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What you see at the top of this page is the result of a research breakthrough in falsework for thin-shell concrete structures. Wire-supported polystyrene-foam panels are being used to form a hyperbolic paraboloid roof. The 3-in. Styrofoam panels will carry a 4-in. layer of fresh-poured concrete—with no additional supports. And they won’t be stripped after pouring—they remain in place as a vapor barrier, permanent insulation, and a base for paint or plaster.

The new forming method (detailed on the facing page) was worked out by scientists of the Dow Chemical Co. in conjunction with the Civil Engineering Dept. of Purdue University. It will spur the use of thin-shell concrete structures in the U.S. by virtue of decisive cuts in forming costs for that type construction. Potentially, thin-shell concrete has long been recognized as the most economical and esthetically pleasing way to take advantage of concrete’s natural plasticity. The hitch has been in prohibitive forming and shoring costs for the complex curved surfaces. As a result, most of the thin-shell in the U.S. today is found in cost-is-no-object projects.

Dow Chemical’s innovation promises to spur the use of thin-shell concrete in residential and light commercial construction. To you, the individual builder, this means it’s time to begin schooling yourself in brand new concrete forming techniques. And in case you’ve been slow in starting, your opportunity for lesson one appears on the opposite page.
STARTING POINT—Perimeter beams are secured to abutments, outer corners jacked into position. Lower wires are tensioned before placement of polystyrene slabs.

SCALE MODEL gives clear idea of the new forming technique. Styrofoam slabs are laid on the lower set of wires, shimmed into place with a perimeter-strip-and-wedge system (details below), and given final hyperbolic paraboloid shape by the upper set of wires. System eliminates falsework and form piecing.

SIMPLE ACCESSORIES ease forming problems. Sheetmetal “H” clips tie edges of Styrofoam slabs, while high-density Styrofoam wedge-and-strip system shims the combination form and insulating slabs into place.

CORNER DETAIL shows top wires, perimeter beams, high-density Styrofoam wedge system. Wires hold the Styrofoam slabs vertically, while wedges provide lateral pressure.

FIRST COMMERCIAL APPLICATION of new technique is at TWA’s terminal, Idlewild Airport, N.Y., Dow sees its system spurring use of thin-shell in homes, commercial construction, and institutional buildings.

SPACE MODEL expresses architectural possibilities of thin-shell concrete, and contrasts standard forming techniques with Dow’s new system. Note the familiar forest of shoring under wing at top right vs. virtually free-standing formwork at top left.
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Practical field testing is highly important, builders like Levitt, John Long of Phoenix and other successful men know. It’s safer to try out a new system well in advance, build full-size models, field test every step.

Biggest legislative news—bipartisan central mortgage bank proposal
In the legislative hopper as Congress entered the home stretch were a dozen proposals to help housing. These included no-down-payment loans, 40-year mortgages, extension of VA, a Cabinet post for housing, help for small rental projects, a billion for Fannie Mae. But most important were bills S.3541 and HR. 12216, introduced in both Senate and House, providing a brilliant, long-term solution to the nation’s mortgage credit problems. (See editorial, page 96.)

This bipartisan, industry-approved proposal for a Central Mortgage Bank Reserve facility should be backed by every building industry man. Reprints of our editorial are going out to all members of Congress and to the platform writers of both parties. For additional copies write: Editor, AMERICAN BUILDER, 30 Church Street, N.Y.
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"Builders must change soon"

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At one point you must cross that invisible line of going from a construction man to a businessman. Let me give you an example. In 57 money was getting tight; we were in recession; costs were forcing upwards; we’d had an inflationary steel settlement. I made a swing through the southwest and hardly found a builder who had planned for higher costs in the next six months!

BUILDERS find they can figure their subs—but can’t figure themselves.

Then costs went high. Financing got really tough, particularly if you had already started your operation and then went on to get money. And too many tried it that way. They all thought they were geniuses—because they were managing to operate on the thin edge of a knife.

That kind of builder won’t be successful in the time ahead.

For the young man planning to become a builder I would recommend getting a technical education plus clear understanding of accounting and economics. The technical aspects should emphasize engineering and architecture.

What can builders do about financing? Not a lot right off the bat. We need new financing approaches for the sixties. Among other things, we need a central mortgage bank.

One favorable factor: the largest corporations in America have recognized the tremendous potential for their products in the housing field, DuPont, Kaiser, Dow, Owens-Corning among others. They are developing new concepts in products and marketing, by working with builders.

Take one angle alone: these big corporations, which are beginning to appreciate the importance of mortgage problems, have people on pension fund boards. These funds have been reluctant for one reason or another to go into mortgages. But they represent the fastest growing accumulations of new funds in the economy. Their use could give a great boost to the building industry.

As for merchandising, most builders don’t do much. Of course, we’ve got to remember that our business is going through a growing-up phase. The builders who are still in business 10 years from now will be those who know how to merchandise.

Another thing: builders tend to follow the leader. The minute something catches on they all jump on it... ending the model’s freshness and novelty in the area. They don’t get around enough outside their area to see what others are doing.

Men who succeed in the time ahead will be flexible. They will be the kind who want to learn and who put what they know to work.

What’s ahead in land? We’ve got to find some way to use high-price land today. Town houses look like a good answer in some locations. I don’t see how the land problem can help but get worse. I’ve seen land in the area where I live quadruple in four or five years. Land is far and away the major problem. In a recent survey, four times as many builders said land was a bigger problem than any other.

Actually, facilities are more of a problem than the cost of the land itself. There are thirty planning agencies here in Washington, D. C. There’s plenty of land within a nine mile radius, but the trouble is that some areas won’t take septic tanks—and there are no sewers. We need some reasonable, broad tax and planning base for an area like this. For instance, metropolitan Toronto has set up a single tax and planning base for unified schools, police, etc., for the central city and some fourteen or so satellite communities.

How about rental units? Lots of builders are afraid of them, but others are finding how profitable (Continued on page 196)
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Balance of the two-bedroom, 1,200-sq.-ft. house is also steel framed, with Bethlehem structural shapes. Fabrication was by Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co.
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Dolly makes it a cinch for one man to handle large panels

"When one of our men has to move big panels of wallboard, hardboard or plywood by himself, he uses a dolly (below) that we devised for this purpose," says G. D. Lynch, Asheville, N.C. "It's surprising how well it works." The spring of sheet steel holds the dolly in position on the material being moved. Standing at the rear edge, the workman uses one hand to steady panel, the other to push it. A 2- to 4-in. caster permits easy rolling.

Custom-built dump truck saves money for this remodeler

George W. Bertch, one of South Pasadena, Calif.'s top remodelers, used to pay to have trash removed from his jobs. That was too costly, so he tried hauling the trash in a trailer behind his pickup. However, the trailer's capacity was too small to make it economical. A dump truck would have been too wide to fit in driveways, too heavy for city streets. Solution: Bertch bought a 3/4-ton Chevrolet cab and chassis. His local body works stretched the frame 3 ft., put on dual wheels, made a special 7'x11' body, put on a 4-ton hydraulic hoist. Total cost, including truck, body work, taxes, etc.: $3,500. Gross weight: 5,600 lbs.
PROBLEM—Tony Diogurdi points to troublesome dip. FHA favored filling the dip, but said they'd accept any workable remedy.

What FHA normally requires

![Diagram of dip and FHA requirements]

What FHA allowed

![Diagram of concrete swale]

SOLUTION—A concrete swale (center sketch) eliminates need to move large quantities of fill to meet FHA requirements (top).

Swaling with concrete saves $18,000

When dealing with fill, don't fight nature—join it. That advice comes from Tony Diogurdi, a partner in Hermitage Homes, builders of quality low-cost homes in the Camden, N.J., area.

Diogurdi and his partner, Harry Lubell, saved $18,000 by applying that advice to a 44-house block in their current

MACHINE UPROOTS TREE—Large bucket blade of Michigan tractor cuts the earth on either side of the tree.

CARRIES IT DOWN THE HIGHWAY—After tractor attachment cuts around the tree, it's tilted back, carried to the tract.

New Jersey builder finds tree

A year ago, when Bob Scarborough (Haddonfield, N.J.) took a franchise on this tree-transplanting machine (above and left), the big question in his mind was: "Is this a separate business, or a way to sell houses?"

He's since decided it's definitely a separate business; it requires assistance of an expert tree man who knows what
4-FT. CONCRETE SWALE runs between back yards. It's flush with the ground, doesn't interfere with use of the yards.

over cost of filling a dip

development. The block had a natural dip in it. But instead of moving in fill from another block, they elected to put in the 4-ft. concrete swale shown above. The dip now acts as a natural, permanent drain.

The local FHA office would have liked them to bring in the fill, say the builders, but was willing to go along with their plan if the concrete swale proved to be successful.

The big problem with fill, says Diogurdi, is its lack of stability. You can't accurately estimate the cost of moving it; it either fluffs or compacts, which means you can lose 20% or gain 10% in yardage. Solution: Move fill only when no workable alternate can be found.

FULL GROWN TREES dress up Scarborough's development, help boost sales. Bob retains a tree expert to insure good results.

transplanting a good adjunct to his business

tree to transplant, in what season, under what conditions.

Scarborough's recently formed Shade Tree Company now operates apart from his building operation, transplants trees for hospitals, churches, schools, etc. It also supplies his development with mature trees and will serve other home builders and commercial builders in Scarborough's area.

"It was quite a sight," says Scarborough, "to see 200 full-grown trees towering above my houses this spring. A short while ago, there was nothing there but farmland."

(The transplanting machine was invented by Edward Kluckhohn of Naperville, Ill. For further information, see AMERICAN BUILDER, January '57, pages 268-270.)
Prefab is delivered in halves, goes up in 12 man-hours

Top photo (left) shows the side-by-side method used by the Finest Manufacturing Co. of Leesburg, Fla., to deliver their two-bedroom, 680-sq.-ft. ranch homes within a 500-mile radius of Leesburg.

The house halves are 10 ft. wide and 34 ft. long. Each weighs 6 tons.

The trucks pulling the trailers are Internationals, with 126-in. wheel bases. They're equipped with dual rear wheels.

Once at the site, the completely finished halves are merely bolted together and to the foundation—which takes only 12 man-hours. The carport and screened patio are also added at the job site, extending the exterior lines of the 34 x 20-ft. models and placing 1,502 sq. ft. under roof.

Simple detail thwarts termites

Serious termite damage can result if you don't prevent it with details like these (left), says Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety. Porch rests on notched concrete foundation, which serves as a barrier to termites.

Hardboard closet walls save time

By lining his closets with hardboard, Bob Schmitt, (Beria, Ohio) eliminates hand taping of corners required with drywall. (His men could tape a whole room, using machines, in the time it took to do a closet by hand.)

21-foot mast fork lift attachment speeds erection of geodesic dome

As a part of a touring “Ford Cavalcade” that exhibited in 24 cities last spring, this plastic-covered, aluminum-framed geodesic dome (below) was assembled and dismantled quickly with aid of a tractor and extended lift that gets men, materials up where they're needed.
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REPORT FROM THE WEST

EXISTING RESIDENTIAL HOMES

PARKSIDE MANOR APTS., Tempe, Ariz., will have 99 units. Buildings are one-story with all "elderly" facilities.

Senior citizen housing aimed at profits

Tempe, Arizona, may produce one of the country's first profit-motivated elderly housing projects. Builder is William H. Shafer, well-known in the Phoenix area for his Siesta Homes subdivisions. Shafer has blueprinted the Parkside Manor Apts. (his first apartment venture), because of the area's growing need for this type of housing. He's probably the first builder in the nation to take advantage of FHA's new elderly housing program. (The old program benefited only non-profit sponsors, such as church organizations.)

The 99-unit apartment will be two miles from downtown Tempe (in a university town) and 20 min. from Phoenix. Buildings will be one-story, built around quadrangles. Special facilities will include two swimming pools, a club house, a power-ooled hobby shop, doctor's and nurse's offices. Also planned as special "elderly" appointments are ramps to the front doors, extra wide doors for wheelchairs, grab bars in baths. Units will rent from $90 to $120.

