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## In this issue...



Mrs. Henry Parish II divides her year between a New York apartment (p. 131), a house in Old Wick, New Jersey, and Islesboro, Maine. She divides her day between her decorating business (see dining room, page 127) and her family-the Parishes have two daughters and one son.


Salvador Dali, who painted Princess Gourielli's murals (page 126), exhibited his latest canvases at the Bignou Gallery this winter. He has recently finished a book, Fifty Secrets of Magic Craftsmanship, to be published by Dial Press next fall, is currently composing an opera.


Thomas D. Church started as a lawyer (University of California), switched to landscape architecture (Harvard and American Academy in Rome), practices in the San Francisco Bay area (see pages 110-113). His work combines original planning, strict discipline and real elegance.


Fred Langhorst is in the habit of winning architectural competitions, sometimes in collaboration with his wife, Lois. His house for Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Ker (pages 120 to 124) received First Prize among the small houses in House \& Garden's Awards in Architecture for 1947.


Erik Bolin's forebears have for generations been art dealers and jewelers to the rulers of Sweden and Russia. The Bolins settled in California (pages 85, 86) at the outbreak of the last war. He is known as a designer of fine furniture, with a special flair for French Provincial.

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## Opposite:

In a living room:
French Provincial has the easy assurance
of its sturdy ancestors
other style . . . with Eighteenth-Century English, Victorian or modern. Chinese accessories are beautiful with it. The mellow colors of its woods harmonize with almost any color scheme, from the soft shades of old toiles de Jouy to bold modern palettes. It combines easily with many weaves and textures, too. You will see it on page 89 set off by a sculptured rug and a cork floor, on this page with a modern mirrored mantel. In the early 'Twenties French Provincial was first imported to this country by discriminating decorators who created an understanding of its qualities. Today (when it is difficult to find originals) French Provincial furniture is being copied with flair by our own American manufacturers. You can find it
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In a dining room:
French Provincial mixes
well with modern

In the dining room of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Marshall's house in the Berkshires, old pearwood chairs, sideboard and table are reflected in the Steuben glass mantel. Typically French Provincial is the repetition of the closely-patterned chintz in both curtains and upholstery.


In a bedroom: French Provincial is restful
In a bedroom of Mr. and Mrs. Erik Bolin's ranch in California's San Fernando Valley, an old French Provincial bed from Beaune is set under a dropped ceiling, edged by a hand-hewn beam, suggesting a niche. This follows French country-house tradition and adds intimacy. Note how the commode (a beautiful reproduction of an old one) balances the two prints above it to form a genre composition, agreeable in arrangement.


SHARLAND
In a kitchen: French Provincial works well
At a breakfast bar in the Erik Bolins' California kitchen, French Provincial is friendly yet functional. Arrangement was inspired by an old wine-tasting bar in the Pyrenees. Built-in walnut cupboard holds a Lowestoft china service. The high chairs with comfortable, tufted cushion seats and wood foot rests were designed by Mr. Bolin.

## Opposite:

In a library: French Provincial wears well
For the library of her Monterey, California house, decorator Frances A. Elkins brought carved blue bookcases, touched with gold, from the south of France. They stand against white walls, on a modern gray rug. The library steps are Eighteenth-Century English, the painting by Tamayo.


Opposite:
The mellow tones of French Provincial are enhanced by the subtle Parma violet of a large-scaled toile wallpaper, Chinese figurines, and a sculptured rug. Note how this period furniture blends with the modern cork floor, laid like parquet. Furniture by the Company of Master Craftsmen, at Rich's, Atlanta;
W \& J Sloane, San Francisco: John A. Colby, Chicago. Other stores on page 191

In a town living room . . .
Louis XVI boiserie, rich upholstery and fine accessories bring out the urbane qualities of French Provincial, prove how its native elegance fits it for life in town. You see it in a dignified, balanced arrangement, chairs facing each other. A pair of carved commodes flanks the sofa.

For prices and shopping information see page 189.

In a country living room . . .
French Provincial pieces lend themselves to casual arrangement, informal groupings. They are set off here by plants and mirrors.


KERTESZ



Covered with modern textured fabrics and shown against a Chinese screen, French Provincial takes on a new inflection


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## In a modern apartment

Attuned to modern design are the restrained scale, the simple, well-bred lines and the comfort of French Provincial furniture. In this living room, Eighteenth-Century commodes and armchairs frame a typically Twentieth-Century sofa and coffee table.

## Opposite

Fancy-free combination of modern colors and textures, set off by a Chinese screen. Result: a dining room with style and personality. Host chairs are by Oxford, Ltd., other furniture by

De Gaal \& Walker
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- In a bed-sitting room . .

A pelmet outlines the mirrored niche for a French Provincial dressing table. Moldings on double doors echo this theme and provide a becoming backdrop for the checked gingham modern chair and ottoman in this room.

PROVINCIAL
continued


In a country kitchen
Against a wallpaper which reproduces whitewashed brick to the life, French Provincial shows its farmhouse sturdiness. Checked gingham on the two armchairs is appropriately practical.


In a young girl's bedroom .
Fastidious attention to detail characterizes this room: the unpretentious but diverting blue-and-white wallpaper on one wall; the neat arrangement of beds in the niche; the ruffled cotton bedspreads and the sitting-room armchairs.


With Eighteenth-Century English furniture

## In a dining foyer . . .

Tiny flowers on a checked wallpaper, a fine old barometer and covered silver dishes, with a French Provincial commode and sidechair. Commode is used here as a sewing piece.


In a dressing room
A gracefully shaped chest stands on a contemporary, ribbed beige carpet, against a wallpaper reminiscent of a mediaeval French millefleurs tapestry.



KERTESZ
In league with Victorian decoration
The fundamental charm of French Provincial emerges here in the company of Victorian colors (mauve pink, mauve blue and lilac blue) Victorian wallpaper (nosegays and ribbons) Victorian furniture (small, ladylike sofa) and Victorian bibelots used as accents (mother-of-pearl and blue glass boxes).

For prices and shopping information see page 190.

## HOW TO RECOGNIZE

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## FURNITURE

THE country furniture which developed in France in the Eighteenth Century is distinguished by all the basic virtues that typify the French bourgeoisiethat consistent middle class which counter-balanced the effects of five revolutions in a hundred years. It has stability; it has an innate feeling of appropriateness; it reflects a conviction that the homely arts are the epitome of civilized living. The French call it mobilier rustique, which implies less crudeness than our word "rustic." We call it Provincial after the regions into which Eighteenth-Century France was divided not, as it is often believed, after Provence, which was only one of them. Nor is French Provincial a product of that effete interlude when courtiers and great ladies played at being shepherds and shepherdesses; on the contrary, its roots are solidly in the ground. The further removed from Paris, the more transformed its native character. Regions close to the capital, like the Ile-de-France and the Orléanais, are as conservative in this line as Brittany, Normandy and Alsace are original. French Provincial furniture evolved its own styles according to the native woods available, the tastes of its patrons and the talents and temperaments of its makers.

Two main factors contributed to this style. In the early Eighteenth Century, the middle classes had more wealth than ever before and, for the first time, could aspire to the kind of décor enjoyed by fashion-
able Paris. On the other hand, the small nobility, reacting against the extravagances and faveritism of the court, showed a tendency to retire to its own country estates. In rustic châteaux or farm manor houses, the fragile Parisian pieces (meubles de luxe) were clearly out of place. Another type of furniture had to be created, sturdy and serviceable for family use, yet graceful enough to cater to the amenities of life far from the capital. Provincial craftsmen tried out their skills on local materials. Instead of fine veneers inlaid in patterns, ornamentation was carved directly into the solid wood, generally in the form of simple paneling. Finished often with wax, the wood was prized in itself, a reaction against the painted and gilded styles of the Paris salons. Patterns of grain and good over-all proportions make the beauty of French Provincial furniture. Its charm lies in the fact that these pieces were part-and-parcel of country living, associated with the neat farms, the thatched, steepled villages, the peaceful rivers and rocky coasts which are the charm of France itself.

It was, however, the great French court furniture which provided the original models for its country cousins. The most popular type was the curving rococo of Louis XV, but in some localities such as Gascony and Burgundy, the designers looked to massive Louis XIII for inspiration. In Normandy the fine lines of Louis XVI were (Continued on page 181)

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ROUNDED FRONT IN AN OAK CORNER PIECE FROM THE REGION OF NANTES IVENDÉEI

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## GALICO COMEBACK

CLico is back. Gay, sturdy calico-the dress material of the pioneer woman-has been revived by Wishmaker House as a fabric for decorating use. The same cheerful practicality which made it a household word in our country's salad days will endear it to you now that we have come of age.

It can be obtained in ready-made items such as bedroom and closet ensembles, curtains, upholstered chairs and poufs, pillows, lamp shades, headboards, throws and comforters, as well as by the yard. And since "calico" has always been synonymous with "washable," the reversible headboard slip covers can be easily removed and easily tubbed. Two patterns are available in addition to three solid

A dash of shopping time, a smidgen

## of effort to install, and presto!

## you have your calico room or closet

Virtually everything you might want for your bedroom, dressing room and closet may be had in these Wishmaker calicoes. In the closet, right, are a jumbo garment bag, about $\$ 15$; a $42^{\prime \prime}$ blouse bag, $\$ 10$; four-drawer cabinet, $\$ 24$; storage box, $\$ 8$; hat box, $\$ 4$, as well as other boxes. Opposite, top, one of the chairs, approximately $\$ 53$, with a $15^{\prime \prime}$ round pillow, $\$ 5$; dressing table skirt, $\$ 19$, and pouf bench, $\$ 20$. In the sketch at lower left, opposite, the double bedspread is about $\$ 28$; pillow shams $\$ 6$ each; $23 / 4$ yard-long curtains shewn. $\$ 20$. Calico bought by the yard, printed or in solid colors, cost $\$ 1.50$.
colors. The patterns, a medium-size engraved wild rose called "Bombay" and a small geometric motif named "Calcutta," were discovered in the archives of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. They are printed in four color combinations: curry on sage, paprika on mustard or on cocoa, blue on tile. The designs are unaffected, neither too quaint nor too cute. You could use them successfully with American maple, French Provincial or forthright modern.

The calico ways and means you see opposite are available at The May Co., Los Angeles; Jordan Marsh in Boston; and Foley's in Houston, as well as in other stores which are listed on page 186 , where you will also find names of manufacturers.


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Town-wise, calicoes take readily to
more sophisticated decoration, lending
a gay summery look to city rooms.


"Old Paris," architectural in character, is ideal for use in a hall or study. Jones \& Erwin; $\$ 5$ the roll.
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"Tulipes," French paper, looks handpainted, will balance bright colors. Nancy McClelland; $\$ 15$ aroll.
"Guardsman Stripe," a washable fabric wall covering in pastels, perfect in a bathroom. Sanitas; $\$ 2.85$ a roll.


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"Yorkshire," a French documentary design, is executed in the new violet-blues. By York, about $\$ 1.20$ the roll.
"Victorian Flowers," a time-tried country motif on a new apri-cot-color ground. By Imperial; $\$ 1.00$ a roll.
"Campagna," a striking modern fret, sealbrown on natural color. Knoll Associates; $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, price $\$ 6$.

## New

Upholstery fabrics
"Coromandel," on a heavy linen, is by Marion Dorn. Arthur H. Lee \& Sons; $50^{\prime \prime}$, price $\$ 10.50$.
"Stampede" and "Cav. alcade," by Doris and Leslie Tillett, look hand-printed. Coving ton Fabrics; 48" $\$ 2.75$
"Maya," a Peruvian linen, has a bold geometric design on natural color. Morley Fletcher; 50 " wide, $\$ 9$.

Chinese printed satin has a design of formal figurines and plates. By ScalamandréSilks; $48^{\prime \prime}$ wide, price $\$ 15$.

"Westgate," sprigged with English nosegays, is all-cotton Everglaze. Morton Sun dour; $36^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 2$.


Plaid by June Groff in new dry-brush technique, modern color. By Glendale Fabrics; $54^{\prime \prime}, \$ 4.50$.
"Zoo," a fantasy of Central Park, in glazed chintz is for juvenile rooms. By Greeff; $36^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 3.70$.

"Meadowbrook" and "Meadowbrook Filler," twin designs by Vera.FromSchumacher; $36^{\prime \prime}, \$ 3.75$ and $\$ 3$.
"Lily of the Valley," printed on a spring. fresh, Everglaze gray stripe. Cyrus Clark; $36^{\prime \prime}$ wide, price $\$ 1.65$.

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## Summer furniture is

## NOW YEAR-ROUND FURNITURE

SUMMER FURNITURE used to winter in the potting shed or the cellar. Today, it is designed so prettily, made so comfortable that you will want to live with it outdoors and in, the year round. The great variety of its designs has a lot to do with its adaptability. Heavy "rusticity," always impractical and ugly, has disappeared. In its place you will find, on these and the next four pages, a gamut from stylized Victorian to suave modern. Lines are clean, details charming, construction sturdy without bulk. A distinguishing feature of today's summer furniture is its sprightly colors. Not only are the covers of seats and the materials of parasols bright and varied, the furniture itself is presented in decorator colors from pink to Charcoal Purple. In addition, some decorators will spray the exact shade you want onto the pieces you order. From the practical standpoint, this furniture is really comfortable. Cushions are springy, slung seats made so they support your back restfully. You will find, too, that some aluminum furniture is exceedingly light in weight so it can be moved readily. The glass-topped tables are infinitely useful. Small side-tables are excellent beside a chair to hold iced tea, a garden book. Larger, lower ones are fine for trays or for pienic paraphernalia.

For prices and shopping information see page 184.


V ictoriana for a formal garden or a patio

Direct descendant of Victorian wrought iron, this fanciful, elegant furniture is made of aluminum, lacquered white or half a dozen gay colors from Bermuda Blue to Creole Pink. By Bradley, Laurens \& Campbell. At J. L. Hudson, Detroit.

With sectional pieces (each one of which seats two) you can make a great arc of a sofa for your lawn or sunroom. Cushion seats are wonderfully comfortable, with sharp harlequin plaid. Large, low table completes the picture. You will find this Lee Woodard furniture at W \& J Sloane, Beverly Hills, California; Moore Furniture Co., Miami, Florida; and Marshall Field, Chicago.

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## FURNITURE

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Two chairs, a lacy, glass-topped table and an umbrella holder in one. A fringed umbrella shades this charming conversation piece of wrought iron by Gallo, Inc. At John Wanamaker, New York.

T RIM, TAILORED LINES, FINE VICTORIAN DETAIL

Pretty enough for bedroom or a beach house, this wrought-iron furniture can be taken apart for shipping to the country in spring, back to town in fall. Seats are in decorator colors. By Molla at Marc Antony, New Orleans.


A
v edwardian setting for dining
With its tapering legs, its tall, upholstered backs, this Lightfoot furniture is remarkable for its elegance. Jackson Furniture Co.. Oakland, California.


C
1OMFORTABLE CHAIRS FOR LAZY AFTERNOONS

The "tub" chair, with its flared back and its solid, circular base, is attractive in ash, made to resemble bamboo. Cushion seats and backs are an invitation to relax. These Ashcraft chairs by Heywood-Wakefield, would be at home in a study or on a terrace. At Jordan Marsh, Boston


W
EATHERPROOF AND DECORATIVE

You can leave this iron furniture with its Neva-Rust finish out-ofdoors the year round. The rubber-tired chaise is upholstered in two colors, its back can be set in five positions. Iron is finely wrought in fruit pattern, Salterini. Bloomingdale's, New York.


## F

Sectional sofa fits together to form as much of a circle as you like. This Simmons furniture, shown in white with whitepiped, red Goodall vinyl upholstery, is clearly modern. Edward J. Wormley designed the table and sofa. Lit Bros., Philadelphia

## FURNITURE

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D
ELICATE OUTLINES WORKED IN METAL

Fanciful scroll designs make these chairs and tables markedly graceful. Slip seats on chairs are covered with durable Fabrikoid in various colors. By LuJo Craft. Loveman, Joseph \& Loeb, Birmingham, Alabama.

For prices on furniture and accessories see page 184


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Cylindrical aluminum, chromium-plated, light as a breeze, bright as a new dime. Chaise rolls like a wheelbarrow; slip cover washable; back adjustable. Troy Sunshade Co. Rike-Kumler Co., Dayton.


A
ulin-one picnic setting
White painted metal table, with benches hinged for easy access. It folds for storing. Troy Sunshade. The White House, San Francisco.


The bamboo furniture, opposite, plus day bed and chair, as they might be used in a living room


N EW FASHION COLOR OUTDOORS: PERSIMMON COMBINED WITH NATURAL BAMBOO

Bamboo (which Chippendale simulated in Chinese fret chairs like the one at the right) has always had great style. Combined with Persimmon, it produces furniture as smart as it is practical. Folding tray table, tea cart, awninged chaise and low table for cocktails or buffet lunch, by Ficks Reed at Halle Bros., Cleveland. For complete list of stores, prices of furniture and accessories see page 186.


