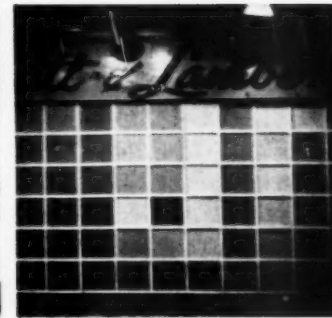
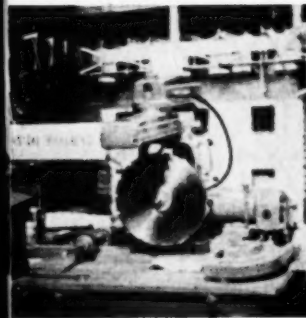
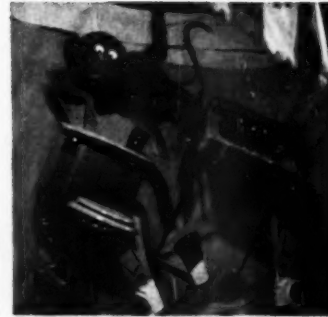


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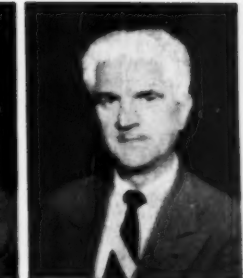
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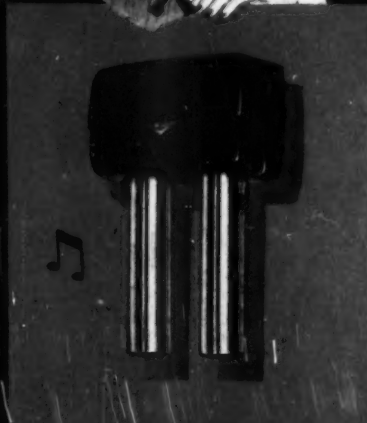


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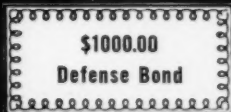
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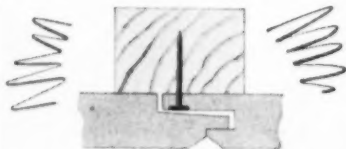


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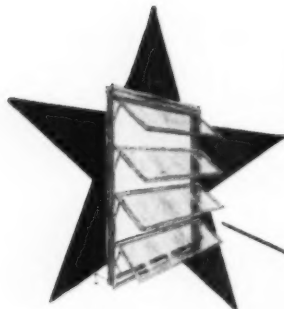
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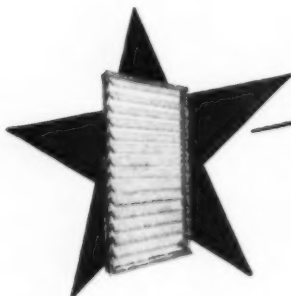


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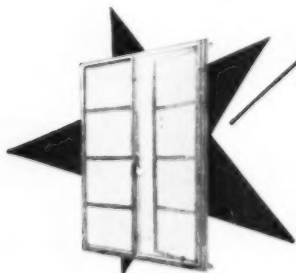
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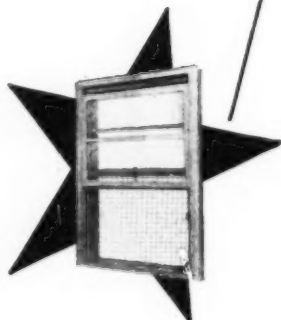
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A lot of space could be devoted to the handicaps thus imposed on home builders and home seekers. A lot of space could be used to speculate about the effect of this disorganization on the creeping decay of older houses that has become a blight on American economy. But nothing is ever gained by recounting the ills of a condition for which a cure has been found.

The important and significant fact is that today there is a home building industry. There has been one for a decade. There is a home building industry because a handful of gravely concerned builders met

a few years ago and after an evolutionary period evolved the National Association of Home Builders. We add with great pride that *American Builder's* publishers and editors were encouraging and counseling parts of the formative and organizing meetings—that these were the only encouraging voices lent to those of the organizing pioneers.

The association's first convention was attended by a few hundred builders. Today, the membership is about 25,000. The fledgling association long ago achieved recognition and stature. It has fought for the existence of the industry as a private enterprise operation; it has rationalized public housing against what at times appeared to be almost hopeless odds; it brought sense and balance to price and material restrictions during the war; it has moved from its enforced original defensive position to articulate, dynamic leadership; it has nurtured and developed scores of able leaders within its ranks; it has assumed the initiative in the demand for adequate housing for all Americans; and it has progressed with dignity and conviction in the pursuit of every policy it has outlined.

The association's early years of providing organization and direction to a heretofore sprawling agglomeration of builders is a record that must be called magnificent. With adequate capital resources and unlimited personnel for leadership, the next ten years may be viewed confidently, as a period in which the association will influence American housing standards by raising them to levels never approached before in fact or fancy.

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TRENDS *in the Building Field*

easy money is in sight for 1954

"THE SHORTAGE of mortgage money is over," say many builders and lenders. The Wall Street Journal recently checked 100 builders, lenders and real estate agents in 11 cities and 70 per cent agreed that there is more cash available now for financing home purchases than there was three months ago. Some 13 per cent of the interviewees reported no change; only 12 per cent noted a decline in available mortgage money.

Another indication of easy money is a fresh show of strength in the U. S. bond market. Business Week reports that investors rolled out a red carpet for the Treasury's last big borrowing operation of calendar 1953. Subsequently, Wall Street investors thought they saw some clues to the probable action of loan costs in the near future. Their predictions: (1) *Easy money.* (2) *Perhaps still lower interest rates than those prevailing now.* (3) *No return to the rock-bottom rates of 1946.*

ACCORDING to recent reports, lenders seem to be more interested than previously in mortgage loans guaranteed by the VA or FHA. A New York banker explains, "With the recent decline in bond yields and other interest rates, the 4½ per cent government mortgage is beginning to look a lot more attractive." In Chicago, a mortgage banker says, "Some building and loan associations that had been insisting on a 5½ per cent rate now are inclined to take 5 per cent loans for houses in better areas."

IT IS BELIEVED that the shortage of mortgage money has slowed housing starts since July. During the months of July through October, 1953, housing starts declined a total of 33,000 units, or 3 per cent, as compared with the same months in

1952. It is estimated, however, that final reports for 1953 will total slightly more than a million new residential units.

There is every indication, moreover, that 1954 will be another million-unit year. The increased supply of mortgage money will make it a practical certainty.

THE "Conference on Distribution" held in Boston recently has as much significance to builders as it does to manufacturers and retailers who are wondering what the future holds as far as a continuation of the high level of business activity.

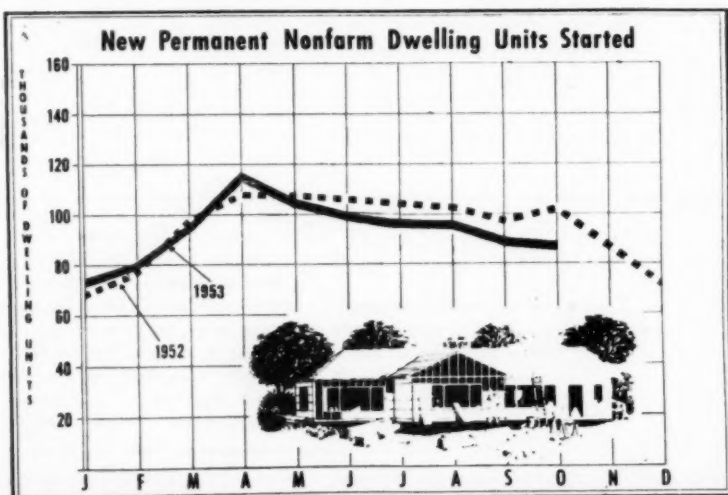
These marketing people are confronted with the fact that they will have to sell about nine per cent to ten per cent more consumer goods and services than the estimated \$230 billion last year. They figure that they will have to pull out all the stops on salesmanship, both printed and verbal. They plan to make it easier to shop by keeping open at night, by packaging things better and dramatizing their products.

They recognize the explosive effect that decentralization has had on the economy in terms of the demand for more cars, new shopping centers and new homes.

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A BUILDER, whether he builds two houses a year or a thousand, has exactly the same problems and opportunities as a large manufacturer who has a market research department and advertising experts to guide his policies.

If the shortage of mortgage money is actually over, new building can be expected to maintain its present high volume. But builders must continue to use every opportunity for improvements in design and efficiency, and must do a persuasive selling job, just as the largest manufacturers are doing.



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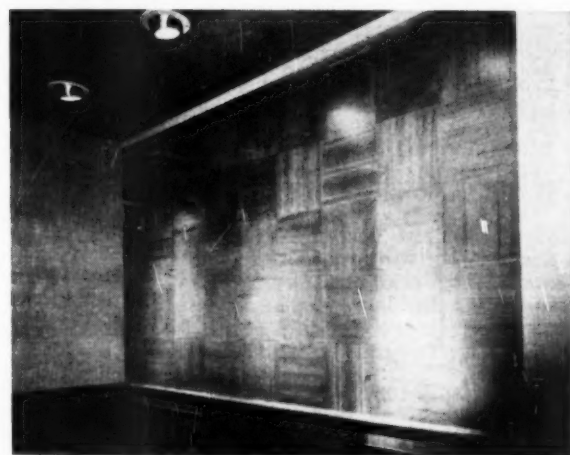
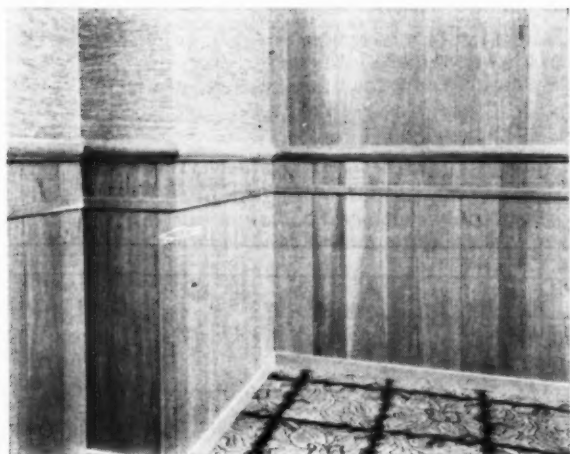
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File your FHA insurance applications for spring building within the next month, if you would avoid an inevitable delay in processing time later. That's the warning just issued by Wendell O. Edwards, Detroit FHA director, who points out his staff was reduced last fall, will be cut again this month, with no prospect of increasing it. Timely advice for any builder who would avoid the application rush of March and April.

New wave of wage boosts throughout building trades may strike Chicago area next June. Initial overtures by plumbers' union propose to hike hourly pay 4 1/2 per cent, ask 2 1/2 per cent more for a union holiday fund and 4 per cent more for a vacation fund; total increase 11 per cent . . .

As goes mortgage money, so housing starts will follow, no matter whether down payments are lowered or not. This view is shared by HHFA Administrator Cole and FHA Commissioner Hollyday.

The government officials have indicated that lower down payments alone will attract no more construction money. National spokesmen for the lending institutions say that only the home market itself, not limited availability of mortgage money, will determine 1954 home production. Employment security is regarded as more important than size of the down payment. Home building leaders believe private lenders must make lower initial payments available at moderate interest, or many buyers will be lost. Failure to do this, they warn, may force politicians, who want to keep the million-a-year starts rate going, to put the government in the lending business.

There has been general agreement for several weeks that funds will be more readily available in the next few months than for some time. But just where and when this will be felt is rather vague, at the moment.

During the past three months, NAHB President Spiegel and Executive Director Dickerman have been on tour almost continuously, preaching the importance of rehabilitation work to community and builder alike. Invariably the talk would shift to financing. Builders raised the burning question: "When are we going to be able to get a fair shake from the mortgage boys and get loans without being forced to accept a discount or pay a premium?"

There's no exact answer. However, invested savings have continued to rise steadily and substantially, while consumer and business loans are below normal seasonal demand. Rate of capital expansion is dropping and loans from Federal Reserve Banks have been cut sharply — so there is more money than ever in the "kitty" to make credit available.

Therefore, don't hold back on plans for 1954. Talk, without direct action to back it up, is not encouraging, but the lag which is always present between announcement of a new plan for home building and the time its effects are first realized appears to be nearly over.

Look for an easing in home buyer credit just "as advertised." Builders ready to offer good design, backed by good construction practices, can be off to a running start just as soon as the financial barriers are lifted in their areas. Precious time may be lost to those who wait until their bankers call. Discounts and premiums may still be demanded, but at a lower level — probably one to three points . . .

New Jersey HBA certified-bonded builder program has completed its first full year, unmarred by a single claim. The plan requires all members to be certified.



Late Year Building Drive Spurs Fast Start in 1954

Many larger areas in northern states were shooting toward a near record residential building mark as 1953 drew to a close. The late season activity bid promise to carry over an unusually high rate of starts into the new year. Ten-month Dodge Reports totals for 37 states east of the Rockies put residential work down 3 per cent, but there were strong indications the entire reduction could be traced to slight cutbacks in some southern areas.

Housing permits in Chicagoland last year were running over 6,000 ahead of the 1952 pace at the ten-month mark, according to the Bell Savings monthly survey. There were indications the year's total would approximate a 20 per cent gain: well over 40,000 units. More than 90 per cent of the work involved one and two-family homes.

A fast start toward continued highs this year was seen with the announcement that American Community Builders, developers of the vast Park Forest south of the city, planned to build 546 more houses by spring.

It's the same story in the Detroit region, where on last Oct. 1, 26,797 new dwelling units planned represented an improvement of nearly 25 per cent. The Regional Planning Commission noted that new housing in the suburbs is running five times as heavy as that within city boundaries.

Long Island, N. Y., was expected to reach the 40,000 new-home mark for the fourth straight year, according to

Long Island Home Builder Institute estimates in November. Every week-end introduces an average of five to ten additional home developments.

One of New England's busiest areas was the Hartford, Conn., region, where 3,780 starts were reported for the first ten months of 1953. While this was 10 per cent below the pace set a year previous, it was expected to near 4,500 by Dec. 31, far exceeding early predictions for a 4,000-home year issued by the Home Builders Association of Hartford County.

Nearly \$100 million in residential construction was indicated for the first three-quarters of 1953 for the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. It represented a 24 per cent gain. Des Moines, Iowa, based on a \$20 million count at the same time, was headed for a record construction total of \$25 million. Cedar Rapids, Iowa, had surpassed its entire 1952 home production by the end of October, at which time 547 new dwelling permits had been issued.

Big Hartford Turnout Hears Dickerman

Annual meeting of the Home Builders Association of Hartford County, held Nov. 19 in the Rockledge Country Club, West Hartford, Conn., brought out 224 members of the 412-man roster to hear John M. Dickerman, NAHB executive director, report



Howard L. Menzel

on the Washington scene and to elect officers. Membership campaign of the group was to end December 31.

Howard L. Menzel of Farmington was elected president, succeeding Samuel A. Walters. Other officials chosen included Harold Fenton, Bloomfield, first vice president; Rocco J. Alexander, East Hartford, second vice president; Ansel Arnold, East Hartford, secretary, and Joseph M. Howard, West Hartford, treasurer.

New England Group Cited for Quick Action After Tornado



Master Home Builders Association of Worcester, Mass., won praise at annual dinner from Emanuel M. Spiegel, NAHB president, for its work in rebuilding tornado devastation of last June. Seated at head table (l. to r.) are Robert H. Wood, executive secretary; Peter George Jr., assistant chairman; Sidney Martin, dinner chairman; Thomas Courtney, FHA appraiser; John A.

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That's Charles F. Vatterott, Jr. (left), receiving the symbolic trophy at the Nov. 21 installation of officers of the Home Builders Association of Greater St. Louis. Looking on (from left) are Norman R. Schuermann, trophy donor; St. Louis County Counselor Jack McAtee who made the presentation, and Ben Goldberg, who was installed as president

Second Vatterott Brother Wins St. Louis Trophy

The Schuermann Trophy, awarded annually to a St. Louis builder in recognition of outstanding service to community and fellowman, was presented to Charles F. Vatterott, Jr., Nov. 21 at the annual dinner-dance of the Home Builders Association of Greater St. Louis.

At the same time, Ben Goldberg, who came from Russia as a small boy, worked in menial jobs as a youth and has just rounded out his first 30 years as a builder, was installed as associa-

tion president. Nearly 1,000 persons witnessed the twin ceremonies at the Hotel Chase.

Vatterott, who has won national recognition for extending preference in his subdivision to families with children and for promoting better race relations, is the oldest of four brothers, each a home builder in his own right. One of them, Joseph H., won the "Bildor Best Citizenship Award" two years ago when it was first offered by Norman R. Schuermann.

Regional Prize Winner Honored at Camden



Camden Courier Post
Minneapolis-Honeywell regional award winner Richard C. Goodwin (right) receiving a watch-bill clip from Robert G. Hayes, M-H regional sales manager, at November 18 meeting of Home Builders League of South Jersey in Camden. Harold D. Sarshik (left), association president, and Edward G. Gavin (second from right) editor of American Builder and featured speaker, witness the presentation

AMERICAN BUILDER

Roamin' the North—

Art Falace, exec veepee of Ohio Home Builders Assn., was a busy bee at the OHBA convention in Akron introducing his successor, Clifford St. Clair. Art has just stepped into Ben Stormes' shoes at the HBA of Greater Cleveland, as exec director. Ohio reports 2600 members (nearly 10 per cent of the National's strength), a jump of 150 per cent since Art took over four years ago. . . Arnold Olson, for some time executive secretary of the Greater Bridgeport (Conn.) Builders Assn. while doubling in brass as building editor of the Bridgeport Sunday Herald, has left the association post. Dave Williams, nominating committee chairman, announced at the Nov. 13 meeting that Augustus J. Pace was named to succeed Frank J. Labbanace as president. . . More than 150 members and associates attended annual dinner meeting of New Haven HBA Nov. 12, re-elected Lou McDermott president. . . Indiana Lumber & Builders' Supply Assn. is arranging group insurance for members, reports Bob Craft, secy-treas. . .

50 Years a Builder

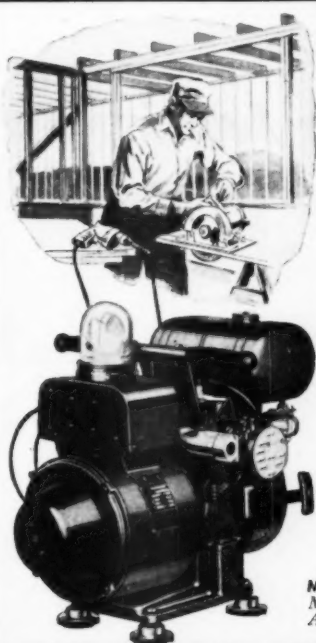


Hyman Loshen, celebrating his golden anniversary of construction activity on Long Island, N. Y., and still going strong as president of Loshen Brothers, receives a citation commemorating his achievement from Walter G. Stackler, president of the Long Island Home Builders Institute

Spare Those Trees—

White Plains, N. Y., has a regulation requiring a builder not only to preserve existing trees on building sites but to plant additional ones where needed to maintain its country atmosphere. Paging FHA Commissioner Hollyday who recently issued a broadside urging builders to save their trees. . . Herbert S. Greenwald, Chicago builder, has begun a 65-home project in Eastchester, near White Plains. . . Veteran Long Island builder Anthony Villett has expanded operations to take on a 200-plus unit job in Waverly, Ohio. . .

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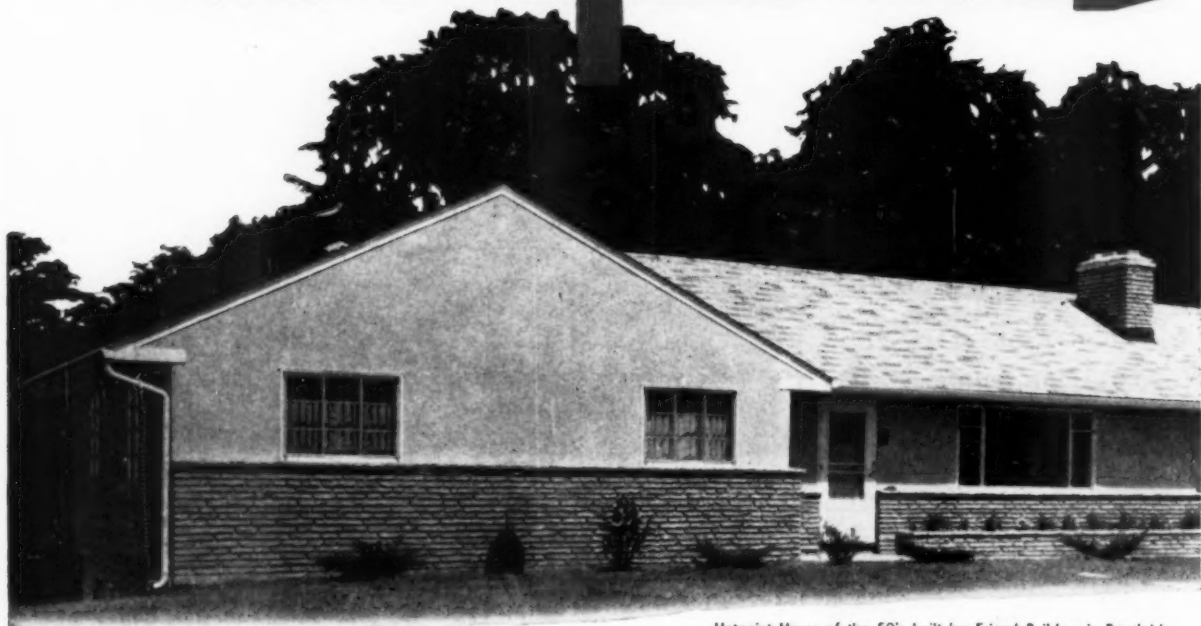
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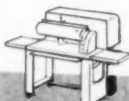
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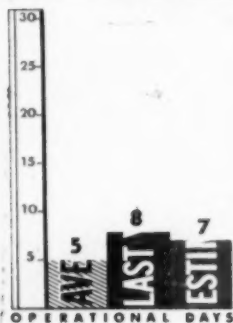
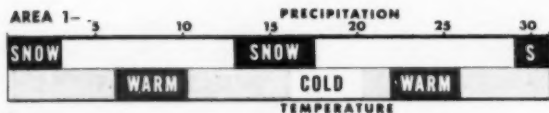
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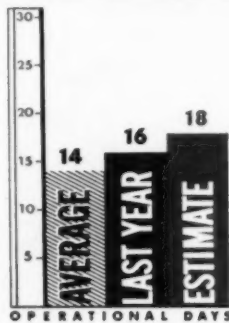
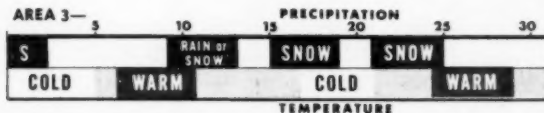
NORTH: For the coming month, the northern United States should, in general, experience more favorable weather conditions than normally occurs. Consequently, the total number of working days classified as operational, with the exception of Area 2, should be greater than the long-term average.



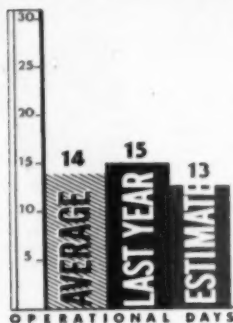
Timing of weather events is indicative of trends. Don't expect precipitation on every day of the period indicated



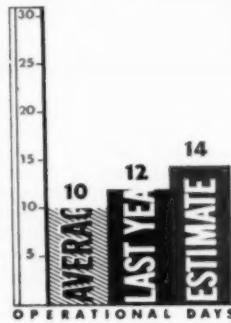
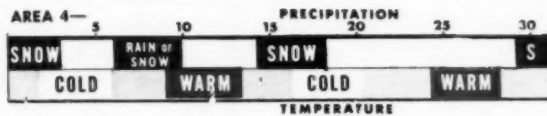
Warmer than usual weather is in prospect during January, 1954 with temperatures likely to average three to four degrees above normal. Precipitation totals for the month should vary from somewhat below normal in the western Dakotas to slightly greater than normal in the Great Lakes region. In January of last year, warm and mostly dry weather was observed. Only in the western Dakotas and in northern Minnesota were greater than normal rainfalls and snowfalls recorded.



Both temperatures and precipitation totals averaged above normal during January, 1953. Warmer than usual weather again is expected to prevail during January of 1954 with temperatures likely to average about two to three degrees above normal. Rainfall and snowfall amounts are expected to be greater than normal in West Virginia, decreasing northeastward to below normal in upper New York state.



January, 1953 was warm and dry, as compared to the long-term averages. For the coming month, builders may expect warmer than usual weather to prevail once again although rain and snow amounts should generally average near the January normal in the western and central portions of the area. Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, however, may anticipate wet weather and thus, fewer operational days.

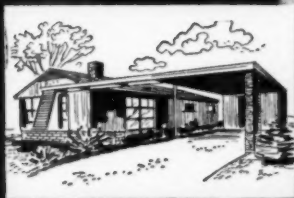


In January of last year, warmer and somewhat wetter than usual weather was observed in the New England States. For January of this year, the outlook calls for above average temperatures and below average precipitation amounts. Thus, the number of operational days should exceed that observed in January, 1953.

CRITERIA

Special climatic studies were made for selected cities in each area to determine AVERAGE and LAST YEAR Operational Days. ESTIMATES are generally applicable to each area. Precipitation and temperatures extreme enough to stop outside work have been forecast as number of NON-operational days. Naturally, inside work (plastering, wiring, finishing, etc.) may on occasion proceed without interruption even through the cold and wet spells shown on the month's timing bar.

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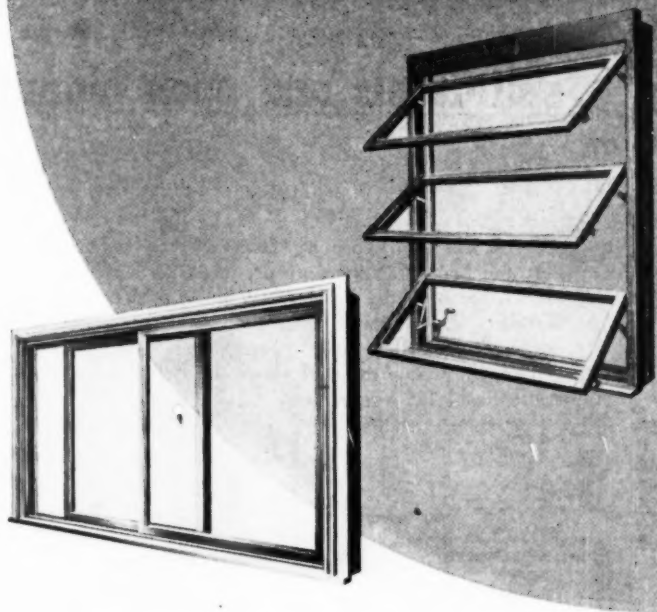
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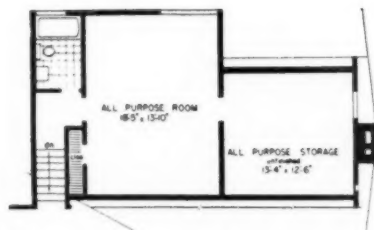
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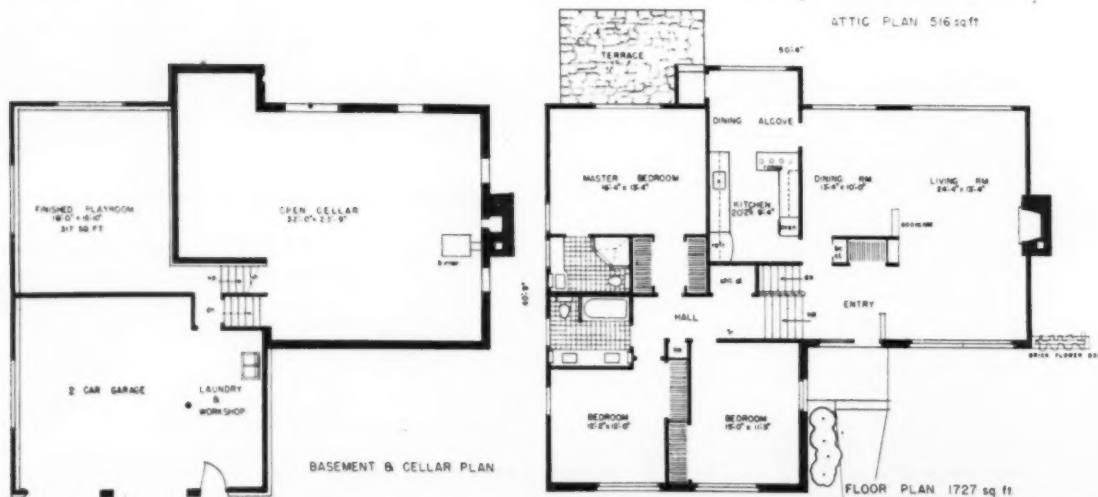


split-levels and open planning from Long Island

THIS tract house, at \$26,500, by S. Richard Silbert and Leon M. Silberstein produced 28 contracts for others like it in the builders' 49-house project at East Williston, Long Island. Only three buyers wanted the optional expansion attic plan, which the builders achieve by raising the roof above the living room. The house has 1,727 square feet.

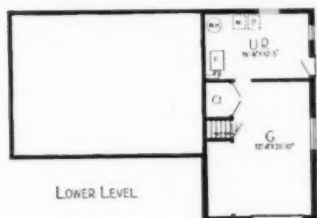
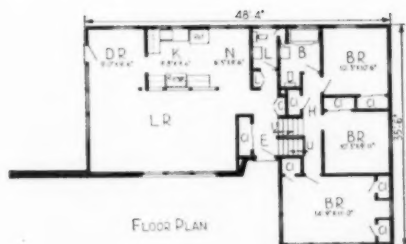


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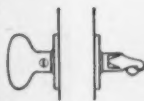
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Under \$12,000: This 2-bedroom house was built by the Lawrence Building Co. It has a combination kitchen-dinette with Youngstown all-steel cabinets and garbage disposal unit, ceramic tile

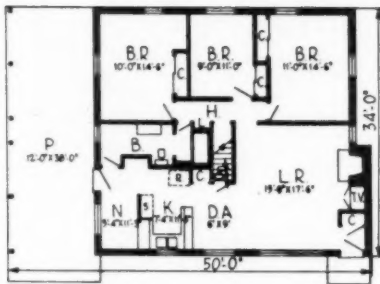
judged the best in four

bathroom, and uses Andersen Flexivent windows throughout. The design provides for two additional bedrooms on the second floor.

\$12,000 to \$15,000: E. J. Plott designed and built this one, and sold it for \$12,900 plus lot and landscaping to the third prospect who came along. The house has a full basement with finished recreation room. Windows throughout are Ludman Auto-lok. Siding is California redwood. Heating is by a gas-fired forced-air system using General Electric equipment and Minneapolis-Honeywell Moduflow thermostat. Many quality items were included: extra large closets, Briggs colored bathroom fixtures, twin lavatories in the clay tile bathroom, Lavador shower door, all-copper plumbing, mercury switches, magnetic catches on cupboard doors, Benjamin Moore paint, National garbage disposal unit.

\$15,000 to \$20,000: William A. Riehl sold this one for \$17,950 and in addition got two contracts to build larger houses adapted from this basic plan, which he calls a Step-Saver Ranchette. Two points in planning which make this house different: placement of dual compartment bathroom permits shortcut from kitchen to bedrooms; recreation room in basement can be reached by stairway opening directly from living-dining area.

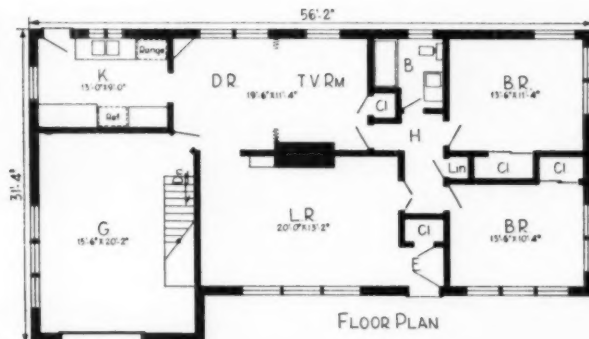
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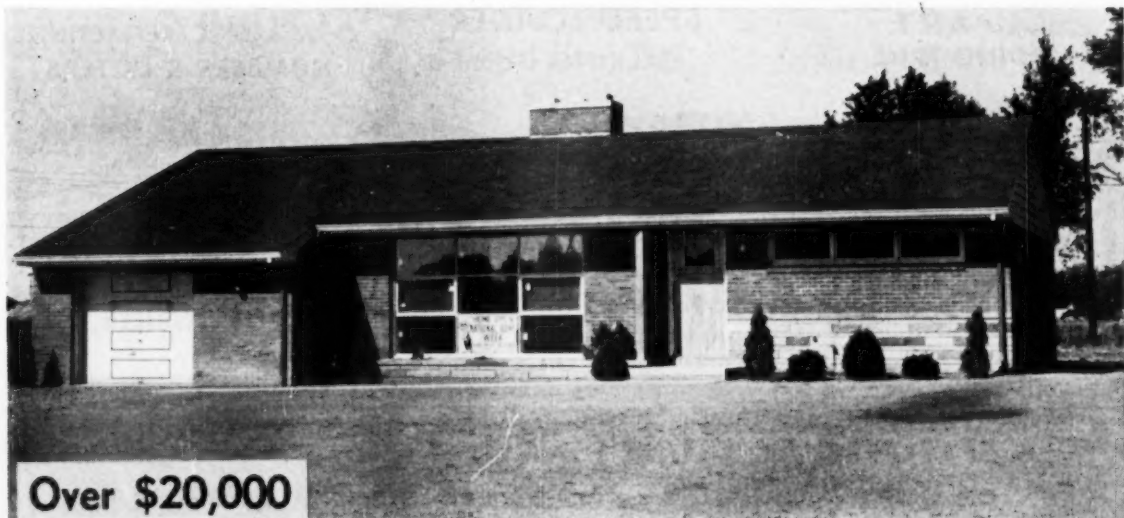
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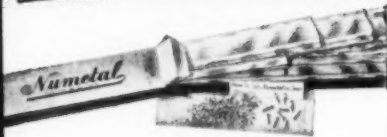
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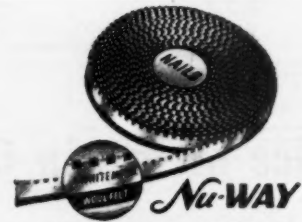
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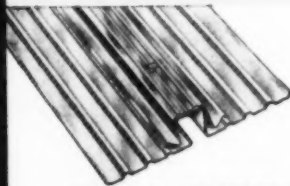
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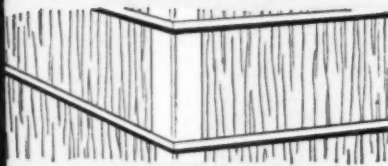


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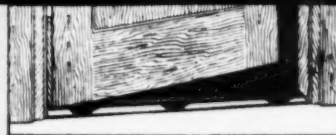
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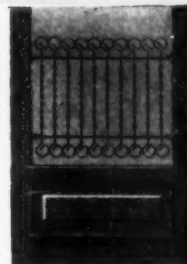
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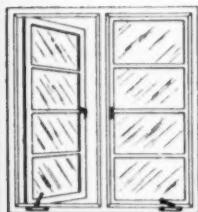
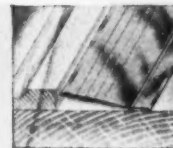
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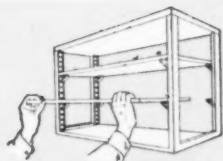
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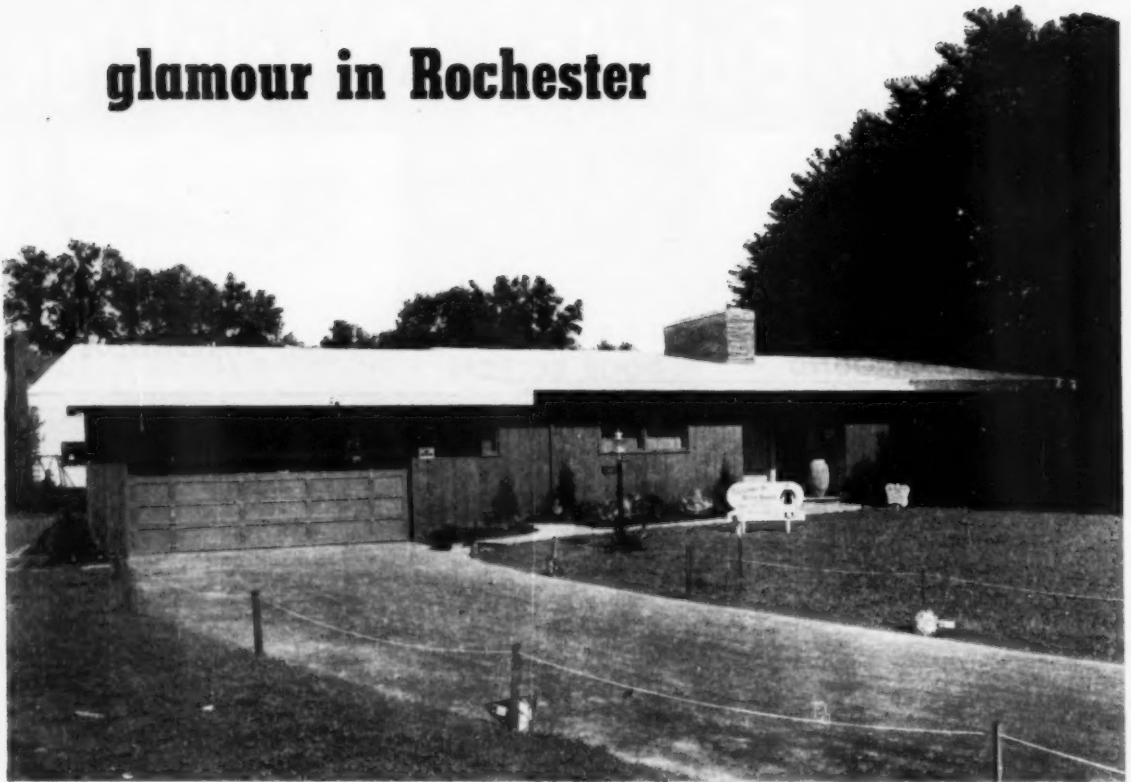


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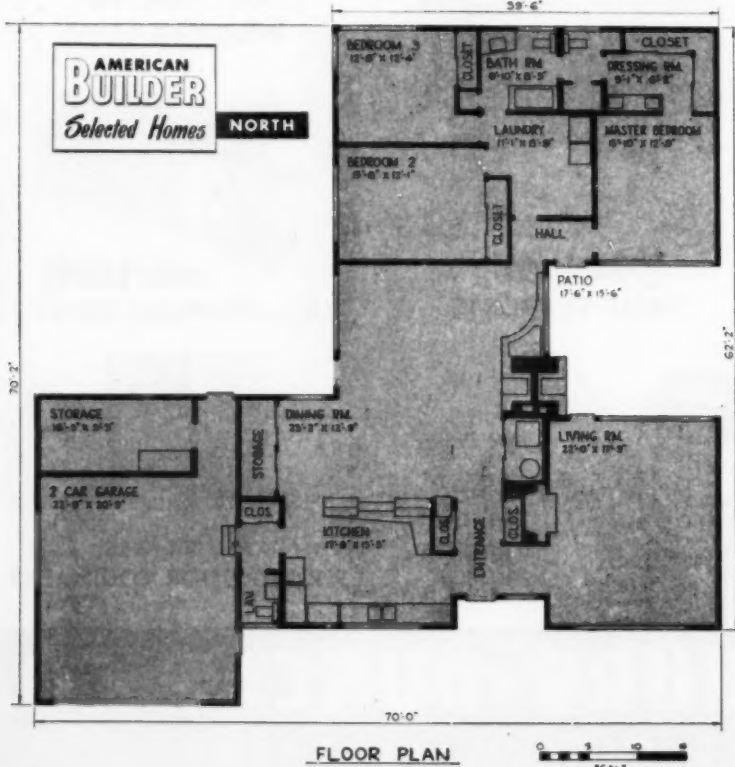


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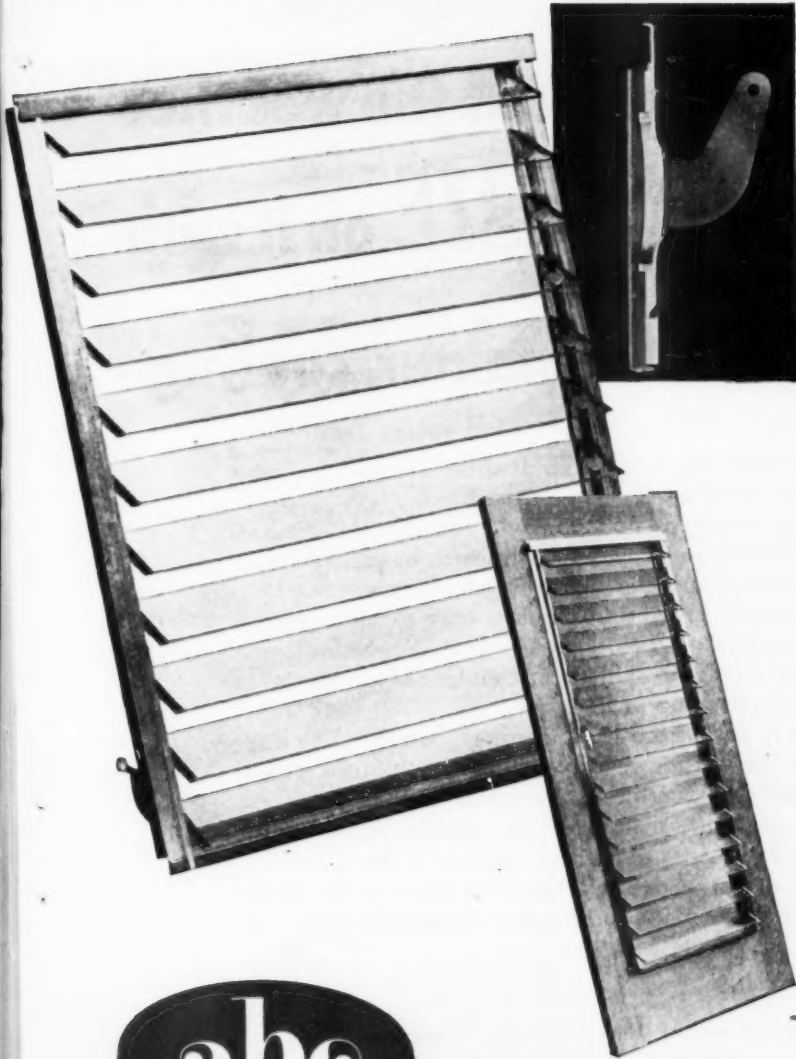
The "quiet garden," an open court set between living area and bedroom wing; laundry department in the bedroom wing, "since 80 per cent of the laundry in any home comes from the bedrooms," and daylighted by a Plexiglas dome; largest area in the house given over to a Family Room which is integrated with the open-plan kitchen and has fireplace of Pennsylvania blue ledge stone, slate floor and plank and beam ceiling; fireplace wall of Travertine marble in living room, other walls of oak paneling applied with adhesive. The home has a radiant panel heating system with Ruudicator boiler and Minneapolis-Honeywell controls.

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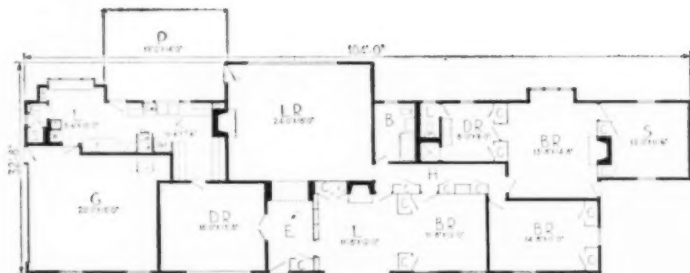
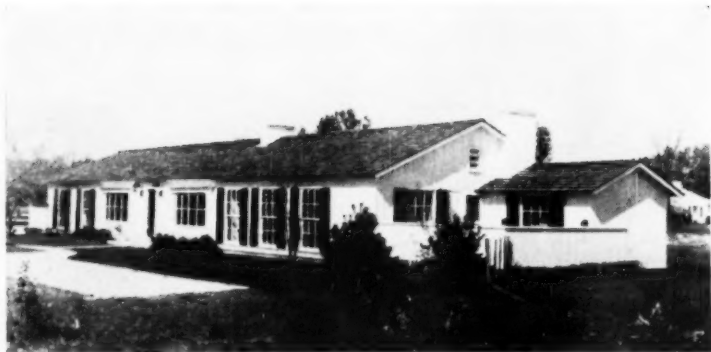
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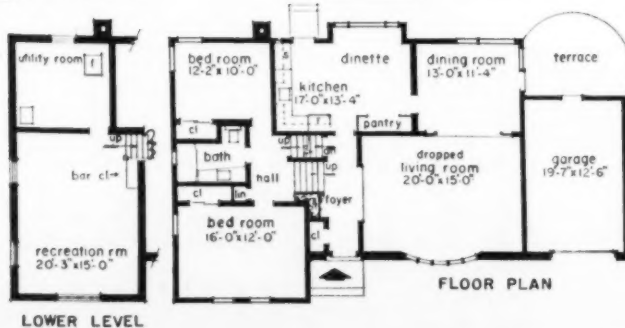
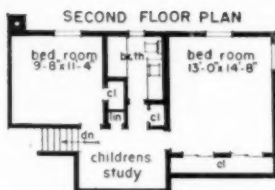
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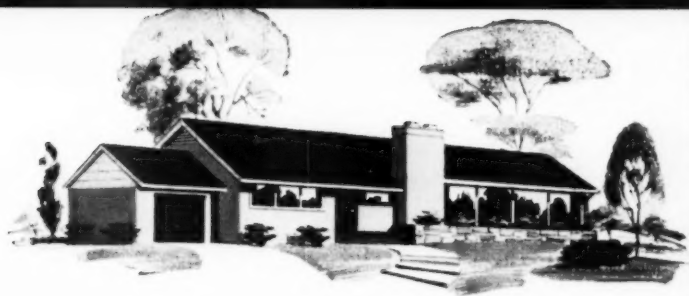


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AGENEROUSLY SIZED split-level built by Nat Siegel and Irwin W. Chess at Massapequa Park, Long Island, New York. The second floor is given over to the children. The house sells for \$22,590 with a quarter-acre of land. In spite of its split-level design (by Herman H. York) the house is right at home on level ground, because the garage is attached to it instead of being cut in under the living room.



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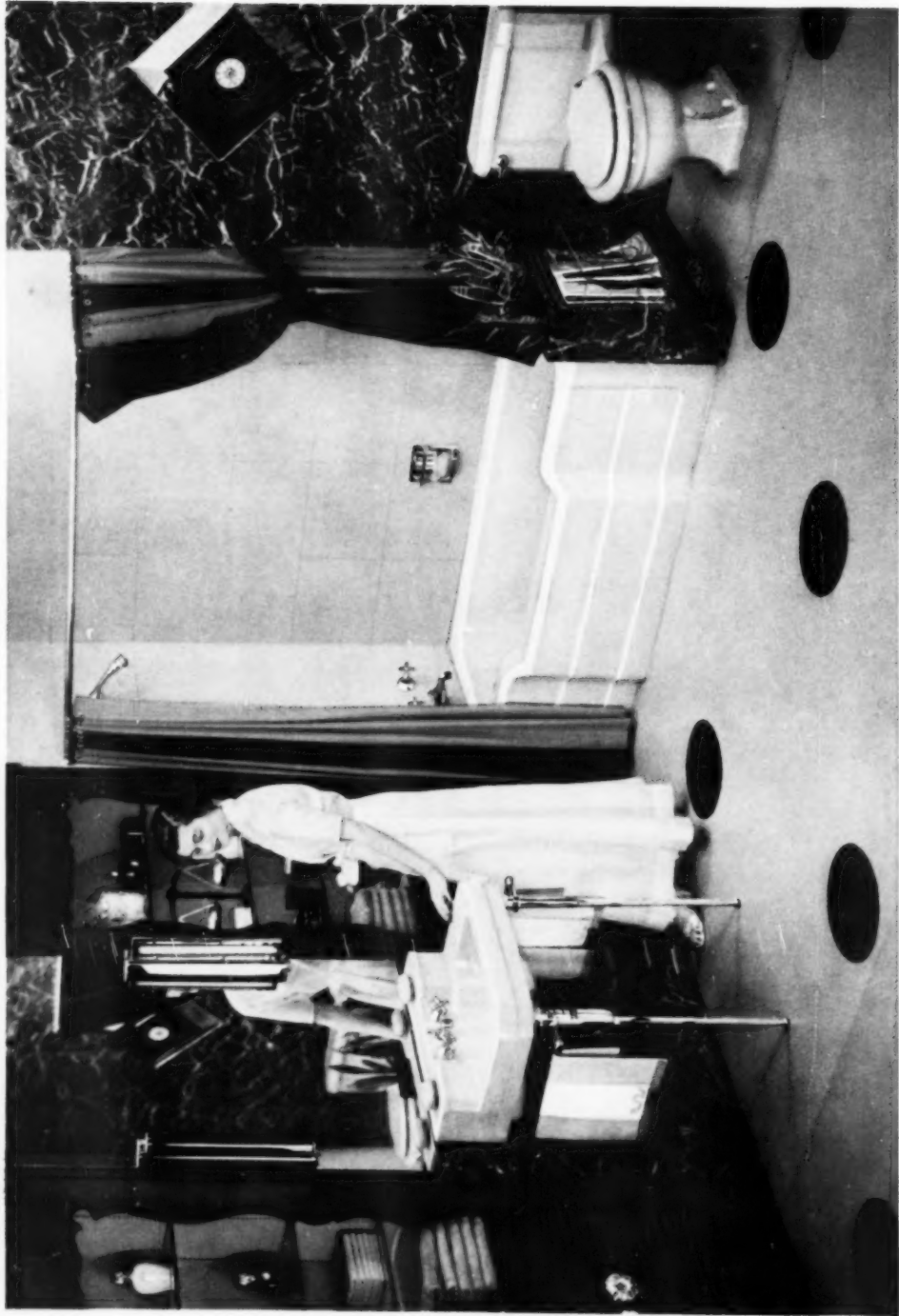
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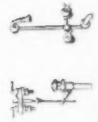
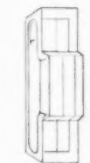
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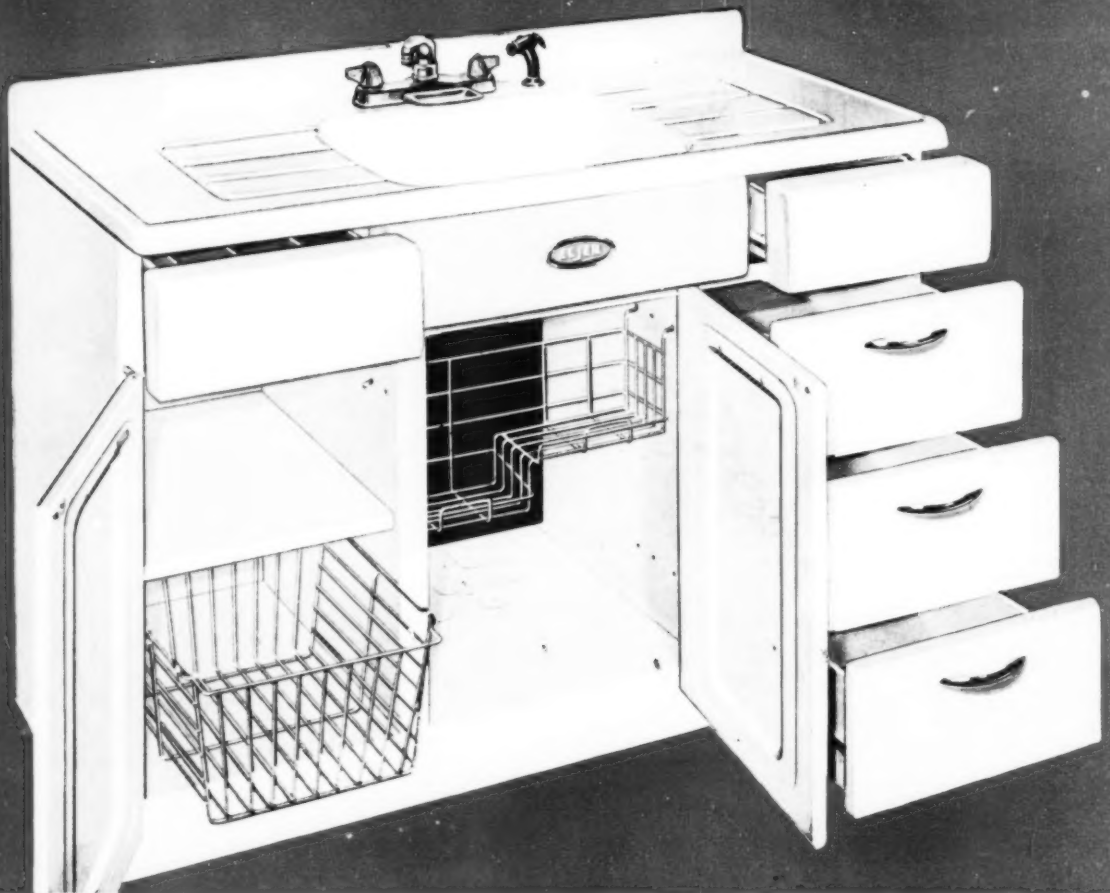
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Forecasts Point to 1954 As Another Banner Year

Predictions from both government and industry are filled with good news for home builders: 1954 promises to be another big year in housing.

The Departments of Commerce and Labor have produced a joint estimate in which they say residential construction will decline only slightly in the coming year. An upsurge in rehabilitation work, in additions and alterations, will offset most of the drop in new housing units.

Outlays for new units may decline by around seven per cent. Whether or not this happens will depend on the kind of selling job that is done. Buyers will be searching for good solid values; but the market is there and it can be tapped by aggressive imaginative selling.

Walter Williams, Under Secretary of Commerce, told the National Association of Real Estate Boards in a recent speech that his department believes 1954 will be "another boom year for building." He said there should be no "major faltering" in any important segment of construction.

"Many observers find it hard to believe," Williams said, "that we can continue the pace during the next year and they believe that a fairly sharp decline must occur and soon. This is not necessarily the case."

The Commerce Department official cited population growth, the "booming enterprise" of marriage, the mobility of people and industry, the "replacement potential" for housing, and the wide distribution of purchasing power as supporting factors for building activity.

"I can see nothing except a steadily increasing market for new dwellings," Williams declared. He said there is no "mature economy" in construction or real estate, and added that there appears no reason to believe construction has been overdone."

With initiative and salesmanship, 1954 could be one of our best years, he added.

The basis for Williams' optimistic outlook was contained in the joint Labor-Commerce estimate on 1954 construction. This forecast revealed that government officials expect about 1,000,000 housing starts during the year. Public starts will contribute little to this total.

Expenditures for all types of construction are expected to be around \$34 billion. Commercial construction, estimated to reach an all-time high, will make a substantial contribution to this figure.

In line with these estimates from the government, the United States Chamber of Commerce has issued its own prediction on 1954 housing starts. The chamber agrees that new starts will be in the neighborhood of 1,000,000.

Reports from mortgage and finance people indicate there will be adequate funds at no higher interest rates than now, and possibly slightly lower rates, the chamber said. It cited the "tremendous public response" to National Home Week as evidence of the high potential demand which still exists for new housing.

Lumber Manufacturers and Associations Display at 1954 NAHB Show

For the first time in the ten year history of the National Association of Home Builders, the annual exhibition will contain a large-scale display by stock woodwork manufacturers. At the same time, it will mark the initial showing of a large group of lumber manufacturers and associations. A total of 30 booths in the main exhibit hall of Chicago's Hotel Sherman will make up this unique joint exhibit, comprising the displays of five lumber associations and 20 lumber and millwork manufacturers.

The associations which have entered the NAHB show are the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, Western Pine Association, Ponderosa
(Continued on page 44)

Lenders Told They Must Help Keep Market Strong

The nation's lenders must help maintain the mass housing market by providing mortgage financing based on low down payments, long-term mortgages and a moderate interest rate, according to John M. Dickerman, executive director of the National Association of Home Builders.

In a speech at the annual convention of the Mortgage Bankers Association, Dickerman said some lenders apparently want to return to "horse and buggy" financing of the 1920's. He called upon the bankers to join home builders in repudiating this movement.

"Home building today is a mass market industry and home financing must be fitted to the needs and buying power of that market," Dickerman said. "There is no sounder risk in the world than the American home buyer," he added.

Dickerman scoffed at recent statements by some lenders who claim housing demand has been satisfied. He said it is "blind folly" to say the nation's housing needs have been met.

"We in the home building industry know there is a need for at least 1,000,000 new homes a year, and we are confident there will be a ready market for them if the proper financing is available," he said. He asserted it is to the mutual interest of builders and bankers to maintain this market.

Those who insist there is no longer a mass market for housing and that home ownership should be restricted to the relatively few who can afford 30, 40 or 50 per cent down payments, would seem to have little faith in the future growth and prosperity of America.

"The home building industry does not share in their lack of faith. We believe the American people will demand a continually rising standard of housing and that the vast majority of forward-looking mortgage lenders will help them obtain it on terms they can afford," Dickerman said.

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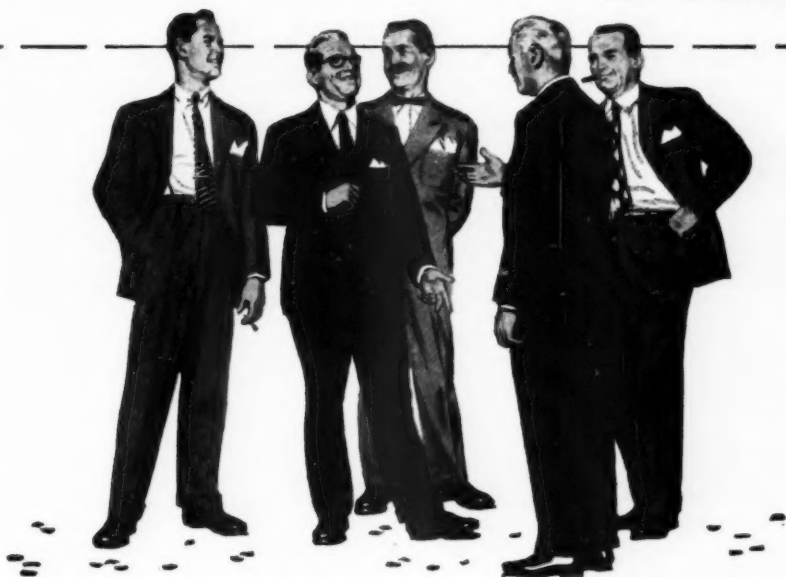
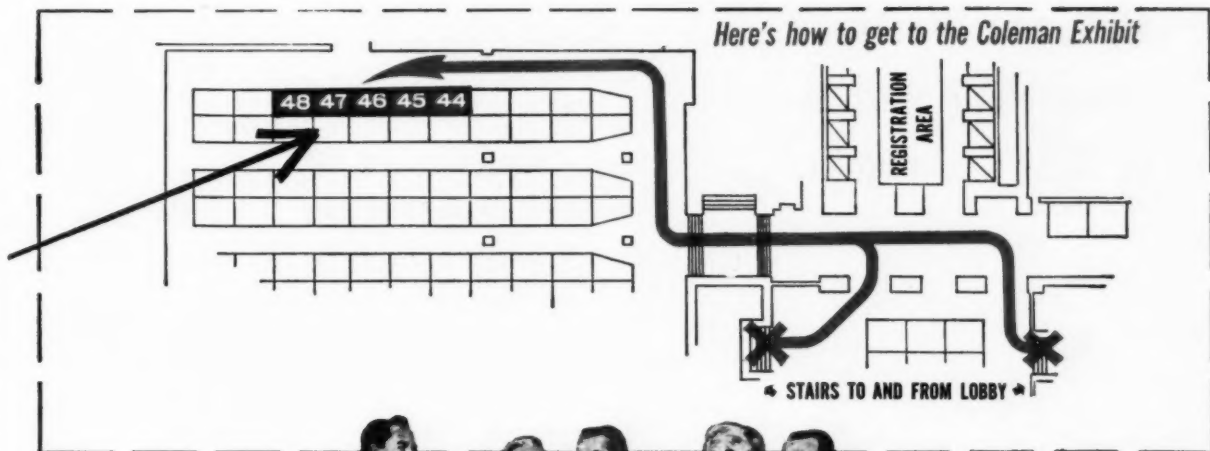
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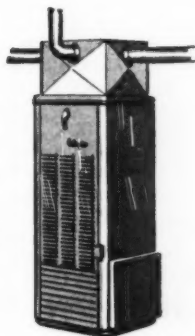
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Hollyday Wants Faster FHA Approval of New Techniques

The Federal Housing Administration is "working hard" on a backlog of proposed technical advances, and Commissioner Guy T. O. Hollyday hopes there will be "marked improvement" in the near future.

The commissioner mentioned this speed-up in a recent speech which he called "A New Look at FHA." Hollyday said FHA must take a new look at architectural developments. He said families who want to live in 1953 model houses should not be penalized because they don't like "the Cape Cod architecture of 1934."

Hollyday revealed that he has been in contact with the National Bureau of Standards, seeking assistance in examining and passing on new building methods and techniques. He is doing this, he said, "so the FHA service can be speeded up."

Another area in which FHA is taking a "new look" at its operations is in connection with older houses.

"I believe the stability of the mortgage and real estate market would be definitely encouraged by treating mortgages on existing and new houses alike," Hollyday declared. He said there is a need for "a more adequate ratio" of loan-to-value in financing existing construction.

Hollyday went on to say that FHA operations are being studied in an effort to simplify the agency's work. He wants "unnecessary complexities" removed, with fewer "numbers" and "gadgets in the statutes." He thinks the insured mortgage plan should be brought back to the simple premises on which it was originally based—ratio of loan-to-value and analysis of borrower, property and transaction.

In taking his new look, Hollyday cited some areas in which he believes operations can be expanded. He said FHA must be provided with "more realistic mortgage ceilings" for elevator-type structures.

"We must be realistic about prefabricated houses, too," he added. He suggested that prefabricated housing "may well be of assistance in attacking the old problem of providing adequate housing for minority groups."

Still another area in which FHA can expand is in neighborhood conservation. Hollyday said his agency has recommended that it be given a "new tool" based on economic soundness that will provide a means for helping cities conserve their housing.

Dealer's Viewpoint

H. R. NORTHUP, Executive Vice President,
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Suggests Higher Interest Rates, Lower Down Payments on Loans

Beyond question, the housing programs conducted by the federal government in recent years have placed major emphasis on aid to home building in metropolitan areas. Yet at least 40 per cent of the new homes constructed are in non-metropolitan areas.

In addition, preferential credit terms on FHA-insured dwellings have been directed principally to low-income and multi-family units, to the disadvantage of that large segment of the public which needs and can afford homes in the \$11,000 to \$15,000 price range.

As a means of putting federal housing policies into better balance, the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association has proposed that the government take several important steps.

First, we have urged that FHA either permit higher interest rates on insured housing loans in outlying areas where shortages of mortgage funds so often are felt or else authorize lenders to collect increased charges for originating and servicing loans in those areas. We made this suggestion because when mortgage money becomes tight, as was the case during much of 1953, it is the prospective home owners in non-metropolitan areas who have the greatest difficulty in obtaining loans.

Second, we recommended that the maximum amount of an FHA insured loan on single family homes be increased from \$16,000 to \$20,000 and that the maximum amounts on two, three, and four family units be increased to \$24,000, \$27,000, and \$30,000 respectively. Acceptance of this proposal would mean that a good many more middle-income fam-

ilies would be able to enjoy the advantages of FHA-insured loans.

NRLDA also has proposed that down payment requirements be reduced in the \$11,000-\$15,000 range.

In conveying our recommendations to the government, we explained the lumber dealer's interest in housing credit policies as follows:

"The economic welfare of the 26,000 retail lumber and building materials distributors in the 48 states of America depends completely upon their ability to serve the new construction and the alteration, maintenance, and repair needs of the home buying public, the farmer, and the commercial and industrial establishments of America.

"The retail lumber and building materials distributor, in addition to being the final link in the chain of distribution of building materials between the manufacturer and the consumer, is at the same time, either in his own right or in cooperation with his contractors, the builder of a very substantial proportion of the residential and commercial structures built outside the metropolitan areas of America. He also is the one principal source of supply and information with respect to the utilization of lumber and building materials for the great volume of maintenance and repair activities that are required to keep the nation's homes, farms, and commercial structures in good condition.

"He serves the consumer not only as a supplier and a builder, but also as an architectural adviser and as an adviser on sources of credit required to finance the many new construction and maintenance and repair activities which originate with him."

Easier Mortgage Money Helps Keep Starts High

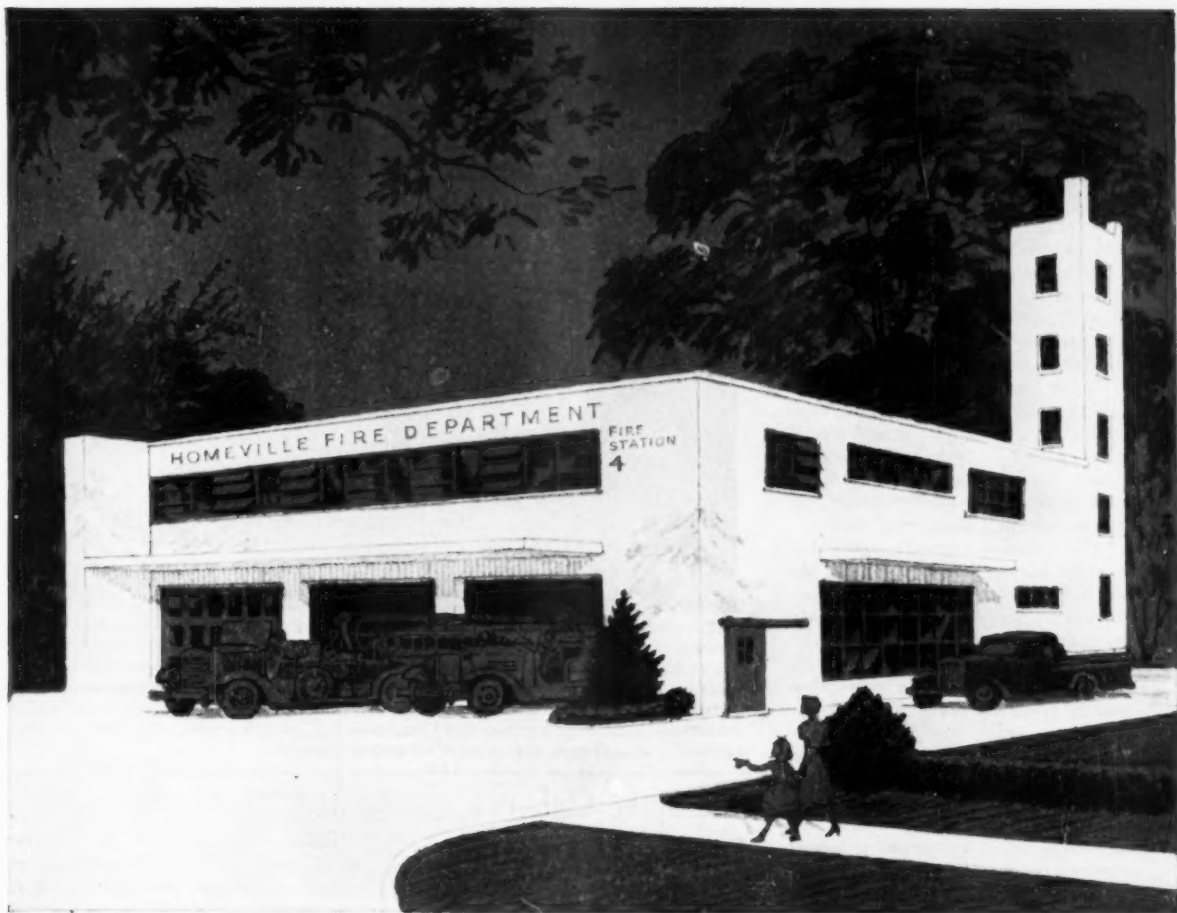
A steadily-improving mortgage money situation in the closing weeks of 1953 was holding housing starts above the seasonal level. As a result, there was little doubt total starts this year would again pass the 1,000,000 mark.

Latest figures from the Bureau of Labor Statistics showed total starts of 952,100 for the first ten months. The bureau said public housing starts dwindled to less than 50 in October, while private starts were holding up.

An over-all decline of 4 per cent in all starts from September to October reflected the "virtual absence" of new public starts, BLS reported.

Good weather, settlement of scattered strikes and less uncertainty over mortgage money have contributed to the less-than-seasonal decline in private housing this fall. Private starts totaled 88,000 in October. Adjusted on a seasonal basis this added up to an annual rate of 1,006,000 units. This was the best showing since last July.

Unless there is a rash of bad weather early this winter, 1953 housing starts should come close to 1,100,000.



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Munnerlyn Would Assist Buyers in Outlying Areas

The FHA should take steps to assure prospective home buyers in outlying sections of the country that insured mortgage loans will be available, according to Henry J. Munnerlyn, president of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association.

"Either there should be a differential in interest rates or additional origination and servicing fees should be permitted in order to attract investors to those areas where funds often are not available under the present system," Munnerlyn said.

"This problem has been particularly acute during recent months in the South, Southwest and Western states," Munnerlyn continued. "At times when mortgage money is relatively scarce, difficulty in financing insured loans has been experienced in non-metropolitan areas in other parts of the country as well."

The NRLDA president said benefits of FHA insurance should be made equally available to home buyers everywhere. This can happen, he added, only when geographical factors affecting the local supply of mortgage funds are recognized and provided for in FHA's regulations.

"When mortgage money becomes scarce, lenders tend to confine their loans to communities where the costs of arranging and servicing loans is the lowest, because that is the most convenient and profitable way for them to operate. However, allowance for geographical factors will help to make funds available everywhere on an equal basis.

"The areas in question account for at least one-third of all new homes built annually and thus represent a large segment of the total housing market."

Educational Department Begun by NAHB

NAHB has opened an educational department to meet increasing demands from schools and colleges for factual home building information. Director is Elizabeth Robinson, who resigned as editor of the *Grade Teacher*, a trade magazine with wide circulation among grammar school teachers. She will be a member of the public relations staff headed by Conrad P. "Pat" Harness.

Chief Spiegel Dons Albuquerque Regalia



In the course of his recent Western speaking tour, E. M. Spiegel, president of the National Association of Home Builders, took time out to be inducted into the Albuquerque Indian tribe which is composed of a small group prominent in the home building industry and its allied activities. Shown above are Mr. and Mrs. Spiegel being congratulated after induction ceremonies by Dale J. Bellamah, regional vice president of NAHB and member of the Executive Committee. Spiegel was named "Chief of all Hogan Builders"; Mrs. Spiegel was named an Indian princess

The Spike Club— Latest NAHB Venture

The National Association of Home Builders has announced the formation of the Spike Club, an organization which will be dedicated to the home building industry, while under the auspices of NAHB. Its aim is to create interest in the association at both the local and national levels.

Its objective is to encourage members to participate in their local activities and bring new members into the association. A public relations program along charitable lines is planned for the future.

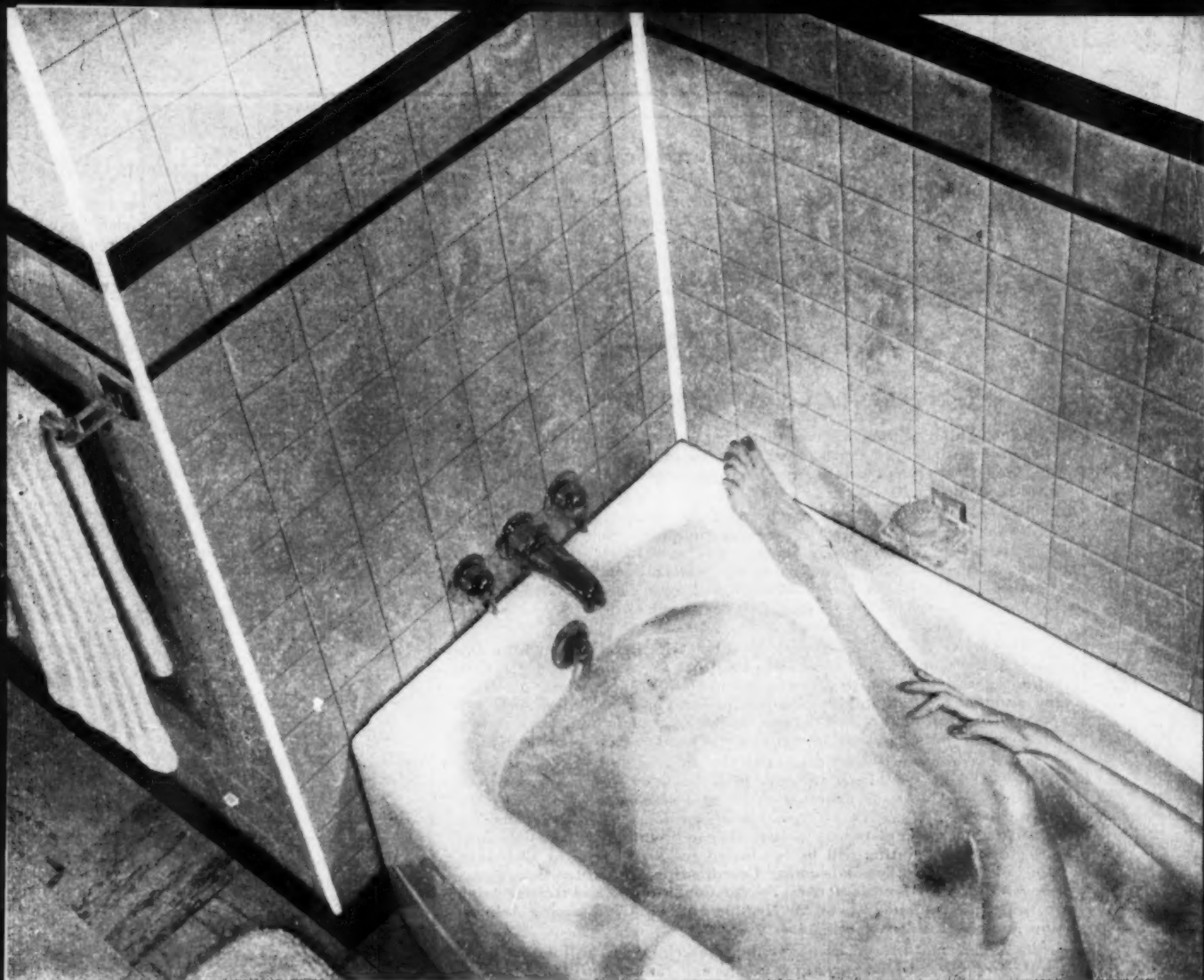
The Club is divided into four types of membership: Six-, ten-, twelve- and sixteen-penny. Six penny members must qualify by bringing in six new members to the association during any one calendar year; ten or twelve penny members simply have to add four or six new members to their original six. These can be accumulated over more than one calendar year; all members up to this rank must maintain membership by bringing in at least one new member each year. Sixteen penny members must bring in a total of 16 new members to their association over a period of years. When a member of The Spike Club reaches this status, he automatically becomes a life member of the club.

A special organizational ceremony and initiation of certified Spike Club members will take place during the 1954 Annual NAHB Convention at a private banquet on January 18 at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

Canadian Government Acts to Step Up Home Building Volume

The Canadian government is considering the passage of important housing legislation designed to make 1954 the Dominion's biggest home building year. The Ottawa parliament is attempting to avoid a situation wherein home building might fall behind the nation's increasing population. In 1953, nearly 100,000 new houses were built, more than in any previous year. The population, however, grew by approximately 400,000, or less than one new house for each four new citizens.

One important law being contemplated will permit banks to make real estate investments. At present, banks are legally barred from engaging in mortgage lending. The projected banking law would place limits on the proportion of bank assets which could be issued in mortgages. It would restrict loans to new residential property insured under a mortgage scheme, also under development.



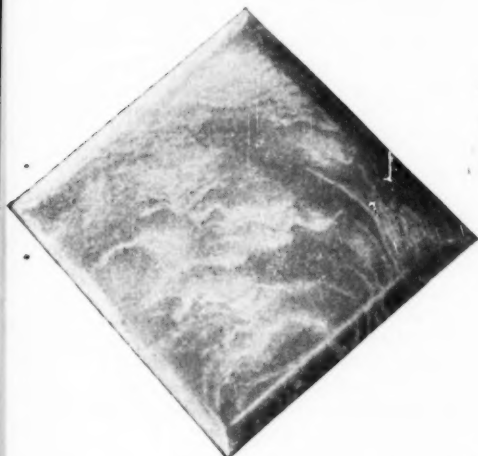
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Dickerman's Column

John M. Dickerman, Executive Director, National Association of Home Builders of the United States

Plans Complete Research Texas Air Conditioning Project

Home builders who are concerned with the possibilities of air conditioning in their own construction planning can expect to reap practical dividends from an unusual research project scheduled to get under way shortly in Austin, Texas.

Responsible builders in many parts of the country outside the warm and mild climate regions have for some time been giving serious attention to air conditioning as a feature that may in the not too distant future become as essential a part of the modern home as kitchen facilities and heating systems are today. Judging by the broad public interest in this relatively new development, it may well emerge as one of our industry's major merchandising tools.

Cooperative studies undertaken by the NAHB Research Institute and leading air conditioning manufacturers, and particularly the Air Conditioning and Refrigerating Institute and the National Warm Air Heating and Air Conditioning Association, already have produced some important data on design, installation, operating and maintenance factors of air conditioning systems in medium and small house construction.

But more facts are needed in order to make central air conditioning readily available for homes in lower price brackets, and this gap in our technical knowledge is expected to be at least partially filled by the Austin project. A total of 14 typical detached houses will be constructed in Austin, each complete with central air conditioning, and detailed field observation and testing will be conducted for a full year by Chairman Ned Cole's NAHB Air Conditioning Coordinating Committee in cooperation with industry representatives, the Air Conditioning and Refrigerating Institute, the National Warm Air Heating and Air Conditioning Association and the University of Texas.

Final plans and specifications for the research project will not be fixed until after the NAHB Convention in Chicago January 17-22, 1954, but it is considered probable that the initial cost and size of the air conditioning systems used will be less than presently recommended for particular house designs.

Specification questions to be investigated will include the effective use of various window areas, the cost of cooling per 1,000 square feet of floor area, reasonable minimum design standards, installation detail, and satisfactory means of protecting the home buyer against excessive cost of installation, maintenance and operation.

The 14 houses will be built by individual members of the Austin Home Builders Association and will be tested for the 12-month period under actual living conditions through agreements with the individual home owners.

In addition to the research problems previously listed, the project also will investigate the cooling requirements and effect of various types of construction; the most practicable and simple types of distribution systems; effective control methods, and the possible effect of air conditioning on various building materials and elements of the house, including exterior and interior finish, textures and furnishings.