Central Mortgage Bills get industry support

 Builders, real estate men, mortgage bankers have voiced support of the new Central Mortgage Bank Bills before Congress.

Bills S3541 and HR12216 are designed to make mortgage funds more fluid by bringing in vast sums of money held by pension, trust and investment funds. With the Bills, FNMA could make short-term loans on security of mortgages insured by FHA or guaranteed by VA. FNMA could also charter and supervise federal mortgage investment companies. These companies would be allowed to sell long- or short-term debentures, backed by insured mortgages. Debentures would be attractive to the pension and retirement funds. (Ed. note: See our Electric Heat story, p. 106.)

For remodelers: the latest color hits

For a remodeling job, your new model homes or just advice to your home buyers ... here's the latest in wall colors:

- Lilac or "purple blue" and other shades of blue will continue to head color choices during 1960. Second favorites this year: beniges and greens. Third choices: off-whites and pale yellows.

Electric City, U.S.A., planned for 30,000

A 2,500-acre tract in Eastern New Jersey will be turned into an "All-Electric City" of 6,000 homes, 5,000 apartment units, schools, an industrial park, a shopping center.

Builder-developer Walter Happel has worked out his plans in cooperation with the local electric utility and General Electric. Houses, from $12,990 to $24,990, will include electric heating systems. (Ed. note: See our Electric Heat story, p. 106.)

You might be interested in AIA's "Building Products Register, 1960." Volume indexes all products into 23 categories, describes them fully with specifications, lists technical reference material on each one. Subscription: 25. AIA, 1735 New York Ave., N.W., Washington 6, D.C.
SELECTED WESTERN HOUSE

READY FOR THE ELEMENTS, this house overlooks 180° of Pacific coastline. Exterior (and interior) walls are lightweight expanded shale concrete block. Roofing is thick-butt cedar shake, left to weather. Roof construction is flush-framed, 4-in-12 pitch. Overhang of 5'-4" protects house on all sides.

Wanted: a year 'round, all-weather house for an exposed-to-the-ocean site. Also, maximum livability, minimum maintenance. Result:

Designed to a 4-ft. module...

W ind, water and an exposed location helped shape this West Coast house. It has a Frank Lloyd Wright air, with long, low lines that hug its hill site, and its exterior is tan earth colored to match its oceanside setting.

Designed for maximum weather protection and minimum maintenance, it's done entirely in 8x8x16 standard concrete blocks (from Rocklite). The enclosed area totals 2,048 sq. ft., works on a 4-ft. module throughout. Floors are exposed concrete,
...an all-concrete house

scored to the 4-ft. module and acid-stained dark red. Heating is perimeter forced air; lighting is done with flush, recessed fixtures. Natural light and air are provided by fixed glass and jalousies in 16-in. slots. Sliding glass doors open to terraces off the living room and the family room. Roof overhang protects all sides.

SLOTS 16" wide, with jalousies or fixed glass, alternate with 16" concrete blocks. Narrow counter provides kitchen eating space.

CEILINGS follow slope of roof to a constant ridge. At left, the living room. Over the bookcases, a glimpse of the family room and kitchen.

Products in this house—Western Red Cedar shingles; Johns-Manville Corp. insulation; Philippine Mahogany doors, cabinets; Formica counter-tops. Gladding McBean's Hannover ceramic tile; Emerson-Pryne fans and heat-lites.
Mount Vernon provides custom features at a nonluxury price

For $18,900, this colonial style model offers Indianapolis home buyers a combination of custom features that usually go with a much higher-priced home.

Features 5-ft. vanitory
The builder, Thomas Perine, says the Mount Vernon has a large master bedroom with an attached 5-ft. vanitory and walk-in closet. There are 2½ bathrooms; a half bath situated just off the family room diminishes traffic to the second floor. Family room is adjacent to the kitchen.

Two-car garage included
Altogether, the house contains 1,819 sq. ft. of living space. This area does not include the attached two-car garage, with 366 sq. ft. Inside storage space comes to about 788 cu. ft.

Every piece of structural lumber was treated in this frame house

Special treatment of 50,000 board feet of lumber make this South Carolina frame house a top-notch "Hidden Value" home. To prevent termite damage and decay in this high exposure area, the wood was treated with Wolman salts, forced into it at pressures up to 200 lbs. per sq. in. The preservative protects the wood for 40 to 50 years above ground, and leaves the wood odorless as well as paintable.

Cost for treating the lumber: $1,350. This comes to 2.4% of the house's selling price. Since it has 4,020 sq. ft. of floor area—much more than the average house—treatment for a typical house would probably cost only a third as much.

Paul Reneau, of Landrum, built this house. The architect was W. E. Freeman, Jr.
BEFORE

THIS OLD HOUSE in Westboro, Mass., was a community eyesore. Builder O’Neil not only restored its looks...

BEFORE

... he redid the interior completely, turning the building into an office for himself and other rentable offices.

Remodeling report: both community and builder profited from this rescue job

The ancient two-story wooden frame building above once housed a trellis factory. Over the years its delapidation progressed until finally its neighbors in Westboro, Mass., began to talk of condemnation. Then Gregory O’Neil stepped in.

The exterior was quickly re-finished in colonial style. The interior presented a bigger problem. O’Neil solved it by stripping the building down to its shell. He laid a new subfloor and a main partition to give bearing to the floor above. Luan flush doors formed the nonbearing partitions and he used U.S. Plywood’s pre-finished Weldwood panels to cover all the remaining walls.

The result: in three weeks—a suite of ten offices, including one for O’Neil Construction.

HOW TO DO IT EASIER details... for applying prefinished Weldwood panels. Include applications for panels at ceiling, base, windows, doors.

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Last year The Saturday Evening Post ran an article on Herb Richheimer — home-improvement wizard. The article ("Are You Outgrowing Your Home?") brought him a flood of response from all over America.

HOW THE POST HELPED HERB RICHHEIMER BUILD A $3,000,000 BUSINESS!

"Ever since that Post article," Mr. Richheimer tells us, "people have been coming out, writing in and calling up to have us do their home-improvement work. My business shot up from $2 million to $3 million in less than a year. And because of the Post article and the hundreds of letters I received from the Pennsylvania area, I now have a successful business running in Levittown, Pennsylvania. Maybe the Post has a special hold on home owners — all I know is that article sure brought in the orders."

Fact is, Mr. Richheimer, the Post does have a special hold on home owners... whether they're reading an advertisement or an article. Here's why:

- Post readers have the highest median income of all readers in the general-weekly field.
- Post families are Influential families — the kind who talk about what they read in the Post.
- An ad page in the Post is seen over 1 million more times by people who will expand or remodel in the next year than the same ad in the other big weekly.
- An ad page in the Post makes 20% more sales calls on the average home-owning reader than the same ad in the other big weekly.

It all adds up to this: a building-product ad in the Post reaches the same kind of people who gave Herb Richheimer his $1,000,000 boost. That's why the Post leads its field in building-products ad revenue — up 46% in the first quarter of 1960 over the same period last year. Do you want to get through to the right people — growing, building people? Try in the Post!
"Give customers more than they expect!" says builder

William Goldman, head of the Allen Construction Corp. and builder of Country & Town homes in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, has a knack for selecting key selling features, which is reflected in the success of his many home developments in the lower and medium-priced range. Spacious, bright rooms, open kitchen half-walls to other areas, and other selling ideas keep his houses moving at a fast clip in this multi-million dollar project.

ALLEN'S roomy design sells homes fast

B&D Saws help build them profitably!

On the job exclusively at the Country & Town project are Black & Decker Saws—the world's toughest! B&D is specified by leading builders and contractors on top construction jobs from coast to coast wherever it is most important to keep on schedule and keep costs in line. For better control in the wood, solid all-around performance, less downtime and more production, why don't you put B&D Saws to work on the job?

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Dick Renz says, "From the smallest home to the largest commercial building, there's a Pioneer Water Heater to adequately supply the most demanding hot water requirements. From standard 20 gallon... through 100 gallon storage capacities... galvanized or Lifetime glass lined... Pioneer gives plumbers a complete line of practically-priced, high quality water heaters." That's why more builders and plumbers are building their businesses with Pioneer.
AN AIR-CONDITIONED COURSE is featured in the new Del E. Webb shopping center in Tucson, Ariz. A 15-ft.-wide sidewalk running the entire length of the center is enclosed in glass and cooled by 60 tons of refrigeration. This enclosed walk enables stores to open wide to the walk, thus creating—for shoppers—the effect of being in one store. Next innovation in shopping centers will probably be a moving sidewalk, perhaps equipped with chairs facing the store windows.

IN SAN FRANCISCO a huge redevelopment project will include 2,200 apartments in high-rise units. Twenty acres of downtown land, now used mostly for produce warehouses, will be developed into a residential community.

Nine of the nation's largest developers have submitted bids and design proposals which are now being studied by the S. F. Redevelopment Agency.

VITAL STATISTICS are furnished members of the Home Builders of Sacramento through their monthly magazine. Every month, permit figures for the previous month and for the year are compared with current figures. Maps filed and FHA statistics are also included to keep members posted on the overall building situation.

To combat rumors that Sacramento was overbuilding, the Association, in March, made a survey among its larger builder members. It found all of them willing to reveal their "inventory" of unsold homes.

Result was that only one firm had an inventory of homes held for more than three months. And most builders were found to expect continuing good sales.

SPRING WAS IN THE AIR—a bulletin from the Tacoma BCA noted that with Spring comes the beauty of nature, which when properly used, can help to sell homes. To show members how to do it, they secured the film, "Basic Landscaping," from the NAHB Library and got a landscape architect to discuss it at a membership meeting. Good idea to file away for next winter.

CUSTOM TOUCHES: A tour of several model homes in the $30,000 to $35,000 bracket in the Los Angeles area reveals considerable agreement among builders as to what the public wants. These were principally on-your-lot custom builders in a very competitive spot.

Decorative tile, custom wall papers, beamed ceilings in the living room, "different" lighting fixtures and cabinet hardware, two-way fireplaces were found in most homes.

Three of them had a "step-down" bath previously found only in luxury homes.

MONEY FOR CHARITY: Six boys engaged in a mudball fight in a builder's new home. Apprehended by the sheriff, they faced legal action. But the builder decided that if the boys paid for the damage done, he would match the amount and donate it to the local Therapy Center. Accordingly, the Center received seven checks. And the builder, Sal & Haines, Inc., through a mice gesture, emphasized to the parents, boys, and the public that vandalism must be paid for.

SAN DIEGO ATTRACTIONS new industries. By taking definite steps to diversify and expand its industrial base, San Diego has made rapid strides in recent years.

An Industrial Development Commission comprised of industry, banking, utility and labor members was set up, by law, to study the situation and advise the city in policy and procedure. It works with the City and County Planning Commissions, and with other organizations interested in bringing industry into the area.

EXECUTIVE CHECK SHEET: Bill Garrett, builder of a model home called "The Executive" racked up a sale of 38 of these homes during a month's display. He attributes part of its success to a sheet which is handed to every visitor to the model who shows interest. Bill has listed 47 different items which are included in his model. Opposite each item is a space for the prospect to check whether or not these items are included in other model homes he visits. Chances are that many of them won't be. This is good selling—gets the buyer to examine Garrett's home and challenges him to match it elsewhere.
MORE ROOM? This house produced it in the former garage. Now the space (at left in photo) is a third bedroom and bath (see plan). McGee had to raise garage floor 9 1/2". He cut a doorway from living room to new bedroom; added plenty of storage space as well as a bath. Total cost of the job came to about $2,500.

Remodeler McGee

"It's a tough business," says Ben McGee of Sierra Madre, Calif. "You really have to like it to stay in." He's staying . . . and getting bigger.

