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of Sobel and Stein (the latter is sitting down)
was organized in Chicago early in 1946, but they worked jointly long before that, and had designed surburban houses since 1935. During the war, both were in the armed services. When they became civilians again, they did much industrial and commercial work, but retained the interest in good residential architecture they had acquired during the 1930's.
... renzo r. rutili used a fine Italian hand in designing the furniture on pages 44 and 45 . Born in the U.S. of Italian parents, he studied in Italy. returned there on a fellowship after graduation from Carnegie Institute. He began his designing career in 1926, has been with the Johnson Furniture Co. since 1933 as designer and sales representative-a happy combination enabling him to learn, at first hand, the furniture requirements of the average home.

. . . helena davis, who knows a good address when she sees one (page 38 ), has had several careers. She once taught English and Drama at the Emerson College of Oratory in Boston. After the death of her husband, she made a profession of her hobbies, Numerology and Astrology, to support herself and her sons, and see them through college. She practices in Beverly Hills where some of the most celebrated people in the world are among her many clients.
. . . william gilman, after college, was a poison-gas chemist, but soon succumed to the lure of journalism and travel. As reporter, war correspondent, free lance, and author of Our Hidden Front, he has written on history-in-the-making at home and overseas. Since 1940, he and his professional photographer wife (who illustrates much of his work) have lived in Vermont. He writes on science, farming, and gardening-practices the latter, as witness "Let's Go Shopping for Gadiolus," on page 40.


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It didn't take Avery long to discover his sweltering neighbor: secretly harbored similar dreams of backyard pools, but that ide was soon shelved in favor of a community swim club. Afte plenty of footwork and long hours after jobs, the first meetin

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was held in the summer of 1949. To finance this ambitious undertaking, a non-profit corporation was formed; each interested family purchased a share of stock, and when sufficient money accumulated in the treasury, the club acquired a beautiful, rolling, 12-acre tract of land in a secluded wooded area.

While the actual building of the pool was contracted out, members volunteered services that saved thousands of dollars. For instance, member Earl McGillicuddy, an architect (and grandson of baseball's Connie Mack) drew up the blueprints. Donald Senges, a chemical engineer and president of the club, set up the water purification system which is said to be one of the most modern in the country. In charge of all construction was Roy Weston, a sanitary engineer. Businessman Bill Schar headed the grounds committee. An attorney member did the legal work, another member printed the pool signs, and still another drew up the stockholder's prospectus.

When Bill Schar sent out a call for help, men, women, and children rallied 'round with box lunches. They sawed trees, cleared stumps, burned a mountain of brush. All day long a huge coffeepot bubbled over the fire to keep the workers warm. It was combined efforts which cut the costs. In precise, businesslike fashion the members turned the swim club into a cooperative undertaking.

Take the case of the temporary bathhouse. The type of building dictated by the building code was one which present finances couldn't cover. "Someone offered us an old barracks if we'd take it apart and haul it away," explained board member Mrs. Harry Swoyer. "In answer to an SOS, members disassembled the barracks and hauled it to the pool in a trailer truck provided by another member. The bathhouse, complete with a new roof and attractive white side-shingles, was finished in a short time."

When the pool was completed, members added the finishing touches: a terrace of cool, green sod in front, and a window box (made by a member) filled with gay flowers provided by a nurseryman member. Right now, members are building a wading pool for the kiddies close to the main pool. This is part of an over-all plan that includes a modern bathouse, picnic area, and tennis courts.

Besides being a vivid illustration of what cooperation and determination can achieve, the pool is paying off now, not only in sport and enjoyment for all ages, but in new friendships and a true spirit of good neighborliness.

Old barracks, knocked down, transported to the pool, reassembled, and given a new roof and white side shingles, now serves as the bathhouse. Here, swim club members are putting in the boardwalk which runs from the bathhouse to
the pool. Work like this was done on week ends and in spare time

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IIow effectively do you court sleep at your house? Save for the very young, and a few of the very healthy, sleep, which should bless eight hours of every 24 -one third of your whole life-must be cajoled if she's to "knit up the ravell'd sleave of care." We all need lullabies, but when we're grown up, a soothing, attractive room takes over the role of the song and the cradle.
Of course, if you're to make the most of the sleeping third of your life, your bed itself must be sound, and big enough. But modern psychologists tell us that the bedroom, too, is important. It's the last thing, and the first thing, you see every day, and the impression it makes shades your dreams and sets your moods. To affect you adversely, it needn't be downright bad. Maybe it's too frilly, or too severe-for you; maybe it lacks only the proper places to put your things; or perhaps its colors, which might be fine for somebody else, irritate you. Now, we're not trying to tell you (how we wish we could!) that good bedroom designers can put the sleeping pill people out of business. But more often than you'd think possible, a better bedroom can make all the difference between eight restless hours and a perfect night's sleep. The room above was designed to trap sleep's bounty-and so were the others we show you on the next four pages.

IIe won't give up our crusade for master bedrooms decorated with the Master in mind-rooms arranged not only to nest his suits and rest his frame, but to restore his soul as well. Most master bedrooms are Mama's, but if you have enough in common for a happy marriage, you must like enough of the same things to furnish a bedroom which pleases you both. The five examples at your right, even the one furnished for a Master, j.g., are all clearly masculine, but not too stark staringly mannish for the lady of the house. 1. A room like this, pleasant to play in and good for sleep, could see a young man through college days, for its decorations, even to the knights in armor on the draperies, are smartly boyish but not childish. The durable felt bedcover welcomes young fry's rompings, and teen-agers' bull sessions; the tough floor, easy to clean, will take the punishment a boy will give it. 2. Tailored as a well-cut dinner jacket, this room is pleasing to a lady as her lord. There's not a ruffle in sight, but the thick-piled carpet, the wall's worth of drapery, the desert scene over the beds, would make a woman feel like a queen. Note individual bookshelves and the shared one, and don't miss the oversize chest used instead of night tables. Blue-gray, a most restful color, is prescribed for a night's repose, while the golden tones greet the morning sun. 3. A wallpaper panel behind your bed sets the locale of your dreams. The colors of this one are repeated in bedspread and chair print, then toned down by the elephant gray floor and ceiling, and white walls. 4. A monochromatic color scheme, such as this one in varying shades of gray, is excellent in sleeping quarters, especially when the furniture has unusually interesting lines. These sheer wall-to-wall curtains look snug by night, filter light by day. 5. With a good bedroom storage wall, the master won't be crowded out of his closet. See how the wood shades, repeated in the carpet, cradle the definite tricolor scheme.


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For a 24 -hour-a-day room, just back the beds to the walls and make them act like sofas. With its handsomely upholstered couch, the sleeping corner on your left could be in a one-room apartment or a den-guest room. But mark the comfortable mattress, the considerate bed light, and the teal-blue and salmon which are fine colors to say "good night" to. Above, quilted plastic spreads and gay high spirits make this corner arrangement a perfect day-long room for yeungsters of any age


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IIThether it's custom-made or bought in a bargain basement, your bed's daytime dress can make or break the looks of your bedroom. But before you go fancy, be practical, choose a style adaptable to your house and habits. Here are a few tips: If you have no place to store pillows, provide shams or spreads designed to cover them. If comforters can't be stowed away, avoid tightly fitted bed covers which are knocked out of kilter by bulky underdressing. If the room belongs to a nap snatcher, use wrinkleproof, dirt-shedding covers. If you live in a soot-laden area, pale bedskirts aren't for you. If your schedule is tight, spreads which are easy to put on, easy to keep clean, serve you better than elaborate creations. 1. An upholstered board can be a dramatic background for night tables as well as bed. Matching spread is loosely fitted, cushions replace pillows by day. 2. Dress a king-size double with three pillows instead of two. Creamy cover, precisely fitted, knowingly shaped to match headboard, and pertly piped, is handsome-but not carefree. 3. For a girl's room, dress a pair of twins in fitted tops and fluffy skirts, and mask their pillows with a sham. Note how the puff-ball fabric is repeated at the windows. 4. Go Old World with canopied bedsteads (a carpenter can build them) skirted with flounces, puffed with down quilts, and piled high with pillows. 5. We like this one so well we show it on our cover, but repeat its good points here. Note that wallpaper calls the tune, while the copious bed, rich in its fabric and sophisticated tufted headboard, plays a quieter role. The beautifully made spread is easy to use: it covers the pillows, has no extra skirt, is endowed with trim, pleated corners which allow for bulk of blankets below.

6. Its soft tones tempt sleep, but the handsome appointments make this room a pleasure at any hour. Twin beds, backed by a single headboard, each has its own luxurious throw, rounded at the corners to fall in deep folds. Above: Matching bedcover to wallpaper is a serene treatment, especially when the cover is quilted for textural variety



Bedspreads needn't cost a fortune to be pretty and practical assets to a oom-if you plan them as part of an interesting color scheme. With their uffled edging and fold-backs to cover the pillows, these do away with the ost of skirts, cushions, and pillow shams-and the bed is quickly made up. The quilting looks rich, and it makes the spreads practically wrinkle free


This dressing for a double bed would also look well if you wanted to treat a pair of twin beds as one: each could have its own gathered skirt, with a single throw covering both. Don't miss the way that the sealloped edge of the throw, with its contrasting piping, adds a lavish touch. The pillows, resting trimly behind their spruce shams, have the decorative effect of a headboard

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Kitchen Switch-Part 2
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\section*{Is your house senile in the cooking quarters?}

\section*{See what good remodeling can do-without tearing down walls}

IIe never realized when we published the remodeled kitchen in Bob and Natalie Dodge's Chicago home, less than a year ago (see "Kitchen Switch," American Home, May, i951), that we were getting ourselves involved in a continued story. But that's what it turned out to be. Shortly after we went to press last May, the Dodges decided that they needed a larger home to house their expanding family. But fortunately that handsome kitchen had so increased the value of the Dodges' old house that they wound up with a tidy profit on the deal-enough to encourage them to embark upon this kitchen switch in their new home.

It seems to be a common American trait to want something bigger and better. In this case, the Dodges' second house was definitely bigger than the first-but the house itself wasn't a new building, and its kitchen was certainly not better than the bright and smoothly performing one to which they had bid a reluctant adieu! Take a look at the "before" pictures and at the plan on page 75 , and you'll see what we mean.

It wasn't easy on the eyes, and it certainly wasn't worthy of the time the mistress of the house must spend here. But, more important, it was a poorly equipped space-waster and step-waster. The room was so awkwardly arranged that there wasn't even room for a refrigerator-you had to trek out to a back hall every
time you wanted something from it. And of course the old plan couldn't accommodate such modern necessities as a snack bar, the home freezer (which had saved Natalie, an eat-some, freeze-some girl, so many hours of cooking time in her former kitchen), or the dishwasher which she uses even for baby bottles.

And the storage and counter space! There was, to be sure, a whole wall of cabinets in that old-fashioned dresser, but its top shelves were hopelessly out of reach, its drawers were so heavy to pull out, its cupboards too big for good organization. There was a long counter-most of it useless because it was too narrow, because the cupboards hung so close to it, and because its painted surface was always getting chipped.

But there was plenty of wasted wall space and floor space, so the Dodges, enthusiastic about the wonders of their first kitchen remodeling, called in Crosley's planner, Doris Piper, and started all over again. We outline the details on page 75. Save for lowering the soffi: and ripping out old cabinets, there were no architectural changes. But what a difference in performance! And while they made it practical, they made it pretty with the kind of color planning a room for living in deserves. The color was keyed to that posey-strewn wall covering which is decorator-wise in looks, but just as easy to wipe clean as enamel.

