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Translucent Vinyl-Floorings

Amtico offers two new translucent vinyl floorings which are said to facilitate the design of glowing walls and floors that appear to have depth. Renaissance (above) comes in nine marble colorings and patterns; is available in various standard and special sizes, starting at a modular 9 in. x 9 in. Stardust, made in twelve colors with metallic flecks that give a subdued glitter, comes in a similar range of sizes. Both are in % in. gauge. American Biltrite Rubber Co., Trenton 2, N. J.

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Record Houses Of 1958

This book will be available through bookstores, as before. Apart from our major service aim of seeking out and recording the best possible houses, the book was prepared with a view toward being of help in architect-client discussions. The book is in three sections. First is a discussion of current tendencies of planning and design in the growing crowdedness of our cities. Next is this year's group of houses, with a feature on each. Finally, are the newest available products and booklets for residential work.
A serene example of an idyllic "private world" is this sheltered court and pool in the Miami, Florida, house of Philip H. Hiss, Designer and Owner. (See page 74 for full coverage of house.)
“What’s new?” This brief greeting, innocuous and colloquial as it is, can pose a serious question to an editor. More often than not, the desired answer would be a terse, glowing report of a wondrous new world in creation. In the field of residential architecture, at least, the real answer is that events move more slowly. For several years we have been in the process of refining and developing ideas and concepts we have had for some time. Nevertheless, a new kind of house has been quietly evolving—one which holds considerable interest in view of our much-publicized population burst. Many concrete devices have been advanced to partially solve the more acute problems of shrinking space and expanding costs: open planning, glass walls, indoor-outdoor living, “vistas,” “flexible partitions.” Their use and value have been explored by the press to the point of becoming cliches; and unfortunately, their benefits have been accompanied by new problems, notably reduced privacy and quiet.

One palpable answer has been germinating for some time. It is a reversal of the cherished “English Landed Estate” approach: as pretty or grand a façade as one could maneuver, set in a gently manicured plot. These front yard and setback schemes that define our residential districts were founded, no doubt, to create pleasantly unified and democratic neighborhoods. Then conditions changed. The present day result—higgledy-piggledy monotony—has become a favorite target of cartoonists and keen-tongued sages.

The “reversed” concept literally blots out the populated world: at its ultimate, windowless walls of house or garden shield a tranquil, private sanctum of courts and pools, and spaces that can be as large or small, bright or dark as one wants.

The idea is hardly new or exotic. For many years isolated examples have been created by such architects as Mies Van Der Rohe,
Courtyards Provide Tranquil Sanctuaries

Philip Johnson, Paul Lester Wiener and José Sert. Its development as a contemporary town house is traced by Ian L. McHarg in his article “The Court House Concept” (ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, September, 1957). What is new is its application to suburbia and to mass housing.

Looking back farther, such a house has been a familiar retreat for billions of people throughout history: for privacy wherever and whenever big numbers have congregated in little areas; and for protection, or the creation of a livable oasis, in uninhabitable regions. Name the time and place and there’s probably been an example—an American frontier fortress, a Chinese house, a Mexican Casa, an early New Orleans patio-house, a Moorish pavilion for the ladies. Americans’ current interest in the “court house” may stem from their new globe-trotting habits and their consequent exposure to the scheme here and abroad. At the architectural end, much interest can undoubtedly be credited to the State Department’s far-flung and enlightened embassy building program. We are learning not to copy, but to recapture an atmosphere, a sympathy, by more fundamental means.

The firmness of this trend has become increasingly obvious with each year’s search for Record Houses. This year’s collection contains quite a few examples. Also, many large-scale housing projects using individual, interior courtyard schemes are afoot.
Blank Exteriors Attract Decoration...

across the country. Some are near realization.

The typical reaction to the outcropping of this type of house has been a nod to the unity and peace it provides, disdain for the possible bleak blankness of the outside walls. The obvious answer to that is also flowering: color, decoration, grills, sculpture, mosaics, ornamental use of materials.

Another strong trend, which produces results similar to the house built around one or several courts, is the pavilion type house placed in a high-walled garden. Aside from houses set in splendid countryside—which are rapidly dwindling in number—this is the only suitable place for the glass house and the oversized picture window. The pavilions are most often simple rectangles, sometimes raised on a platform or podium. Some evoke an oriental image, some a neoclassic one. More elaborate versions make the most of “zoned living” and provide a separate but linked pavilion for each activity. An experimental house by architects Nelson and Chadwick makes a pre-fab pavilion of each room. Together, they somehow conjure up the pleasant aura of a Japanese village.

The anti-austerity mood is also apparent in many of these pavilion houses. With most walls of glass, the interest has centered on the roofs; there are slopes and sheds, arches and domes, paraboloids and catenaries. As technology increases, probably so will roof-
Private Pavilions Separate Activities...

Mount Pleasant, mansion. N.Y. Public Library.

Chilean home and a garden. N.Y. Public Library.

House for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Opdahl, Long Beach, Calif. Killingsworth-Brady-Smith, Architects. (See page 152.)

Corner of house in Tokyo, Japan. N.Y. Public Library.

Gateway of house in Atami, Japan. N.Y. Public Library.

line diversity. Engineering advances, mechanical developments to control (and create) environment, materials developments—all are freeing the concept of what a house must be.

There are also several social factors involved in the acceptance of these walled-in, introverted houses. Above all there is the continuing trend against ostentation (as distinguished from mere decoration) and towards a certain conformity. These houses can provide these qualities for outside appearances, and shelter within most anything desired. And most anything very often is wanted. Instead of set formalities, our customs seem to change rapidly these days, even from occasion to occasion. The ideal contemporary house must be a quick-change artist; but the effort and instability of hyper-flexibility do have certain drawbacks. There are those who claim our houses have been mainly predicated on the requirements of the English tea ceremony, which most of us no longer perform; but there are also minor mutterings that we are now merely substituting the Japanese tea house for the English—while we persist in drinking coffee.

Architecture, though, is never created in a vacuum, but is dependent on, and sensitive to, many seemingly abstruse factors. For example, the population statistics: as crowded as our cities, suburbs and streets are today, all the serious prognosticators
are foretelling a doubly congested near-future. Solid “city” is predicted from Boston to Washington, from San Francisco to San Diego, and in shorter belts across the country. Many, looking at the arid stretches of “no down payment” houses already burgeoning everywhere, view the bleakness of our future lives and habitats with grim concern. The fetching young charms of suburbia are fading. Novelists and Hollywood have been tenaciously, and all too candidly, depicting the lapse of family solidarity in these smaller, more closely-packed developments. A new kind of house is needed.

Since the years of World War II, the fabled “Postwar House” has loomed as a vague goal. If one looks around carefully and comparatively, he may find it—at least in the realm of manufactured building materials. But something has been missing.

Many excellent articles have been written by highly thoughtful people exploring the problem and urging that something be done to solve it. The impact has been great. More and more the concept of what an American house should be is changing. And the change is far more basic than a change in fashion or style, though there are overtones of this as well. The average person’s vague yearning for something more personal, more restful, more beautiful, is being fulfilled by a renewal of the age-old flight from severity, and an ever stronger movement toward the houses we must—and assuredly will—have.
A Controlled Environment

This colorful house (see frontispiece, page 68) incorporates an amazing number of newer ideas, materials and equipment within its straightforward shape:

1. The plan is zoned into four areas for privacy and noise control, divided in the center by a two-story screened court and stair hall. 2. Privacy is further assured by plastic-paneled fences, mechanically operated louvers. 3. Sound is controlled by glass fiber insulation in walls and ceiling, acoustical plaster ceilings, carpets and draperies, and air conditioning—which allows house to be closed up. 4. The building is modular, with 14- by 21-ft bays (center one is 21 by 21). The basic module is 8½ ft, the width of the sliding aluminum windows, doors and screens. 5. Construction is durable and fireproof—frame, bar joists and studs are steel. Floors are beige quarry tile on concrete slabs. The roof is steel decking, marble chips. Walls are ceramic brick, blue aluminum.
PHILIP H. HISS

PHILIP H. HISS, DESIGNER.
Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Hiss, Owners.
Location: Sarasota, Florida.
Air Engineering, Inc., Heating Engineers.
Kenneth D. Brumbaugh, Electrical Engineer.
Phil Hall, Interior Designer.
Philip Hiss Associates, Inc.,
and A. J. Twitchell, Contractors.
The house is planned for the automobile. A large carport has eight upward-acting doors, serves as porte cochère, with easy access to front and service entrances. The motor court gives a fine sense of "arrival" at the house, space for parking.

In the living room (top left), as elsewhere in the house, all materials and surfaces are extremely easy to keep. Walls are plaster (all paint is scrubbable), woodwork is oiled teak, floors are beige quarry tile. Predominant colors of the house are blue, green, natural wood, white and dark gray. Fireplace is mosaic.

Courts and terraces abound throughout the house: small courts are off dining and living rooms (far left), a large one in the center (middle left), and one for the pool. Each room has at least one terrace or balcony. There is ample storage—cabinets line the upstairs corridor. Built-ins have plastic surfaces.

The stairway (left) forms decorative feature at entry, has travertine treads, iron railing. Lighting throughout the house was carefully planned by the owner, has low voltage and mercury dimmer controls. The house is extremely well equipped with mechanical appliances—all possible are built-in.
The Hiss House: A Heat Pump Adds Or Extracts Heat In Twelve Zones...

