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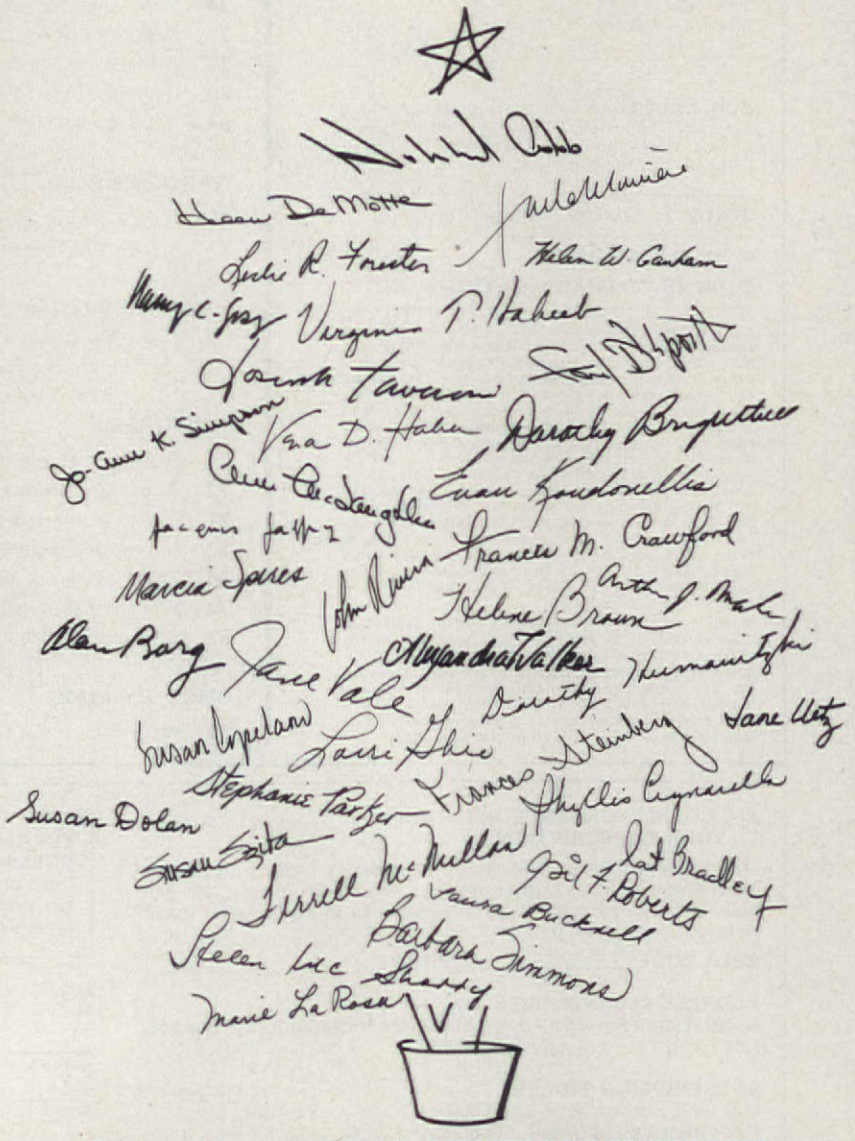

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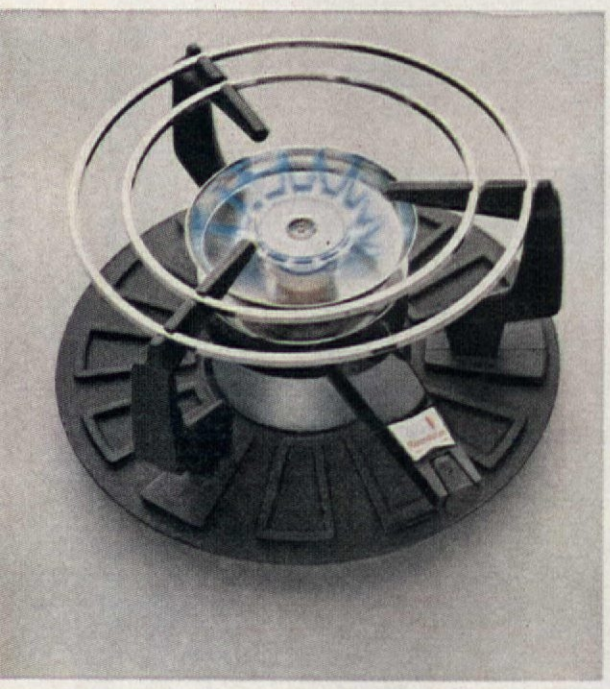

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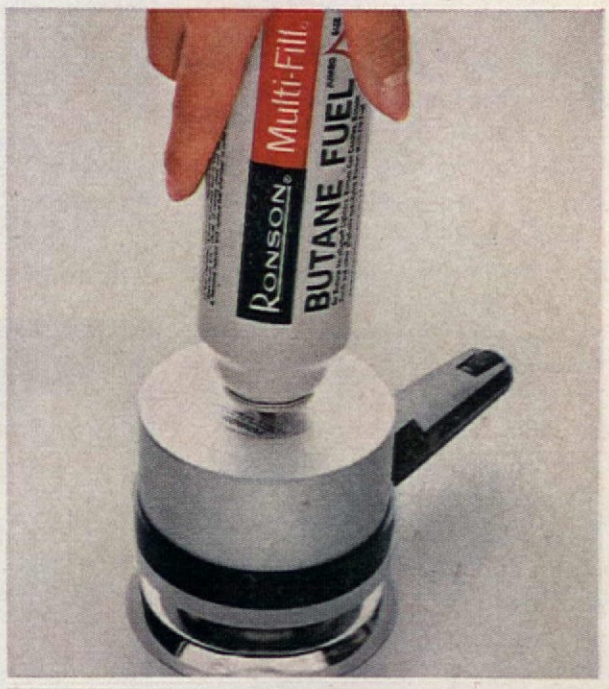

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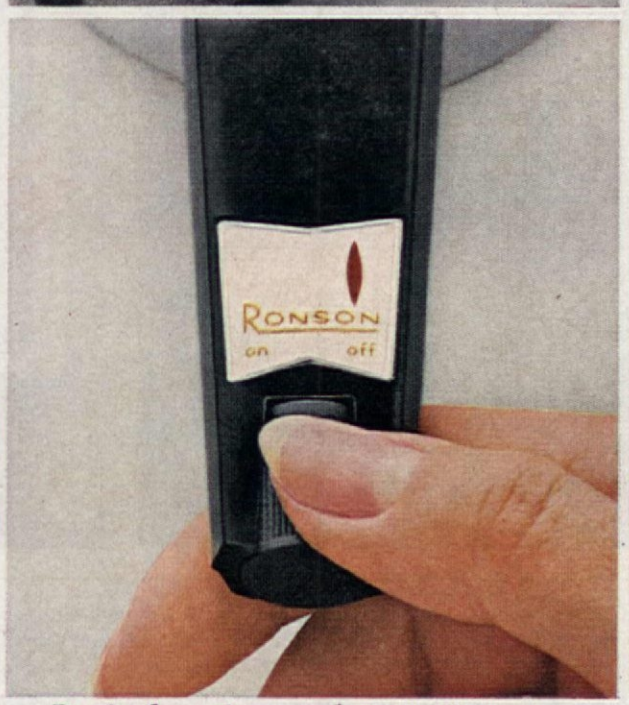

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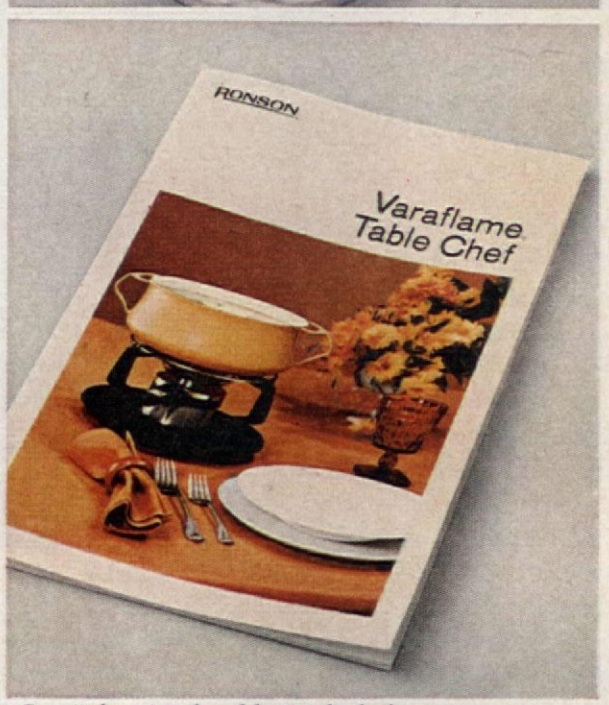

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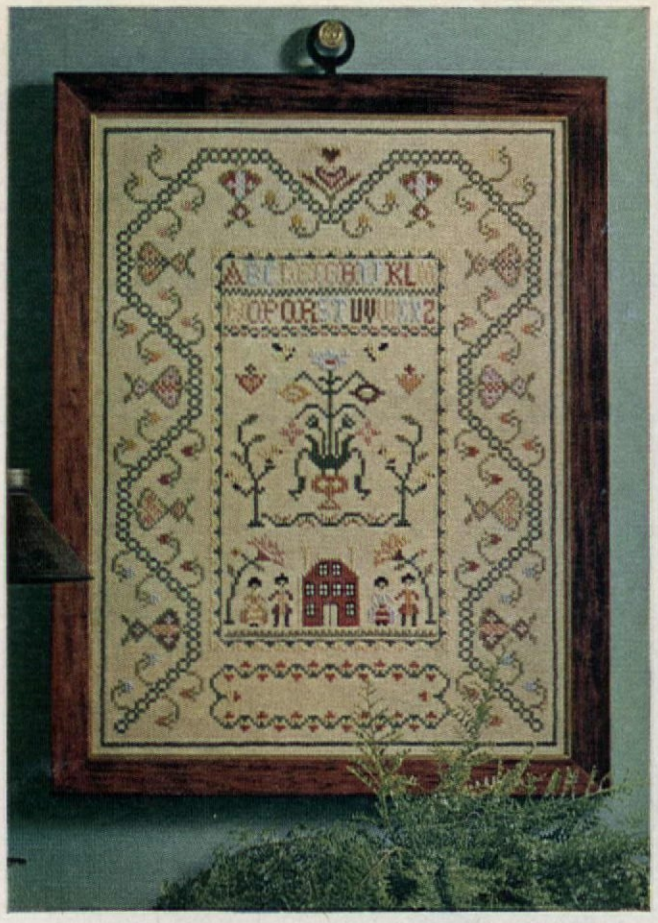

One of our readers' favorite samplers (top left) is copied from an old one in the Peter Cooper Museum collection. It dates back to the days when young girls demonstrated their skill as needlewomen by counting threads on a piece of linen from a chart for the design. You get similar results with less effort, for this design is stamped ready to cross-stitch. The pine-finished wood frame is 20 by 25¾ inches.
Sampler Kit PSK-26, price $3.00.
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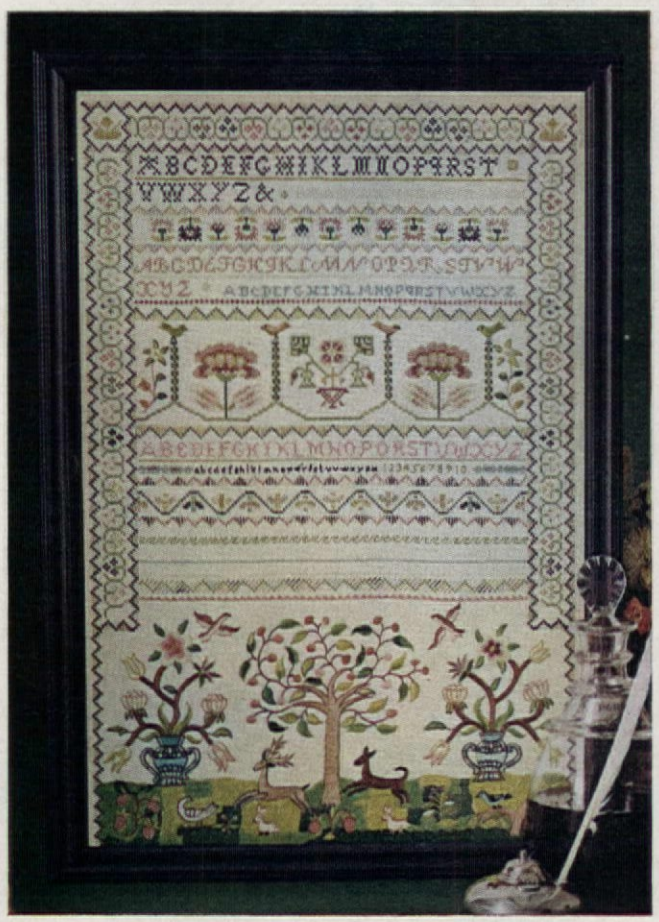

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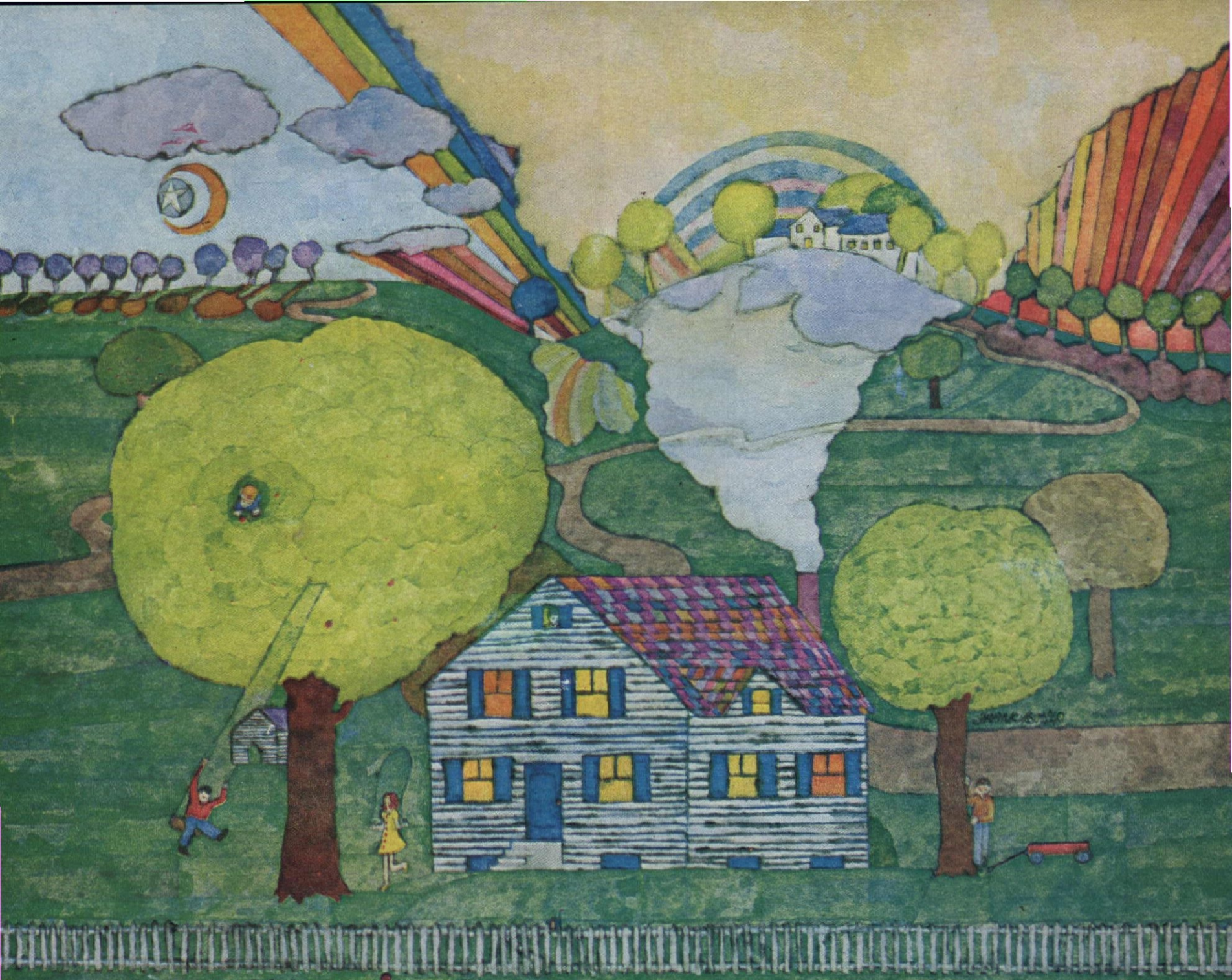

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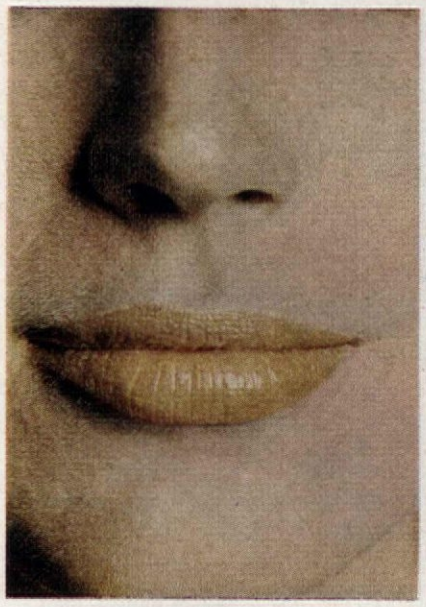
BEAUTY AT HOME

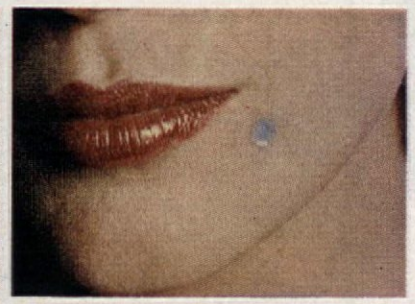
MAKEUP IN THE PARTY SPIRIT

By Constance Bartel

Part of the fun of a party is looking partyfied to match. Looking "nice" is nice, but who wouldn't rather look fabulous? During the holiday parties ahead, step up your makeup so that it's unmistakably *special* and distinctly different from your usual makeup. Although the aim of your daily cosmetics is to look as natural as possible, for a holiday party you can afford to pass up naturalness in favor of glamour, and add some frankly gala effects just for sheer high spirits. This particular year you have lots of party-makeup options. Here we show you three choices, but there's nothing to stop you from concocting your own.

Thirties-Forties Makeup (right). This is the look reflecting the big, current influence of early movies, and it looks as though it is going to affect *all* makeup in 1969. Right now it's high fashion and you're way ahead of the trend if you wear it to a party. The main characteristics of this makeup are thin, arched eyebrows—à la Garbo, Dietrich, and Company; much deeper and brighter lipstick than you've been wearing, on a rounder, fuller mouth; and stuck-together, pointed eyelashes in a modern version of the "beaded" lashes of the past. Your blusher, although not quite duplicating the round spots of rouge of vintage cinema, is nevertheless more emphasized and less faded away at the edges of the cheekbone. Great fun if you're fashion-minded!





Glitter Makeup (above). The point of this is frank artifice, in the same gay spirit in which you sprinkle sparkle on your gift packages. You achieve it with a foundation containing a hint of gold; with eye shadow that's gold, silver, or pearl; with nail polish that's ditto; and on your lips you wear something frosted, iridescent, or luminously metallic. Your fake lashes are dusted with gold or edged with tiny brilliants. Needless to say, the sparkle-plenty approach is only for really dressed-up parties like New Year's Eve, and even so—don't wear all the glitter at one time. (One Christmas tree is enough!) But even for a lesser party, a *little* glitter lights you up—just a golden gleam on your skin, say, or a subtle silver light on your lids and lips. And what about a *mouche*—an artificial beauty spot you place at the corner of your mouth or on your pretty chin? If you have a steady hand, you can draw one on with fluid eye liner in brown or charcoal. Use a very tiny brush and work slowly.

Dramatized Makeup. This begins with your usual makeup approach, but is accentuated and much more colorful in the holiday mood. You achieve it by adding a bit more of everything, and going in for brighter and more gala shades. Beginning with your foundation, you might try an under-makeup tint in apricot or mauve, depending, naturally, on your own coloring. Instead of your usual black or brown eye liner, try green or blue or burgundy, and choose eye shadow to harmonize in equally partyfied shades. There's no end to what you can do with your eyelashes. Experiment with colored mascara, just for kicks. Or try the new trick of painting long vertical strokes on your upper lid with eye liner. Try fake lashes that are longer, thicker, fringier than your daytime ones. Glue fake lashes on your *lower* lid the way models do—long but rather sparsely spaced. Or have fun with the kind you buy in a strip, cut into small pieces, and apply just where you want—three or four lashes at a time. Time to do all this? A problem, as usual. But plan your look in advance, and sneak in a little practice when you can. Nothing can lift your spirits on a long day of housework more than taking time out to practice being the glamorous you. On party night, order your baby-sitter for an hour in advance so you can make up in peace. Because if there is any time when you should feel bubbly and gay and special looking, it's when you go to a holiday party. After all, you want your chance under the mistletoe too.

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The Modern Japanese Print, an Appreciation. Written by the peripatetic James Michener, this handsome reprint was originally published as a limited edition in 1962 and quickly became a collector's item. His fourth book on Japanese prints, it contains reproductions of 10 woodblock prints in full color, along with a perceptive commentary on each and a discussion of the techniques and tradition of the Japanese print. Some of the designs display a gutsy masculinity in sharp contrast to the delicacy often considered "typically Japanese." Normally we'd be the last to advocate tearing pages from a book, but these prints would make a fine collection for framing. Or thoughtful offerings to 10 friends who would appreciate something instead of a mundane greeting card. $5, Charles E. Tuttle.

New Casserole Cookery. This enlarged edition of Marian Tracy's classic assiduously avoids mishmashes. The recipes, culled from all parts of the world, emphasize fragrant seasonings and a slightly different twist to the ingredients. Each recipe has a suggested menu built around it. It includes main dishes, vegetables, desserts. We were especially tempted by visions of Persian meatloaf, green pepper pudding, and baked pears with shaved chocolate (not necessarily all at the same meal, mind you). It's all hearty family fare and will help you vary the monotony and complication of formal holiday menus. Not to mention making it easier for you and your guests to enjoy a relaxing visit while the meal takes care of itself in the oven. $5.95, Viking Press.

The Look-it-Up Book of the Earth is ideal for answering young scholars' questions about the difference between sleet and hail, the reason for the international dateline, and what a tsunami is (it's otherwise known as a tidal wave, but has nothing to do with the tide), as well as such purely statistical information as the volume and mass of this globe we live on. Written by Seymour Simon, with entries arranged alphabetically and illustrated with drawings and photos, the book invites browsing. $3.95, Random House.

These books may be ordered through your local bookstore.

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By Evanthia Kondonellis

GIVE A SUNNY CITRUS WINTER!

Play Santa with tiny citrus trees this Christmas! All plant lovers love the voluptuous scent of lemon blossoms. They'll be picking oranges and lemons, kumquats and limes from jewellike trees that in hotter climes decorated the gardens of sultans, abbots, mandarins, and queens. With bright and sunny windows, no one has to settle for just greenery. So ponder no more, and give your gardening friends a gift of living fruit trees!

