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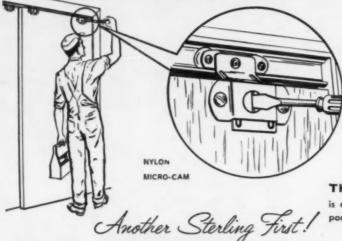
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## THE Opportunity page



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Result of all this boiling down? Now you can see the cream of U.S. model homes with very little time and effort on your own part (see p. 66).

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We call AMERICAN BUILDER a Time-Saver magazine. But we've made this a special year-end timesaver issue-in view of the mountain of mail and holidays in the offing. Speaking of which . . .

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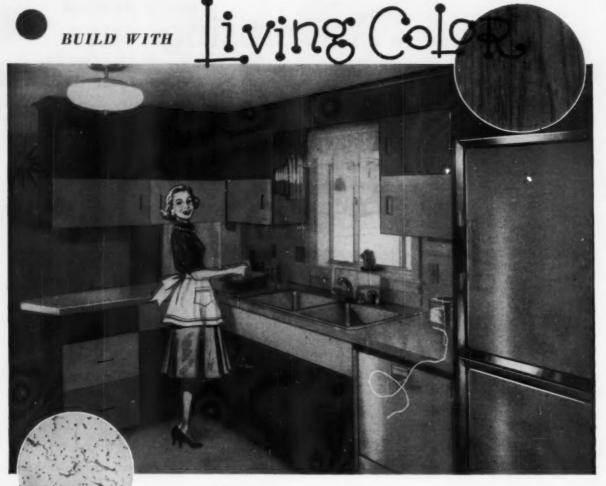
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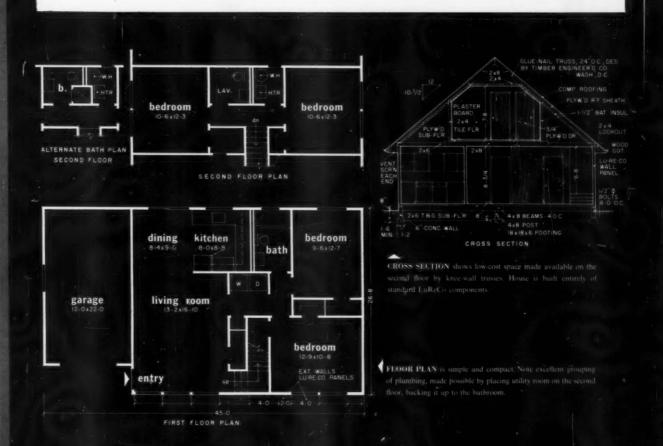
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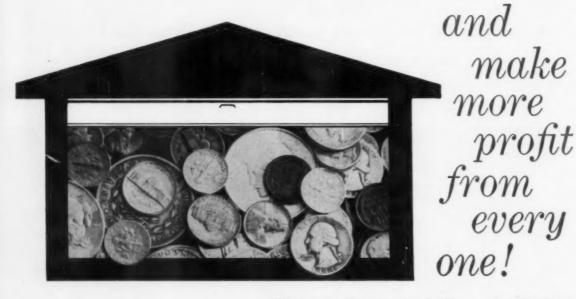
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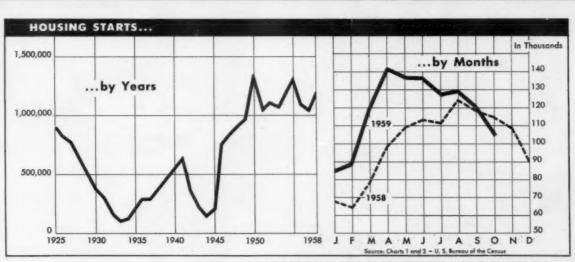
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#### Seasonal rate stays above 1958 level; FHA new home applications are stable

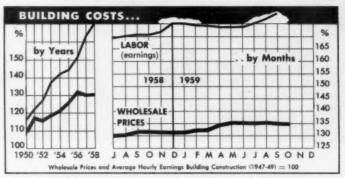
The seasonally adjusted annual rate of starts (for October) is still above that of last year—1,180,000 compared to 1,125,000. However, an anticipated drop in monthly starts has taken place. There are several factors involved. The steel strike has taken its toll in the multi-family category and also contributed to a cautionary attitude on the part of one-family home builders as steel shortages resulted in job lay-offs. Secondly, the tight-money problem continues to be a deterring factor

There's a brighter note on the horizon, however. FHA new-home applications—which had dropped off in July and August—stabilized in September and October. Changes in application figures are usually reflected in starts figures within two or three months.

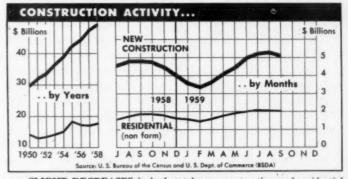
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| New Homes    | Oct. 1959 | Oct. 1958 | % Change<br>JanOct.<br>1958-1959 |
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| Starts       | 25,200    | 31,625    | +19.1                            |
| Applications | 24,065    | 31,817    | +13.2                            |

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2 LABOR EARNINGS, which had remained at a relatively stable point earlier this year, took an anticipated sharp upswing in August and September. Wholesale prices continue at a near-constant figure.



3 SLIGHT DECREASES in both total new construction and residential construction occurred in September over August. (October figures had not been released as AMERICAN BUILDER went to press.)



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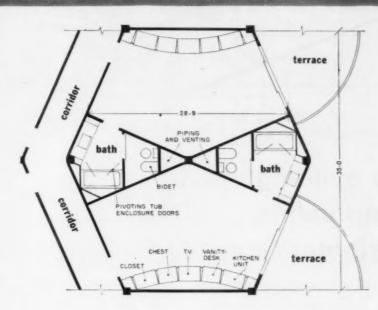




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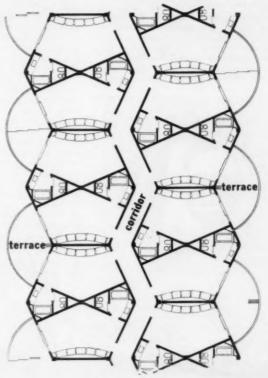
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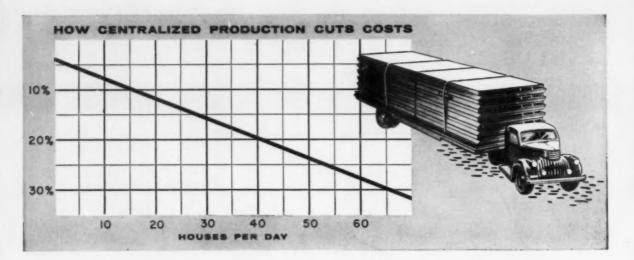
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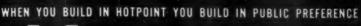
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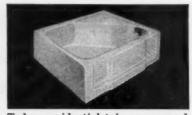


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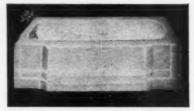


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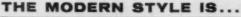
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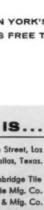
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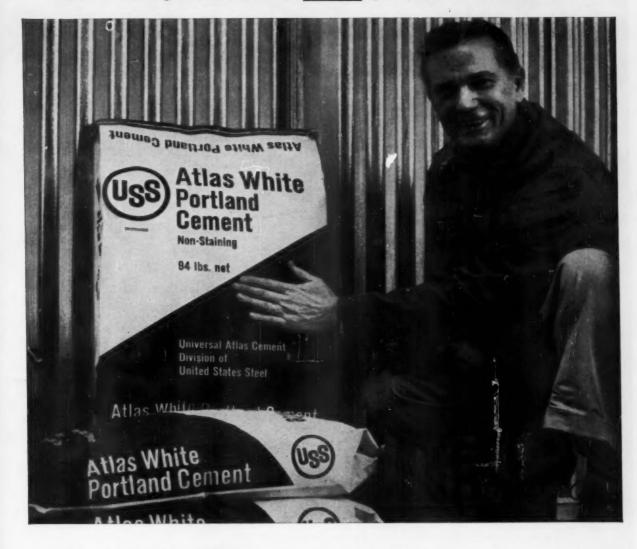
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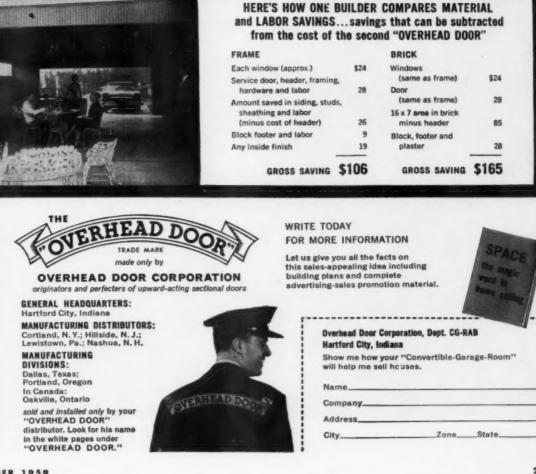


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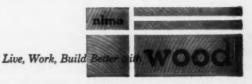


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### WHAT'S NEW AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

#### Revised estimates for 1960 more optimistic: starts set at 1.26 to 1.28 million

Late year-end estimates of 1960 housing starts have revised upward some of the more pessimistic earlier predictions. U.S. total is now expected to hit 1.26 to 1.28 million. It's less than a 9% decline from 1959's near-record 1.39 million.

Sharp differences are reported by builders from different areas. Large operators in Los Angeles and Long Island are pessimistic, while <u>small-volume</u> firms in widely scattered towns and cities feel they will have a big year in spite of the high cost of money. Key to it all: 1960 will be a prosperous year, people will have more money to spend, and they need and want new houses.

Experts say the pressure on mortgage financing will relax slightly early in 1960. That's the time to line up commitments for the year.

#### Now: "maintenance-free homes"

A strong new trend has thrust its way into the building market in 1959: the maintenance-free home. You can count on its being even more potent in 1960. Some product examples: <u>enamel-coated</u> bronze and aluminum windows; asbestos and hardboard sidings with permanent plastic finish; Formica kitchen cabinets with mar-proof finish; aluminum roofing and siding with baked-enamel surface; plywood interior panels with tough scratch-proof finish. There are many more.

• "Maintenance-free" is a good sales theme. Equip your next model home with a selection of these new products, then build a campaign on their contribution to lower upkeep costs.

#### Help for small-town builders

FHA is moving decisively to expand its help to small-town rural builders in 1960. Its Certified Agency Program (CAP) fits towns of 20,000 or less which are often remote from FHA insuring offices. Local lenders, appraisers, and inspectors are appointed to process and speed up loans. New shortcut methods save time, cut red tape.

▶ If you don't know about CAP, write FHA in Washington for directions on how to take part. It's an important extension of the mortgage insurance principle to new territory.

#### Fast pace with a bulldozer

Builders hit a fast pace in 1959, but some special prize goes to one in Irvington, N.J. He was moving so fast he bulldozed the basement, and <u>started pour-</u>ing the foundations on a split level before he discovered he was on the wrong lot. Result: he leveled everything, rolled it smooth, moved down the street. Then he resumed bulldozing on the right site.

#### **Built-ins get loan OK**

Remodeling of kitchens will be helped by FHA's newest (but long overdue) order permitting built-in kitchen appliances to be eligible for insurance. Appliance must be "permanently attached, integral part of the kitchen."

#### **Profits in remodeling**

Ace in the hole for many builders in 1960 will be repair and remodeling work. New studies show there's a great overlapping of new and remodeling jobs by the same firms. When money gets too tight on new houses, these men expand the repair and remodeling part of their business. It's easier to finance, actually pays a higher job profit. Biggest profit items are kitchens, baths, attics, basements, porches, additions, garages.

Prediction for 1960: more than \$21 billion will be spent in repair, remodeling upkeep of all kinds. This of course includes commercial and industrial work, which will zoom in 1960.

• Make a spot survey of remodeling opportunities in your town. Enlist aid of your local lumber dealer in locating prospects.

#### Discounts, interest rates up

Builders last month continued to report rising interest rates, stiffer discounts on FHA and VA loans. But there's a wide variety in local, state, and regional levels. California and Texas builders were hit by discounts up to 10%. Conventional loan interest rates were edging up to  $6\frac{1}{2}\%$ . While volume in some areas will be curtailed by money shortages, consensus of opinion is that pressure would ease before midsummer.

#### Prices up—but moderately

Builders' costs will show some increases next year. E. H. Boeckh estimates a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ % rise. Land and financing outlays will put new pressure on builders for higher sales tag.

#### The outlook for housing: sharp regional contrasts

Nationwide housing starts for the 12-month period ending next Sept. 30 are expected to parallel 1958 calendar-year activities. Here's the general outlook for the country, and specific data on the West.\*

**D** uring the 12-month forecast period ending Sept. 30, 1960, it is estimated that private and public nonfarm starts will total 1,328,400. This compares with 1,313,600 in the 1958 calendar year—a one per cent increase, but considerably below the amount for the Oct. 1, 1958 to Sept. 30, 1959 period.

Although the nation-wide totals for the forecast period and the 1958 calendar-year period are similar, sharp regional contrasts are expected.

Regional effects of a tight mortgage credit situation will be accentuated by regional patterns of increased vacancy rates. The combined effect should be a more drastic curtailment of housing starts in the South and West than in the Northern states.

The Northeast and North Central regions were most severely affected during the last recession. (This recession had stifled somewhat the demand for new homes which had been building up.) As the recession waned, the impetus of an expanding economy pushed up home building to meet the reviving demand. This momentum will carry sufficient strength to continue relatively high levels of activities during the forecast period.

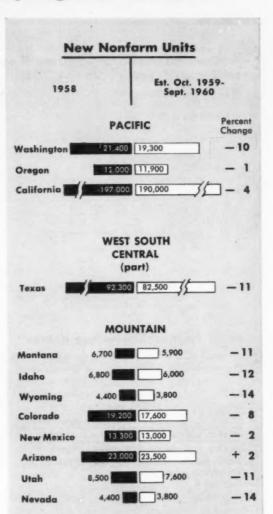
The business slowdown affected the South and West to a lesser degree. The fact that these areas are migratory targets of older communities played an important stabilizing role. The continued population influx, though curtailed, lent enough economic strength to keep new-home demand from sliding very much. As the recession ended, home building did increase—but not as much as in the older sections of the country.

Here's how the West shapes up for the forecast period:

The picture for Western states is mixed. The outlook is for declines of up to 14 per cent in some areas and gains as high as 10 per cent in other sections.

The fast growing areas of New Mexico, Arizona and California will continue their upward pattern.

In California, Los Angeles will remain the region's top housing market with a stable rate of 82,000 homes expected in the forecast period. In San Francisco and San Diego, the outlook is for roughly 24,000 homes each. San Jose will account for a significant volume—17,000 new homes, a 6 per cent rise. Sacramento also will be on the plus



side—rising from 10,300 to 11,800, a 15 per cent increase.

Arizona is expected to show a statewide increase of 2 per cent. Tucson will see a 10 per cent rise from 4,200 to 4,600 units, while Phoenix will jump 5 per cent—from 16,200 to 17,000.

Although starts in Texas are expected to decrease, that state still will remain an important contributor to the West's new housing. In the Houston area, for example, some 15,800 starts are expected.

\*All information and figures in this article were derived from a "12 Months Housing Forecast," compiled by Reinhold P. Wolff, Director, Bureau of Business and Economic Research, U. of Miami.

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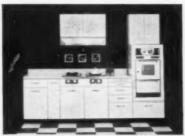
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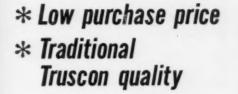
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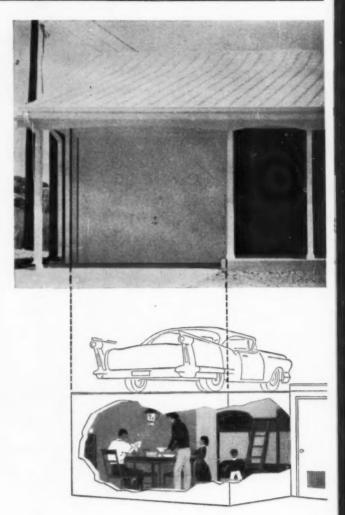
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UNIQUE PROMOTION—Denver builder Jack Hoerner puts up a good house. But his promotion sells a fallout shelter built under each garage. Hoerner stresses plus values of shelter with theme: Live to enjoy your home.



