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Bathrooms Top List Of Needed Additions

More rooms for the home or created by better use of the most desired, remodeling jobs, and more baths are being most frequently mentioned. Such was the finding of a survey conducted by the National Home Improvement Council.

Of homeowners who are definitely planning a remodeling project, more than half favored room additions, and of rooms to be added, the bathroom was the most popular. Whether the bath is built larger or added, it will call for a larger heater capacity.

Remodel To Boost Your Home's Space, Convenience and Value

In both older and newer homes, the sounds of hammer and saw, sander and spray gun, and a myriad of busy tools will soon be responding to the call to "Home Improvement Time."

Not only thriving but growing stronger than ever, interest in improving existing homes, is literally sweeping the country, as homeowners go forward with plans designed to increase living space, enhance comfort and add importantly to property values.

"Home improvement" can mean many things, but signs indicate that, first of all, it means adding a room. Among 1500 homeowners surveyed by the National Home Improvement Council, 76 per cent were planning a specific remodeling job, and of those, 86 per cent wished to add space to existing homes—especially, bathrooms, and family rooms.

Home Painting Tips To Remember

DO REMEMBER colors are relative and must be seen together.

DON'T USE glossy paints on walls; do ceilings, or living areas, since such surface creates glare.

DO STUDY color swatches in both day and night light; colors often change under artificial light.

DON'T HAVE all shiny or all rough-textured fabrics in one room—vary them for visual interest.

DON'T PAINT glaring architectural features, such as radiators, to contrast with their background. This will emphasize them.

DO MIX light and deep colors in each room.

DIVIDED ENTRY—To make frame of 2x4s, with 4x4 posts a simple divider screen be anchoring floor-to-ceiling. Between living room and en-lock boards should be tongue-and-groove, use vertical grain and groove, surfaced both western hemlock boards in slides.

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Plan to Get Full Value
When you have determined just how much you want to improve, consult local dealers and contractors for estimates. Since increasing the resale value of your home should be an important consideration in any improvement project, make sure the money you spend will get results that enhance property values.

Landscaping Has Important Value to Home

What do people think when they see your home, either in passing, or in visiting it? Often the home may be judged by neighbors and friends on the basis of its landscaping and the pleasing effect landscaping imparts to the property. The value and saleability of a home depends to considerable extent on the first impression of the property as a whole, with good landscaping enhancing the value.

Primary points for good landscaping include excellence of design, according to the American Association of Nurserymen. A well-designed planting takes advantage of the topography of the site to create a beautiful picture from any vantage point — on the street side, in the rear yard, on the terrace, or looking at the side borders of the property.

It capitalizes on good views and screens off unsightly vistas. It ties the house to the ground in such a way that it delights the eye, as living plants, sun, earth and sky and house become part of one composition.

Adequate shade should be provided at the time of day you want it and exactly where you want it. Flowers and foliage, roses and perennials are placed for enjoyment in just looking, or so the blooms can be cut to brighten up the indoors.

Proper landscaping today or outdoor living that has become increasingly popular in the past few years. The garden living area is planned with both outdoor entertainment and recreational features.

Privacy of course is necessary, and this can be provided either by hedges or informal groupings of plants. Sometimes just one or two evergreen or flowering shrubs, or trees, will create the desired effect.

For those who enjoy fresh fruits, and who doesn't, there can be fresh berries, raspberries, or asparagus and rhubarb.

Cedar Lining Is Easy Project For Week-End

One of the easiest home improvement projects for Dad is lining a closet with aromatic red cedar. This is an ideal weekend project, and it provides moth-repellent storage space for less than it would cost to replace a coat ruined by moths.

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