

Ein interessanter Versuch. Durch vier einspaltige Inserate, die auf vier hintereinanderfolgenden Seiten rechts außen placiert sind, ist eine überraschend starke Wirkung erzielt. Der belegte Inseratenraum entspricht einer halben Seite. Die erzielte Wirkung kann aber mindestens auf vier halbseitige Inserate berechnet werden.

An interesting experiment. Four one-column advertisements are placed on the right outer side of the page on four successive pages and thereby achieve a surpising effectiveness. The advertising space amounts in all to half a page. The effect achieved may be reckoned as equalling that of four half-page advertisements.

real procedure ought to resemble exactly that of the architect. One ought first to take a survey of the "site" and make the design accordingly. For the surroundings determine the effect. Another error is to consider the advertisements produced by rivals and then to say to the designer: "Just give us something like that." If the conception of the analysis of effective results were to be applied properly, the consideration of rival advertisements ought to lead to an exactly contrary result, namely to the resolve to create something entirely different.

Modern education to advertising must above all be confronted with the fact that it pays far too little attention to all esthetic considerations. The majority of all impressions of the senses are visual. What is the use of all definitions, of all highly psychological arguments, if the final graphic form be so banal and uninteresting that it does not compel the eye at all! What is insignificant can never attract and can therefore never have any advertising value. Most of the new theoretic

formulas and conceptions have really only had the result that bunglers have learned how to conceal their lack of capability behind sounding phrases.

What has really brought about this condition of things? To be sure, even the greatest advertising optimist cannot argue away the economic crisis. More than 90% of all business men, however, were not only no optimists, but were actually afraid. The purveyor of raw materials was afraid of the manufacturor, the manufacturor was afraid of the wholesale and retail dealers, the advertising man with a position in a firm was afraid of losing it, the agency afraid of losing its customers. We are living in a fear complex. Things cannot go on thus. Every business man, in spite of all disappointments, should begin each day as if he had that moment founded his business. The whole store of optimism which was his when he founded his enterprise is necessary for each day's work at present. All advertising men who seriously believe in the important function of their work in the

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