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Shanghai, Dec. 12.—Frank P. Lockhart, American Consul General at Hankow, has reported that Fathers Litchan and Luffin, two Irish priests, who were captured last April by bandits at Sien-tao-shen, Hupeh Province, were released recently. The bandits, by their ransom of \$7,000 Mexican (about \$3,220), for both of them, and that Father Fernandez, a Spanish priest, had been released on the payment of \$3,000 Mexican (about \$1,340), presumably by the mission.
Mr. Lockhart reported that the recent capture of Kuan, in Kiangsi Province, by the government troops did not result in the release of Sister Elizabeth, a Filipino nun, and other foreign missionaries captured there by the Communist army early in October.
Father Augustin de Gasper, an Italian, belonging to the Franciscan Order, was captured a few days ago by Communist bandits at Szechow, in Northern Hunan Province, bringing the total of foreign missionaries captured and not released to twenty-five.

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Catholic Club Christmas Work Soon Under Way

Many Christmas Baskets Will Be Filled for Needy People—Donations of Food or Money Needed.

Next week at the Catholic Women's Club the Business Women's Group will meet on Monday at 8 o'clock. The evening will be given over to filling Christmas baskets with staple foods which the group is planning to give in cooperation with the Christmas Bureau and the Rochester Catholic Charities. Mrs. Anna L. Breen is chairman of the committee in charge, and she is being assisted by the Misses Gertrude Van Mary, Mary, Gertrude, Harriet, and Irene Campbell, with Miss Lora, Mrs. L. C. C. of transportation. Final decisions on baskets will be made at the meeting. In preparation for its appearance at the Rochester Club, the group is preparing to give at Mass on Sunday on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's, the baskets will be distributed Tuesday evening under the direction of Mrs. Laura Remington.
Friday evening the Mission Group will come together for its monthly meeting.
Appeal is being made to the generosity of club members for aid in sending Christmas cheer to needy families of the Rochester Catholic Charities, some of whom will be without cheer this year for the first time, and many others, who are always living close to the poverty line, and will, therefore, be more in need than ever. Call Stone 4950. Checks will also be gratefully received.

Under Captain Rhea L. Whal, Girls Scout Troop 32 and 33 of the Club, are assisting in Girl Scout Community Service during the Christmas season and are dressing dolls and collecting and distributing toys.

Al. Smith Given An Irish Degree By Dublin Univ.

Dublin, Dec. 12.—The National University of Dublin has added to the college degrees held by Ex-Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York. It recently conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. Mr. Smith was unable to come to Ireland at this time to receive the degree in person, so it was conferred in his absence, with this tribute:
"The record of Mr. Smith is such as to elevate him into a position of international importance. Beyond question this is due to his personal hold on the people of his own land and those of Ireland. All who have admired his career are sure that an even greater work awaits him."
The degree is the fourth Mr. Smith has received. He also has honorary degrees from Manhattan College, Fordham University and Columbia.
"It has given me great pleasure," he said, "to learn of the honorary degree conferred upon me by Dublin University. The high standards of this institution are so well known throughout the world that further praise from me would be superfluous."
When a strong brain is weighed against a true heart, it seems to me like balancing a bubble against a wedge of pure gold.
—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

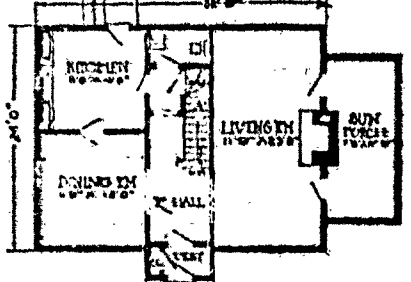
Attractive Dutch Colonial House That Will Make Many Hearts Yearn



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The Dutch colonial type of architecture is popular for the reason that it secures the greatest economy in space to the greatest advantage. The use of the wide dormer projections on the second floor and at the same time the exterior is broken so as to add to the attractiveness of the exterior of the house. A good example of the Dutch colonial is shown in the home building design illustrated here. The unusual en-



First-Floor Plan.

trance door and vestibule, the variegated roofing used, and the gable sun porch at the end are good features of this design.
This house is 24 feet long and 32 feet deep, exclusive of the sun porch.

Decorative Flooring Adds to Home Beauty

Decorative flooring is more than a mere surface to be walked on. It is a distinct decorative part of a room; it is one of the vital features in the construction of a house and, in many cases, it is a means of preventing the spread of basement fires and consequently a potential life-saver. There are but a few of the things that should be given careful consideration when the question of flooring is raised by the architect.
Wood floors are perhaps the most popular. And they may be laid in a never-ending variety of patterns. Narrow boards, wide boards or a combination of both, blocks, or the old-fashioned plank all make attractive and durable floors. But, again, there is more to a floor than its surface.
All floors should be laid over a sub-floor and, with wood, laid diagonally to lend rigidity to the finished floor. The joists should be bridged to prevent sagging. Bridging involves the placing of wood or metal strips diagonally between the floor joists to minimize the chances of lateral movement.
Recently there have been introduced many non-wood flooring materials. Perhaps the most used of these is linoleum. An interesting pattern of linoleum is one which simulates the old plank flooring of Colonial days. Even the wooden pegs and butterflies which held the planks together are imitated in this material.
Many finished floors are laid on a base of cement. To use this a special wire reinforcing is needed. This reinforcing is backed with a heavy building paper which holds the cement as it is poured; when it is hardened the wire-crossed wires impart strength. A base of this sort is particularly valuable in preventing the spread of basement fires. It will also aid in reducing fire insurance premiums.

