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How to profit by the record-breaking surge in new-product production

Both the number and quality of new building products are at all-time highs as the 1961 building year gets under way. More than 400 products are previewed in this issue alone—and hundreds of others had to be left out for lack of space. NAHB's big Chicago Exposition will open January 29th with a 50% increase over last year. Many new firms are in the market, and older ones have been working overtime to restyle, improve and expand their lines.

This revolutionary surge can only mean opportunity for builders, because new products are the breath of life to home sales. It also means increased competition—in effect, a faster race to produce a better house for less money.

Recession forced a change

New ideas can't be ignored or safely resisted—as last year's recession proved. It forced both manufacturers and builders to step up their acceptance of new products, methods and materials. On job after job, AMERICAN BUILDER editors found that the “one firm” in an area that had moved ahead in sales was the one that was pushing a fresh approach, a new idea, a better product, or a better value. And builders who were doing things “the same old way” were not selling.

Break consumer resistance

We believe 1961 will be an equally tough, competitive year. It will be an uphill fight for sales. We believe the new products and equipment our editors have been previewing should help break down consumer resistance. For example, look for:

- Products that give the house a unique or striking character or look, such as the new roofing and siding materials, and colors.
- Products that add to quality, strength and durability—“hidden values” such as insulation, vapor barriers, preservatives.
- Products that reduce cost, but not quality. These include larger parts, assemblies, or components that permit great savings in on-site labor.
- Products that cut maintenance and upkeep, such as a host of plastic wall and floor materials. Also many conventional materials with striking new finishes and textures.
- Products that increase comfort, convenience or better living. Air conditioning takes an important place here, with giant strides. And a dazzling array of new kitchen and bathroom built-ins must also be seen.

It's not too early to start making a selection now for early spring model homes. In other words, to start putting this record breaking production of products and ideas to work for you.

Joseph B. Mason, Editor
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Housing outlook for '61: slow start, strong second half
Most experts in housing held still to earlier prediction that starts will run ahead of 1960. Authoritative Commerce Department estimates public and private starts at 1,350,000; up 4%. But AMERICAN BUILDER found in checking 863 builders who accounted for 15,737 single units in '60—that they were expecting to build 21,700 units this year. An increase of 38%.

Big demand for low-cost shell houses
Success of shell-house builders in South and soaring sales of below-$10,000 houses in Texas points up major unsatisfied market. Texas builders are capitalizing on FHA's 2051 program in which the buyer is qualified as a subcontractor, does the painting in lieu of making a down-payment.

Obviously it's a big but still-growing market with plenty of opportunity for builders ready to adapt new cost-saving techniques. Re-evaluate your own operation. Streamline it, cut out waste. See if you can offer a house for less than $10,000.

Urban renewal: the boom is on
Late word from Urban Renewal Administration states 457 communities are actively engaged in renewal projects and another 1466 are planning them. They include cities of all sizes—for instance, federal approval was recently given to programs in Houston, Texas and Chester, Pa.—and construction expenditures will run into billions.

Check with your local government. Find out what it is planning. See if you can fit in. Or, explore the possibilities of capitalizing on a government program with your own small-scale program nearby. Best bet: Speculative buying, remodeling and sale of property near major project.

Also, contact Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Govt. Printing Office, Washington, D. C. for list of informative publications available on the subject. One of the best: (B-2) Home Improvement—Lessons from Experience. How one man developed a successful improvement business with advice on possible pitfalls.

How Kennedy will boost building
Expect fairly fast action to get the building industry—especially housing—into high gear. Kennedy specifically promised, if elected, to "place great emphasis on measures to insure a high volume of housing construction." In this policy he will be reflecting the thinking of Harvard Professors Archibald Cox, Arthur Schlesinger, and John K. Galbraith who claim that the U. S. "affluent society" must now give priority in spending to such needs as housing, schools and resources. Expected moves:

Reversal of the Eisenhower tight money policy. Lower discounts and interest rates could do much to revive private home starts.

Congressional action to establish a cabinet-level Department of Urban Affairs. It would absorb HHFA (including FHA) Home Loan Bank board, Bureau of Public Roads and other departments concerned with building, urban development, transit and city planning.

Legislation to force FHA to expand building in the low and middle income markets. In this area, of course, much can be done by executive order alone. Under strong executive leadership, it is believed housing legislation will move rapidly.

Extra emphasis on housing can be expected because the new administration will in effect be racing to see whether early action can be generated to head off possible depression.

New horizons seen in retirement housing
Retirement housing is a large and growing market that many builders are overlooking. Carl Mitnick, past president of NAHB, estimates it at 250,000 unit a year potential. Others rate it higher. A recent conference on housing the present 17,000,000 people over-65, called by the Douglas Fir Plywood Association, brought out much useful data on the market, the kind of houses "senior citizens" want,
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and the problems builders face in this field. Conferees pointed out that most post-war housing has been "child centered for young families." Needed now are more houses specifically designed for oldsters. Booklets and design data on Retirement housing are being assembled by Douglas Fir Plywood Association, 1119 A Street, Tacoma, Washington.

Take a hard look at your own market area for possible retirement housing opportunities. It's not a regional market. For instance, many northern builders have found retirees don't want to move to warmer climates. Instead they prefer to retain their lifelong associations.

Will the white house disappear?
A survey of exterior color preferences by Asbestos-Cement Association revealed the popularity of white is declining. Ten years ago 75-80% of buyers rated it first. Today only 49% prefer white. Other preferences: gray—22%, green—11%, coral—6%, followed by yellow and light brown.

FHA's Home Improvement Loans gaining
Lending institutions made an average of 5000 FHA-insured home improvement loans each banking day of 1960 according to Roy Cooke, Assistant Commissioner for FHA Property Improvement Program. For the first half of the year, he said that 500,000 families took out FHA Title I loans to repair and remodel their homes—and claims fell to a low of .78% or about 1 out of each 120 made.

These facts are only further evidence of the growing interest in residential remodeling—and the opportunity it offers builders who want to diversify into a booming market.

Easier money in sight
Aside from President Kennedy's easier money policies, favorable reports have come from other quarters. The Federal National Mortgage Association says its resale of FHA and VA mortgages in the secondary market were five times greater than in 1959—a past sign that money was easing. U. S. Savings & Loan League Director Norm Strunk estimates lending volume in 1961 will increase to $15 billion—up from 1960's $14.4 billion. And, most industry observers agree that the new Real Estate Trust Law (Public Law 86-779), which exempts investment trusts from corporate taxes if they distribute 90% of their income in dividends, will swell supply of available mortgage funds.

Start now to look for new sources of mortgage money. Shop around. Try to get a better deal than you had in 1960. Another idea: contact a tax lawyer—explore possibility for forming your own real estate investment trust—attract money from small and middle-size investors.

More basement houses planned for 1961
Latest studies of design trends indicate 70-74% of this year's houses will have basements. Two reasons were cited for this trend: 1) Increasing buyer demand and 2) Need for builders to offer more space for less money. Further proof of this trend was found in a survey of 2000 owners of slab houses on Long Island. Over 90% said their next houses would have basements.

Don't ignore demand for basements. Start planning them for your next houses. Make them a part of the living area. Put in more windows, offer direct entry to the yard. Arrange the space for future partitions and indicate them on the floors.

How many builders would pass the tape test?
Couples carrying concealed tape recorders recently visited 48 model homes in the Chicago area to record sales approaches. Mohr & Eicoff, PR firm which sponsored the project, reported these findings: "In no instance did a salesman introduce himself; in only three instances was an attempt made to get the prospect's name and address; only two attempted to qualify the couple." Typical experiences included one salesman who refused a preferred $3,000 check by insisting the downpayment was only $1,950—that was all he could accept. Another tape recorded a flat, final "yes" to the question: "Do you have schools, churches and shopping?"

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Mobile homes: another challenge to the homebuilder?

In 1960, MOBILE HOME sales amounted to nearly 10% of the total market for single family dwelling units. Between them, mobile home manufacturers and prefabricators are beginning to dominate the market for low priced housing—a fact that is creating growing concern among conventional homebuilders.

The mobile home market.—A recent marketing analysis for the Mobile Home Manufacturers Association stresses these facts:

* Some 4.2 million Americans now live in mobile homes. One hundred thousand families joined the ranks last year alone.
  * Of these, 37% are skilled workers, 20% military personnel, 10% retirees, 18% professional, 5% student, 16% semi-skilled.
  * Average income of mobile home families is $5,200—slightly over the national average. Some 40% of the families average over $7,000 a year.
  * About 3 out of 10 mobile home families pay cash for their homes. The remaining 70% finance their purchase—normally on a 5-year payment plan. Trade-ins are used in 25% of the purchases.

What do mobile homes offer the buyer?

—Today’s typical mobile home is 10’ wide, 50’ long, has two bedrooms, bath, kitchen-dinette, and living room, comes fully equipped, decorated and furnished. At an average price of $5,000, mobile homes economically meet consumer trends toward compact, non-complicated living. Like Detroit’s smaller cars, the mobile units cater to buyer desires for economy, efficiency, and minimum upkeep. At their low initial cost, they free their buyers from expensive entanglements with long term mortgages and high interest rates.

Though mobility is currently being deemphasized by manufacturers, it is ranked as highly desirable by mobile home owners. The average family moves only once in 2.2 years, and often as not, has its home hauled by a commercial mover. About 20% of the buyers stay put for more than 4 years. Mobile home owners pay no land or school taxes, and can rent trailer space in mobile home parks for $30 per month and up.

Who buys mobile homes?—The market for mobile homes is broad and varied, and in terms of potential buyers, it is the housing industry’s fastest growing. It contains both young marrieds, whose income has not yet reached its maximum; and oldsters, whose income is steady if not substantial. Both these groups hesitate to make long term commitments to fixed housing—the youngsters because they are unsettled in terms of employment, the oldsters because of lack of earning power. But by far the most important components of this market are military personnel and skilled workers whose jobs require the mobility that only mobile homes can offer.

Can homebuilders compete with mobile homes?—Many industry experts don’t think they can. Their consensus is that factory production is the logical and economical way to providing low cost housing.

In addition, mobile home manufacturers operate without the usual restrictions encountered in on-site construction. Their product is completely factory produced, they operate outside the jurisdictions of local building codes, produce a mobile product which can move to meet its market, and, to a much greater extent, are freer than conventional builders.

In a can’t-beat-em, join-’em vein however, builders with excess land on their hands can capitalize on the mobile home boom by building trailer parks (which yield 14% to 18% before taxes and depreciation.) The current deficit between mobile home units produced and spaces constructed is 600,000, and easing construction money should provide impetus for park development loans. For more on this possibility, write Mobile Home Manufacturers Association, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago 6.
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Peter Turchon answers builders' remodeling queries

December's "Buy 'em, Fix 'em, Sell 'em" remodeling article (Pg 45), has provoked a lively response from AB readers. We asked Peter Turchon to answer some of the questions our readers consistently asked.

How much profit does Homes Inc. make?

Average over the years has been 3%. However, we buy estates and properties which sometimes include large apartment buildings and commercial structures, and keep the larger properties for long-term profit. In fact, we now have over 1,500 tenants who are paying for these properties.

What about financing?

Sell the banks on the fact that the prudent, the wise, and the frugal are buying these well-built, but neglected, old properties; that you turn them over to the new owners rebuilt inside; and that the extra rent is a cushion against bad times or even the loss of a job. The best hedge against inflation is soundly located rental property; and in this period of rising real estate taxes, the owner can pass on the increases to the tenant.

Financing is one of the most important ingredients in a successful modernization business. Bankers like what Homes, Inc. does. They like the type of buyers attracted by the low monthly cost (due to the extra rent from extra apartments). They like the fact that these modernized houses can be supplied at about $1,000 a room in a market where new homes cost $5,000 per room.

Both FHA and VA have done a wonderful job of helping these frugal buyers. Any family willing to exchange the comfort of single family exclusiveness for the financial advancement of a second or third income is on the road to financial independence. As you work your business in your own neighborhood, you will find it easier to enjoy a line of bank credit to buy and remodel. Another happy by-product is neighborhood improvement. A good example of home modernization is often followed by others, and results in a whole area face lifting.

Should we wait 'til the job is complete before borrowing money?

Yes. Transformation by new baths, new kitchens, new electric fixtures, and fresh paint make a big difference in the bank's receptiveness.

Try to sell while modernizing?

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Peter Turchon
Homes, Inc.
Newton, Mass.

Beginning builder sees AB as a useful cost cutter

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Walter H. Bailey, Jr.
Laurel, Mass.

Low cost housing seen as 'natural' builder market

You are dealing with one of the most important housing matters—the lack of production in the so-called low priced ranges. I concur with your thesis that there should and can be much more work in this area, and it seems that this will come as more and more entrepreneurs recognize the basic economic opportunities offered by development of low-cost housing.

The great incentive is, in a phrase, that such housing can be profitable. Let us hope that it will increase the realization that there is a huge, relatively untouched housing market awaiting both builders and investors.

Lester P. Condon
Office of the Commissioner
Federal Housing Administration

Norman P. Mason on equal housing opportunities

It is commendable that American Builder is supplying factual information which is so necessary to meeting realistically the rapidly expanding housing requirements of thousands of minority families.

The evidences of success in this area all over the nation today are such that we no longer need statistical tabulation to prove either what the homebuilding industry is doing or that minorities are eager and enthusiastic in their quest for good housing in standard, decent neighborhoods...

In this connection, I feel certain that nothing opens the door more fully than the great urban renewal and redevelopment plans made effective by President Eisenhower in the Housing Act of 1954.

My own observations and those of others which have come to my attention attest the remarkable response of many lenders, builders and communities in America toward attaining the democratic objective of equality of opportunity in housing irrespective of race, color or creed. The broad relationships involved in carrying out the varied programs and operations of the Housing and Home Finance Agency give the Federal Agency a fine opportunity to lead. There are many ways to lead—by cooperating, by encouraging, by stimulating. It is somewhat necessary to prod but, whatever the method, it is my view that we must take positive steps toward the goal that every American family has an opportunity for a decent home, in a good neighborhood, among good citizens.

Norman P. Mason
Commissioner, HHFA

Builder cites products needed in Florida market

We find maintenance an everpresent problem. The roof, which here is a cement tile, becomes loaded with a fungus that turns the roof black over a 6 to 12-month period. We would like to see a product developed for a finish which would require no more than a hosing with water to maintain a clean and attractive surface.

Another product which would be a welcome addition in the south-eastern portion of Florida would be a floor surfacing for outside use which would be easily cleanable, nonslip, inexpensive, and attractive—one which could be installed for 15¢ to 25¢ a square foot.

Marvin Wolff
New Orleans Homes, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Plastics shape octagonal house

This mushroom-like structure—called the Chemosphere house—is more than just an unusual shape. It's a showcase for futuristic building applications of plastic compounds.

The 2,200-sq. ft. house is being built by Leonard J. Malin for himself, under sponsorship of the Chem Seal Corp., Los Angeles.

Among the more important uses of plastics in the house are:

1. As concrete column and base pad. The heavy concrete column was poured two months after the base pad. The builder used an epoxy adhesive to give a strong, moisture proof bond between column and pad.
2. As bedding for steel beams. The cantilevered steel beams supporting the house from the main concrete column were slightly at variance with the perimeter of the octagonal floor. In correcting this situation, mortar could not be used as bedding for the beams, as it would quickly be pounded to dust by ground motion—a big problem in earthquake areas of California. So the builder used a mixture of epoxy and sand. This mixture has high strength and won't disintegrate from motion.
3. As decking for the walk-on sill used in window washing (see drawings, above). Covering the walk with a rubber compound impregnated with #30 grit silica gave a nonslip, wear resistant deck that won't come loose under foot.
4. On the roof. Basic roofing material is a composition wood pulp, applied to the entire roof. All joints were immobilized with fiber glass tape. Binder for the roof and joints is an epoxy compound, reinforced with chopped fiber glass. Life expectancy is 40-50 years.

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Kwikset's new Sok-it Strike installs in seconds with Kwikset's patented staking pliers which expands the sides of the metal strike box into the jamb. Just drill a hole, position the strike, and squeeze pliers closed.

Exclusive new Kwikset Sok-it Strike installs three times faster than present strike installation methods. It is packaged individually with a handy Strike Locator and retails at $10.00. No extra charge for Sok-it Strikes when ordered with locksets.

Get your Sok-it Strike today! New from Kwikset!
What are builders’ biggest product needs?

AMERICAN BUILDER asked a group of growth builders to comment on what they thought of existing building products, what they would like to see in the way of new products over the next few years. Their free-wheeling answers (below) show how seriously builders are concerned with product development.

Products I would like to see developed during the next few years are low cost (comparable to asphalt tile) wood floor coverings for slabs; a complete built-in kitchen work center including cabinets, built-in range, oven, dishwasher and disposal at a price that would complete with assembling the individual units in the field; and a brick veneer material that would be light and durable enough to be plant-applied so as to eliminate as much field labor as possible.

The only setback to currently available products is that the prices are such as to make them unfeasible for volume housing. I think that we need lower prices from manufacturers to sell us as much house for the money as possible so as to enliven the sitting public into buying when they would just as well sit back and wait for a fire sale.

Julius Cohen, Jewel Homes, Columbus, Ohio

... There is one thing that would be of great assistance, and that is the standardization of products such as sinks, tubs, etc., among the manufacturers. For instance, if one of our model homes features a kitchen sink by a particular manufacturer, and the customer desires a color not in their line, then we must go to another. It does present a problem if the cabinets have already been ordered and the cutout for the sink made, because very few products are interchangeable in size—be they bathroom fixtures, heating units or appliances. Built-in ovens also present a problem, as do surface units, not to mention tile thicknesses....

Ruth Challand, Richmond Construction Co., Sarasota, Fla.

... Quality control seems to be a thing of the past. Even though the cost may be a little higher to produce a better product, the home buyer would be willing to pay the difference if he was properly educated. I think that if manufacturers could educate the public more on quality, people would become more aware of the need to spend just a little more to get a lot more use out of a product. Here are some areas in which I'd like to see increased manufacturer effort: improvements in paints to stop fading and mildew; hardware that will not rust, pit or tarnish; plumbing fixtures that do not chip and scratch; lighting fixtures that will hold their finish; quiet heating and air conditioning systems; a dishwasher that does not sound like a piledriver; sliding glass doors that are leakproof and air tight.

Sy Milgrom, Milgrom Construction Co., Clearwater, Fla.

... Products that would definitely help our sales effort are: some type of fast drying mixture that could be sprayed over drywall as soon as it was nailed up that would give a smooth plaster-like finish with no taping of joints or spotting of nail holes; acoustical tile that would come in 4' x 8' - 10' and 12' sheets that could be applied over 2' centers much like wallboard; a low voltage system that would be more economical to install than the present 110-volt system—one that could be used in $10-$15,000 price range.

Harry S. Roberts, Jr., Williams Lumber Company, Columbus, Ga.

... Our market is characterized by a relatively high income group who presumably can afford some of the more deluxe items of equipment in plumbing fixtures, floor material, kitchen equipment, etc. To offer such equipment would certainly increase the sales appeal of the houses. But, our experience has convinced me that few buyers in this market would be willing to pay for these items at the prevailing prices, even though these items have considerable appeal.

My major criticism of existing products does not focus on function or design, but on the price the manufacturers have placed on the items they feature in their advertising. It appears that they are stimulating a demand and then pricing themselves out of the market. This is perhaps intentional, since they promote their higher-profit line—but I am at odds with it. Manufacturers should be able to sell to the building industry more industrial engineering and production management skill in the form of prices reflecting efficiencies which should result from these skills.

Edmund J. Bennett, Bennett Const. Co., Inc., Bethesda, Maryland
KitchenAid dishwashers with "more for you"

a KitchenAid for every kitchen... every budget
look at
KitchenAid®
new convenience

VariCycle PUSH-BUTTON CONTROLS—Just push the "RINSE and HOLD" button to give partial loads a short power-rinse that removes food particles without hand-rinsing—real economy. KitchenAid holds and stores the dishes until racks are full—no worry about foods "drying on."

Press the "FULL CYCLE" button to give tableware KitchenAid's new and exclusive complete wash-dry action.

Touch the "UTILITY and UTENSIL" button and pots, pans and utility items get their own individual treatment that helps soak away burned and baked-on foods...eases those hand-harming scraping chores.

CREATE-YOUR-OWN-CYCLE—True VariCycle action! With KitchenAid dishwasher push buttons and manual Timer Control, every homemaker can select or create dishwashing cycles to fit her needs...even change it to best fit each dishwashing situation. She can advance, skip, repeat or interrupt the wash, rinse or dry action any time...even "Plate Warm." Power Reset Drive advances timer to "OFF" position immediately after short cycles—KitchenAid is always ready for the next desired cycle.

new capacity

KING-SIZE CAPACITY—The whole day's tableware for an average-size family can be handled in one washing. Convenient, front-loading racks accommodate 12 complete place settings (NEMA standards). Heavy Plastisol coating "cushions" china. Adjustable dividers in the 2-position adjustable upper rack enable variable arrangements for big pots, pans, and odd-shaped pieces.

KitchenAid® Superba VariCycle
by Hobart
(available in built-in and free-standing models)
**new washability**

DOUBLE WASH, TRIPLE RINSE—KitchenAid’s famous power-wash system, long considered the most efficient, now scrubs twice—there are two separate washes (or a power pre-rinse and single wash, if you choose) followed by three rinses... then Flo-Thru sanitized hot-air drying. The Dual Detergent Cup in the door can be filled for two washes (or just one side of the cup for power pre-rinse and single power wash). The desired amount of detergent is released automatically for each “Guided Action,” power wash.

Here is truly the finest dishwasher ever designed—just compare it, feature for feature. New economy is built into KitchenAid too—it will wash tableware for only pennies a day. Behind all the new features and conveniences of this superb KitchenAid dishwasher is the unexcelled reputation of Hobart, the dishwasher pioneer. KitchenAid is the dishwasher of “proven” quality—just ask any user.

**NEW BEAUTY**—Modern styling all around creates a new luxurious look. The attractive chrome-trimmed convenient control panel, with “in action” indicator light, across the top of the front lends an added note of distinction. Push button starting.

**WIDE CHOICE OF FINISHES**—now includes natural WOODS, satiny stainless steel, glowing copper tone, rich antique copper, gleaming white. You can even use plastic laminates to match counter tops. Special woods and colors can usually be matched locally. And Vari-Front panels are easily changed.

**PERFECT DRYING**—A Rinse Agent Dispenser automatically releases a wetting agent in the last rinse to help dry dishes spot-free—regardless of local water conditions. Dispenser need only be filled periodically. Exclusive Flo-Thru drying assures perfection.

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**KitchenAid Imperial**—Every inch feature-packed dishwashers, the Imperial series has king-size capacity for 12; pre-rinse and wash or double wash, with triple rinse; adjustable rack dividers; wide choice of finishes with Vari-Front panels. Rinse Agent Dispenser optional, Built-in; free-standing; dishwasher-sink; convertible-portable models available.

