

These restorers give them their best shot

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that Korzan brought with him from his earlier days in the trade.

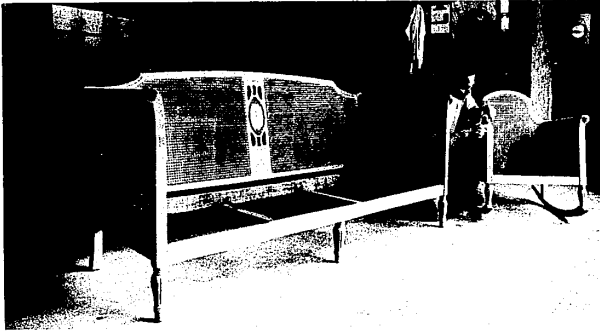
"We still keep in touch with the decorators and do jobs for them. It keeps us in contact with what's going on in contemporary decorating and keeps us on our toes thinking up new ideas for them," Korzan said.

An example of the wood work that has come from Acacia's design shop can be seen in the ash trays in Talley Hall.

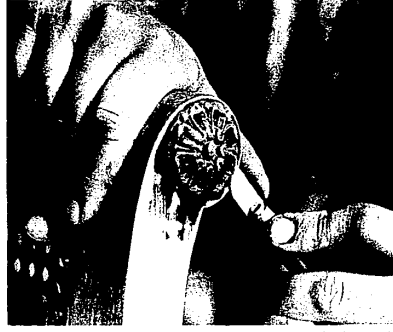
"They are practically bulletproof. We don't want to be repairing them in 10 years," Korzan said.

In a short while, Acacia will be the brand name for two new products to aid persons to care for fine pieces themselves.

One is a combination wax and steel wool. The other a lemon oil formula devised for using at home to keep prized furniture in top condition.



English garden furniture of the late 19th century will be completely restored right down to the worn spots in the cane. The restorers will probably recommend



Small rosette from the settee at left, will either be completely remade or refinished, depending upon its condition.



Section of an ancient cinnabar screen, above, was repaired by Rybicki who used a plaster and clay mixture to cast the broken figures in the bas relief. The screen is one of six. When completely restored it will be valued at about \$150,000. Below, Chris Helgren, an apprentice, works on an early 20th century British piece. The chair has Queen Anne legs, but is unusual because of the especially delicate arms.



Energy conservation brings good returns

How can you save by spending?

Let us count the ways.

1. When the money you shell out has an excellent return as an investment in energy conservation.

2. When you do it yourself and save on the costs of labor.

3. When you remember to take advantage of the tax credit.

Since the cost of energy to heat and cool your home is going nowhere but up, improve your home's thermal performance by adding mineral fiber rock wool or fiber glass to the attic floor. It is probably the single best way to keep winter heating bills and summer cooling costs down.

R-38 or R-39 insulation for the attic is recommended by the Mineral Insulation Manufacturers Association for most parts of the country with even higher R-values economically justified by fuel savings in colder regions. R-values measure the ability of a material to resist heat flow.

Savings vary. Find out why in the seller's fact sheet on R-values. Higher R-values mean greater insulating power. Fact sheets are available from building materials dealers.

If your attic has no insulation, install R-38 or R-39 mineral fiber. Any desired R-value may be achieved with poured mineral fiber or with a combination of batts, blankets and loose wool.

When insulating an attic floor, MIMA recommends that you dress in old

clothes - a long-sleeved shirt, baggy pants, gloves and a dust mask. If pouring in loose-fill mineral fiber insulation, a garden rake for leveling the insulation should prove useful.

Some building supply stores have machines available for rental by do it yourselfers. These machines blow mineral fiber insulation in attic floors or walls and are a fast and efficient way to insulate.

Don't overlook proper ventilation. Ventilation above the insulation is an attic floor is necessary both in winter and summer. In winter, open vents allow moisture from cooking and baths to escape. In summer, moving air reduces attic heat buildup. Provide at least two vent openings in the attic so air can flow in one and out the other.

Be aware of the tax credit that's available to those whose home improvements are designed to conserve energy. Adding insulation is among the energy saving techniques that qualify for a 15 percent tax credit on the cost of such improvements. The maximum credit is \$300.

Some states have tax credits for energy saving home improvements that may offer additional savings. Consult the tax officials in your state.

A useful booklet, "How to Save Money by Insulating Your Home," can be obtained by sending 45 cents and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to

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