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TO City Editor Art Editor Household Editor

Dear Sir:

You are invited to come or send a representative to the

Press Preview of USEFUL OBJECTS an exhibition prepared by the Department of Industrial Design

Tuesday, November 20 2 to 6 P.M.

at the Museum of Modern Art 11 West 53 Street

The exhibition will open to the public Wednesday, November 21, and will remain on view through January 6. 1946. It will be the first of the Museum's before-Christmas Useful Objects exhibitions to be The exhibition will be shown in the Architecture held since 1942. and Industrial Design Gallery on the First Floor of the Museum.

For further information please telephone me at Circle 5-8900.

Sincerely yours. Sarah heromeyer

Sarah Newmeyer

Publicity Director

SIXTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF USEFUL OBJECTS

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This exhibition does not represent a complete coverage of all stores, but it is a sampling of objects from a wide variety of sources. In the listing of retail outlets, we have named the store from which the item was procured. This, however, is not necessarily the only source from which the object may be obtained.

As there is now only a trickle of new products appearing in stores, many of the items shown are in limited supply. While it is the Museum's policy always to give names of designer and manufacturer of each object, it has often not been possible to do so this year because many stores feel it necessary to protect themselves by guarding the sources of their supplies until products are more plentiful.

ABBREVIATIONS: des., DESIGNER; ret., RETAILER mfg., MANUFACTURER

PLASTICS

- 1. 6 Napkin rings. \$2.95
 ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer, department stores
- 2. Corn holders "Metaltex-Lucite" \$.25 ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer
- 3. Serving tray, red. \$1.35 mfg. Almo, N. Y. ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer
- 4. Toast cover, clear. \$3.95
 ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer,
 Abercrombie & Fitch, department
 stores
- 5. Turner, clear. \$.60 ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer
- 6. "Kant-Spill" training cup. \$1.00 mfg. Baby World Co. ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer, Lewis & Conger
- 7. Cigarette case, clear. \$1.00 mfg. Just Plastics, Inc. ret. George E. Milowitz, drug and department stores
- 8. "Videne" women's all plastic rain coat. \$1.95
 mfg. Richards, Boggs & King, Inc. ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 9. "Videne" acordion rain hood. \$.49 mfg. Richards, Boggs & King, Inc. ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 10. Rain hood, red. \$.59 ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 11. "Zel" pocket comb, clear. \$1.50 ret. Newton Pharmacy
- 12. "Gen-Weld" air pillow. \$2.00 ret. Lord & Taylor

- 13. Shoe trees. \$1.00
 ret. Lord & Taylor, department stores
- 14. Coat hanger. \$1.50 ret. - Lord & Taylor, department stores
- 15. Hat stands. ca. \$1.00 ret. Lord & Taylor, department stores
- 16. Cookie cutters, clear. ea. \$.05 mfg. Bachman Bros. Inc. ret. F. W. Woolworth Co., department and hardware stores
- 17. "Shell-Glo" funnel. \$,15 ret. F. W. Woolworth Co., department stores, hardware stores
- 18. "Cooks-Bonex" spoons, clear
 ea. \$\display\$.10
 ret. ten cent and hardware
 stores
- 19. Milk bottle cap. \$.05 mfg. - Kampa Mfg. Co. ret. - F. W. Woolworth Co.
 - 20. "No-Kink" cord cover. \$.36 mfg. Frank Paper Products ret. drug, stationery, and department stores
 - 21. Crumb tray and brush. \$7.00 ret. Can-Del-Luxe-Shops
 - 22. "Varco" photo frames, plexiglass $2\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ " \$.60 3 $\times 4\frac{1}{4}$ " \$.1.00 5 \times 7" \$2.50 ...
 - 23. Salt and pepper shakers.
 ea. \$1.00
 ret. Can-Del-Luxe Shops,
 department stores

