

THE HOUSE OF THE WEEK

Cape Cod Grows To Suit Your Budget

Upstairs Can Be Expanded To Meet A Family's Needs

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A house with special appeal to budget-conscious families, this story-and-a-half Cape Codder provides comfortable living quarters at once — and ample space for expansion later, at the convenience of the family budget.

It has all the advantages of a four-bedroom, two-bathroom house, but the entire investment need not be made at once. Some families could live comfortably downstairs while finishing the upstairs.

Designated as HW-76 in The House of The Week series, and designed by Architect Derick B. Kipp, it has good sized rooms, above-average storage space and excellent ventilation throughout.

Despite the popularity of ranch and split level houses, many story and a half houses are being built throughout the United States today. This is a well designed story and a half house.

Baths on Both Floors

In the first floor plan, which has 1,455 square feet, you will find a living room, dining room, kitchen, bedroom and a study or second bedroom.

Two bedrooms and three large storage areas are provided in the upper floor plan. Baths are located on both floors.

An attractive interior feature has been created for the living room-dining room area. There you will find a brick planter dividing the two rooms but leaving sufficient space so that the fireplace, with its raised hearth, can be seen from both rooms.

The architect has achieved overall harmony in these two rooms in two ways: he has used brick for both the planter and the fireplace, and he has tied the rooms together also by extending the vertical wood paneling of the dining room up to the edge of the fireplace in the living room.

Flagstones have been suggested

for the top of the raised hearth, and a stock mantel can be used, according to the preference of the owner, to combine with home furnishings.

A Total of 11 Closets

Storage space has been provided abundantly. Downstairs there are two closets in each bedroom, two hall closets (one for coats and one for linens) and a service closet in the kitchen. Upstairs, there are four closets, making a total of 11.

Additionally, there are three large storage areas upstairs, also a storage wall in the kitchen, built-ins in the downstairs bedrooms, and even put-away cabinets under the planter in the dining room.

Storage alcoves in the garage supplement the normal basement storage.

Bow windows are a feature of the exterior, with two in front and two in the rear. The bow windows in the rear add nearly two feet more space in both the kitchen and the dining room.

Space has been built into the rooms, too. The living room is 22 feet wide, the smallest bedroom

is 13 feet wide, and the dining room is 11 feet by 13 feet.

There are two exposures in all

bedrooms and one bedroom has three exposures.

Covered Entry From Garage

A door opens from the dining room onto the porch in the rear of the house, adding to the ease of serving outdoor meals. The door from the garage to the porch gives a covered entry into the house via the porch in inclement weather.

Most women prefer the kitchen at the rear of the house, and that's where you'll find the kitchen in this house; but with the center hall plan of HW-76, the front door is really only a few steps away from the kitchen.

An island cook-top is a feature of the kitchen; the sink is handily close and there is abundant counter space. A wall oven has been placed next to the refrigerator. A large storage space has been included in the kitchen plan.

The dormer windows of this Cape Cod blend nicely with the bow windows as you view the house from the front, which is the

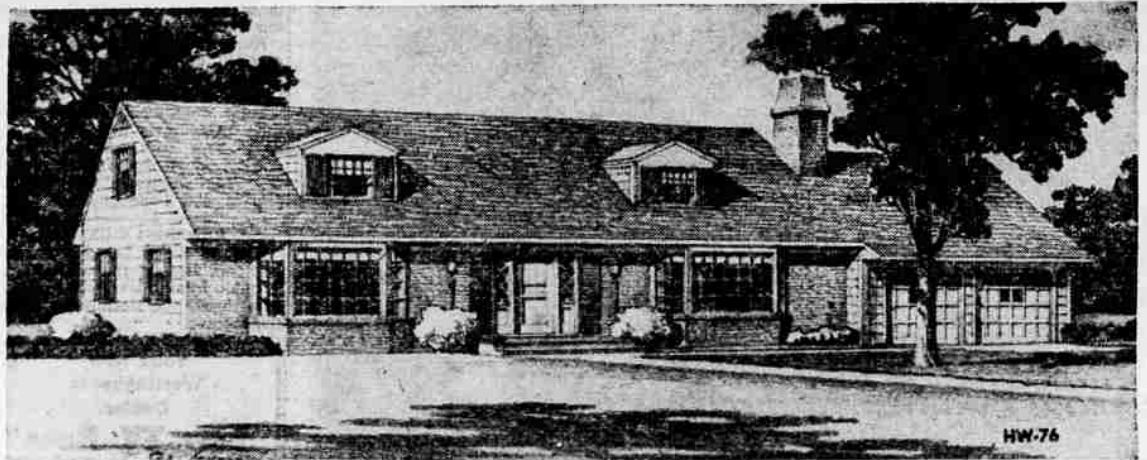
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The entrance door is centered in the main section of the house and is adorned by side glass panels and interesting entrance lamps.

