

Range Folds Away

Ever hear of folding up a kitchen range? That's just what you can do with some of the new electric cooking elements, designed to give extra counter space when they're not in use. There's hardly a housewife alive who can't use more counter space, no matter how big her kitchen.

Easy to Please

Wood complements any decor and makes the home decorator's job easy. Fine paneling of west coast hemlock or Douglas fir adds texture and tone impossible to obtain from any other material.

Start Making Plans For Summer Cottage

Now that the two-car family has changed from dream to reality in millions of American homes, the same people are looking for new ways to raise their living standards.

Building magazine, ENGLISH NEWS-RECORD, is authority for the statement that "the second house for weekends and vacations will be important in the 1970's, if costs are held down."

Even if there is a snow drift outside your picture window as you read these words, it's none too early to start making plans for your summer cottage if you plan to put it into use this year.

ASSUMING YOUR family would like to hold the cash outlay to a minimum, give some special consideration to the accepted ways of saving money on construction. The biggest saving, of course, can be realized by doing much of the work yourself, and even better, you may be able to persuade friends to help with the jobs that require extra pairs of hands.

As a special aid to the economy-minded family, Architects Robert Bell, on commission from the Insulating Siding Association, has prepared a set of plans for a budget-type summer cottage.

BELL'S FINAL design embodies economy in original cost, economy in outside maintenance, economy in interior housekeeping. Yet it has an "open" floor plan that provides

Modern Design Key To Housing Program

PORTLAND (Special)—Here in the headquarters of the West's great lumber industry, where more than half of the nation's lumber originates, millmen are preparing for 10 years of unprecedented home building across the nation.

We expect the nation to build some 15,000,000 new homes in the 10 years ahead, says H. V. Simpson, head of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association.

What will these homes look like? Simpson has been asked.

"I believe," the home expert said, "the nation's home style which will prevail during the '60s has already been established."

A panel of famous architects recently selected the outstanding

homes designed during 1959 and 1960.

"EVERY HOME" selected," Simpson said, "was in contemporary styling, which first gained wide acceptance in the West following World War II and now is accepted throughout the nation."

"The contemporary home," he continued, "features openness, a free interchange of space between outdoors and indoors, large areas of glass, and, throughout, a liberal use of wood both structurally and as a decorative medium."

There is a simplicity, he said, of design in these homes, and most architects use wood, an invaluable substance of Nature, as the tie to connect a home with its natural setting.

MOST WOMEN today — and women determine what goes into a home and what kind of homes sell — want wood in their homes.

They ask for wood sided homes, with a preference for some of the better known western softwoods like western red cedar and Douglas fir, he points out. They like exterior woods finished with soft toned stains or clear, heavy-weather lacquers to retain the natural beauty of the woods.

Inside the home, women want kitchens of wood, and high on their list of favorites is west coast hemlock because of its great beauty and its extra-hard and long wearing surface.

for maximum livability with only three basic rooms. The livability is enhanced by a 30-foot porch across the front which should be screened for greatest usefulness.

The cottage has no basement so the foundation needs only minor excavation. Depending on locality and ground conditions, it can be either poured concrete, concrete block, concrete block pilings, or timber set in concrete.

SIDEWALL construction is economical and practical, both in original cost and in maintenance. Bell has operated on the theory that summer cottage should be enjoyed and not be the source of constant chores that leave the owner no time for recreation.

Consequently, he has specified shake shingle insulating siding as the exterior finish. Insulating siding has its own factory-embossed decoration so no further maintenance is required in the form of painting or staining.

IN ADDITION, the insulating value of the siding offers important advantages. It means the cottage can be heated with maximum comfort for low cost. If the cottage is air conditioned, the siding increases efficiency of the unit and reduces operating cost.

You'll find many other good ideas in the Bell plan. You can get the plan and a complete bill of material by sending 25 cents in stamps or coins to the Insulating Siding Association, Glenview, Ill.

Many Styles Available In New Dishwashers

New, 1961 models of electric dishwashers come in such a wide variety of styles and sizes that it's possible to find one that fits the requirements of any kitchen modernization project.

These include models in standard cabinet sizes that are installed permanently under a countertop near the sink, as well as styles that come with a workspace top that fit neatly between sink and adjacent cabinet.

Some of the built-in dishwashers roll out at the touch of a hand like a drawer for easy loading, while others have doors that swing down and racks that roll out.



Glassware gleams when it comes out of this electric roll-out dishwasher. The unit holds all the day's dishes for an average family. Many different styles of dishwashers are available in local appliance stores.

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