

THE HOUSE OF THE WEEK

Split Has Early American Flavor

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At first glance, this house looks like a grand and imposing two-story. Actually, it's a medium-sized split level—with an interesting garage arrangement that contributes nearly one-third of the imposing length.

The position of the garage also makes possible the long portico across more than half the front, tying the whole together and setting the Early American mood which is embellished by leaded windows downstairs and window boxes upstairs.

The artful exterior of B-40 in the House of the Week series houses an efficiently planned side-by-side split level plan, with three bedrooms upstairs and a den or bedroom on the ground floor just to the left of the large grade level entrance foyer.

Herman H. York is the architect, and his plan emphasizes the recreation room which is a key position directly accessible from the front through the foyer and from the rear yard through large sliding glass doors.

Handy but hidden from both recreation room and kitchen is a compartment housing both laundry and laundry equipment.

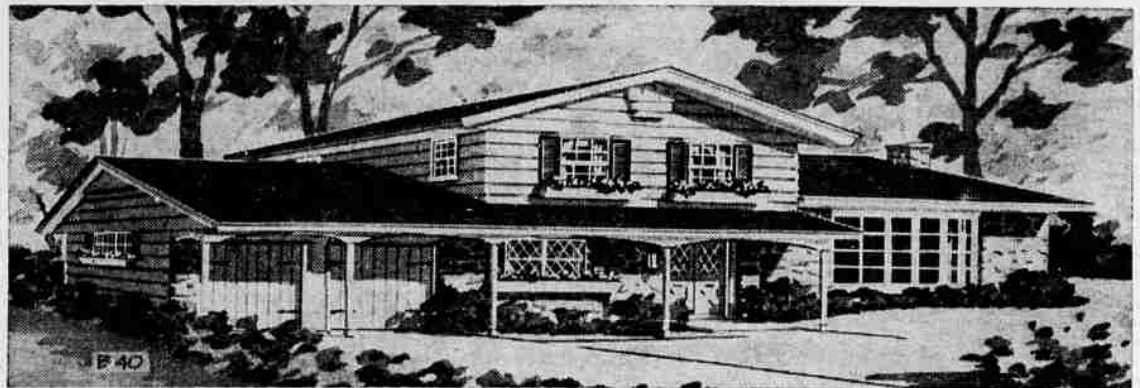
The middle level can be reached from either front or rear, going from recreation room up into the kitchen or from entrance foyer up five steps to the living room. Living and dining rooms are arranged in an "L" around the kitchen, with bay window at the front and a fireplace on the long side wall.

B-40 STATISTICS

This eight-room split-level, given a different look by handling of the double garage, has 1,278 sq. ft. of living space on bedroom and living room levels and another 531 sq. ft. on the grade level.

There are four bedrooms, counting a room on the lower level that can be used either as bedroom or den. Plans call for 1-1/2 baths, with an optional full second bath.

Over-all dimensions are 64' in width by 29' 1" in depth.



SPLENDID SPLIT: Double garage with a long portico roof extending over the grade level entrance gives this split-level home a special Early American flavor. The

home has eight rooms, with up to four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths, on its three levels.

Kitchen is compact, with a cheerful bay providing delightful setting for a breakfast table.

Bedroom and living room levels total 1,278 sq. ft. of living space. The recreation room level adds 531 sq. ft. Over-all dimensions are 64' in width by 29' 1" in depth.

Additional Details

Upstairs, the three bedrooms are grouped around a hall leading to a dual use bathroom accessible from the hall or from the owner's bedroom. A dressing room with vanity space and separate lavatory provides the master bedroom with make-up and shaving facilities, outside the main bath.

