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## AMERICAN BOOKCASE

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A.L.-Oakland, Cal.

The design of your secretary bookcase, with hinged writing board supported on two pullout slides, indicates it is a transitional piece. The massive scrolls in the lower section signal the end of American Empire style. Pointed arches in the glazing bars forecast "romantic" Gothic Revival. It probably dates about the late 1830s or early 1840s.

ENGLISH EPERGNE
My epergne has Waterford crystal dishes; the silverwork resembles flowers, leaves, and feathers; the feet are lion's feet. It has no identifying marks. Is it 17th-century English as I'm told? T.J. VD.-Chicago, Ill. No, your epergne cannot be 17thcentury English as the epergne was
 not introduced in England until around the mid 18th century. Yours is a fine example of English Sheffield dating around 1825. The unusual treatment of the feet is an interesting detail.


## ALARM BELL CLOCK

The name of the maker of my clock is E. N. Wel . . I can't make out the rest. The address is Forestville, Conn. Can you place it? Is the wheel in the center for setting the alarm? When did clocks first have alarm bells? P.C.M.-Baltimore, Md. E. N. Welch made your shelf clock about the 1860 s . The alarm was set by the wheel in the center of the dial. The bell, used to tell time,
is of very early origin. Originally, the striking of a clock was all important, and probably many medieval clocks had neither dials nor hands but told time only by striking the hour on a bell or gong. Thus "clock" comes from the French cloche, German glocke, meaning bell.

## BRITISH TEAPOT

Please identify my pewter teapot. Markings: "Patent Horn Handle, R3, Swan Nash, Ironmonger, 253 Oxford St., 1208."
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 It became the fashion to serve meals at several small tables, varying from three to eight. Tables in the Queen Anne and Chippendale styles identified as dining tables exclusively were few. During this period in America, tables appearing to be dining tables had drop-leaves, such as your Queen Anne style one dating about 1750.


## VICTORIAN CORSAGE HOLDER

I was told this article might be a candle snuffer, but the needle-type pin attached to the top with a chain makes me doubt it. The silver ring slides off and the handle opens to a three-petal type affair. Do you know what it is? C.B.R.-Arlington, Va. It's a Victorian corsage holder. In use it was held just the opposite of how you photographed it, and when the lady tired of holding or wearing her corsage, she could convert the stem of the holder into a stand by opening the three-pronged legs.

## MEMORIAL BROOCH

This brooch is of black enamel with gold design and letters, the center of glass has a lock of hair beneath. What can you tell me concerning this type of jewelry? H.K.-Lawrence, Kans. The brooch was a favorite piece of Vic-
 torian jewelry, in the category of "memento mori." The inscription on your memorial brooch is old English and says "Memory of Mei" or "in my memory."


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## COLONIAL REPRODUCTION CHAIR

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## I. the great energizer

BY ELOISE R. TRESCHER, R.ID.

The middle of everyone's day should be punctuated by a well-balanced lunch, a delicious hyphen that both connects and separates a full daily schedule. Lunch is a signal to stop, to revive flagging energies, to make you more alert for the rest of the day. It provides time for a change of pace, to relax and socialize, a time to refuel for afternoon activities. Everyone should count on lunch, as it should furnish about one-third of one's daily food requirements - the calories, protein, and other essential nutrients one needs to build and maintain a strong, healthy body. When you come back from lunch, whether it be from the next room or the restaurant across town, you often come back with a new slant for the whole afternoon.

Many individuals, both adults and children, muddle through the day in a twilight of awareness, fatigued and listless, just because of poor eating habits. Their day drags. What they should realize is that a nutritious lunch is a center way station, and one that should include selections from the four food groups. It is best to include all four, but not eat too much of any.
The four food groups:
Milk and milk products
Vegetables and fruit
Meat, fish, poultry, eggs, and cheese
Bread and cereals, whole grain or enriched
A friend, who usually eats lunch at home, alternates her patterns. If she is at a desk or a sewing table most of the morning, she eats her lunch walking around the house or her garden. If she has had a very active morning, she lunches peacefully on a card table she has placed by the sunniest window in the living room. When possible, no matter what the season, she packs a picnic for her executive husband who she thinks is too desk-bound. Together they picnic in a park, overlooking a pier, sometimes the zoo. One time she even dragged her china, the lunch, and her husband to an abandoned boxcar. "I'll do almost anything to take his mind off his work at lunch," she says. And there are three subjects, she claims, you must never discusss at lunch-children, money, or business.

## ec A nutritious lunch is a center way station"

Sandwiches, open or closed, have always been old faithfuls at lunchtime. Try vegetables to add a new twist, zest, and variety to this usual lunch menu. Chop or grate leftover cooked or raw vegetables and mix them with mayonnaise. This makes a delicious spread for meat or chicken sandwiches and is marvelous in salad mixtures such as egg, tuna, chopped liver, or chicken. You can concoct all sorts of vegetable combinations depending on your imagination and ingenuity, plus your knowledge of your family's avowed hates and preferences. Vegetables are all to the good as Continued on page 20
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Lunch is an exercise in good taste and good nutrition that should be part of every day. Lunch at home or in a restaurant is your own free choice, but it is often the lunch parties at a club or at someone's house that sometimes take grace and a certain strategy to avoid overeating. When served an abundance-too much chicken salad, too many spiced peaches-learn to nibble. Learn how to eat slowly. When offered seconds, take small portions. The gesture will be observed (but rarely the amount) and your hostess will feel complimented. This is the time to be a scintillating conversationalist. Address yourself to the company rather than to the food. Soon your plate will be whisked away when you're half finished. This is a good way to cut down on calories without attracting attention to yourself.
No matter where you have lunch, home or away, the four food groups should be served. Have that cheeseburger at the corner drugstore, but start off with a glass of tomato juice or V-8 juice. For dessert choose some fruit or ice cream, and milk, coffee, or tea-a simple lunch but a sound one.

With the scarcity of help and demands on one's time a lunch that can be prepared quickly is always welcome. Here, a spur-of-themoment lunch including the vegetable, often the forgotten food at lunchtime.

## Curried tomato and chicken bouillon <br> Open-face sandwich <br> Fruit bowl <br> Coffee, tea, or milk

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# There's something almost"sinful"about being an Interior Decorator. 

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Putting together rooms that are
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## LUNCH-THE GREAT ENERGIZER <br> continued from page 20

mixture of these fruits-polished apples, bananas, Tokay grape and tangerines.
For children who say they won't eat vegetables, including the surreptitiously in sandwiches is a pleasant surprise and is one wa to teach them to eat a food that they might otherwise refuse. If the catch you chopping, just say, "Joe Namath likes his sandwiche this way." If children are taught to eat properly at home, they wi eat properly at school. And it is a lot easier to build good foo habits than to correct poor ones.
Nutritious school lunches are vital to your child's activity, a tention span, and learning ability. Any child will eat what he like five days straight, but soon he'll tire even of his favorites. It is u to the mother and school nutritionist to add variety to well-balance meals. Surprises often ease the traffic in food trading. Children wh bargain and barter away their lunches end up with poorly balance meals, not only for themselves, but also for others. Given an attrac ive meal, chances are he'll want to keep it.
Important to any bag lunch is a broad-mouthed thermos. It wi keep tuna salad cold and your child can eat his lunch right out the thermos. Send a supply of straws to school too. Most childre will drink almost anything if it can be sipped through a straw. A home, the wise mother keeps a generous supply of straws withi easy reach for soups, juices, and milk drinks.

For an alive and vivacious family, plan and serve tempting nu tritious meals. They deserve top priority. A lunch you might sen to school, which has child appeal could be:
*Baked bean and chopped ham sandwich
Celery sticks stuffed with soft cheese
Candy apple on a stick
Thermos of a favorite cream soup or milk

## Ginger cookies

"To make this sandwich spread the bread with tomato paste and mustard, and add onion, baked beans, and thinly sliced cooked, leftover chopped ham or leftover hot dogs.
With children in school, a small winter lunch is a friendly afte noon. I like this Broccoli Souffle as it incorporates one of the be green vegetables, which is rich in both vitamins A and C whe cooked.

## BROCCOLI SOUFFLÉ

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Remove from heat. Gradually and vigorously stir into slightl beaten egg yolks. Mix in salt, pepper, and broccoli. Beat egg white until they hold slightly tipping peaks. Fold in broccoli mixture.

Turn into an ungreased 1-quart souffé dish. Bake in a slow 350 oven, 45 minutes. Serve at once.

Editor's note: Mrs. Trescher's next column will appear in th March issue of House \& Garden.

## "It's even tougher for a piece of equipment p get into my school than it is for a student."-J.Jmes Bead, teader, author, firiure:


convinced Corning ranges make better cooks. Or I ildn't be teaching with them. get into my cooking school, all tent has to be is patient. There's -year wait.
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## LOOKING TOWARD THE 1976 BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

## A Treat American idea <br> CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN MUSEUMS, RESTORATIONS, AND HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

BY KENNETH B

At Christmastime, finding exactly the right present for a very special person is always a challenge, and when it is met, a pleasure. Under the same circumstances, but in reverse, so is being on the receiving end. For the historophile (new word, nondictionary, but apt), there are three fascinating browsing spots-on foot or by mail order: museums, restorations such as Williamsburg, and historical societies.
Almost all museums have unprosaic Christmas cards, engagement books, calendars, and special publications on their collections. These are nice remembrances, not very expensive, extremely pretty, and once in a while, amusing. But starting with the Metropolitan in New York and stretching across the country, museum gift shops hold far more than cards and calendars. Reproductions of classic American silver abound and run the scale from coffee spoons to sheer magnificence - with appropriate price tags. For a serious silver collector, the Boston Museum of Fine Arts has, for cream and sugar, a little pitcher that looks like a barrel with a spout, and a spouted cup that looks like a little washtub. Naïve and charming, $\$ 135$ and $\$ 65$ respectively. Serious presents.
A firm called Alva Museum Replicas supplies many museums with jewelry and small sculptures. (All are on display at the New York Graphic Society showrooms in New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles.) For $\$ 1$, there is a carved ceramic Egyptian bead, a lovely little thing, just to look at. For \$15, a Tlingit Indian Eagle totem of painted wood, 4 inches high, is an amusing grotesque, and for $\$ 8.50$ each, four different Franklin stovetops-urns, really-are big enough for flowers,small enough for that rarity, an interesting ashtray.


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Not to eat, sit on, or listen to, but perfect for historophiles, are subscriptions to, and memt in (the attendant privileges are many and rew such august establishments as the National T Historic Preservation, $740-748$ Jackson Place Washington, D.C. 20006 (about $\$ 15$ a year Smithsonian Institution's great monthly ma Smithsonian, 810 a year, Was D.C. 20560; The Early America ty, Gettysburg, Pa. 17325, $\$ 6$ fo sues a year, and the American F Society, 383 West Center Street, Ohio 43302 , with two bimonthl cations: American Heritage, $\$$ Americana, \$8.

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## BY IREBECCA WARFIELID

Every present should start out riding on its own emotional wave－ length，otherwise it＇s not only meaningless but a kind of insult． But those perfunctory presents traveling from one cardboard person to another are finally vanishing from the landscape．Re－ member when every Christmas store was thronged with tables of $\$ 3, \$ 10, \$ 15$ presents？Gave you a warm，spontaneous feeling， didn＇t it？

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＂．．．．Always think of your prodigious blue eyes walking down the street ahead of you．It seems to me that this potent eye shadow they call Blueberry Pie suits them pre－ cisely．And thought you would be as amused as I am by the little domed Bucky Fuller Dymaxion house it lives in．＂ （Eye Confections by Max Factor，\＄1．）
．Seeing you the other day I was suddenly reminded of some－ thing that Kenneth Batelle（the Kenneth）once said about Marilyn Monroe－that she was certainly one of the prettiest girls he＇d ever seen but with make－up，just unbelievably dazzling．I want to see you use up your potential so I＇m enclosing a $\$ 25$ gift certificate at Evelyn Marshall．Miss Marshall has invented all her good products and the instructors are dedicated．You＇ll be able to choose your own stuff and you get to keep $\$ 25$ worth．＂（Evelyn Marshall， 14 East Thirty－eighth Street，New York，N．Y．10016．） ＂．．．．Since you are almost certain to be getting into dark nail polish and I know you value laughs so highly，thought you should have this yummy shade，its name－right on the nail－Fudge．＂（By Max Factor，\＄1．）

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## BY MARY MDON HEMINGWAY

In the traditional church calendar, the three-week season preceding Christmas is called Advent. It's a time of quiet preparation for the forthcoming holiday. Regardless of your religious convictions, such a time set aside for low-key, joyful anticipation and preparation is not amiss for anyone before the frantic hurry-scurry of the holiday proper. These three weeks can be a time for spontaneous hospitality, uncomplicated entertainment filled with easy-going pleasures-a time for relishing the simple, the small in scale, a calm that makes the excitement to come far more meaningful.
Sharing in the build-up (as people did in olden times at a quilting bee or a roof-raising) is a marvelous way of preparing for Christmas. Have a dessert, coffee, and liqueur party, perhaps, and provide your guests with Christmas-tree ornament makings-dried flower bits, shells (egg, sea, and nut), feathers, "jewels," Styrofoam balls, cardboard, paints, pencils, paste, spangles, twigs, ribbons. Then let them exercise their imaginations in devising original ornaments. You can offer prizes for the prettiest, the most ingenious, the wildest. Each artist-guest might make two ornaments, keeping one, pooling the others to be used, perhaps, for trimming some institutional tree-one for a pediatric or geriatric ward, a convalescent home, or to help decorate a shut-in's tree.
Just before Christmas try another community venture-spend a morning making Christmas decorations from live plant materials that you and your friends gathered a day or two before. You can try your hand at swags, wreaths, table pieces, and again, make two, giving one, keeping one. Lots of ideas will be generated in a group; give-and-take sharpens everyone's powers of invention. Follow this workshop with a hearty soup luncheon. A gathering like this is fun and you'll have your own decorations ready too.
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Your menus and table settings can reflect the enjoyment of a few things at a time. For instance, I have often recalled the exquisite pleasure we had of sharing fine caviar with its accompaniments and a good white wine with just one other couple at a festal

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An interview with Namey Hanks by Sandra Ddal

EDrror's note: The National Endowment for the Arts is the agency of the United States Government charged with providing financial aid to culture in America. Its chairman for the last four years has been Nancy Hanks, a trim, deceptively easy-going lady from Texas who was president of the Associated Councils of the Arts and, before that, executive secretary and project coordinator for the Rockefeller Brothers Fund Report on the Performing Arts, a seminal study that marked the beginning of greatly increased government and foundation aid to an area of national life that is heavily subsidized in almost every other country but that was, until recently, a forlorn left-over of free enterprise in this country.

Miss Hanks, who was renominated by President Nixon for a
second four-year term of office this fall, has been a deft and able administrator. She has superintended a period of strong growth for the Endowment, during which most of the world of the arts would agree that government aid has been fair, unbiased, free from the interference many artists feared at frrst, and in many cases essential to our continued cultural life.

A:Miss Hanks, what is the National Endowment for the Arts? We're an independent - agency of the execu-- tive branch of the Government, not part of one of the major departments. We report directly to the President. We were established in 1965-and sometimes we forget how young we are because we're trying so hard to do so much. Basically, we're a grant-
making organization. In oth words, we spend most of our tin developing programs within whiq people can apply for grants in a the fields of the arts. In the pe forming arts we are in dance, $m$ sic, film, and theatre. We have program in public media. We hay programs for the museums, for th visual arts, programs in liter ture.
Q: For both organizations and is dividuals?
A: Yes. And then we have thre programs that cut across the line one in education, one for speci projects, and one-our newest that we call Expansion Arts. must say I welcome an opportun ty to talk to people about us b cause there aren't that mar people in the country who a even aware that the National $E_{1}$

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## HOW TO GET A GIRANT; HOW TO GIVE A GRANT; HOW TO HELP THE ENDOWMENT

${ }^{\circ}$ The first step toward getting a National Endowment grant, or any other foundation grant, is to study a copy of the annual report that tells what programs exist and what kind of thing, in general, interests the foundation. The second step is to write for an application and for a copy of the guidelines for the specific program that interests you, which also will give deadlines for applications, to the National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, D.C. 20506. If your library doesn't have a copy of the annual report you can write for that too.

The Endowment has certain basic policies-for example, money can only be given to professional artists or to tax-exempt organizations, is never given to erect buildings or buy equipment, and cannot be guaranteed for more than one year-but it is also highty flexible and open to innovative ideas. If your proposal doesn't fit
a standard application or an established program, write or call. Somebody there will listen.
${ }^{\circ}$ The legislation establishing the Endowment includes a unique provision to enable it to work in partnership with private donors to the arts. Congress appropriates money for a special Treasury fund, which can be used to double the amount of a donation received from any source outside the federal government. So far, private donations have totaled about $\$ 16.6$ million, making an extra $\$ 33.2$ million available to the arts.
${ }^{\circ}$ You can help the Endowment help the arts by supporting your state arts council. In 1965, when it was established, the Endowment got funds to pass on to official state arts agencies-but only seventeen states had them. By 1968, all fifty states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, and Guam all had councils active in the
arts to some degree. Some, lik New York's, have healthy budge of their own, but they all need th demonstrated interest and suppo of citizens to continue receivin favorable attention from stat governors and legislatures. Th Endowment has provided mor than $\$ 24$ million to these arts ager cies on a matching basis for pro ects initiated by the states, to b developed for the benefit of the citizens.
${ }^{\circ}$ Encourage your local schools an parent-teacher organizations to b more aware of the arts. Univers ties, often under student pressur are starting more and mor arts programs and, says Mis Hanks, "everywhere I go, I se universities building performand halls." But elementary and second ary schools are less responsive. I spite of strongly increased studen interest, arts curricula have bee consistently the first things cut i any financial pinch.


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dowment exists. It took the United States practically 200 years to establish a federal agency that has any concern for the arts in the country and for the people's benefit from them. We're a little bit less than eight years old now-the legislation that enables us to exist comes up for renewal this yearand I think we're doing pretty well.
Q: What is the basic structure?
A: The National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, a sort of parallel to the National Science Foundation, provides the basic framework. The Endowment for the Arts, advised by the National Council on the Arts, makes up half. The President recommends a budget for us to Congress each year and after hearings Congress first authorizes a certain amount of money, then makes the appropriation-and we hope and pray it's as much as was authorized.
Q: How do you decide on what to spend the money?
A: Fortunately, I don't have to make those decisions. We feel very strongly that we are administrators of the National Endowment for the Arts and our job is not to make decisions in terms of artistic quality. We depend totally on our panels for that. We have ten panels of advisors now, one for each program. They're made up almost entirely of professionals who've been in their particular fields all of their lives. Many of them, of course, are artists themselves and know about art. There's also, always, the question of personal taste-to me, a very important judgment. We rotate at least a third of each panel every year just so we have a constant influx of different measures of professional judgment, because there's absolutely no way in the world you can make a totally objective decision on grants to the arts. It's a subjective area. And, of course, the National Council on the Arts makes the final recommendations.
Q: And I suppose from your point of view intention is very important, whether or not the applicants for grants are serious people, capable of doing something significant?

