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The Architectural exhibition ~~was~~ a new departure in the Museum's policy in that its organization is being directed by ~~the~~ member of the Junior Advisory Committee, Mr. Philip C. Johnson. It is hoped that each year one of the museum's exhibitions will be the responsibility of the Advisory Committee, a group made up of the younger supporters of the museum.

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