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Notes on music

The new year brings predictable trends in at least two directions. We are apt to see more packaged editions of records (like the combined works of a novelist) and to hear more binaural sounds, similar to the first-hand sounds of the orchestra pit, in our living rooms.

IN PACKAGES: In the early days of 78-rpm recordings, many enthusiasts who knew little of the Dewey Decimal library system bought empty albums for classifying the loose records in their growing music libraries. Last season's special limited edition of Beethoven's *Nine Symphonies*, recorded by Arturo Toscanini and the NBC Symphony for RCA Victor might be considered a version of the same idea. It was handsomely boxed and, of course, obviously classified for a Beethoven section of a record library. This year we see a more elaborate treatment of Respighi's *Pines of Rome* and *Fountains of Rome*, also recorded by Toscanini for Victor. The 12-inch record slips into a beautifully illustrated album with an essay on the Eternal City by Vincent Sheean. As you listen to the music, you may browse through the bound text and photographs of the fountains and trees which inspired the music. Even with this modest beginning, RCA Victor may be responsible for reviving the speculative essay, an almost forgotten literary form.

The fact that both Victor and Columbia have followed the Metropolitan Opera's precedent in pairing Mascagni's *Cavalleria Rusticana* and Leoncavallo's *Pagliacci* indicates a trend toward single boxed editions of an evening of opera, similar to the complete program you would hear if you attended the Met.

Another straw in the wind is the assignment of watercolorist Charles Burchfield to design the jacket for Toscanini's recording of Dvorak's *Symphony No. 5* (from the *New World Suite*). Perhaps it is inevitable that our long-playing, non-breakable records be enveloped in works of art.

Capitol's long-playing potpourri, *A Study in High Fidelity*, may be had for \$6.75 with an explanatory booklet by Charles Fowler, editor of *High Fidelity* magazine. It backs up such popular selections as *The Continental*, *Fog Horn Boogie* and *The Song from Moulin Rouge* by assorted orchestras with more serious excerpts from Glazounov's *The Seasons*, Ernest Bloch's *Concerto Grosso* and Aaron Copland's *Rodeo*.

Some of the new boxed editions are also available in thrift packages for music lovers on a budget. Angel Records offers two-priced packages of many of its fine releases (at approximately \$1-a-record difference in cost). The special edition of the Old Vic recording of T. S. Eliot's *Murder in the Cathedral* contains photographs and descriptive material on Canterbury, for which the poetic drama was written and where it was originally performed. The *La Scala Tosca* album includes a complete libretto, photographs of the stars and the recording session, and such items of additional interest as Alexander Benois' sketches for the décor, photographs of the Church of Sant' Andrea della Valle and of the Farnese Palace where

the opera is actually supposed to take place. Appropriate old prints illustrate Tchaikovsky's *Swan Lake* and *Sleeping Beauty*; Natalie Gontcharova's original costume sketch is included for Rimsky-Korsakoff's *Coq d'Or*, as is the Toulouse-Lautrec portrait drawing of Oscar Wilde for *The Importance of Being Earnest* with Sir John Gielgud. All of these recordings are available in the thrift package without the supplementary photographs and explanatory text.

Following the success of its white-bound limited edition of Glenn Miller recordings (which sold out the entire 80,000 copies), RCA Victor has introduced a special Artie Shaw album of special pressings made at the Café Rouge of the Hotel Pennsylvania (now New York Statler) and elsewhere. Like the Glenn Miller collection, this includes a descriptive booklet and the bandleader's facsimile autograph.

Columbia, which recorded albums of *Show Boat* and *South Pacific*, has compiled a hit collection for Broadway musical-lovers under the title, *Front Row Center*. Scores from nine favorites (*Pal Joey*, *Girl Crazy*, *Babes in Arms*, *Oklahoma!*, *On Your Toes*, *Bandwagon*, *Anything Goes*, *Roberta* and *Porgy and Bess*) are included in the package at \$34.95, or may be purchased separately on long-playing single discs.

For another section of the home-entertainment library, Columbia has recorded a literary series for which 12 celebrated authors including Somerset Maugham, Edna Ferber, Truman Capote, William Saroyan, John Steinbeck and the Sitwells read their own works. This packaged edition which comes in a handsome leather carrying case for \$100 also includes a book with biographical sketches and pictures of the authors.

