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# Going places, finding things in the Pyrenees 

The romantic and relatively untraveled land of the Basque will offer you a regional cuisine unavailable in Paris and the unique crafts of a culture that's older than anyone knows

by Jane and Ira Avery



EDITOR'S NOTE: As a free-lance -and foot-loose-team of writers about food and travel, Jane and Ira Avery are the authors of "W here Should We Eat in Italy?" and the forthcoming "Where Should We Eat in France?" both from Collier Books. When not on one of their enviable gastronomic tours, the Averys live in a remodeled shore house in Connecticut.

Some time before 500 B.C. the Ligurians and the Iberians concluded that the Pyrenees were a pretty good thing, but they apparently saw no logical reason for sharing with each other. From that time on, generations of various peoples devoted much time and armaments to relieving one another of possession until Romans, Visigoths, Moors, Franks, Normans, feudal dukes, English, Spanish and finally the French had each had a fair turn, paving the way for the current invasion by motorized divisions of homo touriensis Americanus.

The 270 -mile stretch of Pyrenean natural architecture-from coastal hills, beaches, valleys and snow pockets to mid-range soaring peaks and majestic glacial amphi-theatres-joins France to Spain. "Joins" is the operative word, rather than "separates," since the dwellers along the high frontier are more akin to one another than to their respective formal governments, bound among other things by a community of interest known informally as smuggling. This lively profession has held supremacy for so long that its proud practitioners may be forgiven if they regard the upstart business of tourism with a certain amount of suspicious jealousy.

It is admitted that the Alps are higher, the Rockies are rockier, the Dolomites sheerer, the Himalayas more terrifying, the

Apennines more serene and the Andes grander than the Pyrenees, but none has slopes and foothills and passes more peppered with spas, sites of bloody battles, resorts, châteaux, abruptly contrasting vistas and noble birthplaces. The heroes of these spectacular regions are giants: Charlemagne, the warrior-king; Roland, who carved a great breach in the mountains trying to break his sword so it wouldn't be captured by the infidels; Perkain, the mighty champion at pelote, a sport that is to the Basques what baseball is to Americans, but infinitely more vigorous; and Jeanne d'Albret, the redoubtable mother of Henri IV, who left the battlefield only long enough to bear her son. Tourists who are merely footsore should expect little sympathy from the descendants of such epic figures.

A good place to begin your Basque journey is, as we did, in a small rented car at Bayonne. The more typical Basque land-

Basque dancer executes the characteristic leap of foll dance while fife-and-drummers in indigenous berets accompany him
scape is still ahead, but Bayonne provides attractions in its own right. In the ancient alleys of the miniature old walled town are shops offering such delectables as the world-famous local chocolate (this keeps well enough to mail home) and the robust hams that give their salty tang to so many of the native dishes. And in contrast to things mundane, there is a Gothic cathedral begun in 1213.

Two museums in Bayonne are musts. The Musée Bonnat, Rue Jacques-LaFitte, is the gift of the native painter, Léon Bonnat, and contains paintings by Rubens, Rembrandt, Murillo and many others, along with an impressive collection of drawings, including eighty-seven by Delacroix. The Musée Basque, Rue Marengo, offers a wonderful appetizer for the feast of pleasures ahead of you. A treasure house of Basque culture, its costume displays are extraordinary, as are the replica tableaux of farmhouse interiors. The Basque farmhouse, often ac-

commodating several families presided over by a patriarch, is very simply arranged with sturdy oak or cherry furniture, including a no-nonsense type of chest called a kutcha that has been in the family for hundreds of years and is unduplicated today.

Just across the River Nive from the Musée Bonnat is the Restaurant Le Farnié, convenient to the highway leading southward to Biarritz. Its cream-colored walls are lined with paintings and bullfight posters, and its tables are laden with broad baskets of fresh native fruits and melons. Le Farnie happens to specialize in, of all things, Italian food, but the menu also contains a few indigenous creations such as Poulet Bas quaise, grilled chicken with a hearty sauce of peppers, tomatoes and Bayonne ham; Chipirones or stuffed cuttlefish for the adventurous; and a dessert of bananas flaming in Izarra, the spicy local liqueur. (Izarra is not to be confused with izard, which is the name of a mountain goat that, because of his nimble hooves, appears on a restaurant bill of fare only very rarely.)

## Baroque Biarritz

Farther down the excellent highway is the high-fashion seaside resort of Biarritz, still removed from the primitive picturesqueness to be found later along sinuous mountain roads, but a major attraction for its peculiarly bulbous Baroque architecture, its large casino, fine golf facilities, sprawling sand beaches and contorted rock formations. The ornate palace built here by Napoleon III for his Eugénie in 1854 catapulted Biarritz to instant fame and a life of stylish frivolity, exactly suited to the taste of the same Empress

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## WHATS NEW FOR LIVING

At the Decoration and Design Show held in New York last October, leading interior designers from all over the country exhibited room settings that are certain to be trend makers. The exhibition was also a showcase for new home furnishings products, and abounded with ideas that might be adapted to any budget.

THE MAN OF THE HOUSE-his pleasures and pastimes at home-was given special attention throughout the show. Rooms and furnishings for his leisure hours included: - A new round walnut poker table 63 inches in diameter, covered with moss green felt. It was fitted for six players with chip trays and pull-out slides for holding ashtrays and glasses. Table, $\$ 1,000$. High back, man-sized swivel chairs ( $\$ 360$ each) promised comfort for poker players. Jens Risom Design Inc., 444 Madison Ave., New York 22, IJ.Y. - A streamlined billiard table covered in bright blue felt that made the traditional table look decidedly old hat. The newcomer was the high light of a room designed by David Barrett which was unmistakably for a man-it had a color scheme of black, blue and white; hunting trophies on the walls; built-in-bar. Billiard table, completely fitted and installed, \$1,400. Brunswick Corp., 190 Sylvan Ave., Englewood, N.J.

music installations pointed up the growing trend back to rooms devoted to the enjoyment of music, as well as music-entertainment walls in living and family rooms or in one-room apartments.

- A flexible, free-standing wall custom-designed by Ethyl Alper held stereo and hi-fi components, bar equipment, linens and what have you. Constructed of ash and
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hanging cabinets with lighting underneath created much interest. Lighting from below seemed to make the cases float in the air. - By hanging a cabinet against a mirrored wall, for instance, more space was added to a dining room. On the case the designer, Virginia Whitmore Kelly, had effectively wired a sculpture arrangement for lighting.
space-saving devices of all kinds offered a variety of solutions to one of the most common decorating challenges: how to get the most living space out of limited quarters. - Built-in desk, storage headboard and lighting fixtures were important space-gaining elements in the compact one-room apartment that John Van Koert designed with a young careerist in mind. A Hide-A-Bed loveseat was placed against the opposite wall for daytime seating and sleeping accommodations for an overnight guest. The Simmons Co., 1 Park Ave., New York, N. Y.
- A traditional sleep sofa and a floating storage case lighted from underneath gave extra livability to an informal country living room by John Bachstein, Chesapeake-Siegel-Land, Inc., 317 E. 34th St., New York, N.Y.
crewel embroidery has been enjoying a renaissance, both as a major decorative element in a room and as an accent on a pillow or footstool. (See Crewel, page 96.) At the Decoration and Design Show it appeared in some very contemporary applications. Window shades of crewel marked a brandnew way of using this traditional material. The crewel, hand-embroidered in wool on linen by Scalamandré, had been laminated to a window shade cloth. In a formal living room created by Frederick W. Davis, three window shades of crewel used together made a handsome window wall, and the crewel was repeated as a cover on a wing chair.


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## How to break the food-and-drink:

rules with poise By James A. Beard

In food and drink, what goes with what? Be assured that there is no end of authorities only too willing to lay down the regulations for you. I once heard a wine expert say that although Chateau La Tour 1945 would do with roast Mallard duck, it was not up to the 1896 vintage. Less quaint but equally opinionated experts insist that you must never drink white wine with any cheese, or that you should adhere to the time-honored rules: red wine with red meat, white wine with white meat and fish, and rosé when in doubt.

All of this is regrettable. Good dining should be a personal adventure, never an exercise in rigid discipline. An alcoholic beverage should be chosen not only to go with the food but also to enhance the mood, the time and the place. And don't be afraid to please your own tastebuds. As a starting point for your own personal rule-breaking, here are one man's food-and-drink thoughts.

Chicken. There has always been disagreement about what wine goes with chicken. Some authorities insist it should be accompanied by a red wine. To me, a chicken dish that is creamy clashes with red wine, in texture and in taste. A nice dryish white seems most appropriate.

A hearty roast chicken, crisp and buttery with truffles under the skin, is excellent with a good red Bordeaux. But with cold chicken, you will find a fine white wine most complementary

What about our American spe-cialty-crisp crusty Southern fried chicken or a country chicken fried
in bacon fat and served with bacon strips, mashed potatoes and creamy gravy? These are among the few dishes that call for a rosé. It should be brisk, dry and well chilled. Or you might enjoy a cooled Beaujolais; this light red has the fruitiness to contrast with fried chicken and the acid to cut its richness. A chilled Valpolicella from Italy is another good choice, as is the Grenache rosé from California or the Mountain Zinfandel.
turkey. Our native bird has been teamed with a wide variety of drinks. For years, before Americans became knowledgeable
about wines, sparkling Burgundy was chosen as the traditional holiday beverage to be served with stuffed turkey. Many still swear by champagne, feeling that this bubbly wine offsets the stuffing, gravy, sweet potatoes and relishes that are part of our holiday dinner. Certainly, if you are serving cranberries-the enemy of wine-champagne is a good choice, for it can withstand the tart sweetness of cranberry sauce. Otherwise, try a good old-fashioned hard cider.
beef. A hearty Burgundy or Rhône red are both fine with broiled steak, but on some occasions a tangy beer or ale seems just right with broiled sirloin or a rib of pink-rare roast beef.
veal. According to the charts. veal calls for white wine. If you are dining on blanquette de veau with its delicate white sauce and slightly tart flavor, a soft white on the dry side seems best. And with that delectable summer veal dish, vitello tonnato, or with a cold jellied veal, I vote for a Soave from Italy or a Grey Riesling from California. But, if you eat a sauté of veal with bacon, tiny onions, salt pork and a rich hearty sauce, try a good fruity red-a Beaujolais, lightly chilled, or a light Burgundy.
salmon. White wine is traditional with fish dishes and, certainly, fish with a delicate, creamy or buttery sauce such as beurre
blanc or Hollandaise needs a soft dry white. But many other fish dishes are happy with beer or even red wine. People who are fond of salmon often prefer beer to wine with it, for beer seems to go with the rich meaty quality of this fish. However, certain salmon dishes prepared with red wine-for example, salmon steaks braised in red wine, or salmon stuffed with a fine forcemeat and cooked in red wine-are excellent served with a light red wine.
oysters and clams. Oyster lovers are devout and vociferous in their opinions concerning the right accompanying drink. Many Britishers insist on stout with oysters, and if you haven't tried oysters with stout, it's time you did. Also try a good light beer with a plate of oysters, lemon, freshly grated horseradish and brown bread and butter. To many palates this is a far tastier combination than a brisk white wine such as a Chablis or a Muscadet with oysters.

I feel that raw clams ruin a good wine. Beer seems to be the best choice with clams
Cheese. In general, the rule that discourages serving white wine with cheese is sound, when it comes to a strong cheese. A good gutsy cheese deserves a fine red wine or, failing that, yood beer, ale or stout. But with cream cheese, and some mild cheeses, white wine can be very good.

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## Notes

 for the HostessBY DIANA BRYAN

A window display on Madison Avenue has given me an idea for lighting up our New Year's party. Instead of having a fire in the fireplace, I am going to stand fat candles of different heights, shapes and colors in the hearth. Lighted, they will not only cast a warm glow, but look very gala. I might tuck a few pine-scented ones in the group, to add to the atmosphere. And I have decided while I'm at it to resurrect my summer hurricane lamps, the ones from the dime store that are on aluminum poles, and impale them right outside my living room windows, so that my guests can have the pleasure of looking at sparkling lights outside as well as in.

When Mrs. Ellsworth entertained our local League of Women Voters at tea the other day, gracing her table was the most magnificent Waterford crystal boat bowl I ever saw. It was 14 inches high, a splendid reproduction of a classical design made with the same expertise that has always given Waterford crystal its noble reputation. Although Mrs. E. found her treasure at Bullock's in Los Angeles, this fine Irish glass may be ordered through most good china and glass stores and many jewelers. This bowl is certainly beautiful enough to be used without benefit of trimmings. But if I should ever own one like it, I'd love to fill it with garnet rosebuds and bunches of rosy champagne grapes, those fantastically minute grapes from the West Coast. What a deluxe table I'd set around it, with white candles in my crystal candlesticks and champagne in my new tulip glasses.

A house guest we had recently sent me the most splendid present -a large box of Old Kinderhook brand apples, each one worthy of winning its own blue ribbon at a State Fair. Packed twenty-four to a box, they are of the quality from which apple legends descend: de-
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Mexican beer glasses

It occurred to one of our most practical neighbors, who also has a statistical bent, that among thirty families in our vicinity we had enough potential brides and debutantes that it might be more sensible for us to buy a handsome marquee co-operatively, rather than each of us having to rent one when we needed it. It seems like a smart idea to Don and me. The only flaw I can see is the possibility of two families planning a Great Occasion on the same day, but certainly this could be worked out. And as long as our friend is willing to store the marquee in his barn, I hope he'll go ahead and organize his joint ownership idea.


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BY THOMAS H. ORMSBEE

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Can you name this piece of antique furniture? It is of solid walnut and hand-carved. Is it a wine cabinet? M.J.B.-Hickory, N. C.

It is a most unusual and elaborate American Victorian side wall sewing cabinet, made between 1865 and 1875. It was probably a special order since no furniture factories made cabinets like this one.

My old English clock is signed on both the dial and back plate "Sam'l Atkins, London." Can you give me this maker's dates?
J.D.R.-Alexandria, Va.

The record states that Samuel Atkins worked in London as a clockmaker from 1756 to 1766 .

An antique dealer told me this Scotsman figurine is Staffordshire. It is not marked. What is your opinion?
M.S.K.-Grand Haven, Mich.

The antique dealer is right. Between 1840 and 1860 several Staffordshire potteries made Victorian figurines, some in Scotch costume, usually without a mark.

Although in fine condition, this milking stool is said to date about 1820. It is of pine with no nails or screws. Your comments would be appreciated. R.F.S.-Amissville, Va.

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How happy these things make us-as $\mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{G}$ has pointed out before-depends entirely on the acuity of our awareness. If our perceptions are lively and our senses on the alert, we don't need to be told we are happy. But if they have fallen asleep, we might as well be destitute. To wake them up, $\mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{G}$ suggests not an increase in stimulants but a new scrutiny of the simpler, older, humbler things about us - "the little things," as the poet Rilke defined them, "that can so unexpectedly become big and beyond measuring."

To that end, we have commissioned some of today's finest writers-in-English - men and women, poets, novelists, playwrights, essayists, natives of three continents - to set down the thoughts and emotions stirred in them by the common tools and utensils, the elemental foods and materials that go so often unseen, unvalued, unenjoyed. The returns are now in - an engaging collection of perceptive, heart-warming, eye-opening essays. We are happy to announce that this series, an $H \& G$ bonus which will run throughout 1963 , begins in this issue on page 70 with "The Teakettle" by Elizabeth Bowen.

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he quiet supper by the fire . . . the long balmy weekend dedicated to planting spring bulbs . . . the afternoon of uninterrupted concentration on the intricacies of making puff paste . . . the solitary evening with a book, a pile of records . . . the absorbed hours at the easel, the sewing machine, the power saw . . . the late, slow, off-diet Sunday breakfast . . . the crazy boisterous game of parcheesi with the children. These are what we look forward to as we go home - the antidotes we count on to dissolve the tensions accumulated in the world beyond our doorsteps. But there is all too likely to be a big gap between the anticipation and the reality. For tranquillity at home, like peace among nations, rarely happens by accident. You have to work at both with determination, intelligence and understanding. $H \& G$ believes that a tranquil home is not only worth working for but that, in this year 1963, it is possibly the most effective contribution any family can make towards meeting the awesome, tricky, so often baffling challenge to achieve peace in the world.

By tranquillity we emphatically do not mean the state which Alfred North Whitehead called the "bastard substitute" for peace - namely, anesthesia. A home which is merely soporific is no better than a hospital. For home is a place to work and to play as well as to rest, a place for activity-but activity minus agitation. The most peaceful household in town may well be the busiest and the liveliest, simply because the energies and enthusiasms of its members are uninhibited by frustrations, distractions and discord. A household that is truly tranquil takes goings and comings, noise and quiet, youngsters and oldsters, guests and the lack of them, all in competent stride. There are rarely any crises because the household is geared to cope with the emergencies that spark crises before they have time to blow up.

Perhaps this description would seem to apply more properly to human personalities than to the houses in which they live. Without doubt, true serenity comes from within. "When there is no commotion and agitation in a man's mind," said Hung Tzuch'eng, "he finds every place as peaceful as a verdant hill or a green tree." But most of us have yet to attain that level of constant, invulnerable personal tranquillity (the secret of which is not quite within the province of $\mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{G}$ ). Meanwhile, we need all the help we can get for preserving, nurturing and expanding whatever inward peace we may have. And a home designed with built-in tranquillity can help a great deal.

6 This is the true nature of home-it is the place of Peace; the shelter, not only from all injury, but from all terror, doubt, and division. 97

John Ruskin

## TRANOUILLITY

 AT HOME


## What gives a house built-in tranquillity?

Love, of course, is the most powerful tranquilizer of all. In the presence of people wê love even during passing moments of altercation-we shed automatically the tension of our relationships with the rest of mankind. By the same token, the knots in our psyches begin to loosen when our eyes come to rest on the things we love-the paintings, the books, the musical instruments, the antiques, or simply the colors, the patterns, the objects of daily use. The home we love intensely will inevitably calm our spirits the minute we walk in the door regardless of how much it appeals (or doesn't) to anyone else.

The familiar is always reassuring. It fosters confidence. And confidence breeds serenity. Nothing is more bewildering to a child than a house that never settles down. Few things are more disconcerting to his father than to come home at night and find that his favorite chair or the living room sofa or the dresser in his bedroom has inexplicably strayed from its accustomed spot. Continual capricious change as well as sudden sweeping change both threaten tranquillity, which is far better served by gradual evolution towards a thought-out long-range goal. The change that satisfies and refreshes always retains something of the old to shed its mellowness on the new.

Freedom for the personal pursuit of happiness tends to relax the emotions. We know the key to human harmony is due thought for others' welfare. Yet who doesn't breathe more easily where he knows he can do what he wants, whenever he wants to do it? Where he can have companionship when he feels like it, privacy when he doesn't, where he can rise at dawn or sleep until noon, work or play or entertain guests without disturbing or depriving those whose well-being he holds dear. A house designed with built-in tranquillity allows conscience-free independence to both generations, both sexes. And along with individual independence it promotes individual self-sufficiency, thus reducing to a minimum such disturbers of peace as
the questions: Where's the Scotch tape? How can I fix the door handle when I can't find the screwdriver? What did you do with my black tie and cummerbund? My galoshes? My tennis balls? My skates? Can you remember where we put the receipted bill for fixing the roof?

A reasonable degree of order is essential to almost everyone's peace of mind, since order signifies victory over chaos. But too much order can be almost as frightening as chaos. Even those who are neater than most are chilled by a room that seems to predict disaster for anyone who dares spread out a newspaper, move an ashtray or lounge back against the precisely plumped cushion. All the order the majority of us ask for is clear evidence that people are in control of things.

## A feeling of closeness to nature is satisfying to the spirit-

as long as we know we are well sheltered from nature's excesses. The white blanket of winter, the green buds of spring, the blue of the far horizon-all delight, refresh and restore. No doubt that is why modern improvements in building materials and heating systems have been followed so closely by an increase in room-wide transparent walls.

These psychological values are each the result of many dif-
ferent things-some as basic as the orientation and plan of the house, some as seemingly insignificant as where we keep the string or where our daily helper hangs her hat. (For wise handling of such matters, see page 72.) Other aspects of our surroundings that contribute to tranquillity work through the direct route of the senses, as you will see in some of the rooms on the next eight pages. The big point is that a cool analysis of the things that cheat us of serenity, a determined and resourceful attempt to correct them and a perceptive appraisal of the beauty that delights and refreshes can go a long way toward making home what we all yearn for home to be-"the place of Peace."



Above
PHOTOGRAPHS: GRIGSBY, DE GENNARO
Sound control is indispensable to an atmosphere of serenity. You could hardly hope in this automated age to kill all noises. But you can take aim at the most disturbing offenders-sharp, sudden noises and nearby clatter. The first type might well turn out to be the voice of a piece of equipment (plumbing, heating) crying for repair. The second may be effectively muffled in the room where it originates by a background of soft, sound-absorptive materials that refuse to reverberate. This living room is full of such mufflers; the two upholstered sofas with their generous complement of pillows; the shaggy textured rug; ceiling-to-floor, wall-to-wall curtains at the unseen window back of the sofa on the right; the rows of leather-bound books. All together they create a pleasant hush that can do a great deal to compensate for uncontrollable noises in the distance. Designed by Barbara d'Arcy of Bloomingdale's. (For an effectively sound-controlled kitchen, turn to page 84.)

Right
Color calms the spirit to the same degree that it delights the eyes. The color you love best, whatever it may be, is certain to induce a mood of purring contentment in you, however provocative it may seem to your next-door neighbor. But everything else being equal, most people find close harmonies of related hues more relaxing than lively contrasts. For instance, the two broad areas of color in architect Jack Lionel Warner's Santa Barbara living room are the golden apricot of the rug and the closely allied yellow gold of the seventeenth-century Japanese screen. Almost everything else is cool, quiet white with just enough seasoning of black to keep the room from being overly bland and monotonous. The two end tables are stone capitals that were found in an ancient ruin in Guadalajara, Mexico. Interior designed by Gwendolyn Rowan Warner.




Above
GRIGSBY
The practice of an art or craft is an approved road to serenity for anyone whose days are crowded with quite different matters. But if you have to set up all your paraphernalia every time you are inspired to pick up a brush or needle (and clear away afterwards), your moments of creative relaxation are bound to be limited. The accoutrements of the artist or craftsman are not so undecorative, however, that they could not be given a permanent corner in the living room, the dining room, or an upstairs sitting room like this one. Roman shade that pulls up from the bottom of the window is excellent for controlling the painter's light, makes an attractive wall panel when drawn all the way to the top after dark. Designed by Barbara D'Arcy of Bloomingdale's.

Opposite page
A secluded corner in which to concentrate is the dream of everyone who has deskwork to do at home-and well worth whatever effort it may take to make room for it. In this study center you could work in self-sufficient solitude from dawn to bedtime if need be, since one corner of the room, bottom of page, is equipped as a minute kitchen, has a pass-through over the sink. The kidney-shaped desk of ebony-trimmed rosewood swivels on its pedestal of cast aluminum so that it can be turned around at lunchtime to a position more convenient for dining. Acrilan carpeting muffles incidental sounds, creates a gently hushed atmosphere. In the alcove, top of page, which can be closed off by a sliding section of the walnut wall, is General Electric's experimental sight-and-sound center. Room designed by Vladimir Kagan for Chemstrand, Decoration and Design, 1963.