A great variety of means were used to gain flexible control of the physical environment within the house—sunlight and shade, heating, cooling. The chief means, of course, is the air conditioning and heating system. This is composed of a ten-ton water-to-water heat pump in the utility area off the garage; the pump is connected by insulated piping to an air handler in each of twelve zones (each room), individually controlled by a cooling-heating thermostat.

In the winter, the cold refrigerant in the heat pump (about 40 F) extracts heat from incoming well water (about 77 F), concentrated heat in the compressor and sends it on to the air handlers in water at about 115 F. If a particular zone is calling for heat, its thermostat opens a three-way motorized valve and allows the heated water to pass through the air handler. The blower in the air handler completes the transfer of heat from the water to the air in the room.

In the summer, the air handlers extract the room air heat and transfer it to the circulating water. The heat pump, now operating on reverse cycle, extracts the heat from the circulating water, concentrates this heat in the compressor and sends it on to the outgoing well water, which is discharged into the bay.

This system is supplemented by sun control devices: louvered sunshades, concrete grills, highly reflecting white roof and end walls, glare reducing lawn, planting and drives, gravity ventilators in each bay drawing air through walls and roof.
Fenestration is entirely by sliding aluminum doors or windows, and provides for minimum air infiltration during periods of cooling and heating. Sliding screens interlock with the frames. Continuous slots above each balcony door create an air wash through the roof to gravity ventilators in each bay; end walls of the house also have vents and create an air wash to the roof.

Balconies and terraces create a 7-ft overhang; in four front bays, closets with high windows over them have 3¼-ft overhangs. Louvered sunshades (below) form ceilings of balconies when up. They are motor-driven, controlled by switches, and operate somewhat like an upward-acting door. They can be locked into place to afford a measure of hurricane protection.
JOHN PEKRUHN, ARCHITECT.
Mr. and Mrs. H. George Foster, Owners.
Location: Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania.
Joseph E. Spagnulo, Structural Engineer.
William R. Jahnke, Mechanical Engineer.
H. T. Reynolds Company, Contractor.

The Formal Country House
Contemporary styling, structure, and materials were manipulated here in such a way as to produce an attitude of formality which is at the same time rather soft and rustic to correspond with the region and site of this house. Designed to sit alongside existing barns and sheds in the Pennsylvania countryside, the house has a high-pitched roof. The roof rests on a “big-member” fir frame on 8-in. centers which frees all the walls and partitions of structural load. This made it possible to keep solid interior partitions at a maximum height of 8 ft. Spaces above the partitions are either open or enclosed with glass, so the roof, with its big, exposed beams, can be seen extending from one space to another.

The house, which sits on a platform, is surrounded by a great wood deck of cypress planks. Open-tread stairs lead up to the deck on three sides. Exterior walls are composed of glass and handmade brick.
Traditional furniture fits comfortably and properly in this house where there are so many exposed natural materials (see photo above). The floor surface of the entrance is of highly polished flagstone set in cement. In the study beyond, the floor is wood-mosaic colonial plank. The big, exposed structural members are fir, and the ceiling is natural fir plywood decking.

The dining room is just off the kitchen and is served by a pass-through (photo right). Space above the plaster and wood stud partition is enclosed with glass. The kitchen area extends slightly out onto the porch (see plan, opposite page) which allows room for a small snack table near the rear glass wall. The print wallpaper in the kitchen echoes the traditional atmosphere created by the furnishings.
A plumbing and utility core, along which are placed the bathroom, laundry, and kitchen, splits the house and creates a buffer-zone between the two major areas. One side of the house is then devoted to bedrooms and study; one to dining-living area.

The east wall, which flanks the dining and living areas (photo left), is composed entirely of floor-to-ceiling glass panels supported by the wood structural members. The brick surface of the north and south walls of the house are left exposed on the interior.
Perimeter heating is often being applied to residential architecture to solve the problem of supplying uniform heat, especially in houses that have large areas of glass in exterior walls. The size and simple plan of this house, and its glass walls, were considerations which affected the choice of the perimeter scheme. Since much glass is used, heat transmission through the walls could be expected to be high. By distributing the heat from baseboards along all of the walls, an even flow of heat into the rooms is maintained, and drafts or “cold wall” areas are avoided. Hot water, supplied by a small oil-fired boiler (see photo, right), is forced through lines of radiant pipe which run along the perimeter of the house (see plan, above left). The pipes are concealed within continuous baseboard strips (see photo, far right). The house is small enough, and the plan simple enough, that no long or complicated runs of pipe were necessary. Temperature of the water when it leaves the tank is approximately 220 degrees. A high flue stack was necessary in order to disseminate heavy smoke from the oil-burner, so the furnace room had to be dropped to a sub-ground level. Water was encountered in excavating, so the architect waterproofed the entire basement, creating, in effect, a concrete “boat.”
The Foster House: Heating Is By Baseboards Around The Perimeter...
VICTOR A. LUNDY, ARCHITECT.
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Herron, Jr., Owners.
Location: Sarasota, Florida.
Spear, Inc., Contractors.
Bold Interplay Of Forms

The fact that a house need not necessarily be box-shaped (or any other standard form) is gaining a number of interesting adherents. With modern techniques—and the revival of some older ones—varieties of more sculptural concepts are possible. This is a good example: circles, squares and fanciful curves are deftly interlocked to form a forceful, different, and highly adaptable house. It is sheltered by a sinuous, free-standing roof of laminated glued wood arches. Beneath this, nonstructural partitions define a basically H-shaped plan with a large circular living area as its core. One leg of the H is a bedroom-sleeping area, the other leg is the utility-work area, with utility room, kitchen, maid’s room and den or office. Two inset screened patios flank the living area; when sliding glass doors to these patios are opened, the entire house becomes one big, free-flowing area for living and entertaining. A circular carport at the rear (photo above) echoes the shape of the living area.
The Herron House: Its Whimsy Is Practical...

The house is planned for typical informal Florida living, offers big open areas for family and entertaining; low partitions add to sense of space.

The kitchen itself is in two compact work centers, but boasts an enormous sweep of work counter and storage cabinets, and a cheerful, glassed-in breakfast area (right). Cabinets are mahogany.

The overhanging sweep of the roof gives excellent protection from the hot summer sun, and gives sheltered outdoor sitting areas outside each room. Such a spot off the den is shown far right.
The Herron House: Roofed By An Arched Shelter
An “umbrella” of wood arches dominates this house. It was designed with turned-up edges to give wide overhangs and avoid any “military shelter” look. They were fabricated in two sections of laminated glued southern pine, with notches to join at the center (see drawing above). Six arches were set up and bolted with anchor plates to concrete footings, forming five 14-ft structural bays. This 14-ft spacing is the maximum span for the 3- by 5-in. white fir double-tongue-and-groove decking that spans over them. Total width of the arches is 76 ft, length is 70 ft. The arches extend 13½ ft beyond each side of the house enclosure, 4 ft at each end. The floor slab is finished in terrazzo, and contains ducts for hot air heating. Patterned walls of ceramic-glazed brick are 8 ft high, topped by fixed glass. All window framing is aluminum. Two-in. holes are at ends of each arch for hurricane tie-down. Roof openings are screened over inset patios.
GEORGE T. ROCKRISE, ARCHITECT.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar Carpenter, Owners.
Location: Medford, Oregon.

William B. Gilbert, Structural Engineer.
Buonacorsi and Murray, Mechanical Engineers.
Laurence Halprin, Landscape Architect.
Dunbar Carpenter, Contractor.

ERNEST BRAUN
A House Around An Atrium

The introverted, closed-front house, often associated with more crisp and formal design, has adopted here the relaxed and casual mood of the familiar Northwest house. Built of rugged, natural materials with durable surfaces, the house is particularly well adapted to family living.

The plan is arranged in the shape of a hollow U with an atrium, or entrance court, located in the core. Because the house is situated at the top of a 300-ft-high conical hill and is comparatively isolated, much use is made of sliding glass doors and full length glass panels in the rear exterior walls. Thus, inside rooms look onto the pleasant atrium and outside rooms afford long views to the Rogue River Valley. The kitchen, den, and family room are grouped together for easy coordination of family activities. Bedrooms are located in the east wing—away from noise—and are exposed to morning sun.
Lightly scaled wood pillars, spaced at regular intervals, form the colonnades and covered walkways that encircle the house. Though there is a side door through which direct connection can be made from the carport to the family room and food storage area, the carport has been brought to the front of the house so that entrance can be made easily through the atrium. A covered walkway and loggia provide a protected access to the front door. The use of pebbles, trees, fountains, and concrete surfaces in the atrium has produced a pleasant garden atmosphere and requires little upkeep. The atrium, plus a deep porch and terrace to the north, afford varied outdoor dining and lounging areas.

A built-in cabinet in the family room serves as a room divider, pass-through from laundry, bookcase, and writing desk. On the laundry side it provides storage and working space. Floors are concrete slab on grade with a colored cement topping (photo right).

Vertical white cedar walls contrast with a native fieldstone fireplace in the living area. The ceiling is composed of 2- by 6-in. tongue-and-groove decking over 4- by 4-in. exposed beams. Sliding glass doors and panels open onto both the atrium and the porch (center right).

