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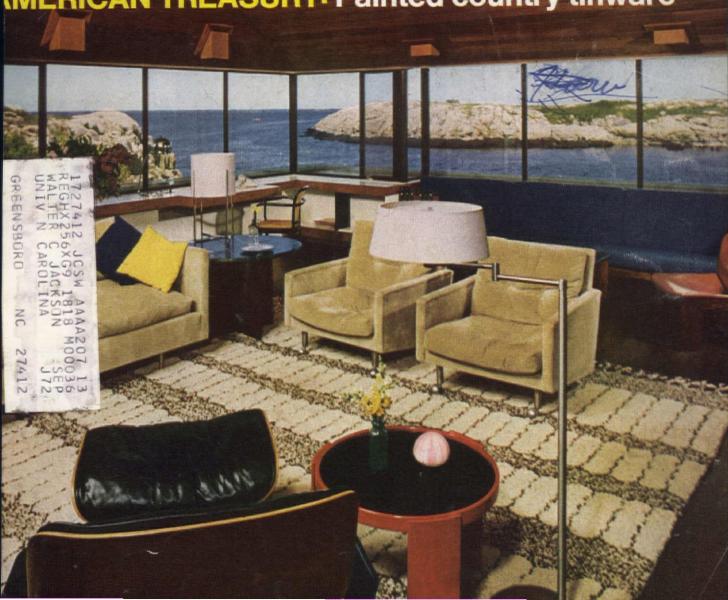
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# Creating an Indoor World

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# How to find the house of you



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Suppose you suddenly found you couldn't afford to build the house you've been dreaming about?

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After the Pearsons took a look at today's interest rates and building costs, they took a second look at their old house. It was solidly built and beautiful on the outside, so they decided to stay put and invest some money on the inside. That way, at only a fraction of new building costs, they could make their dreams come true right there.

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Come take a tour of the Pearsons'. You'll get some fine Before-and-After-Armstrong ideas.

## It all began in the kitchen

The first order of business was to let some light into "The Cave." Out went the wall between the kitchen and pantry. And glass doors, where the pantry used to be, let the sunshine in.

At first, Sheila Pearson considered carpet for her kitchen (for its look and feel), but had second thoughts about spills and stains. Her answer was "Easy Street™," a new kind of Armstrong floor. It looks like carpet, feels soft like carpet (because of its thick foam backing), but its surface is tough, nonporous vinyl. As easy to clean as only vinyl can be.

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For furniture, the Pearsons wanted something big enough for big Sunday brunches and rugged enough to take on three kids. Thomasville's "Brandywine" trestle table filled the bill.

Add new cabinets . . . a built-in double oven . . . a chopping block counter . . . some bright copper pots . . . and then, on to the living room!

Bill put ceiling tile over the old, cracked plaster. It has a vinue coating that's great for the kitchen.

The new floor is so comfortable, you'd swear it was carpet - til you spill something on it It's really ringl so spills wipe right up!





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# Out of two so-so rooms comes one great big beautiful living center

The Pearsons had always treated the dining alcove and living area as two separate rooms. Adequate, but hardly exciting. Now was their chance to combine both into a single living center: posh enough for formal entertaining, comfortable enough for relaxing.

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Bill and Sheila agreed on a two-inch Armstrong shag called "Happening<sup>TM</sup>" Wall-to-wall excitement.

In furniture, Bill insisted on one thing: pure creature comfort. Sheila wanted something contemporary. They both got what they wanted. For the living room area, chairs, tables, and an ottoman from Founders. The sofa is Thomasville. The feeling is bright. The furniture in the dining area is all Thomasville "Four Centuries", a striking combination of wood-tone

and antiqued-silver finishes.

Ceilings? They wanted something new, with an elegant, formal look to go with their antique crystal chandelier. They chose an Armstrong Chandelier™ Ceiling. It's made for the most formal rooms in the home.

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Here we combined some traditional furniture (from Thomasville) with contemporary pieces (from founders). We love the spartle + shimmer of the chrome + Plexiglas

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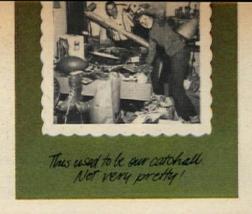
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# The old basement disappeared over two weekends



Here's where we really used our imagination.

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"Our new rec room is for everybody," the Pearsons said; and everybody pitched in to do the job.

Out went the junk, and up—thanks to do-it-yourselfer Bill Pearson—went an Armstrong suspended ceiling. The grid is hung from the beams, and the panels drop into place. It's acoustical, of course—to absorb noise.

The new rec room got two new floors in one. Wearathon® Handy-stik™ carpet tile (nice for sitting on the floor). And in the center, for dancing, Excelon® Place 'n Press™ (vinyl-asbestos) Tile. The Pearsons used home-grown labor here, too. Surprisingly little labor was needed, because both the carpet and the vinyl tiles are a cinch for do-it-yourselfers. You just press them in place. The adhesive is on the back.

The walls of the new rec room were painted; the mural was glued up in sheets. Even the 20-foot "Bean Bag" sofa was homemade.



Our new Armstrong suspended ceiling covers a multitude of evils.



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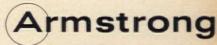
Now it was Bill Pearson's turn. After all the work he had put into the remodeling, he deserved a reward. And he got it: a getaway room of his own.

For the floor, Bill chose an Armstrong sheet vinyl called Coronelle<sup>®</sup>. The pattern is Valargo<sup>TM</sup>, the mood is Spanish, and the tone is masculine. On top went an area rug of "Happening"—the same luscious shag that was used wall-to-wall in the living room.

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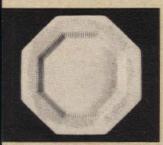
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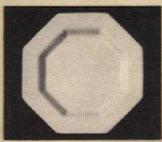
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# THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN

Our homes and almost everything in them-the furniture, the sheets, the rugs, the lamps, the packages in the pantry, the cans on the shelves, the appliances in the kitchen-started on some designer's drawing board somewhere. Stop for a minute and look around you and think of the things in the room where you are sitting. They did not just spring from a factory. Somebody made a lot of choices along the way about the curve of that chair leg, the color of that fabric, the height of that window, the intensity of that light bulb. Some were good choices, some

Here at AH we get to know a lot of designersin fact, we cultivate them and encourage those who we feel make more good choices than bad. One of our proudest projects is our joint sponsorship with House & Home magazine and the American Institute of Architects of an annual "Homes for Better Living" program which each year considers the work of hundreds of architects and honors only a selected few. This year three of the entries in the program were given the Top Honor Award. We published one of them, a house by Donald Olsen in Berkeley, Calif., in July, before the jury's decision had been reached. This month we publish the other two Best Houses of 1970. The first was designed by Remmert Huygens and A. Anthony Tappé, Boston architects who believe that "A successful house is one where you still like the client and the client likes you when the job is finished." For a view of happy clients at home, see page 60.

Architect Bernard Marson's award-winning house on pages 62-63 was planned at such a low budget that he had a hard time finding a western Massachusetts contractor willing to build it. So Marson hired a chicken farmer who was also an impeccable carpenter and the farmer did such a beautiful job of building the house that he is now one of the most sought-after contractors in the Berkshires.

This month we also visit the homes of three other designers whose work most likely influences your lifestyle. First, on pages 68-71, we join furniture designer David M. Parmelee who lives on the Spring Lake, Mich., site where Edgar Lee Masters wrote Spoon River Anthology. Then, on pages 72-73, we visit Vera, whose scarves, sheets, table linens, towels and sports clothes are American classics. As our Vera-Interior Design Editor Vera Hahn-says, "The thing I like best about a design by Vera is its sense of humor."

Michael Lax, whose apartment appears on page 74, has designed architectural products—such as a molded-plastic bathroom-glassware, cookware and lighting, including a Lytegem lamp that is part of the permanent collection at New York's Museum of Modern Art. No bad design here.



Award-winner Huygens



Award-winner Marson.



The Parmelees at home.



Vera in her garden.



Michael Lax, relaxed.

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Sharon Percy Rockefeller is more than a distinguished name and an attractive vote-getter. The wife of West Virginia Secretary of State John D. Rockefeller IV gets involved. Sharon helped organize a day-care program in Charleston, taught preschoolers at a Head Start center and is an active booster of Mountain Artisans, Inc., a nonprofit organization created to market the beautiful wares of local sewing cooperatives.

One of the founders of Mountain Artisans is Florette Angel. A former Tulane art major, she was working for the West Virginia Department of Commerce when she and other craftconscious Appalachians came up with the idea for Mountain Artisans. Young Mrs. Rockefeller was one of the first to join. Painter-sculptress Dorothy Weatherford, another founder, is the designer for the cooperatives' patchwork fabrics, quilts, place mats, stuffed-animal furniture, pillows, toys, leather goods and fashions. All are adapted from traditional patterns and produced by the nearly 300 women in the organization.

In the early days, Mountain Artisans operated out of Florette's and husband Philip's guest room and Dorothy and Sam Weatherford's attic. Today, the circle of workers and advocates has grown and the project is now backed by a federal grant. Headquarters is an office in Charleston. Now that Mountain Artisans is on its way, and top department stores across the country, like Bloomingdale's, Marshall Field and The Higbee Co., are interested in its creations, Florette and Dorothy are busier than ever. Their success is just the beginning, predicts sales/promotion director Florette. The longterm goal is to make West Virginia craftsmen self-sustaining.

Sharon Rockefeller (left), president of the Mountain Artisans board, looks over quilts made by talented hands in towns like Dog Bone and Lost Creek, W. Va., and marketed out of Charleston.

Dorothy Weatherford (below) encourages children's craftwork in her daughters' bedroom. The Weatherfords add bright accents to their Victorian house with patchworks and paintings.



Florette and Philip Angel (above) collect Appalachian art. The stylized owl and graceful goblets on the Florette-designed coffee table were made by West Virginia artist Joel Myers.

At the drawing board (right) Sharon and designer Dorothy look over sketches which will eventually be transformed into a rich patchwork fabric by the craftswomen of Mountain Artisans.





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#### LIFESTYLE continued



Colorful flags and tents bloom, attracting curious onlookers to the exhibits at California's Renaissance Pleasure Faire (above). The dream of its creators, Phyllis and Ron Patterson (right), is to open a full-scale Olde English village with a year-round festival.

Phyllis and Ron Patterson have mastered the secret of turning back the calendar. Twice yearly, these Los Angelenos backtrack 400 years and go Elizabethan. What's more, they take some 120,000 Californians with them. For the Pattersons are mentors of a phenomenon called "The Renaissance Pleasure Faire," an event so successful that it has festooned from a four-weekend venture started in Los Angeles eight years ago to an equal-time affair in the environs of San Francisco. The latest version will run on weekends through September on a meadowed site outside San Rafael.

The young pair's "baby" is now a full-time enterprise with an office in their Laurel Canyon home where, as Phyllis explains, "We fit files among antiques.... I can't believe it myself—the idea just took off and grew."

Before the takeoff, Ron, who handles the Faire's visual side, was an art director and graphics designer for various advertising agencies. Phyllis was a history, drama and English teacher who simply couldn't give up teaching when she retired to have Kevin, now 10. (Since then, Brian-now 4-has joined the family.) She has continued her teaching privately, coaching a group of 10-year-olds in drama and putting on short and lively little commedia dell'arte plays. "I got hooked on the period then," she recounts. When performance time came (the plays were authentically staged outdoors from a painted wagon) the program turned out so short that Phyllis considered padding it with "booths of handicrafts, maybe even food . . . but I didn't know any craftsmen." Word of mouth took over and, from the dead-halt start, produced a smash hit with 100 exhibitors and some 3,000 viewers. The same event held recently in Los Angeles drew 165 artisans and food mongers from all over California and some 60,000 spectators who paid for a day's wander in rollicking, rowdy Olde England.

Skilled artisans "throw" pots (right), embroider, weave, blow glass, make jewelry, prints and candles in the Faire's bannered booths. Crafts are carefully prejudged, insuring quality and authenticity.

Appropriately costumed women (far right) hawk their wares, all part of the pageantry and fun. Before the Faire came into being there were few crafts shops in Los Angeles. Today there are many, several started by artists nudged on the way by this event.



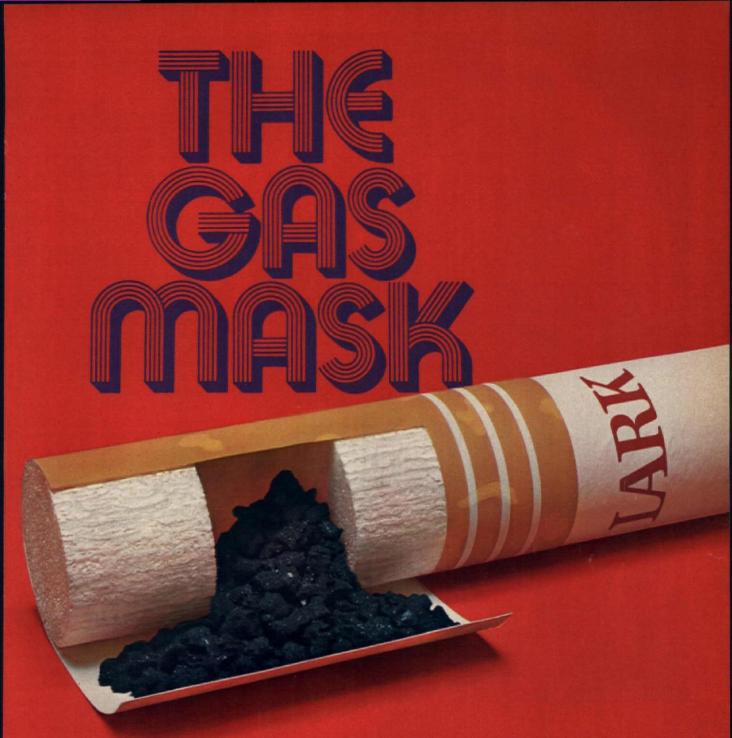


Phyllis and Ron (top) go over plans for this month's San Francisco Faire in Ron's book-lined, painting-packed study, which the Pattersons share with four assistants. The room is entered from their rambling Laurel Canyon home through a revolving bookcase wall.

Kevin, Brian and Phyllis Patterson (above) cast a curious eye at a collection of carved-apple hex dolls destined for a booth at the Faire. Both boys, caught up in the project since infancy, are as much at home in the Renaissance period as they are in the Space Age.







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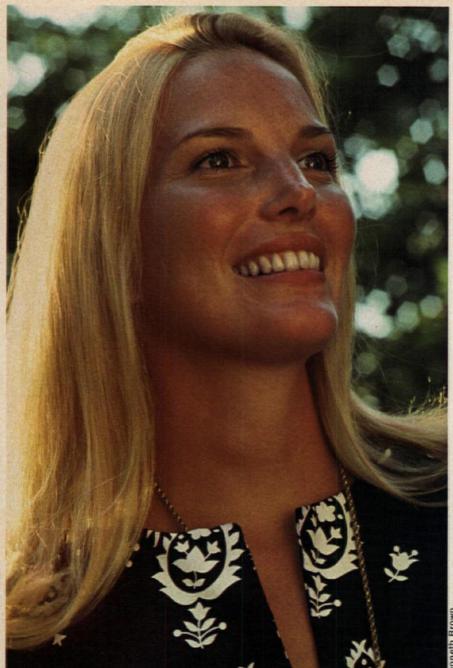
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Dee Caperton, Miss West Virginia of 1965, is still a beauty winner. Now the mother of two small boys, she takes time for beauty care.

preparation that aims to stimulate, tighten, refine pores, firm contour, enliven color, minimize or even temporarily banish little lines, correct sallowness, and give the effect of a "lift" to the face. Some facial masks not only do all that, but deep-cleanse as well. These masks have added ingredients, with special penetrating and cleansing properties that draw embedded dirt to the surface. If your skin is oily, and still inclined to youthful blackheads and large pores, you can use a cleansing mask twice a week.

Generally, masks are available in one of several forms. Some are thick clays; others have a lighter, creamy consistency. Some are transparent gels; others are liquid. Some you leave on for only five minutes; others can remain as long as 20 minutes.

You apply a mask moist; it gradually hardens—and in the process it pulls, tightens and stimulates. (Think of mud or clay, and you get the idea.) Before applying a noncleansing mask, clean your face first. After either a cleansing or a noncleansing mask, use a moisturizer. You should heed the manufacturers' instructions, particularly the one on many masks that tells you to avoid the eye area. And be sure you follow the timing directions.

When and why should you use a mask? If your skin is normal or on the dry side, a weekly stimulating mask is a sound addition to your regular skin care. Use it to help keep your facial contours firm and your pores closed and invisible. Or use it as a psychological and physical lift. A firming mask brings a glow to your skin, tautens your jawline and makes everything, including your morale, go up instead of down.

Tip: It's wiser not to try any mask for the first time an hour before you're going to appear in public. Experiment with a mask when you have plenty of time and privacy to study its effect on your skin.

You choose your mask according to the kind of skin you have: The more delicate and sensitive your skin, the lighter and gentler the mask; the more oily your skin, the firmer the mask.

Here is a partial listing of the many good masks available.

Shiseido Facial Pack is a transparent gel that dries in 15 to 20 minutes, then peels off. (Begin at forehead and peel down.) It can be used twice a week for stimulating and refreshing.

THE GOOD-LOOKING HOMEMAKER By Constance Bartel

# **BEAUTY MASK FACE "LIFT"**

Lovely Ella Dee Kessel was a runner-up in the 1965 Miss America Pageant. To-day, the former Miss West Virginia is Mrs. William Gaston Caperton of Charleston, W.Va., wife of an insurance executive and mother of John, 1, and 3-year-old William (Gat) Gaston IV. Dee's beauty philosophy remains unchanged. "I believe in getting quality cosmetics and staying on one program." She uses a cleansing cream instead of soap and water, moisturizes her face often and skillfully applies her "natural"

look" makeup. As future protection, Dee has started using a facial mask once a week to keep her face glowing.

Many of us pass up masks because of a hazy impression that they are for professional beauties only. Not so. Virtually every major cosmetic line, including the one which makes your favorite makeup and treatment products, offers a facial mask or two. If you don't use one, you may be cheating your skin of the good things it can do.

What is a facial mask? It is a skin

Zsa Zsa Skin-Tight Hot Facial Masque is part of the cosmetics line by the Gabor of the same name. This is a new one stirring up a lot of excitement. A two-process mask that can be used under the eyes as well, it dries to a thin plastic "skin" that you peel off in one piece. This mask aims to smooth out little lines, stimulate circulation, cleanse and moisturize.

Revion Ultima II Mineral Masque Concentrate, with natural minerals, is a lilac clay. It does a serious deepcleansing job of even the most clogged pores and has a strong firming and tightening effect.

Dorothy Gray Masque Frappé, a creamy pink mask with vitamin A added, is good for any skin type. You leave it on for five minutes, then wash it off with tepid water and pat dry.

Imperial Formula Gossamer Facient Masque, an opaque peach cream, is gentle enough for even sensitive skins and can be used under the eyes. Use after cleansing to bring a glow to the skin. Leave on five to 15 minutes, then wash it off with warm water.

Estée Lauder Almond Clay Pack is a thick, slightly gritty and fragrant pack you let dry for 10 minutes, then wash off with warm water. This mask has a good firm pull and creates a fresh, healthy glow.

Givenchy Liquid Masque is a transparent French formula which is exceptionally gentle for even dry skins. You leave it on for about 20 minutes, then wash it off with water or remove it with Balancing Face Lotion.

Charles of the Ritz Mask Revenescence, a light cream which is transparent on the face, moisturizes and firms. Leave on for five to 15 minutes.

Dorothy Gray Secret of the Sea Moisturizing Mask, a creamy green formula, is applied to one half of your face at a time. You allow one half to dry until the mask begins to crack, then remove it with warm water and repeat on the other side of your face.

Caswell-Massey Almond Meal Facial Refresher is mixed with water or witch hazel until you get a smooth paste. Then apply it to the face and leave on for about 20 minutes. (This mask, at \$4.50, can be ordered by mail from Caswell-Massey, 114 East 25th Street, New York, N.Y. 10010.)

Or if you like, you can concoct a home mask from fruits, vegetables and cereals-just as beauties have been doing since Cleopatra's time. For the fun and benefit of mixing your own, just keep in mind that almost anything that is basically pure, and which, when wet, dries gradually, will help to tone and tighten your skin. Beaten egg whites, for example, are an old home beauty aid. Mash berries, peaches, apricots or avocados to a pulp (or beat in your blender), add a little talcum powder for better sticking power, and let the concoction dry on your face for 10 to 15 minutes. A paste of oatmeal or wheat cereal will also glow up and firm your skin.

Chances are that once you get mask-minded, and find the right one for you, you'll be a confirmed user. Whether you apply your mask for serious cleansing and refining, or for a quick pick-me-up, the one guaranteed benefit is a fresh, flattering, lively glow of color—and a welcome new firmness.



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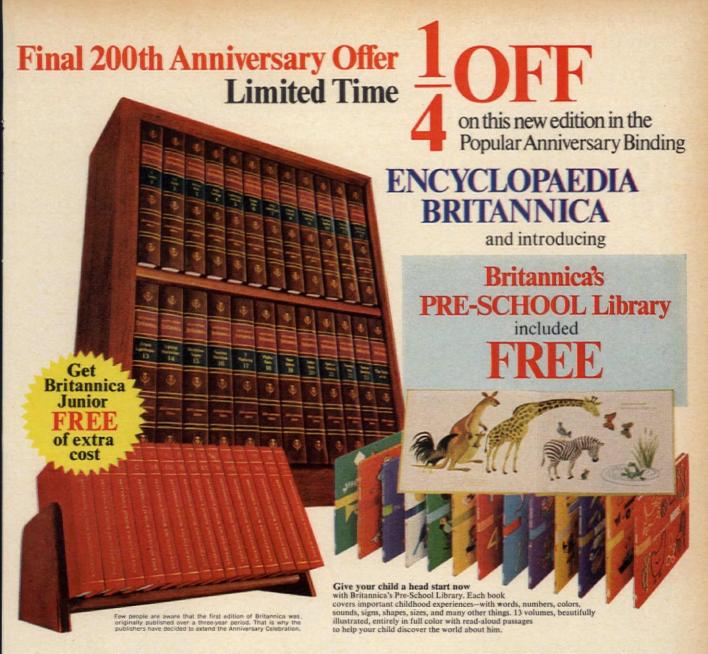
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# DOLLHOUSE FURNITURE FOR MAN-SIZED ROOMS



Small, modern cabinet (18" x 15" x 54") by Flair can fill an odd corner usefully and charmingly as a mini-bar, telephone center or in a number of other ways. Crafted of walnut and rosewood, it is priced at about \$320.