Ben McGee is strictly a remodeling contractor. He does no other kind of building. He's also a "working" contractor—puts in about eight hours of carpentry every day. When we first met McGee he explained that he was a "small" operator and expected to stay small. Reason: there are too many headaches in trying to expand and run a dozen jobs at once. The story of his one-man operation is on these two pages.

While we were still writing this article, McGee made a big change in his operations. That story (on the next page) makes us wonder whether he'll stay "small" after all.

"You're never through"

Time was one of McGee's biggest worries as a one-man operator. "You're never through," he explained, "you work nights, days, weekends . . . with bidding on jobs, drawing plans, ordering materials, contacting subs, keeping records." But being "always busy" had its compensations. It meant a steady stream of jobs—all from referrals—no advertising needed, and a profitable business.

Another advantage in a small, personal business: most of McGee's jobs are within a five-mile radius of his Sierra Madre home. They're principally additions and alterations to create more living space, and to bring baths and kitchens up to modern standards. His "territory," like so many other fast-growing areas, has not only lots of very old homes ripe for renewal, but thousands of two- and three-bedroom homes of 1950 vintage that are already too small for their growing families. In short, they're ripe for the kind of work a "small" remodeling contractor can do.

"How much will it cost?"

In his first interview with a prospect McGee asked two vital questions: (1) exactly what does the family want done; and (2) (after some quick arithmetic) are they planning to spend approximately what McGee thinks the job will cost? If the prospect was proposing a $3,000 job and planning to spend $1,000 to do it, then the answer to question number two was "no," and McGee wasted no further time on it.

If the answer was "yes," he noted exactly what was wanted and took dimensions. On his second visit he'd bring a rough drawing of the job and a rough estimate of the cost. (A firm price had to wait on bids from the subcontractors. The second-visit figure, though, was definite enough for a go-ahead decision from his prospect. Or, it might
be used as a basis for eliminating some items to trim down the figure. One item McGee never trims down: plenty of advice. He's found that most homeowners appreciate it. For example, they'd rather be reminded that the rewiring in an old house should be made to accommodate a future air-conditioning system.

"They understand figures"

Step three started with the "Go-ahead." McGee then asked a $35 deposit for detail drawings, getting permits and securing bids from subs. Financing was rarely a problem. Local sources, he found, will usually loan 100% of the total job cost up to $5,000—providing it's a simple job and the owner's credit is good.

McGee figured his jobs (and presented them to his customers) (this way): he listed first the cost of materials, subcontracts and labor; that he added 17% for overhead and 10% for profit. Overhead, he explained, covered truck and tool maintenance, planning, time, all office expenses. "I rarely have any difficulty explaining the costs to owners," says McGee. "They understand figures." As a matter of fact, he usually closed three out of every four jobs he bid on.

"Keep the job going every day"

For a remodeling crew, McGee has himself and one carpenter. During his solo operation days, though, he had a co-operative arrangement with two other local remodelers. It allowed him to borrow a carpenter for a day (or less) when he needed extra help. And, conversely, to farm out his own assistant if he ran out of work for him for a few days. "At $30 a day," explains cost-conscious McGee, "you can't afford to have a man idle."

The remodeler's schedule usually called for two jobs going at the same time. While he and his assistant did the demolition or carpentry on one project, the concrete was being poured and subs were working on the other. This tight scheduling method (and refusal of jobs which couldn't be worked into it) allowed McGee to save on his most important material: time. And to pass a good deal of this saving along to his customers in lower bids.

Another advantage—and most important for public relations—it kept his jobs moving along every day. "Nothing antagonizes a housewife more than to leave her home in a messy condition for an unwarranted period of time," he explains. "She wants to see workmen on the job every day until it's finished."

Service like this has paid off well for Ben McGee. Almost too well for a man who wanted to keep his operation small. For the "big change" in his operations, turn the page and see what happened. McGee's "tips on the right tools" is on page 42H.
Remodeler teams up with lumber dealer.

The deal: 5% of contract amounts

Price: 5% of contract amount on all jobs. Service: estimating assistance, drawings, securing sub bids, ordering materials, handling all records and bookkeeping. This is the deal Ben McGee finally made with Griffin Lumber Co. of Sierra Madre. His main reason for the change: those “nights, days and weekends” of overtime. Another benefit: with the new system McGee will probably end up being able to handle more remodeling jobs.

The new team works it like this: McGee still makes the first call, finds out what the prospect wants. He also makes notes of dimensions, door openings, possible construction pitfalls. From there on Carl Griffin participates. A general contractor himself, Griffin goes ahead and figures the job, gets bids, draws plans. After the “go-ahead” Griffin orders the materials, notifies subs, etc. McGee still originates most of his jobs, but he now gets those remodeling projects that come into the lumber yard, too.
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JULY 1960
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REMODELER McGEE ADVISES:

The right tools: vital to keep remodeling costs down, profits up

Among the things that Ben McGee rates as “most important” in a remodeling job are the right tools.

In his lineup of regular carpenter’s tools McGee includes a Comet table saw, two Skilsaws, two Mall drills and a Porter-Cable belt sander.

Besides these, the remodeler has a few special favorites (pictured) that he uses for special jobs. The Versamatic attachment (upper left), he uses for drilling concrete. But it also doubles for tightening nuts—when used with a screwdriver bit and part that fits a quarter-inch socket wrench. Check the three other tools to see just a few of the jobs that Ben McGee gets out of them.

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“What I’ve done in Levittown can be done in any community in the nation...”

In 1939, Herbert Richheimer (above) came to the U.S. from Germany, with $27 in his pocket. Today, he runs a remodeling business that grosses millions a year and is still growing.

For example, his much-publicized Levittown, Long Island, office opened in 1956. It now grosses over $2 million a year. His newer office, serving Levittown, Pa., opened only a year ago. It’s already passed the $500,000 gross annual rate—twice the first-year volume that Richheimer had expected. (You’ll see complete details on his Pennsylvania operation on the following pages.) And Richheimer is now setting up a national-wide remodeling service that gives any qualified builder, lumber dealer, or other business man as little or as much guidance as he needs to set up a money-making remodeling operation.

Continued
Remodeling wizard Herbert Richheimer operates according to a sound business philosophy. He believes that the competent remodeler is a natural complement to the development builder. So he starts planning his modernization packages even before the development is completed.

Development builder must standardize his houses

"The primary objective of the mass development builder," says Richheimer, "is to give a family the maximum basic house at a price the family can afford to pay. Any deviation from this pattern at the time of purchase—like adding a room or changing room sizes—naturally slows the builder down and raises the price of the house.

"For example, look at Bill Levitt's Rancher, first built on Long Island, and used in the Pennsylvania and New Jersey Levittowns. It's loaded with basic housing value (its only 'unnecessary' feature is a fireplace) and it has space for a family to grow in. Moreover, Levitt sells it at a very reasonable price.

No mass-produced house can satisfy everyone

"However, no mass-produced item—especially one as personal as a home—can satisfy all the needs of the people who buy it. But if Levitt customized the Rancher, he'd lose the cost advantages of his large-scale production. At this point the re-
Richheimer will develop packages with snap-on dormers, like these

SCALE MODELS with magnetized dormers (shown with and without second-story addition and rear extension) tell Richheimer's prospects how "packages" change a house (p. 87).

before the development is finished..."

modeler enters the picture, to perform an important function entirely separate from that of the builder.

Remodeler helps development house meet individual’s needs

"He takes the basic development house and modifies it to meet the owner's requirements. A professional person, for example, may want an office added to his home—even before he moves in. The remodeler builds the office. The average buyer will have a porch, patio, or breezeway put on immediately. Then, after a year or two, he often wants an addition, or to have the roof raised for an upstairs room. The remodeler fills all these needs. And, in the great majority of cases, the owner saves a lot of money over what the original builder would have had to charge."

Richheimer started his large-scale home modernization program in Levittown, Long Island, merely because it was the biggest untapped remodeling market near him. "But," he says, "the same thing can—and should—be done in every tract-built community in the nation. And if it isn't done," he adds, "we're going to wind up with some terrible suburban slums—especially in the low-cost developments."

Richheimer cites two examples of suburban decay. One, a prefab development near Levittown, Pa., has become a dismal place, with quite a few deserted homes. Many occupants have been vic-
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The other was recently incorporated into the city of Lansing, Mich. It has no streets or gutters, and about the only remodeling that's been done is the addition of fences around some homes. "The place is a sorry sight," says Richheimer. "especially during the spring thaws.

"The only way to prevent suburban dilapidation and decay," he continues, "is to educate the entire community. You must convince people that it is often better to remodel than to move —that their neighborhood can maintain, or improve, its status with the help of competent remodelers. Furthermore, the town should be encouraged to enforce existing laws requiring owners to maintain their property.

"Here's our approach to the education problem. Through local civic associations, we sponsor fix-up and clean-up programs. As a campaign slogan, we coined the phrase, "You can have a new home at the same address.' Then, in our own sales program, we make sure the customer knows just what our remodeling involves. We use models instead of blueprints, and we don't confuse him with a lot of technical language."

Richheimer speaks on the state of the remodeling industry

Richheimer has become a recognized spokesman for the remodeling industry. He spoke on the subject at this year's NAHB convention and took part in the NAHB spring meeting on urban renewal in Washington, D.C. He's also very active in the Home Improvement Council, and was recently appointed by

OPENING DAY CROWDS at Levittown, Pa. office are "sold" with mock-ups of modernized models that show how the development will look in five years.

"We try to eliminate
BLUEPRINT BAFFLE is eliminated by models (photo, opposite page) and these full-size displays. Richheimer finds such techniques show public just what they're getting, help avoid hard feelings when job is done.

ONCE BUYER IS SOLD with models, he sees these mock-up displays of paneled rooms, roof dormers, bow picture windows, etc. The mock-ups let the buyer see, feel, touch, and even operate the products he's buying.

blueprint baffle . . .”

FHA as a member of its Property Improvement Industry Advisory Committee. Here are some of his blunt comments on remodeling:

Scores manufacturers, remodelers, buyers, and banks

"Manufacturers spend too much money educating the public to their modernization needs, and too little on training the trades to fulfill those needs. "Too often, a homeowner will see an elaborate consumer-magazine ad showing how beautiful his house can look after a certain remodeling job. But when he decides to have a similar job done, he finds no one in his area is qualified to do it.

"Furthermore, too many remodelers are poor businessmen." In my recently set up RMS (Reichheimer Modernizing Systems, Inc., located at 280 Madison Avenue, New York 16, N.Y.), only 10% of 700 applicants qualified for the franchised program. The rest lacked the necessary credit rating. Most had done only $40,000 worth of remodeling business a year—a tiny fraction of the potential markets in their areas.

"Too many buyers are bargain hunters." "Shopping by price alone, they encourage unscrupulous operators who come in with a low bid on any job, often with no intention of delivering quality results.

"Too many remodelers are chislers. "This statement speaks for itself. Shoddy operators give the whole industry a black eye.

"Banks and loan associations are missing an opportunity to upgrade the industry. "Through careful screening of loan applications, they could eliminate a lot of shady operators."
Richheimer's cost-conscious team...

One factor behind Richheimer's dramatic success is his method of pricing.

"We operate on a sensible markup," says Bob Driscoll, manager of Richheimer's Pennsylvania office. "We gross 28-32% on every job—which is probably less, incidentally, than you paid on the suit of clothes you are wearing.

"This markup takes care of our overhead (showroom, advertising, etc.) plus the salesmen's commissions (8%). And we realize a 5% net profit.

Fair profit vital to quality

"Making a fair profit is vital in the remodeling business," Richheimer chimes in. "It lets you guarantee your customer a quality job. And each quality job can bring in three more. I call this the 'radiation effect' and I rely on it heavily in my operation.

Low price invites failure

"When I was an independent builder and remodeler on Long Island," Driscoll concluded, "I used to let a customer browbeat me down hoping the low price would carry me over. But all it did was carry me under."

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After financing approval, job is checked by cost department. Job superintendent prepares on-site material list.

