

STUCCO HOME OF PLEASING LINES

Many Attractive Features Are Seen in This Design.

ROOMS ARE LIGHT AND AIRY

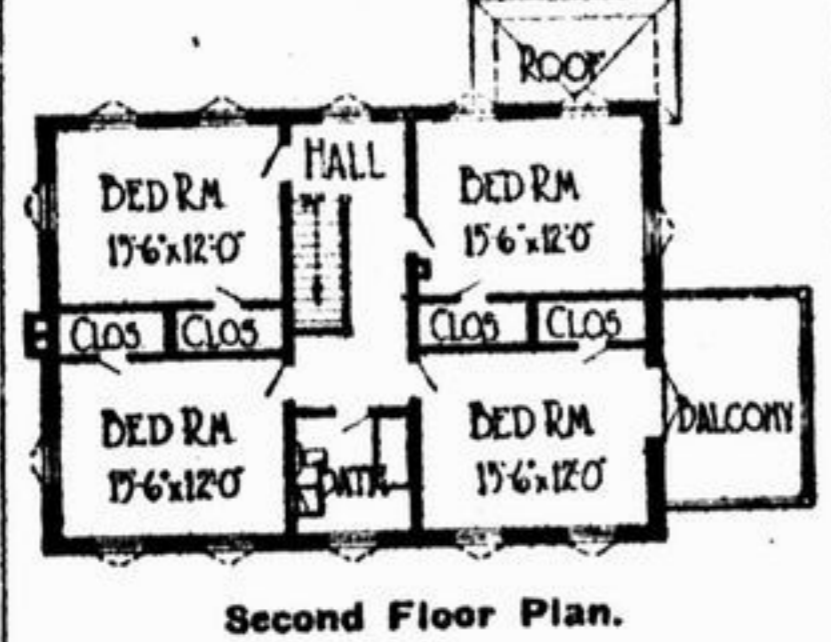
House is Built of Hollow Tile With Stucco Exterior and Presents a Very Appealing Picture—Not Expensive to Build.

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When the word "home" is mentioned today it immediately arouses the intense interest of most people. For uppermost in the minds of hundreds of thousands is the question of where they are going to live. Building has been at a standstill since before the war. Rents have been soaring until they have reached a point where many cannot pay. Naturally they turn to the thought which they had ignored years before, viz., that of buying or building a home. Once established in a house of their own, their worries over landlords, increased rents, etc., cease. And in view of the shortage existing today more people than ever before are giving the idea of building a "home of your own" very serious consideration. A man who owns his home is not liable to become a Bolshevik, on the contrary he is more than liable to become a very serious-minded citizen taking an active interest in civic affairs and jealously guarding the interests of his community. No one ever went to war over a boarding house, but men all through the centuries have died defending their homes. That is the beauty of home ownership, that is the feature that makes it essential to the continued welfare and progress of any nation. One of the most attractive materials that can be used in home construction.

small breakfast nook where informal meals can be served without much trouble. There is also a small lavatory at the end of the reception hall. Upstairs the sleeping rooms are located, four in all. One bedroom opens out onto a balcony over the sun parlor. These bedrooms are all of about the same size, 15 feet 6 inches by 12 feet, and have windows on two sides. Very often in the construction of a home the ventilation facilities of the sleeping rooms are overlooked or not taken care of. This, however, is not the case in this dwelling. Each bed-



Second Floor Plan.

room has splendid lighting and ventilation facilities. A supply of fresh air circulates through the rooms at night. According to present reports from all parts of the country a real building boom is under way. Many disputes over wages and building material prices have been amicably settled and work which has been held up for several years is getting under way. In this town as well as in many others the housing problem has been the leading one for most people. That is why there will be a glad sigh of relief when work actually starts again. The time to get the design of the house you want is now, and as a suggestion, the beautiful, immaculate white stucco home shown here is hard to beat. It embodies comfort, charm and convenience, three essentials in a happy home.

LOST APPETITE—FOR SUGAR

Little Happening Aunt Mary Witnessed Responsible for Disappearance of "Sweet Tooth."

Aunt Mary is an immaculate housekeeper. She is constantly going about after her servants to see that everything is clean and in order. Since prohibition and the high cost of sugar she has been more than annoyed to find the sugar spoon constantly covered with a thick coat of sugar. She had admonished the

The BACKYARD FARMER

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THAT ABANDONED FARM.

