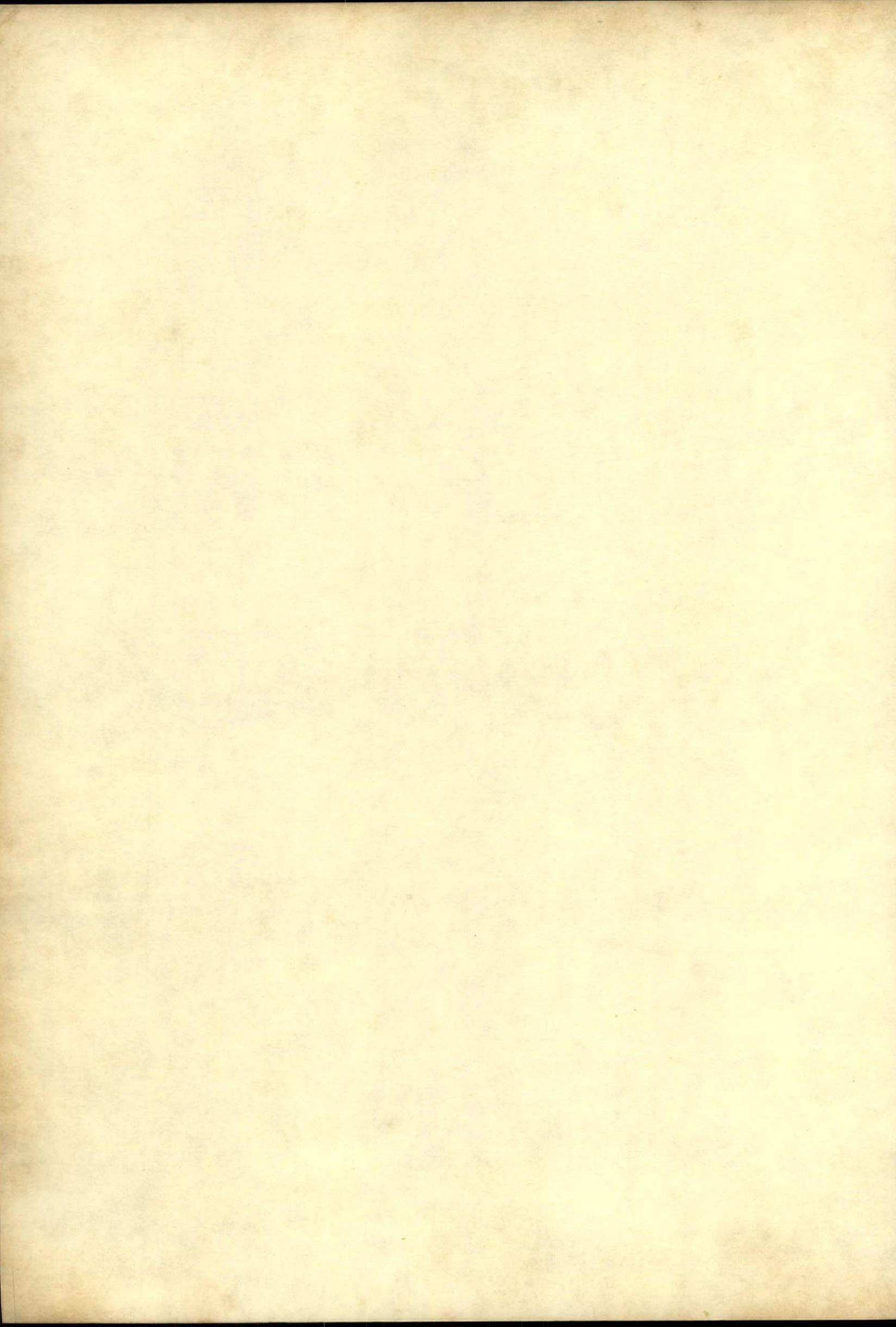


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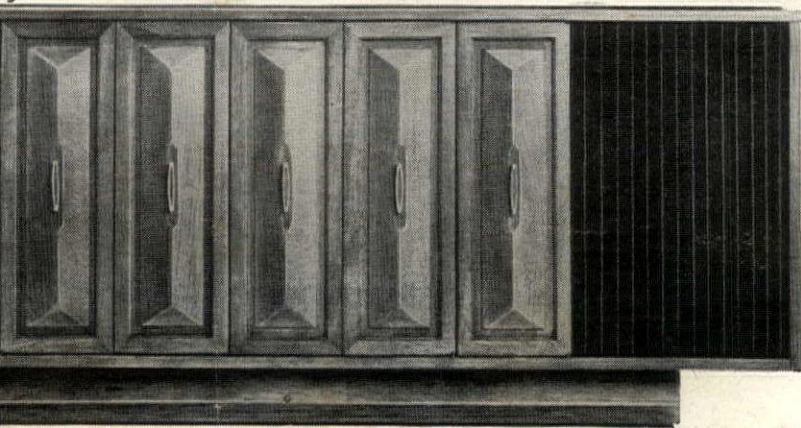
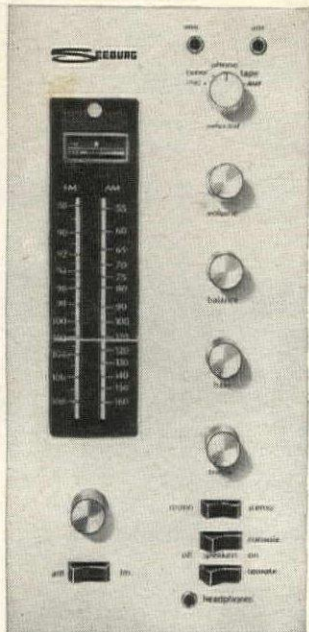
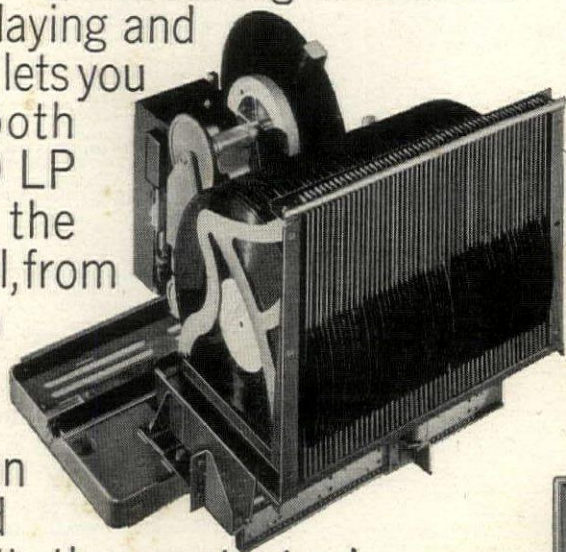
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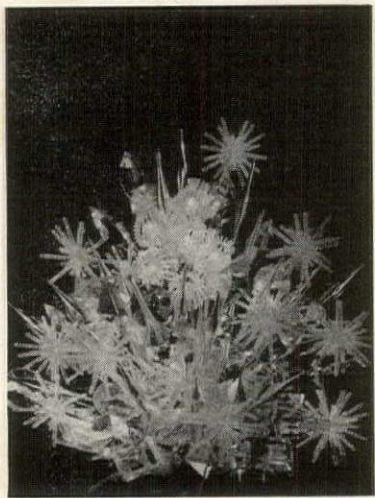
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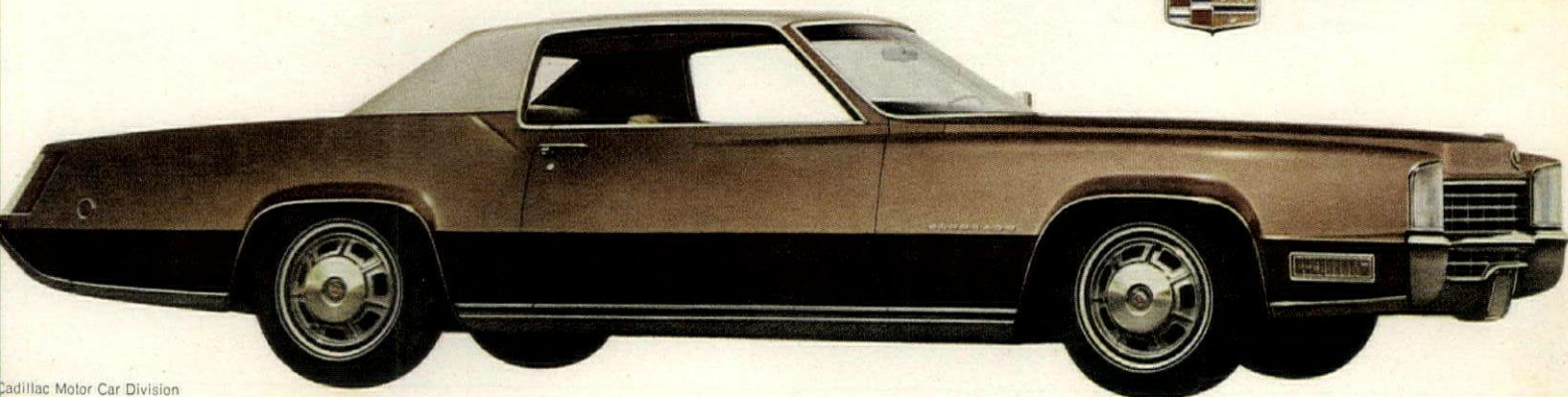
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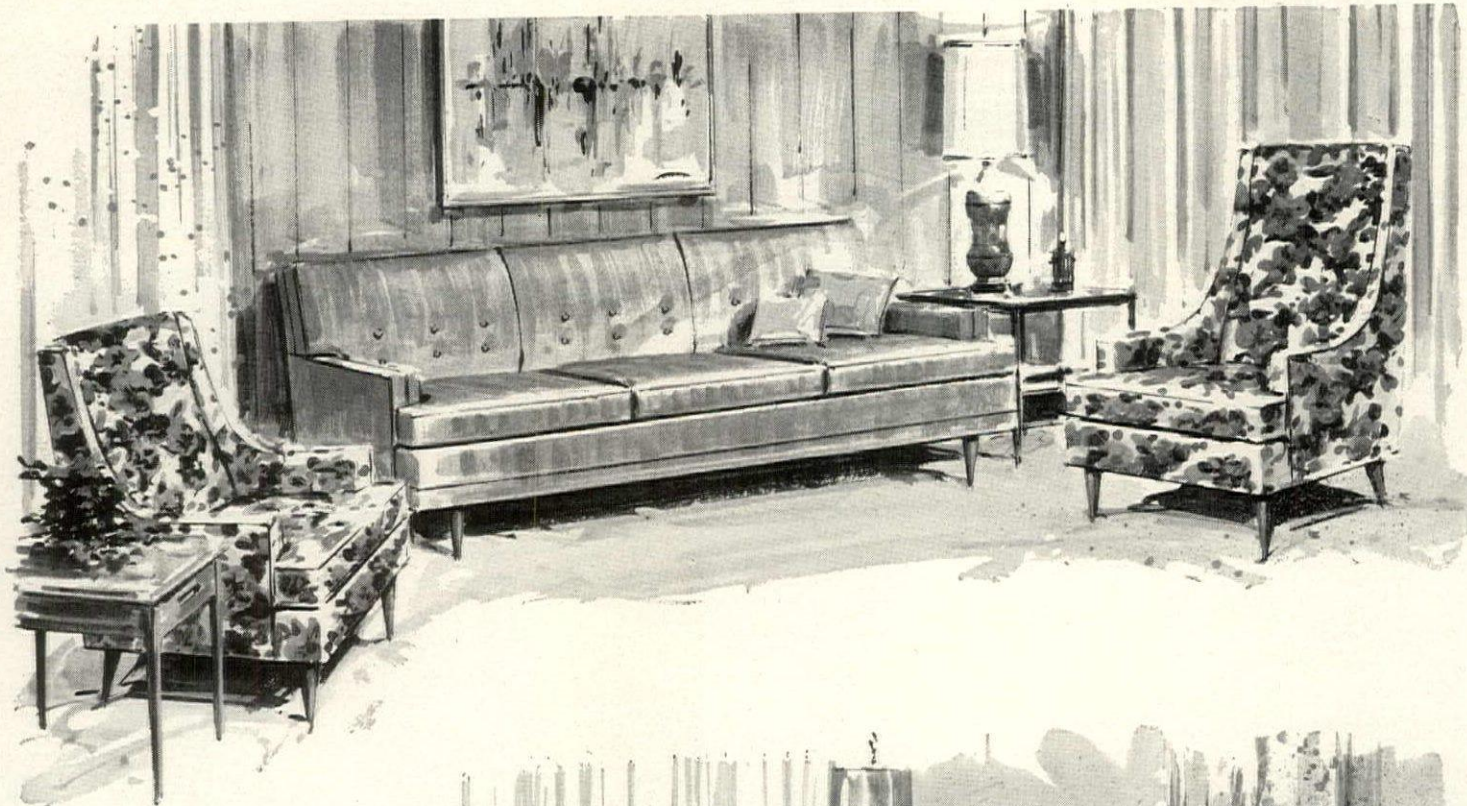
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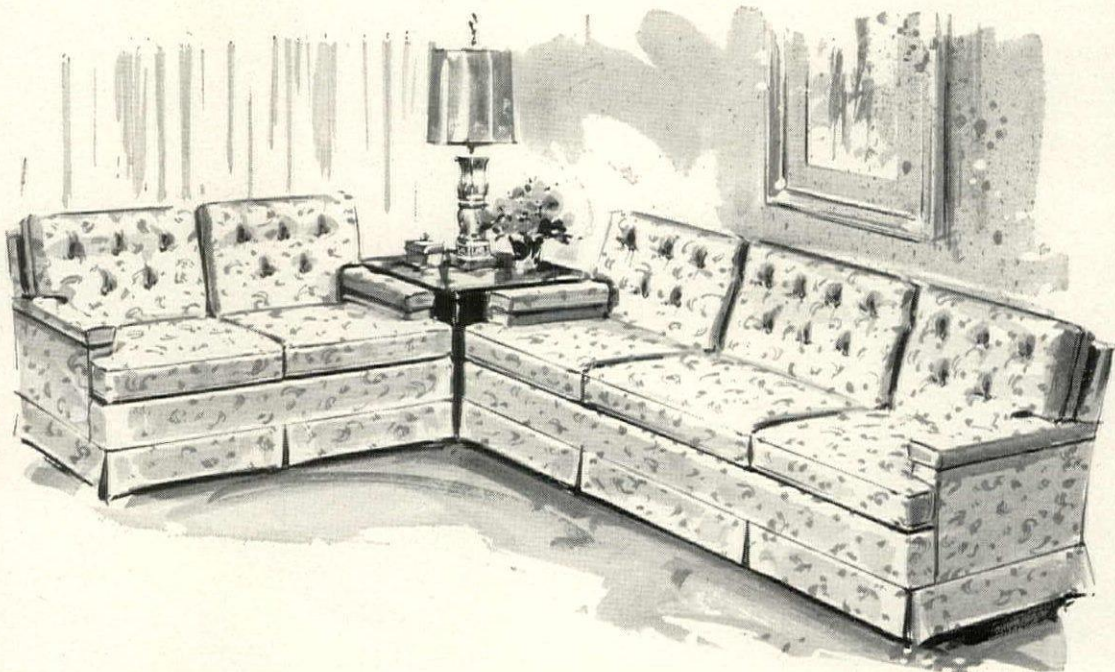
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Notes for the Hostess

BY MARY MOON HEMINGWAY

In keeping with the contemporary enthusiasm for instant this and instant that, why not instant table "linens?" With scissors, gift wrapping paper, or wallpaper, and a plastic mat for a guide, you can come up, in minutes, with place mats to fit the particular mood of the moment. Use pinking shears, take a little more time and some rubber cement, and you can turn out more sophisticated creations to carry out the special theme of a party. A wonderfully economical, easy way to get an effect without a serious outlay, and a great way to experiment with colors.

I've discovered a series of wine vinegars that are to ordinary vinegar what Beluga caviar is to lumpfish. Aged in oak as carefully as many a good table wine, Baccari Vintage Wine Vinegars come in red or white and with eleven other seasonings such as garlic, tarragon, or shallot. They also come as full-bodied herb vinegars, each green bottle holding what would seem to be almost a whole plant of rosemary, oregano, parsley, mint, dill, or basil. The bouquet garni combination is practically an entire herb garden. The bottles' shaker tops, much like those of bitters bottles, ensure judicious application. Solo, or in an epicurean gift pack of four, handsomely boxed in wood, or even all thirteen together, the vinegars may be ordered from that delightful San Francisco emporium of good living, The Arches, at Buchanan and North Point.

Another find on a recent trip to San Francisco: the Winestock, an ingenious extension of a familiar child's toy that seems to prove the form-follows-function principle. It consists of an assortment of fat and slender beech dowels that you fit together to make a wine rack of whatever size you happen to need. As your cellar grows, so does the wine rack. Sturdy and

sensible, it is good-looking enough in its simplicity to be kept in full sight. You can get it from S. Christiansen of Copenhagen, Inc., at 1001 Front Street.

When size or season limits the lavishness of flowers on the dining table, a porcelain reproduction of a Georgian candlestick can solve the problem with small-scaled authority. The one I saw at Quai Voltaire in New York is 4½-inches high with a holder in the base in




which you can put a few flowers or cigarettes. If used in pairs, these little candlesticks could light and liven a small dining table—garnished possibly with violets and garnet roses. One candlestick alone, filled with cigarettes, would be a charming beacon in a guest room, the candle lighted to welcome a visitor.

An international sandwich buffet accompanied by the usual liquid cheer is a liberating, lively way of entertaining a continuous stream of friends throughout a holiday afternoon and evening. Practicable, palatable, and subject to no rigid time schedule, the provender may be replenished at need with little consternation in the kitchen. It's just a matter of adequate preparation. Continued on page 8



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Space permitting, you might set up four tables, Mexican, French, Italian, and Danish—one in each corner of the room, and decorate each table differently: for the Mexican corner, perhaps a wild pink cloth plus flamboyant, carved Mexican candles; a bright blue cover for Denmark and a cluster of mini-tapers in a Scandinavian holder; green for Italy with Chianti bottle candlesticks; white damask or lace for France and an elegant candelabrum.

Let the Mexican menu feature tacos, those hearty, piquant, tortilla-folded snacks. A hot tray with cover dome will keep the previously heated tortillas warm, and the spicy meat mixture can be held at the right temperature in an electrically heated dish or over a candle warmer. Add a bowl of finely shredded lettuce, dishes of grated onion and store cheese, and a boat of fiery hot sauce (to be had in the Mexican food sections of many grocery stores), and let each guest make his own fresh taco to taste. Small paper plates are indicated.

The sandwiches à la Française would be of a daintier variety: small finger rolls filled with pâté; Bar-le-Duc and cream cheese between very, very thin slices of white bread; chopped chicken and mushrooms melded with hollandaise sauce spread on brioche slices or on rich egg bread.

Smørrebrød or Danish "battered bread" as their open-faced sandwiches are called, are fancifully pretty as well as filling. Vegetable flowers, butter swirls, mosaics of garnishes delight the eye as well as adding taste and texture. For instance, on buttered black bread, smoked salmon decked out with lemon slices and capers; delicately-sliced rare, roast beef dusted with black pepper on buttered brown bread and trimmed with fresh horseradish curls; tiny shrimp, or coarsely chopped shrimp mixed with mayonnaise and set off with cucumber slices.

For the serious trencherman, the Italian specialities are most rewarding. As a foundation, baskets of Italian bread split or in wedge-sized pieces, and/or halved, hard rolls. For fillings, a casserole of hot, small meat balls, a dish of roasted peppers, and a platter of Genoa salami, pepperoni sausage slices. To top them off, a dish of tomato sauce and a bowl of anchovies. Everyone to his own folly. A supply of larger paper plates would be welcome at this table.

With all this international sandwichery, it might be fun to serve in addition to the usual beverages, Mexican beer and a chilled vin rosé, akvavit, and Chianti.

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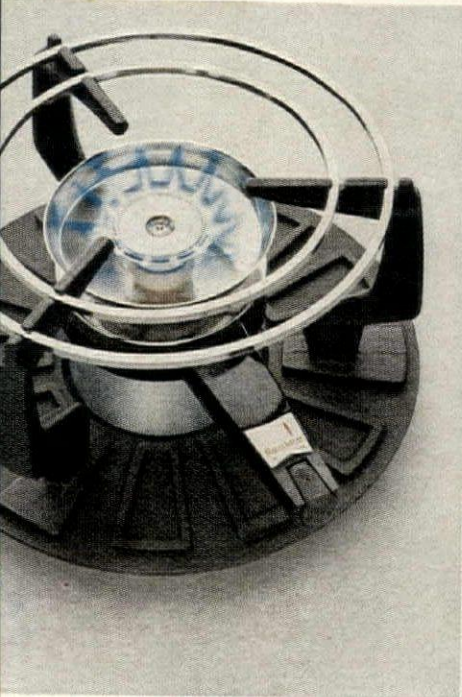
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I am enclosing a picture of a life-size bust of Lincoln which I own. I know it was done by L. W. Volk, who also made a bust of Stephen Douglas. The bust is signed, but has no date. Could you add to my information?
S.D.—Lima, Ohio

The American sculptor, Leonard Wells Volk (1828-1895) was born in Wellstown, N. Y. Stephen Douglas was his wife's cousin and helped him to study sculpture in Rome. Volk's studio was in Chicago, and he made the portraits of Lincoln and Douglas during the debates of 1858.



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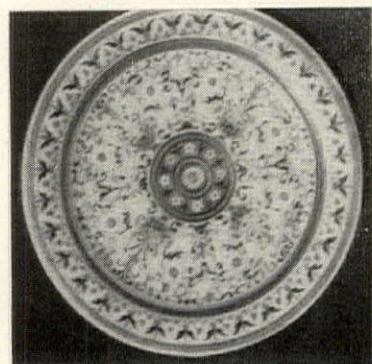
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My daughter-in-law received this German plate as a wedding present. Can you tell its age from the marks?

H.F.G.—Houston, Tex.



GERMAN PLATE

Your plate was made by the German firm of Villeroy and Boch, and the mark shows it was produced at Mettlach shortly after 1841, the year the firm was founded. Jean Francois Boch had bought the Abbey of Mettlach in 1809 to use as a plant for manufacturing earthenware.



REGENCY MIRROR

Can you give me any information about this mirror? It is made of a light wood covered with gold leaf. The eagle and the lion's head are black.

J.W.T.—Columbia, Mo.

The round convex wall mirror, which was frequently designed with lateral candle arms, is believed to have originated in France and is identified with the French Empire style. But it was also fashionable in England during the Regency period, 1795-1820. Since your mirror is in the Regency style, it was probably made in England.



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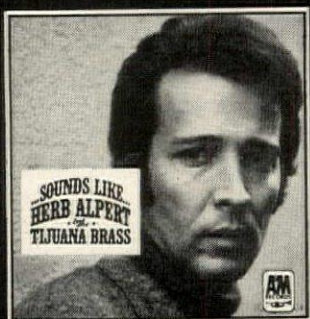
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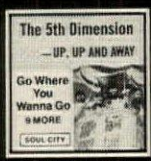
5368. Casino Royale, Wade In The Water, Shades Of Blue, Town Without Pity, 8 more



5557. Also: A Girl Like Better Run, If You Knew, Sueno, etc.



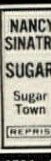
5509. Plus: If I Had Wings, Rolling Home, 12 in all



5588. Also: Learn How To Fly, Poor Side Of Town, etc.



3442. Also: A Poem on the Underground Wall, Cloudy, etc.



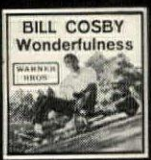
3734. P. Myself, Coastin'



5577. Two-Record Set (Counts As One Selection) What Now My Love; I Got You, Babe; Plastic Man; Just You; etc.



3605. "Some of his funniest material." -Billboard



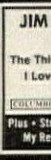
5562. P. Tuesday, Home, M



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5584. Plus: Apache, The Lonely Bull, Wipe-Out, 12 in all



5551. Al. End Of Love, 10



5236. Selections from Bernstein's most popular albums.



5297. Also: Makin' My Mind Up, I'll Run Away, 11 in all



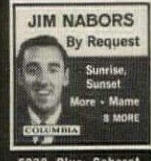
2595. Also: Do You Wanna Dance, Spanish Harlem, etc.



5317. First-rate humor in the true Cosby tradition.



5298. Plus: Sweet, Sweet Lovable You; He's Got You; etc.



5238. Plus: Cabaret, Time After Time, Hasta Luego, etc.



5095. Plus: Orange Blossom Special; It Ain't Me, Babe; etc.



2672. "The best musical of the season." -CBS News



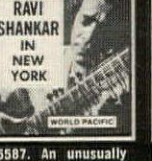
3747. Plus: Dear Heart, Yesterday, Unchained Melody, etc.



4785. Plus: Mame; What Now My Love; Sunrise, Sunset; etc.



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5587. An unusually delightful album of entertainment.



3858. Plus: Rainy Day Women, Like A Rolling Stone, etc.



4936. Plus: Try To Remember, Softly As I Leave You, etc.



3782. Musical fantasy for the young at heart



3790. Plus: Remove This Doubt, I'll Turn To Stone, 8 more



3780. Also: Bless This House, The Lord's Prayer, etc.



2416. Plus: Green, Green; We'll Sing In The Sunshine; etc.



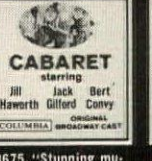
4947. Plus: They Call The Wind Maria, Spanish Eyes, etc.



5430. Plus: Secret Love, The Trouble With Me, Ivy, etc.



3832. Plus: Cinnamon And Clove, Bim-Bom, Night And Day, etc.



3675. "Stunning musical. Brilliantly conceived." -N.Y. Times



3769. Also: Love For Sale, I Get A Kick Out Of You, etc.



3798. Also: Summer Wind, Guantanamera, Cabaret, etc.



3855. Plus: Free Again, Nice 'N' Easy, Girl Talk, etc.



5561. Plus: Eight Miles High, My Back Pages, 30, 11 in all



5318. Two-Record Set (Counts As One Selection) "...a dazzling display in a group of flamenco pieces..." -N.Y. Times



1903. Also: In The Chapel in the Moonlight, etc.



3854. Plus: My Guy; Sunrise, Sunset; A Felicidade; etc.



3696. Real Bargain! Two-record set counts as one selection. Dandy, Daydream, Summer In The City, '96 Years, 29 more



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5555. Bride, Annabe



3890. Here is a treasure for your classical library... this special two-record set counts as one selection only



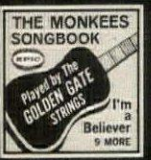
1035. "Most lavish, beautiful musical; a triumph!" -Kilgallen



3827. Plus: Last Train To Clarksville; Mary, Mary; etc.



1646. Also: Love Is A Bore, My Lord And Master, Autumn, etc.



3767-3768. Two Record Set (Counts As Two Selections)



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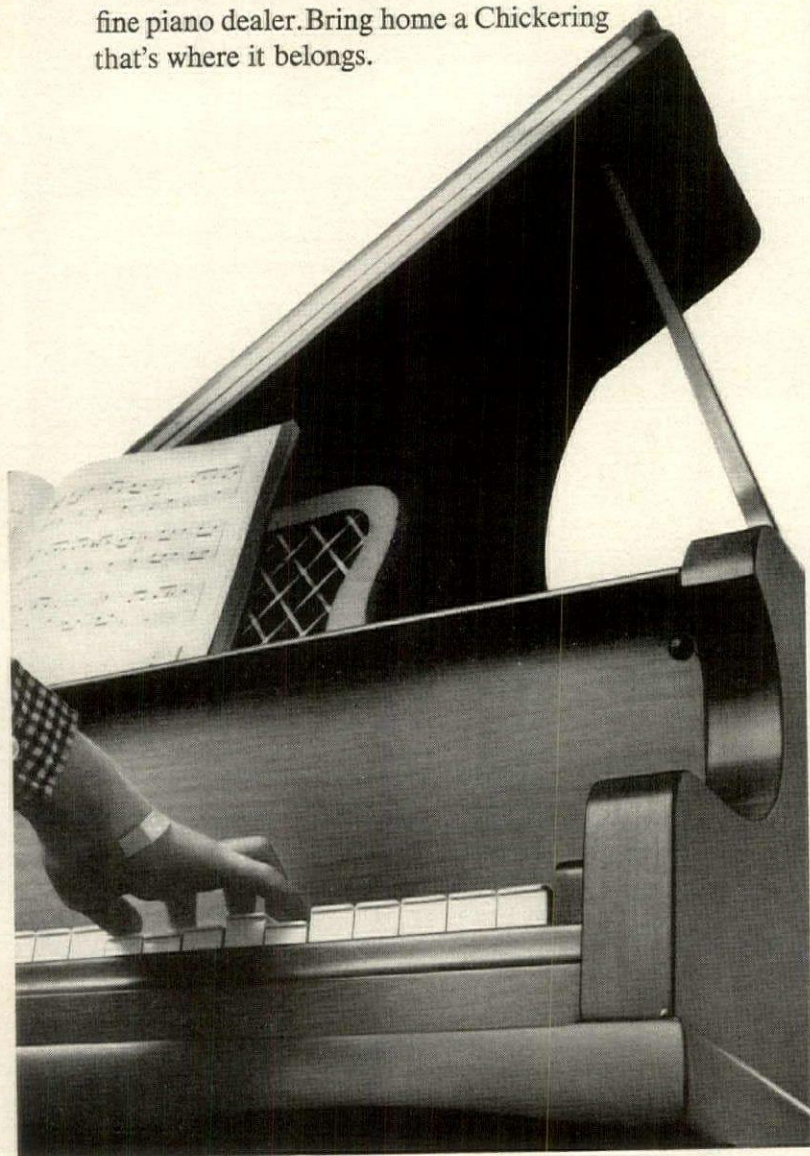
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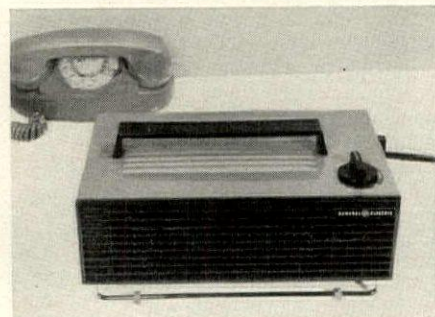
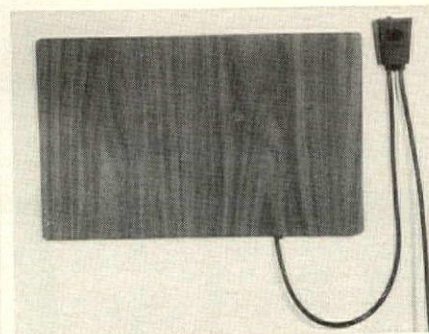


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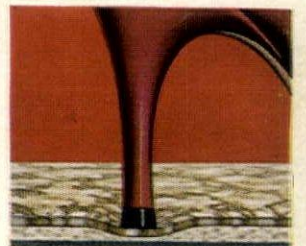
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THE FANTASTIC WORLD OF WAGNER

How you can explore it without having to stand in line for tickets

BY RONALD GIBSON

The hardest tickets to come by in New York this season will be those for the new Metropolitan Opera production of Wagner's *Die Walküre*, which will open November 21 and be repeated intermittently until March 4. Several ingredients have combined to create this surge of excitement: the prestigious Austrian conductor Herbert von Karajan, who makes his Met debut in the new production; the controversial sets, brought to New York intact from the Salzburg Festival; the glamour-laden cast of singers. But basic to it all is the commanding presence of Richard Wagner, whose music dramas continue to attract capacity audiences, more devoted and voracious today than ever.

If you can manage to get in to a Wagner performance at the Metropolitan this winter, well and good. But if you can't, don't despair. Listening to Wagner at home in up-to-date stereo is superior in many respects to anything you will experience in the opera house. Even veteran opera buffs will concede that the fantastic world of Wagnerian music drama, with its gods and heroes, its rainbow bridges and fire-encircled rocks, is better envisioned in the mind's eye than counterfeited in the theatre.

The most cunningly executed stage settings cannot compare to the scenes we can visualize under the stimulating influence of Wagner's music. And only rarely do sopranos and tenors with the requisite Wagnerian lung power come close to resembling the sinewy men and svelte women depicted in the librettos. Generally speaking, when it comes to Wagner in the opera house, seeing is *not* believing. You can, of course, always shut your eyes. But in that case, why go to the opera house at all? Now that the full thrust and breadth of Wagner can be captured on records, the armchair listener is in a position to savor this music at its very best.

The Valkyries on discs

Today there is a wide range of complete performances on records from which to choose. For example, a production of *Die Walküre*

very similar to the one that is selling out at the Metropolitan can also be heard in splendid stereo. Karajan conducts this new Deutsche Grammophon recording, and the cast is equal in quality to that appearing at the Met. In the Met production and on the records Jon Vickers and Gundula Janowitz are the lovers, Siegmund and Sieglinde; on the recording Thomas Stewart sings Wotan and Josephine Veasey and Martti Talvela are heard in the roles of Fricka and Hunding. The major change in casting is the Brünnhilde—Birgit Nilsson at the Met, Régine Crespin on the discs.

In the recording, Karajan emphasizes the luscious opulence of Wagner's music. The Berlin Philharmonic's strings glow with warm intensity and the brasses represent the last word in burnished splendor. Against this dark, softly cushioned orchestral background, the cast gives a performance of unconventionally intimate proportions. Every word comes across with pointed immediacy, so that the drama seems less epic and grandiose than we have been led to expect. This is especially so in the case of Siegmund and Sieglinde, who for once really sound youthful and rapturous as they rush off into the moonlit night.

The Ring in toto

During the next three years Karajan will record for Deutsche Grammophon and produce at the Met the three other operas that comprise Wagner's "Ring" cycle—*Das Rheingold*, *Siegfried*, and *Götterdämmerung*. If you start with *Die Walküre* now, you will be able to acquire and assimilate the complete cycle in easy stages. But if you are badly bitten by the Wagner bug and can't wait that long, there is a complete recording of the four operas made by London Records, and a singularly impressive achievement it is: four albums, containing a total of nineteen discs, each one a trailblazer in the field of operatic recording.

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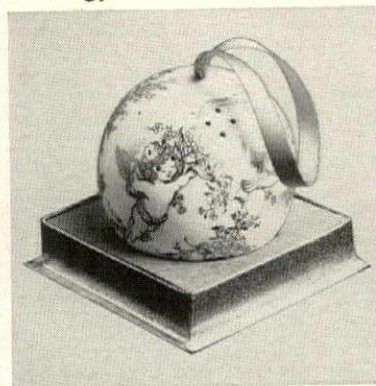
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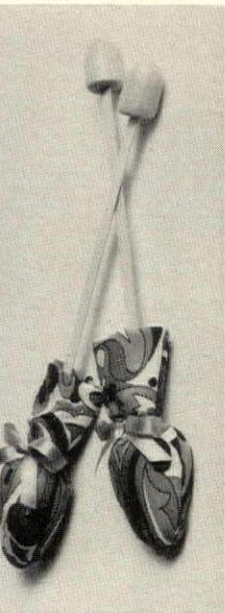
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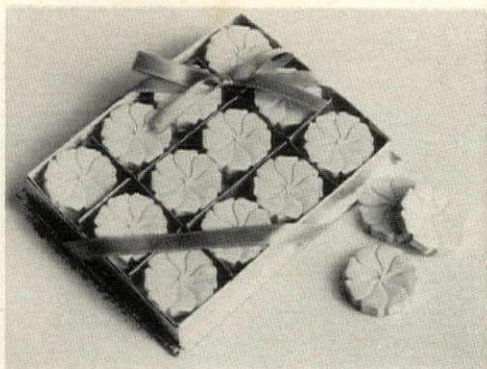
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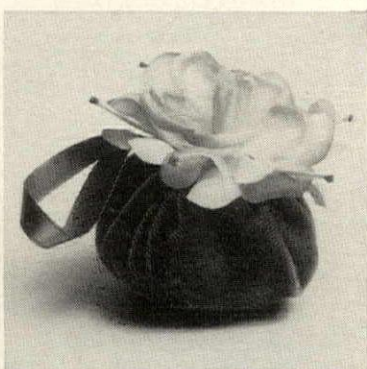
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The Hungarian conductor Georg Solti is in charge of these performances throughout. He leads the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and a dazzling constellation of starsingers—including Birgit Nilsson, Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Kirsten Flagstad, Joan Sutherland (who has a bit part in *Siegfried*), and the veteran bass Hans Hotter. Solti's approach is more abrasive and sharply etched than Karajan's, and the singers adhere more closely to the traditionally heroic manner of interpreting Wagner. To recommend one conductor over the other would be foolhardy when both have so much to recommend them. Some people will prefer Karajan's silken suavity, some will favor Solti's jabbing sparkle—and some won't be content until they have both of these recordings in their collection.

The greatest Isolde

A similar embarrassment of riches greets the Wagnerite in search of a recorded *Tristan und Isolde*. For many years the choice was easy. Toward the end of her career, Kirsten Flagstad sang in a complete recording for Angel Records that seemed virtually unimprovable. Not only did it have the great Norwegian soprano in thrillingly splendid voice (even in her late fifties Flagstad could outsing colleagues half her age), but it was directed by the most esteemed Wagnerian conductor of recent history, the late Wilhelm Furtwängler. Although the other participants in this recorded *Tristan* were not quite so noteworthy, they were at the very least entirely adequate, and the performance reached heights of passion and sustained power rarely encountered, either on stage or records.

Recently the supremacy of this recording has been challenged by a newer version of *Tristan* recorded on the stage of the Bay-

reuth Festspielhaus. The Isolde of this one is Birgit Nilsson and Karl Böhm is in the pit—both estimable musicians, if not, in my opinion, quite the equal of Flagstad and Furtwängler. But to help tip the scales in its favor, this new Deutsche Grammophon production has a more persuasive singer in the role of Tristan (Wolfgang Windgassen) and far more up-to-date engineering. Although the sound of the monaural Angel set was good for its time, it begins to seem dim and lusterless when compared to the striking stereo spread of the newer recording. Take your choice: a unique performance of *Tristan* in dated sound or a better-than-average performance in superb stereo. The dedicated Wagnerite will probably want to have both.

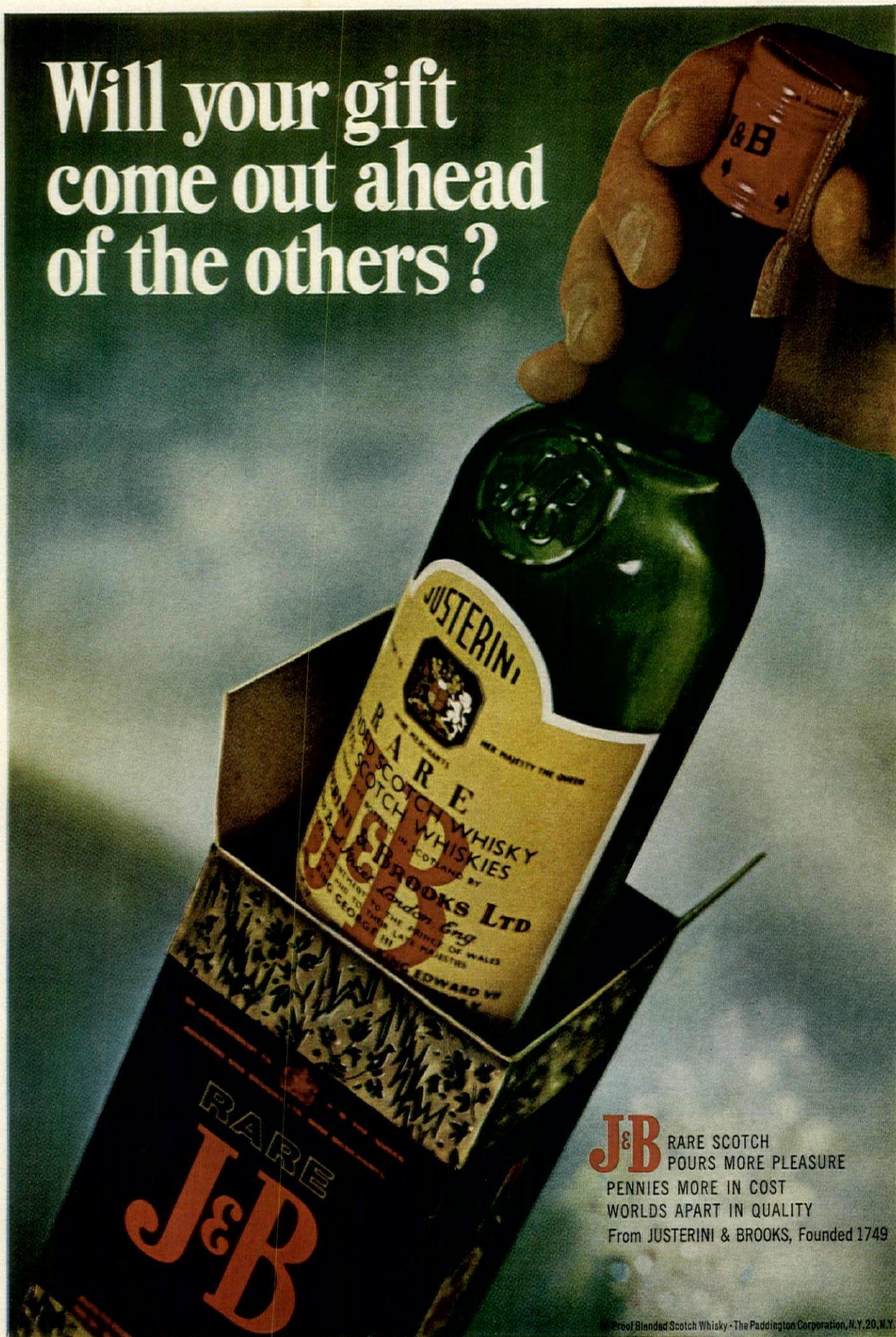
Fortunately, there is less need for equivocation when it comes to *Parsifal*, Wagner's last—and some say his greatest—music drama. From the standpoint of both interpretation and engineering, the album to have is the Philips set, recorded from the Bayreuth stage in 1962 with conductor Hans Knappertsbusch in charge. True, some of the singing is less than ideal, but the performance as a whole wonderfully conveys the mystical eloquence of this score, and the stereo microphones manage to capture the special quality of Bayreuth's acoustics.

The best is yet to come

In the case of *Lohengrin* and *Die Meistersinger*, the best advice for the armchair listener is to wait. (*Lohengrin* will also be performed at the Met this year, as will *Der Fliegende Holländer*.) None of the currently available recordings can be recommended with unqualified enthusiasm. There is marvelous orchestral playing by the Boston Symphony and fine engineering in the RCA Victor recording of *Lohengrin*, but the singing is mediocre. Conversely, there is some wonderful singing in the Richmond set of *Die Meistersinger* (most particularly the incomparable Paul Schoeffler as Hans Sachs), but the 1950-vintage monaural sound can't begin to do justice to the richness of Wagner's instrumentation.

These gaps in the Wagner discography will undoubtedly be filled before too long. Meanwhile, the armchair Wagnerite already has plenty of good material to keep him happy. He can forget about those "Sold Out" signs at the Met and revel in the intoxication of this music as it fills the living room with swirling sound and the mind's eye with the fabulous creations of Wagner's imagination.

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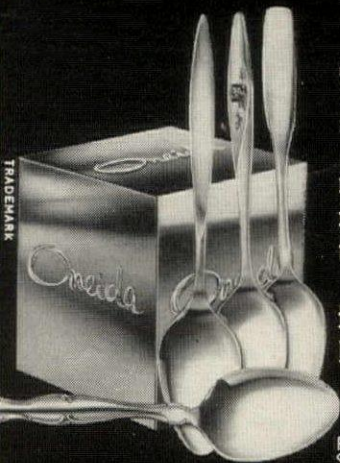
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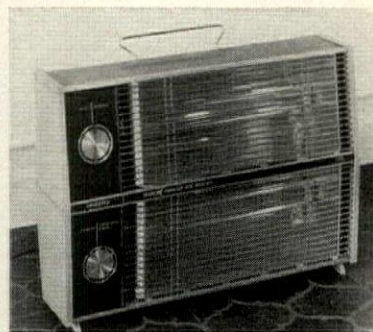
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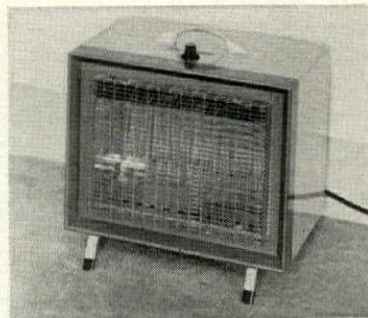
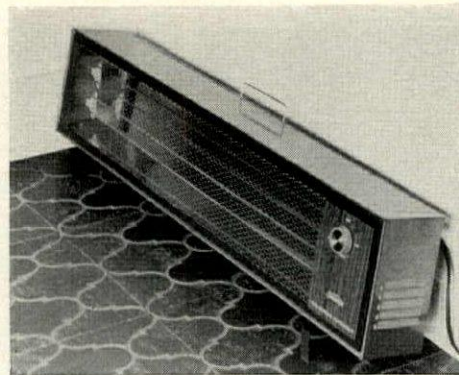


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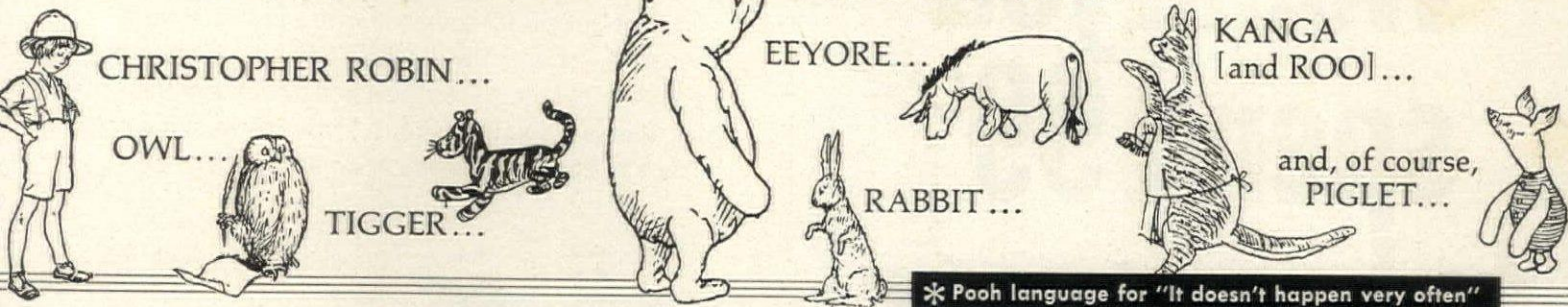
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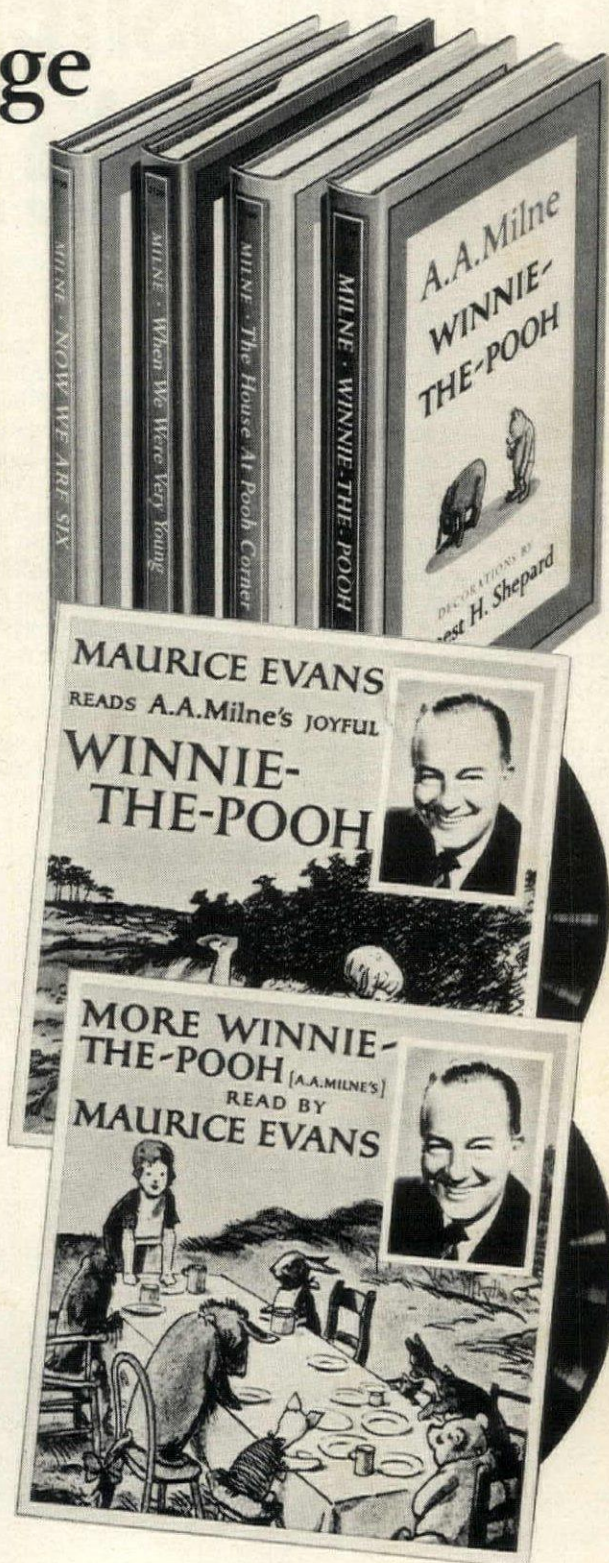
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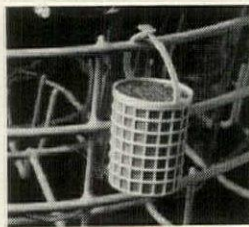
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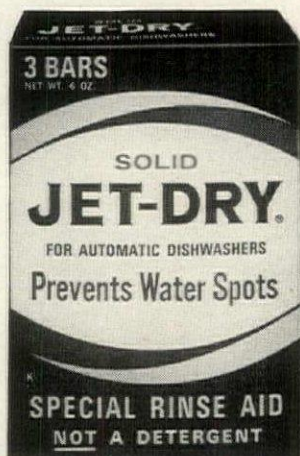
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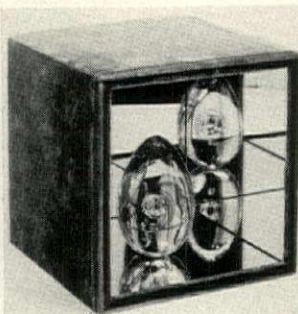
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Spectacular espresso machine, 18 inches high. Chrome with plastic handles and knobs. Capacity: 14 demitasses. Romanelli Imports. \$168.50.

For an elegant bluestocking, a little roll-top desk from Italy. When drawer is opened, the tambour top rolls back. Walnut, teak, or rosewood, or antiqued elm. Scandinavian Sun. \$330.

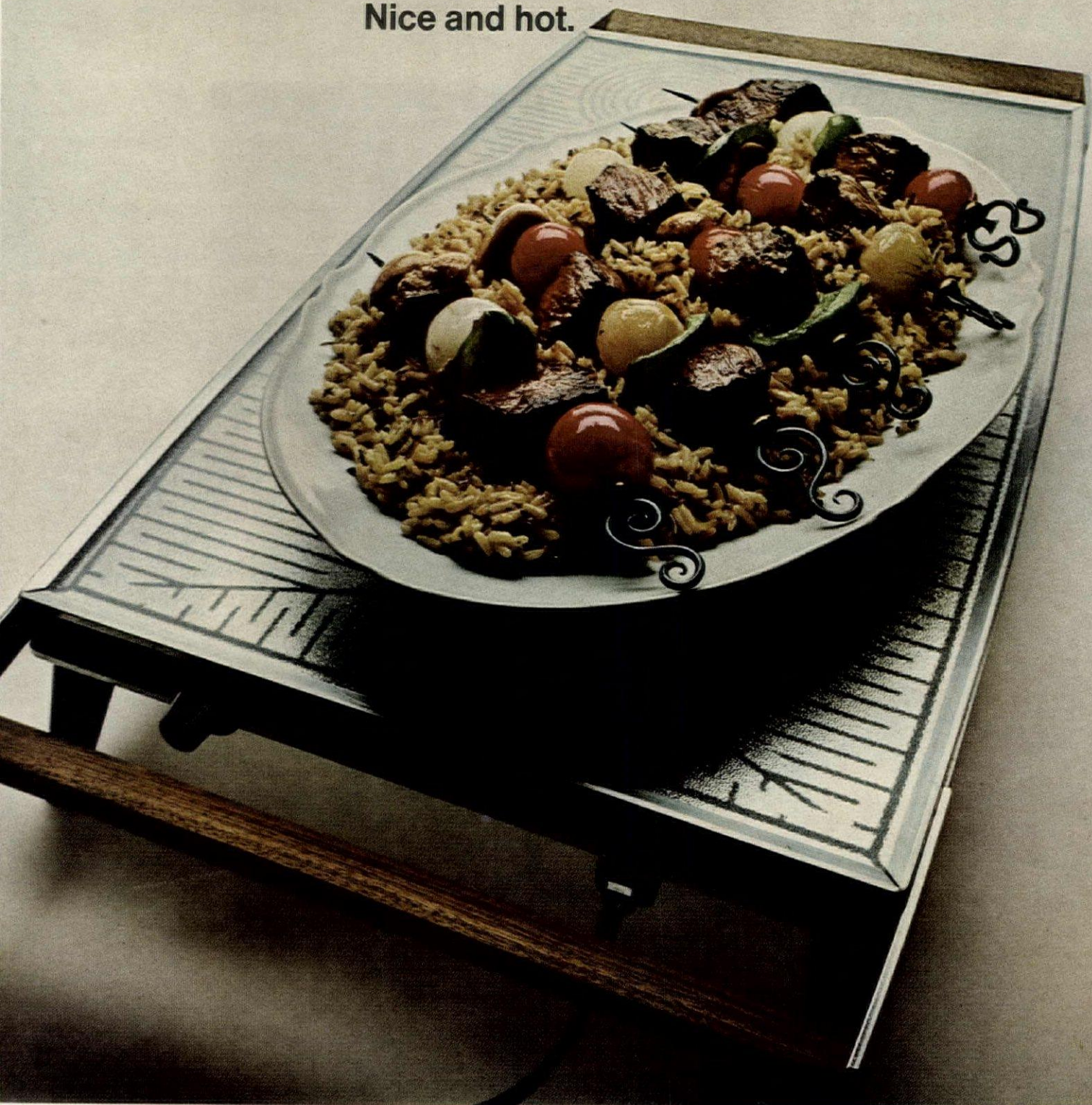


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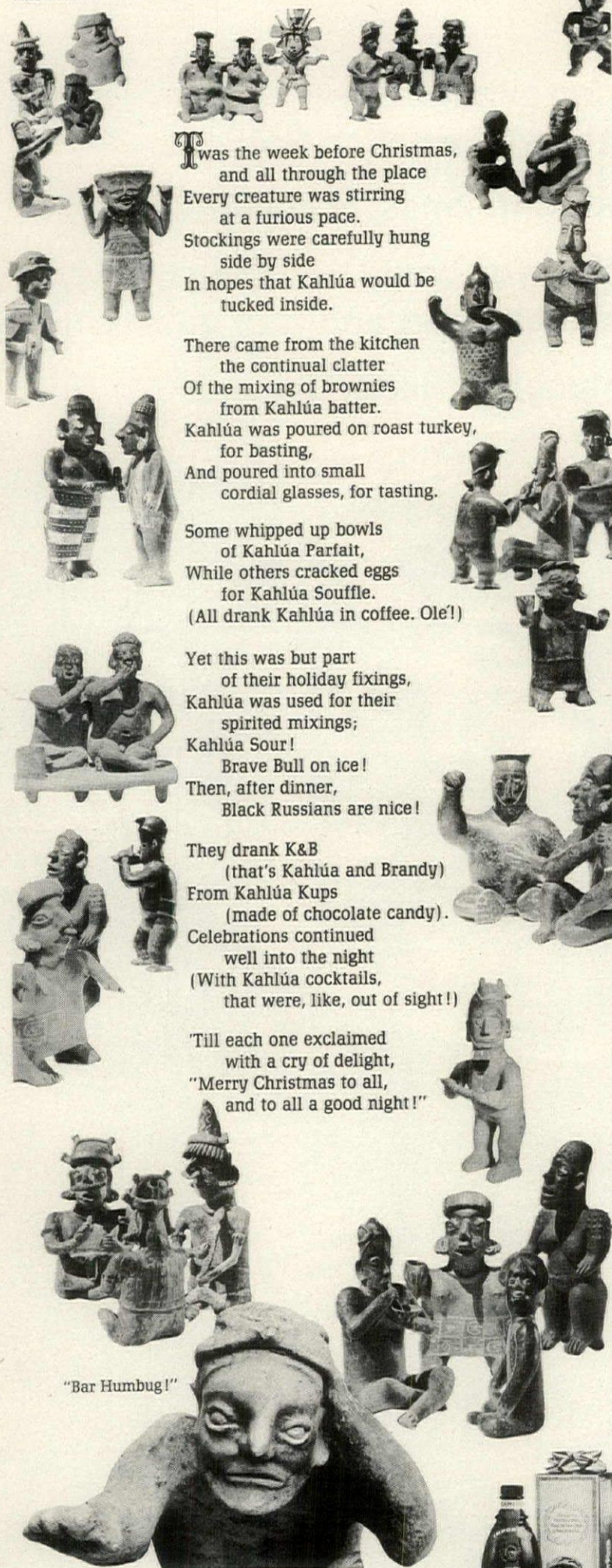
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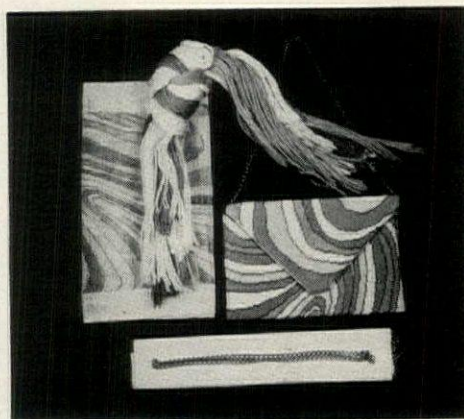


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FOR NIMBLE NEEDLES

Stitchery kits make thoughtful presents for needlecrafters—or, if you are one yourself, provide you with all the makings of charming gifts for ten-thumbs types

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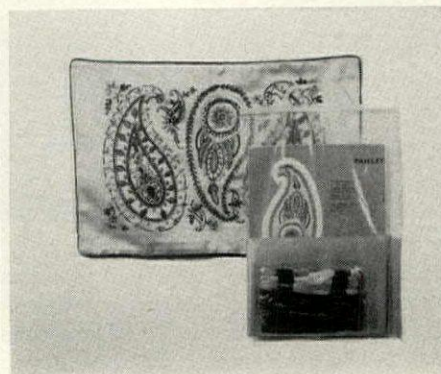


Needlepoint handbag to be, about 10 inches long, in an art nouveau pattern. Kit includes Paterna yarns in pretty colors—yellow, white, apricot, blue, green—canvas, chain, snap, trimming, full instructions. \$20. Sophisti-Kits.



