

THE HOUSE OF THE WEEK

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This three-bedroom ranch was designed to bring country club elegance into your own life at reasonable cost.

Over-all the plan is not unduly large — 1830 square feet of living space — but it has been arranged to make possible a quiet display of luxury. Space has been concentrated in a few key areas to provide a core of graciousness at a bargain price.

This concentration of space for luxurious effect can be seen especially in the living room and its appointments. The room is big, measuring 23 by 15 feet. It is positioned so that this size makes the maximum impression on visitors entering the front door. The living room floor is sunken two steps to give a balcony appearance to the flagstoned foyer and dining room.

Just as the 8 by 12 foyer adds visual length to one end of the living room, the dining room opens up the other end. The atmosphere of elegance continues through the dining room because



DESIGNED FOR THE DISCRIMINATING: Emphasis in this moderate-sized three-bedroom ranch was placed on luxury. Living space is lavished on a glamorous sunken

living room, impressive dining room and inviting jalousie porch and terrace.

sliding glass doors across one wall lead the eye still further into a 20-foot jalousie porch.

The winding trail of gracious hospitality doesn't end there. It turns once more to flow out on the open terrace at the rear of the house.

Architect Rudolph Matern, who created B-8 in the House of the Week series, also made the center hall wider than ordinary and

gave the owner a lovely master bedroom 18 feet long by 13 wide. This room also has a big walk-in closet and a bath.

Considerable attention was paid to the exterior appearance. The main entrance has wide double doors with full length glass panels on each side. The huge bay window falls at about the center of the front wall. Garage windows are given an interesting

boxed effect. Hand-split shingles are used on the bedroom wing and brick veneer covers the balance of the front.

Because of its 30-foot width, the house would require a wide lot. Depth is 33'. Excluding garage and jalousie porch, the living area is 1,830 square feet.

Additional Details

One of the outstanding features of the living room is the raised hearth fireplace, centered on a paneled wood wall in a picture-type frame to pre-cast concrete. Decorative wrought iron railings trace the raised edges of foyer and dining room.

The bedroom wing is self-contained with ample closets, two baths and linen storage. The bath for the master bedroom is located to serve double duty. It's accessible either from the bedroom or the rear vestibule. The main bath is oversize, with both a tub and a shower, two lavatories, and two windows for maximum light.

Work Localized

U-shaped kitchen lies between the dining and family rooms, making service easy to either

one. Family room and kitchen flow into one another and have a combined length of 20 feet. Kitchen bay gives mother an excellent view of rear yard and terrace.

To keep housekeeping steps down, both washer and dryer are built into one arm of the kitchen U, concentrating all appliances in one work center.

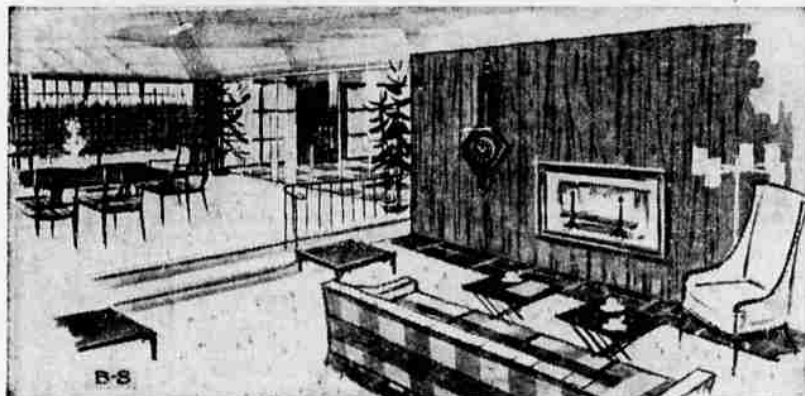
A full basement is provided for, offering possibilities for development as a recreation center, dark room, shop or anything else that suits the owner's fancy.

B-8 STATISTICS

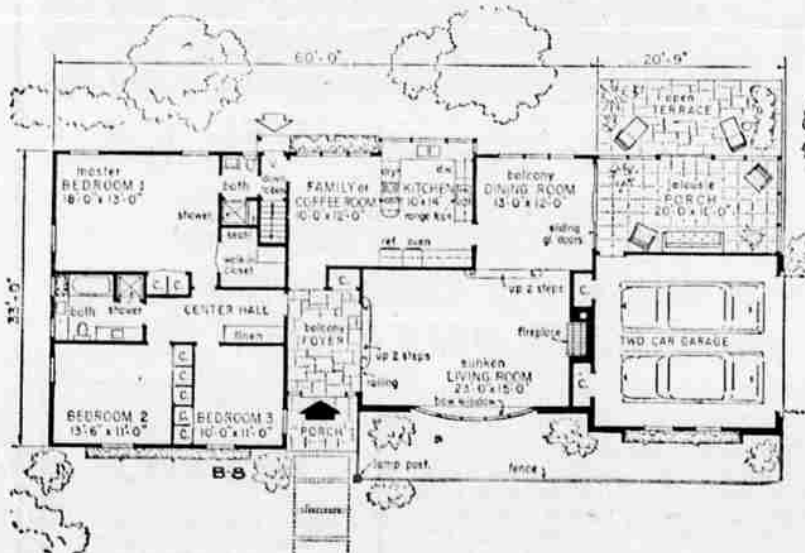
The habitable area in this seven-room ranch home is 1,830 square feet. Jalousie porch adds another 200.

There are three bedrooms, with two baths. Ten closets plus a large walk-in provide abundant space for storage.

Over-all dimensions are 80' 9" in width by 33' depth.



ENTERTAINMENT SUITE: This artist's conception shows raised fireplace in its picture-type frame of pre-cast concrete, dining room at left and jalousie porch in center background. Wall between dining room and porch is made up entirely of sliding glass doors.



FLOOR PLAN: Apparent length of the living room is 31 feet, from fireplace wall to left side of flagstoned foyer. Center hall is extra wide. Note unusual and efficient location of washer and dryer as an integral part of the kitchen work center.

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