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The results of the November elections seem to have been interpreted by some political observers as reflecting public confusion. The reason for this is unexpected reversals in normally sure districts for both parties, and narrow squeaks for both parties in places where safe majorities were predicted.

Looking at the over-all results through eyes not politically trained, we see not confusion in the minds of voters but something entirely different. Because of the tight races, the reversals, and the obvious fact that many voters were moved more by the individual qualifications of the candidate than by his party affiliation, we see in the results a conservative demand for maintaining status quo in the national economy.

Most voters seem to be scared of a return to the outright socialistic programs of the Truman and Roosevelt administrations and, at the same time, reluctant to abandon the current benefits of controlled inflation, cold war as opposed to hot war, tempered liberalism, and other neatly balanced policies on which both parties seem to be in basic agreement.

If this conclusion is tenable, what can the home building industry expect of the new Congress? First, it should expect another drive to expand federal public housing. And if this drive materializes, the industry should expect it to make some modest gains. This in spite of the fact that the federal public housing program does not achieve what it is supposed to achieve, and is a far too expensive way to house the indigent to make it acceptable as an answer to a vexing problem.

It will be remembered that the proponents of federal public housing were organized, vocal and powerful when they launched their campaign following the war. It will be remembered that the opponents were unorganized, and had to fight a delaying action while trying to muster their forces. There was no time to think of alternative methods of housing the needy.

So, the opposition, sure that they were defending the strongest bastion against socialization of the entire economy, found themselves accused of heartlessness, selfishness and reactionism. The fact that Congress held public housing activity to so low a figure as it did indicates that the American public was and is willing to listen to the arguments of the anti-socialists.

But, if the battle breaks out again, the public rightly will expect the opponents of public housing to come up with another and better answer to housing the poor.

We believe there is an answer. It is to place the responsibility for housing the indigent in the communities where the need exists. Raise money through local subscription, administrate it through a volunteer committee of responsible citizens charged with the dual role of housing the poor with a rotating fund, and addressing itself to the problem of improving the lot of the beneficiaries to the end that they can care for their own housing needs.

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What are the light construction prospects for 1955?

- American Builder survey reveals 19% increase in housing starts—in excess of 1,400,000 units
- Departments of Commerce and Labor forecast 13% boost—1,300,000 dwelling units
- Predict remodeling, institutional and commercial building to set new highs

With the cooperation of several hundred subscribers, American Builder has been able to forecast housing starts with accuracy. This year's survey, made in November 1954, shows that housing starts will increase about 19 per cent in 1955 over the 1,200,000 started in 1954. It is, therefore, expected that more than 1,400,000 dwelling units will be started in the United States in 1955, slightly in excess of the 1,396,000 starts in 1950, the previous record year for house building.

6 out of 10 builders say they will up production

About six out of 10 of the builders surveyed plan to start more dwelling units in 1955 than in 1954, three expect to start the same number, and one out of 10 expects to start less.

A similar survey made in 1949 showed an increase of about 25 per cent in starts, in spite of widespread pessimism in the industry and the economy in general. The year 1950 subsequently set an all-time record.

Official forecasts in agreement

This year the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of Labor are in substantial agreement with the American Builder estimate. The official forecast is for a 13 per cent increase in new residential building. They estimate that 1,300,000 public and private housing units will get under way this year, making 1955 second only to the peak year of 1950. A strong demand for new houses continues, mortgage money is readily available, and easier credit terms provided by recent legislation are in effect.

Among other important influences supporting new housing demand are widely distributed liquid assets in the hands of consumers; the millions of World War II veterans still eligible for GI home-loan privileges which, under the GI Bill of Rights, expire in 1957; and changing family needs, as the birthrate continues to rise and larger families in middle-income groups become more prevalent. Of special significance is the

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*Patent applied for.
LAND-POOLING FOR SMALL BUILDERS on a pay-as-you-go basis is being introduced for the first time in the Detroit area. The plan, successfully used in several Southern cities, calls for purchase and development of large suburban acreage, followed by offering fully-improved sites, without profit, to selected builders who have been unable to find suitable lots so that they could compete with big operators with the facilities to develop their own raw land. Profit is to come from sale of the homes.

Charles F. Brown, president of the developing firm, Thompson-Brown Company, said it was now preparing tracts of 160 and 150 acres to comprise 584 sites averaging 110 to 120 feet wide, 144 to 160 feet deep. Including roads, water and sewers, these sites are to be delivered at approximately $22 per front foot in time for spring building. Similar sites, he declared, have a present market value of $40 to $50 per front foot. Savings of at least $1,500 per lot will be realized, he pointed out, which could be reflected in lower cost or higher quality.

Each participating builder is to contract for a specified number of lots, then build one or more models of an approved architectural design, with all to be finished at the same time. Remaining sites go into a common pool from which buyers may select locations.

A price range of $16,000 to $19,500 is being considered for homes in the two tracts. All sales will be handled by one realty firm representing the developer.

BIG CITY SUBURBAN HOUSING shows increasing strength in late 1954 reports from several centers of the Midwest. Chicago building total was $777,857,582 at the end of November, or $35,500,000 more than the amount credited to the full year in 1953. Over two-thirds of the 11-month figure represented housing (44,244 units to cost $540,552,881), of which nearly 75 per cent was credited to suburban territory. Bell Savings & Loan Association, which compiled the study, estimated that the year-end total would be $80,600,000 greater than in 1953. Since housing alone was running $86,600,000 ahead in 11 months, it appeared all the gain would be credited to the home builder.

Suburban strength was even more noticeable in Detroit. Nine-month totals for the four-county Detroit region were 31,441 housing permits, of which 28,907, or 92.9 per cent were located outside the city. Last year during the same period, Detroit listed 4,654 permits or 17.3 per cent of the regional total.

Building last year in Greater St. Louis was estimated at 10,500 homes by Richard C. Higginbotham, new president of the home builders association. It looks like 12,000 new homes and apartments this year, he added.

SPLIT-LEVELS ARE HERE TO STAY, said Herman H. York, Long Island architect, at the recent New York State HBA convention. However, he cautions that "while we are coming up with newer ways of splitting levels every day, we still have many corners to cut so far as economical use of materials is concerned. For example, with varying heights in the frame sections of walls, we should be taking better advantage of standard-length, precision-cut studs by so designing to use either full lengths or exactly half-lengths, to eliminate waste of material and labor. Pre-assembly of component parts also should be more widely used."

IMPOSSIBLE PLOT REQUIREMENTS and unrealistic zoning is blamed for reports that there is little land left for homes in Bergen and Passaic Counties, the northern New Jersey section within the New York metropolitan area.

In denying the reports, Fred R. Brunetti, new president of the Home Builders Association of Northern New Jersey, said Bergen County alone had room on suitable acreage for over 20,000 houses on 100x100 average plots and room for equal that number in spot building. "There are additional thousands of acres in Passaic County," he said, but community leaders must be educated "that they are in effect shortchanging and harming themselves and their communities by overly restrictive zoning."
Trends

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strong trend towards home ownership in recent years. This imparts much of the vitality to the present housing market.

Big potential for remodeling

No estimates are available of the size of the remodeling market this year, but the potential is still huge. Arno H. Johnson, Vice-President and Director of Research of J. Walter Thompson Co., points out that approximately half of the dwelling units in the United States are over 30 years of age. Also, over 32 million or 2/3 of the houses are over 20 years old.

The 24 million dwelling units over 30 years old, representing half of our homes, were built at a time when radio was in its infancy, television unheard of and when less than 7 per cent of the adult population were high school graduates. (4/2 million versus over 44 million now.)

There is a huge and really immeasurable opportunity beyond the providing of new houses for new families, according to Mr. Johnson, and that is in the replacing or remodeling of obsolete houses to bring the whole housing standard more in line with the present modern levels of learning and education, and in line with the upward change in the distribution of families by income.

Non-residential construction to increase

New residential construction alone is expected to account for 55 per cent of all private construction in 1955. The American Builder readers surveyed also expect to do a substantial amount of remodeling and non-residential building — ranging from new corn cribs to new department stores.

The Department of Commerce expects that commercial construction will continue to expand to a new high of $2.3 billions of work put in place in 1955, with the emphasis on new stores, shopping centers and offices to service new housing developments and continued suburban growth. Religious and private educational building, hitting a higher peak in 1954 than in any previous year, will expand still more in this coming year.

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Money-making FHA Hampered By Low Budget

Members of a mortgage finance panel at the second annual convention of the New York State Home Builders Association convention in New York City agreed that funds will be plentiful at low rates through the foreseeable future and that the only slowdown faced by industry may be inability of the Federal Housing Administration to process an increasing number of loan applications.

Frederick W. Jackson, assistant vice president of the Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn, criticized Congress for permitting only a $1,350,000 budget increase instead of the $4,000,000 asked to employ the personnel needed to “keep pace with the increased business pouring into the FHA offices.” He said application fees collected by FHA in October alone were over $600,000 greater than the additional authorization granted for a year’s full operation.

Approximately 1,000 persons were registered at the convention. Charles M. Jaeger of the Long Island Home Builders Institute was elected president to succeed Frank P. Tufaro, who was presented with a gold plaque in appreciation of his three-year service in that post.

'Spike Clubbers’ Lead Wichita Builders

New officers of Wichita Association of Home Builders, all Spike Club members, are (from left, front) Frank Malone, secretary-treasurer; Frank Kessler, president; (rear) Bill Binter, director; W. L. Stauffer, first vice president; David Jones, second vice president; Erle Jennings, third vice president; M. K. Gentry and Mark Wood, directors.

Agency to Seek Flexible Arrangement

Although the Federal Housing Administration is working overtime and increasing its personnel to the extent its funds will permit to reduce the big backlog of commitments for housing, the agency will seek a flexible budget arrangement as the best means to eliminate the problem and permit the agency to operate efficiently under all conditions.

So declared Charles A. “Del” Bowser, FHA director of underwriting, at the Home Builders Association of Illinois convention in Peoria Dec. 3-4. Bowser, an engineer and former home builder of Lansing, Mich., praised the builders for their past achievements and reminded them that “we still have need in America for more owner-occupied homes. We’re going to do it as a team—you as the builders and we as the FHA.”

The new association, headed by Cecil Madaus of Decatur, reported that registration at its first annual convention exceeded 300.

Long Islander is New York’s Choice

Charles M. Jaeger, builder-banker of Rockville Centre, Long Island, is installed by former NAHB president Emanuel M. Spiegel as president of New York State HBA. Retiring three-term president Frank P. Tufaro and Leo P. Byrne, second vice president, are at right; Frank Graham, convention banquet chairman, in rear.

Lead Empire State’s Newest Chapter

First officers of the Home Builders Association of the Mohawk Valley, headquartered in Utica, N. Y., include (from left) John A. Ueltschi, treasurer; Gerald Pryor, first vice president; A. H. Pearsall, secretary; V. Lansing Blake, second vice president, and C. H. Love, president. Group had 20 members when organized.
Northern Winners Acapulco-bound

Wally Ellstrom of Minneapolis-Honeywell, Detroit (left), leads northern contingent of Acapulco Derby winners from Chicago to join others at Dallas. They include Bruce Blietz, Wilmette, Ill.; John R. Worthman, Fort Wayne; Irving Rose, Detroit; Fred De Blase, Rochester, N.Y.; Fred Garling, Dearborn, Mich. The stewardesses, both of Dallas, are Angie Martin and Suzanne Newton.

Roamin' the North—

New England Council, comprising an even dozen HBA chapters in that territory, has elected Anthony Viola, Providence, to succeed Arthur Oleson, Hartford, as president. Milton Thompson, Worcester, Mass., was named vice president; Robert Gamache, Manchester, N.H., treasurer, and Albert Bowman, New Haven, secretary... Wichita, Kans., Research Village was on the Armstrong Circle Theater, a nationally televised show, Dec. 7, with the spotlight turned on the Walt Stauffer house... Believed to be a first, Val Zimerman, Milwaukee, has obtained an insurance company to underwrite his home buyer warranty up to a maximum of $2,000 a home. The policy asserts the builder has agreed to repair any structural defect in the home (equipment, workmanship and materials) within a year after the sale, and that if the builder fails to do this, the insurance company will underwrite the cost itself.

T. A. Rauch, newly elected president of the HBA of Metropolitan Pittsburgh, is pushing plans for construction of the association's own headquarters. After two years as head of the Long Island Home Builders Institute, Walter G. Stackler has been succeeded by Emil M. Keen.

Canada Keeps Pace—

In step with the rising home building tempo in the United States, construction contract awards in Canada totaled $214,271,300 in November, a 35 per cent gain over Nov. '53. Eleven-month total was running ahead by nearly $70,000,000... HBA of Westchester, N.Y., new slate includes Charles F. Haring, Jr., president; Stanley J. Slotte, first vice president; Thomas Leone, second vice president; Mac Welson, treasurer; James E. Cook, secretary...

Indiana Changeover

Gale C. Corley, retiring Indiana HBA president, congratulates his successor, Ralph P. Shirmeyer of Fort Wayne, as Joseph W. Van Briggel, executive vice president, beams approval

Takes Reins in Ohio

Melvin E. Kimmey of Dayton, addressing Ohio HBA convention at Toledo after his election as president succeeding A. W. Stanbery

'Bildor Best Citizen' in St. Louis

John M. Bogdanor (second from left) receiving "Bildor Best Citizen" award, known as the Schuermann trophy, from Luman F. Matthews, county supervisor, at installation banquet held by HBA of Greater St. Louis. Retiring president Ben Goldberg (left) and his successor, Richard C. Higginbotham, are participating in a ceremony witnessed by nearly 1,000 persons.

Clarence M. Kimball of Detroit recently succeeded W. C. A. Costello, Gloucester City, N.J., at the helm of the Northern Sash & Door Jobbers Assn. Peter J. Negrelli's DiCarlo Mason & Building Co. will erect Cleveland's 1955 Home of Safety... Bill Bintner will ride free to the NAHB annual convention: he netted 20 new members for Wichita Assn. of Home Builders. Blodgett & Krajacic sold out 76-home section in two days at Omaha.
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In North Dakota, January temperatures are expected to average colder than the normal. To the south and east, temperatures will average somewhat warmer than normal. The number of operational days, however, will be slightly less than the average, due primarily to excessive precipitation amounts. The most favorable periods for carrying on extended outdoor operations are expected to center around January 8 and 20. At these times, roofers will find conditions satisfactory for application work. Building materials will require cold weather protection measures during most of the month.

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January Temperatures in Area 2 will average warmer than normal. Three short cold spells are in prospect, however, and restrictive temperatures should be anticipated at these times. Precipitation amounts during the month will show considerable variance with the Illinois, Iowa and northeastern Nebraska regions recording above normal totals. Elsewhere in Area 2, less than normal precipitation may be expected. Painters and plumbers working out-of-doors should look for frequent but temporary interruptions. Nevertheless, the number of operational days this January will be slightly higher than the average.

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Favorable working weather is in prospect for Area 3 during January, 1955. While temperatures are expected to average well above the normal, monthly precipitation totals are expected to be excessive and should account for much of the lost working time. Difficulties in the movement of materials and heavy equipment are likely, and delays in excavation and trenching work due to wet soils will occur. Wet weather protection will be required for materials, particularly in Iowa and Illinois.

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Contractors here in Area 4 should expect the number of workable days to be less than the average with precipitation the principal restricting factor. January totals will be well above normal except in the northern Michigan area. Temperatures for the month will average warmer than is usual although time will be lost during each of the three short cold spells. The most favorable intervals for roofing and outdoor painting are anticipated around January 10 and 22. Concrete and masonry work, however, seem certain to suffer more than the usual delay.

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Temperatures during January, 1955, are expected to average warmer than normal. Rainfall and snowfall totals for the month will be recorded at above the seasonal level. Thus, the number of operational days will be less than the average. The clearing of snow both from the ground and from concrete forms will be necessary during and after the January storm periods. Chemical applications in trench bottoms for thawing ice and snow also should be needed. Wet weather protective measures including proper storage facilities for building materials will be a necessity this month.
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JANUARY 1955
"Crosswicks Provincial" is set in wooded lot with at least 100-ft. frontage. Hip and gable roof blend well and Redwood clapboarding helps establish horizontal lines of house.

Jenkintown, Pa.

What makes this split-level

The "Crosswicks Provincial" shown here is one of the luxury-lined models selling for $27,500 at Crosswicks Farms in Jenkintown, a suburb of Philadelphia. Crosswicks Farms consists of 120 houses built by the Carl Metz Corporation and designed by James E. Fox. Each house is built on a wooded lot not less than 100 feet wide and 15,000 in square feet; is near schools, churches, stores, transportation. Rooms are large; master bedroom is 12x17 feet. Philippine mahogany trim is used throughout house. Each house has gas-fired incinerator. Living room and dining room have large window walls. Living room has roman brick fireplace, one wall paneled in oak or mahogany. House has oak flooring throughout. Bathrooms are of ceramic tile, have colored plumbing fixtures with heat entering beneath tub. Heat is low-velocity, hot air is gas fired, all set for year-round air conditioning that can be installed at any time. Kitchen has built in range, oven, and wide glass area over work counter for view, light.

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- Lightolier lighting fixtures
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- Ruberoid roofing
- Schlage hardware
- Vanity Fair vanities
- Vinyl plastic floor tile
Kimball Hill & Associates are selling the "Riviera" on a 66-foot lot for $27,700. Contemporary in styling, the Riviera has low-pitched roofs with marble chip surfacing; uses modern window treatment and brick, stone and redwood as materials for exterior wall surfaces. House contains four bedrooms, a bath and a half. Kitchen has birch custom cabinets with Formica tops, has G-E dishwasher, Waste-King garbage disposer, Mix-Master shelf. Bath has Crane colored fixtures, ceramic tile, built-in sun lamp.

Twindow insulating glass is used in living and dining room. Interior walls and ceiling are of 1/2-inch Gypsum Sheetrock. Heating is Triad hot-water heat with Minneapolis-Honeywell controls and baseboard radiation. The two-car garage is equipped with Overhead doors, has Peg-Board panel on wall for storage.
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2. Modernfold door, to screen kitchen, is stored in wall pocket in left wall, can also be anchored on right wall

... this house in Fort
good control points . . .

Wayne has them

In his latest Trend House, John Worthman of Fort Wayne, Indiana, has used open planning throughout to gain spaciousness. But he has also been careful to provide ways of controlling openness so that maximum livability will result.

The corner fireplace can be seen from the dining area and den-bedroom as well as from the living room. These three rooms flow together as a single zone, if desired; or the den-bedroom can be shut off simply by closing its double doors.

Kitchen and dinette can be screened for an occasion, or more or less permanently, by a folding door stored in a wall pocket. By making it possible to anchor this door on the outer wall of its 11-foot opening, permanent screening is possible.

The clever arrangement by which the children's bedroom is integrated with the kitchen is achieved by a jalousie set into the bedroom wall, with wooden louvers in vertical position, 2 feet 5 3/4 inches from the floor. From the kitchen the mother may also watch children playing in the yard or on the patio across the back of the house. A sliding window wall connects this patio to the dining area.

The oversized garage, a hallmark of Worthman one-floor houses, has floor of Congoleum-Nairn's Vinylbest Gold Seal tile; resistant to acids, greases, dirt and chemicals and inlaid with a shuffle board court. Furnace and cooling unit are hidden behind sliding doors of the capacious storage closet in the garage.

The house has 2,236 square feet, including garage containing 580 square feet, and sells for $42,000. This price includes carpeting, drapes and full complement of kitchen appliances. The price also includes lot of 70 by 128 feet, valued at $5,000.

JANUARY 1955
Fire bricks (used in test because of low density) here demonstrate water repellency of LINDE Silicones. Treated brick, unchanged in appearance, floats indefinitely. Untreated brick soaks up water and sinks.

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You can keep water out of your above-grade brick and masonry walls just as it's kept out of that floating brick, above.

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JANUARY 1955
Greenlawn, L. I., N. Y.

**What happened when this house went on sale**

55 "Early American" houses like this one were put on sale.

All of them were sold during the first sale weekend.

Now, 256 other people want to know when they can buy houses because they are ready to buy them.

Herman H. York, the architect who designed this house, analyzes its popularity in this way: "It seems that the buyer is not buying split level just for split level sake. He buys it because it offers a lot of house for the money.

"Now along comes an 'Early American' type and it offers all the living space offered by a split level so the buyer takes the more conventional type. This house was preferred over the split level in the same development, 51/2 to 1, although both were on one-acre plots. This house is being copied by several builders."

Basic price for house was $20,990 on one-acre plot. For finished room and bath on second floor, cost was $2,000 additional
Kansas City, Kans.

Buyers preferred
this French Provincial

Western Hills, a James H. Stanton Construction Company subdivision in Kansas City, provided an opportunity for potential home buyers to select a house of their choice—from modern, one-floor ranch style, a Cape Cod or the French provincial shown here. Stanton architects established definite floor plans and permitted home buyers to select their choice of styles. The French provincial priced at $16,685 proved to be the buyer's choice. It has three baths, a full concrete basement, all oak flooring, an all-electric kitchen, and a choice of a one- or two-car garage. As the result of their experience, the Stanton Construction Company feels that there may be a trend toward a desire for more traditional house design.

Columbus, Ohio

To gain feeling of width—Use horizontal lines

Romas Homes Incorporated, of Columbus, Ohio, asked architect William Krimer to design an inexpensive house to fit on a 50x110-foot lot. The result was a compact rectangle in plan—a house economical to build, selling for $14,050. With the use of a horizontal band of color, the extension of the lower part of the house as a garden wall on one side and the integration of the carport roof line with the overhang over the front door, Krimer achieved horizontal lines to make the house seem wider than it is in reality. For its $14,050 price, Romas Homes Incorporatted, includes the following products:

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2. Matching of styles and colors!
Here's real flexibility for you! Now you can accurately match a steel bathtub, for example, with cast-iron lavatory and a china toilet... in any one of several attractive decorator shades or white... and be confident of complete blending in style and color. Meet all customer preferences and cost demands.
How to build in
bathroom
sales appeal

Now, turn home plumbing fixtures into effective sales features. You can, if you can point to "Eljer quality plumbing fixtures throughout the house."

Here's why: Eljer fixtures are well known, nationally advertised. And now, Eljer alone offers color-matched fixtures in all three materials—enameled cast-iron, porcelain-enameded formed steel and vitreous china. You can intermix a cast-iron lavatory, a formed steel bathtub, and a vitreous china toilet, for example—in any one of five Eljer colors or white—and the color match is commercially perfect.

All brass fittings—faucets, showerheads, flushing mechanisms, as examples—are made in Eljer's own plants to highest precision standards. Eljer design insures long life and smooth operation. Every Eljer fixture must pass a complete inspection for working efficiency and fine finish.

Talk over Eljer fixtures with your plumbing contractor. You'll both save planning time and delivery headaches by ordering from a single source. You'll welcome plumbing that clicks at once with prospective buyers.

For more facts write to Eljer Co., Three Gateway Center, Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

Prospects spot these marks of quality. Eljer vitreous china has the luster of fine table china, but is specially toughened for wear.

Here's a bathtub with loads of customer appeal. Note the wide end-seat and convenient, lowered side-seat of this Eljer Ledgeon bath.

Eljer faucets bring lasting satisfaction... cut down repair calls. "Sweat-Dri" eliminates dripping. Working parts easily renewable.

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A house is only as good as it sells. Eljer's national advertising and promotion stand behind you and help you sell. Why split your sales story and sales effectiveness between more than one name in plumbing... when Eljer can give you, in style, color, materials, and price range, all you need to meet every preference?

4 You deal with just one source!

You know the advantages of a single source of supply, in terms of service and confidence. The quality and variety of Eljer's line make Eljer the choice of architects, builders and plumbing contractors everywhere. Eljer quality is assured. Every fixture, every fitting is subjected to exhaustive working tests before it is approved for shipment.
New! Complete line of Eljer steel cabinets for both steel and cast-iron sinks!

Finest quality **steel cabinet sinks** are now part of the famous Eljer line!

Here's one of the big payoffs in "all-Eljer" flexibility and one-source advantages. Eljer cabinet sinks assure you of the same appeal in design and durability that builders have expected and received for years in Eljer cast-iron and china fixtures and brass fittings.

The new Eljer 54" De Luxe Cabinet Sink (illustrated below), for example, is of heavier die-formed and welded steel. It features stronger, more rigidly anchored hinges and integral base, **pre-assembled at factory**. All the plumber has to do is set the combination in place and connect the supply and waste fittings, which incidentally, are produced in Eljer's own factory.

Eljer wall and base cabinets, too, have many features that make them fine companions for Eljer steel sink and cabinet combinations.
'55 Can Be Greatest Home Production Year

All signs indicate continued expansion of home building this year to the degree where activity should eclipse all previous annual records in dollar volume and possibly set a new standard for starts.

The Departments of Commerce and Labor have forecast new construction will reach an all-time high of $39.5 billion in 1955, 7 per cent above the record-breaking $37 billion anticipated as the 1954 total. Privately, expenditures are estimated at $27.4 billion, of which $15 billion is allocated to new residential work, a 13 per cent increase over 1954.

Up to 1,500,000 Starts

Con-cretively, in comparison with other estimates, the joint Commerce-Labor report predicts housing starts this year will approximate 1,300,000, or 100,000 units above last year's estimated total. However, the 103,000 starts estimated for November, shattering all records for the month, sent the seasonally adjusted annual rate zooming to 1,385,000 starts. With an upward revision of August starts to 114,300, the 11-month total for 1954 was 1,122,800, all private work except 17,800.

Last month, American Builder predicted 1,400,000 starts for the new year, with a possibility of 1,500,000. FHA Commissioner Norman P. Mason thinks the latter figure will be close.

Strong Influences Present

Easier credit terms provided by the 1954 housing act, ready availability of mortgage money and continued strong demand for new homes are behind the general feeling that this year will set new records. Other important influences are widely distributed liquid assets in the hands of consumers; millions of veterans still eligible for VA-guaranteed loans; continually rising birthrate; larger middle-income families; recent strong trend toward home ownership reflecting consumer preferences.

FHA-VA Business Booming

By the end of 1954, there were many other indicators assuring that a big housing year is in the making:

- In each of the first three months after the housing was put into operation, applications for FHA-insured loans set new highs for those particular months. In October, VA reported 82,497 appraisal requests and 57,849 home loan applications, both figures being more than double those registered for the same month in 1953. Current figures would be even higher, it is reported, but for the heavy backlog which has influenced numerous buyers to arrange non insured mortgages.

Plants on Overtime Basis

Fir plywood mills in the Pacific Northwest have been producing at capacity, mostly on a six-day week basis, to keep up with orders which are said to far exceed the backlog created by last summer's 12-week strike.

But Builders Will Face New Crop of Knotty Problems

By John M. Dickerman, Executive Director, National Assn. of Home Builders*

While the outlook for home building in 1955 has been liberally spiced with optimism in terms of both sales potential and availability of mortgage credit, there are a number of knotty problems which will confront the typical builder.

