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Government Expenditures
A Threat to Private Enterprise

ONE of the most important speeches in the history of Congress was made on May 19 by Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia. It constituted a severe indictment of the leadership of both great political parties for so conducting the financial affairs of the government as to threaten the people with a renewal of government deficits and a break-down of the private enterprise system.

Senator Byrd estimated that expenditures contemplated by policies in process of adoption by Congress would amount to $43.8 billion, $47.5 billion and $49.6 billion in the three fiscal years beginning July 1, 1948. He estimated government receipts at $40 billion annually if tax rates are not increased and general business does not decline. These expenditures and receipts would cause deficits of $3.8 billion, $7.5 billion, and $9.6 billion during the next three fiscal years. The estimates of Senator Byrd, who is a Democrat, were supported by Senator Reed of Kansas, who is a Republican. Senator Reed said: "I am trying to shame my Republican colleagues into carrying out the economy they promised."

When President Truman in January, 1947, sent Congress a budget of $40 billion the Republicans in control of Congress voted in the House to reduce it by $6 billion and the Senate by $4.5 billion. Yet when Senator Byrd made his speech, they were supporting annual expenditures of $44 to $50 billion! Their principal alibi for the change in the spirit of their dreams has been the demand for huge expenditures to "stop communism" by aiding European recovery and providing for military preparedness. Whatever increases in expenditures for these purposes were justifiable made an incontrovertible argument for economizing in expenditures for other purposes. But, as Senator Byrd pointed out in detail, legislation pending would result in lavish extravagance in expenditures for numerous other purposes. The bill that especially inspired his speech forcibly illustrated the point. As later finally passed by both houses, it appropriated $739 million for "improvement" of rivers and harbors—the largest appropriation in history for this old-fashioned kind of vote-buying "pork barrel" and an increase of $206 million over that made for 1948.

As Senator Byrd emphasized, the private enterprise of the country cannot stand federal expenditures of $50 billion a year plus state and local government expenditures at the current rate of $13 billion. They would either (1) cause large government deficits or (2) necessitate increases in taxes to prevent them. Deficits would stimulate the tendency toward ruinous inflation with which private enterprise is threatened. An increase in taxes on business or on large individual incomes or on both large enough to prevent deficits would dry up the sources of the new capital, the investment of which in the improvement and expansion of plant is essential to enabling private enterprise to continue high level and increasing employment and production.

Why make huge expenditures to "stop communism" abroad and then add so much for other purposes that total expenditures threaten to break down private enterprise at home? Why did the Republicans pass over President Truman's veto a bill to reduce taxes if they intended to turn right around and begin voting appropriations demanding an increase of taxes?

The surest way not to stop communism, but to promote it both abroad and at home, would be for Congress to follow policies, especially of spending, that would cause that collapse of business in the United States which the communists have been confidently predicting and hoping for.
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About roofings, he says: "We like Barrett because Barrett is a roofing outfit through and through and concentrates upon giving good roofing value."

Good merchandise and good merchandising methods helped to build this modern building of John J. Demarest, Inc. Note big windows to accommodate product-selling window displays.

Mr. Wray (seated) and Mr. Demarest take a genuine interest in the problems of their customers and their community. In addition to being successful merchants, Mr. Wray is vice president of the local building and loan association and both men are prominent in other civic affairs.

 ATTRACTIVE PRODUCT GROUPINGS are important in Mr. Demarest's merchandising program. "Often when customers come in for roofing or lumber, they see our display of protective paints and other Barrett items. It adds up to extra business," he says.
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How to get more information about tile

Contact your local tile contractor

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Builders in those areas where building is proceeding at a pre-war pace or not even keeping up with pre-war activity may tend to discredit these national figures which show that construction is exceeding the highest year in history. Of the many factors related to markets for construction, not all are operative in particular areas and the influence of any factor varies from state to state and from region to region. Some of the factors in the relative construction volume among the states are population shifts, employment, income payments and construction costs.

New data has recently been made available by the Department of Commerce. It shows for the first time a breakdown of construction activity in each of the states of the nation.

**Biggest gains** since 1941 have been made by California, Texas and Florida in which one-third of residential building activity was concentrated in 1947. Oklahoma, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Virginia are also big gainers.

Fewer new homes were built in 1947 than in 1941 in the states of Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, New York, North Dakota, Vermont, and the District of Columbia. In contrast to peak building activity in the twenties which consisted, for the most part, of apartment buildings, the present building volume is in single-family houses in small towns. These towns may or may not be in the metropolitan centers adjacent to large cities. Of 109 metropolitan districts, which include all the largest cities in the United States and their neighboring suburbs, 55 showed a decrease in residential building in 1947 as compared with 1941. According to Bureau of Labor Statistics, 600,000 (70 per cent) of the 849,000 dwelling units started in 1947 were built in towns of under 20,000 population.

Included in metropolitan districts where residential building has dropped spectacularly from 1941 are Allentown, Pa.; Bridgeport, Conn.; Charleston, W. Va.; Galveston, Texas; Harrisburg, Pa.; Hartford, Conn.; Mobile, Ala.; Norfolk, Va.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Portland, Me.; Providence, R.I.; Sacramento, Calif.; San Francisco, Calif.; Seattle, Wash.; South Bend, Ind.; Toledo, Ohio, and Washington, D.C. Some of these were war centers where large numbers of temporary buildings were erected and are now occupied by civilian workers. Many of the metropolitan districts which have had a downswing in construction are in states showing an increase. This fact is further evidence of the large amount of construction activity in scattered small towns.

**Dependent upon** the volume of new residential construction are new commercial, industrial, institutional and other building. Much of the residential building done in suburban areas requires new stores, public garages, service stations, office buildings, and amusement buildings. Also needed are churches, schools, libraries and hospitals to serve the new residential communities. Thus, the present commercial and institutional building consists largely of small buildings.

**Continued cost increases** in construction materials and labor are expected. Prices of key building materials in the first quarter averaged about ten per cent above the same period for 1947. Recent freight rate increases are one underlying factor in raising material prices. After a brief decline, lumber prices have risen in recent weeks and are expected to remain at this level for several months. Increased wage scales are now effective for most building labor. **Physical production** of building materials this March, according to the Department of Commerce, was about 6 per cent higher than last March. Production of gypsum board and lath was more than 50 per cent higher this March than in March 1947. Production of other materials in tight supply during a portion of 1947 (hardwood flooring, soft wood plywood, clay sewer pipe) also have recorded substantial increases over March 1947. Production of hardwood flooring was 32 per cent higher than in the previous March. Production of softwood plywood was 33 per cent higher, and production of clay sewer pipe, 12 per cent greater than in March, 1947.

### Geographical Distribution of New Construction

**Dwelling Units Started—1940 to 1947—By Geographic Distribution**

| Source: Office of Domestic Commerce Construction Division |

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BASEMENT ENTRANCES—The other day an irate home seeker pointed out that hardly any of the contemporary house plans provide outside entrances to basements, and wanted to know why. He said that a basement with only an inside stairway is useless as a store room for tools or as a workshop, and that as a recreation room it is a fire trap. He insists on outside basement entrances, and American Builder invites discussion.

FLOYD B. QUIGG—He publishes Wood Industries Weekly in Washington, usually knows what is going on in legislative circles and how to get it to his readers. He considers S. 866, and other omnibus bills, as written on in the reverse order of the disposition of T-E-W bill in the House.

GOAL IS SOCIALISM—Witnesses appearing before the House to testify in favor of S. 866 left no doubt about their ultimate aims. Witnesses demanded everything from replacement of two-thirds of the nation's houses at government expense if necessary, down to five times as many public housing units as called for in S. 866 to a guarantee to the public of freeorkd shops and housing.

GEORGE L. BLISS—He's president of the Century Federal Savings Assn., New York, and says, "Public housing was originally promoted for the laudable purpose of clearing the slums. Next it was urged to relieve war-induced housing shortages. More recently its sponsors advocate erecting public housing on vacant land. The latest wrinkle is a proposal for what is deceitfully termed "unsubsidized" public housing for higher income groups." He then pointed out that there is no such thing as unsubsidized public housing.

PUBLIC HOUSING—It is built to rent for some fraction of its cost, and to bear less than its fair tax load. The deficit has to be made up by increasing the taxes of individual home owners.

OMNIBUS BILLS—S. 866 is a good example of this type of legislation, and is written with the intention of keeping all factions happy or at worst only mildly hostile. Thus, an omnibus bill never reflects a clear cut policy, is always an unsatisfactory compromise, and generally a snare and a delusion. No faction gets what it wants, and usually years of court action are required to get anything like clarification of what such a bill really means.

WHAT TO DO—Under our form of government there probably is no way to outlaw omnibus bills, but until they begin with a clear definition of economic and political policy, no one is likely to be happy about them.

VOICE OF HOPE—Samuel B. Pettengill says there is a league of honest men, unorganized and scattered, and quotes the following from one of his numerous letters he gets. "I am just a poor working man, but I know there is no Santa Claus and that in time a bucket will run dry. I am a veteran of World War I, A.E.F., and if Europe has anything that would improve our country, I don't know what it is. Our politicians are all trying to cater to different rackets at the same time."

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES—Churchill rallied a staggering England to victory by promising nothing but blood, sweat and tears. It is interesting to speculate on how far a major party presidential candidate would get in 1948 by promising nothing but the right to work and sweat as the only guarantee of individual security. Chances are that among the several candidates, everything but that realistic promise will be made during the presidential race.

TIMING—It's too early for a candidate to be able to afford such a promise, just as 1939 was too early for Churchill. Sooner or later, however, the increasingly tangled economic structure will demand a candidate who will have to tell the public that their salvation lies only in hard work, and not in government paternalism.

NATIONAL HOME WEEK—In some cities it will be Home and Home Furnishings Week, because of the eagerness of home furnishing stores to completely equip one or more homes to be exhibited during the week.

BUILDING VOLUME—With 90,000 starts in April, 1948 is off to a bigger potential than 1947, in spite of critics who try to make the public believe that prices are unwarrantedly high.
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ARCHITECTURAL STYLES

To the Editor: I would like to make a suggestion in reference to the blue prints usually in the middle of the magazine. The plans, elevations and sections consist almost entirely of modern rambling homes. While the trend is modern today, there are many who like colonial, or especially Cape Cod. I beg to suggest that the blue prints vary, using modern, colonial and Cape Cod alternately. I hope you will take this into consideration, and that with your approval we will see more of other types of architecture in future issues of the magazine.

ALBERT L. BROWN, 1422 Potomac Ave., S. E., Washington 3, D. C.

G. W. Miller to Rep. Wolcott

To the Editor: For the past ten years the writer has fought constantly against socialism and "stateism," and for the system of individual initiative. Now (May 10) we are witnessing an all-out attempt on the part of the public housing organizations, backed by all the left wing elements of the country to force through socialized housing in a presidential year. They seem to figure this is the year, and I firmly believe that if we turn them back now, the country will be wise enough in another four years to give them another chance to destroy our system of government. The effort is so strong that we find the spectacle of public employees using the public's money and the public's time contacting people personally to persuade them to write or telegraph and to permit their names to be used in influencing this legislation.

I have just received a letter from a Senator explaining why he voted for the T-F-A-W bill, and his reasoning would be funny if it were not so serious. Apparently, the people who are backing this socialized housing are doing it for reasons contrary to sound American principles. Voting in one million billions to fight Communism and voting billions for socialized housing the next moment would be considered insane anywhere except in Washington.

Every historic fact proves beyond question that socialized housing will kill private enterprise. The eventual outcome of socialized housing can only mean poorer and poorer housing for less and less people. Socialized housing destroys the initiative of those who produce houses, and makes political parasites and citizen parasites out of the occupants. I plead with you to investigate the background of every proponent of socialized housing. See who these people are.

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are, and what their purpose is before you give value to their testimony.

The same deceit that has caused the destruction of Europe is being employed in extreme measures in this attempt to force public housing on the people of America. I personally called several of the people in Detroit whose names were used to pressure the vote in the Senate, and these people did not know what the bill was about. One of them was a top official in a Detroit organization of executives. Be sure that the American people know the truth about public housing, and we need have no fear of the result.—GEORGE W. MILLER, Miller Homes, Inc., Detroit, Mich.

Building fiasco

To the Editor: On the termination of the war effort, I returned from the service with plans fully developed for the construction of a twenty-two unit rental housing group on land that I already owned. I was and I am prepared to finance such construction personally. I found that the local rental housing board had thoroughly messed things up and were following a policy discouraging such construction although rental units of a desirable kind are perhaps scarcer locally than elsewhere. While it is true that housing regulations do not cover new construction the fact is, however, that government "messing" with rents generally has a most positive indirect effect and this, plus the ever constant threat of Congress to go directly into the building business, does not persuade me that conditions would be healthy for the individual. I have had direct personal experience as to this and here is a tip to those of you who are fighting such socialistic tendencies:

I was with T.V.A. at the time the Town of Norris was under construction and had first hand information as to all essential details. You will recall that originally this was a grandiose scheme to demonstrate how the government could build a whole new town of residential units to rent at a price well within the pocket-book of the little or the average man. It demonstrated no such thing. After some 175 units (I think it was) had been built at a cost in excess of ten millions of dollars and was operating at some half million dollars annually in excess of gross revenues from all sources and the whole scheme was rapidly approaching a scandal, I was directly commissioned by A. E. Morgan, Chairman of the Board, to make a survey and report to the Board. This report contained so much dyna...
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mite that it was ultimately suppressed but T.V.A. from that time on abandoned the idea of building dream homes and dream towns.

I have just recently noticed the news account of the Town of Norris being offered for sale at something less than ten cents on the dollar cost. What a travesty on the American taxpayer. If you publishers ever wanted a hand-made illustration of what a first class fiasco looks like when the government invades private enterprise you have what you want in the history of Norris. —L. L. CAMPBELL, Asheville, N. C.

Public housing
To the Editor: I am glad to have the article entitled "Public Housing Issue at White Heat." We fought a war to get rid of Hitler, who had all those Nazi ideas, and just why so many Americans want to do as Hitler did, is beyond my understanding. Give us again our free America—IRA ROBY, Wabash, Ind.

Straus inaccurate
To the Editor: Nathan Straus's statement about $15,000 houses is inaccurate, as is Catharine Bauer's statement in the Boston Herald of April 15, that "at no time could more than the top third on the basis of income afford to buy new houses," and Professor Adams' statement in the Boston Herald of April 20 quoting a commission report a third of a century old.

In answer to these misrepresentations of PRESENT conditions you might well give wide publicity to the very important publication, "Why Can Afford Our New Housing?" by the Construction Industry Information Committee for whom Miles Co-lean is economic consultant. He is better known than Mr. Naubert, who does not explain his interest.

You might also count the number of houses selling for less than Straus's $15,000 which have been published in your magazine alone in the past two years. NEW public housing for the lowest income group, paid for by taxpayers many of whom live in far less desirable OLD homes, is grossly unfair to the latter.—CHARLES W. KILLAM, Professor of Architecture, Harvard University, Emeritus, 5 Avon Hill St., Cambridge 40, Mass.

An appreciative reader
To the Editor: I desire to express my appreciation for the greatest building magazine in print, especially the editorials.—CHESTER B. DUVAL, 1724 East 70th St., Chicago 49, Ill.
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Chicago Chapter Has Tribune Aid Promised for National Home Week

An energetic committee of the Chicago chapter of NAHB has enlisted the support of the powerful Chicago Tribune to publicize National Home Week in the Chicagoland area, not only during the week of September 5, but throughout the entire month. The newspaper will link the home building publicity to a home furnishings campaign previously planned for late in September.

NATHAN MANILOW

Nathan I. Manilow, who was re-elected president of the Chicago chapter in May, envisions the planned promotion as the greatest public relations undertaking in the association's history. At least 50 homes built by members will be furnished by various furniture and department stores for exhibition during September. The advertising staff of the Tribune already has about 30 stores who have agreed to furnish houses for builders.

Other houses will be shown unfurnished, some completed, some in various stages of construction. Newspaper, radio and other advertising media will focus attention on the exhibit homes during each weekend in the month.

The campaign will be a joint effort of the Chicago home builders and the Chicago Association of Retail Furniture Dealers, and will include advertising support from many manufacturers and suppliers of building materials and home furnishings.

The Chicago Home Builders Association committee is sparked by Philip Creedon, advertising manager for Edward Hines Lumber Co., who will advise on public relation aspects of the campaign. Detailed plans for continuous publicity are being worked out.

Other officers elected by the association are: vice presidents, Kimball Hill, A. O. Aldrich, Charles Joern and George Arquilla; secretary, Arthur A. Olson; treasurer, Irvin A. Blitz; Eddie Carr, NAHB past president, spoke at the installation banquet.

Erie County Winds Up Home Show, Starts National Home Week Plans

Immediately after finishing a successful home show, the Erie County, Pa., chapter of NAHB set about making National Home Week an event in its locality. A committee was appointed, including Gus Bertelsen, R. B. Way and Cyril Sullivan. Advertising managers and real estate editors of local papers have promised cooperation. Radio station tie-ins are being arranged by Edward Lamb, Toledo.

A number of members expect to have homes ready for exhibition. Bertelson, H. E. Baughman, Floyd Andrus, Julius Schaaf and John Nies already are committed to do so.

Locals Throughout Nation Get Behind Home Week Drive

Reports from local chapters of NAHB reveal that many of the affiliates are actively laying plans and carrying them out to insure the success of the first National Home Week from September 5 to September 11. The publicity wheels are rolling with the cooperation of newspapers, stores, banks and other agencies.

The Minneapolis chapter has appointed a special committee to promote National Home Week and expects that a model house, already under way, will be ready for exhibition. Dallas, Texas, plans participation also.

Committees have been named by the local chapters of Northern New Jersey, New Orleans, San Antonio, Kansas City, Fort Wayne, Ind., and Spokane.

Los Angeles reports National Home Week is to be "a major event here" and that good newspaper publicity has been received. The Detroit metropolitan chapter also tells of fine publicity, and so does Richmond, Va. Bridgeport and Hartford, Conn., announce they will also participate.

Briggs Heads Washington Home Week Committee

Vernon Briggs, Montgomery County builder, and Herbert MacMurray of the Washington Gas Light Co. are co-chairmen of the National Home Week committee for metropolitan Washing-
Each day thousands of new home owners move into brand-new houses. Many have never owned nor taken care of a house before; have little knowledge of all that went into the construction of the house and what will happen to it structurally during the first few years. As it becomes seasoned through time and use, some will be surprised and some a bit disappointed.

I wonder how many of these thousands of new home owners each day have been taken through the house from cellar to attic by the builder or a fully-informed member of his staff. How many have been told exactly how the house was built, what may be expected of it and what care it will require? How many after a few months or a year by the builder have been visited

I wonder how many builders have presented the new owner with a booklet attached to the key-ring—a message of goodwill, an explanation of the house’s characteristics, instructions as to its care and a statement as to responsibility of both the builder and the owner in the matter of maintenance.