- 24. "Varco" cigarette package holder. \$.76 ret. Dextor & Co.
- 25. Magnifior, clear frame. \$5.00 rot. Lugone, Inc., Opticians
- 26. Liquid compass, plastic case. \$3.50 mfg. Livingston Plastics Corp. ret. Lugene, Inc., Opticians
- 27. Polaroid Goggles. \$1.95 mfg. - American Optical Co. ret. - Lugene, Inc., Opticians
- 28. "Durabrite" Katchook. \$.25
 mfg. Plastic Molded Products, Inc.
 ret. department, hardware, and
 ten cent stores
- 29. "Durabrite" hoze nozzle. \$.59
 mfg. Plastic Molded Products, Inc.
 ret. department, hardware, and
 ten cent stores
- 30. "Durabrite" bodkin threader. \$.10 mfg. Plastic Molded Products, Inc. ret. department, hardware, and ten cent stores
- 31. "Durabrite" folding cup. \$.39
 mfg. Plastic Molded Products, Inc.
 ret. department, hardware, and
 ten cent stores
- 32. "Durdbrite" sink drainer. \$.50 mfg. Plastic Molded Products, Inc. ret. department, hardware and ten cent stores
- 33. Knife rack, clear. \$1.94 ret. R. H. Macy & Co., Inc.
- 34. "Tom Thumb" seasoners. pr. \$.50 mfg. Carvanite Products ret. department and gift stores
- 35. Sewing kit, plastic case. \$1.50 mfg. Gudebrod Bros., Silk Co., Inc. ret. Lewis & Conger, department and gift stores
- 36. 25' garden hose. \$10 ret. Lewis & Conger
- 37. Shoe horn, clear. \$3.95 ret. - Lewis & Conger, department stores
- 38. Shoe horn. \$1.00
 rot. Lewis & Conger, department
 stores
- 39. 8oz. measuring cup, clear. \$.50 mfg. B. W. Photo Utilities ret. department and photo stores
- 40. Egg Timer on plastic stand. \$.59 rot. department and hardware stores
- 41. Tumbler, red. \$.10 ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 42. Cereal bowl, red. \$.10 ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 43. Dish, red. \$.15 ret. - F. W. Woolworth Co.

- 44. Tumbling ball. \$4.00 mfg. Depage ret. Abercrombie & Fitch Co.
- 45. "Watertewn" dinnerware, set of 20 pieces \$6.99 mfg. Watertewn Mfg. Co. ret. Gimbel Bros., Inc.
- 46. "Rain Rattles," toys. \$1.00 mfg. Childhood Interests ret. Lowis & Conger

GLASS

- 51. Vase. \$1.95
 ret. James McCutcheon & Co.,
 gift and department stores
- 52. Round glass bowl, $12\frac{1}{2}$, \$1.95 mfg. Cambridge Glass Co. ret. Lewis & Conger, gift and department stores
- 53. Round glass bowl, 10 3/4".

 \$\text{Ql.98}\$

 mfg. Cambridge Glass Co.

 ret. Lowis & Conger, gift

 and department stores
- 54. Relish dish with 2 spoons.

 \$3.00

 mfg. Cambridge Glass Co.

 ret. gift and department

 stores
- 56. Highball glass. dz. \$6.00 mfg. Imperial Glass Corp. ret. Cardel Ltd.
- 57. Water tumbler. dz. \$540 mfg. Imperial Glass Corp. ret. Cardel Ltd.
- 58. Old-fashioned glass. dz. \$4.80 mfg. Imperial Glass Corp. ret. Cardel Ltd.
- 59. Juice glass. dz. \$4.20 mfg. Imperial Glass Corp. ret. Cardel Ltd.
- 60. Cocktail shakor. \$\tilde{4.25}\$
 mfg. A. H. Heisey & Co.
 rtt. Black Starr & Gorham,
 Inc.
- 61. Cereal bowls, opaque. 3 for \$.10 ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 62. Cups and saucers, opaque 3 for \$.25 ret. F. W. Woolworth
- 63. Plate, opaque. \$.10 ret. F. W. Woolworth
- 64. Magnifier. \$1.00
 ret. department and stationery stores

- 65. "Easy-to-See" outdoor thermometer.
 \$1.00

 mfg. Precision Products Co.

 ret. Lewis & Conger, department
 stores
- 66. Pyrex glass pie dish, 82". \$.20 mfg. Corning Glass Works ret. Department and hardware stores
- 67. Martini shaker and 8 glasses. \$5.50 ret. Evelyn Reed
- 68. Vase, 10". \$3.50 ret. Evelyn Reed

CERAMICS

- 71. Cup and saucer. \$.10 ret. F. W. Woolworth Co.
- 72. Ashtray with black glaze. \$5.00 des. Weylande Gregory ret. Artek-Pascoe
- 73. Deep bowl with blue glaze. \$.79 ret. R. H. Macy & Co.
- 74. Small bowls with blue glaze.
 4 for \$1.09
 ret. R. H. Macy & Co.
- 75. 4 qt. white bean pot, pottery.
 \$.75

 ret. department and houseware stores

METAL

- 80. "Zippo" cigarette lighter. \$2.50 mfg. Zippo Mfg. Co. ret. cigar, drug and department stores
- 81. "Service Lighter" cigarette lighter \$1.00

 mfg. Alfred Dunhill of London, Inc.
 ret. department, drug and cigar
 stores
- 82. "Ever Lite" cigarette lighter. \$4.50 ret. Peterson's Ltd., Inc., Rockefoller Center Tobacco Shop
- 83. Ice bucket and tongs, aluminum and plastic. \$7.50 *
- 84. Oval vegetable bowl, stainless steel. \$4.25 mfg. Carrollton Mfg. Co. ret. Lewis & Conger, houseware and department stores
- 85. Food Chopper, stainless steel.
 \$.60

 mfg. Trippe Mfg. Co.

 ret. hardware and department
 stores
- 86. Cookie sheet, aluminum. \$1.00
 mfg. Reynolds Metals Co.
 ret. hardware and department
 stores
- * Mfg. Yorkville Novelty Co. Ret. - hardware and department stores

- 87. Bake-storage pan, aluminum.