All 14 homes will be in the \$12,000 price range without land, and each will contain 1,100 square feet of floor area. The project will include both single-level and split-level homes, with both wood frame and masonry construction.

It is anticipated that a number of similar research projects will be developed in other parts of the country in order to provide as wide a range of data as possible for builders in various regions.

The results of these investigations should be of invaluable aid to the builder in his search for better ways to develop and sell his product, and should be of substantial benefit to the home buyer and his family in their quest for better living.

NAHB to Repeat Essay Contest for Students

Due to the unprecedented interest in housing among school students, the National Association of Home Builders has announced a second annual essay contest. Since the association's successful 1953 contest, over 200,000 copies of its 8-page school lesson on housing, "Better Homes for Family Living," have been requested by teachers in 48 states, and requests for a new film strip, "Your New Home—How to Take Care of It," are being received at NAHB headquarters at the rate of 100 per day.

The new contest calls for submission by students of a 600-word theme on the subject, "Why Home Ownership Builds Good Citizenship." School students aged 10-18 inclusive may enter. Deadline for submission of essays is April 1, 1954. Prizes ranging from \$500 to \$25 will be awarded the ten winners, with the grand prize winner and his teacher-sponsor also receiving an all-expense trip to Washington, D. C., next May, where they will be honored at the annual spring meeting of the NAHB Board of Directors.

In cities where the NAHB has an affiliated home building association, contest entries will be handled through the local group. All information is available from Essay Contest Director, NAHB, 1028 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Lumber Manufacturers

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Pine Woodwork, Fir Door Institute and the National Woodwork Manufacturers' Association, the latter to share Ponderosa's exhibit space at the entrance of the display.

Lumber manufacturers and millwork firms which have agreed to combine forces in this large joint enterprise, although competitors, include Weyerhaeuser Sales Co., Timber Engineering Co., Curtis Companies, Carr, Adams & Collier Co., Malta Manufacturing Co., Farley & Loetscher Manufacturing Co., Long Bell Lumber Co., Huttig Manufacturing Co., Andersen Corp., Wabash Screen Door Co., Ideal Co., Roach & Musser Co., Morgan Co., and one booth representing seven different Wisconsin lumber manufacturers: Anson & Gilkey Co., Great Lakes Millwork Corp., Rockwell Manufacturing Corp., Northern Sash & Door Co., Silcrest Co., Hurd Millwork Corp. and Semling-Menke Co.

A common decorating pattern will help to tie all of these various woodwork exhibits together, uniting them as a combined theme.



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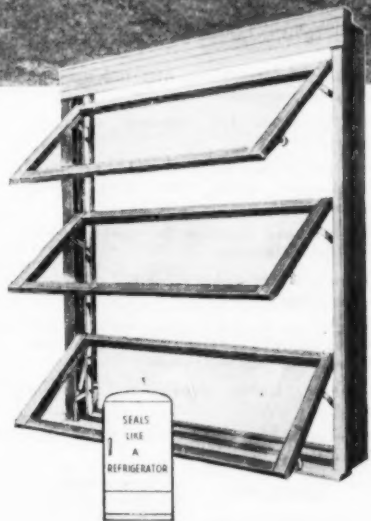
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ON and OFF the RECORD

ANDY PLACE is proudly displaying the recreation park complete with swimming pool and bathhouse which the owners in his 1953 development created with an assist from Andy.

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SALE OF the stock to the corporation members netted enough to purchase a prefabricated regulation size swimming pool, erect bathhouses, and landscape a generous surrounding area.

THAT'S WHERE ANDY came in. The owners asked him to donate the land, which he did. It is an irregular piece of ground conveniently located along one edge of the development. He did the rough grading. The owners did the rest.

FROM THIS POINT ON, says Andy, a park corporation can be set up for the owners that will include their holding stock in the purchase price. It's a great idea, and one which should commend itself to every development builder.

WE CONCUR, whether the community builds a concrete pool or purchases one of several prefabricated steel pools on the market. These can be purchased complete with erection service.

TENNIS AND badminton courts will be added to the community park in South Bend in the spring of 1954.

IF NOTHING ELSE, the idea is a great sales plus. Even in cities with adequate park and swimming facilities there is a real advantage in a private setup, located in the development. And the cost to the builder and the owners is very little.

ON THE SUBJECT of community development it would be interesting to see what would happen if some enterprising NAHB chapter found a way to organize one or more com-

munity councils in decaying neighborhoods. Purpose to be aid in generating pride among the inhabitants of the given community to the end that they would begin to clean up and fix up their houses, lawns, alleys.

THE AID should not be in the form of subsidies or grants—just direction in organizing. From that point on it is up to the neighborhood.

NOTHING NEW in the suggestion, except as it pertains to an NAHB chapter. Most dramatic example of what can be done is afforded by the Back of The Yards Neighborhood Council serving the area back of the stockyards in Chicago.

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CARNIVAL NETS up to \$70,000, enough to maintain headquarters' office and pay a full time executive officer and staff of four or five.

COUNCIL HAS THE blessing and cooperation (no money) of packing houses, department stores and churches. In a short time has added hundreds of thousands of dollars to property values, stopped the drift of home owners to suburban areas, cleaned up the alleys and streets, converted old and abandoned store buildings to apartments, sodded vacant lots, and sold many to owners of adjoining houses.

MAYBE BACK OF THE YARDS is phenomenal, but since the council has succeeded so well, the idea seems worthy of a try by builder organizations in other cities where blight is a problem.

HAROLD SARSHIK, currently president of the South Jersey Home Builders League, an NAHB affiliate, says that air conditioning is much more necessary in houses costing \$12,000 to \$15,000 than in houses costing \$25,000 and up. So, his 1953 development, in the lower price bracket, is air conditioned.

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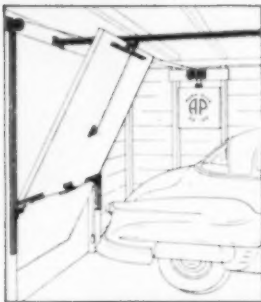
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REASON, HE SAYS, is twofold. In the first place, the lower price houses have less room, less total area and smaller rooms. More people in less space are always more uncomfortable in warm and hot weather.

SECOND, the people in the higher price houses usually have enough money to get away frequently or for a long period in the summer. They can reach nature's air conditioning in the north country or by the sea.

HE ADDS THAT this reasoning in no way depreciates the desirability of air conditioning in larger houses. It simply points up the real need for it in smaller units.

TAKING A CUE from several low price developments on Long Island, The Wall Street Journal recently headlined an article, "Within three years a new house NOT air conditioned WILL BE A DUD."

THE ARTICLE states the case for air conditioning in low price houses by reporting warm response to project houses priced as low as \$11,900, and equipped with cooling systems.

THE FOREGOING are not isolated cases. There are dozens of similar examples in many parts of the country. Together they indicate an unlimited future for air conditioning, and if The Wall Street Journal is right, predict that air conditioning soon will be as established a "must" as central heat.

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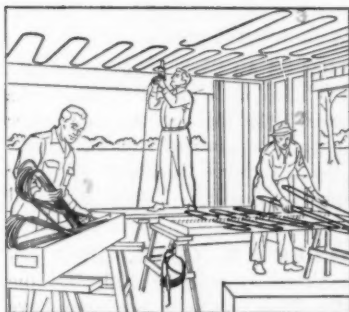
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Considering only the rate of air flow through the material, it is not difficult to

realize that—given a twenty-mile per hour wind and an outside temperature of zero—the structure is soon filled with air at zero temperature. The average heating system would not be capable of offsetting this cold for any great length of time. And it is hardly practical to install heating equipment with a margin of safety sufficient to offset all heat loss from air infiltration, under all possible adverse weather conditions.

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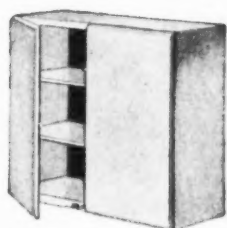
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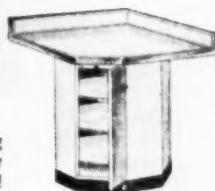
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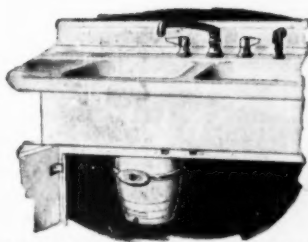


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housing for the over 65

Sir: Congratulations on your article about retirement housing appearing in your November, 1953, issue of the *American Builder*.

I have already had reason to call attention to the article in several communities where housing for older people is under study and I expect to continue to make a great deal of use of it. Does the magazine supply reprints? A good many people would be interested in acquiring copies.

Wilma Donahue,
Division of Gerontology,
University of Michigan

Sir: I have read with great interest the article which you prepared on the housing needs of elderly people. You are to be congratulated upon having prepared this material in such readable fashion. You have written a very provocative article which certainly should stimulate thinking and action with respect to the problem of housing persons over sixty-five.

Ralph W. Martin,
Executive Secretary,
The Chicago Real Estate Board

expert advises AB experts!

Sir: In your *Ask the Experts* department for October, 1953, there is a question and a comment concerning installing sheathing and subflooring diagonally.

First, as regards sheathing, the principal advantage of diagonal sheathing is, in my opinion, not to provide bracing for the building wall, but to tie the wall together between floors.

With platform frame construction, which is now standard, and with horizontal sheathing, the wall frame is held to the sill or joists, as the case may be, with nails in tension whereas with diagonal sheathing the nails are in shear.

Second, as to diagonal subflooring, a finished floor is much more solid if laid at right angles to the joists. This cannot be done satisfactorily if the sheathing is also laid at right angles to the joists because the variations in widths would make

it certain that some joints in finished and subfloors would coincide and give no worthwhile nailing.

C. H. Conroy, Chief Engineer,
Department of Public Works,
St. John's, Newfoundland

trade-ins work for Alabama realtor-builder

Sir: We have just completed and sold a house for \$8,750. The house is financed with FHA to the amount of \$7,000. In this deal, we are taking a house valued at \$2,300. We have done this once before and it has proved satisfactory.

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on the house to cover the loan cost which increased the price to \$9,050. FHA was very cooperative.

Trading is one way builders can dispose of the new homes they build. This not only helps the builder, but it helps the people raise their standard of living.

Roy E. Smith, Jr.,
R. E. Smith, Sr.,
1644 Bessemer Rd.,
Birmingham, Alabama

mortgage situation— and the small builder

Sir: As a builder and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Queens Builder's Association of New York, I think that you should know that the mortgage situation, especially for the builder of 50 small homes or less, has become impossible.

Mortgages for veterans for 30 years and 5 per cent down are impossible to get. Loopholes are used by banks to break commitments. Even 5 and 5½ per cent mortgages for 25 years, and less than a third down are almost impossible to get. Banks that do not have a long-time

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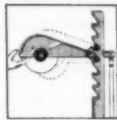
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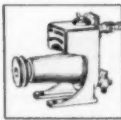
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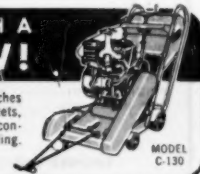
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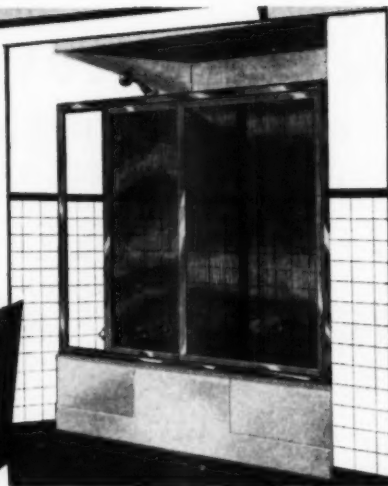
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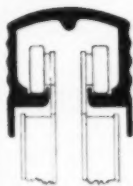
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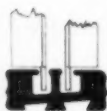
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experience with you are not even interested in discussing your new jobs.

This situation, coupled with a summer of strikes, has done a great deal to demoralize the builder of limited means. It has greatly curtailed small home construction in the New York area. The bankers and mortgage men that our association has contacted blame the current government's bond market activities.

Whatever the fault, I, for one, can see no relief in the near future. I should certainly appreciate reading, in your future issues, any new information or advice you can offer.

Harold Miller,
Builders and Realtors,
231 Buffalo Ave.,
Brooklyn, New York

► New housing legislation expected early in 1954 and the development of a realistic second-mortgage market are expected to relieve this condition.—The Editor

wants information on prefabricating house parts

Sir: I am trying to get as much information as possible on building houses in sections in the shop and then hauling them by truck to location. I have to put up a building since I plan to make it an all year round business, and will have to build the sections inside.

You may have available plans for such a layout and suggestions regarding jigs, etc. We think this method of building has an advantage over building the complete house on the construction site and then moving it to the owner's place which involves quite a moving expense.

William H. Regier,
Regier Millworks,
Mountain Lake, Minnesota

► Regier will appreciate hearing from any builder who can answer his query.—The Editor

"profitable" is word for October issue

Sir: As a subscriber of *American Builder*, I am happy to inform you that the October issue has been very profitable to me for the simple rea-

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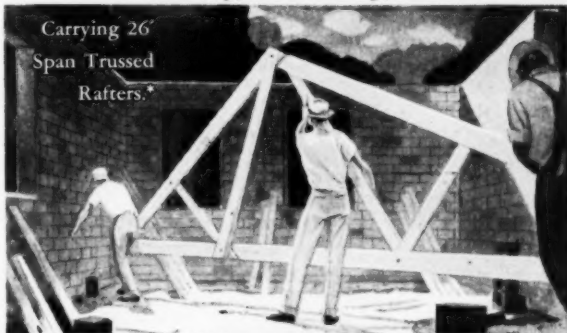
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son that I have contracted to build two houses from that issue.

For one year I have been trying to find or design a house to fill the needs of one of my customers. While looking through your October issue, I came upon a split-level home with the exact requirements for the home site and the customer needs.

Ralph C. San Antonio,
336 West Shore Rd.,

Warwick, Rhode Island

P.S. I have sent in my renewal subscription for three years.

a table for jack rafters?

Sir: When I received my November issue of the *American Builder*, I was very happy to find the Roof Framing Table on page 152. I find it very valuable and so I have notched the paper so that it will open at that page when I want it.

I would like to see you print a similar table for common and jack rafters. Could you publish it in the near future?

Oscar West,
Motor Route #3,
Bryan, Ohio

► Please see the *Wilson Rafter Tables* on pages 208-209 in the January, 1953, issue of the *American Builder*.—The Editor

Florida manufacturer likes Builder photographs

Sir: We would like to have the name and address of the photographer who photographed the Modern-Aire Motor Hotel used as the subject of the article *Motel Units Quickly Convert into Suites*, appearing in September *American Builder*, pages 94-96.

The pictures are of particular interest because they show the Gate City Wood Awning Windows in the open position. These views show our window to advantage, and the others may be of equal value to us.

J. Rolland Jones,
Gate City Sash & Door Co.,
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

► Pictures were taken by American Builder staff members; photographs and drawings used with story were sent to window manufacturer.—The Editor

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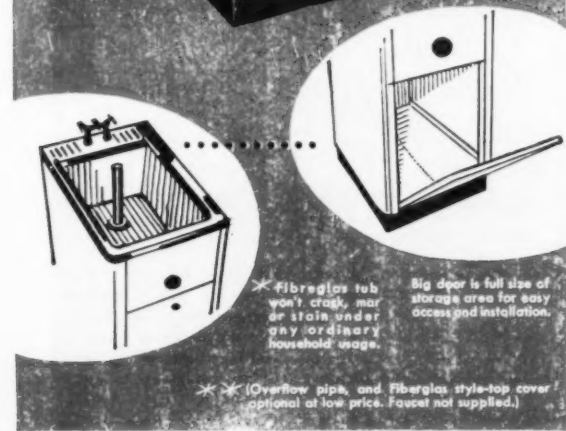
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APPROACH TO THE PROBLEM OF GRADING

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KEEPING DOWN land preparation costs is a rigid requirement for any tract developer. The money spent in any substantial cut or fill may easily equal what the lot is worth. This excess cost of preparation is never reflected in any valuation placed on the lot and hence is money wasted.

Best way to guarantee reasonable costs for land preparation (or "manufacture") is to select land which has as favorable topographic characteristics as possible, obtain an accurate topographic and boundary line survey, and then develop your site plan to fit the topography.

Locating streets to follow natural drainage lines means a minimum of earth moving. The topography itself, if carefully studied when lotting the land, will often quite naturally bring the grade of the building sites into good relationship to the grade of the streets. Ideally, this difference in grade should not be more than three feet. Or, to express it another way, the finished house grade should be not less than one foot above the elevation of the curb with a 25-foot building line. In any case, the grade should be

sloped away from the building for a distance of at least three feet.

Rough land with steep slopes (grades of over 15 per cent are excessive and require special treatment) poses the serious problems of erosion and roadway grades. Roads should normally follow natural drainage lines or ridge locations, at right angles or nearly so to the contours. But if side hill locations for roads are unavoidable, then the drainage problem will be complicated by requiring extra deep sewer lines. Building sites will then be above and below the road grades, which complicates sewer connections on the low side, as well as the matter of driveways and drainage for the downhill lots. All this will add greatly to cost of preparing land.

Roads cut directly across contours at grades exceeding 10 or 12 per cent are also to be avoided if possible, because this develops a stepped effect which must be compensated for by costly banks or retaining walls.

Maximum Slopes and Erosion Control

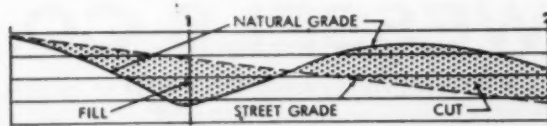
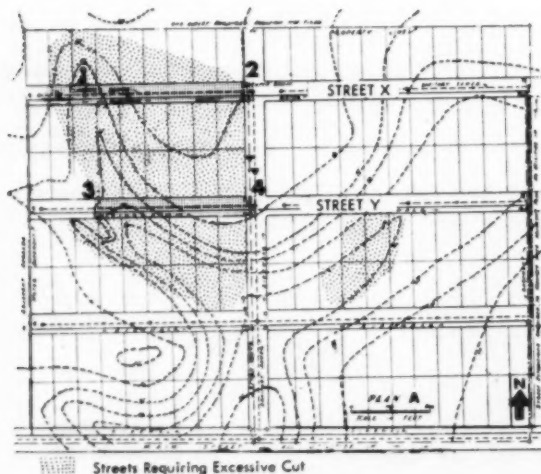
Where earth cuts are made, FHA

recommends that the slopes shall be not steeper than 1½ horizontal to 1 vertical. Where earth fills have to be made, FHA's standard is that the slopes shall be not steeper than 2 horizontal to 1 vertical.

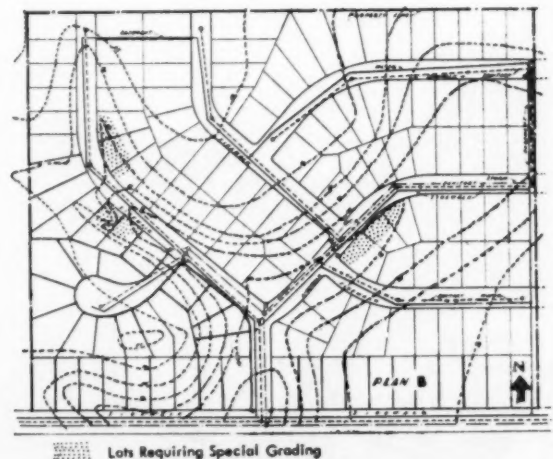
A usable rear yard should be provided which is at least 15 feet in depth from the building wall to the toe of an upward slope or to the toe of a downward slope. Whenever practical, each lot should be graded so that storm water will drain from the back yard through the side yards and front yard directly toward the abutting street, and not across other lots or onto cut and fill slopes. When this cannot be done, storm water should be carried along the top of the banks by swales or other means to a properly constructed outfall. Slopes should be planted with soil-fixing vines or shrubs, or otherwise treated to stabilize them.

Where fills are made in hillsides or slopes, the slope of the original ground upon which the fill is to be placed should be plowed or scarified deeply to bind the fill to the original ground. Material used for

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Profile of Street X cut and fill as required by Plan A



These two development plans for the same tract show how uneconomical the gridiron is (left). Street X alone, between points 1 and 2, will require an average cut of at least 5 feet over a length of about 400 feet to take care of drainage to point 2. Street Y will require similar treatment. In each case, additional street grading will be necessary to make abutting lots buildable. Plan B eliminates extra grading. (From "Home Builders Manual for Land Development," 1953)

basic machines used for land preparation



DITCHER: digs curb trenches, foundation footing trenches and secondary sewer and water-main trenches; also back fills with attached bulldozer blade

A PIONEER in carving new planned communities out of the rugged land of the Seattle area, Builder Albert Balch has had plenty of opportunity to test and find the right machines for land preparation.

"We now have about \$100,000 invested in earth-moving and other major construction equipment, at today's prices for such equipment," Balch states. "Building in volume on land whose character makes preparation cost very high, we figure we can do the job more economically than do builders who have to rent the equipment for land preparation. There is also a tax saving to be considered when you invest in these machines. Book value depreciates, and sizable deductions from income tax can be made."

The photographs show some of the key machines in Balch's set-up; an inventory appears on page 64.



PAYLOADER: moves dirt and gravel on the site by loading truck; also does rough street grading, rough land clearing and brush clearing. Indispensable for work on rugged terrain



APPROACH TO GRADING PROBLEM

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ONE-HALF-YARD UTILITY SHOVEL: most expensive item in Balch's complement of earth-moving equipment, shovel digs sewer and primary water-main trenches



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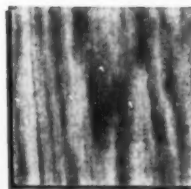
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GRADING PROBLEM
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Two important subsidiary tools are the utility trailer (top) which carries cut lumber from cutting shop to the job, and the fork-lift loader (above). This loader has a 150,000-pound capacity and is shown unloading 16g roof decking at the job

the fill should be free from vegetable matter and other deleterious substances. FHA specifies that the fill material should be placed in layers which, when compacted, do not exceed six inches.

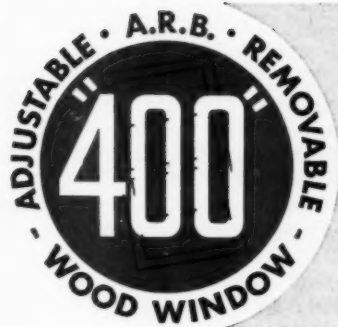
How to Prepare Hilly Land

It often happens, of course, that a builder sees real possibilities in a piece of land that does not have ideal topographic advantages for subdividing. He goes ahead anyway and by applying his land manufacture know-how makes something good from something problematical.

Such a case is that of John Bonforte of Colorado Springs and his 1,200-acre planned community, "Belmont," now being built on the edge of Pueblo, Colorado.

The site was range land, undeveloped and over-grazed. It was high land, hilly and cut up by arroyos, often more than 20 feet deep, caused by erosion. The land was afflicted by fast erosion because the subsoil is almost pure sand. Bonforte acquired 3,000 acres

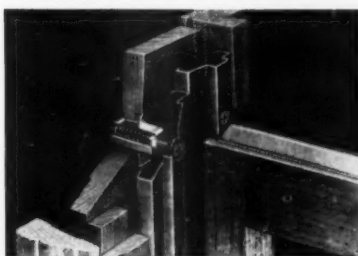
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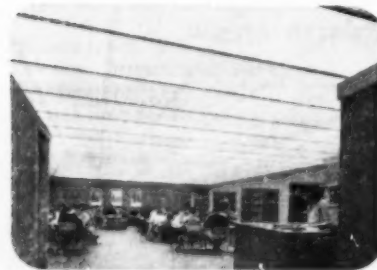


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The No. 1 development problem was adequate grading—adequate grading for the building sites and for the run-off of surface water. Bonforte purchased the land reasonably enough so that he could afford to undertake this major program in grading.

Equally basic was the problem of laying out a sewage system so that the maximum area could be developed from the initial sewer main that was extended into the tract from the city system.

The first step was to lay out this maximum area that would drain into the main trunk sewer. Then a street system was laid out to pro-

vide for the surface drainage. This meant that the streets were placed on the lowest lines of the development

"This move was sound," Bonforte states, "because it placed our streets in fill areas and our homes in the high or cut areas. In places we have had cuts of more than 14 feet and in other places fills of as much as 20 feet. But nowhere have we changed or interfered with the natural drainage run-off. All we have done is to fill in the arroyos and permit the water to drain off in surface channels, such as streets."

Bonforte ran into the problem of having streets parallel to one another, with one about 10 feet higher than the other. He solved this by bringing the land between the streets to almost an even grade; then on the high street he built houses with full basements, and on the low street, houses with crawl spaces. The houses facing on the high street were set as low as possible, sidewalk and curb grades usually being the same. The houses facing on the lower street were set as high as possible. The result is that rear yard grades are less than 4 per cent. The lots average 115 feet in depth; alleys are omitted.

Bonforte's method of procedure is as follows:

- (1) Set subgrade stakes for street.
- (2) Bring street to subgrade by cut and fill as required.
- (3) Set grade stakes on adjacent parallel street.
- (4) Bring adjacent street to subgrade.
- (5) Bring the entire area between parallel streets to an approximately even grade.
- (6) Commence house excavation.
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1	Hough tractor (ditcher) with back- hoe, light bulldozer blade and shovel attachment	5,200
1	Small Case tractor with back-hoe	4,800
1	HM Hough Pay- loader	12,300
1	International Ever- green truck-trailer	6,000
4	Light trailers (avg.)	250
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7	Ford trucks "	1,500
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1	Road grader	13,900



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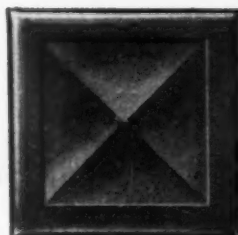
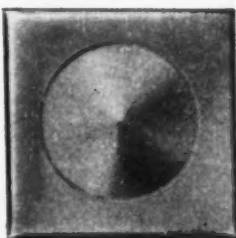


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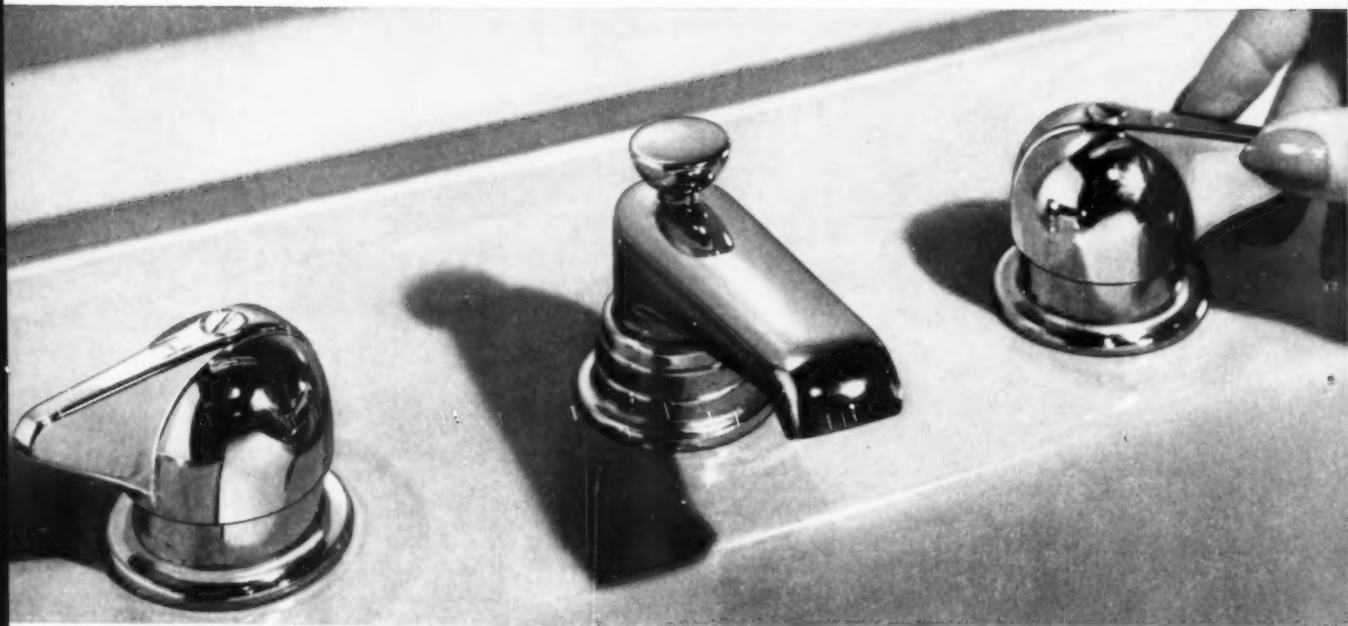
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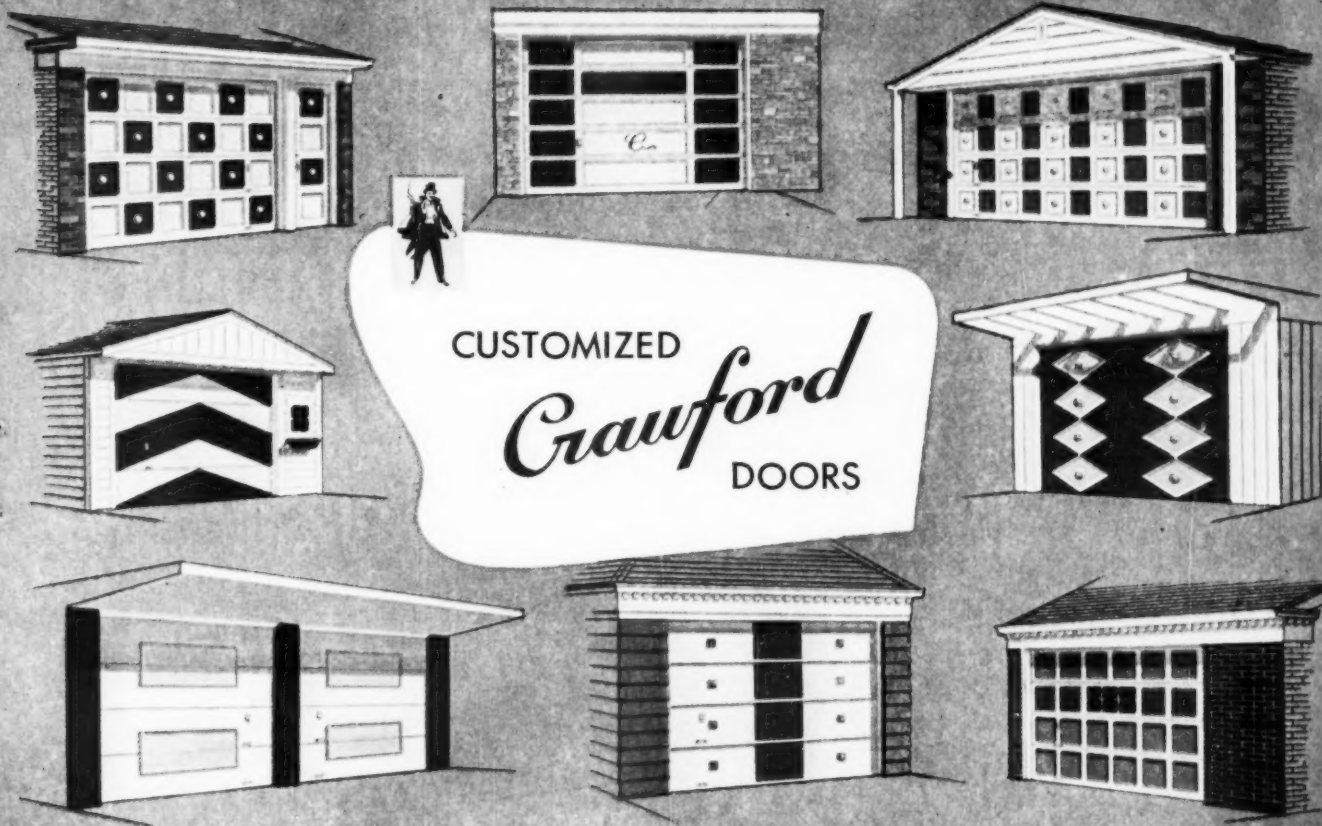
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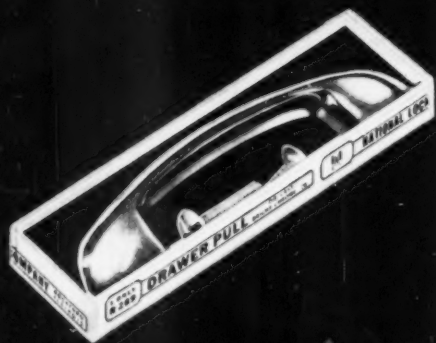
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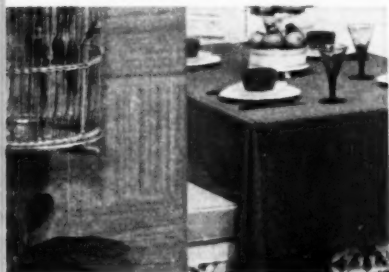
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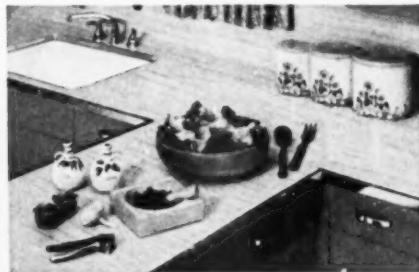
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Left: Front and carport. Note interesting color combination. Below: Ceiling of living-dining area follows slope of roof. Supporting beams and column connection at ridge line are exposed in room. The 7-foot 6-inch-high partition at right encloses the kitchen portion

AMERICAN BUILDER BLUEPRINT HOUSE

BUILDER:
Edward Rose & Sons, Detroit, Michigan

ARCHITECT:
Beinecke & Lorenz, Detroit, Michigan

SQUARE FOOT AREA:
including house, carport and porch 1,188

COST PER SQUARE FOOT:
including basement \$12.75



Front of house showing the tie-in arrangement of entrance and carport



AMERICAN BUILDER

space, price and design sell this house

THIS MODEL HOUSE induced 250 families to deposit earnest money toward the purchase of an approximate duplicate of the house in the first eight days of National Home Month. The reason was simple. After seeing the house, the prospective purchaser was able to evaluate its potentialities quickly, based on the space offered, and the price and design.

The house has three bedrooms, each with 100 square feet or more. It also contains a living-dining room having an area of 225 square feet. This,

as well as other areas of the house, gives the illusion of greater size by having the ceiling follow the slope of the roof. Door-high splayed walls in the kitchen further encourage this illusion. Bedroom and hall closets are placed at the center of the high point of the ceiling, thus providing additional storage space. Half of the basement is kept clear for a recreation area. The other half is devoted to furnace, heater, laundry tubs, etc., with a fruit storage under the entrance vestibule.

The cost of \$12.75 per square

foot is below the local market. It represents land improvement costs of from \$20 to \$25 per running foot and a \$2,500-an-acre raw land cost. It also reflects a continued paring down of the rough and finished carpentry costs through use of improved techniques. It shows a constant effort to reduce the construction period required for a finished house.

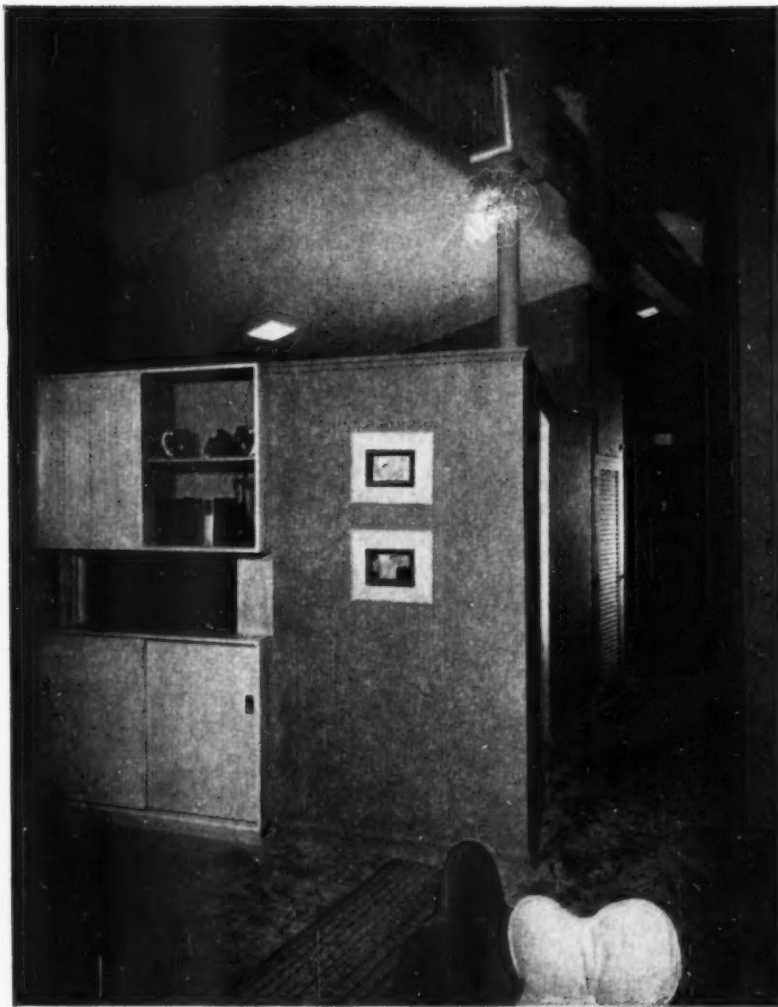
These builders are keeping abreast of the times by changing from a standard-type one story

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MORE

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Passage to bedrooms shows additional storage space available due to extra ceiling height. Two-way cabinet is built into stub wall of kitchen

BRAND NAME PRODUCTS USED

Alwintite aluminum windows with screens and storm sash
 Armstrong linoleum
 Breneman shades
 Bulldog Pushmatic electric centers
 Celotex sheathing
 Dishmaster for kitchen sink
 Formica Lavanette counter
 Fry four-ply roof
 Glide-All closet doors
 Hall-Mack accessories
 Hartshorn shades
 Kohler plumbing fixtures
 Luxaire forced warm-air furnace
 Minneapolis-Honeywell heat controls
 National Tile kitchen counter and backsplash
 Norman pressed brick
 NuTone vent fan
 Skillman hardware
 Standard Cotton insulation
 Waste-King pulverator
 Wolverine hot water heater

For complete one-quarter-inch working plans of this house, write American Builder Home Plan Service, 79 West Monroe Street, Chicago 3, Illinois.

Bathroom features clay tile on walls, Formica-topped lavanette and a horizontal-type medicine cabinet with glass sliding doors



house, of which some 965 were sold in 1952, to a design referred to by Rose Brothers as "midwest contemporary."

In this model vertical boards and face brick are used effectively on the exterior. Low roof lines produce a broad horizontal effect. The amount of glass area has been increased over that of the former model. On the interior a modern appearance has been achieved through open planning, and ceilings that follow the slope of the roof.

Two models are currently being offered by these builders, each with practically the same floor plan. Cost, based on lot sizes which vary from 55 to 80 feet in width, is \$14,400

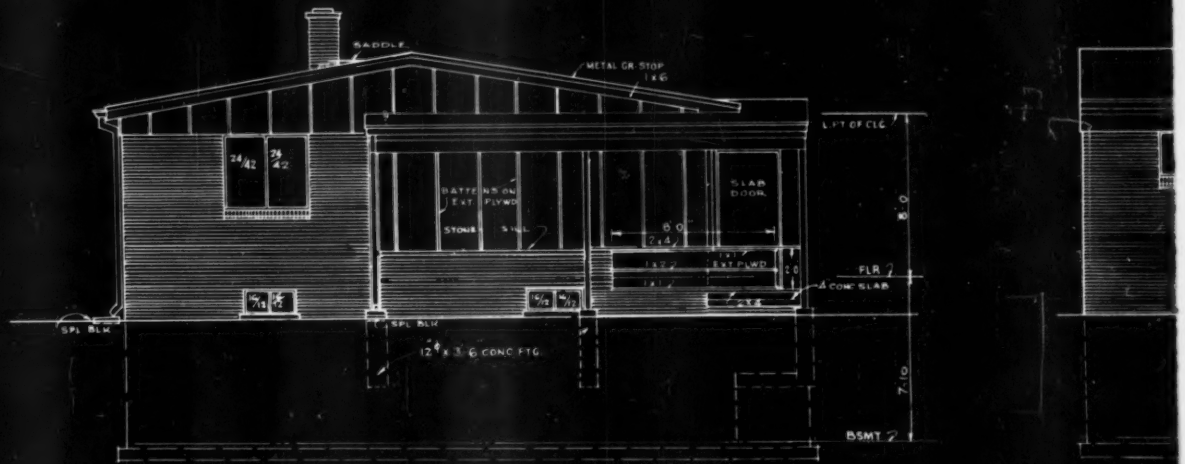
to \$15,150. The model (shown on these pages) is designed with the broad side of the house to the street; the other model is arranged with the narrow end toward the street front. Each model has five different elevations consisting of changes in window fenestration, facing materials and roof lines.

The builders also employ the latest construction techniques such as: the use of power tools and pre-cutting of all lumber, use of plywood for sheathing and subflooring, use of drywall, tilt-up construction, preassembled door and window components, shop assembled cabinets, precut trim and poured concrete foundations.

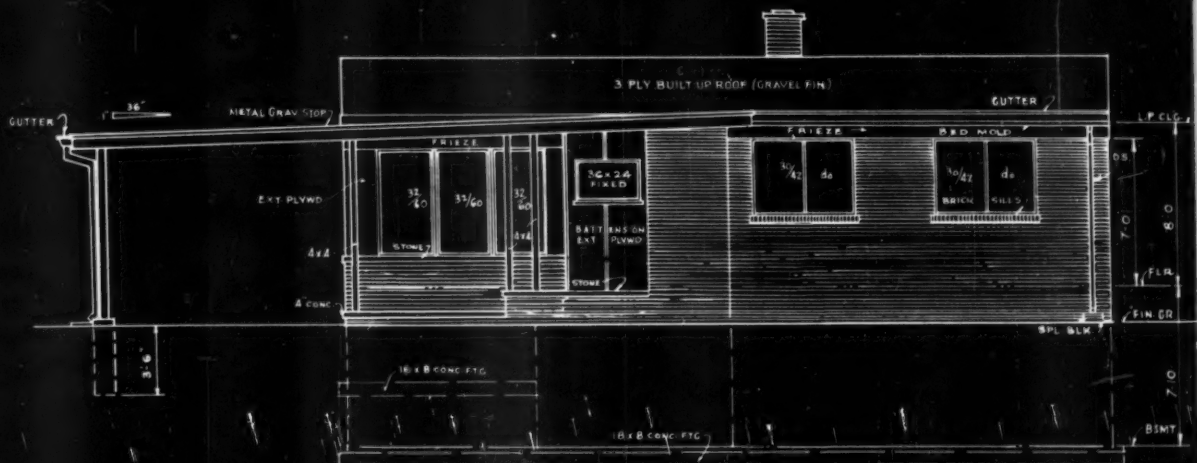
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 for working drawings**

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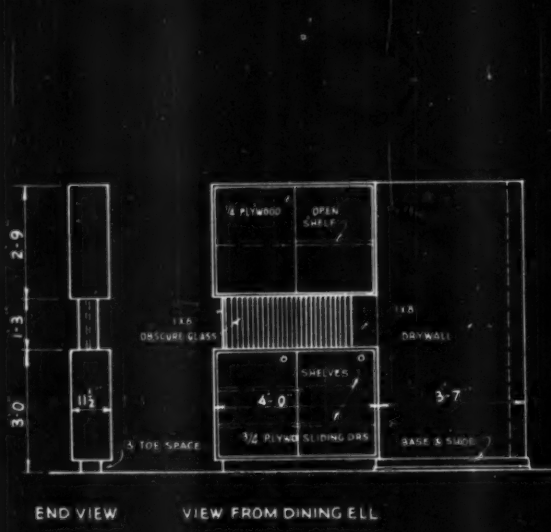


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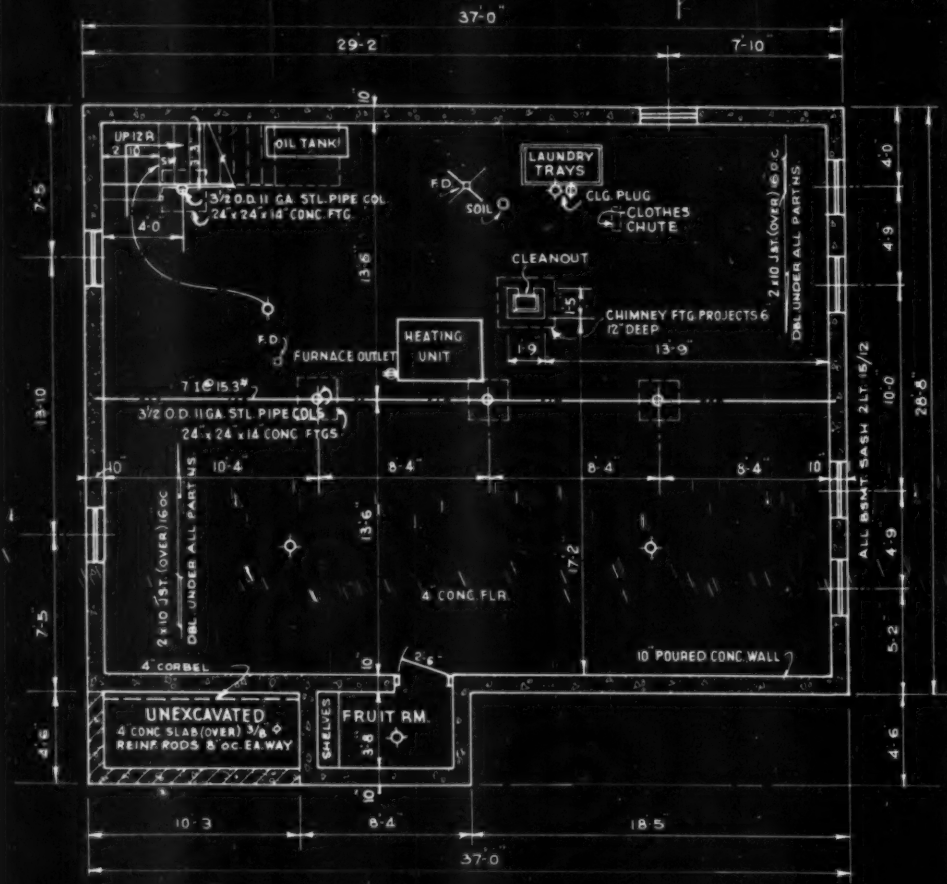


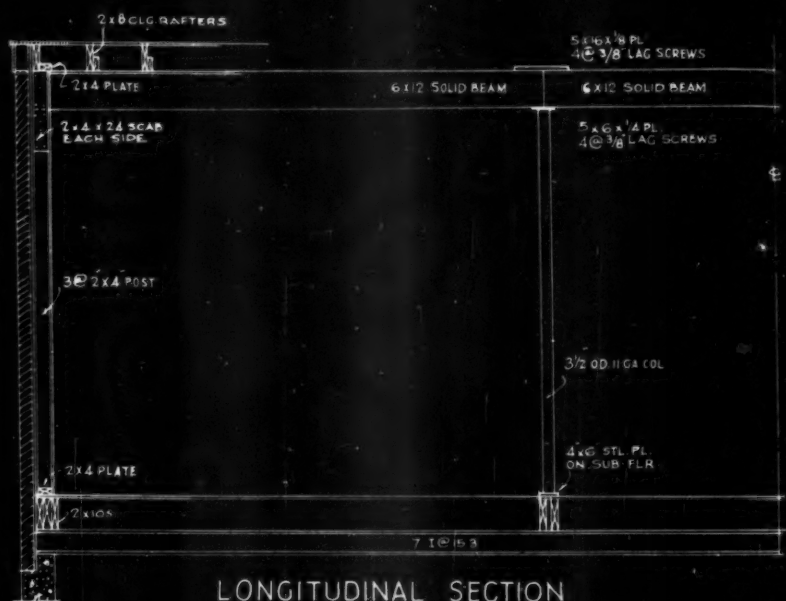
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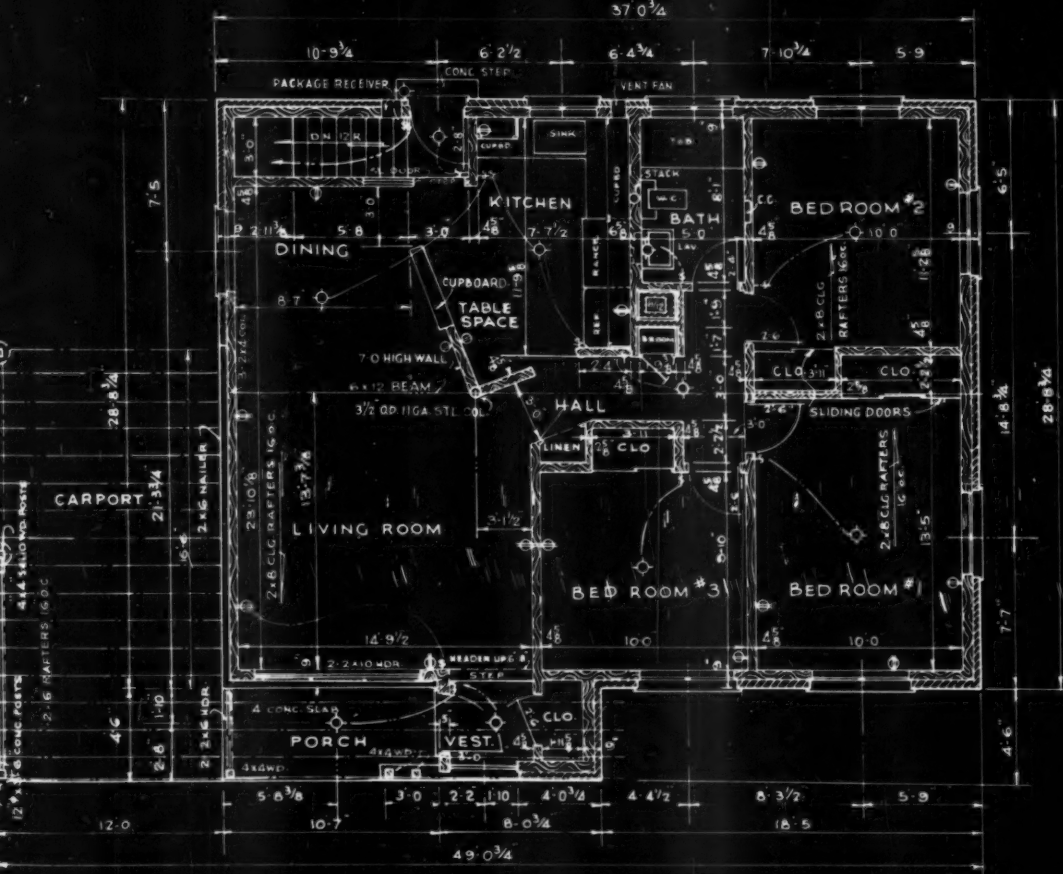


STORAGE WALL DETAILS SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"





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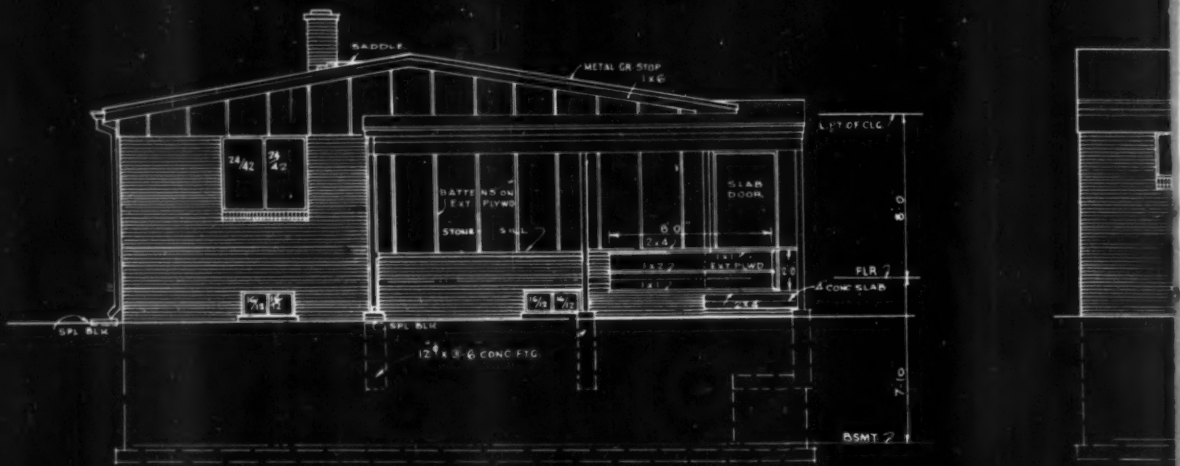


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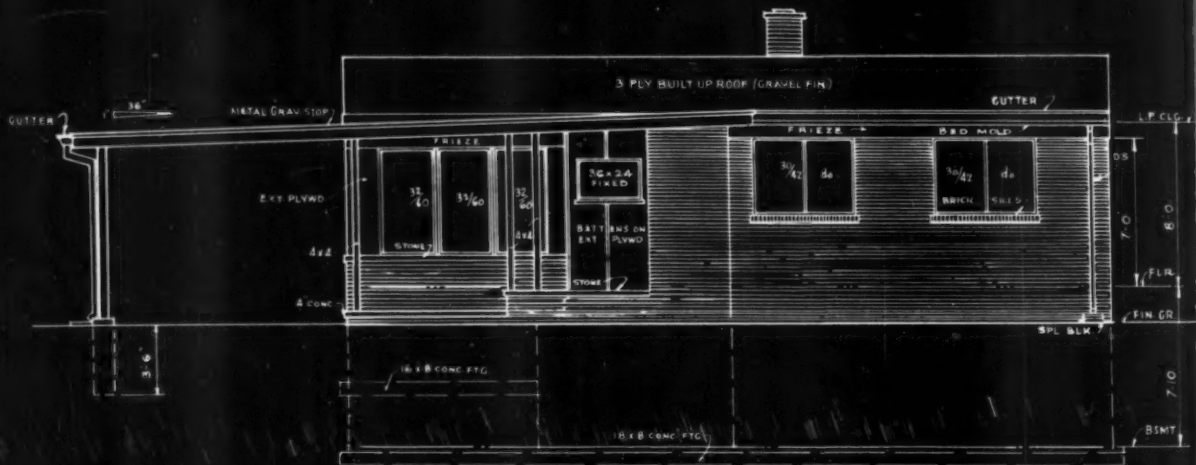
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LEFT SIDE ELEVATION



FRONT ELEVATION

(PULL OUT FOR FLOOR PLAN)

Quantity List of Materials

For American Builder Blueprint House No. AB 198

Beinecke & Lorenz, Architects

General Information

House — Type	brick veneer
Area	1,095 sq. ft.
Cube	18,666 cu. ft.
Height taken for cube was 17 feet	
Carport — Area	231 sq. ft.
Porch — Area	45 sq. ft.

NOTE: Cost computed on basis of 1/3 of area in porch and carport

Excavating

Trench for foundation	15 lin. ft.
Chimney and column footings	4
Post holes for carport	3
Excavation for basement	215 yds.

Cement Work

Foundations	1,022 cu. ft.
Concrete work	938 sq. ft.
Thickness	4 in.
Waterproofing	tar basement walls
Miscellaneous	
Reinforced concrete slab	46 sq. ft.

Masonry

Type	brick
Walls	950 sq. ft.
Window sills	brick
Chimney	brick — 21'0" high
Flue lining	22' — 8"x12"
Cap	concrete

Iron Work

Structural	541 lbs.
Lally columns	5 — 3 1/2" O.D.
Miscellaneous	
Steel plates for wood beams	

NOTE: Lintels required over 7 basement windows and 1 door (not shown or specified)

Millwork

Windows — Glazed, including trim	4 — 48"x26"
	1 — 42"x42"
	1 — 48"x42"
	2 — 60"x42"
	1 — 36"x24"
	1 — 97"x60"
	7 — 30"x12"
Basement units	
Exterior doors — Material	wood
	1 — 3'0"x6'8"
	1 — 2'8"x6'8"
Interior doors — including jambs and trim	1 — 2'8"x6'8"
	5 — 2'6"x6'8"
	1 — 2'4"x6'8"
Sliding doors	4 — 2'0"x6'8"
	2 — 2'8"x6'8"
	4 — 2'0"x2'8"
	2 — 2'8"x2'8"
Special interior millwork	Kitchen and dining room casework
	Linen and broom cases

Carpentry

Beams and girders	1 — 6"x12" — 12'0"
	1 — 6"x12" — 26'0"
	6 — 4"x4" — 8'0"
	1 — 4"x8" — 10'0"
	1 — 4"x8" — 12'0"
Joists	72 — 2"x10" — 14'0"
	5 — 2"x6" — 8'0"
Bridging	225 lin. ft.
Studding and plates	225 — 2"x4" — 8'0"
	60 — 2"x4" — 10'0"
	65 — 2"x4" — 12'0"
Ceiling joist and roof rafters	58 — 2"x8" — 16'0"
	17 — 2"x8" — 14'0"
	5 — 2"x8" — 20'0"
Framing lintels	2 — 2"x10" — 16'0"
	8 — 2"x6" — 10'0"
Subfloor	3/8" plywood — 1,070 sq. ft.
Blocking under floor	2"x4" — 210 lin. ft.
Roof sheathing	5/16" plywood — 1,520 sq. ft.
Sidewall sheathing (material unspecified)	1,240 sq. ft.
Sidewall materials	exterior plywood — 290 sq. ft.
Carpenters stairs	11 — 2"x10" — 3'0"
	2 — 2"x12" — 14'0"
	3 — 2"x4" — 8'0"
	1 — 2"x6" — 10'0"
Fir floor for landing	10 sq. ft.
Flooring	not shown or specified
Exterior material	
Soffits	1"x12" — 80 lin. ft.
Eaves	4 — 1"x6" — 16'0"
	1"x8" — 225 lin. ft.
Porches	batten — 110 lin. ft.
	bed molding — 80 lin. ft.
	No ceiling for porch or carport
Insulation	ceiling insulation — 1,075 sq. ft.

Sheet Metal

Gutters	77 lin. ft.
Downspouts	3 — 10'0"
Flashing	chimney
Miscellaneous	
Gravel stop	110 lin. ft.

Roofing

Type	3 ply tar and gravel
Area	15.2 squares

Interior Walls

Area to be covered	3,000 sq. ft.
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● This quantity list will be subject to variation depending on the common practices in various sections and municipalities of the country, the techniques of individual builders, the types of materials available locally and cost factors. The list published here is a suggested one, complete enough so that it can be used in arriving at a reasonably accurate estimate of the quantities and cost of materials that will be required to complete the structure. It was prepared by experts at the Edward Hines Lumber Co., Chicago.

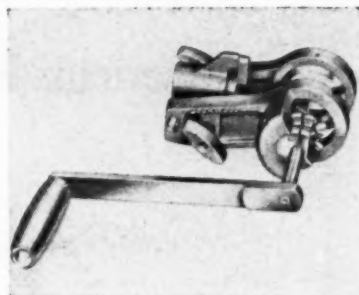
PRODUCTS EXHIBIT IN PRINT

NEARLY 300 companies will show their products at the 1954 NAHB Convention and Exposition which will be held concurrently at Chicago's Conrad Hilton and Sherman hotels from January 17 through 21. Well over 200 of these products will be found on the following pages, among the over 400 items which make up the "Products Exhibit in Print."

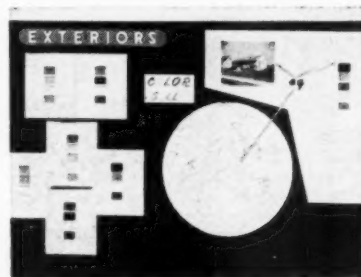
This is the eighth annual issue patterned around this preview and review of building products and equipment. The value of this editorial feature to our readers is attested to by the fact that manufacturers received more than 70,000 inquiries from the 1952 presentation, and by the tremendous demand for additional copies of the January issue we received throughout the remainder of the year. Builders and dealers report that this issue is an invaluable reference tool.

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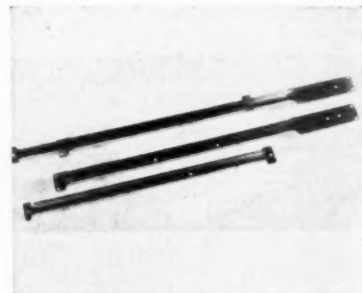
For more complete information about any of the items, a jumbo post-card has been inserted for your convenience on page 237. Further, you might ask your lumber and building supply dealer about any of the products in which you are interested.



AB14331—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 364-365—LOCK INSTALLING TOOL—Lockwood Hardware Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Fitchburg, Mass. The "Speedril" is a new lock installing tool; its bit has a threaded shank clamped into a split feeder bushing which guides it squarely through the wood, guaranteeing precision boring. Leverage of the handle allows easy turning, and bit breaks through cleanly because a beveled-edge break-through ring is clamped against wood and prevents splintering. Time is about 25 seconds.

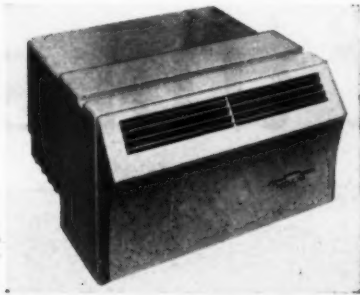


AB14273—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 260-261—HOME DECORATION—Beatrice West, Dept. AB, 147 East 50th St., New York 22, N. Y. This organization does color planning of exteriors and interiors as well as decorating and furnishing of model homes for builders throughout the country. Miss West offers builders a combination of color planning and decorating service which is geared to supply color information for an individual house or a series of housing projects. Builders, architects and engineers also advised on hotels, apartments, etc.

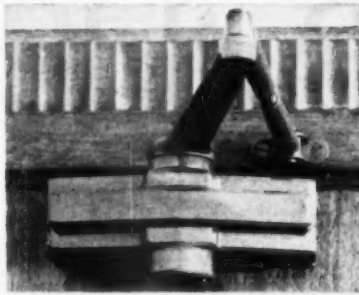


AB14155—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 279-280—DRAWER SLIDES—Grant Pulley & Hardware Corp., Dept. AB, 31-85 Whitestone Pkwy., Flushing, N. Y. New drawer slide consists of only two members; cabinet channel and drawer channel, fits all size drawers. Dimensions and score lines for easy bendings to needed drawer depths are stamped on the outside face. All corners are rounded and smooth for safety. Made of heavy-gauge steel for long life, electro-zinc coated for rust resistance, its load capacity is 50 pounds a pair. Solid nylon rollers are self-lubricating.

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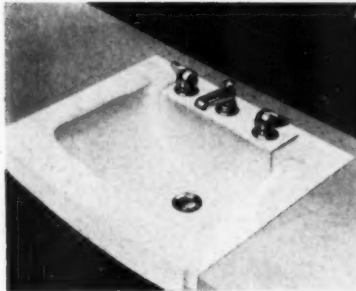
AB14259—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 264—ROOM AIR CONDITIONER—United States Air Conditioning Corp., Dept. AB, 3300 Como Ave., S. E., Minneapolis 14, Minn. Fiberglass construction, inside and out, is featured in this window-type room unit air conditioner. The result is a unit lighter in weight, free of rust and corrosion, superior in sound and thermal insulation; free from scuffing or denting with no loss in structural strength. The unit will also offer heating as standard equipment. Extends less than 2 inches into most rooms.



AB14350—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 127—DOOR CLOSER—Schlage Lock Co., Dept. AB, 2201 Bayshire Blvd., San Francisco 19, Calif. This compact door closing device is operated by a compression spring in conjunction with a hydraulic piston and two adjusting valves. It provides any speed of door closing that is desired by simple valve adjustment. Installation method is simple; a bracket is screwed on the door, and the closer and arm are quickly slipped into place. Smaller bracket holds other end of arm to door frame.



AB14251—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 2—KITCHEN PLANNER—American Kitchens Division, Avco Manufacturing Corp., Dept. AB, Connersville, Ind. A kitchen planning aid called the Kitchen Personalizer eliminates many disadvantages of old type planning kits while improving the efficiency and sales effectiveness. The Personalizer illustrates how sink, range, refrigerator and cabinets will look in the new kitchen with a minimum of thin plastic movable strips that are washable, flexible and scaled. Entire outfit can fit in a standard briefcase.



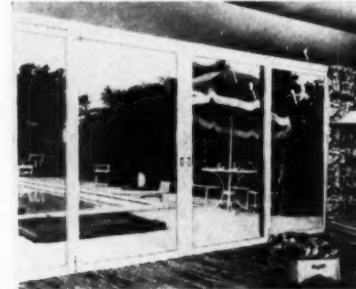
AB14293—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 191 to 193; 206 to 208; BATHROOM LAVATORY—Crane Co., Dept. AB, 836 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 5, Ill. This vitreous china lavatory is for built-in installations. Although 20x17 inches in size, its design permits installation with a 16-inch counter-top front to back. It can also be placed in a counter-top of greater depth merely by having the lavatory built in with the counter-top on three sides. Design features include bowed front apron, modern style soap depressions.



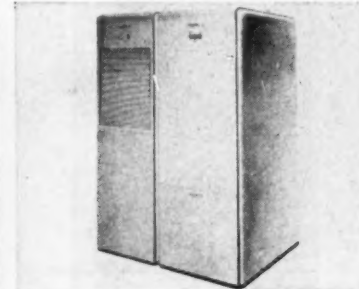
AB14057—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 214-215-216—BATHROOM VANITY—Toledo Desk & Fixture Corp., Dept. AB, Ford Road, Maumee, Ohio. "Beauty-Queen" 72-inch sink is one of five sizes of sink cabinets; others are 66, 60, 54 and 42 inches in length. Model S-7200 is provided with a double bowl sink, while the other sizes feature single bowls. All models are available with cast-iron porcelain enamel finished tops or with durable plastic Monatops. The line is being introduced as the manufacturer's 1954 economy model.



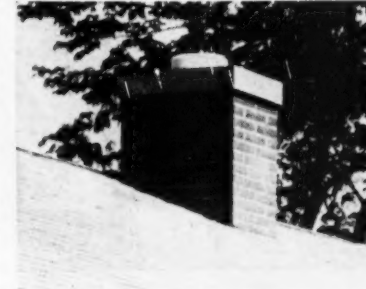
AB14355—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 460—SINK UNITS—Elkay Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 1864 S. 54th Ave., Chicago 50, Ill. New "Duratone" sink and countertops combine the durability and beauty of Formica bonded to the strength of reinforced steel. A special process perfected by the manufacturer produces a permanent guaranteed bond between the Formica surface and the rust-proof steel core. Of interest to builders is the construction which forms counter top and back splash of one seamless piece for easy cleaning.



AB14268—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 429 SLIDING GLASS DOOR—T. V. Walker & Son, Inc., Dept. AB, 217 No. Lake, Box 547, Burbank, Calif. The Westerner sliding glass door offers unrestricted glass area. The glass area is set in wood frames that are toxic treated and are easy to install. No special skill is required. Completely weatherstripped, they insure weather-tightness. Doors operate on sealed ball bearing units. Sills are clear kiln dried oak. Doors are 1 3/4 inches thick clear vertical grain kiln dried Douglas fir.



AB14066—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 109 and 122—GAS FIRED FORCED AIR FURNACE—Bryant Heater Div., Affiliated Gas Equipment Co., Dept. AB, 17825 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. Bryant Model 319, a dressy unit that fits nearly anywhere in new construction or remodeling work. Designed for combination installation with Model 590 air conditioner. All completely automatic. Model 319 available with direct-drive or belt-drive blower on small sizes. Wide range of capacities. Standard or heavy gauge heating element.



AB14345—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 120-121—SIMULATED BRICK CHIMNEY—Van Packer Corp., Dept. AB, 209 S. La Salle St., Chicago 4, Ill. Chimney housing is molded from 3/16-inch cement asbestos panels and embossed to simulate brick and mortar joints. Pre-painted brick red with natural color mortar lines, embossed design of panels permits repainting, if desired, to match other brick colors. Housing measures 16 1/2 inches wide by 24 inches deep. It may be cut on the job to fit any roof ridge or pitch. Panels shipped knocked down.

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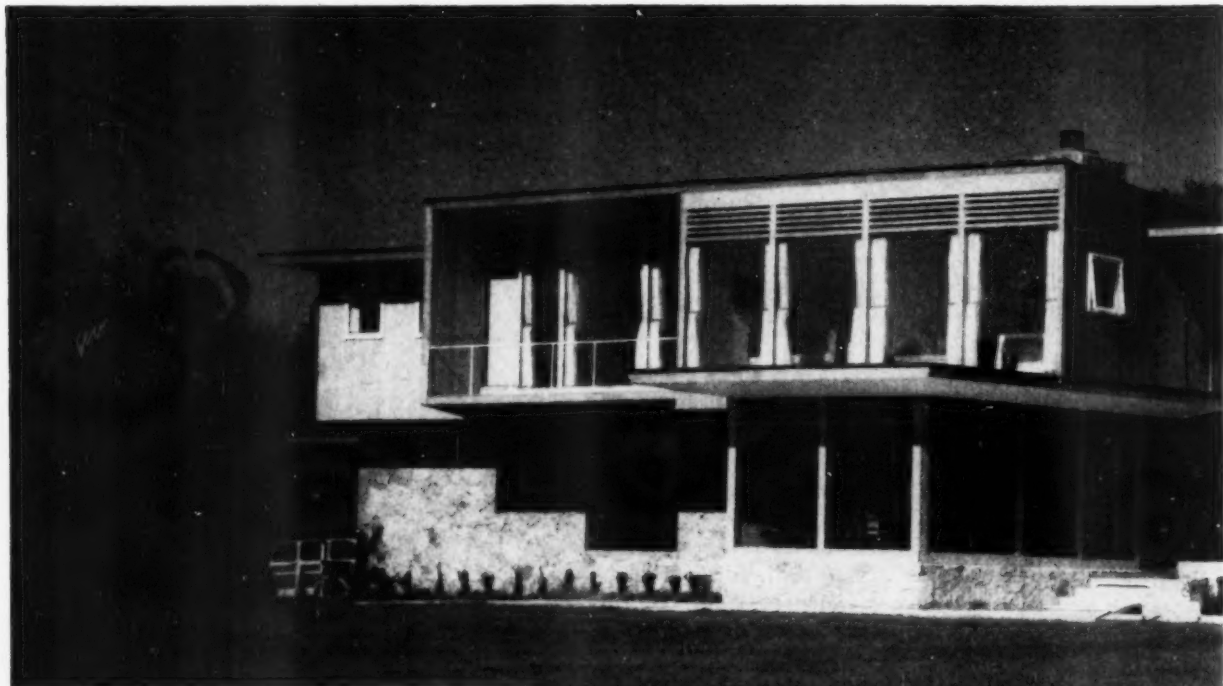
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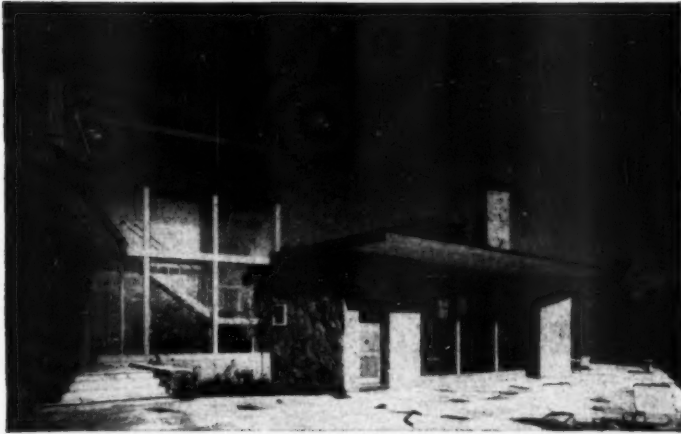
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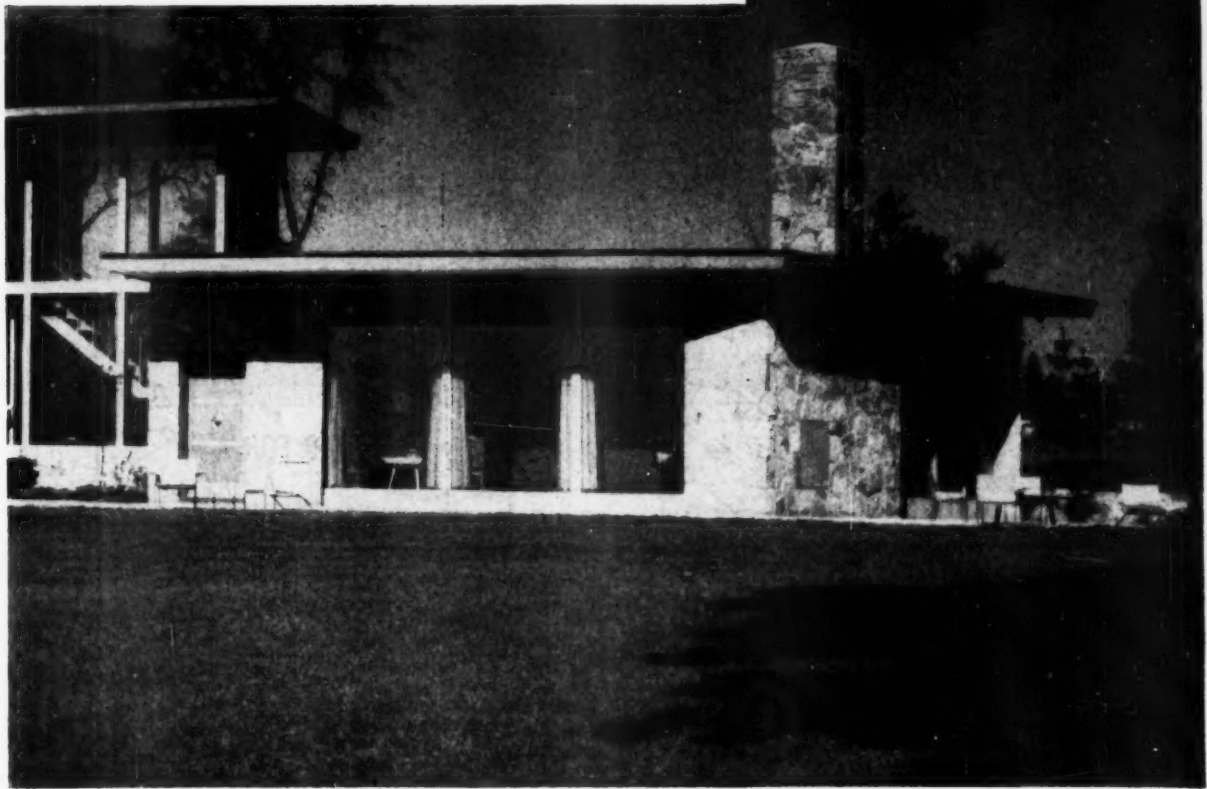
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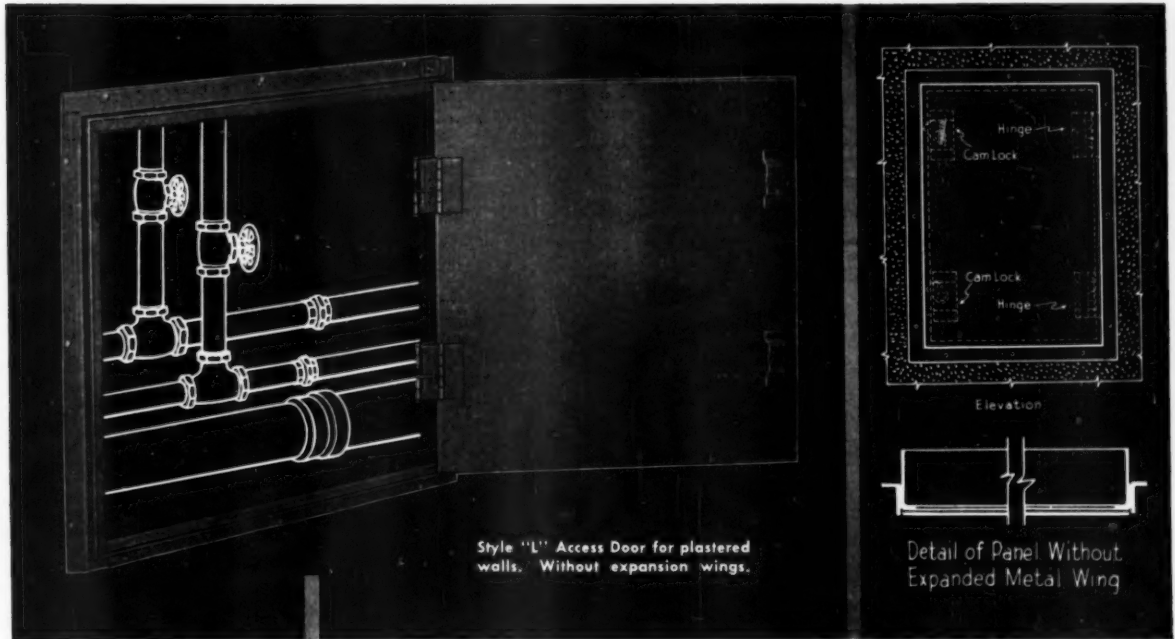
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CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

Tentative Program Annual NAHB Convention, Chicago, Illinois January 17-21, 1954

Sunday, January 17

- 1:00 P.M. Opening of Exhibits at Conrad Hilton and Sherman Hotels
2:30 P.M. Nominating Committee (Open Meeting)
2:30 P.M. Press Conference with President Spiegel
4:00 P.M. Resolutions Committee (Open Meeting)

Monday, January 18

- 9:30 A.M. Nominating Committee (Open Meeting)
9:30 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Presiding: E. M. Spiegel, President, NAHB
Invocation and Salute to Flag
Greetings: Henry Fett, Convention Chairman
Address: E. M. Spiegel
Awards to 10-Year Exhibitors
Address: Congressman Walter Judd
1:00 P.M. First Inspection Tour of Chicago Housing
2:00 P.M. GENERAL SESSION
Program to be announced
2:00 P.M. DISCUSSION GROUPS:
1. Management Conference for Custom Builders
Leader: David Augustus, Indianapolis, Ind.
Sherman 2. Good Design is Good Business
Leader: Joseph Merrian, Chicago, Ill.
Sherman 3. Public Relations for Home Builders
Presiding: Leslie Hill, Dallas, Texas
Moderator: C. P. Harness, NAHB
Hilton 4. Trade-in House
Leader To be announced
2:30 P.M. Nominating Committee (Open Meeting)
6:00 P.M. Reception & Dinner For Press
Sherman
9:00 P.M. Convention and Exhibitors' Dance and Entertainment
Hilton

Tuesday, January 19

- 9:30 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Hilton Presiding: To be announced
Address: (title to come)
Honorable George M. Humphrey, (invited)
Secretary of the Treasury
Panel: Mortgage Finance
Moderator: Nathan Manilow, Chicago, Ill.
10:00 A.M. Tax Savings For Small Builders
Hilton Presiding: Franklin L. Burns, Builder, Denver, Colorado
1:00 P.M. Second Inspection Tour of Chicago Housing
2:00 P.M. DISCUSSION GROUPS:
Hilton 1. Air Conditioning
Leader: Ned Cole
Sherman 2. How Good Decoration Can Help You Sell Houses
Leader: Mrs. William Johannesen
Sherman 3. How To Build Low Rent Housing Through Section 207, Rental and Section 213, Cooperative
Leader: Al Gross
Sam Heckman, Detroit (207)
Bill Guinan, Detroit (213)

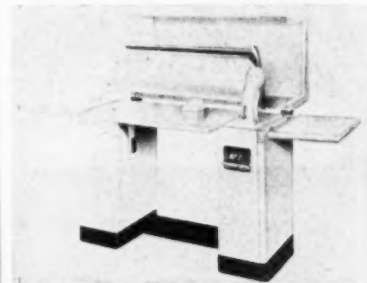
- Sherman 5. New Face For America
Leader: Alan Brockbank, Salt Lake City, Utah
Sherman 6. "How-To-Do-It" Demonstrations
Leader: Andrew Place
8:00 P.M. Panel Discussion: "What's New in Land Planning"
Sherman Leader: To be announced

Wednesday, January 20

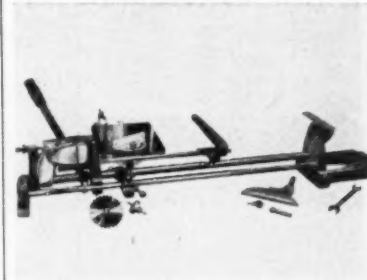
- 9:30 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Hilton "How To Sell A House"
Presiding: To be announced
10:00 A.M. DISCUSSION GROUPS:
Sherman 1. FHA-VA Questions and Answers
Leader: George Goodyear, Charlotte, N. C.
Hilton 2. Tax Savings and Tax Planning For Large Home Builders and Developers
Leader: Franklin L. Burns
10:00 A.M. NAHB Ladies Auxiliary Conference
Sherman Presiding: Mrs. Lou Bettilyon
1:00 P.M. Third Inspection Tour of Chicago Housing
2:00 P.M. How To Sell A House
Hilton Leader: To be announced
2:00 P.M. DISCUSSION GROUPS:
Sherman 1. FHA-VA Questions and Answers
(continued from A.M.)
Leader: Fred W. Jackson
Hilton 2. Tax Savings and Tax Planning For Large Home Builders and Developers
(continued from A.M.)
Leader: To be announced
Sherman 3. Management Conference For Small Builders
Leader: To be announced
Sherman 4. Better Ways to Process Loan Applications
Leader: Frank A. Collins
Hilton 5. Prefabricated Houses—The Key to More Sales
Leader: To be announced
3:00 P.M. Press Conference With New NAHB President
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6:45 P.M. Annual Banquet
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Thursday, January 21

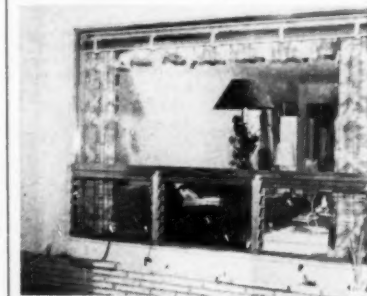
- 10:00 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Hilton "How To Do It" Sideshow
Barker: Earl Smith
10:00 A.M. DISCUSSION GROUPS:
Sherman 1. How To Use Dry Finishing Materials
Insulation Board Institute
2. How To Apply Ceramic Tile—Adhesive Method
The Tile Council
3. How To Apply Insulating Board Siding
Insulation Siding Institute
4. How To Install Kitchen Cabinets
Kitchen Cabinet Institute
5. How To Apply Asbestos Shingles—Roof and Sidewall
Asbestos Shingle Institute
6. How To Use Copper Tubing—Water Supply and Drainage
Copper and Brass Research Institute
2:00 P.M. Questions and Answers on "How To Do It"
Hilton



AB14025—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 1—AUTOMATIC IRONER—Kelvinator Division of Nash-Kelvinator Corp., Dept AB, 14250 Plymouth Road, Detroit 32, Mich. Deluxe ironer features goose-neck ironer head, two open usable ends, foot and knee control, to-and-fro finishing action. Thermostatic controls at either end of shoe are marked with proper heats for ironing different types of fabrics. Safety plate in front, at operator's lap level, serves as emergency shoe release to avoid scorching fabrics in event of power failure.

