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Two Bathrooms Necessity Today

The typical house of a generation ago had but one bathroom. Very often the modern home includes two bathrooms on the second floor with a powder room on the first. Many of the new houses provide a bath for each bedroom, and with the increasing use of the basement for recreation purposes, plumbing facilities are added there also.

NEW FASHIONS FOR THE MODERN KITCHEN

Modern kitchens are and should be totally unlike old kitchens. They should possess a new and higher type of cleanliness, compactness, airiness, sanitation, beauty and convenience. The modern kitchen reflects more progress than any room in the house. Most of the equipment used therein has passed through a great change in size, appearance, utility, finish, convenience and cost of operation.

ALL THINGS POINT TOWARD HOME BUILDING

People are asking, "Should I build now, or should I wait?"

Which shall it be? Up to the present writing there has been no building boom in this country for several years although in the last year or two there has been an increase in construction and prices did move upward in 1937, but building fell off during the last months of the year and prospects for new construction and even remodeling are rather poor so it would seem that those who can do so should plan to build NOW!

We might look ahead a little into the building field. During the recent depression years, a very marked scarcity of houses took place; building did not keep pace with increase of population, new families through marriage, or to take care of obsolete structures.

Government officials have been studying the problem of starting the building business on a veritable boom, realizing that when there is much construction work progress in the work provided for a vast army of workers in allied industries which contribute to the nation's wealth and furnishings for them.

Today there are not enough homes available to house people comfortably and adequately. Statistics of housing in the cities show a high percentage of rentals, about 100 per cent occupancy of habitable buildings. The man who builds today will probably build at prices lower than for many years to come, and the terms for financing are particularly favorable.

In fact, it is now proposed to extend FHA Government insurance to private owners up to 30 per cent of the value of houses costing \$6,000 and under. For houses over \$6,000, there will be a limit of 80 per cent interest and service charges will be cut from 5 1/2 to 5 per cent and the insurance will be figured on the amount currently due on the mortgage, not on the original sum.

When the loan begins to roll, with these favorable financing terms and if prices remain somewhat stationary, important prospects may start to be improved and the boom will be on its way.

So, BUILD NOW!

HOME LIGHTING IS FEATURE OF IMPORTANCE

It is best to have an overhead light in the hall controlled by proper switches. A hall longer than ten feet should have control 3-way switches at each end of the hall.

In addition, convenience outlets for lamps, pictures and night-lights are desirable.

Also the outside entrance lights, with a house number, should be switched on and off from the entrance hall near the front door.

Stairways require plenty of light and each landing should be well illuminated. These lights should be wired so they can be controlled from all floors and they may be, if desired, controlled from a central point.

Don't forget to install a convenience outlet for the electric vacuum cleaner.

It is suggested, when you modernize and re-wire your home, that you consider the following list of possible electrical conveniences for the staircase:

- Electric outlets, landing lights, 3-way switches, night-light, and Master control systems.

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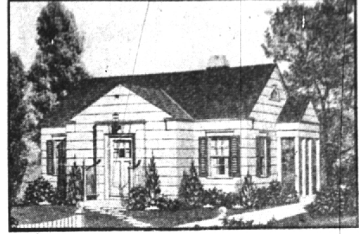
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Much beauty and interest is now being built into houses of common brick. Many of the leading architects have suggested artistic textures so that one's choice of effects is almost unlimited. The more you study the possibilities of this material, the more you realize its great artistic value.

Textures vary considerably—from smooth, geometrical designs to rough, random patterns known as knottled brickwork. Combined with the warm, cheerful colors of glazes and glazes, the mortar joints may be deeply raked-out, mortar joints on points left with the mortar extruding. The mortar may be tinted in contrasting or supplementary tones.

Brickwork needs no painting for protection, but the painting of common brick with whitewash or tinted paint improves with the effect of age and weathering. Used in combination with slate and tile roofs, copper and zinc gutters and downspouts, exposed oak timbers and plate glass, it is a beautiful material from which to construct your home, and the cost in the long run proves economical.

Many Factors Enter Into Wall Choice

Interior wall finishes are offered in many varieties. Smooth and rough plaster retain their popularity, although composition boards of various types, linoleum, and even colored glass are extensively used.

While price is an important factor, fire safety, appropriate decorating, ease of cleaning, and maintenance cost require careful consideration as well. Satisfactory interior finish is one of the points examined during investigation of properties which are proposed as security for insured mortgages.

UTILITY ROOM SERVES AS HOME LAUNDRY

A basement was considered an essential in the house of a generation ago. Modern home equipment has largely eliminated the reasons why basements were considered necessary. The utility room containing the heating unit, and usually the laundry of the modern home saves many steps for the housewife. It is more readily kept clean than the basement.

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Porches are an American institution and apparently grow in favor annually. People use their porches more than formerly. In addition to the living porch, there are entrance stoops, sun porches, sleeping porches, balconies and terraces.

One tendency is for greater privacy in the living porch and so that the old type porch, often a screen is steadily losing favor. Instead, the living porch is separated from the front entrance, often by the side of the house or at the rear, possibly opening on to a garden where quiet and rest prevail. All are screened and many are built with permanent glass enclosures or arranged so that they may be placed in for winter.

For those who like sleeping porches this room may well be placed over an attached garage or over a first floor porch. Be sure there is a tight railing about the porch, high and provided to keep out inclement weather. The open air porch for napping is almost a necessity as the therapeutic value of the sun's rays are becoming more generally recognized as a health insurance and, as such, the open porch is coming into its own. Needs to say, sun porches will be found in the planning in order to provide the user with privacy from the curious high, tight railing for the screen may be provided to accomplish privacy.

PACKAGE RECEIVER PROVES CONVENIENT

A receptacle built up on the inside of a screen door with an opening sufficiently large to receive groceries and other packages becomes during the course of the day will be a convenience and time saver.

The housewife may leave home on various errands confident that her purchases will be delivered and safe awaiting her return and the delivery boy is spared a second trip.

ROOM FOR MAID CONSIDERATION IN SMALL HOME

In building a new home consideration should be given to comfortable quarters for a maid of the family that lives in the home has a servant or plans to have one in the future.

When space is at a premium, a very small room can, with care, be made attractive. Built built furniture, such as a bed, may be built in, with drawers for storage underneath. Bookcases, a desk, and a drop-leaf table can be built in at little cost and will be a great convenience.

Servant's quarters, if on the north side of a house or facing the street next door, may be made attractive by the use of pastel shades that reflect the greatest amount of light.

A consultation with your architect should result in a room that is adequate and attractive but does not infringe upon the space required for family use.

Select Home For Modernizing

In modernizing a home, only well built, well located, reasonably well preserved buildings should be considered. Certain significant results will be accomplished by this combination. An ugly, neglected and unkempt premises may be improved, beautified and a neighborhood respect removed. Property values in a declining locality may be raised and real estate stabilized. Also, the standard of living of a great number of families will be raised if a proper modernization is carried on for an old, dilapidated home in a good neighborhood.

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