If the philodendron is the most overused houseplant, citrus is surely the most underrated. The members of this plant family, many of which can be grown in pots indoors during northern winters, probably have more endearing traits than any other subtropical group. They are easy to grow and offer flowers, fruits, and fragrance. Often they'll survive an inordinate amount of neglect. Citrus are almost always in bloom, or in fruit, or both at the same time. Calamondin fruits will stay on a plant for eight months to a year. Citrus foliage is handsome, evergreen, and when crushed, aromatic in a bittersweet way. And the flowers have the most seductive fragrance on earth. If you enjoy growing your own and prefer to start your grapefruit, lime, or

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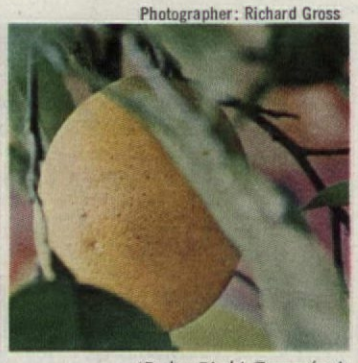
'Dancy' Tangerine



'Ruby Pink' Grapefruit

'Minneola' Tangelo

other citrus gifts from seeds, they won't flower or fruit. You'll need to buy started citrus trees, or else take cuttings from the half-ripened wood of your own plants if they have bloomed and borne fruit. If the skills you acquired in your scouting days include grafting, you can try to graft a scion from a bearing tree onto a plant you've grown from seed. If the graft takes, the plant will soon bear flowers and fruit.

The plant you give, if purchased from a nursery, will already have fruits and probably flowers or buds. It will keep on bearing and giving pleasure through the summer, in many cases, then will take a fall "vacation." Any time from December through March it will begin to blossom again and set fruits. A citrus gift, with proper care, will go on cheerfully producing flowers and crops for a good many Christmases to come.

HOW TO CARE FOR CITRUS TREES

Why not include a handwritten note of instructions on the care and keeping of citrus with your gift plant? If the recipient is a beginning gardener, it will save much agonizing over decisions such as when to prune, feed, water, and the like. The information below is a basic guide that you can translate into your own, personal citrus greeting.

Citrus are shapely trees, as a rule, and respond to occasional pruning and cutting back of the foliage. They are good bonsai subjects, and will grow in the same container for many years if root-pruned annually. The operation is performed when the plant is dormant. It should be eased gently out of the pot and trimmed around the edges and bottom of the root ball. The ball should not be broken up or disturbed unnecessarily, or the plant will be weakened.

The pots can be sunk in the garden for the summer. In the city, they'll be happy on a sunny terrace, provided the leaves are sprayed with water daily, to prevent soot buildup. My citrus trees spend the summer indoors, on the southern windowsill, with lots of fresh air from an open window nearby. Once a week they go under the shower for a fine, cool misting, and this keeps them in sparkling good health. Once a month, from February through August, we feed them with a houseplant fertilizer diluted in water. In a city apartment, insects such as mealybugs, scale, or aphids, are not likely to be a problem. If they do appear, spray with malathion to control them.

Citrus will do nicely in any standard houseplant soil. If you recall that they are grown in humid tropical areas as well as the deserts of Arizona and Texas, you'll be correct in assuming that their only major requirement is water. Water liberally during the active months when they're producing blooms and setting fruit. Make sure the soil drains well so roots aren't waterlogged. They need less water as their productive period tapers off, and no fertilizer.

One of the most important factors contributing to flowering and setting of fruit is temperature. All citrus like cool nights, and should have a 10- to 15-degree drop in temperature at night—especially when they're grown indoors. They don't like to be near radiators in the winter! A cool sun porch is an ideal spot for them. We don't have one, so the radiator is turned off at night in the living room where the trees grow, and our citrus thrive.

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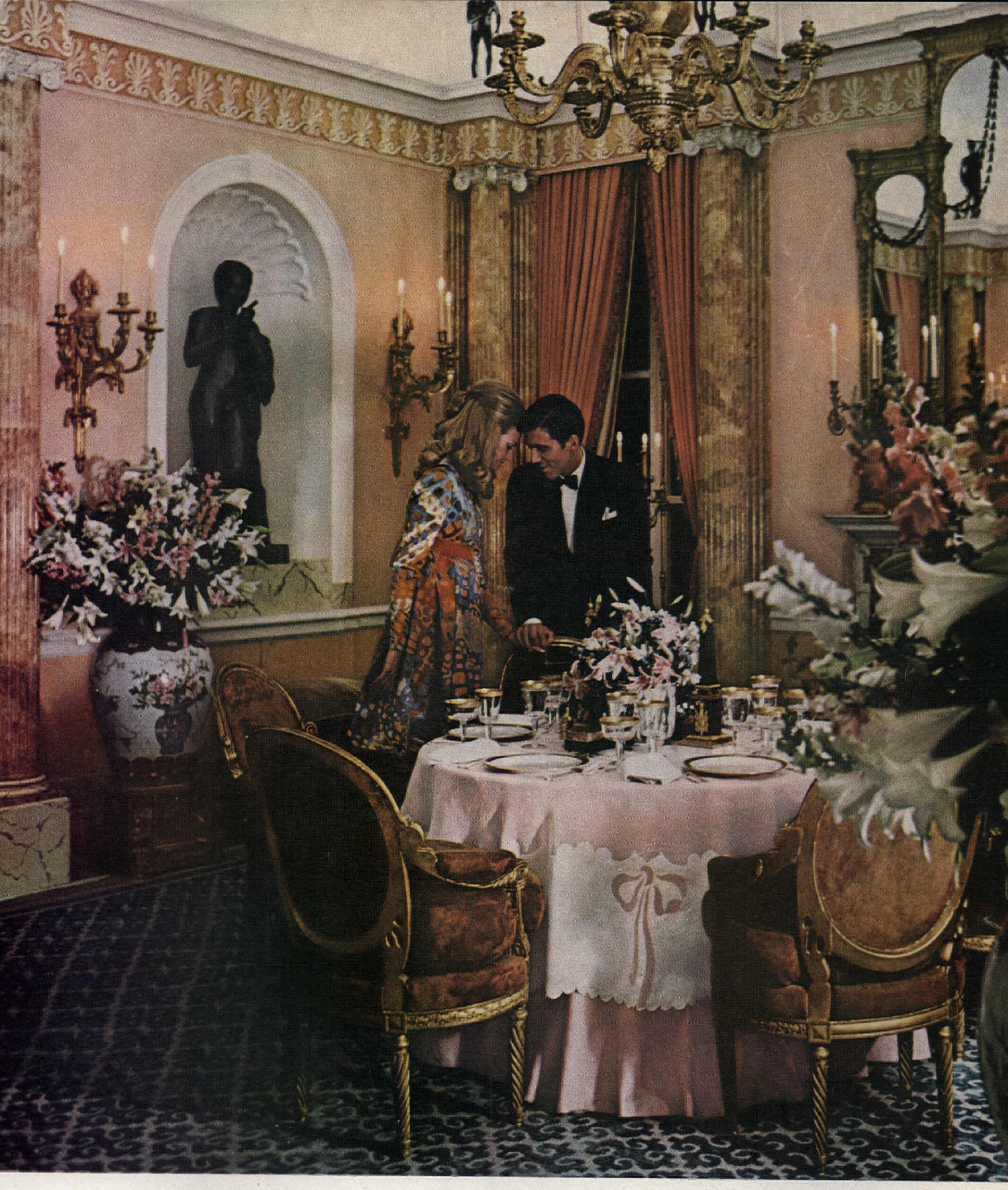
DECORATING NEWSLETTER

STOCKING STUFFERS are fun finds—especially if you happen on them in local little shops and boutiques. We scouted several major New York City distributors to see what gifts are available around the country. Look for: Crazy thumbtacks (for a teenager) that look like rolling eyes. $1.50 a dozen. Translucent Smile Tiles, 4-inch squares in stained-glass colors printed with Christmas motifs, to make merry holiday windows. 25c each. Oatmeal writing paper folds to make its own envelope and comes with stick-on seals. Packaged in a Quaker Oats box, $3 for 24 sheets. Reproduction of a famous painting is a Pack-of-8 boxed matches, $1.50. (All from Drummers.) Mexican mini piggy banks in white, yellow, terra-cotta, sky blue, are patterned all over with tidy flowers in black and red. 50c each. (From Coronet Metals.) Stuff Sew-Me-Up dolls with stockings. They're shaped like a lion, squirrel, angel, and come in ready-for-mailing envelopes. $1.75. Or crocheted in rainbow-colored wool, a turtle, armadillo, anteater, other animals from a South American zoo—for the Christmas tree now the toy box later. Equally appealing, a sun and moon of woven straw. Also, tin-can salt and pepper shakers with plastic tops, covered in a crossword puzzle pattern. $1.50 a pair. (All from Harriet Amanda Chapman.) Modtrotter is what Seth Thomas calls its bright (red, Kelly green, Bristol blue) tiny travel clocks with big numbers. $6.95. (From Arthur Fein.) Prices approximate.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS . . . do something about clocks. Room schemes come and go but time wears the same tired old face. Too few, too dated . . . this necessary accessory is too often overlooked in the overall. For anywhere in the house—something new in clock-radio combinations. RCA's The Profile is a self-contained FM/AM radio and wall clock in a square-cut, slim-trim case that's only 2½ inches deep. Comes in white, red, or walnut-grain finish. The clock and radio have independent battery power. Sells for about $45. The color explosion is loud and clear in the clock collection designed for General Electric by Peter Max, visionary, news-making, artist-designer. "Something consulted so frequently should be more than functional," says Peter. Multi-fantasy kaleidoscopics and panopticons, geometrics and swirling shapes, blazing designs and color combos, usually seen in his posters, tableware, stationery, glassware, rugs, and fabrics—are now applied to 6 electrifying wall clocks: Very aptly named, they are Opticon, Flower Girl, Circa 1890, Daisy Reflection, Daisy Butterfly, and Wow Now. They're 9 inches in diameter, 2¼ inches deep and will retail for about $10 . . . good bedroom gift for teen-agers. From VanDow-Fenton, Inc., a very super-super looking unfinished wood-cube clock with big white on black dots for numerals is about $9.

And . . . do something about dead wall space. Find out what's happening in component shelving systems. Masonite Corporation has introduced carved wood pilasters (with recessed metal wall standards), brackets, and stain-resistant shelves (choice of traditional or contemporary profiles) in unit-matching satin walnut finish. Look for them at your local lumber dealer.

Vera D. Hahn



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HEALTH IN THE HOME
By ANNETTE FRANCIS BENJAMIN

FAINTING

There are few things as frightening to witness as an episode of fainting. A sudden but brief unconsciousness due to interference with the circulation of blood to the brain, fainting (or *syncope)* is the most common form of loss of consciousness and is often preceded by pallor and perspiration. A person who has fainted has a weak pulse and may have cold hands, feet.

Fortunately, in the great majority of instances fainting is not due to serious illness and can be corrected by getting the person's head level with or lower than his body. However, any episode of fainting should be reported to your doctor.

COMMON CAUSES

Fainting can be a "party hazard," for among the common causes of fainting are: standing for a long period of time; being overheated; eating unusually large amounts of food, or going without food for many hours—especially when drinking alcohol on an empty stomach.

Other causes of fainting include severe pain, fever, blood loss, diarrhea, receiving a sudden emotional shock, getting out of bed suddenly, particularly after having been bedridden because of illness. Wearing a tight collar or neckband may constrict the blood vessels in the neck and cause fainting.

WHEN SOMEONE FAINTS

Place the person flat down where he has fainted. (Do *not* put a pillow under his head.) Lift his legs straight up in the air, holding them in this position until consciousness returns. The legs-up position improves the circulation of blood to the brain and consciousness usually returns in a matter of minutes. Loosen any tight clothing around the neck, and if the room is stuffy, open the windows or turn on the air conditioning. Cold water sprinkled on the face or a whiff of aromatic ammonia can sometimes be helpful. Do *not* attempt to pour whisky down a fainting victim's throat.

One of the common mistakes laymen make when trying to revive someone who has fainted, is getting the person up too soon—before the circulation has completely restored itself. After the person regains consciousness, allow him to lie on his back until he feels well enough to sit up. Once he is sitting up, let him remain sitting for 15 minutes. If he still feels well, you may let him get up.

If the person at any time starts to feel faint again or turns pale, have him lie down flat and elevate his legs again. A physician should be called if fainting persists or recurs while the person is lying down, or if he does not feel well enough to sit up or to walk around.

TO PREVENT FAINTING

In a crowded place, if a person complains of feeling faint, don't try to walk him out. Have him lie down perfectly flat where he is (no pillow under the head) and help him lift his legs straight up in the air. This position should be maintained until he no longer feels faint.

Should the person be unable or unwilling to lie down where he is, have him sit down with his knees spread wide apart and help him put his head far down between his knees. Make sure that he does not fall forward.

If there is nothing to sit on, a person can prevent fainting by standing with his legs apart and bending forward at the waist so that his head is about at the level of his knees. Again, care must be taken to see that he does not topple over. A standing person who feels faint may also kneel on one knee as if tying a shoe and bow his head between his knees.

Dizziness and its more extreme form, vertigo, can affect the equilibrium to such a degree that a person may have difficulty walking or standing. He may feel he is going to fall or faint, and may actually weave or stagger. Have the person lie down and keep his eyes closed. Call the doctor if dizziness persists or if there is vertigo, nausea, or vomiting.

Mrs. Benjamin is co-author with her husband, Bry Benjamin, M.D., of In Case of Emergency *(Doubleday; paperback, Pyramid).*

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DECORATING CLINIC

Question: *We are considering purchasing a dining table with a marble top. Since this will be a major investment, I'd like to know how practical marble is as a dining surface.*

Answer: Unfortunately, the ideal trouble-free dining tabletop has not been invented. Every tabletop including marble needs care. Hot plates should never be placed directly on any surface. Spills, especially wine and fruit juice, must be mopped up immediately. If you take proper care of your marble top it should serve you well and it is certainly one of the most handsome materials available. Any deep scratches or stains can be removed by a professional marble polisher.

Question: *We live in a development house that has a large picture window in the living room facing the street. How do I get privacy without shutting out the daylight?*

Answer: Some solutions depending on your budget and style of your room are: Heavily textured casement cloth, unlined so light filters through but privacy during the day is assured. For complete privacy in the evening, windows should be covered with white opaque shades. If your room is contemporary you might consider vertical blinds. Made of fabric tapes hung vertically, they work on the same principle as venetian blinds. Vertical blinds allow you excellent control of light and come in a variety of fabrics and colors. They assure complete privacy and need no shades underneath. More intricate but fine for a traditional room are tieback draperies on either side of the window, cafe curtains three quarters up on the window, and matching fabric window shades.

Question: *What's missing in our home is a work area for my husband and me. We both need desk space but don't have room for one of those neat at-home offices. Our living room is too small and hallway too narrow for even one desk.*

Answer: Don't think in terms of a bulky, conventional desk. Desks can be a long shelf in the hall, a wall-hung drop front in the kitchen, a pair of sawhorses topped with a slab of marble, or plywood covered in laminated plastic on a stair landing or between jogs in a wall. (Be sure top and bottom are both plastic covered. Otherwise the wood will warp.) A Parsons table can, for example, do double duty as a desk—and dining, end, occasional, lamp, or bedside—table if it has a mini compartment chest on top for pencils, paper, and miscellany.

Question: *We bought a 30-year-old house recently and the dining room walls are painted a sad, dark green. To repaint them white would cost a mint because it takes at least three coats. What do we do?*

Answer: Stay with the dark look—navy blue, chocolate brown, garnet red. As we said in our June issue—darks are adaptable, make the best backgrounds, and after two decades of light rooms—come as a welcome shock. Dark and shiny is the look, so use a semigloss enamel that gives a lacquer effect. Choose one brilliant color for contrast—white, tangerine, lime green—and use it lavishly in fabric or painted furniture. If that's too bold, go one color in all its tones from very dark to very light, almost white, playing up different finishes and textures, slick and rough, smooth and shaggy. And be sure you have the proper lighting so the room will look dramatic.

Question: *The hearth is supposed to be the heart of the home, but I'm afraid mine is the sore spot. How do I furnish a fireplace?*

Answer: Your fireplace accessorizing should not be a major project even though the fireplace is often a focal point. Furnish here for function. That means basically andirons, a fire screen, fire tools, a log bucket. You will find a variety of styles and materials available in fireplace accessories including pewter, brass, iron. Be guided in selecting the design of these pieces by the style of your fireplace. There are simple contemporary styles for the most modern fireplace and more ornate styles for traditional fireplaces. Don't put anything near the fireplace that will obstruct its function, and don't clutter the hearth with buckets of dried flowers, a collection of china animals, or carved figures that really serve no decorative purpose.

Letters submitted to Decorating Clinic will be selected for an answer on the basis of general interest. Sorry we are unable to give personal replies.

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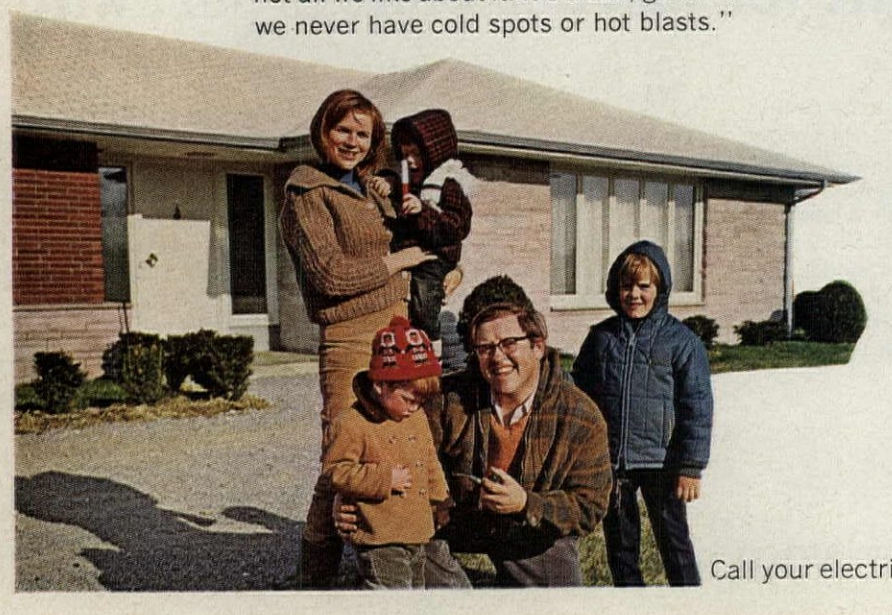

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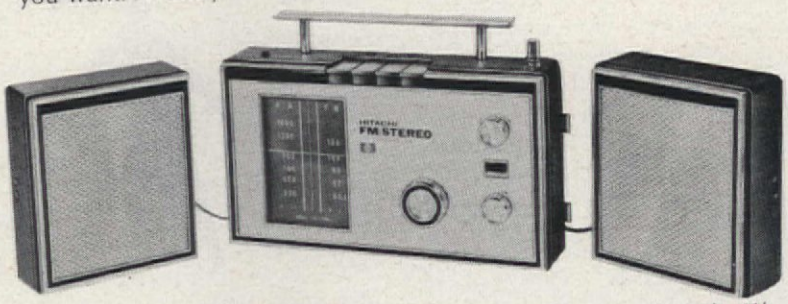

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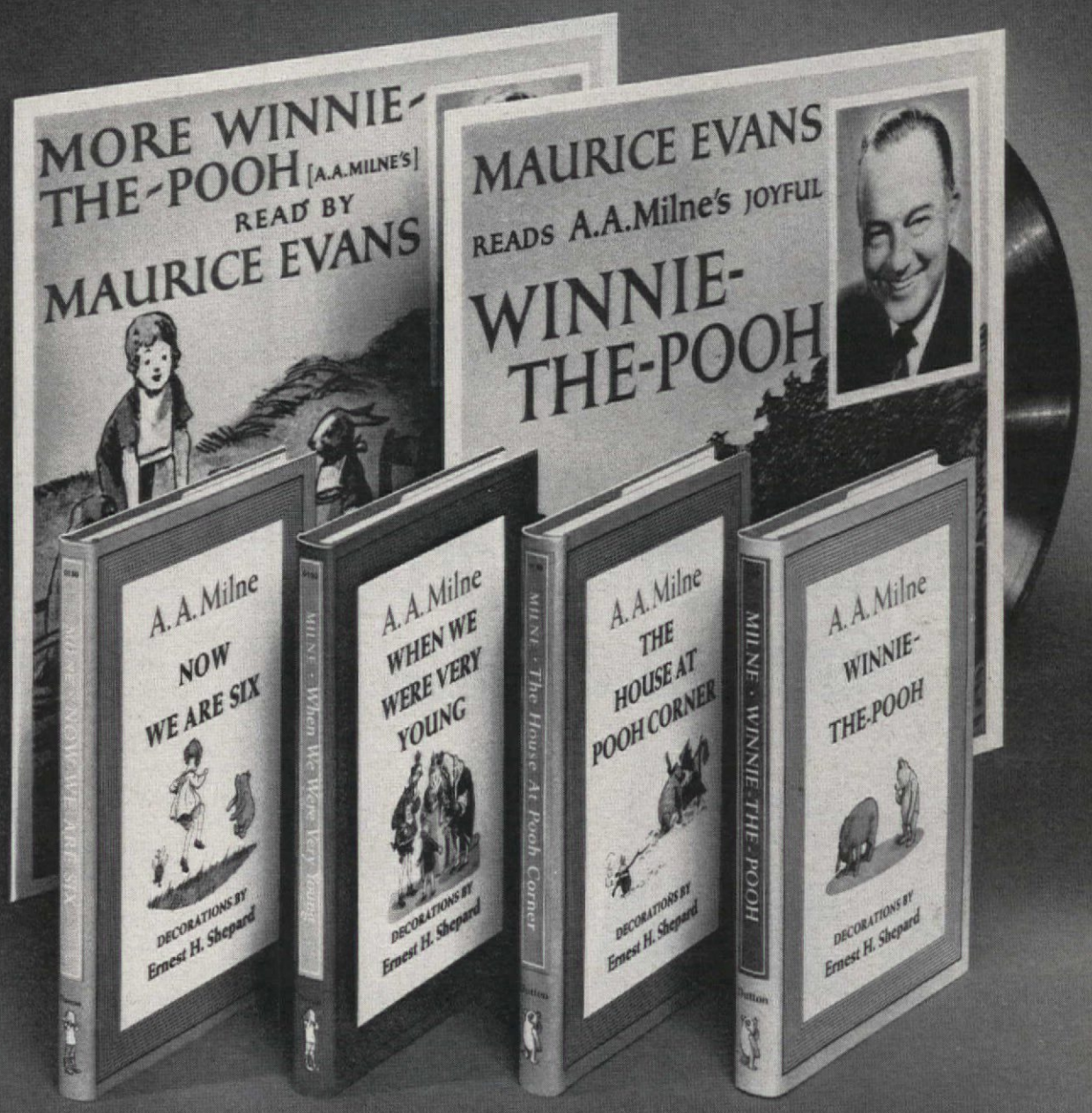

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MONEY MANAGEMENT
By MARY FEELEY

WHERE TO SEARCH FOR WINDFALLS

"You may already be a winner!" This familiar gimmick may leave you skeptical. But it could be that you're already a winner because you have an old savings bond that somehow got filed away in the family photo album, an old check you never cashed because it's still stuck at the back of the desk drawer, a savings account you forgot because the passbook got lost.

Sometimes these finds may be merely certificates that were purchased years ago, without the actual "paper." Even if you have the certificates, people may have dismissed them as worthless. Or perhaps there's some correspondence with an insurance company to indicate that a policy exists. Or an old notice of rent due on a safe deposit box suggests that a deceased relative may never have claimed its contents. Maybe an ancient passbook that was never canceled indicates you have money in the bank.

There's usually a way of finding out if documents you unearth may lead to benefits.