Regency sofa table (36" x 15" x 25"), of African mahogany, ebony and satinwood, is authentic down to its tiny brass ferrules and casters. By Heritage, it can also be used as a coffee table and costs about \$370.

Globe—well filled by our six-footer—has a sturdy mahogany frame (51" x 20"), is smaller than a standard love seat. Available in a choice of rich coverings, it sells for about \$325.

Globe—well filled by our six-foote —has a sturdy mahogany frame (51" x 20"), is smaller than a standard love seat. Solid oak. The graduated-depth drawers are stepped back; brass hardware is traditional. Perfect next to a chair, it also makes sense between a pair of beds or under a desk. Cost: about \$170.

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It's so easy to install, you don't even need a screwdriver. It comes down just as easily, so you can move the radio to any other room. It's solid state, AM-FM, and you, why don't you get her one? really sounds big. The FM part even has an electronic

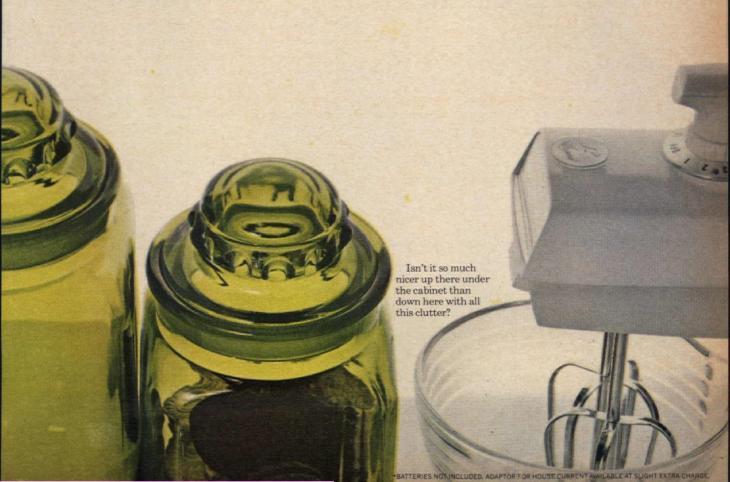
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Sears kitchen radio is available by catalog or at any Sears, Roebuck and Co. retail store. Drop in and see virtually any type of radio you can think of including one new battery-operated radio that is so shockproof, you can use it, dripping wet, in a bathroom. The new Sears kitchen radio is not expensive.

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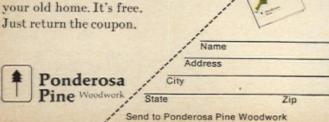
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Of course, a panel door needs dusting now and then. But so does your favorite piece of fine furniture.

We've put together a guide to help you select the right panel door for your next home. Or use it to pick out some great new doors for your old home. It's free.



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ALL ABOUT DECORATING continued

## DECORATING NEWSLETTER

For the chaise, a new image. Once upon a time a bedroom with a chaise longue heaped with dainty pillows and a chintz-skirted dressing table to match was every woman's dream. Today the chaise is back, but it looks like a beach chair—informal, low-slung and loungy—and its new habitat is the living room.

Quasar Khanh of blow-up furniture fame has designed one that is curved and sloped to fit the human body, is made of foam in varying rigidities, adjusts to three positions and comes in a choice of 25 skin-tight plastic coverings. In stores now, the price is \$340.

The Fold-A-Foam version starts out as a legless chair made up of wedge-shaped cushions. Flipped out to full length, it is a ground-hugging chaise priced at \$70. The manufacturer is Wylde & Co., a Chicago-based firm.

ID Tags. From now on, furniture, bedding, carpets and other home-furnishings items that use latex foam rubber will carry an identifying tag. This should clear up the confusion about cushioning and backing materials.

Living landscape. Office landscaping, a new idea in space planning that takes work flow and interoffice communications—not status or hierarchy—into account, is influencing interior design concepts for the home, too. Landscaping is one way of saying it, systems or structural planning another. What is meant is that there is now a trend away from rooms furnished with single, freestanding pieces of furniture to spaces with furniture groupings that seem to have grown naturally from the background. Vladimir Kagan, a New York designer, calls his new groupings of single and multilevel furnishings "structures." One is an integrated seating group, the other a work group. Call it what you will—landscape, system, structure—that's where we're heading.

Help with hanging. Anyone who has ever tried to hang a wall composition, usually consisting of pictures, mirrors and other decorations, knows how hard it is to get the proper balance worked out. Experts always suggest that the various pieces be laid out on the floor first. Hanging, the next step, is even more difficult. Now Broyhill Furniture Industries offers hanging instructions free with every one of their 10 wall groupings. There is a wrapping-paper template with each piece outlined and the exact position of each picture hook shown. All you do is tape the diagram to the wall, put a small piece of tape over the nail marks, hammer in nails or picture hooks and remove the template.

Getting rounder. We had lunch with Tucker Madawick, vice president, RCA Sales Corp., to talk about design directions in home-entertainment equipment. According to Tucker, "Straight geometry has had it—cabinets are getting rounder, curvier, softer, more sculptural. Modern materials such as aluminum, steel and plastic are in, but severe, right-angle monolithic modern is out." And for a look at other recent developments in round furniture, turn to page 66.

Made for each other. More and more furniture firms are joining forces with lamp makers. The reason? To give their retail customers—that's you—better coordinated designs so that you will know that the lamp really goes with the table or cabinet because it was specifically designed to do so. Thayer Coggin teamed up with George Kovacs, a New York lamp manufacturer-retailer; others, such as Tsao Design and Directional Industries, are following suit.



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QUESTION: I have a chrome antique Russian samovar. Should I convert it into a lamp?

ANSWER: First, if your samovar is chrome, rather than brass or silver, it is probably not an antique. As for converting it into a lamp, we think it should remain a samovar forever. Pieces that start out in life as one thing and are converted into something quite different frequently lose their original value and charm.

QUESTION: I have often seen decorating articles in your magazine in which you show an area rug over wall-to-wall carpeting. We have done the same thing in our living room, but find that the area rug keeps creeping up instead of lying flat. Is there anything we can do to prevent this?

ANSWER: Face the underside of your area rug with double-faced carpet tape. This will fasten it securely and enable

you to pick it up when necessary without damaging the carpeting beneath. When you have the rug cleaned, it will be necessary for you to replace the tape.

QUESTION: We have new draperies in our bedroom in a pattern that now seems to me to be a huge mistake. They are an abstract print in purple, avocado, red and dark blue. Walls are white and we have no bed-

spread or carpet. What can I do to quiet the room?

ANSWER: Paint the walls navy blue and use a bedspread and upholstered headboard in navy-blue suede cloth, corduroy or heavy cotton. Stain the floors dark and use a deep red area rug. Instead of conventional night tables, we suggest a Parsons table at one end, an oversized cube at the other, both in the same deep red as the rug. By using all dark tones, the draperies will appear less startling and your room will be both elegant and serene.

QUESTION: Our library has dark teak-paneled walls. What wood should I use for end tables?

ANSWER: Teak is a rather distinctive wood and really goes best with more of the same or something completely different. A table with a glass top and steel or brass base, or one with a colored lacquer finish, teams well with teak.

QUESTION: Our oak-paneled living room looks cold. Would a flowered-chintz slipcover on the sofa make it any warmer and livelier?

ANSWER: Flowered chintz is too fragile-looking a fabric to support a whole room of wood paneling. Geometrics, stripes or plaids would be preferable. However, if you insist on flowers, make sure the pattern is large. A deep background fabric with a lighter print is best against pale walls.

QUESTION: Would it be proper to make a curved archway into our living room even though the other doorways are square? I'm trying for a Mediterranean feeling and thought this might add to it.



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UESTION: Do you have a drapery lution for a pair of windows that eet in the corner of the room? NSWER: Use a wood or brass rod with igs and install curtains that hang to

e sill. When opening the curtains, aw them to opposite corners of each

UESTION: You've shown several rpets in sisal. Would this marial hold up in our entry area here the children track in dirt, now. etc.?

NSWER: Sisal carpet is durable, but e wouldn't recommend it for the area ou describe. It is constructed in a igelike weave, which means that ere are high and low areas. Mud and rt would get into the low areas, and nce this fiber has a tenacious quality it ould be very difficult to dislodge dirt. owever, sisal carpeting can be used in most every other area of the house.

UESTION: There is a rather wide iche in our living room with a 50nch-wide window over an old-fashned radiator. Since floor-length urtains will only block the heat, hat else can I do?

NSWER: Cover the window with sillngth curtains, Roman shades or fabric indow shades. Make a screen of louers, available unfinished at lumberyards nd in need of only hinges and a coat of aint. Stand this screen in front of the adiator, allowing room for heat to cirulate. Paint it to match the color of he walls.

UESTION: Our kitchen opens off he entry hall and has no door since here's no room for one. I plan to ut a console table and mirror on he opposite wall, but am concernd about reflecting nothing but he kitchen. Must I change my lan?

NSWER: Not at all. While a convenional door may not do for you, conider a bifold door which simply folds ack to one side within the frame, or a air of louvered panels with a magnetic atch that swing open and close easily vithout taking up wall space.





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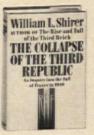
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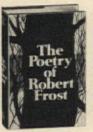
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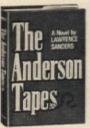




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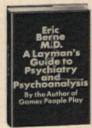


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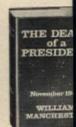


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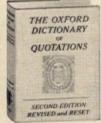
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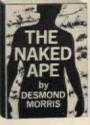
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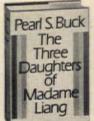
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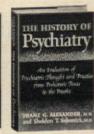
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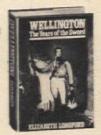
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The Hotel Del Coronado in 1890 (below) was a plush pleasure palace whose lavishness lured the tycoon trade. Today (left) this grande dame of the West, enhanced by modern-day trappings, still bustles as a year-round vacation mecca.



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California in the 19th century is alive and well and thriving in the form of a magnificent turreted old structure known as the Hotel Del Coronado. The scores of rabbit hunters who used to ride across the sand and brush nearby are gone. The huge tent city that spread southward down the beach has folded into history. There's not a private railroad car to be seen in Coronado. And even the ferry boats have lost out to "progress"-the new bridge from San Diego. But this proud landmark, a stately anachronism in the Space Age, carries on. A favorite with holiday-happy Californians at any time of year, a full house of 850 is expected this Labor Day weekend, repeating a perennial pattern that, like the hotel itself, survives year after year.

In a state grown used to watching glass and concrete cubes replace romantic buildings of the past, coming on the Del Coronado is a rare experience. Big, round, red-shingled towers cut the sky above the palm tops. Wide green lawns protect the great old galleried frame. In a central gardened courtyard, a bougainvillaea blooms as it did three-quarters of a century ago. And in the paneled lobby, the same quaint, gilded cage hauls guests to the fourth floor without showing any signs of age. The cable, in fact, was replaced for the first time in 1968—80 years after the hotel opened. More modern elevators share its work, just as comfortable furnishings have replaced the stiff-backed Victorian. But somehow even push-button-era comforts and efficiency have not intruded on the spirit of a bygone Camelot.

Guests are still served in the enormous dining room known since opening day as the Crown Room. The chandeliers and ornate ceiling here have dazzled the Who's Who of the world and continue to do so four generations later. The incomparable pastries on the menu still come fresh from the huge firebrick ovens over which Argyle Andrew Benedict has been presiding since the 1930's. Since there's no temperature gauge, he tests the heat by pushing his arm in from

time to time, and in the old-fashioned Del Coronado way, shoves the bread, wedding cakes, et al in and out on long wooden paddles. There are no pans.

This grande dame of the West was born at a time when railroads were offering bargain tours from the East Coast and promoters were whetting appetites with tales of golden California land. One Elisha S. Babcock, an Indiana railroad man, and H.L. Story, a piano manufacturer from Chicago, arrived on the scene and, over a bit of jackrabbit shooting on the bleak and barren stretch of sand, hatched a scheme that made their contemporaries look like pikers. Along with others, they formed a syndicate and bought all of Coronado (then unnamed) and North Island for \$110,000. Then, since no land-sale adventure in such uninspiring surroundings was worth a tinker's dam if it didn't have a big hotel to kick it off, they launched a spectacular plan to build one of more than worthy dimensions on their newly acquired property. (continued)

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#### DEL CORONADO continued

With the help of two Chicago architects, the brothers Reid, a small army of unskilled Chinese laborers imported from San Francisco and indefatigable promotion, what Babcock likened to "a fairy palace" rose up from the beach. However, no palace before, nor hotel either for that matter, had ever been equipped with electricity. This was the first large installation, and no less a luminary than Thomas Alva Edison himself came out to supervise the job. The electric plant supplied all the hotel's needs until 1960-and even took care of the town for many years.

In addition to a climate whose benefits were endless, and water that would cure many ailments, the hotel's original prospectus trumpeted these assets:

"Number of rooms, 750; dining room seats 1,000 persons; 30 billiard tablesfour for ladies; ballroom area, 11,000 square feet; breakfast area, 4,800 square feet; 2,500 incandescent lights; four 85-foot bowling alleys.

"Yet with all this magnificent splendor, elegant surroundings and other excellencies afforded at this charming

place, the rates here are as moderate as those of any ordinary hotel, ranging from \$2 per day and upwards by the month; transients from \$3 per day and upwards according to room." The rates have risen with time; they now start at \$13 for a single, climb to \$60 for a handsome suite on the ocean side.

When the Del Coronado opened in 1888, there were 390 bedrooms, each with a cherry-mantled fireplace and a personal wall safe-no two rooms alike. Fireplaces and safes have, for the most part, been removed during remodeling and there are now 400 bedrooms. Baths have been added. Since there were only 73 to start, many of the elegant guests trooped down the hall.

The elegant guests, incidentally, crowded a guest list that takes a backseat to none. Over the years, it has logged in five presidents, Tiffanys, Astors, Vanderbilts, tycoons of every description and a fat slice of Hollywood and the entertainment world (stars still come here for moments of quiet anonymity). It was the backdrop for United Artists' Some Like It Hot, and TV

cameras are constantly scanning its crannies for atmospheric settings.

Through all its conjuring up of past tense, the lumbering old structure is very much of the present. Crews work continually to face-lift, refurbish, keep it young-all with care.

Young families have moved in. Children play in the corridors that once held the bowling alleys or run on the grounds where a fighting ostrich named Sir General Grant once held court. A teen-age center blasts rock and roll from its mod quarters below the elegant grand ballroom. And a plush cocktail lounge has taken over what used to be the "rocking-chair porch" of former days.

Summers proffer a full program for all groups of youngsters, and parents can escape to tennis courts (four), golf course, pool and spa or the mile of powder beach that runs in front of the hotel.

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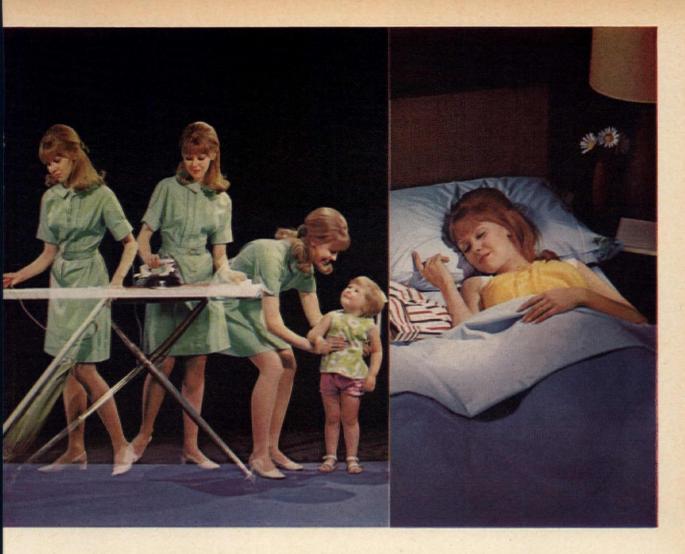
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# LADIES OF THE LANES

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Question: What's noisier than 50 babbling women under one roof? Answer: 50 babbling women under one roof throwing bowling balls.

It's almost back-to-school time, and thousands of mothers all over the land can hardly wait. The minute the kids are out of the house, half of them will leap back into bed. The rest will likely make a beeline for the bowling lanes. Yes, today's mothers bowl. They bowl with their church groups, fraternal organizations, civic clubs. They bowl with the girls from the country club, the PTA or just the neighborhood gang. In fact, they sign up for a bowling league as soon as they sign up the youngest for kindergarten—sooner, if the local modern, shining pin palace boasts a kiddy-care center.

Did you know that bowling is the biggest game sport in America today? There are some 3,000,000 regular women bowlers alone (and 7,000,000 more bowl at least once a year). What's the attraction? Why grab bowling gear and hotfoot it to the lanes every Thursday at 10, come rain or shine, dirty dishes or sick husband? Some women join a bowling league for the exercise. It beats calisthenics, and you can't golf in the snow. Some women join to make new friends. There's nothing like a bowling league to break the ice if you've just moved into town. Some women join to keep up on the neighborhood gossip. Some even join because they like to bowl.

League bowling in a ladies' league is one of the oddest sports ever invented by American women to fill their leisure time. It's as relaxing as taking a crosscountry motor trip with five children under the age of 5. If there's anything noisier than 50 babbling women all under one roof, it's 50 babbling women all under one roof who are throwing bowling balls. When men bowl, all they do is pick up the ball and throw it. When women bowl, they scream, shout, squeal, giggle, clap, cheer and groan. In between, they just chat. I don't know why the TV networks waste their time on men's professional bowling tours. A ladies' league, any day in the week, has more drama, suspense, intrigue, high tragedy, low comedy-and, of course, more leg show.

Are you thinking of joining a ladies' league? Before you do, you should understand how it works. But don't rush out and buy a book. Handbooks on bowling for women won't tell you what you need to know. They may tell you what to wear, how to keep score and how to make a spare, but they'll tell you nothing about the ins and outs of the game. In fact, learning the textbook rules will only confuse you. What's the use of knowing, for instance, that the bowler on the right always goes first if

the lady on the right lane doesn't know it? She'll nod to you. You'll nod to her. You may stand there playing "After you, Alphonse" for five minutes, if you're too concerned with etiquette. What you really need to know are all the unwritten rules and regulations, the little traditions, taboos and inside jokes that govern ladies' bowling.

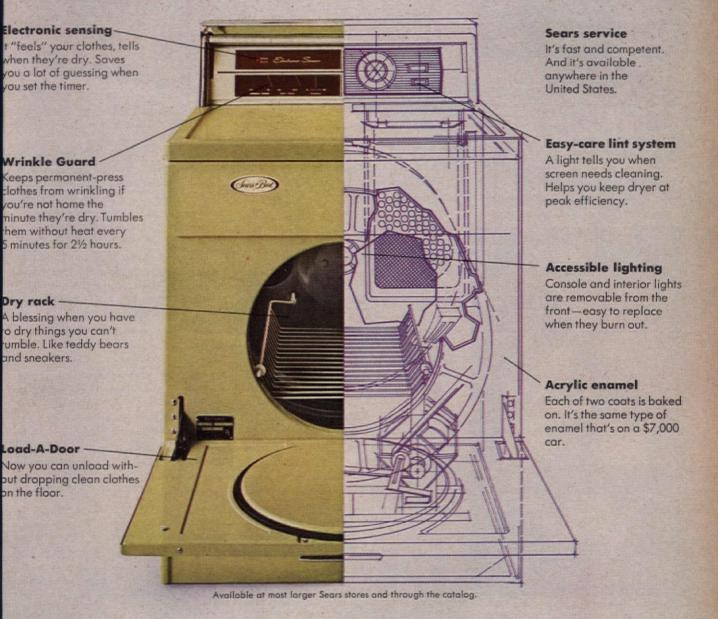
The first rule of any woman's league is that the teams must have cute names. Before you can get down to serious bowling, you have to pick a categorysuch as flowers, fruits, birds, cars, candies, ice cream flavors, laundry soaps, intoxicating beverages, obscure 16thcentury Elizabethan heroines. Any category that will yield a dozen team names will do. One year you may be the Daisies, Lady's Slippers or Skunk Cabbages -the next, Lollipops, Jelly Beans or All-Day Suckers. Obviously, the competition is twice as keen when the Tutti Fruttis are neck-and-neck with the Chocolate Chips, or when it's the Pink Ladies versus the Hot Toddies.

The main reason for having cute names is to fire up team spirit. Spirit is what counts in a ladies' league and, as any lady bowler knows, it's more inspiring to be on the Jelly Beans than on Team 1 or Team 2. If you're a Jelly Bean, you won't bring your knitting or your needlepoint to occupy those moments when a teammate is bowling. You won't write letters and make up next week's grocery list. You won't trot around visiting friends in other lanes. Every time a member of your team gets up to bowl, you'll be there right with her. If she makes a spare, you'll clap your hands off. If she makes a strike, you'll scream yourself hoarse. While you're on the bench, you'll be an important part of the action-nudging, stamping, kicking the pins down for your teammates.

"Learning the lingo" is another rule of the game. But don't worry about fancy textbook jargon. You don't have to know that "goal posts" are the 7-10 split. Nobody cares if you're up on "Faith, Hope and Charity," "basket with a handle," "dimestore split" or "barmaid." All you need are four phrases to repeat over and over, (continued)

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#### LADIES OF THE LANES continued

week after week, month after month. "You were robbed!" is one of them. The others are "That'll go, Gert," "Get the wood, Mabel" and "Slide it over, Sadie." After a few months, you may be tempted to come up with something more original. Perhaps you can bring in a new twist with "What did you have for breakfast this morning?" every time somebody gets a strike.