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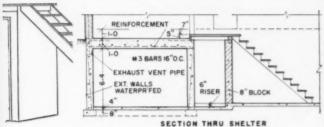
- He puts up a good house
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HE'S JACK C. HOERNER, President, Jack Hoerner Construction Co., Lakewood, Colo.

## of the MONTH for December



TO THIS HOUSE—Hoerner's house (above) is a good seller even without the shelter. But the builder is convinced that reinforced concrete addition (right) beneath garage adds impetus to sales in his Allendale subdivision.





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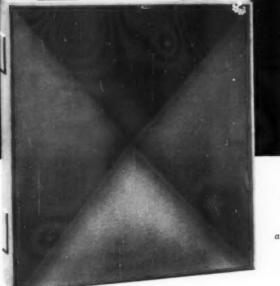
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## **American Builder**

## Western Views

#### By BILL RODD

NATIONAL HOME WEEK: No doubt about it, every year sees more and more western builders harnessing to National Home Week, utilizing its great power to create prospects and sales. This was clearly evident in a swing through many large cities where builders, through the medium of their local associations, had organized to support a joint Promotion of the Week.

EVIDENT TOO, WAS A DECIDED UPGRADING of the model homes as compared with a year or so ago. More were landscaped; more were furnished; most included built-in ranges and ovens, family rooms, two baths. And breakfast bars, tiled entries, natural wood paneling, custom wallpaper, attractive fixtures were common in all but the lowest-priced models.

BATHROOMS RECEIVE MORE ATTENTION. Compartmented baths, baths with Mr. & Mrs. lavatories, decorative ceramic tile, wide mirrors, were found in many homes. One builder reported that a Roman tub definitely influenced sales; another builder with homes in the \$15,000 price class found it possible to include a planter in the bath.

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MANY BUILDERS USED PRIZES to encourage inspection of models or to get questionnaires filled in which would qualify prospects. W. C. Garcia & Assoc. of San Jose offered a chance to win a free allexpense trip to Rome or Rio for two, as an inducement to visit their development.

IN THE SAN FERNANDO VAL-LEY nine custom builders joined forces to create Candle Light Lane - nine beautiful homes in one block ranging from \$16,900 to \$28,000, all with Arkla gas air-conditioning units. In the San Bernardino area nine other custom builders staged their annual Home Orama using the theme "Tomorrow's trends in Today's Homes."

ONE THING MISSING in most homes was a "hidden-value" display. That's a display of quality items used in the home which the average visitor does not see such things as copper piping, glass-lined water heaters, insulation. treated lumber, rough-in for air conditioning, etc. All these can be readily displayed in the garage using pieces of copper pipe, lumber, insulation - with appropriate signs. Also, many manufacturers

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have cardboard displays which they would be glad to furnish to builders. Such displays lend an atmosphere of quality to the whole house and are well worth the little time and expense necessary to develop them. On busy week ends, when there are more prospects going through the model than the salesmen can talk to, such displays give them something to think about.

SMART BUILDERS who have sponsored parades of homes have found that they can get thousands of dollars worth of free promotion. The gas and electric utilities, building material manufacturers, savings and loan associations, title companies, and many others are anxious to promote home ownership and will usually contribute liberally to the program. And of course the local newspapers, radio and television stations are glad to help.

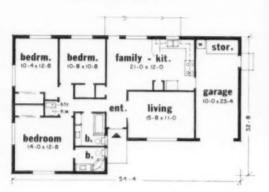
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## Within Beck's own 'Parade of Homes'

#### He took an award of merit in the Best Model Homes contest



**B** eckwood Terrace at Odessa, Tex., ultimately will contain 1,200 homes, comprising 10 different models. One of these, the West Haven, was given an award of merit in the under-\$16,000 category of AMERICAN BUILDER'S Best Model Homes Contest. Selling for \$14,250 (with land) the house is chock full of the extras which make one home stand out above others in the same price range. A wood-paneled family room, built-in breakfast bar, quarry tile entry and a 200-sq. ft. patio are all included.





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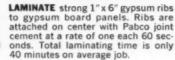






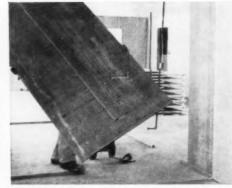
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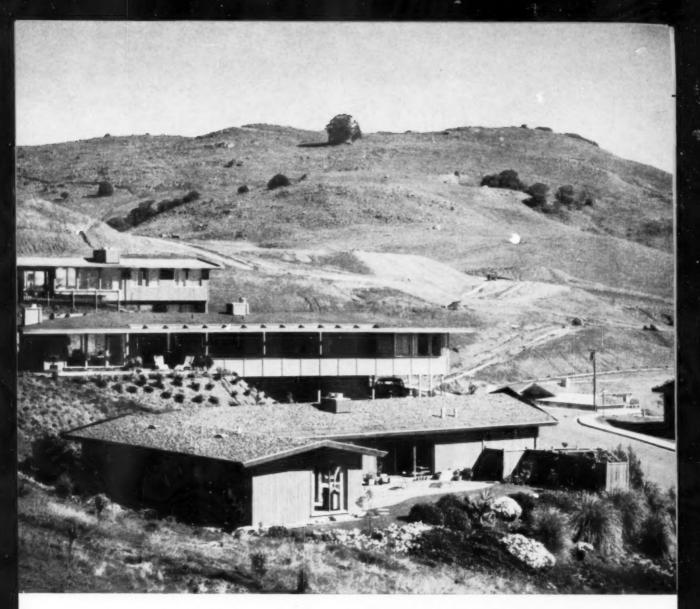
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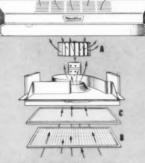
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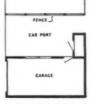
Built-in Mayfield sink of acid-resisting enameled iron.

Built to present new ideas in modern home equipment, this 1959 Idea Home has Kohler fixtures and fittings in bathroom, powder room, kitchen and service center.

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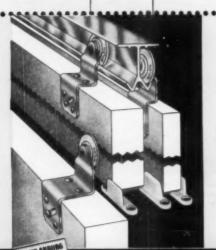
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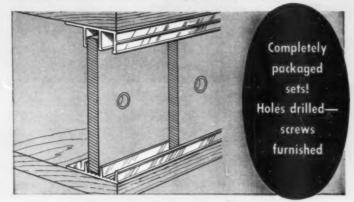


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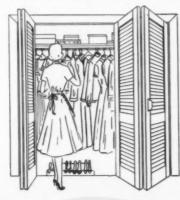


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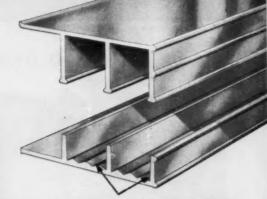


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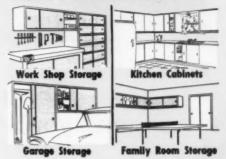




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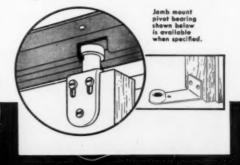
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## "Andersen Windows help me sell 90 homes a year"

... says Spokane builder Fred Wolff



**Spokane's leading builder** Fred Wolff says: "I believe the fact that for the past 6 years all of our homes have been sold under conventional 75% and 80% loans speaks strongly for the general public acceptance of nationally-known Andersen Windows."

Among the tall pines of Spokane, Fred Wolff built and sold 90 homes last year, with a total gross volume of \$1,700,000. Price range: \$16,250 to \$19,900. He sold 85 of the homes before they were completed. The remaining five were vacant no longer than two weeks.

"Our realtor," says Mr. Wolff, "reports a definite advantage for his salesmen in being able to point to the many outstanding features of Andersen Windows.

"I feel the use of Andersen Windows," continues Mr. Wolff, "has been a contributing factor in my standing as a leading Spokane builder, both in number of homes built and in dollar volume during these past three years.

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## The little house that

T WAS A LOVELY LITTLE HOME, just right for a young couple. And a very young, newly-married couple was going through it with Mr. Johnson, the builder. After they had finished the inside tour, Mr. Johnson took them outside to see the landscaping, the patio and the driveway.

"Look, Jim," said the bride, "isn't this a nice patio? We could do a lot of entertaining outside next summer if we bought this place. Do you like it?"

"Yes, Ginny, I like a patio a lot. In fact, that was one of the things I especially liked about the house we saw in Pine Trees yesterday. Remember, the house that was just a little bit more money than we had planned to spend."

"I remember and I was so disappointed," she sighed. "But," brightening, "I like this place just as well and it's not so expensive."

The builder interrupted with, "Well, I try to give my customers as much home for their money as possible. I don't waste.time, work and money on a lot of unimportant extras. I find that I can undersell many other builders."

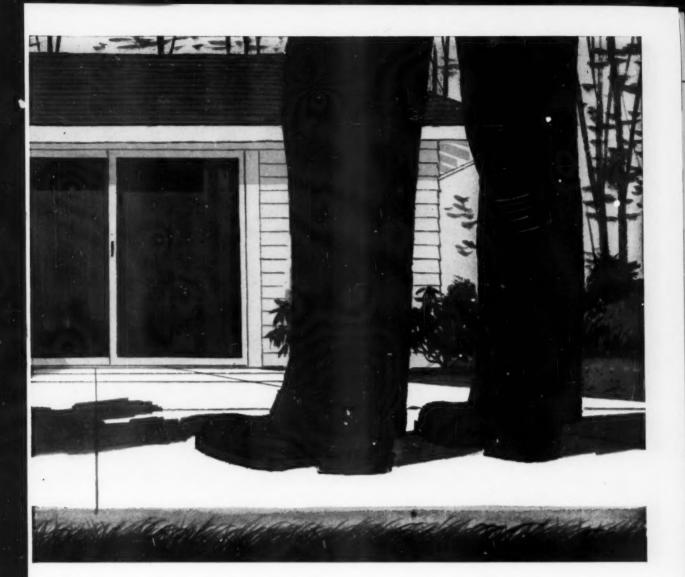
"Glad to hear it," says Jim. "By the way, this concrete patio is pretty big. What about the danger of cracking from frost heave. Is it reinforced with welded wire fabric to guard against breaking?"

"Well," said Mr. Johnson, "that's a pretty heavy, welllaid piece of concrete. I don't think you need to worry about it breaking."

"But is it reinforced," persisted Jim.

"No it isn't," replied the builder. "I found that I could save a few dollars by not using welded wire fabric for concrete reinforcement. This is one of the ways I told you I saved you money—by eliminating unnecessary extras."

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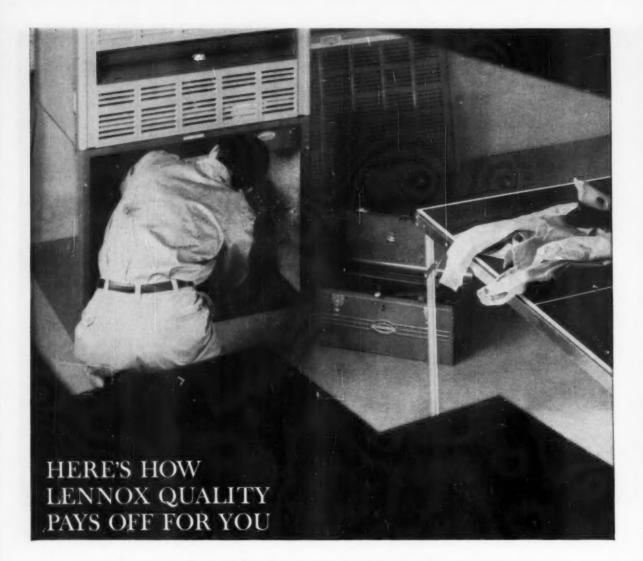
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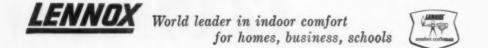


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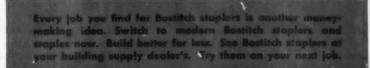




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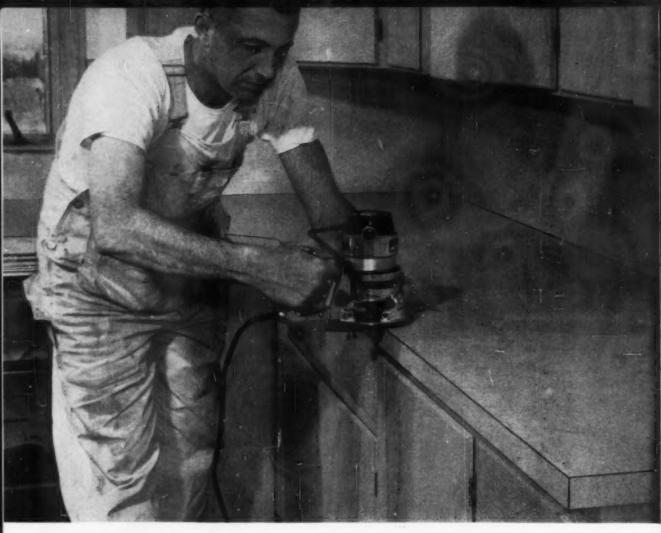


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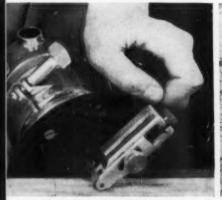
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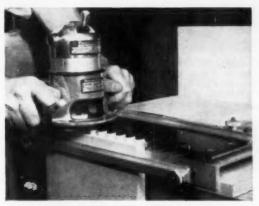
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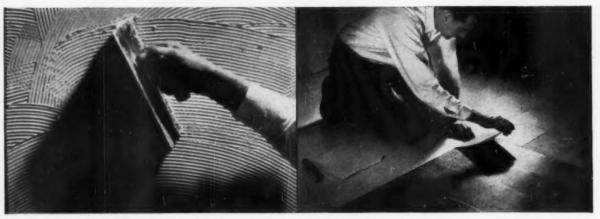
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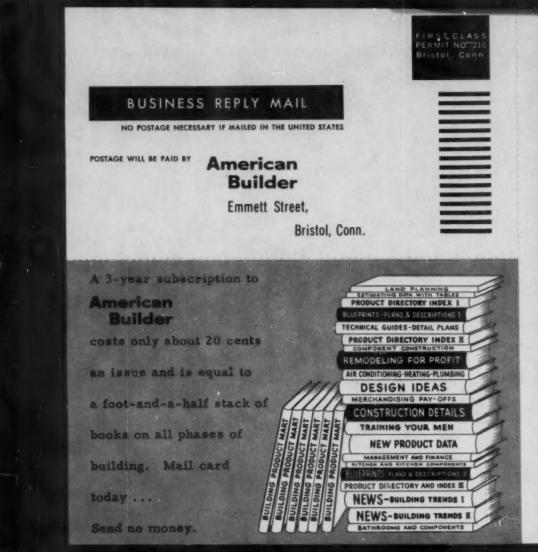
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"It must demonstrate quality materials, plan, and workmanship," says JIM PEASE, Pease Homes.



"It must be well designed —that's fundamental," says GERALD GEERLINGS, A.I.A.



"It must be cleverly merchandised," says DAVE FOX Merchandising Committee.



"It must display extras like built-ins, equipment," says ERNEST B. NORMAN, National Home Week Committee.



"It must point up the hidden as well as the visible values," says BOB SCHMITT, Research Institute.

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And for many long hours in a New York City hotel they sweated through hundreds of Best Model Homes entries. They checked your houses for outstanding exterior design, floor plan, construction methods, materials, equipment and merchandising techniques. Their goal? To select 37 model homes under \$16,000, and from \$16,000 to \$40,000, best expressing the purposes of National Home Week. Result of all this painstaking effort? A big special award, three top award winners, and 15 award-of-merit winners in each of the price categories.

#### Here are the Best Model Homes they chose



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Bob Scarborough's Salem will be our Blueprint House for January. In February, we'll present Clayton Powell's home as Blueprint House.

#### Builder: Bob Scarborough

Place: Haddonfield, N.J.

