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JAMES A. HUNTER, Builder Photo by Keller Studio

The unusual design of this white stucco home, its slanting roof, topped with red tile, and the decorative chimney, make it a house that one instinctively turns to admire when passing by.

James A. Hunter designed and built this house for his own home at 1307 Acacia avenue.

There are seven rooms and bath in the house.

Entering the living room through the square door, one notices an air of hominess to the interior, for while it is not too plain, it is utterly lacking in ornamentation.

In a simple manner, Mr. Hunter has used two types of interior finish in the living room and combination sun room, and the result is interesting and decorative.

The ceilings of the two rooms are in a rough and flat finish. They contain an offset panel and are cornerless. The rough finish extends some inches down the wall, where it is stopped by a picture moulding.

The remainder of the walls are in a smooth finish, with touches of the rough at various points for trimming.

At the left of the door is the gas fireplace, made attractive by its offset arch lined with rough finish in a deep tan, and bordered with Aztec tile.

This same tile also forms a small platform for the stove to rest on, as well as protection for the hardwood floors.

Directly above the arch is a tile depicting covered wagon days, installed in the wall.

A mantel is created by an offset arch above the fireplace, and this also is lined with rough finish. Between the fireplace and the large window overlooking the front lawn is a slender bookshelf. This is high and but a few inches wide.

In the corner, on the other side of the large window is the built-in one shelf.

Two other windows with about a five foot space between, look out on the side of the house.

In a corner of the room is an arch into which a radio snugly fits. Above the arch are doors for storage, and below are large doors that hide a space for magazines, etc.

An archway is between the combination sunroom and dining room. This room is light and cheery, and finished in the same manner as the living room.

A large window is on one side of the room, while the one on the front of the room is a combination of three windows to resemble one large one. The center window is stationary with a long casement on each side.

A breakfast room just off the sun room and dining room, is finished in tan, and has a built-in buffet and china closets covering one end of the room.

The kitchen, also in tan, is all that a kitchen could be, and is in a remarkably small space.

Cupboards, not aimless rows of shelves and drawers, but built so as to save the woman steps and be convenient to the nth degree. One side of the room is solid storage space. There is a place for dishes, with pans below, a place for staples, and below this a door lets down to show a complete arrangement for baking convenience. Spice racks, mixing bowl space, and the door to it becomes a swing mixing board.

Below this are lined drawers for sugar, flour, bread, etc.

Green tile was used for the sink board, and black outlines the convenient double sink with a swing faucet.

The service porch has the hot water heater and a built-in cooler and ice box, tiled from outside.

Laundry trays are in the rear. At the end of the halls in this home is a convenient sewing room.

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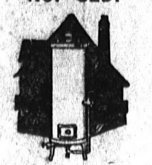
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