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The determination to build a home is not arrived at hastily; and after that object has been fixed in mind there is required on the part of a great proportion of home builders the saving of money enough to make the first payment of such an amount that the contractor who erects the home, the lumber and material dealer who furnishes the materials, and the banker, who many times supplies the money, are assured that the builder will stick to his determination. Getting ready to build the home requires time in many instances. After the site is secured and the prospective builder has reached the point when he will enter into the contract for the erection of the home, there comes the time to select the design of house that is wanted.

Ideas of what is ideal in a home are as varied as taste in dress. Some builders would have nothing but a bungalow, while others would have anything but a bungalow. A great number of builders, however, have fixed upon the stucco house as the most attractive exterior appearance and select a design for this type of house. It is to this class of prospective builders that the house shown in the accompanying illustration will appeal.

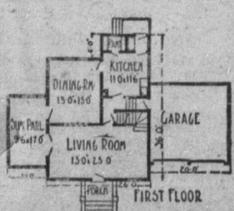
Here is a stucco house that will give the builders about the maximum amount of home for his money. It is of frame construction, with stucco applied to either wooden or metal lath,



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The dimensions of this house are only 28 by 36 feet, but it requires a lot of 60 feet or more wide, as the sun parlor projects 10 feet at one side and the garage 20 feet at the other. However, the garage may be located at the rear of the house, or may be smaller, as this was designed to hold two cars. The advantage of having the garage attached to the house is that the heating plant in the home may be used to warm the garage, which is well to do, as it prolongs the life of the tires and makes the machine available at all times.

While the home as shown in the illustration is set on a brick foundation, concrete may be used. The basement extends under the whole of the house, including the sun parlor. The size of the basement provides plenty of space

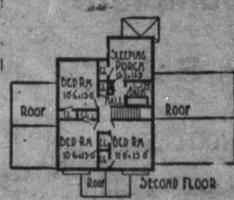


for the heating plant, storage of fuel and for a vegetable and fruit cellar, while by the installation of stationary tubs much of the laundry work can be done here in both summer and winter.

Floor plans that accompany the illustration show how conveniently the rooms have been arranged and how large they are for this size of house. The living room, 25 by 13 feet, extends across the front. The dining

room, also large, 13 by 13 feet, is connected with it by a double-door opening, and adjoining is a good-sized kitchen, 11 by 11 feet 6 inches. The pantry of the kitchen and adjoining the entry is another good feature. The sun parlor is 9 feet 6 inches by 11 feet, an exceptionally large room of this kind. It will be noted that doors open into it from both the living and dining rooms, so that one end—that adjoining the dining room—may be used as a breakfast porch. The double opening into the living room gives spaciousness to this room also.

On the second floor there are three good-sized bedrooms, the bathroom and a sleeping porch. The latter is a comforting feature of this design. It is located so that it has privacy, a thing to be desired. The bedrooms are ranged around a central hall, and the bathroom is adjacent to all the rooms. Studying designs of homes is one of the greatest pleasures of securing a home. The American architect has combined in home designs the com-



forts and the American family wants, and also have combined these comforts and conveniences with exterior beauty. However, what appeals to one prospective builder will not appeal to another, and by securing a large number of designs practically every individual will find just about the sort of home he has visualized as being the kind he wants.

To secure home-building ideas a visit to the local architect, the lumber and material dealer, and the contractor who will be asked to bid on the building job will be worth while. These building specialists all have available a wide range of homes, both perspective views and floor plans. With these plans before them, prospective builders will be able to select the home that meets his requirements and can be built for the amount of money he wants to invest. But in going over these plans it will surprise anyone how much real enjoyment he will get. Home building now is popular because it is the best and practically the only means of securing a comfortable,



convenient and attractive place in which to live. Rentable homes are scarce, and the person who moves nowadays is glad to get any sort of shelter. That is where the home builder is better off than the renter.

**Beware of Inefficient Men**

Supposed Interpreter, Unable to Interpret, Fails to Save Countryman From Prison Term.

A. R. Hawley, president of the Aero club, told in New York the other day an inefficiency story.

"Beware of the inefficient man," he said, "for if you have dealings with him it is you, not he, that will suffer from the inefficiency."  
"A foreigner in outlandish garb, claiming to be an Armenian, came here to solicit funds last year for his compatriots. It happened that another Armenian was arrested at the time, and the first chap was asked to go to court and act as his interpreter."

"Well, he reluctantly consented to act, though the truth was that he knew no Armenian whatever. Anyhow he stalked into the courtroom, listened in grave silence to the prisoner's passionate protestations of innocence, and then turned to the judge and said in a low voice:

"Your honor, my compatriot has confessed all. He begs you, however, to be lenient for suffering Armenia's sake."

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**Monument to Vaughn.**

Exercises of an unusual nature were held at a recent picnic of the Cascade county, Mont., farm bureau. It was the dedication of a monument to commemorate Robert Vaughn, who, in 1898, plowed the first furrow in the county. The monument, which is made of cobblestones and is about 6 feet high, contains a brass plate inscribed: "The first plowing in Cascade county was done by Robert Vaughn in 1898, in whose memory this monument was erected in 1919 by the farm bureau."

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