**KitchenAid Custom**—Real value for the economy-minded. This beautiful unit has the same Hobart wash arm. Dual Filter Guards and Flo-Thru drying system as the Superba and Imperial, with traditional KitchenAid quality throughout. Comes in a variety of finishes. Capacity for ten. Available in built-in and free-standing models. Rinse agent dispenser optional.

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**2 other new KitchenAid dishwasher series available in many models**

**Every new KitchenAid** dishwasher has...

“Guided Action” wash arm that scrubs, while others just spray or shower. Exclusive big, blue, lifetime wash arm extends full width of the wash chamber...has newly designed jet openings that scientifically control and balance both volume and velocity of the water for complete, effective coverage of every square inch of the wash chamber. While literally scrubbing dishes clean, it’s safe for even delicate china.

Exclusive Flo-Thru drying—A constant current of sanitized hot air flows over, under and around each item. The electrical drying element is outside the wash chamber, with the hot air fan-circulated—insuring even heat and uniform drying, with no “hot spots” to craze china, or warp or scorch good plastic-ware. Dishes don’t dry from the bottom up, a frequent cause of spotting. The evaporated moisture in a KitchenAid can’t be redeposited on the dishes—positive drying and brighter dishes every time. Money-saving feature: the KitchenAid drying element operates only during the drying cycle.

Exclusive Dual Filter Guards—Precision-engineered filters have hundreds of self-cleaning openings that trap food soil and prevent spray-back over dishes. The recirculated wash-and-rinse water is always filter-clean. Stainless steel filters are self-cleaning—simply lift out for cleaning, if ever needed.

Still more KitchenAid features: Timer Control Indicator tells what operation is being performed... also permits Manual Control and Plate Warming. Porcelain interior is self-cleaning, chosen for long life. Independent cushion coated racks. Designed for a service-free, cool operation. New, quiet, hushed-performance. Solid-unit construction principle with rigid frame and rust-proof design—assures long life.

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a KitchenAid for every kitchen... every budget
Top Loading Portable

The same famous power wash, Dual Filter Guards and Flo-Thru hot-air dry system found in built-in KitchenAid dishwashers are incorporated in this KitchenAid portable model. It washes tableware for ten or more... dishes come out clean and bright.

**Only KitchenAid has Porcelain Inside and Out.** Other features include wide guide bar for easy movability... separate Start Control... toe space all around... double-wall construction for cool, quiet operation. Even when random-loaded, the efficient power-wash pattern covers thoroughly. This KitchenAid portable is put to work the day it's delivered—connects to faucet in seconds. And, no installation expenses!

**KitchenAid® portable dishwashers portable today!** built in tomorrow

The KitchenAid convertible-portable is a front-loading portable that can be installed as a built-in later simply and conveniently. Maple cutting top, 4 square feet and 11½ inches thick, adds a luxury touch. Available in the new Imperial series, it has king-size capacity; multiple washes and rinses, and Flo-Thru hot-air drying; adjustable dividers in the 2-position upper rack; push button control panel; self-storing Fill-Drain Hose and power cord. Rinsing Agent Dispenser optional.

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**A KitchenAid for every kitchen...every budget!**

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KitchenAid Home Dishwasher Div., The Hobart Manufacturing Company, Troy, Ohio  In Canada: 175 George St, Toronto

**SEE YOUR DEALER**

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"Ervin homes are quality homes, and concealed telephone wiring is part of our quality story"

SAYS CHARLES C. ERVIN
OF ERVIN CONSTRUCTION CO., CHARLOTTE, N.C.

Ervin Construction Co., one of the largest home-building firms in the Southeast, is building close to 1000 homes this year—all of them with concealed telephone wiring.

“We've learned that concealed telephone wiring is a definite plus factor,” says Mr. Ervin. “It’s a competitive feature that homebuyers look for and appreciate. Ervin homes are quality homes, built with first-class materials, and concealed wiring is part of our quality story.”

Ervin Construction Co. furnishes its building schedule to the telephone company. “They put in the wiring when the walls are open,” says Mr. Ervin, “either by consulting with the homebuyer if the house is already sold, or by putting the outlets where their good judgment tells them.”

"Concealed telephone wiring is part of the good planning you get from Ervin," says builder Charles C. Ervin. "It makes a more livable home, nicer rooms, and adds to resale value of the house."

Ervin homes are designed for families to grow in. Each home has several planned telephone outlets.

Your Telephone Business Office will gladly help you telephone-plan your homes. For details on home telephone installations, see Sweet's Light Construction File, 11c/Be. For commercial installations, Sweet's Architectural File, 34a/Be.

BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM
Visit Booth 95 at the NAHB Convention in Chicago
—for real money-making telephone tips.
Glue-lam lumber offers

Commercial building requires a knowledge of many materials seldom used in house construction. Here's what the homebuilder should know about one such material—glue-laminated lumber.

Glue-laminated (or glue-lam) lumber is made by gluing together under high pressure a number of pieces of lumber, generally one or two inches thick, in the form of arches, columns or other structural members.

Advantages of glue-lams

Outstanding among the advantages of glued-laminated lumber are the following:

- In spans of more than 30', often encountered in nonresidential building, glue-lam beams are generally more economical than sawed timber.
- A glue-lam beam is about one-third stronger than a sawed member of equal size. This permits use of beams of smaller cross-section, without sacrificing strength. Tests show that the glued joints are stronger than the wood, and that the adhesive quality of the glue is not adversely affected by time.
- Glue laminating can produce beams that are larger in both cross-section and length than is possible in single pieces.
- Beams of varying cross-section may be built with greater sheer resistance at points where it is most desired. Typical of such beams are the peaked, the peaked and cambered, and the tapered. An example of the peaked and cambered beam is that used on the Mission Church (De Witt Church) Rivington, and Columbia Streets, New York City. It was built for the New York Mission Society. The roof of the church is made of solid planks resting on purlins. The purlins, in turn, rest on the heavy glue-lam wood beams (see photo, right).
- Laminated beams and purlins...
are manufactured by machine so that the natural grain of the wood is shown. This eliminates the expense of plastering and painting; the exposed member serves as part of the architectural treatment.

**Spans, spacing and loading**
Glued-laminated beams and purlins may be unlimited in length, providing they can be transported practically. Common spans are from 16' to 50', with a spacing range of 6' to 18'. Loads are from 30 to 55 lbs. psf. Deflection is 1/240th of span.

**Laminated arches**
Laminated arches are manufactured similarly to wood laminated beams and girders. One- or two-inch strips of wood are curved and pressure glued together, making solid and rigid members.
Arches may either be two-hinged or three-hinged. The two-hinged arch is the radial or barrel type supported only at two ends by a foundation or resting on walls or columns.
A three-hinged arch consists of two laminated units fastened at the top or ridge of the arch and at its foundation ends. They provide clear span framing for both side walls and roof. Three-hinged arches are used largely in churches, schools, libraries, auditoriums. Typical are those in Grace Church, Massapequa, L. I. (photos, top left).
From sales training—
Harmony Homes instructor stresses to new salesmen the importance of bringing prospects out to tour Harmony models—under construction as well as completed ones.

To contests—
Happy Harmony Homes salesman and his wife board plane for Hawaii. Trip is one of many prizes HMS offers salespeople who do outstanding jobs selling houses.

 Builders look for prospects

But it's people—the salespeople—plus a hard-hitting, well thought out sales program that spell continuous success for Harmony Homes builder members.

Harmony Homes Management directs its sales efforts to people who already own lots suitable for building. This is not difficult to understand. Harmony does sell directly to people who want new homes built on contract. But in the Los Angeles area there are practically no individual lots left, in acceptable neighborhoods, that sell for less than $5,000. This alone holds down direct contract sales. So Harmony directs its major sales efforts toward finding prospects who already own properties on which a house can be built. How are these prospects found? Mainly, by the method of door-to-door canvassing. Leads are also secured from realtors who have vacant lots to sell. Newspaper advertising, along with direct mail and handbills, are sales tools used at the discretion of each company manager. Attractive brochures printed by HMS are available to all companies.

Generally, promotion and sales efforts are geared to the market in a specific area. The newer companies, in smaller towns, where lot prices are not excessive in relation to house prices, sell direct contract houses best.

Unique Sales Method
Canvassing is done in carefully selected areas where zoning permits additional homes. The object of the first call is to persuade a family to make a tour with the Harmony salesman. This involves a visit to several Harmony Homes in various stages of construction. The tour gives the salesman an opportunity to show the homes and to explain how such high quality can be sold at Harmony's low prices ($5.70 psf average).

Harmony Management Service's records prove that if a salesman makes 40 calls a day he will get the following results. He will (1) find only 20 people at home; (2) find only 5 to be prospects; (3) find only 2 willing to take the tour; (4) sell one house.

Generally, the 40 calls can be made in 21/2 to 3 hrs. A more or less "canned" approach quickly determines whether the family is a
To promotions—
Harmony Management Service provides salesmen with a variety of promotional material to stimulate sales, plus a research service that constantly tries to improve methods.

Tied to these sales aids are a variety of marketing efforts that tell the Harmony House story. These range from showing model homes to producing top-notch ads.

who already own land

prospect. So, rarely more than 2 or 3 mins. are required for the first interview unless interest develops. An average tour takes 2 hrs. or more. A call-back before or after the tour averages 15 mins.

System reflects success
All salesmen must turn in reports on calls made. This data is posted on Time Point Reports as follows: (1) one call at home earns one point; (2) one contact of prospect earns three points (3) one call-back on interview earns three points; (4) taking prospect on tour earns 24 points; (5) selling the house earns 12 points.

A working salesman, HMS knows, can earn up to 100 points daily. The Time Point Report quickly tells a sales manager what the trouble is if a man is not selling.

Sales aided by research
Research among previous buyers of Harmony Homes provides salesmen with valuable information regarding their prospects. Most prospects are wage earners. According to Harmony Management Service these people crave the experience which the buying of a home fulfills. They want security and feel a need to accumulate resources. In addition, they want community recognition. These desires can be met by a new home.

Other traits are deterrents to sales. HMS finds that wage earners have a tendency to procrastinate. Also, they fear the future—loss of a job, sickness, and the like. This gives them a tendency to follow the line of least resistance.

Ralph Burns, who heads the HMS staff responsible for sales training, stresses these traits to both new and seasoned salesmen. However, he places particular emphasis on the "new" salesman.

The first day a new salesman comes to work, he goes out with a trainer on house-to-house canvassing calls. At first the trainer handles interviews. After a few days, the new man takes over.

The new man then goes out alone for a week. On the third week he returns to his trainer for review of his techniques.

The people Ralph Burns seeks as Harmony salesmen must: (1) be capable of developing enthusiasm; (2) talk well and like people; (3) make a good impression; (4) be willing to work nights and Sundays; (5) already be making, or shooting for, a minimum of $8,000 a year.

Senior salesmen receive flat commissions of $200 per house. Junior salesmen receive $130 for the first sale closed within a month, up to $200 for the eighth sale and over.

Contests spur sales
HMS stages periodic sales contests with prizes like a world cruise, to create incentive. A typical Harmony member company has five to seven salesmen. Most companies headquarter in model homes that double as offices. To create more "tour" homes, Harmony often rents a home from a buyer for 30 days after completion, to use it as a showcase for prospective home buyers.

JANUARY 1961
More General Electric Kitchens are installed

BUDGET (shown above)
The Mark 27 “drop-top” Range sets the pace for this small but sparkling kitchen. Refrigerator-Freezer (BG15T) fits flush in the corner, Washer-Dryer Combination (WD560T) and Automatic Dishwasher (SU 60T) complete the kitchen.

CUSTOM
could have a single Deluxe Oven built in one wall, matching Cooktop with exhaust hood—the built-in look every woman loves. Refrigerator-Freezer in Mix-or-Match fashion color. Automatic Dishwasher and Washer-Dryer Combination.

DELUXE
might have the double Custom Oven with a matching Cooktop. Refrigerator, Bookshelf Freezer, Dishwasher, Washer, Dryer and cabinets—all planned in Mix-or-Match fashion colors. This would be the kitchen of a woman’s dreams.

“MARK OF QUALITY
YOUR BUYERS RECOGNIZE”
by builders than any other kind because...

women love 'em!

Here's the best salesman for your homes... the most-preferred kitchen-laundry in America. Whether your homes are in the low, medium or custom price range, General Electric has the kitchen to light up a customer's eye... turn hesitation into a signature on the dotted line.

What's more, General Electric has a Custom Kitchen Design specialist who will work with you to plan, from a wide variety of exciting models, styles and colors, just exactly the perfect kitchen for your special needs.

Style, beauty, versatility, dependability... plus the prestige of the General Electric name... that's what a General Electric kitchen-laundry means to your prospects.

More than half of the women interviewed in a recent survey preferred General Electric home appliances above all other appliances.

You get more than sales appeal from a General Electric Kitchen

You get a builder bonus in every General Electric home appliance you install.

**BONUS:**

You spend less on labor and installation. General Electric's "Straight-Line" appliances make the most of your available kitchen space. They fit in easily with surrounding cabinets for an expensive built-in look.

**BONUS:**

Hard-hitting pre-sell program. You get a complete merchandising program, along with sit-up-and-take-notice advertising and publicity to bring prospects through the door of your Model Home. The more prospects... the more sales.

**BONUS:**

Product available locally. 100 General Electric distribution points in every part of the country insure you quick delivery... scheduled to your convenience. No long waits and waste of time. No early storage headaches.

**BONUS:**

No service responsibilities. Once your appliances are installed, all product service becomes the responsibility of your General Electric dealer or distributor. No appliance repair or maintenance worries for you!

For information, mail coupon to:
General Electric Co., Home Bureau,
Appliance Park, Louisville 1, Ky.

Have your local General Electric builder sales representative contact me.

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY ______________________________ STATE
More...and more women want a G-E Refrigerator

According to a recent survey, General Electric is the number one name in the home appliance field—and by a big margin. Could be the fact that General Electric makes such a broad line of refrigerators—many sizes, many prices, all with convenience-features the ladies obviously like. Could be General Electric’s dependability—6 million refrigerators in use ten years or longer. Could be you’re making sales the hard way if you’re not including a General Electric Refrigerator in your homes. Your General Electric Distributor will show you how easy it is. Call him now.

Progress Is Our Most Important Product

GENERAL ELECTRIC

Household Refrigerator Dept., Louisville 1, Ky.
General Electric's new built-in ranges for 1961

New Hoods . . . with Eye-Hi Control System, Color-Matched Panel. Now there are three General Electric hoods for '61 . . . two of them with surface unit controls that line up at eye-level with oven controls—to form a handsome, coordinated cooking center. News, too: smart-looking removable Mix-or-Match color inserts that let hood control panel blend or contrast with the rest of the unit. (Hood colors: Coppertone or Aluminum).

Shown above—the Deluxe ventilating hood with the added feature of a Sensi-Temp* dial to regulate the new 3,200-watt ultra high speed Sensi-Temp unit, of the sister surface plate. Note, too, the deluxe piano-key-type push buttons . . . the switches that control the fluorescent lamp and a powerful new fan.

New "Dinner Dial" Oven Controls. Here's a feature your customers will really go for. General Electric's exclusive new "Dinner Dial" controls on the new Custom oven line. Easiest-to-use oven controls of all, there are two sets of Dinner Dials on the double-oven models.

*Trademark of General Electric Co.
The new Sensi-Temp automatic surface unit is faster than ever for 1961!

Ready Set GLOW! General Electric's 3,200-watt Sensi-Temp surface unit brings 2 cups of water to a boil in 130 seconds! Now there's almost instant heat on the new ultra high speed Sensi-Temp unit. Here's all the heat food can use, combined with the most accurate automatic control on any range—so that high . . . or low . . . the heat holds evenly . . . with slim chances of scorching, burning, or boil-over.

The new Sensi-Temp's three-coil control allows this automatic unit to be used as a 4, 6 or 8-inch unit. No wasted heat, ever. No wasted time "pot-watching" either. Sensi-Temp's made for walk-away cooking.

Wonderful Sensi-Temp. Accurate Sensi-Temp. With the high, fast heat that proves General Electric has the range of the year!

Here's your 1961 speed story to accelerate every home-buyer's interest; a heat story to warm every homemaker's heart. Combined with the new style and control system story, General Electric cooking centers become irresistible. General Electric . . . the mark of quality your customers recognize, the mark of quality that helps sell your homes.
Great combinations in General Electric ovens, cooktops and hoods

Custom-styled or Deluxe, in glowing Mix-or-Match colors, there's a General Electric built-in range combination, a type control, to suit every customer need. And remember that this year, there are three models of exhaust-fan hoods to choose from.

Here's a sampling of models in various combinations. Notice the new features: Dinner Dials, a combination surface unit-exhaust hood unit, Eye-Hi Controls, ultra high speed Sensi-Temp, wide-opening ovens, grey oven liners in all ovens, larger tinted see-through windows, wonderful new cleanability. And, of course, such popular General Electric features as an automatic rotisserie that barbecues a 20 lb. roast, and the built-in meat thermometer which sounds a buzzer when meat is ready.

For more information, plus specifications and plans for installations shown, write: Range Department, General Electric Company, Building 2, Appliance Park, Louisville 1, Kentucky.

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1 Single Custom Oven JC12, Cooktop JP84 with remote controls on Hood.

2 Deluxe Double Oven JD34; Cooktop JP85, with remote control.
1
Single Custom oven featuring Eye-Hi Dinner Dials, with removable control knobs that make the glass-faced control panel easy to wipe clean. Chrome trim on side of doors for extra elegance. Deluxe cooktop has four Calrod® units (one is new 3,000-watt unit). Push-button controls for cooktop are mounted at Eye-Hi level on hood. Hood has incandescent lamp, quiet-running centrifugal exhaust fan, Topor rear exhaust. Integral dampers.

2
Deluxe double-oven with new, larger, see-through window, tinted to conceal oven interior when oven is not illuminated. Grey oven liner and attractive control panel. Cooktop has four Calrod® units with the remote control mounted within easy reach.

3
The low-priced oven-cooktop-hood combination in the General Electric line—but look at the eye (and buy) appeal! Single Deluxe oven. Cooktop with sink rim design and two six-inch, two eight-inch units. Hood in Coppertone or Aluminum with top exhaust and fan switch and incandescent light switch mounted at eye level. Powerful exhaust fan moves 47½ more air than last year’s model. Cabinets throughout are by General Electric.
neat, sweet and smart...
the new-idea Mark 27

Custom-built look, but so easy to install

Inspiration for decorators... that's the smart and versatile Mark 27, the compact range with high-style adaptability. Fits between or alongside cabinets, and even in island installations. The handsome, handy recessed top continues to make news; builders like its unique, easy-installation features... only one unit to install, one control to connect. Space requirements are only 27" in width, 24" in depth. Saves you space, time and labor for sure!

And, of course, the Mark 27 boasts these famous General Electric pride-and-joys: big-capacity oven, removable oven door, focused heat broiler, automatic oven timer, Minute Timer and push-button controls. A whole range of decorator Mix-or-Match colors, plus white and coppertone.

The mark of quality your customers recognize

Special all-in-one model: The Mark 27 pictured at lower right is the new all-in-one version you asked for... the easiest of all for you to install. This is the JM61, with the controls on the range itself. Just slide this range into position and connect. It's as easy as that.
Cleanability—plus

General Electric’s self-cleaning, swing-up Calrod® units now have Tilt-Lock hinges—so they’ll stay up while other parts are being cleaned. The reflector pans are removable, and a brand-new one-piece, removable trim ring can be lifted off and washed at the sink.

The removable oven door, as well as “arms-length” oven depth, make oven cleaning easy... especially easy because General Electric features a smooth oven liner... no “seams” or cracks where grease or dirt can hide. "Starlight Grey" oven liner and the tinted window conceal the interior when the oven light is off. With a lick and a promise General Electric ovens, cooktops and hoods stay beautiful as new.

All this and Partio Cart, too

Here’s one of the greatest sales promotion ideas since the patio itself. The Partio Cart™ is a complete outdoor cooking center on wheels. It’s an electric range on one side, a charcoal barbecue on the other... a serving bar on top and on both sides. There’s even a gay umbrella (optional) to top it off. Rolls easily on four rubber-tired wheels. A Partio Cart, on patio, porch or terrace of your model home, is a real attention getter!

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Range Department, General Electric Company, Building 2, Appliance Park, Louisville 1, Kentucky.
The unit is hidden behind the picture.

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See how attractive “decorator baffles” in these pictures completely conceal General Electric Built-Ins.

Designed specifically for home builders for through-the-wall installation. Inside, the General Electric Built-In can be installed high or low in the wall to blend with any décor. Outside, the neat aluminum grille enhances any style architecture.

It becomes part of the wall. The case is exactly as high as two building blocks, six courses of standard brick or five courses of jumbo brick. Case fits between a standard two-stud width.

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What a tremendous difference where space is important!

This graphically illustrates how you save almost 6" in depth regardless of where the General Electric Filter-Flo Washer is installed. As a builder you know how important this is.

Remember, too, that the new counter height and depth and 'built-in' feature make General Electric Washers ideal for kitchen or other living area installation.

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Roughing-in dimensions for flat-to-wall installation

For non-recessed wall installations. (left) This General Electric Filter-Flo Washer may be installed flush-to-wall, as illustrated above, with special Installation Kit available from General Electric distributors. The kit contains drain hose, drain air-brake and complete instructions for installation.

For recessed wall installations. (right) Recessed wall installations may be done as shown above. Here no special kit is required.

Both types of installation are easy, neat and attractive. When installed, this new General Electric Filter-Flo Washer fits between standard counters to look like a custom job. It will add "sell" appeal—and increase the value of your house.

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How to minimize heat loss in slab-on-grade construction

QUESTION: What are the objections to using slab-on-grade construction in the Northeast? I've been led to understand that owners complain about cold floors unless radiant heating is installed in the foundation system.

Can you give me some idea of proper construction and procedure for this type of floor, especially in regard to insulation? Also, how can a forced warm air heating system be adapted for use with slab-on-grade? Is it necessary to use an attic distribution system?

ANSWER: There is no real objection to using slab-on-grade where the slab is properly insulated.

The greatest amount of heat loss occurs through the edge of the slab, and it is here that insulation can really make the difference. The slab should be cut off from direct contact with the foundation and the ground by a 2” perimeter strip of rigid insulation—expanded polystyrene or cork—which also runs back under the slab for 24”. A vapor barrier should be placed over 4” to 6” of gravel fill, thus cutting off moisture penetration from the ground to the slab above.

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**ANSWER:** If you intend to use the cabin in wintertime, they should be insulated. Instead of a single layer of tongue and groove planks for your ceiling, you might consider a sandwich of batt insulation between two layers of planking, or rigid insulation fastened to the planking from below.

For some general information on insulation and insulating materials, see *American Builder*, June '60, page 166; or write to the Small Homes Council, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., for booklets F6.0 and F6.2 (1½¢ ea.). For plans of vacation cabins, write the Douglas Fir Plywood Ass'n, 1119 A Street, Tacoma 2, Wash.