Price: \$15,500 (without land)

**The judges say:** "This colonial is a terrific value. The buyer gets the roominess of a two-story house; and privacy, without sacrificing the pleasures of indoor outdoor living. He also gets one and a half baths, three bedrooms, a living room and a dining room, kitchen, laundry room, and work shop. An added bonus is a terrace opening from the family room and kitchen at the rear of the house. Other features include a range, oven, disposer, fan, dishwasher. And the whole package comes in a planned community with a swimming club, lakes, medical center and school sites —all just 20 minutes from Philadelphia."

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**Builder:** Clayton Powell

Place: Savannah, Ga.

Price: \$19,900 (with land)

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# AWARD OF DISTINCTION over \$16,000



Builder: Joseph L. Eichler

Place: Sunnyvale, Calif.

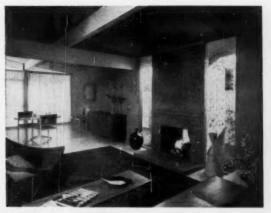
Price: \$19,200 (without land)

**The judges soy:** "Glass sells this contemporary. It integrates the house with its natural surroundings, and figures in the economy of design, too. Glass walls envelope an open-sky courtyard on three sides to create a focal point for a strong indoor-outdoor living motif. Post-andbeam construction provides a natural framework. One fine feature is a single-car garage alongside a single-car carport—this idea should interest even the one-car family because of the bonus utility space. Other features that contribute to the total contemporary effect include wide overhangs, gently sloping gables, and plywood siding. Over-all, you have to call this a pleasing house."

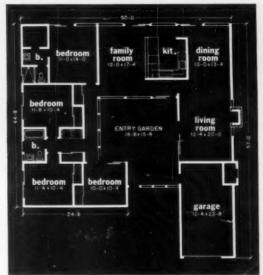
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BREEZY PLAN: wrap-around floor layout focuses attention on open-sky inner courtyard. Plan makes maximum use of space-creating glass without sacrificing privacy. Entertainment areas are zoned off from sleeping and living areas. Master bedroom—actually a suite—features a sliding glass door that leads to a private patio. Central bathutility core services cluster of three large bedrooms.



VARIETY: windows flank fireplace on both sides, break flat plane of living-room wall. Rugged post-and-beam construction counterpoints lightness of glass curtain wall.





WIDE OVERHANGS, obscure glass panels, create a striking entrance effect. Garage doors echo the theme of restraint.



## AWARD OF DISTINCTION under \$16,000

**Builder:** Centennial Construction Company

Place: Dallas, Tex.

Price: \$15,550 (without land)

**The judges say:** "These builders went all out on styling. They obviously anticipated a national shift to colonial. So their designers cleverly put a traditional envelope around a functional floor plan and promoted the house as a colonial. They gave the house the full professional treatment, too, from design consultants to professional advertising men. These extra efforts show up throughout the house."



**SMART INTERIOR:** professional interior decorator carries colonial theme indoors. Builder, however, adds modern built-ins and equipment to give buyer an up-to-date house that has a comfortable, lived-in look.

**SPACIOUS PLAN:** design centers around a big family room that opens through sliding glass doors to a rear patio. Corridor kitchen complements a flexible dining arrangement. Big rear-entry two-car garage includes a spacious utility and storage area. Long corridor services and separates four bedrooms and two large baths.



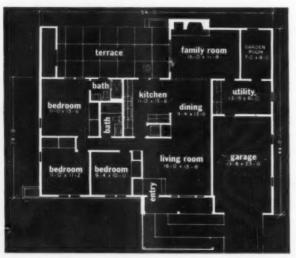


VARIED DEVELOPMENT: this rangy contemporary is one of four models the builders put up in the development. Full media promotion drew over 20,000 people to North Estates during opening week. Promotion went over so well builders sold a total of 145 homes during the first 120 days in a subdivision designed for 245 houses. The Century Modern (above) sells for \$15,450 without land. Centennial sells lots at Town North for \$2,700.





## FIRST AWARD OF MERIT over \$16,000



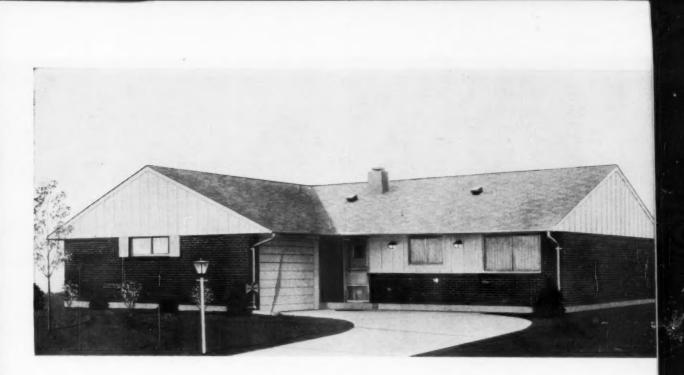
**SPACIOUS LAYOUT:** traditional exterior styling softens the functional floor plan of this contemporary. Family room butts spacious terrace, is naturally separated from the sleeping areas by the kitchen, dining room, and living room. Garage is backed by a spacious utility room and a handy garden-tool storage room. A two-bath utility Builder: Gerholz Community Homes, Inc.

Place: Flint, Mich.

Price: \$22,000 (without land)

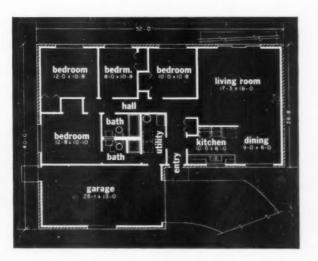
**The judges say:** "Talk about equipment? Just look at what this builder includes for the price of this house. The all-electric kitchen contains a built-in dishwasher, disposer, oven, cooking top, refrigerator, and freezer. The laundry has an automatic washer and dryer. Other selling extras include: intercoms, thermopane windows, prewired telephone and TV outlets, drapery and carpeting, luminous ceiling panels, valance lighting, skylights, and fully landscaped lots. The large (300 to 600 sq. ft.) patio has a built-in barbecue."

core services the three bedrooms. Second door in master bedroom opens to the terrace. Fluid traffic plan makes for easy movement in the living area, complements flexible dining plan, doesn't disrupt private zoning of the threeroom sleeping area. Concrete walkway juts from driveway, moves parallel to house and elbows around to door.





## FIRST AWARD OF MERIT under \$16,000



**COMPACT PLAN:** design economies (such as putting the kitchen in front of the house to eliminate a rear entrance) enable the builder to offer his buyers 1,400 sq. ft. of living area. The house, for the money, boasts an unusually spacious living-dining "L." Four big bedrooms surround a two-bath utility core. The garage at the front of the house

Builder: Huber Homes, Inc.

Place: Dayton, Ohio

Price: \$11,995 (without land)

**The judges say:** "Smart merchandising sells these low-cost, all-brick houses. Huber's prospects are exposed to both the hidden and visible values of the house through sales and promotional literature put out by national manufacturers. Huber further pounds home sales points through his own booklets, direct-mail advertising, and a monthly publication called *Hub*. But the builder doesn't sell the house alone. His promotion sells the house as an integral part of an attractive and well-planned community."

acts as a street-noise baffle for the sleeping area. Driveway doubles es a walkway; cuts constructions costs; permits builder to add terrace to the back of the house. Sliding glass doors separate the terrace from the living area. Brick-veneer walls rest on concrete grade beams that enclose the slab. Layout proves highly economical.





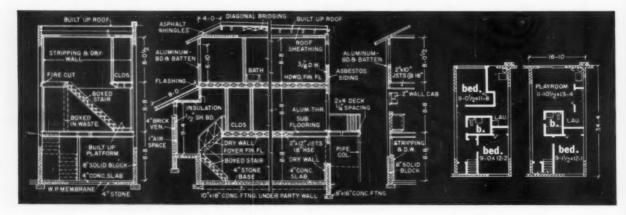
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Builder: Franklin Builders

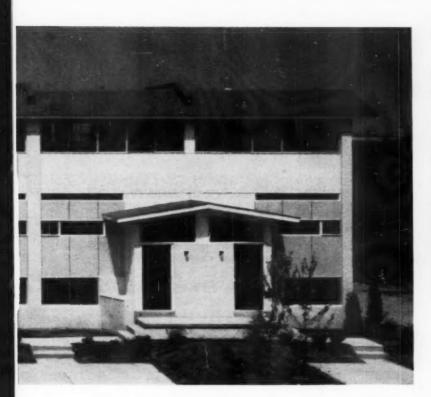
Place: Wilmington, Del.

Price: \$11,990

**The judges say:** "We couldn't pass these houses by. They represent a sound advance in row housing and seem to us a fine answer to housing geared for open occupancy. They solve many relocation problems facing plan-



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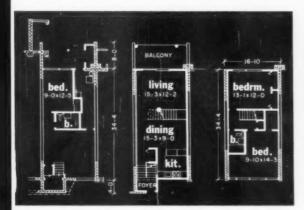
CROSS STAIRWAY: stairway treatment eliminates unsightly corridor effect common to old-fashioned railroad-type flats.

SMART LIGHTING: kitchen wall doubles as facade, making possible natural lighting above and below the wall-hung cabinets.

#### row house

ners of urban redevelopment and slumclearance projects. Their most striking feature is the imaginative use of space despite limitations of 16- to 18-ft. lots. We can't commend them too highly. Builders can profit by them."





FLEXIBLE DESIGN: town-house effect divides living functions vertically: basement doubles as utility and play area; first floor is a family area; top floor contains sleeping quarters. Flexibility begins in the basement. Possibilities include a bedroom and playroom, two bedrooms, or a bedroom and a garage. Imaginative use of space becomes more apparent on the first floor, where cross stairway eliminates railroad-flat effect. The stairway rises to the top floor to service three spacious bedrooms and a bath. Cross sections illustrate economy of design and construction that makes possible \$11,990 to \$13,990 price range. Also, off-street parking is provided for the entire development. This adds attractive selling feature to the houses.

#### AWARD OF MERIT



#### These builders compete—and succeed in the industry's toughest market



JUDGES COMPLIMENTED the "well disciplined" look of this \$23,400 (with land) model. Long porch, dormers, columns, combine to give home an impressive look. Builder is **Cornell Development Corp.**, Riverton, N.J.

**SPACE** was the primary consideration in this Florida home. It's fully air conditioned, has a pool, and plenty of space for entertaining. Builder **Perry E. Willits** of Miami Shores prices it at \$22,250, including the pool.

**STORY-BOOK STYLING** still selfs well in California, and **Bilmar Homes**, **Inc.**, Woodland Hills, is giving their customers what they ask for. This model, at \$19,500 without land, also gives lots of space for the money.

**MASSIVE ROOF,** with novel clerestory strip, gives this \$20,900 (with land) a low-slung look. Concrete strips avoid giving a paved look to the patio. Builder is **Conejo Valley Development Co.,** Thousand Oaks, Calif.

**CONTEMPORARY** turns its back to the street—makes effective use of glass, post-and-beam construction. Board-and-batten siding eases "horizontal" effect. Priced: \$26,875. Builder: Schwartz-Yedor, Beverly Hills.

**CONSERVATIVE STYLING** is the strongest selling point for this Savannah colonial. Tuck-away treatment of garage gives a sense of spaciousness. The model is priced at \$19,500 without land. Builder is **John Ahern.** 

JUDGES FOUND the \$18,325 (w/o land) price tag on this model hard to believe. Living areas focus on cantilevered deck; split-level design makes maximum use of space. Builder is **E. B. Vaughters** of Seattle, Wash.

#### WINNERS: over \$16,000

**TRESTMAN REALTY**, of New Orleans, offers this compact model at \$16,800 without land. Used brick gives the spacious home a substantial look. Judges were impressed by its easy maintenance features.

SWEEPING ROOFLINE gives sense of space to this California contemporary. Extended roof shelters entry, covers storage wall, frames enclosed patio. Price: \$24,300. Builder: Harlan Homes, Broomfield Hts., Calif.

**RISING LAND PRICES** have promoted a trend back to two-story homes. Judges thought this \$20,000 (without land) model a good example of current efforts. Builder is **George M. Holstein**, Costa Mesa, Calif.

YOU CAN BARELY SEE the house for the trees. But builders **Beir-Higgins** of Allendale, N.Y., are among those who believe that existing trees are an effective sales tool. The judges agreed. Price is \$25,900 (w/o land).

**DESIGN** has always been the strongpoint of Don Scholz' homes, and his "Mark '59" is considered the bellwether of the prefab industry. This one, at \$24,000 without land, takes a prize for Toledo's **Valleybrook Homes.** 

NEAT LINES of this \$19,450 (w/o land) model in Palo Alto, Calif., confirm trend away from gingerbread. Spacious floor plan, shake roof, smartly scaled exterior swung the judges. Builder is **Brown & Kaufman**.

**PEOPLE IN FT. WAYNE** say, "Nobody builds better homes than **the Worthmans."** Judges saw the cutaway wall sections in this \$22,625 model, were impressed. Masonry veneer is flowerpots set in mortar.

**OVERHANGING EAVES** give sheltered look to entry of this model. "L"shaped plan separates sleeping and living areas. Judges felt \$20,750 (w/o land) price represented real value. Builder is **Walter Liese**, San Antonio.

















### AWARD OF MERIT



## The common denominator in these homes is quality—in design and construction















**POST-AND-BEAM** construction cut framing costs in this California model. Builders, **Lincoln Lumber Co.**, Oakland, used variety of materials to create handsome entrance. Home is priced from \$11,250 exclusive of land.

**SIXTEEN** alternate elevations are available for this solid model. Priced at \$12,000 without land, it offers a thousand sq. ft. of living area. The garage doubles as a play area. Builder: **Bollinger-Martin**, Louisville.

**TEXTURED ROOF** gives this house a massive feeling. Price is \$15,100 (without land) in Gardena, Calif. Builder is **Leo J. Shanahan and Sons.** Judges liked use of garage as a sound baffle for sleeping area.

**HERE's** an unusual split. High-rise post-and-beam framing let the builders add a carport and improve the scale of the home. The model is priced at \$15,700. It's built in Reading, Mass. by **Massachusetts Builders.** 

MANY CONSIDER John Long the Southwest's most savvy builder. This Phoenix, Ariz., model shows you why. It's priced at \$12,665, sports a cedar shingle roof (popular in the area), boasts lots of living space.

JUDGES FELT this spacious model (\$15,990 without land) was an excellent buy. An unusual feature in this price range is the tile roof. Rutenberg Construction Co.—Clearwater, Fla.'s biggest—is the builder.

JUDGES THOUGHT this \$15,400 (without land) model was extremely well built. Imaginative treatment of entry and windows belie moderate cost, give the house a disciplined look. Builder: Tricon Ltd., Sarnia, Ont.

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#### WINNERS: under \$16,000

STRIKING COMBINATION of stone, glass, and exposed-beam construction caused judges to cite this entry by Branden Enterprises, Hollywood, Calif. The house sells for \$12,995 without land—and is well worth it.

**CLEAN-CUT STYLING** of this model enthused the judges. Priced at \$10,375 without land, it offers a functional plan, plenty of space. Ease of maintenance is another sales feature. Builder is **Janis Co.**, No. Miami.

**CONCRETE-BLOCK** screen gives luxury touch to this San Antonio model. Home offers 882 sq. ft. of indoor area for \$10,350. Patio around two sides of house adds 400 sq. ft. Builder: **Ray Ellison Homes, Inc.** 

THIS HOUSE was efficiently planned, efficiently built, the judges said. It offers substantial living area for \$14,-850, without land. Builders **Braun** and Aldrich find it sells well in discriminating north Illinois.

THIS COMPACT MODEL sells for \$8,250 with land in Canton, Ohio less than \$10 per sq. ft. of living area. The home has three bedrooms, and an 18'x11'-6" living room. Builder is Arnell Construction Co., Canton, Ohio.

THE JUDGES AGREED that this model represented a good buy at \$10,-750 (excluding land). Effective use of space is its strongest selling point. Builders are Bruscino Eastgate Gardens, Inc., Bay Village, Ohio.

**THIS IMAGINATIVE MODEL** (\$8,150 without land) has four bedrooms, 1-3⁄4 baths, two large storage areas. Builders, **Lusk Homes**, of Tucson, Ariz., believe in providing space, letting owner choose appliances.

