

Reserve Room For Dishwasher

A modern built-in electric dishwasher usually is one of the first appliances called for in kitchen remodeling. But, if for some reason its purchase must be postponed, families should plan to make its future installation as simple and inexpensive as possible.

The key is to provide a cabinet next to the sink into which a dishwasher can be installed later, and have the plumbing and wiring done during remodeling.

Repair Drives, Walks Damaged By Cold, Snow

Cold weather combined with heavy snow is extremely hard on cement walks, driveways and patios. It's recommended, therefore, that you make a careful check of your property each spring to determine what repairs, if any, will be needed.

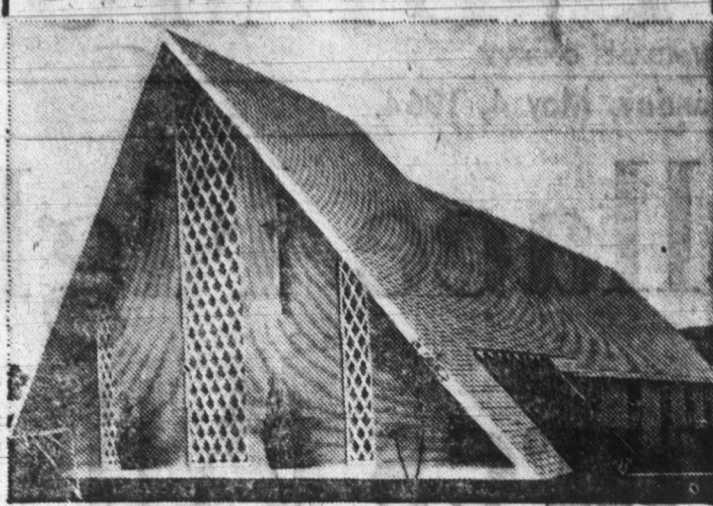
Many of the small jobs, cracked sidewalks and the like, can be handled by the handyman. Ready-mix cements make these jobs relatively easy nowadays.

The only tools and supplies needed for most cement repair jobs and a trowel, mixing paddle, and a galvanized steel pail. You simply mix the ready-mix cement with water right in the pail and apply with the trowel, as you would regular cement. When you're through, wash out the pail before the cement hardens.

Alternate Paneling For Nice Effect

For an interesting effect in a recreation room, alternate hardwood panels of a selected wood-grain with Marbledone, a textured panel in the motif of tra-

Texas Church Stars



CLEAN LINES AND QUALITY MATERIALS are combined effectively in the new Asbury Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas. Walls are of Mexican brick. Roof of pastel brown asphalt shingles meets fire resistance requirements of the Uniform Building Code, which has been adopted by 900 communities, mainly in the West and Southwest. The code is dedicated to the development of better building construction and greater safety to the public.

vertine marble, advises the Masonite Home Service Bureau. Both are factory-finished and easy to maintain by occasional wiping with a damp cloth. The low-cost, durable panels are available at most lumber and building supply yards.

Aid To Campers

It's a good idea to include a galvanized steel utility basket on your list of camping supplies. You can use it both as a packing container and later, for washing, bathing and carrying water or fire wood.

CONVERTED GARAGE ADDS SPACE

Looking for more space? One of the most practical ways to add an extra room to a house is to oust the car from the attached garage and convert parking space into living room. A relatively inexpensive carport will take care of the dispossessed car.

A big problem in remodeling a garage—what to do with the door—can be solved by replacing it with a window—or windows—and siding to blend with the rest of the house.

Many types of ponderosa pine windows are available in stock sizes to suit various needs and tastes. Traditional double-hung wood windows may be used, or, if it's a two-car garage, a large, fixed window can be flanked with two smaller, double-hung units. A new bow window where the garage door used to be will improve the exterior appearance and add to interior space. Ponderosa pine shutters painted to match house trim add a decorative touch.

Wood windows are available with double-glazing (insulating glass), which pays off in lower heating bills and increased winter comfort. In all but the most

frigid climates, double-glazing eliminates the need for separate storm sash.

