



Designed specifically to meet the needs of a newly married couple, a transitional home for a minimum of five years, or until such time as an expanding family and more clearly defined family requirements make it no longer adequate for present needs. At this time it will be sold to a couple with similar requirements.

The site is a level acre-tract located seven miles from town in the irrigated Spokane Valley.

Since it is impossible to anticipate the eventual requirements of the newly formed family unit, the immediate need is not for the large pretentious house, but for a small, pleasant transitional home from which the family can form and grow.

The view is to the south and east, the sun making the south exposure very pleasant during the cold winter months and necessitating control during the summer season. A continuous storage wall on the north amply fulfills storage needs, provides protection from the north wind and privacy from the road. A daylighted entrance hall forms direct circulation to all areas with a continuous cabinet between hall and living-dining area acting as a screen and providing shallow storage in both rooms.

The roof is an expression of interior space requirements: a continuous plane supported at the outside walls which eliminates the need for interior walls as supports and frees the remaining space to be arranged and defined by furni-

ture arrangement and draperies to suit the needs of formality or informality, large or small groups.

A stone wall at the living area forms a visual anchor with the ground from the exterior and on the interior, seclusion and relief in contrast to the large glass areas facing south. East exposure is here desirable for the view and as lighting for the study desk.

Stone wall, fireplace and drapery form the acoustic "dead" walls of the quiet area for studying, reading, writing, conversation and the enjoyment of the radio and records. Bedroom plays a dual role of quiet retreat and sleeping room. Ample size and built-in cabinets allow space for sewing, sitting, reading, writing, hobbies and possibly entertaining as well.

Bath is located inside for privacy and ease of heating. Mechanical ventilation is by a duct through the ceiling, and lighting is provided by an obscure glass re-light panel over stair.

A small basement is provided for heater, freezer, food storage, laundry, work bench and general storage. This space forms a central location for heater and allows easy access to all plumbing and mechanical equipment. Daylighting is from the north and windows are a continuation of main floor hall windows. Floor over is wood joist construction—the remainder of the building is concrete slab on grade. Heating is with radiant hot air.

A TRANSITIONAL HOME FOR THE EARLY YEARS

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