Merchandising: No. 1 on Many Lists

More and more builders are coming to realize that merchandising in its broadest sense must be number one on their list of things with which they must concern themselves in the coming months. The National Association of Home Builders has recognized this for some time. We expected the era of merchandising to begin in 1950-51 but the Korean emergency delayed that period until now. The association's role must include scouting the nation for the very best merchandising methods and the dissemination of those methods through our local, regional and national meetings, conventions, clinics, panels and discussion groups.

Many people think of merchandising as merely point of sale devices and gadgets. This is completely unrealistic since true merchandising begins with broad analysis of the market, correct selection and engineering of land, saleable design, good construction methods, equipment and refinements, aggressive selling and post-sales service. Actually, improved merchandising affects every phase of home building and a good merchantiser will sharpen up his entire operation to meet what we recognize will be keener competition in the months ahead.

Community Facilities

Shortage of schools to accommodate our growing suburban populations, lack of sewers, difficulty of obtaining water and other community facilities are pressing problems in many communities.

*This special article is a digest of a timely talk presented by Mr. Dickerman at several recent state home builders conventions. "Dickerman's Column," a regular feature in American Builder, will be resumed next month.
Builders to Face New Problems

(Continued from page 37)

Communities today. We predict they will become increasingly important in most parts of the United States within the next several years. The NAHB role in attacking this problem must be primarily that of marshalling and coordinating the efforts of local government and private industry. In some communities, this appears to be a problem created by the builder. This, of course, is not true. It is a by-product of the simple fact that our population is growing by leaps and bounds.

Our new 15-man committee has already met and begun to identify the areas of responsibility and to contact those various segments of our community life which have an interest in this problem. These include such groups as the planning officials and municipal law officials. In the January convention, we expect to have exploratory clinics and discussion groups on this subject. In the following months, there will be a series of clinics throughout the nation designed to highlight the problem and begin the long, hard job of developing financing tools to meet population pressure needs.

The American Builder's recent phrase, "Building Beyond the Mains," is perhaps the most descriptive phrase we have yet seen. Scarcity of available land on the periphery of our cities is and will continue to be an increasing problem.

Housing for Minority Groups

Political and social pressures for improving our housing supply available to minorities have been building up steadily for the last few months and show every indication of continuing. We all know that the scarcity of sites and the lack of mortgage money are the two major hindrances to the realization of a well-balanced housing supply. Scarcity of building sites can be solved only through education of the community and scarcity of mortgage money will require similar education of lenders. Above and beyond this is the fact that we must have increased public understanding of the problem and need for its solution. NAHB President Hughes has already suggested that builders and lenders devote at least 10 per cent of their effort to minority housing in the year ahead.

Labor

The increased number of calls which the NAHB labor department had received from open shop areas for advice and counsel on labor matters within recent months is an indication that organized labor intends to expand its sphere of influence in the residential construction field. Areas already organized certainly show few signs of either softer demands or any lessening of labor pressure for higher wages.

Sharpening Up Financing Tools

Although the Housing Act of 1954 was the most extensive rewriting of housing legislation in 20 years, a number of modifications to the act appear essential.

Among them is the liberalizing of the conventional loan pattern which has already been proposed to the Home Loan Bank Board. Plans to permit federal savings and loan associations to make loans at 90 per cent of value and to increase their amortization terms to 30 years are now under consideration. Continued good supply of mortgage money which appears in the offing will tend to force conventional loans into a more liberal pattern.

There are a number of inequalities in the FHA provisions of the law, several of which were over-cautious results of the investigation. Limitations on the use of the new sections 220 and 221 for slum rehabilitation and urban renewal should be carefully reviewed by the Congress and the administrative agencies if these programs are to meet the need for which they were designed. The FHA appraisal and warranty requirement may also require some modification. The log-jam in the processing of FHA and VA applications will require both administrative streamlining and more adequate budgets.

Rehabilitation, Urban Renewal

There is a great need for general understanding in communities throughout the nation of the requirements of the HHFA urban renewal program and the methods by which an attack on urban blight may be launched. This is a great new program in which builders will have the very important task of actually undertaking to re-establish housing. No amount of talk or plans will accomplish this job. The unspectacular, unromantic business of tearing out and replacing rotten sills, modernizing kitchens and bathrooms, fixing roofs and painting up older structures must be carried on by those in the industry who are best qualified to do the job.

Building Public Acceptance

While the FHA investigation was going on, many in the industry feared that the great strides which had been made in the last few years in building public acceptance of FHA would be destroyed. In general, this has not proved true. The American public understands that only a small percentage of the industry and, in fact, of the FHA was involved in any of the criticism. The public realizes that only Title I and the defunct rental housing program were under attack.

Public relations, like charity, begins at home. The best public relations for an individual or for an industry is a job well done—in our case, the building of an honest product.

The NAHB public relations program in the coming months will be designed to point out to the prospective consumer that today's home is a good value; that the model which is being offered by local builders is better designed, better equipped, and more attractive than anything so far made available. We will undertake to show more of the public how the typical family of modest means can afford to buy a home. With no sign of declining costs, many of those who had decided to "wait and see" are now coming into the market. The individual builder and the local association should do everything possible in their public relations endeavors to point out to the custome that a member of the association is reliable, is reputable, and can be dealt with in confidence.

Legislative Outlook

Democratic control of the 84th Congress, as we see it, is not likely to alter drastically the legislative housing picture. It is expected there will be a 1955 housing bill, but of less impact on the economy than the 1954 version.

Public housing will again be urged by members of both parties. There will be a drive for increased direct construction of military housing. There is some indication that the so-called middle-income housing bill which contemplated extensive direct lending by the Government will again be proposed. It is predicted that there will be some changes within the FHA statute. Proposals to amend the Taft-Hartley law and to alter certain phases of the internal revenue code will undoubtedly be made. Both are subject to considerable political pressures.

General complexon of the Congress tends to the middle of the road philosophy. The narrow margin of Democratic control, plus the political split between the Administration and the Congress make unlikely any major legislative changes in housing in 1955.
Day, Johnson Named to High FHA Positions

The revamped Federal Housing Administration has added two assistant commissioners to its headquarters staff and created the post of director of examination and audit in an effort to improve efficiency of its operations during the present period of peak activity.

New assistant commissioner for operations is Henry M. Day, 50, who came to Washington from Salt Lake City where he had been serving FHA as Utah state director. Heads of the home mortgage, multi-family housing, home modernization and repair, and property management divisions will report to Day directly, while the 75 field offices of the agency will report through the five regional directors.

Assistant commissioner for programs is Thomas F. Johnson, 34, who transferred from the Chamber of Commerce of the United States where he edited the monthly newsletter, "Economic Intelligence," and engaged in economic research. His new job calls for supervision of FHA research, statistical and program divisions.

Named director of examination and audit was Charles S. Mattoon, 55, to supervise the division bearing that name and to see that field operations maintain conformance with prescribed policies and standards. He was formerly on the staff of the Federal Civil Defense Administration.

After announcing the changes in the FHA line-up, Commissioner Norman P. Mason said: "Under our new organizational set-up, we are fixing responsibility all the way along the line... The new organization establishes a checks-and-balance system to safeguard FHA programs against possible abuses."

Home Builder Contest Offers Vacation Trips

Vacation trips to Europe, Bermuda, Mexico or Hawaii await the winners of a nationwide contest for home builders just announced by the Carr, Adams & Collier Company. Awards will be based on photographs of interesting installations of the company's Bilt-Well window or cabinet units in remodeled or new construction. Entry blanks will be distributed at its display booths (575-576, Sherman Hotel) during the National Association of Home Builders convention in Chicago January 16-20.

Grand prize of the competition will be a 26-day trip to Europe for the winning builder and his wife (or two other people). Other awards, spread among Eastern, Midwestern and Western regions, will include 10-day trips to Bermuda for two couples, eight-day trips to Mexico for two couples and a 10-day trip to Hawaii for one couple.

The contest will extend from January through October 31 and winners will be announced at the NAHB convention and exposition in January, 1956. Edward G. Gavin, editor of American Builder, will serve on the panel of judges.

City Building Wages Up 10¢ an Hour in '54

Wage scales of union building trades workers in cities of 100,000 population or more advanced an average of 10 cents an hour during the year ending July 1, 1954, reports the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The survey covered about 82 per cent of 1,050,000 workers. Average hourly scale for journeymen last July was $2.99; bricklayers topped the list at $3.39.

Registration Up 25 Per Cent for NAHB Sessions

As late as mid-December, advance registration for the 11th annual convention of the National Association of Home Builders was still 25 per cent ahead of the comparable time last year, according to Paul S. Van Auken, director of the big builder show to be held Jan. 16-20 in the Conrad Hilton and Sherman Hotels, Chicago.

Open meetings will begin Monday, January 17, but NAHB officers and standing committee members will convene as early as January 12. Exhibition halls, with over 350 exhibitors, will be open daily, starting Sunday, January 16. The tentative program appears on page 276.

Two days before the convention committee was to meet in Dayton, Ohio, December 1-2, members were shocked to learn of the death of Henry F. Fett, their chairman for the past two years. Fett, Detroit area builder who had recovered from a heart attack last summer, collapsed and died while leaving a meeting of the Builders Association of Metropolitan Detroit. A former NAHB regional vice president, director and member of its executive and legislative committees, "he was extremely conscientious about his responsibilities as convention chairman, as he had been with every job he had ever undertaken for the association," Van Auken said.

The convention director said committee members were grateful they could call on Joseph B. Haverstick to take over as chairman and carry the show to a successful conclusion. Dayton builder Haverstick, who filled in for Fett, is a former chairman.

Savings & Loan League Elects Edgerton

J. Howard Edgerton, president of the California Federal Savings & Loan Association, Los Angeles, was elected president of the United States Savings & Loan League at its recent annual meeting. He succeeded Ralph R. Crosby of Providence, R.I. Elected vice president was Walter H. Dreier, president of the Union Federal Savings & Loan League and former president of the Savings & Loan League of Indiana.

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A five-point plan to obtain "badly needed statistics on construction activity" has been submitted to the Department of Commerce (Dept. of Commerce) with a request for suggestions which might improve or modify the program. The plan would:

1. Improve new construction activity estimates by getting more information from primary sources, instead of secondary as has been necessary heretofore.
2. Collect information on "fix-up" expenditures by direct field surveys in various construction fields (residential, commercial, industrial, farm, etc.).
3. Conduct semi-annual surveys of vacancies in metropolitan areas as a check on the housing market.
4. Conduct material-use surveys to measure the volume of all kinds of materials used in construction, because current information is "relatively vague."
5. Completely revise the building materials production index to include items not now used, such as window glass, asphalt tile, aluminum products, etc.

Walter W. Schneider, chief of construction statistics of BDSA's building materials and construction division, presented the proposed program at a meeting attended by 34 representatives of building material and construction condominium and trade associations.

Schneider estimated that about 35 per cent of present new construction figures "are unfortunately of uncertain value." He added that while major residential improvement activities total about $1 billion a year, as estimated from "old system" data, a pilot survey by the Census Bureau indicates the annual figure should be at least $3 billion.

Three Win Awards For Modular Work

Special awards for "persons who have contributed most to modular measure as a means of benefiting the national economy" were presented recently by the American Standards Association to Harold D. Hauf, head of department of architecture, Troy, N. Y.; C. E. Silling, architect of Charleston, W. Va., and C. W. Kraft, president of Kraftile Company, Niles, Calif.

Design for Expanded Research in Clay Products

Sketch of national research center being built on a 16-acre Fox River site near Geneva, Ill., to house executive offices and laboratories of the Structural Clay Products Research Foundation. Mid-year completion is scheduled for the two-unit, cavity wall structure, planned by Howard T. Fisher & Associates of Chicago.

DEALER'S VIEWPOINT

By H. R. Northup, Executive Vice Pres., National Retail Lumber Dealers Assn.

'What Are You Planning to Build?' Theme Combines Better Service, Extra Sales

"What are you planning to build?"

That key question, which will be heard more and more in retail lumber yards as dealer salesmen try to give their customers better service and at the same time make extra sales, is the title of a new sound slide film just produced by NRLDA.

The new color film is designed primarily for sales training purposes and will be used both in individual yards and at district meetings held by NRLDA's federated associations.

"What are you planning to build?" is recommended as the important opening question to ask the customer who comes in and inquires about the price of 2 x 4's or plywood or some other material. The answer gives the salesman the information he needs to make sure the customer buys the right amount of the right materials for the job and also gives the salesman the facts he needs to be sure he sells all of the materials needed to complete the finished job.

Help Sell Right Material

Until he knows just what the customer plans to do with the material, the salesman can't be sure that he is selling the customer the right size or grade of material, or the right quantity, or that the material requested actually is suitable for the purpose the customer has in mind.

The film also points out that the salesman who finds out exactly the sort of work the customer is considering may convert mere curiosity into a highly profitable sale.

Aside from offering to help the customer plan his project, the salesman who knows what the customer is planning to build can quote attractive monthly payments which may make a large job seem much more feasible to the customer.

Buyer Will Do More Building

The new film also recognizes the fact that, as soon as the public learns that a lumber yard will handle or arrange all of the details connected with a building problem, large or small, home owners and other customers will do more building. The inconvenience of having to work out details with a carpenter, mason, painter, banker, and contractor, as well as a lumber yard, has discouraged many a home improvement job in the past.

Dealers who are looking for more business will find that a lot of it will come in when their salesmen start asking "What are you planning to build?" and then handle their sales skillfully from that point on.

'53 HHFA Report Ready

Annual report for 1953 of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, a 424-page book (Government Printing Office, $1.25) is now on record. It lists all activities of HHFA, Federal Housing Administration, Public Housing Administration and Home Loan Bank Board.
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Best of all, this all-new top costs not a penny more than out-of-date surfaces. Be wise, be sure, buy UNITED - sell UNITED!

HOME-PLANNER ENDORSED

Noted Decorator Ellen Lehman McCluskey praises UNITED, "Here's a work-surface that's not only attractive, but practical! UNITED LIFETIME beautifies a kitchen."

Ellen L. McCluskey
Here’s a unique marketing service designed to serve builder-buyers… and at the same time, perform a valuable selling function for you as an advertiser. This service function PLUS its high reader appeal makes it an ideal medium for reaching… and SELLING the light construction industry… the world’s BIGGEST market! And it’s one way of getting the greatest return (in sales) out of your advertising dollars.

Plan NOW to give AMERICAN BUILDER’s 1955 Marketing Service issue TOP consideration on your 1955 advertising schedule. Here’s a real opportunity for effective, multiple sales contacts… reaching builder-buyers at the most opportune time — when they’re in a buying frame of mind. And be sure to tell your story BIG — with catalog-type advertisements plus plenty of 1, 2 and 3-inch display ads in both the Product Listing and Where To Buy It Locally sections.

BUILD BIG SALES… and More of them… by telling builders where to BUY YOUR PRODUCTS LOCALLY!

To further strengthen the tie-in between your dealer listings and your catalog-type display advertising… you may purchase 1, 2 or 3-inch display ads to run adjacent to your dealer listings at a very nominal cost. Each of these display ads can be tailored to fit the particular product classification it appears under. In this way, you tell the builder about your product as well as Where To Buy It Locally.

There is no better way of getting solid sales impact or maximum reader attention than by using a catalog-type advertisement to give builders additional information and to sell them on the advantages of using your product. Builders are always interested in learning how they can do a better job… and save money doing it. Let your catalog-type advertisement tell them how your product helps them accomplish this and you’ve opened the door to sales.
FREE...105 two-line or 210 one-line listings given free to every FULL PAGE advertiser...

As a full-page advertiser, you will be given the opportunity to place your dealer listings in the Where To Buy It Locally section...at NO ADDITIONAL COST to you! 210 one-line listings or 105 two-line listings are yours, absolutely FREE with every full-page of display space placed in this issue. Of course, additional listings may be purchased in either the Where To Buy It Locally or Products Listing section for $2.50 each.

and remember — your advertising will be backed up by this powerful array of editorial features:

- Trends in the building field
- Regional picture plans
- Regional news
- Regional weather forecasts
- Color house
- Blueprint gatefold plan
- New products
- Ask the experts
- Technical guide
- plus a Guide To Reference Material...completely indexed...a continuation of the most extensive, most valuable bibliography concerning building information ever undertaken by a business publication!
ON THE RECORD

THE LOW COST HOUSE. Is the market for it going to dry up?

A CLOSE LOOK at the buying habits of Americans indicates an affirmative answer.

HENRY FORD, it will be remembered, placed the American public on rubber tires of their own when he instituted mass production of the Model T and got its price below three hundred dollars.

ALMOST ANYBODY could afford a new Model T, and millions proved it. But, with the rapid development of intercity and interstate hard roads, higher price cars began to sell by the hundreds of thousands, and improvements in them were so rapid that a brand new phenomenon in American business was developed—the used car business.

SOON THE PUBLIC began to demonstrate more interest in a large, fast, higher powered used automobile than in a new Model T.

HENRY FORD was not caught napping, and the Model T gave way to the Model A. This was a compromise product between low-cost new transportation and the used car market.

IT WASN'T THE ANSWER, and Ford later abandoned any attempt to produce the cheapest car. He designed for competition with two other relatively low-cost cars.

NEW COMPETITION between these three drove all of them to slowly larger and higher price cars, and Ford to the development of a medium price and a luxury car.

TODAY, there is no low-price new car offered by any American manufacturer. Even the low price buyer wants speed, power, style and size in his car.

AND THE SIMPLE merchandising, styling and engineering device of annually offering more appeal in design and new engineering refinements, and thereby keeping the public so style- and comfort-conscious that it willingly trades-in highly serviceable cars every year or two, speeds the consumption of cars by several owners, and then in a few years, the cars go to the graveyard.

PERHAPS it is style more than anything else that has developed annual and biennial trading down of automobiles.

REASON FOR THIS conjecture is the influence of style on the clothing market—both men's and women's. We don't discard clothes because they are worn out. We do it because they are outmoded. And the clothing designers see to it that practically everything we buy becomes outmoded in a year or two.

SO, WE ARE in a continuous process of selling, giving away or throwing away highly serviceable clothing only because it is outmoded.

ALREADY WE ARE BEGINNING to see growing signs of this style-consciousness being applied to home ownership.

IT IS NOT at all unusual for visitors to National Home Week demonstrations to inquire about trading four-year to ten-year-old houses for a new model, and that without much or any stimulation on the part of the builders.

IF THIS TREND is stimulated as it is in the automobile and clothing industries, it could easily mean that in a few years the trade process would place on the market so many excellently built, originally middle-price homes that purchase of a new small house would be uneconomical.

IT CAN BE ARGUED that the present unstimulated trend, if it is yet a trend, is because our economy is still on a controlled inflationary spiral, and that the trader of a relatively new house gets more dollars for his house after four to ten years than he paid for it new.

BUT, THAT is to discount that the buyers are well aware of the fact that these are cheaper dollars, and that spending them for a new house

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Who stands behind your doors?

If they're Mengel Doors, your worries are over. Every Mengel Door is built to meet or exceed the most rigid specifications — is guaranteed in accordance with the Warranty of the National Woodwork Manufacturers Association — is backed by Mengel's long years of experience and "know-how" in the manufacture of doors. Mengel is the world's largest manufacturer of hardwood products — including Mengel Permanized Furniture and Mengel Kitchen Cabinets.

These fine, guaranteed doors are available in three different types, for every kind of job— "Palace or Project". Each is an outstanding value, and is competitively priced. Write for complete information — AIA File No. 19-E-1.
SAVE 25% ON YOUR PURCHASES OF FIREPLACE FORMS (Heat Circulating)

GUARANTEED Highest Quality
The Price Fireplace Heater & Tank Corp. gives you its guarantee that Price Fireplace Units are of highest obtainable quality of materials and workmanship.

EXTRA BENEFITS At No Extra Cost
Features available on no other fireplace form:
1. Ductmakers save hours of mason's time.
2. Expansion channels eliminate troublesome mortar joints.
3. Improved design provides increased heat output.

PROSPECTS FOR YOU—Shall we send you names of those planning to build new homes? Thousands are asking for fireplace information in response to national consumer advertising.

Gentlemen:
Please rush the following information to me:
- Send specifications and price list with builders discounts.
- Send 8½ x 11 book of "100 Fireplace Ideas".
- Send prices on septic tanks.

Name
Street
City
Number of fireplaces used in one year
Number of septic tanks used in one year

PRICE FIREPLACE HEATER & TANK CORP. Buffalo 7, N. Y.

ON THE RECORD

and OFF THE RECORD

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requires more of the same kind of dollars than they received in the sale of the old one.

THERE IS EVERY indication that the almost breath-taking progress in design, construction techniques, materials, equipment, appliances, lighting, heating, air conditioning and all the other elements in house production are making the public more style-conscious than the home building industry realizes.

IT IS A CONDITION that deserves closest attention by home builders.

VERY EASILY it can mean the beginning of the end of the market for new small houses built and styled for low incomes.

IF THERE IS ANYTHING to this, we are already at a point where the builder is taking a long and dangerous chance on anything but the highest quality he can design and build.

THAT MEANS not only keeping up with design trends, but keeping up with and using the newest and best of branded, manufacturer-backed products.

CHARLES R. BYRD, Birmingham, Ala., home builder and realtor took what many thought was a long chance when he purchased unimproved, rough mountain-top real estate for development.

HE WAS ASKED who he thought wanted to live on top of a mountain, and also why he thought people would commute ten or more miles each way daily to and from their work.

CHARLIE BYRD'S ANSWER was to go right ahead and, furthermore, to design and build modernly styled front-to-back split levels that hug the mountain-top and sides with a minimum or absence of excavation and blasting.

BIRMINGHAMITES confirmed his judgment by buying as many as he can build.

HE'S THE KIND of pioneer that built the old America and is starting to build the new one.
See How HOTPOINT Sells Homes TODAY with Tomorrow's Kitchen Dreams

The hottest home "buy-appeal" today is an ultra-modern "kitchen of tomorrow" of sparkling beauty and originality. And now you can really cash in on it—with the new Hotpoint Customline!

The versatile, new Hotpoint Customline gives you complete flexibility, the widest choice of cooking and step-saving arrangements, plus uncompromised quality. Your imagination is the only limit!

Yes, now you can sell with custom built-in kitchen designs that offer true individuality, custom-styled and personalized to suit space and taste requirements.

Drop in during the NAHB Convention and let us demonstrate how you can now put a new "SELL" in your homes with the exciting, new Hotpoint Customline!

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Carl Olson of Oh-Kay Builders shoved a blueprint across the desk to his partner Oscar Knudson, leaned back in his chair and scratched his head. "You know 'Oss,'" he said, "our last houses aren't selling so good. We got to do something about the next twenty we're going to put in at the far end of the tract."

There is the problem . . . twenty houses to be built, with only so much money to be spent on each. How can Oh-Kay Builders cut costs, or hold the line on costs, and make their houses sure-fire sellers?

Should Carl and Oscar spend the money for a full-sized dining room instead of a patio?

Would another bedroom give the house more sales appeal?

Should they go back to basements?

If so, should the basement have an outside entrance?

Would a powder room do the trick?

How about more appliances in the kitchen?

What kind of windows?

Should it have a carport or a garage?

Maybe a fireplace is what they want?

Readers will find the answers to these and many other questions in American Builder's new House Design-Trends Pre-Search Reports, beginning next month in the February issue. In these reports, home owners (and people in the industry who are in a position to know) will tell what they will want in the houses builders are going to erect for them. They also will tell what they don't like in present houses, including the ones they now own. Because of the fact that American Builder now is published in three regional editions, and because its editors and researchers are close to building trends in different parts of the country, these reports will cover regional variations, style trends and changes in demand.

Keeping in touch with style trends, in building as well as other major industries, often means the difference between a highly saleable house and one that is hard to sell . . . the difference between profit and loss.
House Went to Market

Here's how it will be done:

Up in northern Minnesota is a spot where sightseers and tourists can step across a tiny creek. This is the source, the beginning of the mighty Mississippi River. These same tourists wouldn't think of trying the same thing at the Twin Cities, Davenport, St. Louis, or New Orleans. At these points they are amazed at what a tremendous stream it has become. Style trends are like that. They have small beginnings and a source. Some of them grow and become powerful streams. Others dry up at the source because they did not win public acceptance.

American Builder's House Design-Trends Pre-Search will trace changing trends in home design, construction, interior and exterior treatments to their sources, and will present and interpret them to readers as a continuing service. It will present development of trends as they grow and become powerful streams of demand.

In addition to helping builders, this new service will be of inestimable help to dealers, and particularly to manufacturers of building products in planning their new lines, their production, their sales and advertising programs.

Watch for the first House Design-Trends Pre-Search Reports in your February American Builder.

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Pre-Search is a coined word not found in a dictionary. To search is to look for something that already exists. Research sometimes involves conducting experiments to produce something new. Pre-Search involves looking for something that is going to happen . . . changes in design trends and demand that will help builders-dealers-producers make their houses and building products more saleable.
I do not throw ze bull today
I only come here for to say...

TRACY'S PIC-A-DOR
SELLS HOUSES!

How the ladies go for Pic-A-Dor in a new home!
Tracy's sensational Pic-A-Dor brings choice-of-the-rainbow colors and endless decorating possibilities to steel cabinets. Yes, the cabinets themselves are heavy-gauge steel—but the doors can be any material, any color to put tremendous new sales appeal into every house you build. Glass and perforated or solid hardboard doors are available from Tracy. Your supply house can provide any other material—Formica, Marlite, plywood, leatherette, plastics—just name it.

Put Pic-A-Dor in the kitchen... in utility rooms, game rooms, laundries, bars. Use Pic-A-Dor as smart, ultra-modern room dividers. Make the most of it! Pic-A-Dor sells houses!
Better Engineered
Better Made
Better Hardware

CUSTOMER BENEFIT
Here is beauty with function. Steel Casements with muntins omitted create the illusion of a wall of windows. 100% ventilation can be provided.

CUSTOMER BENEFIT
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CUSTOMER BENEFIT
They All Add Up to CUSTOMER BENEFITS
The Sold sign goes up quicker on homes built with CECO Metal Windows, because your customers can easily see the advantages these finer windows offer. Slender muntins mean more light gets in. Tight weather-seal means inclement weather is kept out. And when it comes to beauty, nothing surpasses these functionally designed windows, handsome and then some.

CUSTOMER BENEFIT
Rooms look big as all outdoors with combined CECO-Sterling Aluminum Double Hung and Picture Windows. No painting, no sticking, no warping.

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Winners In American Builder’s 4th

Now in its 7th year, National Home Week’s promotional quality and results reached new heights during the week of Sept. 19 through 26. More people came to see the houses on display, and more sales were made than ever before.

Conceived by American Builder’s editor, Edward G. Gavin, National Home Week has become the perfect medium by which the diversified elements of building and selling a home can be combined into one gigantic, effective promotional and public relations effort. The Week’s good right arm—the Parade of Homes—has given added merchandising impetus to the promotion.

On Nov. 7th American Builder’s fourth annual National Home Week Contest was judged. Entries came from every corner of the United States, and each indicated an increased awareness of and solution to the need for an effective, smooth running, and well organized home-merchandising program. The entries, themselves, were more tastefully and professionally presented than they have been previously. They presented a difficult but stimulating task for the judges to choose this year’s winners.