**TEXTURED BRICK** gives a rugged appearance to this Texas ranch (\$14,-250 with land). Living area is centered around a rear patio; "L" shaped plan separates living and sleeping areas. **Beck Const. Co.**, Odessa, Tex.

















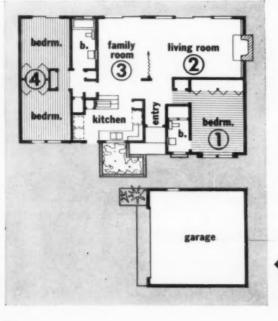
"MANDALAY" turns a simple, well screened face to the street. Living area is in rear.

## A house divided



HOW AMERICAN BUILDER BLUEPRINT No. 269

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How important is a good floor plan to a model house? Very, said the judges in AMERICAN BUILDER'S 1958 Best Model Homes Contest. To prove it, they awarded a next-tothe-top prize to this well-laid-out ranch.

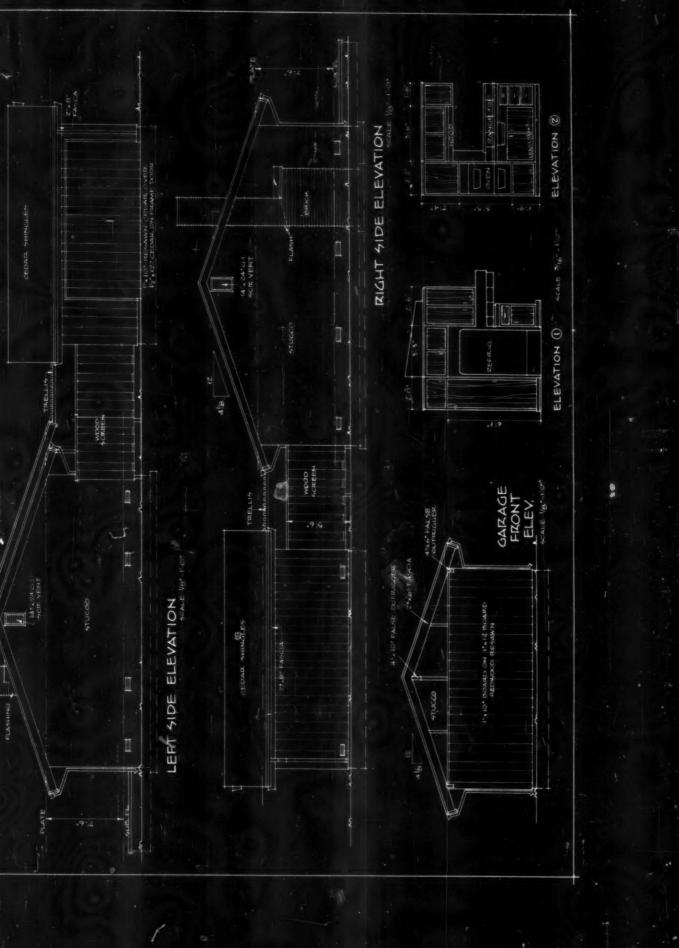
Key to the flexibility of this plan lies in splitting the sleeping areas. Architects Harris, Rice, and Campbell of Los Angeles moved the master bedroom and its bath to the formal end of the house, put the family room and kitchen across the middle. Result is a living area that can be opened wide for entertaining or closed to separate children and adults, and a sleeping plan that gives complete privacy to the master bedroom.

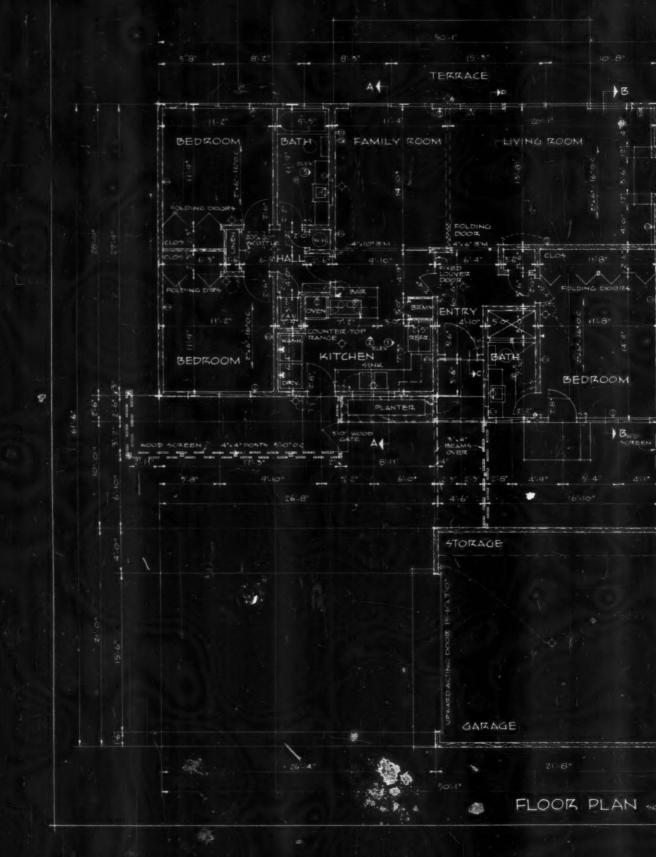
Grandview Building Co. builds this house in Palos Verdes, Calif., sells it for \$18,200, not including land.

**FLOOR PLAN** is divided into four distinct areas: master bedroom suite (1), formal living room (2), family room and kitchen area (3), children's sleeping area (4). Note the excellent traffic flow pattern.





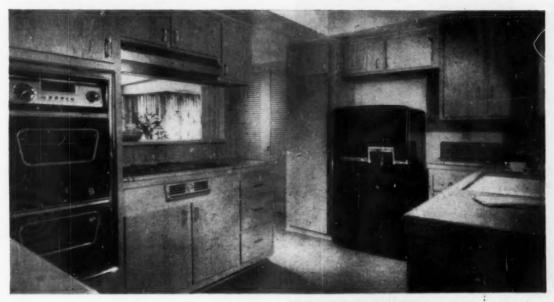








#### **BLUEPRINT HOUSE No. 269, continued**



**VIEW OF THE KITCHEN** from the back door shows a compact, workable arrangement. Pass-through leads to the family room, louvered doors open to the front entry.

#### Brand-name products used

in the Blueprint House

Lennox warm-air furnace Alumi-Bestos heating ducts Minneapolis-Honeywell heat controls Schlage doer hardware Mission hot-water heater RCA TV antenna jack and outlet Del-Cor aluminum windows NuTane door chimes NuTame range hood and fan Carlton sliding room dividers Gaffers and Sattler oven and range Gladding, McBean ceramic kirkone counter tile Wate King garbage disposer Thermofiow shower mixing valves Thermofiev slower mixing valves Thermofiev aluminum sliding doors Matico both and kirken floer tile Super-Silent Scovill water closet ball cocks Hallmack bafhroom accessories Gelvatex polyvinyl exterior paint Price Pfister shower and shower rod Price Pfister fireplace tim leg-lighter valve Permabilt medicine cabinets



**FAMILY ROOM** is seen here from the living room, with the kitchen in the far rear. Folding doors, shown at left, separate the two rooms for formal entertaining.

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#### List of Materials for Blueprint House No. 269

| AMERICAN BUILDER HOU                     | SE No. 269      |
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| TOTAL HOUSE AREA                         | 1,386 sq. ft.   |
| TOTAL GARAGE AREA                        | 455 sq. ft.     |
| -EARTH EXCAVATION &                      | GRADING-        |
| Topsoil 6" Grade Exc. & Pile             | 6,330 sq. ft.   |
| Earth Foundation Exc. & B'fill           | 620 cu. ft.     |
| Earth Hand Footing Exc. & B'fill         | 305 cu. ft.     |
| Earth Grade Beam Exc. & B'fill           | 260 cu. ft.     |
| Earth Crawl Space Leveling               | 1,330 sq. ft.   |
| Gravel 4" Floor Subfill                  | 760 sq. ft.     |
| Water Encountered Drainage               | Sum             |
| -CONCRETE CONSTRUCTIO                    | N & FINISH-     |
| 2500# Concrete Chim. & Wall Footings     | 155 cu. ft.     |
| 2500# Concrete Chim. & Wall Footings For | rms 305 sq. ft. |
| 2500# Concrete Grade Beams               | 75 cu. ft.      |
| 2500# Concrete Grade Beams Forms         | 285 sq. ft.     |
| 2500# Concrete Chim. & Found, Walls      | 310 cu. ft.     |

| 2300# Concrete Chim. & Found. Walls Forms | 1,100 sq. fl. |
|---|---------------|
| 2500# Concrete 6" Apron Slab O.G.         | 45 sq. ft.    |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Platform Slab O.G.      | 70 sq. ft.    |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Terrace Slab O.G.       | 220 sq. ft.   |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Garage Floer Slab O.G.  | 430 sq. ft.   |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Planter Slab O.G.       | 20 sq. ft.    |
| 2500# Concrete 8" Hearth Slab & Forms     | 10 14. 8.     |
| 2500# Concrete 12x7# Step. Form & Finish  | 4 lin. ft.    |
| 2500# Concrete Floor Hounch               | 15 cu. ft.    |
| Monolithic Floor Finish                   | 430 sq. ft.   |
| Monolithic Floor Floor Finish             | 335 sq. ft.   |
| Kraft Paper Floor Prot. & Cur'a           | 800 sq. ft.   |
| Carb. & Grout Conc. Well Rubbing          | 115 19. 11.   |
| Trade Nems Set-In                         | Sum           |
| -STEEL ROD & MESH REINFORCING             | G-            |
| #10 Steel 6x6" Mesh Floor Reinforcing     | 265 1g. ft.   |
| #4 Steel .668# Rod Reinforcing            | 55 lin. ft.   |

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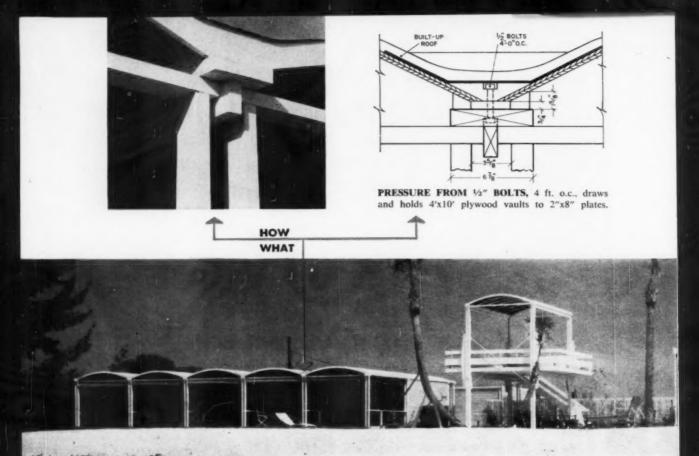
| AMERICAN BUILDER HOUSE No. 269           |         |
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|  | sq. ft. |
| TOTAL GARAGE AREA 455                    | sq. ft. |
| -EARTH EXCAVATION & GRADING-             |         |
| Topsoil 6" Grade Exc. & Pile 6,330       | sq. ft. |
| Earth Foundation Exc. & B'fill 620       | cu. ft. |
| Earth Hand Footing Exc. & B'fill 305     | cu. ft. |
| Earth Grade Beam Exc. & B'fill 260       | cu. ft. |
| Earth Crawl Space Leveling 1,330         | sq. ft. |
|  | 54. 91. |
| Water Encountered Drainage               | Sum     |
| -CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION & FINISH-         |         |
| 2500# Concrete Chim. & Wall Footings 155 | cu. ft. |
|  | sq. ft. |
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|  | sq. ft. |
|  | CW. #1. |

| 2500# Concrete Chim. & Found. Wells Forms 1, | ,100 | sq. ft.  |
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| 2500# Concrete 6" Apren Slab O.G.            | 45   | sq. ft.  |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Platform Slab O.G.         | 70   | 1q. ft.  |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Terrace Slab O.G.          | 220  | 1q. ft.  |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Garage Floor Slab O.G.     | 430  | sq. ft.  |
| 2500# Concrete 4" Planter Slab O.G.          | 20   | 8q. ft.  |
| 2500# Concrete 8" Hoarth Slab & Forms        | 10   | sq. ft.  |
| 2500# Concrate 12x7# Step, Form & Finish     | 4    | lin. ft. |
| 2500# Concrete Floor Haunch                  | 15   | cu. ft.  |
| Monolithic Floor Finish                      | 430  | sq. ft.  |
| Monolithic Floor Flout Finish                | 335  | 84. ft.  |
| Kraft Paper Floor Pret. & Cur'g              |      | 3q. ft.  |
| Carb. & Grout Conc. Wall Rubbing             | 115  | sq. ft.  |
| Trade Items Set-In                           |      | Sum      |
| -STEEL ROD & MESH REINFORCING-               |      |          |
| #10 Steel 6x6" Mesh Floor Reinforcing        | 265  | 1q. ft.  |
| #4 Steel .668# Red Reinforcing               |      | lin. ft. |

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BUILT IN EARLY '50s, Sanderling Beach Cabana (Sarasota, Fla.) exemplifies Rudolph's pioneering in plywood shapes.

# COMPONENTS... New shapes of things

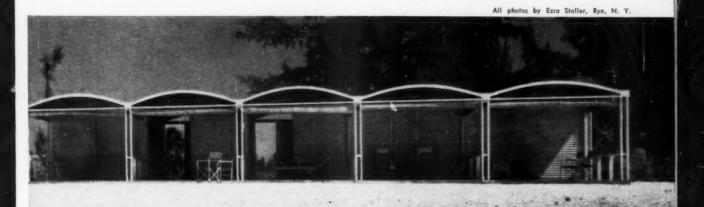


VAULTS of Hook Beach House span 6'10". They were made by bending ¼" plywood over a temporary frame. Two 4'x8' sheets were glued and nailed together, with joints lapping 2'.

**GIRDERS 2 FT. THICK** span 32 ft. to create a spacious living - family area. Projecting beyond the clerestory windows, the girders rest on porch columns, visible to the rear.

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- No one doubts that houses will be built more and more of larger parts rather than small pieces.
- That's been the trend for years—will be for years to come.
- Today, one of the first "larger parts"—the 4'x8' plywood sheet—is being used to make even larger parts, or components.
- There's been a chain reaction—beginning with designers like Paul Rudolph...



THIN PLYWOOD SHELLS span 10 ft., offer beauty, economy. They're made of 2 layers of 4'x10' sheets of 3%" plywood.

## to come in building

Photo below by Lionel Murphy, Sarasota, Fla.



**P** aul Rudolph (left, below) head of Yale's architectural department—is one of America's most inventive designers.

In the photo, he's pointing out to AMERICAN BUILDER'S Joe Ferche how he uses clerestory windows to make an advantage out of a disadvantage—the considerable depth of long-span box beams made of plywood.

"People thought we were out of our minds when we started using large stressed-skin panels and roof vaults of plywood," says Rudolph.

Yet today there is growing recognition that bending plywood into vaults—or gluing it over frames—brings out the maximum strength of the material (and gives economy, easy assembly, and simple, clean good looks).

First broad acceptance of plywood components has been in the light commercial field. Only now are components beginning to find their way into houses . . .



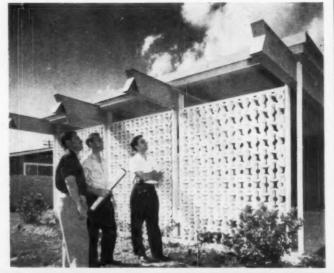
Warner and Don Fleishman-10-house-a-year builders-were quick to see how plywood vaults could contribute to a house. Here, they show editor Ferche how vault clerestories give openness and light to inside kitchen and family room. In this year's Houston parade, they were given the theme: "Plywood and Plastics"—used plywood shapes in both vaults and box beams. "We'd never have gone to the trouble of site fabrication of the vaults if they were available locally at competitive prices," says Warner Fleishman. Yet the builders had no choice.

