

headquarters for playback or for production. ASC/AIA President Jerry Compton has more information on the system at AIA headquarters, tel. 202/785-7272.

—Sept. 15 is the entry form due date for the **1977 Exhibition of School Architecture**, scheduled for the Feb. 25-28 American Association of School Administrators convention in Las Vegas. The entry fee is \$125 for each two-mount entry, \$250 for each four-mount entry. Entry forms and detailed information on eligibility are available from AIA chapter offices, from the Design Programs office at AIA headquarters (tel. 202/785-7366), or from AASA, 1801 N. Moore St., Arlington, Va. 22209.

—The New York Chapter/AIA has announced that architect John T. Plaxco of Auburn, Ala., will receive the \$5,000 **1976 Le Brun Travelling Fellowship**. Plaxco was chosen to receive the nationally competitive stipend on the basis of his solution for an urban waterfront design problem. The NYC/AIA has also announced presentation of the \$5,000 **1976 Arnold W. Brunner Scholarship** to Jean Ferriss Leich of Ruston, La., for her preparation of a book of renderings by her late father, architectural delineator Hugh Ferriss, FAIA.

—**Marketers and managers in architectural firms** should take note of two new seminar series sponsored by the Professional Services Management Journal (PSMJ). "The Public Agency Market" will focus on finding and negotiating contracts with government agencies, with instruction by PSMJ editor Michael Hough and noted marketer Gerre Jones. Sessions are set for Sept. 22-23 in Washington, D.C.; Oct. 6-7 in Chicago;

Nov. 3-4 in Las Vegas, and Nov. 18-19 in New Orleans. "Management for Project Managers" will highlight specific management tools enumerated by PSMJ editor Hough and an A-E firm project manager from each host city. The seminars are scheduled for Oct. 13 in Newark, N.J.; Oct. 20 in Chicago; Nov. 5 in Los Angeles, and Nov. 17 in Memphis. Registration information on both seminars is available from Hough at PSMJ, P.O. Box 11316, Newington, Conn. 06111, tel. 203/666-9487.

—**The golfing members of the Royal Institute of British Architects** (RIBA) have suggested through their captain, D. Y. Davies, RIBA, that there be a competitive meeting of teams representing AIA and RIBA. It is proposed that an AIA team captained by Raleigh architect F. Carter Williams, FAIA, and a RIBA team meet for a first round in Pinehurst, N.C. in April, 1977, and for a second round in England in 1978. Under the present proposal, each team will consist of eight golfers with scratch-to-five handicaps and an additional eight with five-to-fifteen handicaps. Spouses will be invited to accompany team members for four days and three nights at the Pinehurst Hotel, at an approximate cost of \$250-300 per competitor and \$225 per spouse. Any interested AIA members are asked to respond, indicating both handicap and ability to attend both rounds, to Assistant Secretary J. W. Rankin, Hon. AIA, at Institute headquarters.

—As part of an agreement between Sweden and the United States on cooperation in rapid excavation and rock tunneling, arrangements have been made for a **Swedish Underground**

Construction Mission to tour the U.S. this fall and present seminars in six cities across the country during October. The seminars are open, free of charge, to all professionals interested in meeting the delegation of Swedish experts and sharing the newest developments in underground environmental design, planning, and construction, rapid excavation, and tunneling methods. Professor H. C. Fischer and Dr. Sten G. A. Bergman will lead the seminars, scheduled for Oct. 4 in San Francisco, Oct. 6 in Denver, Oct. 8 in Houston, Oct. 11 in Chicago, Oct. 13 in Washington, D.C., and Oct. 15 in New York. For complete details, invitations, and advanced registration information, contact project manager Bjorn Bieneck, Swedish Trade Commissioner, 333 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60601.

—The University of Utah Graduate School of Architecture and the Utah Society/AIA will sponsor **the first Seismic Seminar to be held in the East**, Nov. 20-22 in Princeton, N.J. Registration is \$150 to AIA members (limited to 40 participants) and details are available from Burtch W. Beall Jr., 2188 Highland Dr., Salt Lake City, Utah 84106, tel. 801/466-1304.

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TASK FORCE FOCUSES ON ENERGY USE AT AIA HEAD-QUARTERS

Energy use in AIA's Washington headquarters will come under close scrutiny in the next few months as a new task force seeks ways to improve the building's energy efficiency.

