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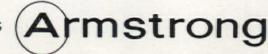
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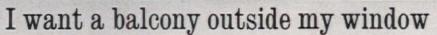
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DEAR READER:

If you happen to visit the New York World's Fair this season, and a good many millions of people will be doing so, you'll not only see the result of some pretty good planning on the spot but also get a peek into the Bright New Era that our planners have in mind.

Far be it for us to drag our feet, but before we kick up our heels and while the Bright New Era is still in the scale-model stage, let us remind our planners that planning is for people-and that we, the people, are becoming quite weary of planning that destroys.

We are becoming weary of planning that topples our trees, ravishes our countryside, ruins our natural surroundings, and utilizes our streams and rivers as convenient drainage ditches. We are weary of planning that in the name of renewal-urban or otherwisedestroys entire neighborhoods, uproots families, and demolishes buildings of tradition and beauty.

We are weary of ribbons of highway, all entrance and no exit, that seem planned simply to create more traffic problems. And while we are at it, we might say we're weary of the place-for-everythingand-everything-in-its-place type of planning too. We view with a considerable amount of distaste being told that here is a place to work, this is the place to sleep, this is the place to put your older people, and this is the place to live when you are young.

We are weary of planned centers-be they for shopping, entertainment, or culture-that have been developed to please the planners and not for the convenience of the people.

In short, we are sick and tired of being ignored by the planners. We realize that in today's complex society careful planning is necessary to keep us from tripping over one another. But we want it clearly understood that the planners are there to serve us and that we are human beings with very definite needs and opinions, and not a group of statistics compiled by surveys to be used at the discretion of the planners.

THE EDITOR

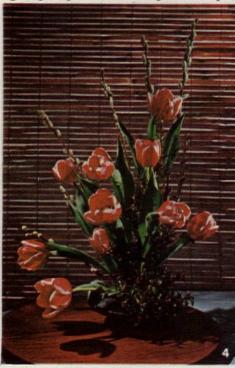
BRING THE SPRINGTIME INDOORS

Spread the beauty of your springtime garden all over the house, advises Dick Schuyt, famous floral arranger from Holland. His designs, shown here, inspired these hints to help you create exciting arrangements of your own.

1. Use the slender leaves of daffodils for accents in a tall arrangement. Loop them for added interest at the base.

2. For a dramatic display, don't be stingy. Heap your largest urn with flowers and branches, keeping symmetry and lively, pleasing colors as a goal. Set urn on floor for best effect. 3. A colorful casserole or ceramic pot can hold a perky kitchen arrangement to dress up a window or counter top. 4. Don't forget the not-so-lowly bushes in your garden. Pussy willow branches and Japanese holly add texture and body to the delicate beauty of tulips. 5. Choose colors carefully. Flowers, container, and accessories should blend for a truly distinctive arrangement.

6. Remember, the simplest design can be the most beautiful. A few blossoms, foliage, and a dash of your imagination can result in a springtime display to give you pleasure for days and days.





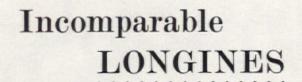








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We have been scouring our barbecue. It is one of the mystic, pagan rites of spring in these parts. When we move from the nice warm kitchen to the chill outdoor patio.

I am an outdoor barbecue man of long standing—you HAVE to stand while you are barbecuing and, believe me, it gets you in the legs.

However, in our outdoor set we must cook outside lest we be cut off at the country club. And the banker stiff us for the loan.

So our children can hold up their little heads among the other moppets. The cruelest thing a child can say to another these days is: "Yah! Yah! His mother cooks in the KITCHEN!"

We cook outside because it is a way of life. (It is also a good way to die. Early. But status runs on jet engines these speedy days.)

Immediately after we moved to Suburbia it was pretty obvious we needed one of these cookout rigs.

We had a \$500 stove. Timers and all that. You could put a barbecue in that elegant stove and go away and leave it for hours. When you came home—roast beef.

The point of the barbecue is what it does to your social standing. My neighbor Scofflaw has BUILT a barbecue. It is made of brick. He stokes it with imported Mexican charcoal—"gives something extra to the flavor," says Scofflaw, the snob. "They make it out a mesquite or something."

His barbecue is hooked by a long cord to the kitchen plug. His spit turneth over by electricity.

He has secret sauces he puts on the meat with a paintbrush.

He has a long spatula and special tongs for turning the charcoal. He has a chef's apron with a pocket labeled "Crying Towel." He has a chef's hat with funny sayings.

When Scofflaw cooks, the meat sputters angrily, spattering grease—mainly on Scofflaw and the Scofflaw children. Good!

The meat's cooking on the outside. But he is cooking on the inside.

It is my social problem to cut Scofflaw off at the pots and pans.

After scouring the barbecue, I went down and bought a dollar's worth of gravel. Gravel is used for a bed for the charcoal. Makes it burn better—though, if you ask me, charcoal is the most fire-resistant stuff there is. I have seen four-alarm warehouse fires started with less trouble than I have getting charcoal going.

Many people don't know where to get gravel. But I do-having once

owned a budgie. He was a talking budgie. But he never talked, the sullen bird.

Anyway, from having a budgie, I know you can buy gravel in a birdseed store. I say: "Give me a dollar's worth of gravel for the budgie."

I take it home, distribute it over the bottom of the barbecue.

Now, how do you start your cookout fire? Many a social climber has slipped on this rung of the ladder.

I put some Sunday newspapers in the pan. On top of the gravel.

Then I put a few twigs on top. I add the charcoal briquets. Then I light it.

The Sunday papers make a blaze that would warm your heart—it warms my shirt at 20 paces. When it dies down, the twigs are flickering. Like a cigarette lighter running out of gas. I pick up one of the briquets. It's still black. Cold as an overdue mortgage payment.

At this point, you get out a can of fire starter. This explosive fluid is sold right where they sell the charcoal. I squirt a quart of the stuff on the charcoal. I hate to do this because it is like cheating a little bit. In my Boy Scout book they quoted a wise old Indian:

"Paleface build heap big fire, no can get close. Injun build little fire. Get close. Heap warm. Ugh!"

I spray on the fire starter. Stand back and throw a match at it. Ugh! What a heap big fire! I tell you it nearly takes the eyebrows off me. A little mushroom cloud rises over the barbecue. And the kids yell:

"Daddy blew himself up!"

Once the charcoal is going and the meat is on, you must be careful not to burn it. That is, the meat should look like a black Gladstone bag on the outside. Inside it is deliciously pink.

However, the grease from the steak does not know this. It burns gloriously, spattering fiery grease in every direction, giving the barbecue cook third-degree burns and sending a greasy ash into the air. (It drifts down and floats on the martinis.)

To stop this—well, to slow it down, then—you shoot the blaze with a water pistol. The cook is rodded up like a Western TV gunman. We whip out the old water pistol and—squirt!

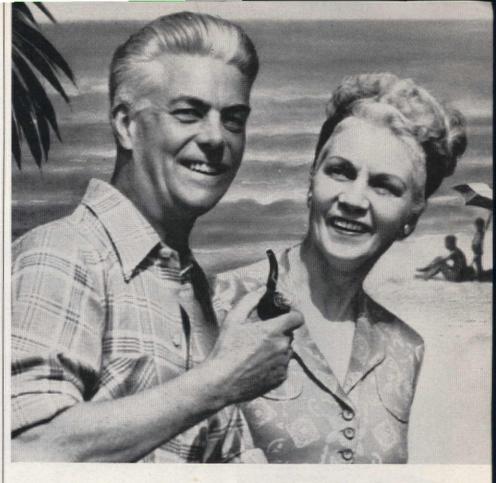
This solves the social order in our neighborhood. The Scofflaws are put down a charcoal peg.

The neighbors wave. The banker smiles his golden smile.

The kids—God's chillun—got status.

And into the blue heaven rises the holy smoke.

THE END



"How we retired in 15 years with \$300 a month"

"Here we are, living in Southern California. We've a little house just a few minutes' walk from the beach, with flowers and sunshine all year. For, you see, I've retired. We're getting a check for \$300 a month that will keep us financially independent as long as we live.

"But if it weren't for that \$300, we'd still be living in Forest Hills, and I'd still be plugging away at the same old job. Strangely, it's all thanks to something that happened, quite accidentally, in 1948. It was August 17, to be exact. I remember the date because it was my fortieth birthday.

"To celebrate, Peg and I were going out to the movies. While she went upstairs to dress, I picked up a magazine and leafed through it idly. Then somehow my eyes rested on an ad. It said, 'You don't have to be rich to retire.' Probably the reason I read it through was that just that evening Peg and I had been saying how hard it was for us to put anything aside for our future.

"Well, we'd certainly never be rich. We spent money as fast as it came in. And here I was forty already. Over half my working years were gone. Someday I might not be able to go on working so hard. What then?

"Now this ad sounded as if it might have the answer. It told of a way that a man of 40—with no big bank account, but just fifteen or twenty good earning years ahead—could get an income of \$300 a month, an income that would be guaranteed for life. It was called the Phoenix Mutual Retirement Income Plan.

"The ad offered more information. No harm in looking into it, I said to myself. When Peg came down, I was tearing a corner off the page. First coupon in my life I ever clipped. I mailed it on our way to the movies.

"Fifteen years slide by mighty fast. They were busy, unpredictable years. I couldn't see into the future. But my Phoenix Mutual Plan was one thing I never had to worry about! 1963 came... I received my first Phoenix Mutual check—and retired.

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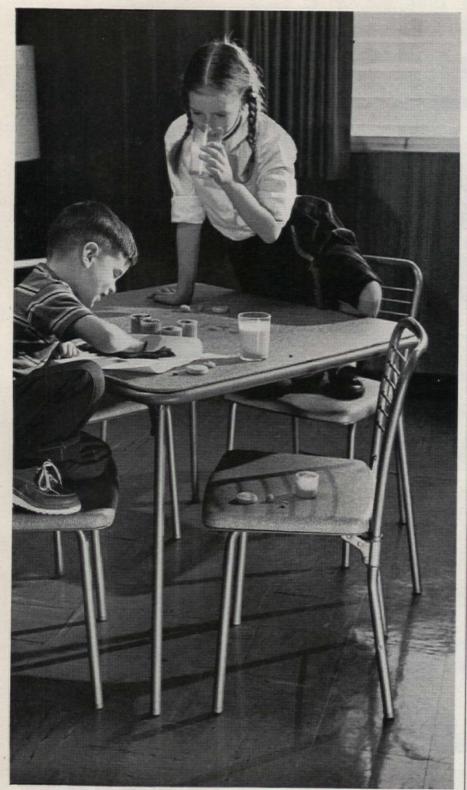
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We're pretty busy here, getting everybody slicked up and clearing a place on the wall for our portrait. But we managed to find time to remove the words BEST FOODS from a Skippy Peanut Butter label, and here it is (or that substitute you mentioned in Rule 3). Please enter my name in your Sweepstakes.

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I'm sure most people with brown thumbs have enough sense, or pride, to come in out of the rosebushes. Instead of crying in their Crimson Glories they take up china painting or skin diving. But not me. No matter how hard Mother Nature laughs in my face, I simply can't throw in the trowel.

I don't understand it. I'd like to be an opera singer, too-but I don't get up and make a fool of myself at the Met season after season. Why do I make a fool of myself in the garden spring after spring?

Take the time I scooped out 100 little tulip holes, one by one and exactly six inches deep (I measured them) for 100 tulip bulbs. I could scarcely wait for spring and the breath-taking explosion of scarlet blooms it would bring. I thought tulip time would never come. It didn't. Presumably I buried them

Take my rock garden. You guessed it-all rock and no garden, before you could say sweet alyssum.

Of course, in the beginning I insisted upon starting from seed. It still doesn't seem quite Burbank to me to buy one's blossoms already halfway into their teens. Seeds are so much cheaper. But even good old zinnias (anyone can grow zinnias from seed) falter under my brown thumb. My double giant hybrids come up looking like dwarf marigolds. My marigolds you have to lie down on the ground to see. Not a one of them is worth the searing agonies I suffered trying to decide which baby seedlings to throw to the wolves.

I adore gardening, but don't ask me why. It's probably as heartwrenching, backbreaking, time-consuming, nerve-racking, and budgetwrecking a recreation as one can choose. It annihilates your fingernails, corrugates your knees, and makes for a very uneven sun tan. I can see some excuse for a green thumb spending her life groveling around in the dirt. But with me, gardening is all work and no pay-off.

I will say I work a good garden. I'm the hardest-working gardener in the world. If there's a new bed to be

dug, I can't wait for male assistance. I have at it with pitchfork and spade like a refugee from a chain gang. I stab it and pulverize it and sift it and rake it till even the princess with the pea could curl up in it and sleep for a week. I lift that bonemeal and tote that peatmoss. I water and spray and thin; I seed and weed and feed. If there's a water shortage, I'm up at daybreak and out till midnight tending my thirsty little babies. I build little awnings to shelter my tender new seedlings. If I thought it would help, I'd sit there holding up morning glories until their tendrils got a good grip. As a pansy picker and petunia pincher, I'm faithful as Penelope and patient as Griselda.

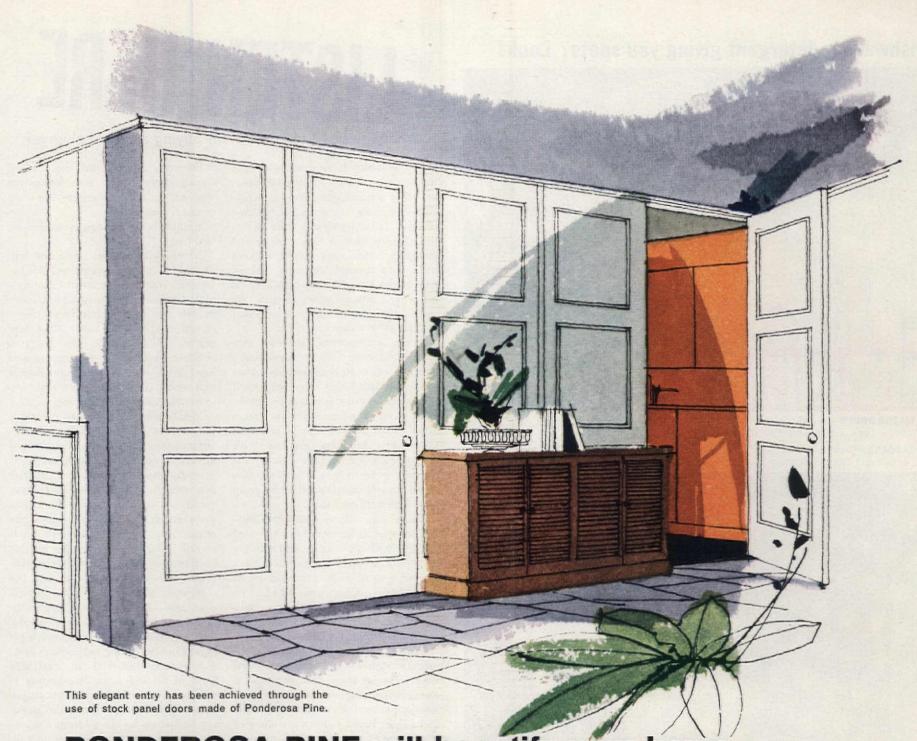
And I talk a good garden. Just like real green-thumb gardeners, I'd rather read the lush, heady, juicy prose in a seed catalogue than any best-seller. My iris talk is especially impressive . . . "note the extraordinary substance of the falls, the exquisite casualness of the elegant ruffle, the stardust sheen that warms to sunset glow near the golden bearded haft." My idea of a sparkling conversational gambit at cocktail parties is "How do you winter over your geraniums?"

But in spite of all perversity and adversity, I mulch on. Never for one moment do I doubt that this seed or this bulb or this seedling will come up just like the pretty pictures. Drunkenly, I go on dreaming and clipping and planting.

Someday, I know my green thumb will come in. The truth is, I know gardening is a very serious hobbyin fact, a life's work. It's not for people with children to take care of, beds to make, meals to cook, or bills to pay. It's like toe-dancing—dangerous if you start too young. Maybe someday when Sean and Cindy are married off, house work's just a pushbutton, dinner's just a jar of pills, and life is just a bowl of coupons to clip. . . .

But in the meantime, look, it's spring again! There's manure in the air! And I've got fifty fabulous Cloud Cap iris out there just waiting to burst into a breath-taking symphony of celestial pink-I think.

JEANNE LAMB O'NEILL



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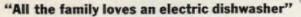
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LISTEN HERE

What you need to know when buying a record changer

Where you may have spent your time in the early thirties is your business; we hung around our favorite sweetshop watching the juke box change records. This historical note is injected here just to keep the record straight; automated record players have been around for quite a time. And as the Age of Automation clanks, blips, and buzzes along, watch for spectacular forms of self-propelled hi-fi music systems.

There is already a tape cartridge system (about which more later) that'll provide 16 hours of continuous music without being attended. Stack the cartridges in the player at breakfast; you'll have music until bedtime. Who wants to program for late evening while breaking his fast with strong coffee or orange juice? Our primary concern here is with the disc changers and unattended music from after lunch till cocktails.

There was a time when hi-fi purists sneered at automation. A record changer with its linkages and changer drive-mechanisms, said they, couldn't deliver fi as hi as a turntable not so encumbered. They were right. The quality gap between changers and single-play turntables has narrowed with time's passing, however.

People frequently ask us to recommend a complete music system—and we always ask them, "Do you want a changer or single-play turntable?" Ninety per cent of the time they want a changer. What follows are some of the things to consider in buying one.

The word "changer," by the way, is out; "automatic turntable" is in. This semantic shuffle relates, of course, to the close-to-turntable quality attained today by most changers. In appearance, today's models are slick as a whistle. You'll have trouble making a choice. The agony of choosing can be reduced by rating models according to specific operating factors.

First, is the unit easy to operate? Second, is the operation completely noise free? Third, the unit should be capable of easy "reject."

Fourth, the tone arm should be free after it returns to rest. You should be able to pick it up and play any band of a record if you want to.

Fifth, adjustments should be easy to make. Adjustments are necessary for: tone-arm pressure, height of arm as it swings over the record, and another for setting the needle down on the lead-in groove.

Sixth, has the unit provision for adequate shock mounting? The manufacturer should provide some means of insulating the turntable from the many and varied shocks that a home with active children is heir to.

Seventh, can the unit be covered during operation? A cover keeps out dust and grit that increase the wear of your records.

Eighth, is the change cycle smooth and fast?

Ninth, will the unit track and trip at light tracking pressures? Lightweight tracking separates today's more sophisticated designs from older models and many cartridges are designed to track at lower than two grams. Why should you want a changer to track at two grams and less? Well, wear on diamond needle and record groove is practically non-existent at such light forces.

What about the tape cartridge player that offers 16 hours of continuous play? If you can't conceive of anyone needing that much music at a single session, don't fret, neither can we. But that cartridge player (produced by the Revere-Wollensak division of the 3M Company) has other virtues. Two of the four models will record as well as play backin stereo too. The tapes thread themselves, rewind themselves, and the cartridges slip around (with no outside help) from player platform to storage stack in an almost spooky fashion. Watching the unit work is almost as entertaining as listening to it.

Recorded material in cartridge form is limited since the system is relatively new. Still, the catalogue holds more than 100 items and is being beefed-up by items from Columbia, Command, Westminster, Kapp, and Reprise. The quality is good—without being quite the equal of discs played on a top-flight and top-priced turntable with a superior pickup.

The thing that will give pause to most people is the price of the tape system and the cartridges to play on it. Recorded tape cartridges cost an average of \$7.50 for 48 minutes of music. Blank tape cartridges—for your own recording—cost \$4.50. The players range from \$399 (for a complete unit with speakers and all electronics included in one package) to \$269 (for cartridge handler and some playback electronics). To use the latter, provide your own power amplifiers and speaker systems.

Despite its brilliant solution to the problem of how to program a 16-hour musical marathon, the tape cartridge player seems unlikely to provoke any undo concern to disc and disc-player manufacturers. Not this year, at any rate. But who can say what may happen to tape cartridge prices in the months ahead? And who knows?—we may even be able to program our evening's Khachaturian while sipping our morning coffee. THE END



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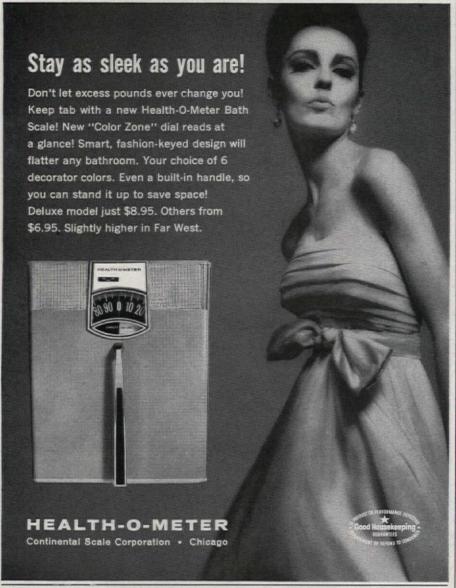


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DOWN TO THE SEA IN STYLE DOWN TO THE SEA IN STYLE

Captain Ahab wouldn't have liked it. Jack London would have scorned it. Hemingway's old man of the sea would have uttered profanity. But women, those born invaders of the cocktail lounge, the golf course, and the bowling alley, have now moved into man's last lonely refuge—the sea!

There was a time when any old salt who made the China run left his wife pacing around on a captain's walk in Salem or Marblehead. It isn't so today. The Loreleis have not only come aboard but, what's worse, they're lugging all their lovely feminine gear right along with them.

Did you know, for example, that you can now buy your motor cruiser in decorator colors? If the blue of the sea is just too, too much blue, you can order your boat in deep Burgundy red, or jet and gold two-tone. Desert tan is a nice dry, offbeat color too—sort of takes the dampness off a day at Laguna.

And if you think things have gone berserk topside, wait till you go below. The boat manufacturers no longer try to woo the skipper of the ship with talk of hull shapes and twin horsepower engines. It's his first mate they're after. The sales brochures hail the "decorator décor for milady afloat." Everything's just like home only more so.

What's more, several of the big boat manufacturers have gone out and secured the professional talents of interior decorators. The idea is not only to have the interiors seaworthy but chic and high style as well. The cabins are color keyed and luxuriously appointed right down to the seating, side panels, and dashboards. Anyone who is anyone on the bounding main wouldn't dream of an ordinary anchor or wheel motif for the draperies. That's gauche and old hat!

You have to have something with more warmth and charm for the good life aboard. It's enough to make Davy Jones turn over in his locker, but you can now have a curved sectional lounge for the pilot house and a folddown king-sized bed for the cabin. Wall to wall carpeting? Of course! It's no longer the thing to bring a plain old mop to swab down the decks . . . you bring your vacuum cleaner. A stereo system? An absolute must. Who could enjoy "roughing it" on the high seas without the lilting strains of Debussy's "La Mer" to soothe the salty brow?

Now let's step into the head. It's still called the "head" even though it's now a lot closer to a powder room. Twin basins with plastic laminated tops yet. A "johnny" in soft pastel shades of pink, blue, or yellow. And of course there's the stall shower with just gallons and gallons of hot and cold running water.

The biggest invasion of all by the predatory female has taken place in the galley. Galley is a naughty word to a woman because galley reminds her of a slave. And this she is not-be she off Nantucket or Catalina. Her idea of what should be standard equipment aboard is enough to make an appliance salesman's eyes pop. A minimum of three burners on the range to begin with. An oven, of course. A rotisserie-well, she might be able to survive without one-but as long as they're available they really do make things pleasant and convenient when guests are aboard. The refrigerator-and this is what the little woman will pound her fists on the bulkhead for-must be a 10cubic-foot job. It must have a freezer compartment too. There's absolutely no reason for cleaning and filleting a day's catch when you can buy those little pouches of baked fillet of sole in white wine and mushroom sauce and just pop them into boiling water. Being a sea-going gourmet is easier than you think! And with all those electric outlets at every turn, why not enjoy the coffee maker and all the other small appliances that you indulge in at home?