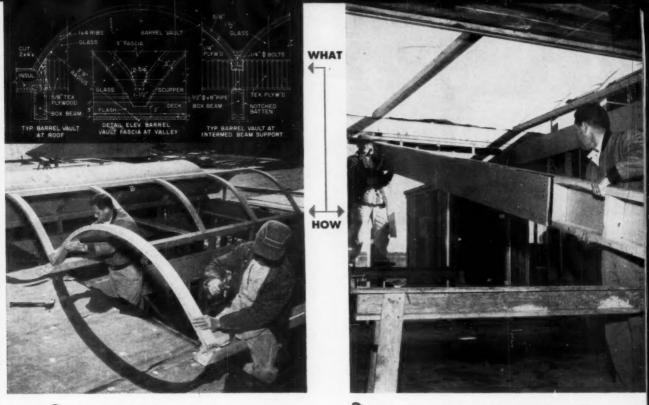
#### Small custom builder:

#### "Standardized parts don't mean

4 New plastic Ther-Mo Roof covers vaults. High insulative qualities, low maintenance. Cost Fleishmans \$17.50 a square. Future components will come coated with roofing—need only caulking. In sketch: 1. roofing felt; 2. asphalt, chips; 3. Ther-Mo liquid; 4. marble chips. 5 "We find, building in our price range (\$30,000 and up), we have to give our buyers something different," say the Fleishman brothers. "That's why we go to the trouble of detailing the ends of the projecting box beams with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 51%" trim, use grilles for solar screening."





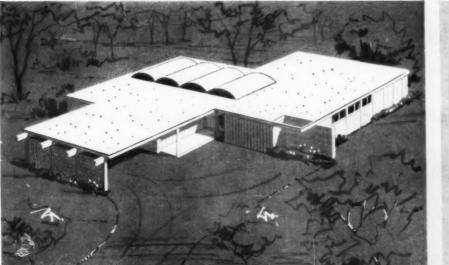


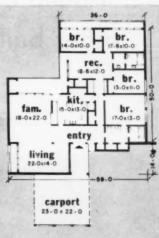
2 Lacking ready-made components, they laminated their own ribs (6 plys of ¼" fir plywood), fitted them into beveled troughs—over which they bent and nailed %" plywood sheets. Fleishmans admit it was hard to do with the labor they had, but claim effect was worth it.

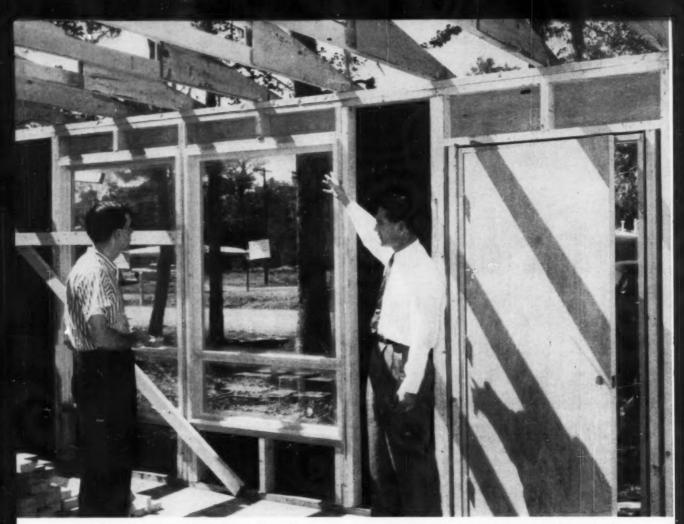
3 Much easier were plywood box beams. Two men made beams for the whole house in one day. (Temperature control was minimum in south Texas.) Beams are strong as two 2x12's, with one-third the weight. They support vaulted and flat roof areas.

#### standardized houses"

6 Bird's-eye view and plan show how vaults were used functionally over inside family room and kitchen. Exterior-wall finish is Texture 1-11 with contrasting brick. Fleishman brothers look forward to the day when they can buy stock components they want locally. Components will let custom builders like themselves—who build on scattered lots —build with parts, still get the flexibility they need. 7 Centrally located kitchen is buffer between living-family areas, playroom and sleeping areas. Baths are convenient to both.







"My objective is to build a house in no days, with no people, with no dollars," Clayton Powell tells AMERICAN BUILDER. And this Savannah builder is coming closer and closer to his goal with plywood components. "In wall components, a thin plywood sheet does the work of double 2x6's or better over window and door openings. Our building operation is now geared to a 14-day schedule. With components, we're dried-in the first day."

#### 100-house builder:

## "I build components for myself and 15 other builders, too"

"Components don't limit me in the houses I build. They can be





Powell builds components in his own shop (an old railroad warehouse). Advantages: less skilled labor, ideal arrangement of tools, jigs and materials, easy control of temperature and moisture for gluing.



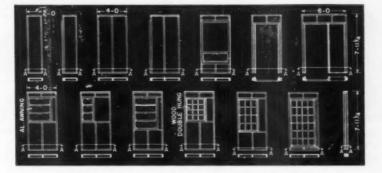
4 "We're getting into an erector-set type operation," says Powell. "For instance, we plumb up one wall, then these truss-cleats automatically line up the opposite wall. Saves time, cuts mistakes."



3 "Another reason our shop is efficient is that we stockpile components," says Powell. "That lets us maintain steady production. And, when an order comes in, we can fill it immediately."



5 If you produce components efficiently, you probably produce more than you need. Powell's components company sells to 15 other builders. Manager is Ernie Prow (right) formerly of National Homes.



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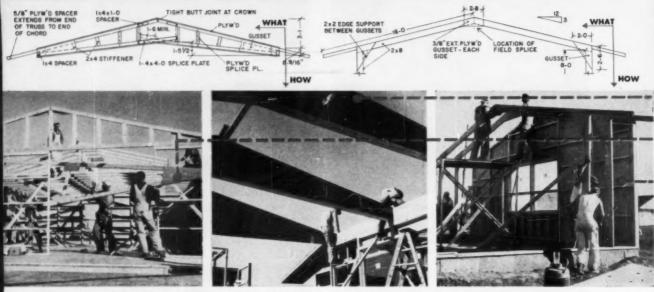
Small custom builders can buy Powell's components from catalog pages. They get an edge on their competition; they know what their on-site costs will be. Powell is expanding his line for the '60s. (AMERICAN BUILDER for Feb., 1960 will have details.)

big or small – ranch, colonial, modern, splits..."



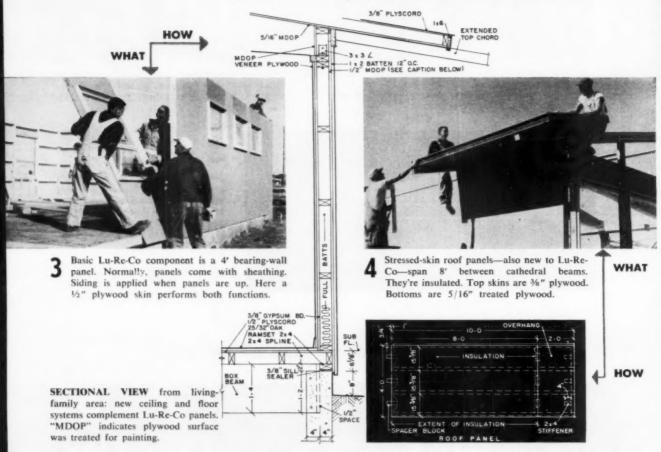






Lu-Re-Co components, available to builders through local lumber dealers, now include three types of roof components employing plywood. Left to right, they are truss, cathedral beam, and rigid bent. Beams are prefinished with a hardwood veneer, come divided lengthwise into halves for easier erection. Bents (used in house, right, for framing garage roof) lend themselves to low-cost farm construction as well.

#### New components fit Lu-Re-Co

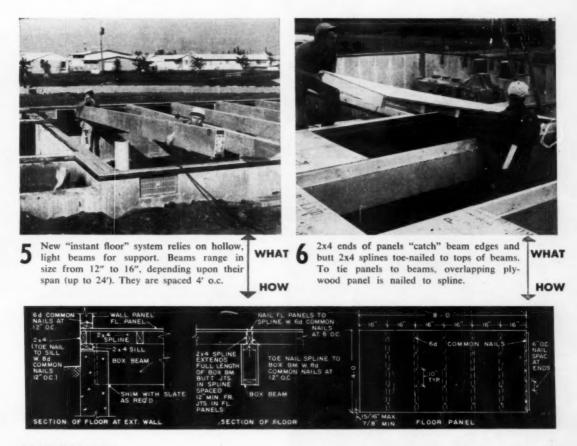


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2 Douglas Fir Plywood Association is building this research house (in Champaign, Ill.) in cooperation with Lumber Dealers Research Council and Plywood Fabricators Servic It's a showcase for box beams, stressed-skin panels, rigid frames, and a panelized floor system. Its plan is zoned, with a quiet bedroom wing at left, living and dining wing in center, and garage at right.

# system like a glove



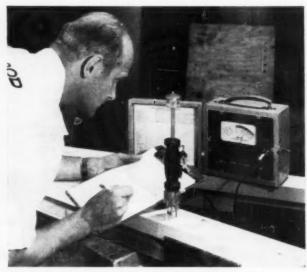
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In photo at left, a folded-plate roof goes up for a residence. Above, a vaulted roof unit for an apartment house comes out of the gluing jig. The larger the component, the more important that it be built in a shop, under controlled conditions.

# With new



4 Moisture content of truss member is checked out by quality supervisor. It must not exceed 18% of manufacturer's specs for the glue. Prime requisite for membership in new quality control group is ability to manufacture to specifications.





2 One dome-like component roofs an entire classroom. Properly built, such components save time and money, last indefinitely. But 25 years' watch-dogging the plywood industry by the DFPA has underscored the need for quality control in fabrication.

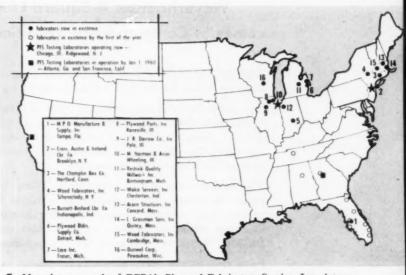


Small-town lumber yard serves as an outlet and assembly point for components for local drive-in bank. Diamond-shaped, stressed-skin panels were fabricated in a shop several miles away. Operations like this probably will become common.

# shapes blossoming out all over...



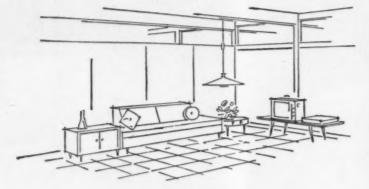
5 Roving quality engineers pull plugs from random panels at nonvital spots. If panel is substandard, fabricator's quality label can be withdrawn.



6 Map shows growth of DFPA's Plywood Fabricators Service, Inc., into a nationwide network of fabricators, supported by laboratories and engineering services. Pilot program started in March; membership has since doubled. PFS is a nonprofit affiliate of the Douglas Fir Plywood Assoc. It qualifies fabricators who prove they can produce components to rigid specs.

# launches program to guard quality

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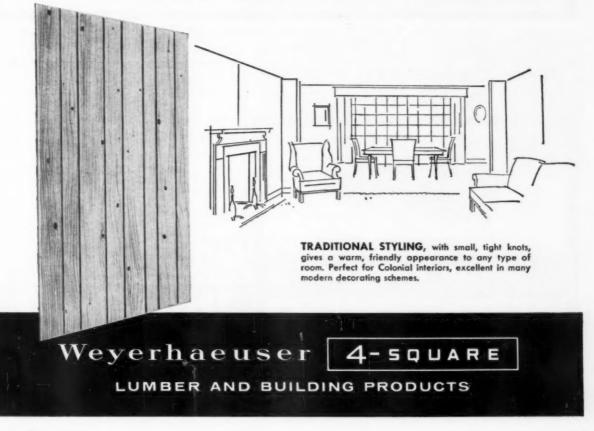
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FORMAL STYLING, generally clear with small scattered natural characteristics, is ideal for either the clean, modern look or for traditional elegance. It can be stained any natural wood finish or given one of the new high color treatments.

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#### American Builder YOUR GUIDE TO NEW PRODUCTS

Three new ways to partition, screen, or fence —either indoors or out

Decorative partitioning will be a "big item" in 1960 homes. This cutout screening (which is old news to West Coast builders) has crossed the country to reach buyer acceptance everywhere. It can be bought in panels, or made of blocks or tiles. Materials range from concrete block to clay tile, ceramics, wood, aluminum.

The idea originated as a sun screener and was used outdoors. But now it's gone fancier, and in lighter materials makes a pleasant, airy, indoor divider.

In aluminum — "Karvalum" screens can be ordered in quantity from two standard widths, 3' and 4' and two standard lengths, 8' and 10'. Thickness is ¼". Comes in variety of patterns. Can be anodized in gold, satin, copper, and in colors. See matching photo and details.

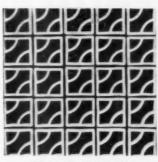
In ceramics—the "Vista-Flex" screen unit. Designed for interior or exterior use, it comes in six standard colors in highgloss glazes. Standard 4", 8" sizes; custom shapes from 3" to 12". See photo.

In clay tile—"Sol-R-Wal" solar screens. Six basic forms (see drawings, right) can be combined into any number of patterns. Use indoors or out.





ALUMINUM SCREEN is particularly good for the contemporarystyled house. This material calls for a minimum of maintenance. From Morris Kurtzon, Inc. (Circle No. D1, p. 102).

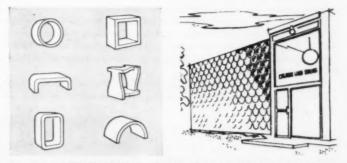


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2 CERAMIC CURTAIN can take on any number of patterns from arrangement of only one type of Vista-Flex tile. High glaze promises durability. Shawnee Potteries. (Circle No. D2, p. 102).



3 SIX BASIC FORMS in clay tile gives Sol-R-Wal high degree of design flexibility. Can be used as privacy screens (above), sun screens, garden walls, etc. Malvern Flue Lining, Inc. (Circle No. D3, p. 102).

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#### "Built-in" plastic drawers

Clear plastic Uni-drawers come in sets designed to organize storage space. Drawers glide smoothly on upright metal supports which are easily screwed into place. Complete grouping can be installed in less than hour. Each drawer is 15½" long, 10" wide, 6" deep. Supports in four heights.—Result Mfg. Co. Circle No. D5 on reply cord, p. 102.



#### Oven has own exhaust blower

This built-in oven has its own exhaust blower system. Eliminates separate installations for oven and hood. Improves appearance, is more efficient. Filter material is of stranded aluminum, framed with aluminum channels. Easily removed.—Thermador Electrical Mfg. Co.

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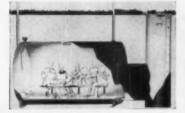
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#### **Steel fallout shelter**

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#### Will shape any material

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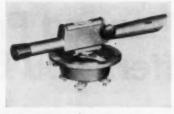
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#### Transit-level has new base

New model level-transit has aluminum-alloy base enclosed for protection from dirt and moisture. Also, smooth finish for easier cleaning. Retains previous features—12power telescope, either-hand rack and pinion focusing, built-in sunshade. Price: \$54.50.—David White Instrument Co.

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#### **Dome is prefabricated**

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Form board is flexible

Permanent form board faced with glass cloth is designed for pouredin-place gypsum and aggregate concrete roof decks. Flexible for easy installation, makes ceilings resistant to damage, fire. Adds insulation and soundproofing. Regular 32x48x1", or special order.—Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.

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**Collects solar heat** 

Device for collecting solar heat consists of "tube-in-strip" panels joined together. Small panels are 10'x16'' strips of copper containing inflatable copper tubing integrated with the metal. Joined with simple tools, easy to inflate. Ideal for heating swimming pools.—Year-Round Comfort, Inc.

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Tiles insulate, soundproof

Multicellular plastic wall and ceiling covering offers sound control and insulation. Pliant, cushiony tiles are <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" thick, 10x10", 10x20", 20x20". Can be applied directly to plaster, metal, aluminum, glass, wallboard, etc. In 20 solid colors and silk-screened designs.—Curon Div., Curtiss-Wright Corp.

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#### **Cleaner tile installation**

"Jet Tube" with pusher is new method of applying A-99 ceramic wall-tile adhesive. Eliminates carrying buckets, ends dripping, smearing, cleaning up after a job. Can be recapped and saved. One tube covers approx. 10 sq. ft. Makes estimating easy. Saves job time, and cuts costs.—Pecora, Inc.