FORGOTTEN SAVINGS

Recently a schoolteacher in New Jersey learned that her name had appeared in a bank advertisement, listing the names of depositors of savings accounts that had long gone unclaimed. Only then did she recall that she had once had a small savings account in that bank. Her passbook had been lost and the whole matter forgotten. But the interest had kept right on accumulating!

State laws vary in handling bank savings accounts when there have been no deposits or withdrawals over a period of years. The time limit may be 10 years or 20 years before accounts are known as "escheat" and revert to the State Treasury. Banks are generally required to advertise in newspapers to try to locate depositors.

If you have lost your passbook, don't write off your funds—or wait around to see if your name appears in an ad. Contact the bank. Or if you can't remember the name of the bank, write to your State Treasurer's office and ask them to check their records. You may find that the bank can be identified and you can then fill out the necessary forms.

CASHING OLD CHECKS

Sometimes in the family's casual "at home" bookkeeping, an incoming check may be put aside till the next trip to the bank—and eventually forgotten. Most states have set a time limit on "stale checks," usually from six to 12 months.

Even after the specified period, however, some banks will cooperate and call the issuer of the check. If the latter so instructs, the tardy payee can get his money.

TRACING OLD STOCKS

It's said in stockbroker circles that there are undoubtedly old stock certificates in existence worth, all told, many millions of dollars. But just what they are or where they are nobody knows. Maybe some will turn up in your old cedar chest.

Tracing these old stocks to find out if they have any value is no easy job. In fact, it's a time-consuming and specialized business. If your broker cannot obtain information about old certificates that turn up, you can write to specialists in this field: the R. M. Smythe Co., Inc., 79 Wall St., New York, N. Y. 10005. The offices of this 85-year-old firm contain millions of references to old securities dating back to the early 19th century. For a $10 fee, the firm will investigate old stocks or bonds and give you a written opinion of their value. Send a photostat of the certificate with your request, if possible, or give a complete description, including the state in which the company was incorporated, its name as shown on the certificate, approximate dates, and any other information you have.

If you have reason to believe —through comments made in the family circle, or because old dividend notices are found— that stock certificates of a deceased member of the family have been lost, you can have new ones issued. Usually this is done through the company's transfer agent and if you write

to the company, it will instruct you on procedures. However, some companies do not permit a transfer agent to handle the reissuance of certificates. They handle the matter direct, and require you to fill out various forms and post a bond. Your stockbroker's advice will be helpful in determining procedure.

MISSING SAVINGS BONDS

Here's hoping that you've been keeping a record of your E bonds as you buy them over the years. It's all too easy to find that one or two are missing when the collection stacks up, if you keep them around the house. If any bonds should be lost or stolen, prompt action in reporting the loss can protect you, as new bonds can be issued.

Or if a list turns up that shows bonds were bought by someone else, now deceased, with you named as beneficiary, but the bonds themselves fail to show up, take the same steps.

Send any information you have, serial numbers if possible, date of issue, name and address of the registered owner to the U.S. Treasury Department, Bureau of the Public Debt, Division of Loans and Currency, 536 S. Clark St., Chicago, Ill. 60605. Even partial information can often be of some help.

SERVICE PAPERS

Proof of service in the Armed Forces may be needed in order to obtain veterans' benefits. If the necessary papers have been lost, duplicates can be obtained. Form DD 1108 is available from the Veterans Administration in Washington, D.C. 20420, or from the local VA.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES

Sometimes it's years before the relatives of a deceased person discover that he'd had a safe deposit box and that nothing was done about it when the estate was being closed.

It's possible that information can be obtained through the National Safe Deposit Association, 521 Fifth Ave., New York City, N.Y. 10017. For $15, the Association will advertise in its publication which is distributed to banks around the country. If the ad requesting information comes to the attention of the right bank, the contents of the box may be claimed.

States have varying regulations concerning safe deposit boxes. In New York State, after the first year of nonpayment of box rental, a so-called "cut open" notice is sent to the renter. Then if the bill is not paid after 30 days, the box will be opened by the bank. If the property is of value, it is held for two years, then may be sold at auction. Auction proceeds in excess of rent due go to the state. Personal papers are held 10 years

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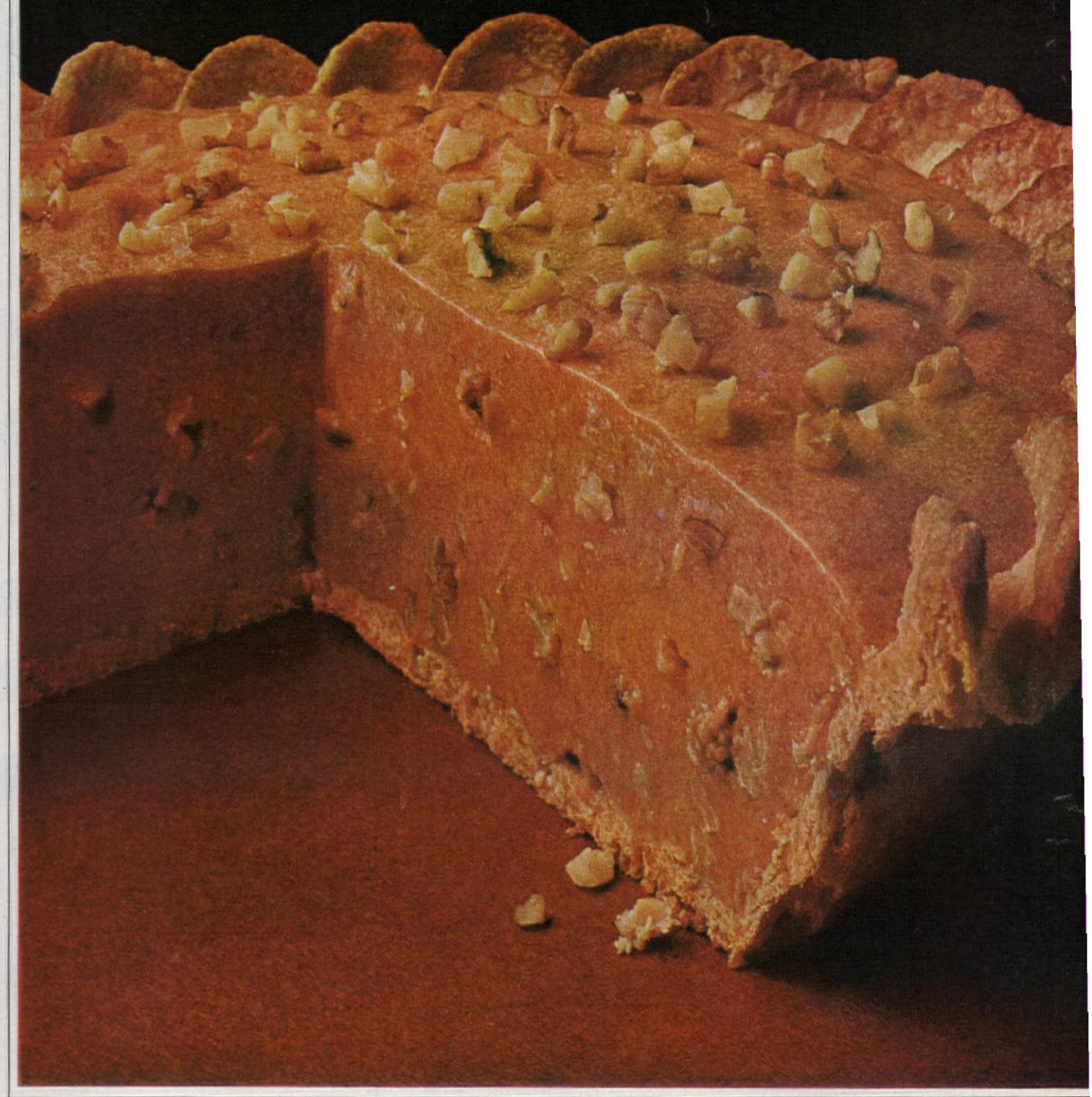

MISSING INSURANCE POLICIES

Perhaps you or someone else in the family is a beneficiary of a life insurance policy that can't be found. Of course, if you believe you know the name of the company, write to them at once. Or to the agent who handled it.

A paid-up policy may be involved. Or a life annuity which pays a minimum fixed number of installments.

Why not close the old year by tying up all the loose ends in the family's financial affairs?

Mary Feeley has her own Family Financial Planning Service in New York City and is author of Associated Press's syndicated column, "Live Within Your Income.".

By Arthur J. Maher

BUILD A BAR ON WHEELS

Placed in a corner of your family room, either of these colorful bar-storage units will hold liquor, glasses, ice buckets, accessories. Comes party time, you merely add ice, food, and people. And because these bars are built on casters, you can roll them to the living room, the patio, anywhere.

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THE MOST FROM YOUR AUTOMOBILE

By WILLIAM J. TOTH

FACTS AND FABLES

So you know how to save money with your car. Most drivers do, but the money they lose from what they don't know far outweighs their savings.

Economizing with your car starts with buying it and is a continuous job until you sell it. Every time you drive it, buy equipment, fuel, insurance, or have it maintained, you can save or waste money.

Following are 23 true-or-false statements. Test your money-saving knowledge.

SAVING ON GAS AND OIL

• It is best to buy the highest octane gas available since it can eliminate any knocking in the engine. False. Buy the grade gas recommended by your manufacturer. Any octanes above what your car needs are wasted.

• If you live in the mountains, it is a good idea to have your carburetor adjusted to save you gas. True. Atmospheric pressure tends to allow too rich a mixture of gas and air into your carburetor at high altitudes at normal settings.

• An air conditioner increases the cost of your gas annually by as much as $30. True. An air conditioner drains power from the engine and more gas is needed to overcome this drainage. This is one argument for getting an engine powerful enough to carry all the accessories you might buy.

• Your air filter could be the cause of wasting gas every time you try to start your car. True. A dirty air filter can restrict the flow of air into the carburetor and cause much difficulty in starting the car.

• There are a number of good additives that can be added to your crankcase oil that will do wonders for your car. False. Rarely does an additive contain anything not already found in any top-grade oil.

• It's just as expensive to operate a car carrying one passenger as it is with five. False. Added weight increases gas consumption and everything else wears more.

• It is much more serious to run out of oil in your crankcase than it is to run out of gasoline. True. Running out of oil could mean a new engine.

YOUR DRIVING HABITS

• Because of improvements in tires, you can hit a pothole without doing any great damage. False. The tire may be strong enough to take it, but other parts such as shock absorbers and wheels may become damaged.

• In an extreme emergency it is best to skid your car to a stop to prevent an accident. False. Besides saving the rubber on the tires, you can actually stop in a shorter distance by not allowing your wheels to lock into a skid.

• Using the lower gears in your car to get up to the speed limit just as quickly as possible is one of the best ways to conserve fuel. False. Jackrabbit starts and harsh gas feeding waste gas. Gradual starts and feeding will give you a smoother ride and save gas.

• Left-foot braking will save you time in reacting to an emergency, but does have one great disadvantage. True. It is almost impossible not to ride the brake slightly and in doing so, you increase brake wear. Lining life has been cut as much as 10 per cent.

• Considering the cost of a seat belt and what it can do for you, it is the best safety device on the market. True.

• It is better to brake intermittently and/or shift to a lower gear than to hold the brake down steadily all the way down a steep hill. True. Intermittent braking will allow some of the heat generated to escape and reduce wear on brakes.

• When you realize you are almost out of gas on a turnpike, it is best to speed up to get to the next station before you run out. False. You should reduce your speed to the minimum limit and hold it steady. You will get better gas mileage at the lower speed and probably make the next station safely.

• It is a good idea to keep close to the car ahead as you travel because it will keep others from squeezing in and will save you time and effort. False. You save very (continued)

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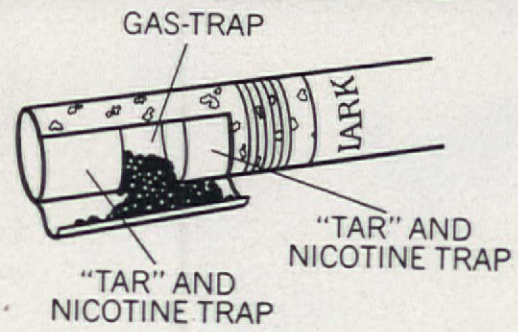

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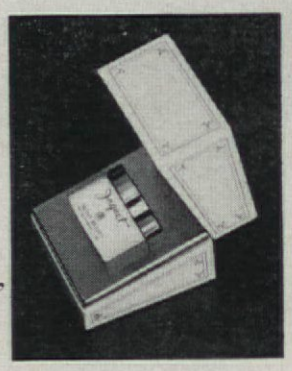

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KEEP IT WARM AND DRY

- It is a good idea to wipe your car dry after a shower because the raindrops on the car's surface tend to magnify the sun's rays and pit the finish. True. This can seriously damage your car's finish even if it has been waxed.
- Even keeping your car in an unheated garage can save you money during the cold weather. True. An engine tends to maintain its heat for a long period and even in an unheated garage the engine will not get as cold as outdoors. The quicker the engine heats up to normal operating temperatures, the less gas you use in overcoming friction.

TIRES, OTHER EQUIPMENT

- Because of the superstrength being built into tires today, you can run on a flat for about a mile before you damage it seriously. False. You can damage a tire seriously in a very short distance even running on it when it is nearly flat. If you suspect a tire is going flat, pull off the road and check it.
- A four-ply tire will double your mileage over a two-ply tire. False. Although the number of plies are related to tire life, the tread and your driving habits determine your tire mileage.
- The cost of rotating tires every 5000 miles is much more than you save in wear and tear. False. It is not just the tire wear you save. Faulty tires can affect alignment and steering apparatus.
- An under-inflated tire can cause you to waste gas. True. Frictional drag (resistance to rolling) is increased and the car takes more gas.
- There are a number of good additives on the market that can add life to your battery. False. Nothing better than the old mixture of sulfuric acid and water has been found.
- A high-quality battery is usually a better bargain than a low-priced battery. True. Many times a low quality cannot give you the service you need unless it is fully charged. Over a long period the good-quality battery is the best buy.

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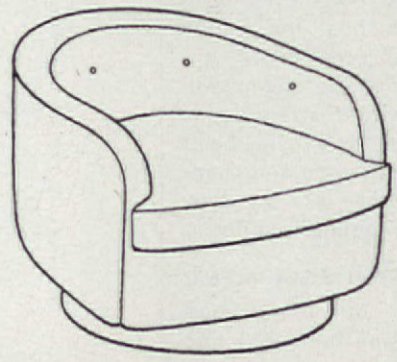
FABRICS: WHAT GOES WITH WHAT?

It's much simpler and less confusing to select upholstery and drapery fabrics for a single-style room than for an eclectic or multi-style scheme. To make it even easier, confine yourself to learning the basic rules that tell you exactly which fabric patterns and colors are correct and authentic. Here are four examples of currently popular furniture styles and three appropriate fabrics to go with each. All the fabrics shown are faithful reproductions in authentic colors. These fabrics are not the only choices, but they will help you recognize the difference between fabric styles, and eliminate the incorrect ones, thereby avoiding costly mistakes.

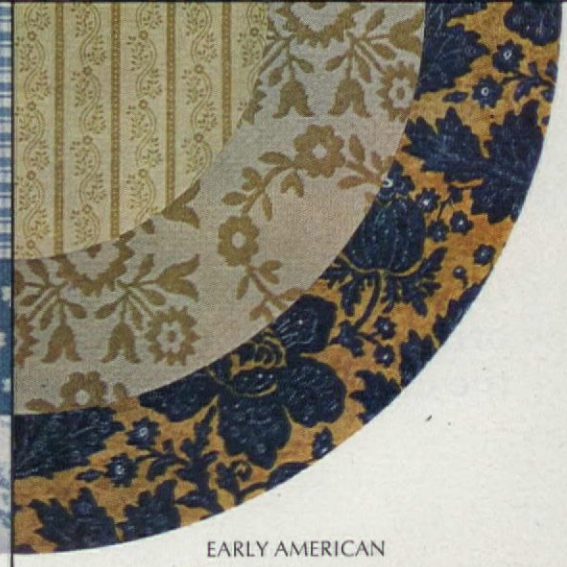
TRADITIONAL ENGLISH

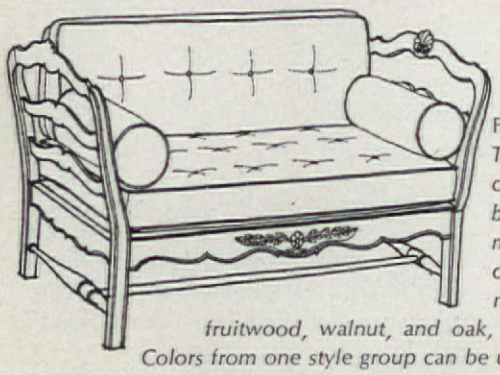
With Jacobean oak, Tudor, and Queen Anne walnut furniture, chintz, crewel, flame-stitch (shown), and tapestry patterns are the rule. Colors should be deep green, red, brown, and indigo blue. For the more formal Chippendale, Hepplewhite, and Sheraton mahogany furniture, use elegant silk stripes, damasks, and velvets in brilliant yellows, rose reds, royal blues. With rustic furniture, use woven solids, checks, stripes, and bright chintzes.



MODERN

Modern today ranges from neutral (steel and leather) to Mod (vibrant colors in wild patterns). Whether you aim for a subtle combination of textures or are using large doses of color and pattern (such as these shown), contrast is important. Use a bold floral or abstract print with a small plaid plus a textured solid weave. Combine glass and chrome with cowhide, a loosely woven synthetic or linen casement and modern geometric weave in wool.



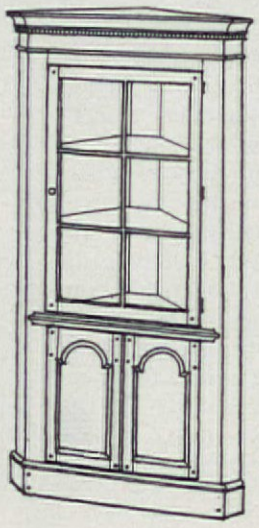


FRENCH PROVINCIAL

Toiles, florals, plaids (shown), checks and floral stripes in bright shades of rose, blue, mustard, and green are typical of French Provincial styles. Furniture frames are predominantly fruitwood, walnut, and oak, and often in painted finishes. Colors from one style group can be used interchangeably.

EARLY AMERICAN

Many of the Early American patterns reproduced today are resist prints, patterns inspired by the early designs for quilts, and small-patterned cottons copied from early dress fabrics (shown). Also made today are the many native "homespuns" in solids, textures, checks, and stripes. Since most patterned damasks and velvets in Colonial times were imported from England, these fabrics should be used with the more elegant Colonial furniture styles. The simpler woven fabrics are appropriate with rustic furniture.



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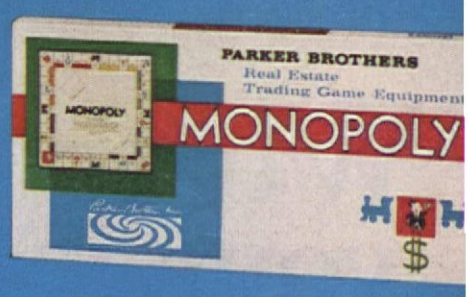

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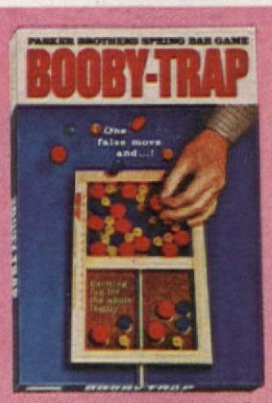

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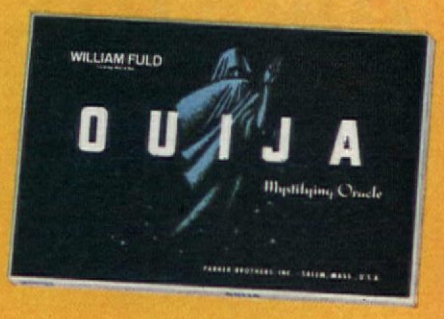

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PRIMER FOR GOOD LIGHTING

Lighting is still an occult science that's most often understood only by those experts—the lighting designers. Since it takes a degree of knowledge to recognize one's lack of expertise in an area of specialization, shelter experts such as interior designers and architects are much more apt to hire a lighting expert than the homemaker.

To the general public any room in which you don't bark a shin after dark is a well-lighted room and it's simply a matter of placing a few lamps here and there. This is just not so. To tell you why, we interviewed internationally known lighting designer and consultant, Jules G. Horton, who has imparted the magic of light with enormous skill in many private homes and gardens, art museums, restaurants, libraries, offices, and public buildings.

GOOD LIGHTING DEFINED

Lighting designer Jules Horton defines lighting as follows, "It's either good or bad. There is no middle ground. Good lighting brings out the best features of a room and minimizes the less desirable ones. It doesn't clash with the interior. It doesn't compete for attention. It complements you and your possessions. Good lighting is discreet and unobtrusive, not obviously clever and melodramatic—no heavy handed playing up of textures (brick, stone, carpet) for example. One is never really aware of good lighting except in a most pleasant, almost subliminal way. It creates a sense of well-being. And most importantly, good lighting provides correct color rendition and optimum conditions for various pursuits.

TIMING IS THE TRICK

"The time to install good lighting is when you build or remodel, not after the fact. When lighting is planned as part of the overall job, it's almost as inexpensive to have a good installation as it is to have none at all. Lighting should be part of the total environment—not an afterthought.

"Flexibility is the key word," Jules Horton claims. "It should be built into every lighting installation. Flexibility means that varying light conditions can be duplicated. Makeup light, for example, should be highly flexible, to simulate different light situations ranging from daylight to candlelight so that you can adjust your makeup colors accordingly."

THE FLATTERY OF LIGHT

Jules Horton agrees with other lighting experts that no other light has the magic of candlelight. "It is the most flattering form of light we know. But always supplement the candles on your dining table, or anywhere else for that matter, with dimmer controlled, low-level, incandescent illumination. Even candles, alone and unshaded, are sources of glare. If you use candles on your table, make sure they are very high or squat and low—in other words—well above, or well below, a seated person's eye level.

"Next, in order of becomingness, is incandescent light, particularly when used in conjunction with a dimmer. You can vary the colors of incandescent light from sunshine to almost candle glow.

"Fluorescent light, usually associated with commercial installations, probably because it came only in cold and unsympathetic colors at first, does have a place in home-lighting schemes. Tubes are now offered in a multitude of colors from white to those that approximate natural daylight. Fluorescent has some distinct advantages over incandescent light. It is more flexible, it is excellent for indirect installations that wash vertical surfaces such as walls or wall-to-wall curtains or draperies with light, and because the heat load is less than that of incandescent, its longevity is greater."

GLARE

Glare, and its counterpart, harsh shadows, are anathema to any lighting designer. "Glare is simply a veil of light before your eyes—looking through it is uncomfortable and should be avoided" Jules Horton advises.