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"The Columbitice! fictl many a Flower Hath hunes more clear and bright, dlthough stee doth in presple go, In crumson: pinte. and white Why. wher so many fairer shwive Why choose the homely Columbine."
"Tis follys' flowert that tomely one That universal gucit Makesevery garden but a typue Of every human breast Tor though ye tend both mived anal borven: There's still a nook for Filly's flower"

## SOWING SEED

# Basic practices which start a plant toward healthy flowering and fruitful growth 

BY PATRICK J. McKENNA

WHEN you purchase or collect seeds, it is important to know which will reproduce the kind of plants you want. Fortunately, our country's efficient seed industry makes this simple. Seed from pure species come true to parent form. Of such are dogwood, many shade and evergreen trees and perennials like coreopsis, Alyssum saxatile and Veronica spicata. So, too, will all true varieties; all vegetables, grains and our flowering annuals such as zinnia, verbena, marigold, as well as perennials-pansies, hollyhocks, hardy poppies and the like. Important to the gardener, too, are the germinating (sprouting) properties of seed. These are affected by stage of ripeness, age of seed, treatment given in storage, as well as special peculiarities of certain kinds of seed. Some germinate best within a short time after ripening. These include most of our garden perennials, annuals and vegetables. Many Alpine seeds require a period of afterripening when harvested, as do some trees and shrub seeds. Seeds of these are subjected to chilling; usually by being buried outside during the winter. Some have hard seed coats and must be given a

## Opposite:

## HOUSE \& GARDEN'S PRINT NO. 5

## GARDEN PILGRIMAGES

April 9.11 Memphis, Tennessee: Spring Pilgrimage of the Memphis Garden Club
April 24-May 1 Virginia: Historic Garden Pilgrimage
April 24-May 3 Maryland: House and Garden Pilgrimage, Federated Garden Clubs
May 1 Dover, Delaware: Dover Day, The Dover Garden Club
May 6-9 Kentucky: Statewide Open House, The Federated Garden Clubs of Kentucky
May 8-9 Alexandria, Virginia: A tour of historic houses and gardens

## FLOWER SHOWS

March 27-April 11 Chicago, Illinois: 36th Annual Spring and Easter Show of the Park District

April 2-6 Chicago, Illinois: 22nd Annual Show, Garden Club of Illinois
June 12-13 Pasadena, California: The Annual Gladiolus Show, the Southern California Gladiolus Society
bath in hot water or sulphuric acid to break the hard coat. Temperature and climate affect germination. Various hardy annuals and vegetables, such as onions, spinach, beets, carrots, germinate better under cool conditions and are sown in spring, just as soon as it is possible to work the soil. But warm-season crops (corn, melons, beans, cucumbers) and flowering annuals (zinnias, marigolds) and other of the tender group, are sown when warm weather is well established. Air and moisture in relation to the mechanical condition of the soil also play a part. In waterlogged soil, all air is excluded and seeds rot, or if some germinate, the seedlings are poor, with hardly any roots. Very dry soil is equally unfavorable. The moment of germination is the most critical time, when lack of moisture is fatal. Soil should be fine and contain some nutrients near the surface for the young roots to reach. Clay or silty soils, although they will hold moisture, tend to pack and even to become waterlogged. Sandy soils lose moisture rapidly. In preparing for seeds, the surface areas can be improved by incorporating a little peat moss (Continued on page 201)

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## Old garden in new dress

First laid out informally 30 years ago, the garden of
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Keator at Hillsborough, California,
was remodeled by Thomas D. Church, landscape architect


Opposite:
A fallen live oak reaches across the path that rises by succeeding steps from entrance door (A on plan) to the rose garden at the rear. Ferns, azaleas and andromedas with cinerarias and begonias are massed under the tree.

## Left:

ALONG THE SCORPION PARTERRE (see plan) the beds are kept filled with seasonal color-mixed nemesia in March, followed by stock in summer, then
Mexican zinnias in autumn, with white and pink begonias for the winter.


AROUND THE FRONT DOOR. hanging baskets are filled with trailing fuchsias in spring and begonias in fall. Variegated ivy covers the iron pipe supports.



Ttis garden was remódeled from an older place. It had an informal, wandering-path design lined with boxwood hedges and filled with flower beds. After acquiring the property, the Keators wanted a layout that would be easier to maintain, with more lawn and fewer beds. Directly outside the entrance hall door there was a large fallen California live oak, resting on several branches but still growing and in good condition. It was largely hidden by shrubbery. The landscape architect's first problem was to feature this tree, and to create a vista from the door into the garden. This he accomplished gracefully, by building steps up and over one of the great branches which was on the ground: the branch forms the top step. This central path was carried out to the row of old Lombardy poplars. Beyond lies a formal rose garden with boxwood hedges salvaged from the old planting.

the dining terrace borders on a small herb garden-its geometric pattern reminiscent of an English Tudor garden-against a background of whitewashed brick walls. Clipped hawthorn (which you see back of the bath chair) forms an allée that leads to the Rheems' swimming pool.

## As they like it

Formal and informal garden sitting rooms for the Richard Rheems at Orinda, California



Garden figure, andromedas

## THOMAS D. CHURCH, landscape architect

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rheem's white-painted brick house at Orinda, California, looks out over the oak-studded, rolling hills east of Oakland. They form a friendly, pastoral and green backdrop to the gardens and terraces which Thomas D. Church has designed. The plan and planting take astute advantage of California's gentle climate. The Rheems can enjoy lazy, informal days beside their swimming pool. But in addition, and this is rarer in this part of the world, they can entertain more formally out-of-doors. A series of brick terraces and tidy brick walls, to some of which trees are espaliered in the French

Provincial manner, have the decorous charm of living rooms. These lend themselves ideally to arrangements of flowering shrubs in pots, to Victorian wrought-iron furniture and to such charming diversions as the figure of a young gardener, seen at the left. Nature is very much in hand in these gardens. They are altogether charming with a gaiety which is typical of the Italian gardens that border the blue waters of Lakes Como and Maggiore.

This California country is akin to Italy, so the Italian garden is a logical, happy inspiration for this series of garden sitting rooms.

the entrance of the house is framed by a small formal garden, punctuated by orange trees in tubs.


FROM THE FRONT DOOR, a brick path, edged with potted geraniums and pelargoniums, leads to the garden pavilion. Beyond the pavilion is the swimming pool.


THE PATH, top of page, seen at a different angle. At the right is a small rose garden, hedged round with boxwood; the pool is in the background


Circular flagstone terrace off the end of the living room is three steps down from the main terrace, under a grove of live oaks, overlooking a stream.

# Food for growing plants 

Liquid fertilizer and compost are ideal as soil conditioners

BY GEORGE GRAVES

THE fastest, safest and most economical way to get fertilizer into the body of a growing plant is with chemicals dissolved in water. Feeding for immediate effect this way can well be made a part of every gardener's routine, but only a part. It is a mistake to seize upon a single technique and to ignore all others.

Too often in recent years we have failed to see the problem of plant nutrition whole, even to the unfortunate point of condemning all chemical fertilizers. Now, however, as an outcome of the noisy argument over whether fertilizer should come from bags or from the barnyard, we realize that all plant foods, whatever their source and form, are important in gardening.

As we have known all along, the first plants on earth had to get their minerals from the raw elements of the earth's crust. Those that came along later had the original source plus the materials contained in the bodies of living things of years past. Essentially, the materials have the same source and are the same, no matter
in what manner they reach the roots of your plants.
The real argument is whether to think only of stimulating the immediate crop or to maintain and build up the soil till it is in "good heart," so succeeding crops will find growing conditions more and more favorable. The latter point of view has come to seem the right one and all soil preparation, plant feeding and soil conservation operations should point towards it.

Feeding growing plants with liquid fertilizers is only part of a much broader program. It does not in any way conflict with established ideas about building soil with organic materials. In fact, better results may be expected where the soil has been very carefully prepared before planting.

Two things seem to be important in the preparation of the land. First, if the soil is very sour, enough limestone should be added to bring the soil reaction up to the slightly sour condition which most vegetables and flowers require and at which the fertilizer will be most effective.

## How to mix and apply chemical fertilizer



Three tablespoons general fertilizer and one of lime to a gallon of water.


For a large supply, hang a bag of fertilizer and lime in a barrel.



A teacupful to a potted plant is sufficient feed.


The same cupful dosage is poured on each seedling.


Lusty perennial clumps are given a more generous dose by watering can.


1. Lay down roughage to make a good drainage base for the compost heap. Minimum width is five feet.

2. Water down each layer as dampness and warmth are needed to break down the various elements.

3. Tramp down each layer of leaves and garden trash. Then coat with earth to give further substance.

4. If drought comes, punch holes to bottom with a crowbar and water. Leave hollow in top to catch rain.

5. Sprinkle fertilizer or ground limestone over each layer of leaves and earth to speed decomposition.

6. After three months, turn the heap over by slicing down the layers, re-piling the half-rotted mixture

The gardener who is interested in economy of fertilizer can, therefore, start by giving careful attention to proper liming. If in doubt as to the proper amount of ground limestone or wood-ashes to apply, he has recourse to the soil-testing service offered by public agencies. In dealing with the liming problem, consider the condition of the subsoil rather than merely the top two or three inches. Deep liming will promote deep rooting.

The second essential is organic matter. The timehonored way of returning organic matter to the soil is to dig in barnyard manure, particularly that which has been properly treated and does not contain too much fresh, strawy litter. Manuring, still one of the soundest practices, is almost impossible in urban areas. However, the compost pile is an excellent substitute for the barnyard because properly rotted compost has all of the qualities of stable manure. Digging in cover crops and turning in green-plant waste can also help to replace some of the organic content which is constantly being lost. Such replacement is necessary to maintain the moisture-holding properties of the soil, promote soil aeration, prevent wide fluctuations in acidity and alkalinity and add plant nutrients which are essential.

7. After six months, screen the pile. Compost is ready for digging in. Save roughage for a new pile.

With the organic content of the soil reasonably high and with lime and perhaps superphosphate, or even dry complete fertilizer, worked in fairly deep, conditions are right for the effective use of liquid fertilizer as a direct means of feeding growing plants. Liquid fertilizers fit into the gardening program in a number of ways. One period of usefulness is during the time of spring planting while the soil is still cool and the roots of the newly-set plants have yet to tap the fertility of the soil. Liquid fertilizers are called starter solutions when they are applied to seeds at the time of sowing. They are also used as transplanting solutions when poured over the roots of plants in the process of being transplanted to their permanent place.

While it is true that liquid fertilizers can be made up by dissolving a number of different materials, care must be taken not to soak plant roots with a very sour solution. This is something to check on when preparing or buying a mixture to be used as a starter. Also, unbalanced liquids or liquids high in certain forms of nitrogen must be used with care as starters. Experience shows that the manure water of traditional horticulture is not the best type for this. (Continued on page 205)


Above: seen from the entrance drive, the slope of the roof and low eaves relate the lines of the house to those of the land.
Below: the house spreads along the top of a bluff which drops steeply. The two main wings converge on breezeway, center.



A 300 -acre stock farm near louisville

## New Kentucky Home

Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Johnson, of Louisville, didn't want to run counter to Kentucky tradition, but they did want a house which would suit them and their style of living. Their house, unassuming in appearance, is up to the minute in plan and equipment

Designed by JAMES KELLUM SMITH of McKim, Mead \& White

When the Harold F. Johnsons decided to build a house near Louisville, they felt it should be in harmony not only with the countryside, but with their way of living. They told their architect, James Kellum Smith of McKim, Mead \& White, that they wanted their house to catch prevailing breezes in hot summer months, enjoy the view up the Ohio Valley although it is a northern exposure. They also wanted the wings zoned so they could be shut off when not in use. Their predilections, rather than any


WEST PORCH stays comfortable six months of year. On chilly days, sliding glass doors or folding shutters of gallery temper the wind. Screen panels are shown in place. Door leads to entrance hall.
historical precedent, shaped the house shown on these four pages. It spreads out on a high bluff above valley farmlands. An open gallery, flanked by terrace and lawn, connects two wings through which river breezes funnel. Glass doors and louvered shutters offer protection from unwelcome winds. Eighteenth-Century Kentucky houses had similar breezeways which were known as "dog-trot porches" because they were always crowded with hounds on rainy days. U-shaped service court is also traditionally southern.


EAST TERRACE faces the edge of a bluff which slopes down to the lowland farms and the river. Sliding walls of the gallery (foreground) roll back on floor and ceiling tracks to admit breezes.


THE GALLERY, the favorite room of the house, opens east and west as a breezeway. Kentuckians call it the "dog-trot" becanse it re minds them of the open porches which connected the wings of early Kentucky houses and formed a rainy-day haven for numerous hunting dogs. Natural redwood walls rise above the low line of the eaves, continue as vaulted ceiling into the roof space for extra height, airiness.



LIBRARY (above and left) is near the master bedrooms and serves as sitting room when the north wing is closed off. Walls are covered with leather. The desk, built to Mrs. Johnson's design, faces the terrace, which is a continuation of brick-paved gallery, top

## Sections of this house can be closed off when not in use

## THE PLAN, right

Major rooms wing out east and west to secure northern river view. Desire for sunlight accounts for irregular, stepped outline of plan. House divides into four areas: master and service wing south of gallery; to the north, guest facilities and an apartment for a grown daughter. Heating is zoned to operate independently in the four areas. Flower and game rooms fit under the master wing. BUILDING DATA
architects: James Kellum Smith of McKim, Mead \& White in association with D. X. Murphy \& Bros.
Foundation: Concrete or concrete block with brick used above the grade. exterior walls: Frame, redwood vertical siding and battens.
roof: Asbestos shingles-Johns-Manville Corp.; copper flashing.
insulation: Mineral wool-JohnsManville Corp.; batts in walls, loose fill in ceilings.
DOors: Roddis Lumber \& Veneer Co. windows: Steel casements-Detroit Steel Products Co.; wood horizontal gliding sash-Andersen Corp. class: Double strength " A " quality. interior walls: Plaster; libraryleather; gallery-redwood.
ceilings: Plaster; gallery-redwood. floors: Hardwood throughout; linoleum in kitchen, pantry and baths. hardware: Grant Pulley \& Hardware Co. Ostrander \& Eshleman, Inc. lighting fixtures: Lightolier Co. heating system: Oil-forced hot air; radiant heating in some floor areas. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American Radiator \& Standard Sanitary Corp.



MAIN LIVING ROOM is used largely for entertaining. Furniture here, as in the rest of the house, shows a felicitous blending of modern and old French, English and Spanish pieces. Fireside chairs and lacquered table are by Robsjohn-Gibbings. Fireplace is faced with marble.


SMALL LIVING ROOM has three exposures for the sun and a view of the Ohio River. It forms part of the master wing which also includes a bedroom, bath and kitchenette. The Empire day bed, recessed in a view window, is from the Johnsons' collection of French antiques.

# A small house that acts large 


#### Abstract

This small house combines two virtues: the outside is snug and hospitable because of the low sheltering roof and the close link between house and setting; interiors are expansive and warm in their open relationship to the outdoors


DR. AND MRS. ALEXANDER KER, owners; FRED LANGHORST, architect

THIS house is news, a fact which may not be noisily apparent because it speaks modestly of a new, informal pattern of living. It is so completely in tune with its owners' tastes and the surroundings, that you are hardly aware of its individual merits. In the House \& Garden Awards in Architecture for 1947, the jury gave this California house, by architect Fred Langhorst, first prize in the classification of houses under 1800 square feet. We believe it is one of the best-planned small houses built since the war. See page 172 for announcement of other prize-winners.

Low and sheltering on the outside, it seems spacious and airy inside. The plan is an excellent solution to the baffling problem presented by a long, narrow plot where the best exposure
is on the longest side. By lining up the long storage wall (under clerestory windows in plan) with the north boundary, the maximum width toward the south is opened to view, garden and terrace. Each of the three sections of the house has its own outdoor area: the bedroom-an enclosed garden; the study-guest room and living room-a pergola-covered terrace; the shop and kitchen-a service yard. Dr. and Mrs. Ker were faced with the all-too-familiar problems of no domestic help and the need for economy. They decided to live simply, but retain a protective degree of formality. Dr. Ker likes to make scale models; Mrs. Ker enjoys gardening. Although the house is small for easy upkeep, neither of these hobbies was forgotten in the final plan.

## The house is shaped to the contour of its setting



ENTRANCE WALK FROM FRONT DOOR


BEDROOM OPENS ON A SMALL PRIVATE GARDEN

THE HOUSE hugs the edge of a long, narrow site, a flat shelf which varies in width and cuts into the brow of a hill. The widest portion, opposite the living room, is a terrace facing the south view. Narrow at the service yard to clear an existing shade tree, the ledge widens to form a turn-around space in front of the car shelter. The entrance walk is between the steep bank and the service wing, away from the outdoor living areas. It is protected from erosion by a raised flower bed of $3^{\prime}$ redwood boards. A long narrow extension of the garage roof covers the walk and is supported by beams like flying buttresses which continue into the bank and create an intimate structural relation with the hillside.

sturtevant
THE TERRACE is shaded by a pergola. Its unusual shape is the result of bending the house to the curve of the bank. It angles into a view of rugged and beautiful country north of San Francisco in Marin County. The low roof slants parallel to the slope of the hill. From the high hill, or from below, the house seems to grow out of its setting.


## Lighting is effectively used

to increase the illusion

## of spaciousness

## in this small house

indirect lighting is built in at three points of the main living area, as numbered in the picture, opposite. Corresponding cross-section drawings, right, show how they operate. 1. The transition from living room to dining and entrance areas is marked by a dropped ceiling which extends as a glass light shelf. 2. Spotlights in the top of dining cabinet reflect into dining room and entrance hall, or may be adjusted to flood dining room ceiling. 3 . Glass light shelf runs the length of north wall, lights picture wall below it, reflects from ceiling.

## BUILDING DATA

contractors: Herbert Crocker \& Sons. exterior walls: $1^{\prime \prime}$ x $4^{\prime \prime}$ vertical tongue \& groove redwood siding; masonry. roof: Tar and crushed white Sonoma stone gravel-Paraffine Companies, Inc. insulation: $2^{\prime \prime}$ blanket type mineral wool in ceilings-U. S. Gypsum Co. windows: Vincent Whitney Company. DOORS: Douglas fir and sugar pine. glass: Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. interior walls: Standard $1 / 2$ " composition board-U. S. Gypsum Co. and $1^{\prime \prime}$ x 4" vertical redwood siding. Shower
walls- $1 / 3^{\prime \prime}$ Johns-Manville Corp. asbestos cement board.
ceilings: Standard $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ composition board -U. S. Gypsum Co.
floors: Linoleum in kitchen, bathroom and shop-Armstrong Cork Co. Study -Portland cement.
hardware: Vincent Whitney Co., Schlage Lock Co. Grant Pulley \& Hardware Co. heating system: Gas-fired warm air with cold air returns from each room in tile ducts under concrete floor slab. Furnace equipped with spun-glass filters for the removal of $95 \%$ of pollen and dust. water heater: Ruud Manufacturing Co. CONTROLS: Thermostatic-MinneapolisHoneywell Regulator Co.
plumbing fixtures: American Radiator \& Standard Sanitary Corp.
Kitchen equipment: Range, refrigerator -Hotpoint, Inc.
Fan-Pryne \& Co., Inc.
Washing machine-Bendix Home Appliances, Inc.


1 ceiling light shelf


2 concealed spotlights 3 wall light shelf

4. FIREPLACE is angled so you can see it from all parts of the room. Raised stone ledges eliminate andirons. The long ledge, at right, projects into the room as an informal seat near fire. Study fireplace, back of this wall, shares the same chimney.


LIVING ROOM ceiling follows slope of roof for greater height and airiness. Cabinet-partition be-
tween dining and entrance areas is open at the top to suggest an uninterrupted flow of space. Passage to bedroom and study-guest room is routed along north storage wall which doubles as picture gallery.


THE PULLMAN-TYPE KITCHEN-LAUNDRY adjoins the shop for Dr. Ker's power tools. A wide doorway permits the two workrooms to be opened to each other. Built-in ironing board has fireproof compartment for a hot iron.