Every lady bowler knows that what you eat for breakfast can make or break your game. So can the color of the socks you're wearing or the flavor of Life Saver you're chewing or the bowler you're sitting next to. If you're having bad luck, for instance, run over and touch a girl who just got a strike. If that doesn't work, you can stamp your feet, talk to yourself or turn yourself around three times counterclockwise. As a last resort, you can ask the scorekeeper to give you a "squiggle." Drawing a squiggly line around your last box is the surest way to improve your game.

If you're not superstitious, there are many sensible, concrete, money-costing bowling aids you can try. You can buy nonslip grip creams. You can try a thumb guard. You can purchase a wrist support or make one yourself from a Popsicle stick. You can even buy bowling blinders. But a lady's most important accessory is her hand rag. If you really want to bowl like a champion, you'll get yourself a battered, tattletalegray washcloth to use before you bowl. It's all right to use one of the communal rags, towels or sponges strewn around the lanes, but whatever you do, don't swipe someone else's.

Even worse than picking up the wrong rag is picking up the wrong ball. On your first visit to the lanes, you assume that all the balls on the rack are there for everyone to use. Naturally, you'll pick the prettiest one-the hot-pink ball, the one with polka dots or the baby blue number with the pink swirls. You may roll away blissfully for an hour before it slowly dawns on you that the air has turned chilly. Eventually, someone will whisper that the polka-dot ball is Ethel's. By that time, old Ethel will be polka dot herself. If you don't want to make the same mistake again, just pick the tackiest, dirtiest, most pitted ball on the rack—it always belongs to the lanes. And if someone offers to let you try her ball for fun, don't. The next time she bowls, she's bound to throw a gutter ball and will be convinced you did something to her ball.

Being new at the game, you'll prob-

ably be worried stiff about your form. your approach, your delivery. Relax. Tension is fatal in bowling. Calm your nerves by looking around at others' forms. You won't believe how many different ways there are to bowl. You can bowl right-handed or leftie. You can bound up like a gazelle or lumber up to the line like a tipsy turtle. You can take three steps or four or five. You can even take no steps and just stand like a lump at the foul line. You can wipe your feet, wring your hands, do a few entrechats. flap your arms like a bird, gaze dreamily into space, do a split, do a jig or do any other thing you like. Watching 50 lady bowlers in action, you may find it hard to believe they're all playing the same game. Seeing how they look from the rear, you'll wonder how it must be from the front view and decide that automatic pinsetting machines must have been invented in desperation by a pinboy. But at least you'll stop worrying about how you look.

The thing you want to worry about is getting up there. Holding up the game is unforgivable in any league. Don't be a dawdler, a daydreamer, an alley-hopper. Don't wait till the bowler ahead of you is all settled back in her seat. Keep a sharp eye out. Be poised for flight. Practice so that your foot hits the ground at the very second she pushes the reset button. No matter how badly you bowl, if nobody ever has to say, "You're up," everyone will love you.

Of course, you'll probably never get to be on the team you want to be on. The team lineups are usually drawn up by league officers mathematically, based on individual bowling averages. Every team gets one good bowler, one bad bowler and a couple of in-betweens. It only seems that it's against the rules to put your best friend on your team. It only seems that the schedule is "fixed" so that every time your team bowls with hers you're in Bermuda or her kids have measles. (Being in Bermuda is considered an acceptable excuse for missing a week's bowling. Having kids with measles isn't. After all, you're still in the country.) It only seems that you always end up on the same team with the one woman in the league you happen to like least.

All the ladies in the league know that bowling is just a game. Everybody's there just because it's good fun, good exercise and a good way to make friends. Nobody but nobody cares about winning. At least, not out loud. It's one of those unwritten rules.



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## THE PLUMB LINE

Editor's note: In this new AH column, Barbara Plumb will bring you month-by-month news of developments affecting our environment and our architecture.

#### SCIENCE TO THE RESCUE

A group of scientists, led by James E. Guillet of the University of Toronto, has developed a method of making plastics for containers which will decompose when exposed to sunlight but retain their form indoors. Guillet predicts that the price of the new materials will be only slightly higher than that of present-day plastics. . . And an inventor in Tacoma, Wash., Willis R. Lebo, has developed a method for producing odor-free garbage "bricks." Though housing experiments in Japan have used compressed garbage as building blocks since 1968, Lebos olved the problem of smell. His solution: treating the garbage with quicklime and soda ash before compressing.

#### **FUN AFLOAT**

An inspired job of recycling has been done by the Pawtucket, R.I., Model City Demonstration Agency. They have refitted the Newport-to-Jamestown ferry, retired from service in 1969, as a recreation center for young people. Nine students and a professor from the Rhode Island School of Design developed the plan.

#### EXIT: IVORY TOWER

Architects, at least the younger ones, are changing their view of what their function in society is. They no longer see themselves solely as the creators of beautiful but isolated buildings and houses. They are facing up to the hard fact that most of the man-made environment in this country has nothing to do with their profession. They plan to change all that by becoming architects cum entrepreneur-builders. By assuming a financial stake in the action, these architects hope to be able to control the aesthetics of large building projects in this country. They are going into the ghettos to find out what people really need and want. They're no longer sitting back waiting to be asked. And from a "save our resources" vantage, these environmental activists are talking of lobbying against the use of increasingly scarce natural building materials.

#### LEARNING ANEW

More than 25 universities, including the University of California, Columbia, University of Michigan, Princeton, University of Tulsa, Yale and Cornell, are offering a new program in environmental studies. On many of these campuses, architecture will no longer be taught as an isolated course but as one of the interrelated (continued)





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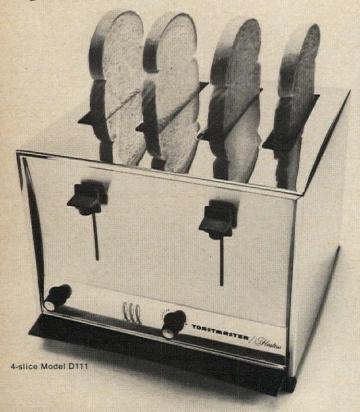
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#### REMODELING HELP

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is offering some free advice to anyone who wants to remodel his house. A postcard request to the Community Relations Division, Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C. 20410, will bring a copy of the booklet, "Fixing Up Your Home: What to Do and How to Finance It." The publication gives advice on selecting contractors, comparing bids and understanding contract terms.

#### HOUSING PROGRESS?

In 1950 the United States was the world's leading producer of houses, with 16 units being built for every 1,000 people. Now we have slipped behind Western Europe, Japan and Russia with a ratio of six per thousand.

#### CHANGING WEATHER

Do you often think that the weather is worsening? Apparently it is. A government-sponsored study of weather conditions around St. Louis and Chicago has produced evidence that North America's climate is being altered by air pollution. Dr. Walter O. Roberts, past president of The American Association for the Advancement of Science, foresees that by the year 2000 the weather will be a matter of "global concern." According to experts, the outlook is for rainier and hotter weather. The extra rain comes from the seeding of clouds by such common pollutants as lead from automobile exhausts and sulfur dioxide from oil-fired electric power plants. The warmer weather, particularly in cities, is due to the production of electrical energy which is now doubling about every 17 years.



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## FROM HOME BASE

Here is a quick guide to choosing the greatest kitchen footing around . . . comfortable, colorful, cleanable, resilient flooring.

Imagine yourself standing for 3,640 hours on the kitchen floor! That's our estimate of the yearly average for most women with young children. So why not treat your feet to a resilient floor? "Resilient" is a catchall term for flooring which is soft underfoot and springs back to shape after you walk on it. It is handsome, treadable, cleanable and relatively inexpensive.

If you think you would like to install resilient flooring in your kitchen, resolve these two questions before you plunge into color and pattern:

First, consider the grade level. This

concerns the floor's relationship to ground level. If your kitchen floor is on a concrete slab in direct contact with the ground (on grade), you won't be able to use a few resilient products as the dampness affects them. Other resilient materials can be used anywhere.

Second, choose between resilient sheet material or tile. There are two considerations: cleanability and cost. Besides being the chef's domain, the kitchen is also home base for pets and children, who track in mud, sand and dust over the usual spills and dribbles from cooking. So sheet flooring, with few dirtcatching seams, is the better choice. Some sheet materials can be laid by the do-it-yourselfer but most must be installed professionally. Thus sheet flooring generally costs more than tile.

If cost is a bigger consideration than cleaning, use tile instead. It is easy to install and economical. Asphalt tile is the lowest in cost, but it does not resist grease as well as vinyl-asbestos tile, which is also more resilient and comes in more attractive colors and patterns. Solid vinyl tile may appeal to you more as it comes in the brightest colors and designs, yet is easy to install and clean.

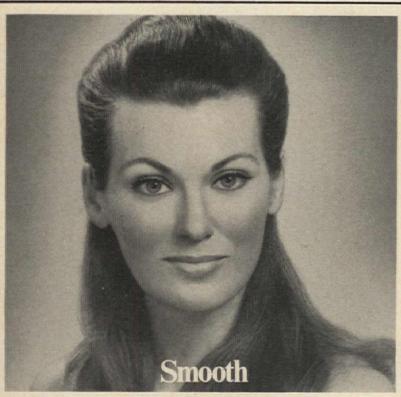
Now that you have considered the grade level and the basic types, sort out the options. These extra-performance features may raise the cost a bit but they are often worth it in the long run. One popular option is the extra cushion which is available on some sheet floorings or tile. The flooring with the thickest cushion is, of course, the most comfortable to walk on. It won't prevent varicose veins but it does deaden noise, is as comfortable as carpeting and is cleaner, too. Walk on store samples to make your own "cushion test."

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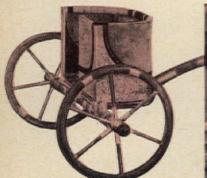
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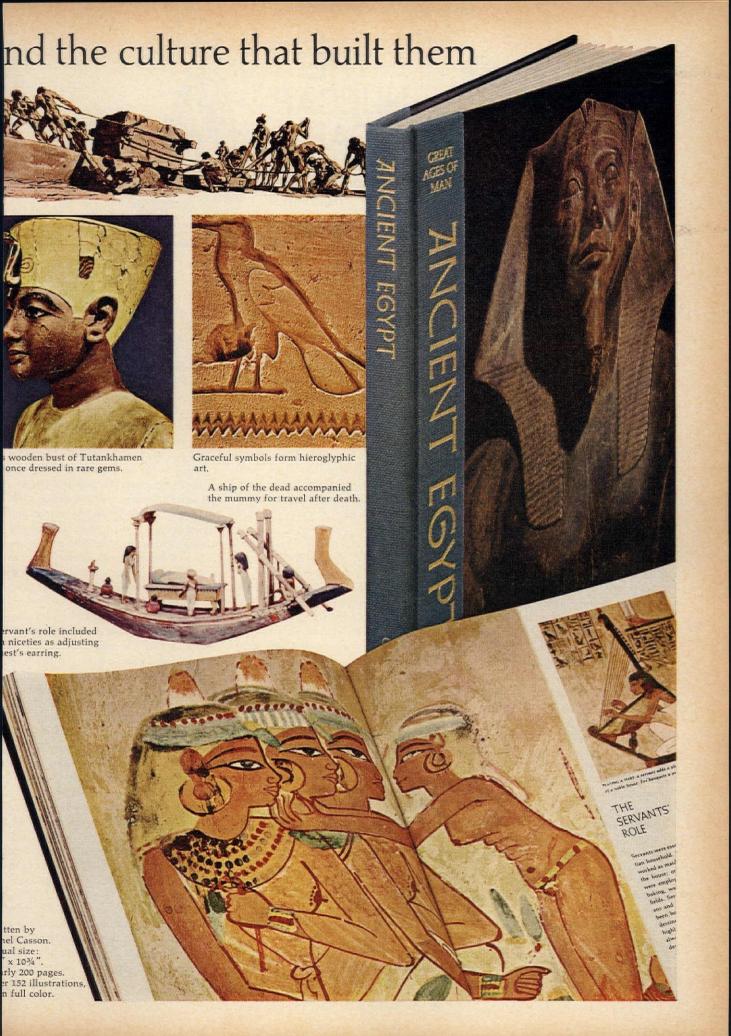
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And how to bridge it by becoming fluent in driver "road talk."

By Denise McCluggage



Much is said these days about the lack of communication. Some of these failures are important enough to be given names—The Credibility Gap, The Generation Gap, etc. Little is heard, however, about a communications hang-up we suffer from daily and which often leads to bloodshed. Such oversight is corrected here and now as we take up "The Hubcap Gap," or if you prefer the pseudo-sociological: "Inter-Driver Relationships (Short of Direct Encounter)."

The question is: How can the driver of one vehicle best let the driver of another vehicle know what his intentions are, and, conversely, how can he best determine "What in the name of all that's moving does that wool-brained idiot in front of me think he is doing now?"

As pedestrians scurrying helter-skelter on sidewalks, through office corridors, up and down stairways, we incur a remarkably low incidence of damaging bodily contact. There are always those little dances of indecision when people meet face-to-face, but the dilemma is usually resolved in good humor.

In a day's charging about on foot in even the most densely peopled places, a pedestrian will use a number of "No, no, after you" nods, some "Excuse me" smiles and maybe even a mumbled "Thank you" for an elevator door held open. Nice person, really. But put that same person in a car and the program can change completely. A scowl tightens the brow, pithy descriptions of other drivers form on the lips and tension charges the air. Why does it so often happen that Dr. Jekyll walks mildly to his garage only to have Mr. Hyde come driving out?

Efforts to explain this pedestrian-todriver change have been many; some of the recent ones extend the "territorial imperative" theory of aggression to the automotive world. The driver, now surrounded by his "expanded skin," the car, feels more keenly the encroachment of others on his living space and reacts accordingly. There may be something in this, but we can attribute much of the irritability of the driving population to sheer frustration—the driver's frustration at not being able to make his intentions readily known to others and not knowing the intentions of others. This is a problem that deserves more consideration. Means of communication between drivers, clearly and simply, should be studied. The "voices" that are available now should be used to their full capacity, and all drivers should become fluent in the sign language of the road.

There are basically four ways for a driver to communicate to other road users: lights, horn, hand signals and position of the car.

#### LIGHTS

Turn signals, with a blinking light indicating the direction the driver intends to turn, can have their meaning confused by misuse. The worst offenders are drivers who don't turn their signals on soon enough and drivers who absentmindedly leave them on for mile after unturned mile.

When is "soon enough"? There are laws that specify a minimum distance from the turn that a signal should be made, but in this case common sense (wishing, at the same time, that common sense were more common) can be a better guide. "Soon enough" is soon enough to let the driver behind you put the information your lights are communicating to use. How many times while driving in traffic have you followed a car in the left lane up to a stoplight only to have him flick on his intention to turn just as the light changes to green? And there you are, stuck behind him. Had he indicated earlier that he was going to turn, you could have maneuvered over to the other lane-the one whose motorists are now slipping past your right window as you sit behind this blink-blinking car.

When you know you are going to turn, don't be stingy with your information—

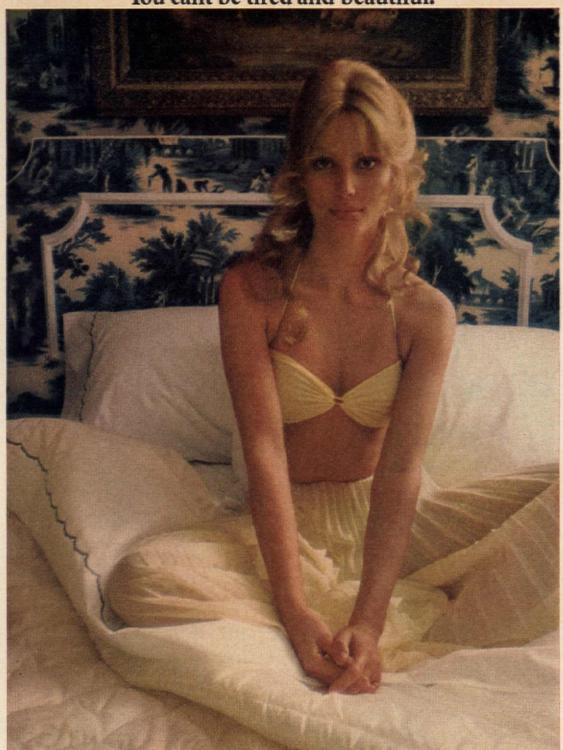
let the other cars know it, too. Early signaling is particularly important when you are going to have to slow down to make your turn out of fast-moving traffic. It cannot be emphasized enough: Signal your intention to turn before vou brake to slow down for the turn. Your brake pedal is also a light switch. It turns on those red brake lights at the back of your car that tell following drivers "I'm slowing down." But that information alone is maddeningly, if not dangerously, incomplete. It doesn't say why you are slowing down. Has a dog darted into the road ahead? Did you just remember you left the iron on? The suspense isn't broken until you decide to let the other driver in on the secret and signal for your turn. Suspense can be killing-particularly in this case if the driver following you decides to nip around your slowing car and happens to choose the side toward which you want to turn, running into you.

Your turn signal gives the driver behind a whole serving of information on which to plan his own actions: It tells him you are planning to turn soon, it tells him in which direction you will turn and, since he knows that you will have to slow down to make the turn, it tells him that you will be braking soon.

Brake lights can be made more "expressive" and used to communicate shades of meaning to the drivers behind you. They needn't say only: "I'm slowing down." Tapping the brake rapidly makes the lights flash-flash-flash a more urgent "Emergency!" to the drivers following and alerts them to expect something more than a mere slowing. This nuance of meaning may save you from an end-to-end collision on a superhighway that suddenly clogs up.

Headlights, too, are used for communication as well as for illuminating your path. At night, headlights tapped from dim to bright and back to dim tell a car you're following that you are about to pass. They ask an approaching car to dim his bright lights. (continued)

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#### THE HUBCAP GAP continued

They advise a car nosing out from a side street to stay put until you have passed. And they can—when flashed up and down several times—remind the car behind you that his brights are still on and are boring holes in your retina via your rearview mirror. A note of caution: Do this only when there is no one approaching you in the oncoming lane. If there is, your signal of irritation meant for the car behind you may confuse the oncoming driver.

By day, headlights can be equally useful for "talking" to other cars and yet they are used infrequently in this country. (Truck drivers are all but verbose with their lights, night and day. You might learn something from them.) Most European cars come equipped with a lever that allows a driver fingertip access to flashing his headlights. It makes daytime "light conversation" much easier than having to reach for a headlight switch.

#### HORN

This valuable auto voice has fallen into dis- and misuse for a variety of reasons. Mostly it is used to express impatience and to scream at other cars in traffic jams—in spite of noise-abatement laws. It is rarely used in a spirit of good feeling and for the simple imparting of information. One reason honking has come to be considered rude is that most automobile horns are strident and blaring. It is unnecessary for them to be so offensive to the ear to assure audibility—pure musical tones can be as penetrating of traffic noise as the shrillest horn. And no one can take offense at being orchestrated at.

Because horns are so generally rudesounding, drivers rarely use them unless they are feeling rude themselves. Yet a gently tapped horn can say, "Excuse me. Maybe you don't see me, but I am here" before it needs to be leaned on to shout, "Hey, you dolt, you're backing into me!"

#### HAND SIGNALS

The standard, official hand signals for stopping and turning (still not universally the same, incidentally), are more and more being replaced by turn signals and brake lights. Sometimes, however, it is wise to use these hand signals in conjunction with your turn signals to call attention to special circumstances. The law does not require this, but in car-tocar communication mere compliance with the law is often not enough to avoid misunderstanding. Say you are going to turn into a driveway or a minor road shortly before a main intersection. A turn signal alone may allow the driver behind to conclude that you are planning to turn at the intersection and he may be following too closely when your little road comes up. Doubling your signals, using hands as well as lights, clues him in that there is something special about this turn you are making. If there is any possibility of ambiguity, underline your intentions with additional signals.

There are informal hand signals that can make communication clearer, too. Motioning a car to pass you, or into line ahead of you from a side road, can also make your intentions immediately clear. (You will find that a quickly communicated "After you" to a driver waiting to join traffic will take up less time than if the two of you mutely jockeyed for position, eyes carefully avoiding the risk of direct contact for fear you might suddenly see each other as human beings instead of machines.)

The matter of eye contact brings up another neglected means of communication between drivers—"looking." When you are at a stop, you can glean all sorts of information (continued)

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#### THE HUBCAP GAP continued

by looking at another driver. See what he is looking at, where his attention is, and you will know more about what to expect his car to do. Be specific in your looking, but keep your eyes scanning. Watch his hands on the wheel. And above all, watch his front wheels. Whatever he may be signaling with hands, eyes, lights or horn, his car can only turn the way the front wheels are aimed.

Looking at another driver gives him information he needs to know about you, too. It says to him: "I see you." And that's an important thing to have another driver know. When you are at a stop street or about to pull out of a parking place, an open, direct look at the approaching drivers will tell them that their existence is acknowledged.

Another use for the look is in a parallel-parking situation. You see a space about to open up and you want it, but you are followed closely behind. Before you draw into position, flick on your turn signal, stop and look at the driver behind—over the car seat right through your rear window and into his eyes. You might even point at the car about to disempark. Anything to make your intention clear.

#### POSITION OF THE CAR

The way your car is pointed should communicate a great deal about your intentions to other drivers even without other signals. (But this doesn't mean you can eliminate the signals.) To make a left turn, hug the left line, leaving as much room as possible for cars to slip

around you on the right. If you have to wait for approaching traffic to pass, angle your car slightly in the direction of the turn so that your plans are an open book. (The National Safety Council advises against actually turning your wheels in the direction of your planned turn as you wait since you might be pushed into oncoming traffic should you be struck from behind.) On right turns, stay similarly close to that side of the road.