Total cost (excluding commission) is checked against price.

Job number is then assigned, logged in job book.

Plans are drawn; architect applies for building permit.

Job goes on schedule board after plans, permit, come in.

Carpenter gets job plans and carbon of material list.

Job super checks job progress, quality of workmanship.

All job orders are written. Carbons are filed.

Driver records material taken to or from storeroom.

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Close and effective job control...

“...Close and effective job control...

When we opened the Pennsylvania office, we had no way of keeping track of our work,” says Bob Driscoll, manager of that office. “We never really knew whether a job was done correctly once a verbal order was given. Since then, we’ve devised a set of forms that cover every phase of our operation. And, as stated on the book in the center of the photo (below), ‘Verbal Orders Don’t Go.’ Everything is written, and carbons are kept for checking.”

... comes from comprehensive forms
BEFORE—Typical 1,000-sq.-ft. ranch built by Levitt in 1954. It sold for $10,000. It boasted two bedrooms, had a sliding wall permitting den to convert to third bedroom. Fireplace separates dining and living areas.

AFTER—2nd story addition is built on top of 1-story ranch house (see drawings below). Addition includes: two bedrooms; ceramic tile bath; new stairway; radiant hot-water heat. Total cost of the new work: $4,700.

Richheimer's forte: unexpandable houses

Not even the "unexpandable" house (one-story on a small lot) offers any real technical problems to the skilled remodeler. But the remodeler does have a serious financial problem. "The trouble stems from appraisals," says Richheimer. There are no fixed standards for appraisals. So, unless an area has experienced extensive modernization operations—like Levitt-town, L.I.—an owner cannot be sure when he puts $4,000 or $5,000 into his house that the final appraised value of the house will reflect that expenditure. So he often chooses to move rather than risk a heavy financial loss. This contributes to the decay of the neighborhood, and encourages other people to move out.

"And, to make matters worse, the appraiser often doesn't seem to know the cost of adding rooms and floors to a house."

The six-year-old house shown above sold originally for $10,000. Modernization work cost $4,700. But the appraised value is now only $13,250 in spite of owner's greatly increased living space.
TRANFORMATION of this basement bathroom is dramatic. But it's typical of what remodeling can do with the nation's more than 7,000,000 antiquated baths. (Photos: Bill Engdahl, Hedrich-Blessing.)

BATHROOM IDEAS: twenty-eight ways to plan an efficient

If a house is more than 10 years old, there's a good chance that the kitchen and bathroom are its most old-fashioned rooms. If the house is 20 years old, chances are these rooms are the ones owners want most to be remodeled. Proof of this is that 20% of all the improvements made in 1960 will take the form of adding a bathroom or modernizing one.

With nearly 7,200,000 bathroom remodeling jobs available to those who want the business, this can mean a lot of profit in remodeling bathrooms alone. The problem is to plan an efficient bath to fit a minimum space. At the right are 28 ways to do it—ideas from "Modern Bathroom Plans." Copies are 10 cents each. Write: Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Information Bureau, 35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago 1, Ill.
From Attic to Basement: 54 Remodeling Ideas for Big Profits

By WILLIAM KOELLING

Remodeling is big business. For example, it's estimated that there are nearly 20 million houses in this country that are over 40 years old. Another 27 million houses are over 30 years old. Over 35 million are at least 20 years old. These figures represent a lot of houses that have a lot of living left in them—if they are updated. The Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Information Bureau estimates that 21% of the present dwellings have no private toilets and 24% have no bathing facilities.

The modernization potential for 1960, they say, shows an estimated 7,200,000 bathrooms, 6,000,000 kitchens and 3,000,000 home laundries. But many houses less than 20 years old are also in the market for remodeling. Even new houses sometimes require it (see p. 79). In most remodelable houses, the desire for more space is paramount. Additions may be the answer, but often the space is already there—unused or misused. There are millions of would-be bargain basements and acres of attics ready to yield extra living space. They can mean extra business for you.

bathroom to fit into that minimum space
STORAGE IDEAS: eight ways to build

Kitchen storage today means planning cabinets with a place for everything

When a woman goes through a model home, she's a critical buyer. And well-planned storage in that crucial room, the kitchen, will influence her every time (see June AMERICAN BUILDER, p. 96). The kitchen shown above is Armstrong Cork Company's answer to the kitchen storage problem. Notice bins with lift-lid compartments, also pan and tray storage.

How to build in hallway storage

This 6"-deep sliding door cabinet can store a month's supply of canned and packaged goods. Use 1x6 lumber. Fit 1" shelves (flush at back; inset 1" at front to allow for doors). Predrill nail holes. Attach shelves with 8d nails. Attach wooden or aluminum sliding door track top and bottom. Cut sliding doors of ¼" Duron perforated hardboard. Overlap doors 1½", fasten with angle irons, long screws.
storage for halls, kitchens, closets, baths

How to build a sliding vegetable bin

Drawers like this install easily in existing cabinets. Use 1/2" plywood for ends of drawer. Use 3/16" perforated hardboard for front, back, and bottom of drawer. Sliding hardware assures that drawers will open easily.

How to build a pot and pan rack

This kitchen display storage rack is easy to build. Miter corners of the frame. Then nail 3/16" spacer to inside of frame. Screw 1/4" perforated hardboard to spacers. Allow space behind the board to insert hooks.

How to build a sliding door closet

Check room corner and floor for misalignment. Build frame from 1x2s, adjusting for any irregularity. Nail top and shelf cleats to wall studs. Cut shelf of 4" plywood. Make door track as shown. Stiffen doors with handles.

How to build in storage between studs

By using space between wall studs, you gain extra storage without sacrificing floor area. This space is especially useful for canned foods, books, magazines, etc. Here, two studs have been cut, requiring suggested 4x4 header.

How to hide a bathroom radiator

Cover-up for a bathroom radiator serves as cabinets. Allow 3" clearance above radiator, 2" elsewhere. Fasten cleats to studs with nails. Build frame and cabinet as shown. Door panels are Duron perforated hardboard set in frame.

How to build stairway storage

Here's a unique way of gaining additional storage space under a stairway. These panels shown above, pull out to reveal hidden slide compartments that hold everything from overshoes and umbrellas to golf bags.
BASEMENT IDEAS: four smart

A wall of cabinets transforms a basement

Before, basement was a dreary catchall. After (see photo, right), area is a livable room. Notice Masonite Presdwood soffits as a screen for fluorescent lights. Cabinets (detail below left) have sliding doors of Peg-Board, countertops of Marlite. Walls are Panelgroove.

Handy drop-down table saves floor space

This drop-down table folds out of the way when not in use. Placed as it is in this basement plan (opposite page, top left) it is planned as part of a sewing center. Cabinet wall is to right of table. Table is made of hardboard overlays and a lumber leg designed to represent a clown's face. Wooden ears, held by long screws, hold table against wall. Table top is surfaced with plastic-coated hardboard. (See drawing for drop-down table at left.)
ways to remodel an old basement

BEFORE

Cabinet storage above the laundry area

Laundry area was a shambles of pipes, conduit, and unsightly joists and studs (see photo, right). New wall treatment and the row of useful cabinets transformed the area. Cabinets are made of 1x2" frame covered with 1/4" tempered Preswood. Sliding doors are of Masonite Peg-Board.

AFTER

How to build a laundry chute

Funnel-shaped laundry chute serves as a ventilated hamper until wooden door opens to release contents directly on the sorting table. Table top is white Marlite. Sides of chute are perforated hardboard. (Construction details are at right. Note also, details for lighting.)
How to add bedrooms, study, or family room to that standard plan

The basic floor plan of this house is a rather typical one-level unit with good circulation throughout. But like most houses, its future is not limited to its present size.

It can easily be expanded with additions. In Figure 1 there is a suggestion for a new master bedroom which works well with the terrace. In Figure 2 you will see another suggestion for a master bedroom and 3 shows a third idea. Figure 4 shows the addition of a home office or mother-in-law room; 5 a family room.
DOORS – LIGHTING: nine ways to remodel

Four ways to modernize doors

The old panel door may have led a hard life, but these remodeling ideas from U.S. Gypsum Company's “Popular Home” show you how it can be saved. In Figure 1 you'll find a way to turn an old panel door into a flush door with the use of hardboard. Figure 2 is an idea using expanded metal, plastic panels, or perforated hardboard in place of the old panels. Figure 3 shows you how to transform a paneled door into an interior Dutch door. Figure 4 shows an idea using louvered panels.

How to remodel with light: five ideas

Here are five ideas to remodel with. Figure 1 shows a luminous ceiling good for windowless rooms, entries, kitchens, baths. Figure 2 shows a lighted valance for living and bedrooms. Figures 3a and 3b show ideas for a lighted cornice. In Figures 4a and 4b you'll see ideas for a ribbon of light (counter and ceiling) that can also be used to light a passageway or define a room area. Figure 5a and 5b each illustrate one idea for a lighting cove—one for a corner, one over a cabinet.
To Congress and the platform writers of the Democratic and Republican parties:

A Message on

The unhappy position of housing in politics today

Not since FHA was founded 26 years ago has there been such a need and opportunity for a giant step forward in housing. Our population is expanding, our economy booming, our youngsters and our oldsters seeking better homes in unprecedented numbers. Yet housing is caught in the middle of a political debate involving inflation, monetary controls, fixed interest rates and other problems that can and should be resolved.

This 82-year-old publication has fought for many sound building causes, including the establishment of FHA. We believe now is the time for a united move to secure sound, long-range housing legislation. The major objective should be an improved Central Mortgage Reserve facility to stabilize home financing and encourage increased long-term investment — particularly by pension and retirement funds.

Why builders do not want inflation or handouts

Builders do not want inflation, or handouts, or giveaways. A sound national monetary approach to home-building finance makes none of these necessary. Bills S3541 and HR12216 now before Congress point the way to better housing by establishing a Central Mortgage Reserve facility.

The unfair and destructive effect of "tight money"

The history of housing shows many periods when "tight money" has pinched the lifeblood of building. The results have always been painful—not only to builders, but to workers, to the public, and to the economy. The cause is a piling up of financing and credit demands in an expanding era. The unfortunate and unfair result is a drying up in the supply of long-term mortgage money for home building. Homes are the first to suffer—and low-cost houses the worst hit.

The cost of "tight money" in lost homes and jobs

When mortgage funds for homes dry up, builders lay off workers, stop buying lumber, cement, appliances. In several recent years the nation has "lost" from 200,000 to 300,000 houses this way. It will do so in 1960, and again in 1961—unless Congress takes action.

In terms of jobs, this means millions of man hours lost in factories, forests, and local communities. And the sharp peaks and valleys of production caused by a money shortage are costly to builders, who must plan far ahead. They increase the cost of houses—an added burden.

The evils of high discounts and second mortgages

A particularly evil result of "tight money" and of uneconomic fixed interest rates is the paying of discounts to obtain mortgage loans. Builders are caught in a trap. To get a loan they must pay from 2 or 3 per cent up to as much as 10 per cent of the face amount of the mortgage. On a $15,000 house the discount cost may run from $500 to $1,000—an unconscionable and usurious addition to the cost of the house.

Another widespread practice resulting from
our present ineffective money system is the skyrocketing use of second mortgages. These are
costly to the buyer, dangerous to the builder, and a threat to the economy if a depression occurs.

Our statistical confusion – how define housing need?

The building industry is woefully lacking in statistics, and to complicate matters, the Census
is now revising our long-standing series on starts to include farm and seasonal housing. But however defined, the need for better homes in this country today far exceeds present production.

Our goal should be 2,000,000 units a year. We need to take care of a population “explosion” of
34 million in the sixties. We need to replace 250,000 houses demolished each year by highway construction, fire and other causes. We need to start replacing some of our 30 million obsolete dwellings over 40 years old. We should pay special attention to lower-priced housing, which has suffered most from recent monetary policies. And we need more housing for the elderly.