ABOUT BINAURAL: Binaural sound, which literally means hearing with both ears, has been called the new dimension in high-fidelity. It is often likened to 3-dimensional films. To hear with both ears requires that music recorded on two microphones be played back by two phonograph pickups, be amplified by twin-channel amplifiers and reproduced by two loudspeakers placed approximately as far apart as the microphones in the original recording. What results is the sensation of being one step closer to actual presence in the concert hall.

The only complete binaural system now on the market is made by Asco (115 W. 45th Street, New York) and costs \$675. However any ordinary sound system can be adapted for binaural sound if it has a separate speaker. One must add a binaural arm (with diamond pickup, \$90), a manual turntable (\$60), another speaker (\$70 and up), and a separate amplifier (\$37 and up).

For this system there are special records (costing a little more than the average long-playing discs) of which more than 30 are already available. Cook Laboratories in Stamford, Connecticut, a pioneer in the field, offers a catalogue which lists an interesting range from New Orleans jazz to Mozart's *Symphony No. 40*, Carlos Montoya and his guitar, sounds of a

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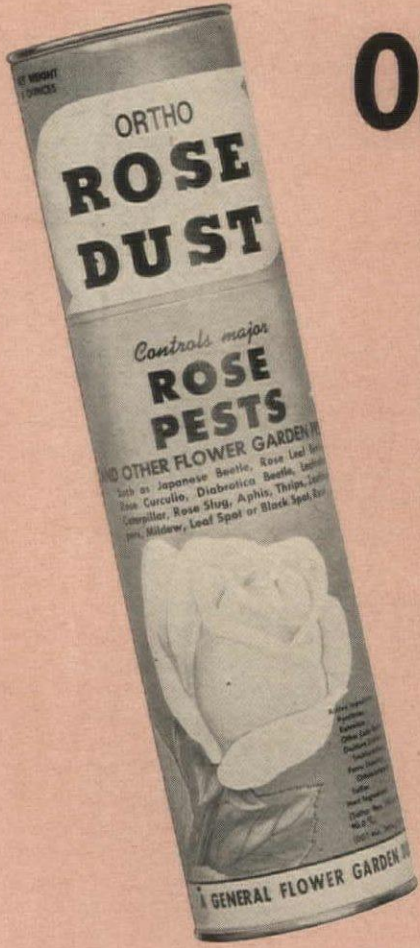
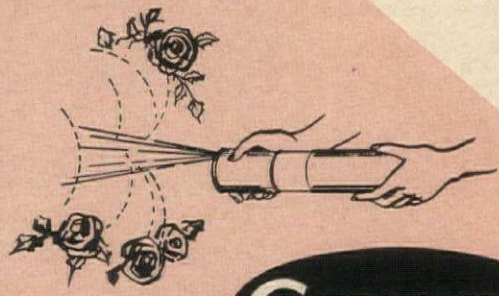


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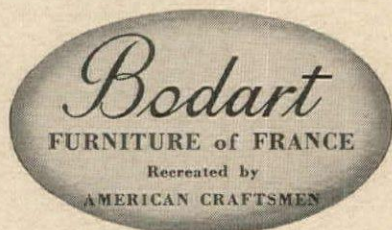
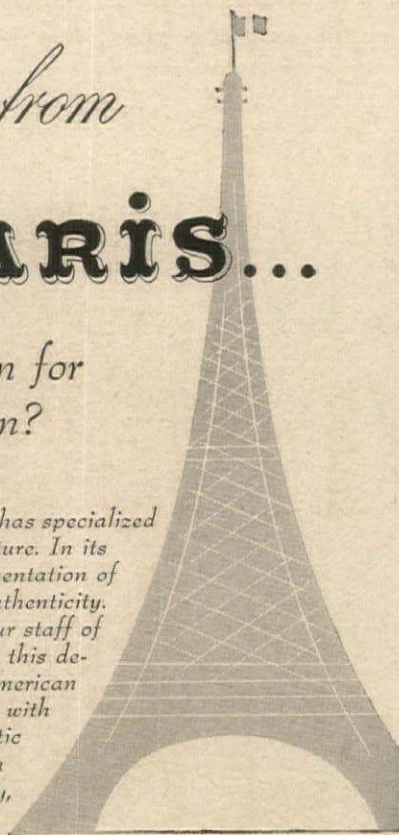
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Open season on canning

