

MASTER BUILDING

Apartment Hotel

310 Riverside Drive
At 103rd Street
New York



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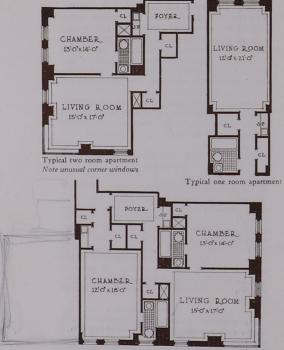
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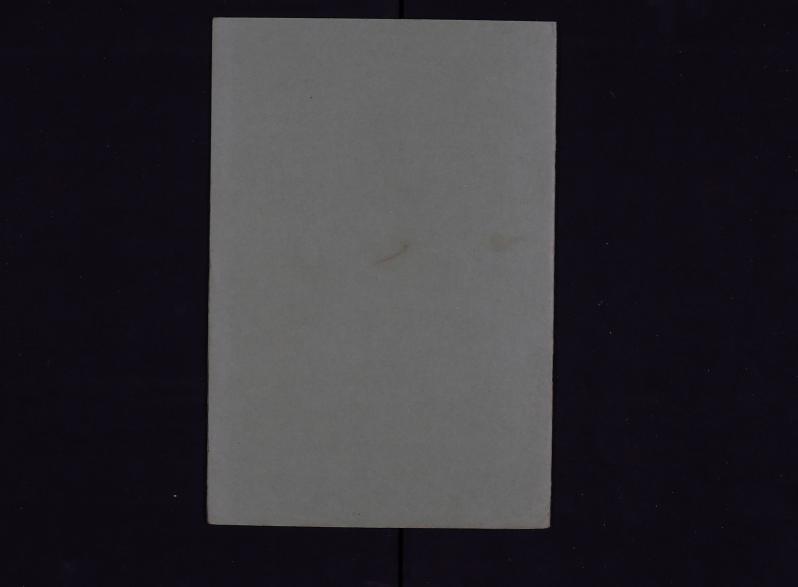
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THE Apartment Hotel of the Master Building is planned to meet the needs of the most discriminating. Situated high on one of the beauty spots of Riverside Drive, it commands an unobstructed view of cultivated grounds, trees and park with a magnificent thirty-mile sweep of the Hudson River stretching to North and South. Its beauty of line, terrace and tower make it a historic architectural achievement in America.

The facade of the building is particularly interesting. The lower stories are dark purple and as the structure rises in imposing dignity, the purple becomes lighter and lighter until finally the towers stand out white against the sky. This is the first time in architectural history that gradation of color in bricks has been used for the exterior of a building.

The apartments themselves are divided into suites of 1, 2, 3 or more rooms, equipped with a Serving Pantry, with silent refrigeration and a private bath for every bedroom chamber. Absence of a court makes each room an outside room, thus assuring light and air as well as a view from every window. Commodious closet space, lack of which is frequently deplored in apartment hotels, is one of the special features. All radiators are enclosed in artistic metal cabinets.

Because of the set-back structure of the building it has been possible to enhance the desirability of many of the rooms by permitting them to open out on private terraces. The suites are arranged in a variety of ways and so planned as to conform to individual taste.

The upper stories afford a Solarium and Promenade. Here a resident may entertain friends, have tea and partake of other social amenities amid unsually attractive surroundings. Or, if he prefers, he may simply relax in comfort and enjoy the magnificent view, and benefit from the invigorating air. He might well imagine himself far out in the country instead of in the heart of New York City.

A unique feature of the apartments, which is used for the first time in America, is the introduction of a Corner Window of unusual proportions which lends the feeling of a studio, giving the room a distinctive appearance as well as making it unusually light and airy.



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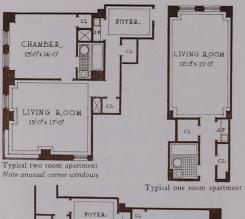
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