I know four men and one woman who actually have acquired abandoned farm lands in the East, with the idea that they are going to rejuvenate those farms and grow healthy and wealthy in the process. Also, I am acquainted with about nineteen more people who have the same idea, but have not yet backed it up with their money. How many times have you thought you would like to do it yourself? There is a fatal fascination in farming for most city people who have had an opportunity to become acquainted with the pleasant side of this oldest of the arts. As everyone knows, the East and the South are full of once profitable farms, which have been actually deserted by their owners, because they could not make a living and pay taxes from the fruits of the soil. These abandoned farms can be counted, literally, by the thousands. They are as fair to look upon as they ever were, save for the crops, and some of them can be purchased, buildings and all, for the value of the back taxes.

Along comes a newspaper farmer telling us of the wonderful possibilities of bringing these lands back to their original fertility, or even better, by plowing deeply, summer fallowing, growing clovers, green manuring, subsoiling, dynamiting, buying fertilizer, and many other methods. The railroads serving this territory, and even the state authorities, are doing everything in their power to get these lands under profitable cultivation again, as here lies vast wealth, if it can only be properly used.

What then are the possibilities of buying a worn out farm in a good neighborhood, near a good city, for about \$25 an acre, and by careful, scientific farming make a living, and at the same time increase the productivity of the soil to a point where it is worth \$100 an acre? The success of such a venture depends, primarily, upon two general factors—the degree of the land's exhaustion, and the ability and patience of the man who undertakes the job. Nitrogen can be returned to the land easier and cheaper than either of the other two important plant foods, hence one need not worry over its lack in the worn soil. If potash and phosphorus be very deficient, it is a much more serious question, because they must be purchased, and in many cases the cost of the fertilizer will equal the value of the crop.

The man who undertakes such a task must be prepared to wait long for results, and work hard while he waits. It cannot be done well by hired help entirely, and final success is a matter of years. Worn soil, which still possesses the ability to come back in a mighty good investment at the regular price, and the quickest way to bring most worn soils back to a profitable producing point is to feed them the necessary fertilizers to make them produce crops while you are waiting, and in addition, put on all of the barnyard manure, and turn under all of the green clover crops that you possibly can. Many a man has started a dairy on such a farm, buying most of his feed, and brought the land back to fertility with the manure from the dairy herd.

Keep Anniversaries.

The happiest households are those that do not let die out the sentiment connected with various anniversaries. Although gift giving or recognition of such events in a suitable way may be out of the question owing to the strained circumstances of those "within the gates," there can yet be a little air of festivity when mother's or father's birthday comes round or some wedding anniversary is to be celebrated. An extra dish, a little bunch of flowers or some special music prepared for the occasion will show the kindly spirit and the loving remembrance that count far more than the money value of any gift. As the children grow up, if these festivals are encouraged, they will have much to look forward to and much more to remember in the years to come when they go out to do battle with the world and find that sentiment is crushed under foot and affection is regarded only as a side issue.—Exchange.

The Soaker.

Secretary Bryan, at a recent banquet, nearly drank a glass of champagne in mistake for his favorite pineapple juice.

To a young lady who ventured to quiz him on this contretemps the other day, Mr. Bryan said: "I felt frightfully guilty and dejected as I put down the champagne which I had so nearly drunk. I felt quite like old Soaker.

"Old Soaker, you know, went one day to buy a penknife. The dealer offered him a knife with four blades and a corkscrew, but he refused it, saying: "No—hic—no. Gimme knife with—hic—four corkscrews and a blade."

Lady Jurors.

"Mabel, I'm drawn on the grand jury."
"So am I, Gertrude."
"Our responsibilities will be heavy."
"I realize that. What shall we wear?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Old Officials Are Re-Appointed at Meeting Monday Night Beside Regular Routine.

Regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Ill. Present at roll call Mayor W. C. Barber and Commissioners Bender, Haller, Bryce and Heartt.