FOR MORE ABOUT THIS KITCHEN, SEE PAGE 74
See "Where Credit Is Due" on page 152


BEFORE remodeling, a rickety range led a lonely life here. No working surfaces or cabinets were near it, and that expanse of wall space was wasted in a kitchen which was short on storage and didn't even seem to have enough room to accommodate the refrigerator which was kept, inconveniently, in a hall


AFTER, that blank wall became a cooking center. Two-oven electric range rotary barbecue, too. There are plenty of cabinets here for casseroles, spic and just-reach-up-for-them supplies. Cart next to range slides out from und a maple chopping-board top. Jog was removed to make room for a broom




3 BIG BEDROOMS, 2 BATHS. If you've studied house plans you'll recognize that these bedrooms are far more generous than usual for a house this size

WONDERFUL STORAGE AND BUILT-INS. Look at the size of those wardrobe closets in the bedrooms! Living room has two walls of bookshelves and cabinets

BREEZEWAY AND 2-CAR GARAGE. Breezeway is cool spot for summer meals. Garage has built-in workbench or potting bench with big windows above it

SHELTERED OUTDOOR LIVING AREA. Tucked into the corner of the house at rear, near the kitchen, is a perfect spot for private sheltered terrace

IIouses are our business, but it isn't too often that we find so much to talk about all wrapped up in one house. This one really seems to have everything. Even the barest outline of its features strikes straight at the heart of what the majority of American Home families tell us they want in a house: first of all, three bedrooms and two bathrooms to take care of a growing family. Everything on one floor, with no tiresome steps to climb. And a dining room is a must-but it's nip and tuck with those who want it closely related to the living room. It must be conservative in appearance to fit well in its neighborhood, but it must have many modern features that mark it of today.
This house has all that and more. That's why we have made it American Home Blueprint House No. 12, and can offer complete blueprints and specifications to you at only \(\$ 5\) per set (see page 151). Its handsome brick exterior, the big bay window on the front, the wide recessed entrance with double doors and big brass knobs give it a gracious well-to-do look. There's another big bay window on the side that floods the dining room with light, and even a third one in the breakfast area of the kitchen. The breezeway connetting the house with the garage was just made for lazy summer lounging, and there's a well lighted workbench or potting bench inside the two-car garage.
A study of the plan reveals even more. The house is keyed to center hall planning. As you step into the entry hall from the front door the house divides itself for study into three areas. To the left, one step down, is the living room and dining room, an unbroken sweep of space almost 40 feet long, from the front to the back of the house. A wonderful area for entertaining or easy family living, with plenty of room for big sofas and chairs. There's a corner built in with cabinets and shelves.

Straight ahead, as you enter the house, is a door leading to kitchen-breakfast room, and on through to the breezeway, garage, and terrace at the rear. To your right is a hallway (the second bath opens off it) leading to the three bedrooms. Two of these bedrooms have big corner windows, the third has a large triple-window.
There is a partial basement for laundry and heating equipment-plenty of room for washing machine, dryer, sinks, and there's a clothes chute to the basement. The house is heated with forced air from a gas-fired furnace.

The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Meites, have tastefully furnished the house largely with 18th-Century English reproductions against softly colored backgrounds of paint and wallpapers. The architect was Walter H. Sobel of the firm Walter H. Sobel and J. Stewart Stein; the decorator was Charles E. Day of Trend Interiors. More photographs of the interiors are shown on the two following pages, and on pages 86 and 88 . Two bedrooms appear in color: page 28, picture 1 , and page 29 , bottom right picture.


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Living room is sunken one step down from rest of house, measures \(17 \times 27\) feet. Wall-to-wall carpet continues into bay window adding almost 4 feet to length of room. Bay window is almost floor-to-ceiling, is curtained like rest of windows in a twill fabric printed in red and green on white background. Simple fireplace is faced with black marble, has polished brass accessories of contemporary design. Dining room beyond, like living room, is furnished with 18th Century reproductions.

\section*{This Ilouse has Everyghing}
(Begins on page 34)
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fer many years as a professional numerologist, I've found that clients are as apt to ask me if they should buy a house whose street number adds up to 5 or 8 , as they are to consult me about a name for a baby or about a favorable date for travel by air.

Many people who are familiar with the latter types of questions have never heard that a house number is important. But it is. Each house or apartment has its own rate of vibration and radiates an atmosphere, just as each person radiates a different kind of personality. If you don't believe it, think back to the times when you were house huntingyou walked into some places you liked at once, but other houses you just didn't care to finish seeing. You've heard people say, "I just love this placeI've been so happy here, I hate to think of leaving this house." Such a person's Destiny or Soul numbbet is in harmony with that house. Ire tested it again and again, and it is amazing to see how mathematical life is. All is law and order in the universe. It is only in human affairs that confusion exists because people go against law and order.

You've heard that "What is medicine for one man is poison for another." You harmonize better with some people than with others, and it is likewise with houses. One person will love a house another can hardly bear to live in. Oh, the architectyre, the house plan, and the location all play a part, but there is also the atmosphere you feel about each house as you enter it-even before there are personalities there to color the atmosphere.

If you'd like to interpret your own house, add the numbers in your address and reduce them to one digit. This way:
215 is \(2+1+5=8\), so this house adds up to 8 . 319 is \(3+1+9=13\), which is \(1+3\) or 4 , so it's a 4 . 3160 is \(3+\mathrm{I}+6+0=10\), or \(\mathrm{I}+0\), so this is a I .

House No. I has dignity, originality, and an air of exclusiveness. An aloneness may be felt within
its walls at times, but it is meant for individual thought and creative activity. It tends toward independence and leadership. The lesson to be learned is to be firm, strong-minded, and persistent. This is the atmosphere of the pioneer and the inventor.

House No. 2 demands cooperation within its walls. It is the number of tact and diplomacy, and those who live here must learn to be peacemakers at all times. This vibration leans toward domestic activity and love of home and children. The house may not look as orderly as some, but it assures you comfort and cheerfulness. The window sills may be filled with unnecessary things, and the drawers may be cluttered with objects you don't use any more. But you'll not be henpecked nor nagged at. You may have to overcome sensitiveness and be a little more aggressive.

House No. 3 radiates love, gaiety, frivolity, happiness, and optimism. There may be the lesson of having to learn to concentrate within these walls, because the air of versatility and flexibility may tend to scatter talents and energies.

House No. 4 is run by order and routine. Discipline reigns! This is the work and duty number. Straightforwardness and honesty are keywords to describe this vibration. There should be growing plants here. The lighter side of life should be stressed. TV might help break the monotony.

House No. 5 will never see a dull moment. The poet who wrote "The House by the Side of the Road" must have had this type of house in mind. It is the number of the "hail-fellow-well-met"rich, poor, old and young are all welcome. I waited for months for a 5 office and, sure enough, I was rewarded: the activity in that office doubled my business! Originality permeates the atmosphere. Everything must be done from a new angle. No lazy person can live in this enthusiastic atmosphere without getting a "shot in the arm."

House No. 6 looks comfortable and radiates PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 103


\section*{Sweet Pastime}

1o day, Jeannette Caskey maintains, ever seems gloomy at home, for in front of her pet window she displays her collection of sparkling, colored glass sugar shakers which filter the light and make everything cheery. And no day of antique hunting with her husband, George, is ever gloomy, either-something always turns up. For instance, there was the hot Indian summer afternoon they had a flat on a country road. Suddenly, a man with an ancient beard and merry young eyes appeared to offer help. He also offered them their pick of any heirloom glassware in his house. Nothing worth getting excited about there, it turned out-but in the chicken coop, forgotten and encrusted with dust, Jeannette found a cranberry-colored glass sugar shaker-now a great prize of the Caskey collection, and No. I in the illustration on page 126.
During the Victorian era, housewives used such shakers for a liberal Victorian sprinkling of sugar on desserts. "Muffineers," some people call them, but the Caskeys learned, among country folk, to ask for "large salt shakers." Made at a time when a prosperous America decked its homes with intricate glass, they
show great inventiveness in design and color. Their tops may be silver plate-a humbler tin usually caps them. Certain types are rare, but others were once so plentiful that enough survive to make them fascinating, not-too-steeply priced, collectors' items.
The soft colors of old glass were especially appealing to Jeannette, who started her antique garnering some 20 years ago when she taught American history in a grammar school. A believer in "visual aids," she illustrated her lessons with objects of past epochs which brought them to life-things like spinning wheels, kettles, and glass which her pupils could see, touch, understand. And while she sought them for her work, she came to love them for themselves, and to love the joy and excitement of discovering and owning them. In short, she became a Collector.

George Caskey is in on the fun, too, for he delights in those week-end jaunts through the Illinois countryside which is such a fertile source of igth-century Americana. They drive to small towns, seek out the oldest residents, and load the car with fresh produce while they coax the oldsters to sell some glass as well.
please turn to page 126

\section*{Let's Go Shopping for}

Start with a modest supply, and the rest is simple.
While the plants bloom, the bulbs are multiplying undergrou

Table 1. WHICH SIZE BULB TO BUY? (See text for suggestions)
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Table 2. GLADIOLUS COLOR CLASSIFICATION
(See fext for explanations of how used)
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|}
\hline Class & Color & Tone and Marking \\
\hline First figure is floret size (See Table 3) & & W - with; WO - without WOW - with or without C - conspicuous; M - marking \\
\hline \multirow[t]{3}{*}{000} & White & 00-W.O.M. \\
\hline & White & 01 -W.M. \\
\hline & Cream & 06 - W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{4}{*}{010} & Yellow & 10 (Light) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Yellow & 12 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Buff & 16 - W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Orange & 20 (Light) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow{2}{*}{020} & Orange & 22 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Orange & 24 (Red-orange) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{030} & Salmon & 30 (Light) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Salmon & 32 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{036} & Scarlet & 36 - W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Scarlet & 37 - W.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{3}{*}{040} & Pink & 40 (Light) W.O.M. \\
\hline & Pink & 41 (Light) W.M. \\
\hline & Pink & 42 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{3}{*}{050} & Red & 50 (Light) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Red & 52 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Red & 54 (Black) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{060} & Rose & 60 (Light) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Rose & 62 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline 066 & Lavender & \(66-\) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline 070 & Purple & \(70-\) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{076} & Violet & 76 (Light) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & Violet & 78 (Deep) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{6}{*}{080} & Smoky & \(80-\) W.O.W.C.M. \\
\hline & sh & 82 (Orange smoky) \\
\hline & & 83 (Salmon smoky) \\
\hline & & 84 (Pink smoky) \\
\hline & & 85 (Red smoky) \\
\hline & & 86 (Lavender and/or rose smoky) \\
\hline 090 & Any other & Polychromes \\
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\end{tabular}

\section*{Gladiolus}

1|he gladiolus has been called "everybody's orchid" because it's literally a beautiful bargain-a queenly flower of distinction, easily grown by amateurs, far more costly in appearance than in money spent. In addition, its versatility brings together landscaping and interior decorating. It gives regal beauty to the garden, and what is more striking than an armful of freshly cut spikes taken indoors to create handsome line and color effects? Also the plants reproduce freely; while they are blooming, the bulbs are multiplying underground. (Technically, we should call them "corms" and the tinier ones "cormels." But as most catalogues, and probably your neighbors, call them bulbs and bulblets, we'll bow to common usage and do likewise:)
A beginner can start with a neighbor's surplus bulbs, but it's better to buy some from a reputable seedsman or gladiolus specialist; the neighbor's variety may have deteriorated or be infested with the plant's one serious insect pest, thrips. Also dealers offer an up-to-date choice in new varieties as well as time-tried, ever-popular, older ones like Supreme, Lady Jane, and the famous Picardy. You could start as we did, by buying nine pedigreed bulbs, three each of your favorite colors, for less than a dozen cut glads would cost at the florist's. Instead of their being gone
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For an owner-built house, concrete brick was a wise choice of material since it is thick enough to require no inside wall construction, and because the small units are relatively easy to handle. When they were delivered, they were \(\varepsilon\) st in piles near the spots where they were to be used-a bit of foresight which saved the Booths both time and labor

When she started, the house's future mistress didn't know a trowel from a try square, but she learned to lay bricks with accuracy

Handsome, custom-cut shakes shingle the roofbut young Mr. B. did the actual roofing

Any handy man ean finish his carpentry. This one first installed a sound electrical wiring system behind those well-cut wood panels

They called in professionals to help them to locate their plumbing system, and they invested in top-quality fixtures and pipes, but after reading every pamphlet on the subject, and asking dozens of questions Otis Booth did the actual plumbing installation

\title{
Cost: 1 Year of their Lives!
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IIere's American tradition in operation: a young couple, blessed with natural gifts, and guts, building their own home. No bridal bower, no dream cottage for two, it's a big ( \(3100 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}\).) house they can live in forever, though they could sell it at a substantial profit. Built of top-grade materials, it actually cost \(\$ 4.25\) a square foot plus a year of their lives-every day of it. To build it, F. Otis Booth, Jr., put off his career for a year! But careful research made him and his bride decide that the difference between the cost of a house they could buy, and the finished value of one built by themselves, amounted to more than most young men could earn in a year. They were right-they would have been right even if housing costs hadn't risen.
Of course enthusiasm, courage, and broad
shoulders weren't enough. Though he had never built a thing. Otis had studied some engineering, and he had capital enough to finance the project and to support them, stringently, while they built. But their story has meaning for millions who can't spare a year. How much week-end labor could you contribute to building a house? How much could you save by laying tile, by painting. by simple carpentry? Labor for such things costs a small fortune!

