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t home, the sewing room was kept locked and people said "Don't come in" and tissue paper rustled as things were hastily hidden.


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 ou were making a penwiper for Mother and dreaming of the thing you wanted most, but none of the packages from the stores seemed the right shape. At last you hung up your stocking and went to bed feeling you couldn't possibly sleep. But almost at once it was morning, the stocking rifled, and there, under the tall tree, was the most wonderful present in all the wide world.


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## Uristmas is giving

# Packed in the stocking, stowed under the tree, here are some 

 wonderful ways for Santa to play his rôle. Four pages of heart's desires for youngsters from the first Christmas on.OPPOSITE. Reading counter-clockwise, the sad-eyed Meanie has soft blue body, darker green yarn trim, $\$ 2.95^{*} \neq$. Bendel's. Red and white leatherette cat ball with felt ears, $\$ 2.15^{*} \ddagger$. "I Count" Book, with words and pictures printed on linen, $\$ 1.55^{*} \ddagger$. Both at Young Books, Inc. Crossword Lexicon cards, for young word building, double pack, $94 \not \subset$, Macy's New York. Vivid-hued circus wagon, eight performers, \$15, Georg Jensen. Postal station, colored wood mailing pieces, $\$ 2.50$, Saks 5th Ave. Project blocks, different sizes for different ages, from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 17$ a set; separate set for train, $\$ 2.25 \dagger \ddagger$. Both at Educational Equipment Co. Pink-tailed gray mouse presides wisely over all, $\$ 2.95$, McCutcheon's. Colorful paper dragon and large, bizarre paper kite from Chinatown.
A. Step and slide, concealed chest, $\$ 22.50^{*}$; Jumbo Frog and Turtle, $\$ 3.50$ t ea. F.A.O. Schwarz. White plush donkey, $\$ 5$, Altman's. Long-lashed fawn, $\$ 3.98^{*} t$, Gimbel's. Plush musical goat plays "Anchors Aweigh", \$16.95, Abercrombie and Fitch. Large black horse is musical too, $\$ 13.95 \ddagger$, Bonwit Teller.
B.

- For a lucky godchild, sterling silver porringer, $\$ 22.50$, silver rattle, $\$ 7.50$, Josepha Ellis. Red, white and blue bib, mat and napkin, $\$ 3.25$, Pepper Tree Farms, Los Angeles. Dutch boy and girl dolls, $\$ 12$ each, Bergdorf Goodman. Wooden clothes tree, chicken finial, $\$ 10.50+$, Young Books, Inc.

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hen you buy toys remember it inn't the size but the surprise that counts, so whether it's a truck or a train, a ball or a toy crib, make dreams come true under the Christmas tree


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I. The hobby horse is Wedgwood blue with white trim, $\$ 22.50$ t, F. A. O. Schwarz. Block hassock with figured oilcloth cover, 101/2" high, \$4.98†, McCreery's. Pink and blue swirl plush ball, $\$ 3.50 \ddagger$; pink plush pig with music box, $\$ 7.95 \ddagger$ i gray plusi musical elephant $\$ 12.95 \ddagger$. All at Bonwit Teller. Child's steps, $171 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ high, $\$ 7.50 \nmid \ddagger$, Young Books, Inc. Brown plush felt-faced monkey, $\$ 8.55$, B. Altman.
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- Aspiring motorists will get great satisfaction out of the private garage of Boysen wood as well as the three cars that go with it. Garage is $12^{\prime \prime}$ wide by $5^{\prime \prime}$ high, $\$ 4.50$; cars are $\$ 1.50 \mathrm{ea}$. Georg Jensen. For the sea-loving lad, the Tilicum Coast Defense has nine boats and signal station, natural varnished wood, $\$ 4.98$, Bloomingdale's. The toy dominoes are lacquered in assorted colors, $\$ 4.95$ a set, Neiman-Marcus, Dallas.


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## Awards in architecture 1945

HOUSE IN STAMFORD,


CONN.; ROYAL BARRY WILLS, ARCHITECT

- This house, which is the nearest approach to strictly traditional design of any of our prize winners, will be of unusual interest to those of our readers who feel that traditionalism should be able to make concessions to modern living. The owner, Mrs. Margaret Lawton, operates a dairy farm and she wished the house to conform in its general appearance with that of the farm buildings and other houses in the vicinity. However, the architect tells us that she was insistent on having a much more extensive use of glass along the south wall of the living room than is customary for the type of house, and was also attracted by certain features of the open plan. Mr. Wills contrived to design the house around three sides of a terrace for privacy with a continuous row of windows opening on this terrace. In its general appearance the house will conform to the conventional New England type but there is very little attempt to adhere to the oldfashioned plan or to sacrifice comfort or convenience for merely stylistic reasons.

The house seems to us a notable example, on the one hand, of the evolutionary changes in design brought about by emphatic changes in major requirements, and on the other hand, of the survival of certain traditional forms in regions where these traditions originated.

Left: this view from the southwest looks into the sunny sheltered terrace and shows the row of windows along the wall of the living room. The garage is separated from the house by a covered porch, or breezeway, beyond which is the kitchen and maid's wing. To insure quiet, the two bedrooms are at the opposite end of the house.

Right: the space between the garage and the house serves variously as a porch, as shelter for the main entrance, a cool breezeway on warm days and a summer dining porch.


Awards in architecture continued


Mr. Wills' plan for the Lawton house is well-arranged for simple, convenient living. Dining and living rooms can be used as one, or separated by a folding wall. Meals can be served on the porch direct from the kitchen. The bedroom wing can be entered from the terrace without passing through other parts of the house. Halls are kept to a practical minimum, while excellent use is made of the possibilities inherent in a one-room-wide plan to assure plenty of light and ventilation throughout the entire house.


Projecting wings protect the flagstoned terrace with its little fish pool from spring and autumn winds.


In this Early American room the introduction of modern ideas seems compatible as well as practical.


This view of the dining room shows, at left, the folding partition by which it can be closed off.

## Christmas open house

Edible hospitality, your own special brand of Christmas cheer, for the guests who drop in to wish you well-from Christmas Eve to New Year's Day.

- Christmas hospitality should be warm, friendly and simple. Let it reach out its hands to people and draw them into the magic circle of good fellowship. If you can, remove the center of attraction from the formality of the dining room into the glow of the living room fire. Push the easy chairs and sofa within basking distance of the crackling logs and scatter soft cushions about for those who like to sit cross-legged on the floor.

For the guests who are doing the rounds and will visit with you but half a cheerful moment, serve a bowl of McIntosh apples, icy-cold and polished, with a plate of heated walnuts and a decanter of Port. Or thin crisp Chinese rice wafers to accompany the Sherry. Pound cake, plain or raisin-studded, teams well with a glass of Madeira; so do gingerbread cookies with hot mulled cider-braced, perhaps, with a dollop of brandy.

The guest who can linger awhile will appreciate the chill-breaking mulled wines, fragrant with cloves and cinnamon; or hot brandied milk punches served with thin butter cookies.

A kettle, kept bubbling on the hearth, creates an atmosphere as well as assuring each guest of a cup of very hot, freshly brewed tea. A low table drawn up to the fire can hold all the amenities: lemon slices, cloves, rock candy, even hot scones and bitter gold Dundee marmalade. Old-fashioned lebkuchen, pfeffernusse or anise drops are happy additions for those who prefer their tea with rum.

Coffee, though no novelty, is warming and friendly when served with thick cream and a cakelike yeast bread such as Norwegian Julekake or Russian Koulitch. For the holiday touch, if you like, you
might spike your coffee with brandy and spices for a brûlot or diable; and ladle it, piping hot from a deep brûlot-bowl.