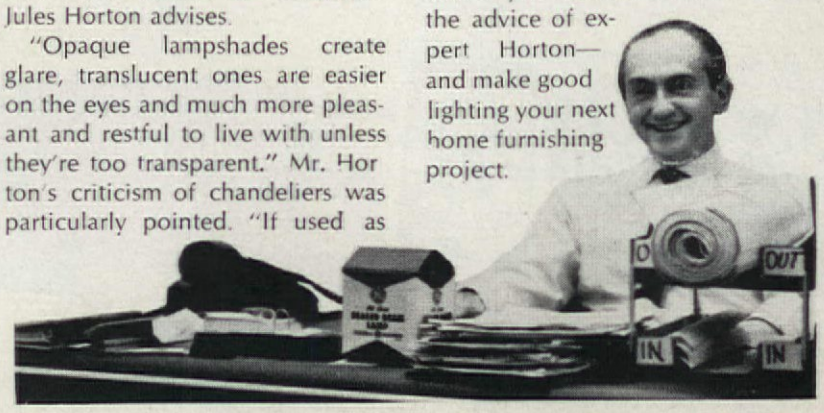
"Opaque lampshades create glare, translucent ones are easier on the eyes and much more pleasant and restful to live with unless they're too transparent." Mr. Horton's criticism of chandeliers was particularly pointed. "If used as the sole light source in a room, they're nothing but glare makers—no matter how fashionable or how attractive they may be. They should always be used in conjunction with other means of illumination, soffit or valance lighting, for example. The candle bulbs must be shielded or at least used with a dimmer, preferably both. If the design of the chandelier precludes the use of candle shades, a dimmer is an absolute *must*. The current decorating philosophy of chandelier-or-bust has resulted in the worst kind of lighting mistakes.

PERIMETER LIGHTING

"A room lighted with nothing but lamps is almost as bad as a room lighted with nothing but chandeliers. If you have enough of them to light the space properly you always end up looking like a lamp showroom, not a home. To supplement lamps and to soften the shadows they cast, you should also have perimeter lighting—light reflected from walls and ceiling. It does not produce shadows, hence is soft and agreeable. The trouble today is that most builders of single- and multiple-unit dwellings provide only what the local building code calls for. In nine out of ten cases that's the minimum—one ceiling outlet for the entry, kitchen, dining and bath rooms so that you have little or no choice except to use lamps unless you are ready to invest in a whole new lighting installation.

LIGHTING PSYCHOLOGY

"Lighting affects you, whether you're conscious of it or not. In its own intangible way it influences your moods and creates an atmosphere. It can depress, relax, or stimulate. A change of light can make a 'hostile' room suddenly seem inviting. Unbecoming light makes you self-conscious." Heed the advice of expert Horton—and make good lighting your next home furnishing project.



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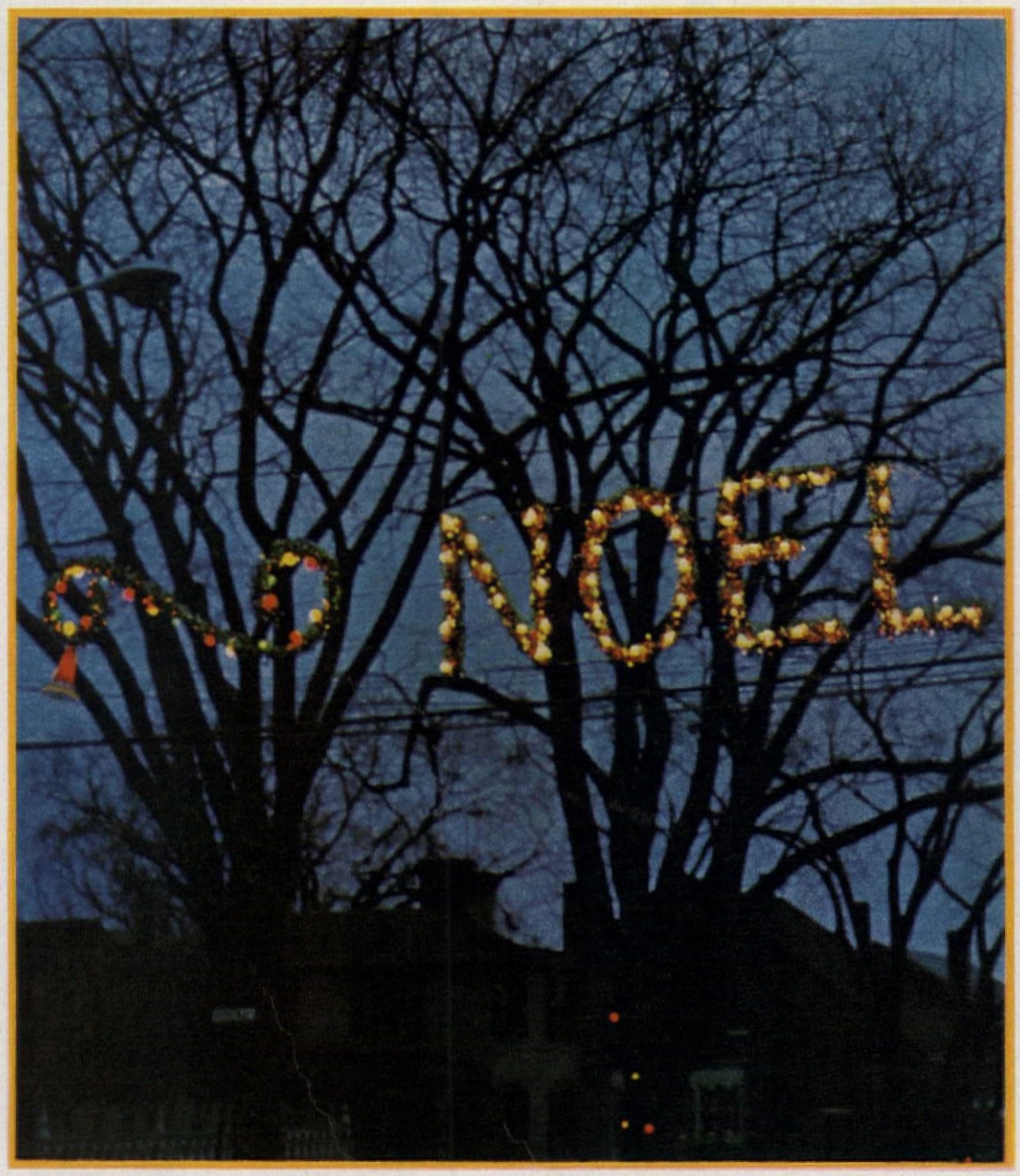


Here's where it's happening—in a rambling, open-armed New England homestead. Here's where it's happening—in a sky-high California weekend hideaway. And look, here too, in a gay, young New York City apartment. What's happening? All kinds of delightful, delicious Christmasy things. Pungent greens fresh from the fields. Brimming bowls of cheer. Dogsled rides through the crisp white night. Marshmallows toasting by an open fire. Precious heirloom baubles peeking out of tissue paper, and instant, bright-as-now trimmings appearing out of nowhere. Trees laden with tinsel. Tables laden with goodies. Cookies popping warm and crunchy out of the oven. Candles glowing. Presents glittering. Friendship. Laughter. Joy. And peace. Come share all of these with us on the following pages. And may your Christmas be beautiful, wherever you are, because where it's really all happening is in your heart.

THE WARMTH

By Dorothy Lambert Brightbill

Christmas, Christmas everywhere!

You drive through the winter-hushed streets of Wiscasset, Maine. You wind northward, past towering old pines in powdered wigs, past a sugary steeple of a church and meandering snow-covered fences. Then down the hill, turn to the right and you've arrived. And right away you know—it's Christmas! Candles light your way to the steps, dancing and flickering among the snowbanks. "Welcome, welcome," says the front door with its garland and chubby gray berry evergreen wreath. (On the back door, a happy red bow wreath beams the same message.) Before you even step inside Mr. and Mrs. Richard Collins's 1793 captain's home, you have a delightful suspicion that *this* is where Christmas is happening—all over the house. And so it is. From the gracious front hall to the firelit kitchen, from downstairs windows to the upstairs boys' rooms, on mantels and on tables, in niches and on shelves, there's hardly a nook or cranny of this charming house that isn't touched by magic. Best of all (you can almost see the loving hands at work) the Collins's Christmas is all their own doing.

When you enter the front hallway you come upon a hanging Advent wreath fragrant with live greens. To the right is the living room with its nine-foot tree (one of seven throughout the house!) glittering and gleaming with tiny candelights and exquisite toys and mementoes from all over the world. (continued)

Great tree *in living room (opposite) commands attention of all. Garland over mantel is decked with tiny, gaily wrapped packages made from scraps of wood.* **Pine garland** *and green wreath (right) decorate the red lacquer front door. Basket spills over with holly and evergreen branches.* **George Washington** *figurine and pungent evergreen wreath grace the living room window.*

Traditional wreath *at back door in the kitchen jingles with a sleighbell cluster. Kugelhof and coffee await Christmas visitors.*

Detail *of Christmas tree in living room shows raffia bird's nest with tiny Christmas-ball eggs. Birds and nests bring happiness for the year.*

Stephen's bedroom *is garlanded with favorite toys and tiny lights. Pierced Mexican lanterns light windows; toy soldiers stand guard.*

Large evergreen wreath *in dining room is decorated with a collection of artificial fruit gathered over the years.*

Beyond is the family room with its long, old pine table topped with all sorts of goodies and a candelabra made from an old-fashioned coat rack. Step into the dining room and behold a red felt-covered groaning board and a magnificent wreath over the mantel (there are six mantels in this house). Come to the kitchen—the sweet smells of cooking make you breathe in deeply. There's a tiny tree on the cupboard trimmed with toys and miniature kitchen utensils. A princess pine garland on the mantel entwines gingerbread men and candy canes. A fire glows beneath, exuding the sweet smell of "deer moss." Up the stairs in the master bedroom a ceramic Madonna reflects the firelight. There's a Ceppo in one window, the Italian version of a Christmas tree. On the door of 11-year-old Michael's room, a wreath sports a sailing ship and clusters of miniature lobster buoys. Opposite, in Stephen's room (age 7) a garland of greens holds a collection of small-boy toys. Up, up, up to the third floor—a guest room with a window wreath of homemade flowers, a "cool" room filled with Christmas puddings gently aging in the time-honored way. Last but not least is Dorchen Collins's workshop, a fascinating place where all the wonders of Christmas have their beginnings. Everyone's favorite here is the Victorian mouse house, where Christmas is celebrated too. See what we mean that Christmas is everywhere in this love-filled house!

Old-fashioned folding coat rack *(opposite) is transformed into a handsome candelabra in family room. Doughnuts are served to guests here.*
Plum puddings *(far left) are wrapped in foil and placed in the "cool" room. Occasionally they're laced with spirits.*
On the mantel *in the family room a Madonna from Mexico graces greens, candles, Swedish straw stars.*

Victorian toy house *in Dorchen Collins's workshop is peopled with toy mice. Here, young Stephen shows contents to a friend.*
Sailing-ship *and lobster-buoy wreath are a fitting adornment for a young Maine man. Door leads to Michael's room.*

Small tree *in Michael's room is decorated with matchbox cars by his brother, Stephen.*
Santa *and his helpers decorate a small tree with pine cones on the coffee table in the family room.*

Pinwheel tree is easy to decorate. For each pinwheel use two 4-inch squares of paper in contrasting colors. Cut diagonal lines from each corner to within one inch of center. Bring point of each corner to front of ball, secure pinwheel points with a long gold- or pearl-headed pin. Rocket finial atop the tree is a paper cone over a 4-inch length of paper-towel tube, covered with shiny paper.

Maybe you don't have a charming house in New England filled with treasured trimmings or a romantic ski lodge to run off to. Maybe your Christmas is happening in a small city apartment, your very first. Let nothing you dismay! Inexpensive, out-of-thin-air decorations can deck your everyday halls with shimmering Christmas fantasy. Just look at the lighthearted abracadabra that is at your fingertips. There are tricks you can do with mirrors, spells you can cast with candles, twinkling feats of legerdemain with scraps of shiny paper and a packet of pins. Let your fingers fly and your imagination run barefoot. But who says Christmas has to be all red and green? Who says pinwheels on a tree aren't just as pretty (and twice as witty) as pine cones? Who would dare try to pigeonhole "Christmas spirit"? Maybe some of your spur-of-the-season creations won't last beyond Twelfth Night. Who cares? But don't be surprised if some of your nifty swifties become family heirlooms to be used year after year. (continued)

THE SPIRIT

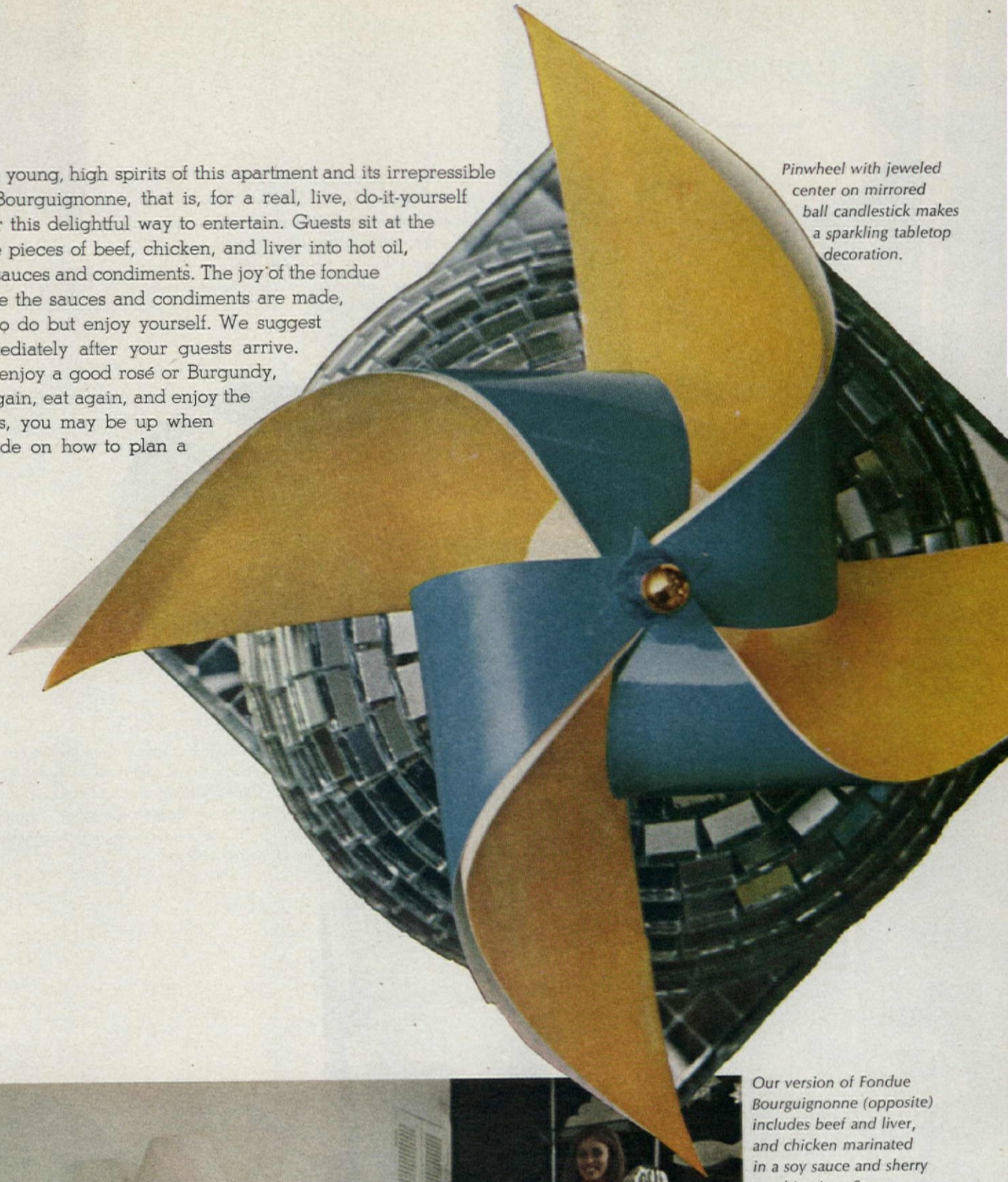
Kite decoration for the front door is made by cutting three eliptical-shaped pieces of paper, each a different size. Mount on cardboard and glue together. Outline with thick wrapping yarn and add the tail and hanging cord.

Gay kite tails are hung over white draperies on a window wall. They come in three variations: strips of tissue paper, pleated strips of tissue paper, brilliant wool tassels. All are tied on long strands of thick wrapping yarn you find in gift and stationery stores.

Mexican tin molds brought from the kitchen shimmer on glass bookshelves. Some are stacked to form a tree, some are hung, and some secured to the wall with double-faced masking tape. Inexpensive candles provide the flickering light, many-sided icosahedrons add sparkle.

Mirrored ball candlesticks and small square boxes are heaped together or scattered to reflect light.

And what about a party to match the young, high spirits of this apartment and its irrepressible owners? Fondue, anyone? Fondue Bourguignonne, that is, for a real, live, do-it-yourself cook-in. You can thank the Swiss for this delightful way to entertain. Guests sit at the fondue server, dunk tender, bite-size pieces of beef, chicken, and liver into hot oil, and then dip into a dazzling array of sauces and condiments. The joy of the fondue party lies in the simple fact that once the sauces and condiments are made, the table set, there is little for you to do but enjoy yourself. We suggest you start the festivities almost immediately after your guests arrive. This is a lingering party where you enjoy a good rosé or Burgundy, then partake of the fondue, imbibe again, eat again, and enjoy the whole evening through. Who knows, you may be up when Santa comes. For recipes and a guide on how to plan a fondue party, turn to page 70.



Pinwheel with jeweled center on mirrored ball candlestick makes a sparkling tabletop decoration.

Fondue Bourguignonne is the perfect dish for an evening of fun and conviviality. Meal can be served around a coffee table with guests seated on pillows or at the dining room table. Either way, an air of informality pervades.

Our version of Fondue Bourguignonne (opposite) includes beef and liver, and chicken marinated in a soy sauce and sherry combination. Sauces and condiments, starting at the bottom left and going clockwise: cracked wheat and parsley seasoned with green onion and cinnamon; chopped almonds; red pepper relish; chopped egg; sauce duxelles, a blend of mushrooms, onion, and sherry in a thickened beef broth; Béarnaise sauce; zippy mustard sauce; and pungent peach sauce. Serve with crisp green salad and French bread.

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THE GETAWAY

By Nancy C. Gray

You *can* take it with you! And countless young families from California to New York do just that—they pack up their Christmas and head for the snow or the Southern sun, as the case may be. Some own their own cabins, others rent—where it's warm enough they camp.

For dedicated skiers like the Richard Scibirds of Mill Valley, the getaway Christmas means taking off for the wintry Sierras toting gifts and gear, small Richard, a German shepherd named Tokalosh, and an intrepid cat, Nuisance. Headquarters is an icicle-framed retreat just a short run from Squaw Valley. In this snug Christmas-card setting, festivities are relaxed and informal, all ages together.

Outdoors, the family spends long active days on the slopes, takes picnics along to enjoy on the deck of one of the valley gathering spots. Even 3-year-old Richard straps on skis and has a turn at the sport. His father Dick, a native Californian, schusses Olympic runs, while his mother, no slouch herself, keeps up with the best of them.

After-hours, at the friendly outgoing Scibirds', there's a continual round of drop-in entertaining. A parade to the door with chances that one family or more will stick around to sample one of Glenys's impromptu buffets. "We're always ready for guests," she says. "That's half the fun of being up here, you know. There's always a fire in the fireplace and potluck for everybody who comes. . . ."

Luminarias blaze in the snow, lighting the pathway on Christmas night. The Scibirds used Mexican tin wastebaskets with fat candles anchored inside.

"We couldn't have Christmas here without decorations," says Glenys, "but they're less elaborate than we'd have at home." Just armloads of greens, a flurry of paper snowflakes on windows, and a tree trimmed with popcorn balls, cookies, and candy for children.

Young Glenys Scibird plans something special for Christmas Day—an after-ski open house for a small army of friends. Through the late afternoon, families come and go, gathering by the fireplace to sip hot chocolate and stronger libations. Youngsters toast hot dogs and marshmallows over the coals and as an extra treat, pluck one of the edible ornaments from the homegrown tree. Grownups dip into a piping hot bowl of chili on a long table set as a buffet. (It's a hollow-core door covered with a brilliant foil wrapping paper.) Above the mantel, left, hangs a wide black felt banner studded with notebook paper snowflakes, one of the Scibirds's improvised decorations. On the small, round, felt-covered table candles burn in pretty makeshift holders, actually brass condiment dishes turned upside down.

THE GIFT

By Vera D. Hahn

Who says all your Christmas wrappings must be of the same mold, one looking just like the other except for size and shape? Why not a gift that says especially for you from me, one that in some way reflects the personality of the recipient? A fledgling cook will be beguiled by pictures of Christmas cookies, a favorite recipe, and wooden spoons to get her started. A little nature lover would love to get his gift in a cardboard box that's all dressed up to look like a frog. Or one that looks like a kite. Little girls will ooh and ah over a gift with a crayon pompon on top. Or one that looks like a giant bonbon. Little savers will fancy a piggy bank with honest-to-goodness pennies and nickels glued on. Teenagers will go for a dart board box covered in wild colors and real darts stuck on top. Or a sweatshirt box with "fabric-weave" paper and buttons. Or a psychedelic Santa with a bell on his tassel. For the men on your list try a golf ball nestled in grass made of fringed tissue paper or a burlap sack with his name stenciled on. All our ideas were designed for us by Hallmark and the wrapping papers are available wherever you live.