**Cure for a sweating floor: nailing strips and new plywood flooring**

**QUESTION:** A customer of mine has a sunporch approximately 18' square attached to the south side of his house. The walls are regular windows on an enclosed sills 2'-6" from the floor. A hot air heat duct has been installed from the house through the box sill as the floor is one riser below the house floor. There is no cold air return.

The floor is concrete with a hard troweled finish in color and not less than 12" above grade; on the south side it is more. I assume the floor is 4" thick and poured on a gravel fill.

The problem is a sweating of this floor to the extent that it will get slimy and moldy.

Can you tell me how this condition can be corrected? It is not objectionable to raise the floor line two or three inches if insulating concrete would be the answer.

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**Where to get information on how to insulate cabins for winter use**

**QUESTION:** I am planning to build a camp on the shore of Lake Champlain. I am wondering about the question of insulation of the cabins should they be used in winter. The T&G roof boards will serve as an exposed ceiling so it is impossible to use conventional batt insulation. Can you suggest some alternatives, and sources for information on winter insulation?

**ANSWER:** If you intend to use the cabin in winter time, they should be insulated. Instead of a single layer of tongue and groove planks for your ceiling, you might consider a sandwich of batt insulation between two layers of planking, or rigid insulation fastened to the planking from below.

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36,000 go through contemporary promotion house built by San Diego Unit Masonry Association

A SHOWCASE of masonry, the San Diego Unit Masonry Association's project house features quality and livability of masonry in its brick, block, and stone construction. Designed by Robert Platt, A.I.A., and built by General Contractor J.N. Mortenson, the house encloses 2,150 sq. ft. Masonry walls are 6½' high. A postcard survey of 36,000 visitors yielded favorable comments about design, low maintenance characteristics, rugged construction.

First luxury home development since W.W.II slated in S.F.

Golden Gate Heights will be the scene of San Francisco's first luxury home development since W.W. II. Designed by Crocker Associates for "maximum indoor-outdoor living," the 26-home development will be built by Sheldon Associates. The 3-bedroom units—priced from $40,000 to $45,000—will be constructed on a "semicustom" basis. Buyers will have a voice in the design of their homes.

Alaska-bound prefabs shipped from Indiana; stop at Seattle

Alaska is a long haul from Indiana—especially so when you're hauling 41 prefab homes the 4,000 miles. Midwest Quality Homes, Carlisle, Indiana, got the job done recently. By splitting the houses along their longitudinal dimension and loading them on railroad flatcars. First stop was Seattle, where the houses were transferred to barges bound for Anchorage.

Each unit, in the $13,000 to $14,000 price range, was complete, ready to be placed on the foundation and sealed together.

Why prefab for Alaska? Prefab production techniques appeal to Alaskan builders who have a short money-making season.

Hillside subdivision costs nearly double flat-land costs

Improvement costs for hillside subdivisions can run as high as $4,000 per lot, reports Leonard Gerkin, land planner with Engineering Service Corp., Los Angeles.

In flat land, costs average $2,000 to $2,500 per lot. For hillsides, grading alone may run $1,520 per lot.

If rock is involved, costs soar to about $1,650 per lot, compared to $825 in flat land. Sewers are another costly item: about $500 per lot.

Extra cost for street improvements runs about 10% above that for flat lots. Cost of storm drain systems, which are often unnecessary on flat land, may exceed $200 a lot.

Construction course offered at Portland, Oregon, college

A 12-week course to familiarize students with methods and materials of modern construction is now being given at Multnomah College, Portland.

Class instruction includes office procedures, materials, mensuration, mathematics, structural design, specifications, methods, and time and motion study.

San Mateo gets first co-ops

Next March is the opening date for San Mateo's (Calif.) first co-operative apartments. The structure will have 36 units; full prices will range from $11,800 to $27,100. Mogens Mogenson is the architect, and Louis Ledger is the contractor for the project.

Phoenix builder breaks records

Ralph E. Staggs, president of Staggs-Bilt Homes, reports that his firm has broken his previous sales records for a single fiscal year.

In the year ending October, 1960, 1,351 houses were sold in the metropolitan Phoenix area. Staggs emphasized this is a net figure representing the exact number of escrows closed. The firm now has about 9,000 houses to its credit since it began building in Phoenix 11 years ago.

Good building sites tucked in cities, says Fritz Burns

"You don't always have to find the large tracts of land on the periphery of a city, with problems of utilities, and so forth." So said F. B. Burns, president emeritus of NAHB and prominent Southern California community developer, at a congress of the Building Contractors Association of California, Inc.

"There are many small pockets of land—three, four, or five acres—tucked in and around some of our most highly populated areas. I observed this by just driving around the little town of San Fernando. Here is a little city that in some respects is bustling at the seams, and yet, at the same time, you can find one and two acre pieces just ripe to go ahead."

Estimator's man-hour manual


The scores of man-hour tables in the manual contain thousands of easy-to-use listings. It gives a dollar and cents perspective into the costs of field labor.

URBAN RENEWAL NOTES is a six-page bi-monthly on new advances in the Urban Renewal Program, news items to keep you abreast of what other builders are doing in their communities. Available by subscription from Housing and Home Finance Agency, Urban Renewal Administration, Washington 25, D.C.
A fireplace chimney forms

Even in sunny California (in this case, Long Beach), nights can be chilly. So S&S Construction Co. has given this 4-bedroom, 4-bath three-level added buyer appeal by offering fireplaces in both living room and downstairs playroom.

The all-electric "Amherst" model, with 2,295 sq. ft. of living space and a two-car garage, is priced at $24,900 without land. Price with unlandscaped 58' x 110' lot is $35,900.

Brand-Name Products in This House—Selectile kitchen, bath tile, Frigidaire dishwasher, range, oven. Williamson kitchen cabinets. Fenestra sliding & casement windows; American-Standard plumbing; Pioneer hearing. NuTone and Stanthony ventilators.
RUSTIC MASONRY fireplace, warm wood paneling, vaulted ceiling give living room a distinctive, inviting look. Split stairway to upper and lower levels is behind fireplace.

core of this split

STAIRWAY TO UPPER and lower levels as seen from hall outside the living room. Bedrooms are upstairs. Playroom, utility and storage areas are in basement.

JANUARY 1961
This low-cost precut split-level offers a lot of space for the money

This precut split is proving to be a popular attraction in the Pittsburgh area. It offers more-than-ample living and lot space.

Precut by the builder, Edward M. Ryan, Inc., the economical "Lance" model is priced at $13,000 without land ($16,500 with lot).

Finished living area of the 3-bedroom, 11/2-bath home is 1,400 sq. ft. It is constructed on a 60' x 125' lot and has a 1-car garage. The Lance also has 127 sq. ft. of unfinished basement area.

The house is one of a projected 200 homes under construction in a suburban Pittsburgh development. It’s equipped with gas range and oven, plus wall-to-wall carpeting in living and dining rooms.

Most popular sales features of the homes proved to be the half-bath off the master bedroom, and the brick to grade on the front elevation, which mask concrete block. The builder used aluminum and brick as exterior siding materials.

Southern two-story is detailed for variety in exterior styling

This Louisville-area two-story by Bollinger-Martin, Inc. is a traditionally-styled home for an area that is steeped in tradition.

But for potential buyers who want something less imposing than the columns on the model above, the builders offer two other front elevations that hew more closely to the colonial concept.

Finished living area in the 3-bedroom, 11/2-bath "Buckingham" model is 1,384 sq. ft. Included in the purchase price of the home are 288 sq. ft. of covered patio area (at right in photo above); a 1-car garage; a washer and dryer, oven and range, dishwasher, disposer, freezer, and refrigerator.

Brick siding has proved to be the best exterior sales feature of the home; zoned, two-story living is the best interior feature.

Bollinger-Martin has priced its "Buckingham" model at $17,900 to $19,900. The builders reckon land cost at 16/2% of purchase price.
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Ralph Legeman, Evansville, Ind., with Muskegon. Alstrom Construction, Inc., Muskegon, was the general contractor, and the concrete was employed recently in NEARLY 9 MILES of refrigerating coils overlie the insulating floor slab of Permalite Lightweight Permalite insulating floor slab, the other a roof deck two interesting applications — one a Walker Sports Arena was erected in Muskegon, Michigan, one of the requirements was easy conversion from ice hockey to basketball. Over

Unusual Permalite Concrete Applications
Keep Ice Cold, Insulate Sloped Roof

Lightweight Permalite insulating concrete was employed recently in two interesting applications— one a floor slab, the other a roof deck. When the million-dollar L. C. Walker Sports Arena was erected in Muskegon, Michigan, one of the requirements was easy conversion from ice hockey to basketball. Over

a natural sand base, Permalite insulating concrete was poured to a thickness of 11 inches. The insulating concrete, a 4:1 mix, was mixed adjacent to the job and pumped to point of placement. The refrigerating coils, almost 9 miles in length, were placed above this on special supports, and embedded in lightweight-aggregate concrete, with a structural concrete topping overall for a wear surface. About 550 cubic yards of Permalite perlite-aggregate insulating concrete were required for the 86'x201' floor. Design and construction proceeded under U.S. Patent #2,761,181.

The other application—roof deck for a new building in Texas—is equally interesting and entirely different. Here Permalite-aggregate lightweight insulating concrete was selected to provide both insulation and fire-safety. The unusual feature lies in the application to a sloping roof, a technique used in many outstanding buildings but frequently overlooked in planning buildings with other than flat roof decks.

Complete information on the application and advantages of Permalite lightweight insulating concrete and plaster may be obtained by writing to Permalite, 612 So. Flower St., Los Angeles 17, Calif.

POURED IN PLACE by crane line dump bucket, Permalite lightweight insulating concrete is screeded to a thickness of 2½" over corrugations on a corrugated steel deck, to serve as a monolithic base for the built-up roof. This type of construction is exceptionally strong and easy to erect. Insulation is excellent; finished roof deck should have a “U” value in the neighborhood of .165. Note the space for expansion joint at the coping.
**Builder saves money by putting concrete blocks over marking stakes**

We've had a lot of trouble with vehicles knocking over our grade and marking stakes, says Fred Fett, Jr., Atlanta homebuilder. And repositioning the stakes eats up a lot of costly time. Fett solves this problem by putting a concrete block around each stake, as shown above. This makes the stakes more obvious. Besides, most drivers will think twice before running over a concrete block.

**Preassembled form speeds concreting on New Jersey apartment house job**

Here's an idea that's proving a big labor saver on an apartment house job in Newark, N. J. In pouring beams, the concrete men use a special form that is preassembled at the site. This form—as shown in the above drawing—has tie rods running under the concrete, instead of the usual tie wires running through it. Therefore, when the form is dropped, it comes off in one piece, and does not have to be reassembled for the next beam. Another time-saver is the 1x6 nailed to each form jack. Bottom edge of the form rests against the 1x6. Top edge of the form is secured merely by hammering a wedge between the 1x6 and the 3x4 stiffener on the form.

Superintendent on this job is Serge Karpow, working for Radice Construction Corp., White Plains, N. Y. Concrete sub—who's men are using this form—is Beach Construction Co., Paramus, N. J.
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These concrete blocks are the key to a new residential slab foundation system that eliminates wood forming. The method is said to speed house completion by 1 ½ days.

The blocks come in two shapes—trademarked "J" block (above) and "U" block (below). The "J" blocks serve as bearing and anchor for the wall and as key for a monolithic slab that must be poured to specified grade. The "U" blocks serve as anchor and bearing for walls independent of the slab.

The blocks require no basic departure from conventional methods. The builder digs the trench, pours the footing, then sets the "J" blocks into the wet concrete, with 8" sides facing inward. A gap is left, to let a skip loader in.

U-shaped blocks for garage foundations

These "U" blocks, that go into the garage foundations, are set in the same manner. In both cases, a metal form is placed on each corner.

Next step is filling. This is done with the aid of the skip loader. In the "J" block foundation, the fill goes up to the height of the inside edges of the block. After the skip loader is withdrawn, the gap in the wall is closed, and the slab is poured in the usual manner.

These blocks were invented by members of Tru-Bloc Concrete Products Co., San Diego. They are being used by homebuilders in Southern California, where a number of local building authorities have accepted them.
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TOGETHERNESS: Bestway Building Center, a lumber dealer in Pocatello, Idaho, recently provided a good example of how working together can pay off. He called a meeting of all contractor customers. In an effort to offset the sharp drop in new home business, the group decided that sales promotion of a smaller two-bedroom home had been overlooked. The dealer had some designs drawn up for this type home and provided each contractor with a portfolio with which he could present the homes to prospects.

The dealer went further by advertising these homes and helping the contractors with joint advertising. He also arranged favorable financing and even went so far as to line up lots which could be purchased on a subordinated basis. None of the contractors could have accomplished, individually, what they did with the lumber dealer's assistance. And the dealer could neither have hoped for, nor handled, the volume of business generated by the plan if he had been selling and building the homes with his own crew.

BUSINESS IS TOO GOOD!

Sounds unlikely in these times, but that is actually the problem for the Kit Construction Co., Covina, Calif. (See American Builder, Sept. 60.) These apartment specialists are doing so well that they have had to hire another superintendent this month and buy another truck. And if things keep up they will be faced with a decision between turning down business or going in for a major expansion. All this is happening to Kit at a time when the Apartment Association of Los Angeles is depleting the large number of unrented apartments.

Some of Kit's biggest advantages in the field are the attractiveness of their low-rise apartment buildings, the quality construction they're putting into them, and the complete financing know-how with which they are selling them. They had, at this writing, sold 15 apartment buildings—in a four-month period and were keeping their original effort as a sales model.

SEATTLE RISES TO THE OCCASION: In spite of the homebuilding doldrums and pessimistic talk among builders, the HBA of Seattle, in co-operation with the Seattle Real Estate Board and the Seattle Times, put on a sparkling National Home Week Show. It included a proclamation by the Mayor, a large advertising section in the Sunday Times, and about 40 homes open in various parts of the area. Four of the homes, incidentally, were equipped with fallout shelters.

GINGERBREAD: Most builders are against it, but... That's the general consensus of a recent panel of the Building Contractors Assn. of California. Extended roofs, planter boxes, ornamented cornices, birdhouses on the roof—this is the kind of gingerbreading the builders were discussing. In the $20,000-and-up class home, buyers tend to keep away from it. But under $20,000 if one builder put it: "As long as gingerbread keeps selling houses, I'll keep using gingerbread on my exteriors."

ON OVERBUILDING: E. B. Vaughters, president of the HBA of Seattle, points out that overbuilding doesn't just hurt those who do it. It hurts the surrounding builders whose homes must be marketed in competition with distress merchandise. It also depresses the market in general by adversely affecting public opinion. Vaughters says that sound market analysis can prevent surplus building. Good reporting by the local builders' magazines can also help. Some of these periodicals now report on subdivisions being developed, housing starts, and, periodically, the number of unsold houses.

HBA HITS JACKPOT: In Salem, Ore., the local building association interested national manufacturers and suppliers in contributing to a model home built at the Oregon State Fair. The association was able to greatly stimulate homebuilding by putting 65,200 persons through the model (at 53¢ per family charge). It also wound up with an $18,000 gain for itself. The sum represented the average between the $26,900 price obtained for the home and the costs for the exhibit.

SHOPPING CENTER NEWS: After building about 2,500 homes in Lake Hills near Bellevue, Wash., Bell & Valdez are starting construction on their own shopping center. It is scheduled to be a real "Whoop-er-do," complete with a nine-hole golf course, swimming pool and a barn playhouse.

ANOTHER NEW CITY: Branden Construction Co., builders of more than 12,000 homes in Northern California, has now started work on a new development in East Sacramento. They envision, by 1965, homes for 10,000 people, shopping centers, schools—the works. Homes will range from $16,450 to $23,500 and will be available to veterans at no down payment. Development will be called "Panorama Village."
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Siding cuts costs
Redwood siding is said to cut application costs, comes with factory-applied primer paint. One top coat can finish siding in the field. Takes a wide variety of paints. Material is packaged in protective paper wrapping.—Pacific Lumber Co.

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Window panes slide
Full wall width basement window has aluminum slider glass and screen, will not interfere with curtains. Units are sealed at top and bottom, have weatherstripping on two jambs. Security lock and low-place latch.—Colorado Metal Products Corp.

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Protects door finish
New wrapper protects door finish from dust and paint until installation is complete. Doors are beveled, bored, dapped before kraft moisture-proof cover is removed. Hardware goes in right through wrapper. In ash, birch, beech and ribbon and rotary mahogany. All flush doors.—California Wood Products.

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Sliders are factory-welded
Steel sliding window is welded into completely integrated unit and factory inspected. Comes in standard two, three, four panel types, can be made to specified design and dimension. Windows are bonded and prime-painted.—Carmel Steel Products.

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Vent bases cut noise
Extended bases for roof ventilators have glass fiber insulated linings, reduce air and motor noises. Units range in size from 15" to 48" square. Construction is galvanized or aluminum.—Western Engineering & Mfg. Co.

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AMERICAN BUILDER
22 ways to build more house for the money with DFPA-QUALITY TRADEMARKED FIR PLYWOOD

- 5 ways to save with one-step siding-sheathing
- 5 ways to cut sheathing and subflooring costs
- 6 ways to build better, faster with components
- 6 new ways you can use fir plywood box beams
Eichler Homes saves $200 a house with Texture One-Eleven® siding-sheathing

Eichler Homes of Palo Alto, whose handsome project houses have won most of the country's top awards, is cost-conscious as well as style-conscious. Since switching to Texture One-Eleven® (vertically grooved) fir plywood as siding, Eichler has shaved $100 a house off his siding costs, and has virtually eliminated callbacks due to faulty siding. By nailing T 1-11 directly to studs without sheathing, Eichler gets the strongest possible wall, while saving $75-100 per house in sheathing materials and 20 man-hours in labor. Cost of let-in bracing is eliminated too; plywood combined siding-sheathing has ample bracing strength and fully meets F.H.A. requirements.
money on siding and sheathing? does both jobs in one step

Exterior plywood siding styles vary from Japanese panel-and-batten to traditional lapped

Panel-and-batten wall on Eugene, Ore. home was simply built with standard 3/8" Exterior fir plywood nailed to studs with battens at joints, and stained. With weathering, plywood checks and acquires a pleasantly textured surface. One-step wall method meant low cost: $8.75 psf. For the smoothest siding, use overlaid fir plywood, painted.


Lapped plywood siding makes a rigid wall without sheathing. On this Olympia, Wash. home, 16"-wide courses were nailed to studs, with wedges at joints. Plywood may be regular or, as used here by designer-builder Charles Sten, overlaid for a premium paint job. It may be ripped, or purchased precut (beveled or plain) in several widths.

Board-and-batten effect on this Portland, Ore. home is Exterior fir plywood doubling as sheathing. Builder Harold Stroberger applied panels directly to studs, with battens 16" o.c. Overlaid Exterior fir plywood gave an ultra-smooth paint job. With same method and unsanded Exterior, allowed to check with weathering, a rustic board effect results.

Look for the DFPA-quality trademark on all plywood you buy
A switch to fir plywood roof decking from car decking cut labor costs 15% for a volume builder in northern California. He uses tongue-and-groove ¾" A-D Interior plywood with the “A” face down. Ceilings are given a planked effect by V-grooving the plywood 12” o.c. Instead of building soffits, he uses a starter strip of Exterior fir plywood at the beam overhangs, with furring strips to bring its level up to the insulated roof. The plywood roof system saves labor, takes less framing, practically eliminates scrap, and gives a tight, strong roof. There are no loose boards to open up, and plywood is uniform and lightweight, hence easy for workmen to handle. Two men can cut, install and nail the average roof in a day.
New tongue-and-groove 2·4·1\textsuperscript{1/2} plywood cut labor 37\% for Tacoma, Washington builder R. H. Wegner. The 1 1/4" subflooring-underlayment is now available with t&g edges to eliminate blocking. Two men can lay 1,000 square feet in four hours, handling 60\% fewer pieces than with conventional joist construction.

Tilt-up fir plywood walls mean savings of $525 per house for Smith & Kline Construction Co., Castro Valley, Calif. They fabricate entire 40-ft. second-story walls, then tilt them up into place. This eliminates the time and cost of erecting scaffolding, and plywood's structural strength makes bracing and blocking unnecessary.

Fir plywood subfloors have cut floor installation costs in half for Andy Oddstad, big-volume builder in northern California. Using 5/8-inch PlyScord\textsuperscript{®}, one man can install the average floor in one day. It used to take two men the same time to do the job. Waste is negligible and DFPA-inspected FlyScord makes a solid base for finish flooring.

Mechanized handling of fir plywood roof sheathing helps cut roof construction costs. H. M. Gorelick of Long Island uses a mobile crane welded to a war surplus vehicle to lift sling loads of plywood, ceiling joists, and roof framing. Shapland Homes, Champaign, III., gets plywood to second-story roofs with a belt conveyor.
Plywood components build a better

This house was assembled with big plywood components, not built with thousands of small pieces.

 Methods used on this Seattle custom house today will be standard practice on tract houses tomorrow. Floors, walls and roof were quickly erected with stressed skin fir plywood panels on simple post-and-beam supports.

**Floor panels** took only 7½ man-hours to install. All components were 4x8 fir plywood “sandwiches” containing insulation and with lumber framing and stiffeners. Plywood type and lumber dimensions varied with application. Panelbild Systems of Lynnwood, Wash. was fabricator and installer.

**Wall components**, also plywood panels, took 17 man-hours to install. Outer skins served as siding; inner skins, paneling. Plywood was of two types: vertically grooved Texture One-Eleven®, which was stained; or medium-density overlaid, smoothly painted.

**Roof panels**, too, cut labor because they covered 32 sq. ft. at a time, providing ceiling, roof decking in one component. Man-hours required for roof: 15. Total cost of the house was $13,000, or $12.50 psf. Contractor was G. A. N. Company; architect, Charles Metcalf.
cut on-site labor up to 80%,
house with closer cost control

Stressed skin panels can be used for roofs of every design: folded, flat or curved

This unusual folded plate roof brought crowds to Wedgwood Homes' model house in Portland, Ore. Its quick erection was as remarkable as its looks. Five men put up posts, beams, and prefabricated roof panels in five hours. A comparable conventional roof would take 12 man-days. Roofs like this, made of big stressed skin fir plywood panels leaning against each other in a series of rigid corrugations, are strong, speedily built, and permit long clear spans. Needing fewer supports, they are actually stronger than flat roofs using the same amount of material.

Flat panels can also be used on roofs of more conventional design, like this slightly pitched one in Denver. Builder Robert Harlan used 2 x 8-foot sandwich-type fir plywood panels for a 2,560-sq. ft. roof. The double-duty panels were strong, yet light enough for workmen to handle easily. Top and bottom skins were 3/4" exterior fir plywood; framing and stiffeners were 2 x 4's. Aluminum insulation was placed inside the panel. The "A" face of the bottom skin was left exposed and painted to serve as the finished ceiling.