For those who like to play with fire, bring on the Snapdragons. These large, plump raisins, soaked overnight in brandy, will blaze up brightly and bravely when piled on a platter and lighted. Keep forks handy for those timid souls who fear for their fingers.

Soups are hearty warmer-uppers and welcome at any time of day. They make good openings for the light suppers you can serve late in the evening-after guests have recovered from the Christmas feast. Strong, hot bouillon with a slice of lemon and a dusting of herbs, accompanied by slices of sour rye and sweet butter, has a way of thawing out the most shivery visitor. Clam broth and Swedish pumpernickel, or steaming onion soup with crusty, garlic-buttered French bread, are equally tempting.

Salads and small hot meat turnovers are good to follow the soup. So are rolled pancakes filled with turkey hash, or little individual meat pies. A jellyroll pattern of biscuit dough spread with minced ham can be sliced easily and neatly and bakes in a twinkling. Pumpernickel rounds heaped with a cottage cheesesour cream mixture (and ringed with chopped chives) might well be the only complement to soup.

For a cold buffet, platters of sliced ham and turkey are good companion pieces to slices of fresh homemade bread and a tray of celery, carrot sticks and olives, green and ripe. A chef's salad of ham, tongue, turkey and Swiss cheese cut in match-stick strips tossed with greens and garnished with tomatoes and hardcooked eggs is good. Accompany with pumpernickel. Or make it smoked turkey, cut paper thin, and served with bread and butter finger sandwiches, watercress and chutney. (Continued on page 138)

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I-AT SIX, ENGAGINGLY CHILDISH


## Room to grow on

CHOOSE YOUR DAUGHTER'S FURNITURE WITH CARE AND IT NEED NEVER BE OUTGROWN

1-She's six, old enough to take pride in a room planned for her very own. Her mother chose French Provincial furniture because of its small scale; the larger pieces have been painted apple green, the rest left in fruitwood. Her beds are springs on legs set in the corners to leave lots of play space. Above them, shelves with shaped wooden valances hold toys and books; conceal lights. Between the beds an upholstered banquette, flanked by little tables, conceals a phonograph and record space beneath lift-up seats; she loves her low table and slipper chair for sit-down play. Her picture frames have wide mats and hinged glass so that pictures may be easily changed; opposite them is a bulletin board. Since she is still apt to spill things, everything is washable from the woven cotton rug to the bedspreads, curtains and slipcover of small and large checked pink-and-white gingham to match the soft pink walls. Last birthday she was given the goldfish bowl lamp which lights the table desk and easy chair.
$\mathbf{2}$-She's sixteen, thinks pink is babyish, likes to entertain her schoolmates in her own room. So walls are a darkish blue and the beds have tailored plaid spreads and cushions. Between them, the banquette-phonograph plays swing instead of Mother Goose. The shelves still act as bed-lights although they, like the other painted pieces, are now white. Nursery scenes have yielded to beaux in her picture frames, with an overflow on the still-useful bulletin board. The goldfish, alas, died, but she put Christmas baubles in the lamp which is now on the low table near the window. The easy chair has an ottoman now, and when she isn't stretched on the shaggy white rug she sometimes remembers to relax there.
3-She's twenty-six, married and has an apartment with a small guestroom. She asked her mother to send over her girlhood furniture and she has planned the guestroom around it. The beds now stand side by side, united by a handsome, oyster-white tufted headboard and spread, with bolster and petticoat of green-and-white stripe. She has had all the wooden pieces scraped, bleached and pickled to stand out against the deep green walls. A new easy chair and ottoman are upholstered in chartreuse to match the rug, with a cherry pink cushion like the seats of the wooden chairs. Her little daughter, aged four, is rapidly outgrowing nursery furniture and she isn't at all sure that when they move to their new house in the country she may not start the cycle all over again for her when she is six.



## the modern house

FOUR PAGES OF CONTEMPORARY INTERIORS DESIGNED EXPRESSLY FOR CHILDREN

As every modern parent knows, the presence of children in the home is one of the realest facts extant. Perhaps there was a time when the young ones could be assigned certain remote areas of the house and their lives professionally supervised so that the remainder of the house operated on a no-children basis. But not today. Today's smart parents, when they build, assign a generous space to the children; and today's smart architect designs this space specifically for children's use. To a surprising degree, this simple development in design sets the modern house apart from most of its predecessors. For many generations, children have lived in rooms which were scaled for grown-ups. They couldn't see out of the windows, and they couldn't reach the hooks. They were more fortunate in the matter of furniture; there have been little chairs and little tables through many generations of furniture makers, but only recently has the youngest generation been admitted as a component in the over-all architectural problem. The ideas presented on these four pages are symptomatic of this emphatic change. Not only are these rooms pleasanter for children, but the arrangements which they provide can do much to save time, steps and trouble for their elders-applied common sense in a field where common sense is most rewarding.

BETTER THAN BANISTERS. The normal inclination of children, and some adults, to take a short cut down stairs is provided for in this slide which occupies only a fraction of the total width of the stairs. It is especially appreciated on rainy days and is the most popular feature in the North Country School at Lake Placid, N. Y.
-AND THEIR PARENTS


PLAN


MUD-PROOF LOCKER ROOM. The amount of mud, sand, snow and similar material that a group of active youngsters can bring into the house seems to be limitless. Likewise, the problem of what to do with raincoats, snow suits, galoshes and other outdoor gear is ever present and rarely solved. The photograph above shows a room which has been in use in the North Country School for the past six years and has proved very effective. The designers of the school, Douglas Haskell with Henry S. Churchill, associated architect, have worked out a modification of this room for us, shown in the diagram and small plan at the top of this page. Lockers are doorless with hooks placed low enough for children to reach. The floor is waterproof and sloped toward a gutter so that it can be hosed down. Heating pipes under the lockers send warm air through the perforated shelves of the lockers to dry wet clothes-children's or adults'.


Below, and in the part-plan at left, is a children's section in a Los Angeles home. This may be evidence that parents and architects today recognize the importance of accepting the child as a person entitled to the consideration of an adult in the provision of comfort, privacy and pleasant environment for his activities. Play space and a private garden open off the south wall of glass in the children's rooms. Living room windows are placed so that the children's play may be unobtrusively supervised. Gregory Ain, designer; Visscher Boyd, associate.


Children in the modern house continued


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Designer, Alyne Whalen, thoughtfully considered the children's ages, their personalities and color preferences in designing these rooms in a Los Angeles home. Consulting the three daughters, aged 6, 12 and 16, she planned individually for their sleep, play and study.

1. Six-year-old Jane has a section on her gray and yellow linoleum floor for hopscotch and other games. A natural pine table and shelves line one of three clear yellow walls; with shelves and chest against the fourth rose wall. 2. Ann, aged 12 , whose large room in mocha, beige and green has an extra bed for a guest, has her own built-in furniture and a dressing table with concealed lighting. 3. A studio and bedroom has been planned for $16 \cdot$-yearold Frances. Her bed slides conveniently back under a built-in shelf which foreshortens its width and makes it a comfortable couch. One wall is hyacinth blue to match the bedspread and pillows; the other walls are an oyster white with furniture toned a warm gray.



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From left to right: 4. Nursery into sleeping quarters is quickchange with a sliding partition. Harwell Hamilton Harris, designer. 5. Quartered oak fireplace and desk in appropriate small scale and simplicity for a child's room. G. Holmes Perkins, architect. 6. Ground floor playroom easily accessible to the kitchen to also serve as a children's dining room. The room opens out upon a play yard and sand box. The built-out cabinet has space for a movie projector and a wall rack to hold films. G. Holmes Perkins, architect.