DINING ROOM opens to living room at a wide angle, but without awkwardness or cutting-up floor space. Glass walls jut into pergola-shaded terrace where the Kers serve summer meals. Outside lighting is flush with eaves.

## THE HAND IS MASTER

## Despite machine processes, it is still

the skilled hand of the silversmith that imparts perfection to your sterling

Iv this mechanized age, sterling silver takes on added luster when you reflect that it is still largely the product of the hand. Once the pieces have been formed and patterned by the presses, it is the craftsman who makes them what you want to own. He gives to the fork its points sharp enough to pierce food yet not stab you. He is responsible for the smooth beveled edge of the spoon, and for the highly critical operation of assembling the knife blade and its handle. Bas-relief details and the soft antiqued appearance are likewise the work of the artisan. Some patterns require as many as 70 hand operations. In the inspection room, you probably could not see the tiny flaws for which a piece is rejected; the trained

important part in the formation of a piece before it arrives at the presses. The design is first realized in handmade models in order to test it before production begins. Then, expert die-makers labor long to perfect the shape and pattern the dies. Because of this cautious preliminary work, a new sterling flatware pattern may cost the silversmith a minimum of $\$ 15,000$ to $\$ 25,000$; it can cost as much as $\$ 100,000$ before a single piece reaches your table. But it is worth it. A fine silver object is a work of art. If you have a sterling piece, such as a bowl made of assembled parts, take it up and look at the perfection with which the bowl has been joined to its foot. A master silversmith, working with a stick of silver solder, an incandescent green flame roaring out of a blow torch, and the bowl parts heated to a cherryred, has executed an esthetically satisfying juncture that cannot be duplicated by any existing machine.

## Opposite:

Open season for patio parties. Table ( $\$ 600$ ) armchair ( $\$ 78$ ) side chair ( $\$ 67$ ) by Molla at John M. Smyth \& Co., Chicago. Wedgwood lunch plates and cups-andsaucers ( $\$ 45$ a dozen, respectively) at Neiman-Marcus, Dallas. Imperial goblets, wine glasses and finger bowls, each ( $\$ 12$ a dozen) H. \& S. Pogue Co., Cincinnati. Gorham sterling ( $\$ 23$ including tax for a six-piece place setting) Black, Starr \& Gorham. Sixteen-piece Madeira mat and napkin set (\$195) Léron. French ruby glass epergne (\$450) Mrs. Kaye Belmont. English cranberry glasses and plates ( $\$ 5$ each) Iran Importing Co. Decanters in holder ( $\$ 175$ incl, tax) Plummer, Ltd.



## Designed for DINING

## More than the menu, decoration keys the mood of any meal

EACH of the dining rooms on these pages is calculated by its decoration to start a good flow of conversation. Each reflects its owner's taste. Princess Gourielli's dining room is dramatic with murals by Salvador Dali; Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Rockefeller's is patterned with feathery ferns; the Wilmarth Lewises collect Eighteenth-Century English flower paintings; the Kent Leavitts like Mexican color; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Markey enjoy Early Americana; Mr. King Vidor displays pewter in picture windows; Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Breck's dining room is framed by a city garden; Mr. Joseph Alsop, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. Tinsley Garnett and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parish II favor Chinese backgrounds.


Keyed to FOLIAGE
In the Winthrop Rockefellers' New York apartment, cibotium ferns are reflected in a niche lined with antique glass and in the mirror panels of a white and gold screen. Candelabra are Waterford

## Opposite:

 crystal. Mrs. Henry Parish II was the decorator; the Florence Clarke Studios designed the furniture.
## Keyed to a DALI MURAL

One of three panels (Morning, Noon and Night) painted specially by
Salvador Dali for Princess Gourielli's dining room. Pieces from her American glass collection are set on an embroidered organdy cloth.

## Personal taste is the chief ingredient



Keyed to FLOWER PAINTINGS
Mr. and Mrs. Wilmarth Lewis' dining room at Farmington, Connecticut, is distinguished by twenty rare old English paintings of flowers. In perfect harmony is the fine Eighteenth-Century English Sheraton furniture.


Keyed to EARLY AMERICANA
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Markey (she is Myrna Loy) have a California dining room accenting pewter and pine, with a background of white wallpaper, patterned and bordered in blue and mulberry. Avery Rennick was architect-decorator.


Keyed to a MEXICAN MOTIF
Mr. and Mrs. Kent Leavitt's farm at Millbrook, New York, looks out on rolling hills. Gay red Mexican chairs are drawn up to a marbleized table, at each end of which are red-and-white bird cages filled with growing plants.


## Keyed to FRENCH PROVINCIAL

Mr. King Vidor's Beverly Hills dining room extends onto a screened porch. Its colors (blue, white, red) are appropriate with French Provincial furniture. He uses glass window shelves to silhouette a collection of pewter.


Keyed to a LATTICED GARDEN
Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Breck's New York dining room contrasts a boldly patterned floor with the delicacy
of a bleached Coromandel screen. The garden is terraced up to a lattice fence to hide neighboring houses

## Spiced with Chinoiserie



Keyed to CHINESE BRONZES
In the Washington dining room of columnist Joseph W. Alsop, Jr., sky-blue felt is used to cover walls and for draperies. Hepplewhite lyre-backed chairs are set off by massive Chou bronzes. Floor is tiled in black, glass curtains are beige, woodwork and sideboard are painted white.


Keyed to a CHINESE WALLPAPER
The wedding procession on the hand-painted wallpaper in Mr. and Mrs. G. Tinsley Garnett's Washington dining room is off-white with blue-green touches. A wall of mirror extends the effect. Bleached furniture, covered in white leather, and a beige rug carry out the color scheme.

## (Opposite) Keyed to CHINESE PANELS

The soft, faded colors of old Chinese panels, a high Victorian over-mantel painted oyster-white, English mahogany and leaf-shaped Leeds plates give the big square living-dining room of Mr . and Mrs. Henry Parish II an atmosphere of quiet distinction. Chippendale chairs are covered in chintz.


## The Case of

## the Turquoise Refrigerator

WHITE has long been the color to which kitchen equipment has been consigned. But now, thanks to House \& Garden, Cox Kitchens and W \& J Sloane, you can color your equipment to suit your fancy. All this excitement began when House \& Garden polled the nation's housekeepers (through the Rahr Color Count) about their kitchen color preferences. It developed that many of these ladies wanted colored refrigerators and ranges to go with colored cabinets, and since the kitchen is a room in which they spend much of their time, House \& Garden decided to see what could be done about giving them a change of fare. You can judge the results for yourself on these two pages. If you like them, you need only visit Sloane's, where you can order a refrigerator, range or cabinets in any color you please. Experience has taught us that although certain die-hards will cry "perish the thought," many women will be attracted to this new trend. The turquoise refrigerator may startle you at first, like the family nurse in evening dress; but you might as well get used to it. Color is going to invade every section of your home.




Cabinets can be colored to match . . .


THIS COX KITCHEN IS TURQUOISE BELOW, BANANA YELLOW ABOVE: AT W \& J SLOANE, NEW YORK


## A kitchen colored

## like a living room

The new freedom which colored kitchen equipment permits must be used wisely. These pieces are permanent, so you must ponder longer over them than over paint or upholstery. At left, we show you the possibilities of a simple contrast: yellow top cabinets highlight trim white working fixtures below. Opposite, the scheme reversed: turquoise is used below; white above gives a sense of space.

For information on prices, accessories and equipment, turn to page 188.

## News for you

## House \& Garden brings you highlights

from recent furniture showings

at Grand Rapids and Chicago

TTwice a year, leading furniture manufacturers hold showings of new collections at Grand Rapids and Chicago, and twice a year the editors of House \& Garden travel west to make their selections for you. This spring there was a noticeable burgeoning of individuality-no broad main trend, but more pieces with real character. Modern is more substantial in form, freer of affectations. Efficiency is cropping up in traditional pieces. Upholstered furniture is being scaled down for smaller rooms, but without a pinched or cut-down look. Everyone is making tables with double or triple uses. Niceties such as inlays, marquetry, better hardware, are back again. Prices are up slightly, but there are compensations in the conspicuous improvement in quality. On these four pages, a scrapbook of finds from the collections.

## Trend: versatile cocktail tables



Snack tables are the modular units from which you can assemble cocktail or buffet supper tables of any convenient shape. Their tooled leather tops are $20^{\prime \prime}$ square. Imperial.
 Convertible table can be swung instantly from cocktail height to dining level. It is oak. Sturdily built. Morgan.


Glass top of cocktail table, above, revolves around center well. Four oak tables nest underneath it. Romweber.

Oak card table and coffee table in one, above, saves space. Its $30^{\prime \prime}$ top slides at right angles to a $17^{\prime \prime}$ or $28^{\prime \prime}$ height. Grand Rapids Bookease \& Chair Co.


Chippendale theme, left. Lift the upper leaf, pivot the top and you have doubled its size to a $40^{\prime \prime}$ square. Made in mahogany by Ferguson.

## Trend: planned storage space



Regency commode with well-engineered interior. All shelves are adjustable and removable. Right-hand cupboard holds small sliding tray and partitions for serving trays. Drop-front drawer acts as an extra shelf. By Old Colony Furniture Company.


Pine chest, top, above, is Colonial without, modern within, comes (1) fitted for radio and records; (2) equipped for use as a bar; or (3) as a dining room serving cabinet. By Habitant.


Breakfront provides unusually generous storage space. Its three open shelves can be adjusted to any one of four heights. Mahogany in butternut-tone finish. Tomlinson.


Catch-all corner table, above, has large partitioned space for storing at right; a copper-lined, plant compartment; another for odds and ends; and a deep drawer under the glass-topped magazine shelf at left. The piece, $34^{\prime \prime}$ by $54^{\prime \prime}$, is oak; will soon be made as two units. Herman Miller Furniture Comany.

Telephone table, Sheraton-inspired, has a compartment complete with message cards in hinged lid. At the right, end compartment holds three telephone books. Hanson Clocks.

## Trend: comfort for contemporary rooms



Sectional sofa, above, shows one of many ways you can combine straight and curved love seats and unit chairs. Valentine-Seaver.


Low-backed, miniature wing chair, above, is a find for a small dressing room or to use at the foot of a bed. Carlton-Surrey.

Tufted 84" sofa, above, to use in pairs along a wall or flanking a fireplace; it can also serve as a bed. S. J. Campbell.


Chair and sofa combine comfort with clean lines. The cushioning is rubber on spring construction base. Jack L. Glabman.


English lounge sofa has deep comfort in its down and spring construction, yet is not too large. The back cushions have covers zippered for airing. Karpen.

## Trend: tables for easy entertaining



Serving wagon can be used for breakfast for two, when its semicircular leaves are up, or for buffet suppers. Center section is glass; two extra trays on lower shelf are made of molded plywood, as is the frame. Dunbar.


Lazy Susan table now made in lower, cocktail height, serves as a practical party table. The diameter is $60^{\prime \prime}$, the turntable $30^{\prime \prime}$. Pine Shops.


Party Butler appears now in a lower, cocktail height. You see it above opened to its full $89^{\prime \prime}$. Folded, its top measures $21^{\prime \prime}$ by $30^{\prime \prime}$. In blond or dark mahogany. By Baker.


Butler serving table can be rolled with ease wherever you wish, or folded up for storage. It is made in mahogany or in black lacquer with Chinese decorative motifs. Union-National.

## Trend: indoor-outdoor interchangeability



Ash tub chair has informal look of bamboo. Well-tailored, comfortable upholstery gives a trig appearance. Heywood-Wakefield.


Wrought-iron dining group in greenglazed gray finish has finely modeled pomegranate motif. Table: $34^{\prime \prime} \times 60^{\prime \prime}$. Lightfoot.


Detachable parasol gives piquancy as well as welcome shade to a wrought iron chaise longue, mobile on wheels. Woodard.

## Trend: room-to-room adaptability

Dining group, below, has a china cabi-
 net with a demountable top which can be used independently as a living room bookcase. Company of Master Craftsmen.



French Provincial server, designed primarily for the dining room, would be equally useful in bedroom, hall or dressing room. Indianapolis Chair Co.


Chest and chair of curly maple in Chalcedony finish. Drawers, graduated to hold silver and linen, would also keep ties, handkerchiefs, etc., in order. Tapp, Inc.

## Spot news . . .



Plant-and-book stand is copied from a graceful and useful Eighteenth-Century English mahogany piece. By Baker.


Hamper of heavy Carrara glass designed to hold a large laundry bag. By H. H. Turchin.


Miniature glider for children seats four youngsters at once, takes up only $26^{\prime \prime} \times 54^{\prime \prime}$ of your lawn. Goshen.


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Good landscaping helps the lines of this Long Island house

# COUNTRY HOUSE FOR ONE 

In literature, bachelors are always found in sleek town apartments. In reality, they often lead homespun lives in the country. The owner of this house made over the gardener's cottage on a Long Island estate and achieved a very snug domain indeed. It gives him ample opportunity for gardening: a flower garden in summer, a greenhouse in winter. He has his own apartment of pleasantly furnished rooms on the first floor, plus plenty of bedrooms upstairs where he can put up week-end guests. In short, here is that rare object, a country retreat large enough to be comfortable with guests, small enough for a man alone. The house has acquired its present character gradually, with minor changes and improvements carried out through the years. The plan below shows that the kitchen is the largest room in the house (as old farmhouse kitchens almost invariably were). Today, there is a trend back to such comfortably-sized kitchens, above all in the country where they are frequently a center of informal, household activity.

Owner's apartment on the ground floor of this house includes man-size kitchen and greenhouse.

Second floor has five bedrooms, two baths, which give the owner space for house guests.


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# THE HISTORY OF WEDGWOOD 

America will see a retrospective
exhibition of this classic ware

Commemorative vase made for Queen Mary.

When crop failures in Eighteenth-Century England precipitated a severe flour shortage, Wedgwood began to make serving pieces with a piecrust border to compensate for lack of pastry. When Napoleon moved into an ivy-grown house on Elba, he ordered a service to match it-the celebrated Ivy Pattern which, until today, has remained one of the most popular traditional Wedgwood designs. These are only two of the 500 -odd exhibits in the show of Wedgwood ceramics and Wedgwood mementos which will open shortly at the Brooklyn Museum and which will subsequently tour the country. Far from being limited to the familiar classic vases ornamented with cameo-pure white figures, the show encompasses the whole history of English ceramics. It begins with the crude ware which Staffordshire potters fired from their local clay in 1612, the year when Gilbert Wedgwood is first recorded in the craft. An experimenting family, his descendants soon devised new products such as Egyptian Black and the marbled and tortoise-shell wares. By 1765 Josiah Wedgwood was catering to royalty and capitalizing on it by naming the ware which Queen Charlotte favored "Queen's Ware." Soon after, he created for Catherine the Great a set of 952 pieces, each bearing a view of a different stately home of England. Josiah's masterpiece, however. was the Portland Vase, endorsed by the painter, Sir Joshua Reynolds, as "a correct and faithful copy" of a famous original excavated in Rome.


Compotier from a 952 -piece service painted with 1,244 historic English castles which was made in 1774 for Catherine the Great. On view at the Brooklyn Museum.


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## MARCEL VERTĖS

$\mathrm{B}_{\text {Ecause he has mastered the difficult art of treating wall space, Marcel }}$ Vertès is greatly in demand as a muralist. His latest commission was to decorate the private show-room of the new Associated American Artists Galleries in Beverly Hills, California: This small room, about 12 by 12 feet, appears spacious thanks to Mr. Vertès' knowledge of techniques that were popular with the Eighteenth-Century decorators. He incorporates existing architecture and even furniture into the mural, carrying the design up onto the ceiling and giving space illusion by painting a trompe loeil window (see cover). An experienced fabric designer, Mr. Vertès created the lively chintz shown below. His engaging fancies have also been printed on a three-ply screen. Faithful reproduction gives them the authority of original works of art.


## Above

"caprice" wallpaper panels designed by Vertès are a vailable with a pink or blue background Katzenbach \& Warren, $\$ 150$ for a set of 3 .

Left
"pastoral" chintz by Vertès, printed in pale colors on chocolate or on a gray and chartreuse scheme. $\$ 9.75$ a yard from Schumacher.


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## Right: sacrifice by

 Jacques Lipchitz is one of his latest bronzes, now shown at the Buchholz Gallery. Below: Horse by Hoffman, at the American British.

## ART ABOUT TOWN



A roundup of new exhibitions

IN a society based on the idea of individual freedom such as ours, artists are free to do whatever they want to. And they do. The public, on the other hand, is free to accept or reject what the artists create. And it does. One would think such an arrangement would make everybody happy. It doesn't. And it makes a great many people professionally concerned with art extremely angry. It often confuses the layman. Unless he is one fired with a burning desire to understand the current artistic scene, which from any point of view looks like a free-for-all, he is apt to fall back on the "I know what I like" attitude. Perhaps that is not a bad idea. In times like these, when even the critics can't agree on standards, perhaps it is the only attitude for the layman to take. To know what you like is no puny achievement. But remember one thing: you may be capable of liking more than you suspect. Every time you come to grips with, and get something out of, a new work of art, you are that much enriched in visual experience, and it is only through experience that our personalities develop. Then it can be said of you, as it is of a certain cigarette, (Continued on page 146)

love's regatta is by Usellini, an Italian primitive whose quietly fantastic paintings Julien Levy has brought to America and is currently exhibiting at his gallery.