The changing pattern of U.S. saving and buying

Vast sums of money are held today by pension, trust, and investment funds. In fact, the character of U.S. savings has altered radically, with a sharp effect on housing finance. People save less, buy more on down payments. To build more houses,
the industry must attract new sources of money—especially the large union and corporate pension funds. An effective Central Mortgage Reserve facility would make such a flow of new funds to home financing feasible and desirable.

What a Central Mortgage Reserve would do for housing

A system such as outlined in bills S3541 and HR12216 would stabilize and expand the mortgage credit structure. It would bring in vast sums of pension and trust-fund investments, and make mortgage investments generally more fluid. The bill is nonpartisan and has the support of builders, mortgage bankers, real estate men. Its principles were approved by HHFA. It permits the Federal National Mortgage Association to sell its securities at a new ratio of 15 times its capital, and to make loans on the security of FHA and VA loans. It also sets up a system of private, federally chartered mortgage investment firms supervised by FNMA. These little “Fannie Mays” would be authorized to sell long- or short-term debentures, backed by insured mortgages. Such debentures would be attractive to pension funds and other investment capital.

Opportunity greatest since the founding of FHA

As this editorial is written (June 10th), it is felt Congress may not have time to act on a long-term measure of this importance. The values will hold just as strong next year. Another measure (Title III of HR12153) would also create a secondary market for conventional mortgages within the Federal Home Loan Bank system. This too should be enacted into law promptly.

These measures, backed by a vigorous national policy of leadership, could make America truly the best housed nation in the world. We recommend such a program to the Congress and to the platform writers of both parties.

JOSEPH B. MASON, EDITOR,
AMERICAN BUILDER
$34,375 MODEL is Schwartz-Yedor's best selling home. Rugged stone veneer and projecting eaves give the home a massive, ground-hugging appearance. 2,200 sq. ft. of living space is neatly divided according to function.

COMPLETELY APPLIANCED kitchen

They dare their clients

OVERSIZED GARAGE, covered entry add to rambling effect. House is air conditioned, beautifully paneled within.
A custom-built version of this month's Blueprint House would cost about $45,000. But high-volume building and buying techniques let builders Alan Schwartz and Tom Yedor (Beverly Hills, Calif.) offer this home at a base price of $34,375.

This cost contrast between an owner-built and builder-built house is played up in Schwartz-Yedor's promotional material. Prospects are asked to compare S-Y's package price with estimated costs—including architect's fee, land, construction, appliances, air conditioning, other extras—that any owner-builder could expect to incur. Then, by stressing their advantages in design and building talent, as well as the economies inherent in any well-integrated building firm, S-Y shows that their price can't be beaten.

S-Y sees its operation filling a neat niche on the building scene. As Tom Yedor puts it, "Normally, a family seeking a home can make one of three choices—buy an older home or a new tract-built model (both unacceptable to prestige-conscious people), or build a custom-designed home—the most pleasant choice, but usually too expensive. We offer a fourth possibility: a builder-built, "custom" home in a prime residential area."
Updated Colonial fireplace is focal point for cedar-paneled living room. The fireplace wall does double duty as a divider between the living and dining rooms.

Geared for easy living—indoors and out

Building in three separate subdivisions, S-Y offers four basic floor plans, a total of 22 elevations.

Over-all sales in 1959 were roughly 100 units. And an additional hundred are slated for 1960. The secret behind this high custom-home output? The builders sub everything but the carpentry. Doing their own carpentry yields control in the framing stages, gives quality control over extensive cabinetry and paneling during final phases of job.

Extremely flexible back patio can easily be turned into a swimming pool, garden, or outdoor dining area. Doors in rear wall of covered entry and garage provide easy front-of-house access. Food may be served through sliding glass dining-room doors or side door of kitchen. Note air conditioning intake in garage wall.
BEAUTIFULLY DETAILED entry takes advantage of color and texture of natural materials to achieve custom look.

A custom-built feeling in every room

In aiming their product at a well-informed market, S-Y couldn't afford to stint on quality materials. Their list of top-name manufacturers (see bottom of page) includes many of the leading firms in the materials and appliance fields.

This concentration on quality bears out the theme of Schwartz-Yedor's entire operation: that a capable building firm can always do better by their client than the client could ever hope to do through his own efforts.

Quality products used in this month's Blueprint House

- Western Red Cedar shakes, shingles, siding, paneling, cabinets
- Douglas fir sheathing
- Redwood siding
- Soule Steel Co. casement and double-hung windows
- Libbey-Owens-Ford glass
- Masonite Corp. hollow core slab
- Lockwood Mfg. Co. hardware
- Huber Co.'s Malice vinyl asbestos floor tile
- Owens-Corning Fiberglas insulation
- U.S. Gypsum Co. Foilback gypsum board
- Gladding-McBean & Co. ceramic tile
- Formica Corp. countertops
- Pioneer Mfg. Co. hot water heater
- Carrier Corp. heating and air conditioning
- The Feldman Co. electrical fixtures
- Universal-Rundle Corp. plumbing fixtures
- Emerson-Pyne Co. ventilating fans
- NuTone, Inc. fan-light combinations
- Waste King Corp. dishwasher and disposer
- Westinghouse washer and dryer
- Frigidaire refrigerator
- O'Keefe and Merritt Co. range and oven
- Char-Glo barbecue
- Schonck-William Step Saver Intermom

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For estimating take-off, see p. 190
ELECTRIC HEAT:
These systems play a new role in home heating

- They include electric radiant ceilings and wall panels
- They include electric baseboards and storage systems
- They include electric heat pumps and direct units

More builders who install electric heat are including it in new homes as original equipment. This was brought out by an AMERICAN BUILDER Research Department survey of 121 electric utilities. The utilities were asked what percentage of electrically heated homes were provided with the heating equipment during construction. The answer—nearly 70% of them.

Saves money
A big factor in this trend, say industry spokes-

men, is that installing the equipment during construction saves the cost of installing furnace or boiler, fuel tanks, radiators, ducts, pipes, fittings, and the usual chimney. Added to this is the fact that utilities frequently will offer reduced rates for electrically heated homes in an effort to balance heavy summer cooling loads.

Cost savings and utility desires to increase winter loads offer several opportunities to the builder. One enterprising Thornton, Ind., builder, Toepfer Construction Co., marked up $500 per house construction savings on a $24,000 ranch subdivision (see AMERICAN BUILDER, January 1960, p. 59). This saving, along with a 13/4¢ a kilowatt hour rate offered by the local utility, permitted Toepfer to merchandise electric heating as only slightly more expensive than other types—but cleaner, more comfortable, and more maintenance free.

Utilities offer inducements
The electric utilities offer the builder other inducements. These include defraying the cost of extra power entrance facilities, providing technical consultation and promotional aids, and a pro-

BASEBOARD HEATING—Trim, attractive baseboard sections provide long spreads of radiant heating for maximum comfort. Perimeter layout delivers heat to "cold wall" areas. Systems such as Berko's (above) consist of conductive glass, ceramic corner supporting blocks, aluminum reflector, buss-bar assemblies, and steel side channels. Power comes to terminating edges of glass element through two spring-loaded carbon contact buss bars.
Workman installs Electrend system takes FORCED-AIR HEATING studs. Counterflow system takes advantage of nature by reheating and recirculating warm air that rises to ceiling. Only four screws secure unit to wall.

gram of mass market advertising designed to create consumer demand for the heat.

Serves commercial building

C. F. Kriser, general sales manager of the Edwin heater other radiant heaters—Surface-mounted proves ideal for laundry, bathroom, ticket offices, other small rooms. No recessing is required for simple installation. These heaters usually supplement existing heating systems.

L. Wiegand Co., in a Coal Age article, stated that: "The commercial market is an essentially unexplored and unpromoted" area for electric heat. "But it is a market that is growing." This market includes stores, business offices, apartment houses, etc.

RADIANT CEILINGS—Workmen atop stilts fasten cables to ceiling in parallel patterns. These are covered with plaster or drywall. Method makes ceiling a radiant panel that sends infra-red rays down over the room.

RADIANT HEATERS—Surfaced-mounted heater proves ideal for laundry, bathroom, ticket offices, other small rooms. No recessing is required for simple installation. These heaters usually supplement existing heating systems.

Inner frame consists of two buss bars with multiple carbon contacts fastened to stainless steel springs that provide electrical contact. Generally, frame is steel, has built-in heat deflector. Controls can be built in, too.
INSERT HEATER—This compact heater (Fasco) is ideal for bathrooms where wall space is limited. Elements reach high temperature quickly.

CEILING UNIT—Compact glass electric radiant heating unit is mildly fan-forced. Convection heat that normally would stack at the ceiling is gently circulated throughout the room. Installation is simple, due to finishing frame that is spring-hinge mounted. Unit provides quick heat for small rooms.

ELECTRIC HEAT: it offers the

schools, motels, and other forms of light building. A wide variety of heating systems are available to the builder. Included are electric radiant ceilings, electric radiant wall panels, electric baseboards, heat pumps, electric storage systems, and direct electric units of different designs and purposes. Such systems have long been familiar to the remodeler faced with installing heat in structures. Package-cost advantages of the heat claimed by utilities is that electric heat delivers 100 btu of

CONTROLS—An important feature in selling electric heat in homes is that electric-heat wall thermostats permit heat control in each room. Controls like this G.E. room thermostat serve all types of electric-heat systems.

HEAT PUMPS—This is a “climate machine” that pumps heat into a house in winter, and pumps heat out during summer. It uses the scientific principle that there is enough “natural” heat in outdoor air, even in zero
builder a variety of easy installations

heat for every btu of energy bought; it also is fully automatic; it offers room-by-room temperature control; it cuts construction costs; it is completely safe, clean and healthful; and it requires little maintenance. Installation, too, is fast.

weather, to heat every room in the world. The pump extracts heat from outdoor air, concentrates it, and moves it indoors. To cool a house, heat pumps like this York unit take indoor heat, concentrate it, and force it outside.
A few glass "patch-up" units give effective sound conditioning

Cellular glass acoustical units from Pittsburgh Corning sit 1/4" out from surface, giving each "Geocoustic" tile a resonant chamber quality. Cafeteria (above, right) is effectively sound-conditioned by patching, which eliminates full-flush ceiling and wall installations. Blocks measure 13 1/2" x 13 1/2" x 2 1/2", come in white or cement-block gray. Can be spray-painted any color. (Y1, p. 129.)

Ceiling panels can be installed or removed quickly

Use of mechanically hung ceilings on commercial jobs gets a shot in the arm with these new panels. Expanded plastic modules from General Foam Plastics fit easily on grid-type ceilings (above, left). Units are 1" thick and can fit 2'x2' or 2'x4' grids. (Y2, p. 129.) Plastic-surfaced hardboard panels (Marlite) are grooved on four sides, fit runners suspended from ceiling (above, right). Y3, p. 129.)
and ideas are creating a new look

Redwood gives this board-on-board ceiling a custom look

An interesting variation from the standard V-joint of roof planking is this board-on-board redwood ceiling. It is saw-textured and finished in natural tones. Tongue-and-groove roof planks actually form the ceiling, and boards are nailed over the conventional V-joints. Exposed beams enhance this handsome, rugged-looking construction. From California Redwood Assn. (Y4, p. 129.)

Tongue-and-groove tile goes on any existing surface

A new, three-step operation developed by Armstrong Cork puts acoustical tile on any existing surface, without using furring strips. Small dabs of adhesive are brushed on back of each standard tile, one dab in center and one in each corner. Unit is pushed right against ceiling. Firm pressure spreads adhesive evenly. Staples hold tile until cement sets. (Y5, p. 129.)
Clapboard siding moves indoors as vertical siding

Red cedar siding applied vertically in den, study, or playroom produces this interesting effect. Installation tends to diffuse light and sound in room. Wall is prepared by putting nailing strips across stud faces and building up top and bottom plates. Siding goes up quickly and easily. If construction is horizontal, no stud preparation is needed. Western Red Cedar Lumber Assn. (Y6, p. 129.)

