenting his stage revues in New York, the slogan, with slight changes, has been used numerous times by many organizations. Mr. Carroll, who first used the phrase as a tribute to his beautiful girls, received a letter from a group of fighting Marines stationed in the South Pacific, who asked if they might use the slogan over their barracks thusly: "Through these portals pass the finest fighting men in the world."

Above you see Earl Carroll, who personally selects all the beauties for his shows, and below, the finished product . . . "the most beautiful girls in the world."









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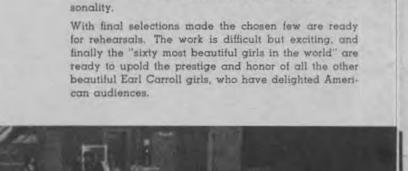
Like a modern Robert Louis Stevenson hero, Earl Carroll seeks constantly for treasure—the treasure of beauty. Each new revue is graced by sixty of the most beautiful girls in the world who are selected personally by Earl Carroll, trained by the greatest dance directors in Hollywood, and who bear their honors with grace and dignity.

When a call for girls is announced, crowds storm the backstage door of the Earl Carroll Theatre. As many girls as will comfortably fill the enormous stage are permitted to remain; others are requested to come back the next day.

"My only requirement is that each girl must be breathtakingly beautiful," says Earl Carroll.

Years of experience in selecting beauties enables Mr. Carroll to run the eliminations like clockwork. Girls are segregated according to height, then in lines of twenty they step forward, count off, make quarter turns, face forward. Those who measure up to the high standard are asked to step out and give names and addresses to the stage manager. This schedule is repeated until only one hundred or so remain. To this number are added the lovely girls selected in subsequent calls.

After the group has been narrowed down to some 300 girls, each is given a brief personal interview. Points of beauty considered by Mr. Carroll are: color and texture of hair; brilliancy and size of eyes; regularity of teeth; general coloring; texture of skin; formation of hands and feet; posture; and (very important) personality.



# THE WALL of FAME

Covering the entire Sunset Boulevard (acade of the Earl Carroll Theatre, actual autographs of celebrities of stage and screen form the much-talked about Earl Carroll "Wall of Fame."

Begun during the Screen Guild radio broadcasts at the Earl Carroll Theatre, each week saw more and more stars' names carved in the individual cement blocks. The huge squares are a permanent record of the handwriting of the glamorous folk who make Hollywood lamous. The autographs are notable for their clarity and uniformity, as well as the characteristic greeting of each star.

There has been absolutely no reproduction or imitation in the writing. Over a long period of time, the signers each made personal appearances at the Earl Carroll Theatre to inscribe their names. As each autograph was placed in position, news of the "Wall of Fame" spread over the country. Now, the Wall is a landmark of which Hollywood is justly proud and which attracts, thousands of visitors yearly from all parts of the world.

Of the signatures, Shirley Temple's is the easiest to read; Clark Gable's is as rugged as his own virile personality; Zasu Pitts was so flustered at the occasion she wrote "Oh, My" in such large letters there was scarcely room for her own name.

Names already included in this stellar roster, additions to which are being made often, as famous stars visit the beautiful night-spot, are the following:

Brian Aherne Gracie Alien Don Ameche Amos 'n' Andy Edward Arnold Fred Astaire Gene Autrey Lew Ayres

Kenny Baker
Binnie Barnes
John Barrymore
Wallace Beery
Rolph Bellamy
Joan Bennett
Jack Benny
Joan Blondell
Eric Blore
Humphrey Bogart
Connie Boswell
Charles Boyer
Fanny Brice
Joe E. Brown
George Burns

James Cagney
Eddie Cantor
Earl Carroll
Charles Coburn
Claudette Colbert
Ronald Colman
Gary Cooper
Joan Crawiord
Bing Crosby

Bette Davis Olivia de Haviland Cecil B. deMille Andy Devine Melvyn Douglas Jimmy Durante

Nelson Eddy

Douglas Fairbanks, Ir. W. C. Fields Errol Flynn Preston Foster Clark Gable Judy Garland Reginald Gardiner Janet Gaynor Paulette Goddard Cary Grant

Alan Hale Louis Hayward Rita Hayworth Jean Hersholt William Holden Bob Hope Miriam Hopkins Hedda Hopper John Howard

Gioria Jean Alian Jones Leatrice Joy

Boris Karloff

Elsa Lancaster

Charles Laughton Margaret Lindsay Mary Livingstone Harold Lloyd Carole Lombard Montagu Love Myrna Loy Bela Lagosi Jeffrey Lynn

Fred MacMurray Herbert Marshall Tony Martin George McManus Adolphe Menjou Ray Milland Ann Miller Carmen Miranda Robert Montgomery Frank Morgan Ralph Morgan

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Beryl Wallace Arleen Whelan Warren William Jane Withers Jane Wyman

Loretta Young Robert Young







Earl Carroll has done many things for Hollywood and its many denizens. Now he has brought the first lavish theatre-restaurant into being . It was an unusual night for Hollywood. Somebody tried something different. And stranger still, it clicked!

-Jimmy Starr.

. It is the best musical show outside of New York I have ever seen one of the most enjoyable evenings I have spent in Hollwood.

-Louella Parsons.



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-Ed. Sullivan.

. . . never seen so many beautiful girls. -Jimmy Fidler.

Feminine beauty is lavishly revected to the vision and even in Hollywood, which makes so much of that particular element, the Carroll selections seem unusually eye-filling . . . exceedingly clever . . .

-Edwin Schallert.

. . . The most terrific flesh show in Hollywood.

-Erskine Johnson.

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-Harry Crocker.



It is distinctive and decidedly Hollywood Reporter Hollywood pronounced the open--Time Magazine Hollywood went for the enter-



### RLD OF PLEASURE"

\* "New Carroll show lives up to standards ... wild applause exquisite girls ... plenty of thrills." —L. A. Examiner.

★ "Earl Carroll's remains a best bet for an evening out."

-Leo Simon.

★ "Producer Carroll appears to have another hit revue on his hands . . . dazzling array of beauties spec-tacular production numbers sensationally clever resplendant and eye filling "

-Harrison Carroll.

★ "Like Carroll's other two
Theatre - Restaurant revues
of the past year, it will
make quite a splash even
in the Hollywood puddle
where its extravagant visual attractions are sure bait
for the night-life customers.
Stunning show airls Stunning show girls elaborate finale."

—Carl Combs.







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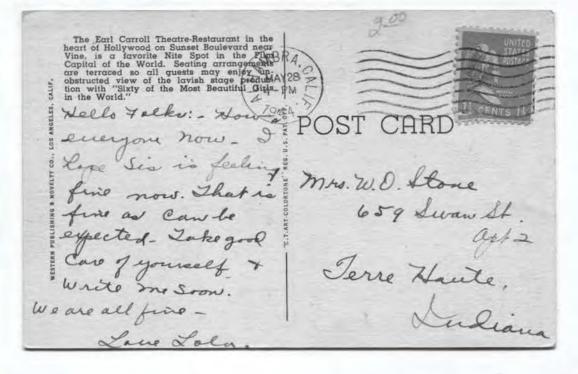
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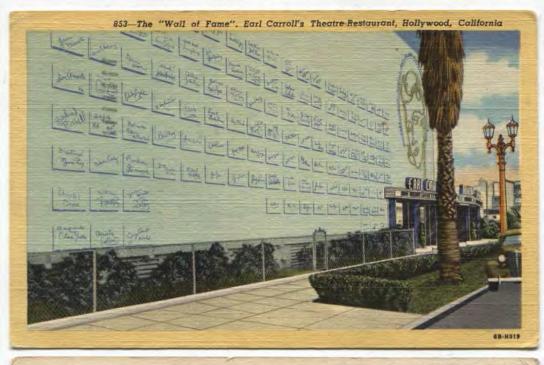
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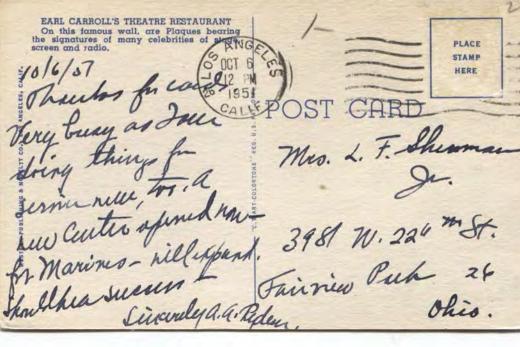
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Half Broiled Spring Chicken, Colbert Butter
Roast Young Tom Turkey with Stuffing and Currant Jelly
Baked Sugar-Cured Ham, Orange Sauce
Curry of Chicken with Rice a la Creole

Fresh Vegetables

Potatoes

## **DESSERTS**

Layer Cake

Assorted French Pastry

Sherbet

Ice Cream

Orange Ice

Cream Cheese

Blue Cheese

Coffee

# A LETTER EROM | Carroll

# "MEET THE MISSUS" PATRONS

Dear "Missus":

My new revue, "Sketchbook," which plays in this theatre-restaurant every evening except Monday night, opened recently. The newspaper critics went overboard when they witnessed this production—they said it's the best show they had ever seen in Hollywood or on Broadway.

That's not all. Contrary to the popular impression, Earl Carroll's is not expensive. Do you know that you can see my new revue—with 45 lavish scenes, 60 beautiful girls in costumes so gargeous I'm sure you'll find them absolutely breathtaking and a star-studded cast—for only \$1.65? And do you know that one-third of the people who attend Earl Carroll's never spend more than \$1.65? This is only the price of their admission ticket, because it is not necessary to buy a drink or order anything to eat! Of course, if you're anxious to take a holiday from your kitchen and prefer dinner, too, it will cost you only \$1.65 more. In other words, only \$3.30 to see this three-hour show and enjoy the superb dinner specially supervised by Marcel Lamaze and cooked by world-famous chefs. For those of you who like to dance, there is Manny Strand's orchestra which plays before, after and between shows.

You'll laugh at hilarious Pinky Lee, you'll enjoy luscious Beryl Wallace, handsome Billy Rayes, the inimitable Arnaut Brothers, Jean Richey, the dancing Costello Twins, Bill Brady, Jimmy Nolan, Louis Torres, the Tailor Maids, the Carrolliers and a host of others. You'll marvel, I'm sure, at the Street in Trinidad with real rain falling, the Pyramid of Hoops, the great Flags of the Nations finale — and the beautiful opening scene with thousands of yards of glorious feather boas.

Yes, "Missus," I sincerely believe my new show is a show you will want to see and see soon. Make your reservations now at the box office as you leave this broadcast or phone Hollywood 7101.

EARL CARROLL

P. S. — By the way, I almost forgot to tell you that I have my own farm — 30 acres of it — in the heart of San Fernando Valley. From this "Tiffany" farm come all the chickens and turkeys, as well as the garden crisp vegetables.



Outside of Carl Causel's Hallywood, California Sept. 1948

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#### TEN YEARS AGO THIS MONTH

JULY, 1944—Edwin Lester's magnificent "Song Of Norway" was the hit of the Civic Light Opera season with Irra Petina, Walter Cassel, and Sig Arno. It closed its run this month only because the Philharmonic Auditorium was booked and no other suitable theatre was available for so lavish a production. Interesting to note is that "Song of Norway," although created here in Southern California, enjoyed longer runs

New York, London, and almost all other major cities. In addition to the superb adaptation of Grieg's music by Robert Wright and George Forrest, and the wonderful scenery by Lemuel Ayers, memorable in this great show was the dancing of Alexandra Danilova and the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo. The choreography for "Song

of Norway" was by George Balanchine, who now ten years later displays his remarkable talents as Artistic Director and Choreographer for the celebrated New York City Ballet, now at the outdoor Greek Theatre in Griffith Park.

Gladys George delighted audiences at the Mayan with that priceless satire of Hollywood, "Personal Appearance." Making a personal appearance with Miss George was Lyle Talbot. Ken Murray's "Blackouts" was in its 3rd year at El Capitan, with Marie Wilson disrobing so innocently (and delightfully) to help World War II rationing. Remember? Other long runs included "The Drunkard" at the Theatre Mart, which now ten years later is still going merrily along in

its new musical version, "The Wayward Way." Elsa Lanchester and the Yale Puppeteers were in their third year at the Turnabout.

The show at Earl Carroll's Theatre-Restaurant was "V for Venus," with featured attractions being the comely Beryl Wallace, light hearted Pinky Lee, and the zany Weire Brothers. This July the famous showplace is in continental garb as the Moulin Rouge

and Frank Sennes' has brought new excitement to its stage with his gala stage production "Voici! Paris!"

At Florentine Gardens during the month was a parade of stars including the indestructable and beloved Sophie Tucker, Henny Youngman, Arthur Simpkins, the Christiani Troupe, and N. T. G.

The Biltmore had "Good Night Ladies" with John Hubbard, Wynne Gibson, Russ Brown, and Kay Linaker. At the Musart Theatre was an interesting production of the Emlyn Williams' melodrama "Night Must Fall," starring Howard Johnson and Lilian Fontaine.

The Hollywood Bowl featured such great artists and conductors as Mitropoulos, the Ballet Theatre, Marian Anderson, Ezio Pinza, Oscar Levant, the Katherine Dunham Dancers, Heifetz, and Sir Thomas Beecham. Again this season, a titled Englishman will be in the Bowl lineup—popular Adrian Boult. At the Greek Theatre was a season of light opera.

-Douglas Crane

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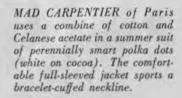
When America's big-name designers decide to underwrite sheer femininity, they can be depended upon to keep prettiness in its place and give us the chic simplicity that's part and parcel of their own good taste.

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Cotton is still cotton with all its practical aspects intact, despite its dressed-up airs and elegant look of silk. It goes out informally from sunup to sundown—then it points up the gala mood of evening in some of the season's loveliest dance dresses!

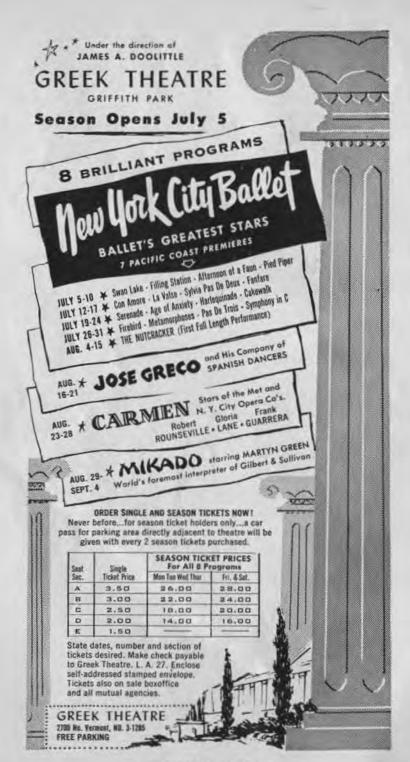






COTTON SATIN marked off with squares and woven dobby dots plan Tina Leser's approach to summer fashion. She uses both sides of the pastel fabric for texture and color contrast, bow-ties the skirt at either side to eliminate a belt.





# "Showplace of the World"

Welcome to Frank Sennes' Moulin Rouge! Welcome to Paris! Welcome to Hollywood! You are now sitting in the largest theatre restaurant on either side of the Atlantic—a theatre designed to bring you the gaiety of Paris and the glamour of Hollywood rolled into one.

Many of you know and remember that this unusual showplace was originally the dream of one of America's greatest showmen, the late Earl Carroll. It has long been recognized as the most acoustically perfect theatre ever built. Its huge double revolving stage measures 80 feet across and has been designed to bring you productions even more lavish than those of the famous Folies Bergere Theatre in Paris. There are lofty pillars that turn into circular staircases, and side boxes that become small shadowbox stages. Now Frank Sennes has brought to the new Moulin Rouge the breathtaking added charm of "Sennescope," a three-dimensional effect that gives one the feeling of sitting in Montmarte and looking out over the Parisian skyline.

Frank Sennes chose Earl Carrol's former theatre because it not only offered unique facilities but its very location bespeaks all the excitement of show business. It is in the heart of fabled Hollywood on legendary Sunset Boulevard, surrounded by motion picture, television, and radio-studios. Almost directly across the street, where Columbia Square now stands, is the site of the very first movie studio in the film capital of the world. Frank Sennes sees his Moulin Rouge as the hub of show business and the showplace of showplaces.

Through the portals of this remarkable theatre have not only passed "the most

beautiful girls in the world" but also about every great name that has been up in lights. Eddie Cantor, the late W. C. Fields, and Jack Benny actually donned overalls to help in the very construction of the house. In addition to great stage shows, innumerable radio and television hours have been broadcast from this stage—"Queen for a Day," "Meet the Missus," "Radio Hall of Fame," and many others. On the Wall of Fame outside the theatre is but a partial roster of the stars who have appeared here.

Frank Sennes realized that good shows, good music, and fabulous surroundings need one thing more—the finest bar service coupled with excellent food—to make gala occasions more gala. As modern as were the Earl Carrol kitchens, they have been even further enhanced to bring you the best cuisine under ideal conditions. And, to serve you in the manner you deserve, Maitre d'Hotel Marcel Lamaze, the best known Maitre d' in filmdom, is on the alert, or as the French would say, "quivive."

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### Who's Who . . .

#### at the MOULIN ROUGE

FRANK SENNES was born in Warren, Ohio in 1905. As early as his high school days he exhibited a fixed talent for producing and staging of all types of shows, and shortly thereafter he was booking such young hopefuls as Rudy Vallee, Coon Saunders and Guy Lombardo.

In 1930 Frank followed the great talent migration to the West Coast, where he managed the then famed Hollywood Gardens. Under his direction the Hollywood Gardens became one of the Coast's most famous niteries. One of the \$20 a week chorus girls was a beautiful blonde dancer who became known to the world as Betty Grable.

With this success under his belt, Frank decided to shoot the works and establish a booking agency nationally, which would feature the development of new and promising talent. His success in this new enter-



FRANK SENNES

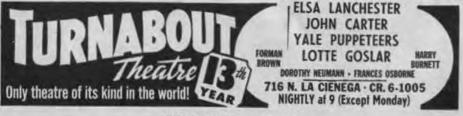
prise, which has since become the world's largest individually owned booking office, was reflected in the talent that Frank placed personally. Frankie Laine first worked for Sennes for \$3.00 a night, and Perry Como for \$35.00 a week! Even through the decline of vaudeville, Sennestime in the mid-west alone consisted of 102 solid weeks of booking for each act lucky enough to be under his aegis.

The greats and near-greats of show business still call Sennes, whom they regard as their devoted friend, from all parts of the world seeking last minute advice on acts and bookings. Sennes was the first person to introduce 'package shows' to the American public. He produces exclusively at the famous Desert Inn in Las Vegas and has created such time-proven hits as The Latin Quarter Revue and Minsky Follies. Max Liebman's "Cross Country." 'China Doll," "Merry Widow," "Peep Show."

The high-point of Sennes' career is in establishing the Moulin Rouge, the largest Theatre-Restaurant in the world. With the unique price policy and the Sennes-supervised productions he feels that the average person is at last getting a decent break. This is possible because of a volume business and because Frank is at the reins. A hard-working man, Sennes personally checks the countless details which ensure a successful establishment. The three-dimensional murals, the selection of a top staff brought in from all parts of the country, the booking of top acts are all part of Sennes' day. Perhaps the best indication of his interest and enterprise is the fact that you will always find Sennes on the scene, listening to comments, alert to suggestions. Anyone can see the boss about anything.

LOU CLARKE, General Manager, is Frank Sennes' key aide in charge of the over-all operation of the Moulin Rouge. Through Mr. Clarke's office pass the many thousands of seemingly unrelated details which are the life and soul of such an organization. Innumerable decisions are made by Mr. Clarke, and must be dispatched to his department heads for their action. Lou is the Mr. Big behind the scenes, and undoubtedly the most important single person connected with the Moulin Rouge.

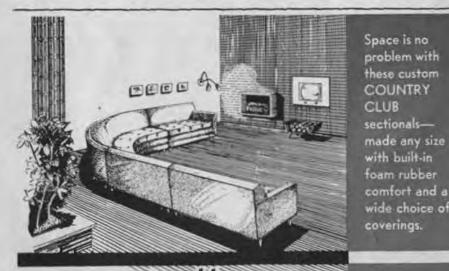
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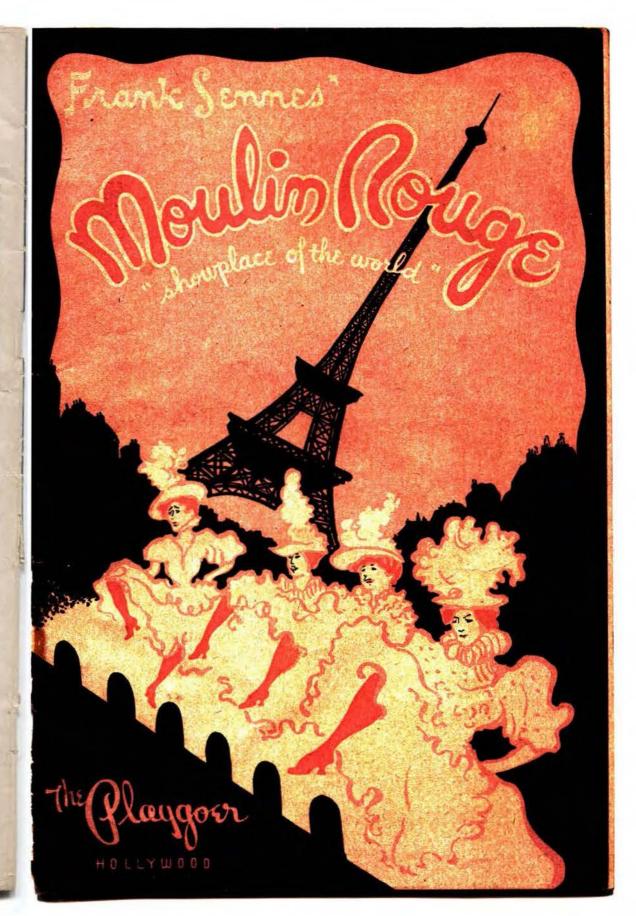




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#### Scene 9A VOICE DE LA SENSUALITIE (First Show)



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DONN ARDEN, producer of the magnificent pageantry you will see upon the stage of the Moulin Rouge, is generally acknowledged to be the world's foremost creative showman.

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DONN ARDEN

many years the only location with the only facilities suitable for pageantry in the Zeigfeld fashion. In 1952 Arden won the Grand Prix de Paree, for his productions in both Paris and Rome.

Arden began his long career as a dancer at a weekly stipend of ten dollars, of which one very important dollar was paid to his agent. He soon became interested in direction and at the age of 15 began to set shows at various clubs around St. Louis, his home town. Arden will be the first to admit that these productions were slightly less than artistic, but he gave them credit for starting him in the business he loves.

Perhaps the secret of Donn Arden's fabulous record of success is his great attention to details. The music, wardrobe, props, scenery, selection of girls, dance steps, even the lighting receives Arden's closest inspection. This penchant for perfection results in beautifully modelled and finely paced productions which have won

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Starting as a cigar-boy at George Rector's in New York, Marcel Lamaze has risen to the top of his profession. He has been at such swank spots as the club Seville and Clover Club in Hollywood; New York's Castles in The Air; Saratoga Springs Arrowhead Inn; and, of course, his own famous Cafe Lamaze.

The famous maitre d'hotel has the peculiar quality of knowing what patrons want and serves them accordingly. He considers it a special treat to be able to concoct new dishes as surprises for his patrons and he never forgets what a customer likes or dislikes. He can tell you, for instance, that Joan Crawford never eats dessert, while Loretta Young always eats two; Irving Berlin likes charcoal-broiled steaks, but they must be black on the outside; Marthat Raye clamors for bowls of seafood, and Groucho Marx is happiest when eating chopped liver and marinated herring.

Born in France and educated in America, Marcel Lamaze first learned to appreciate good food when still in his teens and working for George Rector.

MME, BERTHE was born into a talented Russian family. Her mother was a costumer, her father a musician. She began her career at a very young age, in Constantinople where she created costumes for the Ballet. Her work was highly praised by the Sultan and brought to the attention of the American Consul, who arranged for her to come to America. Her work here has taken her into every phase of showbusiness. She has costumed the leading nightclubs all over the U.S. Her Broadway credits include such memorable ones as Ziegfeld, Earl Carroll's, the Shuberts and The Theatre Guild. She has done work "on ice" for Sonja Henie, the Center Theatre and the Hotel New Yorker. Balletomanes will be pleased to learn that she returned to her first love, ballet, in doing the costumes for the Ballet Russe, de Monte Carlo, Her unusual talent lies in the fact that unlike others who design on paper, she designs while creating on the model form.

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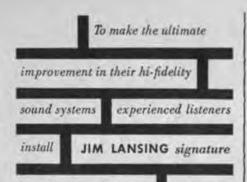


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Stars who played on this stage during the Vine Street days include Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Franklyn Pangborn, Edward Everett Horton, Lucile La Verne, Tom Douglas, Marie Dressler, Bobby Clark, Mrs. Patrick Campbell, Evelyn Venable, Mrs. Tyrone Power, Sr., and Marjorie Rambeau. Now, starting with Helen Hayes, the parade of famous names resumes at this historic showplace.

#### JOSE GRECO OPENS AUGUST 16

Following the six-week engagement of the brilliant New York City Ballet, Jose Greco and his company of Spanish Dancers will play a full week at the Greek Theatre, opening August 16. Whenever we think of Jose Greco we marvel at the durability of Danish hands. As some of you might recall, Jose holds something of a curtain call record. He and his troupe got 180 curtain calls at their premiere in the Danish capital! You have to give the Danes a hand for their strenuous applause.

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Bust	341/2"
Waist	
Hips	
Thigh	191/2"
Ankle	
Wrist	

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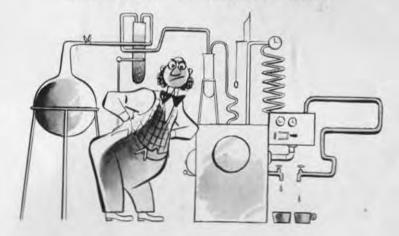
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Scene 5-MOONLIGHT SONATA

Lolita and Ardo

Scene 6-TREE OF JEWELS

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Pink Jewels:

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Scene 7-BOB BROMLEY

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B-Pianist

C-Skater

Scene 8-GATES OF SPLENDOR

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Scene 9-THE CRYSTAL LAKE

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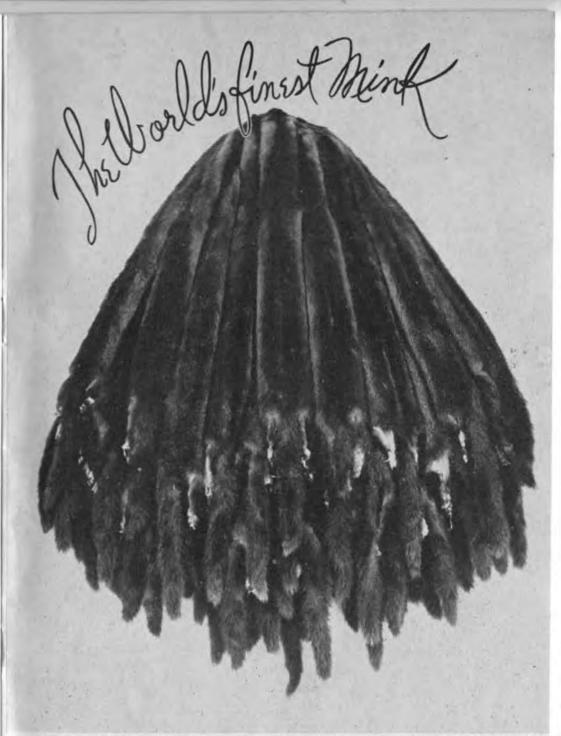
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#### · PROGRAM-Continued ·

Scene 11—ROBERT WILLIAMS AND RED DUST
Scene 12—THE TRIPOD PARADE
Song, "MY HEART IS A DRUM"
Scene 13—HUBERT CASTLE
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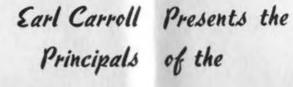
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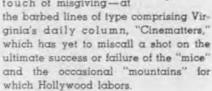


drama editor, but just for good measure is the daughter of a drama editor, pushes her pen for the Daily News and Evening News and she pushes it at a naughty angle that makes her alternately the joy and despair of Hollywood bigwigs.



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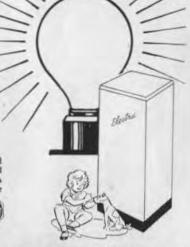
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Grace Richey made her mark as a model before joining the Earl Carroll revue, and has appeared in a score of pictures, including "The Great Ziegield," Zaza," "First Love," "Broadway Melody," "These Glamour Girls," "Dancing Co-ed," and "Destry Rides Again."

Marjorie Deanne, another of the beauties who appears regularly at Carroll's, was in "Girl School," "Sorority House," "Goldwyn Follies," and "Freshman Year."

Carlyn Crumley, one of the few titian-haired girls in the troupe, was seen in 'Three Smart Girls Grow Up." "Mad About Music," and "Stella Dallas."

Maxine Gregory has played in "Waikiki Wedding," "Hurricane," and "Roberta," while Sandra Jolley danced in "The Great Victor Herbert" and "Road to Singapore."

Virginia White, one of the newer girls to join the Carroll show, has stunted and doubled for several top-name stars, and has appeared in such pictures

That phrase is applied to numer- as "Cleopatra," and "Red Heads on

Loretta King's picture credits include "A Day at the Races" and "Maximilian and Carlotta."

Helene Leslie appeared in "The Great Victor Herbert" and "Gone With the Wind." Billie Lane has played a variety of roles in "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," "Dancing Co-ed," "Housekeeper's Daughter," and "Gone With the Wind."

Three recent box office hits are included in Nellie Colt's screen experiences: "Ninotchka," "Broadway Melody of 1940," and "Unexpected Father."

Pat Reilly, Laverne Chase, Gwen Stith and Dodie David, more Earl Carroll girls, have each played in from three to six recent screen hits.

And so on down the line. There is hardly a girl in the Earl Carroll show who has not faced the movie cameras; and there are a number whose work already is drawing lavorable attention from picture producers.

Another significant fact is that Earl Carroll himself recently staned with Paramount to produce a picture titled "A Night at Earl Carroll's." In this film, which will be completed within a few months, he will utilize the theatre as a set and his "60 Most Beautiful Girls" as a part of the show.

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A-Can Can Dancer B-Tap Dancer C-F. D. R.

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Scene 30-THE JUVELYS

Scene 31-RUFF DAVIS

Scene 32-CALLING ALL STARS

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Scene 35-THE FINALE OF SHOOTING STARS







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That idea was impressed upon the master architects who designed the building. It was driven home to the decorators. The result was the teardrop shaped auditorium, the patent leather ceiling, the "masculine side" of the interior, finished in wood, the "feminine side," hung with satin.

All of these innovations burst upon the public with the theatre's opening on December 26, 1938, as refinements in construction and decoration. To the cazual eye, they were a fitting setting for the glamorous stage revue Mr. Carroll presented on his tremendous revolving stage.

But, to the men who planned and designed the theatre, those innovations represented even more than that. They represented an acoustically perfect building in which musical concerts might be presented, and one from which successful broadcasts might be made.

This fall, that foresight bore fruit. The first Hollywood knew about it was the announcement that the Screen Guild Theatre for Gulf Oil, one of the most elaborate and star-studded shows on the air, would this year originate from the stage of the Earl Carroll Theatre-Restaurant in Hollywood, California.

The announcement came after weeks of careful testing by radio engineers under the direction of Charles Vanda, Regional Program Director for the Columbia Broadcasting System. As a result of these tests, the auditorium was declared acoustically perfect for broadcast purposes, and the decition of the control of the control

sion to utilize the theatre for the Gulf Screen Guild Theatre, thus automatically giving it the largest broadcast studio in Hollywood, was the result.

Held from 4:30 p.m. to 5 o'clock each each Sunday afternoon, almost every big-name star, producer, director and writer appears on, or works on, this program during the course of the year. According to Jean Hersholt, president of the Motion Picture Relief Fund, 709 of Hollywood's most talented individuals will have a hand in this year's series.

Clark Gable, Ginger Rogers, Cary Grant, Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland, Ann Sothern, Bette Davis, Claudette Colbert, Charles Boyer, Doug, Fairbanks, Ir., Shirley Temple and Frank Morgan, are among the stars who have appeared this year. Succeeding programs will bring every well-known name in pictures before the microphone.

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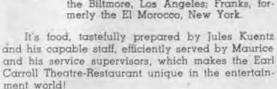
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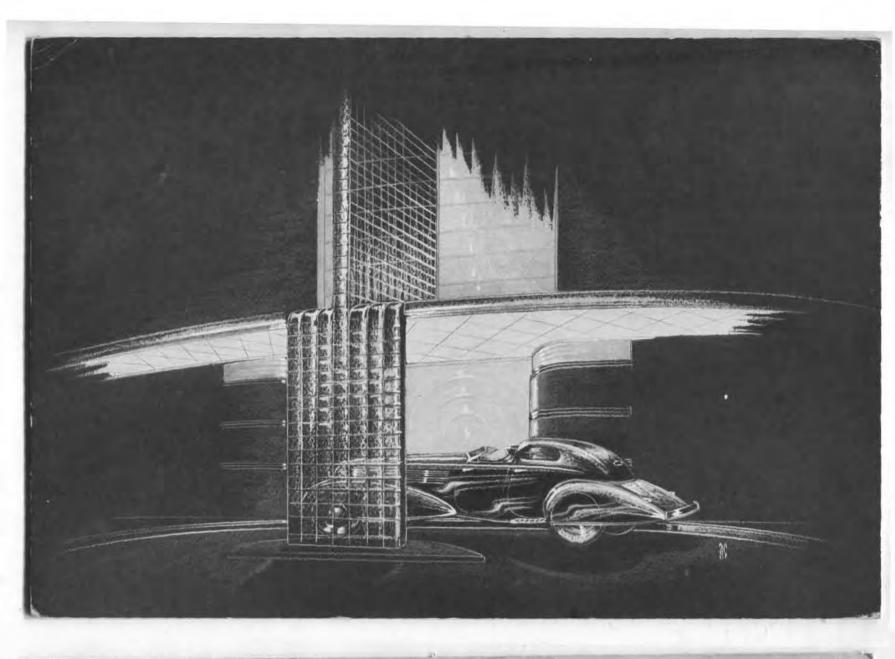
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## GEROME RAGNI

(Co-author)

I Believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Born of the Father before all ages, God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God. Begotten not made, of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made, Who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven. And He became flesh by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made Man.

## JAMES RADO

(Co-author)

He was also crucified for us, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. And on the third day He rose again, according to the scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and of His kingdom there will be no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who together with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified and who spoke through the prophets. And one holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I wait the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# GALT MacDERMOT

(Composer)

Born in Montreal, and educated at Capetown (South Africa) University, Mr. MacDermot has been a church organist, dance band musician, and composer of "African Waltz" - a smash hit in London, and winner of a Grammy Award

# HAIR AROUND THE WORLD

Hair is living and growing not only in Los Angeles but in 19 other cities as well.

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#### BERTRAND CASTELLI

A&R producer Andy Wiswell.)

(Executive Producer)

Mr. Castelli's theatrical experience began in Europe, where he created Les Ballets Africains, and produced and directed for the Champs Elysées Theatre and the Marquis de Cuevas Ballet Company. Mr. Castelli also was responsible for the first post-war production of the famed abstract Alban Berg opera, Wozzeck. As a playwright, he is the author of The Umbrella, a three-act play seen in both New York and London, plus numerous other works for both stage and screen, one of which became a vehicle for the late Marilyn Monroe.

# TOM O'HORGAN

(Director)

Mr. O'Horgan is the winner of the 1967 Obie Award for Best Off-Broadway Director of the Year, as well as the 1968

Brandeis Award for Creative Arts. He has directed Tom Paine at Stage 73, and has most frequently been acclaimed for his direction of outstanding productions at Cafe La Mama. Called by Cue Magazine the "high priest of off-off-Broadway," he has just finished directing his first motion picture, Futz.

#### JULIE ARENAL

(Dance Director)

Julie Arenal has choreographed several productions for the Theatre Company of Boston including Marat/Sade for the Loeb Theatre at Harvard, and for Atlanta's Municipal Theatre. She directed and choreographed the Stockholm production of Hair for which she received a \$1,000 prize from the Swedish Government; she also restaged the London and Los Angeles editions of Hair. While in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, she worked at Atelje 212 and also set up Hair. She worked Ionesco's Hunger and Thirst and Arthur Kopit's Indians, which recently played on Broadway to great critical acclaim. Julie has danced primarily with Anna Sokolow, Sophie Mas-



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low, John Butler, Jack Cole and Jose Limon. She teaches at the Herbert Berghof Studio and is married to actor Barry Primus.

#### DANNY HURD

(Musical Director)

Danny Hurd has worked as choral director, assistant conductor, orchestrator and rehearsal pianist with the Broadway shows, No Where to Go But Up, How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, Little Me, Henry, Sweet Henry, and Golden Boy. He has also been musical director for industrial shows and has written dance arrangements for many TV shows. Danny has just returned from a shortened "vacation" in Acapulco, where he was musical conductor for Alfredo Calles' production of Hair.

Danny Hurd likes four-letter words like Life, Love, and "Hair."



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## ROBIN WAGNER

(Scenic Designer)

Mr. Wagner's designs include the Lincoln Center productions of Galileo and The Condemned of Altona, plus The Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald, In White America, A View From the Bridge, and many others.

#### JULES FISHER

(Lighting)

Black Comedy, You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water's Running, homes, theatres, The Man in the Glass Booth, Half a Sixpence, You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, The Subject Was Roses, Spoon River, The Trojan Women, Sergeant Musgrave's Dance, gardens, Scuba Duba, Moon for the Misbegotten, High Spirits, shoes, ships and sealing wax. Mr. Fisher is a teacher at New York University, a theatre consultant, a magician and a Scorpio.

# **GUY COSTA**

(Sound)

Mr. Costa has been chief engineer for Roulette Records Recording Studio. He is an owner of DCP Recording Studios and GAC Electronics, Inc.



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Barry Finch, one. of "The Fool," begins work on the world's largest painting which covers the walls of Aquarius Theater. "The Fool' are young European artists and musicians commissioned by the producers of Hair to create the fantastic painting. Their first album, "The Fool," was released by Mercury.