Paneling Need Not Be Expensive, Expert Says

Paneling, contrary to the popular impression, need be no more expensive than other methods of treating walls, says Edward W. Dohaldson in "Better Homes and Gardens."
When paneling is mentioned, people too often think exclusively of the oak paneling of Tudor or early Stuart type of the deal or pine-paneled room of the late seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries; or of the ornate French paneling of sundry eighteenth century modes. Paneling of these types is worthy of all admiration; but either adaptations or reproductions are very expensive and demand a complete environment to correspond. Without such an environment, architecture and furnishings they become absurd. There are, however, perfectly legitimate kinds of simple paneling that require neither expensive material nor highly-skilled workmanship, and such paneling can be employed in the simplest rooms with entire propriety and excellent results.
The resources available for simple paneling are wood, plaster, paint, paper, and sundry fabrics, continues the writer in "Better Homes and Gardens." For low-ceiled rooms, vertical boarding, either with matched edges or with beaded, beveled, or knotty or plain, or popular may well be used for this purpose; the boarding may either be stained or painted and finished with wax. If people would only consent to let any kind of unpainted wood go without stain, and allow time and atmosphere to tone it, they would be repaid with delightful color, but most folks are too impatient for immediate effect. An easy type of paneling to create, and one that is comparatively inexpensive, is effected by applying wooden moldings on the plaster surface of the wall to form panels of the desired shape and size. The whole wall surface can then be painted. Again, the panels might be filled with certain types of wall paper, or with cloths or cretonne of appropriate pattern, shellacked, or antiqued and shellacked. Also, certain varieties of scenic wall paper could be used in this way. Still again, the panels might be filled with Chinese or Japanese gold or silver paper.
A further possibility for panel decoration is to apply combed reliefs in the manner of the late eighteenth century. The ground of the panel could then be painted some pale color, like pea-green or pearl-lavender, and the reliefs painted white. Yet another way of achieving inexpensive paneling is altogether through the medium of either paint or wall paper, without applying any wooden or combed moldings.

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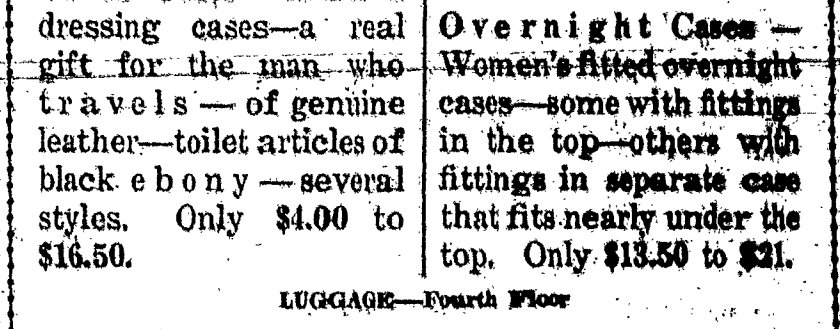
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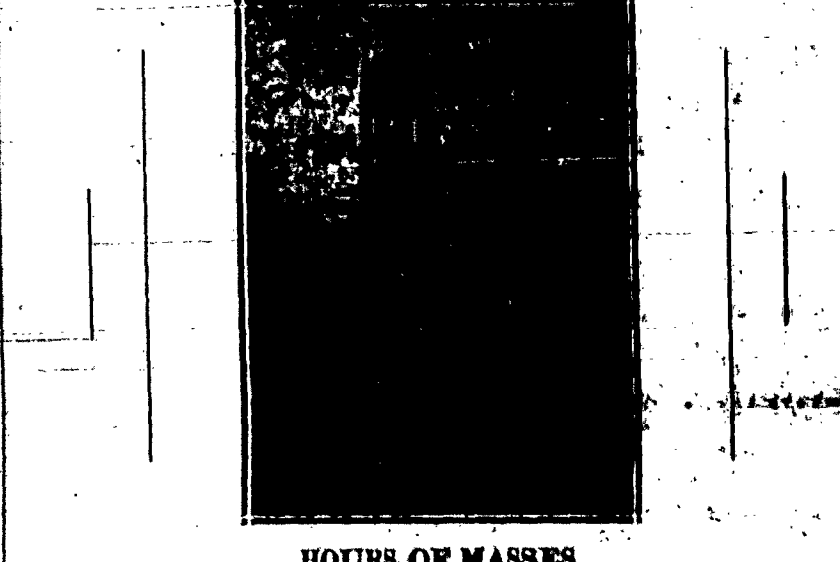
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