Then there is that last little item which the brochures say removes the "last obstacle to cruising fun"—the dishwasher. It's the newest status symbol for your status symbol afloat.

What does my wife think of all this? She thinks it's great. As a matter of fact we're planning to spend the summer on our 36-footer. We're not cruising anywhere, mind you. Thought we'd tie up at the new 240-acre marina at the World's Fair along with 800 assorted craft. That's the life for you. Festive evenings under the stars in an outdoor café . . . dining in a 300seat restaurant . . . 24-hour vending machines dispensing everything from ice cubes to frozen dinners . . . a mail port . . . even a coin-operated laundry. If you're in the area why not pop into a boat taxi and come see our décor? Come formal, of course. The cocktail flag goes up at six. THE END

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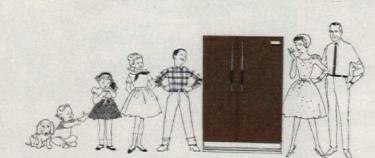
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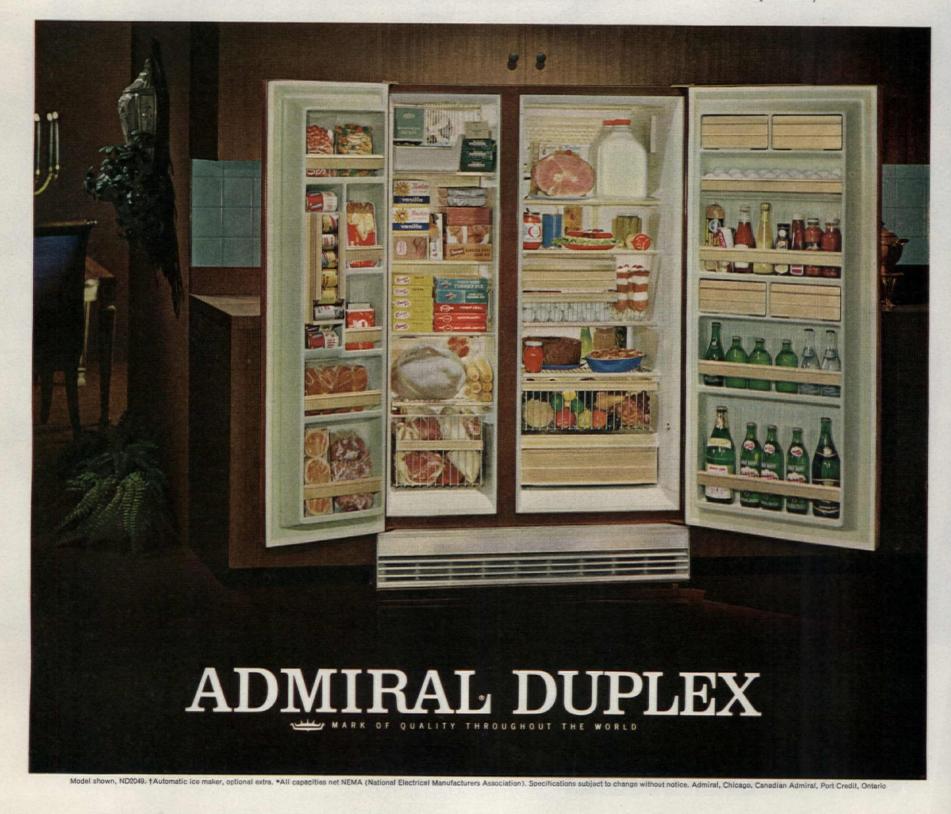
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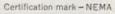


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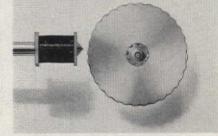
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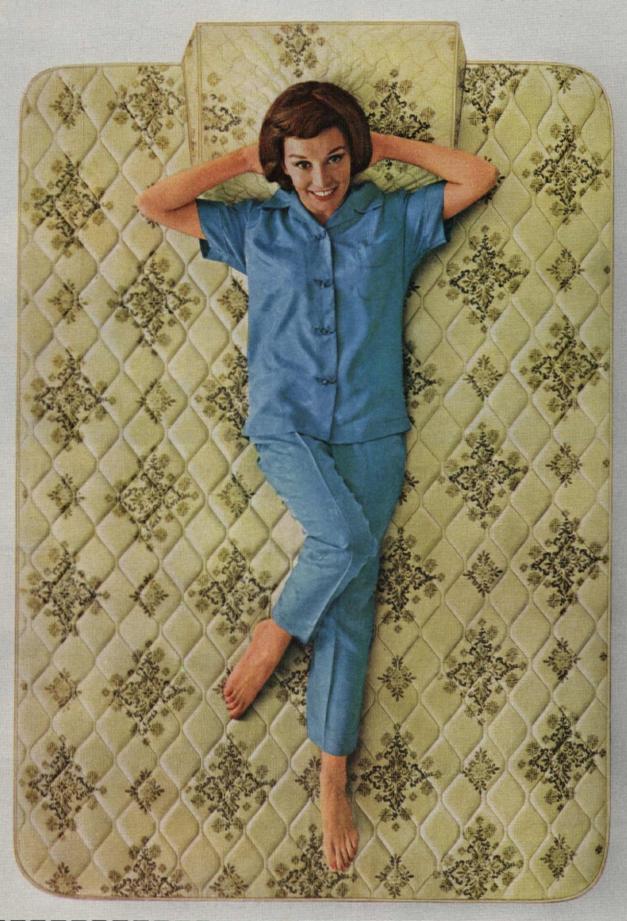
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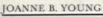
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If you want your children to see the homes of their forefathers in the cities coast to coast where America was born, whistle them in from the playground. Hurry them into the car and drive-drive fast-to the cobbled streets lined with the homes of the makers of our history. But hurrybecause soon, very soon, many of them will be gone.

From New York to New Orleans, Sacramento to Savannah, old and historic houses are crashing down before the forces of growth and neglect. In the rush to build sorely needed superhighways and new housing developments and to clear slums and blighted areas, we are too often leveling buildings which are the three-dimensional documents of our historic past.

"It is urgent," says Christopher Tunnard, professor of City Planning at Yale University, "that we begin to pay as much attention to what is coming down as to what is going up.' Professor Tunnard was speaking at a seminar on Restoration and Preservation jointly sponsored by Colonial Williamsburg and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

From coast to coast those who are concerned with saving these heritage homes see one after another goinggoing-and gone.

Near Kinderhook, New York, the Van Allen house, said to be the greatest existing example of Dutch Colonial architecture in the United States, is about to fall because its owner can't afford to restore it.

Hope House near Windsor, North Carolina, was once the handsome plantation home of David Stone, governor of the state from 1808 to 1818. The show place of the county, it had a spacious ballroom, gambling rooms, and a secret stairway. Now it is kept scrupulously clean and neat but buckets stand under roof leaks on the second floor and a number of windows are boarded up since a hurricane blew out the panes several years ago. The magnificent wains-

coting and ceiling moldings are peeling. Its porches have disappeared.

Not all distinguished houses endangered by the march of time date back to our Colonial history. In Los Angeles, the Walter Luther Dodge residence, a milestone in early modern architecture, may fall before the bulldozers soon. It was built at the turn of the century of reinforced concrete, which designer Irving Gill believed could easily attain the architectural importance of stone. The house embodied his revolutionary theory (for Victorian days) that ease of upkeep was an integral part of good design. Landscaping-the effect of sun-making shadow patterns on its white walls through vines and trees-was planned as carefully as its structure. Now its neighborhood has been rezoned for apartments and the Southern California chapter of the American Institute of Architects is battling to save it from destruction.

Recently, Frank Lloyd Wright's Robie house in Chicago, the "prairie house" believed by many to be the greatest of his early work, only escaped by a hair from being leveled to make way for a school dormitory, and its fate is still uncertain. When offered the house for a museum, the University of Chicago insisted that a \$250,-000 endowment be raised for restoration and maintenance. The fundraising drive still has a long way to go.



Belle Grove, White Castle, Louisiana, built in 1857, was demolished by fire in 1952.

When we consider the expense of authentic restoration and sound preservation measures, we must ask ourselves which among all the tens of thousands of existing old houses are worth saving and to what use they can be put.

Any house which is a masterpiece of art or architecture should be spared, but beauty and age alone are not necessarily criteria. An old and ugly tenement, if it produced a poet or a president, or if it typifies an integral part of the growth of a city, might be as worthy a landmark as the most beautiful neo-classical building. A log cabin as well as a Georgian mansion speaks to us in ringingly realistic terms of our legacy from the past. We must not delude ourselves by sugar-coating history as we would like it to have been lived. If preservation is to be meaningful, it must first of all be honest.

How can we use these old houses and who will maintain them? Of course, if a house has truly historic value it should be accurately restored, furnished, and opened to the public as a museum. Such a house could be maintained by the local historical society. Homes which are good architectural examples of their period can be turned into clubhouses by various organizations. Sometimes these older homes can be used as professional offices but this is not always practical because of limited parking space. Unless a house has been properly maintained, it can be very costly for an individual family to put it in living condition. In some cases truly fine examples of historic homes are moved to a museum-village. This has happened in Sturbridge, Massachusetts, where many of the buildings were taken apart at their site and reassembled piece by piece in an appropriate setting in the village.

How can we save these buildings? Throughout the United States, over 500 separate local agencies have the (continued) right of eminent

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(continued) domain for urban renewal projects. However, no national agency and no federal legislation (such as monument protection acts in France, Denmark, Italy, the Netherlands, and Sweden) has authority to forbid the destruction of historic buildings, even those of undisputed national significance, by any of these 500 local groups. In some far-sighted cities, a local board has such a right.

Those who argue against federal control in such matters consider it of purely local interest whether the home of a native son is preserved or is razed. This is not the case. A Monticello or a Casa Amesti is the heritage not only of the citizens of Charlottesville, Virginia, or Monterey, California, but of every man, woman and child in our 50 states.

Conrad L. Wirth, who recently retired as director of the National Park Service, is among those who fully realize the grave crisis faced by our historic buildings. The advice and assistance of the Park Service, within the limits of its budget and personnel, are always available to groups concerned with the preservation and administration of such houses.

Mr. Wirth advocates making the National Park Service the guardian of historic buildings endangered by other federal projects such as the highway program and urban renewal. He urges that the organization be made a required consultant—as the Fish and Game Department is for conservation of wildlife resources—while each new project is still in the planning stage.

Another possible solution was proposed at the Williamsburg seminar by Nathaniel Owings, a member of President Kennedy's Advisory Council for the Redesign of Pennsylvania Avenue. Owings urged creating a cabinet post for a secretary who would represent the taste and culture of our country with authority to act in its behalf. A vital tool of this department would be the Historic American Buildings Survey, a national program for listing and evaluating historic structures, which is jointly sponsored by the American Institute of Architects, the Library of Congress, the National Park Service, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. This inventory, when expanded, should be the basis for determining what buildings could not be altered or destroyed without the consent of the guardian agency.

No matter how much may be accomplished, however, on the federal level, the preservation of historic homes is not and should never be the exclusive concern of government. It is rightfully the business of each one of us. A house, or even an entire block or neighborhood in our older cities, may have no national significance, but may add something precious and well worth saving to the local scene.

Stephen W. Jacobs, associate professor of architecture at Gernell University, outlines six steps for those interested in preserving a building:

- Be informed about it. Identify its values so you'll know exactly why it should be preserved.
- Organize a local group of interested people who will work enthusiastically to preserve the house or area.
- Work through your representative in the state government to pass whatever legislation will be necessary to authorize your group's activity and to make available to your local government the powers and resources from the state which will help your project.
- See that local ordinances are passed that will protect it.
- Encourage local agencies to apply for financial assistance from higher levels of government if your program requires more aid than will be available locally.
- Remain on the job! Preservationists must fill the roles of custodians, developers, and watchdogs to make sure that all resources are used to good advantage. It is never enough to get a program to save a building under way and then relax.

Valuable advice is available from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, 815–17th Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C. In the last year, this organization, under its executive director, Robert R. Garvey, Jr., has advised groups from 50 different communities who have since been successful in getting historic areas protected in their own cities.

While urban renewal activities on a local level present one of the drastic threats to many historic city houses, the Urban Renewal Administration has been an enthusiastic, willing partner in restoration of these historic districts. Far from advocating the destruction of fine old buildings, this agency has worked tirelessly with local groups in many cities to plan the best means of restoring noteworthy buildings and to improve their settings, and has financed studies in these areas. Architect and landscaping plans have been provided for home owners in redevelopment areas. Federal funds can't be used for actual historic restoration, but special FHA mortgage insurance is now available to individuals for improving their own homes in historic neighborhoods.

Margaret Carroll, urban planner for the U.R.A., points out emphatically that the formulation of all urban renewal plans is local. Therefore, the responsibility for preserving our own well-loved historic landmarks is entirely ours as individuals.

The most important step we can take is to see that a careful survey is made in our own communities to catalogue those buildings which have a right to be preserved well in advance of any final plans for urban renewal, or highway expansion, or a new shopping center.

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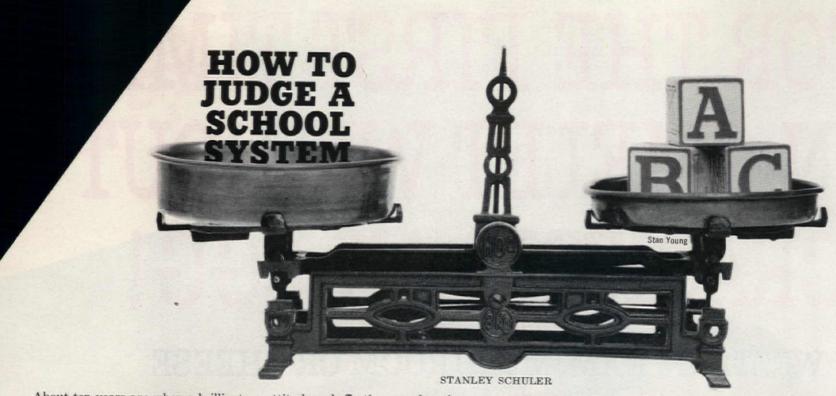


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Today, as education becomes more important to all Americans, an increasing number of families that are in a position to choose where they will live, are picking communities on the same basis: "We think this is the best school system for our children."

Unfortunately, only a few can be sure they are right.

Assessing the quality of a school system is, in the words of the men responsible for New York State's searching six-year-old (School) Quality Measurement Project, an "extremely complex problem." No one—and this includes the experts—knows how to solve it completely.

One difficulty is that any school system's success in achieving its goals (whatever these may be) depends not only on the system itself, but also on the characteristics of the community served and the abilities and backgrounds of the children attending the schools. This makes it hard to tell whether a school system is good or bad, because it really is good or bad or because it is made to look that way by the people it serves.

Another difficulty is that everyone judges a school system from his own standpoint. This means that a system which delights me may appall you. It also means that if you are not sure what you want in a school system, you might settle in a community with a system that turns out to be quite unacceptable to you.

The final difficulty is that there is no known way of measuring the attitude and effectiveness of teachers; yet few things so inspire a child to learn as a wonderful Mr. Chips.

Despite these problems, more and more people are asking, "How good are this town's schools?"

The answer is not to be had by looking at school buildings, counting merit scholarships, and the number of students going on to college, assuming that the excellence of a famous high school automatically rubs off on the surrounding elementary schools, or talking to real estate brokers who have educational objectives different from your own.

On the contrary, the best way to assess the quality of a school system is to go directly to the school authorities. Ask the following test questions and measure the answers you get against standards set by outstanding American school systems and leading educators who have long been interested in what makes quality education.

In applying the test, however, remember three things:

- 1. The questions should be used only to judge school systems which aim at developing well-rounded boys and girls who can go on to college. In other words, the questions should not be applied to a system which is concerned primarily with turning out youngsters who are technically trained for a trade.
- 2. No values are assigned to the questions. This is because the educational world cannot say for sure to what extent various factors affect school quality.
- 3. Because of the problems previously mentioned, the questions will not yield a crystal-clear picture of school system quality. But they will come close.

What is the school system's educational program?

In elementary school, says the National Education Association's Educational Policies Commission, "the program should emphasize reading, writing, arithmetic, speaking, and listening. It should help pupils acquire ideas, information, under-

standing, and skills in social studies, science, music, and art. It should promote understanding of the importance of learning and of intellectual values. It should teach pupils that people live, think, and speak in various ways.

"The superior elementary school program seeks to develop initiative and to promote concern for accuracy, reasoning, progress, and beauty. It teaches the basics of safety and personal health and promotes physical coordination and skill. It helps the child learn to care for resources, both human and natural, to use simple tools, and to look after his possessions. By carefully organizing experiences in which children work together in groups, (it) fosters their ability to get along with others and thus helps lay the base for social responsibility."

"In high school," James Bryant Conant says in his trend-setting book The American High School Today, "the requirements for graduation for all students should be four years of English, three or four years of social studies-including two years of history (one of which should be American history), and a senior course in American problems or American government-one year of mathematics in the ninth grade (algebra or general mathematics), and at least one year of science in the ninth or tenth grade, which might well be biology or general physical science. . . . The other requirement for graduation should be successful completion of at least seven more courses, not including physical education."

How much does the school system spend per pupil?

Last year according to the magazine School Management, which makes an annual study of school costs, the average school district in the country spent \$351.70 per pupil. But the average expenditure by the top 10 per cent of school districts was \$508. (These figures represent the schools' net current expenditures, and do not include the cost of transportation and debt service or the financial out-

lay for new schools and equipment.)

The difference is important: All evidence points to the fact that the more a school system spends for current operation, the better job it does in educating children.

What is the ratio of professional staff to the student body?

One old but still popular rule of thumb holds that no schoolteacher should have more than 25 pupils. To-day, because of many changes in the educational process, this rule has been supplanted by a new one: There should be a minimum of 50 professionals (teachers, supervisors, librarians, consultants, guidance counselors etc.) for every 1000 pupils.

In the country's leading school systems, the ratio ranges up to 70 per 1000 students.

What proportion of the teachers have master's degrees or better?

The Quality Measurement Project has found that "there is a positive relationship between the per cent of staff with five or more years of training and the likelihood that a system will exceed, achieve, or fail to achieve the level of pupil outcomes to be expected of the system. Community and pupil factors being equal, pupils in school systems with more highly trained teachers achieve better."

Other educators confirm this. Sam M. Lambert, research director of the National Education Association, says: "My daughter had a fourth-grade teacher in Washington who had an M.A. She had 35 children in her class, yet she was able to move them two grades in one year.

"Even if she's a married woman, a teacher with an M.A. is likely to put much greater emphasis on her teaching than people with B.A.'s."

Unfortunately, however, the number of teachers with master's and doctor's degrees is small—only 23.5 per cent of the United States total. But in some school systems the figure is much higher. For instance: Pittsburgh—about 40 per cent; Worcester, Massachusetts—51 per cent; San Jose, California—64 per cent. (continued)



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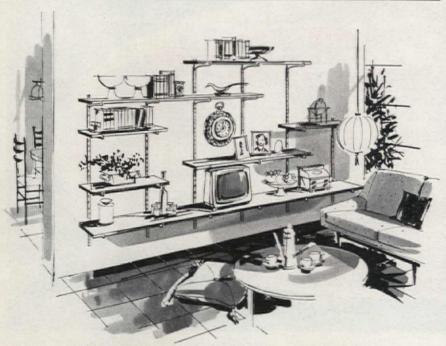
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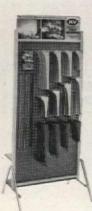
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What is the rate of teacher turnover?

A study of 121 large school systems made two years ago by the National Education Association disclosed that classroom teacher turnover ranged from a high of 27.1 per cent of the teaching staff in one school system to a low of 4.3 per cent in another. The median rate was 12.5 per cent.

Something is obviously wrong with a school system that loses too many teachers. As Richard I. Miller, associate director of NEA's Project on Instruction, points out, it means either that salaries are too low or that the conditions under which the teachers must work are not good. Sometimes it means both things. In any case, the students suffer.

Does the school system have a remedial reading program starting at the first grade and continuing through high school?

The need of a program to improve the reading ability of poor high-school readers has been generally accepted for some time. But the equally great need of a similar program in elementary school is not so widely recognized (except in the best school systems). It is pointed up, however, by a recent study that was made by Charles M. Armstrong of New York State's education department.

Comparing the achievement-test scores made by 1000 high-school students with their reading levels when they were in fifth grade, Armstrong found that the better a child learns to read in elementary school, the better are his chances of doing well in high school.

The study showed that only 16 per cent of fifth graders who read at fifth-grade level did good work in high school. But 38 per cent of fifth graders who read at sixth-grade level did well in high school; 61 per cent of those who read at seventh-grade level did well in high school; and 80 per cent of those who read at ninth-grade level did well in high school.

The results, Armstrong says, "raise a question as to the adequacy of grade norms. Some schools and some teachers seem to feel that if they can get a pupil to work at grade level, they have done a satisfactory job. Actually, if we want all pupils to finish high school, we should strive to get all pupils above grade level in reading in elementary school."

Do the schools have a guidance counseling system?

In this increasingly complex world, boys and girls need expert advice about the courses they should take in school, whether to aim for college, and which ones, etc., and vocational guidance on planning for a career. This is the job of the guidance counselor.

In The American High School Today
Conant recommends: "Counseling
should start in the elementary school.
There should be one full-time counselor for every 250 to 300 pupils in
the high school. The counselors should
have had experience as teachers but
should be devoting virtually full time
to the counseling work."

Is the school system studying and experimenting with new ideas for instruction, curriculum, etc.?

If not, watch out. No one, including schools, makes progress by standing still. To do an ever-better job of educating children, a school system must spend some money (the NEA Project on Instruction recommends one per cent of the annual operating budget) and time for research, experimentation, and innovation.

What is the state of the school libraries?

Every school in a system should have a library, and every library should meet the following standards set by the American Library Association: Ten books per student. An annual expenditure for new books of \$4 to \$6 per student. One trained librarian for each 300 students.

What percentage of students in the high school graduating class achieve above-average grades on college entrance exams?

Secondary schoolmen maintain that college entrance examination scores do not accurately reflect the quality of a school. But college admissions officers who keep records of the relationship between high school grades, college entrance examination scores, and college freshman grades made by all their students are not in full agreement.

"A median College Board score of over 500 for all its college preparatory students is a significant indication of a high school's capacity to produce strong college prospects," says Arthur Howe, Jr., dean of Admissions at Yale.

America's "great" high schools have little trouble performing up to this standard. Consider the record of New Trier Township High School Winnetka, Illinois. In 1963, 92 per cent of New Trier's 995 graduates went to college. Of approximately 850 who took the College Board's Scholastic Aptitude Test, 60 per cent scored 500 or above, and 74 per cent of the 400 taking the Achievement Tests scored above 500.

(Just as college entrance examination scores reflect high-school quality, so standard achievement test scores reflect the quality of elementary schools. All school heads should be able to tell you how the achievement test scores of their pupils compare with the national average.)

How large is the high school?

If a high school is too small, Conant says, it is "not in a position to provide a satisfactory education for any group of students." The curriculum is not thorough; the faculty is underused.

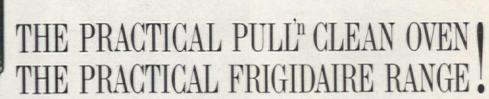
Minimum size of a four-year high school should be 500 pupils; of a three-year high school, 350.

Does the high school provide Advanced Placement courses (or the equivalent) for gifted pupils?

