that I could walk into a ...sales store like Sears ...buck or Montgomery ...d and furnish a house ...ifully," author Russell ...ex told a press confer...

...rthermore, he said, de...ided not involve a single ...ne — "I'm sure Wool...th's and Gump's could be ...d. ..."

...ny piece of furniture ...intrinsic value—or even ...alue to you alone—can ...sed with any other piece ...alue," he explained. ...don't think there is a ...tag on taste at all."

Author

...ies, who is managing ...r of Harper's maga...

begins a three-day symposium entitled "The American Home as a Work of Art: The Inside Story," offered by the University of California Extension. Some 200 persons (at $40 each) had enrolled as the first session began in the Hall of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

Swing

Lynes predicted that another of the regular "swings" in American taste is imminent — a trend from the "spare" to "a romantic era."

Spare means furnishings with a minimum of decorative touches. And Lynes defined his interpretation of "romantic" as:

"More playful, less severe, less restrained. The search for the exotic. Our current trend toward the Japanese influence is a romantic notion, for example."

Husbands are joining wives in this trend to "romantic" furnishings, he noted. A cen-



RUSSELL LYNES
A trend to romantic

...distant think furniture has much to do with such things. "I presume the popularity of sex has remained pretty constant through the ages, regardless of decor," he remarked.

Comments

The current trend in building homes around a private, central courtyard, he noted, is understandably reminiscent of the days when each home had vast expenses of lawn around it. The vast lawn insured some privacy in the home. Now, with land prices tremendously higher, the house itself extends around the border of its smaller site.

His general comment on American taste, which he ...decor, the current shift in design is justified by its practitioners as "more honest." "This always happens," he said.

Lynes was to get a thorough look at modern San Francisco yesterday afternoon, but even before his tour he acknowledged that the whole country had heard of the San Francisco effort to save its Palace of Fine Arts.

He himself, he said, is a member of New York's Landmarks Preservation Commission, which seeks to prevent the razing of historic old structures by designating them as landmarks.

What could the English possibly mean by "Gordon's and splash?"

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with my fiance without getting married."

DISCUSSIONS

The situation was bad enough for the government to hold discussions with industrial groups, trade unions and social organizations before drafting its law.

The draft has not yet been published, but it is understood to provide that no one may be fired for getting married, and any contract specifying that marriage means automatic termination of employment will be null and void.

An employer found to have arbitrarily fired a girl because she married would have to re-employ her and pay all arrears of pay, allowances and social security contributions.

MATERNITY

The law isn't all one-sided. There is currently a compulsory three-month maternity leave, during which employers must keep up the woman's pay and allowances.

Under the new draft, the state will bear these costs—removing a powerful incentive for employers to get rid of married women.

Reuters

Johnson, Lady Bird in Jet Mishap

Dallas

An Air Force jet plane carrying Vice President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson skidded from a runway into the mud at Dallas Love Field airport yesterday. Nobody was injured.

The twin-jet T39, with the vice president in it, had stopped to pick up Mrs. Johnson.

After she got on, attendants refueled the plane, and the pilot taxied out on the main instrument runway to take off, but a left wheel slipped off and the wing tilted downward.

The Johnsons climbed out of the plane and took a commercial liner for Baltimore.

United Press

Freedom Rider To Speak Here

John Lowry, a Freedom Rider facing trial on kidnaping charges in Monroe, N. C., will speak at a public meeting sponsored by the Citizens' Committee for Racial Equality at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow, in Phillips Temple Methodist Church, 3332 Adeline street, Berkeley.

Lowry and two others were arrested last August after riots that followed establishment of an anti-segregation picket line by Freedom Riders and the Monroe Non-Violent Action Committee.

Dulles Says U-2 Secret Was Kept for 5 Years

New York

Allen Dulles, former head of the Central Intelligence Agency, last night described the U-2 intelligence flights as "the best-kept secret for five years of any other operation that I've known."

The former CIA chief said in a television interview that "for many years a subcommittee of the appropriations committee of the House and the Senate ... went over our entire budget, to whom we disclosed any information they wanted."

Members of the subcommittee "never" revealed any CIA secrets, Dulles said.

Dulles also said that he never shared criticism of pilot Francis Gary Powers, who was shot down inside Russia, and later released.

United Press

Marysville Fire

Marysville

A three-alarm fire virtually destroyed two floors of apartments in the Frye Building in downtown Marysville early yesterday. Damage was estimated at $100,000. There were no injuries.

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