The use of native fieldstone and natural wood lend a different quality to the bathroom. A skylight admits natural light to the mirror and dressing area. Translucent sliding glass panels separate the sunken tile tub from a private terrace. The sink is built-in with a cabinet beneath for storing towels and other linens (far right).
Fighting excessively warm temperatures in a house of this size could be a drain on the budget. Instead, a rather unique and comparatively inexpensive cooling system has been employed which approaches the same results expected from more costly installations. Located in the interior of Oregon not far from the California border, the site is dry and hot in the summer. Some method of cooling the house was necessary. With economy in mind, the architect devised a ponded roof scheme which cools the entire house through the process of evaporation.

A 2-in. level of water is maintained on the roof over all rooms. The level is controlled by a simple float valve much like the kind used on a water closet. The natural process of evaporation absorbs and dissipates the heat from rooms below. The water serves also as a deflector, insulator, and fire protection measure.

The roofing is built-up, 2- by 6-in. tongue-and-groove decking on exposed beams. Roof framing was simplified because of the dead level features. Excess water is run off into the garden. As an additional cooling agent, the living, dining, and family areas have been framed for a heat exchanger unit soon to be installed. Air will be forced over coils containing cold water from a well on the site.
The zoning of interior spaces is clearly and dramatically expressed in this precisely balanced house. Private rooms (bedrooms, study, baths, services) are housed in the low, closed, brick-veneered wings. Windows are at the sides. Living areas, by contrast, open wide to the outside beneath a tall soaring roof supported by four steel columns. The space is further expanded, front and back (see photos) by wide terraces. Glass all around emphasizes the roof's lightness, takes full advantage of the wooded, relatively secluded site. Low partitions inside also accent the great sense of space. The foundations of the house are concrete slab on grade; the frame is welded steel, with a 4-in. brick veneer exterior. The roof is built-up, with a ceiling of 6-in. fir boarding on the underside. Copings, scuppers and sliding doors are aluminum; screens are bronze. Heating is by a warm air perimeter system.
ULRICH FRANZEN, ARCHITECT.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beattie, Owners.
Location: Rye, New York.
August Nelson, Contractor.
In the living area (above), a depressed pit in front of fire­place adds space by keeping major seating low, eliminates massive sofa frames. Wall-hung storage cabinets, with lights at bottom and top, further minimize furniture requirements. Floors are laminated walnut blocks; walls are plasterboard.

The entrance hall (right) gives visual sweep across entire 30-by 30-ft pavilion. Ceiling is 10½ ft high. Birch cabinets and a screen wall block view of dining and sitting areas.

Rooms in the two wings are small, but comfortably adequate. They are made to appear proportionately larger by using low (7½-ft) ceilings, keeping decor simple. The study (right center) can double as a guest bedroom. The furnace room is beneath it, accessible through a trap door in the floor.

Planned spatial effects also add size to the master bathroom (far right): neat commodious built-ins, a wall of mirrors, a plastic dome ceiling over the tub compartment. Walls and ceiling are glazed tile, floors are unglazed tile.
**The Beattie House: The Kitchen is "Cafeteria-Style"...**

Easy to cook in; easy to serve from; easy to maintain: these three prime requirements for a small house kitchen are well met here. This space-saving, but fully equipped kitchen also offers an interestingly different plan arrangement. The cooking area is a convenient, and more-or-less standardized U shape, with work centers and counters nicely grouped. The addition of a convertible bar-breakfast-serving-counter as a free-standing unit in the living area adds considerable, and practical, flexibility to the arrangement.

For everyday, family living, double doors open the kitchen wide to the living area, and the counter can be used directly as a breakfast or snack counter. On other occasions it is designed to be used as a "cafeteria-style" buffet, with informal service from the kitchen side, the "cafeteria-line" on the other. For more formal entertaining, the kitchen is closed off, and the front of the counter unit is closed to become a serving counter with food out of sight. For cocktail parties, a sink with a removable lid converts it to a bar. The kitchen has vinyl tile floors, and is lighted by fluorescent tubes under the cabinets and a plastic dome skylight.
A. Pressed board sliding doors
B. White plastic wainscoting

a. Bar
b. Oven
c. Range
d. Dishwasher
e. Overhead cabinets
f. Maple cutting board
g. Refrigerator
h. Sink
i. Fan
j. Hood
k. Dish storage
A House Of Linked Pavilions

This spacious, livable country house consists of three zoned units, linked by glassed-in galleries. One zone contains living and recreation areas; the second has service and guest quarters; the last is made up of family bedrooms. The wide galleries double as a dining area, and a family room. Each room is oriented to take advantage of views from the spectacular mountain top site. The house is located on the edge of a ridge known as "Pine Mountain," and overlooks the thousands of acres of the Ida Cason Callaway Gardens. The gardens, open to the public, are carefully cultivated sanctuaries of forest scenes, flowers, lakes and canals; the owner of the house, Howard H. Callaway, is Executive Director of the gardens. Stone for the house, of subtle yellow and orange colors, was quarried near the site. The casual, unaffected contemporary design incorporates high ceilings and a great sense of space.
The house is closely linked with the outdoors, with terraces, courts or balconies off all rooms; a swimming pool and terrace is off the bedrooms. Room arrangement and fenestration is planned to give maximum privacy in spite of all the openness to the views.

Above left: the gallery linking service and living areas contains entry and dining area, gives big space for entertaining. Floors are blue-gray slate, exposed wood ceilings have a soft, “frosty” finish. The entrance court has a neat, small garden.

Left: the living room is quite big; half is shown here. Colors of fabrics and rugs repeat those of the stone. The room capitalizes on the views, yet gives feeling of security and enclosure. A grille and reception room below is reached by a dramatic stair.
The Callaway House: Plan Divisions Give Openness and Privacy . . .

Below: the kitchen has a long breakfast counter opening directly on the family room. The opposite side of the room is a sitting area. The kitchen has plastic counters, metal cabinets, built-in range and ovens; plaster walls, and vinyl plastic tile floors.

Below: the master bedroom (as well as the guest room and living room) has a private balcony. Windows are sliding and fixed steel sash; those in baths and kitchen are wood sliding sash. All have built-in screens. A built-in Hi-Fi serves most rooms.
The Callaway House: An Eight-Zoned System Heats And Cools ...

Below: a forced draft cooling tower is located at grade north of the guest bedroom, serves both heat-cool units.

Below: one of the two machine rooms. The air supply system is shown at right, the return system in the diagram below. A typical floor grille is at near-right.
The residence is heated and cooled by two 10-ton self-contained air conditioning units. Cooling water for both units is supplied from a forced draft cooling tower. Separate cooling water pumps permit independent operation of units. For heating, a forced hot water system supplies coils in the air handling system. Boiler is cast iron, sectional type, fired with No. 2 fuel oil. Oil is stored in a 2400 gallon buried tank. An induced draft fan eliminates an unsightly stack. Machine room No. 1 serves the living wing, via sheetmetal supply and return ducts. The glass area is “blanketed” by floor supply outlets, with air returned at the floor on the opposite side of the room. Electronic “averaging” room thermostats are at each level. Machine Room 2 serves the rest of the house, which is divided into six zones. A heating coil and air throttling damper in each zone supply duct are controlled by thermostats. Air supply to most of the house is through overhead concealed sheet metal ductwork sidewall outlets. Air is returned from each room through floor grilles near windows, then through a system of terra-cotta pipe below the floor slab to the air handling unit. Water supply is from a well with a pneumatic pressure system.

Above: cross section through floor shows terra-cotta pipe return air system. A screen blocks debris from entering into the system.
The architectural trend toward introverted houses has already begun to penetrate the builder house field. This house, designed for a California builder, uses a blank adobe wall to mask its rich, congenial, inside world.

Because the house is located within the densely populated San Francisco Bay residential area, privacy was an important factor in the design. The blank wall façade isolates the lot and protects the two separate pavilions—one for sleeping, one for living and entertaining—which are set amid private gardens, a patio, and a reflecting pool. A steel frame structure frees the walls of any load-bearing obligations so that glass can be interchanged with adobe wherever light and views of the private outdoor areas are desired. An entry with glass walls and ceiling links the two pavilions and frames the reflecting pool which lies between them. Walls facing the patio are also glass.
Adobe Shields Congenial House
The glass entrance (photo, right) leads past the reflecting pond and into the living room. A strip of glass between the roof and the north wall of the living area, glass panels on either side of the fireplace, and a wall of glass facing the patio admit natural light and intensify the impression of spaciousness.

The structure is particularly well expressed in the living area (photo, right bottom) where glass forms much of the curtain walls and the frame is left exposed. Shelves are hung from the steel studs.

A grill counter (photo below) separates the kitchen from the dining area, and serves as a pass-through and snack bar. A folding door which slides across the pass-through closes off the kitchen.
The Hilmer House: Pavilions Form Bi-Nuclear Plan...

Functions of the two pavilions are clearly defined (see plan, above). Separation of the bedrooms from the living area serves to diminish noise and assure privacy in the sleeping area. The pavilions are constructed in simple, rectangular shapes which are least expensive to build. Ceiling heights vary from 8 ft in the bedroom wing to 10 ft in the living areas.