The fact that your children may not be eligible for such courses should not affect your attitude toward this requirement. Barnaby C. Keeney, president of Brown University, has called Advanced Placement—a program under (continued on page 107)







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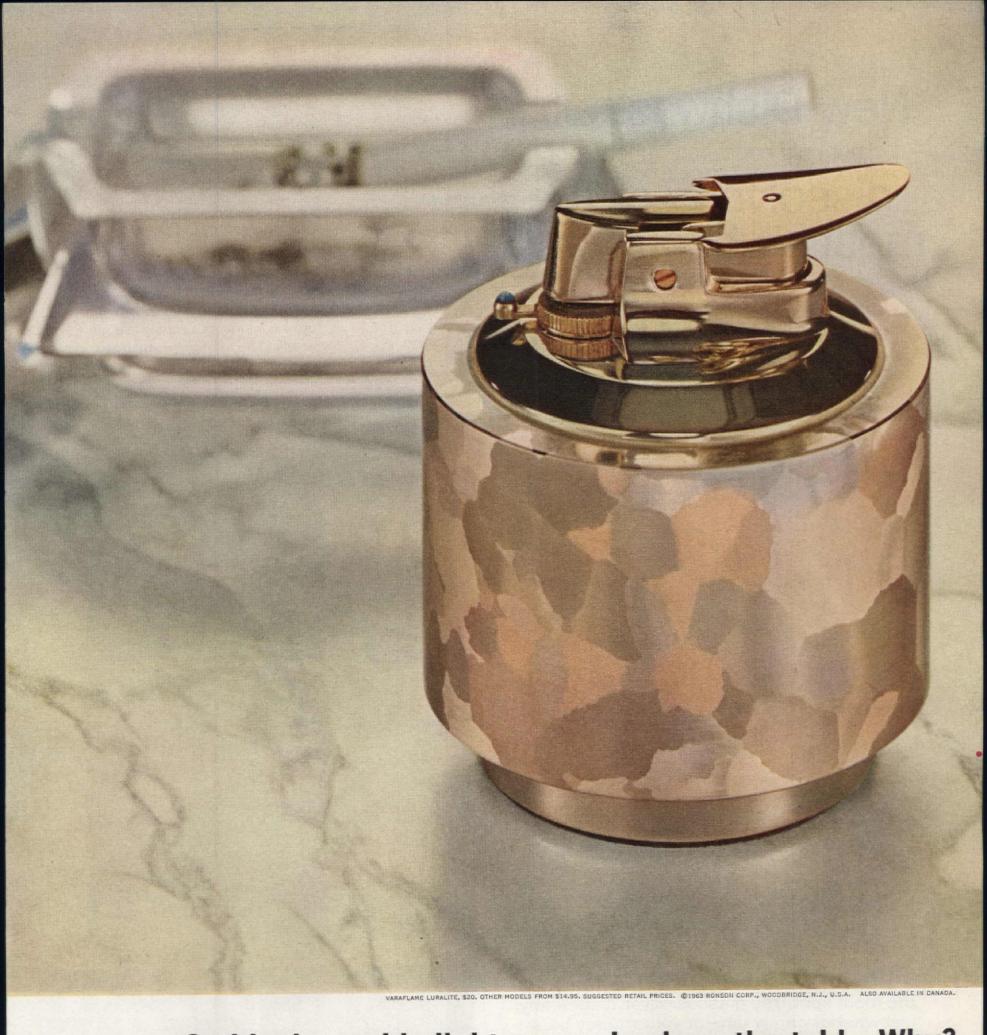
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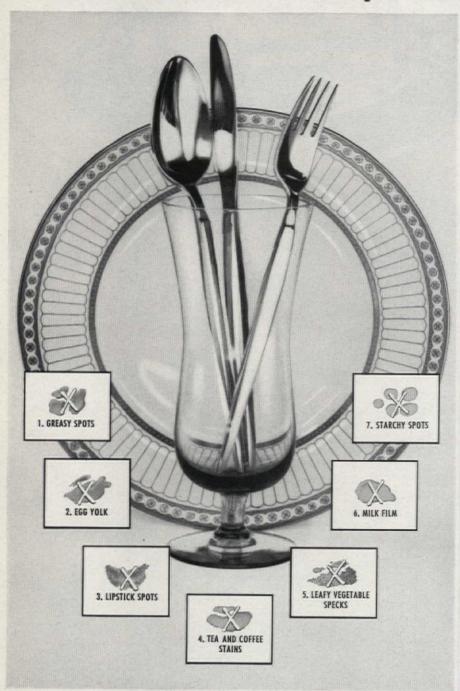
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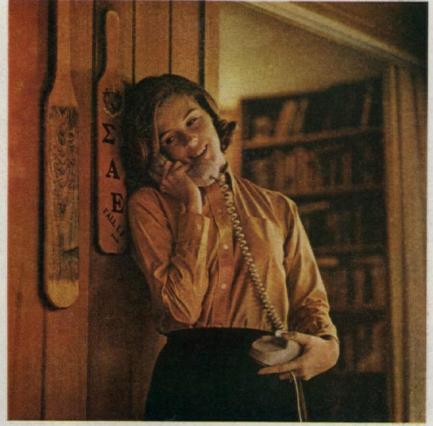
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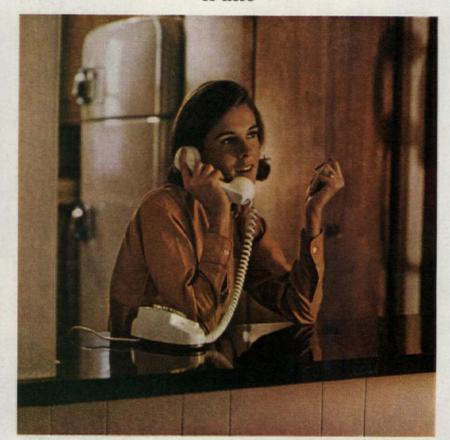
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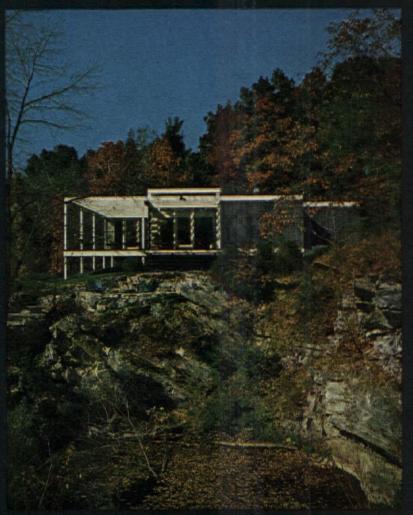


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SOPHISTICATED SIMPLICITY ON A HILLTOP

Commanding attention with the assurance of a wellsituated castle staunchly holding its place above the world, this house in West Redding, Connecticut, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Otnes, achieves perhaps the ultimate of indoor-outdoor living. Nothing interferes with the view of the countryside beyond. From the outside, the windows on one side frame portions of the view that can be seen from windows on the other side. Glass walls provide a front-row seat for Nature's exhibit of days and seasons. Several large wooden decks make the outdoors easily accessible. Several steps below, the flagstone sun terrace is built into a natural formation of rock on the edge of a quarry which the owners hope soon to make into a swimming pool. The splendor of the setting on a hillside allows the building to be plain without seeming austere. The house, a post and beam structure, is anchored to the hill by pins driven into the rock beneath each post. The flat roof has a raised section over the living room to accommodate shallow clerestory windows for light from all directions. The airy decks are roofed with slats that keep the summer heat and sun out but let in the winter sun to help warm the house. Heating for house is provided by floor ducts beneath each window. For continuity, the deck is stained the same weathered gray as the floor, siding, and interior wood walls. Limited to such a few colors and textures, the house is not bland but a strong statement in contrasting dark and light woods. Its classic simplicity and restrained elegance are excellent foils for the color and roughness of the foliage and rock that surround the house.

A WALKING TOUR around the Otnes house begins with the unexpectedly flat approach (below) to the entry deck. A surprise is in store for those who don't notice the view through the living room to the gorge on the other side. Twin chimneys pierce the roof just outside the clerestory windows. TRIM CONTOUR of deck structure and the whitepainted beams (upper right) is profiled above the rugged terrain and sun terrace. WRAP-AROUND DECK and glass walls (on plan) are a major factor in full appreciation of landscape and scenery. A small basement housed under the living room contains utilities and storage. SHALLOW STEPS TO ENTRY deck and hall (middle right) invite guests to enter the spacious living room beyond the dining room. LIVING ROOM (lower right) is a pleasant stop before continuing along deck and down to the sun terrace. Wilderness landscape permeates the glass-walled room. In return, the deck receives benefits of the civilized indoors. It's protected from a northwest wind by the house itself and from heat and sun by overhead slats that shade the house too.











THE INTERIOR is furnished tastefully with nothing distracting from the view. The simplicity of the architecture matches the handsome sparseness of the décor. Elements are simple: a few pieces of furniture, one or two bright colors, and the outdoors. SILHOUETTED in the airy light of the windows overlooking the valley (top) is an arrangement of favorite art pieces. FIREPLACE (middle) dominates this wall in the living room but the view is not shut out. Tops of trees and, in winter, falling snow are visible through the high windows to counterpoint the blaze. SHELTERED CORNER of living room (above) is a quiet place to watch fire and scene outside. Light from south emphasizes contrast of wood and plaster.









BEAUTIFUL WAYS

TO EXTEND YOUR LIVING SPACE

Small houses grow to expansive proportions through the wise use of the space that is immediately adjacent to the house. Physical walls need not fence in the enjoyment of a house with all the possibilities for expansion into patios, terraces, decks, and even additional rooms that blend with the outdoors. Look at these examples of houses which have gone beyond their interior limits to add space and bonus areas. Look at your own house with an eye toward adding to the original plan and increasing your own pleasure in attractive outdoor living areas.

Lanai in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Davies of Novato, California, opens out to a terrace and a beautiful view of the rugged ranch country. The lanai is a multi-purpose room used as workroom, informal dining, and extra bedroom. large poppy design on quilted white chintz chair pads dramatizes neutral color tones of walls and furnishings.

All-glass dining room opens off paneled living room in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Avery Cotton, Decatur, Georgia. Sliding glass doors are backed with sliding screens. Solar heat and heated flagstone floor keep the room warm and cozy in winter. Sheltering trees make the room a beautiful indoor garden.

Garden patio in home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Conze, Palos Verdes, California, has lattices, fence, and slat benches stained a soft driftwood. Brick flooring is a continuation from the living room.





A back wall at the property line sets the boundary to this patio with its luxurious foliage. The patio of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Patton in South Miami, Florida, is the favorite entertaining spot for the Pattons and their two teen-age daughters. Lights strung in the satinwood tree and palms give a festive air at night.

When owner-designer Steve Steffen, A.I.D., of South Miami, Florida, wanted a second, larger patio (photographs below), he decided to break through the wall of the living room. With three large windows in the living room, it was decided to make the middle one the door to the patio. Measuring 27x44', the patio extends the full length of the house, gives privacy and much needed living space to an otherwise small ranch-style house. The wooden wall is stained a mushroom color. The gravel, stepping stones, and planking surface are quite easy to maintain.







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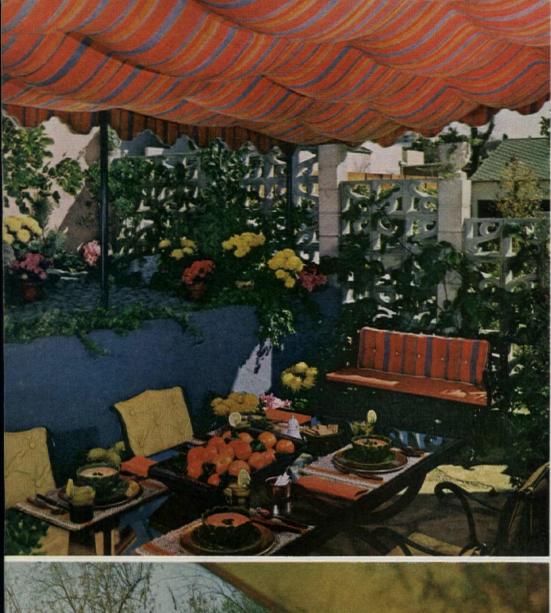
Garden patio is partially protected by a terra-cotta awning in the home of designer Jack Cameron, A.I.D., of Coral Gables, Florida. Flooring under the awning is concrete, painted and scored to look like old tile. In the foreground, it's cement block. The lovely garden is Mr. Cameron's handiwork, and one of his favorite hobbies.

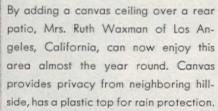
The home of architect-designer Kenneth Treister, A.I.A., Cocoanut Grove, Florida, has several patios. This one is a court-garden with a swimming pool at the open end. It is visible below from the outdoor dining area, which is covered with roofing and corrugated glass panels. The more open part of the court is enclosed with 12' high fiber-glass screening to make it usable all year round.

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Cool pavilion below has pebbled walk with redwood platforms on different levels. Post and beam structural members support royal blue frame for canvas that's designed to control light. Unpainted redwood is treated with copper sulphate to turn it to a gray color.



Decorative lattice square (left) provides welcome shade for this family room patio. Surrounded by fully grown trees, there is no need for fencing. Groups of potted plants are rotated according to season. Concrete paving, level with interior floors, eases outdoor serving. Landscape: Sid Galper for Harlan Lee's Los Feliz Estates Information: Barbara Lenox Photographer: George de Gennaro

Deck on opposite page in the home of Dr. Richard Koons, Laguna Beach, California, takes full advantage of the hillside view. Predominantly of redwood, deck has built-in benches and slat table. A potting garden is on the lower level.







HOW TO GET "CARRIED



If you have the urge to express yourself, to give vent to all the hidden talents inside you, we suggest you trim a tray. It's one of the most entertaining, creative outlets we know and one of the most inexpensive. The trays themselves come from the dime store. While you're out, pick up the necessary glue, varnish, spray, and fabric adhesive, and then let your imagination take over. We show you here some thought-starters to get

you going. Starting at the top, left to right: "Down to the Sea" is made from a section of a ship blueprint, available in marine supply stores, and narrow white rope. "Spring Beauties" is a bold fabric pattern applied to the tray with fabric adhesive. "Newshound" has strips of newspaper headlines and logos you can cut from foreign newspapers. "Spring Bouquet" is an arrangement of simple flowers cut from bright tissue paper.

AWAY"IN GREAT STYLE



"Cardsharp" is a brightly painted tray mounted with decorative Spanish playing cards. "Budding Artist" is probably the nicest one of all—a small child's drawing in colored chalk. Keep your child going and you could have a small art gallery!

Beginning to get the idea? Here are some more suggestions from the top of our head: cut up the blueprints of your new home in sections for

a series of trays. Retrace your family's vacation by cutting up a road map and marking the route with a red marker. Cover a tray with a handsome wood-grain gift wrap or use easy to apply adhesive-backed paper. Save vintage bottle labels and overlap them in a crazy-quilt pattern. Cut out flowers from magazines and make a decoupage. Mount a coin collection on a black lacquer base. Ad infinitum! How-to's for trays shown, page 81.



These smartly tailored, snug-fitting slip covers are the best reason we know to hurl yourself into a fervor of springtime decorating. A far cry from the loose, ill-fitting dust throws of yesteryear, these were designed by a professional decorating team at Lord & Taylor, New York. The beautiful, easy-care fabrics are by Everfast. They're inexpensive, wear

like iron, wash beautifully, and have a marvelous crease-resistant Everglaze finish. So start casting an eye at your own drab furniture. Visualize the freshness and style these sprightly patterns and colors will bring to any room in your home. Beg, borrow, or steal any of the ideas you see here with our compliments. In this case, it's legitimate larceny!

SPRUCE UP WITH SLIP COVERS



Shown opposite and above is one room with two sets of slip covers. Striped cotton satin at left is mitered. Pastoral toile above is used for sofa and draperies. Slip-cover transformation in each setting is completed with coordinated colors used for other chairs and accents.



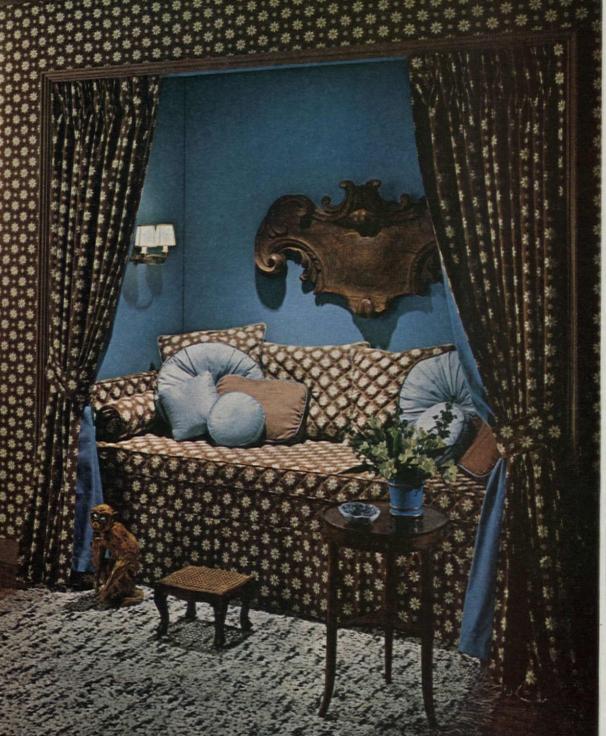
This bridge table and chairs are polka-dot happy with scalloped satiny-looking slip covers. Hidden snaps hold the chair-back covers in place. Table and seat covers have a lining of buckram to keep them stiff. All are washable and guaranteed colorfast of course.

Ladylike setting below is dressed in pale green spun rayon crepe that has been quilted for chaise slip cover and drapery trim. Quilting adds richness to a room, seems to enlarge a small piece of furniture. Day bed in the romantic niche below is slip covered in a snowflake pattern to match the draperies and walls of the room. Note that the mattress has a quilted "cap" cover which can be easily removed for sleeping.









Photographed at Lord & Taylor by Ernest Silva

Slip covers for a simple table and ordinary high-back chairs (opposite page) give this room a dramatic, Vermeer-like atmosphere. The tablecloth has sharply creased inverted corner pleats and the chair covers have handsome button backs.





We're all for shattering a myth-the myth that to grow orchids you have to seal them under glass like the Hope diamond as well as hire an old-world gardener to cater to their whims. In truth, beautiful, heavenly scented orchids are far from fragile. They're actually quite hardy and will thrive on the terrace in spring and summer and at your windows during cold weather. These are known as the botanical, or species gems. And what an infinite variety of shapes. forms, and colors they offer to the home gardener! Some have mammoth blooms while others have minute flowers visible only through a magnifying glass. Colors run the gamut from white, pink, lavender, purple. red, orange, yellow, green, brown, and blue, through almost all the shades in between. Flower shapes are frilly or simple, lacy or scalloped. Most botanical orchids are delightfully scented, and one plant will often perfume an entire area!

We picture just a few of the different types of botanical orchids. You can choose from: calanthes, cattleyas, coelogynes, dendrobiums, laelias, lycastes, oncidiums, phaius, and vandas.

Don't let the names throw you—once they're yours you can call them anything you like. Plants and materials are available from nurseries all over the country.

Orchids will generally come to you potted in regular slotted clay containers, in osmunda or fir bark, and will not need repotting for two years. Whether you grow them indoors or on the patio, never set orchid plants directly on the floor or ground. They need bottom as well as top air circulation so set the pots on house bricks or on half-inch redwood slats.

The cattleya species, such as Cattleya aurantiaca (1), C. bowringiana, C. forbesi, and C. skinneri, are medium-size plants about 24 to 36 inches tall, with lavender, orange, or pink flowers. Indoors they require from three to four hours of sunshine at a south or east window. Water heavily and allow them to dry out before watering again. Outdoors, give them filtered sunlight—avoid direct sun—and a minimum night temperature of 56°. Flowers will appear during the spring and summer.

Most of the calanthe orchids available are varieties of Calanthe vestita (6), or C. rosea, with flowers (continued on page 96)

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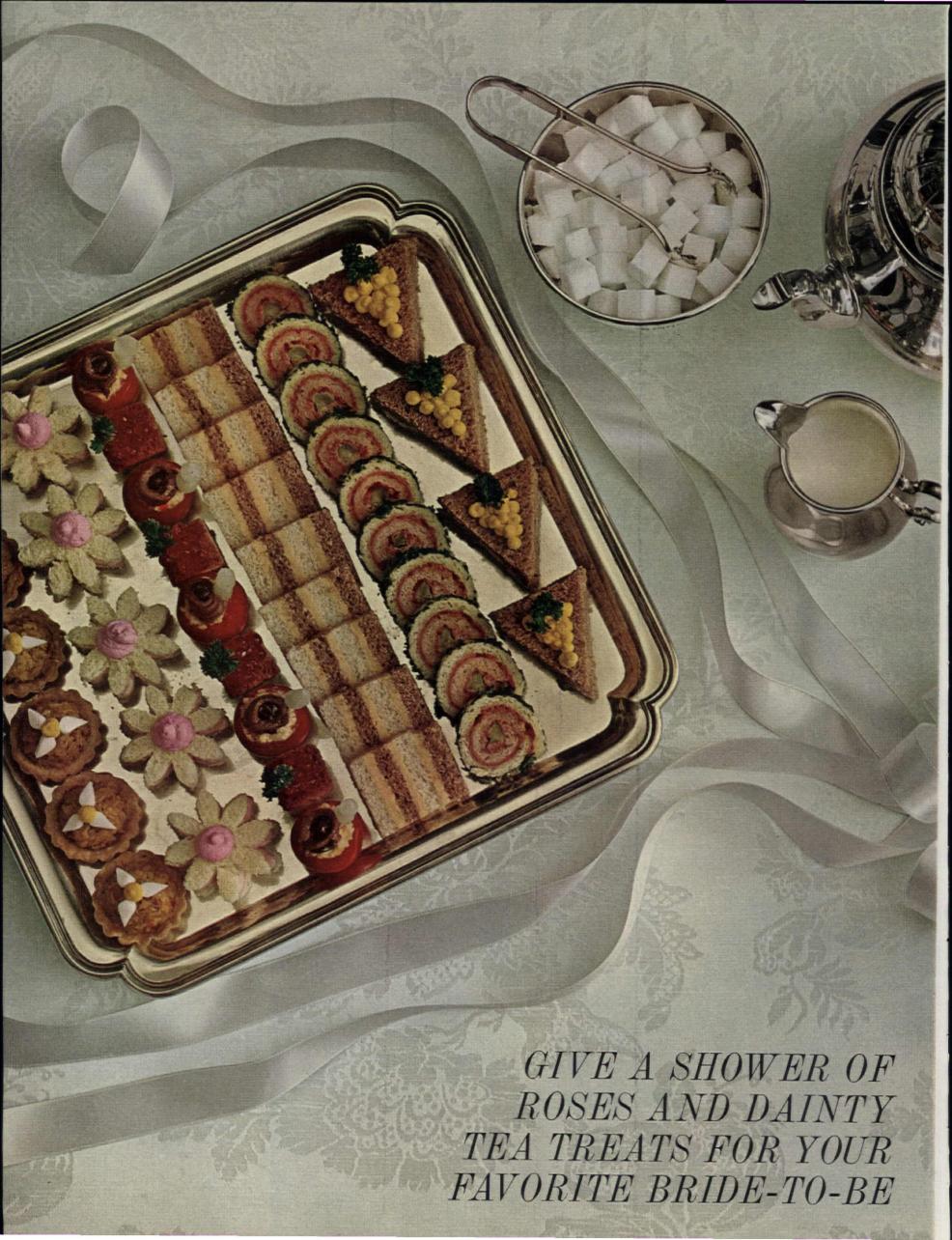


Entertaining should be as much fun for you as it is for your guests. But how can you enjoy it yourself if it becomes a laborious, time-consuming venture? How can you scintillate if you're the unpaid slave in the kitchen with no more time with your guests than a quick hello and a tired good-by? The secret is in a bit of preplanning not only in the kitchen but in the spot where you choose to entertain. Here we flash some sparkling plan-ahead ideas that make full use of your lovely crystal. They're pretty to look at and easy to do!