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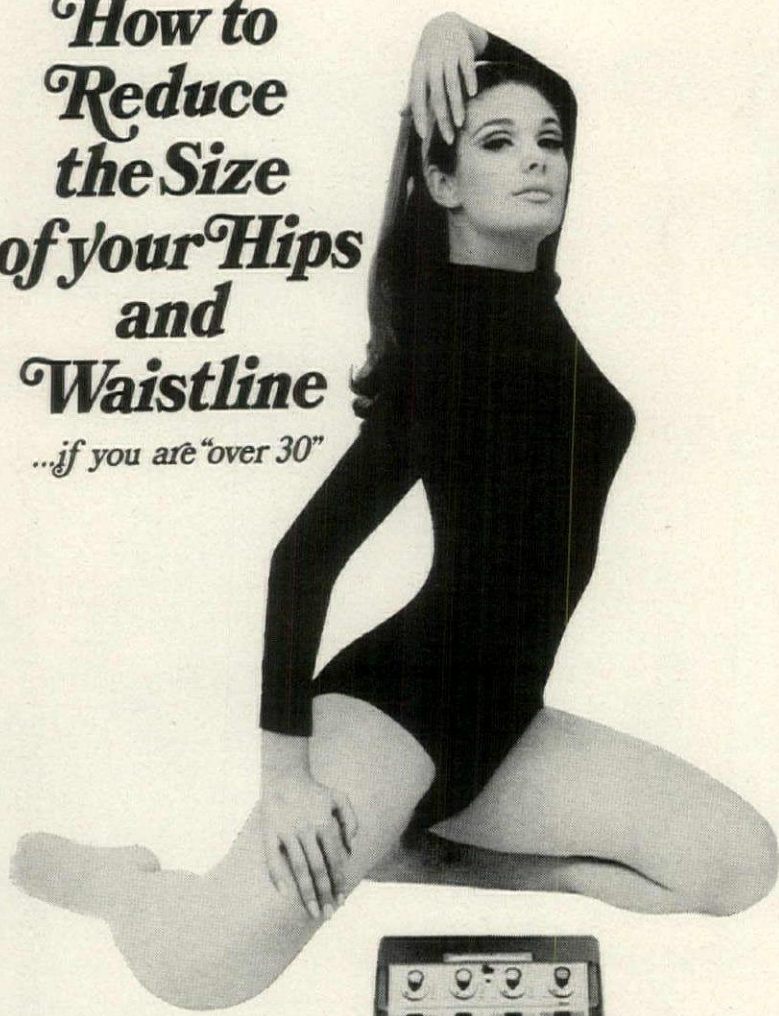
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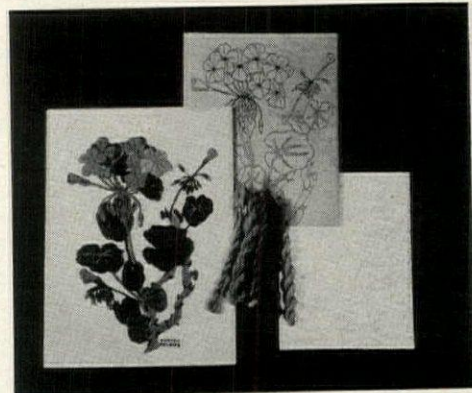
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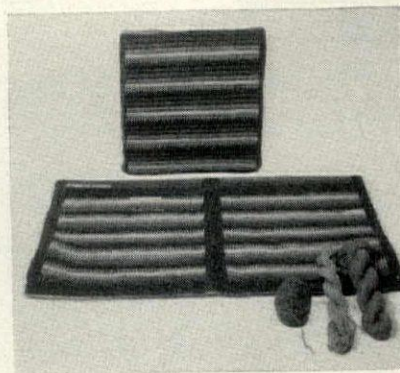
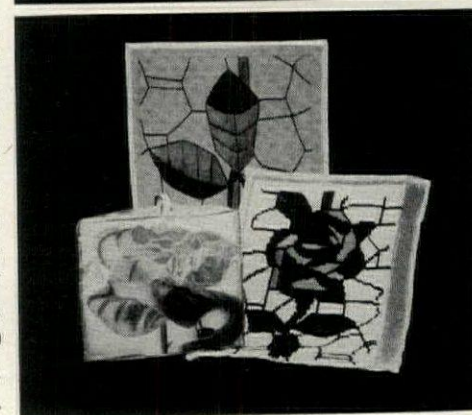


To tempt a knitter, a golden lion or a gray, pink, and mauve elephant, each about 10 inches long. Kits contain knitting instructions, wool, and stuffing. Lion, \$5.20; elephant, \$4.15. Both from the Yarn Depot.

Beautiful geranium designed by Diantha Fielding to be stitched in crewel-work on Belgian linen. Persian yarns in true-to-nature colors—in this flower, reds, pinks, and greens. 14 by 18 inches. \$23. Needlecraft Shop.

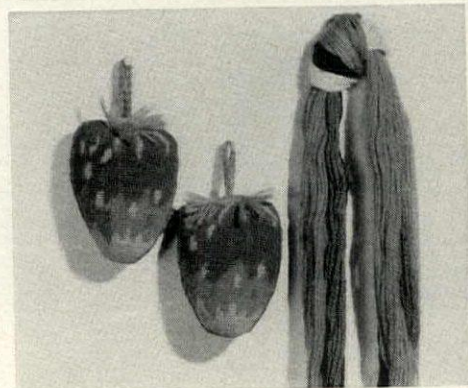


Needlepoint "stained glass" in the manner of Louis Comfort Tiffany—a huge rose and a huge leaf. Kits include yarns in blue/purple, pink/red, green/blue, yellow/orange for the rose, shades of green for the leaf, plus canvas, instructions. 20 by 20 inches. Each kit, \$30. Needlepoint à la Carte.

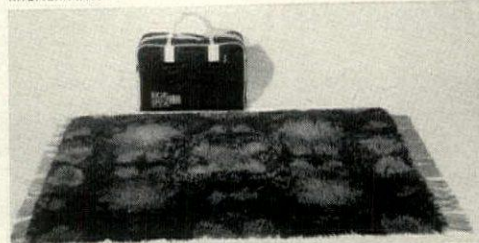


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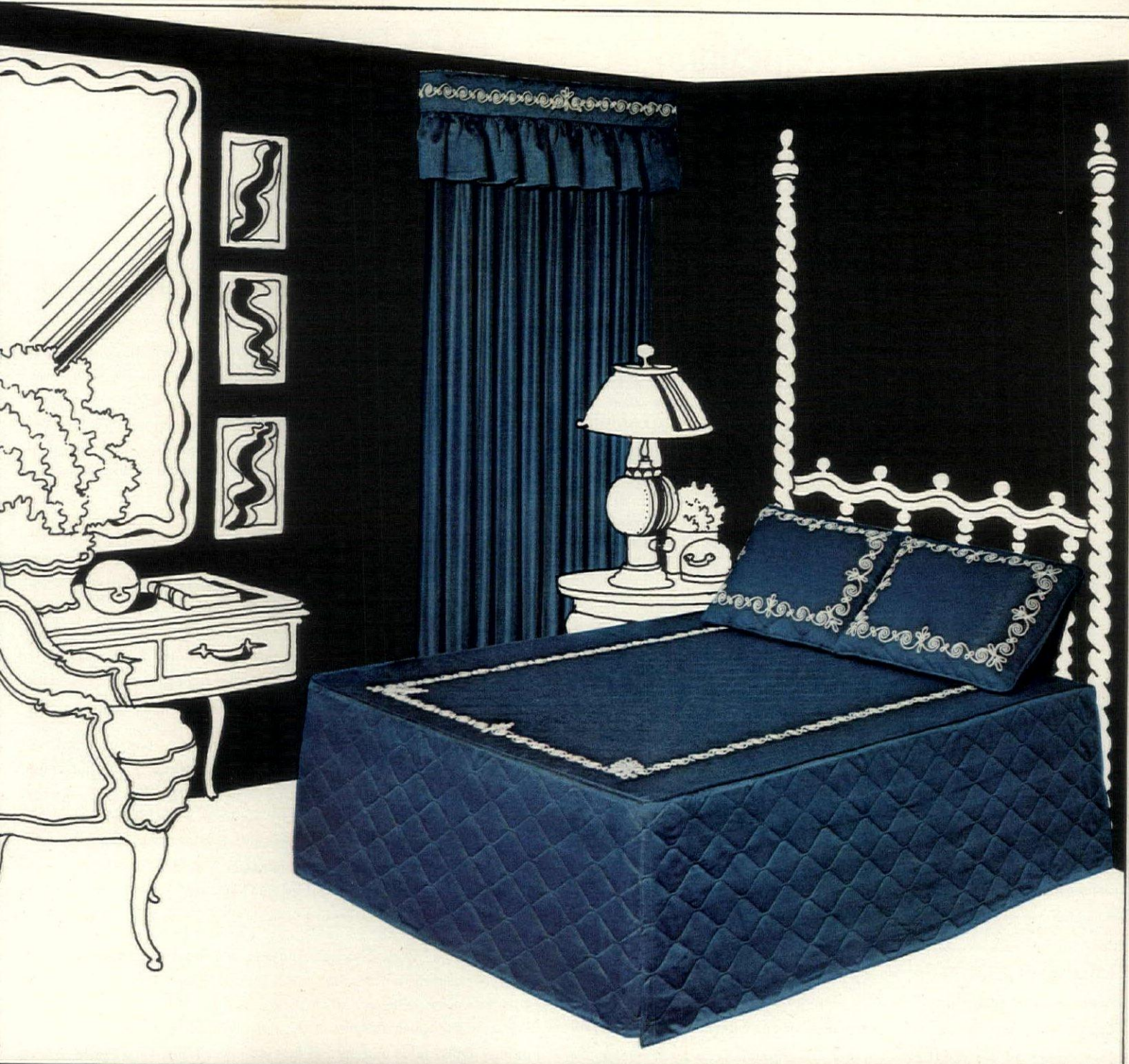
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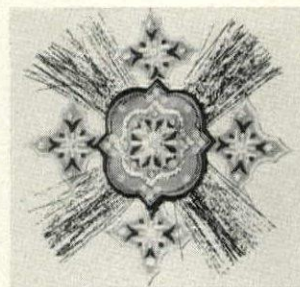
Much of the fun of Christmas is creating decorations with your own hands. From some of this year's gift wrapping papers you can make dashing ornaments by cutting out the motifs and pleating them or stiffening them with cardboard, and finishing them with ribbons and beads. The ornaments below were designed especially for H&G with a sampling of Norcross gift papers and Festive Tie.

STAR MEDALLION (from "Golden Radiance" paper). Back one of the larger medallion motifs with cardboard and glue two 4½-inch pieces of ⅝-inch Festive Tie, crisscrossed, to the back. Fray the ribbons by removing the selvage threads on each side and unraveling the filler from the metallic warp. To each point of the medallion, glue one of the smaller medallion motifs, and paste a second set of medallions to the back of the ornament to hide the cardboard.

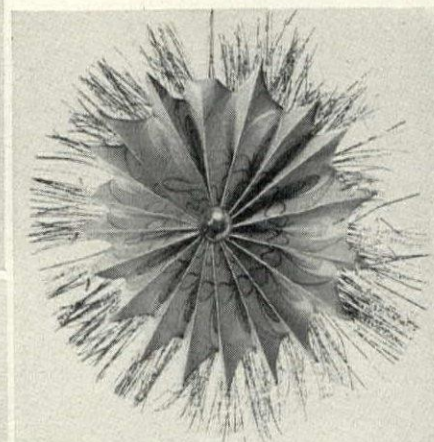
MOBILE (from "Stained Glass" paper). Cut out a 3¾-inch square of paper, taking as your center one of the yellow-and-purple 1-inch squares in the pattern, then trim to shape of ornament (see below). Back with cardboard, and cover reverse side with duplicate motif. Cut out ten ¾-inch squares to make five reversible cardboard-stiffened pendants. Wire one to top of ornament, and three to bottom. With a razor, cut out the yellow-and-purple center of the ornament, and hang the fifth pendant with a small piece of wire to the top of the opening.

PLEATED ROSETTE (from "Castilian Red" paper). You start this with a 20-inch strip of the paper, 1¾ inches wide, which has points along one edge, following the scalloped line of the pattern. Using these points as a guide, accordion-fold the strip, join the ends, then form into a rosette. Glue pleated rosette to a 2½-inch disk of cardboard, and insert a bead at the center to hide cardboard. To the back of the cardboard, glue eight 4½-inch pieces of Festive Tie, crisscrossed, and fray the ends as in the star medallion, below.

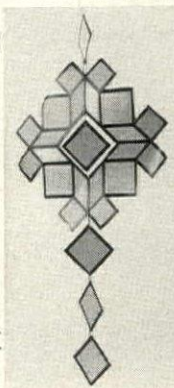
BAUBLE (from "Rose Elegance" paper). Cut out in one piece six of the larger connecting motifs that resemble Christmas tree balls, plus an extra half-motif at each end. Starting at left, fold back the half-motif, then accordion-pleat the rest of the strip by folding at motif centers and joinings. Open folds and spread face down on table. Cover back of strip with rubber cement and press together each of the pleats. Press wire along the length of the spine and make a hanger loop. Fan out the folds.



STAR MEDALLION



PLEATED ROSETTE

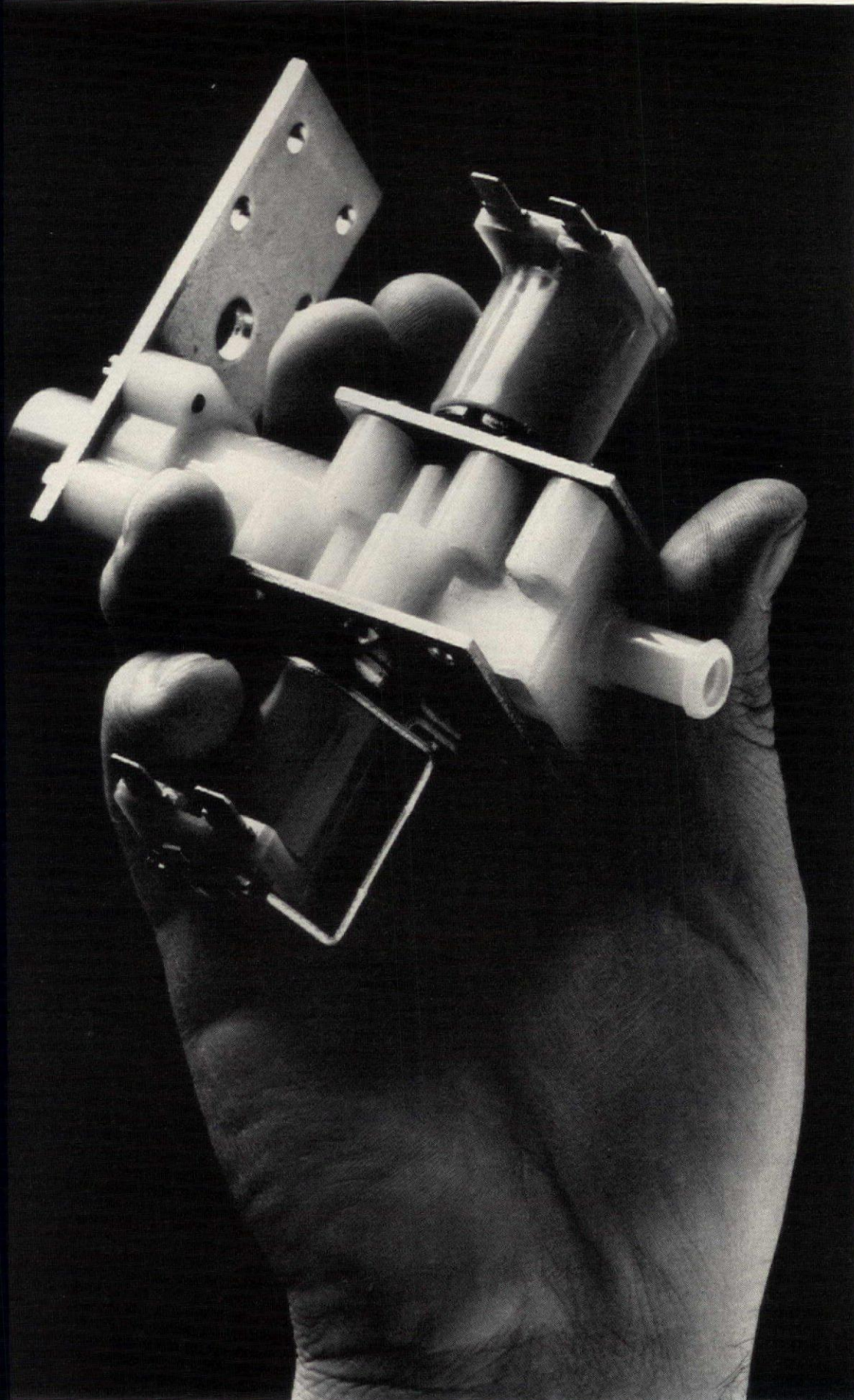


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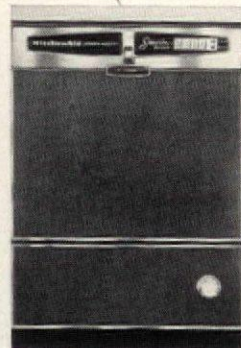
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
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Notes for December gardeners

From condensation to Christmas trees and from wildflowers to windproofing



First week

Cons of condensation. Air circulation can be just as important to the welfare of tools as it is to roses. And good air circulation is something that even more tool sheds than rose gardens lack. In the case of tools, the enemy is rust; in roses it is mildew, disease, or worse. Excess moisture, whatever the cause, is the culprit. In the muggy days of summer, condensation is the simple result of too much humidity, which, especially when it is trapped in confined places or under moisture-proof coverings, simply settles on whatever is handy. If that substance is a ferrous metal, rust ensues. If it is brass or aluminum, lesser oxidation can eventually cause pitting or deterioration of

exposed surfaces. In winter, the problem is the same, except that cold air cannot hold as much moisture as warm air, therefore condensation occurs sooner and in greater volume. There is less risk of actual mildew, which is a summer fungus disease, but the fine brown film of rust you find on your tools come spring can be just as harmful in several ways. Among them, of course, are the dulling of tool edges, increased friction in tools whose effectiveness depends on smoothness, and the shortening of tool life.

The best answer to condensation—after the application of protective coatings (oil, for instance)—is ventilation of storage spaces. Open windows are fine, provided they don't admit worse elements than air. Prefabricated ventilating panels, of wood or metal, that may be inserted into holes cut in walls above lintels, or in gable-ends beneath pitched roofs, should make a considerable difference in the incidence of inside condensation, even though, for normal ventilation purposes, the results would be

inadequate. Whatever device you may be able to buy at your local hardware store or supply yard, get it in a reasonable size—2 square feet or more for even a smallish closet. Make sure the panel is screened against wasps and caterpillars, and is stormproof.



Second week

Deck the hollies. Every year at about this time we stress the importance of protecting broadleaf evergreens from the low but surprisingly intense rays of winter sun and the scorching effects (not necessarily the coldness) of strong winds. And every year we suggest setting the boughs of scavenged Christmas trees among the branches of hollies and similar shrubs and small trees to provide such

protection. Any evergreen branches will do, but the timeliness of Christmas and the presumed availability of free trees justify the recommendation. But beware lest by the time you lay your hands on abandoned trees you find the ground frozen too hard for pushing the lopped off branches into position. (The same should be borne in mind in connection with any stakes to be driven into the ground to support protective screens or covers.) If the ground does freeze early and permanently before Christmas, however, do not despair. Simply tie your Christmas greens amid the foliage of the vulnerable plant, overlapping and spiral-wrapping them to any height desired.

While we are on the subject of winter sun and windburn, bear in mind that the often invaluable wilt-proofing (anti-desiccant) compounds often weather even more unfortunately than the foliage they protect. The wilt-proofing spray tends to decompose in sun and wind and will not last the

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winter. There is little point in doing a protection job that is only 50 per cent effective. So spray at least twice—once this month, on a day when the temperature can be expected to remain above 40 degrees for twenty-four hours, and again someday in late February when you have the same prospects for mild weather.



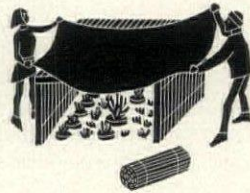
Third week

More wildflowers. The New York Botanical Garden, in conjunction with the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, and with the help of private investors, has now published the second volume of its series on the *Wildflowers of the United States*. This two-section volume covers the Southeast. The first volume, published last winter, covered the herbaceous plants of the northeastern U.S. and costs \$39.50. The new work contains more plants and pages and sells for \$44.50. A good deal of the extra content has to do with plants native to areas where the two regions adjoin. The repetition of text

and identical color plates from the first volume, which may at first seem unnecessary, is probably justified by the assumption—in part suggested by the cost of the volumes—that many prospective purchasers will buy only the book covering the area of their special interest. And if a plant will grow in their region, no matter where else it may be found, they will want it in the volume they buy.

This project remains stupendous and unique, offering as it does a photograph, in color and usually in a proper habitat, of virtually every one of the enormous number of plants described. Only herbaceous plants of general interest to gardeners and nature lovers are covered—no woody plants, for example, no mosses, no fungi—but far from diminishing the scope of the effort, that limitation only emphasizes its importance. The great virtues of the first volume remain: the clarity of Dr. Harold Rickett's text, the organization of the plants by families, the quality of both typography and color reproductions. The disadvantages of the first volume also remain: the fact that there is no cross-reference by page or plate number from text to pictures (they were produced in different countries, assembled here for binding); that no real sense of

scale or size is provided (one photograph on a page represents, perhaps, a blossom 3 inches in diameter on a plant 2 feet high, and another photograph, of about the same size, depicts a plant 2 inches high with a score of florets each as big as the head of a mapping pin). Both of these deficiencies could be remedied in later volumes, and we hope they will be, even if it is necessary for the sponsors and publishers to maintain a slightly slower production schedule. Because this work, while botanically precise and surely of a quality to hold the respect of professionals, is actually intended for amateurs, it should be so designed that it will be of the greatest possible use to them. But the fact that the second volume, like the first, is such a delight to see and peruse is reason enough for stretching the budget to buy it.



Fourth week

Lean-to wind frame. Other plants than broadleaf evergreens may also need special winter safeguards. In addition to protection against an excess of sun (admit-

tedly the most important single hazard of the cold season in the North Temperate Zones), they will need protection against pelting rain, sleet, heavy wet snow (all capable of forming ice around plant crowns and on plant leaves and branches), as well as against blustery winds. Some gardeners go to the trouble of erecting the same kind of burlap-on-frame screens that are used to protect prize boxwoods, hollies, and rhododendrons. But there are simpler expedients where a number of plants are grouped together or where a variety of plants, both shrubby and herbaceous, can be included in a single bed for winter care before going to more permanent positions the following spring. Among the best of these is the two-sided corral, with roof, that gives protection from the prevailing winds (say north and west, or north and east, in the North Temperate Zone) and from storms of any kind. You can make this corral with the assistance of the ever helpful snow fence. The fencing alone will provide protection at the sides. Fencing supported by a framework of one-by-two's and topped by cheesecloth or tobacco cloth (the type used to shade tobacco fields in summer) will break the force of rain, but permit the descent of moisture, and will cut down the impact of heavy snows, but allow fine dry snow to sift through.

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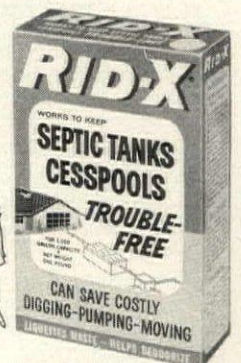
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The Blockbusters

Every year, in time for Christmas, the major publishing houses present a selection of very special books that usually have several points in common: they are large in format ("coffee-table" tomes) and generally esoteric in subject matter. They are handsomely illustrated, usually with a large number of plates in exquisite color. The printing and reproduction are meticulous. They tend to be more for browsing than reading, although the text is often very erudite. And they are expensive! In short, these are books that make wonderful presents, delightful to receive, but you probably would think twice about buying one of them for yourself.

Here is a brief selection of these Christmas blockbusters that we think would be of special interest to H&G readers:

Picasso: The Blue and Rose Periods by Pierre Daix and Georges Boudaille. (New York Graphic Society, pre-Christmas, \$29.95; \$35 thereafter.) A complete survey of the master's work during the periods that may be his most popular and are certainly his most romantic. Sixty-one full-color pages plus black-and-white reproductions of every painting done during this period with a detailed history of each.

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Graphic History of Architecture by John Mansbridge. (Viking Press, \$9.95.) Drawings covering the whole of western architecture from ancient Greece to present-day buildings—along with ground plans and architectural details.

The Essential Japanese House. Photographs by Yukio Futagawa, text, Teiji Itoh. (Harper & Row, \$25.) A feast of superb photographs, the book surveys pre-1860 Japanese houses, all singularly beautiful.

The Masters' Book of Ikèbana edited by Donald Richie & Meredith Weatherby. (Published in Japan, distributed by N. Y. Graphic Society, \$32.50.) Subtitled "Background and Principles of Japanese Flower Arrangement," this is an authoritative—and extremely beautiful—guide. Most of

the book is devoted to the history and development of Ikèbana, but the final chapters present the masters of the three great schools of floral arrangement and give instructions for reproducing their work. Our choice for *the* blockbuster of the year!

The Finest Rooms in France by the editors of our French cousin, Maison et Jardin. (Viking Press, \$27.50.) Just what the title says it is. Chosen and illustrated with exquisite taste.

The World of Children. (Published by Paul Hamlyn, London, distributed by N. Y. Graphic Society, \$25.) The work of over 100 distinguished photographers, in color and black and white, plus perceptive essays by ten outstanding authors—all dealing with the development and fabulous world of children.

American Furniture: Queen Anne and Chippendale Periods, 1725-1788, by Joseph Downs. (Viking Press, \$25.) A new edition of the 1952 book on the furniture collection at Winterthur. Precise descriptions and detailed photographs of each piece; color photographs showing some of the furniture in room settings.

Food and Drink

It is an old truism that too many cooks are disastrous; it is also a truism that it is impossible to have too many cook books. So each year's batch makes most welcome gifts or additions to your own culinary library. Among the recent cook books of more than passing interest are:

Michael Field's Culinary Classics and Improvisations (Knopf, \$6.95). To say that Mr. Field, noted for his cooking classes, deals with the subject of leftovers gives little indication of the scope and inventiveness of this book. In each case, he starts with his culinary classic, whether fish, fowl, or meat, then spins off up to a dozen delicious sequels—a salmon-filled roulade, turkey Trazzini, a pâté of pot roast.

House & Garden's New Cook Book (Simon & Schuster, \$9.95 pre-publication; \$12.50 thereafter). Culled from the pages of H&G, over 1,000 recipes by some of the greatest culinary authorities of our day—Julia Child, Dione Lucas, Craig Claiborne, James Beard, and others. Lavishly illustrated, easy to follow, the recipes run the

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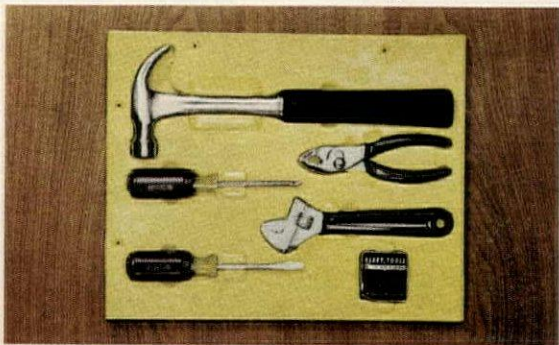




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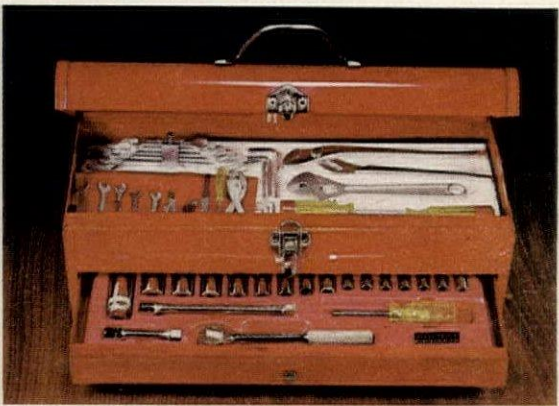


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Twice each year New York becomes a city of heady enchantment, equal to any of the great romantic cities of the world. The first is during the few days of delicious spring that are allotted to it, and the other is during the all-too-short Christmas season. At Christmas time, the city dresses up; it hides its dirt and shabbiness behind glitter and ornament and colored light; its trees, on the avenues, are aglow, and, in the parks, with luck, are tinged with white. New Yorkers shed their traditional indifference to each other and (except at store counters during the height of the shopping season) there is a feeling of friendliness and warmth and happiness—as tangible in this big city as in the smallest, most neighborly hamlet. The mood does not last. But it is here to enjoy for a few weeks and there is plenty to see, to do, to attend, to make the Christmas season a pleasure for both New Yorkers and visitors.

"Caroling free, singing our song of God"

Christmas is a time of music. In churches, concert halls, even department stores and Grand Central Station, the joyous sound of caroling is heard. And somewhere in this vast megalopolis you can count on being able to hear the exact piece of Christmas music you are interested in, from Handel's *Messiah* to the most obscure medieval motets. For instance:

The Play of Herod and The Play of Daniel. The New York Pro Musica Society will give seven performances each of these two twelfth-century musical dramas. *Herod* will be presented December 13 at 9:15 P.M. and December 14 through 16 at 7:00 and 9:15 P.M.; *Daniel*, December 20 at 9:15 P.M. and December 21 through 24 at 7:00 and 9:15 P.M. All performances will be at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 145 West Forty-sixth Street. Tickets will be sold only by mail. Write the New York Pro Musica, 300 West End Ave., New York, 10023.

L'Enfance du Christ by Hector Berlioz. Performed by the Little Orchestra Society. December 17 at 2:30 P.M. Brooklyn Academy of Music.

Fifteenth-century Flemish Christmas music will be presented by the New York Pro Musica at 2:30 P.M. on December 21 and 22 at the Cloisters, the medieval department of the Metropolitan Museum, in Ft. Tryon Park.

A series of Christmas choral programs will be given by Ivy League College glee clubs at The

Forum in the new Madison Square Garden from December 13 through December 21. The schools represented will be Princeton, Yale, Brown, Cornell, Dartmouth, Columbia, Pennsylvania, Harvard—a different choir at each performance.

"Deck the halls with boughs of holly"

Christmas is the time when ingenious display men try to outdo each other in creating a world of Yuletide fantasy. From the titanic Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center to the Never-Never-Land of department-store windows, there are lavish creations to enchant children and adults alike. For example:

At the Hallmark Gallery, Fifth Ave. and Fifty-sixth St., the Christmas exhibit will consist of a collection of twenty decorated trees each representing the personal taste of a famous personality—Rex Harrison, Leontyne Price, Coco Chanel, Truman Capote, Charles Schulz, Beni Montessor among them. Starting with design ideas or motifs suggested by the celebrity, the gallery's designers have decorated a tree to suit his taste. The exhibition will run from November 29 through December 29 and admission is free.

At Rockefeller Center, the tree-lighting ceremonies will take place on Thursday, December 7. The tree will remain on view, overlooking the golden Prometheus and the color-filled ice-skating rink through January 1. This year's tree, a 65-foot-high balsam from Vermont, has a branch spread of 40 feet. More than 6

miles of wiring are used for the thousands of lights. The channel gardens leading down the promenade to the ice-skating rink will once again be specially decorated for Christmas, and there will be caroling from time to time.

Museums, galleries, department stores, office buildings (Lever House, the Pan-American Building, Union-Carbide Building, etc.) even restaurants, all have special exhibitions to tie in with the holiday season. Among them:

At the Cloisters, a Medieval Christmas crèche, a special arrangement of fifteenth-century sculpture depicting the Three Kings and the Madonna and Child, and a Christmas garden.

At the Museum of Modern Art, December 12 to January 23, an exhibit of modern religious prints, beginning with a 100-year-old lithograph of "The Good Samaritan" and including about fifty-five prints by thirty-five artists—Matisse, Dine, Ensor, Chagall, Rouault, Picasso, and others.

At the Associated American Artists gallery from November 27 to December 30, the thirty-third annual Christmas Gift Show containing more than 200 original etchings, lithographs, and woodcuts. Prices start as low as \$15.

At the Newark Museum, Newark, N. J., from November 17 to January 2, a display of Christmas gift suggestions.

At Luchow's Restaurant, 110 East Fourteenth St., the largest indoor Christmas tree in New York, aglow with 1,000 lights, trimmed with 1,000 charming old-fashioned

ornaments. Under the tree is a Christmas fantasy handcarved by the woodworkers of Oberammergau, including more than 100 brilliantly painted figures, each carved from a single piece of wood—the Three Kings with their retinue, the Virgin, the newborn Child, the adoring shepherds and so forth. At 7:00 P.M. each night the lights are dimmed, the tree blazes into light, and the string orchestra plays "Stille Nacht" and other traditional carols. Early reservations are requested. Telephone GR 7-4860. Closed Mondays.

The department stores go all out to create a veritable phantasmagoria of sights and sounds. No expense is spared—the wreaths, the bells, the ornaments, the spangles are everywhere. Santa is on his throne, God is in his heaven, and all's right with the world. The Lord & Taylor windows, traffic-stoppers every year, will be unveiled December 8. As part of their indoor Christmas display, Stern's will have a charming life-size "Doll Inn" plus mechanical rides and refreshments. F.A.O. Schwarz—every child's idea of heaven—will have 10,000 different toys from throughout the world, a continuous marionette show, and a slide from the third to second floor—for children and ebullient mothers. The Christmas windows at Abraham & Straus in Brooklyn will contain animated children of every nationality, each in his traditional costume.

"And I wrote my happy songs/ Every child may joy to hear"

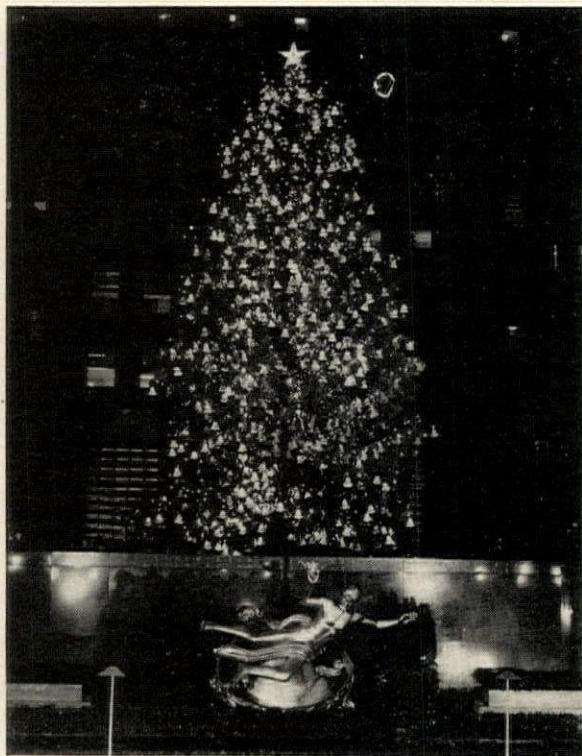
Christmas is a time when children are the affectionate concern of everyone—even the Scroogiest. Since this includes the entrepreneurs, special performances for the pre-miniskirt set are scheduled:

A Christmas Masque. Actors, dancers, music, slides. 1:00 and 3:00 P.M. Metropolitan Museum of Art. December 28.

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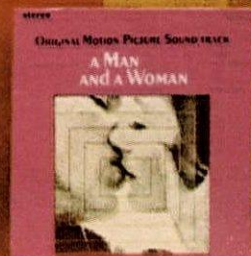
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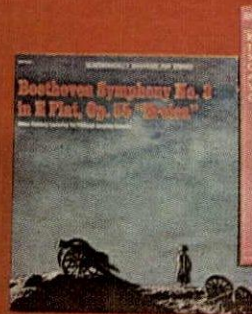


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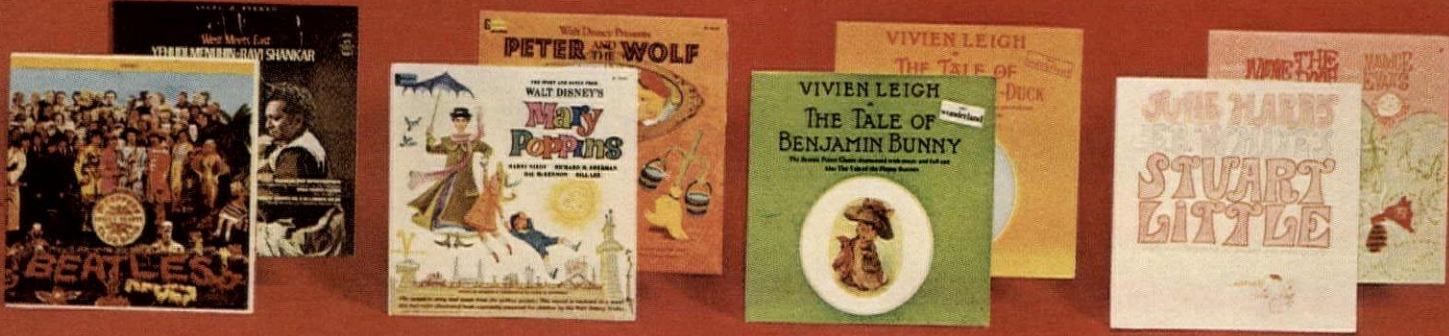
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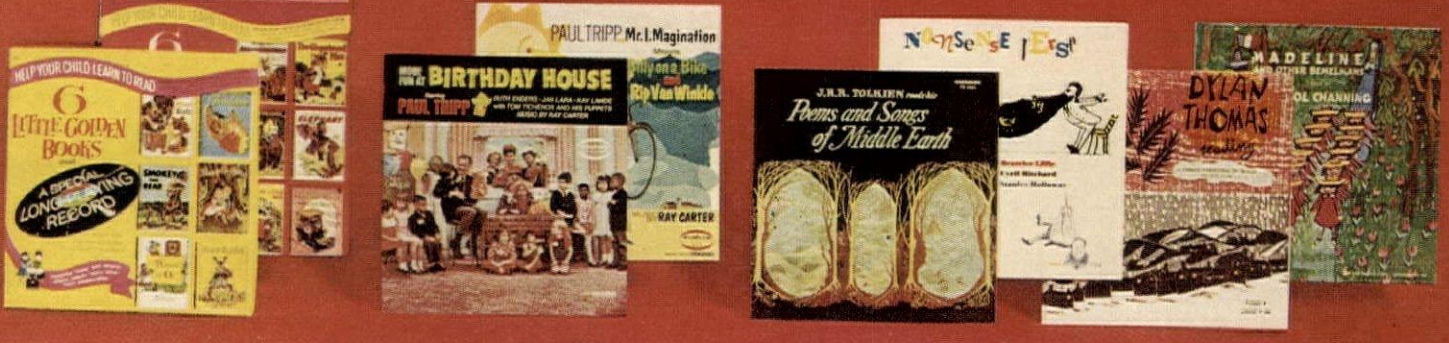
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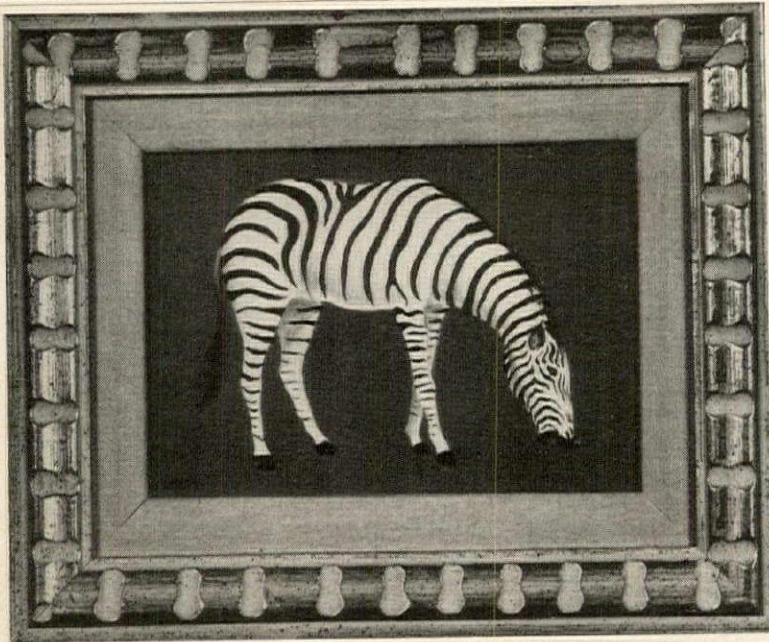
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For traditional Scandinavian Christmas foods, including a wide selection of delicious sweet Christmas breads, try Nyborg & Nelson, 937 Second Ave., and for marzipan, marzipan, and more marzipan in every conceivable shape and color, investigate the Elk Candy Co. at 240 East Eighty-sixth St. In addition to marzipan, this little store, specializing in German confections, also has unusual candies and cookies.

H&G's Christmas Gift Cook Book (see pages 173-182) suggests making samplers of unusual, non-run-of-the-mill cheeses, sausages, nuts, or other delicacies. Herewith a directory where some of these hard-to-find treats can be purchased:

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"Oh tannenbaum, my tannenbaum"

Christmas is the time for decorating the tree (see pages 158-159 for H&G's harvest of ornaments) and much of the success of your efforts depends on how symmetrical and full a tree you have bought. If you are nostalgic for the good-old-days when you went out and chopped down your own (or aghast at the high price of trees in the city and the scraggly, lopsided ones you often have to settle for), consult C. B. Hutchinson's *Evergreens* near Cranbury, N. J. Connoisseurs arrive as early as September to choose their trees, which are tagged for cutting when the owner wishes them, and some families have been going to Mr. Hutchinson for three generations. Trees are tagged one of three ways: to be cut, to be dug up complete with roots, so they may be planted in the owners' gardens, or for the purchaser to dig up himself. The price is \$1 a foot for those who want to cut their own trees (part of the Christmas tradition but backbreaking); \$1.35 if Mr. Hutchinson's men cut them. During the season more than 2500 trees are sold. C. B. Hutchinson's *Evergreens* is 3 miles from the No. 8 exit of the New Jersey Turnpike.

If you do not want to cut your own, but would like a large selection of Christmas trees to choose from, plus practically every other kind of Christmas greenery—wreaths, sprigs, holly, poinsettia, mistletoe, or what-you-will—you might try Arcadia Gardens in the Garden State Plaza shopping center near Paramus, N. J., at the juncture of Routes 4 and 17.

"Jolly good book, whereon to look"

And Christmas is the time for giving. A spate of books dealing with New York, its past and present, has been published recently. Any one of them would make a happy present for your Gothamite friends and neighbors.

For anyone who enjoys nostalgia, there are two gems to be had this year: *Lost New York* by Nathan Silver (Houghton Mifflin, \$12.50 through Dec. 31, \$15 thereafter). A survey, masterfully illustrated, of fascinating old buildings—some beautiful, some grotesque, some outlandish—all of which have disappeared from the New York scene leaving the city a little more impoverished with the rasing

of each. *Portal to America: The Lower East Side, 1870-1925*. Edited by Allon Schoener (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, \$12.95). A chronicle, with wonderful old photographs, of life among the immigrants who settled in the renowned tenement district of New York. The subject matter is not exactly Christmas-like—but the indomitable spirit of the people, their gaiety amid poverty, their determination to find the good life, all shine through the book and its pictures making it an exhilarating experience.

Among the raft of New York guidebooks that have appeared, two are delightfully off-beat. The first is *Central Park, a History and a Guide* by Henry Hope Reed (Curator of Central Park) and Sophia Duckworth (Clarkson N. Potter, \$5). This is just what the title says it is, and deliciously illustrated with old prints, photographs, and maps. Anything you may want to know about one of the world's most famous parks is here in this little book—its past, its present layout, its flora and fauna, statues and memorials, recreation facilities—plus suggested walking tours and all vital statistics.

The New York Spy, edited by Alan Rinzler (David White, \$6), is a brash, irreverent, often hilarious, yet informative guide to "Fun City" at its maddest. Each chapter is written by a different "authority" such as Tom Wolfe (Rudeness in New York), Daniel Stern (Jewish New York), Claude Brown (Harlem), Leo Lerman (Men's Shopping) etc. Although the book covers the usual places found in standard guides, it also includes many unconventional and off-the-beaten-track places. It is fun to read, even if you live in New York and know all there is to know about it (you think).

Among this year's batch of large, expensive gift books is *New York; The New Art Scene* with photographs by Ugo Mulas, text by Alan Solomon (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, \$19.95). New York is now the center of the art world and this book is devoted to the artists who live and work here. The photographs, in black and white, are ultra-realistic, startling, and more than a little disconcerting. Seen in their studios are such contemporaries as Duchamp, Dine, Warhol, Oldenburg, Stella, Rosenquist and more. If ever there was a case of one picture being worth a thousand words, this is it. But there is also an introductory text and a discussion of each artist and his work. For the serious student, it is worth reading; for the browser, the book is enthralling because of its lively photographs.

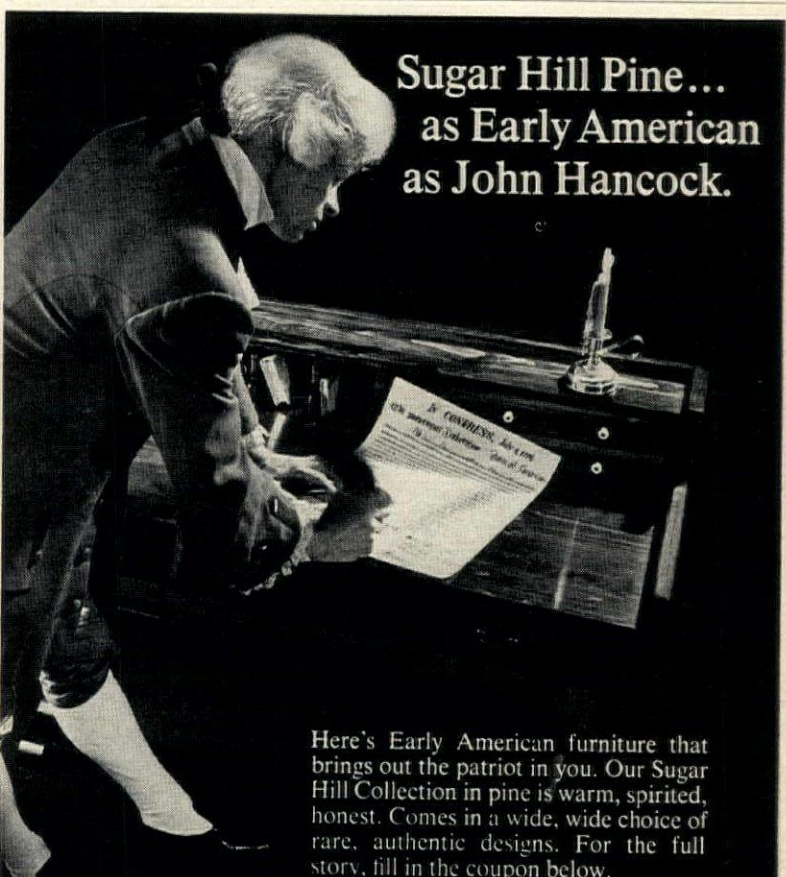


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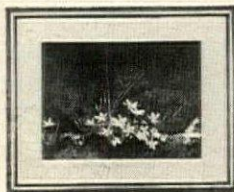
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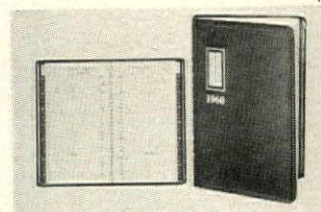


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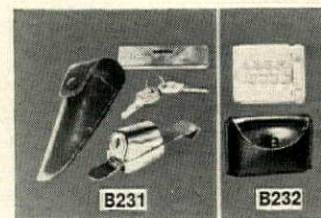


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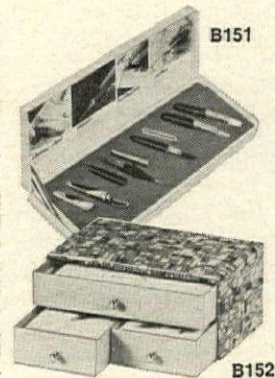
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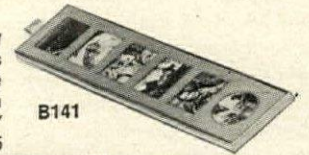
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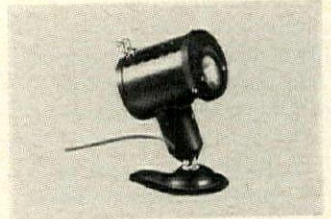


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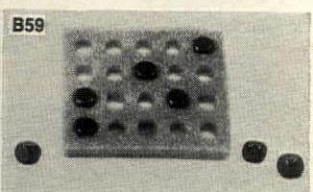
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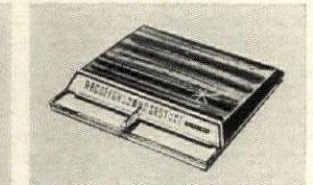
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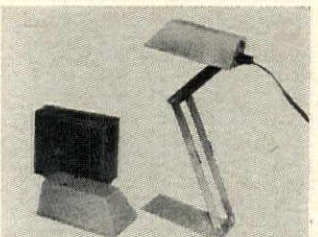
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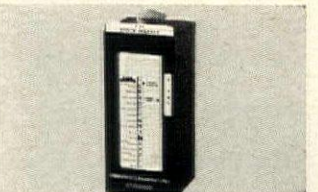
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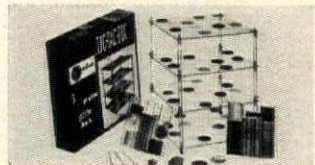
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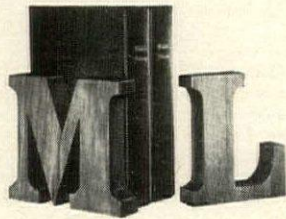
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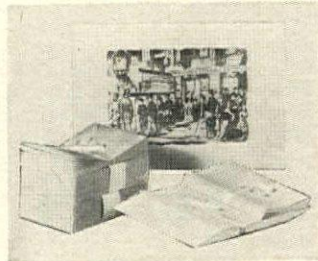
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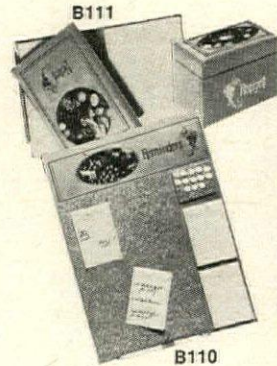
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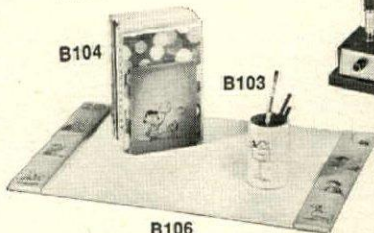


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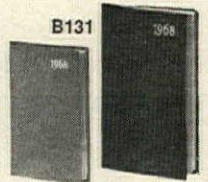


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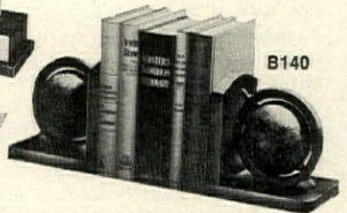
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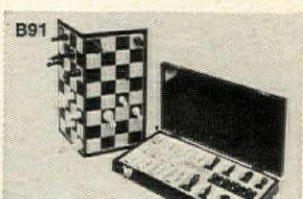
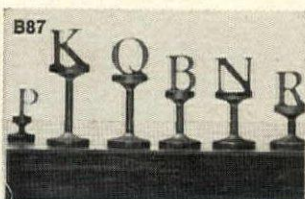
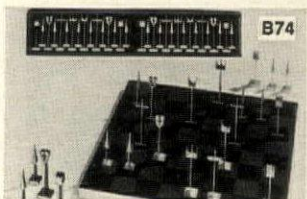
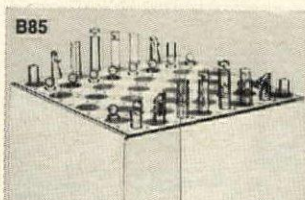
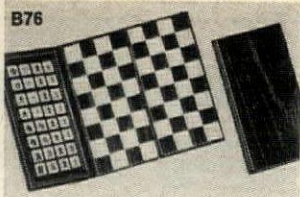
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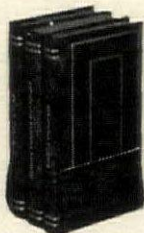
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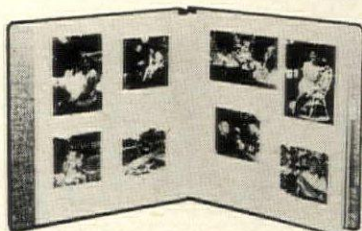
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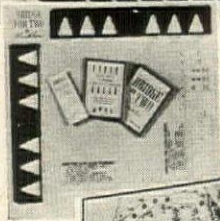
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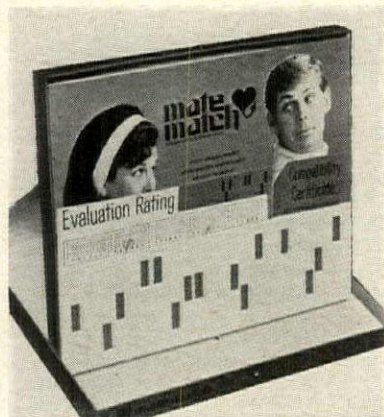
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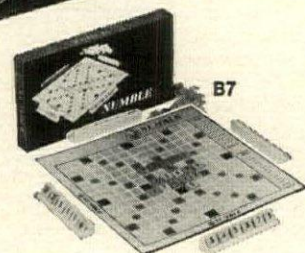
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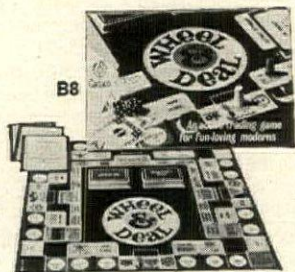
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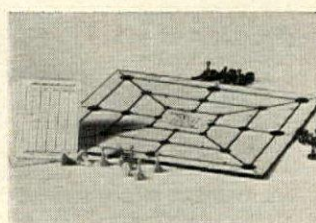
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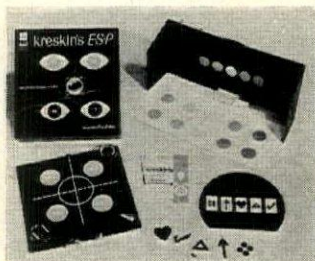
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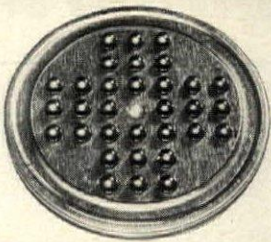