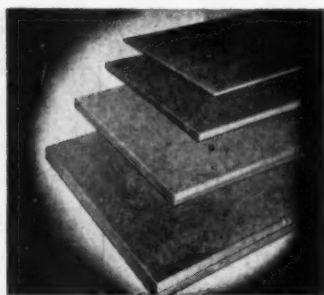


AB14207—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 258—HOME WORKSHOP—Cummins-Chicago Corp., Dept. AB, 4740 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. This compact unit, occupying only 3 1/2 square feet, combines seven power tools in one: a lathe, horizontal drill, bench saw, vertical drill press, shaper, disc sander and portable electric drill. Called the "Do-it Shop," it changes tools, changes position from horizontal to vertical in a few seconds. Unit is powered by industrial-type drill; capabilities for home woodcraft nearly unlimited.

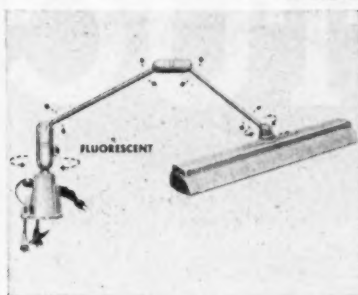


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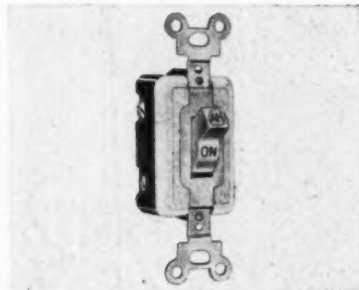
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AB14346—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 244—ADJUSTABLE LIGHTS—Swivelier Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 43 34th St., Brooklyn 32, N. Y. "Dextra-Lites" are a new line of 17 universally adjustable incandescent and fluorescent lighting units designed for industrial and commercial applications. Featured on four models is the "Coolite" shade, of incandescent metal, which remains comfortable to touch after long use with 100-watt lamp. Exclusive Turn Tension Control enables user to select exact degree of rotating tension needed.



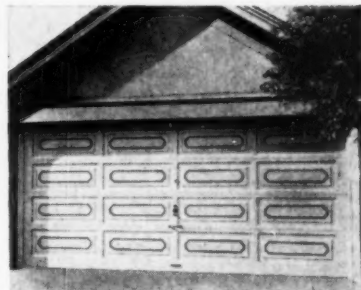
AB14348—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 298—GAS RANGE—Welbilt Stove Co., Inc., Dept. AB, Maspeth 78, Long Island, N. Y. Divided top, standard 36-inch, economy range has one giant and three standard size, non-clog, high speed top burners, roomy storage compartment with swing-out door, automatic oven heat control, no-smoke broiler, porcelain enamel finish throughout. Also offered is a new 3/4-size, 30-inch model with similar features. Ranges all performance-tested before shipped from factory.



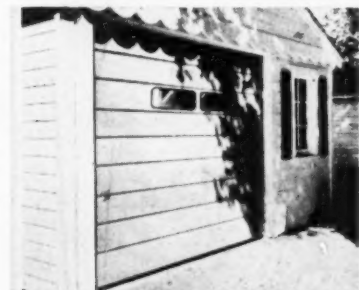
AB14354—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 444—WALL SWITCH—The Arrow-Hart & Hege-man Electric Co., Dept. AB, Laurel St., Hartford 6, Conn. Lifetime "Quietie" switch is a residential type, quiet-operating wall tumbler switch. It can be installed in any position and is stated to be the only quiet switch which is safe for use with both incandescent and fluorescent lights. Mechanism is fully enclosed in heavy Bakelite body. Silver alloy contact tips provide greater electrical efficiency and resistance to wear.



AB14069—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 89 to 93; SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 427—STEEL KITCHENS—Youngstown Kitchens (Mullins Mfg. Co.), Dept. AB, Warren, Ohio. New Diana-style kitchens and Diana Ensemble Sinks. Sinks in five models are used in combination with base units to create sink working area to give maximum storage and work surface in space as small as 39 inches. Cabinets include 24-inch base cutlery cabinet and new quarter-round wall what-not cabinet with door. Range covers from minimum kitchen to deluxe models.



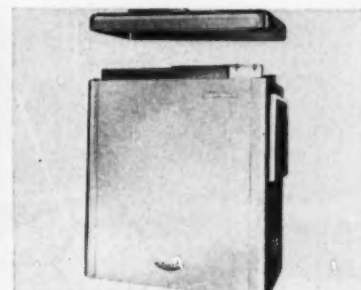
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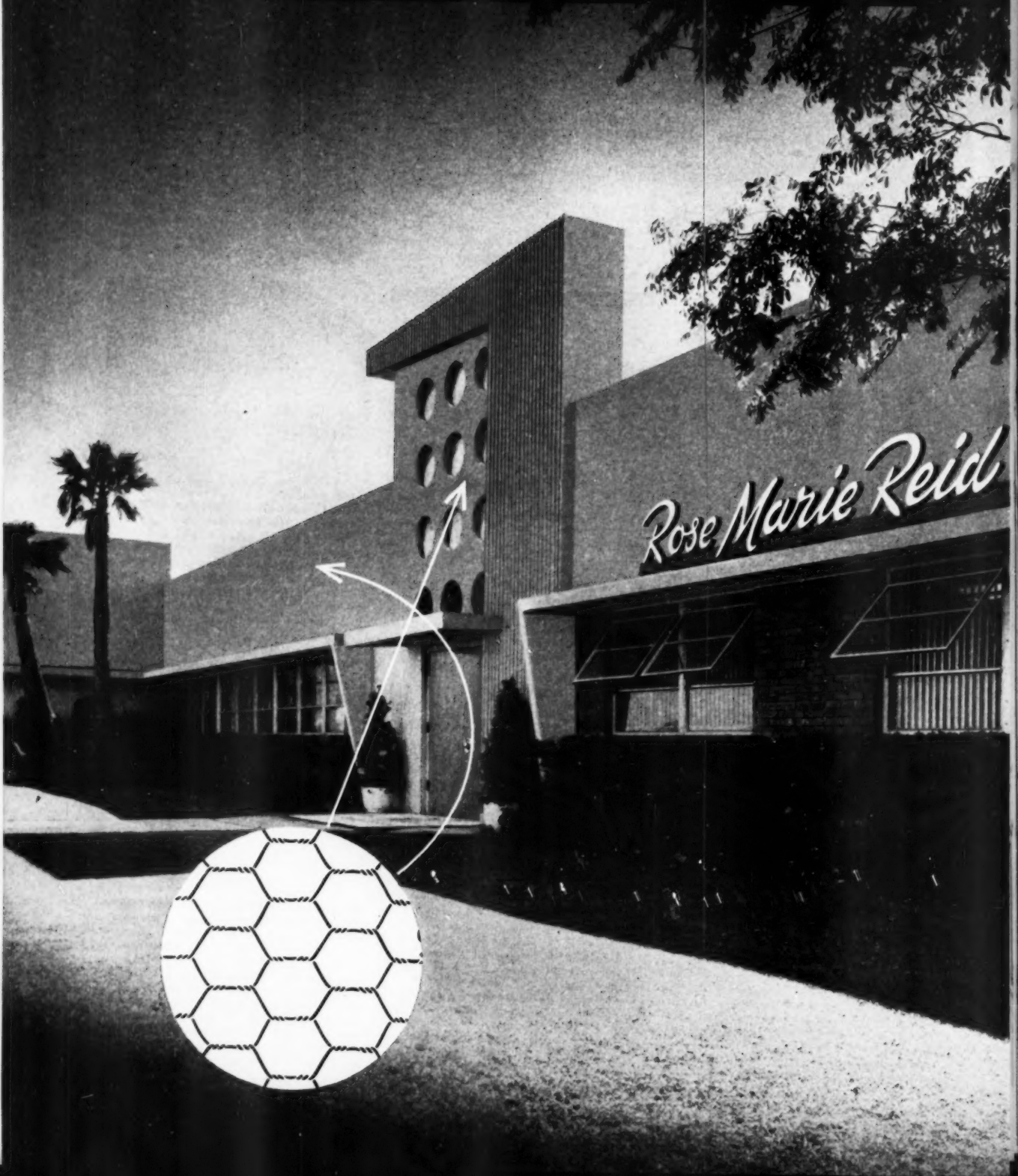
AB14138—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 37—PLYWOOD PANELING—Douglas Fir Plywood Assoc., Dept. AB, Tacoma Bldg., Tacoma 2, Wash. Texture One-Eleven is fir plywood banded with 100 per cent waterproof glue. It combines high style and low cost in one panel. It is an easily-handled, stylized material manufactured in two sizes for use as siding in homes and commercial buildings, for gable ends, soffits, breezeway ceilings, fences and windscreens, special interior applications and accent walls. Material is 3/4-inch thick, 16 3/8 and 32 3/8 inches wide.



AB14284—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 269—AIR CONDITIONER—Lipman Refrigeration Division, Yates-American Machine Co., Dept. AB, Beloit, Wis. The Lipman convertible air conditioner is primarily designed for the home, with or without blower, but can be converted to commercial application merely by removing the duct top and slipping on a plenum top with a blower. Finished in Bermuda beige, the cabinet contains the complete air conditioning mechanism. Unit comes in 2-, 3-, 5- and 7 1/2-ton sizes. Three-ton unit on display.

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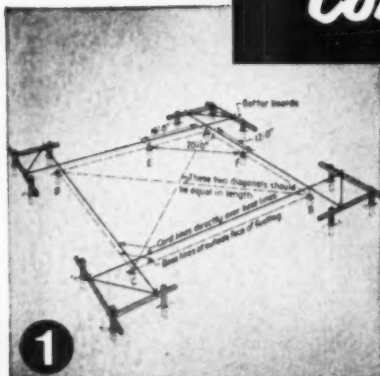
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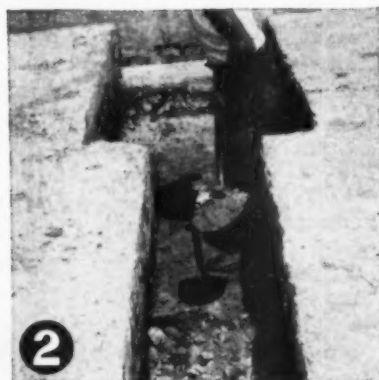


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1 Use surveying instruments or "right triangle method" diagrammed here to stake out corners of building. Stretch cord square and true over edge of footing.

2 Dig trenches to a point below frost line. Level bottom to assure even bearing surface. If soil is firm, shape the sides to serve as form for the footing.

3 If the soil is sandy or wet dig trenches wider than footing. Stake in 1-in. boards to form the sides of the footing.

4 Width of footing depends upon the weight of the structure and qualities of the supporting soil. Normally the footing is twice as wide as the wall above it and as deep as the wall is wide.



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5 Design a quality concrete mix. Proper proportioning results in a mix which, when lightly troweled, fills all spaces between aggregates with cement paste.

6 Transport mix in rubber-tired buggies or wheelbarrows to lessen the chance of segregation. Dump the mix into the forms from as low a height as possible.

7 To avoid honeycombing and to produce durable, strong concrete, spade or vibrate the mix enough to settle it and work it thoroughly against the forms.

8 The top of the footing must be level. Check this by placing a level on a board resting on the concrete. In freezing weather protect concrete with waterproof paper and a layer of straw.



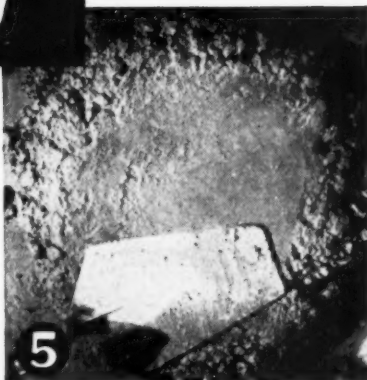
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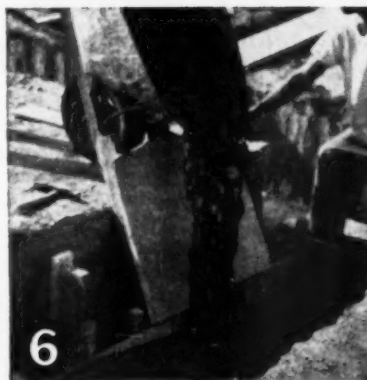
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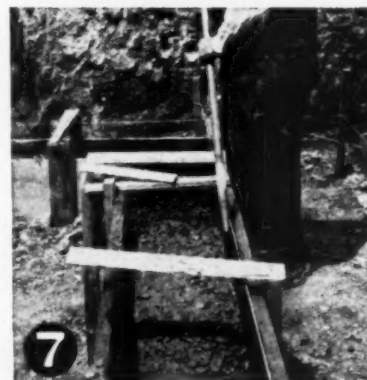
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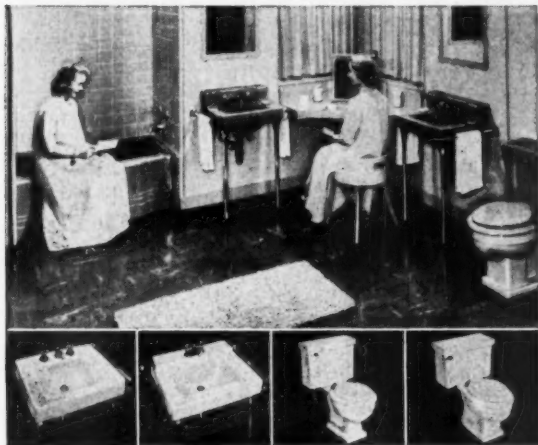
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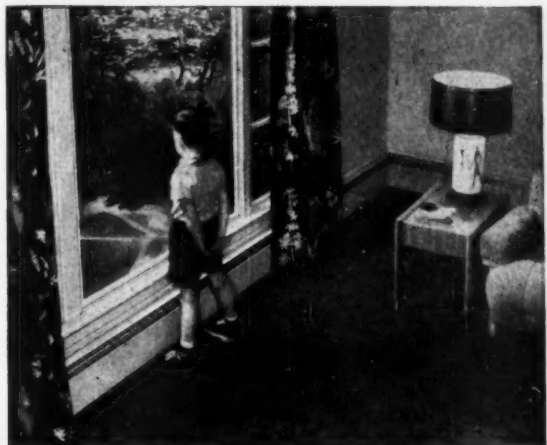
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A review of products in the news and important features worth remembering



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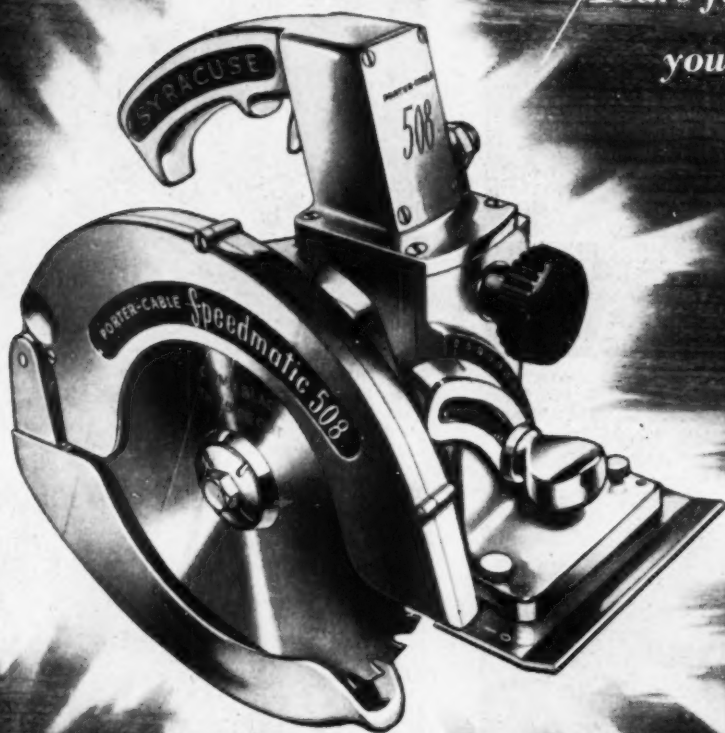
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jury names winners

.....in home week contest.....

AMERICAN BUILDER'S third annual set of contests for home builders' associations and lumber dealers who promoted National Home Week and National Home Month in 1953 was judged in Chicago on November 13. The winners are listed in the accompanying table.

A strong collection of entries was well distributed geographically and demonstrated especially the power of the National Home Week idea to revive slowed-down markets for new houses. Taken as a whole, the entries also showed that National Home Week promotion, now in its sixth year, has reached a highly professional level of excellence. The going was tough for the eight judges, who included:

Dave Bareuther, real estate editor of the Associated Press, New York City; Everett B. Wilson, public relations director, National Retail Lumber Dealers Association, Washington, D. C.; Walton Onslow, public relations, Washington, D. C.; Sumner C. Rider of Rider & Keister, public relations, New York City; Robert H. Morris, executive officer of Ponderosa Pine Woodwork and formerly publisher of the *American Builder*, Chicago; Paul S. Van Auken, convention and exposition director for NAHB, Chicago; Philip J. Creden, public relations officer, Edward Hines Lumber Co., Chicago; and Roy V. Winters, president of the National Plan Service, Inc., Chicago.

The judges first considered entries from home builders' associations having more than 250 members. Out of a close-running field of ten entries, three leaders emerged—Washington, D. C., Houston and Hartford. The blue ribbon was finally awarded to Houston, with high commendation to Washington and Hartford for their outstanding campaigns. Excellent work was also done by the associations in Min-

neapolis, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, San Fernando Valley (Calif.), Columbus (Ohio) and Long Island (N.Y.).

Houston interpreted NHW through a presentation of 31 model houses in a one-street Parade of Homes. The association spent \$32,600 on advertising. An admission of 25 cents was charged visitors, who were counted at a total of 152,000, or one-fourth of the city's population. Chairman of the Parade of Homes committee for the association was Paul H. Wolf. T. C. Brennan, Jr., is Houston's executive vice president.

Washington's campaign was undertaken as a morale-booster for the community and to offset the effects of a period of uncertainty and gen-

eral insecurity among government workers, brought on by the change in administration in the federal government. Sixty-one subdivisions were included, and although there were fewer lookers than in other years, there were more buyers. Washington's campaign produced 172 sales, for \$3,013,366. Visitors were counted at 62,000. Frank Calcara served as chairman of the NHW committee. James W. Pearson is executive vice president of the Washington association.

Hartford's approach to Home Week was thorough and thoughtful—a statesman-like program carried out on a small budget (\$2,500). An 11-man committee, headed by Paul B. Isham, began planning in June for the September event. Their work

Winners In—

American Builder's 1953 National Home Week Contest

- Group I HOUSTON HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION**
Runners-up: Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Washington; Home Builders Association of Hartford County, Conn.
- Group II BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH FLORIDA**
Runners-up: Home Builders Association of Des Moines; Saint Paul Home Builders Association
- Group III QUAD-CITY ASSOCIATION OF HOME BUILDERS (Davenport, Iowa)**
Runner-up: Charlotte (N.C.) Home Builders Association
- Group IV GRAND RAPIDS HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION**

American Builder's 1953 National Home Month Contest

- Group I ANTRIM LUMBER COMPANY, Enid Oklahoma**
Runner-up: F. D. McKendall Lumber Co., Providence, Rhode Island
- Group II BAILEY LUMBER COMPANY, Bluefield, West Virginia**
- Group IV NEW ATHENS LUMBER COMPANY, New Athens, Illinois**

Note: groupings in the NHW contest were on the basis of number of members, as classified by the National Association of Home Builders. Groupings in the NHM contest were on the basis of population of towns



R. H. Morris (left), Roy V. Winters and Sumner Rider



Walton Onslow, Everett Wilson and Paul Van Auken

bore fruit: 42 new houses were sold during Home Week and started the sales ball rolling again (it had all but stopped during the summer) so that in the weeks following the NHW campaign, builders were once more able to move a large number of houses. Builders prepared 58 houses valued at \$1 million for display during the Week. There were 25,000 visitors. Clayton W. Johnson is executive director of the Hartford association.

Group II

The winner in this group (for associations with 101-250 members), the **Builders Association of South Florida**, conducted a metropolitan area promotion from headquarters in Miami. Chairman was Vincent J. DeMeo, who stimulated wide participation through a closely coordinated Industry Steering Committee representing all sides of the home building process. Fifty-one builders displayed 80 houses, and

although the Week was plagued by rain, 297 houses were sold for a gross of \$3,491,230. S. A. Dansyear sparks the association.

Des Moines, one of the two runners-up in this group, displayed 54 houses in a campaign which produced 90,000 visitors, 75 sales. This was Des Moines' third NHW celebration and extended to the central Iowa cities of Newton, Marshalltown and Ames. NHW chairman was E. V. McWilliams. The association's executive secretary is Wesley Day. Des Moines began its newspaper publicity as early as June 1st.

Saint Paul launched its Week with an official preview of the 20 demonstration houses by none other than *American Builder* Editor Ed Gavin, father of the National Home Week movement. The NHW committee, led by L. W. Bisanz, secured unusually close cooperation from the newspapers. A "first" in Saint Paul Home Week promotion was a series of exclusive interviews by

one newspaper with each of the 15 builders who exhibited houses. St. Paul's budget for NHW was under \$4,200, produced 143,000 visitors and 111 sales for \$1,165,000. Executive officer of the association is Harold J. Moriarty.

Group III

The presentation of 21 model homes scattered through Davenport, Bettendorf, Rock Island and Moline won for the **Quad-City Association of Home Builders** the blue ribbon among associations with 50-100 members. With a budget of \$5,500, four times what it was in 1952, Quad-City stimulated 84,176 visitors (four times more than last year) but did not emphasize sales, believing that the campaign's chief objective was to plant the seed of the home-buying impulse. Nevertheless, 16 lookers could not wait to become buyers later on, made their deals during the Week itself. Home Week was under the leadership of Harold

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Sumner Rider with Philip Creden (center) and Robert H. Morris



Dave Bareuther

jury picks NHW winners

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G. Rauch, the Parade of Homes chairman, and Harry Ryder, executive secretary of the association.

Charlotte, N. C., the runner-up in this group, is a newcomer to NHW promotion but certainly didn't show it. In a witty exhibit describing promotion of a parade of 14 homes well sited on a cul-de-sac, the association demonstrated solid evidence of super-salesmanship. Although the sixth and largest hurricane of the season—"Florence"—occurred during Home Week, Charlotte's Parade drew 17,000 visitors, produced nine sales, for \$146,500. Proceeds from the admission charged visitors to the Parade were given to charity for underprivileged children. Chief figures in the Charlotte promotion were George S. Goodyear, president of the association, and Robert W. Barker, its executive secretary.

Group IV

Grand Rapids repeated its winning performance of last year in this group (for associations with less than 50 members). In addition to a home improvements contest, 65 houses were open for showing and drew about 35,000 visitors. Of the houses displayed, 50 were sold, average price being \$14,000. The home improvements contest attracted 47 entrants. In observing National Home Week, the Grand Rapids Home Builders Association joins hands with nine other associations in the field, in an organization called Allied Construction and Real Estate Council.

Among Lumber Dealer Winners

The outstanding campaign in the lumber dealers' contest as a whole was organized by C. I. Cheyney, president of the **Bailey Lumber Company**, of Bluefield, West Virginia, winner of the Group II class (for dealers in towns with population between 10,000 and 35,000).

Cheyney's program was a model for any organization anywhere interested in exploring the deepest aspects of the National Home Week potential. NHW in Bluefield reached into every corner of community life and was supported not only by busi-

ness and civic groups but by PTA's, schools, garden clubs, churches. Several hundred leaders in community life were, in one way or another, drawn into service for National Home Week.

As for the tangible and immediate results which accrued to the Bailey Lumber Company, these were valuable and important: many visitors to the company's eight plants; 1,004 different orders were written up and delivered during the Week; special advertising was done on heating plants and 36 complete heating units were sold; many new home building and remodeling prospects were interviewed; sales were closed on material for seven new houses; total business for the month (September) was greater than for the same month in 1952 in spite of a general business decline in the area.

Antrim Lumber Company of Enid, Oklahoma, winner in Group I, based its National Home Month program on two contests with cash prizes. One featured 21 different kinds of wood set up as a window display, the entrant being asked to identify each kind. The other contest was an essay effort on the theme of why everyone should own their own home. A. P. Morgan is Antrim's manager.

The **F. D. McKendall Lumber Company** campaign for National Home Month in Providence, Rhode Island, featured special window displays and constant advertising. Term buying was stressed in each ad and remodeling was a central theme. Sales for the month increased 25 per cent.

The **New Athens Lumber Company** in New Athens, Illinois, winner in the less-than-2,500 population group, built a display house for National Home Month and showed it furnished. Design was contemporary, an unusual departure for the area. Radio publicity drew 2,500 visitors from beyond the township. The total number of visitors to the house was 4,000. As a result of this promotion, the company sold two built-in stove units, one sliding glass door unit, ten Novaply sliding door closets, four Veniflex doors and one complete kitchen remodeling job.



AB14277—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 424-425—CHIMNEY FLUE—Chimney Sales Corp., Dept. AB, P.O. Box 146, Fredericksburg, Va. New Thulman prefabricated chimney, streamlined for better appearance, has 7-inch diameter flue capacity (formerly 6-inch). Its housing is open both to the attic and the outdoors, thus it ventilates the attic at its warmest part and increases the effectiveness of conventional louvered vents. Chimney is easily installed by one man; complete instructions with diagrams included in package.



AB14012—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 15—STEEL KITCHENS—Harrison Steel Cabinet Co., Dept. AB, 4718 W. Fifth Ave., Chicago 44, Ill. Steel kitchen cabinets with finishes similar to natural woods are suited for installations where decorator appeal calls for wood finishes while retaining strength and durability of steel. Wood-grained finishes are processed by manual application. Line is available for standard and custom installations. Cabinet styles include custom sink, range and refrigerator centers, mixer cabinets, etc.

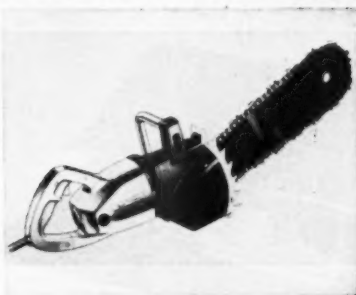


AB14158—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 10—GARAGE DOOR—Stamping Products & Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 6500 Mack Ave., Detroit 7, Mich. The Glide-Away Door is electro-static painted on both sides. It is processed with a corrosion inhibiting phosphating chemical treatment to bond paint to metal resulting in an enduring paint job. The paint used is a rust-inhibiting primer that is baked on and of neutral color, ready for the finish color of the owner's choice. Doors are made of hi tensile steel. Face sheets are 22-gauge. All moving parts are cadmium plated.

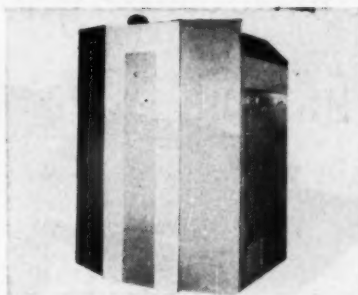
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AB14337—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 49, 50; 52—ELECTRIC RANGE—Hotpoint Co., Dept. AB, 5600 W. Taylor St., Chicago 44, Ill. Newest Hotpoint range to be offered for 1954 is the top deluxe lighted pushbutton model. Features include new plug-in surface griddle, said to be the largest on the domestic market, with 170 square inches of usable cooking surface, adjustable surface fry unit, new broil unit (removable for easier cleaning), timed appliance outlets, two storage drawers, two-speed electric multiple chime.



AB14149—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 12—CHAIN SAW—Porter-Cable Machine Co., Dept. AB, 1010 N. Salina St., Syracuse 8, N. Y. Model 110 is a one-man saw suitable for topping, notching and felling large trees, for limbing, flush-cutting or under-cutting main branches and for bucking logs and heavy lumber. Unit features exclusive design of log-gripping teeth which hold saw against work, enabling machine to feed itself, eliminating need to push saw into the wood. Unit weighs 18 pounds; measures 29 1/2 x 6 1/2 x 9 1/4 inches.



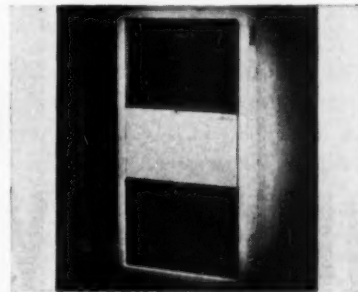
AB14349—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 185 to 188—AIR CONDITIONER—Servel, Inc., Dept. AB, Evansville 20, Ind. This new Model DC has a cooling capacity of 3.3 tons and a heating capacity of 96,000 Btu's per hour. Fuel may be gas, oil or steam. Unit designed for medium-sized homes and small commercial installations. Features automatic humidification in winter and, on gas models, two-step modulation of heating. Unit is controlled by device which allows remote selection of functions, including automatic temperature control.



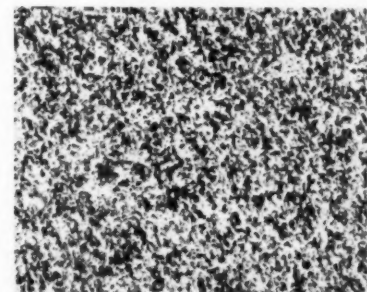
AB14253—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 180—SWING-IN WINDOW—The Etling Window (Weather-Seal, Inc.), Dept. AB, 24 Huston St., Barberton, Ohio. New model of the in-swinging, easily cleaned Etling Window incorporates seven improvements: choice of Ponderosa pine or California redwood; revised model sizes to fit modular openings; sash rails to increase glass area; redesigned locking strip with weather stripping; one-piece jamb assembly and tongue-and-groove construction; built-in mullions in multiples; outside casing design.



AB14223—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 417-418—BATHROOM CABINET—Standard Building Products Co., Dept. AB, 621 McDonald Ave., Brooklyn 18, N. Y. New Model 17 "Twin-Slide" cabinet retains all quality features in the line. It should prove a favorite with builders of pre-fab units, developments and low-to-moderate price homes. Cabinet is provided with plate glass mirrors, chromium plated frame, quality steel construction and exclusive, nearly silent opening and closing of cabinet doors, unique feature of this manufacturer.



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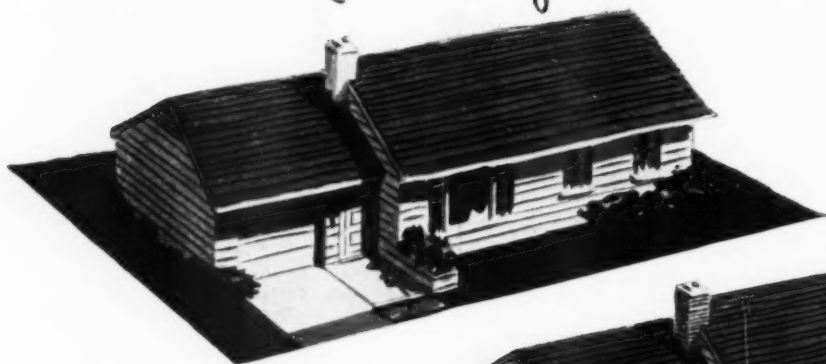
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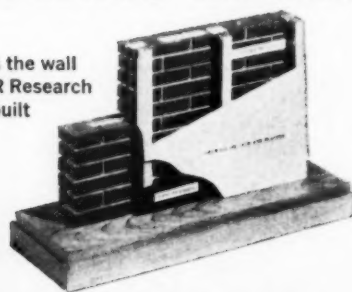
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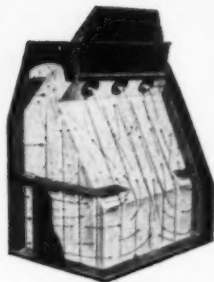
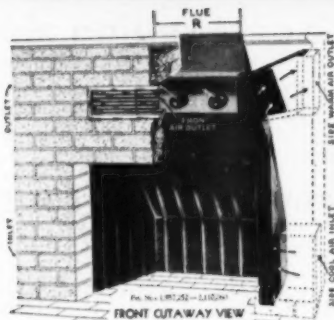
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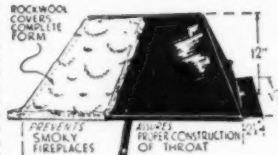
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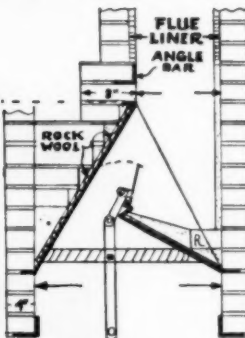
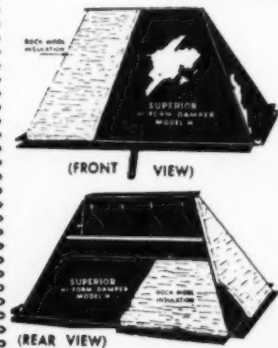
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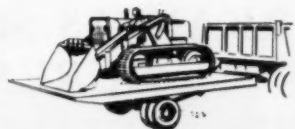
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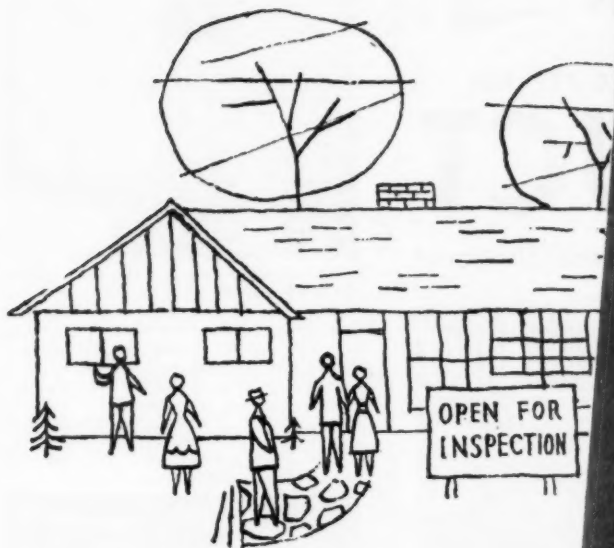
AB14130—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 345-346—STEEL CROSS MEMBER—Symons Clamp and Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 4249 Diversey Ave., Chicago 39, Ill. Steel cross-member for wood, concrete forms is made of 12-gauge steel shaped to support plywood facings on panels. It is applied to plywood with split rivets and fastened to 2x4's at the ends with drive screws. Its use in 2x4-, 2x6- and 2x8-foot panels permits ties to be placed every 12 inches vertically if the load requires extra ties. Cross members brace the entire width of panel.



AB14217—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 64—
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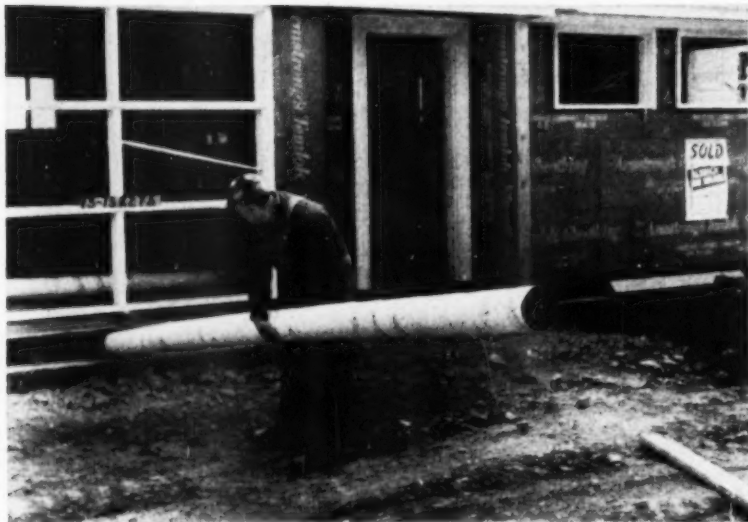
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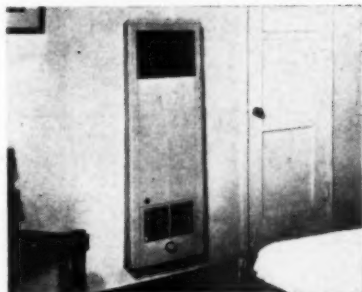
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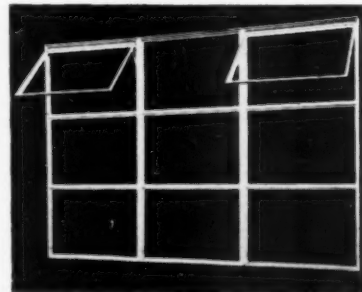
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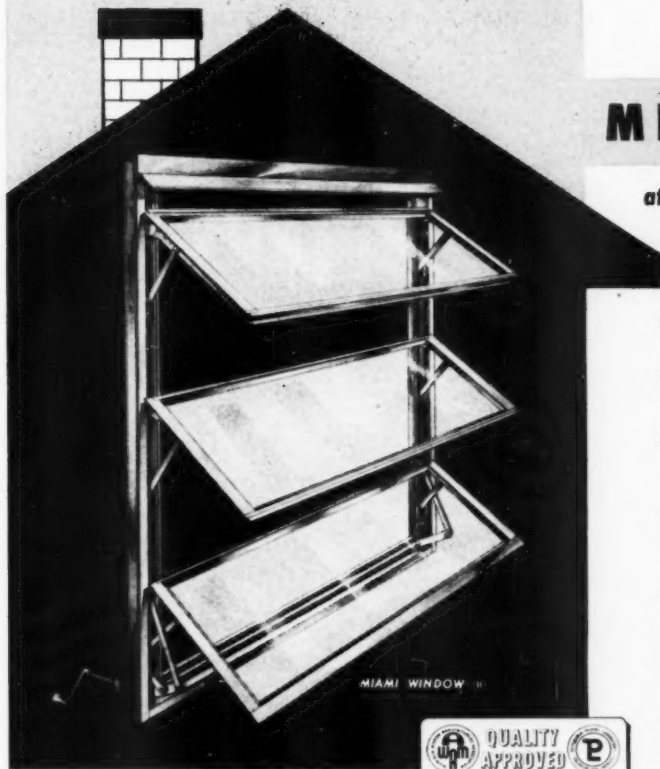
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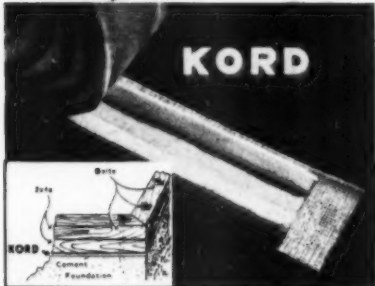
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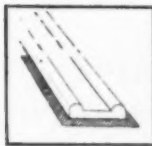
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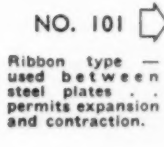
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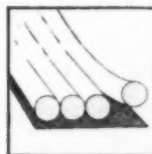
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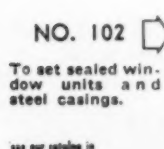
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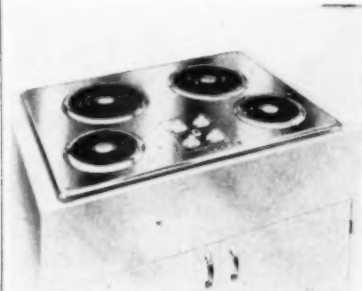
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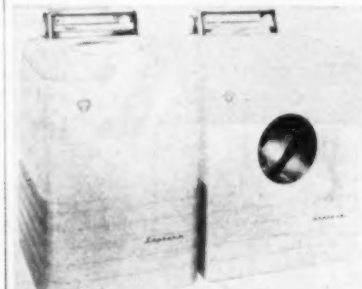
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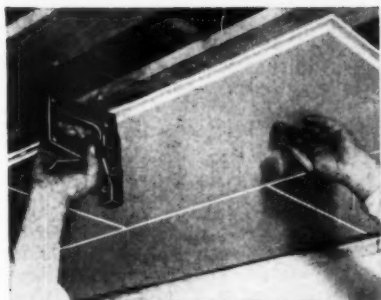
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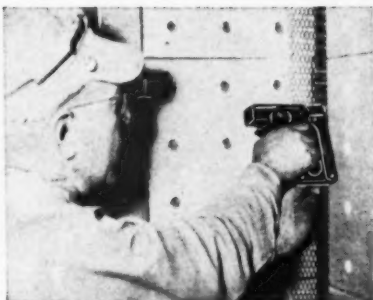
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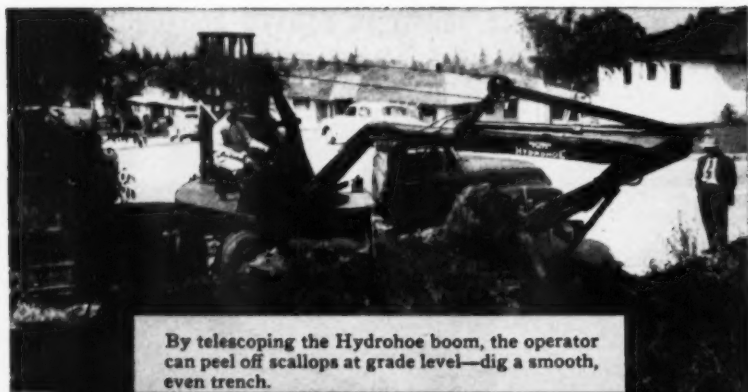
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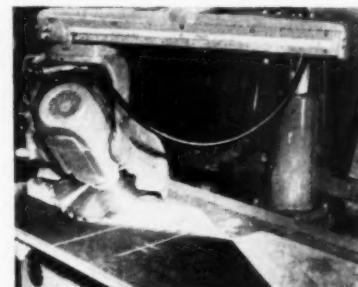
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AB14003—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 462—TRANSLUCENT PANELS—Alysnite Company of America, Dept. AB, 4654 DeSoto St., San Diego, Calif. Fire-resistant, translucent fiber glass panels, made of recently developed resins, are said to maintain adequate color stability. They are available in standard corrugations and flat sheets, and in three colors—maize, light green and opal. Panel uses include such structural and decorative applications as skylights, sidelights, partitions, shower doors, signs, patios and awnings. Material is called Alysnite 200-FR.



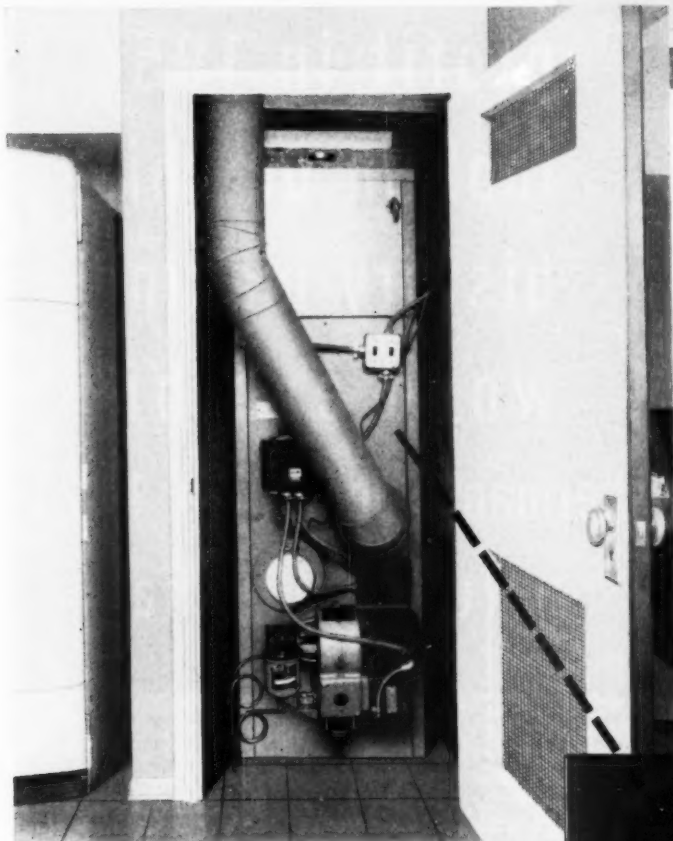
AB14299—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 84-85 and 102-103—FLUSH DOOR—The Mengel Co., Dept. AB, Louisville 1, Ky. Mengel Stabilized Solid-Core Flush Doors are dimensionally stable and available in thickness of 1 3/8-in. and 1 1/2-in. The face veneers are assembled with the grain running vertically, at right angles to the grain of the cross-banding. Both faces are smoothly belt-sanded. These doors are made in standard stock sizes up to 4 by 8 feet, with standard light openings, louvers or special openings as desired.



AB14258—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 38—CARBIDE-TIPPED BLADE—Delta Power Tool Div., Packwell Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 400 Lexington Ave., Pittsburgh 8, Pa. Carbide-tipped saw blades for use with radial saws will reduce machine down time and eliminate many blade problems, according to manufacturer. The blades are suited for crating and other operations in shipping rooms and as cut-off saws in furniture and pattern shops. They will last 25 to 100 times longer than standard blades and will cut through hard or abrasive materials.

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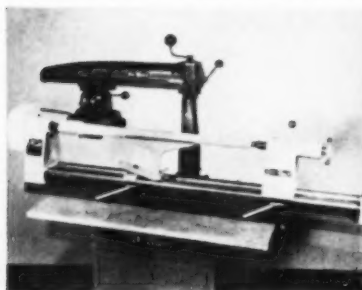
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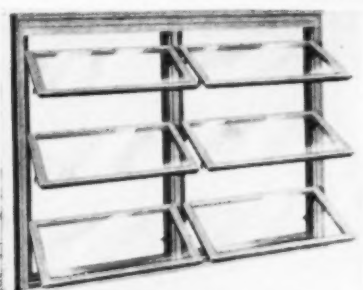
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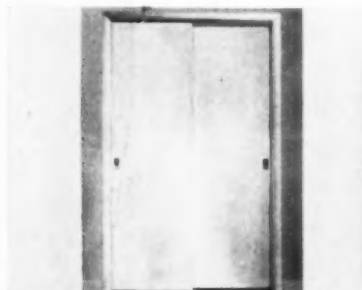
AB14067—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 35-36—WOODWORKING LATHE—DeWalt, Inc., Dept. AB, Lancaster, Pa. Designed as attachment for DeWalt power shop, this lathe can also be used independently. It mounts on work bench, can be powered by any type motor. Turns stock up to 12 inches and accommodates spindles up to 37 inches. Unit can also be used for face plate turning, boring and for light metal spinning. Principal features are adaptability, wide capacity, precision and low price.



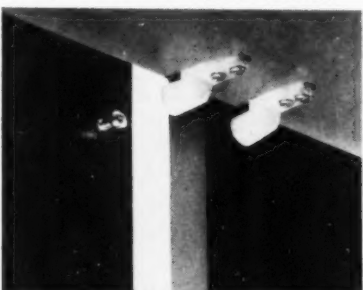
AB14252—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 391—AWNING WINDOW—Roach & Musser Co., Dept. AB, Muscatine, Iowa. A new line of Thrif-T E-Z-Vent wood awning window units has been brought out with 12 standard sizes, including singles, twins, triplets, quadruples and ribbon units; kitchen (over sink) units; window walls, and picture window units. Sash may be cleaned on inside without removing or lifting sash. Windows are equipped with a free-turning operating handle and all-aluminum screen, and aluminum hardware not exposed to outside.



AB14135—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 405-406—VINYL COUNTER TOP—Carr, Adams & Collier Co., Dept. AB, Dubuque, Iowa. Counter top is furnished in several colors, marbled red, green or gray. It is durable and efficient and will give satisfactory sanitary service. The Goodyear vinyl is bonded to a 3/4-inch exterior grade plywood, making a surface that resists wear. One-piece design of the counter top results in a streamlined installation. This Nu-Style counter top is furnished in 12-foot lengths but can be cut with a hand saw.



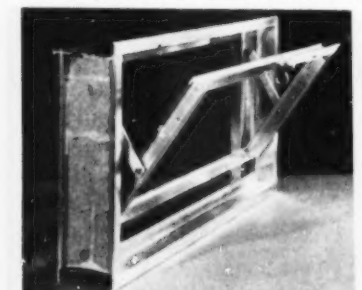
AB14141—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 245—SLIDING DOOR—Haskelite Mfg. Corp., Dept. AB, 701 Ann St., N.W., Grand Rapids 2, Mich. With the Hasko K-D Door everything is in one package. The door drilled for the lock, the lock mechanism, jambs notched for the headers, butts installed on the door and frame, trim mitered, shingles needed for shimming, and the nails needed for hanging are all included in the package. Carpenter needs only a hammer, level and nail set to do a precision casing and hanging job. Doors available in six sizes.



AB14170—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 299-300—FRICTION CATCH—Washington Steel Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 1940 East 11th St., Tacoma 2, Wash. Friction catch which features silence and breakproof parts has been added to the manufacturer's line of cabinet hardware. Called the Washington 1125, its unique feature is the use of paraffine based polyethylene, a self-lubricating material unharmed by acids, moisture or temperature changes. The material returns to its original shape after extreme distortion, assuring original gripping power.



AB14264—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 403—PANEL DOOR—Fir Door Institute, Dept. AB, 1205 Rust Bldg., Tacoma 2, Wash. This newly styled interior panel door features shadow molding replacing bead-and-cove and ovolo sticking. Door is designed to meet trend toward more color and texture in the home. The wide molding frames panel decoration of paint, fabric, wallpaper, applique, decals, etc. Standard dimensions are available in 1, 2 and 3 panel styles. FDI hallmarks attest the meeting of U.S. Commercial Standards.



AB14275—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 411—GLASS BLOCK VENTILATOR—Per-Fit Products Corp., Dept. AB, 1200 E. 52nd St., Indianapolis 5, Ind. Announcement has been made by this manufacturer of aluminum windows of the addition of a heavy extruded aluminum glass block ventilator to its line of double hung and slider windows. The ventilator is available in all standard sizes and opening types for any width glass block. It may be purchased through building material dealers. Also announce horizontal aluminum window.



AB14341—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 150—HEATING UNIT—Royal Heaters, Inc., Dept. AB, 1024 Westminster Ave., Alhambra, Calif. New 70,000 Btu's input Forced Flow heating unit can be built right into the house. The exposed panel can be painted or textured to match any type of decoration. It incorporates a blower to distribute heat to all parts of the house without the need of duct work. Designed to burn natural, manufactured or LP gas, it is available with automatic thermostatic controls. Unit is assembled at factory.



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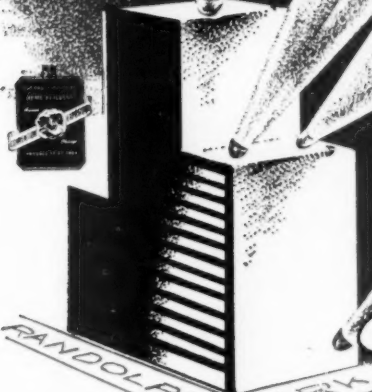
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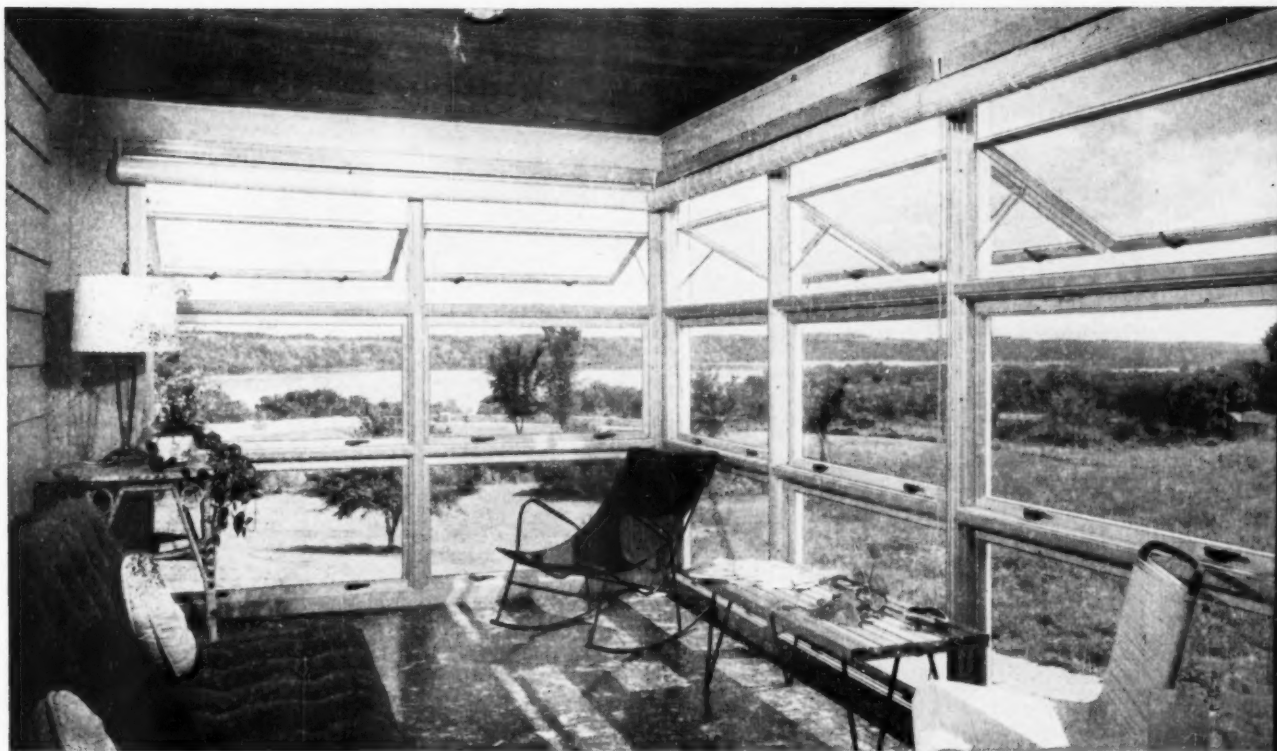
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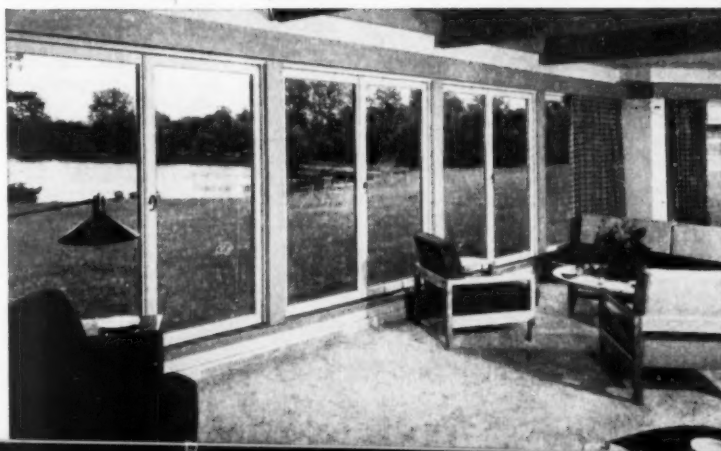
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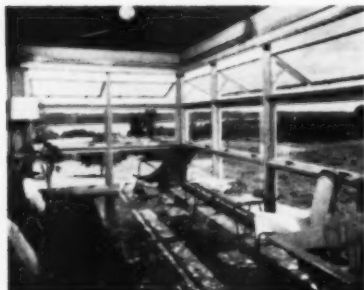
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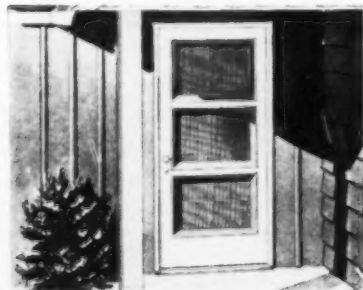
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AB14272—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 396-397—AWNING WINDOW—Andersen Corp., Dept. AB, Bayport, Minn. A new Flexivent Window provides choice of outswinging awning ventilation; inswinging hopper ventilation; outswinging casement ventilation; or fixed sash. The window's manufacturers expect it to be used for ribbon windows for bedrooms and in built-up panel type picture wall sections. The sash is hinged on friction hardware. Nine sizes are available in combinations of three different sash widths and four sash heights.



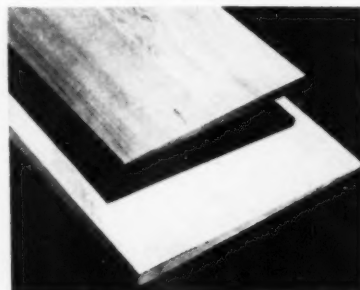
AB14281—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 401-402—LOUVER BLINDS—Farley & Laetscher Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Dubuque, Iowa. Flexo louver blinds are available 1 foot, 4 inches wide, and in heights of 3 feet, 3 inches; 4 feet, 7 inches; 5 feet, 11 inches. Each size may be reduced in height by one or more multiples of four inches. The slats are $\frac{3}{8} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ inches and are dadoed into the stiles and securely nailed. They are treated with toxic and water-repellent wood preservative. Stiles and top rails are $1\frac{1}{8} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ inches, bottom rails, $1\frac{1}{8} \times 3$ inches.



AB14022—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 395—ALL-WEATHER DOOR—The Wabash Screen Door Co., Dept. AB, 310 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. The "Stylist" is a combination weather door that offers a wide range of exterior color treatment and design. It consists of a Ponderosa Pine frame and three picture frame panels (screen or storm) which can be quickly installed or changed. Three-panel design helps achieve low horizontal-line effect. In mild winter weather, top storm panel can be replaced by screen panel for ventilation.



AB14208—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 399-400—WOOD CABINETS—The Long-Bell Lumber Co., Dept. AB, Longview, Wash. Small and compact kitchens, providing more than average storage space offer flexibility of cabinet use and ease of installation. Units will accommodate most surface cooking units and elevated ovens now being made. Cabinets may also be used in utility rooms combined with the kitchen area. Cabinets are made of Douglas Fir with all door and drawer fronts of rift grain woods; units made on a three-inch module.



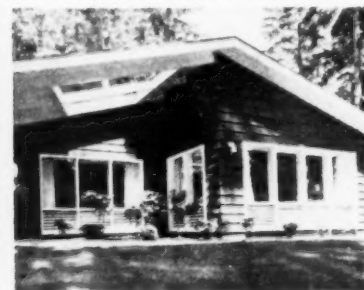
AB14210—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 389-390—EDGE-GLUED LUMBER—Weyerhaeuser Sales Co., Dept. AB, 1st National Bank Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn. An exterior and an interior type of edge-glued lumber are offered. Exterior type is a general purpose lumber to be used as exposure lumber, or for interior application. It is available in bungalow siding, finish, stepping and in wide items. The interior type is for interior construction purposes, industrial uses and any application where water-proofness is not a use factor.



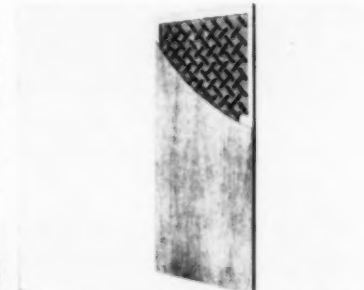
AB14074—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 407-408—KITCHEN CABINETS—Curtis Companies, Inc., Dept. AB, Clinton, Iowa. Several additions have been made to the company line of birch kitchen units; other Curtis products include convertible window unit, combination door and new "woman planned" kitchens. These latter embody over 50 convenience and decorative features, available either in natural finish or in white, ready for decoration. These open-plan type kitchens offer wide flexibility in any size kitchen lay-out.



AB14298—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 368-369—KNOT SEALER—Western Pine Association, Dept. AB, Yeon Bldg., Portland 4, Ore. Known as Formula WP-578, this knot sealer has been tested and is recommended by the Western Pine Association. It is being manufactured and distributed nationally by many companies. The sealer is applied to the knots before painting and is practically colorless. It is made of a synthetic resin. The formula was the best of some 600 tested by research engineers for the Association.



AB14068—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 366-367—WOOD SIDING—West Coast Lumbermen's Assoc., Dept. AB, 1410 W. Morrison St., Portland, Ore. To meet the demand for rustic exterior effects, rough textured red cedar and West Coast hemlock bevel siding are introduced. Soft texture of rough bevel siding is demonstrated in economy grades of "B" cedar and "D" hemlock. Adapts to a variety of architectural effects of interest to builders, and offers significant savings in material costs. Stresses versatility.



AB14136—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 385-386—FLUSH DOOR—Morgan Co., Dept. AB, Blue Island Ave. & Wood St., Chicago 8, Ill. "Tee-Car" hollow core interior and exterior doors are engineered for dimensional stability. Diagonally spaced block core resists all stresses—crosswise, lengthwise, diagonally. Urea-resin glue on interior door and resorcinol glue on exterior door seal entire back surfaces of panels resisting moisture transmission. Heavy exterior door veneers permit V grooving, and location of lights anywhere on the surface.

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2. Low-cost installation.
3. Unit design makes for individuality.
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5. Continuity of design provides for a "kitchen that grows".
6. Allows installation of modern counter cooking units.
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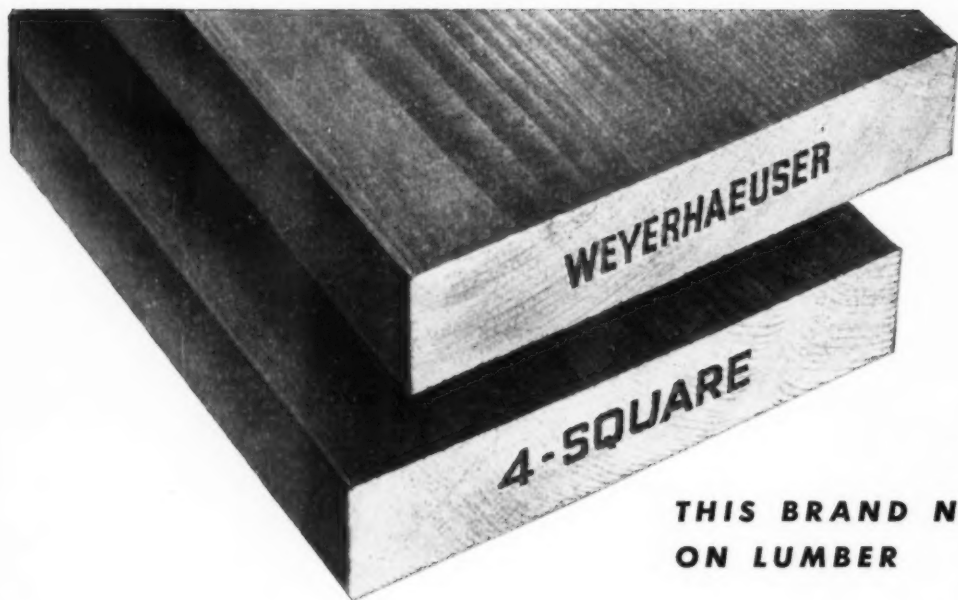
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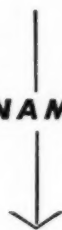
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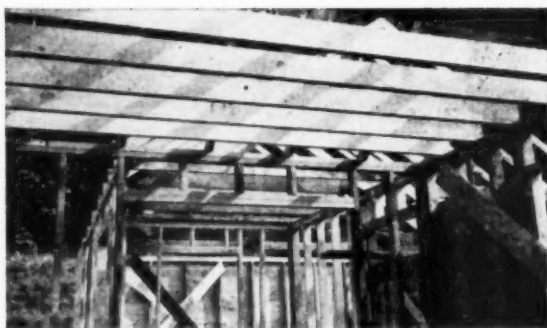
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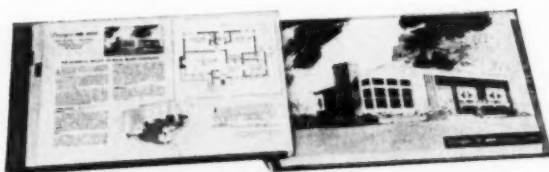
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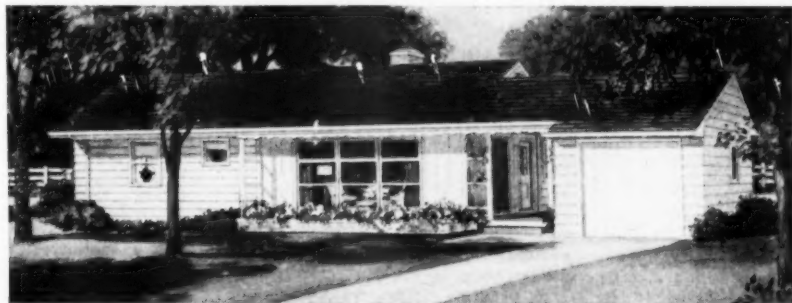
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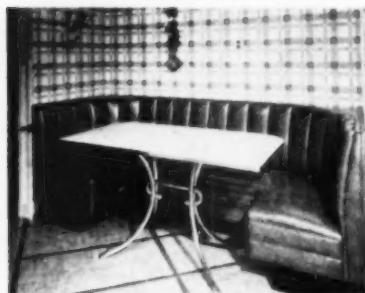


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AB14134—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 412-413—DINING NOOK—Bianco Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 2736 Victor St., St. Louis 4, Mo. Kitchen Hostess Nook fits almost every type of floor plan. It permits savings in wall construction, floor space and tiling. Nooks are upholstered in a choice of colors of heavy-gauge vinyl over rubberized hair with no-sag springs on hardwood frames. Tables have Formica tops in matching colors. Kick-plates are non-scuff. Unit provides an eye-catching consumer feature to house, helps to close sales.



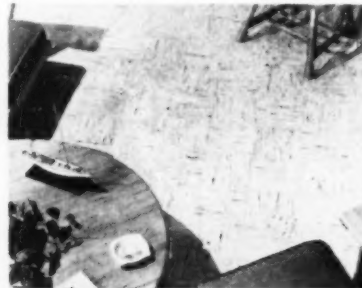
AB14263—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 86—FAMILY HOUSE—Parents' Magazine, Dept. AB, 52 Vanderbilt Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Designed to meet the specific needs of families with children, this house was one of many sponsored by Parents' Magazine in their program in behalf of home building. The houses are engineered for economical construction by individuals and are adaptable for large-scale home builders and developers of sub-divisions. Information about working drawings for these homes is available through the magazine.



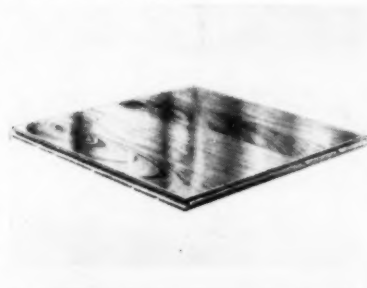
AB14164—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 352—CEILING LIGHT—Moe Light, Inc., Dept. AB, Fort Atkinson, Wis. A lighting fixture that dramatizes the table beneath has been developed to be used to particular advantage for table settings in dining rooms. An automatic reel concealed in the canopy permits an overall length adjustment from 20 to 54 inches. The diameter of the fixture is 21 inches. The louvered lens directs light downward without glare. Finish is chromium or satin brass. Shade is frost white fiber glass.



AB14055—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 144—ELECTRICAL TUBING—National Electric Products Corp., Dept. AB, Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, Pa. XDuct Junior has bright outside surface, high resistance to corrosion. New inside surface minimizes resistance for wire pulling. New electro-galvanizing process assures unbroken zinc coating that does not flake or crack. A further process includes a brightening agent, provides bright surface. Inner surface has newly developed baked-on aluminum enamel. Tubing in 10-foot lengths.



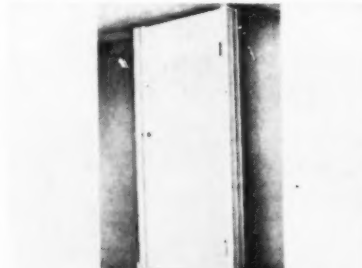
AB14008—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 472-473—LINOLEUM TILE—Congoleum-Nairn, Inc., Dept. AB, 195 Belgrave Drive, Kearny, N.J. Gold Seal Ranchtile, shown, is a new water-resistant linoleum tile developed and tested for installation over on-grade concrete slab, including over radiant heat ducts. Product is said to have high resistance to indentation and is not easily marked by furniture. It is also highly resistant to moisture, alkali, grease, soil and abrasion. Tile's composition offers much resilience and flexibility.



AB14139—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 315—BLOCK FLOORING—D. L. Fair Lumber Co., Dept. AB, Louisville, Miss. Delfair Multi-Wood Block is low-cost type of block flooring made from selected mixed hardwoods. It is prefinished at the factory for extra durability and beauty. The material comes in one grade only—No. 1 Common and Better. The Multi-Wood Block is designed especially for extra economy in residential and commercial construction. Each block is 12x12-inch nominal size, tongued and grooved on all four sides.



AB14169—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 87—KITCHEN PLANNER—Tracy Kitchens Division, Edgewater Steel Corp., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 1137, Pittsburgh 30, Pa. Tracy Kitchens have introduced a new sales aid for their dealers, The Tracy Kitchen Planner. It helps the salesman to show the housewife exactly how her remodeled kitchen will appear when finished. With the planner, he can make a finished perspective drawing of the proposed kitchen showing all details. Each salesman is required to complete a course in the use of the planner before using it.



AB14146—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 363—PACKAGED DOOR—Ready Hung Door Corp., Dept. AB, Anderson Bldg., Fort Worth 2, Tex. This door and frame packaged unit has the door hinged, the lock installed and the frame trimmed on both sides; it is ready to install in any inside wall opening. The jamb, with trim or casing attached, is made in two parts which slip apart for installation from opposite sides of the wall opening. Jamb is adjustable for wall thicknesses from 4 1/4 to 5 1/2 inches. Unit can be installed in 20 minutes.



AB14175—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 5-6-7—AWNING WINDOW—Truscon Steel Division, Republic Steel Corp., Youngstown 1, Ohio. The Truscon aluminum casement is available in a new range of modular widths in order to offer the builder advantages of coordinated modular construction. All windows in 2, 3, and 4-light widths are dimensioned in multiples of 16 inches, conforming to standard concrete block dimensions. Heights are identical with standard steel casements. Screens of aluminum screen wire are made for these windows.

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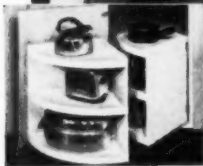


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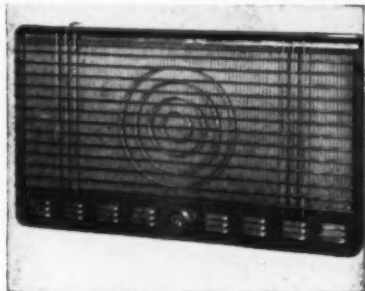
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AB14163—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 217-218-219 — WOOD KITCHENS—Mutschler Brothers Co., Dept. AB, Nappanee, Ind. Wood kitchens are of interest to new home buyers in that they offer attractive appearance as well as many time-saving features for the housewife. Features like the sliding bins for fruits and vegetables, a cabinet that stores the food mixer and lifts it to a level convenient for use, and cabinets containing sliding racks to conceal cooking utensils right near the range are offered in these new wood cabinet kitchens.



AB14328—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 351 —HEATING PANEL—Electriglas Corp., Dept. AB, Bergenfield, N. J. The "Space-Saver" is a 1,500-watt wall panel, 21 1/4 x 37 1/4 inches, developed to answer the problem of providing maximum heating efficiency with the use of less wall space. Designed with long, low lines, the panel is particularly useful under large window areas. Actual heating surface is 16x36 inches. Used alone, the panel is an adequate heating medium for small rooms; used in multiples, good for larger applications.



AB14326—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 466 —GLASS JALOUSIES—Air Control Jalousies of America, Inc., Dept. AB, 3601 N.W. 54th St., Miami, Fla. Above illustration shows a typical installation of the Air Control glass jalousie window and door. The door is made of selected grain 1 3/4-inch Douglas fir; unit may be equipped with aluminum screen or Air-Tite storm sash. Jalousie window is provided with heavy extruded aluminum frame and aluminum screen (storm sash available). VA and FHA approved.



AB14013—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 423 —ELECTRIC RANGE—A. J. Lindemann & Hoverson Co., Dept. AB, 601 W. Cleveland Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. Custom-built unit provides complete cooking facilities for new or remodeled kitchen. Oven and surface units can be installed at most convenient room location, according to builder's plan. Range is designed for control versatility, compact arrangement, efficiency, cooking convenience, freedom of design and oven flexibility. Ranges are approved by Underwriters Laboratories.



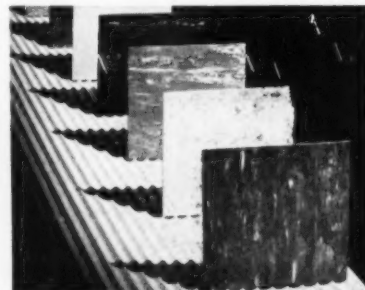
AB14020—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 233-234—COUNTERFLOW FURNACE—Rheem Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 4361 Firestone Blvd., Southgate, Calif. Available in two sizes, this gas furnace employs the counterflow principle of warm-air delivery for use in perimeter applications. Units have enclosed controls, built-in draft diverter, top venting, zero clearance approval by ACA and sufficient space in the bottom of the furnace for installation of an automatic humidifier. Two models furnish 80,000 and 100,000 Btu's.



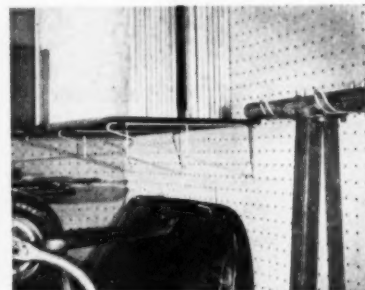
AB14129—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 281 —STEEL DOOR FRAME—Kewanee Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Kewanee, Ill. Frames are installed flush with the finished wall surface. All dust-catching projections around doors and windows and other openings are eliminated. Installation is quick and easy. All sawing, corner-mitering, filling of nail holes and the use of wood plaster grounds typical with other methods are done away with. Frames can be used with drywall construction. Made of galvanized, bonderized steel for paint adhesion.



AB14225—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 451-452—GARAGE DOOR PANEL—Raynor Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Dixon, Ill. Typical examples of the effect created by these carved panel wood sectional overhead doors are shown. The carved panel door is available in square as well as long, narrow panels, enabling owner to get proper door which best fits the architecture of the rest of the home. Manufacturer also offers five-section wide panel door with three-way stress construction, Protecta-dipped interior hardware and plated exterior hardware.



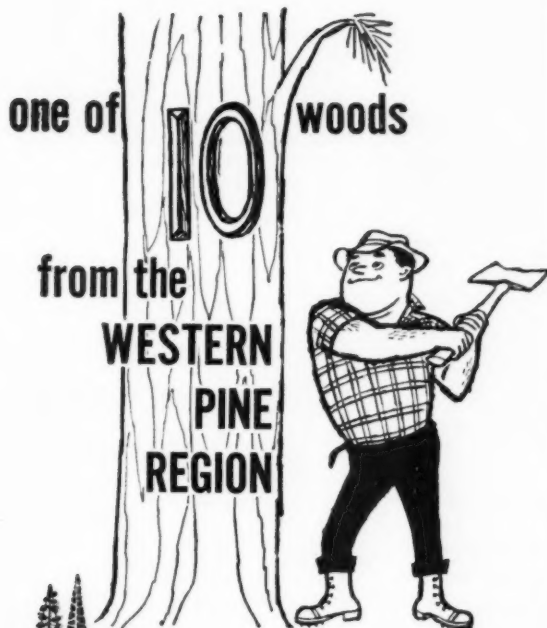
AB14154—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 249—VINYLITE SURFACING—Fremont Rubber Co., Dept. AB, Fremont, Ohio. A new line of Vinatile and Vinatop, vinylite plastic surfacing materials with new Soft-Glo finish is introduced. The finish gives added lustre with long-wearing qualities. Waxing is unnecessary and only brings out extra glow in the material which is available in nine marbled colors. Vinatile is made in 6x6 inches and 9x9 inches Tru-Cut squares; Vinatop comes in rolls, 30, 36 and 42 inches wide.