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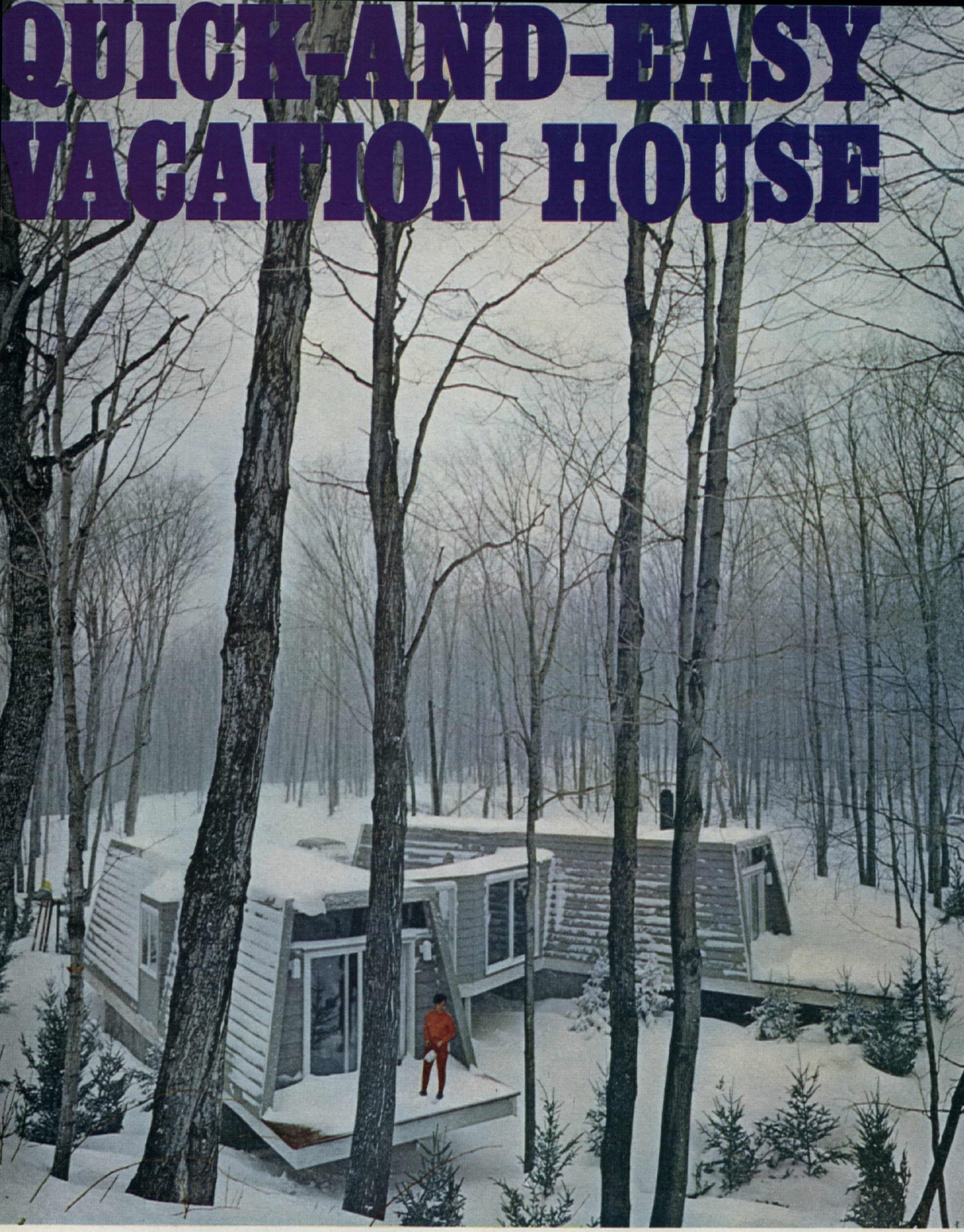
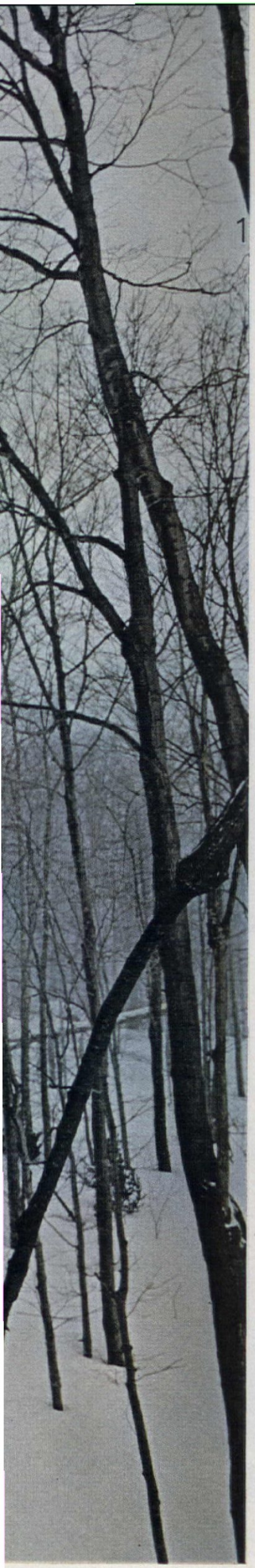
QUICK-AND-EASY VACATION HOUSE





1 *Snugly nestled into the snowy site, the ski house looks like it was custom built on the spot. Actually, it was delivered by truck and was ready to move into a day or two later.*

2 *The central, raised glass corridor connects the two wings. Other arrangements possible are a T-shape, U-shape, L-shape—whatever fits your land and view the best. The foundation is prepared in advance, then the house is delivered on a removable wheel base.*

3 *During the day, convertible bunk room acts as extra living room. Upper bunks fold up against wall. Tilted walls provide sturdy construction necessary for movable house. Indoor-outdoor carpeting sheds water and snow.*

4 *Bathroom with shower and supplementary miniature kitchen are tucked into space next to bunk room. Kitchen equipment is included in price of units.*

5 *The living room with prefab fireplace and paneling is an ideal spot for thawing out after a day on the slopes. In background is dining area and kitchen.*

6 *Vacation house has two baths, kitchen, and snack kitchen. Each segment of house is self-contained and set on its own foundation. Decks give a place to leave skis when entering, are excellent for summer sunbathing, outdoor barbecues.*

By Alan C. Borg

On Pico Peak in the ski country near Rutland, Vermont, there is a different kind of getaway cabin. It's not that its design is especially radical looking or that it was planned with any unusual occupants in mind. It's just that it was built somewhere else and brought here. You could almost pick the spot where you want to spend your holidays and order a house in time for the ski season. Soon to be available throughout the Northeast, this prototype, prefabricated vacation house will also be offered elsewhere as well. All you have to do is provide the land, plumbing, electric heating, and utility connections. Add landscaping, if you wish. The furnishings and appliances are all included in the cost, which is about $7000 for each wing. The house was developed as a joint project by Architect Robert Martin Englebrecht, and the Simpson Timber Company, along with other manufacturers. It is handsome and rugged looking, engineered to take the stress of travel by train, truck, or helicopter. The model shown here consists of two basic wings, connected by a glass corridor, and augmented with decks. The steps, (continued on page 82)

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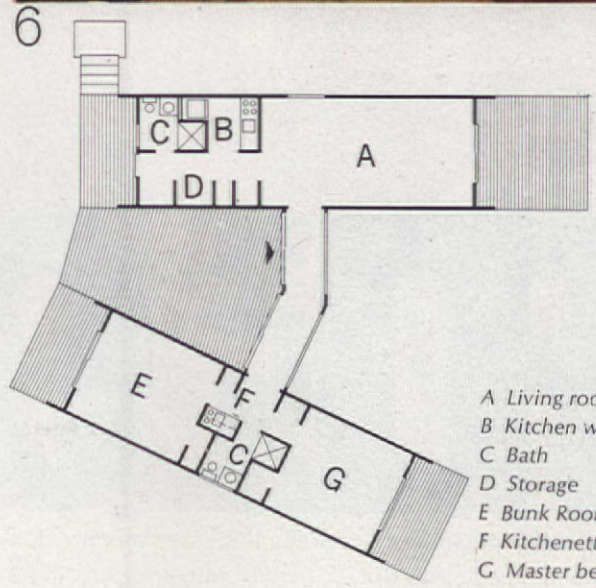

A Living room and dining area, 12x23'
B Kitchen with pass-through to dining area
C Bath
D Storage
E Bunk Room, 12x13'
F Kitchenette
G Master bedroom, 12x12'

THE GLOW

It wouldn't be Christmas without candles—candles thick as columns, textured, carved, gilded—candles slim and tapered like a stand of snowy birches planted in holders or intertwined in a festive wreath—candles glowing through towers and obelisks of pierced tin—candles in never before never-never-land shapes.

Shown on this page, clockwise from 9:00: Fantasy-size walnut and chestnut candles from Rosenthal-Netter, Inc. Foot-high candle lamp with crystal chimney from Fostoria. White and natural-wood candlesticks from Nancy Peterson. Lattice-wreath candle from Sun Glo.

Continuing clockwise opposite page: Mexican terra-cotta candle bowl from Faroy. Pottery bird candle holder from Brodegaard. Sterling-silver bell-shaped candlesticks from Reed and Barton. Three geometric candles from Faroy. Flower Staks from Van Dow-Fenton.
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Shown above clockwise from left: Pierced tin obelisk from Faroy. Banded candle from Sun Glo on teak candlestand from Colonial Candle Company of Cape Cod. Zodiac and textured candles by Bluegate from Pentland Gift Sources. Ambrosia candle (rear) from Colonial.

Tapestry candle by Bluegate from Pentland Gift Sources. Medallion pillar from Colonial. Small zodiac candle from Harriman Ltd. Oak candlestick from Jack Orenstein. Stained Glass holder from Faroy. Painted tin castle from Faroy. Crystal holders from Wheaton-Nuline.

THE GOODIES

Mm-m-m, do you see what we see? That's what we call cookie-er cookies. Cookies you can smell twenty giant-steps away. Cookies you can really sink your teeth into (minus one here and there). Cookies you can curl up with in a corner and "share" with your favorite stuffed bear.

Everybody who ever had a grandma knows what kind of cookies these are—the good old galluptious old-fashioned kind—chewy Soft Molasses Cookies, crunchy Gingersnaps, delectably crumbly Oatmeal Cookies, buttery Scotch Shortbreads, yummy-with-milk Hermits, deliciously light Lemon Crisps, and melt-in-your-mouth Sugar Cookies. They just don't make cookies like that any more! But why don't you—this very merry, mouth-watering Christmas? When the children come bursting in out of the cold and find Mother in the kitchen again—with flour on her nose and a flush on her cheeks and free samples still hot from the oven for one and all—that's when they know Christmas is *really* coming. Recipes on page 70.

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THE FEAST

COOKING LESSON NO. 14
CLASSIC BEEF COOKERY

By Virginia T. Habeeb

For the holidays this year, why not serve beef—but instead of the traditional Roast Ribs of Beef—make it Filet of Beef Wellington! This is a delicate tenderloin of beef, browned to perfection, coated with a savory mushroom filling, and wrapped in a tender, flaky pastry. Not only is it spectacular, it's elegantly delicious served with a rich Madeira sauce! Luckily for the busy holiday hostess, Filet of Beef Wellington can be prepared a day ahead. And along with Chef Jacques Jaffry's step-by-step instructions, this masterpiece of haute cuisine is easier than you think. Of course, you'll want to complete the meal with braised celery steamed in chicken broth and seasoned with onions, carrots, and bouquet garni. And serve a green salad and a good Bordeaux or Beaujolais.

FILET OF BEEF WELLINGTON

4-pound filet of beef, trimmed of all fat and skin and trussed for roasting
¼ cup pure vegetable oil
2 cups coarsely chopped onions (2 large)
1 cup sliced celery
½ cup dry sherry or Madeira
2 cans (10½ ounces each) beef broth
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1 tablespoon water
¼ cup minced shallots or green onions
¼ cup butter or margarine
1 pound mushrooms, very finely diced
½ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
4 to 5 tablespoons (2½ ounces) pâté or puree of goose liver
Pastry for 2-crust pie
1 egg yolk
1 tablespoon water

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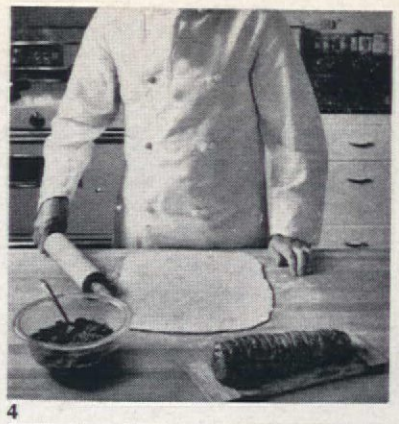
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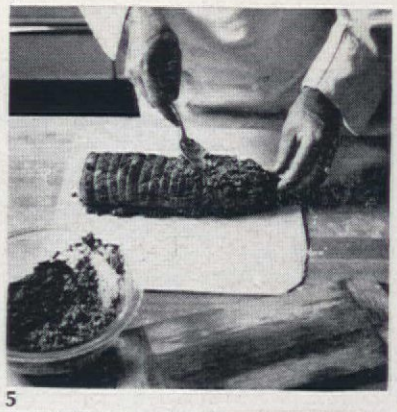
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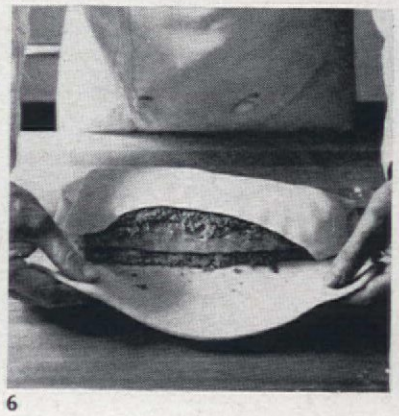
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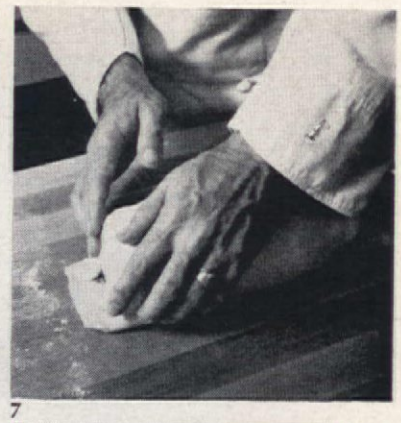
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1 The first thing to do is to brown the filet. I heat the oil in a roasting pan over medium heat, add the filet, brown it on all sides, then remove it and set it aside to cool for one hour.

The onions and celery are added to the fat remaining in the roasting pan and are cooked until they are slightly colored.

2 The fat in the pan is poured off and I add the sherry or Madeira, being careful to avert my face, and cook it for one minute. The beef broth is added and the mixture brought to boiling. I blend the cornstarch with 1 tablespoon of water, stir it into the mixture in the pan and continue stirring until the sauce has thickened. The sauce is allowed to simmer 10 to 15 minutes, the seasoning is corrected, and the sauce is strained and set aside until ready to heat and serve.

3 Now the filling is made. Cook the shallots or green onions 2 minutes in the butter or margarine in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the mushrooms, salt, and pepper and cook 7 to 8 minutes or until all the moisture disappears, stirring occasionally. Turn the mixture into a bowl and stir in the goose liver. Taste and correct the seasoning and cool 1 hour.

4 Next the crust. Prepare the pastry. Turn it out on a lightly floured surface and roll it out with a lightly floured rolling pin to a rectangle 3 to 4 inches longer than the filet and wide enough to encase it. Mine is about 15 inches wide.

5 We are ready to assemble the Wellington. Spoon about a third of the mushroom mixture down the center of the pastry rectangle. Untruss the filet and place it over the mushroom mixture, then spoon the rest of the mixture onto the filet, patting it in place, if necessary.

6 To encase the filet, I bring one side of the pastry up and over the filet, then lift and bring the opposite side up and over. Moisten the long edge and press it firmly to seal it.

7 The ends are moistened, tucked in, and pressed together to seal firmly closed.

8 Pick up the filet with both hands and place it on an ungreased cookie sheet with the seam side down.

9 To let the steam escape during baking, I make a small hole in each end and two or three on top. Cut designs from the pastry scraps—I cut leaves with a pastry wheel. Moisten them and arrange them on the filet. At this point, you may cover the filet with aluminum foil and refrigerate it overnight. If you do, let it stand at room temperature for 20 minutes before baking. Either way, just before baking, beat the egg yolk and 1 tablespoon of water and brush it over the pastry and designs. Bake at 425° F. for 30 minutes. Remove it from the cookie sheet carefully with 2 broad spatulas and let it stand 20 minutes before slicing. Heat the wine sauce and serve it in a sauceboat. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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BAKE AN ALMOND CROWN COFFEE CAKE

If you'd been on the spot to taste the fragrant goodness of our Almond Crown Coffee Cake as it came from the oven you would have raved. Here is an old-fashioned sweet yeast dough that you let rise once, punch, and let rise again. Then you roll and spread it with the smooth, delicate crushed almond filling and shape it into a ring in an angel-cake pan. What rises is the tastiest holiday bread in years! Try it for a gala brunch, a coffee klatch, or a Christmas-morning treat.

DOUGH
1 cup milk
1½ teaspoons salt
¾ cup sugar
¾ cup softened butter or margarine
¼ cup warm water (105° to 115° F.)
2 packages active dry yeast or 2 cakes compressed yeast
2 eggs
6½ to 7 cups sifted all-purpose flour

FILLING
¼ cup butter or margarine
½ cup sugar
1½ teaspoons almond extract
¾ cup ground, blanched almonds

GLAZE
1 egg yolk
2 teaspoons water

Prepare dough: Combine milk, salt, sugar, and butter or margarine in saucepan. Heat until bubbles appear around edge; cool to lukewarm. Measure warm water into large mixing bowl. Sprinkle or crumble in yeast; stir to dissolve. Add lukewarm milk mixture and eggs. Add 4 cups flour; beat until smooth. Stir in 2 cups flour. Dough will be very sticky. Flour board with part of remaining flour, turn dough out. Work just enough flour into dough with spatula or hands until it handles easily. Knead about 5 minutes or until smooth and elastic. Put dough into large greased bowl; turn over to bring greased side up; cover with damp towel. Let rise in warm place (85° F.), free from draft, 1 to 1½ hours or until doubled in bulk. Punch dough down; let rise 30 minutes or until doubled.

While dough rises, prepare filling: Cream butter or margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Add extract and almonds; beat until smooth.

Punch dough down; turn out onto floured board; knead to distribute air bubbles. Roll out to 14x16-inch rectangle. Spread evenly with filling. Roll up, jelly-roll fashion, starting from longer side. Shape into ring; join ends; pinch to seal. Place in lightly greased 10-inch tube pan. Clip with scissors from outside to about two thirds way toward center. Repeat cuts at 1-inch intervals around ring. Cover with damp towel. Let rise 1 hour or until doubled in bulk. Beat egg yolk and water for glaze; brush on ring. Bake at 350° F. for 50 minutes or until golden. Remove from pan; cool on wire rack. Garnish with almond halves, if desired.

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FROSTED MEAT LOAF

- 1½ pounds ground beef
- 1 can Campbell's Golden Mushroom Soup
- 1 cup small bread cubes
- ¼ cup finely chopped onion
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- ½ teaspoon salt
- Generous dash pepper
- 2 cups mashed potatoes
- ¼ cup water
- 1 to 2 tablespoons drippings

Mix thoroughly beef, ½ cup soup, bread, onion, egg, salt, and pepper. Shape *firmly* into loaf; place in shallow baking pan. Bake at 350°F. for one hour. Frost loaf with potatoes; bake 15 minutes more. Blend remaining soup, water, and drippings. Heat. Serve with loaf. 4 to 6 servings.

MINI MEAT LOAF WITH SPAGHETTI

- 1 pound ground beef
- ¼ cup bread crumbs
- ¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- ¾ cup finely chopped onion
- 1½ teaspoons oregano, crushed
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 2 cans (10¾ ounces each) Campbell's Tomato Soup
- 1 tablespoon shortening
- ½ cup water
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 4 cups cooked spaghetti (about 8 ounces uncooked)

Combine beef, bread crumbs, cheese, egg, ¼ cup onion, ½ teaspoon oregano, salt, 2 tablespoons soup. Mix thoroughly; shape into 4 small loaves. In skillet, brown loaves in shortening; add remaining ingredients except spaghetti. Cover; cook over low heat 30 minutes. Stir now and then. Serve over spaghetti. 4 servings.

CROWNING GLORY

- 1 can Campbell's Cheddar Cheese Soup
- 1½ pounds ground beef
- ⅓ cup finely chopped onion
- ¼ cup quick-cooking rice, *uncooked*
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 strips bacon, cut in half

Combine ½ can soup with remaining ingredients except bacon. Mix *thoroughly*. In shallow baking dish (13x9x2"), shape firmly into ring (2 inches high with 4-inch opening). Place bacon on ring. Bake at 350°F. for 1 hour. Spoon off fat. Top loaf with remaining soup. Bake 5 minutes more. 4 to 6 servings.

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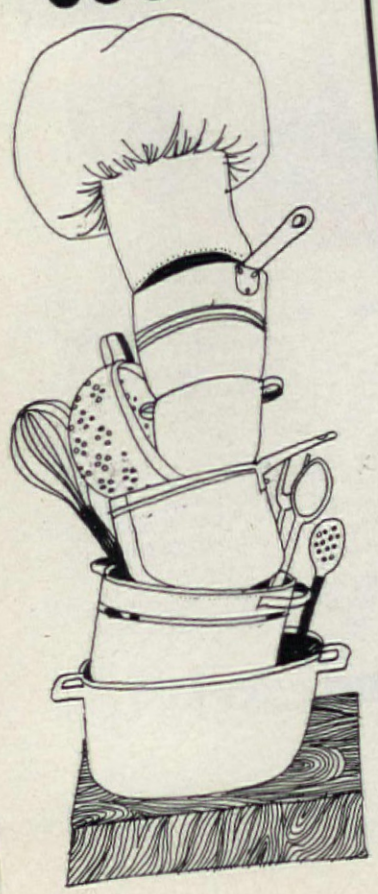


When the holiday feasting is over, there are any number of ways to use the leftover turkey—and everyone has a favorite. One particularly good recipe for the last of the bird is croquettes. These tasty morsels, crisp on the outside and creamy on the inside, when prepared correctly, make a delicious repast. They do take time for they must stand at two different times, but if you follow the recipe and remember these tips, you'll find them worth the effort.

• The mixture for croquettes is based on the proportion of 2 cups of minced solids and ¾ cup heavy white sauce. The solids can be meat, poultry, fish, or vegetables and they should always be well drained.

• To shape croquettes, the mixture should be firm enough to handle. This is where the first chilling comes. The mixture must be spread in a greased, shallow pan and chilled until firm. Then it can be cut or formed into the desired shape. This could be logs, squares, patties, small balls, or cones.

• Coating the croquettes is one of the most important steps, for the coating seals the croquette and keeps the fat from penetrating during cooking. If this were to happen, the croquette would become soggy. The coating should be done evenly so the filling won't ooze out during cooking. After they are coated, they should stand an hour or so on a wire rack to let the coating set so it will cling during cooking. When the filling is a particularly creamy one, you can give them a second coating. Let the first one dry about 10 minutes, coat them again, then let them stand to dry and set.

• Croquettes may be fried in fat or oil heated to 375° F. Years ago this was always done in deep fat. But it can be done in 1½ to 2 inches of fat just as easily (and more economically). Or, if you have made them into patties, they can be done in a skillet in shallow fat. They should be cooked until evenly browned on all sides, then drained on paper towels. They can be kept warm in a 300° F. oven or reheated at 400° F.

TURKEY CROQUETTES

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
¼ cup all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
1 cup milk
2 cups finely chopped turkey
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

1. Heat butter or margarine in medium-size saucepan.
2. Add onion. Cook 3 to 5 minutes or until onion is soft. Remove from heat.
3. Add flour, salt, and pepper. Stir until smooth and blended.
4. Add milk gradually, stirring to keep mixture smooth.
5. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and comes to boiling. Boil 1 minute. Remove from heat.
6. Add turkey and parsley. Stir until completely mixed.
7. Grease an 8x8x2-inch pan lightly.

8. Turn turkey mixture into pan. Spread it evenly. Chill several hours.

9. Shape turkey mixture into logs or into small balls. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Coating

Croquettes may be coated in any of the following ways.

COATING MIXTURE I

1 cup packaged bread crumbs
1 egg
1 tablespoon water

1. Put bread crumbs in a shallow dish —a pie plate or soup plate is good.
2. Beat egg and water together and put in second shallow dish.
3. Dust croquettes lightly with bread crumbs.
4. Dip in egg mixture.

5. Roll in bread crumbs to coat them well.
6. Place on wire rack. Let stand for about an hour to dry.

COATING MIXTURE II

Instead of dusting croquettes with packaged bread crumbs, dust them with flour. Then dip in egg mixture and bread crumbs and let stand as above.

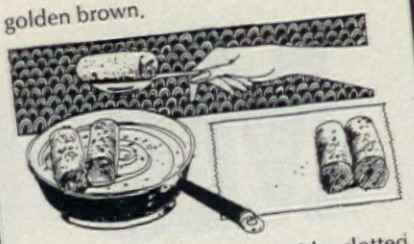
COATING MIXTURE III

1 package seasoned coating mix for chicken
Milk

1. Put seasoned mix in shallow dish.
2. Brush croquettes with milk.
3. Roll in mix to coat well.
4. Set on wire rack. Let stand 1 hour to dry.

Fried Croquettes

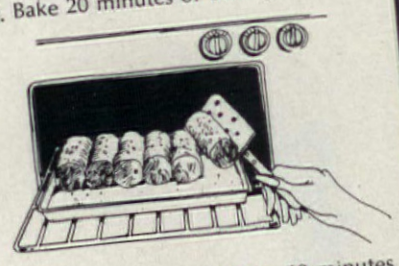
1. Line a tray or shallow pan with paper towels.
2. Heat oven to 300° F.
3. Put enough fat or oil into skillet or deep saucepan so it will be 1 to 1½ inches deep when heated.
4. Clip deep fat thermometer to side of pan.
5. Heat fat or oil to 375° F.
6. Fry coated, chilled croquettes, a few at a time, 3 to 5 minutes or until golden brown.



