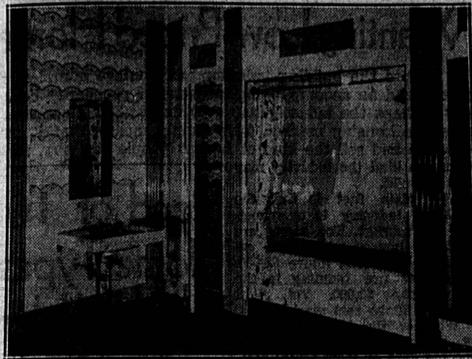


GLASS WALLS FOR THE BATH



Modern bathroom with walls of cararra structural glass; decorative cararra trim in contrasting color. Floor of linoleum and separate toilet compartment with full-length mirror door.

BEAUTIFUL BATH-ROOMS NOW EASILY ACHIEVED

DOES your bathroom need to have its face lifted? Or are you building that second bathroom that the family have needed for so long? It wouldn't be a bad idea to do both at one time, for it costs less to have both jobs done at once, besides eliminating the nuisance of having things torn up twice.

If so, fixtures will probably be your first consideration. The manufacturers of these have done such a good job that it will be chiefly a matter of choosing the sizes and styles to fit your room. Even the less expensive lines are well-styled, though this is one item in which too low price is never an economy. Get the best your budget can stand, whether you prefer gleaming white or a soft pastel shade.

After the fixtures and their placing have been settled, the walls are the next problem. If possible, they should be of some permanent substance like tile or structural cararra glass. These provide a lasting, easily cleaned surface that cannot readily be marred or harmed by water. Cararra glass has the added advantage of never cracking or coming loose. Due to the special type of construction used in installing it, you have a

permanent life-time finish. Both of the above may be had in several pastel shades as well as black or white.

If every expenditure must be kept down, waterproof wall-paper or flat paint in a pleasing tint are other alternatives. In some cases good effects may be obtained by combining the two. Use, for example, a plaid design paper in soft shades of rose and gray on two walls. Paint the other two in a solid rose to match the paper.

Be sure to place the lights so that unnatural shadows are eliminated for shaving or make-up. The best lights for a mirror are indirect and placed at the side. And speaking of mirrors, here's a suggestion for the home with young children who are too short to see as high as the regular mirror: fasten a narrow strip of mirror on the wall space above the wash-basin and below the medicine chest. It will help decrease the areas of unwashed neck and decorations of overlooked tooth-paste foam.

Wall recesses with plate glass shelves will help take care of the overflow from the medicine chest, and more especially those tall bottles that won't fit there anyway. If towel storage space is limited, you may be able to work in a window seat for that purpose built fairly high and with a cushioned top that will at the same time be useful in dressing small children.

Values of Land Advancing

Local Realtors Agree With Babson About Construction Boom

"A sharp increase in real estate values in the next few years is inevitable," wrote Roger Babson, famed business analyst, a few weeks ago. "We are starting on the upgrade of a long, cyclical recovery in property values. Current reports from all sections of the country show that real estate activity is much greater than a year ago and that prices are now definitely headed higher."

"Prospective homeowners should buy or build now and renters should secure long-term leases."

Babson is right, according to Torrance real estate operators. They have noted that the "slack" in realty markets has been taken up, that land prices today are from 15 to 20 percent higher than a year ago and they believe that the boom now getting under way will center largely around low-cost-housing projects.

Best Sanctuary

The signs of a real estate surge may be read by liberals and conservatives alike. For liberals there is the fact that the Home Owners' Loan Corporation has taken most of the distress property off the market. The days of foreclosure bargains are rapidly passing.

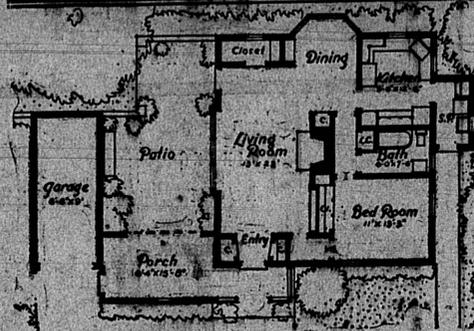
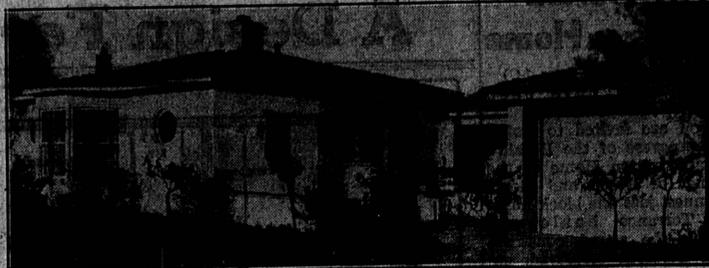
As prices on existing structures reach the point where it is more advantageous to build than to buy, then another powerful force, already becoming apparent, toward a construction boom will be in operation.

For conservatives, studies of currency inflation in other countries show conclusively that real estate has suffered the least of any type of investment. While wild inflation is not a probability in this country, nevertheless the modest home with a plot of land will always prove to be the best sanctuary in any storm.

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CALIFORNIA COTTAGE WINS CONTEST



Number one in popular favor of the six houses now displayed on the grounds of the House and Garden Show, on Wilshire Boulevard just east of Fairfax in Los Angeles, is the California Cottage shown here, which was accorded eleven thousand of the forty-five thousand votes cast in a recent house popularity contest.

Illustrating a compact plan and an efficient use of materials, the design shown above is adapted from the old California hacienda type dwelling. The home is built of reinforced hollow concrete block construction with a roof of shingle tile. The exterior walls are brush-coated a light yellow with trim of white. Outstanding features of the design include the large bay window on the garden side of the house, balanced on either side by two round, port-hole type windows, and the enclosed patio which may be used as an outdoor living room.

The plan includes a large living room with the dining bay adjoining, a kitchen, bedroom, and bath. At one end of the living room are two coat closets which form an entry into the

house, and at the other end a decorative powder room. The larger closet, which may be used for a disappearing bed, or, as shown in the exhibition, as a

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Heating has Many Developments

Heating systems in modern homes have gone far beyond the day when a furnace was expected merely to heat a house. The modern units will heat, cool, humidify and clean the air in any house.

The attractive designs that most of these heating units come in, combined with the fact that they are clean and require no dirt-collecting fuel storage space make them a welcome addition to the home where an old type furnace would prevent utilizing the basement for recreation space.

HERALD'S HOME PASSES FIRST OF 3 TESTS

First of the three inspections of The Herald's Demonstration Home to be made by qualified overseers of the Federal Housing Administration (in addition to the regular city inspections) has been made.

This was of the foundation of the five-room structure and the FHA inspectors found the work in A-1 condition, it is reported. The next FHA test of the building will be the roughed-in structure and the final survey will be a complete examination of the whole house from roof to foundation.

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