## THE GREATEST NERVE-EASER FOR BOTH GENERATIONS:

## A room the children can keep in order themselves

The civilization of small boys (of small girls, too) is a non-stop process of reminding, admonishing and insisting, which imposes as much discipline on you, the civilizer, as on the objects of your concern. Let something slip by once or twice, for the sake of a few minutes' respite, and your cause is set back six months. A safer route to a more durable peace-yours, the children's and that of everyone within earshot-would be to cut down on the provocations for nagging, to make it easier, in other words, for the children to do what you ask. If you want a child to keep his room in order, an anti-nagging formula would call for oceans of storage, much of it open to instant view; a legalized home for collections (whatever their nature) where they will always be visible; uncramped housing for such closet-wrecking items as baseball bats and soccer balls; and plenty of table or counter space where scale models or cherished constructions can be left intact and inviolable. The room on these pages, designed for two boys under 12, boasts all these virtues and more.
the good psychology of an even-Stephen arrangement (see opposite page, TOP) is undeniable: When each boy has identical furniture, identical display space, identical storage, there is much less cause for bickering. Six-drawer chests are as roomy as they should be for clothes (considering the bulk of heavy sweaters, baseball socks), but the lower cabinets with sliding doors, opposite PAGE, BOTTOM, offer easier-to-organize storage for games and toys. Open shelves encourage quick put-away, are indispensable for collections, and, when out of reach, for special possessions that should be seen but not, please, played with sans supervision. The drop-leaf desks (see close-up, RIGHT) can be kept clear for legitimate deskwork since the big game table is at hand for other table-top needs.
all the materials in the room are sensibly tough, easy to clean. Except for the walnut chests and cabinets, all furniture frames are metal. Almost everything else is vinyl: floor coverings, wallcovering, window shades, chair upholstery, table tops. Most ingenious anti-nagger of all: the unrumpleable bedspreads made of vinyl upholstery. Pebbly vinyl carpeting covers the bulletin boards. Room designed by Haygood Lasseter for U. S. Rubber Design Derby.


The first of a new
H\&G series on
the fascinations of
the simple, humble
things of daily living

When I begin to speak of the teakettle, all, but all, of my friends exclaim, "You mean teapot!" Thus is the noble, necessary kettle slighted. Virtually, it is unknown to history; poetry's tributes to it have been niggardly; seldom has it posed for its portrait. Sadly few kettles are in museums-to the kettle's past has gone (I find) but little research. Meanwhile the teapot, that famous beauty, revels in every kind of publicity. Skills of every kind have gone to adorn it-it has succeeded in being everything, from classical-type to romantic-pretty, from aristocratic-looking to good and cozy. At one time, the teapot aped the form of a wine vase; at the other extreme, Cubism took it over (not, it has been agreed, with the best results). Apart from favorite teapots in daily use, many are singled out to be sheer ornaments.

The background kettle goes into the pot-and-pan class.
Yet, where would the teapot be without the teakettle? Nowhere. What would the teapot be without the teakettle? In effect, nothing.

The sapient and civilized Chinese grasped those two verities fairly early-tea-making being among the arts they first pioneered in, then perfected. It was in the eighth century (A. D.) that the Chinese made their epoch-making discov-ery-i.e., that one does not boil tea; one infuses it. For that, what is necessary? Boiling water. Repeat, boiling-water right at the boil. How best should that reach the tea leaves without (on the way) exposure to cooling air? Down a spout. How was escape of heat (in the form of steam) through the open top of the vessel to be prevented? By the addition of a lid.

The ingenious eighth-century Chinese therefore at once designed, and put into use, a small tea-water kettle. On the chafing dish principle, this had beneath it a portable charcoal burner. This was (I have ascertained) the first known teakettle. The English were slow to profit by that particular wisdom of the Orient's; tea itself having reached them in the seventeenth century, they became from then on increasingly fervent addicts. They continued to boil tea-water in sloppy cauldrons-enterprise with regard to tea taking the form, chiefly, of heavy smuggling, to evade the sky-high tariffs.

More or less exactly 1,000 years after the teakettle notion had dawned on China, it at last found favor with English genius. The teakettle, once it began to be made in England, developed an English style of its own. Sturdy in outline, it had an ample base. Destined to be perched upon stoked-up coal fires, it needed to be resistant to their heat-accordingly, it was wrought of the stoutest metals: iron or copper. Smoke soon blackened, soot caked, its veteran surface. And, although it had a handle above its lid, near that dared venture no human hand! To shift or lift such a kettle, one used a pothook.

How unlike its dainty Chinese progenitor! Our teakettle, grimed by hard years, was rated accordingly. Thankless treatment rewarded it, often, for faithful service. Nonetheless, this tribe maintained an élite-slenderer, shinier ket-tles-which fared better.

Delightful as may be the shape, glaze, porcelain florals, gilt swags, cameo profiles, bird or scenery motifs, or all or any decorative medallions upon the teapot, without the teakettle there can be no tea. The teapot, for all its charms, is a sheer dependent. The chubbiest, homiest-looking brown glazed earthenware teapot is-as to this-one with its ornate sister. The brown teapot, with its realist farmhouse ancestry, does not (be certain) kid itself as to that. The fragile porcelain teapot has learned humility. The antique silver variant is no fool, either-whether upright Queen Anne, curved Georgian, fluted Regency or rotund Victorian. The teakettle, nominal servitor to the teapot, does, in actual fact, play the master role.

That axiom is instilled into all true tea-makers. Teamaking's whole, old lore concentrates in one saying: "You bring the Pot to the Kettle; you don't bring the Kettle to the Pot!" Why? Because, not more than a split second must elapse between the lifting of the now-at-the-boil kettle from the flame and the tilting of the still-at-the-boil water on to the tea leaves waiting (inside the waiting teapot) to be infused. Moreover, the teapot will have been scalded prior to the spooning in of the tea leaves, else the "bite" of the boilingness of the water might be reduced. The iniquity of bringing to the kettle a teapot with coldness in it is very great.

The teakettle summons the teapot at its psychic, own, imperative moment. That we should require the ear-splitting
"whistling" kettle to blare forth that moment shows ( $I$ think) some decline-should the kettle-lover not recognize what is happening by means of some tuned and alert sense? The kettle first "sings" (that, poetry has allowed it!) then approaches the boil at noisy crescendo. Once at the boil, it changes its rhythm. The steam's fierce sibilance is what is chiefly, now, to be heard. Air vibrates, startled, at the mouth of the spout.

What a drama. What a dramatic contrast with the actual, timeless calmness of drinking tea.

Long gone, the formal tea-hour once spun its magic. There was an element, also, of ceremonial, Oriental-descended, not inappropriate. English country houses (of which the greater survive as viewable "stately homes") set up a special mystique with regard to "tea." That word stood for far, far more than the beverage. "Tea," in fact, was a high, a draw-ing-room occasion: some ladies dressed for it speciallyhence, the "tea-gown." Observant (and imitative), the French preferred to call this occasion "le five-o'clock." And then it was that the teakettle, along with the teapot, enjoyed full limelight. In sailed the two heavenly twins, of silver, resplendent, borne on a silver tray. The tray came to rest on a low but abundant table-whereon "iced" cakes, ethereal pastries, "hot cakes" (liquid with butter), delicate sandwiches, petal-thin bread-and-butter waited, set out on a lacy cloth. Flocks of teacups looked like a corps de ballet. Any hostess of worth insisted (although there were servitors) on going through with "making the tea" herself-as audience, her guests. The kettle and teapot were, it must be stated, non-identical twins, for the former was elevated some 3 to 4 inches on its silver tripod, within which pulsed a spirit-blue flame. An essential attendant, naturally, was the tea caddy, silver as they come, with its little scoop. The kettle, it need hardly be said, required not more than a lick from the small blue flame. The drawing-room-entering kettle contained water already brought to the boil, off-stage. A caked old black kitchen kettle had, very probably, done the work.

For all their grand style, all their polished paraphernalia, those long vanished drawing-room tea hours were far from freezing ones. "The cup that cheers, but not inebriates," is$I$ feel, always-a line written with more than an impish smile. The drinking of tea sets up an inebriation of its own. It was, in fact, denounced by furious puritans, than which a greater
tribute could hardly be. Talk around those glittering tea tables (one may gather, from the reading of any period memoirs) had a peculiar, relaxed but racy, above all intimate flavor. Gossip, glancing confidences and charming if perilous innuendo flourished no less when un-heated by alcohol. From those rosy or turquoise cups, with their frilled gilt lips, what insidious aroma came floating up?

It floats up still-changed though the scene is. Endlessly, now more casual, the set-out of tea engenders the ancient magic - to which are added less of the perils, more of the sweetnesses of intimacy. Here still, still, is an hour like no other! Gently social-when it is social at all: ideally an hour for two, for dear friends. An hour, even, for the solitary, who drawing her small tea-tray alongside her big chair, turns her lamp on her book, preparing to sip and read. But, does she read? May she not find herself musing on other tea hours? In the other big chair, opposite, has she not perhaps an imaginary companion-someone who was there yesterday, will be there tomorrow, or who through the very fact that he cannot be there again will be there always?

Tea can be drunk in the garden; that is lovely. It can be drunk in a big bay window outside which sweet-smelling spring rain is falling. But I think the ideal tea is drunk by the fire. And does not fire call up a rotund presence, singing, stilllanguidly steaming, upon the hob? (Hob, yes: though where are those hobs now?) Dear kettle, wherever you work, however you boil-circular gas flame, plugged-in electricity or the wavering spirit-stove-I love you.

Thank you for tea. Without you, there could be none.
ELIZABETH BOWEN, Anglo-Irish novelist, once observed that the difference between the writer and other adults is that he "sees what he did not intend to see. . . . His is the roving eye." The pages of her books (a few of them: "The House in Paris"; "The Heat of the Day"; "Seven Winters and Afterthoughts") are rich in little things that have caught her own roving eye: lozenged doorknobs, fringed towels, sauce-bottle stoppers ("buttons of bright red") as well as the spiked gilt leaves on the mirrors and the brass plate on the front door of the house in Duslin where she was born. Miss Bowen grew up in England, has spent considerable time in the U.S. In 1948 she was created a Companion of the British Empire.

Aimportant as a well-oiled household is to family serenity, having it or not often hinges on something as insignificant as the proverbial lost horseshoe nail. It is taken for granted, for instance, that everyone should have a good bed to sleep on, but not as certainly that he/she should have an equally comfortable, equally personal corner to be wide-awake in. Listening to someone nag a child is like being nagged yourself, but both can be remedied. To be able to find what you want when you want it is a blessing that may go unnoticed, but you can't fail to heed the wails of spouse and offspring when they can't find what they want. Here is a scrapbook of ideas that can erase these plagues for good.


A comfortable place to read calls for full-time rights to a chair perfectly fitted to your stature; a really good light; a table at your elbow; an ashtray if you smoke; some provision for feet-up comfort. For a woman, the answer might be a downy chaise like that in the bedroom, ABOVE, designed by Mallory-Tillis. The man's corner, Below, designed by Iohn and Earline Brice, is set up with a velvet-covered chair and ottoman, a man-size table, all by Harvey Probber.


## Little ideas that help preserve the peace



A private dining corner for two offers a refreshing departure from the customary ambiance of everyday living. It might be a bedroom window bay like this designed by Otto Zenke for Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lester

## Quiet corners

for reading, working, informal dining
promote the composure
of everyone in the family


A desk built for two, ABove, is a wise way to forestall frustration in an apartment where there are two homeworkers, but room for only one worksize desk. Teak-and-cane desk, 80 inches, by George Tanier.

A sewing center, RIGHT, fully equipped, can be built into remarkably little space in almost any room, although this worls counter in the Wilson D. Pattersons' Berkeley, Calif., house is in a room dedicated to sewing.


Breakfast in the sun,
LeFt, is inspiriting the year round and possible, under a skylight, even in cold climates. In their Philadelphia house, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Huber often breakfast in the seclusion of their skylighted bath-dressing room.

Anti-naggers
including those in
the room on our cover
make life easier
for both
you and the children


Toys in the living room will cease to be a bone of contention if a selected few can be stored there permanently. Suggested storage: a cabinet, a bench chest, or one of a pair of campaign chests like these by Founders Furniture.

## A water cooler astutely

 placed in a low-traffic area keeps thirsty small fry out of kitchen and bathroom. In Colonel T. C. Barton's Los Angeles house, the cooler is concealed in a small cupboard. A hole in the door exposes only the outlet.

A climbing pole, above, saves wear and tear of furniture. This one is part of the imaginative playroom in the New Orleans house of architect Arthur Davis.

A mud room, LEFT, is an effective buffer between play yard and furnishings susceptible to grime. Mud room in the Charles Hickox' Cleveland house contains a locker for each child.


A play tray loaded with special, once-a-week toys is a good way to keep a small child from clamoring at his parents' door early Sunday morning. Felt pockets, wicker baskets have been added to this collapsible bed tray.

## See-at-a-glance

A party wall that stores (behind closed doors) all the extras needed for entertaining is the secret of the unflustered hostess. The Kent Oppenheimers' party closet-a cabinet be low bookshelves and next to hi-fi and record cupboard-holds everything from hibachi and ramekins to games.
will do wonders to cut down the questions that start
"Where is the - - -?"


A double closet, ABOVE, (or a large one divided) can be fitted to accommodate dissimilar shapes of small clothes and big toys. Deep shelves are best for latter.

A wrapping center, BE Low, is indispensable for warding off the scissors-string-Scotch-tape syn. drome. This one created by Mr. and Mrs. Kent Oppenheimer is for gift wrapping.


Pliers in plain sight, ABOVE, means fewer excuses for not tightening loosened joints. Back-oth loops holds tic shield household tools.

Home base for keys can prevent many a crisis. All it takes is a frame, a door, a series of hooks clearly labeled for garage, storeroom, luggage, house doors (these could be extras for guests).
 marvelously comforting to $a$ man who hates to raveryOpen the door and-suits, thing is in full hangers, all coats, robes , his haberdashery Designed by Michael Greer.
that outwit human foibles
make for
a calm household

A helper's closet for the daily regular, party special or laundress gives her a welldeserved bit of privacy, keeps her things out of your way. Next to laundry in the Wilson D. Pattersons' Berkeley, Calif., house is a closet, BeLow, with space to hang coats, uniforms, park packages, handbag, shoes. Below the shoe shelf is a pull-out soiled clothes bin.

Laundry carriers in the form of four shallow baskets are strategic additions to the mending corner in the laundry of the Roger L. Crispell's house in Birming. ham, Mich. Clean clothes are sorted into baskets each color-keyed to its own-er-to await mending. When the mending is completed, each member of the family totes off his own basket.



Communications center,
RIGHT, can do away with disquieting blasts of shouting. The Kent Oppenheimers incorporated communications equipment into the planning desk they designed for their kitchen. Telephone and main station of intercom are on back panel, and dropfront above conceals pigeonholes lighted by built-in fluorescent tubes. Top drawer of desk, LEFT, is actually a pull-out shelf for typewriter (front drops to provide additional space). Lower drawers hold recipes.


A double lavatory is indis- Custom-built file cabinet, pensable insurance against below, reminiscent of an old frayed tempers when husband apothecary's chest, is pretty and wife or school-age children enough to stand in a bedroom. share a bathroom. The one The drop-front drawers hold ABOVE is flanked by toilet com-file folders stacked flat. Department and dressing room. signer: Edward M. Benesch.


Easy-to-read labels are essential to forestall frantic searches and ensuing chaos among shelves earmarked for miscellany. This storage wall in a family room holds everything from party decorations to sewing supplies. Toys and game equipment are kept below in deep roll-out drawers which are framed by edge of table that is pulled out for buffet suppers. Designer: John Matthias.

## By way of addenda, here are a few final stratagems that will help immeasurably to soothe the household psyche

For well-meaning vandals (often your best friends) who fly at the ice bucket with an ice pick and promptly ruin the thermal liner, there is a battery-operated electric ice crusher that has no effect on anything but ice. It also keeps sinks-if that's where you crush ice-chip free. "Did you close the garage door?" This maddening plaint is usually heard just as the master bedroom is going dark. It can be negated forever by bedside controls that will not only close the garage door but turn off-or on-any light in the house, inside or out. The prospect of sweet dreams is considerably diminished by having to hop out of bed half-a-dozen times to collect such varied items as an eye shade or cold cream or cough syrup. A little bedside cabinet with a pull-out shelf and a magazine rack will keep within arm's reach all these musts, and more. Just stock the cabinet with all that's nocturnally dear to you, and relax. "But we can't go. That's the night of the school play." And so it is ; you'd forgotten. A king-size engagement book to record both adult and adolescent dates is as good as total recall. The calendar-type loose-leaf books provide enough space for Brownies, Cub Scouts and the PTA-all in a day's entries. The irritation of dull tools can be dispelled by making it an ingrained habit (monthly, weekly, as you like) to visit periodically, tools in hand, either a hardware store that provides a sharpening service, a really accomplished locksmith, a tool-renting establishment where sharpness is part of the business, or a trusted carpenter who wouldn't be caught dead with a dull tool and knows what to do about it. Some of these paragons even call for and deliver. Teen-age telephonitis is one of those things that, if you can't lick, you join. And you join it most simply with the addition of a separate line for the children, thus freeing the old one for Mom and Dad. If this seems indulgent, it works both ways. A dog and cat door-if you're a dog and cat family-is a wonderful thing. Ready-made, easily installed in an under-window wood panel, the exitentrance is circular and filled with pie-shaped plastic sections that open from either side when Puss or Towser pushes through. The training entailed is more than compensated for by watching the animals fend for themselves while you just sit there. A fireside woodbox with outside accessibility will often work as well. Remote controls for radio, record player and TV really bring out the beauty of a comfortable chair. There is, too, a portable speaker, control-equipped, that you can tote from one comfortable chair in one room to a cozy roost in another. His very own little sink in his very own little room (or hers) is not only, from a scrubbed point of view, a move toward juvenile godliness, but a great step-saver for all involved. And if the darlings want a drink of water in the middle of the night, you may have to get up, but at least the water's handy. Men's evening clothes, for reasons that make no sense at all, seem infinitely more difficult to assemble than women's. The solution will probably be one of your own devising, but it would make great sense to keep the full panoply as closely related as possible: the suit itself in a labeled garment bag, and then, in one drawer or compartment, the shoes-well-bagged-shirts, socks, black and white ties, vest and cummerbund, braces, evening scarf and studs. The assembly then becomes simply a question of choosing for a black- or white-tie evening. It will also gladden the poor wife who suddenly has to send an out-of-town husband his forgotten dinner clothes. But don't forget the labels: one gentleman wired home for his dinner jacket and received-to his horror-his shi clothes.

# Freedom for two generations 

## Physically divided, yet spiritually knit, this is a house in which parental peace and adolescent

 high jinks are given equal and singular deference

Here is another example of the multiple house first introduced by H\&G in August, 1962. Representing an exciting advance in residential architecture, this new kind of house consists of a cluster of wings under separate roofs and linked by covered passageways. The purpose: to define and segregate the activities of a family in line with its changing needs.

During the first ten years or so of child rearing, parental tranquillity is fostered by a house that keeps life as simple as possible via a convenient plan, easy maintenance, minimum cause for watch-outs and don'ts. But when the children approach what psychologists so aptly call the stage of social weaning-the teens-a family's needs change overnight. For teen-agers, as every parent knows, are a race apart. They live erratically, vociferously. They're in and out, upstairs and downstairs, upright and supine-with bewildering rapidity. They're entrancing, wildly gay, touchingly helpless and outrageously noisy-until the moment arrives when they want to be alone. Then the sudden silence is as puzzling as the clamor was deafening. Obviously, the average house is not designed to take this metamorphic period in its stride, so it is with ad-
miration that $H \& G$ views a house recently completed for Dr. and Mrs. Michael Buckley in Bellevue, Wash. In various out-of-the-cocoon stages are the four Buckley children: Galen, 19, and her 13-year-old sister, Diana; Michael, 15, and Dennis, 9-a quartet that spent its budding years in a spruced-up, 70-year-old farmhouse. Mrs. Buckley recalls: "Our old house lacked certain features, but others were abundant-lots of mice, lots of drafts and running water through the basement." Even so, it was a pleasant, roomy house despite a conspicuous lack of personal privacy which the Buckleys found tolerable enough while the children were little, but less and less so as they grew. So, along with the children, plans grew for a new house to be built nearby on the same property-a miceless, draftless, dry-of-basement house dedicated to adult and teen-age privacy whenever and however they might be desired.

The bipart form the house eventually took-it is actually two houses linked by a gallery-can be attributed to Mrs. Buckley's insistence on an element of "gracious living." Both the phrase and the quotes are hers: she feels it takes canny planning to make a servantless house run both smoothly and elegantly, yet that is a way of living she believes in. The two-part plan is also (Continued on page 80)


Rambling and multi-angled, the house spreads in a pleasant, airy sprawl across a sloping site that descends to Lake W ashington
owners:
Dr. and Mrs. Michael Buckley architects: Paul Hayden Kirk and Associates location: Bellevue, Washington sIze:
3,439 sq. ft.

(carport under house)


The parents often dine quietly $\dot{a}$ deux in the living room


Living room fireplace wall is a giant's mosaic of river boulders


Snack bar does an all-day job: bacon and eggs, cokes and pizza


Pantry pass-throughs serve both the living room and family room
surface, and set on a slight slope that descends to Lake Washington. At the lake's edge, the Buckleys have a boat dock, a boat and the dammed-up end of a brook where they used to keep Alice, a now defunct pet alligator.

The major portion of the house includes the living room, kitchen, parents' bedroom and dressing-room-bath and the family room. "We couldn't completely sever the cord," Mrs. Buckley confesses-so a glass-walled gallery leads from the family room to the children's wing, on the upper floor of which are four bedrooms grouped around a common studyplayroom. On the lower level of this section is a utility area (heating, laundry, storage, carport), most of it enclosed.

Officially, all of the main house except the family room is the preserve of the older generation. The family room is common ground. Family dining, as a rule, takes place there, although Dr. and Mrs. Buckley are periodically amused to dine alone and in state at the dining end of the living room. Here, too, all holidays and galas are celebrated-complete with children.

Although architect Kirk had never before designed a house with a separate pantry (they are not common today in the Northwest), his kitchen- (Continued on page 82)



The gallery is a glassed-in artery used as a room as well as a passageway


The ice-cream parlor understandably draws children like bears to honey

(carport under house)
Each child has a bedroom; all share a communal playroom-study


All Gaul is divided, brushes are washed, the dog bides his time
pantry plan is a model of maximum storage and elasticity in serving. The pantry has pass-throughs at both ends-one to the family room, the other to a counter-bar at one end of the living room. A snack bar overhung with a bank of cabinets forms the wall between kitchen and family room and is sat up to, for the most part, at breakfast time. Thus the kitchen, very much the hub of the house, serves its family in any way demanded of it, but with little public display of its inner workings-Mrs. Buckley likes a cloistered place to cook.

The children's own house, however, is accepted as Indian territory, and parents stay politely away except for en masse viewing of television in the playroom. In its serious hours, the playroom is very much a study hall. The law is laid down: no music, no fun and games to interfere with Gaul being divided into three parts. When a youngster wants to be alone, he or she need only close his or her bedroom door.

The children's two-part bath is augmented by an extra lavatory-a wash-up water hole for hands, faces and paint brushes. "Some mighty odd things," we are told, go down the clothes chute that drops to the laundry below where there is a second shower for sandy swimmers. The sandiest


With books out of the way, the playroom is ready for checkers, TV, singsongs or "coketail" parties. And so to bed
of the lot: the family's Labrador retriever.
Beneath the main house is a semi-open space devoted to fun. Called the "ice-cream parlor," it is a grotto-like playroom with built-in benches, a fireplace and iron tables and chairs in the best banana-split tradition. As a stamping ground, the ice-cream parlor is juvenile, adult-and mixed. The senior Buckleys and their friends are not above descending to the grotto for a cool drink on a hot day or inviting themselves to a soda-fountain spree.

From time to time the young Buckleys give dancing parties. The family room is cleared; the sliding front-deck doors are opened; the hi-fi is turned up and the house, if it were not so substantially built, would surely shake. The same indoor-outdoor area is used when the Buckleys give summer dinner parties. For these, the ice-cream furniture is brought upstairs and arranged in bright-of-cloth, candlelit café panoply. These are grown-up affairs; the children either have an early dinner or pienic in their private tower.

With so much provision for camaraderie, one would wonder if any of the Buckleys ever really wants to be alone. Yet, being human, they do, and when they do, the children
simply march down to the lake or up to their aerie, leaving their parents in possession of the living room and their little bedroom suite. "Nothing is quite so pleasing," says Mrs. Buckley, "as the patter of little feet in their own quarters while you and your guests prop yours up to the tune of music or conversation-or just lovely aloneness." The "music," often enough, comes from a paved terrace near the house which the children turn into a bandstand. But even the throaty twang of the boys' gut-bucket-a curious instrument, part bass fiddle, part wash tub-can soothe a parental breast, if the gut-bucket is far enough away.