Months of fact-finding preceded the project. The Booths drew their plans, paid an architect to check them. Help came from a friendly contractor who was on hand at crucial points: when ground lines were laid out, when the roof was framed, when floors were put in. They paid professionals to please turn to page hiz

Building their home took this happy pair 11 months, every day from sunup to sundown. Then came the finishing. The concrete brick was painted, inside and out, to give their walls



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Profile of dining table at left shows architectural detail in maple base, fine modeling in beveled edge of cherry top. 60 by \(36 \mathrm{in} ., 29 \mathrm{in}\). high. (About \(\$ 152\) ) Legs and back of side chair are solid maple skillfully handled to look like bentwood construction. Back slats are curved for seating comfort. (About \(\$ 79\) plus cover)
- Back in the twenties, Sweden began producing furniture of a fine simplicity to fit the needs of their small homes. Almost neo-classic, it captured the interest of designers in other countries. Now in Italy, in particular, craftsmen are reworking it, giving it a more sculptured appearance, adding refinements to give it an elegant air. Long familiar with "Swedish Modern," Americans are now being introduced to our translations of this Italian modern. Like the forerunners in any trend, these first examples bear a somewhat higher price tag. To familiarize you with this important development, here are a few pieces from a new group. Done in warm-toned cherry, light-toned maple, they interpret the combination of casualness and elegance so fitting for our homes. The works of other designers showing this same influence are on pages 100 and ror.


Wormy chestnut top, brass tipped legs of specially treated cold rolled steel add interesting texture variation. Table, left, 32 by 20 by \(161 / 2 \mathrm{in}\). high. (\$49)

Three drawers open from either side to give desk at right maximum versatility in placement and use.
X-leg, reminiscent of Colonial trestle, gives casual look to elegant piece. 56 by 26 by 29 in . high. ( \(\$ 265\) )

Ample-sized hostess chair at right repeats the cradle base used throughout as support for chests and tables to give a feeling of suspension. ( \(\$ 127\) plus cover)


\section*{Modern furniture is no isolationist.}

Like many of its predecessors, this group borrows heavily from Europe-this time from Italy-to bring us a new trend



FREDERICK E. SLOAN, ARCHITECT
Data from Jessie Walker

Two-part remodeling gave it a better plan and better looks. First they made the tiny dining room part of the living room, added a bay, and enlarged the kitchen. Then they brought the porch indoors, using its area to enlarge the front bedroom and to create a good entry


\section*{House Is 38 Years 0ld!}

IITe've talked so much, in this remodeling series, about the old front porch and why you should bid it farewell, that we don't want you to think we're a pack of saplings who can't remember what fun porches used to be back in the days when you could sit there on a fine evening batting the breeze with the neighbors. We're agin' them now, because you can no longer use them so happily in this Advanced Auto Age when the breeze is carbon monoxide and the rumbling of trucks drowns out the katydids. Now front porches just eat up your space and block the sun from your rooms, while back porches, turned to your garden, really give you what you want. The Robert Craggs, who own this house, figured it the same way. So after they added a breakfast room in the rear (it's so full of windows it acts like a porch), they just made their front porch part of the interior. See what this renovation did for their layout: Most of the
area of the former porch became part of the master bedroom, which is now big and bright instead of smallish and dark. But they "stole" part of it, and a part of the bedroom area as well, to create a good entry with its coat closet, plus that enormous new storage closet in the bedroom.

Of course the exterior improvement is plain as the nose on your face. The porch seemed to hide the house, bashfully-the trim new stoop and the gay new door with its flanking shutters give it poise and grace. And while they were at it, the Craggs put in a new living-room window complete with flower box.

This family already knew the virtues of remodeling, for the face-lifting was the final step in a planned program for bringing the house up to date. Since buying it in 1944, they added the too-narrow dining room to the living room, put in a bay window, enlarged the kitchen, and improved the upstairs bedrooms.

\section*{Outdoor Ideas Worth}


\section*{Copying}

DOROTHY LAMBEET TIRUMM



\section*{Build this barbecue}

\section*{in your back yard}
- This baronial brick barbecue is worthy of beef's present-day dignity. Because it can improve your outdoor outlook so handsomely, we've prepared full how-to-build-it instructions for you in American Home's Blueprint Construction Pattern 2008. It has an honest-to-goodness spit in addition to a broiling grill, and there are two storage cabinets, one for utensils and one for charcoal or briquettes. Its wide counter space is made of tile and will hold all the boards and all the seasonings you'll need. To make it part of the scenery, flank it with planters filled with your favorite flowers. It may act like a sandbox, but that vessel on your right is really a magic ship on which your moppets and their friends can embark for voyages to the enchanted lands so dear to childhood -while they remain right in your own yard, on your own sea of green. When we found it, it was a rowboat past its prime, priced at \(\$ 5\). We gave it a few minor repairs, a bright coat of blue inside, and painted the exterior white. Then we added the magic in the form of entrancing decorations-American Home patterns, of course: Painting Pattern 1383.

Sure to delight you as much as the ship's crew are the marionettes who point up the bow and act as guardians of the stern, the posies strewn in scallops all over port and starboard, the turquoise waves which lap along the bottom. Fill it with a cargo of sand, and every kid in town will
want to sign on for passage.



\section*{Pave your terrace} ...er make your own cement-block walk
- Been yearning for a patio with a masonry floos back under the shade of that big tree? Been dreaming of a long stepping-stone walk leading graciously to your door-some day? Trust us! We know that labor comes high, and that flagstone and slate, the usual materials for such purposes, are beyond most budgets. So we found out just how work of this type can be done, over week ends, by the master of the house-using cement blocks which won't break the bankroll. The information is all there: how to construct the forms, mix and pour the cement, etc., in American Home's Blueprint Construction Pattern 2009.

SEE PATTERN ORDER FORM ON PAGE 153


\(2005\)


\section*{AMERICAN HOME \(L\) ESSO \\ TABLE SETTING PRIMER LES}

\title{
Whats Nrong \\ \\ with This Table?
} \\ \\ with This Table?
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Tou can't find anything wrong with it? Well, don't dash for your dunce cap-there are no glaring gaffes here, no horrible mistakes. The table, lesigned for a bride-to-be's luncheon or her bridesmaids, boasts all the ight china, glass, and silver, all very andsome and all properly arranged. The linen is crisp and clean and fine a quality, as the occasion meritsnd the napkins are placed where hey should be. The colors do not lash, and the centerpiece, like everyhing else here, is in perfectly good aste. In fact, this table looks as if had been set "by the book." And lat's just what's wrong with it! It cks personality, individuality, and agination. It's a rubber-stamp table, "me too."
To show how a little thought could pprove it, we took the identical ina, glass, and silver (and the same hens with colors reversed) and used em to far greater advantage in anher setting, shown on the next page. at before you peek, play a game to st yourself as a judge of table setags. See our standards of judgment "How to Judge" on page 120, and ore this setting in the box below. ren turn the page to discover how rate this table and why-and to how we set a better one without vesting an extra cent!
Now, of course, this is a very spe1 table, set with Mother's best for ughter's once-in-a-lifetime predding luncheon. It was worth takpains about. And so, we are sure please turn to page 120

\section*{YOUR BOX SCORE}
(Highest possible score, 20 pts.)
NOVEITY AND IMAGINATION
a. MATERIALS \(\qquad\)
b. ARRANGEMENT \(\qquad\)
ARTISTIC PERFECTION
a. GOOD LOOKS \(\qquad\)
b. DISTINCTION \(\qquad\)
c. SIMPLICITY
d. FUNCTIONALISM

TOTAL
gertrude brassard, Table Setting


\section*{THIS IS CORRECT}

\({ }^{\text {h }}\)he table on page 53 would be nothing to remember, but wouldn't this one be an inspiration to a bride and her friends? Here are our reasons for liking it, and for scoring the other one low. novelty and rmagination: Materials-Both are set with standard appointments, but the floral piece here is outstanding. We credit the setting on page 53 with a point for borrowing the china's roses for the centerpiece. But how much better fewer blooms are here, bedded in shapely magnolia leaves, festively gilded! And what place cards they make! Arrangement-No imagination on page 53 , and a round zero on that score. Moving decoration to one side changed the pace-for the better. And what fun to hang gifts on the main decoration! Artistic perfection: Both tables are good looking, simple, and completely functional, so even the poorer one rates well. But it has no whit of distinction, so off with two points. And it's too yellow-minus one point for good looks. Switching colors of linens was a great improvement, and wrapping gifts in silver instead of gold made a difference.

See "Where Credit Is Due" on page 152

\section*{OUR BOX SCORE (For Setting on Page 53)}

\section*{1. NOVELTY AND IMAGINATION \\ ARTISTIC PERFECTION}
a. MATERIALS
(1)
b. ARRANGEMENT
(0)
a. GOOD LOOKS \(\qquad\) (3)
b. DISTINCTION
c. SIMPLICITY (2)
d. FUNCTIONALISM (2)
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\section*{}

Rain or shine, hot or cold, you're always prepared with a full SOUP SHELF

Turns chilly ... turn to soup! When spring should be warm and isn't, and the youngsters are chilled, hot soup

Tomato Soup (They love "to drink \(i t\) ") Crunchy Crackers


ANNE MARSHALL Director Home Economics Campbell Soup Company

Bx Ame Marshall
Your best bet for April's sudden shifts in weather is soup ... as versatile as it is delicious! And a full soup shelf takes the worry out of weather because you're ready for almost any cooking emergency.

Come cold, soup warms and sustains your shivering children. When rain turns your home into an island there are always good meals in that kitchen cupboard. On a sudden warm day, soup can be the main attraction of a cool sandwich or salad meal. But you really need plenty of soup on hand; family favorites, a few made with chicken or beef stock, some of vegetable, and extra cans of tomato and cream of mushroom to use as a cooking sauce in luscious casseroles, soufflés, and creamed dishes. Are you ready for April?
One glance at your soup shelf will tell you.

Snug and Smug . . .thanks to soup! Clever, clever you! Let it finest restaurant eat as nicely as in then outside your door. without taking a step Soup

Chicken Soup (Dark and light chicken Sandwich Loaf Frosted Cream Cheese CoffeeApricot Whip
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Suddenly sunny . . soup's a "honey"! Let vegetable soup help you. It fills the bill for the one hot
cool menu vegetable Soup
Noge a meal in itself!) (Almost a Cheese Dressing Tossed Salad with Coffee Blueberry Pie

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Spring Lunctieon For The firls
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\section*{Pastel notes for entertaining . . . Caraway}

\section*{cups of ham, chicken, shrimp . . . Apricot}

\author{
ice cream in a crisp coconut torte
}

1luncheon table should be pretty as spring itself-the food, the appointments-and when we're having the girls in, we find that it's fun to fuss and take the time to serve something out of the ordinary. Not that we exactly try to "outdo" our hostess of a week ago, but what woman doesn't like to do herself proud?

Yet when we sit down to make our plans, that something "a little different"-original, good looking, and good-may seem like a tall order. We've filled it for you with these luncheon dishes bound to bring you new ideas. What's more, you'll discover that this menu is planned to please girls from 16 to 60 !

