

Lovely Loved Louvers

All the world loves a louver. Pardon the pun, but it's a fact that the beauty and versatility of louver doors and shutters has made them universally popular as a home building and decorating material.

Louver doors and shutters are favorites with interior decorators and architects because they provide the beauty and rich appeal of texture, doing away with flat, uninteresting surfaces.

Louvers also offer a functional service. A louver door on a closet or storage wall prevents mustiness because it permits air to circulate. Louver doors between rooms make heating and air conditioning more efficient.

Panels of Masonite 1/4" Tempered Plywood make ideal shutters for protecting windows in a summer cottage during the off-season.

Steel Furniture, Play Gear Set For Comfortable Outdoor Living

Nothing takes to the outdoors like steel — be it furniture, play equipment or even decorations.

Proof is on display at the Home of Steel, part of an industry-wide steel exhibit at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry, sponsored by American Iron and Steel Institute.

The building and decorating ideas incorporated in the "Home of Steel" can be utilized by today's

modern families who want the best in living at a moderate cost.

Light weight tubular steel is perfect for outdoor furniture — and indoors too for that matter. Steel fligree, mesh and S-shaped furniture are classic favorites. The durability of steel furniture is enhanced even further by new finishes, such as vinyl-coated. It resists wear for years in all types of weather.

THE BEAUTY of steel furniture is its delicate and graceful appearance. Yet, it is sturdily constructed without the handicap of additional weight.

Versatility is another great advantage of steel furniture. It can be adapted to innumerable designs and finishes. With steel you can get a variety of designs that would not be as readily achieved in other metals.

The outdoor furniture at the Home of Steel boasts elegant garden furniture. Included are metal tables, side chairs and a chaise longue, all made of white vinyl-coated steel accented with nautical blue upholstery. It makes a perfect outdoor setting combining ease and charm.

When it comes to the outdoors, putting up a playground for the youngsters is a wonderful way to keep them healthfully occupied and out of mischief.

MUCH THOUGHT has gone in-

to outdoor play equipment since today's parents were youngsters. Units for play and exercise are designed for children of various ages.

Play units need not be just a miscellaneous group of items. Today they are designed on the basis of modern knowledge of youngsters' physical needs, coordinating abilities and patterns of growth.

The climbing castle tower, a modern version of a jungle gym, is still a childhood favorite. Made of steel tubing, it is galvanized and rustproof and offers the youngsters a muscle-building challenge. Best of all—as far as parents are concerned—it can be assembled and installed without having to be set in concrete.

When buying playground equipment, be certain to look for steel in major and minor components. Steel construction will assure strength, long life, and freedom from splinters and sharp breaks that might cause injuries.

In addition, they are maintenance free and will give years of service without the necessity of ever taking them indoors.

The decorations you use on your patio make it uniquely your own, just as much as the decor of your home. And here too steel sets a scene of elegance.

So whether you want utility or beauty—or a combination of both—you'll find it's all possible with steel.



Furnishings for Casual Living

Comfort and charm for both the indoors and outdoors are visible in Molla's collection of steel furniture called "Festiva." Featured is a decorative motif of trailing ivy vines on basically uncluttered lines. Furniture ranges from upholstered seating pieces and occa-

sional chairs to dining and accessory tables for patio, playroom, lawn or any casual-living room. You can find "Festiva" at Jimmie's Rustic on Hamilton Row in Birmingham.



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