THE OVAL DINING ROOM in the residence of Mrs. Joseph T. Ryerson at 1406 Astor Street is one of the choicest examples in the country of this neoclassic fashion. The walls are marbled in the soft greens and yellows used in the paintings over the door.

THE LIVING ROOM of the Burton Mudge apartment (at the left) is spacious and light in tone. The furniture coverings and draperies are in pleasing shades of green and gold. The two built-in bookcases, one at each side of the classically simple fireplace, over which is hung an oval floral painting, constitute a satisfying wall group.

THE LIVING ROOM of the Joseph T. Ryerson residence has been called "a very fine example of a dignified French room, both in its design and its furniture." The floor is parquetry.
FROM ABRAHAM LINCOLN TO JOSEPH MEDILL—In this letter from the Emancipator came the reply requested by the publisher of The Tribune to the assault of another newspaper upon Lincoln's record in Congress. The Tribune had already launched the widespread crusade which was to make the Rail-splitter president. The next year Lincoln wrote concerning it: "I owe it [meaning The Tribune] a debt of gratitude, which I fear I shall never be able to pay." Lincoln as a Whig was opposed to the war in Mexico, and it is fairly apparent that when he was in Congress his opposition to the war not only cost him his seat, but also lost his district for the Whigs in '48. Lincoln criticized the President savagely, but he voted supplies, supporting the army although attacking the administration, and evidently the newspaper referred to in this letter accused him of the unpatriotic act of having voted against an army supply bill. His letter proves it was his predecessor in the House who voted against the bill mentioned.