As they say, "Before and After"! And this is just a small portion of the magnificent design created by the Aquarian Age genius of "The Fool" whose members were mingling in the crowd when this was taken.

# MICHAEL BUTLER, AND "HATR"

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This futuristic Robin Hood and his merry band have turned Broadway into Sherwood Forest, robbing the Merricks to give to the people, and giving that tired old invalid, the theatre, a magical miracle drug . . . reality, excitement, meaning and the SRO musical phenomenon: Hair.

A rather well known theatrical producer was overheard to say, "'Hair' is the sort of thing I must save the American Theatre from." For Michael Butler, who also has a bit of the Lochinvar in him, has ridden out of the West, his lance full tilt at all the formulae, all the meretriciousness, the cancerous commercialism, the expense account mentality of today's theatre. With one clean blow (Hair!) Butler has decapitated the old dragon. In the words of the Village Voice, he has "Blown up Broadway" and all the rules are changed.

What manner of apprenticeship for his new status as the producer of the hottest ticket in New York . . . ? Butler's past is a chess board and he has played every piece on the board. A developer at Sugarbush ski resort, negotiator with Eastern kings, land developer in the Caribbean, special advisor on Indian and Middle Eastern Affairs to President Kennedy, championship polo player, paper industry executive, and political candidate, Michael Butler considers all of this a logical and fitting background for his present role. The theatre in his eyes is the only true mirror of our life and times, and it is on the stage . . . the stage as it has been since primitive man first acted out his living and religious experiences . . . that we can truly see life . . . not only as it is . . . but as it can be.

Butler's living is as unconventional as his success. A free agent, he divides his time between Chicago, New York, Palm Beach and Acapulco. Thrice married and divorced, his time in Palm Beach is largely devoted to his four year old son by day . . . and parties and balls by night. His wardrobe ranges from "Peter Fonda leather" through Cardin, and settles comfortably into Saville Row. Eclectic would be the mildest description of his clothes closet. Mr. Butler is a beautifully turned out man . . . and if there is a simple way of describing him, it would be to say that he is appropriately habited. Butler lives a somewhat baronial life in Chicago, Son of industrialist-sportsman Paul Butler, Michael inhabits some thousands of pheasant and deer-filled acres at Oak Brook, Illinois, a residential complex of a few hundred families, master-minded by the Butler interests.

While in New York, Butler maintains residence in a penthouse which sits on a pinnacle of other penthouses below. An inner tower, an apotheostic refuge from the noisy city, it is as inaccessible as Olympus and it provides him with transfusions, tranquility and absolute privacy. Butler's New York office is another study in contrast . . . on the absolute fringe of the theatre district its floors are covered with dirty cotton carpeting. The dust of a thousand dead dreams has settled on discarded props. It is a stage for an 8th-rate impresario who has, after a generation of trying, at last failed to make the rent. It is Pinter revisited. And its discovery by Butler, in its present condition, is a testament to his unerring sense of the appropriate. A Phoenix rising out of its own ashes . . . The American Theatre re-born. And that re-born theater is now flourishing in Los Angeles, under the sign of Aquarius.

# Some of the people of HARR



Red Shepard (Berger) and Jerry Combs (Hud), telling it like it is.



Funky, frizzed and frenzied, Barbara Robison (Sheila) leads the tribe in a plea for peace and freedom.



"I Got Life."



Tarred and feathered, Ted Neeley ("Claude") unfolds his fantasy that he's from "Manchester, England."



One of Hair's most beautiful and dramatic scenes - "3-5-0-0."



"What a Piece of Work Is Man," with words from Shakespeare, one of Hair's most beautiful musical moments. Joel Christie and Tyrone Scott duet.



Linda Faust, one of our tribal talents.



"Twisted, beaded, braided, flower powered and confettied, mangled, tangled, spangled and spaghettied!" wail "Claude" and "Berger" (Willie Weatherly and Red Shepard) in the exuberant title song.

# "Hair"- An International Phenomenon

HAIR goes beyond being a play, which it is not, or theatre, which it most definitely is, into the area of being an event — an international phenomenon with companies in major cities all over the world. The Los Angeles production, here at the Aquarius Theater, is now in its second record-breaking year. HAIR has 22 productions around the world.

Within the next twelve months it will be playing in nine additional major American cities.

HAIR has sold more original sound track record albums of one release than any other album in show business history. More than a hundred groups have recorded songs from the show which are broadcast regularly round the world.

How does one explain a phenomenon? What is the secret of HAIR's success?

Perhaps it lies in the fact that HAIR is not so much an answer, or even a statement, as it is an emotional expression of a human condition. HAIR is to the theatre what the Beatles were to music — a revolution. The new direction being taken by the theatre strongly reflects what might be called a sensory reorganization among the younger generation. The media explosion has, in effect, rearranged the kids' minds and

put them way ahead of their parents in their openness to the best of the new art. The way most adult Americans respond to theatre stems in part from the way people used to be taught to interpret literature - especially poetry in high school. The assumption was that any work of art could be reduced to a declarative sentence. Teachers used to tingle with pleasure when a student showed he could change a lush image of daffodils into something like "It says the poet's girl friend has vellow hair." The result was a strong preference for writers who just told you she had yellow hair, and cut out all the nonsense in between. People grew up with their artistic receptors atrophied beyond repair.

Ballet and symphonic forms suffered too. Whole generations of children were driven away from such music by being told that every measure "meant" something, as if the composer were keeping a secret. Thanks largely to innovators in popular music, all that is over now. Children, and more slowly, adults, are discovering that music is for listening. It really is no accident that the American Tribal Love-Rock Musical, HAIR, has achieved such explosive world-wide fame.

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After one of the very early previews of HAIR in New York there was a press conference and a few of the participants complained that they couldn't follow the show's story line. A castmember responded quickly, "Man, we're not asking you to follow anything. Just to dig what's going on. That's what it's all about — opening up your mind."

HAIR is meant to be dug. And "digging" requires, for most of us, a radical alteration of our habits of perception. To groove means to yield yourself to the flow of activity around you. To be "with it" as a phonograph needle is "with" the record groove. Groovin' requires a lot of personal freedom, and a lot of selfassurance. It is the antithesis of up-tight perception, in which one accepts only what he can comfortably categorize. Groovin' consists of opening your senses to what is happening, without anticipation or imposition of logical structures. Chevrolet was on the same track when it tried to convince people that the fun was in the going, not in the getting there.

HAIR is a celebration, not a story. It celebrates the human body, the brother-hood of man, love and peace. HAIR has helped restore relevancy to the entire theatre scene. For too long, theatre failed to affect, to touch, or involve audiences. It's all different now. In music, film and drama, we are entering the age of feeling. Film director Stanley Kubrick says "The truth of a thing is in the feel of it, not the think of it."

Perhaps that's the answer – and the meaning of HAIR's success. Works like HAIR manage somehow to draw us all into a brave new world of sensory enrichment. If you dig HAIR, you'll dig life – and vice versa.

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- by Maria Crummere Company Astrologer



# TRENDS FOR THE TWELVE SIGNS FOR 1970

ARIES: Mars, your ruler, enters your own sign on January 25 to stay until March 6th - giving you a great start. Accept all new partnerships then. They bring you new opportunities - to make 1970 a very successful year.

TAURUS: Your beautiful ruler. Venus, has clever Mercury by its side at the start of the year to offer two new responsibilities, one to do with beauty, the other to complete an idea you have already envisioned — if you would make 1970 a satisfactory year.

GEMINI: Secretly plan in January and half of February - then, present your talents after the 17th of February - pressing forward until April - to insure success for 1970 and to get the best from the year.

CANCER: You are luckier than most, for your luck comes the first four months of the year. Then a waiting time. In September to December, the results end your year on a very high level.

LEO: The first four months burden you with decision-making. Avoid only those you cannot put off. May 1st to August 15th pressure every effort — to make 1970 a winner.

VIRGO: You will have as many as three programs demanding your attention all year. You love to work and will not mind. The fall, from September on, really pays off with splendid results.

LIBRA: Your new partners, though clever, may slow down until May - when another joins your program to round out its success - then by September the outline is clearly successful.

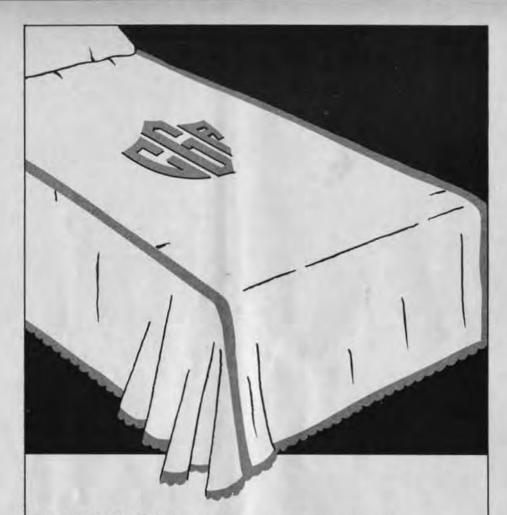
SCORPIO: You start the year very fast and hopefully the first four months. A waiting period after the 1st of May. September renews all promises — when everything you touch succeeds handsomely.

SAGITTARIUS: Neptune entering your sign on January 3rd starts a dream. Be patient, plan secretly. In May it may fade. Do not resume it until November. It is so powerful — waiting means winning.

CAPRICORN: The new proposals offered are heavy with responsibility. Plan carefully. Do not expect results the first half of the year. Plans need time to mature to materialize successfully late in the fall.

AQUARIUS: At the start of the year your judgement is challenged. June through August is your best period to complete everything. By September, the powers that be will overrule your program.

PISCES: At the start of the year a new mood is set up around you that confuses you. You will be back in stride from May until November — the last and final period of your long success.



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	RED SHEPARD	Gar	GAR MacRAE
Hud	JERRY COMBS	David	DAVID HUNT
Sheila	BARBARA ROBISON	Randy	RANDY KEYS
Jeanie	KAY COLE	Joel	JOEL CHRISTIE
Woof	JOBRIATH	Linda	LINDA FAUST
Crissy	JESSICA KLUGER		
Mother	JEANIE	Tadg	TADG GALLERAN
Wiother	HUD	Cecelia	CECELIA NORFLEET
	MARZ HOTEL	Delores	DELORES HALL
Father	CRISSY	Ben	BENNETT RAFFER
	DAVID HUNT GAR MacRAE	Richard	RICHARD BASKIN
Principal	HUD	Marz	MARZ HOTEL
Principal	TADG GALLERAN	Joe	JOE MORTON
	DELORES HALL	Melody	MELODY SANTANGELO
Tourists	GEORGE SPELVIN	Stan	STAN SHAW
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### Act I

Aquarius Joel & Tribe
My Donna Berger & Tribe
Hashish Tribe
Sodomy Woof & Tribe
Colored Spade Hud & Tribe
Manchester England Claude & Tribe
Manchester England
Dead End Joe, Elaine, Delores, Cecelia
Air Jeanie
Initials Tribe
I Got Life Claude & Tribe
Going Down Berger & Tribe
Hair Claude, Berger & Tribe
My Conviction Tourist Lady
Easy To Be Hard Sheila
Don't Put It Down Berger, Woof, Joel
Frank Mills Crissy
Hare Krishna
Where Do I Go? Claude & Tribe
Act II
Electric Blues Joel, Randy, David, Gar
Black Boys Linda, Melody, Mary
White Boys Elaine, Delores, Cecelia
Walking in Space Elaine & Tribe
Walking in Space Elaine & Tribe Abie Baby Lincoln, Hud, David, Joe
3-5-0-0 Tribe
What a Piece of Work Is Man Joe, Joel
Good Morning Starshine Sheila & Tribe
The Bed Tribe
Flesh Failures (Let the Sunshine In) Claude & Tribe

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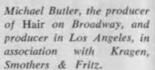
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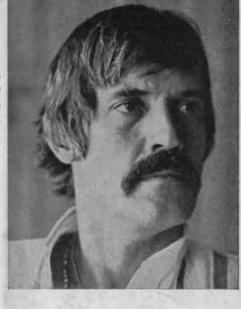


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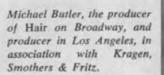
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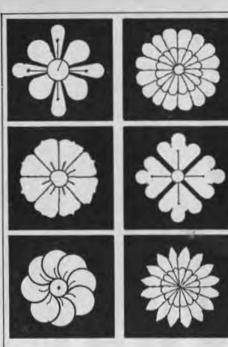


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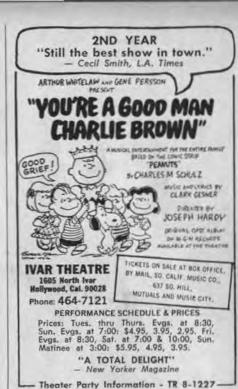
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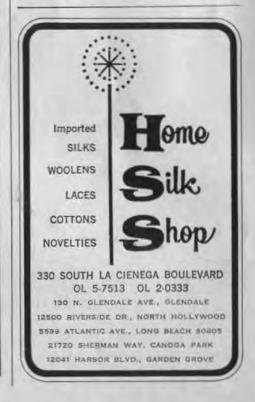
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(Co-author)

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## JAMES RADO

(Co-author)

He was also crucified for us, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. And on the third day He rose again, according to the scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and of His kingdom there will be no end, And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who together with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, and who spoke through the prophets. And one holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I wait the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.





# HAIR AROUND THE WORLD

Hair is living and growing not only in Los Angeles but in 10 other cities as well.

Here's a fill-in on the rest of the Hairnet – it may already be out of date by the time you read this!

NEW YORK CITY - Biltmore Theatre

LONDON

SAN FRANCISCO - Geary Theatre

PARIS

CHICAGO - set to open October 22

DUSSELDORF

at the Schubert Theatre

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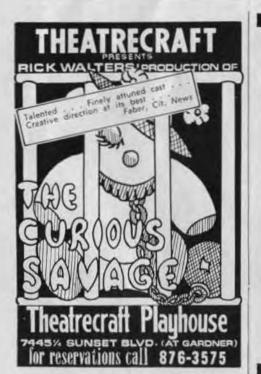
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at the Aquarian West Theatre

SYDNEY

And productions are now being made ready for Toronto, Boston, Tokyo - and a national road company is in the works too!







JOBRIATH SALISBURY (Woof)

Job lives in Studio City and his enthusiasms, after acting, are for the piano, the guitar, painting and skiing. Without extensive previous theatrical experience, he brings candor and enthusiasm to the role of Woof. His musical group, Pigeon, has recorded an album of his compositions, "First Flight from the Forest." (Decca.)

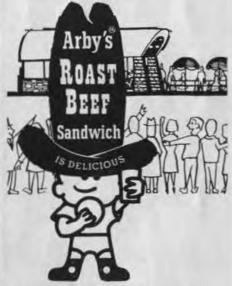
# GALT MacDERMOT

(Composer)

Born in Montreal, and educated at Capetown (South Africa) University, Mr. MacDermot has been a church organist, dance band musician, and composer of "African Waltz" — a smash hit in London, and winner of a Grammy Award in the U.S.A. Hair is his first musical, and he, James Rado and Gerome Ragni have won a Grammy for RCA's "Hair" on-Broadway cast album too. (As has A&R producer Andy Wiswell.)

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# BERTRAND CASTELLI

(Executive Producer)

Mr. Castelli's theatrical experience began in Europe, where he created Les Ballers Africains, and produced and directed for the Champs Elysées Theatre and the Marquis de Cuevas Ballet Company. Mr. Castelli also was responsible for the first post-war production of the famed abstract Alben Berg opera, Wozzeck. As a playwright, he is the author of The Umbrella, a three-act play seen in both New York and London, plus numerous other works for both stage and screen, one of which became a vehicle for the late Marilyn Monroe.

# TOM O'HORGAN

(Director)

Mr. O'Horgan is the winner of the 1967 Obie Award for Best Off-Broadway Director of the Year, as well as the 1968 Brandeis Award for Creative Arts. He has directed *Tom Paine* at Stage 73, and has most frequently been acclaimed for his direction of outstanding productions at Cafe La Mama. Called by CUE Magazine the "high priest of off-off-Broadway," he has just finished directing his first motion picture, Futz.

# JULIE ARENAL

(Dance Director)

Julie Arenal was assistant to Anna Sokolow in the training program of the Lincoln Center Repertory Theatre. She has choreographed several productions for Loeb Theatre of Harvard; The Theatre Company of Boston, including Marat/Sade; and Atlanta's Municipal Theatre. She has danced primarily with Anna Sokolow, Sophie Maslow, John Butler, Jack Cole and Jose Limon. She teaches at the Herbert Berghof Studio and is married to actor Barry Primus. Miss Arenal recently co-directed and choreographed a different version of Hair in Stockholm and also recreated the London version of the play.

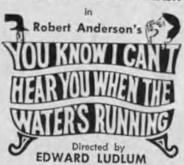


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#### DANNY HURD

(Musical Director)

Danny Hurd has worked as choral director, assistant conductor, orchestrator and rehearsal pianist with the Broadway shows, No Where to Go But Up, How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, Little Me, Henry, Sweet Henry, and Golden Boy. He has also been musical director for industrial shows and has written dance arrangements for many TV shows. Danny has just returned from a shortened "vacation" in Acapulco, where he was musical conductor for Alfredo Calles' production of Hair,

Danny Hurd likes four-letter words, like Life, Love, and "Hair."

### NANCY POTTS

(Costume Designer)

Nancy Potts, at 27, has to her credit over 35 Broadway and off-Broadway productions and has twice received the Tony Award Nomination. Her costumes for last season's Pantagleize earned both the Maharam Distinguished Design Award and the Saturday Review of Literature Best Costume Award, Miss Potts' designs for Hair recently received the Theatre Yearbook Award for best musical costuming of the 1967/68 season. She is the principal designer for New York's APA Repertory Theatre and has been most recently represented on Broadway with that company's production of The Misanthrope.

# ROBIN WAGNER

(Scenic Designer)

Mr. Wagner's designs include the Lincoln Center productions of Galileo and The Condemned of Altona, plus The Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald, In White America, A View From the Bridge, and many others.

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Barry Finch, one of "The Fool," begins work on the world's largest painting which covers the walls of Aquarius Theater. "The Fool" are young European artists and musicians commissioned by the producers of Hair to create the fantastic painting. Their first album, "The Fool," was released by Mercury.



Some more of the young people of Hair - in this case, the ushers and usherettes, good-naturedly mimicking the cast picture in the front of the Souvenir Book.

# MICHAEL BUTLER, AND "HAIR"

Consider the possibility of a twentyfirst century Renaissance man. Construct him out of one part Prince Valiant, one part Daddy Warbucks, and a measure of Clark Kent. Fill to the top with Bruce Wayne, add a sprinkling of Mark Rudd and Cohn-Bendit, garnish with Lake Michigan Goldwasser and serve it at the Diggers free kitchen . . . and you have Michael Butler.

This futuristic Robin Hood and his merry band have turned Broadway into Sherwood Forest, robbing the Merricks to give to the people, and giving that tired old invalid, the theatre, a magical miracle drug . . . reality, excitement, meaning and the SRO musical phenomenon: Hair.

A rather well known theatrical producer was overheard to say, "'Hair' is the sort of thing I must save the American Theatre from." For Michael Butler, who also has a bit of the Lochinvar in him, has ridden out of the West, his lance full tilt at all the formulae, all the meretriciousness, the cancerous commercialism, the expense account mentality of today's theatre. With one clean blow (Hair!) Butler has decapitated the old dragon. In the words of the Village Voice, he has "Blown up Broadway" and all the rules are changed.

What manner of apprenticeship for his new status as the producer of the hottest ticket in New York . . .? Butler's past is a chess board and he has played every piece on the board. A developer at Sugarbush ski resort, negotiator with Eastern kings, land developer in the Caribbean, special advisor on Indian and Middle Eastern Affairs to President Kennedy. championship polo player, paper industry executive, and political candidate. Michael Butler considers all of this a logical and fitting background for his present role. The theatre in his eyes is the only true mirror of our life and times. and it is on the stage . . . the stage as it has been since primitive man first

acted out his living and religious experiences . . . that we can truly see life . . . not only as it is . . . but as it can be.

Butler's living is as unconventional as his success. A free agent, he divides his time between Chicago, New York, Palm Beach and Acapulco. Thrice married and divorced, his time in Palm Beach is largely devoted to his four year old son by day . . . and parties and balls by night. His wardrobe ranges from "Peter Fonda leather" through Cardin, and settles comfortably into Saville Row. Eclectic would be the mildest description of his clothes closet. Mr. Butler is a beautifully turned out man . . . and if there is a simple way of describing him, it would be to say that he is appropriately habited. A millionaire's millionaire, Butler lives a somewhat baronial life in Chicago. Son of industrialist-sportsman Paul Butler, Michael inhabits some thousands of pheasant and deer-filled acres at Oak Brook, Illinois, a residential complex of a few hundred families, master-minded by the Butler interests.

While in New York, Butler maintains residence in a penthouse which sits on a pinnacle of other penthouses below. An inner tower, an apotheostic refuge from the noisy city, it is as inaccessible as Olympus and it provides him with transfusions, tranquility and absolute privacy. Butler's New York office is another study in contrast . . . on the absolute fringe of the theatre district, its floors are covered with dirty cotton carpeting. The dust of a thousand dead dreams has settled on discarded props. It is a stage for an 8th-rate impresario who has, after a generation of trying, at last failed to make the rent. It is Pinter revisited. And its discovery by Butler, in its present condition, is a testament to his unerring sense of the appropriate. A Phoenix rising out of its own ashes . . . The American Theatre re-born. And that re-born theater is now flourishing in Los Angeles, under the sign of Aquarius.

Some of the people of R.



Ierry Combs, Tyrone Scott and Ben Vereen singing "Thanks to You, Massa Lincoln" in Hair.



Hair in rehearsal.





Rhonda Oglesby, who plays" Scarlett."

Co-author Jim Rado with Alan Braunstein,

# Ben Vereen in a rare quiet moment.





Director Tom O'Horgan, co-author Gerry Ragni ("Berger") and co-producer Ken Kragen.



Jim Rado with dance director Julie Arenal.

# KEN KRAGEN, TOM SMOTHERS and KEN FRITZ

Ken Kragen, Tom Smothers and Ken Fritz, all of whom are just past the benchmark of 30, have been together for a long time. Kragen had been the manager of The Limelighters and Glenn Yarbrough after he graduated from Harvard Business College. Six years ago, he became Tom and Dick Smothers' manager. A few years later, Ken Fritz, a graduate of American University, joined the team. Soon thereafter Kragen/Fritz was formed, a personal management company, which soon acquired in addition to the Smothers Brothers, such unique exciting young talents as Mason Williams, John Hartford, Jennifer, and the First Edition.

Kragen/Fritz even cast its gauntlet into the political arena when it became the manager of that formidable candidate, Patrick Layton Paulsen, "the simple savior of America's destiny."

"HAIR" is not the first venture in which the trio has entered — individually, or collectively. Tom Smothers, Ken Kragen and Ken Fritz have worked on the Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour; Executive Producer Ken Fritz with the cooperation of Tom Smothers is launching Music Scene (ABC-TV, Monday 7:30-8:15 p.m.); while Ken Kragen continues to operate the personal management firm, Ken Kragen and Friends.

Why would these three multi-talented young men enter into the project of bringing "HAIR" to Los Angeles with such enthusiasm?

As Tom Smothers puts it, "We feel that "HAIR" will be to the legitimate theatre what The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour is to prime time TV. "HAIR" reflects the attitudes and speaks in the language of the young people of today."

"The beauty of 'HAIR,' "Ken Kragen interrupts, "is that young people feel it tells it like it is, and yet older people who have not lost the capacity to be moved and have kept a willingness to communicate and understand, find 'HAIR' a rewarding experience in total theatre."

Ken Fritz sums it up this way: "One of the things that has made our experience with Westward Hair so exciting is that the very building we're in epitomizes the Generation Gap. Earl Carroll, one of the great showmen, built it in 1938, just 30 years ago but centuries away in terms of the world he lived in then and the world we live in now. We have renovated the Earl Carroll Theatre with an eye to retaining its historical features. Then we've opened with what we think is the most important new play in the American Theatre in recent years."



# THE "HAIR"

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The Aquarian age that the actors are heralding in the song "AQUARIUS" the Greek word for Ouranous - the world - bears out the cry and plea that the youth of the world are making today to the Cosmic Parents (their own, as well) - to the establishment, the powers that be, the leaders.

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to the urgency and need to respond to the courage of such daring and honesty.

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LEO: You are really in clover, making progressive changes in leaps and bounds. You may not know which of the lovers to choose - take the one who arrives last.

VIRGO: From the 21st of May to the 24th of June, you have one more chance to write or make history. Hurry - for after that, life will be the result of all achieved in the past seven years.

LIBRA: You are the ONE! You can accept the new role, though you will have to travel and circulate; or hold back and just live the life of ease and luxury.

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CAPRICORN: Your patience has come in handy - the rewards are yours after May 1st, then plan for future security for many years to come.

AQUARIUS: The changes that were forced on you for the last few years are over. Make choices and do as you will - and WIN. A whole new cycle starts early summer and lasts for many years.

PISCES: Your exciting and prosperous years reach a peak of importance this fall. Be ready to start a new cycle next year.







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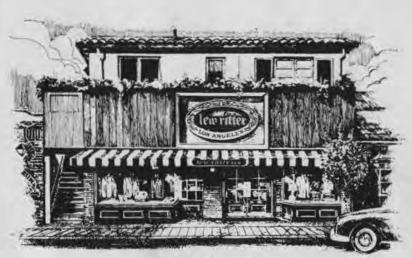
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With Hair, Los Angeles witnesses not only the premiere of a play that has been called "the first new direction in American theatre in a decade" but also the birth of one of our town's finest legitimate theatres.

The Aquarius Theater began its life as a glittering landmark, "The Earl Carroll Theatre." In 1938 Earl Carroll made his decision to open his theatre and supper club at 6230 Sunset Boulevard. In just 75 days he converted an empty acre of ground into the dazzling night club and theatre that was to bear his name and house his world-famous revues for a decade until his death. In those short weeks he created a building so advanced that, thirty-one years later, no one has yet matched its glory or technical virtuosity.

The facade of the original theatre held two of Hollywood's most renowned land-marks: the twenty-foot high "painting in neon" of Beryl Wallace, one of Earl Carroll's "Most beautiful girls in the world"; and Sunset Boulevard's "Wall of Fame," presenting in cement personal inscriptions to Earl Carroll from more than 150 of Hollywood's most glamorous stars. These landmarks still attract hundreds of visitors daily.

The "Wall of Fame" plaques have now been carefully repositioned along the west wall of the theater, to make possible the 12,000 sq. ft. painting, done on the front and side of the building by "The Fool."

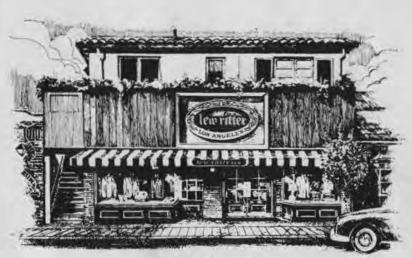
The 60' wide double revolving turntable on the 80' main stage, the three



Bridging the generation gap, the world famous Earl Carroll Theatre is now Aquarius Theater. Instead of revues highlighting "the most beautiful girls in the world," the theatre now reverberates to the excitement of Hair.

swings which lower from the auditorium ceiling, the elevator, revolving staircase and the rain machine are part of a stage machinery complex not duplicated in any theatre in America. Combined with the more recently added motion picture projection equipment and stage lighting system, Aquarius Theater today is superior to any in the country.

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Bridging the generation gap, the world famous Earl Carroll Theatre is now Aquarius Theater. Instead of revues highlighting "the most beautiful girls in the world," the theatre now reverberates to the excitement of Hair.

swings which lower from the auditorium ceiling, the elevator, revolving staircase and the rain machine are part of a stage machinery complex not duplicated in any theatre in America. Combined with the more recently added motion picture projection equipment and stage lighting system, Aquarius Theater today is superior to any in the country.

The design and renovation of the Aquarius Theater, under the direction of talented young scenic designer Michael Baugh, was in the breathtaking tradition of Earl Carroll's 75 day initial building program. In just 60 days, with crews working around the clock, the entire interior of the theatre was redesigned and reconstructed to ready it for the arrival of Hair and to prepare it for its future as Los Angeles' newest, yet most historically fascinating legitimate theatre. (See page 29 for the story of the breathtaking painting done on the Aquarius Theater by "The Fool.")

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Berger WILLIE WEATHERLY, RANDY FREDERICKS

Woof JOBRIATH SALISBURY

Hud BEN VEREEN, JERRY COMBS

Sheila GLORIA JONES

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Crissy KAY COLE

Mother TEDA BRACCI, JERRY COMBS.

JOEY RICHARDS

Father ALAN BRAUNSTEIN, CAROL MILLER,

TYRONE SCOTT

Principal GREG ARLIN, RANDY FREDERICKS,

GENIE BROWN

Tourist Couple GREG ARLIN, GENE KRISCHER

The Supremes ELAINE HILL, DELORES HALL,

GENIE BROWN

Young Recruit GENE KRISCHER

Frankie FRANKIE KARL

Tom TOM URE

Lee LEE MONTGOMERY

Teddy TEDDY NEELEY

Bob BOB CORFF

Carol CAROL MILLER

Tammi TAMMI WINTERS

Dobie DOBIE GRAY

Red RED SHEPHERD

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For Woof — Alan Braunstein; for Hud — Jerry Combs; Tourist Lady — Tom Ure; Young Recruit — Willie Weatherly.



#### MUSICAL NUMBERS

#### Act I

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My Donna Berger & Trib
Hashish Trib
Sodomy Woof & Trib
Colored Spade
Manchester England Claude & Trib
Ain't Got No Woof, Hud, Delores & Trib
Dead End Tyrone, Elaine, Gloria, Delore
Air Jeani
Initials
I Got Life Claude & Trib
Going Down Berger & Trib
Hair Claude, Berger & Trib
My Conviction Tourist Lad
Easy to be Hard Sheil
Don't Put It Down Berger, Woof, Willi
Frank Mills
Hare Krishna Trib
Where Do I Go? Claude & Trib
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Act II
Electric Blues Carol, Willie, Joey, Alan, Gre
Black Boys Rhonda, Corinne, Card
White Boys Elaine, Delores, Geni
Walking in Space Trib

#### MUSICIANS

#### Orchestra Conducted by Cubby O'Brien

Abie Baby . . . . . . . . . . . . Gloria, Randy, Jerry, Hud

Guitars — Ron Benson, Al Vescovo Fender Bass — Reinie Press Electric Piano — Byron Olson Trumpets - Ed Sheftel, Melvin Moore Baritone Sax, Flute and Clarinet - Lee Callet Bongos, Conga, Percussion - Joe Baerga, Jr.

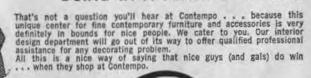


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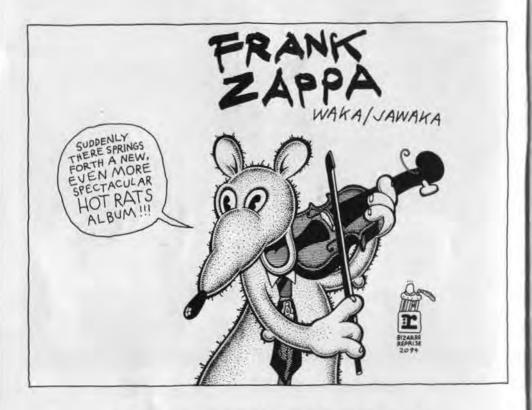
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Lenny's Mother Sadie Kitchenberg alias Sall	y Marr . ERICA YOHN
Clubowner/Lenny's Father/Ike/	
Blah,blah Judge/D.A./Photographer	ROBERT WEIL
Chinese Waiter/Bishop/Cop/Witch Doctor	JAMES WIGFALL
Rusty	MARY MENDUM
Stripper/Singer/Mrs. Hart/Secretary/	
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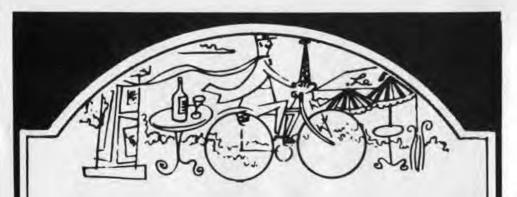
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## Who's Who in the Cast

SANDY BARON (Lenny) is an actor, comedian, writer and lyricist who first met Lenny Bruce in 1962. Lenny was appearing at the Village Vanguard in New York City. Sandy was co-starring and improvising nightly with Buck Henry, George Segal and Godfrey Cambridge in the "Obie" award-winning The Premise. They were introduced, and, like very comedian of this generation, Sandy was awed, inspired, influenced and encouraged by Lenny. Sandy then joined Second City, playing Chicago, New York, and London, further sharpening this comedic skills alongside Alan Arkin, Alan Alda and Paul Sand, It was on-stage at a New York performance of Second City in 1964 that Leland Hayward and David Frost first saw Sandy and invited him to write and perform for That Was The Week That Was, his first telelvision exposure. He has since become one of television's most popular personalities, as co-star of the NBC series Hey Landlord and The Dean Martin Summer Show and RKO General's The Della Reese Show, as a member of that select circle always welcome on the Johnny Carson, Mike Douglas, Mery Griffin, David Frost and Dick Cavett Shows, and as a frequent game show guest. Sandy develops his fresh, insightful and relevant monologues on the college and concert circuit (playing 50 to 100 campuses a year), as well as in such night clubs as "The Upstairs at the Downstairs" in New York, "Mister Kelly's" in Chicago, "The Latin Casino" in Cherry Hill, N.J., "Harrah's" in Reno, "The Flamingo" in Las Vegas, "King's Castle" in Lake Tahoe and "The Now Grove" in Los Angeles. The theatre, however, has always been Sandy's first love. He was seen to critical acclaim by New York theatre-goers in Tehin-Tehin (with Anthony Quinn and Margaret Leighton) and in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest (with Kirk Douglas and Ed Ames) in 1963, in Bertolt Brecht's Arturo Ui (with Christopher Plummer) and in the revival of George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart's Once in a Lifetime in 1964, in Arthur Kopit's The Day the Whores Came Out to Play Tennis in 1965, in Generation (with Henry Fonda) in 1966 and in John Guare's Muzeeka in 1968. Sandy's film include Peter Bogdanovich's Targets, Sweet November, If It's Tuesday, This Must Be Belgium, and The Out-of-Towners. Comedy album connoisseurs will remember Sandy's satirical assessments of some of America's social sore-spots-black-white relationships on Roulette's The Race Race and teacher-student misunderstandings on Capitol's I Never Let School Interfere With My Education- and are enjoying his current A & M stero production "God Save the Queens", a gay-straight analysis. As a lyricist, Sandy wrote Natural Man with composer Bobby Hebb which won a Grammy

award for singer Lou Rawls. Next season should see a Baron-Hebb score on Broadway in the musical comedy Eskimo, for which Sandy is also co-authoring the book. Sandy lives in Sherman Oaks, California, with his wife the poetess Mary Jo Webster-Baron, and is proud to be a part of the continuing legend that is Lenny Bruce.

JOE SILVER (The Judges, Sherman Hart, et al) who recently won a Tony nomination for his role in Lenny, last co-starred on Broadway in You Know I Can't Hear You When The Water's Running. A native of Green Bay, Wisconsin, Mr. Silver was a student at the U. of Wisconsin, before making his Broadway debut in Tobacco Road. After several Broadway and stock engagements, he spent three years as a Japanese code expert in the Army, returning to N.Y. to featured and co-starring roles in such productions as The Heroine, Gypsy with Ethel Merman, and The Zulu and the Zayda with Menasha Skulnick. Since 1948, he has chalked up over 800 TV performances on all major networks, and is one of the best known voices in radio and TV commercials. Mr. Silver is currently featured in a new comedy album, The Second Coming. His wife, Chevi Colton, stars in Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well . . . They have two children.

ERICA YOHN (Lenny's Mother Sadie Kitchenberg alias Sally Marr) was a member of the San Francisco Actors Workshop when she first met Lenny Bruce, When she returned to New York, she became a member of the Lincoln Center Repertory Company, and later appeared on Broadway in Cabaret, was stand-by for Irene Pappas in That Summer, That Fall. While touring in Cabaret, she saw Lenny's "middle America," at close range. She has appeared off Broadway and was last seen in The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds, and on television she did the title role in Brecht's The Jewish Wife. Miss Yohn is married to actor Tom Rosqui.

ROBERT WEIL (Clubowner, Lenny's Father, Ike, et al) is a descendent of the Rothschilds on his mother's side, and his father was a N.Y.C. Magistrate. After almost becoming a paleontologist, Robert took pre-law at NYU, studied dance with Charles Weidman, threatre with J. Edward Bromberg, radio with Norman Corwin and play-writing with Barrie Stavis. His Broadway debut was in New Faces of 1942, his first film was Guilty Bystander. Currently he can be seen in the films The French Connection, The Gang that Couldn't Shoot Straight, and Hot Rock. He has played widely in stock and repertory, and his favorite roles are Bottom in Midsummer Night's Dream and the Pope in Becket. His latest play is Arturo Ui. Mr.

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dubbed foreign films and played in night clubs. Among other credits are the Lincoln Center Repertory Company, Once Upon A Mattress and Blood, Sweat and Stanley Poole, plus the Stratford (Canada) Shakespeare Company. He-collects—has 250 reels—silent movies, show records and baroque music. He has authored over eighty educational records for children and forty documentary medical films.

JAMES WIGFALL (Chinese Waiter, Bishop, Cop, Witch doctor) did his first show under Tom O'Horgan's direction in a bar in the Village, subsequently worked for him at the Indson Churck and many off-off-Broadway houses. Film maker Bob Downey cast him in The Sweet Smell of Sex, which let to All Men Are Apes. James made his San Francisco debut in Hair, starred as Queenie in Sal Mineo's San Francisco production of Fortune and Men's Eyes and toured in The Blacks, Scuba Duba and The Dutchman. Recently he appeared in an all-male production of Genet's The Maids, produced at the Cafe La Mama, in which he afternately played all three roles.