Speaking of spring songs, no better trio could be found than the "saucy" one in those toast baskets. Proverbial creamed chicken, favorite though it is, has changed character completely. It captures new taste appeal when we dice it and blend it with cubed ham and lovely pink-and-white striped shrimp into one beautiful medley wonderful enough to call a "melody." Incidentally, you will find shrimp frozen in the package for easy, convenient use. Served up in a smooth-as-satin cheese sauce, then ladled into crispy toast baskets which have a real caraway flavor, it makes a luncheon dish the girls will remember you by.
To our way of thinking, nothing could add more glamour to any meal than round, plump, delicate mushrooms. You see them here perked up with added color and flavor, and fashioned into bonnets for a filling of chopped tomato and parsley. Perfect for luncheon, perfect for your next dinner party-an elegant touch any time.
Luncheon in our home (and we'll wager in yours, too!) isn't complete without the goodness of feather-light homemade rolls, luscious bits of dough made into cloverleafs, fanciful bowknots, and fat little crescents-piping hot. Nut-studded dates make surprise centers for rolls subtly teamed with orange-and we pass along our tip for crowning them with a shining sugar glaze. Nowadays, foolproof hot roll mixes spare us the most time-consuming part of roll making but leave us the pride we take when a bountiful roll tray is passed 'round the table.
Calorie conscious we may be, but most girls can adopt a "hips away" attitude when a really queenly dessert winds up a regal luncheon. In Apricot Cloud, we give you a recipe with a dividend, for we not only tell you how to make the creamy apricot ice cream in the center, but we also outline our way with a company torte shell rich with the goodness of coconut. If time is at a premium, the torte may be filled with drug-store ice cream. But we hope you'll try our very own luscious ice cream-it's extrasmooth, blended with melted marshmallow, and flavored with the good apricot which adds the springtime note this luncheon deserves.




\section*{Economy cake goer Easter-eleqants WITH BAKER'S COCONUT!}

It's Easter-and your heart says, "Make a lovely cake!" While your budget says, "Go easy!" Lacy, luscious Baker's Coconut can help you do both!
First, make an economy cake-like the one suggested below-or buy two
layers. Then frost and drift high with tender, snow-white Baker's Coconut. And behold-an Easter Glory Cake! Use Baker's Coconut often to glorify thrifty desserts! On fruits, Jell-O desserts, custards, rice pudding, salads.

EASTER GLORY CAKE
Make a thrifty two-egg cake using recipe on Swans Down Cake Flour box. Then go Easter-elegant w very little cost! \(\qquad\) unbeaten
\(11 / 2\) cups sugar
Dash of salt
\(1 / 3\) cup water
teaspoons light corn syrup
\(11 / 2\) cups Baker's Coconut
1 teaspoon vanilla

Follow frosting directions on Baker's Coconut package. sith jelly beans. with flavor-fresh Baker's (top). Wonderful coconut delights made in a jiffy with Baker's Cheerio Coconut Chews Ice Cream Mix! Coconutand Ten-B-LowIceCream Mix. (See recified Ambrosia (below). GrapeGlorified Amge sections, red cherries,
fruit and orange snowy drifts of luscious Baker's Coconut.
Products of General Foods

> \(\infty\)BakER'S
Coconut

\section*{fiood Victuals}
(Begins on page 58)
like sour cream.
There's always the exception and I think this will be it. Besides, don't you think it great fun to get the ooh-la-la's for a dish basically simple yet subtly, intriguingly different? It's a fun name for a very fine dish and you try it. Rice Café is the favorite rice recipe of Cleo Kerley, the food gal on Hollywood's Citizen News. So good and so logical a com-bination-rice and coffee-it's one of those "why didn't I think of that" ideas. And if your family gives you trouble when you proclaim the virtues of liver, try this one. In little slivers, it joins forces with onions and looks totally unlike the plain, bare-fact liver your family disdainfully turns up its nose at.
A few hours ago I was exhorting a group of young matrons in Florida to appreciate and use the bounty all about them-coconuts and pineapple, oranges and grapefruit-a list ten fingers long, yet too seldom used in the infinite variety possible where fruits and berries are abundant, beautiful, and cheap. And now I am flying over that great and wonderful state of Texas, writing about Mrs. Miller's Kansas cooking and Chicago-born Jessie Walker's Swiss great-grandmother's recipe for liver and onions, served up with big plump potatoes from Idaho; oysters caught and "boxed" Chesapeake-Bay style; a beautiful brunette rice dessert, the rice grown in our own South, the coffee it's cooked in from Brazil; cheese from Wisconsin and apples from the state of Washington-are we not blessed beyond all peoples of the world? To live in a country that is a melting pot of all the nations in the world, so vast in area that regional cooking has practically a national difference, transportation and distributing systems that bring the bounty of each state to us in as fresh a condition as though they had come from our own county instead of a thousand miles hence. I hope I shall never grow callous to the wonder of it. Whenever I cook there is always the excitement of beautiful, colorful ingredients there before me, and, if used skillfully and imaginatively, will come to the table a fine, finished product to bring glory upon myself, pleasure and gratification to my family. Just let me catch you saying cooking is dull! It is one of the fine arts within the scope and ability of every woman in this land. It is fun because it is creative. The "tools," be they the ingredients or the recipe, are full of history or tradition. Why, even that pinch of spice has a fascinating origin. What's dull about cooking?
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\section*{Gack Sailbat Salad}

1 pint cottage cheese Lettuce
6 canned cling peach halves Green pepper Canned pimiento
Make low mounds of cottage cheese on lettuce-lined salad plates. Top with 2 drained peach halves. Fill each with cheese. Set "sail" cut from green pepper upright in each peach half and circle pepper with pimiento. Serves 3.

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GLDRIA MARSHALL
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Four tbs. of sugar are added very gradually-1 tbs. at a time. Beat well after each addition; this assures a fine texture

STEP 3
Continue beating until mixture is just stiff and stands in soft, glossy peaks when beater is raised All ready to shape into individuals, swirling pie filling, or use to suit your



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\section*{Luncheon Hits}

IIntertaining was meant for the imaginative hostess, and here are more luncheon suggestions for you. Even though it is fun to fuss, luncheons are sometimes "spur-of-the-moment." We pass along to you our favorite impromptu ideas the girls are bound to love and remember
Prepare cherry-flavored or limeflavored gelatin according to directions on the package using \(11 / 2\) cups liquid. Pour into a shallow pan. Chill until slightly thickened, then fold in I cup diced celery, 2 tbs. grated lemon rind, and \(1 / 4\) cup lemon juice. Chill until firm, then cut in \(1 / 2\)-inch cubes. Cut avocados in half and fill with gelatin. Place in beds of endive and serve with a tangy salad dressing. Or try the ham, chicken, and shrimp combination you see on page 57 . Instead of the cheese sauce, use your best salad dressing. Heap on pear halves and arrange on assorted greens. Garnish with scored cucumber slices
What better salad partner than crisp crackers spread with pimiento cheese and topped with bacon bits? Slip under broiler until cheese melts.
Quick as a wink and good is this dessert! Combine white cake mix according to directions on the package and tint batter a pale green. Bake in a greased and floured \(8^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime \prime}\) baking pan. To serve, cut into squares. Cover with mint sherbet from the corner store and top with chocolate sauce. Sprinkle with toasted almond slivers If you prefer, fold I cup cut marshmallows into devil's food cake mix. Bake as directed. Serve with raspberry sherbet and pecans.
nother luncheon-in-one for the girls -try adding a can of plump little Vienna sausages to canned baked beans. Top generously with grated sharp cheese, then pop into the oven Heat until bubbly. Need something crunchy with this quick casserole? Combine I cup each sour cream and cottage cheese, \(1 / 4\) cup white vinegar, and \(1 / 2\) cup grated onion. Toss with 4 cups coarsely cut cabbage. And for a real star-prepare hot roll mix as directed. Roll out in a rectangle, then spread lightly with brown sugar moistened with orange juice. Roll up and cut into \(1 / 2\)-inch slices. Be sure to bake them in greased muffin pans.

And now-a dessert done in a jiffy! Prepare 2 packages pie-crust mix as directed and roll out to \(1 / 8\)-inch thickness. Cut out into 4 circles 9 inches in diameter. Place on baking sheets and prick very well. Bake until lightly browned. Cool and spread each with soft custard, made from the package. Fit pieces together in a stack. Thaw a package of frozen raspberries and pour over top layer. Chill and serve.

Gay and Easy I Desserts,salads, fuitcups with Canned FruitCocktail from California


EASY RECIPES

\section*{French Fruit Tar's}
\(13 / 4\) cups canned fruit cocktail
1 (3-oz.) pkg. cream cheese 2 tablespoons fruit cocktail syrup
2 tablespoons mint jelly 6 baked 3-inch tart shells Drain fruit cocktail. Soften cream cheese with syrup. Add lightly beaten jelly; beat until fluffy. Spread in bottom of tart shells; fill each shell with fruit cocktail. Serves 6.

\section*{Golden Fruit Salads}

2 cups canned fruit cocktail \(11 / 3\) cups fruit cocktail syrup 3 tablespoons sugar 1 envelope Knox Gelatine 3 tablespoons lemon juice \(1 / 3\) cup orange juice Salad greens
Drain fruit cocktail. Heat the syrup with sugar. Soften Knox Gelatine in lemon juice; dissolve in hot liquid. Add orange juice; cool until syrupy. Stir in fruit cocktail.Turn into small molds; chill'til firm. Makes 6 molds.

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Spring Luncheon
(Begins on page 56)


\section*{Theres Another Diner}

\section*{on that Roast!}

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1he week-end roast can, and should, be good eating to the very end. To make its second and third appearance on the dinner table a happy one, imagination is your most important ingredient. Here are a few tricks discovered in our American Home kitchen which we hope you'll find helpful in keeping meat good to the last bite.

For that last bit of beef roast, chop it fine and fold into your favorite cheese souffé. One fourth cup of welldrained pickle relish is a good addition, too! Try serving it with a chilled apricot salad.

Slice cold roast pork into a well-seasoned curry sauce. Serve piping hot over fluffy rice. Or combine cooked pork with sauerkraut in a baking dish, dot with catsup and prepared mustard, and bake in a moderate oven. Green peas in patty shells make a good accompaniment.

Chopped pressed veal, seasoned with chili sauce, grated radishes and horseradish, then moistened with mayonnaise which has been thinned with lemon juice, is a tangy appetite tempter. Pile it lightly on beds of water cress and garnish with garlic-pickle fans. Another way to serve planned-over veal is to chop cooked veal roast into bits, and fold the chopped bits into your pet tomato aspic.

Add diced cooked leg of lamb to a super-creamed egg recipe; whip up popovers from a mix, then fill baked shells with the lamb-egg mixture. Serve proudly with tiny molds please turn the page

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of mint jelly. Now add a giant bowl of green salad. Cut cooked pot roast into bite-sized pieces; combine lightly with cooked green beans, carrot slices, peas and diced celery; add some crumbled potato chips, and moisten with French dressing. Chill thoroughly. Spoon into lettuce cups. Sauté thin slices of roast ham until lightly browned on both sides, and serve sandwich style with creamy scrambled eggs, seasoned with chives, in between ham slices. Scored cucumber slices which have been marinated in vinegar, then dusted with paprika, are pretty on the side.
For corned beef, start with your own favorite hash recipe. Then form the mixture into small balls, dip in slightly beaten egg and fine cracker crumbs, and fry in deep fat until brown on all sides. Serve with a nippy cheese sauce plus asparagus sprinkled with lemon butter.
Shape ground cooked liver into patties, and roll in crumbled bacon. Broil until browned. Turn and crown each with a slice of Swiss cheese. Continue broiling until cheese melts. Team these with creamed potatoes and an orange, onion-ring salad. "Easy-to-do" describes this one.
Diced chicken tossed with drained pineapple chunks and celery seed is something new for your family-or your guests. It makes a salad which is especially appealing served in hollowed-out cucumber halves.
Chopped roast turkey heated in gravy and served in cream-puff shells is favorite eating suited to any occasion. Serve broiled peach halves sprinkled with cinnamon and dotted with butter or margarine. Chilled beets with a vinaigrette sauce adds the needed tang.


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Kitchen Switdh-Part 2
(Begins on page 32)



The plan above and the pictures on pages 32 and 33 show the good living you can fit into an out-of-date kitchen without any major structural changes. In the old one, space was squandered, but there was no room for a freezer or dish-washer-or even a refrigerator! There was no place for eating. It was short on usable cabinet space, and the work counter was narrow and inconvenient to range and sink where you want them. The new plan has everything, and the breakfast room was redone to match. There's a wealth of cabinets filling every available inch of wall space. Areas are strictly divided for step-saving: for cooking, the two-oven electric range has its own cupboards, and next to it a serving cart and chopping board; for cleaning up, dishwasher and sink with garbage disposer are within easy reach of dish closets; for food storage, freezer is next to refrigerator. There's a snack bar, and wide counters are everywhere.