As one of the judges put it, “It certainly was a wonderful experience to judge these entries because each communicated a genuine enthusiasm for the drama of house building and a profound interest in better living.”

Who the judges were...

Seven judges from varying fields of experience were asked to appraise the entries. They were: Dave Bareuther, real estate editor of the Associated Press, New York City; John Dickerman, executive director, National Association of Home Builders, Washington, D. C.; Gates Ferguson, advertising manager, Celotex Corporation, Chicago; Eldon Fox, advertising manager, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, Minneapolis; J. M. McDonald, vice president, The Buchen Company, Chicago; Robert Morris, general manager, Ponderosa Pine Woodwork, Chicago; and Sumner C. Rider of Rider & Keister, public relations, New York City.

About the NAHB winners...

The judges considered the National Association of Home Builders entries first, judged the entries as to number of members in each group. NAHB organizations having more than 250 members were placed in Group I. Organizations having from 101 to 249 members were judged as Group II and organizations having more than 50 members but less than 100 were judged as Group III.

Group I winner, Seattle Master Builders, entered 100 houses in their combined NHW and Parade of Homes, furnished 55 of them with prices for the houses ranging from $7,900 to $50,000. The group gave awards for the “Best Homes for the Money,” for the “Home with the Best Furnishings,” and for the “Most Distinguished House.” They also gave awards for the best kitchen, bathroom, living room, etc. They made use of an extensive advertising media program, sponsored a beauty contest to select “Miss National Home Week” and “Miss Parade of Homes.”

The result was that Seattle had 400,000 visits to their homes on parade, and a 15-day sales figure reached nearly $8,000,000 with a total of 602 houses sold. Executive secretary for the Seattle Master Builders is John C. Reuter, Builder Albert Balch was the chairman of the National Home Week and Parade of Homes for Seattle.

Runners-up in Group I were the Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Washington, and the Home Builders Association of Dallas.

Washington, D. C.’s Festival of Homes drew 334,750 visits, got extensive coverage from local newspapers. In 1953, 172 houses were sold at a value of $3,018,000. In
Here are the winners in the AMERICAN BUILDER 1954 NATIONAL HOME WEEK Contest—

WINNING NAHB Associations—

GROUP I: Seattle Master Builders
Runners up: Home Builders Assn. of Metropolitan Washington, and Home Builders Assn. of Dallas

GROUP II: Wichita Assn. of Home Builders
Runners up: Utah Home Builders Assn., and Home Builders Assn. of Des Moines

GROUP III: Quad City Assn. of Home Builders
Runner up: Home Builders Assn. of Tyler (Texas)

WINNING Lumber Dealers—

GROUP I: F. D. McKendall Lumber Co.
    Providence, Rhode Island

GROUP II: Ebenreiter Lumber Co.
    Sheboygan, Wisconsin

GROUP III: Keys Planing Mill Corp.
    Bluefield, Virginia—West Virginia

GROUP IV: Seth Lumber Company, Inc.
    Lincolnton, North Carolina

Note: Groupings of Associations were on basis of number of members. Groupings of lumber dealers were on basis of population of towns.

1954's promotion, 947 houses valued at a total of $15.103,000 were sold. James W. Pearson is the executive secretary. Frank Calcara was the National Home Week chairman.

The Home Builders Association of Dallas held two Parade of Homes exhibitions two miles apart—one with eighteen $12,600 to $18,000 houses, 2 "cut away" models—the other with twenty houses valued at $25,000 to $39,000. Sales amounted to $455,550 at the Parade sites alone. The executive secretary for the Dallas Association is Herbert DeShong. Parade of Homes committee chairman was James W. Smith.

Group II winner, The Wichita Association of Home Builders decided that previous houses on display during past National Home Weeks were not unusual or too inspiring, decided to plan a Research Village which would show the latest innovations in house design, construction and materials. They planned a house design competition inviting Wichita architects to enter it. The winning design was built as the "Research House."

Fifteen houses, in all, were shown at Wichita. The Association charged 25 cents admission, asked visitors to register and participate in a housing opinion survey. Wichita sold nearly $7,000,000 in real estate as result of promotion, got 65,000 people to visit the Research Village. Wichita executive secretary is R. G. Langenwalter. Erle W. Jennings was National Home Week chairman.

Runners-up in Group II were the Utah Home Builders Association and the Home Builders Association of Des Moines.

The Utah Home Builders Association had a Parade of Homes, encouraged 53,000 people to come and see their $600,000 display of 22 houses. They sponsored a contest to give away a $18,000 house, had to pick the winner from 30,000 entry blanks. Earl P. Staten is the executive secretary for the Utah group. Richard S. Prows

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NEW removable sash weather strip

Chamberlin Has It!

Now add this new Chamberlin "roll out" weather strip feature to your present line of windows. A "snap in" installation cuts fitting and fabricating costs. A sturdy compressible aluminum strip holds sash weather tight—automatically self-adjusts to frame expansion and contraction to prevent sash creep or drop. No home attention required, ever!

EASY SASH REMOVAL

A simple pressure against the jamb, and the sash will "roll out" for easy cleaning or painting inside the house without removing screens or storm sash.

COMPLETE WEATHER STRIPPING

The head, meeting rail and sill of your unit can be optionally equipped with standard zinc or with snap in bronze or aluminum weather stripping.

OUTSTANDING ADVANTAGES

- Snap in installation
- Automatic self-adjustment to frame contraction or expansion
- No sash creep or drop
- Easy sash removal inside the house
- Sash always weather tight

Another product of Chamberlin's 57 years of engineering and manufacturing experience

FOR DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF OTHER KEWANEE BUILDING PRODUCTS WRITE FOR OUR COMPLETE CATALOG

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NOW ADD THIS NEW CHAMBERLIN "ROLL OUT" WEATHER STRIP FEATURE TO YOUR PRESENT LINE OF WINDOWS. A "SNAP IN" INSTALLATION CUTS FITTING AND FABRICATING COSTS. A STURDY COMPRESSIBLE ALUMINUM STRIP HOLDS SASH WEATHER TIGHT—AUTOMATICALLY SELF-ADJUSTS TO FRAME EXPANSION AND CONTRACTION TO PREVENT SASH CREEP OR DROP. NO HOME ATTENTION REQUIRED, EVER!

EASY SASH REMOVAL

A SIMPLE PRESSURE AGAINST THE JAMB, AND THE SASH WILL "ROLL OUT" FOR EASY CLEANING OR PAINTING INSIDE THE HOUSE WITHOUT REMOVING SCREENS OR STORM SASH.

COMPLETE WEATHER STRIPPING

THE HEAD, MEETING RAIL AND SILL OF YOUR UNIT CAN BE OPTIONALLY Equipped WITH STANDARD ZINC OR WITH SNAP IN BRONZE OR ALUMINUM WEATHER STRIPPING.

OUTSTANDING ADVANTAGES

- SNAP IN INSTALLATION
- AUTOMATIC SELF-ADJUSTMENT TO FRAME CONTRACTION OR EXPANSION
- NO SASH CREEP OR DROP
- EASY SASH REMOVAL INSIDE THE HOUSE
- SASH ALWAYS WEATHER TIGHT

ANOTHER PRODUCT OF CHAMBERLIN'S 57 YEARS OF ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING EXPERIENCE

FOR DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF OTHER KEWANEE BUILDING PRODUCTS WRITE FOR OUR COMPLETE CATALOG
STOP the "SHOPPERS"  THEN YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO SELL THEM

CRAWFORD GARAGE DOORS with CUSTOMIZED DESIGN is one big, dramatic feature that they CAN SEE FROM THE STREET. Then prospects are cruising around their cars, not getting too excited about "shopping" - until they see these stunning CRAWFORD GARAGE DOORS with CUSTOMIZED DESIGN. First, they know they're looking at something DIFFERENT. Then everybody can see them FROM THE STREET. Every home

Crawford MARVEL-LIFT Garage Doors with Customized Design
Here's instantly recognized beauty that helps get a better price for a home!

As little as $56 to $69 invested in even one Plankweld paneled wall creates an impression of quality that helps make a sale. Try it in your model home and see!

The magazines are full of it! Home decorators are using it like never before! What?—real wood paneling of course! After all, what other wall covering material even comes close to matching the natural beauty of real wood paneling such as Plankweld.

Remember, prospects can't always see the hidden qualities you build into a home—they can see Plankweld! Plankweld saves you the time and expense of on-the-job finishing. Twelve painstaking steps are required at the factory to give Plankweld its unusually beautiful and durable finish—it's even waxed! Plankweld is guaranteed for the life of the installation. The 16¼" wide x 8' high panels go up on any dry wall or directly on studs or furring. Special concealed metal clips, included with each package, hide nails.

Plankweld Adds the Custom Touch That Sells, Yet Holds Costs Down!

Whether you are building mansions, project homes or remodeling older homes, Plankweld will give the home an individuality all its own. You have six beautiful woods in both light and dark faces from which to choose. Installed costs are usually little more than for walls using conventional wall covering materials.

See Plankweld at your lumber dealer's soon or visit any of the 73 United States Plywood or U.S.-Mengel Plywoods showrooms in principal cities.

This beautiful birch Plankweld paneled dining area is being featured in Weldwood advertising appearing in The Saturday Evening Post and other leading magazines.

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55 West 44th Street, New York 36, New York
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Perfection quality...
PROJECT-PRICED!

NOW!
8 models!
5 capacities!

COMPARE IT!
- Fast installation. Controls factory-assembled!
- 14-gauge steel combustion chamber—10-year guarantee.
- No expansion noises.
- Converts easily—oil to gas, gas to oil.
- Low Hi-Bay model saves headroom, floor space.
- Silver-tone Brown baked enamel over rust-proofed casing.
- Cool casing, insulated with fiber glass and aluminum foil.

SAVES MONEY FOR YOU... GIVES YOUR BUYERS A FULL DOLLAR'S WORTH!

Perfection quality and guaranteed performance are built in. The frills are out. But home buyers still get all the comfort of modern, automatic heating.

MODELS AND CAPACITIES TO MEET EVERY NEED!
Choose from eight models and five capacities to fit your project requirements...
- 70,000 Btu. Gas-fired Highboy
- 75,000 Btu. Gas-fired Counterflow
- 90,000 Btu. Gas or Oil-fired Highboy
- 95,000 Btu. Gas or Oil-fired Counterflow
- 100,000 Btu. Regular Basement type furnace (oil)
- 100,000 Btu. Regular Basement type furnace (gas)

THERE'S A BIG PLUS FOR YOU!
Perfection cuts complaints and service calls to the bone... eliminates your biggest bugs. Ask your heating contractor about Perfection PROJECT-PRICED furnaces. Perfection Stove Company, 7602-A Platt Avenue, Cleveland 4, Ohio.
Winners in NHW Contest

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was the chairman for National Home Week.

The Home Builders Association of Des Moines displayed 36 houses, drew 80,000 people in 8 days, sold 30 houses and listed 500 "live" customer prospects, thousands of eventual buyers. Des Moines has as its executive secretary, Dave Crenshaw, as its National Home Week chairman, James C. Leverett.

Group III winner, Quad City Association of Home Builders includes members from the cities of Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa and from Rock Island and Moline, Ill. Quad City exhibited 63 houses, had 142,000 in attendance, sold $1,450,000 worth of houses as opposed to sales of $480,000 last year. Quad City estimates that it has 155 future sales as result of promotion. Operating on a very low budget, Quad City estimates that the cost was 2½ cents per visitor to put on its Parade of Homes. Quad City's executive secretary is Harry Ryder. Their National Home Week chairman was William R. Harvey.

Runner up in Group III was the Home Builders Association of Tyler, Texas.

The Home Builders Association of Tyler held its 2nd annual Parade of Homes with more than 20,000 persons visiting the 13 houses on exhibit, including a "People's Choice" house. Plans for the house were suggested by 1,000 Tylerites who registered their wants on ballots at Tyler's home show last March. The executive secretary for Tyler is Gordon J. Neilson. Harold Lawler was the National Home Week chairman.

About the lumber dealer winners ...  

Entries from retail lumber dealers were judged in four groups according to the population of the town in which the lumber dealer operates.

Group I winner, F. D. McKendall Lumber Co., Providence, R. I., directed its National Home Week activities to both builders and home owners, used special banners, floor and window displays, stressed remodeling, new construction. Group demonstrations were staged for builders to better acquaint them with new materials and power tools.

Group II winner, Ebenreiter Lumber Company, Sheboygan, Wis., used a demonstration home built on its lumber yard premises, fully furnished the house, built the house of products sold by firm. The model included ideas that customers had voted as ones they wanted to see in a model house. Ebenreiter plans to have a new model house each year.

Group III winner, Keys Planing Mill Corp., Bluefield, Virginia, and West Virginia, was outstanding in the way it enlisted aid of local churches to help promote better houses, better homes. Sermons from pulpits dealt with the importance of home life, necessity for good homes as part of individual's environment. They also conducted a home essay contest on "What My Home Means To Me" for high school students.

Group IV winner, Seth Lumber Co., Inc., Lincolnton, N. C., sponsored a model house called "Castles In the Air," to help sell home ownership and better living, got cooperation of newspapers to promote interest and used four spot radio announcements each day during the Week. Model house was fully furnished.

Quad City had Parade on low budget, increased sales from $480,000 in 1953 to $1,450,000 in 1954

Seattle used a beauty contest, displayed 100 houses, gave awards for best houses displayed

Wichita charged admission, took housing opinion survey, promoted advanced design in Research Village
You, the men who build, decorate and sell homes should know why

GOLD SEAL® INLAID LINOLEUM

IS A SALES BOOSTER!

Today's top builders say the decorating trend is to basic, ready-to-live-with, smooth-surface floors all through the home. Influential home magazines are pushing this trend, editorially. Congoleum-Nairn helped establish this trend...will continue to promote it the big way: advertising Gold Seal Floors and Walls in LIFE, LOOK, BETTER HOMES & GARDENS! That's why you should know all about the best and best-known "basic" floor of them all:

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Specifications: Standard gauge: 6' wide by-the-yard, 79 patterns. 9" x 9" tiles, 44 patterns. For installation over suspended wood and concrete sub-floors. Exclusive, SuperFlex* back permits direct application to smooth wood sub-floors. Also ½" gauge, butlap back for heavy traffic areas. Gold Seal Ranchtile® Linoleum in 9" x 9" tiles, standard gauge, is the only inlaid linoleum guaranteed for installation over on-grade concrete...with or without radiant heat. Easiest to clean of all resilient floors.

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GOLD SEAL FLOORS AND WALLS
CONGOLEUM-NAIRN INC., KEARNY, N. J.
BLUEPRINT HOUSE

This house

Getting to the outdoor terrace from the bedroom is easy

THE COMPLETE HOUSE TECHNIQUE is used by Donald J. Scholz, Toledo, Ohio, builder. It begins with design control from the drawing board right up to, and including, rugs on the floor and drapes for the windows. This new trend minimizes the interval of confusion in new communities after the owner moves in.
Sales continue to mount for this midwestern builder. During the last quarter of 1954, when Toledo was adversely affected by the slow-down of the automotive industry, Scholz was hard pressed satisfying the ever-increasing demand for his new houses.

What makes this man and his product click? We think it all boils down to the simple rule of giving a better than average value for a low price. Building for $10.60 a square foot in an area where high labor costs prevail is a real accomplishment.

How was this done? Only by seeking a new and better way to do each job, with the end result a saving in time and material.

The following is a typical example. Always a headache in preparing for pouring the floor slab was the securing of metal heat ducts with wires attached to stakes driven into the ground over the slab area. It also meant that the stakes were driven through the moisture barrier, thus dissipating much of its value. This was done to keep the pipes from floating during the pouring.

Scholz had a special concrete block made with the top side curved to conform to the diameter of the duct. These blocks are spaced at regular intervals under the ducts and wired to them. They also separate the ducts from the barrier, permitting an unretarded flow of concrete around the ducts, thus forming a continuous shell. This method, which is one of many, saved time and produced better results.

In this new model currently on display, the builder has taken some of the features of his earlier models, refined the design and re-used them. An example is the large glass wall and gable end in living and dining room. The sandwich-type roof of the former models has disappeared.
The fireplace and its position at the intersection of the living-dining room helps make this area sparkle with interest. The opening is framed with a band of Bedford stone on top and sides, with random field stone used for the panel and the raised hearth. The surrounding walls are faced with vertical redwood and is now replaced with standard rafters and spacings.

The basic plan of this house is a rectangle with the garage-playroom attached at the side. This makes an L-shaped house which lends itself well to exterior treatment and varying lot sizes.

In the layout of the rooms, the house literally turns its back to the street, with the living portions to the rear and the quiet area to the front. The entry is located at the inside corner of the ell. There is circulation to all rooms from this point.

This house also boasts two complete baths, with one having direct access to the entry. The extension of the entry into the garage to form a planter visible from the street is one of the features of the design.

In setting up the garage area as a combination laundry, play- and workroom, the builder assumes that the car will occupy this space less than eight hours each day. Consequently, the multiple use is justified. Details of construction that make possible this kind of use is shown by the large windows in the rear wall, built-in cupboards and the laundry equipment. Added storage space between the ceiling and the roof of garage is accessible from open end.

In the design and planning of this house everything conforms to modular units, both vertically and horizontally. This simplified type of construction employs standard wall components, assembled window and door units, precut roof framing and standard roof panels.

The generous use of stone skirting and planters on the exterior add much to the appearance.
A night view of the garden and pool through the all glass gable end of the living room.

The outline of the rear wall of the house is clearly framed in another night scene from the garden and pool. With the fence serving as a screen, combined indoor-outdoor living is made possible.

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The kitchen is complete with the latest type built-in equipment. The wall adjoining the living room fireplace contains a built-in oven, refrigerator and a freezer. The metal surface of all three units has a bronze finish which blends well with the adjoining Philippine mahogany finished walls.

The opposite wall of the kitchen has a window which receives reflected light from the garage. The cabinets below the counter form a U-shaped working area with built-in equipment such as a range, dishwasher and sink, all flush with the Formica counter.
# Quantity List of Materials

For American Builder Blueprint House No. 215

Scholz Homes, Inc., Designer

## General Information

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<td>1,258 sq. ft.</td>
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## Excavating

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<td>Trench for foundation</td>
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<td>Chimney and column footings</td>
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<td>11 column footings</td>
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<td>Foundations</td>
<td>270 cu. ft. of poured concrete wall and pier footings</td>
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<td>Concrete work</td>
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<td>Anchor bolts</td>
<td>80 — ½&quot;x1½&quot;</td>
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<td>Waterproofing</td>
<td>1,500 sq. ft. of asphalt membrane and approx. 50 sq. ft. area in planter bed</td>
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<td>45 sq. ft. flagstone area at entry</td>
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<td>Window sills</td>
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<td>Chimney</td>
<td>1'9&quot;x3'9&quot;x1'5&quot;O</td>
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<td>Flue lining</td>
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<td>Fireplace</td>
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<td>Throat and damper</td>
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<td>Lintel</td>
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<td>Flagstone hearth 12 lin. ft. stone curb at living-room planter bed</td>
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## Millwork

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<td>(for doors)</td>
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<td>Exterior doors</td>
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<td>Garage door</td>
<td>1 — 80&quot;x70&quot;</td>
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<td>Lattice</td>
<td>6' high x 12 lin. ft. of 1&quot;x10&quot; board fence</td>
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<td>Interior doors including jamb and trim</td>
<td>All flush 1½&quot; mahogany 9 — 2'6&quot;x6&quot;8&quot;</td>
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<td>2 sets of 3 each sliding doors 2 — 2'0&quot;x6&quot;8&quot;</td>
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<td>1 set of 2 sliding doors 2 — 2'0&quot;x6&quot;8&quot;</td>
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## Special Interior Millwork

1 broom closet plus 2 sets of upper and lower kitchen cabinets
1 set special storage cabinets in garage
1 lavatory cabinet in bathroom

## Carpentry

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<td>Beam and girders</td>
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<td>Foundation plates</td>
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<td>2&quot;x6&quot;x20/0&quot;</td>
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<td>13 pcs.</td>
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<td>Joists for garage storage</td>
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<td>2&quot;x6&quot;x12/0&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bridging for ceiling over bedrooms</td>
<td>3 — 108 lin. ft. 1&quot;x4&quot;</td>
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<td>Studding and plates</td>
<td>48 — 2&quot;x4&quot;x16/0</td>
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<td>100 — 2&quot;x4&quot;x8/0</td>
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<td>1000 sq. ft. 25/32&quot; thick insulating sheathing board</td>
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<td>73 sheets 4&quot;x0&quot;x6/0</td>
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<td>1,236 sq. ft. total</td>
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<td>Sidewall sheathing</td>
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<td>Ceramic tile 77 sq. ft.</td>
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<td>Exterior materials</td>
<td>½&quot; gypsum, 500 sq. ft. required</td>
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<td>Eaves</td>
<td>250 lin. ft. 1&quot;x8&quot; cornice,</td>
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<td>350 ft. 1&quot;x4&quot;x4&quot; and mouliding;</td>
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<td>250 lin. ft. 1&quot;x4&quot;x4&quot; screened venting</td>
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## Insulation

144 lin. ft. of 24" wide by 1" thick Fiberglas perimeter insulation
1,600 sq. ft. medium thick Fiberglas roof and ceiling insulation
1,000 sq. ft. medium thick Fiberglas wall insulation

## Sheet Metal

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<td>24 squares of 300&quot; asphalt shingles</td>
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<td>10 squares of 45&quot; cap sheet</td>
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## Interior Walls

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<td>Area to be covered</td>
<td>Walls 3,500 sq. ft. of ½&quot; gypboard</td>
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<td>Ceilings 1,600 sq. ft. of ½&quot; gypboard plus special ribbed glass ceiling over baths and ceramic tile window in baths</td>
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*This quantity list will be subject to variation depending on the common practices in various sections and municipalities of the country, the techniques of individual builders, the types of materials available locally and cost factors. The list published here is a suggested one, complete enough so that it can be used in arriving at a reasonably accurate estimate of the quantities and cost of materials that will be required to complete the structure. It was prepared by experts at the Edward Hines Lumber Co, Chicago.*
This is how the complete house is built . . .

All the horizontal, vertical and roof framing members are based on a four-inch unit of measurement

. . . It starts with modular planning

After the concrete work is in place, the wall panels are laid on the slab in their approximate positions. The job of erecting the panels is then quickly accomplished

The sliding window panel assembly comprises two units of 4 by 8 feet each. The window unit includes the top header member, top plate and intermediate cripples. The lower unit consists of regularly spaced studs.
The horizontal component of the roof load is so low that it is unnecessary to make a birds-mouth cut on the rafters at the ridge. This is replaced with a continuous plate bevelled on the top surface to conform to the roof slope which is indicated on the drawing and photo.

The top plate at eave line is bevelled in the same manner as above. The plate is cut at the mill and is installed in this way, reducing site labor time. This method encourages the use of inexperienced men because the rafter cutting job is omitted. On pitches of 3-12 or under the load is figured to be transmitted vertically.

A hip roof effect is obtained on the lower part of the front gable end by using an assembled hip skirt. This skirt ties into a header member which is nailed to the side of the third rafter of the main roof. The hip skirt rafters are all made the same length. The gable end is framed on the hip skirt, using the same bevelled plate but reversed in position to bear on top of the hip skirt.
It frames quickly and well...

The structural profile of the house is clearly outlined by the window openings...

...and adjusts to the indoor outdoor look.

The framing starts with the 2x6-inch plate which is placed around the perimeter of the house after the foundation is poured. This is shown in the drawing above. The plate is shimmed and levelled to form a true guide for pouring the floor. Top surface of the plate is flush with the finished concrete. The portion of the plate that extends beyond the inside face of the wall studs is used as a nailing surface for the carpets. Balance of the wall is erected as a series of modular units.

Framing of the roof and ceiling is done in the conventional manner except in the living-dining and kitchen area where the ceiling follows the slope of the roof. Time saving devices, such as joist hangers and metal bridging, are used throughout. A 16-gauge steel strap is used to connect rafters as shown in photo above.
The framing for the fronts of the back to back closets is installed after the closet unit, which is made in the mill, is set up on the job. These are simple box assemblies containing shelves and shoe racks. The metal track for sliding doors is attached to the header before it is put in place.

The moisture barrier, heating ducts and the 2x6 wood plate around the wall are shown in place preparatory to pouring the slab. The slab is poured to level with the top face of the plate. The close up view shows the new method employed by Scholz to keep the heating ducts from floating during the pouring of the slab. The concrete blocks, with the top face curved to the contour of the pipes, are wired to these ducts at regular intervals. The blocks also provide a space between moisture barrier and the ducts, thus allowing the concrete to flow freely and form a continuous shell.

The screened vent in the soffit of the roof overhang consists of a 1x4-inch continuous member, which is built in the mill and then placed in position on the job. Slots are cut in this member at regular intervals and screened on the top side with copper screening.
Neighborhood well-being. Three or four models, fully landscaped, are finished for exhibition as a group. Nobody has to imagine what the new neighborhood will look like. A model group is always on exhibition, all year around. Scholz holds lots to a minimum frontage of 75 feet (most are wider), carefully orients each house for maximum privacy and sunny exposures.

To the eye of the buyer...

complete house merchandising looks like this

A landscaping plan. The landscape architect employed by the builder is connected with a nursery and works up a landscaping plan for each house. Since this planning is done on the basis of groups of houses, the average package price for shrubs will run from only $125 to $200, depending on the soil and size of the particular lot. This cost is included in the base price of the house.

All kitchen appliances are in the package mortgage if a buyer wants it that way. And who wouldn't, with a kitchen styled as neatly as this one, in Philippine mahogany where "right" appliances are half the effect and effi-
Don Scholz of Toledo sells his houses fast because he knows from experience that the more complete the package offered the buyer, the easier it is to sell. Each house is presented as a basic package complete in itself but to which can be added several additional layers of completeness for certain fixed amounts. All the buyer has to do is to decide which degree of completeness suits his situation best. In each model house is posted an analysis of that house in terms of the basic price and the complete package. Here's a sample:

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3-view mirror in bathroom The end panels swing forward by touchlatch action. They conceal twin medicine cabinets. Luminous bathroom ceiling is made by screening fluorescent tubes with panels of Corrulux which rest on a grid made of 1 by 3's. Built-in clothes hamper in vanity is a surprise item. This and all other cabinet work in the house is done in the Scholz Homes shop.

In complete house merchandising . . . the sparkle of new ideas catches the buyer's eye . . . holds his attention.

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Young Modern Model
$19,950 Base Price
includes lot and complete landscaping
$3,950 Down 0% F.H.A.
$1,000 Down 0% V.A.
Bigelow carpet as shown $535 Adm.
Drape package as shown $320 "
Scholz air conditioning $695 "

In support of model house exhibition, Scholz uses a close-hauled advertising program which concentrates on Sunday newspaper display ads and TV spots. The display ads focus the spotlight on the new neighborhood (not on the builder) and particularize the story by running a photograph of the house selected for featuring that week, including price and financing data.