- 1. Nothing's easier than letting guests help themselves. Here a tasty Fondue Bourguignonne is served with a circle of goblets to hold the tempting sauces.
- 2. A center of attraction at a children's party not only confines activity to a limited area, but makes preparation and cleanup easy. The punch bowl, cookies, et al. can be wheeled anywhere for self-service.
- 3. Some guests like to get up early but can't wake up without juice or coffee. Until you rescue them with a full-fledged breakfast, put out thermoses of their favorite eye-openers.
- 4. A casual sit-down luncheon or supper becomes gay and festive when bright ribbons are tied lattice fashion to underside of a glass-topped table.
 5. How romantic is the light of a kerosene lamp for patio dining. The pink color scheme is keyed to the graceful, tinted goblets.
 6. Stacked trays in their own small cupboard is an idea we brazenly stole from the airlines. Let your husband make one of these from a wooden box, and then finish it off with
- 7. Crystal stemware can play a leading part in serving hors d'oeuvres. Think of all the ways to use your pretty goblets. Everyone will say, "What a marvelous idea!"

bright, bright paint.

ENTERTAINING
CALLS
FOR
SOME
CRYSTAL-CLEAR
THINKING





Be original, creative! See how the tasty "go withs" you prepare in your kitchen help transform the highly seasoned barbecues you usually cook outside into a gourmet banquet. Along with your favorite grilled foods, serve delicately seasoned salads, vegetables, and breads. The beauty of it all is so many of these delectable dishes can be prepared ahead of time! The crispy cold creations can be kept

in the refrigerator until serving time. The hot dishes you whisk to patio, terrace, or porch piping hot from the oven.

Next time you entertain, there's no need to repeat that old stand-by, the tossed green salad. For example, whip up exciting Tomato-Avocado Mousse. Subtle in flavor, but oh, so dramatic as you bring out a handsome trayful!

You can add a tasty continental touch with a baked



Zucchini Skillet Casserole. This fine Italian dish is seasoned with onion, green pepper, basil, and Parmesan. If you like applause (and who doesn't), show your finesse with an airy, fluffy, golden-crusted Corn Soufflé. Takes only 15 minutes to prepare, less than an hour to bake, and is guaranteed to make you look like a culinary genius.

For a festive bread, nothing but our Fiesta Bread will

do. A French loaf is split lengthwise and spread with a tempting mixture of grated Cheddar, catsup, chopped olives, and onion. Wrap in foil and serve piping hot!

You'll find these and many more dishes on our recipe pages, including cool Jellied Vegetable Medley, a new version of Macaroni Salad, chilled Eggplant Sicilian, and a host of quickie breads. The recipes begin on page 66.

WHEN IT COMES TO
DELECTABLE ACCOMPANIMENTS
FOR BARBECUE DINING

THINK BIG!





Magnificent touches to create new tastes and add more flavor to your next indoor-outdoor barbecue

Gone are the days when steaks, chickens, hamburgers, and frankfurters were tossed onto the grill in slapdash he-man fashion. Whether they cook inside or out, people are discovering exciting, new, exotic tastes in marinades and bastes.

Just what is a marinade or a baste? Actually, a marinade is a thin sauce, usually with a wine, vinegar, or lemon-juice base, seasoned with condiments and herbs, in which food is soaked before it's cooked. It penetrates the food to flavor and tenderize it. A baste is a sauce, sometimes thin, sometimes thick, brushed on the food to give it a special flavor on the outside and at the same time keep it moist. Both may be served as a sauce with the cooked foods.

Here and on our recipe pages we bring you some special treats using marinades or bastes in the cooking, plus some very special recipes for bastes and marinades alone. Try them all now that the charcoal grill is in full season.

SPICY CHICKEN BARBECUE

Preparation time: 20 min. / Marinating time: 2 hrs. ½ c. butter or margarine; 1 c. chicken broth; 2 tbs. lemon juice; ½ tsp. dry mustard; 1½ tsp. sugar; 1 tsp. salt; 1 tsp. chili powder; 1 tsp. paprika; dash of cayenne; 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce; ½ tsp. liquid hot-pepper sauce; ¼ tsp. black pepper; ¼ c. minced onion; 2 cloves of garlic, minced; 2 broiler-fryers, quartered.

Combine all ingredients except chicken in saucepan; simmer 30 minutes. Pour over chicken in shallow dish. Marinate 2 hours, turning occasionally. Broil chicken about 45 minutes, or until tender, turning halfway in cooking time. Baste with marinade as chicken cooks. Heat and serve remaining marinade with chicken. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

MEAT BALL SHISH KEBOBS

Preparation time: 20 min. / Cooking time: 25 min.

% c. finely chopped onion; ¼ c. pure vegetable oil; ¾ c. catsup; ¼ c. cider vinegar; ¾ c. water; 3 tbs. sugar; 2 tbs. Worcestershire sauce; 1 tbs. prepared mustard; 2 tsp. salt; ¼ tsp. pepper; 1½ lbs. ground beef; ½ tsp. salt; dash of pepper; 2 tomatoes, cut in wedges or 12 cherry tomatoes; 1 large green pepper, cut in large squares; 12 small onions, parboiled; oil.

Sauté onion in oil until tender; stir in catsup, vinegar, water, sugar, Worcestershire, mustard, 2 teaspoons salt, and ½ teaspoon pepper. Simmer 15 minutes. Combine beef, ½ teaspoon salt, and pepper. Shape into 12 meat balls.

Arrange alternately on skewers 2 meat balls, 2 tomato wedges or 2 cherry tomatoes, 2 pieces green pepper, and 2 onions. Brush meat balls with sauce; brush vegetables with oil. Broil 10 minutes; baste with sauce as they cook; turn kebobs several times so they cook evenly. Makes 6 servings. (continued on page 64)



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Marinades & Bastes (pictured in color on page 62)

GLAZED HAM ON THE SPIT (SWEET AND TANGY BASTE)
Preparation time: 15 min. / Cooking time: 1½ hrs.

1 c. apricot jam; $\frac{1}{2}$ c. orange or pineapple juice; $\frac{1}{2}$ tbs. prepared mustard; $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. ground cloves; $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. ground ginger; 6–8 lbs. boned and rolled ready-to-eat ham.

Combine apricot jam, fruit juice, mustard, cloves, and ginger in small saucepan; simmer 5 minutes. Place ham on spit; lock in place with locking tines; place in position on rotisserie over coals. Cook 1 hour; brush with jam mixture. Continue cooking 30 minutes longer, brushing with glaze several times. Thin remaining glaze with additional fruit juice and serve as a sauce with ham. Makes 12–16 servings.

BARBECUED STEAK (ZESTY BEEF MARINADE)

Preparation time: 10 min. / Marinating time: overnight.

34 c. Burgundy or Bordeaux wine or 1/3 c. red wine vinegar; 3/4 c. olive or pure vegetable oil; 1 clove of garlic, mashed; 1 tbs. grated onion; 1 tsp. salt; 1/4 tsp. black pepper; 1/2 tsp. oregano; 1/2 tsp. basil; top round of beef 3 inches thick (approx. 7 lbs.). Combine all ingredients except beef in flat glass or enamel pan; mix well. Add beef; cover; refrigerate overnight. When ready to cook, place beef on greased grill rack; baste with marinade. Grill 40 to 50 minutes for rare, longer for medium, turning meat often and basting frequently with marinade. Heat any remaining

WESTERN MARINADE

Preparation time: 10 min. / Marinating time: 2 hrs.

marinade and serve with beef. Makes 6-8 servings.

 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. catsup; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. soy sauce; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. honey; 1 c. chicken broth; 2 cloves of garlic, crushed; 1 tsp. salt.

Combine all ingredients and pour over meat. Marinate at least 2 hours. This marinade is excellent with lamb and pork, particularly with spareribs. (When planning to use it with spareribs, roast the spareribs in a shallow pan in a very hot oven [450° F.] 30 minutes. Pour off the fat from the pan and pour in the marinade.) Grill meat on slow fire, basting occasionally with marinade. Serve any that remains as a sauce with the meat. Enough for 4–5 lbs. of meat.

TERIYAKI MARINADE.

Preparation time: 10 min. / Marinating time: 1-3 hrs.

1 large clove of garlic, crushed; 2 tsp. ground ginger; 1 tbs. sugar; 1 tbs. vinegar; ½ c. soy sauce; ¼ c. dry white wine.

Combine all ingredients; mix well. Use to marinate 2 pounds of cubed beef, pork, or fish. Beef and pork should marinate 3 hours, fish 1 hour. Thread cubes on skewers and broil, turning to cook all sides. Makes 6 servings.

ZIPPY BEEF BASTING SAUCE

Preparation time: 10 min. / Cooking time: 15 min.

1/4 lb. (1 stick) butter or margarine; 3/4 c. vinegar; 1 tbs. prepared mustard; 2 tbs. Worcestershire sauce; 1/4 c. chili sauce; 1 tbs. brown sugar; 1/2 tsp. crushed dried red peppers; 2 tbs. grated onion.

Combine all ingredients in saucepan; simmer 15 minutes. Brush frequently on meat as it cooks on grill. Enough for 5-lb. roast or steak.

QUICK-AND-EASY MARINADE

Marinate chicken, flank steak, beef or lamb cubes for shish kebobs in homemade or bottled French dressing or in bottled Italian-style dressing for at least 2 hours. Grill, brushing meat with marinade as it cooks.

LAMB BASTE

Preparation time: 10 min. / Standing time: several hrs.

³/₄ c. dry sherry. 1 tbs. chopped parsley; 2 tbs. lemon juice; 1 tbs. pure vegetable oil; 1 tsp. grated onion; 1 tsp. salt; ¹/₄ tsp. pepper; ¹/₂ tsp. rosemary, crumbled; ¹/₂ tsp. oregano.

Combine all ingredients in bowl; let stand several hours to blend flavors. Brush frequently over meat as it grills. Enough for 5 lbs. of meat.

MARINADE FOR BEEF, LAMB, OR CHICKEN

Preparation time: 5 min. / Marinating time: 1-2 hrs.

1 tbs. salt; $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp. cinnamon; 2 tbs. sugar; 2 tbs. soy sauce; 2 tbs. dry sherry.

Combine all ingredients; mix well. Spread mixture on both sides of meat. Marinate 1 to 2 hours. Grill over coals until tender. This marinade is particularly good with flank steak. Enough for 2–3 lbs. of meat.

BARBECUE MARINADE FOR LAMB OR PORK

Preparation time: 15 min. / Marinating time: 2 hrs.

1 c. bouillon or 1 beef-bouillon cube dissolved in 1 c. water; 2 c. cider vinegar; 2 tbs. Worcestershire sauce; 1 tbs. bottled meat sauce; 1 tsp. salt; 1 tbs. sugar; 3 mint leaves, crushed, or ½ tsp. dried mint leaves; dash of liquid red-pepper seasoning; ¼ tsp. black pepper; 1 tbs. mixed whole pickling spices; 3 slices orange; 2 slices lemon; 1 tbs. catsup; ½ tsp. basil;½ tsp. oregano. Combine all ingredients; simmer 30 minutes; strain. Pour over meat in shallow glass or enamel pan. Marinate at least 2 hours, turning frequently. Baste meat often with marinade as it cooks. Sufficient for 5–7 lbs. of meat.

EXTRAS TO COOK ON THE GRILL

BAKED SLICED POTATOES: Pare and cut potatoes into thick slices (allow 1 potato per person). Put each potato on a large square of heavy foil. Add a tablespoon of butter or margarine to each and sprinkle with seasoned salt, pepper, and paprika. Bring edges of foil together; twist to close. Cook on grill 1 hour, or in hot oven (425° F.) 45 minutes.

GRILLED VEGETABLES: Marinate green pepper strips, whole mushrooms, and cherry tomatoes in bottled Italian-style dressing. Thread vegetables alternately on skewers. Broil until tender, brushing occasionally with dressing.

GLAZED CARROTS: Pare and parboil 24 tender, young carrots or drain 1 can (about 1 lb.) carrots. Place 4 carrots on each of 6 large squares heavy foil. Add 1 tablespoon butter or margarine and 1 tablespoon maple-blended syrup to each. Bring edges of foil together, twist to close tightly. Grill 15 to 20 minutes.

BAKED BANANAS: Peel bananas (allow 1 per person) and brush with butter or margarine. Spread with thin coating of orange marmalade and sprinkle with lemon juice. Wrap each in heavy foil. Cook on grill or in moderate oven (375° F.) 15 minutes.

SWEET, SWEET POTATOES: Drain 2 cans sweet potatoes and divide among 6 squares of heavy foil. Brush potatoes with apricot preserves or orange marmalade. Drain 1 can (13½ oz.) pineapple chunks; top potatoes with pineapple. Bring edges of foil together; twist to close. Cook on grill or in moderate oven (375° F.) 15 minutes.

CHEESE TOMATOES: Cut firm, ripe tomatoes in half. Season with salt and pepper. Mix chopped green pepper, grated Cheddar cheese, and minced onion. Sprinkle on one half of tomato; top with second half; wrap in foil. Cook on grill 15 to 20 minutes, turning once or twice as they cook.

QUICK GERMAN POTATO SALAD: Pare, dice, cook, and drain 2 pounds potatoes. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup onion-flavored salad-dressing mix and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced cooked bacon. Toss well. Wrap in foil. Heat on grill 20 minutes. Makes 6 servings.



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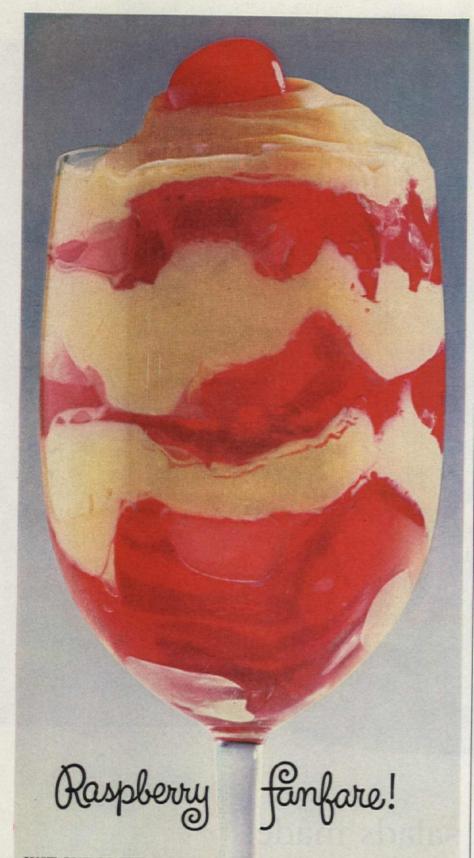
Florentine Salad

Combine 6 cups fresh spinach, torn into bite-size pieces, 2 medium tomatoes cut in wedges, 1 medium onion, sliced, separated into rings. Chill. Toss with ½ cup Roma Dressing (recipe below). Garnish with 3 hard-cooked eggs, halved. Makes 6 servings.

Roma Dressing: Combine ¼ cup Heinz Vinegar, ¾ cup oil, ¼ tsp. paprika, ½ tsp. salt, 1 tsp. sugar. Add 2 cloves garlic, split. Let stand overnight.



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*Any flavor of gelatin may be substituted



Barbecue Accompaniments (pictured in color on pages 60 and 61)

EGGPLANT SICILIAN

Preparation time: 20 min./Cooking time: 15 min.

2 medium eggplants, pared and cubed; 2/3 c. pure vegetable oil: 1 c. sliced onion; 1 clove of garlic, crushed; 3 medium firm, ripe tomatoes, peeled, seeded, and chopped; 4 tbs. wine vinegar; 1/4 c. chopped parsley; ½ tsp. oregano; 1 c. diced celery; 1 tsp. salt; 1/8 tsp. pepper; 1 tbs. sugar; 1/4 c. diced pimiento.

Sauté eggplant, a small amount at a time, in oil until lightly browned; remove from skillet; drain on paper towels. Sauté onion and garlic in remaining oil in skillet. Add tomatoes; simmer 2 to 3 minutes. Mix in eggplant, vinegar, parsley, oregano, celery, salt, pepper, and sugar. Simmer 15 minutes. Cool. Stir in pimiento. Chill several hours or overnight. Makes 51/2 cups.

ZUCCHINI SKILLET CASSEROLE

Preparation time: 25 min./Cooking time: 25 min.

1 c. green pepper strips; 1 c. sliced onion; 3 tbs. butter or margarine; 11/2 lbs. zucchini, sliced; 3 medium-sized firm, ripe tomatoes, peeled and chopped or 1 can (1 lb. 4 oz.) Italian plum tomatoes; 3/4 tsp. basil; 1 tsp. salt; dash of pepper; 1 tbs. cornstarch; 1 tbs. water; 1/4 c. grated Parmesan cheese.

Sauté green pepper and onion in butter or margarine until soft. Add zucchini, tomatoes, basil, salt, and pepper. Cover; simmer 15 minutes. Blend cornstarch and water to a smooth paste; stir into mixture in skillet. Cook until thickened. Sprinkle with cheese. Broil just until cheese melts. Makes 6 servings.

CORN SOUFFLÉ

Preparation time: 15 min./Baking time: 50-55 min.

2 tbs. butter or margarine; 3 tbs. flour; 1 c. milk; 11/2 tsp. onion juice; ½ tsp. dry mustard; dash of pepper; ½ c. shredded Cheddar cheese; 1 c. canned or cooked whole-kernel corn; 4 egg whites; 1/4 tsp. cream of tartar; 3/4 tsp. salt; 4 egg yolks, beaten.

Melt butter or margarine in saucepan; blend in flour; stir in milk. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture is very thick. Remove from heat. Add onion juice, mustard, pepper, and cheese; stir until cheese is melted. Stir in corn. Beat egg whites, cream of tartar, and salt until frothy; continue beating until stiff but not dry. Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon colored; fold into corn mixture. Fold in beaten egg whites. Turn into greased 2-quart casserole; set in pan of hot water. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 50 to 55 minutes or until soufflé is puffed and firm. Makes 6 servings.

CREOLE CASSEROLE

Preparation time: 20 min./Baking time: 20-30 min.

½ c. chopped green pepper; ½ c. chopped onion; 2 tbs. butter or margarine; 1 medium firm, ripe tomato, peeled and chopped or 1 can (10 oz.) tomatoes, drained; 3 tbs. chopped parsley; 1 bay leaf, crushed; 1 tsp. chili powder; $1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt; $\frac{1}{8}$ tsp. pepper; 5 c. cooked rice; 2 medium tomatoes, sliced; ½ c. grated Cheddar cheese.

Sauté green pepper and onion in butter or margarine just until soft. Add chopped tomato, parsley, bay leaf, chili powder, salt, and pepper. Simmer 3 minutes; add rice. Turn into greased 11/2quart casserole. Top with sliced tomatoes; sprinkle with cheese. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 20 to 30 minutes or until cheese melts and browns. Makes 6 servings.

Preparation time: 15 min./Cooking time: 10 min.

6 tbs. oil; 3 eggs, beaten; dash of salt; 1/2 c. chopped onion; 1 can (5 oz.) bamboo shoots, drained and slivered; 1/4 lb. mushrooms, sliced; 6 c. cold cooked rice; 1 tbs. soy sauce.

Heat 1 tablespoon oil in skillet. Add eggs and salt. Fry until eggs are firm; remove to plate; cut into strips and reserve. Heat remaining 5 tablespoons oil in skillet. Add onion, bamboo shoots, and mushrooms. Sauté just until tender and crisp. Add rice; cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until heated through. Stir in the soy sauce and eggs. Taste and add more soy sauce, if desired. Makes 6 servings. (continued)



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TOMATO-AVOCADO MOUSSE

Preparation time: 20 min./Chilling time: several hrs.

6 medium-sized firm, ripe tomatoes; salt; 1 envelope unflavored gelatin; 1/4 c. cold water; 3/4 c. hot water; 1/2 tsp. salt; dash of pepper; 2 tbs. lemon juice; 2 tsp. grated onion; 1 cup mashed avocado, (1 large); ½ c. dairy sour cream; ½ c. mayonnaise or salad dressing.

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Cut tops from stem ends of tomatoes; scoop out pulp and seeds (they can be used in other recipes). Salt insides of tomato shells: invert on paper towels. Soak gelatin in cold water; dissolve in hot water; add ½ teaspoon salt and pepper. Chill just until mixture begins to thicken. Combine lemon juice, onion, mashed avocado, sour cream, and mayonnaise or salad dressing. Fold into thickened gelatin. Spoon into tomato shells. (If you wish, you can omit tomatoes and mold salad in individual molds.) Chill until avocado mixture is firm. Makes 6 servings.

GOURMET BEANS

Preparation time: 15 min./Cooking time: 20 min.

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. fresh green beans, tipped and cut in pieces; 3 tbs. butter or margarine; 2 tbs. chopped chives; 1 c. dairy sour cream; 1 tsp.

Cook green beans in boiling, salted water until tender crisp; drain. Melt butter or margarine in small saucepan; stir in chives, sour cream, and dill weed. Pour over hot green beans. Makes 6

SAUERKRAUT SLAW

Preparation time: 10 min./Chilling time: 2 hrs.

3 c. fresh sauerkraut; 2 cloves of garlic, mashed; 1 c. dairy sour

Combine sauerkraut and garlic in large bowl. Chill at least 2 hours. Just before serving, stir in sour cream. For extra flavor, add 1 teaspoon caraway seeds if you wish. Makes 6 servings.

MOLDED PEPPER RELISH

Preparation time: 20 min./Chilling time: several hrs.

1 pkg. (3 oz.) lemon or lime flavored gelatin; 1 c. hot water; 1 c. minus 2 tbs. cold water; 2 tbs. vinegar; 3/4 tsp. salt; dash of pepper; 2 tsp. grated onion; 1/4 c. finely diced green pepper; 1 c. finely chopped cabbage; ½ c. diced celery; ¼ c. sliced radishes.

Dissolve gelatin in hot water; stir in cold water, vinegar, salt, and pepper. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in remaining ingredients. Turn into 4-cup mold. Chill several hours or until firm. Unmold. Makes 6 servings.

GOURMET SALAD

Preparation time: 15 min./Marinating time: overnight

2 pkgs. (9 oz. ea.) frozen artichoke hearts; 1/3 c. olive or pure vegetable oil; 3 tbs. lemon juice; ½ tsp. salt; dash of pepper; 1 clove of garlic, mashed; 1/2 tsp. oregano; 1 head romaine; 1 large French endive; 1 small head of cauliflower, cut into flowerets; 3 tomatoes, cut in wedges; pitted ripe olives.

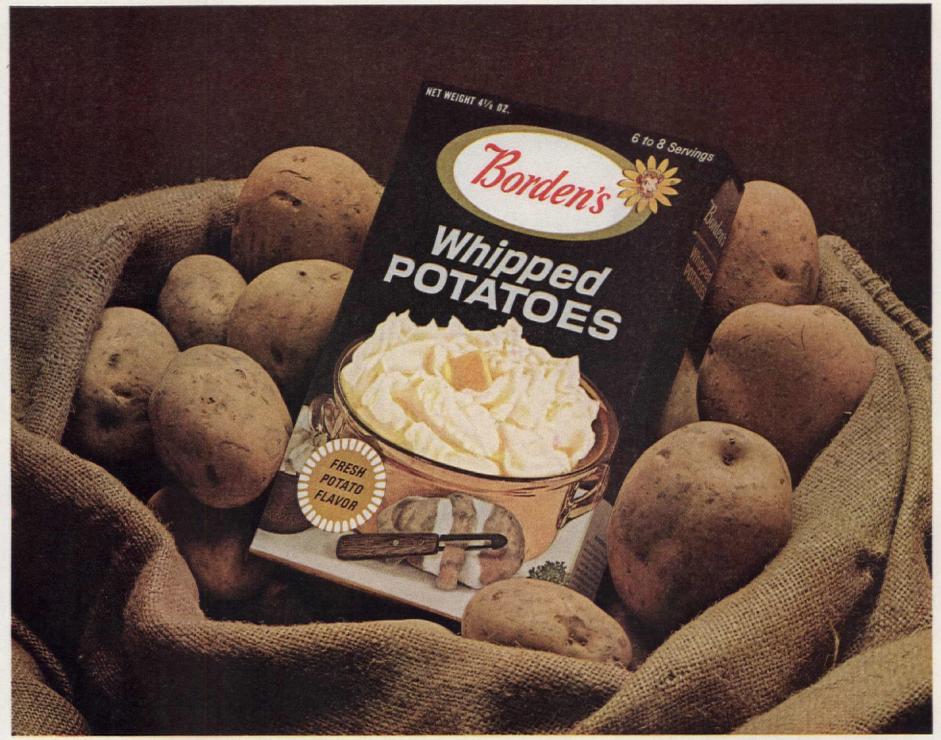
Cook artichoke hearts according to package directions; drain and place in shallow dish. Combine oil, lemon juice, salt, pepper, garlic, and oregano; mix well. Pour over artichoke hearts; let stand several hours or overnight. To serve, arrange several leaves romaine and endive on each salad plate. Place artichoke hearts, cauliflowerets, tomato wedges, and olives on leaves. Drizzle with any remaining dressing. Makes 6 servings.