What other product is sold without such action by the producer? Not automobiles, refrigerators, radios, fountain pens or anything else of a mechanical nature! Why should a house, requiring the largest investment of a lifetime, a package of innumerable materials, services, appliances and equipment, be the exception to this rule of salesmanship and good will?

Part of the thrill of buying a new home is the fun of showing it off to one’s friends. The satisfaction a buyer has in this very human pastime is immeasurably greater when the owner can speak fluently on his house’s superior structural advantages, can point with pride to the excellence of its insulation, plumbing, heating—things beyond the obvious beauties of bathrooms and kitchens.

It may be argued, “My buyers should know that lumber expands and contracts with the weather—they should know that a paint job lasts only so long—they should know that settlement cracks are bound to occur here and there—they should know this equipment is guaranteed and these things are not.” The fact is that most buyers do not know these things. It is the builder’s job to explain the facts when the house is sold.

Builders of today are more aware of these things than in the past. As individuals and as local builders’ associations, they are printing and distributing booklets describing the “breaking in period”: the nature, operation and maintenance of a house and ensuring the home purchaser that he has dealt with a reputable organization.

In a number of cities, home builders’ organizations have prepared six and eight page booklets explaining all the important things about the new home. In Philadelphia, for example, the first page of the booklet states:

“The Home Builders Association of Philadelphia and Suburbs has prepared this booklet in order to furnish you with necessary information relative to the construction of homes and apartments by our members and in order to give you important information which you should have on the care and maintenance of your new home.

“The members of the Home Builders Association are reputable builders and you have chosen wisely when you decide to buy from a recognized HBA home builder. . . . There are approximately 3,200 component parts in a new home. The materials are the products of nature and the 3,200 parts have not been manufactured by the builder. As in the case of an automobile, a little care and common sense used in the ‘breaking in’ period will assure more satisfactory service and greater joy in ownership over the years. A general knowledge of the rules of proper maintenance and an understanding of materials is essential to this end.”

Oklahoma City Blueprints
Home Week Promotion Plan

Off to a fast start, the Oklahoma City Home Builders Association has developed as complete a plan for National Home Week as any reported. Everyone is being given a job, and plans for financing the promotion are not neglected.

Ben C. Wileman is chairman of the association public relations committee which will handle National Home Week promotion. Other members are: Med Cashion, Jr., Col. Paul Brewer, Howard Tippin, Arthur E. Hatcher, Glenn Hoover, Felix Levy, Dewey Norvell, Jake Roberts and Vernon Downing. The committee is being split into subcommittees on finance, publicity and display.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Junior Chamber of Commerce have promised active cooperation. So has the local newspaper.

Virtually all association members will have homes ready to show. The city will be split into four sections, one day of National Home Week being devoted to each section. Radio programs will tie-in and probably several of the interview-type programs will be arranged.

It has been suggested that the committee work out a budget of the cost of the promotion and allocate half to the builders. The other half would be solicited from other cooperating groups. These would include lumber dealers, appliance firms, and furniture stores.

It is possible that various parts of the homes will be featured on the several days of National Home Week. Monday might be kitchen day: Tuesday, bathroom day, and so on. It is probable that a high school sorority will be asked to furnish a “Bobby soxer” room and the Boy Scouts may furnish a typical boy’s room.

Civic clubs, ladies’ clubs, and churches will be asked to make home ownership the theme of their programs during the week. Mr. Wileman advanced the idea that a national contest might be developed with prizes for a high school essay contest on the subject of home ownership to arouse public interest.
Wallace Johnson Heads Memphis Home Week Unit

Wallace E. Johnson, southern operative builder, is chairman of the committee named by the Home Builders Association of Memphis to publicize National Home Week in the Memphis and mid-south area. Assisting Johnson are Ben P. Dlugach and Frank Jimison.

While details have not been completed, the Memphis unit is enthusiastic over the promotion possibilities. Memphis responds to big promotions, as in the nationally known Cotton Carnival and Christmas Pageant. The association, incidentally, was represented by a "lady-in-waiting" in this year's cotton carnival. Miss Norma Shelton, daughter of J. F. Shelton, an associate member of the association. The association, in compliment, held a pre-carnival dinner dance in May—the first absolutely social affair since its organization.

Seattle Chapter's Officers To Direct Promotion Personally

Officers and directors of the Seattle Master Builders, under the leadership of President V. O. Stringfellow, will serve as a National Home Week Committee. Newspapers and local organizations are being contacted to support the promotion. Among builder members who definitely will exhibit homes in September are Al Balch, O. M. Akers, Weldon Gwinn, Cosmos Building Co., F. R. McAlbee, S. H. Erickson, E. C. Swanson and others.

Women Builders Invited to Form New NAHB Unit

Executive committee believes their accomplishments in industry warrant formal recognition

With so many competent women becoming operative builders, the NAHB Executive Committee has approved the establishment of a Women's Division, according to Frank Cortright, executive vice president. Accordingly, he would like the names of all woman interested in joining the group. The first meeting is scheduled for October at which time the unit will be formally organized and officers selected. The date and place will be announced later.

Any active woman builder who is or wants to join NAHB is eligible to become a member. According to tentative plans, the Division is not to operate as an organization separate from NAHB, but will function as an advisory committee. This is the procedure which has worked so successfully for the Women's Council of the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

Queried as to the usefulness of such an organization to women builders, Mrs. R. B. Butler, prominent woman builder of Tulsa, Okla., and charter member of NAHB, said, "I heartily approve the formation of a Women's Division. It will afford women builders an opportunity to become better acquainted, and encourage them to attend the National Convention. It should build up interest among women nationally and thereby engender good will for the industry as a whole."

Mrs. Henny Mollgaard, youthful woman builder of Milwaukee, Wis., and an active member of her local NAHB chapter, to the same question replied, "Although women builders have always been welcome in this Association, forming this Division gives them additional prestige. I hope women builders will take advantage of this opportunity to become acquainted with each other. We should all be grateful to the Association for this formal recognition."

Marion County, Ind., Builders Plan Active Program for Fall Home Week

The Residential Builders of Marion County in the Indianapolis area have developed and are implementing a promotion program for National Home Week. Plans were worked out by a committee headed by Fred L. Palmer. Other members of the association are Charles O. Grinslade, Dean Gaskill, Robert L. Mason, J. W. VanBriggle, C. F. Rogers and Elmer Meadley, executive secretary of the Marion County chapter.

Under the preliminary program, over 100 builders have been asked to have a home, finished or in process of construction, to display the week of September 5. A letter is being sent all local dealers in building materials, home equipment and appliances, advising them of the advertising possibilities and enlisting their cooperation. The Real Estate Board, Chamber of Commerce, Construction League and Home Show, Inc., have promised cooperation.

The value of home ownership will be emphasized through newspapers, radio talks and luncheon clubs.

The committee favors employing an experienced writer for publicity.

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Floods Delay Portland Plans

The Portland Home Builders Association will put on a home show during National Home Week, but has been unable to make further plans because of the flood disaster. Trucks and cars of members did flood relief work in June.

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Mrs. Henny Mollgaard, youthful woman builder of Milwaukee, Wis., and an active member of her local NAHB chapter, to the same question replied, "Although women builders have always been welcome in this Association, forming this Division gives them additional prestige. I hope women builders will take advantage of this opportunity to become acquainted with each other. We should all be grateful to the Association for this formal recognition."

Marion County, Ind., Builders Plan Active Program for Fall Home Week

The Residential Builders of Marion County in the Indianapolis area have developed and are implementing a promotion program for National Home Week. Plans were worked out by a committee headed by Fred L. Palmer. Other members of the association are Charles O. Grinslade, Dean Gaskill, Robert L. Mason, J. W. VanBriggle, C. F. Rogers and Elmer Meadley, executive secretary of the Marion County chapter.

Under the preliminary program, over 100 builders have been asked to have a home, finished or in process of construction, to display the week of September 5. A letter is being sent all local dealers in building materials, home equipment and appliances, advising them of the advertising possibilities and enlisting their cooperation. The Real Estate Board, Chamber of Commerce, Construction League and Home Show, Inc., have promised cooperation.

The value of home ownership will be emphasized through newspapers, radio talks and luncheon clubs.

The committee favors employing an experienced writer for publicity.

Floods Delay Portland Plans

The Portland Home Builders Association will put on a home show during National Home Week, but has been unable to make further plans because of the flood disaster. Trucks and cars of members did flood relief work in June.
Milwaukee Builders to Erect Whole Subdivision for September Exhibit

A new slate of officers, just taking over the reins of the Milwaukee Home Builders Association, lost no time in developing concrete plans to make the week of September 5 a notable one in the Wisconsin city.

The association has bought a large plot from the municipality and subdivided it into 28 building lots. Members will erect homes on them to sell for $12,000 or less.

The homes will be open to the public during National Home Week, being shown in various stages of construction. When completed at a later date, they will be on exhibition again.

It is probable that the houses will be furnished by the Wisconsin Retail Furniture Dealers Association. Details are being worked out.

Elton Schulz, newly elected vice president, is chairman of the “Parade of Homes” as the project has been called. Roland Teske is the new association president. Harris K. Evans is secretary-treasurer. New directors are Frank W. Beverly and Iver B. Strandberg. NAHB directors are James R. Baer and Frank Kirkpatrick.

Pittsburgh Area Builders Name Home Week Workers

The Home Builders Association of Allegheny County, Pa., in the Pittsburgh area, has named a National Home Week Committee. It includes Fred C. Cook of the Duquesne Light Co., Charles Keenan, Equitable Gas Co., and Robert D. Diedrich of Johnson-Manville Sales Corp.

The committee will have a booth in September at the Allegheny County Fair which draws a million and a half visitors. Press, radio, and other publicity is planned.

Library of Homes in Brooklyn Bank Brings Long Island Builders Dividends

The Home Builders Association of New York City, together with the Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn, has prepared a nucleus of homes to be exhibited in the bank’s branches.

These homes will be attractive, cost $12,000 or less, and will be completed within the first two years.

Enthusiastic support of National Home Week in Cleveland by the press is a foregone conclusion. All local papers there have promised support, and their advertising departments already are at work on promotion.

In fact, with the announcement of the week, one paper expressed a desire to take an associate membership with the Cleveland chapter of NAHB, and another is considering it.

Initial publicity by the Cleveland Daily News, coupled the mayor’s proclamation of National Home Week with a statement by Alex Bruscino, president of the Cleveland unit, and another by Jim Funaro, executive director, which pointed out that builders today are not using the archaic methods of construction of which they so often are accused.

Mr. Bruscino has appointed a committee to outline association members’ participation in National Home Week. Both sale and rental properties, under construction and complete, will be shown to the public, including apartment projects being erected for veterans.

Library of Homes exhibit set up at the bank by the Long Island Home Builders Institute

“Library of Homes” is a phrase copyrighted by the Long Island Home Builders Institute. It was one of the fruitful ideas of Otto Hartwig, executive secretary. He took the idea to the president of the Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn. The result was filled with benefits for both the bank and the institute.

The Library of Homes is just a part of a permanent exhibit maintained in the bank to interest prospective new home buyers. It consists of a series of panels, arranged around the show room, with photos and floor plans on separate panels showing homes built by various members of the Long Island association. Several builders already have had their projects visited by “lookers” who saw the panels at the bank on the opening of the exhibit.

George C. Johnson, president of Dime Savings, has planned an expenditure of over $50,000 to advertise the home buyers’ exhibit. The campaign was started with a large-sized advertisement in 16 New York and Long Island newspapers with support from direct mail, radio and 24 sheet billboards. Records show that the second week after the opening, over 4,000 persons had visited the exhibit, and 100 made inquiry by phone or mail.

This advertising cost the builders nothing but the effort to prepare their panels to exhibit.
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For Smaller Kitchens...
"Space-Saver" Package Gives Small Kitchens Big-Kitchen Advantages!

"Space-Saver" Refrigerator, only 24" wide, is full 6 cu. ft.—holds 50% more than the prewar model of identical outside dimensions. Companion range is only 21" wide—new design permits installation flush against wall. Stars a full-size oven... three new, Electric-Fast tilt-up surface units—one 3", two 6". Kelvinator quality throughout.

For further information, write Kelvinator Division, Nash-Kelinator Corporation, Detroit, Michigan.
Survival Through Cooperation

NATIONAL HOME WEEK, beginning September 5, has found widespread endorsement locally among all components of the home building industry. By early June, programs for the week were reaching completed form in over fifty cities, and preliminary plans were well advanced in scores of other cities and towns. Groups of builders, dealers in both building materials and home furnishings, financing institutions, realtors and others were quick to see the public relations and promotion opportunities afforded by all factors coming together to work as coordinated local teams.

Reports indicate that the programs being evolved for the observance of National Home Week by these local teams are being tailored in accordance with individual community needs and resources. Thus, the programs vary, and the fact that they do, is another proof of the well known fact that home building is a local business. Most, if not all of the programs, took form from the Outline of Operating Plan and supplementary suggestions from the NAHB office in Washington.

Probably no single local program will embody all of the suggestions, but there is no single community, no matter how large or how small it may be, that cannot draft from the suggestions a program of value to home owners, home buyers and home builders. In some cases the local associations or committees themselves are building demonstration homes to supplement those of builder members. In many cases, churches, youth organizations, service clubs, women’s clubs and chambers of commerce are playing leading roles. In all cases the editors and business managers of local newspapers are cooperating.

The makeup of the committees proves another fact, that almost without exception there is a high potentiality for teamwork and cooperation at local levels, due to understanding and appreciation of the functions of the various factors and their dependency on each other. Without exception, all of the committees formed up to the first of June included representatives of all the local segments of the industry.

National Home Week will not be observed in every community in 1948. It is too much to expect that it would be the first year. It will, however, be observed in hundreds of cities and towns where some organized segment of the home building industry, or some individual trained in the value of publicity and aware of the public relations possibilities takes the initiative.

While the principal object of the week in those communities will be the accomplishment of a dramatic public relations and merchandising job for the local home building industry, much more than that will be achieved. At least as important as the avowed objective, will be a demonstration to the industry of what it can accomplish for itself and for the home buying and home owning public when it pools the resources of its autonomous segments in a cooperative effort. In addition to the great good that will accrue to the industry and the public locally, the activities of the week might go far toward establishing the pattern for a greatly needed industry study and advisory voice at regional and national levels.
BUILDING permanent value and sound sales appeal into kitchens for today's homes involves far more detail than any other room in the house. Economical achievement of beauty combined with efficiency is essential. It is essential because national publicity and advertising in consumer publications have educated housewives on the basic principles of the compact, scientifically-planned women's work centers now available. Today's housewife home purchaser knows that she walks the equivalent of travel from New York to Los Angeles every year in her own home. She wants to hold that travel to a minimum. She also knows that she will cook more than 37,000 meals in her lifetime—almost ten years cooking and cleaning up after meals in the kitchen.

The successful home builder also knows these facts. He also knows that well-planned, well-equipped kitchens in the houses he builds can be one of his most powerful sales tools—another reason why it is essential he keeps abreast of current trends in installing efficient, attractive kitchens. When the location and layout of the kitchen and bathroom conform to the desires and theories of a prospective housewife home purchaser, she will do considerable compromising on other rooms in the house. A little more money and time invested by the home builder in planning and building his kitchens will be more than offset by savings in sales expense. This is proved by actual experience. An Eastern builder recently had several men working as salesmen on medium-priced houses. After a relatively short period of time, it was discovered that one salesman was selling more houses than all the other men combined. A study of how this man operated proved that he was concentrating attention of prospective purchasers on kitchens in the houses. Because the builder had deliberately planned quality and efficiency in his kitchens, the salesman's technique insured interest of the women and proved a clincher in the deals.

The compact, attractive kitchens available today did not just happen. They evolved from countless hours of research, financed by numerous manufacturers and home economics agencies. The wide range of sizes and shapes that may be assembled from standard units are based on actual studies in time and motion. Certain definite types of arrangement of the various units have been developed. These fall within dimensional limitations which are followed by the successful builders. Actual studies of the location and layout of kitchens in the houses in actual living situations have been made and approved. These studies will save the builder time and expense in planning the kitchen.

KITCHENS that can be photographed before they are built are assembled by Hotpoint with scale models and special lights

WESTINGHOUSE offers kitchen planning service for builders and consumers with special "Visualizer Sheet" and other equipment
Well-planned, well-equipped kitchens in every house constructed can be one of the home builder's most powerful tools for easy selling and for permanent owner satisfaction.

A well-planned kitchen has many advantages, including greater efficiency and ease of use. At Kitchens of the American Central scale model the plans are brought to life, allowing the builder to see the kitchen before construction begins. Actual inside wall measurements, the location of all doors and windows, rough plumbing and ventilation are factors which should be determined accurately in relation to equipment before construction starts, if the standard kitchen equipment now available is to fit into the room in an approved arrangement at the lowest possible installation cost. Many manufacturers of kitchen equipment as well as associations interested in kitchens, have comprehensive kitchen planning services available to help builders in planning their kitchens scientifically and economically. Since this service is available, builders can save themselves a great deal of time and expense by taking full advantage of these opportunities.

The basis for determining the correct amount of storage space necessary in a kitchen is the number of bedrooms in the house. One person per bedroom, plus an additional person for the master bedroom, is considered normal occupancy. Studies have proved that six square feet of storage space in wall cabinets is required for each permanent resident of a house. To this must be added...
twelve square feet for entertaining and accumulation. Base cabinet storage is measured on a linear foot basis. As a general rule, base cabinets should occupy all space beneath the wall cabinets not already occupied by the range, sink, refrigerator or dishwasher. If there is sufficient wall storage space, there will usually be adequate base storage. Thus, in a two-bedroom house there would be six square feet of wall cabinet space for each person or 18 square feet. This, plus the 12 feet for entertaining and accumulation, totals 30 square feet of wall cabinet storage space. In some cases window locations limit the amount of wall space available, although there would be plenty of base cabinet space. In such cases the difference should be made up by installing another wall cabinet, a tall shelf cabinet or a storage closet elsewhere in the room, without a base cabinet to correspond with such a unit. The correct balance of wall storage space above the counter is important because substandard space reduces efficiency, makes for poor housekeeping and is the bane of a woman's existence.

Size does not determine the efficiency of a kitchen. The arrangement of the three basic work centers—refrigerator, sink and range—plus the amount of counter space or work area between each of these units, gives the efficiency ratio. Work should flow in one direction with the starting point at the refrigerator. The sink and dish-washer should be located between the refrigerator and range, with the range nearest the food-serving center. Doors to and from the kitchen should be so arranged that there is a minimum amount of traffic through the kitchen work areas.

There are four basic types of kitchens. These are the "U," "L," two-wall and one-wall. There are variations of the "U" and "L" types, plus what is known as an individual center, a combination of a "U" and "L." The orthodox "U" kitchen is the most efficient. By placing the sink on the center wall, preferably under a window.