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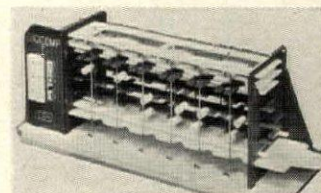
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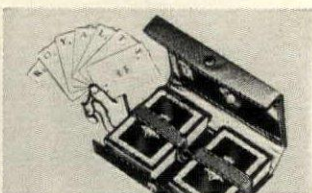
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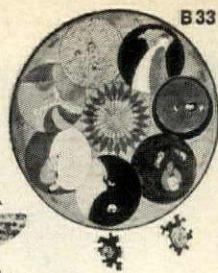
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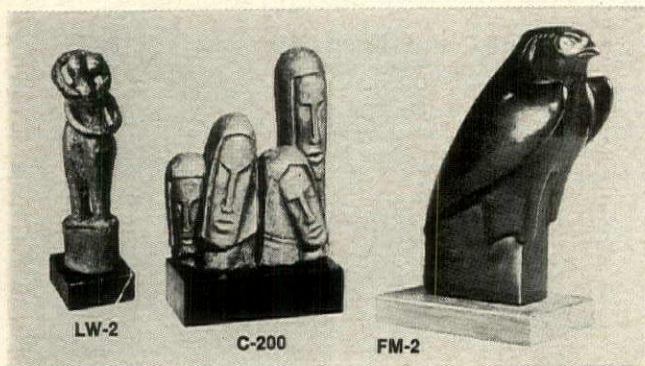
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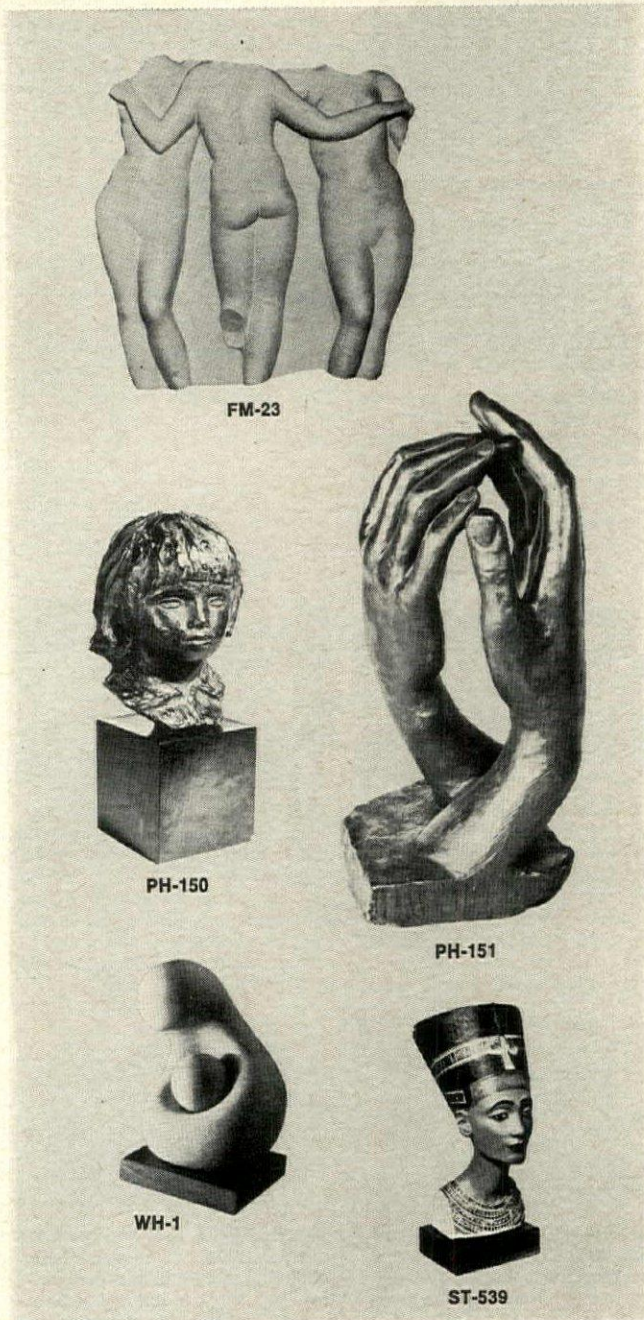
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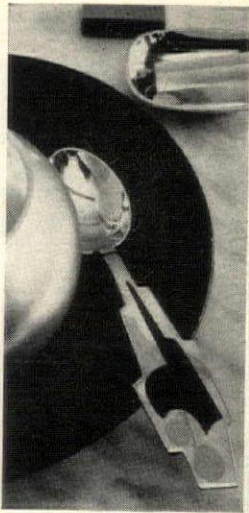
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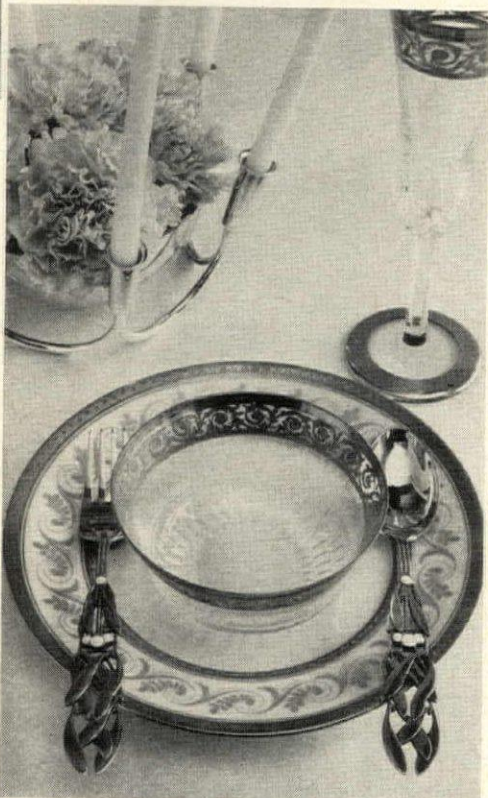
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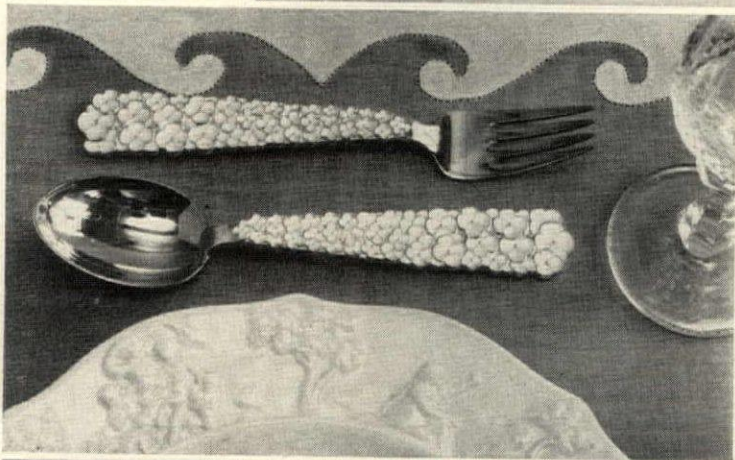
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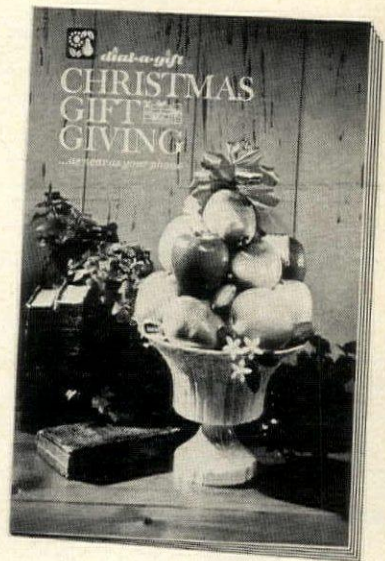
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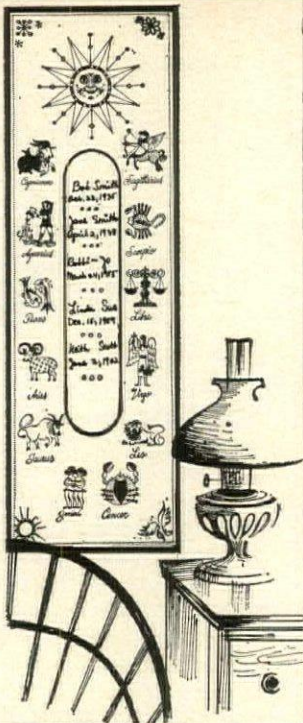
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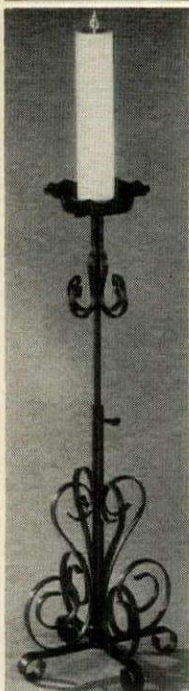
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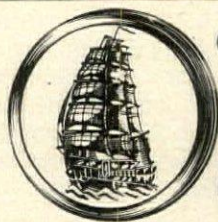
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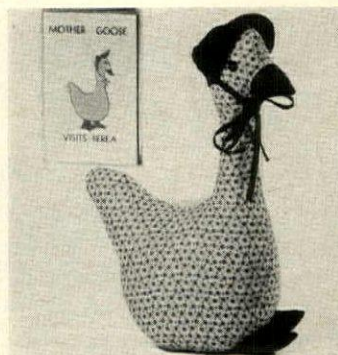
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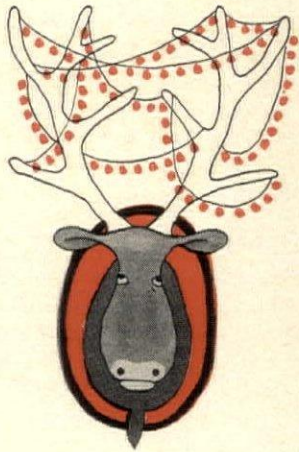
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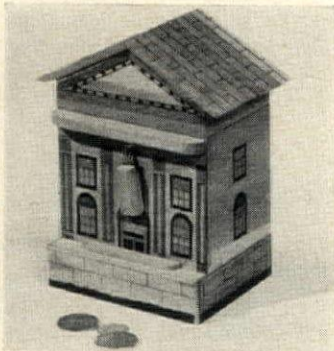
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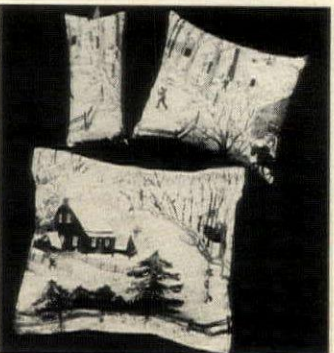
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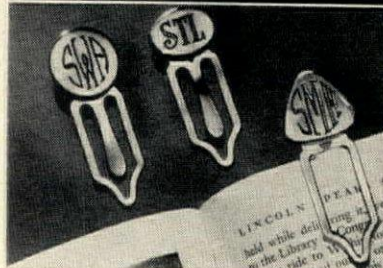


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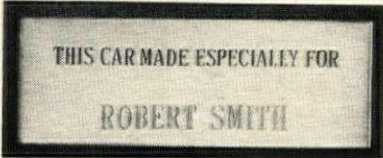
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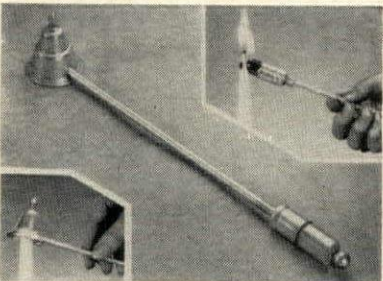
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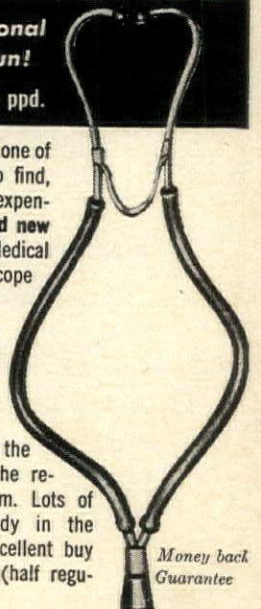
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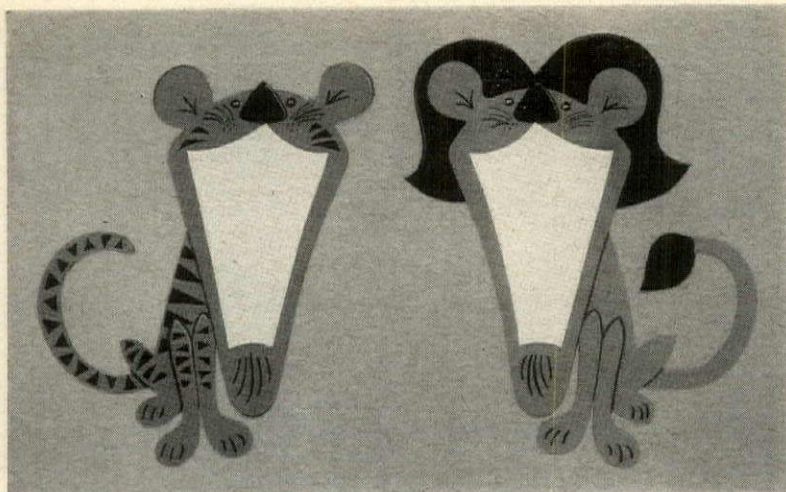
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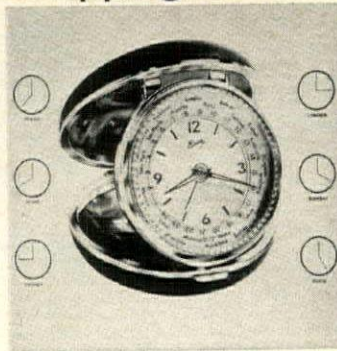


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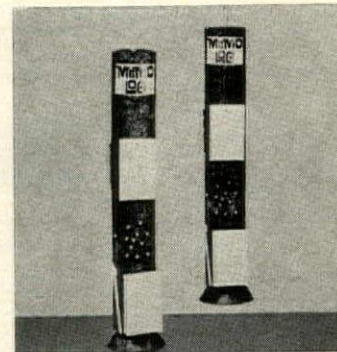
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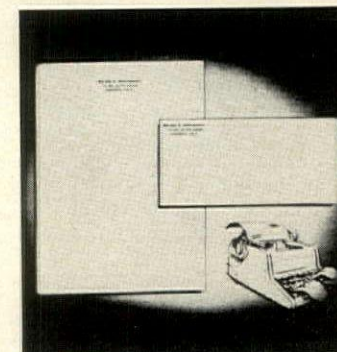
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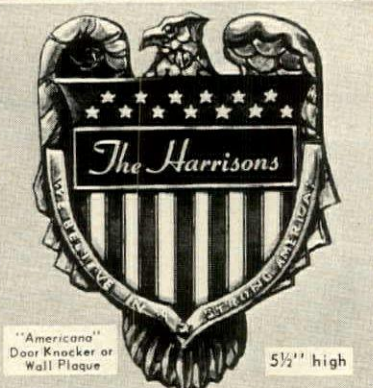
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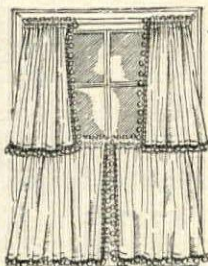
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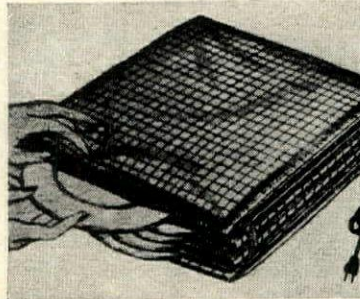
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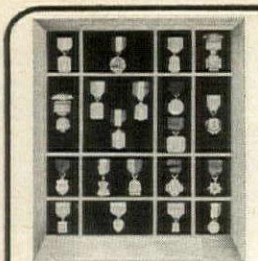
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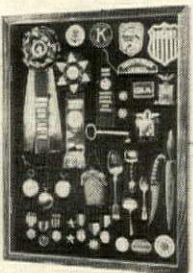
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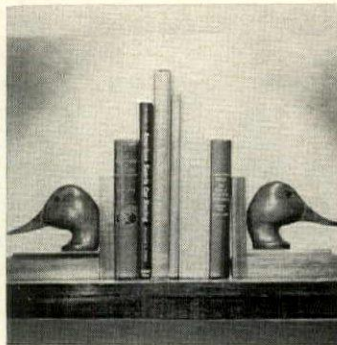
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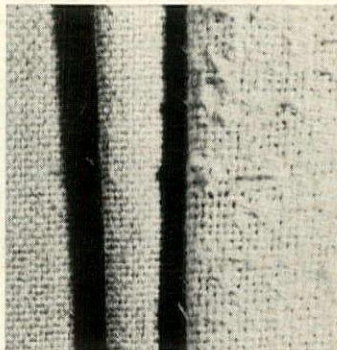
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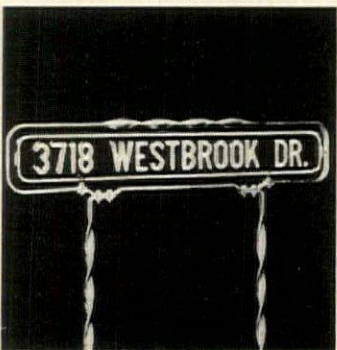
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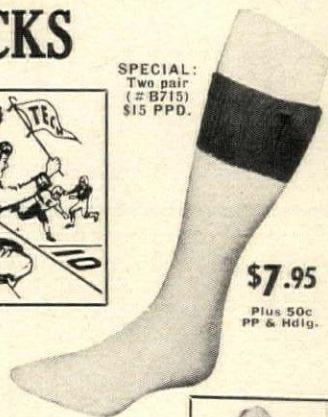
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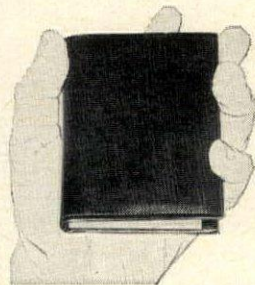


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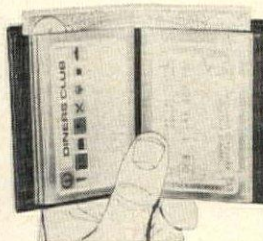
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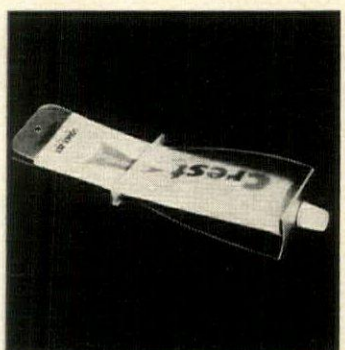
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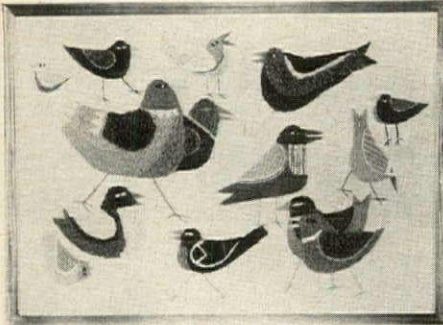
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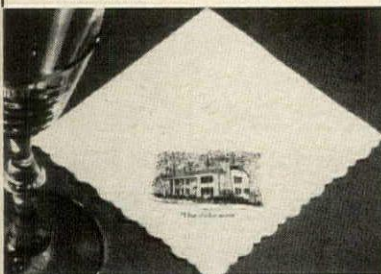
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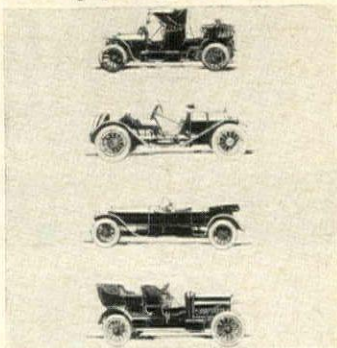
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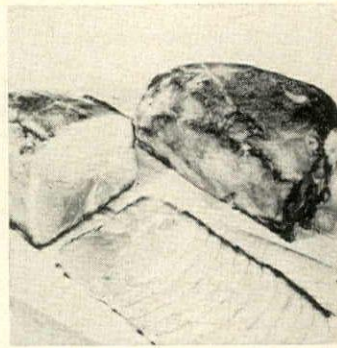
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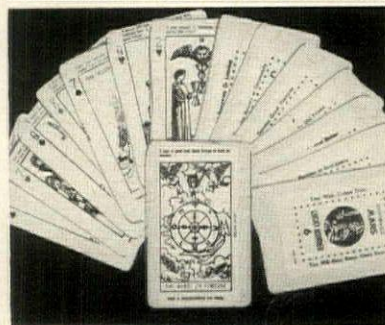
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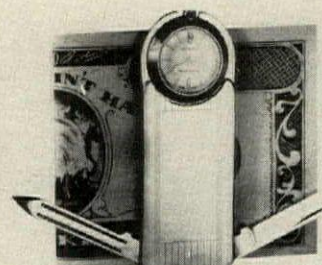
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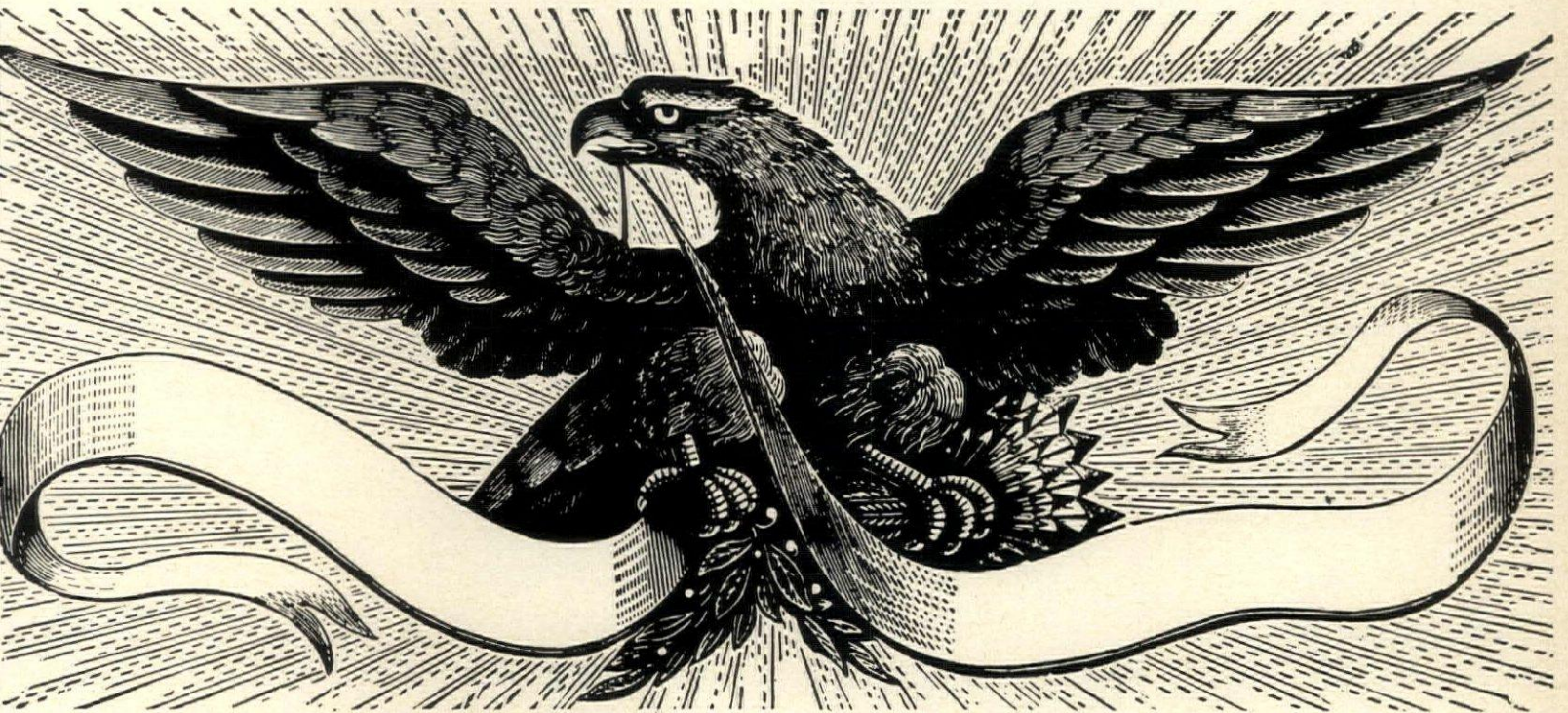
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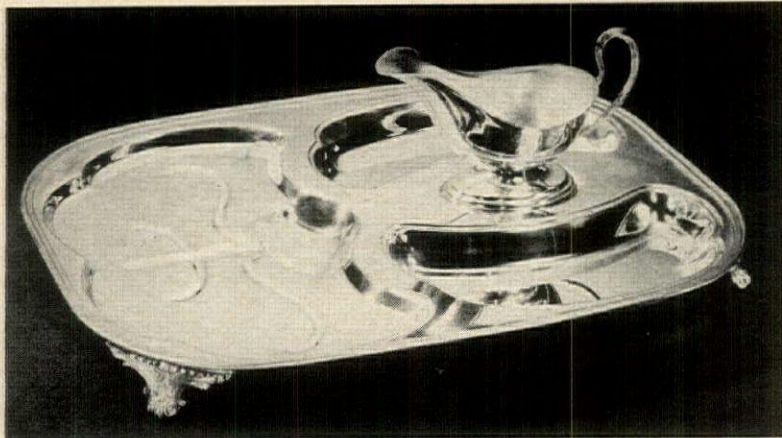
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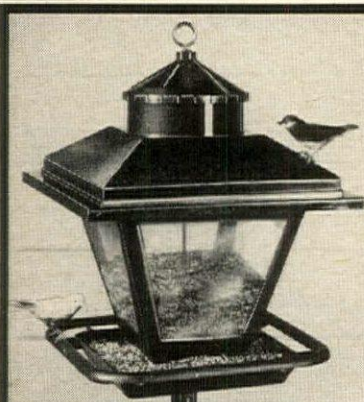
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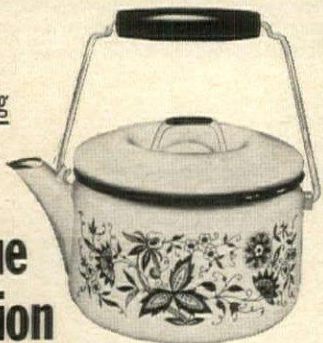
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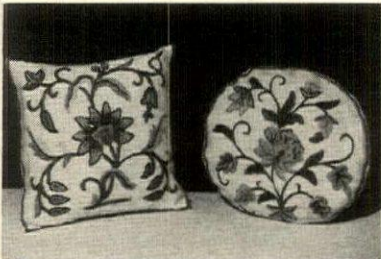
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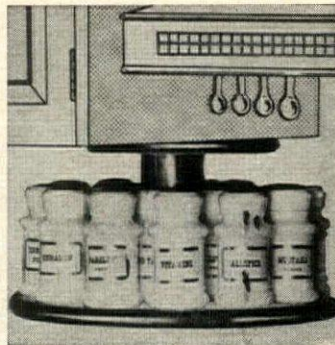
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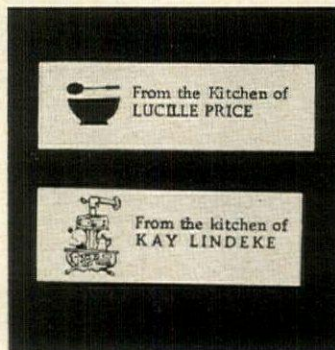
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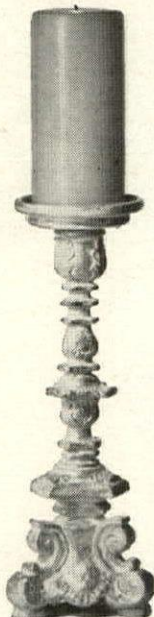
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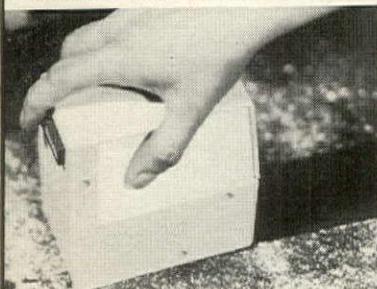
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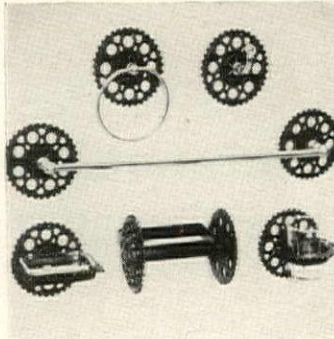
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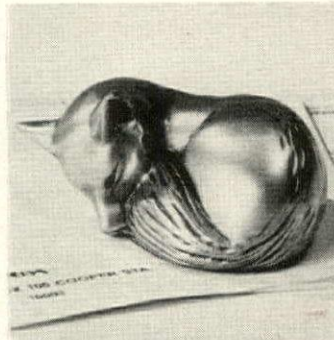
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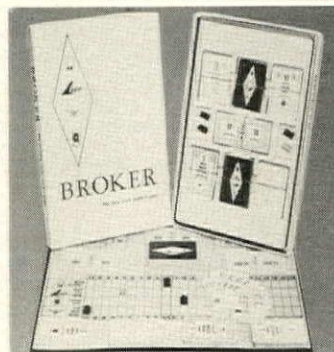
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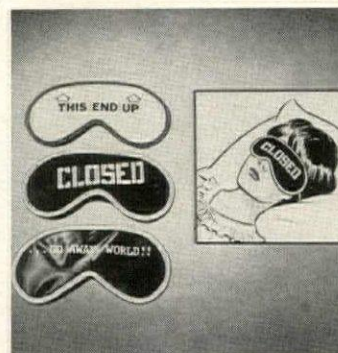
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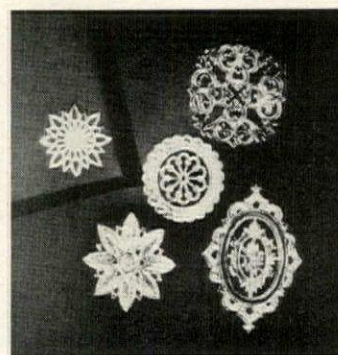
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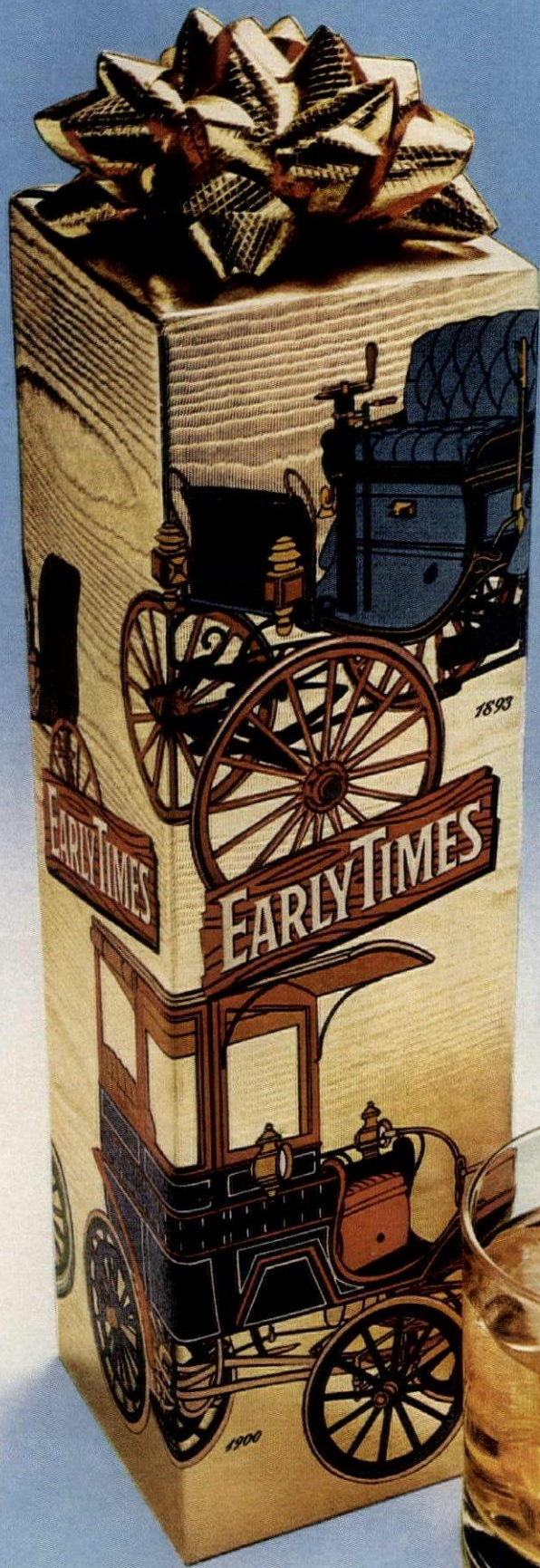
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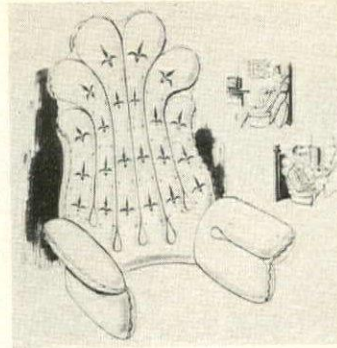
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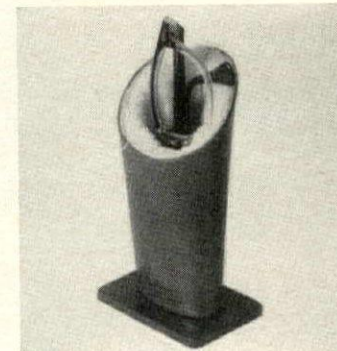
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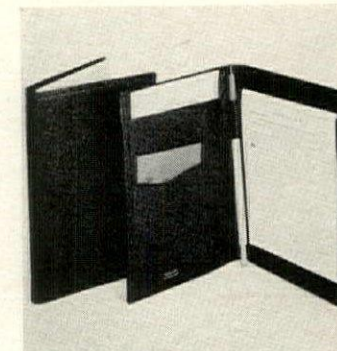
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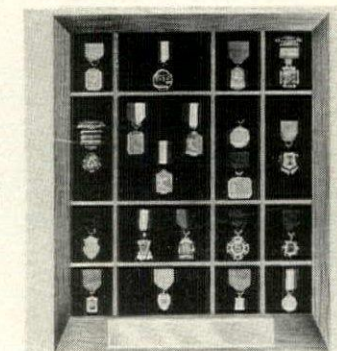
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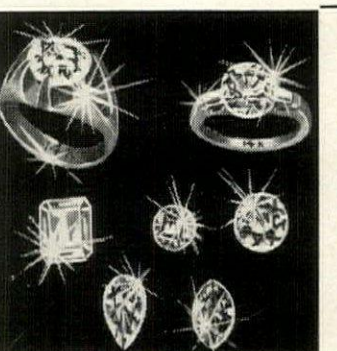
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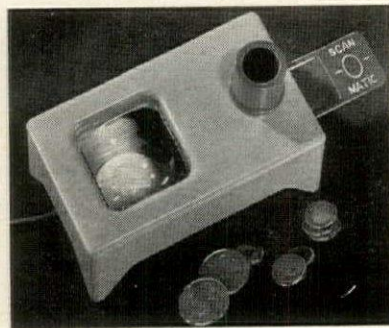


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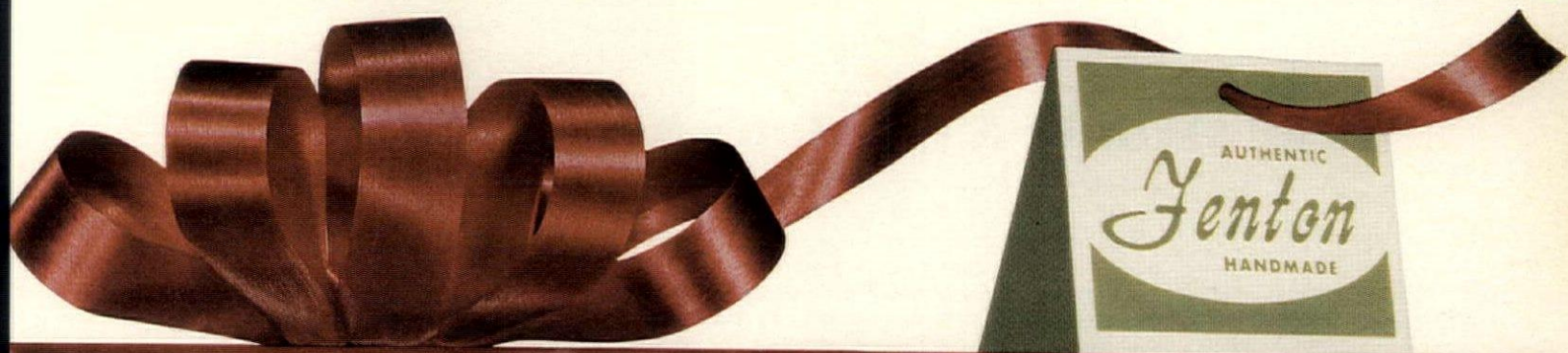
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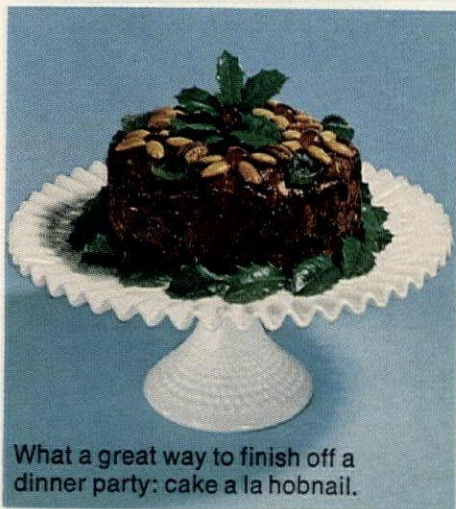
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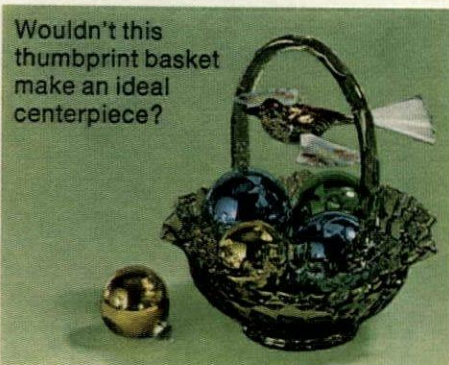


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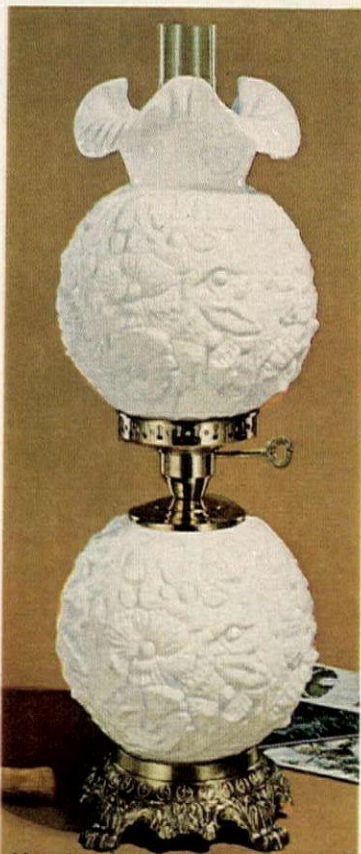


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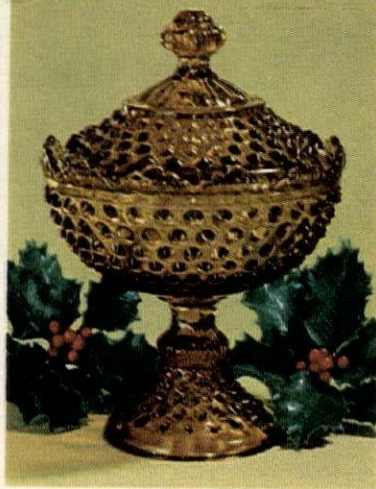


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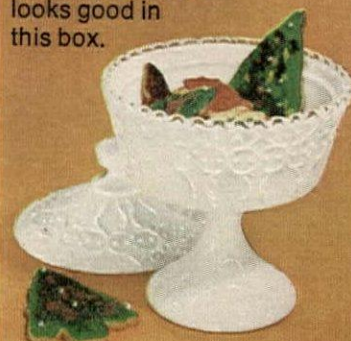


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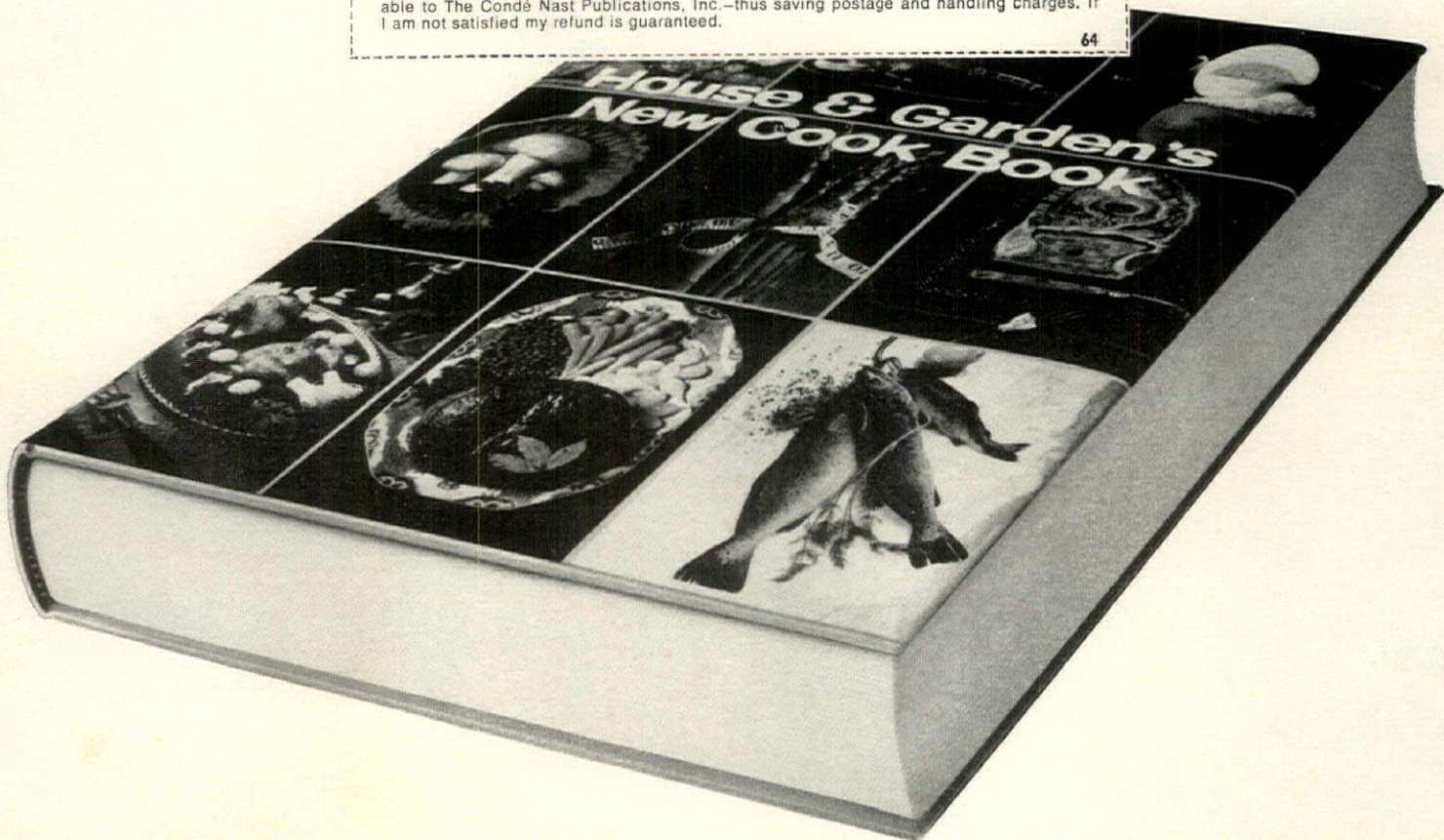
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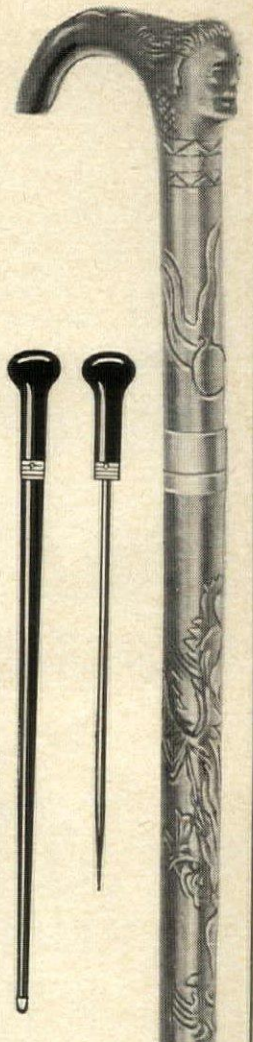
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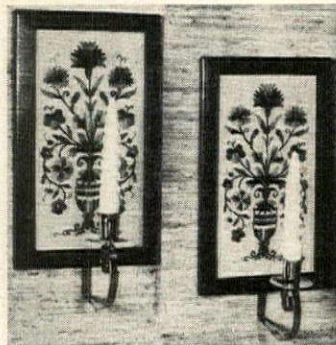
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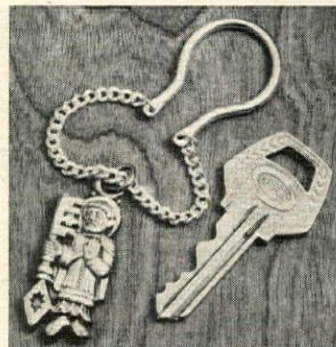
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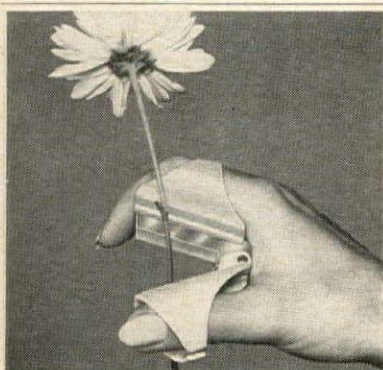
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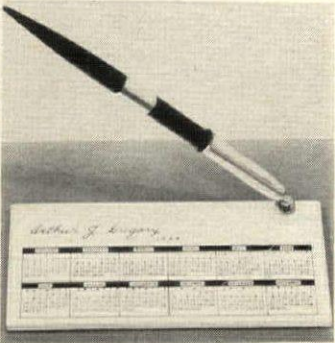
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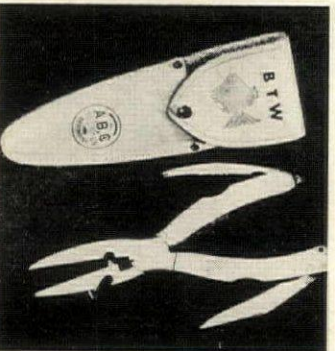
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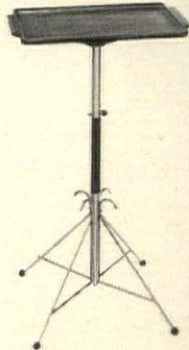
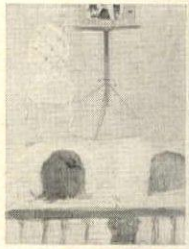
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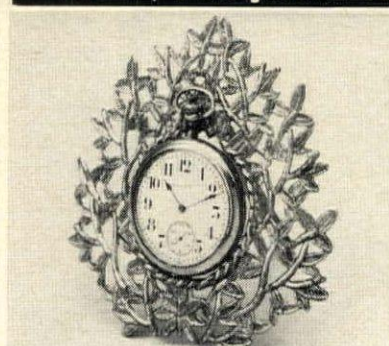
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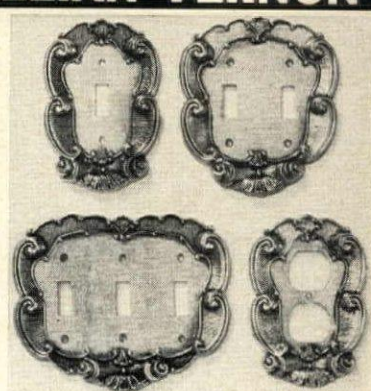
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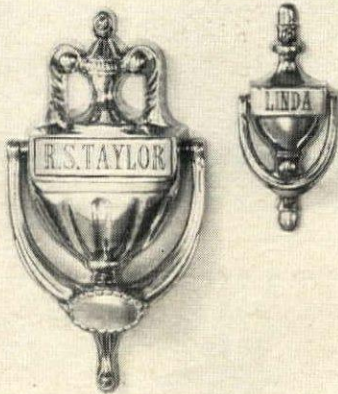
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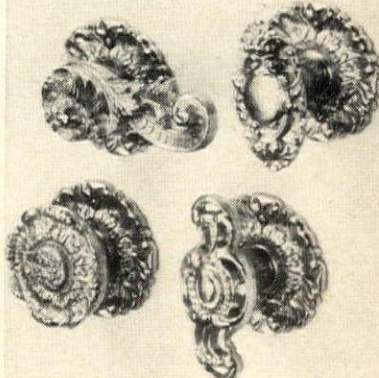
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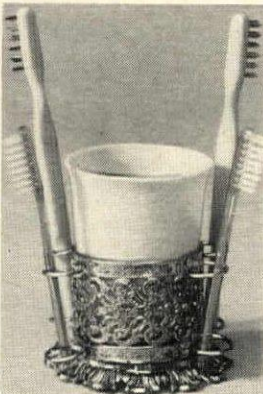


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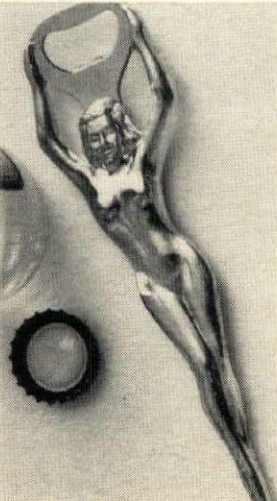
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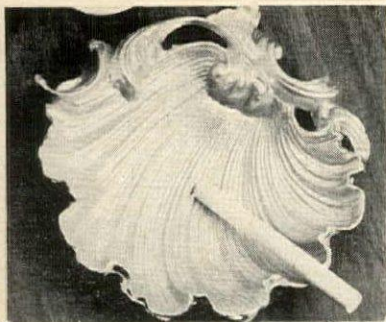
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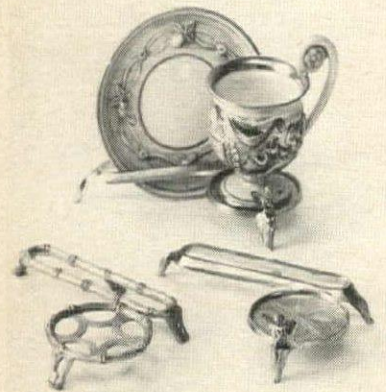
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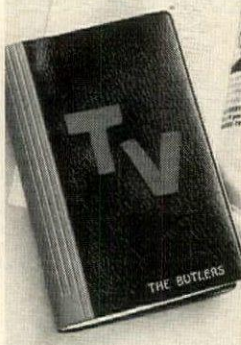
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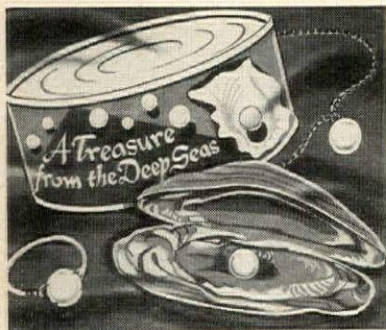
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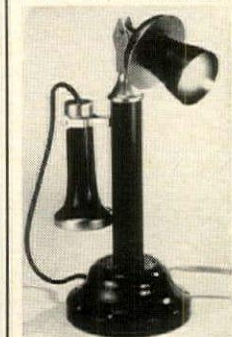
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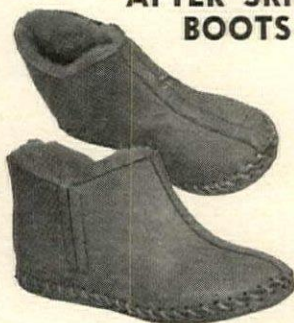
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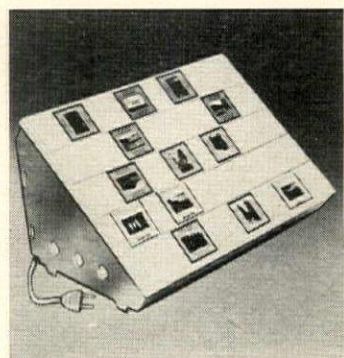
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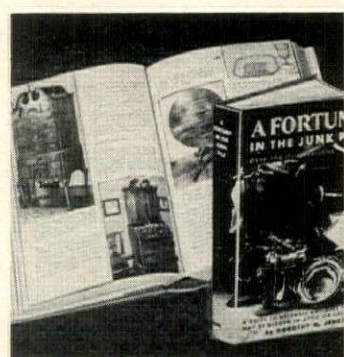
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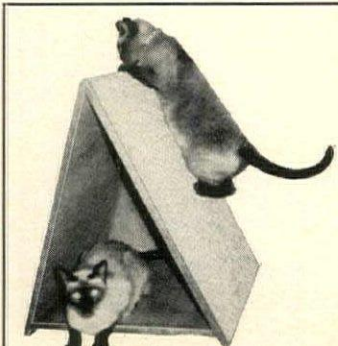
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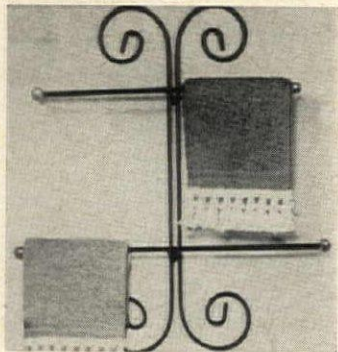
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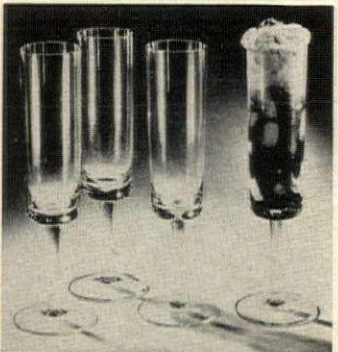
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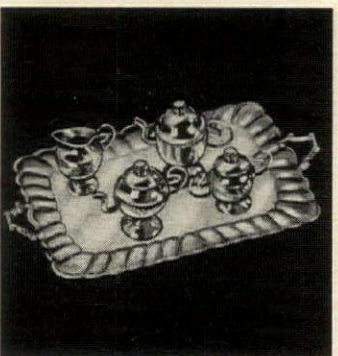
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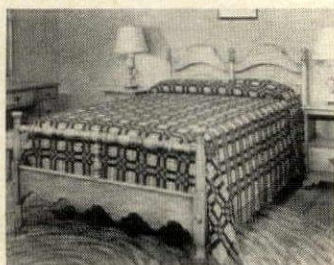
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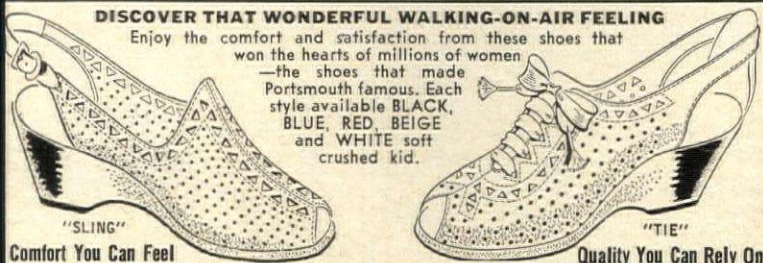
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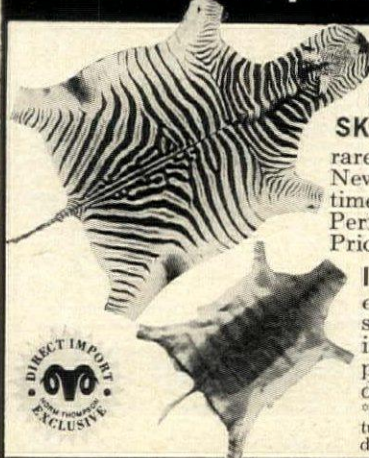
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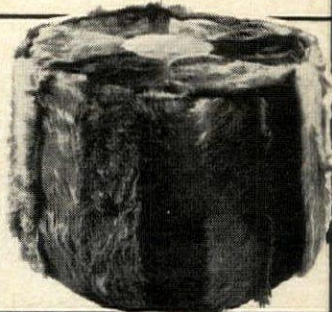
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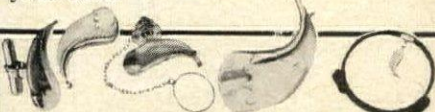
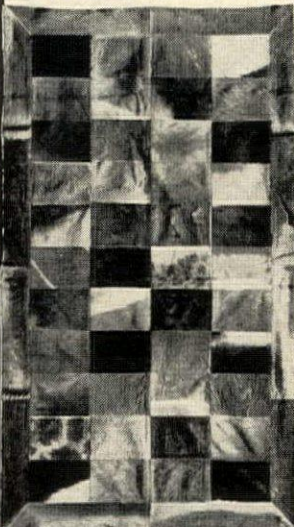
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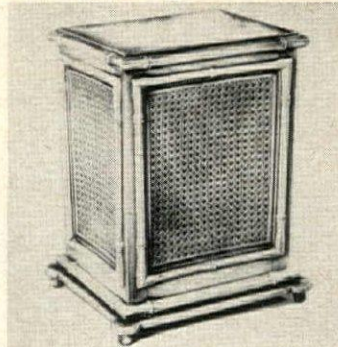
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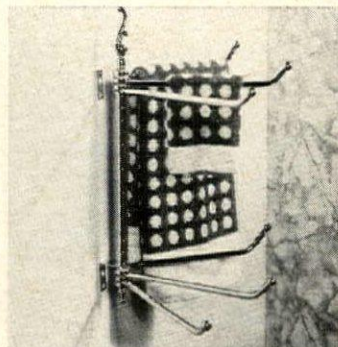
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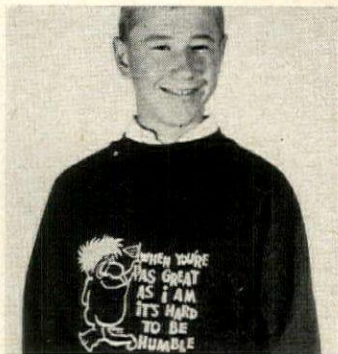
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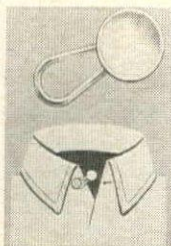