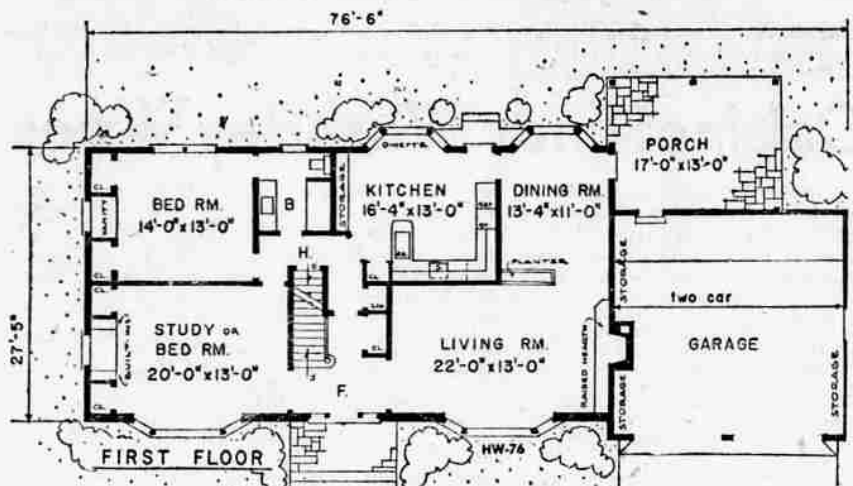
Brick facing has been used on the front exterior. Rough cut shingles, for contrast, are used on both ends of the house and in the rear. Asphalt shingles and a brick chimney complete the exterior details.

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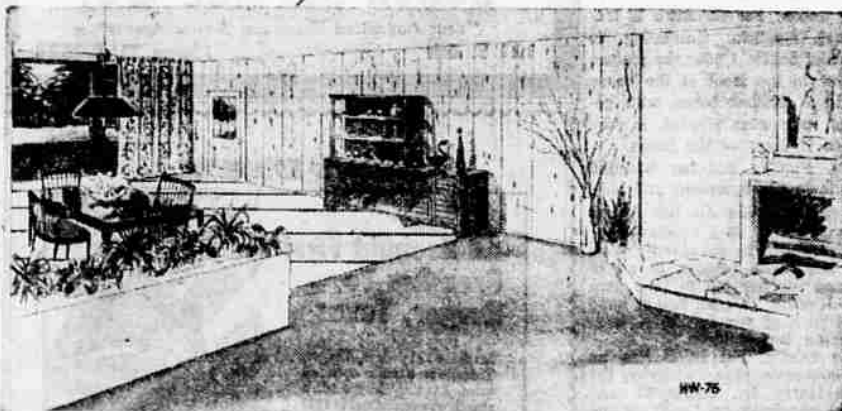
The overall dimensions of House of The Week HW-76 are 76 feet 6 inches by 27 feet 5 inches, including the two-car garage. The first floor square footage is 1,455, excluding the porch and the garage. The second floor has 785 square feet.



THIS STORY AND A HALF Cape Cod emphasizes space for living on the first floor and space for expansion on the second floor.



FIVE ROOMS ON THE FIRST FLOOR include an area which can be used either as a study or a bedroom.



A BRICK PLANTER, with put-away cabinets under it on the dining room side, separates the living room and dining room.

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