AB14157—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 30-31 —PERFORATED PANEL—Masonite Corp., Dept. AB, 111 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill. Masonite Peg-Board panels and fixtures have been introduced. The perforated panels of Presdwood and more than 60 types of fixtures may be purchased in lumber yards throughout the United States. Their applications in homes, stores, offices and factories as working walls are innumerable. Panels come in sizes ranging from 24x36 inches to 48x96 inches and may be put over studs in new work or over old walls.

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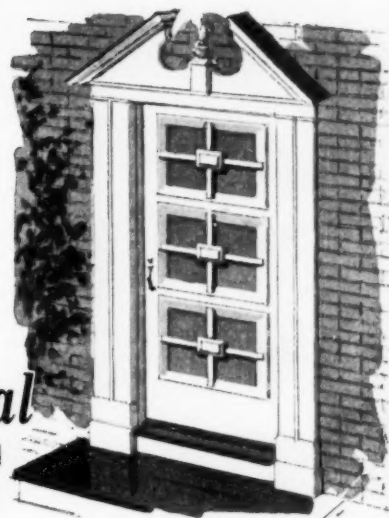
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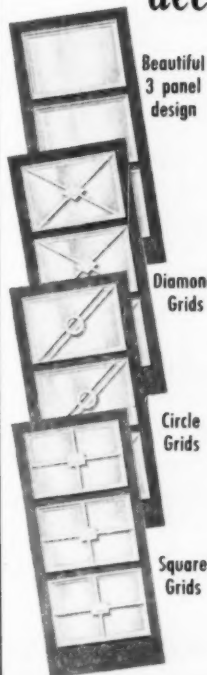
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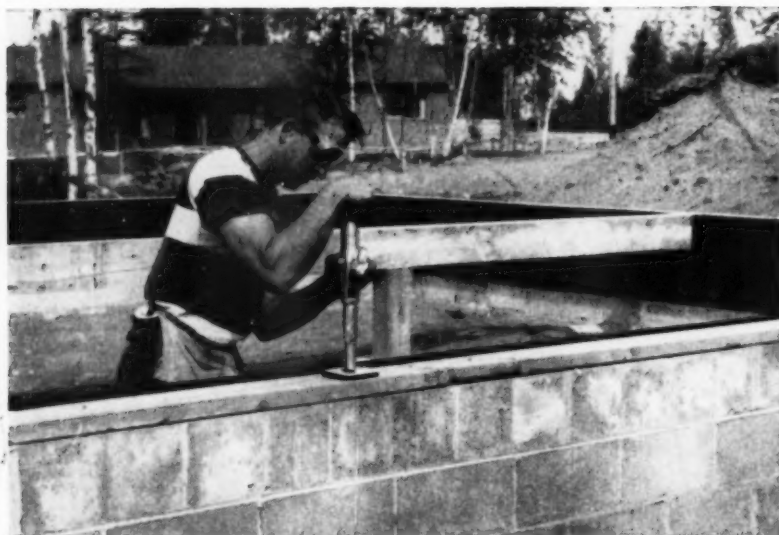
The complete door includes frame, three storm panels and three screen panels—all of Ponderosa Pine, Woodlife treated. For use strictly as a screen door, the Stylist is available with screen panels only. Grids are furnished as extras. Sold through retail lumber dealers.

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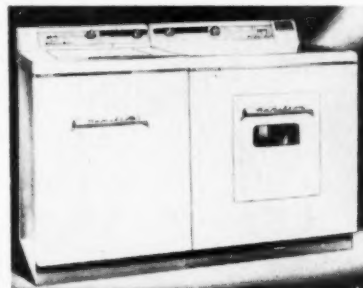
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AB14143—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 16—TILE FLOORING—Johns-Manville Sales Corp., Dept. AB, 22 East 40th St., New York 16, N.Y. Terraflex vinyl tile flooring now available in 1/16-inch standard gauge. It is simple to install since any cutting that is necessary can be done with a pair of scissors. New 1/16-inch Terraflex is especially valuable for residential work or for certain types of commercial installations that are not exposed to heavy traffic. This tile is secured to the floor with mastic in the usual manner.



AB14270—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 129—HOME LAUNDRY—Hamilton Manufacturing Co., Home Appliance Division, Dept. AB, Two Rivers, Wis. The all-new automatic washer, at the left, features soil-seeking water action and completely flexible washing cycle with agitator washing and overflow rinsing. The redesigned original automatic clothes dryer, at the right, utilizes patented Carrier-Current Air Circulation, Fabri-Dial variable temperature control, 130-Minute Timer and Hi-Power Exhaust. Dryer is available in gas and electric models.



AB14060—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 309—OUTLET UNIT—The Wiremold Co., Dept. AB, Hartford 10, Conn. This multi-outlet raceway, Plugmold 2000, provides outlets for residential and commercial buildings. System is installed in a continuous run; receptacles are pre-wired in 50-foot lengths, eliminating connections between short lengths. Outlet shown is 6 inches on centers; other spacings available are 30 inches and 18 inches on center. Also made are duplex constant service outlets and duplex 3-wire outlets.

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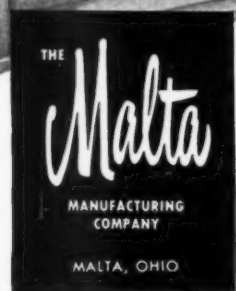
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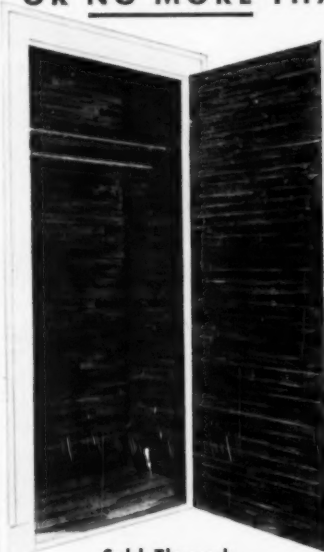
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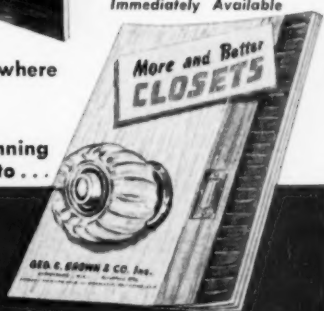
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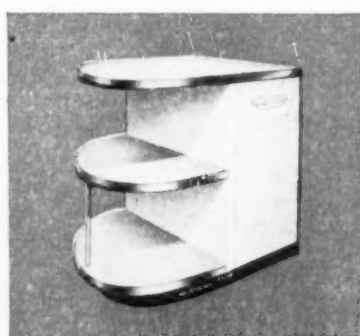
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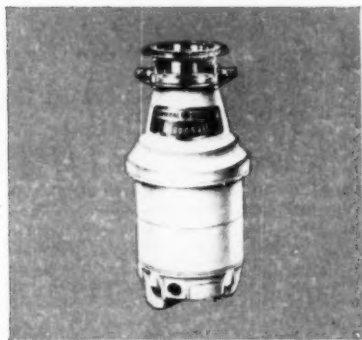
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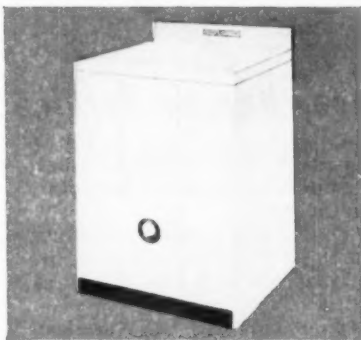
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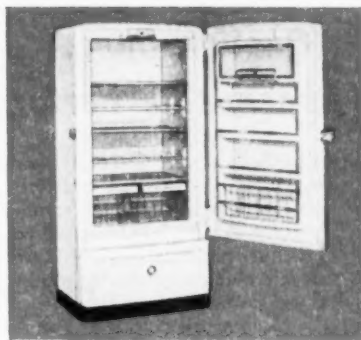
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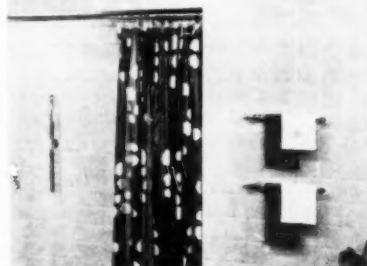
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AB14254—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 356—TUBULAR POST—The Sawhill Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Sharon, Pa. The adjustable Red-I-Post was designed to readjust the inequities of sagging floors in the home, barn, warehouse or garage. Easy to install and permanent, the Red-I-Post fits any basement, helps to eliminate cracked plaster and sticking doors. The post shown adjusts from 5 feet 5½ inches to 8 feet 4 inches. Other sizes are available. The company also produces clothes posts, mailbox and lantern posts.



AB14174—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 310-311—AIR CONDITIONER—Remington Corp., Dept. AB, Auburn, N. Y. The "Leader" console unit, available in 1 and 1½ h.p. models, is recommended for commercial or industrial use, remote or built-in home installations, custom built enclosures. Where water and drainage are a problem, air-cooled units may be used, singly or in multiple, in place of heavier equipment. Water-cooled models preferable where openings to outside air supply are unavailable. Units supplied for AC and DC.



AB14267—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 410—PLASTIC WALL TILE—Hachmeister-Inc., Dept. AB, Box 357, Pittsburgh 30, Pa. A new Coronet Plastic Wall Tile has been introduced which is 4¼ inches square and conforms to the commercial standards of the S.P.I. A water-seal flange and a new knife edge enters the cement without resistance and forces the cement under the water-seal flange, assuring a positive waterproof tile wall, safe for shower areas and tub recesses. Tile is available in 18 pastel marbled and plain colors.

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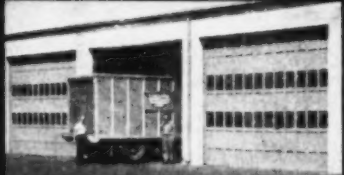
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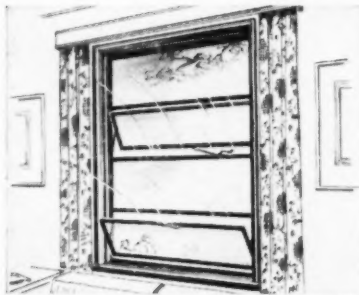
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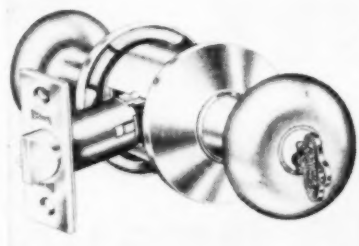
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AB14011—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 72-73 CASEMENT WINDOW—Detroit Steel Products Co., Dept. AB, 2250 E. Grand Blvd., Detroit 11, Mich. Awning-type, Residential Projected window has outswinging and inswinging vents or combination of two. Unit is hot-dip galvanized and banded for maintenance-free operation. It is stocked in all standard residential types and sizes. Window is also adaptable to placement of air conditioning units. Mullions are supplied for combining the windows with picture or casement units.



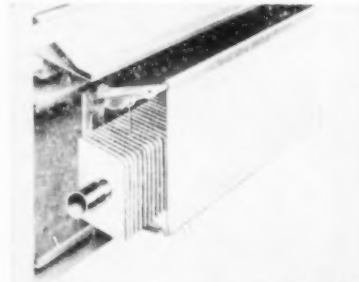
AB14220—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 343—CONTEMPORARY HOUSE—Richmond Homes, Inc., Dept. AB, Richmond, Ind. A more completely prefabricated, advanced design line of homes named "New Horizon" features a 2 1/2:12 pitch roof, extensive window areas, integral patio and carporch. On the interior, the living room ceiling follows the roof pitch. A fireplace and other built-in details place this low-cost home in the luxury class. Increasing demand for luxury features in these homes has necessitated their inclusion in 1954 model.



AB14343—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 342—CYLINDRICAL LOCKSETS—Russell & Erwin Div., The American Hardware Corp., Dept. AB, New Britain, Conn. New "Homeguard" line is designed for residential construction; has features usually found in higher priced lines. Case screws are concealed behind roses. Outside rose is an integral unit cupped over lock case, a tamper-proof feature. Knob retainer located in side of knob shank for easier installation. Entrance door sets have exclusive ball bearing five-tumbler cylinder.



AB14005—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 428—BASEMENT DOOR—The Bilco Co., Dept. AB, 108 Hallock Ave., New Haven 5, Conn. This all-metal, permanent unit is stated to be fire- and burglarproof and weathertight. A packaged unit, it can be assembled and installed on new homes in a few minutes. The wide, direct access provided by the door offers a powerful selling point on homes that feature basement work shops, recreation rooms or extra living space. Door eliminates tracking dirt through first floor rooms, saves steps for repair- and servicemen.



AB14023—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 51—BASEBOARD HEATING—Warren Webster & Co., Dept. AB, 17th & Federal St., Camden 5, N.J. Forced hot water baseboard heating spreads heat entire length of exposed walls, replacing heat at perimeter of the building where heat loss occurs. Result is nearly same floor and ceiling temperatures without overheating. Unbroken floor line allows full length draperies and wall-to-wall carpeting. Element serves as heating unit and heating main with no need for separate distribution piping.



AB14024—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 317-318—PRE-HUNG DOOR—Young Wood Products Co., Dept. AB, Novi, Mich. This unit is adjustable to all rough door openings regardless of wall construction. Door is shipped in heavy individual carton insuring safe arrival without scratches. Casings are machine-mitered and splined at factory to insure perfect workmanship. No shimming is necessary to bring rough framing and door jamb together. Door can be hung in less time than by conventional method, hangs without binding.

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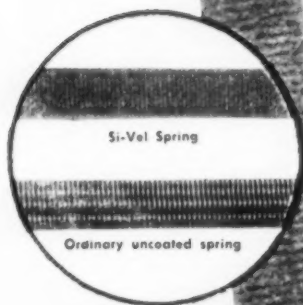
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AB14150—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 32—T&G PANELING—Marsh Wall Products, Inc., Dept. AB, Dover, Ohio. "Marlite" prefinished planks and blocks are provided in two modular shapes and sizes for easy handling, fast application. Planks are 16 inches wide and eight feet long; blocks are 16 inches square; both are 3/16 inch thick. Tongue and groove joint is installed over old walls or furring strips with concealed nails or clips; no fastenings show in finished installation. Product available in four wood grains, 10 colors.



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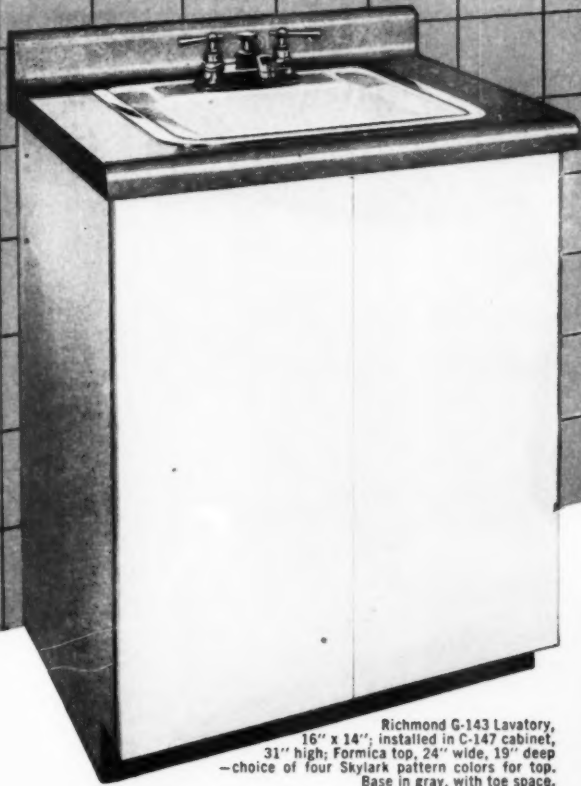
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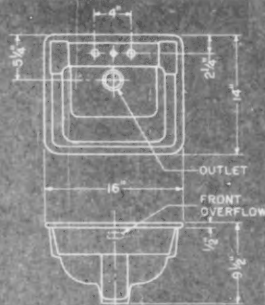
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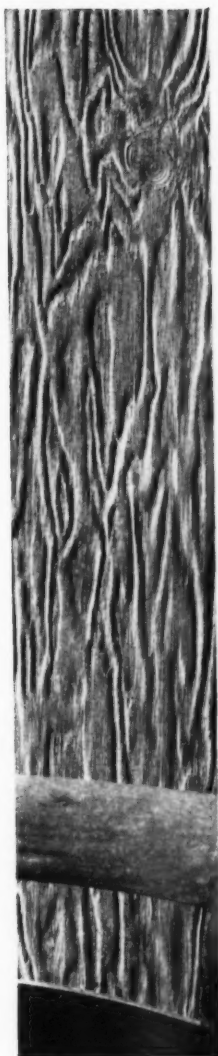


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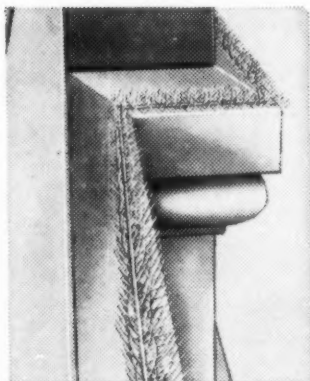
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AB14269—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 323-324—HEATER-AIR CONDITIONER—Surface Combustion Corp., Janitrol Div., Dept. AB, Toledo, Ohio. The new combination winter and summer air conditioners known as the Win-Sum Twins are a combination of the Janitrol gas-fired winter air conditioner and a new summer air conditioner. The Twins use the same duct system and a damper control permits only one of the units to operate at a time. Builders can install the winter air conditioner immediately and the summer unit at a later date.



AB14332—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 153-154—CABINET HARDWARE—American Cabinet Hardware Corp., Dept. AB, 416 S. Main St., Rockford, Ill. New addition to the Amerock line of Colonial cabinet hardware is the magnetic bar latch, illustrated. A powerful Alnico-5 magnet has floating action for positive contact to hold cabinet doors securely. Latch has no moving parts and is stated to last a lifetime. Finish is either Colonial Black, Antique Copper or Swedish Iron. Latch is said to be easy to install on new or old cabinets.



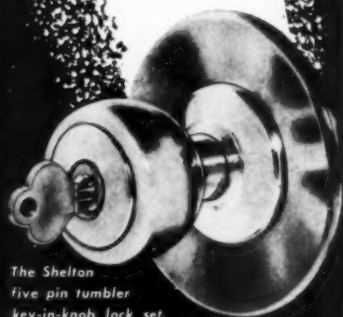
AB14137—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 145-146—RADIANT PANEL TUBING—The American Brass Co., Dept. AB, 25 Broadway, New York 4, N.Y. Prefabricated grids are made of 3/8-inch Type L copper water tube. Each panel grid contains approximately 50 linear feet. At normal six-inch spacing along the center line, the PG is rated at 1,800 Btu's and at this spacing measures about 56" wide by 60" long—serving a ceiling area of about 30 square feet. One end of the unit is expanded so that the grids are easily solder-connected in series without fitting.

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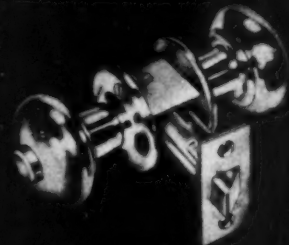
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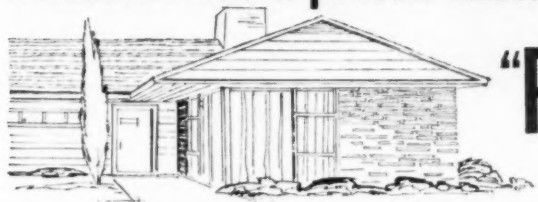


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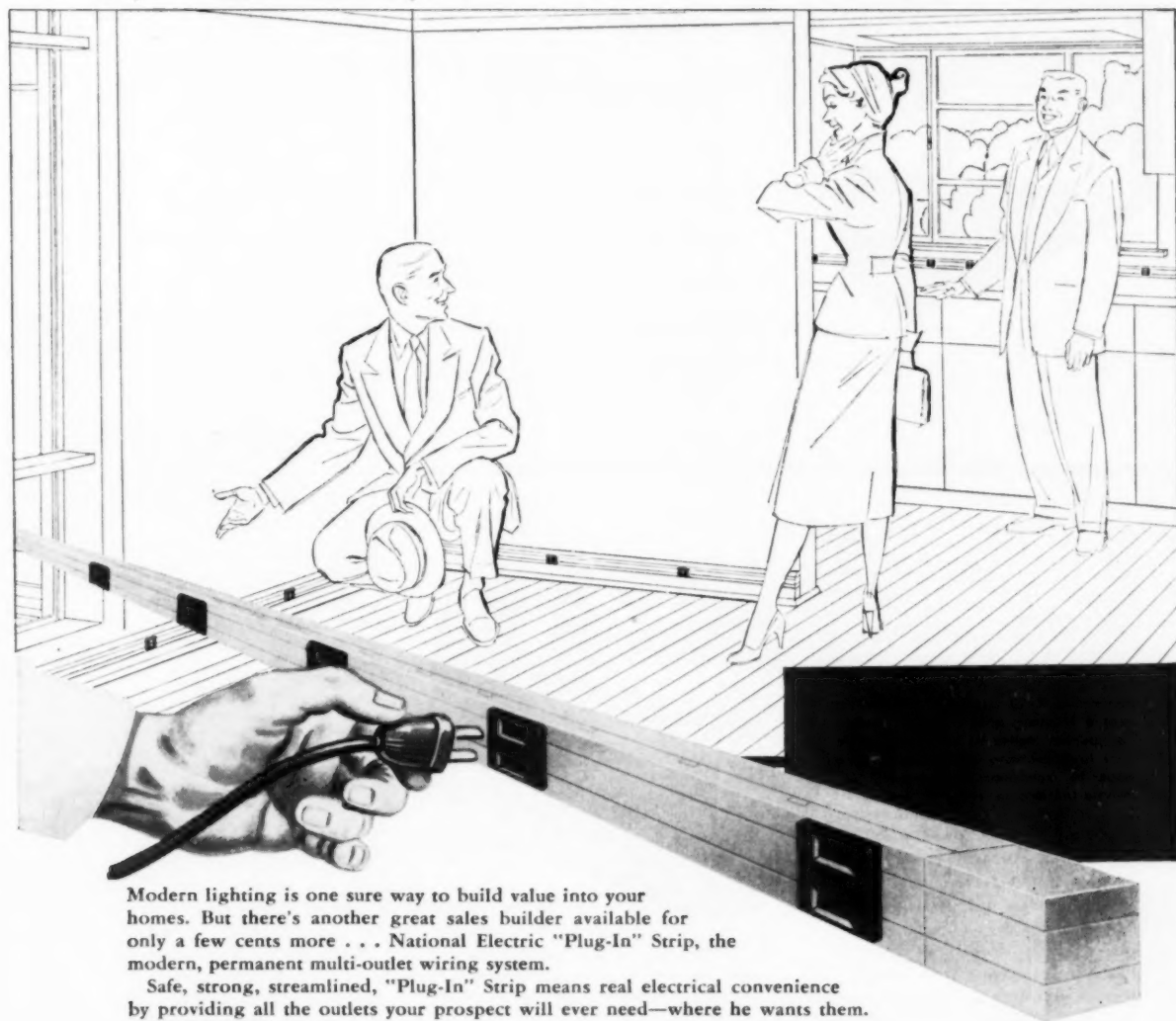
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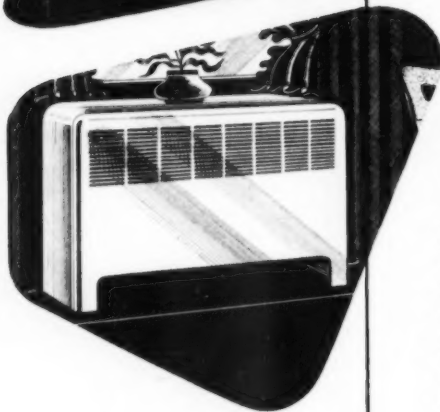
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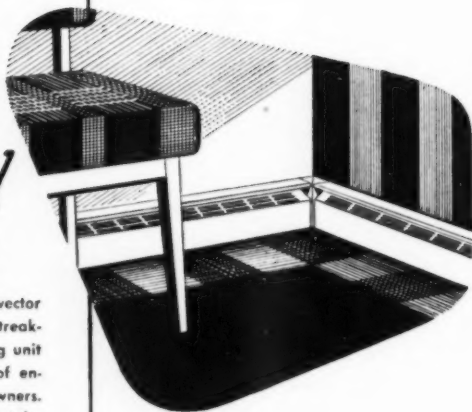
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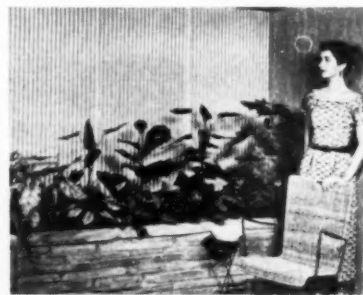
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AB14222—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 295-296-297—AWNING WINDOW—Industrial Machine Tool Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 301 S. Oak St., Fenton, Mich. This awning window uses Goodyear vinyl weatherstripping both on the outside perimeter for each operating vent and on the inside of the frame. It is so designed that it resists and deflects any wind pressure when vents are in closed position. All corners of frame are mitered and flash welded with exposed surfaces dressed smooth. Inside face of frame has no protrusions of any kind.

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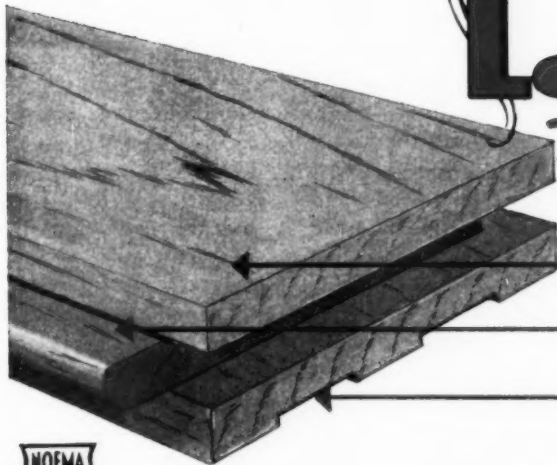
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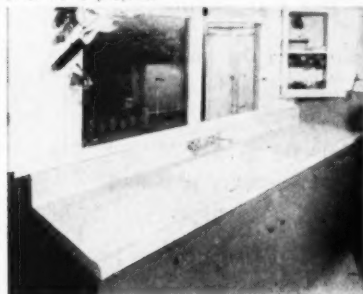
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AB14007—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 225-226—COOKING UNITS—Chambers Corp., Dept. AB, 2464 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis 8, Ind. "Built-In" gas ovens and cooking tops in antique copper finish can be installed in standard or custom kitchen cabinets, wood or metal, to save steps, space and time. Manufacturer's "In-A-Wall" oven uses only ten minutes of gas for one hour of cooking; food finishes automatically on retained heat. Oven provides convenient cooking at waist-high level, eliminating stooping. Antique copper finish harmonizes with any kitchen.



AB14300—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 340-341—DRILL KIT—Stanley Tools, Dept. AB, New Britain, Conn. A new drill kit for the handyman, the Model H10 is supplied with a quality 1/4-inch drill to do a variety of jobs around the home. Kit also includes a paint mixer, polishing bonnet, three sanding discs, three twist drills, rubber back-up pad and metal carrying case. Weight of the kit is 5 1/2 pounds, so it may be easily carried about for drilling jobs, sanding of furniture and numerous other home projects.



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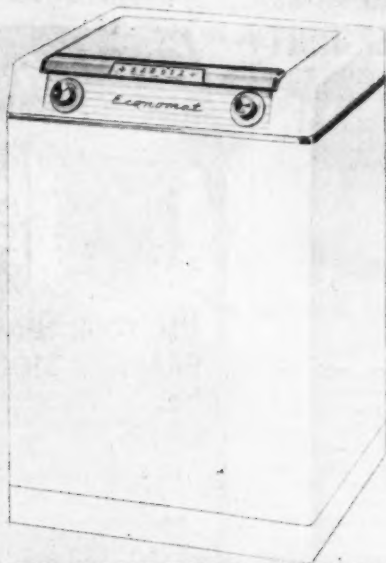
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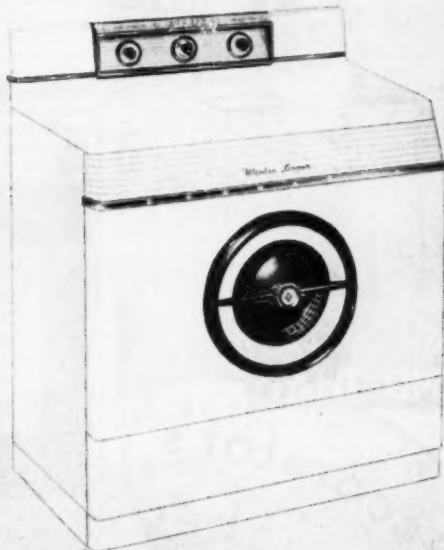


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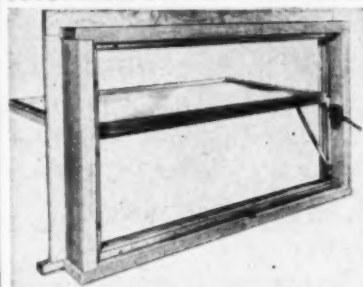
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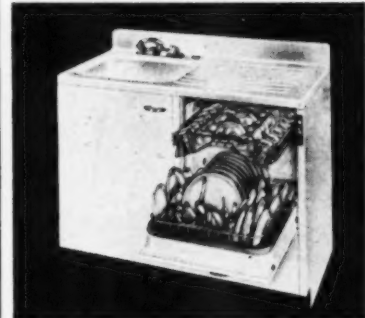
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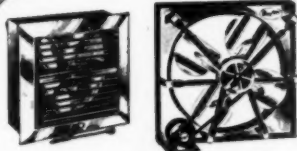


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287-288—GARAGE DOOR—Morrison Steel Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 601 Amherst St., Buffalo 7, N. Y. The "Roly-Door" steel sectional garage door is supplied in 8x7, 9x7 and 16x7-foot models. It has reinforced construction for industrial use. Door is actuated by finger-tip control from within garage, eliminating danger from weight by snow, etc. Door cannot rattle in wind. It has no protruding hardware. Metal surfaces are protected by a durable zinc, phosphate coating.

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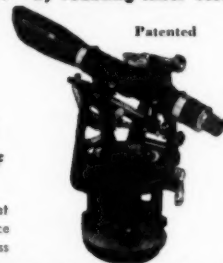
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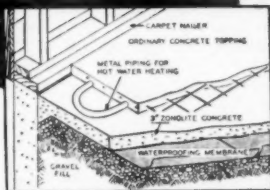
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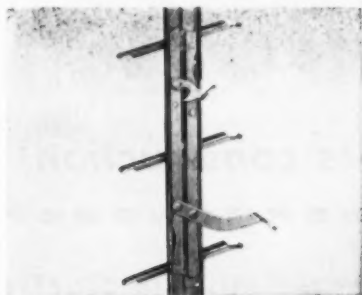
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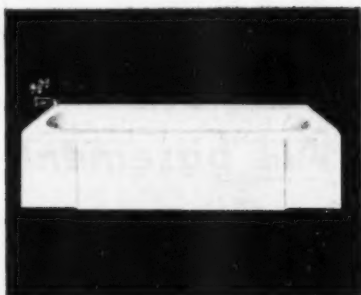
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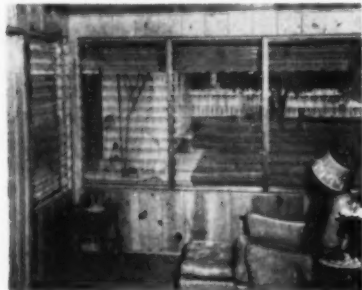
AB14001—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 291-292—WINDOW HARDWARE—Sun Sash Co., Dept. AB, 38 Park Row, New York 38, N.Y. "Side-Seal" louvered window hardware, said to be a revolutionary improvement in the louver window industry, is made with a built-in ridge on the channel and on the louver pockets. In closed position the ridge meshes with the louver pocket to form a tight seal, insuring it against all types of weather conditions. There is no rubbing on the side of the channel, and it can take up to three coats of ordinary house paint.



AB14156—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 8-9—BATHTUB—Universal-Rundle Corp., Dept. AB, New Castle, Pa. A new 14-inch-high bathtub, the Meade, is a full-size five-foot recess tub incorporating a modern apron design with a wide panel seat. It provides a low-cost enameled cast iron recess tub for installation where a full 16-inch tub is not needed. Its features match those of its larger sister tubs including the recessed soap dish and multiple-coat vitrified-enamel finish available in regular white enamel, in acid-resisting white and 4 colors.



AB14257—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 339—KITCHEN VENTILATOR—Trade-Wind Motors, Inc., Dept. AB, 5725 So. Main St., Los Angeles, Calif. Model 3501 is a kitchen ventilator to be installed in a cabinet over the range. It has a scroll which houses the motor and blower units. This has improved the performance of the equipment and has streamlined the housing of the unit for better eye appeal. It also incorporates a new 4-speed switch control and has two inlets and filters, one above stove, a second at ceiling level.



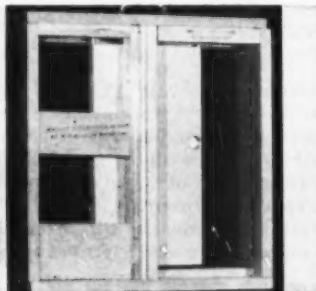
AB14347—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 430—LOUVER WINDOWS—Van Ness Louvre Co., Dept. AB, 8354 San Fernando Road, Sun Valley, Calif. This louver window has the roto gear box built inside the frame. Home owner can have inside or outside screens, glass installed outside or inside, with choice of extended crank or wing handle. Roto gear operator permits locking of louvers in any position. All-aluminum construction, stainless steel weatherstripping and self-adjusting glass clip holders for 3/16- or 7/32-inch glass.



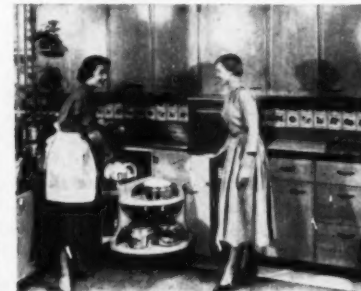
AB14148—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 220—GAS RANGE—Magic Chef, Inc., Dept. AB, 1641 S. Kingshighway Blvd., St. Louis 10, Mo. New model GR63L is a deluxe medium-priced range for compact kitchens. It is an all-porcelain unit with a single-piece welded frame. It has divided cooking top, right hand oven, swing-out broiler, full length storage compartment. Top burner speed is increased with "Uni-Burner" feature; accurate oven heat is assured by precision regulator. Plastic compartment handles and custom-molded control knobs included.



AB14295—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 60-61—WASTE DISPOSER—Given Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Los Angeles, Calif. The "Super Hush" Waste King Pulverator models were first distributed nationally in August, 1953. They stress quieter and smoother operation, with noise and vibration absorbed at the sink mounting and drain connection. The Pulverator provides a drain outlet with wide clearance for slip-joint connection to a conventional 1 1/2-in. trap. "P" or "S" type traps can be used for the waste line from Pulverator to drain stack.



AB14260—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 240-241—SLIDING DOOR FRAME—Nordahl Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 180 W. Alameda Ave., Burbank, Calif. Sliding door frames and wardrobe hardware designed for either by-passing or pocket type installation feature easy installation and quiet operation. Hardware has nylon rollers with ball bearings; track is aluminum; has no dust-catching bottom track. May be used with any thickness of panel or door. Frames are shipped from factory as packaged units ready for immediate installation.



AB14168—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 223-224—KITCHEN CABINETS—The Kitchen Maid Corp., Dept. AB, Andrews, Ind. Factory finished standard Kitchen Maid units feature chip-proof, rust-proof drawers. Composite construction employs aluminum and selected hardwoods. Other features include solid, flush type, resinite doors of two-ply grainless Presdwood; stiles and rails in rigid frames of seasoned hardwoods; shelves and ends of five-ply hardwood. The kitchens have countertops of plastic in a variety of colors or of stainless steel.

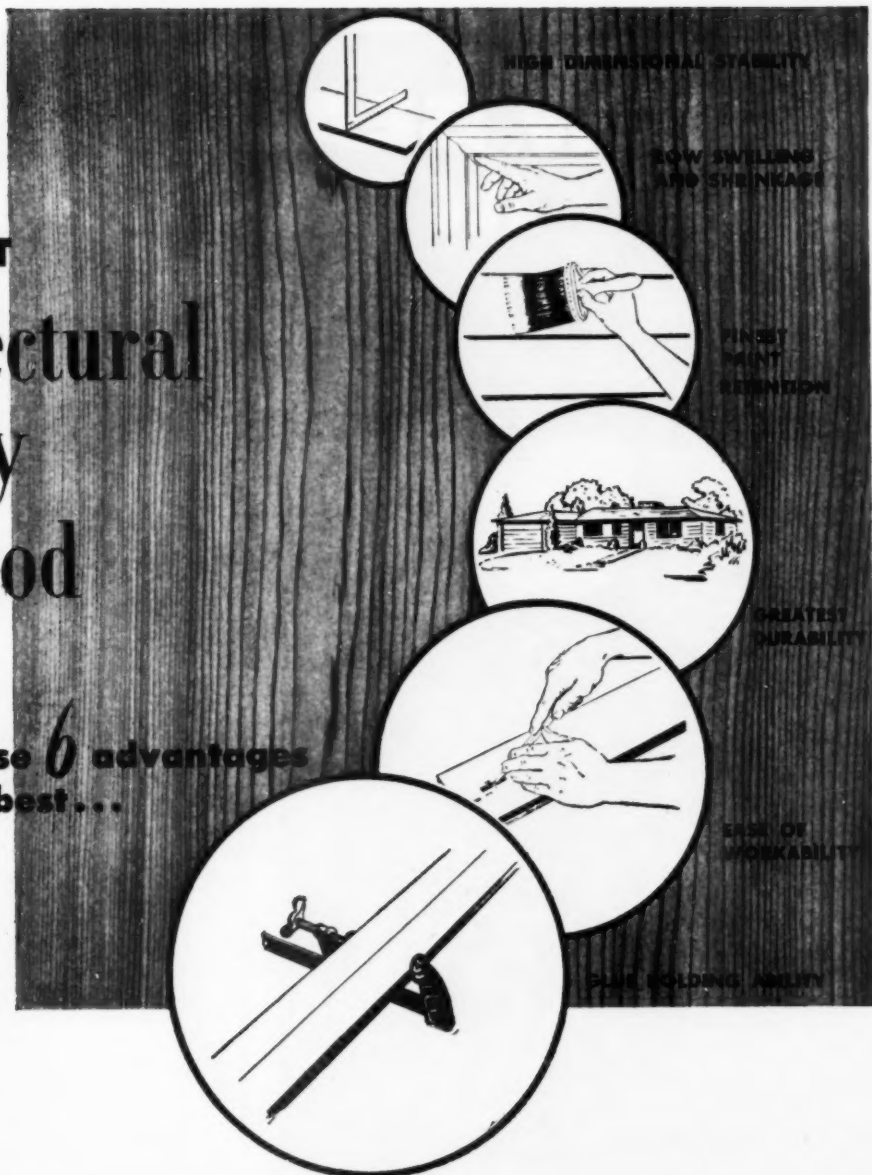


AB14167—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 268—ELECTRIC HEATING UNIT—Electrend Products Corp., Dept. AB, St. Joseph, Mich. This forced air home heating system circulates heat by means of electricity. The unit is in a metal duct approximately seven feet high, eight inches wide and three and one-half inches deep. One or more ducts are mounted between the studding of the walls in each room. System is automatic, with a thermostat for each unit. There are two openings per unit. Air is drawn in at ceiling, heated and returned.

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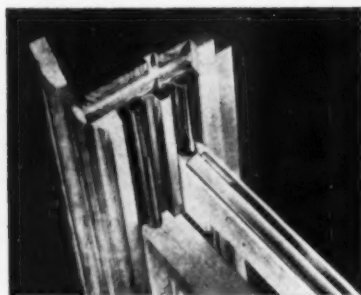
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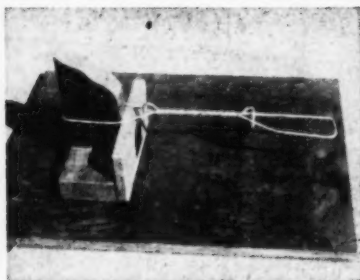
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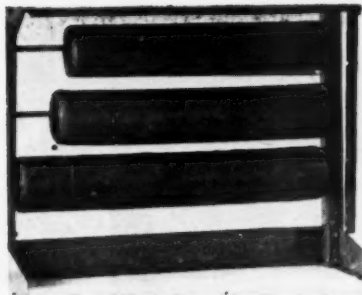
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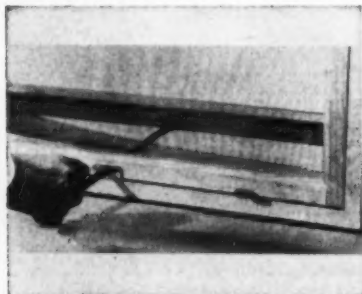
AB14070—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 11—SASH BALANCE—Zegers, Inc., Dept. AB, 8090 So. Chicago Ave., Chicago 17, Ill. New Si-Vel spring balance for wood windows has silent operation obtained through use of specially processed and coated counterbalanced springs. Manufacturer says that velvet-like finish baked on galvanized steel springs assures silent operation of wood windows. Used in connection with Duro-Seal, combination provides complete weatherstripping and silent window operation.



AB14059—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 3—CONCRETE FORM TIE—Gates & Sons, Inc., Dept. AB, 80 So. Galapago, Denver 19, Colo. New 2x4 Concrete Form Tie, made of No. 9 galvanized wire, has built-in spreader. Designed for sheathing and/or panels without use of hardware. Loops remain rigid, will not sag or bend when 2x4's are inserted. Tie can be used in forming all foundations, and for storage tanks and battered walls. Panels require no backing or reinforcing.



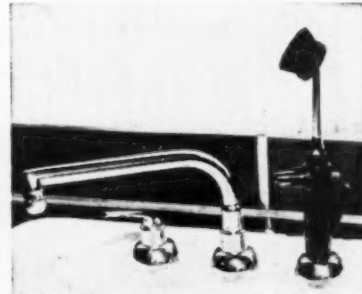
AB14340—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 59—SCREEN CLOTH—Lumite Division, Chicopee Mills, Inc., Dept. AB, 47 Worth St., New York 13, N. Y. A new Lumite dispenser rack which uses only 2x3 feet of floor space serves to cut, measure, dispense and display five different widths of Lumite Saran Screen Cloth: 26, 28, 30, 32 and 36 inches. Illustration shows lower half of dispenser rack with rolls of Lumite in place. A further demonstrator item shows customers the amazing strength of Lumite.



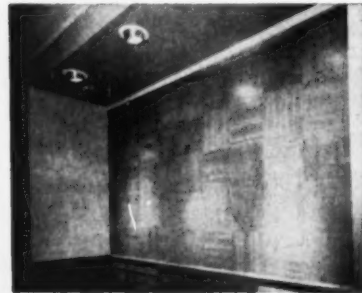
AB14290—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 113—WINDOW OPENER—Rolscreen Co., Dept. AB, Pella, Iowa. A new feature has been added to this company's low-cost Multi-Purpose windows. "Underscreen operators," designed to facilitate opening and closing, are now available at slight extra cost on six standard ventilating units. Multi-Purpose windows close by swinging the bar-type sash operator up against the bottom screen rail. A catch holds the operator in place, provides locking feature. Window opens when operator is at right angle.



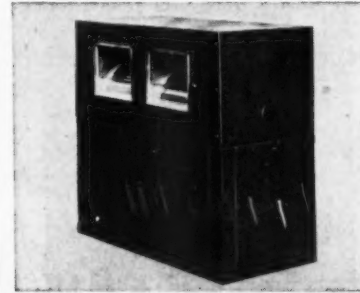
AB14256—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 434-435—TEXTURED PAINT—The Sherwin-Williams Co., Dept. AB, 101 Prospect Ave., Cleveland 1, Ohio. Texture Finish is a new latex-base, ready-mixed paint especially formulated for use on dry-wall construction, regular plaster and other interior surfaces. It is designed to solve finishing problems not uniform or not readily adapted to smooth finished work, and is available in seven pastel colors and white. Intermixes extend the color range. Finish produces many textures, depending on tool used.



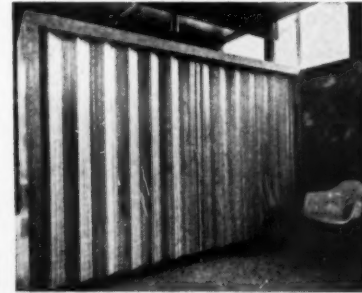
AB14289—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 362—MIXING FAUCET—Ravenna Metal Products Corp., Dept. AB, 6518 Ravenna Ave., Seattle 5, Wash. The detergent spray model, No. 32CDS, is the latest addition to this line. Like all Moen Single Handed mixing faucets, this new unit has one handle which does the work of two. The user can pre-select the temperature before turning the water on, and then use only the volume desired. All moving parts are of stainless steel and there are no screw threads or compression washers.



AB14171—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 200—PLYWOOD PANELS—Roddis Plywood Corp., Dept. AB, 1155 Palmetto St., Marshfield, Wis. Plywood panel squares have been designed for application over existing walls or in new construction. Called Parquetwall, the panels are made of 16x16 inch squares that have been tongued, grooved, glued together and assembled with the grain direction alternating in adjacent squares. They are recommended for around-the-fireplace application, one wall or for ceiling treatments. Panels available in mahogany, birch or walnut.



AB14166—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 118-119—AIR CONDITIONER—Airtemp Division, Chrysler Corp., Dept. AB, 1600 Webster Ave., Dayton 1, Ohio. Small enough to fit in attics, utility rooms or in sub-floor crawl spaces and large enough to cool average homes containing up to six or eight rooms, the Chrysler Airtemp is an air-cooled residential air conditioner. No water and no water piping are required. Outside air is drawn through the unit to cool the refrigerant. Home air is drawn through the cooling unit, dehumidified and cooled and sent through furnace ducts.



AB14211—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 237-238—FOLDING DOORS—The Hough Shade Corp., Dept. AB, 1044 Jackson St., Janesville, Wis. The "Ra-Tox" doors are made of a sliced-slat, stain-finished wood fabric in a wide selection of colors chosen to conform to current decorating trends, including dawn white, nut brown, autumn gray, harbor blue and Dutch yellow, in addition to the almond (natural) stain finish. Several improvements in the regular lacquer-finished doors are introduced. New, narrower warp spacing reinforces bottom of each door.

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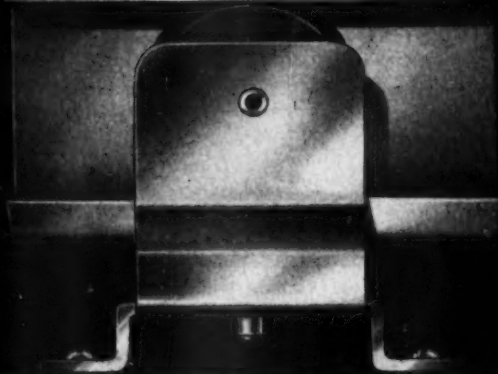
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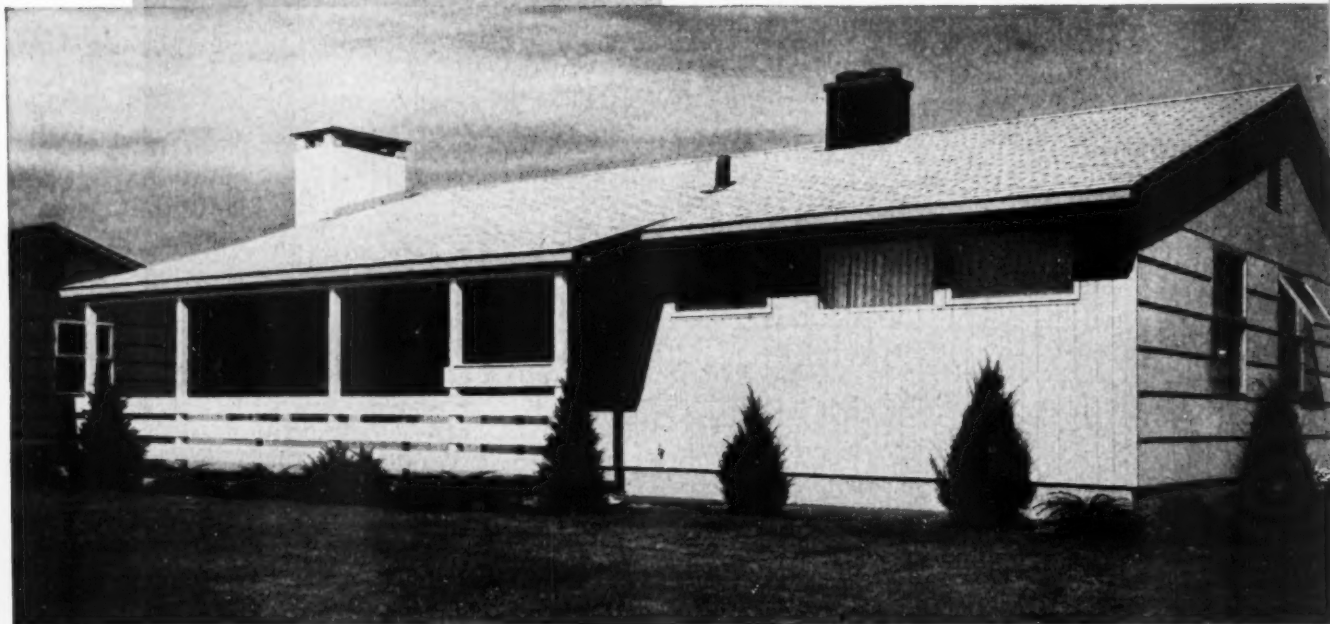


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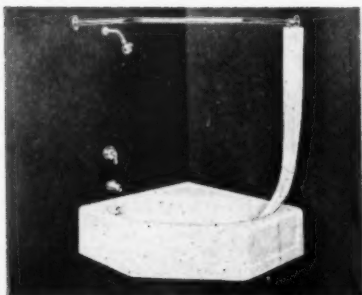
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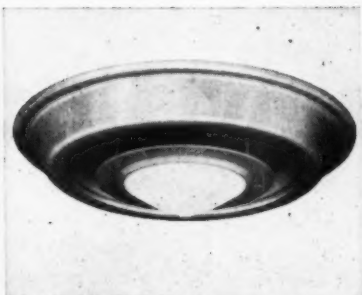
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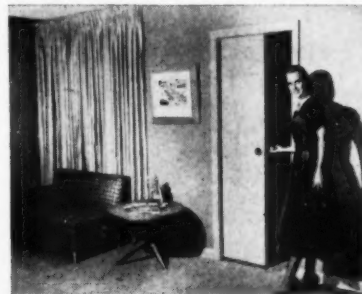
AB14336—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 426—OVERHEAD AIR DIFFUSER—Connor Engineering Corp., Dept. AB, Shelter Rock Lane, Danbury, Conn. New "Kno-Draft" unit is type KH-L which combines a lighting fixture with a residential air diffuser. Unit has simple, rugged construction, permitting fast, easy installation. At the Connor booth, actual air handling tests will be made under supervision of trained engineers. Display will feature a model home with miniature ductwork and diffusers in operation.



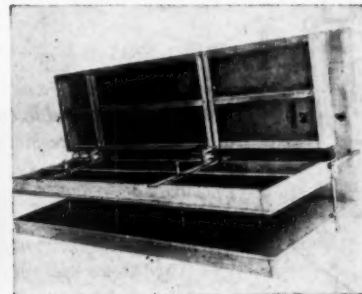
AB14062—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 128—GYPSUM WALLBOARD—United States Gypsum Co., Dept. AB, 300 W. Adams St., Chicago, Ill. Panel Sheetrock is 3/8-inch thick, 16 inches wide, and 8, 9 and 10 feet long. Eight-foot panel weighs approximately 16 lbs. For both new construction and remodeling. No nail-heads or joints to conceal. Comes in plain panel with calendered manila paper suitable for any decoration; knotty pine panel, simulating color and grain of wood; predecorated striated panel.



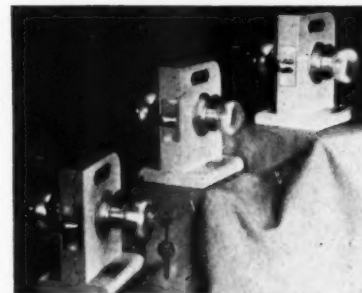
AB14280—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 459—PORTABLE ELECTRIC HEATER—Electro-mode Corp., Dept. AB, 45 Crouch St., Rochester 3, N. Y. This heater for small rooms features a built-in thermostat with adjustable range from 55 to 85 degrees and has a patented cast-aluminum heating element with no exposed wires or glowing coils. This heating element is guaranteed for five years. An automatic safety switch prevents overheating. Heater is finished in silver gray hammer-tone, is equipped with a 6-foot heavy duty cord.



AB14276—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 181-182—SLIDING CLOSET DOOR—American Welding & Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Warren, Ohio. The Easi-Bild storage closet pattern, sold by the Easi-Bild Pattern Co., is designed to use the steel sliding doors made by American Welding. The closet pattern carries an order blank explaining that the steel doors can be obtained from any American Welding dealer or by writing to the company itself. Easi-Bild patterns are now on sale through some 8,000 hardware, lumber and power tool dealers.



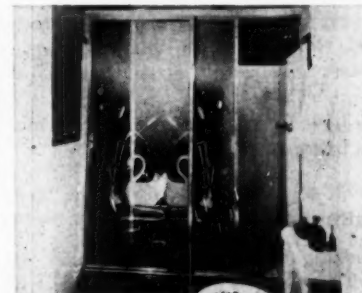
AB14255—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 319—CONCRETE FORMS—Roform Corp., Dept. AB, 15160 W. Eight Mile Road, Detroit 35, Mich. A new Round Corner Form for inside basement walls, requires no fillers or forming lumber, is quickly clamped to starting panel. Closing panel is easily placed in position against extending corner form flange and firmly locked in place even though 1/2 to 3 inch space remains between closing panel and corner. Metal spreaders are a part of the Corner Filler Form. Corner clamp makes stripping easy.



AB14127—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 25-26; SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 432—TUBULAR LOCKS—The Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 405 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y. New major line of pin tumbler, key-in-knob, push button type lock is now marketed as the Fairfield Design 5200 tubular series. This lock is designed expressly for the mass housing market where installation costs are a major factor. Lock can be installed in three easy steps through the use of the special Yale boring jig and the quick assembly of units. Locksets are solid brass or aluminum.



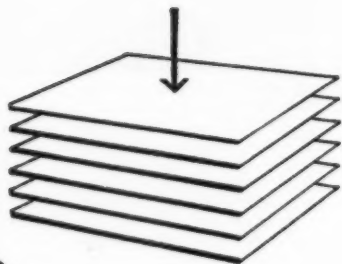
AB14294—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 329—AIR CONDITIONER—Typhoon Air Conditioning Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 794 Union St., Brooklyn 15, N. Y. Residential year-round air conditioner is available in 2-ton and 3-ton cooling capacities. It is designed for top discharge and has a heating input of 100,000 Btu/hr., using gas for fuel. This model occupies floor space of only about 5 square feet and is also available for use with an air-cooled condenser. Other Typhoon units for heating and cooling include counterflow models for use with either gas or oil.



AB14152—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 453-454—SHOWER DOORS—Shower Door Co. of America, Inc., Dept. AB, 973 Peachtree St., N.E., Atlanta 5, Ga. Double Rollaway Permalume shower door unit extends closed from wall to wall, separates the entire shower end from rest of bathroom. Eliminates extra studing, framing, plastering and tile walls necessary in building a wall-and-door type of enclosure. Also eliminated is need for skylight, window, or dome to light the stall, as shower stall has the same daylight intensity as the rest of the bathroom.

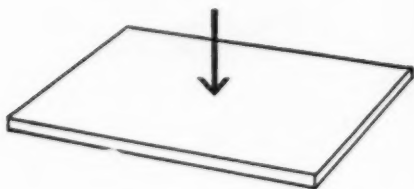
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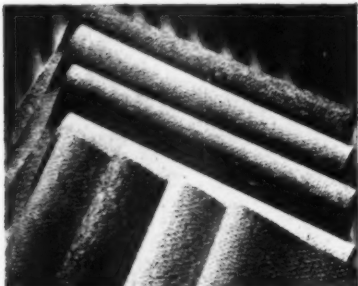
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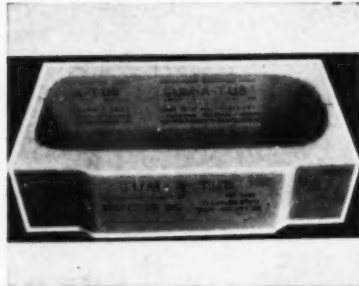
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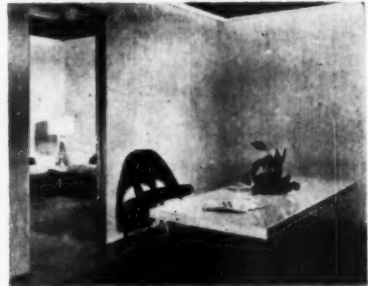
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AB14053—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 164-165—VINYL PLASTIC FACED FOLDING DOORS—Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind. Foldoar now available with new tweed-textured patterns in fabrics of cloth-supported vinyl-plastic material by DuPont. Eight two-tone fabrics have appearance and feel of drapery. These low sheen products passed stringent New York and Boston flame-resistant tests, are scuff and tear resistant. Folder is available.



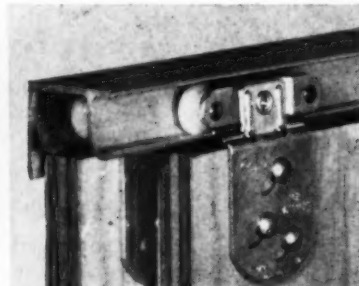
AB14018—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 433—BATHTUB PROTECTOR—Protectub, Inc., Dept. AB, 71 Ludlow St., New York 2, N.Y. Corrugated paperboard liner fits into and around the outside of tub forming an economical shock resister. Choice of sizes is available for all makes of tubs. Liners are made in two pieces, one fitting inside the tub, other over the seat and front panel; two pieces are held in place by a strip of adhesive tape. Tub is still in new condition after the liner is removed.



AB14221—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 196-197—PLASTIC LAMINATE—Woodall Industries, Inc., Dept. AB, 3500 Oakton St., Skokie, Ill. Lamidall is a decorative plastic laminate, a durable material for walls, ceilings and top surfaces. It features a hard, smooth surface with a structurally tough 1/4-inch Tempered Presdwood base. Panels come in sizes up to 4x12 feet in a selection of wood grains, colors and patterns. The material will not crack, chip or peel; it resists heat, stains and hard blows.



AB14288—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 272—ARCHITECTURAL RENDERINGS—Qvale & Associates, Dept. AB, 2525 W. 7th St., Los Angeles 5, Calif. This group has been serving builders and architects for over seven years with renderings of homes, schools, factories, theaters. They also make scale models, color reproductions and supply photographic talent. Builders can send floor plans and elevations to the group by mail and in about two weeks receive finished renderings matted, lettered and ready to display.



AB14291—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 235-236—SLIDING DOOR HANGER—Sterling Hardware Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 2345 W. Nelson St., Chicago 18, Ill. This is Sterling's No. 620 hanger for 3/4-in. wardrobe doors. Some of its features: apron conceals track and hangers; door stop prevents pinched fingers; no track on the floor; only one inch of headroom required for installation; hangers are adjustable; guide strips eliminate the grooving of the bottom of the doors. The hardware is used with standard frames and opening heights.



AB14212—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 265—CONTEMPORARY HOME—Scholz Homes, Inc., Dept. AB, 3128 W. Lincolnshire Blvd., Toledo, Ohio. California Contemporary homes in a complete new line of designs for 1954 are now available to builders. The line offers a wide range of price and size classification, from small two- and three-bedroom units designed to sell in the \$10,000 range up to \$30,000 ranch homes; major emphasis is placed on three-bedroom, two-bath homes designed to sell in the \$15,000 range.



AB14132—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 336—SHAKE SIDEWALL—The Perma Products Co., Dept. AB, 5455 Broadway, Cleveland 27, Ohio. A preassembled unit combines cedar shingles and insulation backer-board, designed to meet the trade's demand for sidewalls that are easier and faster to apply. The new patented units save 70 per cent in application time. The "Shakertown Glumac unit" consists of a deep-grooved, factory-stained cedar shingle outcourse which is electronically bonded to a waterproofed impregnated backer-board.



AB14064—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 70-71—METAL CASEMENT TRIM—The Steelcraft Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Blue Ash Rd., Rossmahe, Ohio. Duo Trim is a complete inside-outside trim for metal casements. Includes window sill, window stool, inside molding, outside trim, the fins and flashing. Bondarized with a baked-on protective coat. Quickly installed with hammer and nails. Shipped knocked down in four pieces, and assembled by interlocking tabs. Comes in all standard casement sizes, can be used on all types of wall.



AB14002—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 142-143—ALUMINUM SCREEN—New York Wire Cloth Co., Dept. AB, 63 Park St., New Canaan, Conn. The "Durall" aluminum tension screen is designed to eliminate heavy side frames. A flick of the side clamps at the screen's bottom allows it to swing freely, giving access to the pane. Top of screen has aluminum bars which attach to the top blind stop for securing or removing screen. Bottom bar has two side clamp rests which engage clamps on the side blind stops to assure snug screen fit. Screening has reinforced edge.

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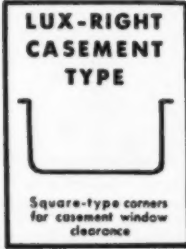


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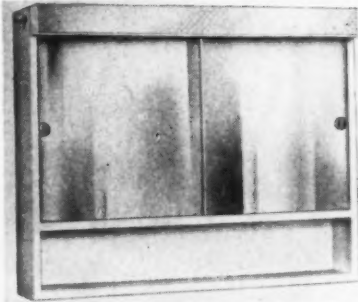
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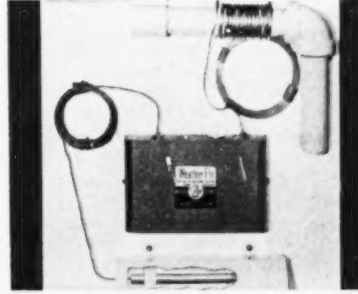
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AB14073—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 21-22
—BATHROOM CABINET—The Philip Carey Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Cincinnati 15, Ohio. New Duette provides access through two mirror-faced sliding doors that operate in metal channel for smoothness. Stainless steel toothbrush racks and twin razor blade chutes. Interior baked white enamel, glass shelves. Mirrors plate glass, copper protected. Two sizes, Custom 38 9/16x 23 5/16x 5 3/16, for recessed installation. De Luxe is wider, deeper, wall-hung or recessed.



AB14006—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 66-67
—OAK BLOCK FLOORING—E. L. Bruce Co., Dept. AB, Memphis 1, Tenn. This new laminated block is prefinished—that is, sanded finished and waxed—at the factory, producing a surface that is said not to scratch, chip or peel like a standard finish. Blocks are nine inches square and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick. Three plies, all oak, give equalized stress. Blocks are laminated under heat and pressure with moisture-resistant glue. Mastic grooves are provided in back of each block. Tongues and grooves are on two opposite sides.

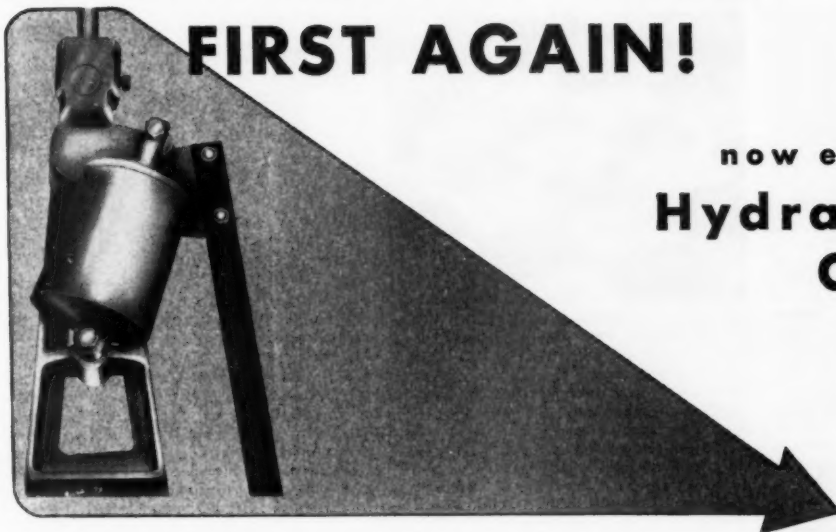


AB14151—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 304
—ROOM THERMOSTAT—Automatic Devices Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 714 Hillgrove Ave., Western Springs, Ill. Weather-Flo Regulators inaugurate a new principle of control. They effect constant heat flow, modulated to outdoor weather requirements with automatic compensation for excesses of solar radiation, windage, heat of cooking, etc. Designed to supply constant winter-conditioned heat to corners of rooms in small and large homes, save fuel, reduce dirt circulation, increase relative humidity, produce warmer floors.

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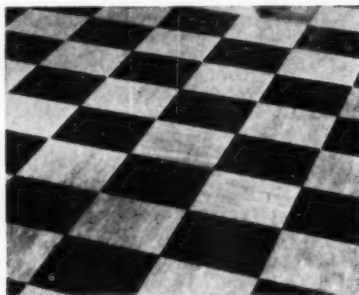
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AB14342—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 289—ALUMINUM SCREEN—Rudiger-Long Co., Dept. AB, Berkeley 10, Calif. Three different types of window screens shown: the Tension-Tite aluminum screen for double-hung wood windows emphasizes a detachable guide bar which speeds inside installation; the Type TC screen has all-aluminum finish for aluminum or steel casements or bronze lacquer for steel casements; the Roll-Away screen for insulated panel awning windows rolls out of sight if window is closed.



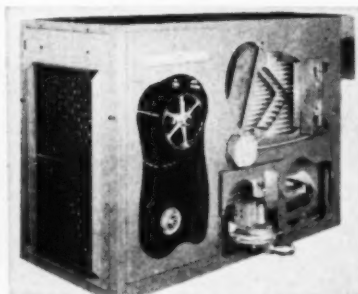
AB14330—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 272—VINYL FLOOR TILE—The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Dept. AB, Akron 16, Ohio. Good-year Vinyltile, factory polished for a lifetime lustre, requires no waxing and can be installed quickly and economically. Tile will not crack or break after repeated bending and flexing. Made of 100 per cent all-vinyl construction, this flooring is said to hold its shape and wear longer; its resiliency gives it fast recovery from denting. Made in 12 marbled and 12 solid colors.



AB14065—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 27-28—COUNTER TOP CEMENT—Armstrong Cork Co., Dept. AB, Lancaster, Pa. Armstrong's Type A Counter-Top Cement is for rapid installation of plastic laminates to counters, sinks and other surfaces. Requires no clamps, presses, heavy weights or long curing. Is a tan, liquid, air-drying adhesive with synthetic rubber base. Provides permanent bond to plywood, steel, aluminum and composition bases. 120-180 sq. ft. per gallon. Dries 25 to 60 minutes.



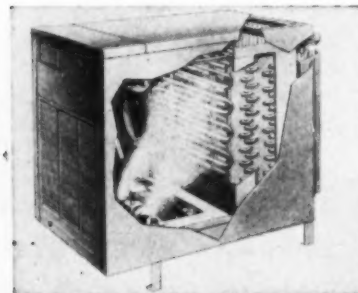
AB14015—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 33-34—FOLDING DOORS—New Castle Products, Dept. AB, New Castle, Ind. "Spacemaster" folding door has a lightweight frame since it is designed for door and closet openings only. Unit is supplied as a complete package and can be erected in less than ten minutes time with only eight screws. Door is said to be ideal for large-scale builder in filling standard size door and closet openings. It offers the smaller builder a selling extra at less per door opening than conventional-type door.



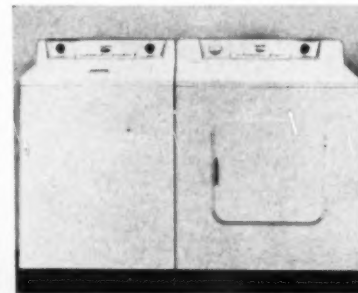
AB14297—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 97 to 100; 110 to 112—HEATING UNIT—General Electric Co., Air Conditioning Div., Dept. AB, Bloomfield, N. J. Cutaway shows G-E's horizontal gas furnace, a compact and economical unit for attic, basement, crawl space or utility room in houses where floor space is at a premium. It is equipped with the new ribbon-type burners and rubber-mounted blowers, and is designed to operate with G-E Air-Wall heating system. Unit is A.G.A. approved and UL listed.



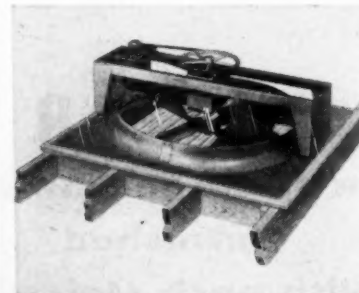
AB14282—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 467—OAK PANELING—Higgins, Inc., Dept. AB, New Orleans, La. Higgins gnarled oak paneling can be ordered in 3-, 4-, 6- and 8-inch widths. Thickness is 3/8-in. and lengths are average. With no long panels to cut down, there are no overages which run up cost. The paneling is treated against rot and vermin and leaves the plant with a prefinishing, which does not prevent the buyer from further finishing the wood to any desired effect. A full line of baseboards, other trim available.



AB14278—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 44 to 48—EVAPORATIVE CONDENSER—The Coleman Co., Inc., Dept. AB, Wichita 1, Kas. This is the Aqua-Fog, a new type of evaporative condenser for reducing the operating cost of refrigeration and air conditioning systems. The new unit is said to cut water consumption about 97 per cent and to reduce electric power as much as 25 per cent by maintaining normal head pressure at the condenser. It may be installed indoors or out. The unit is 40 3/8-in. long, 23 3/8-in. wide and 31 3/4-in. high.



AB14162—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 321—WASHER-DRYER—Thor Corp., Dept. AB, 2115 So. 54th St., Cicero, Ill. New automatic washers and dryers have been designed as look-a-likes to carry out design harmony, with white baked enamel finish on cabinets and grey on recessed base. Washer has an automatic fill controlled by the left-hand dial. Right-hand dial controls washing time, rinsing and drying cycle. Any phase can be repeated or eliminated. Single dial operation is featured on clothes dryers. Dryers operate on gas or electricity.



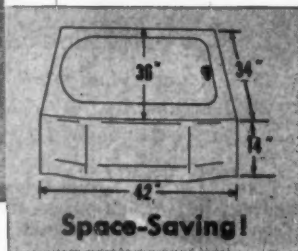
AB14133—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 301—ATTIC FAN—Viking Air Conditioning Corp., Dept. AB, 5601 Walworth Ave., Cleveland 2, Ohio. The "600" attic fans are engineered to cut installation costs in half. They can be quickly installed by one man. No complicated framings, special construction or seals are needed. The "600" fan is mounted on resilient rubber cushion blocks to deaden the vibration noise in the house. The "600" series fans are made with 30-, 36-, or 42-inch blades that have free air delivery of 7,000, 9,100 and 13,000 c.f.m.

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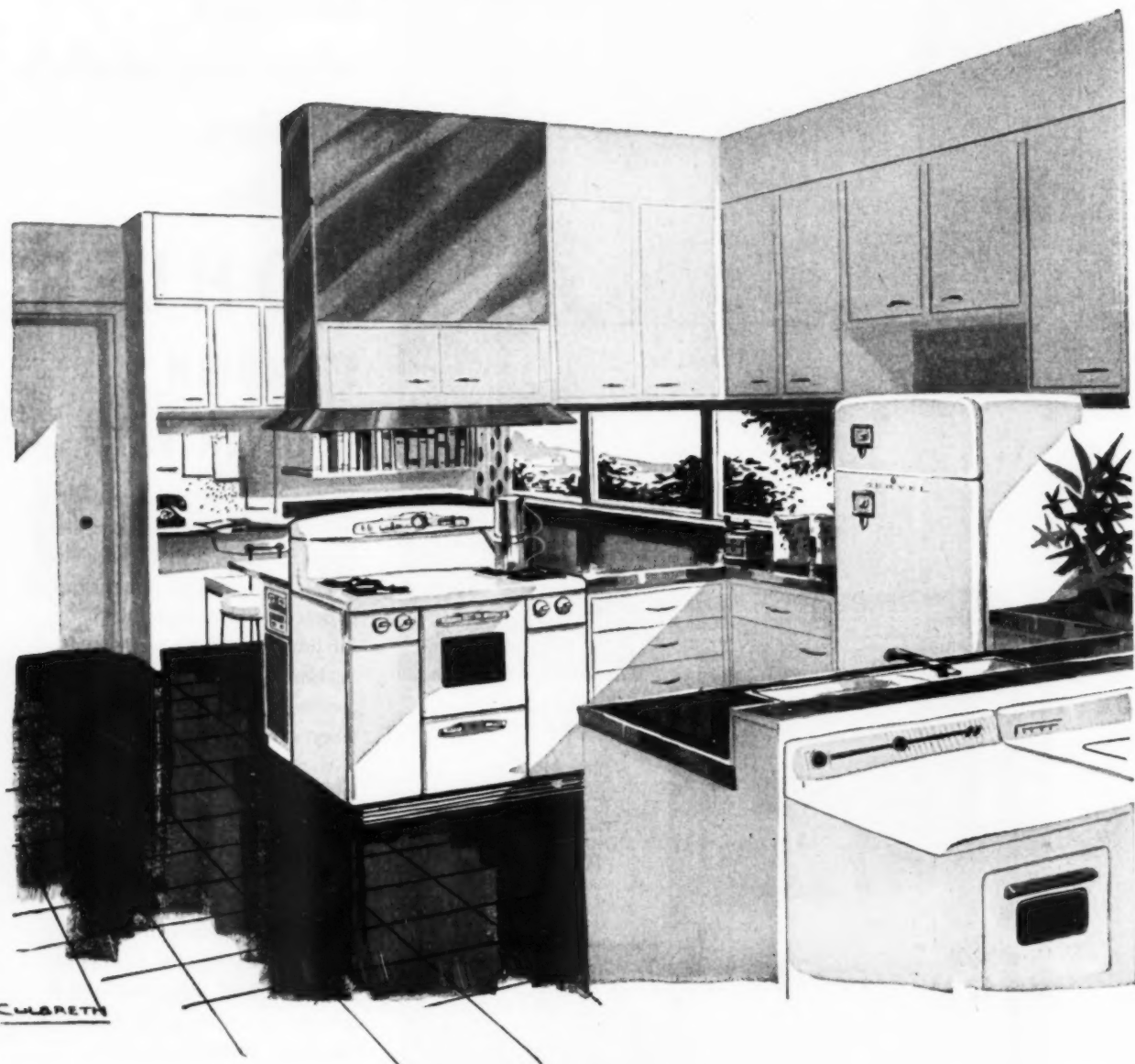
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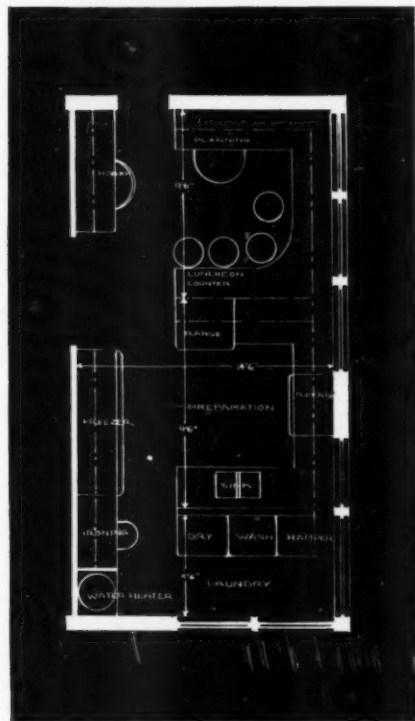
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Don't miss the New Freedom Gas Kitchens and Laundries in the Normandie Lounge of the Conrad Hilton at the NAHB Convention, Jan. 17-21.

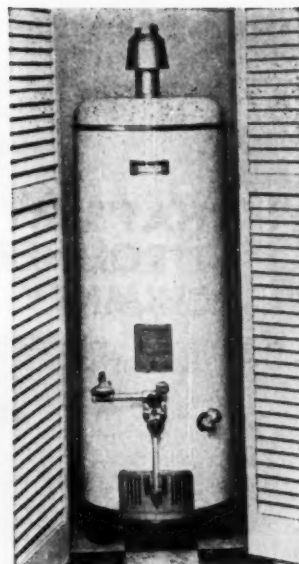
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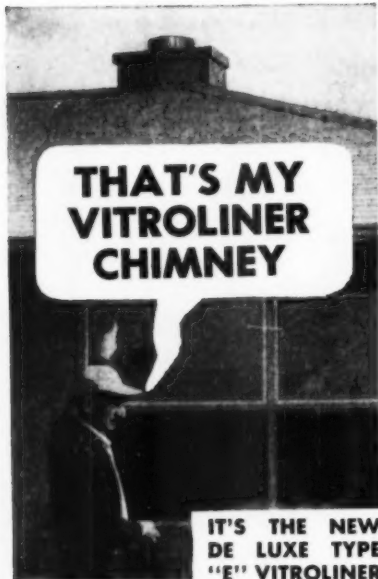
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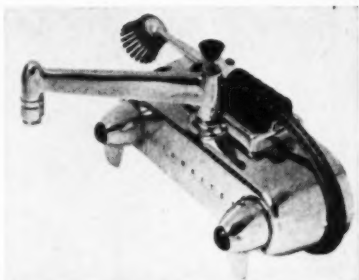
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AB14052—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 58—FAUCET DISHWASHER—Gerity-Michigan Corp., Dept. AB, 10 So. Superior St., Toledo 4, Ohio. Dishmaster is a sink faucet and dishwasher. Fits wall or deck sinks. Washes dishes, glasses, pots and pans. Fill detergent tank with water and one teaspoonful detergent. Adjust for desired water temperature. Diverter valve supplies clear water. Push button on spray handle supplies suds. Interchangeable sprayer, wire brush and nylon brush are features.



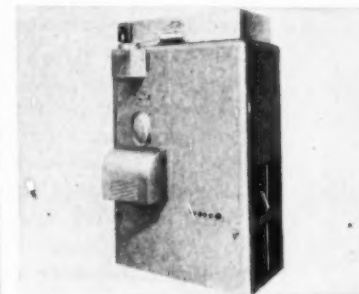
AB14017—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 316—CERAMIC-FACED TILE—Porcelain Enamel Products Corp., Dept. AB, Rehoboth, Mass. "Veas" porcelain tile is stated to be an improved ceramic-faced tile with a steel core. It is guaranteed for life against cracking or crazing. Its patented method of installation over a scored foundation permits its erection by any skilled tradesman. Matching porcelain on cast iron bathroom fixtures completes the line. Tile is available in ten colors and in a complete line of shapes.