Just before a new group of models is opened, newspaper columnists are supplied with full information, and a preview party is arranged for key people from the city's building department, from lending institutions, newspapers, radio, and television studios.

Scholz uses a 10-minute news telecast on Saturday nights at 10 p.m., three minutes of which are given to the showing of pictures of the Scholz houses with a running commentary about them. This costs $180 a week and has proved its punch as a sales booster.

A garage that can be almost anything The glass wall on its terrace side opens up the garage attractively as playroom, workshop, laundry, and/or entertainment center. Storage space, too, is in the picture in a fresh way. About one-third of the ceiling is left open, while the remaining ceiling is normal, making a loft which accommodates some 340 cubic feet of storage . . . Built-in cupboards along one wall have touchlatch action, counter in center for work space.
California contemporary for 1955

SEE THE NEW MODELS IN CHICAGO

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Made of completely inert materials, Flexboard won't rot, rust or burn. It is hydraulically re-pressed for extra strength and toughness.

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'Concrete bent' construction enters the housing field

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This is how it is put together—

Concrete footings, 21 x 21 x 12, are spaced every 10 ft on center along building's perimeter. Bents are anchored to footing with heavy bolts.

Crane and four men raised the entire concrete bent structural system and the roof slabs in 12 hours. Others shown in the photograph are VIP's.

Workman tightens tie rod connecting bottoms of the bents. This relieves thrust on footing and anchor bolts. Footing takes only vertical load.

One bent is in place and the second one has been started. Bents are three hinge arch with points of arch at each footing and top center where the two members join.
This year's National Home Week show-stopper in the Knoxville, Tenn., Parade of Homes was a forward-looking "concrete bent" house. A complete departure from standardized materials and construction, it was not, however, an attempt at the unusual, but a plan to achieve better architecture at lower cost for fireproof construction. This long has been a dream of Millard R. Warren, vice president and general manager of Southern Cast Stone Co. of Knoxville, and one of the country's leaders in concrete masonry techniques.

Collaborating in the venture was Knoxville builder Martin L. Bartling, Jr., head of NAHB's Construction Committee. Beyond engineering problems, Bartling saw the need for a vastly different design approach and called upon Architect Bruce McCarty, also of Knoxville.

Until now, most fireproof construction had been in the flat roof category. With the bent, and its special connections designed by Warren, the architect now has far greater design possibilities.

Bent construction is not new. Thousands are using it in heavy construction. However, concrete bent application design is a forward step in the housing field.

**MASONRY MANUFACTURER:**
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Knoxville, Tenn.

**BUILDER:**
Martin L. Bartling, Jr.
Knoxville, Tenn.

**ARCHITECT:**
Painter, Weeks & McCarty
Knoxville, Tenn.
Temporary 2x4 spacer holds bent to correct distance for positioning of roof slabs

Only one more channel roof slab remains to be installed to complete first section

This photograph details the eave treatment. Note the bent, pre-cast channel slab roof, non-bearing exterior wall, and the glass area above

Architecture has plus

Conforming to a rigid module seemed to have a stifling influence on flexibility and appearance at first, but as the masonry-builder-architect team progressed with the project, interesting new architectural patterns and features began to take shape.

Exposed structural members, inside and out, captured imaginations of the 60,000 Knoxville citizens who inspected the house. Exposed undersides of the precast channel roof deck slabs were enhanced in appearance by leaving \( \frac{3}{4} \) of an inch space be-

Concrete bent shell costs

$2.90 per square foot

Here are Builder Bartling’s figures, including labor and materials, for the shell of the house:

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features at no added premium

tween slabs, creating a shadow line. This added sound deadening qualities because of the pan effect. Varying ceiling heights, glass in the gables and glass between rooms added to the feeling of spaciousness.

The concrete block, an inexpensive building material, also provided plus features. A "luxury look" was attained by blending the block with a warm appearing wood. Outdoor living brought indoors through the skillful use of glass and color also caught the visitor's eye.

have many shapes

- Butterfly Cantilever
- Gable Roof
- Flat Oval
- Gable Roof
- Flat Roof
- Combination Units

House has 3250 square feet under roof with approximately half of this area devoted to outdoor living and the carport. Visitors were particularly impressed by the outdoor living areas. House has good circulation, well defined living zones.
KITCHEN CENTER component: combines clothes washer-dryer, garbage disposer, sink, range, automatic dishwasher with storage drawer

With These 3 Built-in Components

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The trend to the more economical component system of house construction—fabricated trusses, wall panels and storage units that can be assembled easily and quickly on the site—has pointed up the need for similar mass production “packaging” of costly utility parts of the house.

Illustrated on these pages is General Electric Company’s newest answer for the kitchen—three built-in components developed by the Louisville Appliance Division. These combine all major homemaking functions without sacrificing design flexibility.

Basic component in the GE scheme is the “electric kitchen center,” an 8’6”-foot stainless steel surfaced unit that consists of a combination clothes washer-dryer, range with four flush mounted cooking units, sink, garbage disposer and dishwasher. Other features include: one-control faucet mounted in a beveled backsplash behind the sink; portable appliance plug-in panel with four receptacles; pull-out cutting board; light storage compartment in the sink. Individual appliances in the “center” pull out separately for easy servicing and replacement.

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All three components are available in white and in five of GE’s new mix and match colors—turquoise green, canary yellow, petal pink, cadet blue or woodtone brown.

TURN THE PAGE FOR MORE DETAILS
Built-in Kitchen Components

Detail above shows how refrigerator-freezer combination is mounted securely to wall. Photo inset at left illustrates food storage capacity and arrangement of the built-in wall unit. Two cubic foot freezer compartment is at right; two-compartment refrigerator section has eight cubic feet of storage.

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AB15079—KNOTTY CEDAR PLYWOOD—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 565-566—Weyerhaeuser Sales Co., Dept. AB, First National Bank Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn. Heretofore unavailable in plywood form, this new knotty panel surface veneer is made of sliced Western Red Cedar; comes in 4x6, 4x7 and 4x8 panels of 3/4 (3-ply) and 7/8 (7-ply) thicknesses. Clean, unmarred delivery is assured by shipment in special protective cartons.

AB15058—FOLDING STAIRWAY—SHERMAN, BOOTH 524—Precision Parts Corp., Dept. AB, 400 N. First St., Nashville, Tenn. Simplex "balanced action" folding stairway has No. 1 kiln-dried lumber, heavy galvanized steel hardware, steps morticed into runners, all parts secured by bolts and screws. Fits 26x34-inch ceiling opening and comes in two sizes—83" and 99". Parts are interchangeable. Shipped completely assembled.

AB15064—DOWN-FLOW CONDIONER—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 427-428—Janitrol Heating & Air Conditioning Div., Surface Combustion Corp., Dept. AB, Columbus, Ohio. Designed for perimeter screen door, provides light and ventilation like a large window. Unit consists of a 1% or 1% inch wood frame, window insert of galvanized steel finished in baked-on enamel, twin-sliding glass panels, and a full-length outside screen which locks in from the inside.

AB15096—COMBINATION DOOR—HILTON, BOOTH 209—The F. C. Rusco Corp., Dept. AB, 111 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. Designed especially for cabinet doors and as counter top bases for plastic laminates, new "Panelply" is made of laminated "Presdwood," comes in 4x8 ft. panels, 3/4 and 3/4 in. thick. Characteristics include excellent screw-holding and clean machining qualities, rigidity, warp-resistance, smooth surfaces.

AB15102—LAMINATED PANEL—HILTON, BOOTHS 36-31—Massite Corp., Dept. AB, 111 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. Designed especially for cabinet doors and as counter top bases for plastic laminates, new "Panelply" is made of laminated "Presdwood," comes in 4x8 ft. panels, 3/4 and 3/4 in. thick. Characteristics include excellent screw-holding and clean machining qualities, rigidity, warp-resistance, smooth surfaces.

AB15089—PACKAGED FIREPLACE—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 436-437—Majestic Co., Inc., Dept. AB, Huntington, Ind. Added to "Thulman" product line is this low-cost fireplace designed to combine with maker's prefabricated chimney. Measuring 33x24 inches over-all with a 20 inch hearth, unit features three casing insulation, can be set on floors of any material. Also available is a hearth extension as an easily attached auxiliary unit.

AB15092—WATER REPELLENT WOOD FINISH—SHERMAN, BOOTH 332—Protection Products Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 2305 Superior Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich. Besides its wood protection qualities, P.A.R. compound is said to provide a non-glossy, natural finish for redwood, mahogany or Western red cedar. Can be used effectively on exterior or interior, is particularly ideal for siding, trim, paneling. One coat usually suffices.

AB15086—CONTEMPORARY HOME—HILTON, BOOTHS 308-309—Pollman Homes, Thayer Mfg. Corp., Dept. AB, 2857 Wayne St., Toledo 9, O. Most recent contemporary styled home is produced in three models ranging from 1056 to 1220 sq. ft. Largest has carport, while two other models have basement but no carport. Right- or left-hand versions are available for two models; each has three bedrooms, front entry hall, snack bar.

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AB L5087 LOW-COST CLOTHES DRYER—Hilton, Booths 382-389

This full-size automatic electric clothes dryer is priced at $149.95. Handling a load of eight pounds of mixed clothing, the unit performs on 110- or 220-volt current, thus reducing installation costs. A companion gas dryer will be on the market shortly for $179.95.

AB15093—PREFABRICATED HOME—Hilton, Booth 374—International Homes, Inc., Dept. AB, 3896 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown, Ohio. Designed for the growing family, new "Space-Saver" series includes 2- and 3-bedroom models that are expandable to 4 and 5 bedrooms. All models have permanent stairway to unfinished 2-bedroom area above. "Space Saver" series includes carports, garages, breezeways as optional items.

AB15044—ANTIQUE COPPER BUILT-IN RANGE AND OVEN—Sherman, Booth 470—Chambers, Dept. AB, 2464 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind. The "In-a-Wall" oven and "In-a-Top" broiler-burner unit, shown above are in a new antique copper finish which will not tarnish, discolor, crack, or craze, can be cleaned with soap and water. Adaptable to many architectural settings, new finish is also available in other units.

AB15069—GLASS DOORWALL—Hilton, Booth 371—Steelbuilt Inc., Dept. AB, 1800 N. Figueroa St., Gardenia, Calif. Continuous channel weatherstrip system in new "Gardenia" series of sliding glass doorwalls is illustrated above. Cutaway of bottom rail of sliding section shows how bottom roller and track are encased by mohair channel. "Gardenia" series includes 2, 3, and 4-panel models, all 6' 10" high, for openings 6 to 16 feet wide.

AB15045—ROLL-RIM LAVATORY—Hilton, Booth 350—Richmond Radiator Co., Dept. AB, P. O. Box 111, Metuchen, N.J. Called the "Countess," this built-in lavatory has a 20x18" bowl, concealed front overflow, anti-splash rim, recessed soap dishes, and is made of vitreous china. Produced for combination or centerpiece fitting, unit comes in "White-White" or seven pastel colors to harmonize with any bathroom decor.

AB15068—YEAR 'ROUND CONDITIONER—Sherman, Booths 512-513—A. O. Smith Corp., Dept. AB, Box 584, Milwaukee 1, Wis. Air conditioner-furnace package has a number of flexible features. Unit can be installed for heating only with either 2- or 3-ton cooling added later; these fit interchangeably by merely sliding into place. Oil or gas models are available with the oil-fired unit readily convertible to gas.

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AB15041—RED BIRCH KITCHEN CABINETS—HILTON, BOOTHS 341-342—Precisionware Inc., Dept. AB, 93 Court St., Brooklyn 2, NY. Precisionware announces its Red Birch cabinets. Only Red select Birch is used for doors, frames. No coloring is added. Cabinets shown were supplied to Morton Village, L. L., one of largest private home projects. Built-in oven, ranges are also featured.

AB15046—CONVERTIBLE JET SHALLOW-DEEP WELL WATER SYSTEM—SHERMAN—BOOTH 480—Barnes Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Mansfield, Ohio. The Barnes "Econovert" (economy plus convertibility) water system is available in 1/2 and 1/2 hp, sizes works in shallow or deep wells. Installed in a shallow well, if well water level drops, no extra pumping accessories are necessary. Capacity: 33 gph. Depth: to 80 ft.

AB15048—NEW FIBERGLAS BUILDING PANEL—SHERMAN—BOOTH 497—Alysonite Company of America, Dept. AB, 655 De Soto St., San Diego 9, Calif. The new "Steplog" panel, shown here, is the latest addition to Alysonite's line of translucent fiberglas building panels. Sheets are especially engineered for outdoor overhead use and feature a perfected fastening surface in the design. Available in a full range of colors.

AB15047—COPPER SANITARY DRAINAGE SYSTEMS—HILTON, BOOTHS 145-146—The American Brass Company, Dept. AB, 25 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y. Anaconda Type M Copper Tubes, shown above with use of circular torch to make solder joint, are in 1/2-in. and larger sizes for soil, waste, vent lines, are in hard-drawn, 20-ft. length, for assembly with cast bronze drainage fittings in elbows, tees, Y-branches, etc.

AB15049—EQUIPMENT FOR GLIDING WINDOWS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 406—Allmetal Weatherstrip Company, Dept. AB, 2241 N. Knox Ave., Chicago 39, Ill. All-Glide equipment for removable horizontal gliding windows permits use of stock windows eliminates special millwork. Sash glide on round-top tracks of extruded sill, having adequate weep holes, drip pan. Flexible bronze pressure strip is weatherstrip.

AB15071—FABRIC WALL COVERING—SHERMAN, BOOTH 440—Standard Coated Products Inc., Dept. AB, Buchanan, N. Y. Very French third dimensional is "Deauville", one of the newest patterns in the SuperSANITAS line of washable coated fabric wall coverings. Creating a striking tufted effect, it comes pre-trimmed, 24 inches wide in four color styles: wedgewood blue, quartz pink, silver grey and surf green.
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AB15088 — WOOD KITCHEN CABINETS — HILTON, BOOTHS, 49-52 — Cabinet Division, The Mengel Company, Dept. AB, Louisville 1, Kentucky. "Royalwood" line includes natural Birch, choice of white, yellow, pink, blue, turquoise and brown. Counter tops are of Westinghouse "Micarta" plastic with a selection of ten colors. Manufacturer says units can be combined in hundreds of ways to fit any size or shape kitchen.

AB15091 — VINYL FLOOR TILE — HILTON, BOOTH 378 — Robbins Floor Products, Inc., Dept. AB, Tuscumbia, Ala. "All-Purpose Terra-Tile" requires no adhesive, is especially suited for below grade areas where moisture is excessive. Extra thickness of tiles, suction effect of honeycomb construction are biggest factors that permit installation without adhesive. Tiles can be removed and used in new location at any time.

AB15066 — SIT-DOWN SINK — SHERMAN, BOOTHS 424 — St. Charles Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, St. Charles, Ill. For the user who wants to sit while performing kitchen duties, this sink with recessed area below affords plenty of knee room. Available in combinations with a regulation sized deep bowl, this new stainless steel sink can be used in a peninsula with the standard bowl opposite, or as one of a double-bowl combination, side by side.

AB15070 — GARAGE DOOR — HILTON, BOOTHS 131-132 — Steel Door Corp., Dept. AB, 359 S. Jessie St., Pontiac, Mich. Maximum design flexibility for the "Berry Custom" garage door is achieved with a flush constructed door and a system of stock moldings and parts that can be used to create an infinite number of design patterns. Shown are two suggested patterns. Basic door comes in four sizes: 8x7, 9x7, 16x7, 18x7.

AB15064 — CYLINDRICAL LOCK — HILTON, BOOTH 380 — National Lock Co., Dept. AB, Rockford, Ill. Terminated the "Thrifty Four-Fifty", new "450" series cylindrical lock is easily installed after latch bolt is applied to door. Factory preset for standard 1%- and 1%-inch doors, unit has cold rolled steel mechanism with wrought brass, bronze or aluminum trim. Key, pushbutton, turnbutton and knob latches available.

AB15061 — HEATING-COOLING UNIT — HILTON, BOOTHS 183-184 — Rheem Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 7600 S. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill. Measuring 33 x 90 x 26 inches, year-round air conditioner has 60,000 BTU/HR heating output, 18,000 BTU/HR cooling capacity. Gas-fired, unit is completely automatic, features low pressure drop condenser, sealed refrigerant system, turbo-dryer cooling coils, balanced blower, slotted burner.

AB15073 — LOUVDRED WINDOW — HILTON, BOOTHS 317-318-319 — Sun-Sash Co., Dept. AB, 38 Park Row, New York 38, N. Y. Adjustable to any angle by "one-finger-operation," units are available to fit any opening, can be used with either screen or storm sash. Patented "Side-SEal" assures weather-tight closure. In addition to a wide variety of exterior uses, units also are practical for interior partitions and dividers.

AB15074 — PLASTIC CORNER FORM — SHERMAN, BOOTHS 460 — Symons Clamp & Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 4249 Diversey Ave., Chicago 39, Ill. Illustrated above is a new plastic inside corner attached to Symons plywood panel concrete forms. Much lighter than other materials, the plastic corner is easy to strip, leaves a very smooth finish, does not chip or scuff at edges. Formed on a 5% inch radius it leaves an attractive, curved corner.
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AB15159 — METAL DOOR JAMB — HILTON, BOOTH 338—Trimeo Metal Products Co., Dept. AB, 6304 Olive St. Road, St. Louis 3, Mo. Shown here are Trimeo’s adjustable head and side pieces (top), adjustable strike plate (left) and the lock holes that bond plaster to the jamb. One man can nail the entire jamb to a precision door-fit in a matter of minutes. Wet or dry wall construction.

AB15122 — PACKAGED HOUSES — HILTON, BOOTH 12—United States Steel Homes Inc., Dept. AB, Charlestown Rd., New Albany, Ind. The Gunnison "Coronado" shown above is produced in 11 distinct plan variations—2 or 3 bedrooms, with or without basements, many exterior treatments. Gunnison line also includes: "Champion"—five plan variations; "Catalina"—four plan variations; "Westerner"—three plan variations.

AB15157—DECORATIVE ESCUTCHEONS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 525-526—Lockwood Hardware Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Fitchburg, Mass. Designed for use with Lockwood’s "C" series of locksets, these Decra-Dor escutcheon plates are available in brass or aluminum. The designs are deeply etched and inlaid with brightly colored enamels. There is a choice of five designs. Shown here is "Persian Pattern."
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ABI5015—NEW YEAR-ROUND CONDITIONER—HILTON, BOOTHS 168-171—Frigidaire Division, General Motors Corp., Dept. AB, 300 Taylor St., Dayton 1, Ohio. Frigidaire's newest addition to its 25 year old line of air conditioners is a 2-ton year round unit combining heating and cooling. The manufacturer claims it will provide weathercontrol for new and existing 4 to 6 room houses. The furnace is offered for either oil or gas fuel.

ABI5057—CONTEMPORARY HOME—HILTON, BOOTH 250—Please Woodwork Co., Dept. AB, 900 Forest Ave., Hamilton, Ohio. 1955 line includes "Shorewood" above, a 4-bedroom, 2-bath unit with flat roof and clerestoried windows that bring light into the kitchen, or 3-in-12 pitched roof without clerestoried windows. Fits lot two ways with terrace to side or rear; attached garage optional. One bath serves master bedroom.

ABI5039—HARDWOOD FLUSH DOOR—SHERMAN, BOOTH 558—Atlas Plywood Corporation, Dept. AB, Boston 16, Mass. Domestic hardwood flush doors include solid and hollow core styles in a wide variety of sizes. All material in the door is crafted by American workmen. Face selections include Birch, Gum, Oak, and other domestic woods. Builders feel that the growing seller's market calls for the beauty of flush hardwood doors.

ABI5026—LOW-COST STAINLESS STEEL SINK—HILTON, BOOTH NO. 368—Carrollton Manufacturing Company, Dept. AB, Sink Div., Carrollton, Ohio. Carrollton's Stainless Steel Sinks are now at the price of cast-iron, possible because of mass production. Each bowl is seamlessly formed from one piece of 18-8 stainless steel, weighs 17 lbs., flange corners rounded (1-1/2 in. radius) to fit "Hudee"-type frames, sound deadened.

ABI5174—CYLINDRICAL LOCKS—HILTON, BOOTHS 35-36—Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Chrysler Bldg., New York 17, N. Y. The major line of Yale cylindrical locks features a wide choice of designs and finishes. Shown here are some of the new push-button locks. Known as the Yale 5300 Series, the new line is being produced in brass, bronze and aluminum in both standard and decorative escutcheons.

ABI5040—BASEMENT ENTRYWAY—SHERMAN, BOOTH 469—Bilco Company, Dept. AB, New Haven 5, Conn. The most useful basement from the owner's point of view is one with an outside entrance equipped with a Bilco Basement entryway. The all steel weather-tight door is available in three sizes from building supply dealers. The door is easy to install and takes very little labor time. Manufacturer states unit is a powerful sales tool.
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AK15204—BUILT-IN RANGE, OVEN
—SHERMAN, BOOTH 425—The Tappan Stove Co., Dept. AB, Mansfield, Ohio. "Tap'n Wall," built-in range, is in choice of 4 oven styles with separate surface units and optional griddle, in choice of either festerloy or copperloy, has clock-controlled oven, broiler, all controls at eye level. Oven styles include chrome-lined oven with visualite window, porcelain-lined oven with solid door.

AK15206—COMBINATION WEATHERSTRIP AND SASH BALANCE
—HILTON, BOOTH 11—Zegers, Inc., Dept. AB, 8090 So. Chicago Ave., Chicago 17, Ill. "Dura-seal" is a combination metal weatherstrip and sash balance, has 4 metal springs to assure balance, makes windows easy to open, has "Si-Vel" recessed counter-balancing springs coated to eliminate noise. Dura-seal stops drafts, keeps out dust, dirt and cold.

AK15209—"EVERGLAZE" CERAMIC TILE — SHERMAN, BOOTH 492—The Mosaic Tile Company, Dept. AB, Zanesville, Ohio. "Everglaze" tile is textured glaze on wall-tile body, available in 4¼x4¼-in. size and 3-in. hexagon size, is especially for counter tops and floors, is durable, scratch- and heat-resistant, has spacers for uniform close joints, modified square edge for easy cleaning, in limited palette of colors.

AK15211—PREFabricated FIREPLACE — SHERMAN, BOOTHs 508-509—Uni-bilt Division, Vega Industries, Inc., Dept. AB, Syracuse 5, N. Y. The Uni-bilt fireplace is pre-fabricated, low-cost, eliminates need for masonry, built to underwriters' specifications for use against wall surface combustible or non-combustible, can be mounted flush or recessed. Outer shell is steel, stainless steel trim, firebox is impact ceramic.

AK15207—SELF-MODULATING ZONE HEATING — SHERMAN, BOOTH 555—Iron Fireman Manufacturing Company, Dept. AB, Cleveland 11, Ohio. "SeleCtemp" heating system treats each room as individual zone with its own thermostat. Each room heated with filtered, warm air, continuously circulated by recessed wall unit. Low-pressure steam is supplied to wall units through flexible copper tubing.

AK15202—BATH TUB ENCLOSURE
—HILTON, BOOTH 33B—Tubnor, Inc., Dept. AB, 5671 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento, Calif. This polished aluminum frame is furnished with a snap-on vinyl curtain which comes in 11 different color tones. It will fit any 5-foot recessed tub and adjusts for tile or plaster. It can be installed in about 30 minutes. Price is $29 each for under 100 units, $27.50 for over 100 units.

AK15205—SLIDING DOOR FRAME
—HILTON, BOOTH NO. 74—Kennaframe Corp., Dept. AB, Elkhart, Indiana. Heavy steel construction of the prefabricated "Kennaframe" makes the entire assembly warp proof. Takes any type of wall finish. Three-way adjustment is easy and quick to install. Two models for all standard 1% and ½ in. door widths offer the price and size selection builders want.

AB15056—FLOOR COVERING
—HILTON, BOOTH 356—Pabeo Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 475 Brannan Street, San Francisco 19, Calif. Called Pabeo "Tanbark," new inlaid linoleum is being marketed in three tones of cork color. Soil-sealed for easier cleaning and longer wear, the linoleum's standard weight makes it practical for residential and light commercial use. It is available in 6-foot wide rolls.

AB152012—MOISTURE VAPOur BARRIER—HILTON, BOOTH 369—The Visking Corp., Plastics Division, Dept. AB, P.O. Box 1410, Terre Haute, Ind. Shown here is framework of model home prepared by Visking showing use of "Visqueen" polyethylene film used as a moisture vapor barrier under concrete slabs and on warm side of walls. Recently introduced, the material is available through building material dealers.
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**AB15166—Cylindrical Locks—Sherman, Booth 486—P. & F. Corbin Division, The American Hardware Corp., Dept. AB, New Britain, Conn.** Corbin has three new designs in their cylindrical lock lines. Shown here is the Crestwood. Made from solid cast brass, bronze or aluminum, the Crestwood may be purchased with 3-in., 31/2-in., 5-in. or 8-in. size rose plates. Available in heavy-duty and standard-duty functions.

**AB15172—Storm and Screen Door—Sherman, Booth 520—**
Winter Seal Corp., Dept. AB, Meyers Rd., Detroit 27, Mich. This is the Winter Seal all-extruded aluminum combination storm and screen door. Aluminum castings at each corner assure strength and rigidity. All parts are interlocking. The owner's initial can be etched in the glass of the storm sash. Three full-mortised piano-type hinges prevent sag.

**AB15210—New Forced Air Furnace—Hilton, Booth 150—**
Royal Jet, Inc., Dept. AB, Alhambra, Calif. Firm has new line gas-fired, forced-air furnaces with 7 forced-air models from 75,000 to 150,000 BTU input, 5 counter-flow models from 25,000 to 100,000, have belt or direct drive. RFA-80 Custom Model, shown, has “snap off-snap on” door design, is 38% in. high, 14% in. wide, 253/16 in. deep.

**AB15211—Decorative Paneling—Sherman, Booths 561-562—**
The Long-Bell Lumber Co., Dept. AB, Longview, Wash. In addition to its full line of kitchen cabinets, Long-Bell will display its new “Flakewood” decorative panels and tiles at the NAHB show. Made of selected wood fibers and flake, 1/4-inch thick paneling comes in four species—maple, fir, cedar (shown above), pine. Panel size is 4x8 feet, tiles-12x12 inches and 16x16 inches.
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AB15200—HARDBOARD PLYWOOD—HILTON, BOOTHS 147—149—United States Plywood Corp., Dept. AB, 55 W 44th St., New York 36, N. Y. Samara Weldwood plywood shown here used as paneling in recreation room. The finish bears a close resemblance to African mahogany, costs only about $21 for a wall area of 8 by 12 feet. Weldwood contact cement, which does not require clamping, is used for application.

AB15066—NEW TILING-IN BEAD—HILTON, BOOTH 94-96—For Fit Products Corp., Dept. AB, 1200 E. 52nd St., Indianapolis, Ind. Aluminum window wall unit, 9x6 feet, is made up of three standard size 500 series Per-Fit slider windows. Any size can be made with combination of standard size 500 series sliders, 2 to 6 feet in width, or Per-Fit slider picture windows, 7 to 9 feet in width. Exterior trim is integrated with frame.

