



Antiques accessorize this apartment

So near and yet so far

Who says apartments are all alike? Just to prove "to each his own" is still the rule, compare the three apartments shown here, all of which are in the same complex and, incidentally, side by side.

Interior designer Dorothy Thomson of Englander/Triangle Furniture furnished her apartment on an Oriental theme.

A Coramadel screen is one of the highlights of her living room area.

Next door neighbor Betty Hoffman decided on a contemporary mood and chose yellow and black as the color scheme.

The Hoffman's next door neighbor built the living room around an antique Persian carpet and a small art collection.

The apartments are multi-level which gives them an assured edge over the box type. The foyer and kitchen are on one plane, the living room on another and the bedroom is upstairs.

Two of the three tenants preferred to make their foyer into the dining room. It is small and cozy for the purpose.

Ms. Thomson mirrored one wall of the foyer area and wallpapered the other walls. The Hoffmans added a Spanish touch with a spindle room

divider between the foyer/dining room and the lower level living room.

The third tenant prefers the foyer for greeting guests and taking off shoes.

A wall of windows and a railroad car narrowness created special problems for furniture arrangements in the living rooms.

The Hoffmans broke their living room into two parts with their furniture. A Greek rug helps to define one area.

Ms. Thomson placed her sofa at the end of the room and built the furniture arrangement around it and the Oriental screen.

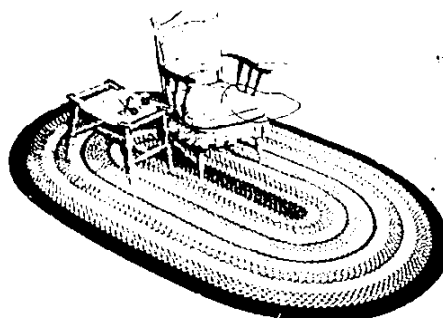
Her neighbor placed the couch so it faces the wall of windows. A piano takes up one end of the long room.

Upstairs, the tenants did very different things with the large bedroom. One shuttered the entire window wall, another draped it with sheer curtains to afford the most light and the third minimized the windows by using roman shades under lambrequins.

The only room which is virtually the same in all three apartments is the basement—filled to capacity with stored items from former larger homes.



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