AB14413—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 302-303—BUILDERS FRAMES—Builders Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 1514 Brown-Marx Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. Wedged head steel door frames are easily assembled in two minutes with only a hammer and screwdriver. The assembler simply places the corners of the head and jamb sections together and fastens them by driving steel wedges attached to the frame into place. Frames are made from 18-gauge steel. Tabs and wedge locks assure tight, snug fit of mitered corners.



AB14153—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 420—FABRIC WALL COVERING—Standard Coated Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 67 W. 44th St., New York 18, N. Y. The SuperSanitas line of washable coated fabric wall coverings includes solid colors, textures and weaves and a variety of patterns. The new line is the first to benefit from the installation of modern coating and surface printing equipment. New latex coatings give smoother and more flexible surface that seals colors, guarantees washability and resistance to abuse. Cut 24 inches wide.



AB14027—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 166 to 169—AIR CONDITIONER—Frigidaire Division, General Motors Corp., Dept. AB, 300 Markham St., Dayton 1, Ohio. Gas or oil can be used as fuel for this unit which combines both heating and cooling. Heat is provided by a forced-air furnace. Burner mechanisms are non-clogging. Heating capacity with oil is 75,000 Btu's per hour, and with gas, 90,000 Btu's per hour. Summer cooling and dehumidification are provided by an automatic electric refrigeration system.



AB14287—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 65—RUBBER-BASE PAINT—Pratt & Lambert, Inc., Dept. AB, 75 Tonawanda St., Buffalo 7, N. Y. Alkatite is a new synthetic rubber-base cement and stucco paint. Alkali-resistant, it dries rapidly with a uniform flat finish and was developed to meet the need for an exterior masonry coating which provides maximum resistance to color change and protection against the destructive action of alkali and moisture. Alkatite's uniformity of color and adherence is rated as excellent on asbestos-cement shingles.

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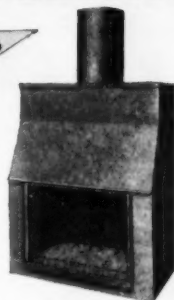
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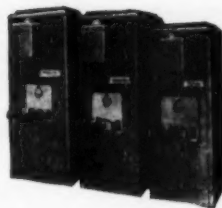
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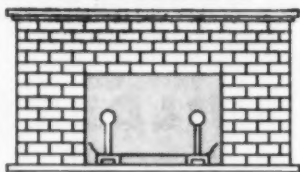
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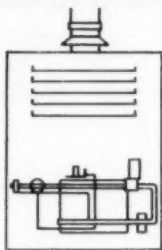


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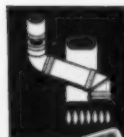
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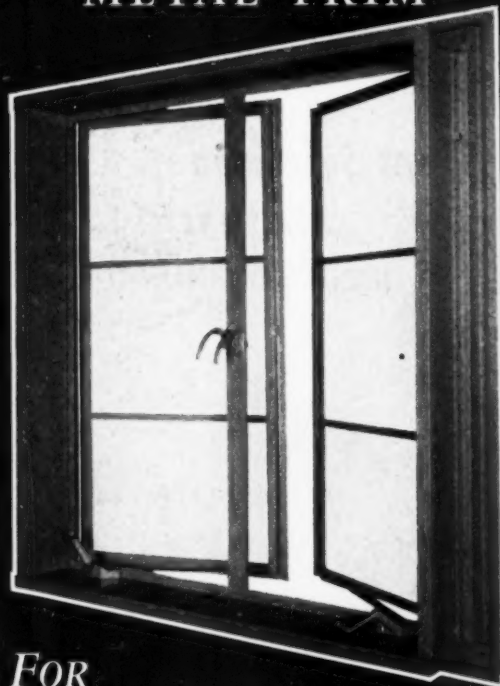
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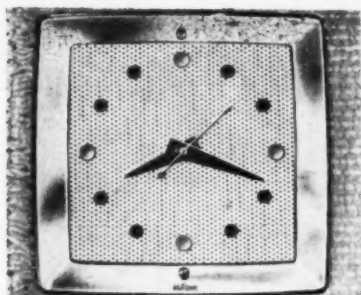
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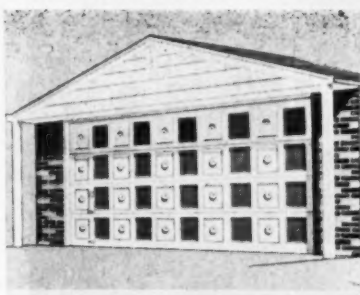
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AB14219—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 62—GARAGE DOOR—Crawford Door Co., Dept. AB, 20263 Hoover Road, Detroit 5, Mich. Customized Design accessories have been introduced in response to builders' demands for new means of creating individuality in the garage door without incurring the expense of a custom-built unit. Accessories consist of a series of decorative rosettes, shadow moldings and false louvers which are applied to the panels, and, if desired, to stiles and rails in the case of the moldings, of any Crawford door.



AB14173—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 210—COPPER FLASHING—The Sisalkraft Co., Dept. AB, 205 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago 6, Ill. Copper armored Sisalkraft has been in short supply for many years due to government restrictions. Now, however, it is back on the market and available for prompt delivery, its manufacturers say. The product is a concealed flashing material which provides pure copper protection when used as recommended. It is available in three weights: one, two and three ounces of copper per square foot.



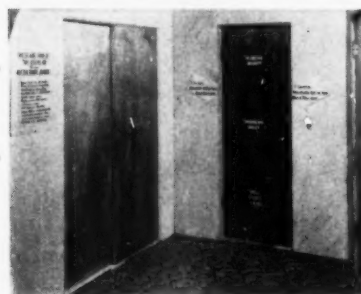
AB14159—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 201—PREFABRICATED HOME—Modern Homes Corp., Dept. AB, 7744 Greenfield Rd., Dearborn, Mich. Complete line of 14 architect-designed, factory-assembled homes has been announced for sale exclusively to qualified builders. The three-bedroom, 58x26-foot Capri home is typical of the 1954 line. This home has many quality features, such as the L-shaped corner fireplace, vanity lavatories in both the bathroom and master bedroom, Thermopane windows and $\frac{3}{4}$ x10-inch redwood siding.



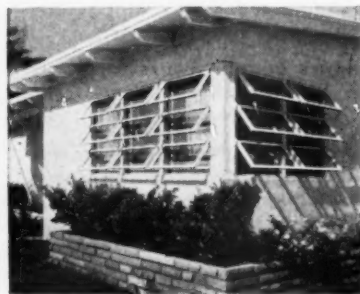
AB14224—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 97 to 100; 110-111-112 — UNDER-COUNTER DISHWASHER—General Electric Co., Major Appliance Div., Dept. AB, 310 W. Liberty St., Louisville 2, Ky. This unit features an open-center upper rack that permits loading of both upper and lower racks at the same time. It is a top-loading, front-opening unit that can be installed under new or existing countertops. Conversion set includes caster base assembly, cord set, inlet and drain hose. Unit can repeat, skip or interrupt any stage in cycle.



AB14214—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 440—VENETIAN BLINDS—The Columbia Mills, Inc., Dept. AB, 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Available in steel and aluminum, both types come with enclosed headbox, precision filter, automatic stop with center release and with an optional snap stop which holds the blinds stationary at any height. An improved bottom rail with plastic end-caps offers neat appearance and sturdy wear. Two-inch steel slats, slightly curved for strength, have been rustproofed and bonderized.



AB14351—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 419—METAL DOOR JAMB—Trimco Metal Products, Dept. AB, 1051 Hodiament Ave., St. Louis 12, Mo. This device expedites accurate installation of doors; in four simple steps, jamb may be installed in houses of either wet wall or dry wall construction. The door is left as is; the opening is adjusted to fit the door, due to simplicity of handling of metal jamb. Unit is constructed with 360 plaster lock holes which lock plaster to the jamb. Adjustable strike plate assures better fit.



AB14160—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 55-56—AWNING WINDOW—Gate City Sash & Door Co., Dept. AB, 15 S. W. Third Ave., Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Manufactured in sizes to fit any normal opening, these wood awning windows can be installed in all types of construction. Designed as all-weather windows, they open wide to admit every breeze for summer comfort because they provide 100 per cent ventilation control, rain or shine. Weatherstripping, tight closure and insulation of sash insure cold weather protection.



AB14202—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 327—TEXTURED PLANK—Wood Conversion Co., Dept. AB, 1st National Bank Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn. New green-textured plank illustrated on room wall above is an addition to the Nu-Wood insulating interior finish line. It is predecorated in a shade of green selected for wide consumer appeal by a leading color expert. Surface has a rich texture both in appearance and touch. Plank is suitable for home and commercial construction. It is available in 12-inch widths, eight and ten feet long.

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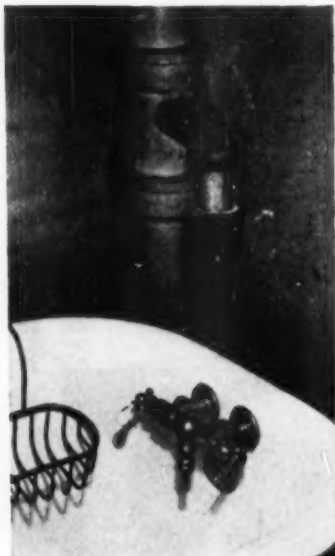
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AB14019—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 227-228—STEEL KITCHENS—Berger Mfg. Div. of Republic Steel Corp., Dept. AB, Canton, Ohio. A total of 68 cabinet sizes and styles with a complete line of accessories combines solid construction and good design. Base, wall and sink cabinets include such features as floating drawer action through use of nylon glides, new insulation made of an asphalt-asbestos coating inside drawer heads and doors, new "Perma-Finish" enamel, wall cabinets without door handles, new stainless steel trim.



AB14058—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 247—FIBER DUCT—Sonoco Products Co., Dept. AB, Hartsville, S. C. Sonoairduct-XP designed for use in crawl, basement or attic space with gas or oil-fired warm-air systems as supply or return line. Lined with aluminum foil and wrapped with 16-lb. asbestos on outer surface. Supports 200-lb. man without crushing. Diameters 2 to 36 inches. Lengths up to 24 ft., or 48 ft. on special order. Can be sawed on job to exact lengths. Fiber is laminated.

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Always on the lookout for features that will sell houses faster, builders are closely following the two new trends in housing—all-year air conditioning and sound conditioning. People long have wanted homes with year-round "controlled climate." More recently, they have become interested in controlling noise in their homes. At the Builders Show in Chicago, Armstrong shows how two important building materials can help you sell houses.

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It costs from 300% to 500% more to take heat out of a house than to put it in. That's why an insulating sheathing like Armstrong's Temlok has a prominent place with builders planning air-conditioned homes. Walls of Temlok sharply reduce heat penetration, thereby cutting the load on air-conditioning equipment. Temlok often permits the use of a smaller unit. Yet, Temlok costs less to use than wood sheathing.

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For detailed information, see the Armstrong display at the National Home Builders Show in Chicago or write Armstrong Cork Company, 3501 Rider Avenue, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.



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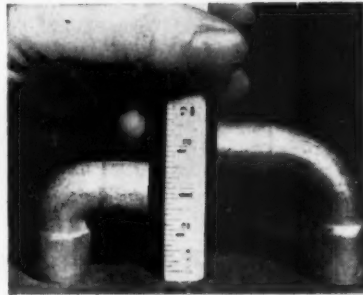
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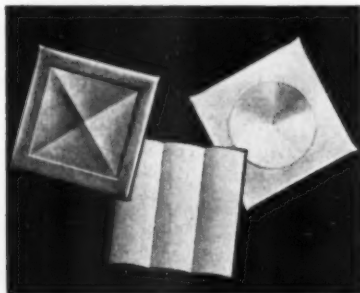
AB14344—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 320—CUSTOM-BUILT KITCHENS—St. Charles Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, St. Charles, Ill. All kitchens designed by this company are custom-built to fit the space in which they will be installed, so kitchen at the show will differ from the one shown above. Eleven colors, white and natural birch exteriors, with unusual accessories and special purpose units are available. Later include divider unit with doors on both sides, tall cupboard with sliding shelves, one-piece sink top.



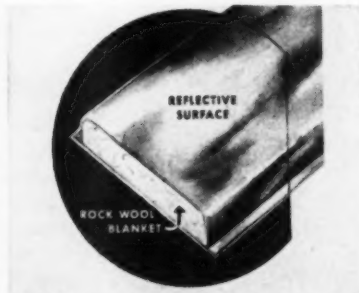
AB14327—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 449—PREFABRICATED HOME—W. G. Best Factory Built Homes, Inc., Dept. AB, Effingham, Ill. The "Ft. Wayne," modern low-line design, two-bedroom home has an attached garage. Structure has overall length of 60 feet. Home itself is 24x38 feet; a 12x24 garage and connecting 10x20-foot room account for the additional frontage. House has double hung windows, 2x4 studs, 16 inches o.c., with two courses of red cedar shingles applied to outside. Forced air heat, Kentile floors in kitchen.



AB14335—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 68-69—COPPER ELBOW—Chase Brass & Copper Co., Dept. AB, Waterbury 20, Conn. New short radius wrought copper elbow saves space compared with the old style elbow pictured on the right. Compact design and very short radius of new fitting will allow it to fit into confined spaces for easier installation. Due to its compactness, the fitting is readily heated for soldering, resulting in faster installation. Now available in 1/2-inch size; other sizes from 3/4-inch to 2 inches to follow.



AB14265—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 463—WALL TILE—Franklin Plastics, Inc., Dept. AB, Franklin, Pa. A new plastic wall tile can now be purchased in three designs: Wave, Halo and Crystal, to create decorative effects in kitchens, bathrooms, play rooms, lounges, powder rooms, business establishments, bars, window displays and office buildings. Designs can be used as feature strips, for whole walls or with Franklin's standard tile. The new Shadowtile comes in standard 4 1/4"x4 1/4" squares in many decorator colors.



AB14271—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 4—BLANKET INSULATION—The Celotex Corp., Dept. AB, 120 So. La Salle St., Chicago 3, Ill. Two forms of insulation, plus vapor-barrier, are offered in one product—the new Celotex Reflective Blankets. The non-corrosive reflective surface placed on the side faced to outer wall sheathing or roof side of ceiling is designed to retard the flow of radiant heat. The enclosed layer of fireproof rock wool (about 2 inches thick) is designed to retard the flow of conductive heat.



AB14274—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 57—CEILING VENTILATOR—Pryne-Rittenhouse Sales Corp., Dept. AB, 142 No. Towne Ave., Pomona, Calif. Blo-Fan, a ceiling exhaust ventilator, has been improved so that it is now even more efficient and quieter in operation, its manufacturers say. The new design permits the forming of a one-piece blade that attains perfect balance and minimizes noise. Blo-Fan offers a 9-position control which assures operation at the exact speed required by the degree of air pollution.



AB14261—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 80-81-82—BUILT-IN LAVATORY—Briggs Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 3001 Miller Ave., Detroit 11, Mich. A new flat-rim vitreous china lavatory for building-in, suitable for either tile or composition top counter installations in bathrooms and powder rooms has been introduced. It measures 22x18 inches, has twin concealed front overflows, a wide anti-splash rim, twin soap spaces, and a wide ledge extending around bowl, and slant-back fitting. Available in four pastel colors as well as white.



AB14333—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 152; 158 to 163—AUTOMATIC LAUNDRY UNIT—Appliance and Electronics Division, AVCO Mfg. Corp., Dept. AB, Cincinnati 25, Ohio. Completely automatic washer and automatic dryer are designed for modern homes. Washer has flexible tub and super-agitator washing action; with floataway-flushaway draining, garments get deep water rising action. Dryer, either gas or electric, provides high airflow drying, enabling safe low heat to be used. Unit maintains safe temperatures, shuts itself off.



AB14352—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 147-148-149—MAHOGANY PANELS—United States Plywood Corp., Dept. AB, 55 W. 44th St., New York 36, N. Y. Plankweld Handuras mahogany panels, of three-ply balanced construction, are 1/4-inch thick, and come in six, seven and eight foot lengths, 16 1/4 inches wide. Edge-grooved for a neat lap joint, each panel is held firmly to the wall with a concealed metal clip, eliminating nailing through the face of the wood. Panels may be fastened directly to studs or to any nail holding surface.

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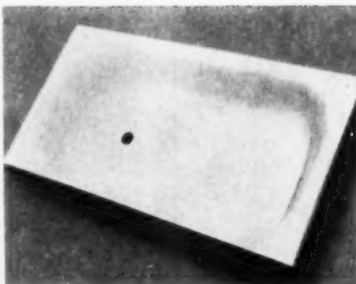


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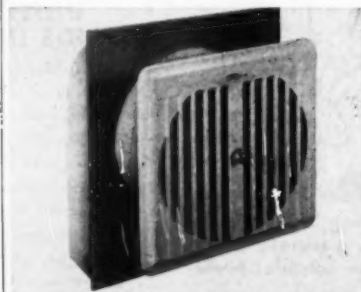
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AB14201—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 332-333—RADIANT HEATING PANEL—United States Rubber Co., Dept. AB, Rockefeller Center, New York 20, N. Y. Uskon electrical panels, 1/16-inch thick, can be cemented to ceiling like wallpaper. Panel consists of a sheet of conductive rubber that is the heating unit, sandwiched between layers of thin plastic and aluminum foil. Radiant heating for an entire house or a single room is possible. Panels weigh only six ounces per square foot. Number of panels determined by climate, insulation.



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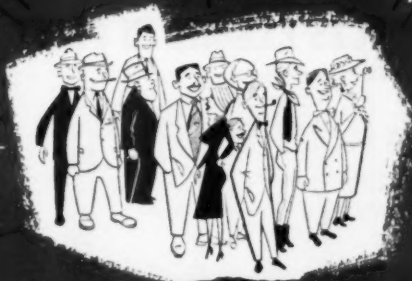
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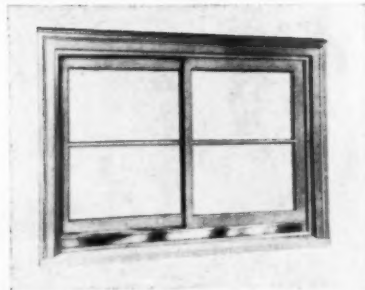
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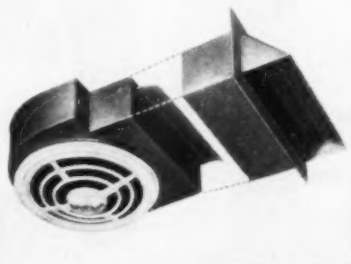
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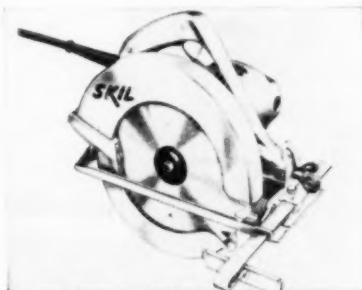
AB14329—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 282 to 285—AWNING WINDOW—General Bronze Corp., Alwintite Division, Dept. AB, Garden City, N. Y. This aluminum window provides a variety of interesting arrangements for living, bed, dining and recreation rooms. It is also suitable for apartments, institutions or commercial buildings. Manufacturer will also show a new aluminum sliding door; this unit has double-door sections which slide on rollers. It is designed for use between indoors and outdoors, such as in patio entrances.



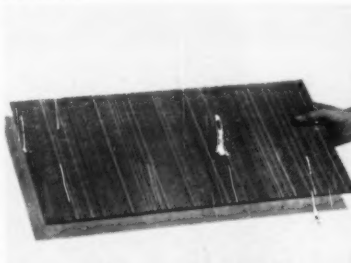
AB14241—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 404—HORIZONTAL WINDOW—The Malta Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Malta, Ohio. The Multi-A-Glide, sliding horizontal window, is designed to complement contemporary styling in residential architecture. It lends itself to use in picture window and light wall combinations and is especially adaptable for use in high ribbon windows in ranch-style homes, affording light and ventilation, while providing privacy and greater usable floor space area.



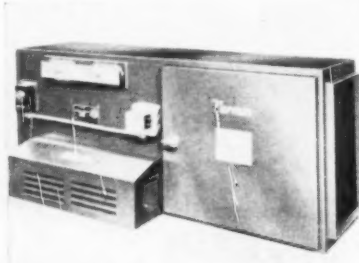
AB14072—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 354—KITCHEN FAN—Berns Mfg. Corp., Dept. AB, 3050 N. Rockwell St., Chicago, Ill. Berns Air King requires depth of only 3½ inches for mounting and 9½-inch ceiling opening. Uses standard 3¼-inch by 10-inch furnace pipe. Blower type pressure blade to maintain high air exhaust and cool motor. Grille is removable without tools by unscrewing center grille knob. Delivers 400 cfm. Comes in white enamel or chrome finish. Three-speed control switch also available.



AB14021—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 23-24—PORTABLE SAW—Skil Corporation, Dept. AB, 5033 Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill. This 8½-inch builder's saw features a universal motor, ball and needle roller bearing construction, overhead-type handle for one-hand control, built-in rip fence and an automatic telescoping blade guard with retracting handle. Upper blade guard directs sawdust away from operator, keeping line of cut clean. Saw is adjustable for depth of cut from 1½ to 2½ inches; for bevel cutting to 45 degrees.



AB14285—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 17—SIDING SHINGLE—National Gypsum Co., Dept. AB, 325 Delaware Ave., Buffalo 2, N. Y. The Gold Bond Chroma-Tex siding shingle comes in five colors and is protected by the Gold Bond Surfaseal, a transparent coating which protects shingles from staining, soiling and moisture. The deep grain of the shingle gives it a two-tone effect, dark in the valleys and lighter on the ridges. Made of asbestos and cement, shingles are fireproof. Colors include green, brown, coral, gray and ivory.



AB14126—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 338A—GAS FURNACE—Norman Products Co., Dept. AB, 1150 Chesapeake Ave., Columbus, Ohio. The Southerner, new horizontal gas furnace for space heating, is ideal for central heating of small individual buildings. Horizontal construction makes possible its installation in crawl spaces, on basement ceilings or in the attic. The unit's compactness permits ducts to be laid out economically. The Southerner is 23" wide, 21½" long and 55" high. Ratings range from 52,000 to 112,000 Btu's per hour.

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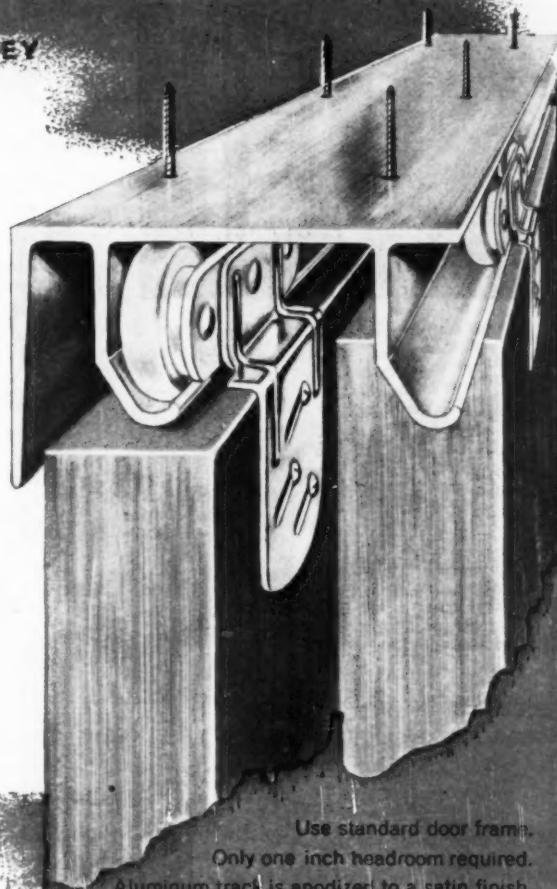
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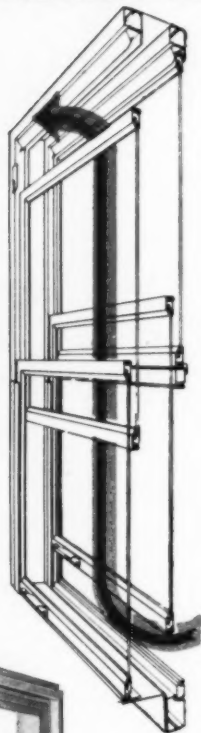
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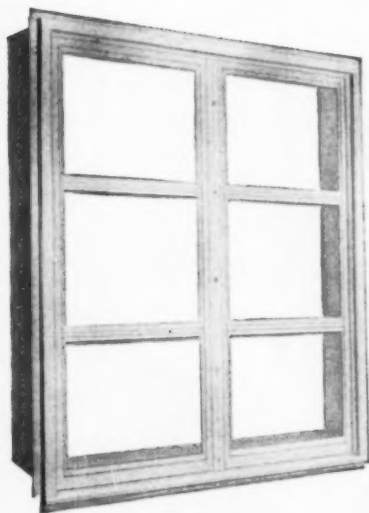
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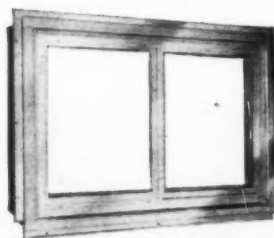
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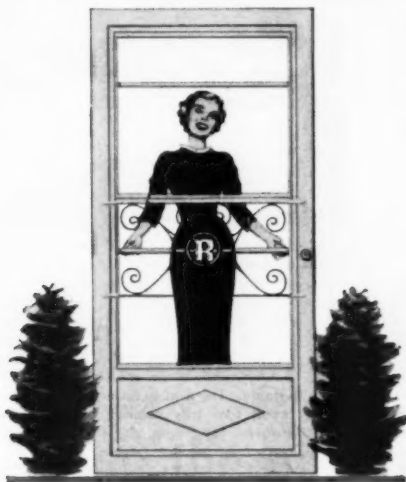
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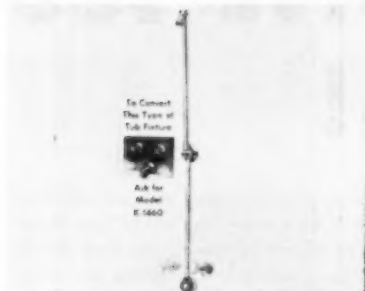
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AB14353—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 431—SHOWER FIXTURES—Milwaukee Flush Valve Co., Dept. AB, 301 E. Reservoir Ave., Milwaukee 12, Wis. Illustrated fixture is designed to convert an over-rim tub filler into a modern fixture with no necessity for remodeling or alterations. The shower arm on these fixtures can be raised and lowered to any position; for filling the tub, the arm is swung straight down, the showerhead turned and the water turned on. Several fixtures are designed for remodeling.



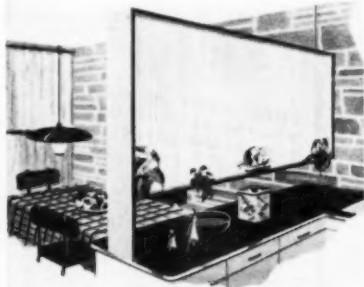
AB14056—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 276-277—INTERLOCKING WINDOWS—Solar Air-Fla, Inc., Dept. AB, Goshen, Ind. Totem line is ponderosa pine, Solar line is redwood. Solar has complete glass area and ventilating louvers in one frame. Wide range of sizes. Totem stacks to form new type load-bearing modular window wall. Glazed with Thermopane and packaged. Locking is with splines. Frames are louver ventilating, open for fixed glass, hopper-type, projected sash, or fitted panel.



AB14286—HILTON—BOOTH NO. 250—RANCH-TYPE HOUSE—Pease Woodwork Co., Dept. AB, 937 Forest Ave., Hamilton, Ohio. The air-conditioned "Airewood" is the latest plan in the Pease Homes line of prefabricated houses. This house contains 1,067 square feet of floor area. Kitchen features natural finish birch cabinets. By closing a Modernfold door, a portion of the living room is converted to a third bedroom. Modernfold closet doors are used throughout.



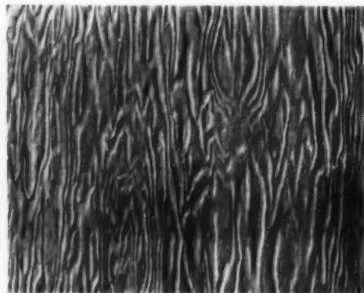
AB14010—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 344—AIR CONDITIONER—Delco Appliance Division, General Motors Corp., Dept. AB, Rochester 1, N.Y. This pressure-atomizing oil burner is composed of a 16-gauge, seam-welded heat transfer unit, stainless steel combustion chamber and heavy-duty steel cabinet. Unit provides complete winter air conditioning automatically by heating, humidifying and filtering air. Sensitive thermostat works in co-ordination with master and limit controls mounted on main cabinet.



AB14283—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 270-271—TRANSLUCENT PANELS—International Molded Plastics, Inc., Dept. AB, 4387 W. 35th St., Cleveland 9, Ohio. Structoglas shatterproof translucent polyester glass fiber building panel has many decorative uses. It is easily sawed and nailed and needs only light conventional framing. Standard moldings and closure strips are available. Precise match of corrugations in panels permits exact fitting to moldings and closures and with other corrugated materials.



AB14051—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 221-222—KITCHEN CABINETS—Lyon Metal Products, Inc., Dept. AB, Aurora, Ill. Lyon New Freedom Gas Kitchen features finger tip cabinets underneath the wall cabinets; an air control cabinet for filtering air in kitchen over the range; all doors pop open with a light tap. Corner doors swing in either direction. Shelves are adjustable. There are cutlery tray, cutting board, bread box, tray cabinet, towel cabinet, platter grooves, cup hooks, dry storage cabinet.



AB14206—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 266-267—TEXTURED PANELING—Georgia-Pacific Plywood Co., Dept. AB, 270 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Textured, highly grained wood wall paneling. Ripplewood, fits into various settings in the home, including entrance hallways, dining alcoves, bedrooms, modern or traditional living rooms. An unfinished attic can be made into a useful room at little cost with Ripplewood to finish the wall areas. Other design possibilities include styling for cabinets, chests, picture frames, etc.



AB14014—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 456—WALL TILE—The Mosaic Tile Co., Dept. AB, 1949 Pershing Ave., Zanesville, Ohio. Architects and builders can now give their home customers individualized bathrooms without high cost or special designing. By combining the manufacturer's Mosaic Formfree Tile (copyright 1951) with Mosaic Glazed Wall Tile as shown above, bathroom becomes less functionalized and more attractive. This clay tile is also adaptable to kitchen walls. Tile cleans easily, requires no paint.



AB14054—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 293-294—HARDWOOD CABINETS—The I-XL Furniture Co., Dept. AB, Goshen, Ind. High grade line of cabinets in natural grained wood or in white enamel includes such features as a one-piece sink and counter tops. Line is stated to be large and flexible enough to meet all requirements in kitchen planning. To commemorate its 100th anniversary, company developed the "Centennial Line." Firm pioneered in the kitchen cabinet field, has helped perfect modern custom kitchen.

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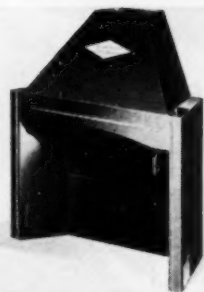
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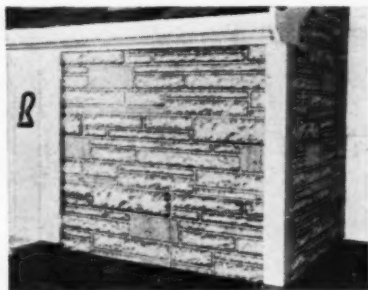
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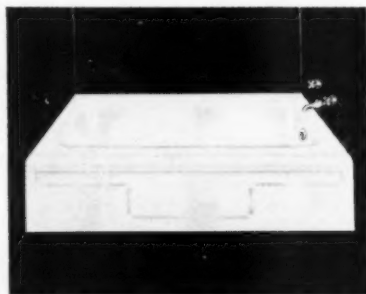
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AB14215—SHERMAN—BOOTH NOS. 348-349—FIREPLACE—Heatilator, Inc., Dept. AB, 6311 E. Brighton Ave., Syracuse 5, N. Y. This fireplace unit is a heavy-gauge steel form designed to simplify and assure correct construction, while increasing the efficiency of the open fireplace. All vital parts come fully assembled in the compact unit with only the decorative masonry needed to complete the installation. Construction guesswork is eliminated. Unit takes in coal air at floor level, heats it behind firebox, returns it to room.



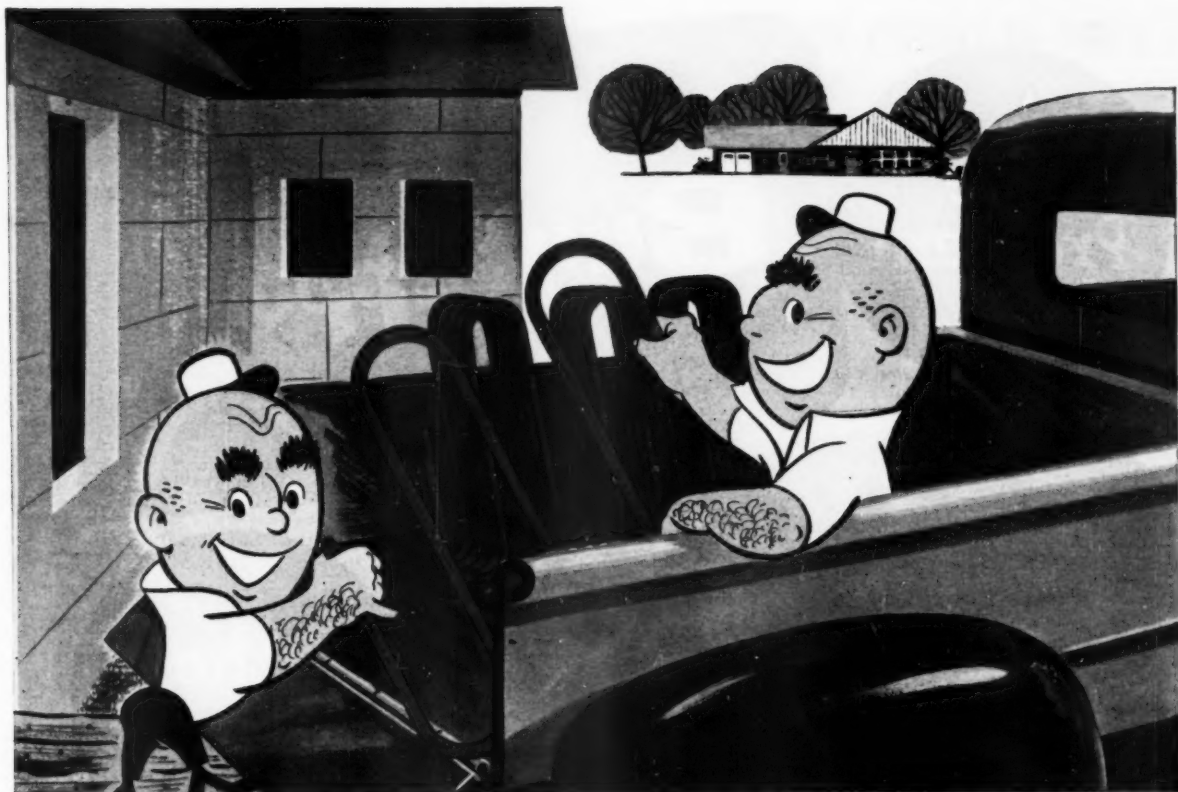
AB14161—SHERMAN—BOOTH NO. 372—INSULATING SIDING—Bird & Son, Inc., Dept. AB, East Walpole, Mass. A new type of insulating siding called Manor-Stone looks like real stone. Manufactured in panels, there are 16 different surface designs, each of which represents one of 16 actual hand-hewn stone designs. Each panel of Manor-Stone offers weather protection, providing insulation for the building. Each panel is also mildew proofed, heat proofed, termite proofed and saturated with asphalt.



AB14131—HILTON—BOOTH NOS. 198-199—RECESS BATHTUB—Alliance Ware, Inc., Dept. AB, Alliance, Ohio. A space saving tub especially for small bathrooms, extra bathrooms, or where the primary use is for a shower receptor. It is small enough and light enough in weight to be handled by one man. This tub is available in white and five colors—blue, pink, green, tan and gray. The bowl of tub differs in design in that both ends are squared off with rounded corners to permit greater usage of the tub area.

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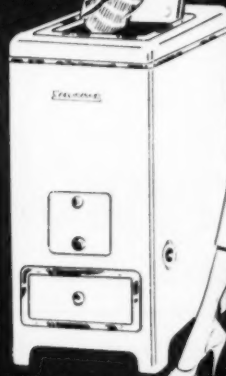
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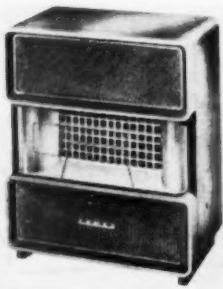
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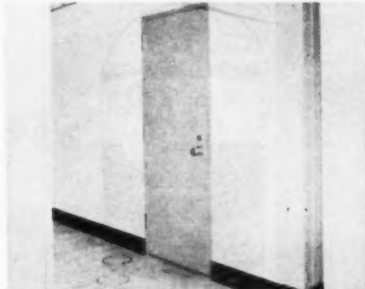
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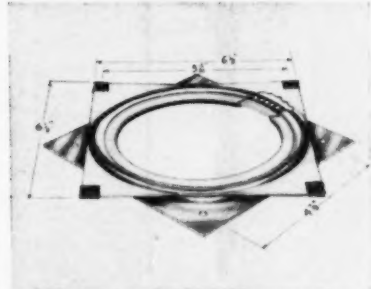
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AB14049—GAS HEATER—Temco, Inc., Dept. AB, 4104 Park Ave., Nashville 9, Tenn. Unvented gas room heaters range in sizes from 10,000 to 39,000 Btu's input. They operate on principle of controlled air circulation whereby cold air taken in lower grille is separated into three layers, two of them heated, the third cool, rendering cabinet safe to touch and surroundings. All models in smaller series designed for use with all types of gases. Conversion kit accompanies each heater.



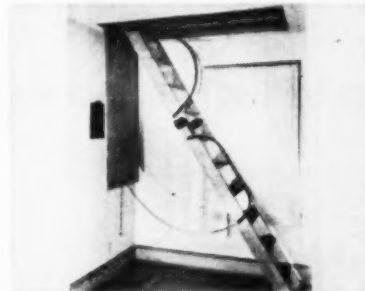
AB14187—HOLLOW METAL DOOR—United Steel Fabricators, Dept. AB, Wooster, Ohio. A line of 1 3/4-inch, heavy-duty "Commercial" hollow metal doors and frames has been introduced. Produced with a baked enamel or prime coat finish or in stainless steel, these doors are recommended for use in office buildings, hotels, public buildings and wherever heavy-duty service is required. Three styles furnished: full flush, with opening for glass, with stamped louvers or slot-type louvers.



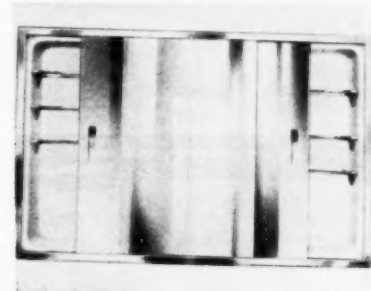
AB14356—MULTI-PURPOSE BEARING—Triangle Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Oshkosh, Wis. New 3-inch and 12-inch sizes of "Lazy Susan" bearings are now available for making turntables of all types, corner cupboards with revolving shelves, stool seats, etc. Only 5/16-inch thick, these bearings are made of steel or brass with stamped and interlocked sections to keep ball bearings locked in matched races to provide instant, effortless turning. Bearings have wide usage by builders and home craftsmen.



AB14387—GLASS JALOUSIES—Albritton Engineering Corp., Dept. AB, 2501 Wroxton Road, Houston 5, Texas. The Alenco jalousie has an extruded aluminum frame with a friction-free lifetime operating mechanism. Weather proofing at vane ends is achieved by a baffle system. The jalousie is available in assembled or knocked down units in 36 stock sizes. Dealer can convert stock size units into "specials" simply by use of a hack saw. Picture window-frames are available for use with jalousies, using a simple mulling system.



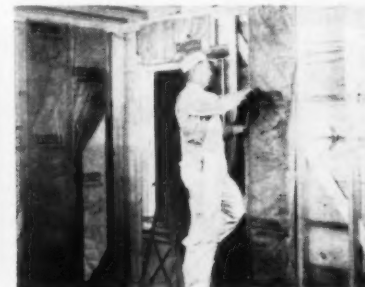
AB14319 — FOLDING STAIR—Foldaway Stairway Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 813 Seaboard St., Portsmouth, Va. The ceiling panel of this disappearing attic stair is 2'0" x 5'0" making possible an installation in a restricted area. The stair hinges at about the center and rotates upwardly on a shaft fixed into the well. This method is said to eliminate friction requiring a minimum effort to operate. The stairway is locked in the down position with an automatic locking device. It disappears completely into the attic leaving a finished panel on face of ceiling.



AB14397—BATHROOM CABINET—The F. H. Lawson Co., Dept. AB, Cincinnati 4, Ohio. The 2-in-1 slide door cabinet is equipped with six adjustable, bulb-edge glass shelves, resting on stainless steel adjustable shelf supports. Shelves can be arranged three on each side, two on one side and four on the other, or in other combinations; more than eight lineal feet of shelf space. Cabinets have one-piece seamless steel bodies, bonderized after forming, framed in polished stainless steel and two 15 3/4 x 19 inch mirrors.



AB14394—WINDOW WALL FRAMES—Fabrow Manufacturing, Inc., Dept. AB, 7208 Douglas Road, Toledo 13, Ohio. These frames, combining Roto-ventilated sash, completely weatherstripped and screened in one unit, are made in nine different sizes. They can be shipped knocked down for assembly on the job site. Frames are designed to accommodate 45 1/2 x 25 1/2-inch double-panel insulating glass, either Thermopane or Twindow, forming a window wall effective as corner windows, ribbon or picture windows.



AB14226—BLANKET INSULATION—Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Dept. AB, Toledo 1, Ohio. Fiberglas Roll Blanket insulation is enclosed in an envelope of vapor-barrier kraft paper on one side and perforated paper on the other, with flanges provided along the edges for nailing or stapling. Widths are 15, 19 and 23 inches; thicknesses of 1 1/2, 2 and 3 inches. Lengths are 30 to 80 feet. The material will not support combustion nor absorb moisture. Company also makes Fiberglas batts, pouring wool, perimeter insulation.



AB14317—SIMULATED BRICK—American Cement Products, Dept. AB, 15496 Livernois Ave., Detroit 38, Mich. The new Roman brick, like the standard size Quikbrik, are not individual bricks laid up one by one, but a new process of "spreading" brick over the wall. The brick is first crushed to a powder, mixed with improvers and a bonding agent and literally spread on the wall in a single unbroken sheet. Mortar lines are then cut into the surface in a continuation of the patented process and in a manner that looks exactly like ordinary brick.

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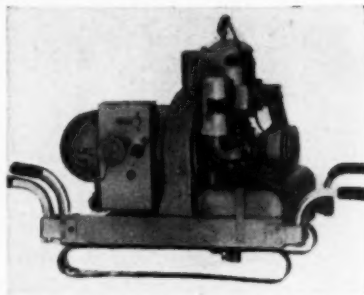
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AB14415—FRAMED DOOR—One-Der Frame Corp., Dept. AB, P.O. Box 3068, Birmingham, Ala. The "AllSet" door unit features easy installation. The frame, trim, wood door and hardware are all ready to nail into place quickly. The entire unit is supplied as one convenient package. For time-saving on-the-job assembly, the installer simply stands the partition in place, levels it and nails through stud clips. The frame is rigid and accurate, assuring smooth, trouble-free operation. Will not sag or bind.



AB14031—WOOD FINISH—Protection Products Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 2305 Superior St., Kalamazoo 99, Mich. This compound, called P.A.R., is a water-repellent finish for redwood, red cedar, Philippine mahogany and other woods of similar color characteristics. It is stated to protect wood against discoloration, weathering, grain raising, swelling, shrinking, checking and warping. The finish is said to renew and protect the appearance of redwood, giving it a non-glossy finish.



AB14309—PORTABLE GENERATOR—Home-lite Corp., Dept. AB, Port Chester, N. Y. Five kilowatt carryable generator will maintain a continuous load of 5,000 watts, single phase, 60 cycle alternating current at either 115 or 230 volts. Unit has power enough to start and operate such electric tools and equipment as electric saws, grinders, drills, or tampers in the construction and transportation fields, and for emergency lighting or standby power in municipalities. Has 115-volt a.c. convenience outlet.



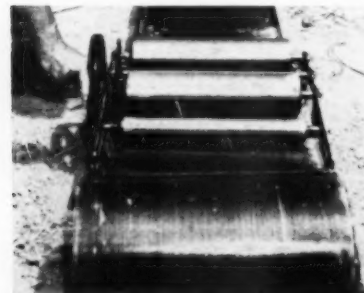
AB14304—ASBESTOS CUTTER—O. Pearson Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, P.O. Box 255, Lake Villa, Ill. Used for cutting $\frac{1}{4}$ "x4'x8' cement asbestos sheets; also convenient for use on asbestos roof and siding shingles. It is sturdily built; the cutting blade and wearing parts are of tempered steel. Simple to operate. Makes a clean and fast cut. Comes equipped with punch for shingles. Cutting can be done either horizontally or vertically by standing the panels on edge along a wall or flat on floor. Shingles may be marked by each edge.



AB14083—METAL TRIM—Hope's Windows, Inc., Dept. AB, Jamestown, N. Y. A combination inside-outside metal trim for Hope's steel casements in wood frame, brick veneer, masonry block or solid masonry types of construction. Advantages: it simplifies preparation of rough opening, is easy and fast to install, provides template for builder, is fireproof and vermin-proof, easy to maintain, shipped for assembly at site. Head and jamb members are 18-gauge steel, sill is 16-gauge. Members are formed in one piece.



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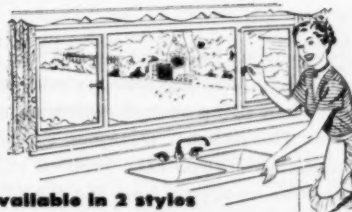
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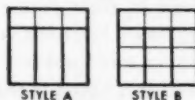
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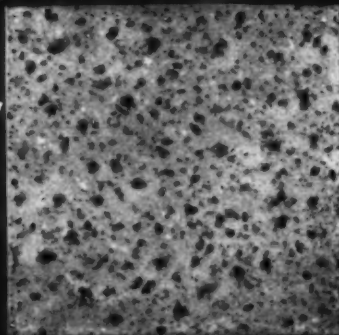
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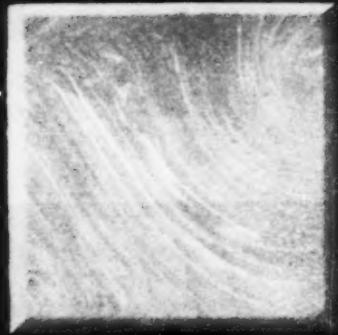
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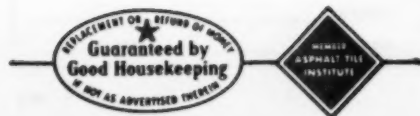


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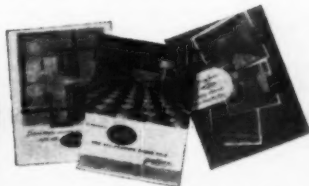
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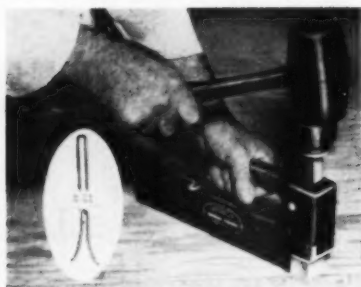
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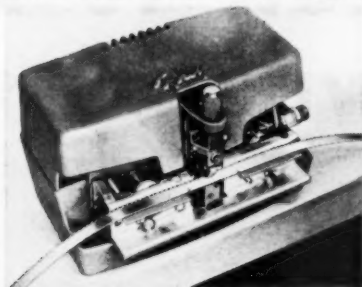
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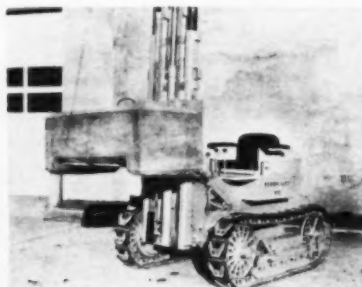
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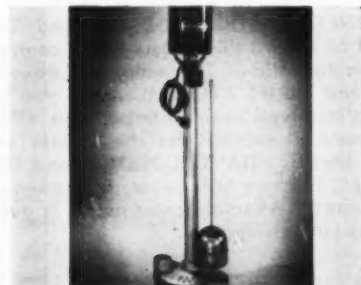
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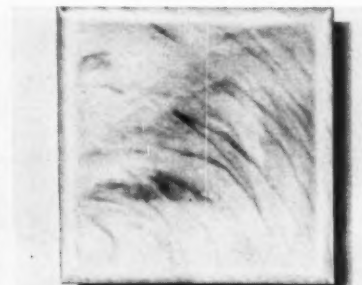
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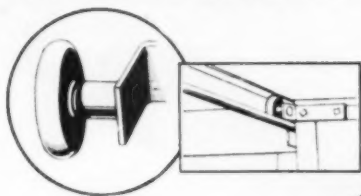
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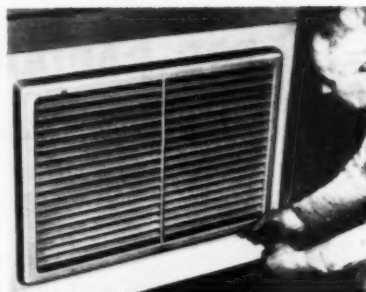
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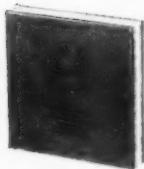
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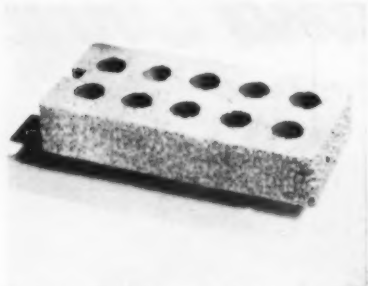
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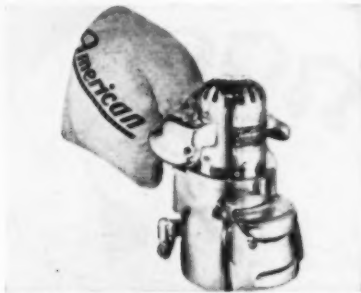
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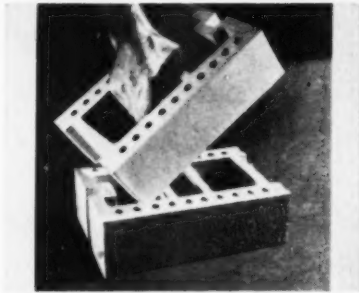
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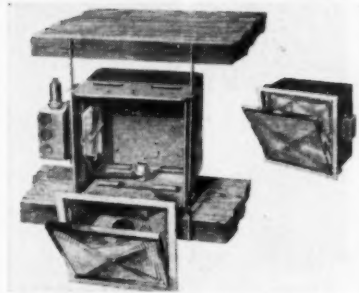
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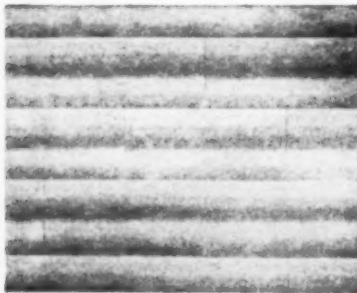
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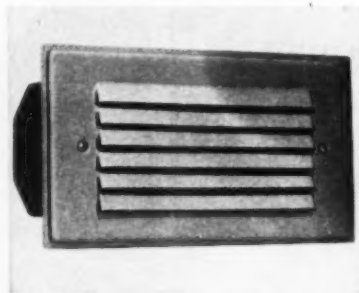
AB14404—FACING TILE—Natco Corp., Dept. AB, 327 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. New line of load-bearing facing tile is called "Uniwall." Tile is of vertical cell construction and is made of hard burned fire clay. It makes possible single-unit wall construction with finished facing, inside and out. Interior surface is ceramic glazed. The units are made with a jamb slot to receive the fin of a metal window or the blind stop extension of a wood window. Modular dimensions apply to all sizes.



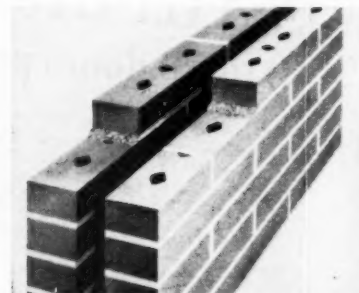
AB14047—RECESSED LIGHT—The Kirlin Co., Dept. AB, 3435 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit 7, Mich. Fixtures are made in six square, three rectangular sizes, for fluorescent or standard lamps. Models are for wide distribution of light or for concentrating beam of light. All units can be supplied with shock resistant glass or with top of box removable for relamping from above ceiling. Angular or egg-crate glass is available. All units have Underwriters Laboratory labels; no asbestos wire leads required.



AB14311 — SIDING SHINGLES — Suprador Corp. of New York, Dept. AB, 122 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N.Y. Preshrunk asbestos-cement siding shingles have a horizontal pattern of color which creates an illusion of extra size. Because of their pre-shading these shingles require no underscoring for shadow-line effect. They are non-grained, uniformly thick, easy to cut and non-warping. These shingles are available in three pastel shades. Company's complete line includes a wide range of color and in addition offers asbestos-cement shingles in pure white.



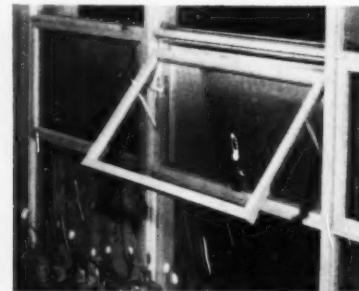
AB14246—DOOR CHIME—The Rittenhouse Co., Inc., Dept. AB, Honeoye Falls, N. Y. New line consists of unobtrusive, flush-in-wall chime units located at key locations in the home, with a single master controller and transformer in the basement. From two to five chimes, according to size of the home, are operated from one master controller. Different signals are provided for as many as three entrances. Controller automatically selects correct signal and synchronizes sounding of all chimes. Uses single wire circuit.



AB14392—MASONRY WALL UNIT—W. E. Dunn Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 418 W. 24th St., Holland, Mich. Cavitec is a modern aggregate and cement building material which provides a masonry wall unit of cavity-wall construction. Parallel withes, reinforced at equidistant points with metal ties, are spaced apart to enclose a blanket of air. A Cavitec wall provides further air insulation by self-containing a series of air columns the full wall height; wall requires no furring or lathing, but may be plastered direct.



AB14118—HORIZONTAL HEATER—Fedders-Quigan Corp., Heating Division, Dept. AB, Trenton 7, N. J. Sixteen models of unit heaters are manufactured ranging in capacity from 26,400 to 294,000 Btu's per hour. The heating element is made of copper tubing expanded into die-formed aluminum fins. Flanged holes in fins provide substantial metal-to-metal contact with tubing for maximum heat transfer. Louvers on the heater are adjustable to provide directional control of the heat vertically. Directional flow louvers are available for lateral control.



AB14125—PANEL WINDOW—Ohio Plate Glass Co., Dept. AB, 305 Morris St., Toledo 4, Ohio. Three basic units of these "Thermopanel" windows are said to provide unlimited variety in window arrangement. These range from horizontal strip types to the "walls of glass" which are becoming a feature in some new homes. Standard size Thermopane insulating glass is used. Outswinging vents may be placed where home owner chooses. Windows are made from kiln-dried Ponderosa pine; awning ventilators have aluminum weatherstripping.



AB14371—CONCRETE FORM COATING—Maxwell & Hitchcock Co., Dept. AB, 191 Simpson St., N.W., Atlanta, Ga. Tests have shown that concrete forms treated with "Form-Lac" last from 70 to 80 per cent longer than untreated forms. The coating costs amount to approximately one cent per square foot. Forms treated with this improved compound strip away from the concrete quickly and easily, leaving concrete so smooth that little rubbing is required. Form-Lac almost eliminates tendency of concrete sticking to forms.

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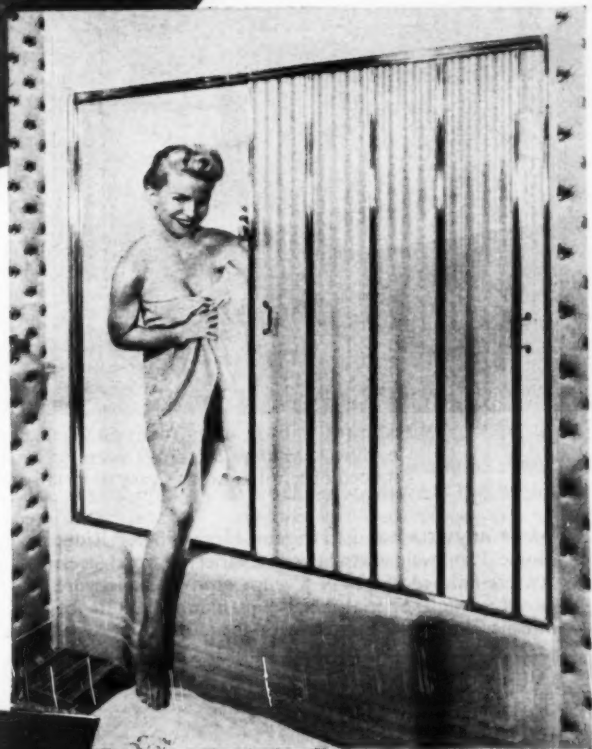
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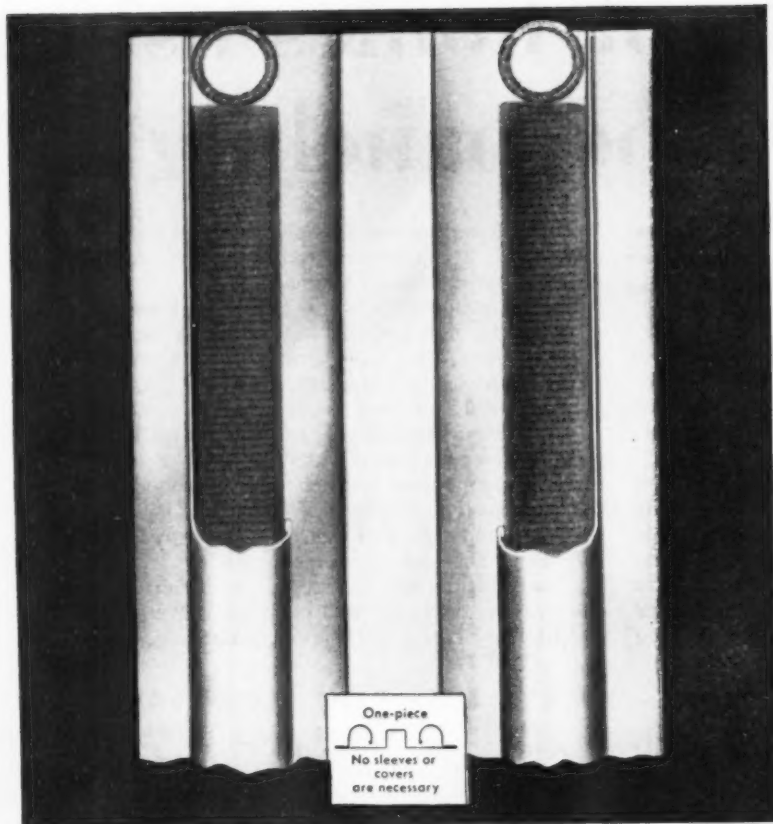
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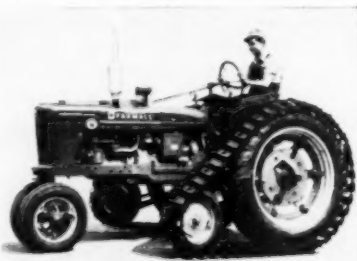
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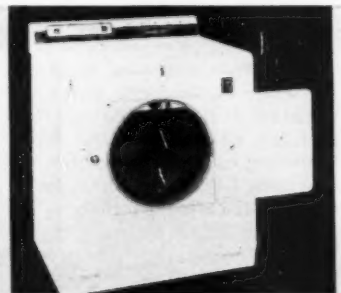
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AB14036—TRACTOR HALF-TRACK—Arps Corporation, Dept. AB, New Holstein, Wis. Half-tracks for such tractor manufacturers as International Harvester, Allis-Chalmers, John Deere and Oliver are furnished in both all-steel and rubber belted construction. The all-steel type is designed for use in normal soils; the rubber-belted is preferable in sandy, abrasive soils. These units are stated to provide good traction, greater flotation and more stability during building operations. Use all available tractor power.

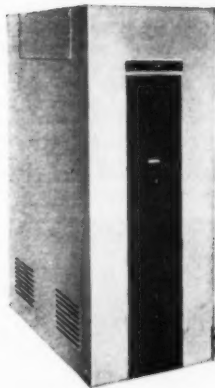


AB14199—HOT AIR DRYER—Norge Division, Borg-Warner Corp., Dept. AB, Chicago, Ill. This new dryer operates with room temperature air or heated air, with or without tumbling. The illuminated Time-Line control panel measures the drying periods up to two hours. The dryer also features a 29-in. diameter smooth cylinder, to cut down linting, wrinkling or wearing of the material; a 16-in. 180-degree door opening which allows loading with two hands. Dimensions are 36 in. high to working surface, 31 wide, and 26 3/4 deep.

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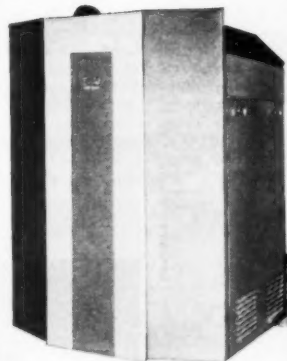
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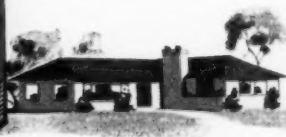
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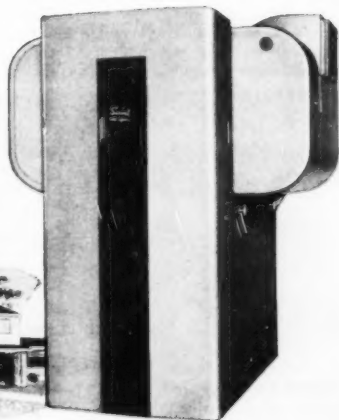


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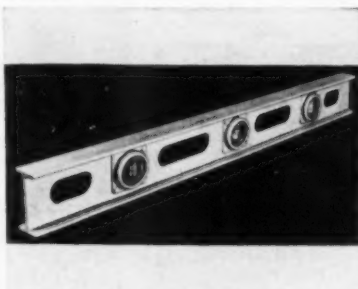
AB14232—SIDING TRIM—Macklanburg-Duncan Co., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 1197, Oklahoma City 1, Okla. Metal trimming for asbestos and other siding is a new line now being manufactured in a complete set of styles to take care of all types of trim necessities. The rust-proof trim is suitable for new construction or for re-siding existing buildings. Each style is furnished in ten-foot lengths except for outside corner styling which comes in 11½-inch sections. Trim is made in inside corner, door and window trim, drip caps, etc.



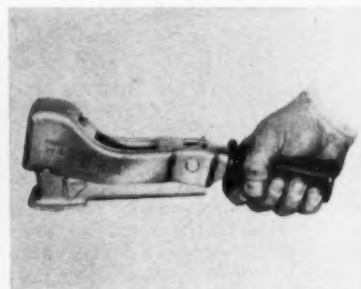
AB14227—PREFABRICATED HOUSE—International Homes, Inc., Dept. AB, Mineral Ridge, Ohio. Three-bedroom house with attached garage has full dining room in addition to dining space in kitchen. Large living room and utility room. Garage has space for storage of garden tools. Disappearing stairway provides access to added storage space in attic. The home can be erected on slab, basement or crawl space. Home is fully panelized prefabricated. Sold only to qualified builders. Also a four-bedroom model.



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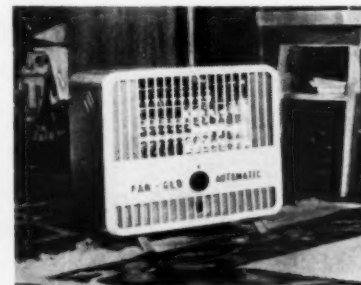
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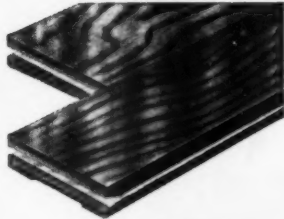


AB14111—FAN-HEATER—Markel Electric Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 129 Seneca St., Buffalo 3, N. Y. "Kool-N-Heataire" model 25, using 1,320 watts, and model 26, using 1,650 watts, is a fan forced radiant electrical heater and cooling fan. The unit is engineered with a radiant ring that produces hot infra-red rays, reflecting the rays into the room. In conjunction with the infra-red heating, a fan forces hot air into the area of use. For cooling, the unit has a four-bladed 8-inch fan. A three-way rotary switch (off-heat-cool) controls the heater.

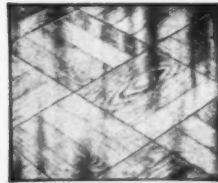
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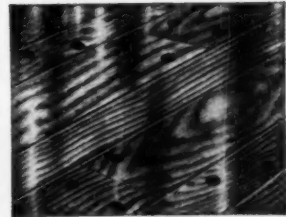
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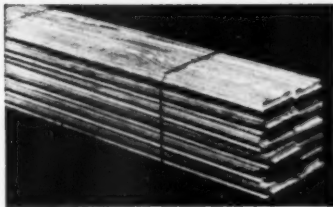
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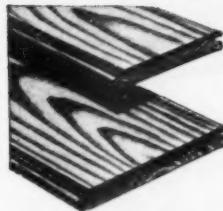
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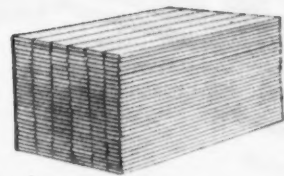
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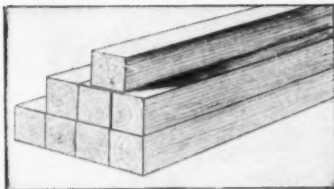
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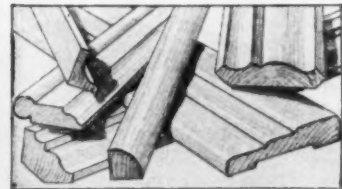
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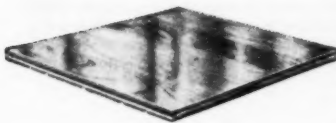
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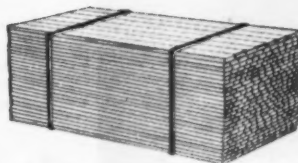
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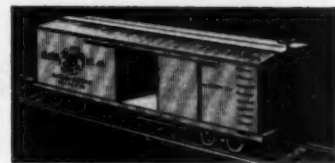
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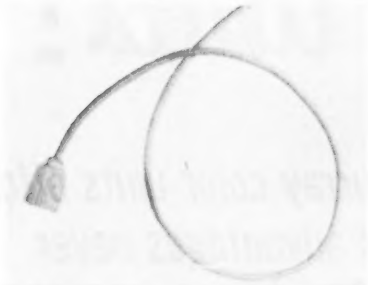
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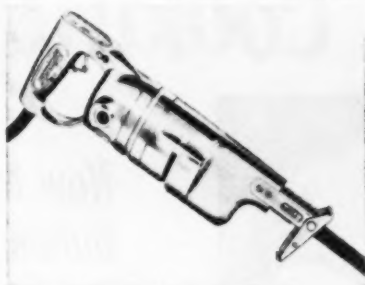
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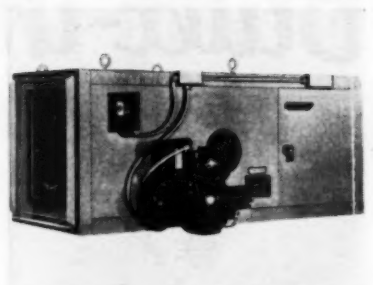
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AB14084—NYLON PULL-CORD—Hunter Douglas Corp., Dept. AB, 150 Broadway, New York 38, N. Y. The 1954 model All-Flexalum venetian blind is now being made with a slim nylon cord which the manufacturer claims has greater tensile strength and abrasion resistance than other cords used for this purpose. This cord should reduce one of the big maintenance problems on venetian blinds—continuous replacement of the lift and tilt cords. The All-Flexalum blind is available throughout the United States and Canada.



AB14361—PORTABLE POWER SAW—Milwaukee Electric Tool Corp., Dept. AB, 5356 W. State St., Milwaukee 8, Wis. Designed for heavy duty service, the "Sawzall" is a rugged, reciprocating type sawing tool that will stand up under continuous use. Only 14½ inches long and weighing 6¾ pounds, the tool can be easily maneuvered with one hand. The saw has a ¾-inch stroke and operates at 2,250 strokes per minute. It cuts through wood, galvanized sheet, Formica, Masonite, and other materials. Provided with trigger type switch.



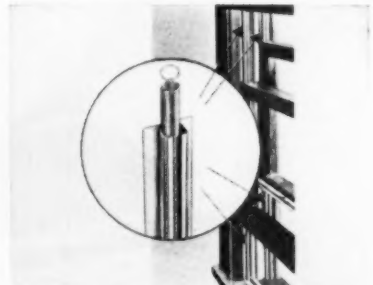
AB14041—SUSPENSION HEATER—Jackson and Church Co., Dept. AB, Saginaw, Mich. Three new suspension units of 112,000, 100,000 and 80,000 Btu's output can be arranged singly or in batteries to handle hard-to-heat space heating jobs. They are suitable for garages, service stations, recreation rooms and other installations where floor space is at a premium, as well as for attic, crawl space and utility rooms in houses. Units can also be adapted to summer air conditioning by combining them with refrigeration units.



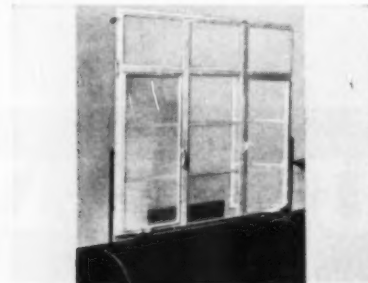
AB14087—IRON HARDWARE—National Lock Co., Dept. AB, Rockford, Ill. A new line of forged iron hardware reflecting the traditional charm of Early American living is offered in Dead Black, Old Copper and Swedish Iron. The grouping composes knobs, latches, handles, strap hinges, H hinges, H and L hinges and other popular items designed for use in kitchens, living rooms, dens, game rooms and throughout the house. Each item comes individually packed complete with screws, in a printed envelope. Available from open stock.



AB14384—BLUEPRINT CABINET—Ross-Martin Co., Dept. AB, 423 E. 4th St., Tulsa 1, Okla. Kraftbilt Horizontal Rollfiles are stated to be ideal for filing sub-division maps, plats, blueprints and tracings. Sectional units, of sturdy all-steel construction occupy little floor space. Disappearing door useful in cramped quarters; door has tamper-proof lock. Index plates on inside ledges expedite location of specific maps. Model H-342 holds 112 rolled maps in 2¼-inch tubes up to 42 inches long. Baked enamel finish.



AB14313—SPRING SASH BALANCE—Master Metal Strip Service, Inc., Dept. AB, 1720 No. Kilbourne Ave., Chicago 39, Ill. The spring sash balance serves to balance the upper and lower sash of double hung windows and to furnish weather protection by a combination of both in one unit. To accomplish this, a spring of the proper tension for various size windows is used within a housing made of aluminum. The housing fits between the stile of the sash and frame, providing a seal. This method weather-protects window letting sash move up and down easily.



AB14385—ALUMINUM WINDOW—The Maca Corporation, Dept. AB, Huntington, Ind. Cast as a single unit in a new type of permanent mold, each window section consists of one integral assembly (including rails, muntins and mounting flanges) without joints or welds. Cast aluminum frame has great strength and rigidity; all frame members have thickness of approximately 5/32-inch. New cast process also permits a slight radius at corners of all glass areas. Weather-tight Koroseal gasket seals ventilating units.



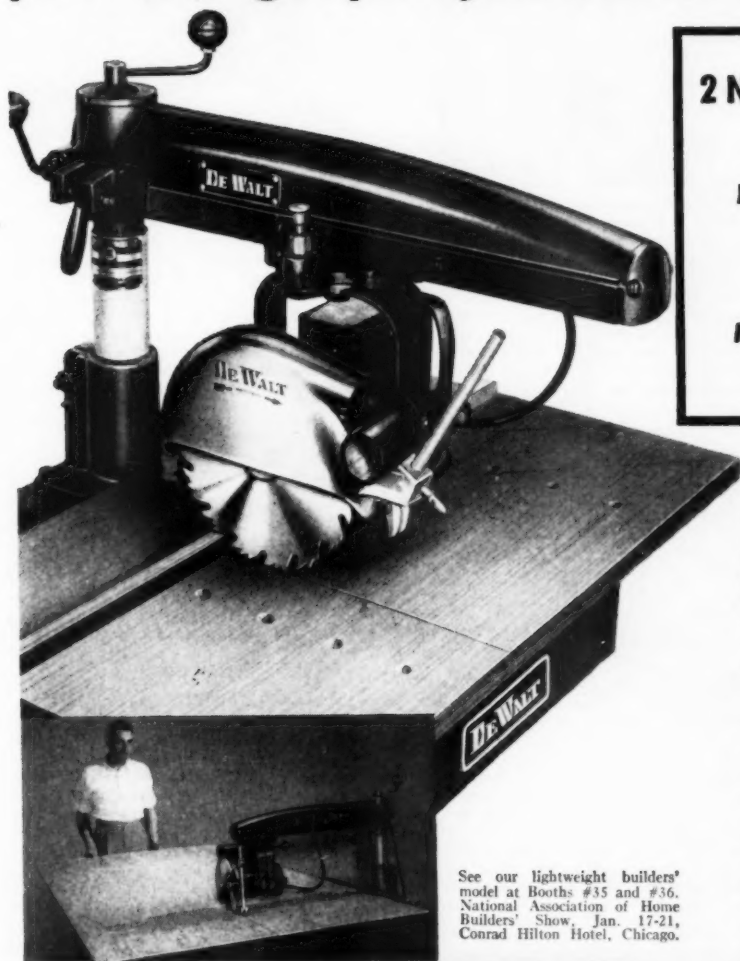
AB14372—DRILL KIT—Black & Decker Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Towson 4, Md. Two new drill kits are introduced—a ½-inch all-purpose kit and the ¼-inch Deluxe kit (shown). The latter features a ¼-inch drill with accessories for drilling and sanding in wood or metal, grinding, cleaning and burnishing, and paint mixing. Included in the steel kit box are a horizontal drill stand for bench work, 13 twist drill bits (1/16 to ¼-inch), backing pad and three sanding discs, 3-inch grinding wheel and 4-inch wire wheel brush.



AB14380—ELECTRIC PUMP—The F. E. Myers & Bro. Co., Dept. AB, 920 S. Orange St., Ashland, Ohio. New compact electric water system for homes located outside city water mains is called the Ejecto, Jr. It can be used on either shallow or deep wells up to 40 feet. Standing only 24 inches high, including the 11-gallon tank, system can be installed under most kitchen sinks, in utility rooms or in similar small spaces. The pump can be converted from shallow to deep well use by adding one threaded connection.

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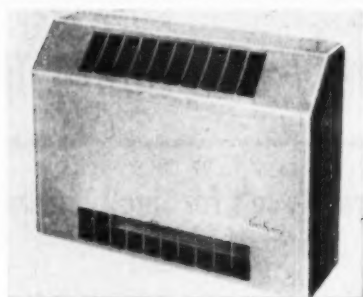
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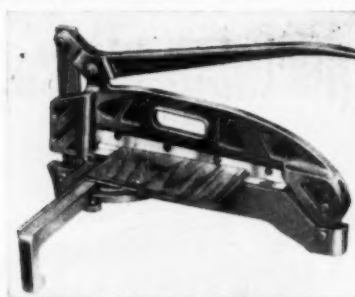
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AB14123—HEATER-COOLER—C. A. Dunham Co., Dept. AB, 400 W. Madison St., Chicago 6, Ill. Vari-Temp units provide year 'round air conditioning. Three unit sizes plus variety of choices of installation give them wide versatility of use. Units can be floor or vertically wall mounted, mounted flat on a ceiling or inverted on a wall. One unit heats, cools, ventilates; one heats and ventilates; one cools and ventilates. Units stress sturdy construction, quiet operation, ease of installation and maintenance.



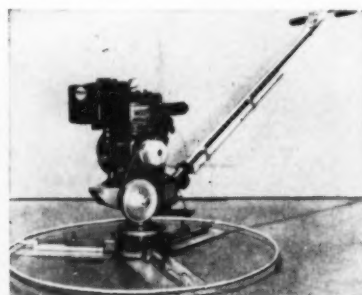
AB14244—FOLDING DOOR—Consolidated General Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 24th & Nicholson Sts., Houston 8, Texas. The Veni-Flex folding door is supplied in a choice of eight pastel enamel colors or a natural finish. It is suitable to modern, compact homes where space-saving is a first consideration. It serves as a room divider, closet or in-a-door bed closure. Unit is constructed of high-grade basswood slats, woven with seine twine. Ventilation between slats permits free circulation of air.



AB14097—TILE CUTTER—J. M. J. Industries, Inc., Dept. AB, Belleville, Ill. Latest J.M.J. Tile Cutter, model WFT-2. Designed primarily for wood floor tiles, it will also cut asphalt, rubber, vinyl, linoleum, cork. It takes 7x9-inch tiles, in square and diagonal cuts; 12x12-inch tiles in square cuts only. The tool has all-steel parts, except for blades, plated to prevent rust and corrosion; all-magnesium castings; brass wear plates front and rear; lower blade back-up screws prevent blade slippage.



AB14093—PANEL BOARD—Southern Plaswood Corp., Dept. AB, Hope, Ark. The new type "A" Plaswood is strong, hard panel board made from specially treated long wood fibers bonded under heat and pressure with special resin binder. Two densities are available, high density for underlayment of floor coverings, and medium density for sidewall sheathing. Large standard size sheets of several thicknesses are available. The material has about 50 per cent greater insulating value than lumber, its manufacturers say.



AB14408—CEMENT FINISHING MACHINE—Whiteman Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 3249 Casitas Ave., Los Angeles 39, Calif. New basic improvements give this machine further advantages, long life: a new gear case is equipped with Timken bearings to reduce wear; safety switch on handle shuts off automatically when operator releases his grip; at top of handle and in the base, ball thrust bearings make trowel pitch adjustment easier when machine is operating; new rubber collar protects the trowel adjustment arms.