## A matter of stature

FACILITIES TO PROMOTE HAPPIER AND BETTER JUVENILE BEHAVIOR

The fact that children do not rebel against living like Lilliputians in a land of Brobdingnagians proves the innate human ability for adjustment to environment. Built-in conveniences for the junior members of the family need not represent an unnecessary expense if they are made to adjust to the child's growth or to do double duty for both the growing and the grown. The progeny are entitled to the feeling that they are people too. And at the same time that Difficult Discipline against Disorder is made vastly simpler by the use of closets, furniture and conveniences designed especially for the needs of the growing generation.


THIS CHART shows the average height for boys and girls as reported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Rods for children's garments should be the height of the child. The shelf height for books and toys should be $20 \%$ greater than that of the child if he can see the object on the shelf. Otherwise the uppermost shelf should not be above eye level-approximately four inches less than the height of the child.


RAIN AND SNOW CLOSET-The offspring can be conditioned to put their things into this closet designed for immunity to the elements. Hooks for hats and caps, and trays for rain shoes nip dampness in the bud. A rear hall furnishes an ideal location for this device to control dripping and mud.

PLAY TABLE-A sturdy table and chair with adjustable legs like a camera tripod have to be especially designed and made. But such furniture will grow with the child and can be changed to fit his height correctly through years of use.



BOOK RACK-The gay covers of children's books and phonograph record albums can be displayed on a rack of this sort. It is a stimulus to the awakening pride in possession that the child has in his " $i$ brary". Such a rack should be movable and inexpensively built, so that it can be superseded by regular bookshelves when the child is old enough.


STUDY DESK - The height of this piece of furniture is a compromise which should be amenable to many age groups. Its sloping top makes it comfortable for children between first and sixth grade.


CRIBS AND BEDS-The figures in the table are for standard sized cribs, beds and mattresses and are given for help in planning proper space allow. ance. A full-size bed can, of course, follow the crib.

ADJUST ABLE CLOSET-Even when the children are grown up the low hanging pole is useful for windbreakers, jackets or sweaters. Adjustable shelves are always handy for the storage of any household goods, since changing needs for space can never be anticipated.


CHILDREN'S BATHROOM-For the home that has old-fashioned numbers of nieces, children, grandchildren or many young visitors, a bathroom especially for the small ones might have the special plumbing fixtures which are available. Made for schools, this equipment is standard.


ALL PURPOSE CLOSET-This represents the "four stages of man". The upper shelves are used for household goods. The lower space is gradually encroached on by the growing generation. Small children use it for toys. Later the medium drawers house tackle, string, marbles. Eventually the top shelves hold tennis racquets, record collections.


## How still the night !

- One of these days we thriving, bustling, hurrying people of the West may learn the value of quiet, of what happens when we sit still. For many centuries the East has known that solitude and silence bring their own measures of enjoyment and healing. Their way of enjoying music, for example. We enjoy it while the music is playing; their richest moments are when it is over and they can think about it.

When first this was told me my mind flashed back to a picture I had seen in my own home. Seven children made daytime hours fairly strenuous for my mother. All of us put to bed and the house quieted down, she would go into her room and sit alone for a while. Once finding her there I asked, "What are you doing here all alone in the dark?" She answered, "Skip back to bed. This is $m y$ time. I'm luxuriating in silence."

- During the past few years we have had little chance either to be alone or luxuriate in silence. Wars are fought by regimented men and women. They are crowded close together. Many newly inducted soldiers found this constant pressure of others hard to take. They never had a chance to be alone. There were rows and rows, too, of regimented men and women working away in Red Cross rooms and factories, fitting themselves into a pattern and a routine.

Scarcely had peace come than our economy was disrupted by strikes, by regimented efforts of men demanding to better their lot. They held conferences with other regimented men whose thinking and arguments were guided by preconceived and statistically-supported rules, euphemistically known as "the sound principles of business."

How many of them, soldiers, factory workers, Red Cross women, strikers and employers, how many of them knew the peace that comes after din, could sit still alone, be themselves and think what it was all about? Some may have sought it on a solitary_walk. Many found it when they reached home. Home, if we respect each other, is one of the places where we should be able to throw off regimented thinking.

- Now luxuriating in silence has a way of revealing many things to us. It shows where we've made mistakes, where our thinking and acts were wrong. It also has a compelling way of convincing us that we cannot, of ourselves, do it all alone. Nor can mere mobs of people marching and working shoulder to shoulder do it. There's got to be something else, something that doesn't come from us. What that dear child-ridden
mother was seeking there alone in the dark was the rich and enveloping light and aid which came not from herself.

That, when we realize it, is what Christmas is all about.
"Silent night, holy night," we sing. "Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse," we teach our children. The shepherds were sleeping. The din of day's work had fled. Not a lamb bleated nor a cow lowed. Silence, solitude. How still the night! Then the song of the angel proclaiming that help had come, that what we could not do of ourselves was to be done for us, that the promise of the ages was to be fulfilled, that to those of good will, peace was given.

- Many times before and since then the world had heard proclamations of peace, but this was a different kind of peace: it passes human understanding. It was brought, not by a returning warrior resplendent and glowing from his conquests, but by a helpless Babe born in a lowly stable and cradled in a manger from which dumb beasts fed.

And yet, in His hand He held the orb of the world and was destined to release it from the clamor, confusion and evil ways that brought suffering. He gave peace that we might live in peace, that troubled men and women struggling through the dark night be brought to light. That a solitary mother sitting there alone could be certain all those about her were well and cared for and whatever the next day brought forth she would be ready to cope with.

- The strange fact about this peace the Christmas angel heralded is that we can't keep it unless we share it. We have to give it away to have it. That's what makes it past man's understanding here on earth. The best we can do is to symbolize it. Our Christmas gifts are symbols of that peace-if, of course, we are men of good will. Merely to exchange gifts because of social and commercial obligations only debases a heavenly endowment. Those who have no truly good will can never know truly good peace. So we wrap up our gifts in gay paper and tie them with giddy ribbons, because good will and peace are joyous.

This year, more than ever before, empty hands reach out to us from all the world. The appeals seem overwhelming. We must give widely and to the limit.

Writing cheques is rather a dull way to extend our charities, yet it, too, can be made gay and joyous. Go off by yourself to write them. Write them slowly-and as you sign your name, say, "I share my peace with you."

## Traveled Californian

## DECORATOR FRANCES ELKINS BECAME

HER OWN CLIENT WHEN SHE DESIGNED HER MONTEREY HOUSE


Frances A. Elkins, outstanding Pacific Coast decorator, has worked on such diverse projects as the Yerba Buena Club at the San Francisco Exposition, the University of California's Stern Hall and, currently, the Santa Anita Turf Club, as well as many distinguished houses. Her European education and travels are reflected in her work.

- For her own house, Mrs. Elkins chose a typical Monterey dwelling built in the 1830s as the wedding gift of a Spanish don to his daughter. She has given its interior a cosmopolitan elegance, predominantly Gallic, yet indebted to China, England and Italy for its individual flavor. She has a flair for achieving atmosphere from color: classic repose in the late afternoon grays and blues of the upstairs hall; a China silk brilliance in the vivid yellows and lapis lazuli of the big living room; a seemingly rural innocence in the whitewash-white and brick red of the furniture in the little garden, belied by the sophistication of its clipped box, its carefully planned beds of pink and red flowers.

Her deft way with color is echoed in her confident blending of periods: French, English, Spanish, Italian. Chinese tapestries, an English horse painting by Sartorius and Venetian prints hang on the living room walls; Louis XIII chairs and old Spanish portraits are equally at home in the spacious red-tiled entrance hall. This house, by a decorator for a decorator, has achieved great individuality and style.


Front doorway, flanked by two old French stone dogs.