MARY MENDUM (Rusty) appeared in the New York production of Lenny for over a year. Prior to that she performed in the roles of Sheila and Jeannie in six companies of Hair including New York and Los Angeles. She has worked extensively in musical-comedy theatre in such roles as Linda Lo in Flower Drum Song and Marian in The Music Man. She is also a professional model and has worked in films. Mary is featured in the forthcoming movie, Groove Tube. She has studied drama with

Gretchen Payne and Jack Waltzer,

ANNE DUNNIGAN (Stripper/Singer/Mrs. Hart/Secretary/Girl without I.D. Card) comes from Phoenix, Arizona, She attended Arizona State University and the University of Southern California before beginning her career as an actress. She has worked in television commercials (Wonder Bread, Alberto Culver) and appeared in After The Fall in Los Angeles. JEANNETTE ERTELT (Stripper, Aunt Mema, Lucille, et al) was born and raised on an actual homestead in Valley City, N.D.; she grew up as many young people of today would like to, living close to the land. She received a fine arts degree in directing at the Goodman Memorial Theatre in Chicago, and was a member of the acting company for three years there. Playing stock led to New York, where her first Off-Broadway play, Futz, her first movie, and now her first Broadway play, all were directed by Tom O'Horgan. Last year she played with Mr. O'Horgan's New Troupe in Paris, Rome, Berlin, Vienna, and Zurich. On TV she has been seen on Love is a Many Splendored Thing, and an NET Playhouse Special Heinskringla or the Stoned Angels. Although she has appeared in over 100 plays, her first job, while studying in Seattle, was a riveter. She is also a puzzle-maker, constructing puzzles for Dell Publishing Co.

CHARLES ISEN (Arty/Igor/Hitler/Radio Announcer/Photographer) upon dropping Law School, made his way to New York City and the "Big Time" - two years of off-off-Broadway plays. After a stint in the National Company of Fiddler on the Roof, he continued his studies in New York with Uta Hagen, Stella Adler, and Warren Robertson, Making his way west to Hollywood, his skyrocketing television career was cut short by this job.

GABOR MOREA (Juan/Primitive Drummer/Cop) appears in Lenny after having worked on the original production over a year and a half ago in New York City. In the mean time he has appeared with Dan Dailey and Peggy Cass in Plaza Sulte, Where has Tommy Flowers gone, directed by Jacques Levy and The Opening starring Alan Arkin and Renee Taylor. In N.Y.C. he has also been seen in Steambath directed by Tony Perkins and the tevival of the musical The Golden Apple. Numerous industrials, commercials and revues have also featured Gabor's versitality.

FRANK SPEISER (Ernie/Interviewer) is a graduate of Bridgeport University who received an M.F.A. from Yale Drama School, and appeared for several seasons at the Yale Repertory Company, He has performed extensively at New Haven's Long Wharf Repertory Company in such productions as Hamlet with Stacey Keach, A Streetca Named Desire, The Fantasticks, and The Iceman Cometh. A long-time Lenny Bruce fan, Frank was booked in colleges and universities around the country (including Yale, Ohio State, and U.C.L.A.) doing a widely-acclaimed one-man show based on Bruce's material. It is direct from this tour that Frank comes to the

Broadway production. TOM O'HORGAN (Director/Composer). Composer, musician, singer, actor, director-is there really any difference? Or should there be? At the famed Cafe La Mama, Tom was able to blend all aspects of the theatre without letting any part become secondary to the others. In directing Tom Paine and Futz, Tom was also able to approach the direction he would like to see the theatre headed towards-the Greek and Reinaissance concept of actor/musician/dancer. Broadway experienced some of this when Tom directed Hair, Inner City, and Jessus Christ Superstar. The highly controversial film version of Futz, which Tom directed and composed the score for, brought some of these ideas to the screen. He recently put his composer's hat on to do the score for M.G.M.'s Alex in Wonderland, With Lenny, Tom has integrated the actors and musicians in a Broadway show, and, as with Hair, he has once again tried to achieve one of his primary goals-to bring youth into the theatre, not just as actors, but even more importantly, as audience.

JULIAN BARRY (Author) is a New Yorker whose first ambition was to be a jazz musician. He attended Syracuse University for one year before he was thrown out, and two years at Emerson College in Boston, where his extracurricular activities included getting high and swinging. He got into pictures by writing TV shows: The Wackiest Ship in the Army,



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Mission: Imposible, etc., and wrote The \$100 Misunderstanding for Paramount which is not yet before the cameras, and probably never will be. In fact, not one of his following films has been produced for various wierd reasons: Woodrow Wilson Dime, Last Exit to Brooklyn and Take That! Before he entered the writing end of the business he was an actor-stage manager in King Lear with Orson Welles and in Shinbone Alley with Eartha Kitt, and his last assignment was in The Owl and the Pussycat on Broadway. He was also, assistant stage manager and actor in The Disenchanted, Andersonville Trial, Write Me A Murder, Chinese Prime Minister, Compulsion, and Cook for Mr. General. The Barrys live in a 200 year old colonial farmhouse in Wilton, Conn. He was one of the original Eugene O'Neill Foundation Playwrights at the first Summer workshop, and was also one of the original contributors to Oh! Calcutta! His one act plays, The Inflatable Doll and Other Plays of Total Despair, are soon to be published and he is writing the book and lyrics for a musical Escadrille to be directed by Jack Cole for next season. He is also deep in a novel, Compared to What?

JULES FISHER (Producer and Lighting Designer). A national theatre design consultant, Mr. Fisher is equally at home in New York, Paris and London. His working week often finds him in all three cities. Lenny marks Mr. Fisher's debut as a Broadway producer. For the past eighteen years, even before his graduation from Carnegie Tech's drama department, Jules

has created the lighting for dozens of the theatre's most impressive successes. He is currently represented on Broadway by Hair, No. No. Nanette, Jesus Christ Superstar, and Butterflies Are Free. Mr. Fisher's other theatrical roles are as a member of the Board of

Directors of The American Conservatory Threatre, Lighting Designer for Elliot Feld's American Ballet Company and teaches Lighting

at N.Y.U. His lighting consultant firm designs lighting for residential and commercial application throughout the country. In his

spare time, he practices magic.

MARVIN WORTH (Producer) attended New Utrecht High School in his native Brooklyn before moving in on Manhattan to hang in with musicians and promote jam sessions, etc. World War II interrupted and he was off to win medals, wounds, traumas and disability, returning to manage and write with and for comics, ex-classmates and friends that included Buddy Hackett, Arne Sultan and Lenny Bruce. Marvin was Lenny's first manager. After he was successful as an "Arthur Godfrey Winner." Lenny went on to play the Strand and other Class A dates with a "family oriented act" of satire and mimicry. When Lenny moved to California, Marvin, with Arne Sultan, turned out monologues for Buddy Hackett, Alan King, Joey Bishop, Corbett Monica, etc., and then went into television. During the next ten years, except for some Broadway sketches and several original stories for films (Boys Night Out, Three On A Couch, etc.) they wrote for such shows as Martha Raye, Ral Bolger, Colgate Comedy, Jackie Gleason, Chevy, Polly Berger, Judy Garland, Get Smart, and for a long time for Steve Allen, also writing and producing their own pilot TV shows. Marvin did some Berle shows and some pictures, and then came full circle, back to Lenny Bruce. He took an option on Lenny's work, and while developing screenplays for this and The Autobigraphy of Malcolm X, he produced Where's Poppa, and ABC's The Sheriff. He persuaded Julian Barry and Tom O'Horgan to write and direct, and they convinced him, this Spring, to go first to

Broadway then do the movie.

MICHAEL BUTLER (Producer) As well as producing Lenny, he has seen his now-classic musical, Hair, in 25 countries in 14 languages. A Medici of the Counter Culture, Mr. Butler is thought of by those around him as a bridge between new talent and those able to give that talent exposure. In addition to his continuing activity in theatre, Mr. Butler is an international promoter of polo. Butler's great harmony, an organic restaurant and boutique on East 60th Street, is evidence of the versatility of this "21st Century Renaissance Man" who has been cited by Who's Who, the U.N. (for making possible the U.N. World Youth Assembly), The New England Theatre Special Conference Award and the National Educational Theatre Conference Special Award, Mr. Butler's papers and clippings were recently requested by and presented to Boston University's contemporary Documents Library, Besides his newly founded project, Revelation Records (which will continue to utilize the energies brought together on stage in Hair), Mr. Butler is planning a musical adaption of Frankenstein. ROBIN WAGNER (Scenic Designer) Designed and supervised 14 separate productions of Hair. His other broadway credits include Promises, Promises, The Great White Hope, Lovers and Other Strangers, Jesus Christ Superstar, Inner City, and many other shows. Mr. Wagner's designs in New York include The Lincoln Center Productions of Galileo and The Condemned of Altona, and The Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald. His off-Broadway credits include In White America, A View From The Bridge, Cages, Between Two Thieves, The Prodigal, and last season's Machagonny, he has been principal designer for many regional theatre companies and as a theatre consultant. RANDY BARCELO (Costume Designer). His interest in costume design comes from his mother who supported the family by sewing sequins on the eyelids of well-to-do Cuban hookers. His last New York designing credit was off-Broadway's now-legendary The Moondreamers. He previously designed costumes for Gloria and Esperanza, Jesus and Magdalena, Min and Bill, Touch And Go, Ted and Alice, Nip and Tuck, Pat and Dick and Bob and Ray. His radio credits include The Young Chiropractors, The Old Man, and The Sea. He is an avid collector of sow's ears, which he magically turns into silk purses. Lenny marks his Broadway debut.

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Gitlow BARRY SMITH
Charlie
Idella
Ol'Cap'n ART WALLACE

#### SINGERS & DANCERS

J. Edward Adams, Robert Anderson, Prudence Darby, Roslyn Burrough Dixon, Helen Geizer, Cardell Hall, Fay Hauser, Franz Jones, Ken Page, Stanley Perryman, Rod Sibert, Graciela Simpson, Al Thomas, Freda T. Vanterpool, Renee Warren, Dennis Williams. Dance Captain—Graciela Simpson.

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## WIHO'S WIHO IN THE

PATTI JO (Lutiebelle) is the latest Broadway Cinderella-going from singing with a jazz group in her native Florida to a starring role in a Broadway musical in two and a half years. Patti Jo began her career while attending Florida A & M singing with bands. Fresh out of college, she joined a group, Columbus Smith and his Gospel Jazz Singers. Saving her money, she finally had enough for vocal arrangements to launch a single act. Barry Smith, who plays Gitlow in Purlie, took her to his manager and insisted they sign her. Being skilled managers, they immediately placed her in New York's Catskill Mts. for a summer-a training ground for many wellknown singers today. The seasoning of her act made it possible to book it in the Pow Wow Room of the Thunderbird Motel in Miami where she remained for nine weeks. Among other numbers, she sang "Purlie" and "I Got Love," It was this act that was reviewed in Variety and the producer-director of Purlie in New York, Philip Rose found it piqued his interest in the sparkling young lady. After nine months on Broadway, Patti Jo toured with the National Company of Purlie for two years gathering fantastic reviews everywhere she appeared. Following her success in Purlie, she worked the major night clubs across the country. She appeared on the Mike Douglas and Mery Griffin shows and had a hit record, "Ain't No Love Lost," Adding to her long list of credits is an appearance on the new TV series Caribe.

ROBERT GUILLAUME (Purlie) played the title role in the national company of Purlie on tour and on its return to Broadway. He was seen off-Broadway in Charlie Was Here and Now He's Gone, for which he received excellent reviews. Prior to that, he had a long stint in Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Chicago. He took time out from Jacques Brel to appear at the Arena Stage in Washington where he was critically acclaimed for playing the lead role in No Place to Be Somebody. Mr. Guillaume, born in St. Louis, has been seen on Broadway in Golden Boy, Kwamina, Tambourines to Glory, Finian's Rainbow, Fly Blackbird and Bambouche, During the past several years he portrayed Sportin' Life in Porgy and Bess, a role that took him to Israel, Vienna, and Toulouse, France. Television viewers have seen him on the Tonight Show, Julia, Marcus Welby, M.D., and Like It Is. He was featured on the TV special S' Wonderful, S'Marvelous, S'Gershwin, hosted by Jack Lemmon. He was featured in the movie Superfly TNT. He was recently seen as Marshall in the Joseph Papp production of Apple Pie, Mr. Guillaume is an alumnus of Karamu Theatre in Cleveland.

NORMA DONALDSON (Missy), a native New Yorker, began to build her ever-growing career by studying acting with Gabriel Dell of the Dead End Kids and voice with John Bartis, Performing as a singer, Miss Donaldson toured the plush nightclubs of Europe as a headliner, traveled the States with the companies of Harry Belafonte, John Davidson and E.Y. Harburg Concerts. The versatility of Miss Donaldson has been displayed in such productions as The Great White Hope; playing Clara, the harlot, in Benay Venuta's Quarter for the Ladies Room; Aunt Marie in The Duplex at Lincoln Center: Evie in No Place to Be Somebody: and Clytemnestra in The Flies for Vinnette Carroll's Urban Arts Theatre. Standing by for Leslie Uggams in the Broadway production of Hallelujah, Baby led to the highly successful lead role in the road company. The statuesque actress has appeared in many television commercials on camera and voice-overs as well as motion pictures. The most recent films added to her credits are the roles of Gloria Tobert in Across 110th Street and Honey in Willie Dynamite, both of which were box-office successes. Participation in civic and political benefits, such as her recent appearance for Howard Samuels Committee for Governor at the Palace Theatre, are a part of this dynamic performer's career. Miss Donaldson's future projects spiral on to a possible television series and the starring role in a film being adapted from a best seller list book.

BARRY SMITH (Gitlow) is from the Bahamas Islands and was raised in South Florida. Mr. Smith has appeared extensively as a vocalist and credits to his acclaim include appearances on the Ed Sullivan Show, as well as many singing engagements from the Rainbow Grill in New York, to Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. Mr. Smith began dancing lessons at the age of three and had his first stage experience in a kindergarten play and church program. He began playing piano in his sophomore year of high school and has studied music ever since. Barry studied French and Spanish at Florida A & M University and performed as the lead singer with the Gospel Jazz Singers. He also was a solo performer for Mrs. Ethel Kennedy at the Kennedy Center with the Peter Duchin Orchestra. Barry has been featured in the Playboy VIP magazine. He also portrayed Simon in the production of Jesus Christ Superstar, Barry currently has a single on the market, "That's The Way The Ball Bounces," which he produced.

ART WALLACE (Ol' Cap'n) starred in this same role in the original company of Purlie on Broadway, as well as in the National Touring Company. His other Broadway shows include The Music Man, A Joyful Noise, Talent '64, and Nowhere to Go But Up. Mr. Wallace has over forty roles in stock and repertory productions to his credit, and has worked extensively Off Broadway in New York, in shows like The Perfect Party, Now is the Time for All Good Men, Hotel Passionato, Flahooley.

and The Tattooed Countess. A frequent face on the TV screen, Mr. Wallace has been seen on The Zero Hour, Kraft Music Hall, O'Halloran's Luck, and innumerable commercials. He did vocals and played bass with Charlie Barnett and Sonny Dunham, and was featured in the films Welcome to the Club and The Jacoson Years.

KENNETH GILMAN (Charlie) comes to Purlie after having been one of the stars of the New York production The Wager, directed by Anthony Perkins. Previously he starred in a television pilot for Screen Gems called Help, Inc., and has recently appeared on the daytime soap opera Another World, Off-Broadway audiences saw him in the musical Lotta at the Public Theatre, and in Weigh-in, Weighout, the longest-running show at the famed Upstairs at the Downstairs. The varied productions in which Mr. Gilman has played the lead role include Pal Joey with Margaret Whiting, Is Anyone Listening, a new thriller by Joseph Hayes starring Dana Andrews, Barefoot in the Park with Kurt Kasznar and Maureen O'Sullivan, Edward Albee's The Zoo Story, and The Importance of Being Ernest. In addition, his diaper, detergent, and hairspray commercials have thrilled audiences coast to coast. Mr. Gilman shares an apartment with his wife Colette, their two cats, Daphne and Delilah, and "a Tahitian bridal veil which I water once a week," he says.

JO MARIE PAYTON (Idella) is a native of Miami. She attended the University of Miami, Dade Junior College North and the Ivan Tors Studio, where she trained in motion picture and television. She has made numerous TV appearances and was Drama Director for the Theatre of Afro Arts. She is a member of the Southern Black Cultural Alliance, and her list of shows ranges from Raisin in the Sun to Day of Absence, Lost in the Stars, Simply Heavenly, Bessic Smith, Amen Corner, Raindrop of Thunder, and Who Got His Own.

#### SINGERS AND DANCERS

J. EDWARD ADAMS graduated from Oberlin College, did graduate work at New York University, and embarked on a career in opera, appearing with the Oakland Symphony, Paterson Lyric and the Symphony of the New World, ROBERT ANDERSON was featured on Broadway in Mother Goose, played several roles in stock, including Danny in Applause, first with Eva Gabor, then with Arlene Dahl; Bernardo in West Side Story, and Anselmo in Man of La Mancha with Giorgio Tozzi. He also sang and danced in several shows directed and choreographed by Peter Gennaro at the famed Radio City Music Hall in New York City, PRUDENCE DARBY was born in 1954

and raised in Jamaica, New York. She attended LaGuardia College, where she majored in court reporting. Her first professional appearance was on The Chuck McCann Show, followed by Hullabaloo with Jerry Lewis, The Doctors, and the Sammy Davis special, In Las Vegas, she performed in Promises, Promises and in Hollywood was in the production of \$600, and a Mule under the direction of Lester Wilson at the Huntington Hartford Theatre. She was also in the Broadway musical Mack and Mabel with Robert Preston and Bernadette Peters. She has studied and performed with Bernice Johnson in various New York showcases such as the Academy of Music, the Waldorf-Astoria, and Carnegie Hall. ROSLYN BURROUGH DIXON is a graduate of Morris Brown College and the University of Florida. She is a married Virgo and a Delta Sigma Theta girl. Roz came into show business after a six-year teaching career in Jacksonville, Florida, She has been seen in New York companies of Bridge to Broadway and The Sound of Music, Roz is the lead soprano in our company. HELEN GELZER comes from Boston, Mass. Her first visit to D.C. came when she joined the original cast of Godspell at Ford's Theatre. She then appeared at the American Theatre with Jim and Ted Rado's Rainbow Radio Roadshow and later at the National Theatre with the touring company of Godspell, FAY HAUSER is a graduate of the University of North Carolina in Drama and Psychology, helped form the Carolina Repertory Company, the state's first professional touring theatre, and wrote, directed, composed and choreographed street theatre productions for the Winston-Salem Arts Council. FRANZ JONES is a native of Washington, D.C., and has appeared as Val Cutting in Bartholomew Fair at the Folger Theatre, and as the Duke in The Boys from Syracuse at Washington Theatre Club. Mr. Jones was also seen in Romeo and Juliet with the Shakespeare Festival of Washington, Mr. Jones also trained at Stage Studio and Careers for Workshops in the Arts in Washington, He studied at Texas Christian University, KEN PAGE has appeared in the Saint Louis Municipal Opera's productions of Bittersweet, Take Me Along, with Gene Kelly, and Man of La Mancha. He has just returned from a national tour as Jim in Huck Finn, STANLEY WES-LEY PERRYMAN was born in 1953, raised in Seattle, and attended the University of Washington for three years, until he was discovered by the director of the Inner City Repertory Dance Company from Los Angeles. He appeared as a lead dancer with them for two years, touring the country from 1973 to 1975, during which time he took leave of absence to do various other engagements, such as Funny Lady for several months. ROD

SIBERT who is still a high school student. was seen in the national touring company of The Me Nobody Knows as Clorox, Rod's repertory credits range from Antigone to Slow Dance on the Killing Ground, In White America, Medea, Day of Absence, and over 11 productions of children's theatre. Rod was last seen in an episode of Caribe with Stacy Keach. He recently returned from a Caribbean tour of the islands where he performed both on the ship and in nightclubs. He has just received the Silver Knight Award, a special award given in Miami, Florida for an outstanding actor. Rod shows versatility in his work by going from serious acting to nightclub engagements to commercials and tv work. He is the youngest and shortest member of the company, GRACIELA SIMPSON, a native of Panama, has appeared in Two Gentlemen of Verona in New York with the New York Shakespeare Festival, Inner City at the Washington Theatre Club and A Hand is on the Gate with Ernie McClintock's Afro-American Studio Theatre Center. She has been a featured dancer with the Rod Rodgers Dance Company, the Glenn Brooks Dance Company, the Pepsi Bethel Company, and the George Faison Universal Dance Experience, AL THOMAS is an alumnus of Los Angeles City College. He made his Broadway debut in Jesus Christ Superstar, in which he later had the opportunity to perform the role of Judas, Other credits include Show Boat, The Roar of the Greasepaint . . ., and currently Reverend Ike's The Joy of Living telecast. Al is currently producing a Los Angeles group, Counterpoints, and can be seen in the upcoming film No Place to Run as Steve, FREDA T. VAN-TERPOOL has toured extensively in Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope, worked with Pearl Bailey in Hello Dolly! on Broadway and on tour, and worked with the Negro Ensemble Company in Sojourner Truth and The Great MacDaddy. She has worked with the Jean Leon Destine, Fred Benjamin, and Morse Donaldson dance companies. She was in Dream on Monkey Mountain in New York, Los Angeles, Germany, and Bermuda; worked at the Newport Jazz Festival in 1973; and was featured at Vinnette Carroll's Urban Arts Corps in Prodigal Son and The Ups and Downs of Theophilus Maitland, Her television credits include Soul, The Ed Sullivan Show, and the 1968 Tony Award telecast, RENEE WARREN studied and performed with Alvin Ailey, Fred Benjamin, Vernice Johnson and Chuck Davis in various New York showcases like Town Hall, the Waldorf Astoria, and Carnegie Hall and has done African dance on Wonderama on New York TV. DENNIS WILLIAMS is a native of Cleveland and has trained at the American Dance Center and the Harkness School of Ballet.

STOCKTON BRIGGLE (Director) has been working on this Los Angeles production of Purlie since January. He has directed and guided the show from Miami to Philadelphia to Washington, D.C., where Purlie has just completed a sold-out engagement. In a few short years, Mr. Briggle has compiled an enviable directorial record. He has represented the United States at the International Arts Festival in Hamilton, Bermuda, with a highly acclaimed production of The Lion In Winter, Mr. Briggle was the first American Director ever to be invited to participate in this internationally famous festival. For his work as a director, Mr. Briggle was awarded the Distinguished Knights Cross by the Governor General of Bermuda. Mr. Briggle has directed over thirty plays and musicals in the last four years. Major critics across the country have praised his creative, innovative approach to everything from Shakespeare to Neil Simon comedies. Last summer, Mr. Briggle was asked to direct the Shakespeare Festival of Dallas premiere production of Othello. The production drew over 30,000 people and was praised as the finest Othello in three decades. Stars directed by Mr. Briggle include Arlene Francis in the American premiere of Who Killed Santa Claus?, Ann Miller in the St. Louis Municipal Opera production of Anything Goes; John Raitt and Constance Towers in I Do! I Do!: Judy Carne in Cabaret: Fannie Flagg in Private Lives; and Molly Picon in A Majority of One, Some other stars directed by Stockton Briggle include Theodore Bikel, Bill Bixby, Peggy Cass, Jack Gilford, Selma Diamond, Hans Conreid, Desi Arnaz Jr., Christopher George and Linda Day George, Mr. Briggle directed his first film, The End or the Beginning, when he was 20 years old, in 1972 he directed two TV specials for the BBC, Other film credits include a documentary on The Texas Rangers and another filmed in Mexico on the Aztec civilization for Mexican television.

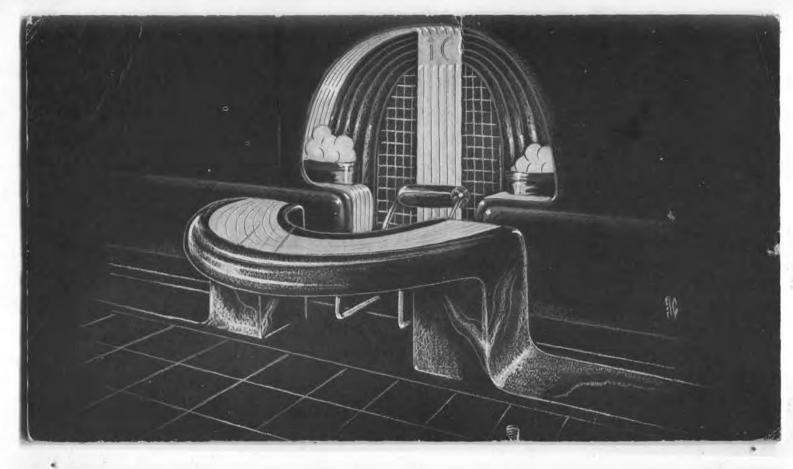
AL PERRYMAN (Musical Staging) boasts stage credits including Golden Boy at the London Palladium, Satyricon at the Stratford Festival in Ontario and Hallelujah, Baby, On Broadway, Mr. Perryman was in Two Gentlemen of Verona Purlie, and for the past two years has danced with his partner Loretta Abbott, as featured in the Broadway musical Raisin, Perry Como's show. Harry Belafonte's Special, Ed Sullivan, the Tony Awards show, and Soul are a few of Mr. Perryman's television experiences. After working as Master of Ceremonies at Radio City Music Hall, in Peter Gennaro Presents, as Guest Artist with the Harkness Ballet Company and Guest Instructor at the American University in Washington, D.C., Mr. Perryman choreographed the Holiday Island Review in Bermuda, Black Is We Are and recently staged a TV commercial for Raisin.

JEFFREY SCHISSLER (Lighting and Co-Scenic Designer) was originally connected with this Purlie as assistant designer for the original production at the Coconut Grove Playhouse, Miami. He then designed the lighting for the production at the Playhouse in the Park, Philadelphia, and the National Theatre, Washington, D.C., and now serves as co-scenic designer. Jeff's most recent credit was as an assistant to Ken Billington on the highly acclaimed Broadway show Rodgers, and Hart, He has designed lighting for Tonight at 8:30 and See How They Run for Meadow Brook Theatre, Michigan. While with Coconut Grove Playhouse, he was assistant designer for J.C. Superstar, Hughie/Duet, and The Sponsor. Past credits include Resident Lighting Designer for the 1974 Season at the Playhouse in the Park, Philadelphia; lighting designer for the Philadelphia Premiere of Moonchildren, and scenic artist for the American Premier of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

JOYCE BROWN (Musical Director) who served as Musical Director for the original Broadway production of Purlie, served in the same capacity for Richard Adler's recent revival of The Pajama Game, which played the Kennedy Center prior to New York, Immediately before that assignment she served as Musical Director for the premiere production of Raisin at Arena Stage. Of West Indian heritage, she performed for several years as concert pianist and concert singer and as organist for numerous churches. Desiring to branch out into musical theatre work, she began conducting for such leading nightclub performers as Joyce Bryant, Diahann Carroll, Leslie Uggams and Anita Ellis. She has done musical arrangements for shows at the Dunes and Thunderbird in Las Vegas and at the Latin Quarter in New York, She was Musical Director for the National company of Bye, Bye, Birdie and for Golden Boy starring Sammy Davis Jr. in New York, and served as Assistant Musical Director for Hallelujah, Baby.

#### STAFF FOR "PURLIE"

Producer . . . . . Joan Gherman General Manager . . . Robert S, Fishko Company manager . . . Laurel Ann Wilson Production Stage Manager Beverley Randolf Stage Manager . . . . Ted Harris Assistant to Mr. Schissler . . . J.D. Ferrara General Press Representative Shirley Carroll Associate Press Representative Nancy Hereford



#### Earl Carroll Theatre - Restaurant

"Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world"

October 15, 1938

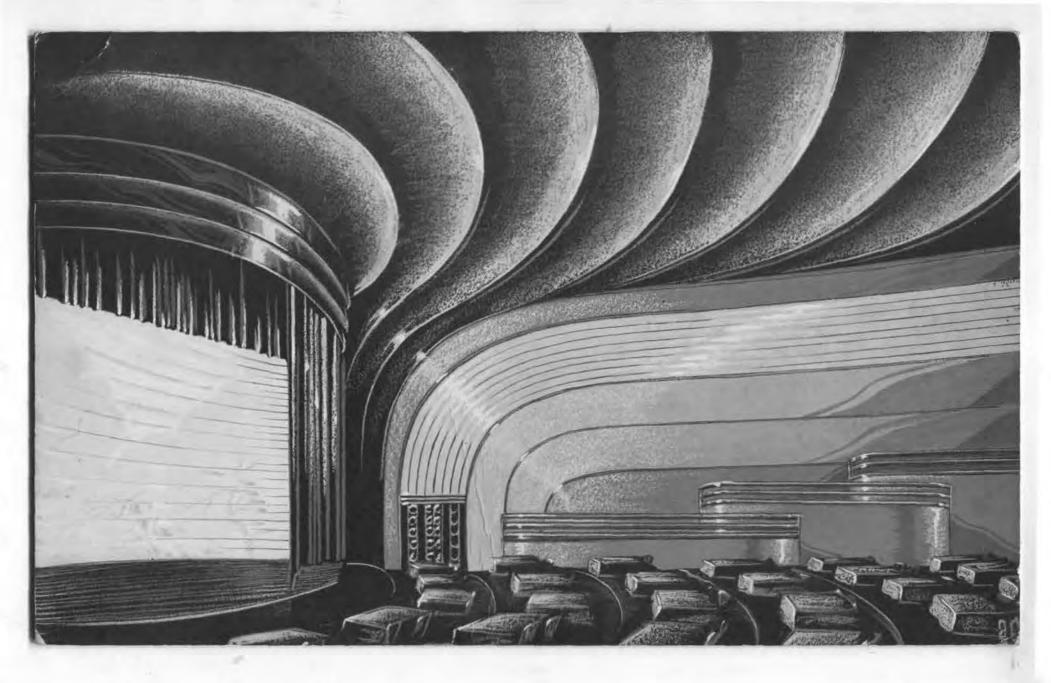
There will be no Box-Office in the new Earl Carroll Theatre in Hollywood. Instead, a "Reservation Desk." There will be no ordinary theatre seats. Instead, perfectly appointed tables and luxurious chairs. There will be no balcony. Instead, a main floor which will seat a thousand.

The crystal doors of the outer lobby will open at seven o'clock. You may dine, drink and dance until the spectacular stage-show begins at nine-fifteen. This more convenient hour permits you to have dinner at home if you wish and still have plenty of leisure to witness the revue.

An astounding structure, the first of its kind ever built! Not to be confused with an ordinary night-club, cabaret or restaurant with a floor-show. Instead, it is to be a theatre of great glamour, presenting America's leading dance orchestras; featuring sixty of the world's most beautiful girls; all embellished by a full evening's entertainment of lavish stage-settings magnificently produced on the first double-revolving stage ever constructed.

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#### HOLLYWOOD

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November 18, 1938.

There is a rumor in the air that the new Theatre is going to be so expensive that only the chosen few can afford to enjoy it. This flattering compliment indicates clearly that even before the Theatre has opened it is considered the ultimate in evening's gaiety.

But this rumor is not true. Of course the Picture Stars will be there, but so, also, will be the millions of tourists and residents of Southern California who expect the best food and entertainment at a fair and reasonable cost. And now for the first announcement of the price.

#### TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF

Which will include a complete full-course dinner; a two-hour stage show (a lavish production of twenty scenes, with a company of eighty) and, that isn't all, dancing from 7 P. M. until 2 A. M. to the entrancing music of two internationally-famous orchestras.

A full evening's entertainment for Two Dollars and a Half, with no cover charge at any time, amid the most glamorous surroundings in Hollywood.

Yes, we confidently believe it will be crowded at all

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#### PASSPORT FAKERS USED HIS APARTMENT



Martin I. Deutsch, shown here in sculptor's studio in Hollywood. It was at his vacant apartment in New York that papers were delivered to the fictitious Donald Robinsons for trip to Russia. The forgers were recently subject of an international inquiry.

Times photo

## SCULPTOR TIRED EXPLAINING ABOUT MISSING 'ROBINSONS'

Martin I. Deutsch, New York sculptor and portrait painter listing in Hollywood, yesterday was growing weary of denying repeated reports that he knew a couple known as Mr. and Mrs. Donald Robinson.

The Robinsons, involved in a possible espionage plot Tuesday, when the State Department announced its operatives had found that they were traveling on fraudulent passports, disappeared mysteriously in Moscow several days ago.

#### ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Since Tuesday night, when it was first reported that the fake passports—bearing names taken from graves of children who would have been the approximate age of the Robinsons had they lived—had been mailed in care of Deutsch, to his New York apartment, the sculptor has been harassed for an explanation.

#### FINDS NOTICE IN BOX

Quoting the late Will Rogers, Deutsch said yesterday that all he knows of the couple is what he has read in the newspapers. He was in Florida on April 6, 1936, when the passports were assertedly mailed, he said.

On his return to New York a month later, Deutsch said he

found a notice from a telegraph company in his mail box. The notice bore a name similar to that of Robinson, but since the mail box was in the lobby of the apartment-house and easily accessible to the public, Deutsch threw it away and thought no more of it.

"I have never known any couple named Robinson," said Deutsch.

#### Msgr. Tardini to Be Promoted

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 15. (P) A semi-official Vatican news source today said it now seems certain that Msgr. Comenico Tardini, Undersecretary of State for Ordinary Affairs, will succeed Giuseppe Cardinal Pizzardo as Undersecretary of State for Extraordinary. Affairs. Pizzardo was made a cardinal last Monday, along with others.

## Murder Ring Mystery Solved

PARIS, Dec. 15. (A)—A mystery bundle of women's clothing found in the villa of Eugene Weidmann, confessed executioner for a murder-for-profit ring, was solved partly today.

Jean Destruel and his wife of Bordeaux notified police they recognized some articles from descriptions in newspapers as clothing of Mrs. Destruel, stolen from their car last April.

Other articles, however, still were unidentified and two women who had answered newspaper help wanted advertisements inserted by Weidmann were reported missing.

Police investigators expressed fear they may have met the same fate as Jean De Koven, Brooklyn (N. Y.) dancer, and Mme. Janine Keller, sixth of Weldmann's known victims, both of whose bodies have been dug out of hiding places.

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**Ex-Governor Dies** 

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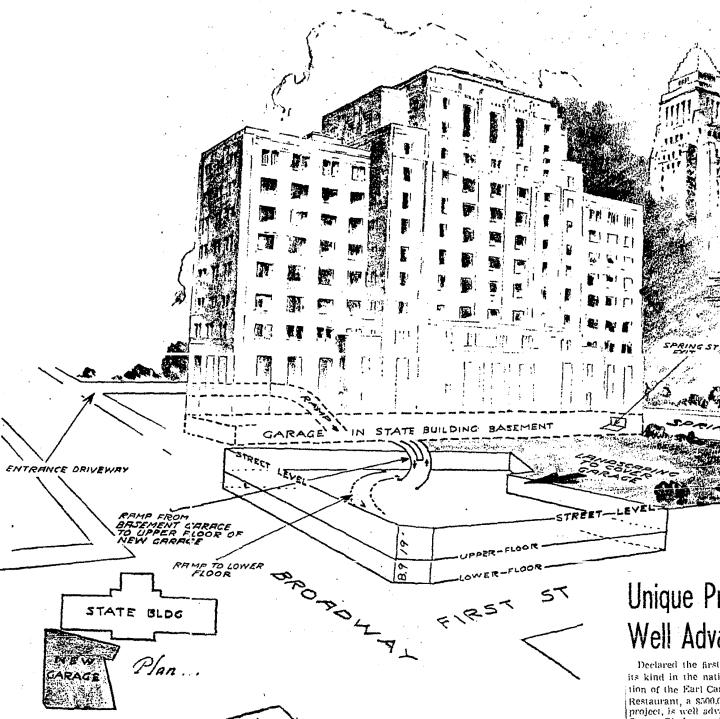
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## STATE BUILDING'S NEW UNDERGROUND GARAGE



The above drawing by Charles H. Owens diagrams the extensive new unit that is to enlarge the present large

garage under the State Building here. The addition will be beneath the site of the former Times Building.

## WORK STARTS TOMORROW ON SUBTERRANEAN PROJECT

One of these days, not so far modate equipment, will extend off, the handsome State Build across the southerly side of the ing here will be surrounded by landscaping that materially will enhance the charm of the Civic Center. Undergeth a consideration of the control of the co Center. Underneath a considerable part of the building's First St. park will be one of the largest and most unique garages in this part of the country.

Work on it is scheduled to be started tomorrow, according to J. S. Metzger & Son, who have the general contract for the garage project.

#### TWO-STORY UNIT

In effect it will be a two-story rn elect it will be a two-story structure beneath the site, at the northeast corner of Broadway and First St., of the former Times Building that was razed following completion of the new Times Building at the southwest corner of First and Spring Sts.

The contract rooms

The contract price is \$120,000, for Store Building but with heating and other equipment it is calculated the project will entail expenditure of about \$135,000.

The new subterranean garage, to be an adjunct to the present one beneath the entire area of the State Building, will have a frontage of 99 feet on First St., 155 feet along the Broadway side. 150 feet at the rear and a jogged east-side frontage totaling 136 feet. The top floor will be 19 feet high and the subbasement will have a height of 8 feet 9 will have a height of 8 feet 9 mert Blvd., from plans prepared inches. A mezzanine, to accomby Architect S. O. Clements.

Each floor will have an area of 15,000 square feet and the en-tire unit will have a capacity of 70 cars. The garage now in use can accommodate 100 cars. The upper floor of the new garage will be 7 feet lower than the single floor of the one now be-neath the building and access which is reached by a Broadway. The improvements in ide ramp just north of the building. A curving ramp will lead from the upper to the lower

Plans for the construction of a Home Property \$35,000 store building in the Leimert Park business center and consummation of a long-term lease for one of the storerooms were announced by E. L. Kirk, vice-president and director of sales, of Walter H. Leimert Company

The new building, which will contain three storerooms, is to rise at the northwest corner of West Forty-third Place and Lei-

## Improvements at Apartment Hotel Amount to \$100,000

Completion at the Langham Apartment Hotel, 715 S. Normandie avenue of remodeling, refurnishing and decorating, totaling expenditure of \$100,000, has

been announced,

B. Lipson, managing director of the Langham and formerly operator of hotels and apart-ments in Detroit, stated the helief that such expenditures were justified in keeping pace with the modern trends, growth of the

The improvements included ew refrigeration, new lobby new and refurnishing of all apartments.

selecting the furnishings according to their own taste. vation of apartment-hotel operation that has met with instant approval, it was disclosed.

