

Modern Armories To Be Built By Army For Use Reserve Forces

Cost Estimated to Total In Neighborhood of \$18,000,000

Washington—The Army is building 53 armories for its reserve forces at a total cost of approximately \$18,000,000.

The armories now being planned, under construction or recently completed will serve as training structures for United States Army Reserve members in local communities of 25 states.

Almost all the new armories feature long, low construction lines, residential type windows and exterior finishes chosen to harmonize with neighboring buildings in local communities. The "new look" design—a far cry from the armories of yesteryear which reflected the Bastille school of architecture—denotes the Army's desire to make hometown America's Reserve headquarters an integral part of the communities.

In addition to the "new look," the armories also have another desirable feature. They are expandable. As the Reserve program grows, the armories also can be made to grow by adding wings to the basic buildings.

The basic building is designed to accommodate approximately 400 men for training purposes. This basic unit can be expanded to accommodate 600 or 800 men by adding additional wings. Similarly, a 600-man armory may be expanded to an 800 or 1,000-man unit.

The "new look" armories place emphasis on increased classroom space and a reduced emphasis on drill areas. This is in line with the Army's need for thoroughly-trained technicians. In addition to classrooms, the armories contain administrative offices, day rooms, rifle ranges, arms vaults, kitchens, lockers and assembly halls.

Armories currently being built are located on federally-owned land under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Army, or land upon which the Government holds long-term rights.

Complete Plans First; Then Begin Remodeling

Remodeling without careful planning can be expensive, inconvenient and disheartening.

It costs nothing to plan and re-plan, and only by careful planning will you be able to have just the type of home you want, says Pauline E. Gordon, State College Extension specialist in housing and house furnishings.

Remodeling or building is too expensive not to warrant detailed planning of what your family wants. And according to Miss Gordon, family planning is important since the kind of home in which you live helps to develop the personality of all persons living within it.

Long-time planning will save you both money and inconvenience. Plan work on your home that can be done over a period of years and then do some work each year as you have the money to pay for it, suggests Miss Gordon. All of your family will enjoy contributing some labor to cut costs further.

If you're planning more storage space, Miss Gordon advises you to consider wall-to-wall storage. List the articles to be stored in the space allotted, then plan shelf and drawer areas to accommodate them. It's easier to keep house when there is a place to put all the things needed by the family.

According to Miss Gordon, the most convenient height to reach is from the tip of the fingers to the top of the shoulders. Store articles used most often in this area. Those used less frequently can be placed lower or higher.



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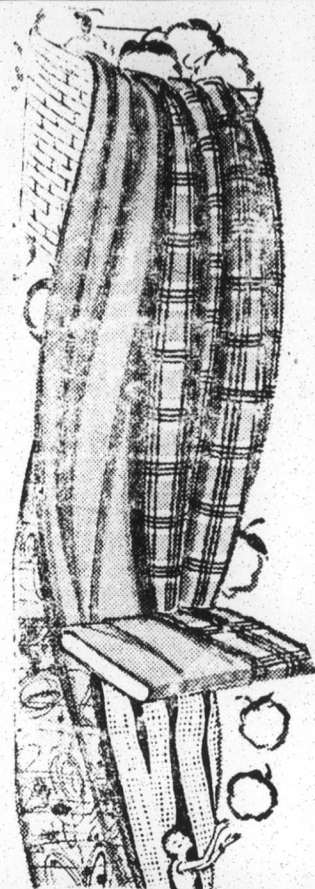
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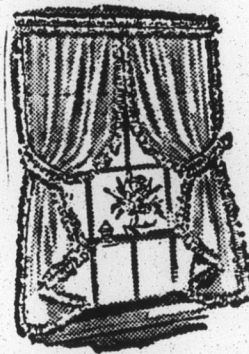
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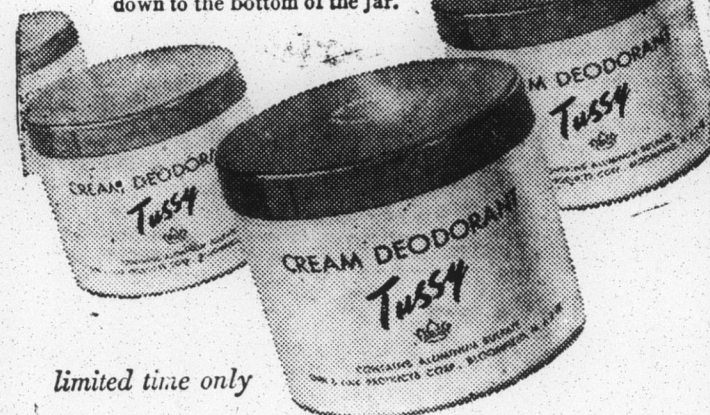
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