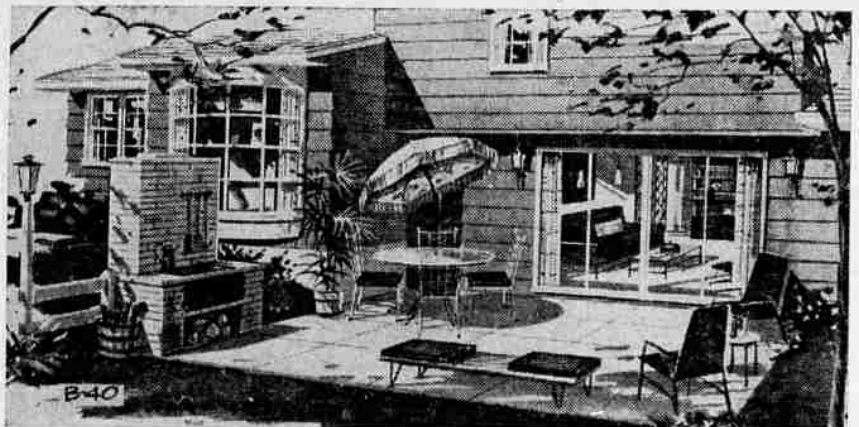
Under an optional arrangement, this vanity and lavatory space can be replaced with a full private bath.

Architect York always has an eye on economy of plumbing layout. In this design, all of the plumbing pipes are in one wall using only one stack for the least expensive installation.

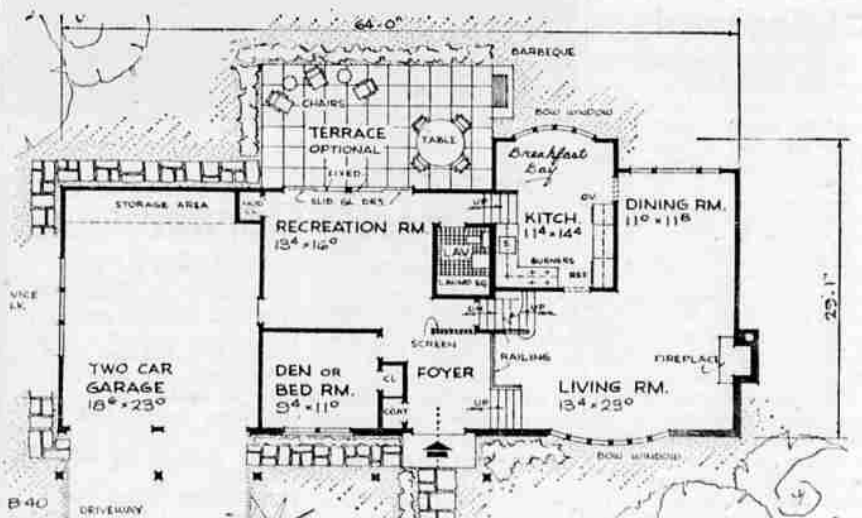
The house has been designed with a basement under the living room, dining room and kitchen within a few steps of recreation room and garage.

The rear yard is under complete visual control from kitchen, recreation room and dining room, each space having large glass areas in the form of sliding glass doors, bay window and picture window.

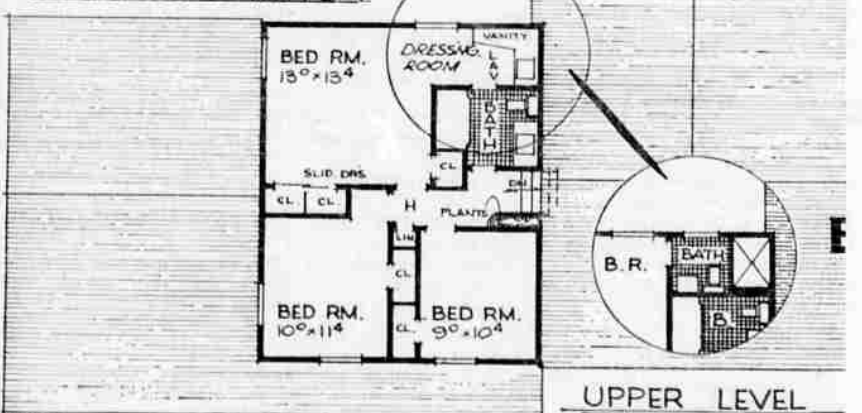
A do-it-yourself barbecue is shown as something which will add interest to the rear terrace.



INVITING TERRACE: This artist's view shows the rear of the house, with recreation room visible through sliding glass doors. Kitchen bay window is at left.



ALT. TWO BATH RM. PLAN



FLOOR PLANS: Grade level entrance permits routine traffic to reach kitchen without entering living room. On the upper floor, note the option which can provide a second full bath.

HOW'S THAT AGAIN

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