Brick-paved garden is filled with masses of clipped box in white tubs, sheltered by an olive tree. A large red and white umbrella takes chairs in the same colors under its wing.


Mrs. Elkins' own room. The white bed has a shell-pink cover. Baseboards and mantel are marbleized slate gray. Ivory white chairs with red seats, against whitewashed walls and white string rug, have a strawberries and cream quality.


Brilliant turquoise porcelain in a bedroom contrasts with dark furniture and red and white toile de Jouy hangings.


Unusual French Provincial chairs, Louis XV table; shelf holds turquoise porcelains.

## Bachelor's town house

BUILT ABOUT TWELVE YEARS AGO; NOW COMPLETELY DONE OVER FOR

Alex M. Lewyt, owner and manager of an immensely successful contract manufacturing business, found this house near New York's

East River, designed about twelve years ago by a French architect. Sloane's remodeled and decorated the house without changing its somewhat unusual plan of one main room to a floor. On the fourth floor are the guest room and bath; also the library and bar (not ishown) where Mr. Lewyt does his informal entertaining. Flattering background for formal dining, right: sepia and white scenic paper, black and white floor, sepia woodwork, Regency furniture enlivened by light crimson upholstery.


## A YOUNG EXECUTIVE

Roof garden boasts raised flower beds, a tiny lawn, a pool and large loung. ing area sheltered by a blue awning with sides that drop for privacy.

Sea-green walls and satin stripe curtains, beige carpet, harmonizing damask upholstery add elegance to the drawing room which occupies the whole second floor.


Reception hall, a few steps above street level, has classic candelabrum reflected in mirror, pinkish beige walls, cocoa and white floor, small green leather bench.

Mr. Lewyt's bedroom has blue walls, Empire red bed niche highlighted with an old tôle clock, blue spread, beige carpet and old cellarettes used as bedside tables.


The owner's collection of old watches and watch keys lends interest to mahogany desk in bedroom. MORE ABOUT THIS HOUSE ON PAGE 128

## In time for Christmas

EARLY RETURNS BRING ELECTRIC APPLIANCES FOR GIFTS


The Toastmaster is back in that familiar two-slice, pop-up model of chromium. Cory's coffee maker, vacuum glass rod type, and a serving decanter on two-unit electric stove. "Buffet Queen", \$24.95.
The Waring Blendor in a new plastic case returns to mix drinks, food. About $\$ 29.50$. General Electric's iron has accurate heat
control, cool handle, good shape. About $\$ 8.50$.

NEW PRESSURE SAUCEPANS HEAD MANY CHRISTMAS LISTS

The new Mirro-Matic, covered at the left, locks, seals and opens easily. Cooks at 5,10, or 15 lbs . pressure. 4 qts. $\$ 12.95$. The reliable Presto Cooker, shown uncovered, is back with a new vegetable rack, \$12.50. The new Ekco cooker of drawn aluminum is easy to use, has separate serving cover, \$13.95.



GOOD POTS AND PANS WILL SHINE UNDER THIS YEAR'S TREE

Glowing copper and glinting steels have an added lustre, for a really good pan is a newly prized possession.
Large skillet in the center is of stainless steel with copper bottom to spread heat evenly.
The sauce pot and two-handled Dutch oven are same construction. Prices about $\$ 5.00, \$ 4.00$ and $\$ 8.00$. All have covers, hanging hooks and are beautifully made by Revere. French copper, tin-lined, comes
back with two skillets, covered casserole and a stew pot. From Bazar Français, priced $\$ 9.60$ and $\$ 7.90$, $\$ 9.50$ and $\$ 7.60$. Handsome casseroles by Red Wing, $\$ 3.50, \$ 4$. Look for these at leading stores.


## Holiday bounty

Grafton M. Peberdy, who supervises the grounds of Yale University, grows plants to enjoy outdoors all year and indoors at Christmas. Here he describes some of his favorites.

- The gardener who is fortunate to have a variety of good evergreens and berried shrubs in his garden may easily appropriate some for Christmas decorations. This cutting, done judiciously, also serves as annual pruning for the trees and shrubs.

Some years ago we started a custom of calling in friends and neighbors to a Christmas wreath-making party. So much interest was shown in using the limited variety of material from our garden at the time that the following spring we began adding more evergreens and berried shrubs to our plantings. Now we have not only a garden of year-round beauty, but enough evergreens to provide clippings for as many as twenty-five participants in our annual party. Birds, too, are attracted to the plantings that offer them food and winter shelter.

Evergreens are handsomest in early winter. Growth has hardened up and foliage is a deep, glossy green. Cutting the branches at Christmas time may seem like a sacrifice of


Bayberry

# from the garden 



Andromeda


English Hawthorn
beauty, but experience has shown us that carefully pruned plants do not even show their loss. In fact, they benefit, for pruning makes the plants fuller and guides their growth. Incidentally, we do the pruning ourselves, the morning of the wreath-making party. This saves time and confusion and eliminates any chance slips of the pruning shears in the hands of enthusiastic guests.

We use a pruning technique called "pinching back". This is nothing more than cutting back with knife or pruners the branches that have put out extra-long growth during the season. This gives good clippings for decorations, benefits the plant, and at the same time avoids the formal effect resulting from shearing with hedge clippers. All cuts are made back to side branches or buds, to obviate ugly stubs that may die back. Unless the plant is leggy from neglect or dense shade, we do not cut back of the current season's growth.

Each plant is a pruning problem in itself, so it is carefully studied before a single cut is made. The length of wood trimmed out depends on the growth rate and on the ultimate size and shape desired to fill its particular location. A well-fertilized Mountain Laurel that has put on
ten to twelve inches of growth during the season may be pruned back eight or nine inches; a poor grower with only four to six inches of new growth may be cut back about three, or none at all, depending on its location. Pines give the most generous trimmings as their "candles" of new growth may attain three feet or more in a single season; junipers are slow growers in comparison and yield only small branches, sufficient, however, for filling in and giving bulk to wreaths.

Cuttings from all of our evergreens and berried shrubs have been used in wreaths, sprays, garlands and vase arrangements for Christmas. The firs, spruces, pines, hemlocks, laurels, hollies and rhododendrons are the most useful for backgrounds. The others, especially the andromedas and berried plants, give charm and contrast.

The framework for wreaths can be made of eight- or nine-gauge wire, but we prefer a heavier foundation constructed of two hoops of wire with sphagnum moss bound on with cord. The moss acts as a pincushion into which the pointed ends of the twigs are stuck. If the moss is watered daily, this moistened foundation adds several days to (Cont'd on page 158)


Heavenly Bamboo


Japanese Yew


American Holly


Pitch Pine


White Pine

## Homes for house plants

HEALTHFUL CONDITIONS AND BEAUTY SHOULD GO HAND IN HAND


A modern plant corner with sunken soil bed. Tile floor and oil-painted walls allow syringing of plants without damage to the surroundings. Glass, plastic or wooden rods provide support for philodendron or other vines. A Fiddleleaf Fig is underplanted with Banded Maranta, both plants tolerant of a high temperature.

A plant is decorative only so long as it is healthy. If you want an attractive indoor garden, the first things to
consider, then, are light, temperature and moisture.
Probably the easiest condition to control, and yet the most neglected, is moisture. House plants may receive an overdose of it on the roots, but often the surrounding atmos-
phere is as dry as a desert, and suitable only for cacti.
A plant corner that is part of a living room must share its temperature, but atmospheric moisture can be improved by syringing the tops of the plants. The surroundings should therefore be water-resistant, of glass, tile, brick, or they may be protected with a good oil paint.

