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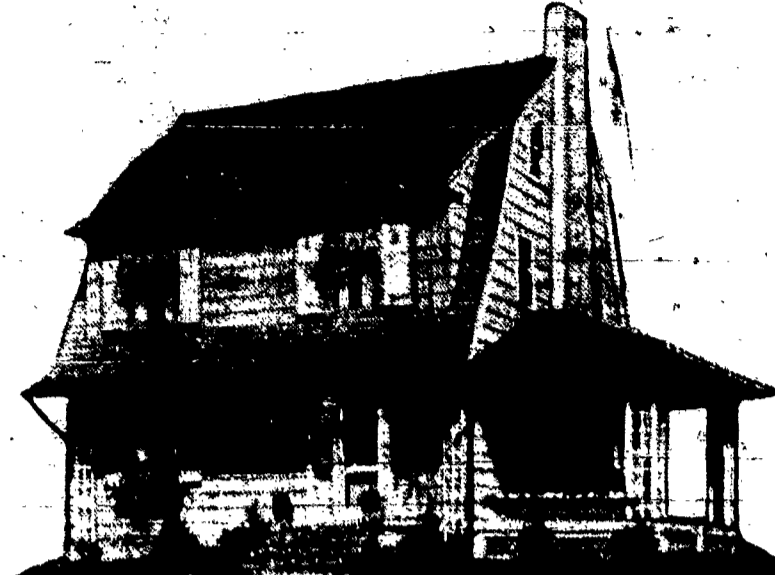
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Dutch Colonial Style That Appeals  
to Those Who Prefer an Open Porch



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Though of late years open porches have been rare in home construction there are still many people who appreciate them, especially on warm summer evenings and who do not feel that a home is complete without one. It is highly probable that in the years ahead many of the more recently built homes will have porches added



whole side. At its far end the stairway rises directly from the room. An arched opening connects it with the dining room directly back of which is the kitchen. The living room is a really large room, 33 by 23 feet. The dining room and kitchen are in proportion, much space being saved by the elimination of a first floor hallway.

Above stairs there are one large bedroom and two smaller ones, neither of which, however, is so small as to seem restricted. Each bedroom has a closet of ample size and windows on two sides, providing good cross ventilation. The bathroom, in the center of the second floor, is conveniently placed in relation to the bedrooms and there is a linen closet in the hallway close by.

**Walls Held Important in Attractive Homes**  
The reason why flat or glassless paint finishes have become so popular for interior walls is that they form a perfect background for room furnishings and decorations. Walls, to a surprising extent, make the difference between furniture in stores and furniture in homes. The glassless painted backgrounds have the added advantage of practicality, for when finished with a paint such as white lead and flinting oil they can be washed time and time again without the slightest harm.

**Roof Protection Is Needed for Entry Door**  
Every home has an entrance door, even though it sometimes takes the owner of the house himself to find it, the designer having so carefully concealed it. Roof protection at the entrance door is highly desirable for the convenience of the visitor who is waiting for an answer to his ring. This may be a shed or a pediment roof supported on brackets, or a more ornamental porch with square posts or round columns. A typical example is the colonial entrance porch with its delicate columns, gracefully molded cap and cornice, and the well-designed door often with sidelights and, where possible, a transom.

**Selected Common Brick Expresses Individuality**  
The home owner selects masonry wall construction to obtain security from the hazards of fire and the elements. A material which will accomplish this and likewise add architectural charm to the house is the natural choice.

**Outside Wood Needs Three Coats of Paint**  
All outside woodwork should have at least three coats of paint. Inside woodwork may have three or more, depending on what finish is most desired.

**Thickness Advised for Doors**  
Outside doors should be 1 1/2 inches in thickness and of white pine or oak. Inside doors between rooms should be at least 1 1/4 inches in thickness. In principle the sills and walls should be of hard or soft wood. Doors for closets may be 1 1/4 inches in thickness

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**Flemish City of Grammont**  
Cake Pitching, Keg Fire Feast

By Rev. J. Van der Heyden.  
Louvain, Belgium, April 18.—The C. News Service.  
Louvain, Belgium, April 11.—The Flemish city of Grammont has just celebrated a curious popular feast. It is called "Kraakingswever of Tonkenensbrand," which may be translated "Cake pitching and keg fire."