At the far left, Natalie Dodge shows off the endowments of that cart next to the range. When not in use, it slides right under enormous, counter-high wooden chopping block. But because it rolls easily, it's often in use. Its own top acts like additional work space in the cooking center, its two shelves hold all manner of things, and when the meal is
 cooked, it carries the food into the dining room. Natalie's also proud of the dishwasher, and this model may also be used dry for warming dishes. A pretty kitchen like this is such a part of family life that Greg keeps his savings here in this mug from Grandma

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\section*{How to Wash "Horribles"}


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To remove unpleasant odors from any pan, wash in hot, soapy water, adding two tbs. vinegar to one quart water. Soak if necessary


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Place food-filled jars on rack in pressure saucepan; be sure jars do not touch. Add water up to three inches. Follow manufacturer's rule for preparing jars, closures; jars sterilize during processing

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Lady, if you've been using that good pressure saucepan of yours only for daily cooking, you've been wasting one of its great talents-its ability to preserve food for you, a few jars at a time, painlessly, the year 'round. Canning needn't involve a whole production. Here's all you do: Whenever your menu includes a vegetable, a soup, or a stew suitable for putting up in jars, buy double or triple the quantity. Cook as much as you need to serve immediately, and while that's going on, fill two or three jars with the rest, and process according to directions in the booklet which came with your pressure saucepan. The actual processing doesn't take much extra time this way, and, before you know it, your pantry shelf will seem almost to stock itself!
Autumn may have always been your canning season, but other seasons offer their own good buys in foods to preserve the pressure saucepan way. (For a list of such seasonal bounty, write to the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C., for their free booklet, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Supplies.)

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Allow steam to flow in steady stream for ten minutes. Place gauge. As soon as pressure is reached, start counting processing time. Refer to your pressure saucepan direction book for length of time


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When pressure has returned to zero of its own accord (don't run tap water over it), lift cover toward you to keep steam away from you. When using constant source of heat, be sure to move pressure saucepan from heat at end of processing time


Tongs insure easy lifting of jars out of pressure saucepan. Remove jars to wood surface or place on several thicknesses of towels in an upright position. These are self-sealing closures. If you use other type, tighten closures upon removal


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\section*{Counter Fitting}

Thanks to the handsome paneled snack bar which serves as dining area, work counter, and room divider, a complete kitchen was tucked prettily into a small


How smart can a snack bar be? At the left see the insides of the counter above. Instead of being wasted, it cleverly holds table-setting materials and bulky objects

The snack bar need be neither an architectural member nor a major piece of furniture. A plain strong shelf built into a nook will do nicely. This one seats only two, but see what a fine outlook they have here, what a lovely way to start a day!

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In the old days, a plain kitchen table would have occupied the space where that talented, decorative construction now stands. Open shelves which grow to the ceiling hold complete everyday
china and glass, easily reached from either side. There's a cupboard below-and there's plenty of room for the snackers


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The most natural place for a snack bar can be the least obvious. In many houses a narrow space like this would just be wasted. Here it's not only an attractive snacking spot, but its gay skirt can hide a bonus of storage space as well

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Where there is no den, a bedroom desk is a boon. Bed covering \(h\) makes a point of smart tailoring with pleated skirt, fitted top shaped to match the window valance, bolster for the pillows


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Right: Another adjustable fixture. Extends to 53 inches, retracts to 21 inches. Cord disappears into central bulb. About \(\$ 41.50\), Richards Morganthau Co.


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This and lamp below are translations from Italian originals. This one has shallow shade and circular base of white metal, tripod and deep well of brass, \(171 / 2\) in. high, about \(\$ 34\)


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House No. 8 radiates wealth and power. Look for several cars in the garage-probably all high-powered ones. Strangely enough, if the people living in this house do not have an 8 in their names (see below), there may be many worries over health and finances, though if they learn to value their health and learn balance in spending money, they, too, can be successful in here. However, those who have this number in their names have good balance in handling money and do not neglect their health. They should attract success and favorable opportunities. It inclines toward big affairs, huge operations in the commercial world, and inclines toward philanthropic endeavor.
House No. 9 should be the abode of the artist whether in art, music, drama, or literature. There is a universal vibration radiating the impersonal life. These people should radiate light on other people's dark corners, through beautifying, teaching, or inspiring humanity. This vibration inclines toward travel and makes one feel as much at home in one country as in another. An air of refinement usually permeates the home-peace and quiet abound.
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live for the Many rather than for the Few. It is a great humanitarian vibration, but if you live in it selfishly, it backfires. If your house number contains an II or a 22 (for example, 115 or 224), it is influenced by the high rate of vibration, but that vibration isn't as potent as when the number adds up to II or 22 .

If it's an office or an apartment you're interpreting, the number of the building, when there is one, will affect you, but the number on your own door is the important one. For example, if you occupy Room 428 at 63 Elm St., your office or apartment has a vibration of \(5(4+2+8=14=\) \(4+1=5\) ) with all the activity that number stands for. The artistic 9 vibration from the building \((6+3=9)\) will also be of influence.
Many apartments have letters on their doors, or letters plus numbers. They both count, and may modify each other. For example, your apartment may be 3 A . The 3 and the A would be equally important, A standing for I (see numerical correspondence of letters, below). The 3 gives you a pleasant, happy vibration to live in, but the A would indicate some lessons of I to be learned-such as living alone without being lonely, or developing leadership. A person living right next door in 3 B has the same happy, creative 3 vibration, but B , which is 2 in the numerical correspondence, shows a need for learning co-operation, tact, and diplomacy
A numbered street also describes the atmosphere you live in, making you like, or dislike, the general neighborhood. If your address is, say, 228 Twenty-third St., you live in a 3 house having a 5 street vibration. This would be a pleasant, creative home vibration located on a friendly active street. On the same street, in 220 Twenty-third St., is a house whose vibrations are rather highstrung.

Each member of the family has a different reaction to the house he lives in. To interpret what is best for you, individually, add your name together. Each letter of the alphabet has its numerical correspondence.
\(\begin{array}{llllllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 8\end{array}\)
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J K L M N OPQR
S T U V W X Y Z
Here, too, II and 22 are Master numbers which you don't break down. This is how to interpret a name (the steps will be explained later):
\(\frac{I}{5} \frac{I}{I I}=I_{3}\), or 4
helen ann jones (Soul number) \(85355 \times 15516551\)
\(=28\), or \(10=1\) 9 (Destiny number)
For the Soul number, use only the vowels, thus:
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\section*{ANN is I}

JONES is \(6+5=11\)
So the Soul number in this case is the total of \(\mathrm{I}+\mathrm{I}+\mathrm{II}=\mathrm{I} 3\), which is \(3+\mathrm{I}\), or 4.
For the Destiny number, use the numerical correspondence of all of the letters.
HELEN is \(8+5+3+5+5=26\), which is \(2+6\) or 8 .
ANN is \(\mathrm{I}+5+5=\mathrm{II}\)
JONES is \(1+6+5+5+1=18\), which is \(1+8\), or 9 . So the Destiny number here is the total of \(8+1 I+9=28\), and \(2+8=10\) which is \(1+0\), or 1 .

The Master numbers II and 22 represent very high rates of vibration, and so do the 1 Ith and 22 nd letters of the alphabet, K and V. They are good, but they carry the responsibility to make good use of them.

If you address number is the same as your Soul number, your home will be a place of peace and contentment for you; if it's the same as your Destiny number, you should have opportunity for self-expression there. If it is the same as one of your missing numbers, the house may present a problem, or you may have to learn a lesson while living there. Missing numbers are those which don't appear in your name: for example, in Helen Ann Jones, 2, 4, and 7 are missing.

A house doesn't change its people, but like is apt to attract like. A family ready for experiences which come under a 4 are apt to attract a No. 4 house. I've always been amazed to find how a family's experiences fit in with the number vibrations of their houses. I've seen people move into a 5 when they are due for an unusual amount of activity. I've seen them live in a 2 house when in-laws arrived to live with them and great tact was required. When a new set of experiences is due, people often change their residence, even if only temporarily through travel.

What about the people who spend their whole life in a single house? Of course they have varied experiences too, because individual members of the family may travel, or visit, or work elsewhere and have other temporary addresses. But we have seen very poor families who have spent their whole lives in one house-living in a rut, struggling, having similar experiences year after year. We've also seen the very rich keeping the old family place for generations-and remaining fortunate in it.

When you become familiar with numbers, walking down the street becomes an interesting experience, as each house number reveals a different story. Great sages have said that life is mathematical, and one wise teacher declared that "God geometrizes." We are all a part of the great universal equation. It is interesting to discover which part we are to play on life's stage in this cycle.

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You need 40 to 48 inches of wall on each side of fireplace to flank it with lamp tables and chairs. Most easy chairs are at least 36 in . deep


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thoroughly for them before buying. A realistic appraisal of comfort can save many a heartache and remodeling dollar later.
First of all, beware of one of the most frequent errors: realize that houses were designed to accommodate both people and furniture! There are many basic pieces common to every household, and they all have more or less standard measurements. Before you sign on the dotted line, take a tape measure to your chattels, and then to the walls of your new house to see if each will accommodate the other satisfactorily.
Storage is important: there should your household, plus an extra each in guests, linens, pantry and/or cleaning things. You'll be sorry later if there is no allowance for dead storagetrunks, suitcases, boxes, bicycles, lawn furniture, and your own peculiarities of overflow.

Windows are blind spots with many people. What good is a big picture window when there's no wall space for the sofa-so that the sofa winds up in front of the picture window and you sit with your back to the view? And will you be comfortable in zero weather with your back to all that cold glass? Corner windows may mark you as a modern, but they also
mean in many cases that furniture mean in many cases that furniture arrangements are thrown off balance -a permanent bother to the meticulous "arranger." Remember, too, that they are difficult to curtain or drape satisfactorily. And look out for casement windows which open inveard -they almost completely rule out the use of Venetian blinds. About the only way to curtain them is to use sill-length sash curtains on a rod top and bottom. When they're wide open into your room they are apt to throw the draperies out of kilter.
Traffic lanes are invisible paths on the floor which can make the difference between easy living and fallen arches. Beware of the living room that has several doors-to hall, sun porch, dining room, kitchen, or other rooms. Walk from door to door, as many combinations as possible, and chalk these routes on the floor. Then imagine where your furniture will go -it must keep out of the lanes and should fall within the triangles and squares out of traffic lines. A "dead end" living room, or one with only one traffic lane at the far end is best.
Other points to watch: an entry hall of some sort is desirable-a front door that opens directly into the living room is a nuisance in cold weather, and the family has to scatter when an Unwelcome Caller presents himself at the door. A kitchen planned so that equipment can be arranged in U or L is best, and can save you thousands of steps a year.

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The kitchen is one of the beauties of this house, and an example of unusually good planning. Notice, please, that it has three windows-a pair at the end to brighten the dining space, and one over the sink to brighten K.P. Notice, too, that the stove, sink, and refrigerator are grouped conveniently at one end where they are equally near the formal dining area in the living room and the informal one in the kitchen.