Vaulted roofs like the one on the Redi-Gas building in Parkland, Wash. are being adopted by more and more builders for home construction. Components were four-foot-wide arched stressed skin panels of exterior fir plywood with paper honeycomb core. Lightweight, easily handled, each spans 16 feet. Component construction helped keep total cost of the building to $8.10 psf.

For more information on fir plywood components, write Douglas Fir Plywood Association, Tacoma 2, Wash.

(continued)
Case study house proves plywood beams “best and cheapest way to do the job”

This Altadena, Calif. house was sponsored by Arts & Architecture magazine to demonstrate new ways to build better. Fir plywood box beams as roof supports were key components. Made and installed by Berkeley Plywood Co., beams were amply strong, yet light enough for easy handling. Webs of medium density overlaid exterior fir plywood provided a superior paint base. Since beams extend from inside to outside, durability as well as appearance of finish was important. In-place cost with this premium plywood was about what heavier lumber beams would have cost and far less than glue-lams. Architects were Buff, Straub & Hensman of Los Angeles.

Floor supports in custom houses of Robert Kronenberg, Hinsdale, Ill. builder, are fir plywood box beams. He finds them strong, stable, shrink-proof. He gets longer spans than with available lumber beams.

Door lintels of these small aircraft hangars in Tacoma, Wash. are peaked fir plywood box beams. Strong, economical beams span 40 ft. and support 375 lbs. per lin. ft. Other logical applications for similar beams: garages, marinas and warehouses.
are low in weight and cost, strength, looks and stability

Plywood box beams can be fabricated in any length or shape, for any load or span.

Plywood box beams for garage door openings are low-cost and good-looking. Because of plywood's high strength-weight ratio, they are easy to handle, yet amply stiff for long spans.

Ridge beams and exposed ceiling beams of fir plywood are smooth and attractive. Long-span beams make sense in home building because they permit maximum design freedom.

This warehouse illustrates use of low-cost, strong plywood beams to create a 40' x 80' clear area free of supporting posts or walls. Four peaked beams, spaced 20 ft. o.c., span 40 ft.

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Watch for big news on John Deere wheel tractors and EARTHMOVING EQUIPMENT
A New Year Demands New Ways to Sell a Tough Housing Market

It's a tough market, all right. And it's got a lot of us troubled as to how we'll sell it. Still, in any city you visit you'll find at least one builder who is selling hot while his neighbors cry the depressed market blues.

What are these builders doing that's helping them sell? You ask, and their answers—nearly identical and almost too simple—add up to this: they're giving the buyer what he wants.

Now that sounds obvious. Yet, a large percentage of people we've been surveying during the past two years reveal that builders haven't been offering them what they want. So, they haven't been buying.

Well, that creates a pretty mess. All through the post-war years you've been selling houses by giving buyers what they wanted. They wanted shelter, you gave them shelter. They wanted a ranch, you gave them a ranch; they wanted a split level, you gave it. They were happy and you were happy. Now, suddenly, they've stopped buying. And they tell you they've stopped because you're not giving them what they want. It almost makes you want to throw up your hands and plan a 1961 career in selling marbles.

Well, you don't have to do that. But, if you're planning to sell you will have to realize a few things about this year's buyer.

First, the 1961 buyer is a brand new breed of "cat" than we've been used to. Second, you need a whole new approach to selling him.

Who is this new 1961 buyer? Well, he's a real sophisticate who knows what he wants in a house. He's smart, his taste has become more refined, and he's got more money than he's ever had before.

He knows more about materials that go into a house. He knows how to look for hidden, as well as visible, values. He wants to know whether the house is insulated and what kind of insulation. He knows house design; and he knows exactly what he wants his house to do for him in terms of prestige.

This knowledge, though, is not enough. He's a new breed of buyer, all right, and he's sophisticated, but...
Research your area... pick your target

"You need market research—not national data but classification of what you can sell to your local market."

"You must plan for success. A try-and-see approach won't work in this rapidly maturing industry."

"Make yourself a professional. You've got an important industry status and the more you respect it, the more your market will respect you."

"Plan new designs. House desires are changing as rapidly as the people we call buyers. And they're a brand new breed."

What he wants in Oshkosh he wouldn't take on a silver platter in Medina.

So, if you're going to sell him in 1961 you're going to have to know more about him in terms of your own bailiwick—your local market. There's only one way to do that. And that's through market research or what we call market knowledge.

Your local market is like a big checkerboard. It's made up of a series of squares. Each represents a segment of the market—blue-collar, junior executive, senior executive, ranch, split-level, and so on.

What market research will do is give you your first important sales tool for 1961. It will classify your market.

You just can't classify cities by dollars alone. What's important to know is what the potential is in terms of labor categories—rank and file workers, foremen, superintendents, company presidents.

Research will give you this classification. And it will give you more than you need to know. For instance, you may learn you have a big blue-shirt worker market. How do you advertise for him, how do you design for him? A big help is being told what he's like.

He's friendly. He develops first-name relationships quickly. He doesn't try to keep up with the Joneses. His home life is very important. He wants a good floor plan with lots of small rooms. He wants friendly neighbors who are as unconcerned with the Joneses as he is.

He reads Confidential Magazine. This information gives you several sales breaks. It tells you in part what kind of house to design for him. It tells you what kind of advertisement to design. It tells you he'll go for bold and somewhat brassy promotion—a modification of the old circus approach. It tells you to talk financing terms in all your selling efforts.

Research might reveal a junior executive—or white collar—market in your locale eager to be sold.

Tackle this market and you'll want to know something about this particular guy. For instance, he generally buys in the medium price house bracket. He's something of a snob. He worries about conformity. The house he buys must be smartly designed so that he can be proud of it and impress his friends with the fact that he made a smart decision. He wants to live with the smart suburbanites. He is a status-seeker and is concerned with the "rightness" of things. He wears olive-green suits and he, too, reads Confidential Magazine. But he tears off the covers.
This knowledge gives you some approaches to designing and selling to him. You design smartness into the house you want to sell him. Your wording is smart in its own right and will appeal to his snobbery. Your selling will require a direct approach. Your promotions must be "classy." You'll offend the buyer with pony rides and free popcorn.

Research might reveal a good market in your locale of senior executives. That means expensive homes.

It tells you where to build your houses. These people want to live with other "rich" people. They want to belong to the same clubs as their neighbors and attend the same college reunions.

The senior executive consults several sources before making decisions. He shops around a lot. He looks for the advice of others. He, too, confidentially, reads Confidential Magazine—but only the ads.

What I’m trying to point out with all this is simply: you’ve got to sell to a specific market. And to do that you’ve got to classify it—know what it is and what it wants.

If you’re a speculative or merchandising builder, you’ve probably been operating a "try and see" type of business. You build sample houses on a trial basis. You develop an advertising theme, try it out, and see how it works out. You run all over the United States with a camera snapping pictures of other builders’ houses and apply the ideas to your own, hoping that it will work only in your own locale. If you want to sell this year you’ll have to develop a better recipe for your business. You’ve got to start out with proven ingredients, bake them at the right temperature, and be reasonably assured that the public will eat the cake. You’ve got to plan for success.

You’ve got to build success into your business with better management procedures. Planning success is a long-range, complex, and sometimes difficult job. But all successful businesses do it. And now that homebuilding is becoming a more mature industry, you’ve got to do it too—or you won’t sell.

Plan new designs

We’ve come a long way from the days of the hollow box. The buyer is changing and he won’t buy unless you design to conform to his changing demands.

Tomorrow’s house will no longer depend on glamour. It will be a series of inter-related cubicles where all activities can be done separately and concurrently.

The big living room will give way to a rebirth of the old-fashioned parlor. The family room will merge with the kitchen and become the living core of the house. Speaking of kitchens, do you know what housewives want in kitchens today? For years, builders, manufacturers and architects have tried to sell housewives on the craving for kitchens with three-step-in-any-direction push-button designs. The housewife doesn’t want this. She wants a kitchen to be a household office.

She wants it to have all the charm of the open fire and the whistling tea kettle. Maybe this sounds too romantic for a business as practical as ours. But beyond the mortar you must create consumer appeal and sell it out.

And make your bedrooms larger. Give them more storage space. Every phase of our manner of living has changed. We have more clothing, both in quantity and variety, than ever before. Don’t sell bedrooms as sleeping rooms; sell them as personal rooms. And another interesting trend. There’s a marked return to full basements. Buyers want them and in many areas they just won’t buy unless they get them.

Make yourself a professional

Last year’s best selling book was a nonfiction work called Hidden Persuaders, by Vance Packard. And up way on the list this year are two others by the same author, “The Status Seekers,” and “The Waste Makers.” Get them and read them. Both would have been laughed out of court 15 years ago. But today they are an important documentation of the kind of life we presently lead. This kind of information will make you a professional in this building business.

What is a professional? He’s a guy who does something for a purpose as opposed to the guy who does something then hopes it serves his purpose.

Being a professional in building means simply this: know your market and build and sell to its demands.

Don’t just build a house because you have a set of plans around and you’d like to build that kind of house. In yesterday’s market you had a good chance at being a builder. This approach is too risky for today’s market. (Although it has one advantage.) If you can’t sell it and have to move in yourself, you’d like it. But even there, you’re designing, building and selling to a market—even though you happen to be it.

Upgrade your salesman

Make your salesman a professional, too. Make sure he upholds the image of himself and his industry.

Make sure he is positive in his actions, that he takes the lead, that he works at selling. You know, there’s one characteristic we have as Americans. We like to be sold, and we like to like those who sell us.

A major part of a good salesman’s presentation should be to sell the builder’s reputation.

And reputation in our business is represented wholly by quality and service. The second, third, and fourth-time buyer and these are a big part of our current market potential—will be influenced by a good service record.

What are the growth builders doing?

Every locality boasts at least one builder who is selling "hot" while his neighbors struggle through a soft market. What are they doing that’s so different? Ed Mears of Medina, Ohio, took a rough terrain that nobody wanted, fitted it with smart homes, merchandised a new way of life. . . . Dave Fox in Dallas made it a practice of recording facts about his prospects for months. When the market got tough he redesigned to what his prospects wanted and rapidly posted "sold out" signs for Fox and Jacobs. . . . Pat Construction in Cleveland put five models around a cul de sac, opened the homes fully furnished and without "hands off the furniture" signs. This, plus smart, professional merchandising, makes them leaders in their areas. . . . In South Bend, Ind., Andy Place’s market research told him his $25,000 to $28,000 market was exhausted. So, after careful research, he came out in the $18,000 to $22,000 price range, and is now enjoying one of his best years. . . . Jack Worthman in Fort Wayne, famous for selling style, used up all his style-conscious customers. Research showed him a new market of second-time buyers who wanted new designs. He gave the buyers what they wanted and boosted sales. . . . Bob Schroeder, out in Latham (N.Y.), came out with an "expansion ranch" offering 1,900 sq. ft. of space for $14,000. He sold 37 homes to a $5,000 a year market before opening his model.
Buyers sell themselves

There's a law of physics that every action has an equal and opposite reaction. There should be a law of merchandising that sales pressure is apt to be met by equal and opposite sales resistance.

You can see buyer resistance to high-pressure selling almost anywhere—the averted eyes, the mumbled exchange with spouse, the heavy stance.

But to see a masterpiece of low-pressure selling, drive 15 miles east of Washington to Levitt and Sons' new Belair community near Bowie, Md. There you will find relaxed buyers, on their own, thoroughly ransacking the models for reasons to buy, as in the pictures above. The report is they bought well over 600 houses in the first month the doors were open. And sales have been notoriously tough to make in the Washington area.

Of course the location is good. Pretty, rolling country. A 4-lane limited access superhighway going through nearby that will put downtown Washington within 30 minutes. And the values are exceptional. There's a $14,900 Cape Cod model, with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths and air conditioning.

But the sales operation itself may well be even more impressive to you. You'll find that:

1. The salesmen themselves are serenely confident that the values they have to sell are unmatched.
2. The new salesmen have had six weeks' training—four in the field, observing construction—two in and around the mortgage department, learning the legal and financial ends of the business.
3. The salesmen have in the office a thick 8½ x 11 black loose-leaf notebook ("the bible") that answers even obscure points that a buyer might question. "The driveway? Let's see... 4 inches of bank run gravel, 2½ inches of black top." If a salesman can't find an answer in the book, he refers the question to sales manager Stan Langford: he never says he doesn't know; he never guesses.
4. Salesmen are paid on straight salary. Thus they don't pressure a man while they've got him; they tell the man that if they're not on hand when he comes back, any other salesman can give him just as good service.
5. Salesmen are taught to speak right out firmly and clearly, with no whispering. This gives their sales office a quality of openness and honesty that you have to hear to believe.
6. Everything is open and above board; it couldn't be more clear to
the prospect what's included in the price, or what's not included. A sign in the kitchen of all five models says: "All the equipment you see in this house is included in the price, including the air conditioning."

7 The emphasis is on service—the salesmen seem more to be acting in the buyer's interest than in the seller's interest. "There is none of the old pounding on the head—buy, buy, buy," says one Levitt executive. "That's out-of-date."

8 People going through the models are relaxed. A uniformed attendant in each model may open the door and ask if you have literature, but that's as far as he goes. Generally, you don't find salesmen in the models; they're in the office. "I haven't been in this house four times in the last month," said one salesman, who'd come to answer some questions on the scene.

9 The salesmen don't hand you a spiel. They assume you're interested, intelligent. When you ask a question, they answer it fully, as specifically as possible. Whenever possible, they quote somebody else. Ask how much it will cost to heat, say, the 1,400 sq. ft., 3 bedroom 2 bath "Rancher" and they'll pull out a notebook and say: "We don't have operating records yet, of course, but the gas company came out and made a study; they estimate it will cost $154 a year, on the basis of an 8-month heating season."

10 Where promises can be made, they're exact. The buyer is not told the month of occupancy, or the week; he's told the day.

11 In areas where there can be no control of what the buyer will get, he's told that. Exterior color, for example, will depend on the work of a color coordinator, who will be concerned with pleasant overall neighborhood effects.

12 If you ask a salesman about a change you'd like, don't expect his face to fall. "That's one of the secrets of the value Mr. Levitt can offer," he will tell you. "If we let the bars down on changes, you'd have to pay much, much more for a house—believe me."

Exactly what Levitt and Sons' merchandising formula is has been widely speculated upon and argued. As you leave this latest Levitt community you may easily decide it is: (1) create a value display that goes as far as it can to speak for itself, (2) provide immediate, detailed, accurate, authoritative answers to every question that may enter the buyer's mind, and (3) let the buyer sell himself. In short, by means of zero sales pressure achieve zero sales resistance.
Post-sale selling insures

Western builder Herman Sarkowsky shows marked increase in referral buying through post selling; marketing service offers sample method for use by contractor and salesmen

Out of 100 sales in the first six months of 1960, United Homes, of Tacoma, Wash., realized 56 from direct referral.

In 1959, they sold 312 homes—72 of which resulted from referrals. And in 1958, out of 298 sales, 78 were made as a direct result of referral by previous buyers.

"This increasing ratio," says United's president Herman Sarkowsky, "is the result of more and more attention being given in recent years to the all important subject of post-sale selling."

"In other words," Sarkowsky says, "taking definite steps to keep buyers happy and enthusiastic about their homes after the purchase."

Program Has Six Points

United starts a six-point program as soon as earnest money is put down:

• A letter goes out thanking the buyer and assuring him of his good purchase.
• Photo of the house under construction arrives a short time later.
• As completion date nears, a letter notifies the buyer so that he can make his moving plans.
• When the house is turned over, a United representative and the buyer go over a check sheet.

• If the buyer has a complaint, it is acknowledged on the same day as received. Repair or customer notification as to when the trouble will be fixed occurs within 72 hours.
• After the buyer and his family have moved in, they are treated to dinner at a good restaurant. It's an informal celebration and evidence that United Homes appreciates their business.

"These methods are not startlingly new, nor are they expensive," says Herman Sarkowsky. "The big thing is to get the idea over that you are genuinely interested in the buyer being satisfied and happy about his purchase."

Contest Helps

One merchandising idea which ties in with post sale selling was a landscaping contest run by United in its Park Orchard tract. The development is planned for 1,100 homes and selling will continue for several years.

Since attractive streets and lawns are a definite aid in sales, Sarkowsky decided on a landscaping contest. It ran from April to Labor Day last summer. Although he had only 78 owners at the beginning, he posted three prizes—$500, $300 and $200.

Each owner was given three landscaping plans with which to work. The result was a beautiful neighborhood and a definite aid to United's merchandising program. In addition, the owners felt it made for more pleasant living.

Housewives Help

Sarkowsky also took advantage of the fact that the best possible sales people are present owners. On Sundays he hires four housewives from the Park Orchard tract to act as hostesses in his four model homes. The wives receive a modest sum.

Besides conducting prospective buyers through the homes, the ladies drum up entries for a door-prize contest. This one is open to all people who have visited models during the first two weeks after the opening of a new unit.

Builder Moves

During the past five years, United Homes have built over 1,250 units, ranging in price from $10,700 to $27,000. The firm operates in five different communities throughout western Washington. Each community totals nine subdivisions. Sarkowsky's eventual aim is to add at least two new communities per year for the next several years.

HERMAN SARKOWSKY, United Homes president, has long been an advocate of post-sale selling. United builds in five communities in western Washington.

FOUR HOUSEWIVES from United's Park Orchard tract help in the merchandising program. They conduct prospects through model homes, answer questions.
These tips make selling simpler

YOU SPEND 30 minutes more with the customer after he has bought the house. That's the heart of post-sale selling as advocated by Jim Mills, head of Home Facts, Inc., New Canaan, Conn.

The program involves these four simple steps:

1. A week after the buyer moves in, the man who sold the house—you or your salesman—call on the owner, accompanied by a serviceman. You explain, "we're here to check over the house, Mr. Smith, to see if everything is ok."
2. While the serviceman goes over the place, you engage in conversation with the owner. You resell the house. More important, you gain information about what the new homeowner likes best about the house. From the conversation come new selling points. It's research.
3. Before leaving, you turn responsibility for the house over to the serviceman. "Joe will be back in a week or so, Mr. Smith. Meanwhile, thanks again. Call Joe personally if there are any problems."
4. Joe returns in a week. "Do you remember me, Mr. Smith? Joe, from Ajax Builders. I just wanted to make a final check-out before we leave you with your new house."

JIM MILLS heads Home Facts, Inc., New Canaan, Conn., a marketing service for home builders.

Here's why:
1. You save direct sales cost because referral customers are quicker, easier to sell.
2. You save advertising costs because word of mouth turns up many truly interested leads.
3. You save research time and cost because your own salesmen dig up information you need to sell better—perhaps even to make important design changes.
4. You save on service costs. Both because of Joe's visits and because your home maintenance tips keep homes in better shape right from the beginning.
5. You save the total loss of "kick-outs" because post selling produces presold referral customers who stay sold.

Follow-up Mail
An important part of post-sale selling is follow-up mail from your central office. It must contain information pertinent to the buyer.

Here are some examples:
1. A check-list for winter and spring advises the owner of safeguards for his home.
2. Important local codes often are not considered by a home buyer. Mailers could point out restrictions on extra garages, swimming pools.
3. General information questionnaires could invite criticism and complaints.

And that, of course, is the entire purpose of post-sale selling. You give the customer some attention after he has spent his money, and he appreciates it. He looks upon you as the best builder on earth. He tells his friends. They come to you half sold and you approach them well recommended.
Swift-selling split level

BRICK-WOOD-GLASS combination gives split a custom look. Alternate walk-in basement design is available, with well-

DIFFERENT CEILING LEVELS visually separate living areas. Fireplace, paneled wall add custom touches at little extra cost. For impact, Prows decorates models with furnishings that carry out style and design features of the house.
for a slow market

- Sales linked to "Hidden Value" merchandising, custom features, low price
- House design figured as status symbol
- Wide price range helps boost business

It was almost the same story across the nation in 1960: business bad, except for the builder that teamed good design with sound, impact-type merchandising programs. Youthful designer-builder Dick Prows, who heads up Richard Prows, Inc., of Bountiful, Utah, is no exception to this combination of ingredients.

A fast runner in Prows' stable of designs (one of every eight in a 100-house tract) is the "Cherry Hill" split-level model, pictured and blueprinted this month.

"Splits are nothing new in the Salt Lake City area," says Prows. "They haven't been what you would call exceptionally tops on the market in the past." But Prows has changed this picture by designing a split that looks different, looks larger, and has better features. Because of these features, Prows feels his splits have become a sort of status symbol in its income market to many prospective buyers.

The Cherry Hill is clean-cut contemporary at its best. It looks much larger than its 1,142 sq. ft. of living space—accomplished by unbroken roof line, window walls, and carport. Inside, the house features a large (16'9"x15'6") living room with fireplace; a kitchen-dining area, distinctively separated to customize it, 3 bedrooms, and 1 1/2 baths.

The house sells for $15,950, with a $700 FHA downpayment. Financed over a 30-year term, the monthly payments are $106, FHA. For vets it runs $101.

FOR THE COST of a divider, kitchen-dining rooms can be separated to highlight custom theme. Prows feels design alone doesn't tell the story: "You have to have features that catch the eye, yet be able to keep the house simple."
GATE, LAMP THEME—carried throughout Prows' advertising and promotion—highlights entrance to model homes. Cherry Hill split (foreground) is on $1,700 lot.

DIRECTIONAL SIGNS placed along major roads in and around Salt Lake City area point way, tell price. Handsome brick entrance to development gives feeling of permanency.
OUTDOOR SIGN at the model home site lists contractors, to merchandise "good names" in local building scene.

BATHROOMS are extra-special, and cartoon-signs say so. Trade names, trade associations help promote quality.

BRAND NAMES appear throughout merchandising program. Cartoons are humorous; words flippant, yet serious.

SIGNS CALL ATTENTION to design features usually unnoticed by prospects. Salesman can use this as cue to pitch.

TOUGH-TO-SELL utilities are smartly promoted the hidden value way. Cartoons glamorize technical aspects.

CUT-A-WAY TECHNIQUE re-assures prospects that "we've got nothing to hide—even behind the quality gypsumboard."

**Signs become Prows' silent salesmen**

"HIDDEN VALUE" merchandising has definitely helped Prows sell houses. Winner of the 1960 AMERICAN BUILDER $1,000 Special Award for Quality Merchandising of Hidden Values, Prows shares credit with associate Robert Wood who has a professional background in advertising-promotion.

The success of the Prows-Wood sales program is based on one factor: "You have got to do the job professionally. Home-made doesn't work."

"Straight signs don't tell the hidden value story for us," Prows explains. "You have to catch the customer's eye. We have used the cut-away, cartoon technique."

Hidden value story-telling is not a new thing to the Prows' organization. The builder-designer was one of the first in his area to use cut-away signs in selling houses.

In addition to this promotion, Prows capitalizes on trade name building materials and appliances. He knows the promotional effort that manufacturers have put into consumer programs and has taken advantage of it in his promotional efforts.