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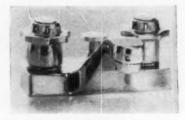


Screed is light, adjustable

Twin-beam vibrating screed for narrow slabs has one beam to strike off the concrete, one to remove air bubbles. Outstanding feature is extreme light weight of screed. Amplitude of vibration can be adjusted and locked in position. In 4' to 12' lengths; 4' weighs 140 lbs.— Stow Mfg. Co.

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New non-rotating faucet valve eliminates dripping. Has no seat washer to wear out. Valve is compressed against seat for closure. Utilizes diaphragm principle of water control, has all moving parts outside flow area. Handle is fluted and insulated, easy to grip.— American Standard.

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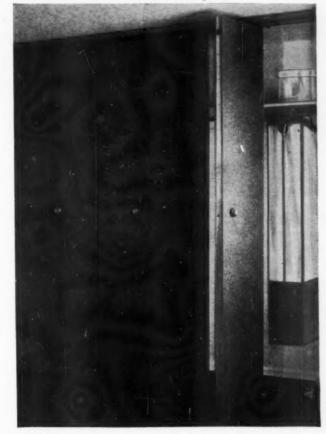
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# "100% closet access, easy to install, won't warp or stick—

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Circle No. D26 on reply card, p. 102.



Makes cornering easier

New cornering system for staking out foundations can be operated by one man. Has sliding built-on levels and retractable rules for each arm. Ball and socket corner joint allows leveling of each horizontal arm without distortion to other. Sharppointed stakes are steel, 1" in diameter.—Richey Mfg. Co.

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#### Air filter operates alone

Air filter removes dust and smoke with electrostatic charge. Unit operates with self-exciting type generator which builds up charge of approx. 15,000 to 18,000 volts in filtering fiber. Larger Model 102 has approx. 128 sq. in. filtering surface. Has ultraviolet lamp to purify air.—Coolerator Div., Mc-Graw-Edison Co.

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Let a work-test prove to you what Dominick Caruso, builder, of Merchantville, N. J., has already learned about the nimble OC-46 loader. "I find I am saving at least \$2 per hour on only the operating costs. And I know we have cut our excavating time, too," he reports.

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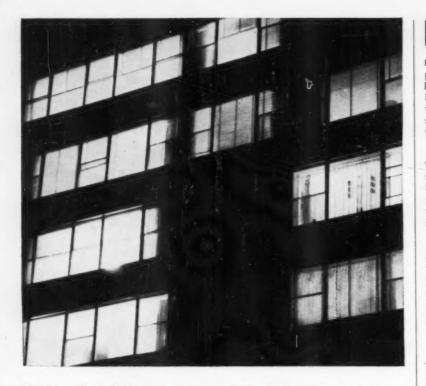
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HIDDEN VALUES of metal building products described in 8-page booklet. Gives detailed drawings of vapor barrier, termite shield, utility sheet, wall ties, footer forms, reflective insulation—a total of 14 products.— Quaker State Metals Co.

Circle No. D29 on reply card, p. 102.

WET PICKUP and automatic downthe-drain disposal are features of built-in vacuum system described in four-page folder. Lists other advantages such as simple, neat installation.—My Maid Corp.

Circle No. D30 on reply card, p. 102.

**HEAT PUMPS** for heating and cooling electrically described in fourpage folder. Drawings illustrate summer and winter home ventilation, show advantages over conventional separate heating and cooling.—Westinghouse.

Circle No. D31 on reply card, p. 102.

"POOL FACTS" is title of 22-page booklet covering all phases of pool construction and maintenance. Gives technical information in nontechnical approach—from financing to filing.—Paddock of California.

Circle No. D32 on reply card, p. 102.

LOCKS FOR ALL DOORS are described in beautiful 12-page catalog. Includes accessories, trims, finishes, installation aids. Gives detailed cutaway drawings, specifications. Tells how to order.—Challenger Lock Co.

Circle No. D33 on reply card, p. 102.

**BUILT-IN RANGES** are illustrated in full-color pamphlet. Gives electrical specifications for ovens, surface units. Shows latest features of deluxe and budget models; rotisseries, meat probes, automatic controls, etc.—RCA Whirlpool.

Circle No. D34 on reply cord, p. 102.

"BUILDINGS FOR BUSINESS—a Design for Profit" is subject of planning-aid booklet. Discusses aesthetic as well as functional aspects of commercial buildings.—American Institute of Architects.

Circle No. D35 on reply card, p. 102.

LOW-COST INSULATION of reflective type is described in how-to folder. Facts and figures show manhour savings with easy, light-weight application. Illustrates installation for best thermal efficiency and vapor barrier.—Reflectal Corp.

Circle No. D36 on reply card, p. 102.



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#### CATALOGS

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT for small but growing community discussed in bulletin. Shows "Suburbia" plant furnished and installed on "turnkey" basis. Made to expand several times initial capacity.— Municipal Service Co.

Circle No. D37 on reply card, p. 102.

**TOILET SEAT** with new nylon hinge is featured in folder. Also shown are saddle seat design, tackless polyethyene bar-type bumpers, four-coat flow coated enamel finish. Lists manufacturers producing matching fixtures.—Bemis Mfg. Co.

Circle No. D38 on reply card, p. 102.

"STREAM-LINER" Series of fork-lift trucks described in detail in new 24-page booklet. Shows new lowered cowl, "direct view" instrument panel, treadle-type accelerator. In eight different gasoline, diesel, or LP-gas powered models.—Towmotor Corp.

Circle No. D39 on reply card, p. 102.

**SHEET BOARD** called Pronto Panel described in compact folder. Gives advantages of this kiln-dried sheathing for sidewall, roofs, sub-flooring. Tells why installation is 50% faster. —Southwest Lumber Mills.

Circle No. D40 on reply card, p. 102.

**CONCRETE COLOR CARD** shows eight new modern shades of Dust-On Colored Concrete. Illustrates many uses; gives detailed directions for application. Card is 19" x 3<sup>3</sup>4", pre-punched. Excellent wall chart. —Tamms Industries Co.

Circle No. D41 on reply card, p. 102.

**GRINDING WHEEL** recommendations given in 57-page specifications catalog. Quick reference to more than 1,600 abrasive wheels. For grinding everything from agate to zirconium. Makes buying easier.— The Carborundum Co.

Circle No. 942 on reply card, p. 102.

DECRO-VIDER fiber glass panel screens and room dividers illustrated in colorful folder. Shows how shatterproof, movable panels allow light transmission while creating private areas.—Styline Products Co. Circle No. D43 on reply cord, p. 102.

FLOOR PROTECTION material is described in folder. Dense, nonporous plastic protects surface of concrete, brick, metal or wood. Resists chemicals, abrasion and impact. Goes on easily, cures fast.— Stonhard Co., Inc.

Circle No. D44 on reply card, p. 102.

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**ROOFING SHINGLES** brochure lists specifications of Carey Fire-Chex asbestos-plastic shingles. Includes explanation of Carey Sta-Seal Tabs, adhesive roof protection. Photos show range of colors.—The Phillip Carey Mfg. Co.

Circle No. D45 on reply card, p. 102.

MOULDING CHART makes standard shapes quickly identifiable. Printed on simulated wood-finished paper in solid brown colors. Provides quick reference. Chart is a supplement to Jamco Moulding Catalog.—J. A. Melnick Corp.

Circle No. D46 on reply cord, p. 102.

"YEAR-ROUND CONCRETING" pamphlet summarizes American Concrete Institute's recommendations. Includes sections on accelerators, preparation, objectives, etc. Chart shows effect of 2% calcium chloride at various temperatures.—Calcium Chloride Institute.

Circle No. D47 on reply cord, p. 102.

ALUMINUM TUBING book gives detailed data on tube selection factors. Has tables on property limits, standard tolerances. Details on seamless drawn tube, extruded tube and pipe, etc. Discusses bending, joining, machining.—Revere Copper and Brass, Inc.

Circle No. D48 on reply card, p. 102.

**BATHTUBS**... four different sizes in classic colors ... spotlighted in this full-color brochure. Models, photographs, and design suggestions for bathroom are given.—Lawndale Enameling Co.

Circle No. D49 on reply card, p. 102.

**RUBBER CONTROL JOINTS.** for use in masonry walls, described and illustrated in four-page folder. Includes complete specifications, new features, cutaway drawings.—Cedar Rapids Block Co.

Circle No. D50 on reply card, p. 102.

**CLAY FACING TILE** is thoroughly treated in a new fact-packed brochure. Shows nine new colors. Includes illustrations and charts on sizes, shapes, dimensions.—Facing Tile Institute.

Circle No. D51 on reply cord, p. 102.

**GLUMAC UNITS** go up faster, look better, sell easier. Catalog tells "how-to" for builders. Includes a

complete color chart along with design blueprints for home building. Also size, specifications.—Shakertown Corp.

Circle No. D52 on reply card, p. 102.

AIR CONDITIONS PERIMETER .... Outside walls and "dead" spots get full benefit of air conditioning with "Wall-Line" perimeter system. System can be set up on a btu/hr/ft and cfm/ft basis that will be maintained for the whole room.—The Trane Co.

Circle No. D53 on reply card, p. 102.

HIGH VELOCITY FILE tells how to get the best possible use of highvelocity air distribution. Covers: what is high velocity; what can it do and where can it be used; duct design and construction; temperature control.—Barber-Colman Co. Circle No. D54 on reply cerd, p. 102.

**COLORFUL CLAY TILE** is shown in Romany-Spartan four-page "palette." Illustrates 161 hues and textures in ceramic glazed and natural clay tiles. Assures harmonious blends or contrasts with bath fixtures and wall tiles.—U.S. Ceramic Tile Co.

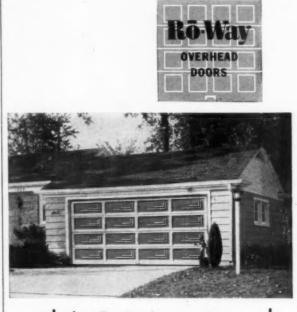
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ALL-PURPOSE MAINTAINER with Torque Converter. 11-page illustrated catalog describes uses and advantages of this tractor-type machine . . . lists manufacturer's other machines.—Huber-Warco Co. Circle No. D57 en reply cord, p. 102.

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**HOW TO CUT COSTS** by letting one tractor do many jobs . . . discussed in new 16-page booklet. Describes 218-hp Model C tractor, shows extensive line of attachments.—Le Tourneau Westinghouse Co.

Circle No. D58 on reply card, p. 102.

"BRICK PACKAGING for more Net Profit" is subject of 16-page illustrated booklet. Discusses advantages of brick unitizing. Describes successful brick packaging systems. —Signode Steel Strapping Co.

Circle No. D59 on reply card, p. 102.

**INSULATE AS YOU DECORATE**— "Colorkrome" aluminum paint both insulates and decorates. Comes in many shades, can be applied to sheet metal, stucco, cinderblock, etc. Applied to roofing materials, it helps bond them to roof, seals nail holes.—M. J. Merkin Paint Co.

Circle No. D60 on reply cord, p. 102.

DRY MASONRY WITH PAINT. Prewetting porous masonry is unnecessary when you use this vinyl paint. Mix with water, apply it directly with brush, roller, or sprayer. Surface conditioner is "built-in" with Polyvinylacetate, cement, additives.—Carbola Chemical Co.

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Circle No. D62 on reply card, p. 102.

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Circle No. D63 on reply card, p. 102.

**REAL WOOD INTERIORS** for hotels, motels, restaurants, illustrated in brochure. Shows paneling ranging from high-grade teak and Benge to inexpensive flexible type of wall covering. Also, guide to Weldwood building products.—U.S. Plywood Corp.

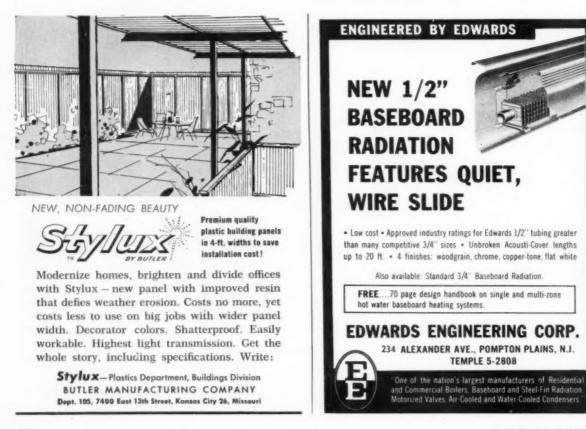
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**EMBOSSED DESIGNS** in architectural porcelain enamel illustrated in folder. Shows how to achieve unlimited design arrangements with these enamel-on-steel panels. Miniature sample kits available.—Davidson Enamel Products, Inc.

Circle No. D65 on reply card, p. 102.

"TECHNICAL TIPS" is title of handy reference book on laminate fabrication. Contains comprehensive drawings, helpful hints, suggestions. Indexed; 16 packed pages.—St. Regis Paper Co.

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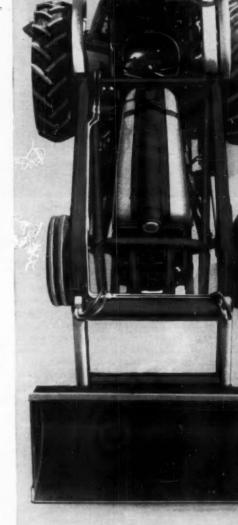
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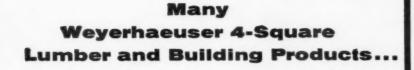
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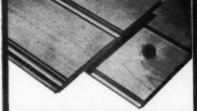






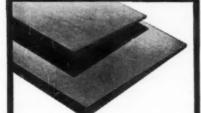


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#### LAND PLANNING SECTION

# EARTH MOVING: the right equipment is half the job

E arth moving has long been the most thoroughly mechanized phase of building. For the builder or excavating contractor, the question is not whether to buy motorized equipment, but rather what equipment is best suited to the job.

On the one hand, there are highly versatile machines that will do a variety of jobs; on the other, specialized machines that do one job at maximum efficiency. Somewhere between these, any operator can find the particular equipment that is best suited to his earthmoving problems.

Here's a preview of what major manufacturers will offer for earth-moving equipment in 1960

FOR THE BUILDER who must make one piece of heavy equipment do many jobs, the Caterpillar No. 933 Series F Traxcavator can dig, load, and buildoze.

Circle No. D67 on reply card, p. 102.

#### **Tractors and accessories**



WORK BULL 1001 is a multipurpose tractor-loader built by Massey-Ferguson. Besides blade, eight other attachments are available.

Circle No. D68 on reply card, p. 102.



**MOST VERSATILE** machine for the builder is the utility tractor. This is an Allis-Chalmers D-14 model, with backhoe and loader.

Circle No. D69 on reply card, p. 102.



OTTAWA MARAUDER is a four-wheeldrive prime mover with high traction. Both the backhoe and front-end loader are integral parts.

Circle No. D70 on reply card, p. 102.



FINISH GRADING is speeded with this Roseman Tiller Rake. It levels, finishes, grades, rakes, and readies for seed in one operation. Circle No. D71 on reply card, p. 102.



LOADER-BACKHOE combination is best for smaller builders. This Shawnee package has 5/8-yard loader, 61/2yard backhoe bucket.

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HUBER-WARCO Maintainer is basically a tractor-grader, can also be equipped with loader, front blade, and special attachments.

Circle No. D73 on reply card, p. 102.

## Small bulldozers



CASE TERRATRAC 600 is a 62-hp crawler tractor. Besides loader, units can have backhoe, power-angling dozer, and tilt dozer. Circle No. D74 on reply card, p. 102.

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JOHN-DEERE Model 64 bulldozer combines power-angling and tilting blade, is available with either gasoline or diesel power.

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COUNTER-ROTATING tracks give unusual steering control to the Oliver OC-9 crawler tractor. A loader model also is available.

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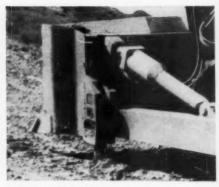
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#### EARTH-MOVING EQUIPMENT, continued Heavy equipment and accessories



NEW LINE of medium- and hightonnage trucks has been introduced by Dodge. They're offered with both gasoline and diesel power. Circle No. D78 on reply card, p. 102.