## Bought for \$45,000

Nicholas Nayfack, motion-pic-ture executive, has purchased the ture executive, has purchased the residence property at 1928 Mandeville Canyon, for a reported consideration of \$45,000. H. R. Chilberg, Beverly Hills realty dealer, negotiated the purchase. The home, situated in a wooded tract of three acres, has twelve rooms and four baths and is of Early American design. Early American design.

## Unique Project Well Advanced

Declared the first structure of its kind in the nation, construction of the Earl Carroll Theater-Restaurant, a \$500,000 structural project, is well advanced at 6230 Sunset Blyd., near Vinc St., Hollywood.

Designed by Architect Gordon B. Kaufmann, whose design of the Los Angeles Times Building and the Santa Anita race track structures won international recognition, the building is unique in that its patrons will be able to dine, dance and watch a stage revue under one roof at a single price. . Interiors have been created by Count Alexis de Sakhnofisky, known as an origi-nator of "streamlined design." Construction is by the Ford J. Twaits Co.

In the project's theater of 12, 000 square feet area will be two ood square feet area will be two revolving stages, one an 80-foot stage, the largest of its kind ever constructed.

The board of governors in-cludes Darryl Zanuck, Bing Crosby, William Goetz, Harold

Lloyd and Walter Wanger.

## Revue Opens Next Monday

The Earl Carroll revue "Broadway to Hollywood," a musical extravaganza in two acts with a cast of more than 100 and featuring the "Sixty Most Beautiful Girls in the World," now in its final stages of rehearsal, will have its world premiere next Monday night at the new Earl Carroll theater-restaurant at Sunset and Vine.

Produced under the personal supervision of Mr. Carroll, the revue features such principals as Vivian Faye, Harrison and Fischer, A. Robbins, Beryl Wallace, Arren and Broderlek, Reginald Craig, Denise, Susan Miller, The Three Sophisticates, Paul Garrets and Louise Burnett. The musical direction is under the baton of Ray Noble.

Several of the revue members, especially the "Candlelight,"
"The Bolero," "The Can-Can," and "The Tyrolean," will be extravagantly produced. In the "Candlelight" scene, the girls will ascend 100 treads of stairs and will be 135 feet in the air.

Not one but two revolving stages, 90 feet in circumference, will be used for the show and for dancing. There will also be a "floating" stage where montage effects will be created, DANCER FEATURED IN REVUE Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Dec 24, 1938; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990) pg. A9

#### DANCER FEATURED IN REVUE



Vivian Faye is ballerina of Earl Carroll's attraction, "Broadway to Hollywood," which will have a gala opening Monday night at the producer's new theater here.

## New 'Letty' Earl Carroll Play Opens Revue Opens at El Capitan Tomorrow

Charlotte Greenwood and the members of her company will bring the comedy, "Leaning on Letty," to the El Capitan Theater stage this afternoon under the direction of Martin Broones. producer.

In paying her first visit to Los Angeles and Hollywood in more than three years, Miss Green-American comedienne, wood. could think of no way better to spread laughter and enjoyment than to bring "Leaning on Letty" to the local rialto during the holiday season.

#### COMEDY LONG ON TOUR

The comedy. which ranks among the longest touring engagements for a play, has brought laughter to audiences in Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia and other key cities with equal success in a transcontinental tour well in excess of two years.

When Charlotte Greenwood last appeared at El Capitan, she established a record run of three months which has not been bro-

ken since.

#### HIGH POSITION WON

Her "So Long Letty" dance and new songs and some plain and fancy clowning in the aftershow have definitely stamped her as an unsurpassed comedienne.

There will be two shows New Year's Eve, one at 8 p.m. and the other at 10:30 p.m. A special holiday matinee will be staged tomorrow.

#### Radio Signs Tim Holt

Tim Holt, actor son of the screen star, Jack Holt, has been signed to a long-term contract by Radio Pictures.

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#### RAY NOBLE MUSIC

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the baton of Ray Noble.
Several revue numbers, especially the "Candlelight," "the Bolero," "the Cancan" and "the Tyrolean," will be extravagantly produced. In the first the girls will ascend more than 100 treads of stairs to be 135 feet in the air.

Many new and novel effects are predicted in the theater. Two revolving stages, 90 feet in circumference, the largest in the world, will be used for the show and for dancing. There will also be a floating stage for montage effects.

#### MOVING PLATFORMS

Several disappearing platforms will be used at varied moments, Ray Noble's band, for example, appearing and disappearing at divers times.

The 15-foot statue which took seven months to make will be the sole source of lighting for the entire theater.

The playhouse is divided into six terraces. The Carroll emporium will be run on the same principle as a theater.

Hollywood's New Theater Opening Due Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Dec 26, 1938; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990) pg. 14

## Hollywood's New Theater Opening Due

Hollywood tonight will cele brate the opening of Earl Car roll's theater-restaurant and his new revue, "Broadway to Holly wood," featuring the "Sixty Most Beautiful Girls in the World."

Headed by several dignitaries of State and Mayor Bowron, the list of guests is an impressive one. Clark Gable, Tyrone Power, Robert Taylor, Constance Bennett and Carole Lombard are

just a few of the representatives of the film colony while society of Southern California will have its share of personages.

The musical extravaganza, a revue in two acts with a cast of 100, will be lavishly produced under the personal supervision of Carroll. The principals include Vivian Faye, Harrison and Fischer, A. Robbins, Beryl Wallace, Arren and Broderick, Reginald Craig, Denise, Susan Miller, The Three Sophisticates, Paul Garretts and Louise Burnett.

## Hall Completes Cycle in Twain Screen Story

Playing the role of the kindly old uncle in "Tom Sawyer, Detective," now at the Paramount Theater, completes a cycle for Porter Hall in Mark Twain's works, for his very first role before the footlights was in the part of Huckleberry Finn before an audience which included the author himself.

Hall's role as Finn was many, many years ago during his schooldays in Cincinnati, when the crude adaptation was especially arranged in honor of a visit to the city by Samuel Clemens, or Twain.

## Carroll Opens Restaurant

#### Celebrities of Films and Society Attend Dazzling First Night

Most dazzling of events in the night life of Hollywood was ac-complished with the opening of Earl Carroll's Hollywood Theater Restaurant last evening.

Aglow with celebrities was the new palatial locale of entertain ment in the form of dining new palatial locale of entertain ment in the form of dining dancing and glamorous revues Typical of any spectacular hap pening of this kind, proceedings began late and continued far in to the morning hours, but even tually under stress of many diffi-culties backstage, the Earl Car-roll show arrived and proved a brilliant hit with the first audi-

ence.

It was a mingling of social and professional leaders who at tended the colorful premiere, and several thousand of sightseers gathered outside the theater-restaurant to behold the stars as they drove up to the entrance-way where a chosen few of the spectators had procured the choice points of vantage for viewing the arrival of the film luminaries and others.

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luminaries and others.

Traffic was slowed for several blocks in either direction of the entrance. Guests began arriving at the night club which is of the "super-super" variety, at about 8 o'clock. But the truly resplendent pageant did not begin until an hour or so later.

#### CELEBRITIES ARRIVE

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This was signalized by the advent of Marlene Dietrich, Dolores Del Rio, the J. L. Warners, Richard Barthlemess, Sally Ellers and various others in a single group. Shortly afterward Edgar Bergen appeared on the scene, but without Charlie McCarthy. He didn't even carry a suit case. He escorted Kay St. Germaine.

Others in the large parties included Claudette Colbert, Constance Bennett, Errol Flynn, Lili Damita, William Gargan, Jackie Coogan and Betty Grable, Mary Livingstone, Phil Harris, Conrad Nagel, Mary Brian, Darry I Zanuck, David O. Selznick, Norman Krasna and numerous others of the professional set.

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IN SOCIAL WORLD

The social world was almost equally well represented.

As the audience assembled and the orchestra piayed, many took advantage of the possibilities of the stage for dancing.

The stage itself proved ideal as a setting for the show which Carrol presented and which went an unusual gamut from satire to beautiful girl numbers, dancing, comedy and song.

Primarily it was the ensemble of girls that attracted the audience particularly as the costumes were of unusual variety. The first number was like a flower garden and the introductory part of this was themed on the idea of the show's title "Broadway to Hollywood."

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Paul Gerrits acted as master of ceremonies and provided some good laughs with his lines as well as the unexpected one when he said: "I'm going to tell you a story about two rats" and suddenly disappeared from sight when a platform descended.

The material in the Carroll Show was voted exceptional by Ray Noble's orchestra provided these present although it still required organizing in their opinion but there was plenty of evidence that the Hollywood The done with zest by the chorus.

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COMINGS AND GOINGS

## LATEST STUDIO AND THEATER GOSSIP

THE DRAMA WORLD

## 'Little Theater' Talent Sparkles in Revue

Girls Garnered From Local Stages Seen in Carroll Follies; Keith Winter's New Play to Be Premiered

#### BY KATHERINE T. VON BLON

theater for its gift of poise, pul- lating. chritude and personality to his New Play Opens gay entertainment theater on Sunset Blvd. Excellent sense at Spotlight Theater of rhythm and stage presence was especially to be noted in

Edward Clark Academy Thea ter, reflected poise and excellent stage personality. Virginia George is an appealing beauty, weeks, last seen in ingenue roles at the Gateway Theater.

Pattle Sacks boasts experience in the Paris Little Theater under the direction of M. Jacques Norys played in the Paul Ger- now running. son productions and also in the small theaters of the South. Call Board Slates ern belle, who received her stage Mystery Drama training in the Party training in the Kentucky Little
Theater. Virginia Maples is "Orange Moon" by Mary Sherry,
from the Arcadia Little Theater. is announced for opening Feb.

#### Thought for Food Next at Bliss-Hayden

The Bliss-Hayden Theater executes a coup in capturing Keith Winter's latest play, "Thought for Food," for its next offering The theater is making an enviable record with its presenta tion of Broadway playwrights' plays in premiere performances. Keith Winter is perhaps best known for his "The Shining Hour." There's a tinge of satire in the clever word juggling of the title, and as Mr. Winter has a way with him in the concoct-

Earl Carroll owes a debt of in creating characters, this numgratitude to the nation's little ber should be especially stimu-

A brand-new play from the those girls garnered from little pen of a gifted young English actor of Hollywood is "Thirty-Susan Paley, who hails from Four Heather Street," by Rich-Ben Bard's theater, attracted ard Verney, which opened much attention. Another charm Thursday at the Spotlight Thea-er was Ruth Seely from Harold ter. Notably cast are Paul Field Turney's Junior College Theing, Sharley Simpson, character ing. Sharley Simpson, character ing. Sharley Simpson, Plays ater. Sandra Drake, from the actress from Pasadena Play

#### Clark to Present Famous Authors Series

Edward Clark of the Clark Duval, author of "Tovarich." Academy Theater plans a Fa-Evelyn Atchison comes from the mous Authors Series this sea-Max Reinhardt Workshop Thea son. Among well-known authors ter. Loretta King was a talent-represented on the list are J. C. ed member of the Marta Oatman and Elliott Nugent, William An-Players. Susan Miller is an thony McGuire, the late Willard other shining light from the Ben Mack, Emerson Tracey, Janet Douglass Cooper dramatization will open tomorrow night at Bard players' roster. Dorothy Elsie Clark, Irving Wallace and of Emily Bronte's "Wuthering Henry Duffy's Las Palmas The-Barrett is from the Evening Clark himself. "Sugar Baby" will Junior College Little Theater, open the 1939 season late this under Regina Kahl. Gwynne month, following "Smart Guys,"

And these are only a few of the 1 at the Call Board Theater. Piquant Russian names of girls from little thea. George Sorel directs and anters all over these United States, nounces Betty Campbell, Bob who are decorating the Carroll Riorden, Betry Campbell, Bob Follies. Riordan, Bernard Ribner, Daniei White and Joseph Copp Jr. the Circle," by Valentin Katayev, kin and John Dashiell. as his leading players.
"No Place in Heaven," the

Heights," is a real triumph. It ater, for a two-week engagehas been beautifully staged and ment. The farce relates the story directed by the author. The of two mismated couples, who drama of character and situation are forced through shortage of has been keenly stressed, and the houses to live in a single room. dialogue reflects all the exquisite The fireworks start when each is filled with full-blooded and husband finds himself in love reticence of the period, and yet passionate tragedy at times.

## Comedy to Open

with the other's wife. Constance Connors directs and an excellent cast of thespians have been chosen, including Howard Magwood, Carl Perley, Mary Davenport,

Earl Carroll Rehearsing New Troupe
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## Earl Carroll Rehearsing New Troupe

There will be a whirlwind of activity backstage of the Earl Carroll Theater in Hollywood this coming week. Before, between and after acts of the current revue, "The World's Fairest," Earl Carroll, aided by Larry Ceballos, is rehearsing a new troupe of 60 beautiful girls for "The World of Pleasure," the new show that will open on Dec. 26.

In another part of the backstage quarters Harry Long rehearses "The Earl Carroll Vanitics" that will take the spotlight in the Geary Theater in San Francisco on Dec. 24.

EARL CARROLL STAGE REVUE TO BE UNFOLDED TOMORROW Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Dec 25, 1939;

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### EARL CARROLL STAGE REVUE TO BE UNFOLDED TOMORROW

Hollywood theater.

the advantages of his mechanical marionette artist and ventrilodevices, such as double revolving quist; Christine, dancer; Bob Wilstages, rising platforms, supple- liams and Red Dust, talented mentary wall stages, and new comedy team, and Rufe Davis. sound apparatus, "World of animal and musical instrument Pleasure' will set a new dizzy imitator. pace with beautiful girls, principal performers and comedy situations.

Costumes made of pure spun glass, a tower of baby grand pianos reaching 18 feet in the air, a living fountain of cellophane, fantastic new lighting effects made possible by special anti-aircraft spotlights and a mysterious "Finale in Fire" are some of the production surprises.

Principals include Jean Tighe. Ken Stevens and Bill Brady, singers; the Sterner Sisters, dancers; Parker and Porthole, World's

Earl Carroll's newest revue, Fair attraction; Walter Dare "World of Pleasure," will be Wahl, comedian; the Juvelys, premiered tomorrow night at his European balance artists; the Singing Strings; Hubert Castle, Utilizing for the first time all star of circus fame; Bob Bromley,

#### Such Is Fame

Citizens in Dorothy Lamour's home town of New Orleans express pride in their native daughter in a practical way. Since the star's ascendancy to fame, there have appeared in New Orleans a Lamour bakery, a Lamour theater, three Lamour dress shops and a Lamour day nursery.

#### 'The World of Pleasure' Unfolds as Earl Carroll's Newest Attraction

Schallert, Edwin

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## `The World of Pleasure' Unfolds as Earl Carroll's Newest Attraction

#### BY EDWIN SCHALLERT

"The World of Pleasure," third the close of the routine. Earl Carroll show, made its bow practically cross country.

organizing and smoothing, more on his head, so than the second did when it MUSIC PLEASING had its premiere last summer,

#### EYE-FILLING CIAMAX

A brilliant climax is achieved; Much of the music in this in the finale to the first part of revue is original and of a very the evening, with the orange pleasing complexion, and the grove number, so ideally suited staging is distinguished by qualto these environs at this time ity.

appraiser of a first evening, writ. phase. ing for a morning paper, can do no more than hazard a guess and actually "taking off," in spite of what may eventuate in the sec. the tower of baby grand pianos ond part of a program, which be-

gins after the midnight hour.

Generally speaking, the comedy highlights have always sparkled more in these second acts of the revues, and much was being bruited about last evening concerning Walter "Dare Wahl," the comic tumbler, and his Brady, stooge, as well as Parker and Porthole, ventriloquist and his

"White Fans in the Moonlight" and "Tower of Feathers," and the finale with fireworks, were also being heralded, the fireworks taking the form of very sparkling sparklers, not to speak of very dizzying damozels.

#### AMUSING PRINCIPALS

Specialties in this Carroll show are mostly oddities. Among amusing performers he has Robert Williams and that remarkably passive dog, Red Dust, who,

With novelty more marked to all outward appearances, imilitary formations promises than in previous productions minds his master not at all, until plenty of novelty when it is

last night and revealed no limit pary in their balancing feats, some indifferent. Hubert Castle ing of the glitter and glamour It's a doings to keep you on edge has a fairly original tight-wire that have made these revues at all the time that it is going on, act, the theater-restaurant famous with the girl perilously balancing herself on huge rubber balls than favorable for "The World of The presentation still needs that the man in turn balances

Bob Bromley is an extraorditacular divertissement of the type nary marionette manipulator, his exist, and the whole affair is the Valkyries" and his pianist berich in color and pictorial beauty. ing sensationally clever and diverting virtuosi.

of the year, and the "Pyramid! Dorcas Cochran and Charles of Beauty" themed to the song, Rossoff are credited with the the "California Conga," resplen-melodic contributions, and the dent and eye-filling as stage pic-ensembles were arranged by gram opens today at the Fox

Carroll shows should really be Larry Ceballos, with the entire show directed and produced by reviewed and re-reviewed con- Carroll. He also briefly takes sidering their popularity, for the part during the introductory Revue is slow, incidentally, in

played by Ren Stevens, William mirably launched with "Desert

"three-legged" girls marching in and winning Sonja,

fully in shape. Rufe Davis pro-"The Juvelys" are extraordi vides imitations, some very good,

The general results are more Pleasure." Speeding its tempo will benefit.

On the musical side the Inner Circle Orchestra (especially,) directed by Archie Bleyer, the Mexicali Rumba Band, headed by Eduardo Aguilar and the singing strings, captained by Catherine Ames, help materially,

## Double Bill Proffered

An outstanding holiday pro-Wilshire Theater, with Sonja Henie's "Everything Happens at Night" and "20,000 Men a Year," featuring Randolph Scott, Margaret Lindsay and Preston Fos-

ter, making up the dual bill. Proving that Miss Henie's Brady, Ray Parker and Bob Wil- value to the screen is not based liams, and the Sterner sisters, solely on her skating talent, and others, but the revue is ad- "Everything Happens at Night" in Springtime," and the Jewel en- gives her dramatic opportunities. sembles, and the song, "This Is Nor is romance neglected, with Only the Beginning," done by Robert Cummings and Ray Milland portraying a pair of news-"The Tripod Parade" with hounds intent on getting a story

## Fun-Making at El Capitan Wins Audience Praise

Wholesome fun that has neither bitterness nor ridicule as a basis is always fresh. This theory is attested by the reaction of the audiences at El Capitan Theater where Charlotte Greenwood is playing in the comedy, "She Couldn't Šay No." As full of good will for every-

one as it is of laughs, the funmaking proves that a play need not be risque to be enjoyed, and it sets the key for the jovial holiday spirit. "She Couldn't Say No" will be

presented at a special matinee New Year's Day and two showings New Year's Eve.

#### New Theater in Debut KATHERINE VON BLON

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## New Theater in Debut

#### BY KATHERINE VON BLON

"There's Always Juliet."

to present the English side of placency, but she knows she's life and things as contrasted with the American way, and the au-

Beautiful and poised, Lenora Perrycoste finds herself quite American architect, Dwight Houston. She admits that she should be in high dudgeon over his intrusion, but her arrogance

is assumed, and inside she finds herself enjoying it all no end.

The Reginald Goode Theater She tries desperately to cling to made its cinema city debut the the aspect and gestures of her other night with a smartly paced own tradition, but suddenly realrendition of John Van Druten's izes that there are perhaps other things besides tranquility and The idea beneath this whimsi-poise. Her dignity is sacrificed cal play is subtly ironic. It seeks and she's lost her British com-

found something vastly better. Goode's direction was smooth, deliberate and attuned to the thor seems to judge the Ameri- mood of the play. Ruth Warnock can style as a "bit of all right," as Lenora gave a delightful exhibition of fine underplaying. Roy Kerr as the daring American beau revealed charm and perswept away by the daring and sonality. Francis Ballard was outimpudent manner of a young standing as the Englishman. Martha Willard as the cockney maid trouped conscientiously.

## Next Carroll Show to Open

#### Christmas Eve

Earl Carroll's next show will be called "The World of Pleasure," and its motif will concern the three seasons in Southern the Chamber of Commerce's dictum that we lack the fourth season, winter, the new extravaganza will present a dramatic portrayal of California night life in spring, summer and fall.

"The World of Pleasure" will open on Christmas Eve.

## Band Will Top Program

Glen Gray and the Casa Loma boasts of several individual art-Orchestra will take over the ists, including "Pee Wee" Hunt Paramount stage Thursday and and Kenny Sargent. "Tower of London" will be the . In "The Tower of London" are

screen fare. Basil Rathbone, Boris Karloff, The Casa Loma Orchestra un- Barbara O'Neill, Ian Hunter, Vinder the direction of Glen Gray cent Price, Nan Grey and John has the distinction of being one Sutton. The story centers about of the most popular of all swing two of the most fascinating charbands. There are 16 music acters in history, who hacked a California. With a casual bow to makers in the organization which bloody path to a throne.

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#### FEATURED IN NEW REVUE

Lela Moore is one of the principals in the second edition of Earl Carroll's presentation which gets under way tomorrow evening. Show is called "The World's Fairest."

## Jose Iturbi to Play Here

Appearing in his double capacity as planist and conductor, Jose Iturbi, Spanish artist, will be featured in Hollywood Bowl Aug. 3 during the 18th season of Symphonies Under the Stars which opens July 11.

Iturbi is the third pianist engaged for the coming season. It will be his fourth visit to the amphitheater. He first appeared there in 1934 shortly after his debut in the United States.

Josef Hofmann, plano virtuoso, will play the opening concert July 11 with Pierre Monteux conducting, and Rudolph Ganz will play and conduct July 20.

#### Hamblen Will Headline Bill

Stuart Hamblen has been booked for a one-week engagement, starting Wednesday, at the Orpheum Theater together with a company of 35 in the "Rubeville Follies."

With Hamblen will be Ezra Buzzington and his original comedy band; Cedric, "The Fire Chief" of Lum and Abner fame; Sylvester Hawkins, Britt Wood, Barney Grant and others.

"Chasing Danger" with Preston Foster and "King of Chinatown" will screen.

#### **Carroll Revue Due**

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## Carroll Revue Due

Sirls in the World," tonight.

pird number thrilled European Rumba Orchestra.

His first Hollywood revue have audiences and who just returned testing Lansing Reed, radio aning completed a six-months run, from engagements in the Orient; nouncer, for the role of a panto-Earl Carroll will present the pre-Leila Moore and her pantomimic miere of his second, "The "Dance of the Lovers;" The World's Fairest," starring Willie Three Swifts, dancing comedand Eugene Howard, and featur-lans; Johnny Wood, the mimic; has warned Reed that should his ing the "Sixty Most Beautiful Wally Dare Wahl, acrobatic com- test prove successful, he will not ie; the Four Hot-Shots, sepia tor- speak a word in the picture, The new revue will be in two nadoes; Three Lovely Ladies and acts and 30 scenes with a cast of their songs; Beryl Wallace, Regi-100. Among the featured acts hald Craig, and two bandswill be Madame Nirska, whose Archie Bleyer and the Mexicali

#### Muted Announcer

Director Edward H. Griffith is mimist in Paramount's "Are Husbands Necessary?" in which Madeleine Carroll and Fred Mac-Murray share honors. Griffith

## Celebrities of Turf Aid Film

The call sheet of Edward Small's production, "King of the Turf," starring Adolphe Menjou, read enough like the schedule of a major horse-racing plant to be mistaken for one found any day at Hollywood Park.

For the picture that opens Thursday at Warner Bros. Hollywood and Downtown theaters, Small and Director Alfred E. Green had hired such famous turf names as Jockey Smoky Saunders and Trainer Paul Mac-Pherson. As the title suggests, the production is one that shows the inner workings of the sport

Saunders is the jockey who rode Omaha to victory in the 1935 Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes. MacPher- of Loy, Taylor son, veteran horse owner, trainer, and authority, is known wherever horse racing is accept-

Featured in the production with Menjou are Dolores Costello, Roger Daniel, Walter Abel comedy co-starring Myrna Loy and Alan Dinehart.

The second feature on Thursday's new bill will be the aviation movie, "Women in the Artists theaters. Adding mystery Wind," featuring Kay Francis, to the bill is the second feature.

## Newsreels Show Missing Flyer

Close-up news photographs were taken of Thomas Smith, jobs. They panhandle 50 cents Los Angeles flyer who is be and start out to conquer the lieved lost in the Atlantic, be-fore he hopped off from Maine in his \$1800 "Baby Clipper." These and the Indianapolis crash films are currently being featured at the Tele-View News Reel Theater at Hollywood and events of the evening was their Vine.

Short subjects augmenting the news bill are "Win, Place and Show," a query into racing and betting at a local park; "Radic Hams," and "Hoagy Carmichael," featuring the composer's "Star Dust" and other songs.

## First Pairing Seen on Screens

Presenting a new screen team, "Lucky Night," the romantic and Robert Taylor, opens today at the Carthay Circle and United "Tell No Tales," with Melvyn Douglas and Louise Platt promi-

"Lucky Night" is the story of an out-of-luck playboy and a run away heiress who meet on a park bench while both are looking for town. After hitting a slot ma chine jackpot, they win an auto mobile, capture a bandit, and marriage.

#### PARADE OF FEMININE BEAUTY FEATURES NEW EARL CARROLL SHOW, 'WORLD'S FAIREST'

Schallert, Edwin

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### PARADE OF FEMININE BEAUTY FEATURES NEW EARL CARROLL SHOW, 'WORLD'S FAIREST'

#### BY EDWIN SCHALLERT and even in Hollywood, which

makes so much of that particular

new revue classifies as a glamour show and moved with a smoothness last night that enabled its critics fairly to estimate its resplendence. "Silver Trees" was worth. The initial entertainment, it may be recalled, of some six months ago had its difficulties in this respect. But the latest astic applause.

display of feminine pulcaritude.

vision of Impresario Carroll dur-

World's Fairest" Earl Carroll's

presentation arrived as a divertissment that may well become an institution-institution, at least, in its cultivation and

#### MODERNISTIC FINALE Numbers of singular beauty

production, even to the modernistic accent evidenced in the finale to the first part, Setting) for this stage event was the theater-cafe of the producer. earlier ensembles, with their flying colors. rococo glitter, yet they symbolize

element, the Carroll selections seem unusually eye-filling. "Parade of the Phimes" had

both distinctive and radiant. The American Bolero was touched with a newer sparkle. The Tom-Tom finale, with the four Hot Shots dancing, evoked enthusi-

#### HOWARDS STAR

Carroll, of course, is putting forth Willie and Eugene Howard as the stars of this show. But the team did not me no stride during the first part. Material was only mildly amusing fies the eye in the numbers in were offered under the super-

Too much satire by Willie ing the two-act, 35-scene stage Howard, rather than straight beyond normal coverage time, it comedy. The take-off on Cham- might be worth noting that later berlain seemed inept. And the "French Lesson" was only fair. Sarong," Tahitian in mood, with "On a Soap Box" showed im-

provement while in the second One views practically a revival part that old reliable "At the of old Ziegfeldian days in the Metropolitan" came through with

While he does a more or less the gorgeous in unmistakable familiar routine Prof. Lamber manner. Feminine beauty is ti, the musician extraordinaire

cored a bang-up success. His ! playing of the xylophone, which an be very facile, always adds in agreeable highlight.

The dancing is highly effective

#### DANCING SCORES

-Ygor and Tanyo doing a sensational number and Nirska evincing remarkable skill in the butterfly dance. These numbers will unquestionably prove out-

standing during the engagement,

The Three Swifts, jugglers, are

also exceedingly good. Susan

Miller and Reginald Craig con-

tribute to the interest with their

songs, while Beryl Wallace grati-

and occasionally on the flat side. which she takes part. \* Though some of the show was numbers included "Song of the Willie and Eugene Howard fig-

uring in the amusing side of the staging, "The Flaming Maraccas" and "A Vision in Radium." · Inner Circle Orchestra, with Archie Bleyer conducting, and the Mexicali Rhumba Band, directed by Edwardo Anguledo.

Spanish Feature

"Maria," Spanish picture starring Lupita Tovar, is playing at the California Theater.

furnished musical accompaniment.

The music and lyrics were written by Dorcas Cochran and Charles Rossoff, outside of special numbers by Nacio Herb Brown, Bleyer, Lew Brown, Matt Malneck and numerous others.

Artists Labor for Night Club

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#### Artists Labor for Night Club

From all corners of the country came the artists called by Earl Carroll to make his Hollywood Theater as decorative as his well-known chorus girls.

A huge painting of Carroll by

Strandanees hangs in the main entrance. At the top of the front foyer stairs is a bronze statue of the perfect American girl as Sculptor Martin I. Deutsch envisioned her. At the rear foyer stairs are two statues created by Willy Pogany.



**HELEN WALKER**—Divides acting honors with Alan Ladd in "Lucky Jordan," due at Paramount theaters Thursday.

#### 'Pasha's Wives' Booked

Starring Viviane Romance, John Lodge and Marcel Dalio, "The Pasha's Wives," described in advance reports as an exotic story of the life and customs of the last Sullan of Turkey, has been booked to open its first Los Angeles engagement Friday at the Esquire Theater.

Produced with an eye for the colorful, "The Pasha's Wives" is said to differ radically from the usual drama and to present its theme in concise and emphatic cinematic terms.

Saturnine Fabre and Mila Parely are in the cast.

#### Literary Bunch

Dorothy Crider, Don Arthur, Britt Landsen and Edward Colebrook, who are seen in key roles of "She Lost It in Campeche" at the Musart Theater, have instituted a book drive backstage at the Pico and Figueroa playhouse, with the objective of sending a case of books and reading material to the armed forces.

## Three Theater Careers **Ended by Tragic Death**

Carroll, Venita Varden and Beryl Wallace Won Renown in 1920, 1930 and 1940 Eras

Deaths of Earl Carroll, Venita Varden and Beryl Wallace in yesterday's air line crash in Pennsylvania rang down the curtain on three careers that achieved theatrical renown in the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s, respectively. Venita

Stage Producer Carroll, 54 who was en route to the Republican National Convention with Miss Wallace (his leading lady) created the Vanities and Sketch book revues which became synchronus with musical companyous with musica onymous with musical comedy pulchritude in the gay post World War I years.

Miss Varden, the former Mrs. Jack Oakie, was a featured Follies beauty with the late Flo Ziegfeld in the early 1930s.

Took Up Television

And Miss Wallace herself, carroll's protegee, reac and Miss Wallace herself, 30, as Carroll's protegee, reached stardom in his Hollywood theater restaurant after he chose her as one of "New York's 10 most beautiful girls" 14 years ago. During the war years she had a soldier-morale radio show and, more recently, was pioneering as a television artist.

They were among 12 percent

They were among 12 persons parding the ill-fated transport boarding the il in Los Angeles.

At Carroll's theater, his business manager, Miss Virginia Lear, declared that the show will continue because "Mr. Carroll wanted it that way." The current revue has been playing for 18 months, she said.

Carroll Up From Ranks

Carroll Up From Ranks
Carroll himself was an up
from-the-ranks stage genius
Born of Irish parents in Pitts
burgh, he left grammar school
when he was 10 to become a
program boy in a local theater.
At 17 he was an assistant treasurer after a round-the-world
voyage during which he worked
his own passage.

Composer or consultor of more

Composer or coauthor of more than 400 songs, Carroll got his first musical prominence as lyricist and song writer of "So Long Letty."

Carroll was married Oct. 25, 1916, to Marcelle Hontabat, a native of France who appeared in some of his shows. Later they were divorced and she died about two years after the final decree had been granted.

had been granted.

After World War I duty as a flyer Carroll became an independent producer in 1919. Four years later he conceived his first Vanities, for which he prepared the book, music and lyrics. This revue was an annual event, running for 13 years until 1936, when Carroll moved his interests to Los Angeles.

#### Unlucky Interlude

Unlucky Interlude
In 1926 the producer had his one unpleasant, unlucky interlude when he paid a \$2000 fine and served four months of a year's sentence in Atlanta Federal Penitentiary after a perjury conviction. He had, he said, "made a misguided gesture of gallantry" in attempting to shield the identity of a showgirl who performed in a muchpublicized "Bathtub Theater Party." Party.

Among Carroll's 60 stage productions were the sensational "White Cargo," and several others which drew censorial scrutiny in the early 1930s in Manhatten hattan.

Several

Carroll motion pic-ude "Murder at the tures include

Vanities," the film in which Miss Wallace appeared in 1934. Thereafter he built his huge theater restaurant in 1938 where he has produced 12 major revues. Miss Wallace starred in most of them. Born in Brooklyn, Miss Wallace had attained success in the stage, in radio and in television. She entered show business at 13 on the New York legitimate stage. In 1934 Carroll chose her for a role in his "Vanities" murder film.

During World War II she con-

for a role in his "Vanities" murder film.

During World War II she conducted a radio show called "Furlough Fun." One of the first musical comedy stars to try television, she was appearing recently in her own show, "The Sky's the Limit."

Miss Wallace, who lived at 6263 Leland Way, leaves her mother, Mrs. Fanny Wallace, two sisters and four brothers.

Third of the theatrical group killed in the crash, Venita Varden, met Jack Oakie when she was in the Ziegfeld Follies of the early 1930s. She was born in Locust Road, Va. They were married during a 15-minute train stop at Yuma in 1936. Two years later the couple separated, but their interlocutory divorce decree was set aside and they were reconciled. reconciled.

#### Oakie Weeps

Jack Oakie Weeps
They finally were divorced in 1945. Then last December it was hinted that the screen comedian and his ex-wife might reunite for the third time, when Miss Varden visited him at his 10-acre Northridge ranch for Christmas. Her home was in New York.

Oakie had planned taking the plane with his former wife but 20th Century-Fox studio asked him to stay in Los Angeles for retakes on his latest picture. He wept yesterday when informed of her death and went into seclusion.

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The other passengers who boarded the ill-fated liner at Los Angeles Airport included:

Nathan Z. Pessin, 53, market executive, of 1911 N Edgemont Drive. Pessin was en route to New York for the United Jewish Welfare convention. A resident of Los Angeles for 25 years, he leaves his widow Anna and two sons, Dr. Harold Pessin and Archie Pessin.

he leaves his widow Anna and two sons, Dr. Harold Pessin and Archie Pessin.

Tom S. Gallagher, 26, a roomer at 971 S Magnolia Ave. Gallagher, a former serviceman, worked in a Los Angeles warehouse and was en route east to see his brothers, believed to live near Newark, N.Y.

#### Puppeteer on Board

Ruppeteer on Board

Remo Bufano, actor and puppeteer, arrived here Sunday from
New York to make a commercial
television short subject for a
New York advertising agency
using Universal studio equipment. He is believed to be a relative of Benny Bufano, San
Francisco sculptor, and was en
route home.

Francisco scurper, route home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harries of Boyertown, Pa. Harries, president of the Flight Safety Inc., Philadelphia, was in Los Angeles to confer with plane manufactors.

to confer with plane manufacturers. William Cosmore, postal clerk, of 14 Ave A, New York City. Y. Lecorre, New York City, who arrived here Wednesday night by plane.
R. B. Stewart and L. Dieringer, both of 155 E 44th St., New York City, who had been guests of the California Club for two nights

#### THEATER'S PHASE 1 IS COMPLETED

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Earl Carroll chorines of yesteryear are reminders of what it was like when Carroll first opened his theater restaurant in 1938.

## THEATER'S PHASE 1 IS COMPLETED

By JOHN C. MAHONEY

just love old buildings," says producer Martin Tahse, who completes Phase 1 of his revitalization of the former Earl Carroll Theater Restaurant with the opening Sunday of Gretchen Cryer in "I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking It on the Road" in the theater's new Cabaret at the Aquarius.

Four other bidders for the property had a wrecking ball at one hand, high-rise blueprints at the other. Tahse has visions of a multiple theater complex whose risks can be cushioned by revenues from two restaurants and 11/2 acres of parking, a complex he envisions as an important part of an emerging new

central theater district in Hollywood.

Plans for a similar dream went down with entrepreneur Carroll when he died in an airplane crash in 1948, 10 years after he opened the theater which housed his lavish revues.

Carroll planned to build the world's largest theater with 7,000 seats, three revolving stages and subterranean parking facilities, a cabaret theater, a motion picture theater, executive offices, a heliport and complete television production studios.

The plan was probably both premature and too late for Carroll. The heyday of his theater had already passed its wartime boom peak, its patrons retreating to the suburbs and TV. A year later, the theater closed, a white elephant passing through many hands.

Standing in the debris of 44 years and half a dozen managements last week, Tahse did not look like a man Please see THEATER, Page 5



Martin Tahse is moving forward with his revitalization of old Carroll theater with opening of the new Cabaret at the Aquarius.

## THEATER PROJECT

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who could be opening a production this coming Sunday.

"No problem," Tabse shouted, "Gordon B. Kaufman built this entire building in just 73 days. It's solid as a rock. We could slid two more stories." At 52, Tabse is one of those slight, perennially youthful enthusiasts that the theater breeds.

He has torn out the slope of overlaid flooring and the 1,000 conventional theater that which producer Michael Butler had installed in the theater for the 1968 production of "Hair," revealing the broad curves of Carroll's six original tiered terraces. Newly carpeted, they will seat 600 patrons at tables in new high-backed chairs. Tahse had experimented with canvas-backed director's chairs, "but they took up too much room and made people slouch inattentively."

All of the original neon stripping and framing from Alexis de Sakhnoffsky's "streamlined interior design" is being restored. The dull institutional paint job in the lobby is being replaced with gray, maroon and white Art Deco wallpaper.

Tahse runs upstairs to the offices of Martin Tahse Productions just above the statue of the Goddess of Light. It is the one fully completed area in the theater, a luxurious suite of offices lined with television and film festival awards (he has produced 22 ABC-TV "After-School Specials") and posters of his touring company hits.

He finds a flashlight for the subterranean portion of the tour. First stop, the original basement kitchen at the front of the building, an excellent space for an atmospheric below-ground restaurant.

There will be a second restaurant at the rear of the theater. Tahse insists that the menu and price range of the two differ enough to offer his patrons a real choice.

An early riser, he holds a special hope for the backstage restaurant. "There has to be some place where we can get a good breakfast around here," he says.