There are other ways to use your car's position to telegraph your intentions to other drivers. When you approach a main thoroughfare from a side street, for instance, don't go charging up to the brink of the intersection, making another driver coming down the thoroughfare wonder if you are going to stop. Besides looking at him to tell him he is seen, stop slightly short of the junction to dispel any doubts on his part. Since he now knows that he is seen and that you are going to stop, he needn't hesitate and you are on your way with a minimum of fuss.

And when you are following a car on a high-speed road and his directional signal flicks on for a turn, slow down immediately and perceptibly so that the driver can see in his mirror that you have obviously received his signal and will not run up his tailpipe as he makes his turn.

And so road talk goes. It is true that it's a limited language and it is true that most drivers aren't very adept at it. But fluency must start somewhere. The next time you are out in your car, figure out what other drivers might like to know about your intentions and then let them know. Speak up. Help Stamp Out the Hubcap Gap.

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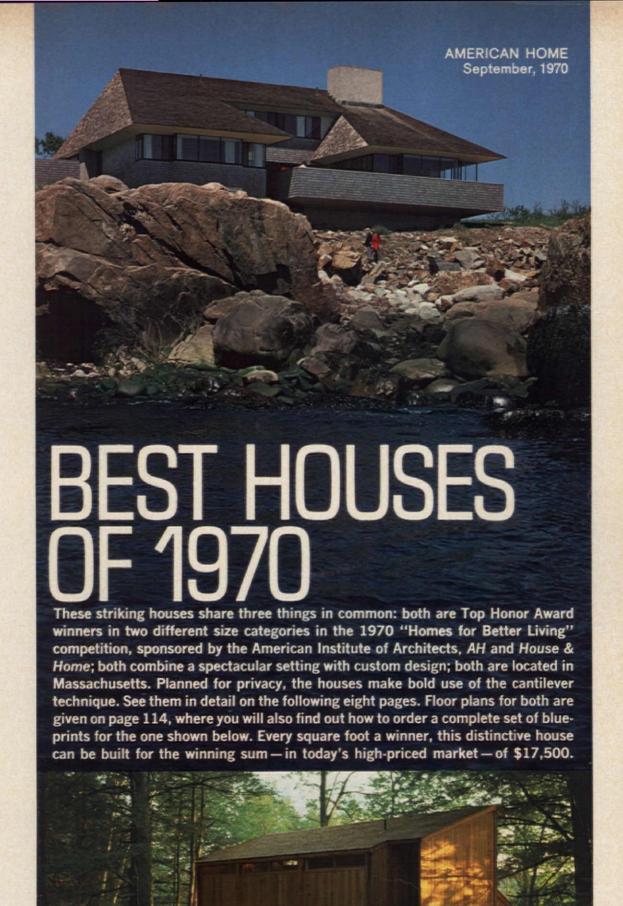
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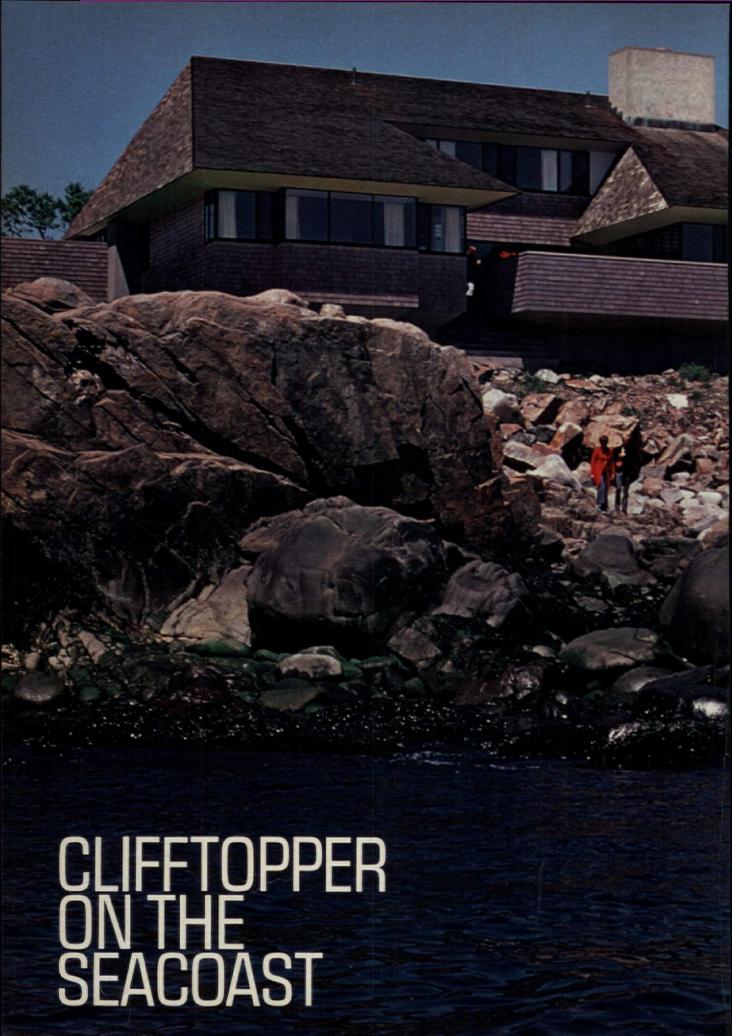
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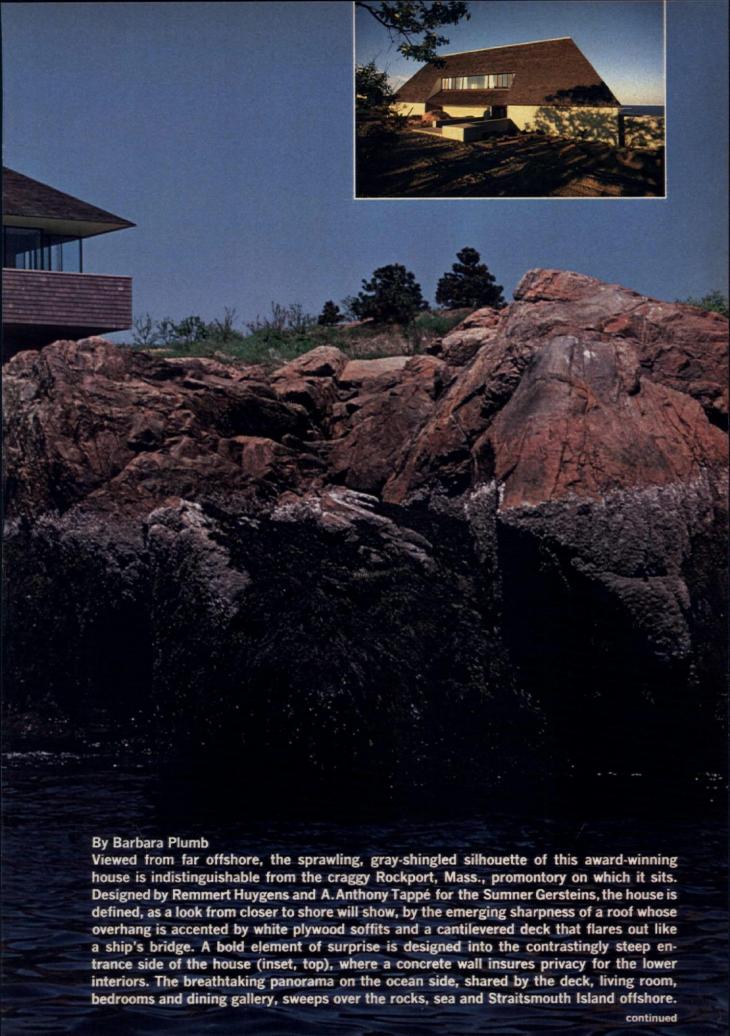
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The master bedroom (above) is furnished to serve as a sitting room, private breakfast area or as a secluded place to read.



Pamela Gerstein busies herself in the kitchen (above). Flooring material is Welsh quarry tile.

#### CLIFFTOPPER ON THE SEACOAST continued

One enters the house by descending a short flight of stairs to the main floor, from which other stairs lead down via the deck to the rocky cliff and ocean 20 feet below. Since there are other houses nearby, the house is designed as a "U" with wings on either side providing a private view of the splendid seascape. The Gersteins, who have two college-age daughters, Pamela and Amy, asked that the house be built so that in winter they could live self-contained on the first floor without having to heat the girls' area upstairs. "They were at an age when we didn't think they would be spending much time around home," Sumner says. "But we were wrong—they love the house as much as Florence and I do."

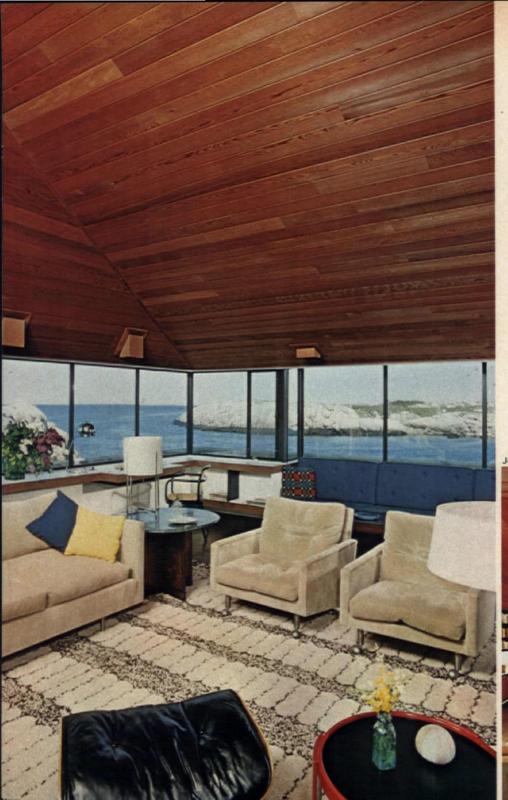


Sandblasted concrete wall provides a warm backdrop for the dining gallery (right), which overlooks the rocks and sea beyond. Huygens designed the dining table and cabinetry. Pendant lamp is supplemented by recessed downlights.

Deck (below) is screened from the wind by living room and bedroom wings and a low wall. Stairs at right lead to rocks. The Gersteins and daughter Pamela (below) enjoy a laugh in front of the living room's massive brick fireplace. Entrance to the dining gallery is at rear.











A redwood ceiling was chosen for the living room (above) to help soften reflected glare from the sea. The area perimeter includes a built-in bench, desk and lights that wash over curtainless windows at night. Seating area, 8 feet in diameter (architects Huygen's and Tappé's ideal measure for easy conversation), rings a Moroccan rug in front of the fireplace (above, right). The sculptured white fireplace wall is in dramatic contrast to the tentlike ceiling.

A year ago, Long Island schoolteachers Louise Buonaguro and Annette Swanson pooled their savings toward a cherished goal: a weekend house on a lakefront lot in the beautiful Berkshire hills of Massachusetts. Rather than settle for a standardized builder's house or a mobile home, they asked architect Bernard Marson for a \$16,000 custom design. (Today, it would cost\$17,500 to build.) He came up with a two-level house which is approached by a bridge from a steep, narrow lot, a site luxuriant with large hemlock trees. Marson cut costs by using a single layer of cedar planking to serve as both the exterior and interior walls and by resting the house on piers instead of pouring a foundation. Because of his high. narrow design, Marson was able to save many of the trees on the property. By exposing the bare bones of the structure, he eliminated finishing costs. (continued)



Supporting piers (above) are outside extensions of interior columns. Louvers on deck provide cross ventilation.



## LAKEFRONT HIDEAWAY IN

need for a bridge to the house interior. Narrow window slots on the entrance side and windowless side walls insure privacy.



THE BERKSHIRES

Ernst Haas

#### LAKESIDE HIDEAWAY continued





Exposed roof beams, viewed from the bedroom balcony (above), lead the eye down to the lower floor and deck. The sleeping area, divided into two rooms by a storage-dresser partition, is bathed in light by a clerestory window facing the lake and by slot windows on the entrance side.

Bedroom windows (above, right), facing tall hemlocks outside, are just large enough for light, viewing and ventilation. "When you wake up, you feel as if you're in a tree house," says Annette. Blue-blanketed bed is Scandinavian.

Compact living-dining and kitchen areas (below) borrow ceiling height from the sleeping balcony, on upper floor left, and additional floor space from the deck. Beams above deck cast shadows on the glass walls to cut sun glare.





The entrance is placed on the bedroom-balcony level so that the owners can deposit their suit-cases before going downstairs. Although the best view of the lake is from the living room and deck, the sleeping quarters look out on a refreshing closeup of trees. Bedrooms, while small, are not cramped since the entire interior is one large room. The downstairs living, dining and kitchen areas all flow into one another. Furnishings, mostly of light wood, are accented by brightly colored pillows and rugs. For floor plans and coupon for ordering blueprints of this house, see page 114.



The kitchen (at left rear, in picture above) is designed for working and serving ease. Divider counter, faced with cedar and topped by black Formica, comes in for frequent buffet use. Birch plywood, used on doors hiding floor-to-ceiling storage along the back wall, masks a refrigerator. Bentwood chairs surround a simple dining table. Scandinavian sofa and coffee table bring a light accent to the compact room.

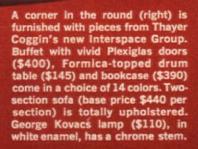


Stack tables (below) are from a collection of round furniture imported from the Netherlands by Founders Furniture. Made of polyvinyl chloride (PVC), they come in a choice of six lacquered colors. Measuring 10" high by 16" in diameter, each is priced at \$45.

This oval chair (below), tough enough for indoor-outdoor use, is molded of Cycolac (the plastic used for football helmets) with a color-impregnated finish. Simple shape makes this piece attractive, functional and easy to clean. By Broyhill Premier, it sells for \$90.







Rounded table with vinyl bumper-edge top (opposite) has a columnar base of polished chrome. The matching 26" game-height chair is barrel-shaped and vinyl-upholstered. Price for the table is \$355; the chair costs \$200. Both are made by Crossroads Manufacturing, Inc.



Twin-size bed (right), with softly rounded head and footboard, is made of molded polyurethane foam. The skin-tight cover is Iron Velvet stretch nylon. Designed by Nicol of Milan for Directional Industries, it comes with a matching pillowcase and is priced at \$320.





Young Ward Parmelee, with a boost from a friend, takes a drive around the family grounds. The house and partyroom garage, viewed from the back, overlook Spring Lake.

TOP DESIGNERS AT HOME

## SECOND-HOME ASSETS FOR A ONE-HOUSE FAMILY

By Vera D. Hahn

"Everyone but us seems to want a second home. We're strictly a one-house family, though. That's why we picked this location—we don't have to go away for a relaxed vacation atmosphere, and there's always something for the children to do here." So says international furniture designer-consultant David M. Parmelee of his remodeled house in Spring Lake, Mich.—a year-round home to David, wife Jean and youngsters Ward, 4, and Carla, 2.

"Edgar Lee Masters wrote a portion of *Spoon River Anthology* while sitting on the concrete steps that lead down to the dock where I now work. From the moment we first saw the house, Jean and I both knew it was the place for us. I had grown up in a small, cluttered house, and before we came here we had been living in one I designed that used space jealously and intensively.

"But this is a generous house. Although modern architects consider the wide halls wasteful, that's what appealed to us—the vistas through rooms and out to the trees—plus the fact that few costly alterations were needed. The changes we made were mainly cosmetic. The exterior was painted a deep gray-grown I call 'dark elephant' and we brought this color indoors, into the halls and the stairwell. Most of the rooms are as light as we could make them.

"People are constantly amazed that we manage to have such a light house with two small children. Actually, lightness and practicality aren't really so contradictory. The off-white pine floor in the living room, for instance, is an old yellow pine floor stripped down, painted white, wiped off and given a coat of liquid polyurethane to make it childproof." It really needs very little care. (continued)

Simple architectural treatment of windows and display shelves in the living room (pictured opposite) helps overcome structural irregularities. Says David (in love seat, below), "Our aim was to achieve a semblance of symmetry in a house where everything is off-center." Huge red-lacquered cabinet, at near left, was a bargain buy ("Nobody else had space for it"). The shaggy, knotted rug is practical, needs only an occasional "raking" by Jean (pouring coffee for friends, below).





In their bedroom (above), David and Jean enjoy Sunday breakfast with their youngsters. The four-poster bed was designed by Parmelee and installed by their builder. Behind it, folding doors conceal wall-to-wall storage.



Ward's room (left) is a child's delight. Beanbag "chairs" come in for plenty of roughhousing. Shutters darken the room for naps.

China display cabinet in the dining room (lower left) was originally a bookcase. Console at right was made from a brass fireplace fender. The dining table has a parquet top.

The garage (below) can be turned into a party room in minutes. Yellow sailcloth curtains and hanging plants stay up all summer long. The buffet, when not in use, folds out of the way. Ward, in foreground, samples the fare.







Plastic-domed skylights—there are two—give the porch (right) a bright look. The cushioned rattan-framed furniture and plant-laden shelves further accent the open-air mood.

#### ONE-HOUSE FAMILY continued

The Parmelee house was planned with ease of care in mind. "With our white-linen slipcovers," says Jean, "all we do is put them in the washing machine and pull them over the furniture when they're slightly damp—so no ironing. And since we have no curtains or draperies to maintain, there's no need for upkeep in that area." Adds David, "Though we're anti-clutter, Jean and I can't resist collecting—but we group our accessories compactly, in the dining-room cabinet or on the living-room display shelves." A color-compatible family, the Parmelees tend toward reds, oranges, yellows, white and black—fitting colors that crop up everywhere in this house for all seasons.

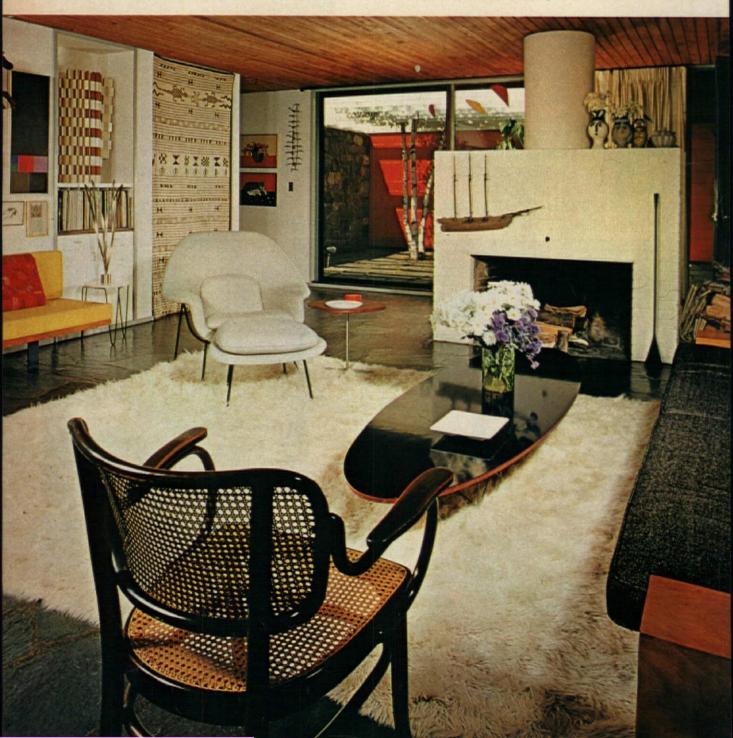


Guest room (above) serves as a TV room and study. Dark burlap walls are a stunning contrast to the wall curios.



In the living room (above), Vera, in a yellow dress of her own design, chats with a friend. The plywood sculpture, at right above sofa, is by her late husband George. Other works on the wall are also part of Vera's art collection.







In son John's room, colorful graphics of Vera-designed sheets and pillowcases make a bedspread unnecessary.

IGNERS T HOME

## EE-GENERATION COMPOU

"Hire the best architect you can afford, even if you can't really afford him at all, and you'll save money on everything." That's Vera Neumann's advice. She's the Vera of fashion-and-linen design fame, in private life the mother of two teen-agers. Home to the Neumann family is a gracious, river-view compound in Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y. "Marcel Breuer designed this perfect three-generation house for us. He provided privacy, independence and togetherness with parents' and children's wings separated and the grandparents' quarters in a pavilion-apartment close by. At first, the idea of so much window area frightened me," says Vera, "but because of the surrounding trees and terrain, we have plenty of privacy. And talk about ease of care! Our unfinished wood ceilings will never need painting."

The flat-roofed main house and connecting garage (right) overlook the Hudson River. Covered walkway in the foreground, far right, leads to the grandparents' apartment next door.

Living room's slate floor (opposite) and white birches contrasting against the red walls of the entry courtyard are Breuerisms. Vera's touch is equally strong-over the fireplace, head-shaped clay vessels survey the room. Sofa at right is a Breuer built-in. Eames and early bentwood chairs reflect Vera's modern-classic taste.



William Maris

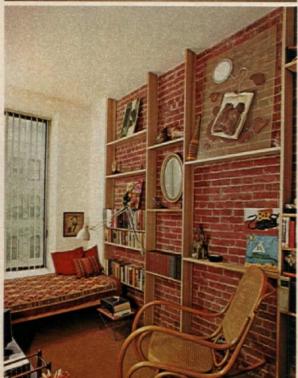
TOP DESIGNERS AT HOME

## SURPRISING CITY BROWNSTONE

Industrial designer Michael Lax has an alphabet of distinguished clients—from A (American Cyanamid) to U (U.S. Plywood-Champion Papers). He and his wife, Rosemary—a talented textile designer in her own right—and daughters Rebecca, 9, and Jennifer, 17, occupy the two top floors of their New York brownstone with Blackie, the family cat. Lax explains, "In remodeling what had been a clutter of a rooming house, I wanted to keep the proportional characteristics of the brownstone and maintain a sense of continuity from one floor to the next. But I also hoped to add some surprises—a predictable house is a bore." The Lax family now enjoys the best of old and new.







Michael, Rebecca and Rosemary Lax share a quiet family hour in their living room (above, left). Skylight above the stairwell varies ceiling height. Oak-frame furniture, designed by Lax, matches the floors. "I like what the old craftsmen did with oak," he says. "They had a very real sense of pattern and color."