A: That is a basic criterion. T arts are highly disciplined. You no good at all as an artist unle you dedicate your life to the ar People who think artists are peop who just go off and do their ow thing don't know what they're tal ing about. So we take a good ha look at the applications comin from institutions, as well as fro individual artists, to make sure ti intention is serious, and respon: ble. To give you an example: If orchestra applies for money to gi a series of performances of co temporary music for school ch dren, and its budget does not sho adequate rehearsal time for goc performances, that application w be turned down. Not that childr don't need an opportunity to he contemporary music-but if th orchestra isn't realistic enough ar serious enough to know that needs more rehearsal time, should be turned down. Anoth example: XYZ institution appli to us saying it has this absolute marvelous idea: it's going to tal its art into the streets or on tl road, or wherever. If it has backup evidence that the cor munity it intends to visit real wants it, that application will turned down.
Q: Most of your grants to orgar zations have to be matched community money, don't they? A: That's written into our legisl tion. Someone on Capitol H asked us recently if it wouldr help to have a provision so that v could give grants that were $n$ 50/50 matching. Speaking for tl National Council, I said that or of the most important things we is to support programs that peop are already involved in and cor mitted to. My own view, and i certainly the view of the Couns and the Congress and the Pre: dent, is that we should use tl money to stimulate and encoura other money and not to replace Q: Yet I know that most of $t$ country's major arts organizatio -operas, orchestras, museum dance companies, theatres-ar many of the smaller ones now d pend upon the Endowment for least part of their annual suppo

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And you are increasingly important to individual artists, too.
A: That's true. But you know, 70 to 75 percent of the funds for cultural activities in the United States -and this is totally unique in the world-still come from individuals. The governments, federal, state, and local, are very junior partners. The budget for the National Endowment has increased from less than $\$ 21 / 2$ million for our first fiscal year, 1966 , to the more than $\$ 50$ million that was just appropriated for fiscal 1974, but it's still a very modest sum when you consider the need, and the growing public interest in the arts. More than 600 million people were visitors to museums last year, for instance, and the audience for dance alone has grown 600 percent since 1965most of it outside New York. I think one of the proudest achievements of the federal government is that the very modest funds have basically been used to get the arts into areas and to people who have not had an opportunity to enjoy them before.
Q: Speaking of new areas, earlier you mentioned Expansion Arts. What are they?
A: We had to laugh when we set up the program because nobody could think of an appropriate name for it. Some people have called them grass-roots arts, some call them decentralized art, art at the community level, in the neighborhood. Basically these are the arts off-stage, out of museums, out of concert halls. The old granddaddies of the field would be places like the Henry Street Settlement in New York, Karamu House in Cleveland, Hull House in Chicago. Since about 1968 we've seen a tremendous growth in numbers of groups and individuals working in this field, all over the country. It's not only our newest program-I think in terms of the cultural development of our nation, it's about as exciting as anything we have.
For example, there's the Michigan Artrain. The Michigan State Arts Council got unions to fix up old railroad cars, and the Detroit Institute of Fine Arts equipped them. One car shows something of
the history of art, two more ar filled with very fine art works, thet there's a car full of good designs and the last car has live artist working. It comes to a town, usual ly a very small town, and arounc the train local activity develops Local artists come and have show or music or dance performances It comes to a town of, say, 7,000 and in three days 7,000 peopl show up. It was highly successfu but it was also very expensive Michigan couldn't afford it for 12 months of the year. So, with ou help, a plan was developed to take it out of the state for six months It's been in the Rocky Mountains and it will tour parts of the South during the winter. That Artrain i what the National Endowment i all about.
You know, there's a big rise ir participation in the arts. This has been the major change in the las couple of years. I have the feel ing that people got tired of jus looking, got tired of being specta tors. Now they want to do some thing on their own, to create some thing themselves. Everybody's pot ting or weaving. Everybody's go a camera. And they're taking pic tures-not just pictures of grand mother and the children, but pic tures they view as important piece. of beauty, significant things in their lives. Well, that's an expres sion of art, and I think it's absolutely wonderful that today we don't think of art as just the Picas so hanging on the museum wall.
Perhaps it's a question of joy that was needed. Just a few year ago you saw all those very serious, very intent young people on campus who were not smiling very much, really. It was basically an unhappy generation. But it's awfully hard to be creative if you're frowning all the time. We may not be raving with joy right at the moment, but things are basically better.
There has been a particular thrust from young people. They want the arts in their schools, they want them in their universities Universities have been forced many of them, to change their cur

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ricula because the students want to participate in a performance of Shakespeare, for an example, instead of just reading Shakespeare in class.
Q: Mightn't too many amateurs lower the general level of quality in the arts?
A: Quite to the contrary. People used to worry about that, but when someone participates in the arts, he knows how difficult they are, how hard it is to achieve full quality. So the more people you have working in the arts, the more who will understand quality, the difference between good and bad. Now, very frankly, I know that federal funds have been very heip. ful in this happening, but I think it would have happened anyway. People, particularly young people, want more art in their lives. The polls all show this. No program in the Endowment has received more response than Architecture and Environmental Arts. Five years ago when people talked about the environment they meant only air and water pollution. Now many of them are talking about the visual environment too. They want our cities to be more beautiful. They want to preserve lovely old buildings and to turn them to new purposes.
Q : What about buildings for the arts? People used to worry that money for arts centers seemed to come way ahead of money for arts programs.
A. There was a tremendous amount of building-because it was needed, the old buildings were falling down-ten years ago. People called it the Edifice Complex, remember? Perhaps the building process was a little bit ahead of the demand for performance and use, though I have never been aware of a case where a good building with a good stage, one on which a dancer wouldn't permanently injure himself if he fell, drove away dance performances. Or a hall where good acoustics drove away a good symphony performance. Today the big construction is basically going on at universities, because of student demand. Trustees around the coun-
try are finally, and wonderfull realizing that this is important $f$ their university communitie They're building facilities whole regions. Because the faci ties are wanted and needed. Q: Is the increased interest in $t$ arts part of growing affluence? A: No. Because some of the mo exciting work is going on amor people you would ordinarily ca disadvantaged. In our Artists-i Schools program we see examp after example of children who a disadvantaged economically, ma be disadvantaged in their abili to communicate with their friend Or perhaps they have no friend Then a poet comes in to work wi them, for example, and the chi who may be inarticulate, who m be unable to read or write, sudde ly hears the beauty of the sound words and finds that words ha meaning. And he begins to lear Just through poetry. This is a trmendous thing, and it's ju beautiful to watch. We're in 27 C schools. But there are abo 190,000 schools in the countr You might think everyone wou leap forward to insist on havir artists in his schools too, but th won't happen. It will take a ve long time. It's a very big thing move a whole educational syster Still, people learn. They're respo sive when they are doing creati things, there's no question about Art is just the greatest communic tor of all time. And communicatic is the basis of life.
Q: In other words, the phra: "quality of life" as it applies to th arts doesn't mean decorating a li you already have. The arts are in volved with some of the basic too of life.
A: That's it, right there. When th Rockefeller Report was publishe in 1965, the first recommendatio stated that the arts are central life. To quote: "The panel is mot vated by the conviction that th arts are not for a privileged fe but for the many, that their plac is not on the periphery of societ but at its center, that they are no just a form of recreation but are central importance to our well-b

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## CHGOSE THE UNENPECTER.

No, Aunt Molly isn't necessarily thrilled with her yearly scarf. Shake her up a bit (or anyone on your list) with, say, some lovely turn-of-the-century Japanese Ianterms, lush pink with striking calligraphic figures on them, to sparkle up her terrace or for a very special party. Sizes from about 10 to 34 inches; prices, $\$ 8.50$ to $\$ 18$. At The John Rugge Shop. . . . Or startle friends with a pitchforlis shaped from a single piece of hickory wood-great for an Early American setting or the most contemporary. They serve as simple, abstract sculptures (work, too, they're light and strong). Designed by David Sawyer, 62 inches long. 3 -pronged, $\$ 17$; 5 -pronged, $\$ 24$. At Earth Works. . . . A wall of water? Well, why not! It's a 7 foot high, 1-foot wide, acrylic aquarium that holds 45 fresh-wa-
$\$ 3.50 \mathrm{ppd}$. a six-pack of about seeds each, from Edmund Scie! tific Co. . . . Youngsters and, f that matter, the not-all-that-youns can have fun with Crazy Elmer, reproduction of an 1828 me chanical toy. Elmer's a fishe man who casts his line and eac time it gets wound around a tre on either side of him. He's prim tive, wood outlined in black ink, inches long. $\$ 8.95$ at The Joh Rugge Shop. . . . Youngest "gift ees" will be astonished with thei children's calenalar that give off delicious fragrances. Eac month of the 1974 Scratch \& Snif Golden Fragrance Calendar is de lightfully illustrated by Aureliu Battaglia and each picture has a object you scratch gently to emi its aroma. For example, the Apri page has an Easter lily; the Feb ruary one, a chocolate valentine Even if a youngster can't reac dates yet, he surely can sniff anc he'll love releasing the gentl aromas. Published by Golder Press, $\$ 2.95$ at bookstores.

Surprise your southpaw friend with utensills made specificalt $I_{y}$ for the left-lianaled: lippe ladle, $\$ 4.95$; pinking shears, $\$ 9.95$ potholder mitts, $\$ 1.75$; or hov about knitting instructions, \$2.95 needlepoint for lefties, $\$ 5.95$; host of other articles that usuall present problems. Order them a from The Aristera Organization, Rice's Lane, Westport, Conn 06880. . . . Or titillate gourmet with prime stealis. Certainly un expected, certainly appreciated is these days of "meaty" problems The Kenton Collection deliver four, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ pound, fat-free, juicy

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port, Me. 04032. . . . Also from Bean, sharpening stomes, superb and hard-to-find. All-purpose tone of double grit Crystolon with nedium and fine sides, 15 inches ong, $\$ 3$ ppd.
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on your list, for instance, loves to fook and loves to try new things, give a Chimese woll or Mongoiann fire pot. A wok set-wok, tand, cover, special utensils, cook-ook-is $\$ 27.75$ ppd. A solid copeer fire pot with built-in brazier elow a central chimney and alumnum liner for broth, $\$ 51.65 \mathrm{ppd}$. Guests cook their own food in fire oot using brass scoops which are ncluded. Both at Williams-Sooma. . . . Offer some of the sharpest, handiest knives around-a Japanese cutlery set consisting f six traditional knives suited for cutting everything you might ever reed to slice, all inserted in a 24 nch wood rack. $\$ 39.75 \mathrm{ppd}$. from Taylor \& Ng.
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The Portable Feast by Diane D. MacMillan (101 Productions, $\$ 7.95$ hardcover; $\$ 3.95$ paperback) : suggestions and recipes for food for everything from elegant pienics (even a luau and Chinese picnic) to a "handful of grop in a hiker's pack." . . . The Complete Outdoor Cookbook by Yvonne Young Tarr (Quadrangle, $\$ 8.95$ ) : recipes for terrace, back
son.
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The artistic child who likes to work with his hands will take pleasure in making objects from eggs and egg crates. Betsy Pflug's happy book, Eggsperiment (Lippincott, \$4.95) gives easy directions for all sorts of pretty, whimsical, humorous things-tree ornaments, bird houses, chess sets, whacky animals. Lots of fun to make and unusual gifts to give. At all bookstores.

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Perhaps you think the only alternatives you ave when it comes to decorating your home re: Playing it safe and ending up with someing predictable and dull. Or trying something dventurous and chancing a catastrophe.

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## "GIVING THINGS IS THE VIOST HU IIA AVD MATURAL TRADSICTION OF LLL"


$s$ we approach the festive, gift-giving season, some of us may feel uneasy about acquiring more things. But could we really live without possessions? "There is no society without some form of possessions," declares anthropologist Professor June Macklin, author with
Cannel of The Human Nature Industry (Anchor Press Doubleday \$7.95). "Man is the organizing animal and he organize his landscape, which includes material objects. He must have a somewhat predictable world. With ssions or with things, he can control his environment, build a scenery that gives him a sense of stability and action and provides meaning to his life." We need things to which we have attached agreed-upon values to rage exchange and establish relationships and contracts. You give someone a gift appropriate to the occasion ais stimulates proper reciprocity. In the same way, a dinner invitation prompts a response and offers a reinforck between friends or acquaintances. "Giving things is the most human and natural transaction of all," Profesacklin goes on. "We give gifts at times of rites of passage-the baptismal gift, the birthday gift, the wedding gift, aduation present-when individuals are making their passage through life or making significant changes in . And we give and exchange things to symbolize changes for the whole society, at Christmas and Easter and seasonal celebrations throughout the year."
f young people today are rejecting things, they are not rejecting everything. Many things have significance and meaning to them: handcrafted objects of all kinds, for example, any sort of equipment that makes music or involves nature and living in the outdoors. What is probably happening is that our cultural values are changing. "For more than a century now, it has been our belief that if you had all the right material appurtenances and the knowledge to mold you properly, you would grow up into a well-adjusted functioning adult. But we have found this faith to be misplaced," Professor Macklin reasons, "it was simply inadequate. It left some of us in our fifties, finding we didn't have what we really wanted, hadn't accomplished what we wanted and wondering is this all there is?' "What young people are doing is attempting to get in touch with that internal, inalienable something that is the individual, which they feel mechanistic "things" have obscured. They sense that these things have moved us away from what is human and natural. To anthropologists, this amounts to the start of a new Romantic era. We shall continue to give, acquire, collect, and share possessions, but they will be different objects that we invest with meaning and significance. You can be antimaterialistic and still accumulate cookie cutters of all shapes and sizes and spend pre-Christmas days baking fantastic cookies for everybody you know (see page 130). When the collection of objects you live with expresses something inside of you as a person, life is inevitably richer. The Frank McGregor Smiths, page 84, thought of each object as a gift to their house. We offer you a special issue that indicates how we are shifting ideas about what's worth giving and what things in our society have value to us-marvelous ideas to draw on to fulfill your own basic desire for giving.

> "An object becomes part of your life when you search for and find and

## learn all about it" <br> COLLECTING FOR TIIE



## HOUSE

 walks up the hill and look at it and think if we had our choice that's where we'd like to live." When the children were eighteen, twelve, and ten, the Smiths were able to buy it and begin furnishing "gradually, within the limitations of money and liveability." Many collectors "think first of the pieces," Mrs. Smith says. "Nearly everything we've bought has been with the idea that it belonged in a certain place in this house. It was never an elegant house. It was a 1740 farmhouse on the Philipsburg Manor, a tract along the Hudson River that covered some 96,000 acres in Colonial days. In collecting for it we have been guided by the period, the area, and the way the people lived who had it before us." Mrs. Smith was always interested in "the decorative end of antiques." Mr. Smith's interest, "running down all the facts and dates," came when they acquired the house. "One day Mrs. Smith wanted me to go with her to look at antiques. I tried to discourage her but fortunately," he adds, "she prevailed. Now collecting is our major interest next to the family. A piece of furniture and any antique has more meaning if you learn all about it. In collecting, one thing leads to another but young people should start, I'd say, by looking for the basic things they need -furniture, rugs, then china, glassware, and other accessories. You get more long-term enjoyment from furnishing your house than from any other kind of collecting, and it's a good investment. Our specialized collections-woodworking tools and old farm and garden equipment-started with a chest of 18 th-century carpenters' tools from England our son gave us one Christmas. We're practical people and our favorite kind of gift is a gift for the house."

1find an herb garden when they went to a Connecticut antiques show eight years ago, but there it was: a green and pewter-gray display neatly fenced with weathered wood and edged by narrow boxes like window boxes, "the perfect idea for our stony 13-by-20-foot kitchen yard," RIGHT, " where we had just a clothesline before. We were completely smitten and sought out the designer, Adelma Simmons of Caprilands Herb Farm. The upshot is that we bought the garden outright and have been enjoying it ever since." Mint, lamb's ears, and 'Silver Mound' artemisia border the stepping stones outside the kitchen and laundry room. 'Southernwood' artemisia in boxes frame the pebble paths. The square garden with a sundial on a stump grows culinary herbs; the one behind it has decorative herbs. (See plan in Gardener's Notes, page 234.) Herbs are hung to dry in "a barn we dignify with the title of 'horticultural hall,' " left. In the 18th-century collection here: a painting on glass of Horace Walpole, a wooden shovel,
 photoprints of garden pages from the Diderot encyclopedia, a barrel made from a tree trunk, Wilkinson steel shears, copper watering can.





Collecting for the house A LASTING, GROWING ENJOYMENT
"Sharing knowledge is the way collectors reciprocate." For years now the Smiths have shown their house and outbuildings to local fourth grade American history classes and have smiled over their thank-you letters. "Sometimes what the children like best is the cat or a three-cornered hat that hangs with a cane in the front hall. But some say 'the house makes history real' and that's what we always hope for." The Smiths have helped with restorations in Westchester County, the 1719 Hammond House and Wayside Inn. "It's important for young people to have the priceless opportunity to see good restorations," Mr. Smith says. "I like to see young families visit places like Colonial Williamsburg in Virginia, Winterthur in Delaware, Old Salem in North Carolina, Shelburne in Vermont, Old Deerfield and Old Sturbridge in Massachusetts, Greenfield in Michigan. There they'll see appropriate colors and how to use antiques and they'll know what to do right off the bat. We have found the antiques forums every year at Williamsburg a major inspiration." This January one of the forum topics will be the Smiths' own well-loved house.
 'horticultural hall' where the Smiths keep their farm and garden collection, RIGHT, a blue wall cabinet was made from a window frame. The chair is a Sheraton Windsor. Near the loft stairs, opposite page, right, is a large grain cradle used for cutting and stacking barley, wheat, rye. More on herbs in Gardener's Notes.



Almost every Christmas list is devoted, with love, to three kinds of friends: Old and dear ones you've known for years; fairly new ones you like so much you hope they will become old ones; and a very special category-growing-up friends. Shall we say the little boy next door? The first contingent is the least difficult. You know what their houses are like, what colors they like, what they collect, or don't, what they need (this they don't always know, but you do-a new colander, maybe), what they like to eat, to read, to smell like, to listen to. There may even be something of your own they have coveted for years. If it can't be duplicated, give it to them. It's a little bit of yourself.

New friends aren't as easy, but surely you know enough about them to point you in the right direction. People who love kitchens love things for kitchens. People who love the theatre will adore tickets for something they haven't seen (in this case, a little advance notice is not out of order), and people who travel are always grateful for the latest Michelin. New friends or old, everyone likes things to eat, and if you can make a Sacher Torte better than anyone in Vienna, make it. But not for dieters or cholesterol watchers. Something out of a cookbook like the new Haute Cuisine for Your Heart's Delight would be kinder. Or if your friend can cook, the book itself. If you can needlepoint (or if your friend can) get out the wool and canvas. No matter what people drink, ginger ale or Old Dragon's Fire, they need coasters, and the best one yet is a little needlepoint square mounted on felt. It doesn't stick, it's washable, and the design can be as simple-and as chic-as a lowercase initial.

As for your little friend next door, just because he's a child doesn't necessarily mean that he likes childish things. He might fancy something to dress up in-a Napoleonic bicorn—or something to undress in-a pair of little Mark Spitz swimming pants.