AB15018—30-INK GAS RANGE—SHERMAN, BOOTH 489—Dixie Products, Inc., Dept. AB, Cleveland, Tenn. Large oven, 30-inch range is a space-saving kitchen appliance that builders might consider for future developments. Range has a high backguard electric clock with four hour interval timer and appliance outlet. Burners have high, low, or simmer heating with locking type valves. The 30-inch size saves valuable kitchen floor space.

AB15055—SLIDER WINDOW WALL UNIT—HILTON, BOOTH 367—Per-Fit Products Corp., Dept. AB, 1200 E. 52nd St., Indianapolis, Ind. Aluminum window wall unit, 9x6 feet, is made up of three standard size 9020 Per-Fit slider windows. Any size can be made with combinations of standard size 500 series sliders, 2 to 6 feet in width, or Per-Fit slider picture windows, 7 to 9 feet in width. Exterior trim is integrated with frame.

AB15003—METAL DOOR FRAME—HILTON, BOOTHS 510—Kewanee Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Kewanee, Illinois. Has matching metal door frames and metal trim and baseboard. The manufacturer claims savings as the plaster grounds are no longer needed. When the plasterer finishes, the steel units can be painted. Dry wall construction works equally as well with the metal units. The trim is galvanized and benderized ready for paint.

AB15036—COOLING UNIT FOR WARM AIR SYSTEM—HILTON, BOOTH 377—United States Air Conditioning Corp., Dept. AB, Como Ave. Southeast at 31st, Minneapolis 14, Minn. This Kooler-aire air-cooled condensing unit can be used to convert a warm air heating system to all-year air conditioning. It is combined with a direct expansion coil installed at any point in the air supply system. Two models—2-ton and 3-ton.
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**COMPARISON OF HEAT LOSS THROUGH INSULATED METALBESTOS AND UNINSULATED VENT PIPE**

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NOTE: Calculations based on 5" vent pipe with a height of 20' and a lateral run of 15'. Appliance input is 125,000 BTU. with 15,000 BTU. per hour assumed to reach the vent at the draft hood.

*Uninsulated vents are vents such as single-wall sheet metal, cement-asbestos and terra cotta.

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**Capacity Range of 4" Insulated Vent vs. 4" Uninsulated Vent**

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NOTE: Capacities computed by the Kinkaid Equation for a typical installation with temperature at draft hood of 400°F, and minimum vent gas temperature of 180°F inside the vent. 15% of the BTU input is assumed to reach the draft hood. Both vents have a lateral run equal to 75% of the height.

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AB15051 — ROOF DECKING — HILTON, BOOTHS 116-117—Insulite Division, Minnesota & Ontario Paper Co., Dept. AB, 300 Baker Arcade Building, Minneapolis 2, Minn. Single, labor-saving application of Insulite roof deck provides roof sheathing, roof insulation and pre-finished interior ceiling. New 3-in-1 material designed for flat or low-pitch roofs with exposed beams. Available in 2x8-foot units, 1½, 2 and 3 inches thick.

AB1552—PREFABRICATED HOME—HILTON, BOOTHES 166-167—Modern Homes Corp., Dept. AB, 14507 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn, Mich. This model features open planning, sound "conditioning" of bathroom and ceiling, modular construction. "Klear-Span" steel joists with scissors truss which provides 10-foot vault type ceiling. Modern's new "Power-Glide" sliding windows are included in all models.

AB15101—KITCHEN CABINETS—HILTON, BOOTHES 228, 229, 230; SHERMAN, BOOTH 447—Geneva Modern Kitchens Div., Acme Steel Co., Dept. AB, Geneva, Ill. Designed and built exclusively for the builder, Geneva will introduce complete new kitchen cabinet line at NAHB show. Line includes standard sizes of wall and base cabinets, corner revolving-type units, cabinet sinks, and special cabinets to fit built-in equipment.

AB15210—WALL OVEN—HILTON, BOOTH 379—Griswold Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Erie, Pa. "Aristocrat" oven is completely self contained and ready to install, requires no additional insulation or exterior vents. Front trim of fully automatic unit measures 23½x21½ inches; interior is 16x15½x18 inches. Exterior finish is stainless "lifet ime" satin chrome. Electrical rating: 118/230 volts AC, 3-wire single phase 60 cycle service.

AB15154 — HEATING-COOLING UNIT—HILTON, BOOTHS 191-194; 206-208—Crane Co., Dept. AB, 836 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 5. This compact new heating-cooling combination measures only 2x3x5 feet. It is engineered to burn either gas or oil with equal efficiency. The refrigeration system features two one-ton compressors instead of the usual two-ton unit to provide the proper humidity level at all times.

AB15169 — PIC-A-DOR CABINET — HILTON, BOOTHS 113; 215-217—Tracy Kitchens, Dept. AB, 3125 Preble Ave., Pittsburgh 33, Pa. This versatile new cabinet is a standard-sized steel cabinet with sliding doors in a choice of decorative materials. The Pic-A-Dor is also available without doors but fitted with grooves and runners for custom-made doors. It can be hung as a wall cabinet, used as an island base or mounted on legs.

AB15020—WINTER-SUMMER CONDITIONING—SHERMAN, BOOTH 453—Delco Appliance Div., General Motors Corporation, Dept. AB, Rochester, N.Y. Winter or summer weather conditioning keeps a house at any desired temperature. The unit has either a 2 or 3 ton water-cooled, air conditioner and a 75,000 BTU oil-fired furnace, or a 90,000 BTU gas-fired furnace. Dimensions are 41½x20½x75½ for the three ton unit.
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AB15170—LOCKSETS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 433—Western Lock Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 211 N. Madison Ave., Los Angeles 4, Cal. A feature of this line is the 500 series concave locksets with matching concave cabinet hardware for every door, drawer and cupboard in the home. Weatherproof entry lockets feature 5-pin tumbler security, split spindle operation, oversized rosettes with concealed screws and fast installation.

AB15118—ALUMINUM AWNING WINDOWS—HILTON, BOOTH 55-56—Gate City Sash & Door Co., Dept. AB, 15 S.W. Third Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Big features are "no-splash" rain protection, self-adjusting sash arms, completely enclosed hardware, complete weatherstripping, aluminum strip glazing, easy operation, "permanized" finish. Five standard widths available with one to five vents. Push-button motorized operation optional.

AB15124—ROLL-UP GARAGE DOOR—SHERMAN, BOOTH 444-445—Garage Hardware Div., The Stanley Works, Dept. AB, New Britain. Conn. "Free-way" overhead door comes in 6 sizes, 8'x7' to 9'x7', and in 8 designs. Features include: inclined heavy gauge 2" track for "free-way" action with an adjustable top corner bracket that assures a weathertight fit; adjustable lock strike; ball bearing roller hinges; easily adjusted tension springs.

AB15144—SLIDING GLASS DOORS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 468—T. V. Walker & Son, Dept. AB, P.O. Box 547 Burbank, Cal. Capri sliding glass doors are made in a combination of wood or aluminum or all aluminum. Stiles are aluminum, top and bottom rails are either aluminum or fine grain hardwood ash. Doors have mohair pile weatherstrip on sides, top and bottom. Three types of doors available.

AB15176—PACKAGED MASONRY CHIMNEY—HILTON, BOOTH 124-125—Van-Packer Corp., Dept. AB, Bettendorf, Iowa. New feature of this packaged chimney is functional design rain cap assembly for faster installation and elimination of downdrafts. The chimney installs in 3 main hours or less on an average one-story house. Tested by Underwriters' Laboratories for all fuels. Accepted by FHA and model building codes.

AB15148—MULTICOLORED WALL ENAMEL—SHERMAN, BOOTH 451-452—Maas & Waldstein Co., Dept. AB, 2121 McCarber Highway, Newark 4, N. J. Through the use of "Plextone" it is possible to spray a surface with two or more colors simultaneously in a single spray coat. No special equipment or technique required. Plextone is rated as one of the most washable flat interior paints in commercial use today.

AB15166—BUILT-IN RANGE—HILTON, BOOTH 372—The Stieglitz Corp., Dept. AB, 2006 Portland Ave., Louisville, Ky. Infra-Aire cooking top model 4-SC requires a depth of only 3 in., saving top drawer space. The stack-on oven unit is available in three sizes to fit standard kitchen cabinets. An insert oven top is also available for installation in wood or masonry construction.

AB15146—PLANK FLOOR—HILTON, BOOTH 66-67—E. L. Bruce Co., Dept. AB, Memphis, Tenn. Alternating strips of 2 5/8" and 3 5/8" Southern oak with widths give an effect similar to that of an expensive custom-laid random floor. Factory-applied seal eliminates on-the-job sanding and finishing. Installed cost is estimated at same or less than select unfinished flooring.

AB15145—CERAMIC FACED TILE—SHERMAN, BOOTH 458-459—Porcelain Enamel Products Corp., Dept. AB, Rebok, Mass. "Veez" ceramic-on-steel wall tile on patented foundation board is designed for rapid installation over dry wall or prefab construction. The ceramic surface is guaranteed against crazing or fading. Tile is available in 4 5/8" and 5 5/8" sizes. Wide color range.
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AB15116—KITCHEN CABINETS—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 531-573-574—Curtis Companies Inc., Dept. AB, Clinton, Ia. New birch kitchen cabinet line is said to embody "53 features women want most" and offers builders many advantages and sales points. The natural birch cabinets have swing and revolving shelves, slide-out bins and trays, convenient pass-through units. Sizes are available to fit any kitchen; sold through lumber dealers only.

AB15152—PACKAGED CHIMNEY—SHERMAN, BOOTH 599—General Products Co., Dept. AB, Fredericksburg, Va. This is a new chimney unit with an authentic brick-look chimney top. Trade name is Air-Jet Brick Beauty. The design is of embossed aluminum, construction finished brick red with depressed off-white mortar lines. The chimney weighs about 100 pounds, is UL approved for use with oil, coal, wood or gas fuels.

AB15119—VINYL FLOOR TILE—SHERMAN, BOOTH 455—The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Dept. AB, Akron 16, O. A companion line to Goodyear's residential rubber flooring, new all-vinyl tile of .080 thickness is said to have these advantages: can be contour-coved on the job; doesn't rot or mildew; needs no waxing; has superior stain resistance and a high resiliency that reduces noise, breakage and chipping; wide color range.

AB15173—INSULATING SHEATHING—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 493-494—Wood Conversion Co., Dept. AB, First National Bank Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn. Improved Nu-Wood sheathing has greater surface protection and increased nailing holding strength. New nailing guide lines make application faster and easier. This sheathing is asphalt impregnated, can be used under wood siding, wood and asbestos shingles, stucco or masonry veneer.

AB15175—CABINET SINKS—HILTON, BOOTHS 118-122—Mullins Manufacturing Corp., Dept. AB, Warren, Ohio. Youngstown Kitchens' Diana line has three new cabinet sinks in widths of 48-in., 54-in. and 66-in. (shown above). The porcelain enameled sink tops have stainless steel backlash and front trim. Top right drawer in two largest models contains an exclusive new cutting board. Handles have chrome finish.

AB15171—FRICITION CATCH—SHERMAN, BOOTH 419—Washington Steel Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 1940 E. 11th St., Tacoma 2, Wash. This modification of this company's "1125" friction catch, for stile rather than shelf mounting, incorporates the catch on a curved steel mounting base, allowing installation for lipped doors. Known as "Washington 1126," the new catch is of a material unharmed by acids or temperature changes.

AB15155—CONSOLE RANGES—SHERMAN, BOOTH 470—Chambers, Dept. AB, Shelbyville, Ind. Chambers' 1955 line features two new ranges at lower price levels. The 41-CB, shown here, retails at $299.95, with trade-in of an old range Model 61-CB, with the Chambers exclusive Therowell, retails at $349.95, with trade-in. Both ranges have an in-a-top broiler-griddle, full-size utility and crisper compartment.
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the maker. Scene shown is available for
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ABI5198—PRIMER KNOT SEALER
—SHERMAN, BOOTH 539-540—
Western Pine Assn., Dept. AB, Yeon Bldg.,
Portland 4, Ore. A new primer knot sealer,
WP-578-P, is a further development of the
clear sealer formula, WP-578, and com-
bines sealing and priming coat steps into
one operation, thus adding new economy to
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painted surfaces are desired. The sealer
prevents possible paint discoloration.

ABI5188—LAVATORY-VANITY—
HILTON, BOOTH 315-316—lxl
Furniture Co., Dept. AB, Goshen, Ind. De-
velopment of three basic units makes pos-
sible an endless variation of custom-type,
counter-top lavatories at mass-production
builder prices, says the maker. Called
"Lavanities," unit can be obtained in any
size and style to suit individual specifica-
tions. New "reversible" kitchen cabinets
also will be shown at NAHB show.

ABI5199 — ROOM AIR CONDITIONER—HILTON, BOOTH 157—
Welbilt Stove Co., Dept. AB, Mas-
peth 78, L.I., N. Y. The 1955 Sil-Slim
room air conditioner has a permanent air
filter, automatic temperature control, re-
move-control fresh air intake, built-in
heater. It is mounted almost flush to the
inside edge of the windowsill. Three
models are offered, at $399.95 and $449.95,
lo.b. factory.

ABI5187—REMOVABLE WINDOW
UNIT — SHERMAN, BOOTH
529-530—Rock Island Millwork Co.,
Dept. AB, Rock Island 1, Ill. Double-hung
"Uni-Glide" window features sash remov-
able from inside, special "anodized" alumi-
num weatherstripping, maximum insulation
with metal air seal surrounding a stainless
steel compression strip. Ponderosa Pine
units are adaptable to any type of wall
construction, come in full range of sizes.

ABI5191 — FURNACE — SHERMAN,
BOOTH 434-435—Morrison Steel Prod-
ucts Inc., Dept. AB, 601 Amherst St.,
Buffalo 7, N.Y. Shown is the 20x20" C-41
oil unit, one of a complete new line of low-
boy counterflow, upflow and horizontal
forced warm air furnaces. Units range in
capacities from 75,000 to 190,000 Btu
input for gas, and from 72,800 to 151,000 Btu
output for oil. Compact, newly styled
models are finished in autumn haze color.

ABI5186—CLAY TILE MASTIC —
SHERMAN, BOOTH NO, 485—
Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 423
Piquette Ave., Detroit 2, Mich. Faster
lower-cost installation of clay tile with nev-
synthetic rubber adhesive is claimed by
maker. Called CTA-11, adhesive is ready
for use as taken from can. One pound
of adhesive is said to do the work of 40
pounds of mortar. Coverage is 60-70 sq. ft.
gen. using the notched trowel specified.

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AB15352—OIL, GAS FURNACES—HILTON, BOOTH 18—Conco Engineering Works, Dept. AB, Mendota, Ill. Cabinet design, compactness, flexibility are features of “Ranchief” line. Nine models provide output range from 56,000 to 90,000 Btu, oil or gas, counterflow and conventional delivery. As shown, models can be furnished with a cabinet extension that serves as return air channel, gives unit attractive horizontal lines.

AB15011—SINGLE LEVER FAUCET—HILTON, BOOTH 351—Gyro Brass Manufacturing Corporation, Dept. AB, 51 Urban Ave., Westbury, L.I., New York. Builders can give housewives the simplified single sink faucet. The single lever unit, according to the manufacturer, will emit hot or cold water in any quantity or volume depending on the positioning of the lever. The lever also mixes hot and cold water to give water at desired temperature.

AB15133—PLASTIC SURFACING—HILTON, BOOTH 111—General Electric, Dept. AB, Chemical Div., Coshocton, O. Kitchen work center is surfaced with “Textolite,” a heat, stain, scratch resistant plastics material. Installation above features “Monotop” construction—backsplash, counter, no-drip edge molded from single panel; no seams, crevices. Comes in many textures including GE’s new “Mix-or-Match” colors.

AB15012—SLIDING DOOR HARDWARE—HILTON, BOOTH 301-302—Grant Pulley and Hardware Co., Dept. AB, 31-85 Whitestone Parkway, Flushing, L.I., N.Y. Grant has designed sliding door hardware for the mass builder market. Called the Grant 7000, the door carriers have four nylon ball-bearing rollers mounted on pivoting rocker arms. This roller system provides constant wheel contact with the track, insuring smooth noiseless action.

AB15001— ASPHALT SHINGLES WITH ADHESIVE—HILTON, BOOThS 81-82—Johns-Manville, Dept. AB, 22 F. 40th St., New York, N.Y. Seal-On-Matic shingles seal themselves by the heat of the sun’s rays, thereby resisting blow-off by wind or blow-up by rain. This new shingle development has a 3/4 inch wide ribbon of petroleum adhesive up from the edge of the butt. The adhesive, factory applied, is hard and brittle at normal temperatures.

AB15008—BI-METAL CAST COLUMNS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 483—Huntington Industries, Inc., Dept. AB, 2368 Prospect St., Memphis, Tenn. "Orna-Cast" columns combine wrought iron and cast aluminum. The manufacturer claims the introduction of the two metals combine the structural strength of the wrought iron and the case in casting of the aluminum bring down the price. The columns are available in four designs for immediate shipment.

AB15038—INSULATING ROOF DECK—HILTON, BOOTHs 26-27—Armstrong Cork Co., Dept. AB, Lancaster, Pa. A new insulating fiberboard, Roof Deck, provides insulation, vapor barrier and interior ceiling finish all in one material. Application is simple and fast, and produces a draft-tight ceiling, manufacturer reports. Material is cut with saws and nailed in place. Lap joints are modified tag type, sealed with a caulking compound.
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AB15036—GAS-FIRED WATER HEATER—HILTON, BOOTH 133-141—American Standard, American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp., Dept. AB, Pittsburgh 30, Pa. The water heater is available in three sizes, 20, 30, and 40 gallons and is hydrostatically factory-tested at 355 pounds. Fired by a single port updraft-type cast iron burner with any gas fuel. The unit is controlled by a Minneapolis-Honeywell control: AGA approved.

AB15123—DISHWASHER—HILTON, BOOTH 75-77; 88-90—Appliance Div., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Dept. AB, 216 E. Fourth St., Mansfield, O. Available as 24 in. counter model or in 48 in. sink combination shown above, dishwasher features thermostat water temperature control and a flexible washing cycle. Swing-up center sections in top rack provide easy loading; large wash well accommodates dishes, silverware for eight.

AB15163—BUILT-IN COOKING—HILTON, BOOTH 220—Western-Holly Appliance Co., Dept. AB, Culver City, Cal. The built-in oven and countertop gas cooking units of this manufacturer are available in stainless steel, or white and pastel colors of yellow, green or blue porcelain enamel. This installation, in yellow, was made in an unusual kitchen design by an owner in Culver City, Cal.

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How to Build
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Control joints are used in masonry walls to control cracking caused by unusual stresses. These joints are placed in such locations and in such a manner that the wall can move slightly without cracking. Control-joint spacing depends on wall length, local conditions and architectural details. Here's how to build control joints in concrete masonry walls:

1. When using stretcher block place a non-corrod ing Z-tie bar in every other horizontal joint. Bend the bar slightly so it extends across the vertical joint as shown. The tie bar should be about 2 in. shorter than the block is wide.

2. Apply mortar and strike off joints flush. Use half-length units in alternate courses to maintain a continuous joint and wall pattern.

3. Here's another way to form control joints when using stretcher block. Cut building paper or roofing felt in strips wide enough to curve into the end core and cover the mortar joint. After the paper and the adjacent block are in place, fill the core with mortar as shown in photo. The paper or felt prevents the mortar from bonding on one side of the joint, thus permitting it to function.

4. You also can use offset jamb block to form control joints. Place a non-corroding Z-tie bar in every other horizontal joint but bend it more than when using stretcher block so that it spans the offset vertical joint.

5. Special control-joint block are available in full- and half-length units in some areas. Tongue-and-groove ends give the wall lateral support. Butter the joint in the normal way.

6. Control joints exposed to view or to the weather should be sealed with calking compound. After the mortar has become quite stiff prepare the joint for the compound by raking it out to a depth of 1/8" with a 1/8" calking tool.

7. Using the same calking tool, force knife-grade calking compound into the raked-out joint. The control joint will have longer life if, before inserting the calking compound, you paint it with shellac, varnish or some other primer. The primer prevents the masonry units from absorbing oils in the calking compound.

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**ABI15349—STAINLESS STEEL SINKS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 499—Elkay Mfg. Co., 1874 S. 54th Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.**

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**ABI155386—OAK BLOCK FLOORING—SHERMAN, BOOTH 473—Wood-Mosaic Co., Parkay Div., Louisville, Ky.**

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**ABI15369—KITCHEN NOOK—SHERMAN, BOOTH 556—Bianco Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, 2376 Victor St., St. Louis 4, Mo.**

Latest series of Bianco Kitchen Hostess Nooks as pictured above, and other models in their line will be on display at NAHB Exposition. The plastic covering used on this new line is in decorator choice of colors of modern Scotch Plaid. Many new concepts of Bianco's open floor designs will also be a feature at Show.

**ABI15367—SLIDING GLASS DOORS—SHERMAN, BOOTH 584—Ador Sales Inc., Dept. AB, 1631 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles 36, Calif.**

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**ABI15351 — FLOOR NAILING MACHINE—SHERMAN, BOOTH 596—Independent Nail & Packing Co., Dept. AB, Bridgewater, Mass.**

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**ABI15384 — SINK CABINET — HILTON, BOOTH 212—Toledo Desk & Fixture Co., Dept. AB, Maumee, Ohio.**

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**ABI15185 — PLASTIC PANELING — HILTON, BOOTH 326-329—Structoglas Div., International Molded Plastics Inc., Dept. AB, Cleveland 9, O.**

Typical of uses for fiberglass reinforced plastic panels is this patio covered with translucent "Structoglas." Outdoor living room is created without obstructing light from windows. Protected areas attainable with plastic paneling can give small home more usable space at low cost.

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AB15162—REEL FIXTURE—SHERMAN, BOOTH 592—John C. Virden Co., Dept. AB, 5009-6103 Longfellow Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio. Known as the V-2216-R, this fixture has a wrought iron frame, perforated metal shade with polished brass trim. Frosted chimney takes a 100-watt lamp. Reel in canopy permits fixture to pull down to 60 in. and retract to 27 in. Spread of the shade is 16 in.

AB15009 — DISHWASHER SINK — SHERMAN, BOOTH 446—Kitchen-Aid Home Dishwasher Div., The Hobart Mfg Co., Dept. AB, Troy, Ohio. This dishwasher sink is 48 inches wide and has the drain preassembled with the sink drain. The plumber needs only to couple the drain line and the water lines. With the hooking to the electrical outlet the unit is ready. The units are also available in portable and under counter-top models.

AB15007 — "ADDITIVE" AIR CONDITIONERS — SHERMAN, BOOTH 144—The Lennox Furnace Co., Dept. AL, Marshalltown, Ia. Air conditioning units of 2 and 3 ton capacities, designed to be added to existing central forced air heating systems are offered by this manufacturer. Unit shown is for vertical air flow. It can be installed above an up-flow furnace or beneath a down-flow furnace. Furnace blower, filters, ducts are used for cooling.

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AB15032—UPSIDE-DOWN REFRIGERATOR—HILTON, BOOTHS 331-354—Admiral Corporation, Dept. AB, 3000 Cortland St., Chicago 47, Ill. This company's new "FS" line is sparked with an upside-down refrigerator, over-sized freezer chest at the bottom and the regular cold food storage at standing height. The unit has a 11.4 cubic foot capacity with a 122 pound capacity freezer. Door shelves, two roll out shelves, over-sized crisper included.

AB15361—NEW ROOF DECK—HILTON, BOOTHS 382-389—Reflectal Corp., subsidiary of Borg-Warner Corp., Dept. AB, 310 S. Michigan, Chicago, Ill. Ingersoll Roof Deck is a new structural roof system consisting of floating panels securely anchored to precision-aligned purlins. Despite freedom of expansion and contraction of panels, deck achieves a new high in rigidity and strength at 8 ft. spans according to manufacturer.

AB15035—DECORATOR CONCAVE NOBS—HILTON, BOOTH 4—American Cabinet Hardware Corp., Dept. AB, Rockford, Ill. These new Decorator Knobs are available in two finish combinations: One, a satin chromium knob with ebony black ornament and polished chromium backplate, and two, a satin, copper knob brass ornament and polished brass backplate. Visual packages show each knob and backplate combination.

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AB15348 — LOCKSET TRIM — HILTON—BOOTH, NO. 127—Schlage Lock Co., Dept. AB, 2201 Bay Shore Blvd., San Francisco, Calif. Shown above is the "Star," one of five new lock and escutcheon designs for residential or commercial installation. All of the new styles are available in bronze, brass and aluminum with all standard finishes, except the Star, which comes in brass and bronze only. All are interchangeable with current locks.

AB15350 — SHOWER RECEPTOR—SHERMAN, BOOTH 475—Fiat Metal Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 9301 W. Belmont Ave., Franklin Park, Ill. Said to replace two trades in its installation compared to built-up shower floor, precast receptor has monolithic construction that eliminates leakage. Made in either aristaone or terrazzo for showers with walls of tile or plaster, receptor has drain, removable strainers, tilting-in flange.

AB15354—PREFABRICATED CHIMNEY—HILTON, BOOTH NO. 23—Condensation Engineering Corp., Dept. AB, 2511 W. Potomac Ave., Chicago, Ill. Simulated brick finish now is available for the "Vitroliner" packaged chimney. Brick design is applied to metal housing at the factory by a special process. Vitreous enamel top is finished in gray. Basic design, construction and operation remain unchanged, according to the manufacturer.

AB15355—NON-MORTISE HINGE—HILTON, BOOTH NO. 348—McKinney Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 1715 Liverpool St., Pittsburgh 33, Pa. Non-mortise door hinge is said to make door hanging three times faster, reducing time from 49 minutes to 16. Only a screwdriver is necessary—chiseling and cutting of door and jamb are eliminated. Hinge is available in 3\% in. size in three finishes—dull brass plated, nickel plated and bonderized prime coat.

AB15356—SLIDING DOOR HARDWARE—SHERMAN, BOOTH NO. 487—Acme Appliance Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, Pasadena, Calif. New series of top mount adjustable sliding door hardware has twin nylon wheels, self-aligning hangers, low headroom and a jump-proof extruded aluminum track. A special lock nut keeps hangers in permanent adjustment. Hardware will support doors weighing up to 100 pounds each, states the maker.

AB15356 — LIGHTED MERCURY SWITCH — HILTON, BOOTH 110—Construction Materials Div., General Electric Co., Dept. AB, Bridgeport, Conn. A new mercury switch with a lighted candle has been added to GE's mercury switch line. Tiny room light in handle glows when switch is in "off" position, making it ideal for bathrooms, bedrooms, entranceways and children's rooms. Also used as "reverse" pilot light at head of basement stairs.