"The hidden value approach is a wonderful thing for us," he says. "It is a 'silent salesman' when needed, and an aid to our salesmen."

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NOTHING-TO-HIDE approach builds buyer confidence. Builders said idea drew much comment from prospects.

Roundup:

Ideas that sell houses

Through consumer magazines, manufacturers' literature, television, and probably best of all, homeowner experience, prospective home buyers are becoming more aware of construction techniques and values. They want to know what's behind the wallpaper— the hidden values. As one midwest builder put it: "We can no longer sell 'em just design and how nice the paint looks. They want to know about the studs, spacing, how much insulation there is in the ceiling, what the shingles are made of, and what makes the furnace and air conditioner work."

To tell this story, many builders merchandise hidden values. And these builders are selling houses.
SALES PAVILION in 45'x20' area shows off major components of homes. Display area is located so it can't be missed by prospects as they enter model home area. This Denver builder also shows prospects actual construction in action.

UTILITY COMPANY displays show wiring needed for today's appliances.

SIGNS are silent salesmen. They direct traffic, cue salesman presentations.

MIRRORS reflect roof, ceiling construction, show type of insulation used.

Hidden Values: the art of signmanship, demonstration

It's generally agreed that there's a lot of "show biz" connected with merchandising hidden values and homes. It takes a gimmick. Signs and demonstrations fall under this classification. Leaders get best results when they create one theme and stick to it. Changing sign or demonstration techniques in the middle of the house tends to confuse prospects. This holds true of entire developments. As one builder explains: "We pick a program, use it throughout the site, on our directional billboards, in our advertising. We want an image."

Signs and demonstrations should: (1) serve as silent salesmen; (2) guide and direct; (3) fix the sales story in the prospective buyer's mind; (4) help the salesman point up features of the house.

Cartoon-type signs have good impact on customers; they help salesmen break the ice. But they should be done by a professional cartoonist. The message should be short, pointed, and not funny.
NEW MARLITE DECORATOR PANELS

newest look in wash-and-wear walls

Here are fresh, new Marlite patterns designed to add a modern decorator touch to both residential and non-residential interiors. The six new marble patterns (priced considerably less than former Marlite marble panels) are adaptable to any building and architectural treatment. And Marlite’s four new golden Fleece and Lace patterns with their fleecy cloud effect and lacy gold veining will give any interior a beautiful contemporary look. All of these new panels (\(\frac{1}{2}\)" thick, 4' wide, 8' long) feature Marlite’s exclusive melamine plastic finish that needs no painting or further protection; stays like new for years. For the complete story see your building materials dealer, consult Sweet’s File, or write Marlite Division of Masonite Corporation, Dept. 103, Dover, Ohio.
How big a tractor do you need for basements, materials-handling, grading?

If you build 5 to 25 houses a year, you may not need as big an outfit as you think. Why use a big expensive tractor that costs you $27 per day or more, when your general excavating, grading and materials-handling work can just as easily be done by a Case 310 Utility Loader...for only around $9 per day? These per-day costs are an estimate of what it would cost you for depreciation, taxes, insurance and interest every day, for a 200-day work-season. Even if you use a different accounting method, you’ll find the relationship still true...over 60% per-day saving in favor of the Case 310.

Consider these jobs:

BASEMENTS — Let’s agree that a bigger rig may dig a basement faster than a 310. But if the larger rig finishes the job and then “sits idle”, the high daily “ownership” cost quickly offsets extra operator-time for the Case 310. So in reality, your “310-dug” basement costs the same or less, and yet you have reduced your investment cost over 60%.

EXPEDITING, MATERIALS-HANDLING — You probably couldn’t afford to have a $135-a-week machine “sitting” on your job while you’re framing and finishing a house. But a $45-a-week Case 310 offers constant opportunities for extra cost-savings, if used just a couple hours a week—to move dirt-piles for easier access by employees and subcontractors, for closer unloading of materials, and to carry lumber, siding, roofing, block, brick and mortar right to workmen—even through deep mud.

GRADING — You can readily see that a utility-size machine offers cost-savings in its speed, maneuverability, and precise control of finish grade around houses. But a Case 310 will also make extra money on larger-yardage dirt-moving, too...whenever “sit-idle” costs of a larger rig exceed added operator expense for the 310.

A low-cost Case 310 Utility Loader develops 5815 lbs drawbar pull. Available with high-torque Case gasoline or diesel engine, it digs easily, gets heaped ¾-yd bucketloads. Machine reverses direction instantly...turns short smoothly with power on both tracks. Loader lifts 3500 lbs to full height, dumps clean with 8'10" clearance for fast dump-and-go. This unit may be equipped with scarifier or winch, and interchangeable front pallet fork, log fork or dozer blade for specialized or off-season work. And, in addition, it costs less to move the 310 from job to job, than a bigger rig.

See how Case 310 Loader can make extra profit on your general excavating, grading and materials-handling, at 60% saving in outlay. Ask for free demonstration right on your job. Or send coupon for machine details.
LP-Gas dealers help builders

Their business is selling bottled gas. But they also help builders solve a variety of problems connected with building in rural areas. Help often is both technical and promotional.

When a builder "moves to the country" in search of cheaper land, he often is faced with a whole new set of problems. Fortunately, however, there's someone who's more than willing to help him solve those problems—the LP-Gas dealer.

These suppliers of bottled liquid petroleum gas long have been instrumental in opening outlying districts to homebuilding. And with the new influx of builders, dealers find themselves providing everything from technical consultation services to promotional material designed to sell houses.

Builders planning to work in undeveloped areas, and who plan to work with gas as a fuel, would do well to confer with local LP-Gas dealers while planning a subdivision. Two builder case histories point up the wisdom of this idea.

Case History One
R. M. Meyers, who owns the Iowa Business Exchange in Muscatine, Iowa, had built about 200 homes in his area within the last 10 years. These were served through normal gas mains.

But a year ago he planned to build a 23-home development 5 mi. south of Muscatine. The location of the subdivision was beyond the regular gas lines, but the builder wanted to equip the houses with modern gas heating systems.

Meyers wanted to play up the low cost of gas heat in merchandising the houses, which he planned to rent to bring him a steady income. The question then came up as to how to best provide fuel for this gas-heat operation.

Meyers approached his local LP-Gas dealer, Richard Stegall, manager of Thermogas Company of Wilton Junction, Iowa.

Stegall helped Meyers design into his subdivision a series of "co-operative" fuel tanks. These were eight 1,000-gal. tanks set up at the edges of the subdivision. Each tank supplies two to four houses. Stegall set the deal up so that Meyers assumed none of the cost of installing the tanks.

Thermogas provided all this equipment at a small ($2 a month) fee from each tenant, to amortize the investment.

Case History Two
J. R. Ladd, head of Ladd Enterprises, Des Plaines, Ill., building several large and small tracts 40 mi. outside of Chicago, chose to build in this outlying area to gain the advantage of lower land prices. This necessitated the use of LP-Gas, which would be the cheapest source of gas service.

Helping him work LP-Gas into planning of advertising, installing...
develop lower-cost land

the operation was James Althoff, a dealer in McHenry, Ill. Althoff provided Ladd with a complete package of services. This package included installation of heating systems in the Ladd homes at competitive prices bid against local subcontractors, and providing service against break-downs or other fuel problems.

Althoff also set up without charge, LP-Gas tanks to heat Ladd's model homes.

Althoff, and other of Ladd's suppliers, also co-operate in Ladd’s local newspaper advertising. About twice a year the suppliers pay the full cost of a Ladd ad. Althoff's share equals 1/4 of the total cost.

Another service Althoff offers is the arranging and placing of the many displays that furnace and other manufacturers provide for the builder without charge.

Ladd's homes are located on minimum half-acre wooded lots. They sell for between $35,000 and $60,000.

equipment, designing subdivisions, or just talking out problems

LANDSCAPING—Dealers often confer with builder on ways to work fuel supply neatly into subdivision. This involves unobtrusive tank locations and underground lines.

STUDYING—Dealer Stegall (left) and builder Meyers check LP-Gas meter on side of house. Meter shows how much fuel is consumed by each family using co-operative tank.
Have you heard how to plan a heating or air conditioning system with housewife appeal?

It's simple . . . when you start with the new Carrier Automatic Air Purifier.
In combination with a Carrier oil or gas furnace, it provides 5-Dimension Heating.
Add a Carrier cooling system, and you can offer complete 12-month Home Air Conditioning like none other on the market.

To find out all the powerful buying appeals you can offer your prospects, be sure to visit the Carrier Exhibit Booths 363, 364, 365 at the NAHB Convention, McCormick Place Exposition Center, January 29 through February 2. Or call your Carrier dealer, listed in the Yellow Pages. Carrier Air Conditioning Company, Syracuse 1, New York.
Contractor P. Gulmy, Glen Rock, New Jersey, has the answer to tricky working conditions—his OC-4.

For example: "To grade and compact rock-laden fill for this structure called for a small, powerful, maneuverable tractor. The block wall was 'fresh.' Lots of concrete piers complicated the job. The OC-4 is perfect for work like this, taking confined job sites in its stride with 'Spot-Turn' steering. It's really maneuverable—and economical!"

The OC-4 is your best solution to close-quarter work or large-production assignments. It has the greatest pounds pull of any crawler tractor its size ... the highest clearance, the shortest turning radius. 30-plus h.p. gasoline or diesel engine. Wide selection of mounted equipment, including fast-action backhoe. Oliver Corporation, Chicago 6, Ill.

"What can't the OC-46 do?" Dig, load, grade and, yes, even place concrete—that's what Gene Fierro, Hazleton, Pennsylvania, does with his OC-46 loader. On this job it took concrete from mixer to pour site up a 45° grade. It saved manpower and special ramps, made more money for him. See how this versatile, factory-built, integral ¾-yd. tractor-loader can speed more of your jobs, earn you more!
The 1961 NAHB

- It will be the largest in light construction history
- Discussion and workshop programs for small, large builders
- Practical aids in new building techniques and merchandising
- Most convention activities will be open to non-NAHB members
- More than 500 manufacturers to exhibit building products

THE BIG PICTURE . . .

Kingsize

That's the word to describe the 17th annual National Association of Home Builders' Convention and Exposition which swings into action January 29 in Chicago.

Labeled by NAHB officials as the largest convention and exposition in the history of the light construction industry, the 5-day show will be under one roof—Chicago's new McCormick Place.

As in past years, builders who are not members of NAHB are invited to attend the show; registration fees run $15 for men, $10 for women. All exhibits and meetings—except "housekeeping" meetings such as the board of directors—are open to all.

To date, more than 500 manufacturers have reserved space for the event, and by the time the doors are unlocked, all of the 137,000 square feet of exhibit area is expected to be filled—an increase of 50% over any previous year.

To provide an expected 35,000 conventioneers with transportation between the center and local hotels and motels, frequent bus service has been arranged. For women delegates, an expanded program is planned this year—a luncheon and style show, speakers of national fame, teas, sight-seeing trips, and several special meetings on interior decoration. Added to this—for all delegates—will be a special show featuring the famous Purdue University Glee Club and acts by top stage and television artists.

THE SHAPE OF IT . . .

Because the convention hall is under one roof, the entire program has, generally, been streamlined this year—with your time in mind. For example, the first board meeting will be on Saturday morning, January 28. Following will be committee meetings in the afternoon, instead of Friday, ahead of the main convention. NAHB officials have worked out a series of discussion groups to get
to the meat of important matters and has teamed this with general sessions, which will be held during the morning hours.

McCormick Place centralizes the entire convention—there won’t be any shuffling about between various hotels this year to see the exhibits. For luncheon, the NAHB staff has worked out a system so delegates can eat at the hall.

**WHAT THEY’LL BE TALKING ABOUT . . .**
- **The economic outlook for 1961.** Reports indicate that business in some areas was off as much as 50% during 1960. How does it look for ’61? What role will Kennedy and Congress play in the national housing picture? Scheduled in special sessions are discussions about this and about the outlook for housing demand and the general economy. Also slated are discussions on FHA-VA financing; an international housing program; conventional financing; tax matters; and, in a general session, Federal housing policies.
- **Merchandising.** The success of a builder in 1960 often depended on a good merchandising program. Discussion groups will go into this phase of the building business. Related subjects will include: merchandising for small volume builders; a review of 1-day merchandising short courses; how to make your model house a demonstrator; National Home Week; trade-in housing.
- **Cost cutting and research.** To help you build better and cheaper, discussions and demonstrations on building techniques are scheduled. These include a “house plan analysis” meeting where small volume builders can bring plans and get advice from experts. NAHB Research will demonstrate component panel construction, a new kitchen cabinet system, plastic plumbing, new electric wiring ideas, special hardware, new designs for window and door sections, finishing material ideas, a new prefabricated foundation, and electric heat structural wall panels.
- **Business management.** Today’s builder has to know more than just the nuts-and-bolts of construction; he has to be a businessman, too. Advance business management sessions will be held by discussion groups, with a final meeting on business management uniform chart of accounts for the builder.
- **Other important events.** In addition to the preceding events, these topics and meetings are planned: Design sessions; changing concepts in urban renewal; latest developments in labor relations; rental housing; National Housing Center Joint Home Builders and Manufacturers promotion; practical ideas for land development; custom builders workshop; ideas on housing for the elderly and nursing homes; and low income housing.

**TO BUILD BETTER, SELL BETTER, TURN TO THE 1961 PRODUCT PREVIEW**
Accent is on laminates for tops and walls in '61 kitchens
Plastic laminates come in eleven patterns and colors, each with a specific design use in bathrooms, kitchens, dens and recreation rooms. Wall tile (available in 10"x10" squares) combines easy maintenance with adaptability to large areas. Horizontal or vertical applications. Cabinets, drawer fronts, countertops feature grained patterns.—Formica, Booth Nos. 714-715.

New designs mean new sales

Broiler-griddle combo is countertop-mounted
All-Electric broiler-griddle fits right into 42" wide cabinet countertop. Includes four elements with wide range of settings, one thermostatically controlled. Broiler is recessed beneath griddle, rises at finger-tip touch. Unit also available in gas model. —Chambers Built-In Co., Booth Nos. 343-347.

Intercom has AM/FM radio; Hi-fi, stereo connections

Circle No. J2 on reply card, p. 119
Circle No. J3 on reply card, p. 119
Built-in barbecue includes lighted, filtered vent

Built-in barbecue has exhaust hood designed for charcoal cooking. Vent has three-speed radial axle blade-type blower capable of removing equivalent of 1,500 cfm. Includes oversize removable and washable filter, built-in lights.—Hasty Bake Co., Booth Nos. 818-819.

Circle No. J4 on reply card, p. 119

Has cabinet-type oven

Gas built-in unit has cabinet-type oven doors. Range measures 40" has four top burners, oven with thermostat-controlled broiler and rotisserie. Control panel is front mounted. Chrome top.—Geo. D. Roper Corp., Booth Nos. 549-550.

Circle No. J6 on reply card, p. 119

Cabinet gives color harmony

New cabinet design called "Autumn Breeze" harmonizes with various textiles, fabrics, appliances, accessories. "Whisper" pattern offers choice of four colors. Line features plastic-faced kitchen cabinets.—Consolidated, Booth Nos. 126-127.

Circle No. J8 on reply card, p. 119

Hood is nonducted

Nonducted range hood is 7" deep, designed for use with standard cabinets. Fan pulls grease, smoke odors through three different filters. Unit extends 21", comes in 30", 36", 42", 48" widths.—NuTone, Inc., Booths Nos. 768-769.

Circle No. J10 on reply card, p. 119

Disposer resists impact

Garbage disposer comes in four models, is encased in high-impact polystyrene. Has mounting assembly that is self-aligning, self-locking. Reverse action switch to reduce friction.

Circle No. J7 on reply card, p. 119

Cabinets are versatile

Kitchen cabinets have swivel-type storage drawers, disappearing doors. Drawers mount on steel shafts, rotate out from under counter top. Doors swing out, slide into cabinet side when unit is in use.—Orbit International, Booth Nos. 845-847.

Circle No. J9 on reply card, p. 119

Drawer warms food

Two-compartment warming drawer is completely insulated, has high and low temperature range. Each drawer has humidity control, separate heat chamber, thermostat.—Thermador Electrical Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 186-188.

Circle No. J11 on reply card, p. 119
Refrigerator-freezer fits every size kitchen

The 1961 "Model 125" has been added to Sub-Zero's line of built-in refrigeration equipment. A "Tu-Temp" combination refrigerator-freezer, unit makes a total of ten models in line to fit every size kitchen layout. Equipped with a 3/4 hp compressor, new model has dual adjustable temperature controls in refrigerator and in freezer. Has a permanent base as integral part of cabinet. Requires no special cabinet or complicated installation. - Sub-Zero Freezer Co., Inc., Booth Nos. 86-88.

Circle No. 3314 on reply card, p. 119

Never frosts up

This 13 cu. ft. combination refrigerator-freezer has frost-proof freezing system in top freezer section. Never needs defrosting. Has more space because there is no space-robbing frost. Fashionable new styling. - Frigidaire, Booth Nos. 729, 722.

Circle No. 3355 on reply card, p. 119

Timing device added

Magic Chef built-in oven, the 9511-SWC, has the Dial-a-Magic roasting control feature previously only in the freestanding line. All new models have accurate temperature control from 140° to 250°. - Magic Chef, Dixie Prods., Booth Nos. 211-212.

Circle No. 3356 on reply card, p. 119

Completely prewired hood has powerful fan

RangeMASTER hood is a completely pre-wired unit with powerful fan. Exhales straight out the back or vertically between the wall studs. Built for quality at low cost, it features twin lights, pushbutton control, and a variety of finishes to match any kitchen decor. Electro-plated finishes of brushed antique copper and hammered antique copper; satin stainless steel, copper-tone, silver-tone. - Audrey Hardware Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 982-983.

Circle No. 3317 on reply card, p. 119

Multi-outlet system connects up faster

Plugmold multi-outlet systems are aided by addition of the new W30 Wire Connector. Pressure-type device is for common connection of 2, 3, or 4 No. 12 AWG solid connectors. No slack is needed, so any applied installation is easy. Connector is 1-5/16" x 5/8", allows for T-splines without twisting, soldering or tapping. Conductor can't pull out or work loose. Strip gauge is molded into each device. Designed to handle any splice. In cartons of 10 or 50.

Wiernold Co., Booth No. 407.

Circle No. 3318 on reply card, p. 119

Bodies are all steel

Popularly-priced cabinets have birch fronts, heavy-gauge steel bodies. The five-ply birch is solid core, with fruitwood finish. Drawers have nylon glides. Have strength of steel, warmth of wood. - Marvel Metal Products Co., Inc., Booth No. 816.

Circle No. 3319 on reply card, p. 119

Prepare food anywhere

Five-in-one kitchen that can be situated anywhere. Features 5½ cu. ft. refrigerator, two-burner range, sink, Formica top server, and cabinet. Black walnut, mahogany, or blond finishes. - Aeron National Refrigeration Co., Inc., Booth No. 816.

Circle No. 3321 on reply card, p. 119

Plenty of flexibility

Red birch kitchen cabinets are modestly priced and provide unlimited design arrangements for any type of kitchen. Precision produced, constructed to allow for space adjustments. All units reversible. - Kitchen Kompact, Inc., Booth Nos. 999-900.

Circle No. 3320 on reply card, p. 119

Filter is coated

Ductless hood introduces a rechargeable coated filter. Adhesive coating absorbs odors and particles better than charcoal and does not release them. Recharged with a spray, lasts months. - Berns Air King Corp., Booth Nos. 991-987.

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Built-in double ovens have contemporary styled control panel. New flame control allows lower temperatures to be maintained for long periods, usable in fast thawing of frozen foods. —Tappan Co., Booth Nos. 606-608.
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Range surface builds in
Hotpoint's newest De Luxe 30-inch stack-on has brushed chrome cooking surface with four burners. "Super-Matic" unit makes cooking automatic. Fits, without cutouts, over standard wood or metal base cabinet. —Hotpoint, Booth Nos. 113-119.
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Booth for any kitchen
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Cabinets finished in fruitwood
This manufacturer will feature a new and complete line of kitchen cabinets, designed in simple lines to match traditional or modern decor. Cabinets are of white birch in fruitwood traditional finishes. —Henry M. Case Press, Booth No. 1200.
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Cabinets hit ceiling
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Stores all dry foods
Kitchen storage cabinet has 49 cu. ft. of storage space for dry foods. Has one permanent and 11 adjustable shelves, three center shelves that tip forward for canned goods, drawers with ventilated sides. —Kitchen Maid Corp., Booth Nos. 172-173.
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Fits like a built-in

Free-standing 30" and 40" electric ranges are compatible in size with base cabinets. Fit flush to wall and blend with countertops. Looks built-in. Features include tilt-up tops, lift-off oven doors. —Philco Corp., Booth No. 37-38.

Sound sealed in

Three new models in the garbage disposal line are engineered for top grinding efficiency and quiet performance. "DispoMaster" has extra large cutter blades, stainless steel grinding sleeves. —Havill Corp., Booth No. 807.

Burner prevents scorching

New flame set burner control produces right size flame for the pan, prevents scorching in nonaluminum cooking utensils. A combination gas cock and thermostat responds to temperature of food. —Robertshaw-Fulton Controls, Booth No. 557.

Separates work areas

Spanish kitchen is castle-sized and separated into cooking-serving; dining-planning-tableware storage; preparation, laundry and storage. All storage units are hardwood. —Mutschler Bros. Co., Booth Nos. 575, 583-585, 600-601.

Cabinets sit off the floor, mix with base units

New line of off-the-floor cabinets by Whitehall can be used for a complete kitchen layout. Can also be used to integrate with other regular base units. Units come in 12 good looking natural wood finishes on maple and oak. Construction is all hardwood with warp-proof doors, nylon-bearing drawer slides and magnetic door catches. Cabinet doors can be standard lip type, French provincial, or vertical scored colonial. —Whitehall Cabinets Inc., Booth Nos. 168-169.

Top is "terraced"

Split-level terraced top on this electric range gives it a built-in look. Requires only 250-V connection; eliminates costly installation. Controls on side panel. Oven doors to match kitchen decor. —Westinghouse Corp., Booth Nos. 749-750, 761-763.

Has three cycles

Dishwasher has three cycles. The “rinse and hold” ends small, frequent washings. And the “utility and utensil” cycle practically eliminates scraping. Undercounter built-in or freestanding. —KitchenAid, Hobart Mig. Co., Booth Nos. 787-788.

Vents cooking center

With a cooking-center in mind these venting hoods are designed for built-in barbeque and broiler units, pull-out ranges. All have built-in exhaust blowers of suitable capacity. —Front-A-Hood Co., Booth Nos. 967-968.

NEW KITCHENS ON PAGE 229
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Baths now have more space, more

Tract sewage plant is set up for expansion
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**Water softener is appliance-styled**

New water softener has appliance-styled white cabinet, is trimmed in gold and chrome. Unit has no external valves or piping. Softener is designed to blend with other appliances in kitchen or utility room. Requires adding of salt to 250 lb. dry salt storage chamber twice a year. —Bruster Corp., Booth No. 1112.