For anyone and everyone, the safest bet of all, of course, is something for the house. We all live in one, and there is always that whatever-it-may-be (if you can ferret it out) that a house needs. To help you-below and on the following pages-you will find a sound and comprehensive catalogue of ideas. Everything is available (you may have to write, but, you can get it). All are presented to save you time and steps and to give you food for thought-and thoughtful giving.





Finding the perfect present
FOR CAR PEOPLE CAT PEOPLE AND PEOPLE WHO HAVE EVERYTHING

Not for child's play, I the "Bobo" phone plugs into any jack. $\$ 90$. Hammacher Schlemmer. 2 Gorham's 1973 Sterling Snowflake, fourth in their Christmas series. \$11. Altman's. 3 Lacquered wood and bamboo lunch box, 8 inches long. $\$ 30$. Robert Webb. 4 Porcelain quiche pans, $111 / 2$ inches in diameter, \$37; 10 inches, \$25. Bergdorf Goodman. 5 The "Take ' $n$ Tape" portable cassette recorder by Panasonic is so small you can take it with you absolutely everywhere! $\$ 33$. At Gimbels. 6 Mama duck is a 1 quart ceramic casserole, $\$ 16$; baby dove, a 2 -cupper, $\$ 12$; and little partridge holds $1 \mathrm{cup}, \$ 8$. The Village Gallery. 7 Wooden crates filled with growing wildflowers come in 3 sizes. From $\$ 30$. Jean-Jacques Bloos. 8 Sterling Guernsey jug's handle is covered with woven cane. $\$ 290$. Tiffany. 9 Small cat pillows snuggle warmly anywhere near the tops of Christmas stockings. From $\$ 7.50$. The Molly Shop. 10 Electric "Ice Cream Machine" works in the freezer with no ice, rock salt, or endless cranking. 1 hour equals 1 quart. $\$ 20$. By Salton. 11 And A-WAAAY we go! in a white 1974 Ford Mustang II. 12 Light enough to zip along the beach, "Dune Cat" is powered by a 5 HP engine. $\$ 595$. Abercrombie \& Fitch. 13 Brilliant pink and navy tablecloth is bordered with large white medallions. 70 -inch round, $\$ 18$; 90 -inch, $\$ 27$. At Henri Bendel. 14 White lacquered French chair frames the needlepoint you do for the seat, arms, back. $\$ 350$ for design; $\$ 500$ for frame and mounting of finished work. At Woolworks. 15 Clear Lucite place mat, \$22, and napkin presses, $\$ 16$, may be ordered with a single initial on each. Ribbon straps keep them flat and tight. Saks Fifth Avenue. 16 Six-inch bonsai is three years old! Explained in accompanying booklet. \$13. Jackson \& Perkins. 17 The ultimate gift for the coffee lover is a vermeil coffee measure. $\$ 8$. Tiffany. 18 The miniature velvet animals are handpainted. $\$ 50$ each. Frank Milton. 19 Portable smooth top range has two 12 -inch-square heating units. The surface is both stain and scratch resistant. $\$ 50$. By Cornwall. 20 Glass salt and pepper shakers topped with sterling monkey shines (hippos, too). $\$ 60$ a pair; in silverplate, $\$ 20$ for monkeys, and $\$ 24$, hippos. At Soupçon. 21 "Nerf-Mobiles" are made of non-toxic foam that comes in bright colors and shapes. $\$ 3.30$ each. By Parker Bros. At Gimbels. 22 Pale pink velvet covers a bench of Honduras mahogany. \$210. By Victorian Furniture Galleries. At G. Cardarelli. 23 Bright yellow letter paper banded with scarlet on sheets and envelope lining. About $\$ 10$ a box. By Crane. 24 Bowmar's 8 digit personal pocket calculator adds, subtracts, divides, multiplies, has a floating decimal and memory bank! \$130. $2 \pi$ Pewter muffineer, 8 inches tall, makes an excellent cheese dredger too. \$23. By Reed \& Barton. At Macy's. 26 To sweeten Christmas breakfast, 6 flavors of jam from The Pequot Emporium. $\$ 2.75$ per jam; $\$ 4$ basket. 27 Stainless bar set has its own boxed stand to keep bar area neat and efficient. \$20. At Bonniers. 28 Hinged découpage boxes designed by Theodora for Concinnity. Cover of the open triangle box has a giraffe, $\$ 65$; turtle, \$75. 29 Pine cedar chest that is handsomely trimmed with chrome locks out the eyes of peeking elves. \$180. By Lane. 30 "Doll House" custom quilt has tiny dolls that tuck into "pocket" windows. Designed by Dolores A. Hinson, it measures 60 by 70 inches. $\$ 250$. At Such Outlandish Stitches. Allow at least 90 days for delivery.

## Finding the periect present

FOR INDOOR PEOPLE OUTDOOR PEOPLE AND IN-YOUR-OWNHOUSE PEOPLE

Give your house and family a Christmas present that lasts through the year. Here, a guest room made over to attract the whole family and still cheer a guest. A room full of ideas that can be picked out and used separately or together for the mood you want to create. The inspiration for the stenciled floor came from a quilt of unnamed design and 19th-century Pennsylvania Dutch origin. Built-in bookcases create a niche for the canopy day bed. Chrome and glass table provides plenty of clean space as a desk and for occasional meals. By Lane. The squared-off comfort of cushion-softened rattan is by Tropi-Cal. Low round table and stacking chair are poly ester resin by Artemide. The rich white fabric, Belgian linen and cotton, covering the cushions is from S. Harris. Gay yellow fabric at window to match the sunlight is also Belgian linen. Streaking color on window wall is "Fire Bird" by Friedel Dzubas from André Emmerich Gallery. Below bookcase is "Delphic Sunbox \#|" by Theodoros Stamos from Marlborough Graphics. "Quadruple Irish Chain" quilt from America Hurrah Antiques. On table, a swiveling overhang lamp-"Salice" from Fontana Arte by Venini. Room design by James Wilds of Bon Marché, Seattle, Wash. For shopping information see page 237 1 Holly isn't just for the mantel, it goes to the table as a cake plate, $\$ 29$, and a cup and saucer, $\$ 14$. Both from Lenox. 2 "The Zonker System" a menagerie of lights magnetically attached to their own bar in white or chrome ( $\$ 29$ for 2 feet). Lights are directional and in colors. From $\$ 19.50$ at George Kovacs. $\mathbf{3}$ No "Hurrumps" will be heard if the frog lover in the family finds Porthault's stuffed version under the tree. $\$ 40$. 4 Unusual game collectors will love figuring out a Pachinko machine from Japan. At F. A. O. Schwarz. \$75. 5 A seethrough percolator is perfect for those who like to know things from the inside out. By Corning. \$13. 6 A handkerchief transformed with polyester filling and a gingham border to a "Lily of the Valley" pillow by Liz Sanders Designs. At Godchaux's. \$28. 7 A sunny mobile server or storage unit-whatever the moment needs. By Found ers. $\$ 104$. $\mathbf{8}$ The elusive mirror that always gives a pretty reflection can be found at Hammacher Schlemmer for \$75.9 A comfort-seeking antique lover would find welcome resting spots in these ottomans of antique kilim rugs by Flood/Schneider Designs. \$220. 10 For the young and curious, a patchwork pig with snap-on piglets. The Molly Shop. $\$ 65$. 11 A throne to survey the flowers from. A tractor seat-now garden seat. Maplewalnut Studio. \$40. 12 An American pewter soldier solemnly guards your place astride an oversized napkin. $\$ 3.75$ the set, postpaid from Pequot Emporium. 13 An adventure seeker will find many new ones in a bright plastic kayak. "Royak" at Abercrombie \& Fitch. $\$ 379$ 14 Move it along with the party or will the party follow it? A bar cart from Hammacher Schlemmer. \$135. 15 A miniature forest, gnarled and interwoven, makes a round basket of terra cotta by Ronaldo Maia. From $\$ 35$. 16 Space-age design and technology-turntable, 8 -track tape player, AM-FM stereo radio, and speakers-all packed in one small unit by Weltron. $\$ 290$. At Bloomingdale's. 17 Pick up generous mounds of what you will with a scoop of naturally shed horn. Just make sure it's out where it can be admired. Pequot Emporium. $\$ 3.75$ postpaid. 18 Frosty cool and clear, a Lucite ice chest 10 -by9 -by-8 inches. At Georg Jensen. $\$ 100$. 19 The indoor gardener has everything scaled down and kept together in a watering can basket. At Bloomingdale's. $\$ 10$. ALL Prices approximate. addresses, page 76

















The kitchen is small by request, and snow white. Equipment is within an easy arm's reach. Everything is geared toward the production of exquisitely simple meals-often using the
built-in grill-and it all wipes clean with a quick flick of a cloth.
pool was one of the owners' basic requirements for the house. This one, wooden walls lined with sprayed cement, is a constant 4 feet deep and perfect for frequent dunking, separated from the living room by a sheltered deck and a sliding glass wall. Beyond is the carefully unkempt field across which raccoons and occasional deer take their evening strolls. Wooded edges ensure that the view will stay as it is now. Each mode of the own-
TOWER ers' life has its own level. The top of the tower is theirs alone. They entertain on the main ROOM floor; guests sleep below (not shown in plan). A stairway spirals up
OPEN TO through the house, turning on triangular landings,
THE VIEW from the rooms for guests games, and laundry at the bottom level to the rooftop, a viewing and sunning area.



ight eddies and bounces through the house so that even the most overcast days fill it with a soft glow. Yet at only three windows does the sun enter directly. Two of those windows are skylight ceilings for two of the baths. Shelved out from the sides of the house, their slanting glass roofs invite floods of sunlight into the powder room, below, where it dances in an arc-shaped mirror specially cut to encourage it, and into the master bathroom's shower, opposite page, below, where potted palms love the warm humidity. A heavy snowfall may cover the glass for an hour or so in winter, but a flick of the switch for heat lamps set overhead quickly dispels it. The third sun-catcher is an upstairs window, above right, over a desk-turned-greenhouse where plants native to the tropics are doing very well. Everything else in the house is lit by a cleverly arranged indirection that weaves daylight into constantly changing patterns meandering among the white planes of the walls. The bedroom window, above left, which serves as footboard for the bed, leans out over the pool to catch glimmers of the sun reflected from its surface. A strip of glass set into the rooftop allows light to fall down the entire well of the house along the dining room wall, through a room-length slot to the guest bedroom below; the warm camel colored wall bounces it into the loft-like "football room," left, so-called because the television set built in side-by-side with the second fireplace is kept tuned to the big games during the professional football season.

The east side of the house, left, features a long horizontal panel of glass wrapped around a corner high in the living room wall. Shaded by the overhang of the bathroom upstairs, it bathes the interior with cool light and, from inside, provides a panoramic slice of treetops and sky. An eye-level window, also shaded, looks toward the rising sun. The retaining wall protects the guest bedroom below from even a glimpse of the road Right: The snowy-white south side of the house with its pool, deck, and angled master bedroom window overhead.




Cut 3-inch holes for most seeds or peat-pot transplants, 2-inch slits for fine seeds and root crops; slits ease harvest even of 6 -inch onions. Tools used, above, are electric hand drill with 3-inch circular saw attachments; sharp knife; tablespoon to plant. For soil removal, use a tray; for spills, a broom or vacuum. Bricks and stones weight carpet against winds. 28-by-46-foot garden, right: 1 , wire fence supporting 10 tomato plants, 20 cucumbers, 20 pea plants; 2, borders of marigolds and ornamental kale and cabbage, with sunflowers at corners; 3, St. Pat's scallop squash; 4, zucchini; 5, mixed herbs; 6, Brussels sprouts; 7, cauliflower; 8, perennial rhubarb and, 9, asparagus from 'old garden, bordered at times by beans; 10, broccoli; 11, eggplant; 12, red cabbage; 13, cabbage; 14, celery; 15, lima beans; 16 , peppers; 17 , string beans; 18 , onions; 19, salsify; 20 , spinach; 21 , mixed lettuce; 22, carrots; 23, radishes. Paths are 2 feet wide.

## Everything in the carpet garden is automated but the harvest"



gROTMA

George and Fran Numrich's "lazy garden" required hard thinking if not hard work. "You'll have your carpet and its holes maybe ten years, so plan it on paper first. Roll out the carpet and weight it down. It takes a while to flatten and become one with the earth. We just leave the rocks there to keep the carpet in place through the winter. Take a soft lead pencil or chalk and mark it to see exactly how your plan works before you cut. Of course I was worried, as most people would be, that the whole thing would be terribly expensive. But if you make it clear to the carpet dealer that you want a 12 -foot roll to cart away, not to have fitted and installed, the cost will be less. We used Armstrong's carpet of polypropylene from the Ensign do-ityourself line, less than \$3 a square yard. Our first carpet garden paid for itself the first year, figuring $\$ 2$ an hour for weeding we didn't do. It also survived our upstate New York winter and was ready for planting weeks earlier than other gardens here. For the second year's planting you put an L-rod attachment in the hand drill, give each hole a few turns to break up the soil, and pop a seed in." Carpet was put on second garden area, left, Memorial Day and by mid-July the crop, right, was feeding the family. "Carpet gives vegetables the old zap. Our eggplant yield is about twenty-five per bush. Fran made a lot of ratatouille, plus pickles and relish. Carpet gardens get very few insects. Why, I cannot say unless most insects live or rest in the ground, and newcomers can't get down and residents can't get up." Since saving time is what started it all, the Numriches have automated everything but the picking in this garden. "We put a Rainbird sprinkler in the asparagus bed, right, top. We connected it to the water faucet with freezeproof plastic pipes. It's controlled by a Tork time clock to water the whole garden early every morning, unless we have heavy rains. We also fertilize automatically. Every three weeks we mix up some Miracle-Gro in a pail. A simple device called Syphonex screws on standard hose threads between the faucet and outgoing hose. A tube picks up the soluble fertilizer in the pail and sends it out. I see no reason why the carpet idea would not be just as fine for flowers that don't seed or spread much. Experiment!"


BEAUTIFUL BUFFETS FOR


The ending year, the holidays coming up bring an urge to gather one's friends around and entertain, with style and lavish hand. Do it. High food costs or small dining areas should discourage no one. Any room in the house can be arranged for eating-and made to look as though it hardly had another purpose. There is extraordinary festivity in some very inexpensive foods. And easy service, whether the meal is sit-down or stand-around, merely means a well-appointed buffet, itself a beautiful thing, a momentary still life of shining crystal, china, and silver to highlight the glowing colors of flowers, fabric, and beautifully prepared food. Menus and recipes on the next eight pages are from House \& Garden's Party Menu Cookbook, a chapter of which appears on page 128.

## Do bring them for <br> Sunday lunch - we're all longing to meet them"



Last minute additions are easy when you have a large dining room. This one seats twelve comfortably at two round tables. Subtle pinks and browns dominate the room: a durrie rug from Kashmir on a grass matting-covered floor, a table swathed in peach, even rosy antique Persian gourd vases on the antique pine mantel help to soothe diners to a reflective calm. The lunch is gloriously laid out, left. Under the vibrant colors of late autumn flowers, a giant clam shell filled with crab. In season, near a seashore, crab need not be expensive-but if it is, just substitute another seafood. Furniture from White's Lorraine IV collection; chairs upholstered in custom fabric from Castlebury-Held; peach batik from China Seas; rug from Rosecore; mantel from Edwin Jackson. The room was designed by John Rosselli.

## CRAB MEAT IN

HERBED MAYONNAISE SORREL FRITTATA HEARTS OF BIBB LETTUCE WITH FRENCH DRESSING ASSORTED BREADS LEMON CREAM BUTTER COOKIES CALIFORNIA CHABLIS RECIPES BEGIN ON PAGE 128


An antique Persian rabbit in bronze, above, oversees the strawberry-topped lemon cream dessert. Dinnerware is Royal Worcester's "Astley"; flatware is Oneida's sterling "Venetian Scroll"; crystal by Fostoria, right, is "Sentimental." Shopping information, see page 237. beadle


BIG PARTIES WITH LITTLE PRICE TAGS

## Of course, we have room for everyone to sit down, we'll just do a little rearranging'

Why not move the party out of the dining room, spread it through every room of the house or apartment? Greenery, basketry, right, make lunch summery even when cold winds blow outside a garden room where the furniture is in bloom year round and a red and white dhurrie rug warms the floor. The library table is pulled out to become a buffet; guests gather to eat at a card table topped with a huge round of plywood. Dan Carithers of Rich's, Atlanta, designed the room. Below: Geraldine Fabrikant, a free-lance writer who likes to entertain, uses every room in her small apartment when she gives a party, imaginatively turns her tiny bedroom into a serving center for a light Sunday lunch. Friends pick up their plates from a table topped with simulated malachite, their napkins from Miss Fabrikant's letterbox, and their food from a spacesaving étagère where it looks lovely enough to be preserved in porcelain before they move on to the living room, which is arranged for companionable eating. Robert Denning of Denning and Fourcade is the designer. On the buffet: "Mandarin" plates in Mason's Ironstone imported by Royal Doulton, Lunt's "Eloquence" sterling flatware and "Eileen" Waterford crystal. Napkins are made of cotton from India by Far Eastern Fabrics. baked sole
EGYPTIAN STUFFED
PIMIENTO
BOSTON LETTUCE WITH
ROQUEFORT DRESSING HOT ROLLS
LEMON SHERBET
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1. VANDERMINT CHOCOLATE CHEESE PIE: Cream $3 / 4$ cup Vandermint, 8 oz. cream cheese. Add $1 / 2$ cup milk, 1 pkg. (4-1/2 oz.) instant chocolate pudding; beat smooth. Spoon into $8^{\circ}$ chocolate crumb crust: $1-1 / 4$ cup chocolate snap crumbs; $1 / 3$ cup soft butter. 2. VANDERMIST: Pour 2 oz . Vandermint over crushed ice in champagne glass. 3. VANDERMINT ALEXANDER: Shake 1 oz . Vandermint, 1 oz . gin and 1 oz . cream with cracked ice. Strain into cocktail glass. 4. VANDERMINT \& ICE CREAM: Pile scoop of ice cream into dessert dish. Top with Vandermint. 5.VANDERMINT\& VODKA (V\&V) Pour 1 part Vandermint and 2 parts vodka over
cubes in a "rocks" glass. 6. VANDERMINT PARFAIT: Alternate Vandermint and scoops of pistachio, chocolate, coffee ice cream in parfait glass. Top with whipped cream, splash Vandermint. 7. VANDERMINT MOUSSE: Mix in blender 6 oz . semi-sweet chocolate pieces, $1 / 2$ cup Vandermint. Blend. Add $1 / 4 \mathrm{lb}$. soft butter (in pieces), 4 egg yolks. Blend. Beat 4 egg whites, 2 Tbsps. confectioners sugar till stiff. Fold into Vandermint mixture. Pour into dish lined with Vandermint-dipped ladyfingers. Chill. 8.vandermint fondue: Melt 6 oz . semi-sweet chocolate pieces. Stir in 1 cup sour cream, 1/2 cup Vandermint. Serve warm. Dip strawberries, cookies. 9. DUTCH COFFEE: Pour jigger of Vandermint into a cup. Add hot coffee and top off with whipped cream. 10. VANDERMINT STRAIGHT.
2. 