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## ART ABOUT TOWN

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that "something new has been added." While you are at it, try adding the following:

THE SCULPTURE OF JACQUES LIPCHITZ

EARLY and recent work by this French sculptor, who now works in New York, can be seen at the Buchholz Gallery in April. The early pieces, carvings done between 1917 and 1928, are cubist. They were executed during those years when everybody was excited over Picasso's discovery that the human figure can be painted as though seen from several points of view at the same time. Lipchitz did the same thing in sculpture, radically simplifying his figures until they became monolithic, achieving a classic serenity. Later, however, under the influence of surrealism, he developed a freer, romantic style, the one he is using today. The concept behind it is poetic, anthropomorphic; the expression is vigorous, sometimes even crude. Thick, lumpy forms twist and undulate, suggesting at the same time objects both animate and inanimate. What looks at first like a plant seems at second glance to be a candelabrum; later you observe that the candelabrum is composed of human arms. In a small bronze entitled "Sacrifice," a rooster is being stabbed by a figure which you assume is human until you notice its bird-like nose. These sculptures seem to be constantly metamorphosing, as though they were carrying out a process only begun by the artist. Once seen, they compel your attention, like it or not; for they possess a daemonic power similar to that of the masks and sculptures of primitive people. You will receive from them no message that is translatable in words, but you may glean some of the artist's wonder before the spectacle of life-a wonder that encompasses both delight and horror. Bronzes: $\$ 375$ to $\$ 1,500$; stone carvings: $\$ 1,800$ to $\$ 4,500$.
the paintings of HYMAN BLOOM

THese you will find at Durlacher Brothers, in April. And like the sculpture of Lipchitz, you will find them strong stuff. To begin with, the color in this Boston artist's work is of an overwhelming richness. Sometimes it smolders darkly, sometimes it glows, sometimes it flames in swirling strokes, but always it animates the entire surface of the canvas. The color combinations are often similar to those of the Near East, but they are brushed on in an occidental manner. For Bloom is an expressionist; his artist progenitor is Soutine. The latter painted the French landscape in thick, swirling strokes of rich, sour hues, giving it a convulsive, sometimes hardly recognizable appearance. Bloom has painted a picture that resembles a Soutine landscape at first, but after you have worked your way through the surface maze of form and color, you discover that it depicts a bevy of harpies attacking a human body. Harpies, in case you've forgotten, are
malign little monsters who originated in Greek mythology. They are halfhuman, half-bird, and they fly around snatching up the souls of the dead. Mr. Bloom's harpies appear to be masked, and whether they are soul-snatching or not is difficult to determine; but they contribute effectively to both the decorative and frightening qualities of a deeply disturbing painting. Elsewhere, in a tender, poetic vein, the artist has transcribed the opalescent beauty of a precious stone and, with penetrating realism, has delineated the intense mysticism of a rabbi. His paintings sell from $\$ 750$ to $\$ 1200$.

## the paintings of usellini

The Julien Levy Gallery is showing canvases by this little-known Italian primitive through the first week in April. You will find them a good antidote to the overwhelming intensity of the Blooms. They are charming, light hearted, full of delightful touches, surrealist, although Usellini has probably never heard of surrealism. In one, a Venetian scene, called "Love's Regatta," gondolas with drawn curtains and manned by winged creatures, glide past San Giorgio in the background, while on a quay in the foreground, lovers sit arm in arm, photographers take pictures and people converse, undisturbed by the extraordinary phenomenon occurring on the canal. Another painting, "The Curious," presents the cross-section of a building. In the center is a room and on two sides of it are corridors. Inside the room, sitting on a Victorian sofa beside an old phonograph, are a naval officer and a mermaid, while in the corridors people of various ages are peeping through the keyholes. Usellini paints as do most primitives with particular attention to detail, and he depicts his fantasies with such quiet, naive assurance that it is difficult to dismiss them. Although you might not think they would, his images cling with formidable tenacity to the memory. Following his show will be an exhibition of the work of Campigli, another Italian, who likes to paint enigmatic compact women in light, earthy tones. Paintings by both artists sell from $\$ 600$ to $\$ 2000$.

## aRT by americans

From March 22 to April 1, and in some cases even longer, a number of New York galleries are participating in an exhibition of paintings, prints and sculpture by American artists for the benefit of the Artists Equity Association Welfare Fund. Included will be the AAA Gallery, the ACA Gallery, the Babcock, Downtown, Ferargil, Grand Central, Kraushaar, Levitt, Luyber, Macbeth, Midtown, Milch, New Age, Passedoit and Rehn. ... From April 5 the American British Art Center will exhibit the sculpture of Wilmer Hoffman, including his portraits of people and animals. He stylizes both without losing their living qualities, and imparts to each piece a soft, personal charm. Prices range from $\$ 175$ to $\$ 1500$.


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## HOW TO PRUNE

When you remove part of a plant, either roots or tops, you are pruning it. The immediate effect, whatever the time of year, is one of stimulation. Correct pruning builds and conserves vigor and helps the plant towards a long and productive life. In addition, it can train and improve form (as in the training of conifers, shade trees and vines) and impose restraint (as in the case of hedges, etc.).

When you prune the branch of a tree or shrub, you immediately affect the flow of plant sap, the purpose of which is to nourish all parts of the plant. Pruning diverts the sap. Unhindered, sap always flows to the outer extremities of the branches, by-passing the buds lower down, so the lower parts of many plants are bare. Arrested by pruning, the sap is diverted into the lower buds, forcing them into growth. However, the stimulus thus given is local and confined to one area, measurable in inches, on the stem or branch. The growth of shrubs whose tops are constantly sheared is confined to the sheared area; the lower portions are not affected. Similarly, removing the tops of young growing shoots in summer stimulates the growth of side shoots but only those which are a short distance below the point of severance.

Therefore, the point at which a cut is made will determine largely where the breaks (sprouts) occur. The kinds of buds that are affected are, first, dormant, or resting buds; they may be terminal (at the tip) or lateral (at the sides). Dormant buds of themselves usually sprout in spring. Secondly, latent buds (usually lateral) are several years old and have been by-passed by the sap. You can force them to grow by pruning. Third, there are adventitious buds, which have no regularly assigned position but are scattered throughout the tissue of both roots and tops. They spring into action near a cut or injury. You will see them on the branches of elms or the stems of lilacs and they are particularly important in the rejuvenation of old shrubs and fruit trees (Continued on page 152)


Left: incorrect-weight of falling branch rips bark down trunk. Right: correct(1) cut under, (2) cut tops, branch splits and falls (3) cut away the stump.


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Shoots are more numerous from adventitious buds and thinning is necessary to prevent over-crowding. Note the difference in how the growth behaves. Continuous heavy pruning will force so much vegetative growth from adventitious buds that flowering and fruiting will be inhibited. This is especially true of young fruit trees, where fruiting will be delayed. With very old trees, when rejuvenation is necessary, spread the pruning work over several years, especially if heavy branches are involved.

Adventitious buds are found in all deciduous plants (those that drop their leaves in winter) and to some extent in broad-leaved evergreens, rhododendrons, mountain laurel and the like; but they are practically absent in conifers, pines, spruces, hemlock, etc. Since conifers will not respond to the kind of pruning practiced on shrubs and trees, the new shoots are pruned in summer. If these shoots, which have buds spaced along their length, are cut back $1 / 3$ to $1 / 2$ their length any time from late June to July, the buds will be forced into growth and result in a bushier plant. This is what actually happens in shearing a plant or evergreen hedge. Yew (taxus) is the only member of the conifer group that will respond to pruning of the old stems. No response is possible from cutting into an old stem or branch of the regular conifer. It will just die back.

Broad-leaved evergreens will at times respond to such treatment; again they will not. Much depends upon the age and condition of the tissue. Azaleas, however, are more inclined to sprout, even when the older stems are cut. The recognized method in rejuvenating old rhododendrons and mountain laurel is to cut them to the ground, forcing new shoots from the base. The operation can be performed all at once or spread over several seasons. In these, as in conifers, the young shoots can be cut in summer to give denser growth. Indeed this is good practice with andromeda.

## Pruning time

The time for pruning is important. Most plants flower or fruit either on growth of the current season, or on that of the past season. Prune accordingly. Mid- to late summer flowering plants like hydrangea, rose of Sharon, butterfly bush, summer lilac (buddleia), false spirea (sorbaria) and vitex flower on the current season's growth; also garden roses, vines like Clematis paniculata, C. jackmani, C. viticella and grape vine.

Prune them in spring. The other -great group of plants typified by forsythia, deutzia, the spireas, lilac, weigela and viburnums flower on shoots of the previous season. Prune them after flowering. This is also true of climbing and rambler roses. No harm would result from pruning these in early spring but you would sacrifice the flowers on the parts cut away. When rejuvenating
old shrubs of this group, winter or early spring pruning takes full advantage of the first flow of sap. It is not unusual to obtain new shoots six or more feet long during the first season. After flowering, much of the sap will have been expended.

Pruning of fruits is somewhat reversed. Apples, pears, cherries and plums fruit on spurs (see House \& Garden, March, 1946, page 83) which require two or more years to develop. Peaches, however, bear on one-yearold shoots. All are pruned in late winter or early spring. Regulating the supply of spur growth of fruiting shoots will keep the interior of the fruit tree open to admit sunlight to the buds and to prevent over-bearing.

Biennial bearing shoots are peculiar to the bramble fruits-raspberries, blackberries, boysenberries and the like. After the long canes formed the previous year bear fruit, they die and must be removed. In the ever-bearing types, those that bear two crops a season should be removed with the autumn crop.

Winter or early spring pruning is best done as near spring as possible, especially where branches thicker than $l^{\prime \prime}$ are involved. Healing is quicker at this time. In winter there is danger the tissue will die back from drying and hinder healing. This does not apply to thin canes or to grape vines which bleed unless cut in winter. Maples, yellowwood (cladrastis) and some birches bleed after February, so you prune these in the autumn.

Summer pruning is distinct from spring pruning in that it is confined to cutting out part of the vegetative growth of spring. Its purpose is to encourage fruiting. On espalier fruits, it is customary to cut back the long shoots of spring when they have completed their growth, about the beginning of July. This diverts the sap into two or three buds at the base. In time these form fruit spurs. Applied to wistaria and other plants that sometimes fail to flower, it will eventually force flowering. Since plants depend upon their leaves to manufacture tissuebuilding food, summer pruning, carried to an excess, can be injurious. Late summer or early fall pruning results in the growth of shoots that will not ripen sufficiently to withstand the rigors of winter.

The actual mechanical operation of making the cut has more importance than is usually realized. Buds will dry out if a cut is made too close. If cut over half an inch above, a stub is left that can only die back. One quarter inch above the bud is nearly right. Two cuts are necessary when removing a large branch. First cut about $12^{\prime \prime}$ from the limb, or trunk from which the branch is to be removed, leaving a stub. Then cut the latter off flush with the former so that the sap will heal the wound in its descent.

Use sharp tools to make a clean cut; clean and disinfect them regularly, especially when working with fruit. Paint all wounds over $1^{\prime \prime}$ in diameter. Be sure to use a good brand of pruning paint.

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With French ProvincIAL furniture in a small dining room, use Vogue's tailored curtains made from Hathaway cushion-dotted, sheer cotton in white or eggshell. Hang them straight beneath a shaped cornice. $78^{\prime \prime}$ length: $\$ 3.75$. John Wanamaker, Philadelphia.

In with a large triple window, use three pairs of Berkshire's crisp organdy curtains with embroidered eyelet ruffles. Hang them with the ruffles on the outside and top with a swag valance of the same material as the skirt on the dressing table. $90^{\prime \prime}$ : $\$ 10$. At Macy's, New York.


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## GARDENER'S GEAR

Whether you like it or not, spring will involve you in more prosaic problems than poets would lead you to expect. Once again the grass will grow thicker and faster than a Brahman's beard, the edges of walks and flower beds will sprout tendrils and curlicues. So you will need speedy tools to combat nature. You will also need them to combat the high hourly rates of today's handy men. If yours is a large property, you will probably face the tasks of plowing, cultivating, weeding and seeding as well. All these jobs can be made easier by new garden equipment.

Motor-driven garden tools save time and labor (yours or what you pay for) on such tasks. Besides, they work speedily. Other garden equip-ment-not motor driven-has been designed and constructed in new ways. Today, it is lighter in weight, more durable, easier in operation.


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A hand-power lawn mower, the Worcester Shear, adds new features to an old summer-afternoon acquaintance. Its wheels have $10^{\prime \prime}$ semi-pneumatic rubber tires easy to push over the ground. The brackets of a rubber roller can be adjusted so it will cut grass from $5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ to $21 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ in height. It has sealed reel bearings which keep out injurious grass cuttings, water and dirt. The mower needs no oiling because the ball bearings are permanently lubricated. Enamel finish in colors. \$29.95. The Worcester Lawn Mower Co., Savage Arms Corp., Chicopee Falls, Mass.

to air-cooled, dust-proof motor. It is easy
to handle because it is light in weight to handle because it is light in weight
and well balanced in construction. An aluminum handle and rubber grip are designed to adjust to the height of the person who uses it. The price is $\$ 66.50$. Stanley Electric Tools, Stanley Works, Dept. C, New Britain, Connecticut.
The Stanley Grasshear is a new cutting tool which you work from a standing position. (Clipping grass around trees, walks, flower beds, or hard-toreach places needn't get you blistered hands.) Electrically operated on AC or DC current (from outlet or portable generator) this clipper carries its own air-cooled, dust-proof motor. It is easy


This "Scottie" is a new kind of lawn mower, propelled largely by its rubbercovered rear rollers instead of by side wheels. Built close to the ground, the blades are guarded by a top cover which allows you to cut under bushes and along flower beds without clipping plants. You can run it to within an inch of walls and fences. Two screws on top of the mower adjust the blades to cut various keights of grass. The whole machine weighs less than 20 pounds, cuts $17^{\prime \prime}$ swathe. Price $\$ 14.95$. J. M. Dalglish Co., St. Paul, Minn.

# MECHANICS OF LIVING 

Here are things to make life easier in the new house you are planning or the old house you want to remodel


Gas heater is said by the manufacturer to provide a remarkable uniformity of heat throughout the house. Hot air is delivered from ducts near the ceiling and cold air returned at the floor level to provide circulation. Three sizes are made for small to average size houses. The equipment is noiseless, easily concealed and occupies a very small space. Royal Heaters, Inc., 1024 Westminster Ave., Alhambra, Cal.


Outside door lock is simple in design. Made by one of the country's largest manufacturers of finish hardware, it has been engineered for mass production so that a low price is possible. Knobs and rosettes are bronze or solid brass. Also available in nickel or chrome. Self-lubricating bearings insure smooth operation. Several locks may have one master key. $\$ 18$. Sargent \& Co., New Haven, Connecticut.


Square bath tub is only $2^{\prime} 7^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ and makes it possible to plan an extra bathroom for a very small spacemight even conveniently fit into a closet. Adults can take a bath in this tub and the seat is useful in bathing infants. It is ideal as a shower receptor. Matching corner washbowl by the same manufacturer is a space-saving unit which matches the tub. Crane Co., 836 Michigan Avenue, Chicago 5, 11 .


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## GENERAL

MECHANICS continued


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Fluorescent diffusers are installed by being slipped over standard fluorescent lamps. They soften the light and make it less fatiguing, with only a slight loss of light transmission. Diffusers are made in six colors for decorative effects; a clear one is for reading and close work. Glare is reduced more than $50 \%$ by these tubes. About $\$ 3$ in the larger sizes, less for smaller types. Extruded Plastics, Norwalk, Conn.

Burglar alarm attaches to door jamb or window sash so that it is tripped by the bumper arm if the door or window is opened. It is non-electrical, using a spring that winds like a clock. The loud and penetrating ringing of the alarm will arouse occupants and neighbors and frighten the burglar. Priced at $\$ 2.95$ in ivory enamel and chromium finish from R. E. Robertson \& Company, 228 N. La Salle St., Chicago 1, Ill.


Step saver is an inter-room communication system that allows you to talk to anyone in the kitchen, basement, garage, or listen for the baby in the nursery without leaving your chair. Without installation, the Master Station and one Speaker Unit costs $\$ 49.50$ with wire. Extra Speaker Units, $\$ 9.50$ each. It is very compact, being only $7^{\prime \prime}$ square and $51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ deep. Made by Webster Electric Company, Racine, Wisconsin.


Glowing tiles absorb daylight or artificial light and become charged so that when the room is dark the tiles are luminescent. Sheets $18^{\prime \prime} \times 32^{\prime \prime}$ of the same material are available. Used in kitchens, bathrooms, and hallways, the glow of the material allows you to find your way without turning on lights at night. They cost about $\$ 2$ per square foot from Homalite Corp., 11-13 Brookside Drive, Wilmington 166, Delaware.


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## YOUR YARD AND FUEL

BY ALICE EVEREST

Do you live in the suburbs, a small town, or in the country? If so, during the past winter, you and hundreds of other house owners probably shared an all-too-common experience. When fuel was low and the thermometer had plunged below zero, did your furnace, with a twitter of warning, go off, leaving you cold and helpless? Did your firewood give out before the overworked engineer had reached your house, or had you used it up before the furnace quit? If so, you discovered one fact: firewood is worth its weight in gold-and hard to get-during the middle of winter.

Don't let the beauties and warmth of spring dull your memory this year. Next winter is apt to be as bitter as this one and firewood in even greater demand. Early summer is the time to lay in your store-and remembering those days when the house had no heat, make it an ample supply.

But firewood, you say, is expensive even in summer. It isn't if you cut it yourself. Don't misunderstand; naturally you are going to have to buy some, but if you keep at it steadily, you will be surprised how quickly you can fill your woodbin with kindling wood and smaller logs.

Look around your yard. Are there trees that need pruning? With a light saw and a can of paint, you can prune your trees yourself. Here you kill two birds with one stone, while you (Continued on page 174)


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IT is quite a trick to scrounge enough space for three houses on a lot 125 feet by 90 feet, especially when each house is for two families. It is rare to find such excellent plans, such a new look as is apparent in these houses by Paul Kirk. Too often, duplex houses look as if they belong to the Jukes branch of the architectural family. Built on a lot sloping down from the street in Seattle, these houses are one story high at the front, two stories high at the rear. Each contains two apartments which share a street door and entrance hall. The two-bedroom apartment on the upper floor is entered at street level. Steps lead down to the lower level apartment which has one bedroom. In each apartment, living and dining space is a generous room ( 25 feet wide), across the back of the house. Fixed glass panels to the rear overlook a park; glass doors open to a terrace for the ground floor apartment, a balcony for the upper one. Service yards, with clothes lines, wood boxes, garbage receptacles, are between the houses to keep the house fronts presentable, the rear of the lot free for a general garden. As plot plan shows, below, right, each house has its own front entrance, service entrance.


Balconies, terraces, glass walls in living rooms, overlook the park behind the houses where tennis courts and recreational space are available to the families.


One large room for living and dining, lighted by a continuous band of fixed windows, is the hub of the household for each of the apartments in these duplex houses. Room has acoustical board ceiling to deaden sound, a hard-board floor, an open fireplace. Book and magazine cabinets are built in under window areas, lighting fixtures are installed flush with the ceiling for evenly diffused lighting.

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## GARDENER'S GEAR continued

Power-driven garden tractor which is good for use in all seasons. Different attachments are for lawn cutting, cultivating the land, plowing, mowing, weed cutting and sowing. It can plow snow as well and transport a gardener's or farmer's cart, a water pump or other such machinery. Known as Model D, this light tractor has a $11 / 2$ horsepower motor. The transmission affords four quick changes of speed-from one to five miles an
 hour. The maker, Simplicity Manufacturing Co., Port Washington, Wis., has given it an allsteel frame and chassis. It is priced at $\$ 155$, F.O.B. factory.