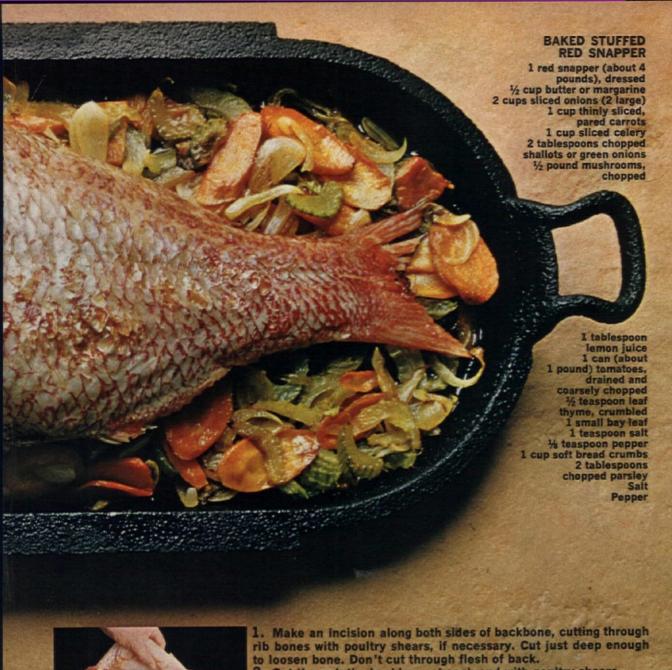
Dining-room table (above, right) is set with china that Lax designed for Iroquois. "We didn't want a solemn dining room," he points out. "The randomly hung cabinets and stacking chairs add informality."

Guest room (left), like other rooms on the lower floor, has a feeling of coziness. The brick wall, simple but attractive shelf system and vertical blinds at the windows provide a floor-to-floor continuity.

Rosemary Lax's kitchen (opposite) is a tribute to her husband's inventiveness. The custom counter and cabinetry were designed by Michael. So was the enameled cast-iron Copco cookware. Wire-handle door pulls and magnetic-closing cabinet doors typify the clean, simple efficiency of his designs. The mirrored backsplash helps to widen the narrow working space.











Cut through the backbone at each end with poultry shears.
 Pull out backbone, scraping flesh off with knife, if needed.

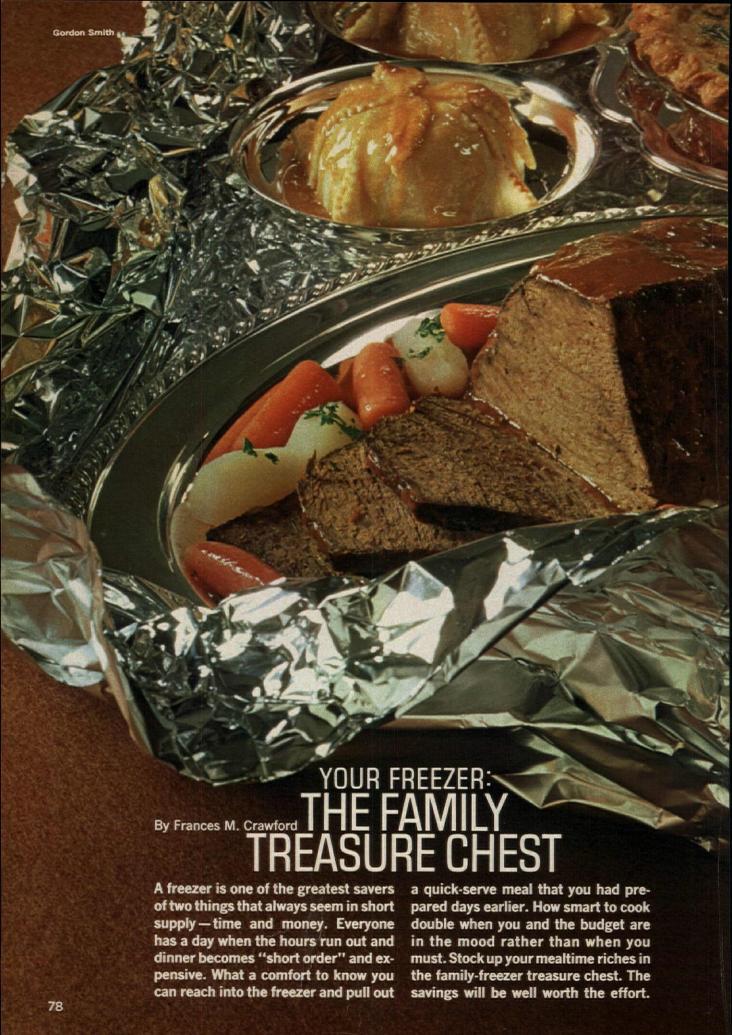
4. Heat 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in skillet over very low heat. Add sliced onion, carrots and celery. Cook 10 to 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Place in shallow baking dish. Heat 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in skillet over medium heat. Add shallots or green onions and mushrooms. Sprinkle with lemon juice. Cook 5 minutes. Add tomatoes, thyme, bay leaf, 1 teaspoon salt and ½ teaspoon pepper. Simmer 10 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in bread crumbs and parsley.

5. Heat oven to 425°. Stuff fish loosely with bread mixture. Skewer or sew closed. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place on vegetables in pan. Brush with ¼ cup melted butter or margarine. Bake 30 to 35 minutes (about 8 minutes per pound), basting often with pan juices. Serve from baking dish, spooning pan juices over fish and vegetables. Makes 6 to 8 servings.











# YOUR FREEZER continued

# CHICKEN VERONIQUE

(pictured on page 79)

2 broiler-fryers (3 pounds each), cut up Salt

Pepper

1/4 cup butter or margarine

2 cups minced onions (2 large)

2 cans (1 pound each) seedless grapes

cup dry sherry

1 cup chicken broth

2 tablespoons cornstarch

3 tablespoons sherry

Sprinkle chicken pieces with salt and pepper. Brown on all sides in butter or margarine in large skillet. Transfer chicken to heavy kettle or Dutch oven. Cook onions in fat left in skillet 3 to 4 minutes, stirring frequently. Add onions to chicken. Drain and reserve grapes. Add juice from grapes, 1 cup sherry and chicken broth to chicken. Cover; bring to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer 15 to 20 minutes. Add grapes; cook 1 minute. Remove chicken and grapes from sauce. If serving immediately, keep warm. Blend cornstarch and 3 tablespoons sherry to a smooth paste. Stir into sauce. Cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Simmer 10 minutes. Correct seasoning to taste. Strain sauce over chicken. Makes 8 servings.

To freeze: For easier serving and to make 2 meals of 4 servings each, line 2 baking dishes with heavy-duty aluminum foil, leaving enough overhang for wrapping. Divide chicken and sauce between baking dishes. Freeze. Lift foil and food out of baking dishes. Wrap. Return to freezer. To serve, unwrap frozen chicken; place in baking dish. Place in 350° oven until heated through.

# BRAISED BEEF PROVENCALE

(pictured on page 78)

3 cups dry white wine

1 cup water

2 cups sliced onions (2 large)

2 cups sliced, pared carrots

2 cloves of garlic, minced

1/2 teaspoon leaf thyme, crumbled

2 teaspoons salt

1/2 teaspoon pepper

5- to 6-pound pot roast of beef

3 tablespoons pure vegetable oil

1 can (1 pound 12 ounces) tomatoes

1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce

3 tablespoons cornstarch

3 tablespoons water

Salt

Pepper

Combine wine, 1 cup water, onions, carrots, garlic, thyme, salt and pepper. Place meat in bowl. Pour marinade over meat. Cover bowl. Refrigerate overnight. Remove meat from marinade. Dry with paper towels. Reserve marinade.

Heat oil in Dutch oven or heavy kettle. Brown meat on all sides. Discard fat left in pan. Add marinade, tomatoes and tomato sauce to pan. Cover. Bring to boiling. Simmer on surface heat or bake at 350° for 2 to 21/2 hours or until meat is tender when pierced with a two-tined fork. Remove meat from pan. Skim all fat from sauce. Blend cornstarch and 3 tablespoons water to a smooth paste. Stir into sauce. Cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Correct seasoning. Strain over meat. Makes 8 servings.

To freeze: For easier serving and to make 2 meals of 4 servings each, line 2 baking dishes with heavy-duty aluminum foil, leaving enough overhang to wrap meat. Divide meat and sauce between the two dishes. Freeze. Remove foil and food from baking dishes. Wrap. Return to freezer. To serve, unwrap meat; place in baking dish. Place in 350° oven until heated through.

# PIQUANT LAMB STEAKS

8 lamb steaks, 1/2 inch thick each Salt

Pepper

2 tablespoons butter or margarine

1 cup minced onion (1 large)

2 cloves of garlic, minced

tablespoon flour

2 cans (8 ounces each) tomato sauce

1 teaspoon dried tarragon leaves, crumbled

2 tablespoons chopped parsley

1/2 teaspoon sait

2 cups packaged bread crumbs

1/4 cup butter or margarine

Trim all fat from steaks. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in large skillet over medium heat; sauté steaks 1 minute on each side. Remove: reserve. Cook onion in fat left in skillet until soft, stirring frequently. Add garlic. Sprinkle flour over onion and garlic; stir until all fat is absorbed. Add tomato sauce, tarragon, parsley and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Bring to boiling. Simmer 10 minutes, stirring frequently. Remove from heat; cool. Coat both sides of each lamb steak with sauce. Dip steaks in bread crumbs, pressing gently so bread crumbs adhere. Chill 30 minutes. This helps keep coating on during cooking.

To serve immediately, sauté steaks in 1/4 cup butter or margarine in large skillet until lightly browned on both sides. Makes 8 servings.

To freeze: Prepare steaks with sauce and bread crumbs, then wrap in heavyduty aluminum foil; place in freezer. When ready to serve, thaw steaks at room temperature and sauté as above.

### BAKED STUFFED POTATOES

8 medium-size baking potatoes 1/2 to 3/4 cup scalded milk 1/4 cup butter or margarine 1 egg

1 cup grated Cheddar cheese 2 green onions, finely sliced (about

1/3 cup)

11/2 teaspoons salt 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Scrub potatoes; dry; pierce skins with fork. Bake at 400° for 1 hour. Cut slice from top of each potato. Scoop out potato leaving a quarter-inch thickness inside. Mash potato in medium-size bowl. Beat in enough hot milk to make potatoes smooth and fluffy; add butter or margarine: stir in remaining ingredients. Pile back into shells, mounding slightly. Serve immediately, refrigerate to use later the same day or freeze.

To use later, cover potatoes; refrigerate until 30 minutes before serving. Uncover. Heat at 350° for 30 minutes.

To freeze: Set potatoes on cookie sheet or platter. Freeze. Wrap each potato in foil and return to freezer. When ready to use, heat frozen, wrapped potatoes in 350° oven for 11/4 hours.

# HUNGARIAN GOULASH

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

2 teaspoons paprika

3 pounds lean chuck, cut in 11/2-inch cubes

3 tablespoons pure vegetable oil

11/2 cups chopped onions (3 medium)

1 clove of garlic, crushed

1 can (101/2 ounces) condensed beef bouillon

1/2 cup water

1 can (1 pound 4 ounces) tomatoes

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

1 bay leaf

11/2 teaspoons caraway seeds

1/2 cup water

1 cup (1/2 pint) dairy sour cream

Combine flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper and paprika in paper or plastic bag; add meat, a few pieces at a time. Shake to coat well. Reserve flour mixture. Brown meat in hot oil in heavy kettle or Dutch oven. Remove meat as it browns; reserve. Sauté onions and garlic in fat remaining in pan. Add meat, bouillon, 1/2 cup water, tomatoes and seasonings. Cover; simmer 2 hours, stirring occasionally. Remove bay leaf. Blend 3 tablespoons flour mixture and 1/2 cup water; stir into goulash. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened. Stir in sour cream. Heat through but do not boil. Serve or turn into freezer container and freeze. To serve, place over low heat just until heated through. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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TOMATO CHEESE SAUCE. pan, combine 1 can (1034) Campbell's Tomato Soup, cup cheese spread with loke flavor, 2 tbsp. water. at slowly until cheese melts; Serve over hamburgers toasted buns. Makes 11/2 os sauce.



YANKEE POT ROAST. In ge heavy pan, brown 3 to 4und boneless beef pot roast shortening. Pour off fat. Stir 1 can (10% oz.) Campbell's mato Soup, 1 cup chopped ion, 1 large clove garlic, nced. Cover; simmer 3 hours until tender. Stir. Skim off Thicken gravy, if desired. o 8 servings.



**HEARTY TOMATO SOUP.** In n, brown 2 thinly sliced nkfurters in 1 tbsp. butter margarine. Stir in 1 can 0¾ oz.) Campbell's Tomato up, 1 soup can water, 1/2 cup oked mixed vegetables, sh marjoram, dash pepper, at; stir. 2 to 3 servings.



SKILLET PORK CHOPS. In cillet, brown 6 pork chops bout 1½ lb.); pour off fat. ir in 1 can (10¾ oz.) Campell's Tomato Soup, 1/4 cup ater, ¼ cup chopped chut-ey. Cover; simmer 45 min. or htil tender. Stir. 4 servings.



5 HOT TOMATO-ORANGE TODDY. In pan, combine 1 can (10% oz.) Campbell's Tomato Soup, 1 cup water, ½ cup orange juice, dash ground cloves. Heat; stir. Garnish with orange slices. Also may be served cold. 2 to 3 servings.



6 SPAGHETTI SAUCE WITH BEEF. In pan, brown 1/2 lb. ground beef; stir to separate. our off fat. Stir in 1 can (1034 oz.) Campbell's Tomato Soup, 1 can (1034 oz.) Franco-American Spaghetti Sauce with Mushrooms, ¼ cup water. Simmer 10 min. Stir. Serve over spaghetti. Makes 3 cups



7 TOMATO SALAD DRESSING. Combine 1 can (10% oz.) Campbell's Tomato Soup, % cup prepared Italian-flavored salad dressing in covered container; shake well. Chill. Makes 2 cups salad dressing.



8 TOMATO TARTAR SAUCE. Combine 1 can (103/4 oz.) Campbell's Tomato Soup, 1/2 cup mayonnaise, 2 tbsp. pickle relish, 2 tsp. grated onion. Chill. Serve with cooked seafood. Also may be served hot. Makes 11/2 cups sauce.



9 TOMATO TWINS. In pan, combine 1 can (10¾ oz.) Campbell's Tomato Soup, 1 can Campbell's Bisque of Tomato Soup, 2 soup cans water. Heat; stir. 4 to 6 servings. 10 CHICKEN PAPRIKASH. In skillet, brown 2 lb. chicken parts in 2 tbsp. shortening; pour off fat. Stir in 1 can (103/4 oz.) Campbell's Tomato Soup, ½ cup sour cream, 1 cup sliced onion, 2 tsp. paprika. Cover; simmer 45 min. or until tender; stir. Serve over noodles. 4 servings.



Simmer 5 min. Stir. Makes 2 cups sauce. Use as barbecue sauce for frankfurters, ham-



12 TOMATO SOUP GARNISH. Garnish Campbell's Tomato Soup with any one of the following: sour cream and chives, packaged cereal, shredded cheese, sliced green onion, watercress, croutons, toasted slivered almonds.





# YOUR FREEZER continued

# CREAMED ZUCCHINI AND SQUASH

- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 3 cups sliced onions (3 large)
- 1 clove of garlic, minced
- 2 pounds zucchini, washed and sliced
- 2 pounds summer squash, washed and sliced
- I teaspoon dried leaf sage, crumbled
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 cup heavy cream
- Salt

### Pepper

Heat 3 tablespoons butter or margarine in large saucepan or kettle over low heat. Sauté onions until pale yellow and soft. Add garlic; cook 1 minute. Add zucchini, squash, sage, salt and pepper. Cover. Simmer 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Blend 1 tablespoon butter or margarine and flour to make buerre manie. Bring cream to boiling in small saucepan; stir in buerre manie. Reduce heat. Cook a few seconds, stirring constantly. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Pour over vegetables. Cook over low heat until heated through, stirring gently. Serve immediately or put into 1 or 2 freezer, containers and freeze. When ready to serve, reheat slowly. Makes 10 to 12 servings.

# SAUSAGE PIE

(pictured on page 79)

- 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/3 cup shortening
- 6 tablespoons cold water
- 1½ pounds sweet Italian sausages, casing removed
- 4 green peppers, seeded and diced
- ½ cup minced onion (1 medium)
- 5 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 3 cups light cream
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Sift flour and salt into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening with pastry blender until mixture resembles cornmeal. Sprinkle cold water over surface; stir with fork until all dry particles are moistened and pastry clings together. Shape into ball; divide in half. Roll out one half to a 12-inch circle on floured surface, using a light motion from center to edge. Fold pastry in half; lift into 9-inch pie plate; unfold. Fit gently into contours of plate. Repeat with second half of pastry in another pie plate. Heat oven to 450°. Cover inside of each pastry shell with wax paper; fill shell with dry rice or beans. This helps shell keep its shape during baking. Bake 10 minutes; remove rice or beans and paper; cool shells.

Heat oven to 350°. Brown sausage in

skillet over medium heat. Remove. Chop coarsely. Cook green peppers and onion in fat left in skillet over low heat until peppers are soft, stirring occasionally. Divide sausages, green peppers and onion between the two pie shells. Combine eggs, cheese, cream, and salt. Divide mixture equally between the two pie shells. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until thin-bladed knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Serve one pie, letting it stand 10 to 15 minutes before cutting.

Cool second pie completely. Wrap in heavy aluminum foil or place in freezer bag. Freeze. To serve: Unwrap; thaw at room temperature. Place in 400° oven 15 minutes or until heated through. Each pie makes 6 servings.

### SEAFOOD CASSEROLE

- 1 pound shrimp, shelled, deveined and cooked
- 1 can (7½ ounces) crab meat, drained, boned and flaked
- 1 can (5 ounces) water chestnuts, drained and sliced (optional)
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped pimiento
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 1/4 cup finely chopped green pepper 1 can (4 ounces) sliced mushrooms,
- drained 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 tablespoons butter or margaring
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup dry sherry
- 3 cups light cream
- 1 package (8 ounces) medium egg noodles, cooked and drained

Combine shrimp, crab meat, water chestnuts and pimiento in large mixing bowl. Heat 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in medium-size saucepan. Add onion, green pepper and mushrooms; sauté gently 5 minutes or until tender. Add vegetables to seafood mixture. Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in same saucepan; stir in flour and salt; cook 1 minute. Remove pan from heat; stir in sherry and cream gradually. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until sauce thickens slightly and comes to boiling. Add to vegetable-seafood mixture. Stir in noodles. Spoon into lightly buttered 21/2-quart baking dish.

To use immediately, bake at 400° for 25 minutes or until bubbly. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

To use later the same day, refrigerate until 1 hour before serving time. Let stand at room temperature 30 minutes, then bake as above.

To freeze: Wrap unbaked casserole tightly in aluminum foil or plastic wrap; freeze. To serve, thaw completely at room temperature and bake as above.

### APPLE DUMPLINGS

(pictured on page 78)

Pastry for 2-crust pie 6 medium-size baking apples, pared and cored

1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Prepare pastry; divide into 6 equal portions. Roll each portion to a 7-inch square. Place apples on center of squares. Combine brown sugar, cinnamon and butter or margarine; spoon mixture into centers of apples. Moisten edges of pastry squares. Bring pastry up and over apples; pinch to seal. To serve at once: Bake 30 to 35 minutes at 425° or until pastry is golden and apples are tender. Serve warm with bottled butterscotch sauce, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

To freeze: Place unbaked dumplings on tray; freeze. Wrap individually. Return to freezer. To serve, place unwrapped dumplings in baking dish. Bake at 350° for 1 hour.

# COFFEE CRUMB CAKE

(pictured on page 79)

1/4 cup butter or margarine

1/4 cup sugar

1/2 cup chopped pecans

3/4 cup crushed vanilla wafers

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup butter or margarine

1 cup sugar

2 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla

½ cup milk

Heat oven to 350°. Melt 1/4 cup butter or margarine. Add 1/4 cup sugar, pecans and crushed wafers. Mix well. Press mixture on bottom and side of greased 9-inch tube pan with removable bottom to within 11/2 inches from top of pan. Set aside. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together. Cream 1/2 cup butter or margarine and 1 cup sugar together until light. Add eggs and vanilla; continue to beat until well blended. Add flour mixture alternately with milk, beating at low speed and beginning and ending with flour. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake 1 hour or until cake is golden and cake tester inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Remove side of pan. Cool cake thoroughly on wire rack. Loosen cake from bottom of pan. Invert onto serving dish. To freeze: Wrap cooled cake in freezer paper, polyethylene, plastic wrap or aluminum foil. Place in freezer. Cake will retain freshness at least 3 months. To serve, thaw 1 hour at room temperature. Garnish with pecans, if desired.



# HOW TO HELP YOUR FREEZER DO ITS JOB

By Maidee Kerr Spencer

Here are a few frigid facts about safekeeping your frozen treasures.

How cold should your freezer be? A frosty 0°F. That's cold enough to keep ice cream rock-hard and slow the activity of enzymes and microorganisms which cause food spoilage. If there is no permanent thermometer in your freezer, buy a small portable one.

Your freezer may be part of your refrigerator with a separate cooling system and separate door, or a free-standing freezer, either chest-type or upright. A few families may even have walk-in freezers similar to commercial lockers.

How much to freeze at once. As a general rule, multiply the cubic-foot capacity (stated in your freezer manual) by 3: a 10-cubic-foot freezer will freeze about 30 pounds of food at once.

How to package foods for the freezer. The right wrappings and containers protect frozen foods from drying out and losing their bright color and fresh flavor and texture. There are many good wrapping materials and some may seem costly. But you save nothing when poorly packaged frozen foods come out with freezer burn—dehydrated areas with an unpalatable flavor and texture.