## thoughts for the hostess

supper. Equally pleasurable was another supper with a few friends -a little triumph of clam-lobster bisque, a great dry sherry, special toasts, black coffee. A surprisingly low-keyed treat is a vegetable dinner carefully chosen for taste, texture, and color-broiled mushrooms, lots of them; tomatoes filled with sour-creamed spinach; potatoes Anna; sugar-glazed carrots; and parsnips. With this, salt sticks for crunch, and for flavor, shakers of ground black pepper, seasoned salt, toasted sesame seeds.

A quiet, composed table setting sets a soothing mood for this time of anticipation. Think muted tones; color will come on strong later. Certainly one of the best ways to show off fine silverware is to provide a noncompetitive background. And one of the nicest to show off is Towle's "Mandarin," a simple, slender bamboo pattern, compatible with almost any period but special on its own and so satisfactory to handle.

Light, symbolized through living flame (lighted wicks in oil, candles), is typical of so many festivals worldwide. The great Hindu feast of Diwali means a row of lights. Hanukkah is a festival of light. Advent has its candle wreath. Candlelight casts such a gentle glow, it is perfect for this period of deliberate, quiet preparation. Welcome your family and friends at night with candles everywhere. Listen to music by candlelight. Use up candle ends by standing a lot of them in a sand-filled metal tray or shallow dish, a small forest of lights for a table or hearth. Where feasible, use live light, and don't be afraid of all kinds of candles, colored flames in the fireplace, subtle incense, oil lamps-all helping to create an atmosphere that calms and gives time for reflection.

Another pleasurable Advent evening might be a pre-Christmas carol sing. Don't confine yourself necessarily to the usual noël favorites. There are many superb Advent hymns and carols. The great antiphonal "Os," for example. "Oh Come, Oh Come Emmanuel," or "Sleepers Wake," or "Lo! How a Rose Ere Blooming." For copies of the carols, the Episcopal Hymnal, the Cambridge Carol book, S.P.C.K., or the Oxford Book of Carols are excellent. For refreshments between carols, set a sizable, lighted wreath on a dining table groaning with an international assortment of cookies and cakes. Proffer a punch bowl of mulled cider or cranberry juice and rum, plus a pot of steaming hot rich chocolate.

BIG PARTIES WITH LITTLE PRICE TAGS "Everybody's coming over for

## dinner after the game

In the living room, in the kitchen, in what was the butler's pantry, right, long tables covered in bright green cloth are set up so people pink-cheeked from the cold can sit down to a hearty French version of sauerkraut and sausage. Langdon Gaiser designed the room and Ronaldo Maia designed the table, with Denby's new "Meadowbank" Limoges china, Towle's new "Grand Duchess" sterling flatware, Lalique's "Blois" stemware. For shopping information, see page 236.

## *houcroute garnie

boiled potatoes
*PEARS OR apples stuffed with roquefort cream alsatian riesling or beer
*recipes begin on page 128


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# 20 fresh ideas for food to serve with drinks 

## Mastering the art of the hors d'oeuvre is mastering the art of being just a little different. It's laying out

 on arrangement to pique the imagination and please the eye-that still is easy to manage with a glass in pne hand and a conversation on the other. It is the traditionall morsel turmed new ways, like a caviar made of mushrooms. It's something that's usually a first course, like broiled scallops. ©re perhaps for large cocktail party, it's the main course, the roast sliced paper thin and served from the buffet.ere are 20 nicely different wavs for food with drinks from Private Collections: A Culinary Treasury, a new cookbook dited by Janet E. C. Wurtzburger in colaboration with Mac K. Griswold, assembled y the Women's Committee of the Walters Art Fallery-which is a private collection of art asembled by William and Henry Walters and iven to the city of Baltimore along with the talian palace they built to house it. Private Eollections will be sold to help support the nuseum, part of a long American tradition of ookbooks gathered together to benefit worthy auses.

## MARINATED OLIVES

ngredients: 1 jar ( 9 ounces) large green lives, $1 / 4$ cup red wine vinegar, $1 / 4$ cup salad oil, - teaspoon crushed red pepper, 1 clove garlic, ninced, $11 / 4$ cup chopped onion, 1 teaspoon orekano.
Method: Into a quart jar with a tight-fitting lid put olives, vinegar, salad oil. Add red pepper, arlic, onion, and oregano and shake well and igorously, every so often. Refrigerate the marnated olives for several days or weeks. Mrs. Zurran W. Harvey.

Marimated mushrooms might go well vith the olives. The spreads that follow are natural companions for cheese.

## MUSHROOM CAVIAR

ngredients: $1 / 2$ medium onion, minced; 1 tablepoon butter; $1 / 4$ pound fresh mushrooms, hopped fine; 1 tablespoon lemon juice; 1/2 easpoon Worcestershire sauce; mayonnaise (enough to bind); salt and freshly ground epper.
Method: In a small frying pan sauté the onion n butter until golden. Add the mushrooms and auté for 5 minutes, stirring lightly to mix well. Add lemon juice and Worcestershire sauce to nixture and mix again, and remove from the tove. Cool. Add enough mayonnaise to bind end salt and pepper to taste. Mound on a servng plate. Chill well and serve with Melba toast and any bland cracker. This keeps well in the efrigerator. Mrs. W. Wright.

## ALMOND CHUTNEY SPREAD

 ngredients: 2 tablespoons butter; 1 cup alnonds, chopped; Tabasco sauce; 3 tablespoons Major Grey's chutney, chopped.Method: Melt the butter in a frying pan over ow heat and slowly brown the chopped almonds. Add 2 or 3 drops of Tabasco sauce to the chopped chutney and mix thoroughly with he nuts. Serve the spread on slices of Melba
toast made from icebox rye bread. Frank D'Amanda.

A surprise alternative to potato chips, these crackling skins.

## POTATO-SKIN HORS D'OEUVRE

Ingredients: Baked-potato skins in strips, butter, salt.
Method: Preheat oven to $450^{\circ}$. Cut bakedpotato skins in strips, butter and salt them, and bake in a hot oven until crisp. Use the potato insides for mashed potatoes or potato cakes. Mrs. Peter Dane.

Green and white Brussels sprouts, crunchy brown cheese balls amdl eroquettes, all to be eaten with toothpieks: how about adding some melon balls or tiny baby carrots for a color and texture complement?

## BRUSSELS SPROUTS

Ingredients: Brussels sprouts, Roquefort cheese, cream cheese.
Method: Parboil Brussels sprouts until tendercrisp. Cool quickly in ice water. Drain and stuff with a mixture of Roquefort and cream cheese. Robert Milch.

## DEEP-FRIED CHEESE BALLS

Ingredients: 3 egg whites, 2 cups grated sharp cheese, salt and red pepper to taste, cracker crumbs, deep fat for frying.
Method: Beat the egg whites stiffly in a large bowl. Add the grated sharp cheese and blend until smooth, then add salt and red pepper. Roll into small bite-sized balls, roll in freshly rolled fine cracker crumbs, and fry in deep fat until brown. Serve hot. Mrs. Keith McBee. MUSHROOM CROQUETTES
Ingredients: 1 pound mushrooms, wiped clean; 12 spring onions, chopped; 2 tablespoons butter; salt and pepper; $1 / 4$ cup sherry; 2 heaping tablespoons butter; 3 rounded tablespoons flour; $z^{2}$ cup soup stock; ${ }_{4}^{3}$ cup milk; 3 egg yolks; ${ }^{1 / 2}$ cup parsley, minced; fine cracker crumbs; 1 egg; 1 tablespoon water.
Method: Grind the mushrooms, using the very finest blade. In a large saucepan fry the spring onions in 2 tablespoons butter until they are soft and yellow; add the mushrooms and cook them together for a few minutes. Season with salt and pepper and moisten with sherry. Simmer the mixture until most of the sherry has been absorbed. In a separate saucepan make a sauce by melting 2 tablespoons butter with 3 tablespoons flour. Cook until the flour is blended, stirring constantly. Gradually pour
in the soup stock and milk and cook until it is quite thick. Remove from the fire and beat in the egg yolks and parsley. Combine the sauce with the mushroom mixture and return to the fire. Stir it constantly until it is thoroughly heated but do not allow it to boil. Spread the mixture out on a shallow buttered dish and when it is cool place it in refrigerator until firm.

Form mixture into croquettes, roll them in fine cracker crumbs, and dip each one in egg which has been beaten with water. Roll them in crumbs again and let stand for about 10 minutes until the crumbs adhere to the croquettes. Drop a few at a time in hot, but not smoking fat, and fry them to a golden brown. This is also very good as a filling. Serves 4-6. Mrs. Joseph Turenne Brennan.
Two variations on themes, popovers and drumsticks, these two recipes have something all their own-and they go well together.

## INDIAN PUFFS

Ingredients: $\%$ cup water-ground cornmeal, 1 cup hot milk, 3 eggs, well beaten, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt.
Method: Preheat oven to $400^{\circ}$. In a large bowl stir the cornmeal into the hot milk until it thickens. Add the beaten eggs and the salt. Fill greased popover pans $\%$ full and bake for 30 minutes. Serve immediately. The "puffs" resemble a popover, but are also something like crisp spoon bread. They are good served with roast beef instead of Yorkshire pudding.

A friend found the recipe in an old trunk in the loft of a barn. It dates from about 1830 . The original recipe reads: "Take 3 eggs, half a pint of milk, 5 large tablespoons full of Indian meal. Bake them in tea cups in a bake pan." Mrs. Bradford Jacobs.
LITTLE DRUMS OF CHICKEN WINGS Ingredients: 8 chicken wings, 1 egg, $1 / 4$ cup milk, garlic salt, salt and pepper to taste, 1 cup Italian flavored bread crumbs, $1 / 2$ cup flour, 1 teaspoon barbecue spice, $1 / 2$ teaspoon pepper. Method: Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$. Separate the large "drums" from the tip and center of the wings. Beat the egg with the milk, add garlic salt, salt, and pepper. Mix the bread crumbs, flour, barbecue spice and pepper in a shallow dish. Dip the chicken pieces first in the egg mixture, then in the crumbs. Arrange them in a baking dish and bake until golden. Mrs. Calvin Eldred Young.

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# Big parties with little price tags menus and recipes 

editor's note: House \& Garden's Party Menu Cookbook, just published by Simon and Schuster (\$9.95), is a collection of nearly 600 choice recipes, all from House \& Garden, all arranged in easy menu form for breakfast, lunch, dinner, supper, and buffet parties. There are menus for holidays, special occasions, outdoor partieseven those days when calories must be counted. Here is an excerpt written especially by José Wilson who edited the book, and, at a time when the cost of food makes headlines, a timely one.

Who can afford to give a big party in these days of high food prices? Anyone who exercises her imagination and common sense. It is perfectly possible to entertain a large group of people quite inexpensively if you keep to good, simple food.
Think in terms of chicken, turkey, hamburger, sausages, eggs and cheese, less costly meat cuts that can be boned and stuffed, and then look for interesting and appetizing ways to prepare them. The cuisines of the world offer hundreds of dishes that stretch the protein part of the menu with inexpensive ingredients such as dried beans, lentils and chick peas, root vegetables, pasta, rice, sauerkraut, or any of the other many valuable extenders. Explore your collection of foreign cookbooks for new ideas -or find them closer to home. An excellent chili can be the best of all buffet dishes.

## EQUIPMENT

Cooking in quantity is easier if you have one or two really big pots, such as an 8-quart casserole or a large stock pot, and a couple of large baking dishes. Remember, though, that big pots need big burners in order to cook properly, and that one oven can only accommodate two large baking dishes, so when you plan your menu, make sure that only one thing has to be baked or you'll find yourself desperately juggling times and temperatures. Lastly, if you want to keep cool and relaxed, choose dishes that can be done well ahead of time and chilled or reheated or left alone to simmer in their own good time.

SUNDAY BRUNCH FOR 16 OR MORE Bloody Mary Soup with Parmesan Cheese Straws<br>Roulades: Salmon, Curried Chicken, Creamed Mushroom Compote of Figs and Green Grapes<br>The Wine: Carafes of California Chablis

roulades, which are actually nothing more than soufflés, baked flat, filled, and rolled, make marvelously economical and easy standbys for brunch parties, because you can vary them with any number of fillings. Unlike soufflés, they are not têmperamental about timing. They can be made in advance and reheated (put them on a platter, loosely covered with foil, over simmering water). Two slices of roulade make a very satisfying serving, depending on the richness of the filling. The basic roulade mixture is enough for two rolls, each of which yields about 12 slices, so make as many as you need for your guest list, plus the filling or fillings you prefer. They should be baked no more than two at a time, either side by side in the middle of the oven or on two racks, with the pans staggered so the mixture bakes evenly.

BLOODY MARY SOUP
Simply heat a spicy canned Bloody Mary mix, adding any other seasonings you like, such as celery salt, seasoned pepper, plus a good squeeze of lemon juice. Allow 1 cup per serving. Serve in cups,
with a wire whisk, stirring constantly so the sauce does not lump. Return to heat and cook, stirring, until thick. Mix in the salt, pepper, cognac, sour cream, and egg yolks, lightly beaten.

Preheat oven to $325^{\circ}$. Butter 2 10-by-15-by-1-inch-deep jelly roll pans, line with wax paper, leaving a couple of inches overhang at each end, butter the paper well.
Beat the egg whites until they stand in soft peaks, as for a souffé. Fold about $1 / 3$ into the sauce mixture, incorporating it completely, then lightly fold in the remainder of the egg whites. Divide mixture between the 2 prepared pans, spreading it evenly with a rubber spatula. Bake 40 minutes, or until golden on top.
Meanwhile, make chosen filling or fillings. When the roll is baked, remove from the oven and invert the pan onto a large sheet of wax paper. Loosen the paper from the pan, then peel it from the roll. Some of the surface may stick, but that doesn't matter as this side will be covered with filling, Loosen paper gently with the point of a paring knife at places where it sticks. Trim edges of roll with a large knife. Spread the uncovered surface of the roll with the filling, using a rubber spatula. Use the long side of the wax paper to roll up the roulade, like a jelly roll, and to transfer it to a heated platter. SALMON FILLING
Ingredients: 2 cups cooked or canned salmon, flaked; $1 / 2$ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg; salt; fresh-
> "....to keep cool and relaxed, choose dishes that can be done ahead and chilled or reheated"
spiked with vodka, and float a thin slice of lemon on top.

BASIC ROULADE
Ingredients: 8 tablespoons butter; 1 cup flour; 4 cups milk, heated; 2 teaspoons salt; $/ 4$ teaspoon cayenne pepper; 2 tablespoons cognac; 2 tablespoons sour cream; 8 eggs, separated.
Method: Melt the butter in a large saucepan and blend in the flour over low heat. Cook, stirring, until golden and bubbly. Remove from heat and gradually stir in the milk
ly ground black pepper; 2 tablespoons lemon juice; 2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill; 2 cups sour cream; 4-ounce jar red caviar. Method: In a large bowl season the salmon with the nutmeg, salt and pepper to taste, lemon juice, and dill. Mix in enough sour cream to give a consistency soft enough to spread evenly. This makes enough filling for 2 roulades.
Serve the roulade in slices, each topped with 1 tablespoon sour cream and $1 / 2$ teaspoon red caviar.

CURRIED CHICKEN FILLING Ingredients: 6 tablespoons butte 1 tablespoon curry powder; tablespoons flour; $1^{1 / 2}$ cups $h$ chicken stock; salt; about $1 / 8$ te spoon cayenne pepper; 1 tabl spoon lemon juice; $\not \approx$ cup yoghu $1 / 2$ cup chutney, finely minced; cups slivered cooked white me chicken.
Method: Melt the butter in saucepan, stir in the curry powd and cook, stirring, for 2 minute Mix in the flour and cook over m dium heat until bubbly. Gradual whisk in the hot chicken stoc season to taste with salt and cay enne pepper and cook over med um heat until thick. Mix in th lemon juice, yoghurt, chutney, an chicken and just heat through; not let the mixture boil after th yoghurt is added. This make enough filling for 2 roulades. Us any excess as a sauce.
CREAMED MUSHROOM FILLING Ingredients: 12 tablespoons bu ter; 1 pound mushrooms, sliced; tablespoon lemon juice; salt; fresl ly ground black pepper; 6 tabl spoons flour; $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cups milk, heate 1 cup heavy cream; $1 / 2$ cup parsle chopped.
Method: Melt 6 tablespoons bu ter in a heavy skillet, add mus rooms and sauté quickly, sprii kling them with the lemon juic salt and pepper to taste. Kee warm while making the sauce.

Melt the remaining butter in saucepan, blend in the flour an cook over medium heat, stirrin until bubbly and golden. Whis in the hot milk, whisking constan ly so sauce does not lump, the cook over medium heat, stirring until thick. Season to taste wit salt and pepper and mix in th heavy cream and parsley. Stir the sautéed mushrooms and ju heat through. This makes enoug filling for 2 roulades. Use any e cess as a sauce.

COMPOTE OF FIGS AND GREEN GRAPES
Ingredients: 4 1-pound, 1-ounc jars whole figs in heavy syrup, pounds seedless green grapes, cup Strega (Italian liqueur), tablespoons grated lemon zest. Method: Drain figs, pouring syru into a quart measuring cup. Com bine figs and grapes in 1 or 2 larg
crystal bowls. Measure enough of the syrup to just cover the fruit, combine with the Strega and 3 ablespoons lemon zest and pour jver fruit. Chill well before servng, then sprinkle remaining lemon zest over the fruit. Increase quantities proportionately accordng to number of guests.

## A SIMPLE ITALIAN LUNCHEON

 FOR 24Chicken Ceci
Green Salad with Sliced,
Anchovy-stuffed Olives Artichoke Hearts
French Bread Coffee Ricotta

## The Wine: Lightly Chilled

 ValpolicellaI. he great merit of the main dish is that it combines relatively inexpensive chicken with chick peas and vegetables, so liminating the need for a green ind a starchy vegetable. All you heed apart from this is a plain green salad, which you can make nore interesting in texture and lavor by adding sliced anchovytuffed olives and drained canned urtichoke hearts or marinated artithoke hearts. The chick pea mixure has to marinate overnight, so ou will need two large pottery or tainless steel bowls, and two or
three large baking dishes for the cooking. Boned chicken breasts are easiest to eat, and most delicate, but you could also use the less expensive legs and thighs, increasing the cooking time by fifteen minutes.

## CHICKEN CECI

Ingredients: 12 ribs celery, with leaves, diced; 3 large red Italian onions, diced; 6 1-pound cans chick peas, drained and rinsed; 1 pound baked ham, diced; 2 pepperoni sausages, skinned and diced; 2 cups salad oil; 12 tablespoons red wine vinegar; 3 teaspoons Italian herb seasoning; salt; freshly ground black pepper to taste; 24 chicken breasts, skinned and boned; chicken stock. Method: In a large bowl mix together the celery, onion, chick peas, ham and pepperoni, combining thoroughly. In a separate bowl, blend the oil, vinegar, and Italian herb seasoning with salt and pepper, as for a salad dressing, and pour this over chick pea mixture, tossing well. Let marinate overnight in the refrigerator.

Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$. Arrange the boned chicken breasts in a single layer in 3 large baking dishes and cover them completely with the chick pea mixture, including the dressing. Bake for 45
to 50 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through, but still moist. Do not overcook. If the mixture seems to get dry during the baking, baste with a little chicken stock.