One wonders, too, when the family has time for solitude. Dr. Buckley leads the dedicated life of the busy physician; Mrs. Buckley not only has four children to shepherd, but is a decorator-craftsman as well. A handsome mosaic panel in the family room is all her work-two long years of it. Yet. because of their highly individual pattern of living and the proper setting for it, the Buckleys' leisure hours-all the more precious because they must be rather rare-can be spent in either gaiety or quietude, exactly as they please. Their house is designed for the enjoyment of both pleasures.

## The joys of a country kitchen

## coupled with the latest technology

When we think of a country kitchen, most of us think of a serene world where work and living are harmoniously intertwined. In our mind's eye we see expanses of mellow woods, the gleam of polished metal and a wealth of space and light, all of which conjure up a feeling of benign well-being. In such a peaceful atmosphere, we feel, cooking would be no chore to rush through as quickly as possible. We would be more tempted to spend a whole day happily preserving fruits or baking bread. To capture this aura of serenity was the motive that inspired this year's Idea Kitchen designed by H\&G and Yorktowne Kitchens in co-operation with the American Gas Association. Yet the kitchen, of course, must work, sans servants, like the most modern clockwork. The result of this double objective is not so much a single kitchen as a series of closely related centers for working and relaxing. Throughout the whole area you find pleasures for the eye and spirit-color, woods, the soothing effects of soundabsorbing materials-smoothly combined with the up-to-date efficiency of excellent lighting and the best possible equipment.

Subtly varied combinations of $H_{\&} G$ colors-Green Olive, Tangerine, Curry, Pastel Blue Mist-mixed with nut browns draw your eye around and beyond the cabinets that divide the kitchen into four areas. And your ear is pampered by a tempering of sound. Noise mufflers include ready-made wood cabinets; rubber tile flooring; ceilings of acoustical plaster and of waffe-like panels that diffuse light; rubber mats under all equipment with moving parts (refrigerator, dishwasher, clothes washer, dryer) ; and, in the dining area, shelves of books, floor-length curtains and a thick-piled carpet. That corner of the room was designed to be an inviting spot not only for breakfast and lunches, but even, upon occasion, for a quiet dinner for two. Food can be set out on the buffet-divider, a hot dish kept warm over the built-in gas barbecue and the lights over the dining table dimmed by rheostat to a level of peaceful intimacy.




The buffet-divider between the dining and cooking areas also serves as an auxiliary cooking center equipped with a built-in barbecue and a faucet that supplies instant boiling water. Bookshelves beyond include a rack for propping up open cook books.

At one side of the laundry area, next to the washer and dryer, is the home office which consists of a plastic laminated desk top supported at one end by file drawers. Portable thermoelectric refrigerator (on floor behind chair) holds cold soft drinks for outdoor meals.

The aisle of the laundry center is wide enough for ironing. Built-in ironing board mounted on a pull-out shelf folds down at each end when work is finished and slides back into a base'cabinet.

H\&G's Capable Cleaning Closet (you saw it first in H\&G, September, 1962) holds an amazing amount of cleaning gear on shelves, hooks and a revolving stand. Yet, all is instantly accessible.

The equipment in $H \& G$ 's Idea Kitchen includes: cabinets by Yorktowne; major appliances by Whirlpool; Emerson range hood; Majestic gas barbecue; ceiling lighting by Diffusa-Lite; Crown Rubber flooring; Elkay stainless steel sinks. Shopping information, see page 128.


A long stretch of counter at one side of the laundry area, above, makes a clean and handy work space for sewing. A built-in sewing machine swings out and up from an undercounter cabinet, and a wall-hung cabinet above it holds sewing materials. At far end of counter is a small round sink for flower arranging. Intercom on end wall includes an AM-FM radio. To the left of that, on the strip of wall beside the pantry closet, is an outlet, left, for a vacuum-cleaning system that also incorporates burglar and fire alarms. The translucent ceiling in this area is striped with two-by-fours paint. ed in H\&G's Tangerine and white.
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The great influences on plant growth-No. 1

## LIGHT

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of related features about the most important forces in the development of your trees, shrubs and flowering plants. Some of these forces, such as light, are natural and elemental. Others, such as winter or the slope of a hill, are specialized phenomena. We are particularly concerned with the way these influences and their manifestations affect the beauty of the landscape we live in.

Two fundamental and essential functions of plant growth are dependent exclusively on light. One function is the upward turning of a seedling plant when it emerges from its earth-bound seed. The other is the ability of every green plant, however humble, to extract water and carbon dioxide from the air and transform them into the hydrocarbons that sustain all life.

The first use of light as it affects plants is exemplified by the ghostly Indian pipe, opposite page, opening its bell-like flowers deep in the luminous autumn woods. There is no green in the leaves of this plant-in fact, there are no leaves at all, even though it grows from seeds produced the same way as in more familiar plants. The significant fact is that the stems rise straight into the light, in apparent defiance of the laws of gravity that are, we are assured, basic and inviolable. This lightward turning is called phototropism (pronounced to rhyme approximately with "the top is his'n"), and is caused by the action of light on a particular auxin, a chemical substance formed in the growing tips of plants. Responding to the ordinary rules of gravity within the plant tissues, the auxin will, in turn, cause a root to bend unfailingly toward the earth's dark core and cause an above-ground shoot to ascend toward the light. When light reaches all sides of the plant equally, the stem grows straight up.

The second and, if that were possible, more miraculous function of light is called photosynthesis, a routine growth process in all green plants, including that of the oak seedling at right. The primary response to light is the same in the oak as in the Indian pipe. But with the oak, something else takes place. Energized by light, and in the mysterious presence of the chlorophyll in its green leaf cells, the oak produces its own nutriment directly from the basic elements in air and earth. This response of a green plant to light is unique. No practical substitute for light as a stimulant to plant growth has ever been found-and without light no green plant has ever grown successfully.

The same light that makes it possible for plants to grow atvall affects the trees, shrubs and flowers around you in a variety of ways. For a discussion of the vagaries and gradations of light as well as important ways in which light may be wooed or cajoled to make your landscape and your garden more beautiful, please turn the page.

Light guides and sustains plant growth. The flowering Indian pipe, opposite page, responds in but one essential way to the stimulus of light, as its botanical name (monotropa) implies-its leafless and colorless stems grow toward the light. The second function of light in plant growth-photosynthesis-takes place only in plants containing chlorophyll (such as oak seedling, right). The Indian pipe lacks chlorophyll, and depends for its sustenance on the food processed by other plants-as, when you get right down to it, does all mankind.


The loveliest light is a succession of sun and shadow. One of the contemplative gardener's greatest challenges as well as one of his greatest opportunities lies in the fact that a sequence of periods of full sunlight followed, in the same location, by periods of shade or partial sun yield a total amount of usable light quite different from the amount that would be present in either continuous sun or continuous shade. The success of the plants you grow in such circumstances is likely to depend on how much of either kind of light falls on a given plant at one time, without interruption by the other kind. "Moving light" of this nature will support respectable flower production on a surprisingly small total of unobstructed sunlight in relation to heavy shade, whereas a moderate degree of continuous shade, or of cast shadow relieved only by "sky-shine," might severely inhibit or prevent flowering. As in this Manchester, Vt., garden of Miss Mary Rogers Warren, tree shade at varying levels beneath a "moving" sun provides its own beauty and favors as well a wide range of plants for flowers and foliage.


Heavy shade enhances foliage values, below left. The more total shade you have, with or without periods of full sunlight, the less good bloom you are likely to have on most flowering plants and the more important a good choice of foliage effects will be. The north side of buildings or other solid structures eliminates all sun except very early and late during midsummer (in temperate latitudes). Here, few flowers will be produced. A variety of foliage textures in shadetolerant evergreens, deciduous woodland shrubs and dependable groundcovers is your best bet. For details on some of light's special behavior problems and a list of shade plants, see page 134 .


Sun and shade may vary with the season. Many of the finest spring-blooming plants, especially those native species commonly planted in wild-flower gardens beneath deciduous trees, will tolerate quite heavy summer shade after their flowering time is over. In landscapes where summer tree shade would otherwise present a problem to the flower gardener, a broad range of bright color is possible provided you are willing to concentrate it in the spring months. The majority of hardy spring-flowering bulbs are in this category, together with all the familiar denizens of the spring woods and a great many border plants that produce mainly foliage after the trees leaf out. This springtime corner is part of Mrs. Lucien Taylor's well-planned, lovingly cared-for garden in Dover, Mass.

Strong light supports strong color. The universal affinity of strong sunlight and bright flower colors is quite natural-and explainable on at least two counts. First, the presence of full sun on the garden induces the maximum amount of flowering of which most plants are capable. Second, strong sunlight brings out the full brilliance of colors that might be all but lost in shadow. (Among strong colors we do not mean to slight white or the cooler flower tones.) As in Mr. A. L. Gustin Jr.'s, Cotuit, Mass., garden, almost all the familiar seed-packet annuals (for some of the best ones see Gardener's Month, page 130), most of the popular border perennials and many summer-flowering bulbs will take all the sun they can get.

## LIGHT

Much can be done to increase the sunlight your plants receive, or to increase the shade if your site seems too open. Many a gardener has discovered for himself that growing plants can be more rewarding than just filling gaps in the landscape. It is easy to contrive special conditions of sun and shadow for the express purpose of adding freshness, variety and effectiveness to home plantings.

A lath house can provide shadows to order. All three important kinds of garden light are consciously exploited in the lovely garden, right, of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Webster, Islip, L. I., N. Y.-a deliberate pattern of light and shade, a well-cherished pool of bright sunshine, an unavoidable wedge of continuous shadow. To achieve a needed combination of alternating sun and shadow, the Websters, abetted by landscape architect Nelva Weber, built an octagonal lath-house gazebo. It provides both a graceful garden ornament and the necessary moving shade for fine hanging bas-kets-mostly fuchsias-that are part of a collection that is their pride and joy. (It also accommodates miscellaneous pot plants requiring tempered light.) Latticed door and casements, as well as cupola-like roof vents, add decorative variety and improve the air circulation. Whereas a continuous shade amounting to a fifty-per-cent reduction of light volume might reduce flower production, these alternating strips of continuously moving full light and full shade aid retention of good flower color, protect foliage.

Full sun calls for tough plants, strong design. Where you want to achieve something more than a flower border, and seek the effect of shadows but without actual shade, resort to strong pattern. In the sunny central portion of their formal garden, the Websters designed a small-scale adaptation of the particularly handsome herb garden that has long been a notable attraction at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Here, species and varieties of thyme, germander, lavender, santolina, candytuft bask in the long, hot Long Island summers, their foliage tones and textures relieving the dazzle better than any local breezes are able to do. A topiary fowl, of uncertain antecedents but composed of a single handsome box plant, sits in the sun before the shady gazebo. Evergreen privet and rosemary provide flanking accents, give a third dimension to the design. The bold leaves and flower stalks of tubbed eucomis accent the circles around the sundial. A variety of low-growing plants, including sedums, dwarf plumbago, lavender and heliotrope, fill in along the walks toward the area of cast shadow.

Continuous shadow can challenge any gardener. While a liberal supply of alternating sun and shade often permit something like normal growth and flowering, continuous shadow or prolonged periods of reduced or highly directional light both raise special problems and offer unusual opportunities. Plants of varied foliage color and contrasting forms are of course important where bloom is denied (see preceding page). But the Websters' garden embraces gracefully the shade that cannot be lessened or greatly ameliorated. On the tall fence that bounds the garden on the west, they have espaliered firethorn and winter jasmine. Shaded half the day, it catches morning sun to open spring flowers, ripen fall fruit. Further on, the firethorn continues as a handsome clipped hedge to screen the cutting garden and make its own decorative contribution. The solid shadow across the south end of the garden, foreground, right, is cast by the greenhouse workroom. On its small porch (when shade is already present, more will do no harm), the Websters display many forms of shade-tolerant English ivy. Bordering the east path are low shrubbery and small trees-fragrant Viburnum carlesii for spring flowers, dogwoods for flowers and fruit. On the ground run dainty epimediums and such choice groundcovers as Gaultheria miqueliana.


## Worth thinking about

Resurgence of primitive art: African masks and Melanesian artifacts (soul-boats, for example) are very much "in" for stylish interiors. According to Julius Carlebach, a long-time New York City dealer in primitive and ancient art, many factors have contributed to the startling revival of interest in these objects so much admired in the Twenties. Among the specifics he cites are political interest in Africa and Southeast Asia and the recent publicity accorded Michael Rockefeller's findings plus the movie describing his expedition. The unexpected presence of these sometimes barbaric, always basic works of art is a notable feature in Cecil Beaton's just-completed London apartment where they furnish exciting shock value in otherwise highly sophisticated, slickly elegant rooms.

New interest in Ireland: The Emerald Isle is the latest area to be combed for design inspiration. The old Georgian manor houses have come in for particular scrutiny by recently visiting designers. New ideas are being sought, too, by The Irish Export Board, who recently organized a tour for five Scandinavian design authorities and solicited their comments. These are now under study, and it looks as if hand-woven woolens with a Norso-Gaelic accent are in the offing.

The glamour of glass: Designers are discovering new ways to make the most of vitreous glitter. In Los Angeles, craftsman Wayne Long has paved a small reflecting pool with fused glass rocks, used more of them on a tall panel nearby-a device that doubles the stunning sparkle. In Switzerland, the current fad is for planting beach glass (broken bits worn by the pounding of the sea) in the bottom of shallow streams. When the sun hits these underwater jewels, the effect is scintillating. In Florence, Italy, architect Leonardo Ricci's concrete-framed "garden" of shattered glass gleams with bountiful color, the sharp spikes reaching upward like strange surrealist flowers.

Pedagogical records: Educational as well as entertaining discs are growing in popularity, widening in range. It is now possible to participate in a "James Joyce Society Meeting" (Folkways), learn something of "The Art of Investment" (Spoken Word), become familiar with the sound of birds in the United States, South America or Africa, or with the night murmurings of insects (Cornell Bird Song Records). More ambitious self-improvers might investigate "How to Play the Guitar" by Gene Leis. This five-record set, along with charts and pictures, claims to accomplish its teach-yourself aim in ten days.
"Bossa Nova" on the upbeat: For record collectors of a different sort, translations from the Portuguese (via Brazil) offer a type of dance music well on its way to replacing the twist. These new rhythms, pacedaccording to one music publisher-"for a dance rather than an exercise," are therefore more suitable accompaniment for post-teen-age parties. "Desafinado," most typical, has new English lyrics called, "Slightly Out of Tune."

Development of "pop" art: A new, whacky, but wonderful genre of three-dimensional expression surpasses the famous fur-lined teacup of the Thirties in its mad visual commentary on the vagaries of our times. Its perpetrators have been dubbed "The New Realists" because of their preoccupation with such pedestrian oddities as a ghoulishly colored plaster meal glued to a painted iron stove, a full-scale lawn mower attached to a white canvas streaked with grassy greens, a composition of several dozen crossed sabres inserted in a square frame. All have been shown in respected art galleries as powerful satires of some of the uglinesses that surround us in our homes and cities.

[^9]Home of Steel, just installed in Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry: a steel tile wall; a window curtained with thousands of links of fine steel chains cascading from ceiling to floor; a hanging walnut buffet suspended on shimmering steel links.

Interesting for its engineering as well as for its decorative quality is the work of Kenneth Snelson. One of his constructions weighs 20 pounds, reaches 20 feet toward the sky, will hold an average man. Smaller examples of Mr. Snelson's work are in the realm of abstract art. His circles, triangles, oblongs have a web-like beauty highlighted by metallic sparkle.

Metal artistry of quite a different nature: the stainless-steel-plus-light improvisations of muralist Nikos Bel-Jon. Working with flat sheets of steel, this artist abrades the surface with such fine tools that to the touch it seems absolutely smooth. When lights are played upon it, however, a subtly incised abstract design miraculously bursts into view.

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The first of a new $H_{\&} G$ series

# Everyone is doing CREWVEL 

By Erica Wilson

Now that so many of the things we live with come ready-made, many people are discovering one of the oldest and most delightful sources of tranquillity-the pleasure of turning hand, mind and eye to the creation of something beautiful, personal and lasting. For the past few years, the venerable art of embroidery has been enjoying a fullfledged revival and one of its most popular forms is crewel work, a decorative type of wool stitchery, usually on twilled linen, that had its origin in Elizabethan England. The great charm of crewel is its varied vocabulary of stitches and the textures they create, which lend themselves as readily to contemporary designs as to the Tree of Life and Scrolling Stem patterns for which they were first used. It is a common misconception that contemporary crewel embroidery means throwing all technique to the wind and launching off into the realm of random stitchery to create an abstract wall hanging. This, of course, defeats the whole purpose of crewel work, which was primarily conceived to decorate objects of use.

The stitches were intended to become an integral part of the fabric, capable of standing up to years of wear and tear, as so many historic examples have amply demonstrated. Crewel has as many applications in houses today as it had in the seventeenth century, bringing color, pattern and texture to pillows, chairs, bedspreads, even place mats and curtains.

The traditional crewel work designs with which we are familiar stem from the importation to England by the East India Company of the printed or painted cotton hangings known as "palampores." To the European eye, used to formal symmetry, the designs on these palampores were totally new and fascinatinga glorious profusion of exotic fruits and flowers growing with a naïve disregard of realism from the same stem, their branches filled with wild birds and animals springing from the rounded hills of some far away imaginary land. All this exuberance caught the fancy of the ladies who sat all winter long embroidering in their libraries. With their needles they copied or adapted the (Continued on page 98)


## New ways to use Crewel

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## OUR TRADITIONAL

 MOTIF

Floral motif of smaller pillow on previous page offers many decorative possibilities. For information on how to get pattern, see page 96 .

Repeat the design vertically on curtains of linen twill, but line them well to prevent sun-fading of crewel yarns.


Indian prints, and by the late seventeenth century, "Jacobean" embroidery, as it was later called, had become high fashion. The most popular patterns were the familiar Tree of Life with its bold stylized flowers and fruit; the Scrolling Stem, an over-all design that almost encloses its flowers or leaves; and the Wavy Border, a later type of pattern often used for bedspreads.

When crewel was transplanted to the Colonies by the early settlers, it acquired a distinctly American accent. The designs took on a new directness when the Colonial embroideresses, short on both time and materials, depicted on their simple homespun cloths the trees, animals and people that made up their environment. Wool was hard to come by, hence yarn-saving stitches had to be devised. We find that early American crewel used primarily either stitches that wasted hardly a scrap of yarn on the wrong side of the fabric or open stitches that covered the most ground with the least wool.

The sprightly designs of these early American embroideries have a vitality that today seems as contemporary as expressionism. They are an inspiration to create, without slavish imitation, embroideries based on a firm foundation of good craftsmanship.

## What you can do with crewel today

The common denominator between traditional and contemporary crewel work is the wonderful repertoire of stitches. All of them, with a little practice, are easy to master, and they make it possible to achieve with the needle the sculptor's rich array of textures, surface treatments, light-and-shadow play as well as the painter's lines and brush strokes and even a kind of pointillism. And they are all readily adaptable to modern styles of design. In fact, the stylized flowers of Jacobean and the naïve simplicity of early American crewel motifs mesh perfectly with our twentieth-century concepts of impressionism. For the more abstract type of modern design, in which texture, color and non-objective forms are the main concern, the vocabulary of crewel is unlimited. And the hundreds of hues, shades and tints of today's wools supply a palette as vivid as a painter's oils.

Very few of us, however, would consider

ourselves talented as abstract painters, and if we would not venture into abstraction with paint, we certainly should not expect to achieve success with wool. Nevertheless, it is possible to create modern abstract embroidery simply by using the stitches in linear effects, taking the weave of the fabric as a guide. Ordinary mattress ticking would be a perfect choice for such a project since the lines act as spacers to set the rhythm of the design. More sophisticated fabrics with more color can be used equally successfully by picking out certain of the colors with your stitches. If you would like to embroider an even more complex design, apply your stitches to an all-over printed fabric, using its pattern as a guide. This opens up new vistas, for it provides all kinds of excellent designs upon which you can express yourself through stitches and color, picking out only those motifs that suit your fancy or the purpose of the finished embroidery. When you are embroidering on a print, use yarns in a complementary or contrasting color so that your stitches will stand out.

## Where to look

## for your designs

You will also find that it is not too difficult to create or borrow designs for embroidery on plain fabric. Design inspiration is everywhere. All you need to do is look. Start your search with the patterned fabrics around the house or in your clothes closet. Take a piece of paper with a round or square hole cut in it, and pass it slowly over the eloth. You will suddenly discover a whole new adventure in "seeing." Familiar shapes and motifs seen through the hole in the paper will take on a new perspective. You will see a kaleidoscope of colors and designs, often quite abstracted from their original recognizable form. Another revelation will come from closer scrutiny of nature's own designs in a butterfly's wing, a petal or a leaf, or of such unrelated objects as a sidewalk or radiator grill. Or, you can create totally abstract patterns by juxtaposing rounds, squares and triangles of paper until you have achieved a pleasing form.

When you have settled on your design, cut it out or trace it on paper. Then, decide what size you want it to be and have it photostatically enlarged or reduced at a camera
store. The simplest method of transferring to your fabric is by using dressmaker's carbon (blue is best). Be certain the design is centered on the material, then slide the carbon under it. Success depends on firm pressure with a medium soft pencil. If you err, the mistake can be erased with carbon tetrachloride.

## How to choose

 your materialsThe best choice of fabric for crewel work is a firmly woven linen. Linen twill with its diagonal weave is especially suitable owing to its hard-wearing qualities and neutral background. Avoid lightweight dress linens, even though some may feel firm due to crease-resistant treatments.

Color is your next consideration. Select a limited palette to show the stitches to their best advantage. Tone values are the important thing: select some darks, mediums and lights for proper contrasts. But even if you are planning a traditional design, do not be afraid to use bright colors. It is often mistakenly assumed that all Jacobean embroideries were done in muted colors. But in many, faded now after many years of use, the original wools were butter yellows, warm earth reds, blues and bright greens.

Your needles should be large enough to pass through the fabric easily, so the wools will not chafe. (Packets of assorted embroidery or crewel needles are available at most stores.) And for thorough enjoyment of your work, start with a frame. This is the correct way to do crewel, and working with a frame will ultimately enable you to do a number of stitches you could not possibly execute proficiently otherwise. Using a frame will also give your embroidery a good workman-like finish. In selecting one, make sure it has a screw attachment so that you can stretch the material as tightly as a drum. A frame with a table attachment or floor trestle is ideal since it leaves both your hands free for your work.
ERICA WILSON, the young Englishwoman who has had more than a little to do with the lively resurgence of crewel work, has taught at London's Royal School of Needlework (of which she is a graduate) and at New York's Cooper Union Museum. Her book, "Crewel Embroidery," published last summer, is a complete how-to guide on crewel work and its application.


Indian palampore inspired early crewel design


Wavy Border became popular for bedspreads


Tree of Life is a tamiliar traditional pattern


## Creature comforts for the bedtime bookworm

Alittle of the hedonist exists in all of us, and, as most bedtime bookworms will agree, half the fun of reading in bed is the delicious, accompanying sense of forget-theclock luxury. But with today's non-stop pace, the pocket of time at the end of each day is fast becoming the only time for reading. So the one-time luxury is now almost a necessity-the pause that sets your mind back on an even keel. To extract the last ounce of pleasure from this prelude to sleep, we suggest you surround yourself with a crop of creature comforts-pretty sheets and blankets, a firm back rest, a strong light that will shine evenly across the page, a reading rack to prop up your heavier tomes. On these and the following pages, you will find beds to pamper all kinds of bookworms. Each is made up with some of the newest sheets and blankets-sleeping beauties in brilliant colors.

