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One third of all new non-farm dwellings built each year go to replace homes that have become obsolete, burned, destroyed by hurricanes, tornados and weather, or are torn down to make room for new developments. In 1953, 400,000 housing units disappeared in this fashion, according to the West Coast Lumberman's Association.

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## Homes and Gardening



### Basements Make Comeback, Recent Figures Reveal

Basements are staging a comeback that is remarkable in its scope.

More than half of all new homes started in the latest months for which figures are available included basements, according to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.


This is a turnabout of the trend toward basementless homes which developed immediately following World War II when materials were scarce and speed to get shelters up were motivating forces in home building.

A basement in a single-story home almost doubles usable floor space and at a cost of not much more than ten or fifteen per cent over the slab type floor.

There are several ways to build basements to get additional living space at low cost. By exposing the basement three or four feet above ground level, the windows will provide plenty of light for playrooms, bedrooms, and utility rooms. The ordinary joist-type floor of Douglas fir or west coast hemlock forms an adequate ceiling structure which can be paneled in a variety of woods.

Basements solve several problems which were readily apparent in the tiny one-floor homes of post-World War II. They give that extra storage space for trunks, luggage, old furniture, lawn furniture, and garden tools. They also generally have room for a warm workshop and a place where the general handyman can do ordinary repair work on screens, doors, furniture and tools. The housewife on which is easy on her feet and saves backache and foot trouble.

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### Survey Proposed In County To Show Effects Of Development On Farming

Michigan State University officials have tentatively agreed to join with Oakland County in a pioneering study of rapid industrial, commercial and residential development effects on farming areas in the county.

A local delegation proposed the study at a meeting in East Lansing recently. Included were Howard J. Reid, chairman of the Supervisors' Farm Committee; Lynd B. Abel, County Agricultural Agent; George N. Skrub, County Planning Commission Director; and R. Heiden, County Planner; and Roger Oberg, Commission member.

### GRAIN CAUSED BY ALTERNATE GROWING OF TREE

Grain in wood is caused by alternate layers of spring and summer wood as a tree grows.

In the wet, spring months, after a tree comes out of its semi-dormant state and the sap starts to flow freely, trees grow rapidly. The layer of wood put on during this period is porous.

During the dry summer months, when there is little moisture, tree growth slows down and the layer of wood put on is dense and relatively hard. Thus, when a round log is sawn into square boards, the saws cut across the grain, making fascinating patterns, whorls, tracings and texture.

The log can be sawn to get vertical grain boards for flooring and where wear is important, or the log can be quarter-sawn to get a modified grain or full tangential to the annual rings to get the full effect of the beauty and character of the wood.

### LESS CALORIE FOOD, MORE PRODUCE BEING EATEN TODAY

Today's average American eats about the same amount of food, measured in pounds, as an average American ate 50 years ago. But the kind of food he eats is the big change.

According to research done by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, there were increases in dairy products (except butter), eggs, meats, fish, poultry, citrus fruits, tomatoes, vegetables (leafy, green and yellow) and sugars and sirups. In contrast, only half as many potatoes and sweet potatoes and half as much flour and corn meal are eaten now as compared to 1909.

Increases in the eating of fresh fruits and vegetables is probably due to the advances in transportation, refrigeration, merchandising and geography of production. Fifty years ago available food changed with the seasons because perishables had to come from nearby due to slow transportation. Has replaced the high calorie counts of potatoes with those of fats. Although the food supply today is eight per cent lower in calories, a large portion of the calories comes from the use of fats and oils in salads and cooking and from the so-called invisible fats in whole-milk dairy products, meat, poultry and fish.

More of the carbohydrate supply comes from sugars and less from potatoes and grain foods.

And, the report continues, many of the diet changes are shifts from the lower priced to the higher priced foods. Some of these higher prices result from increased processing of many foods. Even though they are more costly, they save the homemaker many long hours in the kitchen.

With the knowledge that the earth-satellite program has caused men of all nations to fix their eyes on the stars comes the pleasing thought that they'll have a lot less time to eye the borders of each other's countries.

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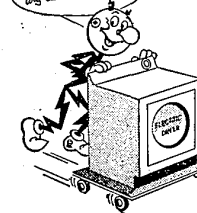


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