Minutes of the meeting of April 25, 1921, were read and Commissioner Haller moved to approve same. On roll call Commissioners Haller, Bender, Heartt, Bryce and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Heartt presented the semi-monthly pay roll for the period from April 15 to April 30, 1921, and various bills, and moved to approve same and have warrants drawn for the several amounts as follows:

PAY ROLL April 15 to April 30, 1921. Dept. of Accounts & Finances: Chas. M. Hitch—Salary \$70.00, M. Venard 57.50, Louis Callahan 57.50, A. B. Snow 7.50, William Bender 4.21, Harry W. Bryce 4.21, Charles Haller 4.21, I. G. Heartt 4.21, W. C. Barber 10.34, C. Ford Davis 15.00. Dept. of Public Affairs: P. Nelson—Sal.-Pkways \$16.00, S. Budzik 18.00. Dept. of Streets & Public Imp.: P. Nelson (Streets)—Salary \$28.00, S. Budzik 32.00. Dept. of Public Property: H. L. Thompson—Salary \$45.00, Ola Irwin 65.00, Extra time 12 hours 9.72, Wilber Dunn—Salary 60.00, Extra time 4.50, H. C. Hicks—Salary 60.00, Earl Watkins 67.50, Extra time 23 hours 19.32, Andrew Sheber, 104 hrs. labor 52.00, Frank Allen—Salary 95.00. Dept. of Accounts & Finances: Petty Cash, April acct. \$ 5.00, Addressograph Co., Bill A3560 4.33, Bill No. 881916 1.56, M. W. Mills Printing Co., 5-1 7.75, J. D. Gillespie & Co., 5-1 .85, Downers Grove Pub. Co., 5-1 32.75. Dept. of Public Affairs: Downers Grove Pub. Co., 5-1 \$22.90.

Legal Adviser Pub. Co., 4-6. 10.97, C. Ford Davis—Sal.-Election 6.00, J. R. Foster 6.00, Harold H. Clarke 6.00, L. A. Cox 6.00, W. D. Herrick 6.00. Dept. of Health & Safety: Petty Cash, April acct. \$.20, Edgar D. Otto, Bill 4-14 95.60, Bill 5-2 102.33, Lord Lumber Co., Bill 4-25 400.00, J. D. Gillespie & Co., Bill 5-1 3.55, Fred Heinke—Salary-Fire 15.00, Famous Clothers, Bill 4-5 30.50. Dept. of Streets & Improvements: Buschman Bros., Bill 5-2 \$168.00, Mertz Mochel, Bill 4-1 7.25, John McMahon, Bill 5-1 184.00, J. D. Gillespie Co., Bill 5-1 .41, Edgar D. Otto, Bill 4-15 400.00. Dept. of Public Property: Petty Cash, April acct. \$120.16, Standard Oil Co., Bill F72321 3.80, J. D. Gillespie Co., Bill 4-30 105.00, Bill 5-1 9.90, Fred Heinke, Bill 4-2 68.92, Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co., 4-18 6.58, Raymond Lead Works, 4-12 40.00, The Texas Co., Bill No. 44 365.66, Monarch Electric Wire Co., Bill No. 74610 25.20, Bill No. 74709 6.62, Bill No. 74645 135.00, Bill No. 74097 84.28, H. Mueller Mfg. Co., 13951 22.03, Sinclair Refining Co., Bills No. 285017 75.97, Bill No. 285026 32.83, Bill No. 284581 101.06, Kidwell Garage Co., Bill 4-31 117.33, Western Electric Co., Bills Bill No. JVD 808780 40.74, Bill No. GVD 822983 31.60, V. Fredenhagen, May rent 30.00, Ill. Bell Tel. Co., Bill 5-1 .50, Busch-Sulzer Engine Co., Note No. 17 308.75, Light Dept., Public Light. 12.05, Pumping Bill 453.69, On roll call Commissioners Heartt, Haller, Bender, Bryce and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried. Commissioner Bender moved to appoint I. G. Heartt Commissioner of Accounts and Finances for the year 1921. On roll call all voted Aye. Motion carried. Commissioner Heartt moved to appoint William Bender Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Haller moved to appoint Harry W. Bryce Commissioner of Public Property for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Bryce moved to ap-

point Charles Haller Commissioner of Public Health and Safety. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Heartt moved to appoint A. B. Snow Village Attorney for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Bender moved to appoint C. Ford Davis Village Treasurer for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Haller moved to appoint Michael Venard Chief of Police for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Haller moved to appoint Louis Callahan as night policeman for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Heartt moved to appoint Chas. M. Hitch Village Clerk and Collector for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Haller moved to appoint Henry C. Dicke Chief of Fire Department for the year 1921. Motion carried. All voting Aye. Commissioner Bender moved to adjourn to the next regular meeting date May 9th, 1921. On roll call Commissioners Bender, Bryce, Haller, Heartt and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried. Chas. M. Hitch, Village Clerk.