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\section*{Chast: I Yearr of their Lives!}
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The draperies sum up the reds, blue-greens, and whites which accent this chartreuse room. Furniture, timeless in design, has a future. Blond woods are mixed very effectively with black lacquer pieces

\section*{Apartment with a} Chinese Touch

\author{
INTERIORS BY FRIEND-PIPER STUDIOS
}

Iyou're an apartment dweller who hopes some day to move into a house, take a close look at this wisely decorated tiny suite whose furnishings seem planned for the spot (as indeed they were), but could look as well elsewhere. For one thing, the chairs, sofas, tables, and chests are so scaled that they don't overwhelm the small rooms-but they are imposing enough for large ones, too. And a lot of adaptability in style is packed into their design. For instance, the whole setting has a strong Oriental accent to which everything seems to contribute. But actually, save for one table, that accent comes only from the accessories. The basic pieces fit in, but they are so simple in line that you could change their character completely if you used them with different lamps and wall decorations. They would be every bit as much at home in a traditional house, or a modern one, as they are here. To help pay for their quality on a tight budget, inexpensive pine chests were used in the bedroom and given a costly air with wallpaper fronts. A decorator's good way with please turn to page il 8

A black lacquer chest for a household's table linens looks Chinese because of Chinese ornaments and Oriental decorations on the mirror. But it could fit into any setting. Its lines are basically modern, but with a carved gold mirror it would take on still another personality


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\section*{Chinese Touch}
(Begins on page 116)
color made a great difference in the apparent size of these rooms Chartreuse walls and ceilings, and room-sized flax rugs with char treuse fringe, give a spacious effect. So does the fact that th same colors are used throughout-walls just seem to disappear For over-all unity, the colors were taken from the living room' printed drapery fabric. Along with chartreuse, blue-green appear often, and there are strong touches of red in the upholstere pieces and in the dining room's draperies.


A narrow table like this does well in a hallway where there's traffic. Its Chinese air is repeated in the shadow boxes above. But note that very modern chairs here couldn't be more at home


It's packed with good ideas: pine chests, painted green, were treated to wallpaper fronts. Striped fabric used for headboard bed skirt borders draperies. Vanity is feminine in tailored roor


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What's Wrong with This Table?
}
(Begins on page 53)
you'll agree, is every table which you bedeck for a holiday or party. But your 365 dinners a year (and your luncheons and breakfasts, too) also deserve an imaginative background; a table which isn't just like every other, a table which expresses your own personality and spells "home."

The chances are that your own china, glass, silver, and accessories, if you chose them well in the first place, can provide you with plenty of inspiration. Just give them a chance, as we did when we designed the "correct" setting on page 54. First, we let our china call the tune for the floral decoration-yellow roses-and since this was an Event, we decided to treat ourselves to plenty of them. We would have shot the bolt with the full two dozen used in the centerpiece on page 53 , but when we got to the florist's, those magnolia leaves caught our eye. What wonderful curled shapes, like pieces of sculpture! What fine gloss, what beautiful deep greens and bronzes! But what a price! So we had an Idea. We bought the leaves and the gilt paint to garnish them, and balanced the budget by using fewer roses. Because the leaves were so fine, we wanted to pile them high. But since a high centerpiece interferes with conversation, we decided to put our decoration at one end of the table-such an asymmetrical arrangement makes a welcome change from the usual smack-in-the-middle deal. We built our showpiece in an open vegetable dish which was just the right size and shape-unconventional, but perfect for the purpose. Then we were inspired to make the very most of this handsome attraction by using it as a tree from which to hang the bride's gifts to her friends. That gave us the idea of writing the guests' names in gold paint on the leaves. And that made us think of using magnolia leaves as place cardsguaranteed not only to produce smiles, but to perform the artistic role of carrying the main decorative theme clear across the table as well. See what we mean? Give your imagination free rein, and one thing is sure to lead to another.
Of course, you do have to put on the brakes sometimes. Your imaginative setting will defeat its own purpose if it's so unusual that it interferes with the serving and the eating of the meal, or if it makes your table look too "busy," tempts you to use inharmonious colors, or loads your table with objects which just don't belong in a dining room.
If you're ingenious, setting tables with individuality needn't bring on a major buying spree. You can build them around almost any basic table wardrobe. But if a birthday or anniversary is

\section*{HERE'S HOW TO JUDGE}

\section*{LESSON IV: Originality and Appeal}
(Highest Possible Score 20 Points)
1. Novelty and Imagination
(10)
a. Table Setting Materials: Are all the table-setting materials just the usual thing, or has the occasion (or the room, or the type of home) suggested something a bit unusual in the way of a centerpiece, a table cover, or other decorations?
(5)
b. Arrangement : Is the arrangement itself just the obvious kind, or has an expert touch been used to add novelty without interfering with the serving and the eating of the meal?
(5)

Artistic Perfection
(10)
a. Good Looks: Whether or not the setting is imaginative, is it good to look at, do its elements harmonize with each other, would it invite you?
(4)
b. Distinction: Beyond being "just pretty", does the design of the setting have a strength and a character which will make you remember it?
Simplicity: Has an attempt to be "different" complicated matters so much that the table looks too elaborate or too cluttered?
d. Functionalism: Does everything on the table, even those things added for novelty, serve a good purpose?
coming up . . . well, keep your eye peeled for decorative salad or dessert plates which harmonize with your other china but give new character to your table, for colored glasses which will make a pleasant change, or for new and different serving dishes.

Linens, which you replace regularly anyhow, will be an enormous help. The stores are stocked with beautifully designed, excitingly colored table coverings in all price ranges and of all types from plastic mats to the sheerest cloths. And for special occasions, don't overlook the possibilities of mats or cloths made from yard goods-if they look well with your china. Even paper cloths and doilies have a place.

The centerpiece (or "off-center" piece) is the one thing which can give your table the greatest distinction, and vary it the most from day to day. Don't be afraid to move it around the table and to make it of unconventional things. It needn't be flowers or fruit, or the kind of decorative object designed especially for table centers, though all of these are fine. It could be a wellarranged heap of vegetables, mounds of nuts and shapely leaves, wheat at harvest time, or ferns laid flat on the table. It could include seashells, or pine cones. Not only your china, but your dining room wallpaper, printed fabrics, or pictures may suggest themes to you. You can borrow fruit and flowers from them, and even small branches of trees to bedeck your table. Your room's decorations may also suggest such things as tiny ceramic birds, or butterflies, or miniature barnyard fowl used in an occasional decoration-anything with good shape and color which is appetizing to look at, isn't too overpowering, and blends in with your table setting and your room.

The container, too, can be as unusual as your imagination per-mits-flower pots, interestingly shaped bottles, highly decorated ceramics holding rich green leaves. If you're a collector of china or glass, of course use your treasures on your table. But if you're "going to town" on the container, keep its contents simple.

Sometimes the "centerpiece" may be spread about-your decorations might, for example, take the form of a tiny nosegay at each lady's place, with nothing but handsome candlesticks in the center of the table. And don't always use those candlesticks in the same way. They can flank a center decoration, or make a magic circle around it, or be used all alone, in rows.
Taking your own room and your own possessions as points of departure, let your fancy roam and you'll come up with table settings which often rate a full 20 points for Novelty, Imagination, and Artistic Perfection, as does the one on page 54, instead of 8 points like the commonplace setting on page 53. For the items covered by previous lessons in this Primer, the setting on page 53 is scored as follows: For Appropriateness of Materials, the full 25 points. For Color Co-ordination, \(191 / 2\) points, the deduction being for the yellow of the cloth which makes for too much yellow here. For Execution, a full 25 points.

\section*{A TABLE SETTING}

\section*{LESSON I: Appropriateness of Materials Used}
(Lesson I-September 1951) (Highest possible score, 25 points)
LESSON II: Color Coordination of Materials Used
(Lesson II-November 1951) (Highest possible score, 20 points)
LESSON III: Execution
(Lesson III-February 1952) (Highest possible score, 25 points)
TO BE CONCLUDED IN FUTURE ISSUE
LESSON V: Suitability to Oceasion
(Highest possible score, 10 points)
This Lesson will discuss:
1. Continuity of theme
2. Feasibility and ease of use ment can receive. In your own judging you will, of course, score down each element according to your judgment as to its degree of perfection. The highest score for this fourth lesson is 20 points.


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Sweet Pisstime
(Begins on page 39)

Most of the sugar shakers the Caskeys own are made of the pressed glass which once brightened nearly every American table. This process of glassmaking was introduced in the United States about 1820 for the purpose of producing objects which looked like costly cut glass. In the case of cut glass, a "blank" shape is blown or molded, and the decoration is carved by hand. With the pressed type, the molten glass is pressed directly into a mold which bears the design-the same mold is used over and over again, a much faster and cheaper method. However, pressed glass, which has great brilliance and beauties of its own, was more than "imitation cut glass." Techniques and patterns were evolved especially for it-delightful ones. It was inexpensive enough to flood the country after the Civil War, but it is so highly prized -and sometimes so highly priced-today, that collectors must be wary of fakes. Books have been written to help them to distinguish between the genuine and the imitation.

Because the shakers were often parts of complete services which included dishes and drinking glasses, Mrs. Caskey has extended her collecting to sets-it's a collector's dream to assemble a complete one. With the help of reference books, she takes pride in identifying the patterns. Identifying the factory is more difficult, for manufacturers "borrowed" patterns without qualms.


Some of Mrs. Caskey's prized sugar shakers, most of them probably made in Pennsylvania and West Virginia during the 19th century. 1 Cranberry glass, flower pattern, silver-plated cover. 2 Blue glass, opalescent dot. 3 Overlay with opalescent Danish lace pattern (a table setting was made in this design).
4 Opalescent blue glass, quilted. 5 A plump shape with pink overiay. 6 Cranberry glass with thumbprint motif (a table setting was made of this one). 7 Shaker of opalescent pink glass, in the shape of an acorn. 8 Here pink glass is given an opalescent swirl. 9 Cranberry glass with opalescent flower. 10 Frosted cranberry glass is combined with frosted uncolored glass, and decorated with an ivy motif (this, too, was done in a complete table setting). 11 The tallest sugar shaker Mrs. Caskey ever saw-it is made of opalescent mother-of-pearl glass with diamond quilting. 12 A well rounded swirl pattern marks this one

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When the real-estate man first showed me our house he said, "You don't know how lucky you are. There's your house with its hair down, hiding none of its faults under new paint and paper. There are no secrets between you." I saw what he meant, especially when I remembered the experiences of some of my friends with dolled-up old houses hiding their age behind painted faces.

During our two years of househunting we learned one very salient fact: There is no one absolutely perfect house. For instance, when I first saw what is now our house, my immediate reaction was negative because I have never liked closed porches and our house has one. That porch has since turned out to be one of our major assets. All during our first rainy summer in the "new" house we practically lived on the porch while our neighbors scurried around picking up cushions and dashing indoors.
The entire house, from cellar to attic, was painted a particularly ghastly shade of green. All the rooms and closets had large cracks. The roof, mostly slate in good condition, was tin over the rear bedroom, where custom-made screens had been allowed to rust on the windows and rain had made stains on all the walls. The screening was full of holes (the frames were later converted into plastic storm sash for \(25 ¢\) a window, a mere saving of \(\$ 2.40\) !).

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Onitloor Ideas
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(Begins on page 48)

IIost of the outdoor ideas which we suggest on pages \(48-52\) for your summertime well being, can speak fully for themselves. However, we would like to give you some additional details about the operation of two of the items.

Hose holder: Picture 3 on page 49 shows only the outside of a device which lets you keep your hose indoors, use it outdoors, and pull out only the length you happen to need for the job at hand. There is a considerable inside story behind it in the form of a strong wire basket, 23 in. in diameter, which hangs from the basement ceiling or is kept on the floor of a garage or a utility room, just below a faucet. The basket holds up to 125 ft . of standard garden hose, in coils. One end of the hose is at tached to the inside faucet. The other end is passed to the outdoors through a curved aluminum tube which ends in the wall flange we illustrate. A de tachable turn-off arm extends from the outside to shut-off valve handle indoors. After using the hose, just sliy it back through the wall opening-i coils itself neatly in its basket.

The barrel trick illustrated at th bottom of page 49 should interest an gardener whose property has roor for a compost heap. We're told tha garbage teems with soil-buildin plant-feeding potentials and shoul be used, not wasted. But it should composted, not used raw! Franc Griffith of New York City submi this idea for "processing" garbage it will not attract dogs and rats otherwise become a nuisance.

Take a sound barrel, remove bottom, provide it with a tight-fittir cover, and set it on the ground whe you propose to build your compo heap of leaves and other garde refuse. As this material accumulate pile it around back and sides of \(t\) barrel in which, meanwhile, you posit your garbage. Whenever the is a 6 -in. layer of the kitchen was in the barrel, cover it with a t layer of soil, and then give it a dus ing of ground limestone or agric tural lime.