## COFFEE RICOTTA

Ingredients: 4 1-pound containers fresh ricotta cheese or creamed cottage cheese, $3_{4}^{2}-1$ cup sugar, $12-2$ cups heavy cream, $y_{4}^{3}$ cup coffeeflavored liqueur (Kahlua, Tia Maria), 1 cup pulverized darkroasted Turkish coffee.
Method: If you use ricotta, beat it with an electric beater until fluffy, or put it through a fine sieve or food mill. If you use cottage cheese, which has a heavier texture, put it through a food mill.
For ricotta, you will need only $1 / 2$ cup heavy cream. For cottage cheese, you may need up to 2 cups to give a light, creamy consistency. If obtainable, the fresh Italian ricotta is preferable as the texture is lighter, fluffier, and richer, but cottage cheese makes a perfectly good substitute. In a large bowl put the sieved ricotta or cottage cheese and mix in the sugar, cream, liqueur and powdered coffee; don't add all the sugar at once, the amount you need depends on your taste and the sweetness of the liqueur you use. Blend
thoroughly, beating until light, creamy, and well mixed.

As this is a rich, though light dessert, allow about $\frac{1}{3}$ cup per serving. Put servings in pots de crème, tiny ramekins or other small dessert cups (Japanese or Chinese tea cups are good). Chill for 2 to 3 hours. To serve, pop a coffee bean candy on top of each, accompany with erisp plain wafers. note: While it is possible to use instant espresso for this dessert, the Turkish coffee is best as it is completely pulverized and so blends in well, and has a good rich round flavor, not too bitter. It can be ordered from the House of Yemen East, 370 Third Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016 or bought in Middle Eastern food stores.

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Bright and beautiful as animals on a circus parade, the cookies Mrs. Eugene Kennedy makes, and her friends look forward to every year for Christmas. Cookie cutters she inherited from her grandmother started her cookie baking and she's always adding new shapes to the collection. "I love having lots of different sizes-a tiny bird or duck that will just fit an extra little bit of dough." She rolls gingerbread or sugar cookie dough very thin to cut her people and animals, and glazes them when baked with sugar icing in delicious pastels. Then the fun begins as she pipes icing through a pastry bag to make faces, manes, stripes, and bows. "You have to practice with different tubes to see what you can do with them. It helps to use a bag with a tube holder so you can change tubes without changing the bag. I find the No. 3 tube good for plain lines and squiggles, 42 does a nice stripe, 89 double stripes, 33 does a beautiful star, and I use 67 for leaves, bows, manes, collars, tails, ruffles. 4 makes good eyes and mouths, but I love cinnamon red-hots for animals eyes." Mrs. Kennedy packs her cookies for giving in baskets picked up throughout the year, padding them with bright red tissue and separating cookies with white paper doilies.



To make your own Christmas cookies, cut out or trace these shapes, drawn actual size, from some of Mrs. Kennedy's antique cutters or, she suggests, "look for cutters in antique shops and kitchen stores like Paprikas Weiss and Lekvar-by-the-Barrel in New York. I space my cookie making out over several evenings, one to make the dough and refrigerate it overnight, another to cut out, bake, cool, and store in covered tins, a third for icing, and a fourth for packing. If I made more cookies, I'd need more evenings." GINGERBREAD COOKIES Ingredients: 1 cup butter or margarine; 1 cup sugar; $1 / 2$ teaspoon salt; 2 eggs; 1 cup molasses; 2 tablespoons vinegar; 6 cups flour; $11 / 2$ teaspoons baking soda; 4 teaspoons powdered ginger; 1 teaspoon cinnamon.
Method: In a large bowl cream together butter or margarine, sugar, and salt. Stir in eggs, molasses, and vinegar. In a separate bowl sift together flour, baking
soda, ginger, and cinnamon. Add dry ingredients to molasses mixture gradually and mix well. Chill 3-4 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to $375^{\circ}$. Roll dough to about $\frac{1 / 8}{8}$ inch thickness. Cut out shapes. Bake about 8 minutes on lightly greased cookie sheet. Makes about 8 dozen small cookies.

ROLLED SUGAR COOKIES
Ingredients: 1 cup butter; 1½ cups sugar; 2 eggs; 3 teaspoons vanilla; 3 cups flour; 2 teaspoons baking powder; $1 / 2$ teaspoon salt. Method: In a large bowl cream together butter and sugar and add eggs and vanilla. In a separate bowl, sift together flowr, baking powder, and salt. Stir dry ingredients into creamed mixture and mix thoroughly. Chill dough at least 1 hour or overnight.

Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$. Roll dough out very thinly on canvas pastry sheet, marble, or floured surface. Bake on lightly greased cookie sheet about 6-8 minutes depending on softness or crispness desired. Makes about 10 dozen small cookies.

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Ingredients: /1/ pound softened or melted butter; 2 pounds sifted confectioners sugar; 2-3 tablespoons vanilla; milk or light cream; food coloring.
Method: Add confectioners sugar to butter in a bowl and stir, adding vanilla and a little milk or cream to make smooth consis-
tency. Mixture should be fa ly stiff for pastry bags so th frosting will hold its shap but thin enough to squee easily through tubes. Ti small portions of icing wi food coloring (the box te you how to make specific c ors) and put each color in a separate pastry bag for de orating cookies. For solid ing to cover entire surface cookie, tint and put each col in a separate bowl. Add 2 3 drops of hot water to bo and stir until icing has go spreading consistency will coat surface of coo smoothly. A butter knife (o for each bowl) makes a go spreader. Icing will dry if not constantly in use so ad a little hot water and stir w before each color is used. 6-8 cookies at a time. As y finish the eighth, the first w be ready for decorating w pastry bag and tube. Do decorate immediately, it w be too messy. Store icing refrigerator when not in us opposite page: Mrs. Kemne glazes and decorates her Christmas cookies on a long table set up with bowls of tinted icing, icing-filled past bags, and a selection of tube Finished cookies dry overnight, then are packed $i$ baskets to make delicious presents, almost too pretty to eat.

Cookie shapes, ABove: duplicate some of Mrs. Kennedy's favorite cutters. To use:
Trace or cut out, transfer shapes to stiff cardboard, cut out. Lay shapes on dough and cut around them with a sharp pointed knife.


# Delicious new California wines you'll want to try 

We have all played that desert-island game-if, marooned, you were limited to just one companion, one book, one composer, one type of food, what would be your choice? In all honesty, I couldn't say. On the other hand, should I ever have to limit myself to the wines of just one region of the world, I wouldn't hesitate for a minute. California, every time.
Nowhere else can you find within one geographic area such a diversity of wine grapes-around 130 varieties of the Vitis vinifera-and such a wealth of wines to drink, in every price range. You can have Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and Sauvignon Blanc, the noble grape varieties of Burgundy and Bordeaux; the Riesling, Sylvaner, Gewürztraminer from which are made fruity, flowery white wines like those of Germany and Alsace;
the rough, gutsy Barbera and lighter Grignolino of Italy. There are the uniquely California wines like Zinfandel which, according to how it is made and aged, can be a delightfully crisp, sprightly young wine or one with a full flavor and bouquet, and the specially developed hybrids-Emerald Riesling, Flora, Ruby Cabernet. In yet another category are the special proprietary wines to which the makers have given names all their own-Paul Masson's Rubion and Baroque, Beringer's Barenblut, Almadén's Grenoir Original, The Christian Brothers's Château La Salle-and the vast number of generically named, inexpensive blended jug wines, the Mountain Whites and Reds, the Chablis, Burgundy, Claret, Sauterne, and Rhine Wines in gallons and halfgallons put out by the major wineries such as Almadén, Paul Masson, Inglenook, The Christian


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Brothers, Louis M. Martini, Charles Krug, Beringer, Korbel, Gallo, Italian-Swiss Colony, and many, many more. Should you want a fino sherry, bone-dry as those of Jerez, a mellow mature port, or a delicately sweet dessert wine, California makes that, too. The reason for this fantastic diversity can be summed up in one word-climate. From the North Coast counties spread around San Francisco to east of Los Angeles, California's climate encompasses those of the major wine-growing areas of Europe, from the coolness of Burgundy or the Rhine to the dry, baking heat of Spain. Years of research and experiment have proved that for every wine grape there is an ideal climate, or climatic range, and California seems to have been blessed in combining them all. Leading oenologists at the University of California's wine school at Davis have classified the wine districts of California into five distinct climatic zones, based on the total number of degree days from the beginning of April to the end of October. Degree days, which TV weathermen are apt to talk about, are calculated by taking 50 degrees as a mean temperature and considering every degree over this a degree day. If the temperature reaches 70 degrees for five days, you have a total of 100 degree days.

On this scale, California ranges from a cool region I, with 2,500 or fewer degree days, to Regions

## by José Wilso

Pinot Chardonnay, and Johann berg Riesling, shot up, and leading wineries began replanti or extending their acreage to d tricts newly discovered to be vorable to these temperamen aristocrats, which ne -1 just $t$ right ratio of sun and coolness enable them to reach their full p tential, a delicate balance of aci ity and sugar. One such area Carneros, at the lower end of t Napa Valley and the northern ed of San Francisco Bay, a cool R gion I, where ocean-borne breez and fogs throw a protective bla ket over the vines in the late afte noon. Many Napa vintners fe that if California produces a gre Pinot Noir, it will probably grown here. Pinot Noir has som how never reached the heights excellence attained by Cabern Sauvignon, generally regarded California's leading red wine. fact, rather than taking a chanc on a Pinot Noir that you don know and like, I think you are be ter off buying a less expensi aged Zinfandel or Petite Siral Ever since I tasted the Petite Sira of Concannon and Mirassou, have been sold on this dar purplish-red wine, which at its be can have great tannin, body, an longevity.

As grape prices for the four lead ing varietals continue to soar, th wineries are making more of th lesser-known varietals, or new ve sions of old favorites, which give the enlightened and adventurou

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IV and V, with from 3,500 to over 4,000 degree days-where the lesser table grapes that bear heavily and are blended in inexpensive jug wines and grapes with the very high sugar content needed for sherry and port all flourish.

The recent spectacular growth of the old California wine industry started in the 1960s when American wine drinkers, becoming more knowledgeable about grapes and their characteristics, started to buy more of the wines labeled with the varietal name of the grape. Demand for the four top varietals, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir,
wine drinker an even greater fiel of exploration.

Some red wines to look out fo are Barbera and Grignolino, Ingle nook's Charbono, The Christiar Brothers's Pinot St. George, and Carignane or Carignan (as the grape is spelled in its native south ern France). Carignane is some thing of a Cinderella amons grapes. Widely grown in the ho San Joaquin Valley as a blending wine (and also crossed with the Cabernet for Ruby Cabernet, th red hybrid developed at Davis) it was regarded as useful, hardy

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 and prolific, but undistinguished. However, when raised in the cool Napa-Sonoma region and properly vinified, it metamorphoses into a soft, fruity wine with the ripe roundness of a Beaujolais Brouilly, and is now being bottled as a varietal by Simi and Ridge. Another blending grape with a future is Merlot, the grape used in Bordeaux and California to soften the Cabernet. So far the only winery to make a varietal of Merlot is Sterling Vineyards in the Napa Valley, but there may be followers. Recently, Almadén put on the market a new, light, refreshing red wine, the kind you could serve chilled on a hot summer day, like a Beaujolais, called Grenoir Original from the Grenache or Grenache Noir grape that makes their best-selling Grenache Rosé.After Chardonnay and Johannisberg Riesling, the big white hopes are Pinot Blanc, a white wine grape of Burgundy; Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon, the grapes of the Graves and Sauternes of Bordeaux; Chenin Blanc, a Loire grape, and Gewürztraminer, the "spicy" Traminer of Alsace.

In the hands of a skilled winemaker, Pinot Blanc can be a big, fruity, mouth-filling wine, almost on a par with Chardonnay. Chenin Blanc, also bottled as White Pinot (although it is not a Pinot grape) and Pineau de la Loire, is perhaps the most popular and plentiful of the California whites (much of it goes into the Chablis blends, and into champagnes). The standard version, soft and rather sweet, apparently appeals to the public taste, though it has never particularly appealed to me, but when fermented to dryness and aged in oak, as it is by Chalone, Chappellet, and Souverain (who call their Chenin Blanc, Pineau Souverain) it becomes a very different and much more elegant wine, with good acidity, full, fresh, and fruity.

There are so many versions of Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon that it is almost impossible to tell by the label exactly what you are getting. The very sweetest, like Haut Sauternes, dessert wines, are usually prefaced by the word "sweet," or given a chatteau designation by the winery-Château Beaulieu, Château Concannon, Château Masson, Château Sémillon (Wente), but even then the degree of sweetness varies considerably. A varietal Sauvignon Blanc
can run anywhere from fairly sweet to medium-dry or completely dry. Oakville Vineyards, for in stance, ferments its down to zero sugar, whereas Robert Mondavi's Sauvignon Blanc is distinctly sweet. Mondavi's solution was to call his dry Sauvignon Blanc by another name-Fumé Blanc (Blanc Fumé is the name of the grape in the Loire Valley, where it makes Pouilly-Fumé.) Othe wineries are picking up the practice. Beringer has a Fumé Blanc and Almadén a Blanc Fumé.

Gewürztraminer, young and fresh, with a delightfully spicy bouquet and taste, has long been one of my favorite summer wines Gewürztraminers grown by Miras sou, Wente, and Masson in their Monterey County acreage around Soledad in Salinas Valley have been a great success. This summer I tasted Wente's 1972 Gewürz traminer, to be marketed at the end of the year, and found it to be a lovely wine, fragrant and fruity, with a real sense of the grape. Riesling is another white grape that takes to the cool Soledad cli mate, and Wente's Riesling Spätlese (late picking) was another winner, full, beautifully balanced, with a honey-rich bouquet.

There is no question that California offers some of the best val ues you can get for your wine doldar today. A big luscious Chardonnay from one of the small wineries that make a limited quantity of first-rank varietal wine may cost you anywhere up to $\$ 10$, but it will still be less expensive than a comparable white Burgundy. In the middle price range of $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 4$ or $\$ 5$ there are exceedingly good buys in both vintage and nonvintage premium varietals from old-established wineries like Almadén, Beaulieu, Beringer, Buena Vista, Concannon, The Christian Brothers, Inglenook, Charles Krug, Paul Masson, Louis M. Martini, Mirassou, Sebastiani, Wente, and the more recent winery of Robert Mondavi. They have, of course, much greater production and distribution than small wineries such as Chappellet, Chalone, Ridge Heitz, Freemark Abbey, Oakville, Mayacamas, Hanzell, which have to put their wines on allocation, picking one or two stores and restaurants in the major cities of a few selected states. (One of the best ways to try these wines, by the

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## NEW CALIFORNIA WINES

way, if you can't get to California, is to find a restaurant that makes a point of serving them. For example, the Four Seasons, in New York City, has selected 48 different American wines for its cellar, the majority from California.)
At one time, it was almost impossible to buy small-winery wines outside California. They were all sold at the winery, by direct mail to a list of avid customers, or to stores within the state. In California, legally, wine is classed as food and sold in supermarkets and delicatessens as well as wine stores, every day of the week, and the state tax rate is the lowest in the nation, just 1 cent per gallon on table wine. It's hardly surprising that a sixth of the wine produced in California is drunk there. San Francisco alone, with a per capita wine consumption about 30 times the national average, could probably account for all the best wine singlehanded (or mouthed). Whenever I go to San Francisco, Ifeel like Tantalus-surrounded by so much and able to taste just a small part. Fortunately for all wine-lovers in the rest of the country, the small wineries are slowly increasing their production and looking for a larger public-not only to boost sales but also to widen the knowledge and appreciation of their wines, of which they are rightly proud. If you scout around in your nearest large city, you will probably find at least one store that goes in for California wines where you will spot some unfamiliar labels.

The emergence in the last five years or so of new wineries, or old wineries under new management and ownership, is heartening evidence of the continuing trend to individuality and specialization in California wines. Within the vast industry there is a niche for everyone, from the major wineries (which, after all, started small, as the dream of one man or one family, and grew slowly) to the minor.

As they are not big businesses, the small winery owner and his winemaker don't have to consider the demands of distributors for a full line of wines (certain of the major wineries admit that they would like to cut down on their lines and concentrate on the wines they feel they can make best, but they have to pull back slowly). Instead, they can direct all their energies and expertise to perhaps no more than four wines, experiment with different techniques of vinification and, if the money is there (in many cases it is, wineries
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seem to have become the consuming passion of men who have made it in other fields and then been bitten by the wine bug), invest in the most advanced equipment. Secure in the knowledge that their prices can reflect the high quality of their wines, they can establish fairly modest goals-perhaps no more than 12,000 cases a year, which is the aim of Jack Davies of Schramsberg, the champagne President Nixon served in Peking, now one of the most sought-after wines.
Says Mr. Davies, who is in many ways typical of the small winery owner, "We believe that in the wine industry there is a place for small enterprise, but that doesn't allow any sloppiness or reliance on good fortune, you have to work at it. Time is helping us, our vineyards are getting older and every year we learn a few things about fermentation and handling wine."
Champagne, because of the nature of the wine, lends itself to specialization, which Jack Davies sees as a very important part of the future of California winemak-ing-first finding the right place to grow the individual varieties and then taking the trouble to figure out the best vinification for that particular grape, as opposed to red or white grapes in general.
To Bud van Löben Sels, managing director of Oakville Vineyards a new name in the Napa Valley, the two controlling factors in making good wine, a job that demands an enormous amount of attention and dedication, are the time and talents of the winemaker. The same grapes grown in vineyards only 6 miles apart can be completely different, and it can take years for a winemaker to fully acquaint himself with each planting. Oakville's two winemakers, Peter Becker and Karl Werner, are German, and so far the winery has specialized in whites-Sauvignon Blanc, which they see as one of the great grapes of the future, Gewïrztraminer, and Chenin Blanc-with some Gamay and Zinfandel, but with the recent acquisition of the old Inglenook Ranch and vineyards they have added some tremendously fine old Cabernet vines to their acreage.
Everywhere you look in Napa and Sonoma you see new wineries or fine old wineries that have been revitalized by their new owners. Each has a very decided character and style-as do their wines. The old Simi winery in Sonoma, founded in 1876, was bought by Russell Green, a former president of the

Signal Oil Company who started by growing grapes at his summe home strictly for pleasure-"befor the fad," as he puts it-and was in evitably lured into the business. On the upper slopes of Moun Veeder is the highest winery it Napa-Mayacamas, whose 4 acres of terraced vineyards fan ou from the cool, three-story cellar o weathered stone built in 1889. Bo Travers, a young investment bank er who spent six years learnin winemaking, bought the winer from Jack and Mary Taylor and i producing a limited quantity o just four vintage varietals-Char donnay, Cabernet, Chenin Blanc and Zinfandel.

Down in the Valley is Freemar Abbey, another old stone winer getting a new lease on life unde its present proprietors, a group o grape growers headed by Chuc Carpy, whose grandfather cam from Bordeaux. Their aim-to pro duce a limited quantity of the fou top varietals from their very bes grapes-is yet another example o specialization and dedication earn ing its just rewards, for their wines especially the Cabernet, hav been praised by connoisseurs sinc the first vintage, 1967, went on th market.

