



THE COLONIAL HOME above is a recent reproduction of houses built in Maryland during the 1700's. A high degree of authentic Colonial charm was achieved inside and out by using stock woodwork accurately copied from 18th century designs. Dormers

on left and right help light two upstairs bedrooms. Wood windows with many small panes of glass, panel doors, narrow clapboard siding are among true Colonial features.

Charm of Colonial Design Easy to Duplicate Today

Colonial architecture, after more than 200 years, still ranks as one of the most popular of all home styles.

This sustained popularity is due "in part to sentiment, and in the balance to good common sense," according to an article in *House Beautiful's* building manual, spring-summer 1963.

In the article, "You Can Create an Authentic Colonial House with Stock Millwork," the editors attribute the sentimental attraction to the fact that Colonial design gives us a nostalgic link with the past.

The "good sense" part stems from the traditional style itself, which, they say, "remains today one of the most comfortable, livable, attractive forms available to us."

IN THE PAST, good modern Colonial houses with authentic details were hard to find. Today, however, it's no problem to build or buy a new home with honest Colonial styling.

The main reason for this, according to the article, is that "the high cost of custom millwork has been cut from the price of authentic Colonial architecture."

To illustrate this point, *House Beautiful* shows a modern Colonial house typical of those built on the Eastern Shore of Maryland from 1730 to 1770.

The main entrance is simply styled and practical, with the front

door recessed to provide protection against the weather. Small panes above the exterior entry provide light and are matched by similar ones just above the recessed front door itself.

DOUBLE-HUNG wood windows are used throughout the house except for a large bay window in the family (or "keeping") room at the rear of the house.

Origin of multiple-light windows can be traced to early colonists who wished to evade higher taxes placed on larger window panes.

Most of the woodwork used, inside and out, consists of stock, factory-made items of ponderosa pine, available from lumber dealers and building materials suppliers throughout the country.

Stock millwork used includes paneled doors, multiple-light windows, fireplaces, moldings and stairways.

Modern stock double-hung wood windows look like their prototypes but they have been improved in many ways.

THEY FIT better, operate easier and, thanks to built-in weatherstripping, are more weather-tight. In addition, complete package win-

dow units are available that permit faster installation and lower-on-the-job labor costs.

Today exterior doors and windows of ponderosa pine are preservative treated to guard against the effects of weather and to ensure a long, useful life.

A free, illustrated reprint of the *House Beautiful Building Manual* article about this Colonial house may be obtained by writing to Ponderosa Pine Woodwork Association, Dept. HP, 39 S. LaSalle St., Chicago 3, Ill.

Need a Hobby Center? Look to Living Room

Your living room doesn't have to be just a sitting room with no particular function. It can be a distinctively different room reflecting your particular interests and designed especially for your use.

When space or finances don't permit you to have a special room for your hobby or favorite pastime, take a second look at your living room. It can meet any of these needs and more.

"Even if you use your living room primarily for entertaining, it still can double as a hobby center," according to Ralph Sherwin, chief designer of Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company.

"Use your imagination in design and decoration. There are an infinite number of ways to keep your living room beautiful and functional... yet different," he said.

FOR EXAMPLE, you can use a living room wall or corner for your hobby area. A desk or table and comfortable chair placed near a window can be the foundation for this section, providing you with plenty of work space and ample light for close work.

Shelves on an adjoining interior wall will give plenty of storage space for albums, while desk drawers provide space for hobby tools and accessories.

Shelves can be built into a pattern glass room divider to permit more privacy and reduce noise from activity in other areas of the living room.

Your living room also is an ideal place to display your hobby.

There's no better place for relatives, friends and neighbors to inspect your favorite needlework, model airplanes, potted plants, or hunting trophies. Even smaller items such as stamps or coins can

be displayed in a "personalized" living room-hobby center combination.

THE KEY to displaying your hobby also is "imagination."

Shelves, tables and walls all are possibilities. For example, the most colorful stamps from your collection can be mounted in an interesting pattern, framed and hung on the wall.

If your hobby is gardening, your prize plants and flowers can be arranged into attractive combinations and integrated into the style and color of the overall room decor.

Your hobby offers a myriad of design possibilities for the theme of the entire living room. If model ships are your interest, an anchor, naval flags or pictures of ships could accent your displays of the models. Trophies for excellence in sports could be arranged with pictures relating to the sport or souvenirs of particular games.

A FAMILY with outdoor interests easily can bring beauty of the outdoors into the living room with a glass wall or picture window of Thermopane insulating glass. This "Open World" room provides ample natural light for all indoor activities.

"These are just a few examples of how you can make your living room a symbol of your own interests, talents and abilities," Sherwin said.

"Don't let the usual concepts of a living room stop you from creating a place where you will spend many happy hours," he concluded.

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COVER PHOTO

Everyone pitches in to help shine up the old homestead at the Irwin K. Weiss home at 18271 Beverly Road, Beverly Hills. From left are Freddy, 4; Dick, 7; Mrs. Irwin Weiss; Mr. Weiss; Tommy, 8; and little Susie, seven months.

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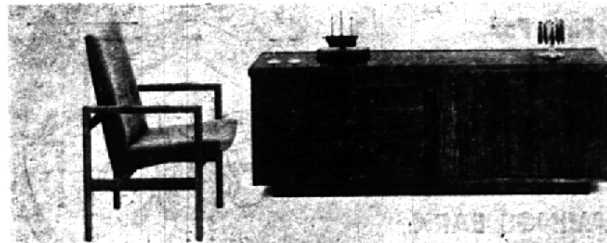
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