When the barrel is full, lift it and mix its contents (which will, then, be partly decomposed) with rest of the compost heap. Then it against the heap, in front of first position, and start the process over again. Do this as many tin as the supply of garbage necessita But always, after lifting the barı mix its contents, and cover it co pletely, with the garden litter.

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(Begins on page 130)

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Run the roller in the edge of the paint at the deep end of a tilted pan or tray. Roll excess paint off on the high part of the pan bottom. Wrapping paper in tray makes cleaning job easy

Apply paint by rolling up and down with moderate pressure over a workable area. Size of the area depends on drying speed of paint. Next, before the paint starts to set, smooth the area, rolling lightly at right angles to direction of application. Thin paints, semi-glosses, and enamels need an extra time over for smoothing and removing excess paint

When the job is done, or you stop painting, clean the roller thoroughly to
insure good results on next job. Run the roller over newspaper to remove excess paint. Then, while paint is still wet, wash the roller by dipping it in a jar or bucket of turpentine or other proper paint thinner



Around woodwork, ceiling line, and corners, where you can't work with a roller, paint a strip with small brush. Do small section at a time so it will be wet when you roll up to it, and won't show a lap mark

For small areas, doors, woodwork, and window trim where the regular rollers won't fit, a special 3 or 4 -in. roller is handy and speeds up the work


There is a roller made for working to edges and doing job mentioned above for the brush. It's shaped like a truncated cone and has a disc shield on the end. It works very well for window muntins and trim

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\section*{LOUISE HAYES}

0ur house, when we bought it from the original owner, looked like a shoe box sitting all alone out in a field! There were no trees, no grass, no landscaping, and all the most important rooms faced west. Indeed, on hot summer afternoons, the descending sun would heat the kitchen until my ornamental candles looped over like strings. And outside the house, there was not a single spot that afforded any shade or privacy. Consequently, as soon as the grass was planted for our lawn, we began worrying about our outdoor-living problem. We either had to solve it, or move somewhere else for the summer.
The solution came to us, not in an exciting way as a flash of inspiration, but as the result of very timid and cautious experimenting, with one of us holding up a post here, or there, while

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Given: this unplanted, stark, sun-baked western exposure. Wanted: an outdoor spot to live in. Solution: a vine-shaded patio-cost: about \(\$ 20\)


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the other stood back to "get the effect." We were amateurs and we knew it. Furthermore, a shoestring budget didn't allow for any "fancy fixin's," or the expensive correction of mistakes if we went wrong.

We ended with a patio-or, more correctly, a loggia-on the west side of the south end of the house, which not only gave us the cool spot for the summer which we sought, but also sheltered the kitchen and dining room. The cost came to approximately \(\$ 20\) for lumber, wire, and paint, plus 50 cents for some petunia plants and 20 cents for Scarlet Runner bean seeds.
The floor of the loggia is grass.
Four \(4 \times 4 \mathrm{in}\). posts of cedar (cheaper and more durable than pine or fir) were set on top of concrete cones that we cast in homemade molds and sank in the ground 8 feet apart and io feet out from the house wall. A hole bored in the center of the base of each post was set over a big bolt we had embedded in each concrete footing. This avoided sinking the posts in the ground or in concrete and the subsequent inevitable rotting. The posts were capped with \(4 \times 4\) in. cedar beams parallel to the house, and nine \(2 \times 8\) in. stringers set on edge and 3 feet apart connected the capping with the house, where they were anchored to the ceiling joists. Short diagonal braces between posts and capping strengthened the structure.

From scrap lumber we made one-foot-high plant boxes, one to go in the sunshine outside the row of posts, and the other to go next to the house foundation inside the loggia. The outside box was planted with petunias and Scarlet Runner beans which, in three weeks, started skyward up the chicken wire we had stretched between the posts. Growing as much as five or six inches in 24 hours, by midsummer they enclosed and roofed the loggia with dense green vines hung with brilliant flowers. The petunias filled in at the base with a mass of color that cascaded out of the box.

The box next to the house where, in time, it was shaded by the vines, contained tuberous begonias, violas, fuchsias, and ferns and contributed to the coolness of our outdoor room.

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If the latter is your reason, forget all you ever heard or read about trench planting, and treat asparagus just as you would rhubarb, chrysanthemum, or any other hardy perennial. Grow it from seed, if you are not in a hurry; or buy and set out plants, allowing 50 per person-unless you are especially fond of asparagus. Two-year-old stock is a good, popular size to buy. Plant so that the roots are covered, but the crowns are just at or under the surface, not buried inches or feet deep. That is how a wild asparagus plant starts and grows; it is how Nature handles the crop-and who will deny that, in this respect, Mother Nature knows best? Moreover, since, ten years ago, I began to champion this method, it has been thoroughly tried and proved by growers all the way from Maine to Georgia, and probably farther. Here is the program I recommend:
r. Set out plants any time from April through August, whether raised from seed, bought, obtained from a neighbor, or transplanted from an old bed of your own, or from field or roadside.
2. Provide a sunny place with well drained, average good soil. However, asparagus can be grown on land too steep or rocky for ordinary cultivation, as a background for flowers, as a summer screen to hide eyesores, or in clumps here and there to utilize idle ground.
3. If the soil is in good condition, a deep spading and rough leveling with a steel rake will be sufficient preparation. If rotted manure, compost, or other food material can be worked deeply into the ground prior to planting time, so much the better.
4. Roots are commonly sold as one, two, or three years old; as already noted, the middle size is usually most satisfactory. Some of the roots in an order often run small, so it's wise to buy from a quarter to a third more than you plan to plant.
5. Spacing can be varied to fit conditions. In a single row, you can set the plants from 12 in . to as little as 6 in . apart, so as to get maximum returns from limited space. In a bed, set them 15 to 18 in . apart each way. Those distances apply where the plants are to be mulched-and that is the best home-garden method because it gives about twice as much from a given area as the clean cultivation method. If you prefer the latter, you must leave 3 ft . or more between the asparagus rows so a wheel or other cultivator can be used. Other advantages of mulching are: weed control without labor, conservation of moisture in the soil, and the fact that it permits a bed to renew itself naturally by dropping seeds and thus replacing old plants as they die. Constant cultivation destroys the young plants that come up from self-sown seed between the old ones.
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8. Asparagus is a heavy feeder and will come into bearing sooner, and yield more heavily and for a longer time, if well fed. Fresh stable manure is particularly good if obtainable and if kept away from the plants so as not to burn them; but commercial fertilizer will give good results. Oldtimers used to spread salt on asparagus beds to kill weeds and (supposedly) feed the plants, but this practice is no longer common.
9. The only serious pest is the asparagus beetle which, in both grub and adult forms, attacks the spikes. Control is easy, for adults that winter near the bed attack the first shoots as they appear. Every beetle killed then means several hundred less later on, so none should be allowed to escape; they are easy to catch by hand in the cool of the morning. By killing every beetle I see whenever I cut stalks, I have been able to control them without using insecticides.
ro. Begin to cut when stalks are as thick as your thumb, never while they are pencil thin. Whether they are ready is determined by the condition of the head; the height has nothing to do with it. If the head is just beginning to open so you can see its tiny beads, it's ready. Well tended two-year-old roots may yield some stalks one year after planting, but don't extend the cutting season until the stalks become spindly.
ir. When cutting stops, let the tops grow and turn brown. You can leave them alone until spring clean-up time to serve as a mulch and hold the snow, and then remove and burn them; or you can chop them up and leave them around the plants as a mulch, as nature would. If you do burn them, don't do it on the bed and thereby injure the plants.
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Attractive garden editor of "The Philadelphia Bulletin" and the victorious Cactus dahlia named after her by its originator, Stanley Johnson. Far left, Byron R. Kadel's two-Medalwinning gladiolus, Howard V. Wright; then, J. Franklin Styer's pure white peony named after his father, Jacob Styer-only 1951 peony winner

1The American Home Achievement Medal was asked for in 1951 by 70 flower societies (more than ever before); 67 of the requests were granted (also an all-time high). But of the 64 organizations that returned reports (must there always be a few delinquents, I wonder?), only 40 awarded the trophy that stands among the very highest in the field of garden flower improvement. The fact that 14 dahlia societies, 9 gladiolus societies, and one peony society found no entry in their shows worthy of the Medal, is both evidence and explanation of the high regard in which it is held. As one society's secretary put it, "Thank you again for the privilege of offering this coveted award. . . . We will always strive to maintain the high standards necessary to win it." Also, one of the 1950 gladiolus winners, Paul J. Savelief, expressed what it means to them when he said, "Thank you ever so much for the award and for the sentiments expressed in your letter. My wife and I will try ever so hard to win again and again. Almost 20 years ago, she and I decided to produce an unhooded

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Of the 40 Medals awarded, 27 went to 14 originators of 14 new dahlias, 12 to gladiolus breeders, and one to a peony specialist. The big news was, of course, that Stanley Johnson, of Cheltenham, Pa., who, in the nine years since 1941 had won II of the Medals, in 1951 was awarded nine of them, and thus came within one of equaling James Marsh's 1950 record of ten Medals for his Madonna. The nine-Medal winning variety, shown above with the young lady editor for whom it was named, is a handsome "A" (large) Incurved Cactus dahlia of persimmon-orange color (described in some reports as "apricot" and "autumn shade"), with please turn to page 142

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blooms that range from 9 to \(I \mathrm{I}\) inches across and from 6 to \(61 / 2\) inches deep. It won at the shows of these societies: American Dahlia at New York; Baltimore; Burholme Horticultural; Greater Philadelphia; Midwest at Kansas City, Mo. (exhibitor C. P. Leick); Georgia at Atlanta (exh. C. E. Faust) ; Greater St. Louis (exh. Mr. Leick) ; Kentucky at Louisville (exh. A. W. Adams), and New Jersey at Newark. In addition, Patricia Spollen won for Mr. Johnson firsts and special prizes at several other shows, five A. D. S. Certificates with a top score of \(863 / 4\) points, and the A. D. S. Gold Medal. We were happy to present his nine Medals to this persistent competitor and consistent winner during the A. D. S. meeting in January.
An interesting feature of the 1951 records is that two of the Medals were won by Miniature dahlias. These were James E. Marsh's Prairie Thistle, a bluish-lavender of Formal Decorative type, and Ruby Charm, the red Miniature Cactus developed by William Haugh of Ohio. This, if not the first instance, is one of the rare occasions when this has happened. For while there is nothing in the regulations governing the Medal that prevents a small variety from winning, the great majority of winners have been of the large or exhibition type. Doubtless the success of two Miniatures last year is one indication of the growing popular interest in smaller dahlias.
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*Allways. "A" (large) Incurved Cactus; petals tightly rolled with laciniated tips; pink shading salmon at center. Originator E. R. Phillips, Sil ver Spring, Md. At Nat'l Capital Virginia, Williamsburg (Va.), and Wisconsin Dahlia Societies (exhibitor Geo. R. Currie, Sheboygan, Wis.).
*Big Mo. "A" (very large) Semi Cac.; dark red to maroon. Orig. J Louis Roberts, Chicago. At Lon Island Dahlia Soc'y (exh. Ruschmoh Dahlia Gardens) and Southtow (IIl.) Dahlia Club.
Dun Robin (ancestral home Duke of Sutherland). Straight Cac. \(9-10\) in.; primrose yellow, tippe Egyptian buff. Robert McWhirte San Francisco. Dah. Soc'y of Calif
*Julia McKamey. Large Forma Decorative; \(101 / 2\) by \(81 / 2 \mathrm{in}\).; brigb pink (madder lake, Newton Chart N. S. McKamey, Bremerton, Was At Kitsap County and Washingto State Dahlia Societies.
*Lovely Queen. Inc. Cac.; mediur pink. John C. Hart, Buena Par Calif. At Orange County (Calif Dahlia Society.
*Mary Lou. For. Dec., 6-8 by 4 in. blooms; light autumn color. Lak side Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimor Mich. At Michigan Dah. Associatio

Miss Stannage. Large Cac.; pir cream in center. David Webb, Alban Calif. At San Leandro Dah. Soc'y.
Pink Superior. Very large (in \(81 / 2\) in.) Str. Cac.; light pink. E. Delbrugge, Martin's Ferry, 0. Wellsville (0.) Dahlia Club.
Prairie Thistle. Miniature For. D (blooms \(21 / 2\) by \(11 / 2\) in.); soft blui lavender. James E. Marsh, Chicag



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At Central States Dahlia Society.
Retzers Gold. Formal; about 7 in. diameter; gold color. Henry Retzer, W. Bridgewater, Pa. At Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society.