Modern architecture has bee changing the traditional façade o the Napa Valley ever since the ad vent of Robert Mondavi's innova tive winery, a stunning modern in terpretation of the adobe-and-til Spanish mission style by architec Cliff May. The latest dramatic ad dition is the Sterling Vineyard. winery, a chalk-white, million-dol lar structure resembling a Mediter ranean monastery that sprawl over a 250 -foot-high knoll at the northern end of the Valley. Sterding's varietals, five reds (including the rare Merlot) and four whites are to have no retail sales excep at the winery, so anyone who want. to try them will have to go to Napa and tour the winery, in itself wel worth the trip.

If Sterling suggests a monastery the Chappellet winery on Pritch. ard Hill, a steel pyramid banked with sod to integrate the exterio with the site, is like a wine cathe dral. From the inside, the building is breathtaking, with walls soaring to a glass-enclosed hexagonal tasting room at the peak, where you have a wide-angle view of the Val ley and the Mayacamas mountain range. As functional as it is austerely beautiful, the winery is designed to the last inch for the purpose of making, fermenting, aging, and storing Chappellet's Chardonnay

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Johannisberg Riesling, Chenin Blanc, and Cabernet. The Chenin Blanc, grown on poor mountain soil at the highest point of the vineyards, is an example of how soil conditions affect the grape, seeming to bear out the theory that struggling benefits the vine. The 1971 vintage, picked late and aged in oak, is a big, well-balanced wine with plenty of acidity and freshness, high in alcohol.

There were vineyards on Pritchard Hill back in 1873. Schramsberg Champagne Cellars was founded by a German, Jacob Schram in 1862. Many of the new small wineries are on the sites of 19th-century vineyards. The Germans and Italians who started them followed the custom of their homelands in planting on mountain slopes, a practice that was all but abandoned by later owners who found the problems of cultivation, irrigation, and harvesting easier to deal with in the valley flat land. Today, some of California's most talked-about wines are coming from mountain vineyards.
One of these is Ridge, 2,300 feet up in the Santa Cruz mountains. Ridge's president, David Bennion, originally bought the land with a group of friends as an investment, only to discover that they had also acquired some old vineyards and a rundown winery. In their free time, the families cultivated the vineyards, crushed the grapes, and made a little wine, which turned out much better than they expected. Fired with enthusiasm, they went into business, bonding the winery and produced their first vintage in 1962, later adding the stone Monte Bello winery farther up the mountain, built in 1880 .
Although Ridge's production is now over 25,000 gallons a year and its wine is sold in about fifteen states, the winery remains simple, unpretentious. The old wooden buildings haven't been spruced up, and after phoning ahead for an appointment, you have to find your way, without signs, up the winding Monte Bello Road. Time, energy, and enthusiasm are devoted to just one end-making good wine. Winemaker Paul Draper, who worked in Bordeaux, follows the traditional French methods. The wines are aged in small oak casks and bottled without fining or filtering, so they come out big and heavy, with plenty of character. Apart from Chardonnay and

Riesling, Ridge specializes in reds -Cabernet, Petite Sirah, Gamay, and, most of all, Zinfandel, from grapes grown in different regions and aged accordingly. The plain, all-type label gives the kind of information that is immensely valu-able-not just the vintage, but also the vineyard or region from which the grapes came, the bottling date, the percentage of alcohol, a description of the wine, and a suggestion as to how long it should be held to be at its best.

The tiny, remote Chalone Vineyard, 9 miles above the Salinas Valley, east of Soledad, in the Pinnacles National Park area, is an-
other mountain winery, with a tradition dating back to the early 1900s. Limestone deposits near the surface make the vineyard soil similar to that of the Côte d'Or in Burgundy, and Chalone's president and winemaker, Dick Graff, who left banking for the unpredictable and fascinating world of wine, feels his particular niche is to produce wines in the Burgundian style, the very finest estatebottled Pinot Chardonnay, Pinot Blane, and Pinot Noir.
"In order to be a success and still stay small," says vice-president Phil Woodward, who runs the financial end of the enterprise
while Dick handles the vineyards and winery, "you must have some relative advantage to begin with and ours is the location, the gout de terre in the grapes, and our style of winemaking."
With just 37 producing acres right now, Chalone's superb wines are in very short supply, but given its plans for continued plantings up to a total of 200 acres and the outlook and dedication of the young men in this company (the average age, from directors of the board on down, is thirty-five), there's no doubt that this will be one of the great California wineries of the future.


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## It isn't the taste, it's the aroma

## by Henry McNulty

every now and then, even today, I can be whisked back both in time and space, to China and my childhood, by reminiscent smells. One that does it is a whiff of super-low-octane gas, probably mixed with oil, that immediately calls up a picture of the old boat-bowed Renault taxis in Shanghai as they pooped and polluted their way down Bubbling Well Road. Another is the hot fragrance of sesame-seed cakes that reminds me of those we used to buy from street ovens to feed the huge golden carp in the S-TsLing gardens in my "home town."

And the aroma of spice triggered a fantastic coincidence in my life and led me to a recipe for a drink of distinction. A regular London typhoon had forced me and 200 others to shelter in one of the city's delightful shopping arcades where I stopped by a small Indian shop. A lovely brunette was talking to the Hindu shopkeeper and tasting his spices.
I overheard her say the fra-
grance reminded her of her infancy. Her family frowned on children eating "native" food from street vendors, she said. My family did too, and I said so. "Oh," says the beauty, "where were you born then?" "China," says I. "Me, too," says she, "where in China?" "Soochow," I replied. "So was I," says she, "and what's your name?" I told her and her eyes popped. "You know, I think your father signed my birth certificate!" We lunched a few days later, and she was right. There, on a document belonging to a lady I'd never seen before in my life, was my father's spidery writing-out of 10 million Londoners, 12,000 miles from where we both started.

At our rather convivial repast she told me about an herb drink that I pass on. It needs a mixture of herbs that may ferment before use, but since fermentation improves it, you can't lose. Just beware of explosions. Mix 6 sprigs of chopped fresh mint and the same of borage with half a cup of lemon
juice, the zest of 1 lemon and a teaspoon each of unchopped borage and lemon balm. Allow to stand at least 2 days. Using a highball glass, put in ice, a dash of Angostura, a dash of the herb decoction (it will keep), a slice of lemon, a jigger of cognac, and top up with tonic or ginger ale.

After those China days, as you see, I graduated to more sophisticated fragrances. Take that amalgam of aromatic herbs and spices, Angostura bitters. It is to certain cocktails of gin, rum, brandy, and bourbon what salt is to food. Tony, the bartender at the Berkeley Hotel in London has a novel way of using it. He warms a dry ice tray, sprinkles a quarter teaspoon of Angostura into it, and sets it alight. Then he fills the tray with water and makes ice cubes, pink and inviting, for vodka and gin drinks.

Angostura, because it contained quinine, was originally intended as a malaria cure. It was invented in a Venezuelan town of that name (now Cuidad Bolivar) by a German doctor. Nowadays it is probably more effective as a cure for hiccups, sprinkled on a slice of sugared lemon; and it's made in Trinidad. I like it in a "Pink Lime," a combination gin-and-lime and pink gin. Fill a cocktail glass with crushed ice, put in 4 dashes of bitters and a teaspoonful of Roses or fresh lime juice. Top up with gin, add a twist of lemon or lime.

One of the most aromatic of drinks, of course, is that old standby coffee. In its early days the Arabs used coffee as an antiseptic to wash wounds. One sultan banned it because he believed it stimulated too much thinking amongst his hoi polloi. Coffee drinking was punished by a beating, but thinking was punished by death! Moslems used coffee as a wine substitute, but at first they were suspicious even of coffee because it was a stimulant.

At risk of being accused of thinking too much, you might try impressing your guests with Café Brûlot. You need a chafing dish for this black magic ceremony. Place in it 5 or 6 zests of orange, 3 or 4 of lemon, 2 sticks broken cinnamon bark, 10 headless cloves, 8 lumps of sugar, and 2 demitasses of cognac. Light the burner, stir the mixture until warm, then set it afire. Allow it to burn a minute, then pour in 5 demitassefuls dou-
ble-strength black coffee, ladle into demitasses for drinking. Most impressive in a darkened room.

An easier coffee drink is Café Mazagran-double strength coffee and red wine in equal quantities served hot, sweetened to taste.

Tea, too, is an ancient aroma served in many ways. Tibetans like hot buttered tea, which they make by boiling the leaves together with rancid butter. Russians make it in the usual way, steeping for five minutes, but add 1 bay leaf, 1 clove, a few spikes thyme. They serve this with a teaspoon or so of currant jelly in it, and a jigger of vodka for kicks.

Speaking of kicks, absinthe seems to have a most fabulous reputation from that point of view Now that it is unobtainable in its homeland, France, you'd best make a version yourself if you want to test its aphrodisiac and other qualities. This recipe will give you the flavor-but not the strength. Crush in a mortar ounce dried angelica, $1 / 2$ ounce juni per berries, 1 ounce aniseed, ounce cinnamon bark. Add ounces wormwood (only a bitter aromatic herb despite its name) and $1 / 2$ cup sugar. Pound these well into the rest and put in a heavy jar. Add 14 cup orange bitters and 1/2/2 quarts vodka. Seal and allow to stand for a month, but shake it twice a day. Filter off the liquid. Add $11 / 2$ quarts distilled water to the herbs in the jar. Stir and filter into the alcohol. Allow to chill and settle. Filter again and "voila," absinthe, as the old saw has it, makes the heart grow fonder.

Another unrivaled stimulant, according to Norman Douglas of Capri, is a hippocras, which means a wine highly flavored with spices. His recipe consists of a bottle of Burgundy, 2 pounds powdered white sugar, 1 ounce crushed cinnamon, 1 ounce ginger, $1 / 4$ ounce cloves, $\frac{1}{4}$ ounce vanilla. Mr. Douglas is not very informative about what to do next, but I imagine it is steeped for a week, the bottle tightly corked, then drunk just before you hope it will affect you.

Many liqueurs are made aromatic with herbs. Izarra, a variety whose name means "star" in Basque, uses 32 kinds of Pyrenean herbs in its yellow version and 48 in its green one, sweetened with mimosa honey and distilled in a base of Armagnac. Try a Green-
eret-Basque-half green Izarra, flf brandy. Stir in shaved ice, tink with a straw. Chartreuse, nother herb liqueur that gives pu a choice of yellow and green, made in the Alps by Carthusian onks. Benedictine, also a monkbrew, is supposed to be good r rheumatism, but is certainly od frappéd. Simply pour a jigger it over crushed ice in a glass. Aromatic vermouths are also edicinal, tummy settling, but can - served as apéritifs with ice and da water, or neat as digestifs. ppetite whetting as they may be, me, like Fernet-Branca, Underrg, and Amer-Picon, take a rong constitution to imbibe. Two thousand years ago, Pliny id, "There's no department of life which more work is spent than the search for palatable bever-es"-especially alcoholic ones, ough water is the only one really cessary for human survival. oney, being pure sugar and so sily fermentable, was probably e first aromatic to become an inxicating drink. Mead, made in ehistoric times, came before ine. Coupled with milk it is one the naturally complete foods as e Israelites knew when they ent forty years looking for their and of milk and honey." (As a atter of fact, if you need "Balm
of Gilead" any time-that Biblical cough tonic and stimulant supposedly particularly suited for children-you can still get it at Culpeppers in London.)

The Hittites used to have strict laws about the use of honey. At a 5,000-year-old ruined marvel of a city named Boghazköy in Turkey's Anatolian steppes, a carved Hittite temple wall proclaims punishments for stealing it. Actually I'd steal to sweeten my coffee with aroma on aroma, and not because food and health nut, Barbara Cartland, one of England's deliciously eccentric females, says "Honey is important in married life and will make a man loving at almost any age," but because it gives it a delicious flavor.

From honey to soy sauce and mustard may seem a rather abrupt non sequitur, but despite being

## "Benedictine is supposed to be good for rheumatism, and is certainly good frappéd"

foods, the last two can also be used to heat up some drinks. These are the nonsweet, liquid-meal beverages like Bloody Mary and Bullshot, both of which are made with tasteless vodka. An early equivalent of soy sauce was aromatic
(not to say smelly) "garum," made of salt fish from which the liquid was drawn off and put in jars, much like the Gnok Mam used by the Indo-Chinese so ubiquitously. Redolent garum was shipped all over the Roman Empire and used to flavor water, vinegar, and wine.

Mustard is another aromatic condiment-the pulverized seeds of a cabbagy plant. The English variety, small quantities of which can give added kick to a Bloody Mary, comes as a plain powder and is very hot. The pale Dijon French type is usually mixed with the juice of unripe fruit, and often today with mixed herbs, green peppers, and other flavors. Finally there is the dark Bordeaux type made with tarragon. In the U.S. "French mustard" usually refers to this kind because in the old days, when Bordeaux belonged to England, the nooks and crannies of wine shipments were filled up with local mustard. Bordeaux type goes best with cold meat and sausage and white wine (as does the similar German mustard), while Dijon, which does not change but en-
hances the taste of food, is best with steak, Bloody Marys, or red wine.

A foody sort of aromatic is nutmeg, which, when put into alcoholic drinks like milk punch, is alleged to greatly increase their effect. Nutmeg is one of the oldest of spices and Heaven alone knows how many wooden ones have been sold by W. C. Fieldian types to suckers down the centuries on the grounds of this potent influence.

Roses can be food, too, and you can even make rose fritters by dipping the petals in cognac, then in a batter and frying in deep fat. But rose water is about as aromatic a liquid as they come, and an ageold flavoring for drinks and desserts. To make it you fill a pan with petals, cover with water, hold the water at boiling point for an hour. Remove the petals and add fresh ones. Keep this up until you reach the strength you want. Use it with vodka in a tall glass, or in ice cream or whipped cream.
Almonds and pistachio nuts, saffron and rosewater, honey, mint, and a whole Arabian Nights' entertainment of flavorings and aromas can be used in beverages not only to change your gastronomic life for the better, but to give a completely new dimension to liquid refreshments as well.

# "How about a little dinner party?" 

## llka Chase talks about the care and feeding of friends and family

edrtor's note: Ilka Chase is a latterday Shakespeare's Sylvia. Heaven such grace did lend her as to be a delightful actress, an accomplished writer, a raconteur of Noel Cowardish caliber, and a hostess with pretty close to the mostest. She is also a brilliant cook, and in her newest book, The Care and Feeding of Friends ${ }^{\circ}$ (published in October by Doubleday), she divulges various delicious secretshers and her friends". "It's not a cookbook," she says, "but a book with recipes in it." In the following sampling, she has her eye on the holidays, and after a bit of entertaining commentary, invites you to dinner not only once-but twice.

you may go for quite a time without doing any entertaining and then one morning you wake up and you feel it coming on. A kind of pleasant influenza creeping over you. You realize it's been a long spell
since you've seen Evvie and Mary and Nancy, dear funny George and Alex and the Harpers and Griggs. How about it?
"How about it, Honey?" you say to your husband who, while not antisocial, could go a good eight months impervious to the fact that you haven't had a human soul in the house.
"How about what?" he asks.
"Giving a little dinner party. It's been quite a spell since we've seen". . . and you run down the list.
"Great. Fine. Why not? Anything you say."
American husbands are so obliging. "All right but is there anybody special you'd like to ask?"
"Anybody you want is O.K. with me."
"Any particular kind of food you'd like to have?"
"No. Whatever you plan will be fine." Obliging but not exactly cooperative. Still it's a lot better than "For God's sake, don't tell me

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we're having people here again?" or an even more anguished "We're not going out again tonight, are we?" Well they get tired.
If you sit at home alone all day writing you get tired too but you have been alone and in the evening you crave a little sociability.

In an office you've been seeing people all day and if you're a doctor you've been seeing the ill and the hypochondriacs and by nightfall you may be forgiven if you feel you've had the human race. Still the chances are that if they are at your dinner table the guests will be in pretty good shape and they'll cheer the man up. And by the time the evening of the party arrives he's usually feeling that way, too.
In our house if Thursday the fifteenth is good for Norton, considering his appointments that day and the next, I call the waitress we usually have to ask if she is free that evening and can come to help out, before I dream of calling any friends.

Our "staff" having been alerted, I then start calling up the chums. Any hostess knows that what she may undertake as a lighthearted gambit can be fraught with frustrations. Few things are more discouraging than to ask those to whom you are devoted only to have them say "Sweetie, we'd love to come. Thanks so much but we're going to be in Hong Kong on the fifteenth."

Once in a great while the shoe is on the other foot and although I genuinely regret having to decline an invitation from someone I like, I imagine the lilt in my voice is audible when I say "Sweetie, I'd love to come but we're going to be in Africa." Since we have been in Africa five times I on occasion detected a slight note of acidity when my would-be hostess asks "When aren't you going to be in Africa, dear?" Mostly we are not in Africa, but I know the feeling.
But let us say that everything has come up roses and we have actually been able to gather together what we feel will be a congenial group. We then turn to the menu. If it's a buffet, whatever the menu may be I find card tables are preferable to laps. Balancing a plate, knife, fork, wine glass and
trying to eat requires the skill o W. C. Fields at his juggling pe:

At a buffet, many hostesses the guests seat themselves. I not because I never think it wor out well. The women, usually ha ing served themselves first with t men bringing up the rear of $t$ line, have to pick a table and eith sit there alone or with other wo en as on an auction block hopi to lure some man besides the husbands. If they don't succe the husbands feel guilty not joi ing the ones with whom they ready eat three times a day or if husband is shy, and a surprisi number of them are, they seek o their wives as a port in a stor Me, I'm not for it.
The hostess knows her guests. feel it's up to her to concoct i triguing little combinations and s place cards so people will kno where to go. When she has on one table she seats them. Why $n$ if she has three, four, or five?
This scheme obviously is $n$ practical when there is a re crowd: a wedding reception, charity dance, a tennis tourname luncheon, but I find it works we for the non-spectaculars.

Probably leading the festivitio that rank high for Norton and $n$ are our Christmas Eve partie They started some years ago whe his children were youngsters. The would spend Christmas day wit their mother but come to us fc Christmas Eve. Since I had a ste son from my previous marriag he joined us too and when he turn married he brought his wif and her family. We also aske friends we were fond of but wh had no close relatives to turn t during the holidays.

Through the years the partie have become a kind of traditior They always used to be in Ner York, but now we have them in th country. Inevitably the faces hav changed; people move away, ped ple die or they get married and start Christmases of their own, bu it is surprising how many hav remained with us year after year We count on them and we like te think they count on us.
I always want to have the tre trimmed at least a couple of day before Christmas both for the plea sure of looking at it and to get the
out of the way. Children may to help and if you have them is the way to do it, yet fundaitally tree trimming is not d's play. If you want to achieve rtain effect, a lot of effort and ght goes into it.
ome fine year I shall change scheme completely but for the three or four we have done same thing. We have the tree ked by the nursery from which buy it in the country. They are e expert than we in achieving snow-laden look. Norton then it in a metal base and sets that galvanized tub of water ch, through the holidays, we replenishing. Thus refreshed needles are cooperative about ering to the branches. We $k$ the ugly tub with cotton ing.
ike everybody else, I imagine, lip the finial star over the tip he topmost branch and string lights before starting with the ments. We use the tiny Italian ss and no color other than the $r$ of the light itself.
re have many boxes of ornats, many richly colored balls, in recent years we have used the sparkly ones, clear glass looks like crystal with touches gold, interspersed here and e with golden fruit and an ocnal globe of palest palest . When the tree is lighted, it a shimmering fairy-like quality is quite lovely.
e have presents for everyone. $y$ are inexpensive, but I try to things that are appropriate to ecipient. We have discovered at a party of this kind people y having two or three small ages for the fun of opening 1) rather than only one present should it be quite grand.
or friends usually arrive bear-
tures, which we later distribute to the participants.