The basement beneath the mammoth stage shows no cracks in the concrete, no water marks. The 2x6 wheel of beams supporting the 90-foot circumference double-revolving stage turntables are still pristine.

The first 25 feet of the stage will be apportioned to the Cabaret Theater. A 350-seat Backstage Theater will take up the remaining stage area. Here Tahse plans to present Off-Broadway plays and musicals—he mentions "Pump Boys and Dinettes," and "Cloud Nine." On Monday nights, he plans one-nighters with such musical talents as Barbara Cook and workshop development of new works. He will also present his Prince Street Players children's theater productions. When the two theaters and two restaurants are operating (projected for mid-1983), Tahse will rededicate the complex as the Earl Carroll Theater.

At that time, he'll reinstall the 100-pound autograph blocks signed by such patrons of the old theater as Ingrid Bergman and Cary Grant. The 60 surviving plaques are currently stored in the basement of Milt Larsen's Variety Arts Center downtown. They were torn from the building during its life as a discotheque in the mid-

Tahse stops at the main lighting switchboard backstage. He points to an isolated switch marked "Secret Room" and jiggles the switch.

"We've never been able to find that secret room, but I wonder if the light is going on in there right now," says: Tahse. Only Earl Carroll, the legendary "Body Merchant," might know for sure.

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THEATRE RESTAURANT MONDAY NIGHT EARL CARROLL Phetents HIS Greatest Revue 2 Acts ··· 30 Principals BROADWAY & HOLLYWO Ame of NOBLE'S MUSIC 

The opening of Earl Carroll's Theater-Restaurant on Sunset capped a decade of frantic nightlife in the cinema capital.



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Cubanola, on LaBrea near Beverly, the Hollywood Rollerbowl, the Swanee Inn on LaBrea, Brittingham's Radio City Restaurant, Marcel Lamaze Restaurant on the site of the old Club Seville, Westwood Tropical Ice Gardens, and ad infinitum. As Hollywood was winding up another year, two clubs had plans to open simultaneously at the lucrative end-ofthe-year session. Florentine Gardens and Earl Carroll's capped another banner year for cinema nightlife.

The superlatives that gushed over the opening of Broadway producer Earl Carroll's theater-restaurant on Sunset near Vine on December 26 were no idle chatter. The showman in the Ziegfeld tradition had conceived and built a nightclub of which even Hollywood had not conceived. On a tract of land strategically placed in the most active part of town, Carroll engaged architect Gordon Kaufman to build an auditorium capable of seating one thousand people in luxurious comfort. The result was a spectacular showplace that rivaled every nightclub in the world.

The decorative medium Carroll chose was an expansive system of lighting. The centerpiece of the system was a gilded, streamlined statue in the foyer, from which a fifty-foot neon tube wound its way to the black patent leather ceiling. From there, 6,200 feet of blue and gold neon tubes formed a luminous fringe undulating in graceful curves across the main floor, and ending in thirty-foot columns of light flanking the stage. The





stage itself was an eighty-foot doublerevolving affair with an elevator. The east wall of the auditorium was covered in mock Australian oriental wood wallpaper shipped from England on the Normandie. The west wall was draped in green satin. Deep rose carpets covering the foyer and the six terraces in the main room were complemented by chairs and table settings of a lighter shade of pink. The bar in the foyer was hemmed by columns of glass tubes, backlit in soft hues. The grand staircase, the top of which was surmounted by the world's largest etched glass panel entitled Young Ladies Aspiring for Stardom, led to smoking rooms above. Flanking the glass mural were two female statues designed by Willy Pogany. The ladies' room was lined in soft peach lamb's wool, the dressing tables and chairs were upholstered in handwoven fabric in pastels, light green and cafe au lait, and the carpet, also handwoven, was colored dubonnet. The men's smoking room was finished in brown cork. The exterior of the building, edged in neon, supported a twenty-fourfoot "painting in neon" of a woman's profile; a halo inscribed with "Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world" skirted the portrait. On the adjoining outside wall, Carroll initiated the tradition of hanging concrete blocks inscribed with celebrities' autographs.

For the investors and members of the inner circle, a \$1,000 membership fee guaranteed a lifetime cover charge and a reserved seat. The opening night celebra-

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Opposite. Earl Carroll's interior reached a pluteau of extravagance with patent leather ceilings, saits walls, and 6,200 feet of neon

Above, Robert Taylor surveying Earl Carroll's opening-night pageant of bestates. tion drew the cream of the Los Angeles and Hollywood social sets. First-nighters included Clark Gable and Carole Lombard, Marlene Dietrich, Tyrone Power, Sonja Henie, Bob Hope, Betty Grable, Jack Benny, Claudette Colbert, Robert Taylor, Constance Bennett, Daryl Zanuck, Jackie Coogan, Franchot Tone, Errol Flynn, David Selznick, Louis B. Mayer, Dolores Del Rio, Edgar Bergen, Jack Warner, W. C. Fields, Don Ameche, Walter Pidgeon, and dozens more. Klieg lights lit up the skies, and traffic along Sunset was jammed for more than two blocks. Fans thronged the entrance as limousine after limousine deposited Hollywood's finest. Inside, dinner was courtesy of Felix Ganio, late of the Trocadero, Vendome, and Waldorf-Astoria.

Ray Noble's orchestra provided the music for the stage revue, which opened with a skit entitled "Talent is What the Public Wants." Master of ceremonies Paul Gerrits introduced tableau after spectacular tableau. "The Blue Danube," "Candlelight," and "Tyrolean" numbers heaped a lavish helping of Carroll flair to a delighted audience. The sixty gorgeous showgirls in the cast flirted and bantered with the crowd in their nearly nude costumes, and managed to get Bob Hope, Jack Benny, Jimmy Durante, Errol Flynn, Milton Berle, Joe E. Brown, Walter Pidgeon, Don Ameche, Robert Taylor, and W. C. Fields on stage for a lively game of patty-cake. The finale, a sexy and saucy "Can-Can" ensemble, closed the evening to deafening applause. Carroll's



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Opposite. The spening-sight ad for Florening Gardens havelided the club's amicing array of femines. unequivocal success insured him a permanent place in the Hollywood spectrum, and his showplace became the crowning jewel of nighttime diversion.

Florentine Gardens, a few short blocks. away, bowed to a similar audience of well-wishers on December 28. Another massive structure holding 1,000 people. Guido Braccini's enterprise was geared to catch the business that Earl Carroll's turned away, and a six-course dinner priced at one dollar filled the place for dining and dancing. For the celebs who attended opening night, it was a brilliant affair featuring the Fanchon and Marco floor show and Emil Baffa's orchestra. The powder blue and gold furnishings were set against an interior suggesting an open-air garden, and the exterior, though described at the time as modern, was somewhat classical in its lines, with a bit of Hollywood Regency panache thrown in. Though its advertisements lauded it as an exotic setting of ancient Florence. the Gardens were hard-pressed to come up to the standards of Earl Carroll's intense display of luxury.

In time, Braccini's name was replaced by the initials N. T. G., which stood for Nils Thor Granlund, who took over the reins of the place after successfully running several big-time nightspots in New York. The sedate program was enhanced with glamour gals in the chorus line who revealed a bit more flesh than Braccini was used to, and customers lined up seven days a week to ogle and participate in the sophisticated stage show Granlund

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Maria Montez mukes a dramatic Mocambo entrance

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charged room of celebrities, the fights were inevitable. Errol Flynn, in one famous altercation, slugged Jimmy Fiddler, who had slurred him, and promptly got a fork in the ear from the columnist's wife.

Parties were another extravagance that Mocambo easily accommodated. Oil heiress Elinore Machris gave a \$30,000 party to announce her remarriage, only to be topped by Lana Turner, who gave a \$40,000 birthday party for her husband.

Andre was lured away from "21" in New York as maitre 'd. Phil Ohman, long a fixture at the Trocadero, was the house bandleader, and August Roche, a twentyyear veteran of continental cooking, presented the pampered stars with culinary treats. Mocambo, as fan-magazine reporter Lloyd Pantages observed, "... is a place in Hollywood which looks like Hollywood-magnificent, luxurious, exotic and unique." With the opening of Mocambo, the last great heyday of Hollywood nightclubbing was in full swing. Together with Romanoff's, Ciro's, the Cocoanut Grove, the Palladium, and Earl Carroll's, the pace for the rest of the '40s was set. With the exception of the bigger draws like the Palladium and Earl Carroll's, most clubs of the decade tended toward the intimate and refined, dismissing the loud bands and the novelties of the 1930s. Subdued and sophisticated were the call words.

There was a surplus of lesser draws amidst the stellar accomplishments along the strip and in the exclusive Beverly

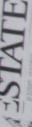


replenished by the time New Year's rolled around.

The huge influx of servicemen and war workers to California's Southland provided Hollywood with a massive patronage never seen before. Barring blackouts and gas rationing, swingshifters flocked to Earl Carroll's, where specially priced shows catered to the late-night workers The newcomers jammed the dance spots from the Zenda Ballroom downtown to Casino Gardens in Ocean Park. In most places, servicemen were admitted at a discount; and some establishments even eliminated the tariff for men in uniform. By October of 1942, the Hollywood community, headed by Bette Davis and John Garfield, had organized studio heads, unions, and guilds into creating an enlisted serviceman's center staffed by Hollywood's finest. Bolstered with funds donated by Ciro's and Columbia Studios after the premiere of Talk of the Town. the committee leased the property of a former night-joint known as The Barn, at 1451 Cahuenga near Sunset. The various guilds donated their talent and materials to renovate the structure into the Hollywood Canteen. Studio artists and cartoonists decorated the walls. Cary Grant donated a piano, Jack Warner provided linoleum, and countless hours of work by studio plumbers, electricians. and carpenters transformed the dusty structure into a cozy, Western-themed nightclub. On opening night, October 3, stars paid \$100 a seat to watch the festivities and the parade of servicemen who



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Above. The Hollywood Canteen on Cahuenga near Sunset.

Left. Fans gather to watch the stars arrive for duty at the Canteen.

Opposite. Ginger Rogers and Fred MacMurray cheerily sign autographs for Canteen servicemen.



forms in the world"-an obvious borrowing from Earl Carroll's famed motto. Inside, the talk of war was discouraged. Kay Kyser, Rudy Vallee, and Duke Ellington played for dancers, and everything was on the house. Carole Landis, Loretta Young, Irene Dunne, Marlene Dietrich, Joan Crawford, and Rita Hayworth were but a few of the hostesses. who danced with the boys in uniform. Male stars bussed dishes, and even mothers of the stars took turns serving coffee and sandwiches and washing dishes. The dance floor, however, was where the action was. Betty Grable was clocked dancing with 42 men in eight minutes. Autographs were liberally handed out, and, for the duration, the Hollywood Canteen was the hottest spot in town for anybody involved in the military service. The obvious advantages of the Can-

crammed the hall. After opening speeches by Bette and John, and the banter of Abbott and Costello, sailors, soldiers, and marines jostled through the entrance, above which was inscribed "Through these portals pass the most beautiful uni-

teen guaranteed it a full house every night, from its 6 P.M. opening to its midnight closing. The weekly food bill averaged \$3,000, and nightly attendance reached 1,200 men per shift. Within six months, 125 name bands had played over five hundred hours of dance music. Over six hundred top stars had entertained on stage, and the seemingly endless appetites of the guests consumed fifty thousand pieces of cake, six thousand gallons

218 AMERICA'S FINEST OR CHESTRAS THUR FRI CLE VER GID His Orchestra and Entire Company Above, Casa Manana, where Frank OPENS TUES., JULY 9th Sebastian's Cotton Club once held forth. hopped to name bands during Hollywood's Opposite above. A surprised Rua Hayworth dines with manager Bo Roux at LaRue Opposite below. Slapsy Masse's capitalized on maybem in its original location at 7165 Reverls Bonlevard and its later locale at the old Withhirt Rout.

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perfectly suited a grown-up Hollywood

By 1945, with the war's ending imminent, Hollywood and its social scene were on the verge of dramatic changes that would alter forever the business of motion pictures and the equally serious business of nightclub entertainment. True, Mocambo, Ciro's, Earl Carroll's, and the Cocoanut Grove were packed. A booth at the Brown Derby might take connections, but the changing structure of the studio system and the even more threatening specter of a new mediumtelevision-were slowly entering a scene that had undergone a drastic upheaval. With a world war under its belt, and studio pressure absent from a star's personal life, sometimes it was easier to stay home and socialize with an intimate group of friends rather than make the rounds of nitespots. Another evident change was a shift in taste from the highly visible clubs loaded with photographers to smaller, more intimate quarters designed to insulate rather than exploit a star's presence. It was a trend that had been developing slowly over the previous decade.

Yet another factor in the decline of nightlife was the presence of a reform mayor in City Hall, who took a tough stance against crime syndicates in the city and flushed out most of the gambling activity, transferring it, and the money it procured, to the small Nevada desert town of Las Vegas. The big-name talent that had appeared in Hollywood for going rates was suddenly given the opportunity to perform in Vegas casinos at unheard-of

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prices, which the gambling emporiums could easily afford to pay. Local clubs didn't stand a chance when faced with those odds. For the dance halls, the height of the Big Band era had reached its zenith in the mid-'40s, and by the end of the decade it, too, would be the victim of changing tastes, emptying the large ball-rooms once filled with dancers.

The process of Hollywood's nightclub demise was a gradual one, but clearly VI Day marked the beginning of the end. Just as the movies continued to make record-breaking attendance through 1946, Ciro's and Mocambo, the two most popular spots, also managed to pack in the crowds, something they would accomplish for several more years. When Earl Carroll died in a plane crash in 1948, his theater on Sunset closed, ending that type of big dinner show in Hollywood forever. Attendance at other nightclubs slowly dropped off, and in a short time it seemed that hardly anyone was doing the town. An occasional party might light the glow of former times, but the energy just didn't seem to be there.

Hollywood's golden era was laid to rest with the McCarthy era. But the years since its birth had been a roller-coaster ride of fantastic proportions. The night-club era saw the greatest talent in the world on display nightly for more than thirty years. The magic sensation of stars on parade at night stirred the imaginations of millions of fans who never tired of seeing their favorite stars in glamorous trappings they themselves would





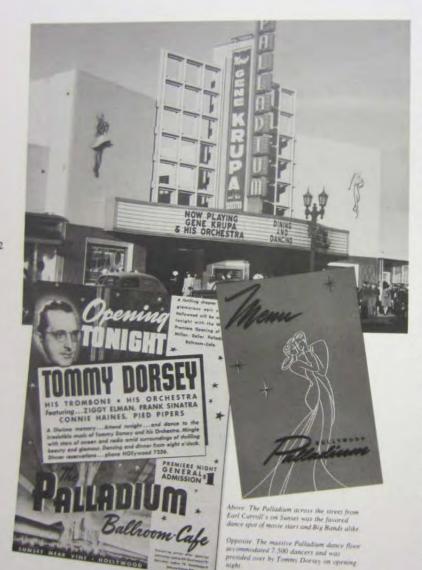


Wizard of Oz. Ninotchka, Stagecoach, Goodbye Mr. Chips, and Young Mr. Lincoln. The town was loaded with tourists taking a peek at the myth they'd heard so much about, while newcomers flooded in at a steady rate, hoping to somehow repeat the Cinderella fable that had endured the passing decades.

The trades and gossip columns for the first of the year reported: the best-dressed gal at Earl Carroll's was Judith Garrett in a gown of white marquisette, décolleté bodice pleated and outlined in a shallow ruffle of net with sequins and silver sandals . . . The 400 Peanut Vendors, an organization of celebs who pined for a private night without the gaze of fans, were meeting at La Conga every Sunday night for a complimentary buffet and a night of rhumba-ing sponsored by twelve film personalities (opening night featured a real-life goober vendor roasting nuts at the door) . . . Marcel Lamaze opened his own place on the Strip and The Vendome closed its doors, reopening as Ruby Foo's, where dishes previewed for big name guests became the menu . . . Olivia DeHaviland hosted a dinner for the commanding officers of the San Pedro and San Diego naval bases at Victor Hugo's, and Harry Sugarman of Beverly Hills Tropics conquered new territory by opening a branch on Vine Street and turning over half the opening night's proceeds to the L.A. Coordinating Committee for German Refugees. And so it went for much of the year.

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once inside, no one was disappointed by the promise of the descriptions. The creation of Frank Don Riha, who was also the decorator of Earl Carroll's across the street, the ballroom was the ultimate in sophistication, with a kidney-shaped dance floor designed to conform with the dancers' circular rotation and cushioned with cork to alleviate fatigue. The balcony overlooking the entire ballroom was reached by wide, sweeping staircases flanked by stylized dancing fems symbolizing the spirit of dance and gaiety. Those entering from the porte cochere wound their way through halls faced with redwood boards in a perforated grille pattern lit from behind. Next came a bar and circular cocktail room with a redwood dome of fifty feet in diameter. The cavernous ballroom proper had 12,000 square feet of dancing area to accommodate 7,500 dancers and 1,000 diners. The color scheme was silver and pearly gray, accented by coral; and on either side of the stage two immense lucite panels etched with feminine beauties stood at attention. The college under-age crowd could belly-up to a 200-foot-long milk bar finished in emerald. Riha's specially created "Color Symphonies" lighting syncopated in harmony with the dance music, drifting from shadows of blue and orchid for waltzes to Sangre de boeuf for sensuous rhumbas.

Tommy Dorsey, on his trombone, blew the first blast to be heard in the Palladium at 8:30 P.M., and at 9:45 Dorothy Lamour, alongside Dorsey, cut a ribbon



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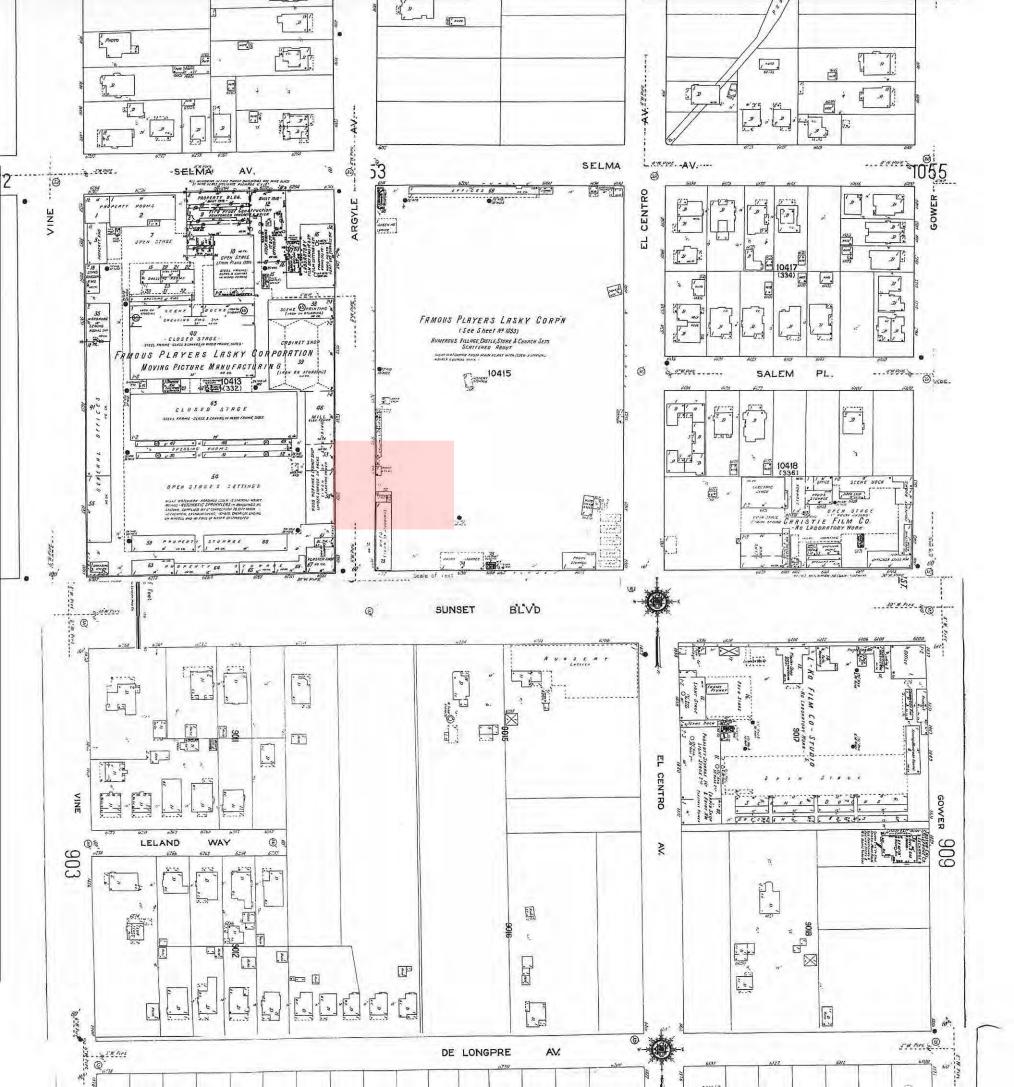
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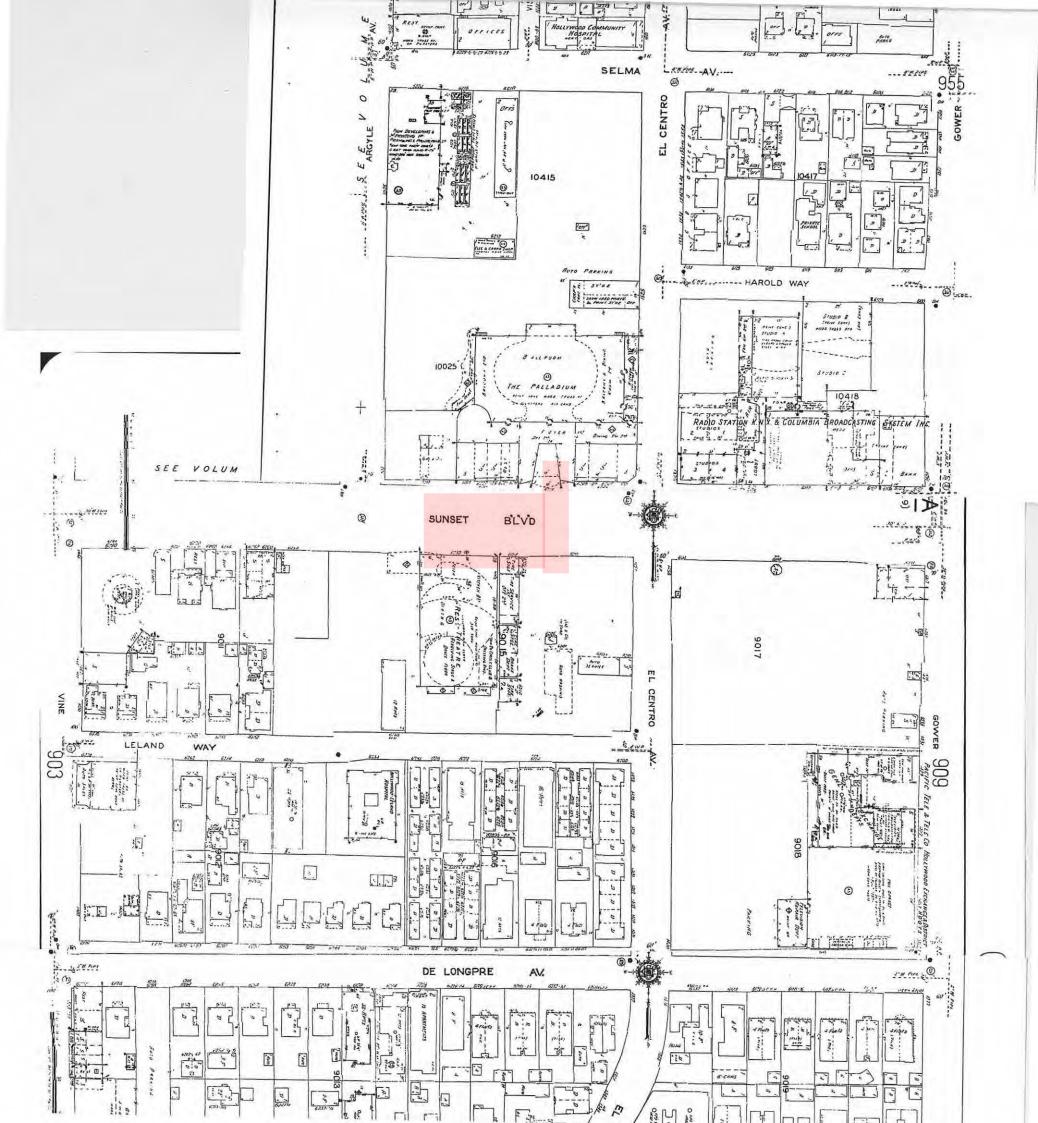
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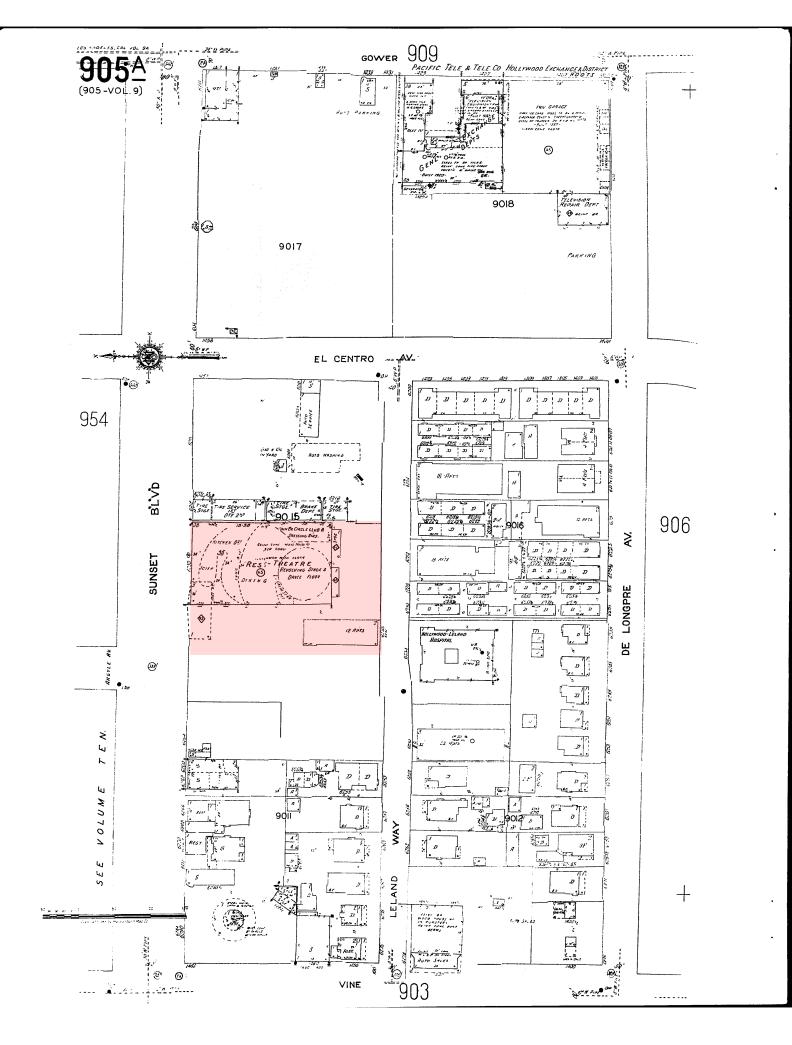
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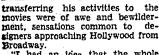
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### BY MARGARET REID

"A good design is a good design any way you look at it, and even when you look at it through the lens of a motion-picture camera," according to Willy Pogany, internationally famous artist now designing sets for the discriminating Samuel Goldwen.

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Broadway.

"I had an idea that the whole thing was whipped in mystery, that the machinations of devising movies were esoteric and remarkable. But I found out that it is basically simple—you are given a story, you plan and draw sets to the best of your ability, and nothing more mysterious than a good design is asked of you."

mysterious than a good design is asked of you."

Pogany—volatile Hungarian, still thickly accented, with ragged gray hair, keen eyes, and black cigar perpetually being removed to facilitate delighted laughter—is known throughout the world for divers number of things. In New York, his services are in constant demand. mand. PLUNGES TO PORTRAITS

### "I've been doing everything from

swimming pools to portraits. modern designer is never quite clear on just what his vocation is." In the past season, he has turned

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cut, among other things, the \$1,000.000 swimming pool in Brooklyn's new St. George's Hotel, the decorations of a new apartment building on Central Park, West, murals for a Manhattan children's hospital.

"Hollywood is a paradise of peace. Even before I came out here I had to leave New York—just ran away, up the Hudson, trying to escape telephones. I abominate them above all things in life, and in New York my phones were never quiet—every minute someone calling up for this or for that. I figured that the 25-cent toll to Nyack, where I fied, would check some of that."

Originally, by training and intent, Pogany was a portrait painter, turned to illustrating because the muse had not diminished his healthy Hungarian appetite. Becoming interested in the several ramifications of art, he studied architecture, practical design, stage settings. He has illustrated more books than he can remember, among them many volumes of fairy tales, wherein his imagination ran unleashed; has painted countless portraits, and murals, designed tales, wherein his imagination ran unleashed; has painted countless portraits, and murals, designed countless stage sets, building interiors and exteriors, as well as the innumerable details of modern decor. He came to America in

"I had gone from Paris to London for a few weeks, preparatory to coming to America. I stayed ten years—until the war dislodged me."

In America, his work has oc-

In America, his work has occasioned steadily increasing esteem. He is a fully equipped artist, fitting efficiently into the peculiar niche he occupies. Samuel Goldwyn, cognizant of what value to the screen this background would be, signed him four months ago. He has already designed the settings for "The Unholy Garden," "Palmy Days" and erronight or Neyer." Tonight or Never." THEATER DROVE HIM MAD

"A picture studio is marvelous fun. The facilities are wonderful—I have everything I could possibly need at my command. And in Richard Day I have a very fine and capable co-designer. Best of all, a designer has practically free rein—rather different to the theater, which I left six years ago because the interference was driving me mad. Of course, being appallingly green here, now and then I advance some crazy idea they just laugh at. But I'm learning constantly—why some of my insane notions won't (Continued on Page 18, Column 3)



Willy Pogany

Hustrator, painter, sculptor, architect and theater designer, lured to Hollywood by Samuel Goldwyn. Above, one of the first sets Pogany designed for Ronald Colman's adventure story, "The Unholy Garden," the tale of a crime colony in the Algerian desert. Below, his design for a set in the futuristic doughnut factory of "Palmy Days."

### POGANY PICKS OUT PARADISE

(Continued from Ninth Page)

work and what substitute I must plan.

"One surprising difficulty is adjustment to the realism of your materials and results. In the theater you employ certain tricks to give a certain illusion of reality—but here, the real thing is possible. For instance, I had devised, for the stage, a method of giving the effect of a river and buildings on the far bank, using such limited implements as can be placed on a stage. Whereas here, to do the same thing, I had to throw out every plan of before because I was working with real water.

"I love it: I'm more content than I've ever been in my life. The latitude is tremendous, stimulating to the imagination, a designer's dream."

He also loves Hollywood itself, in spite of its architecture which he finds, however, "imaginative." He can rest here—so he says. Yet, in his restless spare moments he is painting portraits of Gloria Swanson, of Mervyn LeRoy and is designing a mammoth monument for the entrance of the Olympic Stadium.

"That is to be, I hope, something very different. I want it to be the epitome of all sports, all feeling for sports. I like doing it—I was a good sportsman myself, but, of course, that was before I smoked strong vigars and got short-winded and fat."

His contract with Goldwyn is for a year. As far as Pogany is concerned, it can continue forever, "Spirit of Olympiad" Model Finished: MONUMENT FOR GAMES ON DISPLAY ...

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## "Spirit of Olympiad" Model Finished MONUMENT



Sculptured Prow Designed for Pool at Stadium

## FOR GAMES ON DISPLAY

Design by Willy Pogany at Ebell Club Carries Out Greek Theme in Concrete

### BY ARTHUR MILLIER

Planned to stand in a pool the Figueroa-street approach to the Olympic Stadium an impressive

sculptural mod-el, "Spirit of of Olympiad, the has has just been completed by Willy Pogany, international ly amous artist illustrator are motion and motion - picture art director, u.. living now 6392 Bryn Mawr Drive, Holly-Drive, Holly-wood. The mod-el is being shown for the first time at the Ebell Club.



Ebell Club.

The monument is ninety feet wide and thirty feet high, and has something the form of a ship's prow, the sides of which are composed each of four separate stepback units or pylons on the fronts of which are gigantic figures of athletes engaged in sports included in the Olympic contests, while above the central mass towers a winged bronze figure of Victory holding aloft the traditional wreath. On the face of the central mass is a bronze plaque to contain a dedication and the names of possible donors.

The interior of the "prow" is equally interesting, its relief signifying the friendly competitive spirit between the various nations' athletes.

letes. Pogany letes.

Pogany designed the entire monument except the figure of Victory to be executed in molded concrete. The idea of the ship-like form as a pedestal for the goddess was suggested to him, he says, by the movement of the famed Winged Victory.

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The use of this prow form, combined with the step-back pylons, gives
a very original quality to the monument and adds richness to the
figures of athletes, each one of
which becomes a "carystid," as the
Greeks called those figures which
supported architecture on their
heads. Placing the monument in a
pool, each pylon has an individual
reflection. The whole monument is
designed to be framed by the main
arch of the Stadium behind it.
Pogany has worked about six
months on his conception, assisted
by J. Victor Mackay, architect, and
Stephen Gaal, sculptor.

### ENSENADA CRUISE TO BE MADE THIS WEEK

On the first Mexican cruise of 1932, Ensenada, Lower California's picturesque seaport, will be visited by excursionists over the coming week-end, according to R. B. Schutten, assistant general passenger agent of the Pacific Steamship Company, Sailing from Los Angeles Harbor at 7 p.m. Friday, the Ruth Alexander. Admiral liner, will artive at Ensenada early Saturday afternoon. The vessel will return at 4 p.m. Sunday, During the entire voyage the liner will be the home of the excursionists. Mayor Zarate of Ensenada heads a group of Mexican officials planning a festive welcome.

### BOATHOUSE PLANS APPROVED

Plans and specifications of a new boathouse which is to be construct-ed on a new location in the lake in Echo Park have been approved by the Park Board.

### **UPS AND DOWNS**

Pogany, Willy

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### WORDS TO LIVE BY



ILLUSTRATOR POGANY: "I happen to be of an impulsive nature"

## UPS AND DOWNS

by Willy Pogany

"Bear shame and glory with an equal peace and an ever tranquil heart."

— BHAGAVAD-GITA

THESE words from the Sacred Book of the Hindus have always had a special appeal for me, as I happen to be of a temperamental and impulsive nature.

To accept success or disappointment with serene detachment is the stoic philosophy that

I have tried to live by. I have tried to remain calm in times of great adversity; and to keep a level head if some good fortune should happen to come my way.

This brief quotation has carried with it wisdom which helps in meeting both the ups and the downs of life. However, there are two exceptions that have existed through the ages: as I soon found out, all philosophy is useless against love or toothache — and one's life is so full of both.

Willy Pogany, Famed Artist, Dies at 72 in N.Y. Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); Jul 31, 1955; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990) pg. 8

## Willy Pogany, Famed Artist, Dies at 72 in N.Y.

-NEW YORK, July 30 @ - productions, including sever-Willy Pogany, 72, self-taught al for the Metropolitan Opera, Hungarian-born artist and il- some of the Ziegfeld Follies lustrator, died today in his and Earl Carroll's Vanities. studio at 1 West 67th St. In the film field, he served

Pogany's illustrations of as an art director for Sam such books as "The Arabian Goldwyn. Nights." "Alice in Wonder-

land" and "The Ancient Mariner" were familiar to a generation of children.

### Opera Designer

than 150 books, many of Fiorello H. LaGuardia. them children's editions of famous classics.

signed more than 100 stage while working on a railroad

Painted Famous

Among the celebrities who sat for Pogany portraits were Douglas Fairbanks Sr., John Barrymore, Enrico Caruso and In all, he illustrated more former New York Mayor

Pogany was born in Szeged, Hungary, and studied me-Pogany did many murals chanical engineering in Budain public buildings, and de-pest. One summer vacation

he decided to make art his career.

He went to an art schoolfor six weeks, but quit ande struck out for himself. Within a few years he had made. a wide reputation in Paris and London.

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Subjects

William "Willy" A. Pogány, born in Szeged, Hungary, in 1882, studied at Budapest Technical University and in Munich and Paris. His reputation as a muralist, painter and illustrator was well established in Paris, London and Munich before

arriving in the United States in 1915, at the age of thirty-three. Skilled in an unusually wide range of media, he had won

gold medala at exhibitions in Budapest, Leipzig, and at the Panama Pacific International Exhibition.

Among Pogany's many murals are those for the Heckscher Children's Theatre in New York City and the Miagara Falls Power Station. As a painter he did portraits of famous people in all walks of life. An expert on scenery design and lighting effects, Pogány also designed sets for ballets and operas, including "Le Coq d'Or," and for many films, such as Modarn Times for Charlie Chaplin as well as animated cartoons based on his children's books.

Among his other artistic endeavors Pogány was an accomplished book Illustrator. It was this phase of his career, especially as an illustrator of children's books, which gives this collection special relevance for Special Collections & University Archives at the University of Oregon Libraries. Pogány designed and illustrated more than 150 books. His illustrations include those for the Rubaiyat and the Sonnets from the Portuguese, The Song Celestial, The Adventures of Odysseus, Gulliver's Travels, and many others, both classic and original.

Working tirelessly right up until the end, Willy Pogány died in 1955. He is survived by his accord wife, Elsine Pogány, a children's book writer, and his son, Peter Pogány Scott.

### Content Description +1-

The Willy Pogány Papers consist of the following series; correspondence, illustrations, and memorabilia and miscellaneous.

Business letters to Pogány have been arranged chronologically. Of interest to the researcher is the series of letters written by Pogány to his son, Peter Pogány Scott, which span the years 1931 to 1955, the year of his death. These contain many glimpses of the artist's busy life and philosophical remarks on the contemporary American world view.

