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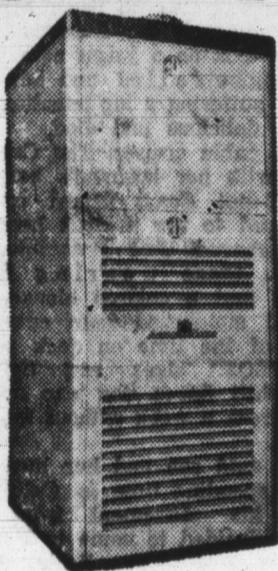
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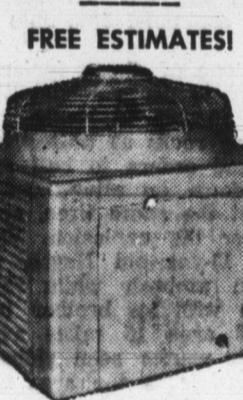
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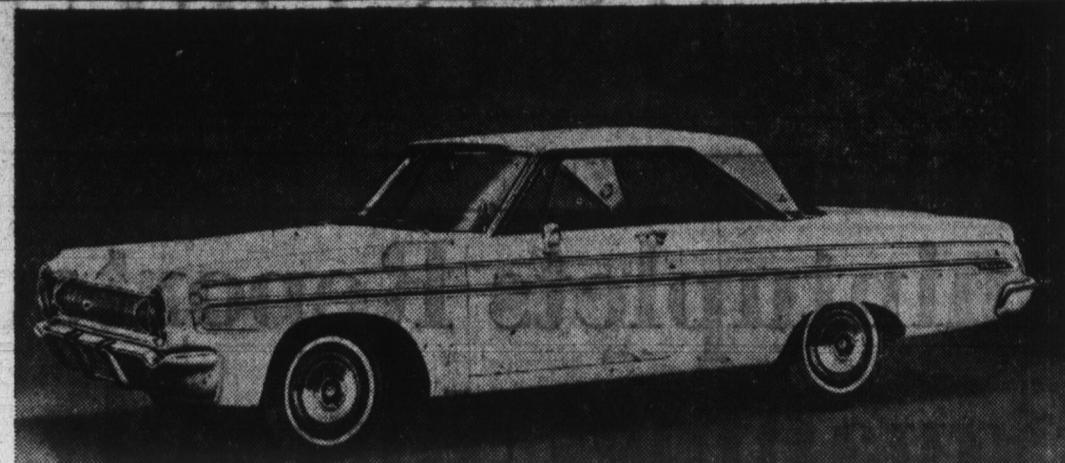
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Rooms Need A Center Of Interest For Pleasing Furniture Arrangement

Interesting furniture arrangement can be the logic "key" to an attractive living room, tying style and color together into a well-coordinated setting.

An appealing room seldom gets that way by accident, points out Ralph Sherwin, chief designer of Libby-Owens-Ford Glass Company. It requires some careful planning to avoid continually shifting furnishings here and there without ever achieving completely satisfactory results.

To BEGIN WITH, Mr. Sherwin advises forming an attractive "center of interest" as a focal point around which the room arrangement can be built a step at a time. Such a "hub" can usually be found in an unusual, somewhat different piece of furniture which, although functional, can double as a conversation piece; a tastefully balanced "island" grouping of chairs, a table and a sofa, or an architectural feature in the room such as a fireplace or a window wall with a pleasing view.

Take for example, a living room with a wall of Thermopane insulating glass which opens onto an adjoining patio or lawn. The designer suggests making this spot the center of interest by arranging a living unit around the glass, not in front of it. "Traffic flow within the room and to and from the outdoors, as well as full enjoyment of the view are essential points to remember when laying out furnishings in a glass walled room," he said. "There is little merit in having a home designed to gain

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When planning a room, keep in mind that the most important "decoration" is not necessarily the carpet, sofa or the table, impressive as they may be, but the room's four walls.

Yet the walls, says Margaret Pilioid, interior designer of Libby-Owens-Ford Glass Company, are often ignored in the choice of accessories. As a result, mirrors, pictures, draperies and other against-the-wall decorations are often chosen thoughtlessly and consequently produce conflict rather than harmony with the prevailing wall pattern.

IN THE CASE of mirrors, for example, Miss Pilioid suggests using a narrow, simple frame or no frame at all against walls which are papered in an intricate pattern. The mirror will then provide relief from the pattern by reflecting furniture and draperies elsewhere in the room, rather than adding to the complexity by imposing a design of its own.

Against a solid-color wall, especially one of neutral tone, Mrs. Pilioid suggests a wide eye catching frame to focus attention on the mirrored plate glass surface and away from the expanse of wall. This idea can be used to create even greater interest by using a mirror designed entirely for decoration, an example being the popular method of acid-etching designs on the surface.

THE SIZE AND SHAPE of the wall is also an important consideration when choosing a mirror, the designer added, as the correct shape will help achieve worthwhile space illusions in a room. For example, a tall, narrow mirror will help create an impression of added height in a room with a low ceiling, while a large mirror hung horizontally will seem to lower the ceiling and widen the wall.

THE SAME GENERAL RULES that are applied to the choice and hanging of mirrors can also serve as guides in choosing pictures, draperies and other wall-mounted decorations, Miss Pilioid said. In general, a good rule-of-thumb is to select simple pieces if the background is complex, and more ornate pieces for a plain background.

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