AB15358 — AIR CONDITIONER FOR COUNTER-FLOW SYSTEMS—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 401-402—Carrier Corp., Dept. AB, Syracuse, N. Y. Latest Carrier Conversion Weathermaker is designed to convert down-flow forced warm air furnaces to year 'round air conditioning. Furnace is lifted few inches and small counterflow coil placed underneath. Furnace blower sends air downward. Illustration shows typical installation in basementless home.

AB15385 — REFLECTIVE INSULATION—SHERMAN, BOOTH 408—Infra Insulation Inc., Dept. AB, 525 Broadway, New York City. As illustrated above, you can actually feel your own body heat reflect from the surface of the new "Infra" edge to edge accordion aluminum insulation. It does the same thing to coal, oil or gas heat. Because of vapor barrier qualities, maker says insulation has almost zero permeability to vapor, warm and cold air.
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AB15013—SHELF BACK LAVATORY — SHERMAN, BOOTH 517 — Gerber Plumbing Fixtures, Dept. AB, 232 North Clark St., Chicago, Ill. This lavatory, the Anthony, is 20x18 inches made of vitreous china. New features are a shelf back, two integral soap dishes, large bowl, and the modern lines. The unit is available in white, lagoon green, waterfall blue, and sunset tan. The manufacturer has other new additions to his 1955 line.

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AB15002 — OVEN CLEANING SIMPLIFIED — HILTON, BOOTH 35 — Kelvinator Div., American Motors Corp., Dept. AB, Detroit, Michigan. This range now has an oven with disposable sides. Special racks in the range are fitted with precut sheets of aluminum foil. To clean, the housewife need only dispose of the old foil sheet and insert a new one. The bottom of the oven can be cleaned as conveniently as any kitchen utensil.

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AB15150—3-IN-1 ALUMINUM WINDOW—HILTON, BOOTH 106-107—Ceco Steel Products Corp., Dept. AB, 5601 W. 26th St., Chicago 50, Ill. The Sterling 3-in-1 aluminum window is comprised of a series 50-B prime window and a combination storm and screen unit attached directly to the prime window after installation. Prime window is a one-piece welded unit. Shipped assembled.
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AB15346—NEW TYPE WINDOW SCREEN—HILTON, BOOTH 142-143—New York Wire Cloth Co., Dept. AB, New Canaan, Conn. This aluminum wire screening eliminates heavy side frames, substitutes a reinforced Multi-strand edge in their stead which gives rigidity and allows tension devices to pull screen up tight against window frame. Aluminum bar at top attaches to top blind stop; at bottom, clamps attach to sides.

AB15283—OUTLET UNIT — SHERMAN, BOOTH 405—The Wiremold Co., Dept. AB, Hartford, Conn. This multi-outlet raceway, Plugmold 2000, provides outlets for residential and commercial buildings. System is installed in a continuous run; receptacles are prewired in 50-ft. lengths. Outlet shown is 6 in. o.c.; other spacings available are 30 and 18 in. o.c. Also made are duplex constant service outlets and duplex 3-wire outlets.

AB15383—TRIMS FOR "OVERHEAD DOOR" — HILTON, BOOTH 14—Overhead Door Corp., Dept. AB, Hartford City, Ind. New special trims for their standard garage doors are now available from this manufacturer. Trims come in a variety of designs, combinations and materials, to be attached to door with screws. They are painted before being applied to door, and are easy to remove and repaint when color change is desired, without repainting door.

AB15400—TRIMS FOR "OVERHEAD DOOR" — HILTON, BOOTH 323—NuTone, Inc., Dept. AB, Madison and Red Bank Rd., Cincinnati 27, Ohio. Range Hoods are latest addition to NuTone line of kitchen exhaust ventilators. Come in two sizes: 26 and 42 in. Four finishes available: white baked enamel, stainless steel, copper anodized aluminum and stainless anodized aluminum. Top portion of hood is designed to blend with bottom of any cabinet.

AB15402—VENTILATING HOODS—HILTON, BOOTH 233—NuTone, Inc., Dept. AB, Madison and Red Bank Rd., Cincinnati 27, Ohio. Range Hoods are latest addition to the line of kitchen exhaust ventilators. Come in two sizes: 26 and 42 in. Four finishes available: white baked enamel, stainless steel, copper anodized aluminum and stainless anodized aluminum. Top portion of hood is designed to blend with bottom of any cabinet.

AB15401 — MUSIC-RADIO-INTERCOMMUNICATION IN HOME—HILTON, BOOTH 313—Home Music Systems, Inc., Dept. AB, Memphis, Tenn. Here is a low-cost combination music-radio-intercommunication system for homes. System is comprised of one master unit, five speaker sub-station units for installation in any rooms buyer may choose, rough-in kit and all necessary wire. System fits between wall studs in any 4-in. wall.
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AB15301—READYBUILT FIREPLACE—The Readybuilt Products Co., Dept. AB, 1705-23 McHenry St., Baltimore 23, Md. All Readybuilt fireplaces are full size, can be shipped anywhere and can be installed in an hour without cutting of walls, floors or ceiling. Shown here is model 645. It is 4 ft. 6 in. wide. Height is 4 ft. 1½ in. Return to wall is 10½ in. Mantel is knotty pine. Facing is cast quarry stone.

AB15302—PAINTERS' CUTLERY—Red Devil Tools, Dept. AB, Irvington, N.J. Red Devil announces a new line of painters' cutlery to be known as the PS line. Included are two putty knives, two wall scrapers, and one spachting knife. The putty knives have 1½-in. blades, one flexible, the other stiff. Wall scraper blades are 3-in. The spachting knife has a 5-in. flexible blade. Handles are walnut.

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VENTILATING HOODS—HILTON, BOOTHS 57—Pyne & Co., Dept. AB, 142 N. Towne Ave., Pomona, Calif. Two new models of kitchen ventilating hoods tilt for easier cleaning, are quickly removable. Combining fan, light and hood, both models are designed for installation under cabinets over the kitchen range without sacrificing cabinet space. Stock sizes available for 30, 36, 39, 42 and 48 in. cabinets.

ELECTRIC HEATERS—SHERMAN, BOOTHS 409—Electro-mold Corp., Dept. AB, 45 Crouch St., Rochester 3, N.Y. 1955 line of wall-type, portable, radiant panel and baseboard heaters includes the Model WJA bathroom heater above. It features a louvered grille engineered to direct the fan-forced heat down to the floor. Having a capacity of 1320 watts and operating on 110 volts, unit can be located anywhere in bathroom.

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AB15196—STEEL GARAGE DOOR—HILTON, BOOTH 172—Southern States Iron Roofing Co., Dept. AB, Louisville Rd. and Stiles Ave., Savannah, Ga. Made of 24-gauge steel, this Stanley door is factory zine-coated, Bondarite treated and prime-painted, ready for finish coat of paint. All joints are welded and there are bronze bushings or ball bearings at all bearing surfaces. Four standard sizes.

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**TABLE TOP ELECTRIC WATER HEATER**—Combustion Engineering, Inc., Dept. AB, 911 West Main St., Chattanooga 3, Tenn. The new deluxe Heatmaster table top water heater has top connections and a new back design that mean fast installation. One of largest table top heaters, it holds 52 gal., is 24 in. square, 36 in. high. Tank is electric-welded—no threaded water connections.

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**AB15140 — SASHLESS WINDOW**—Ernest Pierson Co., Dept. AB, 4100 Broadway, Eureka, Calif. Having no hardware except a pull-latch that locks open or closed glass firmly in place, low-cost window consists merely of two panes of %4 in. crystal glass sliding in a frame of 2 x 6 in. redwood. Frame has inside trim for wallboard or plaster—outside for siding or stucco. Twenty-three sizes are available by combining standard units.

**AB15267 — FRONT END LOADER**—The Jaeger Machine Company, Dept. AB, Columbus 16, Ohio. The Jaeger “Load Plus” 1 cu. yd. front-end loader (Model LP-100), shown here, is furnished standard with torque converter, power steering, and double-acting hydraulic rams. It has 5,000 lbs. static load capacity and a 14-ft. turning radius, 12-in. ground clearance, 5 forward speeds to 18.7 mph, 5 reverse speeds to 20.2 mph.

**AB15269 — BASEBOARD HEATING**—Kritzer Radiant Coils, Inc., Dept. AB, 2901 Lawrence Ave., Chicago 25, Ill. The new Kritzer slope top baseboard is a high-capacity baseboard for hard-to-heat areas, has a slope top designed for greater convection-radiation. Has patented damper and control, adjustable coil support bracket. Damper is manually operated helping to regulate heat output from any point in baseboard run.

**AB15273 — SLIDING GLASS DOOR**—Lanai-Patio Sliding Door Company, Dept. AB, 9015 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif. The All Vision Lanai-Patio sliding door has vertical members of extruded aluminum, hardwood Ash top and bottom rails. %4 in. diameter sealed stainless steel ball-bearing sheaves, cadmium-plated steel track, removable sliding sections, tracks for sliding sections, is completely weatherstripped.

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**AB15138 — AWNING WINDOWS**—E. T.Invoice Window, Dept. AB, 26 Huston St., Barberton, O. Newly introduced line of awning-type windows can be installed singly, in ribbons or stacked. Equipped with either a gear operator or 2-point folding push bar, units come in wide size range with choice of single glazing, removable double glazing, single, or louvers. Frames are Ponderosa Pine or California Redwood; include Fiberglas screen panel.

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**AB15272 — HORIZONTAL FURNACE**—Kaustine Furnace & Tank Corp., Dept. AB, Perry, N. Y. Horizontal model OH125, shown here, is suspended unit for heating buildings where floor space is limited, has combustion chamber and radiator of all-welded steel “Teardrop” design presenting 35 sq. ft. of heated metal to air stream with chrom steel flue box liner, burner and all controls are on front of furnace for easy service.

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SEVEN reasons why STEEL WINDOWS were selected for New York Housing Development

- Mr. Seymour Kaplan, superintendent for General Contractors, S.S. Silberblatt, Inc., lists the reasons why steel windows were chosen for the Forest Houses development. "First," says Mr. Kaplan, "their cost. Steel windows are definitely less expensive than windows of other materials. Second, ease of installation. Steel windows go in in no time. Normally a three-man crew would finish an entire floor—56 to 62 windows—in four hours. Third, strength. Steel windows can take a beating; don't require kid-glove handling. "Next," continues Mr. Kaplan, "we like their wearability. These steel windows will really wear; and are an important part of the complete fire-proofing program for the buildings. Fifth, storm-resistance. I've never heard of any storm damage to any steel windows. Sixth, repairs. On-the-job repairs are simple, inexpensive and few-and-far between. And seventh, manpower. Steel windows require fewer manhours to install, and don't need highly skilled labor. With all these good reasons, it's no wonder we used steel windows," finishes Mr. Kaplan.

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Midget Louver Co. Dept. AB, 6-8 Wall Street, Norwalk, Conn. Midget Louvers are made in chrome and copper as well as aluminum. New 1OM model is lighter in weight (211 lbs.) than the previous 1OM, It is designed for use on jobs where corrosion and fungus growth are a problem. Shown here are the regular louver (left) and the "LD" series. Price range from $5.75 doz. forlear to $1 doz. for rigid. The pump measures 26-in. high by 35-in. diameters. Both are interchangeable to an engine has automatic engine cutoff switch.

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AB15278—CEMENT FINISHING MACHINERY—American Vibrator Co., Dept. AB, 261 Engineering Laboratories, Dept. AB, Box 541, Dayton, Ohio. New 4-cycle Princeton portable generator plant answers demand for more power with less weight, produces vibration absorption neoprene shock hold each fan test at 1500 watts, operates on gas-cored motor, mounting to reduce sound, may be bed for danger spots made of plastics and

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PRODUCTS EXHIBIT IN PRINT

AB15336—FIREPLACE — Heatilator, Inc., Dept. AB, Syracuse 5, N.Y. Equipped with a new pressure-seal damper, this 3-Star Heatilator fireplace is designed especially for air-conditioned homes. By sealing the fireplace throat air-tight, damper prevents escape of costly summer cooling up the chimney, cuts operating costs by reducing load on air-conditioning equipment. In cool weather, damper stops loss of house heat into the flue, prevents chimney down-drafts.

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AB15335—SLIDING DOOR HARDWARE — National Manufacturing Co., Dept. AB, Sterling, Ill. Hanger and rail fits any thickness of door, features 2 distinct styles of hangers—single wheel and 2-wheel adjustable type. Large 1½ in. diameter nylon wheels require no lubrication. Hangers are constructed so that weight of door is equally distributed over the whole axle. Rigid rail is 18 gauge galvanized steel; comes in four lengths.

AB15333—DISAPPEARING STAIRWAY—Bessler Disappearing Stairway Co., Dept. AB, 1900 E. Market St., Akron 5, Ohio. Builders will be interested in the wide line of disappearing stairways of this manufacturer. In today’s small house the buyers needs to have a disappearing stairway to the attic for storage. Stairs are made for floor heights of 7 feet, 7 inches to 16 feet, 1 inch. Stairway is in one piece, slides down.

AB15279—ALUMINUM WINDOW—Michael Flynn Manufacturing Company, Dept. AB, Tabor Rd. and Godfrey Ave., Philadelphia 24, Pa. New Lupton double-hung aluminum window is available in 4 styles according to muntin arrangement and in 25 sizes from 2 ft. 1½ in. to 3 ft. 8½ in. widths and lengths from 3 ft. 1½ in. to 5 ft. 9½ in. Constructed of all aluminum with stainless steel weather-stripping, sash balances are concealed.
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AB15376 — GAS FIRED OUTDOOR INCINERATOR — In cineration Div; Bow ser, Inc.; Dept. AB, Sycamore at 42nd St., Cairo, Ill. Designed for the new home market and other areas where Type A chimneys do not exist this incinerator is to be used out of doors. This model has two bushel capacity and is equipped with a 12,000 Btu input gas-fired burner. The manufacturer claims that the unit will consume all the trash and garbage in three quarters of an hour.

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**PRODUCTS EXHIBIT IN PRINT**

**AB15374—WARM AIR BASEBOARD REGISTERS** — Thermo Base Div., Ger win Industries, Inc., Dept. AB, Michigan City, Ind. The new model of the Thermo Base baseboard registers for warm air heating now feature removable fronts and new slotted openings. Available as an extra is a spring loaded balancing damper. The units are manufactured in eight, five, and three foot lengths. The units are equally adapted to old as well as new work.

**AB15224—RADIAL SAW** — American Woodworking Machinery Co., Dept. AB, 100 Liberty St., Hackettstown, N. J. New “Uni-Point” radial saw incorporates “one-point cutting” principle: saw blade always cuts the same point in the center of the table for straight cross or bevel cross cutting, miters or compound miters to the right or left. Fewer adjustments, quicker setups and higher production result, maker says.

**AB15327—VENTILATING HOOD** — Vent-A-Hood, Dept. AB, 1903 Plantation Rd., Dallas, Tex. Vent-A-Hood cooking ventilator is designed to cover the entire cooking surface, catching and holding cooking heat, grease and steam while “Magic-Lung” removes them. Comes in a variety of models and styles including under-cabinet type. Choose from white, standard colors, bronze, copper, gold, and silver-tone, antique copper.

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**AB15393 — CEDAR SIDEWALL SHAKE PANEL—** Canadian Forest Products Ltd., Dept. AB, 9110 Milton St., Vancouver 14, B. C., Canada. “DriHome” Sidewall Shake Panels are 37 in. in width, will be available in either unstained, prime-coated or regular heavy DriHome color coating, can be applied over wood undercoursing or on wood or composition sheathing, contains no metal, no special tools or corners required.

**AB15391 — IN-A-WALL DISPOSAL UNIT—** Incinerator Products Co., Dept. AB, 633 So. Post St., Detroit 17, Mich. “Chore Boy” in-a-wall disposal unit is made for use in concrete block, brick, or poured concrete construction. Factory assembled, the complete cabinet is set by the master contractor in the base of the same flue which serves furnace, will consume all combustible materials, is gas fired.
PRODUCTS EXHIBIT IN PRINT

AB15292—PACKAGE DOOR UNIT—
One-Der Frame Corporation, Dept. AB,
1232 No. 37th Place, Birmingham, Ala.
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frame, wood door and hardware. Stand
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exterior and interior, both double-action
and double doors.

AB15389—BEVIL-DEVIL ALL PURPOSE SET—Kimball Manufacturing Co.,
Evanston, Ill. This new Bevil-Devil All
Purpose set contains one tool for slicing,
another for grooving and a third for bevel-
ing or rabbeting. Set up all three tools at
start of job and use whichever is required.
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ing blades or attaching parts is saved. Price
includes 3 tools, beveling and rabbeting
attachments, 5 blades.

AB15215—MASONRY PRIMER
SEALER—The American Sta-Dri Com-
pany, Dept. AB, Brentwood, Md. Added to
the manufacturer’s line of masonry finishes
and treatments is a new primer sealer for
all surfaces and for all paint finishes. The
primer sealer brings all surfaces to uni-
form porosity so that no ghost images or
variations in sheen of the finish occur. On
most surfaces one coat of the primer sealer
is sufficient.

AB15216—POST OFFICE LOCK
BOXES—American Device, Dept. AB,
Steeleville, Ill. These post office lock boxes
are made in various sizes and arranged to-
gether in 11 inch modules so they nest to
form a perfect rectangular cabinet. In the
last few years builders have installed such
equipment in hospitals, industrial plants,
schools, and colleges, where safe keeping
of mail is desired. Other post office equip-
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AB15289—NAILS IN CANS—Nichols
Wire & Aluminum Co., Dept. AB, 1725
Rockingham Rd., Davenport, Iowa. For
easier handling and use, Nichols is pack-
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sealed metal and fiber cans which have a
patented pullstring opener. A color code
identifies each of the 14 different types of
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AB15287—BONDING PLASTER—Nu-
Wall Mfg. Co., Dept. AB, 3100 W. State
St., Milwaukee 8, Wis. Without costly
preparation this plaster adheres to cracked,
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Tentative Program

Annual NAHB Convention, Chicago, Illinois
January 16-20, 1955

Sunday, January 16
1:00 P.M. Opening of Exhibits at Conrad Hilton and Sherman Hotels
2:30 P.M. Nominating Committee (open meeting)
4:00 P.M. Resolutions Committee (open meeting)

Monday, January 17
9:30 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Hilton Presiding: E. G. Hughes, President, NAHB
Inauguration and Salute to Flag: Joseph Haverstick, Acting Convention Chairman
Presentation of Charter to Ladies Auxiliary: G. Hughes, President
Address: Joseph Haverstick, Acting Convention Chairman
Address: Paul L. Bjerke, Glendale, Calif.
Address: Merchandising Committee—Practical Builder
Address: Maintenance Home Work—American Builder
Address: L. E. Kinnear, Jackson, Miss.

Congress 5. FHA-VA Construction Requirements
Participating Members: William J. Haverstick, Assistant, FHA; C. E. Ford, FHA; and others

Wednesday, January 19
9:30 A.M. Opening Feature: Edward McMillan, Executive Director
9:30 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Hilton Presiding: Robert A. Bready, Baltimore, Md.
Presentation of Awards: Presentation of NAHB Educational Awards
Community Facilities Panel Address: Dr. Charles P. Rambo, Washington, D.C.

Hilton 1. Shop Talk Session
Address: E. G. Hughes, President
Address: W. S. Smith, El Cerrito, Calif.

Sherman 2. How To Build Your Business with Public Relations
Leader: Frank Jenks, Darko Engineering, Seattle, Wash.

Congress 9. Examining Our Financial Position
Leader: A. E. Brockbank, Boise, Idaho

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Thursday, January 20
9:30 A.M. GENERAL SESSION
Hilton Presiding: "How-To-Do-It!" Circus
Leader: C. E. Ford, FHA
Leader: Earl Smith, El Cerrito, Calif.

3:00 P.M. Presentation of new NAHB President

6:45 P.M. Annual Banquet

PRODUCTS EXHIBIT

AB15295 — FOLDING STAIRWAY—Precision Parts Corp., Dept. AB, 400 N. First St., Nashville, Tenn. The Simplex Stairway is made of no. 1 kiln-dried lumber, has balanced action. Bolts and screws secure all parts; no nails are used. A frame is furnished and fits a 26 by 54-in. opening in the ceiling. A special size is available for use in prefabricated houses using roof truss construction.

AB15390 — SIDING AND SHINGLE CUTTER—Texas Foundries, Inc., Dept. AB, Lufkin, Texas. The new "Monarch" siding and shingle cutter is lightweight and stronger and better balanced for carrying ease, cuts square and clean. Tooling knives are ground to a V-edge, cutting action minimizes shingle breakage. Will handle full range of shingle thicknesses, has notching and punching incorporated as part of main handle.

AB15261 — VENTILATORS—Hamlin Products, Inc., Dept. AB, 802 Rice St., Little Rock, Ark. Hamlin foundation and cornice ventilators are die cast from properly alloyed aluminum, are packaged one dozen to a carton, and all models are equipped with 8 mesh aluminum screens. Model 408, shown above, is 8x16 in. size. Model 404, not shown, is 4x16 in. size.

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AB15251 — FLUSH WALL RADIO — Flush Wall Radio Co., Dept. AB, 1012 Cleveland St., Clearwater, Fla. Retailing at $43.50, this radio designed to be built in the wall is a 5-tube AC-DC Superheterodyne. The plastic panel can be selected to match the room's color scheme, comes in ivory, white and Mandarin red. The panel size is 7 1/2 in. by 11 3/4 in. Antenna wire of 20 feet is included. Licensed by R.C.A. and approved by UL.


AB15263 — INVISIBLE HINGE — Soss Manufacturing Company, Dept. AB, 21777 Hoover Rd., Box 38, Harper Station, Detroit, Mich. Soss Invisible Hinges are ideal for use on doors that conceal "built-in" TV sets, radios, phonographs, miniature bars, wall safes, etc. The Soss Hinge has no protruding hinge butt. Entire hinge is completely hidden from view when doors or lids are closed, almost impossible to detect.

AB15266 — WINDOW LIFTS — The H. B. Ives Company, Dept. AB, New Haven, Conn. Window lift, shown above, doubles as drawer or sliding door pull, comes in choice of extruded aluminum or solid extruded brass. Lift shown is a companion piece for firm's WeatherTite Sash Lock, and is available in all standard finishes and in 1 1/2- and 3-in. width sizes. Firm also makes sliding door pulls and shutter holdbacks.

AB15274 — SLIDING DOOR HARDWARE — Lawrence Brothers, Inc., Dept. AB, Sterling, Ill. Unit-packaged sets of the series "GOO" sliding-door hardware are available including track and hardware. Doors from 3/4- to 1 3/4-in. thick and openings up to 10 ft. can be accommodated. Track is extruded aluminum, has non-derailing feature. Hangers are plated, pressed steel. They carry single or double self-lubricating nylon rollers.

AB15268 — METAL CROSS BRIDGING — Junior-Pro Products Co., Dept. AB, 3206 Morganford Rd., St. Louis 16, Mo. Chan-L-Cross metal cross bridging is designed to save builders time and money, by arriving at the job site ready for quick installation. It eliminates the work of sawing and fitting of wood, and has patented flanged braces to make bridging extra rigid and strong. Made of 1/8-in. by 16-gauge strip steel.

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The mezzanine living room is up five steps from the level of the entrance, kitchen and dining room. The raised room gives an air of seclusion that people like. The continuous ceiling from the living room through dining room creates an 11-foot, 6-inch height that has impact on buyers.
Here's how Robert Buzen handles split level details

Cross section at right indicates how splitting "Space Setter" house the long way creates five levels, making maximum use of every inch of space, yet presents conventional appearance. Framing is standard, with one foot overhang at front. Strip dormer at rear with 5/12 pitch creates space for two top-level bedrooms.
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107—ARISLIDE ALUMINUM SLIDING WINDOWS, a new line for residential and commercial use, are shown in a new catalog containing specifications and installation data. Michel & Pfeffer Iron Works, Inc., 212 Shaw Rd., South San Francisco, Calif.

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110—METAL AND PLASTIC TILES in a multitude of shades are exhibited in a new catalog. Tile classifications and dimensions, remodeling ideas, standard colors and suggested trim colors are listed together with tile accessories such as tile cutter, mastic and tool kit. Vikon Tile Corp., Washington, N.J.

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The New Tax Law Explained—

Code now permits, or has made more advantageous, tax deductions for:

1. Interest under an installment purchase contract
2. A reserve for estimated future expenses
3. Net operating loss

The Federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, which went into effect last August, is almost six months old. Taxpayers and their representatives still are studying its various provisions carefully to ascertain proper interpretations and available tax savings devices. Some changes in the Law already have been shown to be desirable. Undoubtedly, during the present session of the Congress, many amendments to the new Code will be considered.

Generally all interest accrued or paid during a taxable year is an allowable deduction. The new Code expressly states this to be the case. (Section 163.) However, the former law and regulations did not recognize a deduction for interest under an installment purchase contract which, as customarily was the practice, provided for a carrying charge but did not separately itemize the interest. This now has been changed.

Deduction figured at 6 per cent of average of unpaid balance

The new Code, in Section 163, permits a deduction for interest where personal property is purchased on an installment contract basis and where the carrying charge is separately stated but the interest cannot be ascertained. This Section says that in that event the interest and the deduction shall be taken to be six per cent of the average unpaid balance under the contract during the taxable year. The average unpaid balance is defined as the sum of the balances on the first day of each month during the taxable year, divided by 12.

The former law and regulations did not permit any deduction by way of a reserve for estimated future expenses except for depreciation and for bad debts. Whether the taxpayer was on a cash or accrual basis he could not take such expenses into account unless, if, on the accrual basis, he had become liable to make them, or, if on a cash basis, he had paid them. The law has been changed to confer a benefit on taxpayers on an accrual basis. However, no such benefit has been made available on a cash basis.

Taxpayers must estimate future expenses with "reasonable accuracy"

In this connection the new Code, in Section 462, provides that a taxpayer may take as a deduction a reasonably accurate estimate of future expenses attributable to the income of the trade or business during the taxable year. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is empowered to issue regulations on the subject and to regard the excessive-ness of any reserve as taxable income. The Statute, in requiring the taxpayer to estimate "with reasonable accuracy," undoubtedly calls for an estimate in line with his previous experience of expenditures.

This new Section has a particularly advantageous application in the home building field. Assume, for example, that to maintain good will, or because of some warranty or service policy, a home builder normally has spent $50 per house on minor adjustments or repairs after completion or sale. Under the former law and regulations, no deduction could be had until the taxpayer had spent money on adjustments or at least knew what repairs were necessary and had become liable for them. Under the new Code, an accrual basis taxpayer may claim a deduction in the amount normally spent on adjustments and repairs, in this example $50 per house, as soon as the sale is completed.

Carryback for net operating loss extended to two years

The net operating loss deduction features under the former law and regulations have been continued by the new Code. However, some changes have been made which are helpful to taxpayers. Section 172 of the new Code provides that a net operating loss for any taxable year ending after December 31, 1953, may be carried back over the two preceding years and may be carried forward over the next five years. Previously, the carry back had been limited to one year. The loss, of course, must be carried to the earliest of the seven taxable years which may be involved.