Vinyl goes up quickly

Natural fibers are bonded into this quick-to-go-up vinyl wall covering. Material has inner layer of foil which acts as vapor barrier, is more rigid than paper. Polyplastex, Inc. (Y7, p. 129.)

Glass blocks sculpture a wall

Sculptured glass “modules” and 4”x12” glass blocks (both from Pittsburgh Corning) combine to achieve this unusual effect. “Modules” are designed for curtain walls, other expanses. (Y8, p. 129.)
are getting a new lease on life

Acoustical and hardboard materials make walls practical

Acoustical tile and hardboard can improve basements, or family and playrooms. Barretone tongue-and-groove tile staples onto paper-covered, grid-patterned furring strips (above, left), acts as efficient noise deadener. (Y9, p. 129.) Hardboard from Weyerhaeuser goes up in combinations of smooth and perforated surfaces (above, right). Tools hang on punched surface. (Y10, p. 129.)

How to panel a wall with stock doors

A solid, luxurious look is achieved inexpensively by using pine doors as paneling. For rooms of standard height, existing wall surface is prepared by laying up vertical strips. Cross strips are applied at height of bottom paneling. Lower section is made of door components which rest solidly on floor. Upper paneling is series of whole doors. Ponderosa Pine Woodwork. (Y11, p. 129.)
Building up wallboard by on-the-job lamination is the key to this time-saving studless partitioning method

Low-cost installation is main advantage of Bestwall Hummer “B” system for studless partitioning. Steps are simple; laminating compound is spread on ribs (above, left). After face layer is up (above, right), screws draw edges of board flush, prevent joint beading, ridging and hold boards firmly while glue sets, assuring perfect contact of lamination. (Y12, p. 129.)
you can do with non-load-bearing walls

Speeds installation

Upper-wall system cuts installation time by fitting 2'x6' panels into special moldings and dividers. The plastic-surfaced hardboard comes in grains, colors. Marsh Wall Products. (Y13, p. 129.)

Makes attractive divider

Interior walls and partitions are simple to make using framed panels of Acrylite. Material is lightweight and shatter-resistant. Patterns are natural fibers in plastic. (Y14, p. 129.)

For corridor walls

Double-solid partition method (United States Gypsum) is designed for corridor walls. Panels fit into L- or U-shaped runners. Partitions need no bracing, can contain plumbing. (Y15, p. 129.)

Partitions are movable

Movable partitions from Simpson fit together easily. Closeup (above, right) shows finish molding, which permits glass installation on panel tops. Surface is birch, mahogany. (Y16, p. 129.)
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Quality Model Home Contest

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1 Awards: six top winners, 30 Award of Merit winners will be named as builders of best Quality Model Homes.

2 Special Prize: $1,000 will go to builder doing the best job of merchandising his Hidden Value Products. Award is for advertising and promoting winner's Quality House and Products.

3 Publicity: winners will be announced and publicized in Dec. '60 and Feb. '61 issues of AMERICAN BUILDER. Formal presentation of AMERICAN BUILDER Award certificates will be made at our annual Award Evening in Chicago, during the January '61 NAHB Convention.

4 Publicity: a complete press kit concerning the Award will be mailed to the home-town newspapers of each winner. (Contest judging will be held Oct. 13th; kits will be mailed by Dec. 1st, to coincide with announcement of prize winners in our December issue.) Press kit will include a press release, photos of winning builder, of his Quality Home, of its floor plan, of winner's AMERICAN BUILDER Award.

5 Publicity: winners will be photographed receiving awards in Chicago. Newspapers will receive this photo and a press release.

How to enter your house

1 Entries must be model homes built in 1960 and open to the public for at least one week.

2 Include with each entry: (1) a list of at least 10 Top Quality Products used. (Quality Products are those adding most value and salability to house); (2) a full set of working drawings; (3) at least one exterior photo of the completed house; (4) at least two interior photos; (5) a photo of the builder; (6) samples showing how your house and its Quality Products are merchandised; (7) a completely filled-out Entry Sheet;

(8) additional photos, construction details, sales brochures, etc., will be welcomed. Entry Sheets and Reprints of this Contest announcement may be obtained by writing to Contest Editor, AMERICAN BUILDER, 30 Church St., New York 7, N.Y.

3 Houses should be entered (and will be judged) in one of three price categories: (1) under $15,000; (2) $15,000 to $25,000; (3) $25,000 to $40,000. All prices exclude land.

4 Contest entries need not be mounted. Should be no larger than 24x36".

5 All entries must be received by Oct. 1, 1960. They should be mailed, prepaid, to Contest Editor, AMERICAN BUILDER, 30 Church St., New York 7, N.Y. They will remain the property of AMERICAN BUILDER for at least six months, after which they will be returned upon the request of the builder.

6 A builder wishing to enter more than one house may do so. But each house must be clearly marked and entered separately.

How your house will be judged

- On the merchandising and use of Quality Products (including Hidden Values).
- On quality of exterior and interior design.
- On quality of floor plan.
- From each of the three price categories mentioned above, two top winners and ten Award of Merit winners will be named. Total winners, including Hidden Value winner: 37.
- By a panel of seven top-level experts in the building field. Judges will include builders, housing experts, NAHB officials, architects, and the Editor of AMERICAN BUILDER.

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ADD DEPTH to a room by highlighting one end of it with special finish. Here it's Pomona's Sculptured "Sphere" Tile. The three-dimensional tile outlines fireplace wall. Pomona Tile Mfg. Co. (No. Y18, p. 129.)

ADD STORAGE SPACE easily with Simpson's Seven-Eleven ceiling-height doors. Louvered models not only save framing time and costs, they allow better air flow through house. Simpson Logging Co. (No. Y19, p. 129.)
NEW PRODUCTS

Products to make remodeling easier, continued

FOR THE BATHROOM:

ADD DOUBLE SAFETY with two recessed grab-bar, soap-dish combinations. Top unit for showering, bottom for bath. Place out of shower’s line of fire. In chrome, satin chrome, brass. Miami-Carey. (No. Y20, p. 129.)

ADD VISIBILITY with this new vanity medicine cabinet. Four-foot sliding doors are mirrored, have hinged wings for three-way viewing. Cabinet has steel frames or frameless mirrors. F. H. Lawson. (No. Y21, p. 129.)

ADD COLOR to update an older bathroom. Mosaic’s Medley is a random mix of several colors, now comes in 4¾x4¾” wall tile. Tiles are mounted, 12 to a sheet, on Swift-Way backing. Mosaic Tile Co. (No. Y22, p. 129.)

FOR THE KITCHEN:

ADD COOKABILITY with Frigidaire’s new free-standing 40” electric range. Oven doors glide up; cooking surface pulls out. (No. Y23, p. 129.)

ADD CONVENIENCE for storage and use, with Kitchen Maid’s new pantry unit. Has 49 cu. ft. of storage, 84x24x84”. (No. Y24, p. 129.)

ADD SPACE with new RCA Whirlpool gas refrigerator (right). Thin-wall, “no-frost” line takes up less kitchen space. (No. Y25, p. 129.)
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Build with color
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Strikes smooth surface
Vibrating screed produces uniform consolidation of concrete, strikes off smooth surface. Is particularly useful with low slump mixes, concreting floors and walks. Assembly consists of vibrating unit and pair of end dollies. Power supplied by air-cooled gasoline engine.—Masinis Power Tool Co.

Circle No. Y30 on reply card, p. 129

Have walnut finish
Continental line of kitchen cabinets features rich Sanduran walnut finish and handsomely framed doors and drawers. Cabinets are priced competitively, available on national distributorship basis.—Yorktowne Kitchens, Colonial Products Co.

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Circle No. Y33 on reply card, p. 129

Highlights model home
Room and equipment display signs emphasize heating and cooling in a model home. Cards are sales aids, can be placed throughout house. Four two-color hardboard displays tell benefits of “conditioned living.” Equipment cards point up heating-cooling system.—Janitrol Heating & Air Conditioning

Circle No. Y34 on reply card, p. 129

Has quiet operation
New garbage disposer features sound shield. Units are cushion-mounted aiding in quiet operation. Strong metal flywheel, shredding ring, impeller give swift grinding action. Keyhole-type mounting assembly is simple to lift, turn, install beneath sink.—General Electric

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Has anti-splash rim
Lavatory is molded of rugged vitreous china, has step-front design and anti-splash rim. Features 5½" counters on either side. The 21" x 21" lavatory offers pop-up waste and aerator, concealed-front over-flow drain. Comes in white and six colors.—Universal-Rundle Corp.

Circle No. Y36 on reply card, p. 129

Hinge is almost hidden
Cabinet door hinge is designed to expose small portion of hinge tip, is flush with cabinet door front. Steel hinge is manufactured for ¾" lipped door, blends with any style of hardware decor. Comes in two finishes—bright chrome and old copper.—National Lock Co.

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Circle No. Y38 on reply card, p. 129

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Circle No. Y39 on reply card, p. 129

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—The Ruberoid Co.

Circle No. Y40 on reply card, p. 129
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Weyerhaeuser's specially developed repellent is a combination of water-resisting resins with a pentachlorophenolic toxic additive (to protect against stains, molds, decay-forming fungus, and termites). These active ingredients are mixed in a volatile mineral spirits vehicle which carries them evenly over the faces, edges, and ends of siding or lumber. A retention of 5 to 7 gallons of repellent per thousand feet is our specification.

Water Repellent Treatment is available in 4-Square Kiln-dried Western Red Cedar, Douglas Fir, West Coast Hemlock. It is recommended for all exterior applications except where there is actual ground contact or an unusual moisture condition.

The untreated siding illustrated above shows the results of capillary action ("wicking") of wood fibers. The illustration in the next column shows how effectively Weyerhaeuser's Water Repellent Treatment stops this action.

Water Repellent Treatment actually "raincoats" lumber and siding to give it surface protection from rain and snow that's new to lumber handling. This raincoat permits painting at any favorable time up to several months after construction has been completed.

After painting, Water Repellent Treatment prevents wicking of storm-driven rain and snow, thus eliminates one of the most common causes of paint failure. It slows down the loss or pick-up of moisture by the wood with the result that there is less cupping and swelling, reduced grain raising, less checking, and little or no water stain.

4 ways to save
Water Repellent Treatment makes immediate savings possible on paint and labor costs. In addition paint jobs last longer, and when the time does come to repaint, fewer repairs are necessary. These savings are possible because Water Repellent Treatment serves as a good paint undercoat . . . reduces brush "drag" so painting goes faster . . . makes paint spread further . . . and keeps more of the paint oils on the surface to prolong the life of the job. It makes two coats very nearly as effective as three costs.

Uses
Bevel siding and drop siding for homes, garages, barns, churches, schools, and commercial buildings. Also vertical siding in Board & Batten, WC-130, WC-134, WC-136, and WC-140 patterns. Outside trim, including fascia boards, casings, porch posts, soffit lumber, bevel sill, barge boards, pulley stile, and exterior mouldings. 2x6 Roof decking. Exposed beams made of doubled or tripled 2x6s, 2x8s, 2x10s, 2x12s. Porch and deck floors—1x4s, 5/4x4s, or 2x6s. Decorative fencing (note: use pressure treated posts wherever there is ground contact, water repellent treated lumber above ground.)

For additional information, write: Weyerhaeuser Company, Lumber and Plywood Division, Dept. 56, First National Bank Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn.
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Bevel and Vertical Siding—Roof Decking—Outside Trim

Weyerhaeuser’s Water Repellent Treatment gives wood products a “raincoat” that protects before, during, and after installation and finishing. This raincoat protects lumber products from moisture absorption, and where such conditions are prevalent it also protects against damage from stains, molds, decay-forming fungi and termites. It provides a better paint base, paint spreads farther and lasts longer.