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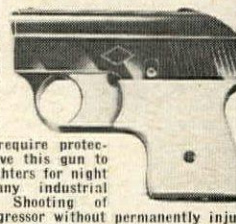
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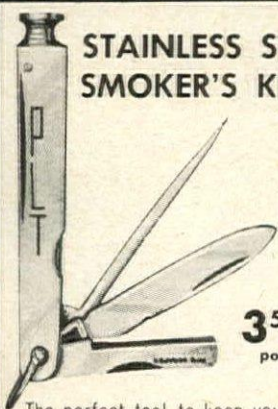
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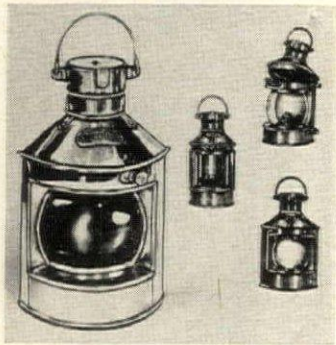
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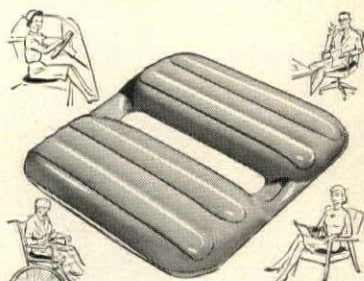
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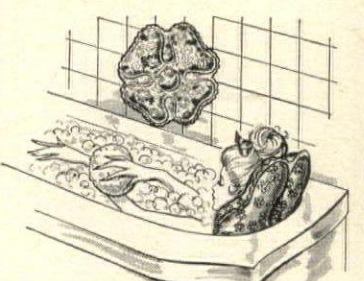
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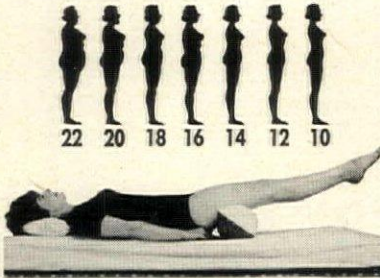
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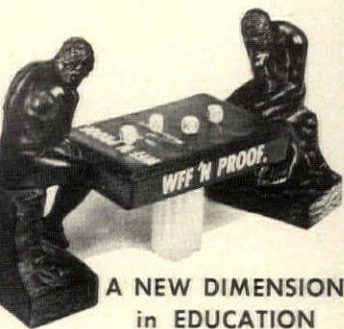
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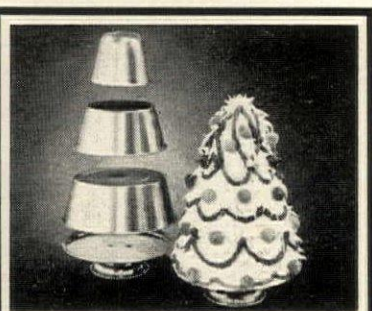


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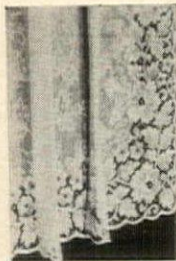
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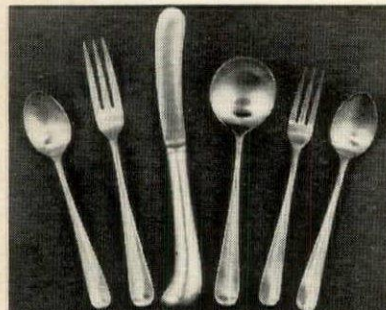
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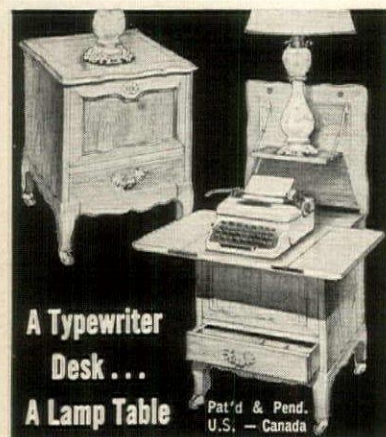
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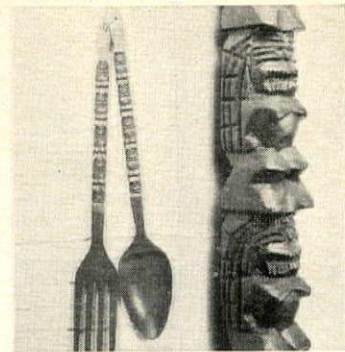
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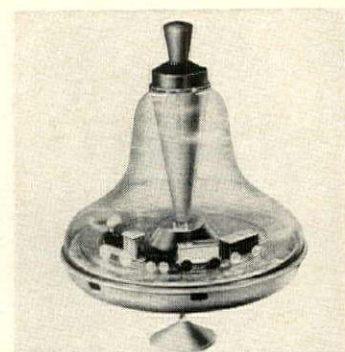
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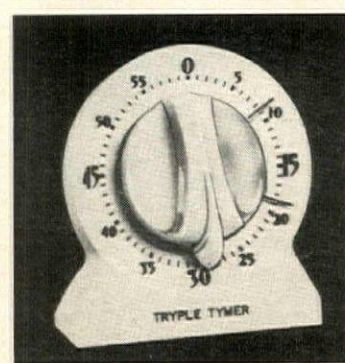
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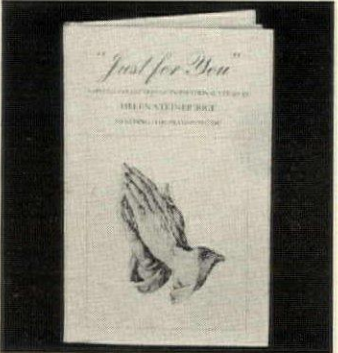
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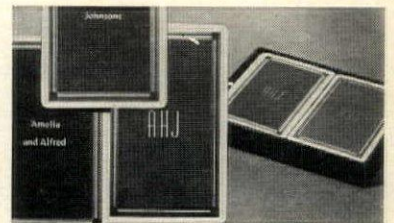
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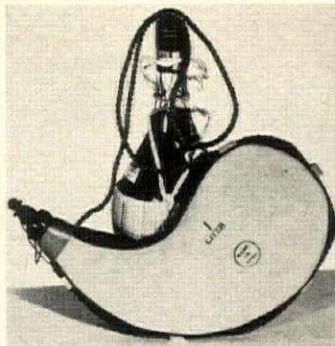
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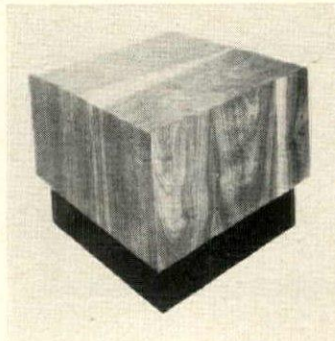
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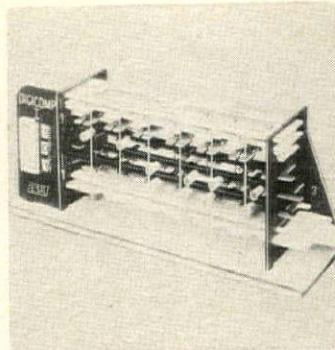
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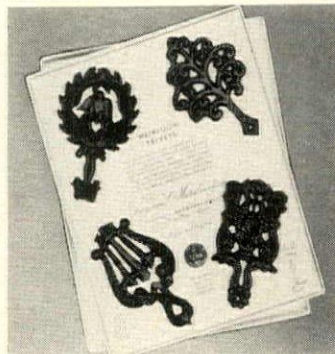
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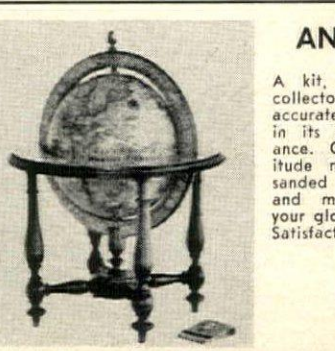
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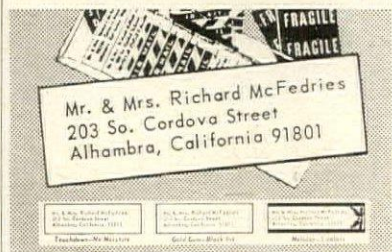
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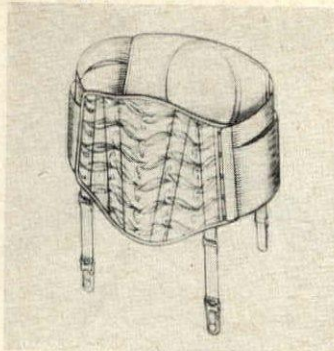
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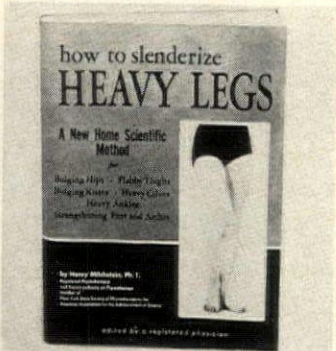
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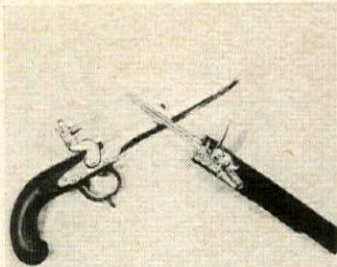
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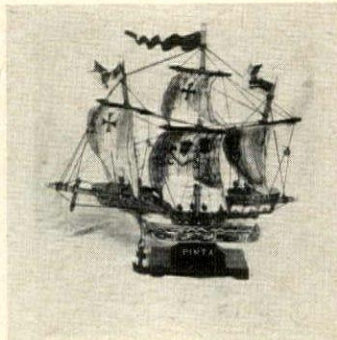
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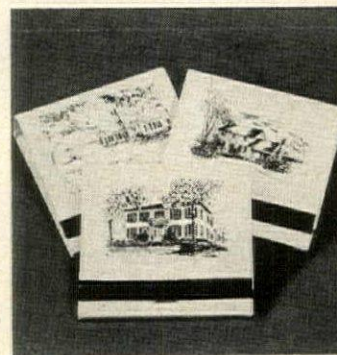
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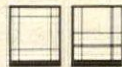
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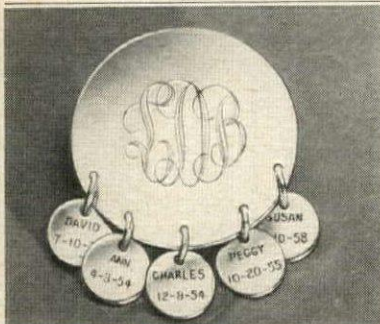
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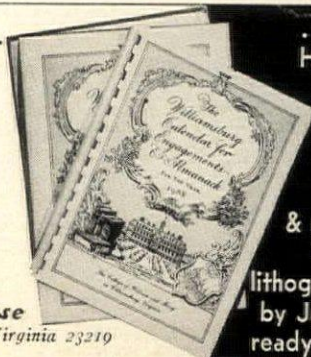
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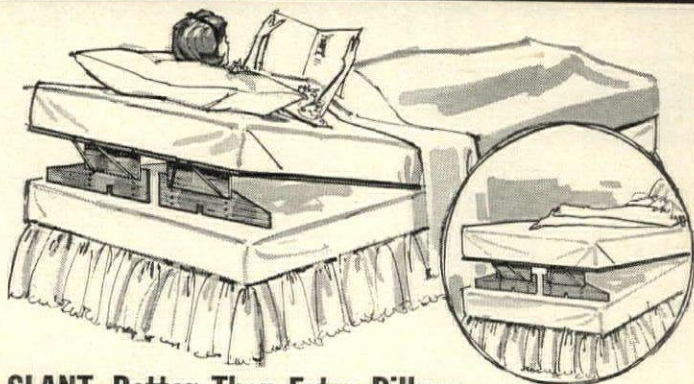
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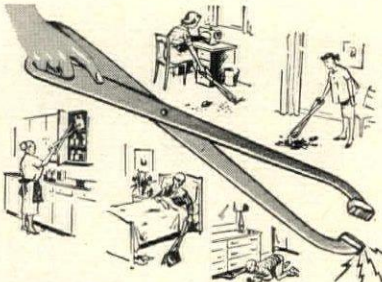
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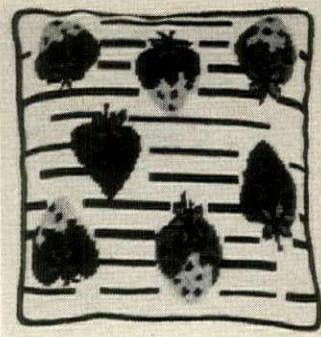
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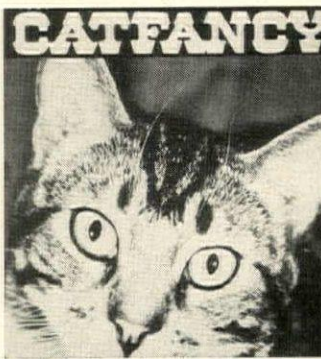
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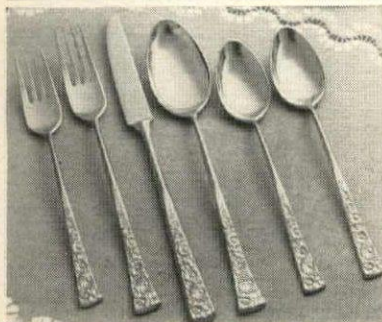
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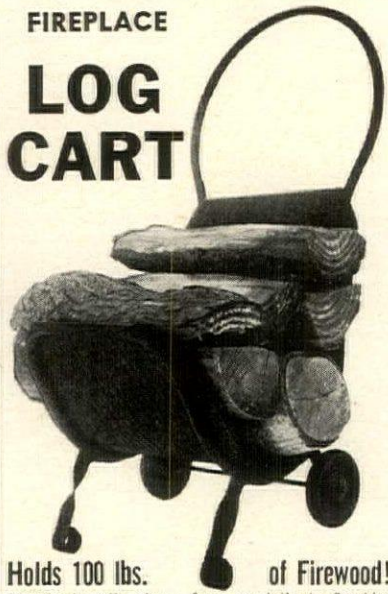


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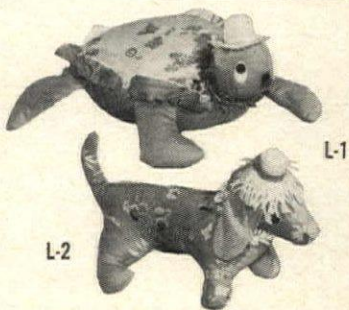
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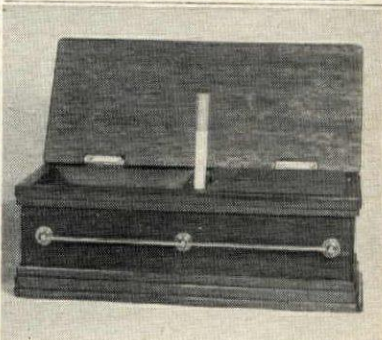
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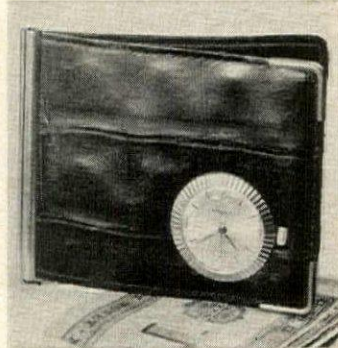
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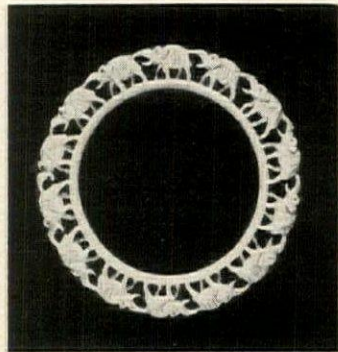
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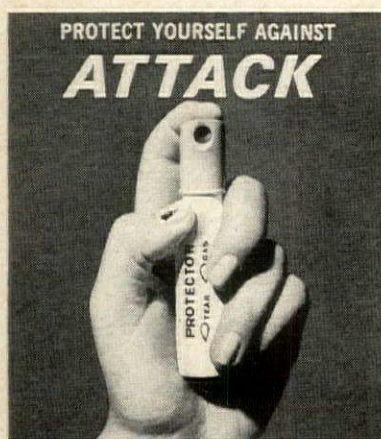
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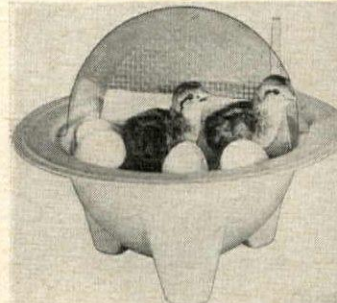
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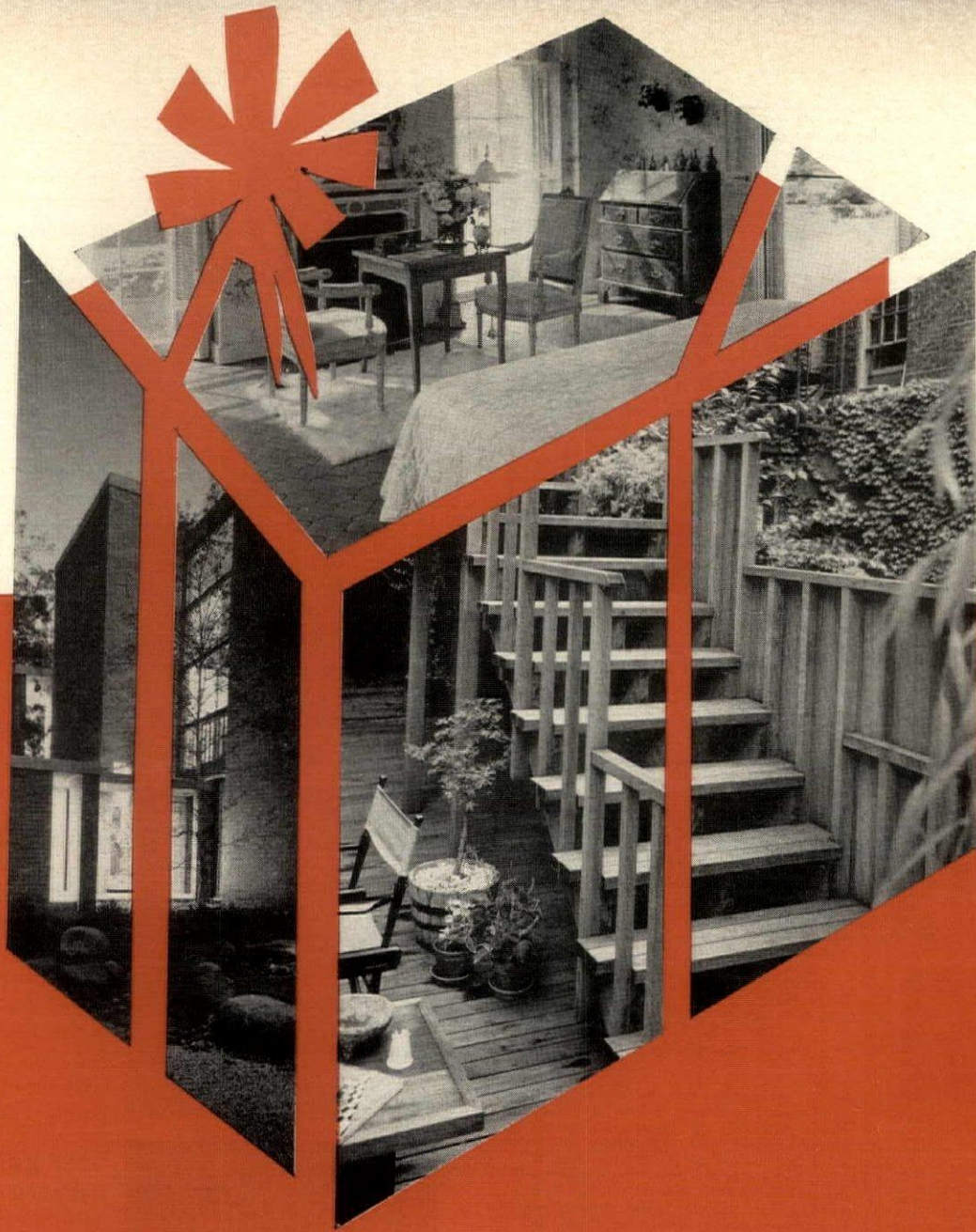


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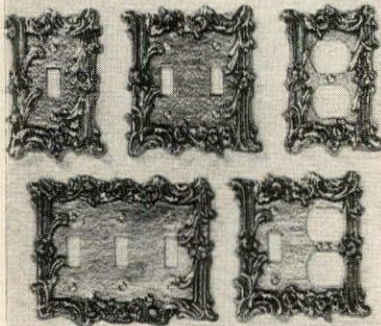
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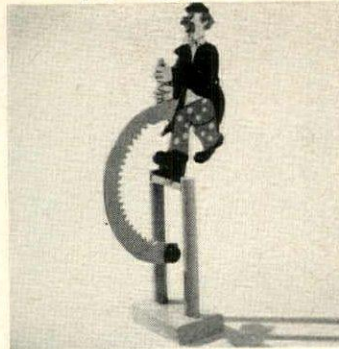
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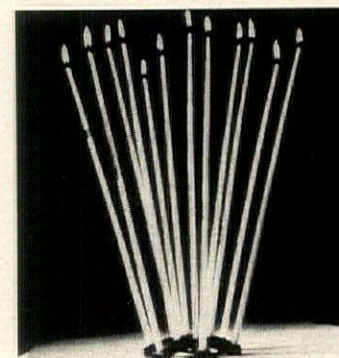
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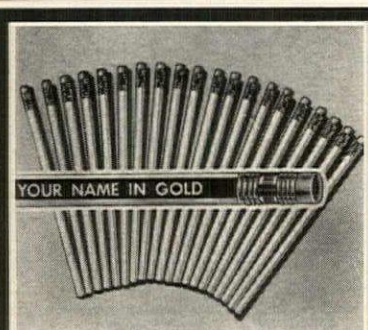
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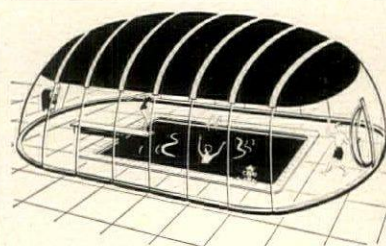
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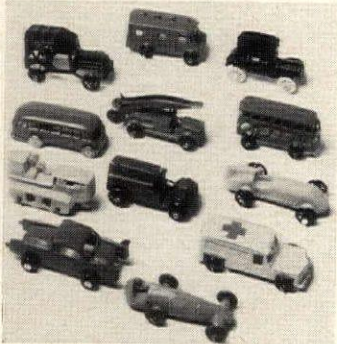
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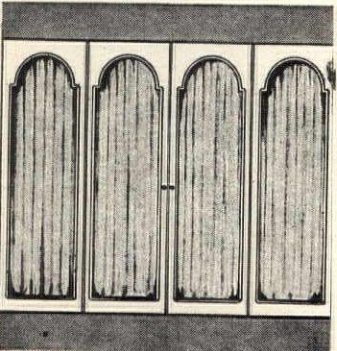
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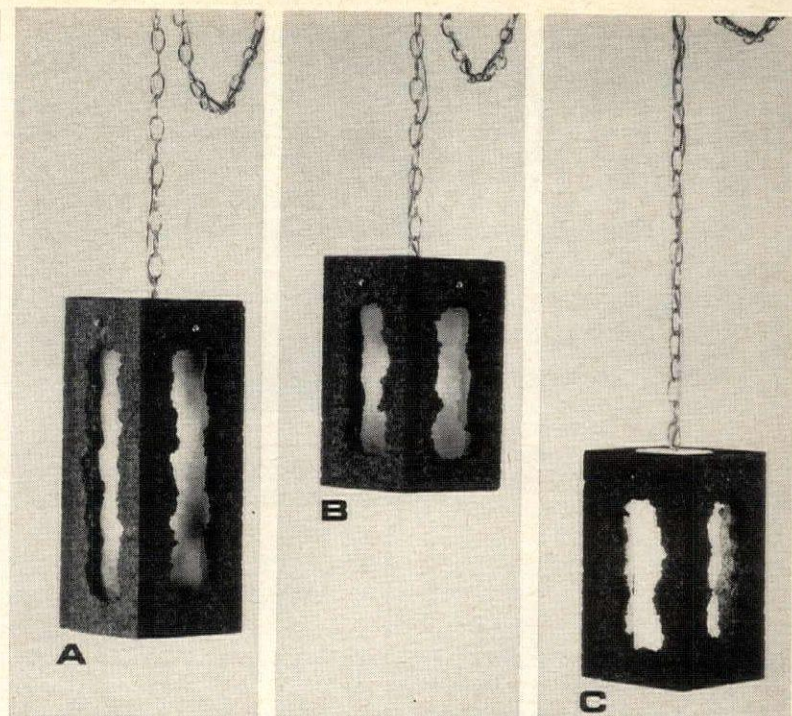
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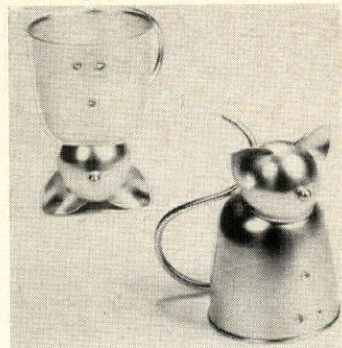
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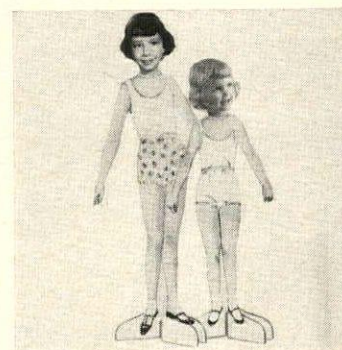
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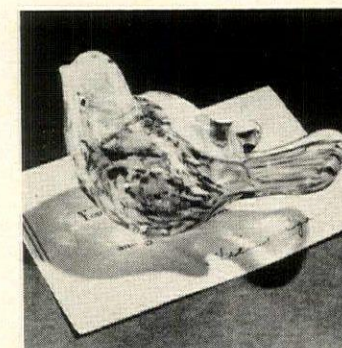
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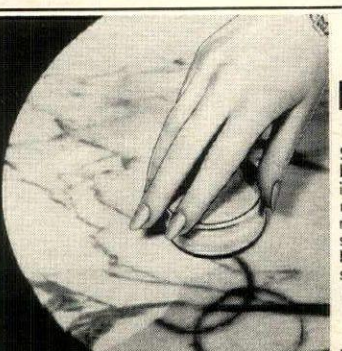
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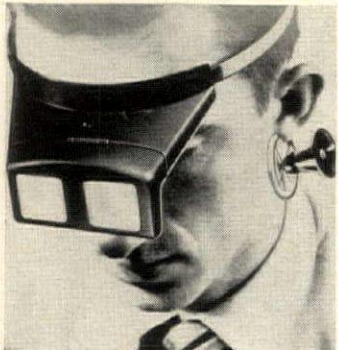
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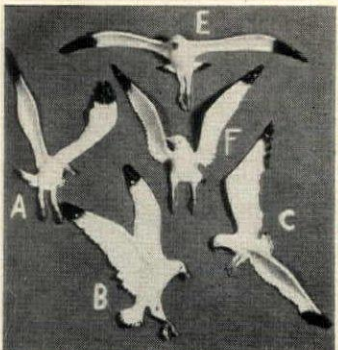
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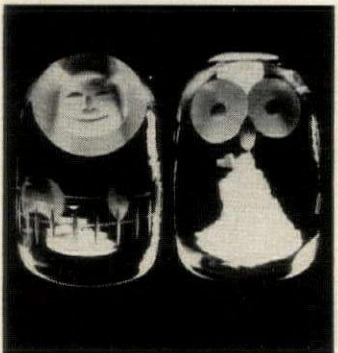
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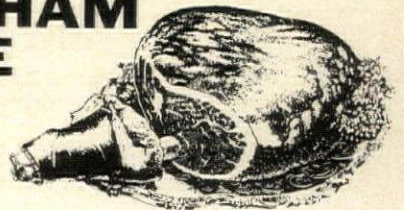
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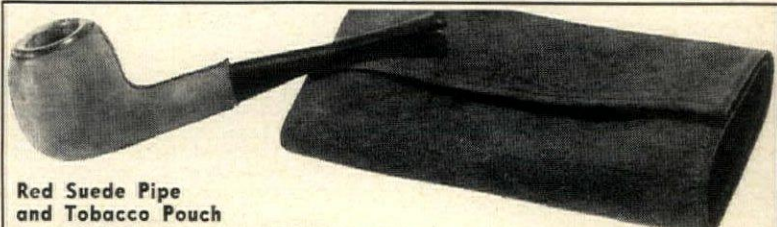


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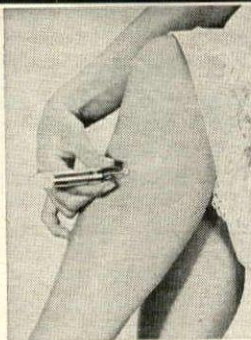
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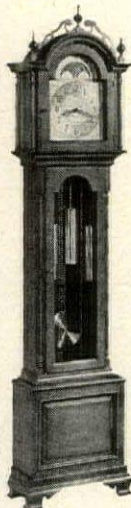


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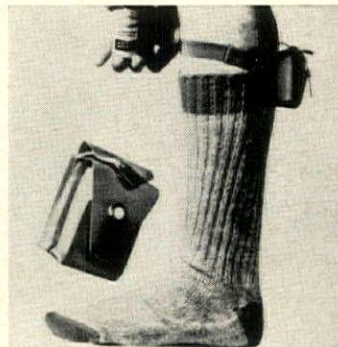


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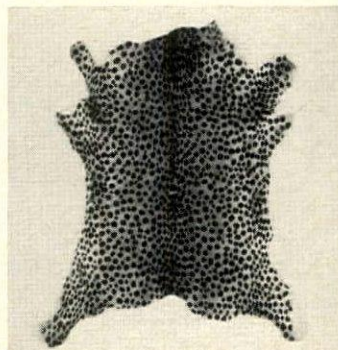
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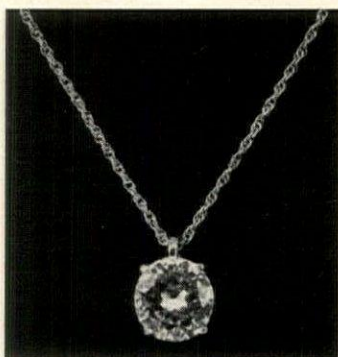
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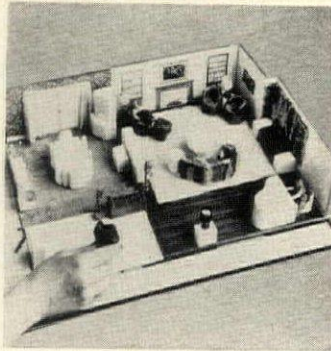
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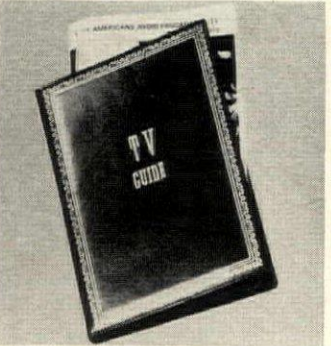
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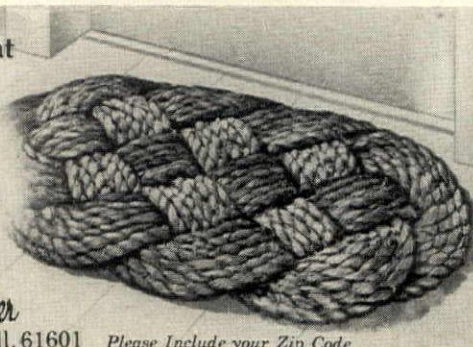
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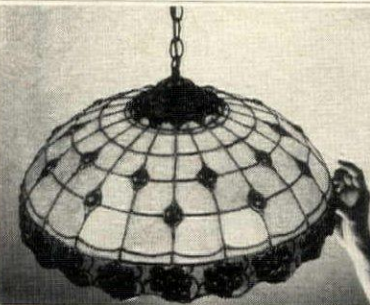
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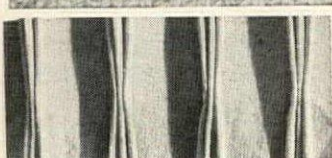
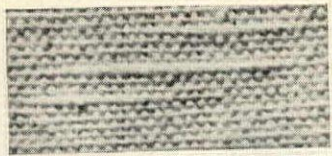
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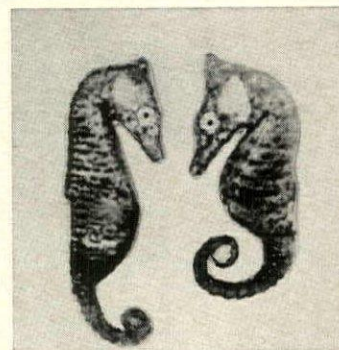
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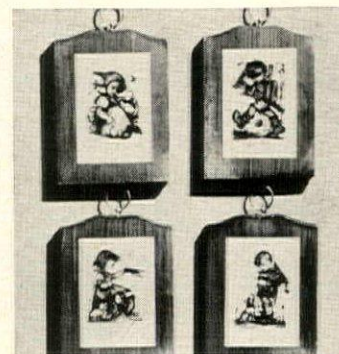
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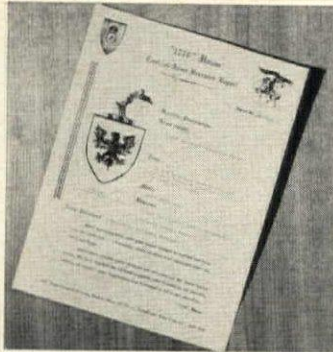
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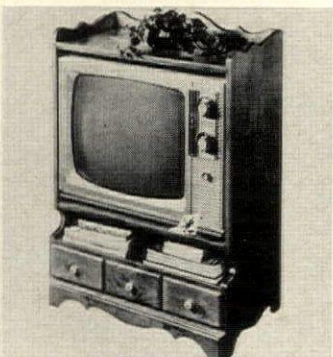
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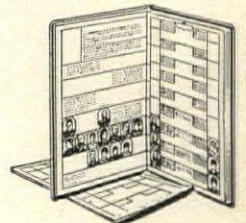
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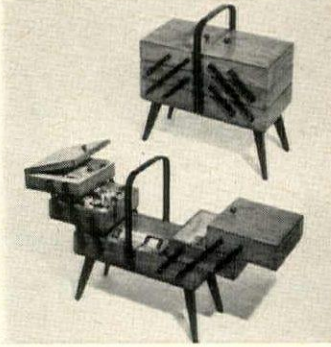
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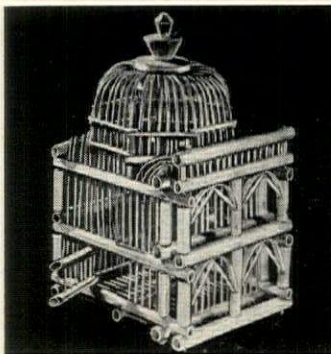
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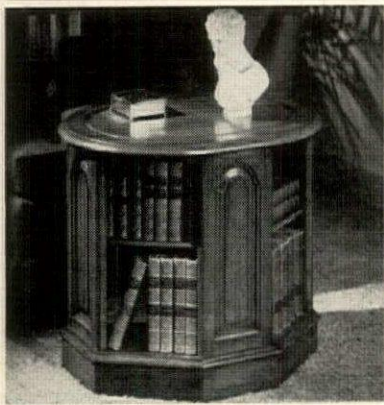
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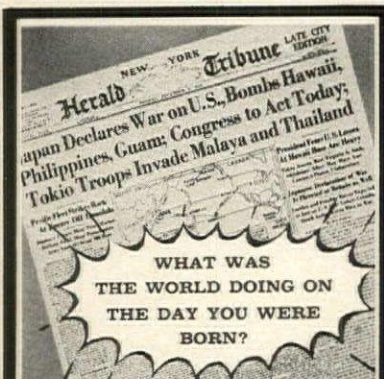
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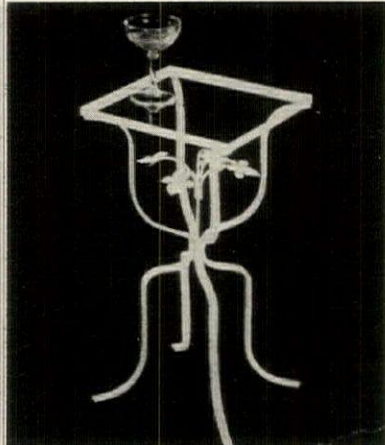
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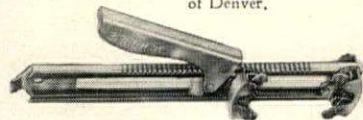
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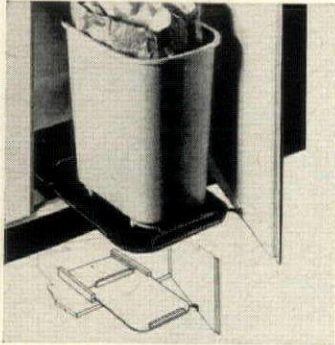
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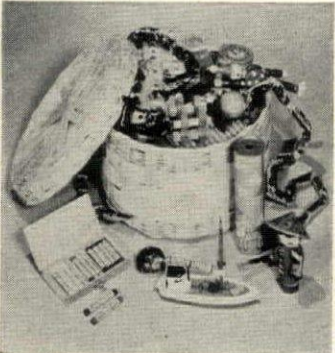
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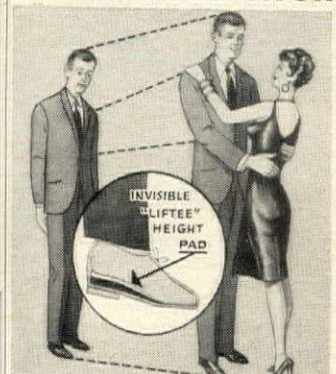
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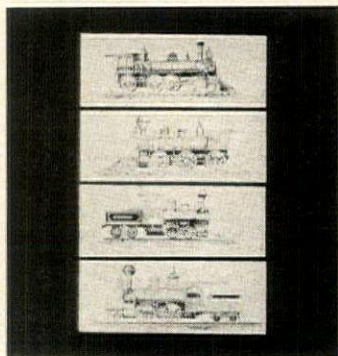
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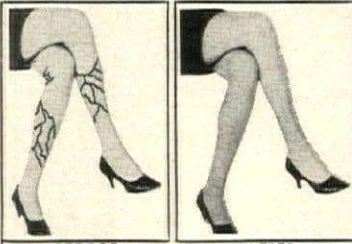
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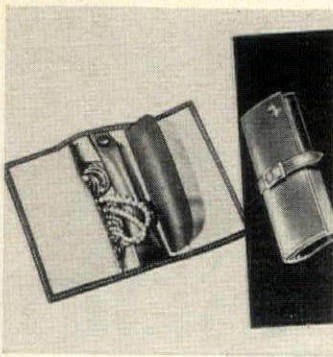
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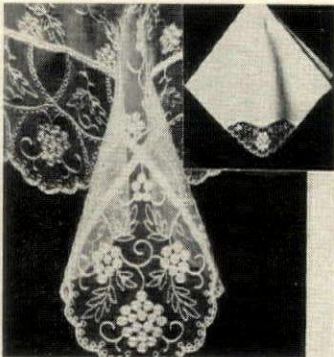
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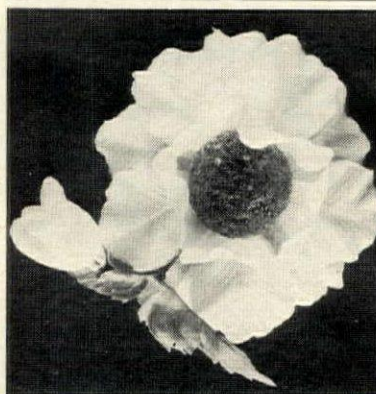
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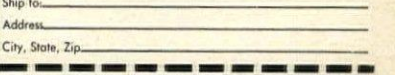
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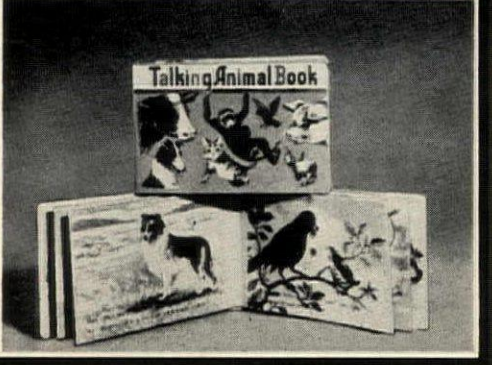
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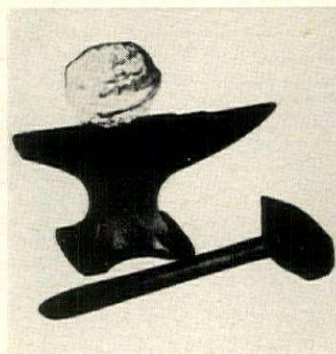
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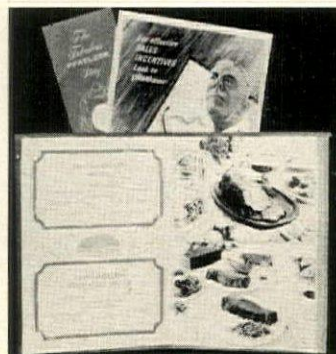
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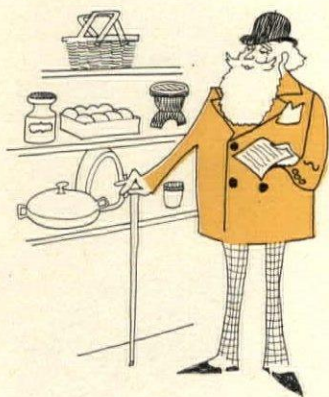
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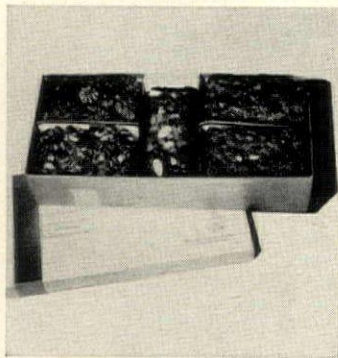
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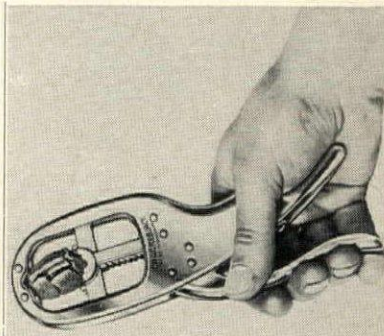
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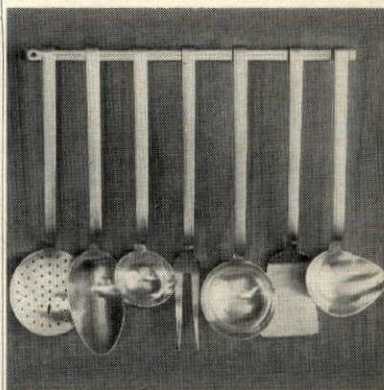
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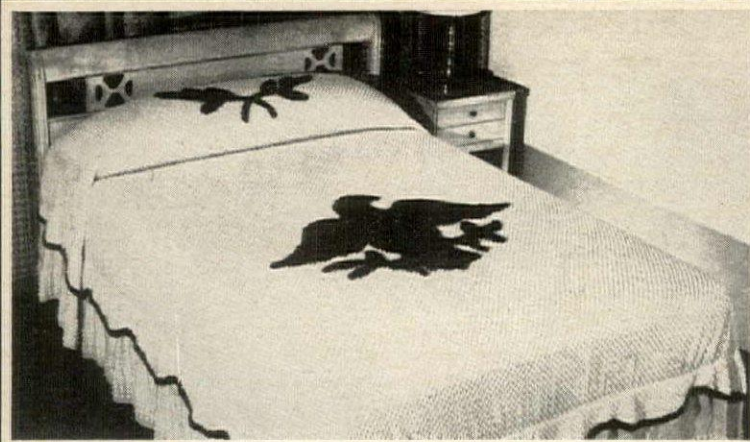


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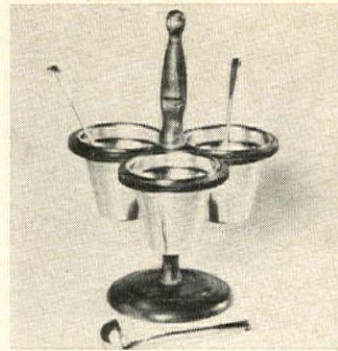
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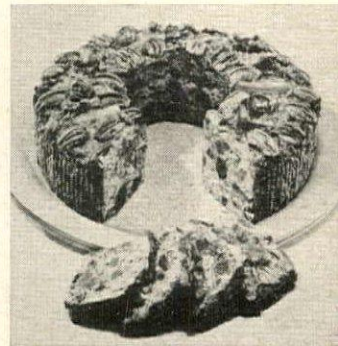
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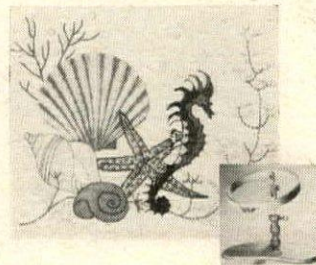
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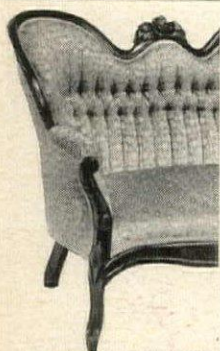
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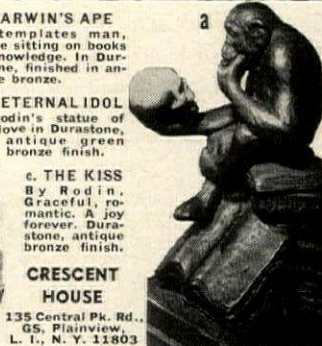
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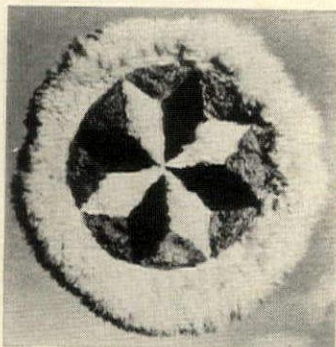
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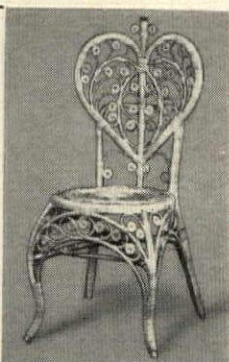
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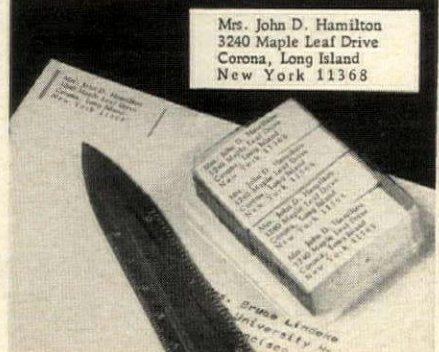
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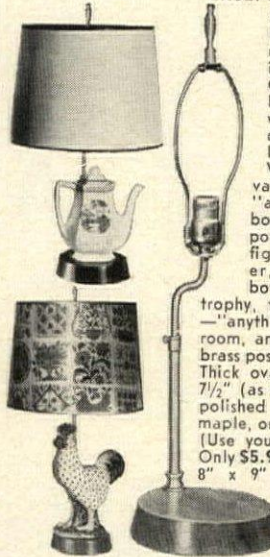
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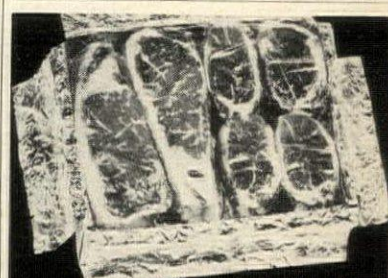
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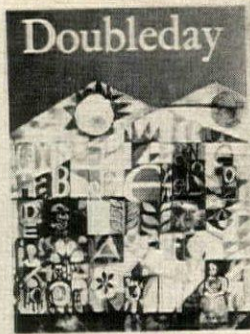
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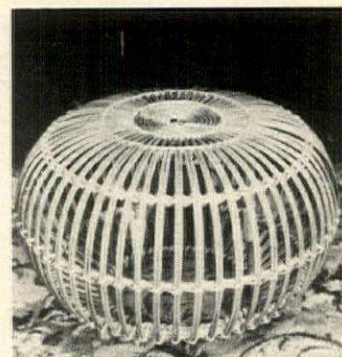
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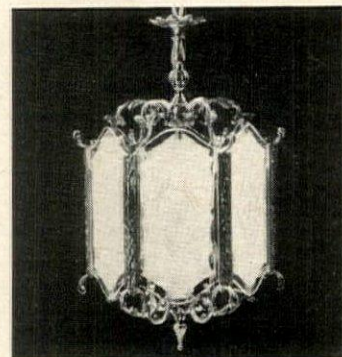
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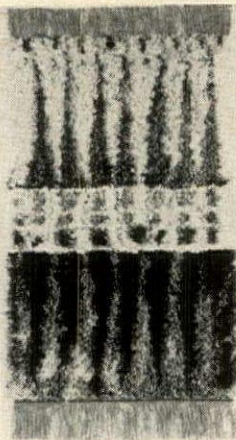
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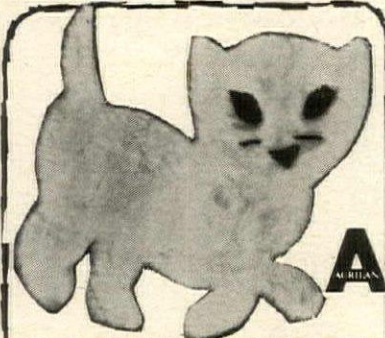
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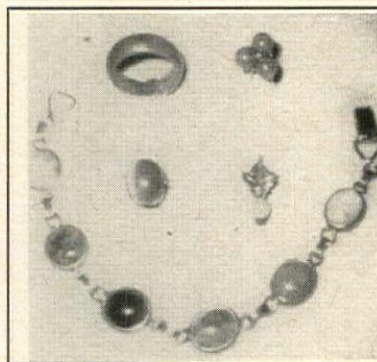
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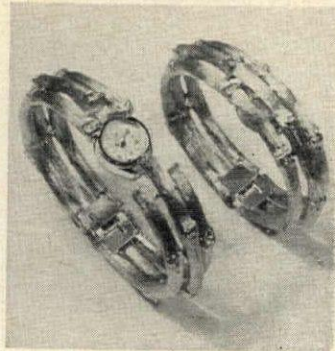
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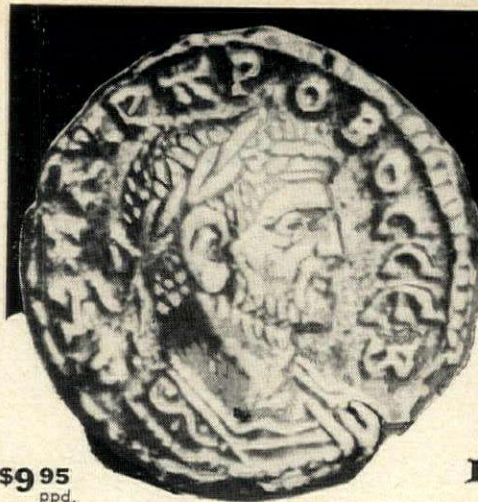
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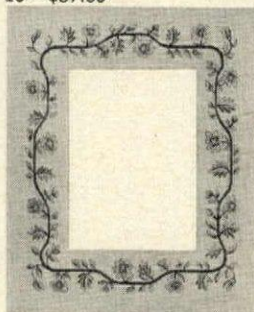
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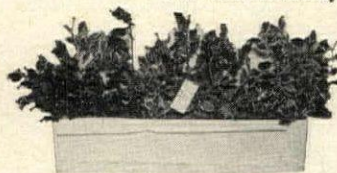
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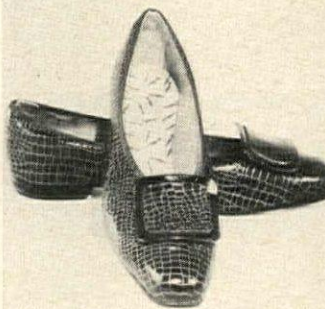
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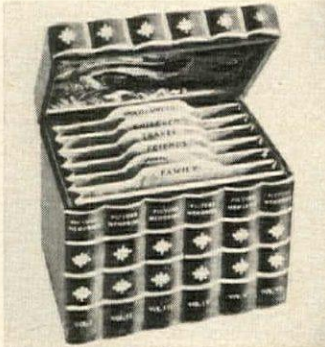


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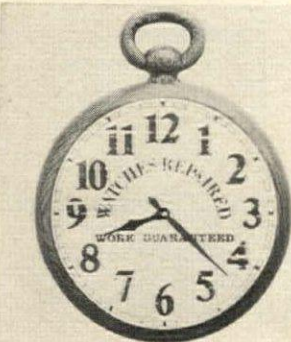
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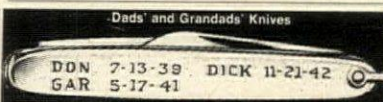