Several important modifications have been made in the method of computing the amount of the loss. Again, these are beneficial to taxpayers. One of these changes involves the treatment to be accorded a loss sustained on the sale of a fixed asset. Previously, such a loss, except by a corporation, was not regarded as "net operating loss" as required by the statute. For example, an individual sustaining a loss in connection with the sale of an apartment building, which he held as an investment, was not thought to have suffered a "net operating loss." The new Code makes it clear that all such losses are to be treated as within the category under discussion.
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What does the lender expect?

He has three basic requirements: adequate collateral, good credit risk, a reasonable return on investment.

After the house is sold, he expects followup by the builder. Repeated, unattended complaints destroy the lender's confidence in the builder.

By Joseph Nowicki  
Loan Officer,  
Chicago Federal Savings and Loan Association

The lender, in financing the construction or purchase of a new home, has three basic requirements. First, that he has adequate collateral (the completed house) to secure a loan. Second, that the builder or purchaser be a good credit risk. Third, that he receives a reasonable return on the investment. Let's review each of these requirements independently.

Adequate collateral

The term "adequate collateral" covers a very broad field, parts of which were covered in previous installments. Essentially, it embraces a readily salable house at a reasonable market price, and a reasonable equity or investment on the part of the builder or purchaser.

Many factors contribute toward establishing a readily salable house. These are: LOCATION—suitably located for schools, churches, shopping facilities, transportation and away from detrimental influences such as dirt, noise or high speed traffic. PLANS—a good and complete set of house plans and specifications is essential. They must be suitable for the lot, not an overimprovement and not an underimprovement; in other words, compatible with the surrounding area.

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Structural soundness—that which will endure with a minimum of maintenance. You may ask, what have these to do with adequate collateral? Simply this. A well planned, well constructed house is more readily salable and, in turn, a more desirable investment for the lender. Consequently, it will influence a better loan commitment.

Reasonable market price—is determined to a great extent by the "typical home purchaser." He is a composite, hypothetical person who will react to a house in the same way that a large group of prospective buyers would react. An exorbitant price tag will discourage him and, of course, require added effort and expense in order to complete a sale.

Equity—the builder's equity, represented by his investment in the land, cash outlay or labor going into the construction of the house. The purchaser's equity is represented by the down payment over and above the mortgage. Equity is the incentive to complete the building, and, from the purchaser's viewpoint, to maintain the building and a prompt payment record to protect his investment.

In so far as the contractor is concerned, the lender requires assurance that the builder can complete the construction of the house and that he has sufficient capital to pay all bills over and above the proceeds of the construction loan. Ability to complete construction is usually determined by past performance and recommendations of former customers and sub-contractors. Capital is cash on hand and investment in land or equipment.

When the completed building is offered for sale, it is advisable for the builder to "screen" his prospective purchasers to determine if they can qualify for the permanent purchase loan. To sell a building without qualifying the purchaser under the three C's may prove to be costly and time consuming and possible loss of better qualified purchasers.

The "three C's" are:

CAPITAL—The down payment representing the difference between the maximum loan available and the total purchase price, plus loan expenses.

CAPACITY—The purchaser's ability to meet his obligations, his present income, family status, age, (long term loans are not always available to older purchasers) other outstanding obligations and, other assets,—in other words, a man's credit standing.

CHARACTER—Past performance in payment of debts, integrity, standing in his community and with his employer.

... "it is advisable for the builder to 'screen' his prospective purchasers ... under the three C's—CAPITAL, CAPACITY AND CHARACTER" ...
Mortgage Financing

Capital is easy enough to determine but capacity and character may be a little difficult for the builder to determine. A “rule of thumb” measure that may be helpful in determining capacity is (maximum loan a purchaser can assume) two to two and a half times the annual gross income or loan payments not to exceed twenty to twenty-five per cent of gross income.

I might add, that many times the prospective purchaser may not qualify for the maximum loan available because of insufficient earning capacity. From the lender’s viewpoint, the risk involved in making a mortgage loan is not in sustaining a loss in event of foreclosure but rather that the borrower may default. The emphasis is on considering the borrower as a first line of defense and the collateral security as the second line of defense.

Character

Evaluation of character is even more difficult. However, a rule of thumb measure would be a sharp lookout for type of questions which are asked concerning a community. Inquiries as to location of church or organization such as Kiwanis, Lions, P.T.A. and Scouts are potential indications of sound character.

If the down payment, the capacity to repay the loan and character are evident, it then passes to the lender to determine if the purchaser is an acceptable risk. So much for credit.

Reasonable return

Interest rates below those established by state laws and financing charges are pretty much determined by the amount of risk involved. (Except FHA and VA loans which are determined by law.) The greater the risk the greater the interest rate and financing charges. Poor locations, inadequate plans, cheap construction, and border-line credit risks cause higher rates and charges. So it is wise to plan ahead and consult with the lender before buying a site and choosing a plan. As previously mentioned, the supply of money is also one of the most important factors in influencing interest rates.

Red tape is something we all shy away from. No one likes to fill out forms and builders are no different from any one else. However, it is a necessity to guard against possible losses and to comply with legal requirements. The mechanics lien law requires the contractor to submit to the owner or lender a detailed contractor’s sworn statement of cost and full waivers of lien for all monies advanced. The builder who complains about undue delays in processing of a loan may have himself to blame because of an incomplete presentation.

Conclusion

For the home buyer, the purchase of a new house is about the most important investment he will make in his lifetime. He has a certain amount of pride in his purchase. It is just natural to expect a degree of perfection in any new article, be it a house, car or just a pair of shoes. A new house is like a new car which requires a period of “breaking in” in order to locate the bugs and make the necessary adjustments so that it will give maximum performance. The failure to complete the minor items or make adjustments has a most damaging effect on the the new home purchaser.

The subsequent complaints to the lender tend to destroy the lender’s confidence in the builder, and repeated complaints may force the lender to cease financing any of the builder’s houses. This is one of the major reasons lenders are cautious in their selection of builders they are willing to finance. A satisfied customer is your best advertisement and helps establish your reputation as a good builder. A period of difficult times may be ahead, and only those builders who have gained a good reputation will survive to continue their building operations.

We have covered much ground in a short space. What would be interesting, is for a builder to discuss what he expects from a lender besides larger and longer term loans. This business of producing a house is a co-operative venture—one person dependent on another. Without the builder, the lender could not survive.

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- The buyer comes in and says, “I’m ready to move in.”
- The builder says, “I’m ready to have you move in.”
- How much money has changed hands at this point?

By ALEX G. FLAX, CPA
of Flax, Ziegler, Shifris & Co., Chicago

This question is certainly a major one and arises in every negotiation between builder and buyer. The answer to it lies in a careful and separate record kept by the builder of the financial structure of the job as it affects the buyer. This account with the buyer should be set up when the contract is signed and downpayment received. By means of it, the closing out of the sale with the buyer becomes routine procedure, involving a minimum of calculation for settlement at the time of delivery of the keys.

The standard form shown here will do the job very well, but any similar arrangement can be used. It must cover all details relating to these factors: (1) sales price, (2) downpayment, (3) proceeds from the lending institution. Note that on the form above, these factors are keyed A, B, and C. These key letters are necessary for making quick identification of each posting. For instance, the first posting shown here, $100 on September 16, keyed as “C,” was a downpayment deposit by the buyer. So was the $900 on September 21. The “B” item of $3,000 on October 18 represented proceeds from the interim construction loan. This device of keyed postings thus makes it easy to tell who owes what when the time comes to close the account with the buyer.

Account gets same job number as on builder’s books

Don’t forget to include space for the buyer’s name, address and telephone number and fill in this information as soon as the account is opened. The account should be given the same number the job carries elsewhere on the builder’s books. The column marked “Fol.” is a posting reference to the Cash Received journal.

The credits to this account with the buyer originate in the builder’s Cash Received journal (described in these pages last month). They consist of earnest money deposit and payments on balance of downpayment, proceeds from the construction or mortgage loan and the (Continued on page 296)
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The fireplace is constructed of masonry and metal and is practically independent of the rest of the building. The two sidewalls of the fireplace, up to the metal hood, are built up of fire-resistant block against the inside face of the building wall without bonding into the old.

The 12 gauge black iron hood is framed at its bottom face with continuous 2x2x1/4-inch angles welded to form a triangle. These are bolted to clip angles which, in turn, are anchored to the masonry wall.

The smoke stack, built of the same material, is secured to the top of the hood and extends through the roof line the required distance. The bottom portion of this stack is exposed in the grill just below the furred ceiling. The wood framing of the roof and the suspended ceiling are kept a minimum of six inches away from the face of the stack as it extends upward through the roof. A metal collar and flashing closes up this opening at the roof line.

The design of the metal smoke shelf and the metal fireplace back is positioned at right angles to the hood, allowing approximately eight inches for the opening to the flue. This arrangement makes for good combustion and prevents the possibility of a back draft.
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An old product put to new use

Taking a standard flush door and using it as a sliding table is something that is completely new. This was done in the house shown on the opposite page.

In this case, two tables of equal size were built: one in the kitchen which is fixed, and the other of a sliding type in the dining room. An opening in the wall between the two rooms is made a trifle wider than the table so that it can slide easily. This opening is fitted with a counter balanced door which slides into a pocket above.

The fixed table in the kitchen consists of a slab of one-inch thick plywood finished with a Formica top. On the edge of both sides of this table is inserted a brass track on which the roller operates. This roller is screwed to the underside of the door table.

The top of the sliding door table is placed at normal height above the floor. The height of the fixed table in the kitchen conforms to the other with a built-up solid leg at the open end.

A two-inch thick member, the width of the table, is placed against the end which is extended. The built-up leg, with casters screwed to the bottom face, is finished flush with the horizontal member. The end of the table is finished in the same material as the wall. When the table is retracted, the horizontal face and the leg fit into a slot in the wall flush with the wall paneling.

A built-in seat, the full length of the table, is provided on the wall of both the kitchen and the dining room. The seat and back of the dining room unit are finished with upholstered leather, with the seat in the kitchen conforming to the finish of the table.
FIRST STEP in a new and economical method of installing wood floors over concrete, without the use of sub-flooring. Use an asphalt mastic for bonding wood to concrete. The mastic is applied hot in the conventional manner, either over the entire surface of the slab, or in “rivers” along predetermined lines where screeds are to be placed. If the latter procedure is followed, apply the mastic about ¼-inch thick. If mastic is placed over the entire slab, spread it ⅛-inch thick. A notched trowel facilitates level spreading.

Here’s a new way to lay wood floors on concrete

Until recently, the customary practice in laying hardwood floors over concrete was to employ wood subflooring as a nailing base. While this was excellent construction, it was comparatively expensive. The subflooring then was nailed to screeds which were embedded and anchored into the concrete by means of mechanical fasteners.

Now this has all been changed. A faster and more economical method has been developed which retains the inherent advantage of the other type—warm, dry and comfortable floors.

This new method eliminates the need for wood subfloors. The finished floor is nailed directly into the wood screeds, which, in turn, are imbedded into asphaltic mastic spread in a generous layer over the concrete slab. The 2x4-inch screeds are arranged in a staggered pattern in lengths up to 48 inches and with rows spaced 12 inches on center. This provides plenty of nailing surface for the finished flooring.

START LAYING the screeds immediately after the mastic has been spread. Use dry 2x4s treated with an approved wood preservative. Do not treat them with creosote or other material which might bleed through the nail holes and stain the hardwood floor. FHA requirements specify screeds from 18 to 30 inches long. Where FHA is not involved, lengths up to 48 inches can be used. In either event, be sure to use random lengths rather than uniform lengths to permit staggering of end joints. Embed the screeds firmly into the mastic with the flat side down and placed at right angles to the proposed direction of the hardwood flooring. Arrange them in a staggered pattern, with the rows spaced 12 inches on centers and with the end joints in each row overlapped at least four inches.

The fact that there has been an abundance of construction in recent years of homes built on concrete slabs laid directly over the ground, spotlights the importance of an effective floor finish. Hardwood provides a measure of insulating value to the floor construction, in addition to the moisture barrier under the slab. It also has a resilience that overcomes the uncomfortable hardness of concrete.

The accompanying photographs illustrate the step by step procedure, from the application of the hot mastic to the sanding of the wood surface in preparation for the finish. It will be noted that wide base plates under the wall studs are used to good advantage. This provides an excellent nailing surface for the flooring ends and adds to the rigidity of the installation. In general, the floor is laid in the customary manner. Care needs to be exercised, however, to make sure that each piece bears on at least two screeds and to avoid close grouping of end joints.

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HARDWOOD FLOORING can be laid as soon as the screeds are in place. Use tongueed and grooved flooring only, never the square edge type. Flooring should be at least 1/4-inch thick. In general, the flooring is laid in the customary manner, with the first course about one-inch from the wall studs or the plaster line. Make sure that each piece bears on at least two screeds. Wire and steel cut flooring nails meet FHA requirements, but screw type nails are preferred because of their holding power. It is of utmost importance to nail the flooring to both screeds wherever a strip passes over lapped screeds. Since the flooring is side and end-matched, all joints need not meet over the screeds. Avoid having adjoining strips, however, break over the same screed space. Lay out a few courses in advance of nailing to avoid close grouping of the end joints.

PROVIDE at least a one-inch clear space between the ends of the screeds and the base plate at both sides of the room. This space will allow for the normal expansion of the finish flooring due to temperature and humidity changes. This is necessary as a safeguard against buckling or cupping of the floor and pressure on the walls which otherwise might develop from lateral expansion of the flooring. Note how the use of random length screeds result in staggered end joints.

SAND CAREFULLY and thoroughly to a smooth, even surface, removing all dirt and mastic. Finish according to any of the accepted methods. A penetrating type floor seal gives a particularly durable finish. Be sure to apply at least the first coat of finish on the day of the final sanding to prevent raising of the grain. Mastic on the surface of the finished floor can be easily removed with a floor cleaner. Conclude with two coats of a solvent-type paste or liquid wax.
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How to apply corner bead the easy way

Build this jig to help you put on corner bead. Take two pieces of 1x2 each about 1 foot long. Cut one end of each piece so that they are tongued and grooved. Drive a nail through the joint of the tongue and groove so that the two pieces hinge. Nail on each of the pieces a section of wood of a width deep enough to account for the thickness of surface finish you intend to apply. A 3/8- or 1/2-inch piece of wood will be sufficient for a plaster surface over rock lath. Nail each of these pieces of wood several inches away from the hinge. Place corner bead on corner of wall. Fit the jig around the corner enclosing the corner bead. The jig will automatically determine placement of the corner bead so that the bead will be of correct depth to take a plaster finish. Tack corner bead in place. Run jig down corner a few feet and repeat operation.

—W. Kraatz, Santa Cruz, Calif.

Keep joints of wood gutter butted closely

When you apply wood gutters, cut sheet-metal strips the thickness of a sawcut and 1 inch wide and 3 inches long. Cut a 1/2-inch deep slot in the ends of each piece of wood gutter to be butted together. Make this cut 1/2 inch from the bottom edge. Insert the metal strip in the slot and apply oil and calking compound to the ends. Then join the ends and tap tight. The metal strip inserted in the first piece will facilitate perfect alignment of the second piece, will prevent shifting and will create a tight-fitting joint.

—W. Kraatz, Santa Cruz, Calif.

Setting ceramic tile? Clean them this way

Immediately after ceramic tile has been set and the joints grouted, sprinkle dry cement and then sawdust all over the tile surface. Then take an old sack and rub off dry cement and sawdust. This will clean the tile surfaces completely. After sawdust and dry cement have been removed, polish tiles with clean burlap.

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Make this scribing guide

When scribing off a number of long planks, chances are that you will get splinters in your hand. To eliminate this annoyance completely, take two short pieces of scrap and nail them together at right angles to one another. Cut off one edge of the guide to the length desired for marking purposes. Place the scribing guide over the edge of the work and mark all planks to be ripped without danger of splinters.

—H. E. Fey, New Braunfels, Texas

How to fit plywood cabinet doors

If you need to install flush-type cabinet doors, cut a single piece of plywood to fit the entire opening. Allow \( \frac{1}{16} \) inch for clearance. Draw a center line as a guide for later cutting of plywood into doors.

Saw along the center line from the top to a depth of about \( \frac{1}{2} \) the length of the future doors. Do not saw all the way through. Make another saw cut along the guide line from the bottom.

Fit the entire piece of plywood into place. Install hinges. Use a hand saw to cut the remaining portion along the guide line to separate the doors.

—K. L. Hart, Aurora, Colo.
how would you do it?

Ideas for the man on the job

Wood fascia for corrugated roofing

The overhanging eave of a roof made with corrugated metal bends easily out of shape, particularly when a ladder is placed against it. Make a wood fascia for the overhanging eave to make the corrugated roofing rigid and to give the eave line a more attractive appearance.

Use the end of a piece of corrugated material for marking. Place the fascia board flat and stand the corrugated material upright upon it for marking. The cut may be slanted upward slightly to correspond with the roof slope. Nail the fascia board to the corrugated roofing from above with galvanized nails.

—A. N. Nelson, Kansas City, Mo.

How to put in a soffit

Before placing any fascia boards at the cornice, rout out the fascia to a depth of $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch, and at a desired height. If you do not have a router, saw kerfs will do just as well. Installing a soffit in this way will eliminate the need for moldings on the fascia side and will have a better finished appearance. You will be able to handle long lengths of plywood more easily even though you are working alone since the groove will practically hold the soffit by itself. If your overhang is under one foot, lookouts will not be needed provided that $\frac{3}{8}$-inch plywood or better is used.

—G. C. David, Perth Amboy, N. J.
For a hip roof: One truss or many?

Would you suggest a design for trussed rafters for a hip roof with 24-inch spacing between trusses and for spans of 24 and 26 feet?

E. E. M., Springfield, Ill.

For a building 24x26 feet, the use of one truss into which the rest of the hip roof is framed is probably simpler and more economical for you, as an individual builder, to construct than it would be for you to build a series of trusses. Each of the series of trusses would have to be carefully engineered and built to create the proper pitches required by you for your hip-roofed building. As many as five different trusses are often necessary to build a hip roof. (See page 54, July, 1954, American Builder.) Use the method shown in the illustration. Note that three 2x14 pieces are framed into the truss as a ridge beam, and then 2x6's are placed 16 inches on center and are framed in. The truss itself is made with 2x8's and 2x6's and with splitting connectors.

Repairing cracked stucco

I have to repair a stucco house that is badly cracked. The stucco itself is not loose. It is believed that the cracks were caused by using a poor grade of sand. Is there any way to cover the cracks without restuccoing so that the surface can be painted?

H. P., Bayfield, Colo.

Cut out the cracks with a tool called a "re-entrant angle." The use of this tool will scrape out loose particles of stucco and will leave a groove like the one pictured and called a "re-entrant." Brush the re-entrant with a thin grout of Portland cement and water to provide a glue. Within 30 minutes, fill cracks with a 1-3 cement-sand mixture. Finish smoothing cracks with a small block of soft pine. If cracks are tiny, fill with white lead paste stiffened with whiting.

After the material used to fill cracks is dry, apply first-quality "oil base" masonry paint. The "oil" is used in distinction to water-base paints. Actually, the prime coat would contain an alkali-resistant resin vehicle, the finish coat a vehicle of alkyd resin, because it has the greatest resistance to sunlight of all the available materials.

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What size I-beams should I use?

Will you please tell me what correct size and weight I-beam is required to support a 28-foot span, flat built-up roof? The building is to be 28 feet wide by 112 feet long. What distance should there be between them?

A. N., Camb. age, Ill.

For a flat roof 28 feet wide with supporting beams placed 14 feet on centers, use 12-inch wide flange 27-pound steel beams. See the plan illustration above which indicates the need for 9 beams with 8 spaces between, each 14 feet wide.

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How to support a stepped footing

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A. B., Philadelphia, Pa.

You must, of course, have a pier to support the upper footing, and it should rest on the footing directly beneath it. Make the pier as wide as the footings themselves. There are two methods that you can use to build the supporting pier. You can either build the pier of concrete blocks, or you can build it of reinforced poured concrete. If you build it of blocks, you must fill the voids of the block with concrete for added rigidity. Whether you choose a poured concrete pier or a concrete block one, both methods will require reinforcing. Carry reinforcing rods through the upper footing and back to a point where fill is undisturbed. Then carry the reinforcing down through the pier and into the lower footing.

K. Roderick O'Neal
Architect

Want a flagpole that tilts for easy painting?

We have a wood flagpole 65 feet above the ground, I have decided to make it a tilting pole to be let down and put up with the use of a truck and a suitable roller mounted on the rear. Enclosed you will find a drawing showing my plans to change the stationary pole into a tilting one. Can you give me any suggestions that will make it a better job?

C. M. S., West Coxsackie, N.Y.

Your plans to change your flagpole into a tilting one are essentially very sound. We would suggest, however, that you use two 3/8-inch round bolts in each locking block. (See the illustration.) Use a 1 1/2-inch round bolt for the pivot and 15-inch channels at 33.9 pounds per foot. The footing should be 3 feet by 3 feet by 16 inches thick. Weld a 3/16-inch 16x16-inch base plate to the channels.

What happened to the sawdust block?

Several years ago I read an article on the use of sawdust in the manufacture of building block. I am very much interested in finding out more about the product. I have been unable to find anything on the subject since.


As far as we can determine, tests were made by the University of Minnesota and the University of New Hampshire about 25 years ago on this type of block.

Apparently, the results of the test were rather negative because very little has been done about this type of block since then. Concerns that get a heavy accumulation of sawdust were seeking a way whereby they might possibly use this material, and the sawdust block seemed to be the answer.

Here are some of the conclusions:

1. The wood fibre in the sawdust has a tendency to swell and it is also subject to freezing and thawing. Consequently, a fixed size cannot be sustained.

2. The sawdust as an aggregate was found to be very unstable.

3. It was found to readily absorb all of the dirt from the air, and it was difficult to clean the block.

These are some of the negative conclusions in relation to the block.
Snow, hail, rain or sleet—copper stands up in any weather. It can never rust, has proved its durability for centuries.

Chase Copper Roofing Products are exceptionally durable. Chase copper gutters, downspouts, elbows and shoes are made of 16 ounce copper or heavier, to withstand the ravages of weather, the weight of snow and ice.

Chase copper leaders have strong, expansion-proof seams—because they're made from generous, full-width copper strips. Corrugations are deep and ample, allow for extreme temperature changes.

Chase Copper Roofing Products can be handled easily, and can be joined by using standard soldering techniques.

Choose Chase Copper Roofing Products, and you're sure of a quality job—one that will last for years. Find out more about Chase Copper Roofing Products by sending for the free Chase Copper Roofing Products Booklet.

Chase Copper adds extra value to any home!
scholz homes... use

**AMES SADDLES**

exclusively...

new low priced **AMES DOOR SADDLES** are priced right for you

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**weatherstrip saddle**

Illustration shows concealed hook

**waterproof saddle**

Supplied with hook and drain plate

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**AMES METAL MOULDING CO., INC.**
225 East 144th Street, New York 51, N. Y.

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**ask the EXPERTS**

Where carpet and linoleum join

We would like to know where to join the carpet and linoleum in the doorway between the living room and kitchen and how to join carpet and hardwood floor between hall and living room. Would you run the carpet through the door openings?

T. H., Joice, Iowa

Where you have carpet in the living room coming in contact with linoleum in the kitchen at the door opening, carry the carpet over to the face of the door at the living room side. In the event that this door swings into the kitchen, then butt the door against the end of the carpet rather than cutting off the bottom stiles and rail of the door to have it clear the carpet.

This same principle holds in regard to the door opening between the living room and the hall. In this case, it would be better if the doors swung into the hall and the carpet was placed against the door on the living room side. If this door swings into the living room, then it would be necessary to cut off the bottom stiles and rail of the door to clear the carpet.

Do I need a flue liner?

Is it necessary to have a flue liner in a chimney when converting from a coal furnace to a gas furnace? The home in question is 35 years old and the chimney faces the weather side of the house. The plastered walls in both rooms downstairs and up where the chimney is located are badly cracked.


The answer is yes. It would be absolutely necessary to install a flue liner in your existing chimney. If it is your idea to retain the present chimney, then it would be necessary to install a 6-inch diameter flue liner dropping each section in from the top. After this is done, it is recommended that the chimney be thoroughly tuck pointed to completely seal any open joints. Converting to gas without a flue liner in the chimney would cause the chimney to quickly deteriorate.
Use Lucke Leakproof Tub Hangers on every job.

Unsightly cracks at tub and floor line make for dissatisfied customers. Sell the Hidden Value behind the tub.

Guarantee your customers leak-proof, crack-proof, expense-proof bathtub installations at both floor line and tub edge.

Write for complete literature.

LUCKE Leakproof Tub Hangers
WM. B. LUCKE, INC.
Box 177 Wilmette, Ill.
Reddi-Mount

Reddi-Mount is the only cylindrical lockset of its kind that installs as one unit!

- Always in perfect alignment
- S-pin cylinder • Brass latch
- Factory Pre-assembled
- Available in solid brass or aluminum trim with concealed screws
- Free-wheeling knob spins when locked

Unlocks automatically by turning inside knob
Fully guaranteed

INTERIOR SETS with matching trim for “Reddi-Mount” available for passage, closet, bedroom and bathroom doors.

This charming home is one of the many models offered to home builders by International Homes of Mineral Ridge, Ohio, manufacturers of quality pre-fabricated homes. The selection of Chesler “Reddi-Mount” locksets in each home package is a convincing testimonial to “Reddi-Mount”’s speed and ease of installation. “Reddi-Mount” is a quality, push-button, trouble-free lock of smart design. Mr. Builder: “Reddi-Mount” will do the job for you, too—economically!
Your profit is here in the
complete "Space Saver" package

Turn your dreams into
PROFITABLE REALITY...

International Homes offers qualified builders a complete package—including one of the fastest-built and fastest-selling homes in the residential sales market.

But—that's not all...

With the "Space Saver" package, International includes a land development planning service, a complete financing program with construction financing and attractive, minimum down payment mortgages. No down payment financing available for many areas. Talk to us about the profitable International Homes program. If you come to Chicago ...

INTERNATIONAL HOMES, INC.
3896 MAHONING AVENUE - YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

We'll see you at the SHOW
Booth 374, Conrad Hilton Hotel

or, write us on your business stationery for complete information on these homes, plus help in planning lower-cost, high-appeal homes.

JANUARY 1955
Illinois Supreme Court Upholds Neighborhood Redevelopment Law

By John F. McCarthy
Attorney at Law

The twin problems of eradicating present slums and preventing the growth of future slums are among the most critical facing our country. Fortunately, there is an increasing awareness of the existence of these problems, their causes and effects. Public officials on all levels—national, state and local,—the press, business leaders and their organizations are thinking about, and taking action on, these problems. Their efforts unquestionably will meet with some success.

There have been various types of legislative enactments authorizing agencies and private enterprise to take steps to eradicate slums and conserve areas which are declining but which have not yet decayed. The Supreme Court of the State of Illinois has just approved the constitutionality of certain forward looking legislation concerned with the problem of preventing the growth of future slums. (See Zisook v Maryland Drexel Neighborhood Redevelopment Corporation, No. 33233.)