For a quality sales story ... a quality job ... and for the savings that a quality material can bring ... use Weyerhaeuser 4-Square Water Repellent Treated wood products for siding, trim, decking, flooring, and fencing. It is available in 4-Square Kiln-dried Western Red Cedar, Douglas Fir, and West Coast Hemlock. Be sure to have your Weyerhaeuser 4-Square Lumber Dealer give you the complete story.

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It's easy to show the superiority of HYDROTHERM's HORIZONTAL boiler sections

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Prep fab closet costs less

Prefab closet unit is made of warp-free "Flakeboard." Comes knocked-down with bifold doors, shelf, and rod. Can be assembled by one man. Paint goes on phenol-impregnated paper overlay. Closet panels can be ordered plain, hardwood veneers.—West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co.

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Reduces kitchen costs

"Uni-Pak" base cabinet line for packaged kitchens reduces purchase and installation costs. Can be set in any combination. Includes 24", 36", 48" storage units plus 60" (L & R), 72" (L & R) sink units. Delivered to job site ready to install.—Youngstown Kitchen Div., American-Standard.

Circle No. Y42 on reply card, p. 129

Features two in one

New refrigerator combines two features in one unit. The 2.1-cu.-ft. freezer has separated door, is useful when only frozen foods are needed. Unit defrosts automatically, has two vegetable drawers, adjustable door shelves. Fits snugly against back walls, lines up with cabinet fronts.—General Electric.

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A nationally advertised unique symbol combined with a complete line of builder-designed furnaces. Your new home prospects will know this symbol. You will recognize the low cost installation features and their compactness.

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Stain... or Paint?

Often a new home is simply painted with no consideration given to staining. Experienced builders find it pays to know the advantages and limitations of each... the effect, performance, and cost on wood surfaces inside and outside the home. Cabot's Stains, for example, answered all requirements for the home shown at the right. Here's why more and more builders are specifying...
Span a hundred feet or more with lightweight beams in almost any shape your imagination suggests. Or enclose an entire building in just a few hours with insulated panels that serve as subfloor, walls and roof. These are only a few of the construction feats possible with Hines Plywood Components.

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**Bags are extra tough**

Multiwall paper bags are designed to resist rough handling, aid packaging of cement, plaster, many aggregates. Have built-in stretching qualities. Packaged products show less deterioration, moistening, hardening, or lumping. Allowance for waste is minimized. Comes in two weights.—Clupak, Inc.

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**Hardware goes provincial**

Kitchen cabinet hardware is styled in “Period” and “Provincial” designs. Line consists of a pull with 3” centers, 1”- and 1 1/2”-diameter matching knobs. Includes semi-concealed hinges for 3/4” inset lip doors and 3/4” flush doors. Available in four finishes.—Amerock Corp.

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Eye level cooktop controls built into the hood are a General Electric "first." They eliminate reaching over hot pots, are easy to see, easy to use and can't be reached by young children. Hood has exhaust fan and floodlight. Custom double oven and hood shown in Coppertone.

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Circle No. Y50 on reply card, p. 129

**Body is 89 in. long**

Service-utility truck body is 89" long, has unobstructed interior width of 48½". Construction has heavy-duty corrugated steel floors, full-length drip moldings, enclosed wheel housings. Optional equipment includes overhead rack with adjustable ladder, telescopic steel roof, side-mounted brackets.—International Harvester.

Circle No. Y53 on reply card, p. 129

**Fittings steel-welded**

Line of "Husky" steel-welded fittings for plumbing installations has been expanded to include 1", 1½", 1¼", sizes. Units are made from A-106 Grade B material, meet A.S.T.M. A234 specifications. Line includes concentric-style reducers, 45° and 90° elbows, others.—Nibco Inc.

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**Strip mounts easily**

Three-wire "Electrostrip" mounts easily on any surface, can locate receptacles anywhere. Is ideal for new building or remodeling. Strip will accept two- and three-prong plugs. Construction is extruded polyvinyl chloride, is rated at 20 amps, 125 volts AC.—Bulldog Electric Products.

Circle No. Y54 on reply card, p. 129

**Sheet is bendable**

Asbestos-cement structural sheet, "Kamwall," can be bent as small as 18" in diameter. Fireproof sheet is nailed within ½" of edge, can be cut with ordinary handsaw. Can be used for partitions, soffits, floor bases. Comes in ¾", ½", ¼" thicknesses, standard 4'x8' panels.—Keasbey & Mattison Co.

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**Lightens dark areas**

Luminous ceiling has fluid quality, illuminates otherwise dark areas. Ceiling is lightweight, easily installed. Has dust-shedding plastic-louvered grill work. "Modernlite" comes in 4'x4' and 4'x6' modular units, is trimmed in anodized aluminum.—Sta-Brite Fluorescent Mfg. Co.

Circle No. Y56 on reply card, p. 129

**Tile color harmonizes**

Patio tile is planned to harmonize with most interior or exterior designs. Has fadeproof, stainproof, wear-resistant qualities. Surface cleans easily. Fired-clay tile measures 6"x6", 6"x12", 12"x12" plain or bullnose. All are ½" thick. Available in Niles red, golden buff and charcoal.—Kraftile Co.

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**Masonry saw is portable**

Portable "BrikSaw" can be set up inside boiler or kiln, goes up on scaffolding, can be operated from back of truck. Has 1½-hp continuous-duty motor; dual-voltage switch gives quick conversion from 115 to 230 volts. Includes electric water pump, all-steel welded frame.—Eveready BrikSaw Co.

Circle No. Y52 on reply card, p. 129

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**Assures good impact**

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Has serpentine pattern
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Circle No. Y39 on reply card, p. 129

Cooling coil adds on
Three-ton cooling coil “adds on” to up-flow forced-air furnace. Featuring low cabinet design, unit gives little change to over-all height of installation. A-type coil projects into plenum space. Three-row coil has 3.44 sq. ft. face area.—Lennox Industries, Inc.
Circle No. Y60 on reply card, p. 129

Thermostat matches decor
T-77 line-voltage electric-heat room thermostat can be painted to match or contrast with room decor. Comes in brushed brass finish. Thermostat is built so that transfer of temperature from sensing surface to liquid, then to switching action, is not required. Maintains close control.—General Controls Co.
Circle No. Y61 on reply card, p. 129

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MASON'S TOOLS of every kind are covered in this 62-page catalog. Includes trowels, edgers, floats, darbies, groovers, rollers, crawlers, many others. Tools are well illustrated. Includes descriptions and prices.—Goldblatt Tool Co.
Circle No. Y69 on reply card, p. 129

LIGHT DESIGN and installation are shown in large, beautifully illustrated catalog. Color photos present decorative lighting ideas. Shows all types of units including pull-downs, chandeliers, clusters, pendants, others. Includes price list.—Moe Light Div., Thomas Industries, Inc.
Circle No. Y70 on reply card, p. 129

WALL PAINT in colonial "Williamsburg" hues is subject of fold out brochure. Shows 12 different paint chips. Describes wash resistance of trimming enamel. Shows how colors let down quickly and easily.—Pittsburgh Paints, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
Circle No. Y71 on reply card, p. 129

BETTER MASONRY is outlined in technical catalog. Shows advantage of waterproofing admixture. Defines its use in all masonry mixes. Citers examples of material used on jobs. Includes drawings.—The American Sta-Dri Co.
Circle No. Y72 on reply card, p. 129

AIR CONDITIONING is completely discussed in 36-page book. Chapters cover benefits of air conditioning, how systems work. Describes application of systems to design and structure of homes. Cutaways show typical systems.—Carrier Corp.
Circle No. Y73 on reply card, p. 129

STRIATED PANELS, primed siding are among subjects pictured in series of brochures. Covers board-and-batten construction, cornice soffits, garage sidewalls. Also fascia and rake boards, carport and porch ceilings. Gives specifications.—The Upson Co.
Circle No. Y74 on reply card, p. 129

POULTRY HOUSES of the pole type are diagrammed in foldout brochure. Shows two models for cold and warm climates. Drawings give construction details including dimension layout, setting poles and plates, rafter lap and bracing.—U.S. Steel Corp.
Circle No. Y75 on reply card, p. 129
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APPLICATION of high-pressure decorative laminates in a 22-page “how-to” brochure. Part One contains grades, colors, patterns, sheet sizes, costs, fabrication. Part Two presents specifications. Plenty of drawings.—Paneltye Div., St. Regis Paper Co.
Circle No. 176 on reply card, p. 129

BLAST FURNACE SLAG and its use in building shown in colorful catalog. Describes slag’s use in cement and concrete masonry units. Presents its advantages in grading and back-filling. Discusses economy of slag.—U.S. Steel Corp.
Circle No. 177 on reply card, p. 129

DECORATIVE PARTITIONING called “Acrylite” is presented in brochure. Color photos show natural fibres bonded into plastic panels. Different patterns, installations in bathrooms, kitchens, offices are shown.—Wasco Products, Inc.
Circle No. 178 on reply card, p. 129

ZINC OXIDE used in water-emulsion paint systems is completely discussed in illustrated catalog. Color photos demonstrate exterior exposure tests. Lists nonstaining qualities. Has complete application description.—The Eagle-Picher Co.
Circle No. 179 on reply card, p. 129

PORTABLE BELT CONVEYOR for building materials handling is pictured in four-page brochure. Close-up photos detail construction of hydraulic conveyor. Describes sturdiness, speed, and efficiency of machine.—Sam Mulkey Co.
Circle No. 180 on reply card, p. 129

SUMMER AIR CONDITIONING is presented in illustrated, foldout brochure. Pictures condensing units with fans, cooling coils, centrifugal blowers. Discusses weatherproofing of outdoor installations. Lists sizes, specifications, five-year protection plan.—The C. A. Olsen Mfg. Co.
Circle No. 181 on reply card, p. 129

ROLLING WINDOWS are covered in two-color folder. Diagrams feature head, jamb, mullion, fixed sill details. Cutaways show residential, commercial, industrial installations. Insert lists products qualities and specifications.—Roman Metal Products, Inc.
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LIGHT CONTROLS are excellently presented in full-color, 24-page catalog. Color photos show uses, installations. Diagrams give step-by-step mounting methods, where and how to use. Shows all control-faceplate combinations. Price list.—The Superior Electric Co.

Circle No. Y83 on reply card, p. 129

BACKHOE-LOADER called “Big Mo 500” is pictured in series of punched brochures. Shows four different models, one dimensional drawing. Quality descriptions include built-in power steering, high-traction tires, etc. Complete specification and performance graphs.—Minneapolis-Moline Co.

Circle No. Y85 on reply card, p. 129

STRUCTURAL CLAY PRODUCTS for light construction covered in folder. Has photos, drawings, specifications for textured, Norman, Roman face brick. Discusses facing, patio tile. Includes sewer pipe, drain tile, flue lining.—Natco Corp.

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UNIQUE AIR HOUSE is illustrated and described. Shows uses as covering for year ‘round swimming, workers protection for winter building. Underlines $1-1.50 per square foot construction cost.—Seattle Tent and Awning Co.

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WEATHERSTRIPPING as integral part of aluminum building panels is shown in illustrated catalog. Panels are lined with pneumatic tubing, which is inflated during assembly, acts as complete weathers- seal.—Douglas Aircraft Co.

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INDUSTRIAL FINISHES are shown on card with over 60 color chips. Paint is available in lacquers, synthetics, vinyls. Types of finish include wrinkles, metallics, crackles, stains.—United Lacquer Mfg. Corp.

Circle No. Y88 on reply card, p. 129

PLYWOOD ROOF sheathing is subject of technical report. Explains tests showing that 3/4” roof sheathing is fully adequate in some applications when panels are laid, grain parallel to framing members.—Douglas Fir Plywood Assn.

Circle No. Y89 on reply card, p. 129

SLIDING GLASS DOORS are shown in full color, 12-page catalog. Details multiple sliding units, budget-price and fully insulated doors. One section covers window walls. —Ador Corp.