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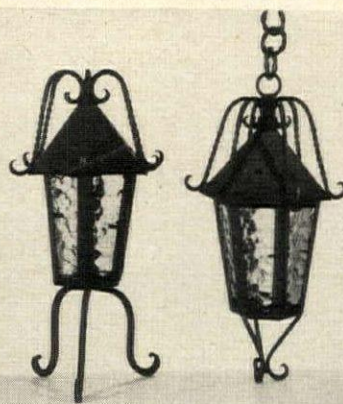
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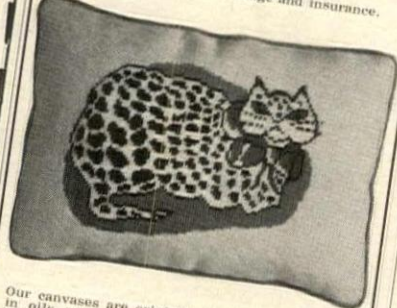
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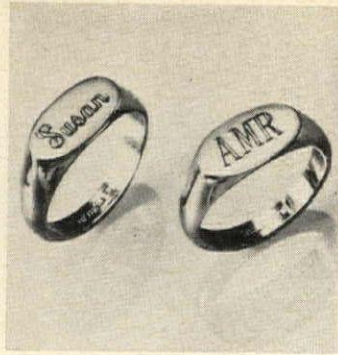
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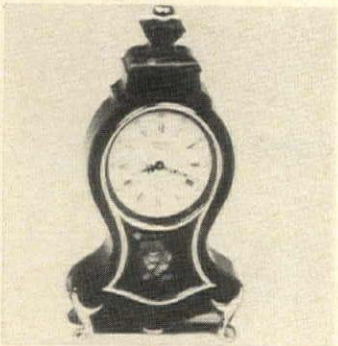
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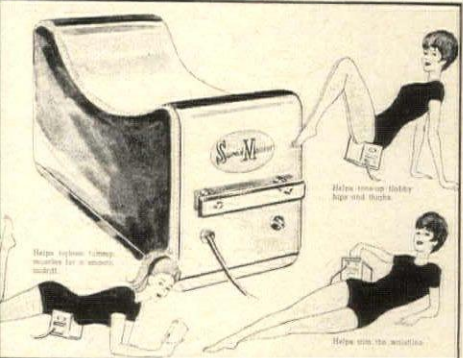
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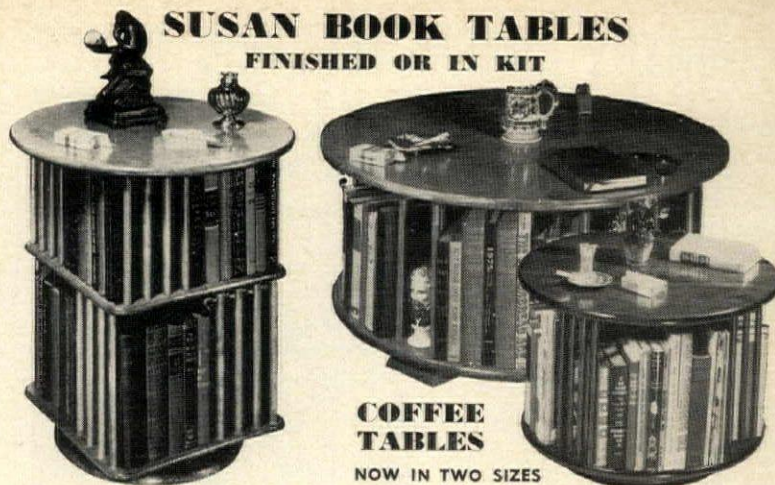
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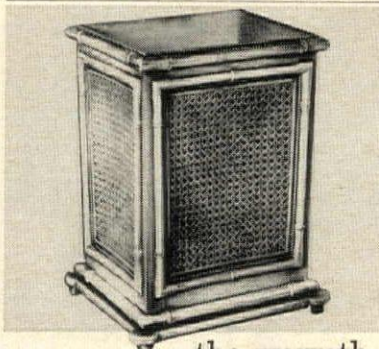
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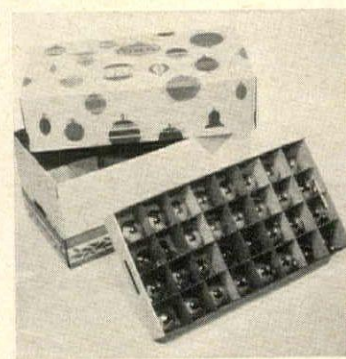
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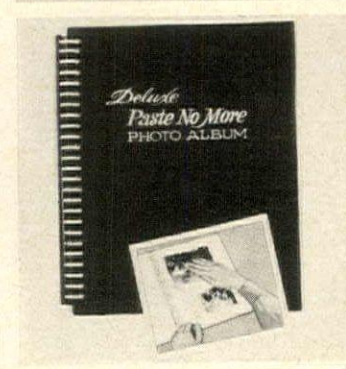
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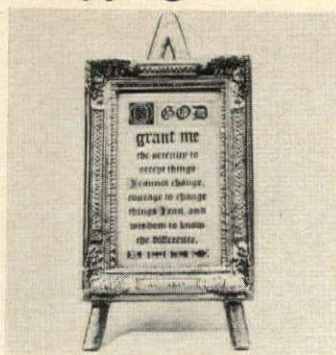
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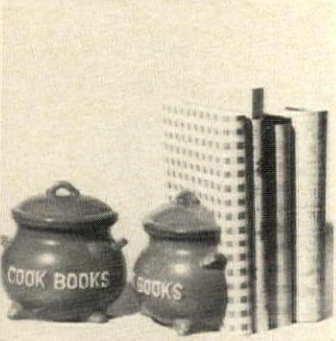
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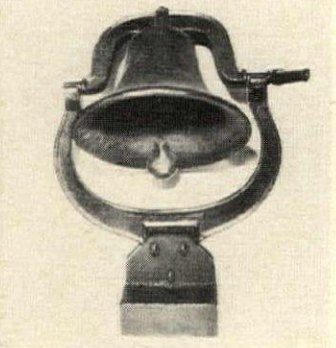
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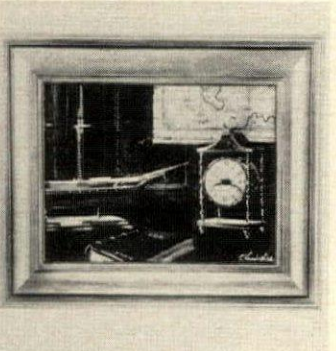
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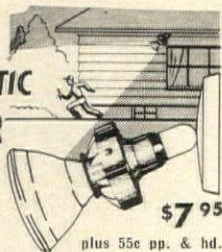


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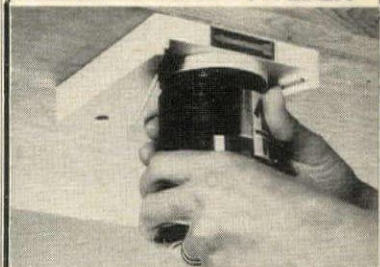
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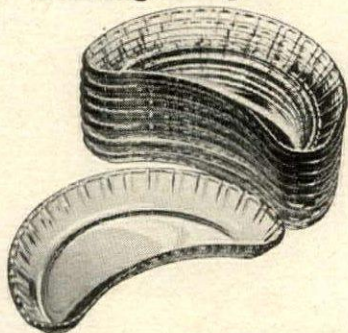
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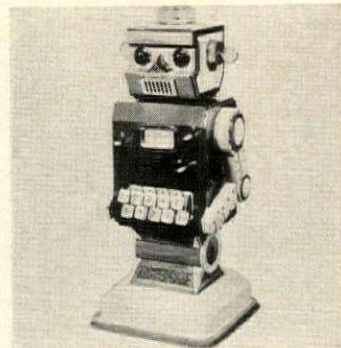
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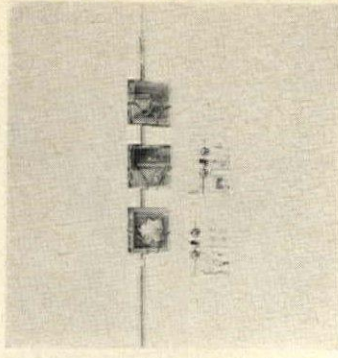
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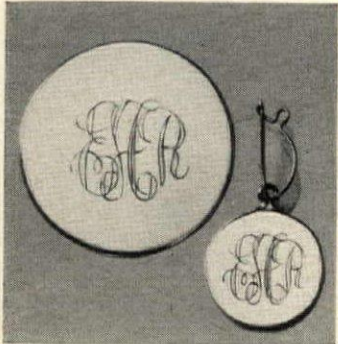
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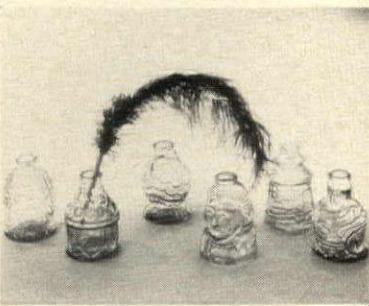
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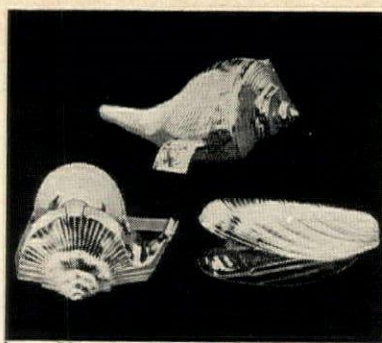
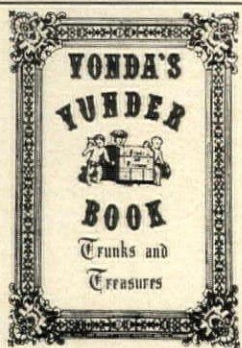


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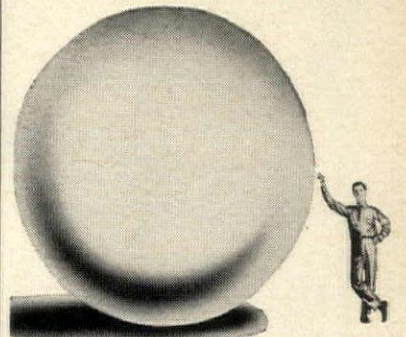
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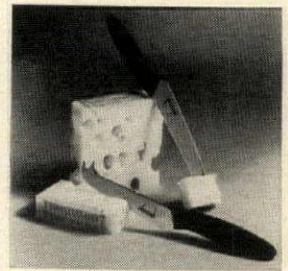


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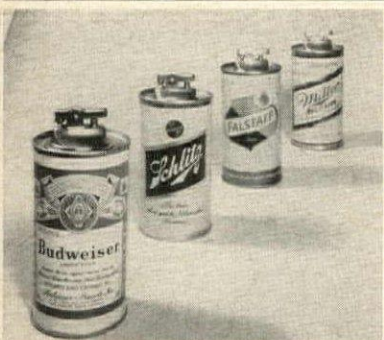
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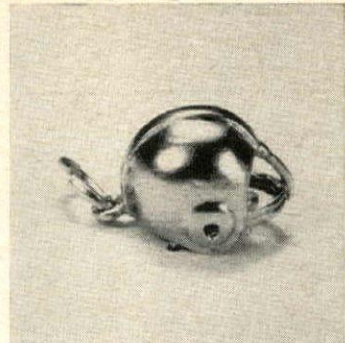
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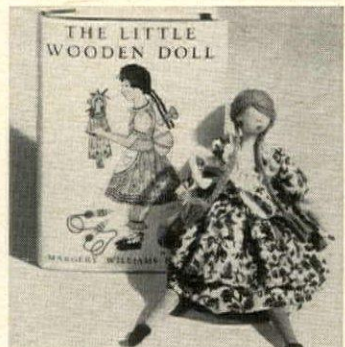
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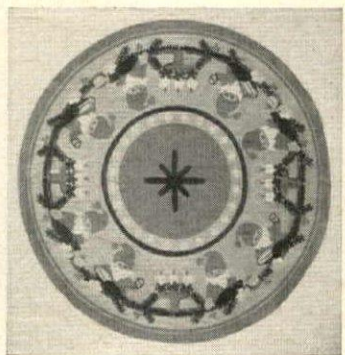


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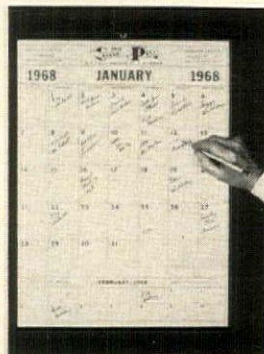
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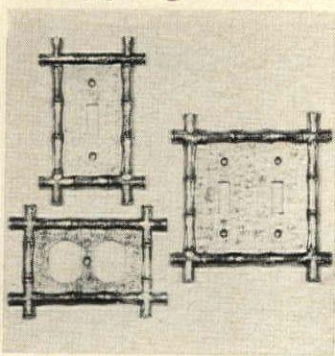
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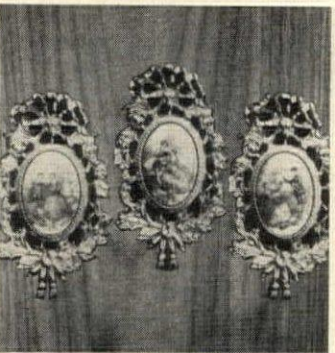
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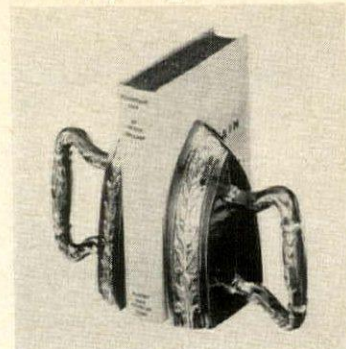
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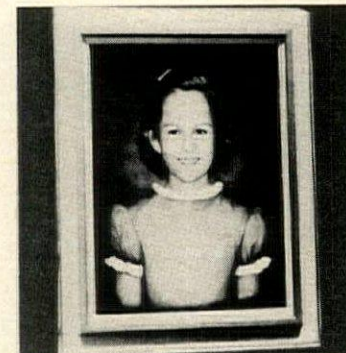
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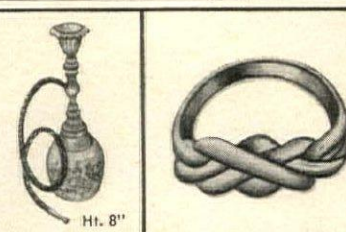
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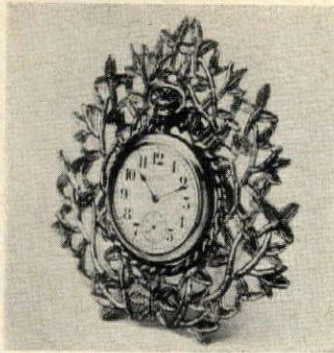
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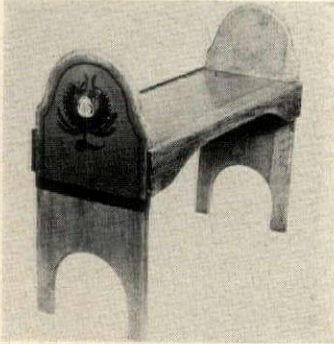
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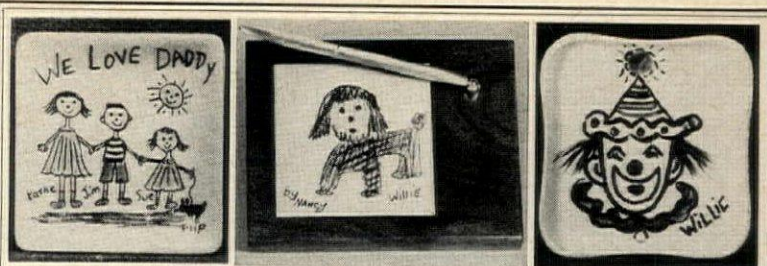
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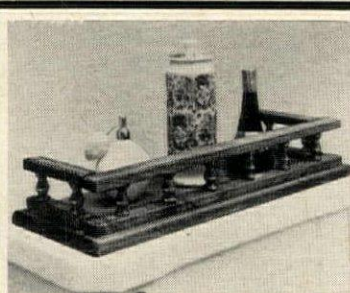
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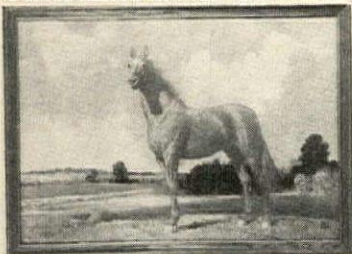
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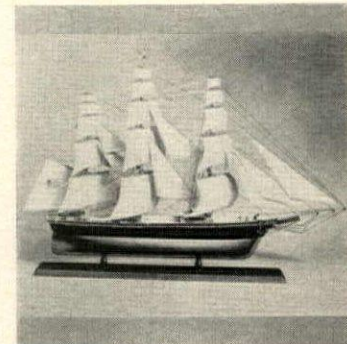
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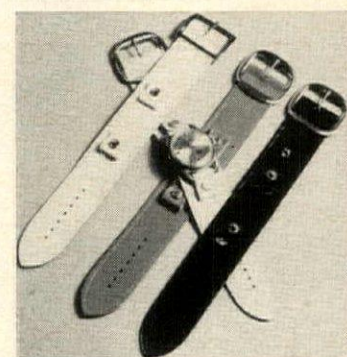
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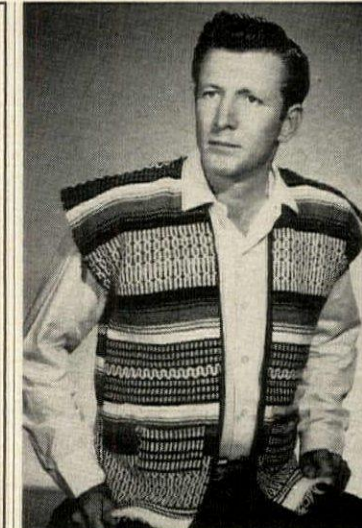
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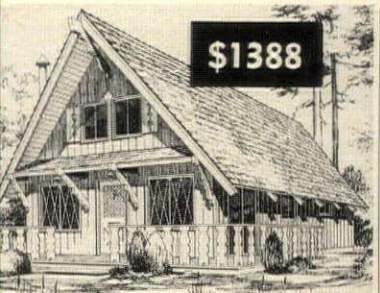
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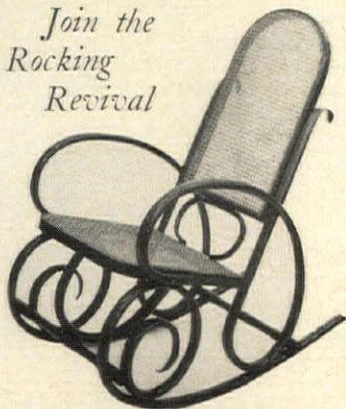
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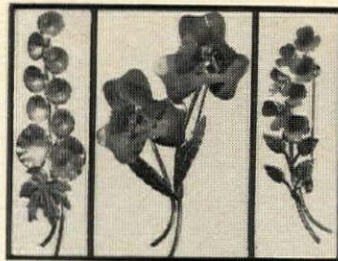


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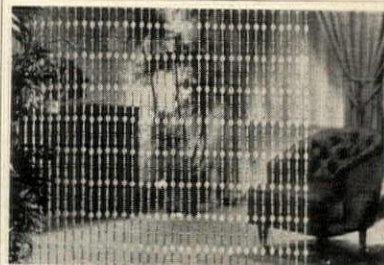
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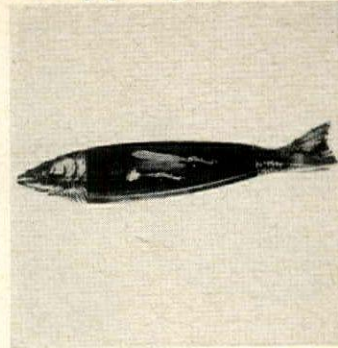
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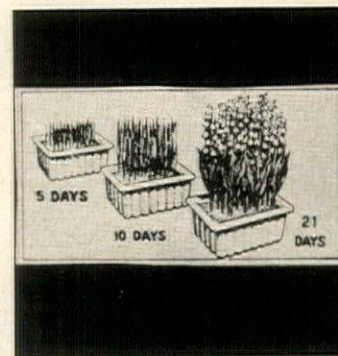
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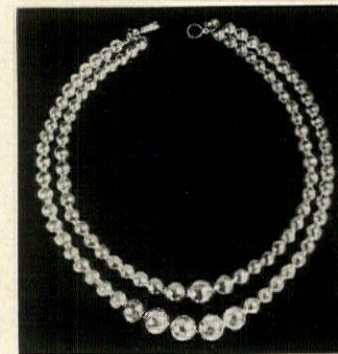
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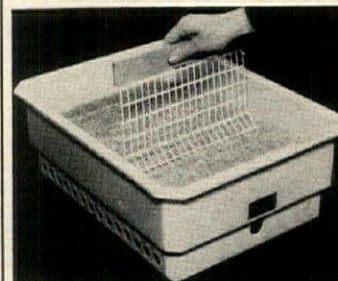
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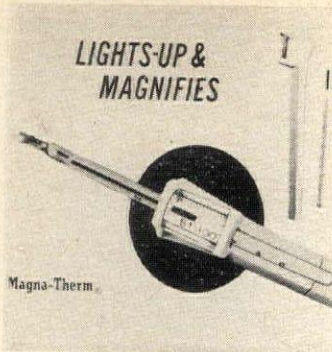
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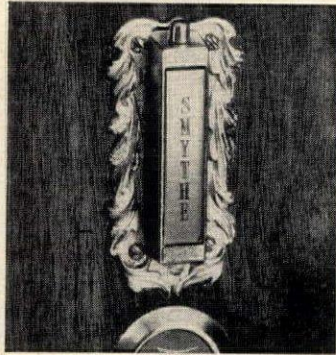
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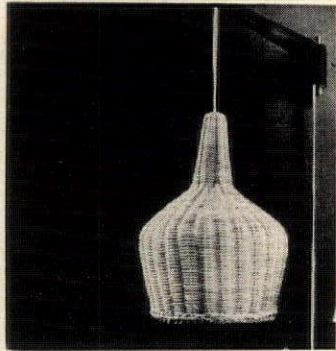
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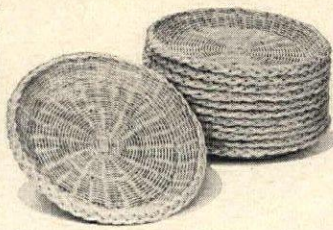
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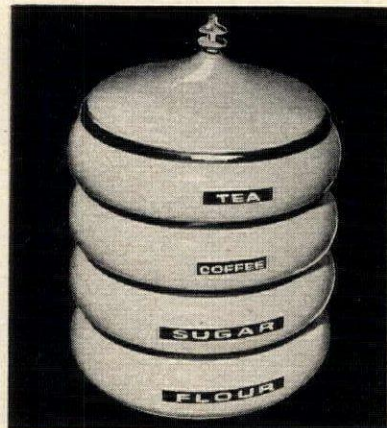
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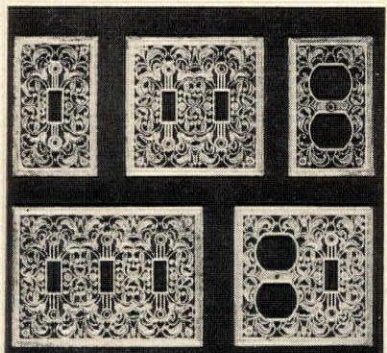
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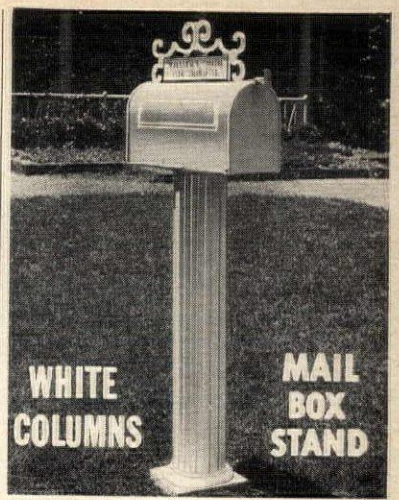
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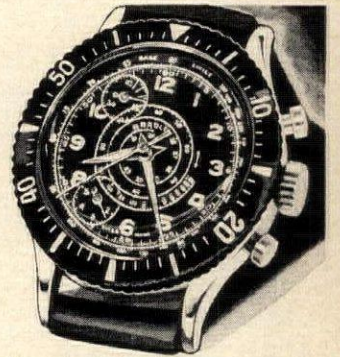
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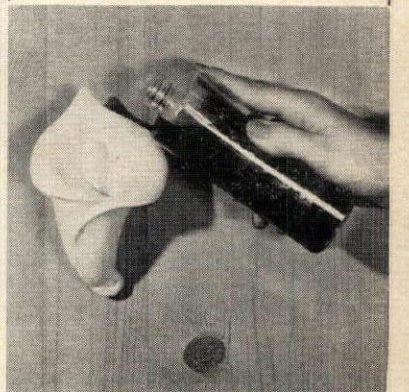
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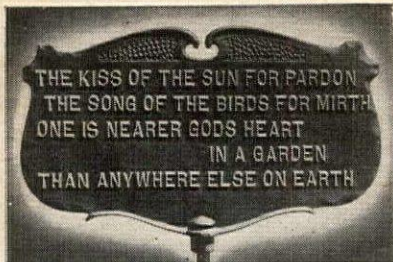


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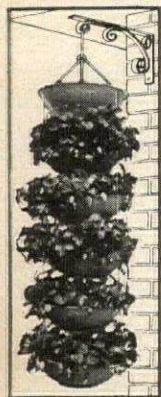
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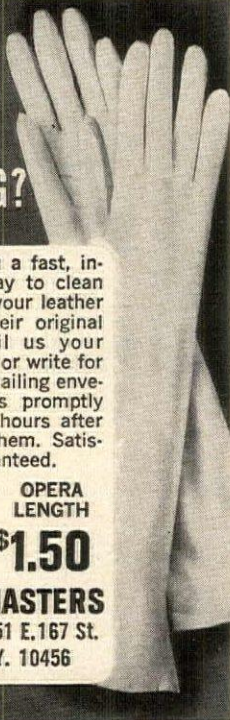
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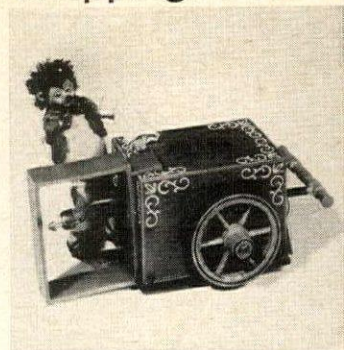
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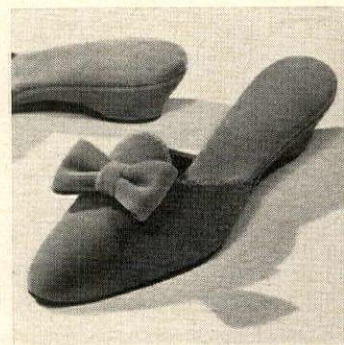
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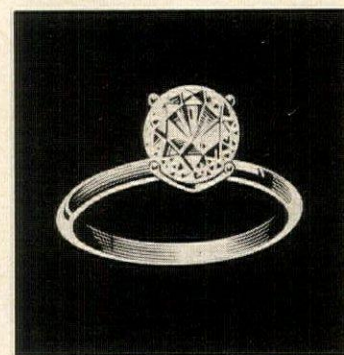
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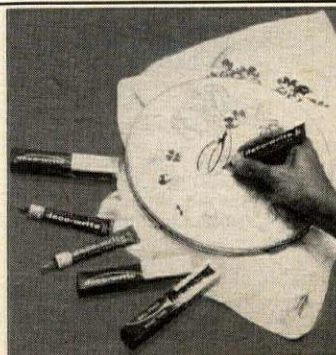
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A cone of pure white light, seemingly made of snowflakes and spun sugar, might beam its welcome on a chest in a foyer, or in a window—like a twinkly good deed in a naughty world.

Crystal and light Continued

Fantasies in crystal and light, H&G's decorations for 1967 have all the look of loot from the Snow Queen's palace (see our cover for a prime example). They are also—for all their dazzle—beautiful hoaxes: with one exception, they are made of basic bits of glitter you can buy practically anywhere for a carol—plastic “jewels,” ersatz silver, clusters of tiny Christmas lights—plus such mundane anchors as pipe cleaners and wooden dowels. Designed by Ellen Lehman McCluskey, who also created the settings, the decorations were executed by Edwin Schnittker, and follow tradition only in the fact that they adorn familiar spots in a house made gala for the holidays—the Christmas tree, the front door, the mantel, and the dining table. For a look at the materials you will need and the simple tricks of putting them together, see page 133.

Possibly the most regal mantel in town: twin bouquets (replicas of the sparkler on our cover), canopied with comets' tails of lights and silver beads hung from a brilliant bristle of finials—the kind that usually topknot a Christmas tree.

How to assemble H&G's Christmas decorations

The basic components of H&G's decorations are as familiar as popcorn and cranberries, and a lot more fun to put together.

THE BOUQUET, whatever its size and use, is always made the same way. Its base is a half-sphere of Styrofoam (the stuff comes in all shapes and sizes) which you will find at your florist or the ten-cent store.

Make it into a porcupine with thin wood dowels and pipe cleaners.

Wind your lights around the base and through the dowels, then fill in the chinks with crystal beads and little silver balls.

Now slip tree finials and ornaments over the dowels, and fasten plastic snowflakes, jewels, and prisms to the pipe cleaners.

If the bouquet is for a tree (like the one on page 128), wire it to a branch, then strengthen the branch with nylon cord attached to the trunk.

This prevents droop.

THE DOOR ORNAMENT (page 129) is made with a base of flat 1-inch-thick Styrofoam cut with a sharp knife into any shape you fancy (our model was an old-fashioned Christmas ornament), then paved solidly with ornaments, jewels, and prisms.

Just poke them bodily into the Styrofoam or hook them in with wires. Top the ornament with a bow of silver lamé ribbon and hang it up.

THE GARLAND you can buy ready-made from your florist, or run up yourself with your favorite greens. (We used the vinyl variety, which is easy to handle and just as good next year as this.)

Intertwine either type with strings of crystal beads, silver ribbon, velvet roping.

THE SNOWFLAKE TREE (page 130) is a 2-foot-high cone of Styrofoam wound with a spiral of lights (try to find lights with white cords),

literally powdered with plastic snowflakes (you just stick them into the Styrofoam), and accented with jewels, prisms, and a few silver balls.

These have fasteners that hook over the snowflake spikes.

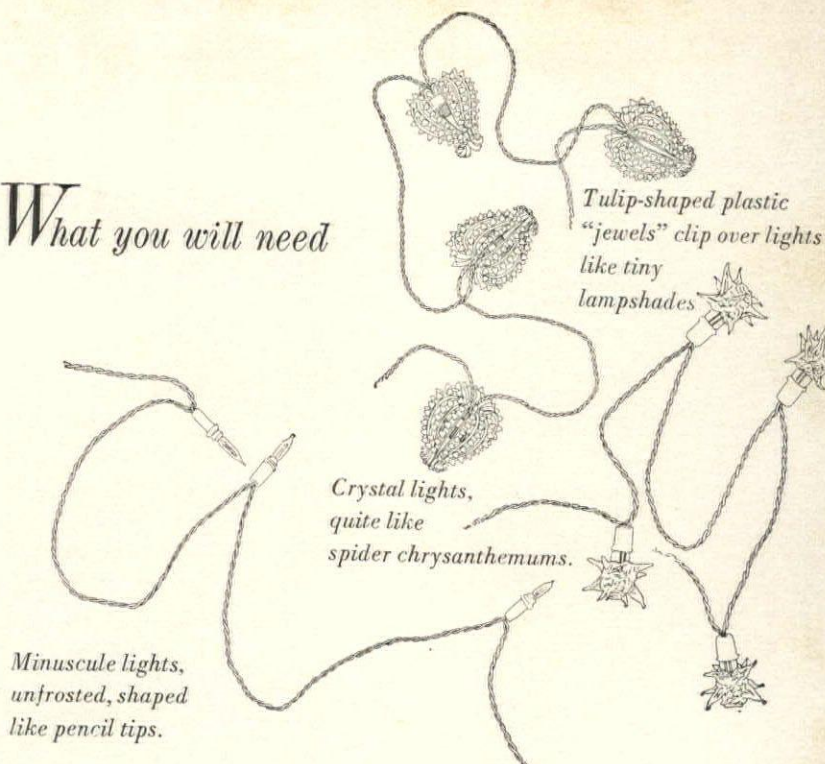
THE MANTEL EXTRAVAGANZA (page 131) you start with a "crown" made of heavy pipe cleaners, picture-hooked to the wall and stuck full of finials.

Then, loop strands of crystal beads and lights bed-canopy fashion down to twin bouquets—one at each end of the shelf. If your mantel lacks a shelf, hang the bouquet with a picture hook and a long screw eye thrust into the base.

OPPOSITE PAGE:

Magnificent centerpiece combines a crystal bouquet with a fountain of light—a jet of electric "water" made with the Fiber-Lite, see page 193. Tiffany silver and table crystal, John Vesey dining table, Nesle wall sconce. For shopping information, see page 187.

What you will need

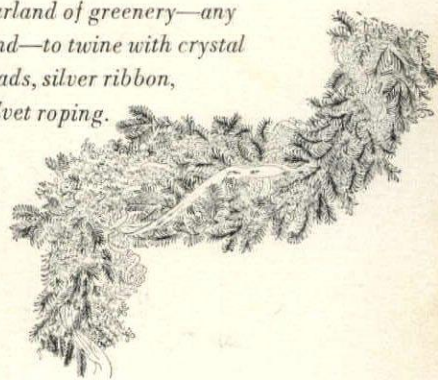


Tulip-shaped plastic "jewels" clip over lights like tiny lampshades.

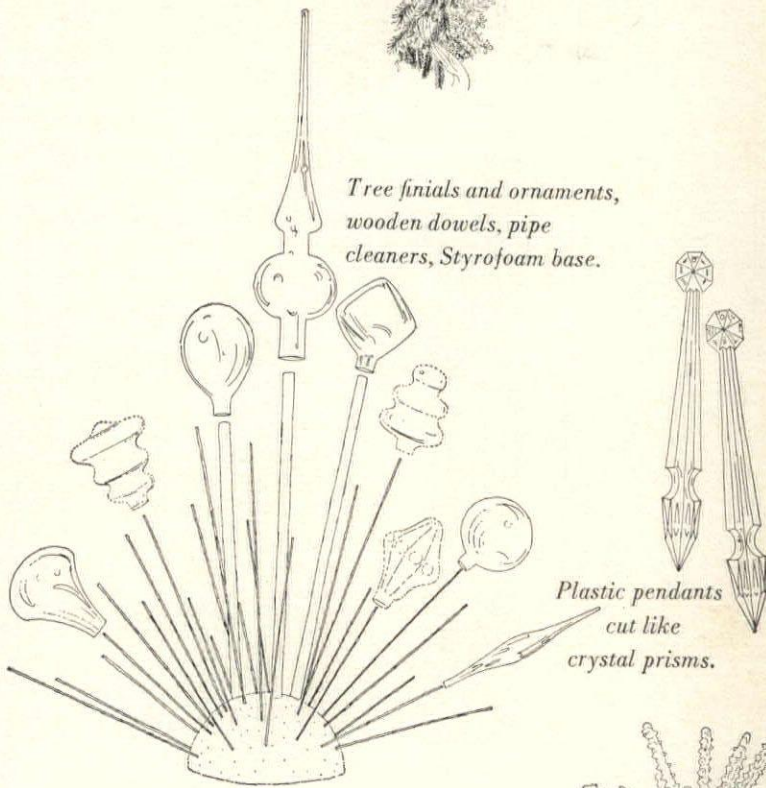
Crystal lights, quite like spider chrysanthemums.

Minuscule lights, unfrosted, shaped like pencil tips.

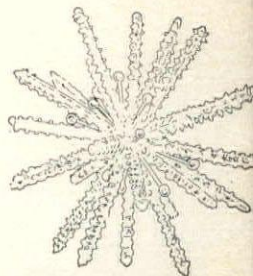
Garland of greenery—any kind—to twine with crystal beads, silver ribbon, velvet roping.



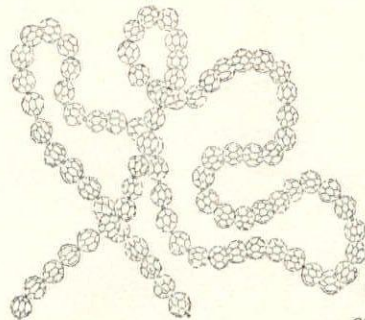
Tree finials and ornaments, wooden dowels, pipe cleaners, Styrofoam base.



Plastic pendants cut like crystal prisms.

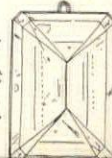


Spiky, glittery, plastic snowflake.



Crystal beads, plastic, of course, each bead faceted.

Silver-backed jewel: an emerald-cut plastic diamond.





When I was a child in Texas," says Mrs. Lyndon Johnson, reminiscing about Christmas, "the great adventure was digging the pine tree out of a nearby pasture—I can still remember the piny smell. We used to use real candles for decorations then. It's a wonder we all survived."

Needless to say, the 20-foot-high blue spruce that adorns the White House Blue Room over the holidays is wholly electrified and thoroughly fire-proof. But the tree is only one part of the White House Christmas decorations. Even more spectacular is the crèche set up in the East Room.

Last year's crèche consisted of a group of figures, designed in the modern vein, of draped, gilded burlap, that seemed to float against the magical background specially created for them by Stephen Barany, New York floral designer. On December 13 of this year, in the same spot, the newest White House acquisition will be unveiled—a crèche consisting of twenty-two eighteenth-century Neapolitan figures donated by Mrs. Charles Engelhard, in a setting created by Donald Oenslager, the famous stage designer.

For some time Mrs. Johnson had been hoping that the White House might acquire a permanent crèche that would be a work of art commensurate with other White House treasures.

"So I asked Jane Engelhard, who has helped with so many projects, what we could do about it. She did the most remarkable job of research, looking all over Europe for the perfect figures. She found our new ones in Naples, which seems fitting, since most great religious art comes from Italy."

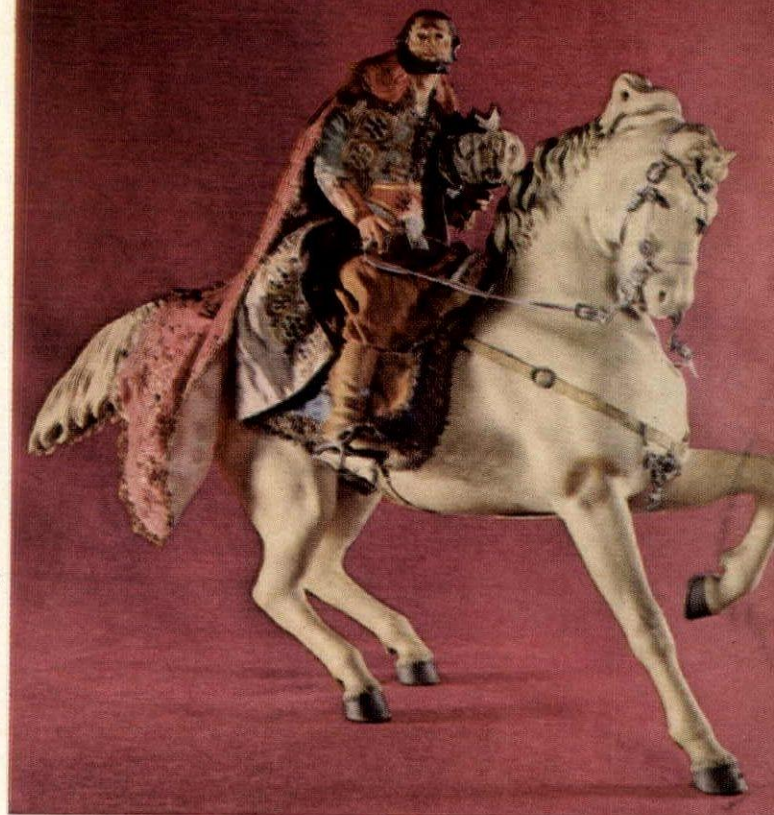
Mrs. Charles Engelhard, a woman of great taste and perseverance, started by studying five books dealing with crèches. But she was still uncertain how to proceed when she happened to sit next to Thomas Hoving, now director of New York's Metropolitan Museum, at a dinner party.

"I knew he'd helped do over the Cloisters for the Rockefellers," she says, "so I begged him to help me, and he did. He set up appointments for me at the most important museums in Europe for this sort of thing, one in Munich, one in Naples, and two in Rome."

"I visited the museums in Munich and Rome, and I learned a lot, but I (Continued on page 192)

Last year's crèche in the White House East Room was displayed in a marvelously gossamer-like structure of delicate textured wrought iron interwoven with laurel branches and tiny lights. The crèche was designed jointly by Mrs. Henry Parish and Albert Hadley.

Magnificently clothed King of the East from the new group of antique crèche figures rides a horse instead of the more usual camel.



CHRISTMAS RADIANCE AT THE WHITE HOUSE

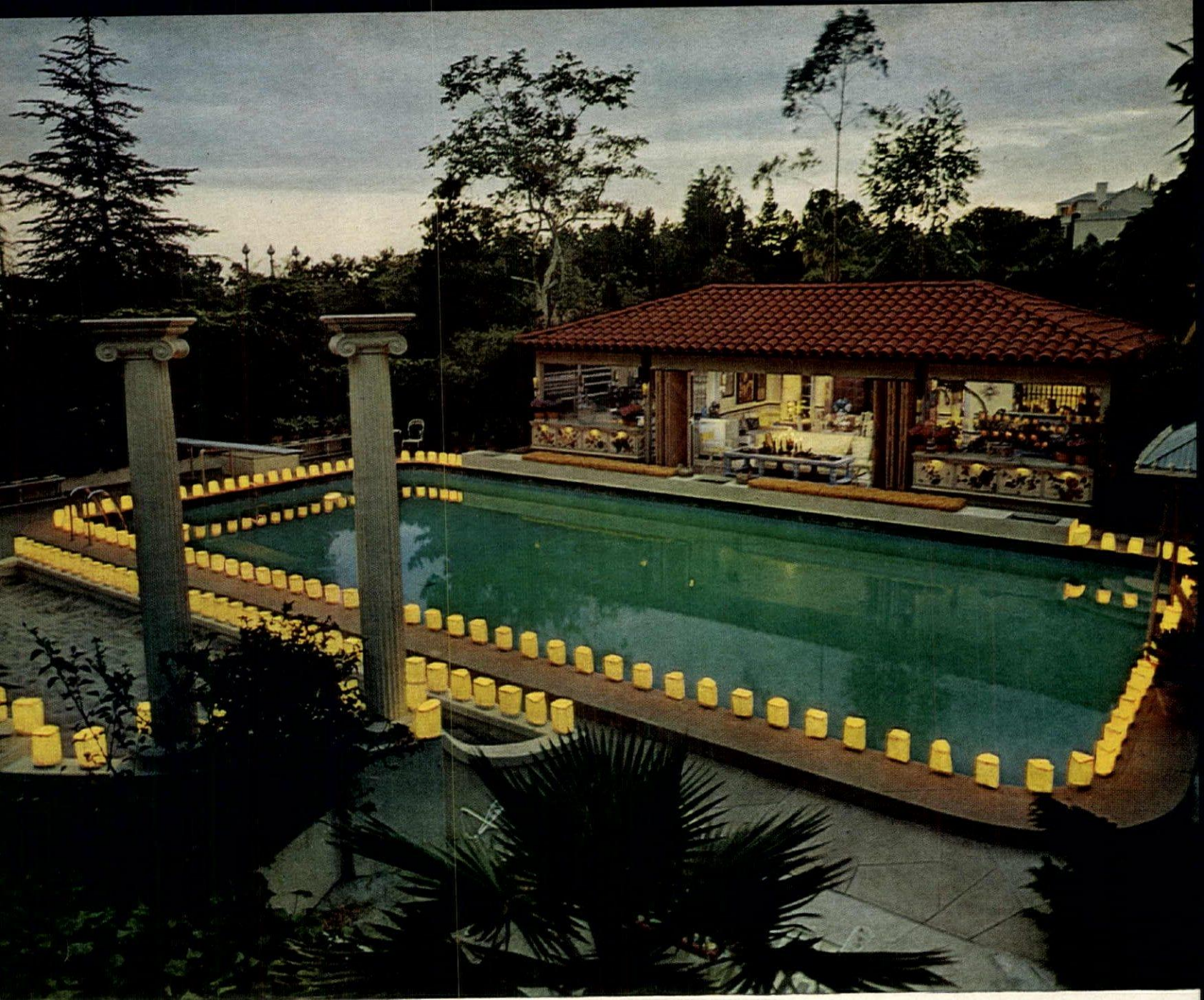
By Scottie Fitzgerald Smith



This year's crèche will be composed of the newest additions to the White House art treasures—eighteenth century figures from a famous collection in Naples. Holy Family is mounted on its own little platform; angel, RIGHT, will hang over scene.

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For galas, the Prices revive an old Mexican custom and circle their pool with luminarias—festival lights made of candles embedded in sand in turquoise, pink, and orange paper bags.

A TALENT FOR CHRISTMAS

The Vincent Prices, whose favorite holidays are the twelve days of Christmas, live in a wonderfully individual house full of inventive ideas.

Research: what one Price doesn't know about painting or food (or can't dig up), the other one does.



Although Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Price have lived and worked in California for years, they remain transplanted New Yorkers, happy to be successful at their respective jobs—acting for him, costume designing for her. They are grateful to Hollywood, but they have never allowed its kudos to lead them up glamour's garden path. Instead, they live with style and humor in a wonderfully theatrical house "Spanish, more or less" on the outside, pure Price within. Omnivorous collectors of practically everything, they adore clutter and know exactly how to make it both delightful and, in an amusing way, outrageous. For Christmas, their favorite holiday, they bedeck their house with a fantasia of lights and garlands and baubles, and sit amid it with their five-year-old daughter, Mary Victoria, singing one carol after another, happy as three Tiny Tims. Their sophistication, normally of a high order, goes right out the window and stays there until Twelfth Night. (Continued)

An astonishing tiled fireplace atop a file cabinet, OPPOSITE PAGE, holds pull-down infrared bells to keep food warm in the aptly termed keeping room—the family-alone dining room.



Every Christmas the staircase gets a new necklace. This one is made of felt flowers that fold up like old-fashioned paper bells. "From Japan, wouldn't you know?" Crucifix is Mexican Colonial (Mr. Price is very fond of primitive religious art). Beside it, a self-portrait by Matisse.

"We love Christmas carols.

*We have all the recorded ones and sing
along with them until we're as hoarse
as crows. We're the Beverly Hills
seraphim, slightly off key."*

The Prices' preoccupation with Christmas has deep roots. Mrs. Price was born in England, the daughter of an army officer who believed in Discipline—at home as well as in the barracks. The only time he allowed his children to kick up their heels was during the twelve days of Christmas. "That's why I'm such a child about it," says Mrs. Price. "To me, Christmas is an embrace, the warmer the better. And I love the spectacle of it all. Every year I buy one more gross of something for the tree. I don't know how I get it all on, but I do."

Mr. Price had the father of all fathers—a candy manufacturer who numbered among his friends Mr. Hershey, the chocolate czar. The little Prices didn't bother with mere sugarplums, they had life-size Santas and reindeer of solid chocolate—for as long as they lasted. "Quite understandably, we were very popular kids. It's a lovely feeling, and every Christmas, I resurrect it. Of course, chocolate won't get you very far with grown-ups, but champagne figures."

Christmas day at the Prices is a family affair. No guests, but gifts that don't stop. "Mary thinks that if a little is good, a lot is much better." On New Year's Eve, however, they pull out the stops and give their favorite dinner of the moment to their favorite friends—always the same fourteen people who have been coming for years, plus sometimes a new face or two. Then they dance all night. "It's my favorite kind of party," says Mrs. Price, "and I cook the dinner myself. I can't bear big routs; when we have to have them, we have a caterer. Otherwise, we entertain only when we feel like it, and for the only reason that counts—to give people pleasure. We both cook, but rarely in tandem. Two prima donnas in one kitchen can play hob with the broth." Two years ago, nonetheless, the prima donnas got together long enough to produce a cook book that gourmets keep under their pillows. (Continued)

The drawing room, OPPOSITE PAGE, is a glorious mélange of artifacts, paintings, and "movie" furniture which the Prices snapped up at movie-lot auctions. "The stately homes of Hollywood are well represented, too." Sculptured heads on the table run a rich gamut from Pre-Columbian to ancient New Ireland.





The library is the Prices' sitting room. It has one fireplace that doesn't work, one—a Franklin stove—that does. Mrs. Price's favorite settee is a Georgian beauty from the Salvation Army. Helmeted bird was carved in the New Hebrides.

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Moroccan room, a little hideaway, is shaded by a "Casbah Tinker Toy"—a wood curtain Mrs. Price had made of toy parts. Lady-with-palm came from the Admiralty Islands.



"Nothing in the world is so satisfying as learning to make something with your own hands, and to make it well. It doesn't matter what it is—a tile, a cake, a flower bed."

The Prices spend as much time in their kitchen as they can—which is not much. Inordinately busy people, they are as apt to have a hamburger on the run as Lobster Savannah at leisure. (They are probably the only people in the world who managed to wheedle the recipe for the latter lusciousness out of Boston's old Locke-Ober's.) They travel like twin Gullivers, spiraling the world, making films, buying pictures. Some they keep, some they sell, a few are quietly banished to limbo. "I must admit to having acquired a dog or two," says Mr. P.

As a rule, Mrs. Price leaves the choice of paintings to her husband. "He's an authority, and I'm not going to make any boo-boos." She loves kitchen curiosa—old molds, antique gadgets (as long as they work), copper pots and pans. Most of these she finds in France, and—like her Christmas tree—her kitchen always has room for another gross, arranged with the same care she would give to the ornamentation on a period costume. Such are the demands and rewards of expertise.

Home from their travels, the Prices rest for five minutes, then work. Besides writing a syndicated column on art for thirty newspapers, Mr. Price is Commissioner of Indian Arts and Crafts for the U.S. Department of the Interior. This takes a bit of fieldwork, but when he isn't digging for artifacts, he comes home to his own fields and grows cymbidiums the Burpees would envy.

Mrs. Price, in the meantime, has probably been making tiles. She has her own kiln, and a great deal of the flooring and wall-facing in the house came out of that hard-working little oven. She also has a daughter to nurture, amuse, and dress. "I don't know why, perhaps because Vin played Prince Albert for so long, but Vicky looks like a Victorian child, so I sometimes dress her like one. I loathe sewing, but for some perverse reason, I'm good at it. My mother always reminded me that it was a gift—like Mozart's, and 'remember, dear, they had to lock him in the attic to get any music out of him.' So I sew for Vicky—not all her clothes, but some." (Continued)

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The kitchen is a marvelous whirl of coppery gleam hiding enormous practicality: a giant chopping-block table, a hotel range, walk-in refrigerator and freezer.





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Rare and beautiful American Indian pottery fills one end of the drawing room. Paintings are by Lipchitz, Mark Tobey, Reginald Pollack, and Kriesb

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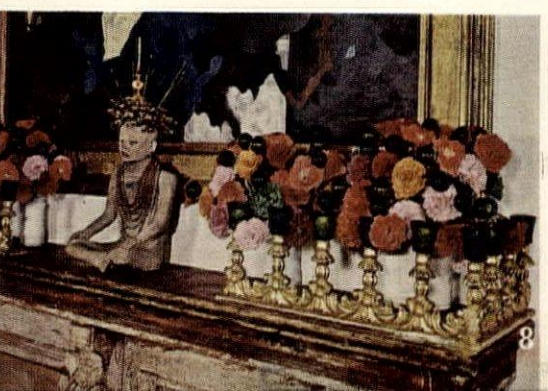
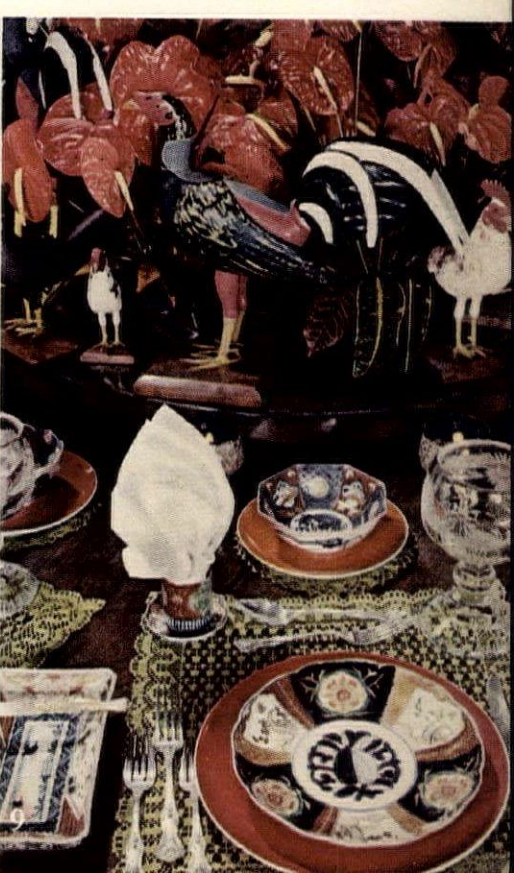
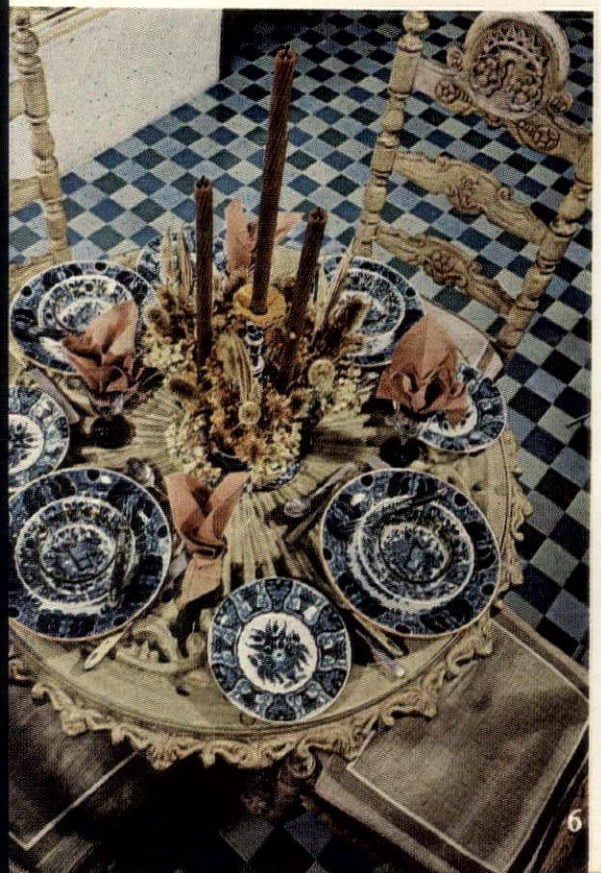
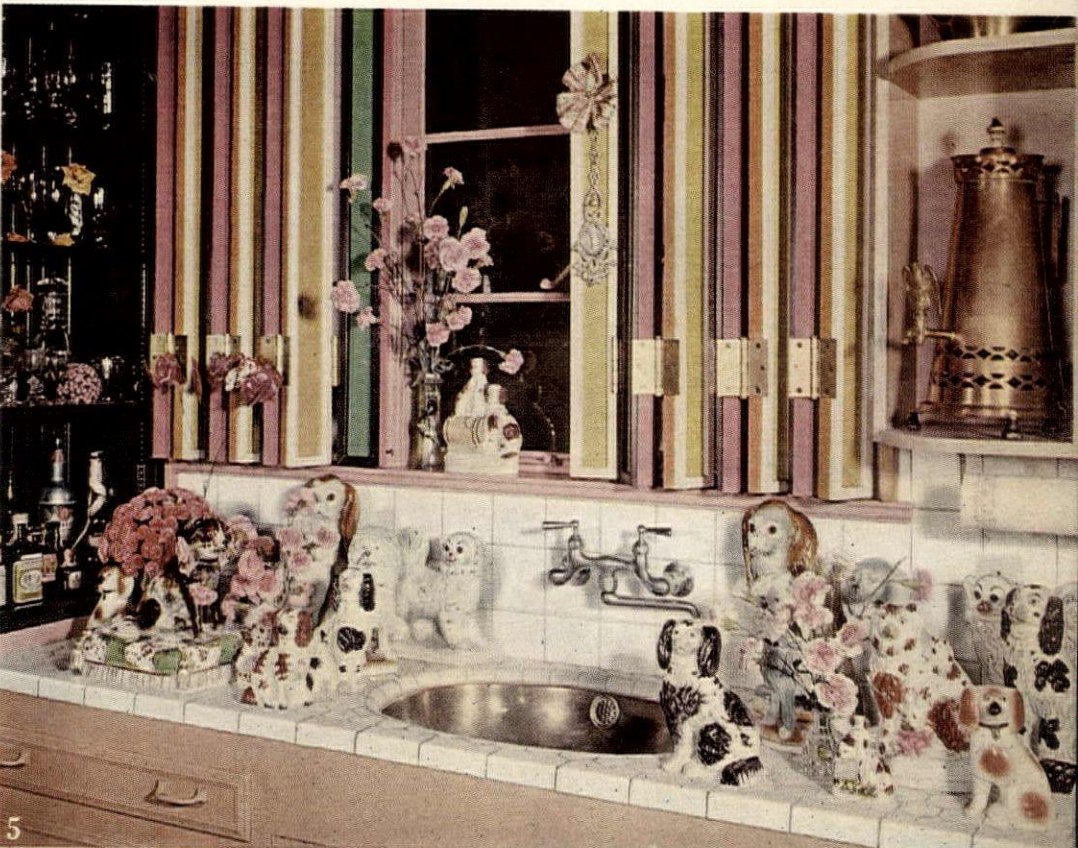
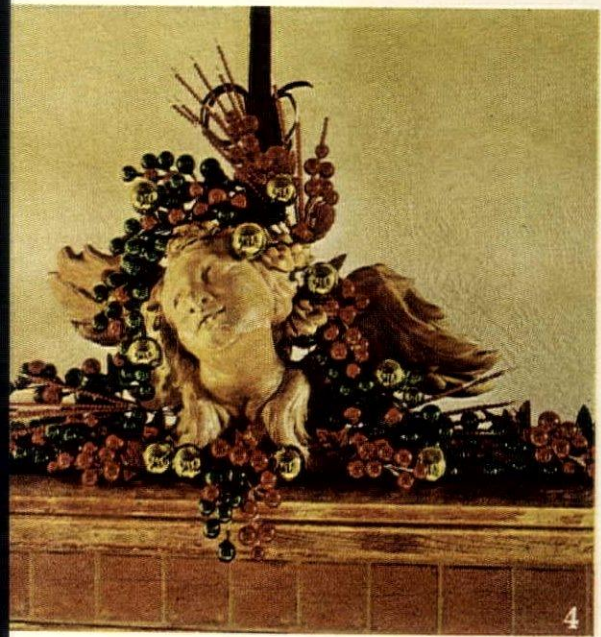
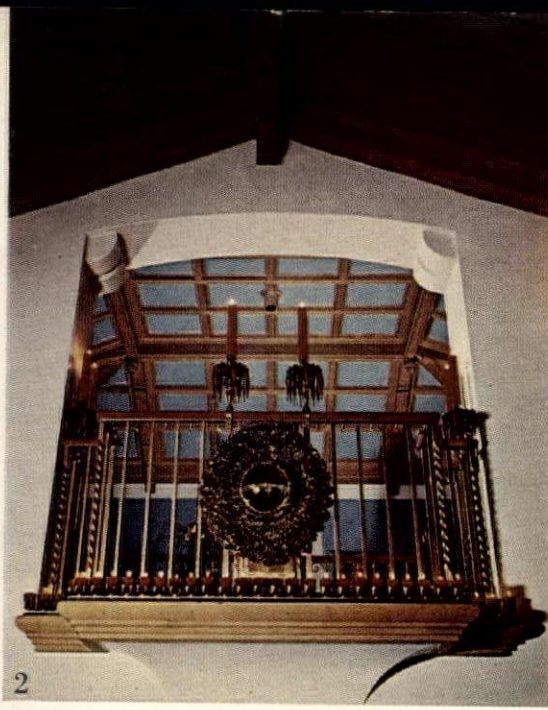
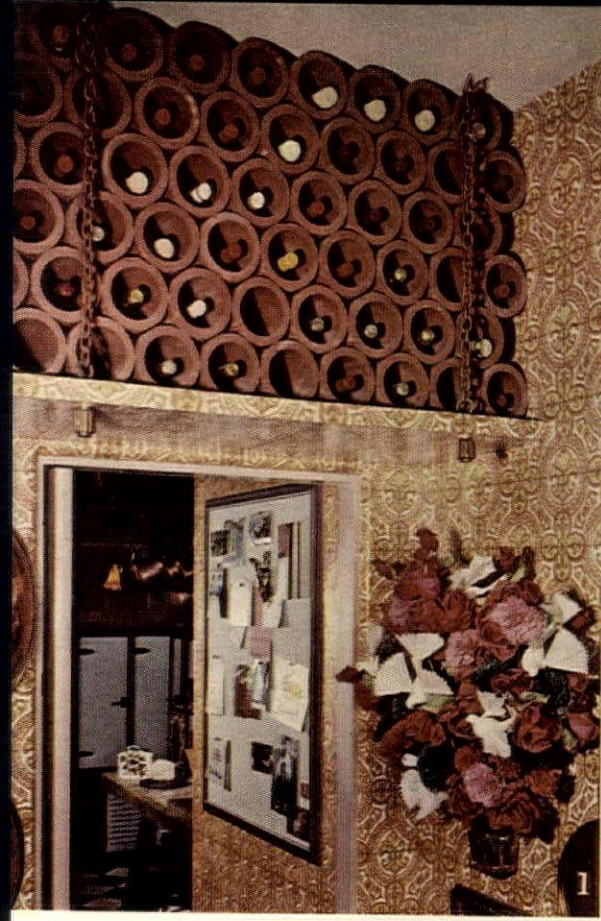
The Prices' chattels and imagination make their house collector's plum pudding.