7. Remove croquettes with slotted spoon. Place on paper-towel-lined tray or pan to drain.
8. Place in oven to keep hot while frying remaining croquettes.

Baked Croquettes

1. Heat oven to 400° F.
2. Arrange coated, chilled croquettes on cookie sheet.
3. Bake 20 minutes or until golden.



4 Turn with spatula. Bake 10 minutes longer or until second side is golden.

Sauces

Serve croquettes with a sauce. You can use canned chicken or mushroom sauce or any of the many sauce mixes that are available in the supermarket, or you can make one of your own.

CHEESE SAUCE

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 tablespoons flour
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon dry mustard
⅛ teaspoon pepper
1½ teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1 cup milk
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

1. Melt butter or margarine in saucepan. Remove from heat.
2. Blend in flour, salt, mustard, and pepper. Stir in Worcestershire.
3. Add milk gradually, stirring to keep mixture smooth.
4. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and comes to boiling. Stir in cheese until it melts. Makes 1 cup.

SAVORY WHITE SAUCE

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 tablespoon chopped green pepper
1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
2 tablespoons flour
½ teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
1 cup milk
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento

1. Melt butter or margarine in saucepan. Stir in green pepper and onion; cook 5 minutes. Remove from heat.
2. Blend in flour, salt, and pepper.
3. Add milk gradually, stirring to keep mixture smooth.
4. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and boils. Add pimiento. Makes 1 cup.

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Cookies

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SOFT MOLASSES COOKIES

2½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
¼ teaspoon salt
½ cup softened butter or margarine
½ cup sugar
½ cup molasses
1 egg
¼ cup cold water
1 cup raisins

Heat oven to 375° F. Sift flour, baking soda, ginger, cinnamon, and salt together. Beat butter or margarine, sugar, molasses, and egg together in bowl until light and fluffy. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with cold water, beat until blended; stir in raisins. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls about 2 inches apart onto lightly greased cookie sheets. Bake 10 to 12 minutes. Remove cookies from baking sheets; transfer to wire racks; cool. Makes about 3 dozen.

HIGHLAND OATMEAL COOKIES

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon baking soda
1 cup softened butter or margarine
1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
½ cup granulated sugar
1 egg
2 teaspoons vanilla
¼ cup water
½ cup chopped nuts
1 cup raisins
2½ cups rolled oats
Pecan halves

Heat oven to 375° F. Sift flour, cinnamon, salt, and baking soda together Beat butter or margarine, sugars, egg, and vanilla until light and fluffy. Stir in water. Add sifted dry ingredients; blend. Stir in nuts and raisins; stir in rolled oats, 1 cup at a time; mix well. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls about 2 inches apart onto lightly greased cookie sheets. Press a pecan half into the top of each cookie. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Transfer to wire racks; cool. Makes about 4 dozen.

LEMON CRISPS

3½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
¾ cup softened butter or margarine
1 cup sugar
1 egg
1 egg yolk
1 tablespoon grated lemon rind
3 tablespoons lemon juice
Butter
Sugar

Heat oven to 375° F. Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together. Beat butter or margarine, 1 cup sugar, egg, egg yolk, and lemon rind and juice together in bowl until light and fluffy; mix in sifted dry ingredients. Pinch off small pieces of dough; roll gently between palms of hands into balls about 1 inch in diameter. Place about 2 inches apart on lightly greased cookie sheets. Butter bottom of water tumbler; dip in sugar; press cookie down carefully until about ½ inch thick. Repeat with each ball of dough. Bake 12 to 15 minutes. Transfer to wire racks; cool. Makes about 3 dozen.

SCOTCH SHORTBREAD

2½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
¾ cup sugar
1 cup butter or margarine
Candied cherries, halved

Heat oven to 325° F. Sift flour and sugar together into bowl. Cut butter or margarine in small pieces into flour mixture. Mix in with fingers until stiff dough forms. Roll out ½ inch thick on floured surface; cut into small, fancy shapes. Place shortbread about 1 inch apart onto lightly greased cookie sheets. Press cherry half in center of each cookie. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes or until golden brown. Transfer to wire racks; cool. Makes 3 dozen.

OLD-FASHIONED GINGERSNAPS

2½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
2 teaspoons ground ginger
¼ teaspoon ground cloves
¼ teaspoon salt
⅓ cup softened butter or margarine
¾ cup sugar
1 egg
½ cup molasses
Sugar

Sift flour, baking soda, ginger, cloves, and salt together. Beat butter or margarine, ¾ cup sugar, egg, and molasses together in bowl until light and fluffy. Mix in sifted dry ingredients. Cover. Chill at least 1 hour. Heat oven to 350° F. Pinch off small pieces of dough; roll between palms of hands into 1-inch balls. Dip in sugar to coat; place on greased cookie sheets. Press down carefully with spatula. Bake 12 to 15 minutes. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheet. Remove from cookie sheet with wide spatula; place on wire racks to cool. Makes about 3½ dozen.

HERMITS

1 cup butter or margarine
2 cups brown sugar, firmly packed
2 eggs
½ cup cool, brewed coffee
4½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon
2 cups raisins, coarsely chopped
1½ cups chopped walnuts

Heat oven to 400° F. Beat butter or margarine, sugar, and eggs together until well blended. Stir in coffee. Sift flour, baking soda, salt, nutmeg, and cinnamon together Blend into shortening mixture. Stir in raisins and walnuts. Drop mixture by rounded teaspoonfuls, about 2 inches apart, onto greased cookie sheets. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until cookie feels almost firm. Transfer cookies to wire racks. Cool. Makes about 7 dozen.

OLD-FASHIONED SUGAR COOKIES

4½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
2½ teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup softened butter or margarine
1½ cups sugar
2 eggs
3 teaspoons vanilla
Sugar

Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together. Beat butter or margarine, sugar, eggs, and vanilla in bowl until light and fluffy; add sifted dry ingredients gradually; blend thoroughly. Roll dough into large ball. Wrap in wax paper. Chill at least 1 hour. Heat oven to 400° F. Divide dough in half; return one half to refrigerator until ready to use. Roll out dough onto lightly floured board with floured rolling pin to ⅛-inch thickness. Cut with fancy-shaped cookie cutters. Place on lightly greased cookie sheets. Sprinkle with sugar. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until edges are golden. Transfer immediately to wire racks to cool. Makes 4 dozen.

CINNAMON-SUGAR COOKIES

3¾ cups sifted all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons cream of tartar
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup butter or margarine
1½ cups sugar
2 eggs
1 egg white, slightly beaten
2 tablespoons sugar
1 tablespoon ground cinnamon

Heat oven to 350° F. Sift flour, cream of tartar, baking soda, and salt together. Beat butter or margarine, 1½ cups sugar, and eggs together in bowl until light and fluffy. Add sifted dry ingredients; blend. Shape dough into small balls; dip one side in egg white, then in mixture of 2 tablespoons sugar and cinnamon. Place about 2 inches apart on greased cookie sheets, sugar side up; press down centers with tines of fork. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Transfer to wire racks; cool. Makes about 5 dozen.

Fondue

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For your fondue party, all the work is in the planning and ahead-of-time preparation. Select the dishes and utensils you need; prepare the sauces, the condiments, and the meat; get the table set; and the party is ready to begin.

WHAT YOU NEED

The main utensil will be the fondue pot. It is best to have one pot for every four persons, for it can become confusing and crowded if there are more than that many forks in the hot oil at the same time. There are special fondue sets available and they may be stainless steel, copper, enamelware, or cast iron. They will have a burner that uses either denatured alcohol or small cans of Sterno, both available at hardware stores. If you don't have a fondue pot, you can use a chafing dish or an electric skillet.

Because there is bound to be a small amount of spattering or dripping of oil as you and your guests cook, be sure to place the fondue pot on a surface that can be washed or cleaned easily. Cleaning up will be easier if you remember this precaution, even though many pots come with a tray or can be set on a large, colorful pot holder.

The table should be set as usual. The fondue fork is used only for cooking, not for eating, so each person will need a regular set of utensils. There should be dishes or bowls for the dipping sauces and condiments. There are several ways to do these, depending on the space you have. They may be put in small bowls so each person has a set, or a set between each two people. Or there may be just one bowl of each to be passed around before the cooking starts. Then some of each sauce and condiment is spooned onto one's plate. There are special fondue dishes that have sections for the meat and sauces.

For cooking, each person needs a fondue fork. This is a long-handled, two-tine fork used to spear the cube of meat, immerse it in the oil and leave it to cook. Or you can use a three-tine fork as shown on page 53.

HOW IT'S DONE

Once the table is set and the guests assembled, put a 1½-inch depth of pure vegetable oil into the fondue pot and heat it in the kitchen. Light the burner of your fondue set and set the pot of hot oil on it.

Each guest spears a piece of meat with the fondue fork, dips it into the oil and lets it cook. It is removed from the oil, the meat transferred to the plate, and another piece speared to be cooked as the first one is eaten. The cooked one is dipped into a sauce with your dinner fork, sprinkled with a condiment, and eaten.

THE MEAT

You may serve one kind of meat or a combination of two or three. Shown on page 53 are beef, chicken, and calves' liver. These may be cooked in the same oil without affecting the flavor of the oil.

Plan on having 8 ounces of meat for each guest—2 pounds for four. Thus, if you serve one kind of meat you will need the following (for a combination make the adjustment accordingly).

Beef: 2 pounds tenderloin, short loin, or sirloin, cut in ¾- to 1-inch cubes. Spear and cook in hot oil to desired degree of doneness: 20 seconds for rare to about 1 minute for well done.

Calves' Liver: 2 pounds calves' liver, cut in ¾- to 1-inch cubes. Cook as for beef.

Chicken: 4 chicken breasts, boned, skinned, and cut into ¾-inch cubes. Pat dry; cook as for beef.

Marinated Chicken: Combine ⅓ cup soy sauce, ¼ cup dry sherry, and ¼ teaspoon ground ginger. Bone, skin, and cube chicken breasts; place in bowl. Pour marinade over chicken; cover. Chill 1 hour. Just before serving, drain and dry on paper towels. Cook as above.

THE DIPPING SAUCES

The number of sauces you serve is entirely up to you. And you can be as imaginative as you like by mixing any number of ingredients with bottled sauces. Don't forget all the accompaniments you can also buy, open, and use, such as pickles, relishes and preserved fruit. Here are eight sauces that are compatible with all three meats from which to select.

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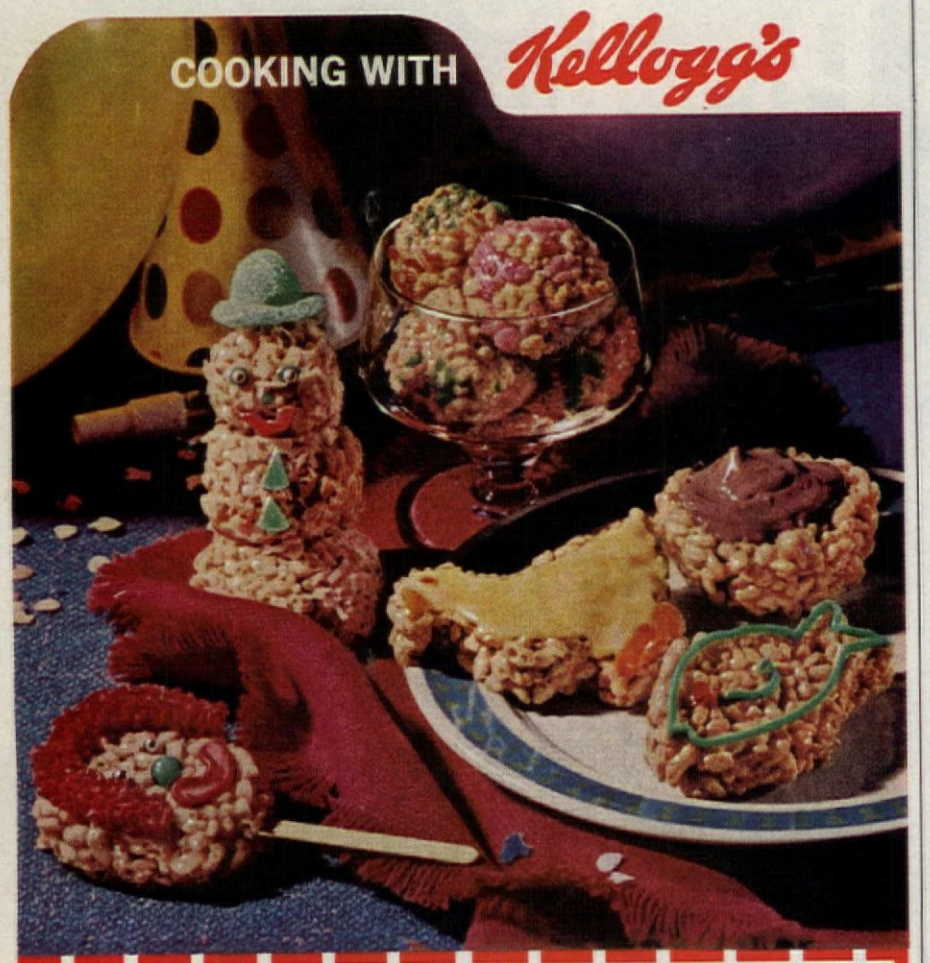

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Melt butter in 3-quart saucepan. Add marshmallows and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until marshmallows are melted and mixture is syrupy. Remove from heat. Add Rice Krispies cereal and stir until well-coated. Shape with buttered hands.

CLOWN POPS—Shape warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture to form 12 flat-bottomed ovals; insert wooden skewers. When cool, decorate with frosting and cooky decorations to make clown faces.

SURPRISE BALLS—Shape warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture to form 24 balls around surprise centers of a gumdrop, raisins, marshmallow, walnut half, pitted date, or candied cherry. Roll in colored sugar; cool.

PUDDIN' TART SHELLS—Press thin layer of warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture into buttered muffin pan cups to form tart shells. Let stand until firm, remove from pans. Fill with ice cream, pudding, or fresh fruit.

SNOWMEN—Shape warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture to form 3 balls of decreasing size for each snowman; roll in coconut. When cool, put balls together with thick confectioners sugar frosting to make snowmen; decorate with raisins and cinnamon candies.

TOY ANIMALS—Press warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture into buttered shallow pans in a layer about one-half-inch thick. When cool, cut with animal cooky cutters. Decorate as desired.

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BÉARNAISE SAUCE

⅔ cup cider or tarragon vinegar
2 tablespoons chopped shallots or green onions
2 tablespoons leaf tarragon, crumbled
1 teaspoon peppercorns, crushed
4 egg yolks
1½ cups melted butter or margarine
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Combine vinegar, shallots or green onions, tarragon, and peppercorns in top of double boiler. Bring to boiling over medium heat. Boil rapidly until mixture is reduced to the consistency of a syrup. Remove from heat; cool slightly. Add egg yolks. Place over hot, not boiling, water. Beat until mixture is consistency of white sauce. Remove from heat. Make sure melted butter or margarine and vinegar-egg mixture are at about the same temperature. Add only the clear part of melted butter or margarine to vinegar mixture, spoonful by spoonful, beating constantly. Correct seasoning. Strain through sieve. Add chopped parsley. Makes about 1½ cups.

SAUCE DUXELLES

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 cups finely diced mushrooms
2 tablespoons minced onion
½ cup dry Madeira or sherry wine
1 can (10½ ounces) beef broth or consommé
1 dash of pepper
2 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon melted butter or margarine

Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in skillet over medium heat. Add mushrooms and onion; cook, stirring frequently, 5 minutes. Add wine, cook 1 minute. Add beef broth and pepper. Simmer 5 minutes or until liquid is reduced to half. Make beurre manie by mixing flour with 1 tablespoon melted butter. Add to sauce, stirring until sauce thickens. Correct seasoning to taste. Makes about 3 cups.

SAUCE REMOULADE

1 teaspoon prepared mustard
2 tablespoons well-drained capers, minced
2 tablespoons minced sour gherkins or pickles
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
1 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing

Combine all ingredients. Chill. Makes about 1 cup.

ONION SAUCE

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 cups thinly sliced onions (2 medium)
¼ cup cider vinegar
1 can (10½ ounces) beef broth or consommé
1 tablespoon flour
Salt
Pepper

Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in small saucepan over medium heat. Add onions; cook, stirring occasionally, until golden brown. Add vinegar; cook 1 minute. Add beef broth; bring to boiling. Simmer 5 minutes. Make beurre manie by mixing flour with remaining 1 tablespoon melted butter or margarine. Add to sauce, stirring until sauce thickens. Correct seasoning to taste with salt and pepper. Makes about 2 cups.

MUSTARD SAUCE

1 tablespoon prepared mustard
1 tablespoon cider vinegar
Dash of pepper
1 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing

Combine mustard, vinegar, and pepper in bowl. Add mayonnaise or salad dressing. Mix well. Makes about 1 cup.

PUNGENT PEACH SAUCE

½ cup chutney, finely chopped
1 cup peach preserves
1 tablespoon sugar
2 tablespoons vinegar

Combine all ingredients in small saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until bubbling. Chill. Makes about 1½ cups.

PIQUANTE SAUCE

2 tablespoons minced shallots or green onions
½ cup cider vinegar
1 can (10½ ounces) beef broth or consommé
1 tablespoon tomato paste
1 tablespoon flour
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
Dash of pepper
½ cup chopped sour gherkins

Combine shallots or green onions and vinegar in small saucepan. Bring to boiling. Cook until vinegar is reduced to approximately 2 tablespoons. Add beef broth and tomato paste. Bring to boiling. Make beurre manie by mixing flour with melted butter or margarine. Simmer 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Add pepper and gherkins. Correct seasoning to taste. Makes about 1½ cups.

STANLEY SAUCE

¼ cup butter or margarine
2 cups finely minced onions (2 large)
½ teaspoon curry powder
1 teaspoon flour
1 cup heavy cream
½ teaspoon salt

Melt butter or margarine in skillet over medium heat. Add onions, cook, stirring frequently, until soft and golden. Sprinkle with curry powder and flour; stir well. Stir in cream and salt bring to boiling. Simmer 5 minutes. Correct seasoning. Makes about 3 cups.

THE CONDIMENTS

These, as with curry dishes, add zest and interest to the meat. Choose from these:
Chopped almonds or peanuts
Chopped hard-cooked eggs
Chopped onion or green onions
Chopped parsley
Chopped green pepper or pimiento
Chopped chives
Coconut
Wheat condiment (recipe below)

WHEAT CONDIMENT

½ cup bulgur (wheat pilaf)
Cold water
½ cup chopped green onions
¼ cup chopped parsley
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon

Soak bulgur in cold water for 1 hour. Drain thoroughly. Combine with remaining ingredients in bowl. Mix well. Makes about 1¼ cups.

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Stouffer's could make Alaska King Crab Newburg with shreds of crab instead of meaty chunks.

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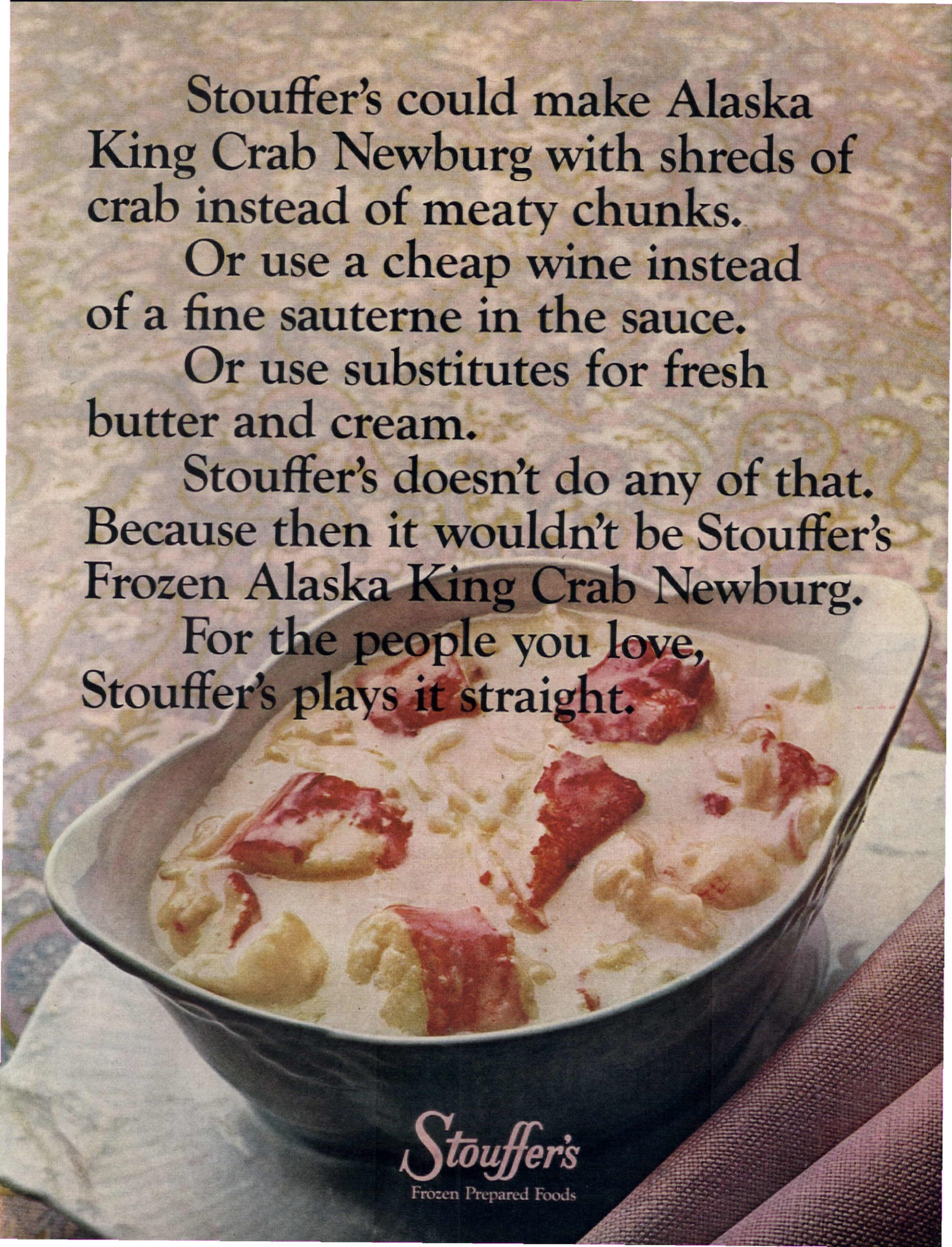

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Christmas Eve is a very special part of Christmas. Families travel far and wide to be together, and close friends gather to toast the holiday season. Whether your guests be family or friends, a light supper will be most welcome. Our homemade Lobster Bisque takes advantage of frozen lobster tails that are so easy to prepare. Serve the bisque with salad and assorted cheeses, and follow it with rich Holiday Prune Pudding in the old-fashioned tradition. This is an easy steamed pudding that can be made in advance, wrapped in foil, and reheated in the oven before serving. Happy Holidays!