PARTY MACARONI SALAD

Preparation time: 20 min./Chilling time: severals hrs.

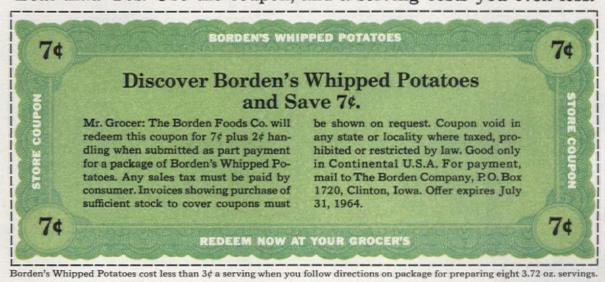
1/3 c. Roquefort cheese; 1/3 c. olive or pure vegetable oil; 3 tbs. wine vinegar; 1/4 tsp. salt; dash of pepper; 6 c. cooked elbow macaroni (6 oz. uncooked); 1/2 c. sliced green onions; 3/4 c. diced celery; 1/4 c. diced green pepper; 2 hard-cooked eggs, sliced; 3 firm, ripe tomatoes, cut in wedges.

Cream Roquefort cheese in salad bowl. Stir in oil gradually, keeping mixture smooth. Add vinegar, salt, and pepper; mix well. Add macaroni, green onions, celery, and green pepper. Toss until well coated with dressing. Chill. When ready to serve, garnish with hard-cooked eggs and tomato wedges. Makes 8 servings. (continued)



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CURRIED POTATO SALAD

Preparation time: 15 min./Chilling time: several hrs.

7 c. cubed, cooked potatoes; $\frac{1}{2}$ c. diced green peppers; 1 c. diced celery; 2 hard-cooked eggs, diced; 1 c. mayonnaise or salad dressing; $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ tbs. curry powder (depending on taste); 2 tbs. grated onion; 3 tbs. lemon juice; $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt; $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. pepper.

Mix potatoes, green pepper, celery, and hard-cooked eggs in large bowl. Combine remaining ingredients; pour over potato mixture. Toss gently until potatoes are coated. Chill several hours. Makes 2 quarts.

GLAZED SESAME ROLLS

Preparation time: 10 min.

3 tbs. melted butter or margarine; 1 tbs. honey; 1 pkg. brown 'n' serve small dinner rolls; 1 tbs. toasted sesame seeds.

Combine butter or margarine and honey; brush on tops of rolls; sprinkle with sesame seeds. Bake according to package directions.

QUICK ONION ROLLS

Preparation time: 10 min.

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ tbs. instant minced onion; $1\frac{1}{2}$ tbs. water; 2 tbs. melted butter or margarine; 1 pkg. refrigerated Parker House rolls.

Combine onion and water; let stand for 5 minutes. Add melted butter or margarine; brush over tops of rolls. Bake according to package directions.

FIESTA BREAD

Preparation time: 15 min.

1/4 c. soft butter or margarine; 1 c. grated Cheddar cheese; 1/2 c. catsup; 1/3 c. chopped ripe olives; 1/3 c. chopped green pepper; 1/3 c. chopped onion; 1 large or 2 small loaves French bread.

Mix butter or margarine, cheese catsup olives green pepper

Mix butter or margarine, cheese, catsup, olives, green pepper, and onion thoroughly. Split bread lengthwise in half. Spread each half with butter mixture. Wrap each half in foil and heat in oven or on grill. Or, put halves together and wrap in foil before heating. Cut in slices to serve.

HERBED CRESCENTS

Preparation time: 5 min.

2 tbs. melted butter or margarine; $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp. mixed salad herbs; 1 pkg. refrigerated crescent rolls.

Combine butter or margarine and herbs. Brush on rolls; Shape and bake according to package directions.

TANGY BREAD

Preparation time: 15 min.

5 tbs. soft butter or margarine; 1 tsp. prepared mustard; 1 tbs. chopped chives; 1 tbs. chopped parsley; 2 tbs. grated Parmesan cheese; 1 large loaf French or Italian bread.

Combine 4 tablespoons butter or margarine, mustard, chives, and parsley; blend well. Slash bread at 1-inch intervals almost through to bottom crust. Spread butter mixture between slashes. Brush top of bread with remaining 1 tablespoon butter or margarine; sprinkle with cheese. Wrap loaf in foil. Place on grill until hot, turning frequently.

SAVORY ROLLS

Preparation time: 5 min./Baking time: 5-8 min.

8 frankfurter rolls; 2 tbs. chopped parsley; 2 tbs. chopped chives or green onion tops; 2 tsp. chopped pimiento; 2 tsp. lemon juice; $\frac{1}{2}$ c. melted butter or margarine.

Slash rolls several times crosswise almost through to bottom. Mix remaining ingredients; spread in cuts and over tops; wrap in foil. Heat on grill or in hot oven (400° F.) 5 to 8 minutes.

BREAD STICKS

Preparation time: 15 min./Baking time: 5-8 min.

1 pkg. refrigerated biscuits; 3 tbs. melted butter or margarine; 1 tbs. sesame or caraway seeds.

Cut each biscuit in half; roll each half into pencil-thin stick; place on baking sheet. Brush with butter or margarine; sprinkle with sesame or caraway seeds. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 5 to 8 minutes or until golden.

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Bridal Shower (pictured in color on pages 58 and 59)

THE TEA TABLE

For a formal tea, buffet service is usually the most practical. Set the dining-room table with the prettiest cloth available—lace, embroidered linen, or pastel organdy—your most delicate china, and gleaming silver.

Serve both tea and coffee. Place the tea service at one end of the table, the coffee service at the opposite end. If you do not have two services, arrange to borrow one from a friend or obtain one from a catering or rental service. To leave yourself free to welcome and circulate among your guests, ask two, or better four, of your friends to do the honors of pouring. It is better to ask more than two so they can take turns at the table and have an opportunity themselves to enjoy the party. When to ask them? At the time you invite them to the party.

Grace the table with a floral centerpiece and, you might even do as we did, make a bouquet from the flowered cupcakes. We tell you how in the recipe. If your shower is late afternoon, have lighted candles on the table. Then arrange your table as you would for any buffet, making everything convenient and accessible to the guests. Have saucers, cups, spoons, and napkins at either end of the table with the tea and coffee services. Place trays or plates of food on the table as attractively as possible. During the party be sure you, or someone you've asked to help, see that the table is replenished from time to time so it always looks bountiful.

TEA SANDWICHES

In making sandwiches be sure to prepare all the fillings first.' They can stand while you prepare the breads—the bread shouldn't be left to dry out.

Next, line a shallow pan with several thicknesses of damp paper towels. Cover with a sheet of wax paper. Cut the bread into the specified shape and put it into the pan. Cover with wax paper and a layer of damp paper towels.

Work with one kind of filling at a time. Spread the bread first with a thin coating of soft butter or margarine to prevent the fillings from soaking through. Spread the bread with filling and roll or stack as called for in the recipe. Place again in same lined pan. Cover with wax paper and more damp towels and refrigerate. Rolled and stacked sandwiches must be chilled before you slice them. If any sandwiches have a top décor they should be handled slightly differently. After putting them in the lined pan, cover the pan tautly with foil or plastic wrap, so nothing rests on the tops of the sandwiches. Then chill them.

CURRIED CRAB-MEAT TARTLETS

2 c. sifted all-purpose flour; $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt; $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. sugar; $\frac{1}{2}$ c. butter or margarine; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. vegetable shortening; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. cold water; 2 cans (7 oz. each) crab meat, boned and finely chopped; $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. grated onion; $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. curry powder; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. mayonnaise or salad dressing; paprika; 3 hard-cooked eggs.

Sift flour, salt, and sugar into bowl. Cut butter or margarine and shortening in small pieces. Blend lightly into flour with fingers. Add water slowly, blending until mixture just clings together. Chill about 1 hour. Roll out ½-inch thick. Cut rounds with cooky cutter a little larger than tartlet pans; fit pastry into pans. Fill shells with raw rice to aid shells in holding shape. Bake in a hot oven (400° F.) 5 minutes. Remove from oven; cool slightly; carefully remove rice. Put shells back in oven to brown, about 5 minutes more. Remove from pans; cool thoroughly. (Shells can be made ahead and frozen. Thaw before filling with crab-meat mixture.) Combine crab meat, onion, curry powder, and mayonnaise or salad dressing. Spoon filling into shells shortly before serving; dust with paprika. Garnish with cutouts from hard-cooked eggs. Chill. Makes about 6 dozen 1½-inch tartlets.

GAY STRIPED RIBBONS

1 jar (5 oz.) Cheddar cheese spread; ½ c. soft butter or margarine; 1 loaf thin-sliced white bread; 1 loaf thin-sliced whole-wheat bread.

Blend cheese and butter or margarine together. Trim crusts from 6 slices white and 6 slices whole-wheat bread. For each sandwich "block" allow 2 slices of white and 2 slices of whole-wheat. Spread 3 slices with filling; stack alternate slices; use fourth slice for top, press firmly. Wrap in plastic wrap or foil; chill. Slice block in half vertically; slice each half into thin ribbons. Each block yields about 16 sandwiches. These can be made a day ahead and chilled.

CAVIAR THIMBLES

1 loaf unsliced white bread; ½ c. melted butter or margarine; 1 pkg. (8 oz.) process Swiss cheese; 1 jar (6 oz.) red caviar; sprigs of parsley.

Trim all crusts from loaf of bread. Cut bread into 1-inch cubes. Hollow out center of cubes with small sharp knife. Brush or dip all surfaces in butter or margarine; fill cavity with tiny snips of cheese. Arrange on cooky sheet. Bake in a slow oven (325° F.) until golden brown. Cool. If not using at once, wrap in foil or plastic wrap and keep at room temperature. Just before serving top each with tiny spoonful of caviar; add parsley sprig for garnish. Makes about 30.

STRAWBERRY DAISIES

Thin-sliced white bread; 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. chopped strawberries.

With daisy-shaped cooky cutter (available at most large department stores), cut out 72 daisies from bread. Beat cream cheese until soft; add strawberries; beat until well blended. To spread sandwiches with ease: make cone with triangle of wax paper; fill with strawberry mixture; snip off end of cone; pipe mixture onto 36 of the daisies; cover with remaining daisies. Garnish with additional strawberry-cheese filling if desired. Cover carefully and chill. Makes 36 sandwiches.

DEVILISH GOOD PINWHEELS

1 loaf unsliced white bread; 1 can $(4\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) deviled ham; 1 tbs. finely chopped pimiento; dill pickle spears; soft butter or margarine; 1 c. chopped parsley.

Trim crusts from bread; cut loaf lengthwise into ¼-inch slices. Roll each length of bread with rolling pin to render more flexible. Combine ham and pimiento; spread on bread, all the way to edge. At one end of bread (short end) press thin spear of dill pickle into place. Roll sandwich firmly like a jelly roll, starting with pickle end. Brush entire outside of roll with softened butter or margarine; roll in parsley. Wrap tightly in transparent plastic wrap or foil; chill. Each roll will slice into about 16 pinwheels. Enough filling for 4 lengths of bread.

TOMATO TREATS

1 pt. cherry tomatoes; 4 hard-cooked eggs; 1 tsp. grated onion; $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt; 1 tsp. lemon juice; 2 tbs. mayonnaise or salad dressing; 2 cans rolled anchovy fillets; 1 jar cocktail onions.

Cut thin slice off top of tomato; scoop out; turn over to drain. Chop eggs finely; blend in onion, salt, lemon juice, and mayonnaise or salad dressing. Spoon mixture into tomato; top with anchovy fillet. Spear cocktail onions on wooden pick; press upright into filling. Chill.

CHICKEN-MIMOSA TRIANGLES

1 loaf thin-sliced whole-wheat bread; 1 can (6 oz.) chicken, ground; 2 tbs. minced celery; 1 tbs. minced chives; $\frac{1}{4}$ c. stuffed olives, minced; $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt; $\frac{1}{8}$ tsp. pepper; 3 tbs. mayonnaise or salad dressing; 6 hard-cooked egg yolks; $\frac{1}{2}$ c. soft butter or margarine; parsley.

Cut triangles from whole-wheat bread. Combine chicken, celery, chives, olives, salt, pepper, and mayonnaise or salad dressing. Spread mixture on half the triangles; top with remaining triangles. Sieve egg yolks; cream well with butter or margarine. Press egg-butter mixture through decorating tube with small round tip to form design. Press parsley sprigs into design. Makes about 20 sandwiches. (continued)



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ROSE-BOUQUET CUPCAKES

Preparation time: 15 min./Baking time: 18-20 min.

3 c. sifted cake flour; 2½ tsp. baking powder; ½ tsp. salt; 1 c. milk; 3/4 c. soft butter or margarine; 11/2 c. sugar; 3 eggs; 11/2 tsp. vanilla.

Line 2-inch cupcake pans with fluted paper liners. Set oven at hot (400° F.). Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together; measure milk. Combine butter or margarine, sugar, eggs, and vanilla in mixing bowl; beat at high speed on electric mixer until light and fluffy (3 to 4 minutes). Add flour mixture and milk alternately, beginning and ending with flour. Beat until smooth after each addition at low speed on mixer, scraping bottom and sides of bowl frequently. Fill cupcake pans half full. Bake 18 to 20 minutes. Remove from pans at once; cool on wire racks. Makes 48 cupcakes. If you have only one or two cupcake pans, batter may be refrigerated while one batch bakes.

LEMON-BUTTER FROSTING

1/2 c. soft butter or margarine; 1 box (1 lb.) sifted confectioners' sugar; 1 tsp. grated lemon rind; 3 to 4 tbs. lemon juice; few drops red food coloring.

Blend butter or margarine, 2 cups confectioners' sugar, and lemon rind until smooth. Add remaining sugar slowly alternately with enough lemon juice to make smooth and spreadable. Tint one half pale pink, leave other half white. Frost 24 cupcakes pink, 24 white. Frost smoothly to provide base for flower.

ROYAL FROSTING (ORNAMENTAL FROSTING)

3 egg whites; ½ tsp. cream of tartar; 1 pkg. (1 lb.) sifted confectioners' sugar; red and green food coloring.

Beat egg whites and cream of tartar until foamy. Beat in confectioners' sugar slowly; beat at high speed until mixture will hold its shape and knife drawn through frosting will leave sharp clean path. Frosting will harden quickly, so keep it covered with damp towel to prevent drying out. Divide into thirds. Leave one third white, tint one pale pink and remainder pale green. If frosting loses stiffness, beat hard to restiffen.

DECORATING CAKES

PAPER CONE: For decorating, you may use a decorating set, but paper cones are easy to use and disposable. To make one, fold square of bond, parchment, or wax paper to make perfect triangle; cut on fold line; this will give you 2 triangles. Using center of broadest side of triangle for point of cone, bring two points up toward third point (opposite point of cone). Move these points around until cone shape forms. Fasten with tape. ROSE: Cut tip of paper cone to hold a #103 decorating tip. (This is a narrow, straight, wedge-shaped tip.) Half fill cone with pink Royal Frosting. Hold wide end of wedge tip close to surface. Turn white-frosted cupcake slowly with left hand, squeeze frosting to form upright cone. Squeeze 3 short lengths around cone to form compact center petals. Continue forming petals in this manner, tipping wedge slightly outward to form petals of full-grown rose. Form white roses on pink-frosted cupcakes.

LEAVES: Cut tip off paper cone; notch end. Half fill cone with green Royal Frosting. Pipe leaves around roses.

TO MAKE BOUQUET (as pictured): You will need a twotiered stand. Perhaps you can make one from two round trays or flat plates, but here is what we did. Mark out two circles on half-inch plywood. Cut with jigsaw. We used a 13-inch and a 9-inch circle fastened in the center with a three-inch piece of one-and-a-half-inch dowel. If your cupcakes differ in size from ours, arrange them in circles to determine what size plywood circles to cut. Spray them with two coats of flat white. Cover with lace paper doilies, having scallops extend beyond wood edges. Alternate pink and white cupcakes around larger circle. Alternate rings of pink and white cupcakes on smaller circle. Add a white-ribbon bow and streamers. THE END



\$700 Brings a New Look To a Well-Planned Kitchen





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hen Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stein bought their home in North Miami, Florida, the kitchen, though adequate, lacked both character and personality. The cabinets were the usual white, the wall treatment plain and rather uninteresting.

Mr. Stein is in the food business so the family thought the kitchen should be unique and a showplace for friends and business associates.

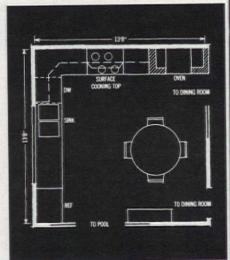
Since the Steins are not do-ityourselfers, they called in help to do the work. It was first decided that no structural changes were necessary. The kitchen has its three important work centers for refrigeration, cleanup, and cooking. Each area was surrounded by expansive, uncluttered counter tops and plenty of cabinet storage.

No new appliances were needed, as those left by the former owners were up-to-date and equipped with all the important convenience features.

There was nothing wrong with the location of the kitchen either. For outdoor entertaining sliding glass doors open onto the poolside patio. A handy pass-through shelf in the window is used as a convenient service buffet.

The job then was primarily a decorating and accessorizing one. To achieve the results you see here, the cabinets were sprayed in shades of blue and green-cost of paint and labor, \$250. The Steins chose a custom-colored wallpaper priced at \$150 for 12 rolls. The Victorian lighting fixture and the four Victorian styled side chairs were found in a second-hand shop-the cost \$220. The chairs needed reupholstering, and for easy cleaning the Steins chose a blue leather fabric costing \$40. The contemporary metal-based table (cost \$40) is covered with bright vinyl fabric edged with tassels to complete the Victorian look. Beads, which the Steins had, were used to make a decorative curtain at the window.

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Whether you call it a picnic, luau, weenie roast, clambake, or barbecue, first and foremost you need the proper equipment. Here we give you a rundown of some of the available equipment for a small gathering. We've purposely omitted the built-in brick variety of grills or cement block outdoor kind. We've left out the wherewithals for large gatherings, Maine clambakes or Texas steer roasts, because the staging of these requires the know-how of experts.

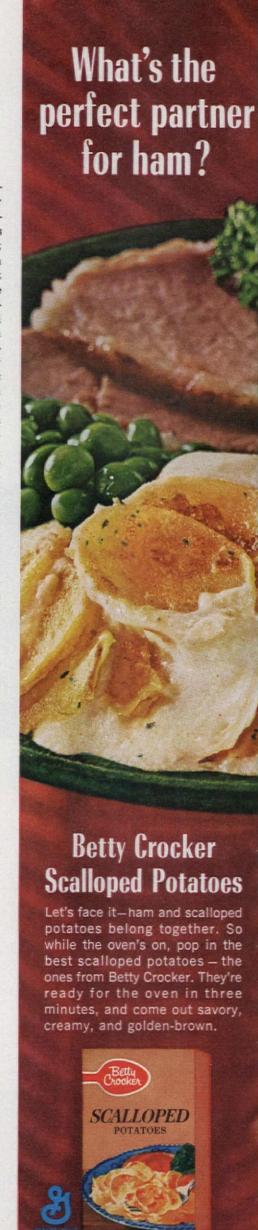
There are barbecue cookers which use electricity for fuel; others which are tied into your gas line; some that use bottled gas; camp stoves that use propane, alcohol, and solidified canned heat; still others which use the rays of the sun for fuel; and a model which uses rolled newspaper. The most popular fuel is charcoal and charcoal briquettes occasionally enhanced by wood chips for additional flavor.

You may find it's fun to have one of the smallest of the charcoal cookersthe habachi. The small habachi needs as few as four charcoal briquettes, is available in models of cast iron (some are porcelain coated) or stainless steel. Larger models will hold a steak or four to six hot dogs or hamburgers. The heatproof legs on most models make it possible to use them as an attractive centerpiece on the table. Guests can prepare their own beforedinner tidbits. The heavenly smell of outdoor barbecuing stimulates the appetite for the delicious main course you'll serve from the kitchen. Because of their size, habachis are also popular with inside fireplace cooks. They are easy to clean and require little storage space.

For the picnicker or the apartmentdwelling chef, with a small terrace or postage-stamp back yard, the portable charcoal grills are ideal. Styles available include bucket models, about the size of large pails, where fuel can be packed in them, ready to kindle at a moment's notice. Folding grills are round or rectangular fire boxes supported by folding legs and topped with a grill. Many have their own storage containers. They are lightweight and pack compactly for easy transportation and storage. Braziers are round, shallow fire bowls on legs and are often equipped with wheels for easy moving. There is a wide variety of braziers in varied colors with a choice of accessories. Choose a brazier with an adjustable grill that can be raised or lowered for controlling heat. Another great aid to heat control is a draft door in the bottom of the bowl. Many are equipped with collars or hoods to shield the fire from wind. As you become more adept at outdoor cooking, you may wish to purchase a rotisserie or warming oven attachment. The rotisserie has an electric motor-driven spit (one new model has a swing-out spit for easy seasoning) and optional accessories including hot-dog skewers and baskets for fish or small pieces of chicken. The warming oven on top of the windbreaker is excellent for keeping rolls or vegetables piping hot until the meat is ready to serve. Small detachable serving tables are often available for braziers.

One step beyond the brazier, for those of you who are willing to spend a little more for equipment, is the covered kettle. Resembling a Dutch oven on legs, the covered kettle is sturdier than the brazier, is made of a heavy-duty metal, and has dampers in both the bottom and the cover. You can cook chops, steaks, and other flat meats in the covered kettle over direct heat. By placing the charcoal on the sides of the grill, separated by a drip pan, whole meats, as roasts and chickens, can be cooked by indirect heat. The cover reflects the heat evenly to all sides, eliminating the need for turning meats.

The more expensive equipment offers more cooking features. Cooking tables and wagons in their simplest form, include a brazier with attached shelves and work tables. However, the more elaborate ones rival the well-equipped kitchen. The gourmet chef can use the cooking units for frying, smoking, broiling, baking, or as a rotisserie. They are equipped with self-starters, push-button controls, spits, cutting boards, towel racks, condiment shelves, (continued)





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thermostats, work tables, and pots and pans. The most expensive and elegant models have electric ice makers, bottle racks, insulated ice-cream compartments, and glass and dish storage space.

Vertical grills are also becoming popular. The fat cannot fall into the fire in these grills. The fire box or boxes are upright with racks or kebob skewers suspended in front, around, or between them. Juices and drippings fall into a pan and can be used for basting.

There are numerous barbecue accessories on the market. Some are merely gadgets-others are most important to the outdoor chef. These items you will want to include in your cookout inventory: asbestos gloves; barbecue hardware, for example, long-handled spatula, fork, knife, and tongs; aluminum foil, bottle of water with sprinkler (to smother flame flare-ups); pepper mill and salt shaker; work and serving tables; broiling basket; skewers, cutting board; and roast meat thermometer.