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**Lavatory faucet dials from hot to cold**

Lavatory faucet dials desired temperature, turns on by pushing out, off by pushing in. Faucet movement is completely sealed, self-lubricating replaceable cartridge which can be changed in less than three minutes. Unit is guaranteed for one year. —Moen Faucet, Div. Standard Screw Co., Booth No. 242.

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**Does triple job**


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**Made of fiber glass**

Fiber glass laundry tray has rustproof white enameled cabinet. Unit features hinged door with compression catch, storage shelf, ventilating louvers. Overflow tube is brass polished chrome. In four colors. —The Selfridge Co., Booth No. 985.

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**Comes in residential, commercial models**

"Sahara" medicine cabinet comes in two models. Hotel, motel type has facial tissue dispenser, used razor drop. Residential model features no-drip plastic-enclosed tooth brush holder and 8" shelf. Cabinet is surface-mounted comes with top light or unlighted. Sizes range from 20"x34" to 50"x38". Manufacturer's line includes "Belaire" series with three-way vanity mirror. Also "Celeste" with built-in electric clock and "Duchess" with twin-end compartments, night light and swing-out soap holder. —Adams Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 994-995.

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**Mounts on wall**

Model 924 boiler for hydronic home heating is wall mounted. Can be installed in basement, utility room or garage. Boiler is AGA rated at 120,000 btu. Steel ribbon-type burner produces quiet flame.—Ascot Gas Heaters, Booth Nos. 852-859.

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**Purifies by aeration**

Factory-built cylindrical steel sewage plant uses aeration process for purification. Unit installs above or below ground, adjacent to or away from buildings. Plant contains comminutor, aeration tank.—Chicago Pump Co., Booth Nos. 763-766.

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Combines latest demands

One-piece steel cabinet combines latest requirements desired in bathroom vanities. Installs without tools with 8” hanging slots on mirror. Sliding glass doors have small checked design that hides content.—Grote Mfg. Co., Booth No. 151.

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Add second bathroom

A complete bathroom can be installed by utilizing this precast shower floor or the “packaged” shower cabinet. The economical way to add a second bathroom to increase value of one-bathroom house.—Fiat Metal Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 474-475.

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Mixer saves water

Latest advance in single-handled mixing faucets is kitchen faucet which prevents pre-mixing, saves water. Can also be set to turn off automatically at any water temperature. Removable cartridge.—Gerber Plumbing Fixtures Corp., Booth Nos. 120-121.

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Trap installs quickly


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Fits smaller place

Softener part of this water softener fits into brine tank, making a compact single unit. High-capacity, triple-purpose resin allows use of smaller softener. Only one moving part.—Modern Water Equipment Co., Booth No. 1179.

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Function plus elegance

China combination lavatory and cabinet features new “clean line” design by Dave Chapman. Lava-tory has knee and space beneath, wide flat surfaces which drain toward bowl. Cabinet is dark or blonde.—Eljer, Booth No. 616.

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These 540’ recess and 5’ corner contour bathtubs are featured in new line. Free standing and drop-in lavatories. off-thefloor toilets. Complete bathroom settings to help your planning.—American Standard, Booth Nos. 719-744.

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Won’t chip, discolor
Nickel-stainless steel lavatory will not chip, rust, or discolor. Harmonizes in style with modern bath-room design. This 18”-bowl has recessed ledge, and safer, sanitary rim. Installs easily into all types counters and materials.—Lum, Inc., Booth Nos. 962-963.

Circle No. 156 on reply card, p. 119

Bathroom has divider
Bath fixture of vitreous china include four new close models, and three lavatory bowls. One bathroom plan features wall divider between closet and lavatory—Luminate Industries, Inc., Booth Nos. 964-967.

Circle No. 157 on reply card, p. 119

Lighting adds glamour
Two-way diffused lighting from top of this wall vanity provides glamour for bath. Cabinet has three full shelves, built-in outlet, sliding doors. In 20”, 24”, and 44” widths. White, pink, blue, green, beige.—Loom, Inc., Booth Nos. 175-176.

Circle No. 158 on reply card, p. 119

Sink is angled for corners
Self-rimming has been added to this double-bowl angled corner sink. It’s more convenient to use, eliminates hard-to-clean ledges. Fits corner at right angles, is 35¾” long, 22” front to back.—Jensen Thoren Corp., Booth No. 902.

Circle No. 159 on reply card, p. 119

Suits any bathroom
Complete “Clearflow” bathroom priced for tract builders. Has clean line design to suit any decor. Comes in choice of six colors. Consists of toilet, with silent flushing action, lavatory and end-outlet tub.—Chicago Pottery Co., Booth No. 419.

Circle No. 160 on reply card, p. 119

Softener styled as appliance
The “Princess” water softener is appliance-styled with a colored porcelain cabinet. Compact shape (just 12” in width) is designed for kitchen or utility room installation.—The Lindsay Co., Booth No. 112.

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Custom-made for bath
Carved mirrors are the feature of custom-made bathroom cabinets. Have lights and shelves also designed for the discriminating owner! On the “Concealite” cabinet the valance lights are out of sight when turned off.—A. Marchard, Inc., Booth No. 931.

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Designed for schools
A combination round drinking fountain and deep sink bowl, designed for schoolroom, can also be installed in recreation or other convenient locations in home. Nickel-bearing stainless steel unit is 44” x 16”.—Elkay Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 594-597.

Circle No. 163 on reply card, p. 119

Surfaced with laminate
Single and double bathroom vanities are completely surfaced with stainproof plastic laminates. Have cosmetic drawers, utility cabinets, sliding mirror doors.—Lino Products, Inc., Booth No. 1201.

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More baths, p. 230
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Circle No. 165 on reply card, p. 119

New styles help you add

Garage becomes summer room with sliding screens

By-passing screen installs in front of overhead garage door, turns space into summer family room. Requires no alteration of existing opening, removes easily for winter storage. Construction is rolled aluminum frames covered with fiber glass screening.—Raynor Mfg. Co., Booth No. 604.

Circle No. 166 on reply card, p. 119

Slider track set eliminates wedging, chattering

Sliding door hardware set features no-jump aluminum track with nylon wheel track. Eliminates wedging, chattering, dirt obstruction. Steel hangers, nylon floor guide are adjustable. Comes with anodized or nonanodized track, with or without fascia.—National Lock Co., Booth Nos. 98-99.

Circle No. 167 on reply card, p. 119
extra space, brighten rooms

Steal garage door takes any exterior finish
Double garage door called the “Detroiter” is made of banded and zinc-electroplated steel. It permits completion of job with any color of exterior paint. Door opens easily, has pinch-proof feature. Units have anti-sway device, climate-proof weather seal, safety-lock tracks, adjustable track hangers. Installation is easy, can be done by one man. Manufacturer offers five-year warranty on material and workmanship.—Berry Door Corp., Booth Nos. 353-355, 783-785

Cirele No. 170 on reply card, p. 119

Locks for narrow stiles.
Locks and hardware are designed specifically for narrow-stile glass, aluminum, architectural steel doors. Includes locks, door closers, panic exit devices, other hardware. Also offered are door holders, bumpers, silencers.—Yale & Towne, Booth Nos. 467-468.

Cirele No. 173, on reply card, p. 119

Sliding glass window wall has reinforced frame
Sliding glass door for window wall is reinforced with steel T-section. Frame is wood, fits into all interior, exterior decor. Circle No. 168 on reply card, p. 119

Unit has wool-pile weatherstripping, stainless steel track, self-closing screens and solid bronze hardware. Glazing options available are 3/8" plate, 3/4" or 1" insulating glass.—Rolscreen Co., Booth Nos. 419-420.

Cirele No. J69 on reply card, p. 119

Frame used with drywall
Metal door frame is designed for use with drywall. Goes on finished wall in less than 10 minutes. Frame is reinforced for hinge attachment with machine screws, comes with universal strike plate, rubber door slammers.—Kewanee, Booth Nos. 413-414.

Cirele No. 169 on reply card, p. 119

Doors in two glazes
Stock-size aluminum sliding glass doors come in single- or double-3/8" insulating glass models. Units are available with two, three and four panels. Doors roll on nylon sheaves, have wool-pile weatherstripping.—Aradale Metal Products, Booth No. 831.

Cirele No. 172 on reply card, p. 119

Has honeycomb grill
New screen door adds to exterior decor, has honeycomb grill over screening. Construction is aluminum with baked enamel finish and 1½ x 2½" frame. Goes with traditional or modern design. Comes pre-hung.—American Screen Products Co., Booth No. 187.

Cirele No. 173 on reply card, p. 119
This folding door won’t creep closed

New “Tropix-Fold” door is made of full-grained Philippine mahogany and nylon-reinforced vinyl weave. Moves effortlessly on nylon glides which will not creep into a closed position. Panel caps insure door’s even folding. Exclusive matching finish.

Circle No. 175 on reply card, p. 119

Covered in vinyl

Quality vinyl fabric has been added to “Modernfold’s” folding doors, a decorative innovation for the low-cost home field. Fabric has back-coating to lock out moisture, give it stability, improve drape.

— New Castle Products, Booth Nos. 941-942.

Circle No. 183 on reply card, p. 119

Surfaces won’t scuff

Door surfaces made of high-density composition are resistant to scuffs, scratches and stains; guaranteed against fading. “Laminex” door costs less than door finished on the job. — Plywood Products Co., Inc., Booth Nos. 911-912.

Circle No. 184 on reply card, p. 119

Doesn’t block light

Glass that can’t be seen through, but lets light in, now comes in a selection of 26 patterns both rolled and wired. Shown here is the “Waffle” pattern with a ribbed cross-section surface. — Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., Booth Nos. 367-368.

Circle No. 177 on reply card, p. 119

Reduces friction

Power sash balance has been designed to obtain uniform lifting power through length of sash. Used with stock frames and sash, adjusts to greater sash width range for each sash height. — Grand Rapids Hardware Co., Booth No. 282.

Circle No. 180 on reply card, p. 119

Simplifies alignment

Easy action and elimination of alignment problems are main features of this drawer slide. Designed for fast installation in low-cost construction; employs Mono Rail construction. All parts of steel. — Jax Hardware Corp., Booth Nos. 124-125.

Circle No. 185 on reply card, p. 119

Hardware makes a room divider of any width

New line of folding-door hardware is designed to extend room dividers as widely as desired. Will carry as many as 200 doors, or as few as two. Main feature is reduction of time and effort required to install the divider. Other features include exclusive automatic jamb bracket which closes doors tightly without spring or rubber bumpers; top-mounted “snap-on” hangers which have four nylon wheels that glide smoothly and silently. Called Series 1300. — Kemustrack Corp., Booth No. 766.

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Threshold adjusts

One-unit door bottom combines door hook, sweep bar, drip cap. Available for all types of interlocking thresholds, and adjustable for unevenness in floor. Provides effective weatherstripping. — Sage Weatherstrip and Calking Corp., Booth No. 183.

Circle No. 183 on reply card, p. 119

Jams already mounted

Prefab wardrobe header has furnished mounted head jams. Used with dado side jams, trims out like swinging door. Fits standard rough opening. Smooth operation with convex rails. — L. E. Johnson Products, Booth No. 840-841.

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Designed for economy
Removable windows in this economy line are made from clear, Western Ponderosa Pine. Fully set-up unit is equipped with Zeger “take-out” for efficient handling, operation and weatherstripping. — Morgan Booth No. 161
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Sliders take any glass
Sliding doors come in nine standard sizes with three different frame conditions. Can be glazed with heavy sheet or insulating glass. Adjustable ball-bearing rollers. Aluminum finish. — Cupples Products Corp., Booth No. 879-880.
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Window won’t sweat
“Kota” window design has a combination of wood, aluminum, plastic and glass to assure proper insulation. Problem of sweating is eliminated. Incorporates two primary windows in the frame. — Kota Products, Booth No. 231, 239.
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Lockset aligns easily
Low-cost “2-line” residential lockset has improved T-cone aligning tube assembly. Normally found only in expensive locks. More resistant to torque. Also features fast three-step installation, preset screws. — Sargent & Co., Booth Nos. 54-55.
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Line is standardized
Aluminum sliding door line now has new hardware and handle designs in plastic, wood, aluminum. Screws have stronger framing. All sizes now take same size glass, screws. — Storm Aluminum Products Co., Booth Nos. 828-829.
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Tests for durability
Aluminum building products, including storm windows, sliding, railings, jalousie and screen doors are made of extensively tested materials. Surface is bonderized for paint, will not chip, resists corrosion. — Keystone Alloys Co., Booth No. 98-99.
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Rod takes extra carriers
Clothes rod of gold anodized aluminum fits any type closet, will take extra carriers that snap into track. In nine sizes. Package includes end brackets, center support screws. Carriers are black nylon. — Grant Pulley & Hardware, Booth No. 956.
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Screen doors nine
Distinctive designs are possible with these solid-core entry doors. Hardwood blocks and strips are applied to the face of the door in designs to fit every style of architecture. For custom and top-priced tract homes. — The Bellwood Co., Booth No. 427.
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Has fewer parts
Sliding door hardware for bi-folding doors has been designed with fewer parts for easier installation. Allows maximum opening, quiet operation. — Strato Track, Booth No. 956.
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Integral double-glassed sliding-door in “Patio-Rama” line. Has 1/8” glazing channels extruded into strong tubular framing; eliminates adapter formerly needed. Up to four-door, multi-track installations. — Daryl Industries, Booth Nos. 964-966.
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"New look" finishes give variety

Textured paint finish protects interior walls

New textured paint finish is applied directly on interior paneling using spray method. Finishes and primers are offered for use in prefabricating and component building, as well as in field applications. Paint comes in a variety of colors, has low sheen.—The Arco Co., Div. American-Marietta, Booth Nos. 68-69.

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Ceiling tile "clip strip" eliminates furring

Wood fiber ceiling tile goes on quickly with clip-strip that eliminates furring. Lightweight metal strip staples directly to ceiling joints. Tiles slide into place with no other fastening required. Maximum loss of headroom is less than 1". Strip comes in 4' lengths. National Gypsum Co., Booth No. 1007.

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Hardwood parquet goes down like tile

Goes inside and out
Quarry stone veneer applies over interior or exterior sidewall. Stone is genuine, ideal for all residential and commercial decors. Blocks are from four to eight inches high, lengths run from eight to twenty-four inches. —Shaftertown Corp., Booth No. 50-51. Circle No. J118 on reply card, p. 119

Vinyl sheet flooring is marble-ized
Sheet vinyl-composition flooring has marble-like finish and moisture-resistant backing. Material is suitable for below-grade installation as well as on- or above-grade floors. Veined pattern permits matching control. "Palatial" style comes in eight duos-colors, 6' wide.—Armstrong Cork Co., Booth Nos. 84-85, 105, 106. Circle No. J117 on reply card, p. 119

Add floor beauty
Ceiling tile panels feature small circular and triangular acoustical perforations, lend distinctive look to ceilings. Called "Stellar Fibertile," units are designed for residential or commercial use. Line includes floor tile.—Johns-Manville, Booth No. 785. Circle No. J121 on reply card, p. 119

Color-chip vinyl floor won't wear away
Vinyl asbestos floor tile has color chip styling that can't wear away. Chips distributed at every level of tile make flooring ideal for heavy traffic areas. Units measure 9" x 9" in three thicknesses—1/16", 1/16", 1/8". Designed for institutional, commercial, residential and industrial floors. Goes on concrete slab (above or below grade); on felt over wood subfloors. Flooring is easy to maintain, grease and alkali resistant.—Armco; Uvalde Rock Asphalt Co., Booth No. 907. Circle No. J123 on reply card, p. 119

Laminated plank flooring goes over slab
Laminated plank flooring can be laid directly over concrete slab. Can be used with or without radiant heat, using only adhesive. Planks are available in widths of 3", 4", 5", 6", and 7". Comes in approximate lengths of 2'6" to 7'6". Manufacturer's line includes prefinished laminated and solid block flooring. Laminates come in 1½" x 9" x 9" units and four grains. Solid blocks measure 5/16" x 12" x 12", come in five grains, including teak, walnut, oak.—Wood-Mosaic, Booth Nos. 462-463. Circle No. J120 on reply card, p. 119

Has baked-on finish
Solid wood floor tiles feature baked-on finish that eliminates polishing. Units are made of Appalachian hardwood, lay on like asphalt or vinyl tile. Tiles are beveled, grooved and put down in parquet style.—Tribal Flooring Co., Booth No. 921. Circle No. J122 on reply card, p. 119

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Floor takes wear
Assorted squares and rectangles give this unglazed ceramic floor tile a random pattern effect. Designed for interior or exterior application, tiles are cushioned- and fast proof. Tile comes in 24" sheets.—Stamford Corp., Booth No. 246.
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Noncombustible tile
This acoustic tile made of mineral fibers is non-combustible, highly efficient noise absorber. Each tile is uniquely finished in its own distinctive pattern, creates overall traver-
time effect.—Baldwin-Ehret-Hill, Inc., Booth No. 969.
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Ceramic tile facts
Standards, quality, manufacture of ceramic tile is shown at exposition. Will point up varieties of colors, patterns, textures, shapes and sizes available in domestic tile. Also mortars, adhesives, etc.—Tile Council of America, Booth Nos. 96-97.
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Make into cabinets
Flakeboard is a wood product surfaced with a thin overlay of polyester film. Can be made into cabinets, doors, table-tops, paneling. It's warp-resistant, holds screws well.—West Farms, Booth Nos. 974-975.
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Tile set in rubber
These 9" square tiles are composed of 1" x 1" ceramic units fused into a rubber grid. Gives floor the resilience of rubber and beauty of mosaic. Also costs less than regular tile, and is virtually permanent.—U.S. Ceramic Tile Co., Booth No. 10.
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New "marble" pattern
"Scribble" is a new tile pattern which appears to out-marble other marbled types. In both synthetic resin enamel and porcelain enamel on aluminum, with flat cap, bullnose cap and extended depth cap.—Viton Tile Corp., Booth No. 104.
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Compound has positive seal
New sealant and calking compound called Thorospan is designed for glass, metal, concrete, rubber and wood. Has synthetic rubber base, ideal for positive waterproofing. Comes in two grades.—Standard Dry Wall Products Inc., Booth No. 259.
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Covers all material
Decorative covering goes on most base materials including plywood, particle board, plaster, composition boards, metals. Surfacing sheet is impregnated kraft paper covered with melamine.—Panelyte, St. Regis Paper Co., Booth Nos. 35-37.
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Looks 3-dimensional
Three-dimensional sculptured ceramic tile is a new concept in decorative tiles for designer schemes. Here “Sphne” tile is used in a solid pattern to form the curved back wall of a free-standing fireplace.—Pomona Tile Mfg. Co., Booth No. 864.
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Comes pre-posted
New line of washable wall fabrics is preposted for easier hanging. “Wall-Tex” has decorating fabrics to match. Paste is activated by wetting back of fabric with sponge. In 27" width, 10" rolls.—Columbus Coated Fabrics Corp., Booth Nos. 122-123.
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Tile in three styles
Asphalt and vinyl-asbestos tile comes in three major types—“Matico”, "Hako", "Mufflite." Also offers cork and metallic patterns. Finishes include black, charcoal, red, brown, green, tan, others.—Mastic Tile Div., Rubberoid Co., Booth Nos. 40-41.
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Floors go darker
A dark finish for floors is new feature of this laminated oak block. Can also be combined with light shade for new design possibilities. Both are of 3-ply southern oak, in 1/4" thick 9" squares. F. L. Bruce Co., Booth Nos. 108-110.
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Add charm inexpensively
Wood-grain finish plateboard is designed for economical installation in bar, playroom, or den. Installs quickly with ordinary tools. Comes factory finished in five patterns, random, black, white, plain, perforated.—Abibiti Corp., Booth Nos. 897-898.
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Has contemporary look
Contemporary pattern of “Nu-Wood” acoustic tile is achieved with squares and rectangles in two-tone beige. Design does not repeat itself, gives flowing effect. All patterns of tile are flame-resistant.—Wood Conversion Co., Booth No. 472.
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Mosaics in oak
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No wonder builders featuring Gaffers & Sattler feel this way. They know from experience that the many new Mark 20 ovens and ranges have all the smart styling and modern convenience features home shoppers look for and buy. Examples? Here are just a few: range tops lift and lock for easy cleaning, top burner timer and Harper simmer burners. Ovens are expandable—to a big 20 inches wide. There are rotisseries, Roast-a-Matic and Broilavator. The Tele-tronic Signal Center makes women look again.

Gaffers & Sattler ovens and ranges are interchangeably sized in both gas and electric models for installation convenience with models for every price home—10 ovens and 8 surface units.

See your G&S Distributor listed in the adjoining column for more information on the complete line of Gaffers & Sattler “Better Value” appliances and the special builder service program for 1961.

Gaffers & Sattler
Visit booths 263-264 at the NAHB Show in Chicago
Ask the quality G&S distributor in your area for complete information.

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Distributorships in selected areas are available (see coupon).

Give your houses new sales appeal with the

Electronic Magic
of amazing new

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Electronic Range Hood

Add luxury to house
Carpeted houses are easy to sell, builders say. New carpet fabrics in decorator colors now come in 12' and 15' widths, with or without foam rubber backing. Provides luxury with low-cost installation.—Luxor Carpet, Booth No. 754.

Circle No. 1152 on reply card, p. 119

Water won't run off
One-piece ceramic molding for counters and drainboards keeps liquids from running off counter. Shaped like a V, it's installed in conventional cement mortar or mastic adhesives. In conventional colors.— Stylon Corp., Booth No. 319.

Circle No. 3153 on reply card, p. 119

Design fused in
"Showcase inlaid vinyl sheeting features a sparkling metallic "Veuropoint" decoration. Geometric figures are fused deep in a crushed marble design. Comes in white, gold; beige with copper.—Congoleum-Nairn, Booth Nos. 359-360.

Circle No. 1154 on reply card, p. 119

Laminate is patterned
Blending of a silver or gold overlay with a soft basic color is the feature of new Fextolite pattern. Called "Twilight," the plastic laminate comes in six basic colors, in standard sheet widths.—Gene-o! Electric Co., Booth Nos. 130-152.

Circle No. 3156 on reply card, p. 119

New laminate designs
Lifetime laminates for all vertical and horizontal surfaces are featured in the new, softer looking designs. Decorative patterns and woodgrains for every type interior.—Pioneer Plastics, Booth No. 228.

Circle No. 1157 on reply card, p. 119

The most fabulous appliance ever developed for kitchens, Airsweep is a potent new sales clincher!

Irresistible sales appeal! Airsweep gives home owners two astounding advantages (1) Traps smoke, cooking odors, pollen, and kills bacteria electronically. No filters to replace, no ozone bulbs. (2) Makes kitchen air healthier, zestful! Airsweep adds miracle negative ions to the air it purifies—which scientists find combats hay fever, asthma, colds, headaches, blood pressure, drowsiness, and fatigue. Also adds zest! A boon to housewives!