Skylights admit natural light to the bedrooms (see photo, left). Asphalt tile floors and ceilings of exposed 2 by 4 tongue-and-groove decking are easy to maintain. A single weather-tight adobe wall forms the finish wall for both the interior and exterior.

All the kitchen fixtures which require plumbing, with the exception of a small sink built into the dining room bar (see photo below) are located along the back wall of the kitchen. The double stainless steel sink is visible in the photograph below, but the garbage disposer, dishwasher, and plumbing pipes are concealed in the cabinets.

The Hilmer House: Plumbing Scheme Serves Two Wings ...
The common bathroom which serves two of the children’s bedrooms is partitioned into three areas (see plan above). Space for the water closet is almost totally enclosed but is nearest to the connecting passageway since it has the most traffic. Twin sinks allow simultaneous use of the dressing area (photo left) by both children.

A sunken tile tub adds luxury to the bathroom in the master suite (see photo left). Bathing and dressing areas are daylit by plastic bubble skylights (see plan, below) in both the master suite and the children’s baths. Partitions separate the tub and shower stall, water closet, lavatory, and dressing area which is near wardrobe.
The concept of a small, quiet, restful court as the focus and heart of the house is the dominant theme in this home. It is located on a relatively small city plot, with neighboring houses very close-by. To gain a maximum of privacy, the exterior is completely devoid of windows in the usual sense: the only openings are doors at the entrance and kitchen, and a sliding glass one at the rear of the living room. Front and back doors have metal grill gates. Inside, the house gives an amazing air of light, space and openness. Walls surrounding the central courtyard are entirely of glass. Supplementary light is added by plastic dome skylights along the periphery of the house. The plan is organized to give unusually great flexibility. There are three basic zones: bedrooms and baths at the front; service and secondary rooms at the side; and living areas at the rear. Sliding walls open up all spaces.
A Windowless Courtyard House

LAWRENCE, SAUNDERS AND CALONGNE, ARCHITECTS
Dr. and Mrs. Ben Freedman, Owners.
Location: New Orleans, Louisiana.
Richard W. Goodyear, Contractor.
The Freedman House: It Converts From Seven Rooms Into One…

With little more than a "flick of the wrist," this house converts into small, private rooms, or into a big space for entertaining. Foundations are wood pilings, grade beams. Walls are wood frame with light beige brick facing.

The living area (above right) has courtyard "fountain table" as focal point. Alternate glass sections slide open, have sliding aluminum screens. Potted plants are set where desired in green and white pebble beds.

One entire wall of the hall is lined with Shoji screens to create different arrangements. Study is off the entrance, and can double as small reception room. Walls and ceilings are plywood or plasterboard.

Service areas (far right) have pockets for sliding doors. Materials and detailing are the same as other areas, unifying scheme when used all together. Bedroom doors are flush, ceiling height, fold against closets.
With a scheme of windowless exterior walls, a major problem is created in finding ways to preserve a well-lit, and a secluded but not totally isolated atmosphere. The glass-walled court takes care of areas immediately adjoining it— but not spaces that desirably must be closed off on occasion. The design here is a particularly successful answer. Skylights are ranged along the outside edges of the house over each area where light is needed. The sliding screens in the hall are translucent plastic in redwood frames. Light coming into any area is transmitted through the screens to the adjacent space. The total effect is a highly pleasing one of soft highlights and shadows, and ample light.

The diagramatic plan above shows the locations of the skylights around the house. All are of the plastic dome type, as shown in the detail at top right. The curved surface aids in shedding any possible debris.

The rendered section at right shows how daylight is balanced throughout the house. Circular recessed ceiling lights are placed to give a similar effect at night, providing “atmosphere” and utility.

The kitchen and dining areas are shown in the photo at near right; sliding doors fit in pockets at either side. A larger, circular skylight is used to accent the dining area. Shoji screen opens to make sink top into a bar.

Light in the living area is also balanced by skylights along its far edge (right center), and the translucent wall of screens. The heating and air conditioning system has aluminum pipe ducts under the floor slab.

Each of the mosaic-tiled bathrooms also has its skylight (photo far right). Ceiling vent fans are used in all baths and in the service areas. Counter surfaces are plastic, ceilings are plasterboard.
LEGEND

a—Plastic dome. b—extruded aluminum curb frame. c—aluminum retaining frame. d—machine screw, speed nut. e—wood screws. f— and g—neoprene cork gaskets.
Slated: The Curtain Wall
GEORGE FRED KECK
WILLIAM KECK, ARCHITECTS.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Gray, Owners.
Location: Olympia Fields, Illinois.
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Marianne Willisch, Interior Designer.

The steel frame and curtain wall structure so familiar to modern office buildings has been delicately scaled down and put to residential use here. Black slate panels form part of the curtain walls, a rather unusual and effective treatment of the material. The resulting floor plan works as efficiently as that of an office and provides a setting more informal, comfortable, and elegant.

Keeping the column and beam construction as light as possible, the architects left the steel exposed—but painted it a crisp white to contrast with the exterior walls of black slate, aluminum louvers, and glass panels. By spacing the bays at regular intervals, a flexible pattern of open and closed interior areas was achieved. Separation of living and sleeping areas, always a major problem in house planning, was effected by centering the kitchen and utilities in a "buffer zone." Inside bathrooms are along a mechanical core.
A plastic luminous ceiling brightens the long corridor (left) as well as the inside baths. The four bedrooms (below) and a master suite have built-in cabinets.

The study (below) becomes a second living room connected to the master bedroom. Interior finishes are white plaster, oak doors, walnut cabinets, and panel walls.

Mechanical vents air the kitchen (below) and baths. Equipment is built-in. Radiant hot water heating carried in copper tubes warms both the ceiling and floors.
The Gray House: Planned For Comfort And Efficiency, Like A Luxury Office...
The rectangular shape of this house was evolved from the simple forms of column and beam steel construction. This gives great flexibility to the plan, permits light curtain wall enclosures. The structural steel frame is frankly expressed, and kept as light and delicate as possible to show the strength of the material involved. The curtain wall panels are of three types: black slate solid panels; double glass set in wood sash and fixed in place; and vent units, with wood doors on the inside, screens and adjustable aluminum louvers outside.
The basic steel structure of the house is simple, very light. It is shown above with a few studs for partitions in place. Columns are 4- by 4-in., spaced about 12½ ft apart along the house. Steel fascia and beams are 10 by 4, welded to columns, and grounded smooth. Foundation is reinforced concrete.

Exterior rows of columns are set about 3 ft from curtain wall, stress wall's non-structural character. Fascia web is cut over columns to produce neat frame trim. Steel joists are 2 by 9, 16 gauge, spaced 16 in. O.C. Light steel studs are also 16 in. O.C. Roof sheathing is gypsum board, tar and gravel top.

All steel is painted white, stands out sharply from 1-in. black slate curtain wall panels. The slate is hung directly on the metal studs. The wall was sprayed with insulation on the inside before plaster was applied to metal lath. Roof edge has crimped lead-coated copper flashing.

The structure is as frankly expressed on the interior as on the outside. Ceilings also have 1 in. of sprayed insulation, plaster finish. Cement plaster extends ceiling in overhang. Fireplace is faced in marble (high rod is light channel). Floors are wood parquet, vinyl, ceramic tile.
ROBERT B. BROWNE, ARCHITECT.
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Location: Key Biscayne, Miami, Florida.
Hugh H. McCallum, Engineer.
Warren S. Burkholder, Contractor.
Robert B. Browne and G. Cory Millican, Interior Designers.
The great sloping roof and screen façade of this contemporary conception of a traditional Florida house provide excellent shelter against tropical rains and temperatures. The two main elements of the house can be sealed tight during bad weather—or opened on nice days to create one large, screened-in area.

The problems inherent in the semi-tropics (hot sun, high tides, heavy winds, and insects) were solved in much the same manner as in the old Florida house or Seminole chkee house: a concrete platform, impervious to insects, is raised off the ground to form the floor of the house, under which may pass both high tides and cool breezes. The platform is sealed entirely at its edge with insect screening. Porches skirt the perimeter of the platform and divide the two weather-sealed areas that compose the living and bedroom elements. The effect is one of having a courtyard in the center of and surrounding the house.
Rough-sawn pine beams and rafters, bleached to a silvery-gray tone, are left exposed throughout the house. Bedroom windows are louvered, can be opened to admit morning sun.

The living area, as well as the bedrooms, is enclosed by sliding glass doors and wood jalousies which are notched to shut tight during bad weather and for protection and privacy at night.
When sliding doors and jalousies are open, the porch becomes part of the living and bedroom areas, and a breeze flows freely through the house. Eighteen great pine posts, bleached the same silvery gray as the beams and rafters, support a roof which projects down and out on all sides for wind and rain protection. The roof surface is a highly reflective coral chip which, together with ocean breezes, provides effective year-round air conditioning. The surface of the raised platform—which serves as the floor—is polished cement tile.

The McClaue House: Open For Breezes Or Closed For Privacy . . .
The McClave House: Small Galley Kitchen Yields Maximum Working Space...

A galley kitchen as well planned as this one can allow a maximum amount of working space within a small area, save steps and time involved in cooking and other kitchen operations, and integrate heavy and sometimes hard-to-fit equipment. The simple plan places cabinets, sinks, counters and equipment along two parallel walls set 8 ft apart.