1. Wine storage—a honeycomb of drainage tile, snug on a shelf over the kitchen door.
2. Decorating a balcony, one of Mrs. Price's jewel-like Christmas wreaths—a huge "collared by gilded pine cones."
3. In the pool house, a roving serving cart, always laden with Mexican glasses, fruit, and paper flowers from Guatemala.
4. In Christmas finery (by Mr. Price's fine Italian hand), a wood and gesso cherub of the elegant school of Bernini.
5. Mr. Price's Staffordshire dogs, a gentle pack acquired in England while he was making a particularly fiendish film.
6. Typical Mary Price table setting: Delft china, a centerpiece of dried seed pods and "stuff," and always, her beautifully folded napkins.
7. Embellishing the poolside façade of the pool house: butterfly tiles made by Fanny Brice's son, William.
8. On an altar from a Mexican Penitente church, a Pre-Columbian idol, dressed for Christmas, votive lights, a riot of Mexican paper flowers.
9. Another table setting: Imari china from Kyoto, and a centerpiece of Hawaiian anthuriums circled by folk art roosters from Puerto Rico.

*"Collecting should be fun.
If you can afford Renoirs,
lovely—if not, there is a
great deal to be said for
China dogs and scrimshaw."*

In Mr. Price's "non-art" book on art, *I Like What I Know*, he asks himself "Why at my ripe age, do I find myself increasingly undogmatic in my taste? And why am I still learning?" Probably because he never stops going to school, never stops buying pictures, and is always willing to take a chance on a young artist whose work intrigues him. The Prices own some valuable paintings, which they love, and many that *may* be valuable some day. Whether they are or not is of no great moment. Everything in their house—from the Modiglianis to some funny little ashtrays that look like jewels and cost ten cents apiece—was chosen because it means something very special to them. They don't try to analyze what they simply feel pleasure. And they can get pleasure from things that often dumbfound other people. In the garden is a 25-foot totem pole that once belonged to John Barrymore. When bug-eyed non-totemists say "A totem pole in your backyard, Mr. Price?" he says "Of course! Doesn't everyone have one?"





THE WRAPPING IS THE MAGIC...

... that transforms the simplest little object into a gift, a shining expression of your affection and joyous holiday wishes. To inspire you in this happy task, H&G has asked eleven famous designers each to create a Christmas package

GENE MOORE

DISPLAY DIRECTOR, TIFFANY & CO.

1 Whimsical incongruity delights Gene Moore and the admirers of his Tiffany windows where he has been known to combine diamonds with dirt, and rubies and emeralds with uncooked spaghetti. In the same vein is his choice of a plain brown paper bag fastened with a weaving of red satin ribbon and a sprig of holly to enclose a really important Christmas gift. "People should not be blind to simple things," he says. "I also like newspaper for gift wrapping, dressed up with ribbon and holly."

WILLIAM ACCORSI

SCULPTOR

2 William Accorsi's wit and inventiveness is evident in the little throne he fashioned of wooden rulers as a box for a small piece of jewelry. He explains the three-dimensional pun as "a gift package fit for the supreme ruler—of your household, of your heart." A sliding bottom that pulls out of the back holds the jewel in place; a slot was cut in the seat so the throne could be used later as a coin bank.

PETER MAX

ARTIST AND DESIGNER

3 Directly to the surface of his Big Gift for his wife—a Lambretta—Peter Max applied his "wrapping" and decked it profusely with Mexican paper flowers. In the ebullient style familiar to collectors of his posters, he painted, in washable media, all the elements of contemporary art that Mrs. Max loves, plus twin portraits of himself, and her name on the headlights. Freely adapted, his method could be applied to any gift too big to wrap.

MALLORY-TILLIS

INTERIOR DESIGNERS

4 "We have seen enough glitter and gold," said the decorating team of Stephen Mallory and James Tillis, so they wrapped their gift box in a froth of blue and white moiré ribbon (which happens to be WAC Good Conduct ribbon). First they anchored the ribbon along the inside top edge of the box, then drew it over the edge, down one side, across the bottom, and up the other side. After repeating this procedure for the other two sides, they wove horizontal strips in and out through the verticals. Bows are short lengths of ribbon tied in single knots and attached with straight pins so they can be removed easily, leaving the ribbon-covered box a gift in itself, to keep and to use.

NOEL TAYLOR

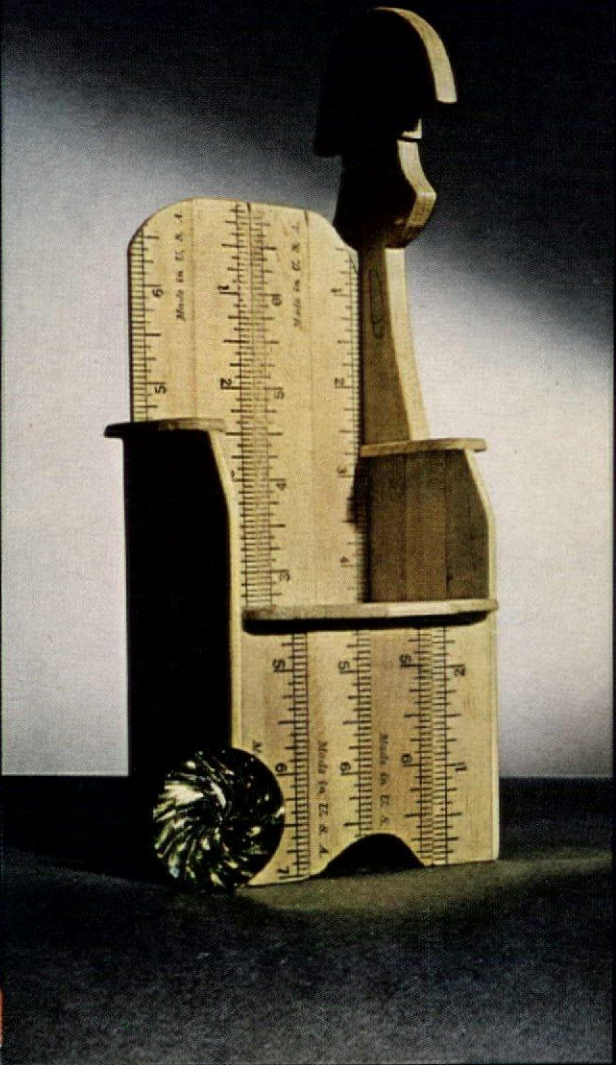
COSTUME DESIGNER

5 Noel Taylor, who once gave Lynn Fontanne an opening-night present wrapped in a piece of fabric left over from one of her costumes, believes "the wrapping should be as personal and individual as the gift inside." For H&G, he designed a package covered with a bit of cloth he used in a costume for the TV production of "Anastasia," with a spill of vibrant Mexican yarns salvaged from another show, "Soldier in Love." The lengths of yarn are glued to the cloth, the paillettes glued to their ends.

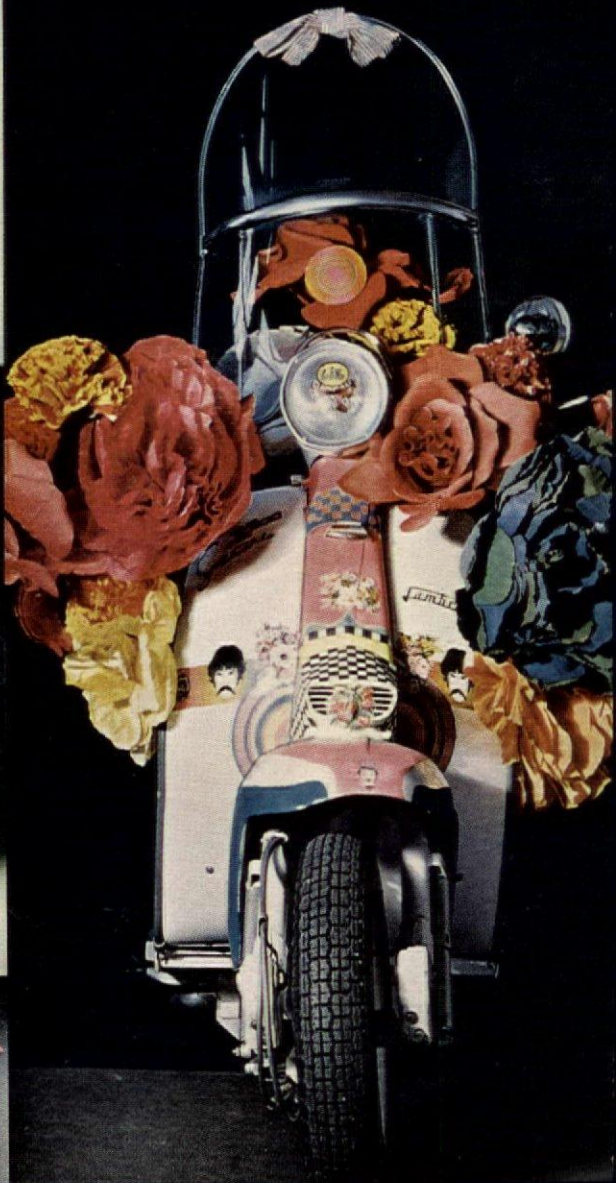
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HORST P. HORST

PHOTOGRAPHER

6 To create a winter moonscape for his gift package, Mr. Horst turned to the black and silvery tones that abound in his dark-room. For wrapping paper, he used negative photostats of fir trees, then outlined each side of the box with a frame of silver lamé ribbon and topped the whole with a loopy bow.

JOHN VESEY

FURNITURE DESIGNER

7 Steel and glass are Mr. Vesey's favorite materials for his very contemporary furniture, and he wanted his gift wrapping to have the same bright shimmer. So he chose a cool blue wrapping paper with an inner shine and a pattern that appears to move "psychedelically," and tied it with shaded ribbon. Similar papers and ribbon are not hard to find.

STEPHEN BARANY

FLORAL DESIGNER

8 Traditional Christmas colors in a surprise combination of plant materials—strawberries, carnations, holly, and string beans—make the exuberant "bow" on Stephen Barany's package. The box top was cut out to hold a shallow tin for the arrangement which was anchored in florist's Oasis. If the Oasis is kept wet, such an arrangement will stay fresh for several days.

FORNASETTI

FURNITURE AND ACCESSORY DESIGNER

9 The Milanese designer Fornasetti believes that an important gift should not have to depend on the reflected glory of tree lights, so he gave his a light and a life of its own. Using a wooden box large enough to hold both the gift and a battery, he connected a cluster of white plastic tree lights to a wire that plugs into the socket which is recessed in a hole cut in the top of the box. The shiny malachite paper is Fornasetti's own design.

ADOLFO

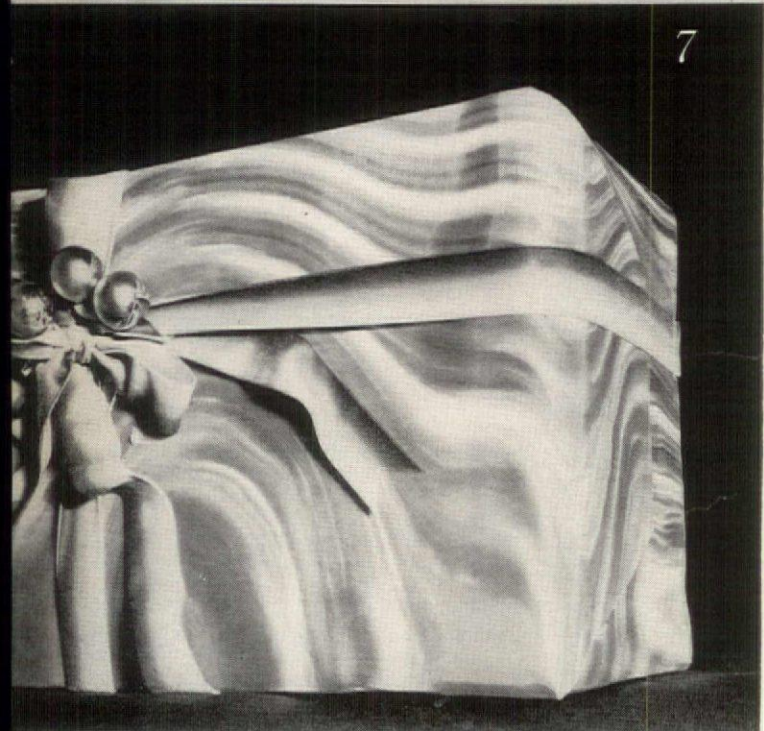
HAT DESIGNER

10 With his special talent for creating fantasies with fabric and flowers, Adolfo fashioned a wonderfully soft and luxurious wrapping for two books. In place of paper, he used one of his own signature scarfs, decked it with French silk millinery anemones, luscious velvet ribbon, and a sprig of wheat. Everything is meant to be kept for permanent use—even the wheat which can be added to a small flower arrangement.

ALEXANDER GIRARD

ARCHITECT AND DESIGNER

11 "The ultimate in shocks of delight" was Mr. Girard's aim in his fifteen-part cube of gifts. Each is wrapped differently from a horde of papers and ribbons collected from all over the world—and embellished with stickers designed by Mr. Girard himself. He admits it was a small engineering feat to make fifteen shapes join in a cube, but since a box of any shape can be made from six pieces of corrugated cardboard and tape, the feat is not impossible. Or the idea of combining differently wrapped packages in one stack could be carried out on a simpler scale by using four or eight boxes of the same size and shape.



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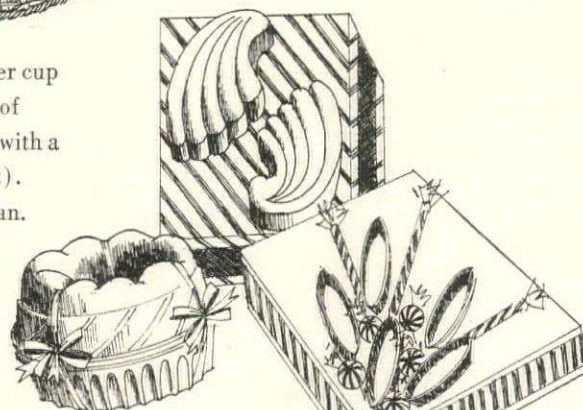
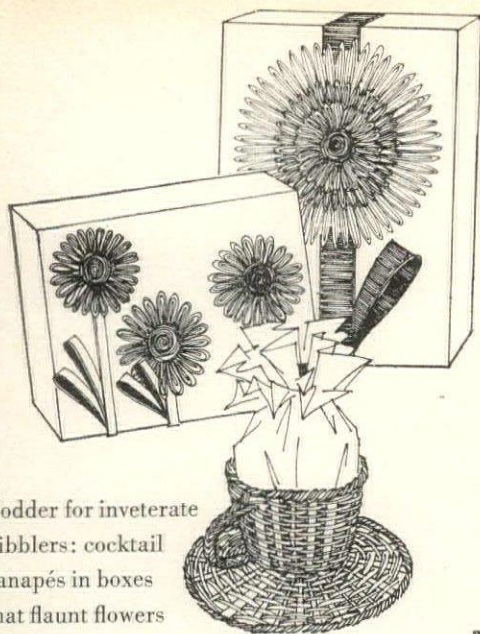


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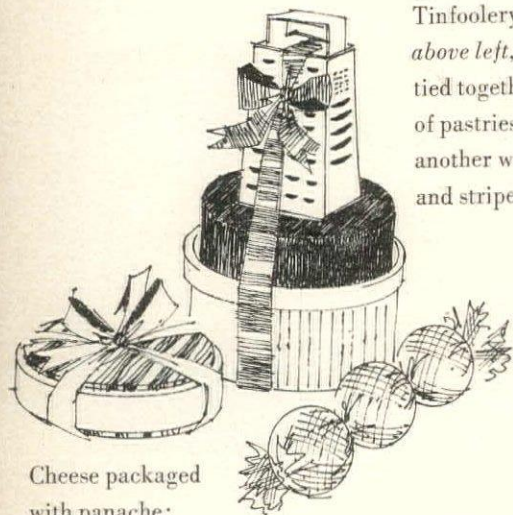


Gifts for gastronomes

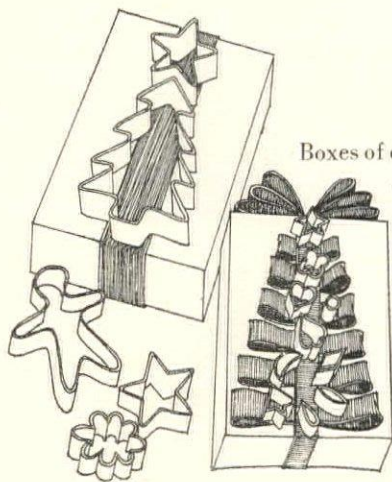
Fodder for inveterate nibblers: cocktail canapés in boxes that flaunt flowers of ribbons and straw coasters, the latter a part of the gift; wicker cup and saucer brimming with a bag of coffee-bean candies (later, lined with a custard cup, it could hold dessert). Package design by Ellen Sheridan.



Tinfoolery: two ring molds, *above left*, packed with pâté and tied together with red ribbon; a box of pastries trigly trimmed with shell molds, another with little boat-shaped pans and striped peppermint candies.

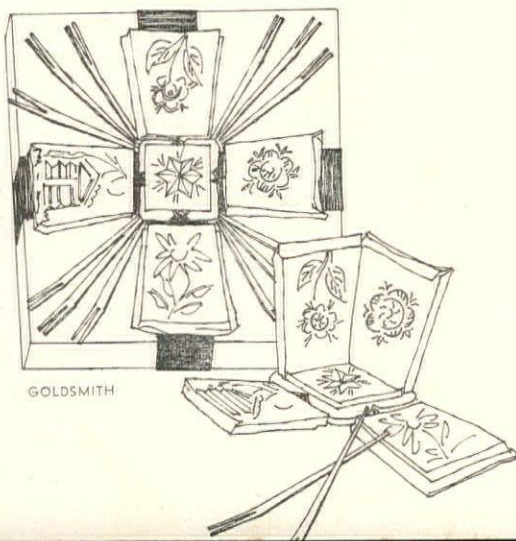


Cheese packaged with panache: Camembert sandwiched between cheeseboards; wheel of Cheddar in soufflé dish with grater; baby Goudas in plastic mesh tubing.



Boxes of cookies embellished with after-Christmas keepsakes: tin cookie jar and aspic cutters glued to ribbon to suggest trompe-l'oeil trees.

Spectacular surface decoration for a simple box of crackers and cheeses: open wood butter mold and slim wood forks glued to red ribbon. Design by Ellen Sheridan.



GOLDSMITH

High on the list of gifts guaranteed to delight everyone are the consumables—magnums of wine, wheels of cheese, and such specialties from your kitchen as a crock of your own pâté maison or a marinade with a secret ingredient. But it is really inventive packaging—mad, mod, or as merry as you like—that makes all the difference between the gift that is welcomed and the gift that is really enjoyed. Diversion isn't the only thing, though, to consider when you wrap up food; there should be a little method in your madness. Hint at the nature of your gift by the container you put it in or the decoration on the box, and be sure to include in a prominent position a card announcing any essential data: the name of the food, how to store and serve it, how long it can be expected to keep. Deliver it by hand if possible. If you must rely on the not-so-tender mercies of the mails, be sure everything is well cushioned and clearly labeled "fragile," "perishable," and "rush." Glue, ribbon, and a few inexpensive items from housewares or gift shops are all you need for any package on this page. For goodies to put in the packages, see H&G's Christmas Gift Cook Book, page 173.

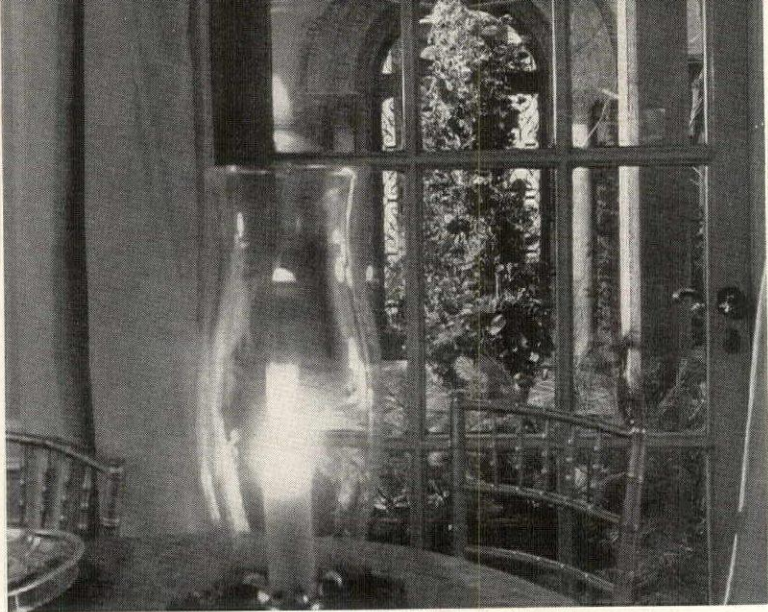
A batch of bright and droll ideas for Christmas consumables: Edam cheese caged in a homemade crate; cookies cosseted with layers of bright tissue in a clear glass jar; bottle of salad dressing sheathed in a cardboard cone wound with colored yarns. Imaginative containers designed to be kept after the goodies are gone: clear glass tree ornaments filled with special spices; funny-face fish casserole with beard of dill, a belly full of pickled salmon concealed in his glazed interior; a gold luster soufflé dish packed with a fruitcake, and a zingy box to transport them both; a go-along diversion for a gift of nuts—a nutty cracker, actually a gluing clamp, its handles painted scarlet.

For shopping information, turn to page 187.



CANDLELIGHT DANCE

continued



Garden courtyard is a lovely sight with three holly trees, pine garlands, soft illumination.



At children's party, candy canes and toys on glittering tree are the favorite treat.

MENU

Pâté en croûte
Smoked turkey
Outsize brioche stuffed with scalloped oysters, Smithfield ham, mushrooms
Shrimp and parsley tree, curry dip sauce
Green salad with violet blossoms and leaves
Croquembouche
Chocolate mousse and ladyfingers mold
Fresh fruit salad
Bûche de Noël
Christmas cookies



Dancing party begins with harp music, champagne, and a chance to talk.



Much later, after supper, guest Mabel Mercer delights all with her singing

massed along the walls, and red velvet cushions, for extra seating, were scattered on the floor. More red and white flowers—*anemones, carnations, roses, lilacs, snapdragons, tulips, geraniums*—were mixed with holly and pine and arranged high up on bookshelves, mantels, and an armoire where they would be clearly visible and not compete with the gala raiment of the guests. Last of all, the whole place was lighted with dozens of red and white candles. "There were 200 tiny white candles on the Christmas tree alone," recalls Mr. Nelson. A 20-foot beauty, the tree scraped the living room ceiling and was decorated with ornaments he has been collecting since he was a child.

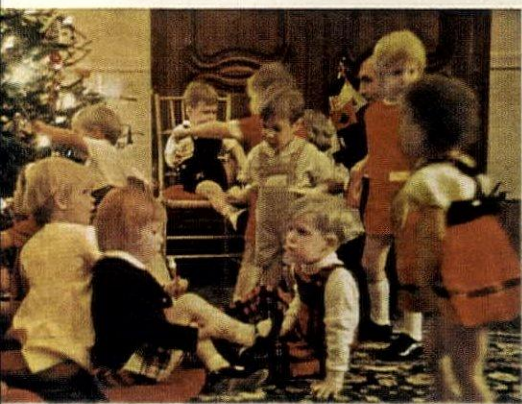
Guests were invited for 8:30 P.M. A red-coated footman opened the door and showed the way to the living room, which had been cleared of all furniture except the piano, and set up with gilt chairs and five round tables covered with handsome Fortuny cloths. The party started quietly, cozily. A harpist played eighteenth-century Christmas music, and trays of champagne and plates of cucumber and watercress sandwiches were passed around by a team of waiters. As more and more people arrived, the six-piece orchestra struck up and the dancing began. Guests included all ages—from sixteen to eighty—and the music swirled from waltzes to rock and roll.

Shortly before 11:00, the buffet supper (see menu, *left*) was served in the dining room. Guests helped themselves and settled wherever they wanted (no place cards) at one of the big round tables covered with green and silver cloths. After supper, when everyone was back in the living room, came one of the highlights of the evening. "Mabel Mercer, who has been a dear friend for years, sang for us," recounts Mr. Nelson. "She started with 'A Partridge in a Pear Tree' and went on from there for about an hour and a half. It was a marvelous treat. After that, we just danced and danced—until 4:30 in the morning."

Three days after his dance, the inexhaustible Mr. Nelson gave his annual children's party—a tradition that started several Christmases ago when he simply said to friends, "Do bring your children to see the tree." The children came, had a grand time, and the spontaneous happening grew into a yearly party. They arrive at 4:00—usually about forty-five of them—with mothers, with nannies, or on their own, and stay two or three hours. There are Christmas cookies and apple juice aplenty, but the star turn is, always, the tree. Heaped beneath it are small presents for each child, and hung on the lower branches are candy canes to take home, horns to make a ferocious din with, and all the more toylike tree ornaments—drums, soldiers, dolls, unicorns—which Mr. Nelson enjoys seeing the children play with. "That's what the tree is for," he says.



Magnificent croquembouche crowns dessert table. Alongside, champagne cools in old English cellaret.



Gathered around on cushions, chairs, the floor, children chatter, never stray far from the tree.

Smoked turkey, right, is thinly sliced and put back together with garnish of fruit and holly.



Candle in Mexican tin holder with hurricane gives warm, flickery light to each table.



GOURMET LUNCHEON

*in the marvelous kitchen
of a famous cook*

"One of the nicest ways to celebrate Christmas," says Julia Child, television's "French Chef" and co-author of *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*, "is with something delicious to eat." When she and her husband Paul Child, who is a painter and photographer, invite friends for one of their superb meals at Christmastime, they love to set the table—if the party is only for six or eight—right in the kitchen. Agleam with copper and fragrant with the good smells of baking and cooking, the kitchen seems a particularly appropriate, festive setting for Christmas entertaining. "Besides wonderful food and wine," says Paul Child, "We love to have good friends and family at Christmas—usually the older generation because we have the younger ones at Thanksgiving. So at Christmas we have more sophisticated things to eat."

A fine time for a small party, the Childs think, is the day before Christmas: a luncheon for six with a sumptuous menu. The party starts in the library with champagne and *pâté de foie gras* topped with chopped truffles (*see opposite page, below right*) and accompanied by oven-made melba toast. When lunch is ready, everyone moves into the kitchen. Small candles flicker on the countertop next to the table (*see opposite page, top right*), and the table itself is a lovely festive composition of red and silver. At Christmastime the Childs use some of their most decorative cooking objects in various ways to add a holiday luster. Lots of French tinware is mixed with red plates and striped red napkins and placed directly on the handsome bare Norwegian pine table (which Mr. Child keeps a lovely pale color by scrubbing with detergent). For a centerpiece, half-a-dozen rice steamers are piled with red Christmas tree balls in a large tin bowl. More rice steamers and red tree balls are heaped in a three-tiered French wire epergne on the countertop.

The Childs like a menu (*see right*) that is partly untraditional. Lobster bisque is served from a tureen on the table. When it is time for the next course, Mr. Child carves the roast filet on a rolling hot table beside his chair. For dessert, guests move into the living room and settle comfortably while Julia Child sets up on an antique French commode, the traditional French ending to a Christmas meal—the beautiful, candlelit *bûche de Noël*.



Julia and Paul Child admire a just completed creation for a holiday party.



Miniature Christmas tree on a chest carved by Mr. Child greets guests with scent of Christmas as soon as they step into the house.

MENU

Lobster bisque (Wine: Meursault)
Roast contre filet
(Wine: Clos de Vougeot)
Brussels sprouts
Baked cherry tomatoes
Homemade French bread
Bûche de Noël



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In the Child household, Christmas celebrations and decorations center around their love of good food. 1. Christmas tree in entrance hall is laden with dozens of homemade cookies, lit with tiny white lights, and, for fun, ringed with antique cake and dessert molds which add a marvelous gleam of their own. 2. Shining copper on the wall, shining tinware on the table create a festive atmosphere for kitchen luncheon party. 3. French wire wine cooler takes on a Christmasy look in minutes with Christmas balls hung around edge, sprigs of holly tucked into ice. 4. Traditional French *bûche de Noël* is prettily illuminated with small, plump candles and Venini paperweights.

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OTTO MAYA



In the living room, *above*, wreath suspended by red velvet ribbons forms a pretty canopy over punch bowl. Sherry and glasses tied with red ribbons, *right*, are ready for unexpected visitors.



Big wreath on front door heralds season.



Mrs. Pelikan pours coffee for guests.

MENU

Christmas casserole with chicken, water chestnuts, mushrooms, pistachio nuts
 Baked ham with pineapple glaze and red cherries
 Cranberry-orange mold, sour cream
 Herb bread
 Chocolate torte
 Christmas cookies

OPPOSITE PAGE:

"It's amazing," says Mrs. Pelikan, "how much the smallest touches help to make a house look Christmasy." 1. Wreath of real fruit around terra-cotta statuette. 2. Red velvet bow tied on punch ladle. 3. On old washstand in kitchen, red-and-green still life of "the next day's salad." 4. Sprigs of holly on a fruitcake. 5. Tiny presents for each member of family at Christmas Eve supper. 6. Pert green bows tied on bowl full of shiny red apples. 7. Red candles to light music stand, red ribbon to mark page. 8. Evergreen wreath accented with Swedish straw wreath. 9. Gingerbread house decorated with gumdrops, ribbon candy, cotton snow. 10. Fake lemon tree heaped with real lemons. 11. Newel post topped with pine, a big bow, a small dwarf. 12. Dining table centerpiece of tiny Christmas ornaments from many lands.

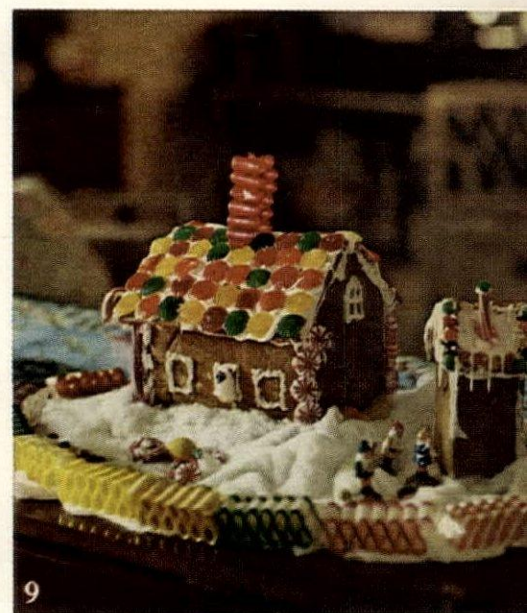
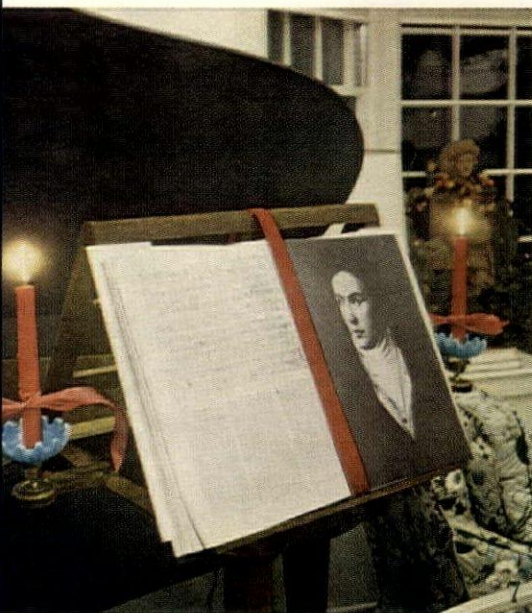
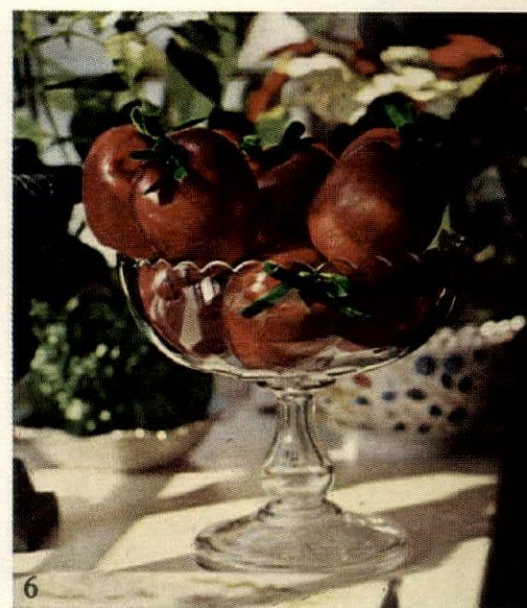
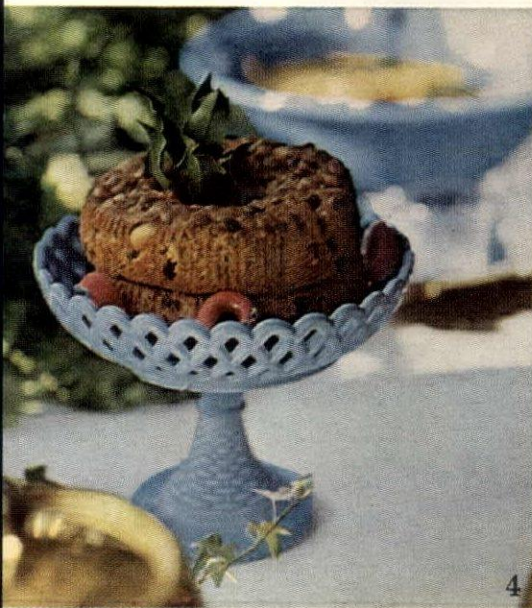
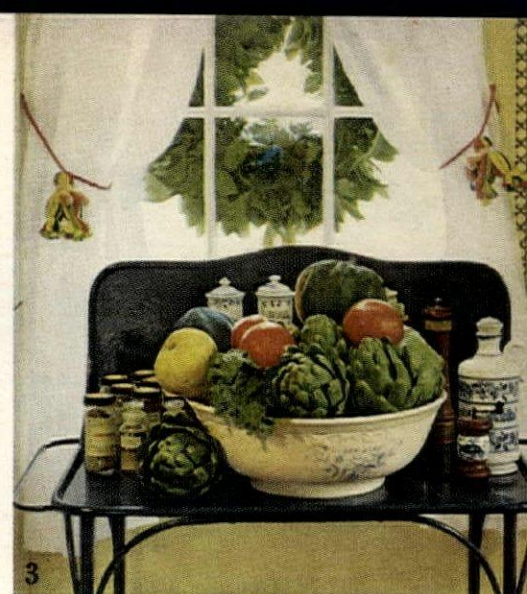
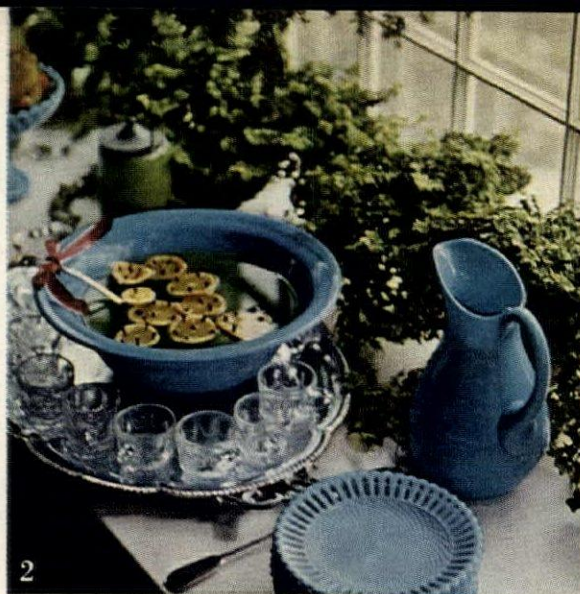
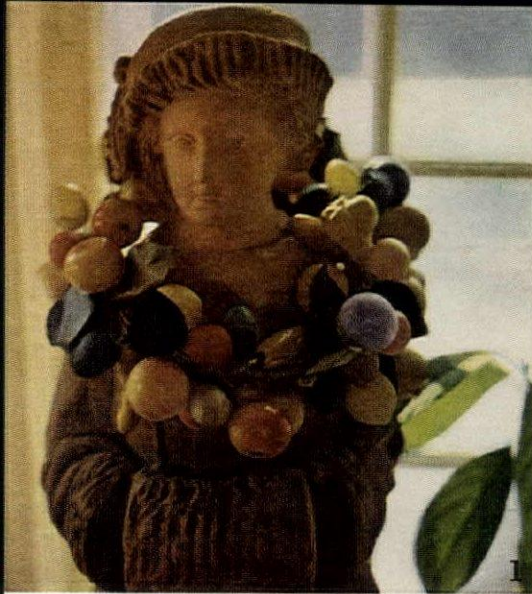
NON-STOP FESTIVITIES in a house that brims over with Christmas

"I'd love Christmas to begin long before and last long after," says Mrs. Miles Pelikan of Darien, Conn. She is in fact one of those rare people who does seem to make it last longer by scheduling a whole seasonful of hospitality. Ever since she was a child in Northern Michigan where Christmas was always a big event ("we would make gifts for months beforehand and go out into the forest and cut our own tree. And sometimes we would be snowed in for days over Christmas"), Mrs. Pelikan has always felt it important "to live Christmas fully." Her husband, whose ancestry is Czechoslovakian, also has Christmas in his blood. "It isn't Christmas for him," says his wife, "until there's the smell of anise cookies in the air."

Early in December, the first touch of Christmas appears on the Pelikans' red and white New England saltbox—traditional laurel wreaths hung on the front door and outside the windows. As Christmas nears, the house is decked inside for the holiday entertaining. In the two-story living room, swags of evergreens are hung on banisters of stairs that lead up to a balcony. Red velvet bows are tied around the lamps. Bowls are filled with holly, ringed with candles. Huge wreaths are hung on each side of the immense living room fire-

place, and, of course, the tree is set up—tall enough to touch the ceiling. Then comes the baking: Christmas cookies of all kinds, and a gingerbread house that Mrs. Pelikan has been making every year since her four children were tiny. Now, all but one of the children are grown and live as far away as California, but every year the whole family gathers for the holidays and Christmas wouldn't be complete without the yearly gingerbread house. Three or four days before Christmas there is always a party—forty or fifty friends of all ages, invited for 6:30 P.M. (Last year the Pelikans asked their guests to come in Colonial costume, which they thought would be fun in the saltbox.) Guests arrive to find the whole house lighted with masses of red candles, and pungent with the smell of hot punch. Later, there is a buffet supper (see menu, *above*). After that, a young child reads *The Christmas Story*, and there is caroling around the piano.

For the next few weeks, the Pelikans' hospitality continues. Fruitcake and sherry are always ready for friends who drop in. And for the family themselves, each meal is a festive occasion with table decorations (composed of ornaments collected ever since Mrs. Pelikan's childhood) and small surprises to prolong the holiday celebration.

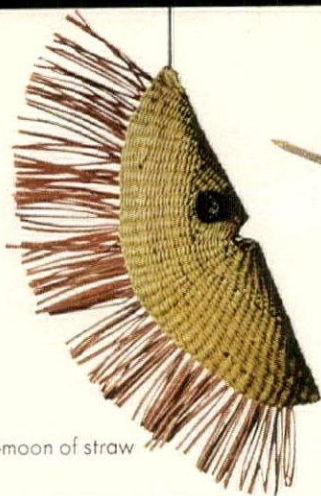




Bright hand-knitted bird from Peru



Mexican papier-mâché mouse



Fringed half-moon of straw



Befana, the good witch

God rest you merry



A pair of bell-shaped paper earrings



Thai fish made of shiny painted palm



Hand-blown glass deer



Wool-decorated hand mirror



Papier-mâché star "cookie"



Straw angel from Ecuador

Hand-knitted symbol of the Eye of God



Mexican wool flower

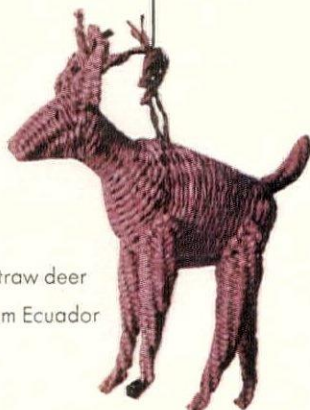


Elegant beaded egg

Beribboned, bejeweled satin ball



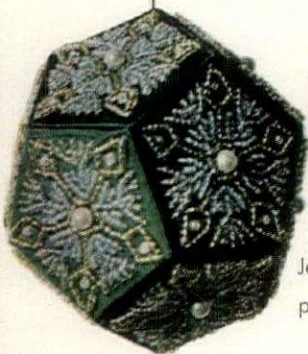
Straw deer from Ecuador



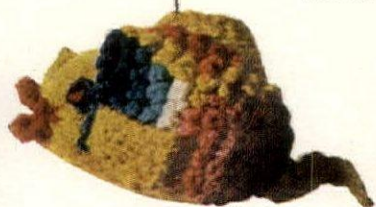
Indian brass bell



Mexican tin butterfly



Stuffed fish, knitted and knotted



Sweetly smiling wooden clown



Jewel-covered twelve-sided pendant of silk



A whole cluster of paper earrings

Shiny, papier mâché Alice and a Wonderland courtier



43 ENCHANTERS FOR YOUR TREE

A Christmas tree is a glistening, pungent, irresistible invitation to indulge the urge to decorate that lurks in all of us. Which is no doubt why every little object that we hang on the waiting branches is charged with so much



Sisal sunburst



Winking straw sun



Angel worked in wool

Come,
bring with
your noise,
ye merry,
merry boys



Urbane straw Santa



Peruvian rooster
knitted
and stuffed



Papier-mâché camel



Snowy white felt angel

SHEPHERDS!
SHAKE
OFF
YOUR
DROWSY
SLEEP



"Gingerbread" man of felt

Rise
and leave
your silly
sheep



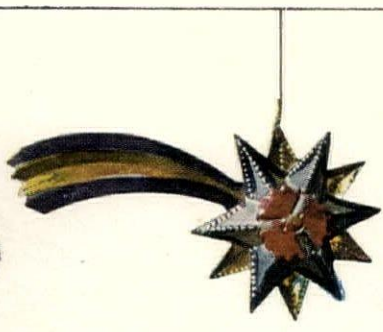
Bauble of hammered tin



Angel of
burlap and straw



"Gingerbread" house of felt



Tailed tin comet from Mexico



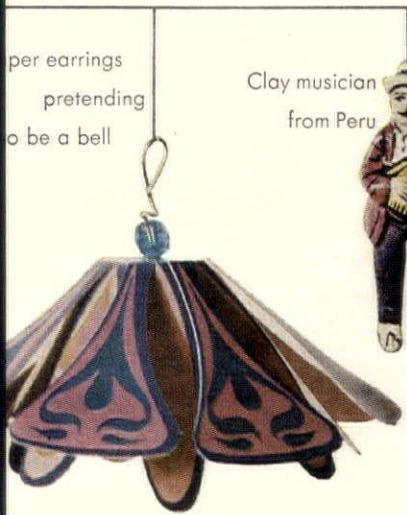
Scalloped Indian brass bell



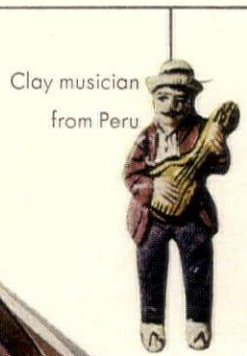
Santa stocking with belled toe



Sequined,
pearl-dotted ball



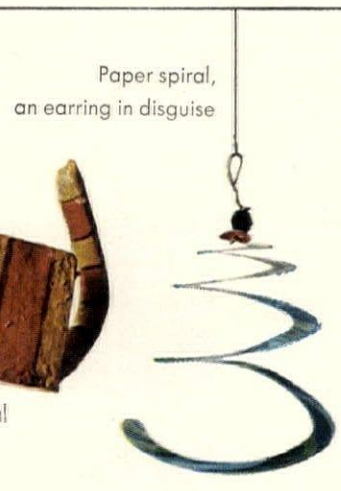
Paper earring
pretending
to be a bell



Clay musician
from Peru

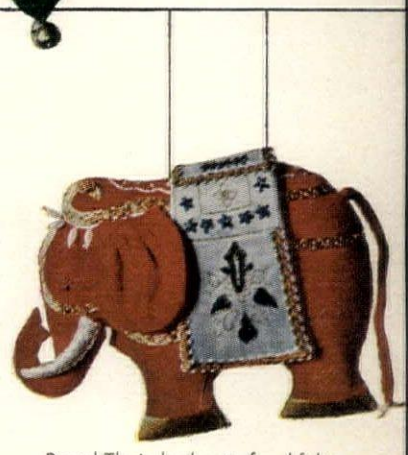


Painted papier-mâché animal



Paper spiral,
an earring in disguise

Heigh,
Sir Ass,
oh
heigh



Regal Thai elephant of red felt

PHOTOGRAPHS BY BEADLE

sentiment and delight. And to crown the pleasure of seeing once again the familiar friends of Christmases past is the discovery each year of an endearing new addition to the bright company—or two or three. This year, from all over the world, H&G has gathered together forty-three such treasures, not least among them one of the newest conceits to be made of paper, a horde of zingy paper earrings. Every one of our ornaments is ready to be bought in some shop somewhere. For the specifics, please turn to page 187.

HOUSE in the LIFE of a PLAY- WRIGHT

Edward Albee's
Greenwich Village
carriage house

By ANNE STAGG

Cast: Edward Albee, black-haired, lean, intense, thirty-nine-year-old author of a flock of potent plays (among them *The Zoo Story*, *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, *A Delicate Balance*, and this season's *Everything in the Garden*). Cat-quick as he moves across a room, Mr. Albee gives an impression of taut, flashing fierceness, strongly reminiscent of a Spanish bullfighter. In addition to Mr. Albee, a visitor, four cats—Boy, George, Tigger, Cunégonde—and two Pekingese—Spider and Pucci—who dart playfully, constantly, everywhere.

Scene: A white-painted, three-story carriage house, built a century or so ago, on a pretty street lined with trees and fine old brownstones in New York City's Greenwich Village. The house is deep and spacious even though not very tall. On the ground floor, the garage plus utility and storage rooms; on the second floor, a sitting room sometimes used for play readings, a dining room, a kitchen, and two workrooms cluttered with teetering piles of manuscripts, letters, books, magazines stacked on desk tops, windowsills, even the floor; on the third floor, a large living room, a bar, a book-lined study, and at the back of the house a bedroom opening onto a terrace. In surprising contrast to the spanking white exterior, nearly all the rooms are sheathed in very dark brown.

It is late afternoon and darkening outside. A few lamps are on and the combination of soft lighting and dark walls brings out the nuances of many paintings hung throughout the house.

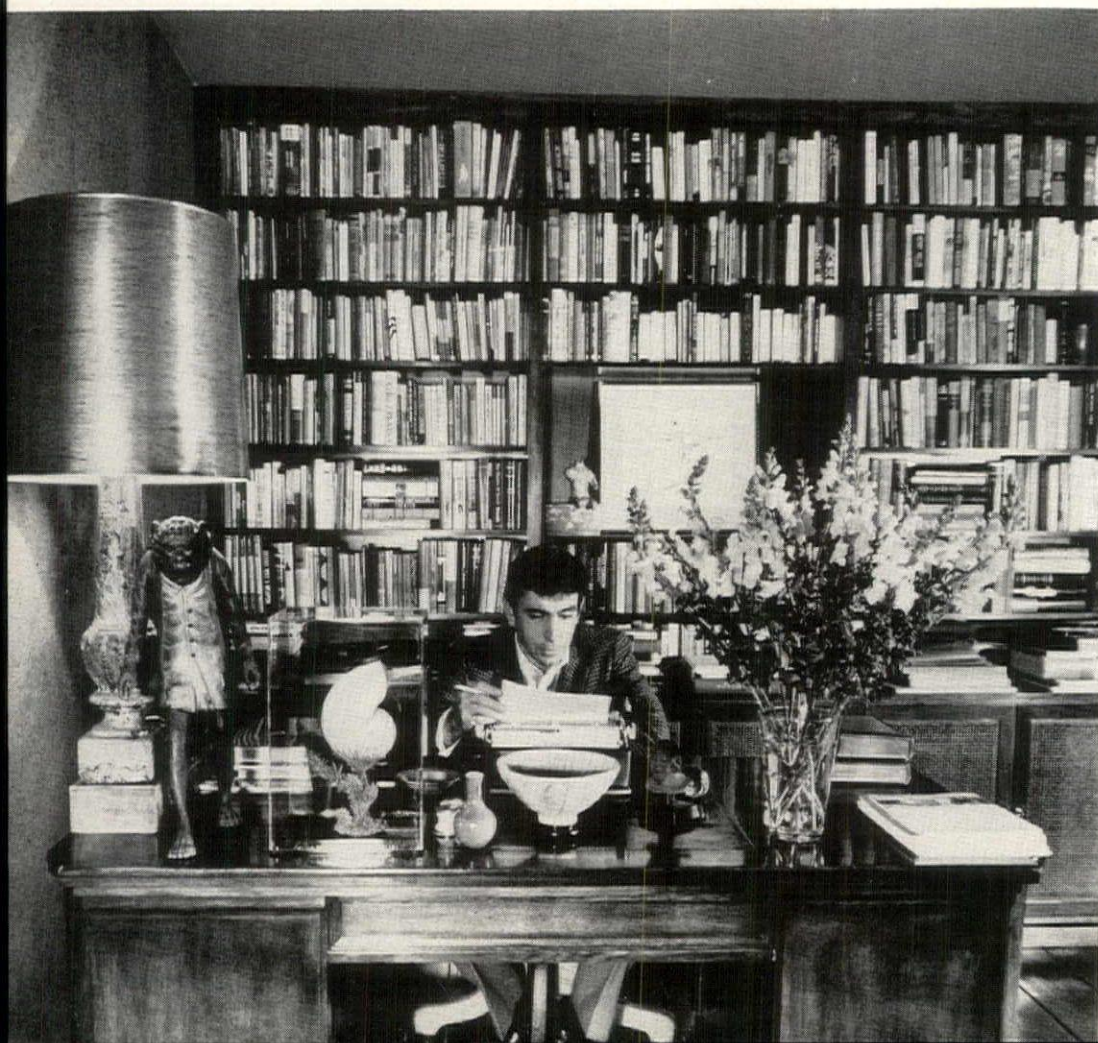
Albee: (he wears a dark tweed jacket, gray flannels, and a white shirt open at the throat, and he smokes a cigarette while reminiscing about the house). I've only had the house about three years, but I've lived in the Village since I was eighteen. That's over twenty years. I still prefer it to uptown even though they keep tearing so much of it down, and it's getting too crowded. Nevertheless, it's a little quieter, a little more like country. When I first came to the Village, I lived almost across the street from this house. The first day, I took a walk out and noticed the group of four or five lovely houses on this side of the block, especially this white one, and I thought, 'Wouldn't that be a nice place to live someday.' The house belonged to the actor Maurice Evans, but I didn't know that then. Many years later, one day about three years ago, I heard by accident that Maurice had decided to sell his house. That was on a Sunday, and it was going on the market on Monday. I had never seen the house inside so I went over right away, looked at it, and closed the deal the same evening. Today, there's not a wall or floor or anything that looks the same. William Pennington—he was my interior decorator—and I combined ideas and transformed the house.

Visitor: What was the biggest change?

Albee: The colors. We used almost nothing but browns and black all through the house. For walls, floors, furniture. I'm hardly ever home during the day in the city, you see. New York is mostly business, rehearsals, things like that—I do my writing in the country—so I use the city house mostly in the evenings. It's a nighttime house and we made it look like one. Dark colors give a nice feeling of enclosure, of interior, at night. Also, they're more restful, more comfortable. (Continued on page 196)

Mr. Albee uses library-study first thing in morning to get himself together, make phone calls, notes.

The enormous Franz Kline in the living room made it into the house with a quarter of an inch to spare. Hanging above the sofa, which is one of three in the room, is Joan Miró's oil "Oiseaux dans un paysage"







GRIGSBY

Three paintings by Milton Avery dominate one wall in the living room. Coffee table was originally a Korean b

"Dark colors give a feeling of enclosure"

Old American trunk in bedroom came from Greenwich Village's Hudson Street. Coverlet is Spanish.

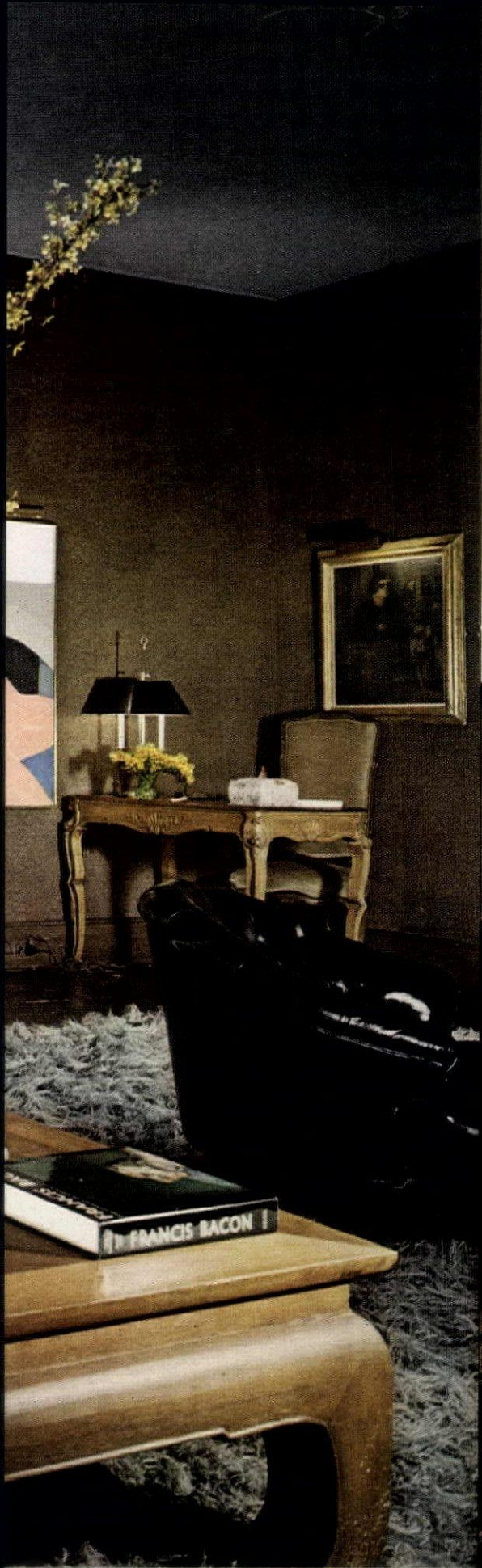
HOUSE & GARDEN, DECEMBER, 1947



PLAYWRIGHT'S HOUSE
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Curtains of striped French cotton complete enclosure of sitting room at night.



