have a basement and the other half a utility room.

Here are some the pros and cons on the basement vs. utility room question:

Advantages of a basement: Provides storage space, recreation and hobby rooms; space for laundry and an extra bathroom or shower. With the heating plant in the basement the first floor is warmer.

Usually a large family, where much washing is necessary, wants a basement to provide a drying space for hanging clothes.

Advantages of utility room: No stairs to climb; all equipment handy near the kitchen where the housewife can hear and answer the doorbell, telephone and keep an eye on her children. It is above ground with better light and ventilation.

Young couples with no children and elderly people like the utility room.

The cost of one over the other

First Aid To The Ailing House

By ROGER C. WHITMAN

Question: Our chromium-plated kitchen chairs are rubbed from use and are beginning to get rusty. Is there anything to be done besides having them rechromed?

Answer: You can take off the rust with a rust-softening preparation, or by rubbing with a scratchless scouring powder mixed with kerosene. Wipe with turpentine, and then apply a coat of lacquer or varnish. Have plenty of ventilation, and do not work in the kitchen. If you care to paint the set, begin by rubbing with sandpaper in order to roughen the metal slightly, wipe with turpentine and follow with enamel undercoater and finish coat of enamel, or else use aluminum paint. Be sure to take off all rust before painting. If the chairs are of the tube type and have rusted on the under side, try to get a cabinetmaker to attach a strip of maplewood under each tube. This will act as a skid to take the wear off the tubing, and protect the floor. The next best move would be to wind some sort of heavy fabric around the tubing that rests on the floor.

Answer: Dealers in soldering materials sell a special aluminum solder and flux.

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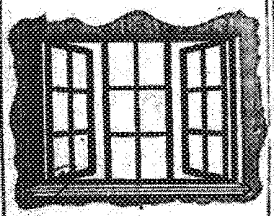

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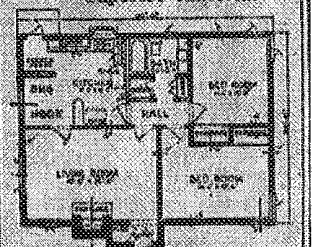

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