Arrangement of the equipment in this kitchen expedites normal cooking procedures. The oven, built into a brick wall, is located only a few steps from the dining area so that food can be served piping hot direct from the stove. The refrigerator is nearby, also above the counter and at eye level. Electrical plates and sink are across the aisle. Food, then, can be moved easily from refrigerator to sink to oven or stove.
Two ceramic tile counters, one with a cutting board edge, run the full length of the kitchen. Cabinets and equipment are raised 1 ft above the counters to free their full 1 ft 6 in. width for working space. The lighting is indirect, done with fluorescent strips under redwood valances. Natural light passes over the partitions.

LEGEND:

Burner units are built into the ceramic mosaic tile counter. Switches and plugs are on the wall where they are easy to see and reach. A galvanized metal wiring gutter is beneath burner units for protection. The height of the tile and cutting board counter is 2 ft 2 in., which situates the working area comfortably at arm's length. The draining board counter is slightly higher (3 ft) to compensate for the recessed sink.

The ceramic mosaic tile scheme is carried through the bathroom and dressing room. Sink and fixtures are built in. Drawers below the counter top are handy for towel and linen storage. A full-length panel of wood jalousies backs the dressing counter and mirror. A plastic skylight admits more natural light to the dressing area.
In The Northwest Tradition

The rare quality of rejecting neither past nor present is worth note in the quiet, warm design of this house. It is in no sense a compromise. The basic concept, planned around a central interior court, is fresh and functional. Details, such as the entrance shown here, are dramatic and un stereotype. Materials are simple, extremely easy to maintain. Yet there are many features too often considered as alien to the contemporary scene. To begin with, it was specifically planned (with adequate wall space) to house a collection of old furnishings the owner had—and loved. The pitched roof and exterior were designed to fit quietly—but not negatively—into a “traditional” neighborhood. And many handy old friends are back: the “porte cochere,” garage doors, a gracious entrance, protective baseboards and mouldings, adequate but concealed storage, privacy, bedroom suites, and fenestration to purpose.
For all its openness, and glass walls surrounding the central living court, this small house has a great sense of shelter and privacy. At night (opposite page) the outside world can be shut away from an indoor-outdoor compound. Shoji screens (right) permit dining area to be closed off from living areas. The bedroom wing is planned to be used as two suites (each with sitting room, bath) or as four bedrooms, as needed.

The house has a wood frame, with redwood and cement stucco exterior, white marble chip built-up roof. Interior walls are plaster, mahogany veneer. Doors and moldings are mahogany. Floors are pinkish-buff tile (walls are painted to match). Heating is by electric radiant cables in floors and ceilings; each room has its own thermostat. Insulation is glass fiber in walls and ceilings. Garage door is lift-up, automatic.
Typical Window Details
(left)

Fig. 1. Head
a. Stucco
b. Sheathing
c. 4-in. trim
d. Plaster
e. 16 gage formed plaster ground
f. 4-in. curtain recess

Fig. 2. Jamb at Corner
e. Plaster ground

Fig. 3. Jamb at Mullions
Or Wall
g. Gasket
h. Trim below sash

Fig. 4. Sill
i. 4-in. stool
j. 1 x 2-in. trim
The fenestration of this house is a good example of logic and order. Diverse window types—each selected for its best function at that place—are skillfully organized into a unified, balanced entity with the house. There is a vast range of windows on the market, one for most any purpose. Sometimes, this useful fact seems overlooked in the interest of simplicity. In this case, requirements included: privacy from the street; views of an adjoining golf course when desired; adequate cross ventilation for a mild climate; insect screens; ease of operation; minimum maintenance.

At the rear of the house (above and left center), a system was developed to combine fixed view-windows with screened opening sash. At each end of the living room (leaving wall space for furniture around fireplace) are two aluminum-framed units extending to the floor: one is fixed plate glass (P), one is a sliding panel with plate glass and a sliding aluminum screen (SP). In the dining area and in the bedroom, two chair-height view panels (P) are flanked by inside-screened casement units with handles that operate from inside; double strength glass (DS), trim aluminum frames.

In the entrance court (left), a band of windows open on a bedroom hall and a bath. They are high, small, and fitted with obscure glass for privacy; casement units alternate with fixed panels. Aluminum framing bars for both fixed and casement sash throughout the house are identical.

The kitchen windows (above) are high enough to permit a backsplash over the counter; the view panel is sheet crystal (SC). Below these, a grated areaway contains a band of small casements for the partial basement. Screens all through the house need never be removed for storage.
CHARD F. WEBB, ARCHITECT AND OWNER.
Location: Phoenixville, Pennsylvania
Irvin Smerly, Contractor.
Compact Delight

Compactness is an element necessary in the design of any fine small home. When it is executed logically and with finesse, as in the design of this house, compactness may also yield a dramatic sense of order and completion. A living room, kitchen and dining room, two children's bedrooms, playroom, two bathrooms, master suite, and an unusually large concentration of storage space have been fitted neatly and without cramping into a 34-ft.-sq. structure.

Rather than leveling the grade of an already existing slope on the site, the house was raised 8 ft above the lowest ground point. This created space for a carport under the living area and kept the commonly sub-surface storage and utility room at ground level. The structural frame, composed of 8- by 12-in. steel beams, is supported by nine 3- by 6-in. steel tubes which are secured in 3- by 3-ft. concrete footings. An 8-in. concrete wall forms the foundation.
A cage of 2- by 6-in. vertical fir studs around the stairwell extends from ground floor level to the roof. The cage gives a sense of enclosure to the stairwell without disturbing the flow of space in the living area (left). The vertical stud pattern is repeated in an exterior fin (see photo, page previous) which keeps the otherwise square house from looking "boxy."

Entrance to the house is made directly from the carport. Floor-to-ceiling glass panels allow a view to dramatic stairwell (photo below). Laundry, storage, and mechanical rooms are beyond.

A stone wall, on which the house seems to rest (see exterior photo, previous page), penetrates the floor and extends into the living area to become the foundation for the fireplace (bottom).
The warm color and grain of the exposed vertical studs contrast nicely with the white plaster walls and fireplace in the living area. The bell-shaped hood and flue of the fireplace are asbestos coated and covered with \( \frac{3}{4} \)-in.-thick low soluble cement which was troweled smooth.
The Webb House: Built-ins Divide Rooms, Multiply Space...

LEGEND FOR SECTIONS AND ELEVATION: a. 1-in. steel pipe; b. ¾-in. by 3-in. side cleat; c. ¼-in. birch plywood panel; d. ¾-in. hardwood guides; e. finished floor; g. ¾-in. removable plywood shelf; h. ⅝-in. plywood shelf; i. ¾-in. plywood sliding doors on sash balance; j. 12-gauge copper hood and exhaust; k. ¼-in. white Georgian marble top, cut out for griddle and burners; l. Converter outlet; m. Two-way sliding drawers.
Built-in storage and wardrobe units, space-saving devices in themselves, have been put to a second use as room partitions in this extremely compact house. The section, elevation, and photo at left show how boxes of lumbercore birch plywood have been hung from vertical studs and fitted with rods and adjustable shelves to form wardrobe units which serve also as partitions (see e and f on plan). To make the units as convenient as possible for storing clothes, the family was measured for sizes, and amounts of clothing were approximated. Each member was then given one basic unit with heights of rod and shelves adjusted to his or her particular need. The total height of each unit corresponds with the height of all other partitions and built-ins in the house. Enough space was left below each unit to fit beds, facilitate cleaning, or store books and toys. Bamboo matchstick curtains hung on a brass rod cover the units instead of space-taking conventional doors.

Kitchen equipment is built into two parallel counter and cabinet units (see a and b on plan). The photo at bottom left looks through the griddle and range counter unit to the sink and oven counter. A plywood panel (see section next to photo) slides down to close the pass-through from range and griddle counter to dining area. A china cabinet is hung from the wall dividing the children’s bedroom and the kitchen (see c on plan). Drawers in storage walls (see photos and section below) open from either side.
Accent On Vertical Space

In a time when the horizontal line reigns in house design, it is intriguing to note here how much visual spaciousness can be added by vistas looking up as well as across and out. A good sense of scale is given, too, by contrasting the verticals and horizontals. It is an interesting house, pervaded by an air of quiet elegance and warmth. Day and night, carefully planned lighting adds a touch of sparkle and drama to the interiors. The plan organization and use of durable materials add up to good livability. The first floor plan centers on a multi-purpose dining-family room, used somewhat like the traditional English “hall.” An entrance vestibule with coat closet opens directly into it, as does the garage. The living room forms a quiet area at the end of the house. Upstairs, a childrens’ wing is set apart with a large play room. The house is wood frame, with concrete foundations and exterior walls of ribbed aluminum panels.
Activity zones are well defined within the simple rectangular shape of this house: parents, guests, children, and noisy or quiet activities all have separate areas. All plumbing, flues and mechanical equipment are ganged for economy, and their area has brick walls for quiet. The playroom is skylighted.

The verticals of the windows and railings fill most rooms with patterns of light and shade (left). The lower photo is the stair hall between living and family rooms; above is the bedroom hall. Living room floors are slate, all others are vinyl tile.