For us it is a highlight of the year but it's just as well that it does come only once. The shopping and the wrapping can take it out of you. That's another reason I enjoy traveling. In foreign lands you can pick up tidbits that make good Christmas presents without having to draw a deep breath and plunge into the maelstrom of our commercial Yuletide.

I here submit a couple of our Christmas Eve menus that seem to have met with approval.

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## DINNER

Smoked salmon. Olive oil, capers, and quartered lemons were passed with this Dry white wine
Thin slices of pumpernickel bread spread with sweet butter
Roast venison, sauce poivrade Red wine
Purée of chestnuts String beans
Endive and watercress salad Cheese and crackers
Plum pudding with hard sauce Pumpkin pie Coffee
Champagne with the presents
For the venison and sauce poivrade I am indebted to Jessica Daves. Jessica followed my mother as editor-in-chief of Vogue. She was, at one time, a Southern lady. She is still a lady, I hasten to add, but she has been adopted by us

## "People enjoy having two or three small packages for the fun of opening them"

gifts too and they are placed nd the tree with those we have dy put there. We have cockand the dinner is always bufwith people seated at small s. Our number varies between teen and twenty-two.
n these occasions coffee is n at the tables. There is gh litter and confusion in the $g$ room later on without havcoffee cups in the way. ter dinner, the presents! With clothes basket for the wrappaper and ribbons. Norton s out his camera and flash $s$ and takes a few group pic-
damn Yankees for a good many years and we claim her as our own. Miss Daves, or Mrs. Robert Parker, coped not only with the world of fashion but she was canny in culinary fields as well. So much so in fact that she, with her friend Tatiana McKenna compiled and wrote what I consider to be one of the best cookbooks in my collection. It is called the Vogue Book of Menus and Recipes and is a rich storehouse of ideas for food and incisive instructions on how to go about preparing it. The sauce poivrade for venison follows.

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Method: In a mortar and pestle or blender, make a thick purée of olives, anchovies, capers, and tuna. Slowly add olive oil, lemon juice, and finally a few drops of brandy and $\frac{1 / 2}{4}$ teaspoon mustard. Spoon this mixture over halved hardcooked eggs, which you present cut side down. Add a judicious sprinkling of parsley and serve, perhaps surrounded by garden lettuce, as a first course. The tapenade is an excellent cocktail spread when offered with Melba toast or crisp crackers. Serves 4. Mrs. Arthur B. Waxter.

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 chokes packed in brine, Melba toast rounds, melted butter with salt, pepper and garlic crushed, sliced almonds or sesame seeds. Method: Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$. Drain and rinse the artichokes thoroughly and cut in half, best done with kitchen shears. Place each artichoke half, cut side up, on 1 Melba round. Pour the melted butter with seasonings into the artichoke crevices, allowing some of it to run over on the rounds. Sprinkle sliced almonds or sesame seeds over the artichokes. Bake for 10 minutes and brown lightly under the broiler. Frank d'Amanda.Serve this in a shallow bowl edged with salami slices and small wedges of cheese.

## MARINATED VEGETABLES

 Ingredients: 12 small white onions, peeled; 1 small cauliflower in flowerets; 1 pound small mushrooms; 2 green peppers in 12 -inch strips; 18 black olives; 1 cup olive oil; $1 / 2$ cups wine vinegar; 2 teaspoons salt; \%/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper; 4 tablespoons sugar; 1 clove garlic, minced.Method: In a large bowl toss together the vegetables and olives. In a large saucepan add the oil, vinegar, salt, pepper, sugar, and garlic and bring to a boil. Cool mixture and pour over the vegetables. Marinate in the refrigerator
with cocktails. Mrs. Morton Baum.

## Marinated fish in one form or another is common to every seafaring country. This is French, and quite special.

## ESCABECHE

Ingredients: 6 pounds seafood (shrimp, scallops, sliced squid, bite-sized fillets of rock bass, and flounder); flour for dredging; 3 cups olive or corn oil; 8 large cloves garlic, minced; 3 medium onions, thinly sliced; 1 cup vinegar; 6 tablespoons lemon juice; $2^{1 / 4}$ cups water; 1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper; 3 tablespoons parsley, chopped; $1 / 2$ teaspoon saffron; $1^{1 / 2}$ teaspoon cumin seed, crushed; salt, $1^{1 / 2}$ cups scallions, chopped; 12 lemon slices; 6 bay leaves.
Garnishes: lemon slices, whole green onions.
Method: Lightly dredge the fish with flour. In a large frying pan heat I cup oil and sauté garlic and onion until soft. Remove from pan with a slotted spoon and reserve. Sauté fish in same oil quickly until golden brown. Drain on paper towels and arrange in shallow pans.
In a large bowl mix the remaining oil, vinegar, lemon juice, water, pepper, parsley, saffron, cumin, and salt to taste. Pour over the seafood. Sprinkle with reserved onion and garlic mixture and scallions. Add lemon slices and bay leaves. Marinate for 24 hours in the refrigerator. To serve, arrange the seafood on a shallow serving tray. Garnish with lemon slices and onions. This can be used as an hors d'oeuvre or as a first course. Serves 18. Miss Rita St. Clair.

Two prepare-ahead dishes that are colorful and impres-sive-and served together, they show heliday colors.

## SPINACH PIE

Ingredients: 29 -inch pie shells; 3 cups chopped frozen spinach; 6 tablespoons minced shallots; 4 tablespoons butter; 1 teaspoon salt; $1 / 2$ teaspoon pepper; $1 / 8$ teaspoon nutmeg; 6 eggs; 3 cups cream (milk or cottage cheese may be substituted); $/ 4$ teaspoon nutmeg; 1 cup Gruyère cheese, slivered; 2 tablespoons butter, cut into tiny pieces.
Method: Preheat oven to $425^{\circ}$. Bake pie shells for about 10 min utes or until lightly browned, and set aside.

Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$. In a saucepan cook the spinach and squeeze it completely dry. In a
for 1 minute in butter. Add the spinach and stir to evaporate all its water. Stir in the salt, pepper, and nutmeg. Adjust the seasoning. In a large bowl, beat the eggs, cream (milk or cottage cheese),疗 teaspoon nutmeg, a few grinds pepper. Gradually stir in the spinach mixture. Pour into pastry shells. Distribute cheese and butter kernels evenly on top. Bake for 25-30 minutes, until the custard has set. This will wait; it doesn't have to be served hot, and it is quite good cold as well. Miss Rita St. Clair, Mrs. Henry Hays.
EGG AND CAVIAR MOUSSE Ingredients: 5 tablespoons unflavored gelatin; 1 cup cold water; 24 hard-cooked large eggs; 10 ounces black caviar; freshly ground black pepper; 2 medium onions, grated; 5 cups mayonnaise; 3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce; 2 cups heavy cream, whipped; cherry tomatoes.
Method: Soften gelatin in cold water and dissolve over hot water in the top of a double boiler. Cool. Put the eggs through a sieve or ricer and combine with caviar, black pepper, onions, mayonnaise and Worcestershire sauce to taste. Add cooled gelatin and fold in whipped cream. Rinse 28 -cup molds in cold water and divide the mixture between them. Unmold at serving time, surround with cherry tomatoes. Serves 24 or more. Mrs. Robert D. Meyers.

Shellfish, hot and spicy, are probably the most luxurious of all appetizers. Since these are all for brolling, they might deek the same cocktail table-but one at any party would be an honored guest.

## SHRIMP BROILED WITH GARLIC BUTTER

Ingredients: 2 pounds uncooked fresh or defrosted shrimp shelled
 pound butter; 1/2 cup olive or salad oil; 1 tablespoon lemon juice; ${ }^{1}$ cup scallions, chopped; 1 tablespoon garlic, chopped; 1 teaspoon salt; freshly ground black pepper; 4 tablespoons parsley, chopped. Method: Preheat broiler to highest temperature. Wash shrimp with cold water and dry. In a small pan melt butter, add oil, lemon juice, scallions, garlic, salt and pepper. Add shrimp to mixture and broil 3-4 inches from heat for 5 minutes. Turn and broil 5 minutes on other side. Serve on a platter with parsley and strained pan juices. Serves 6. Mrs. William Hazelhurst.

## DEVILED OYSTERS

Ingredients: 36 medium oysters, $1 / 4$
with 1 tablespoon salad oil, fresh bread crumbs, melted butter.
Method: Poach the oysters in their liquor until they come to a boil. Drain well and heat them for 2 minutes with the mustard and cool. Roll them in egg mixture and then bread crumbs, and chill in refrigerator for about 1 hour. Preheat broiler. Dribble butter over the top of the oysters and broil them for about 5 minutes on each side. Serve as a first course or on toothpicks as an appetizer. Mrs. Bertram Bernheim, Jr.

## BROILED SCALLOPS

Ingredients: $1 / 2$ pound breaded scallops, //4 cup dry vermouth, /1/4 cup olive oil, $1 / 4$ teaspoon finely chopped garlic, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt, 1 tablespoon minced parsley.
Method: Preheat broiler. Marinate the scallops in vermouth, olive oil, garlic, salt, and parsley for several hours. When ready to serve, place the scallops with the marinade in a shallow pan. Put under broiler 2 inches from the heat. Broil 5 to 6 minutes. Serves 4-6. Frank D'Amanda.

There are few party sights as overwhelming as an entire rownd of beef roasted crimchy on the outside, tenderly rosy within. Here are two recipes for grill or broiler main courses that make marvelous cocktail fare sliced paper thin.

## MARINATED FLANK STEAK

Ingredients: 1 flank steak, 2-2/1/2 pounds; $1 / 2$ cup soy sauce; $21 / 2$ tablespoons brown sugar; 2 tablespoons lemon juice; 1 teaspoon ground ginger; $1 / 2$ teaspoon garlic salt.
Method: Trim fat from the steak. Score the meat on both sides and place in a shallow dish. In a small bowl mix soy sauce, brown sugar, lemon juice, ginger, and salt. Pour mixture over steak and marinate overnight in the refrigerator or for 4 hours at room temperature, turning the steak occasionally. Preheat broiler. Drain the marinade, then broil the flank steak 3-4 inches from the fire for 3 minutes on each side. Carve in thin diagonal slices immediately. Serves 4-6. Mrs. James Grieves.

## BUTTERFLIED LEG OF LAMB

Ingredients: 5-pound butterflied leg of lamb, boned and flattened, salt, pepper, lemon juice, mustard butter.
Method: Season lamb with salt, pepper, lemon juice and grill 10 minutes on the cut side and 15 minutes on the fell side. Spread with mustard butter and slice diagonally. Serves 6. Mrs. C. W.

As you undoubtedly won't have one pot large enough to prepare choucroute for twenty-four or more, beg, borrow, or buy two large covered casseroles or cooking pots of $8-12$ quart capacity. Choucroute garnie is so hearty you don't need anything with it other than $a$ light dessert.

## CHOUCROUTE GARNIE

Ingredients for each pot: 2 $2 / 2$ pounds salt pork; 4 pounds fresh sauerkraut; 3 cloves garlic and 10 juniper berries, tied in a cheesecloth bag; 2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper; $12-15$ pork loin chops; butter; chicken stock or dry white wine; 2 large Polish kielbasy; 6-8 knockwurst or 12-15 frankfurters.
Garnishes: 24-30 small boiled potatoes, cooked in their jackets; a selection of mustards.
Method: Soak the salt pork in water to get rid of excess salt, or blanch it in boiling water. Cut 2 or 3 \%-inch slices from the salt pork and arrange on the bottom of the pot. Drain the sauerkraut, wash it well under cold running water and squeeze dry. Put the sauerkraut in the pot, bury the remaining whole piece of salt pork in the center and also the garlic and jumiper berries, and grind black pepper over it. Brown the pork chops on each side in butter and add to the pot, covering them with sauerkraut. Add enough chicken stock or white wine to cover all the ingredients. Bring to a boil, cover, reduce the heat and simmer gently for $31 /-4$ hours, then add the kielbasy and cook for 15 minutes. Add knockwurst or frankfurters, cover, simmer 15 minutes longer.
Meanwhile, boil the potatoes. To serve, remove the meats to a carving board and slice the salt pork and kielbasy and the knockwurst. Arrange the drained sauerkraut (discard the cheesecloth bag) in the center of a large platter and surround it with the pork chops, sliced pork, and sliced sausages (if you use frankfurters, leave them whole). Serve the potatoes in a separate dish. Each pot will serve 12-15 people.
note: Other forms of pork that can be used include: roast loin of pork; pig's feet or knuckles (which are cooked with the sauerkraut); sliced, baked, or boiled ham.

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Ingredients: $1 / 2$ pound Roquefort cheese or similar blue cheese, $1 / 2$ pound cream cheese, 8 tablespoons sour cream, 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts, 24-30 firm ripe pears or firm eating apples.
Method: Let the cheeses stand at
room temperature until softened. Mash them to a smooth paste with sour cream, mix in the walnuts.
Core the pears or apples and stuff each one with approximately 2 tablespoons of the cheese-walnut mixture. Chill until ready to serve. Serve with fruit knives and forks, as the fruit should be sliced crosswise, and peeled or not, according to preference.

> PASTA SUPPER FOR 20 TO 40
> Leon Lianides's Pastichio Greek Carrot and Caper Salad Lebanese Pine Nuts and Raisins, Chilled Yoghurt The Wine: Carafes of California Chablis and Zinfandel

0ne of the most superb of all dishes for a buffet supper is the Greek pastichio, which can be made in vast quantities and improves with reheating. The secret that makes this different from all other pasta dishes is the Béchamel sauce, enriched with egg yolks, cream, and cheese, which binds the meat and macaroni and gives it a melting moist richness. The quantity given is for twenty. It may be doubled, but should be done in two batches, and really large baking dishes, the type used for lasagna, are absolutely essential.

The salad, also Greek, a most unusual, tart and refreshing combination of carrots, capers, and mustardy French dressing, is a perfect contrast to the pastichio. Unless your guests have acquired a taste for the turpentine flavor of Greek retsina, it is better to stick to an inexpensive California jug wine, served en carafe. Provide both red and white, so each person can choose what he or she prefers.

LEON LIANIDES'S PASTICHIO
Ingredients for meat mixture: 2 tablespoons butter; 1 tablespoon oil; 3 cups finely chopped onion; 2 cloves garlic, finely minced; 4 pounds ground round; 4 teaspoons salt; $12-\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon pepper; 1 teaspoon oregano; $1 / 2-1$ teaspoon cinnamon; freshly grated nutmeg to taste; $1 / 2$ cup finely chopped parsley; 3 cups canned Italian plum tomatoes, well drained; ${ }^{y}$ cup dry red wine.
Ingredients for sauce and pasta: 6 cups light cream; 2 cups milk; 12 tablespoons butter; $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cups flour; salt and pepper to taste; 10 egg yolks; 1 cup heavy cream; 2 cups ricotta cheese (optional); if ricotta is not available, use 1 extra cup heavy cream; $1^{1 / 2}$ pounds pastichio macaroni (sold in Greek shops) or \#2 long macaroni or ziti; 1 cup crumbled feta cheese; 1 cup grated

Parmesan or Romano cheese.
Method: Melt the butter and oil in a 14 -inch sauté pan or skillet, or divide all meat mixture ingredients, including butter and oil between 2 smaller skillets. Add the onion and sauté until golden and soft. Mix in the garlic and beef and cook, breaking the meat up with a wooden spoon, until all traces of pink disappear. Season with salt and pepper, oregano, cinnamon, nutmeg, and add the parsley, tomatoes, and wine. Mix well together and taste for seasoning, adding what you think is necessary. Cook over high heat until the liquid evaporates.

Meanwhile, in a heavy pan scald the light cream and milk. In a 3 -quart saucepan, melt the 12 tablespoons butter, stir in the flour, and cook, stirring, until smooth and bubbly. Mix in the scalded cream and milk, stirring constantly. Season to taste with salt and pepper and cook, stirring, until thick. Remove from the heat. In a large bowl beat the egg yolks and heavy cream together, gradually add some of the hot sauce to temper the yolks, then stir the diluted yolks into the balance of the sauce and beat in the ricotta or extra heavy cream.

Boil the macaroni rapidly in plenty of boiling salted water in a large pot until just done, but still firm and al dente, about 10 min utes. Drain thoroughly.

Preheat oven to $400^{\circ}$. Liberally butter 2 large baking dishes that mieasure 18 -by- 13 -by- $21 / 2$-inches deep, or $15 \%$-by- 9 -by-4-inches. Reserve half the cream sauce for the topping. Make layers of ingredients in the baking dishes, starting with a layer of macaroni. Sprinkle this with $1 / 2$ cup feta cheese and $1 / 4$ cup grated Parmesan. Spoon over this a layer of cream sauce, then 1/3 of the meat mixture. Continue making layers, ending with macaroni. Pour remaining sauce over the top and sprinkle with remaining grated Parmesan or Romano cheese. Bake for 30 minutes or until browned, very hot, and bubbling. This may be baked in advance and reheated in a $250^{\circ}$ oven, but if you reheat it do not add the final sprinkling of cheese on the top until ready to reheat.
GREEK CARROT AND CAPER SALAD Ingredients: 4 pounds carrots, shredded (about 16 cups); 11/2 cups drained capers, the largest available; 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard; 1 tablespoon salt; $1^{1 / 2}$ teaspoons pepper; 6 tablespoons wine vinegar; 1/2 cups olive oil, romaine. Method: Combine the carrots and capers in a large bowl. In a large
screw-topped jar put mustard, salt, pepper, wine vinegar, and olive oil and shake well. Taste for seasoning. Pour dressing over the salad, using enough to coat it, but not make it soggy, and toss lightly. Serve in a large bowl lined with romaine leaves, and allow about $\%$ cup per serving.

LEBANESE PINE NUTS AND RAISINS
Ingredients: 6 cups white raisins, 2 cups honey, 2 cups water, grated zest of 3-4 lemons (about 3 tablespoons), 2 cups pine nuts.
Method: In a large bowl plump the raisins by soaking them in warm water for an hour. Drain. Combine the honey and water in a saucepan, bring to boil and boil for 3 minutes, then add the drained raisins and lemon zest. Cook over low heat for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and pour into a bowl. Stir in the pine nuts. Chill until ready to serve.

Serve very cold. In the Middle East tradition, this is a very sweet dessert and you should only serve a small portion, with chilled yoghurt offered as a tart contrast.

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\text { James Beard's Turkey in } \\
\text { Lettuce Leaves } \\
\text { Platter of Cheeses with } \\
\text { Crackers and Sliced French Bread } \\
\text { Platter of Sliced Sausages } \\
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$\dagger$he best way to cope with a big cocktail buffet is to serve a minimum of fairly hearty dishes, choosing things that are fun to eat and piquant to the palate. This menu is good for holiday times because it enables you to use up leftover baked ham and roast turkey in an unusual and interesting way. To the recipes given you might add your own favorite pâté and raw vegetable dip.