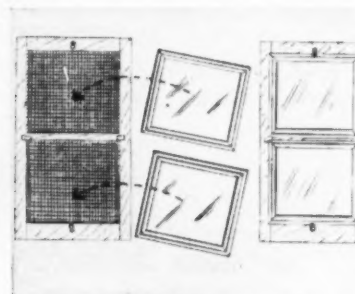
AB14370—WATERPROOF CEMENT—The American Sta-Dri Co., Dept. AB, Brentwood, Md. Manufacturer announces new package design for its hydraulic cement, Instant Water-Stop, now available in one-pound as well as four-pound package. Water-Stop is a fast-setting cement that stops running water leaks in masonry immediately, according to its makers. It can be used to patch breaks, holes and cracks in masonry and for anchoring bolts or other jobs requiring a quick-setting cement. Can be used with Sta-Dri masonry paint.



AB14389—SINK-TUB COMBINATION—Capitol Kitchens, Division of Hubeny Brothers, Inc., Dept. AB, Roselle, N. J. New 48-inch sink and tub combination offers features which stress kitchen efficiency. The unit has a deep drawer for storage and two regular size drawers with a cutlery tray built into the top one. Door opening into the storage compartment under the tub has towel rack and wire soap basket on inside. Acid-resistant porcelain sink has one deep and one shallow bowl with sliding top to serve as a drainboard.



AB14320—FURNITURE LEGS—The R. G. Coffman Co., Inc., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 1113, Orlando, Fla. Wrought iron table and chair legs in heights of 6", 11", 16", 22" and 28½" are made for attaching to standard building supply items, such as flush doors, plywoods, hardboards, etc. This method permits quick construction of beautiful furniture or tables inexpensively. Legs are solid iron with a correct furniture foot and one inch wide top attachment plate with five screw holes which makes for sturdy and sound construction.



AB14379—STORM PANELS—Winsulite Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Baltimore 2, Md. Two aluminum framed glass inserts fit securely into the top and bottom of standard or modular size full length wood screen, making screen into a storm window. Storm panels are called "Weatherite." Each set of inserts comes complete with necessary hardware, consisting of a turning locking lever for each insert and a set of two small metal offsets, each of which fits with inserts at the cross bar, one on right, one on left edge of cross bar.

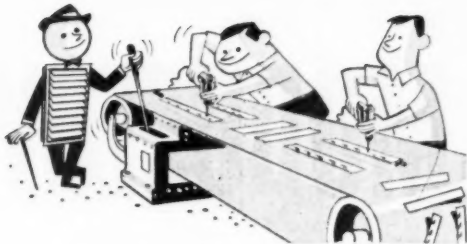
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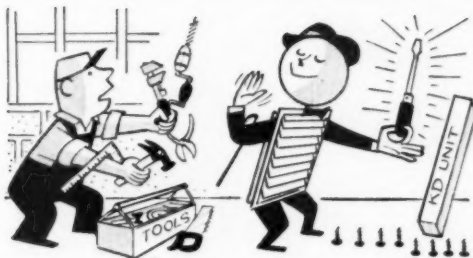
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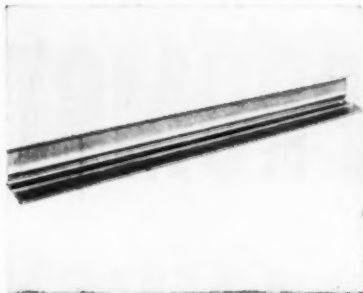
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AB14190—GAS BOILER—Burnham Corp., Dept. AB, Irvington-on-Hudson, N. Y. The new PB series gas boiler heats both the house and the water for the house. In addition to two-way heating, the boiler features: low gas consumption pilot; glass wool insulation; gas tight construction; quiet operation. It is available in three sizes for steam ranging from 295 square feet to 610 square feet of installed radiation, and in four sizes for hot water ranging from 375 to 1,100 square feet of radiation.



AB14406—STORM SASH-SCREEN—Scottsbluff Sash & Door Co., Dept. AB, Scottsbluff, Neb. Kiln-dried Ponderosa pine is used in the manufacture of these all-wood self-storing screen and storm sash. Wood is treated with toxic preservative to resist rot, stain, termites and moisture. Weatherstripping at sill, head and meeting rails, assures maximum weather-tightness and minimum heat loss. Lower half of storm sash slides open for ventilation or closes tightly for insulation against cold.



AB14388—STEEL LINTEL—Brainard Steel Division, Sharon Steel Corp., Dept. AB, Warren, Ohio. These heavy-gauge prime steel lintels will not shrink, warp, crumble or burn. Corrosion-resistant finish assures lifetime trouble-free use. Lintels make possible crack-free walls over window and door openings. Roll-formed lintel has no twist, always lies flat. Because of their strength and durability, these steel lintels meet all safety requirements for window and door openings in masonry construction.



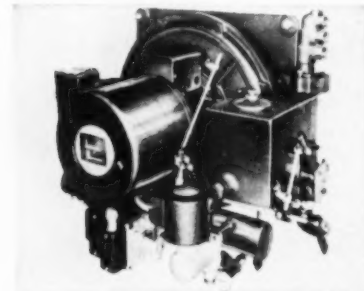
AB14238—VINYL TILE—Kentile, Inc., Dept. AB, 58 Second Ave., Brooklyn 15, N. Y. Ken-Flex, new multi-purpose vinyl asbestos tile, is available in 14 decorator colors. Product is grease- and alkali-proof, fire resistant, and resistant to acids, fats, oil and gasoline. Tiles come in 9x9-inch squares and in 1/16-inch and 1/8-inch thicknesses. Product can be installed on concrete in direct contact with earth, so can be used in any below-grade installation and in basementless homes. Its toughness withstands heavy traffic.



AB14042—DECORATIVE COLUMN—Metal Crafters, Dept. AB, E Avenue at 18th St., N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Trumpet vine design porch column, shown, is double faced, i.e., identical on both sides, and cast in aluminum so that it will not rust. It is made both in corner and panel columns with standard height of eight feet, other heights available, 11 3/4 inches wide, with matching brackets and valances. Column also available in grape vine design, 10 inches wide. Cast in aluminum alloy, there is no breakage in shipping or erection.



AB14043—ANTI-DRIP TAPE—J. W. Mortell Co., Dept. AB, Kankakee, Ill. The problem of sweating and condensation on cold water pipes can be met by NaDrip Tape, developed to eliminate pipe drip. It also protects piping, valves and fittings against rust and corrosion. The tape is cork-filled and is two inches wide and 1/4 inch thick, pliable and easy to handle. It can be applied manually without use of brads or tools. When wrapped around pipes diagonally it forms a snug, sealed jacket; one coil covers 10 feet of pipe.



AB14102—METERING BURNER—S. T. Johnson Co., Dept. AB, Church Road, Bridgeport, Pa. This oil burner automatically maintains a fixed air-fuel ratio regardless of variations in oil temperature and viscosity. The manufacturer claims the metering pump burner will out-perform others on cold starts. The air-fuel ratio is maintained by a positive displacement metering pump. The model 53 is available in seven sizes from 25 to 400 horsepower. The unit is simple in design, easy to service, and exceptionally efficient, states the manufacturer.



AB14188—PACKAGED DOOR UNIT—Virginia Metal Products Corp., Inc., Dept. AB, 1107 1st National Bank Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. The Nak-Down Bi-Pass unit offered by this manufacturer is a low-cost sliding door unit which comes in one carton containing: two doors, one sill member, one head member, eight rubber bumpers, four hold-in angles with screws, nine wood screws, and an instruction sheet. Doors are formed of 20 U.S. gauge furniture steel, with prime coat baked on. Installation is accomplished by four easy steps.



AB14381—ELECTRIC HAMMER—Tempo Products Co., Dept. AB, 2075 E. 65th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio. Operating on a patented principle of motion conversion, "Super Slugger" electric hammers employ neoprene blocks to give snap to each of the 3,000 blows per minute. Impact motion delivered by reciprocating piston is fast and positive; normal 3/4-inch piston travel is increased to 1 1/2-inches at full speed, with no shock or vibration on motor or operator. Tool weighs only 7 1/2 pounds and may be operated by one hand.

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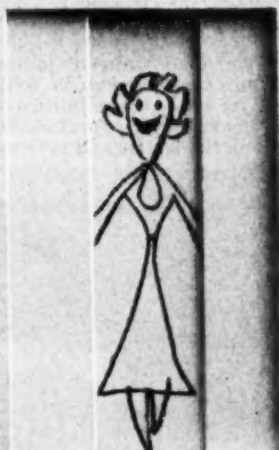
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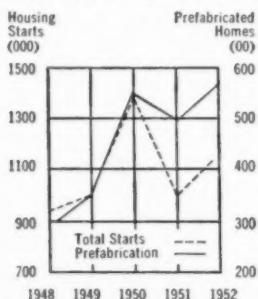


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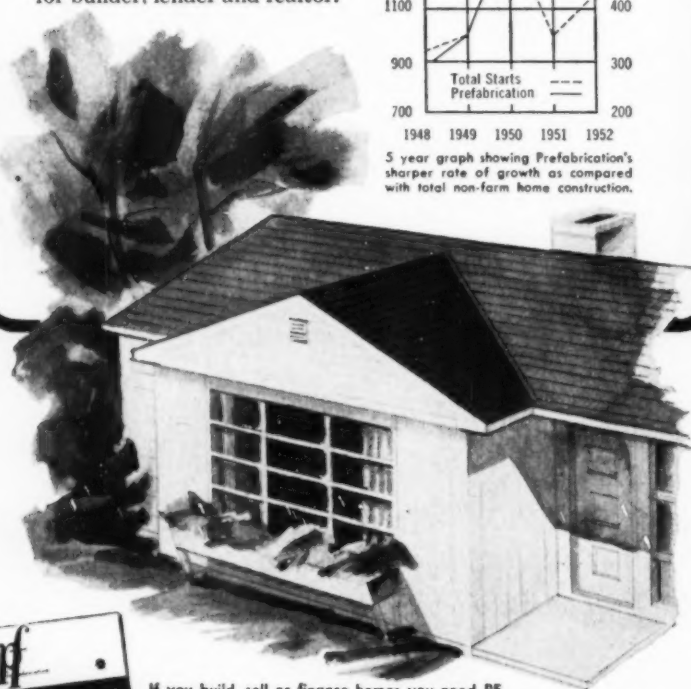
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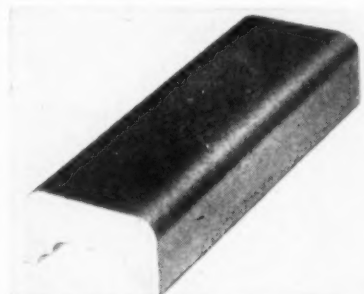
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AB14234—BUILT-IN RANGE—Leeson Steel Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 612 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill. Presteline Built-In Ranges are stated to be among the most advanced equipment available for modern trends in kitchen planning. Individualized cooking tops can be grouped in any manner for greatest efficiency. The range features the largest built-in oven on the market, installed at eye-level height. Ovens and range tops come in five pastel shades for complete color planning.



AB14196—CERAMIC TILE TRIM—Pomona Tile Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 629 N. LaBrea Ave., Los Angeles 36, Calif. A new tile trim developed as a match for the manufacturer's Perma-Glaze tile, is used on floors, counters and other extra-traffic surfaces. Six items in the new trim are now in stock, which makes possible the combination of the extra-hard glaze of Perma-Glaze with a matching hard trim that adds versatility in design. All trim stock is available in five colors, Hunter Green, Sun Yellow, Ecu, Marocco Brown, Sandalwood.



AB14038 — GASOLINE RAMMER — Barco Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 500 N. Hough St., Barrington, Ill. This self-contained, portable tool meets most compaction specifications, for it will ram from 20 to 30 cubic yards of material per hour. Operator has complete control of tool on each stroke. It can be operated without special skill and uses only a small amount of gasoline for power, requires no supply lines to hamper movement. Rammer has magneto ignition, is easy to start and stop, needs minimum maintenance.

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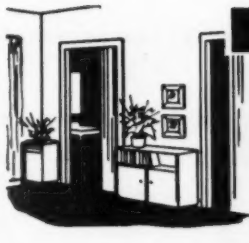
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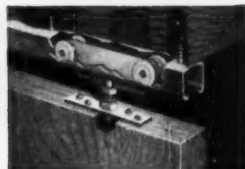
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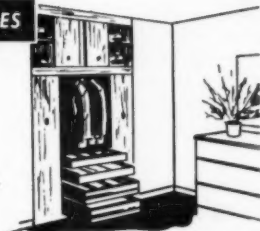


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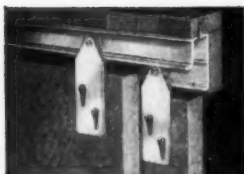
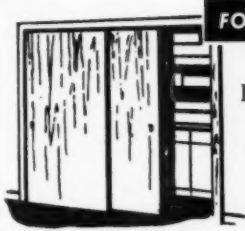
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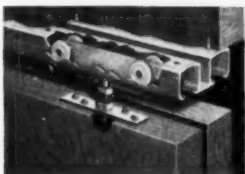
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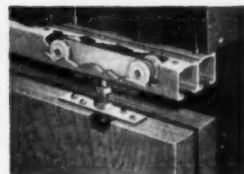
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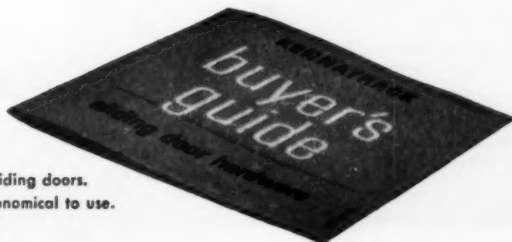


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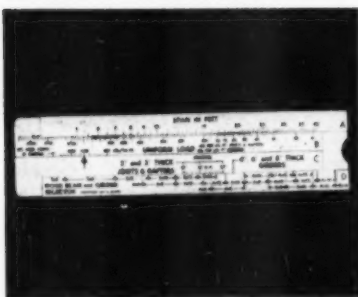
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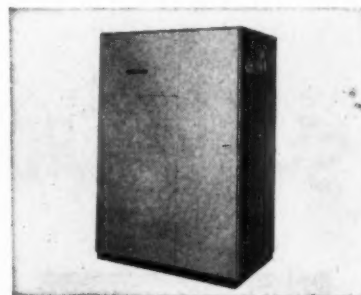


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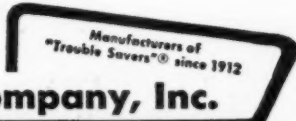
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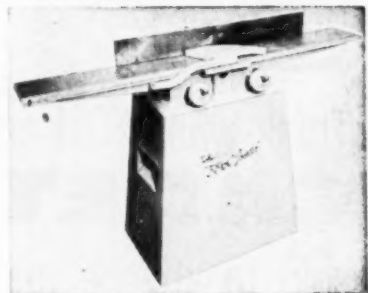
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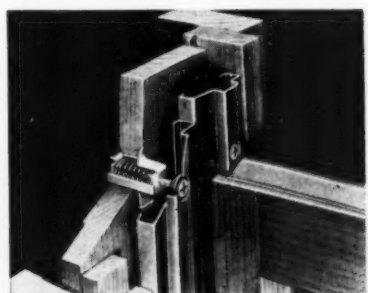
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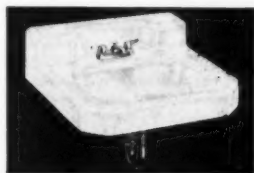
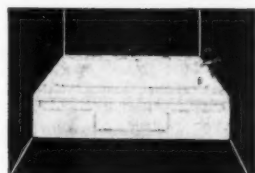
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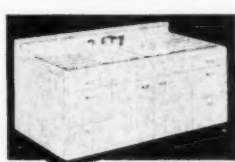
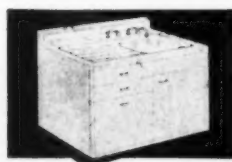
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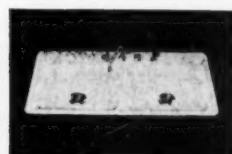
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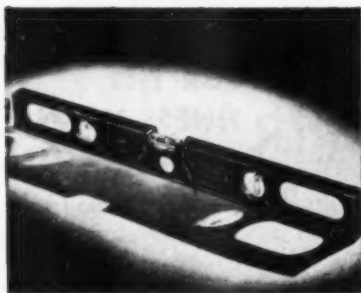
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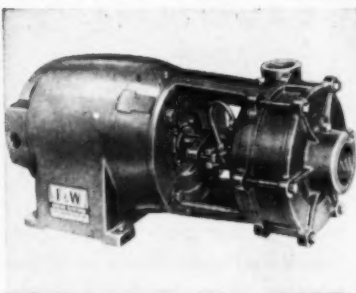
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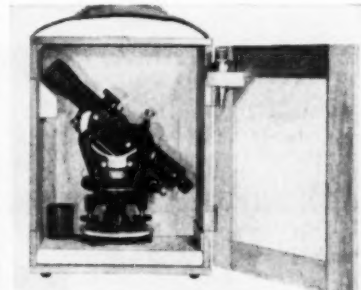
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AB14090—DOOR OPERATOR—Robot Appliances, Inc., Dept. AB, 13165 Prospect Ave., Dearborn, Mich. An electronically controlled operator for doors, gates, etc. It opens, closes and locks doors automatically, thus eliminating manual lifting, pushing and pulling. The door can be stopped at any point and started again in either direction. Units are available for operating high lift doors, sectional overhead doors, metal rolling doors, single side doors, fire doors, incinerator doors, grilles, awnings, folding partitions and other types.



AB14390—MASONRY SAW—Champion Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 2028 Washington St., St. Louis 3, Mo. New Model B masonry saw is shown cutting ceramic glazed tile. This unit is a wet or dry cutting machine, and can be used with either diamond or abrasive blades. Saw is of tubular construction to reduce weight, and provision is made to equip it with wheels for portability on the job. Saw has a 14 inch blade capacity and is equipped with standard 1½ h.p. motor. Unit has self-contained water system, pump.



AB14033—TRANSIT LEVEL—C. L. Berger & Sons, Inc., Dept. AB, 342 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Said to be especially suitable for builders' surveying jobs, this instrument is used for laying out building sites, marking batten boards, checking elevations for excavating and grading, setting lintels, aligning and plumbing walls and columns. Image seen through the 12-inch, 24-power telescope with coated optics is right side up. Telescope vial with 60-second sensitivity plus plate level vial assure accurate leveling.



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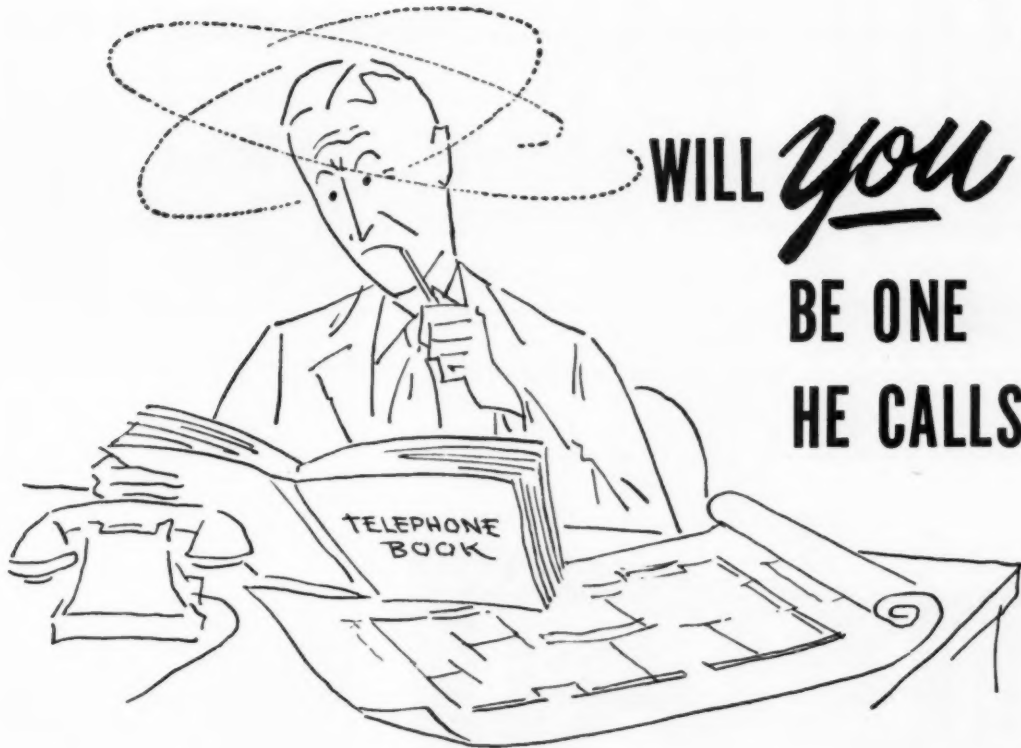


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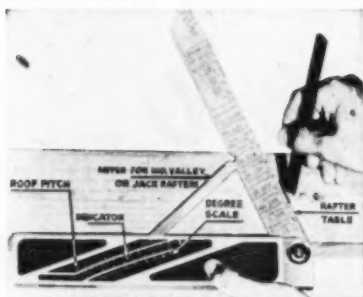
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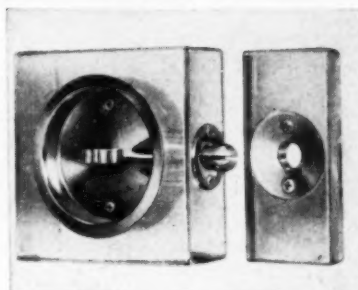
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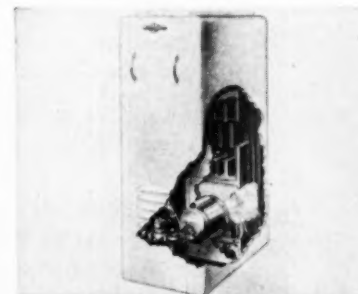
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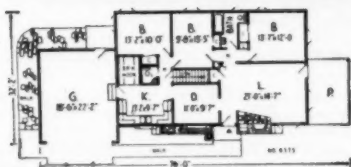
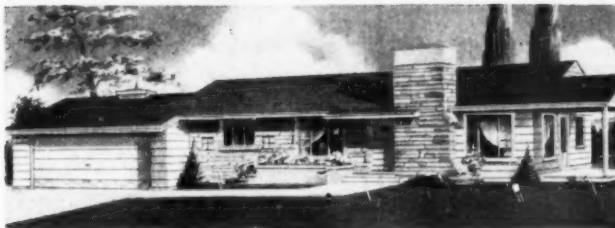
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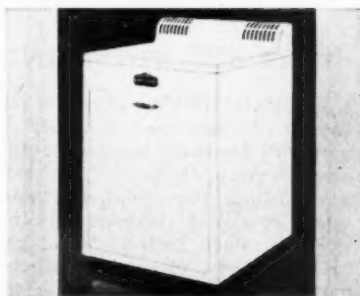
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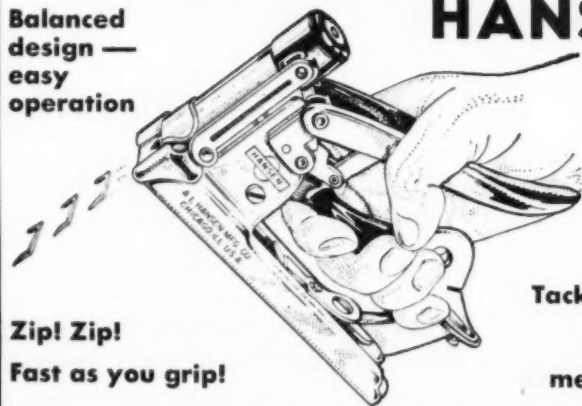


AB14386—CONTOUR MOLDINGS—O. E. Stelzer, Dept. AB, P.O. Box 715, South Bend, Ind. These moldings are designed for various types of utility partitions, including toilet, bath and other interior installations. Settings are designed to accommodate translucent or opaque glass or fiberglass panels in a corrugated type pattern. Illustration shows standard sliding bath enclosure for five-foot tube, in combination with a fixed end panel, also of fiberglass, set in contour moldings.



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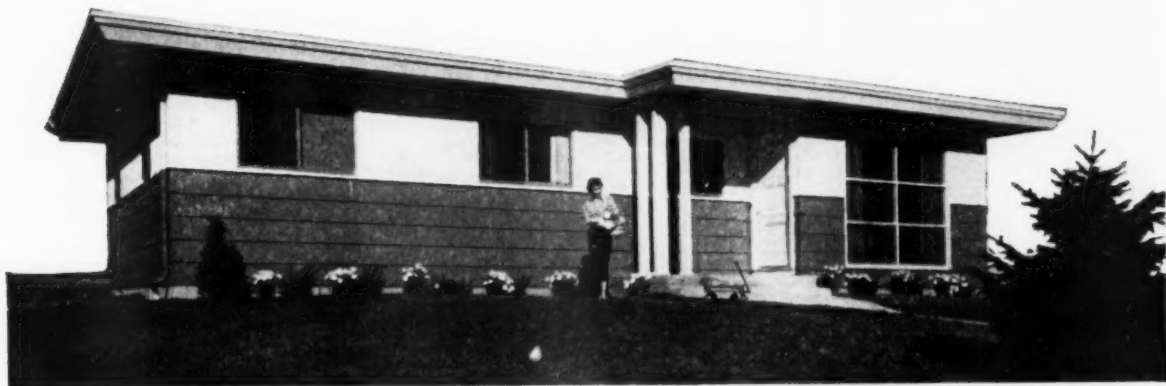
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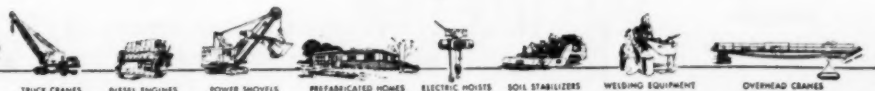
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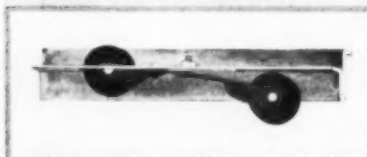
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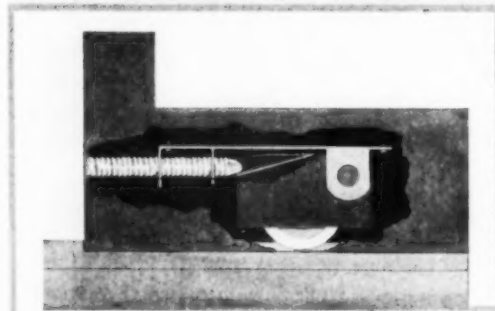
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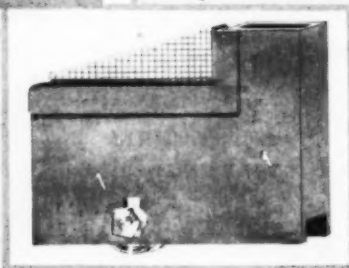
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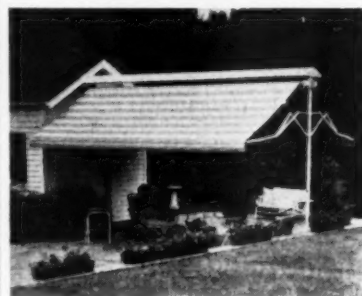
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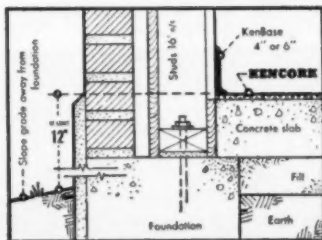
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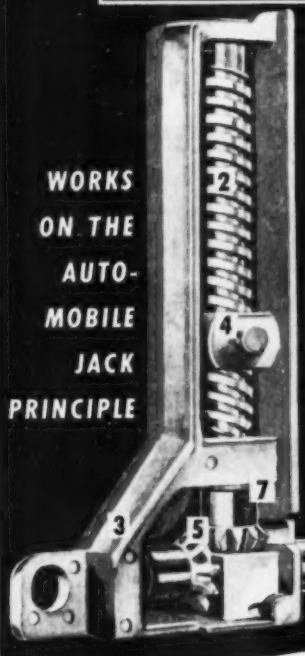
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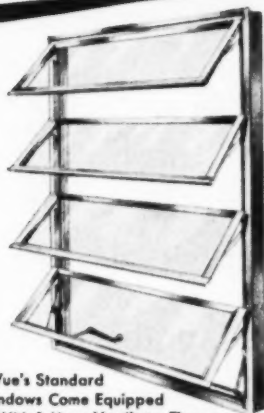
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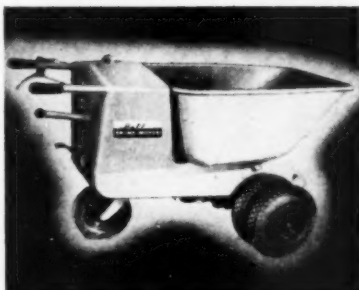
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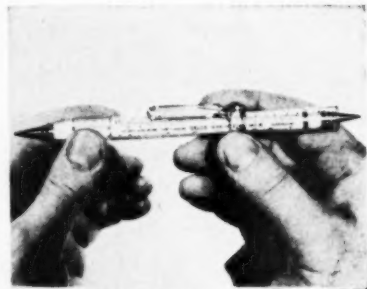
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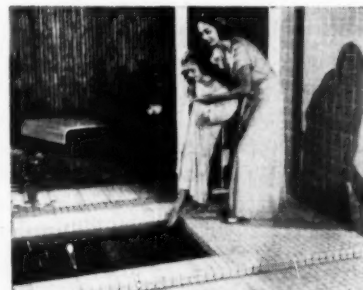
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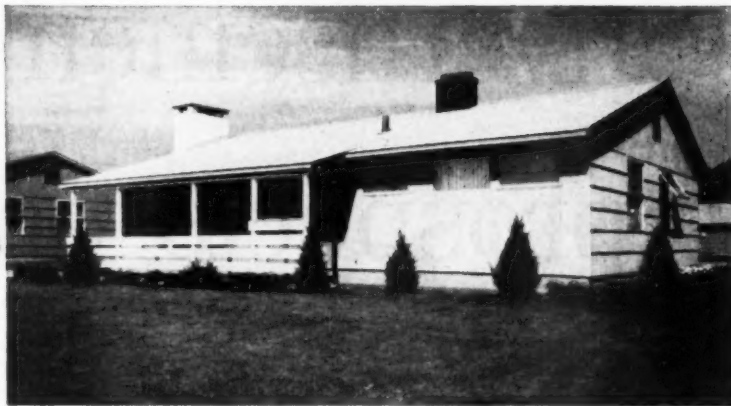


AB14245—CLAY TILE—Tile Council of America, Dept. AB, 10 E. 40th St., New York 16, N. Y. A new application for clay tile is shown in the above illustration. A clay tile bath-lounge and small enclosed garden are features of this contemporary bathroom designed by Edward D. Stone for the Tile Council of America. Floor of the room and the sunken bath are waterproof unglazed clay tile, and the wall consists of a glazed type. High waven wood fence assures privacy in the garden for bathers who wish to lounge.

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AMERICAN BUILDER

Place Homes Score Remarkable Sales Record With KITCHEN MAID KITCHENS



A typical Place Home, pre-cut and distributed to dealers, builders and contractors within a 300-mile radius of South Bend, Indiana. Place Homes switched to Kitchen Maid Kitchens in 1949, have sold nearly 2600 Kitchen Maid-equipped units since, ranging from \$10,000 to \$35,000. Company officials attribute much of their sales success in the highly competitive new home market to unique kitchen features.

Kitchen Maid Brings Added Traffic To Place Retail Store

Another phase of the Place operation that has profited substantially from association with Kitchen Maid Kitchens is Bimisco Inc., retail building supply and lumber outlet, and a Kitchen Maid dealer.

"We selected Kitchen Maid above all other lines," stated Robert Place, Bimisco manager, "because it offers important differences found in none of the others... features and work-saving accessories that exert proved buy-appeal. Proof that our decision has been justified is the fact that

Bimisco today enjoys a major share of the complete kitchen and component sales made to home owners and builders in the South Bend area." Place stated that the Kitchen Maid display is a consistent traffic-builder for the store, appealing to home owners and prospective owners in a wide range of income brackets.



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Virgil A. Place, president of the building company, stated that in the highly-competitive new home market, Kitchen Maid Kitchens have given Place Homes a distinctive edge that has resulted in an extraordinarily high ratio of prospect-to-buyer conversions.

Kitchen Maid Differences Cited

Such features as Kitchen Maid's exclusive Flo-Line Styling, hardwood construction, quiet, aluminum drawers, built-in cooking units and non-warping doors were cited among the reasons behind the strong consumer trend toward Place Homes.

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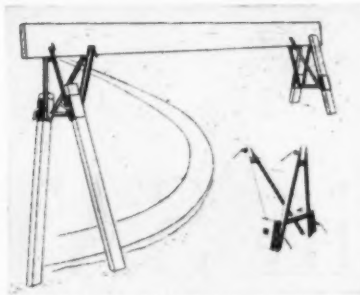
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AB14079—TRACTOR—Ford Motor Co., Tractor Division, Dept. AB, 2500 E. Maple Rd., Birmingham, Mich. The new Golden Jubilee Model Ford Tractor, first introduced in 1953, is shown at work with the Dearborn industrial loader and the Danuser all-purpose blade. A front-mounted loader and rear tools can be operated by the same touch-control lever, practically at the same time. Engine mounted hydraulic pump delivers oil whenever engine is running, without time lag.



AB14178—SCAFFOLD JACK—Superior Scaffold Co., Dept. AB, 5642 Bankfield Ave., Culver City, Calif. The Superior Jiffy Jack makes a light-weight trestle which is easily adjusted to any height from two to 12 feet. Each leg of the Jiffy Jack has an adjustment area of two feet and is thus individually adjustable to provide level scaffolding over uneven ground. Legs can be cut to the approximate height, then slid up or down and secured at the exact required height. No nails are required.



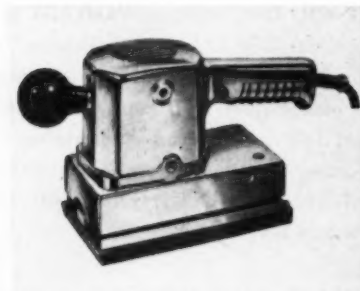
AB14364—KITCHEN CABINETS—Boro Wood Products Co., Inc., Dept. AB, Bennettsville, S. C. These custom-built units are constructed with pine faces, pine veneered ends and pine shelving; they have Masonite backs, bottoms and drawer bottoms. The doors are made of knotty pine veneer on 3/4-inch fir plywood. Hardware consists of black pulls and hinges on knotty pine cabinets (chrome hardware is used on birch and maple units). All units are given two coats of clear synthetic lacquer. Also available in several colors.



AB14200—POWER WOOD BIT—Dura-Bilt Tool Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 3 Union St., Natick, Mass. Latest improvement is a new flattened shank which gives the user of this power bit even greater gripping power. Shank is flattened on three sides without altering the diameter of the bit. Boring is clean and smooth without clogging, and the unique spur and point permit boring at acute angles without creep or wobble. Dura-Bilt fits all electric hand drills and drill presses, with cutting heads in 17 sizes, from 1/4 up to 2 inches.



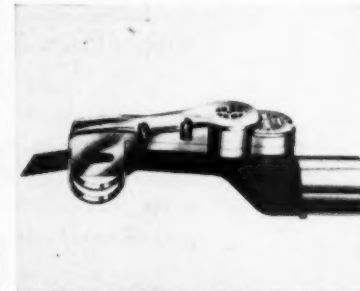
AB14240—SEWER PIPE—Brown Co., Dept. AB, 150 Causeway St., Boston 14, Mass. "Bermico" sewer pipe is made from tough wood fiber uniformly impregnated with pitch. All standard eight-foot lengths are root- and corrosion-proof, lightweight, easy to handle and assemble and built to last a lifetime. A precision-milled coupling is furnished with each length to insure a tight, accurate fit. Several types of adapters, sleeves, couplings and reducers are also furnished as optional equipment, as well as perforated pipe.



AB14105—ROTARY SANDER—Dremel Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Racine, Wis. This straight-line reciprocating action sander, Model 53, is powered by a rotary motor. It will not gouge, leave lap marks, cut orbital swirls, or create other hard-to-cover sanding patterns. The sandpaper holder assembly detaches from the machine at the flick of a finger. An extra paper holder is furnished so grits can be switched without paper change. The unit weighs 5 1/4 lbs., uses standard 3 2/3x9-inch abrasive sheets.

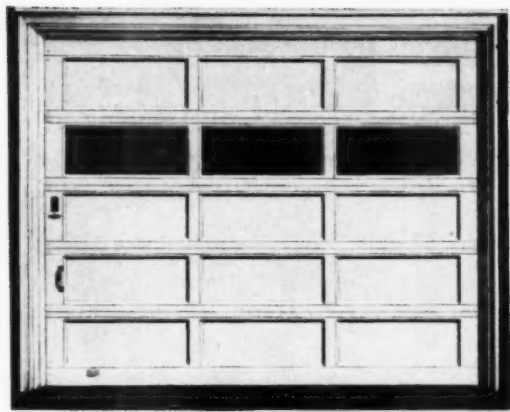


AB14077—REDWOOD PANELING—California Redwood Association, Dept. AB, 576 Sacramento St., San Francisco 11, Calif. With the trend toward emphasizing the beauty of building materials in their natural state, architects and builders are turning to wood paneling. One of the most striking of native woods, with natural finish, is A-Grade Redwood. Containing both the cream-colored sapwood and reddish brown heartwood colors, these panels may be laid up at random or matched to produce special effects.

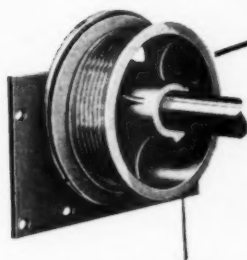


AB14239—KEYHOLE SAW—R. C. S. Tool Sales Corp., Dept. AB, Joliet, Ill. Design changes which have improved the performance of the Model T Super Saw include a one-piece, heat-treated, alloy steel piston with separate clamping jaw, hardened drive gears, one-piece connecting rod with 30 per cent more bearing area. Unit is now sealed against grease leakage. Redesigned shank of saw blades insures against slippage. Saw needs no starting hole, thus speeds up all types of on-the-job sawing. Unit has built-in blower.

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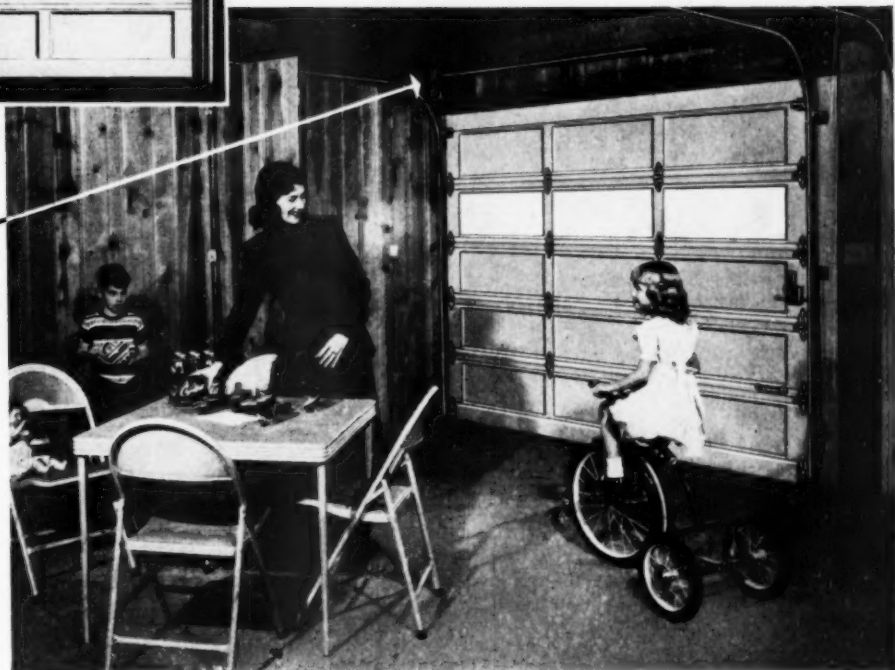


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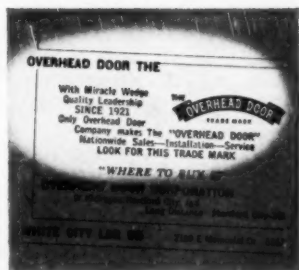
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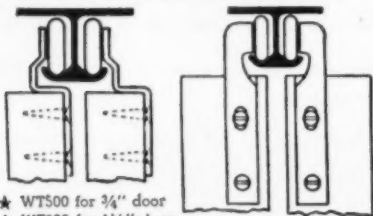


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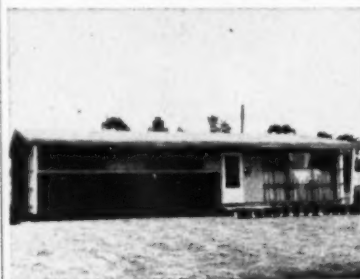


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AB14076—GARAGE DOOR—Calder Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 630 N. Prince St., Lancaster, Pa. Dimensions of the newest design are 15x7x1 3/8. Glazed on the job in a design according to the wishes of the buyer, the door is equipped throughout with exterior grade AA waterproof plywood. Easy-to-adjust springs and pressure-packed life-time grease in the sheaves are features. All metal work on the outside of the door is aluminum or brass. Rollers, bearings, cables, hinges and fittings are of 1/8-inch steel.



AB14094—CONTEMPORARY HOME—Thyer Mfg. Corp., Dept. AB, 2857 Wayne St., Toledo 9, Ohio. This well-known prefabricated house manufacturer (Pollman Homes) is adding contemporary design to its 1954 line, shown here. Walls will be of conventional construction, using double course wood shingles as the exterior finish. Windows will be the Fabrow vent unit. Roof construction is conventional, on a 2:12 pitch, and the ceiling follows this pitch. Floor area is 1,056 square feet plus 40 square feet for storage. Bathroom includes laundry.



AB14242—DISAPPEARING STAIR—Craig Wood Products Co., Dept. AB, Brennan Road, Columbus, Ga. The "Fold-A-Stair" can be installed in a 26x54 inch ceiling opening of a house and can be pulled down for use when needed and pushed up out of the way when not in use. The device's patented lifting and lowering mechanism makes the stairway's use effortless and safe. A single, connected unit, it folds on itself, making installation possible even in limited space locations. Unit is designed for homes needing added storage space.

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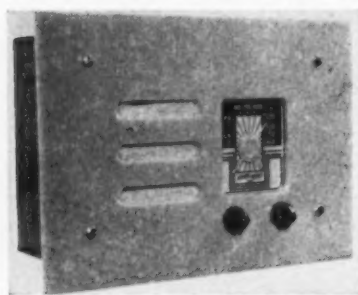
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AB14029—WALL RADIO—Flush Wall Radio Co., Dept. AB, 1012 Cleveland St., Clearwater, Fla. Five-tube a.c.-d.c. superheterodyne flush wall radio with adjustable slotted hinges attached is furnished with a 20-foot antenna wire. Radio is approved by Underwriters Laboratories for "built-in" installation. Panels are in plastic and Masonite; plastic panels are available in four colors. Panel size is approximately 7 7/8x11 1/2 inches. Wall becomes part of speaker-baffle, improving tone.

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L.A. BUILDER BOOSTS SALES WITH THERMADOR BILT-INS



Selling 4,000 houses has convinced builder Henry Cox that kitchens are a key-point in house sales. Mr. Cox (left) arranges with Thermador Sales Manager, Frank Ballman, to equip his new homes with Thermador Bilt-in Ranges.

Innovations in multiple house building—angular arrangement of rooms, elimination of most full height walls, and work-saving electric kitchens with Thermador—make Henry C. Cox a leading Southern California builder.

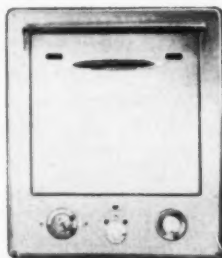
Kitchens receive his special attention as they are the work centers of most homes. Mr. Cox says that when women inspect a new house "kitchens are the first thing they look at." Thermador—the original bilt-in range—permits unusual flexibility of arrangement: saves steps and bending over, allows additional storage space, and fits into any kitchen decor more beautifully.



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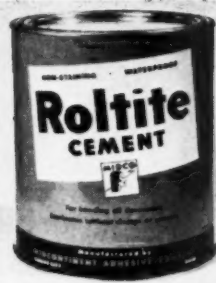
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AB14399—LAMINATE ADHESIVE—Midcontinent Adhesive Co., Dept. AB, Grove City, Ohio. Roltite and Tapon cements permit permanent bonding of laminates without sustained pressure. These new adhesives eliminate the need for clamps and presses when applying laminates to almost any porous or non-porous surface. Roltite is used for flat surfaces, Tapon for veneering edges which formerly required a metal facing. Only a few tools, plus applicator furnished are needed to complete installation.



AB14230—STEEL PARTITION—Inland Steel Products Co., Dept. AB, 4157 W. Burnham St., Milwaukee 1, Wis. Studless solid partition is a steel-reinforced vertical slab of plaster two inches thick. Milcor 3/8-inch metal lath, with its long dimension vertical, is fastened to ceiling and floor, reinforcing the partition while also acting as plaster base. Maintenance costs are low, since studless partition resists structural stresses and is highly crack resistant. Fire safety, sound resistance and light weight are other characteristics.



AB14314—DOOR CHIME—Auth Electric Co., Dept. AB, Long Island City 1, N. Y. A non-electric door chime for homes and apartments is actuated by a mechanical push button, with a one-way mirror peephole which permits observing the person calling without being seen. The metal escutcheon plate contains the push button and mirror and mounts on the outside of the door. The chime unit mounts directly behind it on the inside of the door and connects to button. Pressing the button sounds two notes. All screws are concealed. Fits any door thickness.

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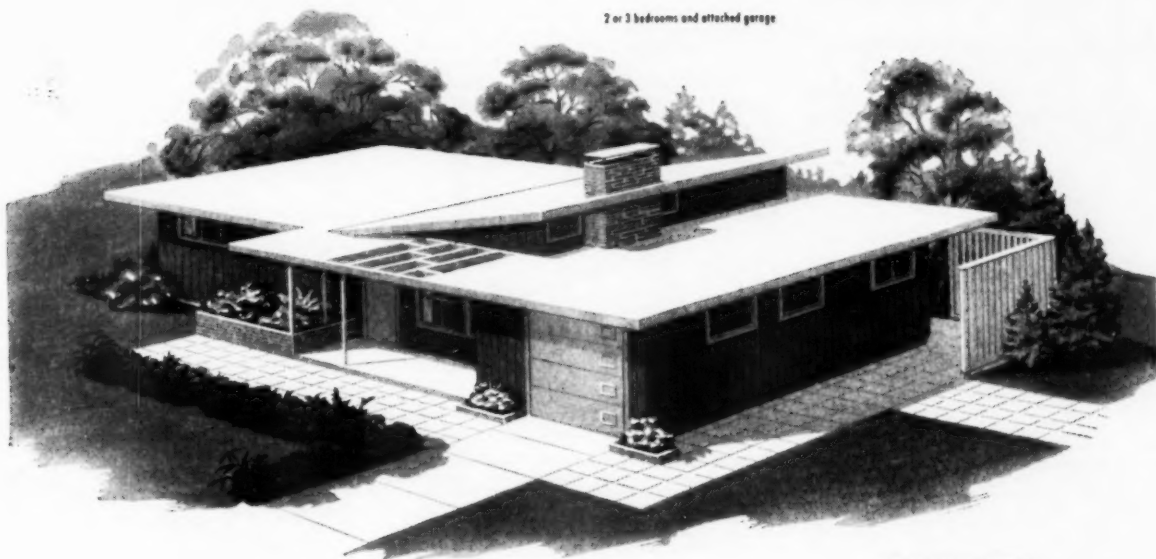
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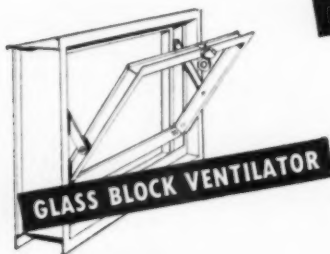
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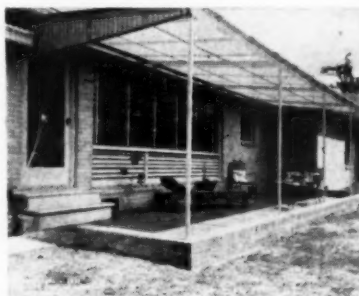
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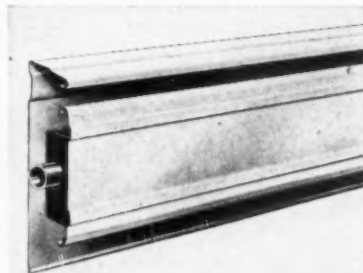
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AB14082—BARBECUE UNIT—Grillcraft Co., Dept. AB, 1067 St. Clair Ave., St. Paul 5, Minn. Designed for both indoor and outdoor fireplaces, this unit is built of heavy gauge steel with baked aluminum finish. Top grill and spit are tin-plated. The cooking surface is 19 by 20 inches. The unit weighs 39 lbs. Fire basket can be raised or lowered by turning a crank. Entire unit can readily be removed for storage or cleaning, and is easily and quickly installed.



AB14368—FIBER GLASS AWNINGS—Ray-O-Life Corporation of America, Dept. AB, Atlanta 6, Ga. These awnings are made of corrugated fiber glass in various color combinations. This durable material, made into awnings with a light, strong aluminum understructure, is resistant to stresses, strains, vibrations. It is decay-, mildew- and shatter-proof, yet is light in weight, and permits a diffused glow to lighten rooms it protects from weather. With these awnings, entrances, terraces, porches, etc. can have protection.



AB14104—BASEBOARD HEATING COVER—Vulcan Radiator Co., Dept. AB, 775 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Conn. Trimline Radi-Vector baseboard was designed to reduce the cost of baseboard heating installations. The manufacturer states that the cover will increase heat output and provide a streamlined appearance to match any decorative scheme. It reduces installation costs, as it requires fewer joints, fittings, and other installation accessories. Heat flow is from inlet and outlet slots. The front snaps on, can be easily removed for cleaning.

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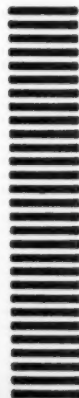
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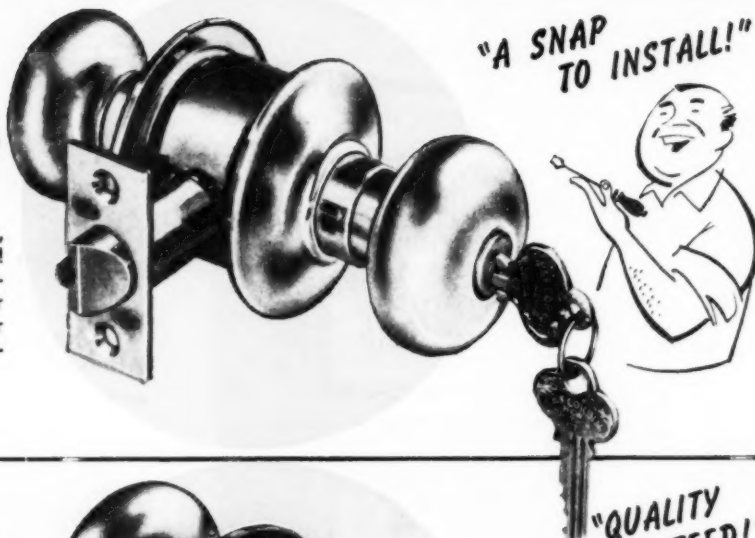
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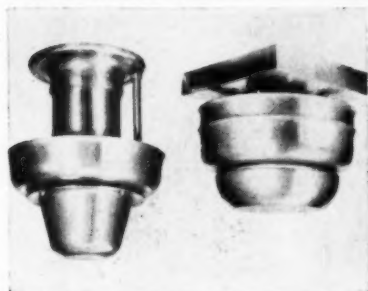
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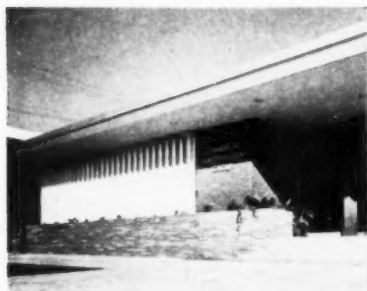
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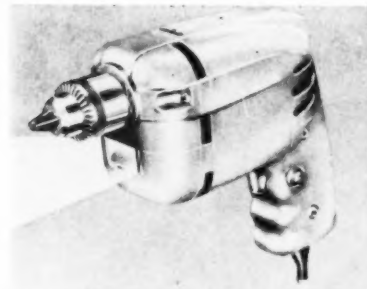
AB14228—BLOWER VENTILATORS—Loren Cook Co., Dept. AB, 664 Front St., Berea, Ohio. Spun aluminum blower ventilators for residential or commercial use are easily installed complete assemblies. The compact Model R roof ventilator (right in picture) is suitable for bathroom or shower room ventilation. It is made in 7, 9 and 10 inch sizes, with a collar to fit over standard 6- or 8-inch duct leading to roof. Low overall height and neat appearance are features of Model BV (left) with 9, 10, 12, 14 in. impellers.



AB14081—PACKAGE KITCHEN—General Air Conditioning Corp., Dept. AB, 4542 E. Dunham St., Los Angeles 23, Calif. A large oven has been added to this unit, which includes double sink, gas or electric burners, six cubic-foot refrigerator, double bottle shelf. The new oven includes a broiler. The refrigerator has a freezer which holds 12 frozen food cartons or nine ice cube trays. This unit was designed for use where space and dollar economy are important; occupies 42 inches of wall space.



AB14115—SIDEWALL LOUVER—The Kawneer Co., Dept. AB, Niles, Mich. K-louvers shield windows from the direct glare of the sun and become an integral part of the building. Because of the installation, heat penetration is reduced which in turn reduces the load on air conditioning systems. The louvers are made of aluminum and are resistant to the elements. Upkeep is held to a minimum, since the louvers never need painting. They are designed for commercial, industrial, and institutional buildings.

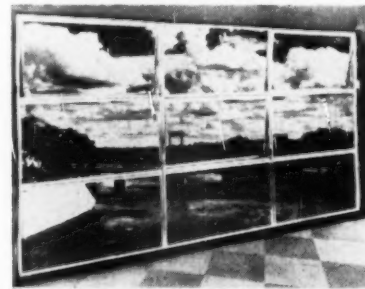


AB14375—ELECTRIC DRILL—Fairchild Industries, Division of Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp., Dept. AB, Burlington, Vt. Builders can now drill a hole in dark, inaccessible, hard-to-reach areas without having the inconvenience of an extension cord and lamp. New 1/4-inch, standard duty, portable electric drill called the "Work-Lite" weighs only three pounds, contains built-in spot light which plays directly on work being drilled. Drill has Jacobs geared chuck, trigger lock type switch, aluminum housing.

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AB14197—TARPAULIN—C. R. Daniels, Inc., Dept. AB, 4900 Wetheredsville Road, Baltimore 16, Md. Individually boxed Penguin Brand tarpaulins have been added to the Daniels line of builders' tarpaulins. These tarps are ruggedly constructed with triple-stitched seams, rustproof grommets, in strong canvas reinforcing patches at the corners and every three to four feet along the sides. Top quality canvas is used, chemically treated to shed water and add to durability. Five weights and a wide range of sizes are available.



AB14307—ALUMINUM WINDOWS—Marmet Corporation, Dept. AB, Wausau, Wis. Marmet picture windows are a packaged unit, designed to fit into a standard wood frame. They are particularly suitable for masonry or ordinary construction. These units are factory fitted, unglazed and ready for installation. Custom type picture windows are also available. These windows feature heavy, solid and rigid architectural frame and sash sections, ease of operation, welded construction, glazing rabbet for double-glass insulating unit and sturdy hardware.

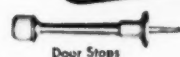
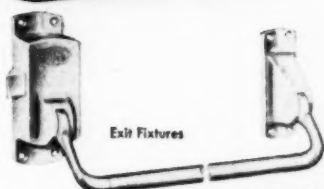


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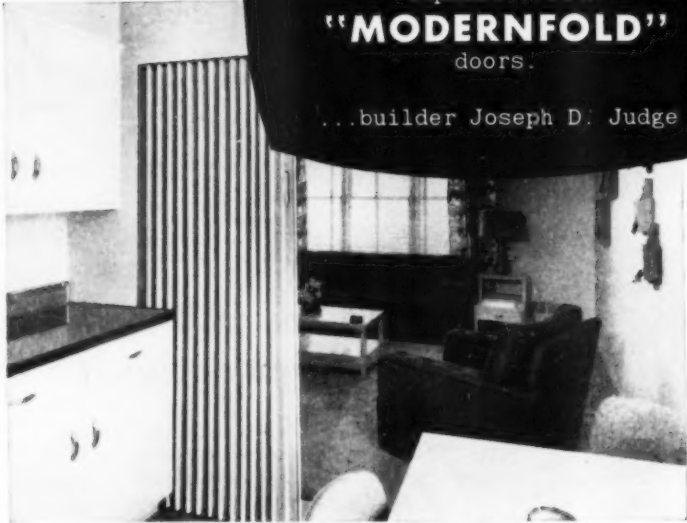


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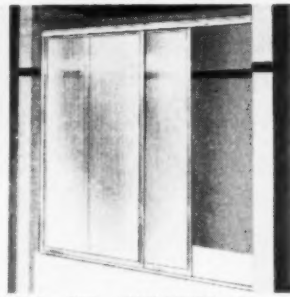
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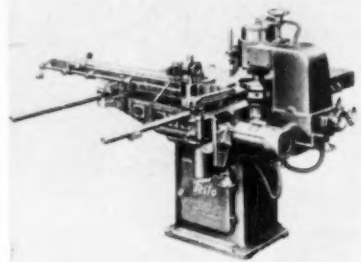
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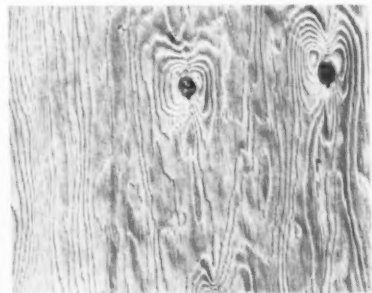
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AB14414—TUB ENCLOSURE—Shower Enclosures, Inc., Dept. AB, 1227 W. Devon Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. All-glass and aluminum tub enclosure is available in 5- and 5½-foot sizes. Called the "Beauti-Dor," the enclosure is manufactured for fast, simple installation. All parts are factory finished and assembled; doors are complete units, including the glass. It takes only 30 minutes to install two side jambs to the walls, secure bottom rail and slide top rail and doors into position.



AB14373—TENONING MACHINE—Festo Woodworking Machines, Dept. AB, 745 51st St., Brooklyn 20, N. Y. This heavy-duty machine combines tenoning and coping heads in one unit. It features a direct-drive 3 h.p. motor and a 2½ h.p. cut-off saw with a cut-off height of 3½ inches, 12 inches wide. The machine permits quick and easy set-ups, while both the heads assure fast cutting for high-production or custom work. Unit cuts tenons with copings up to 9 inches long and 4 inches thick at a single stroke.



AB14237—DECORATIVE PLYWOOD—Associated Plywood Mills, Inc., Dept. AB, Eugene, Ore. Knotty Sea Swirl plywood, shown above, is made by a special process from choice grades of Douglas fir. The surface pattern gives a three-dimensional effect with swirls and contours. The product is stated to be durable, lightweight and splinter-proof. It comes in standard 4x8 foot panels, 5/16-inch thick. Other sizes are available on special order. Plywood is available in both interior and exterior types. Easy to handle, apply and finish.

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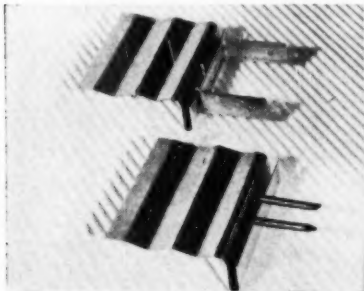
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AB14409—ALUMINUM WINDOW—Wisco Aluminum Corp., Dept. AB, 3945 A St., Detroit 16, Mich. This aluminum double-hung window for either new construction or modernization has no sash weights or balances. Sash may be removed from frame for washing. Glass is held firmly in a rubber-lined aluminum casing, so there are no nails, glazier's points or putty. Window is suited to a variety of architectural treatments and for all types of construction. It is offered in wide range of standard sizes.



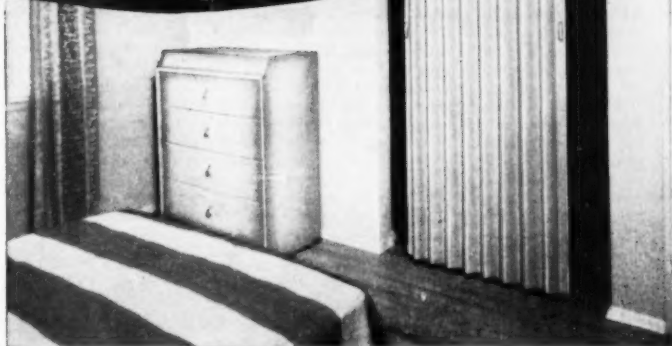
AB14194—SPLIT RING CONNECTORS—Marsh Company, Dept. AB, Hastings, Neb. The "Timberlock" split ring connectors are now available to the building trade for the first time since the war; entire supply has previously been allocated to government construction. These rings are true circles, precision made from mild steel strip. Edges are rounded so installation in the grooves can be made smoothly and quickly. Rings are made in two sizes, 2½ and 4 inches in diameter. These timber connectors are now available in quantity.



AB14306—FURRING CLIP—Peterson Products Co., Dept. AB, P.O. Box 462, Janesville, Wis. The Quick-way furring clip is simple and easy to use. It lies rigidly in the mortar joint. No stresses are set up in the masonry which may separate the brick from the mortar and cause hairline cracks. There are no through-the-wall nails or metal to carry cold or wet spots. The furring strip is always ¼-inch away from the masonry. This keeps the wood furring strip from being in contact with the wall and prevents dry rot, allows free movement of air.

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In "Spacemaster" folding doors, Maryland builder Joseph D. Judge found the perfect solution to the problem of effective closet closure. The rolling post "Spacemaster" shown above provides for ample, easily accessible closet space in his 96 "University Rambler" homes located in Lewisdale, Maryland. Yet these quality folding doors are available at a price so low that they actually cost less than a wood door and necessary extras. Says Mr. Judge, "In my opinion it is one of the finest doors of its type on the market today."

Not only do "Spacemaster" folding doors let you save on initial cost, but they save preparation costs, save installation time, save labor costs as well. You can eliminate trim and wood casing. You can put them up with eight screws in ten minutes. And there's no fitting, mortising, planing or sanding with "Spacemaster" folding doors. They come in two heights: 6'6" and 6'8½", three maximum extension widths: 2'6", 3'0" and 4'0". Vinyl fabric covering is in popular "Decorator Gray" that blends easily with any color scheme.



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- Step 1:** Cut drilled track to opening width. Mark and drill holes in header.
- Step 2:** Slide track onto door. Lift into opening and insert screws.
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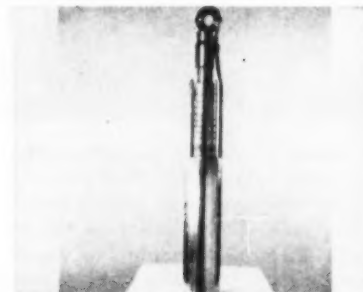
AB14405—PLASTIC WALL TILE—S & W Moulding Co., Dept. AB, Columbus, Ohio. New King size 'Miraplas' is a bigger, thicker plastic tile, 8½ inches square. One block is the equivalent of four regular tiles. It is 32 per cent thicker than conventional size tile. Larger squares conform to the trend of larger modularity in building designs. The larger size insures greater rigidity and smooth surface appearance, according to the manufacturer. Product is recommended especially for residential installations.



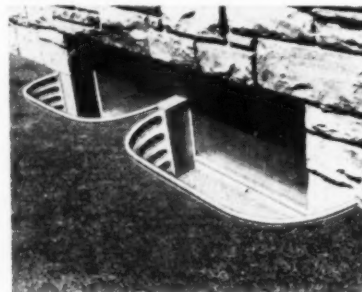
AB14120—ALUMINUM LOUVER—Midget Louver Co., Dept. AB, 6-8 Wall St., Norwalk, Conn. Midget louvers provide a solution to condensation problems in existing houses. The devices, made of aluminum, allow air to circulate freely through walls, roofs and unexcavated areas. They are installed in roof overhangs, eaves, gables, sidewalls or wherever condensation is a threat. Installation requires only drilling correct size hole and pushing louver into place. Made in seven sizes, one to six inches in diameter.



AB14410—AIR CONDITIONER—Worthington Corp., Dept. AB, Holyoke, Mass. This new year-round unit combines all air conditioning functions—heating, cooling, air circulation, air filtering and dehumidification, in one cabinet. Cooling system is available in 2 and 3 h.p. sizes, and heating system may be either oil or gas fired. Complete control is from a room thermostat. Entire unit may be serviced from front. Unit takes up no more room than a standard furnace and will pass through a 30-inch doorway.



AB14378—SUBMERSIBLE PUMP—Sumo Pumps, Inc., Dept. AB, 375 Fairfield Ave., Stamford, Conn. Compact 1/3 h.p. electric pump can be installed at approximately same cost as ½ h.p. jet pump, yet provides up to 25 per cent more pumping capacity at deeper settings. It is designed to fulfill the requirements of the average domestic water supply system. Unit is of all-bronze and stainless steel corrosion-resistant construction. Motor is water-lubricated to eliminate sealing problems. Windings hermetically sealed.



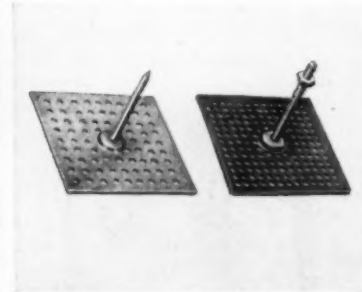
AB14231—STEEL AREAWALL—St. Paul Corrugating Co., Dept. AB, St. Paul 1, Minn. Streamlined-straight type Lux-Right areawall, one of the leaders in the metal basement window well field, is of one-piece construction. It has stiffening horizontal ribs of approximately ⅜-inch deep corrugations, 2½ inches on centers. It has a ½-inch integral top head and flattened 2½-inch flanges on both sides to bear evenly against foundation wall. Flanges have holes for masonry nails. Units are hot-dipped galvanized after manufacture.



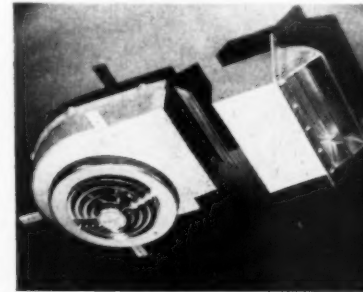
AB14184—LEVEL TRANSIT—David White Co., Dept. AB, 311 W. Court St., Milwaukee 12, Wis. Improved transit, known as Model 3000 Universal Level Transit, includes a ball bearing race which supports the spindle. This is an exclusive patented feature which assures perfect adjustment under the most severe conditions, and is designed not to drag or tighten in sub-zero weather. The model is equipped with the same high-power telescope found in the higher-priced transits. Model weighs 11 pounds, tripod 9 pounds.



AB14396—PREFABRICATED HOUSE—Inland Homes Corp., Dept. AB, 501 College St., Piqua, Ohio. This factory assembled, conventional type home, 36x24 feet in area, is acceptable for FHA and VA financing. Home has three bedrooms, full basement. It offers such features as aluminum double-hung windows, large picture window, aluminum double-foil insulation, hardwood floors throughout, birch flush doors, sliding wardrobe doors, a linen closet in bathroom, Youngstown kitchen cabinets and Formica counter tops.



AB14229—ANCHOR NAILS-BOLTS—Goodloe E. Moore, Dept. AB, Danville, Ill. Gemco anchor nails were developed to eliminate the slow, hazardous and tiring job of drilling for anchoring to brick, concrete and steel. The nails when fastened with an approved adhesive have ample strength to hold side wall loads in place securely. Standard No. 4d nail, 1½ inches long, is fastened to a 2x2 inch plate. The Gemco anchor bolt (right) is stated to be an easy and rapid method to install metal cabinets, outlet boxes, etc., on concrete, brick or tile.



AB14412—CEILING-WALL FAN—Signal Electric Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Menominee, Mich. Model CW-100 fan can be installed in side wall or ceiling; overall depth is only 3¾ inches. Frame is of cast aluminum for stronger, vibration-free, quiet operation. Two shutter vanes, one in the cast frame, one in the weatherhood, give double weather protection. Frame fits between 16 inch center joists or studs, accommodates standard 3¼x10 inch furnace duct. Totally enclosed, rubber mounted motor, chrome-plated grille.

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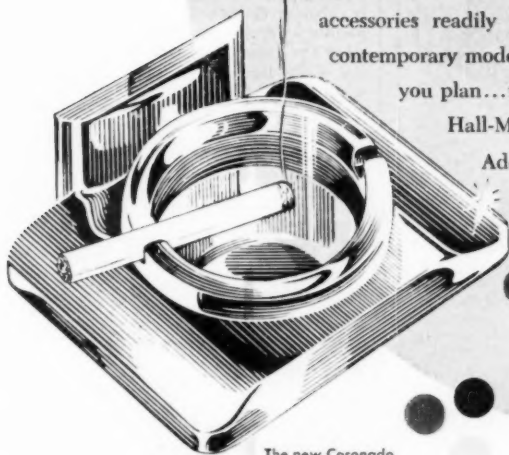
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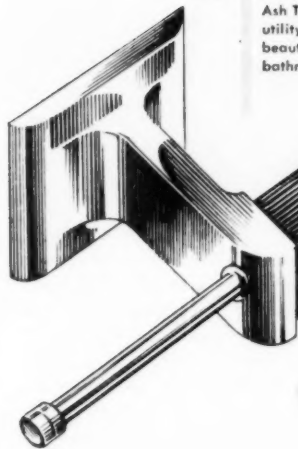
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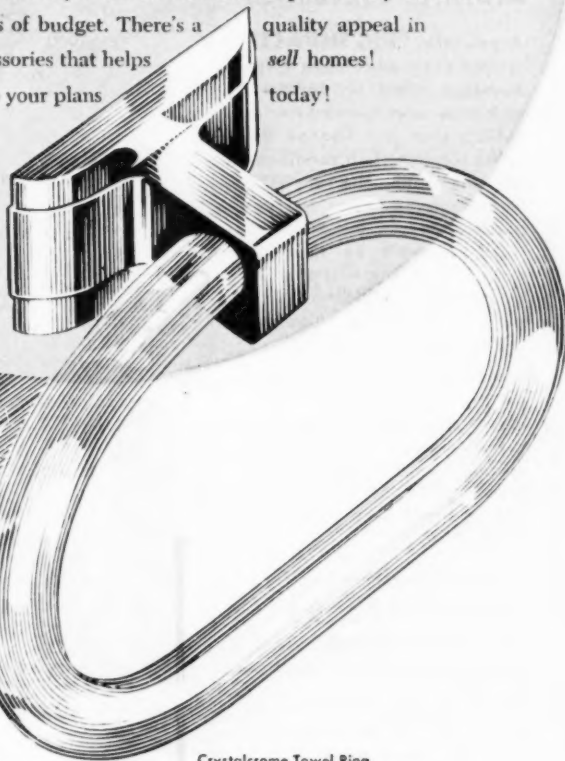
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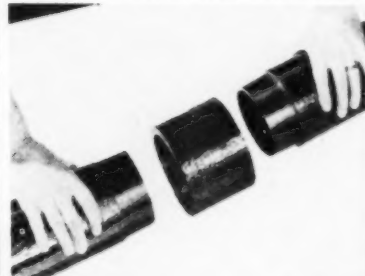
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AB14107—PLASTIC LAMINATE—The National Plastic Products Co., Dept. AB, Odenton, Md. "Nevamar" prefinished plastic laminate sheets are available for installation by the builder. Manufacturer states that kitchens can be made from inexpensive plywoods, then plastic laminates can be applied. Sheet patterns are wood grains, solid colors or novelty designs. Standard kitchen units are available using this laminate. Material withstands boiling water, cigarette burns, alcohol, acids, bleaches, etc.

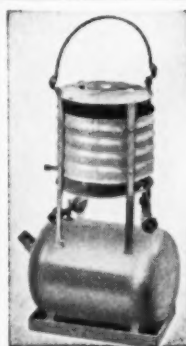


AB14400—ROOT-PROOF PIPE—Orangeburg Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 488 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Light-weight, non-metallic pipe is recommended for underground non-pressure uses, such as house-sewer connection, storm drains, etc. Joints require no caulking or compounds and remain root-proof and leak-proof even with moderate ground settlement. Pipe can be cut with a coarse-tooth saw and tooled in the field. Complete line of fittings and adapters is available. Sizes from 2 through 6 inches in diameter.



AB14323—UNIT KITCHEN—Murphy Bed and Kitchen Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 19 W. 44th St., New York 36, N. Y. The series 69 Dwyer Kitchen is available in 69" and 72" lengths for installation of either gas or electric range. This kitchen unit can be placed in a wall recess or on the surface of a wall and comes complete with sink and counter top refrigerator. The counter top is made of 14 gauge steel in one piece. Upper storage cabinet contains 13.75 cubic feet with 17.25 square feet of shelf area. Sink tops on recess models are 3" longer than on standard.

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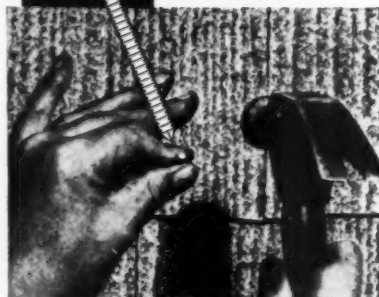
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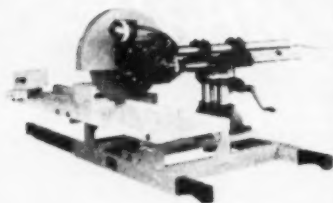


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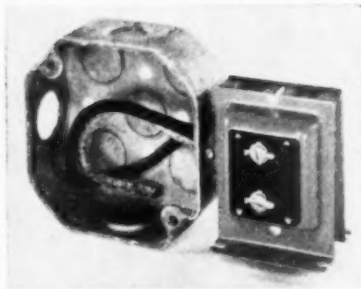
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AB14086—PORTABLE SAW—Master Woodworker Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 401 E. Fort St., Detroit 26, Mich. The new "Saw-Master Junior," a light-weight, portable, bench-type machine for cutting tile, brick, steel tubing, terra cotta, lumber, etc. It has a direct motor drive. Motor and saw travel on three tube slides moving on ball bearings enclosed in machine housing, assuring alignment and absence of vibration. Dials may be set to any position, permitting gauging different degrees of angles.



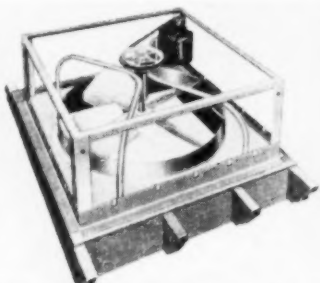
AB14367—KITCHEN CABINETS—Del Mar Cabinet Co., Inc., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 7, Sta. A, Atlanta, Ga. Modular cabinet units for each particular kitchen space, assuring complete accessibility, are fashioned for modern styling by combining selected materials and craftsmanship in a choice of natural birch or decorator colors. Kiln dried hardwood is used throughout. Drawers of dove-tail and lock joint construction have bottoms inserted in sides, front and back. Hinges countersunk in door stock for snug fit.



AB14050—TRANSFORMER—Edwards Co., Inc., Dept. AB, Norwalk, Conn. Fast mounting universal transformer mounts in 1/2-inch knock-outs by using an expandable nipple, adjustable by an outside set-screw. Device can be installed wherever a 1/2-inch knockout is located; it also has provision for surface mounting. Transformer is available in a complete range of secondary voltages in five and ten watt ratings. Standard primary is 115 volts, 60 cycle; other voltages and frequencies available.



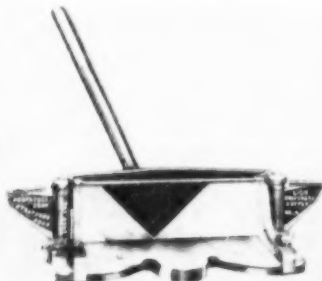
AB14089—GARAGE-DOOR HARDWARE—Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Aurora, Ill. A new hardware set known as R-W 199 designed to fit any size of residential garage door. It boasts a low purchase price and economical installation and has been designed to operate efficiently on doors weighing 75 lbs. to 175 lbs. A heavy duty set is available to give efficient performance on doors weighing from 175 lbs. to 375 lbs. The hardware can be installed with the usual tools. Each set has a spring stabilizer.



AB14403—ATTIC FAN—The Lou Blower Co., Dept. AB, 2001 Home Ave., Dayton 7, Ohio. The attic fan shown above was designed for homes with low-pitched roofs. It pulls air vertically up through ceiling openings and exhausts the stale air out through louvers in gable ends or openings under the eaves. It draws cool outside air in through open windows or doors. Unit is made of heavy-gauge metal with all-welded construction with lifetime lubricated sealed ball bearings. Four fan sizes available.



AB14236—MOTOR SCRAPER—Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 512, Milwaukee 1, Wis. Picture above shows Model TS-300 motor scraper moving earth on a large housing project. Earth was moved to level down a high hill otherwise unusable for building purposes. Earth was moved to an adjacent valley which was built up to a grade suitable for additional building sites. Manufacturer also makes crawler tractors, motor graders and similar earth-moving equipment, with variety of suitable accessories.



AB14113—WOOD TRIMMER—Pootatuck Corp., Dept. AB, 55 Sammis Pl., Stratford, Conn. The Lion Trimmer is a precision cutter that makes square cuts, miters, compound miters, bevels, rounds, and chamfer cuts on wood. The machine is six inches high, eight inches wide, and 22 3/4 inches long. It is operated manually with the operator holding the work with one hand and pushing or pulling the handle with the other. The manufacturer claims the machine will speed the trim-out or cabinet making operation for the builder.