Other equipment such as towels, potholders, trays, skillets, baskets, paper products, and serving accessories . . . why not just borrow these from the kitchen! THE END

How to Get Carried Away

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How-To's for trays: Down to the Sea: spray rim nautical blue; dry. Glue section of ship blueprint to center. Frame with narrow white rope. Spring Bouquet: apply a thin coat of varnish to tray surface. When varnish is tacky, not wet, apply silver leaf to surface by lapping one sheet over preceding one. While laying leaf DO NOT BRUSH AWAY LOOSE LEAF. Allow to dry thoroughly, then brush off loose leaf with a piece of velvet. Cut out flower, leaf, and bowl forms from bright tissue paper. Mount in layers one over the other with transparent glue; dry. Spray with acrylic spray; dry. Newshound: cut headlines and logos from foreign newspapers. Brush wallpaper paste on backs of strips. Arrange on tray, overlapping 1/8"; dry. Trim curved corners. Spray with acrylic spray; dry. Spring Beauties: cut fabric to fit tray. Brush tray with fabric adhesive and spread fabric on tray. Smooth into place; dry. Trim surplus fabric. Cardsharp: spray tray a color; dry. Arrange cards for spacing. Trim off corners of cards to fit curved rim. Apply glue to card backs; press in place. Keep cards flat with a heavy weight till dry. Budding Artist: Have yours draw a picture with colored chalk on paper to fit center of tray. Spray rim a color; dry. Glue drawing in place; dry. Spray with acrylic spray; dry. Finish all trays with a coat of bartop varnish to waterproof. THE END



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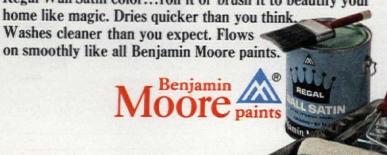
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MYRON S. ANDERSON HERE'S HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR PROBLEM

When you start gardening in a new or recently developed community, you soon learn why anyone who has a good lawn, foundation planting, or flower bed is so proud of it. Success does not come easily! The ground is so hard it takes almost Herculean effort to plant anything, and nothing seems to grow the way it should anyway. The reason, you may or may not find out, is that present-day building methods play havoc with the composition and texture of the soil. Most of the topsoil is lost in the process of land clearing, excavating, and grading, and whatever kind of soil remains is compacted almost to the consistency of concrete by the tremendous weight of the earth-moving equipment. Plant growth is adversely affected in direct proportion to the resultant infertility and impenetrability of the soil-and so is the pleasure of gardening!

So much for the recognition and explanation of the problem. What you really want to know is how to go about correcting it.

If you're lucky enough to live in an area where good quality topsoil is plentiful and cheap, the solution to your problem is quite simple. Spread about six inches of topsoil over all the ground where you intend to have a lawn and provide a foot or more of topsoil in the spots where you'll have flower beds. Dig oversize planting holes and fill with topsoil whenever you set out trees or shrubs. Then with normal attention to fertilizing, watering, spraying, and pruning, you'll soon have a splendid garden with a minimum of trouble.

If you're a home owner of average luck, however, you'll find that in your area topsoil is either unobtainable or prohibitively expensive. So you'll still want to know how you can solve your soil problem!

Fortunately the solution is not quite as difficult as you might suppose. By adding large quantities of organic matter and moderate amounts of fertilizer to that problem soil of yours, you'll actually turn it into first-rate topsoil within a very short time—for all practical purposes, in fact, almost instantly. Lawn grass, perennials, roses, shrubs, trees—everything—will respond immediately and your soil problem per se will be over.

The kind of organic matter to use is the kind that's most plentiful and cheapest in your area. Satisfactory materials include peat, leafmold, compost, animal manures, sewage sludge, sawdust, wood chips, ground bark, ground corncobs, chopped straw or hay, sugar cane refuse, spent hops, collected leaves, or any other low-value plant by-product that is not injurious to growing plants.

Peat is the most generally available organic material and has excellent soil-conditioning qualities. It is often quite strongly acid, however, and so it's advisable to add agricultural lime to reduce the acidity when using peat in acid-soil areas. It's not necessary to do so, of course, in alkalinesoil areas or when preparing soil for rhododendrons, azaleas, and other acid-loving plants. About two inches of peat should be worked into the upper six inches of soil for lawn making and larger amounts should be used when preparing soil for perennials, roses, and shrubs. So in a good-size garden use of peat may prove to be rather expensive.

Sawdust is available in unlimited quantity in some localities-at sawmills, lumberyards, woodworking factories, etc.-and often can be had for the cost of transporting it. The same is true of wood chips, produced by chipping machines that are used by utility companies and highway or park departments to dispose of the branches and trees that result from tree-trimming and tree-removal operations. Both these materials are good soil builders, though you'll need to use extra amounts of high-nitrogen fertilizer with them to offset their nitrogen-depleting effect. The bacteria which break down wood obtain their nitrogen from the soil, since there's practically none in the wood. It's necessary then, to supply additional nitrogen during the decomposition period. Two to three inches of sawdust or wood chips should be spread on the surface and worked into the upper six inches of soil.

Processed sewage sludge (known as "digested" sludge) is obtainable free from the sewage disposal plants of many small cities and towns and is sufficiently sanitary to use. It is an excellent soil-conditioning material and contains about 2 per cent nitrogen which adds to its value. Two or three inches of it should be spread on the surface and worked into the upper six inches of soil. "Activated" sewage sludge is usually produced by largecity disposal plants and sold in bags as an organic fertilizer. It contains 5 to 6 per cent nitrogen and other plant nutrients and, though a first-rate plant food, is usually too expensive to use as a soil conditioner.

Leafmold and compost are ideal soil-building materials, but not often available in sufficient quantity and at low enough price for extensive lawn and garden-making operations. Their nitrogen and other plant nutrient content is low and they need to be used at about the same rate as peatmoss.

Animal and poultry manures, if available at reasonable cost, are

splendid soil conditioners and also contain small amounts (usually ¼ to 2 per cent) of nitrogen plus other plant nutrients. They may contain quite a bit of weed seed too, but with modern weedkillers this needn't be too important. Spread poultry manure one to two inches deep on the surface, and horse, cow, or other animal manure two to three inches deep and work it into the upper six inches.

Most of the other organic materials mentioned will do their job if spread two or three inches deep and worked into the soil. Loose, lightweight materials like chopped hay or straw, and collected leaves (often available from local park or road departments) may have to be used at heavier rates-say four inches deepto provide enough organic matter to be worth-while. Even so, if they're available free or very cheap, they'll be a thoroughly sound investment.

The best way to use any of these organic materials is to spread them as evenly as possible and then to spread an extraheavy application of lawn fertilizer (about three times the normal lawn rate) on top of the organic material. Next rotary-till the ground to a depth of about six inches or as deep as necessary to mix the organic material with the soil.

If the ground is covered by a struggling lawn of ryegrass and weeds, it'll make the rotarytilling job easier if the grass and weeds are mowed as short as possible before the organic material is spread. Even so, unless you really love hard work, you'll be smart to hire a man with a large commercial rotary tiller to handle the job efficiently. If the soil contains a large amount of clay and is compacted as hard as it usually is in new developmentsnot to mention the presence of rock, roots, and other debris!a small garden tiller or even a medium-sized rented machine just won't do the jcb easily or efficiently.

In the preparation of flower beds or other small areas where a large tiller can't be used, the organic material can be worked into the soil by the old-fashioned technique of spading or digging. If the ground is so hard you can't use a spade or fork, you can loosen it, before working organic matter into it, with a tool called a hydraspade. This is a simple device that attaches to a garden hose and penetrates the hardest soil with a strong jet of water. When planting trees and shrubs, dig extra-large holesat least twice as large as the roots actually require—and add plenty of organic matter and fertilizer when you fill in.

When conditioning your soil with organic matter and fertilizer, it'll be well to have a few samples of it tested by your county agricultural agent, located at the county seat. His report will tell you whether your soil is acid or alkaline, if it's

deficient in any of the major plant nutrients, and what chemicals to add for the plants you intend to grow.

Adding organic material to your soil is something you only have to do once—plant roots and soil organisms will maintain it from then on—but adding fertilizer is something you'll have to do regularly and always! Lawn grasses are the

hungriest plants in the garden, and to keep a lawn in the best condition it should be fed at least three times a year. Almost everything else—annuals, perennials, roses, shrubs, trees—should be fed at least once and preferably twice a year in the cooler parts of the country and two or three times a year in the warmer, long-season areas.

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Every year millions of home owners take brush in one hand, paint can in the other, and proceed to give the outside of their house a bright, new coat of paint—one which they expect will last four, five, or six years. Anywhere from one month to three years later many of these same home owners, disgruntled and disappointed, will be back at the job of painting again.

If you're among this unhappy group beset by peeling, blistering, fading, or any other paint problem, you might be asking yourself "Is it providence or the paint itself that shortens the life of a paint job?" Unless you've used a cheap, unknown brand of paint, the answer is neither. Any good brand will last four to six years if it's used correctly. In almost every case, premature paint failure is due to the omission of an important step in surface preparation, improper application of paint, use of the wrong type of paint, or the exis-

tence of a serious moisture condition.

Ten of the most common types of paint failure, together with their causes and cures, are listed below. Chances are you'll find your particular problem among them. By following the prescribed treatment you can add years to the life of the next coat of paint you apply.

Blistering. If you notice many bubbles on any outside painted surface of your house, you have a blistering condition. One way to confirm this is to take a razor blade and slit a few of the bubbles. If blistered, the area beneath will feel wet; you might even see water seeping out.

Blistering is caused by moisture accumulating behind the paint, breaking its bond, and shoving the film outward. If permitted to go unchecked, the blisters may eventually break and lead to other more serious problems such as peeling, cracking.

To solve the problem, first deter-

mine whether the moisture is coming from outside or inside the house.

If blisters are localized around windows, dormers, or gutters and downspouts, the condition is originating externally. Blisters around windows and dormers indicate that calking has probably cracked and water is seeping beneath the paint. To correct this, do a thorough recalking job. Even when there is no sign of blistering, a home should be recalked before new paint is applied.

Blisters around gutters and downspouts generally indicate one of several problems: the gutters aren't properly pitched and water is overflowing during heavy rains; a gutter or downspout is damaged and leaking; or a damming condition (perhaps a downspout is clogged) is causing water to back up and overflow. A minor repair job will remedy these.

If the blistering is not localized but found on large areas of the house, the moisture is probably coming from inside the house.

The tremendous amount of moisture created by clothes dryers, dishwashers, washing machines, sinks, showers, and cooking must get outside the house one way or another. If a home isn't properly ventilated, this moisture will go through the walls of the house. When it hits a nonporous oil-base-paint film, blistering results.

There are several ways to combat internal moisture and prevent paint from blistering. One is to apply latex paint to the house. This "breathing" paint permits moisture to escape through the paint film. However, before you apply latex paint, all the old paint must be taken off. Ordinarily, latex paint can be applied right over an oil-base paint if an intermediate primer is used. However, if this is done when blistering has occurred, the oil-base paint will continue to prevent the moisture from getting through. If the old oil-base paint has been removed by burning or scraping, subsequent painting and repainting with latex paint, according to the manufacturer's directions, will help assure a blister-free surface.

A better way to combat a build-up of internal moisture is to ventilate your home properly. Moisture-producing appliances, such as clothes dryers, should be vented to the outside. There should be adequate louvers in the attic. One square foot of louver is recommended for every 300 square feet of attic space. If these things fail to relieve the moisture problem, then you should consider the installation of tiny vent louvers around your home. Placed into the outside walls just above the sill and below the eave, these louvers dissipate the excess moisture to the outside by ventilating the stud spaces.

In all of the above cases, before repainting, scrape and sand the blistered area smooth and let it dry out.



Chalking. Under most conditions, chalking is normal and the way paint ages. The paint film begins to disintegrate slowly and becomes powdery within a year or so after it has been applied. Normal chalking is often desirable since dirt and soot that settle on the house are washed off with the chalk when it rains.

However, there is such a thing as abnormal or excessive chalking. This is what happens when the paint begins to chalk too soon after it's applied or at a very rapid rate.

To avoid this type of paint failure, you should not try to make a can of paint go too far. Spread it on evenly and thick enough to cover the old surface. Never apply paint in rain, fog, or mist, or if there is dew on the house. This can cause excessive chalking.

Applying only one coat of paint over a surface that is too porous will also cause abnormal chalking. This results in a breakdown of the paint's binder and its ability to chalk properly is impaired. Suppose, for example, you decide to paint your house a charcoal gray. It's now covered with a white paint that's been on for several years.

Gray has good hiding powers when applied over the old white surface, and you may feel one coat is enough. But what happens?

The binder of the gray paint is rapidly absorbed by the porous surface beneath. Only a thin coat of gray is left on the surface and, soon after, it begins to chalk and wash away. When the white paint shows through the gray surface, blotches appear.

This is probably the best reason for always applying two coats of new paint.

Chalk-retardant paints are available and should be used where free chalking is not desirable. They last much longer, but, of course, they will not clean.

Chalk-retardant paint is particularly recommended for painting wood surfaces that are in contact with, or above, masonry. It prevents chalk run-off onto the masonry, which produces a stain. This product is also recommended if a home is in an area of heavy rainfall. Don't forget: the more it rains and the more a paint chalks, the more its life will be shortened.

Checking and Alligatoring. Tiny, interlaced cracks appearing over the paint surface indicate a checking condition. Alligatoring is an advanced stage of checking in which the paint surface becomes interlaced with cracked lines; it literally resembles an alligator's skin. If checking is noticed, it should be repaired before it reaches the alligatoring stage.

A major cause of checking is the use of a cheap paint with insufficient binder. Another cause is not allowing enough drying time between two coats of paint. If the first coat is not dry when the second coat is applied, it contracts and absorbs some of the binder of the second coat, causing checks to appear.

If you encounter checks or alligatoring on any part of the house, scrape and sand the area smooth before repainting. Cracking. When this condition prevails, paint cracks all the way down to bare wood, causing the paint film to curl up at the cracked edges.

Cracking can be the result of several things. There may have been excessive moisture on the surface when the paint was applied which led to (continued)



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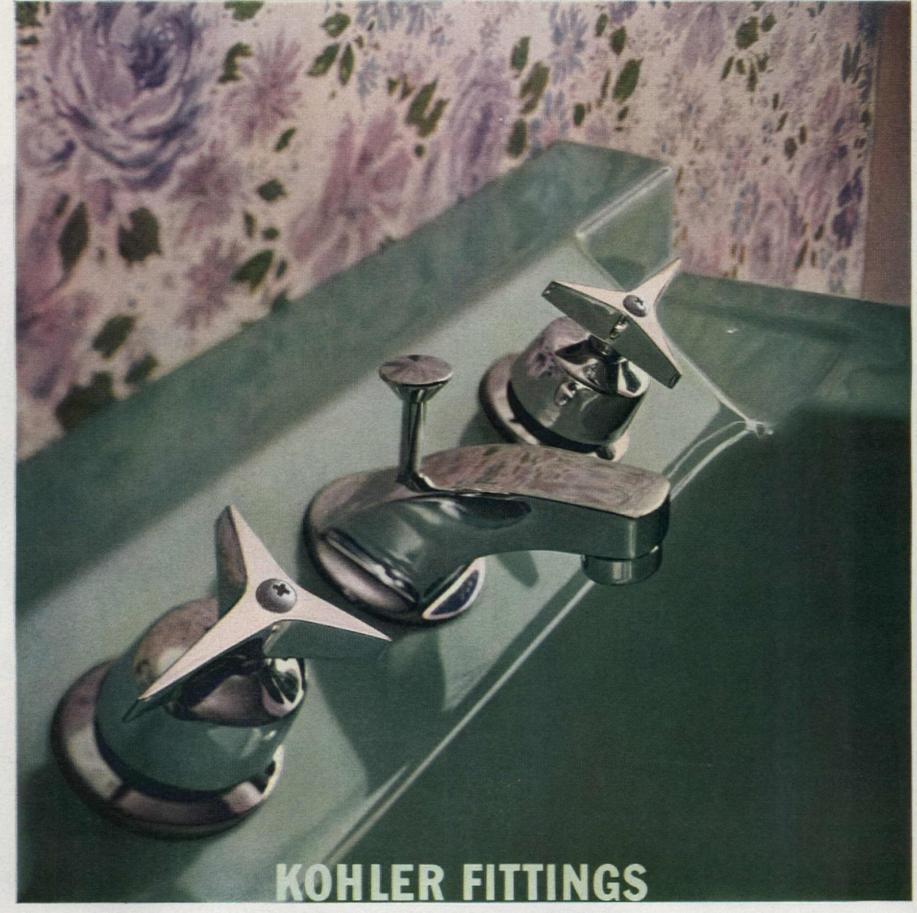
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blistering or peeling and (continued) to cracking. An inferior paint, lacking in elastic qualities, might have been used. The paint film must have sufficient elasticity to permit it to expand and contract along with the wood.

Cracking can also result if paint isn't properly mixed before its application or if it isn't brushed on evenly and smoothly. In these instances, oil and solid paint particles tend to

clump together and can raise globules of paint in localized areas. When dry, the paint cracks and begins to curl back.

Where cracked paint is encountered, it should be removed down to bare wood before repainting. Never apply new paint on top of it, since the top coating will begin to crack again as the curled edges of the old paint start to push upward.

Crawling. When you begin to paint and you notice that the paint is drawing itself up into drops or globules soon after it's applied, you had better stop. This is called crawling and, should you continue, the globs will dry and begin to crack.

Consider these questions which will lead you to the cause of the crawling condition: Is the weather chilly or foggy? Am I using a rubber-base paint directly on top of an oil-base paint without a primer? Did I mix the paint thoroughly to distribute liquid and solid particles evenly throughout the paint? Did I use a paint remover on the surface prior to painting so that the surface was greasy or waxy?

To prevent crawling, paint on a clear, dry day with the temperature no lower than 50 degrees. Mix the paint properly. If you must paint over a greasy or waxy surface, rub that surface with turpentine and steel wool, and then apply a bonding primer before putting on the finish coat. Don't mix paint with different bases.

Fading. All colored paints eventually fade. However, there are certain factors which dictate whether some paints will do this faster than others.

The paint on homes near salt water, for example, will fade much faster since salt air affects paint adversely.

If one side of your house is subjected to heavy poundings of winddriven rain and snow, and then bright sunlight, it will fade faster than the other sides. You don't have much control over weather conditions, but keep in mind that cheaper paints fade faster than the more expensive types because they contain less or cheaper color pigments.

Bleeding. This type of stain occurs most frequently on natural redwood or cedar siding and shingles. The soluble color, or sap of the wood begins to run (or bleed) and the siding or shingles are stained. Usually the trouble arises from inadequate sealing of the wood due to thin paint films

be sanded or scraped clean, coated with a knot sealer, and top-coated with paint that matches the surrounding surface.

Wrinkling. If the paint assumes a rough crinkled texture, you have a condition known as wrinkling. The main cause of wrinkling is application of too thick a coat. Never try to make one coat of paint do the work of two, since the top surface will dry first and

ceive sunlight. You can get rid of the fungus by scrubbing the affected area with a solution of trisodium phosphate (available in paint stores) mixed with household ammonia and water, followed by a thorough rinsing with water. Also, look over the area and determine if you can get some sunlight on it. Perhaps a rearrangement of shrubs or plantings will suffice.

Air-carried industrial chemicals

are the leading cause of sulfide discoloration. This type of paint failure, however, is not necessarily confined to homes located in or near industrial sites. Sulfide discolor ation can occur in any location where there is rotting vegetable or animal matter, as near a stagnant beach or swamp.

Sulfide stains can be removed by a hydrogenperoxide solution but the results are rarely worth the effort. If the stain doesn't disappear by itself as a result of chalking, the best solution is repainting.

When mildew or sulfide discoloration are present, use a special fume- and mildew-resistant paint that will combat the condition. This type of paint will not discolor when exposed to hydrogen sulfide. It also has a fungicide such as a phenyl-mercuric compound added to it.

Peeling. There are two types of peeling paint. The peeling can take place between the top coat of paint and the paint surface directly underneath it or the entire paint film can peel, exposing the bare wood. Peeling between coats is usually caused by the application of paint to a greasy or oily surface. It can also be caused by painting over an area that is too smooth or glossyas is often the case under eaves where old paint was protected from weather.

Before repainting, always roughen hard, glossy surfaces with sandpaper and remove loose flakes of old paint where peeling has occurred. Greasy or oily material should be

removed by washing with a detergent, wiping with solvent, or by sanding.

If peeling occurs between the paint film and wood surface it is usually the result of a moisture problem. Often, paint blisters will break open, causing the paint film to curl back and flake off. The moisture problem should be cured before repainting.

Regardless of the type of paint failure you have, an important part of the remedy will always be the use of a wellknown, reliable brand of paint when you repaint your house.



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or an irregular application. This allows moisture to penetrate the wood and extract the dye.

To prevent this action, apply a coat of shake-shingle paint to the surface to help prevent water penetration. If the wood siding or shingles have a natural finish, a coat of spar varnish will help. Sometimes excessive moisture originating from inside the house is the source of the trouble. (See Blistering for remedies.)

If the bleeding is caused by knots in the wood, the stained areas should leave the bottom still soft. As the bottom surface attempts to dry, it could absorb the binder of the top paint and make that paint wrinkle.

Wrinkling can also occur if paint is applied to a cold surface. In this case, only the top surface dries while the colder bottom surface remains soft.

Mildew and Sulfide Discoloration. These take the form of rusty or sooty deposits on the paint surface.

Mildew occurs primarily in damp climates, but it can happen anywhere if a portion of the house doesn't re-

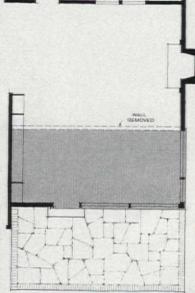
CLOSING IN PORCH OPENS UP OPPORTUNITIES

The Fred Pain family, of Cold Spring Harbor, New York, decided it was time to get a fresh start on a room to live in. The family room was crowded and the porch outside it was not as useful as extra space in the living room would be. So they decided to enclose the porch. By using lots of glass they could still enjoy the wooded scene outside. And they could step from the living room directly to the flagstone terrace. The main structural problem was to remove a bearing wall without installing an unsightly beam at this point. This was solved by using a steel beam and attaching 2x4s to it to hold up the roof. They closed off a window that opened onto the old porch and one by the fireplace, built a storage wall, paneled the room, and then sat back to enjoy the results.

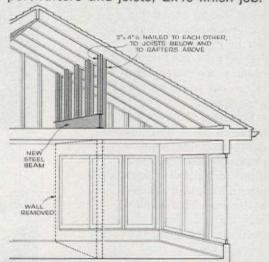
Darkened area was the porch. Plan shows space gained by enclosing it, and removing the two windows. The living room nearly doubles in size and usefulness.



Small porch was enclosed to en-



Sketch shows how bearing wall was removed and steel beam installed to support rafters and joists; 2x4s finish job.