The "Trimalawn," a motordriven mower, comes in two models. One can cut three acres a day with a $21^{\prime \prime}$ swathe, the other cuts four acres a day with a $25^{\prime \prime}$ wide swathe. Powered by a $1^{1 / 2}$ horsepower engine, the cutting unit is designed to mow without leaving ridges in the grass between swathes; wheels of this mower-tractor always ride on the cut grass. One control feature lets the cutting unit follow ground contours for even mowing. Another control gives instant stop or start management of mower and tractor. Reo Motors, Inc., Lansing, Michigan. $\$ 235$ delivered, east of Rockies.

The Choremaster saves time, labor and temper in gardening or farming tasks. This garden tractor power unit (plus the proper attachments) can be used to plow the earth, seed it, cultivate the soil, remove weeds, mow grass, sweep up and do other jobs. A snow plow or a small wagon can be attached to it. The tractor itself is easy to handle; it balances on one wheel and is lighter than 100 lbs . Its design makes the $11 / 2$ horsepower engine do the pushing, not you. Price $\$ 146.50$, plus freight, from Special Products Div., Lodge and Shipley Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.


This mower has a built-in sharpening device. There's a lever to reverse the cutting reel so it will sharpen itself. Named the Pincor P-20, it is an engine-propelled model with a single cylinder, 4 -cycle, $11 / 2$ horsepower engine. It cuts a 20 -inch width. and the cutting unit (with five blades, self-lubricated bearings) can be removed from the mower for cleaning and quickly adjusted for cutting height. Rubber tires on the mower are punctureproof; the frame and chassis are steel. Manufacturer, Pioneer Gen-E-Motor Corp., Chicago, Illinois. \$150, F.O.B. Chicago.

## NEW CURTAIN TRICKS

The latest curtain fixtures and features have been designed to simplify hanging and laundering

$S_{\text {hir-back }}$ is the feature provided in Cameo curtains which quickly and easily draws
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W the featur Beautiful curtains which creates triple pinch pleats without sewing.
They lie flat for ironing.


Ivy and Leaf metal curtain holdbacks by Kirsch Company are two of several designed to match swinging cranes. Ivy: $\$ 1.69$ a pair; leaf: \$1.49. Ivory antique; ivory-and-gold.

$\mathrm{R}_{\text {ed-e-thread, a happy idea of }}$ Vogue's, is a red thread hidden in the head of their curtains which, when pulled just before the first laundering, loosens a shrinkage tuck.


L dOOP-A-CROSs, a ruffled curtain on loops with separate valance by Croscill. It can be hung on any rod in any fashion, thereby fitting even the widest window.


D orous roun numuru provided by the Fashion Curtain Company, makes their ruffles more durable at the point of greatest wear. All ends are turned and hemmed.

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holdback of cast anbass is $31 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ in diameter, costs $\$ 1.50$ a pair. Festoon ring, set in crystal, has overall outside diameter of $4^{\prime \prime}$, costs \$1.29. Both by Judd Company.


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JURY OF ARCHITECTS
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(over $1800 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$.)

FIRST PRIZE
SECOND PRIZE
HONORABLE MENTIONS

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## YOUR YARD

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are improving the appearance of the place, you can also lay in part of your winter's supply of wood. The limbs of the trees will make nice logs; the smaller branches, kindling wood. Possibly your yard is too shady and a tree should be felled to let in the sun. So much the better for your wood pile.

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Dead branches which you have clipped and sawed off may be stacked in the cellar as soon as they have been cut into a size suitable for your fireplace. The fresher branches should be cut to size, and then allowed to stand in the open air where they will dry out more quickly.

Your place will be better looking after this general cleanup: the lawns clean, the pathways straight and neat, the trees healthy and well cared for. As for you, right now you feel better for the exercise and next winter the pipes won't freeze. You will be warm and cozy beside your fire.

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# CARIBBEAN COOKERY 

BY JAMES A. BEARD

T$\mathrm{T}_{\text {нe discoveries that Columbus, the }}$ Spaniards and the English carried to the old world from the Caribbean are not the only gifts that our closest neighbors have to offer. There is still room for exploration in the gastronomical tropics. Many exotic and delicious foods are there for those who venture on a voyage of discoverymuch that could be used constantly to embellish our tables. The five menus with their recipes which follow, while definitely Caribbean, are so adapted that they may be prepared in North American kitchens. Everything called for is available at least part of each year in cities throughout this country.

Shrimp-and-chayote appetizer, lime dressing
Chicken Mallorquina Rice
Snap beans, Puerto Rican Broiled sugar pineapples
Shrimp and chayote appetizer The chayote is a member of the yam family sometimes called the "vegetable pear" because of its shape. It is to be found in specialty stores and from time to time in the large markets and chain stores. One pound is ample for four people.

Peel and dice 1 lb . of chayote into 1 -inch pieces. Cook in boiling salted
water for 20 minutes or until tender, but not mushy. Drain and chill.

Peel and clean 2 lbs . raw shrimp. Cook them for 12 to 15 minutes in the following court bouillon: $11 / 2 \mathrm{qts}$. of water, 1 onion, sliced, 1 lime, sliced, 4 or 5 whole peppercorns, 1 clove, 1 bay leaf, $1^{1 / 2}$ tsps. salt and a sprig of parsley. Drain and cool and combine with the chayote. Allow to marinate 1 hour in:

## Lime dressing

Half cup olive oil, $1 / 8$ cup fresh lime juice, 1 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. dry mustard, 1 tbsp. chopped parsley, pinch of thyme. Rub the bowl well with garlic, add the oil and seasoning and stir in the lime juice. Correct the seasoning and add to the chayote-shrimp mixture.

Arrange shrimp-chayote mixture on beds of watercress and garnish with rings of green pepper.

## Chicken Mallorquina

For four people: Choose two $2-\mathrm{lb}$. broilers and have them split and the backbones removed. This gives more evensized serving pieces and makes handling in the pan a much easier proposition. Unless you have a very large skillet it is wiser to use two of the average size for this dish. Melt 3 ozs. of butter in each skillet and when it is bubbly, but (Continued on page 176)


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not brown, add the chickens which you have dredged lightly in flour. Brown them over a brisk flame, first on the skin side and then on the bony side. Sprinkle with salt, using 1 tsp . for each chicken. When chickens are browned, reduce the heat and allow them to cook slowly for 20 minutes or until tender.

While the chickens are sautéing. remove gristly parts from the gizzards and heart and chop them and the livers very fine. Add this to the pans after 25 minutes' cooking time, along with 2 or 3 tbsps. chopped parsley to each pan and a goodly sprinkling of black pepper-about $1 / 2$ tsp. to each pan. Turn the chickens, increase the heat and allow them to cook for 5 minutes. Then, to each pan add $1 / 2$ cup of a good dry Spanish sherry. Cover the pans and allow the chickens to continue cooking over a low heat for 5 to 8 minutes. Remove chickens to a hot platter. Surround with mounds of boiled rice. Cook the sauce in the pans for 2 minutes over a brisk heat. Pour this over the chicken and serve at once.

## Snap beans, Puerto Rican

Cook 2 lbs . of Frenched snap beans or one package of the quick-frozen type until tender. Drain. Mix with 3 tbsps. butter, 1 tbsp. finely-chopped onion, 1 tbsp. finely-chopped green pepper and the juice of $1 / 2$ lemon. Salt and pepper to taste.

## Broiled sugar pineapple

Sugar pineapples are the small variety, seen often in our markets. They have
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an exceedingly piney flavor. For four: split 2 ripe sugar pineapples in half. Remove green tops and save for garnish. With a grapefruit knife, loosen the meat around the shell and cut it into bite-size pieces, leaving the core intact. Sprinkle with brown sugar, dot with butter and place in a pre-heated broiler 4 inches from the flame. Broil for approximately 10 minutes, or until sugar is melted and fruit is heated through. Arrange on serving plates, using green stem for decoration. Add 2 tbsps. dark rum to each pineapple half just before serving.

Green turtle soup Chilindron de carnero Sautéed hearts of palm Plantains en papillote Avocado dessert

## Green turtle soup

Use any of the tinned turtle soups available in your market, adding 1 tbsp. sherry or Madeira for each cup. Garnish with a thin slice of lemon, chopped white of egg and finely-cut turtle fat which comes in the jar or tin.

## Chilindron de carnero (meat and pepper)

2 lbs. lamb, leg or shoulder, cut in 2 inch cubes
1 medium onion, chopped fine
1/3 cup chopped parsley
1 bay leaf
$11 / 2$ cups red wine
6 tbsps. olive oil
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1 clove garlic, crushed
1 tsp. dried orégano 1 cup tomato purée 16 olives, crushed lightly

Dredge the lamb with flour mixed with 1 tsp. salt and 1 tsp. freshlyground black pepper. Heat olive oil in a heavy iron kettle or skillet and sear the meat well on all sides in the hot oil. When nicely browned, add the onion, garlic, parsley, orégano, and cook for 5 minutes over very low heat until tender-about 45 minutes in all. Add the olives after 20 minutes' cooking time. If the liquid cooks down too much, add additional red wine. Remove to heated serving dish and garnish with chopped parsley and finely-cut strips of pimiento. Surround with baked plantains (recipe below).

Serve the same red wine that you used in this dish with the dinner.

Sautéed hearts of palm
Drain the contents of 1 tin hearts of palm (these may be purchased in specialty food shops throughout the country). Melt 4 thsps. butter in a skillet and add palm sections. Sauté over moderate heat, turning frequently, until palm sections are delicately browned. Salt and pepper to taste.

## Plantains en papillote

Choose 6 ripe plantains (if unavailable use very firm bananas), peel and spread with butter and sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper. Fold into squares
of cooking parchment and fold and secure edges. Bake in $350^{\circ}$ oven for 20 to 25 minutes. Serve in parchment with the Chilindron de carnero.

## Avocado dessert

Mash and force through coarse sieve 2 ripe avocados. Add the juice of 1 lime and beat in $2 / 3$ cup granulated sugar. Arrange in individual glass dishes and chill in refrigerator for one hour. Serve with wedges of lime.

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Tomato-avocado appetizer Camarones salteados (shrimps) Rice
Chayote with garlic butter Caribbean sundae

Tomato-avocado appetizer
Peel and dice 1 large or 2 small avocados. Marinate for 2 hours in lime dressing (see menu 1) to which you add an additional clove of garlic. Peel (after blanching in boiling water for 1 minute) 4 tomatoes of medium size. Remove pulp and seeds and chill shells in refrigerator for 1 hour. Fill chilled shells with avocado and arrange on bed of romaine. Garnish with finelychopped pimiento and finely-chopped hard-cooked egg.

## Camarones salteados

Shell and clean 2 lbs . of large shrimp. Cook in just enough water to cover, to which you have added 1 tsp. salt, juice (Continued on page 178)

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of $1 / 2$ lemon, 6 peppercorns and a bay leaf. Simmer 12 to 15 minutes and allow to cool in the bouillon. Sauté, in 4 tbsps. olive oil, $1 / 2$ cup chopped onion 2 green peppers, finely chopped, $1 / 2$ cup chopped parsley and a pinch of saffron (this may be bought at specialty shops or in some drugstores). When onions and peppers are tender, combine the sauce with the shrimp and bouillon and simmer for 10 minutes. Taste for seasoning. Serve with boiled rice. Serves 4.

Chayote with garlic butter
Peel and slice into serving pieces 1 lb . chayote. Cook in boiling salted water approximately 20 minutes, or until just tender. Drain. Melt 3 tbsps. butter in a small skillet, slice 2 garlic buds, add to the butter and cover skillet. Allow it to stand in a warm place on the stove for 10 minutes. Remove garlic, if desired, and pour melted butter over the hot chayote. Add the juice of $1 / 2$ lime and dust with paprika.

## Caribbeav sundae

You can buy delicious canned mangoes from Cuba in most specialty shops. Arrange 2 or 3 slices of these in glass dessert dishes and top with vanilla ice cream. Place another slice of mango on top and sprinkle generously with freshly-grated or quick-frozen coconut. One can will serve 4 or 5 .

West Indian cocktails Plantain chips
Shrimps, avocado dressing Lechon asado (roast pig) Black beans, Cuban style Gazpacho Melon plate

West Indian cocktail
2 parts dark rum 1 part dry vermouth Dash of Triple Sec

Stir with cracked ice and add twist of orange peel to each glass.

## Plantain chips

Peel and cut 4 or 5 firm plantains into very thin slices. Fry, a few at a time, in deep fat heated to $375^{\circ}$-approximately the same temperature you use for French fried potatoes. Fry until plantain chips are nicely browned and crisp. Drain on absorbent paper, sprinkle with salt and pepper and store in metal container until ready to use.

Shrimp, avocado dressing
Peel and clean 2 lbs, shrimp. Cook in just enough water to cover to which are added: 1 small onion stuck with 2 cloves, 1 bay leaf, 1 sprig parsley, 1 sliced lemon, 1 tsp . salt and 4 peppercorns. Cook for 12 to 15 minutes. Drain and cool shrimp. Arrange shrimp on bed of watercress around a bowl of:

## Avocado dressing

Mash 1 ripe avocado and flavor with the juice of a lime, $1 / 2$ tsp. salt, 1 garlic (Continued on page 179)

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## COOKERY

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bud, grated, and 1 tbsp. chili sauce Beat this mixture into $7 / 8$ cup mayonnaise and taste for seasoning. Heap in the sauce bowl.

## Lechon asado

A lechon asado is usually an outdoor event, but since few of us are equipped to handle a whole pig over the coals I am taking the liberty of adapting it to a buffet supper.

Buy a large fresh ham with the skin left on. Score the skin well with a sharp knife and rub thoroughly with salt, pepper and dried orégano. Place the fresh ham in a preheated, $350^{\circ}$ oven and roast slowly, allowing 30 minutes per pound. Baste often with the following sauce:

Sauté $1 / 2$ cup chopped onion and 2 chopped cloves of garlic and 2 finelychopped green peppers in 6 tbsps. olive oil until tender. Add $1 / 2$ cup honey, $1 / 2$ cup tomato purée, $1 / 2$ cup wine vinegar, 1 tsp. dried orégano, $11 / 2$ tsps. salt and a few grains of cayenne pepper. Allow this to simmer for 5 minutes.

Increase the heat of the oven to $450^{\circ}$ for the last. $1 / 2$ hour to crisp the skin and glaze the top of the ham. Serve with more of the sauce if desired. And when carving the meat, be certain that everyone has some of the crisp skin-the most delicious part of the roast.

Black beans, Cuban style
Wash 2 cups black beans in several waters and then cover with 2 quarts water and allow to soak for 3 hours. Then bring them to a boil, without salting. Turn down the heat and allow the beans to simmer slowly until tender. Try out $1 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. salt pork, cut in small pieces, until brown and crisp. Remove the pieces of pork to absorbent paper. In the fat, sauté 1 cup chopped onion, 2 cloves garlic, cut fine, until tender. Add $1 / 2$ tsp. dried orégano and a bay leaf. Mix well and add to the beans when tender. To this add the salt pork pieces, $1 / 2$ cup red wine, and 2 tbsps. olive oil. Simmer $1 / 2$ hour and serve.

You might have this in some parts of the Indies or South America served with rice, but unless you want to be just too traditional, I think you can skip the extra starch.

## Gazpacho (salad)

Rub a salad bowl with garlic and add: 2 cucumbers, peeled, seeded and sliced thin
2 medium onions, peeled and cut into slices
4 ripe tomatoes, peeled and sliced 3 green peppers, seeded and thinly sliced
Dressing:
$1 / 2$ cup olive oil
1/8 cup wine vinegar
1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
Mix dressing thoroughly and pour over salad mixture. Toss lightly and allow to stand for 1 hour before serving time.
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Melon plate
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Paelle (casserole) Grapefruit and green salad Tropical compote

## Paelle

1 3-lb. chicken, cut as for fricassee 5 tbsps. olive oil
24 clams in their shells
1 onion, finely chopped
1 thin slice ham, cut in slivers 24 shrimps, cleaned and cooked 3 hot sausages, sliced thin 3 pimientos 2 cups raw rice
3 cups (or more) broth
1 package quick-frozen peas, or 2 lbs . jresh peas
Saffron, tarragon, salt, cayenne, paprika

Singe, clean and prepare chicken as for fricassee. Wash clams. Cook and clean shrimp. Melt 5 tbsps. fat in a casserole. Brown the chicken in the hot fat, being certain to turn it fre-
quently to brown it on all sides. Salt and pepper to taste. Add the onion and the ham and the hot sausages. Cook these together for several minutes, being careful to mix them well. Add the shrimp, the clams in their shells, the diced pimientos and seasonings. Add the raw rice and cover the whole with hot broth or boiling water mixed with bouillon cubes. Place in a casserole in a pre-heated $375^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. oven and bake until the rice is cooked. If the liquid cooks away too quickly add more hot broth. Season to taste. Top with freshly cooked peas.

## Grapefruit and green salad

Combine the segments of two grapefruit, which you have carefully cut and from which you have removed all skin and fiber, with your favorite combination of greens. Dress with your version of French dressing.

## Tropical compote

Peel and dice 1 small, ripe pineapple. Peel 3 ripe bananas and cut in slices. Combine with pineapple and one tin guava shells (which are again on the market). Add to this enough sugar to sweeten to your taste and 3 oz . dark rum. Chill in the refrigerator for 2 hours. Just before serving dust the top of fruit with $1 / 2$ cup freshly grated or quick-frozen coconut.

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popular and persistent. Elsewhere, Italianate Louis XIV was taken as the model. Once adopted, these styles were retained long after they had been supplanted by newer fashions in Paris. Some furniture-makers went on repeating the same types right through the Nineteenth Century, making the accurate dating of Provincial pieces a particularly knotty task. This inclination to copy what father and grandfather had done before him is true to the temperament of the rural French craftsman. His work shows warmth, enthusiasm and, at times, small flights of fancy. It is significant that the cold, straight lines of Empire virtually bypassed the provinces.

At the outset of the Eighteenth Century, the landed gentry and the peasants were still living simply. In Provence, for example, the kitchen (called $l a$ salle) was the main gather-ing-place for social as well as domestic activities. Among the peasantry of Normandy and Champagne, the term la maison meant a single room combining the duties of kitchen, salon and bedroom. The furniture of this early period was restricted to essentials: beds, stools and combination tablecupboards. Soon, however, storage pieces began to appear. Dressers and sideboards were introduced, to display the prosperous bourgeois' new china and linen. Expanding wardrobes called for armoires and commodes. The sim-
ple trestle table which was put away when not in use was replaced by permanent tables.