Basically, wrappings consist of two kinds: the essential moisture/vapor-proof types (also called "freezer weight" or "heavy duty") which keep out oxygen and keep in juices; overwraps which protect against tears in the moisture-proof wrap and press out air pockets which promote rancidity in fatty foods and freezer burn. Plain kraft paper or cheesecloth are fine for overwraps, but as they are not moisture/vapor-proof and do not resist oxygen, they should be avoided for primary wrapping. Skip waxed paper, paper bags and plain cellophane for freezing completely.

Some of the better types of moisture/ vapor-proof wraps are: 1) Freezerweight aluminum foil for meats and poultry (lighter-weight aluminum foil for baked goods, which won't dry out). Use overwraps to protect against punctures. 2) Thermoplastic films and bags like Handi-Wrap, Glad Wrap, Saran and Kordite, which are pliable, moldable and can be sealed with heat. These are moisture/vapor-proof but may need laminated paper overwraps to keep out oxygen. 3) Coated (lined) and laminated papers, which need no overwrap. Some local brands may be called just "freezer paper." Others are Paper Maid, Kordite, 20 Below and Sears wraps. 4) Double or heavy plastic bags and lined freezer bags or tubing. These need no overwraps if you press out all the air before sealing. Try Kordite or Hefty Bags.

After wrapping, seal all packages with freezer tape or tight-fitting lids. Label each with food, servings and date.

Other freezer containers: 1) Straight-sided glass jars (the ones with shoulders, however, take forever to thaw). 2) Plastic containers with tight lids, especially the colorful new ones from Rubbermaid with wide tops for easy filling and emptying. Republic Molding's Freezette containers come in dozens of shapes and sizes—all in semi-



translucent white. 3) Bake-and-freeze glass ceramic cookware from Corning, which can go directly from the freezer to the oven. 4) Corning's Pyrex ovenproof dishes. These are also good freezer containers and can be taken from the freezer and placed in a preheated oven. To avoid tying up baking dishes, line them with foil. Leave enough overhang so that the food can be wrapped completely. When it is frozen solid, remove the block of foil-wrapped food and store it without the dish. 5) Coated paperboard containers with permanent or removable glassine liners. 6) Stainlesssteel or aluminum containers. 7) Aluminum-foil containers. 8) Clean coffee cans with lids.

Packaging meat and poultry: Do not freeze meat in the supermarket tray-and-cellophane package. Rewrap it in coated or laminated paper. There are two accepted ways to wrap meats: the butcher's wrap and the druggist's wrap.

The butcher's wrap, for large, oddshaped cuts, is double. Place meat diagonally on laminated paper that is twice the length of the meat. Fold one corner over top of meat. Fold opposite corners into center, pulling tight and pressing out air. Roll meat toward other corner, pulling tightly. Seal and label.

The druggist's wrap, for flat cuts, takes a square of freezer wrap three times as wide as the meat. Put the meat in the center. Pull top edges of the paper together, folding seam over twice. Draw wrap tightly to the meat. Fold in end flaps. Seal and label.

Put meat packages on fast-freeze shelves, in fast-freeze compartment or against the freezing coils until frozen solid (18-24 hours). Do not stack unfrozen packages on frozen ones or on each other. Leave an inch of air space between unfrozen packages. Once they are frozen, move them to normal storage areas of the freezer.

Packaging fruits and vegetables. Consult your freezer manual for preparing garden fruits and vegetables for freezing. You must scald the vegetables and pack most fruits in sugar or syrup to stop enzyme activity.

Packaging cooked dishes: Pour hot foods in freezer containers, leaving one inch of headroom. Plunge the containers in cold water to cool the food fast.

Cover, seal and label the containers. Place them on the fast-freeze shelves or against the coils of the freezer until frozen solid. Then move the food to the freezer's normal storage area.

Freezing Cooked and Prepared Food. Prepared foods should be frozen quickly since microorganisms do the least damage at very low temperatures.

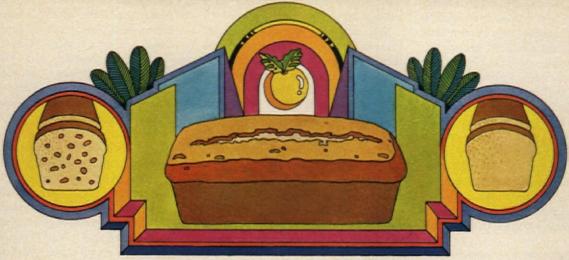
And because you will be reheating cooked food, undercook it the first time.

Do not freeze the following items because freezing affects their texture and/ or their flavor: mayonnaise, custard and cream sauces, corn on the cob, broiled and quickly cooked meats, fried foods, raw whole eggs and the whites of hard-cooked eggs, sliced bacon, cottage cheese and cream cheese, gelatin dishes, raw salad vegetables, cooked potatoes and rice, salt, black pepper, onions, cloves and synthetic vanilla.

Never stuff poultry before freezing because the 0° temperature will not reach the stuffing before the bacteria have multiplied. Commercially frozen stuffed poultry is safe as it has been frozen at -30° and all bacterial action is slowed down. (continued on page 89)



# THE ABC'S OF TEA BREADS



Delicate quick breads baked as loaves have long been known as "tea breads." They are naturals for tea but are also perfect with salads and make great sandwich snacks.

The batter for tea breads is similar to that of muffins and is made either by the muffin method (adding the liquid to the dry ingredients all at once) or by the cake method (beating the shortening, sugar and eggs together before adding the other ingredients). Do not be alarmed if, during baking, a crack appears in the top crust-it's to be expected. Tea breads, unlike other quick breads, should be cooled completely for easy slicing.

# APRICOT-NUT BREAD

### Flour

- 1 cup dried apricots 1/2 cup chopped, blanched
- almonds
- 11/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon grated orange rind
- 2 tablespoons melted shortening
- 1. Heat oven to 375°.
- 2. Grease bottom and sides of 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Sprinkle pan lightly with flour. Shake pan to coat it all over with flour. Turn pan upside down and tap it to remove excess flour.



3. Cut up apricots with a scissors or French knife until they are in small pieces. Measure them to be sure you have 1 cup.

4. Combine apricots, almonds and 1/2 cup flour. Toss until the fruit and nuts are well coated with flour. This is done to keep the fruit and nuts dispersed through the batter during baking and to prevent them from sinking to the bottom.

5. Sift 1 cup flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and sugar into mixing bowl.

6. Beat egg in small bowl. Stir in milk, orange rind and shortening. 7. Stir orange mixture into flour

mixture. Blend well. 8. Add apricot-nut mixture. Mix well.

9. Turn into loaf pan.

10. Bake 50 minutes or until cake tester or thin skewer inserted in center comes out clean.

11. Remove from oven. Cool in pan for 15 minutes.

12. Remove loaf from pan. Set on wire rack. Cool completely.

13. Wrap in aluminum foil or transparent plastic wrap. Let stand overnight at room temperature to mellow flavor.

### BANANA BREAD

# Flour

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour 23/4 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

3/4 cup sugar

1/2 cup shortening

2 eggs

2 to 3 medium-size, fully ripe bananas

1. Heat oven to 350°.

2. Grease bottom and sides of 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Sprinkle pan lightly with flour. Shake pan to coat it. Turn the pan upside down and tap it to remove excess flour. 3. Sift 2 cups flour, baking powder and salt onto a piece of wax paper.

4. Put sugar, shortening and eggs into mixing bowl. Beat until very light and fluffy.

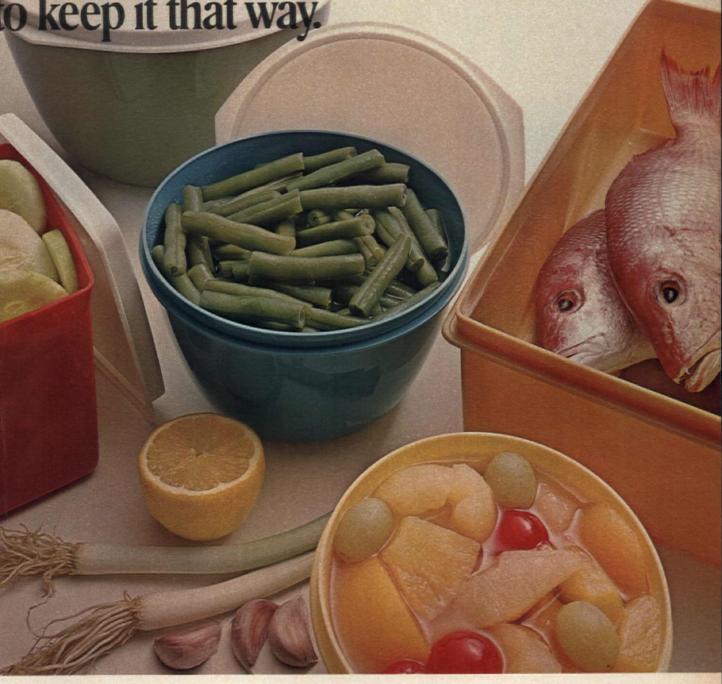


5. Mash bananas. This is always done just before the bananas are to be used to keep them from turning dark. It can be done in a blender or sliced bananas can be beaten in a bowl with a fork, rotary beater or electric mixer. Measure. You should have 1 cup.



- 6. Stir about a quarter of the sifted dry ingredients into the egg mixture. Blend well. Stir in onethird of the bananas. Repeat twice. Stir in last of the flour mixture.
- 7. Turn batter into loaf pan.
- 8. Bake 60 to 70 minutes or until cake tester or thin skewer inserted in center comes out clean.
- 9. Let loaf cool in pan 15 minutes.
- 10. Remove loaf from pan. Set on wire rack. Cool completely.
- 11. Wrap loaf in aluminum foil or transparent plastic wrap. Store overnight at room temperature to mellow flavor.

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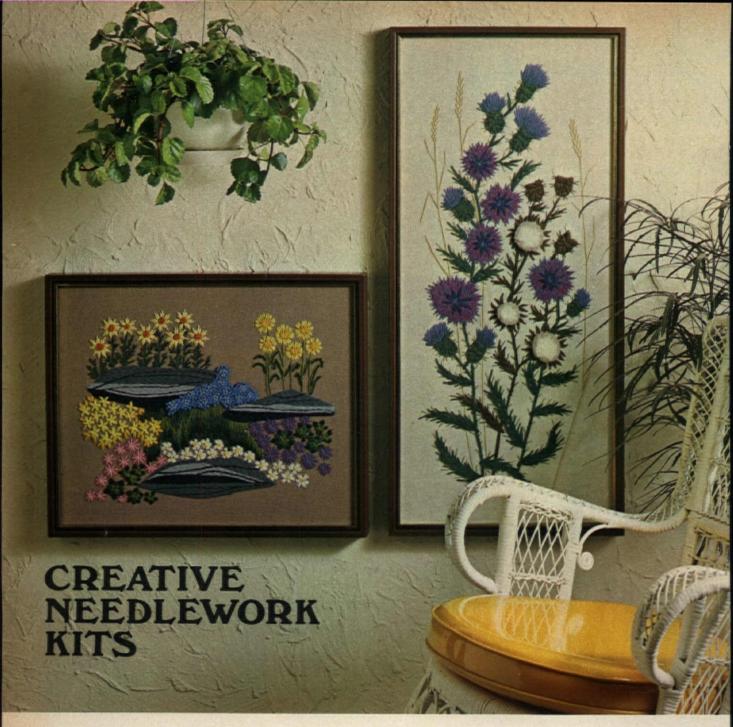


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By Dorothy Lambert Brightbill

You don't have to be a Scotsman to like thistles. Here are some extra-special ones to embroider. The lovely seed-puffs (above, right) have a dimensional quality like the real thing. The wool embroidery has been sheared so that it looks and even feels like thistledown—only this won't blow away and the "thorns" won't prick. The size is a magnificent 16" x 36".

The rock garden (above, left) has a serene quality all its own. Prim little blossoms rear straight up behind the striated gray rocks. Overall size is 18" x 22". Both embroideries are designed by Barbara Sparre.

The handsome fruitwood-finished frames have an inner edge of gold to highlight the colors of the embroideries.

To order these kits, use the coupon at right.

# YOUR FREEZER continued from page 85

Cooking frozen foods: Defrost raw meats and poultry slowly in the refrigerator before cooking. Otherwise the outside will thaw too quickly and the bacteria will flourish while the inside is still frozen. Defrosting most meats takes six hours per pound. Leave meats in freezer wraps to preserve the juices.

When cooking frozen meats and poultry from the frozen state, whether roasting, broiling or on top of the range, be sure to allow additional time.

You need not thaw frozen vegetables, fruits and prepared foods before cooking. Cookies and cupcakes defrost in 15

to 20 minutes at room temperature and are ready to eat. After thawing unbaked pie shells for 15 minutes, bake them according to your recipe directions. Bread, rolls and one-layer cakes take an hour to thaw; angel, sponge and two-layer cakes take two hours; whole pies take six.

When the freezer doesn't work, ask yourself some questions: Are the rest of your appliances working? Is the freezer switch on? Is the plug in firmly? Have you tested the outlet with a lamp?

If you are sure the electricity is off, call the power company and ask how long they think you will be without power. If you keep the freezer door shut, the food will stay frozen for two to three days. For longer stretches, get small blocks of dry ice and arrange them around the food. Buy 25 pounds of dry ice for every 10 cubic-foot capacity of your freezer. The ice will extend storage for three to four more days. Then start cooking the food and give away what you cannot consume in a short time.

The word on refreezing is don't—unless you cook the thawed food first or are refreezing dry baked goods like bread, rolls and cakes. If red meat has been out of the freezer long enough to be cold, but soft, cook it before you freeze it again.

If partially thawed raw meat is hard and still shows ice crystals, refreeze it. Though the quality will be lowered, the meat will be safe to eat as long as it does not smell. Cook partially thawed hamburger, variety meats (hearts, brains, kidneys, etc.) and sausages before refreezing. Do not take a chance on fish, prepared foods and pies. Be sure to use all refrozen

foods within two to three weeks.

Freezer care: Food in your freezer should be turned over three to four times a year. Pick a time to defrost when the food stock is low. First weed out any odds and ends. Remove remaining foods from the freezer. Pack them in newspaper-lined cartons and cover the cartons with blankets. Unplug the freezer. Scrape the frost with a rubber scraper. Place pans of hot water inside and leave the door open. Remove frost as it loosens and wipe condensation from the walls.

How long should you freeze food? Your aim in freezing is to insure that your foods keep the same appetizing color, flavor and texture. Some foods will retain these qualities for a whole year at 0°, but if the temperature is raised just 5° those same foods will keep only five months. Raise it 20° and they will keep just a week or two.

More specific storage-time charts are available in Cornell University's Extension Bulletin 1179, Handbook for Freezing Foods, by Doremus and Klippstein. For a copy, send 50¢ to: Dept. A. H. Mailing Room, New York State College of Human Ecology, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850. END



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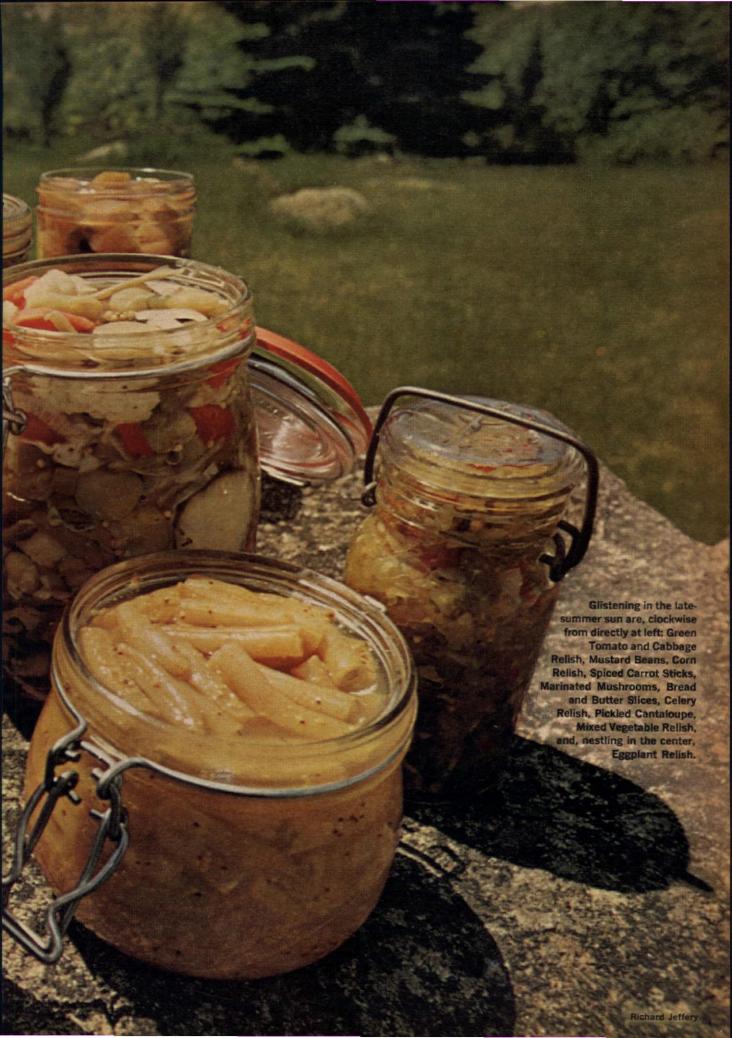


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### SPICED CARROT STICKS

11/2 cups cider vinegar

1 cup sugar

1 tablespoon pickling spices

1 tablespoon salt

1-inch piece of stick cinnamon

2 bunches (1 pound each) carrots, pared, quartered lengthwise and cut into 4-inch-long sticks

Combine cider vinegar, sugar, pickling spices, salt and stick cinnamon in large saucepan. Bring to boiling; boil 5 minutes. Add carrots. Cook 10 minutes or until barely tender. Pack carrots in sterilized jar(s).\* Pour boiling hot liquid into jar(s). Seal. Allow to stand 2 weeks before serving to mellow and blend flavor. Makes 1 quart (2 pints).

### CELERY RELISH

1 quart diced celery (about 1 bunch) 1 green pepper, seeded and chopped 1 red pepper, seeded and chopped 1½ cups chopped onions (3 medium)

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1 cup sugar

1 cup white vinegar

1 tablespoon salt

11/2 tablespoons mustard seed

1/4 teaspoon turmeric

Combine celery and peppers in large saucepan. Cover with water. Bring to boiling; remove from heat; let stand 10 minutes. Drain thoroughly. Add remaining ingredients. Bring to boiling; reduce heat; simmer 5 to 7 minutes or until celery is just tender. Pack into sterilized jar(s).\* Seal. Makes 1 quart (2 pints).

# GREEN TOMATO AND CABBAGE RELISH

3 cups chopped, seeded green tomatoes (about 1½ pounds or 4 tomatoes)

3 cups chopped cabbage (1/2 head)

1 cup chopped onion (1 large)

1 green pepper, seeded and chopped 1 red pepper, seeded and chopped

3 tablespoons salt

1 cup sugar

1 teaspoon mustard seed

1/2 teaspoon celery seed

½ teaspoon turmeric

1 cup cider vinegar

1/2 cup water

Combine vegetables in large bowl Sprinkle with salt and toss. Cover; let stand overnight. Drain. Combine vegetables and remaining ingredients in large

saucepan. Heat to boiling. Simmer 5 minutes. Pack into sterilized jar.\* Seal. Makes 1 quart.

### CORN RELISH

1 large cucumber, unpared and coarsely chopped

1½ cups chopped onions (3 medium)

3 cups kernel corn, frozen, canned or cut from the cob

2 stalks celery, sliced 1/4 inch thick

2 tomatoes, chopped

1 red pepper, seeded and chopped

1 green pepper, seeded and chopped

1 cup cider vinegar

½ cup water

½ cup sugar

11/2 teaspoons salt

11/2 teaspoons mustard seed

1/2 teaspoon pepper

1/2 teaspoon turmeric

Combine all ingredients in large saucepan. Bring to boiling; simmer 15 minutes uncovered. Pack into sterilized jar(s).\* Seal. Makes 1 quart (2 pints).

# MARINATED MUSHROOMS

2 pounds button mushrooms

1/4 cup lemon juice

1 tablespoon minced parsley

2 tablespoons minced onion

2 tablespoons chopped pimiento

1 clove of garlic, minced

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon oregano

1/8 teaspoon pepper

1/2 teaspoon sugar

1/4 cup water

1/4 cup olive oil

1/2 cup cider vinegar

Wipe any dirt from mushrooms with a damp cloth. Trim stems. Place mushrooms in large saucepan. Cover with water. Add lemon juice. Bring to boiling; simmer 1 minute; drain. Combine mushrooms with remaining ingredients. Pack into sterilized jar(s).\* Seal. Store in refrigerator. Drain before serving. Makes 3 half-pints.

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# The PEOPLE PLEASERS FROM NABISCO



When you want to please all the people

# LATE-SUMMER HARVEST continued from page 92

## EGGPLANT RELISH

2 medium-size eggplant, unpared, cut in cubes
3 tablespoons salt
1/3 cup olive oil
1 cup chopped onion (1 large)
1 clove of garlic, minced
1 can (1 pound) tomato puree
1/2 cup diced celery
1/2 cup sliced stuffed olives
1/4 cup chopped parsley
1/4 cup cider vinegar
1 tablespoon sugar
1/4 teaspoon pepper

Place eggplant in bowl; sprinkle with salt. Set aside for 2 hours. Drain. Sauté half the eggplant in 2 tablespoons olive oil. Remove eggplant from skillet with slotted spoon. Drain on paper towels. Sauté remaining eggplant in 2 tablespoons olive oil. Drain. Add remaining oil to skillet. Sauté onion and garlic over medium heat 3 minutes. Add eggplant

and remaining ingredients. Cover. Simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Pack hot mixture into sterilized jars.\* Seal. Allow to cool to room temperature. Store in refrigerator. Makes 5 half-pints.

# MUSTARD BEANS

These are delicious served cold with baked ham.

1½ cups sugar
¾ cup cider vinegar
¼ cup prepared mustard
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon celery seed
¼ teaspoon turmeric
2 cans (1 pound each) wax beans, well drained

Combine all ingredients except beans in medium-size saucepan. Bring to boiling. Add beans. Simmer 5 minutes. Pack beans into sterilized jar.\* Pour boiling hot liquid into jar. Makes 1 pint.

