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designing ways
Eve Garvin

IN MY last column, I talked about California and the San Francisco look. Traveling south to Los Angeles you get an entirely different look. The look there is more glamorous, flamboyant, in keeping with the Hollywood flavor. It is a knockout look, most suitable for those surroundings but adaptable to other areas.

The Designers Group in the Troy Design Center has that look and emphatically says "Wow." Starting with the manager Harriet Paulozzi and on to the lines they represent, you get that Hollywood feel.

Case goods, occasional pieces, dining and bedroom groups, are manufactured by Ello. The upholstery there is Thayer Coggin and Preview. The Nicoletti line is all leather upholstery imported from Italy. The 950 fan chair, which won the most beautiful chair in the world award in 1985, is displayed here. Ello distributes the chair.

TO MOVE INTO a new subject, I would like to tell you that I have been asked to do a design forum in two parts for the National Council of Jewish Women. The dates are Jan. 13 and Jan. 20. On Jan. 13, my apartment will be open for the occasion. Ticket bearers will be shown through my apartment in the North Park Towers and we will then proceed to the Penthouse where refreshments will be served.

Jan. 20 will be devoted to answering problems which I hope you will present to me in writing on Jan. 13. On the 20th I will also put together a mock model of a house.

I look forward to seeing all of you and promise two eventful afternoons.

For information on tickets, call the National Council of Jewish Women office, 258-6000.

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Rekindling some old flames

AN ELECTRIC light is nice to read by, necessary for shaving or applying makeup and is certainly required for cooking when you want to see what you're doing. But other than those mundane things of life, they add little except light to the chilly almost unfriendly winter atmospheres.

Candles, on the other hand, flatter everything, casting a warm friendly soft glow on faces, reflecting in eyes, softening otherwise harsh elements of a room.

More than anything, they welcome people into a room, almost saying, "Come in, sit down, friend and relax." At the same time, they add a note of elegance, a lot of old-world charm and an ambience one simply can't get from a light bulb.

CANDLEHOLDERS COME IN an intriguing number of shapes and materials these days, some in the form of sculpture, others in sparkling crystal and still others designed to lend a light fragrance to the atmosphere.

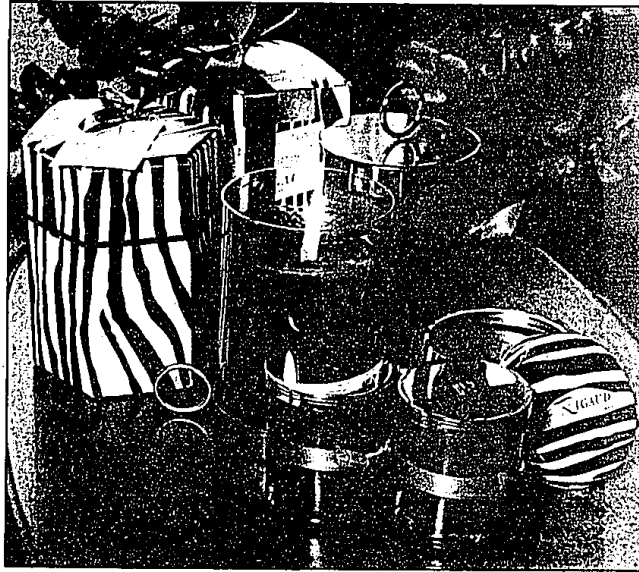
Floor candlestands are making a comeback as glowing accents and single candleholders with candelabra overtones are important again, evoking memories of fringed piano shawls and tinkling prisms.

Here's a sampling of old flames guaranteed to lend a warmth of personality and hospitality to winter evenings.

— Rustie Shand

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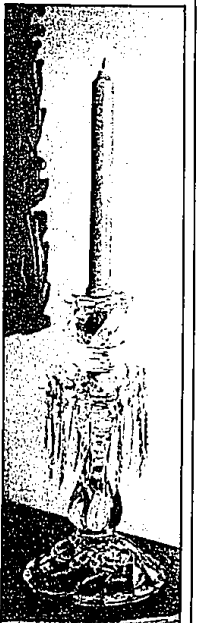
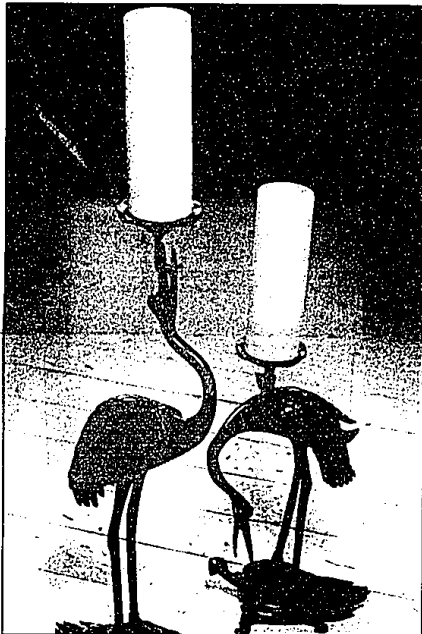
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There's nothing like a softly glowing fragrance candle to set the scene, and Rigaud is the ultimate. Made in France since 1850, Jackie Kennedy Onassis made them popular in the U.S. Elegantly set in crystal with silver finished top and base, the Rigaud candle burns for 50 hours, filling the atmosphere with a delicate spicy fragrance while dispelling cigarette smoke and unpleasant odors. Bonwill Teller, \$25 to \$55.

At the left, these heavy iron cranes on turtle candleholders have an antique, weathered bronze finish. Below, a welcoming entry candle stands on the floor in a walnut finished footed stand. Tying in tasseled cord around the fat candle adds a touch of the baroque, \$85 each. Curiously Shoppe, Franklin Village.

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From the Victorian era comes this 12-inch crystal candlestick holder, complete with light refracting crystal prisms. \$155. Jeff Fontana Designs.



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