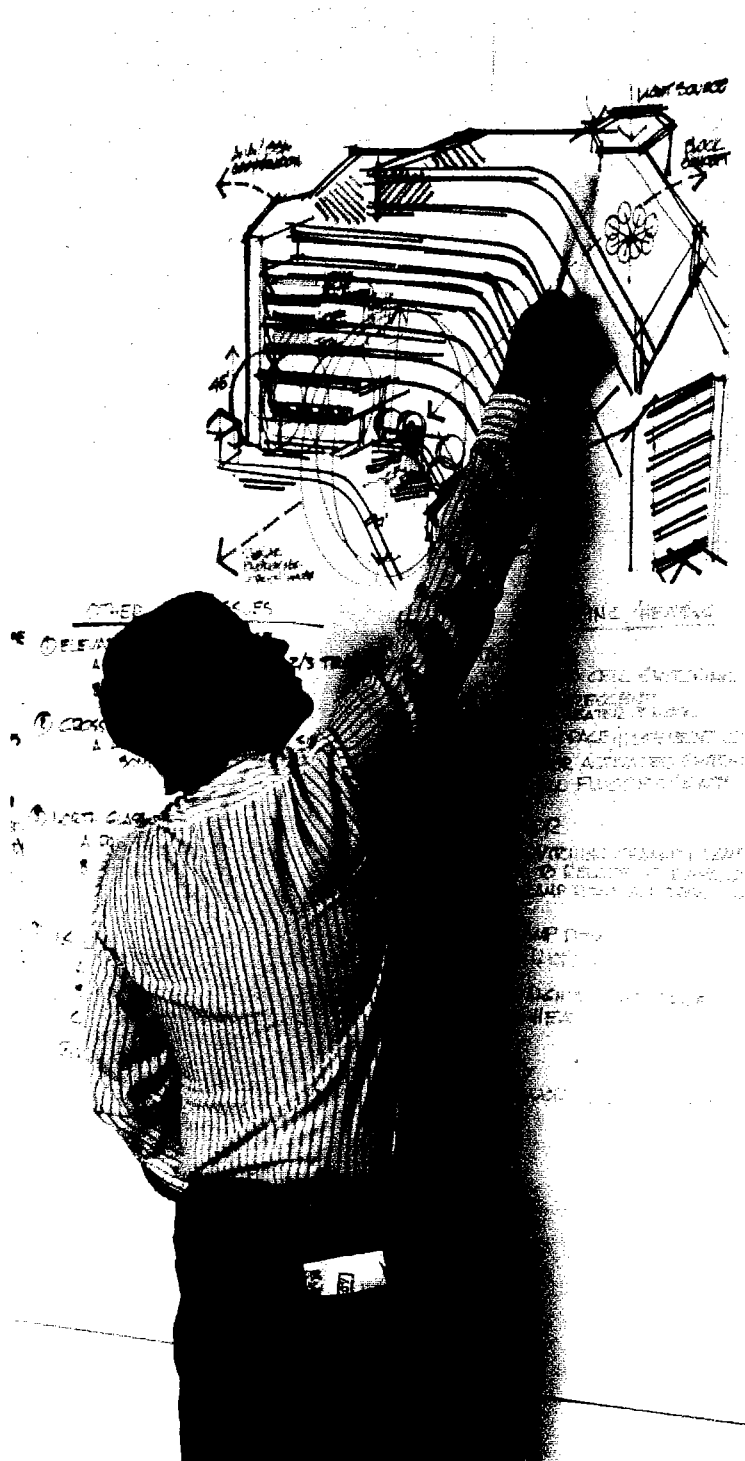
Goal of the project is to reduce energy consumption by 60 per cent. The task force will begin its work immediately and report its recommendations for action at the end of 1976.

Chairman of the task force is Herbert E. Duncan Jr., FAIA. Serving with him are Robert A. Burley and David L. Perkins, FAIA, both members of the Board of Directors Energy Committee.

The task force was appointed by President Louis de Moll, FAIA, following a two-day workshop demonstrating techniques used in educating architects in the principles of energy conscious design.

Workshop participants included national AIA officers, (among them First Vice President John M. McGinty, FAIA, shown at right during the workshop), members of the energy committee, and key staff personnel. The building's original architect and mechanical engineer also participated.

The workshop was one of a series conducted throughout the country by the AIA Research Corporation as part of a project on energy conscious design supported by the Federal Energy Administration.



REPUBLICANS HEAR AIA ENERGY PLAN

AIA President Louis de Moll, FAIA, has urged the Republican Party to make energy conservation in buildings a key element of the energy plank in the party's 1976 platform.

Speaking at platform hearings just before the opening of the GOP national convention in Kansas City, de Moll cited AIA studies of energy use in the built environment and voiced four major recommendations for the Republican platform:

- adoption of a high priority national effort to create an energy efficient built environment;
- federal development of energy conservation performance standards for new residential and commercial construction;
- creation of financial incentives to encourage energy conscious design and retrofitting of new and existing buildings, and
- increased emphasis on research and development of alternative energy resources.

A similar presentation to the Democratic Platform Committee by AIA Vice President Carl L. Bradley, FAIA, earlier this summer resulted in the adoption of major portions of AIA's proposal into the 1976 Democratic platform (see MEMO #518).

The final language in the energy plank of the Republican platform, adopted at the Kansas City convention, includes a line calling for "both expansion of energy supply and improvement of energy efficiency . . . at all levels of our society," and urging "expanded research and development in the use of solar, geothermal . . . and other sources of energy."