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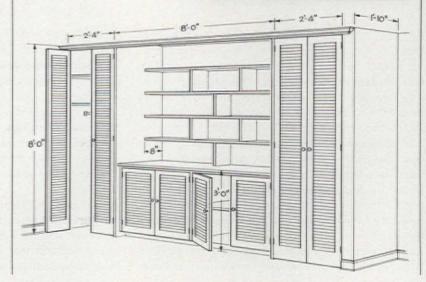


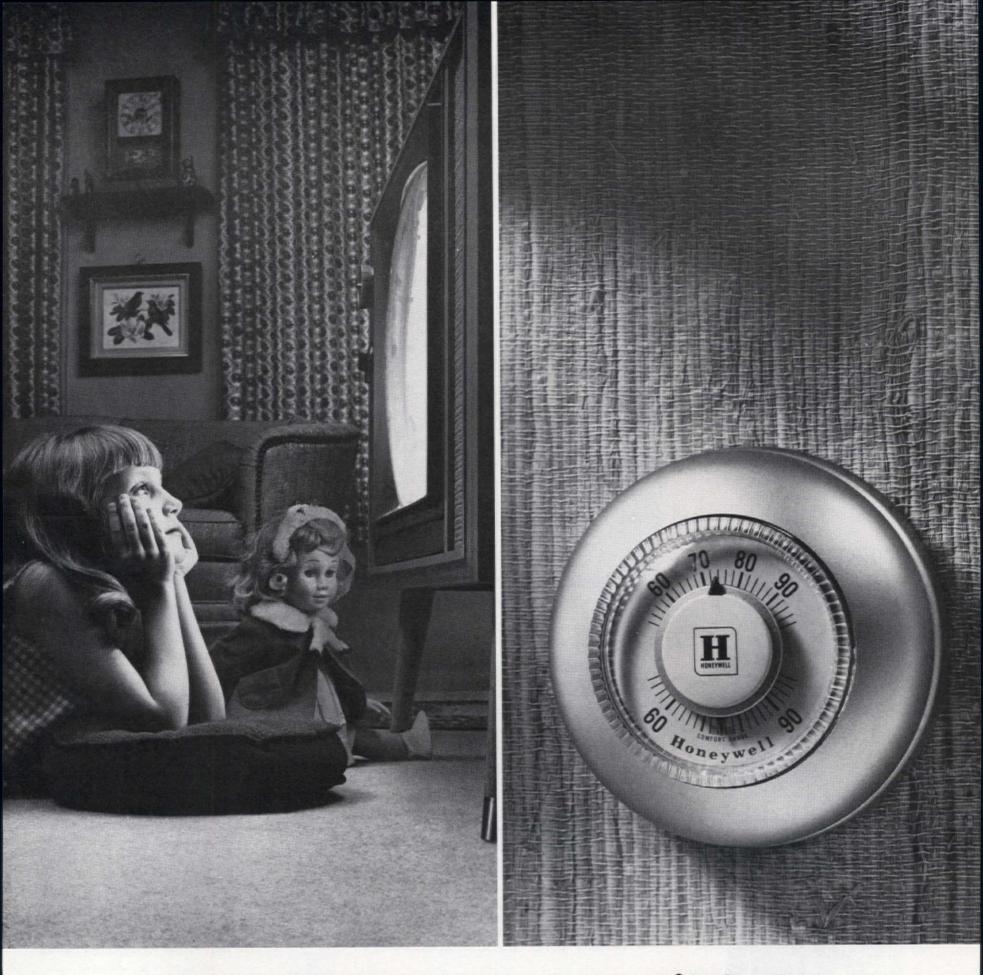
Same room, after changes, is larger, receives more light from additional full-length windows and seems closer to outdoors.

Picture above shows cutup space and lack of storage. Below is the new living room, uncluttered. The built-in storage wall neatly holds books, records, and organizes all the recreational material that can lead to clutter. Sketch, below, shows dimensions of cabinet components. The counter top is Formica, has a lift-up panel concealing the hi-fi.









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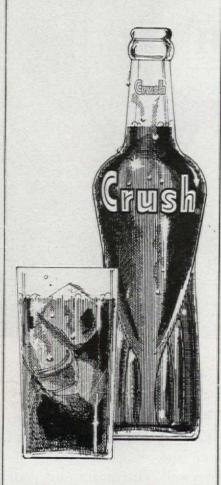
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Our first auction was an historic moment. Carried away by the feverishly competitive spirit, we lost track of our ordinarily money-minded nature. We bought an authentic bookcase (of what era we never did find out), which amounted to seven wobbly boards when the varnish and Pennsylvania Dutch hex signs were removed.

However, to our own amazement, we went back for more. Now that we've learned a few helpful auction hints and set limits to our budget, we've been more successful. For very little, we've enhanced our decorating scheme with a Limoges tea set, a Pennsylvania Dutch clock, a Swedish china candelabrum, a marble-top chest, a Boston rocker, and some leatherbound histories published in the 18th century.

On a recent trip to the land of red barn and rocking chair, we began to think about the possible origins of the auction. Our next visit to the library - the ultimate in antiquity-led not only to some of the answers but to an interesting path in history.

Perhaps even more amazing than the recent sale in New York of Rembrandt's "Aristotle Contemplating the Bust of Homer" was the auctioning of the entire Roman Empire in the 1st century, A.D. To the final bidder, Senator Didius Julianus, also went the emperor's crown-neither of which was taken too seriously from some accounts. Didius was soon overthrown, assassinated, and his bargain lost.

But bidding-fever spread and, as with the many plagues that stormed England, so it was with the auction.

The British adopted a bidding

system popularly known as sale by candle or inch of candle. This method is fairly simple. The auctioneer was supplied with a number of small candles. When a bid was made he would light one of them. If the flame expired before an additional amount was offered, the sale was ended. If, however, an additional bid was made before the candle burned out, the auctioneer

offer successively lower amounts until one was accepted.

Although not used exclusively, the Dutch auction was used often in selling girls for wives. The higher prices were accepted for more attractive women; the less-comely girls sold at bargain rates. When a bidding was completed, the buyer had to promise the auctioneer that he would marry his Dutch had bartered 80 guilders, bright cloth, trinkets, and the popularly referred-to beads for the green fields of Manhattan Island.

During the early colonization, the auction was found to be the most economical way to dispose of European merchandise. Boston, having one of the busiest ports of the 18th century, became known as the auction

center for the colonies.

Auction merchandise was by no means limited to the northern colonies or to supplies from Europe. In the Southern communities the tobacco auction became the most successful way of reaping profits from the musty leaf.

Farm products are still sold by this time-tried method. But probably, the most popular auctions today involve collections. such as stamps and coins, great works of art, rare books, and the endless array of Early American and Victorian items sold at country auctions.

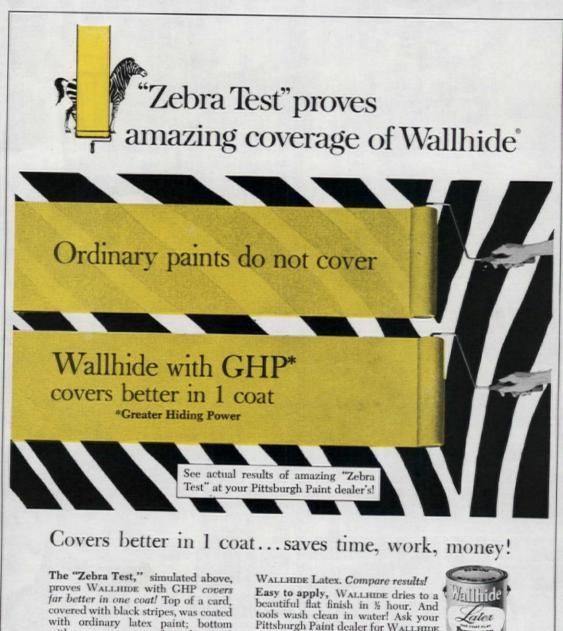
Having become enthusiastic members of the auction world jet set, we've encouraged friends and relatives to join the fun. It has become a weekend ritual to lead caravans of friends who follow us in half-empty cars, which they hope to fill by the late afternoon.

One of our friends has practically refurnished his home with auction treasures. His latest purchase was a Victorian couch which he gleaned for a mere \$40. Thrilled about his bargain, he insisted we come to his house on the day of its delivery. The movers, upon arriving at the front door, found the couch too large to move in. Several hours later, sitting in the living room, we resolved how to replace the bowed window through which the \$40 tufted beauty had made its awkward entrance.

But, where could you find so much Saturday entertainment for so little? Discounting the occasional

frustration of being outbid, wouldn't you enjoy bargain searching in Pennsylvania Dutchland, New England, Manhattan, or anywhere the auction sign swings invitingly?

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would extinguish the flame and light another taper. This continued until one candle did completely burn down. This plan allowed buyers adequate time to decide on their next bids. In selling by candle, the auctioneer would sometimes time the bidding only one large candle.

The Dutch auction finds its origin, not in the Netherlands, but in the market places of the early empires. The auctioneer in this case would propose a certain high amount to the buyers. If the item or person was not bid for at that price, the auctioneer would

purchase, and only after the ceremony would he get full possession of the girl.

Other techniques of selling have also been recorded, including that of using a sandglass to time the length of bidding and that of ending a sale when a running boy reached his goal. These, however, seem less fair to the buyer than that of sale by candle. Today, most auctioneers use a hammer fall to end a sale, although the tobacco auctioneer uses a hand clap.

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about an inch across in white, pink, or rose. The plants grow from large bulbs which you can pot in April in a terrestrial compost. Place them outside as soon as the weather permits (55° minimum at night), and water them heavily during the hot summer months. When growth has finished in October or earlier, allow them to dry

out somewhat and bring them indoors. Flower spikes usually appear in November or December and you can resume watering then. At that time, the plants will probably lose their leaves. Calanthes bloom in midwinter and the flowers are extremely long lasting. After the plants have finished flowering, dry them out completely and store at 60° in a dark place until it's time to repot them the following spring.

The coelogyne family (13 on page 54) offers C. ochracea, with small white and orange flowers; C. massangeana, a larger plant; and C. dayana, a medium-size plant with ocher and creamy brown, almost coffee-colored flowers. During the autumn and winter months, keep plants moderately moist and place them in a west or north exposure. On the patio place them under large shrubs or small trees with dappled sunlight. C. massangeana and C. dayana with 20 or 30 flowers to a scape are dazzling in hanging baskets or placed on ledges. The coelogynes are among the loveliest of the summer bloomers.

The dendrobium orchids produce perhaps the most handsome flowers of the commonly cultivated varieties. They are delicate and beautiful. Dendrobium dalhousieanum, D. fimbriatum, D. moschatum (3), D. pierardi, thyrsiflorum, and wardianum are all worth-while plants that will respond wonderfully to outdoor growing in almost full sun

with plenty of water. Some are deciduous and will lose their leaves while others keep their foliage. They bloom from new as well as old growths. Dry the plants out severely when growth stops in late September. You can leave them on the patio until the weather is in the forties but take them indoors around late November. Keep them at about 60° and resume watering when flower nodes appear. The abundance of flowers and variety of color—from orange and beige to golden yellow—will amaze you in early spring. For

proper flowering, however, these dendrobiums must have a temperature change. In year-round warm climates, keep them as cool as possible in late fall and give them more heat later on.

Laelias are sun-loving orchids with two species—L. crispa and L. autumnalis—particularly good plants. They produce handsome, large rose or white flowers in summer or autumn. Keep them at a south or east window aromatica (11) and L. cruenta with two-inch yellow blooms, and L. deppei (8) and L. skinneri with large six-inch flowers make fine plants when grown outside during the summer months and moved indoors for winter flowering. When indoors, keep them rather dry for they are almost dormant during the cold months after blooming and will generally shed their foliage. In early spring, you can place them

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with plenty of water when in growth. L. superbiens is an excellent patio or terrace plant. It's fairly large, from three to four feet tall, with five- to six-foot flower spikes crowned with large rose-purple blooms. This one is dramatic in a corner of the patio or atrium—wherever mass is needed. Take it inside when temperatures drop below 52° and dry it out somewhat to encourage the flower spike. It will bloom in winter.

Lycastes are excellent indoor plants that will need filtered sunlight. L.

outdoors and resume watering. They are medium-size plants that grow from 24 to 36 inches tall.

The oncidiums are spray-type orchids that are perfectly suited for patio or atrium culture. Oncidium leucochilum, O. microchilum, sarcodes, splendidum, and wentworthianum have long, erect branches sometimes six feet high crowded with hundreds of one-inch flowers in brown and yellow. Grow them indoors at a south window and water heavily during growth. Outside, place them at ground

level on bricks or wood slats. They are superb wherever vertical accent is needed. The yellow color of the flowers, characteristic of oncidiums, is extremely vivid and cheerful outdoors, on the patio, or in the atrium.

Phaius orchids (maculatus, tankervilliae, or grandifolius) can be grown indoors, but will respond much better with some outdoor growing. P. tankervilliae is a large, graceful plant with

especially handsome foliage. The tapered dark green leaves are about 48" long and extremely decorative on the terrace. P. maculatus is smaller, with dark green leaves spotted yellow. The blooms are large (three to four inches) and produced in spring. Grow phaius orchids in a good terrestrial compost, in rather large pots. Water heavily while they're growing outdoors. They are sometimes deciduous and will probably lose their leaves the second year.

The orchids in the vanda group have large flowers about three to four inches across, in pink, rose, lavender, or pale blue. Although not really suited for indoor growing, Vanda caerulea (15), V. suavis, and V. teres will survive the winter months provided they have a summer outdoors in full sunshine. Vandas are not particularly handsome as foliage plants and sometimes grow awkwardly large. But a healthy plant may produce one magnificent flower spike after another and thus bloom continuously for months. There are as many as 20 to 30 blooms to each spike! Water the vandas heavily while they're outside, and give them additional fertilizer (10-10-5). Flowering is variable, usually in summer and fall.

An orchid that is very easy to grow is Brassavola nodosa—known as "the lady of the night." It's a small plant with large, scalloped white flowers and a delightful fragrance that perfumes the entire

growing area at night. Give it lots of water and sunshine and it will bloom prolifically—indoors or on the terrace.

Where temperate conditions prevail all year long, you can grow orchids from the arachnis, angraecum, brassia, saccolabium, and tall-growing renanthera groups. They are mostly large plants, suitable for terraces, patios, and atriums, and richly rewarding, for they are very floriferous. Give them four hours of sunshine daily and warm temperatures. They'll be a constant source of delight. THE END



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Whatever style base you choose, vase shape, candlestick, oil lamp, figurine, or column, a simple shade is preferred. Examples here show the relative importance of style, height, and shape to the furniture it serves and to the over-all decoration.

Antique-finished lamp with parchment shade, lights and decorates a dark foyer. The lamp, harmonizing with the rich tones of a wood chest, nicely fills the space between wall cupboard and pictures.

A table would be in the way between door and fireplace, but this floor lamp fits in with ease. It has a fluted and tapered stand with triangular base. The simple off-white shade is just right for the room's classic details. Lamp is placed to throw light over the left shoulder for reading.

This smart little brass candelabra with black tole shade illuminates a writing area without overpowering the desk. The simple but graceful design adds a French touch to the dramatic pattern on the walls. A desk lamp does not have to be as tall as other types of lamps in the room.

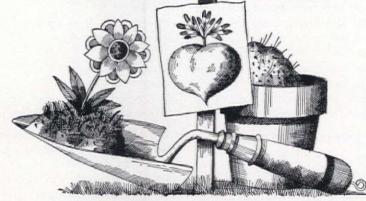






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IN YOUR GARDEN



Some common plant pests and how to control them

Despite the controversy that still simmers over pesticides, the fact remains that you're not likely to have healthy, robust plants without pest control. Although most pesticides can be harmful to humans and animals, they are relatively safe if used at the manufacturer's recommended rates of application and if the precautions printed on package labels are followed. This month we'll discuss the most common plant pests along with their suggested controls. Acquaint yourself with them so you will be able to use pesticides more intelligently.

You'll often find aphids-small, soft-bodied insects-attacking the tender growing stems and leaves of many ornamentals. You'll probably see them on roses, annuals, mums, crapemyrtles, gardenias, and other plants. Repeated applications of rotenone, lindane, or malathion are necessary for adequate control.

Ants frequently infest lawns and are commonly found on the sticky buds of peonies and other plants. Chlordane, dieldrin, or heptachlor will give control for several years.

Lacebugs are small insects that feed on the undersides of leaves. They have black bodies and colored or variegated wings. A common pest of azaleas and pyracanthas, they cause upper leaf surfaces to turn light green or yellow and eventually brown. The underside of the leaf will also show evidence of insect damage. Malathion or lindane will give good control. Make two applications seven to ten days apart on the under surfaces of the leaves. A new insecticide called Zectran will be available in several areas of the Southeast this season and has given control with one treatment.

Spider mites or red spider are very small pests also found on the underside of foliage. Heavy infestation of mites will result in discoloration of 'leaves. The pest is frequently found on roses, azaleas, and Japanese hollies, among others, Since mites have been noted to develop resistance to insecticides, alternate spraying with different materials. Malathion, kelthane, and trithion all give good control when applied to the underside of foliage. Generally, three applications five to seven days apart are necessary to eliminate mites.

Thrips are very small, pale-colored insects that are common on rose flowers, chrysanthemums, gladiolus, and other plants. Heavy infestations are difficult to control, but frequent dusting with malathion, DDT, or lindane is generally better than a spray. Start dusting roses in early spring before buds open.

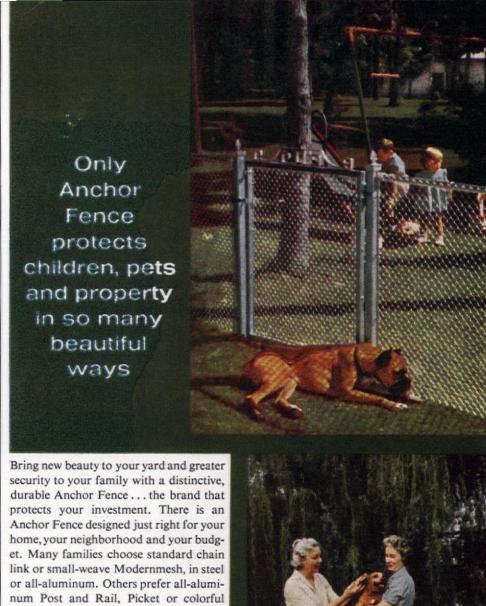
Scale insects of various species attack a wide variety of ornamental plants, among them camellias and hollies. Scale is generally found on the undersides of leaves but may also be present on stems. Dormant oil sprays are the best control but should not be applied during summer. Use them only in the fall or late winter when temperatures are between 40° and 80°. Malathion applied frequently will control scale insects when they're in the "crawler" stage. For camellias and many other plants, a new systemic insecticide called Cygon can be applied as a spray or soil drench.

Chinch bug is a small, dark insect that attacks lawn grass-especially St. Augustine. The best controls are DDT, diazinon, trithion, and ethion. If you use any of them as a spray, irrigate the lawn well before applying the pesticide. If you apply the chemical in dust or granular form, wet the grass thoroughly after treatment.

White fly is a small white insect that may appear in large numbers on gardenias and other broadleaf evergreens. A black sooty fungus is usually associated with the presence of white fly. If you eliminate the insect, the fungus too will disappear. The immature forms of white fly, small scalelike insects, can be found on the undersides of leaves. Repeated applications-10 days apart-of DDT or malathion will keep them under control in your garden.

Mildew is a common fungus disease of roses, crapemyrtles, and many annuals, especially zinnias. It generally appears in the form of a grayish cast on the leaves in the early spring and late summer. Applications of Karathane or Mildex will eliminate it.

For most efficient control of insect pests, keep your sprayer and duster in good working condition and don't apply pesticides haphazardly. Learn to recognize pests and use the proper pesticides with caution.



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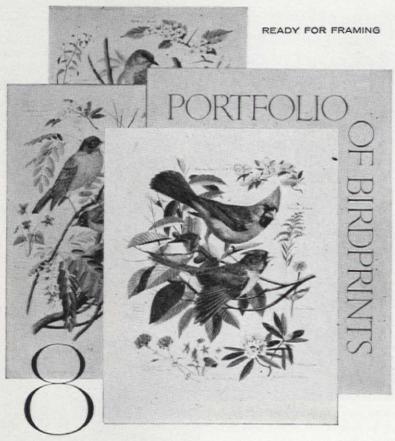




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From Hong Kong to Houston, people the world over have one great love in common. Rice! Look at the countless ways we use rice every day! It may be served as a vegetable, main dish, or glamorous dessert. Here are some spanking new recipes to give you a change of pace. Try them next time you reach for the rice!

APRICOT-RICE MERINGUE

Cooking time: 30 min. Baking time: 12-15 min.

1 c. long grain rice

1 qt. scalded milk

½ c. sugar

½ tsp. salt

1 tsp. vanilla ½ tsp. mace

1 tbs. butter or margarine

3 egg yolks

2 tbs. milk

1/3 c. toasted slivered almonds

1 can (1 lb. 13 oz.) whole apricots, drained and pitted

3 egg whites

1/4 tsp. cream of tartar

1/4 tsp. salt

6 tbs. sugar

Cover rice with cold water; bring to boiling: let stand 5 minutes: drain. Combine rice, 1 quart milk, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, vanilla, mace, and butter or margarine. Cover; simmer 30 minutes. Combine egg yolks and 2 tablespoons milk; add to rice mixture stirring quickly. Add almonds. Pour pudding into buttered 2-quart casserole. Let stand 5 minutes. Arrange apricots over top. Beat erg whites, cream of tartar, and 1/4 teaspoon salt until fluffy. Gradually add 6 tablespoons sugar; beat until stiff peaks form. Swirl meringue on top of pudding. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 12 to 15 minutes or until meringue is browned. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

CURRIED CHICKEN SALAD

Preparation time: 20 min. Chilling time: 2 hrs.

11/4 c. mayonnaise or salad dressing

1½ tsp. curry powder

1 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. black pepper

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ tbs. lemon juice

2 c. cooked rice

2 c. cooked, diced chicken

1 c. diced celery

1/3 c. sliced green onions

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. cooked peas

2 tbs. diced pimiento

Combine mayonnaise or salad dressing, curry powder, salt, pepper, and lemon juice. Add rice, chicken, celery, green onions, peas, and pimiento; mix well. Chill. Makes 6 servings.

RICE AND PEAS ROMANO

Preparation time: 20 min. Cooking time: 20 min.

3 slices bacon

½ c. finely chopped onion

3/4 c. condensed consommé

3/4 c. water

1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen peas

2 tbs. chopped parsley

½ tsp. salt

1/8 tsp. black pepper

1/4 tsp. thyme

11/2 c. precooked packaged rice

3 tbs. grated Parmesan cheese

Cook bacon until crisp; remove and crumble. Sauté onion in bacon drippings. Add consommé, water, peas, parsley, salt, pepper, and thyme. Cover; simmer 3 minutes. Add rice; mix well; cover; set aside for 10 minutes. Add cheese and bacon; mix well. Makes 6 servings.

JAMBALAYA

Preparation time: 25 min. Cooking time: 40 min.

½ c. chopped onion

1 clove of garlic, mashed

1/4 c. diced green pepper

2 tbs. salad oil

3 medium tomatoes, peeled, seeded, and chopped

2 c. chicken broth

3/4 c. long grain rice

1 small bay leaf

½ tsp. chili powder

1/8 tsp. cloves

 $\frac{1}{8}$ tsp. thyme

1 tsp. salt
Dash of cayenne

1 lb. shrimp, shelled and deveined

1 c. diced cooked ham

Sauté onions, garlic, and green pepper in oil until tender. Add tomatoes, chicken broth, rice, bay leaf, chili powder, cloves, thyme, salt, and cayenne. Cover tightly; simmer 20 minutes. Add shrimp and ham; simmer 10 minutes longer. Makes 6 servings.

FRUITED RICE RING

Preparation time: 25 min. Chilling time: several hrs.

3/4 c. candied mixed fruit

2 tbs. brandy or 1 tsp. almond extract

1 envelope unflavored gelatin

1/4 c. cold water

2 c. scalded milk

2 eggs, slightly beaten

½ c. sugar

1 tsp. vanilla

2 c. cooked rice

1/2 c. heavy cream, whipped

Marinate fruit in brandy or almond extract. Soak gelatin in water. Add scalded milk to eggs, mixing quickly; add sugar. Cook over low heat stirring constantly until custard coats spoon. Remove from heat; add gelatin and vanilla, mixing well. Chill until custard sauce begins to thicken and jell. Fold in candied fruit, rice, and whipped cream. Pour pudding into 8-inch (5-cup) buttered ring mold. Chill until firm. Unmold and serve with additional whipped cream, if desired. Makes 6 servings.



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Equally important, beans are the prime ingredient in more delicious recipes than you can think of. They can be used in the simplest or fanciest of dishes. Try them sweet or sour, hot or cold. Here are just a few suggestions for you to enjoy.

BEAN SUPPER SALAD

Preparation time: 20 min. Chilling time: several hrs.