Lobster Bisque*
Mixed Green Salad
Assorted Cheeses and Crackers
Holiday Prune Pudding with Lemon Sauce*
Coffee

LOBSTER BISQUE

⅔ cup butter or margarine
1 pound small frozen lobster tails, each cut in 2 or 3 pieces
2 medium-size carrots, pared and diced
2 cups diced onions (2 medium)
3 sprigs parsley
1 bay leaf
⅛ teaspoon leaf thyme, crumbled
2 tablespoons brandy
½ cup white wine
2 cans (13¾ ounces each) chicken broth
¼ cup tomato paste
¾ cup all-purpose flour
2 cups light cream
1 quart milk
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons brandy

Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in large, heavy saucepan. Add lobster pieces. Sauté, stirring occasionally, about 5 minutes or until shells turn red. Add vegetables and herbs; cook until vegetables are tender. Add 2 tablespoons brandy and wine; cook 1 minute. Add chicken broth and tomato paste; bring to boiling; simmer 8 to 10 minutes. Remove lobster pieces with slotted spoon; cool and remove meat from the shells; dice meat; reserve. Return shells to saucepan. Melt remaining butter or margarine in saucepan over medium heat; stir in flour; cook 1 minute, stirring constantly. Add cream, milk; salt, and pepper. Bring to boiling, stirring constantly. Simmer 5 minutes. Mix with broth mixture. Simmer 30 minutes. Strain. Add lobster and 2 tablespoons brandy. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Note: Brandy and wine may be omitted.

HOLIDAY PRUNE PUDDING WITH LEMON SAUCE

1 cup finely cut prunes
½ cup shortening
1 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
2 eggs
½ teaspoon grated lemon rind
2½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
1½ teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon salt

Simmer prunes in water to cover for 3 minutes; drain; reserve ¼ cup of the cooking liquid. Cool. Butter and dust a 6-cup mold with sugar. Beat shortening, brown sugar, eggs, and lemon rind until fluffy. Sift flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt together. Add dry ingredients alternately with reserved liquid to shortening-sugar mixture. Stir prunes into the batter. Spoon into mold. Cover with lightly greased aluminum foil, leaving a loose pouch on top to allow pudding to expand; tie foil around mold. Do not let foil touch pudding. Place mold on rack in deep kettle half full of boiling water; cover. Be certain mold rests firmly on rack. Steam 2 hours over medium heat (water should bubble gently). Remove from kettle; let stand 5 minutes; unmold. Serve warm with Lemon Sauce.

LEMON SAUCE: Combine 2 teaspoons grated lemon rind, ⅓ cup lemon juice, 1 cup sugar, and ⅓ cup butter or margarine in saucepan. Cook over low heat until smooth. Remove from heat. Beat in 2 slightly beaten eggs. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, 5 minutes or until thickened. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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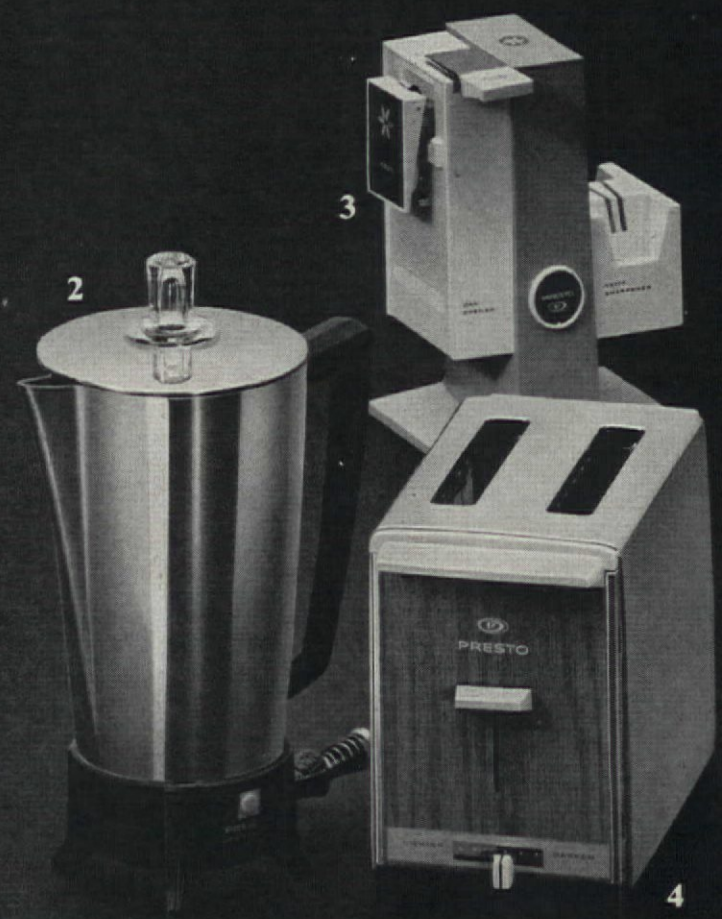

SPICY CHUTNEYS

Anyone who has eaten or served curry knows that one of the usual accompanying condiments is chutney. Yet it serves other dishes with equal zest . . . chicken, steak, lamb, and particularly mild-flavored foods like pork and veal. This well-seasoned relish which originated in India is made from a mixture of chopped fruits, seasonings, and spices. Many people believe it must be made of mangoes, but there are many kinds of chutneys. Here are recipes for three that are easy to make. They will make wonderful presents from your kitchen.

MIXED FRUIT CHUTNEY

The tartness of the apricots and the zip of the spices make this perfect for curry or poultry.

2 tablespoons mixed pickling spices
1 pound apples, pared, cored, and diced
½ pound pitted prunes, cut up
1 cup cider vinegar
1 package (8 ounces) dried apricots, cut up
1½ cups brown sugar, firmly packed
1½ teaspoons salt
1 large clove of garlic, minced

Tie pickling spices in double thickness of cheesecloth. Combine all ingredients in large saucepan. Bring to boiling. Mixture will be thick. Reduce heat. Simmer 1 hour, stirring frequently, until soft. Discard spices. Spoon into hot sterilized jars. Seal. Makes 6 half pints.

PEAR CHUTNEY

A delicious chutney of delicate pears sparked with the tang of ginger and a subtle blending of spices that goes well with all meats.

½ teaspoon whole allspice
½ teaspoon whole cloves
10 cups sliced (about ¼ inch thick), cored and pared pears (4 to 5 pounds)
1½ cups seedless raisins
½ cup finely chopped green pepper
4 cups sugar
½ cup chopped crystallized ginger (3-ounce package)
3 cups cider vinegar
½ teaspoon salt
2 two-inch pieces stick cinnamon

Tie allspice and cloves in double thickness of cheesecloth. Combine all ingredients in large saucepan. Leave uncovered. Bring to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer slowly 1 hour or until thick. Discard spices. Spoon into hot sterilized jars. Seal. Makes 8 half pints.

CRANBERRY RAISIN CHUTNEY

In addition to using this as a main-course accompaniment, try it as a spread on hot quick breads.

1 cup seedless raisins, chopped
1 package (8 ounces) pitted dates, chopped
2 cans (1 pound each) whole cranberry sauce
¾ cup sugar
¾ cup cider vinegar
¼ teaspoon ground ginger
¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
¼ teaspoon ground allspice
⅛ teaspoon ground cloves
⅛ teaspoon salt

Combine all ingredients in 3-quart saucepan. Cook, uncovered, over low heat, stirring occasionally, 20 to 30 minutes or until thick. Spoon into hot sterilized jars. Seal. Makes 6 half pints.

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A PLEASANT, SPACIOUS KITCHEN

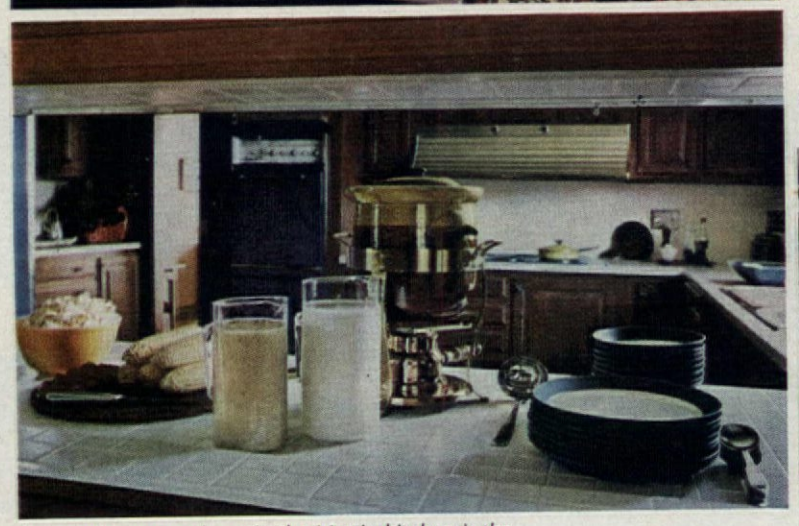
Kitchens have a special atmosphere this time of the year. Maybe it's the aroma of holiday baking that seems to linger on, or the bustle of entertaining that adds excitement to the air. Even year-round family foods take on a festive air! That's the feeling we got in the kitchen of the John C. Martins of Dayton, Ohio. The warmth of the cherished Oriental rug, the comfortable spaciousness of the room openly welcomed us.

Practically speaking, it's a good kitchen for the holidays too, taking on all the extra activity with ease. It's a design where the making of Christmas cookies wouldn't overwhelm you, the preparations for a holiday feast can be comfortably spread out.

This kitchen is very personally Nancy Martin's. For, as she says, "I was tired of working in kitchens where I fitted myself and my things into someone else's space." So after her husband John (chief engineer for Frigidaire) planned the placement of equipment in the kitchen of their new home, he handed the floor plans over to Nancy to complete the kitchen planning job. She carefully measured pots, pans, and large storables; calculated space in drawers and cabinets; and decided what would go where. The result—a roomy, spacious, and comfortable kitchen—a kitchen where everything is stored where it is most convenient, where not one item is stacked, where duplicates, even triplicates of utensils are on hand in order to fully equip each area, where storage and work areas complement one another to make working in this kitchen at holiday time or any time a simple, enjoyable task.

Cooking in the Martin home includes trying out engineering innovations such as the experimental broiling rack (left). Nancy also tries out some of the proposed new appliance colors.

Utility closets (above) line one wall (they actually face the U-shape kitchen work area). Snack foods are stored near to the entry from the family room; pantry foods near refrigerator-freezer; linens, serving utensils near dining room entry.



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Among the many pluses in the Martin kitchen is the built-in mix center (above, right) and the family room pass through (above, left). Nancy often plans a dinner to include her good corn chowder served with blender-mixed popovers (recipes below). Another favorite of the Martins (also from the mix center but using a different attachment) is steamed, shredded carrots.

CORN CHOWDER

1 can (1 pound) cream-style corn
2 cups milk or half-and-half
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
Salt
Pepper

Combine corn, milk or half-and-half, and butter or margarine in saucepan. Bring just to boiling. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Garnish with diced pimiento, popcorn, or chopped parsley, if desired for added zest and appeal.

For variation, you may add canned whole kernel corn or fresh corn kernels cut from tne cob before heating.

BLENDER POPOVERS

Preheat oven to 450° F. and grease 12 muffin cups (Nancy puts a dab of butter or margarine in Teflon-coated cups).

Measure the following ingredients into your blender container, in the order listed: 1 cup milk, 2 eggs, 1 cup sifted flour, ¼ teaspoon salt, and 1 tablespoon melted butter or margarine. Mix on blender at medium speed for about ½ minute or until thoroughly combined. Pour into the greased muffin cups and bake at 450° F. for 20 minutes; reduce heat to 350° F. and bake 20 minutes longer. Remove popovers from cups immediately.

FAVORITE CARROTS

Shred 2 or 3 carrots per serving (depending on size). Do this whenever it's convenient, then refrigerate them until shortly before you're ready to serve.

To cook, put the carrots into a skillet (a larger heating surface allows a shorter cooking time) along with 1 tablespoon of butter or margarine for each serving. Add 1 to 2 tablespoons of water (you can add more later if needed). Cover and steam until butter melts, about 3 to 4 minutes. Toss lightly once during cooking to insure even heating. Serve when hot through but still crisp.

MASTER THE POINSETTIA

Deck your rooms with fiery, tropical poinsettias. This perennial favorite is almost as traditional as your trimmed tree. With its bright scarlet bracts and dark green foliage, it's made to order for the Christmas season.

Uniformity of growing climate is crucial if you want to keep your plant in bloom. Poinsettias are sensitive to sudden changes in temperature, light exposure, or water supply. Indoors, these tropical plants like cool temperatures —both during the day (65 to 70 degrees) and at night (60 degrees). Keep them in bright light, but avoid direct sunlight. Their soil should be constantly moist and well drained. Maintain fairly high humidity by keeping a tray of pebbles and water under the pots. Every few days, scratch the surface of the soil to ensure good air circulation for the roots. It's a good idea to apply houseplant fertilizer, highly diluted, once or twice a month.

KEEP YOUR PLANT!

Poinsettias bloom for about two months out of the year but don't throw them out! With proper care, they'll bloom again next year.

Remove the bracts as they begin to yellow and drop off, and let the plant dry by withholding water gradually. Put the pot and plant in a cool, moist, dark corner of the basement. Water occasionally (two or three times a month) to keep the main stem from shriveling completely, but never soak the plant. Don't be alarmed when leaves shed and stems become skeletons; they're on vacation.

Poinsettias will stay dormant from about the end of February through April and part of May. When you're certain all danger of frost is over and spring warmth is constant, move your pots outside and bury them to their rims, in sun. Prune stems to six inches above the soil.

HOW TO MAKE MORE PLANTS

Take cuttings from the young shoots that grow in late spring. Cut them off just below a node (where leaf joins stem). Strip all leaves from the lower one-and-a-quarter inches, leaving the upper ones. Dip the cut ends into hormone rooting powder to stimulate quick, strong rooting. Set cuttings one inch deep in a sand and peat moss mix or vermiculite; firm gently. Water, but don't soak.

Keep cuttings in bright light and coolness. For maximum humidity, cover with a glass jar or clear plastic until they are well established. Then transfer to a larger pot filled with well-drained potting soil. Fertilize and water regularly.

From August on, pinch back new shoots to shape and strengthen the parent plant. When autumn temperatures fall below 60 degrees every night, dig up your poinsettia and bring it indoors to a bright (not sunny) spot. Water moderately and keep up feedings twice a month. Keep plants away from drafts or temperature changes.

In late October, move plants to total darkness for about twelve hours a night. Move to light again in the morning. Once plants start to bloom, move the pots to center stage.

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WHAT PRICE CHRISTMAS PHOTOS?

If your Christmas plans this year include a new camera for recording the festivities, buy it now. Then, you'll have sufficient time between now and the holidays for shooting a practice roll or two. After all, you don't want to correct mistakes in technique at the expense of an irreplaceable shot of a child and his gifts.

The amount of practice you'll need before turning out competent snapshots and/or movies is smaller now than ever. And the cameras responsible for this new ease of picture taking are inexpensive considering their numerous automatic features.

The key to this simplicity is cartridge loading. To load a snapshot camera today, you merely drop in a cartridge, close the camera, advance the film to "Number 1," and shoot. It's so foolproof you can't even put the cartridge in backwards.

HOW MUCH TO SPEND

Simple cartridge-load cameras run about $15 to $35, list price. Their lenses are adjusted at the factory for average outdoor light conditions, and built-in flash guns are provided for shooting indoors, or in poor light outdoors. They also have double-exposure prevention, and will take both slides and prints, color and black and white.

In the higher end of this range, some cameras are equipped with electric-eye devices that tell you when not to shoot without flash. Naturally, these cameras will give the rank beginner more good shots per cartridge of film.

Also found in the higher part of this range are some models with automatic film advance. They are powered by spring motors, which you wind up before shooting. Then, each time you click the shutter, the film automatically moves ahead one frame. This feature is especially good for shooting sequences of children playing, and is particularly desirable on cameras that accept flash cubes.

As prices get higher, in increments of roughly $10, you begin to find such features as automatic lens adjustment, which admits lesser or greater amounts of light to the film, as conditions warrant. Also, lenses get "faster," letting you shoot in more situations, and give sharper images. Shutter speeds, which determine how long each frame is exposed to light, are programmed to the kind of film being used. Programming is accomplished for you by notches in the cartridge which engage a mechanism in the camera. Loading is just as fast and easy as with the simplest model.

Getting into the $100 to $140 class, you'll find such features as range finders that let you focus precisely on your main subject, automatic flash exposure control, more sophisticated electric eyes, and indicators that tell when flash batteries need replacement. Cameras in this price class have everything the average snapshooter could want or need.

MOVIES AS EASY AS STILLS

If you'd like to take home movies, but are discouraged by the seemingly complicated equipment you'd have to use, worry not. Drop-in super-8 cartridges have all but replaced ordinary 8-mm roll film. They use the same size film, but give larger frames, and therefore brighter, sharper projection. Loading is as easy as with a still camera, and so is the shooting. (Unfortunately, they won't fit a regular 8-mm camera.) You can get a compact palm-sized super-8 camera for under $30. It has a fixed-focus lens that is manually adjustable for outdoor light conditions. Indoors, you merely attach a movie light.

As prices move up, so do the features and the degree of sophistication. You start finding zoom lenses, electric eyes, through-the-lens viewing and focusing, power-operated zoom lenses, and fast- or slow-motion settings. One new model even focuses itself. Another has an unusually large zoom ratio of 5-to-1, for dramatic zooming from wide-angle scenes to telephoto closeups. These last two models are over $200.

For indoor shooting you'll need a movie light that sells for about $20, and snaps into the top of your camera. You use the same color film for indoor shooting as outdoor. This is made possible by an orange filter built into the camera behind the lens. Its purpose is to tone daylight to match the emulsion of the film. Snapping a movie light onto the camera automatically moves the filter away from the lens, clearing the way for indoor shooting.

COST OF MOVIE PROJECTORS

Of course, taking movies means you need a projector. A perfectly adequate one runs about $60; a fancy one will go for $125 or $150. Even at the lower end of the scale, these machines are a far cry from the flickering, cantankerous units of a few years ago. For one thing, they are self threading. Just insert the film, turn on the projector and watch the show.

Toward the higher end of the price scale, you find such features as zoom lenses, forward and reverse projections, and fast and slow motion. Projectors so equipped let you add during projection a few tricks you weren't able to try while shooting.

Besides camera and projector, we'd suggest two accessories—a screen (about $17 and up) and an editor (about $8.50). The screen is much better than a wall or sheet, and the editor will help you splice scenes together into meaningful sequences. Use it well, and they'll be calling you the poor man's Fellini.

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BUYER'S GUIDE TO ELECTRIC KNIVES

The electric knife has found a firm and comfortable niche in the American way of life since it makes the meticulous job of carving smooth, trim slices of meat (and many other goodies) really very simple!

With many families, the domain of the electric knife stops with the job of carving. But with some, it finds other uses as well—slicing homemade bread, cakes, fruits, vegetables.

They make a great gift idea (for yourself, as well as others!). Why not pack an electric knife with a Christmas fruitcake, or ham, for some hard-to-please friend or relative. If an electric knife is on your Christmas list, here are some tips on making a good buy:

IS THE HANDLE PRACTICAL?

- The handle should be made of a material that is grease-, stain-, and heat-resistant.
- Size and shape should comfortably fit the hand. The weight of the handle should be balanced to feel natural while carving.
- Is the starter switch or trigger conveniently placed for comfortable use? This may be a switch on top of the handle, controlled by your thumb, or it may be a trigger beneath the handle operated with the forefinger.

EXAMINE THE BLADES

- Be sure they are stainless steel with hollow-ground serrated edges—and sharp when you buy them. These blades cannot be sharpened unless they are returned to the manufacturer (or you can buy a set of replacement blades—much more convenient to our way of thinking).
- Attach the blades at the tip and put them into the handle. Make sure they are easily inserted and removed—and that there is a positive lock so that the blades stay firmly attached to the handle while carving.
- When attached, see that there's no space between the blades for food to lodge while it is slicing.
- Be sure the blades have a grease guard to protect the handle (and mechanized parts) from carving grease and spatter.

WILL IT DO THE JOB?

An electric knife that is not powerful enough to cut evenly and consistently is more of a nuisance than a help, and not worth having at all.

We have found a demonstration to be your best guide in determining power. How well does it slice a loaf of heavy rye bread? Or halve a pineapple? Without a demonstration, your guide is reliability of brand name.

CHECK SAFETY FEATURES

- Is the knife UL approved?
- Most knives only carve while the trigger or switch is activated—as soon as pressure is released, the knife stops cutting action.
- In addition, many knives have a safety lock. When this lock (usually an on-off type switch) is set, the blades will not be activated by the trigger or switch. This is particularly important to have on a cordless knife where you could accidentally start the knife while inserting or removing the blades. A corded knife should not be plugged in until the blades have been attached.
- Sturdy sheath to store blades in.

OTHER KNIFE FEATURES

In addition to the essential features we listed above, there are other special features available on various models and brands of electric knives:

- Storage racks (essential as recharging units for cordless units; a deluxe item on knives with cords) which may hang on wall, stand on counter, or fit into drawer.
- Blades with tungsten carbide on edge to lengthen life of the sharpness for more effective operation.
- Open grip or "hole" in the handle for easy handling. One brand that has this also has blades that rotate 90° to further facilitate carving.
- Edge of handle that extends down to form a table rest so that the blades do not touch the table or counter surface when knife is set down.
- Two sets of blades—the standard 9-inch carving blades and 6- or 6¾-inch utility blades for chopping, dicing, mincing.
- Finishes for you to choose from—fashion colors, textured or woodgrain trim, gleaming or brushed chrome.
- Blade ejector button, similar to those on hand mixers.
- Indicator light on cordless model shows when charger is charging.

CORDLESS OR WITH CORD

Both types of electric knives—the cordless and the knife that requires a cord—have distinct advantages depending on needs.

The corded knife has a sure, steady source of power. The cord is generally 8 feet long, giving you plenty of maneuvering space in your kitchen work area. They could also be used in the dining room or patio—if an outlet is handy—with only a small degree of inconvenience. The handle is usually lighter in weight than those of the cordless variety.

The cordless electric knife has a distinct advantage of versatility—it can go anywhere in the house or outdoors—even to a picnic, with no concern about power supply. However, you must remember to keep it in its recharger base (which is attached to a wall outlet) when you're not using it. And be sure the batteries are equipped to give you a sure, steady source of power.

TIPS ON USING ELECTRIC KNIVES

- Don't try to cut through bones, no matter how small—you'll only wear the blades out faster.
- Prolonged soaking of the blades, or washing them in the dishwasher will dull them too.
- Cut on a wooden carving board whenever possible—to protect both the blades and the counter surface.
- For even easier carving, let roasts and poultry rest 15 to 20 minutes after removing them from the oven. Juices firm up and meat is easier to carve.

PRICES

Corded models may run from under $15 to around $30. Cordless knives cost a little more—from around $25 to around $40. Price is influenced by both quality and features. If you're looking for an inexpensive model, cut the features, not the quality.

The following are the manufacturers who have sent us information about the brands they make: Bersted, Cory, General Electric, Hamilton Beach, Hoover, Iona, Knapp-Monarch, Lady Vanity, Manning-Bowman, Presto, Remington, Rival, Riviera, Ronson, Sunbeam, Universal, Thermo-o-ware, Toastmaster, Troy, Westinghouse.

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like the foundation, were built at the site. Other arrangements are possible, depending on the site, personal preferences, and the number of wings you order.

In a way, the Pico Peak house manifests a quiet reevaluation of housing technology which eventually may revolutionize home building. For when you come right down to it, housing technology is archaic. Houses are pieced together one stud, one rafter, one wall panel at a time. Much cutting and fitting, by skilled craftsmen, are required. The process is time consuming, and depends on reasonably good weather.