BY removing small partition in this kitchen it was possible to make a compact, smooth-flowing arrangement of equipment with plenty of storage accessible to three work centers, and a breakfast nook. This is a GE Home Bureau revised plan.
THIS rough sketch of a proposed kitchen layout was submitted by a builder to the Westinghouse Better Homes Department for detailed planning. Solution to problem as worked out by Westinghouse is shown above. This is the type of work being done by a number of well-known manufacturers to assist builders in installing beautiful as well as efficient kitchens.

Steps are saved in working from one area to the other. This type kitchen also lends itself well to plans which include breakfast rooms, meal planning centers and extra cabinet space. Another advantage is that traffic does not flow through the working area.

The "L." shape is compact and efficient when storage, preparation and cooking centers are in correct sequence. The opposite two walls in such a kitchen are open for other uses.

The two-wall or corridor-type kitchen is desirable where breakfast nook and dining room are at opposite ends of the kitchen. Small houses and apartments frequently require this shape kitchen.

The one-wall installation consists of refrigerator, sink and range grouped with cabinets in a straight line. Such a layout is efficient for a small, compact kitchen.

Actual practice and research studies have revealed there are definite maximum and minimum lengths for all counter areas. There should be not less than four and one-half nor more than five and one-half lineal feet of counter surface between the refrigerator and sink. There should be no less than three, nor more than four lineal feet between the sink and range.

There are variations and additions to the above basic principles. Snack bars are frequently extended out from the wall into the kitchen or at the end of an installation. Added touches are rounded corners to provide a radius counter top and base end shelves. In large kitchens, islands are sometimes used to save steps. These are assembled by backing base cabinets against each other and covering with a one-piece top.

A clearance of 18 inches is consid-

THE combined thinking of 10,000 women was incorporated in the new American Central kitchens. Data was obtained by questionnaire and the information used as basis for design. This is another example of service kitchen equipment manufacturers offer the nation's home builders.
THE American Gas Association and member companies have kitchen planning services for home builders. Photograph above shows a kitchen planned by Home Planning Bureau of Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co., Chicago. Original plan as submitted, shown at left, was changed to include a much larger window area, and the sink moved under the window. The range and refrigerator were left on opposite wall, although small pantry was entirely eliminated.

Base cabinets are 36 inches high to correspond with the established height of ranges and sinks. Wall cabinets located over the range should have a clearance of 22 inches above that unit for best results.

Doors and windows should always be located in relation to corners of rooms and equipment to be installed. Major appliances and cabinets are from 24 inches to 28 inches in depth. To clear such equipment a door opening should be not less than 30 inches from the corner. In cases where a range is adjacent to a door, a clearance of 48 inches is desirable. The distance between a window opening and a corner should be a minimum of 15 inches because standard flat wall cabinets are about 13 inches in depth. If this clearance is allowed, wall cabinets can be installed all the way to the corner. Because backsplashes vary from about 3 inches to 8 inches in height, placed above the 36-inch high base cabinets, the underside of window sills should be not less than 44 inches from the floor to provide enough space for the backsplashes.

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Provision should always be made for an adequate supply of hot water at the correct temperatures, as well as for good lighting, adequate wiring, electric outlets and proper ventilation.

Good kitchen planning goes farther than the basic layout of work areas and equipment. Because a woman spends so much of her time in the kitchen, it is desirable for the builder who would appeal to her desires to have the room bright and cheerful as well as functional. Open shelves for pottery or plants and large window areas, especially over the sink when a good view is available, always add a cheerful note and have strong appeal to the prospective housewife purchaser.

The modern kitchen should always be planned as closely as possible to fill the anticipated needs of the family that is to use it. Providing space for extra-curricular activities where possible is important. Such areas consist of breakfast nooks, snack bars, children's play areas, space for ironing or sewing, laundry facilities, and work desks. Higher building costs, elimination of basements and compact room planning make it essential that the greatest utilization of space be achieved.

THE fluorescent lighting in this kitchen was designed by Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., and is an example of shadowless appearance which can be achieved.
THE house plan at left was submitted to the GE Home Bureau for kitchen detailing before construction was started. Note how the dining room was moved to create a more open plan and better utilize space. Major changes in house plans such as this are not the general rule. Usually minor changes in plans are sufficient.

The Kitchen and Its Relation To the Complete House Plan

MODERN kitchen equipment cannot be considered as furniture. Like plumbing, but unlike furniture, it is an integral part of a house. Without kitchen equipment the house cannot satisfy the requirements of its occupants as a residence, and once kitchen equipment is installed, it cannot be moved about the room except at considerable expense and disruption of normal activities.

To assure good appearance, as well as efficiency, plans for the interior of the kitchen with appliances and cabinets properly located, should be drawn at the time the complete house plans are prepared. By following this plan, adequate wiring, plumbing and gas line connections can be installed in proper sizes and in satisfactory locations much more cheaply than if brought in after construction is partially or wholly past the wiring and plumbing stages. By planning placement of all kitchen equipment at the time the house is planned, extra space may be discovered for such uses as laundry facilities, breakfast nooks, sewing areas, or children’s play areas.

Another important factor here is the location of openings. Doors and windows can be placed in the exact location for maximum efficiency and convenience by advance planning of kitchen equipment placement. A door which swings the wrong way or is misplaced six inches or a foot can throw a whole kitchen out of balance.

Most important of all, however, is determination of the exact inside dimensions of the kitchen and standard equipment in proper locations so all will fit exactly with no odd spaces or corners which call for fillers.

Planning a kitchen beforehand also permits the builder to include major appliances in the initial cost of the house and in most areas, to finance them with the mortgage. This entails no extra cost to the builder. It means extra profits plus a more complete home to offer to prospective purchasers.

Many manufacturers of kitchen equipment have comprehensive kitchen planning facilities to help builders produce beautiful and efficient kitchens in their houses. These manufacturer facilities are handled by personnel who specialize in kitchen planning.

The plans shown on this page typify the job being done in many instances. Both these were handled by the General Electric Home Bureau. The plan at the top of the page was a one-wall and breakfast-nook kitchen broken up by doorways with the refrigerator isolated in one corner. By making a structural change in the stairs, necessitating changes in the floor plans of the basement and second story as well as the first, a more open plan was achieved.

In the plan at the bottom of the page, it was necessary to move the stairway to the left side of the entrance hall. The doorways from the kitchen to the hall and to the breezeway were moved to create an efficient U-shaped kitchen.
Remodeling of old kitchens and the installation of new equipment are factors not to be discounted in current or future market potentialities. The equipment in a kitchen and its arrangement usually date a house and women are as prone to keep their kitchens up to date as they are to change the lengths of their dresses with style trends. When a kitchen in an old home is remodeled and reequipped, the same serious, detailed planning should go into that job that goes into a similar kitchen designed for a new home.

Complete kitchen remodeling jobs are usually inspired by the need for new major appliances which have worn out and also gone out of style. Frequently at the same time appliances need replacement, cabinets and other components of the kitchen are somewhat the worse for wear and also need replacement. In such cases, it is considerably cheaper to complete the entire job in one undertaking and thus deliver a brand new kitchen to the home owner. Mortgage holders will, as a rule, extend or enlarge mortgages for such remodeling purposes so that the builder or dealer who specializes in such work can not only deliver a complete new remodeled kitchen package but also get the job satisfactorily financed.

When structural changes in kitchens are desirable, such as moving or enlarging windows or doors, the builder who follows the sound policy of planning such changes around the equipment to be installed in the kitchen will achieve a much better combination of beauty and efficiency for the home owner. The importance of good lighting, adequate wiring and plumbing facilities should never be discounted in remodeling.

Two "New Freedom" Gas Kitchens

The "New Freedom" gas kitchen above is an expansion of an outdated work area in an existing home. Floor plans show how space was used to not only arrange equipment for efficiency, but also to add a good-sized breakfast nook. Plans for this extensive modernization project were worked out for owner by kitchen planning department of Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. in Grand Rapids.

The Alabama Gas Company's planning service in Birmingham designed this "New Freedom" gas kitchen. The before and after photographs and floor plans show how equipment and appliances were renewed and rearranged into a new kitchen area. See also the "New Freedom" gas kitchen above is an expansion of an outdated work area in an existing home. Floor plans show how space was used to not only arrange equipment for efficiency, but also to add a good-sized breakfast nook. Plans for this extensive modernization project were worked out for owner by kitchen planning department of Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. in Grand Rapids.

WHAT IS A NEW FREEDOM GAS KITCHEN?

To qualify for award of an engraved Certificate Designating any kitchen as a "New Freedom Gas Kitchen," it must:
1. Be scientifically planned;
2. Contain an automatic gas range built to CP requirements;
3. Contain an automatic gas refrigerator;
4. Must be serviced by an automatic quick-recovery gas water heater. Awards are made by the American Gas Association and the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association.
**Victorian Kitchen Goes All-Electric**

Originally a large Victorian kitchen, this room was remodeled into a combination kitchen and laundry utilizing all excess space. The new room designed by Hotpoint, Inc.

Equipment includes an automatic electric range, electric eight-cubic foot refrigerator, completely automatic dishwasher sink with food waste disposal unit, and a home freezer capable of freezing and storing 140 pounds of food. Sufficient wall and base cabinets provide storage space for all utensils and cooking supplies. Revolving shelves were built into corner cabinets, utilizing 90 per cent of the space that otherwise would have been inaccessible.

The laundry includes an automatic washer, dryer, flatplate ironer, and sink, plus sorting counter and adequate storage space for soiled clothes, clothes baskets and soap. An island partition and snack bar partially separate kitchen from laundry, and in addition to providing seating area, create extra wall space for the range. The floor was strengthened here by placing several 6x6 uprights under the beams. Wiring for the range was brought up through the middle of the floor at the partition. All major equipment was wired on separate, heavy-duty circuits. An 82-gallon automatic electric water heater was installed in the basement to supply hot water for the automatic laundering appliances. A vent fan over the range discharging through the ceiling provides ventilation.

In addition to instructions shown on this plan, dining room door was changed to a swinging unit; entry door was rehung to swing out and radiator in corner was replaced by new one under counter.

**LIGHTING** facilities in this remodeled kitchen include a central fixture that supplies over-all lighting, with additional soffit units over the sink and mixing areas. Double windows on both the southern and eastern exposures give pleasant natural lighting.

The old sink was replaced by an automatic electric dishwasher sink and food waste disposal unit, installed in the same location to avoid moving plumbing and to take full advantage of natural light and ventilation from the windows.
A RECENT example of the kind of research which is being done in the kitchen field is exemplified in the work of the Homemaker's Institute at Evansville, Ind., which is sponsored by Servel Inc. In doing the work at Servel, members of the Homemaker's Institute research staff started at grass roots. They made every effort to eliminate all previous conceptions by dropping all theories except the bare essential fact that a kitchen contains three appliances—a sink, range, and refrigerator as well as some work and storage space. Then they set out to prepare a week's meals for each season of the year or 84 meals involving all the usual problems.

During the course of preparation, serving, and cleanup every movement was recorded and when the tests were all completed they had come up with some very different observations than had ever been made before. In fact, so different that the tests were repeated a number of times just to make sure that the results were authentic!

One of the first things they determined was just how much work and storage space should be coupled to each appliance to make an efficient minimum work center . . . and this is an important fact for any builder to keep in mind. They found that there should be a minimum of 36 inches of work and storage space by the refrigerator, 18 inches by the range, and 36 inches of work space by the sink with 18 inches of this work space on each side of the sink bowl. Eighteen inches of storage space, however, was all that was found needed in this appliance unit; thus storage space could be under one side of sink work area while the other work area might well be part of a dead corner. These amounts were determined by finding out the place where food and utensils should be stored at the point of first use. In fact the results showed that during the

ONE of the principles developed by this extensive study is that the range and refrigerator should be near each other. The study also revealed that it is not important that the refrigerator be adjacent to the dining room entrance. The photographs at left and above illustrate these newly revealed principles.
preparation of their 84 meals, the experts had used food and tools first at the sink 1,057 times, at the range 801 times, and at the refrigerator 2,806.

One of the next results which the researchers uncovered and one which is important for a builder to consider is the point that the range unit and refrigerator unit should be kept as close together as possible. The largest number of trips are involved in the preparation of a meal. And they found in their work that of the 1,230 trips made between appliances during meal preparation more than half were between the range and refrigerator.

The researchers found that ideally all doors in the kitchen should be combined into one area, but doors are seldom easy to eliminate or group just as desired, so falling back on their trip calculations the research staff came up with certain observations to guide the builder in making his kitchens as close to ideal as possible.

First, it was in this respect that some older ideas on kitchen planning were disproved. There is no validity in the idea that the refrigerator should be near the outside door or that the range should be placed at the dining-room door.

What they did prove was that by actual count more trips are made from the dining room to the kitchen during cleanup than there are made to serve a meal, so logically the door to the dining area should be between the sink and refrigerator unit. If this is not possible, the sink at least should be close to the dining area door.

As far as the outside door is concerned, the sink unit again plays an important part. For, in performing the acts in bringing in food from the store and disposing of garbage and milk bottles during kitchen cleanup, the sink is the most used appliance unit. This might appear confusing in that the sink unit is important to both the dining room door and the outside door. The need, however, is much greater at the dining area so unless the door areas fall in such manner as to allow the placement of the sink near both doorways, the important thing is to place it near the dining room door with a clear passage planned to the outside door.

The full report as prepared by the research staff at Servel contains many more ideas which are of major importance. The interesting thing about this sort of kitchen planning is the fact that it doesn’t cost the builder a nickel more to turn out a well-planned work unit than some of the ill-considered kitchens which have been offered in the past.

Readers who are interested in a more complete report on this kitchen planning study may write to American Builder, 105 W. Adams, Chicago 3, for supplemental information.

STUDIES show that if cabinet area must be reduced, the first place to shrink it is adjacent to the range. If still more cabinet storage must be sacrificed because of space limitations, the second least critical point is that adjacent to the sink.
Sinks—Dishwashers—Waste Disposal Units

THE type of sink placed in a new home today can work for or against the builder who installed it.

It will add sales appeal to the home if he has remembered that national advertising of sink accessories has whetted the buyer’s appetite for such things as automatic dishwashers and garbage disposal units. In the de luxe home, the builder may include these items. But even in lower cost homes, it gives the builder an extra selling point if he can tell the buyer that the sink has a drain opening large enough for future installation of a waste pulverizer unit.

The buyer may never get around to buying one later, but he is likely to have the idea that he will. For that reason, sink drain openings should be at least 3 1/2 inches, with 4 inches preferred. Some disposal units take a 3 1/2 inch opening, and this larger size gives maximum convenience. The builder installing a waste pulverizer in a de luxe home will be wise to pick a unit and sink with the larger size drain opening.

The kitchen sink is the basic unit around which the rest of the equip-

American-Standard double sink and cabinet installation with unusual counter arrangement and cupboards accessible to both kitchen and dinette

Builder needs to consider future additions to partially-equipped kitchens; advertising of automatic equipment aids in selling homes

WESTINGHOUSE has a new line of sink, base and wall cabinets for kitchens. Note varied storage arrangement in sink

YOUNGSTOWN Kitchensider sink unit. Quite a few home builders feature installations such as this in local advertising
A new kitchen wing is planned. Its size will depend on the overall dimensions of the kitchen, its proportions and the type of equipment arrangement. Drainboard type sinks can be secured in widths of 42, 48, 54, 60 and 66 inches, although the 48-inch is not listed by many manufacturers. For sinks used with custom-built cabinets with a continuous work surface, 24x21 inches is considered a minimum. A 30x21-inch unit gives greater work room.

Two compartment sinks of this type come in 32x21 and 42x21 inches. There is a considerable range in the dimensions of flat-rim, acid-resisting, cast iron sinks. They come in widths ranging in 2-inch steps from 12 to 20 inches. Lengths are 20, 24 and 30 inches. Two compartment flat-rim units commonly used are 32x20 and 42x20 inches.

Cabinet bases of wood or metal can be secured to build beneath the continuous counter sink installation in widths of 42, 54, 60, 66, 72, 78 and 84 inches. The longer units, of course, include base cupboards or drawers in addition to the under-sink cupboards. Some cabinet base makers turn out units of this type in 96 and 144 inch lengths. Being built-in so that the units are definitely part of the real estate, there is no question about their being included in the mortgage.

Contract builders or operative builders of middle bracket and higher priced homes, find that their customers like the chance to include waste disposal units and automatic dishwashers in their financing. The dishwashers can be included in FHA mortgages in all but a very few areas. Waste disposal units also are accepted in FHA mortgages with a few more exceptions.

If there is a possibility that dishwashers or waste disposal units will be included in a new home, the

THIS double-drainboard sink by Crane has unusual faucets with spray for dish rinsing. Simplicity marks design of cabinets and counter

AMERICAN KITCHEN sink units feature recessed drawers with no hardware. Upper cabinets are in harmony. Door pulls on lower cabinets are easy to clean. Ease of cleaning is good sales point. Interesting the woman buyer

ELKAY Lustertone Sink of stainless steel is corrosion resistant. Can be combined with custom-built units as seen in picture

NEW Salter Feathertouch valve has no metal seats, washers or ordinary packing. Made in swing-spout type for kitchens
HOTPOINT kitchen with dishwasher capable of washing dishes for eight persons. A GE Disposall fitted under sink takes care of waste. Manufacturer states it need be used only once daily.

Builder can rough-in electrical service beneath the sink at little additional cost. Conduit should be led through the partitions to this point before the walls are closed.

Disposal units can be linked to conventional plumbing units, if sufficiently large drain openings are allowed. The builder should check his code restrictions to make sure there is no ban on disposing of wastes down the kitchen drain.

Where dishwashers are installed, the builder will want to take the hot water factor into consideration. It requires 180 degree Fahrenheit water for good pasteurization of dishes—hotter than the usual supply. Some units have water heater boosters to raise the temperature at the unit.

Diswashers come in several styles. Most are electrically operated, although there are models driven by water pressure only. Some have counter top openings; some open at the front. Motor driven impellers usually are 1/2 horsepower. Garbage disintegrators also generally use this size motor.

Both dishwashers and waste pulverizing units are being widely advertised nationally. Just as is the case with other appliances included in modern kitchens, this national advertising adds extra sales appeal to help the builder. If the builder provides adequate wiring and plumbing, he can make the addition of dishwasher or disposal unit an extra at the buyer's option.

WESTINGHOUSE Waste-Away unit fits sinks with standard drain opening; requires few connections. Also comes in combination sink with Westinghouse dishwasher.

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THE American Disposer model waste unit mounted beneath a double sink. There is ample storage beneath sink.

THIS compact kitchen, though not typical, shows flexibility of the Ingersoll unit for packaged utilities. This is the kitchen side of one of the Ingersoll installations.

FHA REGULATIONS GOVERNING DISHWASHERS AND WASTE UNITS

Electric dishwashers can be included in FHA mortgages except in areas served by the following district offices: Phoenix, Ariz.; Miami, Fla.; Reno, Nev., and Greensboro, N.C.