In a living-room plant corner temperature and light will limit the choice of plants. Most rooms are kept above 65 degrees Fahrenheit, a temperature that suggests the use of heat-loving plants native to desert or jungle. The examples shown at left will fit a warm window that receives three or four hours of winter sunlight. Plants to substitute for these in a south window are Crown-of-
Thorns (Euphorbia splendens), trained as a vine, and a sizeable cactus underplanted with Kalanchoe coccinea. This combination of succulents prefers soil lightened with sand, and a limited quantity of water. The euphorbia and kalanchoe have yellow-red flowers-wonderful in a room where this dramatic color is at home.

A greenhouse-or one in miniature, as on the opposite page-is the ideal solution for a plant corner. Here heat can be thermostatically controlled. As in a terrarium, air moisture builds up within the glass walls. When an excess is indicated by the steaming of the glass one of the panels can be opened to admit room air.


SECTION


INTERIOR ELEVATION




## WEDNESDAY

Hang the holly Trim the tree＇til It＇s all a－glow． （See that pile of Packages grow！ Sing the carols Of long ago． Let good fellowship Overflow． Christmas is coming To high and low． Even the little leaf Seems to know，as it Dances alone in The dancing snow． 1 The garden may still yield a few chrysanthemums that make a nice bouquet in combination with greens and berries． 2 Coldframes with lettuce and other late crops and over－wintering perennials should be aired on warm days． Close late in day．

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 To satisfy an interest in conser－ vation read＂Con－ servation in U．S．＂ or＂American Con－ servation in Picture and Story．＂| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 츨 } \\ & \text { 岂 } \end{aligned}$ |  | 4 $\qquad$ grey moths around tree trunks portend trouble next spring． They are the adults of the hungry canker worms． | 11 $\qquad$ author of＂Better Lawns＂，agronomist of N．J．Agricultural Station since 1927. was born this day in 1898. | 18 <br> As the result of careful plans you may have in bloom indoors： hyacinths，crocus， Iris reticulata and freesias． | 25 The Christmas <br> Poinsettia is <br> a symbol of good neighborliness．In its native Mexico it <br> is known as Flower <br> of the Nativity． |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 츰 } \\ & \text { 苞 } \\ & \text { 3 } \end{aligned}$ | Hang the holly <br> And mistletoe． <br> Trim the tree＇til <br> It＇s all a－glow． <br> （See that pile of | 5 High time to collect and clean tools．Remove dirt with scraper or kerosene．Coat metàl parts with grease against rust． | 12 <br> Paperwhite Narcissi，set in pebbles and water last month，are brought into the light so they＇ll bloom for Xmas． | 19 <br> Watering <br> of house plants can be cut down in dull weather when growth is slow． Also avoid syring－ ing late in day． | 26 Henry Hicks． veteran nurseryman of Long Island，was born this day， 1870. He originated the handsome Hicks Yew． |
|  | Packages grow！） <br> Sing the carols <br> Of long ago． <br> Let good fellowship <br> Overflow． <br> Christmas is coming | 6 The Geneva，N．Y． Experiment Station working with the N．Y． Botanical Garden，is developing seedless grapes to grow in the North． | 13 <br> In＂forcing <br> bulbs indoors remember they need a cool window preferably not over $60^{\circ} \mathrm{F}_{.1}$ to give best results． | 20 Field mice are under－cover workers．Their winter＇s meal of bark may not be noticed till the tree dies． | 27 Indoor plants can be protected on severe nights by a layer of newspapers between plants and glass． |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 츨 } \\ & \text { 운 } \end{aligned}$ | To high and low． <br> Even the little leaf <br> Seems to know，as it <br> Dances alone in <br> The dancing snow． | 7 Plant bulbs of the red amaryllis （hippeastrum to the botanist）within next two weeks for bloom on Saint Valentine＇s Day． | 14 Decatur，III．， is the＂soy bean capital of the world＂．Adding to this bean fame，it has a fine pole bean named for it． | 21 $\qquad$ <br> giving plants for Xmas choose those to suit house condi－ tions．Poinsettia likes warmth；azaleas a cool climate． | 28 <br> Shrub pruning winds up outdoor work of the year． Pick a warmish day：wood gets brittle when tem－ perature is low． |
| 六 | 1 The garden may still yield a few chrysanthemums that make a nice bouquet in combination with greens and berries． | 8 Winter is a good time to check on trees．Call in a＂tree doctor，＂or a trained forester to supervise care of wood lot． | 15 This is the birthday of Anderson McCully． garden writer who specializes in alpines of the Northwest． | 22 $\qquad$ rhododendron expert born this day in 1893．He conducts a plant breeding laboratory in Maine，N．Y． | 29 Pans of early tulips can be brought in for forcing．Late types should be allowed a longer rooting period． |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 咅 } \\ & \text { 穹 } \end{aligned}$ | 2 Coldframes with lettuce and other late crops and over－wintering perennials should be aired on warm days． Close late in day． | 9 Norfolk－Island Pine（Araucaria excelsa）is a house plant that sub－ stitutes as a small Christmas tree；nice at other seasons． | 16 Tip－browning of new hemlocks may be due to drying winds．It＇s best to protect trees with screens the first winter． | 23 <br> A good day to put final touches on packages．Tuck on sprigs of greens that recipient can use as corsage for Xmas week． | 301 f you lock <br> a real green－ house，build a makeshift against a southern window， which can be left open to heat it． |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 츷 } \\ & \text { 을 } \end{aligned}$ | 3 To satisfy an interest in conser－ vation read＂Con－ servation in U．S．＂ or＂American Con－ servation in Picture and Story．＂ | 10 How many buds can you identify on your week end walk？ Oak buds are clus－ tered；some，like magnolias＇，under－ scored by leaf scars． | 17 Mealy bugs are due on house plants．Kill them before they spread and before Xmas preparations take all your time． | 24 While select－ ing vegetables and fruits for Xmas dinner，inspect storeroom and remove bruised produce． | 31 While jotting down New Year＇s resolves，put in an extra few minutes to write postals requesting new plant catalogues． |



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## YOUR CHILDREN AND THEIR TOYS

$\mathrm{S}^{\text {electing toys }}$ for children sounds Slike fun but it takes a lot of forehand knowledge-to come up with the right toy for the right age.

Appropriate toys, aside from being fun for the child, have a definite educational value and fill a definite need in the child's life.

The purpose of this article is to give you some idea of the type of toys that will appeal to children in different age groups. Naturally, some children develop faster than others and they may be happier with toys that normally are right for older children. However, as a general rule, the playthings listed below will suit the child of the age specified.

## Under a year old

Children of this age need toys that appeal to their senses. Their playthings should be: bright in color to attract the eye; noisy to intrigue the ear; fuzzy, soft or of an otherwise interesting texture. Washable and unbreakable toys are most reliable. They should be large enough so that they can't be swallowed.

1. Brightly colored objects hung where he can see them
2. Squeak toys (rubber or washable cloth)
3. Rattles (sturdy and non-inflammable)
4. Washable stuffed dolls or animals 5. Colored balls (large and painted with non-poisonous paint)
5. Cups or any smooth object to chew on (non-breakable)

## One to two years old

This is the year that most children spend taking things apart and...hopefully...trying to put them together again. Life will be brighter for them if you give them the kind of toys that they can experiment with and move around from one place to another.

1. Large blocks with rounded corners
2. Stuffed dolls and animals (washable and with stitched, not button, eyes)
3. Soft balls to throw
4. Nests of objects that fit together
5. Push-and-pull toys
6. Large picture books (cloth or heavy paper)
7. Peg boards (bright colors and large pegs)
8. Small chairs and table (suitable to size)
9. Sand box and appropriate tools

## Two to three years old

At this age, the child is developing more and more assurance in his newfound abilities. Give him toys that help build muscles and further develop the senses. He'll want to play with other children now, so the toys should be those that can be shared.