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It's that wonderful season of the year again when everyone really has the spirit of love and friendliness, of giving and receiving, of wreaths and tinsel, of crackling fires and popping corn, of friendly little dinner parties and gay, big cocktail parties, of singing carols and late suppers—yet how often we succumb to the all too familiar seasonal malady of the hurried bustling of last-minute activity and find ourselves saying, "I'll be glad when it's all over." Resolved: That the 1968 holiday season will be one we'll enjoy all season through and be sorry when it's over.

This season let's make it a personal Christmas for all our special friends by doing something, no matter how small it is, just for that person alone. It's probably the one season of the year when your creative talents can give you the greatest satisfaction and happiness. We've been scouting to find what some of our friends do to make their holiday giving more fun and a little special:

We like the idea Associate Food Editor Frances Crawford had for a Christmas gift for her sister. She made up some gingerbread cookie

dough, put it in a covered plastic container and wrapped it up with a copy of the recipe (from our pages, of course), a Teflon cookie sheet, gingerbread cookie cutters (a boy and girl), and a special Christmas note.

Another friend makes chutneys and relishes of all kinds as her seasonal gift from the kitchen. You'll find some good recipes for your own chutney gifts on page 75.

One grandmother (who says her daughter gave her the idea just to keep her busy and occupied) makes gumdrop cookies for all her "little" neighbor friends. And just let anyone else infringe on her territory with competing gumdrop cookie recipes. We couldn't even get her recipe, but have a similar one in our cookbook.

Here are two of my favorite ideas (though I must admit I haven't done them recently): Printing recipes on plain white dinner

plates and firing them in the oven. I used china glaze paints made just for that purpose and followed directions for applying and firing, then I gave them as gifts with a plate hanger.

The other was painting tin cups (the kind cowpokes use) with flat black paint, then painting Pennsylvania-Dutch style designs (made up my own unauthentic ones) in all kinds of gay colors, again using flat paints. It was fun to fill them with spiced nuts or caramel corn in little plastic bags.

This idea thrilled me the most. One friend of a friend makes a special holiday bread and gives it to several people who "never in all the world would expect a gift from me. It's fun to do and my greatest happiness comes in seeing the expressions on their faces."

A hostess gift idea from California Home editor Nancy Gray is great. She marinates a 3-ounce package of cream cheese in soy sauce overnight, then rolls it in very well toasted (deep golden brown) sesame seeds, wraps it in foil, takes it along for the hostess's pre-dinner hour.

Household news inspires stocking-stuffer ideas: Bathtub Appliques from Rubbermaid are adhesive-backed daisylike flowerets for safer footing in the tub. Ekco's newer version of the Swedish cook's knife has a forked tip for serving! (I'm much addicted to my Swedish cook's knife. It's shaped like a French cook's knife but the handle is angled. The high angle provides a secure leverage and lets you slice things more thinly. I use it especially for hard sausages, cheeses, and tomatoes.) If you plan to give a knife as a gift, don't forget to include a penny to ward off bad luck.

New foods and food ideas for the holiday hostess: Fresh Frozen Avocado Half Shells, with seed out and skin on will soon be on your freezer shelves. These are Calavo avocados, ripened, pitted, and frozen in plastic pouches with the new Cryogenic method of freezing. It uses liquid nitrogen to achieve temperatures as low as 320° below 0° F. to successfully freeze the previously "unfreezable" avocado. Once thawed, they keep without turning color!

Like these two fruitcake quickies from Nabisco's Cracker Chatter:

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Cheese Toasty Fruitcake. Blend ¼ cup soft butter with ½ cup finely grated Edam cheese and 1 tablespoon brandy. Generously spread on 1-inch-thick slices of fruitcake. Broil until bubbly and mixture begins to brown. Serve immediately.

As a final Merry Christmas thought—we've become so enamored with our old-fashioned cookies on page 62 (we've been nibbling them as they come out of the ovens) that we hope you'll leave Santa a few on Christmas Eve, with a glass of milk or a piping hot cup of coffee, of course.

Virginia P. Haberl

By JEWEL MANDELBAUM

SIGNATURE HEIRLOOMS

When you finish a do-it-yourself project, don't let it go at that. The chances are that someday it will be an heirloom, possibly an antique on the auction block—and the simple addition of your name and the date will give the piece added sentimental and monetary value.

We live in auction country and are addicted to them. I have noticed that when the auctioneer can tell the history of a piece that is on the block, and particularly when he reads a name or date from that piece, interest is greater among the buyers. Proof of an article's origin and age makes it more valuable.

WHERE TO SIGN

A patchwork quilt I saw at an auction had a square in one corner embroidered with the maker's name and the date and how long it had taken her to complete the project.

The signature can be anywhere on the piece. Information can be put where it shows. A block box on casters, made by a neighboring father, has been made to resemble a truck. On the sides: "Jimmy, Betty, and Ann, Woods Trucking Company" proclaims the owners. The license plate gives the date the block box was made.

The method and place of the signature will, of course, depend on the piece. A beautiful hooked rug made by a friend, had its legend embroidered on a piece of muslin. This has been sewn to the back of the rug.

PERSONALIZED DESIGN

Making something an heirloom doesn't mean just adding names and dates. Add something of yourself.

When I painted my daughter's room she wanted pretty furniture, but buying new pieces was out of the question. We decided to paint what we had. I cut the legs from her bureau, replaced the drawer stops, and nailed and glued it at its weakest points. Jacqui selected flat white paint but after it dried we decided it needed something more.

Jacqui loves flowers and insects; so she selected wildlife pictures from a book. I copied them onto the bureau with colored pencils. Devil's paintbrush and wild rose grow up its sides. Grasses and varicolored caterpillars are on the top. On the mirror frame is an evergreen with cones and a robin's nest with eggs. On the back of the bureau I drew a large red heart and in it wrote, "To Jacqui from her mother, with love, Christmas 1959." Underneath this I noted that I had painted and decorated it and signed my name. Clear plastic finish was used to make the surface washable. I put several coats of it on the inscription too. Jacqui is enchanted.

After completing her son's room in train motif, my next-door neighbor painted the bureau fire-engine red. With black paint (using only a few lines) it became a caboose. A suitable inscription is painted on the back. She has little trouble getting her boy to put his clothing away in his caboose; and she has given him a gift which will grow in value as it is handed down through the years.

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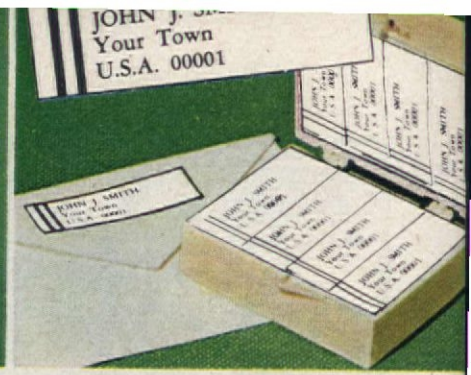

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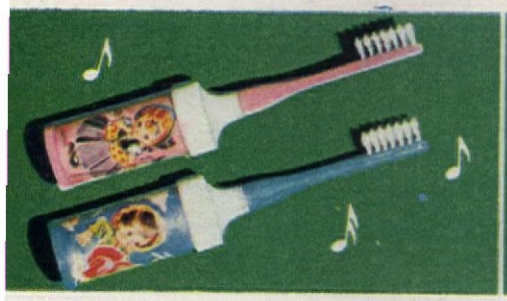

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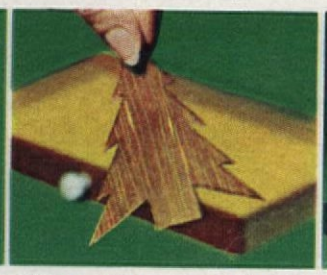

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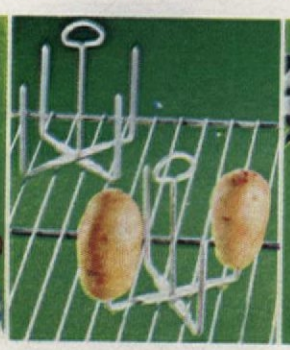

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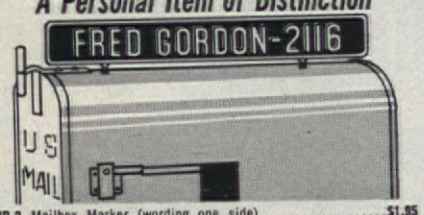

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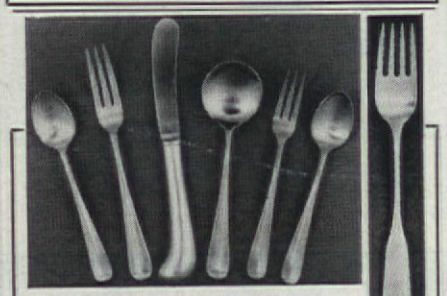

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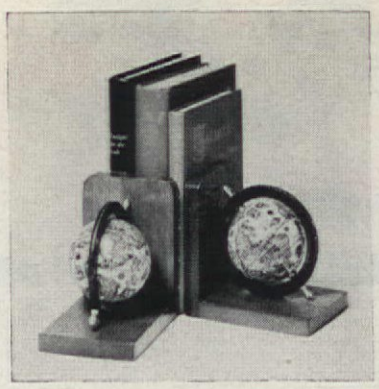

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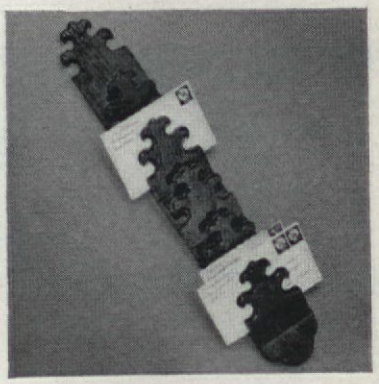

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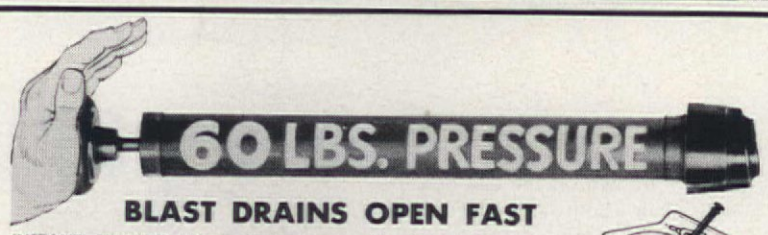

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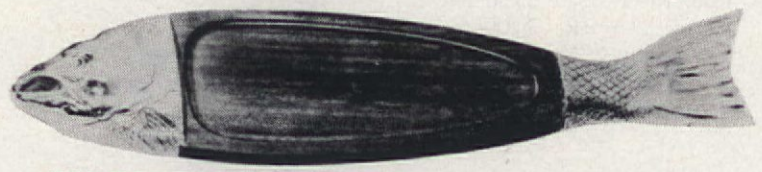

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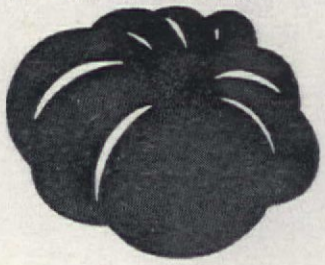

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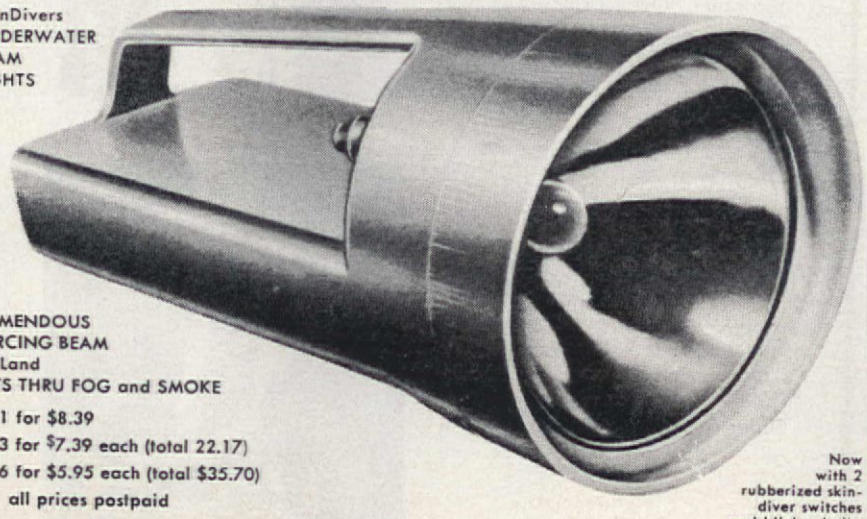

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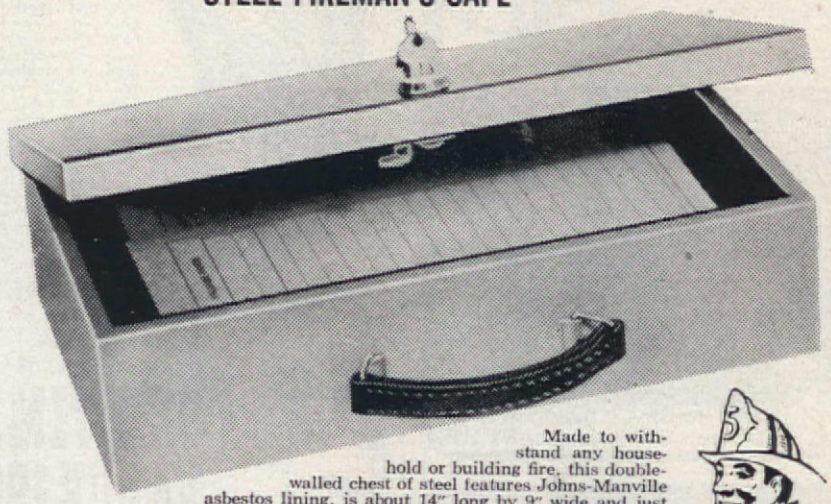

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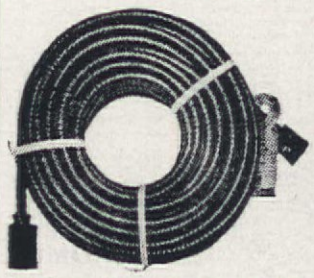

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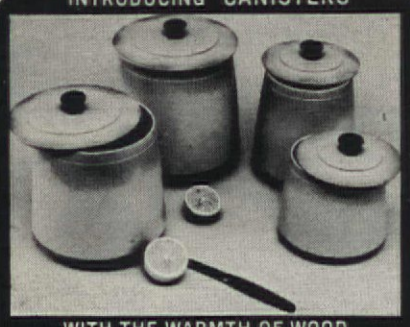

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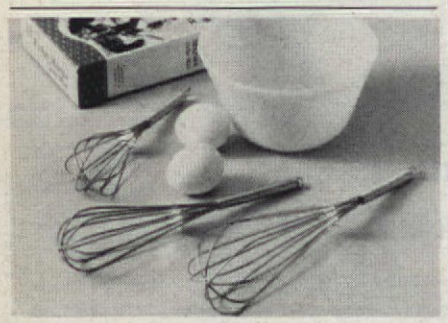

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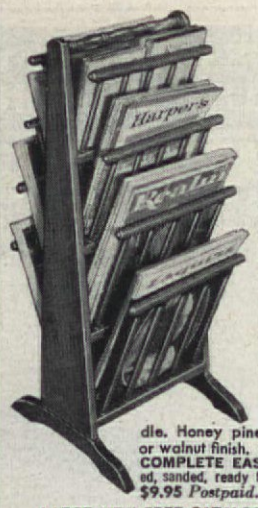

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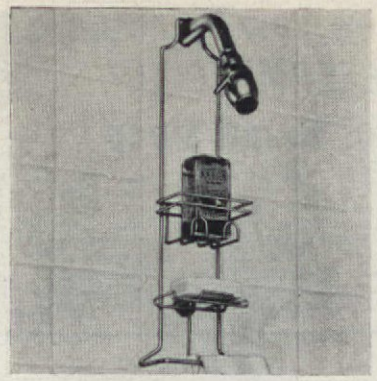

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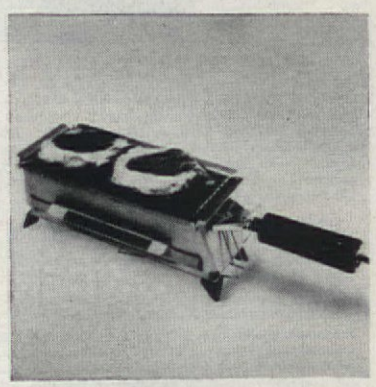

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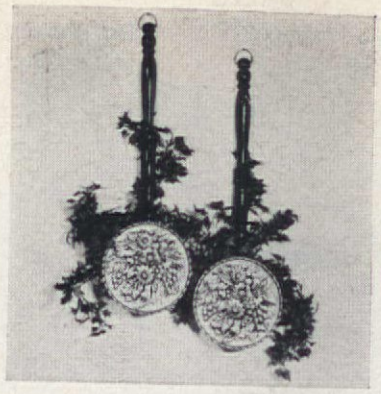

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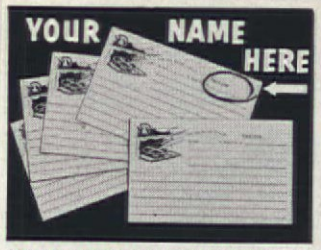

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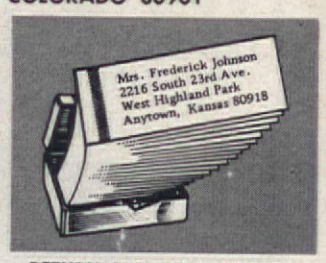

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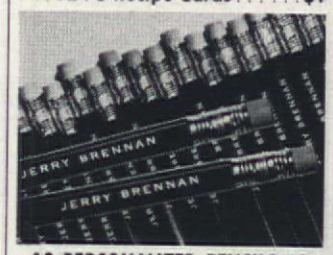

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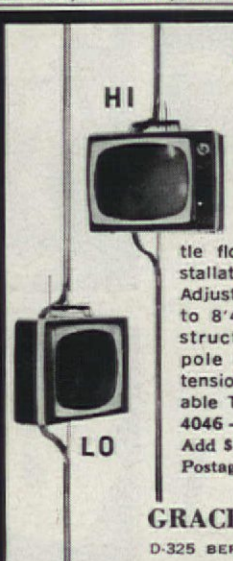

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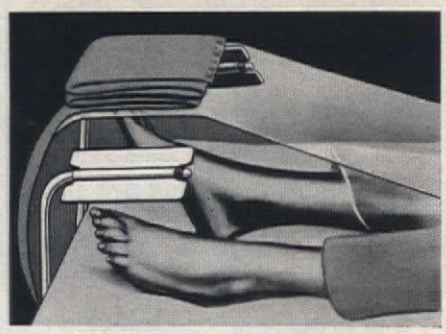

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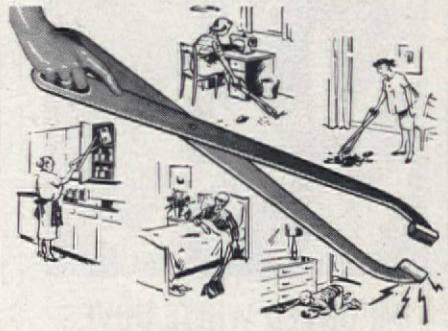

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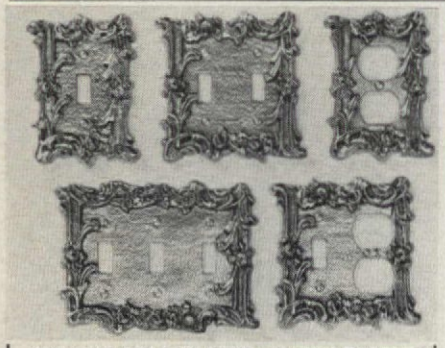

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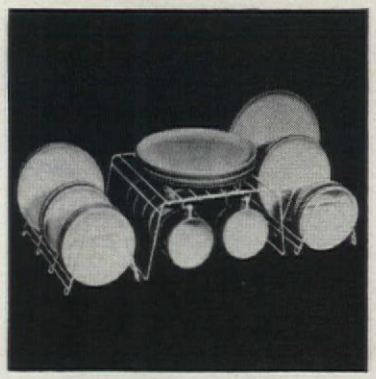

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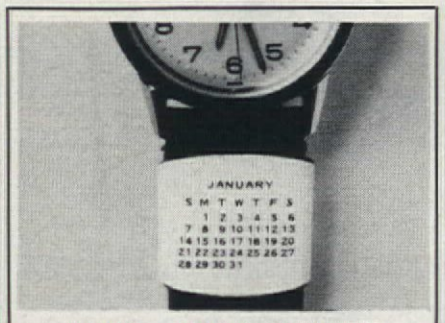

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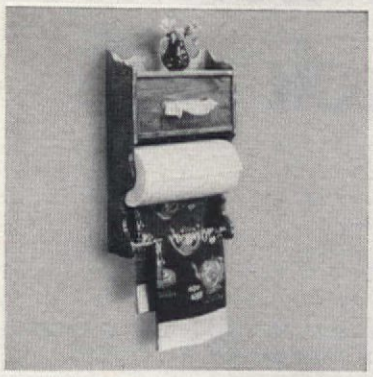

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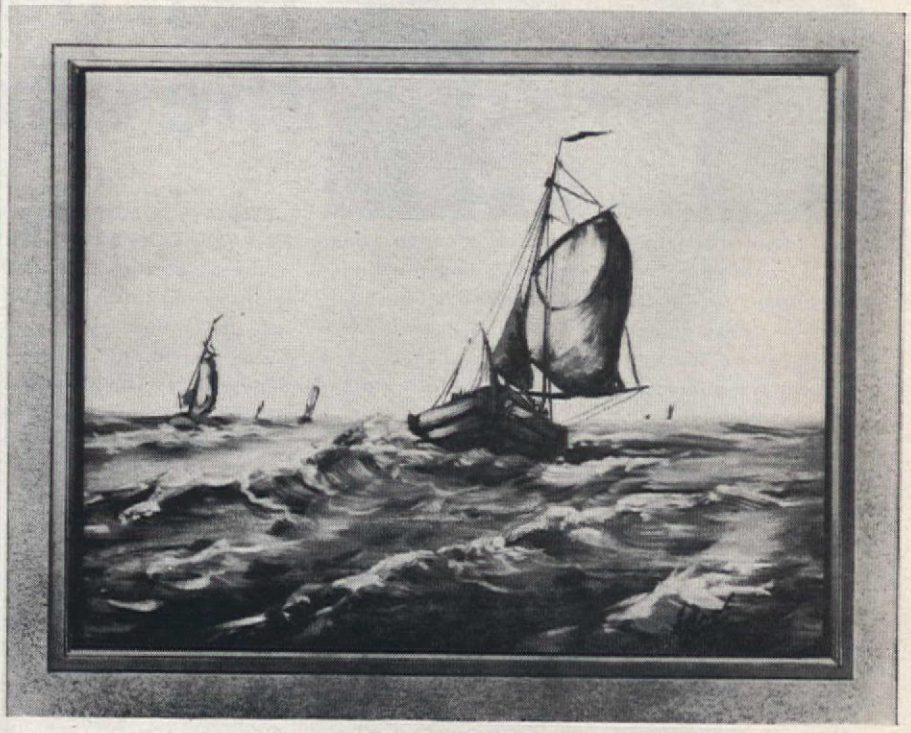

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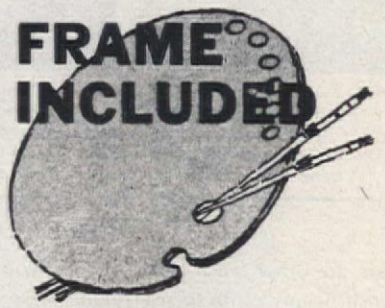

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