Electric garbage disposal units can also be included except in areas served by the following offices: Phoenix, Ariz.; Little Rock, Ark.; San Francisco, Calif.; Camden and Newark, N.J.; Greensboro, N.C.; Philadelphia, Pa., and Seattle, Wash.

They may be financed for rental units only in Oklahoma City, Okla.

THE In-Sink-Erator unit has reversing control switch; two-directional shredding.

THE Mullinaider disposal unit is used beneath Youngstown sink units; is compact.

THIS Dishmatic electric dishwasher heats own water; works automatically.

THE General Electric combination sink and dishwasher has a GE Disposal unit in the sink for waste disposal. Dishwasher is of top-opening type and completely automatic.
COUNTER work surfaces topped with heavy black linoleum have been popular for years. Unit shown is covered with Armstrong linoleum with metal sink rim moulding.

THE CERAMIC-TILED work surface to right of the washing machine forms the cover for a tile-lined clothes hamper. Ceramic tile was also used here for the backsplash.

THIS surface is covered with Plastimetl, a product of Haskelite. A plastic surface is bonded to thin aluminum which in turn is bonded to plywood. It is heat resistant.

Sink Tops
And Counters

Continuous kitchen work surfaces are available in wide variety of materials and color combinations

The wide variety of material available today for surfacing sink and counter tops provides the builder with the opportunity to select for decorative effects as well as practical usage. Because there is such a wide choice in materials, the builder is able to install attractive sink and counter tops for kitchens in houses of all price classes.

The various plastic-laminated products are manufactured in a good range in colors and in several different designs. Linoleum surfaces can be obtained also in a wide color and design range.

Stainless steel or monel metal have their particular appeals, while many builders prefer to install tile surfaces. All sink and counter tops must be installed with care. If the top is not a continuous unit, joints should be made tight to obtain a satisfactory, long-lasting installation.

With the variety of sink and counter top materials available, builders are able to get installed prices on several finishes from their local suppliers, so that in offering homes for sale or in contract building, they will be able to offer prospective purchasers a choice and firm price in materials as well as cost of counter top finishes.

IN THIS stainless steel sink, product of Just Manufacturing Co., the sink bowls are welded electrically to drainboards to eliminate seams or soldered joints. Heavy gauge material is reinforced by under-structural channels. The manufacturer will fabricate sink and drainboard units to any special size or shape builders may require.
SOFT, satiny finish of stainless steel appeals to many who like a corrosion-resistant durable surface. This assembly includes a Tracy Sink and counter surfaces.

SHELL-PLI, a new sink counter covering by Shellmar Products Corp., is a laminated material impregnated with resin. It comes in rolls in red, tan or blue; two designs, linen and monkscloth.

BARGMAN E-Z Drain Sink and Moisture-Lok Unit Molding assembly grips drainboard between sink and molding for sealed joint, made watertight by mastic.

FORMICA laminated decorative material is made for custom kitchens as well as packaged kitchen units. It is resistant to alcohol, fruit acids or alkalies ordinarily used in the kitchen, and high temperatures.
THE Youngstown rolling-door cabinet is a good spot for keeping often-used items.

The successful kitchen of today contains fixed equipment that offers the occupants the greatest amount of ease and convenience in meal preparation. Manufacturers of wood and metal cabinets in a large measure are responsible for the rapid progress made in the development and standardization of the various kitchen units. Extensive research is carried on continually. Simplified construction techniques are sought after. New methods of kitchen routine based upon conducted surveys are opening up new fields of thought.

The modern cabinets of today are a series of integrated units styled to harmonize with the fixed equipment of the kitchen such as range, refrigerator, and sink. The cabinets come in a wide variety of sizes and shapes.

A package line of almost any length can be selected by the builder from the standard units. Where kitchens are to be remodeled, it is vital that dimensions be recorded accurately. The first step is the taking of measurements. This work must be exact. Inaccuracies of 1/4-inch or 1/2-inch may mean that an expensive sink or counter top will not fit properly. Measurements along the walls should be taken at a point 36 inches above the floor. This is the line of the counter top which must fit snugly to the wall.

Prepare a sketch of the existing kitchen, showing the location of the windows and doors. Start, at one corner and continue around the walls, giving the location of all openings. Show the dimensions from corners to door or window casing, as well as overall width of doors and windows including trim. As a check for these figures, measure the entire length of each wall from plaster to plaster. Height of window sill from floor, height of window including trim, width of trim around doors and windows, and the overall height from floor to ceiling are essential. Of extreme importance is the direction of
THE Plastimode Roll-A-Way door operates smoothly and easily to make accessible the entire cabinet or only the portion desired. The cabinets of Carr, Adams and Collier Co., used in kitchen shown at right, are adaptable to any condition.

AMERICAN Central kitchen, below at left, introduces several new features. Recessed counter front and absence of surface hardware are notable. Typical Midwest Kitchen Kraft installation of steel cabinets with featured "Kustomized" counter shown at lower right.
FRIGIDAIRE model kitchen arrangement complete with base and wall cabinets, double drainboard sink. A dining alcove adjoins work area.

GENEVA line of steel kitchen cabinets shown below is efficient in construction and planning, simple in appearance and installation.

THE Lazy Daisy with revolving shelves solves the problem of “hard to get at” corners in the “L” and “U” shaped kitchen arrangements.

THE Murphy Cabranette kitchen units that can be used in a recessed area and enclosed by folding doors, are particularly adaptable for apartment house installation where space is at a premium.
THE Parsons Pureaire kitchen has facilities for cooking, refrigeration, washing and storage in one compact unit

the door swing. The nature of the room accessible from the door should be noted, as this information is pertinent to the kitchen planner. Location of the water source, radiators or registers (give overall size) is also of importance. Any unusual conditions should be noted.

Where kitchen is to be remodeled and the present appliances are to be retained, it is necessary that dimensions of range and refrigerator be listed. It is well to question the owner if windows, doors or any built-in features are to be changed.

To intelligently re-design the kitchen, it is essential that the planner know the number of children and adults that comprise the family, the amount of entertaining done, and the direction the kitchen faces. Before sending the information to the manufacturer a re-check on notes and measurements should be made.

Where rooms are of fractional sizes and cabinets do not fill out the available wall area, then fillers are used to close the openings between wall and fixtures. The kitchen planner may use standard units to fill any desired size or shape room with the addition of fillers to take up remaining odd dimensions less than three inches.

Innovations in the form of accessories, that can be installed in existing cabinets as well as new, are a boon to housewives. All are of the package type, which means easy installation at any time.

FARLEY-LOETSCHER'S DeLuxe kitchen units come in three ways: knocked down, carton packed, set up unpainted, or set up and painted

ADDITIONAL storage space is contained in Marvel unit in drawers, shelves

COPPES-NAPANE Kitchen cabinets, at left, are built of hardwood and custom-finished in baked enamel in a variety of colors. The full-sized table that recesses into the cabinet is a feature of the line

THE Westinghouse steel cabinets, at right, feature flush door and drawer construction, providing a smooth surface easy to clean
The effectiveness and beauty of a new kitchen installation are due in large measure to the character of the streamlined cabinet hardware and mouldings employed.

Differences of opinion on the part of manufacturers, with reference to the nature and type of surface hardware, are indicated by the various methods used. Flush doors without handles or knobs are being successfully employed. They are opened by means of concealed pull joints, fashioned in the bottom of the doors and drawers. Hardware set flush with the surface of doors and drawers has found favor with others. The bulk of the manufacturers, however, prefer the streamlined type of surface hardware usually finished in chrome.

For the expert builder that produces a custom-built cabinet job on the building site, a large selection of hardware and metal mouldings are available. These can be obtained in a variety of styles in matched ensembles with color emphasis on the molded bases and embossed lines, giving harmony to finished installation.

The primary function of metal mouldings, used in conjunction with counter tops, backs and wainscots, is to bind and seal the edges of the surface material where it is exposed to wear and excessive moisture or where a permanent installation is desired. These mouldings can be installed by the builder or are shipped by the manufacturer in a complete counter ready for installation. Sealing the space between sink and adjacent counter top, always a problem in the past, has been solved completely in a number of ways through constant research on the part of manufacturers.

Application of mouldings are used successfully by builders in modernization as well as new construction.
and Metal Mouldings

NEAT, sanitary edgings for floors, walls, counters and cabinet tops are provided by Metal Trims Inc., Youngstown, Ohio. These mouldings are adaptable for both modernization and new construction work.

A typical modern kitchen using a wide variety of aluminum or stainless steel mouldings is shown in the illustration above. Numbers 1550, 1552, 1553 are typical wallboard trims. They are shown in use with standard-gauge tileboard. They are also available for use with materials ranging from 1/16-inch to 3/4-inch in thickness. Number 1164 is a decorative panel strip, available in a range of widths from 3/4-inch to 1 1/4-inch. Numbers 1128 and 1069 are typical overlap edgings for easy installation of counters. The line-steam does not require precise fitting as does the straight-faced nosing number 1026. The latter does not show the screws with which it is fastened. Numbers 1041 and 1121 are backboard coves. Number 1121 is a universal type. Number 1041 allows insertion of top material in groove, is waterproof, preventing moisture from seeping into backboard or wall.

SIX new extruded aluminum mouldings are included in the line of Marsh Wall Products, Inc., Dover, Ohio. Left to right, the new patterns are: M51-A, inside corner; M67-A, single flange cove; M82-A and M81-A, counter nosing; M64-A, batten strip; M102A, tag moulding.
Gas, Electric and Oil Ranges That Help Make

IN SOME sections of the country, the cooking range already is considered standard kitchen equipment and as much a permanent fixture as the kitchen sink. This is true in the New York City area and surrounding suburbs. Experience there has shown the value of range installations as selling aids.

Most new home buyers today want or need modern kitchen ranges—gas, electric or oil. Young married couples, just starting and interested in economy-priced homes, usually have no cooking appliances and prefer to finance the range in the mortgage. Often buyers have been living in rented apartments where ranges are installed. The “package home,” which includes most of the major needs in service equipment, has more sales appeal than an unequipped house for which the buyer must assume additional and separate obligations.

Older couples, who may have acquired most of their kitchen equipment and are buying newer and better homes, also respond to the new house which has a range installed in the kitchen. Advances in design and equipment of cooking units have been so great in recent years that many

TODAY'S builders plan location and space allowance for range suited to kitchen's size. This Universal gas range is in proper relation to sink: has ample work area

SIMPLE, compact ranges suit small, economy houses. More costly de luxe units help sell more expensive homes. Pictured above, left to right, are: Perfection oil range, Hotpoint and Norge electric ranges, and Magic Chef and Tappan gas-burning ranges

FHA REGULATIONS GOVERNING COOKING APPLIANCES

Gas and electric ranges may be included in FHA insured mortgages, if both mortgagor and mortgagee agree units are real estate, except in these areas: Phoenix, Ariz.; Boise, Idaho; Jacksonville, Fla.; Des Moines, Iowa; Topeka, Kans.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Omaha, Neb.; Greensboro, N.C. They may be included only in rental units in these areas: Little Rock, Ark.; Denver, Colo.; Atlanta, Ga.; Louisville, Ky.; Cleveland, Ohio; Columbus, Ohio; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Providence, R.I.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Cheyenne, Wyo., and Honolulu.

BOTTLED gas permits all-gas kitchens where there are no gas lines. Schematic diagram by Pyrolux shows how units can be arranged for minimum of service piping
Builders increase sales appeal of homes when cooking facilities are installed in kitchens. This also permits builders to take advantage of public acceptance created by national advertising and promotion of range manufacturers.

Units are now obsolete. The owner is likely to be dissatisfied with the older range in the new kitchen because it does not harmonize with the new equipment. This group also welcomes the chance to include the cooking unit in the mortgage paper which makes financing easier.

National advertising by the manufacturers of gas, electric and oil ranges is a direct selling aid to the builder who includes a range in each new house. It provides him with additional selling arguments. It gives him the prestige of nationally recognized brand names which helps offset the fact that a house—as a complete unit—does not have a recognized brand. To an industry which necessarily does as little consumer advertising as the building industry, this brand recognition factor is important.

The builder, whatever make of range he selects, can make use of its manufacturer's arguments in selling homes in any area.

PRE-SELECTION of range helps in planning cabinet space, as this General Electric unit does. Note harmony of range hardware with rest of kitchen.

ABOVE are the L & H, Gibson Kookall, Frigidaire and Westinghouse electric models, and a Hardwick gas range. Prices range from about $140 to $325 at retail. All modern units utilize space for storage if not required for cooking, extending cabinet area.
COMPLETE refrigeration is shown in a modern kitchen where dining space adjoins. Since this is a higher-priced home, a freezer storage unit has been installed in addition to the large electric refrigerator. Both are General Electric units. While this suggests custom building, the perfection of the arrangements indicates careful consultations by the builder, architect and purchaser to coordinate specifications of all equipment components.

THE Westinghouse unit, left, and Hotpoint unit, right, combine a large freezer with general storage area.

UPRIGHT freezer-storage units look like conventional refrigerators. At left is the Norge unit; right, Gibson.

Safe and Adequate Food Storage

Modern refrigerators and home freezers give builders selling help if installed in new homes, despite fact that the units raise price.

MODERN refrigeration, already provided in a new home, offers strong selling arguments to overcome the rising resistance to today's unavoidable high dollar prices on homes. The refrigerator raises the cost still higher, it is true, but makes it possible for the buyer to carry that cost more easily.

Every homeowner who earns enough to buy a new house even in the low price brackets, will not be satisfied unless he has some type of mechanical refrigeration.

When he estimates whether he can afford the price of the house, he will be sold more easily if it can be pointed out that several hundred dollars worth of equipment, including the refrigerator, can be included in the mortgage at a low interest rate with payments spread over a long period of time. He'll reason that this will be easier on him than paying slightly less on his home payments each month and having to pay high installments, plus high interest, on a refrigerator to clean up its cost in 18 months.

Moreover, the women like a finished kitchen where the refrigerator fits the space allowed, where it is placed properly with respect to sink and range with the door opening in the proper direction and provision made for its full swing. The builder can fit correct refrigeration into his houses, whether they are small, economy houses with minimum size units or larger, de luxe homes with both refrigerator and freezer storage units. Care in placing the refrigerator in the kitchen pays dividends in customer satisfaction. Manufacturers have done careful research to find the right spot for each appliance in every kitchen.
FHA REGULATIONS ON FINANCING REFRIGERATORS

Electric, gas and mechanical refrigerators, except oil-burning refrigerators, can be financed in FHA mortgages if mortgages and mortgagor agree units are real estate, except in these areas: Phoenix, Ariz.; Miami, Fla.; Boise, Idaho; Des Moines, Iowa; Topeka, Kans.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Omaha, Neb.; Greensboro, N.C. They are financed only for rental units in these areas: Little Rock, Ark.; Denver, Colo.; Atlanta, Ga.; Louisville, Ky.; Camden and Newark, N.J.; Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Pa.; Providence, R.I.; Memphis, Tenn.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Cheyenne, Wyo., and Honolulu.

DIMENSION CONSIDERATIONS

Virtually all refrigerators and freezers for domestic use are made to pass through a 30-inch doorway. Widths on 10 cubic foot models are just under 33 inches, except for gas refrigerators which run 34 inches. Depths, including hardware, are just over 29 inches. Eight cubic-foot units generally are about 30 inches wide and from 54 to 60 inches high. Extra narrow, 6 cubic-foot units, are under 24 1/2 inches wide. Maximum height on large combination units is 67 1/2 inches. Average height usually is under 60 inches. Good installations should have at least 1/2-inch air circulation space at each side.

for Modern Living

NATIONAL advertising by manufacturers of refrigerators and freezer units helps sell homes where units are installed. Left to right are shown: Gibson electric, Servel gas refrigerator, and Norge, Kelvinator and Frigidaire electric units. Note freezer space.

MANY freezers are made “cabinet height.” Left to right are the Hotpoint and Deepfreeze home freezers; Paley Manufacturing Co.’s “Lo-Boy” electric refrigerator and Kelvinator space-saver model beside 21-inch wide electric range with 6 cubic feet of storage.
THE old-fashioned kitchen of past decades is vanishing. Gone is the hospital and laboratory “look” of yesterday’s all-white kitchen. In its place has blossomed the gay, livable kitchen of today—modern in design, colorful in appearance and efficient in plan and operation.

Color is one of the predominating factors in the decorating scheme of today’s kitchen. The decorative trend is toward a choice of colors that will reflect the personality of the owner. The selection of the color scheme becomes a matter of individual taste. The cabinets, walls, floors, and ceilings, along with movable kitchen accessories must all be considered as part of the completed color plan.

Manufacturers and builders alike have recognized this trend, and in many cases are adjusting their operations accordingly. One manufacturer of floor materials has established a Bureau of Interior Decoration, which is headed by a recognized authority in this field. Helpful service in solving floor problems and color arrangements is thus rendered to builders.

Many different types of floor surfaces are available to the builder today. The most generally used types of floor inlays are rubber, linoleum, and linoleum compositions with gingham-like patterns. These are excellent examples of the modern kitchen floor. Modern innovations in tiles are another example of the modern kitchen floor. Modern innovations in tiles are another example of the modern kitchen floor.
of flooring for kitchens range from inlaid linoleum in different forms to numerous kinds of asphalt and rubber tiles. Another step in the development and use of vinyl resins is beginning to show up in kitchens with the demand for this material far in excess of the supply. The new laminated-vinyl flooring is quite different from what the producers formally called "plastic flooring." All floor coverings come in a number of different sizes, complete with a full range of colors in both solid and variegated patterns. The design possibilities in this type flooring are limited only by the ability of the designer. Some of the outstanding characteristics of these products, in addition to the color emphasis and permanency, are their resistance to chemicals and cleaning solutions, their resiliency and eye-soothing character.

Approved wall surfaces for kitchens come in a large variety of types and shapes. They range from painted or decorative papered surfaces on plaster walls to ceramic tiles. In between these several products are a long list of other practical wall surfaces, such as panels and tiles employing the use of metal moldings at joints, interlocking tiles, chromite zinc panels, wall-flex, mura-tex, asbestos-cement boards with metal moldings, and many other types. Most of these materials are made in a wide variety of colors to match or contrast with floor, counter and cabinets.

Tiles and panels are adaptable to modernization as well as new construction. In many of the materials for finishing kitchen walls and floors find as great a demand in the modernization market as in the new home market. With the use of such products, the job of giving an old kitchen the "new look" is greatly simplified.

Interesting color combinations can be obtained in the kitchen through the use of several different wall materials. This method has a tendency to reduce the cost, depending, of course, on the type of materials used. A method that has proved extremely popular is the use of tiles or wall panels on the cabinet walls with a highly decorative paper on the wall without fixtures. This makes the kitchen a gay and delightful place in which to work and live.
In these days of air conditioning, a well-ventilated kitchen in a new house is a definite selling advantage. Today's housewife responds to the suggestion that she need not have cooking odors carried all over the house, and that kitchen ventilation saves cleaning effort and frequent redecorating.

