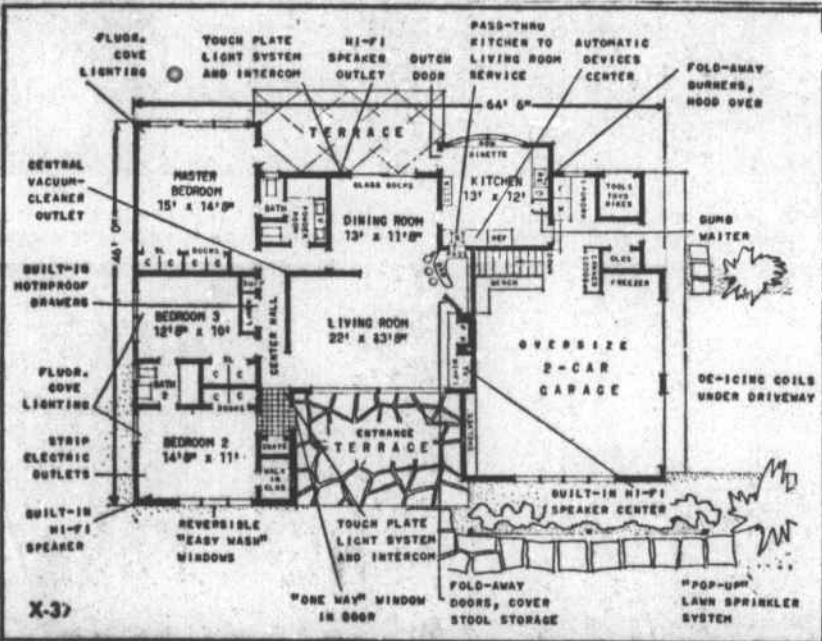


The House of the Week

Designer Says Pushbutton House is Wife's Delight



Tomorrow's home today: This gracious ranch is designed to take advantage of all the modern scientific aids to home comfort and housekeeping, from a touchplate lighting system to permanent vacuum cleaner ducts. The home has three bedrooms, large living room, dining room and kitchen. Habitable area is 1,595 square feet.



Floor plan: Marginal notes detail the many modern conveniences Architect Alan Wood Fraser has called for in construction of this six-room ranch. The plan provides a luxurious entertainment area; plus a large master bedroom and step-saving service area directly off the kitchen.

By DAVID L. BOWEN

This is the era of the electronic pushbutton, but most of us live in houses that would have served as well in the heyday of the hand-crank.

Modern applied science has harnessed the atom, revolutionized production lines, invaded outer space.

But while man reaches for the moon, housewives reach for a dust mop. Outside of the kitchen, the American home has been relatively unaffected by the age of automatic control.

This is more the result of habit than necessity.

To show what science can do for a home, Architect Alan Wood Fraser set out to design one incorporating all of the practical aids to housekeeping and hospitality on the market today. The result is House of the Week X-37, an inviting, roomy, three-bedroom ranch.

Among its pushbutton comforts: Touchplate electrical system: A low voltage control circuit makes it possible to turn on or off all of any light in the house from the master bedroom or two other locations.

Pilot lights on the master bedroom panel show which lights in the house are burning. The central control switches eliminate any fumbling in the dark; whole sections of the house can be lighted at one time.

Intercommunication system: This links bedrooms, access doors, kitchen, terrace and garage. A hi-fi set can be cut into the intercom to bring music to bedrooms or outdoor terraces.

Vacuum cleaner outlets: Vacuum hose can be "plugged into" suction outlets connected by hidden permanent ducts to powerful motor in basement. Heavy equipment never moves even during complete house-cleaning.

Automatic devices center: A single motor built into the kitchen counter powers all mixing, blending and juice extracting attachments.

Reversible windows: All movable windows are of the type that can be flipped over so both sides can be washed from the inside.

Driveway heating coils: The flip of a switch heats driveway so snow will melt as it falls.

Electric strip outlets: Instead of two or three wall plugs in a room, this equipment permits you to plug in at six-inch intervals anywhere around a room.

Automatic lawn sprinklers: Pop-up heads on buried tubing rise when water is turned on. When water is turned off, they slide down out of sight.

The floor plan has been laid out to insure that these comforts and

conveniences embellish a home carefully attuned to modern demands.

The generous entertaining area has an attractive fireplace, with space for built-in tv and hi-fi on one side and an informal refreshment bar on the other. The bar can be concealed with a foldaway door.

A picture window in the living room looks out over the front terrace entrance and sliding glass doors open onto the rear terrace from the dining room.

The kitchen has a bow window, with utilities arranged in an "L" shape and a desk for household bookkeeping. The oven is built-in and cooking burner units fold back in the wall when not in use.

There's a step-saving pass-through to the refreshment bar and a dumb waiter for service to storage room in basement. Adjoining

the kitchen is a first floor utility room providing laundry space that's easily reached but outside the main living area.

All three of the bedrooms have fluorescent cove lighting, giving soft indirect light. An in-between bath serves the two front bedrooms.

The master bedroom in the rear has four sliding door closets and a fixed picture window wall. By using the alcove treatment and adding a second toilet, the architect gets an economical double function from the main bath: the master bedroom retains a private toilet even when the larger area is in use as a guest powder room.

X-37 has six rooms, and its overall dimensions are 64' by 46'. There are 1,595 square feet of habitable area, plus 765 in the over-size two-car garage and service area.

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Entertainer to Appear At Harkers Island School

Henry Tuck, guitarist and hill-billy songster, will appear at the Harkers Island School at 7:30 Friday night. With him will be Grayden Paul, chairman of the county March of Dimes campaign.

Mr. Paul will show a movie on the March of Dimes program. Mr. Tuck, who is heard over WMBL, Morehead City, will also appear on the March of Dimes Telethon Saturday night, WITN.

Others from this county who will appear on the telethon are Bobbi Dennis, Beaufort, and Alton Harrison, Newport.

Three Arrested

Beaufort police arrested three Negro men over the weekend. Bennie Rittie was put in jail under \$50 bond for public drunkenness, using profane language and drawing a knife. Theodore Dudley and Ralph Godette were charged with public drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Bank Takes Part In 4-H Foundation

Commercial National Bank has joined with other North Carolina banks in contributing to the work of the National 4-H Club Foundation, according to R. E. Butner Jr., vice-president.

North Carolina bankers, under the leadership of Wayne A. Corpening, vice-president, Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., Winston-Salem, North Carolina, are taking part in a nation-wide fund raising program in behalf of the work of the 4-H Foundation.

Mr. Butner said that the Commercial National Bank has long been interested in 4-H Club work locally and is glad to extend its support to the 4-H program nationally through the National 4-H Club Foundation.

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