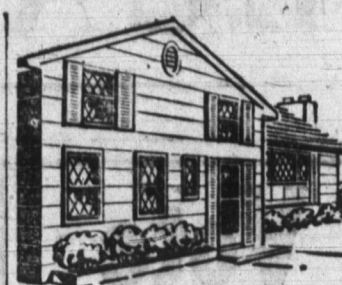
Since wood is a natural insulating material, it blocks heat loss and is virtually free of the condensation that plagues home owners with other types of window sash and frames.

If a door is required, a trip to a building materials dealer will turn up a variety of pre-packaged panel doors of wood that are already hung in frames. They can be installed quickly and will fit well.

For an indoor-outdoor feeling,



BEFORE. This development house has attached garage next to small family room.



AFTER. Garage door is removed and wood windows with diamond grilles installed.

the new sliding wood patio doors can be used. These units glide easily, fit tightly to keep out driving wind and rain, and provide both a door and a big expanse of window. Most sliding wood patio doors are double glazed.

A must for year-round comfort is adequate insulation. To be sure of using the right amounts in the right places, follow the Quality Home Requirements of the National Mineral Wool Insulation Association. Properly installed, mineral wool insulation will help keep the new room cool in summer and warm and draft-free in winter.

The use of both adequate insulation and double-glazed wood windows often makes it possible to heat a new room with the existing heating system. This eliminates the expense of adding an auxiliary heating system or installing a new, larger one.

Thorough insulation and double-glazed wood windows, studies show, combine to pare both heating and cooling costs to the bone. Savings often equal initial cost in a few years, and these savings keep on piling up as long as you own the house.

These quality improvements also add to the house's resale value and make it easier to sell.



AFTER. Wood bow window floods enlarged family room with light and adds feeling of space.

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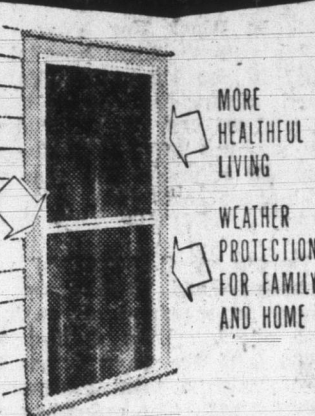
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Three-Deck Playhouse Thrills Kids

A playhouse with an observation deck, a penthouse playroom with balcony and a ground floor with balcony for toys will thrill the kiddies.

Working from a free plan available from the Masonite Home Service Bureau, Dad can build this unusual playhouse of lumber framing and Weatherall hardboard paneling in a week-end.

It will provide years of fun, as its features are designed to appeal even to older children.

The size is 6' wide, 8' long and 78" high. Built-in ladders give access to the second floor and observation deck.

A sloping panel of Masonite Weatherall, a smooth, splinter-free hardboard, can be installed across the front to serve as a slide or a ramp between the second floor and ground level.

Four doors furnish easy entry to the 4' x 8' storage area, part of which can be appropriated for storing garden tools.

For a copy of free plan AE-392, write the bureau at 29 North Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill., 60606.

Tub Sets Solve Space Problem

Housewives with limited space for a laundry center in their basements can take advantage of the portable laundry tubs sets which are available.

These large tubs, made of durable galvanized steel, can be moved into position on wash day, and then rolled back into a storage area when not in use. The tubs sets are mounted on stands equipped with casters. They are available in single and double tub sizes and have convenient drain outlets.

Peek-Through Inside Shutters Dress Windows

Since inside shutters are making a comeback, here's an idea for an attractive peek-through type.

Such shutters, in pairs, cover only the lower sash.

Materials, ready for easy fabrication, are available at lumber and building supply yards. Ask for Masonite filigree panels in either cloveleaf or camelot design, and matching moldings.

Readily fitted together, the panels and molding should be primed and painted on both sides and then hinged to the window framework.

When closed, they will let through diffused light. In the open position, they form an in-

Dishwasher Adds Counter Space

Added counter space is a bonus that comes along with the extra hours many convertible electric dishwashers provide.

The counter-height top of the dishwasher, which may be a chopping block if the housewife chooses, gives her more kitchen working area.

Since dirty dishes are loaded right into the dishwasher after meals, the sink and adjoining counters are kept clear, too.

interesting framework.

An overhead window valance, backlit by a fluorescent fixture, is another way to improve a window's appearance. Make it of the filigree hardboard mounted in the factory-grooved framework.

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