For this reason, many builders are installing built-in ventilating fans in the kitchens of their new units. There are definite rules governing these installations, however. The mere presence of a ventilating fan in the kitchen does not mean that it will do an adequate job of changing the air and removing objectionable odors and grime.

The best location for the kitchen ventilating fan is directly over the range. This is the point at which cooking odors, steam, grease globules and so on are emitted. If carried away from as close to their point of origin as possible, the ventilation will be the most satisfactory. If the range is against an outside wall, it is relatively easy to build in a fan directly above it, discharging the air directly to the outside.

If the range cannot be against an outside wall, it should be close to one so that the fan can be mounted only a short distance from it. Often, a soffit above the range can be used as a conduit to the outside wall, the fan being installed in the soffit just over the range.

It is preferable not to install cabinets over the range because their interiors become too hot. There are some types of kitchen ventilators, however, that can be concealed in cabinets, the lower part of the cabinet acting as a hood which catches virtually all fumes. Fans mounted through the walls have adjustable sleeves to accommodate various wall thicknesses. Suggested sizes are an 8-inch fan for small kitchens, 10-inch for medium size and 12-inch for very large kitchens.
BUILDERS are changing their ideas of hot water installation capacities. The increasing use of automatic laundries, automatic dishwashers, and the more frequent bathing made convenient by multiple baths, has changed previous conceptions about the size of storage tank and heating capacities necessary for today's new homes.

A 20-gallon storage unit no longer is recommended, even for a small home, because it is inadequate if an automatic laundry is installed. The house cannot have adequate hot water supply while the washing is being done. These smaller capacity units now usually are used only where there are two heaters instead of one—a practice growing among builders of the rambling, ranch style dwelling where long pipe runs are necessary if only a single heater is used.

There is a rough formula for determining the size water heater needed in a home. Tank size, plus rate of recovery, equals peak demand.

One variable in this equation is the "peak demand." How can it be determined?

The automatic laundry requires from 30 to 40 gallons of hot water per hour. An automatic dishwasher will use about 10 gallons per load. A tub bath requires from 15 to 20 gallons. A shower takes from 10 to 15 gallons.

Non-automatic washing uses from 12 to 16 gallons of hot water per wash, and an additional 6 to 8 gallons if warm water is used for rinsing, as it usually is. Manual dishwashing takes about 3 gallons for an average family, or you can figure a gallon per person. Rinsing dishes under the hot water faucet will take another 6 gallons.

Recovery rate can be determined roughly by taking the B.T.U. input of the heater and dividing by 1,000. Thus, a heater with input of 25,000 B.T.U.'s will have a recovery rate of 25 gallons per hour. In winter, when incoming water may be colder, a higher degree rise in temperature is, of course, necessary.

In general, rough guides to the size water heater needed are: for houses with one bath and one or two bedrooms, a 30-gallon capacity; one bath and three or four bedrooms, or two baths and one or two bedrooms, 40 gallons capacity; two baths and four or five bedrooms, or three baths and three bedrooms, a 50 gallon capacity.
A Plan for Mr. Blanding's Dream House

The Blueprint House this month is one that was inspired by the RKO movie, "Mr. Blanding Builds His Dream House," which was adapted from Eric Hodgins' book by the same name. The story is a description of Hodgins' experiences in planning and building his own home. "Mr. Blanding" is the central figure in the movie, which depicts Blanding's troubles in obtaining a home for his family. He begins by buying an old house in Connecticut but soon discovers, with the advice of builders and real estate men, that it is impractical to remodel the old home, so it is torn down, and a new one planned and built on the site. This is the "Dream House." The movie realistically depicts Mr. Blanding's experiences with the architect, lawyers, builder and workmen during the course of design and construction of the new house.

For the first time in film history a house was completely erected and furnished for a movie set. As part of the promotional campaign for the movie and to tie in with public interest in home building as brought out by the presentation, about sixty home builders in all parts of the nation have already erected, or are in the process of completing replicas of Mr. Blanding's Dream House. The original Hollywood Blanding house plan contains approximately 2,000 square feet of floor area, and has many refinements which the average builder or owner either does not desire or cannot afford. As a consequence, the majority of the Blanding houses being erected by home builders are revised versions of the original Hollywood plan, although in all cases they closely resemble the exterior appearance and general floor plan of the movie version.

The traditional style of the Blanding house has a definite universal appeal. It can be reproduced in any community and be in harmony with other houses in the same price class.

The house described here was designed by Victor Civkin, A.I.A. architect, Fairfield, Conn., for the General Electric Home Bureau. It varies somewhat from the original Hollywood house in both plan, elevation and size. This GE plan is set around a center hall, with main entrance door in the center of the house. The adjoining wing contains a breakfast nook and one-car garage. There are seven rooms, two and one-half baths and garage. The rooms are smaller than those shown in the movie house, which has the same number or rooms and baths, but no garage.

The layout of the all-electric kitchen and breakfast room incorporates the best ideas of the General Electric Home Bureau planning staff. Prime consideration is given to the proper routing of kitchen activities. The dining room, while not large, is of ample size and the large opening from this room into the living room literally throws the two into one, yet suggests a separation. The living room, with central fireplace and built-in bookcases at one end, has an abundance of windows. The den on the opposite side of the entrance hall can be used for a bedroom if desired.

The second floor with three bedrooms and two baths is a model of efficiency. The master bedroom is a complete unit with dressing room and private bath. Closets throughout are ample. A basement is below the entire house except for the garage. An ample recreational area is provided in the basement.

The Hollywood version of the Blanding house shown at left, was designed by Carroll Clark, architect, Hollywood, Calif.
Wood Louvres

Metal D.S

Beveled Siding

SECOND FLOOR
Plan

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Roof

Plan

Kitchen Details

ELEVATION 'A'
ELEVATION 'B'
ELEVATION 'C'

Drawer recessed from Dining Rm

KITCHEN & LAUNDRY

Wood Gutter

Metal Flashing

Asphalt Shingles

Met. Roof

Beveled Siding

2nd Floor Line

1st Floor Line

Basement Floor

REAR ELEVATION

LEFT SIDE ELEVATION

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SOFT water adds to the value of any home.

Home owners, prospective owners and tenants are becoming more conscious of this fact, and many builders are aware that soft water supplied in the faucets of a home adds a selling argument for that home.

Any water having a hardness of three grains or more of mineral salts per gallon is considered hard enough to need softening. Any hard-water problem can be solved today with water softeners for household use, and water softening equipment can be used whether the water comes from a municipal supply or from wells. In communities where the water is generally very hard, it is usually softened through the complete water system of the town. In many places, however, it is left up to the individual home owners and builders.

Probably the most widely used water softener systems are those that employ the zeolite process. Zeolite, a white, durable chemical, is contained in a water softening tank which may be installed in the home water system. Zeolite has an affinity for calcium and magnesium, the minerals that make water hard. These minerals are absorbed by the zeolite as the water passes through the tank. When zeolite is saturated with the minerals taken from the water, it must be "regenerated," or flushed with a solution of common salt and water. It is then ready to be used again.

Individual water softeners for homes can be installed in the water line. These are regenerated at regular intervals. Water softeners are also installed on a service basis. A local company installs a portable softener in the water line at a convenient location. The company, in this case, owns the equipment and exchanges the tank at regular intervals.

In homes where hard water is used, incrustations of minerals form in pipes, in water heaters and in faucets, clogging up the passageways and often resulting in large repair bills. Hard water can be hard on the pocketbook in many other ways, too. According to the New York State Department of Health, "The life of clothes washed in hard water is shortened 20 to 40 per cent," and it is estimated that the cost of hard water averages from $75 to $125 a year, depending on the hardness of the water and the size of the family.

Says the Bureau of Mines, United States Department of Commerce, in its Bulletin No. 328, "In the near future the residents of those sections where hard water prevails will no longer be willing to endure the discomfort and expense of hard water. . . . Indeed, the day is approaching when soft water will be as necessary for the comfort of the household as ice, gas and electricity are now."
SNACK SPOTS

Modern kitchen planning of today includes built-in furniture and an area set aside for informal eating.

An eating center conveniently related to, or made a part of the kitchen, is an essential part of today's home planning arrangement. The center can take the form of a breakfast bar that may be an extended portion of the kitchen counter. It may also be a separate dining nook, adjacent to the kitchen, or the conventional alcove which is an integral part of the kitchen. Sufficient space set aside for a small table and chairs, or a rounded area with fixed benches and tables constitute an alcove. All of these ideas come under the general classification of snack spots.

No matter how large or convenient the separate dining room or combination living-dining room is made, it is not possible to ignore the necessity of some eating being done in the kitchen. This does not mean that space provided for eating in the kitchen has to be unused space the rest of the time. It is possible to make this space available for other purposes as well. Flexible planning of time and space is necessary for the full utilization of all available area in the house.

With careful planning, these informal family gathering spots may be introduced without a great deal of expense and sacrifice of space from other parts of the house. The snack spot may be one of the most attractive features. Introduction of bright colors in adjoining walls, furniture and drapes help to make it inviting. Nooks of this type should be designed with care. Enough space should be allowed to avoid crowding. Movable furniture makes it easier to clean and permits more latitude in decorations.

This bright snack-bar has a modern sweep in both line and decoration. The chairs when not in use are pushed under the counter and become an integral part of the built-in fixture. The counter provides an ideal work table after meals.
EXTENSION of the Formica-covered counter in this dining spot for two is designed as part of the cabinet-unit. A continuous light strip is provided above the back splash. Photo by General Electric Co.

AN AIR of lightness was obtained in this remodeled kitchen and breakfast nook by removal of wall partitions, by changing window and replacing heavy benches and table with iron furniture. Photos by the makers of Armstrong Linoleum.

MANY KITCHENS, especially older ones, suggest the layout of a snack spot. In the case above a window over the table was not available in the area set aside for eating, but fine ingenuity and imagination in the wall painting and the placing of the rattan screen make a cozy corner.

NO small part of the kitchen at right is the planned eating space. The dividing wall is fashioned as a counter with both cupboards and drawers. Insulux glass blocks extend from counter to ceiling as a decorative motif.
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Wells & Sinks
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HERE'S a small house that combines beauty, utility, and compactness—plus economy. It is designed for five rooms, a dinette and full basement.

Windows throughout the house are generous in size and well placed. A three-window unit in the living room provides good light and ventilation. Two windows on the dinette side also give natural light. The dinette windows plus those in the living room permit cross-ventilation.

The dinette area is shielded from the front door by the vestibule wall which also serves to define the dining area. A convenient vestibule closet is provided.

Ample cabinet space in the kitchen is wisely placed for convenience. Two windows are installed over the kitchen sink. The kitchen is kept free of traffic. The rear hall leads directly to the basement, the side door, and the living room.

In the first bedroom, adequate light and cross-ventilation are provided by the front and side windows. Wall space is planned with care to permit a variety of pleasing furniture arrangements. A large wardrobe closet is provided.

The windows are arranged in the second bedroom so there are two locations available for a double bed.

LARGE windows in this living room-dinette combination provide excellent cross-ventilation and natural lighting

| BEDROOM 1 | 9'-5" x 8'-2" |
| BEDROOM 2 | 9'-8" x 11'-5" |
| DINETTE | 6'-6" x 7'-5" |
| LIVING ROOM | 15'-10" x 11'-5" |
| BEDROOM 3 | 13'-0" x 9'-4" |

This is July Weyerhaeuser Design No. 5127. More details on houses in the Weyerhaeuser series may be obtained from a 4-Square Dealer, or from Weyerhaeuser Sales Co., St. Paul, Minn.
Modern lighting technique for kitchen, laundry and recreation room is discussed and illustrated in this month's article on electric service. Each of these rooms presents an individual problem to the designers and builders of houses.

Lighting for Function and Beauty

By O. D. Westerberg

That a home is far from cheerful without the magic touch of good lighting is quickly recognized. In this home emphasis is placed on lighting in all livable areas. Warmth in the home is suggested by combining incandescent recessed sources with long slender fluorescent tubes. Combining these components in a practical manner is functional and attractive. If it serves the functional purposes honestly and efficiently, it cannot avoid being beautiful. Nor is it too difficult to make lighting for this home come within the reach of an average pocket book. With proper planning these lighting effects are an integral part of the architectural features of the various rooms.

In new homes or in existing residences where kitchens are being modernized, efficient lighting should be given as much consideration as other time-saving appliances. The cost is an insignificant percentage of the modernization cost as a whole. However, the benefits derived from a daylight kitchen include cheerful, shadow-free surroundings, freedom from eyestrain, fewer accidents, and lighting that helps the homemaker perform every kitchen task with greater ease in less time. The higher efficiency of fluorescent makes it possible to get as much light at every work center as you do by the window. The shape of the fluorescent fixture is appropriate in today’s streamlined kitchen.

Sad experiences in using fluorescent lighting in homes have often resulted from over enthusiasm and lack of information relative to proper wattages for specific applications. Due to its higher light output at lower power consumption, it has been regarded as a "cure-all" for residential lighting problems. The original and most logical use of fluorescent in homes is in work areas such as the kitchen, bathroom or laundry. The color of this light is particularly suited to use in these areas due to the predominance of white surfaces and light colored finishes. Many of the unfortunate experiences resulted from installations using adapter type units usually supplied with exposed tubes. The adapter unit that screws into an existing socket is unsafe due to the excessive weight thrown upon the delicate sockets. Adapter units are usually made for shorter length
tubes which do not provide adequate illumination for the tasks to be performed.

The use of too little fluorescent lighting is often worse than none at all. Small amounts of fluorescent with no incandescent lighting in kitchens creates a feeling of untrue and unfamiliar color values to most foods and fabrics. This objection, however, disappears when sufficient amounts of fluorescent are used in these areas. As a general rule, no kitchen or laundry is too small for two 40-watt fluorescent tubes in shielded fixtures. When this is combined with specific lighting over the sink and counter areas, the necessary amounts of illumination for true color discrimination are usually provided.

Interiors change in appearance when night comes and when artificial light is used, whether it be incandescent or fluorescent. The accustomed natural coloring changes, and a little time is usually required to become familiar with the new color tones. However after this feeling of familiarity arrives, one enjoys the change and freshness of a well-lighted interior. The change to night lighting can easily be made pleasing by careful use of the long lines of fluorescent light so well suited for use under cabinets, in valances and in various other architectural elements found in the kitchen, laundry or recreation room. Space limitations often call for their use. The advent of bent tubes in circles or arcs offers another opportunity in new fixture designs, and should be particularly suited for residential interiors.

Excessive heat from incandescent sources is often objectionable for "built-in" installations. Here again, fluorescent is a convenient solution because of light intensities with less heat radiation.

The illumination was designed so
THE KITCHEN is one of the most important work areas to be lighted in a house. All work surfaces should have a shadow-free high value of illumination. Furthermore, the use of tubes in coves, troughs or behind concealed strips injects a newness in workshops of the home that even a coat of paint could not have attained. The central lighting fixture will give general illumination, but additional light is necessary over sink, stove, or work surfaces. In the modern kitchen, as in no other part of the home, is found a variety of electrical appliances, wiring devices and electrical outlets. Consequently, more fluorescent lighting has been used in kitchens than in any other room. Good utilization of the long, slender characteristics of fluorescent lighting is evident in this planned kitchen.

According to recent surveys, better than seven per cent of the nation's kitchens are lighted today by fluorescent tubes, and over 65 per cent of the women questioned expressed a preference for this type of lighting. Located over the sink is a recessed fluorescent reflector with glass cover and using two 30-watt fluorescent tubes. Additional fluorescent or lumiline lamps are placed beneath the cabinets, giving high levels of illumination of the working counters. Although the breakfast room is partially separated from the kitchen, a pendant-type incandescent fixture is recommended. The lighting that results is a well-diffused table illumination with softly shaded light in the rest of the area. This room could also have an alternate lighting system consisting of a recessed incandescent spot located directly over the table. Combining the incandescent of the breakfast room with fluorescent in the kitchen will create a relaxed mood.

LAUNDRIES can be light, pleasant work areas. Simple lighting units located over working areas for good visibility will appeal to most women. The lighting in this laundry will make tasks easier, increase efficiency and reduce nervous fatigue usually associated with washday. It will also bring out scorch marks so often unseen until the article is used under daylight. Ironing scorchers, burns and spots are readily detected under light from the daylight fluorescent lamp. Good lighting, therefore, becomes a gain and an economy when used in laundries. Generous amounts of light are provided by using an industrial type two-lamp fluorescent reflector (two 40-watt daylight tubes) in the ceiling. Additional fluorescent tubes are located under the cabinets for illuminating the tub and washing machine area. Well-planned laundries, such as this one, are important features in the new houses of today.
Next month the electrical engineers will describe and illustrate the correct wiring technique for the modern house. All the details of rough wiring from the line pole through all circuits of the entire house will be discussed with the idea of giving all readers an understanding of the fundamentals of good home wiring for permanent value and service as not to be the center of interest alone, but to shed enough light to create a center of interest around a given area. The fixtures selected are utilitarian and functional, but attractive in appearance. They are in proper proportion to the shape and size of the rooms. Sometimes extremes are acceptable in proper settings, as in the recreation room, for instance. Here a modern interior combines the use of long ribbons of light with multitudes of small ceiling spots and becomes acceptable due to other interior treatments. Each lighting unit is definitely functional for a given area and for a specific purpose.

Simple lighting units located over play and work areas for good visibility will also appeal to all members of the average family.

Functional lighting provides the necessary seeing levels of illumination for the various home tasks. Providing these lighting needs was the keynote in the design of the system worked out for the house used here as an example.

The areas treated are as follows: 1. reading; 2. sewing; 3. cooking; 4. eating; 5. washing dishes; 6. entertainment; 7. many others.

These were considered individually with respect to given rooms and the lighting was designed as economically as possible to satisfy these needs. Simplicity in design creates an appearance of harmony and restfulness. It is easy to combine color and various periods of furniture with a neutral lighting arrangement of this type. The absence of ornamentation and visible structural parts causes the lighting to blend into ceilings and walls. The small "thumb-nail" sketches are suggestive, and should act to stimulate imagination in solving many home lighting problems. However, when adopting them, sufficient general lighting must be provided for moving about, cleaning, and for the softening of all shadows. It serves to eliminate the contrast between dark ceilings and luminous panels.

By combining light with color any room can be one of magic. The combination can alter any room's dimensions, expand or contract its space, lend mystery, make for gaiety or coziness, or even change a mood completely. Color and light can be the homemaker's best friends if handled with real understanding. The combination of both incandescent and fluorescent will contribute to proper blending and true evaluation of colors. Hospitality and cheerfulness are the keynotes of properly lighted rooms.

The kitchen, laundry and recreation room are the activity centers of today's modern home. Efficient lighting is essential to these areas.
The Theme of "House Talk" Is Changing

by R. E. Saberson

There has been a big change in "housing talk" during the past year. . . a pronounced shift in emphasis. People in all walks of life are now talking houses whereas it wasn't so long ago that most of the conversations pertained to the emergency aspects of the situation . . . the plight of homeless veterans and their distressed families.

