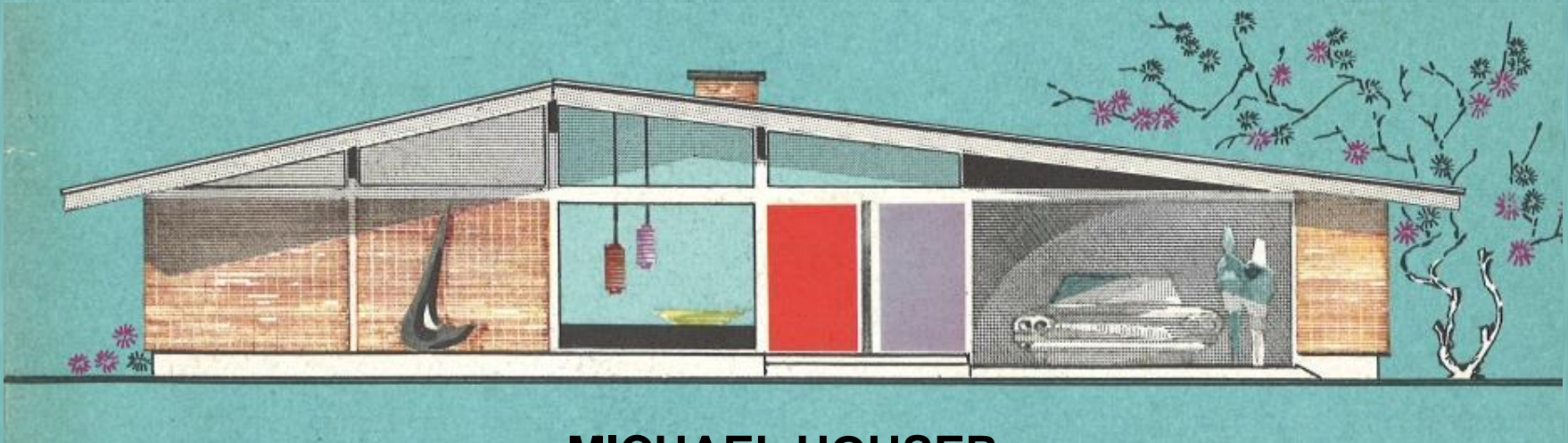




# MID-CENTURY MODERN ARCHITECTURE

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1935-1950

Many have octagonal window near front door

Medium sloped hip roof

Overall shape is square or rectangular with shallow room projections



Minimal to zero overhanging eaves with boxed soffits and wide frieze boards

Windows with horizontal muntin bars

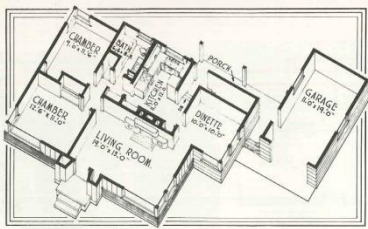
Clad in brick, clapboard, asbestos, combed shingles or stucco

Windows placed at the corner and wrap around two elevations

House Seattle, 1941

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History



FLOOR PLAN No 4356  
SITE: 34'-0" x 25'-0" AREA: 1,014 SQ. FT.

PLAN No. 4356-II Size 39'-0" x 28'-0" — Area 1,014 sq. ft.  
Designed in the latest modern manner with a breakfast table in the kitchen, this home has a basement party room with a fireplace.

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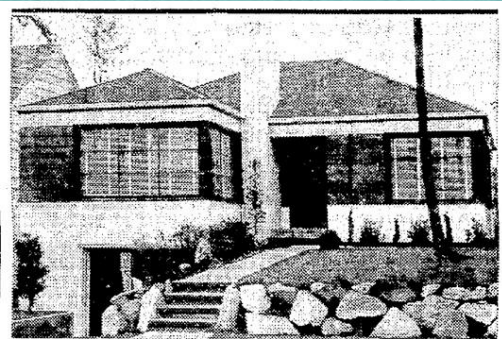
PLAN 41-E  
FOUR ROOMS—ONE STORY  
15,278 CUBIC FEET

The covered entrance, guest clothes closet, dining alcove, and U-shaped kitchen are but a few of the attractive and practical features of this popular small home.

Buller C. Chapin, Architect

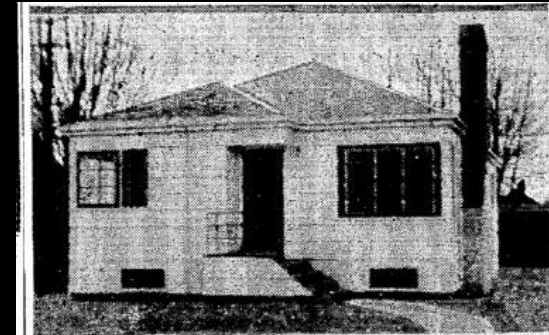
Weyerhaeuser 4-Square, 1947

Universal Book of Small Homes, 1941



Located at 2421 Roanoke St., this home was sold recently to Sidney Boole for H. T. Mahrenholz through the office of LOUIS HAWKINS, INC.

Seattle Times, 1938



In a transaction closed through the office of BARNEY BRUSH, INC., this home at 3253 63rd Ave. S. W. was sold recently to George R. Gilbert for Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Poeller. E. E. Lacy handled negotiations.

Seattle Times, October 1, 1940

Modern Features Seen in Westberg Home Plan



Preliminary work is under way for construction of this attractive conservative-modern style home for J. Orville Westberg of the Exchange Lumber company on Twenty-ninth, east of Bernard. The design is by Edwin J. Peterson, Spokane architect. The \$4000 class home is being built by William Bengel, contractor. It contains four rooms and a dining bay. A hot-air heating plant is planned for the half-basement. The exterior will be white, with stained roof. Both wide siding and vertical boarding will be used.

Spokane Daily Chronicle,  
March 23, 1937

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Small Homes Architectural Plan Service, 1937

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## Residential Examples



Mary Mason House Aberdeen, 1945



House Spokane, c.1946



House Bremerton, c.1943



House Auburn, c.1947



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## Residential Examples



House Bellingham, c.1946



House Mount Vernon, c.1949



House Longview, c.1945



House Spokane, c.1949



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Residential Examples



House Vancouver , 1946



House Seattle , c. 1944



House Monroe , c.1947



House Seattle, c. 1946