# BREAD AND BUTTER SLICES

12 medium-size, firm zucchini
1 large onion, thinly sliced
1/4 cup salt
2 cups cider vinegar
1 cup sugar
11/2 teaspoons turmeric
11/2 teaspoons mustard seed
1 teaspoon celery seed

Scrub zucchini well with vegetable brush. Slice zucchini about ½ inch thick. Combine zucchini, onion and salt in large bowl. Cover; allow to stand at room temperature overnight. Drain. Combine zucchini with remaining ingredients in large saucepan. Bring to boiling. Cover; simmer 15 minutes. Pack zucchini into sterilized jars.\* Pour boiling hot liquid into jars. Seal. Makes 3 pints.

# MIXED VEGETABLE RELISH

This is a tasty relish to make at the end of the summer when all the garden vegetables are at their peak.

2 cups shredded cabbage

2 cups sliced celery

2 green tomatoes, seeded and chopped (about 2 cups)

1 cucumber, thinly sliced

1 red pepper, seeded and chopped

1 green pepper, seeded and chopped

1 medium-size onion, thinly sliced

2 cups cooked lima beans

2 cups cooked cauliflower flowerets

(1 small head)

2 cups cooked green beans 1 cup sliced carrots, cooked until tender

3 cups cider vinegar

2 cups water

1 cup sugar

2 tablespoons mustard seed

1 tablespoon celery seed

1 tablespoon salt

Combine cabbage, celery, tomatoes, cucumber, red pepper, green pepper, and onion in large kettle. Cover with salt water (¼ cup salt per quart of water); let stand 12 hours or overnight. Drain. Combine with remaining ingredients. Bring to boiling; boil 10 minutes. Pack into sterilized jars.\* Seal. Makes 2 quarts (4 pints).

# PICKLED CANTALOUPE

2 medium-size cantaloupes

1 quart water

1/4 cup salt

1 cup cider vinegar

2 cups sugar

1 cup water

6 whole cloves

6 whole allspice

3-inch piece of stick cinnamon

3 thin, unpeeled lemon slices

Select firm cantaloupes. Cut in quarters; remove seeds and all but ½ inch of the fruit from the rind. Pare away the rough outer rind with a vegetable peeler, removing all traces of green from continued



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# LATE-SUMMER HARVEST continued

the melon. Cut melon in ¾-inch cubes. Combine cantaloupe cubes, 1 quart water and salt. Soak 12 hours or overnight. Drain; rinse well.

Combine vinegar, sugar, 1 cup water, cloves, allspice and cinnamon in large kettle. Boil 20 minutes or until a thick syrup forms. Add lemon and drained cantaloupe. Simmer 25 minutes or until cantaloupe is tender and translucent. Spoon cantaloupe into sterilized jar(s).\* Pour boiling hot liquid into jar(s). Seal. Makes 1 quart (2 pints).

\*TO STERILIZE JARS: Discard jars with nicks, cracks and sharp edges. Wash jars and lids in hot, soapy water. Rinse. Put on rack in large kettle. Cover with water. Bring to boiling; boil 10 minutes. Turn off heat. When ready to fill, remove from hot water with tongs. Invert on paper towels to drain. Jars should be hot and dry when filled.

Pictured on pages 90-91 are antique canning jars, the readily available Ball and Kerr jars and French wide-mouthed jars from Bonniers, 605 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022.

# FOOD QUESTIONS YOU ASK

QUESTION: Can you please tell me what Nesselrode sauce is, and where I may purchase it?

> Dorothy Park Madison, Wis.

ANSWER: Nesselrode sauce is made of chestnuts, candied fruits and flavorings, and is available in most any store that sells specialty food items. The most common use is as a dessert sauce or as an ingredient in Nesselrode pie.

QUESTION: What is freeze drying? We bought a jar of freeze-dried chives, and I am curious as to how they were made.

K. Roberts Kewaskum, Wis.

ANSWER: Freeze drying is a new method of food preservation in which only the water is removed from foods while they are frozen. The water, as ice, leaves the product as a very fine vapor that does not alter the cell structure, color, flavor or nutritional value of the food. When you replace the water, the product returns to its original form.

QUESTION: What is the life of a bottle of table wine?

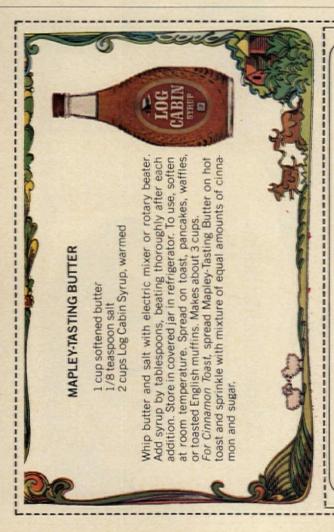
D. Newberry Hastings, Neb.

ANSWER: Unopened, most red wines can be kept up to 8 to 10 years. Most white wines will keep 6 to 8 years. There is much variance depending upon type, year and origin. Once opened, wine should be kept no more than two or three days.

QUESTION: How do blueberries and huckleberries differ?

> Mrs. F. S. Frank Arlington, Mass.

ANSWER: In many parts of the country the two terms are used interchangeably. However, sometimes the term "blueberry" refers to cultivated berries while "huckleberry" refers to wild berries. Direct any questions you have about food, food products and food preparation to: Questions You Ask, Food Department, American Home Magazine, 641 Lexington Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022



CHOCOLATE PEANUT CHIPS

cup brown sugar, firmly packed

package (6 ounces) semi-sweet

cup unsalted peanuts

chocolate pieces

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking soda 1 cup butter or margarine 1 cup cream-style peanut butter 1 cup granulated sugar

Heat oven to 325°. Sift flour and baking soda together. Cream butter or margarine and peanut butter together until blended. Add sugars gradually, creaming thoroughly after each addition. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add sifted dry ingredients; mix well. Stir in chocolate pieces and peanuts. Chill dough. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls, about 2 inches apart, onto lightly greased cookie sheets. Flatten each cookie slightly with back of spoon. Bake 10 to 12 minutes. Transfer to wire racks. Cool. Makes about 6 dozen.



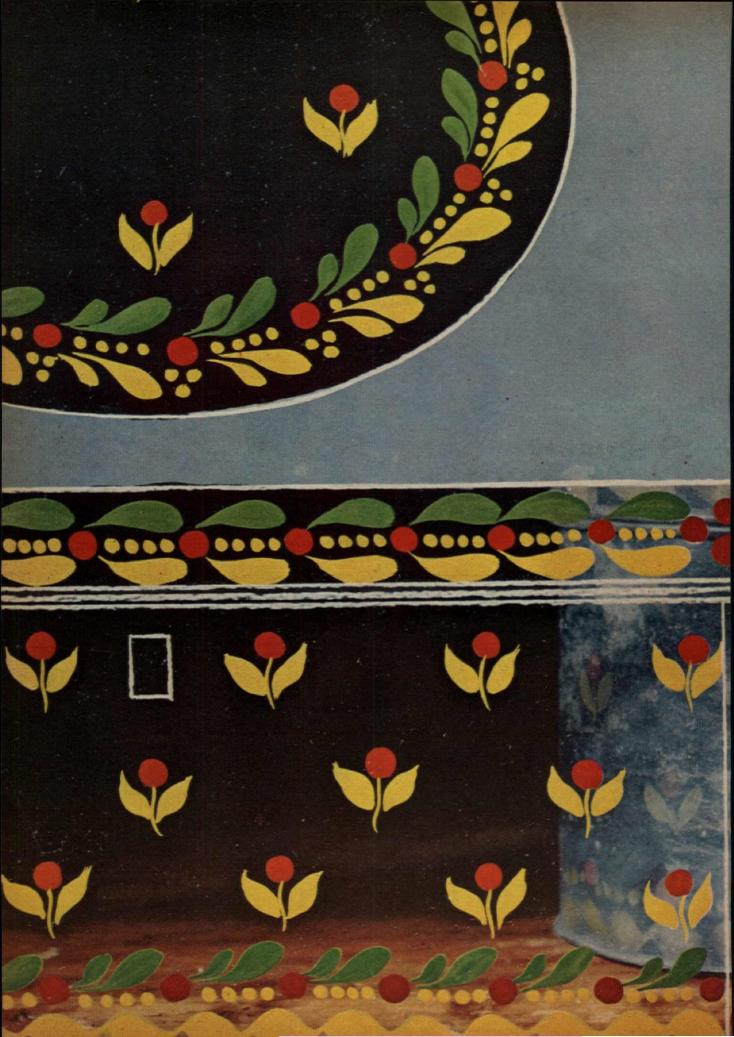
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By Mary Evans

Tin, a household standby years ago, is an obliging metal. When painted, it acquires with age the subtle luster of damask. In the early 19th century, American tinkers worked everyday articles into masterful shapes which were skillfully painted by women and then sold in shops or carried by adventurous peddlers over routes sometimes a thousand miles long. Tin-making was largely a tight-knit business, with each major family and region developing its own style, creating its own patterns. Households in the Northeast relied on this "poor man's silver," and it was often used in ingenious ways. Many fine pieces have survived. Some of the best, shown on these pages, belong to collections from Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Maine and Pennsylvania. Others are modern creations, painted by a dedicated group of craftswomen who practice and preserve this folk art of the past.

# PAINTED COUNTRY TINWARE

The fading pattern of an antique oval box has been captured and carefully copied on clear plastic. The box, part of a collection at Old Sturbridge Village in Sturbridge, Mass., was exhibited earlier this year at the Museum of American Folk Art in New York.

continued

Richard Meek

# A simple but versatile metal, tin answered the household needs of an earlier day.

A Pennsylvania coffeepot, New York document box and delicately crafted saffron box (right) gleam in the Old Tappan, N.J., kitchen of Mrs. Joseph B. Watts, a member of the Historical Society of Early American Decoration. Stenciled wall design is from an American Home pattern of years ago.

Deed box (far right) is thought to be by Ann or Minerva Butler of the New York "tin family" who flourished in the 1820's.







A pierced-tin food safe (left), housing creations from New York, Connecticut, Maine, and Pennsylvania, displays a collection of wares from the 19th-century: a tiny candle shield, document boxes, tea caddy, crystallized tray, spout cans, peddler's horn, sander, apple tray, coffeepot and jug.

Tinware's popularity among 18th- and 19th-century homeowners is understandable. It was less expensive than brass or copper, it was considerably lighter in weight than the iron pots then in use and it could stand direct heat, which pewter of that day could not. The making of tinware was also a relatively easy process which, in its earliest days, required only simple tools. By the 19th century, tinware—artfully shaped and decorated—had taken a firm hold. So much was being produced, in fact, that in one town alone—Berlin, Conn.—such vast quantities of tin scraps were buried under a local street that horses driven downhill struck chiming sounds from the earth. All sorts of useful and whimsical things were made from this simple metal: coffeepots, teapots and mailboxes; syrup jugs and coin banks; nursing bottles and boxes of various sizes for storing epaulets, deeds or documents. All were decorated with flowers or delicate berries, painted by hand in rich oils that gleamed with a colorful primitive vigor. An exuberant art form born from the creative talents of both men and women, tinware brought lasting beauty and delight to many a 19th-century home. (continued)

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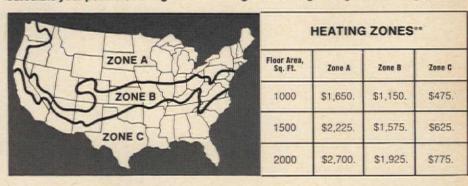
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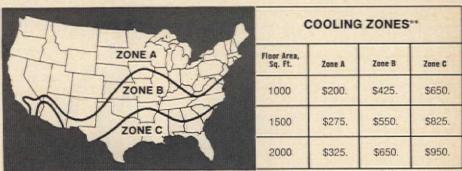
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# PAINTED COUNTRY TINWARE continued

Tin is a marvelous metal to work with. It is inexpensive and extremely malleable. It can be pounded and bent, punched and pierced. It is lightweight and it lasts. A good craftsman can make it into a variety of useful things. And it can be painted in delightfully decorative ways.

Painted tinware, an art still practiced by the Historical Society of Early American Decoration, was a 19th-century innovation. Earlier pieces were unembellished, for tin in its natural state had a charm all its own. Shem Drowne, America's first tinsmith, produced many of these pieces. He started work in Boston in 1720 and in the 30 years following turned out everything from pudding pans and chandeliers to a custom-built parrot cage and the grasshopper weathervane on Boston's Fanueil Hall. Although tinware was sold in shops, a good part of it was carried about by peddlers, who might have been landless sons of farmers or schoolmasters making extra money during the summer. The poorest peddlers walked with their wares; others were seen using the public stagecoaches in western Massachusetts. There were even fleets of smartly turned-out carts, carefully compartmented stores on wheels. Because of the severe winters and spring rains and mud, peddlers were not usually able to set off on their routes through the Northeast until May, when they swarmed the roads "as thick as

Peddlers were a hardy, dedicated bunch. Donald Glasgow, who plied his trade through Massachusetts, once reflected: "I wouldn't be happy away from the cart. The old horse has ave grown old and so has Donald; my e'en are fair worn out, and the hills are steep to climb; but we are going on yet, please God, the cart and I."

toads after a spring rain."

These Yankee salesmen brought not only bright new wares but news of a wider world and perhaps a charming skill on the fiddle. They exchanged their pots and pans for money and also used them for barter, sometimes giving clothespins in return as small change. The legends that have grown around these adventurous men

are legion. One named Cling Clang, who traversed Maine and Nova Scotia, is said to have bounded in six-foot leaps, vaulting his way with brass-tipped poles.

Peddlers meant spring, and hope, so it was appropriate that much of the tinware was decorated with flowers that would herald the season and provide a warmth that would see a household through many a long, cold winter.

Tin-making seems to have been a craft that everyone took part in. Men did the shaping, pounding the metals on wooden molds or using simple, efficient tools to cut or crimp. Women did the painting-either

as members of the household or as talented artisans, recruited up and down the countryside. The "tin families" of Connecticut liked especially to make decorative patterns by punching and piercing and to paint splashy designs on red of flowers and birds. Sometimes they crystallized trays with acid.

The work of the Filley family of Simsbury, Conn., is difficult to classify but seems to have featured white borders carefully patterned over with fruits and flowers. Like other Maine tinkers, the Stevens family of Stevens Plains near Portland made their document boxes with flat tops instead of domes and painted their backgrounds in white or yellow. Sally

> Stevens, the mother, was so fond of painting roses on tin that she kept a box of oils in her living room, enabling her to take up her brush at a moment's notice.

Women seem to have been almost fanatical in their devotion to tinmaking, and the most intense of all were the Butler girls of eastern New York State. Their father,

> Aaron Butler, was a shrewd entrepreneur who built a big house on Brandy Hill in Greenville, where he soon had as many as 40 people working for him in what amounted to an almost self-supporting village. He ran a farm, hay press, cider mill, brandy distillery, general store and a tin shop. Into this commodious household were born 11 children, including three girls-Ann, Minerva and Marilla-who became known throughout the Northeast for the charm and delicacy of their tinware painting. Ann, the oldest, was the most absorbed in the craft. She even helped her father with business

matters, traveling with him on trips to New York City. Perhaps to show she literally had her heart in her work, she often signed her pieces with a heart made of dotted lines with her initials inside. Ann, like the other Butler girls, painted a "dust magnet" every spot with finely drawn patterns of roses or tulips, as

if she could not bear to leave an inch of tin neglected.

Painted tinware is a triumph of folk art. It was turned out by the ton, made often by techniques half resembling mass production, with many hands helping to make each piece. Of the thousands of coffeepots made, no two were ever quite alike. Hum-

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# THE BURGLARS WILL GET YOU... IF YOU DON'T WATCH OUT By Jack Galub

Crime and burglary prevention have become as conversationally commonplace as taxes and pollution. And with good reason, judging from the zooming rate which has hit even communities heretofore considered safe. In eight years, robberies in American homes have doubled. As a result, lock and alarm manufacturers are riding a sales boom. And such terms as Doppler effect, ultrasonic waves and perimeter defense have been transplanted from the Pentagon to the cocktail party.

The alarm systems now being developed and installed in thousands of homes across the country make lavish use of techniques developed by the Armed Forces to detect enemy aircraft. The devices used range from relatively simple do-it-yourself units that shriek an alarm when a door is forced open to highly sophisticated radar-type, infrared-ray photoelectric and ultrasonic systems and even closed-circuit TV.

Systems vary in cost depending on the size of your home and grounds and the number of windows and doors that should be protected. The most expensive include perimeter-defense coverage to detect an intruder as soon as he sets foot on your property. Once he is picked up by your system, an alarm panel in your home will light up, bells will ring, floodlights will flash on—or a silent alarm will summon the police or a private protection agency.

If this DEW line (a term for our military's Distant Early Warning installations) is unduly complex—and for most people it will be—your system can be limited to cover your house only and, if you wish, pinpointed sensitive areas. These systems use well camouflaged or hidden lasers, infrared rays or photoelectric devices to detect anything moving. Or they may use area-protection devices that fill rooms with high-energy rays and sense "ripples" caused by an intruder. You can also use equally sensitive devices to scan the floor in front of a prized painting, display or wall safe.

Once the intruder is spotted, the choice is yours: Your system can be programmed to frighten him away with lights, horns or bells or silently send a call for help. These alerts are often sent by automatic phone dialers that play prerecorded messages asking for help. Some of these phone dialers can be programmed to send taped alarms to as

many as five different numbers: the police, a protection agency, your office, a friend or attorney.

How you program the sending of your alarm will often be determined by local ordinances. The Redondo Beach, Calif., police department, for instance, now insists that dial alarms must be programmed to reach a private number at police headquarters. Similarly, other communities may permit special apparatus to be set up at police headquarters for continual monitoring.

No matter how expensive your system, its efficiency depends on the proper installation. If the job is badly done, the alarm will be either easily jammed or false-alarm prone. Poorly installed equipment has been triggered by a cat jumping on a table, by the rumble of passing trucks and even by sudden gusts of wind. Once your system gets a reputation for crying wolf too often, the police and even paid protection agencies may take a bit longer responding.

The manufacturers who make do-ityourself devices usually market relatively unsophisticated equipment. The electronic systems are sold through dealers who, if they know what they are doing, will set up a protection net that will meet your needs and your budget. For the manufacturers of alarm detection and dialing equipment, see page 112.

# BACKING UP YOUR SYSTEM

Even the most sophisticated system can be bypassed if the intruder is familiar with it, so it is smart to take simple but effective steps to make forcible entry both time-consuming and difficult. The longer a burglar takes to break in, the greater the risk he runs of being spotted.

These steps are particularly important if you have a minimal system or are trying to do without for the time being. First, check your front and back doors and ground-floor windows. Until recently, security ranked low on the list of many architects' concerns. As a result, doors were designed for attractiveness not protection. They were weakly structured, panes of glass were used lavishly, locks were chosen for appearance not efficiency. Often hinges were mounted on the outside, exposing them to attack.

If your doors are flimsy or have outside hinges, they should be replaced. But glass panels can be protected by decorative iron grilles or gates mounted with one-way screws. Leave the decorative lock if you wish, but install a second lock on both front and rear doors.

The second lock should be a pin-tumbler type of a solid deadbolt—that slab of metal that juts out or slams down when you lock the door. A good pin-tumbler lock is more difficult to pick than the wafer-tumbler lock, although it's a bit more expensive. The vertical-action deadbolts usually are more difficult to jimmy than the rest, so other than batter the door down or drill through the lock itself, a burglar has to know how to pick the lock you have. A list of widely available locks appears on page 112.

While most keys are easily copied in any shop, some of the newer and more expensive locks use keys that are virtually impossible to copy and are available at only a few selected stores in an area, often where the original lock buyer is known. A stranger will usually find it difficult to get a key copied in one of these shops. Also on the market are combination locks, which eliminate the necessity for keys. Some make it possible for you to change the combination without having to call in a locksmith.

Cellar doors and windows are open to attack. If you use a padlock on your cellar door, replace it with a sturdy deadbolt lock. Cellar windows can be protected with a heavy mesh or grille or with locks. Some window locks have built-in alarms that go off if the window is pried open.

If you are building a home, consider specifying crank-operated basement windows. They are almost impossible to open from the outside. And don't depend on those swivel latches used to lock most double-hung windows. Add key-operated window locks.

# PROTECTING YOUR APARTMENT

There are many apartment houses in which tenants have four and five locks on their doors. Some of these buildings are so wide open that tenants organize patrols and hire private guards to patrol the corridors. Doormen and lobby men do not provide complete security. Burglars have posed as delivery men, repairmen, poll-takers and even as friends of the family to get past the lobby.

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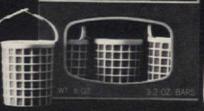
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# **BURGLARS** continued

much-needed protection, the crime-prevention industry is flooding the market with a wide range of devices.

For the windows, there are new decorative grilles or gates that will effectively bar entry from a fire escape or adjacent roof. If you decide to use one, make certain it has a quick-release device—you may have to use the fire escape some day. If you feel a grille is too much, there are key-operated window locks that are effective, although they do not prevent the cutting out of a large pane through which a burglar can squeeze. In using these locks, however, you can bug your windows for further protection with electric tape that's connected to an alarm.

All apartment doors should have wide-angle peepholes mounted in them as well as door chains. The chain allows you to open the door without the danger of having a stranger force his way in. The peephole lets you look out on the entire hallway.

The standard door lock should be supplemented by a good pin tumbler. In general, the more you pay for a second lock the better it usually is. Buy yours at a licensed locksmith store, where you'll find a wide selection to choose from. You won't go wrong by selecting a lock with a small keyhole and an unusually shaped key. The smaller the keyhole the more difficult the lock is to pick and the unusually shaped key will be hard to copy.

If you have a terrace that can be reached from the outside, you should insure that the door is intruder-proof. The most effective lock is one with the keyhole and bolt inside the apartment.

A panic button installed alongside your door is excellent protection. Pushing the button sets off a siren or gong outside your apartment to call for help. And if you're away from your apartment, there are floor mats you can install inside the door that do the same.