We hasten to point out that we are not claiming that the housing emergency is worse than ever. During the past several months we have visited several cities where there seems to have been little change in the situation. In others a marked improvement is readily detected; while in some areas housing is no longer a problem.

What interests us greatly under such circumstances is the fact that we now are hearing more "house talk" than ever. Today those families who are without adequate housing are still considering their problem but it is an entirely different story than it was a year or so ago. In addition a great many more families are discussing the subject even though they may own their own homes. In other words, more and more families are beginning to feel that they are out of date and inefficient. "It's because of a barrage of publicity," says Saberson, "that has been increasing since the close of the war."

This barrage of publicity has been increasing in intensity ever since the close of the war when much of it was built around the hopes of the many manufacturers rather than available products. Today the results of long years of research are bearing fruit and already people are beginning to talk about what they propose to include in their new homes. Never in all history have so many home improvements been developed as during the past two or three years. Undoubtedly this factor of obsolescence is to be increased enormously during the years to come.

By "housing talk" we mean dinner table conversations in which guests discuss heating plants, air-conditioning units, exteriors that do not require constant repainting, danger-proof bathrooms, mobile partitions, glare-less lighting systems, new types of floors—and the inevitable workless, dirtless, automatic kitchen that banishes drudgery for the housewife who long ago gave up all hope of obtaining efficient household help. In many, many cases it is going to take an entirely new home to meet these changed conditions and new ideas. "Let me tell you what we're going to have to when we build our new home" has become one of the main topics of conversation nearly everywhere you go. And what other subject, may we ask, is more interesting?

A year ago (let's make it two years to be on the safe side) it was different. The job then was for the homeless veterans to find living quarters even if it was no more than shelter. It was so closely akin to the panic stage that home owners and renters were thanking their lucky stars they had a place to live. "It will be good enough for us for a long time to come" was the consensus, but already many of them have begun to talk differently.

During the emergency stage of the situation it was no wonder that war-riddled veterans found themselves "purchasing" entirely unsatisfactory shelter at a price that, some of these days, will buy a modern home with all the comforts and conveniences they are now reading about.

That most of these early buyers will never be able to pay off the mortgage goes without saying. Furthermore, why should they do so, they ask, when they will be able to get the newest things in homes, a few years hence, for less than they owe on the one they already are heartily ashamed of. It isn't only the size of today's down payment that prevents veterans from buying homes at the present time. It is their unwillingness to acquire too large an equity in a piece of property that isn't up to the standard...
Buyers Want Dream Houses

"Of course I've got enough money (or the necessary credit) to make the down payment," said a veteran recently in discussing the sudden shift from "nothing down" to a far larger sum. "I've got almost enough in cash and can easily borrow the rest, but I'd be a plain sucker to tie myself up on a deal like that. My wife has her mind made up about several things she wants in a home. This particular house has none of them. She wouldn't be satisfied. Neither would I. We're going to wait it out until we can get what we want . . . and at a price we can afford to pay."

When we suggested the possibility of continued high prices, he wasn't at all concerned.

"Maybe so," he said with a shrug of his shoulders. "The real-estate man who is trying to sell me the home told me it would cost more in the future, rather than less. Trouble is, I don't believe it. But even if that is true, we've made up our minds we don't want the damn thing anyway."

Then the vet pulled an attractive folder out of his pocket and asked us to look it over.

"I'm asking what you're going to say," he interjected, as we suppressed a grin. "I've read a lot about the houses of the future and I've chased some of the stories down. Invariably the promise was bigger than the product but perhaps that is only natural at this stage of the game. But I'm betting that where there is so much smoke there must be some fire. By the way, a friend of mine sent me that folder. He says he has seen the demonstration home. He's waiting. So am I. If it's not that particular house, it will be something else. They are getting closer all the time."

Public Likes New Conveniences

The folder described the house as "a new standard of living . . . the home of cheerful convenience." There were pictures of the attractive exterior, close-ups of construction details and the factory behind the product. Interior views showed the living room with picture window, built-in bookshelves; spacious master bedroom with large closet, built-in wardrobe and vanity, eight-foot mirror; built-in shelves and cabinets in dining room with "pass through" counter space from kitchen to kitchen with exhaust fan, lighting fixtures, dishwashers, clothes washer, automatic water heater in utility room, cabinets, work counter with convenient electric outlet; colorful bathroom with combination tub and shower, medicine cabinet, copper plumbing pipes; second bedroom with ample wall space and a large closet with sliding doors.

"The simple, efficient, extremely economical radiant heating system" had been subjected to a two-year test in severe winter weather, according to the folder.

Other sales points: Volume-produced, low-cost; insulated roof and walls; easy-sliding interior doors; eight big closets (twice the normal amount); no unsightly radiators or grilles; three times stronger than conventional construction; termite-proof, ratproof, vermin-proof, rustproof, fireproof, decay-proof. Never needs repainting, redecorating or re-roofing.

"Do you see why I'm waiting?" asked the veteran as he handed back the folder. "Maybe I won't get it but even if I don't, I won't be any worse off than I am now."

A few evenings later in the locker room at the golf club the talk of the foursome turned to housing.

"Got to hurry home and take the wife out to dinner," said one player as he gulped his highball.

EVERYONE is looking at new houses

"What's this I hear about selling your house?" asked another.

"We're all fed up," was the reply.

"Too big. The children are married and gone. We've had no help now for more than three years. It wasn't so bad when the girls were home but my wife is killing herself trying to keep the place up. We're going to spend the summer at the lake and hole up some place in town or down South during the winter. In a few years we'll build ourselves a little house with all the new things in it."

They are building a huge residential hotel in a southern city we recently visited. Lowest priced accommodations are several one-room efficiency apartments at $150 a month. Most of the others run from $1,000 to $1,500 a month. "Cheaper than keeping up a big home" was the answer to our question concerning tenants. "Lots of big homes here are struggling along with little or no help."

A few evenings later in another city the hostess spent half the time showing guests what she was going to have "in the little house we are going to build farther out in the country some of these days." A pile of magazines a foot high were all marked for ready reference.

That's what we mean by the big shift in housing talk. The wild promises of hopeful promoters are giving way to actual achievements which affect the livability and efficiency of homes from top to bottom.

Radical Changes in Homes

Perhaps it is not yet fully appreciated how important these changes are, not only to little families with big homes, but to big families with little homes. They appeal to everyone regardless of whether they are home owners (in every classification), renters or merely hopeful prospects.

It is needless to point out that changes of such proportions do not take place overnight. Fortunately they are evolutionary, rather than revolutionary, in nature. But they are taking place just the same and the yen to own the latest thing in homes is just as strong as it is in automobiles, clothes, radios or anything else.

American ingenuity and industrial research being what it is . . . and the need for economical, efficient, convenient housing being as great as it is, it is no wonder that magazines and newspapers are filling up with interesting information concerning the new and wondrous developments that are taking place in the housing world. Thanks to the urge which stems from our system of free competitive enterprise, the industrial giants of our great nation have not fallen down on the job. They are not aiming their research guns at minimum housing but are striving for maximums in efficiency, comfort, convenience and economy. Already their efforts are bearing fruit. What they have developed up to the present time is causing more and more families to think and talk homes and that of course includes home owners, renters and the countless prospects who still are doubling up or living in temporary quarters. Such talk must be regarded as a weather vane which points to the world's greatest market. Not only are the majority of today's homes rapidly growing out of date but, so far as their present owners are concerned, they are built in the wrong locations.

American Builder, July 1948.
Age-old problem of utilization of wood waste in manufacture of finished wood products solved by Curtis Companies, Inc. in development of Prespine panels from pine waste. New board now being used for door panels and in kitchen cabinet units.

THREE years of extensive research has culminated in the successful development of a process for utilizing wood waste in the manufacture of a new wood panel. The new panel is basically wood, looks like wood, can be handled and used like wood. In some respects it has qualities which are superior to wood and other materials. The panel material, developed by Curtis Companies, Inc., Clinton, Iowa, is now being incorporated in that firm’s quality line of woodwork, principally in door panels and kitchen cabinet units.

Because the basic raw material is pine waste, the new product is known as Prespine. Briefly, the manufacturing process consists in grinding sawdust, shavings and other waste material from current factory operations to the uniform consistency of fine sawdust. Using a synthetic resin and other ingredients as a binder, the mixture is put through a pressing operation, to produce a quarter-inch board with a specific gravity of about 1.0.

The new product is not foreign to the woodworking or building industry because it is basically wood—about 93 per cent. Chemically the wood particles have not been changed. The board is very close to the natural color of pine and will not vary in color as much as the sapwood and heart wood of pine.

Its bending strength compares favorably with those of solid wood and other products of the same width and thickness. In impact tests it shows greater resistance than solid wood of the same thickness. The surface is ten times more resistant to denting than the natural wood and other board panels. The new material has proved especially resistant to the usual damage incurred by ordinary warehousing, shipping and handling.

In shrinking and swelling tests with moisture, Prespine shows very little dimensional change. In warping tests it has failed to show any appreciable weaknesses not already present in ordinary plywood or lumber. Because there is no directional alignment of fiber, but rather a mass of small particles, some of the disadvantages of grain in natural wood, where they are disadvantages, are eliminated. There is no grain raising and very little variation in texture and appearance in Prespine.

This new product has been tested in every conceivable manner. It has been boiled in water for seven hours, then frozen for 24 hours, and then dried. The surface was roughened slightly by the swelling of the small
Particles on the face of the board, but it was easily sanded to its original surface texture and appearance. Exposure to weather for seven months, without paint or any type of protection, produced some swollen particles on the surface which were sanded down to restore the original finish.

Because Prespine is wood it can be machined economically and easily by conventional woodworking equipment. In many instances it will machine easier than natural woods and will produce a sharper, more durable edge.

The new material can be treated by painters just as any other wood product. It will accept any color stain but does not have the variation in color of natural wood with grain.

It can be grained by any good grainer. When painted Prespine presents an excellent bond with no danger of surface irregularities caused by grain raising or glue joints. It will not cause cracks or checks through paint and will not cause any paint discoloration. There is no grain raising and the edges of Prespine provide an excellent surface for finishing.

All the potential uses for the new board have not as yet been determined. The output of the product by Curtis Companies, Inc. at the present time is being entirely utilized in production of door panels and kitchen units, and is available only in the firm's finished products. It is not being offered to the industry now as a building board. Plans are under way for expansion of production facilities, and until these have been completed and are in use, no effort will be made to merchandise the new panels except as a part of the Curtis woodwork line.

The product was introduced to the Curtis sales organization at a recent meeting in Clinton.
Proper Installation of Metal Mouldings and Trim in Modern Kitchens

LASTING beauty and durability of any kitchen depends much on the care taken in the selection and installation of trim and moulding materials. A large variety of types and styles are supplied by manufacturers today, and the advantages of metal trim and moulding are many.

Good metal trim and moulding will not warp, shrink or expand; is not affected by sunlight, moisture, extreme temperatures, soaps, waxes and cleaners; will not chip, crack, fade or peel. The builder will do well to demand the assurance of these characteristics in the materials he selects.

In the installation of metal base cove mouldings, it is important that they are securely fastened to the wall and floor so that no open space is left through which water and dust may collect. Excessive dampness behind mouldings may cause the woodwork to which the mouldings are attached to rot; thus allow the mouldings to come loose.

Fitting of base mouldings is of prime importance, but unless they are properly secured no amount of proper fitting will insure their lasting attractiveness.

Corner and cove trims around the base of the sink backsplash add beauty and insure durability. Here watertight fittings are mandatory. In ordering cove and corner trims for sinks, the builder should be careful to specify the gauge or type of sink covering to be used. This will insure proper insert sizes in the trims, and help insure a water tight fit.

Drawings and data courtesy of B & T Metals Co.

Counter Top and Sink Treatment

In the usual sink installation, carpenters are responsible for squaring the counter top. Installer adds thin coat of cement. Linoleum is applied to surface: thoroughly rolled to eliminate air bubbles. Above, alternate sections for sink installations

For Other How-to-Do-It Pointers

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AMERICAN BUILDER’S BETTER DETAIL PLATE

American Builder, July 1948.

No D-45. Metal Windows in Frame Construction.

Houses designed in harmony with today’s style trends feature a more generous use of glass. Thermal insulated glass (two sheets of glass with a sealed airspace between) is being used extensively for large view windows, a stationary sash requiring no screen or storm sash.

Double hung windows or casement sash used at sides for ventilation.

Follow manufacturer’s details and instructions for proper installation.

Note: Set Thermal insulated glass on two pine setting blocks. H is 1 ½” from side; width of glass. Size at blocks 1 ½” x 3” x glass thickness.

Section at left and for a picture window of thermal insulated glass with steel sash at sides for ventilation. Details for use in frame wall. Sections below show construction details for metal Double Hung windows and metal interior trim used in frame construction.

Alternate Metal Casing.

Note: Metal trim is especially appropriate when used in connection with metal sash or window. Peck patterns of Casings. Base, sills and other items are available.
NEW PRODUCTS
Offered by Manufacturers

ORNAMENTAL IRON  AB7806
Ornamental iron is the latest product to be factory cut for assembly on the job. This new method of manufacture devised by the Dallas Iron & Wire Works, Dallas, Texas, makes possible wider and more varied uses of ornamental iron railing. Pickets and scrolls so produced can be arranged and re-arranged in over 1,000 different patterns. They can be used for fences and gates, terraces, porch and stair rails, or even as burglary guards and balcony rails. The upper and lower rails are punched on 2-inch centers allowing varied spacing of pickets and insertion of scrolls. The scrolls are 3½ inches wide to fit normal picket spacing on 4-inch centers. Since all parts are interchangeable, this can be varied. Trade-named Pre-Kut ornamental iron, the product is available through lumber dealers and building supply companies.

2-WAY CABINET LOCK  AB7804
An ingenious new cabinet lock that can be adapted to any one of three different uses has been developed by The Yale & Towne Manufacturing Co., Stamford, Conn. Equipped with a patented rotating cylinder, the lock can be used either as a drawer lock with the bolt moving vertically, or as a cabinet and cupboard lock for either right hand or left hand doors with the bolt moving horizontally. A simple tool such as a small screwdriver is all that is required to remove a small catch and rotate the cylinder. The new lock is a pin-tumbler type, with four pins, and is made of solid brass. It is being produced with both deadbolts and springbolts. Marketed as the Yale 2-way cabinet lock, this product promises to be an important item with dealers, carpenters, lock-smiths and cabinet makers.

3-OUTLET RECEPTACLE  AB7831
To solve the problem of the extra outlet which is always available for appliances, lamps, or radios, the McDonald Manufacturing Co., 544 East 31st St., Los Angeles, Calif., offers the "Sierra Triplex" receptacle. This is a 3-outlet receptacle that is easily installed in standard boxes. It is side-wired and has double contacts of heavy duty bronze. It will accommodate three flat plugs or two round and one flat at one time. The receptacle is furnished with a matching wall plate. Both are of modern design and can be mounted either vertically or horizontally. They are produced in both brown and ivory.

HOT WATER HEATER  AB7832
A compact hot water heater with the capacity of larger tanks is on the market. Scientifically engineered it employs the principle of water heating that is so widely used in steam generating power plants. The result is high-speed flash heating in minimum time and space. Made by the Kresno-Stamm Manufacturing Co., 345 Commercial Ave., Palisades Park, N. J., the heater is called the "Percoc-Flash" hot water heater. Fast water heating is achieved by circulating a small stream of water over a large heated area at high speed instead of heating large quantities of water to a lower temperature. It will pass through a 26-inch door way, the unit is available with input of 60,000, 90,000 and 120,000 B.T.U. per hour. A choice of blower sizes provides a wide range of applications, including warm air panel heat.
American Builder, July 1948.

The conditioner is designed to burn gas as well as oil. To burn gas, the oil-burning assembly is removed and the gas-burning equipment installed. An exclusive feature is the Roll-a-Drawer which carries the entire blow-out assembly out of the unit making it easily accessible for servicing. Identified as Type 209, this air conditioner is shipped completely assembled ready for installation. The L. J. Mueller Furnace Co., 2605 West Oklahoma Ave., Milwaukee 7, Wis., is the manufacturer.

SIDING AND SHINGLE CUTTER AB7833
An asbestos siding and shingle cutter known as the Ace-Kutter is made by the Tri-States Building Materials Co., 2037 East Lancaster, Fort Worth, Texas. Weighing less than 4 pounds, it is easy to handle and to operate. It cuts, notches and punches all sizes of shingles cutting 3/16-inch ribbon. A handy tool for carpenters, plumbers, and electricians to carry in their tool boxes.

CABINET SPRING HINGE AB7923
Production of the No. 343 Wrought Steel Cabinet Spring Hinge in 2 inch as well as a 1-3/4 inch size is announced by The Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn. Positive in action the hinge is designed for cabinet doors that must remain shut when not in use.

WHAT-NOT SHELVES AB7819
American Central Manufacturing Corp., Connersville, Ind., produce a line of what-not shelves. Pictured are two different styles of shelves. One set offers convenient storage for china and pottery. They are of steel covered with Linseed and are ideal for use with an island or peninsula type of installation of base cabinets, the type of installation frequently used to separate breakfast nook from kitchen. The other set are glass shelves in stainless steel frame. These shelves add a decorative finish to cabinet ends, at windows and over sink. Designed to fit at end of any 30-inch high wall cabinet, they are convenient for flowers or pottery.

BRICK SIDING AB7826
An insulated brick siding, named Brie-sulate, has been added to the line of building materials manufactured by The Philip Carey Manufacturing Co., Dept. 14, Cincinnati, Ohio. Insulation plus structural strength are offered in this product. The material has a thick insulation board base coated with a heavy mastic. The Carey asphalt-saturated top and bottom with deep penetration assures 50 per cent more weathering. The outer surface has thick granule coverage. Ship lap edges all around the siding produce a tight weather seal. The material comes in red, red blend, tapestry, gray blend or light buff color.

GAS RANGE AB7816
The new Dutch oven gas range manufactured by the Maytag Co., Newton, Iowa, offers dual oven performance. Through super-insulation the manufacturer has recaptured the cooking principle practiced in colonial America: the food cooks on with the gas off. In addition, the heavily insulated oven provides uniform temperatures for conventional cooking. In the latter case, temperatures are automatically controlled with a thermostat. The range is designed to burn any type of gas: Propane, Butane, manufactured, natural or mixed.

ALUMINUM AWNINGS AB7805
An awning that provides ventilation and allows light inside when the awning is down is offered by Rondel, Inc., Bastrop, Texas. Fabricated from aluminum, the awning consists of a series of horizontal louvers connected with a side bar and individually hinged to nest themselves into a compact and attractive fold. The louvers are constructed to deflect the sun and rain but allow the light and breeze to pass between them. A standard awning pulley and cord assembly are used to raise or lower the awning. This may be done from inside the home by the use of screen pulleys or inside crank winders. Any size or kind of window can be fitted with this type of awning, including a casement window. However, the design is slightly changed but the folding feature is retained.