1. Large blocks that fit into one another
2. Wooden animals
3. Kiddie car or tricycle
4. Finger paints (non-poisonous) (Continued on page 118)


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5. Cars and wagons to push around
6. Sand box and tools
7. Miniature wheelbarrow
8. Modeling clay
9. Rocking horse
10. Small furniture (right size for his height)

Three to four years old
At three, the child is beginning to imitate, is entering into the makebelieve world that is harrowing for grown-ups but fun for him. The proper toys will drain off his excess energy into the least nerveracking channels. Encourage him with toys that fill his need and will stand up under a lot of wear and tear.

1. Small broom and carpet sweepers 2. Toy telephone
2. Crayons and large paper
3. Dolls (with simple wrap-around clothes to put on and take off)
4. Doll buggies and beds
5. Simple wooden puzzles with large parts
6. Toy dishes (unbreakable)
7. Miniature tools to use in the garden
8. Suit case to pack and unpack
9. Wading pool
10. Painting sets (non-poisonous paints)

Four to six years old
During this period, the imitative instinct is well-developed. This is the dramatic and creative age. As the child is now busy learning to read and write, the toys you give him should serve as a stimulus to these interests.

1. Simple construction sets
2. Dolls and doll accessories
3. Doll house and furniture
4. Blackboard and dustless chalk
5. Paints and paint books
6. Modeling clay
7. Books with pictures and some large print
8. Wash tub and board
9. Table and chairs (to fit child's size) 10. Skipping rope
10. Small iron and ironing board
11. Blunt scissors for cutting out piclures
12. Out-door swings and playground equipment
13. Costumes and old clothes (for dressup purposes)

Six to eight years of age
During this period children love to play with anything that demonstrates their manual skill. Give the child toys that will develop this ability and his confidence in it.

1. Simple games and puzzles
2. Dolls and doll houses
3. Sewing materials
4. Carpenter's bench and tools (be careful of too sharp tools)
5. Books
6. Painting sets
7. Sled
8. Construction sets
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9. Roller skates
10. Equipment for playing store, house 11. Playground equipment 12. Kites

Eight years and older
From eight and well on into adolescence the child's interests will vary according to individual tastes and talents. His toys should be selected to further these natural bents and to develop accuracy and speed. From now on, the field of your choice will be widened to include as many of the following as appeal to the child.

1. Construction or model building sets
2. Carpenter bench and tools
3. Bicycle
4. Hobby materials (arts and crafts, photography, coin and stamp collection, puppet shows)
5. Games
6. Electric train (should bear the seal of approval of Underwriters' Laboratories)
7. Sports equipment (tennis, baseball)
8. Musical instruments
9. Out-door playground equipment 10. Books
10. Gym equipment

It will be more fun for you and more fun for the child when you make it a habit to select the right toy for the right age.

## CHRISTMAS TABLE

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T HE fairy tale cloth is made of tarlatan, stretched tight over sateen, the skirt very full with swags caught up with glittering gold stars. An urn, made of wire wound with pine, holds baubles which your guests can hang on the tree after dinner.

Pedestals of wood, painted chalk white, support the urn and the goldwashed brass candlesticks. The latter are from Alfred Orlik. Hurricane shields protect the candles from a sudden draught. Repeating the gold, Syracuse "Jefferson" china, wreathed in gold laurel leaves, and Dirilyte flatware in the "Regal" pattern. Continuing the gold theme are shell ashtrays, nut dishes and gilded china salt cellars and pepper pots from Alice Marks. Damask napkins are from Mosse. Golden match folders from Can-DleLuxe complete the effect.

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## PLAY SAFE

IN buying toys for your small fry, the most important consideration is safety. The National Safety Council makes the following recommendations.

The wrong toys in the hands of a child can be as dangerous as a loaded pistol. The most intelligent mothers and fathers are apt to lose sight of this point when they see a toy that arouses nostalgic memories or is cute to the point of being irresistible. However, it's best to remember that the toys are for the children and not solely for the admiration of the adult populace.

Very young children, because of their habit of putting everything portable . . . and much that is not . . . in their mouths, should never be given small articles like jacks, coins or marbles. Every year, nearly six hundred children choke to death over just such small objects. A small amount of care and thought could do much to lower this unnecessary mortality rate.

Dangerous too, for small children, are many of the gaily colored toys. Make sure that the paint or dye on these highly attractive objects is nonpoisonous.

Naturally, no small child should be allowed to play with electrical toys, and the older child should only be allowed to play with those that bear the seal of the Underwriters' Laboratories. And it should be thoroughly impressed on them that wet hands, damp clothes and electricity don't mix. Always keep a weather eye out for frayed cords or any other signs that the equipment is not in the best possible condition.

Children, with their natural carelessness, will not be more cautious about inflammable toys than they are about any others, so it's a good idea to see that they don't have the opportunity of seriously burning and scarring themselves for life. Celluloid toys are among those that will catch fire readily, as will many of the napped and brushed fabrics. Last year, a cowboy suit, bearing imitation fur of this type caused the death of three small boys. Eight others were badly burned.

Regular inspection of all toys will save you a lot of future grief. Cracked rattles allow the small stones to escape, loose nails in the sandbox can cause serious infections and loose wheels on coaster wagons have caused many a small limb to be broken. No toy is too insignificant to be overlooked. If it can't be properly mended . . . don't give it away . . . throw it away.

Certain toys, such as archery sets, air rifles, dart games or chemistry sets should be played with only under supervision.

East, but not least, many of the accidents caused by Junior's untidy habit of leaving his roller skates where daddy will skid on them, may seem funny in the comic strips, but in real life, the hospital bills are anything but amusing. Therefore, it is not only good discipline for the child to be made to put his toys away in a prescribed place but it is very much safer.

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 LETTERBOXFireplace Hearth

Question: In our living room is a mantel more than one hundred years old. It is quite similar to the ones in the Taft house in Ohio pictured in your September, 1940 issue.

The face and hearth are laid up of "sand" brick and the brick is quite rough and porous. It is almost impossible to keep the hearth in a clean and presentable condition.

We had thought a new hearth, possibly of limestone or slate that would be in keeping with the old mantel, could be installed but perhaps you can suggest an easier and less expensive method.
R. J. W.

Columbus, 0
Answer: Since the brick is quite rough and porous, it would be advisable to apply at least two coats of portland cement paint after it has been thoroughly cleaned. We suggest that you use a limestone hearth. A slate hearth would be more in keeping with the formality of a marble surround.

## Acid Soil

Question: We have a good sized garden at our mountain home west of Denver. During the war we were unable to drive up often enough to keep the falling pine needles raked off the flower beds and rock garden. We feel fairly certain the cessation of growth and bloom of many plants is due primarily to the acid condition caused by falling pine needles. Can we counteract this by sprinkling lime over the affected areas? If lime is not advisable what do you suggest?
W. S. D.

Evergreen, Colo.
Answer: We suggest that you send a sample of the soil to your State Experiment Station. They will examine it free of charge and advise what steps to take to bring the soil to a neutral reaction suitable for most plants.

Rather than constantly combatting nature you might find it most satisfactory in the end to gradually replace the unhappy plants with those that prefer acidity. In our March, 1945, issue we showed the New Jersey garden of Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs who did this very thing. They used pine needles to carpet paths and an outdoor sitting area, and they have plantings largely of ferns and wildflowers that like partial shade and acid soil.

Plants for Sun Deck
Question: We have a large sun deck above our garage which is attached to the house. We want to grow something in tubs or boxes on it. The deck is exposed to sun all day until late evening. G. D. H.