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Any woman who likes to cook sooner or later succumbs to the urge to can and preserve fruits and vegetables. Whether she grows them herself or buys them there's no reason to limit the canning season to the time when strawberries are ripe and peaches at their best. In mid-winter anyone can turn a hand to the variety of tempting jellies and preserves made of limes, pomegranates and kumquats, which complement the flavor of lamb, chicken and roast beef. You can add cranberry chutney and orange relish to your larder to lace curry dishes. You can put up pickles for your cocktail tray. The following recipes will lengthen your canning year and add extra zest to your menus.

Lime jelly

Most of the limes on the market now come from Mexico and the West Indies. They are in season all year but are most plentiful in the spring. There are two kinds: the Persian or seedless lime and the Santo Dominican. The best limes are green in color and heavy. Deep yellow-colored limes do not have the desired acidity.

Grated rind of 5 limes
¾ cup lime juice (8-10 limes)
4 cups sugar
1¾ cups water
Green vegetable coloring
½ bottle liquid pectin

Grate rind of five limes, squeeze the juice from 8 to 10—enough to make ¾ cup. Add the juice to the grated rind and let stand 10 minutes. Press the juice through a cloth. Measure sugar, juice and water into a large saucepan and mix. Bring to a boil; add coloring to give the desired shade. Add pectin, stirring constantly. Boil vigorously for ½ minute. Remove from fire and skim. Pour quickly into sterile glasses and seal with paraffin. Try serving this with lamb stew.

Pomegranate jelly

4 cups pomegranate juice
(10-12 pomegranates)
7½ cups sugar
1 bottle liquid pectin

Separate and crush the edible portion of pomegranates; do not remove the seeds. Put the fruit in a bag and squeeze out the juice or use an electric blender. If there is not quite enough juice, add a little water to pulp and drip through the bag to obtain desired amount. Measure the sugar and juice. Bring to a rolling boil. Add the pectin and boil vigorously for ½ minute. Remove from fire; skim and pour quickly into sterile glasses. Seal with paraffin. Excellent with chicken or duck.

Preserved whole kumquats

1 qt. kumquats
2½ cups sugar
2 cups water

Remove kumquats from stems. Wash and prick each piece of fruit several times with a darning needle. Cover with water and slowly bring to a boil. Drain.

Make a syrup of the sugar and water. Add the fruit and simmer slowly until fruit is clear—about 2 hours. Pour into a sterile bowl. Let stand overnight to plump. In the morning, drain the syrup from the fruit and boil until thickened. Add fruit; cook gently for 5 minutes. Seal in sterile jars. Recommended with pot roast or roast beef.

Tangelo marmalade

1 lb. peeled tangelos
2 cups sugar
3 cups water

The tangelo is a cross between the tangerine and the grapefruit. It has the loose skin of the tangerine but is more acid and lighter in color. Discard one-half the peel; slice the other half into very thin short pieces. Boil 10 minutes in 4 cups of water; drain. Add fresh water and boil gently until tender. Cut the fruit in cubes; add the water and boil for 20 minutes. Add the cooked peel and the sugar. Boil to the jelling-point, 221° F on a candy thermometer. Skim. Pour into sterile jars and seal with paraffin. This marmalade is a wonderful change for breakfast.

Tangerine jam

2 cups tangerine pulp and juice
1 tsp. grated tangerine rind
1½ cups sugar
Pulp and juice of 1 lemon

Place all ingredients in a saucepan. Boil vigorously until clear and syrupy—about 20 minutes. Pour into sterile jars and seal.

Wine jelly

4 cups port or sherry wine
7 cups sugar
1 bottle liquid pectin
½ cup bourbon whiskey

Bring the sherry and sugar to a rolling boil over a hot fire. Add the pectin; boil for ½ minute. Remove from fire. Skim; add the whiskey. Pour into sterile glasses. Seal with paraffin.

Cranberry chutney

1½ cans or 1½ pounds
whole cranberry sauce
1½ cups vinegar
1 cup brown sugar
¼ lb. seedless raisins
¼ lb. blanched almonds, chopped
1 tsp. garlic salt
1 tsp. ground ginger
½ tsp. red pepper

Mix all ingredients and boil until thick. Pour into sterile jars and seal.