Wall of mirrors in windowless dining room increases its space, its light, its luster.



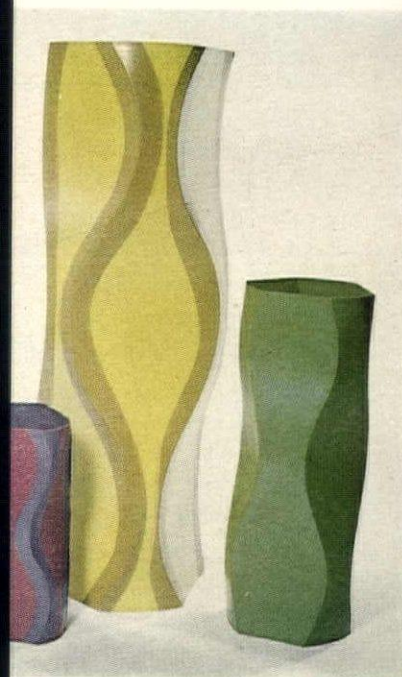
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Hand-loomed wall hanging, RIGHT, of tissue-paper strips and rayon twine. By Rosalea, New York City.

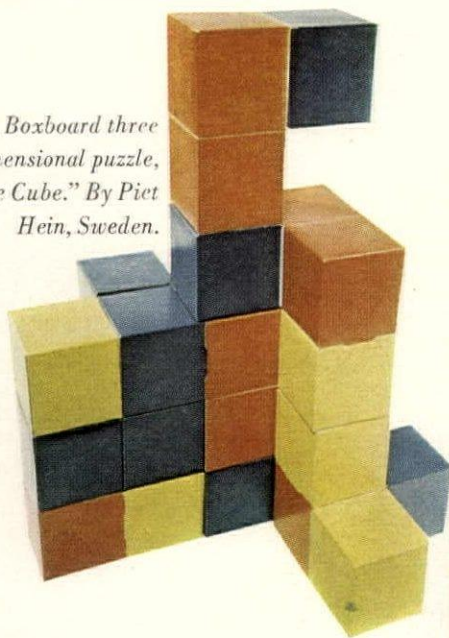


Origami kangaroo fashioned in the oriental technique of folding without cutting. By Sidney E. French, Sussex, England.

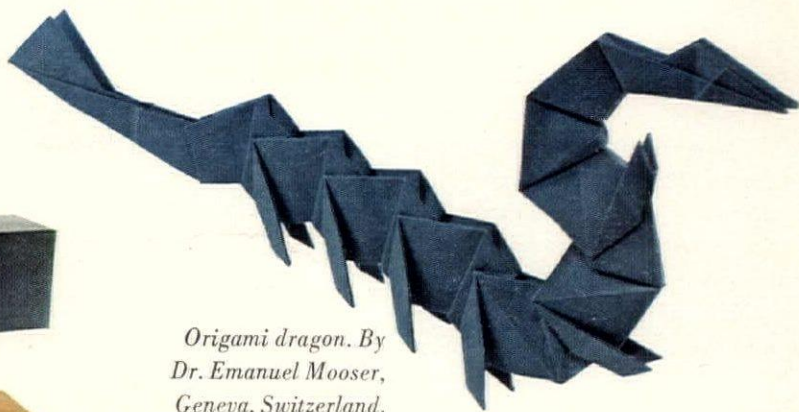


Sculptural vases of paper, folded and painted. By John R. Berry, student Cranbrook Academy of Art, Michigan.

Boxboard three dimensional puzzle, "The Cube." By Piet Hein, Sweden.



Origami dragon. By Dr. Emanuel Mooser, Geneva, Switzerland.

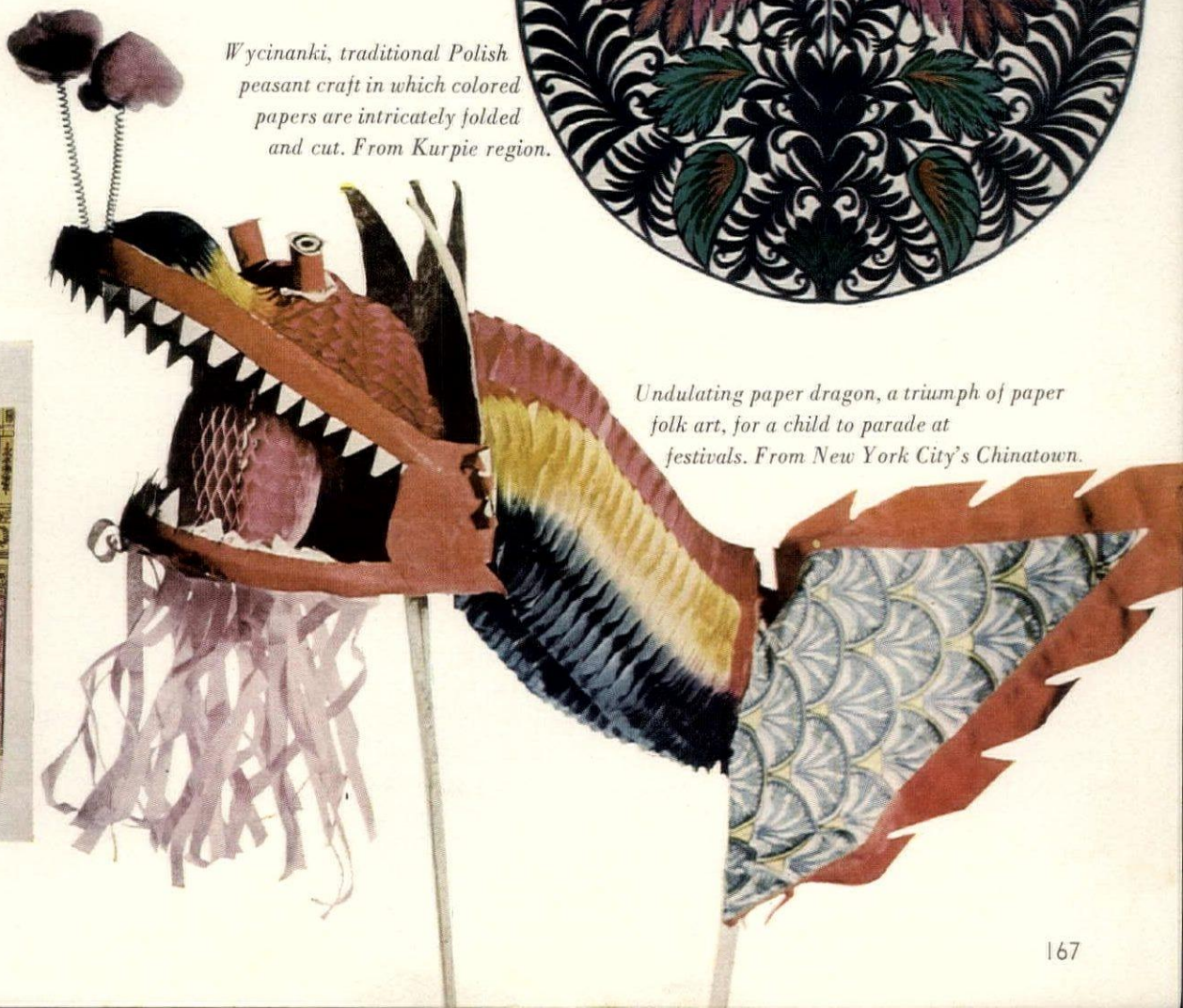


Enameled chip board horse that a child can sit on. By Bernard Holdaway, Hull Traders, England.

Wycinanki, traditional Polish peasant craft in which colored papers are intricately folded and cut. From Kurpie region.



Undulating paper dragon, a triumph of paper folk art, for a child to parade at festivals. From New York City's Chinatown.



Cut-and-fold replica of Victoria Theatre in London, complete with paper play and players. Pollock's Toy Theatres, England.

A GARDENER GOES TO SOUTH AMERICA

BY RALPH BAILEY

I wanted to see how people gardened below the equator, to find out whether morning glories twined clockwise or counterclockwise down there (I still don't know). I wanted to see, growing outdoors, plants that I have known up here only in greenhouses. I wanted to find out if people loved their public parks and squares and made them as beautiful as they almost always do in Europe and almost never do in the U.S. I wanted to go to Brazil to talk again with Roberto Burle Marx, one of the great landscape designers of the world—and of course to see more of his work at close range.

So with Braniff's now truly international help, I booked open tickets down the west coast of South America and partway back up the east coast to Rio. I found out that to get into Brazil at all you have to show the man at the counter a firm reservation out. That gave me a compulsory return date; otherwise I might still be down there.

I did not have enough time to waste any of it in becoming accustomed to the high altitudes at which so much of the best of South America is to be found. So I stuck to the valleys and the forests and the lakes and the deserts and the foothills—where also much of the best of South America is to be found. Cali, Colombia, first real stop after leaving Kennedy airport, is all of 350 feet up. Lima, Peru just barely rises above the Callao waterfront. Santiago, Chile is in a broad and verdant valley. Puerto Montt, on the Gulf of Chiloé, is of course at sea level, as is Buenos Aires, northeastward in Argentina. Rio de Janeiro ripples out of the Atlantic and Guanabara Bay, then climbs the switchbacks of a wild coastal escarpment half-a-mile up to Petrópolis, where the incredible Monteiro garden, *opposite page*, nestles among the lush hills.

Cali is a bustling commercial town that dominates the fertile and humid Cauca valley, as green as the emeralds for which Colombia is famous. Within a stone's throw is a tidy (but not tiny) orchid farm where plants by the thousands are strung on barbed wire from tree to tree (the barbs keep them

in place). It is run by a retired Cali surgeon and supplies a wide cut-flower trade, besides being a handsome catalogue of ornamental orchid varieties. Several other nurseries ~~among~~ the cane fields (this is sugar not coffee country) swarmed with bougainvilleas, fan palms, and rainbow swatches of succulents and bedding plants with many-colored foliage.

Along the main valley road that runs in the simmering heat from Medellín in the north to sleepy and so-Spanish Popayan, many of the pink brick and stucco houses in which cane cutters live had doorways framed with gay containers of native plants (see page 184). When I first noticed them on the way up the valley, I thought the containers were ceramic. When I stopped to look at them on the way back, I found they were ingeniously cut oil cans, painted with green and yellow stripes, wired to the walls, and dripping with chlorophytum, small aroids, trailers of philodendron, and twinkling plants I never was able to identify.

Cali itself scarcely proved a tourist's paradise. It is a bustling business city. But the morning after my arrival, I discovered, across the river from my hotel, an enchanting handkerchief-size park that was all sun-dappled grass and small groves of trees and inviting benches. The park's principal glory was a marble monument to one Jorge Isaacs (see page 184), an immigrant to Colombia during the last century who apparently married the boss' daughter and later became the country's leading poet. What especially fascinated me about the monument was the strictly Jane Austen grouping of the youthful Jorge, leaning over his adoring and adored one, who in turn is reading to him from a volume in her lap. A noble hound gazes up with impartial adoration at the young couple. Then, literally to cap all, the elderly Jorge, looking for all the world like Mr. Justice Holmes in his late years, surveys the whole lovely scene with stern benevolence. At both ends of the day, I repaired to the little park. It renewed my sunburned spirit in a way I had not realized a statue in a garden could.

The best of the trip lay ahead. In Lima, the streets are paved with sunlight and the museums are lined with gold—Inca gold. They (the writers of travel advertisements) are trying to make Lima the Paris of South America—with swimming. Tommyrot. Lima is one of the half-dozen truly great cities of the continent that is always and unmistakably itself.

Everyone who has been to Lima extolls the grandeur of the cathedral in the Plaza de Armas and the beauty of the Torre-Tagle Palace down a side street nearby. The cathedral I could take or leave as a symbol of alien conquest. But the palace, with its wondrous wooden jalousies, its superbly tiled and galleried courtyards, was quite another matter. If it taught me a special lesson, it was to see how color, in a courtyard or any other open area, can be carried to the eye in a hundred ways: tiles, carved timbers, images of never-never plants on walls, floors, and ceilings. (Continued on page 184)

High on the coastal escarpment above Rio de Janeiro, pyramidal hills encircle some of the most beautiful private gardens in the world, of which a spectacular example is that of Sra. Odette Monteiro. This entire glade, on the outskirts of Petrópolis, once summer residence of Brazil's last emperor, was reshaped, replanned, and replanted with the finest of the country's own plants by landscape designer Roberto Burle Marx, who was given a completely free hand. The whole vast garden was conceived almost as a painting, with living plants for pigments. Great sweeps of coleus are spread around the man-made lake, and among them many species of tibouchina provide pillars of color. Grasses and succulent bordered paths sweep among islands of many-colored plants. Over all, the wayward clouds parade in sun and shadow.





On each side of house, roof line has same dramatic forward thrust.

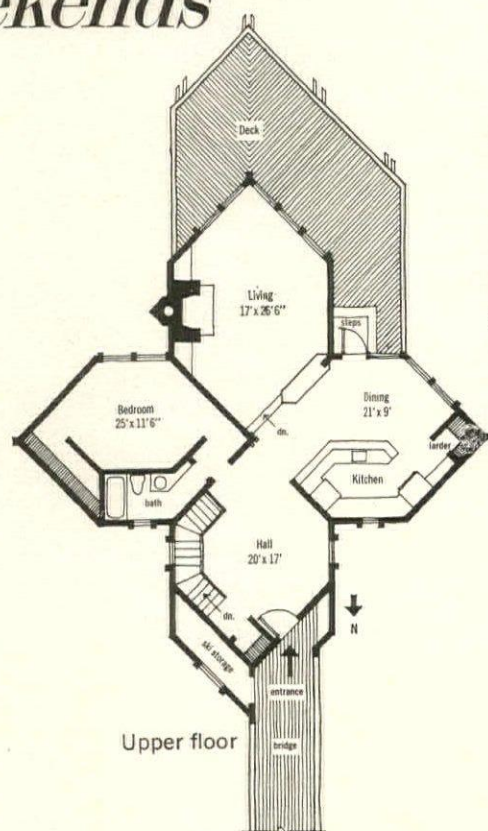
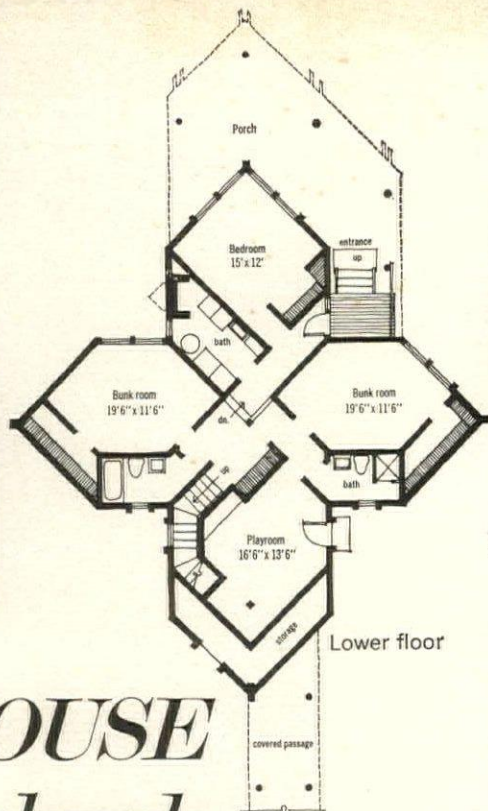
SNOWFLAKE HOUSE

for snow-filled weekends

To give as much pleasure as its name suggests, a holiday house in snow country has to meet several special requirements—easy accessibility even when the drifts are 10 to 12 feet high; indoor cheer and comfort whatever the weather outside; ruggedness that can stand up to a continued parade of dripping parkas, snowy boots, and snowy gear; room for lots of guests; minimal maintenance chores to infringe on the hours to be spent on the slopes. In addition, the design of the house itself ought to have an exuberance that encourages a carefree mood.

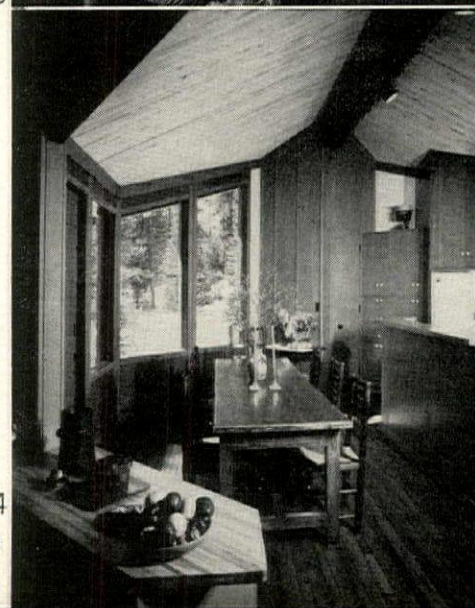
All these demands are superbly met by the weekend house in Alpine Meadows, Calif., that architects Volkmann & Stockwell built for an energetic and gregarious San Francisco couple with four children, all ardent skiers. A two-story house sheathed in redwood, it is based on a four-pointed plan that resembles, appropriately, a simplified snowflake.

Accessibility was assured at the start by locating the parking area uphill from the house and running a wooden bridge from there to the main entrance door on the second floor. The family living rooms are on the second floor, too, as well as the master bedroom. Downstairs, the children's rooms plus a guest room plus a children's playroom can sleep a total of ten—an impressive coup in a house of 2,730 square feet. A steep pitched roof with a generous overhang helps to keep the snow under control outdoors, and a roomy entrance hall, paved with stone and furnished with benches for easy boot removal, takes care of snow tracked indoors. Quite as important as these conveniences to the family who weekend there, however, are the intangible, esthetic aspects of the house. "Visiting it is like visiting a friend," they say, "it has a character and a spirit all its own."



The two-story plan, ABOVE, consists of eight rooms, almost all of the same shape—an elongated hexagon. Open kitchen, bathrooms, and storerooms are fitted in so as not to interfere with pleasant repetition of wide and acute angles. Major rooms have generous windows on south side to take advantage of winter sun and best views.

1. Bridge from parking area to upper floor entrance is above level of highest snows.
2. Drip-proof entrance hall has plenty of storage space for boots and parkas, enough bench space so that everyone can take off his boots at the same time.
3. High kitchen counter hides untidiness of cooking, but lets cook-hostess join party.
4. Additional serving counter stands between dining room and living room.



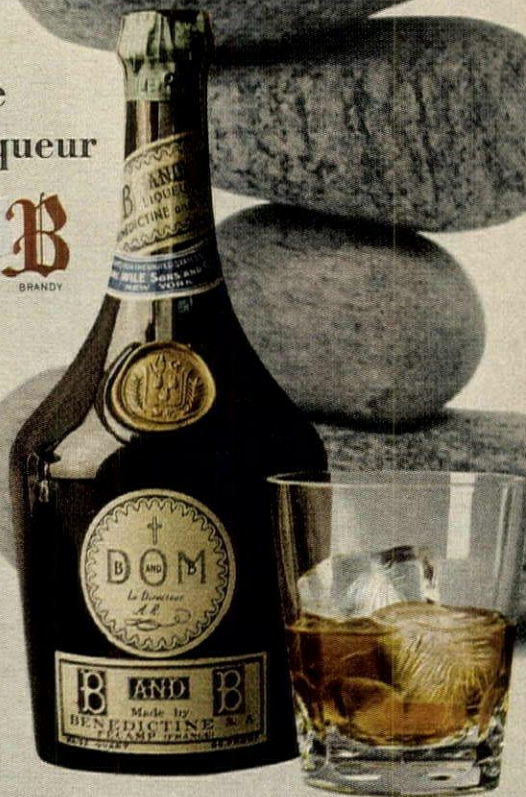


Jutting like a prow into the snow fields, the living room's ceiling-high windows afford an invigorating view. The ceiling, like all on main floor, consists of laminated 2-by-4-inch fir boards laid on edge and stained white. Heavy dark-stained ridge beams meet and rest on a center king post. Wood wall panels and rugged fabrics and rugs simplify maintenance.

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CORKSCREW:

SALUBRIOUS DRINKS FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

BY PHILIP S. BROWN

There was a time when the "holiday season" consisted of about two weeks of merrymaking—from Christmas Eve through Twelfth Night. Nowadays the round of partying starts with Thanksgiving, runs until New Year's Day or beyond, and is a very strenuous course indeed. Sooner or later even the hardest constitution becomes weakened, and the thought of drinking yet another Martini, Gimlet, or highball is too painful to be contemplated. Still, on occasions such as Christmas or New Year's morning, drinks are definitely in order, and these are the times when what we choose to call "restorative" drinks will be welcomed by all concerned.

Restorative drinks are pleasant and palliative, usually (although not necessarily) long, mild, and thirst-quenching, with the alcoholic components masked and diluted by other ingredients. They should not be too sweet, lest they be cloying, nor too acid, lest they further irritate the internal machinery. For daytime entertainments they should not be too strong, for such affairs frequently go on for many hours, and the participants are supposed to be mellow, not muddled. Above all, such drinks should be soothing and salubrious to sip. Here are some suggestions and recipes for popular libations in this category.

Milk Punch

In a very tall highball glass put two or three ice cubes, an ounce each of cognac and Jamaica rum, and fill with cold milk. Stir to mix well, and sip slowly. If you like the taste of nutmeg, sprinkle a little on top. A variation is to put 1 ounce each of cognac and Jamaica rum into a shaker with ice, add 2 ounces of milk and 2 ounces of cream, and shake vigorously. Pour into a highball glass and fill up with chilled club soda.

Tiger's Milk

This is nearly the same as the Milk Punch, but *vive la différence*. Put 2 ounces of cognac, 2 ounces of Jamaica rum, 4 ounces of cream, and 2 teaspoons of sugar into a shaker with cracked ice. Shake to a froth, and strain into a tall glass. Do not add anything else.

Black Velvet

This drink was popular in the Gay Nineties, and once you have tried it you will agree that grandfather knew what he was doing. You need a split each of chilled stout and champagne. With one in each hand, pour simultaneously into a tall chilled glass. Drink at once. If you use porter instead of stout, you will have a plain Velvet; beer gives you a Halstead Street Velvet.

Mimosa

In a part of the country which shall be nameless, this drink is also known as a California Sunshine. Half fill a large wineglass with fresh chilled orange juice, then fill to the top with chilled champagne. The champagne raises your spirits, while the vitamin-filled juice aids in the task of restoration.

Champagne Julep

In the bottom of a tall glass, crush a few sprigs of mint with a lump of sugar and a tablespoon of water. Half fill with crushed ice, add a jigger of cognac, fill up with more crushed ice, then add chilled champagne to fill the glass, stirring slowly. Garnish with another sprig of mint and sip.

Not only champagne, but other wines make good holiday drinks, either by themselves or mixed with club soda, water, ginger ale, or whatever.

Wine Cooler

Either red or white wine may be used for this; they are equally good. Muddle 2 teaspoons of sugar in a highball glass with a little water until the sugar is dissolved. Add a teaspoon of orange juice, then ice cubes, and fill the glass with any wine you like.

Wine Cobblers

Cobblers may be made of almost any wine. They are served in large wineglasses, about $\frac{2}{3}$ full of finely cracked ice. Sprinkle a little sugar on the ice, then a teaspoon or so of fruit juice or liqueur, then add a couple of jiggers of the wine.

Claret Cobbler

To the ice and sugar add a dash of Maraschino liqueur and a tea-

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Christmas Gift Cook Book

To make and give the pride of your kitchen is as old a tradition as Christmas itself, and closer to the true spirit of the season than anything you can buy. No matter how simple the food, friends are invariably delighted and impressed with the effort you have made to please them. Nothing could be more heart-warming than the experience of a friend of mine who spent one holiday in a tiny New England village. Her landlady came visiting on Christmas morning bearing a basket of jellies and said, "I want you to try a little of my sass." My friend was so pleased and touched that she now makes and gives her own "sass." My mother always made Christmas puddings, mincemeat, and fruitcakes a year in advance and anointed them liberally with brandy throughout the ensuing months, until they were perfectly aged and ready. Some people used to plan their holiday menus with the expectation of receiving one of mother's specialties.

The container you put the food in can be an integral part of the present—pâté in a beautiful terrine, for example—so keep watch during the year for unusual or handsome dishes, crocks, and jars for your gifts. Labeling the package with essential information about the food also makes it more interesting to the recipient, but be sure the label is handmade and attractive, not just a sticker from a stationery store. Include essential information about storing the contents of the package, and give instructions for any unfamiliar food—if it needs a sauce, if it should be served hot or cold, or the dish it might accompany. An additional thoughtfulness is to send the recipe along, especially for a friend who likes to extend her culinary repertoire. If the recipe has a special history, write that out, too. In this cook book you will find all kinds of ideas to start you off and, if you just can't find the time to cook, suggestions for picking out a personal sampler of cheeses, sausage, or nuts. For unusual and amusing ways to present your homemade gifts, turn to page 148.

By James A. Beard

GIFTS FROM THE OVEN

White Fruitcake

One advantage of this delicious holiday confection is that it requires no aging. It is perfect when baked in small bread tins or in 1-pint soufflé dishes, which might constitute part of the gift.

$\frac{3}{4}$ pound citron, cut in the thinnest of slices
 $\frac{1}{3}$ pound candied pineapple, cut in thin shreds
 $\frac{1}{4}$ pound candied cherries
 $\frac{1}{2}$ pound white raisins
 1 pound sliced blanched almonds
 $\frac{1}{2}$ pound pecans
 $\frac{1}{4}$ pound pine nuts
 4 cups sifted flour
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups butter
 2 cups sugar
 6 eggs (large or extra large), separated
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup Madeira
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cognac or bourbon
 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
 Blanched almonds for garnish

Mix fruits and nuts together, sift $\frac{1}{2}$ cup flour over them, and mix again lightly. Cream the butter well and gradually work in the sugar. Beat in the egg yolks. Add the remaining $3\frac{1}{2}$ cups sifted flour alternately with the Madeira and cognac or bourbon. When well blended, combine with the floured fruit. Beat the egg whites until glossy and firm, but not dry, and just before they are done, add the cream of tartar. Fold this into the fruit-nut mixture. Pour into 4 buttered and papered 6" pans or 1-pint molds. Top with a few blanched almonds and bake in a preheated 275° oven for about 2 hours, or until they are nicely brown and the edges begin to break away from the pan.

You may add more spirits to the cakes before wrapping them. Store in the refrigerator.

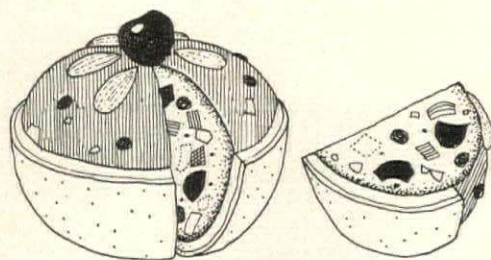
Florentines

These delicious chewy chocolate-iced cookies are a perfect gift. Bake them slightly smaller than usual and store in a beautiful plastic box or jar with a very wide top. With careful handling they hold up well, but they should not be mailed unless packed in a tin.

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup brown sugar
 2 tablespoons corn syrup
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sifted flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup candied cherries, coarsely chopped
 $\frac{2}{3}$ cup mixed peel, coarsely chopped
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup coarsely chopped walnuts and almonds
 $\frac{1}{3}$ cup slivered almonds
 12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate, melted
 over hot water

Combine butter, sugar, and syrup, and stir over medium heat until warmed, but not too hot. Remove from heat and stir in sifted flour, fruit, and nuts. Drop by spoonfuls on a buttered cookie sheet and bake in a 325° oven until flat and brown. Remove with a spatula to racks.

When cooled, brush the flat sides with the melted chocolate, and when it has begun to set, form wavy lines with a fork or a pastry comb. You may also decorate each cookie with a cherry or candied violet. Makes about 40 cookies.



Bake fruitcake in grapefruit rind that has been candied in sugar syrup for an unusual tart-sweet combination.

Christmas Fruit Bread

This can be shaped into a loaf or into a stollen by folding the dough envelope-fashion. In either case, it looks tempting and festive when covered in polyethylene wrap and brightly tied. It keeps well and toasts beautifully.

$1\frac{1}{2}$ cups milk
 $2\frac{1}{2}$ packages dry yeast or 2 yeast cakes
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup butter
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
 3 eggs, well-beaten
 5-7 cups flour
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup mixed peel
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup raisins
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sliced candied cherries
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sliced citron
 1 cup chopped filberts and almonds, mixed
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup cognac
 Melted butter
 Powdered sugar

Scald the milk. Dissolve the dried yeast in $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of the milk then add to remaining milk and mix with the sugar. (If you use fresh yeast, cream it well with the sugar and then add to the milk.) Then add butter and salt. Next add the eggs, about 3 cups of flour, the fruits, nuts, and cognac. Beat the mixture well with a wooden spoon or dough hook. Add enough flour to make a soft dough, and knead until smooth. Cover and let the dough rise in a warm place until double in bulk. Knead again and form into 2 large or 3 small loaves. To bake as loaves, brush with melted butter, arrange on a baking sheet and allow to rise again until just about doubled in bulk. To bake as a traditional stollen, pat dough down and fold lengthwise so that the edges do not quite meet, leaving a margin about $\frac{1}{3}$ of width. Do not press. Let rise until almost double in bulk. Bake in a 350° oven for 35-40 minutes. Cool and dust well with powdered sugar.

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finish the fruitcake
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Ginger Fingers

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 ¼ teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 1 tablespoon ground ginger
 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
 1 cup butter

Mix the flour, salt, soda, ginger, and sugar, and gradually but thoroughly blend in the butter. Mold into round cakes and place on a cookie sheet, or press into lightly buttered layer-cake pans. In either form the mixture should be about ½" thick. Bake in a 325° oven for about 45 minutes. Cut into finger-shaped pieces while still warm. Cool and store in covered tins. Makes about 2 dozen.

Gift-wrap the tins, and if you like, wrap each finger separately in polyethylene or waxed paper. Ginger Fingers might be combined in a tin with Shortbread Fingers.

Shortbread Fingers

1 cup butter
 1 cup granulated sugar
 2 cups cake flour
 Pinch salt

Cream the butter and sugar together well, gradually add the flour and salt, and blend thoroughly. Form into squares and decorate, if you like, with bits of candied fruit. Place on a lightly buttered cookie sheet, or press into buttered layer-cake tins, as directed for Ginger Fingers. Bake in a 350° oven until lightly browned—about 25-30 minutes. Cut the squares or layers into fingers while still warm. Makes about 2 dozen.

Oatcakes

Friends not familiar with this Scots specialty will enjoy the crispness of oatcakes. These are unsweetened cakes that are best eaten with fresh sweet butter, frequently as an accompaniment to smoked fish or herring. They are fairly fragile, so pack them carefully.

1 cup medium-ground oatmeal
 ¼ teaspoon salt
 1 tablespoon melted butter
 1 egg yolk
 1 tablespoon hot water
 Additional oatmeal for rolling

Sieve the oatmeal and salt, combine with butter, egg yolk, and water, and mix to a smooth paste. On an oatmeal-sprinkled board, roll out the paste to a circle ¼" thick and 9" in diameter and then cut in pie-shaped wedges. This should yield about 12 pieces. Place on a cookie sheet sprinkled lightly with oatmeal. Bake in a 350° oven for approximately 20 minutes. Leave the oven door open, turn the oven to "warm," and allow the oatcakes to dry and crisp.

Croquembouche

This spectacular pyramidal dessert is one of the most beautiful of pastries. It makes a dramatic gift for someone who will appreciate the work and planning it entails. Present the croquembouche on a flat plate or on a board covered with bright foil. Decorate the pastry with candied

flowers or with tiny, brightly colored candies that will give it the effect of a tower of jewels. Carefully tie sheets of clear plastic wrap over the entire creation, and add a huge bow.

The following recipe will make two croquembouches of impressive size.

Cream Puffs

1 cup butter
 2 cups sifted flour
 1 teaspoon salt
 6-8 large eggs

Pastry Cream

4 tablespoons flour
 ½ cup cream
 1½ cups scalded milk
 ¾ cup sugar
 ¼ teaspoon salt
 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
 8 or 9 egg yolks, lightly beaten
 2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Caramel Syrup

2 cups granulated sugar
 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
 ½ cup corn syrup
 Pinch salt

To make the cream puffs, combine 2 cups water and the butter in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Add flour and salt, and stir over low heat until it forms a ball and breaks away from the edge of the pan. Remove from heat. Add the eggs one by one, beating thoroughly after each addition. The dough must be thick enough to stand in peaks when it is dropped from a spoon. After adding 6 eggs, test for consistency. If more egg is needed, beat in another bit by bit until you have achieved the proper texture.

Press through a pastry bag equipped with a smallish plain tube, or drop by spoonfuls on a lightly buttered sheet. The puffs should be the size of a Ping-Pong ball when baked.

Bake in a 375° oven until puffs are nicely browned and no beads of moisture remain. Puncture each one with a knife and allow to rest in the oven with the heat off for another 10 minutes. Remove and cool. This amount of dough makes about 60-70 puffs.

Meanwhile, make the pastry cream. Combine the flour with the cream in a saucepan and gradually stir in the scalded milk. Place over low heat, cook until mixture is thickened, and simmer for a few minutes thereafter. Add sugar and salt and simmer again, stirring constantly. Dissolve the gelatin in ¼ cup water.

Temper the egg yolks by stirring in a bit of the hot sauce. Then gradually stir this mixture into the rest of the sauce and cook for a few moments over low heat, being careful the mixture does not boil. Add the dissolved gelatin and stir in well. Finally add the vanilla. Remove the sauce to a chilled bowl. Cool.

When thoroughly cooled, fill the tiny puffs by puncturing the bottoms and piping in the cream with a pastry bag fitted with a small tube, or scoop in the cream with a very small spoon, such as a demitasse spoon.

Make the caramel syrup by combining the two sugars, syrup, ½ cup water, and a pinch of salt in a heavy saucepan and stirring directly over medium high heat until the sugar dissolves. Continue cooking, without stirring, until the syrup reaches 300° on the candy thermometer (brittle stage). Have ready another, slightly larger pan ⅓ filled with hot water, to make a double boiler. Place pan of caramel syrup over the hot water.

To Assemble

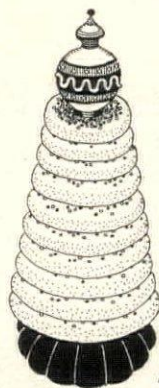
Use an oiled 16" cone mold if you have one (oil prevents caramel sticking), or a Styrofoam cone covered with foil and oiled. Otherwise your eye will have to guide you. The objective is a pyramid about 10"-12" at the base. Build on a covered board or a doily if you are not using the mold. Impale bottom of each puff on a fork and dip into syrup. Arrange in a circle while sticky, using a second fork to slide puffs off and into place. Top with another circle slightly indented. Continue building circles, each smaller than the one below, until you have achieved a beautiful pyramid. At the peak you might want to insert a confection, glittering Christmas decoration, or a final, nicely glazed puff. You might also stud the croquembouche with tiny bright candies to suggest a Christmas tree. This could be a stunning centerpiece for someone's holiday table. If you use the cone mold as your form, remove it after puffs have set in place.

Brandy Snaps

These fragile beauties are so delicious it is a shame they must be treated with such care. However, if you roll them in tissue paper of various colors and place them in a clear plastic or glass jar, they will remain intact. Be sure to put a "fragile" sticker on the package so that the small fry don't shake it to guess what's inside.

⅞ cup flour
 ⅔ cup sugar
 1 tablespoon ground ginger
 ½ cup molasses
 ½ cup butter

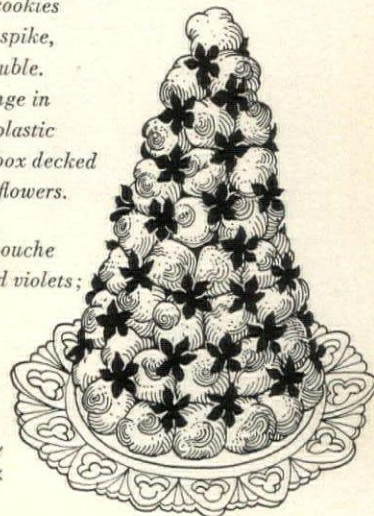
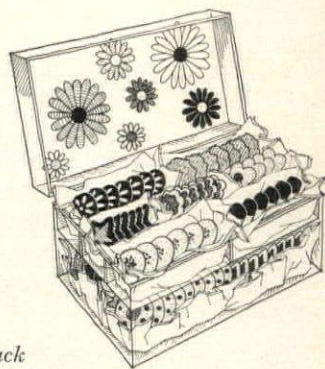
Sift together the dry ingredients. Bring the molasses to a boil. Add the butter, and gradually stir in the sifted ingredients. When a rather translucent mass is formed, drop by spoonfuls on a buttered cookie sheet. Bake in a 425° oven for just a few minutes, or until spread and firm to the touch. Take from oven and cool for a minute. Remove with a spatula and roll around the handle of a wooden spoon. Cool on a rack. Makes 30-35.



Stack graduated cookies on desk spike, top with bauble.

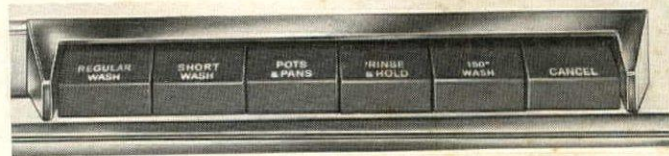
Or arrange in dime-store plastic sewing box decked with paper flowers.

Stud croquembouche with candied violets; set it on an antique plate.

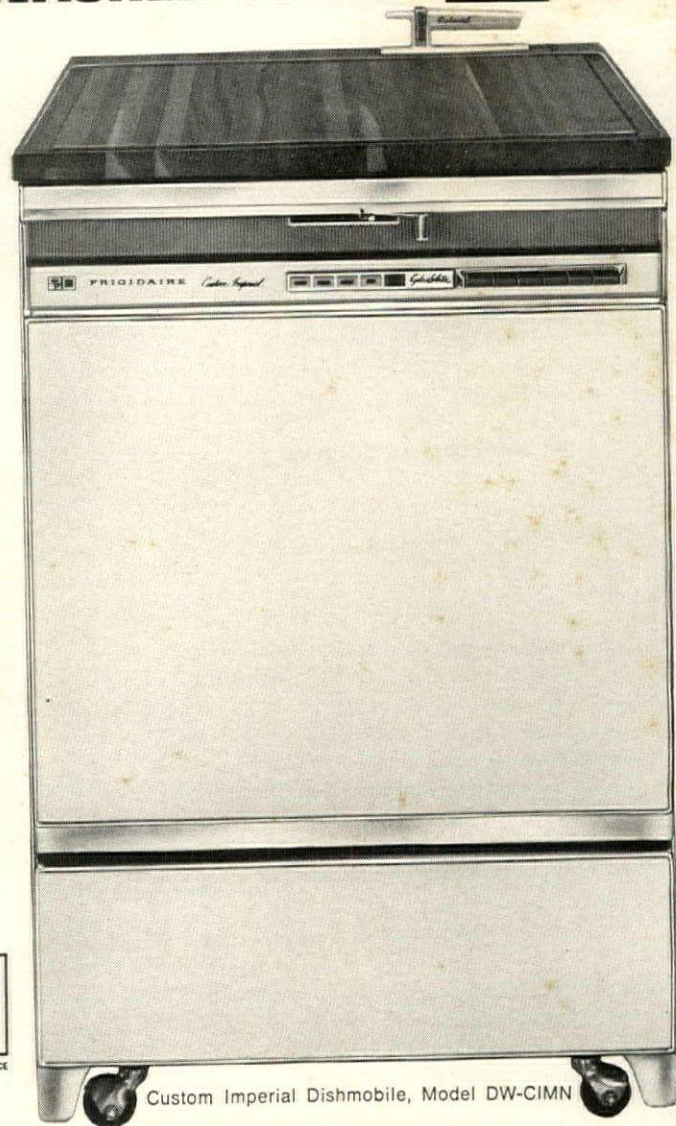


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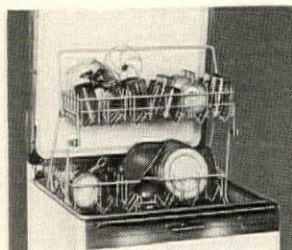
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Eccles Cakes

These festive English pastries are wonderfully suited to the holidays. Arrange them in an attractive box tied with colored ribbons, and give to friends who enjoy afternoon tea.

Pastry:

2 cups flour
 ¼ teaspoon salt
 ¾ cup (1½ sticks) butter
 1 tablespoon grated lemon rind
 Ice water

Filling:

2 tablespoons butter
 1 tablespoon sugar
 ½ cup bleached sultana raisins
 ½ cup chopped mixed peel
 ¼ teaspoon nutmeg
 ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
 Pinch ground cloves
 1 egg yolk, beaten with 2 tablespoons heavy cream
 Granulated sugar

Sift the flour and salt, and add the ¾ cup butter by rubbing in with the tips of the fingers, leaving rather large lumps. Add lemon rind and enough ice water to make a rather soft dough. Roll out in a long strip and fold into thirds. Make a quarter turn with the pastry, and roll and fold again. Repeat this procedure three more times, turning the dough each time. Chill for 30 minutes. Meanwhile prepare the filling.

Cream the butter and sugar together and add the fruit and spices. Roll the pastry ¼"-½" thick and cut into 12 4" rounds. Place a spoonful of the filling on each round, gather the edges together in the center, and seal with a little water. Place sealed-side down on a buttered baking sheet. Brush with the egg and cream mixture, and sprinkle with sugar. Make two incisions in each crust. Bake in a 350° oven until brown and crisp. Makes 12.

Christmas Wreaths

These are exceedingly festive, but take a good deal of work. When they are decorated, however, and packed in a box—perhaps a clear plastic one—they make an unusual and delightful gift, well worth the trouble.

For each wreath:

1 cup almond paste
 1 egg, slightly beaten
 Candied cherries
 ½ pound (approximately) puff paste
 1 egg beaten with 2 tablespoons cream
 Candied fruits for decoration

There are several good brands of almond paste available that are lightly sweetened. One or two brands have (for me, anyway) too much almond extract in them. Experiment and choose one to your taste. Knead the paste and then combine with the beaten egg. It should not be too soft, so it is best to add the egg a little at a time, until the paste is flexible, but firm enough to be rolled into a sausage shape. Insert several candied cherries in the paste before you roll it.

Roll out the puff paste in a long narrow piece the length of the almond paste roll and wide enough to envelop it. Roll slightly longer to allow some leftover puff paste for decoration. Place the roll of almond paste on the pastry. Cut off the

extra length of pastry and reserve. Wet the edges of the pastry with cold water and bring them over the almond roll to meet and slightly overlap. Seal the edges together firmly. Turn the roll over so the sealed seam is underneath, and form into a ring, molding gently. Cut the reserved puff paste into leaf or flower shapes, moisten with cold water, and attach to the wreath.

Place on a buttered baking sheet, brush with the beaten egg and cream, and bake in a 350° oven until nicely browned and puffy. Decorate with candied fruits or with a glaze.

GIFTS IN JARS, POTS, AND MOLDS**Smoked Salmon Hors d'Oeuvres**

Here is a delicious spread that will delight anyone who is giving a cocktail party during the holidays. Pack it in small covered crocks attractive enough to be brought out. The contents are fairly perishable and should be so labeled.

1 pound smoked salmon, preferably Nova Scotia
 1 medium onion, peeled and thinly sliced
 1 tablespoon capers
 2 teaspoons chopped fresh dill
 or 1 teaspoon dill weed
 1 cup sour cream or ½ cup sour cream
 and ½ cup mayonnaise
 Freshly ground black pepper
 Chopped parsley

Cut the salmon into thin strips and mix with onion, capers, dill, sour cream, and, if you like, mayonnaise. Blend well, spoon into crocks, and top with pepper and chopped parsley. Cover and chill until ready for wrapping and presentation.

Makes approximately 3 8-ounce crocks.

Jambon Persillé

This Burgundian specialty should be prepared with a delicious, mild cured ham. The ham must be tender, but not overcooked or grainy. Use a good country ham or a ready-to-cook ham.

10-12 pound ham
 2 quarts chicken broth, reduced and clarified
 2 tablespoons plain gelatin (if needed)
 Chopped parsley

Cook the ham until very tender. Allow to cool. Combine any accumulated pan broth with a rich chicken broth which has been clarified and skimmed to remove the fat.

Prepare this recipe in 2 2½-quart round bowls or loaf-shaped molds such as those you use for pâtés and terrines. Test the broth. If it is not stiff enough to make a firm jelly when cold, add 1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin for each quart of broth. Rinse molds with cold water and spread with a layer of chopped parsley. Spoon a layer of broth over this, and chill thoroughly. Cut the ham in bite-size pieces. Place in mold, alternating with chopped parsley and spoonfuls of broth. When the mold is filled, weight down; then remove weight, add more parsley, and seal with broth. Chill until set.

A gift of Jambon Persillé should be kept refrigerated until the last possible moment and then delivered by hand. Present it with instructions for serving—it should be cut into thin slices in the mold, or unmolded, and accompanied by tiny cornichons and hot toast.

Shrimp Paste

This is a version of potted shrimp that can be used as a spread or as a sauce for certain dishes. It will keep, refrigerated, for several days or a week. Pack it in little covered pots or glass jars with screw tops, and be sure to provide directions on the label for proper storage.

1 clove garlic
 1 onion stuck with 2 cloves
 1 bay leaf
 Sprig parsley
 2 tablespoons salt
 1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper
 1 cup white wine
 2 pounds shrimp, cleaned, shelled, and deveined
 ¾ pound creamed butter
 ½ teaspoon scraped onion
 ½ teaspoon mace
 Melted butter

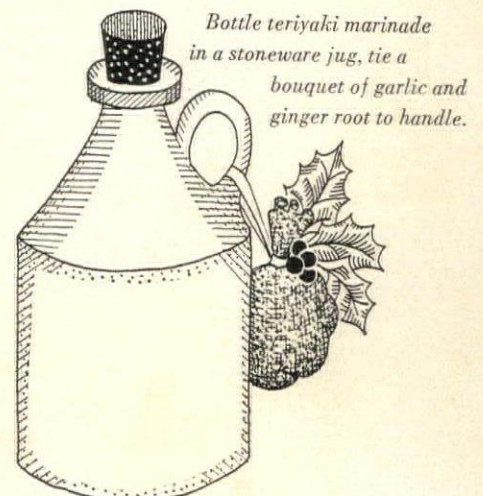
Combine the garlic, onion, seasonings, wine, and enough water to cover the shrimp when they are cooking. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes. Add the shrimp, bring to a boil, and cook for 3-4 minutes. Drain. Chop the shrimp very coarsely. Cream the butter with the scraped onion and mace, and fold in the shrimp. Blend thoroughly and fill small pots or jars with the mixture. Chill. Pour melted butter over the surface of the paste to seal. Cover and refrigerate. Fills about 8 4-ounce jars.

Teriyaki Marinade

Those who enjoy the flavor of soy sauce with broiled or roasted meats and fish will most likely welcome a gift of this delicious marinade. It is not a traditional one, but it has been a standard in my kitchen for several years now. Bottle the marinade in ½-pint or pint jars. You might tie a bunch of fresh garlic, as well as a piece of fresh ginger, to each jar so that the recipient can add them to taste. Wrap the jars beautifully and attach recipes. As an extra touch you might also attach Japanese graters or a pair of cooking chopsticks.

1 quart Japanese soy sauce
 1 pint olive oil or peanut oil
 1 pint medium-dry sherry
 2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper
 Chopped ginger, fresh, candied, or preserved
 (preferably fresh)
 1 teaspoon Tabasco

Combine all ingredients, adding ginger to taste (I like to use a full cup). Shake well or blend. Pour into jars or bottles. Teriyaki Marinade can be stored for weeks. Makes about 2½ quarts.



Escoffier Onions

Here is an offbeat, colorful version of onions à la Grecque. The onions should be packed in jars and will keep for a week or so, preferably under refrigeration. They can be used as an hors d'oeuvre, or as a relish with cold or hot meats, or with poultry or game. Label the jars with instructions for storing and using. This recipe makes a fair quantity, so have on hand about 8 8-ounce or 6 12-ounce jars.

5 pounds small white onions
 1½ cups olive oil
 1½ cups white wine
 ½ cup vinegar
 1 tablespoon salt
 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 1 teaspoon fennel seed or a piece of dried fennel stalk
 1½ teaspoons ground coriander
 1 teaspoon rosemary
 2 cloves garlic
 1 lemon, thinly sliced
 ¼ teaspoon (approximately) saffron
 3 tablespoons tomato paste
 1 cup white raisins

Blanch the onions in boiling water and let them stand for 10 minutes before peeling. Arrange in a single layer in 1 large or 2 medium skillets. Add oil, wine, and vinegar, and enough water just to cover the onions. Then add salt, pepper, and all other seasonings except the saffron. Cook just below the boiling point over medium heat until the onions begin to be tender. Add saffron, tomato paste, and raisins, and continue cooking until the onions are tender, but still crisp. Remove to sterilized jars. Correct seasoning of the sauce, and pour over the onions. Cool and refrigerate.

Rustic Pâté

Few food gifts will be as welcome as this pâté from your own kitchen—a true Pâté Maison.

2 pounds spinach
 1½ pounds pork (¾ lean), finely ground
 1 pound calf's liver or pork liver, ground
 1 pound ham ground with 4 cloves garlic
 1 medium onion, finely chopped
 1 teaspoon summer savory
 ½ teaspoon thyme
 1 tablespoon salt
 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 3 tablespoons chopped parsley
 2 eggs
 ½ cup cognac
 Bacon or salt pork strips
 Bay leaves
 Flour and water paste

Wash the spinach well, place it over fairly high heat in a large saucepan with only the water that clings to the leaves, and cover. Cook for 5 minutes after steam begins to rise in the pan. Remove, drain, and chop the spinach thoroughly. Allow to drain again while you prepare the rest of the pâté mixture. Combine the ground pork, liver, and ham with the spinach, onion, and seasonings. Break the eggs in the center of this mixture and add cognac. Blend well with the hands. Cook a small amount of the mixture in butter in a skillet and taste for seasoning. Line 2 1-quart terrines with strips of salt pork or bacon and fill with the mixture. Top pâté with one or two additional strips and a bay leaf or two. Cover and seal the rim with a thick paste of flour and water. Bake in

a 350° oven for 1½-2 hours. Remove and allow to cool overnight. Take off excess fat. Present pâté in the terrine as it is or topped with aspic and decorated with tarragon leaves or leaves cut from the green leafy tops of leeks.

Curry Dip

This dip for meats, seafood, and vegetables makes a most useful gift for people who entertain frequently and are eager for new ideas. It will keep for two weeks or so, refrigerated, so include this information on the label.

1 large onion, finely chopped
 5 tablespoons butter
 1 apple, unpeeled, cored, and finely chopped
 2 ribs celery, finely chopped
 1-2 tablespoons curry powder
 Salt
 1 cup tomato juice
 2 tablespoons tomato paste
 1 tablespoon chutney, finely chopped

Sauté the onion in the butter, add the apple and celery, and cook down for a short time, until the apple is tender. Add curry powder; the sauce should be quite hot. Add salt to taste, blend, and cook for 3 minutes. Add tomato juice and paste, and cook for another 4-5 minutes. Finally stir in the chutney. Makes about 2 cups.

The sauce should be served hot. It is wonderful with such things as tiny meat balls, crab legs, shrimp, scallops, and raw vegetables.

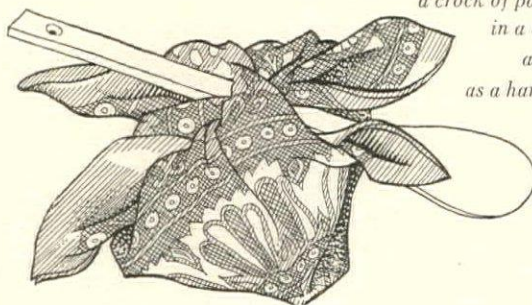
Hard Sauce

There are as many versions of this holiday anointment for plum puddings and hot mince pies as there are cooks. The following is one long-used in my house and often given away to friends, with a plum pudding made the year before and seasoned with brandy during the months between Christmases. You might force the sauce through a pastry tube to make large rosettes in a small pottery or glass container. Decorate with leaves cut from angelica peel and candied cherries.

¾ cup butter
 2 cups brown sugar
 ½ cup cognac
 ¼ teaspoon salt

Cream the butter well, and add the sugar and cognac gradually. Finally add the salt. Beat the mixture to a creamy consistency. Chill. Makes about 2½ cups.

Wrap up a trio of gifts in one—
 a crock of pâté tied, bandanna fashion,
 in a brilliant dish towel, with
 a wooden spatula to serve
 as a handle.



Pile up a
 pyramid of hard-sauce
 rosettes in a brandy snifter
 that has been decorated on the inside
 with gold paper sunbursts and stars.

Roquefort Cheese Mix

This mixture keeps well for weeks and can be used as a spread for cocktail tidbits, for a cheese and bread course, with such pies as apple and mince, for stuffing celery and raw mushroom caps, and for snacks. Pack it in jars with fairly tight-fitting lids. Cover with a little cognac-brushed waxed paper before sealing.

½ pound or more butter, to taste
 1 pound cream cheese
 2 pounds Roquefort cheese (with as much blue vein as possible)
 ¼-½ cup cognac, to taste

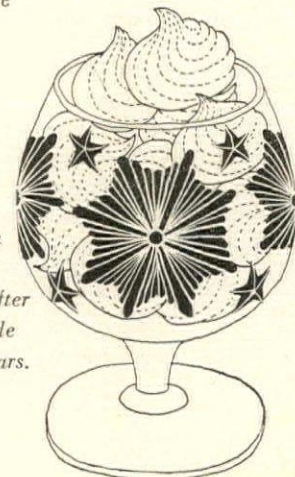
Cream the butter with the cream cheese. Crumble the Roquefort cheese and blend thoroughly with the butter-cheese mixture. Beat in the cognac spoonful by spoonful. Finely chopped garlic or Dijon mustard may also be added, to taste. Makes enough to fill 4 8-ounce jars.

Caponata

This delicious Italian savory is wonderful as an hors d'oeuvre or an accompaniment for cold meat or fish. It keeps under refrigeration for several weeks, and it would be wise to offer it in a chilled state, packed in attractive jars, and prominently labeled "perishable."

1 large onion, thinly sliced
 1 rib celery, cut into thin julienne strips
 ½ cup olive oil
 2 medium eggplants, unpeeled, cut into thin strips
 1½ cups canned Italian plum tomatoes
 Salt, freshly ground pepper to taste
 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
 1 teaspoon chopped basil
 2 tablespoons tomato paste
 ½ cup capers
 ½ cup soft Italian or Greek black olives, pitted
 1 lemon, thinly sliced
 Chopped parsley to taste

Sauté the onion and celery in the oil until just golden and slightly wilted. Add the eggplant strips and toss well with the onion and celery. Sauté gently. Add tomatoes and cook down, uncovered. Be careful that the other vegetables do not overcook and become mushy. Salt and pepper to taste and add chopped garlic and basil. Cook for 10 minutes, then stir in tomato paste. Add capers, olives, and thinly sliced lemon. Cook another 10 minutes. Taste for seasoning. Cool, toss with chopped parsley, and then refrigerate. Makes about 2 quarts.



Lemon Curd or Lemon Cheese

One of the most delicious mixtures imaginable and one that keeps exceptionally well, Lemon Curd makes a welcome gift, especially when packed in pots or jars attractive enough to be used after the contents have been consumed. It makes a wonderful filling for tarts and is perfect on toast. It can also be mixed with whipped cream as a fluffier tart or cake filling.

$\frac{1}{4}$ pound (1 stick) butter
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar
 Juice of 3 large juicy lemons
 Grated rind of a lemon
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
 3 egg yolks, beaten with 3 whole eggs

Melt the butter in the top of a double boiler over hot water. Combine with the sugar, lemon juice and rind, salt, and eggs. Cook over hot water, stirring constantly, until mixture is shiny and thickened. Pour into jars or crocks and cool. Makes about 2 cups.

Uncooked Cranberry Sauce

It goes without saying that cranberry sauce is a winter holiday tradition. Here is a delicious uncooked version that might be offered to embellish fowl or game.