The largest segment of the Fogány Papers is the illustrations. Willy Pogány worked in a variety of media which are only partially represented in this collection. Many original illustrations for books and for the American Weekly supplement to the Hearst newspapers are represented both in final form and in eketches, using pencil, charcoal, ink, watercolor, gouache, and oils. Of note is the illustration of Don Quixote being visited by demons of his madness, and extraordinary watercolor and perhaps on of Pogány's finest efforts (folder 40). Original artwork for books, magazines and motion pictures/stage productions is arranged alphabetically by title within each series. The remainder of the arranged alphabetically by title within each series. The remainder of the arranged alphabetically by title within each series. etchings for two titles and unidentified original works, randomly grouped by media and/or general subject matter where possible. A few tearsheets and miscellaneous photographs complete the collection.

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trick has probably been turned with the greatest economy possible in a minor item called "A Night at Earl Carroll's," which arrived yesterday at Loew's Criterion.

You'd never dream it could be so simple. For here we are frankly shown that all one needs in the way of a plot is a prefatory feud between a fictitious mayor of Hollywood and a

in the way of a plot is a prefatory feud between a fictitious mayor of Hollywood and a desperate local gangster. The mayor is entertaining a large company of fellow mayors at Mr. Carroll's celebrated night club when the gangster, just to embarrass His Honor, kidnaps the principals out of the floor show. See—an immediate, critical dilemma. And the rest of the picture is then devoted to the heroic way in which the club's press agent and the head hostess (Ken Murray and Rose Hobart) pitch in and knock together a quick show out of nothing more than the orchestra, the show girls, the chorus, themselves, an overlooked dancer, a singing cigarette girl and a couple of obliging customers.

Thus the day—or rather, the night—is saved, but how about the picture? Well, as floor shows go, it's fair enough, with plenty of beautiful girls, fetchingly underclad; a couple of fair musical numbers sung and danced dutifully, Ken Murray flipping old wisecracks with a slightly apologetic air and a brace of harridans known as Brenda and Cobina cackling and screeching at one another witlessly. But that's all it is—just a floor show. Is any one interested?

Incidentally, Mr. Carroll himself appears only briefly at the beginning and the end. The rest of the time, he is conveniently kidnapped.

A NIGHT AT EARL CARROLL'S, original story and screen play by Lynn Starling; directed by Kurt Neumann; produced by Earl Carroll for Paramount. At Loew's Criterion.

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Cobina Gusher . . . . Elvia Allman
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Goldstein, Patrick. Los Angeles Times [Los Angeles, Calif] 31 July 2009: D.9.

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With Phil Spector serving as musical director -- and, according to Priore, one of the film's financiers — we get to see rock, soul, country, pop and folk artists all in one place at one time, surrounded by an audience of screaming girls.

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CORRECTION: SEE CORRECTION APPENDED; 'The Big T.N.T. Show': The Big Picture column in Friday's Calendar section about a screening of "The Big T.N.T. Show" said the film was shot in 1965 at the Moulin Rouge, a club that was at the corner of Sunset and Vine. The club was on Sunset near Vine, but not on the corner. The column also referred to the locale as being on the Sunset Strip, which it wasn't.

If you hang around die-hard music fans long enough you end up hearing them extol the virtues of a few key cult films that capture the heyday of L.A.'s 1960s music explosion.

One of the most difficult movies to find (still not being available on DVD) is "The Big T. N.T. Show," filmed in November 1965 at the Moulin Rouge, a club at the corner of Sunset and Vine that opened in 1938 as the Earl Carroll Theater. Soon after the "T. N.T. Show " filming, the club re-emerged as the Hullabaloo, which was briefly the most prestigious club to play on the Sunset Strip, showcasing such artists as the Buffalo Springfield, the Yardbirds, the Marnas and the Papas, Richard Pryor, the Electric Prunes and Paul Revere and the Raiders.

But no show could equal the star power that was on hand for "The Big T. N.T. Show," which will have a rare screening tonight at 9:15 as part of a three-night film extravaganza sponsored by the American Cinematheque at the Egyptian Theatra. (The film is on a double bill with 1940's "A Night at Earl Carroll's," which plays at 7:30.) The series, called "Riot on Sunset Strip: Part II," was assembled by Domenic Priors, a writer and filmmaker whose book "Riot on Sunset Strip: Rock 'n' Roll's Last Stand in Hollywood" is an Indispensable guide to the brief flowering of L.A.'s '60s rock scene.

What makes "The Big T.N.T. Show" so intriguing is that it brings together such a wide variety of musicians on one stage. With Phil Spector serving as musical director—and, according to Priore, one of the film's financiers—we get to see rock, soul, country, pop and folk artists all in one place at one time, surrounded by an audience of screaming girls.

At its heart, the firm is still a variety show, but it's an eye-opener to see the breadth of '60s sounds, with the bill featuring the likes of the Byrds, Bo Diddley, Lovin' Spoonful, like and Tina Turner, Roger Miller, Joan Baez, Ray Charles, Donovan and Petula Clark.

The show's best moments are its surprises, none bigger than seeing Spector, wearing a beret, sitting at the plane and conducting the band as Joan Baez belts out a brassy version of "You've Lost That Loving Feeling."

Some of the performances haven't worn so well. Petula Clark looks about as hip as Julie Andrews doing a Spector-ized version of "Downtown." Even though they're gorgeous in their black turtlenecks and pencil-thin pants, the Byrds sound a little ragged, while Roger Miller looks totally out of his element in a suit and de.

For my money, the artists who best survive the test of time are the African American performers, who'd clearly had far more experience on stage than most of the young rock acts.

It's hard to take your eyes off Bo Diddley, while Ray Charles is extraordinarily smooth and soulful. (When one of his musicians forgets to come in at the beginning of "Let the Good Times Roll," Charles cracks up and stops the band, calling out "Hey, who are you waitin' on?" before taking it from the top.) The show concludes with like and Tina Tumer, who were clearly an impossible act to follow.

"I remember the first time I watched the film with my friends, we'd have these tramendous arguments about who was better -- Ike and Tina or Bo Diddley," Priore told me. "The Ike and Tina footage is not only stunning, but it's probably the best footage anyone has seen of them on film. There wasn't a lot of rock and soul music captured on TV in that era, so it's really great to have a movie where you get to see so many artists at their best."-

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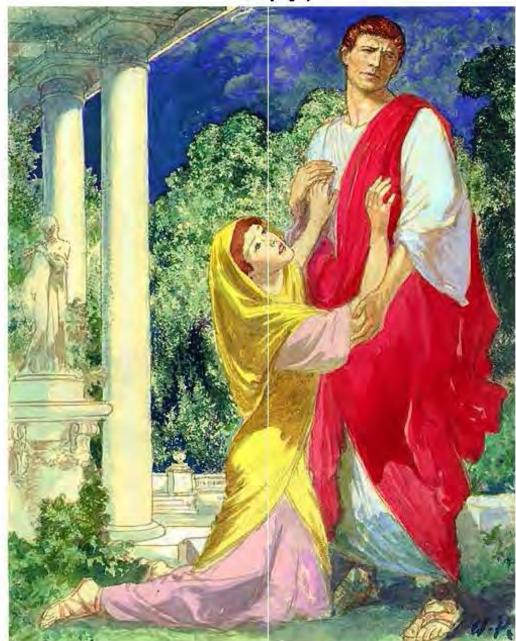
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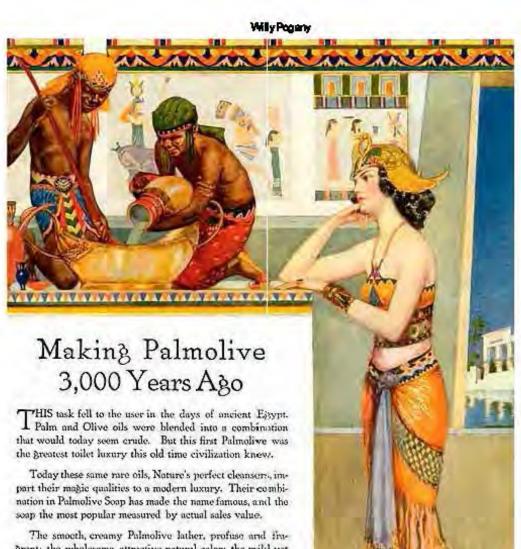
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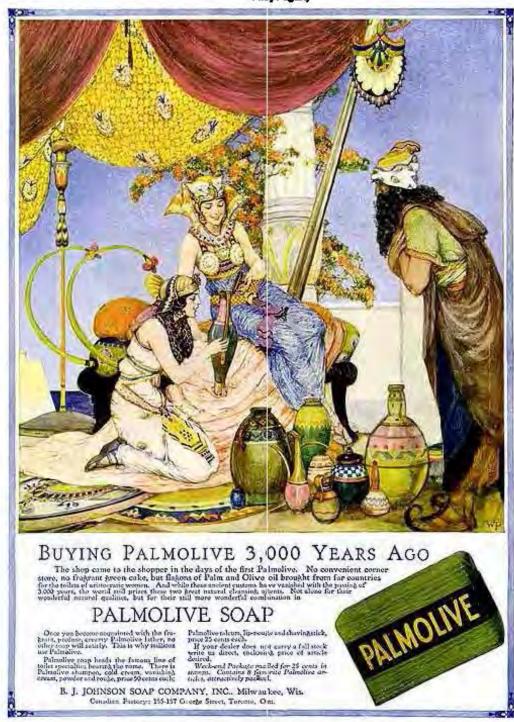
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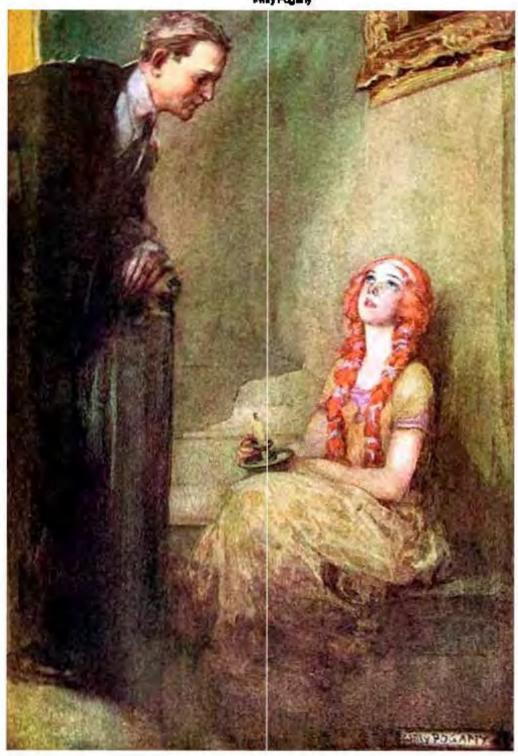
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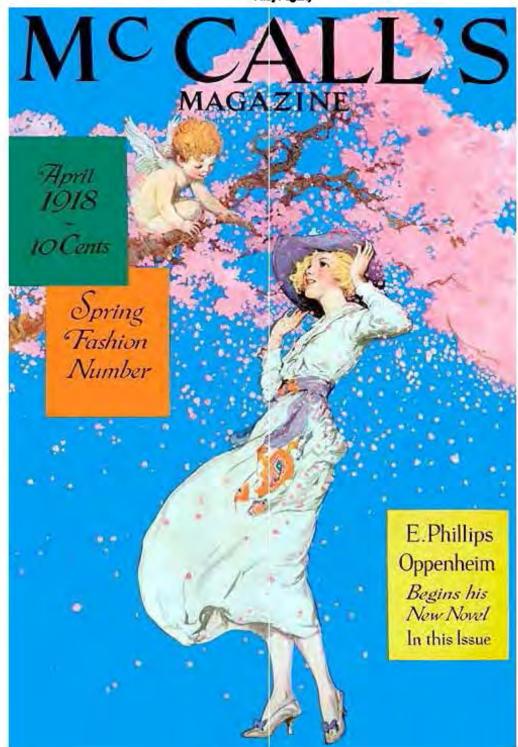


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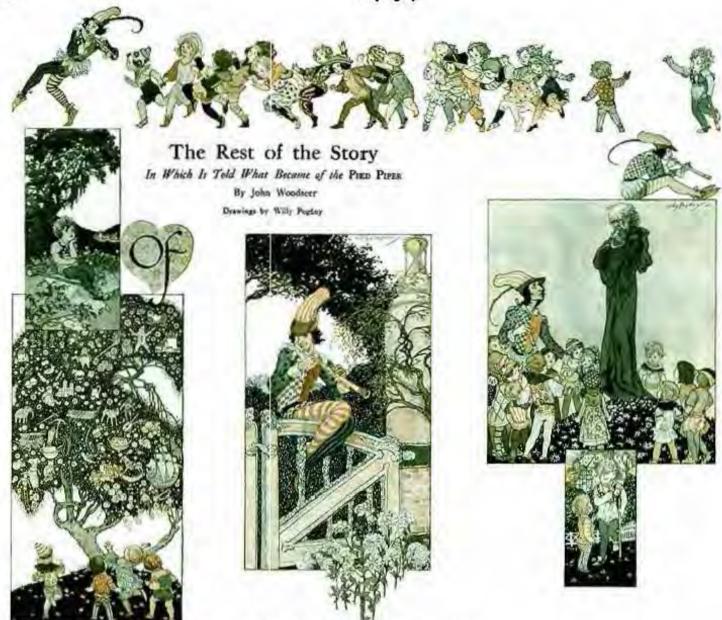
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Your "Toiletle Harmonieuse", graced by the Art of Trance

Would you, Madame, in your milette be as French as the fashion of La Bille France besself!

Then, indeed, will you welcome this counsel of those amort Parisimnes: "Let each of your speculites de tolette possess the same fragrance—the same French fragrance."

Ah! You heed this role of French fashion! What a fragranced Javeliness now is yours, graced with a smartness Parisinn.

And is it not because Dier-Kiss has contributed us French art and parfum from the very first step in the toilene to la fin—the finishing touch? Does not Madame now find daily use for the Soap, Tale, Toilet Water, Saches, les Coènes, Rouge, Face Powder and Extract? For each specialité de

Djer-Kiss is fragranced with Parjum Djer-Kiss itself,

You will wish to add them—these charming Dier-Kiss to detries—in increasing number to your dressing table, will you not? Far example:

#### Face Powder and Tale Djer-Kiss

Almost it will seem that in each box is imprisoned a magic French fairy who to you, on Americane, will impart that terre, that flair for beauty which is French alone. Specialement, these warm summer days, does the dainty tollete demand the soothing and cooling of these pare French tonder. So even today you will purchase them (with their fragrance of Parfum Djer-Kiss Itself) will you nor?



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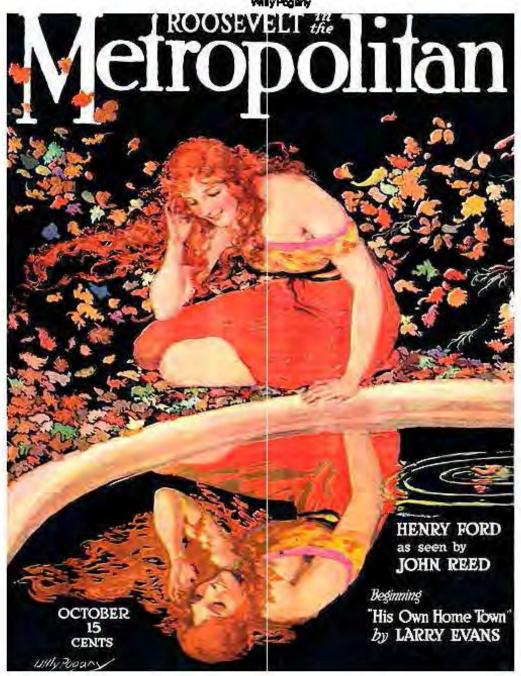
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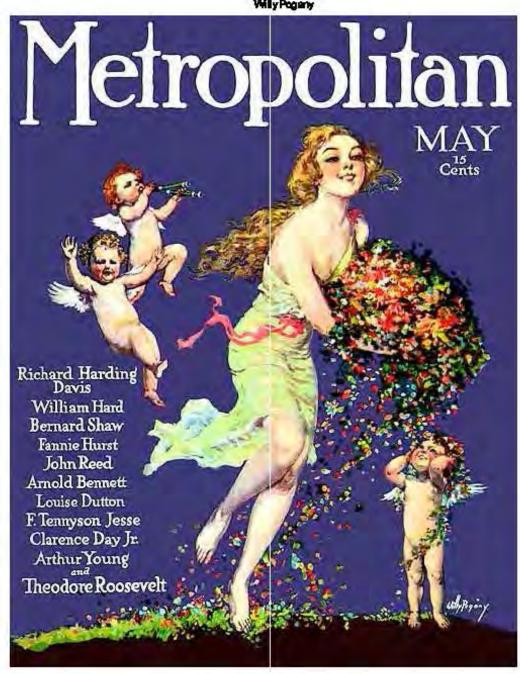


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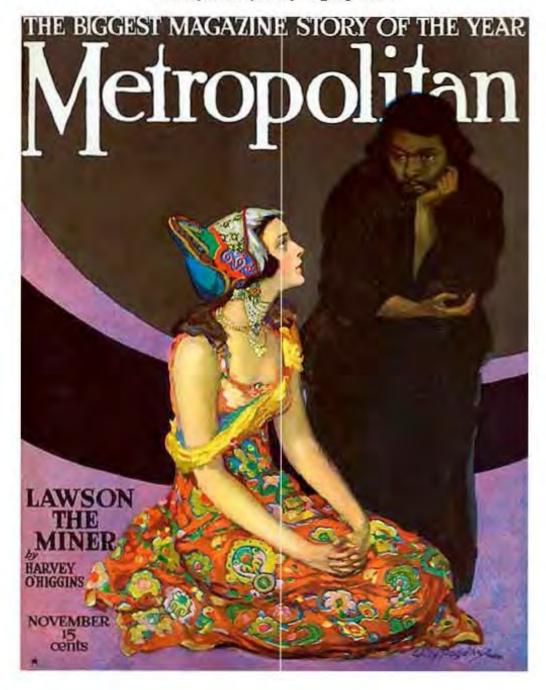
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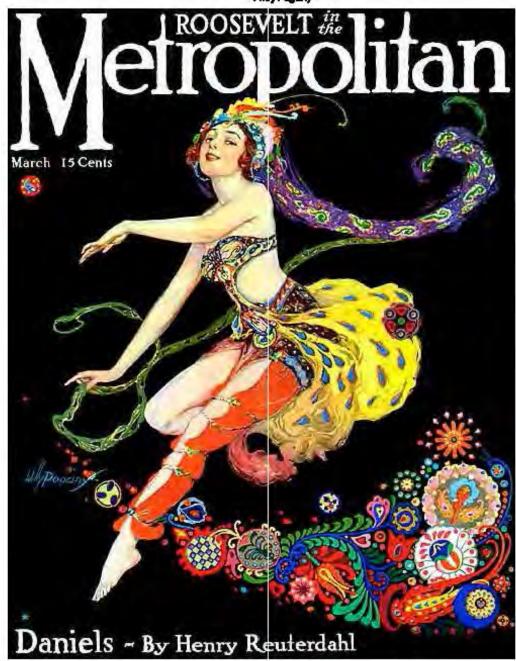
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## Springtime is Rug Time

It's Spring again! And Mother Nature, wise housekeeper of the great outdoors, makes over her wide domain for another twelvemonth.

You, too, like all good housekeep-ers, choose Spring as the ideal time to transform that little world of your creation-your home. You realize, of course, that in your scheme of decoration floors are basic, and that nothing can so cheer and freshen your home after weary months of Winter as the laying of a new rug. Indeed, at be a Mohawk.

this season, a new rug-soft, warm, colorful-seems like a captured fragment of the mantle of Spring itself.

Yes, Springtime is rug time almost everywhere. Surely it's going to be in your home, too! There's a Mohawk dealer near you, ready with the latest Mohawk patterns and colorings in every popular weave to suit your individual taste and needs. And remember: No matter what you wish to pay, your rug can always

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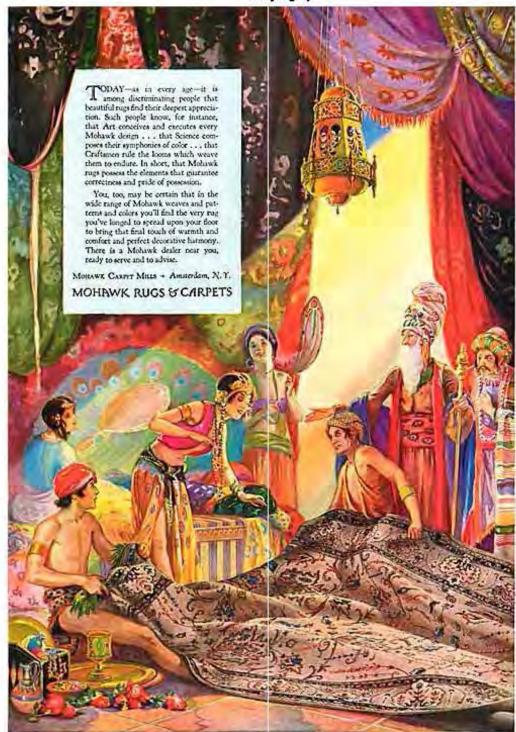


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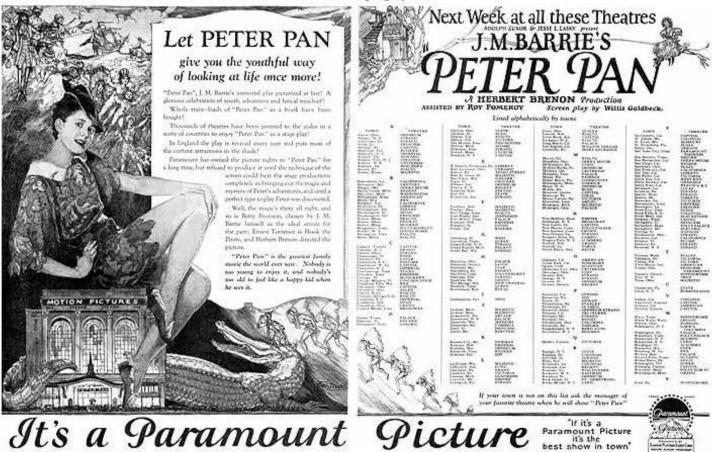
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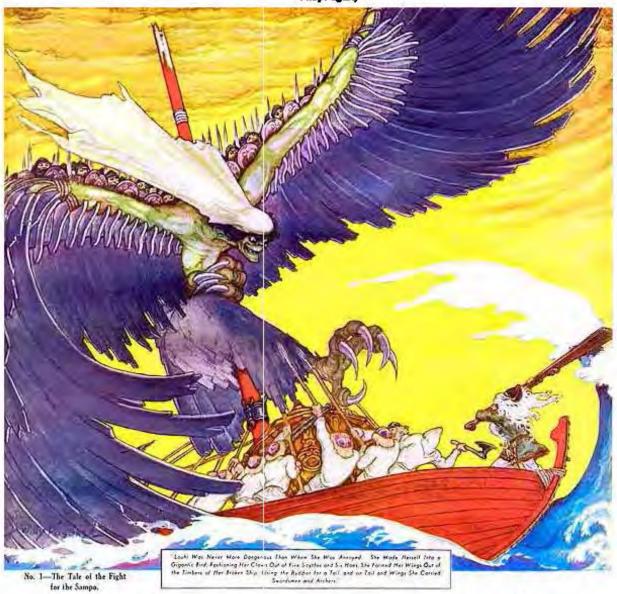
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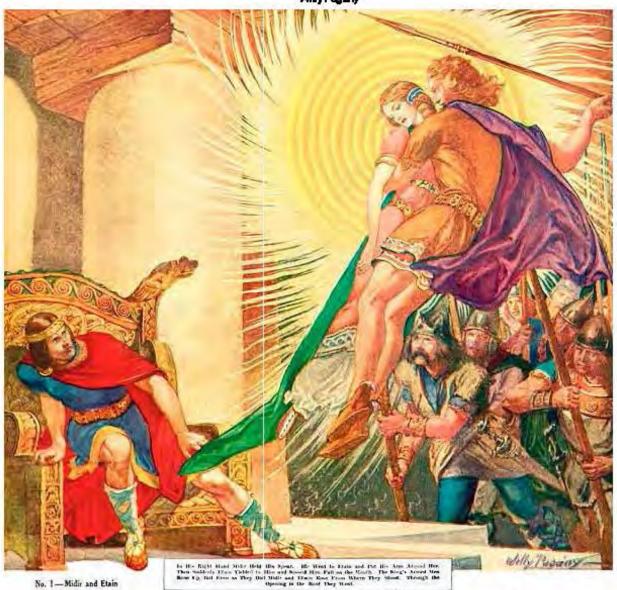


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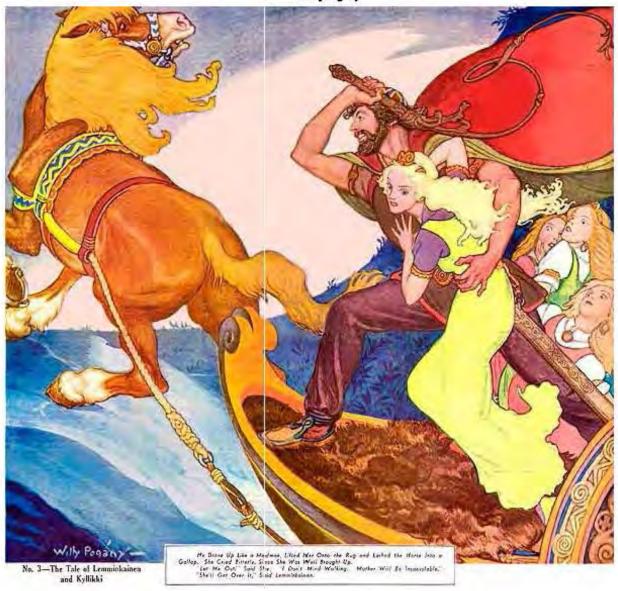
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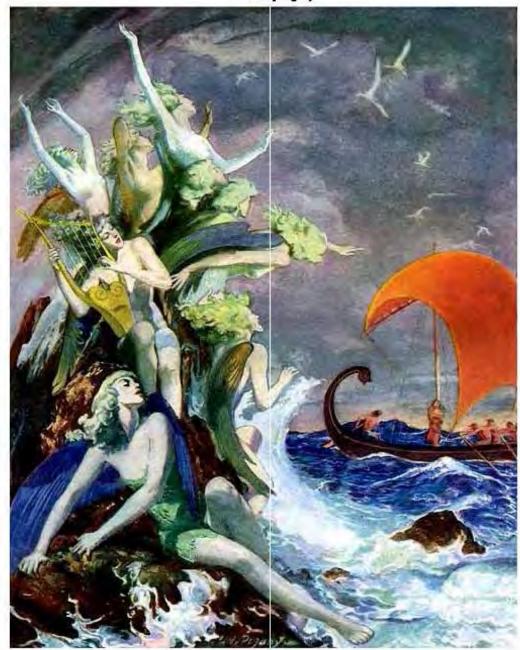


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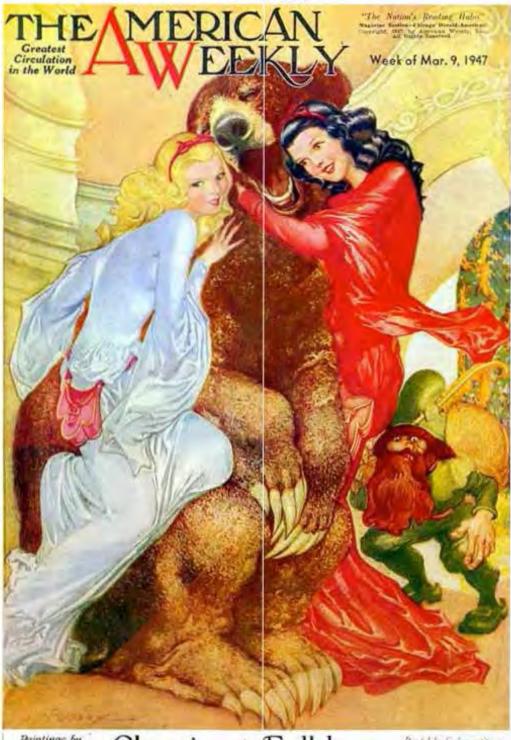
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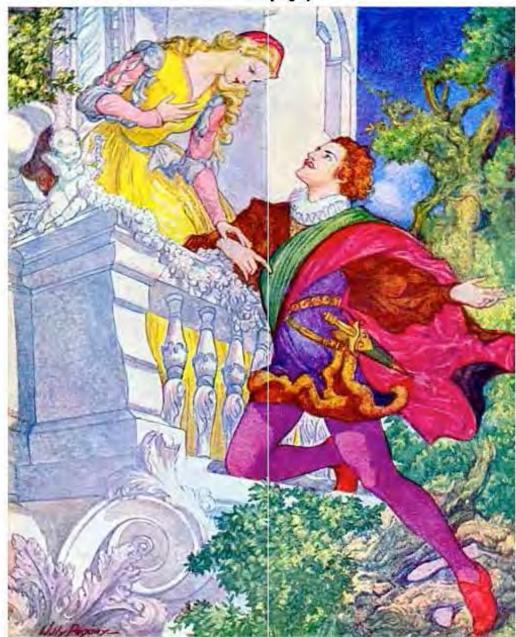


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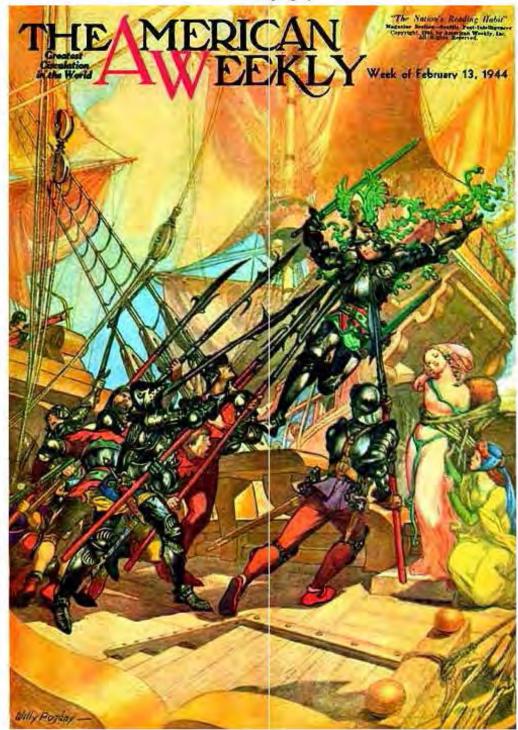


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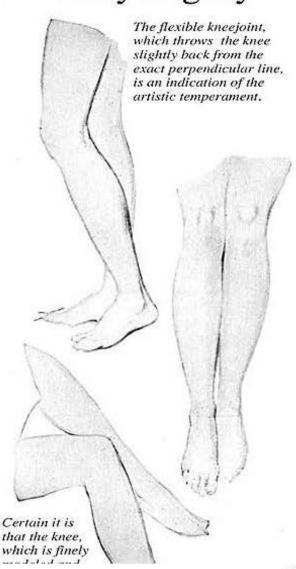
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Janet Stone, whose beautiful appendages add such joy to "Lady Butterfly"

Mr. Pogany, the well-known and generously gifted artist, turned upon me: "Can you prove to me that Bertillon's system is wrong; can you prove to me that fingerprints lie?" I sat back aghast, for I had come to interview Mr. Pogany concerning what was most beautiful about a leg, and while I had expected a certain amount of enthusiasm from the man who has made such beautiful etchings and paintings I had not expected the aggressive assertions that he flung at me. It was evident that I had hit upon his hobby.

"No, you cannot do that," went the painter. The character of a man, his individuality, is written in every part of his body. If we were skilful enough, no doubt, we could draw his likeness from a drop of his blood. There is no doubt whatever that the measurements of the human ear are absolutely individual, as also the fingerprints.

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beautifully
articulated, reflects
always a fine and
cultured mind, and
that the small and
flexible ankle supports
a head which is sensitive
to culture.



Mr. Pogany at work in his atelier.

"Therefore, it is not at all extraordinary to expect that the dimensions of the other members of the body reflect the type of the person. It may not be that each has absolutely unique legs, but it is certainly true that the person of culture will have characteristics not to be found in the curves, muscles, and bony formation of the crude and unintelligent specimen. It has ever been the novelist's delight to speak of the slender, tapering fingers of the musician, the knobby blunt fingers of the mechanic, the flexibility of the hands of the artist and so on.

"Du Maurier wrote a novel about the beautiful feet of Trilby, and we can be sure that these feet would not have been so beautiful had not its heroine had the lovely characteristics of mind which endeared her to her author; incidentally he was himself a great artist."

Mr. Pogany, during his conversation, made some quick sketches from the model present and with these sketches sought to illustrate the point that it is the harmonious relation of many beautiful parts which make the perfect leg and foot.



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# New Tube Rights

en Advised of General Electric aniAgreement Approval

According to cable advices to Harold R. Owen, president of the Claude Neon Electrical Products Corporation, the agreement between Claude-Paz and Silva, General Electric Company and the Claude Neon group of companies in the United States pro-viding for the licenses for "Zeon"

illumination nation were approved for-in Paris yesterday. mally maily in Paris yesterday.

Exclusive rights for the manufacture of the new type of luminous tube have been acquired by Claude Neon Electrical Products Corporation for the Pacific Coast, and production is expected to be started not later than June 1, Mr. Owen declared.

#### WIDER COLOR RANGE

"Zeon," as the new tube is known, is similar in general form to the present Claude Neon lights, the executive pointed over the executive pointed out, ith greatly improved efwith colors not previously available.

The license is based on an exchange of patent rights by agreement among Claude-Paz and Silva of Paris, the General Electric Company, and the Claude Neon group, according to Mr. Owen. Standard package units Neon group, according to Mr. Owen. Standard package units will be manufactured by General Electric and distributed Electric and distributed eral incandescent lamp he elongated tubes designs for signs through its incandescent division. The elongated and special designs for signs, and special designs for signs decorative and other outdoor purposes will be manufactured in the various local plants of the Electrical Products Corporation on the Pacific Coast, and by assected Claude companies in the sociated Claude companies in the East. SCIENTIFIC PROCESS

Powdered fluorescent crystals, scientifically processed for the purpose, he pointed out are responsible for the improved qualities of the new light.

The inner walls of glass tubes are coated with these various providers, which these various

powders, which are activated by invisible ultra-violet or "Black Light" radiations within the tube, causing the fluorescent Light" radiations within the tube, causing the fluorescent coating to glow with extreme brilliance, he continued. By proper selection and blending of the crystals it is possible to produce any desired part of the spectrum, including white and daylight colors day light colors.

In some instances 120 times as much illumination is obtained for the same current consumed by filament lamps of the same color, he said. The heat is corcolor, he said. The h respondingly reduced.

#### FIELDS OPENED UP

The low current consumption and variety of colors opens up many new fields of use, he pointed out. Up to the present time artificial illumination has been limited largely to its utility value as a means of lighting other decorative effects. With "Zeon" decorative effects. W decorative medium of almost unlimited pos-sibilities in its own right. It is now possible to "paint with light" or to carry out ar-chitectural designs with the col-

ored tubes which may be so com-bined as to also produce any de-sired color tones for atmosphere and general illumination.

## Nash-Kelvinator Passes Dividend

DETROIT, May 12. (A)-Directors of Nash-Kelvinator Corporators of tion today failed to take action on the common dividend due at this time. On February 21 the company paid 12½ cents a common share while in 1937 four payments of 25 cents each were made.

For the first quarter of the year the company and its subsidiaries reported a net low of \$2,185,685. No comparison was available due to changes in the fiscal years of the Nash and Kel-vinator divisions following the merger in January last year.

## FRANC AND POUND SLIP AS BELGIAN BELGA ADVANCES

NEW YORK, May 12. (P)—The region belga staged a sharp foreign exchange Belgian comeback in foreign exchange dealings today as other major European currencies moved lower terms of the dollar. in

A recovery of .06 of a cent in the Belgian unit, which checked a long speculative raid on the currency following devaluation of the franc, came after a vote of confidence given the Belgian Cabinet. on the Cabinet.

Sterling lost 1-16 of a cent. The French franc dipped .00 3-16 of a cent. following a cut in French central bank discount rate. The guilder dropped .05 of a cent while the Swiss franc remained

unchanged.

The Federal Reserve Bank reported \$5.800,000 in gold has been engaged in Japan for shipment here. here.

NEW 'ZEON' LIGHT EXPLOITATION DUE Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File); May 27, 1938; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990) pg 25

## NEW 'ZEON' LIGHT EXPLOITATION DUE

A national organization among the various Claude Neon Companies for the exploitation of the new "Zeon" light was formed at a series of conferences in Chicago, this week, according to word received here yesterday from Harold R. Owen, president of the Claude Neon Electrical Products Corporation, Ltd. Rights to the new light were recently acquired by this group for their respective territories under a series of patents emanating from General Electric Company and Claude-Paz and Silva of Paris, France.

Under the new arrangement the fluorescent materials for the elongated light will be manufactured by General Electric, the coating applied by the Corning Glass Works, which also will manufacture the glass tubing, and the fabrication completed in the plants of the respective licensed companies. It was agreed by the group, according to Mr. Owen, that the manufacture of the coated tubes should be centralized in order to obtain standardization of the product.

Included in the group is Claude Neon Electrical Products Corporation in the West, Federal Electric Company in the Middle West, and Claude Neon Lights of New York and affiliates in the East.

#### Gold Stocks Gain .

WASHINGTON, May 26.— Gold stocks of the United States Treasury stood at \$12,904,568,500 on May 24, a gain of \$2,135,000 over the preceding day. THE STORY OF A MAGIC GAS

Los Ángeles Times (1923-Current File); Feb 26, 1939; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990)

NCE the Japanese had a magic cow; the year was 980 A.D. This cow, the central figure in a still more mysterious picture seemed to quit the scene by day "to graze," but she always appeared again at dusk. She simply stood there within the frame, g. She was the beginning of scent displays.

There's better magic now, you know, along any neon-bedecked thoroughfare—particularly where the deftly contorted tubing has been coated with modern fluorescent crystals. By day the insides of these varied glass ribbons look like they had been doused with whitewash; by night they give you the rainbow in all its colorful glory.

The cow, the Chinese found when they debunked Japan's old legerdemain, was luminous because of oyster shells.

The cow, the Chinese found when they debunked Japan's old legerdemain, was luminous because of oyster shells. By calcining them and mixing them with pigments the shrewd artists of the Rising Sun created a compound to "show up" in darkness. It takes to-day's fluorescent crystals to garner the values of illusive light. When they do they boost the efficiency of conventional neon as much as 1200 per cent.