Liquid Soap for Cleaning Carpet. Take two bars of white soap chopped fine and melted in one quart of hot water. When almost cold, add a teaspoonful of ammonia. When ready to wash or scrub the carpet, put a little ether into the mixture. Keep it well corked and add half a cupful of the mixture to a large pailful of tepid water. It makes a powerful lather. Wipe the carpet off with clear water.

Machine Scrapes Off Paint. In the renovation of an automobile the greatest labor is in removing the old paint, which was formerly done by hand at a considerable expense of time and labor. This is now performed by a machine which does the work in a very effective manner and very quickly.

Integrity First of All. Integrity is the first step to true greatness. Men love to praise, but are slow to practice it—to maintain it in high places costs self-denial; in all places it is liable to opposition, but its end is glorious, and the universe will yet do it homage.—C. Simmons.

Origin of Pensioners. The practice of pensioning or insuring sick and wounded soldiers is said to have been started in England by Oliver Cromwell.



one that lends itself to a very wide range of treatment is stucco, either magnesite or portland cement. This material can be applied equally successfully over frame, hollow tile, brick or concrete tile. The beautiful home shown in the accompanying illustration is built of hollow tile with stucco exterior and presents a very pleasing and appealing picture, one that will demand the attention of every sincere homeseeker.

This house is built on square lines with a hip roof, a type of architecture that has many advantages the most prominent one being its economy in cost. There are no special alcoves or bay windows that require special work, and consequently the cost does not mount up into large figures. One of the striking features of this house is the sun parlor at one side. It is accessible from the outside through artistic French doors which are also found in the living rooms. On the first floor are three large and



comfortable rooms, the living room, dining room, and kitchen. The living room is a great spacious room, 15 feet 6 inches by 28 feet, designed to be the recreation center and play room of the family and friends. At one side is an open brick fireplace and on both ends are doors with supplementary casement windows. This room extends the full depth of the house. It is reached from the reception hall which also opens into the dining room on the opposite side. This room is not quite as large as the living room, but ample for the needs of a real family. It opens into the sun parlor through French doors. Directly to the rear of this room is the kitchen. Conveniently close by is a

members of her family to be more careful in the use of the spoon, and not to dip it into their tea, but to no avail—the spoon continued to carry its coat, and aunt in her despair had come to dissolving this coat in her own tea.

This continued until one day, to aunt's nauseating disgust, she happened into the pantry just as a spoonful of sugar had disappeared into the servant's mouth and the spoon was being thrust back into the bowl.—Indianapolis News.

Good Use for Airplanes.

Thirty-three per cent of the 196 forest fires sighted and reported last year by airplanes operated from Sacramento, Cal., by the United States forest service, were located within a quarter of a mile of the exact place, as was later determined by actual surveys on the ground. Ten per cent of the total number of fires was discovered by the air patrol before the rangers were aware of them. Forty-two per cent was reported by radio, while planes were in the air. Besides acting as reporters, the planes were used to direct fire fighting operations and to patrol fire lines which were built but needed watching. If the planes reported a line to be clear, the fire fighters were kept at work elsewhere, but if the observer reported that the fire had broken away, a force of men could be rushed to the spot at once.

Child Critics Wreck Show.

The modern child had its innings the other day in a theater at Halle, Germany.

A company had been brought from Munich to give a matinee performance of a fairy play and the theater was packed with children. They, however, considered the piece silly and the scenery and dresses inadequate. Making a tremendous uproar, they demanded their money back.

By the time the police arrived and cleared the theater, the children had broken up most of the seats.

Not Worried.

He—"If I were to die you'd never get another husband like me."
She—"What makes you imagine I should ever want another like you?"—London Mail.

The Home

In the vision of our inspiration, home is a grand spot which encompasses all of our most lofty ideals.

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