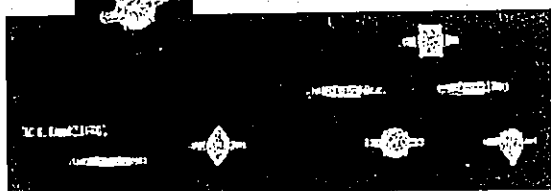


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— Bob Sklar
assistant managing editor

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