The window bay in the living room (below) extends the full two-story height for added sense of space and light. Alcoves at either side of the living room are filled with storage units. Walls are finished in brick and plaster. Ceilings throughout the house are plaster. Jalousie windows are used for ventilation.
The hooded fireplace (below) is dramatically set in a garden-like alcove at one end of the living room. Windows at the sides and skylights above flood it with light; at night floodlights give the same effect. The fireplace is set in a bed of white pebbles, and has a round black slate hearth.

The master bedroom (below) has balcony effect created by two-story living room bay. Curtains pull across balcony edge for added privacy. Closets are set into alcove along one wall; the bed is placed in the other. The bedroom entry and "vanity room" open on the fireplace well. Baths have aluminum tiles.
The Kirkpatrick House:
Lighting Is Used As Creative Design . . .

LEGEND
a. 75 watt spot light.
b. 150 watt up-light.
c. 300 watt weather-proof light.
d. 75 watt flood light.
e. 550 watt recessed incandescent lens strip.
f. 150 watt spot light.
g. 150 watt recessed baffled down-light.
h. 150 watt louvered fluorescent unit.

Artificial light, used as a device to explain and heighten design features, is worth notice in this house. All too often, the utilitarian niceties of lighting are the only ones given much consideration in residential design. Here, light is used as well to create an atmosphere within and without the house, and to re-create at night all the focal points around the two-story wells, as in the photograph at far left. By using only the exterior lights in the overhangs, soft illumination is provided inside; a series of lights along the stair well give utilitarian light and dramatize that feature; and with all lights on, a brilliant “party atmosphere” is created. Ceiling edges and lights are recessed where there are no actual vertical wells to give the same effect (see two photos left). Storage walls in the living room and the well are lighted in a fashion to give soft background glow. Activity areas in the multi-purpose room are defined by pools of light over tables and sofas.
A Small Lot Well Used

Here is a deft solution to the design challenge presented by the shrinking availability and size of house lots in our burgeoning urban centers. This town house was designed for a 30- by 80-ft lot bordered by a two-story apartment building on one side, and a one-and-one-half-story house on the other. Given those restrictions, the architects met the family’s needs for space and privacy while creating a house rich in delightful visual experiences.

Separation from the neighboring buildings was achieved by setting two 18-ft high walls 3 ft from the side yard lines. The house is developed within these walls, and is enclosed at both ends by glass panels. A modified post and beam structural system was used to accommodate the open plan of the house and the limited width of the property. The living area, with its glass façade, is set back 41 ft from the property line on the street side to make room for a carport, entrance garden, patio and reflecting pool.
The Opdahl House: Walled Garden Isolates a City Site . . .

Precast concrete stepping stones lead from the street through an entrance garden to a 6-ft high wrought iron fence. Beyond the fence, the steps—which are anchored in a concrete base—seem to float on the 21- by 24-ft reflecting pool (see photo above). A patio of concrete slabs also rests on the pool. Since the side walls of the house extend beyond the pool (see plan, opposite page), the lush patio-pool area is isolated from neighboring buildings. A circulating pump keeps the pool at a 6-in. level.

Kitchen cabinets and counters are designed to look like furniture (see photo right). Delicate, ¾-in. iron legs raise the cabinets 1 ft from the floor. A self-edged, plastic laminated top protects the woodwork from burning, cutting, and spilled liquids. Sink, burners, and disposal are built into the cabinets. Kitchen and bathroom floors are vinyl asbestos, walls are plaster.

A gently curved staircase with open treads and wrought iron handrail (see photo far right) serves the second floor bedroom-bathroom area. Though the staircase can be seen from the entrance (photo above), it is situated at the rear of the house near a glass wall which overlooks a private garden. The bedroom level terminates in a balcony over the two-story living room. Side walls (photo, far right) are redwood stained an eucalyptus gold which sets the color tone for the house: white, orange, and yellow.
The Opdahl House: Posts and Beams Utilize Total Lot...
A modified post and beam construction devised by the architects makes the most of this narrow lot and allows a great amount of flexibility in the house plan. The structure starts at the minimum setback 3 ft from the side yard lines and 2 ft from the property line on the street edge. Thus, almost all of the lot is rendered usable. The modular pattern of posts and beams (see plan at right) allows enclosures to be made wherever desired—or areas may be left open to form gardens and atriums. The structure was designed to support an addition of a master suite above the carport and entrance garden (shaded gray in plan). A glass bridge over the pool will connect the second floor and the master suite.

The detail at left shows the connection between 4- by 4-in. posts (see "A" on elevation below), 3- by 10-in. cross beams (B), and 3- by 8-in. lengthwise beams (C). The posts are anchored in concrete footings (D). Moment connections eliminate the need for solid shear panels at the front of the house except for a two-story panel of redwood siding over ⅛-in. plywood (E) at the street edge of the pool which provides privacy for the patio. The 6-ft-high fence (F) is formed of ¾- by ¾-in. wrought iron poles.
Economy In Court House Design

This successful interpretation of a courtyard house grew out of the Electri-Living residential building program sponsored by Living For Young Homemakers together with local utility companies. Working with a mandatory budget of $18,000 or less (exclusive of lot), the architects faced a triple responsibility: to design a house at low cost which would (1) satisfy the emotional and spacial needs of an average young couple with two to four children; (2) accommodate the full electrical load of household appliances now on the market with allowances for additional equipment in the future; (3) be adaptable to the builder house market. A courtyard scheme was chosen in order to utilize all the available land space. The lot was walled-off in a rectangular shape and divided into sections, some enclosed for living areas and some left open. Space was organized to separate formal and informal living.
The living room (photo, far left), dining room, study (or guest bedroom), and master bedroom are separated from other areas by the kitchen utility core. A wall of walnut veneer in the living room lends an air of formality to the entertaining area; other interior walls are white gypsum wallboard.

Every room has its private courtyard (photo, left center). Glass walls and doors look onto the courtyards, which are floodlit by night. Concrete and gravel surfaces in the courtyards require little upkeep. Horizontal lattice-work over the courts breaks the glare of the sun. Natural lighting is accomplished in kitchen and baths by use of plastic skylights.

The family and music room (photo, left) is located in the informal zone along with the children's bedrooms and bath and a party patio. Floors are surfaced with off-white terrazzo.
The physical and psychological satisfactions which come from having fine electrical equipment in the home can be realized only if the electrical system has been given full consideration in the total planning. Otherwise, the house is liable to become so "soupéd-up" with gadgets that both space facilities and wiring systems are soon antiquated.

In planning this low-cost house, the architects treated the electrical system as an integral part of the design. There is a logical relationship between the system and other elements of the design which were affected by climate, family living patterns, individual requirements for varying degrees of natural and artificial lighting, and cost limitations. Not only is the wiring sufficient to meet existing demands, but allowance was made for equipment which might be added in the future or used temporarily.

A swivel floodlight (see "a" on plan) for each court is fixed beneath the overhangs (photo above). These lights maintain the indoor-outdoor relationship of the house at night and light activity areas.

The motor for the refrigerator is built into the wall above the freezer unit (see photo, above center). An electrical ventilator (photo, bottom) in the kitchen and bathrooms dissipates stale air.
Downlights, complemented by a plastic skylight which admits daylight, intensify brightness in the kitchen where a great deal of close-up work is done (see photo, top left). The sink counter (photo above), which serves as a partition and pass-through between the kitchen and dining area, is equipped with three sets of electrical outlets.

Refrigerator, oven, and range are built into the wall cabinetry (see photo top). The motor unit set above the freezer frees more space for food storage. Dimmers (photo bottom) which control the intensity of light are connected to downlights ("f" on plan).
Order On An Irregular Site

Much of the order and the amenities associated with costlier housing have been incorporated in the design of this strictly budgeted, easy to maintain house. An irregular site (such sites are frequently found at lower costs than flat, "perfect" sites) has been utilized in this case to gain an integral carport, to minimize excavation, and to provide a view in three directions. Only the entrance court to the west required landscaping, since the other sides of the house face or extend into natural wooded areas. The court itself is a privacy factor: an L-shaped fence of vertical wood posts sets off the court and obstructs the view from the street.

Planned and built in two stages, the house is an excellent example of how initial construction can be kept within a budget, and more space added logically later on. The new wing provides a master suite and utility room.
WILLIAM L. FLETCHER, ARCHITECT AND OWNER.

Location: Portland, Oregon.
H. L. Wooley, Mechanical Engineer.
Fred McCarroll, Contractor (original construction).
Ellis-Andrews, Contractors (addition).
The Fletcher House: Materials and Plan Produce Commodious Quality...

Materials used are natural and serviceable. The entrance court is formed of native plants (pines, ferns, etc.) together with gravel, rocks, and concrete paving. Exterior walls of the house are resawn cedar tongue-and-groove siding on 2 by 4 studs.