1. In a teen-age girl's room, an alcove bed (a modern version of the Brittany bed that kept out chills in draughty farmhouses) becomes a delicious pink-flowered bower for nightly reading. Black and white tartan pillows that line bed during the day double as a back rest, and wide-brimmed lamp sheds light over an ample area. Pepperell sheets and pink blanket; furniture by Grand Rapids Chair Co.; all at B. Altman \& Co.
2. A double guest room, its beds arrayed in lush hues, offers a crop of comforts that might well tempt visitors to stay on for keeps. Upholstered arm rests that drop down from each end of the headboard plus a new kind of cushion-a plump octagon that neatly fits the back of a reader's head-make the beds as comfortable as armchairs. Top of bed tray lifts up to form reading rack, folds down for breakfast. Cannon sheets and blankets; furniture by Dunbar.
3. In a master bedroom, night table-cabinets on both sides of the bed hold everything to pamper two incorrigible readers. Each cabinet has a pull-out plastic-laminate shelf on which to park a bedtime hot drink, storage space below for a back rest, a rack on the door for magazines. Dan River sheets; Chatham blanket; furniture by Glenn of California.
4. A study that also sleeps occasional guests in Mrs. Arthur Thomas' apartment skimps not a whit on comfort. When daybed is made up with pale apricot sheets and a bright blanket, a back rest cushion stands in for a headboard. A small table pulls up to bedside for nighttime needs, and tall lamp on end table throws plenty of light over reader's head. Springs Mills sheets; Pearce wool blanket. Interior designer: Dora Weiss.



## bedtime bookworm

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5. A young couple on the go all day may well find bedtime the most peaceful time for perusing their how-to books. This Early American four-poster crisply made up with multicolored sheets and a deep blue blanket offers a placid oasis for concentration. A chest on one side and a night table on the other provide locations for two equally good lamps. Bed tray is stencilled to match sheets. Bed linens by Fieldcrest.
6. A little girl, no matter how unwilling to face the sandman, would be enticed by a bed decked out with pale mauve-blue sheets and a blue flower-strewn blanket. A lightweight rocker is pulled up to the bedside (within good range of a wall-hung lamp) for mother to read a bedtime story. Should the child wake early, an antique cradle at arm's reach holds an array of picture books. Wamsutta sheets; Chatham blanket. Bed and chests, Child Craft. Wallpaper cut-outs, Gene McDonald. 7. An older member of the family-possibly a lady who loves the theatre-is apt to read in bed more than anyone. So, comforts should be laid on generously. This bed, made up with "Toile de Jouy" patterned sheets, has an adjustable mattress that can be raised at ends. On bedside table is electric blanket control and a Relax-A-cizor (more on the newest version of this machine on page 129). J. P. Stevens sheets; General Electric blanket. All beds have Simmons mattresses and box springs. Bed frames by Harvard. Shopping information, page 128.


## A SAMPLING OF BOOKS

 TO END THE DAYFOR A TEEN-AGE GIRL:
"This Hallowed Ground" by Bruce Catton;
"The Incredible Journey" by
Sheila Burnford; "How to Enjoy Ballet" by Arnold L. Haskell;
"Wiser Than Winter" by Dorothy Pitkin. FOR WEEK-LONG GUESTS:
"Sinclair Lewis, An American Life" by Mark Schorer;
"The Rothschilds" by Frederic Morton;
"The Fox in the Attic" by Richard Hughes;
"The Ivy Tree" by Mary Stewart.
FOR A MARRIED COUPLE:
Her selection: "Portofino PTA" by Gerald
Green; "A Bridge for Passing" by
Pearl S. Buck. His selection: "The Decline of Pleasure" by Walter Kerr;
"O'Neill" by Arthur and Barbara Gelb; "High in the Thin Cold Air" by
Sir Edmund Hillary and Desmond Doig. FOR WEEKEND GUESTS:
"Mission of Fear" by George Harmon Coxe;
"Pigeon Feathers and Other
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# Ordered calm: A house planned with formal beauty 

If some people find serenity in an easy, informal flow of space, others derive calmness of spirit from the measured cadences of spaces precisely drawn and clearly organized. Among the partisans of the second point of view are Mr. and Mrs. John Winterbotham of Houston, Tex., whose Palladian-like villa of glass, steel and Mexican brick shows how pleasantly relaxing formal order can be. The plan is an extension of Mrs. Winterbotham's theory that the only way to run a household is for everyone to have a specific territory. This is yet another example of the multiple house (see page 78). Moreover, every room has a clearly defined function and is, in a sense, a place apart. But the delights of the house go deeper than the smooth organization of daily living-there is a sense of satisfaction and completeness in the whole concept of its design. At the front of the house, tall gates, stretched between two projecting wings, convey a sense of well-ordered, highly civilized composure. But at the back, the elegant geometry of tiers of glass contrasts unabashedly with the luxuriance of a landscape dense with live oaks and dreamy Spanish moss. Paradoxically, this very failure to meet nature halfway via natural materials and rustic informality only goes to emphasize the untrammeled naturalness of the surroundings and the sense of closeness to the outdoors.



Tall pierced wood gates, enclosing entrance courtyard, frame the classic approach.
owners: Mr. and Mrs. John Winterbotham architects: Preston Bolton and Howard Barnstone interior decorator: Wells Design
landscape architect: Fred Buxton location: Houston, Tex.
sIze: 4,000 square feet


The plan, of almost Palladian symmetry, is bisected by a marblepaved entrance hall that provides direct access to three of the main rooms, each of which is a self-contained, practically dead-end area. The enclosed stairway which is also part of the central core gives the dining room uncommon privacy and adds to the seclusion of the bedrooms upstairs. Behind the main house is a second one, smaller but likewise self-sufficient, for the Winterbothams' college-age son, Jack. Both houses share the deck, which is reached by bridges from the main house and forms a deft transition between it and woods.

above left: Through the glass wall at one side of the entrance hall, you look directly into a tiny walled garden (almost a synonym for tranquillity) planted with tropical greenery, cooled by fountains. Like the entrance hall, it is paved with marble. The other side of the hall looks out on a Japanese garden. left: The plan of the kitchen deftly combines the virtues of a big kitchen with those of a small one. In the far left-hand corner is the kitchen proper, a room-within-a-room, closed to through traffic by a peninsula that contains two counter-high ovens, one opening to the kitchen, the other to the breakfast area. There is also a second surface-cooking station in the long counter along the right wall of the room, so Mrs. Winterbotham can easily prepare her own specialties without interfering with the cook. (For added peace of mind, the cooking equipment is divided between gas and electricity.) Twin freezers and food storage cabinets, built into left wall of room, are convenient to service door next to peninsula.


ABOVE: Well-loved antiques that once furnished the Winterbothams' former house in Galveston add to the glass-walled living room reassuring symbols of continuity with the past. Along with its invigorating treetop view, the room also offers a soothing sense of enclosure produced by sound-muffling padding under the silk-covered walls (especially desirable strategy in a room with so much glass and bare floor areas). RIGHT: A totally different atmosphere pervades the snug, magnolia-paneled library which is entirely closed in except for one large window opposite the sofa. Panels on one side of the fireplace conceal TV and hi-fi equipment; those on the other, a built-in bar. The rest of the room is lined with books from cabinet tops to ceiling, and the furnishings (mostly acquired during the Winterbothams' travels) are in warm rich colors: the hot reds and pinks of silks from Thailand and the reds and yellows of an exuberant Spanish rug. The latter is laid over a sound absorbent, wall-to-wall floor covering of hemp.


Quick color switch can be made in living room, ABOVE, since padded walls are covered with removable silk, attached with Velcro. Silk zips off, beLow, new covering can take its place.



A house with formal beauty


Although designed primarily as a bachelor apartment, the little house is versatile enough for other roles: a dressing area for swimmers; a younger generation party center; a potential guest house for visiting grandchildren (the Winterbothams also have two married daughters). Location of kitchen and bathroom protects privacy of little house occupants, keeps noise from reaching big one.

above right: The exterior design departs just enough from that of the main house to establish the difference in character. The use of wood panels (instead of brick masonry) and exposed wood posts instead of steel gives the small house a much more informal air, and the color scheme is reversed: deep brown for the panels here, buff for the trim. Windowless walls at front and sides emphasize seclusion from main house although front door is only a few steps away, via deck and bridge to big-house kitchen. right: In his own kitchen, Jack Winterbotham has all the equipment he needs for serving his guests or preparing meals for himself, which, when he is in the mood, he often does. far right: Sofa-bed in living room can accommodate weekend guest, and long rattan table-bench with matching stools offers the dual option of flexible seating or buffet space for parties.


# How to stay home and stay safe 



## To enjoy a reasonable <br> facsimile of the climate of Eden, a house must be as safe as design, device and devotion can make it

Some aspects of security can be built into a house. Some can be achieved with a miscellany of indoor and outdoor equipment. Beyond that, safety is a question of habit. Here are sundry ways-beginning with the care and feeding of electric outlets and ending with how to dry-clean the draperies and still be around to enjoy them later-in which you can capture and keep the peace of mind promised by latter-day household guardian angels.

Since overloading electric circuits is one of the more popular indoor sports, check with your electrician as to exactly how much power has been built into your dwelling. Then either be content with your lot-or rewire. A triple plug in a single outlet does not mean that, by some magic, the current is tripled. It isn't. The sput you just heard was a fuse blowing.


Unless you're heavily insured, try not to live in a house with a single step separating levels. Guests may trip. As for staircases, they should be well built, well lighted, and, ideally, curve and have landings (less distance to plummet). Carpet them; never, even if you're a Harriet Craig, wax them; and check your balusters. A loose one can mean a triperoo.

Moving outdoors, let's your fences? As Mr. Frost tells us, they're wonderful things: they make good neighbors, keep out belligerent dogs, prevent strangers and the children next door from falling into your swimming pool. In case you didn't know it (and possess a swimming pool), this particular kind of fence is now required by law in most places.
$\mathbf{N}_{\text {ow }}$ to the terrace; whatever you do, avoid like the plague board floors with chinks just wide enough to trap a spike heel. Also shun loose brick paving: it harbors the same maddening pitfall. Since
they're as often wet as dry, terraces should be even in structure,


Snow and ice are always bugaboos, and although the old remedies of salt or ashes for slippery walks and driveways still work, they're hard on dogs' feet and the asher's back. Much better are electric or hot-water ice-melting systems-usually installed while driveways and walks are being laid, but quite possible (via a superimposed system) with existing pavement.


Do you come home in style? An automatic control mounted on your car's dashboard will open and close the garage door so that you stay dry if it's raining, safe from your neighbor's mastiff if he has one. And attached to the car's power system, a delay switch will keep the car lights on until you reach the house, like a homing pigeon, then put them out.

One last outdoor precaution: since the rage for patio cooking, exterior night lighting and moon-lit music seems to be here to stay, most houses have a peppering of outdoor outlets. Which is fine. Just see that they all wear waterproof caps. Uncapped and wet, they can cause short circuits and transmit a whopper of a shock to children, curiosity cats and dogs and (improbable but possible) you.

Come in, now, out of the cold. How's the rug chored is a peril incarnate. Nail it down, but not, please, with spikes; use furniture or little suction cups or, for small rugs, foam rubber liners. There is also a liquid which, sprayed on the back of rugs, makes them cling to the floor like limpets.

While we're placing furniture, let us remember that more shins have been barked and funny bones outraged by ineptly arranged tables and chairs than by mountain climbing. Keep your rooms navigable with footstools close to parent chairs, end tables close to parent sofas, what-nots aloof, the rocking chair with its wicked ankle-height horns out of traffic's path.
$\mathbf{S}_{\text {witch, }}$ for a moment, from rocking chairs to medicine chests (also habit-controlled equipment), and use your head. Never, for example, keep ammonia in an eye-bath bottle. Label all drugs as big as life, and discard all nostrums once they've worked their cure, before they lose their labels and you forget quite what it was that ailed you. Don't play doctor.


Do we hear the patter of little feet? If so, gates are in order. Adjustable, portable, installed in a wink, these barriers keep children from falling down stairs, crawling upstairs, out of the kitchen, out of the laundry, out of your hair. Permanent gates for nursery windows are fine for parental peace of mind, even better for tykes who want to play Peter Pan.

Good safety habits, you see, are potent factors, and should be instilled in the young until they stick. When you find Junior shaking up an iodine cocktail or little Sister crawling merrily down the fire escape in her nightgown, lock up the medicine chest, get a window gate-then read the riot act. Safety habits are as important as table manners, and last longer.


Other installations of merit are alarms. Hot or cold, they all react to temperature. Fire alarms may be installed room by room, or in a house-wide system with a central bell-the best. An alarm in the attic may not be heard by preoccupied ears in the basement. For vikings who like cold houses, a new freeze alarm goes off in time to save the pipes, begonias and cat.

Along with the alarm, a fire extinguisher is a handy thing to have around the house. The newest type is a three-way-stretch affair that will put out three kinds of fire. Memorize the instructions printed on the apparatus so you can operate it without hesitation
and with aplomb. Fire extinguishers are not toys. Instruct your pleasure-bent brood accordingly.


While on this sparkish subject, remember that, although outdoor cooking is fairly unhazardous, few living rooms are as fireproof as kitchens. So don't pop the hibachi in the fireplace and cook up a storm. You may cook the curtains. Fireplaces are fine things, but only as long as they're well screened and with nothing closer to them than a well-chilled back.
$\mathbf{T}_{\text {o harp on: once lit, candles-for all their power to evoke dining- }}^{\text {- }}$ table romance or save the day (or night) when the fuses blow-must be kept out of drafts. Given a high wind and a lace curtain, they go berserk. If, for emergency's sake, you are sensibly old-fashioned enough to own a kerosene lamp, keep it coolish. A too-hot chimney can be a small Vesuvius.
$\mathbf{N}_{\text {ow to the kitchen and cutlery inspection. }}$ Never keep sharp, unsheathed knives loose in a drawer. Risky for fingers, dulling for knives. The safest knives are housed, sharp side in, in knife racks high on the wall, well out of the reach of you know who. Shears and scissors, too, should be labeled taboo, as should scimitars-if the family armory runs to such things.


Seemingly innocent, the utility closet is not. Cleaning fluids, waxes, polishes and oils are full of Heaven knows what and should be sealed in their containers tight as a drum. And always wash cleaning and waxing cloths before putting them away. A utility closet on an outside wall is ideal, but wherever it is, keep it locked. Little pitchers have cunning paws.

Big pitchers, however, are not always so cunning. Never, never use a chair to get at a top-shelf treasure. Chairs teeter. High work calls for a ladder-a nice, strong, dependable ladder. The aluminum variety is light enough for any little woman to whisk about, and not so costly that a wellequipped domicile can't afford to have at least one to a floor.

$\mathbf{T}_{0}$ end on a breezy note, if ever you've flung the windows wide, fling them at do-it-yourself dry-cleaning time to nip noxious fumes in the bud. The miracle cleaners are often possessed of chemical miasmas that bode ill to the respiratory system. That's how they take out spots. Check, now, on your fire-accident-liability insurance policies (dandy guardian angels in their own right), then rest content.


Trays for two turn Sunday supper into a cozy and co-ordinated occasion rather than a picnic scramble. Laminated fabric trays rest on brass stands that pull up comfortably across knees. Each tray is set with its own bottle of wine, carafe of coffee and condiments. Cake stand holds bread, empty dishes.


## Keep your trays on the move

When Dylan Thomas wrote about a "tea-tray slithered run" on a "chilly glinting hill," he reminded us that, improbable as it may seem to some, a tray makes an admirable impromptu toboggan. Quite apart from such esoteric uses, however, trays are versatile in many ways beyond the normal ones of being carriers for cocktails or breakfasts-in-bed. Primarily, of course, a tray is a traveler-you might call it a peripatetic place setting. As such, you can use it wherever a dining table would be impractical-for dining by the fire as you watch TV, for breakfasting by the window that overlooks the blossoming orchard or for lunching on the terrace. For a buffet party, you might provide a stack of lightweight, vividly lacquered trays for the guests to use cafeteria style: they can carry off their food and silver in one trip, then have a firm, flat surface to eat from. Trays are also excellent organizers. Before a dinner party, you might assemble everything for each course (the salad, for instance, plus cruets of oil and vinegar, seasonings, plates, forks) on individual trays, and as they are emptied, use them to remove dishes from the previous course. Trays are also simplifiers. For informal weekend meals, you might set up trays in advance so that each member of the family can get his own food when hungry and carry it off to eat anywhere in the house.

Setting a tray is no different from arranging a normal place setting-but stay away from tall, tippy glasses. Also, avoid serving on trays anything that needs determined cutting-if you don't want to precipitate chaos resembling that of a ship's dining room in a storm. Here and on the following pages, you will find a miscellany of ideas for keeping trays on the move about your house, and for organizing and simplifying both your daily meals and parties.

A tray buffet arrives in one easy trip by the fireside of architect Edgar Tafel's living room. Rolling cart has removable tray-shelves for serving soup and salad, collecting dishes afterwards so they can be wheeled away. Coffee, prepared in advance, kept hot in a vacuum carafe, waits with mugs on a tray of its own.


Today's trays run a gayer-than-ever gamut of shapes and sizes-literally, one for every possible kind of occasion. You can find trays made of ceramic, trays of wood, brass or painted metals and still others of a new transparent plastic that comes in a luscious array of jewel-clear colors. There are also trays with brightly patterned fabrics laminated to their tops, and others that are electrified so they can serve as food warmers. For full details of H\&G's harvest, turn to page 128.


To cosset late readers-in-bed or early waking guests: a bedside tray laden with the makings of a hot drink (instant coffee, tea or a tisane, and a jug of water) plus an immersion heater to boil water right in mug.
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To refresh hard-working committee members, an orange-and-white striped electric tray waits at elbow reach with piping hot coffee and crisp pastries.

A checkerboard of plastic laminate and teak makes a dramatic tray for cheeses.



Cocktail strategy: tiny individual trays to unite provender, free a hand.


## Trays <br> continued



Idea for storing trays: convert waste space between cabinets and refrigerator into a small closet with adjustable partitions.


For pull-out storage: in a base

For easy passing at an informal
dinner party, unite condiments on a small, deep-lipped tray.


Two-decker tray with a plastic-laminate shelf and a bottle rack makes an all-in-one bar to tote anywhere indoors or out.
cabinet, install a drawer that slides out on tracks. Fit interior with angled partitions to file trays.


Eye-level storage: wall-hanging tray rack of teak and chrome that firmly clasps up to eight trays of different sizes.


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Anatole France once remarked that the cassoulet in his favorite restaurant had been cooking for twenty years. Whether or not he exaggerated, it is true that the traditional pot-au-feu of the French peasant household never stops cooking, for the big iron pot bubbling gently on the back of the stove is a receptacle for all sorts of leftovers, pieces of meat, odd vegetables, bones and sauces. And the longer the pot bubbles, the more tantalizingly savory the aromas become, blending into an essence that can never be captured in words. Many of the dishes in this cook book were invented out of necessity by thrifty cooks who couldn't bear to throw away a lone vegetable or a bone with meat still clinging to it. Although these dishes take long, slow hours of cooking, they require no attention while they cook. Most of them taste better if they are made one day, stored in the refrigerator, and reheated one or even two days later. In addition, many actually improve with freezing, if properly packaged, so that a minimum of flavor is lost in the drying out of the freezing process (all dishes that take to freezing are so indicated at the end of the recipe). Chicken stews are the only in-apot meals that do not reheat well because
the chicken falls apart and the meat loses flavor if cooked too long.

The sustaining quality of in-a-pot meals makes them ideal for winter menus and a lifesaver for the woman faced with the task of furnishing a solid meal at the end of a busy day, or the hostess with a dozen and one details to attend to. Because they are a meal in themselves, the only accompaniments required are a salad, French bread and an appropriate wine. Stews, the most versatile of the in-a-pot dishes, are all made in basically the same way, whether the recipe comes from Paris or Istanbul, Spain or Scandinavia. Pot roasts also share a common technique, as do the sauerkraut dishes found throughout Europe. Perhaps the greatest asset of in-apot cooking is its scope. While Irish stew or corned beef and cabbage is more for the family board than the dinner party, a sumptuous blanquette de veau or coq au vin is fine fare for a party, and the olla podrida of Spain, although a humble dish there, is sufficiently exotic for American tastes to permit its appearance at a Sunday night supper. Stews and pot roasts can be as simple or as elaborate as you like, limited only by your imagination. For shopping information, please turn to page 128.

## Stews

## Basic Meat Stew

2 pounds boneless meat (bee), lamb, veal or pork) cut in chunks; or 3-4 pounds meat with bone, cut in serving-size pieces

## 3 tablespoons flour

1 teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons fat or oil
2 medium onions, sliced or chopped, or 8-12 peeled small white onions
1 carrot, cut in chunks
Other vegetables as desired
$21 / 2$ cups liquid (wine, bouillon, vegetable broth, tomato juice, etc.)
Seasonings to taste (see flavoring variations)
Cornstarch or flour for thickening, if desired
Dredge meat with flour blended with salt. Brown in hot fat or oil, placing only as many pieces of meat in the fat at a time as the skillet or pot can hold without crowding. Remove as soon as well browned. Add onions to the fat after all of meat is browned, lower heat and cook until golden, taking care that they do not burn. Replace meat, add carrot, other vegetables and liquid and whatever seasonings are desired. (Some vegetables are not added until the last 15 minutes of cooking-see vegetable variations.) If a well-seasoned stock is used, or bouillon cubes and water, little if any sait may be necessary. In any case, go easy with salt in the beginning,
taste for salt after stew has simmered at least an hour. Cooking time depends on quality and tenderness of meat; most stews require about 2 hours. Some stews require no thickening at all; in fact, the question of thickening is strictly a matter of individual preference. If the sauce is too thin for your taste, make a thin paste of cornstarch or flour, dilute it with liquid from the pot, then add to the pot to simmer until thickened. You can also make dumplings and cook these in the unthickened liquid.

Always use some other liquid than plain water, if possible. If you have no stock or wine on hand, at least use bouillon cubes or powdered bouillon concentrate with water. Fresh or canned tomatoes must be considered as a liquid as well as a vegetable, for they disintegrate in boiling.

Onions add a sweetness to stew. If you do not want to use onions, add a little sweetening, such as a sweet wine, or fruit juice or even a teaspoon of sugar.

This basic recipe serves 6 .

## flavoring variations:

1. Add minced fresh or frozen dill. Fresh dill, wrapped in plastic wrap, will keep well in the freezer, can be chopped off as needed.
2. Add $1 / 4$ cup minced fresh parsley during the last 2 or 3 minutes of cooking.
3. Add spices-powdered fennel, cumin, ginger, curry powder, or chili powder-when the meat is browning. The spice flavor is brought out more definitely when added to the fat.
4. For the liquid, use a cup of white wine, 2
tablespoons brandy, plus water or bouillon.
5. Flame the meat with brandy before adding other liquid. (Flaming burns off the alcohol, leaving concentrated flavor.)
6. For part of the liquid, use dry vermouth, add a pinch of tarragon.
7. Use $1 / 2$ cup syrup from canned peaches for part of the liquid, add a pinch of powdered cloves and a pinch of powdered ginger; or fennel and dill. 8. Add 2 tablespoons vinegar and 1 tablespoon brown sugar to beef stew for a sweetsour sauce. 9. If tomatoes are used, a pinch of cinnamon is good in the sauce.
8. Soy sauce may be used in place of or for part of the salt.
9. Add such seasonings as Worcestershire sauce, Tabasco sauce, garlic or garlic powder, A-1 Sauce, or the mixed seasoning herbs with daring, imagination-and care. Too much of any of these strong-flavored condiments can ruin your stew. Go easy on herbs, too.
10. For richness, add heavy cream or sour cream, but always at the last moment-the sour cream after the heat has been turned off.

## vegetable variations:

Add any of the following during the last 30 minutes: potatoes; turnips; parsnips; rutabagas; fresh shelled limas. Add any of the following during the last 15 minutes: green beans, cut; fresh shelled peas; frozen limas; Swiss chard; kale; frozen artichoke hearts. Add during the last 5 minutes: any frozen vegetables (except limas and artichoke hearts) ; celery; spinach.


Simplest of all types of dishes to cook, a stew demands little in the way of equipment. Start with a sturdy, steady pot for slow simmering, easy-to-handle canisters and shakers for herbs and seasonings. Add wellpadded pot holders, spoons of wood and metal for stirring and skimming, a long-handled fork to test for tenderness, tongs to turn meat and a bulb baster for removing film of fat from a stew's surface.

