

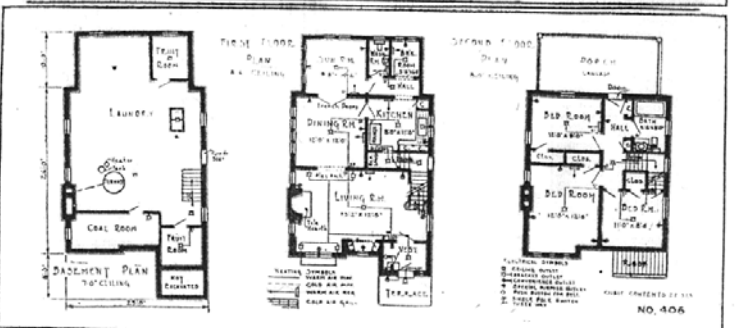
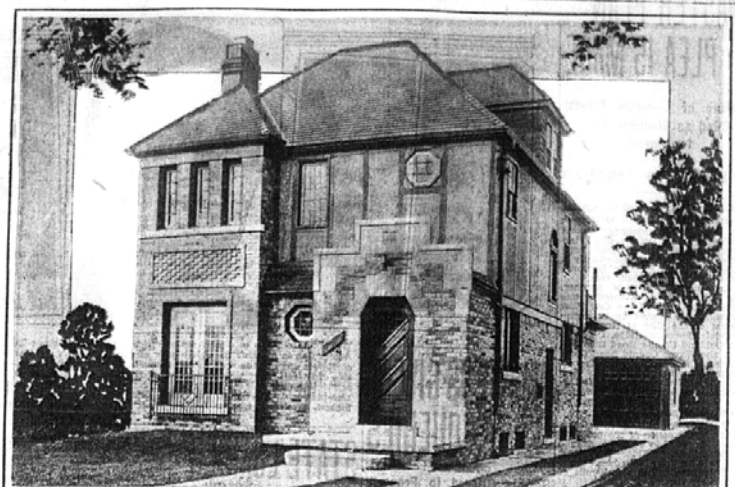
# MODERN MATERIALS PRODUCE SIMPLIFIED MODERNISTIC DESIGN

## The Sturdy Elevation Makes Imposing Front

### Brick and Stucco Walls, Massive Chimney, Heavy Front Door and Distinctive Windows Bring Appreciation of Unusual.

NEW materials enable architects and builders to accomplish results today that would have been impossible of construction in former generations when the principles of building were founded entirely on masonry and timber. The progress of building during the past decade or two has obliterated practically every precedent in the use of materials and enabled architects to go beyond the everyday utilitarian requirements of providing a place to live or work.

## THE BOXHAGEN - - - - - Detroit News Plan No. 406



THE OUTLINE of specifications for this home will be supplied without charge in any reader. In writing for them, a two-cent stamp should be enclosed. Specifications must be considered in connection with the price.

### Cost of House and Service

NAME of today's home—The Boxhagen. Plan Number, Detroit News, No. 406. The home to be 35 feet wide, 58 feet deep on first floor, including sun room and breakfast nook, but not including extension for vestibule or terrace. It covers all over 2,000 sq. ft. Will go on 30-foot lot with side drive. Basement walls of brick 12 inches thick, waterproofed with cement plaster and asphalt. Solid brick concrete foundation. Second floor concrete slabs. All around to drill brick common brick veneer on frame construction. Front extension of second story elevation built with brick and stucco. Frame window casements and sun room with French roof and eaves. Chimney face brick same as walls with stone cap trim and modernistic effect. Front door, heavy diagonal slab, of mahogany in design to match door trim. Interior trim ash gumwood, back-board with air heating plant. Cost of house based on average of estimates by local contractors, on a free and clear basis at 45 per cent a month, \$13,100.

Cost of architect-drawn specifications and blue prints, \$250. Where plans are procurable: The Detroit Building Association, 2000 Second Boulevard, Detroit 1, Mich. (Home Lightening Division, 2000 Second Boulevard, Detroit 1, Mich.). Other important firms in building are: The Detroit Building Association, 2000 Second Boulevard, Detroit 1, Mich. (Home Lightening Division, 2000 Second Boulevard, Detroit 1, Mich.).

### OFFICE BUILDING SOLD FOR \$125,000

Other Transactions for the Week.

### Retired Coal Operator Has 41-Room Apartment

John Markie, 71 years old, a retired coal operator, owns perhaps the largest apartment in New York. It has 41 rooms, 18 of which are bedrooms. It is located on 10th Street and 10th Avenue in the Bronx. The apartment is a co-operative one at 1500 Fifth Avenue and is responsible for his large living quarters. When Mr. Markie was living he maintained a house in Hamilton, Pa., and another in New York. For both places he collected quantities of fine furnishings. When he died in 1927 and he had retired from business, he decided to keep his home intact under one roof. As a result he purchased three apartments of 15 rooms each in the building which then was under construction and had them combined. Of the 13 bedrooms are 12 for his personal use and two for his nurses. His apartment cost him \$307,000 and he spent a month at \$120,000 to decorate it to his liking. He had a partition torn out to combine two chambers into a library and measuring approximately 30 by 30 feet. He has two many living rooms and so one was consolidated with a small library and foyer in one of the spare apartments to make a dining room 30 feet square. One of the original dining rooms he retained for his breakfast room. The chamber was converted into a secretary's study. Another was made into a nurse's sitting room so that she would be handy to the master's bedroom. Two chambers were merged for the master's bedroom, a place 30 feet long and 30 feet wide, with four large windows. Four maid's rooms were remodelled to make two nurses' rooms and a servant's hall; a maid's room, bath and postparquet. They often come into his room in order to make things comfortable.

### LOAN BODIES HONOR 'OWN YOUR HOME' DAY

Members of the United States Building & Loan League throughout the country observed Thursday as "Own Your Home" day. It was their contribution to the national observance of "Thrift Week," just closed.

Better Homes in America, of which President Hoover is honorary chairman and Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, secretary of the interior, is president, will in 1931 not only continue its program of promoting home ownership and single family housing, but also lay emphasis on the care and repair of the home. This announcement was made by Dr. James Ford, executive director of the Better Homes movement, at Washington. The 1930 competition among architects for designing the best one-family house has just closed. The winners of medals to be decided by the winners of the American Institute of Architects, is expected early date. During the past year Better Homes in America has co-operated on Civil Health and Protection on drawing up optimum standards for homes in which there are children. These are to be published by the distribution in February. Similar standards were drawn up for the furnishing of the home.

**Asks Aid of Architects.** Enrollment of private architects and engineers by the Federal Government in the construction of public works has been urged by President Hoover by the American Institute of Architects. Such action would speed the whole national program of employment and relief. The architects' association, a similar plan was drawn up by the National Institute of Architects in New York City, President of that state.

### FEWER NEW SUGGESTIONS FROM WOMEN THAN MEN

CADILLAC, Jan. 24.—Age 70 women less inventive than men? Statistics of the Australian post and telegraph department indicate they are. When the department of ideas, 15 per cent of the men of ideas, while only 12 per cent of the women made suggestions.

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