Circle No. Y90 on reply card, p. 129

PNEUMATIC EJECTOR sewage lift station is subject of six-page color bulletin. Highlights design features and operational characteristics of station. Discusses uses for suburban systems.—Smith & Loveless.

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LAND PLANNING

Working with small tractors

This is the second of a series of three articles designed to show the smaller builder how to operate a tractor with front-end loader and backhoe attachments. This article tells how to break and spread large piles of dirt, how to backfill, and how to load material quickly and safely. The operating techniques shown apply primarily to smaller machines; larger machine methods may differ somewhat. Final article in the series will appear in August. Data is from studies made by engineers of Industrial Tractor and Implement Division, Ford Motor Company.

3 How to break and SPREAD large piles

TOPCUTTING

Operator shovel-loads part of top off the pile and dumps into the hole while dragging some spoil backwards to form work ramp of convenient grade. This breaks pile down to size, makes operation safe.

SIDECUTTING

Start by cutting away from the pile sides. If pile sides prove too high and threaten to cave-in, use the loader to break down sides until a slot can be cut over the top, then continue cutting.

When making a sudden stop be sure to brake both wheels simultaneously. Always keep brakes in adjustment. To prevent upsets, particularly with a loaded bucket, avoid sudden starts when going uphill.

In side-hill trenching, pile the spoil uphill from the trench for easy backfilling. Be extra careful working on hillsides. Watch out for obstructions and for holes or ditches that could make tractor-loader overturn.
4 How to BACKFILL

Correct backfilling means tractor pushes the most dirt possible without losing speed due to reduced rpm or wheel slippage. If tractor slows, raise bucket; this will increase rpm and maintain tractor efficiency.

Incorrect backfilling imposes severe shock loadings on bucket cylinders and lip. Poor methods actually move no more dirt than correct ones. Having bucket in down-pressure position ups efficiency, adds to tractor life.

Leave dirt in bucket when filling ditch. Dumping on each pass wastes time used to raise arms.

Operate tractor at a right angle to the ditch. Take as big a bite as tractor can handle without lugging. Leave dirt which drifts over bucket sides for clean-up. Do not make adjustments while machine moves.

Remember these safety precautions. Do not allow anyone but the operator to ride tractor-loader. Do not attempt to repair or tighten hydraulic hoses when under pressure, when the tractor engine is running, or when lift arms are raised. Do not dismount from the tractor with the loader lift arms raised. Do not get under the loader when it is raised.

5 How to LOAD quickly and safely

Come in level. This prevents binding the bucket and straining bucket arms or machine.

Hit both valve levers at once. This distributes strain throughout the machine, adds to its life.

Correctly angling bucket when working on a pile reduces strain on the machine, assists lift.

Attacking a pile at its base with bucket straight along the bottom increases resistance to lift.

Carry the bucket low for safety. Move between work area and truck with low bucket working floor smooth. When you reach a truck, raise bucket and dump. Reduce ground speed before turning or braking.

Maximum truck loading productivity is determined by load in bucket times total cycle time. But don't lose productivity trying to get a full bucket each cycle if it means time lost backing up to hit the bank.
Transit tricks speed

This handy tool continues to prove itself worth its weight in gold; here are just three of the many jobs a transit can do for you.

VERSATILE—Workman peers through Berger transit. With it he can solve almost every building layout problem. Most builders think of a transit solely as an instrument for setting excavation stakes, batter boards, and elevations. But the instrument can be put to work on a lot of other jobs.
1. You can find grade differences with it

Finding differences in grade between several points is called leveling. To level, this workman sets David White transit about midway between two points—or stations—whose differences in grade are to be determined. After he levels the instrument, the rod is held at one of the two points. He reads the rod through the telescope where the horizontal crosshair seems to cut the gradations on the rod. Noting this reading he sends the rod man to the other station. Then, without disturbing the instrument in its position, he swings the telescope around to sight the rod and note the reading. The difference between the two readings tells how much one station is above or below the other. This method lets him estimate quantities of dirt to be removed, or establish elevations for footings to be placed at different grades.

2. You can establish vertical lines with it

For taking vertical sights—as in lining up a building wall, door frame, shafting or piers—set the instrument up in the usual way, at a convenient distance from the point from which the vertical line is to run. Level up the instrument carefully and release the locking levers that hold the telescope in the level position. Swing the telescope vertically and horizontally until the point from which the vertical line to be run is directly on the vertical crosshair. Then tighten the clamp screw on the horizontal motion and make any required fine adjustments with the tangent screw to place the point exactly on the vertical crosshair. If the telescope then is rotated with vertical motion, each point cut by the vertical crosshair is in a vertical plane with the starting point.

3. You can set offset stakes with it

Setting actual control points and running main lines is good layout practice. But on building and trench jobs, main points are destroyed almost immediately by the excavators. Therefore, it is necessary to establish reference points near enough for convenience but far enough away to remain undisturbed by job operations. Most commonly used semipermanent reference points are called “offset” stakes. Sometimes they serve only as line stakes, or only as grade stakes. But usually they serve both purposes. Ordinarily, offset stakes are a uniform distance from main line, at right angles to points in the line.
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The marvelously versatile 204 above and the many other Massey-Ferguson industrial units, such as the M-F Fork Lift below can speed construction from cornerstone to rafter with their power-matched attachments — loaders, backhoes, blades, scrapers, material buckets, block tines, and others.

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HOW TO DO IT BETTER

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**ASK THE EXPERTS**

**Removing a bearing wall for room addition**

![Diagram of bearing wall removal](image)

**Question:** How can I take a back wall out of a house and build an addition to the existing house? I want to remove the exterior bearing wall where the new room is to be added. I will have to remove about 14 ft. of this bearing wall.

_L.O., Pasadena, Md._

**Answer:** The accompanying drawing shows how your job can be done. Notice that a continuous plate is used over the 14-ft. portion of the bearing wall you want to remove.

Notice also that the continuous plate is supported with two timbers, possibly 2x12's. However, the size of this beam cannot be accurately given without the known dimensions of the rafters, etc. The size of the rafters and ceiling joists for the addition cannot be predicted either, since spans were not given. You will also have to increase the size of the supports at either end of the 14-ft. opening to hold the new beam and the plate.

Double the existing end rafters of the old roof. Nail new rafters, at ridge, through existing sheathing to existing rafters. Spacing of new rafters is same as that of existing rafters.

**Problem: condensed moisture drips like rain**

![Diagram of water condensation](image)

**Question:** A customer of ours is troubled with a serious condensation problem. The roof and ceiling is of poured concrete. There is a 3 x 3-ft. ventilator on the roof. Water literally falls from the ceiling like rain. How can we stop this condition?

_F.T.C., New Haven, Conn._

**Answer:** The reason for condensation on the underside of the concrete deck is the lack of insulation. Due to the high conductivity of concrete, the heat is lost very rapidly. Therefore, the inside surface of the concrete is cooled considerably and causes excessive condensation.

Apply a vapor seal course over the top surface of the concrete. It is extremely important that a good solid mopped vapor seal course be applied. Then apply two inches of insulation followed by application of built-up roofing.

**What covering for a flat roof deck?**

**Question:** How can a flat roof deck be covered so it can also be used for an upstairs open porch? What kind of material should be used for roofing?

_L.A.D., Palatine, Ill._

**Answer:** If the roof beams are strong enough you can put down 30-lb. felt over the sheathing and pour a 2-in. screed coat of concrete over the deck with an impregnated color pigment. Be sure to use No. 126 wire mesh or its equivalent in the concrete screed. Two other solutions are possible: You can use asphalt topping (if the heat of the sun is not too intense); or you can put down 30-lb. felt as before and cover it with asphalt or rubber tile. Be sure to use a water-proof adhesive.

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ASK THE EXPERTS

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Cure for noisy floors

Question: What is an effective and economical way to reduce sound transmission between second floor and first floor apartments?
H. F. D., Manasquan, N. J.

Answer: It is difficult to reduce sound transmission in an existing structure. However, the use of a batt or blanket type of insulation between joists would help. Another method is to lay a new floor over sleepers as shown in the sketch above.

Woodwork shrinks in dry air

Question: I am having trouble maintaining a reasonable moisture content in my warm-air-heated houses. In an average home of 1,100 sq. ft., how much water should be added to the air to maintain a reasonable humidity level?
Ramon Frost, Builder

Answer: Small-size air humidifiers have a capacity for adding about 6 gallons in 24 hours. The humidifier should be coupled with a humidistat, which maintains the desired humidity.

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How to kill smoke odor

Question: I recently had a temporary oil-fire heater explode in the basement of my ranch-type home. The damage has been repaired but I still have a bad smoke odor in the house. I have been advised to spray with lime whitewash but hesitate to do this until I am sure it will do the job. Please advise me what to do.
C.O., Wautoma, Wis.

Answer: For best results use a deodorizing Aerosol bomb either in the 2½-lb. or 5-lb. size, depending

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- Topsoil 6" Grade Exc. & Pile: 9,655 sq. ft.
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- Face Brick 4" Chimney C.B. Veneer: 45 sq. ft.
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- Fire Brick 4" F.P. Wall Lining: 25 sq. ft.
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- R.P.C. Conc. 4" Chimney Band Beam: 11 lin. ft.
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- Cement Mant. 1" Chimney Wash: 8 sq. ft.
- Vit. T.C. 12"x16"x1/2" Floor Lining: 10 lin. ft.
- 1/4" x 1/4" Steel 3/8" Roset. Rad: 76 sq. ft.
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- 2x4"x12" Fir Wall Plate: 15 lin. ft.
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July's Blueprint House

2 Bookshelves in living room...
Bookcases and cabinets are set into entrance wall of the living room. They have a shallow setback, except for the cupboard at lower right. It houses TV set, runs through to the hall behind.

3... are backed by closets
Long hallway to master bedroom is lined down one side with this storage area. Behind the doors are linen closets, all purpose storage, water heater. Note skylights.

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What's remodeling's future?
The purpose of this issue is to bring you up to date on all phases of remodeling, with the idea that you might find it profitable to enter the field yourself. We've already shown you how some highly successful remodelers are serving the market. Now the question is, will the market remain a good one for you to be in?

Let's start by taking a long-range view. Any forecast that tries to predict business conditions ten or twenty years from now will, of necessity, contain some guesswork; but while conceding this, we think it's fair to say that over the next decade remodeling should grow at least as fast as new-home building, and perhaps even faster.

These are the key reasons
Close-in land is getting scarce. In the coming decade, new residential communities must be built further and further from present urban centers. Older houses, closer in, will tend to maintain their values because of their location. And many people will resist buying new homes because they want to stay in their present neighborhoods. Both of these pressures will tend to make modernizing the older houses economically sound.

Obsolescence is a growing factor. The annual flood of new and improved products and housing ideas can make a new item old overnight. Today, a ten-year-old house can seem out of date; in 1970, a four-year-old home might be in the same fix. Few people will want a whole new home every couple of years, but modernization will let them keep up with the best of new-home features without moving.

Older-house prices will become more attractive. Trade-ins seem sure to boom the new-house market, and by the same token they will increase the supply of older homes, often lowering their prices. Buyers will often find it practical to buy such a house and remodel it, ending up with a better bargain than if they had bought a new home.

So it seems safe to say that the long-range future of remodeling looks good.

But how about the immediate future?
Surprisingly, it looks even better than the long-range picture. Here's why:

Remodeling needs first-class, legitimate builders. Today, too much modernizing is in the hands of the suede-shoe boys, and it's often overpriced and sub-standard. Builders with good local reputations have a golden opportunity here.

There's a huge remodeling market that has never been sold. Virtually every remodeling contractor who has gone out and pushed has found more business than he could handle. The remodeler who waits for referrals from his old customers may make a comfortable living, but the remodeler who goes out and rings doorbells is the one who will grow.

Today, a big portion of American families are housed below their potential standard. According to FHA, many of these families could afford as much as 50% more house on their present incomes. If you can't sell them a new home, you should be able to sell them on the idea of upgrading their present home. That 50% could cover a really big modernization job.

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