Ruby Charm. Miniature Cac.; red. William Haugh, Wellsville, O. At Badger State Dahlia Society. Incidentally, this variety also won the A. D. S. Derrill W. Hart Memorial Medal (named for a former member of the American Home staff) for highest scoring Miniature in three trial grounds; and it was recognized on three national Honor Rolls.
*The Doctor. Semi-Cac.; yellow. Dr. E. W. Crooks, Parkersburg, W. Va. At East Liverpool (O.) Dahlia Society (exh. J. T. Eccleston, E. Liverpool, O.).

Yellow Ray. Inc. Semi-Cac.; 12 by 8 in.; lemon yellow. Comstock Dahlia Gardens, San Diego, Calif. At San Diego Dahlia Society.

\section*{Gladiolus}

Blossomtime. Pink, edged white. Byron R. Kadel, Lebanon, Pa. At Keystone State Gladiolus Society.
Cherokee. Heavily ruffled; bronzered; 8 large florets open on tall spikes. George Snyder, Richmond, Mich. At Northestern Michigan Glad Soc'y.

D'Arcy. Blush pink with yellow feather on lower petals; 32 in . spike, 23 buds, 85 -in. florets open; 75 days. Walter Pazderski, Macedonia, O. At Southeastern Mich. Glad. Soc'y.
*Howard V. Wright. Large light yellow (Class 410); 8 florets, plain petaled, slightly recurving, open on 18 to 20 bud spike. Byron R. Kadel, Lebanon, Pa. At Eastern Internat'l Show and Maryland Gladiolus Soc'y.
*Jessie Mae. Ruffled salmon-pink with slight midrib and rose-scarlet feather in throat (Class 442). Dr. H. please turn to page i44


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H. Knight, Ames, Ia. At Waterloo (Ia.) Gladiolus Society.
Julia Mae Van. Large pale rosepink (Class 460); slightly ruffled. Ralph J. Pommert, Pacific, Wash. At Washington Gladiolus Society
Margery. Medium fluorescent rose. C. J. \& G. J. Melk, Milwaukee, Wis. At Wisconsin Gladiolus Society.

Princess. Rose-lavender, early midseason (Class 466) ; parents Elizabeth the Queen x Miss Wisconsin. J. R. \& C. T. Larus, West Hartford, Conn. At Eastern New York Gladiolus Society.
*Rosita. Light rose, deeper rose marking on lower lip, narrow white border; 30 in. spike, 22 to 24 buds, 10 5 in . ruffled florets open, 8 showing color. Ted Woods, Madison, Wis. At Iowa Gladiolus Society.
Royal Stewart. Red; very long flower head, excellent attachment of florets. Maryln Mae Pommert, Pacific, Wash. At Western International Gladiolus Show, Yakima. (exh. R. J. Pommert \& Son, Pacific, Wash.)
Summer Dawn. Large ruffled blooms, petals somewhat pointed; 8 open; soft buff, pink shading on outer edges. Allan Karnes, Skowhegan, Me. At Maine Gladiolus Society.

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acob Styer. Full double, pure white; late; dark foliage. J. Franklin Styer, Concordville, Pa. At American Peony Society Show, Cleveland, O.



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Don't get unduly perplexed over the matter of "types"-such as "Formal, Informal, Exhibition, Commercial," etc. The gladiolus has long suffered from confused terminology and such distinctions are for the commercial grower, expert, and specialist. Aside from color, the important factor is size-which ranges from massive giants down to "baby glads" which can be either hooded (Primulinus type), or open-faced true miniatures of the big fellows. While some argue that giant glads are better suited for banquet hall or funeral parlor than average home, a large spike is an imposing sight anywhere; and in shows, the good big one will likely beat the good small one.
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also have a code number of three digits which tells at a glance where it fits into the standard size and color classifications. (See Tables 2 and 3 on pages 40 and 4 I .)
The first digit indicates the floret size, from Miniature ( r 00 ) up to Giant ( 500 ) ; the second and third digits tell the color class (the higher the number the deeper the tone); and if the third one is odd, it means that the variety has conspicuous markings of some kind-blotches or splashes. For example, a catalogue lists: " \(310-\) Elizabeth Maier ( 85 days), a beautiful clear yellow with frilled petal edges, 10-12 florets open on a \(22-24\) bud spike, etc." And " 413 -Spotlight (80 days), a large, clear medium yellow with small scarlet blotch deep in throat . . . makes fine, tall spikes with \(6-7\) moderately waved florets open at once."
The tables tell us that 310 is the Medium size group (florets \(3^{1 / 4}\) through \(43 / 8 \mathrm{in}\).); and that the color \(3 I O\) is light yellow. As to Spotlight, it falls in the next or Large size group ( 413 ), and while its color is also yellow ( 413 ), the fact that the number is above \(4 I O\) makes it deeper yellow than Elizabeth Maier; and the terminal figure 3 indicates the conspicuous marking or scarlet blotch.
What size bulb to buy (see Table II \(_{\text {I }}\) depends on your purse and patience. The larger ones cost more, are likely to bloom a little earlier, and usually give more buds to the spike; they are recommended for the Deep South. But mediums and smalls are popular, satisfactory, and while blooming, will be growing large ones for next year. The No. 6 is the smallest that can be expected to bloom the current season; don't expect a really large spike from anything smaller than a No. 3. Retail catalogues usually simplify by offering simply Large, Medium, and Small; but of some varieties they may also offer, at about a tenth the cost of large bulbs, economy bulblets from which a stock of flowering-size bulbs can be built up in a few years.
After a bulb is planted, it first sends up its sword-like leaf shoots (which give the plant its namegladiolus, from a Latin word meaning "little sword"). Then comes the flower spike bearing buds that open from the bottom upwards. When, later, the plant is dug, the original bulb will have shriveled into a dry "mummy," but above and around it will have developed one or two primesize bulbs, one to several smaller ones, and a whole lot of bulblets, peasize or smaller-new planting stock. As to culture, glads are really "dirt-easy" to grow. As soon as the soil is warm in spring, start setting out the bulbs about 6 in . apart and pLease turn to page i48


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3 in. deep., in neat rows for convenience and looks, or, if desired, in clumps among lower-growing flowers in beds or borders. Thereafter, the important thing is to keep out weeds, either by cultivating or by mulching -that is, by covering the soil between the shoots with something like old hay or straw, leaves, peat moss, etc. During dry spells supply water if possible, especially when spikes are forming. And to insure good bulb growth for next year, cut spikes carefully so as to leave three or four bottom leaves to make food for the underground parts. Also you should pick off any seed pods as soon as they form-unless, of course, you want to try raising some from seed.
Throughout the growing season, from the time the plants are 6 in. tall, spray with a DDT solution (following the manufacturer's directions on the package), or use a \(5 \%\) DDT dust, every ten days or so to control the thrips, which is a tiny insect that feeds on and between the buds, rasping the tissues and seriously injuring the plants.
At the season's end, when the stalks are yellow or have been killed by frost, dig the clumps, cut off the tops, and let the bulbs dry in the sun for a day. During the next few weeks, break the clumps apart and discard the old mummies and any bulblets you don't want. Don't bother to peel the larger bulbs, but do destroy any thrips they may carry. To do this put the bulbs in a paper bag, throw in a handful of \(5 \%\) DDT dust, tie the bag shut and shake it enough to distribute the dust. The bulbs may then be stored right in the bags-one for each variety-or packed in paper or peat moss in shallow cartons and placed in a frost-free temperature ( 40 to 45 deg. F. is ideal) and in an ordinarily humid atmosphere, neither damp nor excessively dry. A shelf in the average basement (not near the furnace) or in a warmed garage is a good place.


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Ihe house I live in is modern and streamlined. It provides a maximum of privacy; it's airy, colorful, easy to clean. I can do without a cellar and an attic, I never long for old-fashioned, cluttered closets, but there's one thing I miss like crazy: a front porch.
As far back as I can remember, a front porch was the setting for some of my happiest times. The house I lived in as a child had a high front porch with railing and posts. The railing was ideal for daring exploits, and every post saw duty from time to time as a base for hide-and-seek or shelter for a crouching cowboy. We had tea parties on the porch, and no one minded if we spilled things.
About the time I started to date boys, we bought a porch swing. Before movie or party time, you could sit there for a few moments with your date, and neighbors passing by would think, "Well, look who has a beau!" The porch was a favorite spot for parties, too, and far from slamming their windows to shut out the noise of our record player, the neighbors usually gathered on their own porches, listening to the music and laughter.

The front porch was also an ideal spot from which to snare a date. One time when a girl cousin was visiting me, we put on our organdy dresses with matching hair ribbons one Sunday afternoon and indulged in a little "aimless" porch-sitting. It wasn't long before a boy strolled by, and strolled back again, this time with a friend. Shortly thereafter, they rode past on bicycles and waved, only to repeat the performance in a car, driving more slowly each time until we finally received an invitation to go for a ride.
Looking back, I realize that the houses we lived in had successively smaller porches. The swings were replaced by gliders and the hanging baskets by long boxes of petunias. Now, in our front-porchless house, we hide from town and neighbors. It's restful and quiet on the rear patio or on the screened breezeway to the garage. Our house is adapted to the needs and tempo of modern living, but the generation now growing up in houses without front porches is missing something. Sometimes I have half a notion to drag some chairs into the front yard and sit there a while, just to see what would happen. Would you come over to chat? per hour! Has self-contained air pressure control. Fully automatic. Selfpriming. Comes ready to hook up to well and house connections.

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goblets and wines, "Mandarin Gold" by Cam bridge Glass; cloths and napkins, maize and gray, John Matouk. Container in Right, "May fair' vegetable dish by Castleton; container Wrong, "Pristine," by Cambridge Glass.

SPRING LUNCHEON FOR THE GIRLS Pages 56, 57: Chine, "Wilton," Hoviland an Co., Inc.; tablecloth, "Enchantment" by Ellisor and Spring; silver, coffee-pot, round tray bread tray, salt and pepper shaker, Inter national.

\section*{PRESSURE CANNING}

Pages 79, 80: Jars, Kerr Self-Sealing; pressu saucepan, Mirro-Matic; tongs, Hotong by Ru clair; tape, Labelon.

\section*{ITALIAN ACCENTS}

Page 102: Ceramic pitcher, lamp, paper weigh Venetian glass dish from Richords-Morgenth Co.; bosket, compote, footed bowl and canc holders from Martin Freeman Company.

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\section*{I found my}

\section*{kitchen ideas}

\section*{at a}

\section*{soda fountain}

bne afternoon when I stopped at the drugstore for a bite of lunch, I'd ardly put the menu down before my der was served. I couldn't help thinking ow much longer it took me to prepare e same kind of snack at home.
As I sat there watching the counterman, aw the reason for his fast service. The cret was efficient arrangement. I lingered er my coffee and picked up tricks for y own kitchen. Mine needed doing over dly, and I needed ideas. The only defite thing that I had in mind was a floor Armstrong's Linoleum.
The big basic idea I borrowed was to ep everything within reach. At one end the kitchen I surrounded myself with rking areas, which included a wonderbig cutting board. Using open shelves varied widths gave me extra shelf ce and eliminated the cost of doors. en I had bins built in along the back of sink in real soda-fountain style . . . for ir and sugar and such. I even borrowed idea of a glass case for displaying my es and pies.
jven though my kitchen is small, I nd ample room for a dining nook. drugstore style but has a special foldfeature. Before and after meals, the top rs extra counter area. During meals, t of the top folds up against the wall. ures on the underside become a part he decoration.
he fact that I chose Armstrong's pelle Linoleum is another result of drugstore visit. You see, both the store and my kitchen had the same lem in that they were both narrow. sing Strypelle and running the stripes vidth of the store, it was made to look r.The same trick worked in my kitchen. rypelle really makes a beautiful floor, here's more to it than meets the eye. practically seamless, and so smooth to trouble at all to keep clean. Then, it's so comfortable to stand on,

especially if you spend as much time in the kitchen as \(I\) do.

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