Ottawa, Kansas
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For permanent material, you could use some woody vines and shrubs, and even small trees if the tubs are large enough. Wisteria and Fleecevine (Polygonum auberti) are both fast growers and would, of course, need trellises or wire supports. Forsythias are tough and also privets. In fact, almost any flowering shrub should do in good soil. To save ground space you could train some as espaliers (see Mr. Clark's article in our October issue). Some of the flowering cherries, crabapples and dwarf fruit trees should do. If we were to choose just one tree, it would be a small weeping willow because of its rich green. It might outgrow a tub within two or three years, but you can start another one readily from a twig stuck in moist soil.

Lantanas, that have beautiful yellow, orange or lavender flowers, are one of the most floriferous things for a roof garden. The deep blue lobelia combines nicely with them, also Heavenly Blue morning glories. You will have to buy lantanas, usually grown from cuttings, and it would be best to buy the lobelia plants too as they need a fairly long growing season.

## Flower Border

Question: I have a plot 40 feet square enclosed by a stone wall. It is at a level some 40 feet below the house level and therefore is completely visible from the terrace above.

I wish to plant a flower border inside the stone wall, leaving the central portion of the plot for grass. In your estimation, what is the narrowest border that could be wisely planted?

Leaving aside the question of minimum width, what in your estimation is the ideal width for such a border? J. D. T.

New York City
Answer: From a cultural standpoint a very wide border-say, 12 or even 15 feet-would be ideal for it would give you a chance to have a good succession of bloom throughout the season. Since that is out of the question on your plot, I should compromise by having two long borders, 10 or 11 feet wide, flanking a grass panel that could terminate in a wall fountain or some piece of garden statuary. A couple of large shrubs or very small trees could be planted at either side of the statuary.

## Asparagus

Question: I would appreciate knowing whether asparagus which has seeded itself and is growing wild about the place may be transplanted to a common bed. If so, when and how?
R. T. R.

Pittsford, N. Y.
Answer: The asparagus seedlings could be transplanted to a row in your vegetable garden early next spring. The soil should be very well prepared, with good drainage to carry off excess moisture. In heavy soils, the addition of some sand as well as humus in the (Continued on page 138)
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## OPEN HOUSE

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Other platters can be made of Smörgåsbord, Scandinavian style, herring salad, smoked fish, anchovies, sardines, caviar, shrimps with celery, olives and deviled eggs.

For gourmets, an assortment of cheeses, now that they're no longer rationed, is another pleasant idea. Arrange them on a big round platter or cheese board: a soft perfect Camembert, a fine Brie, Gruyere, Cheddar, Swiss, and Coon. Accompany them with tart apple slices, thin brown bread, rye or melba toast. Or you might fill a big silver bowl with a mixture of cream cheese, Worcestershire, mayonnaise, garlic and chives to pass with jumbo potato chips fresh from crisping in the oven.

With this kind of menu, a simple dessert is best: fresh fruit or a mixed compote of preserved fruit with plain angel cake.

For hungry teen-agers, bowls and trays heaped with apples, pears, tangerines, grapes and raisins, dates and figs fill the air with heavenly Christmassy smells and fill the gaps. Popcorn to pop and chestnuts to roast are fun for them, too. Cinnamon stick muddlers take well to mulled cider accompanied with honey cake or doughnuts, plain, sugared or cinnamon. Pitchers of cold milk and cokes shouldn't be forgotten either.

Comfortable, well-fed and contented, you and yours will undoubtedly usher Christmas out to the tune of a drowsy Christmas carol and the dying pop of the embers.

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row is advisable. Space plants 6 inches apart in rows 2 feet to 3 feet apart. Fertilize next spring at the rate of 4 or 5 lbs . of commercial fertilizer per 100 feet of row. While you can't expect a crop next year, you may be able to cut a little the year after.

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N. Y. C.

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## CHRISTMAS

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There, in a phenomenal upsurge of the human spirit, the foundations of western civilization were laid by a small people, poor in material things but in all else richer than any before or since; there the arts and fundamental sciences flowered in an austere beauty that is still our inspiration, and there, among the developers of systematic learning, were gardeners and botanists. Of these, Theophrastus stands easily the chief and, though viewed from the distance of twenty-two centuries, his is still one of the greatest names in horticulture.

Though long acclaimed the Father of Botany and confirmed in that traditional niche by Linnaeus, the greatest of catalogers, in recent times the attainments of this mighty builder of garden knowledge have not always received the recognition they merit.

Born about 372 в.c. on the island of Lesbos, or Mitylene, in the Aegean, Tyrtamus, as he was known in his youth, was the son of a fuller who must have been in a fair way of business since he was able to send the young man to the famous Academy of Plato at Athens. There he met the mighty Aristotle, his senior by 15 years, and established with him a close friendship. This continued when Aristotle established the Lyceum, known as the Peripatetic School from the fact that lectures and discussions were held while walking through the grounds of this first botanical garden.

In this world-renowned spot Theophrastus, the "divinely announced" as Aristotle renamed him, found his life's work. When the retirement of Aristotle became inevitable in 323 в.c., his pupils asked him to name his successor. There seemed little to choose between Theophrastus of Lesbos and Eudemus of Rhodes. A little later the master said, "This wine is rather harsh, bring me some other-say from Lesbos and Rhodes." The latter he pronounced excellent, but the Lesbian the better, and by this parable Theophrastus became head of the school for 35 years, until his death in 287 b.c. It grew mightily under his leadership, having as many as 2,000 students, and at the same time he was a prolific writer compiling 227 works on all sorts of topics in philosophy, science and general knowledge.

Little of this great output has come down to us, but we have his Inquiry into Plants and Causes of Plants, and it is on these that his title to horticultural eminence is securely based. Written succinctly and without waste of words, they bear evidence of a half century's observation and study in the Lyceum garden, botanizing expeditions (Continued on page 148)

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into the countryside, and conversations with returning travelers. It is true that they deal with only 500 plants but, instead of retailing the old superstitions and fables, they set forth a scientific analysis of plant anatomy and physiology with definitions and descriptions, the whole being of far more value in establishing the foundations of botany than vague accounts of ten times as many. For 17 centuries Theophrastus was the final authority on plants and today much of his terminology, many of his names, are familiar in the everyday language of the garden.

Far better known to the world at large than Theophrastus was a Roman in the first century of our era, who relied very greatly on him for his accounts of plants-Pliny the elder (so called to distinguish him from his nephew Pliny the younger, also a writer), public official and a most indefatigable student whose voluminous works include a Naturăl History in 37 books, an encyclopedia "learned and full of matter, and as varied as nature herself"-to quote his nephew.

It is indeed a remarkable literary effort, which may be read with pleasure to this day, particularly in the Elizabethan English translation of Philemon Holland, but it will be found entertaining rather than edifying, and in the horticultural section there are some unhappy errors in copying from Theophrastus-such as mistaking the radish varieties for turnips and listing them accordingly. But it is hardly to be expected that accuracy would be dominant in a compilation gathered, as Pliny says, from 2,000 books-not the handy books of modern publishers, but bulky rolls written in manuscript.

The wonder is how so much was accomplished by one man. His nephew records that Pliny would work until midnight or later, then be up at dawn and off to get his orders for the day from the Emperor Vespasian. Always he had his tablets in his hand to make notes, always he was writing or reading or being read to, even in his bath, and when a guest at dinner interrupted the reader for the occasion because of a mispronunciation, Pliny retorted, "You understood the meaning, didn't you? Why stop him then: we have lost the time it would have taken to read ten lines."

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Right: A clean, smokeless fire. Note check damper is closed, door holes open, ashpit draft door slightly open, flue damper adjusted to suit draft.

