

## This Week's Ranch and Modern Home

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For those who seek a combination of outdoor living with practical indoor comfort, this home has much to offer. It is also a fine example of how construction and design can go hand-in-hand to achieve a combination that is both economical and good looking.

There are many excellent features in this design. The first that one will see is the roofed front porch and the recessed front door which is well protected from the weather.

**Dining Room Entrance**  
From the entry, traffic is efficiently routed directly to the living, work and sleeping areas of the house without cross-circulation.

On one side of the entry

is a guest closet while on the other is the entrance to the separate dining room. The dining room has become a forgotten element in most home designs—even larger ones—for many years, but it is now having something of a revival.

All four bedrooms are located in the same wing and have complete privacy from the remainder of the house. Thoughtful planning to assure both comfort and relaxation in the master bedroom suite is apparent. The large room has sliding glass doors that open to the rear patio. A shoulder high window in the other outside wall provides light and ventilation but does not interfere with the arrangement of furniture. A private dressing area and bath complete the suite.

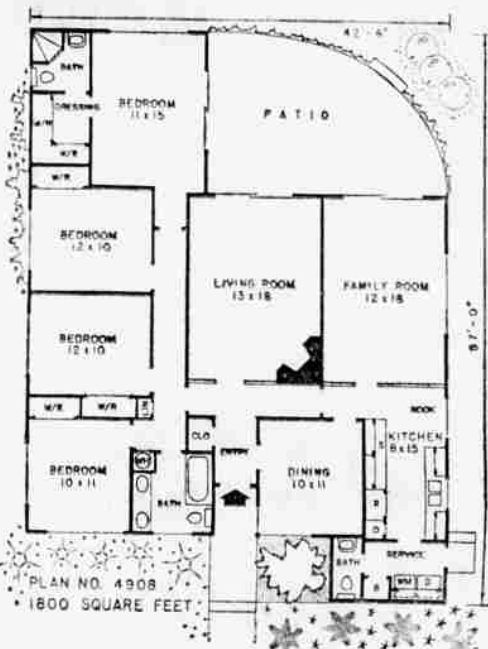
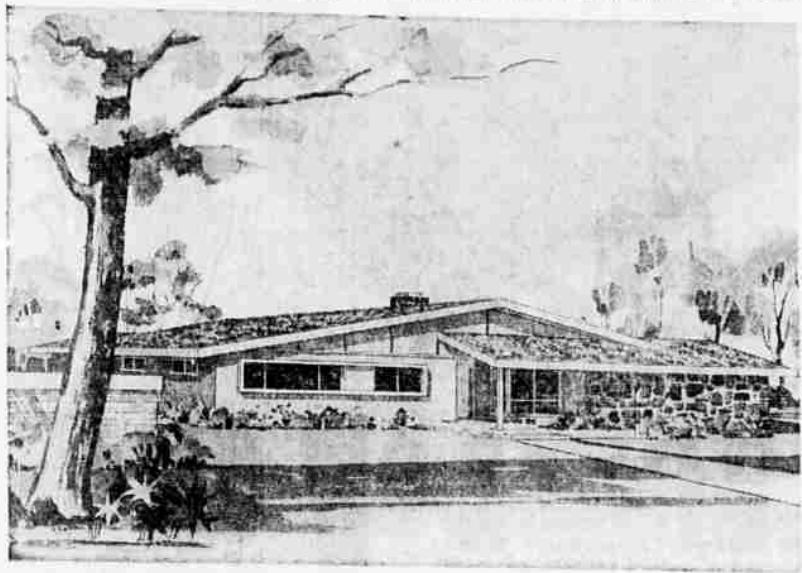
The handsome living room with its corner fireplace overlooks the large circular patio through sliding glass doors. This arrangement greatly expands the living area of this room.

Since the oven and range—or cooking top—have been liberated from each other, you can separate the two and have the oven at eye-level height with drawers below—while the range can be located in the counter top and anywhere in the kitchen where it is most convenient.

This compact plan can be easily located on a small city lot. If a wider plan is desired, the detached double garage—for which complete plans are furnished—could be placed

at the side of the house during construction. The low sweeping line of the exterior form an impressive and dramatic design. Part of the front porch has been eliminated to form a planting area in front of the dining room.

Complete working drawings for this plan can be purchased at a cost of \$7.50 for the first set and \$3 for each additional set when ordered at the same time. This plan will be available at these prices until Sept. 26. Please allow two to three weeks for delivery. If the above home does not entirely meet with your approval, a new home plan book, Ranch and Modern Homes, can be purchased for \$2. Send all orders for either plans or books to: Hiawatha Estes, post office box 404-T, Northridge, Calif.



## Hospital Staff Members Visit Health Officers

Staff members from the state mental hospital spent the last three days conferring with the staffs of the Jackson County health department and the public welfare commission, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, public health officer.

Purpose of the orientation discussions was to establish a better working relationship between Jackson county officials and the state hospital. Staff members conferred with some nursing home operators, the local mental health group and other agencies interested in mental patient welfare.

**Make Home Visits**  
The hospital staff members made home visits and field visits with the health department staff to become better acquainted with local resources. By an inspection of local resources, the hospital staff members will be better able to evaluate problems faced by hospital patients when they are sent home.

Much of the discussion with the welfare department officials was on problems faced when patients return and require nursing home or a foster home type of arrangement while they continue treatment.

Most of the public health nursing staff has spent from one to two weeks in the state hospital becoming acquainted with the care and treatment offered. The public health nurses are better prepared to interpret many of the questions patients' families may ask, Dr. Merkel said.

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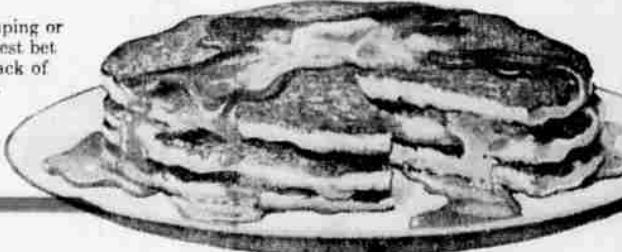
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