One of the most effective of all protection devices is a strong-voiced dog who will bark loudly and continuously if somebody tries to break in. Not only will the noise deter a burglar but so will his uncertainty of what's ahead should he finally get in.

# BUILD BURGLARY-PREVENTION HABITS

As important as the installation of mechanical and electronic devices is the developing of good burglary-prevention habits. Here are some suggestions:

· Double-lock all doors when you go

out, even if only for a moment. There are door-tryers who roam residential areas and apartment houses in search of unlocked doors.

- If you move into a new apartment or house, or lose your purse with your keys in it, have the tumblers on your locks changed immediately.
- Leave a light on in an interior hallway or room at night so passersby will see the glow and assume that someone is home. An automatic timer that can be set to turn your house lights on and off during certain hours is also a handy gadget. This device is inexpensive and will help keep intruders away.
- Turn on your radio when you go out. But avoid the unfortunate experience of one tape-recorder hobbyist. He let his recorder play party noises continuously while he was away on weekends. Eventually the apartment was burglarized and the tape recorder taken along with other valuables. The tape was left behind. Again, if you'll be gone for an extended period of time, an automatic timer that regulates the playing time of the radio is your best bet.
- If you go off on a winter vacation, have the walks and driveways shoveled if it snows while you are gone. Stop newspapers, mail and other deliveries.
- Ask your police department to check your house while you're away. If you live in the city, ask your neighbors and superintendent to keep an eye on your apartment and to report any unusual noises to the police.
- Discuss vacation dates only in the privacy of your home or among friends, never in restaurants and buses or with strangers.
- Don't send an announcement of a planned trip to the local newspaper.
   Send a note when you return.
- Before you allow a stranger into your home, ask for his identification. If you doubt his credentials, have packages left at the door and pick them up after he has left. If you live in an apartment and the stranger says he is a repairman, call the superintendent for verification.
- It may sound cruel, but it is wiser to keep stranded motorists outside while you call the police or a garage for them.
- If you are a woman living alone, have either an unlisted phone number or use only your initials in the telephone book and lobby. Many burglars specialize in apartments where women live alone.

Most important of all, once you have taken reasonable precautions to protect yourself, relax. The odds are now in your favor. (continued)



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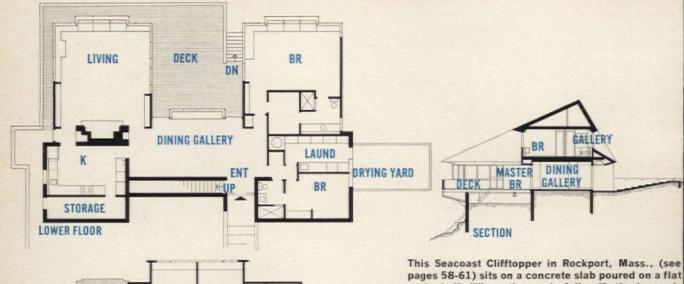
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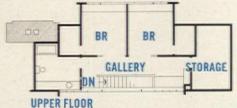


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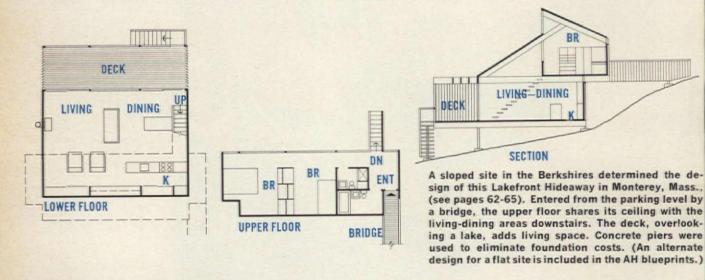


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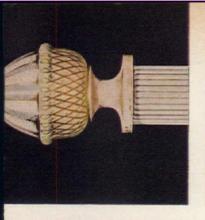
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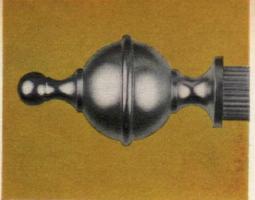
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# WHAT DOES IT MEAN WHEN THE RECIPE SAYS—

Terms appear in recipes and many times it is taken for granted that the cook—beginner or otherwise—knows exactly what to do. To help you in your kitchen, here are some food terms you should know:

Baste: To moisten food by spooning fat, liquid or sauce over it while it cooks.

Batter: A mixture of flour, liquid and other ingredients for cakes, fritters, pancakes and coatings for food. The proportion of ingredients determines whether it is thin, medium or thick. Beat: To mix with a vigorous, steady motion. It can be done by hand or with a rotary or electric mixer or a blender.

Blanch: To dip quickly into boiling water. This is done with nuts and fruits to loosen the skin for easy removal. It is also a step in the preparation of vegetables for freezing.

Blend: To mix gently with a stirring rather than beating motion. Also, to mix slowly in a blender.

Boil: To cook food in liquid that has reached 212°—that is, when bubbles

rise to the surface constantly an 1 break. A rapid boil means the bubbles are vigorous and rolling; a medium boil has gentle bubbles; and in a slow boil, or simmer, the liquid moves gently with occasional small bubbles.

Braise: To brown meat or other food on both sides in fat and then to add a small amount of liquid and cook, while tightly covered, over low heat.

Bread: To coat food in fine, dry bread or cracker crumbs. The food is often dipped in a beaten egg first to help the crumbs stick to the surface.

Chop: To cut into relatively small, equal-size pieces.

Coat: To cover with a thin film of flour, sugar, batter, crumbs or crushed nuts.

Cream: To work one or more foods, such as fat and sugar, until soft and creamy, using a wooden spoon or mixer.

Cube: To cut into ½-inch, equal-size pieces.

Cut in: To combine fat or shortening and flour with a pastry blender or two knives.

Dice: To cut into small, 1/4-inch cubes.

Dot: To scatter small pieces of butter or margarine over the surface of food.

Dredge: To cover food with flour or a seasoned mixture, but more heavily than the term "coat" implies.

Fold: To combine a delicate mixture with a heavier one, using a gentle up-and-over motion with a spatula or rubber scraper, until ingredients are blended.

Fry: To cook in fat or oil until golden and crisp.

Julienne: To cut into very thin, matchlike pieces.

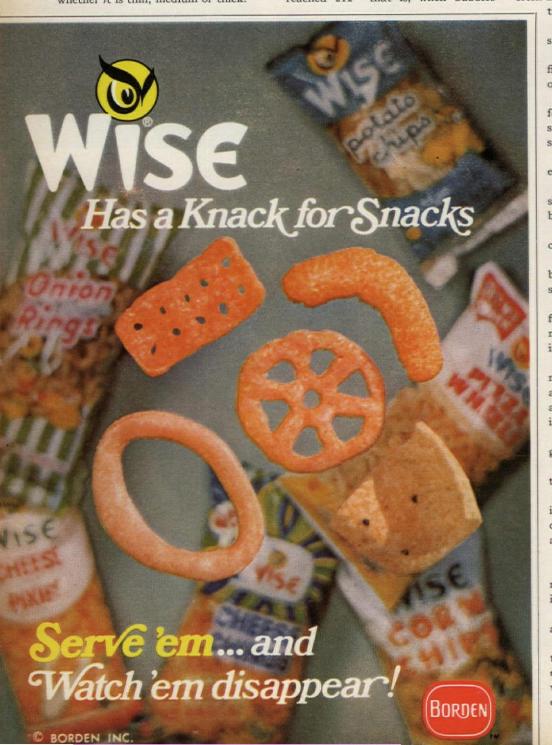
Marinate: To let foods stand in seasoned liquid before cooking or serving. The liquid (marinade) adds flavor or tenderizes the food.

Mince: To chop very fine.

Poach: To cook food submerged in liquid that is simmering gently.

Sauté: To cook in a very small amount of fat in a skillet.

Scald: To heat liquid only until tiny bubbles appear around the edge. Also, to plunge fruit or vegetables in boiling water to facilitate removal of the skin. END





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# MEET DESIGNER BROOKS STEVENS

Remember when peanut-butter jars were so narrow you couldn't scrape the last dabs from the bottom? Thanks to one man's ingenuity, wide-mouth jars are commonplace today. In fact, Brooks Stevens-inventor, designer, sportscar racer-has turned his practical thoughts to hundreds of things you take for granted every day, from the glass window in your washing machine to the nonslip aspirin bottle.

All Stevens's ideas seem of the "Why didn't they do that long ago?" kind. Some years ago he rattled the Mirro Aluminum Company's annual meeting by prophesying that the cookware of tomorrow would be in vivid blues, yellows, reds and greens, and that pots would be oval instead of round to handle odd-shaped meats. To simplify storage, a set of cookware would come with only one handle which would attach to each vessel magnetically.

Stevens senses what the public wants and needs. He thinks about the ways a woman uses things, what improvements would help her and how she would like things to look. He will not dictate to her what is "good design" or "good taste" as he feels his standards and way of life are probably quite different from hers. Stevens, whose work has taken him all over the world, now makes his home in Fox Point, Wisc., a Milwaukee suburb.

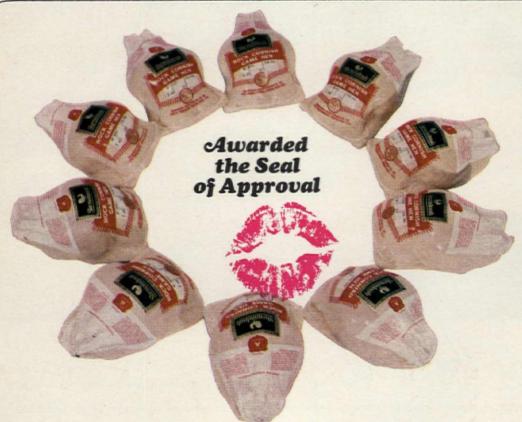
"The kitchen is the housewife's office and should be planned for her flexible needs as well as for her comfort and convenience," he said recently. His answer is a modular kitchen. In one such concept he envisions freezers in a drawer arrangement. Each drawer would freeze a different type of food: vegetables, meats, ice cream, pastries. Better vet, sections of each drawer could be removed and carried to the market for refilling. The drawers would hold more food and take up less space in the kitchen than conventional freezers. They could be stacked anywhere and drawers could be added as needed for more freezer space. Two manufacturers are now working on producing just such freezer drawers.

Another Stevens modular idea is a lightweight mobile range about the size of a tea-cart top. He sees it used for cooking then serving hot breakfast in bed, or set on a portable cart to roll anywhere, indocrs or out.

Stevens's talents also stretch to developing new materials. Fiberboard, pressed from bits of paper and shavings, and laminated with a 3M plastic in a variety of patterns, colors, or grain can become paneling or cabinets or even furniture. Another great unexplored material, Stevens feels, is tin. When discarded, its advantage over aluminum is that it rusts back to earth.

Stevens also designs lawn mowers and tractors in which the safety factor is paramount. The only completely safe lawn mower, of course, would not cut a blade of grass. But, owing to Stevens's designs, foot guards can protect toes and screens can keep sticks and stones from being hurled like bullets at playing children.

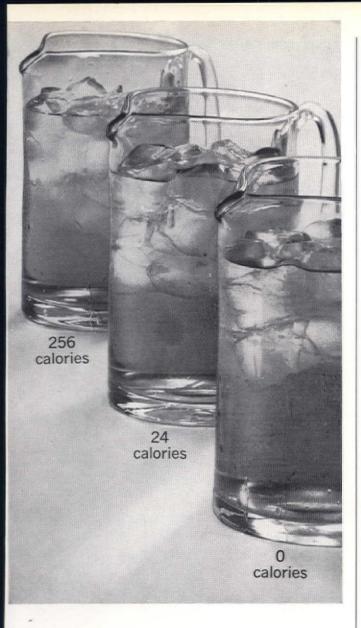
Stevens views his design concepts as vitamins for both industry and the economy. Judging by past performances, -Maidee Kerr Spencer his vitamins are pretty potent.



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Bargain hunting in the meat department is a game we all play to win these days. We look for good eating and good nutrition at low cost. Everyone knows chicken tastes good and is one of the best food buys. But few shoppers know it has a protein content no other meat exceeds and few equal, that it is low in fat and, compared with other meats, ranks lowest in calories.

Your selection of packaged chicken in the supermarket is almost unlimited. Did you know there are some 30 different ways you can find it packaged? In addition to the whole ones, chickens come halved, quartered, and in parts—thighs, drumsticks, thighs and drumsticks, wings and breasts. Then there are some strange-sounding birds, like the three-legged pack and the double-breasted pack. So many variations can become confusing when you are trying to figure out which will give you the most for your money.

The prepackaged parts have become favorites with many because they permit a woman to buy just the pieces her family likes best. Though the parts do give a higher yield of edible meat per pound than the whole chicken, they usually cost more. So, whether it is wiser to spend the extra pennies for the parts or take the extra time to cut up a whole chicken—that is the question.

To help you decide how to spend your precious pennies, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, through its Agricultural Research Service, has formulated the following table, comparing the cost per pound of whole, ready-to-cook broiler-fryers with chicken parts that provide equal amounts of edible meat.

If the price (in cents) per pound,		Chicken parts are an equally good buy if the price (in cents) per pound is			
whole, is	Breast half	Drumstick and thigh	Drumstick	Thigh	Wing
27	38	35	33	36	21
29	41	37	36	39	23
31	44	40	38	41	25
33	47	42	41	44	26
35	49	45	43	47	28
37	52	47	46	49	29
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47	66	60	58	63	37
49	69	63	60	65	39
51	72	65	63	68	41
53	75	68	65	71	42
55	78	71	68	73	44

If, on a particular day, you find that the price of the whole chicken will give you the better buy, be a wise shopper. Buy the whole bird and plan to simmer or stew the less-meaty parts, like the backs, wing tips and giblets. Freeze the broth to be used at another time for soups, casseroles, curries or any of the many dishes whose flavor can be enhanced with the addition of chicken broth.

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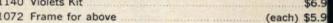


### STITCH YOUR FAVORITE FLOWERS

If a poll were taken, forget-me-nots, daisies and violets would be at the top of the list of favorite flowers. These are cheerful, colorful and, best of all, easy to do. The creative stitchery, designed for us, with simple stitch charts and color guides are an amateur's delight; the distinctive design won't be beneath the more accomplished needlewoman. The flowers are stamped on off-white cotton homespun, size 12 inches by 30 inches. Kits include wool yarn for the embroidery. Make one or both to brighten a hall, dining, breakfast

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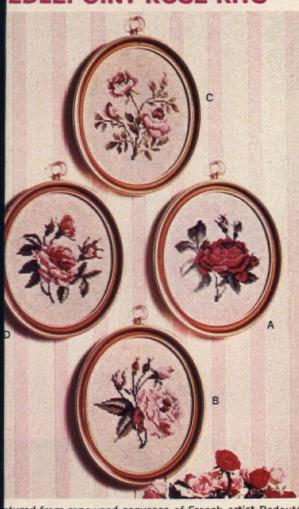
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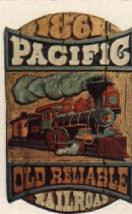
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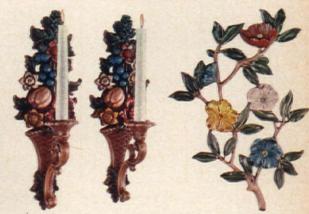
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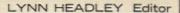
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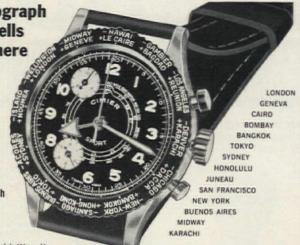
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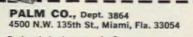
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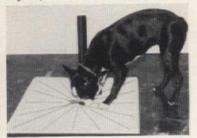
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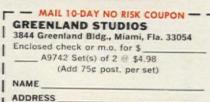
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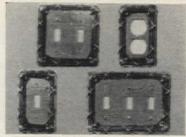
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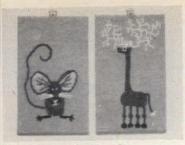
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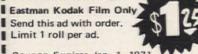
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# DEAR AMERICAN HOME

### CALIFORNIA BRAVOS

Here I sit, suffering from New Jersey's summer heat and humidity and along comes the postman and deposits your July "Idea-Packed California Issue" in my mailbox. Only a week has passed since I returned from a California vacation and I wish I was still there. How well the July issue captures the West Coast spirit—at least what I observed through a visitor's roseate vision.

Being an Easterner born and bred, I was skeptical about the California way of life, suspicious that it was overplayed and idealized, and I realize that, as a visitor, one sees the good things. The cleanliness, the abundance of flowers everywhere, and the delicious, fresh fruit are what I miss most. Thank you for bringing California back to my New Jersey home.

Mrs. William Montgomery Little Silver, N.J.

Your July issue, featuring the young life in California, was particularly welcome and a fitting one to mark the magazine's first July issue after many years of combined July/August numbers. It contained just the right blend of luscious interiors and the real-life people who fill them. Too many home furnishings/interior design magazines zero in on just the glamorous room, forgetting that interesting people live there, too.

Charles Barton Dixon, Ill.

My first issue of your magazine coincides with my first "letter to the editor." I no sooner finished reading "Pablum in Paradise" by Rasa Gustaitis in your July issue than I had the immediate urge to tell you how marvelous it is to read a review of this nature done so well. No slick banal chatter, but observations on a real level depicting genuine interest. I felt as though she had really been there, not merely read the developers' material. The quality of this article is so rare in present-day publications. I promise to keep buying AH if you promise to keep up the good work.

> Mrs. Gayle Woods Denver, Colo.

### THE GREENBRIER

Thank you for your May article, "Great Homes Away from Home: The Greenbrier," and for showing one of West Virginia's beautiful spots. Many people picture the state as all poverty and coal mines. We enjoyed the article very much, although it made us homesick for those West Virginia hills.

Mrs. Harley Burton Oakland, Calif.

### THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STORY

Concerning Stanley Schuler's June article, "Why Can't You Get Anything Fixed Anymore," let me state my side of the story. I am in the masonry-repair business. A homeowner wants his chimney repaired, I go out and make an estimate of the work required. I estimate that it will take one man three hours to do the work. The job will require about a half-hour to reach. This comes to a total of 3½ hours. Now, as for the cost:

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Earl E. White, F. E. White & Sons Indianapolis, Ind.

### ECOLOGISTS' LAMENTS

I am a housewife, a mother, a student and a writer who is deeply concerned about pollution of our environment. I read your magazine regularly, and though I enjoy it I am disturbed by the lack of any mention of the pollution problem. The paradise which your magazine describes will become a hell if we don't act. AH should be concerned with saving the environment as well as beautifying it.

Anne Rice Berkeley, Calif. My husband and I derive a greateal of pleasure and inspiration from your magazine. However, we would be interested in seeing more information on the ways city and country dwellers can stop the pollution of our world.

Nancy Winter Philadelphia, Pa

AH has prepared a leaflet dealing with the environmental and ecological problems facing us all. "The Endangered Earth: 24 Insignificant Ways to Cause a Significant Change" was first offered our readers in the July issue and is still available free of charge. We also plan to deal with the subject in future issues.

The overpopulation of our planet is the most critical threat we are faced with today. The big family should be discouraged. Young Americans are being urged to have no more than two children. Your May issue, with the article "Remodel to Live as You Like," was really a disappointment for such a progressive magazine. You featured a family with four children and one on the way, and another family with three children. AH should stop glamorizing the large family.

Mrs. R.W. Stelz Metairie, La.

### DECORATING DEVOTEE

Your June article, "Summer Spruce-Up for \$200," was fascinating. I'm studying it for decorating ideas compatible with a very limited budget.

> Dianne Cannon Eureka, Kan.

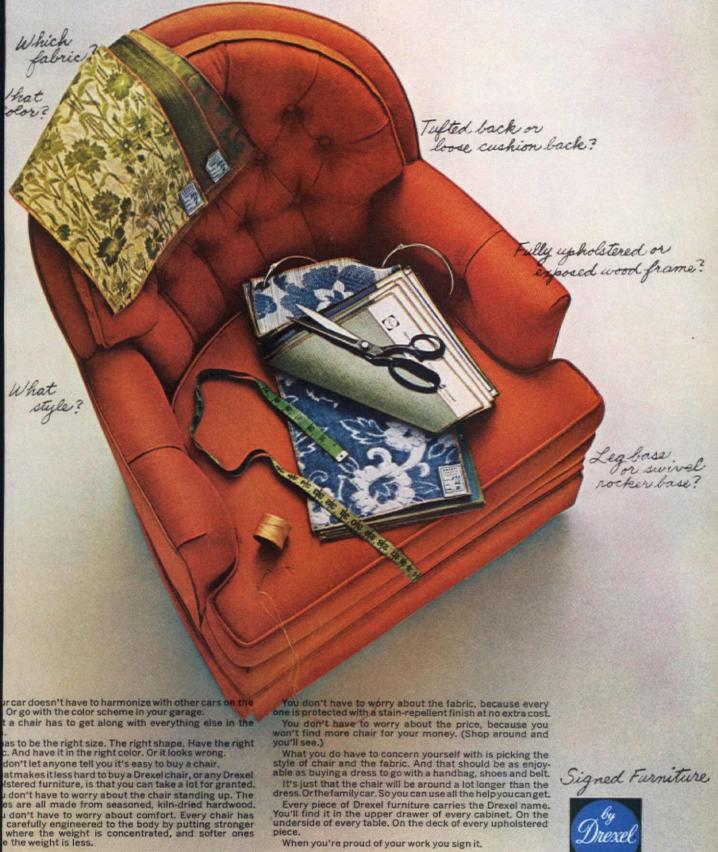
### SOLACE AND THE SINGLE MAN

I realize that the female population has us men outnumbered, but there are a lot of us who watch your magazine in a never-ending search for ideas. Could you sneak in a few thoughts for bachelor pads?

> Joseph Maiden Philadelphia, Pa.

What are design, decorating and cooking ideas for the goose are often ideas for the gander. Keep watching and see.

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