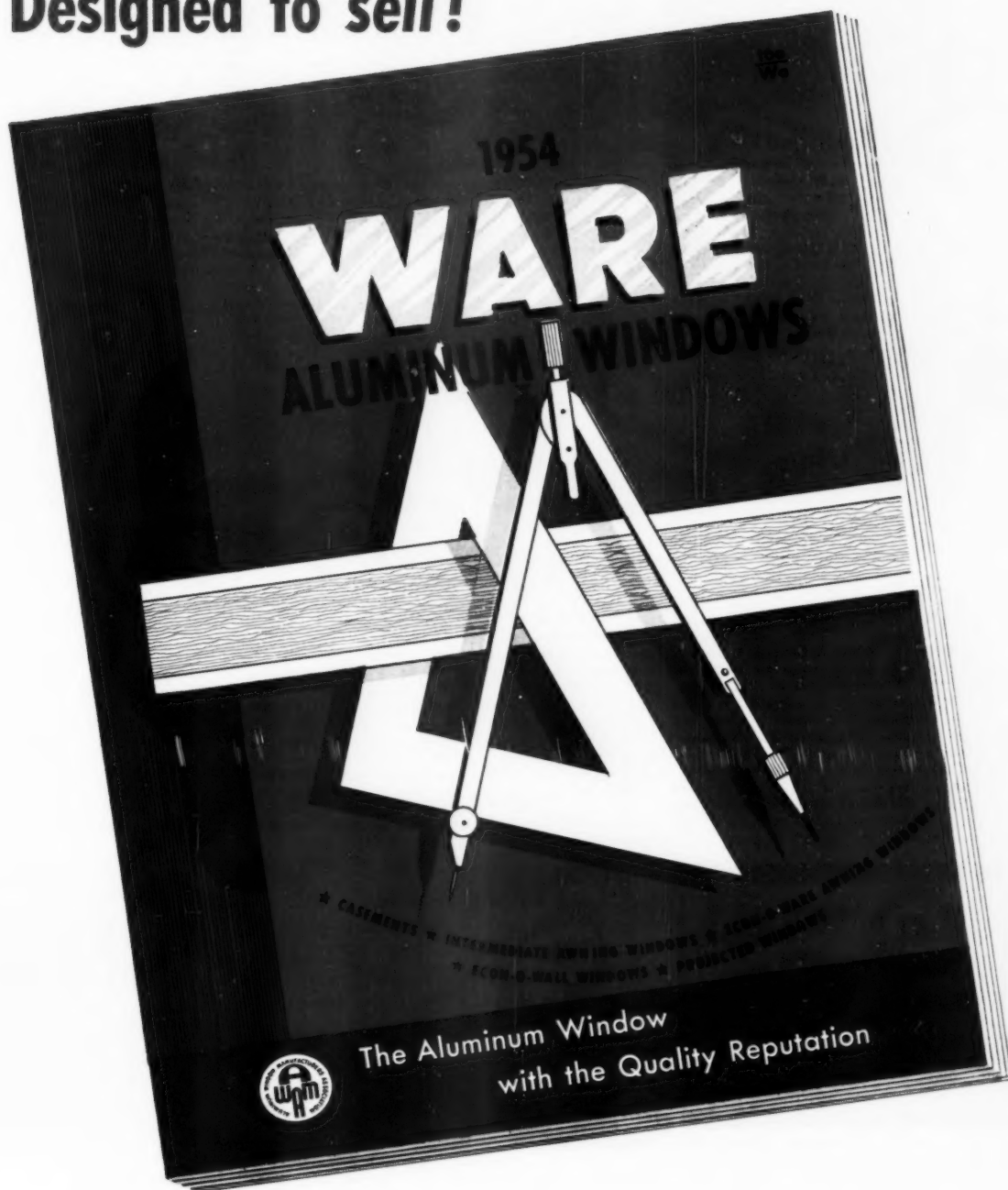
AB14301—PRINTING CALCULATOR—Remington Rand Inc., Dept. AB, 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y. Model 99 automatic calculator is stated to assure the easiest, fastest and most accurate production of figure work yet seen. Its ten-key, touch method keyboard activates a high speed mechanism which automatically calculates, proves and prints on tape any and all problems involving fully automatic multiplication, division, addition or subtraction. No matter how complex the factors, output per operator hour is greater.



AB14195—HEAVY-DUTY FASTENER—Powder Power Tool Co., Dept. AB, 7526 S.W. Macadam Ave., Portland 1, Ore. This Drive-It Model 410 uses specially loaded .38 caliber blank cartridges to drive hardened steel pins into concrete or steel. It can drive eight pins a minute. The tool pivots open at the breech for fast loading and automatic cartridge ejection. Another feature is the stripping lock, by which the tool can be disassembled for cleaning simply by releasing a detent lock. Unit has no accessories to attach.

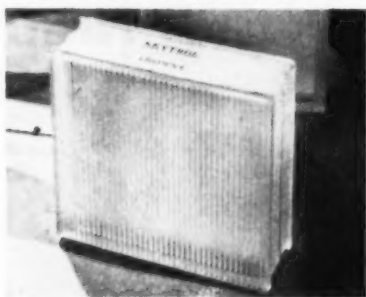
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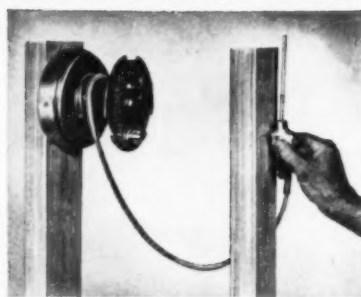
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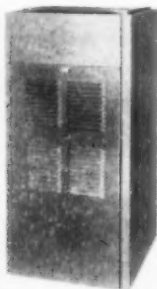
AB14233—GLASS BLOCK—Pittsburgh Corning Corp., Dept. AB, 307 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. The "Skytrol" light-diffusing glass block is designed for use in skylights, both structurally and optically. It is 12 inches square and four inches thick. The block was designed to overcome condensation, glare and heat gain and loss problems. A fibrous glass screen is sealed in the block, creating a double cavity; this gives higher insulating characteristics to the block and offers good daylighting control by diffusing light.



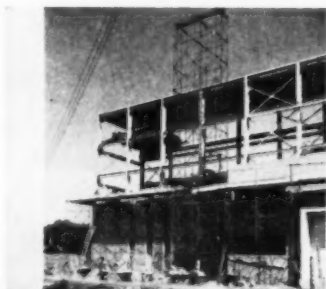
AB14048—TAPE RULE—Carlson & Sullivan, Inc., Dept. AB, 1714 California Ave., Monrovia, Calif. This 10-foot rule has a 3/4-inch white blade which is designed to extend further without buckling. It is useful in extending overhead and reach-in measurements. Lower edge of blade is graduated in inches, top edge in feet, giving user accurate conversion at once. Rule has automatic brake, centralized coil control and easy to read black markings on white surface. Swing tip assures further accuracy.



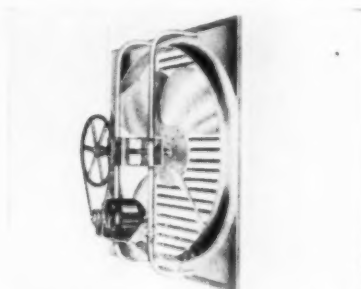
AB14085—TUBE LEVEL—Hydrolevel, Dept. AB, 59 DeSoto Ave., Ocean Springs, Miss. This device is a development of the simple tube level and has features which permit one-man operation outside, inside, down in an excavation or up under a ceiling. Hydrolevel is durable and compact, with no delicate parts to get out of adjustment. Its simplicity of operation makes it a mechanic's tool and frees engineers from close supervision of work crews. It is flexible, economical as a secondary level.



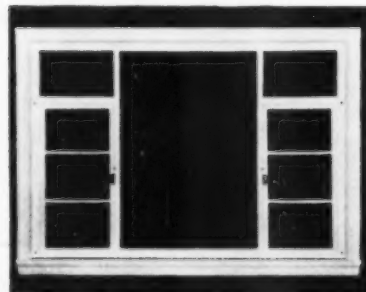
AB14398—AIR CONDITIONING FURNACE—H. C. Little Burner Co., Inc., Dept. AB, San Rafael, Calif. An oil furnace designed for first floor installation in a closet or small utility room saves needed floor space. Suited both to new construction and remodeling, this winter air conditioning furnace is a compact unit, 27 1/2 x 30 x 60 inches. It is listed by Underwriters' Laboratories for one inch clearance on sides and back. Automatic controls have filtered forced air circulation. Output rating is 82,000 Btu's per hour.



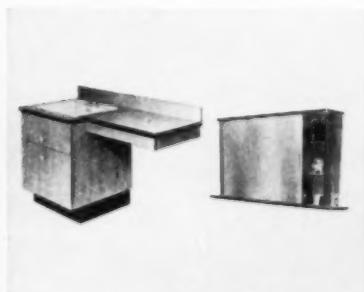
AB14358—MATERIAL HOIST TOWER—Safway Steel Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 6234 W. State St., Milwaukee 13, Wis. Medium-duty tower features fast erection, strength and quiet operation. It is 68 feet high and is useful in streamlining the material handling problem on construction jobs. Tower is made of high carbon tubular steel; end frames, made of six welded components, add rigidity and simplify handling of tower parts. Metal parts are corrosion-resistant treated. Tower has capacity of 3,100 pounds per hoist.



AB14324—WINDOW FAN—Murray Company of Texas, Inc., Dept. AB, 177 Harris St., Atlanta, Ga. Two new fans have been added to this company's line. One is a 16" window fan, shipping weight 54 pounds, which is portable and appointed to blend with surroundings. This ventilator is equipped with a handy carrying handle so it can be moved from room to room. It is quickly and easily installed in the window as an exhaust fan and easily removed from window for use as a floor circulator. The other is a 30" window fan.



AB14096—PICTURE WINDOWS—Brown-Graves Co., Dept. AB, Akron 1, Ohio. Known as the "34-B," this new picture window in the Bee Gee line features a new sash design that gives a lighter, airier appearance. It is supplied ready-glazed with double-strength "A" glass, and is a complete unit ready to set in the wall. Frame, fitted sash, copper screen and all hardware are installed at the factory. Brick opening on the "34-B" is 6' 0 7/8" x 4' 4". Stud opening: 6' x 4' 2 3/4". Sash size: 5' 9 1/8" x 3' 11 3/8".



AB14376—PLASTIC CABINETS—Atkins Plastic Products Co., Dept. AB, 103 101st St., Ozone Park, N. Y. Matching plastic medicine cabinet and vanity are well suited for modern home bathrooms. Cabinet is laminated plastic covered wood, designed for surface installation; offers nearly 1,000 square inches of unbroken mirror surface, nine lineal feet of adjustable shelf space. Hamper-style vanity is finished inside and out with laminated plastic; practical two-door clothes hamper makes use of limited bathroom space.



AB14312—SLIDING GLASS DOOR—Malibu Manufacturing Corp., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 11515, Briggs Sta., Los Angeles 48, Calif. These doors now feature an adjustable lock with a special safety arrangement that prevents damage to the lock when lock is in locked position when closing. Also adjustable bottom rollers accessible from the rear permitting vent adjustment to give a parallel fit with locking jamb. Positive firm adjustment by means of an adjustable top guide. Screen rollers easily adjusted by loosening nut, and sliding roller assembly up or down in slot.

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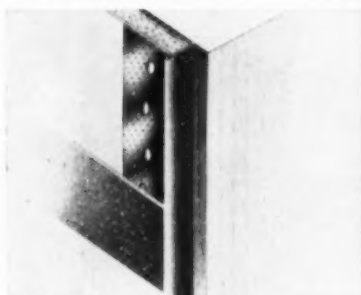
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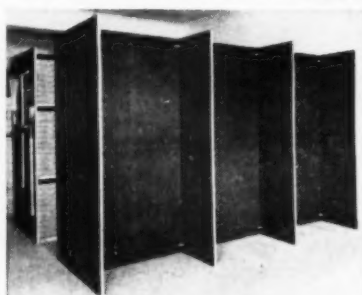
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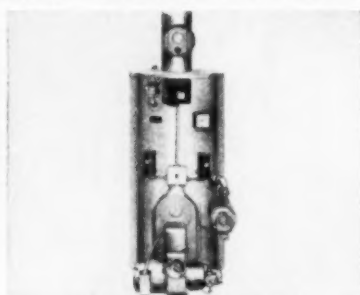
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AB14411—WALL BOARD CASING—Drywall Trim, Inc., Dept. AB, 2408 N. Farwell Ave., Milwaukee 11, Wis. New square "Edge Guard" is an improved steel casing that gives a protective, finished edge to wall board at door jambs or windows. Made in sizes for $\frac{3}{4}$ ", $\frac{1}{2}$ ", and $\frac{1}{4}$ "-inch board, the casing can be installed quickly simply by butting at corners and then nailing through wall board into stud. An added feature is the knurling for good spackle adhesion.



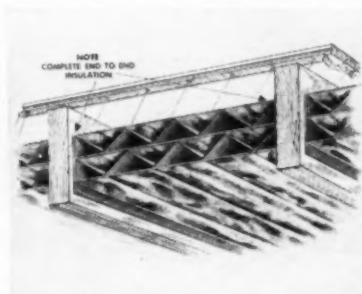
AB14189—PERFORATED PANELING—B. B. Butler Mfg. Co., Inc., Dept. AB, 3150 Randolph St., Bellwood, Ill. A new Peg-Board storage unit is designed for maximum 1,000-pound distributed load per shelf. In less than 30 minutes, two men using no tools can set up a two-sided, six-section unit containing 384 cubic feet of storage space. Shelves are hung simply by inserting shelf-hangers in holes. They lock into position. Uprights and shelves can be ordered to construct units to fit specific storage needs.



AB14034—BOILER-BURNERS—Aldrich Co., Dept. AB, 111 Williams St., Wyoming, Ill. These units were developed to furnish a compact hot water heating system. They are available in five sizes as standard, packaged or enclosed packaged units, supplying from 440 to 1,120 square feet of radiation. Multiple-flue tube construction, with special baffles installed inside each tube to force hot gases into contact with tube walls, permits maximum heat extraction and quick transfer of heat to water.



AB14363—FLOORING CLAMP—Jewett Products Co., Dept. AB, Woodbridge, Conn. This device eliminates the need for a helper to hold a pinch bar or other prying tool when carpenters are squeezing up the last boards of a floor for surface nailing. The floor layer simply drops the tool into place and tightens the hand screw, and the loose boards are pressed together and held tightly and safely for fastening. Use of tool assures considerable saving in labor and eliminates damaged walls. Clamp of forged steel.



AB14235—ALUMINUM INSULATION—Infra Insulation, Inc., Dept. AB, 525 Broadway, New York 12, N. Y. An improved form of multiple accordion aluminum insulation is available which gives complete insulation coverage over the entire surface it shields. The edges are vertical, at right angles to the rest of the insulation, and in close, parallel proximity to joists or studs. Depth of edges is uniform with rest of insulation for its full width. Condensation formation, heat and vapor flow are retarded along entire surface.



AB14393—GAS FLOOR FURNACE—Empire Stove Co., Dept. AB, Belleville, Ill. New furnaces are of the shallow type, embodying all present features, plus many additional ones of the manufacturer's floor furnaces. An improved vertical type burner is used. Furnaces are available in 25,000, 35,600, 50,000 and 68,000 Btu inputs. Units are finished in baked green enamel. They are designed to eliminate expansion and contraction noises usually common to heating appliances manufactured from sheet steel.



AB14080—SHADOW-LINE ROOF—GBH-Way Homes, Inc., Dept. AB, Walnut, Ill. A 24x40-foot, three-bedroom house with basement is designed with special shadow-line gable. These gables, with extended cornice to protect windows and doors from direct rays of the sun in summer and from inclement weather in winter, are a specialty with GBH. The house has flush doors throughout, aluminum insulation in sidewalls and two-inch blanket insulation in ceiling. Bath is lined with neutral color tile-board for four feet up.



AB14325—FIR PANEL PLYWOOD—St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Co., Dept. AB, Tacoma 2, Wash. A new "brushed grain" paneling is Tree Life brand Moire fir plywood. Texture created by wire brushing adds a third dimensional effect with natural highlights and shadows. Moire can be used for wall paneling, built-ins, gable ends, fences and exterior trim. Panels available in two appearance grades in standard 4x8 foot panels 5/16 inches thick. One piece, all-heartwood face veneers are selected for uniformity of grain; core voids eliminated.



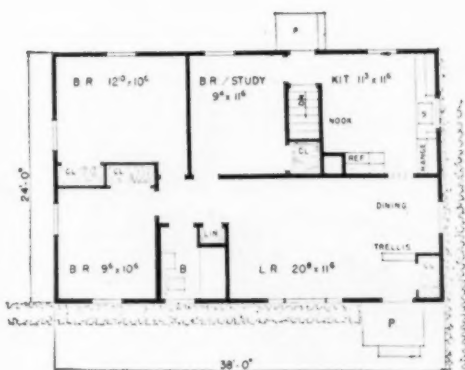
AB14100—MORTAR MIXER—Jaeger Machine Co., Dept. AB, 521 Dublin Ave., Columbus 16, Ohio. Model 3 1/2 PM, plaster mortar mixer, is one of the newest products in the line. The mixer is used by plaster contractors and also by masonry contractors for mixing mortar for laying up brick, concrete block, tile, etc. The mixer has a capacity of 3 1/2 cubic feet per batch for mixed ingredients and is powered with a Wisconsin air-cooled engine. Company also makes self-priming pumps, portable compressors, other construction machinery.

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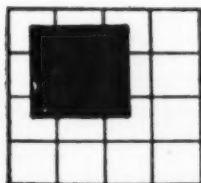
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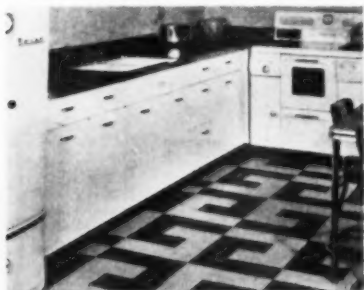


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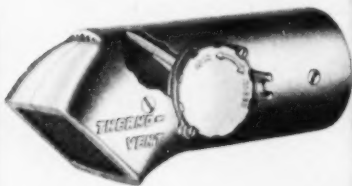
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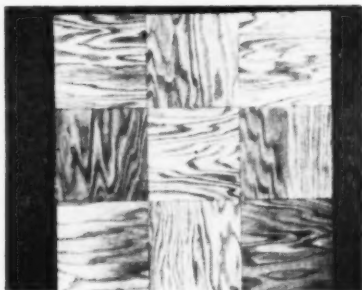
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AB14078—PLASTIC-ASBESTOS TILE—Flintkote Co., Tile-Tex Division, Dept. AB, 1232 McKinley Ave., Chicago Heights, Ill. Flexachrome vinyl plastic-asbestos floor tile is offered for the kitchen or for installations throughout the entire house. It is greaseproof and resists acids and alkalis. There is a wide choice of colors including marbled designs. Color and marbleization go all the way through each tile and are not a coating or lamination. It is recommended also for basement installations.



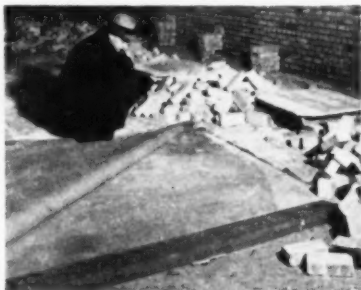
AB14040—FRESH AIR INTAKE—Damp-Vent Co., Dept. AB, Bettendorf, Iowa. Automatic control called Thermo-Vent supplies house with fresh air day and night the year around. Device is automatically opened and closed by a sealed thermostat. Regardless of varying temperature conditions, unit constantly controls fresh supply of home air. It opens as temperature rises and closes to keep out cold. Air is constantly recirculated throughout home enabling realization of considerable fuel savings.



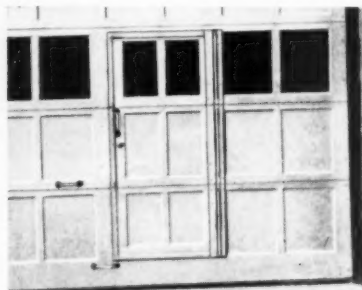
AB14318—BLOCK FLOORING—Connor Lumber and Land Co., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 112-G, Marshfield, Wis. "Lay Bloc" laminated Wisconsin oak flooring, pre-finished in unit blocks, is not subject to swelling or shrinkage. Manufacturer also makes "Laytite" line of Rock Hard Maple and birch, regular strip for nailing and pattern items for nailing or in mastic over concrete. Eased edges prevent pinching of paper, speed up floor laying, tend to make more even floors. Nailing groove hides all nail heads.



AB14185—POWER FASTENER—Ramset Fasteners, Inc., Dept. AB, 12113 Berea Road, Cleveland 11, Ohio. The new Jobmaster 3/8-inch barrel assembly (bottom) shown next to the standard 1/4-inch barrel Jobmaster, nearly doubles the applications for this powder-actuated fastener. After a minor modification needed for some standard Jobmasters now in the field, the two barrels can be readily interchanged on the job. Ramset Division of Olin Industries, Inc., is one of the largest producers of powder-actuated tools.



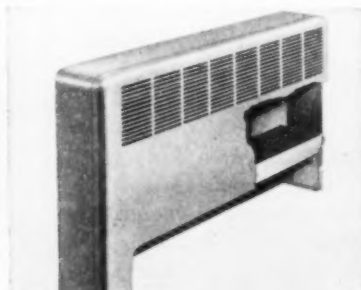
AB14044—PROTECTIVE PAPER—The Rickkraft Co., Dept. AB, 510 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 10, Ill. Skulpruf paper is designed to protect brick courses in winter after work has ceased for the day, to prevent freezing rain and snow from getting into the courses. Paper acts as a positive stop against the weather. It can be used to cover poured concrete slabs, for closing in new construction when weather might delay the job. Also recommended as a material and equipment cover. Available in rolls 3 to 8 and 10 feet wide.



AB14117—WICKET DOOR—The Howell Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Cottman St. and Hasbrook Ave., Philadelphia 11, Pa. The wicket or pass door now built into the Howell-Dor upward acting garage door has 12 gauge steel hinges for precision operation. The pass door is 30x65 inches and can be installed in sectional upsweep doors from six feet wide and as low as seven feet in height. The pass or wicket door can be made in any size and installed in any part of the garage door. Installation time is at a minimum.



AB14407—BUILT-IN GAS RANGES—Western-Holly Appliance Co., Dept. AB, Culver City, Calif. This custom-designed equipment is available in stainless steel (shown) or white and pastel colors of yellow, green or blue porcelain enamel. The built-in cook top unit gives more work space around the cooking center. Utensil storage space is provided where it is needed, in cabinets, under the cook top. Automatic oven and broiler unit may be installed in a wall or cabinet at the height and location most convenient.



AB14039—CONVECTOR RADIATORS—Bush Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, South St., West Hartford 10, Conn. These elements are constructed of seamless copper tubes, aluminum fins and heavy copper tubular headers. Tubes and headers are joined with solder. Tubes are mechanically expanded into fins having deformed hole collars which provide permanent fin-to-tube contact area. Tappings are available for two-pipe steam (vapor-vacuum) and two-pipe hot water heating systems as well as special elements for one-pipe steam systems.



AB14321—UNDERCOURSING STRIP—The Ruberoid Co., Dept. AB, 500 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y. Shadowedge is a new 12"x36" asphalt undercoursing strip. It tapers from 1/16" at head to 5/16" at butt. The thick lower edge thrusts the lower edge of the siding shingle forward, creating a deep-shadow effect. The company claims that because Shadowedge is essentially an asphalt weather strip, it gives added insulation, greater weather protection and provides a cushion for the overlapping course of siding, effecting tighter nailing, less breakage.

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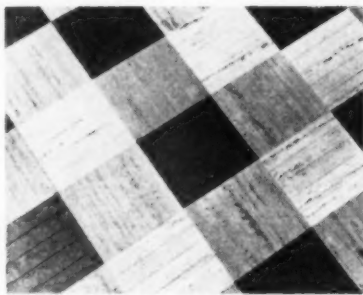
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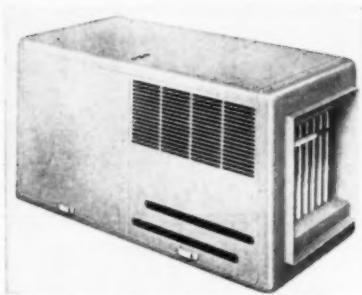
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AB14026—ELECTRIC JIG SAW—Dalton Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 20 S. Central Ave., St. Louis 5, Mo. This unit is designed to do work of a rip, cross-cut, coping, jig, scroll, band and keyhole saw. It can be held and guided with one hand, comes with five different types of blades for cutting wood, plastics, composition, etc. Saw can rip and cross cut 2x4s, thus is useful on new construction and repair projects. It can saw circles, curves and in inaccessible locations. Saw makes own starting hole for inside cuts.



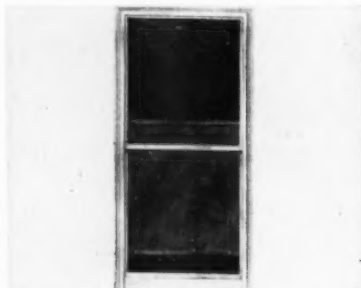
AB14248—PLASTIC FLOOR TILE—Mastic Tile Corporation of America, Dept. AB, Joliet, Ill., or Newburgh, N. Y. "Parquetry" Tile is a plastic-fortified flooring made in 9x9 inch size, 1/8-inch thick. In random shades of oak, maple, mahogany and walnut, the tile simulates the beauty of wood parquet flooring. Shades can be used individually or together in a striking random pattern. Tile can be installed on, above or below grade. It installs easily and quickly and is easy to keep clean; resists scratches, stains.



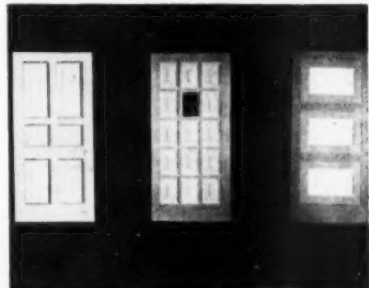
AB14088—HORIZONTAL FURNACE—Reznor Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Mercer, Pa. The Reznor PAC (Package Automatic Comfort) is a completely enclosed unit designed to serve all conventional perimeter, microduct and special forced air heating requirements. Everything, including controls, is included and enclosed within the compact case. Features include: Reznor Air-Form heat exchanger, centrifugal blower, air filter channels and automatic control system. Small dimensions and appliance-styled look.



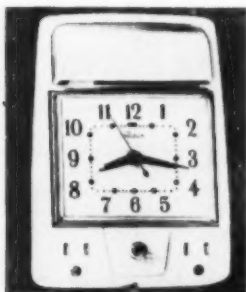
AB14177—HEAVY-DUTY TRUCK—Chevrolet Motor Division, Dept. AB, General Motors Bldg., Detroit 2, Mich. The stake bodies in the 1954 Chevrolet truck line have greater loading space with platforms both longer and wider inside the racks. Platform heights are lower, making it easier to load. New power is provided with the three new engines which combine greater horsepower with more economy. The cab gives increased comfort and safety. Photo shows the 12-foot stake body on heavy-duty chassis in the 6400 series.



AB14181—STORM-SCREEN WINDOW—Alumatic Corp. of America, Dept. AB, 2081 S. 56th St., Milwaukee, Wis. Alumatic's 3-track aluminum storm-screen window features a patented action for smoother operation and three full tracks for easier changing every season. Alumatic also offers a new Royal combination storm-screen door made of hollow aluminum extrusions, light in weight but durable. Storms can be changed to screens in a few minutes. Line has a clean-cut functional look suitable for any home.



AB14402—PANEL ENTRANCE DOORS—M and M Wood Working Co., Dept. AB, 2310 N. Columbia Blvd., Portland, Ore. A series of new panel entrance doors in eleven selected designs has been introduced. Architects now may choose panel doors created to suit modern, contemporary and ranch style architecture. The designs are, in most instances, interchangeable to an extent with various types of architecture. Some will work equally well in ranch style and contemporary homes, others will fit contemporary or modern.



AB14247—WALL CLOCK—Telechron Department of General Electric Co., Dept. AB, Ashland, Mass. The "Tel-in-Wall" is a built-in electric clock with night light and two appliance outlets. It is being used in several "Trade Secrets" and many other model homes. The compact unit, which shows no cord, was planned especially for bathrooms and kitchens. Case is white plastic, 7 1/8 inches high by 4 7/8 inches wide; dial is white with black numerals and red hour dots; hands are black, except sweep second, which is red.



AB14198—HOME SWITCH CONTROL—Bulldog Electric Products Co., Dept. AB, Box 177, Detroit 32, Mich. Bulldog Pushmatic Electric-Centers are the modern version of the old-fashioned fuse box. They eliminate fiddling with fuses. When lights or appliances suddenly go off, one of the buttons in the Electric-Center indicates "Off." Once the trouble is fixed, this button is pushed to restore the current. There is a separate Pushmatic to cover every circuit. When extra circuits are added, units to protect them can be added.

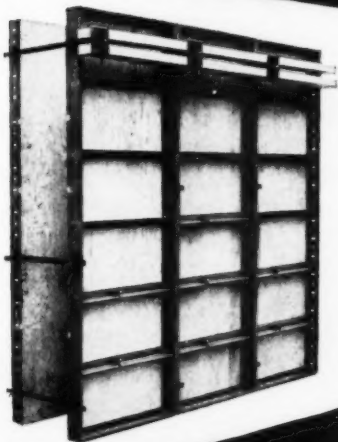


AB14303—FIREPLACE UNIT—Superior Fireplace Co., Dept. AB, 1708 E. 15th St., Los Angeles 21, Calif. Heatform fireplace delivers four to five times more heat than a standard fireplace. It is built with furnace principles. It has double metal walls with spacious air heating chambers which surround the lower firebox and upper throat. Cool air is drawn from the floor into the lower portions of the heating chambers. There it is heated by contacting the hot metal, and returned into the room by outlet grilles on face or sides.

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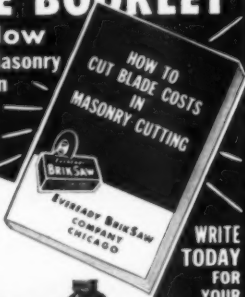


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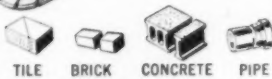


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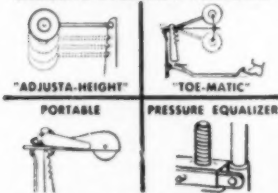
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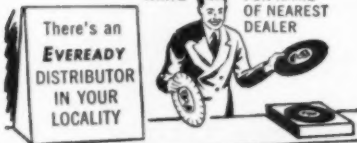
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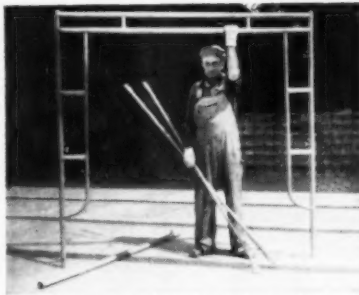


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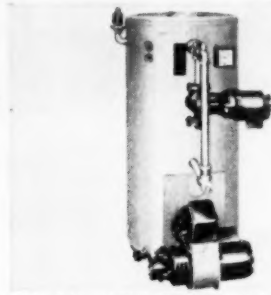
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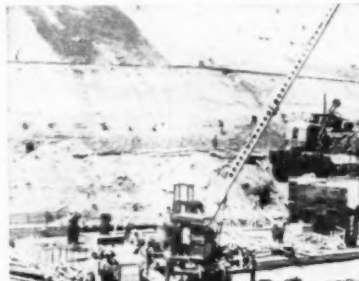
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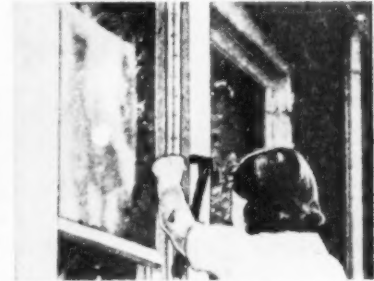
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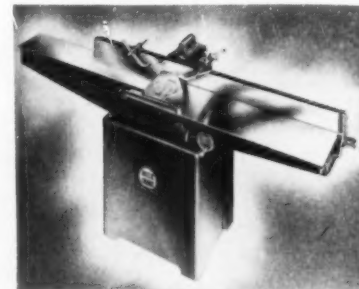
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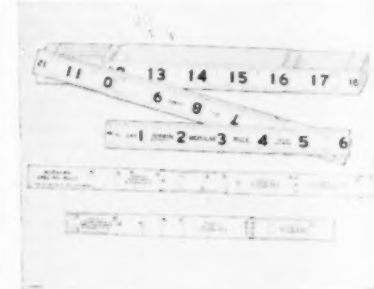
AB14186—HYDRAULIC CRANE—Bucyrus-Erie Co., Dept. AB, South Milwaukee, Wis. There is a new improvement in the boom design of the Bucyrus-Erie H-3 Hydracrane, which cuts down on weight while providing extra strength for handling tough jobs. Sides of the boom are punched with circular holes which lighten yet leave a strong, web-like construction. Both upper and lower boom sections are made of two formed steel channels welded together to form a box section. The new boom retains the telescoping action.



AB14037—WEATHERSTRIP—Robert N. Baltz & Co., Dept. AB, 1009 Harvard Terrace, Evanston, Ill. All-metal weatherstrip assures better heating, ventilating and air conditioning at low cost. The product is made of two nine-gauge zinc interlocking members forming a draft control for use on new or old windows. Surface installation seals window or door against moisture, rain and dust, besides keeping homes warmer in winter, cooler in summer. Product can be applied without removing sash; is nearly invisible.



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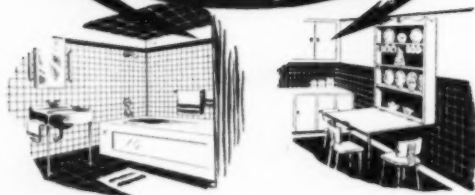
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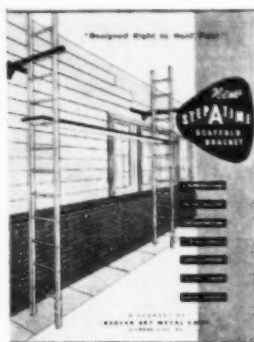


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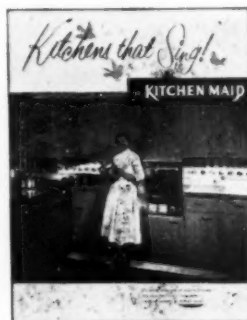
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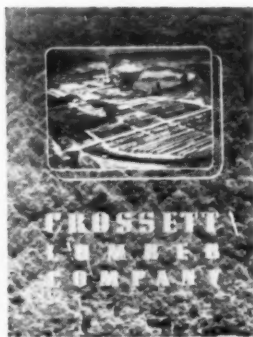


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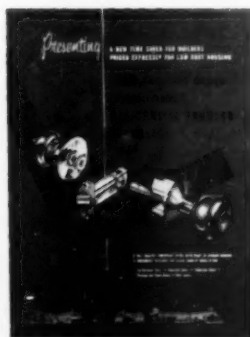
454 — WOOD CABINET KITCHENS—16-page catalog in four colors presents modern kitchen layouts, stressing efficiency of work centers to save unnecessary steps. New laundry units include slide-out ironing board, clothes drying rack and laundry cart. Catalog also presents 15 effective color combinations useful in kitchen planning. Do's and don'ts of layout also included, with pictured suggestions of kitchen conveniences in actual installations. The Kitchen Maid Corp., Dept. AB, Andrews, Ind.



455 — ARKANSAS SOFT PINE—its uses, wide application, versatility, how it is being conserved and its sources of supply are brought out in this attractive 30-page brochure. Logging of this widely used product is carried out on a sustained yield basis. Its manufacturing methods and equipment are described. Such uses as for sheathing and sub-flooring, interior woodwork, and millwork cut stock are given. Crossett Lumber Co., Dept. AB, Crossett, Ark.



456 — RESIDENTIAL LOCKSETS—available in brass or aluminum with matching decorative handles and escutcheon are offered in this six-page, three-color folder. Construction features, including cutaway drawings of knobs, tumbler cylinders, steel cases are given. Installation procedure, showing step-by-step method with templates also included. The Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Yale Lock & Hardware Div., Dept. AB, Stamford, Conn.



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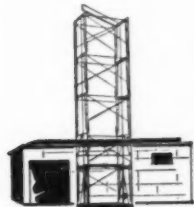
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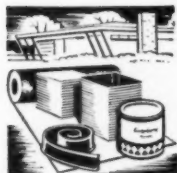


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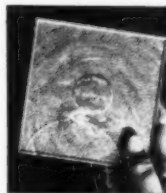
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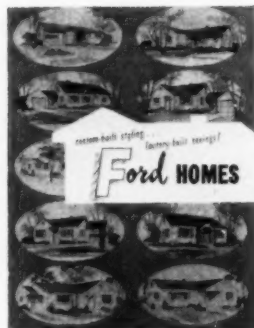
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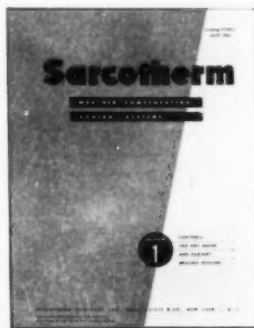


457 — PREFABRICATED HOMES—six-page folder includes floor plans and descriptions of eleven different two- and three-bedroom homes. Maker stresses custom-built styling, modern design and efficient planning. More than 50 basic models to choose from. Garages, attached or detached, available with exterior finishes to complement these homes which comply with NHA, FHA and U. S. Bureau of Standards requirements. Ivon R. Ford, Inc., Dept. AB, McDonough, N. Y.

458 — METAL MOLDINGS, ACCESSORIES—as well as equipment and tools are listed in this new dealer's catalog, containing prices, descriptive copy and suggested resale prices of the company's complete line, including wall and counter coverings, cabinet and kitchen hardware, adhesives, cements, workroom and display equipment, floor maintenance machines, masons' tools, sink rims and frames, etc. Walter H. Selck & Co., Dept. AB, 225 W. Hubbard St., Chicago 10, Ill.



459 — WEATHER COMPENSATION CONTROLS—16-page catalog deals with weather-compensated control systems for hot water heating, radiant heating and warm-air systems. Complete line of outdoor controls is described, together with technical data and typical specification forms, including outdoor control, outdoor-indoor control, a sensitive device for radiant heat determination, etc. Sarcotherm Controls, Inc., Dept. AB, Empire State Bldg., New York 1, N.Y.



460 — SUBMERSIBLE PUMPS—for farms, homes and industrial use are offered in this six-page folder. Complete specifications are given on all pumps of 1/4 to 3 h.p. Other models are available with ratings up to 22 1/2 h.p. Capacities range from 300 to 30,000 g.p.h., with lifts up to 2,400 feet. Sketches show a cutaway view of a pump with a typical installation. Dayton Pump & Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 500 N. Webster St., Dayton 1, Ohio.



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Preview of a SMASH HIT!



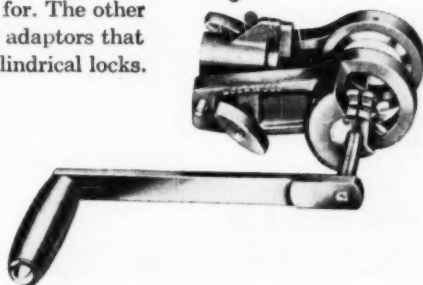
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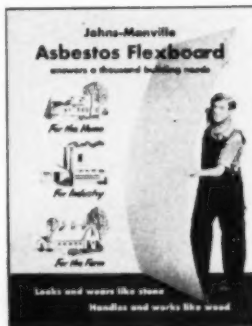


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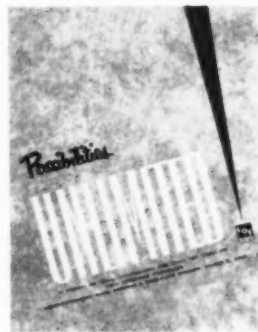
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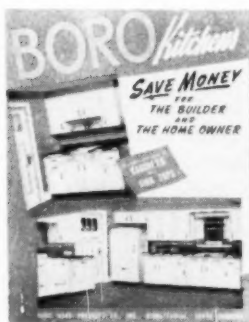


462 — FIBER GLASS PRODUCTS—how to improve the efficiency and reduce production costs of many products by using superfine fiberglass is the subject of this new 16-page booklet called "Possibilities Unlimited." The lightweight and high insulating efficiency make this material a recommended insulator in many products where temperature and sound control is vital. Libby-Owens-Ford Glass Co., Dept. AB, Nichols Bldg., Toledo 3, Ohio.

461—ASBESTOS SHEETING—non-combustible asbestos-cement building board is made in sheets 4x8 or 4x4 feet, in 1/8, 3/16- and 1/4-inch thicknesses. This 12-page brochure describes manufacture of Flexboard under pressure, later re-pressed to provide strength and flexibility, making it adaptable to curved as well as straight surfaces. Brochure shows how Flexboard can be used in residential, industrial fields. Johns-Manville, Dept. AB, 22 E. 40th St., New York 16, N. Y.



463 — CABINETS AND SINK TOPS—in a wide variety of styles are offered in this four-page folder. Standard 18-, 24-, 30- and 42-inch cabinets are made with one, two and three shelves. Combination wall cabinets are made in 30- and 42-inch heights. Deluxe and standard sink cabinets, base cabinets, open corner shelves, sink fronts, corner base cabinets are shown; sink tops and counter tops also available. Boro Wood Products, Inc., Dept. AB, Bennettsville, S. C.



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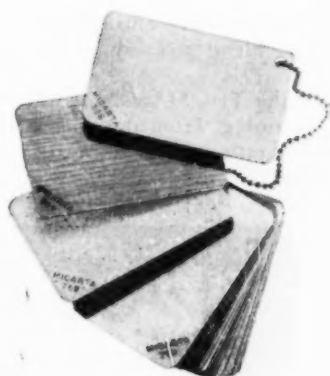
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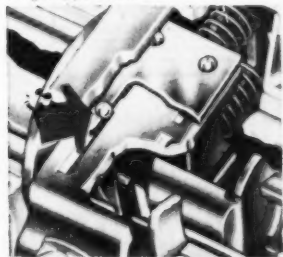
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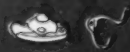
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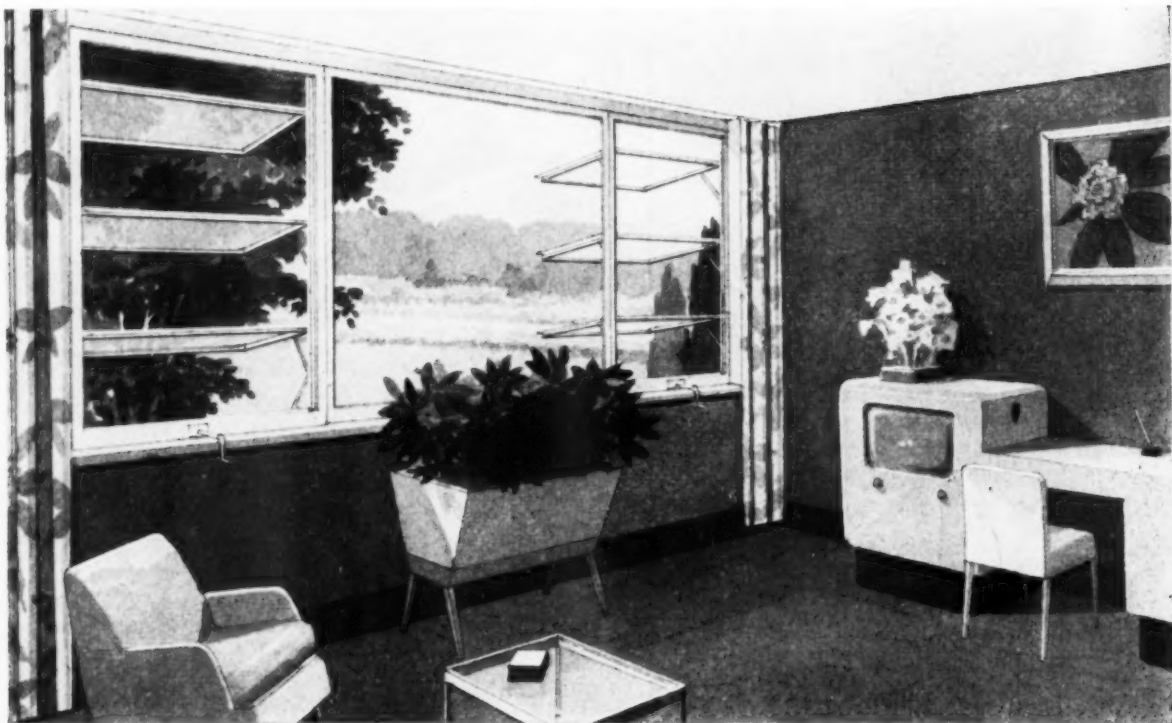
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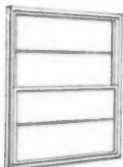
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The following pages contain pin-pointed factual examples of each of the four fields of operation, presented to illustrate the way in which builders in various parts of the country already have part or all of the program in effect. It suggests the need for closer coordination of all segments of the light construction industry, and documents the fact that, barring a general economic recession or large scale warfare, the outlook for 1954 and the years ahead is bright.

1 NEW CONSTRUCTION

Barring an economic catastrophe, the demand for new residential units, both owner occupied and rental, should continue firm throughout 1954. Improved selling techniques to supplement the demand can provide a market that again will absorb more than 1,000,000 starts. This will mean a continuing and possibly increased demand for stores, service buildings, churches and other types of light construction that accompany new communities and increased home ownership. The demand for new schools will rise sharply. Indications are that mortgage money will be easier. The great need is for a new and broader secondary mortgage market. It is expected that new legislation and NAHB policies will provide that market on a continuing basis early this year.

2 TRADE-IN-SELLING

This is one of the new selling techniques that is gaining wide favor. Backed by better advertising and promotion together with improved point-of-sale merchandising it offers the greatest potential of all the new techniques for stimulating a market that will absorb a million or more new units in each of the next several years. See the July issue of *American Builder* for a complete analysis of the four approved and most popular methods of operating a trade-in selling program.

3 REMODELING

Practically everything from extraordinary maintenance and simple improvements to major overhauling and re-design are usually lumped under the head of remodeling. That part of the broad category which requires the services of professional designers and builders has attracted several hundred building specialists who concentrate on remodeling. Because of the size of the market these professionals are able, generally, to pick their jobs. The opportunities are almost unmeasurable, but most builders understandably side-step remodeling except at times when the market for new construction falls off. The demand for remodeling is beginning to outstrip the capacity of the industry, as witness the "do-it-yourself" movement, born of necessity. The time has come for the industry to expand its remodeling services, and for retail lumber dealers and professional builders to set up advisory services to do-it-yourself owners.

4 BLIGHT ARREST AND REHABILITATION

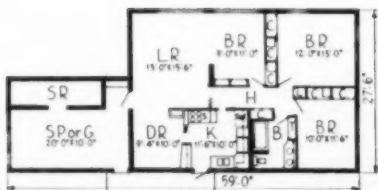
For the past two years NAHB has been devoting serious thought to this field, which goes beyond remodeling. A program was developed, and Yates Cook was retained to implement it. Results thus far have been more than encouraging. Traceable to Cook's activities, particularly his pilot block redevelopment in New Orleans, are definite programs projected in more than forty cities for 1954. Decent housing for all Americans is increasingly an important public issue. It will be an issue in local elections of the future. The demonstrated solution to the two-barrelled problem of arresting housing decay and rehabilitating slums is aggressive leadership by local builders—securing proper local housing statutes, demanding their enforcement, and making professional repair and rehabilitation services available. Here is another immeasurable field for builder operation.

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4-POINT PROGRAM

new construction to maintain high

more house for the money sure hit for '54



Martin L. Bartling Jr., Knoxville, Tennessee, plans this \$12,800 two-bedroom house with convertible den for this year's market. The house incorporates storage walls, a screened porch-carport, and double vanity-lavatories in the bath.



small shopping centers to be numerous this year



New housing developments have created a need for convenient shopping centers. The past six months have seen a tremendous rise in this type of construction. There is every indication that it will continue in 1954.



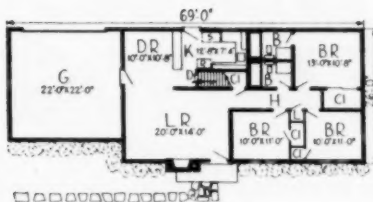
demand is heavy for new and remodeled store buildings

Single-store buildings will run high this year in established shopping areas. Many small project and custom builders will capitalize on this market. Financing for single-store buildings will be available in 1954.

level in 1954

Residential building will maintain high unit volume with commercial building increasing. With the lifting of rent control, apartment building should spurt ahead. The financing picture will improve. New legislation streamlining FHA is due

no sharp style changes this year

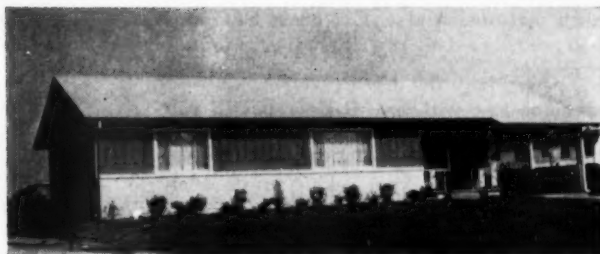


This three-bedroom brick house built by Nicholson-Bilhorn of Clayton, Missouri, features larger-than-average rooms and two complete baths. One of the baths adjoins the master bedroom. Twenty-six units are being started for 1954 sales.

apartment construction to increase this year

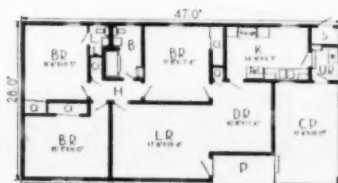


With the lifting of federal rent control in 1953, apartment construction began to move. Many of the nation's top builders are either engaged in apartment construction, or are contemplating it. Nathan Manilow, Chicago builder, is constructing the type of apartment pictured above in Des Plaines, Illinois, a Chicago suburb.



multiple baths and adequate wiring will be sales features

Floyd T. Kimbrough, Jackson, Mississippi, will offer this house in 1954. It features simple lines, multiple baths, wiring to accommodate modern electrical living and a convertible den.



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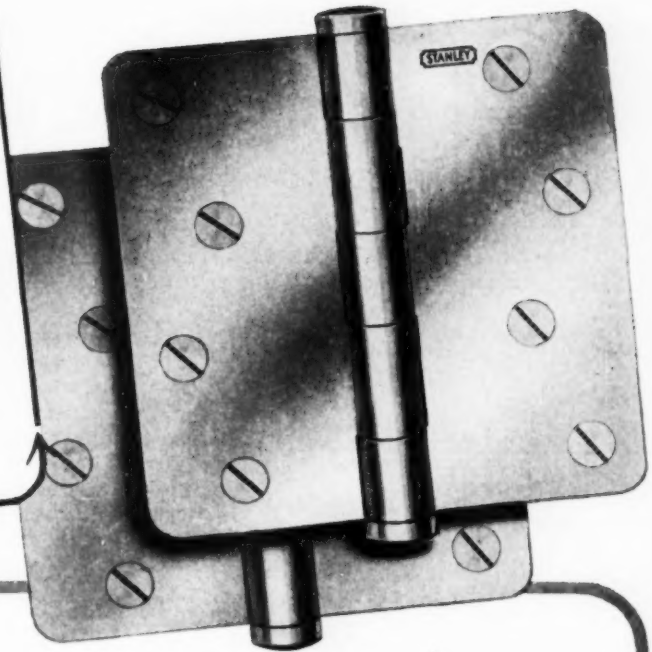


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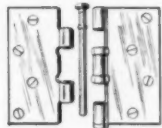
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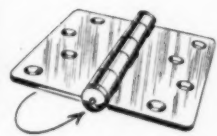
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TRADE-INS — the key to a NEW MARKET



ADDITIONAL capital outlay, expert financing, and appraisals are the things required for trading, according to Arthur K. Hellermann, Milwaukee builder. Hellermann, who has been trading about a year, went into the operation to maintain his volume and believes it will be an ever increasing part of his building venture.

Capital outlay for trading, according to Hellermann, requires about fifty per cent more than that needed for a normal operation. A twenty-house builder needs \$40,000,

stated Hellermann. He will need an additional \$20,000 of capital for trading.

Appraising is the key to trading. Hellermann uses recent sales experience of like properties in like neighborhoods as his appraising criteria.

FHA, VA, bank, home and loan, second mortgages, land contracts and chattel notes are used by the Milwaukee builder for the financing of older houses.

Hellermann uses the services of a realty firm, Better Homes of Milwaukee, to sell trade-in houses.

owner's inflated price—trading's problem



The trade-in guarantee method whereby the house is listed at the owner's price for 30 days was used. If house is not sold, builder takes it at the fair market value. House was appraised at \$17,500 to be traded on a \$37,500 triplex. Older house will be offered for \$18,500.

trade-in potential big part of 4-point program

TRADE-IN selling to date is a drop-in-the-bucket operation. Nationwide, few builders use it as a sales tool. Yet each day the number of traders grows as builders are re-evaluating their operations and ear-marking additional sums to engage in the industry's newest merchandising technique. Four types of trading operations are used by builders (see *American Builder*, July, 1953).

Straight Trade is made when a definite commitment by the builder is given an owner of an older house in the purchase of a new house.

Time-Limit Trade involves signing a purchase agreement for a new house with a specified time for the owner to sell his older house. If the older house is not sold, the agreement expires.

Trade-In Guarantee is the technique by which a builder will allow a specified amount for the older house (usually 15 per cent less than appraisal) and try to sell it at the owner's asking price. If the older house is not sold during the new house construction period, the builder takes it at the specified amount.

Remodeled Trade consists of the builder's taking in an older house and remodeling it before placing it on the market. Despite FHA's trade-in program (*American Builder*, October, 1953) builders are not remodeling older houses. Only minimum repairs are made before the resale. Builders who are following *American Builder's* tested trading principles are profiting.



The builder allowed \$11,000 on the older, two-flat building. The owners had \$6,700 equity which they applied to the new house priced at \$12,975. The balance, slightly over \$6,000, is mortgaged. The older house sold at \$11,700 with a \$10,150 VA loan. Down payment was \$1,550.

**hard to sell house? don't cut price—
sweeten the deal
on the trade-in**



financing know-how a must in trading

Owner had \$1,650 equity in 2-bedroom house appraised at \$10,000. The \$1,650 plus two lots worth \$550 made the \$2,200 down payment. Owner has a first mortgage of \$7,500 and a second mortgage of \$2,350. Older house sold at

\$10,800 on land contract at \$125 a month. When balance of contract equals the balance of the existing mortgage, the contract expires and the owner assumes the mortgage. It will be off the books in two and one-half years.



appraising—key to the trading operation



Older property values are the most important feature of trade-in selling. Here is where profits are made or lost, according to the builder. Hellermann, who allowed \$11,500 on an old house, later

sold it for \$12,000. Owner had \$10,000 equity but applied only \$8,500 on the new \$14,500 house. Balance is a \$6,000 mortgage. Older house sold for \$1,800 cash, \$2,200 lot credit, \$8,000 mortgage.

When builder Hellermann has a new house which is hard to sell, he allows more on the trade-in. In the case of a new house situated next to a very poor lot which impaired its value, Hellermann believed he would lose \$500 on the deal. He allowed \$17,000 on the older house and later sold it for \$16,900 losing \$100. He did get his \$21,000 price for the new house.

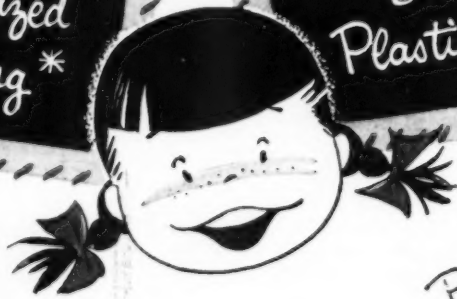
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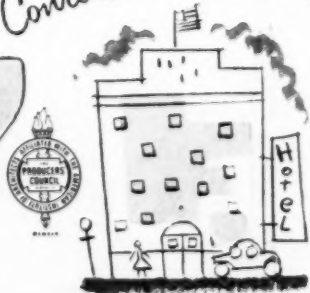
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remodeling—long neglected

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Grand Rapids was the first city in the country to feature remodeling during National Home Week. This year a few others followed suit, although on a smaller scale. Newspapers, radio, and television stations were given a ready-made news promotion that netted the city a great deal of publicity. The keen interest of the citizens of Grand Rapids shows the need for and backlog of remodeling. The same is true in other parts of the country.

The National Home Week modernization promotion is sponsored by the Allied Construction and the Real Estate Council.

Publicity concerning the remodeling contest was first released early in the spring at the annual home show. Entries are received prior to National Home Week and winners are announced during the Week.

Judges for the 1953 contest were Edward G. Gavin, editor, *American Builder* magazine; John Brunsink, president, Grand Rapids Home Builders Association; Robert B. Miller, local FHA office; and Joe Hertel of the Grand Rapids Real Estate Board.

The judges' decision was based on community improvement, raising the value of the property, and bettering living conditions.

here's how Grand Rapids

judges split first award



\$5,600 remodeling job increased the value of this home. Owners gained garage, breezeway, sun porch, and a new brick exterior and larger kitchen.



This narrow old-fashioned frame house was widened. At the same time the owner improved the exterior appearance.



money maker

is selling remodeling

REMODELING MARKET DUE FOR INCREASE

Dollar volume of remodeling has been approximately one-tenth of the new housing market. Today the need for remodeling is greater than ever. Increased birth rate has made many two-bedroom homes (1946 to 1950 era) too small. Many owners of these units have too little equity to think of trading, but with new FHA Title I loans expected this year, these owners will be able to expand. Most houses 20 or more years old are in need of modernization and repair.

streamlining of older property and additional living facilities share second prize



The owner streamlined his older house by tearing off the porches and replacing them with a neat front entryway. An apartment was built upstairs and the exterior was re-sided.

A garage and bedroom were added to the side of this frame colonial. At the rear a 12x24-foot addition was built to increase the kitchen and dining facilities. When the house was built in 1945 the family numbered three; now it has grown to seven.



A wing was built on the front of this small two-bedroom house and the exterior was veneered with brick. A new heating plant was installed and the house was completely decorated.



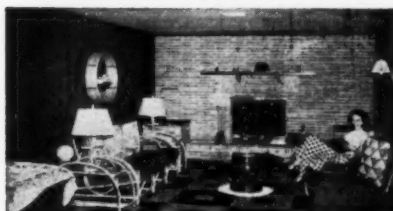
new house for old wins honorable mention



basement remodeling wins \$50 honorable mention



Half of the basement was converted into a 13x36-foot recreation room. Fireplace and wood boxes were built at one end. The walls were covered with wood and 16x16 acoustical blocks were applied to the ceiling. The floor has asphalt tile.



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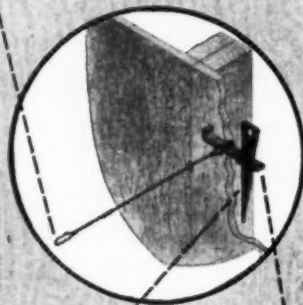
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deserted stores drag down the neighborhood



Empty stores were eye-sores to the neighborhood and discouraged home owners who might want to repair and modernize their homes. Many were illegally converted to illegal uses. The result was the lowering of property values. The council recently started a move to show store-building landlords that legal conversions to apartments would raise property values. As a result, other buildings in the block are now being rehabilitated.

CHICAGO is the nation's second worst slum city, according to rehabilitation experts, but there is one bright spot. In the middle of the blight area a rehabilitation effort is being sparked by the people themselves. This community awakening could be a pattern for the country in the fight against blight.

The area is "back of the yards" so called because it is back of the Chicago Union Stock Yards.

In 1939 the people from this section gave birth to the "Back of the Yards Community Council." The council was founded on two premises:

1. No one was more interested in the area than the people themselves.
2. The local populace, given an opportunity, would do a job.

The first projects of the council included juvenile delinquency, jobs and health. Today juvenile delinquency is practically non-existent. The council has fought with its citizens for higher wages. School children have dental examinations and everyone in the area has a yearly tuberculosis test.

100-Day Campaign To Better Housing

In July of this year the council began its blight elimination campaign. The first step saw the council send 39 questionnaires to local banks and savings and loan institutions. Thirty-five pledged complete cooperation. They saw a need for community rejuvenation as the exodus to the suburbs could impair their business. Twenty of the organizations have developed their own rehabilitation loans patterned after FHA Title I but with a longer amortization period. The 60-month loans have a 5 per cent discount and no financing charges. The loan is secured on a judgment note.

At the start of the 100-day period 2,000 of the 6,000 houses in the area were badly in need of repair. One hundred days later 1,000 units had been modernized.

Vacant Lots

Today the council is working on 535 vacant lots within its 4-square-mile area. Two employees of the council are spending full time on the project. They are assisted by a public-spirited attorney. The council hopes to clear the titles (most are tax delinquent) so that the lots can be purchased by next-door neighbors. Many will have new houses.

The rehabilitation program was started by the people. They needed only the present laws on the statute books; they want no outside interference. They accept no donations. They insist that city inspectors do an honest job. They themselves compel their neighbors to rehabilitate their homes.

For what other cities are doing see page 289

community pride

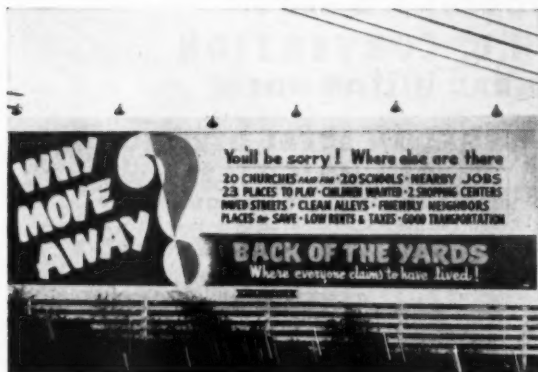
ARE BUILDERS TOO BUSY TO REBUILD SLUMS?

Many major cities are focusing on rehabilitating their run-down and slum sections. Slums cannot be rehabilitated by laws alone. It takes an awakened populace to rid a community of filth and dirt. Then it takes men who are willing to do the job.



A typical old house in the "back of the yards" neighborhood

council shows people why neighborhood is desirable



The council realized that if it was to succeed, a stable population was needed. The community standards could be raised if the people would improve their properties instead of moving away. To stop the exodus to the suburbs, the council started an anti-moving campaign. It asked the people if they wanted to move to the suburbs because they enjoyed the long ride to work and the additional cost—or maybe they had too many schools for children (20 within three blocks of any home) maybe people wanted their children to walk further to school—or maybe they had too many recreational facilities (23), and would rather have their children in the streets.

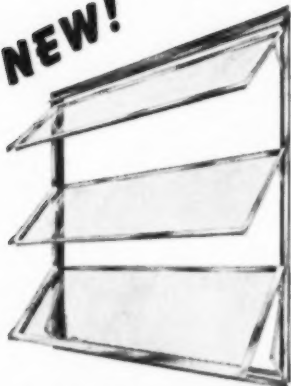


community cleanliness starts in the alley

The first step of the council in fostering community cleanliness was a vigorous campaign for clean alleys. The council insisted that each owner have a garbage can. Over 8,000 oil drum garbage containers were sold at cost. Most people, when shown the way, responded. A few cases needed law enforcement against illegal dumping of raw garbage in the alley. Further cleanliness drives resulted in the cleaning of property and streets. Memorial day, each year, the council sponsors a street-cleaning program. If a car is left in the street it is towed away. Today the back of the yards is the cleanest area in Chicago.



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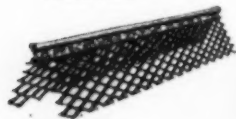
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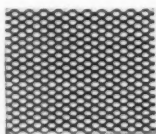
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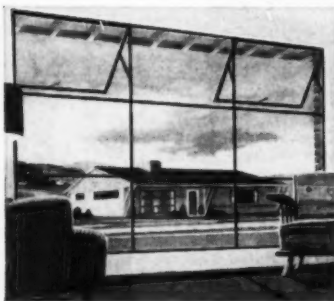
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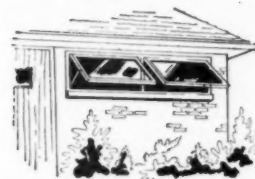
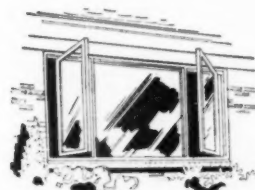
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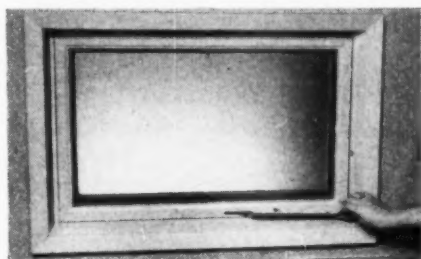
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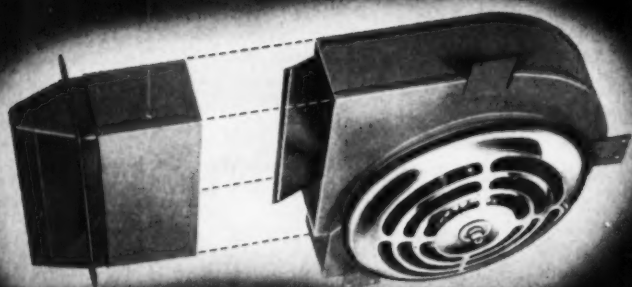
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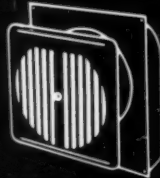
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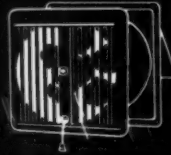
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the slum fight is on

Vast market indicated by American Builder's telegraphic survey which reveals positive rehabilitation programs sparked by builders and civic groups for 1954. Here is what will happen—Is your city in the fight?



NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, REVEALS ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM—City slum prevention programs include rehabilitation projects undertaken by individual groups and sponsored by local Chambers of Commerce and various civic associations; improvement projects conducted on a neighborhood basis; city enforcement program based on improved building code is presently under review.

DETROIT CONTINUES SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM—Plans to continue present 12-year program which should rehabilitate at least 1,700 buildings next year. Plans for expansion of program are now under discussion.

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA, STUDYING PILOT AREAS—Thirty-five citizen housing committee engaged in study of three pilot areas including 40 city blocks which will be 1954 target. Legal subcommittee recommending new enforcement methods.

OTTAWA, CANADA, DEMOLISHING AND REBUILDING—Program for rehabilitation and demolition well under way. Sixty buildings demolished at end of 1953 and 125 family units rehabilitated. Plans now call for all substandard dwellings to be rehabilitated or demolished by end of 1955.

OMAHA DRAFTING NEW MINIMUM STANDARDS—Three-block pilot project just completed by Omaha Real Estate Board consisting of 80 homes. Results extremely encouraging. New Minimum Housing Standards Ordinance now being drafted. Will establish housing director and staff of five inspectors. If adopted approximately 3,000 homes will be inspected in 1954.

SAN FRANCISCO REDEVELOPING LARGE AREA—Twenty-eight block Western Addition Redevelopment Project calls for clearance of about 80 per cent of land occupied by obsolete substandard frame dwellings. Two thousand private apartment dwellings and commercial buildings will be erected. Three hundred twenty-five-acre Diamond Heights Redevelopment Project calls for 2,400 dwellings, neighborhood shopping center, churches, two playgrounds, three schools, plaza and library. Acquisition of property begins next year contingent upon favorable court test of redevelopment law. Plans being made also south of market area to clear out pockets of slum housing. This area will be used for industrial building. Three more inspectors recently added to the Department of Public Health. Housing code enforcement is now on a block by block basis in less badly blighted areas.

DENVER REPLACING SUBSTANDARD UNITS—Has rehabilitated 326 units and demolished 407 units since 1951. Plans call for continuation of this program.

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, WORKING ON NEW PLAN—Rehabilitation and redevelopment plan now being drafted.

DALLAS COMMITTEE STUDYING BLIGHT—Plans regarding slum blight completed and now in hands of subcommittee of the City Council for study and recommendation. Area includes 10 square blocks and will be completed in 1954.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, HAS NEW ORDINANCE READY—Pending before City Council is a minimum standards housing ordinance. Further plans for slum rehabilitation and redevelopment await the passage of this ordinance.

FORT WORTH AWAITS REPORT—Housing and Sanitary Board for Rehabilitation is in the final days of the 120-day study period.

HOUSTON BUILDERS COOPERATE WITH CITY OFFICIALS—Slum rehabilitation ordinance passed by City Council November 4 after third reading. Houston home builders made offer of full cooperation. Organization now in formative stage.

PASADENA OFF TO FLYING START—Pasadena started "Operation Junkyard" in 1948. Plans are to continue work in 1954. Since '48 1,493 buildings demolished and 1,961 rehabilitated. City knows from experience that general cooperation is given by all citizens on a move of this kind.

MIAMI DEPENDS ON PRIVATE INDUSTRY—Past seven months 295 units have been demolished; 685 units have been rehabilitated and 948 new units have been built by private industry in slum areas. Substantial increases in all categories are planned for 1954.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, WHIPPING UP INTEREST—Urban Rehabilitation Study Commission appointed by City Council has been in session four months and reported to city manager in December. 1954 plans indefinite; however, enthusiasm is high and much should be accomplished.

BIRMINGHAM BUILDERS WORKING UP REPORT—Mayor's assistant, Birmingham news reporter, Builder Roy Smith and Richard H. Brown attended C.O.R. School in New Orleans, La. As yet no formal report has been made to the mayor. Specific plans will probably be made in 1954.

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO FOCUSING ON 11 AREAS—Planning administrative legislative committees. Have been functioning since late September, 1953. Have located eleven areas in city that are noticeably substandard. Committee plans to call meeting of landlords of three areas and select one area as test. Big plans under way for 1954.

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA PUTTING TEETH IN ENFORCEMENT—Housing rehabilitation field program has been operating six months based on ordinance adopted in 1950. Neighborhood selected as starting point had block by block inspection and enforcement. 485 units were inspected; 1,930 violations, of which one-fourth have been abated.

LOS ANGELES SHOOTING AT PREVENTION—Program will really be rolling early this year. Now have all but five of inspectors needed. Total now 31, most of whom are in the process of training. Los Angeles expects to clean up 5,000 units in 1954. Based on experience in this program they should have approximately 1,000 demolitions and 10,000 units on the preventive program. Half of Los Angeles' efforts will be on prevention and the other half on rehabilitation. Prevention work will be done in areas which are not now blighted but likely to become slums due to illegal conversions. To date 590 buildings have been demolished; 704 rehabilitated, which represent 1,400 living units; 1,609 complete surveys have been made covering approximately 3,200 units and 18,333 inspections and reinspections have been made to date.

CLEVELAND SLUMS A CAMPAIGN ISSUE—Cleveland has become very slum conscious. It was one of three main issues in mayoralty campaign which ended November 4. Winner Anthony J. Celebreeze was raised in slum section of Cleveland and his goal is to remove slums. Slum elimination and urban redevelopment \$7 million bond issue was also passed at same election. Cleveland believes that it can rid itself of slums in perhaps 12 years if building codes are strictly enforced and a constructive program put in motion.

ATLANTA STARTED IN 1948—Program has been under way since 1948 and has obtained excellent results. 15,101 buildings have been inspected and 7,971 repaired. Program will be continued in 1954 at present high level.

CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS LEAD OFF—City now adding inspectors to begin vigorous campaign for slum rehabilitation. Butler Bill in Illinois has given necessary legislation to carry out program. Biggest rehabilitation to date has been by neighborhood councils.

NEW ORLEANS GUINEA PIG BLOCK SETS PATTERN—City has just completed pilot block area and expects to rehabilitate 4,000 units in 1954. Average cost per living unit in New Orleans has been about \$1,500 or \$3,000 per house. New Orleans plans vigorous campaign in 1954.

BALTIMORE EXTENDS ORIGINAL PLAN—Rehabilitation program to include commencement of action on about 7,000 dwellings in 1954.

Here Is What These Cities Are Doing

	Units Rehabilitated	Units Demolished	Since
Asheville, N. C.	583	23	1952
Bradenton, Fla.	102	68	1951
Charlotte, N. C.	9,625	1,030	1948
Cincinnati, Ohio	1,570	107	1953
Columbus, Ohio	500	—	1950
Corpus Christi, Texas	198	—	1951
Durham, N. C.	3,584	300	1949
Eldorado, Ark.	500	100	1951
Greenville, Miss.	100	25	1950
Greenville, S. C.	238	46	1952
Hattiesburg, Miss.	1,400	—	1952
Lafayette, Ind.	600	—	1950
Roanoke, Va.	354	66	1950
Roswell, N. M.	200	15	1951
Salisbury, N. C.	500	—	1951
Sterling, Colo.	200	25	1950
Tacoma, Wash.	305	628	1949
Trenton, N. J.	3,500	2	1952

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**Alan E. Brockbank, Past President, NAHB,
Salt Lake City, Utah**

"I congratulate the *American Builder* for the forward look expressed in your program, and shall do all I can to try to make your ambition come true. Our country is growing too fast for us to continue to think we can use our industry as loosely as we have in the past. We must teach home owners and renters to take greater pride in their homes, to keep them up physically and functionally. This will mean a great new branch of the building industry with a ready-made market of about 50 billion dollars."

"We must pour, approximately, one million new homes in at the top of the economy. Then take used homes as trade-ins on the new. Then trade less valuable used homes on other used ones. We must set our sights high enough on the worn-out structure to retire from 250,000 to 300,000 houses per year."



**Fredrick W. Jackson,
Vice President, Dime Savings
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"It gives me a great deal of pleasure to extend my hearty endorsement of your 4-point program. We at Dime are avowed advocates of the principle of supporting the orderly and continued growth of our local community. A well-rounded lending policy must include continuing support of that community. Vital to such support is the availability of sound mortgage financing for resale or trade-in houses as well as for remodeling or rehabilitating of older houses. From our experience, we can testify to the soundness of the 4-point proposal."



**Emanuel M. Spiegel,
President of NAHB,
New Brunswick, N. J.**

"The year 1953 was a period of trial and great achievement for the home-building industry and points the way to 1954.

"A severe and prolonged shortage of mortgage money throughout much of the year finally was relieved after vigorous NAHB representations to mortgage lenders and to policy-making government officials. Bold new measures to prevent a recurrence of that crisis were advocated.

"A long-range housing trade-in program was launched with the ultimate aim of restoring to new condition each year 750,000 old, but structurally sound homes. Plans for the rehabilitation of slum dwellings through strict enforcement of municipal codes also got off to a successful start in New Orleans. No doubt, these trends will continue."

on the 4-point program from 'round the country

**Philip Creden, Chairman, NRLDA
Public Relations Committee, and
Edward Hines Lumber Co.**

"The American Builder 4-point program for 1954 gives the whole building industry not only a common goal but a challenge to accept a responsibility which must be met if we are to hold the confidence of the American people. We cannot continue to accelerate the growth of slums within our cities by doing nothing to stabilize older neighborhoods through remodeling and rehabilitation."



**Arthur H. Oman, Builder,
Weymouth, Mass.**

"The availability of mortgage money is the key to any home-building program in 1954. In the Boston area, money is available for good homes and indications are that the supply is on the increase. The Boston market calls for homes priced under \$12,000 and for three bedrooms.

"Many buyers in this area are buying their first homes, but those who bought after the war now need larger homes. Trade-in housing could play a major role in this area before too long. There is plenty of need for remodeling. Boston can certainly stand a major rehabilitation program."

**W. D. Jemison, Jr., Builder
Memphis, Tenn.**

"The home-building business, like nature, is constantly subject to change. The changes necessitated by this evolution are well outlined by the four points you suggest. New homes will be designed more than ever before to the public's wants and pocketbooks.

"The home-building business, like the automobile business years ago, is being forced into trade-in selling. It is felt here, that the trade-in method of selling will be mandatory during 1954 to effect any satisfactory number of house sales.

"Remodeling offers the builder a new outlet for his endeavors. Rehabilitation is to be an active endeavor in Memphis in 1954."



**Nathan Manilow, Builder,
Chicago, Ill.**

"I feel certain that the present administration will endeavor to have Congress enact legislation which will enable the home-building industry to do the comprehensive job proposed in the 4-point program.

"The recommendations that NAHB made to HHFA Administrator Al Cole virtually embrace your suggested program. This program must be made to work effectively in 1954 if the home building industry is to be kept active at a high level of production, because without it our economy must suffer a sharp decline. We are today one of the three most important industries in our nation.

"The 'make-new' slum prevention program has already been making progress and will make great strides as soon as proper financing legislation is enacted. The trade-in house program is also beginning to be activated and will increase in importance with time and proper financing facilities.

"There is great need for rental housing in large volume with two and three bedrooms for families of lower and moderate incomes. New legislation which provides insurance for forty-year mortgages at low interest rates when used in connection with slum clearance and rehabilitation, is necessary to aid in the construction of such rental projects. Revision of Titles 207 and 203 of FHA is most essential to provide rental housing in large volume for people of moderate and higher income status."



**Fritz B. Burns,
Past President,
NAHB,
Los Angeles,
Calif.**

"Items 3 and 4 in your 4-point program are of particular interest to me. Rehabilitation can fill a substantial gap in the national economy. It is fortunate for the economy of the nation that we do have a big inventory of dilapidated housing. Uncle Sam is a trillionaire. Housing represents 20 per cent of the national wealth or two-hundred billion dollars. Add to this three-hundred billions in commercial structures and you can see the tremendous economic potential of the rehabilitation program.

"To contemplate proper housing of lower-income families and yet ignore existing housing, properly reconditioned, is not only upside-down economics, but a financial impossibility.

**N. F. Molnar, 2nd Vice Pres., NAHB,
Fairview Park, Ohio**

"Here are a few of my quick thoughts on your 4-point program.

"The opportunity to build new homes in 1954 lies largely in low-cost and minority-group housing. The needs of veterans and the needs of the negro population, whose economic status has been improved, must be met. There is also necessity to build houses at prices adjusted to a realistic pay envelope.

"The trade-in house will be an important factor in the production of new houses. A large percentage of our potential buyers own their homes, will buy new ones if they can use their equities for down payments.

"The rehabilitation of our existing housing inventory opens up a new horizon to all segments in the home building industry. It is a must."



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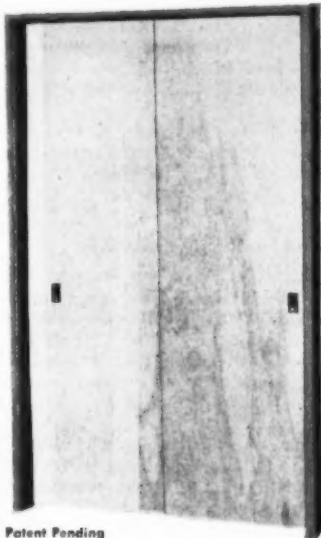
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Sec. 117 of Revenue Code (pend.) Deserves Builders' Support

By **John F. McCarthy**
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BY THE TIME this article is published, January will be with us. By then, most builders will be forced to give some time and consideration to their income tax problems. By then, also, the Congress will have reconvened. One piece of tax legislation introduced before the Congress at its last session, and still pending before it, deserves the builders' whole hearted support.

This proposed legislation would clarify the status of the builders' rental properties as investments which, when sold, would give rise to long term capital gains rather than ordinary income, thus being taxable at a lower rate. It is hoped, among other things, that this treatment will stimulate the builders' interest in and construction of further rental housing.


A builder's sale of land and improvements generally is regarded as the disposition of his stock in trade, and his return or profit thus is taxable as ordinary income. It is true that he may have investments in real estate which, on liquidation, will result in long term capital gains. This may be the case with his properties held for rental purposes. To date, the difficulty has been that each case must rest on its own peculiar set of facts. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has been all too anxious to regard any sale of real estate by a builder as giving rise to ordinary income rather than a long term capital gain. The proposed legislation presently before the Congress would amend Section 117 of the Internal Revenue Code relating to capital gains and losses. It would add a new sentence to Section 117 (j) (1) thereof. In effect it would include, within the provisions for capital gains and losses, any real property, regardless of age, held for rental purposes for

18 months or more by real estate dealers, builders or developers and thereafter disposed by them. This, it is hoped, will introduce some certainty into a hitherto confused subject.