 \$.75

 mfg. Reynolds Metals Co.

 ret. hardware and department

 stores
- 88. "Universal" pressure cooker.
 \$11.95
 mfg. Landers, Frary & Clark
 ret. department and hardware
 stores
- 89. "Accentlite" swivel base ligting fixture with spun aluminum shade. \$10.00 mfg. and ret. General Lighting Co.
- 90. "Accentlite" ceiling lighting fixture with swivel stem and spun aluminum shade. \$10.50 mft. and ret. General Lighting Co.
- 91. "Accentlite" ceiling fixture with $4\frac{1}{4}$ " spun aluminum shade \$8.00 mfg. and ret. General Lighting Co.
- 92. "Accentlite" ceiling fixture with $6\frac{1}{4}$ " spun aluminum shade \$9.00 mfg. and ret. General Lighting Co.
- *93. "Accentlite" flexible gooseneck lighting fixture with $4\frac{1}{4}$ " spun aluminum shade. \$10.00
- *94. "Accentlite" flexible gooseneck lighting fixture with $6\frac{1}{2}$ " spun aluminum shade. \$11.00

WOOD

- 100. Bowl, maple, 9½ \$1.95 mfg. and ret. Klein's Gift Shop
- 101. Bowl, maple, 7 3/4". \$1.50 mfg. and ret. Klein's Gift Shop
- 102. Bowls, maple, $5\frac{1}{3}$. ea. \$.50 mfg. and ret. Klein's Gift Shop
- 103. Fork and spoon set, black walnut. \$1.25 ret. - Hammacher-Schlemmer
- 104. Butter ladle. \$.25
 ret. Houseware and department stores
- 105. Cutting board, maple. \$.69 ret. houseware and department stores
- 106. Stools with lacquered tops.
 ea. \$9.50
 des. Alvar Aalto
 mfg. and ret. Artek-Pascoc
 - * mfg. and ret. General Lighting Co.

- 112. Woven basket, Chinose, 1210. \$2.95 ret. George Tashjian
- 113. Covered woven basket, Moxican. 8"
 \$1.50
 ret. Pan-American Shop
- 114. Covered woven basket, Mexican 8 3/4". \$1.75 ret. Pan-American Shop
- 115. Covered woven basket, Mexican, 91. \$2.00 ret. Pan-American Shop
- 116. Woven waste basket, Mexican. \$3.00 ret. Pan-American Shop
- 117. Stool with woven fibre seat,

 Mexican. \$5.39

 ret. Abraham & Strauss, Inc.
- 118. Woven table mat, Mexican. \$.50 ret. Artek-Pascoe
- 119. Cork mat, round. \$.50 ret. Abercrombie & Fitch Co.
- 120. Whiskbroom, fibre. \$.50 ret. Arnold Constable & Co., department stores
- 121. Hand cart, metal. \$5.25 ret. Lewis and Conger
- 122. Out-door thermometer. \$2.00 mfg. Swift & Anderson, Inc. ret. Lewis & Conger, department and cutlery stores
- 123. "Bambi" Swiss alarm clock. \$4.68 ret. R. H. Macy & Co.
- 124. "Garcon" electric kitchen clock.
 \$3.95

 mfg. General Electric Corp.
 ret. department and houseware
 stores
- 125. Bottle Guard, fabric. \$1.75 mfg. - Venus Corp. rot. - Saks Fifth Avenue, Specialty stores
- 126. "Key-Chain-Lite" key ring with flash light. \$1.25 ret. Department and specialty stores
- 127. Double spectacle case, leather. \$3.50 ret. Lugene, Inc., Opticians
- 128. Utility mits, chamois. \$1.00 ret. Lewis & Conger, department stores
- 129. Cheese and butter slicer. \$.10 ret. F. W. Woolworth
- 130. Oven tongs. \$.79
 mfg. Combustion Specialty Co.
 rot. R. H. Macy & Co.

- 131. Carving set on wooden block.
 \$3.00

 mfg. Ekco Products

 ret. Hammacher-Schlemmer,

 houseware and department

 stores
- 132. Cowhide leather ashtray with glass lining. \$5.00 mfg. Guilford Arts Co. ret. Black, Starr & Gorham
- 133. Cowhide leather humidor with glass lining. \$12.50 mfg. Guilford Arts Co. ret. Black, Starr & Gorham
- 134. Food tray, stainless steel
 \$1.75
 mfg. Lalance & Grosjean Mfg.
 Co.
 ret. Abercrombie & Fitch Co.
- 135. Gallon crock, stoneware. \$.75 ret. houseware and depart-ment stores
- 136. Automatic electric iron. \$8.95 mfg. Sperti, Inc. ret. houseware and department stores