A money-saver, too! Saves cost of outside vents, ducts, special wiring. Saves cabinet space.

Gives flexibility to kitchen planning—locate range anywhere.

Easy installation. Mounts in minutes on wall or under cabinet with just four screws, connects to standard household current.

Airsweep is the newest of a complete line of 42 range hoods, 15 exhaust fans, by Progress. Distributors in every area.

Send data on Airsweep, the big news in range hoods, and the complete Progress line.

Send information on the complete line of Progress Range Hoods and Exhaust Fans plus name of nearby distributor to:

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January 1961
Concrete Masonry lets you create a fireside to match your mood and taste. The bright new faces of block available today can make your fireplace and adjacent walls a spectacular focal point in your home. With block you get the added plus of a building material at home inside, outside all around the house. Send 50¢ for your copy of "Smart Homes in Shadowal" containing plans of eight concrete masonry homes.

National Concrete Masonry Association
1015 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
Washington 7, D.C.
Gas-fired boiler is compact, does work of larger size

Gas-fired boiler has automatic controls, is compact. Yet it has capacity of larger sizes. It's designed for residential hot water heating with non-ferrous baseboard. Cast-iron boiler uses small amount of water. Provides quick heat response, making it unnecessary to maintain temperature.—Crane, Booth Nos. 256-259, 283-288.

Circle No. 1158 on reply card, p. 119

Compact units do a lot of work

Oil-fired furnace is built-in or flush-mounted

New oil-fired furnace installs as a built-in, or flush-mounted. Styling of unit offers greater variety in placement. Fuel consumption is reduced by use of heat exchangers. Blower unit is rubber mounted, assures quiet operation. Burner (above), fire box and wiring harness are factory-assembled. Furnaces measure 56" high, 29" deep.—Perfection Div., Hupp Corp., Booth No. 1177.

Circle No. 1163 on reply card, p. 119

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Circle No. 1158 on reply card, p. 119

Units are waterless

Remote condensing units use no water, come in three-, four-, five-ton sizes. Extra capacity blower insures quiet operation. Weather-proofed for outdoors. All units are shipped pre-assembled.—Mueller Climatrol, Booth Nos. 609, 610.

Circle No. 1159 on reply card, p. 119

Mount is flexible

Air conditioner has accordion-type mount, can set in windows up to 40" wide. "Ruler" series has a one-hp unit that measures less than a foot deep. Thermostat maintains room temperature. Filter removable.—Admiral Corp., Booth No. 188.

Circle No. 1160 on reply card, p. 119

Give efficient heat

Convection baseboard electric heating sections are available in both low and high density units. "Honeycomb" heat exchanger provides efficient heat transfer at lower surface temperatures.—Hunter Div., Robbins & Myers, Booth Nos. 708, 709.

Circle No. 1161 on reply card, p. 119

Sets up outside

Self-contained air conditioner is designed to set up outside, in basements or crawl spaces. Installs with forced air furnace or its own duct system. Capacities from 23,000 btu to 35,000 btu.—C. A. Olsen Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 38-39, 59-60.

Circle No. 1162 on reply card, p. 119

January 1961
Condensing units have new compressor
Condensing units with new compact compressor are less expensive to purchase and operate. Compressor is welded steel hermetic. Patented electrical control circuit eliminates its rapid cycling and manual resetting. Sound level of the condenser has been reduced by improved acoustic insulation and use of a larger low-speed fan. Available in models of 2, 3, 5 and 3 tons capacity. All three 441/2" x 221/4" x 291/4".

Carrier Air Conditioning Co., Booth Nos. 363-365.
Circle No. 1164 on reply card, p. 119

Heats instantly
Instant forced-air heating for the bathroom is promised by "Rangaire" flush mounted electric ceiling heater. Contemporary design harmonizes with modern decor. In aluminum or gold-anodized finish.—Roberts Mfg. Co., Booth No. 158
Circle No. 1165 on reply card, p. 119

Swallows up impurities
Same principle of air purification used in atomic submarines is applied in nursery, kitchen, den. "Rivalaire" has high-filtration, twin-pack air filters. Weighs 11 lbs.; needs no installation. Plugs in 110-120V outlet.—Rival Mfg. Co.
Circle No. 1167 on reply card, p. 119

Wired for ductwork
Vertical upflow furnace is factory assembled and wired for warm-air ductwork. Capacities: 34,100, 51,200 and 68,300 BTU/hr. Can be downrated for other capacities. Comes with one-phase, three-phase service. —Rheem Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 227-228
Circle No. 1166 on reply card, p. 119

Controls temperatures
Oil furnace and boiler for the home has 100% clean, instant combustion. Requires no chimney; standby loss is negligible. SelectTemp non-electric thermostat controls temperature in each room.—Iron Fireman Mfg. Co., Booth Nos. 21-22
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SOLID BRASS FRAME
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Thermo-Rite Mfg. Co., Akron 9, Ohio

American Builder
New heat pump comes in two separate units

Electro-Flo heat pump, based on the reversible heating-cooling cycle principle, installs only with remote condensing unit. Thus it requires minimum indoor space. Indoor section includes heating-cooling coil and blow-off-filter unit, for vertical, counterflow or horizontal installation. Outdoor section consists of compressor, propeller-type fan, and controls, all in tilt-back housing. Indoor section can be used with optional furnace.—Stewart Warner Corp., Booth Nos. 541-542.

Heats like the sun

Infra-Red radiant heater heats only the places you want heated. Aims like flashlight, doesn't lose heat passing through air. Requires less input than conventional systems.—Engelhard Hanovia, Booth No. 1140.

Install with forced air

Year-round home comfort in a single unit. Offered in this combination central heating and air conditioning system. For homes with forced air heating systems.—Delco Appliance Div., Booth Nos. 719-720.

Heater fits window


Ports heat room quickly

Two portable heaters feature instant ribbon heating elements, safety tip-over switch. Larger 15¾"-wide model heats any room in house; 10¾" model heats small areas quickly, has lithographed panel.—Fasco Industries, Inc., Booth Nos. 156-158.

Cuts heating costs

Heating in advance during "off-peak" hours is the way this electro-hydronic heating system saves electricity. Stored hot water, controlled by zone valves, is fed through radiation baseboard. —Edwards Engineering Corp., Booth Nos. 182-183.

Makes year-round system

An all-electric air-to-air hermetic heat pump completes forced air systems. Heat pump consists of outdoor unit with refrigerant piping, indoor unit with heating, cooling coil.—The Coleman Co., Booth Nos. 430-431.

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Remote Control in your garage doors...
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"I THINK ELECTRIC HEAT IS THE COMING THING," says George Wilson. "It's the most comfortable heat there is. And I ought to know. I have it in my own home. It costs less to install and it's simpler to schedule. My electrical contractor handles the whole job. And buyers like it when I tell them how cool they'll be in the summer, with so much insulation."
build in better value that sells my houses faster"

Builder George Wilson, of Wooddale, Illinois, tells how flameless electric house heating helps him offer the higher quality that moves his $18,500 homes faster

As George Wilson explains it, his prospects already know that electric house heating gives them the best possible value in terms of comfort, cleanliness and low maintenance.

In addition, builder Wilson saves many dollars on building with electric house heating. These dollars go into extra values that convert "lookers" into customers.

For example, Wilson's savings pay for an insulation job that far exceeds minimum code standards. This gives Wilson potent sales arguments in terms of lower electric bills and greater year-round comfort for his customers.

Another selling feature Wilson gains is the extra space in utility rooms which a bulky furnace would normally occupy.

As a builder, George Wilson finds that electric house heating is easy for him to schedule and follow up. His electrical contractor handles the heating installation along with his normal wiring job. Wilson feels that the amount of time and trouble this saves him is impossible to calculate in dollars.

George Wilson's experience shows why builders all over the country are swinging to electric house heating. To date, they've installed it in more than 850,000 homes in the U.S. So it's important for every profit-minded builder or developer to find out all he can about flameless electric house heating in his area.

For detailed information, call your local electric utility company soon.


SATISFIED HOMEOWNERS, like the George Spreads, vouch for the extra value electric house heating gives their home. "There's no dirt or dust," says Mrs. Spread. "And the fact that it's flameless means a lot to us."

"I COMPLETELY WRAP MY BUILDINGS beyond the minimum requirements," Wilson says. "But it pays off. I've only one home that didn't come within $10 of the heating estimate. And that was caused by a faulty thermostat."

With clean, comfortable Electric House Heating
LIVE BETTER ELECTRICALLY
Sponsored by Edison Electric Institute
Houses sell easier when they because buyers save on

Howard C. Reeves heads up a firm in Louisville, Kentucky that builds about 50 homes a year ranging in price from $15,000 to $18,000. He is past president (1959) of the Associated Home Builders of Louisville.

Here's what Mr. Reeves has to say about TWINDOW: "Our winter months in Kentucky point up the extra value of TWINDOW both to ourselves and to our buyers. The reduction of sweating and condensation through the use of TWINDOW is very obvious when compared to homes not having TWINDOW. Buyers save on heating and cooling bills—and they can forget about storm windows. We like such added selling features in our homes and our customers appreciate the added quality of TWINDOW Insulating Glass."

... the windowpane with insulation built in
feature TWINDOW® Insulating Glass heating and cooling bills

Tell your customer he can have all this comfort and convenience for not much more than he'd pay for single glazed windows with storm sash, and he's sold on TWINDOW. It helps close many a sale.

You can get TWINDOW Glass-Edge or Metal-Edge in all popular sizes for a wide variety of window styles. Our free TWINDOW booklet gives you the complete story. Write to Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, Room 0198, 632 Fort Duquesne Blvd., Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania.
The center ceiling panel is bowed slightly and slipped into the ends of the "Steelfast" member.
New "Steelfast" dry wall system helps cut costs and construction time

Research and development in home building have done it again—found still another way to help you beat down rising construction costs! Working closely with the National Association of Home Builders Research Institute, as well as individual home builders, U. S. Steel research men have helped in developing an advanced dry wall installation system called "Steelfast." Field tests have proved that "Steelfast" is capable of cutting more than two days from a builder's construction schedule. It eliminates the backing lumber and other materials used in conventional installation . . . plus six steps in the finishing process, including the application of corner tape and "mud." Never again will you lose time waiting for succeeding coats of "mud" to dry!

The "Steelfast" system uses cold-formed strip steel members at all corner and ceiling joints. They are formed to receive dry wall sheets along their edges and to hold them secure. "Steelfast" insures perfect corners automatically, regardless of framing conditions, because it keeps corner lines plumb and ceiling lines level.

The speedy "Steelfast" system will help you sell better homes at a lower cost to you and your customers. This is what U. S. Steel's research men are constantly striving for; and we promise you more significant developments in the months ahead. Write to us today for details on the new, cost-cutting "Steelfast" dry wall system. United States Steel Corporation, Room 6191, 525 William Penn Place, Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

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For better housing at a lower cost.
Arvin Electric Invisa-Panels sell far easier. Here's why:

(Shown as Featured Recently in a Better Homes & Gardens Idea Home)

Greatest Freedom in Room Planning!
No matter what the floor plan or decor, there's always room for Arvin Ceiling Heat Panels because they do not use a single inch of wall or floor space! Arvin Electric Heat Panels go up anywhere, can always be placed where greatest heat loss occurs. Need no upkeep, completely silent. They blend-in beautifully, painted to match any ceiling. U. L. listed.

Slimmest Design—1½" thin, 4½" low!
Arvin Electric Invisa-Baseboard Heat puts the most sellable dimensions of all baseboard units to work for you. The neatest, slimmest, thinnest units available: only 1½" thin and 4½" low! The eye-appealing styling with baked-on beige enamel finish blends with any room decor. High or low wattage, various lengths. Matching accessories.

Arvin Electric Invisa-Baseboard Heat

A complete line—seven fan-forced radiant models, from 3413 to 13,652 BTU capacities. Instant-heating elements. Each model features new-design rough-in box, quick-fastening clamps for new or old construction.

See Arvin Electric Heat at These Shows:
NAHB: Booths 850-851—Chicago McCormick Pl.
Int'l H&AC: Booths N230 & N232—Chicago

Arvin Built-In Wall Heaters

A leading name in electric heat products for 28 years.

Heating kit aids sales

Hydronic heating sales promotion kit is compiled to help you sell homes. Designed to make salesmen "heating experts," it includes 60-page booklet, stickers, signs. Home training session—Better Heating-Cooling Council, Booth Nos. 825-826.

Central a/c at low cost

Whole-house air conditioning for moderate priced homes has a remote conditioner. "Flex Hermetic" unit of 22,000 btu is installed through the wall, requires no foundation. Has 18" tubing for evaporator coil.—Fedders Corp., Booth Nos. 155-156.

Sealed-in baseboard heat

Baseboard heating system combines electricity and hot water in a self-contained, sealed-in circulating unit. No plumbing system, no filling or maintenance. No fuel storage. Zone control.—International Oil Burner, Booth No. 247.

Heats average home


Cleans air

"Electo-air" cleaners are offered in full line of sizes from portable, one room units to large commercial types. Provide electronic drawing of dust, pollen, smoke, contaminants, from room through the unit.—Electro-air Cleaner Co., Booth No. 1176.
For many years, and especially in today’s market, the fine-furniture craftsmanship, beauty of design and finish of Yorktowne Kitchens have proved to be powerful incentives in the selling of thousands of homes. Now, in 1961, Yorktowne gives you even greater advantages with its complete lines . . . covering your entire price range and offering a range of finishes. In addition, Yorktowne Kitchens not only are unconditionally guaranteed, but are now backed by the Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval. For kitchens with more proved house-selling incentives, be sure to see the full Yorktowne line for ’61. Illustrated folders and detailed specifications sheets await your inquiries. Write today.
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30" MODEL RF37-B
2 OTHER MODELS ALSO AVAILABLE

SLIDES IN LIKE A DRAWER!

ELECTRIC RANGES • REFRIGERATORS • AUTOMATIC WASHERS • CLOTHES DRYERS • CUSTOMLINE® • DISHWASHERS
Initial cost is low because no side panels are needed. Installation cost is low because this single compact unit slides in like a drawer... with just one electrical connection. And Town and Country Ranges give you deluxe selling features like...

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- Removable Window Door—detaches for easy, reach-in oven cleaning.
- Seven Beautiful Finishes—complete compatibility with any color scheme.

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...And Hotpoint Offers the Most Complete Line of Built-Ins in America! The right model, the right price for every home from $10,000 to $100,000.

No matter what kind of homes you're building, Hotpoint has a quality built-in range and surface unit that will fit your kitchens and your cost requirements. Specify Hotpoint... no other manufacturer offers you so wide a choice.
During the 55-year period between 1905 and 1960, each of the 650 consecutive back-cover ads in American Builder has been for National Manufacturing Co., Sterling, Ill.

Is this the all-advertising

National Manufacturing Company began placing back cover ads in American Builder in 1905. To this day, they have never stopped.

For fifty-five years, month after month—through wars, depressions, recessions, and changing building markets—National’s advertising has continued without break. More than 650 consecutive ads in all.

In a letter the other day, Mr. R. D. Arnold, National’s president, revealed the reason behind such a steadfast advertising program. He points to “the assistance given by American Builder
time record for continuous in one publication?

in developing our firm from a plant consisting of two small buildings and a very few employees— to the present large, modern plant with several hundred workers.

“Our prospects for continued growth were never better,” Mr. Arnold goes on to say, “…and we would like to look, as in the past, to the American Builder to help us accomplish these goals.”

The building industry has undergone many a change since 1905. But its most effective advertising medium continues to be that chosen so consistently by National.

American Builder delivers these four major advantages to advertisers:
- Mass exposure to builders (75,459—the hard core of the market)
- Exposure to active builders (who put up 999,071 of America’s 1,250,000 homes last year)
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- An authoritative medium where your message gets read, weighed and acted upon.

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NOW... CUT PLYWOOD FORM COSTS WITH THOMPSON'S WATER SEAL

Note these cost-saving features:

- Prevents absorption of water in concrete forms. Forms last longer.
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- Thompson's Water Seal permits eight or more pours per plywood form (min. 4 pours per side).
- Eliminates form damage during stripping. Forms can't stick. Won't soften wood, prevents deflection.
- Easy to apply by brushing, dipping or spraying.

Thompson's Water Seal is deep penetrating, colorless, leaves no residue, won't stain concrete; surface is dust-free, ready for painting.

Available in 5 and 55 gallon drums from suppliers to the construction industry. See catalog in Sweets Architectural file and Light Construction file.

PRODUCT PREVIEW

Build into wall
Electro heaters build into wall, come in radiant or fan-forced models. Automatic thermostat keeps room at pre-set temperature. Unit clamps in, eliminates nails and screws. Dimensions: 17x6" x 10½" x 5¾"; 1" flange.—American-Standard, Booth Nos. 719-747.

CIRCLE NO. 1179 ON REPLY CARD, P. 122

VENTS BURNED GASES OUTSIDE
Thru-the-wall vented gas heaters has sealed combustion chamber. Room air stays fresh. Gas inlet, air intake and vent unit are sealed into chamber; all burned gases are expelled outside. Install on any outside wall, at any height. Three models—Chattanooga Royal Co.

CIRCLE NO. 1180 ON REPLY CARD, P. 122

Heats room quickly
Wall-insert gas heater for the bathroom supplies 100% convected heat in coldest weather. Installs in new or remodeling with 2x4's on each side of wall studs. Heater front is finished in chrome.—Peerless Mfg. Div., Dover Corp, Booth Nos. 871-876.

CIRCLE NO. 1181 ON REPLY CARD, P. 122

AMERICAN BUILDER
CRANE HAS PLUMBING TO FLATTER THEM ALL, INCREASE THEIR WORTH AND ADD TO YOUR PROFIT

People who think Crane plumbing is costly are behind the times. Fact is, Crane—fine as it is—comes in every price range.

Because it does, there isn’t a plumbing installation that can’t have Crane. When you think of the extra value the Crane name adds, there’s all the more reason to specify it.

It’s a name that’ll bring you business and profits. Crane is luxury—but not costly. Your Crane plumbing contractor will prove it—down to the penny. See him.

NAHB Exposition Stop in and see us—Booths 256-259. See the new “Sunnydec” double-bowl sink, a new “Westmont” lavatory; the brand-new “Fermont” lavatory; Crestmont trim; Dial-ese faucets; Starlite accessories plus countless other plumbing, heating and air conditioning products that offer extra value for home owners and builders.
IN CHICAGO...

Al Rubin, leading masonry contractor, gets maximum crack resistance with

KEYWALL
galvanized masonry reinforcement

"You just can't beat Keywall," says Al Rubin, president of Arco Construction Company, Chicago, Illinois. "It's the easiest-to-handle joint reinforcement I know... my men really like to work with it. And I get the results I want. That's why I always urge the use of Keywall wherever joint reinforcement is specified."

By using Keywall masonry reinforcement on his jobs, Rubin gets stronger walls with greater crack resistance. This is one of the reasons he's recognized for quality masonry by leading Chicago architects and builders.

Rubin's men prefer Keywall. They use it right. Installation details, such as reinforcing corners so they are stronger than the wall itself... lapping joints in straight walls to assure continuous reinforcement... getting full embedment of reinforcement, even when lapping, without increasing thickness of masonry joints... are easily done with Keywall. These superior features, vital in the effectiveness of any reinforcement, make walls reinforced with Keywall stronger and more crack resistant at lower cost.

Keywall comes in easy-to-handle 200-foot rolls, galvanized for rust-free storage. Made for the following wall thicknesses: 4", 6", 8", 10" and 12".

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Program

* Fresh, sales-oriented merchandising for home builders  
* Merchandising competition offering 7 Regional Awards and 1 fabulous National Award  
* Free concrete
READ THESE QUICK FACTS ABOUT THE PROGRAM!

For the progressive, promotion-minded builder, here is the chance to tie in your own current promotion with a major nationwide program developed expressly to help you sell more homes. Program is keyed directly to the National Association of Home Builders’ own major national promotional effort: The 1961 National Home Week activities and “Parade of Homes” showings in communities across the country.

Every element is carefully planned to give maximum support at the local level to local participation by local builders.

The program will bring more attention, more traffic, more customers to your homes.

HOW YOU’LL BENEFIT BY PARTICIPATING...

1. Receive free concrete masonry and ready-mixed concrete required for the construction of your model Horizon Home.
2. Be provided with a complete kit of effective sales and promotional materials for use in publicizing and merchandising the program locally—from the planning stages through to the model home showing during National Home Week, 1961.
3. Be able to select and work closely with the most creative architectural talent in your area, in the designing of exciting, imaginative concrete homes.
4. Qualify for entry in the HORIZON HOMES NATIONAL COMPETITION. A chance to win a fabulous national award!

SIMPLE, BASIC REQUIREMENTS

- Builder must be a member of his local NAHB affiliate.
- Builder must be an accepted entrant in his local NAHB National Home Week activities.
- Builder must agree to meet specific concrete usage requirements in the design and construction of his model home.
- Sale price of the model home (excluding land and furnishings) is not to exceed a total of $20,000.
- Builder must agree to abide by rules of Horizon Homes Program.

TIMETABLE

JANUARY, 1961... Registration in Concrete Industries Horizon Homes Program.
SEPTEMBER, 1961... Homes to be completed, furnished and ready for showing during National Home Week.
NOVEMBER, 1961... Builder Merchandising Award winners to be selected.
DECEMBER, 1961... Announcement of winners during NAHB national convention.

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More prefab plans and building

Low-cost home is offered in five styles

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Laminated wood arch dramatizes commercial building

Entrance to this medical-dental clinic in Pasco, Wash., is a 61° x 8° laminated wood arch. Sections measure 7"x19½", are laminated with waterproof phenol resorcinol glue. Span was not designed for structural purposes, but to serve as a dramatic entrance for commercial building. Lamination process permits many designs.—Rilco Laminated Products Div., Booth Nos. 303-307.

"extras" offered for '61 market

Clock is compact
Built-in wall clock measures 6" in diameter. Movement is compact, can fit into small outlet box. Cuts down on extensive remodeling. Comes in black, brass with silvered dial.—R & H Guarantee Products, Booth No. 994.

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House from Canada
Two-story house shows latest techniques used in Canadian homebuilding. Featured are many new construction methods. House was designed by Canadian Exhibition Commission.—Canadian Dept. of Trade & Commerce, Booth No. 473.

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Columns add style
Ornamental iron columns add style to home design. Called 25 flat-28 corner, 35 flat-36 corner, units are processed for strength and long life. Columns adjust 6" to 8", 4" to 8", respectively, load for flat is 2,000 lbs.—Versa Products Co., Booth No. 901.

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Framed in walnut
Clock has oil-finished walnut hoop framing face of clear plexiglas. Numerals are oversized and screen-printed in three colors. Movement is electric, body is 13" in diameter. Clock retails at $40.—Howard Miller Clock Co., Booth No. 871.