The proposed legislation has been recommended for passage by the newly organized Committee on Federal Taxation of the National Association of Home Builders. Emanuel Spiegel, president of the Association, already has testified in support of the amendment before the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives. During the past summer, the Committee on Federal Taxation reviewed several proposals for amendments to the Internal Revenue Code, which, it was thought, would clarify the position of builders. At that time the Committee recommended only the amendment presently under consideration, stating that it was most worthy of support as one which would eliminate considerable confusion and, at the same time, stimulate the construction of further rental housing.



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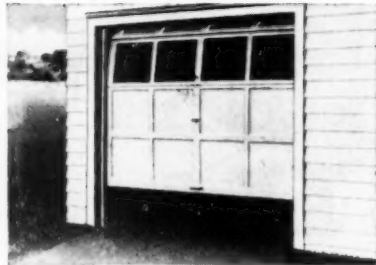
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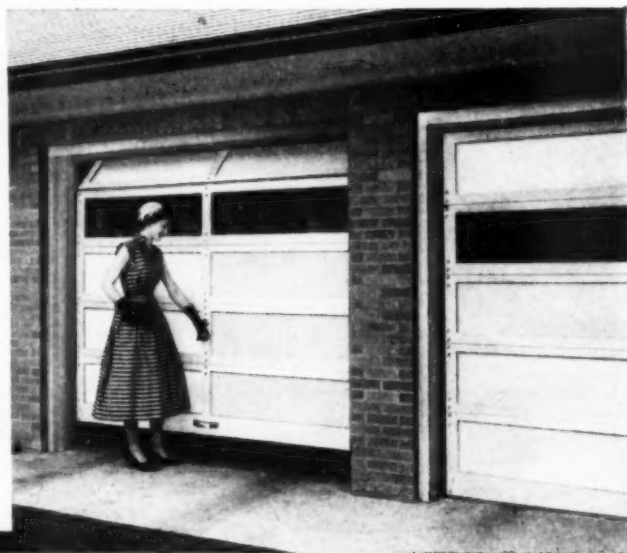
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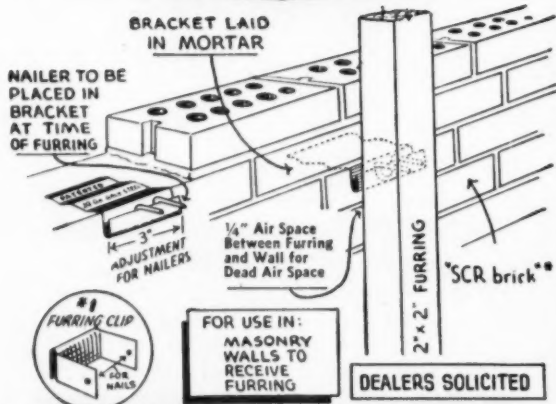
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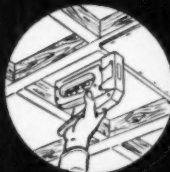
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of siding in the gables are tilted outward at the bottom edge to provide a screened vent opening all the way across.

All windows are equipped with storm panels and screens installed at the factory. Thermopane windows have louvered and screened panel ventilators below. In slab-floor houses, perimeter heating registers are in the slab along the outside walls and between studs in the interior partitions.

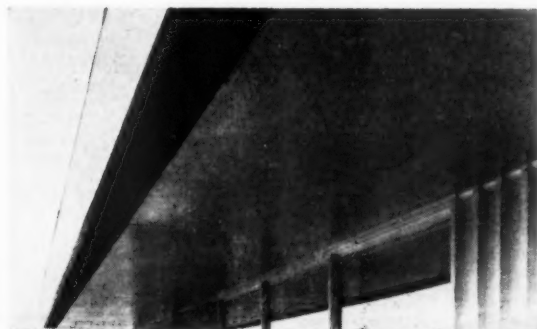
The fireplace unit includes the heating unit closet and a large utility closet which may be used as a clothes closet or for storage, depending upon the floor plan selected.

The kitchen is a modified U-shape with steel cabinets, and a double porcelain sink with disposal unit. An exhaust fan venting through roof of sidewall is standard equipment.

The total construction cost of the Capri, not including the mortgage cost, sales commission, land and profit, is about \$11,660.

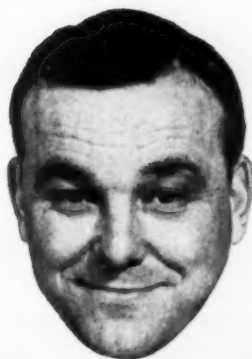


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Roof overhang showing screened ventilating slot

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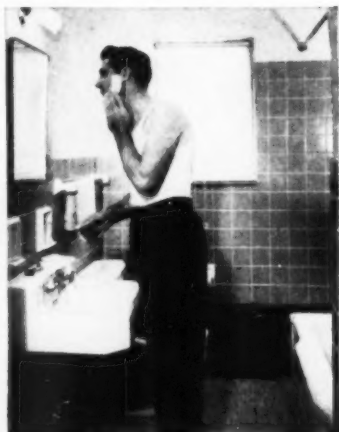
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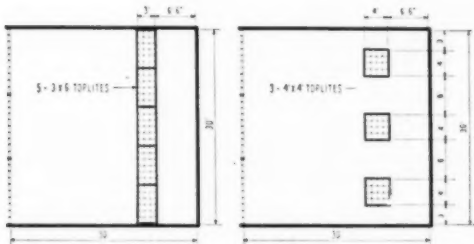
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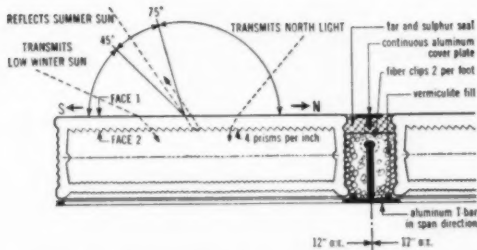
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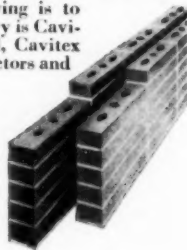
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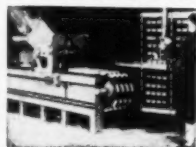


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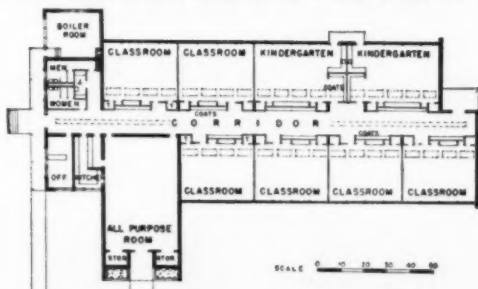
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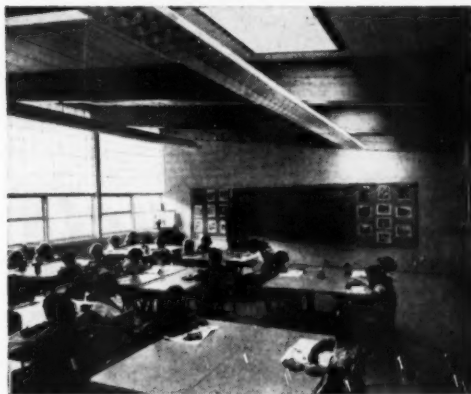
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First building to incorporate Toplite panels is the W. K. Kellogg School Addition in Middleville, Michigan—14,600 square feet at a cost of \$13.25 per square foot



Rooms are 31 feet 8 inches by 24 feet. Roof lighting was selected because it eliminated framing required by clerestory construction

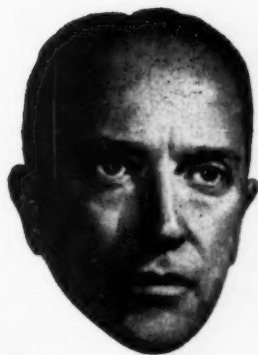


University of Michigan, is called Toplite. It consists of prefabricated glass block panels 3x3, 3x6 or 4x4 feet. These panels are set as a continuous or broken strip in the roof, parallel to the corridor side wall.

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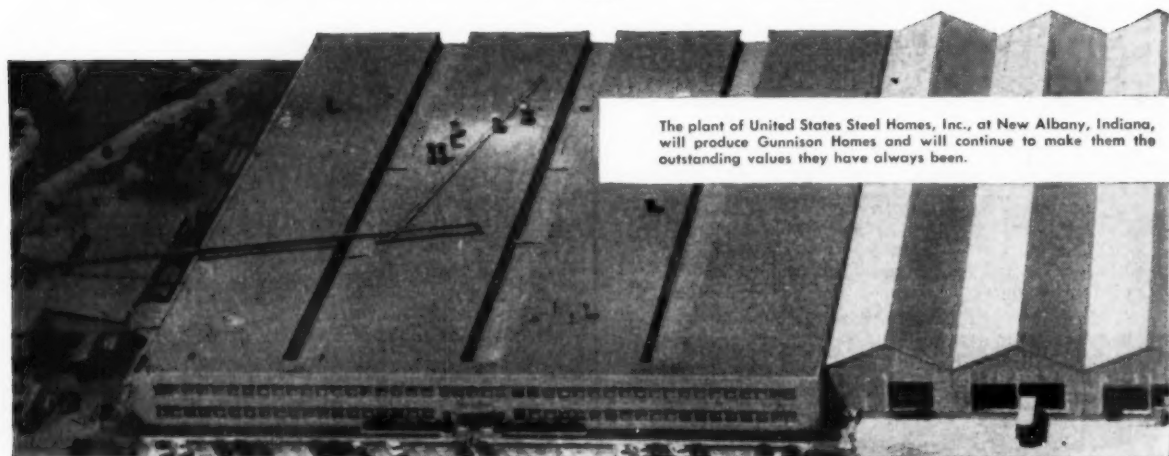
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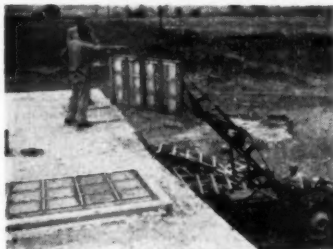
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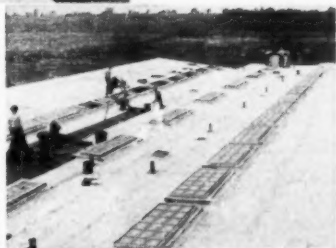
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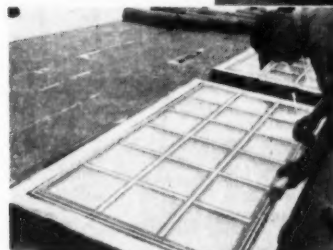
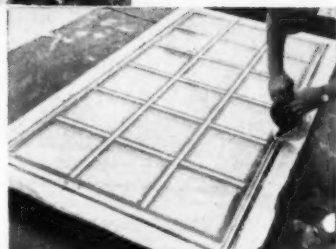
Toplite panels are delivered to the job, ready for installation

Panels are installed in prepared openings or curbs. Curbs can be wood, steel or concrete. Roofing materials are laid after panels are in place



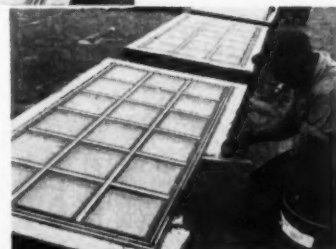
Oakum is forced into expansion space between curb and panel

Vaultlight cement is poured in stages over oakum. Cement is fast setting and serves as a seal



Asphalt mastic is forced into panel reglet, preparing it for insertion of flashing material

Roofing material is brought up to top of curb, and asphaltic compound is troweled on curb top and sides



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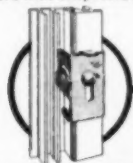
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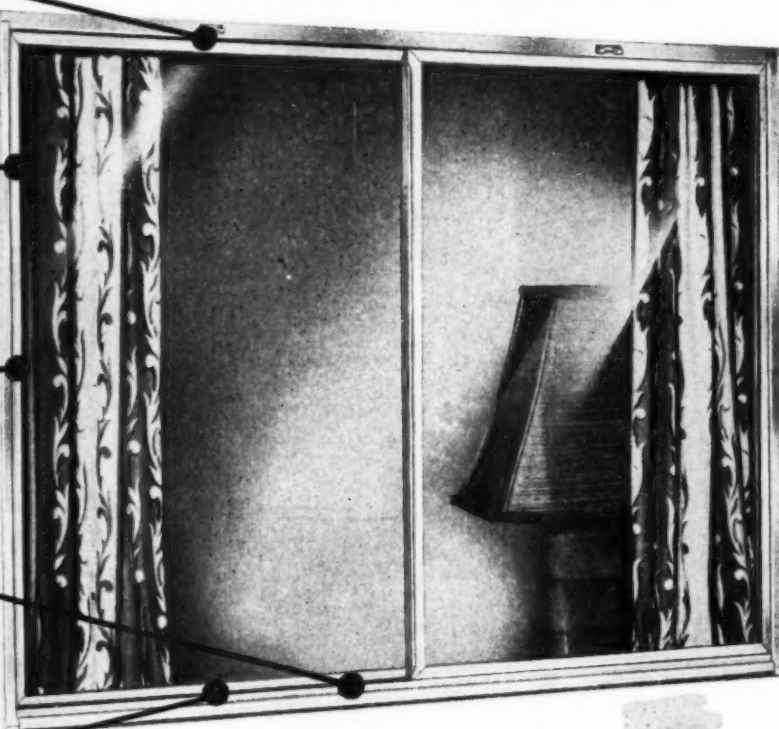
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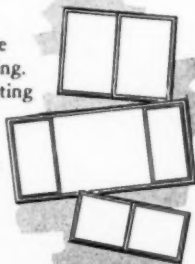
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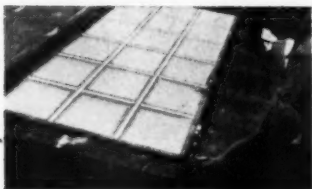
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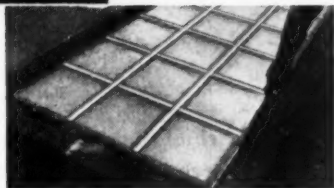
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Membrane is inserted in reglet and brought over top of curve and down the sides. Another coat of asphaltic compound is applied over the entire fabric area

A second ply of membrane fabric is laid on top of the second coat of asphalt, with edge forced into reglet. On top of this second fabric a third and final coat of asphalt is troweled



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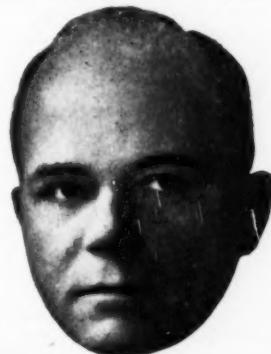
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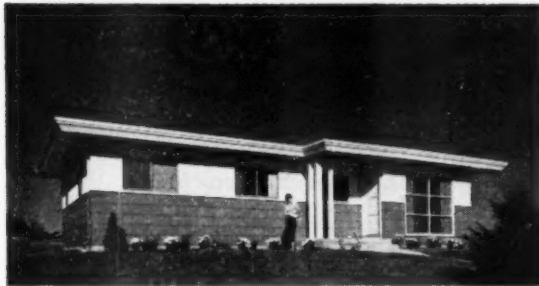
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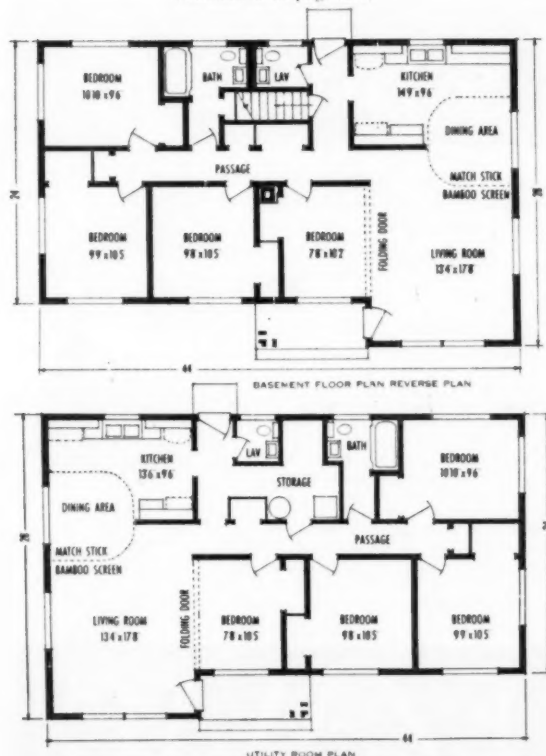


Four bedroom "Pioneer" shown here features a flat roof; will be available in hip or gable models

More storage space and a three-way dining area designed for flexible open living are featured in this new four-bedroom prefabricated home. Contemporary in style, the new home is named the "Pioneer" by its manufacturers, the Harnischfeger Corporation.

The Pioneer is the forerunner of the Corporation's new line of 1954 prefabricated homes. Other models to be produced in 1954 will include two-, three- or four-bedroom models in both basement and "all on one floor" models.

The living, dining and kitchen areas feature open
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"Pioneer" contains 1,132 square feet. Plan may be reversed



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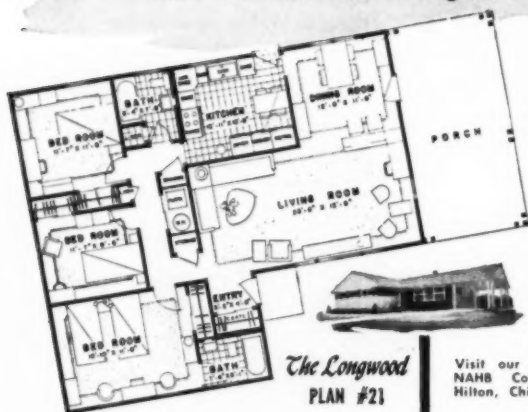
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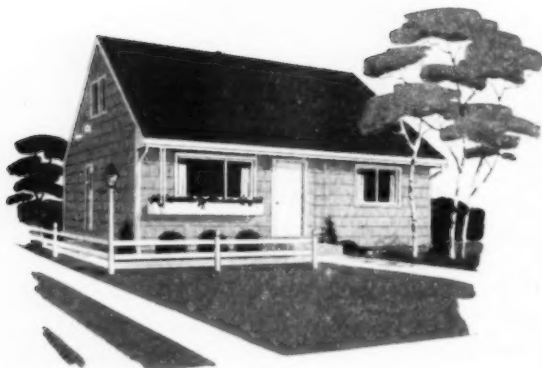
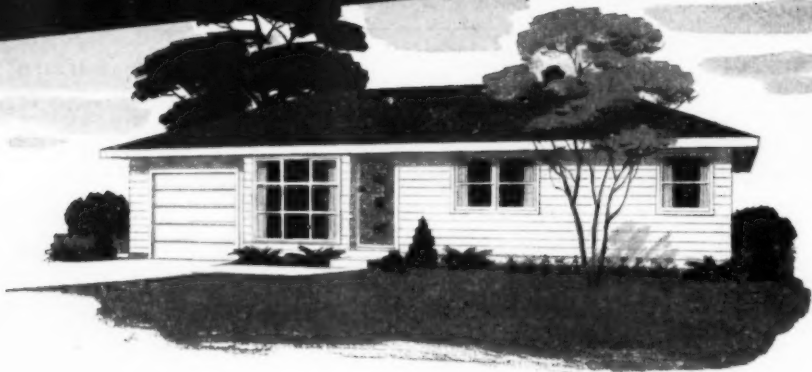
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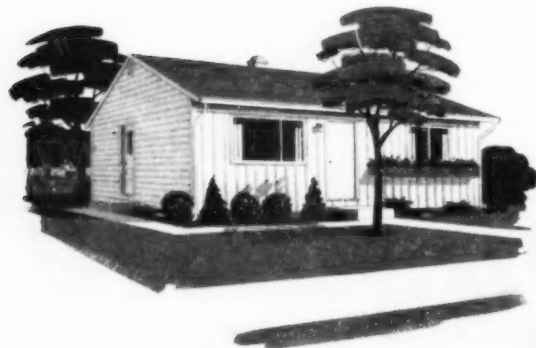
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Haskelite Mfg. Corp.	Sliding doors	Hilton 245	Not available
Heatilator, Inc.	Fireplace units, basement entries	Sherman 348-349	W. H. Atkinson, R. E. Fellows, P. W. James, D. H. Jaquith, G. Johnson, J. H. VanAllen
Hobart Mfg. Co.	Built-in dishwashers	Sherman 357	H. E. Bogash, M. Friedman, E. Gravson, D. Hill
Higgins, Inc.	Oak paneling	Sherman 467	A. J. Constantin, E. Cook, E. P. Crozat, R. Erickson, C. Hadlo
Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co.	Vinyl plastic fabric	Hilton 164-165	J. E. Bourne, C. E. Cochran, W. Kaley, K. Martin, S. J. McCarthy, R. Oliver, J. Rynearson, N. Sickets, E. J. Wolf, Jr.
Holly Mfg. Co.	Recessed heaters	Hilton 232	J. Cox, J. Droge, F. C. Farner, R. Grossman, D. Kirtley
Hollywood Disappearing Attic Stair Co.	Attic stairways	Sherman 383	D. R. Haden, E. E. Pierce
Homasote Co.	Sliding doors and windows	Hilton 53-54	Not available
Harnischfeger Corp.	Prefabricated homes	Hilton 13	R. Albers, R. Brent, G. Brown, J. Clee, K. Dawson, H. Fasbender, H. Funk, E. Hwass, A. Reicherdt, A. Treis, W. Wilson
Hotpoint Co.	Electric household appliances	Hilton 49-50; 52	J. B. Blanton, E. C. Buckley, J. F. Carroll, D. J. Irvine, R. H. Hunt, E. J. Malin, K. J. Merggraf, C. W. Meade, J. L. Rogers, E. J. Sorenson, L. I. Sweetland, L. Wood
Hough Shade Corp.	Folding doors	Hilton 237-238	W. Alger, H. Cronin, V. Franzen, J. Funke, L. W. Hatfield, C. C. Haumerson, A. R. Hough, J. E. Hough, R. J. Mergener, C. W. Reene, D. Tobin, L. Ward
Hunter Fan and Ventilating Co.	Ventilating and exhaust fans	Hilton 183-184	Not available
Huntington Industries, Inc.	Safety stairs	Sherman 305	P. L. Gallina, C. S. Jones, A. M. Poplin, C. E. Smith, W. W. Taylor, H. Van Dresser

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Hydraline Products	Stationary boilers and water heaters	Hilton 174-175	C. S. Davis, Jr., J. R. Frank, W. F. Krueger, V. W. Mayer, J. W. Pulkinghorn, M. Yale
Industrial Machine Tool Co., Inc.	Awning windows	Hilton 295-296-297	R. Bass, G. Balaman, R. Cherba, J. A. Day, R. Elliott, C. Hillis, J. Sortman, A. Westman, E. Westman
In-Sink-Erator Mfg. Co.	Waste disposers	Hilton 130	R. M. Cox, E. Hammes, Q. Hammes, E. Hammes, R. Wheaton
Insulite Div., Minnesota & Ontario Paper Co.	Insulation board	Hilton 116-117	G. Alarik, R. L. Anderson, W. J. Berg, B. Evans, G. H. Hardisty, G. F. Hoppe, C. Larson, W. M. Macy, G. Marine, J. A. Rush, J. C. Stimson, G. Zumwinkle
International Molded Plastics, Inc.	Glass fiber paneling	Hilton 270-271	D. Fairchild, R. J. Goulder, F. Kesselom, E. M. Quinn, E. F. Williams
International Oil Burner Co.	Counterflow furnaces	Hilton 43	D. Campbell, A. Dunlap, J. L. Heiman, L. Heiman, S. J. Heiman, H. Mason, R. Northwood, W. Younger
Iron Fireman Mfg. Co.	Automatic stokers; coal, oil and gas burners	Sherman 481	E. W. Jones, R. Lunt, W. J. O'Neil, J. C. Veltman, E. C. Webb, R. C. Wright, D. Wylio
I-XL Furniture Co., Inc.	Hardwood cabinets	Hilton 293-294	A. F. Deahl, E. O. Feagans, D. Henry, L. Marcus, C. McCally, E. F. McClelland
Jahns-Manville Sales Corp.	Tile flooring, asphalt siding and roofing	Hilton 16	A. W. Bergman, E. F. Boyle, F. J. Brennan, E. E. Carl, R. N. Downing, F. E. Dutcher, R. L. McGonagill, W. G. McKillip, G. L. Moore, J. M. Murphy, F. F. Veith, J. W. Watson
Kennatrack Corp.	Sliding door frames	Hilton 104	E. C. Cortas, P. L. Fishbaugh, R. J. Koporc, W. C. Malone, N. R. Netzer
Kewanee Mfg. Co.	Steel door frames	Hilton 281	S. L. Becker, H. Crocker, J. Hayward, C. T. Kelly, W. E. Klang, H. G. Otto, J. H. Priesmeyer
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Kohler Co.	Plumbing and bathroom fixtures	Hilton 94-95-96	R. G. Angelbeck, L. J. Bortzen, H. K. Degen, J. Federer, F. C. Hooper, D. J. Koff, L. Lensdorf, R. McCabe, E. F. Schmagel, H. C. Schroder
Kwikset Sales & Service Co.	Door latches and locks	Sherman 350	E. Hoseus, P. Juffee, M. Jones, D. Mallinson, M. Rambo, J. St. John, A. Schoepe, R. J. Schulte, H. Stovall, P. Stumb, E. Vickery
Lau Blower Co.	Attic fans	Sherman 332	T. I. Byrd, T. Martin, E. V. Sullivan
Leslie Welding Co., Inc.	Gable louvers, ventilators	Sherman 457	C. Holland, C. Leslie, R. Orr, F. Rao, P. Wilmet
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co.	Windows	Hilton 19	E. Aiken, J. F. Gehring, R. J. Grafton, H. Ives, J. J. Long, G. Orbeson, R. C. Schafield, G. Schuchman, P. Stein, D. F. Webb, J. A. Webb
A. J. Lindemann & Heverson Co.	Electric ranges, ovens	Sherman 423	H. H. Jenkins, R. H. Meiners, J. A. Plano, G. J. Schramel
Lipman Refrigeration Div., Yates-American	Air conditioners	Hilton 269	R. Burns, F. H. Kibler
Living for Young Homemakers		Sherman 437	C. H. Coffin, E. B. Evans, H. Grasse, G. H. Tsuruoka
Lockport Cotton Batting Co.	Insulation	Hilton 151	L. S. Cochran, C. S. Cutler, W. S. Fidler, W. P. Pribbanow, J. Willis
Lockwood Hardware Mfg. Co.	Locks, lock installing tools	Sherman 364-365	A. C. Amann, A. H. Brownell, E. F. Jurgenson, G. Martin, B. A. McCuen, L. Williams
Long Bell Lumber Co.	Wood cabinets	Sherman 399-400	S. E. Cummings, F. L. Faval, L. L. Gibson, P. A. Long, J. E. Marley, C. T. Munger, H. A. Rieckers, G. A. Scott, E. A. Thomas, W. G. Thon
Ludman Corp.	Aluminum and wood windows	Hilton 101	M. Hoffman, R. Jeffrey, A. Munnie, B. Reckerman, H. W. Tavs, L. Ververka
Lumite Div., Chicopee Mills, Inc.	Screen cloth	Hilton 59	R. D. Simpson, J. W. Veeder, W. Volk
Lyon Metal Products, Inc.	Kitchen cabinets	Hilton 221-222	P. F. Arnfield, H. C. Champlin, T. R. Conklin, W. H. Dick, H. G. Knuth, W. Murphy, J. M. Olesen, A. W. Piggott, L. B. Rhodes
Maas & Waldstein Co.	Multicolored enamel	Sherman 334-335	B. F. Ames, H. Arlan, C. L. Berry, F. Foder, G. Klinkenstein, C. F. O'Neil, R. D. Sedgley, A. S. Tokerse
Magic Chef, Inc.	Gas ranges	Hilton 220	Not available
Majestic Co., The	Indoor incinerators	Sherman 330-331	Y. Balcom, R. D. Hall, T. Kelley, B. Kirchoff, C. Kirchoff, R. Liminger, H. Mickley, R. Ruhlin, D. Winegardner
Malta Mfg. Co.	Wood window units	Sherman 404	J. G. Boden, V. Gassner, R. Harris, D. Helton, R. Life
Marsh Wall Products, Inc.	Tongue and groove wall paneling	Hilton 32	R. F. Arpan, F. A. Madsen, E. P. McCarthy, W. J. Richard, J. F. Vonesh
Masonite Corp.	Perforated panels	Hilton 30-31	Not available
McKee Door Co.	Garage doors	Sherman 465	G. R. Pierce, W. B. Quantock, C. J. Salmons, A. A. Scholz, R. E. Schrader
Mengel Co., The	Flush doors	Hilton 84-85; 102-103	H. L. Blevins, P. R. Cheatham, E. H. Courtenay, E. M. Crocker, A. Y. Decker, M. M. Gray, R. L. Gray, B. O. Harris, J. M. Junge, A. M. King, R. F. Kulmer, C. B. McKeehan, F. C. Nicholas, W. B. Tyrrell
Meredith Publishing Co.	Better Homes and Gardens	Hilton 108	G. J. Brown, J. P. Eaves, R. C. Ferguson, W. G. Pitzer, R. J. Tierman, K. Van
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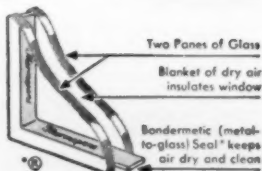
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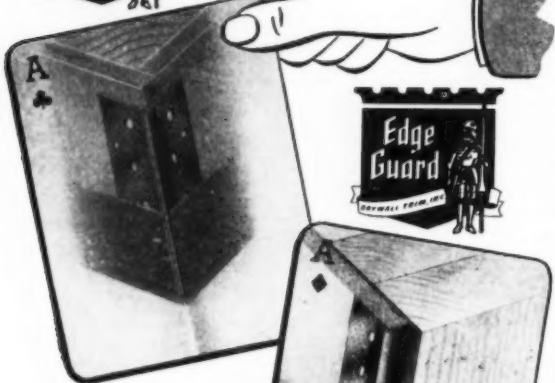
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Milwaukee Flush Valve Co.	Shower fixtures	Sherman 431	G. L. Hartmann, A. Jaffe, J. Jaffe, H. F. Leonard, M. W. Peterman, S. A. Slinde
Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.	Electronic thermostatic controls	Sherman 446-447	H. Bissell, T. Carley, H. Chamberlain, J. Davis, A. DePuy, W. Elfstrom, H. Gray, C. Miller, E. L. Richardson, K. Wilson
Modern Homes Corp.	Contemporary Homes	Hilton 201	Not available
Moe Light, Inc.	Ceiling lights	Sherman 352	T. Fuller, R. W. Minett, Jr., V. Moe, R. J. Rimmel, R. W. Vershure
Morgan Co.	Flush doors	Sherman 385-386	H. H. Kimberly, J. A. Kutiello, P. E. Malinger, R. C. Mangold, R. L. Morrison, C. C. Patri, W. D. Sawler, W. L. Schaefer, R. Swanson, C. L. Zettlemeyer
Morgan-Wightman Supply Co.	Bathroom cabinets, ornamental ironwork	Sherman 468	J. H. Mitchell, G. A. Morgan, M. J. Morgan, H. E. Shull, R. F. Wightman
Morrison Steel Products Co.	Garage doors, furnaces	Hilton 286-287-288	O. Berg, B. Breckman, W. Duffy, A. Ennis, J. K. Farrar, F. Fletcher, D. Grant, M. Hewatt, M. J. Kahnstamm, G. McCartney, R. Moeschler, M. Morrison, S. Morrison, H. F. Oakes, J. Searis, C. A. Stahlka, C. A. Wetzel
Mosaic Tile Co.	Wall tile	Sherman 456	K. Gale, M. Gall, R. E. Jordan, Jr., K. Keck, E. D. Mann, W. Ross, O. S. Watkins, J. L. Wiles
Mosley Electronics, Inc.	Built-in television outlets	Sherman 375	G. E. Mabus, W. E. St. Vrain
Mueller Brass Co.	Copper tubing, fittings, valves	Hilton 176-177-178	C. R. Black, V. A. Bower, C. A. Dittson, E. A. Fairchild, R. L. Gibbs, E. Hamilton, R. McV'ebb, O. R. Payton, R. W. Pressprich, T. Riggan, R. L. Zzardi, R. J. Talty
L. J. Mueller Furnace Co.	Heating and air conditioning equipment	Hilton 74-75-76	H. Banks, W. Croaker, N. Cummings, N. E. Hill, P. F. Mousz, H. G. McKee, H. P. Mueller, H. P. Mueller, Jr., F. J. Nunlist, J. H. Roock, O. J. Ross, E. T. Scheck
Muncie Gear Works, Inc.	Coal stokers	Sherman 326	S. E. Brown, D. B. Dell, C. M. Ehrhardt, V. W. Eilers, C. O. Fields, R. Kidd, R. J. McNickle, C. B. Osborne, J. Shaffer, M. Smith
Mutschler Bros. Co.	Wood kitchens	Hilton 217-218-219	C. Acker, N. Acker, H. Cappel, R. C. Chapman, C. Crane, R. E. Dewart, D. C. Hanover, Jr., J. B. Lauer, C. A. Mutschler, H. Peacock, P. Rice, V. A. Stump
Nash-Kelvinator Corp.	Kitchen appliances	Hilton 1	G. Bradford, A. Cowan, W. Fagan, E. J. Foley, P. Garnick, C. J. Hardy, W. Landback, L. Lemelson, J. J. Massimi, G. Miller, W. Nealon, L. Paul, J. Ruf, J. Sauble, Q. Watt
National Chemical & Mfg. Co.	Paints	Sherman 455	M. Clamage, P. J. Green, L. Hertz, S. Racinowski, R. F. Roman, J. W. Stephenson, F. X. Thomas
National Door Co.	Sliding doors	Sherman 476	Not available
National Electric Products Corp.	Electrical tubing	Hilton 144	W. W. Brewer, G. W. Hartner, D. W. Rice, J. Spiringer, P. Waldschmidt
National Gypsum Co.	Sliding shingles, sheathing, insulation	Hilton 17	Not available
National Homes Corp.	Prefabricated homes	Hilton 114-115	K. Griner, F. E. Haley, C. K. Lacy, R. E. Larimer, A. N. McAdams, G. E. Price, J. R. Price, W. A. Shearer, J. C. Smuts, C. H. Teague
National Rubber Machinery Co.	Garbage disposers	Sherman 355	H. Frank, R. J. Meyer, G. Schott, L. VanCleaf
National Paint, Varnish & Lacquer Assn.	Paint and varnish promotion	Sherman 307	L. Fisher
National Steel Cabinet Co.	Bathroom cabinets	Sherman 421	Not available
National Vanity Co.	Plastic bathroom vanities	Sherman 477	Not available
New Castle Products	Folding doors	Hilton 33-34	J. W. Collins, R. C. Haugh, J. E. Lair, B. G. Mahin, R. H. McConville, J. F. Quinn, F. Van Meter, J. N. Westrich, H. E. Young
New York Wire Cloth Co.	Aluminum screen	Hilton 142-143	J. Freudenberg, C. D. Jones, S. M. Jones, H. A. Nussbaum, J. E. Parke, R. J. Wall
Nordahl Co.	Sliding door frames	Hilton 240-241	J. Dourwaarder, A. Nordahl, H. T. Rudrud, W. O. Rudrud, R. M. Young
Norman Products Co.	Gas furnaces	Sherman 338A	L. E. Bruce, R. G. Dawley, H. Gallin, M. A. Haines, R. G. Millikan, L. E. Minns, E. A. Norman, D. D. Piper, D. A. Ruen, A. J. Wild
NuTone, Inc.	Ventilating fans, door chimes	Hilton 259	P. Biltheiser, J. Christy, B. L. Corbett, J. R. Corbett, L. B. Dreifus, A. Marachich, F. B. Marple, D. Mellow, J. Neville, R. Schaefer, W. Spear, P. Steel, P. Venezia
C. A. Olsen Mfg. Co.	Warm-air furnaces	Sherman 360-361	T. J. Gorman, C. L. Grandstaff, E. P. Hayes, M. H. Klotz, E. H. Morris, W. H. Olsen, A. J. Ritter, W. G. Warden
Overhead Door Corp.	Garage doors	Hilton 14	T. Biggs, M. E. Carr, D. Crandall, D. Kasler, J. Lieber, P. McKee, R. Myers, W. Rosenbaum, N. Stewart, W. H. Wood
Parents' Magazine		Hilton 86	W. Baylor, E. Fryk, G. Hadlock, J. Hahn, M. Livingston, R. Lochridge, M. Michels
Pease Homes Div., Pease Woodwork Co.	Prefabricated homes	Hilton 250	R. B. Banker, J. W. Pease, J. V. Rice, W. Stricker
Per-It Products Corp.	Glass block ventilators	Sherman 411	R. Jones, S. Krauss, L. Randall, R. M. Secrest, P. L. Snouffer, G. E. Stolle

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Perma Products Co.	Shake sidewall	Sherman 336	E. T. Allen, W. D. Ambrose, R. Dixon, F. Kleps
Peterson Window Corp.	Aluminum windows	Sherman 445	R. F. Anthony, R. Bessley, M. P. McClure, G. D. Peterson, B. F. Westley
Philco Corp.	Appliances, air conditioners	Sherman 414-415-416	E. Bailey, J. Bilheimer, J. Cherry, J. Hufnagel, E. Mercer, J. Perry, R. Rich, A. Rosebraugh, H. Stickle, F. Stoyles, E. Tipping, R. White
Ponderosa Pine-Woodwork	Decorator doors	Sherman 384 and 409	A. R. Elsworth, C. F. Emary, C. Gabrick, M. Gerock, A. L. Hansen, O. C. Lance, M. P. Morris, R. H. Marris, J. Nolan, L. D. Weller
Porcelain Enamel Products Corp.	Ceramic-faced tile	Sherman 316	D. Mahoney, F. W. Mears, A. W. P. Trench
Porter-Cable Machine Co.	Portable electric tools	Hilton 12	R. Bauder, R. Bylski, D. Calhoun, R. A. Hummert, W. T. Isgar, O. Johnson, M. V. Nodar, J. A. Proven, J. D. Romanow, R. Schellschmidt, C. F. Wheeler
Pratt & Lambert, Inc.	Rubber-base paint	Hilton 65	F. A. Bower, J. R. Bowling, A. A. Koeber, W. W. Schroeder, H. W. Struck, W. H. Tamm
Precision Parts Corp.	Folding stairways	Sherman 353	G. H. Harmon, P. V. Harmon, P. V. Harmon, Jr.
Prima Products, Inc.	Waterproofing compound	Hilton 64	C. Conklin, G. T. McAllister, M. Michaels, R. Michaels, S. S. Schulman
Progress Mfg. Co.	Lighting fixtures	Sherman 436	M. Olschwang, E. K. Raker, R. P. Rosen, K. Weiss
Protectub, Inc.	Bathtub protectors	Sherman 433	I. Finkel, A. Yormack
Pryne-Riffenhouse Sales Corp.	Ceiling ventilators	Hilton 57	Not available
Qvale and Associates	Architectural renderings	Hilton 272	R. C. Qvale, H. Sumid
Ravenna Metal Products Corp.	Mixing faucets	Sherman 362	E. F. Brizz, B. F. Carr, K. O. Hiatt, G. R. Thiele
Raynor Mfg. Co.	Garage panel doors	Sherman 451-452	H. Byer, G. Carlson, D. Emmert, L. Glass, G. Goddard, R. Neisewander, J. Patterson, W. Snell, G. Swan, W. Wadsworth
Ready-Hung Door Corp.	Package doors	Sherman 363	E. L. Guerrant
Remington Corp.	Air conditioners	Sherman 310-311	R. W. Ackart, S. M. Davison, M. L. Judd, C. K. Juno, H. L. Laube, A. G. Masiello, W. S. Schmidt, H. S. Traynor, T. J. Ward
Reynolds Metals Co.	Metal windows, siding	Hilton 211-212-213	A. O. Aho, D. H. Golt, G. Hayter, A. C. Kintner, E. M. Kuhlins, C. H. Luedemann, R. E. Olson, E. E. Wood, R. M. Woods
Rheem Mfg. Co.	Counterflow furnaces	Hilton 233-234	J. E. Koszka, E. F. Malarkey, A. C. Malcor, W. A. McKenna, J. J. Nangle, W. H. Olson, T. L. Schwartfeger, M. A. Straub
Roach & Musser Co.	Awning windows	Sherman 391	Not available
Rocform Corp.	Concrete forms	Sherman 319	A. Arrighini, J. Auguleiro, G. H. Cole, W. Howard, N. Leo, F. Pauli, G. W. Schier, G. Van Sickle
Rockwell Sales Co.	Millwork manufacturers	Sherman 393-394	K. Burns, Jr., F. A. Hoerner, J. Munson, L. T. Riordan, E. Semling, O. Shields, R. Stone, J. F. Young, J. Zahnen
Reddis Plywood Corp.	Plywood panels	Hilton 200	Not available
Reiscreen Co.	Wood windows, screen openers	Hilton 113	J. Cruzen, W. Gossetink, R. Harrison, H. Hedrick, W. Kilpatrick, A. Reisser
R.O.W. Sales Co.	Removable wood windows	Hilton 79	J. Gallagher, J. Hertzberg, G. Love, C. Polizzari, H. Winanday
Royal Heaters, Inc.	Heating units	Hilton 150	A. H. Banko, N. M. Landaiche, R. T. Lewis, R. L. Smith, J. Wright
Rudiger-Lang Co.	Aluminum screening	Hilton 289	J. Disimone, M. Levin, H. Rudiger, L. Tudor
F. C. Russell Co.	Metal windows	Hilton 209	W. M. Center, R. T. Davis, R. DeBoer, Jr., D. N. Martin, Jr., K. H. Routh, F. C. Russell, G. F. Schrader, O. I. Stafford, P. M. Williams
Russell & Erwin Div., American Hardware Corp.	Locks and locksets	Sherman 342	R. A. Eichaker, L. R. Roimstrom, W. C. Lichtenfels, V. H. Verby, R. M. Whyte
St. Charles Mfg. Co.	Custom-built kitchens	Sherman 320	Not available
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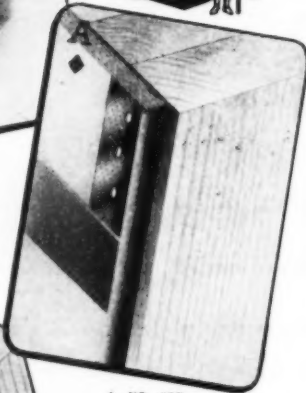
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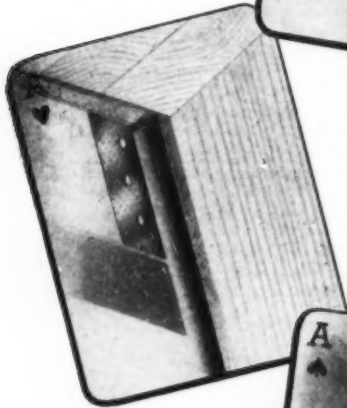


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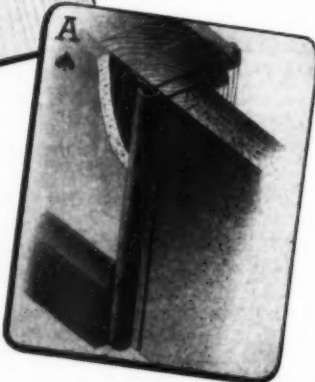
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method of reducing installation costs for hot water heating

PART II

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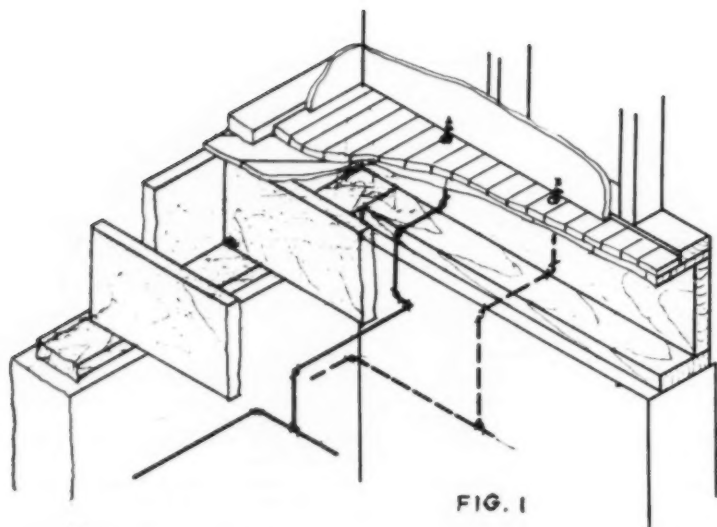


FIG. 1

Radiator Branch Connections—
Solid line represents typical radiator branch connection using swing joint. Dotted line represents way this connection may be made if swing joint is eliminated and main is located close enough to basement wall to make it unnecessary for branch connection to pass under a joist

IN LAST MONTH'S article of this series, the author described the way in which changes in housing have affected the design of heating systems. It was pointed out that hot water panel and baseboard systems have performance characteristics which make them desirable for use in the heating of all types of homes, including houses with large glass areas and those without basements.

Cost Factors Considered

Frequently the excellent operating characteristics of hot water systems are conceded, but the builder feels the cost is too high for him to include this type of heating in the homes he builds. Realizing that cost is a factor, the I-B-R Steam and Water Heating Research Program at the University of Illinois has included investigation of methods of reducing installation costs in house heating. All of the practices which are described in this article have been tried in systems installed in the I-B-R Research Home—a two story, basementless house. Operation of the test systems in these houses for at least one season demonstrated that the new practices do not have an adverse effect on operating performance or economy.

Many present day piping practices were started in the days of gravity hot water systems, at which time they served a definite purpose, but today they are being continued with forced circulation systems, even though

they no longer contribute to the successful operation of the system as a whole. In some cases the continuance of obsolete piping practices may result in increased costs through the use of extra pipe and fittings and through increased installation time.

Two Methods of Piping Installations

Figure 1 represents the corner of a basement. The piping indicated by the solid lines represents a typical radiator branch connection to the basement main. Such a connection is as follows:

1. Main 18 inches to 24 inches from basement wall.
2. Branch connection joined to main at the top of main with a nipple followed by horizontal run-out to wall.
3. Swing joint.
4. Offset to clear sill.

In a gravity hot water system each element of this typical radiator branch connection contributes its part toward satisfactory performance and ease of installation. In the first place, the gravity head causing the water to circulate is very small and, therefore, the piping must be such as to offer a minimum of resistance to flow. This requires large pipe sizes and proper pitch. The large pipe in turn requires more working room and makes it difficult to fit to very close tolerances. The swing joint solves all these problems together with providing sufficient flexibility to allow for expansion and

Item	Conventional One-Pipe				Simplified One-Pipe		Series Loop	
	180 F Design		215 F Design		215 F Design		215 F Design	
	161 ft.	\$ 21.89	150 ft.	\$ 21.00	150 ft.	\$ 21.41	89 ft.	\$ 9.21
Pipe	40	2.90	38	2.74	20	1.75	8	0.76
Nipples	92	31.64	83	28.53	62	29.88	32	25.52
Fittings	17*	12.08	15*	10.43	10*	1.69	13*	5.70
Valves	1	45.73	1	45.73	1	45.73	1	45.73
Pump	287.85		287.85		287.85		287.85	
Boiler, Burner, Expansion Tank, and Controls	213 sq. ft.	241.39	151 sq. ft.	186.53	151 sq. ft.	186.53	151 sq. ft.	186.53
Baseboard and Accessories	63.63	190.89	58.76	176.28	51.56	154.68	36.60	109.80
Labor (hours)	\$834.35		\$759.07		\$729.50		\$671.08	
Total Cost								

*Includes radiator air vent valve for each baseboard assembly.

Design Water Temperature, Degrees F	Reduction in Amount of Radiation Required, Per cent
180	0.0
190	11.8
200	23.5
210	35.3
215	41.2

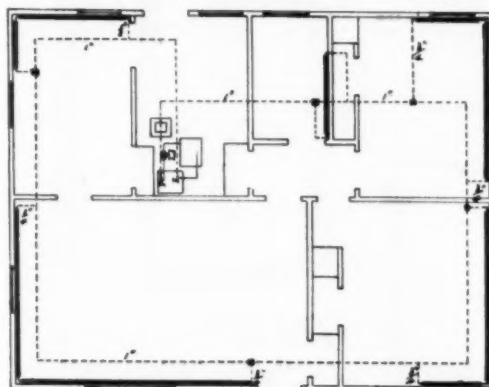
contraction during heating and cooling of the system.

In the case of a forced-circulation, hot water system, the pressure head created by the pump is sufficient, so a small pipe may be used. When using $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch and $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch pipe, there is enough flexibility in the pipe itself to provide for expansion and to make it easy to connect the piping system to the radiators, making the swing joint unnecessary. In most of the forced-circulation, hot water installations which have been made in the research home, swing joints have been omitted and in no case has this omission caused difficulty in making radiator connections, nor has it created operational trouble such as expansion noises, etc.

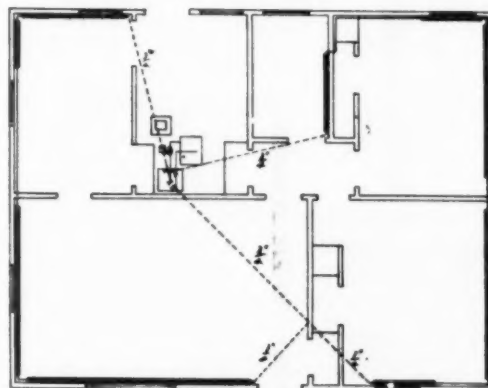
If the basement main is located within 6 inches of the basement wall and the swing joint is omitted, the radiator branch connection takes the form indicated by the dotted lines in Figure 1. Here again the branch is taken off the top of the main, but since it is not necessary to pass under any floor joist, the vertical piece of pipe can be made long enough to connect to the riser passing up through the floor to the radiator. This connection still provides all the flexibility that is needed for easy installation and for quiet operation.

Materials Required for Each Piping Method

Table 1 gives the list of materials required to connect a heating unit using each type of branch connection shown in Figure 1. It also contains the material cost



ONE PIPE



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FIG. 3

Heating system layouts for one story, basementless house

and an estimate of the direct labor cost for piping based on a rate of \$3 per hour. The elimination of the unnecessary swing joints and the radiator valve effects a total reduction in piping cost of \$6.50 per heating unit.

Some may question the advisability of omitting radiator valves since many persons wish to sleep with open

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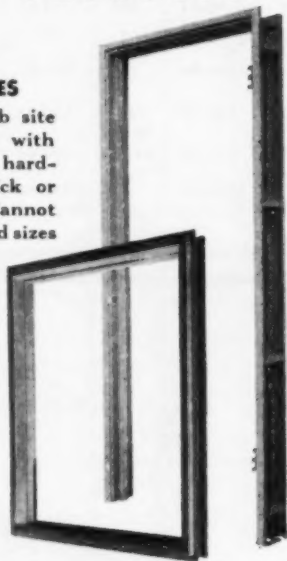
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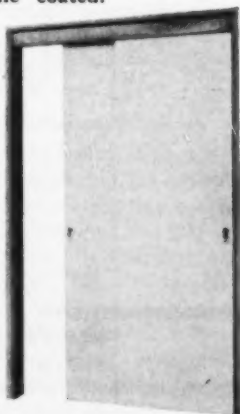
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bedroom windows. Recent tests made in the I-B-R Research Home, both with and without night setback of the thermostat, have shown that when operating with open bedroom windows at night, no reduction in fuel consumption is made by turning off the bedroom radiators during the time the windows are open. Moreover, if the bedroom radiators are turned off at night, a longer time is required to bring the house temperature back to normal the following morning. *Furthermore, experience seems to bear out the fact that radiator valves are seldom used by the occupant of the house, even when they are provided in the heating system.

In the case of the radiant baseboard job, a very decided reduction in the amount of material and labor required for the installation of the system can be made

TABLE 1

Savings Resulting from Simplified
Radiator Branch Connection
(per room heating unit)

Connection A				
	Quantity	Cost	Quantity	Cost
1 in. x 1/2 in. Tee	1	\$ 0.28	1	\$0.28
1 in. x 1/2 in. One-Pipe Fitting	1	1.21	1	1.21
1/2 in. Elbow	10	1.22	4	0.49
1/2 in. Radiator Valve	1	1.55	0	0
1/2 in. Union Ell	1	0.89	2	1.78
1/2 in. Nipples	6	0.48	2	0.16
1/2 in. Pipe (ft.)	4	0.32	3	0.24
Labor (hours)	3.40	10.20	1.83	5.49
Total		\$16.15		\$9.65

Savings: Material — \$1.79; Labor — \$4.71; Total — \$6.50

by using the series loop arrangement. In this system, the room heating units serve as a part of the main, thus making a substantial reduction in the amount of pipe and the number of fittings required. A complete description of series loop systems and the procedure for designing them are given in I-B-R Installation Guide No. 5, "Baseboard Heating Systems."**

The Series Loop Arrangement

The economic advantage of designing systems to operate with high water temperatures is often overlooked. In the days when the open gravity system was in common use, the design water temperature was generally limited to 180 F in order to be sure no boiling would take place in the system. The closed, forced-circulation system of today is operated under pressure, and therefore, design water temperatures as high as

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* "Radiant Baseboard Heating and Effects of Reduced Thermostat Setting and Open Bedroom Windows at Night," W. S. Harris and R. H. Weigel, Univ. of Ill. Eng. Exp. Sta. Bull. No. 391.

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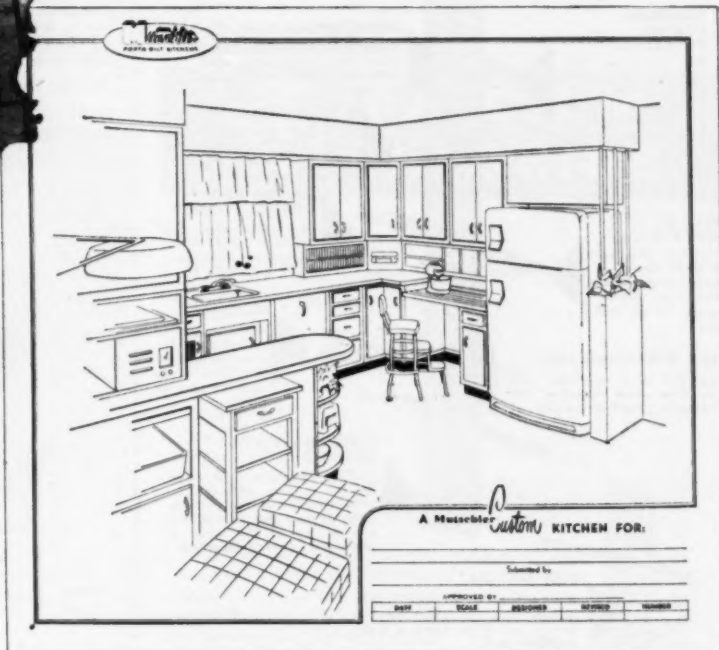
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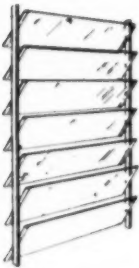
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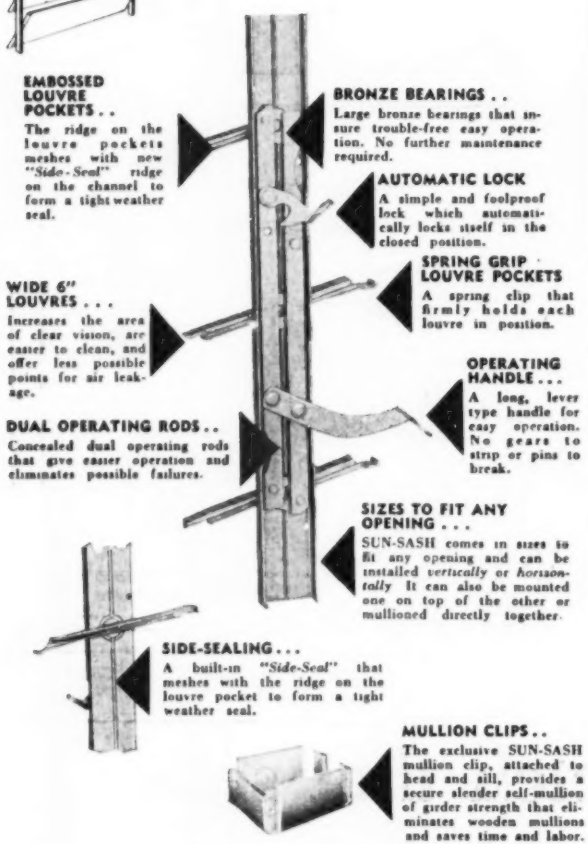
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heating

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215 F can be used with assurance that boiling will not occur. Increasing the design water temperature above 180 F reduces the amount of radiation required by the percentages shown in Table 2.

Above all else, when designing a hot water heating system for peak performance and low installation cost it is important to size the system according to carefully made heat loss calculations and to avoid making increases in the amount of radiation or in the boiler size "just for safety's sake." Figure 2 is a graphic representation of a heat balance of the I-B-R Research Home. While sufficient radiation was provided to offset the heat loss, Figure 2 shows that only a fraction of the total heat required was supplied by the radiation. The remainder was obtained from the so-called "pipe and chimney losses" and from other sources such as electricity, cooking and human occupancy. Thus, providing

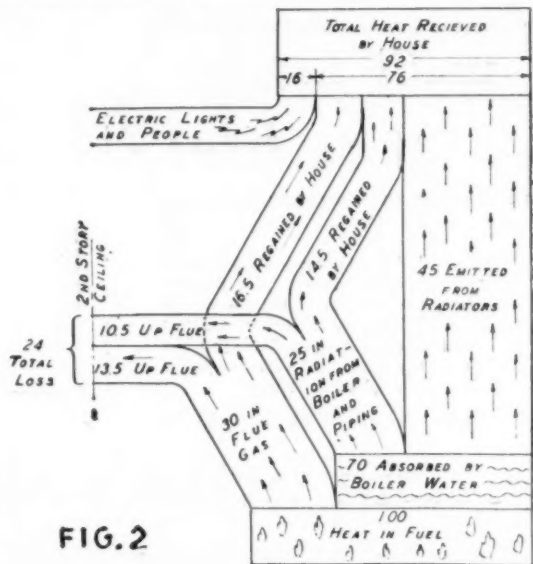


FIG. 2

HEAT FLOW DIAGRAM OF THE I-B-R RESEARCH HOME

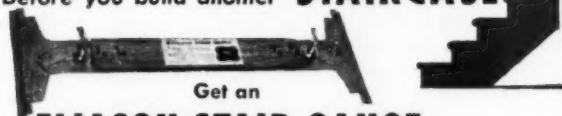
Heat Balance, I-B-R Research Home—This heat balance was obtained by actual test on a one-pipe, forced-circulation, hot water system designed in accordance with the I-B-R installation guides. A relatively large proportion of the so-called "radiation losses" from boiler and piping, and flue losses eventually are utilized to offset heat losses from the house, making it necessary for the radiation to provide for only a portion of the heat loss the ratings of the equipment are correct, there are enough safety factors in the accepted design methods to prevent undersizing. Assurance of proper ratings may be had by selecting code-rated equipment.

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are given in Table 3. The following hot water systems were laid out for this house:

1. A conventional one-pipe, forced-circulation, hot water system using baseboard and a design water temperature of 180 F.
2. The same as 1, but with a design water temperature of 215 F.
3. The same as 2, but using simplified piping and omitting radiator valves.
4. A series connected baseboard system using a design water temperature of 215 F.

A summary of the materials required, material cost at trade prices, and an estimate of the direct labor cost based on a scale of \$3 per hour are given in Table 4. The labor estimates are based on a report of a time study of piping in a large manufacturing plant and do not include allowances for indirect time charges such as supervision and clerical work.

It may be seen that merely increasing the design water temperature from 180 F to 215 F reduced the cost by \$75.28, or about 9 per cent. Elimination of unnecessary swing joints and valves resulted in an additional cost reduction of \$29.57, and by using a series

TABLE 3

Data on Basementless House

Room	Dimensions	Heated Space, cu. ft.	Calculated Heat Loss, Btu's per hr.*
Utility Room	8 ft. 0 in. x 11 ft. 10 in.	755	5,490
Kitchen	9 ft. 3 in. x 11 ft. 10 in.	784	6,384
Living Room	11 ft. 10 in. x 19 ft. 10 in.	1,869	13,680
Front Bedroom	9 ft. 11 in. x 11 ft. 10 in.	935	7,102
Rear Bedroom	8 ft. 9 in. x 11 ft. 10 in.	831	6,612
Bath	5 ft. 0 in. x 8 ft. 1 in.	324	2,394
Hall	7 ft. 1 in. x 13 ft. 7 in.	204	570
Totals		5,702	42,312

* Based on indoor temperatures = 70 F

Outdoor temperatures = -10 F

loop system, the cost was reduced by another \$58.42. In other words, the series loop system based on a design water temperature of 215 F may be installed in this five-room house for \$671.08, a savings of \$163.27 (about 19.5 per cent) over the cost of a conventional one-pipe system based on a design water temperature of 180 F. Greater savings would be possible on larger systems.

The values in Table 4 are based on the use of quality, code-rated equipment, and the savings indicated are conservative in that no additions have been made to cover indirect costs, overhead and profit. These would increase the cost values given in the table by 30 per cent or more, and would result in corresponding increases in the savings effected by the use of high design water temperature, simplified piping and series loop systems. If the contractor will take advantage of these, there is no reason why good hot water heating systems cannot be installed at a competitive cost.

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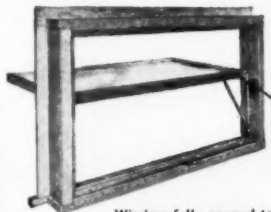
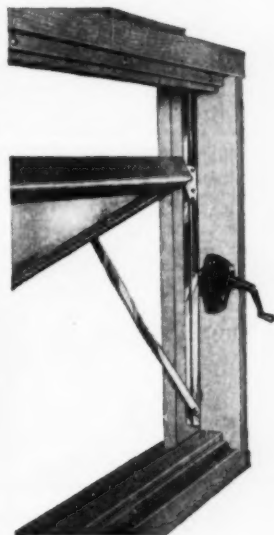
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Before ordering glass, measure the back wall along the tub length. Measure the various lengths of base required and make cardboard patterns of plumbing outlets



An easy way to lay out the cardboard template is to chalk the ends of the fittings



Place template so it rests on tub rim with left end butting against back wall. Apply pressure against pipe fittings to pick up the chalk impression on template



Reverse cardboard and check to see that proper chalk impressions have been made on the template

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Place two pieces of a match cover in mastic on tub rim upon which the glass is set. This prevents the glass from setting directly on the tub rim



Cut holes in cardboard pattern using chalk marks as cutting guide



Place bottom glass panel against back wall (resting on cardboard tabs) and apply pressure against glass to give proper adhesion between glass and wall



Place template over fittings to check hole alignment



Install end panel in the same manner. Butter the edge which butts against the back panel with pointing compound to insure a waterproof seal



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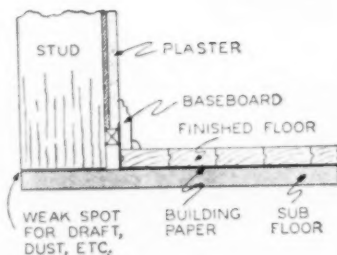
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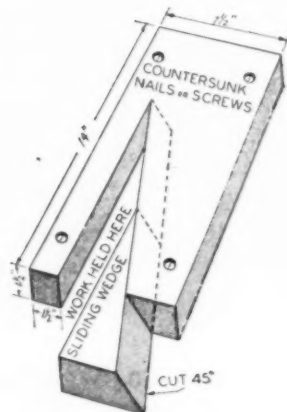
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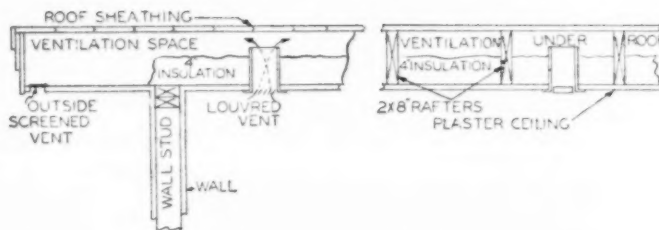
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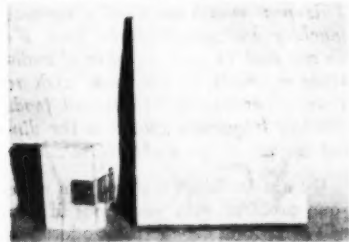
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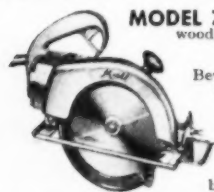
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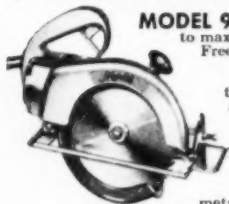


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ventilating with storm sash

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J. R., Salem, Ore.

but cannot stop the cold air from coming in. How does the cold air get into this opening in order to blow through the window pulley rope openings?

W. E. B., Binghamton, N. Y.

You, no doubt, have taken the necessary precautions to eliminate all possible air leakage from the outside around the window frames and window trim. Your side walls are not insulated. Under such conditions, the air space in the side walls becomes extremely cold during the winter as well as the space in which the window weights are contained.

Due to the extreme loss of heat from these spaces, the air becomes very cold and will cause extreme leakages at the window pulley opening. This air movement is caused by a difference in densities of air. The air within the space being much heavier because of its lower temperature which causes a natural circulation of air.

Providing that you have taken every precaution to seal the outside, I see no solution to your problem unless you replace the sash weight-type pulleys with spring-type pulleys and insulate the space around the window frame with a fill insulation.

cleaning concrete floors

About three years ago, we built a dining lodge and kitchen. After the concrete floor had been steel troweled to a smooth finish and had partly set, the contractor was ordered to take a wood float and rough up the surface. As a result, it is hard to keep clean. This past month we used a terrazzo machine and smoothed the floor. We do not wish to paint because of maintenance. Some of the men wish to stain it because of liquids and foods that are frequently spilled in the dining room.

C. U., Dover, N. J.

We are confident that you can solve your problem with your floor if you will refer to the suggestions offered in the booklet "Concrete Floor Finishes" which we have sent you.

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We suggest that you apply metal storm sash adjusters on the side jamb of the window frame, securing them to the storm sash and then providing hangers at the top of the windows and storm sash. In this way the storm sash can be opened a small distance or for the entire distance that the adjuster will allow. This distance should normally be about twelve inches.

cold air comes in through pulley openings

Cold air comes in through window pulley openings in a house of frame construction. The attic is insulated between the ceiling and attic floor. Sidewalls are not. The house is built with beveled siding, wood sheathing. Inside walls are plastered. Exterior sheathing is fitted right to the window jambs.

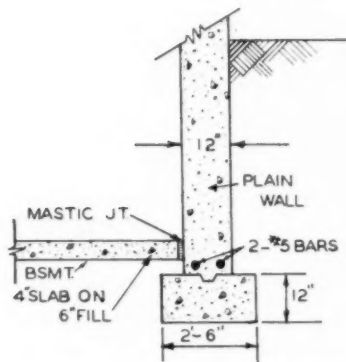
There are storm windows on all openings. The cellar is warm due to furnace pipes. I have calked around windows, filled cracks and done most everything that I know of,

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how large a footing?

I am planning to build a ranch house that will be fifty-two feet long, and twenty-seven feet wide. The house will be one story, with a basement. The lot is made up of a sandy loam. How large a footing will be necessary to support this house satisfactorily? Will I need reinforcing rods in the footing? Would you recommend a ten-inch block for the basement walls or should the basement walls be of reinforced, poured concrete? The house will be of brick veneer.

G. I., Bradley, Ill.



The normal procedure used to design footings for any sort of structure calls for the computation of the weight of the structure and the amount of the live load to be carried by every segment of the footing. The footing is then designed on the basis of this information and upon an allowable soil-carrying capacity determined by a field test of the soil.

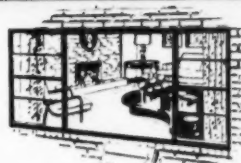
The soils information you have given here is insufficient to determine a bearing capacity figure, since the moisture content, specific gravity and many other factors are not given. But for general conditions, we would recommend that you construct your footing 2 feet 6 inches wide and 12 inches deep with two #5 bars continuous in poured concrete basement wall. This would be a safe size for footings supporting a wall, roof and basement construction.

Wilbur Tuggle,
Structural Engineer

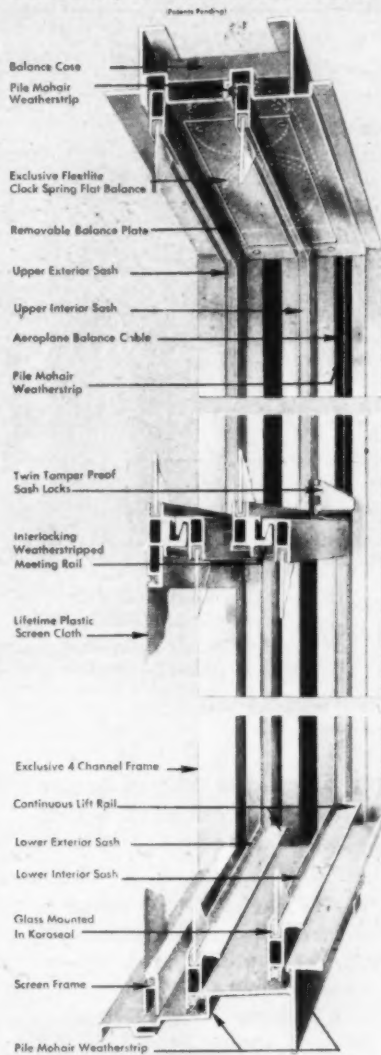
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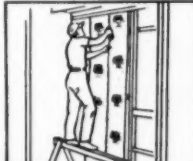
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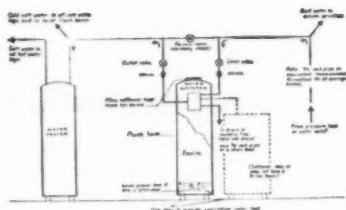
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SYSTEM A—providing installation for soft water throughout the home. Note position of water softener unit in relation to indoor hot and cold outlets

two ways to install water softeners

There are two recommended systems for installing a water softener to serve various home outlets, the Water Conditioning Foundation points out.

System A provides complete softening of both hot and cold water at all outlets. The only exception is hard water for lawn sprinklers, which bypasses the main incoming supply line before it enters the softener.

System B softens both hot and cold water, with the exception of water for toilet flush tanks and outside lawn sprinklers. It is not necessary to extend a separate cold hard water line to the kitchen for drinking and cooking, since soft water is as safe to drink as hard. If hard water is preferred for drinking, a second cold water line will have to be run to the kitchen. For cooking, softened cold water is recommended only because it improves food's appearance.

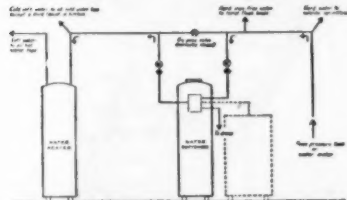
In certain area, water not only is hard but has an iron content which causes rusty-looking stains on enameled plumbing fixtures. Such water requires a combination iron filtering and water softening system for its proper conditioning.

"Do's" and "Don'ts" when installing water softening equipment:

1. Use 3/4-inch galvanized pipe or copper pipe of equivalent water carrying capacity.
2. Install a by-pass line with valve and inlet and outlet valves so the softener or filter may be serviced conveniently.
3. Do not restrict a drain line or

use a long garden hose. The larger the softener or filter, the more important this becomes.

4. Do not connect the drain line solidly into any waste or sewer line for sanitary reasons. It violates most



SYSTEM B—for soft water throughout the home except for toilet flush boxes and outside lawn sprinklers. Provides soft water to all hot water taps

plumbing codes. An open end drain also is desirable to check the rinsing of the softener.

5. Installer should load the softener, backwash, sterilize, place in operation and check for softened water. It is not necessary to regenerate a new softening unit.

6. Comply with local plumbing codes when installing water softening equipment.

We're sorry for the mix-up—

In the article, "An Ideal Mortgage for the Mass Market," featured on pages 33 through 91 of our December issue, houses built by Sidney C. Barnes and Morton Graddis in the Detroit area, and by Joseph L. Curran and Clifford B. Johnson (Fort Dearborn Building Co.) in and around Dearborn, Michigan, were shown on pages 90-91 as examples of what is being done under Section 8. Unfortunately, the houses of Barnes and Graddis described on page 90 are pictured on page 91, while the houses of Curran and Johnson pictured on page 90 are described on page 91. We sincerely regret this mix-up and wish to apologize publicly to the building firms involved.

review of color standards

A 20-page booklet is available which contains a complete review of color standards of interest to the building and construction trades. Listed alphabetically are such items as bathroom accessories, facing tile, kitchen accessories. Booklet is available upon request to Faber Birren & Co., Dept., AB, 500 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y.

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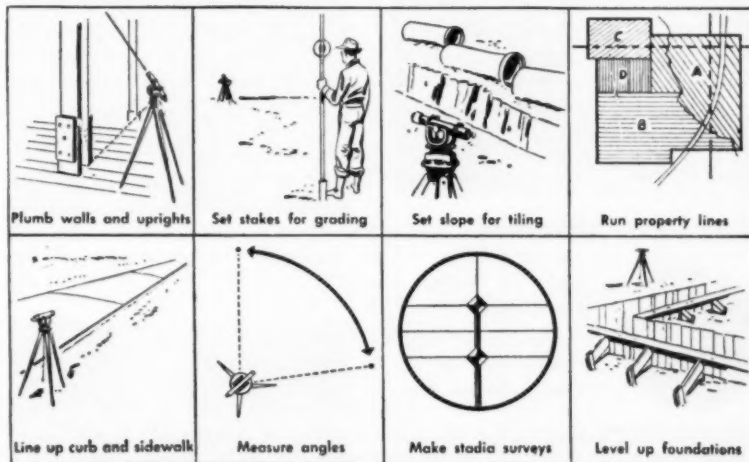
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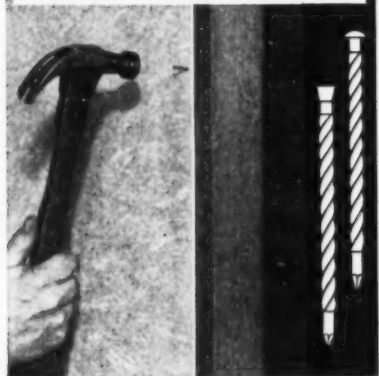
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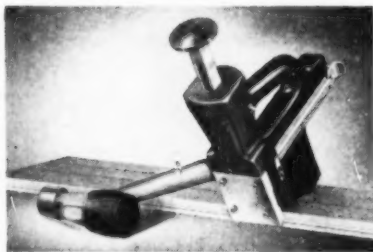
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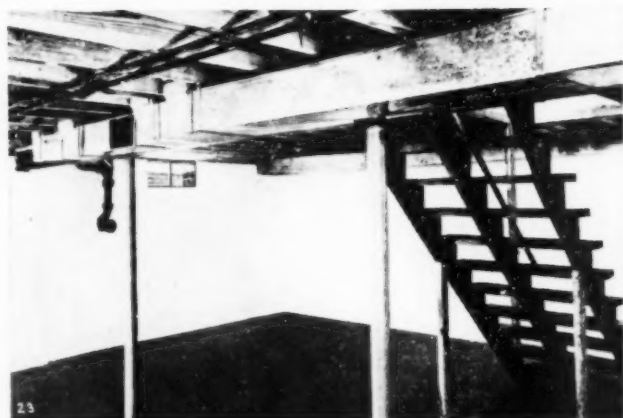
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how to apply masonry paint



Masonry paint, applied on inside walls of basement, helps to prevent water leakage; provides a clean, decorative finish

Important to the application of masonry paint is the preparation of the surface. All excessive and loose mortar should be removed. Clean all dirt, mud and loose particles from the surface with a stiff brush. Then hose down or rinse.

Use a brush of good quality to apply masonry paint. A heavy-bodied, short-bristled white fiber, nylon or china bristle brush may be used for first and second coats. Before applying the paint, wet the surface until it is completely saturated, but not so

that it is dripping wet.

Complete coverage and uniform application of both first and second coats are important. This is especially true when applying colors. Avoid "touching up" or "spotting in" once paint begins to get tacky or to pull the brush.

For best textural appearance, completely finish one section of a wall at a time. Do not apply masonry paint if walls contain frost or when temperatures are below 40 degrees or may be within 48 hours.

Photographs courtesy of American Sta-Dri Company



Applying masonry paints is a one-man job. Clean surface of dirt, dust and foreign matter. Scrub with a fiber brush and clean water so masonry paint will bond



After thorough cleaning, fill all holes and voids. Point up cracks. Special products are available for this purpose



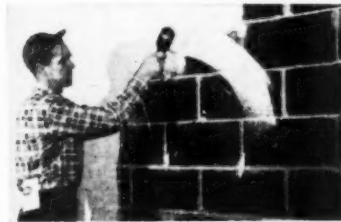
After cleaning and pointing, rub surface with a brick or rubbing stone to knock off surplus hardened mortar and protruding masonry particles



Most masonry paint is available in powder form; requires only the addition of water. Follow directions. Stir into a smooth paint consistency



Wet surface on which the masonry paint is to be applied. Be sure that surface is uniformly wetted before applying paint. A wet surface is necessary for proper bonding of paint



On rough surfaces, use a moderately stiff fiber brush for the first coat. Apply paint with a scrubbing action to penetrate the surface and to fill all pores



For dense, smooth surfaces, use a soft fiber brush for the first coat. Apply paint Brush on masonry paint so that all areas are thoroughly covered

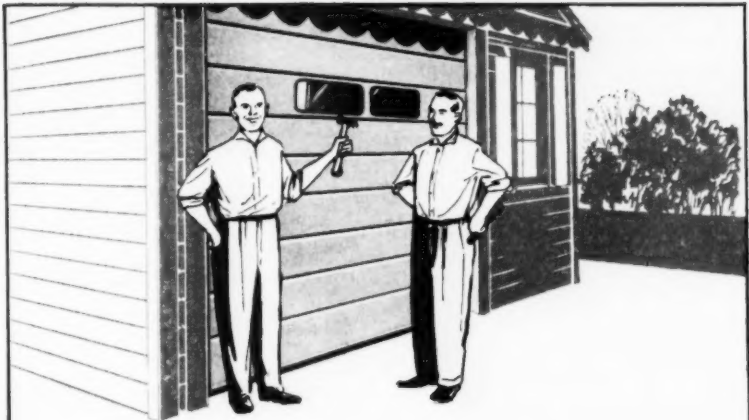


Immediately preceding application of second coat of masonry paint, wet down surface to be painted



After wetting surface, apply second coat of masonry paint. Use a brush like the one shown. Brush on paint to cover surface completely

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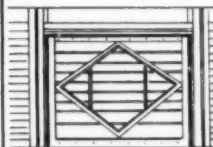
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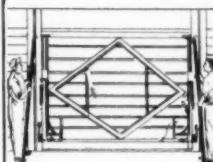
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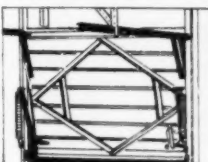
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