The wood frame structure, crisp and orderly, is painted white wherever exposed. Interior partitions are hemlock panels over 2 by 4 studs. Floors are cork tile in living areas.
The commodious quality of this house is stressed in the planning and in the use of materials, such as in the living room (photo right). Laminated fir strips form the walls and ceiling. Foundation for the fireplace is stone in cement; the metal hood was specially fabricated. High, narrow windows on the street side give way to full-length glass panels where the house faces secluded woods (photo below). Circulation is achieved with a minimum of space devoted to hallways (see plan at left). Two wood decks project out into shade trees.
The island counter (photo above) is equipped with pull-out trays for napkins and placemats, slots for storing knives along the chopping surface, and drawers for utensils, pans. All cabinets are walnut with white plastic laminate counter surfaces. Sliding doors on the upper cabinets are painted white (photo right). Floor is surfaced with 3/16-in cork tile.
A unified arrangement of kitchen, laundry, and utility room was developed in this house to cut down the housewife’s work load by saving steps, and to capitalize on available space. The kitchen and laundry were so well related in the original structure that only a minimum amount of readjusting was necessary in order to integrate the utility room when the new wing was added (broken line in plan at bottom left marks the end of original structure). The utility room provides space for ironing, for general storage, and for extra equipment (drip drying cabinets, ventilated mop closets, etc.) Washing and drying machines were moved from the counter where the 21- by 31-in. double sink and dishwasher are now located (and where plumbing was already available) to the north wall of the utility room. The island counter was then transformed into an eating bar and work counter with a cooking top. Separate access to the eating bar from the utility room, the master suite, and the living-dining areas keeps traffic out of the kitchen proper. The oven is near the dining area so foods can be served hot.

JOHN MACL. JOHANSEN, ARCHITECT.

Location: Connecticut.
Richard Kelly, Light Consultant.
Wenzel Co. Inc., Contractors.
James Fanning, Landscape Architect.
Disciplined Romanticism

This idyllic house blends two strong, yet often quite divergent trends: a rational, regulated neo-Palladian influence dominates the plan and balanced design; a decided romantic turn is obvious in the setting, bridge-like construction, vaulted roof, terracotta-colored stucco exterior (patterned with bas reliefs)—and gargoylees for downspouts. The central, glassed-in living pavilion is flanked by four masonry square wings, one at each corner. These wings zone the house for its various functions. One provides for servant’s room, kitchen and laundry. Another has three family bedrooms and a bath. A third has the master bedroom, dressing room and bath. The fourth contains a study-guest room, powder room, and a quiet, walled-in court. The wings have flat roofs and 9-ft-high ceilings, while the dominant central “living bridge” has three arches rising 13 ft from the floor. Finishes throughout are rich in tone: gold leaf on the vaulted ceiling, terrazzo floors, ebonized wood cabinets.
House In Connecticut: A Blend Of Comfort And Formality...
The four wings of the house offer quiet retreats, privacy from the open general living areas.

The master bedroom suite is ranged with built-in storage units, reducing furniture requirements to a minimum (photo far left).

The living room (above) is wide open to views up and down stream to pools and falls, terraces, another bridge, and very fine oak trees. Balconies run along either side, with access through four doors, sliding glass (left center).

The kitchen (near left) is unusually commodious, with multiple units of most of the standard fixtures. A breakfast nook is at the far end. Kitchen and all interior baths have skylights.
Above: the glass-walled living room bridge creates a highly pleasant, resort-like atmosphere.

Top right: plan for the steel and concrete bridge construction.

Right: cross section through center of bridge.

Below: longitudinal section through house, showing entrance, living and dining areas, passage.
Although this house would be effective in any setting, the one in which it is placed (see cover) highly dramatizes the central living pavilion. This unit is built as a simple steel and concrete bridge over the quiet, shallow stream which meanders through the property. The wings and retaining walls anchor it firmly, visually and in reality, to the banks of the stream. Sliding glass doors, which link it with balconies at either side, permit the entire bridge to be used as a sheltered, open-air terrace in fine summer weather. Doors are aluminum.

The bridge contains dining and living areas, separated by a bar and hi-fi cabinet. This space is extended at either end by front and rear entrance halls. Floors (including balconies) are gray-black terrazzo. Insulated, galvanized sheet metal ducts run beneath the bridge for forced hot air heating. The basement and retaining walls are reinforced concrete; concrete block is used for crawl spaces and to frame the rest of the house. The exterior walls are finished with integral color stucco. The fireplace and chimney are glazed brick. The vaulted roof has a gold leaf paper ceiling, aluminum accordion insulation, copper flashing. Gargoyles by sculptor Robert Engman serve as downspouts over the stream.
RICHARD E. BARINGER, ARCHITECT
Dr. and Mrs. Stanford R. Gamm, Owners.
Location: Highland Park, Illinois.
Arnold Pedersen, Contractor.
Rogers Follensbee, Heating Engineer.
Robert Zion, Landscaping Architect.
A Four-In-One Scheme

Privacy where needed, along with a maximum potential for indoor-outdoor living, were achieved in this house by creating well-defined zones for separation of family activities, and an harmonious balance of public and private courtyards. By joining three simple rectangular structures under one roof, four compounds were formed (children's bedrooms, parents' quarters, general living area, and garage and shop compound), each with its own courtyard. Both the children's compound and the master bedroom suite open onto private, walled-in courtyards. An outdoor terrace faces the family room.

The living, dining, and family areas flow into one space, interrupted only by the mechanical core in which is located the kitchen and utility room. From a pit in the living room, a dramatic, free-standing fireplace rises to the ceiling and sweeps through a 5-by-8-ft plastic skylight.
Separation of the three rectangular units is frankly expressed by low walls running beneath the beams. Construction is post and beam on 12 ft 4 in. centers with 3 in. wood decking and a built-up roof.

Night shot shows sliding glass interior walls of the master bedroom compound leading onto a private, walled-in garden. Fireplace flue is seen extending through the living area skylight; another skylight is above the inside bath.
Glass doors open from master bedroom (left) onto a walled-in courtyard for private indoor-outdoor living. Here the floor is vertical cedar. Interior walls are brick and natural cedar. Other floors are terrazzo.

The kitchen (right) is open to dining area and to the public terrace where informal meals are taken and entertaining is done. The house is heated by combination forced warm and cool air in a perimeter system.
The Gamm House: The Fireplace ...

a. Plastic skylight. b. Wood cant strip. c. Plastic foam insulation covered with plastic and stainless steel collars, copper flashing. d. Guy wire and turnbuckle to stabilize flue. e. Twelve gauge, stainless steel flue, 15-in. internal diameter. f. Rotating damper. g. Porcelain panels supported on 1-in. stainless steel angles, attached to base by anchor bolts. Size of the hood is 2 ft 8 in. at the bottom of the panels, 1 ft 4 in. at top. h. Hearth in white marble. i. Firebrick. j. Ceramic tile.
The usual household fixtures and equipment can, through creative design, be treated in unusual, interesting, and effective ways. Particular evidence can be found in the fireplace and flue construction for this house, and in the arrangement of the bathroom equipment.

To obtain the effect of an open fire beneath an open sky, the architect designed a free-standing fireplace, using standard parts, which extends through a 5- by 8-ft plastic skylight in the living room ceiling. The "open fire" was achieved by standing a porcelain-enameled steel hood, 2 ft 8 in. square at the base, over a 5- by 6½-ft raised marble hearth. The 12 gauge stainless steel flue (15-in. internal diameter) rises 6 ft to the plastic dome and extends about 3 ft beyond, where the flue is finally capped.

In the master suite bathroom, the architect has provided such luxuries as a step-down, sunken tub, separation of the bathing, toilet, and dressing areas, and gay, theatrical lighting of the dressing room mirror. Again, he has worked with mostly standard equipment to produce an unusual and pleasant effect.

The combination tub and shower stall is of ceramic tile, and is depressed 2 ft to form a sunken area. A 2-ft ledge is left along one wall for seating. The tub itself is about 3½ ft wide. An 8-ft-high glass wall separates the tub area from the private courtyard of the master suite. Drapes can be closed for additional privacy. One-inch tubes form a curtain rod, towel bar, and handrail leading down into the tub.

Cedar partitions separate the three bathroom areas (see plan below), and yet keep the areas within a unified space for easy circulation. The dressing counter, 30 in. high, is L-shaped for extra working space and includes within it the sink and built-in cabinets. A plastic ceiling lights the entire bathroom.

And The Bathroom—Creative Design For Standard Utilities
Variations On Space

A luxurious expression of space—usually difficult to achieve on a small budget—was created in this relatively small house through such means as a long, covered entrance walk, alternate low and high ceilings, screened porches, and a clerestory over inside rooms.

The house is oriented to the west in order to take in the view of Lake Charles. Entrance is from the east; the main living, sleeping, and dining areas face the lake at the rear of the house. Kitchen, utility room, baths, and storage are located inside near the front. A low ceiling along the east of the house gives way to the high, glass clerestory over inside rooms, then drops to the west wall, which is paneled glass. The variations in ceiling height and the admission of natural light to inside rooms effect a sharp visual change of pace from room to room. Sliding glass doors open onto three screened porches.
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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Hale, Owners.
Location: Lake Charles, Louisiana.
Earle Ginbey, Contractor.
The living area is separated partially from the dining area by a Mexican-brick fireplace. The open plan, plus the clerestory, makes the areas seem much larger than they actually are. A screened porch at either end of the living area increases its size, allows light, ventilation. Floors are cork; walls are plasterboard, walnut.