Creative engineers called this newer lighting "zeon." Without benefit of Webster they arbitrarily pushed a capital "N" in neon flat on its back and made a "Z" out of it. They did that because neon gas, along with certain other gases and minerals, is a vital component of electrically operated fluorescent tubes.

Zeon, like ordinary neon signs, sells peanuts, popcorn, beer and what-have-you. In dignity, too, it lends flattering light to the world's most beautiful girls . . . if you want to believe Earl Carroll's press agent. Brother Carroll's 18-carat nightery on Hollywood's Sunset Blvd. is superbly drenched in mellow zeon. Through it engineers and swank architects foresee a resurrection from the dead for interiors.

ENTERIORS already have begun to live; towers in pastels, buildings in outline. Any hue you want is yours with zeon; in conventional neon the choice is scant. However, you must begin with neon if you're going to unravel the private life of any zeon tube. The story starts in England.

Just about the time that Roosevelt, the Warrior, was intimidating ambitious Spaniards with a forbidding display of dental work, Sir William Ramsay and William Travers were holding a war of their own in a bottle. Air was undergoing bombardment and out came neon, an element. Into the rare gas bracket it went with the other mysteries: Argon, helium, krypton and, later, xenon.

They had it, but they didn't know what to do with it. There are only a couple of parts of neon to 100,000 parts of air. Scientists Ramsay and Travers couldn't catch enough of the stuff to put it to practical use. Then came Georges Claude.

By 1902 this Frenchman had laid

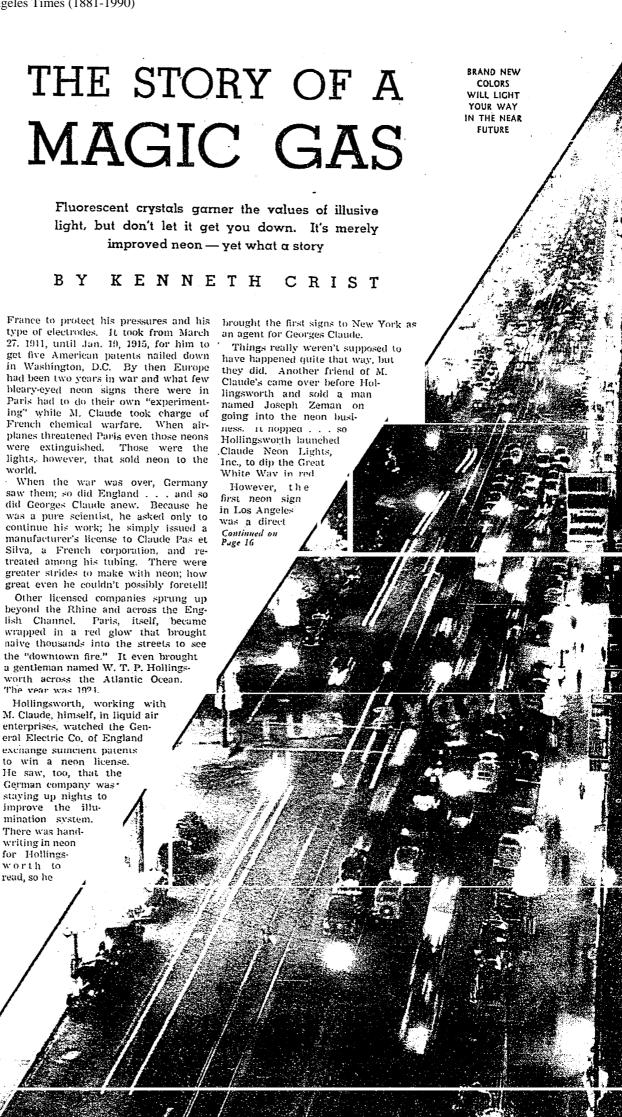
By 1902 this Frenchman had laid down his own law for liquefying gases. Three years later he was tinkering with neon. He could corral it, he found; smashed by specific electric charges in a partial vacuum, it would respond with a partial vacuum.

a partial vacuum, it would respond with a reddish glow!

There was nothing so strange in that. Many gases, including the air you breathe, will glow under favorable pressures and proper temperatures. Those temperatures, at least, are usually extremely high, far out of reason for commercial application. With mean the ractors were practicable. The color was

ticable. The color wa clear; the gas continued to function over endless hours of "electricat beating."

Between 1905 and 1910 Georges Claude sought patents in



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importation from France. It was one word long and cost about \$1250—Packard. Earle C. Anthony bought two of the signs—one that created excitement here, the other in San Francisco. It was through that Packard sign of Anthony's that Paul D. Howse, founder and first president of Electrical Products Co., then selling multi-bulb displays, saw the future of neon lights.

He called immediately for J. E. Tucker, his vice-president, who had been in Europe in 1924. Tucker described again the streets of Paris, and

Howse called in his secretary and took up the telephone receiver. By the time that Hollingsworth could get to Los Angeles, Howse, John B. Miller, former bigwig of the Southern California Edison Co. here, and the late W. I. Hollingsworth of local realty fame met at a penthouse luncheon in the Hollingsworth Building and underwrote the first \$300,000 to form Claude Neon Electrical Products. The first sign that they got for demonstration was only the letter "A"!

Out of that single letter "A" the neon business in the eleven Western States has grown to what it is today: Through licensing, through success, through failure, through expiring patents belonging to Claude, an allen; through corporate expansion, through Howse's death, through suits in courts of law, through business reorganization until now Electrical Products Corp. and its subsidiaries, working through the General Electric Co., are pushing neon's "N" over on its side to make a "Z."

"Zeon had to come," Harold R. Owen will tell you—and Owen is today's president of Electrical Products Corp. "It had to come because business, all business, was getting tired of neon's three possible colors—red, mercury blue and helium white. Any other neon colors you ever saw were made with tinted glass. The marine green wasn't so bad because it was slightly fluorescent with uranium. Still, people were taking out neon lights and returning to old-fashioned bulbs to try to get some little attention in a night sea of ubiquitous red.

"I mean, frankly, that conventional neon had reached a saturation point. It was beginning to fall away because John Public, once startled and amazed by its effect, had become so used to it that it didn't mean anything and neon, unaided, wasn't flexible enough or sufficiently luminous to appear in another dress. Fluorescent crystals have taken care of all that."

The crystals, themselves, are simple enough. Ground into powders, they come as zinc orthosilicate, zinc mesodisilicate, zinc beryllium silicates of various sorts, calcium tungstate, or magnesium tungstate. They're inexpensive and apparently have endurance qualities that tickle even the engineers.

I AKE the case of zinc orthosilicate, for instance. Coat the inside of a neon tube with this white powder, fill the tube to proper pressure with 80 per cent neon and 20 per cent argon plus an iota of mercury-assuming that the tube first has been exhausted of impurities and air down to at least 1/100,000 of an atmosphere-set the electrodes to work by turning on the "juice" and passing it through a suitable transformer: Your color is bright green. Leave out the mercury and the color is old gold; not so bright. In light values, it's a matter of between 50 and 60 lumens for the green as against only 22 for the old gold. Straight neon, though, in orange red is only 15.

How does it work and what do the crystals do?

Put on your science swimming suit and take a "quickie" plunge. Engineer Ellis O. Erickson of Hyde Technical Laboratories can talk fundamentals in common English.

Begin with a simple, clear tube of clean glass some 46 or 48 inches long or a length determined definitely by what you're going to do with the tube.

To make it easy, don't let the glass blowers even bend this one . . . or try to follow a pattern for a sign or make a letter.

You'll find that the tube has been made largely from silica, oxides of lead and soda ash. It's like "cut glass" in quality; it's the finest that money can buy. You're going to put electrodes, already made and tested, on each end of it and take it over to a Rube Goldberg-looking contraption with a mercury column, gadgets, valves and what not: That's the machine for bombarding it, taking all the impurities out of it and reducing the air in it to 1/100,000 of an atmosphere. The machine can pull it down to 1/1,000,000 of an atmosphere, in case you like "emptiness," but that isn't necessary for efficiency.

However, before you hook up your tube to this pump, you'll have to have one of the glass blowers open the glass down toward one end and put in a "tubulation," an outlet and intake that can be sealed off after you have exhausted the tube and refilled it with gas to the proper pressure.

Once connected with the pump, the tube is heated almost to the melting point, the heat ranging from 200 to 400 deg.C. You heat it and cool it, you exhaust it, you flush it with air, and you go through that process over and over again until you are sure that, when you exhaust it the last time, there are no impurities remaining.

LIKEWISE you heat the electrodes to between 550 and 600 deg. C., chasing impurities out of them. Any foreign matter will ruin the tube, cause faulty light discoloration. Your machine is arranged so that you can heat the electrodes, singly or together, without heating the tube or you can heat the tube and not the electrodes. It's a fantastic process to watch!

Even the common air in the tube becomes luminous and turns a salmonred. You see it rolling back and forth like liquid fire and wonder that the tube can "take it." It does, and when it's more than just a "partial vacuum" from the layman's standpoint you're ready to introduce the gas. You'll probably use the 80-20 neon and argon proportions for a conventional neon tube to show up, when "turned on," as the old familiar orange-red.

If you're making a zeon tube you go through exactly the same process, save that before you bombard it to get out the air you'll coat it evenly on the inside with the fluorescent powder you want to use. That depends upon the color you expect to have when the tube takes its charge of electricity. The coating is done with a special roller tapping machine that shakes the powder through a tube that first has been swabbed carefully with a liquid binder to which the powder will adhere. Even atmospheric conditions and temperature make a difference in this work.

With the neon and argon in the zeon tube you'll probably want to introduce mercury. Any mercury that you can see in the tube after you get through is too much mercury!

Now you're ready for the next step. What actually happens in one of these tubes after the juice has been turned on—and why do the crystals fluoresce?

Everyone knows that an atom is made up of a positive charge and corresponding negative charges that make an entity of the whole. As little as it

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knows about it, science understands now that the much-touted cosmic ray makes it possible to split such atoms, robbing a negative charge from one and using it for a bullet to smack another. Whenever a negative charge gets loose it hunts for another positive or, if merely jarred slightly from its orbit, tries to go back to its own. In this last process energy is released that becomes light!

The whole change, of course, is stimulated electrically. The various gases break down and give color according

to their own characteristics, Mercury sheds ultraviolet—and that's what fluoresces the crystals!

When you introduce mercury to a conventional neon tube you lose 95 per cent of the mercury's energy. In a fluorescent tube its presence translates light waves too short for visibility over into the visible bracket and you get that added illuminating intensity.

If you take the wave length of light in Angstrom units, the engineer's index for it, you'll learn that the eye sees nothing below 4000 Angstrom units or above 7600. Ultraviolet comes in at 2536 Angstrom units, but, by fluorescing the crystals. brings with it an abundance of new light. Paradoxically, what you see is light you can't see save that the crystals respond to it.

So it is that an old Japanese cow that proved luminiscent within the picture of which she was a part has new tribute paid to her royal highness by the white-robed technicians of today.

"See, she was luminous," they'll tell you. "She conveyed light that the human eye couldn't see otherwise. Lord, maybe her true name was Zeon!"

Zeon Company Sales Improve: Electrical Products Directors Re-elected; Dividend Declared Los Angeles Times (1923-Current File): Mar 9, 1939; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1990) pg. 16

Zeon Company

## Sales Improve

Electrical Products Directors Re-elected; Dividend Declared

Volume of husiness done by Electrical Products Corp. in the first two months of this year ran approximately 20 per cent ahead of the like period of last year. Harold R. Owen, president, told stockholders at the annual meeting yesterday.

The executive attributed the increase to the aggressive sales campaign on the new zeon light, which, he said, has virtually replaced the old neon tubes, with the new lights now constituting approximately 95 per cent of total production.

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Earnings, he said, are running ahead of dividend requirements. Unmatured monthly installment contracts which totaled \$1,068,401.63 on Dec. 31, last, have shown an upturn since the first of the year. of the year. 1938 REVIEWED

Following the meeting, at which directors were re-elected, the board met and renamed retiring officers, and declared the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents a share on the capital stock, payable April 1 to stockholders of record March 20.

In reviewing the annual report of the company for the year ended Dec. 31, last, the executive pointed out that earnings of the company had shown a nominal improvement against the general trend.

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Net income for 1938 amounted to \$303,819.70, against \$301,704.76 in the preceding year, despite a 10 per cent drop in volume of production.

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promotional campaign on behalf of the company's new product was absorbed during the last half of the year, he said, as a result of which sales volume in the final quarter showed a material improvement. terial improvement. NEW TUBE LIKED

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The new fluorescent tube, for which the company acquired a license under patents of General Electric Co., Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., Claude Paz and Silva of Paris, has met with public acceptance and has almost entirely replaced the original neon tube in new installations.

Officers and directors of the company include Harry J. Bauer, chairman of the board; Harold R. Owen, president; William J. Vaughan, executive vice-president and secretary-treasurer; L. A. Rice, vice-president; M. R. Mausshardt, vice-president, and Henry R. Schultheis, Richard H. Lacy, J. H. Pengilly, W. J. Hollingsworth, Charles H. Quinn and Luther J. Lee.

F. B. Meyer was appointed assistant secretary-treasurer.

## GAIN FORECAST IN STEEL BUYING

NEW YORK, March 8. (P)—The Iron Age, steel publication, reported today in its weekly review slightly better buying of steel in the past week, "though the improvement has not yet been sufficient to be reflected in higher operations."

The review estimated ingot production for the week at 55 per cent of capacity, unchanged from a revised figure for the previous week.

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"Further increase in tin plate orders is expected soon; the auto mobile industry will require more mobile industry will require more steel as expanding assemblies use up supplies on hand; speci-fications against recent contracts for construction and railroad pur poses are expanding; the farm implement industry is stepping up production and taking more up production and taking steel."

reported Iron Age composite price at \$15.17 a tor last week compared with \$15.01 the previous week.

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#### CITY OF LOS ANGELES

## DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY BUILDING DIVISION

## Application for the Erection of a Building

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#### CITY OF LOS ANGELES

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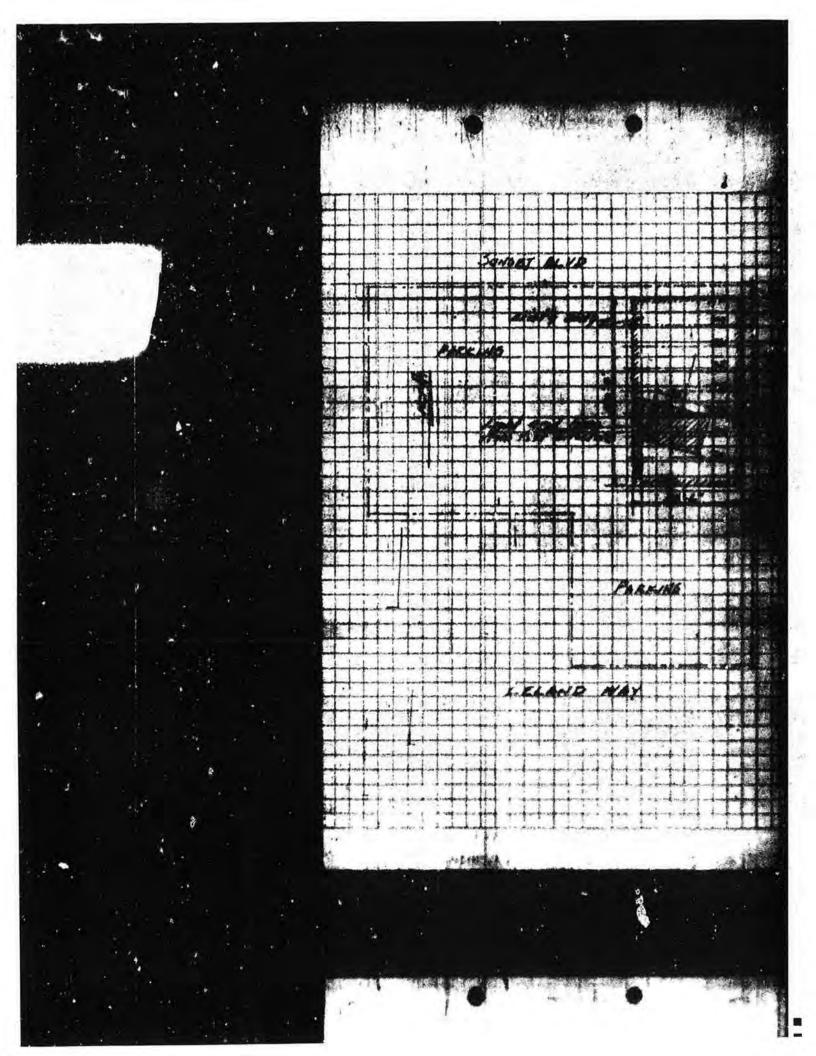
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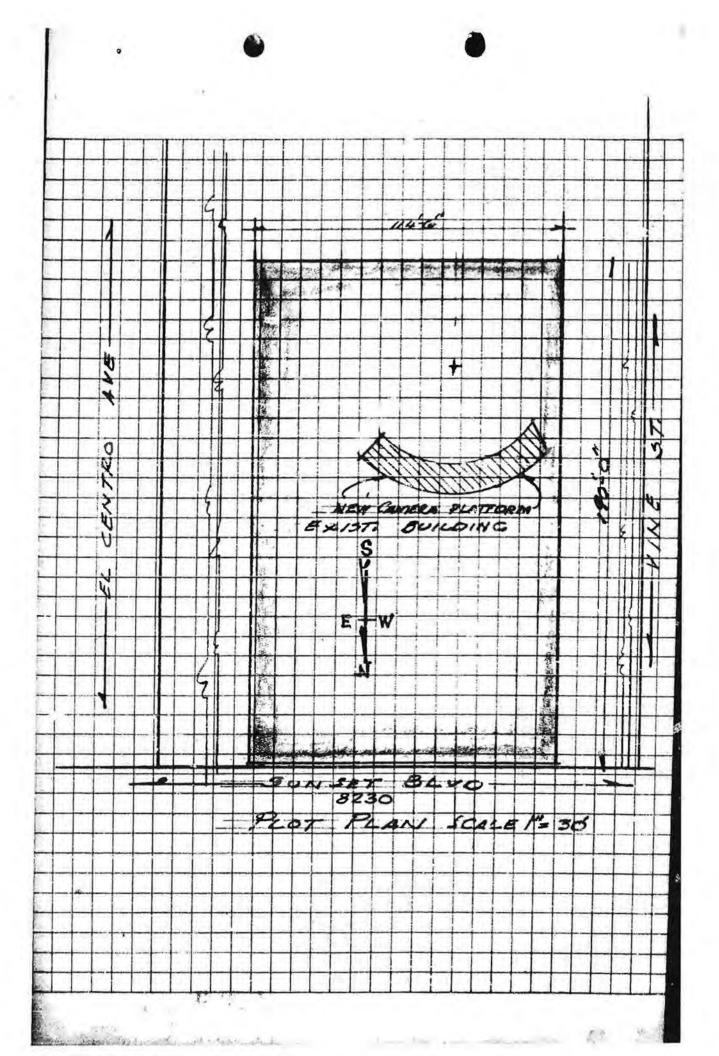
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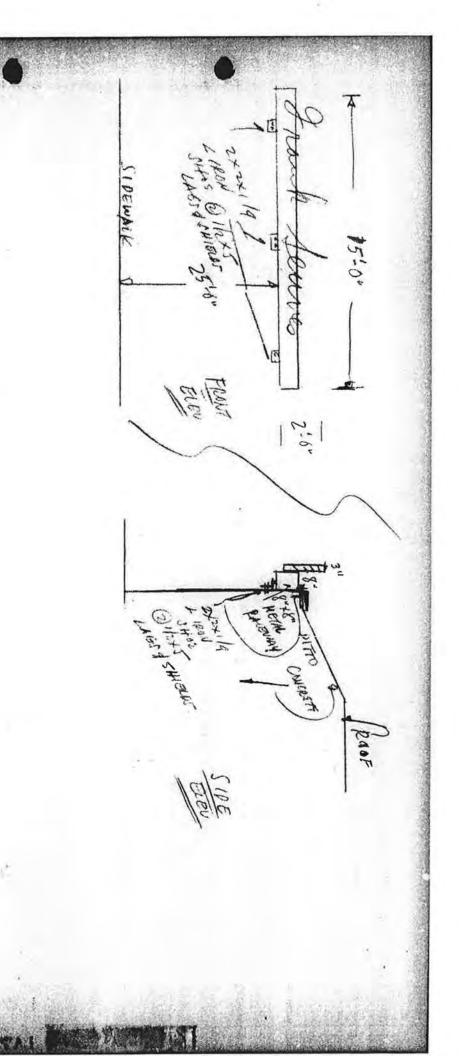
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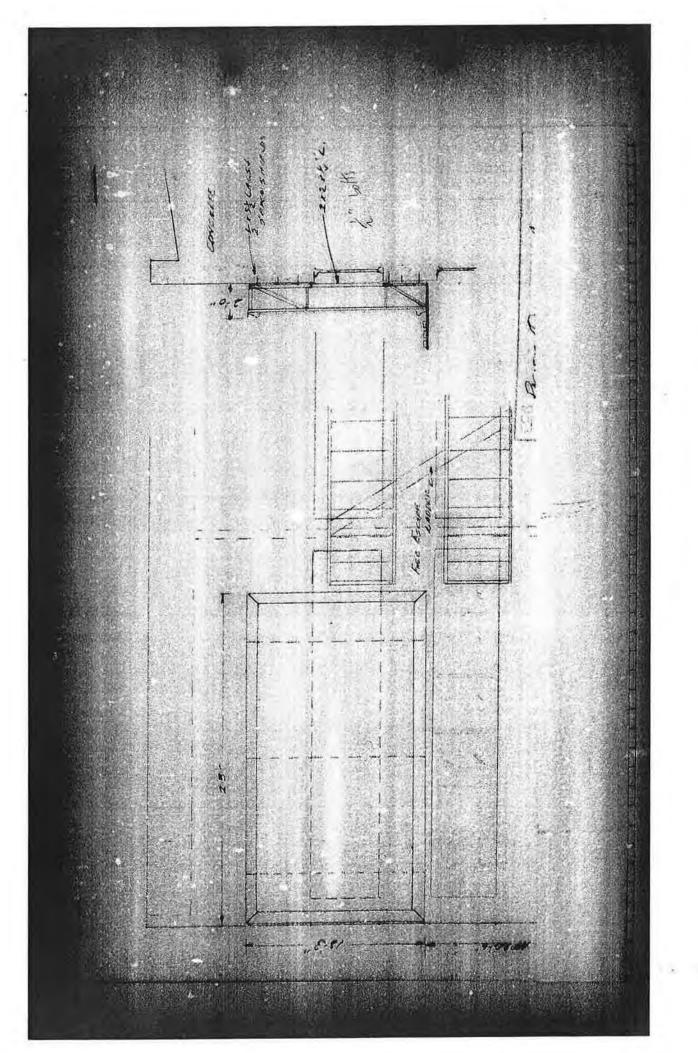
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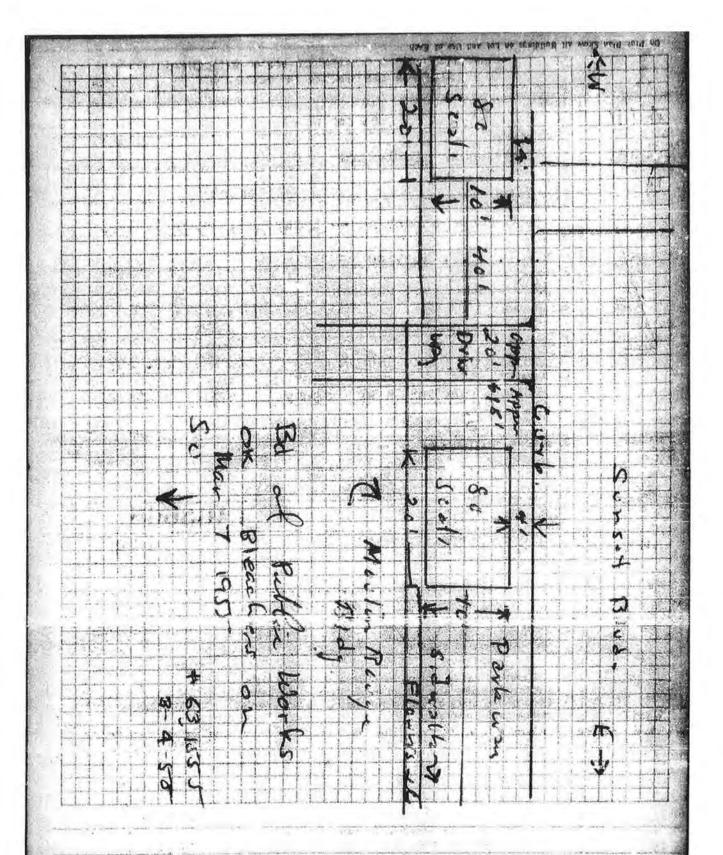
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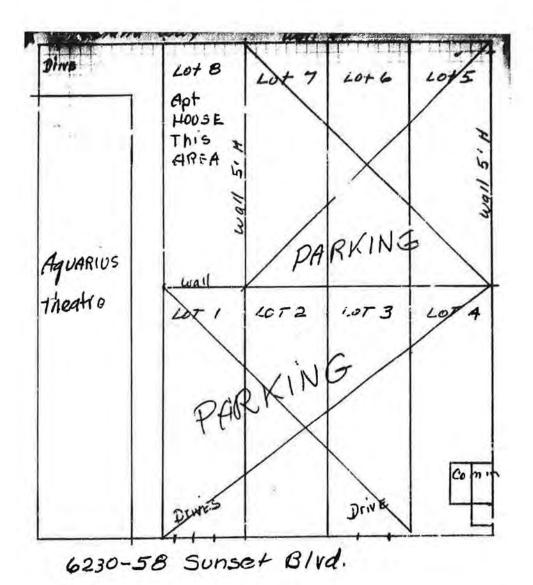
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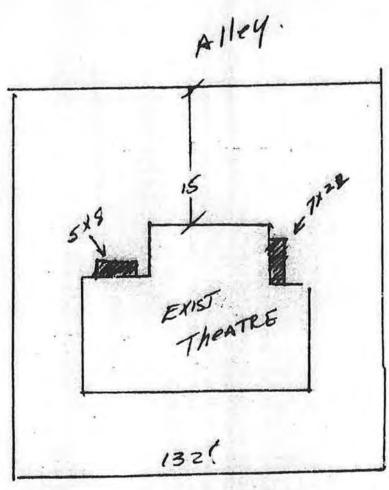
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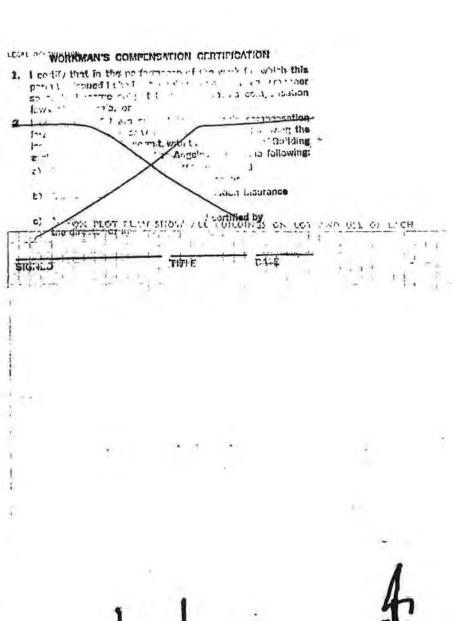
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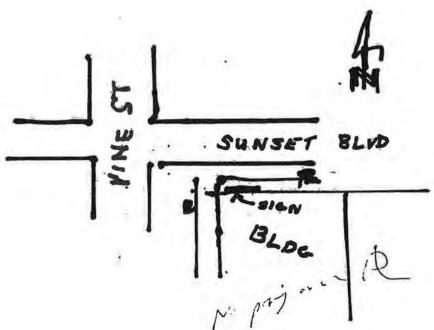
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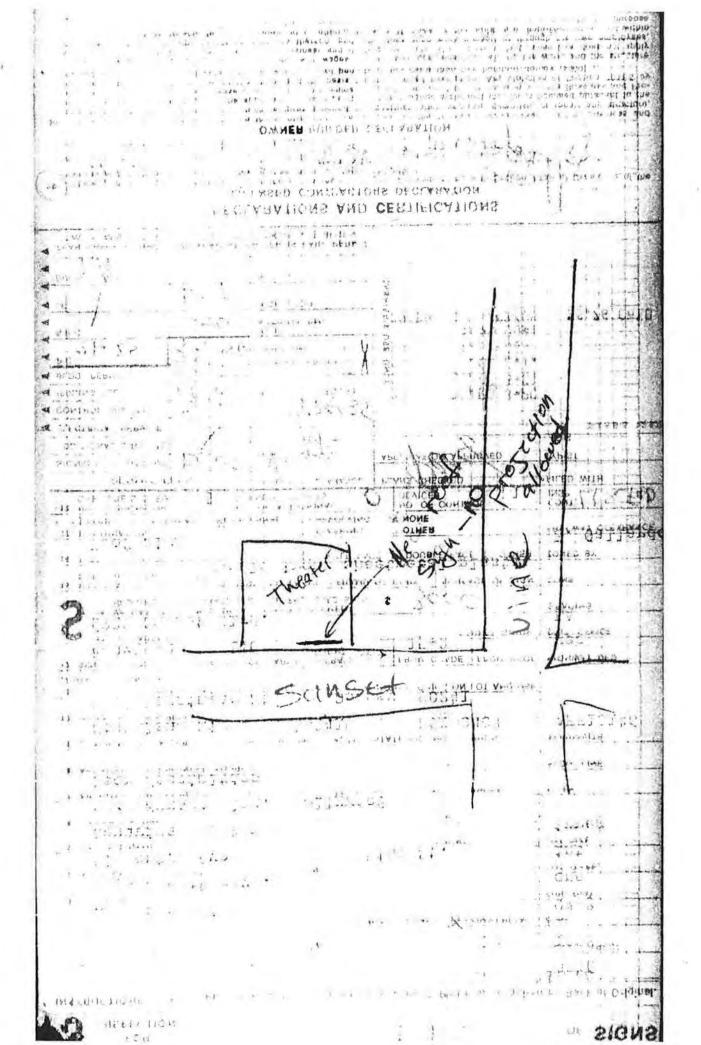
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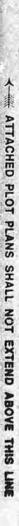
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17. LICENSED CONTRACTOR'S DECLARATION

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5. CHECKLIST FREMS

6. PROPERTY OWNER, TENANT, APPLICANT INFORMATION

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925 Meadow Dr

PALO ALTO CA 94303

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Applicant (Relationship Agent for Owner)

Eddie Navarrette -

943 N. Broadway # 204

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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7. EXISTING USE

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(23) Miscellaneous Bldg/Structus

8. DESCRIPTION OF WORK

NEW DECK FOR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT ONLY AT AN EXISTING 3-STORY STUDIO, 192 SQ.FT. (AREA UNDER THE DECK IS ALSO USE FOR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT PLATEFORM ONLY)

9. # Bldgs on Site & Use:

10. APPLICATION PROCESSING INFORMATION BLDG. PC By: OK for Cashier

Larry Lee Alex Mendez DAS PC By:

Ronald Allen

Signature;

Coord. OK:

Date:

Permit Valuation: \$10,000	PC Valuation:	
FINAL TOTAL Bldg-Addition	275.49 School District Commercial Area	0.00
Permit Fee Subtotal Bldg-Addition	202.13 Green Building Fee	1.00
Energy Surcharge	Permit Issuing Fee	0.00
Handicapped Access		
Plan Check Subtotal Bldg-Addition	14.85	
Off-hour Plan Check	7.43	
Plan Maintenance	10.00	
Fire Hydrant Refuse-To-Pay		
E.O. Instrumentation	2.10	
O.S. Surcharge	4.73	
Sys. Surcharge	14.19	
Planning Surcharge	14.06	
Planning Surcharge Misc Fee	5.00	
Sewer Cap ID:	Total Bond(s) Due:	

12. ATTACHMENTS

D.A. Hardship Exemption

Plot Plan

For inspection requests, call toll-free (888) LA4BUILD (524-2845). Conside LA County, call (213) 482-0000 or request inspections via www.ladbs.org Barrer to rank Confer and Latina of and Safats (866) 4LACITY (4120-484). Solisided 3.556m. Latina 25/193. 123 F.01?

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Total Due:

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13. STRUCTURE INVENTORY (Note: Numeric measurement data in the format "number / number" implies "change in numeric va	alue/total resulting numeric value") 09014 - 10000 - 03778
(P) Floor Area (ZC): +192 Sqft / Sqft (P) Height (BC): 0 Feet / Feet (P) Height (ZC): 0 Feet / Feet (P) Length: 0 Feet / Feet (P) Stories: 0 Stories / 3 Stories (P) Width: +8 Feet / Feet (P) B Occ. Group: +192 Sqft / Sqft (P) Parking Req'd for Bldg (Auto+Bicvcle): 0 Stalls / Ste (P) Type III-A Construction	
IA. APPLICATION COMMENTS: ENGINEER: JAMES BRADLEY BOWDEN, C74025,	In the event that any box (i.e. 1-16) is filted to capacity, it is possible that additional information has been captured electronically and could not be printed due to space restrictions. Nevertheless, the information printed exceeds that required by Section 19825 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California.
15. Building Relocated From;	
16. CONTRACTOR, ARCHITECT, & ENGINEER NAME ADDRESS (O), Owner-Builder	CLASS LICENSE# PHONE# 0
PERMIT EXPIRATION/REFUNDS: This permit expires two years after the date of the permit issuance. This period of 180 days (Sec. 98.0602 LAMC). Claims for refund of fees paid must be filed within one year from the LAMC). The permittee may be entitled to reimbursement of permit fees if the Department fails to conduct an in	he date of expiration for permits granted by LADBS (Sec. 22.12 & 22.13
Any city or county which requires a permit to construct, alter, improve, demolish, or repair any structure, prior signed statement that he or she is licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Contractors License Law (Chapter Professions Code) or that he or she is exempt therefrom and the basis for the alleged exemption. Any violation a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).):  () f, as the owner of the property, or my employees with wages as their sole compensation, will do the work (Sec. 7044, Business & Professions Code; The Contractors License Law does not apply to an owner of phimself or herself or through his or her own employees, provided that such improvements are not intende sold within one year from completion, the owner-builder will have the burden of proving that he or she did that we have one of the property, am exclusively contracting with licensed contractors to construct the project Law does not apply to an owner of property who builds or improves thereon, and who contracts for such License Law)	r 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and in of Section 7031,5 by any applicant for a permit subjects the applicant to k, and the structure is not intended or offered for sale property who builds or improves thereon, and who does such work ed or offered for sale. If, however, the building or improvement is lid not build or improve for the purpose of sale).
18. WORKERS' COMPENSATION DECI	LARATION
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() I have and will maintain workers' compensation insurance, as required by Section 3700 of the Labor Code workers' compensation insurance carrier and policy number are	le, for the performance of the work for which this pennit is issued. My
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(_) I certify that in the performance of the work for which this permit is issued, I shall not employ any person laws of California, and agree that if I should become subject to the workers' compensation provisions of sprovisions.  WARNING, FAILURE TO SECURE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE IS UNLAWFUL, AND SAND CIVIL FINES UP TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000), IN ADDITION TO THE IN SECTION 3706 OF THE LABOR CODE, INTEREST, AND ATTORNEY'S FEES.	Section 3700 of the Labor Code, I shall forthwith comply with those SHALL SUBJECT AN EMPLOYER TO CRIMINAL PENALTIES
19. ASBESTOS REMOVAL DECLARATION / LEAD 1 certify that notification of asbestos removal is either not applicable or has been submitted to the AQMD or EPA as per s (909) 396-2336 and the notification form at <a href="https://www.agund.gov">www.agund.gov</a> Lead safe construction practices are required when doing re section 6716 and 6717 of the Labor Code. Information is available at Health Services for LA County at (800) 524-5323 of	section 19827.5 of the Health and Safety Code. Information is available at epairs that disturb paint in pre-1978 buildings due to the presence of lead per
20. FINAL DECLARATION	
I certify that I have read this application INCLUDING THE ABOVE DECLARATIONS and state that the above informat comply with all city and county ordinances and state laws relating to building construction, and hereby authorize represent purposes. I realize that this pennit is an application for inspection and that it does not approve or authorize the work spectomply with any applicable law. Furthermore, neither the City of Los Angeles nor any board, department officer, or empire performance or results of any work described herein, nor the condition of the property nor the soil upon which such work work will not destroy or unreasonably interfere with any access or utility easement belonging to others and located on my with such consented, a substitute easement(s) satisfactory to the holder(s) of the easement will be provided (Sec. 91.0106.	Intalives of this city to enter upon the above-mentioned property for inspection crified herein, and it does not authorize or pennit any violation or failure to ologee thereof, make any warranty, nor shall be responsible for the it is performed. I further affirm under penalty of perjury, that the proposed property, but in the event such work does desiroy or unreasonably interfere
By signing below, I certify that:  (1) I accept all the declarations above namely the Owner-Builder Declaration, Workers' Compensation Declaration, Declaration; and  (2) This permit is being obtained with the consent of the legal owner of the property.  Print Name:    Compensation   Compens	

6230 W Sunset Blvd

Permit Application #:

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**Bldg-Addition** Commercial

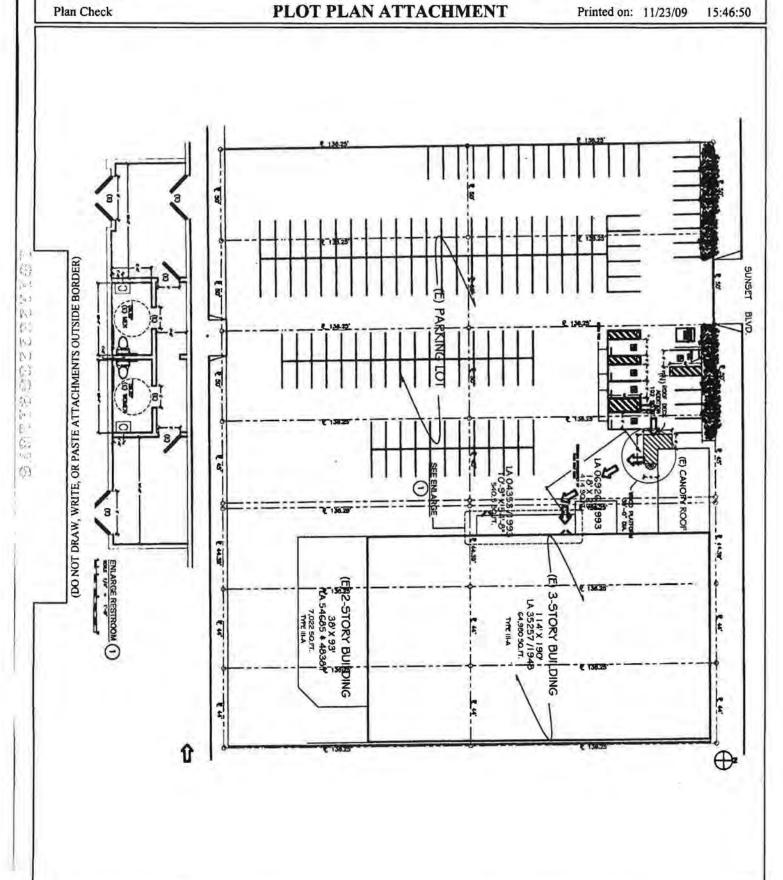
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more information about licensed contractors.

## OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

(OWNER-BUILDER DECLARATION)

Application Number: 090K-10000	1-3018
Project Address: 10230 SUNSET	
DIRECTIONS: Read and initial each statement	below to signify you understand or verify this information.
"Owner-Builder" building permit that erroneously labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Burisk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed property. My homeowner's insurance may not pran Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of	censed persons is to have the property owner obtain an implies that the property owner is providing his or her own uilder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial person and his or her employees while working on my rovide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as if my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my
responsible for the construction and are not hiring. Tunderstand as an "Owner-Builder" I am to	quired to be signed by property owners unless they are ng a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility, ne responsible party of record on the permit. I understand risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit
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5. I understand if I employ or otherwise	engage any persons, other than California licensed on is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor r" under state and federal law.
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1. I understand under California Contractors' family residential structures cannot legally build the	State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single- nem with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work number of structures does not exceed four within any
8. I understand as an Owner-Builder if I sell th	he property for which this permit is issued, I may be held d by any subsequent owner(s) that result from any latent rials.
1 understand I may obtain more information of the Internal Revenue Service, the United States Small	on regarding my obligations as an "employer" from the all. Business Administration, the California Department of Industrial Accidents. I also understand I may contact

the California Contractors' State License Board (CSLB) at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) or www.cslb.ca.gov for



## OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

(OWNER-BUILDER DECLARATION, cont.)

Application Number: 090 K-10000-0308
Project Address: 6230 SUNSET
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10. I am aware of and consent to an Owner-Builder building permit applied for in my name, and understand that I am the party legally and financially responsible for proposed construction activity at the following address:
agree that, as the party legally and financially responsible for this proposed construction activity,
Lwill abide by all applicable laws and requirements that govern Owner-Builders as well as employers.  12. I agree to notify the issuer of this form immediately of any additions, deletions, or changes to any
of the information I have provided on this form. Licensed contractors are regulated by laws designed to
protect the public. If you contract with someone who does not have a license, the Contractors' State License Board may be unable to assist you with any financial loss you may
sustain as a result of a complaint. Your only remedy against unlicensed Contractors may be in civil court. It is also important for you to understand that if an unlicensed Contractor or employee of that individual or
firm is injured while working on your property, you may be held liable for damages. If you
obtain a permit as Owner-Builder and wish to hire Contractors, you will be responsible for verifying whether or not those Contractors are properly licensed and the status of their workers' compensation insurance
coverage. Before a building permit can be issued, this form must be completed and signed by the property owner and returned to the agency responsible for issuing the permit.
Note: A copy of the property owner's driver's license, form notarization, or other verification acceptable to the agency is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's signature.
Owner's Name: MEUSSA LOEFFELHOLZ.
Signature of property owner Melissa Leffeling Date: 11/25/09
SEC. 3. Section 19830 of the Health and Safety Code is repealed.
SEC. 4. Section 19831 of the Health and Safety Code is repealed. SEC. 5. Section 19832 of the Health and Safety Code is repealed.

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Application for Unreasonable Hardship to Disabled Access Requirements (Form A)
(For Existing Buildings Where Cost of Construction does not exceed \$126,764.66 (rev. 1-2009) Sec. 1134B.2.1 Exc. 1)

Project Address: 6230 SUNSET		Plan Check # 1		
Project Description: NE	W 19259 FT. 7R00F	Total Construction	Cost (project valuation)	
t is requested that the above	ed below. The specific accessi	ion from the requirements of the S	tate of California Title 24, Accessibility may be exempted but not all of them.	
Access Features item Provide description below	Does this feature meet latest edition of Title 24?	If not, is this feature going to be made accessible as part of this permit?	If so, cost of making feature accessible? (Documentation may be required)	
Path of travel to entrance	YES_	~ WA	\$	
2. Entrance to Building	YES	N/A	\$	
<ol> <li>Path of travel within building / facility to area remodel</li> </ol>	YES		* N/A	
4. Elevator	VES		\$	
5. Restrooms	_ NO	APJUST LOCATION OF	F \$ 2 000	
<ol> <li>Public telephones if provided</li> </ol>	YES	4	\$	
<ol><li>Drinking fountains if provided</li></ol>	Yes		\$	
8. Other (parking, etc.)	YES		\$	
Total Cost of access features	provided (A)		\$ 2000	
Total cost of construction (B)			\$ 10,000	
(A + B) x 100% (20% minimur	n expenditure is required)		2011-	
Has the same tenant performe	ed work in the same tenant spa	ce, within the last three years?	-50,	
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REVIEWED BY:

Ifa Kashefi, Chief Engineering Bureau

RECOMMENDED BY:

Raymond Chan **Executive Officer**  APPROVED:

Andrew A. Adelman, P.E.

General Manager

Distribution:

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## **Additional Contemporary Photos**



North and west elevations, view southeast (PCR 2014)



West elevation and parking lot, view east (PCR 2014)



Porte-cochère and northwest corner, view southeast (PCR 2014)



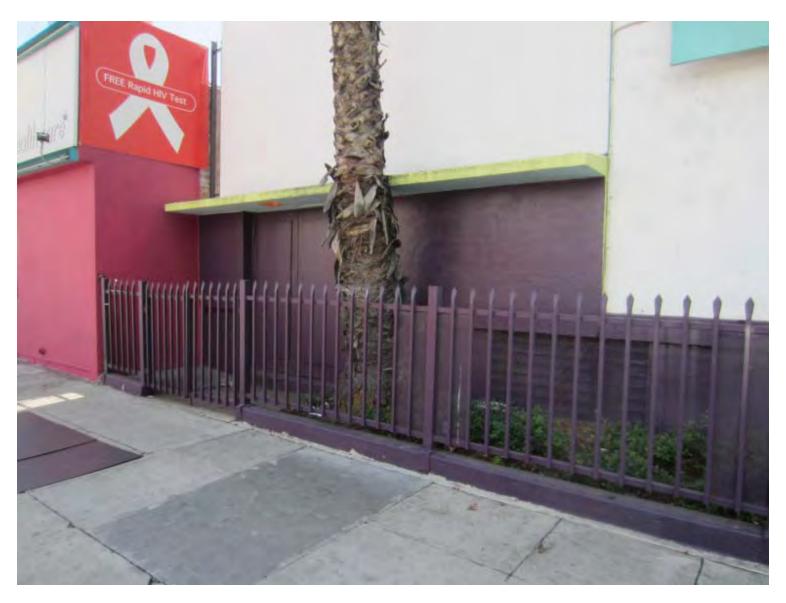
West elevation showing fire escape and ribbon windows (PCR 2014)



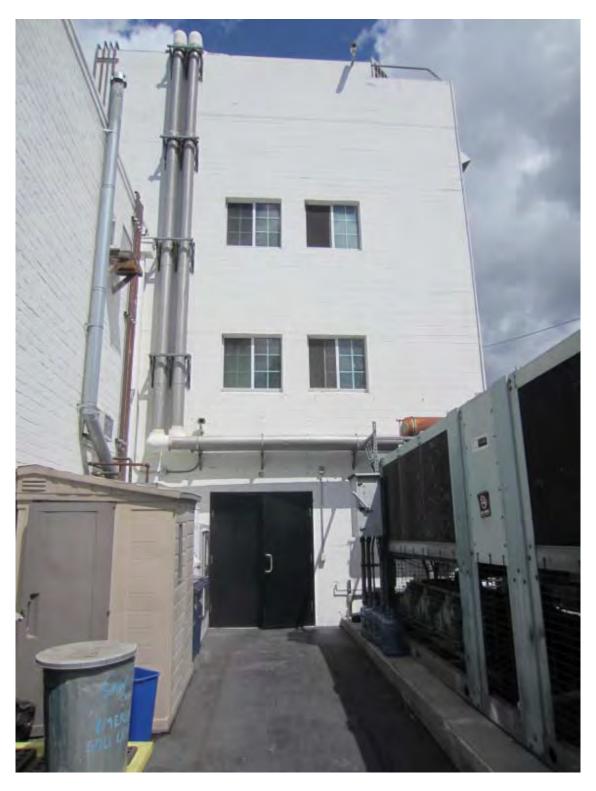
North and east elevations, view southwest (PCR 2014)



Detail of western end of north elevation, showing fenestration, piers, and semicircular planters, view southwest (PCR 2014)



North elevation, view southeast (PCR 2014)



 $Original\ wall\ of\ rear\ (south)\ elevation,\ with\ original\ fenestration\ pattern,\ view\ north\ (PCR\ 2014)$ 



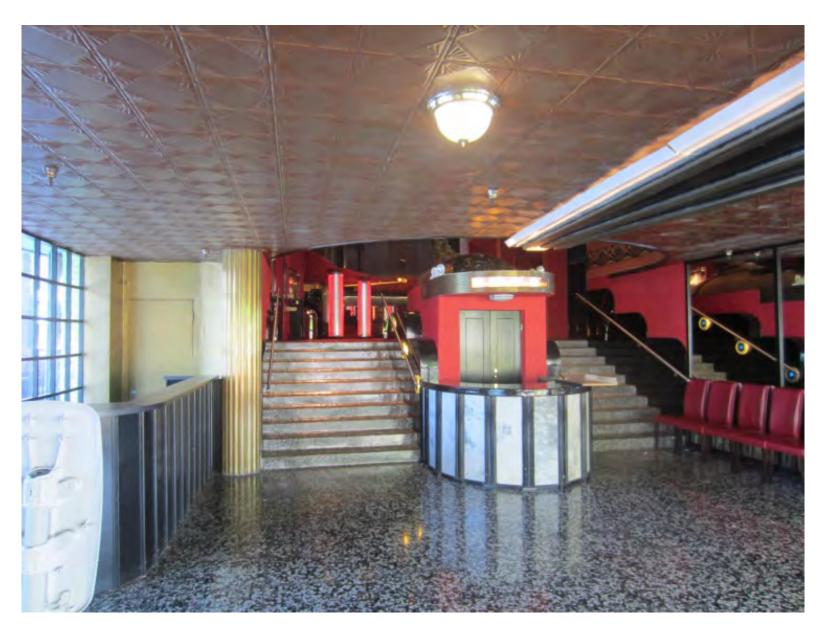
Addition to the rear (south) elevation, view north (PCR 2014)



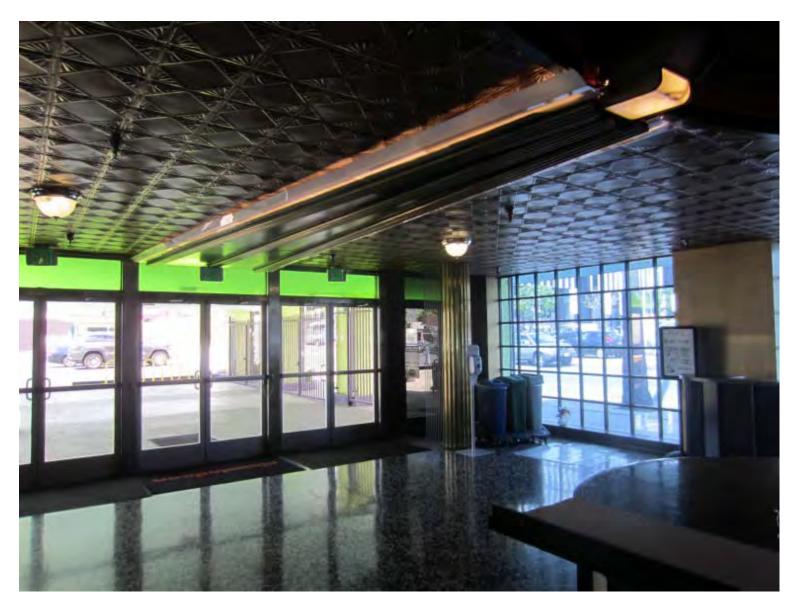
Porte-cochère, view south (PCR 2014)



Porte-cochère and main entry, view east (PCR 2014)



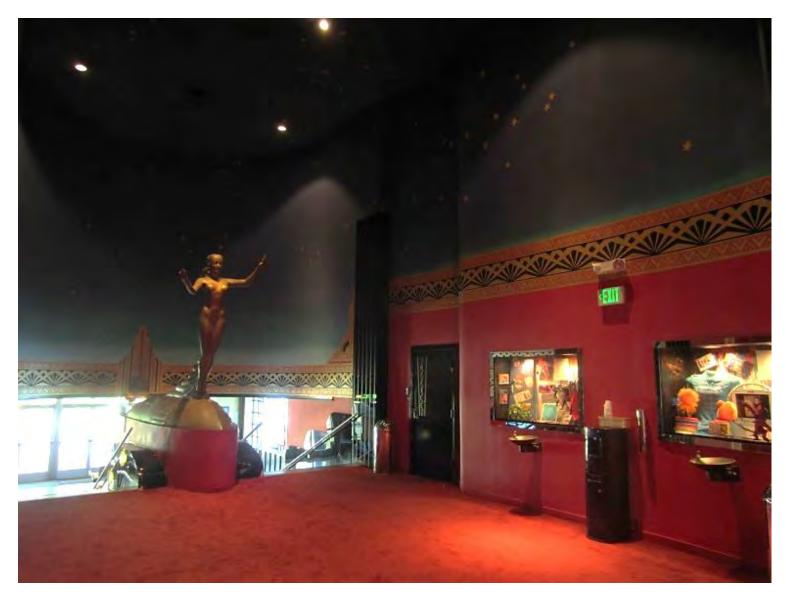
Lobby entry and ticket counter (PCR 2014)



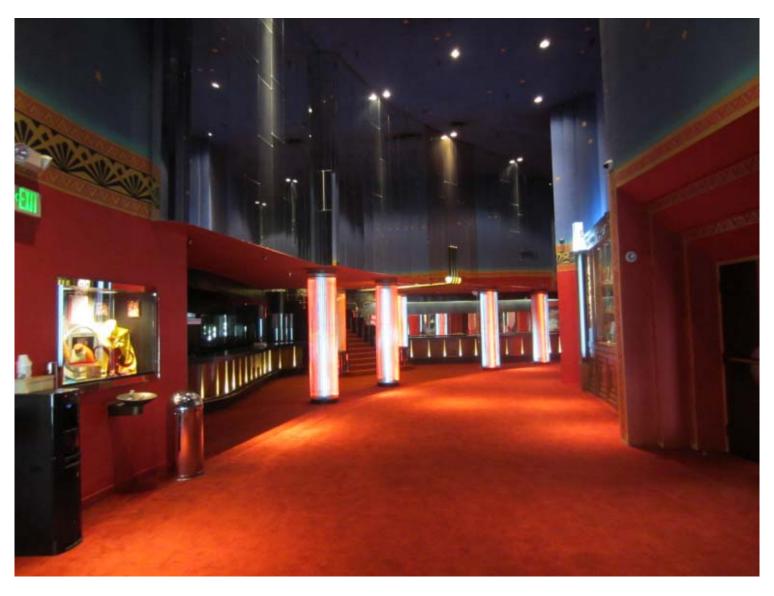
Lobby entry, view northwest (PCR 2014)



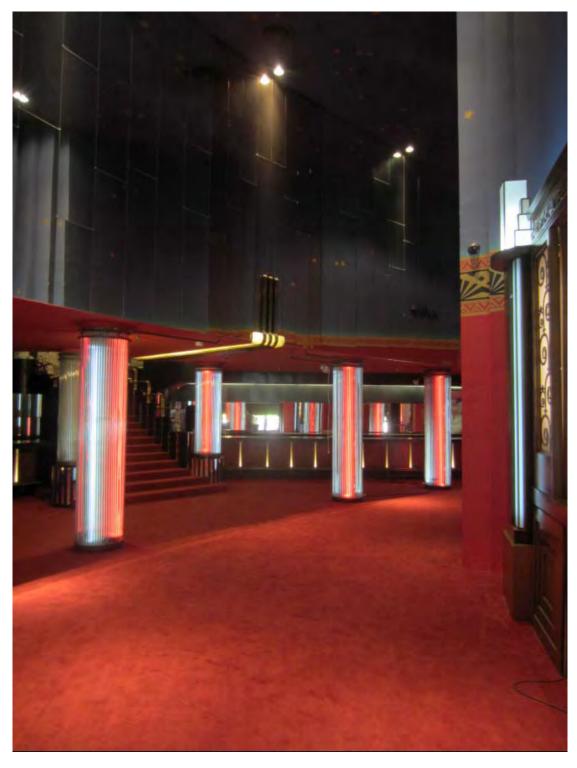
Black structural glass wall and attached fluted column north of entrance (PCR 2014)



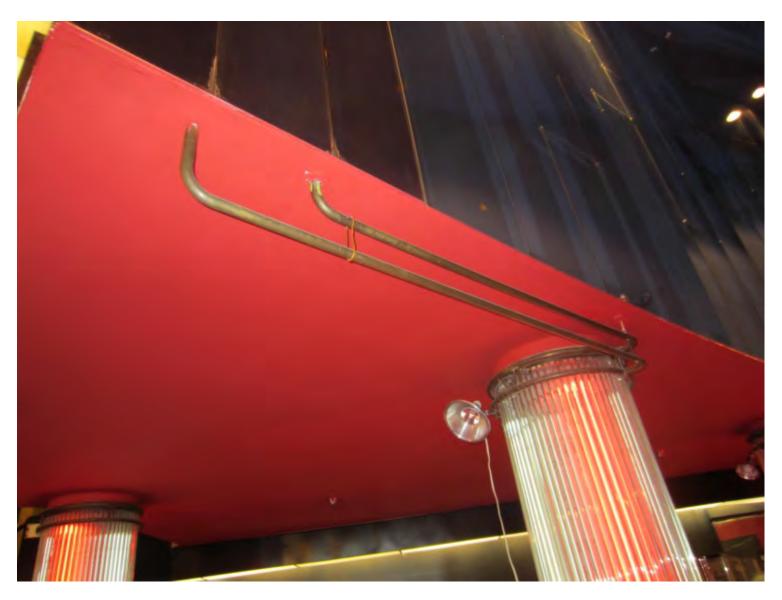
Female sculptural figure signed by Martin Deutsch at top of stairs to the main lobby, with convex wall and glass panels framing the stairs behind (PCR 2014)



Main lobby passageway showing western and eastern bar areas, fluted glass and plexi columns, and smoke colored mirrors over imperial staircase, view east (PCR 2014)



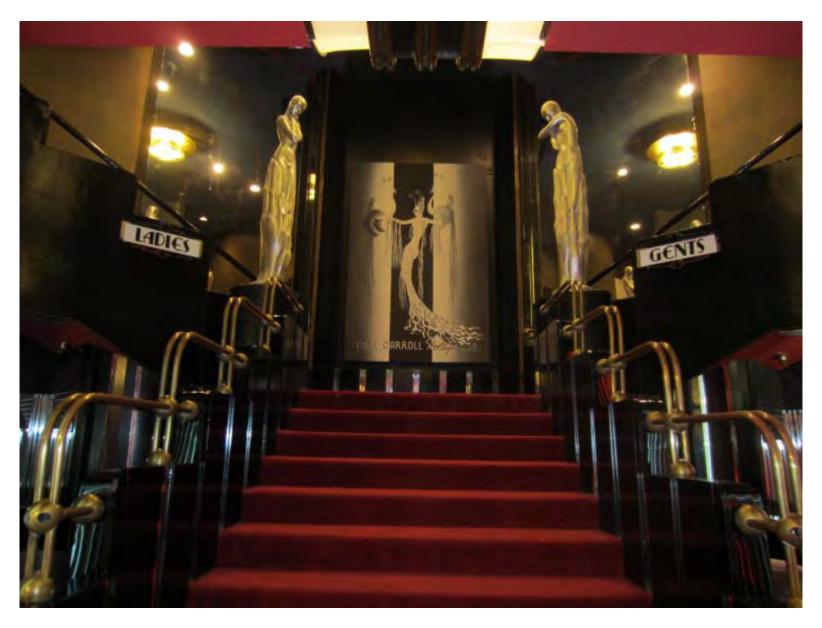
Streamline Moderne lighting well above imperial staircase and brass decorative ceiling feature. Smoke colored mirrors on section of the wall above , view northeast (PCR 2014)



Brass decorative ceiling features near column just east of imperial staircase (PCR 2014)



Western bar area with etched glass artwork, view northeast (PCR 2014)



Imperial staircase flanked by stepped curvilinear brass handrails and two sculptures by Willy Pogany (PCR 2014)

# **Historic Photographs**

### **Exterior**



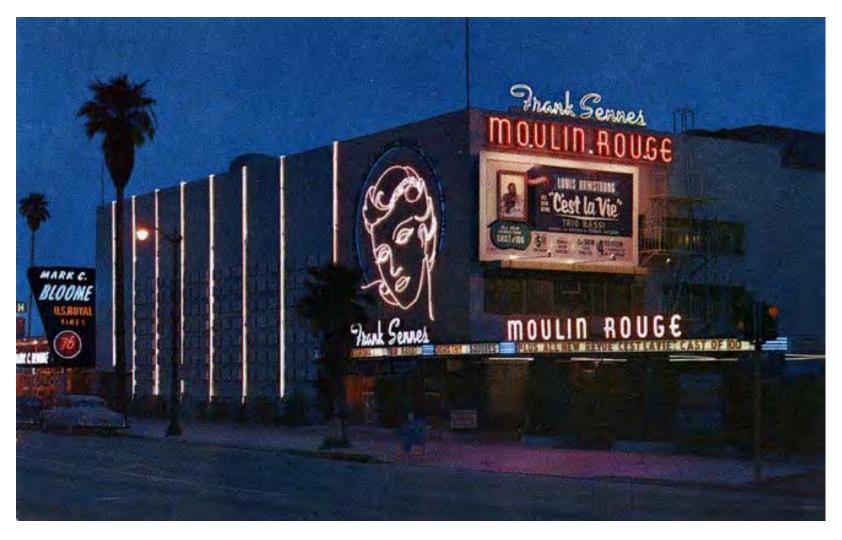
Earl Carroll Theater circa 1938 from the WPA Collection (Los Angeles Public Library)



Earl Carroll Theater c.1938, photo by Bob Plunkett (Los Angeles Public Library)



Earl Carroll Theater circa 1939 (Alison Martino's "Vintage Los Angeles," http://martinostimemachine.blogspot.com/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html, accessed April 23, 2014)



ECT Building as the Moulin Rouge in the 1961 (Alison Martino's "Vintage Los Angeles," http://martinostimemachine.blogspot.com/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html#!/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html)



ECT Building as club called Hullabaloo in the late 1960s (Alison Martino's "Vintage Los Angeles," http://martinostimemachine.blogspot.com/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html#!/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html)



ECT Building as the Aquarius Theater in 1970 (Alison Martino's "Vintage Los Angeles," http://martinostimemachine.blogspot.com/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html#!/2009/09/blog-post\_27.html from the Richard Wojcik Collection)

# <u>Interior</u>



Original lobby entry and ticket counter, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



View of sculpture at main lobby entrance, August 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



View of dining area of theater, with sculpture visible in the background (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



Western (left) and eastern (right) bar areas, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



Western bar area, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



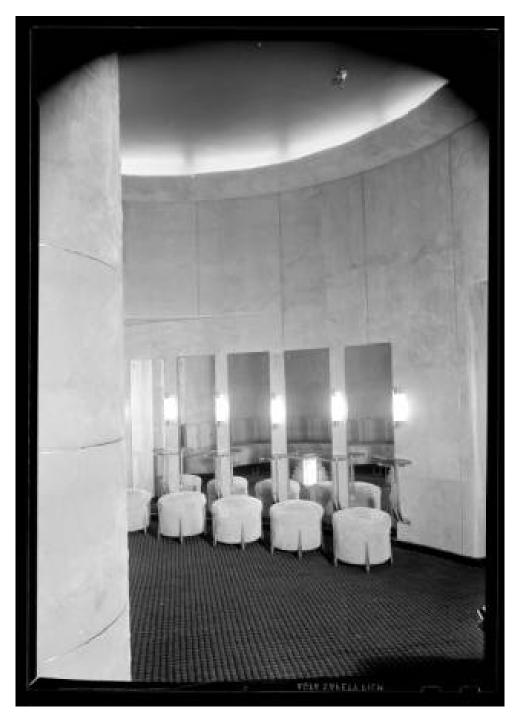
Imperial staircase, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



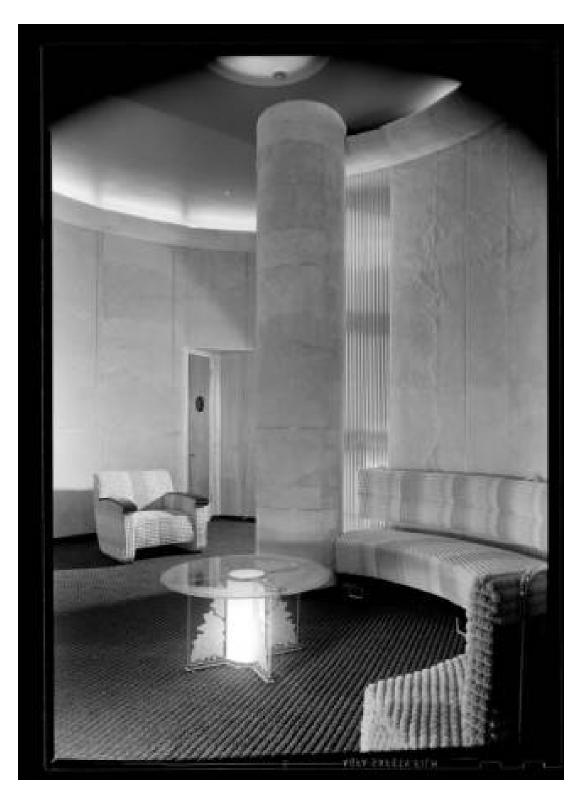
Two statues at the top of the imperial staircase, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



View of one of a pair of statues at the top of the imperial staircase, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



Entry to lounge of women's restroom, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



Lounge of women's restroom, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



View of dining area from the stage, view northeast, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



East wall of the dining area as viewed from the stage, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



Opening for boxed seats on wall, 1939 (Maynard Parker Collection, Huntington Digital Library)



# City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning

## 8/5/2016 PARCEL PROFILE REPORT

PROPERTY ADDRESSES

6230 W SUNSET BLVD

ZIP CODES

90028

RECENT ACTIVITY

Adaptive Reuse Incentive Spec. Pln-

Ord 175038 CHC-2016-1612-HCM

ENV-2016-1613-CE AA-2014-752-PMEX ENV-2014-751-EAF

Hollywood Signage SUD

**CASE NUMBERS** 

CPC-2016-1450-CPU

CPC-2014-750-VZC-HD-DB-SPP-SPR

CPC-2007-5866-SN

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Address/Legal Information

PIN Number Lot/Parcel Area (Calculated)

Thomas Brothers Grid PAGE 593 - GRID F4

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6,050.0 (sq ft)

5546025002 Assessor Parcel No. (APN)

TR 4884

M B 55-3/4 (SHTS 1-2) Map Reference

Block None Lot None Arb (Lot Cut Reference)

147A189 Map Sheet

Jurisdictional Information

Hollywood Community Plan Area Central Area Planning Commission

Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council CD 13 - Mitch O'Farrell Council District

Census Tract# 1908.01

LADBS District Office Los Angeles Metro

Planning and Zoning Information

None Special Notes C4-2D-SN Zoning

ZI-1352 Hollywood Redevelopment Project Zoning Information (ZI)

ZI-2331 Hollywood (CRA Area)

ZI-2374 LOS ANGELES STATE ENTERPRISE ZONE

ZI-2277 Hollywood Redevelopment Project

ZI-2452 Transit Priority Area in the City of Los Angeles

Regional Center Commercial General Plan Land Use

General Plan Footnote(s) Yes Hillside Area (Zoning Code) No Baseline Hillside Ordinance No **Baseline Mansionization Ordinance** No Specific Plan Area None

Special Land Use / Zoning None Design Review Board No Historic Preservation Review No Historic Preservation Overlay Zone None None Other Historic Designations Other Historic Survey Information None

Mills Act Contract None POD - Pedestrian Oriented Districts None CDO - Community Design Overlay None NSO - Neighborhood Stabilization Overlay No

Sign District Hollywood (CRA Area)

Streetscape

Adaptive Reuse Incentive Areas Adaptive Reuse Incentive Area

Ellis Act Property No

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Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) No

Hollywood Redevelopment Project CRA - Community Redevelopment Agency

Central City Parking No Downtown Parking No None **Building Line** 500 Ft School Zone No No 500 Ft Park Zone

Assessor Information

Assessor Parcel No. (APN) 5546025002

Ownership (Assessor)

ESSEX PROTFOLIO LP Owner1 925 E MEADOW DR Address PALO ALTO CA 94303

Ownership (Bureau of Engineering, Land

Records)

ESSEX PORTFOLIO, L. P. ATTN: MAIL STOP, PROPERTY TAX Owner

925 E MEADOW DRIVE Address

PALO ALTO CA 94303

APN Area (Co. Public Works)\* 0.824 (ac)

6120 - Legitimate Theater Use Code

Assessed Land Val. \$10,259,535 Assessed Improvement Val. \$1,675,024 Last Owner Change 07/19/06 Last Sale Amount \$24,000,240 200 Tax Rate Area

562726 Deed Ref No. (City Clerk)

Building 1

1938 Year Built 0 Number of Units Number of Bedrooms Number of Bathrooms

40,858.0 (sq ft) **Building Square Footage** 

**Building 2** 

Year Built 1938 C6C **Building Class** Number of Units 0 Number of Bedrooms Number of Bathrooms

**Building Square Footage** 54,968.0 (sq ft) No data for building 3 **Building 3 Building 4** No data for building 4 No data for building 5 **Building 5** 

**Additional Information** 

None Airport Hazard Coastal Zone None

Farmland Area Not Mapped

No Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone Fire District No. 1 Yes Flood Zone None Watercourse No

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Hazardous Waste / Border Zone Properties No Methane Hazard Site None No High Wind Velocity Areas Special Grading Area (BOE Basic Grid Map A-No

13372)

### Seismic Hazards

Oil Wells

Active Fault Near-Source Zone

Nearest Fault (Distance in km) 1.1777472 Hollywood Fault Nearest Fault (Name)

Transverse Ranges and Los Angeles Basin Region

None

Fault Type

1.00000000 Slip Rate (mm/year)

Slip Geometry Left Lateral - Reverse - Oblique

Poorly.Constrained Slip Type 14.00000000 Down Dip Width (km) Rupture Top 0.00000000 Rupture Bottom 13.00000000 70.00000000 Dip Angle (degrees) 6.40000000 Maximum Magnitude

Alquist-Priolo Fault Zone No Landslide No Liquefaction No Preliminary Fault Rupture Study Area No Tsunami Inundation Zone No

**Economic Development Areas** 

**Business Improvement District** SUNSET AND VINE

Promise Zone Yes Renewal Community No

Revitalization Zone Central City

LOS ANGELES STATE ENTERPRISE ZONE State Enterprise Zone

Targeted Neighborhood Initiative None

**Public Safety** Police Information

> Bureau West Division / Station Hollywood Reporting District 666

Fire Information

West Bureau 5 Batallion District / Fire Station 27 Red Flag Restricted Parking No

### CASE SUMMARIES

Note: Information for case summaries is retrieved from the Planning Department's Plan Case Tracking System (PCTS) database.

Case Number: CPC-2016-1450-CPU

Required Action(s): CPU-COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE

Project Descriptions(s): UPDATE TO THE HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY PLAN

Case Number: CPC-2014-750-VZC-HD-DB-SPP-SPR

Required Action(s): DB-DENSITY BONUS

HD-HEIGHT DISTRICT

SPP-SPECIFIC PLAN PROJECT PERMIT COMPLIANCE

SPR-SITE PLAN REVIEW
VZC-VESTING ZONE CHANGE

Project Descriptions(s): Data Not Available

Case Number: CPC-2007-5866-SN

Required Action(s): SN-SIGN DISTRICT

Project Descriptions(s): HOLLYWOOD SIGN SUD AMENDMENT

Case Number: CPC-2003-2115-CRA

Required Action(s): CRA-COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
Project Descriptions(s): First Amendment to the Hollywood Redevelopment Plan

Case Number: CPC-2002-4173-SUD

Required Action(s): SUD-SUPPLEMENTAL USE DISTRICT ("K" DIST., "O" DISTRICT, ETC.)

Project Descriptions(s): Data Not Available
Case Number: CPC-1999-324-ICO

Required Action(s): ICO-INTERIM CONTROL ORDINANCE

Project Descriptions(s):

Case Number: CPC-1999-2293-ICO

Required Action(s): ICO-INTERIM CONTROL ORDINANCE
Project Descriptions(s): INTERIM CONTROL ORDINANCE.

Case Number: CPC-1986-835-GPC

Required Action(s): GPC-GENERAL PLAN/ZONING CONSISTENCY (AB283)

Project Descriptions(s): PLAN AMENDMENTS AND ZONE CHANGES FOR THE HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY PLAN REVISION/ZONING CONSISTENCY

**PROGRAM** 

Case Number: ZA-1993-700-ZV
Required Action(s): ZV-ZONE VARIANCE

Project Descriptions(s): REQUEST FOR AN AUDIENCE SOUND STAGE WITH AUDIENCE FOR MOTION PICTURE FILMING AND TELEVISION

BROADCASTING IN C4 AND R4 ZONE.

Case Number: ENV-2016-1451-EIR

Required Action(s): EIR-ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Project Descriptions(s): UPDATE TO THE HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY PLAN

Case Number: ENV-2014-751-EIR

Required Action(s): EIR-ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Project Descriptions(s): APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A VESTING ZONE CHANGE AND HEIGHT DISTRICT CHANGE FROM C4-2D-SN TO [Q]C4-SD-SN

TO ALLOW 4.5:1 FAR ON THE NORTHEAST AND NORTHWEST LOTS (LAMC 12.32); AND FROM R4-2D TO [Q]C4-2D TO ALLOW 4.5;1 FAR ON SOUTHWEST LOTS AND SOUTHEAST LOTS (LAMC 12.32). FURTHERMORE, THE APPLICANT REQUEST A DENSITY BONUS TO PERMIT A 200-UNIT RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, WITH 5% RESTRICTED TO VERY LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AND UTILIZATION OF PARKING OPTION 1 PER LAMC 12.21-A.4.(LAMC 12.22-A,25(D)(1))CONTINUING THE APPLICANT REQUEST PROJECT PERMIT COMPLIANCE FOR SINAGE WITHIN THE HOLLYWOOD SIGNAGE

SUPPLEMENTAL USE DISTRICT (LAMC 11.5.7); AND SITE PLAN REVIEW FOR A PROJECT WITH GREATER THAN 50

RESIDENTIAL UNITS.

Case Number: ENV-2003-1377-MND

Required Action(s): MND-MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Descriptions(s): Approval of a proposed Sign Supplemental Use District pursuant to Section 13.11 of the LAMC for the Hollywood Redevelopment

Project Area

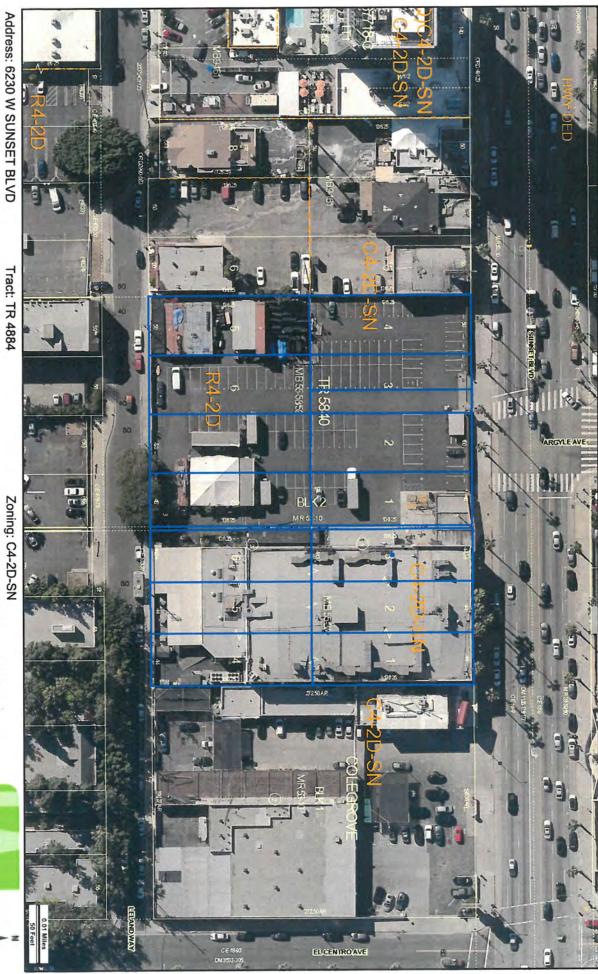
### DATA NOT AVAILABLE

ORD-181340 ORD-176172 ORD-173562

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ORD-165652-SA180 ORD-129944 AFF-10146 AF-93-744217-LT



APN: 5546025002 PIN #: 147A189 63

Lot: 3

Arb: None

Block: None

General Plan: Regional Center Commercial