GREEN PEPPER SPICED HAM
Ingredients: 2 tablespoons green peppercorns (available canned in specialty food shops); 8-10 slivers garlic; 2 teaspoons cinnamon; 6ounces unsalted butter, softened; salt to taste; 12 cups minced baked ham (about 6 pounds); 8 tablespoons Dijon mustard; 12 tablespoons mayonnaise or enough to bind. Garnish: spiced onions, parsley.
Method: Mash the green peppercorns well with the garlic and cinnamon in a mortar and pestle. Work in the butter until thorough-

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## Gacenes $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{cls}}$ <br> byJames Fanning

isp fall days and dew-moist nights bring the mushrooms to the peak of their growing season. A bit mysious to most of us, the oddly shaped fungus we see is actually the fruiting part-you might even call it - flower-of a plant growing underground or among the fibers of decaying wood. The fact that some are licious food while others are deadly poison makes a great many people shy away from them-a wise urse if you don't know which is which. But learning to know mushrooms is no more difficult than learny to identify other kinds of plants. To begin, naturally, you need a good book. Heretofore most books on ishroom identification have been highly technical, next to impossible for a beginner to understand. But Orson K. Miller, Jr., Associate Professor of Botany at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, has set it all wn in simple, easy-to-grasp language. His Mushrooms of North America (Dutton, \$17.95) is a comprensive list of the kinds that grow in the U.S., with good, clear color photographs of most of them and, for od measure, recipes for cooking some of the tastier ones. As Prof. Miller emphasizes, there is no rule of umb for telling which mushrooms are edible and which are not. You simply have to know what you are thering and the best way to know is to have a book like Prof. Miller's at hand.

ollecting for the house can incluale collecting appropriate plants. The garden of gray anal reen herlbs at the Frank Mactiregor miths 1740 house, page 34, is a hapy example. In a rocky 13-by-20-foot rea where grass would not grow, herbs rive in small beds outlined by wood nd in narrow, foot-ligh boxes. Pebble wihs are bordereal by a privet hedge, in plan right: by woolly gray lamb's urs and Englisle ivy, 2; long boxes of puthernwood artemisia and santoma. 3: a bank of siceet woodruff, 4. A pnter bed contains alecorative herbs, 5 wh as Iavender, rue, johnny-jump-up, calndula. Another bed, with a sumalial set on a (amp, 6, contains savory herbs, 7: parsley, sage, rosemary, thyme (Emglish, French, lemn), chives and other allinms, uinter sacory, tarragon, oregano, burnet, lovage, anal basil. II these herbs winter-ocer under salt hay except for basil and tender rosemary. Near the epping stones close to the house are artemisia 'Silcer Mound,' sage, and Iamb's ears, 8 , and ints, $\$$ (apple, pineapple, spearmint). The fence is made of weathereal planlis naileal to 4ch corner posts. To replace any of the wood as needed, the Smiths collect extra boards ad leave them outdoors to turn a suitable, cemerable gray. The garden aas designed by delma Simmons of Caprilands Herb Farm, Coventry, Conn. OG238, who also supplies plants nal seeds by mail. The botanical posters in the Smiths' barn are $16-b y-19$ inches, 812.75 for three, from The New Yorl Hotanical Garden Shop, Ibronx, N.Y. 10458.
affodil bulbs should be underground by now. If you haven't planted this fall's batch yet, make every effort to get em in the ground before the middle of November-they need warm soil to grow strong, healthy roots. Tulips are ot so particular. They may be planted just about any time the soil is diggable. And there's always an argument pout the depth at which bulbs-tulips or any others-should be set. Four times the height of the bulb itself, peasuring from base bulb to ground level, is the general rule, but a lot depends on soil quality. In light, sandy round, tulips and daffodils may be set as much as a foot below the surface. In heavy clay 4 to 6 inches is deep pough. The really important point is to have plenty of good earth- 6 inches or more-under the bulb, where the pots grow. Left undisturbed for several years, bulbs gradually work their way upward or down in the soil, eventuIly stabilize at the depth best suited to their needs.
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ABOVE: Assemble materials. Drainage pebbles and charcoal are in small bowls. Planting mix (1/3 packaged soil, $1 / 3$ coarse sand, $1 / 3$ peat moss) is in large bowl.

above: Sphagnum is planting medium for purple pitcher plant, small red sundew and huntsman's horn. Press roots in moss firmly. RIGHT: Terrarium, with added jerns, eight months later when plants have matured. Terrarium is $\$ 17.50$ fob. Carnivorous plant set, \$4.50. Catalogue available.


тор: Drainage plus soil in bottom of terrarium comes to about $1 / 4$ height of total terrarium. ABove: For bog plants, add layer of unmilled sphagnum moss, well soaked and wrung out. Use rain water or let tap water stand in jar a day before using.

DAVID KERPER


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Headboard: $5^{\prime}$ long x $43^{\prime \prime}$ high, Japinese bamboo fence pattern, imported rom the Philippines. $\$ 126$. Hexagonal seat: $18^{\prime \prime}$ diam. $\times 18^{\prime \prime}$ high, top is lat peel basket weave wicker. $\$ 84$. Both py Calif-Asia. "Tonsu" cabinet: 34 " * $19^{\prime \prime} \times 27^{\prime \prime}$ high, 6 drawers. $\$ 440$. Conole table: $68^{\prime \prime} \times 20^{\prime \prime} \times 27^{\prime \prime}$ high, of elected pieces of oak. $\$ 285$. Cabinet and table designed by Robert Thorpe or Brown-Saltman. Hooded rattan hair: $\$ 495$. Hanging baskets: set of p, \$66. Antique carved horse: $\$ 750$. Antique carved low table: $\$ 350$. Chrome standing lamp: $\$ 200$. All at Bloomingdale's. "Ormen" cotton fabric: covering bed and window seat, 8 " wide, 35 " repeat. "Lola" cotton fabric: covering front bed pillows, 47 " vide, 18 " repeat. "Pears" cotton fabic: covering back bed pillows, $58^{\prime \prime}$ vide, $301 / 2$ " repeat. "Zebra" cotton abric: covering large window seat pilows, 58 " wide, 34 " repeat. "Lolitta" otton fabric: covering throw pillows n window seat and in chair, $47^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $2^{\prime \prime}$ repeat. All fabrics about $\$ 18 \mathrm{a} \mathrm{yd}$. By Jack Lenor Larsen.* Matting on floor: sisal, available in $3^{\prime}, 9^{\prime}$, and $12^{\prime}$ vidths. 87 a sq. yd. From Karl Mann Associates.* Matting on walls: capana matting, $9^{\prime} \times 12^{\prime}$ size shown. Mattng painted for photography. $\$ 16.20$. At Bamboo \& Rattan Works.

## CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

 Page 95:Chrome and glass table: $40^{\prime \prime}$ sq. $x$ 9" high, chrome base, removable top. By Lane. "Mode" canopy daybed: 32 x 31 " x $78 \frac{1}{2}$ " high. 8850 ; "Mode" rmehair: $28^{\prime \prime} \times 31^{\prime \prime} \times 29^{\prime \prime}$ high. $\$ 300$ ach. Daybed and chair are core rattan ver a steel frame, cushions of Dacron rrapped polyfoam. Parsons ottoman: $30^{\prime \prime} \times 25^{\prime \prime} \times 16^{\prime \prime}$ high, peel rattan ver hardwood frame. $\$ 150$. All by Fropi-Cal. At Bon Marché, Seattle, Tondara" table: $37 \% / 4$ " diam. x $5 \% / 4$ high, fiberglass reinforced polyster; "Selene" stacking side chair: $838^{\prime \prime} \times 201 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 3038^{\prime \prime}$ high, of fiberlass reinforced polyester. Both defigned by Vico Magestretti. Both by Artemide.
"Kenmare" Belgian linen and coton fabric: $54^{\prime \prime}$ wide, shown in oyster. 13.20 a yd. From S. Harris \& Co." "Fire Bird" acrylic on canvas: 1" $1^{\prime \prime}$ 12". 1968. By Friedel Dzubas. 1800. At André Emmerich Gallery. -Salice" reflector lamp: chromium lated metal, stands $21^{\prime \prime}$ high. $\$ 252$. From the Fontana Arte series by Venini

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## BIG PARTIES

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Dining table: $60^{\prime \prime} \times 40^{\prime \prime} \times 29^{\prime \prime}$ high, two $20^{\prime \prime}$ leaves included, cherry solids, walnut veneer. $\$ 659$. Side chairs: $23^{\prime \prime}$ $\times 21^{\prime \prime} \times 40^{\prime \prime}$ high, cherry solids, driftwood white finish, yellow trim, upholstered seat. $\$ 209$ COM. Armoire: $40^{\prime \prime}$ $\times 20^{\prime \prime} \times 79^{\prime \prime}$ high, driftwood yellow finish, shelves, drawers inside. $\$ 835$. All from the "Lorraine IV" Collection by White Furniture Co. At W \& J Sloane. Antique carved mirror: $45^{\prime \prime} \times 60^{\prime \prime}$ high. \$750. Persian gourd vases: shown on mantel, \$180 a pair. Antique Chinese celadon bulb vases: shown on table with lilies, carved black stand. \$375. Antique crystal water pitcher: silver top, \$75. Pecten seallop shell box: silver closure. $\$ 150$. Tortoiseshell boxes from a large selection. Antique Persian metal animals: shown on buffet table. $\$ 150$ a pair. All from John Rosselli. Antique pine
 From Edwin Jackson. Durrie rug: all wool. $9^{\prime} \times 12$ ' size shown. 81620 . By Rosecore Carpet. Pair of floral and fruit watercolors: $22^{\prime \prime} \times 32^{\prime \prime}$ each. From Dan Greenblatt.* Large clam shell: shown filled with crab. $\$ 120$. At Karl Springer Ltd.* Pink linen napkins: $18^{\prime \prime}$ square, scalloped edges. $\$ 13$ each. At D. Porthault. "Ruby" cotton fabric: covering dining chairs, 48" wide, $18 \frac{2}{4}$ " repeat, custom color fabric, 25 yds. minimum. From CastleburyHeld Handprints." "Garada" cotton fabric: covering dining table, 45" wide, color shown is peach. From China Seas.* Cornice molding: $4^{\prime \prime}$ depth. $5^{\prime \prime}$ projection, $33 /{ }^{\prime \prime}$ " repeat, lightweight

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"Eloquence" sterling flatware: $\$ 89.755$ piece place setting; silverplate hollowware: glass lined covered casserole, $\$ 59.50$; coffeepot, $\$ 125$; sugar and creamer, $\$ 70$ each. By Lunt. "Eileen" crystal stemware: wine goblet, $\$ 9$ each; decanter, \$41.50. By Waterford Glass. "Mandarin" dinnerware: Mason Ironstone, $\$ 32.505$ piece place setting. By Royal Doulton. Trinket boxes: small $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ diam., medium, $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ diam., designed by Theodora. $\$ 20$ and $\$ 30$. At Concinnity. Napkins: India cotton fabric, red and blue design, shown in letter box on table. $\$ 3$ a yd. From Far Eastern Fabrics.*
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## Materials and equipment in the house on page 106

## architect: Robert Whitton

contractor: Hector Osmond sIZe of house: 2,500 square feet

## sIZe of Lot: 16 acres

## STRUCTURE

Foundation: Poured reinforced concrete retaining walls and footings below grade.
Framing: Wood platform framing with plywood sheathing.

## EXTERIOR OF HOUSE

Exterior walls: 1-by-4-inch tongue-and-groove fir siding with shiplap vertical joints.
Exterior finishes: On walls, one primer coat, one finish coat of white acrylic paint; on wood decks, gray stain by Samuel Cabot, Inc.
Roof: Built-up roofing: layers of bituminous coated building paper topped with gravel.
Insulation: In walls, 4 -inch glass fiber batts; in roof, 2 -inch rigid board insulation.
Windows: Fixed glass panels in wood frames and "Pella" wood frame casement windows by Rolscreen Co.
Skylights: Custom made of "Plexiglas" by Rohm \& Haas.
Doors: Entrance door, solid core wood door faced with Formica; aluminum frame "Mildor" sliding glass doors by Miller Industries, Inc.

## INTERIOR OF HOUSE

Walls: $1 / 2$-inch thick gypsum wallboard with thin coat of smooth plaster by U. S. Gypsum Co. In bathrooms, $2^{1 / 2}$-inch square white ceramic tile in tub and shower areas by AmericanOlean Tile Co., subsidiary of National Gypsum Co.
Ceilings: In major rooms, gypsum wallboard by U. S. Gypsum Co. with smooth plaster finish and exposed wood beams in flat black paint. In bathrooms and kitchen, smooth white plaster finish.
Interior finishes: White paint, except for living room and lavatory walls painted camel color and hall wall painted yellow. Living-room, diningroom, and master-bedroom ceilings
painted flat black.
Floors: In major rooms and kitchen, wall-to-wall gray indoor-outdoor carpet by Ozite Corp. In bathrooms, $21 / 2$-inch square white ceramic tile by American Olean Tile Co., subsidiary of National Gypsum Co.
Fireplaces: Prefabricated fireplaces by Majestic Co., Inc.
Hardware: Brushed aluminum by Schlage Lock Co.
Lighting fixtures: Recessed cylindrical ceiling fixtures and "Lytespan" recessed ceiling tracks with spotlight fixtures by Lightolier, Inc. In kitchens, bathrooms, and stair hall, exposed white bulbs.
Music system: Tuner by H. H. Scott with AR3 speakers.
Furnishings: Chairs on deck, Marimekko pillows, and accessories in living room and kitchen by Design Research.
Cabinets: In kitchen, bathrooms, master bedroom, and study, white, matte finish, Formica faced hardboard cus-tom-made cabinets.
Countertops: In kitchen, bathrooms, master bedroom, and study, white matte finish, Formica with hardboard edge. Plumbing fixtures: In kitchen, stainless steel sink by American-Standard, Inc. with "Moen" faucet by Standard Screw Co., Western Division. In bathrooms and lavatory, white plumbing fixtures by American-Standard, Inc.

## MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

## AND APPLIANCES

Appliances: 5-burner electric, stainless steel top range with oven by Thermador Division of Norris Industries; food waste disposer and "KitchenAid" undercounter dishwasher by Hobart Mfg. Co.; refrigerator by Amana Refrigerations, Inc.; ventilating fan by Jenn-Air Corp.
Hot water heater: Electric 52 -gallon tank.
Heating system: Electric heating from baseboard grids; individual control by switch and thermostat in each room.

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ly blended. Taste for salt, and add as much as needed, depending on the saltiness of the ham. This spiced butter keeps well in the refrigerator or freezer.

Mix the ham, green pepper butter, mustard, and just enough mayonnaise to bind the mixture together; not so much that it becomes sloppy. Pack into 26 -cup ring molds (any excess can be put in a small bowl and unmolded sep-
arately), that have been lightly oiled. Chill until just firm, then turn out onto serving platters. Fill the centers with tiny spiced onions on a bed of parsley. Serve with sliced French bread, crackers, or preferably, tiny hot biscuits.

SHRIMP BALL
Ingredients: 3 -ounce packages cream cheese; $841 / 2$-ounce cans tiny shrimp, drained and chopped coarsely; 4 cloves garlic, mashed;
mayonnaise; Tabasco; salt; parsley, finely chopped.
Method: In a large bowl mash the cream cheese and add shrimp, garlic, and enough mayonnaise to hold the mixture together firmly. Add Tabasco and salt to taste. Form into 2 balls, roll in parsley.

JAMES BEARD'S TURKEY IN LETTUCE LEAVES
Ingredients: $1 / 2$ pound butter; 6 cups finely chopped onion; $21 / 2$ cups finely chopped green pepper; 34 ounce cans green chili peppers, drained, seeded, and chopped; 6 tablespoons fresh hot green chili pepper, seeded and finely chopped; 12 cups turkey or chicken, cooked and finely diced; 4 tablespoons chopped fresh basil or 2 teaspoons dried basil; salt to taste; 2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper; 1 cup cognac; $1 / 2-1$ cup chicken broth (optional); 8-10 large heads iceberg lettuce. Garnish: toasted shaved almonds;
chopped parsley.
Method: Melt the butter in a inch sauté pan, or divide this : the turkey mixture between smaller skillets. Add the onion green pepper and cook until and wilted. Add the canned fresh green chili peppers and turkey or chicken, and toss w Cover and simmer for 5 minu Add basil, salt to taste, and pepp Taste for seasoning before add the cognac. If mixture seems dry, add some chicken bro Taste again and adjust seasoni Serve this hot, in chafing dis or electric skillets, with a garn of toasted shaved almonds chopped parsley on top.

Chill the lettuce well and se rate the heads into leaves. Arrar these on a platter by the turk The idea is that each per spoons some of the hot spicy $m$ ture onto an icy lettuce leaf, r it up and eats it like a taco.

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## ROAST LEG OF VENISON WITH SAUCE POIVRADE (for 10)

Ingredients: 6- to 7-pound leg of venison; salt and black pepper; 3 celery stalks, chopped; 2 carrots, sliced thin; 2 onions, sliced thin; 2 shallots, chopped; 3 sprigs parsley, chopped; 2 cloves garlic, crushed; 6 peppercorns, crushed; 6 juniper berries, crushed; 1 teaspoon dried rosemary (optional); $1 / 2$ teaspoon dried thyme; 1 large bay leaf, crumbled; 3 cups dry white or red wine; 1 cup wine vinegar; $1 / 2$ cup olive oil; sauce poivrade for venison (see below). Method: Season the venison with salt and pepper. Mix the vegetables, herbs, and spices, and place half the mixture at the bottom of a deep, narrow pan. Place the venison on the mixture and spread the rest over the meat. Mix the wine, vinegar, and olive oil, and pour the liquid over all. Marinate in a cool place for two days, if possible, or at least overnight. Turn the meat several times each day so that it is well seasoned all over. Drain the meat, reserving the marinade, and dry it with paper towels. Roast the venison in a medium oven $\left(375^{\circ}\right)$ as you would beef, allowing about 12 minutes per pound for rare venison. Serve with sauce poivrade.

## SAUCE POIVRADE

FOR VENISON
Ingredients: Marinade from venison; 3 tablespoons olive oil, $1 / 4$ cup vinegar, scant; 2 tablespoons tomato paste; $1 / 2$ cup Madeira or tawny Port; 4 cups prepared brown sauce; 8 peppercorns, crushed; $1 / 4$ cup dry white wine; 2
tablespoons butter. Method: Strain the marinade u. for the venison, reserving 1 cup the liquid. Drain the vegetab thoroughly and brown them in olive oil. Drain the oil and add vinegar and $1 / 2$ cup of the marina Reduce the mixture by simmeri to one-third. Add the tom: paste, the Madeira or Port, and brown sauce. Bring to a boil, duce the heat, and simmer for minutes, stirring occasionally a skimming the surface. Add crushed peppercorns and cook 10 minutes longer. Strain into clean saucepan. Add the rema ing $1 / 2$ cup reserved marina liquid. Simmer for 30 minut skimming it carefully. Deglaze t pan in which the venison $w$ roasted with the white wine. A the white wine to the sauce a cook for 5 minutes more. Stra again and stir in the butter make the sauce shiny.

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