The equipment is fitted neatly into the U shape of the kitchen. Cabinets are suspended from the ceiling on the east side to allow a pass-through to the snack-bar. To the west, the kitchen opens onto the dining room. The clerestory, as well as windows to the south, admits natural light. The ceiling is fir decking, floor is vinyl.
Sliding glass doors separate the living area from its two screened porches, making the three areas seem like one. Bamboo curtains can be let down to cut sun glare but still allow fresh air to enter. Floors on the porches are quarry tile. Another porch at the northwest corner of the house serves the two bedrooms and offers a private, outdoor sitting area facing the lake.
The Hale House: Distinctive Canopy Forms a Low Cost Structure...

This 80-ft long covered walkway, seemingly a luxury item, actually serves several functional and psychological purposes in the design of a relatively small house. It provides a protected access to the front door which allows the carport and driveway to be well removed from the main building. It implies a psychological transition between car and house. It dramatizes the entrance and magnifies the size and visual impact of the façade. And, it affords a shaded outdoor living area within the garden approach. A simplified structural scheme coupled with the use of lightweight materials has kept the cost of the walkway at a minimum. As the drawings below illustrate, the structure is basically comprised of pipe columns, spaced at 8-ft intervals, which support a rigid corrugated asbestos roof. Each column is welded at the bottom to a 3-in. by 6-in. by \( \frac{1}{2} \)-in. steel plate and anchored in concrete at a 4-in. depth. The path and ramp are also concrete.
The ramp extension of the covered walk leads to a screened porch (above) which spans 47 ft of the front (east) elevation of the house. Ten fixed screen panels (each 3 1/2 ft wide by 8 ft high) and a pair of sliding screen panels (which serve as the front door) enclose the porch. An entrance gallery is left of the sliding glass panels in the photo above. When the panels are opened, the gallery and living area are exposed to fresh air while the porch screening protects against insects.

From the living area, the covered walkway is seen as a broad, long, and dramatic promenade. Horizontal roof support for the walkway is achieved by use of (1) cross bars of 1 1/4-in. pipe which complete the inverted U-shape of the columns; (2) four lengthwise bars of 1-in. pipe spaced at 2-ft intervals. The porch floor is quarry tile; ceiling is plywood decking on exposed beams. The smooth surface of plaster contrasts with the exposed brick and walnut paneling of the living area.
A High-Flying House

Lightly poised on tiny steel pins, this house for Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Starkey hovers quietly over its sloping site to command a panoramic view of Lake Superior. Marcel Breuer combines his typical ingredients of texture, pattern, sun and shadow, and a bi-nuclear plan, to create a design recognizably his, yet aptly suited to its owners and the locale. On the street front, the house presents a low, conservative façade (right), with the more spectacular effects (above) reserved for the garden side. The decorative qualities throughout the house are achieved entirely by accenting and contrasting the basic structure and materials. The zoned plan provides one wing for living, dining, kitchen and utilities—daytime activities and adult entertaining. The second wing houses bedrooms, baths, and a central playroom for the children. Beneath all this are enormous flagstone terraces, sheltered by the house.
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MARCEL BREUER, ARCHITECT.
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Location: Duluth, Minnesota.
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Weisenfeld & Hayward, Structural Engineers.
The Starkey House: A Zoned Plan Shelters Big Lower Terraces . . .

A living-service wing (study corner above) is linked to soundproofed bedroom and children's wing by glassed-in foyer. Each wing has a porch; children have a skylighted playroom. House is air conditioned, has hot air heating.
Bridges serve as major entrances to foyer and from garage to service area (left). Open-tread outside stairs and an interior one connect houses to lower terraces. All accent the light, floating quality of the main house.

The living room (below) is screened from dining area by sculptural two-way fireplace; opening at left is for charcoal burner. Furniture, mostly designed by Breuer or Knoll Associates, is low, trimly-styled. Windows are double-glazed, slide open.
The structure of the house is a dramatic factor in its design. Exposed laminated wood columns and girders rest lightly on eight steel pins which extend to bedrock, give decay and termite protection. Their function is stressed by contrasting the natural wood against the white house sandwiched between. The roof is suspended by steel hangers from the top girders, and surfaced with built-up felt, tar and gravel.

A quality of lightness is added to the exterior cypress walls by a vertical board and batten treatment, capped by a white plywood fascia, copper flashing. Insulation is mineral wool blankets. The unusual sunshade combines open wood slats and heat-absorbing glass. Colored panels on sliding tracks adjust to shade porch. Retaining walls and enclosures on the lower level are heavier, coarser textured fieldstone and brick to appear more earthbound. Porch handrails are teak, with stainless steel cable "rigging," and add a nautical touch to the house. The concrete foundation for the upstairs fireplace is tapered, and incorporates another fireplace and grille for the lower terraces. Windows are double-glazed and have impregnated sills for added protection.
The Starkey House: Structural Materials Give Bold Effects...

Contrasting materials, used with skill, add much warmth and interest. Close-ups below include (left to right): 1. blue rough silk wall, birch ceiling, wood columns; 2. rush matting, metal grille, raw silk curtains; 3. concrete fireplace with brush-hammered surface to expose marble and granite aggregate, white plaster flue; 4. vertical cloth blinds, recessed ceiling spotlights, dark-rimmed wall panels to stress non-structural character.
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How You Can Own a New Home
Discusses advantages of home ownership and offers suggestions for setting up a financial program for home purchase. 8 pp. West Coast Lumbermen's Assn., 1410 S. W. Morrison St., Portland 5, Ore.

Wood Folding Doors
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Certigrade Handbook of Red Cedar Shingles
Gives detailed information on characteristics, application, and finishing of red cedar shingles for roofing and siding. Specifications are also included. 100 pp. 50¢. Red Cedar Shingle Bureau, 5510 White Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash.

The Homebuilders Guide
... to Effective Sewage Disposal covers typical situations encountered in planning sewage facilities for single homes and developments. Examples of sewage pumping systems—and their solutions—are also included. 40 pp. Yeomans Brothers Co., Dept. S, 1999 N. Ruby St., Melrose Park, Ill.

Basement Pre-Planning
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Corbin Originals for Modern Doors
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Ekco Stainless Steel Kitchen Sinks (A.I.A. 29-H-6)
Illustrates, describes, and gives selection data for the complete line of Ekco stainless steel kitchen sinks. 12 pp. Ekco Products Co., Sink Div., Canton, Ohio

Modernize Your Home With Decorative Glass
Presents, with photographs and brief descriptions, a number of examples of the use of decorative glass in residences. 8 pp. Mississippi Glass Co., 88 Angelica St., St. Louis 7, Mo.

What Every Home Owner Should Know
... About Air Conditioning presents fundamentals of planning air conditioning systems for all-season comfort, describes types of equipment, and discusses factors to be considered in selecting the right system for a particular home. 12 pp. 10¢. Marketing & Promotional Dept., National-U.S. Radiator Corp., P. O. Box 1047, Johnstown, Pa.

Storage Ideas For Family Living
... With Bilt-Well Cabinet Units (A.I.A. 35-C-12) Describes and illustrates a wide variety of storage units and cabinet accessories for kitchens and other areas of the home, with typical installations shown in full color. 16 pp. Carr, Adams & Collier Co., Dubuque, Iowa

Hardware for the Home (A.I.A. 27-C)

Hidden Heating With Baseboard Convectors
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Masonite Products: A Guide for Architects

Doors That Radiates Charm
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Residential Electric Heating Product Guide

Wood-Mode Kitchen Planning Guide
Catalog-workbook gives six steps in kitchen planning; illustrates kitchen installations, cabinet colors and wood finishes, and cabinet and accessory units. 16 pp. 25¢. Wood-Mode Kitchens, Kreamer, Snyder County, Pa.

Fireplaces of Stone (A.I.A. 22-A-2)
Illustrates, in black-and-white and full color, the use of stone for various types of residential fireplaces. 22 pp. Building Stone Institute, 420 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

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Plywood Wall Paneling
Illustrates and describes various kinds of install-it-yourself plywood panels that come prefinished and packaged. Approximate costs are given. 18 pp. Georgia-Pacific Corp., Dept. 13A, Equitable Bldg., Portland 4, Ore.

Kitchen Built-Ins (A.I.A. 30-D-1)
Describes and illustrates hood fans, exhaust fans, a motorized food preparation center, and a clock-door chime. 16 pp. Also available are similar booklets on bathroom built-ins and door chimes (A.I.A. 29-1 and 31-1-13; 8 pp. each). NuTone, Inc., Madison and Red Bank Rds., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

How to Plan a Trend-Setting Kitchen
Kitchen layouts using built-in equipment are described and illustrated in this booklet that shows actual kitchens. 16 pp. Reeco, Inc., Deerfield, Mich.

Better Homes Are Built of Wood
Discusses practical and aesthetic advantages of wood framing, siding, windows, flooring, paneling, etc. Text is supplemented by photographs and drawings showing typical uses of wood in residences. 32 pp. National Lumber Mfrs Assn., 1319 18th St., N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

Choosing the Right Home for Your Family
Provides a "check list" of points to consider in building or buying a home, with topics ranging from financing, through comfort and convenience features, to furnishings and future expansion. 64 pp. 50¢. Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Toledo 1, Ohio

102 Ways to Make Awkward Kitchens Behave
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Nevamar Carefree Kitchens (A.I.A. 35-C-12)
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Craft Shower Cabinets (A.I.A. 35-H-6)
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