The abundance of certain woods in certain localities helped shape the character of French Provincial furniture. Oak is typical of Normandy, walnut of Savoie, walnut and fruitwoods of Lorraine. In soil-poor, windy Champagne, the characteristic tree, poplar, was frequently used for panels, with oak and walnut employed only for the weight-bearing sections. Saìntonge, a province relatively deficient in orchards or natural forestry, resorted to American pine and exotic imported woods unloaded at Bordeaux and La Rochelle. Mahogany and violet ebony similarly entered Normandy by way of Cherbourg and Le Havre. Ash, beech and elm were also used, although fruitwoods and especially wild and tame cherry (which darken to a rich auburn or purplish color) are most characteristic of French Provincial furniture.

Climate and topography dictated many traits by which Provincial furniture can be placed. In houses located around the marshy mouth of the Loire, where inundations are commonplace, beds were perched on high legs. In cold sections such as the mountainous Vosges, in Auvergne and Savoie, the lit clos, which is nothing less than a builtin bed, was the rule. Set in a niche in the kitchen, it was closed off for warmth
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and privacy by carved panels. In Brittany, the lit clos took on a ship-like aspect, with bunks for several members of the family placed one above the other. Close at hand there was often a other. Close at hand there was oth as shich served both as step to the
chest upper deck and as clothes press. In the windswept mountainous Dauphiné, this tiered arrangement appears again. When the panels were openwork, with turned spindles, beds were known as lits demi-clos. In temperate Provence, beds were open-sided and were placed in separate bedrooms. Some were fourposters, with embroidery or needlepoint hangings. Others had beautifully ornamented headboards but no footboards. On such beds the gay colors and patterns of peasant bedspreads contrasted with the warm patina of the wood. A very charming style of bed, now much in vogue with decorators, developed in Saintonge. Termed à la duchesse, it had a flat, rather ceremonious canopy but no posts or footboard.

Primarily practical, French Provincial furniture absorbed and incorporated a number of models which had no Parisian prototypes. Many of them are functional in our modern sense of the word. Such is the sturdy kneading trough with a table top, which could also house cutlery, called in Champagne and Brittany maie and in Provence pétrin. The chaise à sel had a square box seat in which salt was kept. The makers of Provence were especially ingenious in the invention of holders for roller towels, porringers, plates, tumblers, each with its special
name. In addition to decorated flour bins and spice boxes, an engaging item is the pannetière, or bread-cooler, a small cage of spindles, often with an elaborately carved cornice and an enormous lock. The sensible EighteenthCentury housewife also realized the need of a dish dryer. In Artois and Picardy, buffets were made with closed cabinets above, and open slatted shelves below on which freshly washed china could drain.

Provincial chairs show considerable variation. In Normandy, the Louis XVI type was commonest, though the region also produced ladder-back chairs, low-backed cushioned armchairs and a rare Empire model which has a broad splat top. The most practical and graceful of them are being copied today (see pages 88-93). Until the mid-Eighteenth Century, Lorraine chair-makers followed the Louis XIII pattern. German influence is traceable in Alsatian chairs, with their narrow backs and milking-stool legs thrust at an angle through the solid wood seats. Limousin produced a typical Louis XVI chair with a delicate spindle back, Provence both Louis XV and Louis XVI types. One popular model which has its counterpart in American furniture is the ladder-back settee. Coarser and plainer are the seats made for the rough mountain life of Auvergne, many of them geometric storage-benches.

Tables range from massive, straightlegged Seventeenth-Century models to graceful, aproned gaming tables with tapering cabriole legs. In Brittany, the


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trough-topped kneading table was the most popular; in Lorraine the long Renaissance-type table was retained well after it had disappeared elsewhere.

Standing clocks have an affinity for country houses. Some Provincial clocks have separate bases, others are single pieces. Rococo with pie-crust edges, paneled and violin-shaped models (the latter Norman and called demoiselles) are the counterpart of the grandfather clocks of England and America. Modern again in its dual purpose is the vaisselier-horloge from Bresse, which consists of an open-shelved dresser incorporating a belfry-like clock at one end. In all these clocks, the face was relatively small and unadorned, the case ingeniously elaborated.

According to statute, French Provincial furniture was decreed to be made of "sound, saleable wood, carefully grooved and joined and soberly ornamented." The latter concept, however, varies with the relative richness or poverty of the district. Some furniture carried punched patterns. Brass or polished steel hardware, especially in armoires, played an important ornamental role. Often the hinges are exaggeratedly tall and the key plates show elaborate fretting, while certain Provençal locks cover the entire upright of a cabinet door. Against the dark wood, this bright metal lends animation to what were otherwise somber interiors. Carving breaks up the bulk of big pieces such as armoires. In Burgundy and Dauphiné, the design is deeply incised. In Provence, it is shallower and the pattern is more suavely curved. In general, this genial region abhorred the
straight line, so we find many bombé fronts and serpentine outlines with s -shaped doors. Breton armoires often have diamond-point-design panels, or show a cresting centered the top. The straight-corniced Louis XVI Norman armoire is proudly built of oak and is carved with a fineness which compensates for occasional over-elaboration of design. Painting was also used to decorate furniture (mainly in Provence and in Alsace, the latter a lingering German influence). Crude but charming, it is more conventional than pictorial, often takes the form of scrolls or mottoes.

In the grace and invention of its display pieces, French Provincial furniture has no rivals. These shelves are sometimes suspended from the wall. Others are placed on larger chests or commodes. In the north of France, where dust is no problem, enormous open-top dressers were made which could display a whole service of bright peasant ware. There are shelves to hold copper and pewter and slatted racks for the brass milk cans in which cream was set to rise.

With its unassuming practicability, Provincial furniture holds a special interest for us today. It accords with the new concept of modern design where bleakness has given way to suavity and grace while its small scale is particularly suited to modern rooms. Its appreciation is relatively new, dating from just before World War I in France and from the 1920's in America. Within the last year, its widespread reproduction by American manufacturers points to a new direction in contemporary decoration.


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## SUMMER FURNITURE

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Here is more information on the summer furniture and accessories appearing on pages 102 to 107

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## Page 102

Furniture, Lee L. Woodard Sons.
Each section of the sofa $\$ 125 ; 48^{\prime \prime}$. diameter table $\$ 135$. Glass plate (on table) $\$ 23$ from Georg Jensen, Inc., New York.

## Page 103

Furniture, Bradley, Laurens \& Campbell.
Square dining table, $30^{\prime \prime} \times 30^{\prime \prime}$ with glass top, $\$ 115$; dining chair $\$ 25$; round table $\$ 67.50$ at J. L. Hudson Co. Detroit. Lacquered screen by Fornasetti $\$ 350$, House of Italian Handicrafts, New York. Royal Doulton candelabra $\$ 480$ pair, James Amster, New York. Antique Ginori flower pots $\$ 485$ pair, Elsie McNeill, Inc., New York. Wine pot $\$ 12.50$, W. Jay Saylor Co., New York.

## Page 104

Upper photograph
Furniture, Molla, Inc.
Easy chairs $\$ 87.50$ each; end table $\$ 39.50$; coffee table, all-white wrought iron, $\$ 57.50$ at Marc Antony, New Orleans. Black and white screen $\$ 350$, House of Italian Handicrafts, New York. Figure of cat $\$ 75$ and Venetian faïence head $\$ 90$, Old Versailles, New York.
Lower left photograph
Furniture, Gallo-Original Studio, Inc. Tête-à-Tête, with umbrella holder, finished in white, Pompeian green, Carib-
bean coral, \$92.50, John Wanamaker, New York.
Lower right sketch
Furniture, Lightfoot Studio,
Victorian dining set with table and four chairs $\$ 595$ at Jackson Furniture Company, Oakland.

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Upper sketch
Furniture, Heywood-Wakefield. Ashcraft tub chair, reversible cushion, $\$ 47.50$ at Jordan Marsh Co., Boston. Lower left photograph
Furniture, John B. Salterini.
Chaise, alternate colors on cushion, $\$ 306$; cocktail table $\$ 82.50$ at Bloomingdalc's, New York. Porcelain vase $\$ 450$, W. Jay Saylor Co., New York. Screen $\$ 350$, House of Italian Handicrafts, New York.
Lower right photograph
Furniture, Simmons Co.
Three, half-round, sectional pieces, covered in solid-color Goodall vinyl fabric, $\$ 189$ complete; round glass-top coffee table $\$ 75$, both designed by Edward J. Wormley, at Lit Brothers, Philadelphia. Tôle cache-pot $\$ 185$ pair, W. Jay Saylor Co., New York. Old Chinese bronze duck $\$ 72$, Gotham \& MacLaughlin, New York.

## Page 106

Upper left photograph
Furniture, LuJo Craft
Round table $\$ 34.95$; side chairs $\$ 17.95$ each; armchairs $\$ 19.95$ each; oblong table with tray $\$ 32.95$ at Loveman, Joseph \& Loeb, Birmingham. Silver lion $\$ 750$, Robert Ensko, Inc., New (Continued on page 185)


SUMMER FURNITURE continued

York. Antique floral vases, pair $\$ 335$ Elsie McNeill, Inc., New York. Gilt mirror \$90; French porcelain dish, gold with pink roses, $\$ 150$ pair, from James Amster, New York.
Upper right photograph
Furniture, The Troy Sunshade Company.
Chaise on wheels, covered in tree-pattern fabric, $\$ 85$; round table $\$ 19$, at The Rike-Kumler Co., Dayton. Center photograph
Furniture, The Troy Sunshade Company.
"Picnic" table $\$ 52.75$; snowflake umbrella $\$ 64.50$ at White House, San Francisco.
Lower sketch
Furniture, Ficks Reed Co.
Sofa bed $\$ 175$; sectional chair $\$ 65$; both covered in Canetex sail cloth.
Page 107
Upper photograph
Furniture, Ficks Reed Co.
Upholstered sectional pieces $\$ 85$ each section; double chaise with hood $\$ 250$ complete; serving cart $\$ 75$; flamecolored tray on stand $\$ 20$ complete; square table $\$ 75$. Glass vase (holding flowers) $\$ 10$, Designed for Living, New York.
Lower photograph
Furniture, Ficks Reed Co.
Sectional chair $\$ 65$; square table $\$ 75$; flame-colored tray on stand $\$ 20$ complete; armchair $\$ 45$; end table $\$ 16$.

Wallcovering, brick-design on white, $\$ 18$ roll, Katzenbach \& Warren, Inc.

Rug of hemp squares, $9^{\prime} \times 12^{\prime}$, natural, $\$ 74.95$, George Mallinson Importing Co., New York.
Table accessories: Yellow linen cocktail napkins $\$ 24$ a dozen, Leron, Inc., New York.
Glassware: Cocktail glasses $\$ 9.60$ a dozen; highball glasses, 14 -ounce capacity, $\$ 15$ a dozen; double old-fashioned glasses, 14-ounce capacity, $\$ 19.80$ a dozen; decanter $\$ 6$; pitcher $\$ 7$, U. S. Glass Co., Tiffin, Ohio.
Silver: sandwich plate (holding cheese) $\$ 45$; dish (holding crackers alone) $\$ 30$; entrée dish (holding tray and bowl set) $\$ 110$; tray and bowl set (holding mayonnaise and shrimps) $\$ 37.50$ complete. (All include $20 \%$ Federal Tax.) Reed \& Barton, Taunton, Massachusetts. Cocktail ladle (in pitcher) $\$ 10$ at Robert Ensko, Inc., New York. Serving tray (left, on cocktail table) $\$ 40$ including tax; ice bucket (on flame-colored tray, right) $\$ 25$ including tax; ash tray (left, on end table) $\$ 16.50$, including tax, Plummer, Ltd., New York.
Liquor on tray: Pleasant Valley Vermouth $\$ 1.28$ (including tax) at Beekman Wine \& Liquor, Inc., New York. Haig \& Haig pinch-bottle Scotch \$7.03 at Renfield Importers, Ltd., New York. Bellows Club Gin \$3.26. Harvey's Bristol Cream $\$ 6.25$. Old Style Bourbon $\$ 6.90$ from Sherry Wine \& Spirits Co., Inc., New York.
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Here is ditional information on the appearing on page 101
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"Coromandel," chinoiserie design by Marion Dorn, 50 " wide, $\$ 10.50$ yard,
Arthur H Lee $\&$, Arthur H. Lee \& Sons.* Scroll pattern armchair, $\$ 37.50$ by Molla, Inc.
"Stampede," outline of horses, "Cavalcade," groups of horses, all-cotton modern motif, both $48^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 2.75$ yard, by Doris and Leslie Tillett, Covington Fabrics Co. at the Dayton Co., Minneapolis; gold fabric, 50 " wide, $\$ 2.65$ yard, Waverly Fabrics. "Westgate," all-cotton Everglaze chintz, $36^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 2$ yard, Morton Sundour." Parakeet (front) and billiard green (center) serge, $54^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 6$ yard, both La France.
"Glen Modern," all-cotton plaid, a June Groff design, $54^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 4.50$ yard, Glendale Fabrics, Inc., at Carson Pirie Scott \& Co., Chicago. Chinese warrior figure of the Tang period, terra cotta, $24^{\prime \prime}$ high, $\$ 600$ a pair, Oriental Fine Arts, Inc., New York.
"Maya," Peruvian linen, designed in ten different colors, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 9$ yard, Morley-Fletcher, Ltd.*; gold fabric, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 2.65$ yard, Waverly Fabrics. Armchair in scroll-and-leaf pattern, \$30, Molla, Inc.
"Meadowbrook," "Meadowbrook Filler," both cotton, Vera design, 36 " wide, $\$ 3.75$ yard and $\$ 3$ yard, F. Schumach(Continued on page 188)


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Furniture: Salterini dull black table, $\$ 50$; matching chairs, $\$ 34$ each; Casco step stool, \$14.95.
Curtains: Ben Rose, custom-made, $\$ 10$ a yard.
Household appliances: Manning Bowman Twin-O-Matic waffle iron, $\$ 22.95$; Cobden Oster-Frapperizer, $\$ 39.50$; Samson Tandem toaster, $\$ 21.95$. Household utensils: Caloric griddle, $\$ 5$; Chemex coffee maker, $1 / 2$ gallon, \$12; Chemex tea kettle, $\$ 5$; Divine refrigerator dishes, $\$ 16.95$; Robeson self-sharpening case with knives,
$\$ 17.95$; Revere skillet, $8^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 4.75$; salad bowl with servers (set of 3 ), $\$ 50$; chrome and wood tray, $\$ 14$; salt and pepper mills, $\$ 8.50$ a pair; tole plate, $\$ 9$; silver plated vacuum bottle, $\$ 40$ (plus Federal tax) ; Barth-Art old fashioned glasses, $\$ 15.50 \mathrm{doz}$.
All the above merchandise can be purchased at W. \& J. Sloane in New York and San Francisco.

Accessories: Royal Crest sterling silver, Castle Rose pattern, 6 -piece place setting, $\$ 27.52$ (including tax), Empire Crafts, Newark, New York. China: Limoges luncheon plates, $\$ 39$ dozen; Mayhew Shop, New York; Winfield gray plaid cereal bowls and luncheon plates, each $\$ 24$ dozen, Designed for Living, New York. Linen: Fallani \& Cohn gray linen tablecloth, $54^{\prime \prime} \times 72^{\prime \prime}$ and 6 napkins, \$15. B. Altman \& Company, New York. Flower arrangement by Ann Hagan, New York.

## FABRICS continued


#### Abstract

er.* Faïence stove, $\$ 400$, W. Jay Saylor Co., New York. "Zoo," hand-printed glazed chintz, 36 " wide, $\$ 3.70$ yard, Greeff Fabrics.* Victorian mahogany side chair frame, $\$ 57.50$ in muslin, Harriet Sherry, Ltd., New York. Sculptured-grained plastic lamp base, hand woven "Batavia" grass cloth shade, complete \$35, Art Lamp Corp., Chicago. Chinese printed all-silk satin, light green ground, $48^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 15$ yard, Scalamandré Silks.* Formosa carved wood-


en figure $24^{\prime \prime}$ high, $\$ 250$, Oriental Fine Arts, Inc., New York.
"Lily of the Valley," Everglaze chintz with striped ground, $36^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 1.65$ yard, Cyrus Clark Co., at The City of Paris, San Francisco; billiard green serge, 54" wide, \$6, La France. Old French round metal clock, $\$ 345$ plus $20 \%$ Fed. Tax, W. \& J. Sloane, New York.
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## FRENCH PROVINCIAL continued

Here is more information on the French Provincial furniture and accessories on pages 88 to 93 .

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Page 88
Upper sketch
Furniture: Morgan Furniture Company, wing chair $\$ 149$; open armchair $\$ 89$; night stand $\$ 44.50$ at Macy's, San Francisco.
Lower photograph
Furniture: Jacques Bodart, Inc., Louis XV sofa (loose cushion) $\$ 745$ in muslin; Regency armchair (loose cushion) $\$ 365$ in muslin; Louis XV coffee table $\$ 235$; Louis XV commode $\$ 765$, available through your decorator or decorating departments of leading stores.

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Furniture: Company of Master Craftsmen, Inc., beech double bureau $\$ 325$; night table $\$ 60$; double bed $\$ 120$. Wallpaper: "Pastoral Scene," handprinted, $\$ 8.25$ roll, by Piazza Prints. Rug: Shalistan, white, $\$ 375$, W \& J Sloane, New York.
Flooring: "Kencork," cork tile, natural cork shades, 75 c per square foot, in stalled, David E. Kennedy, Inc. Accessories: Beige bedspread, $\$ 45$ single size, $\$ 53$ double size; bed puff $\$ 70$, Carlin Comforts, Inc., New York. Oxford box spring $\$ 44$, mattress $\$ 49.50$ at W \& J Sloane, New York. Louis XVI bulb bowl (on bureau) $\$ 90$; round fruit basket (on night table) $\$ 75$ pair
at W. Jay Saylor Co., New York. Pottery warriors $\$ 750$ the pair, Oriental Fine Arts, Inc., New York. Antique mirror $\$ 200$, James Amster, New York. Old French lamp base, Empire molding, carved wood, paper shade painted tête de nègre, $\$ 350$ a pair, complete, at Gotham \& MacLaughlin, New York.
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Furniture: De Gaal \& Walker, Inc., birch buffet with grilled doors $\$ 850$; dining table $\$ 375$; solid birch dining chair $\$ 95$ in muslin, $\$ 101$ in quilted chintz. Oxford, Ltd., upholstered wing host chair $\$ 158$ in muslin, $\$ 181$ in gray textured cotton. All furniture at Lord \& Taylor, New York; Rich's, Atlanta. Accessories from Lord \& Taylor, New York.

