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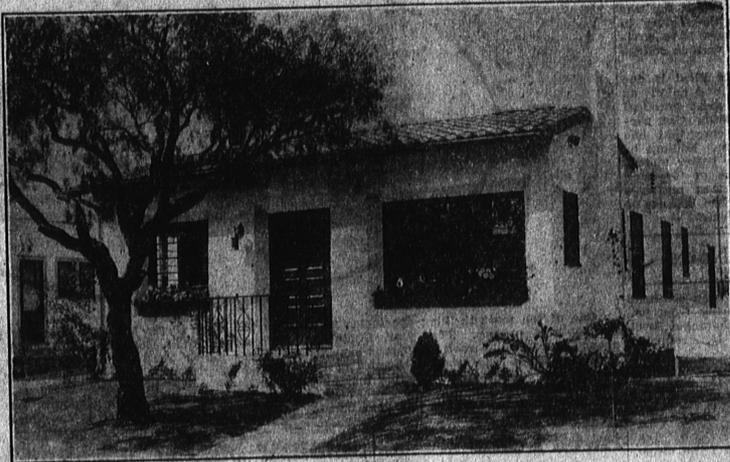
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"Little Dream House"



B. C. Buxton, Builder

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At 1515 Arlington avenue, just around the corner from El Prado stands the "little dream house" as it has been called by many who have had the opportunity of seeing it.

This little home, built by B. C. Buxton for his brother-in-law, G. H. Tyson, is an example of what can be done to make a small home as attractive as a large one.

The architecture is typically Spanish with a low, red tiled overhanging roof with rafters showing and front door deeply recessed. The stucco is almost smooth, oyster white in color, with window frames of dark green and screens and window boxes of tobacco brown.

The yard is attractively planted in shrubs and rose trees and the variegated flowers in the window boxes speak a welcome to the visitor.

Entering by an iron railed porch, through a paneled mahogany door one sees a living room and dinette 12 1/2 by 27 feet.

The wall finish is Spanish in texture—like the walls in the old Spanish haciendas. The ceilings are coiled and paneled and the color is deep ivory with faint tiffany tones. There are built-in niches for radio and telephone.

The doors and woodwork are of Philippine mahogany in a light to tobacco brown—full finish. At one end of the living room is a plain mantel with a heavy mahogany plank top and the fireplace framed in 6 inch picture moulding finished in the wall color.

At each side of the mantel are mahogany book shelves and over these shelves are casement windows. At the east end of the dinette is a deeply recessed archway which frames two closely set casement windows, as well as a built-in buffet which is antique green in color.

There are windows on three sides of the living room and dinette. The fixtures are wrought-iron torches with amber globes.

Opening double glass doors in the living room, one discovers a wall bed which pivots out into the living room, disclosing a large

dressing room provided with a dressing table, mirror and ample space for clothing and hats. Another door from the living room leads into a soft-shaded two-toned orchid bedroom, 13x12 with two windows overlooking El Prado.

Off this bedroom is a windowed dressing room, 6 feet by 8 feet, in the same coloring, with a built-in cabinet and ample storage for clothing. In fact the closet and storage space in this little house is most ample.

The bath room, opening off the bedroom, has a floor of pink and gray tile and the walls shade from the tile pink at the base to the palest pink at the top. There is a black tile shoe-base, and black tile outlines the Fernbrook tub.

The woodwork is soft gray with pink panels.

There is a Venetian mirrored medicine cabinet in addition to a built-in linen cabinet, also a fan-latticed box for bottled linens.

The tub, lavatory, toilet and towel bars are white porcelain. A door leads from the bath into the screen porch so that one need not pass through the bedroom to reach the bath. From the dinette, a swing door opens into a charming kitchen in two shades of pastel green.

The sink under two windows, is in white tile with soft green trim.

There are these built-in features in the kitchen:

Ice box with cooling cabinet above, cabinets under sink with divided drawers for knives, forks, etc., covered in oak drawer, covered in bread drawer, shelves for pots and pans with rack for covers, flaps under sink equipped to hold soap, cleaning powder and dish cloth, ironing board and metal box for iron, large kitchen cabinet with shelves above and drawers below.

In screen porch, laundry tub, broom closet and instantaneous hot water heater.

The floors are hard wood, rather dark in color, with green-tone inlaid linoleum in kitchen and screen porch.

There is a large two car garage in the rear.

Torrance Leads in Increase of Realty Transfers in April

During the month of April Torrance led all Southern California in the percentage of gains in real estate transfers. This fact is revealed in the current issue of the Building Bulletin of Los Angeles, which contains a survey of the real estate market.

The survey declares:

"April witnessed a slight decrease in volume of real estate transfers, compared with the preceding month, only 12 of the cities throughout the county enjoying exceptional activity, compared with 26 in March. The realty market was fairly active in 13 of the other communities, but somewhat sluggish in the remaining 18 cities.

"Taking the first four months of the year as an average, a number of cities showed a striking increase in the volume of realty transfers last month, notably, Torrance with 47%, Montebello, 53%, Claremont 50%, San Fernando 49% and El Monte 40%. Los Angeles, City showed an increase of 2%, Long Beach 3% and Pasadena 1%. Figures relative to activity in Bell were not available."

During the month the following real estate transactions concerning Torrance property were recorded: deeds, 66; mortgages, 3; trust deeds, 40. In March the record was as follows: deeds, 24; mortgages, 3; trust deeds, 32.

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