FLOATING DOORS AB7803
Because they literally "float" in and out of a pocket without the mechanics of tracks or hangers normally found in sliding doors, the Dorofo door developed by the Dowlong Manufacturing Co., Alameda, Calif., offers a new concept of door function and design. The door, cantilevered from within the wall, is suspended by a steel scissor mechanism. The mechanism easily installed in any 4-inch wall consists of only two brackets and two runners, one set secured to the door and the other to the back cripple. A shock spring acts as a cushion as well as provides recoil for starting the door out of pocket, while another spring keeps the door in such perfect balance that finger-tip operation is achieved. Besides adding comfort and convenience to a home, this door is a space saver.

ROTO CIRCULATOR AB7817
An almost completely noiseless, non-corrosive, non-magnetic air circulator is on the market. Applicable to window, attic, and double wall installation, it can also be incorporated into space coolers, space heaters, refrigeration coils, hot air ducts and air conditioning ducts. The propeller blade is molded of bakelite. The
acoustical characteristics of bakelite plus the design of the blade result in the quiet operation of the unit. Manufactured by Roto-Beam, 1755 North Keeler Ave., Chicago 39, Ill., the unit comes with standard 110 volts, AC motor; it is also available for DC current and other voltages.

ROOM DEHUMIDIFIER AB7811
A room dehumidifier that utilizes a refrigeration principle for the condensation of air moisture has been developed. The unit is equipped with a fan that draws the moist air over a series of coils, removing the moisture and condensing it into drops of water that are deposited in a container or drain. This drying action reduces mold formation on stored clothing, reduces rust and corrosion of metal objects, reduces warping of furniture and woodwork, and reduces the sweating and clammy feel of basement walls. Designed for basements, libraries, game rooms and light commercial applications, the dehumidifier may be placed in any room with an electrical outlet. Frigidaire Division, GMC., 300 Taylor St., Dayton 1, Ohio, is the manufacturer.

WALL PANELS AB7809
Wall panels of tempered Presswood that feature a wood-grained surface are on the market. Their structural strength, insulation qualities and handsome finish make them particularly applicable to offices, stores, clubs, restaurants or other commercial structures. The wood-graining is achieved in a lithographing operation after which a coating of clear lacquer is applied to protect the finish. The surface will not peel, chip or crack, and is easily kept clean with mild soap and water. Made with beveled edges and scored borders, the panels can be hinged together and nailed in the score lines. These panels are trade-named Ser-Wall. They are made by The Service Products Division, Woodall Industries, Inc., 2035 Calumet Ave., Chicago 16, Ill.

SMALL HOMES HEATER AB7829
A West Coast manufacturer is marketing nationally an automatic oil-fired floor furnace designed especially for low cost housing. Because electrical wiring for thermostatic operation is completed at the factory, the heater is known as a "packaged unit". To install, it need only be hooked up to the house current and thermostat. The furnace requires only 26 1/4 by 26 1/4 inches of floor space for installation, and is adaptable to homes with or without basements. The manufacturer is the Northwest Metal Products, Inc., Seattle, Wash.

ALUMINUM LADDER AB7813
Unusual strength plus its exceptional light weight are the outstanding characteristics of this ladder. In addition, it incorporates such important safety features in its design as steps of extruded aluminum with safety ridges to prevent slipping and feet equipped with special rubber guards also to prevent slipping as well as to protect floors. The work shelf and top shelf are covered with heavy rubber matting. The girder-shape legs of the steps increase the strength of the ladder. Made by Bardwell & McAllister, Inc., 2950 Ontario St., Burbank, Calif., the ladder is distributed through hardware and building supply dealers.

PIPE PROTECTOR AB7812
Foamglas, a cellular glass material, highly resistant to humidity, fumes, vapors, acid atmospheres and many other elements, is now being used in pipe insulation. This new product can be used for both hot and cold lines, indoors and outdoors. An outstanding quality of Foamglas pipe-insulation is its resistance to fire. It is non-combustible and acts as a fire retardant. In addition, it is waterproof and vaporproof. Strong, rigid, light in weight, Foamglas pipe-insulation is easy to cut and fit with ordinary tools. Developed by the Pittsburgh Corning Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa., it is being manufactured for all sizes of pipe. The insulation comes in two equal half-sections, 18 inches long.

AIR CONDITIONER AB7834
A redesigned packaged air conditioning unit that cools, dehumidifies, filters, circulates, and ventilates has been announced by the United States Air Conditioning Corp., Minneapolis, Minn. This compact, refrigerated conditioner is available in three and five ton capacities, requires little floor space, is ready for quick installation directly in the store or office area to

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Ro-Way engineers are constantly alert to the latest in architectural and building trends. When the "up-front" garage came in, Ro-Way was ready with the overhead type door that had the good looks and the smooth quiet operation you demanded.

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GENERAL ELECTRIC
REALIZING that while 18 colleges and universities from coast to coast have already conducted 30-day training courses, and over 2,000 students have been trained in these courses, there is still a definite need for training of this type in the industry. The National Retail Lumber Dealers Association is forging ahead with plans for making the courses even more successful this year.

For the past six months extensive study of the course in conjunction with the requirements of the students attending has been made by Ed Libbey, acting director of education for the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association, for the purpose of revising the outline of the course, the textbook list, and the textbook package, so that the maximum benefit may be derived by the students.

Subjects have been added, expanded, or dropped as the necessity dictated, and a new and more efficient method of distributing the required text books has been developed to assure they reach the students.

In addition to changes in the curriculum itself, a comprehensive promotional program for the balance of the summer months has been outlined and is now in the stage of preparation. The first promotional piece in this program, a four-page broadside pointing out the advantages to be derived from the course by both employer and employee, is to be released this month, with follow-up mailing pieces and letters to appear at intervals during July and August. The promotional program will also contain information regarding the 1948-49 courses so that prospective students may become fully acquainted with the opportunities of (Continued to page 130)

THESE are students who completed the recent 30-day retail lumber dealer training course at University of Wisconsin. This course is sponsored by Wisconsin Retail Lumbermen's Association of Milwaukee. D. S. Montgomery is secretary.

THESE are the graduates of the sixth Retail Lumber Training Institute, of the New York State College of Forestry, Syracuse, N.Y. With the graduates in the first row, sixth from the left, is Paul S. Collier, secretary-manager of the Northeastern Retail Lumbermen's Association, Rochester, N.Y., which sponsored the course.

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The extra values that Eljer fixtures offer come from nearly half a century of continuous research and manufacturing experience. When you recommend Eljer, you specify plumbing fixtures and quality brass trim that is second to none.

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End shelves provide additional storage space. Compartment holds large hard-to-store trays.

FRIENDLY AND LIVABLE CABINETS OF WOOD

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ered in time to make their plans for attendance during the winter term.

It has been said of the National's educational program that it has its feet on the ground even while experiencing growing pains, and much of the credit for this fact belongs to Ed Libbey, who has successfully guided the course through the past year in addition to his other activities as assistant secretary of the National.

The President's Column
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There is a rush of meetings, forums, and conferences all seeking by some legerdemain to solve the problem of housing America. One of the more spectacular and one likely to get a good deal of publicity is the conference called by Mr. Stitchman, the New York State housing czar. He is gathering together top flight men of national reputation to discuss methods of housing construction cost reduction. Francis Smith, well-known retailer of Waterbury, Conn., is scheduled to handle the subject of distribution. The Stitchman conference carries added significance because of the political implications of his being on Governor Dewey's official family.

In closing, may I remind you that while we are interested in adding housing today, primarily we want a stable building industry furnishing steady employment to millions of Americans year after year.

National Home Week
To Promote I. E. Homes

NATIONAL HOME WEEK has been scheduled for the week of September 5. In many localities where an Industry Engineered Home has already been constructed, or is in the process of construction, an excellent opportunity is opening to tie in with the National Home Week publicity.

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opportunities are great and your profits real ... with Stylon

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HEATILATOR, Inc., 817 E. Brighton Ave., Syracuse 5, N. Y.

*Heatilator is the registered trade name of HEATILATOR, INC.

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The center of attraction during this week in any one locality could well be an Industry Engineered Home publicized as an exhibit during Home Week. It would not be necessary for the home to be completely finished, since the exhibition of an unfinished home would serve to acquaint the public with the type of materials and construction being utilized in the Industry Engineered Home, especially if each material were labeled as to its name and proper usage in the manner of the Edward Hines Lumber Company model Industry Engineered Home at the Chicago Home Show.

Such an exhibit of an unfinished house might go further toward acquainting the general public with the many standard materials in use in home building and the benefits derived from their proper application than would be possible from a completely finished and furnished house. Or a finished Industry Engineered Home and a partially finished one might both be listed as exhibits, to give prospective home owners a full picture of the Industry Engineered Home and the construction principles involved.

NRLDA DIRECTORS PLAN FUTURE ACTIVITIES AT ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

MEMBERS of the board of directors of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association assembled in Washington, D. C., May 12 and 13 to review developments since the annual meeting last October and to plan future Association activities. Consensus of reports made by representatives from all points of the nation was that dealers are so busy they have apparently been lulled into assuming a period of normalcy has arrived. As a result there was some tendency on the part of the membership of affiliated state and regional groups to relax efforts in the campaign against unfavorable publicity and legislation.

The material supply situation and dealer inventories are improving slowly. Prices are fairly stable, and there is general agreement that the construction outlook for the balance of this year is good.

A number of outstanding examples of good public relations based on dealer promotion of the Industry Engineered Home were reported to the directors. Typical of what may be done in a city of about 15,000 population is the approach of the English Lumber Co., in South Boston, Va. This firm is building I. E. homes (Continued to page 134)
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**Dealers Asked to Report Facilities for War Help**

One of the several war-time services rendered to the armed forces by dealers in the field was the production of boxes and crates for packaging of military equipment. Most of the dealers have discontinued this type of service at the present time.

A few dealers are reportedly still producing boxing and crating for heavy equipment, most of which are being purchased locally by the manufacturers of the crated products.

However, dealers who have facilities that could be utilized for making products for military purposes at some future date, have been requested by the National Military Establishment, set up for the purpose, to write the responsible officers outlining their facilities and capacity as well as additional information on the kind of material they furnished for military use.
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Life Insurance Firms Shelving Housing Plans Because of Current High Costs of Building

BECAUSE of current high building costs, life insurance companies are shelving—at least temporarily—plans for many large-scale rental housing projects, Business Week stated in a recent issue.

“That’s bad news,” the article states. “The life insurance trade has been a big factor in the battle to relieve the serious shortage of housing. Its housing projects have been the largest direct contribution that frantic home-seekers have received from any single private source.

“At the beginning of 1948, for example, there were some 100,000 persons living in rental-housing projects built and operated by life insurance companies. Similar developments for another 100,000 people were then being built. More than $400,000,000 of life company assets had already been invested, or were earmarked for investment in such projects. Two-thirds of this investment represented postwar building.

“For a time, at least,” the article continued, “such activity is due to decline sharply.” It cites a recent report of the Institute of Life Insurance as authority.

Recently, Pennsylvania passed a law permitting its native life insurers, like those in New York, to invest up to 10 per cent of their assets in housing. So far, not one company has taken real advantage of the law. Philadelphia’s Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company does intend to enter the field eventually. But John A. Stevenson, its president, said that his company won’t build any housing projects until prices slide off “20 to 33 per cent.”

“No one today is more aware of the social need for new housing than the life companies. They know, too, that as the country’s largest accumulators of savings they have an obligation to the national economy, as well as to their vast army of policyholders. And the sharp drop in the rate of return on investments in recent years has warned the industry that it badly needs to broaden the sources of its income.

“Housing projects, however, are only one phase of its activity in the field of real estate. Since V-J Day, for instance, it has loaned more money on home building mortgages than all federal, state and municipal bureaus combined. Through G.I. mortgages alone, homes for at least 500,000 persons have been financed by the insurance companies. As a result, life insurers’ mortgage holdings recently totaled more than $8.1 billion—a new high. And the companies still have substantial funds available for such investments.

“Housing projects must offer reasonable assurance of at least 3½ to 4½ per cent yearly—over and above 2 per cent annual amortization of principal. A year or two ago, this assurance was present. But it has been evaporating rapidly. Because of today’s high costs, much higher rentals than those usually charged must now be assessed to assure the required rate of return.

“As a case study, look at one of Equitable Life’s housing projects:

“This $10-million development is composed of 11 buildings housing 1,200 families. Planned just before the war, it finally had to be built approximately one-third at a time. One section was completed in 1942, another in 1946, the last in 1947.

“When the first set of buildings was put up, Equitable was able to assure the proper rate of return with a monthly rental of around $15 a room. But rents for the second group had to be upped to around $18, and rentals for the last section were raised to $24 because of the current high costs of construction.
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**Catalogs and How-to-Do-It Information**

441—Incinerators—are the subject of a technical reference file (AIA No. 35-J-41) offered to architects and engineers by the Incinerator Products Co., 669 Post Ave., S., Detroit 17, Mich. The brochure is a practical working outline on how to correctly design and install incinerator equipment.

442—Pella RolScreens—the permanent window screens that roll up and down like a window shade, are described in a new booklet prepared by The RolScreen Co., Pella, Iowa. Patented construction and operation features as well as installation methods are covered.

443—Oil and Gas Burner Catalog—release by Bard Manufacturing Co., Bryan, Ohio, illustrates, describes and gives the list price of the complete Bard line. The line includes oil-fired and gas-fired forced air heating units; air conditioning units; gas burners for home heating plants; electric, automatic water heaters and water softeners.

444—Facts About Tools—is a pocket-size booklet issued by the Stanley Tools Division of The Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn. In concise, easy-to-read language, it gives a comprehensive picture of the range of tools made by Stanley, emphasizing the construction features that result in long life and durable service. Besides being highly informative, it is a handy reference piece.

445—Complete Door Service—for every type of industrial, commercial and public building is presented in a catalog released by the Peele-Richmond Fireproof Door Co., Richmond, Ind. Contents comprise pictures of various kinds of doors for commercial structures and illustrated data on their construction and mechanics.

446—New Conduit Guide—A 64-page catalog and handbook for Spang Central Rigid Steel Conduit is available from Spang-Chalfant, Division of the National Supply Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. A 37-page section offers indispensable reference material and tables for electrical contractors and users of conduit. Tables of electrical data, definitions of terms, electrical symbols, examples of computing conductor sizes and related information are covered in this section.

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4

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5

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American Builder, July 1948,

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be cooled. If desired, a remote installation of the unit may be made, distributing the conditioned air through a duct system. There are only three simple connections on this packaged store conditioner—to an electrical outlet, to the water system, and to a drain. By putting only the fan into operation, the unit functions as a ventilator. For winter use, the unit may be equipped with heating coils to operate as a warm air heating system. Regulating thermostat and automatic controls operate the unit automatically, once the system is started. Standard models are finished in an attractive neutral shade which harmonizes with most interiors, or they may be repainted to match or contrast a decorative scheme.

ALUMINUM CANOPY
AB7928
Orchard Brothers, Inc., Rutherford, N.J., announce an all-aluminum doorway canopy has been added to their line. Designed in simple lines to blend with all styles of architecture, the canopy may be obtained in natural aluminum finish or in shades of green, blue or maroon. The colors are special baked-on enamel that will not chip. They are weatherproof, and can be cleaned by washing. Named Weatherway, the canopy will not leak or sag because of the manner in which the roof slats are linked together, a patented design feature. A weatherproof seal is provided between canopy roof and siding at the top of the roof.

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Canopy. Two models of canopies are being made; the model shown and another model with a peaked roof.

TAPE APPLICATOR
AB935

To speed the splicing of concrete-curing blankets, a machine has been developed which pays out Scotch Wdordby Masking Tape as fast as a man can walk. The tape joins sheets of asphalt-impregnated paper into a single protective covering for fresh concrete. The tape sticks on contact, and the machine presses it tightly in place, securely bonding the paper blankets together. When the concrete has cured, the tape can be stripped off and re-used. Use of the applicator and tape eliminates the need for sprinkling, since the protective paper slows the evaporation of water in the concrete. Both the applicator and tape are products of the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., 900 Fanquiter Ave., St. Paul 6, Minn.

TUBULAR LATCH
AB821

The Russwin Tubular Latch is the new product of the Russell & Erwin Division, American Hardware Corp., New Britain, Conn. The latch, of rack and pinion construction, has a single all steel case, double compression springs, and a 3/4-inch throw latch bolt. The unit is reversible.

ALUMINUM PAINT
AB831

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Precision FOLDING STAIRWAY

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ELECTRIC DOOR OPERATORS. Available for swinging, sliding, and overhead type doors, and for sliding gates. They offer the convenience and protection of switch control or the amazing Radio Control.

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The H. B. Sherman Manufacturing Co., Battle Creek, Mich, manufacture a line of concealed tub and shower fittings. Outstanding feature of the line is the exclusive ball bearing stem that helps prevent washer wear. When valve is closed, the swiveling action of the stem prevents friction between washer and valve seat, thereby greatly reducing washer wear. All fittings use the new Sherman valve which permits all working parts to be removed from the front in a unit. This eliminates the need to cut into or tear out walls, as well as save time. Sherman fittings are made of cast red brass. All parts are precision fit to assure smooth operation.

ASPHALT ROOFING SHINGLE AB7836
A new asphalt roofing shingle called Super Strip is being manufactured by the Philip Carey Manufacturing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. The entire surface of the shingle is covered with a double coating of asphalt and mineral granules to give it greater weight, thickness and rigidity than most shingles. These features provide heavy shadow lines. The new shingle is being produced at the company's Lockland, Ohio, and Perth Amboy, N.J., plants. It will be offered in ten shades.

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equipped with slow speed centrifugal blower, heavy duty motor, variable speed drive and filters. The blower may be installed in either side of the cabinet, which adds to the flexibility of the unit. Sizes range from a unit small enough for a five-room house to one large enough for a ten-room.

WALL MATERIAL

New entry into the wall covering field is the Baltimore Porcelain Steel Corp., Baltimore, Md. Their product is a porcelain-enamed steel, flexible wall covering trade-named Mirawall. It is light weight and easy to install. All that is needed is a pair of shears, a can of low cost cement, and a spatula to apply. The material is heat and acid resistant, and proof against rust, moisture, discoloration, rodent and insects. Currently available in black, white, grey, ivory, light green and light blue, such shades as yellow, red and dark blue are in the process of development. According to the manufacturer, jobs to date include kitchens, laundries, recreation rooms, bathrooms and garages.

CONCRETE BLOCK MACHINE

The Stearns "15", produced by the Stearns Manufacturing Co., Adrian, Mich., is a fully automatic block machine that operates by the push of a button. It receives its concrete mix from above and delivers its pallet loads of blocks at the front of the machine. On a conveyor belt this point, the machine receives and takes away the empty pallets. A new feature is that rate of production and density of units are determined by the length of time the feeder drawers

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Skipper SHOWER

WITH Neptune door Two popular low cost items combined to fill the demand for a quality glass door shower priced within a modest budget. A good glass door shower typifies a quality installation to most users and is a much-wanted feature by home owners. By installing this Skipper-Neptune Door combination, smart builders can add value and desirability to bathrooms far in excess of the small added cost over a shower with curtain.