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Upper photograph
Furniture: Valentine Seaver Co., open armchairs, $\$ 249$ each. Widdicomb Furniture Co., sofa designed by T. H. Robsjohn-Gibbings, Koylon rubber construction, basket-weave wool fabric, \$373. Wesley Mfg. Co., cocktail table \$175. De Gaal \& Walker Inc., small commodes $\$ 225$ each. All furniture and accessories at Lord \& Taylor, New York.

## Lower sketch

Furniture: Drexel Furniture Company, vanity $\$ 119.50$; vanity bench $\$ 34.50$; side chair $\$ 39.50$ at L. S. Ayres \& Co., Indianapolis.
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Page 92
Upper left photograph Furniture: Dixon-Powdermaker Furniture Company, Inc., Orleans Collection, dining table $\$ 110$, Barker Brothers, Los Angeles. Antique Fruitwood Chairs, $\$ 750$ pair from James Amster. Wallcovering: Brick-designed on white, $\$ 18$ roll, Katzenbach \& Warren, Inc. Rug: "Cassandra," chartreuse, \$12.50 sq. yd., Bigelow-Sanford.
Accessories: Crockery steins $\$ 18$ the pair, Westport Antique Shop, New York. Brass urn $\$ 120$, Gotham \& MacLaughlin, New York.
Upper right photograph
Furniture: Robert W. Irwin Company, Pendleton Collection by Joseph B. Platt, single beds $\$ 79$ each; chiffonier $\$ 155$; Irwin custom-made night table, $\$ 100$. All furniture at John Wanamak er, New York.
Wallpaper: "Animal Kingdom," handprinted, $\$ 5.25$ roll, Piazza Prints.
Rug: Shagtone, rose ( $9^{\prime} \times 15^{\prime}$ ) $\$ 204$, F. Schumacher \& Co.

Accessories: Chairs covered in green pure silk, $\$ 1800$ the pair, The Connoisseur, Inc., New York. Small table (between chairs) $\$ 240$, James Amster, New York. Pair of French white, blue and gold cache-pots, $\$ 260$ the pair, Westport Antique Shop, New York. Provençal doll $\$ 165$; green decal lamp $\$ 100$; Austrian tea dish (used as ash tray) $\$ 60$; antique Marseille basket $\$ 400$; maps of Europe and Africa $\$ 175$ each, set of four, W. Jay Saylor Co., New York.

## Lower left photograph

Furniture: John Widdicomb Co., commode $\$ 365$, Chippendale bamboo armchair $\$ 189.50$, both from W. A. Hathaway, New York. Steinway \& Sons, New York, piano, $\$ 2240$.
Rug: Aubusson, $\$ 1200$, Ernest Traganowan, New York.
Accessories: Chairs covered in green pure silk, $\$ 1800$ pair at The Connoisseur, Inc., New York. Other accessories from W. Jay Saylor Co., New York.
Lower right photograph
Furniture: Robert W. Irwin Company, chest $\$ 249$, available through your decorator and decorating departments of leading stores. Antique chair, $\$ 750$ pair, James Amster, New York.
Wallpaper: "Yorkshire," $\$ 1.20$ the roll, York Wall Paper Company.
Rug: Cassandro, $\$ 12.50$ yd. BigelowSanford.
Accessories: White fruit bowl $\$ 125$, Old Versailles, New York. Small bowl $\$ 60$, Harriet Sherry Ltd., New York. Antique clock $\$ 195$, Jarvis House, N. Y.

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Center left photograph
Furniture: Bodart Furniture, Inc. walnut, 9 -drawer double commode $\$ 425$ at W \& J Sloane, San Francisco. John Widdicomb Co., slipper chair $\$ 165$ at J. W. Robinson Co., Los Angeles. Wallpaper: "Tulips," $\$ 15$ roll, Nancy McClelland.
Rug: Town \& Country, pine Moroc, $\$ 3.70$ sq. ft. at Klearflax, New York. Accessories: Antique mirror and stand $\$ 585$ complete, James Amster. Brass candlesticks \$48 pair, Gotham \& MacLaughlin, New York.
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Upper right photograph
Furniture: Dixon-Powdermaker Furniture Company, Inc., Orleans Collection, side chair $\$ 35$; commode $\$ 195$ at Carson Pirie Scott \& Co., Chicago.
Wallpaper: $\$ 4.50$ a roll, Cowtan \& Tout, New York.
Rug: Town \& Country, pine Moroc, $\$ 3.70$ sq. ft., Klearflax, New York. Accessories: Louis XVI barometer \$225, Elsie McNeill, Inc., New York. Pair of covered vegetable dishes (gold on silver) $\$ 6500$ for four, French \& Company, New York.
Lower right photograph
Furniture: Oxford Ltd., green velour side chair (with nail heads) $\$ 150$; blue print chair $\$ 224$. Kent of Grand Rapids, Inc., small cigarette table $\$ 65$; pair of end tables (walnut finish on cherry wood) $\$ 93.50$ each. Jacques Bodart, Inc., coffee table with olive green leather top $\$ 179$. Danby Co., writing table $\$ 159$. Meldan Furniture Co., night stand \$119. Jackson Upholstery, pink love seat $\$ 284$. All furniture and accessories at Macy's, New York.

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Good Lawns is a Scott pamphlet which contains condensed information about building new lawns and improving old ones. Written specifically for amateurs, the booklet describes Scotts Lawn Seed and Scotts Turf Builder, two important lawn-care products. O. M. Scott \& Sons Co., 49 Spring Street, Marysville, Ohio.

Vigoro Plant Food, Endo Pest and Endo Weed, three Swift \& Co. products respectively develop healthy plants, provide a garden defense and kill lawn weeds. In addition to the free pamphlets which describe these products "Vigoro Beauty Plans," an authoritative landscaping guide is available for 10 c from Swift \& Co., Union Stock Yards, Chicago 9, Illinois.
"Everything for the Garden" is the title of the 1948 Henderson catalog. Celebrating the 101st year of the company, the catalog lists 11 new annuals (shown in color), an impressive book-shelf-two pages of gardening booksa variety of vegetables, fruits and flow-ers-all beautifully pictured-and selections from the hardware department. Peter Henderson \& Co., Dept. 36, 35 Cortlandt Street, New York 7, N. Y.

## Kitchens

The G-E Sink is the subject of a useful booklet. Featured are the automatic dishwasher and drier and the Disposall, which deals with food wastes by shredding and flushing them away. Set into a background of attractive kitchen arrangements, the equipment is both pleasing to the eye and efficient. General Electric Co., HG 4, Bridgeport, Connecticut.
"An Invitation to Better Living" tells you about frozen food, its preparation, cooking and serving. The booklet explains Deepfreeze-the home freezer. Guide charts, illustrations and text show how to prepare fruits, vegetables and meats for home freezing. Deepfreeze models are illustrated and a buyers' chart shows their comparisons. Time guides for cooking frozen foods are listed. Deepfreeze care and installation instructions included. 10c. Deepfreeze Division, Motor Products Corp., HG 4, North Chicago, Ill.

## China \& Silver

Fiddle-back Patterns of Silver are shown in a folder which displays three favorites-Fiddle Thread, Fiddle Shell and Edward VII. The evolution of fiddle designs is explained, as is the origin of each of the ones shown. For additional information and folders write to Frank Smith Silver Co., HG 4, Gardner, Massachusetts.
"How to Be a Successful Hostess" is a guidebook for entertaining. Preparation, table settings and, of course, silver, provide the background. A discussion of linens, monograms, menus and use of various pieces of silver is included. The do's and 'don'ts of silver care are listed. 10 c in stamps. Reed \& Barton, HG 4, Taunton, Mass.
"The Story of Wedgwood" is a history of the life of Josiah Wedgwood and the English ware which bears his name. .The text carries through the life and times of this famous potter, and illus-

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trations elaborate the reading. Of special interest are pictures of the first Wedgwood pottery and the Wedgwood copy of the "Portland" Vase. The book is an excellent addition to any collector's library. 25c. Josiah Wedgwood \& Sons, Inc., HG 4, 162 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.

## Decorating

Five Steps to Home Decorating are contained in the Lees booklet, "What Goes With What." Decorative schemes are centered around favorite rug colors and furnishings throughout the house are co-ordinated. Color talks and themes for personalized rooms are included. 25c to Anne Mason, HG 4, James Lees \& Sons Co., Bridgeport, Pa.
Lightolier Fixtures are shown in a booklet illustrating full-color room settings, designed by nine A. I. D. decorators. Fixtures are scientifically designed and decorative as well. A variety of lighting fixtures enables you to select those which would harmonize best in your house. Notes describe lighting requirements for each room. 25 c . Lightolier, Inc., HG 4, 11 E. 36 St., New York, N. Y.

Imperial's Color Harmonizer solves color problems easily. Pattern, scale and color are explained and you are introduced to charts which have round color spots for rugs and color squares for wallpaper. There is a section on unifying your color scheme in draperies, chairs, rugs, sofas and accessories. Imperial washable wallpapers are pictured. 25c. Imperial Paper \& Color Corp., HG 4, Glens Falls, New York.
"American Informal" is a 20 -page booklet describing new groupings in furniture for living, dining room and bedroom. Designed and created by Tomlinson, American Informal is the name given to an American furniture style, the blending of straight lines and curves meeting in the same design. Four-color and maroon-toned engravings feature room settings and highlight individual group arrangements. 10c. Tomlinson of High Point, Inc., HG 4, High Point, North Carolina.
"18th Century Traditional" presents eleven groupings of furniture for bed and dining rooms. Notes explain and describe each selection and photographs not only display furniture but indicate how to arrange it. Among the period selections are such favorites as corner china cupboards, servers and a tester bed. A page is devoted to furniture care with special attention being centered upon the preservation and deepening of the patina. Two pages of sketches and notes give decorating
hints for the furniture shown. 10c. Drexel Furniture Co., HG 4, Drexel, North Carolina.
"The Romance of Habitant and Pine" is an interesting little booklet which tells the story of the beginnings of Habitant, a knotty pine furniture. Excerpts from the records of N. A. Eddy, founder of Habitant Shops, Inc., prove that although the furniture is comparatively new, its appeal has steadily increased. Designs are basically modeled after the furniture made by the American pioneers, and Habitant products incorporate improvements in design and construction. Habitant Shops, Inc., HG 4, Bay City 11, Mich.

## Heating

Home Heating Questions, the concern of the average householder, are answered in G-E's booklet, which also discusses air-conditioning, insulation and radiators. G-E Equipment is illustrated and diagrams explain the working procedures. 10c. General Electric Co., HG 4, Bloomfield, N. J.
"Comfort That Pays for Itself" is a booklet about Rock Wool insulation. A history of the development of home insulation is informative, and illustrations show the mechanics of installing Rock Wool which is blown into every insulatable area. Johns-Manville Corp., HG 4, 22 East 40th Street, New York 16, New York.

The Fitzgibbons Boiler is explained in a folder. Fitzgibbons "400 Series" steel boiler is illustrated and special features are high-lighted, among them the burner jacket, combustion chamber, Tanksaver, etc. Installation and operation are described, and there are notes on how to select a boiler. Booklet 401, Fitzgibbons Boiler Co., Inc., HG 4, 101 Park Ave., New York 17, New York.

## Doors \& Windows

Alwintite Double-Hung Windows, smartly styled, harmonize with any color theme or material. The windows are of aluminum, can be cleaned with a damp cloth. A pamphlet shows window effects adaptable to many houses. The Aluminum Window Corp., HG 4, 34-19 10th Street, Long Island City 1, New York.
"Enter Into Beauty" tells about Curtis doors and windows, which are manufactured in stock sizes designed to fulfill architectural specifications. Among other illustrated Curtis products are stairways, fireplaces, Colonial corner cupboards-all featured in attractive room settings. 10c. Curtis Co.'s Service Bureau, HG 4, Clinton, Iowa.
"A Gallery of American Windows" illustrates steel Venetian blinds, suitable to any room arrangement or décor. Room settings provide food for decorating thought and show the versatility of the blinds which match either formal or informal furnishings. A section explains the quality of these blinds. 10c. Acme Steel Co., HG 4, 2854 Archer Ave., Chicago.
"How to Plan Better Windows" is a booklet which gives specification and installation notes for Fenestra Steel Windows. Diagrams help explain such subjects as daylight areas, ventilation, wall space, appearance and special window arrangements. Sketches show corner, bay, picture, dormer and solar windows from interior views, and windows over built-in furnishings are also pictured. 10c. Detroit Steel Products, HG 4, 2250 East Grand Blvd., Detroit 11, Michigan.

## Miscellaneous

"Comfort Cool Your Home" describes the Chelsea attic fan, which circulates cool air through the house by drawing outside lower-temperature air in through windows and doors and circulating it through ceiling grilles. Diagrams and charts show how to select fans, installation methods, ceiling grilles, exhaust openings and fan operation. Chelsea Fan \& Blower Co., Inc., HG 4, 1206 Grove Street, Irvington 11, New Jersey.

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"Seven Servants" are combined in one machine, according to one little booklet which tells about the General T-12, an electric floor machine. This machine scrubs, waxes, polishes, buffs, dry cleans, refinishes and sands floors. It is driven by a precision-built motor, is lightweight, eas̀y to control. Photographs illustrate its work and extra attachments are shown. Detachable parts polish furniture, etc. General Floorcraft, Inc., HG 4, 333 Ave. of the Americas, New York, N. Y.

Ramuc Enamel for swimming pools is described in "Handbook of Painting Swimming Pools." The book discusses techniques and mixes, various coating tests, application of Ramuc enamel, colors, etc. 10c. Intertol Company, Inc., 484 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark, New Jersey.

Cedar Cabin Plans are presented in an attractive sketch book which shows typical Braun cedar interiors, exteriors and floor plans. Nineteen various plans are shown for families and sportsmen. These cabins are ideal for country houses and lodges. There is a section devoted to tourist cabins, multiple units and guest cabins. Braun specifications are included, and price lists and materials are given in a construction list. 25 c . Braun Lumber Company, Cedar Cabin Division, 1563 East Davison, Detroit 3, Michigan.

## WATCH YOUR STEPS

The average woman doing her own housework walks $111 / 2$ miles a day, and, unless she is an enthusiastic indoor hiker, she finds it both monotonous and wearisome. To most women, housework is a thankless, unsatisfactory job, repetitious, devoid of companionship (except for the radio soap opera and the grocery delivery boy).

During the war, most housewives were naïve enough to think that peace would bring with it employment agencies bursting with bright young women eager to re-enter our service entrances. We deluded ourselves into the belief that these same young women would be happy to exchange the strict discipline and routine of the factory for a life cushioned by Oriental rugs and surrounded by Limoges china. But those eager young women have not returned to preside over our brooms and our dustpans.

Today, we are confronted by the fact that in many cases the small household, formerly run by a single servant, is the burden of the unpaid housewife. And probably for the first time, she has taken the trouble to analyze her housework. Women have made the discovery that a well-run household requires as much planning and efficiency as a successful business. From firsthand experience, we know the amount of work involved, the approximate time for each chore and its relative
importance in the scheme of living. We are told repeatedly how easy it is with all the nice modern devices and electrical equipment provided for us. Unfortunately, helpful as the gadgets are, they do not entirely replace legs as a means of locomotion. Consequently, we have to find ways of saving steps, and it can be done by preliminary thought and planning. A trained nurse taught me how to make a bed without rushing from one side to the other as if I were playing tag with myself. This simple method is used in hospitals while the patient lies quietly in bed and the nurse moves around the bed, making each corner as she progresses. Some people also find it handy to tuck a dustcloth in an apron pocket, dusting the bed and adjacent furniture as they move around the room. Personally, I prefer to vacuum carpets and dust the floor before tackling the furniture, as the dust seems to rise and settle about the room, making dusting a double duty, done both before and after. Cleaning cloths and scouring powder, conveniently left in bathrooms, often encourage the user to be neat and tidy. (Men seem to like to polish things, especially if they shine almost immediately.) Of course, there is nothing so comforting as a family with habits of personal order, but it is so rare as to be practically extinct. (Continued on page 196)

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If possible, try to substitute plants for cut flowers, which require almost as much care as a baby. Carry your bouquets to the kitchen daily to remove faded petals and wilted leaves before they fall; clean out the bacteriafilled container and cut the stems. As the days go by and the stems get shorter you will transfer them to bowls of varying heights and sizes, and dream up new flower arrangements. The far simpler alternatives, plants, require less care and are apt to live longer. If you are devoted to the romance of candlelight, face the fact that you will spend your time scraping wax off floors and tables, and running about the house with a hot iron and a length of brown wrapping paper.

In these days, the finger-tip towel (exactly as it is described) has replaced mother's large heavy linen variety. Tablecloths of damask are used only for very formal parties and mats are taking their place. The problem of household laundry is therefore not quite the problem of yesterday. But there still are your own clothes. If you want to look well groomed, keep a folding sleeve board handy. It is easy to use, light to move and allows you to get at every crease in nothing flat.

Even if your storage space is limited, don't buy just one can or bottle of anything. You may not be snowed in for the winter, but families have a way of bringing friends home for dinner, and it is just as well to keep well stocked with staple items. It is a good idea to have on hand salad oil, herbs, seasonings, mayonnaise, rice, spaghetti, noodles, crackers, cookies, potato chips, tinned soups, vegetables, canned fish, non-alcoholic beverages and the "mixes"-all of which can be dressed up so they taste like dishes made from scratch. Olives and capers, pimentos
and pickles are fine for extras, but they won't soothe the pangs of hunger.

The layout of many kitchens can give you a feeling of helplessness. Sort your pots and pans and put the ones most frequently used in the front of the most accessible cabinet (frying pan, medium-size saucepan, tea kettle and pan for broiling). Keep the colander and sieve next to the sink. Have a handy rack for paper towels. Each household probably varies in the items most in use, so figure out a plan to save your steps. Paper spread on the table while paring fruits, vegetables, etc., makes it easier to collect the parings. A plate kept on the stove or nearby surface while cooking will hold the utensils needed for stirring, beating, etc., and keep your table clean. In cooking, place food which will need the least attention on the rear burners to eliminate needless stretching. Most of us have some quaint notions about an orderly kitchen while we are cooking. We wash each item as it is used. This may make your kitchen look like a picture from House \& Garden but it won't lengthen your life.

Those rubber plate drainers are as good as the shoemaker's elves who toiled while he slept. Just wash your dishes in plenty of soapsuds, rinse them with very hot water and leave them to dry, shiny and spotless in the rack. (Stand the rack on paper toweling to catch that bottom drip of water!)