1 c. diced celery ½ c. sliced green onions 1/3 c. chopped green pepper 1/4 c. pickle relish ½ c. cubed Cheddar or American

1 can (12 oz.) luncheon meat, cubed 1/3 c. tart French dressing

1 can (1 lb.) beans in tomato sauce

Combine celery, onion, green pepper, pickle relish, cheese, luncheon meat, and French dressing. Add beans; mix well. Chill. Makes 6 servings.

BAKED PORK CHOPS AND BEANS

Preparation time: 20 min. Baking time: 1 hr. 15 min.

6 pork chops

Salt Pepper 2 cans (1 lb. ea.) pork and beans 2 tbs. brown sugar 2 tbs. prepared mustard ½ c. raisins 1 can (83/4 oz.) pineapple tidbits, drained

Brown chops; season with salt and pepper. Combine pork and beans, brown sugar, mustard, raisins, and pineapple. Pour bean mixture into 9-inch square pan or shallow 2-quart casserole; arrange pork chops on top of beans; cover. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 1 hour. Remove cover and bake 15 minutes longer. Makes 6 servings.

KIDNEY BEAN CASSEROLE

Preparation time: 20 min. Baking time: 30 min.

1 c. thinly sliced onion 1 clove of garlic, crushed ½ c. chopped green pepper 3 tbs. butter or margarine 11/2 lbs. ground beef 1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce 1 can (6 oz.) tomato paste

1 c. red wine 11/2 tsp. salt 1/4 tsp. black pepper 2 cans (1 lb., 4 oz.) kidney beans, drained 3 tbs. grated Parmesan cheese

Sauté onion, garlic, and green pepper in butter or margarine until tender; add beef; cook until lightly browned. Stir in tomato sauce, tomato paste, wine, salt, and pepper; simmer 15 minutes. Add kidney beans; pour into greased 21/2-quart casserole; sprinkle with cheese. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 30 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

GOURMET BLACK BEANS

Preparation time: 20 min. Baking time: 1 hr. 15 min.

1 lb. dried black beans 5 bouillon cubes 2 qts. hot water 1 c. chopped onion 1 c. chopped celery and leaves 1 tbs. chopped parsley 4 tbs. butter or margarine 1/4 c. dark rum 1 tsp. basil 1/4 tsp. black pepper

Dairy sour cream

Wash beans well; soak overnight in water to cover; drain. Dissolve bouillon cubes in hot water, add beans; cover; simmer about 1 hour, or until tender. Drain, reserving 11/2 cups bean broth. Sauté onion, celery, and parsley in butter or margarine 5 minutes. Add reserved 1½ cups bean broth, rum, basil, pepper, and black beans. Bake in greased, covered 2quart casserole in moderate oven (350° F.) 1 hour. Remove cover; bake 15 minutes longer. Serve hot or cold with sour cream. Makes 6 to 8

CARAMEL BAKED BEANS

Preparation time: 10 min. Baking time: 2 hrs.

1 lb. dried lima beans 1 tsp. salt 1 c. brown sugar, firmly packed 1/4 c. butter or margarine

Wash beans well; soak beans overnight in water to cover. Drain; add fresh water to cover; add salt. Cover; simmer about 1 hour, or until beans are tender. Drain, reserving 1 cup of bean broth. Combine 1 cup bean broth, brown sugar, and butter or margarine. Place beans in 2-quart casserole; pour sugar mixture over beans. Cover; bake in slow oven (325° F.) 2 hours. Uncover last 30 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

BIIDGETING FOR UNEXPECTED NEW-HOME **EXPENSES**

There's excitement in the air when you move into your first home from an apartment. Even though moving day is exhausting, getting settled should be fun.

This is the time, too, when money should not be a problem. You've saved, figured, and worried long enough to enjoy a smooth start at your new address. But will you? If you've planned your budget to include more than the down payment, closing costs, and moving expenses, you will. Otherwise, you may be due for some rough sledding ahead.

For instance, have you planned for screens and storm windows, curtain and drapery hardware, garden tools, garbage cans, door mats, or a mailbox? These items could run as high as \$2000 or as low as \$500. Whatever the cost, the first few months in your new house will be a breeze if you set money aside for them now. According to a survey sponsored by The American Home of first-time home buyers, you'll need to budget:

- 1. Three per cent of your home's purchase price to cover minimum costs for equipment.
- 2. Five per cent of the purchase price to provide a comfortable margin.
- 3. Ten per cent of the house price to get the best of everything for your new home.

Below is a list of items you'll probably have to buy to put your house in working order. Since frequent variations occur around the country, range of costs is approximate, but accurate enough to help make a rough budget. And, take it from home owners who have already faced the problemsome budget (any budget) is better than none!

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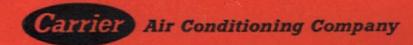
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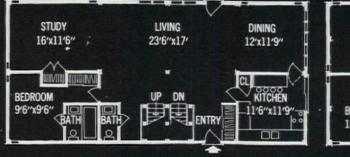
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WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT YOUR NEW HOUSE

It's sobering to consider that many people buy their new house with less basic information about its construction and maintenance than they would find printed on the label of any readyto-wear garment they buy off the rack in any department store.

The label clearly specifies the style, size, color, lot, stock number, fiber content, recommended care, and the manufacturer. What comes with a house is often hardly more than the

deed and a mortgage, which is little enough considering the size of the investment and its importance.

Usually the buyer is anxious to move in and thinks the prebuying inspection is all the preparation that is necessary. Later, he may wish he had asked for more information as he discovers that a house is not as easily replaced or repaired as the garment that, for lack of information, was ruined by laundering instead of dry cleaning.

Buyers of custom houses are in a better position to get this information when they are watching the house being built and consulting on materials and colors to be used, or even in purchasing the house after it has been completed, but while the builder is still in the vicinity.

But the buyer of a new house will have less use for the information than the owner of a "used home" who is likely to get involved in major or minor changes, additions, alterations, and repairs to make the house suit his needs. As the home passes from owner to owner, the source of indispensable information for these home-improvement projects becomes more and more remote, until it's almost impossible to track it down.

Having this basic information at hand at the beginning of a project can save grief later on, when it is discovered that the kitchen wall where you planned to install a pass-through to the dining room is full of hidden pipes. You have a choice of replastering and trying to match the paint to hide your mistake or you can get involved in relocating the plumbing. An ounce of advance information is worth more than a pound of hindsight.

By using the convenient listing in this article, you can definitely save time—and probably save some money, too—when you set out on a project.

And the list will be useful to a new owner if sometime in the future you decide to sell. Aside from the obvious utility of having the list for his own improvement projects, it can also give him a certain confidence that he is not buying a pig in a poke.

Here, then, are the ten most useful areas for you to begin your investigation of the house you live in—or are planning to live in. If you assemble all this information, you can be fairly certain that you won't come up against hidden pitfalls later on.

1. Location of underground service pipes. The information can be indicated on a simple diagram showing location of pipes, catch basins, connections to municipal mains, sanitary sewers, and storm drains. This simple precaution will prevent having to dig up your carefully nurtured lawn if you ever need to install more catch basins and tie in additional drainage with the existing underground facilities.

2. Location of underground wiring service, if any. Information to be indicated on a simple plan showing the wiring for outdoor lighting, detached garage lighting, garden and pool lights, etc. If any changes are made in the driveway or landscaping, or if a new tree is planted, you want to avoid accidentally ripping up wiring and adding an unexpected electrical repair bill to the expenses you had planned on.

3. Plumbing diagram. Should show all pipe runs and connections concealed in walls and beneath floors. This will facilitate alterations and repairs and also avoid costly damage to hidden pipes. People have been known to drill into water pipes when adding shelves to the kitchen wall.



4. Name of kitchen-cabinet contractor or name of cabinet manufacturer; style number and finish of racine's and counter surfaces. Will simplify matching old and new if you decide to add more cabinets at a later date. This is much easier than getting only a near-match and having to paint both old and new to avoid a patchy look.

5. Schedule of standard millwork items, listing catalogue style number, other identifying information for doors, windows, any prefinished paneling or molding used, and name of local supplier. In case you make any additions or changes, the old woodwork will match the new. Trying to match woods and then going through the same process of collecting samples and brochures to track down a match for the wood finish can be annoying and time-consuming.

6. Schedule of paints and stains, listing all ready-mixed commercial brands used. You never know when you will want to do a touch-up job. Since manufacturers occasionally discontinue some colors, it may be wise to purchase, in advance, any materials which require matching while they are still available. They may not be available by the time you get around to doing the job and then you'll be out of luck.

7. Schedule of bathroom finishes listing manufacturer, style number, and color of wall and floor tiling. Occasionally a tile loosens and falls off when a new house settles. You should, of course, know where to get a replacement.

8. Schedule of resilient floor coverings, listing manufacturer, style, and color number, and local distributor. Popular patterns can be easily replaced if damage occurs, but unusual styles or colors may require a lot of tracking down if you don't have the manufacturer's description at hand.

9. Schedule of special hardware and light fixtures, listing sources for replacing parts. If you don't know where to get a replacement, you may be forced to junk the "almost useful" item and replace the whole thing. Advance knowledge easily prevents this needless expense. Be especially wary if the operation of anything depends on small, easily broken parts, as sliding door rollers, ceiling light fixtures, recessed light lens, etc.

10. Name of manufacturer, model number, serial number, for every item of mechanical equipment furnished with the house or installed by the builder; all guarantee papers, operating and maintenance manuals provided by the manufacturer, and name of service agent for each. Include in the above the furnace, water heater, wall oven, range, exhaust fan, dishwasher, garbage disposal unit, etc. This is especially important for new owners who have previously lived in apartments where all utility service and repair was provided by the owner of the building.

Often a little neglect results in enormous repair bills that extend to other furnishings that are damaged. For instance, if furnace filters are not cleaned at frequent intervals, the fuel bills increase and a dark greasy deposit forms on walls, carpet, curtains, and furniture. Fuel bills go down when the filter is replaced, but the owner still has the cleaning and repainting to take care of. This shouldn't happen: all manufacturers include operating manuals with mechanical equipment. Carelessly discarding it can be maddening if you're on the wrong end of the repair bill. Unfor-

tunately, this last bit of information may be more difficult to locate, since it could have been discarded anywhere along the line without your knowledge. The workmen who installed the equipment may not have bothered to keep all the pamphlets that were provided with it. Or the first owner may have discarded them as soon as he saw the equipment was working properly or as soon as the original guarantee expired. Make sure

you keep all papers for any equipment you is tall. We provide this list as a guide to

We provide this list as a guide to good household management. By gathering the information, you can avoid the high cost of negligence and oversight. Collect it before you need it. If you wait till you need the information, it may be unavailable at a crucial time or turn up too late. Don't take chances with unnecessary bills.



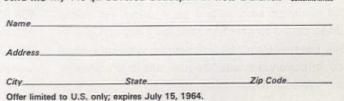
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Q—We've just added a new randomwidth pine floor in a hallway of our home. I'd like to know how to finish it so that it matches the dark brown stain color of the floors in the rest of the house.—Miss L.P., Wisconsin.

A—Whatever the color you desire, the method used to do this job isn't difficult although an exact duplication will be hard to obtain. The stain on the older floors of your home may be worn off to a degree, because of usage. However, I wouldn't be too concerned about this. You can get almost an exact match by being patient—and none but the most critical eye will notice the difference.

Buy a floor stain that you believe is close to the color of the existing stained floors. One way of determining this is to try the various stains out on a small piece of wood.



If you have a scrap piece of the pine used in your new floor, bring it with you to the store. If your dealer is like most other dealers—co-operative—he'll brush some of the stain you select onto the scrap wood. You can then take it home and compare it with the color of the floors. Don't do this with other than the same type of wood you intend to stain, since all woods absorb stain in a different manner giving different results.

If it isn't an exact match, buy a stain that's a trifle lighter. Don't buy one that's darker.

Before applying the stain, examine the floor carefully. Since it is new you probably won't have to undertake a sanding operation. If, however, you wanted to restain an old floor or one that has nicks and rough spots in it, sanding the floor with a power sander would be necessary.

Apply one coat of the stain and let it dry overnight. Check its color with the floors in the rest of your home. If it's not dark enough apply another coat and let that dry overnight. Keep doing this until the color is as dark, or nearly as dark, as the color of the other floors.

After the final coat of stain has dried, you should scuff it up a bit by rubbing it with some steel wool. Stain has a way of "raising" the wood grain, making it stand out. This might be acceptable or objectionable, depending on individual taste. If objection-

able, the steel wool application will subdue the grain so it isn't prominent.

The final operation is to apply a finish coat to the floor. You can use a floor varnish with a high gloss or satin finish. Let this dry overnight and then apply a coating of paste or liquid floor wax.

Q—I just bought a home in which the bedrooms are finished with gypsum wallboard and wallpaper. I'd like to get rid of this paper and just repaint the wallboard. I've read many articles on how to do this job and all seem to suggest the same method, which sounds rather tedious. Is there an easy way?—J.S.B., Virginia.

A—The usual method of sponging and scraping wallpaper off *is* tedious and can also be harmful to the gypsum wallboard if you should happen to make a slip. Unfortunately, this is about the best method you can use unless you can rent a wallpaper steamer. Its steam softens the glue beneath the paper to a point where all you have to do is simply lift the paper off the wall. It eliminates the danger of nicking the wallboard with a scraping knife.

Wallpaper steamers can usually be rented from hardware or paint and wallpaper stores.

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use too much water, otherwise it will penetrate the paper surface of the wallboard as well as the wallpaper. If this surface paper is soaked too much, it can begin to loosen and the wallboard finish will be damaged.

When the wallpaper glue has softened, scrape the paper off the wall carefully with a putty knife, doing one small section at a time. If the wallboard is gashed, you will have to spackle it to renew the finish. Only time, patience, and care will produce a satisfactory job.

Q-The floor just inside our front door is common brick-the kind with the rough surface. Although our contractor applied a coat of sealer when the floor was installed, dirt has been ground into its pores and the brick is beginning to look drab. How can I clean it and then renew its appearance?-N.M.B., Virginia.

A-If washing the brick with a strong detergent won't work, try cleaning it with the gritty hand-cleaning solvent used by automobile mechanics. This can be purchased in a local auto-parts supply store and in many gasoline stations. You also need a bucket of water and some steel wool.

Wet the steel wool, apply some solvent to it, and then rub the brick until the dirt and drabness disappear.

Once the brick is cleaned, its color can be restored by brushing on a coating of raw linseed oil. Let the oil dry and then apply a thin coat of liquid floor wax, dabbing up the excess that settles into the roughened surface. The wax tends to protect the brick, keeping it clean for a maximum length of time. However, no product yet developed will keep brick clean indefinitely, so this operation will have to be made a part of your household cleaning. Once the groundin dirt has been removed, it will be an easier process to maintain the brick in proper condition. THE END

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How to Judge a School System

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which high schools provide collegelevel courses for their best students-"the most promising thing that has happened in American education in years." One reason for this accolade is that the program improves teaching and courses not only in high school but also in the lower grades.

For instance, at Brooklyn's Midwood High School when the AP course in English was started some years ago, 80 per cent of the class flunked the exam because of poor composition. The faculty was so shocked that it launched a program, not just in the senior class but in all three grades, to improve matters. Soon the junior high schools from which Midwood draws were being encouraged to do the same thing. In recent years, as a result, 90 per cent of Midwood's AP candidates have been passing the English finals.

Unfortunately, for one poor reason or another, many high schools still do not offer Advanced Placement or comparable honors courses. But most of the "great" schools do. For example last year 156 students in Evanston (Illinois) High School took AP examinations in 11 subjects. Ninety-eight students in Walnut Hills High School, Cincinnati, took exams in ten subjects. Sixty-five students in Newton High School, Newtonville, Massachusetts, took exams in six subjects.

There are other questions which you might ask about a school system:

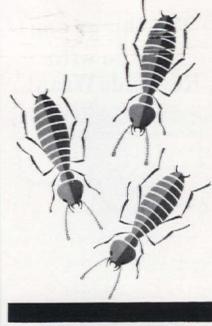
Does it provide an individualized program for each student? All authorities agree that this is an extremely important question; but happily, most modern school systems can answer ves.

How extensive is the foreign language program? Language needn't be taught in grade school, but a high school student should be able to get three or four years of a language.

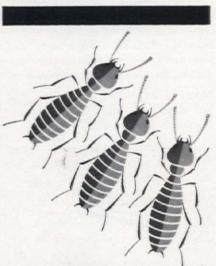
How much time is devoted to English composition? Conant believes that in the last four years of school, half the total time devoted to English should be taken up with composition.

Does the school system encourage and enable teachers to take summer refresher courses and year-long sabbaticals in order to broaden their knowledge of the subjects they teach? For instance, has any local high-school teacher even applied for a full-year John Hay Fellowship in the humanities? How many have participated in summer science workshops?

Questions such as these, however, help only to enlarge or sharpen the picture of a school system. If you have already received satisfactory answers to the questions previously posed, you can be sure that the school system under study can, and very probably will, do a first-class job of educating your children. THE END



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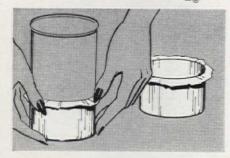
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TERMITES

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Although termite damage can be extensive and is widespread—it exists in every state of the union except Alaska—it is actually no cause for such alarm. Using modern methods and chemicals, combating termites is far easier than rumor would have it. Despite what you may have heard, termites can be controlled. Here's what you should know if you suspect a termite invasion of your home.

First of all, don't confuse the termite with the common winged ant. They seem similar at first glance but you can tell them apart. Ants have wings of unequal length, a pinched-in waistline and are usually brown, red, or yellow in body color. Termites have a dark brown or black straight body and wings of equal length.

The most obvious sign of termite infestation is the appearance, during the spring months, of a swarm of these insects near the house. These winged termites emerge every spring from existing colonies in the ground, or infested areas of the house, to search out new feeding grounds. Wherever they settle, they shed their wings and establish new colonies. Even if you should see these termites swarming about, don't panic. Serious termite damage, if you have it, takes years to develop, not weeks or months.

You can detect the presence of termites in two other ways. A close inspection of the foundation on the outside, or inside the crawl space or basement, may reveal pencil-shaped tunnels extending from the ground up to the sill or other wood parts. Subterranean termites require contact with damp soil in order to survive and build their nests. They use these tunnels as highways to their source of food which is wood. Once they get to the wood, they burrow inside it, gradually eating away the interior. The voids they leave weaken the lumber and, in advanced stages, the wood member may become a hollow shell.

The absence of tunnels is not always an indication of the absence of termites. Often, the termites gain access to the house by means of wood steps, wood posts, or other wood parts that are in direct contact with the ground. As a further check for termites, prod the sills and other wood members close to the ground with an ice pick or other pointed tool. If termites have done their work, the pick will reveal voids beneath the surface.

If you detect the presence of ter-

mites, call in several termite-control contractors for their opinions and estimates. Modern methods of control will prevent the return of termites to the ground and block further invasion from the ground for a period of three to six years. Repeated inspections and treatments, if necessary, are a part of the control program.

The proper treatment involves saturating the soil around the foundation, under floor slabs, and at every point where termites can enter, with chemicals that form a toxic barrier. Chlordane, Dieldrin, Lindane, and Aldrin, diluted in water or oil, are a few of the chemicals that are used. The water emulsion is not harmful to shrubs and plants but the oil is.

There are two methods of treating infested soil. The first is to dig a trench next to the foundation, all around the house, and saturate this trench with chemical. As the soil is replaced in the trench, it too should be saturated with the chemical. The second method involves the use of a long hollow probe and does not require trenching. The probe is inserted into the soil every six inches or so around the foundation and the chemical is injected under air pressure.

In severe cases it is necessary to get at the soil beneath concrete floors. Holes must be drilled through the slab so that the chemical can be injected into the soil. In addition, if the foundation wall is constructed of concrete block, holes are drilled into each line of blocks so that the chemical can be poured into the block cavities. Wood structural members, and occasionally sill and sole plates, are sometimes impregnated with the chemical. This is not a spray job. The chemical is injected under high pressure. The extent to which all of these precautions are taken will, of course, depend upon the degree of infestation. For this reason, it's a professional job and the selection of a reputable contractor to undertake the work is allimportant.

Charges by termite-control firms vary with the size and style of house and with the degree of infestation. Reliable operators inspect a house and quote a price that allows them to do all the necessary work (which might include setting wood supports on concrete pads, breaking ground contact on door frames, and replacing damaged structural members) and to use enough chemicals.

Reputable termite operators often guarantee their work, but it may take several years to determine whether treatment has been successful. And since no operator can guarantee that treatment will prevent further dam-



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age by termites, find out if the guarantee offers reinspections and additional treatments.

The house should be reinspected at regular intervals (usually a minimum of 12 months) so that soil can be retreated where termites have successfully breached the chemical barrier. This is a simple process.

One large nationally advertised termite-control service offers a protection plan that calls for annual inspection of the house, and treatment if necessary. This service contract includes responsibility for repairs and/or replacement of any termite damage to the home or its contents up to \$5000. Since no home can be made absolutely termiteproof, many home owners consider this a good buy.

Many used-home buyers now demand a termite-clearance certificate. Such certificates are issued by reputable termite-control firms after a thorough inspection of the building has found it free of termites. The inspection fee (about \$15) may be paid either by the buyer or by the seller.

The Fake Exterminator. Unfortunately, many home owners are bilked out of substantial sums each year by fake exterminators who use a variety of schemes to gain business. One home owner was approached by a representative of a termitecontrol company, who offered to make a free inspection after pointing out that many nearby houses had been infested. The man went under the house, returned shortly with a boardful of insects, and said the house was near collapse. He recommended immediate treatment, with the price depending on "the number of gallons of spray I have to use." The home owner gave him the go-ahead, and was swindled out of \$550. The spray was worthless. As noted above, ethical termite operators figure their charges on many factors. The least part of the charge is the cost of chemicals. Reputable operators also submit a written work proposal stating probable hidden damage, recommended structural alterations, and details of operations to be performed inside and outside the building.

You should also beware of the operator who promises to "exterminate" the termites. Reputable operators can control termites, that is, cut off their travel between soil and wood. Extermination is impossible. Termite nests are extensive and go deep into the soil. If the infested section is made uninhabitable to termites, they shift their attack to unprotected areas.

A note of caution: gyp operators often guarantee their work. So don't take this as a sure sign you are dealing with a reputable company.

Before signing anything, check on the firm's reputation by telephoning the local

Better Business Bureau, Chamber of Commerce, or county agricultural agent. Get estimates from other termite-control companies. Fake operators, of course, object to your checking on them or getting other estimates, so they exaggerate the damage and may lead you to believe your house will collapse immediately.

Even if your home is severely infested, you still have time to investigate the man who's to do the work.

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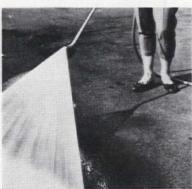
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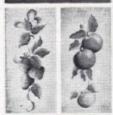
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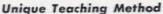
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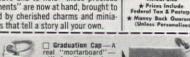
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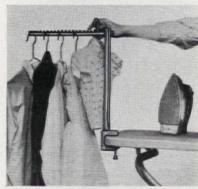
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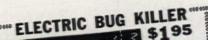




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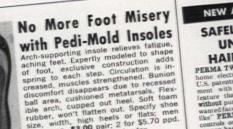


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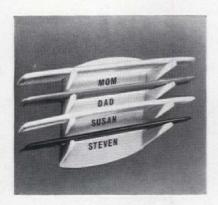


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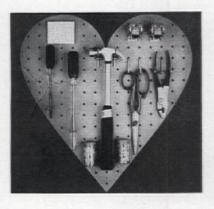
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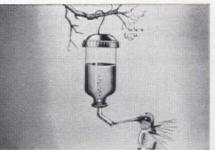
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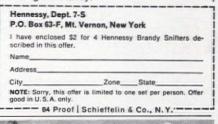


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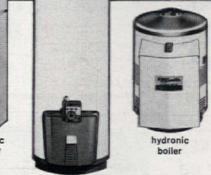


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