## Hökarpauna <br> (Swedish Stew)

## 1/4 pound salt pork, diced

1 pound boneless stewing beef, cubed 1 pound beef heart or veal kidney, diced
$1 / 4$ cup flour, seasoned with 1 teaspoon salt 4 onions, sliced
4-6 potatoes, thickly sliced
2 cups diced rutabaga
Salt and pepper to taste
1/4 cup tomato catsup
1 bottle beer
1 cup bouillon (or bouillon cube and water) 1 bay leaf

Heat salt pork in a heavy pot to draw out the fat. Dredge beef and diced heart or kidney with the flour. Brown the meat in the pork fat, removing meat as it browns; place half of it in a layer in bottom of a heavy casserole. Add the vegetables in layers, sprinkling each layer with salt. Place remaining meat on top. Combine catsup and beer, pour over meat. Add bouillon and bay leaf. Cover tightly and cook $11 / 2-2$ hours or until meat is tender. Taste for seasoning. Serves 6-8.

## Swedish Lamb Stew with Dill

3 pounds boned lamb from leg or shoulder, cubed
2 tablespoons shortening
12 small white onions
1-pound can tomatoes
1 tablespoon fresh dill, chopped
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
$11 / 2$ tablespoons flour
1 cup water
2 chicken bouillon cubes
Potatoes, peeled and quartered (optional)
Brown the meat in the hot shortening. Add the onions and brown lightly. Add the tomatoes, dill and salt. Cook uncovered 5 minutes. Sprinkle with the flour and blend well. Add the water and bouillon cubes. Cover. Bring just to a boil, turn low, simmer gently about $11 / 2$ hours or until meat is tender. If desired, add quartered peeled potatoes to pot during last 20 minutes. Serves 8. This stew freezes well.

## Austrian Veal Goulash

$21 / 2$ pounds boneless veal, cubed
4 tablespoons butter
4 medium onions, thinly sliced
1 tablespoon paprika
1-pound can tomatoes, sieved
1 cup white wine
1 chicken bouillon cube
1/2 pound mushrooms, sliced and sautéed in butter
1 cup sour cream
Sauté the veal in the butter. Add the onions and cook over low heat until onions are soft. Add the paprika and simmer 1 minute. Add the tomatoes, wine and bouillon cube and simmer, covered, 2 hours. Add the sautéed mushrooms just before serving. Turn off the heat and stir the sour cream into the sauce. Serve with buttered noodles. Serves 8.

## Blanquette de Veau

## 2 pounds veal, cut in cubes

1 $1 / 2$ tablespoons butter
2 small white onions, each stuck with 1 clove
1 or 2 carrots, cubed
1 bay leaf
$1 / 2$ cup dry vermouth
$11 / 2$ cups water
1 teaspoon salt
Small thin slice of lemon peel
$1 / 4$ pound mushroom caps, sautéed in butter 2 egg yolks
$1 / 2$ cup heavy cream
Saute the veal in the butter until lightly browned. Add the onions, carrots, bay leaf, vermouth, water, salt and lemon peel. Simmer covered 1 hour or until veal is very tender. Add the mushroom caps, which have been cooked separately (they retain distinctive mushroom flavor better this way). Beat egg yolks and cream. Add a little hot liquid from veal to the mixture, stirring constantly to prevent curdling. Add to liquid in the pan, stirring, and simmer until thickened, about 5 minutes, again taking care that the sauce does not boil, and that the egg yolks don't curdle. Serves 6.

## Andalusian Lamb Stew

4 pounds lamb for stew, cut in serving pieces
4 teaspoons salt
2 tablespoons flour
$1 / 2$ cup olive oil
3 large onions, chopped
2 or 3 cloves garlic, crushed
2 ripe tomatoes, peeled and chopped,
or 1 cup canned tomatoes
1 teaspoon powdered cumin
1 teaspoon cinnamon
$1 / 4$ teaspoon cloves
1 cup dry sherry
$21 / 2$ cups water
1 package frozen butter beans
Dust the lamb with 2 teaspoons salt mixed with the flour. Brown in the olive oil, adding a slice of onion to prevent the oil spattering. Add chopped onion, garlic and ripe tomatoes (canned tomatoes should be added after onion is soft). Cook until onion is soft, add seasonings and remaining salt. Cook 1 minute to flavor meat thoroughly, then add sherry and water. Simmer covered 3 or 4 hours, skimming occasionally. Cool; skim off fat accumulated on top. Chill in refrigerator at least 24 hours. Reheat when needed, adding the beans. Cook the beans 20 minutes to $1 / 2$ hour. Serve with saffron rice. Serves 10 . This freezes well.

VARIATION:
Use boneless beef or lamb, cut in 1" pieces.
You will need only 3 pounds of boneless meat.

## Greek Lamb Stew with Okra

3 pounds lamb shoulder, cut for stew
$1 / 4$ cup olive oil
$1 / 4$ cup chopped yellow onion
$21 / 2$ cups canned tomatoes
$1 / 4$ teaspoon thyme
1 teaspoon salt
1 or 2 carrots, peeled and cubed
1 or 2 leeks (white part only), cut in $2^{\prime \prime}$
pieces, or 6 small white onions, peeled
1 package frozen okra
1 teaspoon lemon juice
Brown the meat in the olive oil. Push to one side, add onion and cook until soft. Add tomatoes, thyme and salt. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and cook, covered, until meat is tender, about $11 / 2$ hours. Add carrots and leeks or onions after 1 hour. Add okra and lemon juice during last 15 minutes. Serve with hot cooked rice. Serves 4. This freezes well.

## Danish Beef Stew

2 pounds boneless beef, cut in $1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ cubes
2 tablespoons shortening
1 large onion, sliced
1 carrot, quartered
$1 / s$ teaspoon anise seed, or $1 / 4$ teaspoon tarragon, crumbled to powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 stalk celery, diced
$1 / 2$ cup Cherry Kijaja (Danish cherry wine)
2 cups water
Sauté beef in shortening until brown on all sides. Remove. Add onion, cook over moderate heat until lightly browned. Replace beef. Add remaining ingredients. Bring just to a boil, cover, reduce heat and simmer gently $11 / 2-2$ hours. Serves 6 . This stew freezes well.

## Coq au Vin

2 frying chickens, cut up Salt
$1 / 4$ teaspoon cloves or allspice
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
Tarragon vinegar
$1 / 2$ pound salt pork, diced
12 small white onions, peeled
3 tablespoons brandy
1 bottle red Burgundy
1 tablespoon sugar
Pinch of thyme
1 tablespoon minced celery leaves
1 tablespoon minced parsley
6 whole baby carrots, scraped and cooked
24 button mushroom caps, sautéed in 2 tablespoons
butter, or 6-ounce can button mushrooms
Remove necks, wing tips, giblets and bonier parts of back from the two chickens; use these parts to make stock for a pot-au-feu or other stew. Combine 2 teaspoons salt, the cloves and pepper and rub over the remaining chicken parts. Sprinkle these pieces with the tarragon vinegar.

In a skillet, render fat of salt pork, add white onions, brown lightly and transfer to large pot or casserole. Brown the chicken in the fat a few pieces at a time, then transfer to the pot. Add the brandy and set aflame. When the flame has died out, add the wine, sugar, thyme, celery leaves, parsley and baby carrots. Simmer covered 45 minutes to 1 hour or until chicken is very tender. Remove the chicken and onions to a platter, strain the sauce and boil to reduce. Taste for seasoning. Serve the chicken on a platter over a mound of hot cooked rice, accompanied by the onions, carrots and mushrooms. Sprinkle minced parsley over the top if desired. Serves 8.

## Good news for stews: the self-basting pot



The Doufeu enameled cast-iron pot has a deep well in the lid which you fill with cold water after the stew begins to cook, and replenish as needed.


As water evaporates, steam condenses on the small points on the inside of the lid and falls into the pot, eliminating need for checking the liquid level.

## Pot-au-Feu

The following should be considered as a basic pattern for making pot-au-feu from leftovers. The dish can be saved, French-style, and enriched with other well-seasoned leftover sauces and gravies and bits and pieces of cooked meat, chicken, sausage, etc.

## 1 $1 / 2-2$ pounds beef hind shank for stew

Leftover knuckle bones or other bones from roast, or remains of roast chicken or turkey
2 or 3 medium onions, each studded with 1 clove
1 celery stalk with leaves, minced 4-6 whole peppercorns
1 quart water, or enough to cover
2 tablespoons salt
$1 / 4$ teaspoon thyme
$1 / 4$ teaspoon basil
1 bay leaf
1 tablespoon minced Italian parsley
Leftover brown sauce or gravy (any amount)
2 cups dry table wine (any kind)
$1-2$ cups leftover beans, rice, macaroni, or noodles, or $1 / 2$ cup uncooked rice or elbow macaroni
1 pound uncooked boneless stewing meat-veal or pork
Any leftover cooked meat, diced
1 cup diced yellow vegetables (carrots, rutabaga, parsnips)
2 or 3 leeks, cut in $2^{\prime \prime}$ lengths
2 cups green vegetables (green beans, peas), or 1 package frozen vegetables

Place hind shank of beef in kettle with leftover bones from roast meat or poultry, clove-studded onions, minced celery, peppercorns, water, salt and herbs. Cover pot, bring to a boil and simmer 3 hours, skimming occasionally. Remove the meat, trim edible portions and save. Strain the broth and return to the kettle with the trimmed meat, leftover sauce or gravy, wine, leftover beans or rice or pasta, boneless stewing meat and any leftover cooked meat. Cook approximately 45 minutes. Add fresh uncooked diced yellow vegetables, leeks and fresh beans or shelled peas, cook 20 minutes, until vegetables are tender. Allow 5 minutes for frozen vegetables. Makes 810 servings. Save whatever is left, combine with leftovers from other meals and heat again.

## Olla Podrida

The olla podrida of Spain is essentially the same as the pot-au-feu of France, except that invariably it contains chick peas and pork products, sausage and ham in particular.
$1 / 2$ pound salt pork or fat back, diced
1 pound chorizo, blood sausage or other garlicflavored sausage, cubed

## $1 / 2$ cup olive oil

2 large onions, diced
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 large can (1 pound, 14 ounces) tomatoes
1 or 2 pimientos, diced
Ham bone (from roast)
Veal knuckle
1 cup beef or chicken broth, or leftover brown sauce

## 6 cups water

3 carrots, scraped and cubed
1 small cabbage, quartered
$6-8$ potatoes, peeled and quartered
21 -pound cans chick peas
$1 / 2$ cup minced parsley
Salt to taste

In a heavy pot, sauté the diced salt pork or fat back and the cubed sausage in the olive oil. Push to one side, add the onions and garlic, cook until soft. Add the tomatoes and pimiento, cook 5 min utes longer. Add the ham bone, veal knuckle, broth or leftover sauce, and the water. Bring to a boil, lower heat and simmer several hours, skimming occasionally. During the last half hour, add the carrots, cabbage and potatoes and cook until tender. Add canned chick peas with their liquid and parsley during last 10 minutes. Season to taste. Makes $8-10$ servings.

## Poularde Portugaise

13 -pound chicken, cut up
2 tablespoons olive oil
4 tablespoons butter
$11 / 2$ teaspoons salt
$1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper
1 large onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, crushed
2 green peppers, cut in squares
1 cup diced or button mushroom.
2 large tomatoes, thickly sliced, or 1 cup canned
$1 / 4$ cup minced parsley
$1 / 2$ cup dry white wine
$1 / 2$ cup chopped green olives
$1 / 2$ cup heavy cream
Brown the chicken in the oil and melted butter and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Remove to a warm place. Add the onion, garlic, green peppers and mushrooms to the oil and butter and cook until onion is soft. Replace chicken. Arrange to mato slices and parsley on the top, add the wine. cover tightly and cook over lowest possible heat for 40 minutes or until chicken is tender. Remove chicken to a casserole. Add olives to sauce, bring to a boil. Reduce heat; stir in cream. Serves 4.

## Osso Buco

4 pounds shanks of veal, cut in $2^{\prime \prime}$ pieces
$1 / 2$ cup flour
1 tablespoon salt
3 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons butter
1 cup water
$1 / 2$ cup white wine
1 or 2 cloves garlic, crushed
$1 / 2$ teaspoon basil, crushed
Pinch of thyme
1 tablespoon minced parsley
2 tablespoons tomato paste
2 onions, chopped
1 teaspoon minced lemon zest
4 carrots, scraped and diced
1 stalk celery, chopped
1 tablespoon minced celery leaves
Dust the veal shanks with the flour blended with the salt. Brown over high heat in the oil and butter. Lower heat, add the water and wine slowly, stirring to blend and let simmer gently. Crush the garlic and mash to a paste with the herbs. Blend in the tomato paste and add this mixture to the broth with the chopped onions and the lemon zest (only the yellow part of the rind, none of the white). Cook covered at least 2 hours, until meat is nearly falling from bones. During last half hour, add carrots and celery stalk and leaves. Cook until carrots are tender. Transfer meat to a platter. Strain the sauce and thicken if desired with 2 tablespoons butter worked into a ball with 2 tablespoons flour and an additional teaspoon minced parsley. Add to sauce, simmer until smooth. Serve with noodles. Serves 6 .

## Irish Stew

## $1 / 2$ cup flour

2 teaspoons salt
$1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper
3 pounds lamb for stew, cut in serving pieces
3 tablespoons fat
$1 / 2$ cup sliced onion
Boiling water to cover, about $21 / 2$ cups
6 medium potatoes, peeled and diced
2 carrots, scraped and diced
2 or 3 white turnips, quartered
Parsley Dumplings (optional)
Blend the flour, salt and pepper and dredge the meat in the flour mixture. Brown in the hot fat in a skillet. Transfer to a heavy pot. Cook onion in fat until lightly colored, then add to meat. Add boiling water to cover meat, cover pot tightly, simmer at low heat $11 / 2$ or 2 hours. Blanch potatoes by covering them with boiling water; drain. Add potatoes, carrots and turnips to stew during the last 20 minutes. Cook until vegetables are tender. To thicken sauce, blend part of the flour mixture used for dredging the meat with sauce from the pot to make a thin paste, add this to the sauce in the pot, simmer until thickened. Serves 6. If dumplings are to be added, prepare as in following recipe.

## Parsley Dumplings

2 cups biscuit mix<br>Pinch of nutmeg<br>1/s teaspoon thyme<br>$1 / 4$ cup minced parsley<br>$1 / 2$ cup boiling water or $1 / 2$ cup milk

Combine the biscuit mix with the seasonings, blending well. Add water or milk, stir to moisten. Drop by spoonfuls on top of the boiling stew, cover and cook 12 minutes.

## Chicken with Dumplings

5-pound stewing chicken, cut up<br>12 small white onions, peeled<br>2 whole cloves<br>4 peppercorns<br>$1 / 4$ teaspoon thyme, crushed<br>1 tablespoon salt<br>3 cups water<br>2 large carrots, scraped, cut in $2^{\prime \prime}$ pieces<br>2 parsnips, cut in $2^{\prime \prime}$ pieces<br>1 cup biscuit mix<br>1 egg<br>$1 / 2$ cup milk

Arrange chicken in a large kettle or pressure cooker. If you are using a kettle, add one of the onions stuck with the cloves, the peppercorns, thyme, salt and water. Cover, bring to a boil, and simmer gently for 2 hours or until chicken is very tender. Add remaining vegetables during last hour. If you are using a pressure cooker, add only $11 / 2$ cups water, place all the vegetables in the cooker with the chicken at the beginning, bring to 15 pounds pressure, cook for 35 minutes, let cool before removing petcock.

Meanwhile, mix the batter for the dumplings, using the biscuit mix, egg and milk. When chicken is cooked, place dumplings over top of chicken and vegetables, turn on heat once more, cook covered for 12 minutes or until dumplings are puffed. Serve dumplings in place of potatoes, spooning the rich chicken broth over the top of each serving. Makes $8-10$ servings.

Pots that serve a stew in style


Decorative pots team with protective trivets to switch from range to table. On a trio of brass trivets: French blue earthenware casserole with fish design (1), blue-and-white Meissen-pattern pot of porcelain enamel on steel (2), glazed brown casserole (3). Staved teak trivet, 11 inches long (4), takes a large pot. Dark blue enameled cast-iron casserole (5) has companion trivet with magnetized circles (6) that cling to metal base.

## Hungarian Beef Gulyas

2.3 tablespoons shortening

2 pounds stewing beef, cut in $1^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ cubes
1 tab espoon paprika
1 green pepper, cut in chunks
2 carrots, quartered
3 medium onions, sliced
1 clove garlic, minced (optional)
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
1-pound can tomatoes, sieved
2 cups water
2 beef bouillon cubes
6 medium potatoes, quartered
Heat the shortening in a large heavy pot, add the meat (just enough at a time to fit in without crowding) and the paprika. Brown meat on all sides; remove. Add the green pepper and carrots, sauté lightly, remove and set aside (they should still be crisp). Add the onions and garlic to the pot, cook over low heat until lightly colored. Replace the meat, add the salt, tomatoes, water and bouillon cubes. Cover tightly, simmer over lowest heat 2 hours, or until meat is tender. Add potatoes during last $1 / 2$ hour. Taste sauce for seasoning and add salt if needed. If thickened sauce is desired, make a thin paste of cornstarch and sauce from the pot, add this paste to the sauce. Replace green pepper and carrots, simmer until carrots are tender, about 5 minutes. Serves 6.

This stew freezes well, but potatoes should be removed before freezing or added later. The potatoes may be cooked separately. The tomatoes may be omitted and $1 / 2$ cup wine used instead.

## VARIATION:

Hungarian Gulyas with Dumplings. Sift 4 cups all-purpose flour into a large bowl, blend with 1 teaspoon salt. Make a well in the center, break in 2 eggs. Knead well to work eggs into the flour, adding about 2 tablespoons cold water to make a very stiff dough. Roll with palms of hands into balls the size of marbles. Dry on waxed paper. To cook, drop the dumplings in the unthickened sauce, boil 4 or 5 minutes.

## Tripe à la Madrileña

3 pounds fresh honeycomb tripe
3 sprigs green celery leaves, minced
2 bay leaves
$1 / 2$ cup minced parsley
$1 / 4$ teaspoon thyme
$3 / 4$ teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
2 teaspoons salt
3 cups water
1/2 pound chorizo or other garlic-flavored sausage
6 bacon strips, chopped, or $1 / 4$ pound salt pork, diced
$1 / 4$ cup olive oil
$1 / 2$ cup chopped onions
2 cloves garlic, minced
$1 / 2$ cup dry white wine
2 beef bouillon cubes
1 large can (1-pound, 14-ounce) peeled tomatoes 4.6 potatoes, quartered

1 pound kale or Swiss chard
1 pound peas, shelled, or 1 package frozen peas
Place the tripe in a kettle with the celery, bay leaves, parsley, thyme, $1 / 2$ teaspoon pepper, salt and water. Cover closely and cook 2 hours, or until tender. Drain. Cut the tripe into thin strips. Cut the sausage into $1^{\prime \prime}$ pieces. Saute the bacon in the olive oil until fat is drawn out. Add the sausage, onions and garlic and cook over lowered heat until onions are soft. Add the wine, bouillon cubes, tomatoes, remaining pepper, tripe strips and sausage. Cover, bring to a boil and simmer over lowest heat $2-3$ hours. Half an hour before end of cooking time, add potatoes, kale or Swiss chard and fresh peas. (Add frozen peas during last 5 minutes.) Serve directly from the pot or from a large earthenware casserole. Tripe à la Madrileña tastes better if made the day before and reheated just before serving time; it can also be frozen, but the potatoes should be removed. Serves 6.

Note: Chorizo is flavored with garlic and paprika and made with pure lean pork only. It does not have to have the fat drawn out before it is added to a stew. If the Spanish-style chorizo is unavailable. Polish garlic sausage can be substituted with similar results.

## Greek Pork Stew Avgholemono

2 pounds lean pork, cubed
5 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 medium onions, sliced
1 tablespoon flour
$11 / 2$ teaspoons salt, or to taste
$1 / 2$ cup dry white wine
$1 / 2$ cup water
1 tablespoon minced parsley
1 bunch celery, including some of leaves
4 egg yolks
3-4 tablespoons lemon juice (according to taste)
Cook the pork in the butter and oil until lightly colored. Transfer to casserole. Add onions to butter and oil and cook until soft. Mix in flour and salt, stirring until flour is lightly colored and mixture smooth. Add the wine slowly, then the water, and simmer until smooth. Add the parsley. Pour over the pork, cover tightly and simmer over lowest heat $11 / 2$ hours. Chop the celery or slice the stalks diagonally and mince the leaves. Arrange over the meat. Cover and cook 20-25 minutes. Beat the egg yolks until thick, beat in the lemon juice 1 tablespoon at a time (Greeks like the sauce quite tart; you may prefer it more bland), then add a few tablespoons of the hot broth from the meat. Pour into the casserole, stirring into hot sauce. Leave casserole covered 5 minutes with the heat turned off. Serve with hot cooked rice. Serves 8 . This may be frozen, but it must be reheated over very low heat to avoid curdling of egg yolks.

## Oxtail Ragout

4 pounds oxtail, cut in serving-size pieces
$1 / 4$ cup flour
Salt
Dash of pepper
3 tablespoons bacon fat or rendered salt pork fat 1/4 cup chopped onion
1 bay leaf
Pinch of thyme
1-pound can tomatoes
2 beef bouillon cubes
1 cup red wine
1 stalk celery, diced
2 or 3 leeks (white part only), cut in $2^{\prime \prime}$ lengths
1 parsnip, peeled and cubed
1 carrot, peeled and cubed
$1 / 4$ pound button mushrooms, sautéed in butter, or 6 -ounce can button mushrooms
Cover the oxtail pieces with boiling water. Let stand 5 or 10 minutes; drain. Blend the flour with 1 teaspoon salt and the pepper. Dredge oxtail pieces with the seasoned flour and sauté in the hot fat in a skillet until well-browned on all sides. Transfer to Dutch oven or similar heavy

limited, nothing beat the blly faithful, favored pressure cooker (4).
pot with a cover. Add the chopped onion to the fat and cook until golden. Add onion to meat in pot with herbs, tomatoes, bouillon cubes and wine. Cover pot tightly, bring to a boil, simmer over very low heat 3 hours. Add celery, leeks, parsnip and carrot. Taste for salt and add more if needed. Cover again and cook $1 / 2$ hour longer. Add sautéed or canned mushrooms to the ragout 5 minutes before turning off heat. If possible, make the ragout 24 hours in advance and chill in the refrigerator. It will taste far better when reheated. Serves 5-6. This ragout freezes well, but is bulky and takes up considerable freezer space.

Instead of mushrooms, quartered cabbage may be added to the stew during the last 10 minutes.

## Pot Roasts

## Basic Pot Roast

$1 / 4$ cup flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
5-pound rump of beef
2 or 3 tablespoons fat or oil
2 onions, sliced, or 10-12 small white onions, peeled 1 or 2 carrots, scraped and cubed
Herbs and other seasonings as desired
I cup liquid (wine, bouillon, tomatoes, vegetable broth, etc.)
Other vegetables as desired
Season the flour with the salt and pepper and pound the mixture into the meat with the edge of a plate. Brown meat on all sides in the hot fat or oil. Add the onions, cover and cook over low heat 10 minutes. Add the carrots, herbs, seasonings and liquid. Cover tightly and simmer $31 / 2-5$ hours, until meat is fork tender. Add desired vegetables during the last 20 or 30 minutes. Makes 6-8 servings, with some meat left over.

POT ROAST VARIATIONS:

1. For part of the liquid, use a 10 -ounce can ( $1 / 1 / 3$ cups) of puréed tomatoes. For seasoning, add 1 tablespoon minced parsley or dill. When the meat has been removed from the pan, add 1 cup sour cream to the sauce.
2. For the liquid, use $3 / 4$ cup dry white wine, 2 tablespoons brandy or rum, and 1 tablespoon chili sauce. For seasoning, add 4-6 coriander seeds and 12 peppercorns.
3. For the liquid, use $1 / 2$ cup syrup from canned fruit, 2 tablespoons vinegar, $1 / 2$ cup water, 1 beef bouillon cube. For seasoning, add a pinch of powdered fennel and a teaspoon of minced dill. 4. For the liquid, use half dry vermouth, half chicken bouillon.