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Go into corner
Open-end "Harthside" fireplace fits into corner, requires no mortar or masonry for installation. For floor-level or raised hearth, has left or right corner opening. Firebox is ceramic, dome is steel-alloy.—Majestic Co., Booth Nos. 267-268, 849.

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New style prefabs
Two new manufactured homes are introduced for 1961. The Imperial is a 900-sq. ft. ranch type. The Bismark is a 1,500-sq. ft. English basement house. Delivered on crane truck with operator.—Mid-America Homes, Inc., Booth No. 932.

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Tile pool prefabbed
Ceramic tile pool is prefabricated for lower cost installation. Makes possible an all-ceramic pool for under $3,500. Tile is embedded in fiber glass. Requires minimum time to install.—Colonial Pool Corp., Booth No. 711.

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Square speeds up figuring
Here's a newly developed framing square designed by an experienced carpenter. Of high quality steel, it's ground accurately, slots with numbered pitches, has scale reading from "on center" line.—L. F. Gargiulo, Booth No. 957.

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Circle No. J391 on reply card, p. 119

$14,000 to $30,000
Celebrity Series features three basic prefab models from 1,000 sq. ft. to 1,982 sq. ft. (shown here). These three-bedroom, two-bath plans are designed for brick, native stone or cedar.—Thuro Bill Products, Inc., Booth No. 947.

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Clean up quietly
Central vacuum system has its blow action exhaust and motor outside. Doesn't recirculate air and dust. Quiet operation does not interfere with telephone. hi-fi. System has fewer parts.—Central Vacuum Corp., Booth No. 1194.

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Serviceable as metal
"DeTrin" acetal resin, a new synthetic material, is a highly crystalline, stable form of polymethylene formaldehyde. Has metal-like mechanical properties, such as strength and rigidity.—Du Pont Engineering Materials, Booth Nos. 211-212.

Circle No. J397 on reply card, p. 119

Sell with brochures
Merchandising program called "Brochure Power" features personalized full-color brochures created by "Look" for tie-in builder. Designed to stress quality when buyer cannot see model.—Look Magazine, Booth No. 167.

Circle No. J196 on reply card, p. 119

Does heavier work
Senior beam clamp is designed for heavy-duty installations of conduit to beamwork. Has one-piece channel construction for added strength, and cup-tip screw that is hexagon headed and slotted. Three tape for greater versatility.—Paine Co.

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Builder's home contest
"What Happens When a Builder Wins Best Home For The Money Award" is subject of visual presentation. Selections made on basis of working drawings, specs and materials lists.—American Home Magazine, Booth Nos. 918-919.
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Each one different
Factoria-programmed wood cabinets help you avoid look-alike kitchens. Large variety of woods, finishes, and door designs offers maximum flexibility, even with same floor plan.—Texoro Cabinet Corp., Booth No. 847.

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Actually built in
"Town Home 24" gas range top is actually built in, not just fitted flush. Top is recessed below counter with chrome frame that fits counter tightly. Fits into 24" space, requires no separate base cabinet.—Tennessee Stone, Booth No. 354.

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Base unit is modular
New modular style cabinet has base unit with two drawers and three sliding trays behind door. In 12", 18" and 24" sizes, with Formica top, double bowl sink and trim.—Toledo Desk & Fixture Co., Booth Nos. 514-516, 579-580.

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Combination materials cut

Shoathing, siding go up in one operation

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Red cedar shake siding is lightweight

Red cedar shake shingles are lightweight and easy to handle. All units carry “Certigroove” label. Siding shingles come in variety of ways: electronically glued, food to shingle underside or backer board. Some include shake nails. In natural finish, primed or colored.—Red Cedar Shingle Bureau, Booth Nos. 270-277.

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AMERICAN BUILDER
Straightness is main quality of new studding

New studding produced under auspices of Western Pine Association claims to be world’s straightest. Finger-spliced members are being used for studs, headers, trimmers, plates, other items on FHA-insured projects. All are produced under association’s quality control program. Key ingredient is wood-welding glues used in seasoned wood. Tests point up strength as well as straightness as factors in use.

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Film stops moisture

"Visqueen" polyethylene film gives better vapor barrier protection. Strong and lightweight, it also provides dust and draft shield. Complete application will increase home's hidden value. — Fishing Co., Div. Union Carbide, Booth 729.

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**Saw eases wood-working**

Ten-inch radial arm saw cuts 3 1/2” deep. Designed for small builders and cabinet makers. Features totally enclosed motor, new wedge-shaped arm and safety guard. Operates on 120-240v, delivers 3 hp.—Del-Walt, Inc., Booth No. 177.
Circle No. 1270 on reply card, p. 119

**Reverses in all speeds**

Optional direction reverser is offered with “1100” 40-hp crawler. Wet clutch makes it possible to match all forward speeds with reverse speeds from 3 to 6.5 mph. Has diesel or gasoline engine.—John Deere
Circle No. 1268 on reply card, p. 119

**Aligns, drives nails**

Single-blow automatic nailing gun feeds nails dumped into hopper. It aligns them, point-first, through flexible hose. Operator presses tool to surface, gun drives the nail. Cannot jam.—United Shoe Machinery Corp., Booth No. 208.
Circle No. 1269 on reply card, p. 119

**Nail with air power**

Air-operated nailing machine drives T-nails at rate of 160 per minute. Model ARN-3B suitable for attaching plywood roof sheathing, sub flooring, or metal gussets. Drives nails up to 2”. Tripples hand speed.—Power-Line Sales, Inc., Booth No. 837.
Circle No. 1271 on reply card, p. 119

**Like a power hammer**

Portable impact drill is heavy-duty electric drill and power hammer in one. Drills holes up to 4” in diameter in concrete, tile, masonry. Has disintegrating action, won’t chip or fracture material.—The Stanley Works, Booth Nos. 173-174, 178-181.
Circle No. 1272 on reply card, p. 119

**Tamper cuts building costs**

New tamper reduces settling, cracks, and call-backs. It compacts under-floor and sidewalk slabs, tampers fill and utility trench backfill. Improved power costs cut to 12¢ per cu. yd. Has one-man transportation unit.—Jay Co., Booth No. 999.
Circle No. 1273 on reply card, p. 119

**Pipe weathers well**

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Circle No. 1274 on reply card, p. 119

**Truck does heavy work**

Model B-160 truck with stake body is rated up to 19,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight. Wheel bases vary from 129” to 189”. Engine is six cylinder or V-8. Specific use requirements met by variety in axles.—International Harvester, Booth No. 13.
Circle No. 1275 on reply card, p. 119

**Cuts fast and hard**

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Circle No. 1277 on reply card, p. 119

**Trencher propels self**

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Cuts foundation costs
Curb wall form made of Fiberglas is 50% lighter than steel, requires less manpower. One-piece construction is easy to erect and strip.—Engineered Concrete Form Corp., Booth No. 824.

Circle No. 1280 on reply card, p. 119

Metal form assures alignment
New version of Lo-Wall form has special "Stake to Yoke Bar Clamp" for fast and sure line adjustment. It's 12" high, will provide 8" thick wall.—Symons Clamp & Mfg. Co., Booth No. 509.

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Hangs door in 2 min.
Prehung door routing and boring machine will bore for the lock, latch and striker plate automatically. Accuracy is assured.—Ruvo Engineering Corp., Booth No. 644.

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Circle No. 1286 on reply card, p. 119

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Soldergun has alloy tip

Soldergun has alloy tip, requires no filing. Retinning is accomplished by wiping heated tip with damp cloth. Kit also contains built-in shadowless spotlight, handle compartment for storage of extra solder."

Cummins Portable Tools.

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Intercom permits outside, inside contact

Sound system maintains two-way contact to all rooms, can answer outside doors. Units go on flush or are surface-mounted. Ideal for existing homes or new construction. Transistor circuit lasts indefinitely, makes for dependable service. Set is adapted for AM radio. System can be used for private or general communication. Nurseries or sick rooms can be monitored by intercom. Radio plays in any part of house. Units are finished in blended gold, polished, satin silver."

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Circle No. 1288 on reply card, p. 119

Door goes up easily

Folding aluminum door installs using only a screwdriver. Door is finished with baked enamel top coat. Hardware is nonrusting simulated brass. Glide runners are self-lubricating nylon. Comes in white, 32", 38" openings."

Hunter-Douglas Div.

Circle No. 1289 on reply card, p. 119
Stapling hammer is more efficient for large areas

Stapling hammer drives new, wider staple, is more efficient for applying roofing paper, insulation batts. Model H23R drives staple with 3/8" leg length, is twice as wide as many used in medium-duty hammers. Tool weighs 2 lbs. 8 ozs., holds strip of 100 staples in magazine.—Bostitch, Inc.

Circle No. 290 on reply card, p. 119

Masonry drill is held by vacuum rig

Masonry drill cuts holes up to 8" in diameter, secures quickly to concrete and tile by use of vacuum rig. Pump develops 3,000 lbs. holding force within two 13" suction disks. Stand goes on vertically or horizontally. Rig weighs only 125 lbs., rolls easily from job to job.—Milwaukee Electric Tool Corp.

Circle No. 291 on reply card, p. 119

Steel roof deck has wider ribs for welding

Type “A” steel roof deck has wider ribs, permits easier welding from top. Gives ideal support for softest type of insulation. Die-set end laps help speed deck installation. Comes in 18, 20, 22 gauges and lengths up to 28'6". Finishes are bonderized and prime-painted or galvanized.—Inland Steel Products Co.

Circle No. 292 on reply card, p. 119

New pattern for board-and-batten application

“Santa Rosa” is name of new redwood pattern for use in reverse board-and-batten application. Applies either as durable exterior siding or finished indoor paneling. One side of board is surfaced, other is saw-textured. Material is durable and requires little maintenance.—California Redwood Association.

Circle No. 293 on reply card, p. 119

can boost efficiency, sales

Gives better daylighting

Twin domes provide more efficient daylighting. Inner dome is reinforced with fibre glass for strength; outer dome is all-acrylic for weatherability. Permanently sealed for thermal insulation. Self-flashing unit is nailed to roof.—Wasco Products, Inc.

Circle No. 294 on reply card, p. 119

Cooler fits cabinet base

“Curtain Wall” air conditioner is shaped to fit ventilating cabinet in base of apartment windows. Unit is 1-hp, 9,000-btu; weighs 125 lbs., measures 15'4"x34'4"x12'4". Similar to regular room air conditioner.—Amana Refrigeration, Inc.

Circle No. 295 on reply card, p. 119

Fan is reversible

Ceiling or wall mounted attic fan reverses air flow by changing motor leads. Blades are spaced irregularly around hub for maximum air delivery. Unit is mounted on rubber grommets, measures 24" to 48" dia.—Diehl Mfg. Co.

Circle No. 296 on reply card, p. 119

Panels mount anywhere

Perforated panels can be mounted on all surfaces—brick, concrete, metal—without hanger. Hangers have built-in spacers. No drilling, no special tools. Includes 10 anchors, 10 bolts, can of adhesive, instructions.—Goodloe E. Moore, Inc.

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Circle No. 1301 on reply card, p. 119

Meets current requirements
New 20-amp grounding devices permit higher-rated electrical equipment to obtain full current requirements. Include single and duplex receptacles which will accept all caps. Shallow bodies, side wiring.—Leviton Mfg. Co.

Circle No. J298 on reply card, p. 119

Add light to garage
Sculptured fiber glass panels of this sectional overhead door light up garage like a skylight. Panels are encased in extruded aluminum, making door shatterproof, shrinkproof and impervious to corrosion.—Frants Mfg. Co.

Circle No. 1302 on reply card, p. 119

Up and roofed in one day
Complete house package, delivered with everything but the concrete, can be erected, sided, and roofed in eight-hour day. Includes wiring, plumbing, interior decorating. Slab, crawl, basement plans.—General Homes, General Industries.

Circle No. 1304 on reply card, p. 119

Extra weatherstrip added
This single-hung aluminum window has an integral fin trim designed into window frame for easy installation. Wool-pile weather-stripping treated with silicone is rated above minimum air infiltration.—Ceco Steel Products Corp.

Circle No. J300 on reply card, p. 119

Has sculptured pattern
Decorative tile features a sculptured pineapple pattern in bold relief. Called “Tropico”, this addition to the Hermona line will be available to builders in 1964 in many colors including bronze, orange, gray, turquoise.—Gladding, McBean.

Circle No. 1305 on reply card, p. 119

PRODUCT PREVIEW
Roller ends hand tamping

“Roller-Bug” has two 5” wire rollers that push large aggregate just below surface. Bins up just the right amount of fat for smooth, easy floating. Improves slab quality. Speeds tamping and leveling.—Goldblatt Tool Co.
Circle No. 1306 on reply card, p. 119

Adapts to difficult jobs

Portable electric “Flex-Saw” is initially designed for electric linoleum and floor tile installation. Adaptable to making flashing groove in stone, undercutting door frames, window sills. No nut or collar to impede vision or sawing.—Algo Specialties.
Circle No. 1307 on reply card, p. 119

Classic door durable

Steel folding door has louvers plus classic design—for practicality and beauty. Won’t warp, swell or split. Eight-ft. high for simple, low-cost installation. Factory applied primer, easy to finish. Nylon bushings prevent jumping.—Fenestra Inc.
Circle No. 1310 on reply card, p. 119

Wont’ rotate or rust

Neoprene washer nails have annular ring shanks to eliminate rotating. Won’t grind washer. Designed for corrugated and V-crimp roofing. Available with umbrela heads to hold washer firm, or flat heads. Nails are rustproofed.—W. H. Maze Co.
Circle No. 1312 on reply card, p. 119

Has different color

Cabinet hardware inspired by the works of artist Cellini has a new copper color. Called “Cellini Copper” it goes well with natural wood cabinets or painted surfaces. Adds new touch to remodelled kitchens.—Washington Steel Products, Inc.
Circle No. 1308 on reply card, p. 119

Operates from dashboard

Electronic door control for garage doors and lights is operated with pushbutton transmitter from car dashboard. Features include instant reversing motor, light control, adjustable safety clutch.—Barber-Colman Co.
Circle No. 1309 on reply card, p. 119

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Circle No. 1360 on reply card, p. 119

Touches up concrete

Cement refreshing mix consists of dry cement powder with a built-in ingredient for bonding to concrete. Add only water. Remains workable longer than epoxy, provides lasting surface as thin as 1/8".—Larsen Products Corp.

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Wash and dry anything

Clothes dryer series includes two gas, one electric model. Features twin air-streams, three-cycle timer, temperature control, and a no-heat air setting. Washers feature triple filtering action and five times.—Hamilton Mfg. Co.

Circle No. 1370 on reply card, p. 119

Decorates any size wall

"Acre" stone costs less than similar decorative masonry walls, sells for $2 to $3 per sq. ft. installed. Will cover the wall as designed; pattern of stone does not govern shape, size of wall. Comes in three patterns.—EMICO Cement Products, Inc.

Circle No. 1373 on reply card, p. 119

Double duty joist hangers

Joint hangers of 18-ga. steel have been introduced in two sizes, No. 14 for 2x6's and 2x8's, No. 18 for 2x8's to 2x12's. Have same features as 14-ga. easy to position, eliminate notching of subflooring or beams.—F. D. Kees Mfg. Co.

Circle No. 1379 on reply card, p. 119

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Circle No. 1374 on reply card, p. 119

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Circle No. 1382 on reply card, p. 119

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Wood paneling is combined with the function of folding doors in this standard line of top supported doors. Joints feature "memory" hinges that move panels quietly, nylon wheels and guides, steel latches.—Panelfold Doors, Inc.

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Comfort comes modern

Metal fabricated fireplace provides direct heat circulation throughout whole room. Has comfort of old stove and modern design; is free-standing for floor or ceiling installation, or wall-fastened unit.—Conding-King Co., Inc.

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A canops switch for pole lamps and tree lamps has a snap-in feature that saves installation time and labor. Easily snapped into a keyed mounting hole, switch is mounted and locked into position with a single push.—Circle F Mfg. Co.

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Built-in combination refrigerator-freezer has no-frost system. Maintains exact temperatures in both sections. Control is engineered into circulating air stream. In popular classic design, unit fits 2’x3’ floor space.—Revo, Inc., Booth No. 605.

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**Oven has exhaust**

Suburban 27” built-in oven has a built-in fan vent which exhausts cooking smoke, grease and heat outside. Provides closed door broiling in oven. Both gas and electric models fit standard 27” cabinet.—Samuel Stamping and Enameling Co., Booth No. 710.

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**Ionize fumes away**

Ductless hood removes smoke and odors by electrostatic ionization. Fumes are drawn into hood where they become charged and drawn to charged collector plate. Plate is cleaned with detergent. Unit goes on wall.—Progress Mfg. Co., Inc., Booth Nos. 1156-1157.

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Hood fan does extra large job
The power unit of this range hood is an 8 5/16" fan which delivers a large volume of air through long duct runs. This Mixed-Flow Hood will discharge two ways—out the back if the range is located on an outside wall, or out the top, in which case the duct occupies only about 35 sq. in. at the back of cabinet. Also has two light receptacles, push-button controls, a lifetime aluminum filter, and a back-draft damper. Completely assembled.—Bronn Mfg. Co., Inc., Booth Nos. 813-814.

Cabinets add glamour to the bathroom
Bathroom cabinets for every need and luxury are featured in new ensembles. Newest design is the recess side cabinet with six center mirrors for installation above vanities. To match these are special size framed lavatory mirrors. The side cabinets can be reversed to let mirror swing left or right. Other designs include vanity and sliding door types with fluorescent lighting. Some of these have plastic diffusers for controlled lighting.—The Hess Co., Booth No. 1197.

Hood designed for economy
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**Door requires no tracks**

Trackless bi-folding wood door leaves entire opening 100%, clear, closes away with unusual tracks, pivots, and guides. Adjustable split jambs. Requires some clearances as hinged units. Factory assembled.—Ready Hung Door Corp., Booth Nos. 515-516.

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**handles for all doors**

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**Operation is smoother**

Aluminum horizontal sliding windows feature two improvements—a nylon roller at sash for smooth operation, nylon glides at head of vent for weather-tightness. Integral fin-type frame.—Wave Aluminum Windows, Booth Nos. 240-241.

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**Plate grips wood tightly**

"Barbgrip" true plates of 18- and 20-ga. galvanized steel utilize maximum strength of wood. Each plate has four 7/16" deep barbed teeth per plug. Can be used with standard press. Pre-punched for 11-ga. 1/2" nails.—Renel Corp., Booth No. 868.

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**Cuts connection time**


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**Gives picture effect**

"Hi-Lo" window, with the upper sash twice the size of the lower, gives picture window effect without loss of privacy or ventilation. Costs only as much as a double-hung installation.—R. O. W. Distributors, Booth No. 922.

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**New lines for doors**

Accordian doors in deluxe and low cost styles come up to 8' in height, in any width. Deluxe line has all-wood appearance, comes in 10'. New builder line has 5' panels, stacks in less than 1' per ft. of door.—Woodfold Co., Booth Nos. 777-778.

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**For duct systems**

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**Window is panelized**

Panelized window-wall component has divided light sash plus optional plywood box header forms with rafter spacing unit has aluminum trame wick self-Hlashing stalls rapidly in or new construction. —Kalwall Corp., Booth No. 230.

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**Gives individual control**

Damper for all Base-Ray models eliminates costly shut-off valves, controls temperature in individual rooms. Requires no piping change, no chains or knobs. Heavy-gauge steel; operates with flick of finger.—Burthen Corp., Booth Nos. 852-859.

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**Breaks off circuit**

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**For smaller homes**

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**Boiler weighs less**

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**Adds heating efficiency**

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**Cleans the air**

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**Entire system is outside**

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**Digs straight ditch**

Crawler mounted "Ditch Witch" trencher makes "straight as an arrow" ditch for foundation footings. Self-propelled trencher is lightweight, movable, especially suitable for frozen or rocks ground.—Charles Machine Works, Inc., Booth No. 925.

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**Staples subflooring**

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**Forms hook up faster**

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MONTH AHEAD

Today's market calls for imagination
Fresh approaches to the perennial problems of home-building are always needed. They come under the heading of smart business practice. But with a more sophisticated market projected for the months ahead, fresh approaches will be mandatory this year.

This holds true for the builder who seeks new frontiers in profit as well as the builder who looks forward to restoring his old frontiers. Unless some new features distinguish your homes, it's unlikely that the mildly dissatisfied homeowners of today will be enticed into buying. A lot of experienced homeowners know what they want in the way of a new house. A great many more, experienced or not, really won't know what they want until you show them.

Take advantage of the slack season
Your job, as a “take-charge” builder, is to satisfy both groups. You may have to dig deep and study long—if you haven’t already done so—for the imaginative solutions that can spell the difference between an ordinary year and a great one.

If you’re not engaged in a winter building project, now’s the ideal time to lay the foundation for your spring activities. Here’s how some organizations are working to help you take a giant step in the right direction.

You can still attend this two-day course
Champaign, Illinois, will be the scene of the sixteenth annual Short Course in Residential Construction conducted by the University of Illinois Small Homes Council—Building Research Council.

The two-day course (Jan. 18-19) will feature a session urging builders and contractors to “Diversify Your Operations with New Markets.” (See the October issue of AMERICAN BUILDER for material on the sidewise market.) Reports will be given on land planning for apartments, apartment building and the market needs of senior citizens.

In line with the growing interest in remodeling, there will be a lecture on “add-a-room.” If you attend, you’ll also hear these research report highlights: valance cooling using chilled water, zone-control warm air heating, long-span headers for component construction, rigid-frame houses and kitchen planning.

Send your application to the Short Course Supervisor, Division of University Extension, 116B Illini Hall, Champaign, Illinois. A fee of $15 covers tuition, publications and a banquet.

Try to see the HIP Show in New York
As noted, the Short Course includes a remodeling session. Three weeks later and about a thousand miles to the east, an entire convention will focus on the maturing home improvement industry. This is the 1961 Home Improvements Products Show, Feb. 8-11 at the Coliseum in New York.

In panel discussions on the first day, 18 successful contractors and dealers will give you their methods of estimating, pricing, accounting, techniques of handling subcontractors and production scheduling. These seminars will illustrate the theme of the HIP Show: success through improved management knowhow and careful profit control. Every hour of the three-day program will stick close to the basic management concept of a net profit for every sale.

You can get data on merchandising tie-ins
On the second day, a panel of economists and other market experts will candidly appraise the prospects for the long-heralded home improvement boom. Discussion title: “When Will The Sixties Soar?” Later on, the subject will be merchandising. Purpose? To acquaint you with the enormous range of merchandising programs and aids you can get from national manufacturers, associations and publications. A typical cross-section of industry leaders will give you the details of their promotion programs.

Our contest winners are a source of ideas
February will also be the month you get to see 35 houses and floor plans in AMERICAN BUILDER. These are the winners and runners-up in the three main categories of our Quality Model Home Contest.

All of the houses demonstrate fresh approaches to homebuilding and we’re sure that some will stimulate your creative imagination. You may be influenced by the reasons the judges give for picking these houses. Or you may pick up a hot idea from one of the many West Coast builders represented.

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