Order of firing in the alternate method is as follows:

Starting

1. Remove ashes from grate and pit. 2. Place coal in fire-pot; arrange it to
slope downward from rear to front of pot.
2. Place kindling on coal at bottom of slope.
3. Check damper should be closed; ashpit draft door should be slightly open. Holes in fire-door should be open.

## FIRING

1. Move scattered hot coals to rear of fire-pot.
2. Place fresh coal at Iow side of fire; if at front, pile up to fire-door level. 3. Holes in fire-door should be open.
3. When coal is needed again, repeat above operation, using opposite side of fire-pot for fresh coal.
4. When shaking down always keep several inches of ashes on the grate, according to the weather; in mild weather a heavier layer of ashes should be carried.

## banking

I. Fire coal same as above (never use ashes to bank fire)
2. Holes in fire-door should remain open.
3. Ashpit draft door should be closed; check damper, opened.
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the life of the arrangement. Essential tools for making Christmas decorations are pruning shears, scissors, pliers, a knife, twine and florist's wire.

Several years of experience have shown us that broadleaf evergreens and cryptomeria keep best as cut material. Berried shrubs and needle evergreens shed their leaves more quickly, with the exception of the yews, especially the Hicks Yew that holds up exceptionally well. All materials last longer if water can be supplied to the tops and stem ends by daily syringing and watering.

Interesting combinations are endless. Probably the most effective are made of one basic green with an accent of berries or some other contrasting material. For instance, sprigs of Rock Cotoneaster with a dash of pine lighten up a wreath of rhododendron or some other broadleaf evergreen.

The choice of material is partly limited by the size of the piece desired. A large wreath to decorate the front door can be made of heavy-textured rhododendron, American Holly, Mountain Laurel or pine. One of our handsomest wreaths was made entirely of cryptomeria with a few sprigs of holly berries. An unusual color combination consists of purplish-green leaves of Leucothoe and the orange berries of Laland Firethorn. Because their stiff-
ness lends bulk, spruces can be worked into sizeable wreaths or swags, though they are equally effective in small arrangements.

Cones used for decoration grade into the large ones of the White and Red Pines, the medium size ones of the Pitch and Swiss Stone Pines and the tiny ones of the hemlocks.

The small-leaved evergreen hollies make dainty pieces for the mantel or table top, as do the hemlocks, yews, firs and andromedas. A favorite small-scale material is the Japanese Holly, in its various varieties, accented with red berries or green heather. Or try as a centerpiece Waukegan Juniper, which by Christmas has assumed its striking winter lustre, with candles set in rosettes of Japanese Andromeda. The cool blue of a frosty night will be reflected in Blue Spruce fruited with silver and blue Christmas tree balls.

Our rolling two acres in Orange, Connecticut, make an ideal site for informal plantings. Beside the few tall ash and walnut trees existing on the sunny, upper property line we have grouped White, Red, Swiss Mountain and Limber Pines, Canadian and Carolina Hemlocks and Douglas Fir. These make a picturesque background for several Japanese Hollies, Holly Mahonia and Mugho Pine on the broad (Continued on page 159)

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bank that slopes down to the lawn. In large inter-spaces grow contrasting deciduous shrubs and small trees-crab apples, hawthorns, Bayberry, cotoneasters and photinias-some with interesting flowers, and all with berries in fall and winter. The long-lasting orange fruits of Laland Firethorn give beautiful color against the stone wall. A broad, irregular border of rock plants, spring-blooming bulbs and iris connects the planting and the lawn.

The planting about the house includes, besides Sargents and Japanese Flowering Crabapples, several evergreens, all of them shrub types except hemlock and Lobbs Cypress. We make exceptions here because these trees can be kept to scale with comparative ease. For an informal planting in a sunny spot, there are several low junipers and heathers.

On a neighboring property, shaded by giant oak trees, have been planted quite a different group of winter-inter est plants. Here rule the rhododen drons, the Mountain Laurel and other shrubs that prefer shade and soil that is rich in peatmoss or acid leafmold. Beside the giant native Rosebay Rhododendron grow smaller and earlierblooming hybrids. In openings in the woods and at the lawn's edge Drooping Leucothoe and andromedas edged with the evergreen Christmas Fern, Partridgeberry and other wildlings, face down the large evergreens. Feathery hemlocks give lightness and the red berries of Black-Alder, color contrast.

Some favorites for Christmas deco-
ration, with a résumé of their sizes and eulture, folon

## Needleleaf Evergreens

Veitch Fir (Abies veitchi)-tree to $80^{\prime}$; sun or semi-shade; sandy soil. Lobbs Cypress (Cryptomeria japonica lobbi)-tree to 80' (in New England it rarely exceeds $35^{\prime}$ and should be planted in a protected location); good loam.
Waukegan Juniper (Juniperus hori zontalis douglasi)-trailing shrub to 8'; sun; good loam.
White Spruce (Picea canadensis)tree to $70^{\prime}$; sun or semi-shade; sandy soil.
Limber Pine (Pinus flexilis)-tree to $50^{\prime}$; sun or semi-shade; good loam. Red Pine (Pinus resinosa)-tree to $70^{\circ}$; sun or semi-shade; sandy soil.
White Pine (Pinus strobus)-tree to $100^{\prime}$; sun or semi-shade; sandy soil. Hicks Yew (Taxus media hicksi)—upright shrub to 12 ; sun or semishade; loam.
Canadian Hemlock (Tsuga canaden-sis)-tree to $70^{\circ}$; sun or semi-shade; good loam.
Carolina Hemlock (T. caroliniana) -tree to $70^{\prime}$; sun or semi-shade; good loam.

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ceeds $5^{\prime}$ in New England); sun; good loam.
Japanese Holly (Ilex crenata) shrub to $20^{\prime}$; full or semi-shade; good loam.
Convexleaf Japanese Holly (I. c. convexa)-shrub to $20^{\prime}$; shade; loam.
American Holly (Ilex opaca)-tree to $50^{\prime}$; full or semi-shade; loam.
Mountain Laurel (Kalmia latifolia) -shrub to $15^{\prime}$; full or semi-shade; peaty loam soil.
Drooping Leucothoe (L. catesbaei) -shrub to 6 '; full or semi-shade; loam.
Holly Mahonia (M. aquifolium)shrub to $6^{\prime}$ (dies back in New England) ; full or semi-shade; loam.
Japanese Andromeda (Pieris japoni-ca)-shrub to $10^{\prime}$; full or semishade; peaty soil.
Rosebay Rhododendron (R. maximum) - shrub to $35^{\prime}$; full or semishade; peaty soil.

Berried and Colorful Shrubs
Scotch Heather (Calluna vulgaris)evergreen shrub to $3^{\prime}$; flowers white or red; sun; needs protection in north; peaty soil.
Rockspray Cotoneaster (C. horizon-talis)-semi-evergreen prostrate shrub to $3^{\prime}$; sun or part shade; loam. English Hawthorn (Crataegus oxya-cantha)-deciduous tree to $15^{\prime}$ with red fruits; sun; good loam.
Black-Alder or Winterberry (Ilex verticillata) -shrub to $10^{\prime}$ with red berries; sun; moist loam.
Bayberry (Myrica caroliniensis) -semi-evergreen shrub to 9 ; waxywhite berries; sun; good loam.
Heavenly Bamboo (Nandina domestica) - shrub to $8^{\prime}$ (usually not over $3^{\prime}$ in New England, where it needs protection) ; red berries; sun or semishade; moist loamy soil.
Oriental Photinia (P. villosa)-shrub or tree to 15 '; red fruits; sun; loam. Laland Firethorn (Pyracantha coc cinea lalandi)-semi-evergreen shrub to $20^{\prime}$; orange-red fruits; sun or semi-shade; good loam.

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