## Pots that cook plentifully

Sta'wart, sizable pots that turn out perfect pot roasts and ragouts now come in everything from Pyroceram (1)-a miracle material that goes straight from range to freezer or vice versa without cracking-to traditional black iron (2), heavy aluminum colorfully finished (3) or polished to a shining gloss (5). And to short-cut cooking when time is

## Sauerbraten

6-pound rump of beef or rolled boned chuclo
$11 / 2$ cups red wine vinegar
$1 / 2$ cup red wine
$11 / 2$ cups water
1 bay leaf
5 peppercorns
3 whole cloves
2 tablespoons salt
2 onions, sliced
4 tablespoons shortening or oil
5 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon sugar
3/4 cup crushed gingersnaps
It is best to have the meat in one solid piece, but if it is boned and rolled, make sure it has no added covering of suet. Combine the vinegar, wine, water and seasonings, pour this mixture over the meat. Add the sliced onions. Keep meat in the refrigerator, covered with the marinade, for 1-3 days, turning occasionally. (Purists say it should be 3 days; I find 1 day sufficient.) Remove meat from marinade, wipe dry with paper towels and brown in the shortening over high heat, sprinkling with 1 tablespoon flour. Strain and add marinade, cover, lower heat and cook gently 4-5 hours, until fork-tender. Remove meat and keep in warm place. Pour off the stock. In the same kettle, melt the butter, add the remaining flour and the sugar, stirring until smooth and browned. Slowly add the stock, cooking until smooth and thickened. Add the crushed gingersnaps, and cook until dissolved. Replace meat in the sauce and cook $1 / 2$ hour longer. Meanwhile, cook noodles to serve with the sauerbraten. Makes $12-15$ servings. This dish tastes better the second day.

## Swiss Steak

$1 / 2$ cup flour
2 teaspoons salt
$1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper
3 pounds bottom round of beef, cut $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ thick in one piece
2 tablespoons bacon fat
1 large onion, sliced
2 cups boiling water
1 beej bouillon cube
$1 / 4$ cup minced parsley
1 sprig celery leaves, minced
Pinch of powdered cloves
$11 / 3$ cups ( 10 -ounce can) puréed tomatoes
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
2 tablespoons chili sauce
2 or 3 carrots, cubed, or 1 pound green beans, cut 4 potatoes, peeled and quartered

Blend the flour, salt and pepper, and pound into the meat on all sides with the edge of a plate. Brown quickly in hot fat in a skillet. Transfer to a large heavy pot or top-of-stove casserole. Add the onion to the fat and cook until soft. Transfer to the pot. Add the boiling water, bouillon cube, parsley, celery and cloves. Combine the puréed tomatoes, mustard and chili sauce, blending well. Add to the pot. Cover tightly and cook over low heat 2 hours or until meat is tender. Uncover, add carrots or beans and potatoes, cover again and cook $1 / 2$ hour longer. Remove meat and vegetables to a platter. Thicken sauce if desired with a paste of 2 tablespoons flour mixed with some of the sauce from the pot. Cook 5 or 10 minutes after adding paste to pot. Serves 6-8. This freezes well, but the meat should be sliced before freezing for easier reheating.

## Catalan Pot Roast

$1 / 4$ teaspoon marjoram<br>1 tablespoon minced parsley<br>2 teaspoons salt<br>1 clove garlic, minced<br>1 teaspoon cinnamon<br>$1 / 4$ teaspoon powdered cloves<br>4 tablespoons olive oil<br>4.5 pound rump of beef<br>1 green pepper, minced<br>2 onions, chopped<br>2 cups canned tomatoes<br>1 cup red wine or orange juice<br>2 tablespoons vinegar, or 1 tablespoon lemon juice

With a mortar and pestle, make a paste of the herbs, salt, garlic and spices. Beat in 2 tablespoons of olive oil. Rub this into the meat on all sides and let stand at room temperature 1 hour. Heat the remaining olive oil in a kettle or pot, add the meat and brown on all sides. Add the green pepper and onions and cook about 5 min utes. Add the tomatoes, wine or orange juice and vinegar or lemon juice. Cover tightly and cook over lowest heat 3 or 4 hours. Remove meat and thicken sauce if desired with a teaspoon of cornstarch. Serve with boiled or mashed potatoes. Makes 8-10 servings of meat.

## New England Boiled Dinner

5 pounds corned brisket of beef
6 peppercorns
Cold water to cover
$1 / 2$ pound salt pork
3 parsnips, cubed
6 carrots, scraped and cubed
2 cups cubed rutabaga, or 6 small white turnips, peeled
8 small white onions, peeled
6 medium potatoes, quartered
4-6 wedges green cabbage
Chopped parsley
Melted butter
Place the corned beef in a kettle, add the peppercorns and cold water, cover, bring to a boil and simmer 4-5 hours or until the meat is tender, skimming occasionally. Remove meat and keep in warm place. Add the salt pork (in one piece), parsnips, carrots, rutabaga or turnips, onions and potatoes. Cook 30 minutes. Add cabbage wedges during the last 10 or 15 minutes and cook just until tender. Place the meat on platter and surround with the vegetables. Blend parsley with melted butter and spoon over vegetables. Discard salt pork, but save stock for a pot-au-feu or other stew. Serves 8-10.

## For all-in-one meals, the all-in-one tray

A new version of the versatile Hotray links heating units and wood boards in a 36 -inch-long warm-ing-and-serving surface. Interlocking Hotrays, powered by electric cord on the starter unit, combine with a wood bread or cheese board and a carving board. A flick of the fingers adds or subtracts any of the parts.

## Corned Beef and Cabbage

5 pounds corned brisket of beef
6 peppercorns, or packaged pickling spices
3 carrots, peeled and quartered
3 onions, peeled and quartered
1 medium-sized green cabbage, quartered or cut in wedges
Melted butter (about 4 tablespoons)
Place the corned beef in water to cover with the peppercorns or mixed pickling spices (in supermarkets, these often come packaged with the corned beef). Cover the pot or kettle, bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer 5 hours or until tender, skimming occasionally. During the last hour, add the carrots and onions and cover again. During the last 15 minutes, add the cabbage. Transfer meat and vegetables to a platter and brush the vegetables with the melted butter. Serve with boiled parsley potatoes, cooked separately. (The stock can be saved to add to a pot roast or stew instead of other liquid.) Serves 6 , with meat left over for additional meals.

## Creole Beef à la Mode

$1 / 4$ pound salt pork or beef suet
1 yellow onion, minced
$1 / 4$ teaspoon thyme
$1 / 8$ teaspoon powdered cloves
1 or 2 cloves garlic, minced
5 pounds rump or bottom round of beef
10 small white onions, peeled
2 turnips, diced
3 carrots, diced
2 beef bouillon cubes
$11 / 2$ cups warm water
1/2 cup Madeira
Salt and pepper to taste
1 tablespoon cornstarch
Cut part of the salt pork or suet into thin strips and roll them in the minced onion, powdered thyme, cloves and minced garlic. Insert the strips of salt pork through the meat with a larding needle, or using a thin-bladed sharp knife, cut deep slashes in the meat and insert the salt pork or suet deep into the meat by pressing into the slashes. Melt the remaining pork or suet in a large heavy pot and brown the meat on one side, then turn on the other side, cover the pot and let the meat cook over moderate heat 20 minutes. Turn again. Place the vegetables over the top of the meat. Dissolve the bouillon cubes in the water and add to the pot with the Madeira. Cover tightly and cook over lowest heat 4 hours or until meat is fork-tender. Taste for seasoning. (Potatoes may be added during last half hour, if desired.) Remove meat and vegetables to a platter. Thicken sauce with cornstarch and cook until clear and smooth. Serve the meat surrounded by vegetables, the sauce separately. Serves 8-10.

## Sauerkraut Dishes

## Choucroute Alsatian

3 pounds sauerkraut
$1 / 2$ teaspoon caraway seeds
12 peppercorns, or $1 / 4$ teaspoon coarsely cracked pepper
2 carrots, scraped and cubed
1 pound smoked pork butt (boneless), trimmed and thickly sliced
4-6 pork shoulder chops, bone removed
1 cup Rhine or Alsatian wine
1 teaspoon salt, or to taste
1/2 pound knackwurst
Combine the sauerkraut, caraway seeds, peppercorns or cracked pepper and carrots. Place in the bottom of a large kettle. Arrange the pork butt slices and the shoulder chops over the top of the sauerkraut. Add the wine and salt, cover tightly and cook over very low heat 2-3 hours. This dish tastes best if cooked a day ahead, as it should be prepared at least 6 hours before serving time and allowed to stand. Reheat, adding knackwurst, approximately 20 minutes before serving. Serve with boiled or mashed potatoes. Serves 8.

## Szekelys Gulyas

1 tablespoon shortening or bacon fat
2 pounds lean pork, cubed
2 cloves garlic, minced
$1 / 4$ cup onion, chopped
1 tablespoon paprika
$3 / 4$ teaspoon salt, or to taste
1 $1 / 2$ pounds sauerkraut
1 cup canned tomatoes
$1 / 2$ cup sour cream
Melt the fat in a heavy pot or kettle and lightly brown the pork. Add the garlic and onion and cook until yellowed. Add the paprika and salt and cook 1 minute longer. Add the sauerkraut and canned tomatoes. Cover and simmer gently at least 2 hours. Add the sour cream just before serving. Serves 6.

## Bigos

(Polish Hunter's Dish)
6 large imported dried mushrooms
2 pounds sauerkraut
$1 / 4$ pound salt pork or bacon, diced
1 medium onion, minced
2 cups diced cooked meat (beef, veal, pork, lamb, or a combination)
1 teaspoon salt, or to taste
$1 / 2$ teaspoon sugar
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1/2 cup Madeira
3 green apples, pared, cored and diced (with veal or pork only)

Cover mushrooms with water and cook until soft. Remove mushrooms, reserving liquid. Cut mushrooms into strips. Add both mushrooms and reserved liquid to sauerkraut. Render salt pork or bacon, add onion to the fat and cook until soft and lightly colored. Add this to the sauerkraut with the diced cooked meat. Place in a large pot or kettle, add seasonings and Madeira. Add apples, if veal or pork is used. Simmer 1-2 hours. This is best if made the day before and reheated; it also freezes well. Serves 6 .


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who launched those saucy little plumed hats. The place is now the Hôtel Palais, one of several luxury establishments strung out along the beach between gingerbread villas, and its angled rooms, balconies and salons are now accessible to anyone with sufficient Francs who desires to be a momentary Napoleon, Eugénie or a famous film star incognito.


At Biarritz you can vacation like royalty in erstwhile palace

The concierge at the Palais is a mine of information about the town and the neighboring hill region. Consult him about festivals, folk dances, bullfights and shopping. In Biarritz shops, the more popular wares run to Paris perfumes, bikinis and expensive jewelry, since the town rather prides itself on being a sort of Petit Paris by the sea, and a serious seeker of Basque handicraft will hold off for the lower prices of inland villages.

We enjoyed two restaurants in particular. Le Coq Hardi, at Place Ste-Eugénie, is a good place to try Ttoro (the Basque version of bouillabaisse), and one of the Jurançon wines (not to be confused with Jura wines of the East-the latter are fairly well known and travel abroad, whereas Jurançon prefers to stay home and be enjoyed properly with the unique dishes it complements). The Relais de Parme, at the airport, is more international, a favorite with Americans and British, and features an interesting filet of sole with foie gras.

Below Biarritz is the sunny little harbor playground of St-Jean-de-Luz, an understandably popular second home for writers, artists, water-skiers and sailing enthusiasts. It is an important tuna port, with annual fishing contests and an almost endless parade of festive summer events, especially on the fronton, the pelote
court that exists in every Basque town down to the tiniest village. Pelote, the ancestor of jai alai in our hemisphere, is played wearing, attached to the wrist, a curved wicker basket with which you bounce a ball against a wall with terrifying force.

Sample the seafood specialties in the Petit Grill Basque on Rue St-Jacques, visit the church where Louis XIV was married and where the exit door was sealed after the wedding, spend the night in the gracefully arched and trellised Hôtel Chantaco, famous for its warm, informal beauty and the celebrities and intellectual leaders who have met on its terraces (Ernest Hemingway slept here), and prepare to make a morning start for the interior.

## The Basque villages

The Basque is laconic and inclined to sign language (considering his spoken language, who could blame him?). He pretends to be stern and uncompromising, yet protects his cattle from the sun with blonde rope wigs antedating Elizabeth Arden, shelters his house from the wind by facing it east and builds haystacks in pairs to offset loneliness. He also erupts from his taciturnity in gaily costumed dances, donning a crimson sash and knee-breeches, beating on an inflated goatskin, playing castanets, a modified snare drum and a sort of clarinet, and spouting improvised verses in the best tradition of modern Method acting. He is, in short, a genial fraud, as you will discover when you easily win his friendship.

Every Basque village has its special charm. In Salies-de-Béarn, high-peaked old houses lean out over the Saleys River toward the new town on the other side with its new hotels and baths. Cambo-les-Bains is a starting point for the spooky grottoes of Oxocelhaya. St-Etienne-de-Baigorry has a busy schedule of folk song and dance programs and a small, square, comfortable hotel with a tree-shaded terrace. Our own favorite for all-round shopping, strolling, relaxing and losing oneself among smiling, if relatively uncommunicative, Basques is little St-Jean-Pied-de-Port. The ebullient turmoil of Market Day is such that De Gaulle himself would have to compete for attention in the Place du Marché if he elected to arrive and bargain for boots, berets, kitchen utensils, smocks,
garlic, calves or even constituents.
St-Jean-Pied-de-Port's attractive shops are open evenings and offer chistera or pelote "bats" in all sizes, goatskin wine gourdsthe type that local contestants use to match their swallowing skill with all challengers-and ropesoled espadrilles, the characteristic Basque cloth sandals. When buying these, never go by the size printed on the shoe; they are handmade and should be tried on ad infinitum to avoid arriving home with sandals too big or a pair unmatched by at least an inch. Fit them tightly; they stretch like moccasins. Carved canes (makhila) cut from living branches of medlar wood are often richly ornamented and leather trimmed.

Copper and brass ware gleam everywhere, wine cradles made from pelote bats compete with such conventional souvenirs as ashtrays. Food bargains include candy made from Izarra liqueur and the very special peppers grown for the Piperade, an omelet of exceptional piquancy. (We found that most restaurants in the area are generous with their recipes, so we collected them to enrich our cook book at home or to provide gifts for gourmet friends.) Basque laces are much in demand, and so are linens, mostly in the form of place settings. The woven patterns of the latter are very busy, somewhat reminiscent of Navaho blankets, but the material is tough and will last for many informal suppers.

There are four hotels in St-Jean-Pied-de-Port, but the Central, on the Place du Marché, has the advantage of hanging over the little waterfall of the River Nive and possessing the town's best restaurant. The wine to order is flower-scented red Irouléguy, and the specialties are Poulet Basquaise; Bayonne ham; a rich, clear broth with a dozen vegetables; Riz Basque, a peppery mold of rice; and the famous Piperade, a fluffy mixture of eggs, tomatoes, Bayonne ham and native peppers. Dessert is the habit-


Louis XIV house at St.Jean-de-Luz towers over alfresco wine sippers
forming Gateau Basque, a buttery pie-shaped crusty cake with an exotic, honeyed flavor.

Of the several possible takeoff points for a day's side trip to Spain, this town is one of the best. While St-Jean-de-Luz leads to the colorful port of San Sebastian, and Perpignan to the east opens the way to the Costa Brava and the bustling city of Barcelona, St-Jean-Pied-de-Port nestles at the foot of a breath-taking pass that soars over the mountains and unwinds in the opposite foothills toward Pamplona, a city newly aware of its novelistic fame and determined to live up to its reputation for boisterous living. On the day of a Corrida everyone wears a scarlet scarf, sash or beret, and the only way to navigate the big square is to drop all dignity and join arms with the shouting, singing, slightly tipsy dancers. Mechanical toys, dancing dolls and black bulls with banderillas dangling from their shoulders are peddled from table to table in the crowded sidewalk cafés.

At the border the road led us through Arnéguy, a tiny frontier village in which articles from both France and Spain can be had for remarkably low prices: guitars, Basque handicrafts, small tables and planters of wrought iron, costume jewelry, sword pins, chased Toledo steel swords and ornaments, candy, biscuits, traditional blue smocks and even liqueurs.

## Patrician Pau

The city of Pau has had many notable residents, far from the least of whom was the legendary Marguerite of Navarre, author of "The Heptameron" and social leader on an impressive scale. The tapestries, Renaissance furnishings and fine gardens with which she graced the Château there are still on view and readily suggest the magnificent pageantry of the days when she was the Perle Mesta of Pau. The Château was also the home of Jeanne d'Albret and the birthplace of Henri IV, whose tortoise-shell cradle is also on display.

While we found the food in Pau unpretentious, we agreed that the best restaurant is easily La Crémaillière, the dining room of the Hotel France. Polished tables, polished high-back leather chairs, a shiny copper serving table and baskets of perfect peaches and cherries are evidence of important attention to details. Service is excellent, and the cuisine is national rather than strictly regional, except for a hearty native pâté and pork-curlicued head-cheese. Try the sour red Madiran wine, and if Garbure isn't on the menu, maybe the kitchen staff can be cajoled into parting with a little of its own
ration. This is a regional dish, a thick vegetable soup whose myriad ingredients vary from village to village and kitchen to kitchen, and even from day to day.

## Land of the spas

If you stop in Lourdes, prepare to be dismayed by a first impression of blatant commercialism. Whole streets of cheap and ostentatious concessions add up to one vast souvenir shop, somehow more suited to the carnival atmosphere of Pamplona than to one of the world's most famous shrines. Statuettes, crucifixes, scarves and even plastic flasks for collecting water from the grotto are at least understandable, but somehow peppermints imprinted with the image of the Virgin seem to carry things a shade too far. Nevertheless, none but the totally impervious can fail to be moved by displays of faith on every side, in spite of the machine-like precision and assembly-line techniques apparently needed to handle the huge crowds of worshippers, invalids and the inevitable curious gapers. Saint Bernadette might be a little nonplussed to find that her immortal spring now flows through a row of push-button brass faucets.

Services, masses and pilgrimages begin early in the morning and extend late into the purple Pyrenean night, when the valley echoes with the music of huge choirs, floodlights make a ghostly toy fortress of the Château on the hill, and during the Grands Pèlerinages of August, torches wind slowly over the little bridge and throng before the Basilica. For an impressive view of the town, curving river, lowering mountains and solemn processions, reserve in advance at the Hôtel Béthanie, specifying a front room.

Two routes are possible from Lourdes to Foix. One leads over easy roads through Tarbes, the birthplace of Marshal Foch, whose home is now a museum devoted to mementos of his life and career. The other is the more mountainous and exciting way, with a spur road to the fabulous Cirque de Gavarnie, a two-milewide natural amphitheatre with a continuous performance of snowfed cascades from its sheer cliffs. Then proceed to Luchon, the Queen of the Pyrenees. While not quite the equal of such loftily aristocratic spas as Vichy, Evian and Aix-les-Bains, Luchon is the most fashionable place in this part of the country to have a social sore throat or an upper class respiratory infection. Four cure establishments furnish treatments for an interminable list of genteel frailties, and the casino offers relief for a heavy pocketbook.


Half-timber and whitewashed stucco Basque houses line street of Pyrenees village, their gabled roofs-all in a row-mimicking the surrounding skyline

Unlimber the camera at Foix, whose old Château rises dramatically from the great rock in the middle of town, its protective towers looking down on the tiled roofs like the Three Wise Men. Inside the Château is the Musée de l'Ariège, with a collection of wide scope, embracing prehistoric, medieval and modern times. A good place to try the vins du pays, which will rarely be found elsewhere, is the Hôtel Barbacane, which also produces its own version of Cassoulet, a lavish and hearty specialty of nearby Toulouse, made with ritualistic fervor from white beans, goose and goose fat, mutton or pork and spicy sausage. The time required to prepare it properly would discourage most American cooks, but the recipe is worth requesting for trying out on a long winter day.

## Eastern Pyrenees cities

Prades, of course, is a magic name for music lovers. The Festival itself is reason enough for a stopover, but Prades, like its Italian sister, Spoleto, quietly offers its guests opportunities to discover many other attractions. There is an eleventh-century cloister, St-Michel-de-Cuxa, and be-tween-music diversions now range


Basque wears bizarre hobbyhorse and lace costume of ancient pageant
from expositions of Catalan art to lessons in Judo, and from strolls past cherry orchards to the boneshattering climb to the top of Le Canigou. In the shops we found an abundance of jewelry and ceramics with designs markedly influenced by Spain.

Now the peaks drop away to a verdant region, an endless garden of rose-clad walls, eucalyptus, mimosa, semitropical flowers, olives, early fruit and the grapes that go into Roussillon wines. At this point you could consider a Pyrenees journey complete, but two cities deserve attention. Perpignan, the gateway to the Spanish Costa Brava, is a fine source of costume dolls and gay linens, to say nothing of excellent garnets. The thirteenth-century palace of the Kings of Majorca is the setting for Spectacles de Son et Lumière (Spectacles of Sound and Light) during the entire summer, and the eerie Procession of the Black Penitents through the town on Maundy Thursday is one of the region's most exceptional sights. The Cathedral of St -Jean spans several centuries, and the works of native artists are on display in the Musée Roussillon (if not open, special appointments can be made) and in the Musée Rigaud.

The history of Carcassonne, the most complete of medieval fortified cities, would fill volumes. Under Dame Carcas it withstood Charlemagne, and its preservation today owes much to the efforts of Prosper Mérimée. Twenty centuries of turbulent history are enclosed by its multiple walls, and a walk through the gloomy battlements inspires a thoughtful contrast between the savagery of ancient sieges and the more refined barbarism of the 1960 's. Tours of this great fortress are possible, details available at Château Comtal.

One of the most fantastic lo-
cations of any hotel in Europe is that of the Hôtel de la Cité, perched on the ramparts of Carcassonne and offering, in its gardens and restaurants, even more than a unique situation. The dining room is soft blue, wood-paneled, with leaded windows and an array of ornate crests. Order the wines of Corbières, the excellent pâté de foie gras and still another rendition of Cassoulet. Then go out on the battlements again, just to make sure that what was seen before wasn't a fairy-tale mirage.

Until recent years, anyone could be forgiven for gathering from casual cocktail conversation that France consists of Paris and the Riviera, connected by a string of soufflés and champagne bottles. We wish to fault neither soufflés nor champagne, but we strongly suggest that the traveler who fancies himself jaded might consider a trip through the Pyrenees, the so-called "unexplored" section.

The pelote bats you bring home will make a fine wall decoration for a den, or a boy's or tomboy's bedroom. You can use them for Bon Voyage or gift baskets, hanging planters for ivy and philodendron, breadbaskets or fruitfilled centerpieces. Some Americans even use them for playing pelote, but seldom more than once. Goatskin wine gourds can keep a party of 13 -year-olds occupied for an hour, but be sure to hold the party outdoors-directing that stream of soda pop from the nozzle toward an open mouth is considerably more difficult than it looks when a Basque does it. Medlar wood canes, if kept from the family poodle long enough to preserve the leather thong, are the obvious gift for an elderly relative or hiking enthusiast.

The blue Basque smocks are ideal for Sunday painters, smallfry and pregnant ladies. Bullfight posters and recorded folk music are a perfect accompaniment for an informal party. Izarra liqueur served after dinner will evoke pleasant memories. And that recipe for Piperade will come in handy for brunch or weekend guests. Above all, don't overlook the most frequently neglected idea for original decoration of casual rooms-enlargements of your best color shots of St-Jean-Pied-dePort, Foix, Carcassonne, Prades and the Cirque de Gavarnie.

If all else fails to make an impression, try your Basque dialect on the neighbors. " $B a$ " means "Yes," "Ez" means "No," and mastery of the folk dance cry, "Irrinzina!" will either get the cat back in the house or frighten him away forever.
For pamphlcts on travel in the Pyrenees, please write to H\&G's Reader Service, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.