TRANSIT CRANE-EXCAVATOR is made by Bucyrus-Erie. It carries either hoe or shovel, can be converted to a crane, dragline, or clamshell. Circle No. D79 on reply card, p. 102.



PRECO BACK RIPPER, shown here on bulldozer blade, is especially useful in breaking up frozen ground in winter excavating.

Circle No. D80 on reply card, p. 102.



**ONE MAN** can operate this Cleveland trench backfiller. Complete unit includes crawler, boom, and scraper bucket.

Circle No. D81 on reply cord, p. 102.



MULTIPURPOSE FLECO rakes are bulldozer attachments designed for land clearing. Rakes for special jobs are also offered.

Circle No. D82 on reply cord, p. 102.



DAYBROOK "MAINTAINER" is an inexpensive dump body and hoist package. Capacity: 5 tons. It's designed for a 1-ton truck.

Circle No. D83 on reply card, p. 102.

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#### **Trenchers and tampers**



**DITCH-WITCH** trencher cuts ditches from 4 to 12 in. wide, and to a depth of 3 to 5 ft., depending on the trench width.

Circle No. D84 on reply card, p. 102.



ARPS TRENCH-DEVIL is a small trencher that digs as deep as 54 in. and as wide as 8 in. It's self transporting on short runs.

Circle No. D85 on reply card, p. 102.



MASTER VIBRATOR Co. offers this one-man vibratory compactor, model C-12. It has a 3,500-lb. blow, delivers 2,500 blows a minute. Circle No. D86 on reply card, p. 102.

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When your work season begins next spring, be all set to start making money with new International rigs like these the T-340 crawler and the 340 Utility.

# Get set for '60... your IH dealer will



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4. Protect yourself against possible price increases between now and specified dates next spring.

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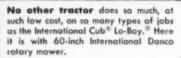
**6.** Assure yourself that you will get delivery of the IH industrial wheel or utility crawler tractor and equipment you need, *when* you need it.

You have the jobs...Your IH dealer has the power and equipment to match...

# Earn an H. Early Trader's Bonus







From mowing to snow removal is all in the year's work for the 13.4 hp International Cub Lo-Boy. The Lo-Boy is shown below, with 54-inch IH frontmounted blade. The husky 45 hp International 340 has the built-in strength and stamina for heavy-duty landscaping, trenching, and materials handling. It leads its power class in fuel economy, too.

It's materials handling unlimited with a heavy-duty front end loader equipped with fork lift attachment. It easily interchanges with crane boom or materials bucket.



Unusual earthmoving versatility is provided by the International Danuser Terra-Scoop with hydraulically-controlled scarifying, loading, dumping, and spreading action.

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# on rigs like these...and many more!

The 45 hp International Drott T-340 Four-In-One combines a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-yd bucket, a scraper, a clamshell, and a dozer all in one machine. Handles jobs no single-purpose rigs can do.



For low-cost operation, the 38.5 hp International 240 Utility, shown with International Wagner loader and International No. 23 side-mounted cutter bar mower, is tops.

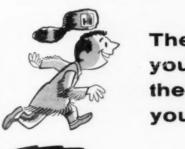
Up to <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cu yd bites speed trenching with the big, 72 hp International 560 tractor, shown here with International Pippin heavy-duty backhoe and loader with <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cu yd bucket.



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The earlier you trade the more you save...



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## on all your 1960 utility tractor and equipment needs

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\*Maximum flywheel hp at standard sea level conditions.

International Cub Lo-Boy, 13.4 hp\* International 140, 28.25 hp\*



International 340 Utility, 45.25 hp\*





International 560, 72.5 hp\*, gasoline, Diesel, LP Gas



International T-340 Crawler, 45 hp\*

3. Backed by the industry's quickest available service

Only International offers you such readily available help for your parts and service needs. No matter where your job is located, one of a nationwide network of 5,000 dealers is nearby. He has well-equipped service facilities, a substantial supply of parts, and factory-trained mechanics. His parts department in turn, is backed by the industry's most extensive network of factory parts depots.

**Big Early Trader's Bonus cash savings** are available NOW on all the International tractors illustrated above. You also get a bonus on International Pippin and International Wagner backhoes and loaders; International Drott T-340 4-in-1; International Danuser blades, scoops, and scraper-scarifiers; and International Danco heavy-duty, center-mounted mowers. There's an IH Dealer near you—see him now for full Early Trader's Bonus Plan details!

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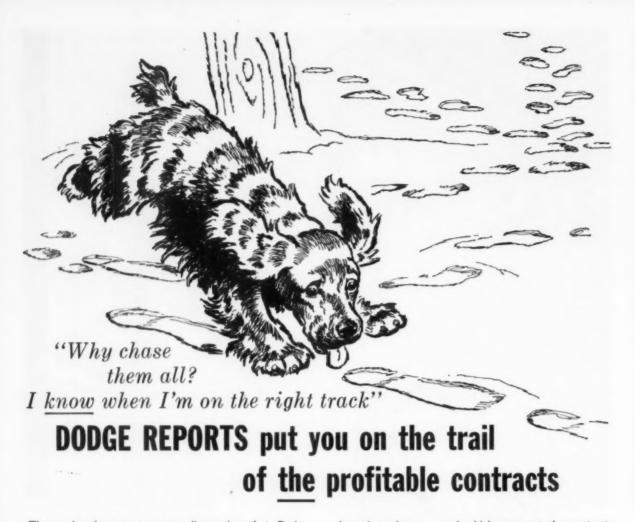
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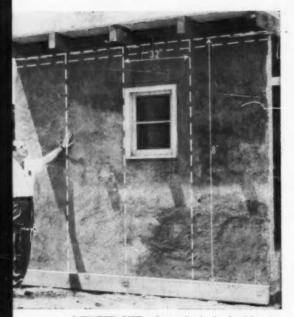
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MOST FAMILIAR USE of cement-coated wood fiber is as commercial roof-deck panels. (Here, span between beams is 32 inches.) Exposed underside makes an attractive finished ceiling.



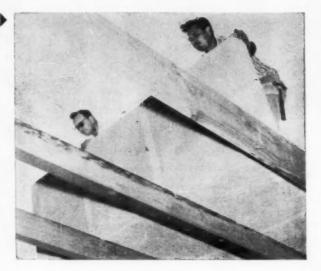
**NEWEST USE** of panels is in load-bearing walls. This demonstration structure has walls of 32-in. by 8-ft. panels, 4-in. thick. Window was cut in after walls were up.

C ement-coated wood fiber has been a widely used roof-deck material for many years. Light, strong, and economical, it has excellent insulation and acoustical properties. And it can be made into boards of almost any size or shape.

Now this roof-deck material is stepping into a new role. An Arizona manufacturer, the Cemex Corp., has found that the properties that make its product good decking material also make it a highly promising wall-panel material.

In the material's first trial in this role, Cemex boards were used as curtain-wall panels in a dozen post-and-beam houses. Builder reported appreciable savings in labor, and the material has proven absolutely stable under the hot desert sun.

More recently, and with approval of the West Coast International Conference of Building Officials' code, the Cemex panels are being used as



#### A familiar roof decking

#### starts a new life

#### as wall panel material

load-bearing walls. The code's only additional requirement is that reinforced stucco be put on the exterior to produce a monolithic structure.

Two factors contribute to the cost-cutting qualities of the Cemex panels. As full-height wall panels, they offer all the economies of component construction. And they can be finished off with a single coat of plaster or stucco on either side. Four-inch material is used for exterior walls; three-inch is sufficient for interior partitions.

Cemex built the structure on the left of this page especially for AMERICAN BUILDER. Steps in its construction are shown on the opposite page. They make up a system which is so simple that—when added to the material's high fire resistance, moisture resistance, and dimensional stability—it should make builders in all parts of the country sit up and take notice.

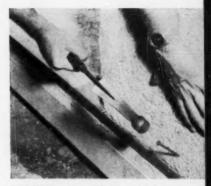
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FIRST STEP is to build corner of two panels. Adhesive is used on edges, pieces are clamped until adhesive has set.



WOOD DOWELS are inserted at corners for extra strength. Rest of panels along side will need no clamping or doweling.



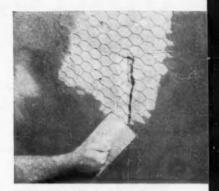
**PANELS** are toe-nailed to sole plate. All vertical joints between panels are tongue and groove, so no side motion is possible.



**OPENINGS** are cut into walls after they are up. Carbide-tipped blades are used, as cement coating will rapidly dull a regular blade.



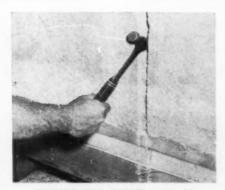
**TROWEL COAT** of plaster is all that's needed for inside finish. Panels are highly stable, virtually eliminate plaster cracks.



SINGLE COAT of reinforced stucco completes exterior finish. Stucco is required for extra strength wherever walls are load bearing.



**BEGINNING** of installation of outlet boxes. Hole is cut through the panel with keyhole saw to exact dimensions of the box.



**GROOVE FOR CABLE** is cut with claw end of hammer. A V-groove can also be cut, using two passes with a power hand saw.



**BOX AND CABLE** are clamped in with clinched nail. As picture above shows, stucco coat will conceal the box from the outside.

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## the clam-action 4-in-1 does "hand work" wholesale!

Square off side walls by cutting downward with 4-in-1 clamshell. Reduce hand labor by squaring the corners for footings; back-dragging the loose material toward the center of the hole; then picking it up with clamshell action.

**Eliminate most costly hand work** from site development, excavating, cleanup, and landscaping. Simply switch machine actions of the International Drott 4-in-1 to do former hand labor jobs, wholesale. You'll also handle operations, materials, and conditions that frustrate old-style, single-action rigs!

For example, on cleanup the 4-in-1 clamshell action replaces "hands," right and left, on trash pick-up and disposal. For fine grading and landscaping, you switch to "carry-type scraper" action to shave off high spots; clamshell action to spot-place topsoil; and bulldozer action for spreading, or grading with inch-close accuracy, under positive "radius control." Find out first hand what it means in profit-earning capacity to switch machine actions instead of machines ... to substitute machine hustle for human muscle on residential earthmoving. Choose the 4-in-1 you need from five sizes. <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-yard to 3-yard capacity. Then ask your International Drott distributor for a demonstration!



The 4-in-1's tremendous triple-power, pry-over-shoe breakout action doubles for dynamite to pop out stumps, trees, and imbedded boulders. Then with clamshell action, you can pick up and load bulky objects without hand "chaining."

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#### **ESTIMATING TAKE-OFF**

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-STUCCO EXT. WALL FINISH-

| Metal Wall Lath                      | 1,105 sq. ft.  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Stucco ¾" Wall 3 coats O.L.          | 1,105 sq. ft.  |
| Stucco 34" Wall 3 coats O.M.         | 185 sq. ft.    |
| -LUMBER FRAMING & CONS               | TRUCTION-      |
| 4x10" Dress. Fir Felse Outriggers    | 5 lin. ft.     |
| 4x6" Dress. Fir False Outriggers     | 10 lin. ft.    |
| 4x4" Dress. Fir Screen Posts         | 105 lin. ft.   |
| 2x8" Dress. Fir Fascia Boarding      | 145 lin. ft.   |
| 2x6" Dress. Fir Fascia Boarding      | 150 lin. ft.   |
| 4x10" Fir Door Headers               | 40 lin. ft.    |
| 4x8" Fir Floor Girders               | 520 lin. ft.   |
| 4x6" Fir Wall Plate                  | 95 lin. fl.    |
| 3x4" Fir Trellis Framing             | SO lin. ft.    |
| 2x8" Fir Ridge Board                 | 70 lin. ft.    |
| 2 2x8" Fir Chimney Hearth Framing    | 15 lin. ft.    |
| 2x8" Fir Floor Box Joist             | 95 lin. ft.    |
| 2 2x6" Fir Wall Plate                | 15 lin. ft.    |
| 2 2x6" Fir Chimney Header            | 6 lin. ft.     |
| 2 2x6" Fir Door Header               | 55 lin. ft.    |
| 2x6" Fir Soffit Blocking             | 140 lin. ft.   |
| 2x6" Fir Roof Joists                 | 1,230 lin. ft. |
| 2x6" Fir Coiling Joists              | 1,235 lin. ft. |
| 2x6" Fir Partition Studs             | 100 lin. ft.   |
| 2x6" Fir Wall Sill                   | 325 lin. ft.   |
| 3 2x4" Fir Corner Posts              | 90 lin. ft.    |
| 2 2x4" Fir Wall Plates               | 195 lin. ft.   |
| 2x4" Fir Wall Studs                  | 1,590 lin. ft. |
| 2x4" Fir Partition Studs             | 1,055 lin. ft. |
| 2x4" Fir Ceiling Furring             | 135 lin. ft.   |
| 2x4" Fir Wall Plates                 | 185 lin. ft.   |
| 2x4" Fir Wall Sill                   | 380 lin. ft.   |
| 2x4" Fir Ceiling Bracing             | 85 lin. ft.    |
| 2x4" Fir Wall Bridging               | 50 lin. ft.    |
| 2x4" Fir Soffit Outlookers           | 440 lin. ft.   |
| 2x4" Fir Storage Shelv. Framing      | 110 lin. ft.   |
| 2x4" Fir Screen Framing              | 95 lin. ft.    |
| 2x4" Fir Window Sills                | 55 lin. ft.    |
| 2x4" Fir Window Jack Studs           | 70 lin. ft.    |
| 2x4" Fir Door Jack Studs             | 265 lin. ft.   |
| 2x2" Fir Partition Studs             | 150 lin. ft.   |
| 2x2" Fir Wall Plate                  | 25 lin. ft.    |
| 2x2" Fir Wall Sill                   | 25 lin. ft.    |
| 2x6" Fir T&G Floor Lining            | 1,350 sq. ft.  |
| 1x8" Fir T&G Roof Lining             | 2,035 sq. ft.  |
| 1x8" Fir T&G V-Groove Roof Lining    | 575 sq. ft.    |
| 1x6" Fir T&G Wall Lining             | 1,730 sq. ft.  |
| 1x6" Fir Rafter Ties                 | 155 lin. ft.   |
| Plywood %" Floor Sub-Finish          | 165 sq. ft.    |
| 15# Felt Roof, Wall & Fir. Isolation | 4,155 sq. ft.  |
| Wood Misc. Furring & Grounds         | Sum            |
| Metal Structural Hardware            | Sum            |

#### -BRICK CONSTRUCTION & VENEER-

| Face Brick 4" Exterior Chim. Veneer       | 130 sq. ft. |
|---|-------------|
| Face Brick 4" Interior Chim. Veneer       | 12 10. 11.  |
| Face Brick 4" Interior Wall Veneer        | 30 sq. ft.  |
| Com. Brick Chimney Construction           | 60 cu. H.   |
| Fire Brick 4" Fire Place Lining           | 30 sq. ft.  |
| P.C. Concrete 3'x2'x4" Chimney Cop        | 1 unit      |
| Terra Cotta 12x12" Chimney Flue           | 13 lin. ft. |
| Stone 8" Planter Walls                    | 30 sq. ft.  |
| Stone 4" Planter Walls                    | 15 sq. ft.  |
| Stone 6x3" Fire Place Mantle              | 13 lin. ft. |
| Slate 1" Chimney Wash                     | 7 sq. ft.   |
| Slate 1" Fire Place Hearth                | 10 sq. ft.  |
| Acid & Morter Exposed Brick Clean & Point | 175 sq. ft. |
| Trade Items Built-In                      | Sum         |