Table setting comes about three times a day, so put your linen, silverware, glasses, salt and pepper containers, etc., in one convenient spot. Transfer everything in one motion on a large tray instead of making several trips from the sideboard or cabinet. At cleanup time, pile all of the dried dishes on the tray and replace them in one trip. A large, light tray is a great convenience, since meals may also be prepared and served individually from the kitchen. Plywood trays are excellent and can be repainted if their surfaces are damaged. They make it possible for you to have your meal in any part of the house you choose.

You don't have to live like the people in Looking Glass House, where as the Red Queen said, "It takes all the running you can do to keep in the same place.

Rosemary Kornfeld

## HOW TO PAINT

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flat paint you will need to "size" your wall first. (Sizing is the process of filling the pores in the surface.) This can be done with shellac or a mixture of the paint diluted with turpentine. The reason for "sizing" is to give a firm ground for the paint, because the underneath patches will absorb, and your finished coat will not be uniform.
5. Paints which have varnish in them should be brushed on in thin coats. It is wise to sand with number 00 sandpaper between coats for a smooth finish. It will remove particles of dust as well as any irregularities.
6. The direction of painting strokes depends on the direction of the light. The first coat can be in any direction, but
the "lay off" or final coat must be across the direction of the light. (In other words, if you have a window on the left and a door on the right, you must paint up and down, so the light will be across the paint stroke.)
7. You need one gallon of paint for every 500 square feet.
8. If you are planning a darker coat than the existing one, you will need two coats, if a lighter, probably only one. The reason is that the old driedout paint will have spots which will drink in the liquid (called "lining") and make lighter streak spots. If your new coat is dark, these light spots will show through in patches, so you must put a primer on first.


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[^8]When to pick fruits and vegetables
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In these days of Freedom Gardens, picking one's fruits and vegetables at the proper time is of utmost importance. Not only is the flavor dependent upon just the right degree of ripeness-but the digestibility and the total food value, including the vitamins and minerals, are locked up in this same factor. Thus, it is of paramount importance to know when our fruits and vegetables are ready for use. In fact, it is just as important for the city dweller who has no garden to know which ones to buy and which to leave alone for best results. While it is not possible to give full and complete directions that will cover every case, the following suggestions are a basic guide to harvesting and buying fruits and vegetables.

## FRUITS

APPLES-well-colored but still firm are best for most purposes. Slightly under ripe are better for cooking and for baking.
BLACKBERRIES-are "green" when red. Wait till they turn black and sample before picking. BLUEBERRIES-look
fresh berries with good color. Reddish, unripe; dull, lifeless, over-ripe. CHERRIES-taste is the best test for both sweet and sour. GRAPES-color up before ripe. Taste is the best guide.
PEACHES-blush is not the only sign of maturity. Look for yellowish glow and slight yielding to pressure. If
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gummy spots are present, peaches are likely to be wormy.
PEARS-should yield slightly to pressure at thick end. Color is not a reliable guide. Summer and fall pears should be picked when stem separates readily from branch. Leave winter pears on tree as long as practical or they will not ripen properly. Store in cool place for mellowing.
PLUMS-ready for eating when plump, well-colored and beginning to soften. Slightly firmer for canning. QUINCES-hard, green and astringent when immature. Should be golden or greenish-yellow but still firm when ready for use.
RASPBERRIES, RED AND BLACK -ready when they separate readily from the receptacles.
STRAWBERRIES-should be firm and properly colored. If over-ripe, are dull and lusterless. Picked with stem caps, they keep better.

## VEGETABLES

BEANS, LIMA-pick green limas before the seeds are fully grown. The pods should be a bright, fresh green and well-filled. Beware of shelled limas They do not keep well. BEANS, SHELL OR HORTICUL TURAL-pick before the pods are completely dry. Do not wait for the pods to color up. This does not occur in all cases.
BEANS, SNAP-best when they snap readily. If too young, may lack body

If too old, are tough. Beans age rapidly on the vines. If the seeds are half grown or larger, the pods are likely to be tough.
BEETS-select those of moderate size. Large, rough or cracked ones are likely to be both tasteless and woody. If you like tiny beets, there is no harm in picking them young.
BROCCOLI-also grows tough and woody if too old. Should not show flower color, although an occasional opened flower does no harm. Choose compact heads with the buds folded tightly. If you cannot use them all, give some away, but remove to force side shoots.
CABBAGE-look for heavy, solid heads. Soft ones may be immature and improperly filled out but they are still edible.
CARROTS-here again, those of moderate size are best, although young carrots removed in thinning may readily be used. Do not leave too long just to gain size, woodiness may result. Quick-ly-grown ones are most tender.
CAULIFLOWER-is best when the curd is heavy, firm and white or creamy before it begins to open.
CELERY-whether blanched or white, should snap readily. Pick while still of moderate size.
CORN-look for dried silk. Open husks slightly with thumbnails. If kernels are plump, pick and cook at once Loses sweetness rapidly after picking CUCUMBERS-pick while still firm (Continued on page 206)



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Because the most successful flower effects are planned primarily in terms of color, House \& Garden has compiled and will publish a series of keys to color planting. The list below is for that epitome of spring freshness, a green and white garden. It includes bulbs, flowers and shrubs and tells you when they will bloom. Forthcoming issues will itemize the plants needed for other equally effective color schemes.

\section*{APRIL}

Herbaceous perennials:
Arabis alpina, rock cress; Phlox subulata alba, white creeping phlox
Shrubs:
Magnolia stellata, starry magnolia Bulbs:

Galanthus nivalis; single Roman hyacinths; early white tulips; Frittilaria meleagris alba; Muscari botryoides alba; white narcissus

\section*{MAY}

Herbaceous perennials:
Iberis sempervirens, evergreen candytuft; Papaver nudicaule alba, white Iceland poppy; Viola cornus alba, white tufted pansy; Iris orientalis; peonies; Digitalis gloxinaeflora alba

\section*{Shrubs:}

Deutzia lemoinei; syringa, single white Marie le Graye lilac; Darwin tulips; Narcissus poeticus, poet's narcissus

\section*{JUNE}

Herbaceous perennials:
Galium mollugo; Lilium candidum; Clematis recta, herbaceous clematis; Chrysanthemum maximum, Shasta daisy; Phlox arendsi, great dwarf white
Shrubs:
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\section*{JULY}

Herbaceous perennials:
Gyposophila paniculata, baby's breath; Achillea ptarmica, pearl; Phlox suffruticosa, Miss Lingard, white
Shrubs:
Althea, pure white Jeanne d'Arc rose of Sharon
Bulbs:
Lilium speciosum album, white Japanese lily

AUGUST
Herbaceous perennials: Chrysanthemum uliginosum; hardy white phlox; hardy white dwarf phlox
Shrubs:
Althea, Jeanne d'Arc rose of Sharon, pure white
Bulbs:
Hyacinthus candicans, summerflowering hyacinth
SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER
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Not all of our gardening fingers are green. Some of us must confess to failure now and then. My two pet failures are Japanese anemones and large flowering clematis. Though I have tried them year after year, they simply do not like me, have no intention of flowering on my place, or, if they do flower once, give up the ghost shortly thereafter.

So it stirs me to no special endeavor when I read that now is the time to lift and divide these anemones. I have given them the damp, semi-shaded, slightly alkaline soil they seem to prefer, but when spring comes there are no live roots to divide. On the other hand, the one large-flowered clematis which remained with me for many years flourished in a soil condition contrary to all the directions: it grew, blossomed twice a year and waxed strong in an azalea bed, with nary a smidge of lime, which all the books say it positively must have.

The battle of thorns
Hybrid teas and other types of roses being uncovered, we now face the job of pruning them. It is the one time the hardy gardener condescends to wear gloves; leather gauntlets are best, and a leather windbreaker.

The battle of the thorns wages especially fierce when we tackle climbers. The old wood of clustered types can be cut back to the ground, the wood of large single flowers shortened and broken and weak wood cut away. Where possible, spread the canes of climbers horizontally, so that they will flower more heavily. Having pruned them, dig in a handful of general fertilizer. Since there is nothing conceivable to do with cut-off rose canes, consign them to the bonfire.

And while we are in a pruning mood, forsythia should be cut back now. To keep the bushes in hand, remove old wood right down to the ground. Cut back hydrangeas and buddleia. They soon form new tops and give plenty of large flowers in late summer. Evergreen hedges can now be pruned, before growth starts.

\section*{Set out and divide}

Early April is the time to set out magnolias and lilacs. Quite a group of lilies also go into the ground now-speciosum, regal, golden-banded, formosum and Henri especially. Old lily plantings prefer a mulch of rotted manure dug around them.

It's time now-or late next fallto lift and divide clumps of phlox, fall asters and goldenglow. When the little Iris cristata is finished blooming, lift and divide that too. It makes a sweet ground cover under shrubs.

\section*{Vegetables}

There's an old country saying that if we have a heavy fog in February we'll have a frost on the same days in May. I've never remembered to check that, being too busy in May to prove or disprove old wives' tales. But I do know the danger of rushing vegetable seed into the ground before the weather has made up its mind what it wants to do. Carrots, beets and spinach seem to take uncertain temperatures but I'd wait until the cold edge is off the air before setting out plants of cabbage, broccoli, lettuce and cauliflower. It is well to have some loose hay handy, to cover early vegetable plants and the first tender growth of regal lilies if the thermometer threatens to drop.

\section*{Michaelmas daisies}

Since our meadows are filled with fall asters, American gardeners do not generally grow the enlarged and refined varieties that are so popular in England. They are among the glories of the autumn garden, these Michaelmas daisies. Robust growers, they are greedy for moist soil-which they soon exhaust -and thrive better if lifted, divided and replanted each year.

Named varieties give us a choice of colors-crimson, China blue, lavender blue, intense blue with yellow eye, white, red with yellow centers, sunset pink, deep blue. They range from \(2^{\prime}\) to \(5^{\prime}\), are back-of-the-border plants.

Equally colorful, but for different garden spots, are the dwarf asters, which make soft mounds \(9^{\prime \prime}\) to \(1^{\prime}\) high. Excellent for front of border, their colors are shell pink, lavender blue, soft lilac, white, bright lilac pink.

As these two types start blooming in September-the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels comes the 29th-their companionate plants are chrysanthemums in various colors, rudbeckias in deep crimson or white, and tritomas.

Where space is available a whole border could be devoted to these late bloomers, making a brilliant display when other parts of the garden have grown dingy and tired. Thanks to the interest in new chrysanthemums, the fall garden is capturing attention.

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Pricking off, the term given to the first transplanting, must be done early. Crowded seedlings grow into spindly plants due to lack of light, and roots become entangled and injured. The general rule to follow is to begin pricking off when the seedlings have made their first "true" leaves. The two leaves appearing at sprouting time are the seed leaves. The next to appear are true, or permanent, leaves. When reset, the seed leaves must rest upon the soil. Flats are used for indoor transplanting. Use the soil mixture previously suggested and add a large tablespoonful of dried sheep or cow manure to each flat. When the soil is watered this goes into solution.

Time for seeding outdoors corresponds to the time for setting out plants. Sow the cool-weather crops first, half-hardy annuals next, and finally the tender seeds. Perennials and biennials required for flowering the following year are sown during June, July and August. Pricking off is just as important here as with indoor culture. With plants which do not transplant easily, such as the poppy family or vegetables in rows, thinning is practiced. The first thinning spaces the seedlings a couple of inches apart, the second operation establishes the proper distances for full development.

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Using starter solution after good soil preparation is much easier than the commonly recommended method of burying a band of dry fertilizer at each side of a row of newly planted seeds. Banding looks simple in photographs but actually involves a considerable amount of extra work. As for the oldtime method of scattering dry fertilizer directly in the planting row, it may cause root injury. The fertilizer comes too close to newly formed roots.

About three level tablespoons of a complete chemical fertilizer and a tablespoon of ground limestone, stirred into a gallon of water and permitted to stand for a few hours or overnight, will provide a satisfactory homemade liquid fertilizer. Some gardeners place the fertilizer in a mesh bag and let it hang in the proper quantity of water for a day or two.

The method recommended for applying a proprietary planting solution is, first, to follow carefully the manufacturer's direction for the dilution of his product. Then, as each young plant is set in its new location, pour a cupful of the weak fertilizing liquid on its roots. After that, pull loose soil over the roots without packing. But feeding can start before planting day arrives by applying a starter solution to the young plants in the pots or boxes a week or two prior to setting.

The other general use for liquid fertilizer is to maintain steady growth during the rest of the season. It is an excellent substitute for the often injurious and usually wasteful practice of side dressing growing crops with dry fertilizer which remains undissolved through dry periods and hence is of no value to the plants. Delays and accidents do not occur when liquid fertilizers are used because the plant food elements in them are in solution and thus capable of immediately feeding the plants. Even if some of the liquid fertilizer spills on the foliage no injury need result. (The teacup seems to be a common means of application.) In a liquid state considerably less chemical is applied. When dissolved in water, about one-quarter to one-third as much fertilizer is required to get results as when the same material is applied dry. As for over-feeding, it appears that when too much liquid fertilizer is applied, the plant fails to respond and is not seriously injured. Overdosing means only waste of material.

Liquid fertilizer is also valuable after prolonged rainy spells which have washed available nitrogen down through the soil. Prompt feeding after rain will cause normal growth to be resumed.

Liquid feeding can well be substituted for the application of dry chemicals whenever plant feeding from the top is necessary. Except for emergency conditions created by the weather, most garden plants growing in reasonably fertile soil-especially the perennial ones, both woody and herbaceous-will benefit from one, or possibly, two feedings a year. As with any other plant feeding, apply the liquid over the entire root system, or to the edge of the spread of the tops in most plants. As for trees (Continued on page 206)


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and shrubs, follow the customary method of punching holes in the soil and fill them with fertilizer in solution. Even the lawn can be fed with dissolved fertilizer, although the immense amount of water which has to be handled is something of a drawback. Most gardeners would prefer to watch the weather and feed dry materials before a rain, or rely on sprinklers to wash the fertilizers from the grass blades

To this fast and safe method of plant feeding should be added any practices which increase the water holding capacity of the soil and pro mote soil aeration. Mulching of the soil surface is made even more beneficial when the top is fed by the liquid method. Solutions can subsequently be poured through the litter.

\section*{WHEN TO PICK}
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and bright. Puffy or yellowish ones are over-age. No harm in picking young. LETTUCE, HEADING-begin using as soon as sizable head forms. Seed stalk usually accompanied by bitterness.
MELON, HONEYDEW-ripe when it attains a creamy-yellow color.
MELON, MUSK-should be picked when the blossom end yields under pressure of your finger and when fruits separate readily from stem with a slight twist.
ONIONS-suitable for cooking as soon as large enough to handle. Ripe when top dries and falls over.
PARSNIPS-leave until exposed to frost; can even be eaten the following spring since flavor is improved by cold weather.
PEAS-select when pods are wellfilled but not too firm. If dark green and flat, probably immature; if yellowish, too old. Taste to determine their state.
PEPPERS-can be used almost any time after they reach a reasonable size.
SALSIFY-like parsnips, their flavor is usually improved by low temperature but use them before they grow large and woody.
SPINACH-pick when leaves are fresh, crisp and of good color. Stocky plants are best. Can be used any time they are large enough to warrant picking and before seed stems appear.
SQUASH, SUMMER-should be of moderate size, fairly heavy, the rind easily punctured by thumbnail.
SQUASH, WINTER-soft rind often indicates immaturity. Look for solidity, too, but harvest before frost and put under cover.
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\(Y^{\text {oung plants from cuttings may be }}\) seriously injured by being held too long in the propagating bench. Remember that in sand there is none of the nourishment so necessary to young plants. As soon as the new roots are half an inch to an inch in length, the plants should be potted up. The same care must be given small potted cuttings. Once or twice a week knock a few of them out of the pots to see if roots are showing at the edge of the soil mass. If they are conspicuous and numerous, it is time to shift the plants to a larger sized pot.

Large plants in large pots are not readily shifted and may not benefit materially by the change; it may even be a permanent setback. Usually a liquid feeding of commercial fertilizer soaked overnight in water will give them needed nourishment. Liquid manure feed is excellent, of course, and can be given much more frequently than the commercial fertilizer feedings.

It takes effort not to get behind with greenhouse work in April and May. Everything seems to want to bloom at once; everything seems to need watering or feeding at one time; everything seems to need repotting on the same day. An extra pair of hands for a few days can do wonders and save many plants.

Greater care needs to be exercised in watering from now on, because very much more water will be used. Make every effort to keep the water in the pots, on the benches, or on the soil. Splashing may cause immediate spoilage of foliage. Leaves going into the night in a damp condition are extremely susceptible to disease and fungus attack. When a day turns cloudy after you syringe or spray plants, shake them to dislodge as much water as possible from the foliage and give them every chance to dry before night.

An excellent shading material is a mixture of whiting, oil and water. In a pail add whiting and water alternately, constantly stirring to maintain a consistency of cake dough. When the pail is a little more than half full pour in one to one and one-half pints of oilmotor, crankcase or any inexpensive kind. Stir thoroughly till all trace of oil is gone and mixture becomes creamy. Let stand overnight. Next day, pump the mixture into a third of a barrel of water and paddle it until no thicknesses or masses remain. Spray this thinly on outside of greenhousethe smaller the drop the better it will adhere to the glass. Let one application dry before adding another so as not to get the shading too thick or heavy. The oil will make the shading stick through several rains.

It is a nuisance to shade the under side of glass, unless the shading is to be permanent. A coating of almost anything on the under side of glass is most difficult to remove. The whiting-oil-water combination, if applied to the inside of a greenhouse, will need to be removed by a brushing by handa mean, dirty, slow, tiresome job. Rains and frost will take it off the outside of
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comes wet and disease is invited. By May the nights have warmed up considerably and from then on perhaps no more artificial heat is necessary. It is risky to shut down the heating plant too soon, even though daytime temperatures are high and spring seems to have arrived. Keeping some heat in the pipe lines through April often permits leaving the ventilators open a few inches all night, which is highly beneficial to the plants, providing it can be done without direct draft anywhere in the greenhouse.

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December seeding
Plants in solid bed

\section*{utings}

Lift temperature a little to
Brought in to \(45^{\circ}\) in Janu-
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Hold them a little cool to etain flowers

Pinch and shift as needed

Cuttings to come from stock plants started growing in Sow into flats where plants are to bloom

Gypsophila Sow seed

April operation Flowering Flowering lowering ow seed

Blooming Take cuttings
looming
ooming
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