## Shopping information

All prices approximate, Federal Tax included
*Through Decorators

Cover:
Sylvania slim-line TV.
Bogan-Presto turntable, $\$ 59.95$. Both from Grand Central Radio, 124 E. 44th St., New York, N. Y.
Fabric on wall and benches: "Majorca" $48^{\prime \prime}$ w., cotton, $\$ 2.99 \mathrm{yd}$. Charles Bloom. Can be laminated to urethane foam through decorator and decorating departments at 50 c yd. extra.
Vinyl tile, $1 / s^{\prime \prime}$ gauge, 85 c sq. ft., Amtico.
Bedspread and floor pad: imported sailcloth, $50^{\prime \prime}$ w., Erbun.*
Urethane foam mattress, Englander. Korean painted paper and wood boxes, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 12$ ea. Textiles \& Objects, 8 E. 53rd St., New York, N. Y. Ball light wall fixtures, $8^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $10^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $12^{\prime \prime}$ diam., Habitat.*
Swedish coffeepot, $\$ 2.75$; sugar bowl and creamer, $\$ 1.75$. Bonnier, 605 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
Oil painting, "Grass" by Philip Held, Camino Gallery, 89 E. 10th St., New York, N. Y.
Other accessories privately owned.

## Tranquillity, Page 64:

Sofas: Chestnut Hill collection, upholstered in bronze wool fabric. $7^{\prime} 2^{\prime \prime}$ 1., $2^{\prime}$ h., $\$ 823.50$ ea.

Cushions custom-made to order.
Cocktail table, rosewood and glass, Nordia collection. $31^{\prime \prime}$ w., $21^{\prime \prime}$ d., $13^{\prime \prime}$ h., \$149.

Rug: "Flokati" Greek import, 13 ' x $14^{\prime}, \$ 530$.
Hanging hutch, Nordia collection, rosewood, $25^{\prime \prime}$ w., $12^{\prime \prime}$ d., $44^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 189$. Iron settee, Mare Nostrum group, $42^{\prime \prime}$ 1., $18^{\prime \prime}$ d., $32^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 125$. Iron and glass table, $30^{\prime \prime}$ w., $41^{\prime \prime}$ d., $281 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 125$. Hanging cabinets, rosewood with glass sliding doors, $59^{\prime \prime}$ w., $13^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{d}$., $16^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 195$ ea.
Bookshelves, custom-made, $\$ 1$ an inch. Candlestick lamp, brass trim, 25" h., black tôle shade, $\$ 95$. Brass lamp 40" h., \$105.

Other accessories privately owned. Everything from Bloomingdale's, New York, N. Y.

## Page 66:

"Color Magic" carpet, Acrilan acrylic, $\$ 9.95$ sq. yd. Magee. Boomerang-shaped table-desk, rosewood with black trim. Stands on single base of cast aluminum and turns to several positions. Contourshaped leather armchairs on castaluminum base. Kagan-Dreyfuss, Inc.*
Sight and sound center and kitchen appliances, General Electric. Vertical blinds woven with carpet yarns. Lozano-Fisher.*
Acoustic ceiling, Johns-Manville.
Light fixtures, Lightolier.
Dimmers, Superior Electric.
Royal McBee typewriter.
Abstract painting, Graham Galleries, 1014 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

Page 67:
Sofa upholstered in a textured Haitian fabric, \$916.

Roman shades: terra-cotta strie, $\$ 7.15 \mathrm{yd}$.
Cocktail table, rosewood, $26^{\prime \prime} \times 46^{\prime \prime}$ x $16^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 225$.
Bench, leather and iron, from Spain, $\$ 129$.
Rug: Italian, $6^{\prime} \times 9^{\prime}, \$ 249$.
Bronze lamp, \$295. pr.
Other accessories privately owned. Furnishings from Bloomingdale's, New York, N. Y.

Page 68:
Flooring, wallcovering, window shade and upholstery by U. S. Rubber.
Floor covering: "Royal Vinyl" carpet in field white with stripes of apricot and beige.
Wall behind dressers covered in "Glazed Antique" Naugahyde, bamboo color. One-inch stripes of "Chromata," in mocha, separate panels.
Remaining walls covered in "Chromata" in H\&G's Citron. Hypalon window shade custom printed on white Fiberthin coated fabric. Pull, $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ pole covered in "Chromata."
Bedspreads of "Doe-Vin."
Bolsters made of "Citadel."
Chair pillows, "Cosmopolitan."
Table top, desk chairs and shelves covered in "Chromata."
"Royal Vinyl" carpet used on walls behind beds as bulletin boards. Ceiling covered in beige Fiberthin coated fabric.
Game table, $42^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $26^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 120$. Metal side chairs with mesh backs, $28^{\prime \prime}$ back, $17^{\prime \prime}$ w., $21^{\prime \prime}$ d., $13^{1 / 2 \prime \prime}$ seat height, $\$ 45$ ea. Brown-Jordan.
Drop-leaf table desks with brushed aluminum legs, natural walnut apron and stretcher. Custom-made antique white Formica top. $30^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 140$ ea, Sharmal of Miami.
Swivel desk chairs, $17^{\prime \prime}$ w., $15^{\prime \prime}$ d., $30^{\prime \prime}$ h., Lehigh Furniture.*
Double dressers in "Intaglio" natural walnut, $54^{\prime \prime}$ w., $18^{\prime \prime}$ d., $30^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 180$ ea. Chest (by beds) "Intaglio" natural walnut, $54^{\prime \prime}$ w., $15^{\prime \prime}$ deep, $21^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 160$. Smaller chest, $36^{\prime \prime}$ w., $15^{\prime \prime}$ d., $21^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 120$. All from Foster-McDavid. Mosaic picture from Karl Mann.*

Country Kitchen, Pages 84 \& 85:
"Regency" muted cherry wood cabinets with synthetic Urea Alkyd finish. Yorktowne Kitchens. Formica countertops and backsplash.
Gas range, built-in gas oven, NoFrost refrigerator-freezer and builtin dishwasher, Whirlpool.
Emerson-Pryne "Modern" retractable hood with copper front panel. Majestic gas built-in Char-Grill, steel frame and cast-iron grate.
Custom-made metal hood, over grille, painted HzG's Black Pearl.
"Instant-Hot" water dispenser with gooseneck faucet. National Rubber Machinery.
Drop-leaf table, birch, open: $42^{\prime \prime}$ diam. Has two $12^{\prime \prime}$ fillers, $\$ 115$; armchairs, FisG's Bronze Green, $321 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ h., $22^{1 / 2 \prime \prime}$ w., $\$ 36$ ea. Conant Ball.

Linen tablecloth, $70^{\prime \prime}$ diam., Hs G's Espresso, \$10; matching napkins, 60 c ea., Fallani \& Cohn.

Dinnerware, glass compote, brass candlesticks, pottery pitcher, covered bean pot, salad bowl and servers, all from Paul L. Ettline Antiques, R.F.D. 9, York, Pa. Glasses by Imperial. Porcelain figurines from Germany, copies of Dresden, "Napoleon and His Generals," single, $\$ 15$, mounted, \$45. Yorktowne Gift Shop, Yorktowne Hotel, York, Pa.
Pot holder, Linens by Vera.
Black and white hound's-tooth check window shade custom printed by Howard \& Schaffer on invisible vinyl impregnated shade cloth. Holland Shade Co., 999 Third Ave., New York, N. Y.
Self-Lox rubber tile flooring, $9^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}$, 50 c sq. ft. (approx.), Crown Rubber Company.
"Biscay" cotton area rug, $4^{\prime} 4^{\prime \prime} \times 7^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$, \$49.95. Cabin Crafts.
"Circlgrid" ceiling, non-combustible light-diffusing vinyl. DiffusaLite, Conshohocken, Pa.

Page 86:
Elkay corner cuisine center with two stainless steel bowls. Tiara style faucet.
Weighladle, aluminum balance scale; weighs up to 200 grams or 7 oz, $\$ 6.50$. Wooden spoon, 60c. Both Bazar Francais, 666 Sixth Ave., New York, N. Y. Revere Ware covered pot with copper bottom.
Wear-Ever cookie sheets.
Mason canning jars.
Page 87, top to bottom:
Curtains: black and white hound's. tooth check custom printed on white glazed chintz, $48^{\prime \prime}$ w., Howard \& Schaffer.*
Automatic washer; four-cycle gas dryer. Whirlpool.
"Scholastic" portable typewriter with simulated leather carrying case. $\$ 49.95$. Singer.
"Thermomagic" 35 portable thermoelectric refrigerator, Whirlpool.
Sewing box, white pine hand-painted with Hungarian design. $\$ 75$. Von Miklos, RFD 1, Pound Ridge, N. Y. Sunbeam iron.
Cleaning closet designed by HsG.

## Top, right:

Built-in FM radio and intercom system. Emerson-Pyrne.
Oval stainless steel sink with gooseneck faucet. Elkay.
Pottery pitcher, Paul L. Ettline Antiques.
Featherweight sewing machine. Twotone simulated leather case holds attachments, \$132.50. Singer.

## Bottom, right:

VACU-FLO with triple service: fire alarm, burglar alarm and vacuum cleaning inlet. H-P Products.

## Crewel Work, Page 97:

All embroidery materials and frames from Erica Wilson, Box 148, Gracie Station, New York, N. Y.
Rocker, oil walnut finish, $33^{\prime \prime}$ w., $41^{\prime \prime}$ d., $32^{\prime \prime}$ h., Kagan-Dreyfuss.*

Reading in Repose, Page 100:
Teen-age bedroom designed by Blair Catterton for B. Altman \& Co.
"Fleurette" sheets and pillowcase, traditional floral design with 18 " floral turnback on top sheet and allover printed fitted bottom sheet. Single (top and fitted), \$3.50 ea.;
double (top and fitted), $\$ 4.50$ ea.; pillowcase, $\$ 1.10$ ea.
"Mark III" Acrilan blanket, nylon binding, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 15$. By Pepperell. Alcove bed with bookshelves, walnut, $105^{\prime \prime}$ w., $17^{1 / 2^{\prime \prime}}$ d., $84^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 825$.
End table with cabriole legs and 1 drawer, $25^{1 / 22^{\prime \prime}}$ diam., $22^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 130$.
Walnut armchair, in muslin, $\$ 125$. All furniture from "Milling Road" collection by Grand Rapids Chair. Dust ruffle, chair seat and pillow covered in: Scottish tartan, Erskine Clan, 54" w., wool. Arthur Lee.*
Rya rug of flax, Swedish import, $8^{\prime} 3^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}, \$ 369$.
Antique apothecary jars, $\$ 39$ ea.
Original etchings in black frames, small, $\$ 55$; large, $\$ 70$.
Spanish, gold treasure chest, $\$ 25$.
Clock-radio, \$21.95, Magnavox.
Colonial lamp, black metal shade, dark distressed wood base, smoky bronze fittings. $24^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 95$.
Yellow striped flowerpot, Italian, \$6.50.
All at B. Altman \& Co., New York, N. Y.

Page 101, top left:
Combspun percale sheets and pillowcases in "Raspberry-Ice," single, flat and fitted, $\$ 3.59$ ea.; double, flat and fitted, $\$ 3.98$ ea.; pillowcases, $42^{\prime \prime} \times$ $38^{\prime \prime}, 98 \mathrm{c}$ ea.
"Norseman" blanket in "Orange-Ice," rayon and Acrilan, nylon binding, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 6.98 ; 80^{\prime \prime} \times 90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 7.98$. Bedding by Cannon.
Upholstered walnut framed headboard. Two upholstered arms (one at either end) drop down for armrest. $75^{\prime \prime}$ w., $37^{\prime \prime}$ h., with customer's own fabric ( $11 / 2$ yds.), $\$ 509$.
Walnut hanging wall cabinet, tambour doors, 3 center drawers, $48^{\prime \prime}$ w., $141 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ d., $14^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 457$.
Walnut hanging magazine rack, 48" w., $141 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 100$.

Walnut bedside table, splayed legs, 1 shelf, $201 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $26^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 209$.
Furniture by Dunbar.
Deluxe Bedtray, lacquered wood, $28^{\prime \prime}$ l., $15 \frac{1}{2}$ " w., $\$ 21.95$. Norman Dine Sleep Center, 9 E. 54th St., New York, N. Y.
Secticon clock, $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ diam., ivory case, electronic movement, \$65.45. I. Magnin, Union Square, San Francisco, Calif.
Wood perfume chest, bamboo motif, holds crystal bottles of French perfumes. Doris Dessauer.*
Yellow linen pillow, lace-like embroidered front, one of a kind.
Octagon pillow, Nettle Creek.*
Other accessories privately owned.

## Bottom, left:

"Contessa Rose" sheets and pillowcases, Single, $\$ 3.98$ ea.; double, $\$ 4.98$ ea., both flat and fitted; pillowcases, $42^{\prime \prime} \times 381 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 1.29$ ea.; Dan River. "Beautynap" Orlon blanket, nylon binding, single, $\$ 10.95$; double, $\$ 13.95$. Chatham.
Wedge-shaped pillow, "Lustercolor" group, cotton sateen, $13^{\prime \prime}$ h., $16^{\prime \prime} 1$., $8^{\prime \prime}$ w. Nettle Creek. ${ }^{\text {* }}$
Oiled walnut headboard, $63^{\prime \prime}$ w., $42^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 116$.

Oiled walnut cabinets, black Formica kick base, white Formica pullout tray, 1 shelf, door backed by magazine rack, $28^{\prime \prime}$ w., $20^{\prime \prime}$ d., $24^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 201$ ea. Glenn of California.
Portable home intercom, plugs into
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## A machine that whittles

 while it works deserves a permanent place in your personal retreat

Health and fitness certainly contribute immeasurably to both personal and family tranquillity. Yet, many of us find regular exercise difficult to maintain in our busy everyday schedules. One way to keep muscles toned (and improve your appearance in the bargain) is provided automatically by a device that stimulates the kind of muscle contraction you would achieve through active exercise. You stretch out on bed, chaise longue or sofa and let the machine do the work. The system is a boon to both men and women who spend a great deal of time seated behind a desk or the wheel of a car, and to young teenagers who still have what is commonly referred to as baby fat. The machine is also particularly good to help you recontour after dieting.

By early April, you will be able to get Relax-A-cizor in a new design that is an attractive piece of furniture, useful round-the-clock because it incorporates a good AM-FM radio, clock-alarm as well as a timer. Instead of unpacking it, like the portable version on page 103, you can station it permanently right where you use it and keep all the accessories, and even your beauty preparations, in its special storage compartments. In addition to the eight dials that regulate the standard forty exercise impulses a minute, there are two brand-new features: a ninth dial offers a surge-type of contraction that is slower and deeper; a tenth dial-light, rapid exercise impulses that are soothing, relieve tension.

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## Annuals-children of the sun

Annuals are always in a hurry-in a hurry to sprout, to grow, to flower, to bear seed and, yes, to die. To get all this work done in a single summer, as the annuals, by definition, do, takes the most favorable kind of garden conditions. Where real production is required, nothing in the garden can beat sunlight for effectiveness. Rich soil is not essential-in fact, it is usually a disadvantage. Water in the soil is required in life-sustaining amounts, but even that can be husbanded or supplied by artificial means if gardening is to be possible at all. But sunlight-that cannot be faked and cannot be manufactured (after all, it is sunlight that does most of the world's basic manufacturing in the first place). And if there is not practically a whole day full of sunlight every day, the flower output is diminished in proportion. Some flowers come early and some come late;
some are fleeting and some last for weeks; but all reach their peak when day length averages better than fourteen hours out of the twenty-four.

A garden's continuing satisfactions depend on more than a single season's flowering, but any given year can be as bright and colorful as the annuals you grow. There are a number of ways to intensify the season-long enjoyment of the quick seed-packet flowers, and of course there are a hundred good varieties of such flowers, new and old. Buying seedlings started ahead of the season by your florist is the best way to jump the gun. Planning a stable of potted replacements for short-lived ones also helps keep the blossoms coming. As for blossoms themselves-the check list opposite, including some of the best of the newest as well as a few of the old-time favorites, can fill a sunny summer with color from start to finish.


Any flower that can be brought to a peak from seed within the span of a single season qualifies as an annual. Annual dahlias, raised readily from seeds, provide tall accent in a summer border at Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

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Thumbelina, a dwarf zinnia in many sunny colors, won the All-America Selection gold medal for 1963, first such award since 1950.

Tall cleome gives third dimension, richt, to long annual border that, without thoughtful design, would be a gay jumble by midsummer.


Sunny safari from A to Z: Easy annuals that ask only room to grou
ageratum. Try Blue Mink, one of the best of the front-of-border blues; billowy mounds till late fall.

BASIL. Rediscover this oldtime herb in a plushy purpleleaved 1962 prize variety called Dark Opal.
brachycome. Use its fancy name or just Swan River Daisy for many-hued cineraria-like blooms on foot-high plants.
calendula. Use old-fashioned pot-marigold as a good filler especially where summers are cool. Stick to pure yellow.
celosia. Try 30 -inch Golden Fleece, one of the best and least melodramatic of the airy, uncrested cockscombs.
centaurea. Sow these buttonhole fillers every three or four weeks in any border gap. Blue Boy is still the best.
cleome. Plant Pink Queen, $a$ medal winner not too many years ago, the tallest, brightest spider plant. May attain 6 feet. There's a fine smaller yellow, too.
cosmos. Drift airy, feathery clouds of yellow, pink or white among the cleome spires, around big dahlias and zinnias, toward the back of the garden.
dahlia. Sow your own seeds as early as you can-Coltness or Unwin strains-or get your florist to start a big packet. These get better as summer wanes and weather cools.

DIMORPHOTHECA. Never mind the difficult name-you'll like the salmon, rose, gold, apricot colors of the 4 -inch flowers.
godetia. Let these bushy plants with many-colored bell-like blooms develop in the shade of tall ones.
impatiens. Plant these, too, in those shady places that big plants create in even the sunniest flower beds.

Larkspur. Start these early, sowing even on cold ground. White Swan and Flamingo are touted new 4-foot varieties.
marigold. Plant tall Climax yellows and short double French types, or Tangerine, a mid-border orange variety. Or you name it; just as long as you will settle for yellow or orange.
nicotiana. Don't assume you can really enjoy your garden unless you can smell it in the dark. So include this old sweet white flower. (N. affinis is the proper name it bears.)
petunia. Ignore all advice on petunias and choose the one that sounds best to you. Or if you insist, try Sugar Plum. Try the new Cascade series, too.

PHLOX DRUMMONDII. Place the annual dwarf type at the front of every summer border. Our choice: new Giant Tetra.

RICINUS. Remember that one big bold castor bean plant is worth a whole packet of seeds. It is the accent shrub among annuals.

Snapdragon. Welcome the new prize-winning Rocket strain of a year or two ago. It is best for long hot summers.
strawflower. Grow it, like all others on this list, for the fresh flowers-get dried blooms, too.

TAHOKA DAISY. Plant this, and you have the equivalent of feathery lilac blue asters, orange-eyed, all season long.
vinca rosea. Better buy the seedlings of this slow but lovely bush periwinkle, for glossy leaves, starry bloom. It looks almost like a shrub.
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Table-top talk. Most of the winter gardener's troubles stem from the twin difficulties of providing adequate light for house plants and adequate humidity for them in the surrounding air. As for the attendant problem of protecting the furniture from wet pots without resorting to unlovely saucers and improvised doiliesthat, too, can become a major source of irritation almost comparable to prevailing living room weather. Out of the family garage now comes a source of possible relief on all three counts. This is a large plastic tray (as far as we know, the only color is black) that could scarcely be better suited to table-top gardening if it had been designed for it. Actually it is being sold on automotive supply counters to keep crank-case drips from soaking into your garage floor. The tray we saw was about three hands wide and four long (say 27 by 36 inches, at a guess) with a rim a little over an inch high all the way around. It was light, appeared sturdy, was surely resistant to all liquids, and cost considerably less than $\$ 5$ from our retail source. Picture this tray on a low coffee table before a winter window, with a layer of clean pebbles supporting a pleasant array of your favorite pot plants. The pebbles, of course, could conceal as much as a gallon of water at a time, which should release a pleasant if modest amount of humidity into the air around the plants as well as help maintain a moist pot (see Third weekend) around plant roots.
Catalogue coda. We often wonder what the gardener grows one half as precious as the plants he orders. Catalogue time is here again, and while we have Omar Khayyam in mind, let us state right now that a haunch of cold chicken, a glass of milk and thou, arguing beside us in the wilderness of 1963 catalogues, is para-
dise enow. (Wow.) Once more we salute the regulars-the Waysides and the Burpees and the Vaughans -of all whom there is, of course, only one each. And we hail the specialists-Jackson \& Perkins, Conard Pyle, Armstrong, to be oversimple. And, for not listing them, we ask the forgiveness of the scores of familiar names that are on the covers stacked beside our night table.


## Second weekend

Wind trap. The gardener who designs his boundary planting to do double duty both as decorative border and windbreak may find himself some winter wishing the windbreak had a little protection of its own. For one thing, the best shelter plants for severe or windy climates are not always especially decorative from the landscape point of view. For another thing, the most decorative shrubs and trees are not always completely weather-resistant. Results of too broad a compromise are foreseeable. Add the fact that most home boundary plantings are much shallower from front to back than carefully planned windbreaks, and you have not only a vulnerable planting but a leaky one-the plants themselves are often subject to windburn or actual frost damage, and the weather scours through even small gaps to harass the garden areas within. All of which is merely to set the stage for a windbreak-windbreak. This need be no more than a strategically placed set of wind baffles, made of odd pieces of ordinary snow fencing wired to stout stakes around and among boundary shrubs. Broadleaf evergreens (box, camellias, rhododendrons, hollies and the like) may be ringed with fencing, which, if the bushes are still of modest size, will provide wind at half speed, reduce sun on lower foliage, hold mulching leaves, act as snow traps. A serpentine fence barrier across ap-
preciable gaps will reduce the force of eroding winds, trap blowing leaves in the middle border (where they may well be left in the spring) and serve some of the conventional ends of snow fence anywhere. For, of course, there is no better mulch than snow. Booknote. We hail the appearance of "The New York Times
Garden Book," edited by Joan Lee Garden Book," edited by Joan Lee Faust (Knopf, \$6.95), not because it is big (which it is) or horticulturally profound (which it is not), but because it has something succinct and useful to say about every conceivable aspect of home gardening. There is a certain amount of waste motion, as there
is bound to be in anthologies of is bound to be in anthologies of short pieces originally prepared for use in a weekly newspaper. But an enormous amount of information is there for the taking. If we have a complaint at all, it is that Miss Faust's warm and knowledgeable attitudes about plants and gardening have been confined
to the briefest kind of introductory to the briefest kind of introductory
notes to the several divisions. notes to the several divisions.


## Third weekend

Pots and pottering. In between hot and cold there is warm.
In between black In between black and white there is gray. But in between clay and
plastic there is nothing. The sub plastic there is nothing. The subject, of course, is flowerpots, and
the observant pot gardener's amthe observant pot gardener's ambivalence in the matter knows no
bounds. On grounds of appearbounds. On grounds of appear-
ance, the good old-fashioned red ance, the good eld-fashioned red
clay pot has no equal. For the general run of plants in house or greenhouse, where the welfare of the plants is the only considera-tion-not labor or fragility or cost or weight-clay is out alone in front. For certain kinds of plants, especially those requiring a rather, heavy, continually moist soil (or else a very dry one), the impervious plastic may be preferable. In point of weight, bulk and reduction of the physical chore of watering, plastic also leads. But in point of appearance, plastic is nowhere,
in at least one judgment. The more you work with both kinds of pots, the more the decision as to which is best comes down to an estimate of the part a pot's porosity plays in plant welfare. Leave all other considerations aside (unless you are either a complete sentimentalist or a
hard-pressed labor-saver) and form your judgment on the basis of whether the "breathability of clay pots is essential.

Incidentally, plastic pots can be given porosity, in effect, by making holes in the sides. This is easily done with an ordinary soldering gun of the hobby-shop type. It's like poking holes in butterexcept that the smell of melting plastic leaves a good deal to be de-
sired olfactorily. Holes are easily sired olfactorily. Holes are easily made in rims, too, for hanging-
plant use.


## Fourth weekend

 Semispecialization. One trouble with specialization in gardening is that the specializer is often led into the by-paths never to return at all to the main highway of gardening. This may be the case whether you become preoccupied with one of the enormous plantgroups (rhododendrons groups (rhododendrons and lil-
ies-to name two ies-to name two that differ widely within themselves) or with one of the groups that, while large, are given interest chiefly by subtler variations (dahlias, chrysanthemums, African-violets, to name three others). There are fields of semispecialization, however, that will require less than total devotion and yet return surprisingly satisfying rewards. Outdoors, we cite hostas and epimediums-but this is no time to talk outdoors.