The ceremonial of the feast begins at the City Hall, to which the Very Reverend Dean of Grammont betakes himself early in the afternoon to watch, surrounded by the Burgomaster and his councilmen (mostly socialists,) the formation of a procession which is to take them to the chapel outside of the city where the feast is to culminate.

While the bells of all the churches ring out joyous peals, throngs surge through the city's narrow lanes and the long procession starts on its way. It is made up of all the civic societies of the town. Socialists, Catholic and Liberal organizations fraternize upon that one day of the year.

The line of march is closed up by the clergy, the city authorities and the proud, stalwart bearers of six enormous baskets filled with cakes, the number of two thousand. Boy scouts mount guard around the bearers and their appetizing load.

The cortege proceeds through the town's crooked streets to a hill some three hundred feet above the town level. There, in a copse of trees, stands a small, but pretty Byzantine chapel dedicated to Our Lady of Good Success.

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**Weekly Calendar**  
Sunday, May 5.—St. Plus V., was noted for the reforms he enforced in the government of the Church and in the Roman Court as well as for the spotlessness of his own life. The holy league which he formed crushed the Turks at the great battle of Lepanto in 1571 and saved Christendom from the infidels.

Monday, May 6.—St. John Before the Latin Gate. This feast serves to recall to the faithful how when St. John was plunged into a caldron of boiling oil at the command of the Emperor Domitian, the seething liquid seemed to him only an invigorating bath. After this miraculous rescue the Saint was banished to the little island of Patmos.

Tuesday, May 7.—St. Stanislaus, Bishop of Cracow. In order to refute slanders against his honesty he on one occasion raised a dead man to life. He was slain by King Boleslas II whom he had often rebuked and finally excommunicated for scandalous excesses.

Wednesday, May 8.—The Apparition of St. Michael the Archangel. St. Michael is honored by the Church as the prince of the holy angels who opposed Lucifer and his associates in their revolt against God. He is the special protector of the Church against the assaults of the Devil.

Thursday, May 9.—St. Gregory Nazianzen was Patriarch of Constantinople at a time when that city was distracted by Arians and other heretics. During the second General Council he resigned his see in the hope of restoring peace to the troubled city, and retired to his native town where he died in the year 390.

Friday, May 10.—St. Antoninas, Archbishop of Florence, because of his charity was known as the "Father of the Poor." He sat as Papal Theologian at the Council of Florence.

Saturday, May 11.—St. Mamertus, Archbishop of Vienne in Dauphine. He is noted for having instituted the fasts and supplications called the Rogations. On one occasion when a fire was ravaging the city and had defied the efforts of men to put it out it was miraculously quenched through the prayers of the Saint.

## Al Smith's Life Will Soon Be In Your Hands

It Will Be Published in Serial Form in Near Future in the Saturday Evening Post

FROM THE FISH MARKET TO PRESIDENTIAL RACE

Covering His Twenty-five Years in Public Office, and Recent Campaign for President

Al Smith's life will soon be in your hands—in serial form, published in the Saturday Evening Post, and later on published in book form. It's safe betting it will be one of the best sellers. The Ex-Governor has just reached an agreement to write his life in serial form for The Post. It will be a life filled with activities, thick with the smoke of political battles, rich with the fruits of great accomplishments.

The price to be paid Al Smith for his life has not been made known. When reports of a rate of \$2 a word were submitted to Mrs. Henry Moskowitz, his representative, she smiled a denial, but admitted that the contract called for "a substantial sum." This is the announce-

ment made by Mrs. Moskowitz here: "Negotiations were concluded this week for the purchase of the serial rights of a book by former Governor Alfred E. Smith by The Saturday Evening Post. A satisfactory agreement was reached by Governor Smith and representatives of the magazine, and Governor Smith said that he will begin work immediately on the writing of the book.

"The magazine has purchased only the serial rights, and later publication in book form is contemplated.

"The book will contain Governor Smith's early reminiscences and also his own account of his twenty-five years in public office, including the recent campaign."

The serial publication will cover Mr. Smith's career from his Fulton Fish Market days and bring him on through his many years of public life to the conclusion of the recent presidential campaign.

## Limerick Sodalties Will Attend Dublin Emancipation Fete

Limerick, Ireland, April 18.—The Confraternity of the Holy Family, Limerick, will send a contingent of 3,000 men to Dublin for the Pontifical High Mass to be celebrated in the Phoenix Park, June 23rd. Three or four special trains will be reserved for them.