The statute in question is known as The Neighborhood Redevelopment Corporation Law. The Law provides for the organization of corporations for business purposes and for profit just as other companies. They may operate in slum areas or in neighborhoods which are declining but which are not yet slums. In the City of Chicago the area of operations must not be less than two city blocks and not more than 160 acres, Elsewhere, the area must not be less than one city block and not more than 40 acres.

Law confers broad powers to private corporations

The Law requires a corporation to adopt a redevelopment plan for the geographic area in which it will operate and confers on the company broad powers to effectuate that plan. Thus, among other things, the corporation may replat streets, acquire and dispose of property, rehabilitate and demolish buildings and construct, rent and sell new properties. The Act gives the company the right to acquire property by condemnation after the owners of 60 per cent of the area affected have consented to the corporation’s redevelopment plan. Under the Law the activities of such corporations are subject to regulation by a commission designated as The Neighborhood Redevelopment Commission.

The particular case referred to was concerned with the application of the Law and the activities of a corporation in a declining neighborhood rather than in a slum area. In sustaining the constitutionality of the Act under those circumstances the Illinois Supreme Court said:

"It is also contended that the 'line of demarcation between a public and private use in the employment of eminent domain to eliminate slum areas must be the elimination rather than the prevention of slums.' But we are aware of no constitutional principle which paralyzes the power of government to deal with an evil until it has reached its maximum development. Nor is there force in the argument that if the use of eminent domain in the prevention of slums is permitted 'every piece of property within the city or State can be condemned to prevent it from becoming a slum.' Legitimate use of governmental power is not prohibited because of the possibility that the power may be abused."

There have been, and will continue to be, many approaches to the solution of the problems of slums and declining neighborhoods by private enterprise. In this connection the success of private enterprise is dependent on the availability and ease in obtaining adequate financing. The federal government has attempted to encourage proper financing by providing for the insurance by FHA of mortgage loans in urban renewal areas under Sections 220 and 221 of The Housing Act of 1954. The adequacy of these vehicles will be the subject of next month’s article in this column.
Houses with G-E Air-Wall Home Heating and Cooling win faster acceptance...produce faster closings...because more of your prospects recognize and have confidence in the G-E name than any other. Surveys prove women are especially sold on G.E. And style-conscious women appreciate the decorator value as well as comfort and convenience of the draft-free G-E Air-Wall system.

G.E. gives you an extra "carry-over", too. Folks have confidence in the quality standards of the builder with the foresight of specifying G-E Home Heating and Cooling.

No other heating and cooling manufacturer can possibly offer you the great "Big Plus" of the famous G-E monogram!

**No Matter What Size or Type of Home You Build—**

**G-E Makes the Right Heating and Cooling Unit For It!**

Why waste money changing designs to accommodate misfit units...when you can choose the system that's "tailored" for just your layout and for the design and location of your houses. Imagine! G.E. offers you an astonishing number of heating and cooling combinations...4784 of them to be exact...based on 50 basic G-E units. This gives your G-E dealer the flexibility that enables him to offer the most efficient heating and cooling combination for the least cost to you. You don't have to undersize or oversize, you use the minimum floor space, or, on some models, no floor space at all.

What's more, every unit is backed fully by G.E.'s one-year warranty (5 years on home cooling unit's sealed-in system)...a protection plan that assures you and your customers of complete satisfaction.

Invite your G-E dealer in to see you today to tell you all the G-E "Big Plus" facts. He's listed in the Yellow Pages of your phone book.

**See our unique display at the**

**NAHB Show**

Booths 98, 99, 100—Conrad Hilton Hotel

**GENERAL ELECTRIC**
Installation of sheathing and insulation to sidewalls is reduced to one operation with the development of a new type of insulation that can be attached easily to 4x8-foot sheathing panels. If builder uses tilt-up system of framing, insulation can be applied to sheathing in same manner.

Here's a new way to apply sidewall insulation

A new-type insulation, produced in compressed form, can be expanded to 4 feet by 8 feet, 3 inches and attached quickly and easily to 4x8-foot sheathing panels before panels are nailed to sidewall studs.

Called "Kimsul XR-48" and manufactured by the Kimberly-Clark Corp. of Neenah, Wis., its advantages include speed of installation, non-interference with duct work, framing members and electrical work, rare occurrence of tearing or damage to vapor barrier and non-popping of nails from sheathing because there is no bulky material on the face of the studs.

The insulation is delivered on the job in small cartons where it is stretched to the desired size and stapled to the sheathing as illustrated below.

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HEATING UNITS

give more value at low cost—

Easy to buy
Easy to install
the best unit for your clients

CENTRAL HEATERS
Forced Air Type — Gas Burners

These compact units require only minimum installation space. Can be set in attic, closet, basement, under the floor, utility room, garage or used as a suspended unit. The unit is complete, no extras to buy. Due to good design and better construction heating and cooling off noises are kept to absolute minimum.

Each heater provides fully automatic and filtered air operation.

All welded combustion chambers are gas tight and provide uniform over-all temperature with no hot spots.

Horizontal models have input ratings of 80,000 Btu/hr. and 110,000 Btu/hr.

Vertical models have input ratings from 65,000 Btu/hr. to 130,000 Btu/hr. in seven sizes.

All models are A.G.A. approved.

WALL HEATERS

The John Zink Radiant Wall Circulator is easy to install. Height 70", width 17½", depth at base 8". Input rating 25,000 Btu/hr. A.G.A. approved.

FLOOR FURNACES

A complete gas fired heating plant A.G.A. approved. Extra heavy construction for longer life, better heat. Made in five sizes with input ratings from 35,000 to 85,000 Btu/hr.

Write for Literature and Builders Plan

JOHN ZINK COMPANY

4401 South Peoria  Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

JANUARY 1955
A VALUE to the HOMES YOU SELL

Woodco E-Zee Loc
Wood Awning Window

NOTHING to ADJUST — NOTHING to GET OUT of ADJUSTMENT

Woodco's 35 years of fine window manufacturing experience has now produced a window that adds prestige and profit to any home you sell. The added value of the Woodco name makes selling easier.

Wood Windows Women Want

Architects, dealers and satisfied homeowners recognize the Woodco E-Zee Loc Wood Awning Window as the finest awning window made; their fine design, ease of operation and long service life make them a must for today's builder who erects and sells a quality home.

Complete Unit on the Job — Save on Installation
- All Factory-Assembled of Selected Klin-Dried Ponderosa Pine Toxic and Water-Repellent Treated
- Double (Pat. Pend.) Vinyl Weatherstripping
- All Glass Bedded in Glazing Compound
- EASY TO LOCK

Use Them On Your Next Project And Notice The Difference!

See Your Lumber Dealer

Woodco Corporation
A Division Of General Woodcraft Co., Inc. — North Bergen, N. J.
3590 N. W. 71st Street — Miami 47, Florida

Rockwell of Randolph, Inc. • Wisc. (Wholesale Millwork Mfg. Dir.)

Sidewall Insulation

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Shipped in compressed form, new-type insulation must be stretched on the job. Two workmen pulling on the ends expand the material to twice its compressed size. Insulation then is folded the long way and stretched again. This process is repeated until the insulation is approximately eight feet, three inches in length. Insulation is stapled flush at the top, 1/2 inch back from panel edges and overhangs at the bottom. Staples are used only to hold insulation in position until panels can be nailed to sidewall.

Sheathing-insulation panel is nailed in the same manner as sheathing without the insulation. Manufacturer says this method of application is much faster than stuffing insulation between studs.
E-Z-SET
SELF-ALIGNING
THROUGH-BOLT
LOCK SETS

E-Z-ier to install
plus
quality and price
that can’t be beat!

Write for literature and prices

NATIONAL
HARDWARE
CORPORATION
OZONE PARK 16,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

E-Z-SET

IMPORTANT BUILDING ECONOMIES—Now, the world's largest plywood organization brings you a revolutionary new concept in building construction. With Weldwood Contact Cement you can put up plywood paneling entirely without nails! Ends nail-setting, puttying and finishing unsightly nail holes. No change in plans needed! No special construction needed. Install plywood panels directly to studs or furring strips.

Add the profitable selling appeal of paneled walls to your new or remodeled construction. Write for detailed information on new Weldwood Contact Cement — the new nail-less way to apply plywood paneling.

NEW WAY TO APPLY MICARTA, ETC.
With Weldwood Contact Cement it’s easier to apply plastic laminates like Micarta — to kitchen counters, bathroom and powder room surfaces, etc. Bonds equally sure on any base.

Weldwood Contact Cement bonds instantly on contact with only roller pressure. No clamps, no presses! Ready to use. Apply with ordinary brush, spreader, or trowel. In cans and drums, at lumber yards, hardware, paint stores. If dealer isn’t yet stocked, write for nearest source of supply.

UNITED STATES PLYWOOD CORP.,
Dept. 265, 55 West 44th St., New York 36

WELDWOOD CONTACT CEMENT

JANUARY 1955
**ALLITH HARDWARE WORKS WITH EQUAL EFFICIENCY ON EITHER CUSTOM OR MILL-MADE DOORS. ALL WORKING PARTS SIMPLE AND STURDY—NO SPRINGS TO STRETCH OR LOOSEN. ALL HARDWARE PARTS INSIDE AND PROTECTED FROM WEATHER. UNIT SHIPPED COMPLETE TO THE LAST SCREW. QUICKLY MOUNT ON THE FIRST PIECE OF STURDY WOOD. ADDAPTABLE FOR ANY TYPE GARAGE.**

**MANUFACTURED BY**

**ALLITH PROUTY, INC. DANVILLE, ILLINOIS**

**10-DAY FREE TRIAL**

**HOW TO MAKE YOUR OWN FURNITURE**

**WHY PAY HIGH PRICES FOR FURNITURE?**

MAKE IT YOURSELF! Long-to-follow, step-by-step directions in this big new book show exact working procedure for each step. Professional methods given for setting up shop, choosing tools and equipment, selecting proper varieties of wood, cutting and joining operations, screwing, raising the grain, staining, varnishing, bleaching, tubing, outlining, designing furniture—everything you’ll want to know.

This interesting, handsomely illustrated book has nearly two hundred big 8 1/2 x 11 inch pages. It costs only $3.95. You’ll save five to ten times this amount on the first piece of furnitur you make!

**LETTERS**

**many add “Amen” to November tie-in advertising editorial**

**EDITOR’S NOTE: More than 14,000 reprints of this editorial have been furnished to approximately 150 manufacturers and advertising agencies who requested them in quantities ranging from 10 to 500.**

**...courageous and far-sighted...**

**Sir:** All I can say is amen and many, many thanks for your courageous and far-sighted editorial on tie-in advertising in the November issue of *American Builder*.

It is high time that builders and dealers realize that they have a sales responsibility in the orderly distribution of building materials. Part of that responsibility is cashing in on national advertising with a well-planned local effort. When we reach the millennium, where everyone in the scale of distribution does his own part, our industry will be serving the public in an intelligent and economical way.

**Phil Creden,**
**Director, Public Relations,**
**Edward Hines Lumber Co.,**
**Chicago, Ill.**

**...called a spade a spade...**

**Sir:** Congratulations on the mighty fine handling of this tie-in advertising problem. It is certainly about time that someone “laid the cards on the table and called a spade a spade.” Our company, for one, certainly appreciates the efforts of *American Builder* in behalf of this particular problem that has been facing all building material manufacturers.

**R. E. Olson,**
**Sales Manager,**
**J. S. Thorn Co.,**
**Philadelphia, Pa.**

**...sound principle...**

**Sir:** Being on the receiving end of a multitude of these nuisance requests, I can heartily endorse the points you have so well brought out. Perhaps this agreement will be less enthusiastic from those on the soliciting end. Nevertheless, and in spite

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HOPE'S STEEL WINDOWS HAVE THE STRENGTH AND RIGIDITY THAT NO OTHER WINDOW CAN MATCH

Award Winner

HOPE'S STEEL CASEMENTS were installed in the window-wall areas of Architect Ormston's award-winning home. Ideally suited to the architecture of the building, they will permit easily-controlled ventilation; never warp or bind. Endowed with the strength and rigidity found only in steel, they will provide a lifetime of trouble-free service and require little maintenance.

HOPE'S WINDOWS, INC., Jamestown, N. Y.
THE FINEST BUILDINGS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ARE FITTED WITH HOPE'S WINDOWS

MULLER MIXERS

low in price and upkeep
high in output
Rubber Scraper Blades!
Plenty of Power!
Built to Take It!

Over 40 years experience in mixer engineering makes Muller Plaster and Mortar Mixers leaders in their field. Strongly built ... ample drum and power capacity (electric motor or gasoline engine) ... 2 to 9 cu. ft. sizes (6' model shown). Rubber scraper blades ... life-time shaft seals ... power throw-out or clutch, except on 2' size ... prices $180 upward, FOB Factory. Write for name of nearest dealer.

MULLER MACHINERY COMPANY, INC.
Metuchen, N. J. Cable Address MULMIX

LEVELALL

... "better than any transit!"

"When it comes to accuracy, the Levelall is better than any transit," writes Richard B. Ott,
LEVELALL is a 70' transparent plastic tube with shut-off valves, mounted brackets and filled with a special anti-freeze liquid ... a precision leveling instrument for only $12.95. With it, one man can do the work of two men and a transit.

Send today for your FREE copy of "On the Level," a booklet that tells and shows how to use the Levelall.

LEVELALL, 83A Webster St., Rockland, Mass.
Price sent free booklet, "On the Level." (Mail the 75' Deluxe LEVELALL at $12.95) (Regular 50' model at $10.95) (Ship postage paid plus $0.25)
Ship C.O.D.
Name
Street
City Zone State

JANUARY 1955
MORE BUILDER FEATURES

Merchandising Value

offers you an Insert and a Stack-On Oven built to fit standard wood or steel cabinets now on the market.

offers you an insert oven so perfectly insulated it requires just 1/8" clearance for installation in wood or masonry.

offers you a self-contained control cooking top requiring only 3" depth — allows full use of top drawer space. These units contribute to high appraisal values.

offers you a front-control cooking top that takes just minutes to install. Newly developed installation "ears", an exclusive Stiglitz feature, cut costly installation time.

offers you such a wide color range: white or gray porcelain enamel, stainless steel, antique copper, brushed chrome AND a wide variety of colored enamels to match ceramic installations.

See for Yourself — For the first time, Stiglitz Infra-Aire Built-In Electric Ranges will be on display at the builder's show. Plan now to see them at Booth No. 772, Conrad Hilton Hotel, 3rd Floor.

N. A. H. B. SHOW
CHICAGO • JAN. 16-28

Letters

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of the recent elections, I can't help but feel that there is merit in trying to promote a sound principle even though it may not be agreeable to the majority.

T. L. O'Gara,
Vice President and Sales Mgr.,
Weyerhaeuser Sales Co.,
St. Paul, 1, Minn.

"Our" cooperative program doesn't work very well

Sir: This editorial comes as somewhat of a surprise to us, and we are a little in doubt as to just what move to make. The reason is that we have a cooperative program whereby we pay 1/8, the jobber pays 1/4 and the dealer pays 1/8 of local newspaper, radio or television advertising.

I must admit that this program does not work very well. We set up a fund based on a percentage of the customer's purchases, and these funds have not been used to any extent, nor have they been used very intelligently when they have been used.

We don't know whether or not to continue with this cooperative program. . . . At any rate, if we quit the program, we certainly will use your editorial as something to lean on in announcing the news to our trade.

F. E. Bissell, Jr.,
Vice President, Sales.
Carr, Adams & Collier Co.,
Dubuque, Iowa

perfect expression of this firm's policy

Sir: This article expresses wonderfully well the policy that we have followed consistently. We believe that your article expresses it in a manner better than we could convey it to our customers, and we would like to have you send us a dozen or 15 copies of your editorial.

R. N. Buckstaff, President.
The Buckstaff Co.,
Oshkosh, Wis.

... age old problem ...

Sir: I wish to particularly congratulate you as well as others responsible for the preparation and appearance of this article and the value it can
DOORS
PAT. NO. 2489029
TO. MK. REG. U.S. PAT. OFF.

Ready Hung Door have eliminated one of the worst headaches, I, like most other builders, ever have - getting enough carpenters who can case and hang a door. Now I only have to have one man instead of eight or ten to get the same number of doors hung in the same length of time.

ASK YOUR LUMBER DEALER
READY HUNG DOORS MADE BY:

HOLT NMPL12 FLOOR SANDER
with patented demountable cushion that’s replaceable in minutes right on job—no long, costly delays when nails rip cushion. Designed and built to eliminate vibration and chatter, so you get smooth floors easily. Double, self-adjusting belts, sure-grip clamps, high-speed cutting keeps jobs rolling, enable you to sand more floor daily.

HOLT Rotary Edgers for quick, easy sanding of edges, corners, stairs, closets, etc. Two-hand front and back controls permit fast starts and stops, improve control on close work.

HOLT Floor Machines put a sheen on floors that wins friends and extra business. Use for waxing, polishing, scrubbing, rug shampooing, steel wooling.

Take the HOLT way to more profitable floor jobs—mail coupon TODAY.
Install Plugmold
the modern electrical outlet system
in your homes

OUTLETS UNLIMITED
add VALUE and
visible SALES APPEAL!

Plugmold costs less . . . is
easier and faster to install

There are 4 or 5 times as many electrical appliances in homes today as there were a few years ago. That's why the house with plenty of outlets rates higher with buyers. Plugmold provides a continuous run of outlets, every 60”, 30” or closer, all around the house . . . all around any room . . . or any part of a room.

Plugmold is the perfect answer to the builder's problem of upgrading his homes economically . . . homeowners have plenty of electrical outlets at their fingertips for every need—builders get more money for their homes, and sell them faster.

The WIREMOLD Company
HARTFORD 10, CONNECTICUT

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serve to all manufacturers in circumventing the age old problem of having the “bite” placed upon us by our dealers and distributors from time to time.

A. A. Meyers, Adv. Mgr.,
Milwaukee Electric Tool Corp.,
Milwaukee, 8, Wis.

... economic problem for the manufacturer and distributor . . .

Sir: I am delighted to see a publication of the influence and distribution enjoyed by American Builder bringing up this proposition. Official publications of the various home builders associations, talking houses, parades of homes and other promotions are becoming so numerous and widespread that they have become an economic problem for the manufacturer and distributor.

Al Quinn,
Director of Advertising,
Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.,
Waco, Texas

... badly needed for some time . . .

Sir: I wish to compliment you and your magazine for the “Let’s get tie-in advertising straightened out” editorial.

This editorial has been badly needed for some time in our industry, and is very well taken and written for such a delicate and touchy subject. I would appreciate it very much if you would send me 50 copies of this editorial.

Alec Dardick, Sales Manager,
Bianco Manufacturing Co.,
St. Louis, 4, Mo.

Sir: This is often a painful subject and you are to be congratulated on your firm, straight-forward handling of it.

R. W. Gane, Adv. Mgr.,
Hope's Windows, Inc.,
Jamestown, N. Y.

Sir: To say the subject is “hot” is the prime understatement of the year 1954. Just recently I had to travel some miles to visit an important customer to convince him he

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FRED A. CLARK, Business Manager
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of November, 1954.
(SEAL)
RALPH E. WESTERMAN, Notary Public
(My commission expires February 3, 1957.)

Send for this FREE BOOKLET describing all the extra features you get in Service-Master.

Compare Service-Master...feature by feature...with any other make. See why Service-Master is the first choice of servicemen in all parts of the country.

Available in 1/2, 3/4, 1, and 11/2 ton sizes.

McCABE-POWERS AUTO BODY CO. 5900 NO. BROADWAY • ST. LOUIS 15, MO.
Send me the Service-Master "EXTRA FEATURES" booklet...

Service-Master's competent look helps sell your service...reflects your discriminating taste.
TODAY'S HOME BUYERS are looking for the kind of clean, functional simplicity you find in Morrison Roly Doors.

SMART LOOKING, blending smoothly with all types of architecture, they bring the garage into proper perspective with the rest of the house.

BONDERIZED ALL-STEEL CONSTRUCTION provides durable, lasting beauty in a modern, weatherproof garage door that won't rot, warp, sag or absorb moisture.

SMOOTH, SAFE, SILENT, EFFORTLESS OPERATION is a sales-clincher for every prospect who raises and lowers a Roly-Door.

LOW INSTALLED COST, you can install Roly-Doors on your homes for the same price as ordinary garage doors.

OVER 100 STANDARD SIZES, there's a Roly-Door for every size and type home.

WRITE for complete details
See why better builders everywhere are using Morrison Roly-Doors.

Roly-Door Division, Morrison Steel Products, Inc.
644 Amherst Street, Buffalo 7, New York
Send us complete information on Roly-Doors and the name of the nearest Roly-Door Distributor.

Name
Firm Name
Street Address
City Zone State

In Canada, Roly-Door Distributors, Ltd., 1330 Bloor Street W., Toronto 4
Also manufacturers of MOR-SUN WARM AIR FURNACES and MORRISON SERVICE BODIES
Your Roly-Door Distributor also has a complete line of Roly-Doors for all commercial and industrial applications. Ask about them today.

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had no right to a special "hand out."
Take a bow, because that November editorial helped me more than you'll know.

Philip A. Fuss,
Craftwood Products Co.,
Belleville, 9, N. J.

Sir:

Your editors have chosen a subject that desperately needs open discussion and have covered it in such a forthright and honest fashion that it is bound to have really beneficial effects.

E. M. Dowling, Adv. Mgr.,
Alsynite Company of America,
San Diego, 9, Calif.

more Jubilee issue bouquets

predictions for the future
"very stimulating"

Sir:

We want you to know that your historical presentation of home building is most interesting, especially to some of us old timers, and we also find your predictions for the future very stimulating indeed.

Donald Wilson,
Andersen Corp.,
Bayport, Minn.

... "authoritative and enlightening" ...

Sir:

"This issue is one of the best you have ever published. It is authoritative and enlightening and an extremely worthwhile edition."

Norman F. Goldblatt,
Goldblatt Tool Company,
Kansas City, 8, Mo.

either "ultra-futuristic" or "ultra-conservative"

Sir:

It looks very much as if it (75th Anniversary issue) is quite complete, and, as far as I know, probably the only treatise of the type showing the evolution in the building industry and its related products.

As to your forecast for the year 1979 it could, of course, be ultra-futuristic, or, in the light of the amazing changes in all industries during the past 75 years, it could be ultra-conservative.

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Vitroliner Chimneys are now available in a brick design with a choice of colors, RED or BUFF, and in a solid neutral flat GREY.

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LETTERS

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At any rate, we hope that your predictions will be correct, so that in the year 1979 you can write another resume article and with justifiable pride state, "I told you so."


likes the book, but . . .

Sir: After my first year of subscribing to AB I can only say that it's the best "deal" I ever made. If I may make a suggestion — how about a little less of "Lue-Re-Co" and the panel systems, and a little more of the "Steam Driven"!!! old fashioned light construction methods, preferably in the $10,000 to $12,000 class.

Peter Smith, Carpenter & Builder Contractor, Staten Island, N. Y.

service with a smile

Sir: Recently I mailed an inquiry to "Ask the Experts" column seeking information relative to the "holding power" of the various types and sizes of nails. Your office kindly advised me that a copy of my letter had been sent to the Independent Nail and Packing Company and mentioned that I would receive a reply from them.

I have just received copies of the most complete information from the Independent Nail and Packing Company that I could ever have hoped to possess.

Please accept my sincere thanks.

William Stewart, Engineer and Builder, Ontario, Canada

Sept. editorial missed one very important point

Sir: I just read your editorial in the September 1954 issue of American Builder. I like it very much. You gave many reasons for having National Home Week, and I agree with you and John Dickerman that the most important object is to sell home ownership to the American public.

However, in your editorial you missed just one very important point that you could have expressed as a

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This would make it difficult, if not impossible, to provide sound nailing.

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

Editor's Note: You can be sure this gentleman will get American Builder.

Get down to bed rock on Business Management

Best way to do it is to make a careful study of the devices and procedures for cost control that are working successfully for others. Next month, February, American Builder analyzes for you Harold Dato's system for controlling labor costs in project work in Illinois... In March, we take you inside the shop of Harold E. Parker, a builder of subdivisions in northern California, who has systematized his operation so that he can tell from week to week exactly where he stands on production and costs. Parker's formula will help you improve your own.

NOTES ON BUILDING

Sir: Copies of your publication occasionally come into my hands, and I have found them to be full of interesting features and comments. Do you know if it is possible to enter a subscription from this country?

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Chippenham, Wilshire, England

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Helped develop new Uni-Bilt fireplace-chimney

- Reversing normal procedure for product development, manufacturer followed judgment and suggestions of builders before marketing new product, not after
- Packaged unit will be shown at NAHB convention this month

The new Uni-Bilt fireplace-chimney package, being introduced at the NAHB convention in Chicago this month, is a first-class example of builder-manufacturer cooperation in the development of a new building product.

The new fireplace-chimney package is complete from hearth to chimney top. It can be assembled and installed by semi-skilled labor in four to six man-hours. No masonry is needed. The product is the result of seven years of research.

Ordinarily a manufacturer, convinced of the need for a new building product, sets the wheels of research and development in motion, perfects the product, offers it to builders and hopes that he has bet right. In the case of Uni-Bilt, however, the producer and his research and development staffs preferred to base their intermediate and final decisions on the judgment of a selected jury of builders—the people who would buy and use the product.

American Builder cooperates in selection of jury

In cooperation with American Builder, such a jury was chosen. Its members were invited to visit the research and development laboratory at a time when a mock-up was ready for inspection and discussion. The jury of builders assembled on a morning more than a year ago. The members were asked to keep to themselves the information they were about to be given, since the company had already invested a large sum and hoped, if the product was right, to cash in before competitive concerns went into action with similar products.

They were also asked to be very candid in their inspection and reactions. At the end of the demonstration and discussion, the manufacturer was convinced that, with a few very minor modifications, he had a product that would have a market.

Risk of product acceptance is minimized

As a result, the product development was carried to a conclusion, the necessary fire, safety and other tests were applied. The introduction of Uni-Bilt is made with the producer's judgment that he has a salable product, plus the considered endorsement of a group of builders from several sections of the country, who build in varying architectural styles and price brackets.

This kind of consultation in product development long has been advocated by American Builder and, more recently, has been encouraged by NAHB.

Vega Industries of Syracuse, N.Y., developers and manufacturers of Uni-Bilt, first set their sights on a prefabricated fireplace unit in 1947. The first approach was condemned by builders and officers of the company because it "was an imitation masonry job and looked like it."

A fresh start was made, and in 1952 Vega set up the Uni-Bilt division to develop the fireplace. The problem was to get a functional fireplace-chimney unit that would blend with any style of architecture and furnishings. It had to be full size but fit both large and small rooms. It had to be inexpensive and simple to install, self-contained, packagable and not imitative.

Finally, in 1953, American Builder's editors were called in to aid in assembling a jury of builders. The result is a product built to builders' specifications. It will be the feature of Uni-Bilt's exhibit in the Hotel Sherman at the 1955 NAHB convention and exposition.
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