For the house, we mention, as an outstanding example of what we have in mind, a window garden devoted entirely to figs, the genus ficus. These include not only a number of indoor forms, bushy or trailing, that are commonly referred to as figs, but also the large and handsome species that include many forms of rubber plant. Creeping fig, and its variegated forms; fiddle fig, in a number of related leaf types, and of course, Ficus elastica, the rubber plant itself, of which decora and doescheri are but two outstanding varie-ties-these are the basis of a window collection that will fill your winter months with pleasure, last well from year to year. The range of plant size, growth habit, leaf color and texture is enormous. None should normally be cultivated with any hope of floral effectiveness. But all are easy to grow and use decoratively as pot plants-in sizes scarcely bigger than a man's hand to sizes several times bigger than any breadbox.

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## GARDENING IN THE SHADE

## (and 28 good plants to grow in it)

- Most blossoms face and follow the sun itself, even in full sunlight. - All plants produce more and better flowers in sunlight than they do in shade. Those that appear to grow better in shade do so on an over-all basis, not on the basis of flower production.
- Very few plants will produce good flowers in total cast shadow -as, for example, the north side of a house. Some hostas and moun-tain-laurel are about the best of the ornamental flowers (as opposed to just anatomically adequate flowers) for extreme shade. Many foliage plants do well in shadow.
- All plant growth becomes attenuated, often appears more rapid in shade. Actually, growth is less well balanced in shade than in sun. A leggy plant has no more cells than a normal plant-merely bigger and softer (this is pretty unscientific, but never mind). And a leggy plant is likely to be less ripe, more vulnerable, at summer's end. - Subtle colors are best appreciated in light shade or on a hazy
day. Full and strong sun creates deep contrast, destroys color balance. This is important for photographers to remember.
- Plants receiving less than full sunlight make less than optimum growth and therefore need and tolerate less water and fertilizer. By the same token, drainage in shaded soils is often more important than in sunny ones.
- The deeper the shade, the more important it is that you choose plants for other than floral effects. - Many broadleaf evergreens that do well in shade may suffer winter leaf burn in strong winter sun. They need shade, in other words. Typical: camellia, some hollies, rhododendron, pieris.
- Plants that receive a little sun mixed with considerable shade from one direction and open but sunless sky-shine from the other will usually favor the skyshine. - Shade gardening is a fine and rewarding pastime in itself. Anybody can grow flowers in the sun (see pages 130 and 131).
trees to grow in tree shade
*Striped Maple (Acer pensylvanicum) -big leaves; 25 feet. Redbud (Cercis canadensis) - spring flowers; 25 feet.
Dogwood (Cornus florida) - white flower; red fall foliage and fruit; winter grace; 20 feet or more.
Holly (ilex species, American, Chinese and English)-red berries, glossy leaves; evergreen; to 30 feet or so.


## Shrubs to plant under trees

Shadblow (amelanchier species) -white spring flowers; 20 feet. Glossy abelia (A. grandiflora) - white florets all summer; 5 feet.
*Camellia hybrids-varied flowers, evergreen glossy leaves; to 15 feet. Summer-sweet (Clethra alnifolia)-fragrant white or pink summer bloom; yellow fall foliage; 8 feet.
Chokeberry (Aronia arbutifolia) - white florets; red fall fruit; 10 feet. *Mountain-laurel (Kalmia latifolia)-pink bloom; evergreen; 8 feet. Leucothoe (L. editorum) -drooping early flower; evergreen; 5 feet. Andromeda (Pieris japonica) -early white bloom; evergreen; 8 feet. Rhododendron (native species and hybrids)-pink, white, lavender flowers; evergreens; 6 to 25 feet.
Viburnum (especially species dentatum, lentago, prunifolium, sieboldii) -white flowers; red or black fruits; 10 to 25 feet.
groundcovers under trees and shrubs
Bugleweed (ajuga species) -quick, matforming; green to purple. Goutweed (Aegopodium podragaria) -leafy, airy; 10 inches. *English ivy (hedera species) - Baltic strain hardiest; evergreen. *Pachysandra ( $P$. terminalis) -spring flowers; evergreen; 12 inches. *Sarcococca (S. hookeriana humilis)-evergreen; 15 inches. *Running myrtle (Vinca minor)-blue florets; evergreen; 10 inches.
herbaceous flowering plants
Astilbe (in variety) -plumy white to pink flowers; 10 to 30 inches. Bleeding-heart (Dicentra eximia) -white to pink flowers; 12 inches. *Epimedium (several species) -airy spring flowers; 6 to 10 inches. Day-lily (Hemerocallis thunbergii hybrids)-yellow trumpets; 3 feet. *Plaintain-lily (hosta species)-bold leaves, white to blue flowers; from 10 -inch clumps to 3 -foot mounds.
*Patience plant (Impatiens holstii)-white or pink flowers; 12 inches. Jacob's-ladder (Polemonium caeruleum) -blue flowers; 12 inches. Globe-flower (Trollius europeus) - yellow buttercups; 30 inches.
standard outlets, polystyrene cabinets, $7^{\prime \prime}$ w., $71 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ d., $4^{5} / 8^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 80$ pr. General Electric.
Antique Spanish statue, $40^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{h}$., $10^{\prime \prime}$ x $8^{\prime \prime}$ base. Luten-Clarey-Stern."
Brass ashtray, $\$ 2.70$, Tailored Woman, New York, N. Y.
Quail bookends, porcelain, $\$ 12.95$ pr., Paine Furniture, Boston, Mass. Hanging lamp, on brass tube, $45^{\prime \prime}$ l., $12^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ globe, Altamira.*
Dutch floral painting, $34^{\prime \prime} \times 45^{\prime \prime}$, Karl Mann.*
Panasonic 7-jewel Portalarm radiotransistor, ear plug, battery and leather carrying case. $2^{1 / 2^{\prime \prime}}$ w., $4^{\prime \prime}$ h., Matsushita Electric Corp.*
Alabaster ashtray, $5^{\prime \prime}$ diam., \$4. Stark Valla, 109 W. 10th St., New York, N. Y.

Sisal rug, made in Taiwan, $3^{\prime} \times 5$ ', Karl Mann.*

## Right:

"Tiara" Supima sheets and pillowcases, single, $\$ 5.95$; double, $\$ 6.95$; pillowcase, $42^{\prime \prime} \times 38^{1 / 2 "} \$ 1.60$. Springs Mills.
"Piazza" wool plaid blanket, 72 " x $90^{\prime \prime}, \$ 20$. Pearce
Bamboo turned daybed, $78^{\prime \prime}$ 1., M. Mittman. ${ }^{*}$
Bed upholstered in $\mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{G}$ 's Lemon Peel Naugahyde. Herman Miller.* Machine-embroidered pillow with yarn tassels, velvet, $13^{\prime \prime} \times 13^{\prime \prime}$.
"Contessa" wedge-shaped pillow, rayon and acetate, $13^{\prime \prime} \times 16^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime \prime}$ w., at bottom. Nettle Creek.*
Clover-leaf shaped table, painted red, decorated in gold, Doris Dessauer.* Tubeless 7 -transistor pocket radio, earphone, battery, leather case, $3 \% / 4$ " w., $13 / 4{ }^{\prime \prime}$ d., $55 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 42.95$. Zenith. "Orangerie"wallpaper,Louis Bowen.* "Textura Mosaic" vinyl tile flooring with "Renaissance" stripping, Amtico. Everything else privately owned.

## Page 102, left:

"Imperial Tapestry" Duracale sheets and pillowcases, top sheet, single, $\$ 3.98$; double, $\$ 4.98$. Pillowcases, $\$ 1.35$ ea. "Royal Chateau" blanket, Acrilan, nylon velvet binding on 4 sides, single, $\$ 22.50$; double, $\$ 27.50$. Fieldcrest.
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## Right:

"Blossomtone" Supercale sheets and pillowcase, single, $\$ 6.95$; double, $\$ 7.95$, both flat and fitted; pillowcase, $45^{\prime \prime} \times 381 / 2^{\prime \prime}, \$ 2$. Wamsutta.
"Rose Reverie" lightweight blanket, all-over hand screen print, rayon and nylon, acetate binding, $72^{\prime \prime} \times 90^{\prime \prime}$, \$4.98. Chatham.
Three-drawer chest finished in blue, yellow and white, contrasting flower drawer pulls, white legs, $281 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ h., $333 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ w., $16^{1 / 2 "}$ d., $\$ 52.95$ ca.
Mirror, white painted frame, $22^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $\$ 25.95$.
"Benny and His Kite" wooden lamp, painted blue, $\$ 6.95$.

Headboard painted blue and white, $40^{\prime \prime}$ w., $34^{\prime \prime}$ h., twin size, $\$ 34.95$.
All by Child Craft.
Beautyrest box spring and mattress, $39^{\prime \prime}$ w., \$167.95. Simmons. Harvard bed frame.
Teak rocker, foam cushion covered in orange wool tweed, $24^{\prime \prime}$ w., $3 \mathrm{l}^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{d}$., $35^{\prime \prime}$ h., \$104. International Home Furnishings, 220 E. 23rd St., New York, N. Y.
"Apple Tree," 2 -panel set printed in red, black and green on white. "McDonald's Farm" panel with cut-out animals and tulips. Gene McDonald.* Velveteen machine-embroidered pillow with yarn tassels, $11^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime \prime}, \$ 9$. Bloomingdale's, New York, N. Y.
Hand-embroidered pillow, Mexican Indian design in red, rust, H\&G's Empire Green on white wool, shocking pink felt back, $16^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{\prime \prime}$, Nettle Creek. ${ }^{*}$
Antique French cradle, Faux bois
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Cotton Indian dolls: "Saras Wati," $\$ 20$; "Snake Charmer," $\$ 15$; Products of India, 244 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
"Twist Girl" doll, \$2. G. Fox, Hartford, Conn.

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"Toile de Jouy" percale sheets and pillowcase, single, $\$ 3.98$ ea.; Double, $\$ 4.98$ ea., both flat and fitted; pillowcase, $\$ 1.29$. J. P. Stevens.
"Southport" automatic blanket, Acrilan, rayon and cotton, single, $\$ 29.95$; double, single control, $\$ 34.95$; dual control, $\$ 44.95$; General Electric.
"Beautyrest Adjustable Bed," 39" w., hand contour switch button raises and lowers to any position, $\$ 379.50$. Simmons.
"Verve" portable slenderizer, transistor operated, $9^{\prime \prime}$ w., $7^{\prime \prime}$ d., $2^{\prime \prime}$ h., \$289.50. Relax-A-cizor.
All accessories from The Unicorn, 723 Broad St., Shrewsbury, N. J.

Tray Story, Page 112, top:
Dark blue toile laminated cloth trays with brass tray stand, set of $4, \$ 34.95$; matching napkins, $\$ 1$ ea. Bamberger's, Newark, N. J.
Coffee hottles, 2 -cup capacity, turquoise only, insulated collar and stopper, 2 for $\$ 3.50$. Hammacher Schlemmer, 145 E. 57th St., New York, N. Y.
"Anjou" sterling silver, 5-pc. place setting, $\$ 62.15$. Christofle.

## Page 113:

Chrome service cart with two removable Formica trays, rosewood edges, $20^{\prime \prime}$ h., $26^{\prime \prime}$ l., 171/2" d., \$110. Wilburt, Inc., 194 Third Ave., New York, N. Y. "Valtz" casserole, made in France, 3 qt., earthenware, $\$ 25$; matching soup bowls, with handles, $\$ 4.50$ ea. Birch soup ladle, $\$ 2.50$; teak salad bowl, $6^{\prime \prime}$ h., $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $\$ 19.50$; individual salad bowls, $6^{\prime \prime} \times 4^{\prime \prime}, \$ 5.50$ ea.; rosewood and stainless steel salad servers, $\$ 4.75$; rattan roll basket, $\$ 4.25$. All from Bonniers, 605 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y. "Modern Elegance" soup spoon, stainless steel with black nylon handles, 5 -pc. place setting, $\$ 3$. Seabon, 54 E. 54th St., New York, N. Y. "Siesta" 12 " diam., laminated fabric
tray, $\$ 3.50$. Bloomingdale's, New York. Plastic thermos, palisander wood handle and stopper, $1-\mathrm{qt}$. capacity, $\$ 19.50$. Coffee mugs, Swedish stone. ware, with saucers, $\$ 6.25$. Teak tray, ebony backed, $173 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 111 / 4^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 4.95$. All from Seabon.
Olivewood apple box, $\$ 5.99$. Abraham \& Straus, Brooklyn, N. Y.
"Rib Rat Tail" sterling silver luncheon knives, $\$ 13.50$ ea. "Snow" bone china fruit plates, $7^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $\$ 3.25$ ea. Both Royal Worcester Porcelain.

Page 114, top, left:
Electric tray, steel with acrylic finish, walnut handles, $23^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}, \$ 17$. B. Altman \& Co., New York, N. Y.
French porcelain drip coffeepot, 4 cup capacity, $\$ 8.50$, La Cuisinière, 903 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y. "Sceaux Ange" 8" plate, $\$ 8.75$ ea.; café au lait cups and saucers, $\$ 15$ ea.; creamer, $\$ 5.50$; sugar bowl, $\$ 7.50$.
Pencil box with pencils, $\$ 8.50$. Desk secretary, $\$ 9.75$; magnet calendar, $\$ 4.95$; memo box, $\$ 5$; box with ribbons, $\$ 6.50$. All from Mediterranean Shop, 876 Madison Ave., New York.

Center:
Checkerboard tray, black and white plastic, $14^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ sq., $\$ 8$. Bloomingdale's.

## Bottom, right:

Rattan elephant tray table from Hong Kong, $22^{\prime \prime}$ h., $31^{\prime \prime}$ l., $13^{\prime \prime}$ d.; removable tray, $16^{\prime \prime} \times 24^{\prime \prime} ; \$ 55$. Leigh Hammond, 963 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

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1. Plexiglas $11 / 2$-qt. pitcher, wicker and aluminum handle, $\$ 15$. Bonniers, 605 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y. 2. Brass tray, one-of-a-collection, B. Altman \& Co., New York, N. Y.
2. "Chateau" electric tray, walnut
frame, $111 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 241 / 2^{\prime \prime}, \$ 29.95$. Bloomingdale's, New York, N. Y.
3. Wooden tray, $14^{\prime \prime} \times 14^{\prime \prime}, \$ 18.50$. Bloomingdale's.
4. Lacquer tray, $12^{\prime \prime} \times 16^{\prime \prime}, \$ 4$. Azuma, 790 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y. 6. Lacquer tray, set of 4, \$6. Azuma. 7. Peruvian wooden tray, one-of-acollection. Flairtime, 225 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.
5. "Tahiti" flowered laminated fabric tray, $16^{\prime \prime} \times 22^{\prime \prime}, \$ 7$. Bloomingdale's.
6. "Tahiti" canapé tray, 6 " $\times 9$ ", set of $4, \$ 5$. Bloomingdale's.
7. Ceramic bud vase, $11^{\prime \prime}$ h., brown only, $\$ 8.95$. Stark Valla, 109 W. 10th St., New York, N. Y.
8. Electric tray, baked enamel finish, gold sprayed trim, $91 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 17^{\prime \prime}$, \$10. B. Altman \& Co.
9. Mexican lacquered tray, $91 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ x $131 / 2$ " , $\$ 6.50$. Pampered Kitchens, 220 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.
10. Metal tray, $14^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $\$ 9.98$. Bloomingdale's.
11. Folding tray table, walnut frame, plastic laminate top, $18^{\prime \prime}$ h., $16^{\prime \prime}$ w., 19"1. \$16. Bob Jaffe, 190 W. 4th St., New York, N. Y.
12. Lacquered wood candleholders, $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 3 \mathrm{pr}$. Azuma.
13. Napkin rings, set of $6, \$ 4$. Azuma.
14. Folding tray with brass legs, set of 4, \$35. Bamberger's, Newark, N. J.
15. "Tor-shell" Chippendale tray, $20^{\prime \prime} \times 25^{\prime \prime}, \$ 30$. Hammacher Schlemmer, 145 E. 57th St., New York, N. Y. 19. Crystal ice bucket, $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 51 / 4^{\prime \prime}$, \$3.50. Merrill Ames, 41 E. 8th St., New York, N. Y.
16. Rosewood ice tongs, $10^{\prime \prime} 1$., $\$ 5.50$. Merrill Ames.
17. Italian ceramic vase with berries and bows, $\$ 32$. Leigh Hammond, 946

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Madison Ave., New York, N. Y. 22. Wrought-iron folding tray stand, $201 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ h., black only, $\$ 7.50$. B. Altman \& Co.
23. Plexiglas sundae spoons, 50 c ea. Designed for Living, 131 E. 57th St., New York, N. Y.
24. Plexiglas tray, $12^{\prime \prime} \times 19^{\prime \prime}, \$ 12.25$ ppd. Designed for Living.
25. Alabaster cigarette box, $33 / 4$ " d., $43 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ w., $1^{3 / 4^{\prime \prime}}$ h., $\$ 8.95$. Stark Valla. 26. Teak candleholders, $\$ 3.95 \mathrm{pr}$. Merrill Ames.
27. "Longevity" table of Taiwan hardwood, removable hand-engraved $18^{\prime \prime}$ diam. brass tray, $\$ 30$. B. Altman \& Co.
28. Alabaster grapes, bunch, $\$ 6.95$ ppd. Stark Valla.
29. Plexiglas highball glass, $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{h}$., \$1.95. Designed for Living.
30. Handmade Swedish tray, $9^{\prime \prime} \times 18^{\prime \prime}$ x $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, \$9. Wilburt, 194 Third Ave., New York, N. Y.
31. Plexiglas tumbler, $4 \% / 4$ " h., $\$ 2$. Designed for Living.
32. Spanish wrought-iron glass holder, $\$ 2.75 \mathrm{ppd}$. Stark Valla.
33. Canapé tray, $8^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime \prime}, \$ 2$. B. Altman \& Co.
34. Rosewood picks, $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} 1$., 85 c , Merrill Ames.
35. Haidmade Italian ceramic tray, $15^{\prime \prime}$ diam., \$55. Leigh Hammond.
36. Plexiglas ladles, $12^{\prime \prime}$ l., $\$ 3.50$ ea., Designed for Living.
37. Lacquered tray, $13^{\prime \prime} \times 22^{1 / 2 \prime}, \$ 60$. Georg Jensen, 667 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.
38. Ironstone compote, $5^{\prime \prime}$ h., $8^{\prime \prime}$ diam., $\$ 6.50$ ppd. Stark Valla.
Page 116, top, left:
Lucite trays, folding legs, $22^{\prime \prime}$ by $15^{\prime \prime}$, \$29.50. Mayhew, 603 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
Foreground:
"Tiger" plastic place mat, Stotter. Enamel ware from Azuma, 790 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y.
Wooden pitcher, \$7.50. Soupçon, 147 E. 70th St., New York, N. Y.

Flatware: "Spatours" silver plate. Christofle.
Background, left:
"Spoke Stitch" plastic place mat. Stotter.
Covered ramekin and plate, bamboo design, $\$ 7.50$; coffee cup and saucer, $\$ 5.50$; coffeepot, $\$ 6$; creamer, $\$ 2$; sugar bowl, \$4.50. Mayhew.
"Provincial" 7 -oz. juice glass of milk glass, $\$ 3$ ea. Imperial Glass.
"Anjou" sterling silver, $5-\mathrm{pc}$. place setting, \$62.15. Christofle.
Right:
"Papillon" plastic place mat, Stotter. "Anjou" sterling silver, 5 -pc. place setting, $\$ 62.15$. Christofle.
"Limoges" breakfast plate, \$8; egg cup, $\$ 7.50$; cup and saucer, $\$ 10$; coffeepot, $\$ 18$; creamer, $\$ 5.50$; sugar bowl, $\$ 5.50$; bread and butter plate, $\$ 6$; plastic muffin cover, $\$ 3.75$. All from Mayhew.

## Middle, left:

Bar tray, 2 levels, laminated plastic top, $18^{\prime \prime} 1 ., 12^{\prime \prime}$ d., $7^{\prime \prime}$ h., holds 5 bottles, \$19.95. J. Magnin, San Francisco. Right:
Danish teak, with chrome finish, hanging tray rack, holds 8 trays, $10^{\prime \prime}$ h., $13^{\prime \prime} 1$., \$8. The Pottery Shop, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N. Y.

In-A-Pot Cook Book, Cover:
Quistgaard copper casserole with cov-
er and handles, 7 -qt. capacity, $\$ 39.95$. Bloomingdale's, New York, N. Y.

Page 120:
Spice rack, lacquered aluminum and teak, yellow holders, silk-screened labels, plastic shaker tops, $\$ 9.50$.
Metal colander, olive colored enamel finish, black trim, $\$ 4.98$.
Olivewood salt and pepper shakers, Italian, $5^{\prime \prime}$ h., $\$ 3.98$ pr.
"Bellows" nylon, unbreakable, plastic baster, 79c. All from Bloomingdale's. Cast-iron bean pot with cover, 5 -qt. caŋacity, $\$ 16.45$. Blue enamel spoon, speckled white. $14^{\prime \prime} 1 ., \$ 3$. Both from La Cuisinière, 903 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
Sun design potholder, hand embroidered in Mexico, $\$ 1.50$. Apple design, 75c. Pampered Kitchens, 220 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

## Page 121:

Doufeu self-basting oven, 4 qt. flamered enameled cast iron, made in France, $\$ 16.45$, La Cuisinière.

## Page 122:

1. French earthenware, covered oval casserole, fish design in white line, white interior, $2^{11 / 2} \mathrm{qt} .3^{\prime \prime}$ deep, $\$ 17.75$. La Cuisinière.
Brass trivet, $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ h., $101 / 4^{\prime \prime} 1$., $51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ w., $\$ 9.98$. Bloomingdale's.
2. "Meissen" blue and white Dutch oven with cover, 5 qt . oven-proof black handles, $\$ 13.95$, B. Altman \& Co., New York, N. Y.
Brass trivet, $6^{\prime \prime}$ h., $8^{1 / 2 "}$ l., $7^{\prime \prime}$ w., $\$ 15.98$. Bloomingdale's.
3. Brown covered 4 -qt. crockery casserole, black rope-Fike handles, made in Italy, \$15, brass trivet, $4^{\prime \prime}$ h., $53 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ W., $91 / 2^{\prime \prime} 1 ., \$ 8.98$. Bloomingdale's.
4. Siamese teak trivet, criss-cross open design, $71 / 2^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{x} 11^{\prime \prime}, \$ 4.95$, Bloomingdale's.
5. Enameled cast-iron casserole with cover, $2^{1 / 2}$ qt., $\$ 13$. Bloomingdale's. 6. Magnetic trivet, clings to bottom of plain and enameled steel and castiron cookware, \$1. Bloomingdale's.

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1. Pyroceram glass ceramic Dutch oven. 4 qt., $\$ 11.95$, B. Altman \& Company, New York, N. Y.
2. Early American ware black castiron Dutch oven, aluminum rack in bottom, $\$ 8.95$, Trinacria Importing, 415 Third Ave., New York, N. Y. 3. Turquoise Dutch oven with cover, aluminum with porcelain finish, $4^{1 / 2}$ qt., \$11.95, Macy's, New York, N. Y. 4. Presto stainless steel pressure cooker, automatic air vent, menuguide handle, 4 qt., $\$ 22.95$.
3. "Symbol" alloy 15 " oval roaster with meat rack, polished cast aluminum, pimento red cover of porcelain enamel on steel, 8 qt., $\$ 14.95$. Bloomingdale's.

Page 124:
Covered red casserole, made in France, glazed earthenware, 4 qt., $\$ 19.95$, Bloomingdale's.
Interlocking Hotrays and accessory units: "Interloc" starter Hotray, 2 handles and detachable cord, $\$ 9.95$. "Interloc" add-on Hotray units, \$9.95. "Interloc" cheese and canapé server, $\$ 6.95$. Carving board with well, $\$ 9.95$. Hammacher Schlemmer, New York.



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