3 cups cranberries
 Pinch salt
 2 red-skinned apples, cored but unpeeled
 1 orange, peeled and quartered (reserve peel)
 1 cup sugar
 $\frac{1}{3}$ cup Grand Marnier

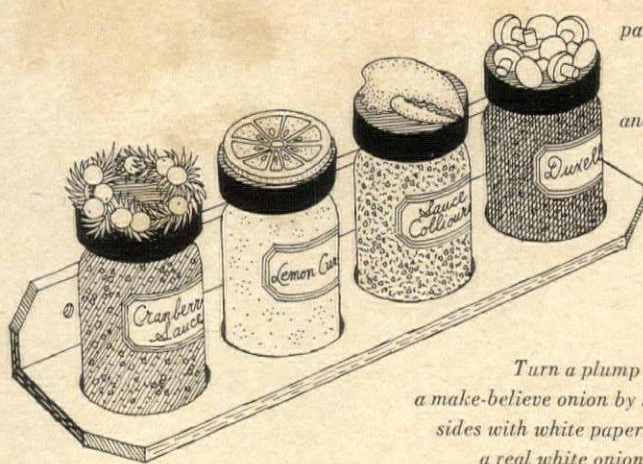
Wash the cranberries and grind them with the coarse blade of a grinder along with the salt, cored apples, orange and its peel (be sure to remove any white inner skin adhering to the orange). Combine with sugar and Grand Marnier and blend well. Pack in sterilized jars and store in the refrigerator. Makes 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -pint or 2 pint jars.

Spiced Onions

These onions are delectable for cocktails, for cold suppers, and just for snacks. They can be offered as a gift in any decorative jar that has a fairly secure top. They do not need to be sealed. It is best to prepare them in a crock and transfer them to jars later; or make them in fruit jars and then transfer them to more decorative containers. They can be made as late as two weeks before Christmas.

5 pounds small white onions
 Salt
 Rock alum
 1 pint white wine
 1 quart cider vinegar
 1 pint white wine vinegar
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds sugar
 1 package pickling spices
 2 bay leaves

Peel the onions and cover with water to which you have added $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups salt. Allow to stand for 24 hours. Place a large lump of alum in a crock or large jar, if you are using a single container, or a small lump of alum in each of several small jars. Drain the onions well and put them in the crock or pack into the jars. Combine the wine, the vinegars, and the sugar, and bring to a boil. Add the spices and bay leaves, and boil for 5 minutes. Pour over the onions and cover with a lid. Allow to stand for at least 2 weeks. Makes about 8 pints.



Line up a quartet of jars, each packed with a different type of food, and glue appropriate motifs on top: wreath of cranberries and pine, lemon coaster, lobster claw (for seafood sauce), mushrooms.

Turn a plump jar into a make-believe onion by striping sides with white paper, gluing a real white onion on top.

Corned Beef Hash

For a holiday breakfast or lunch, few dishes have the hearty appeal of good hash topped with a poached or fried egg and perhaps a touch of chili sauce or pepper relish. If you indulge in a good corned beef dinner, reserve a large piece or two for making hash for special friends. Pack the hash in plastic containers, and present it along with your favorite recipe. You might like to send a handsome skillet or sauté pan as well.

5 pounds cold lean corned beef (with perhaps a little fat on each side of it)
 6 medium potatoes, boiled in their jackets, peeled and chopped
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon nutmeg
 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 Salt, if necessary
 1 onion, finely chopped (optional)

Chop the beef coarsely and combine with the chopped potatoes and seasonings. Add the onion, if you like, although I feel this is best added fresh, to taste, just before cooking. (You might send an onion or two along with the gift.) Taste for seasoning and pack in jars or other appropriate containers. Refrigerate until ready to give, and then wrap gaily, with directions for cooking.

Sauce Collioure

This excellent cold sauce is especially good with cold roast beef and cold pork, and it complements crab meat and lobster as well. Pack the finished sauce in jars or small pots with tight lids to be stored in the refrigerator. The sauce will last under refrigeration as long as homemade mayonnaise, with which it is made.

To each cup of homemade olive-oil mayonnaise, add and blend in well:

1 clove garlic, finely chopped
 1 tablespoon anchovy purée
 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
 1 tablespoon chopped fresh tarragon or
 1 teaspoon dried tarragon

Clarified Butter

This extremely simple item will be a welcome staple for friends who bake or sauté a great deal. Properly clarified, butter will keep indefinitely in the freezer. To make a gift of it, pour it into attractive jars or pots and label it with instructions for storage and use.

To clarify: Melt butter gently in a heavy pan over very low heat and siphon off clear liquid butter on top, discarding whitish liquid in the bottom of the pan. Do not let it burn or scorch.

Duxelles

This versatile mixture of mushrooms and butter can be swirled into scrambled eggs or an omelette, or used in sauces and farces in classic French cuisine. It makes a rich filling for crêpes, and is good just heated on toast for an hors d'oeuvre or a hot sandwich. A jar of it should delight any of your friends who take pride in their entertaining. Wrap it gaily and indicate on the label that it should be stored in the refrigerator, where it will keep nicely for several weeks. Although it can also be frozen, it does not hold its quality quite as well. Some versions of duxelles call for shallots or garlic and flour, but for general use, this simple mixture of mushrooms, butter, salt, and pepper is best.

3 pounds mushrooms
 $\frac{1}{2}$ pound (approximately) sweet butter
 Salt, pepper to taste

Wipe the mushrooms with damp paper towels. Do not wash or peel. Chop them exceedingly fine. Melt $\frac{1}{4}$ pound of butter in a heavy skillet and add the mushrooms. Cook over very low heat, turning from time to time and adding more butter as needed. The mushrooms should darken as the liquid cooks out, leaving only the butter in the pan. At no point should the mushrooms sauté, however. When the mushrooms are quite dehydrated and almost black in color (this should take $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 hours, requiring only an occasional stir), season with salt and pepper to taste. Pack the duxelles in $\frac{1}{2}$ -pint jars and refrigerate. Makes 2 cups or more.

SAMPLERS, SPECIALTIES

Sausage Sampler

This hearty and welcome gift may be packed in a basket or hung on a rack, which you can either buy or improvise. Choose 3 or 4 different and outstanding sausages. These should include both dry sausage for slicing and eating as snacks, and sausage for cooking and eating hot. Attach a label to each sausage, identifying its name and use, and how to cook, if necessary. Your selection will depend, of course, on the availability of sausage in your locality and your ability to ferret out the unusual. Some of the types that might be included are: salami of various kinds, cervelat, kielbasy, smoked pork sausage, breakfast sausage, bratwurst, knockwurst, cotechino, pepperoni, and at Christmas time, Swedish potato sausage, if it is available in your neighborhood.

Cheese Sampler

A selection of cheeses makes an ideal gift, especially when you take the trouble to choose and assemble them yourself. There are many attractive cheeseboards and marble slabs available on the market that would make a good base for your gift, and you might like to include a cheese knife as well. Attach the cheeses to the board or marble with clear tape and wrap the arrangement with polyethylene. Do not choose the more perishable cheeses unless you can be certain they will be eaten soon after they are received. Attach a card to the package telling at what temperature each cheese should be served and whether or not it can be used for cooking. Also label the individual cheeses if they are not already marked. Here are two categories of cheese that are not too perishable and are well suited to a packaged gift.

Cheese Tray 1

(the more-or-less firm cheeses)

2-pound piece of Switzerland Gruyère
 1½-pound piece of Switzerland Appenzeller
 Piece of aged Canadian or Vermont Cheddar
 A Canadian Oka, if available, or a piece of Tomme de Savoie

Cheese Tray 2

(goat cheeses)

There are many different types of goat cheese of various sizes and shapes on the market now, many of them known only by their generic name, *fromage de chèvre*. Some are wrapped in chestnut leaves, some are peppered, some are rolled in dried herbs, and some come packaged in odd-shaped boxes. Assemble a selection of various types and shapes, keeping in mind eye appeal as well as flavor. These keep rather well, so do not hesitate to splurge a bit on them.

Biscuits for Cheese

You may want to include a box of biscuits with your cheese gift, or send a selection of good biscuits as a complete gift in itself. Tins of assorted biscuits are available, but if you prefer to create your own assortment, here are two suggestions:

Biscuit Assortment 1

A tin of Bath Oliver Biscuits
 A box of Cream Crackers
 A tin of Water Biscuits
 A box of American Water Crackers
 A box of Triscuits

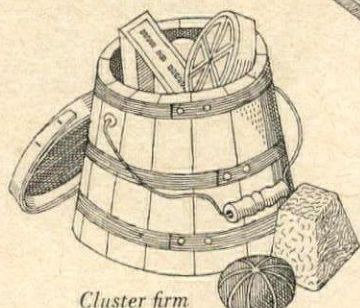
Biscuit Assortment 2

A box of Finn Crisp
 A tin of Water Biscuits
 A box of Wheatmeal Biscuits
 A tin of tiny thin Soda Crackers

Pickled Salmon

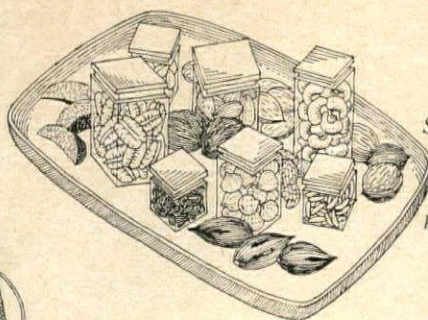
Pickled salmon can be prepared with salmon steaks or a piece of salmon cut from the center of the fish. Poach the salmon in boiling salted water or in a highly seasoned court bouillon. When it is almost cooled, arrange in a serving dish that will be part of the gift—an inexpensive bowl or a good-looking refrigerator dish with a cover. Add a bay leaf, a few thin slices of lemon, and a little fresh or dehydrated dill. Cover completely with good vinegar, and add a few thinly sliced onion rings. Chill until ready to present. Label with instructions to refrigerate. If properly stored, it will keep for 2-3 weeks.

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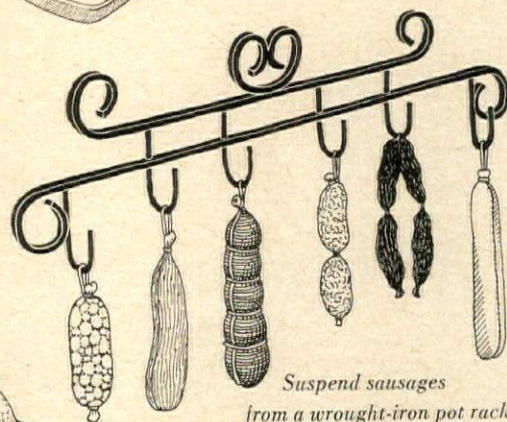


Cluster firm cheeses in a wooden bucket that can serve for both presentation and transportation.

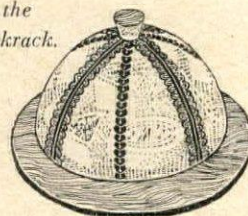
For more perishable types, assemble a selection on a cheese-board with a dome, and stripe the dome with paper braid or rickrack.



Set forth a sampler of nuts on a lacquer tray (shelled ones in tiny plastic boxes). Then cover with plastic wrap.



Suspend sausages from a wrought-iron pot rack that will be a permanent decorative addition to a kitchen.



Nut Sampler

I hear complaints from time to time that certain types of nuts prescribed for baking are not available in some sections of the country. Find a good source for these scarce varieties, and pack them in jars, or plastic bags on a tray. Attach an instruction card and perhaps some recipes. Here are some of the most sought after:

Pine nuts: for Mexican, French, Italian, and Middle Eastern cookery. Shelled pine nuts can be purchased in bulk at certain Italian or Greek food shops.

Pistachio nuts, shelled: these give color and a pleasant flavor to desserts, cookies, meats, and sauces.

Almonds, sliced: useful in decorating and flavoring many cakes and cookies; also for certain fish and vegetable dishes.

Black walnuts: for cakes, candies, and with certain fried and broiled fish dinners.

Pecan halves, blanched filberts, blanched almonds: for baking and, toasted and salted, for snacks.

Popcorn Balls and Caramel Corn

We often forget how good these two homely items can be when they are well made. In fact, someone recently glamorized caramel corn, put it on the market, and made a fortune. Pack the caramel corn in decorative plastic boxes or tins, and wrap the popcorn balls in colored paper. Tie the packages magnificently.

Popcorn Balls

2 cups sugar
 ¾ cup corn syrup
 1 stick (4 ounces) butter
 1 teaspoon salt
 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
 1½ gallons popped corn

Combine the sugar, corn syrup, ¾ cup water, butter, and salt, and cook over medium heat until the syrup reaches the brittle stage—about 270° on the candy thermometer. Add vanilla. Pour syrup over the popped corn and mix well. Then

butter your hands and form the popcorn into balls of varying sizes. Cool thoroughly before packing.

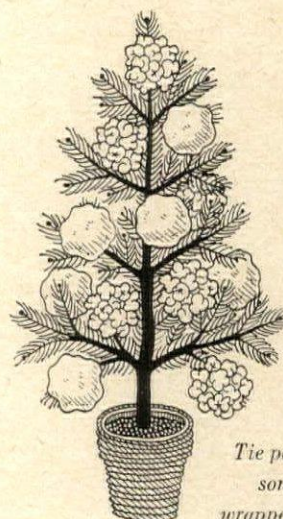
This will yield 20-30 balls, depending on their size.

Caramel Corn

1 cup sugar
 ½ cup corn syrup
 2-3 tablespoons dark molasses
 2 tablespoons butter
 1 teaspoon vinegar
 2 quarts popcorn

Combine sugar, syrup, molasses, ½ cup water, butter, and vinegar, and cook to 270° on the candy thermometer (brittle stage). Gradually pour this syrup over the corn and shake well to coat it evenly. Pour onto a buttered platter or marble slab. Cool thoroughly before packing.

Note: Caramel corn may be combined with an equal amount of almonds, lightly toasted, or with an equal amount of both coconut chips and almonds or peanuts.



Tie popcorn balls, some plain, some wrapped in colored tissue, to the branches of a tiny tree planted in a yarn-wrapped flowerpot.

spoon of lemon juice. Fill glass with claret and stir.

Port Cobbler

To the ice and sugar add a teaspoon of curaçao and one of orange juice. Fill glass with port and stir.

Spritzer

Refreshing and very pretty to behold, spritzers may be made with nearly any white wine, but Rhines, Moselles, and Alsations are the types usually used. Over ice cubes in a highball glass or large wine-glass, pour 2 jiggers of chilled white wine and fill it with chilled club soda. That's all there is to it.

Bishop

In a highball glass half full of cracked ice put a teaspoon (or less) of sugar and the juice of 1/2 lemon and 1/2 orange. Fill with Burgundy or claret, stir, and garnish with a slice of orange. A few dashes of dark rum may also be included, if desired.

Ramos Gin Fizz

In the good old days in the Ramos Brothers bar in New Orleans, the shaker was passed down a line of eight energetic bartenders each of whom shook until he was tired before passing it on. Today the electric blender will do the job in a minute or so. In the blender put 3 ounces of gin, 1 egg white, 1 1/2 ounces of cream, 3 dashes of orange-flower water, the juice of 1/2 lemon and 1/2 lime, a teaspoon or less of bar syrup, and 1/2 cup of cracked ice. Blend at high speed for a minute and strain into a highball glass which has been prepared by frosting the rim with lemon juice and sugar. Finish by squirting a little club soda on top.

Sazerac

Rinse an Old-fashioned glass with Pernod and shake out any excess. Add a couple of ice cubes, 3 dashes of Peychaud's Bitters, and 2 ounces of rye (preferably) or Bourbon. (Peychaud's Bitters, after a brief absence, are once more on the market, and a very good thing it is, since you can't make a proper Sazerac without them.)

Suisse

There are many formulas for this cheering restorative—here is one of the best. Into the blender put a jigger of Pernod, 1/2 teaspoon of sugar, an egg white, a teaspoon of light cream, and 1/2 cup of shaved ice. Blend for about 20 seconds and serve, unstrained, in an Old-fashioned glass.

Morning Glory Fizz

Into a shaker put 1/2 teaspoon of sugar, the juice of 1/2 lemon and

1/2 lime, 1 egg white, an ounce of Pernod, a jigger of Scotch, and crushed ice. Shake vigorously and strain into a chilled highball glass. Fizz up with a siphon of soda water, stirring as you add it, and serve at once. Any kind of a fizz—Silver, Golden, Royal, and so on—will taste good and impart a feeling of well-being.

Fruit Juice Drinks

Various fruit juices have long been used as cures for overindulgence. They are refreshing as is, and are effective masks for the spirits which may be added to them. The Bloody Mary and Screwdriver, now popular drinks at any time of day, were originally designed as pick-me-ups, and very good ones they are. Lemon juice, in the form of Whiskey Sours, is an old standby, and there are devotees of drinks made with grapefruit, pineapple, lime, and even prune juice.

Bloody Mary

Some mixologists shake them, some even put them in the blender, but most experts like them stirred in the serving glass. Whether you use gin or vodka is a matter of personal preference. Into a highball glass put the juice of 1/2 lemon, 2 or more dashes of Tabasco (or less, depending upon your taste), a couple of dashes of Worcestershire sauce, a grinding of pepper, a couple of ice cubes. Now add a jigger of gin or vodka, fill with chilled tomato juice, and stir lightly. Sprinkle a little coarse salt on top if the notion appeals.

Screwdriver

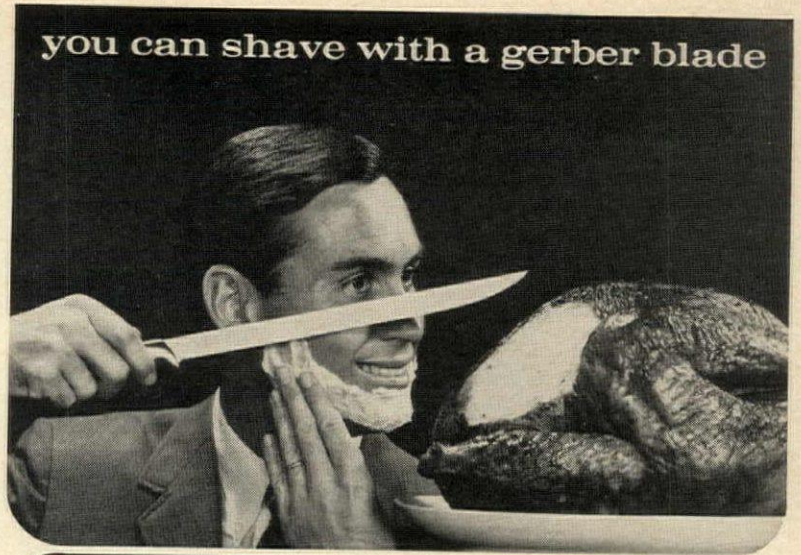
Once upon a time this was a shaken cocktail—an Orange Blossom made with vodka. Nowadays, it is generally made this way: put a couple of ice cubes in an Old-fashioned glass, add a jigger of vodka or gin, fill with chilled orange juice, and garnish with a sprig of mint.

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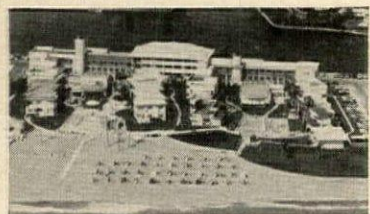
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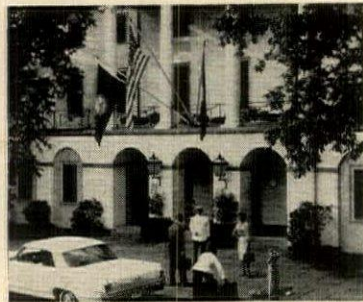


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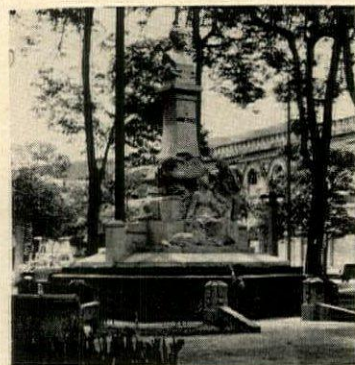
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In Cali, memorial to Jorge Isaacs, most important poet of Colombia.

A walk around Lima's streets on a summer morning reveals charming vignettes for the gardener to treasure—a pale gray stucco courtyard brilliant with big cannas and dramatic acanthus; out in suburban San Isidro, a simple recessed entrance planted with fig and pitosporum, loquat and frangipani—and marigolds; a secluded and charming lily pool beside the busy door of the Hotel Crillon, on whose roof terrace I stopped one torrid noon to rest my feet and gluttonize on fresh papaya.

Since even a gardener must eat, note that my favorite dish in Lima, served in the Gran Hotel Simón Bolívar's excellent grill and dining room, was *Camarones fritos à la chef*—which means simply fried shrimp with garlic sauce. I liked it so much I had it twice in five days, an aberration I should have been ashamed to enjoy had I not been traveling alone.

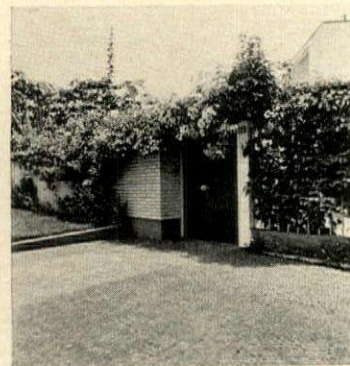
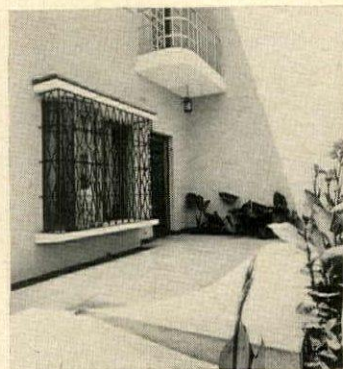
The tendency all over the Latin world is for private houses to be

turned inward, the outer walls facing blandly the world roundabout, the inner courtyards not only serving as the focus of the house, but containing its life and garden as well. It was enlightening to see the way vines were used visibly in the residential areas around Lima to make the privacy screens more attractive. Would that more building-code-conscious North American towns would allow, even if not encourage, the adornment of residential streets with flowering vines by permitting walls on which to grow them along the property lines. Almost none do here; all do down there.



Cane-cutter's house in Colombia, the doorway framed with tin-can containers of native plants.

Lima is not grand, but it is splendid. I could not manage the trip to ancient Cuzco and resurrected Pisac, all nearly three miles up, or to Machu Picchu, but I was consoled by the thought that, at those altitudes, horticulture was as thin as the atmosphere. And Lima's plazas and parks, while not breathtaking, offer the gardener some



Plantings at entranceway to three Lima houses: UPPER LEFT, gray stucco courtyard with acanthus; ABOVE, flowering vines adorning wall gate; LEFT, recessed entrance with fig, pitosporum, loquat, frangipani—and marigolds.

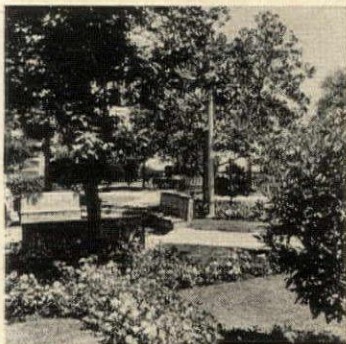
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simple lessons in balancing foliage textures, fine against coarse, and making use of center malls and empty corners for parks, fountains, and memorial sculpture—all somehow warm and intimate.

From Lima to Santiago is 1,500 miles or so out of the frying pan and over the fire—meaning the Atacama of Chile, a blazing and hauntingly forsaken desert. The Atacama, with the now everpresent Andes off to the left, made the green valleys of mid-Chile a prospect of sudden beauty. For the next fortnight, it was to be green all around me, blue of water and sky at my feet and overhead with, away on the horizon, always snow.

Santiago's first attraction for me—and the last before I finally took wing—was Santa Lucia Hill, a 630-foot-pile of pink rocks in the center of the city, at the heads of Huérfanos, Agustinas, and Mone-da. Santa Lucia is actually a public park—a sort of super-*folie*, and, in addition, the most sentimentally romantic garden within a thousand miles.

The park has a taxiable road half-way up, but if you take your time, it's more fun to walk. I spent the better part of two days wandering around among the paths and walls, the grottoes and waterfalls. Almost every plant genus I saw in all South America (except some of the tropical Brazilian natives) is represented on the grassy slopes, in the chinks of the rocks and steps, beside the walks and ramps that crisscross the mount. Star-shaped beds of succulents (many of our familiar sedums and sempervivums included) surround many of the flowering trees. Wherever there might otherwise be an empty earth pocket, one of the innumerable gardeners has inserted a marigold or a zinnia, an acanthus or a geranium.



ABOVE, Santiago garden with Moorish-tiled benches arranged around shallow pool. RIGHT, Mt.

Osorno, Chile, in foreground, the ubiquitous evergreen, ulmo, which bears white roselike flowers.

When I wearied of scrambling among the pink stone walls and balustrades and terraces and galleries (all, seemingly, created just to become ruins), I could always find a bench from which to view the mountains: in the morning the western Cordillera that bounds Santiago's valley toward the Pacific; in the afternoon, the Andes themselves catching the late sun to the east. Would that my own garden enjoyed a prospect a tenth as majestic.

Getting out of Santiago in February (equivalent to our August) and into Puerto Montt, whence I wanted to push among the Chilean lakes, proved to be like getting to the Kentucky Derby the day before the race without a way to get there or a place to stay. But by saying *si* whenever a reservation clerk said *no*, I finally checked into the Perez Rosales—a little prim, but the best hotel in the south. With the aid of an English-speaking German in the Puerto Montt travel bureau, I located a German-speaking Chilean taxi driver who covenanted to drive me wherever I wanted to go at any time during the two following days for \$70, U. S. currency.

It is hard to reduce the Chilean lakes to words on paper. Each one was lovelier than the next. Even little Chapo, the southernmost of all (way off in the hills in the general direction of Cape Horn) was haunting and lovely. Mount Calbuco and snowcapped Osorno, two of South America's three live volcanoes, were major highlights as we circumnavigated the green shores of Lake Llanquihue. Beyond, the glowering falls of Petrohue, and then the emerald waters of Todos los Santos (lake of All the Saints) were scarcely less lovely.

We journeyed leisurely through gorges, over cliffs, across moss-grown bridges, past fields (fields, mind you) of wild fuchsias. There were few gardens, as such, partly

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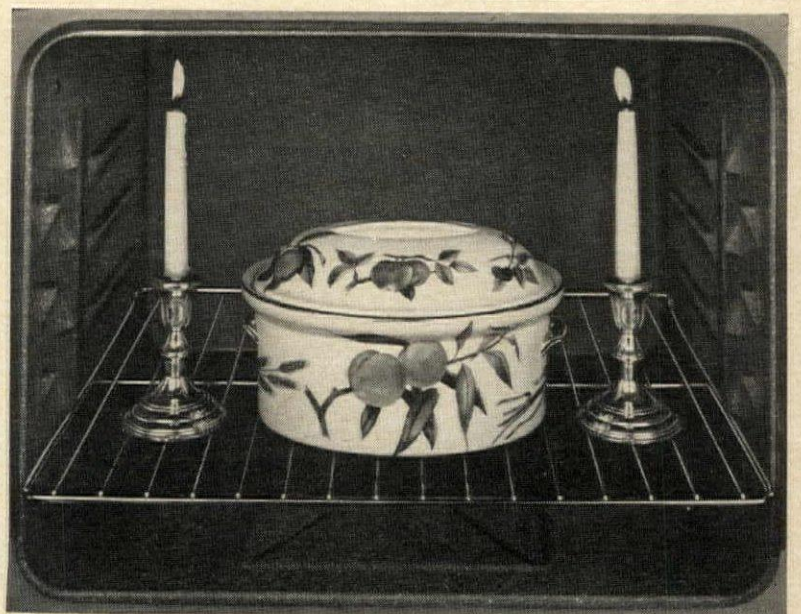


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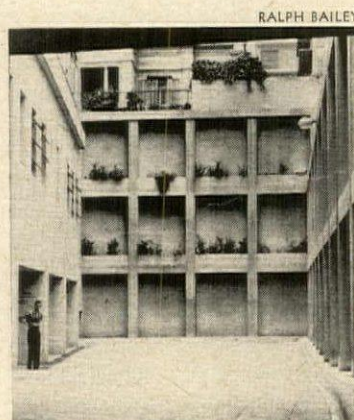
because there were few houses. But I passed each of my two precious days bemused by the beauty of the lakes, the great meadows, the innumerable eucalyptus trees, and the mountains.

Not the least of the horticultural delights, apart from those fields of fuchsias, was the grace and variety of one special tree that Chileans call the ulmo. It is actually *Eucryphia glutinosa* (pinnatifolia), and one of the handsomest big evergreens I have ever seen anywhere. It assumes many shapes, from modest to grand (75 feet or so), bears its myriad white roselike flowers all season, and is found all over southern Chile. Discovery of this wondrous species was one of the major highlights of the whole trip.

The ulmo will reach 10 feet in England, I am told; 40 feet in Ireland, the Irish swear. It won't grow outdoors at all in the temperate regions of North America—just temperate South America and Australia. But gardeners in our far South and on the West Coast would do well to try it.

Back north to Santiago, the next day, and thence eastward over the Andes. The plane took me over Aconcagua, at 23,000 feet the highest and wildest peak in the Western Hemisphere, then slid down to the palm-flat pampas.

Buenos Aires is a beautiful city in its beautiful parts, even a little like the Paris it is also supposed to resemble. In its more acceptable districts, it is a city of apartment dwellers. Every apartment has at least one balcony. And every balcony has at least one small tree in a tub and a satellite platoon of potted plants. I saw more balcony and roof gardens in one small corner of Buenos Aires than I can see in all of New York City. More balconies, too. Even the concrete ledges on blank building walls had their hanging gardens.



In Buenos Aires, "balconied" apartment wall, every ledge adorned with flowers and plants.

A young architect and his wife took me to see some of the old *estancias* ("spreads" or plantations) and a few of the most charming houses of the old city. Some had fine gardens, some a few great trees, some a monument or two and a patriotic shrine. All had something of the special flavor of the country's past.

I flew in over Rio's crescent beaches and the Sugar Loaf just after dark, the goose pimples breaking out all over me. But I had the best of reasons for enjoying Rio—visiting again with Roberto Burle Marx and seeing, for the first time, his home base and local work. Blood kin to the Renaissance men, he is artist, designer, philosopher, inventor, jeweler, artisan all in one. He is also a truly great plantsman, the world's ranking authority, for instance, on such genera as philodendrons (all 300 of them) and heliconias.



In the living room of the Burle Marx *sitiu*, a tapestry flanked by arrangement of dried grasses, flowers, pods, and fruit.

The imminent inauguration of still another Brazilian president fouled up any hope of cruising Brasilia, the astonishing capital city up on the Planalto that Roberto (everybody knows him as Roberto there) had an important hand in designing and landscaping. So we had to settle for a breathless and harum-scarum evening in Rio.

With other members of his family, I spent a day at the Burle Marx *sitiu*, where he spends his leisure weekends, raises orchids for the cut-flower market, conducts a nursery that supplies native plants all over Latin America, cooks enormous meals for his friends, and maintains a plant museum to boot. Under huge wattle shades, he grows the most inclusive collection of philodendrons in the world, along with a full roster of marantas, bromeliads, and goodness knows what else. The temperature was hot, even for Rio. To breathe was to sweat profusely. The *sitiu* is hilly and I was lugging a 20-pound camera case. I could have used those wattle shades myself.



In Brazil, landscape designer Burle Marx uses rock to form natural sculpture at the entrance to his *sitiu*.

One unforgettable day was devoted to Petrópolis and the Odette Monteiro garden (see page 169). I settled for this one out of many that Burle Marx had done here and in nearby Teresopolis because I knew it was the special pride of Roberto himself. More than most of his other landscapes it illustrates his belief that a country's native plants can be, with careful understanding, the chief glory of even the most private landscape.

More accessible are the public gardens Burle Marx has designed in and around Rio itself—the roof gardens at the Museum of Modern Art; the waterfront Enseada de Botafogo, which is notable for its management of that all-important landscape element, scale; and his pioneer designs for the Ministry of Education in downtown Rio.

My last pleasure in Rio was visiting the fabulous jewelry shop run by Haroldo Burle Marx, Roberto's brother, where you can buy (at fat prices) gold and carved stone pieces designed and made by both the proprietor and Roberto himself. That was where I did my only important shopping—a lovely abstract carving of an aquamarine set in a plain gold band. Abstract or not, it had a plantlike look, which is probably why I bought it.



Pebble garden alternating with tropical planting in courtyard of Museum of Modern Art in Rio.

Finally, dribble-dribble through tunnels and traffic to the huge ill-smelling airport, and zip-zip, back to New York. It was 101 degrees in Rio when I left, 90 that midnight at Lima, where Braniff always stops when it has half a chance; exactly 12 at Kennedy when my wife met me the next morning. With such rude awakenings are the best of excursions climaxed.

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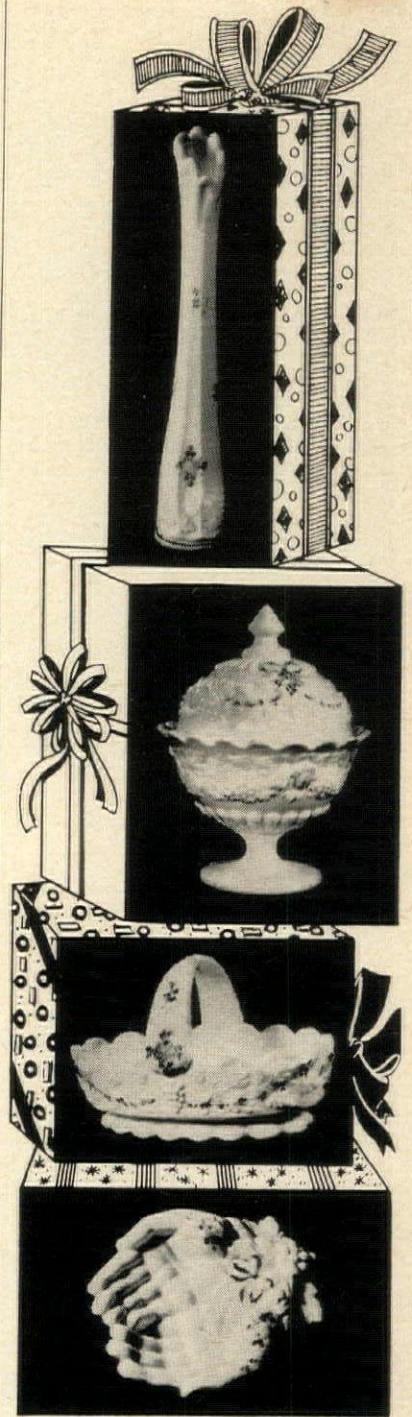
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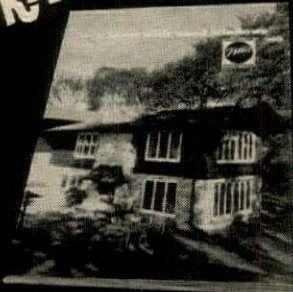
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BUILDING INFORMATION

Materials and equipment used
in the snowflake house

(see pages 170-171)

Structure

Foundation: Poured concrete footings.

Framing: Post and beam construction with ridge beams of the four hexagonal upstairs rooms anchored to a central king post.

Exterior of house

Walls: Resawn redwood plywood panels by Simpson Timber Co., with triangular 2-inch batten strips. Wood stain by Olympic Stained Products Co.

Roof: Western red cedar shingles.

Insulation: Glass fiber batts in all exterior and interior walls and in floors by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.

Windows: Redwood sash with glass panels set in weatherproof sealant by Thiokol Chemical Corp.

Doors: "Weldwood" flush plywood doors by U. S. Plywood Corp.

Interior of house

Walls: Gypsum board panels painted flat white. Resawn fir plywood panels with triangular 2-inch batten strips on one living room wall.

Ceilings: In upper floor rooms, rough-sawn 2- by 4-inch fir boards on edge lightly rubbed with off-white paint. In ground floor rooms, baths, gypsum board panels painted flat white.

Floors: Random-width oak planks by E. L. Bruce Co., in major rooms. Flagstone in entrance hall. Vinyl cork by Armstrong Cork Co., in kitchen and bathrooms.

Lighting fixtures: Recessed ceiling fixtures by Prescolite Mfg. Co.

Fireplace: Stone masonry with "Heatilator" heat distributing unit by Vega Industries, Inc.

Hardware: Black enamel finish hardware by Schlage Lock Co.

Kitchen cabinets: Specially designed.

Countertops: Formica plastic laminate by Formica Corp., American Cyanamid Co.

Plumbing fixtures: American-Standard.

Mechanical equipment and appliances

Appliances: Built-in oven, cooking counter unit, freezer, refrigerator, exhaust fan by General Electric Co. "Waste King" food waste disposer by Given Manufacturing Co. "Kitchen-Aid" dishwasher by Hobart Manufacturing Co.

Hot water heater: 40-gallon unit by Wesix Electric Heater Co.

Heating-cooling system: Forced warm air heating system. Oil-fired furnace by Lennox Industries, Inc. Controls by Honeywell.

Contractor: Ernest Hoxsie.

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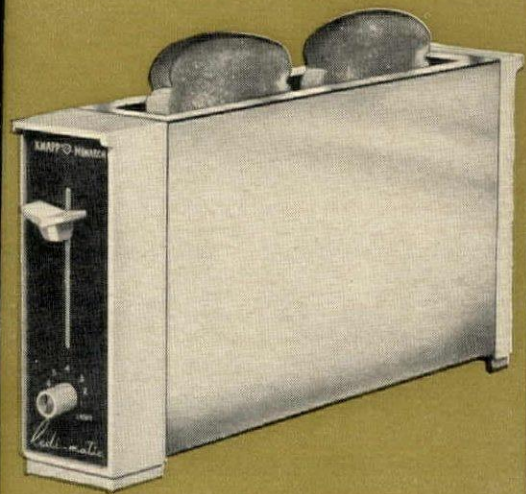
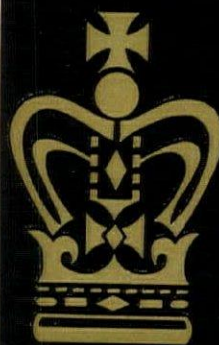
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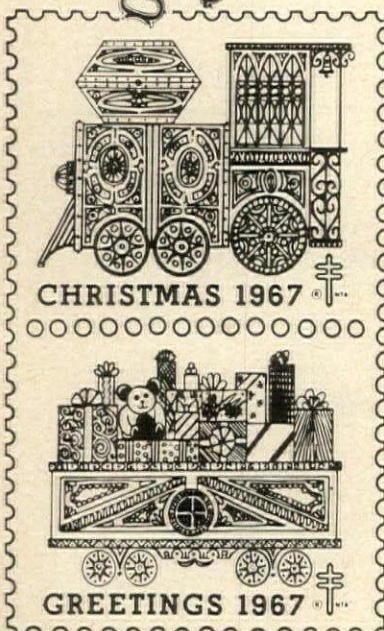
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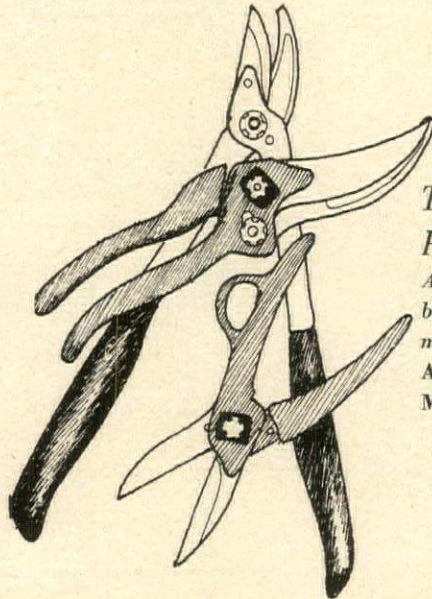
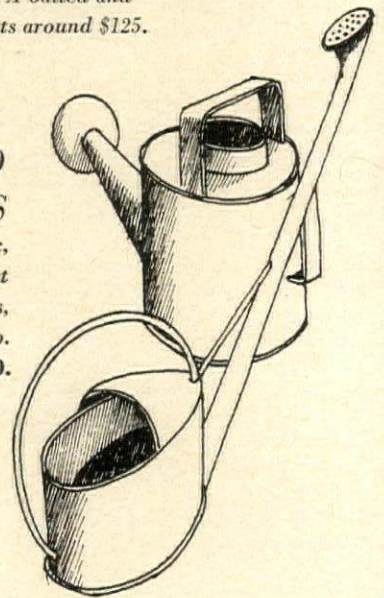
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Alternate: One bale of salt marsh hay, about \$6.

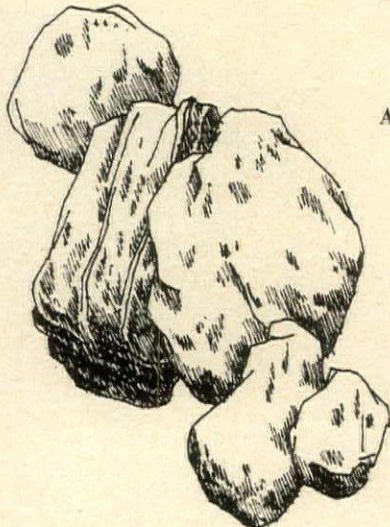
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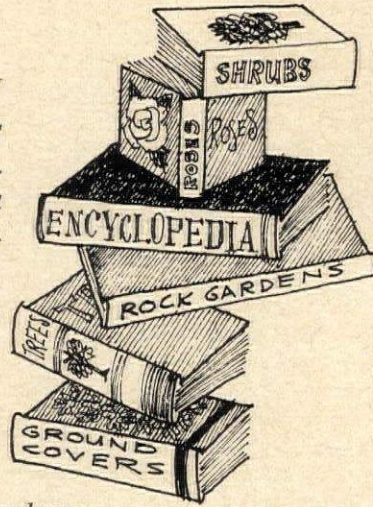
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Alternate: Seven flower prints from a second-hand book and print shop. From 10c to \$5 each. Or buy a reproduction of Redouté's "Roses," frame the pages. Under \$4.



EIGHT ROCK PLANTS

Campanulas, carpatica, and muralis, chrysogonum, thymes, alyssum, cymbularia, erica, saxifrage, say.

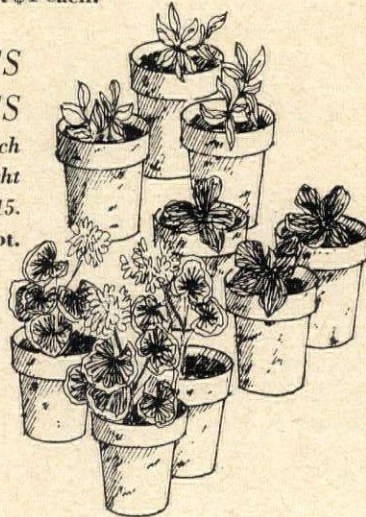
(Or choose your own.) To be delivered in spring. Up to \$8 or \$10 from a rock specialist.

Alternate: Eight 6-foot redwood stakes, about \$1 each.

NINE PLANTS FOR HANGING BASKETS

Enough for three summer baskets of three each, in 3-inch pots: begonias, geraniums (pelargoniums), fuchsias. Can be bought now, kept on window sill till spring. Around \$10 to \$15.

Alternate: Nine smooth stepping stones, about 90c a square foot.



TEN HERBS

You pick them—seed packets, now, of things like parsley, chives, borage, and dill, or plants, later, of any of those, plus rosemary, basil, sage, and thyme.

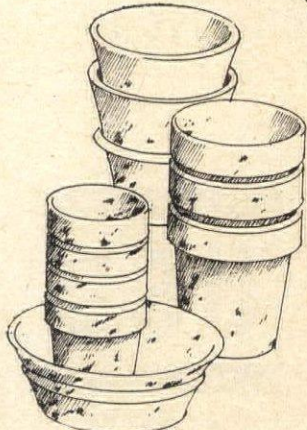
Alternate: Ten new tulips, \$1 to \$3.

ELEVEN FLOWERPOTS

Plain red clay, straight or curved.

An assortment, say, of four 4-inch, three 6-inch, and three odd sizes, about \$5. And an old Italian shallow pot.

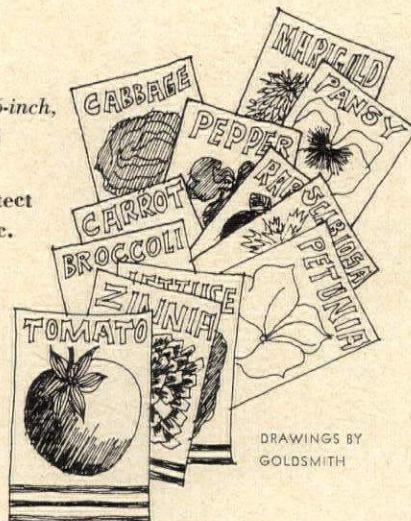
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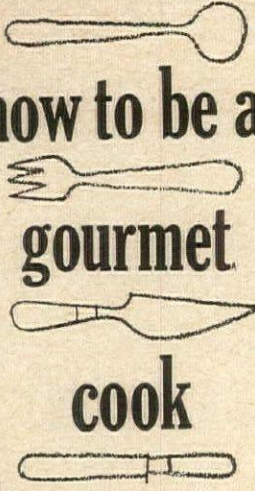
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"She spoke no English, but I could speak just enough Italian to implore her to part with some of her collection. She was most reluctant, but finally she said we could buy twenty-two pieces. We worked for days figuring out which ones. I really think the ones we settled on are exquisite."

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Along with designer Richard Cafler, who is carving the bases for the figures and the molding for the proscenium, Mr. Oenslager will come to Washington to install the lighting when the crèche is set up on December 13. For both designers it will be a labor of love.

This year the big White House Christmas tree will be decorated, as it was last year, in Early American style, with 960 little "bee" lights and 3,000 small ornaments, including nuts, real popcorn and cranberry chains, candied fruit, wood roses from Hawaii, straw stars, toy soldiers, drums, pine cones, petticoat lace, geranium bunches, and gingerbread cookies in the form of Santa Claus, snowmen, camels, teddy bears, and milkmaids. The cookies are baked by Vera Reis of New York, and are so tempting that after last year's party for underprivileged children, one gingerbread man was discovered with his leg nibbled off.

Decorating the tree takes at least two full days, and is always done over a weekend when the

house is closed to tourists. Dan Arje, head of display for Bonwit Teller, who also volunteers his services, comes down from New York with a staff, and under the guidance of Bess Abell, Mrs. Johnson's incredibly efficient social secretary, the trimming proceeds.

While that is going on, the White House mantelpieces are covered with holly and other greens, and mistletoe is hung in all the doorways. Felt symbols of "The Twelve Days of Christmas," made last year at the First Lady's special request, decorate the large mirror of the north hallway. They are arranged in a tall tree-shaped triangle—the "Partridge in a Pear Tree" at the top, the "Twelve Drummers Drumming" at the base. For the family's private enjoyment, a smaller long-needle pine tree trimmed with popcorn chains, cranberry garlands, and small ceramic figures is set up on the second floor.

Every year, there are several children's parties, including one for diplomatic offspring to which even the toddlers come in native dress. There are also receptions for the distaff members of the press and for the White House staff. "The Christmas decorating is done so exquisitely here," says Mrs. Johnson, "that I try to fill the house with the people who would enjoy it."

She keeps her own Christmas decorations down at the ranch, where the family has celebrated every Christmas since 1952. (Not since the Eisenhowers has the first family spent a Christmas at the White House.)

"One of the great joys of Christmas to me is bringing out the treasured old things seasoned with warmth, like the stockings an old-time Texas friend embroidered for us when Luci was a year old. Here at the White House Christmas is more impersonal, but I enjoy the perfection of it in a different way."

How the First Lady will get through Lynda Bird's big wedding early in December, Christmas entertaining at the White House, then family Christmas in Texas, all with her traditional equanimity is hard to imagine. But she is a very strong person, with a broad romantic and sentimental streak, so she will undoubtedly carry the whole thing off with the unruffled charm and unflinching taste which are her great gifts to the American public.

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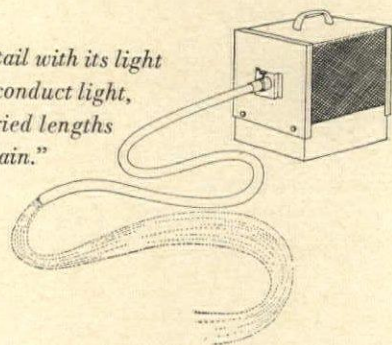
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THE FOUNTAIN CENTERPIECE OWES much of its splendor to the Fiber-Lite—a 6-foot ponytail of optic filaments attached to a metal light box about 8 inches long, 5 inches wide. (See it unadorned—a Christmas tree of pure light—on page 127.) Inside the box, cooled by a tiny fan, is a high-intensity bulb that, like a movie projector, forces light through the filaments. Hair-like, the ponytail can be trimmed into various lengths with a scissors; wherever each filament is

cut, a bead forms at its tip and glows like a tiny star. To make the fountain, cut a wedge out of the Styrofoam base large enough to hold the light box, then insert a strong, 36-inch dowel at dead center and train the ponytail up the dowel, tying it in three places. The top will fall in a cascade which you can clip into varying lengths. Finish your bouquet as described on page 133 and then plug the Fiber-Lite's extension cord into any standard wall socket.

Fiber-Lite ponytail with its light box. Filaments conduct light, can be cut to varied lengths to form a "fountain."



BOOKWORM'S BOUTIQUE *continued from page 42*

entire spectrum of gastronomic pleasure.

The Complete Book of Mexican Cooking by Elisabeth Lambert Ortiz. (M. Evans and Co., \$7.95.) Readers whose appetites were whetted by H&G's Mexican Cook Book (September, 1965) will be delighted with its author's full-length and definitive piece of research on a rich, unique, and little-understood cuisine. Not only a valuable cook book, but an entertaining account of Mrs. Ortiz' doggedness in tracking down and testing the authentic recipes.

The Other Half of the Egg by Helen McCully, Jacques Pépin, and William North Jayme. (M. Barrows & Co., \$5.95.) This compilation of delicious, varied recipes should find a permanent place in any cook's library—with real imagination and flair it solves the eternal problem of what to do with spare egg white and yolks.

The Ballet Cook Book by Tanaquil LeClerq. (Stein and Day, \$9.95 pre-Christmas; \$12.50 thereafter.) The noted prima ballerina has gathered the favorite recipes of over ninety internationally famous personalities of the dance world, interspersed them with delightful reminiscences and anecdotes about the dancers, and illustrated her book with photographs of each celebrity in action. All in all, a delight to read or browse through, and the recipes, from simple sandwiches to complicated gourmet treats, are clearly presented.

We asked H&G's Food and Beverage Consultant, James Beard, to appraise the books for wine lovers (a rapidly growing group in the U.S.). His conclusions:

Once in a while books come

along that keep one entranced with a fresh approach to the subject. Three such have recently been published. The first is *Wine* by Hugh Johnson (Simon and Schuster, \$10). Mr. Johnson has an astonishing knowledge of his subject and has had the good fortune to travel the wine country of Europe and America in the company of knowledgeable people of the districts. In organization, the book is divided simply into the whites and the reds, rather than by the regions of origin. Filled with information and well written, it should take its place on the shelves with the best of wine literature.

A second delightful book is Harry Waugh's *Bacchus on the Wing* (S. Straker & Sons Ltd., \$5.50. Available at the British Book Centre, 122 E. 55th Street, New York, N. Y., 10022). Less a reference book than a diary of travels in the wine countries, Mr. Waugh, one of the directors of Château Latour, is well informed and his book contains pertinent critiques of wine, along with the lore of the various wine districts of France, Italy, and Germany.

The third book is *Wines of the World* edited by André L. Simon (McGraw-Hill, \$14.95 until January 1, \$20 thereafter). Mr. Simon's treatise on French wines will remain a classic, and he also provides an amusing and thoroughly non-partisan section on the wines of North Africa. The essay on Spanish wines is highly informative. The volume is weakest on the wines of the U. S. and Germany. But by and large this is a good reference volume with superb pictures, a generally entertaining text, a glossary, maps, and bibliography.



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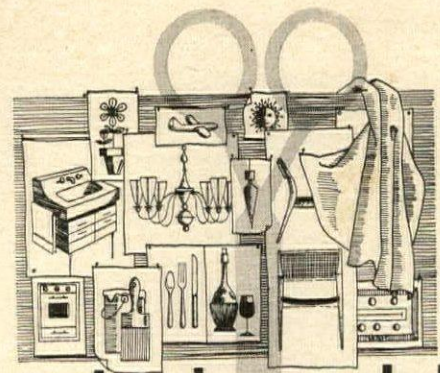
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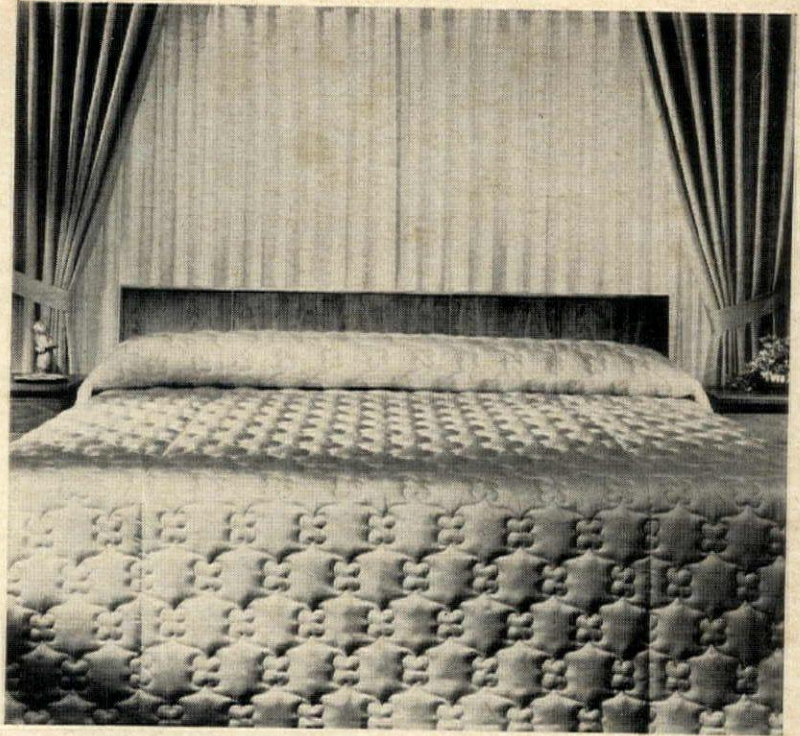
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This repetition of the same brown and black color scheme throughout the house is startling at first, but effective. The rooms seem to wrap around one like dark wings. In both the living room and sitting room, walls are covered with a thin layer of cork over paper; dining room walls are medium brown glazed with much darker brown. Floors are stained nearly black. Against this monotone background, a variety of textures—leathers, cane, a shaggy rug, a zebra skin, reflecting surfaces of mirrors, cut glass, varnished wood—stand out richly.

Albee: There's another reason for the browns and black: a lot of people have paintings against white walls, but I find that dark walls are a much better background for paintings. Also for flowers. And people show up better against them, too. Lighting should be in the same mood. Bright enough so people can see each other, of course, but not glaring. Subdued light, warm light. Picture lights give good light.

Visitor: How long have you been collecting art?

Albee: I don't think of it as collecting at all. It's simply surrounding myself with the things I like. My family used to have paintings so I've always had art around. Once I was able to afford them myself, it seemed only natural to have my own. I started with some Picasso drawings because of course they were a good deal cheaper than other things. I don't know when I'll stop. It hasn't really become an obsession yet, although I may be kidding myself—it may have already become one.

Paintings and drawings—by, among others, Franz Kline, Chagall, Miró, Milton Avery, Picasso, Juan Gris, Pavel Tchelitchew, Leonard Baskin—fill every room, even the halls. On tables and desk tops everywhere are more treasures—sculptures by Henry Moore, by Zorach, a carved monkey from Italy, an ostrich egg, a Greco-Roman head, shells, a Persian bowl, Chinese vases and boxes, as well as many fat, glossy art books.

Albee: My interest in Chinese art is something recent. Most of the Chinese objects in the house I picked up right here in New York.

I usually bring back a lot of art objects when I go to Europe, too.

Visitor: How does your city house and life differ from your house and life out at Montauk?

Albee: I stay out in Montauk for about five months in the summer to do most of my writing. In the country, I get up around five in the morning and go to bed around ten. As the years go by, I get up earlier and earlier. In the city, it's a different schedule—usually eight to midnight or one in the morning. The country house is a daytime house, quite the opposite to this one. Lots of glass and mirrored walls to reflect the outdoors. You can't tell when you're inside and when you're outside. I use a lot of brown out there, too (*chuckling*) although it *does* go to lighter browns and beige. But, again, a good background for people and things.

Visitor: Do you entertain much here in the city?

Albee: Occasionally. I don't like large parties. About the only large party I give as a rule is on Christmas Day. Maybe about forty or fifty people over around noon for champagne and piroshki and caviar before they go off to their Christmas dinners. But ordinarily I don't like to entertain for more than six or eight. Sometimes I have a dinner party for six and then ask another six or eight over after dinner. Small groups are much nicer. I cook rather well and can manage on my own for six or so unless it's going to be a terribly formal sit-down dinner party. I always arrange the flowers for the house myself. And I like to have a rather formal, beautiful, glittering table. That's easy to do, though. All you have to do is keep everything clean and put it all in the right place. (*Pause*) I used to have a marvelous English housekeeper, but she went mad.

It is almost dark outside the house by now and the street lamps are on. Albee goes over to the living room window and closes the curtains. The room folds in upon itself; the light from lamps and picture lights grows richer. Colors glow, deepen, start their slow, nighttime burn. Woods gleam, treasures glimmer. Like an owl, somnolent during the day, the house is coming alive with the night.

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