#### -WOOD EXT. & INT. MILLWORK-

| - HOOD EALL & HELL MILLEHORN                         |                |
|--|----------------|
| 1%" Wh. Pine 3'6x6'8 Flush Ext. Doors, F.&T.         | 1 unit         |
| 1 3/4" Wh. Pine 2'8x6'8 Glaz. Ext. Door, F.&T.       | 2 units        |
| 1 3/1" Bir. Ven. 3'4x6'8 Dbl. Int. Door, F.&T.       | 1 unit         |
| 1 3/1" Bir. Ven. 2'6x6'8 Flush Int. Door, F.&T.      | 4 units        |
| 1 3/1" Bir. Ven. 2'4x6'8 Flush Int. Door, F.&T.      | 1 unit         |
| 1 3/8" Bir. Ven. 2'2x6'8 Flush Int. Door, F.&T.      | 2 units        |
| 1 3/1" Bir. Ven. 2'x6'8 Flush Int. Door, F.&T.       | 3 units        |
| 1 1/8" Bir. Ven. 5'6x6'8 Flush Folding Door, F.T.&A. |                |
| 1 3/1 Wh. Pine 2'x6'8 Fixed Louver Door, F.&T.       | 1 unit         |
| Wh. Fine 6'x1'4x1'9 Vanity Wall Cabinet              | 1 unit         |
| Wh. Pine 4'6x1'4x1'9 Vanity Wall Cabinet             | 1 unit         |
| Wh. Pine 5'6x1'x3' Laundry Wall Cabinet              | 1 unit         |
| Wh. Pine Sash 2x6' Showor Door, Sidel. & Trim        | 1 unit         |
| 41/2" Wh. Pine & Cedar 15'6x7' O.H. Garage Door,     | F.T.&A. 1 unit |
| 1x12" Cedar Screen Boarding                          | 250 lin. ft.   |
| 3x5' Cedar Screen Gate & Acc.                        | 1 unit         |
| Cedar Roof Shingles                                  | 2,610 sq. ft.  |
| 1x10" Redwood Vert. Ext. Wall Siding                 | 575 sq. ft.    |
| 1x12" Redwood Vert. Ext. Wall Lining                 | 575 sq. ft.    |
| Wh. Pine 1" Closet Shelving                          | 55 sq. ft.     |
| Wh. Pine Gar. Storage Cabinet                        | 85 sq. ft.     |
| 2x6" Wh. Pine Screen Cap                             | 45 lin. ft.    |
| 1x4" Wh. Pine Wall Base                              | 250 lin. ft.   |
| 3/4" Wh. Pine Shoe Molding                           | 250 lin. ft.   |
| Plastic 13'4x7' Folding Door & Frame                 | 1 unit         |
| Mastic Door & Window Calking                         | 220 lin. ft.   |
| Metal Finish Hardware                                | Sum            |

#### -METAL SHEET WORK-

| Galv. Iron | 14x24" Gable Louver & Screen | 2 units      |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Galv. Iron | 3" Roof Leaders & Acc.       | 60 lin. ft.  |
| Galv. kon  | 6" Rain Gutter & Acc.        | 155 lin. ft. |
| Galv. kon  | 8" Step Flashing             | 20 lin. ft.  |
| Galv. kon  | 8" Platform Flashing         | 30 lin. ft.  |
| Galv. kon  | 16" Termite Shield           | 165 lin. #.  |
| Galv. kon  | Chimney Flashing             | 10 sq. ft.   |
| Galv. Iron | Chimney Cricket              | 5 sq. ft.    |
| Galv. kon  | 1'4x6" Wall Vents & Screen   | 13 units     |



| Gyp. Board 1/3" Ceiling T.J. Bearding<br>Syp. Board 1/3" Wall T.J. Bearding<br>Syp. Board 1/3" Wall Lining<br>Metal Corner Beads<br>— PREFINISHED KITCHEN CABINETS<br>Nood 7/4x2'x3' Sink Cabinet<br>Nood 3'6x2'x3' Sink Cabinet<br>Nood 4'8x2'x3' Range Cabinet<br>Nood 4'8x2'x3' Coyen Cabinet  | 1,255 sq. ft.<br>3,150 sq. ft.<br>270 sq. ft.<br>155 lin. ft.<br>& ACCESS.— |
|---|---|
| -PREFINISHED KITCHEN CABINETS   | & ACCESS  |
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| ood 7'4x2'x3' Sink Cabinet<br>ood 3'6x2'x3' Base Cabinet  |   |
| ood 7'4x2'x3' Sink Cabinet<br>ood 3'6x2'x3' Base Cabinet  | T any la  |
| lood 3'6x2'x3' Base Cabinet   |   |
|   | 1 unit  |
| lood 4 8x2 x3' Kange Cabinet  | l unit<br>l unit  |
| lood Avlv3' Bar Cabinet   | 1 unit  |
| lood 2'x2'x7'6 Oven Cabinet<br>lood 2'x2'x7'8 Ber Cabinet<br>lood 2'x2'x3'x1' Wall Cabinet<br>lood 3'3x1'6'x1' Wall Cabinet<br>lood 3'dx1'6'x1' Wall Cabinet<br>lood 3'dx1's1' Wall Cabinet<br>lood 3x3x1' Wall Cabinet   | 1 unit  |
| lood 3'3x1'6x1' Wall Cabinet  | 1 unit  |
| lood 1'6x2'x1' Wall Cabinet   | 1 unit  |
| ood 3'6x1'6x1' Wall Cabinet   | 1 unit  |
| ood 3x3x1' Wall Cabinet   | tinu f  |
| ormica Counter Tops   | 30 sq. ft.  |
| ALUM. WINDOWS & SLIDING EXT. DO   | DORS & ACC -  |
| hum Each A'v6'6 Stud Wind E ST  |   |
| ium. Sosh A'vA's Fixed Wind E ST  | 2 units<br>2 units  |
| lum, Sash 6x4' Sliding Wind F &T  | 1 unit  |
| lum, Sash 4x3' Sliding Wind, F.AT.  | 1 unit  |
| lum. Sash 3x3' Sliding Wind., F.&T.   | 1 unit  |
| lum. Sash 4x2' Sliding Wind., F.&T.   | 1 unit  |
| Jum. Sash 4'x6'6 Fixed Wind., F.AT.<br>Jum. Sash 6'x6'8 Fixed Wind., F.AT.<br>Jum. Sash 6x4' Sliding Wind., F.AT.<br>Jum. Sash 3x4' Sliding Wind., F.AT.<br>Jum. Sash 3x3' Sliding Wind., F.AT.<br>Jum. Sash 3x3' Sliding Wind., F.AT.<br>Jum. Sash 4x2' Sliding Wind., F.AT.   | 2 units   |
| -PAINT EXT. & INT. FINIS  | H   |
| and & Oil Ext. Millwork 3 coats<br>and & Oil Int. Millwork 3 coats<br>and & Oil Int. Millwork 3 coats<br>and & Oil Stucco Well 2 coats  | 695 sq. ft.   |
| and & Oil Int. Millwork 3 coats   | 565 19. 11.   |
| and & Oil Stucco Wall 2 coats   | 1,290 sq. ft.   |
| ead & Oil Gyp. Bd. Wall 2 coats   | 3,150 sq. ft.<br>1,255 sq. ft.  |
| ad & Oil Gyp. Bd. Ceil. 2 coats   | 1,255 sq. ft.   |
| aad & Oii Stucco Well 2 coats<br>saad & Oii Gyp. Bd. Wall 2 coats<br>saad & Oii Gyp. Bd. Ceil. 2 coats<br>lain & Varnish Ext. Siding 3 coats<br>ain & Varnish Int. Millwork 4 coats   | 1,320 sq. ft.<br>680 sq. ft.  |
|   |   |
| -PLUMBING SYSTEM & FIXT   |   |
| Vater Service Connection & Piping   | 1 unit  |
| as Service Connection & Piping  | 1 unit  |
| as Service Connection & Piping<br>anitary Service Connection & Piping<br>torm Service Connection & Piping   | 1 unit  |
|   | tinu f  |
| avatory Pinion & Accessories  | 2 units   |
| oth Tub. Piping & Accessories   | 1 unit  |
| Vater Closet, Piping & Accessories  | 2 units   |
| itchen Dbl. Sink Piping & Accessories   | 1 unit  |
| hower Head, Piping & Accessories  | 2 units   |
| lothes Washer, Piping & Accessories   | 1 unit  |
| ias Furnace Connection & Piping<br>avatory, Piping & Accessories<br>ath Tub, Piping & Accessories<br>Vater Closet, Piping & Accessories<br>(itchen Dbi. Sink Piping & Accessories<br>hower Head, Piping & Accessories<br>Icothes Wesher, Piping & Accessories<br>Iec. H.W. Heater, Piping & Accessories<br>Iose Bib, Piping & Accessories | 1 unit<br>2 units   |
| tore bin, riping & Accessories  | 4 writes  |
| -HEATING SYSTEM & FIXTU   | RES-  |
| Gas Warm Air Furnace & Accessories<br>Gas Warm Air Ducts & Registers<br>Gas Warm Air Temperature Control Equip.   | 1 unit  |
| as Warm Air Ducts & Registers   | 10 units  |
| ias Warm Air Temperature Control Equip.<br>Jas Warm Air Air Vent Connector & Accessorie   | s l unif<br>s l unif  |
|   |   |
| -ELECTRICAL SYSTEM & FIXT   |   |
| lectric Service Connection  | l unit  |
| lectric Service Panel & Switch<br>elephone Service Connection   | l unit<br>I unit  |
| W. Heater Connection & Wiring   | 1 unit  |
| I.W. Heater Connection & Wiring<br>os Furnace Connection & Wiring   | 1 unit  |
| ryer, Connection & Wiring   | 1 unit  |
| Iven, Connection & Wiring   | 1 unit  |
| lect. Range, Connection & Wiring  | 1 unit  |
| ingle Switch Outlets & Wiring   | 8 units   |
| Ibl. Gang Switch Outlets & Wiring   | 4 units   |
| ies Furnace Connection & Wiring<br>Prover, Connection & Wiring<br>ilect. Range, Connection & Wiring<br>ingle Switch Outlets & Wiring<br>Iogle Switch Outlets & Wiring<br>-Way Switch Outlets & Wiring<br>-Dway Switch Outlets & Wiring<br>-Dway Outlets & Wiring  | 3 units   |
| convenience Outlets & Wining  | 18 units  |
| ight Outlets & Wiring   | 2 units<br>12 units   |
| ight W.P. Outlets & Winne   | 2 units   |
| lishwasher, Connection & Wiring   | 1 unit  |
| ceiling Heater, Connection & Wiring   | 2 units   |
| Convenience Outlets & Wiring<br>ower Outlets & Wiring<br>light Outlets & Wiring<br>Jishwasher, Connection & Wiring<br>Oling Heater, Connection & Wiring<br>Autoust Fen, Connection & Wiring<br>int, P.B. Chime & Wiring<br>Nin, P.B. Chime & Wiring<br>Joiling Fixtures & Bulbs   | 1 uni   |
| int. P.B. Chime & Wiring  | 1 unit  |
| Ceiling Fixtures & Bulbs  | 5 units   |
| Vall Fixtures & Bulbs   | 7 units   |
| xterior Wall Fixtures & Bulbs<br>elevision Antenna & Wiring   | 2 units   |
| ALAVILLAN ANDANA & WINNA  | 1 units   |

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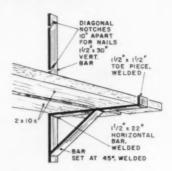


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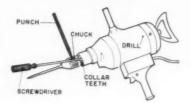
#### edges from sawed Formica



Run edges over a jointer set at a light cut. A guide plank clamped to the jointer fence will prevent long strips of the Formica from buckling and twisting.

John Krill, North Lima, Ohio.

#### Here's a way 'o tighten a drill chuck without a key

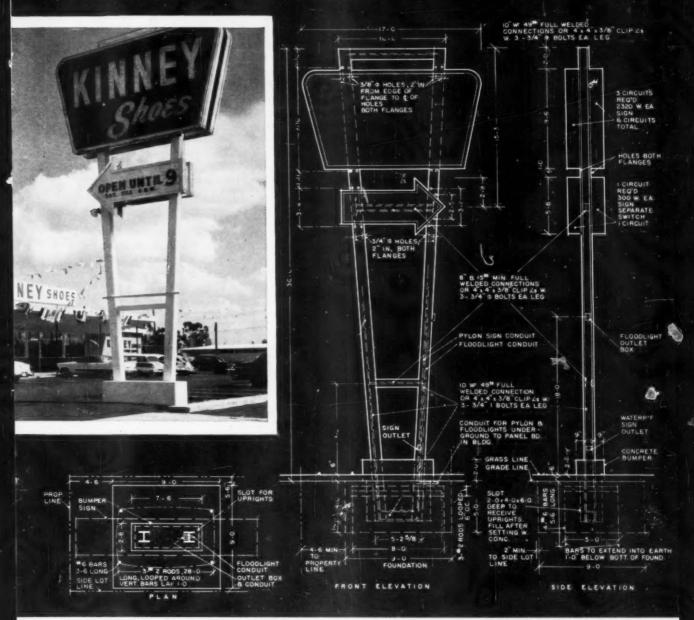


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## THE MONTH Ahead

#### **ANSWERS TO 221**

One of the most difficult programs for the builder to understand has been rehabilitation and relocation housing, better known as Section 221. This is particularly unfortunate, since the potential of 221 is enormous. It covers price ranges from \$9,000 to \$35,000, and carries FHA-insured loans up to 100 per cent.

Happily, a booklet has 'een written on 221, and in plai lish. It covers all aspects of the program, points out possible pitfalls, and tells how a 221 program is set up and run. The book is available from the publishers, the Metropolitan Association of General Improvement Contractors, 1522 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington 6, D.C. Price is \$1.00 a copy.

#### SMALL HOMES COUNCIL

The 15th annual Short Course in Residential Construction, presented by the University of Illinois Small Homes Council—Research Council, will be held on the University's campus January 14 and 15. There is no better source of ideas and information on the latest in building. The course immediately precedes the NAHB Convention, which opens January 17.

For more information, write to the Council at Mumford House, Urbana, Illinois.

#### FROM ALL OF US . . .

. . . ON AMERICAN BUILDER, a very merry Christmas, and a happy, prosperous New Year.

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#### New light on an old question

If you read the earth-moving buying guide in this month's Land Planning department, you may be interested in still another item on excavation equipment. It concerns that perennially thorny question, when is a builder big enough to buy his own heavy earthmoving equipment. And it will give you something to chew on this winter as you plan your spring budget.

The Caterpillar Tractor Co., which doesn't care who buys their machines (as long as someone does), talked with three firms: a 20-house-a-year builder who subs all his excavating, a 100-house-a-year builder who owns his own machines (two loader bulldozers), and an excavating subcontractor. When, these firms were asked, will it pay a builder to buy his own machines?

#### The vote was unanimous

Despite the different viewpoints involved, the answers were remarkably similar. The magic number seems to be 50. The big builder said that at half his present production, which would be 50 houses a year, owning his own machines would still be profitable. He thought that if the machines operated 50 per cent of the time, they were earning their keep. And he said he was presently saving 50 per cent of his earth-moving costs by doing the work himself.

The 20-house builder felt his rate was too low to justify the purchase of heavy equipment. He was better off subbing out his dirt work. But he estimated that if he reached the vicinity of 50 houses a year, he would be better off owning than subbing.

The clincher, if one is needed, comes from the excavating subcontractor himself. Naturally, he said, he prefers to see builders sub out their work. But he concedes that at the 50-house a year level a builder would probably have enough work to justify buying his own machinery.

#### What does this mean to you?

This is not a final answer, of course. Every builder's problems are different. But if you're a 50-house builder, it does mean you should take another look at the problem of owning your own machines. It might mean substantial savings.

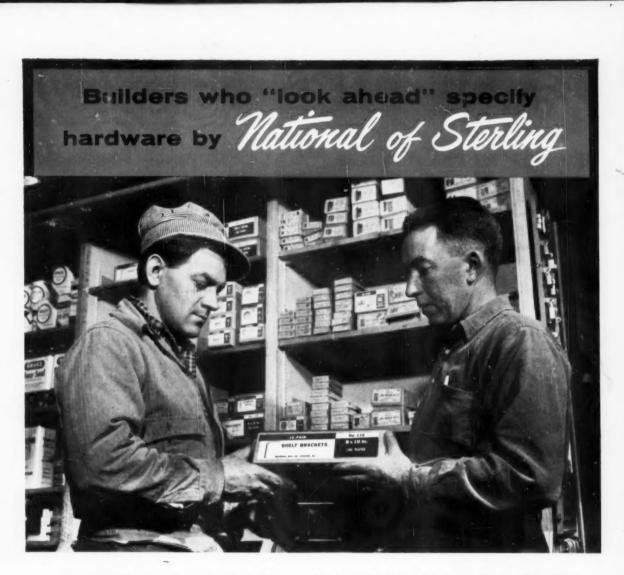
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