Specifications

FIAT SKIPPER SHOWER
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WALLS—KONDIZED GALVANIZED STEEL. Finished inside and out with baked on-synthetic enamel.
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FRAME—One-piece heavy aluminum alloy.
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CATCH—Bullet type.
HANDLE—Offset design on both sides.
FINISH—Satin.
SIZE—24" x 64" for opening 24" wide.

In Canada—Fiat showers are made in Canada by The Porcelain and Metal Products, Ltd., Orillia, Ontario

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over the vibrating mold. Another exclusive feature is a feed drawer agitator that thoroughly and quickly breaks up the semi-packed mass of material which accumulates in the drawer. The machine produces from 13 to 15 units per minute. Forty standard brick per operation are made on one pallet.

SLIDING DOOR LOCK
AB7825
A unit-type lock, adjustable to various door thicknesses and easily installed without mortising has been released by Adams-Rite Manufacturing Co., 540 West Chevy Chase Drive, Glendale, Calif. Designed to include all the features that are demanded for sliding door operation, the lock operates with a natural sliding action of the bar in a cup. Three types of escutcheons, tooled for ready interchangeability, make this lock adaptable to almost any requirement. For maximum security, a pin tumbler 3½-inch diameter cylinder operation is the escutcheon is optional. All exposed parts are solid brass and a variety of four standard finishes are offered.

ACOUSTICAL MATERIAL AB7802
A lightweight mineral wool acoustical tile has been developed. Besides its excellent sound absorption qualities, the new material blocks the passage of heat. An outstanding feature is its paper back which insures a highly satisfactory base for adhesive application and reduces air infiltration through the tile to a minimum. Produced by the Building Materials Division of the Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa., the material is called
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Travertine. The tiles come in 12x12-inch and 6x12-inch sizes with a white factory-applied finish. They are 3/4-inch thick with a bevel on all edges. Travertine can be installed on any rigid level surface with the tiles held in place by cement.

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DOOR CHIME

A two-tone door chime produced at a cost low enough to meet the low and medium cost housing groups is announced. The chime housing has a baked on ivory finish and a polished brass medallion in the center. Two 1-inch brushed and lacquered brass tubes sound two pleasant notes in the front door, one for the rear. The double coil mechanism and chime transformer are designed for years of trouble free service. The chime is shipped complete with everything needed for installation but the wire. Known as Model No. 56, it is made by The Liberty Bell Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Minerva, Ohio.

BURGLAR-PROOF WINDOW

A double hung window built with an automatic self-stored screen offers (Continued to page 158)
Tile or block-work offers very little protection against the penetration of water, unless both inside and outside head joints are completely filled with mortar.

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something absolutely new in house
construction. The unit is built so that
any time the window is opened, it is
automatically screened and barred;
screened against insects and flies, and
barred against burglars. Illustrations

show how screen is stored in a com-
part ment below the window proper.
The designer plans to glaze these
windows with Thermopane. Owner of
the patent rights for the window is
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PLASTIC PLASTER
A combination paint, pigment and
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a sand texture plaster finish is avail-
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will cover any firm wall surface, old
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patched spots, the finish is especially
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and can be washed with soap and
water without harm to its surface.
Made by The Sicca Soya Paint Co.,
Peoria, Ill., this finish comes in
twelve different colors.

SUSPENDED HEATER UNIT
The Peerless Manufacturing Corp.,
Louisville, Ky., announce a completely
new suspended, fan-type, gas unit
heater that lends itself to many prac-
tical applications because it permits
good head clearance. Streamlined in
styling, this new heater is a very
compact, one package unit. All con-
trols and motor are mounted, wired
and tested at the factory, reducing

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You can't see the difference in these two bundles of flooring...

...BUT there will be a big difference in the floors they make

The flooring on the left has been carefully kiln dried, accurately machined, and properly graded. It will make a beautiful, long-lasting hardwood floor that will completely satisfy the home owner. The flooring on the right was poorly seasoned, indifferently graded, and has serious manufacturing defects. Difficulty and added expense will be experienced in laying this flooring, and there will undoubtedly be complaints on the completed floor.

Hardwood flooring has to be bought on confidence. There's no bigger gamble than the purchase of unbranded flooring through "fly-by-night" sources of supply!

- Hardwood flooring, more than almost any other building material, must be purchased on the reputation of the manufacturer and the integrity of the dealer who sells it. Flooring is received in wire-bound bundles, making it impractical to examine individual pieces, as you can do when unloading lumber. Furthermore, even closest scrutiny of every strip will not disclose shortcomings in seasoning or certain defects in manufacture. These will become apparent only as the flooring is being laid, or after the floor has been in use.

When you buy flooring through unknown sources, you have no recourse. You don't know what you're getting until it's too late! Protect the home buyer, and yourself, by purchasing accepted brands of flooring and buying through recognized, reliable dealers.

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installation to merely connecting the hangers to the ceiling support, and completing the gas and electrical connections. The gas inlet is so arranged the user can remove it quickly without interrupting the service of other gas equipment. All units are finished in tan. Current sizes range from 65,000 B.T.U. to 200,000 B.T.U.

SAW HORSE LEG AB7820
A handy labor saving device is the Klampen all-steel folding saw horse leg made by the Jim C. Porter Co., 130 East Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind. The Klampen saw horse leg is self-leveling. It clamps on 2x4's and 2x6's and can be on and off the job in a few seconds. Waste of lumber, time and nails is eliminated when it is used. Made of 14-gauge steel, the leg will not buckle on the job. It is lightweight, a set of four weighs less than 20 pounds, and folds compactly. The leg is finished in rust-resistant red enamel.

PACKAGED CHIMNEY AB7837
A light weight prefabricated flue, known as the Packaged Chimney, is on the market. It is supported entirely from the ceiling and roof and does not require any brick work. The central flue pipe is a porcelain enamel liner. Between this and an outer metal casing is a loose fiber asbestos insulation. The advantages of this chimney are its ease of installation, its durability, its efficient operation and its low cost. Test cases showed the installation time is about two man hours per average job. Manufactured by the Condensation Engineering Corp., 122 South Michigan Ave., Chicago 3, Ill., it is marketed as the Vitroliner Type E flue.

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The graceful lines of the extended grille afford a gentle, even flow of air that blankets every nook and cranny of the room. Temperatures are the same in all parts of the room. Cold spots are eliminated.

Besides greater comfort, the Honeywell Register enables you to offer other long-needed improvements. Unsightly wall and ceiling streaks are prevented. Installation costs are lowered sharply. And the streamlined beauty of the register takes its place with even the most exacting decorating schemes. Small wonder the Honeywell Register is fast gaining overwhelming acceptance. Minneapolis-Honeywell, Minneapolis 8, Minnesota. In Canada: Toronto 17, Ontario.
National Savings and Loan League Gets New President

JAMES J. O’MALLEY, president of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., was recently elected president of the National Savings and Loan League.

O’Malley, who succeeded Curtis F. Scott, New Orleans, is a prominent financial and business leader in Wilkes-Barre, with a wide range of interests. He is chairman of a federal statutory body created by congress and known as the Federal Savings and Loan Advisory Council which advises the Home Loan Bank Board. He is also a director of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh and is a past president of the Pennsylvania Savings and Loan League.

Secretary-Manager Named For Insulating Siding

RICHARD G. BREEDEN, JR., is now secretary-manager of the Insulating Siding Association. Formulated just two years ago, this Association is comprised of fourteen leading manufacturers of insulating siding products.

Breeden was formerly merchandising manager for the Handicraft Division of the Burgess Battery Co. He was in the Navy from 1940 to 1946, and left the service with the rank of Commander. Prior to the war, he was with the United States Gypsum Co. in the Industrial Sales Department.

Breeden was graduated from Northwestern University in 1938.

Jones & Brown Open Newly Remodeled Headquarters

THE opening of newly remodeled, completely modern headquarters for Jones & Brown, Inc., at 439 Sixth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., has been announced by E. N. Rosenthal, president, and Charles G. Brown, secretary and treasurer. The firm is national distributor of Inselbric, the insulating brick siding, and Ko-Z-Aire conditioning units.

Voorhees Is New President Of National Plywood Group

GEORGE F. VOORHEES of Jackson, Mich., was elected president of the National Plywood Distributors Association in June. The elections were held in Chicago at a joint meeting of the Wholesale Building Materials Division and the Plywood Distributors Division of the association.

The importance of a nationally organized wholesale distributor’s group for wholesalers handling building materials was underscored by Earl F. Boyle of Johns-Manville Sales Corp., in a talk on the value of jobber distribution. The next three to five years Boyle declared, will determine the kind of distribution setup that will develop in the industry. The wholesaler must prove to manufacturers that he can expand distribution.

Donald M. Crooks of the Douglas Fir Plywood Association outlined the outlook for production of that commodity. It is probable that production in 1948 will reach 21 billion square feet, he said. In 1949, a production of 27 billion square feet is anticipated.

Other new officers of the association are: John L. Williams of Indianapolis, vice president of the Plywood Distributors Division; J. L. Pavey of South Bend, Ind., vice president of the Building Materials Division.

A chairman and vice chairman for each division were elected for four geographical sections of the United States. For the Plywood Distributors Division, they are: Western—A. E. Lundgren of Tacoma, Wash., chairman; E. F. Hall, Portland, Ore., vice chairman; Central section—John L. Williams, chairman; Dan L. Davis, Jr., of Chicago, vice chairman; Eastern section—Hal Keely of Pittsburg, chairman; R. C. Whitemyer of Gloucester City, N. J., vice chairman; Southern section—W. W. Logan of Miami, chairman; Charles McKee of New Orleans, vice chairman.

Holding the same positions of chairman and vice chairman respectively for the Wholesale Buildings Materials Division are: Western—Kenneth J. Shipp of Oakland, Cali.; Benjamin Levinson of Seattle; Central—J. I. Pavey of South Bend; John P. Ashton of Des Moines; Eastern—Carl Crosby of Everett, Mass.; no vice chairman named; Southern—Lee T. McCourt, Memphis, Tenn.; and Garnett Mitchell, Nashville, Tenn.
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This is the third article in a series by the Asphalt Roofing Industry Bureau

Application Of Giant Individual SHINGLES
The American Method

THE American method of applying giant individual asphalt shingles is most commonly used for new work but may be used for reroofing over old roof coverings.

Shingles of any type are recommended only for roofs with a pitch of 4-inches rise for each horizontal foot. When the American method of application is being followed, giant individual shingles should be exposed 5 inches to the weather.

The first essential of shingle application is that the deck be sound. General recommendations for wood decks are that 1 by 6 inch tongue and groove sheathing be used. Each board should be fastened to each supporting rafter with two 8d nails, one through the face of the board and one through the edge.

An underlayment of No. 15 asphalt saturated roofers' felt goes on top of the deck to protect the wood from dampness. Roll roofing should never be used for this purpose because it would act as a vapor barrier. To in-

Ask your Hardware Consultant or write us for complete details.

FIGURE 1—Shows roof deck preparation and immediate protection to the deck, only as much decking should be laid in a day as can be covered with felt the same day.

The first element of the roof to be applied on top of the underlayment is a metal drip edge, a strip of sheet metal, 28 gauge or equivalent, painted on both sides. A metal strip of this sort should be laid along the
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FIGURE 2—Application of giant individual asphalt shingles by the American method is such that in every second course spaces between the adjoining shingles are in line

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American Builder, July 1948.
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Call your jobber—he's all set to help you make more sales—more profits.

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How-To-Do-It

eaves on the rakes, extending back 2 to 4 inches along the roof surface and bent down over the edge of the roof about the thickness of the deck sheathing. Fasten each strip along its inner edge with galvanized roofing nails 8 to 10 inches apart.

An "eaves flashing strip" of mineral-surfaced roll roofing then is applied flush with the lower edge of the drip edge and extending up the roof to a point at least 6 inches beyond the inside wall line. (Figure 1)

Nails used to secure giant individual shingles should be galvanized roofing nails, long enough to penetrate at least 3/4 inches into the roof deck. Each shingle is fastened with two nails, located 6 inches up from the bottom of the shingle and 1 1/2 inches in from each side. (Figures 2 and 3)

Horizontal and vertical chalk lines should always be used to insure good shingle alignment.

Starter course shingles are applied with their 16-inch sides parallel to the eaves, flush with the lower edge of the eaves flashing strip. Shingles are spaced 3/4 inch apart.

All regular course shingles are applied with their 16-inch sides parallel to the eaves, flush with the lower edge of the eaves flashing strip. Shingles are spaced 3/4 inch apart.

The second course begins with a half shingle and continues with full size shingles. The third course begins with a full shingle, and the first shingles in succeeding courses are alternately half and full size.

An alternate method of laying courses after the first is to start the second and third courses with shingles from which enough has been cut so that joints between shingles of every third course will be in line vertically. This method will give slightly better coverage than will the method in which joints of every second course are in line. (Continued to page 168)
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Now you can give low-cost houses the lasting protection of durable, non-rusting copper flashing. It adds an important sales point to every house; it enhances the reputation of the builder as a user of quality material; it assures complete satisfaction for the owner. And it is so low in cost . . . so economical to install, that you'll want to start using Revere Home Flashing right away!

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Rule 1. Keep moisture from plaster before mixing. Moisture causes plaster to set. Therefore, plaster should be stored in a dry place, and circulation of air through the warehouse should be prevented. Do not pile plaster out-of-doors or on the bare ground or next to green walls. Do not allow plaster to stand dry-mixed with sand.

Rule 2. Have lath conditions right. Lath should be of good grade and should be properly spaced and nailed. Look out for dry lath. Wood laths are bound to swell when wet, and if not swelled before plastering, they are likely to swell and buckle afterwards. Therefore, wet the lath. It is better to do it the day before and again about one hour before plastering. It is especially important to wet wood lath over doors and windows where the walls dry out very rapidly.

Note: One way to avoid lath troubles is to use Rocklath, the fireproof plaster base. You do not have to soak Rocklath, and it makes a solid, dense wall that can never buckle. Brick walls have great suction; sprinkle them well before plastering.

Rule 3. Water quality — clean water is desirable, when obtainable, for all plastering. The set of cement plaster is practically independent of water quality. Finishes, however, may be stained if the gauging water contains soluble impurities.

Rule 4. Sand quality — sand meeting the requirements of A.S.T.M. for fineness is desirable. The setting time of cement plasters is practically independent of sand quality. Sand should be free from frost.

Rule 5. Keep set-up plaster out of the mix. Set plaster causes quick-set. Clean the mortar box and tools after each gauging. Do not wash tools in the gauging water. Do not mix one gauging with another. Do not re- (Continued to page 170)
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temper plaster after it has commenced to set. Throw it away. It is time and money saved.

Rule 6. Mix material as needed. Apply mortar immediately after mixing and do not mix more material than can be handled in about one hour.

Rule 7. Mixing methods— the maximum strength and uniformity of sand and plaster mixtures depends on getting a perfect mix on the job. Uneven distribution of sand in plaster may result in weak oversanded spots due to incorrect mixing practice. Mixing should be continued until sand and plaster are thoroughly incorporated. Machine mixers should be kept clean and free from set plaster.

Rule 8. Keep green walls from freezing until set hard. Frost will not injure plaster after setting occurs, and walls may be allowed to freeze dry. Whenever there is likelihood of frost in basecoat plasters, they should be warmed and dried thoroughly before finishing.

How to Get Neat Corners When Nailing Siding

HERBERT E. FEY, New Braunfels, Texas, in submitting this idea says, "To eliminate the usual openings that occur in corners where the end of the siding come together, I have adopted the method shown in the drawing."

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How to Catch Shavings When Drilling Overhead

WHEN drilling overhead, shavings have a habit of falling in the face of the mechanic. To eliminate this condition place a funnel over the bit of the brace as illustrated above. If funnel is too long, cut off part of it below the neck. Submitted by RAY HARRISON, Dafoe, Sask., Canada.

How to Increase Space In a Broom Closet

THE usefulness of a broom closet, such as this behind-the-door space maker, can be greatly increased by putting shelves on the inside of the door.

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How to Speed Up Wall Framing

ARTHUR F. TAGGART, Monrovia, Calif., submits this idea. When nailing fire blocks, cut a 1x4-inch stick 4 feet long and use it alternately vertical and diagonal. This will locate the position of the fire block and provide backing while nailing blocks.

How to Make a Louvre From An Old Slat Shutter

C. D. ROBB of Frankfort, Ohio, suggests that old but sound 13/4-inch or 11/2-inch stationary slat shutters can be put to good use as a louvre opening with a minimum of effort.

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Organization of committees which will assist recently elected officers in operation of the Building Material Exhibitors Association during the next 12 months and presentation of gifts to retiring officers highlighted the June meeting of the Association at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago.

Retiring President E. G. Gavin and Retiring Secretary Adolph Pfund received appropriate gifts from the membership in appreciation of their untiring efforts in behalf of the organization. Both are Chicagoans. President E. F. Boyle, Chicago district manager of Johns-Manville Sales Corp., presided.

The other new officers are Russell E. Dean, Bennett-Ireland, Inc., Norwich, N.Y., vice president; and Maurice C. Collins, vice president of the Lawrence H. Selz Organization, Chicago, secretary.

Mr. Gavin, who is editor of American Builder, was named chairman of the executive committee and M. G. Rice E. Collins, vice president of the Lawrence H. Selz Organization, Chicago, secretary.
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G. F. Hoppe, Insulite, Minneapolis, Minn., was named as a committee of one in charge of publicity, and Vice President Dean was appointed to act in similar capacity on the membership committee.

Lustron Appoints New Sales Vice President

Appointment of Richard N. Jones as vice president in charge of sales has been announced by Carl G. Strandlund, president, Lustron Corp., Columbus, Ohio.

Jones goes to Lustron with a background of 20 years' experience in development and study of marketing, merchandising and sales problems for and construction materials and equipment producers in the construction industry.

From 1928 to 1930, Jones was associated with the magazine, Building Age, leaving there to join the staff of Architectural Forum. He was made Cleveland manager shortly after the Forum was acquired in 1937 he was named western manager — shortly later named a member of its publishing committee in 1946.

Wholesale Lumbermen Re-elect Turner, Darling

W. T. Turner, Spartanburg, S.C., president, and Sid L. Darling, secretary-director, were re-elected at the fifty-sixth annual meeting of the National-American Wholesale Lumber Association.

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A UNIQUE packaged boiler unit for use with radiant heating installations has recently been developed by York-Shipley, Inc., York, Pa. The unit provides both low-temperature hot water for floor-type coils and high-temperature domestic hot water from an instantaneous-type water coil.

Adaptability of the boiler unit has already been recognized by several of the nation's builders through orders placed for it, including one order for 4,000 units for the Levittown, Long Island, project.

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Tracy Company Appoints New England Distributor

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