Uncooked orange relish

8 oranges
4 carrots
2 green peppers
2 small onions
2 cups sugar
Few grains salt

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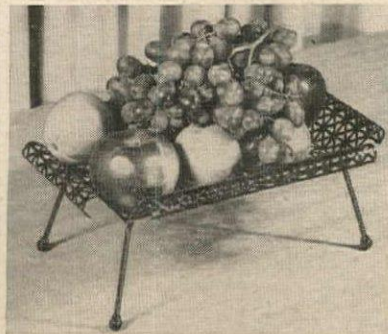
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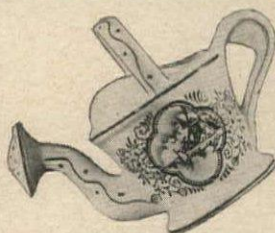
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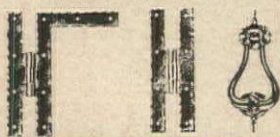
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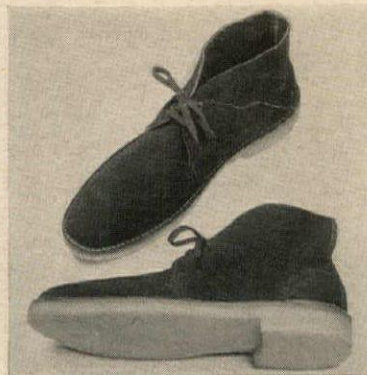
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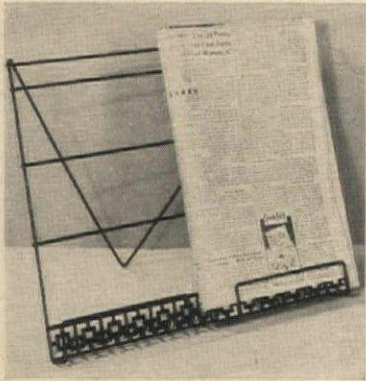


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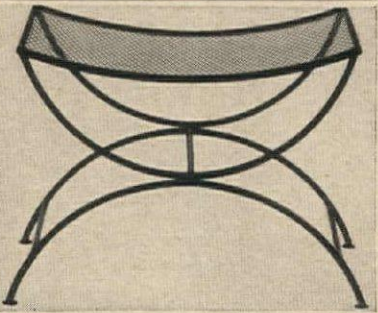
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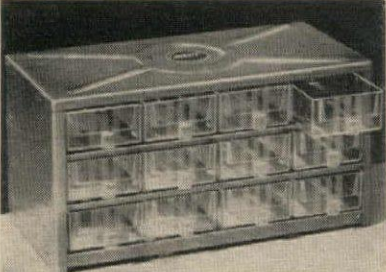
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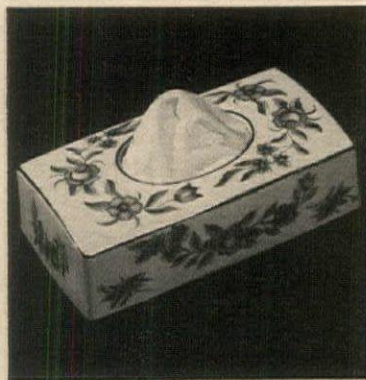


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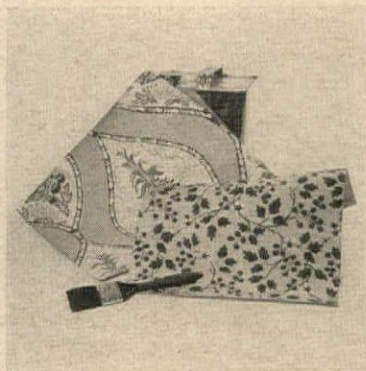
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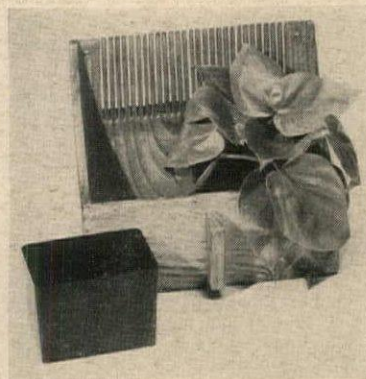
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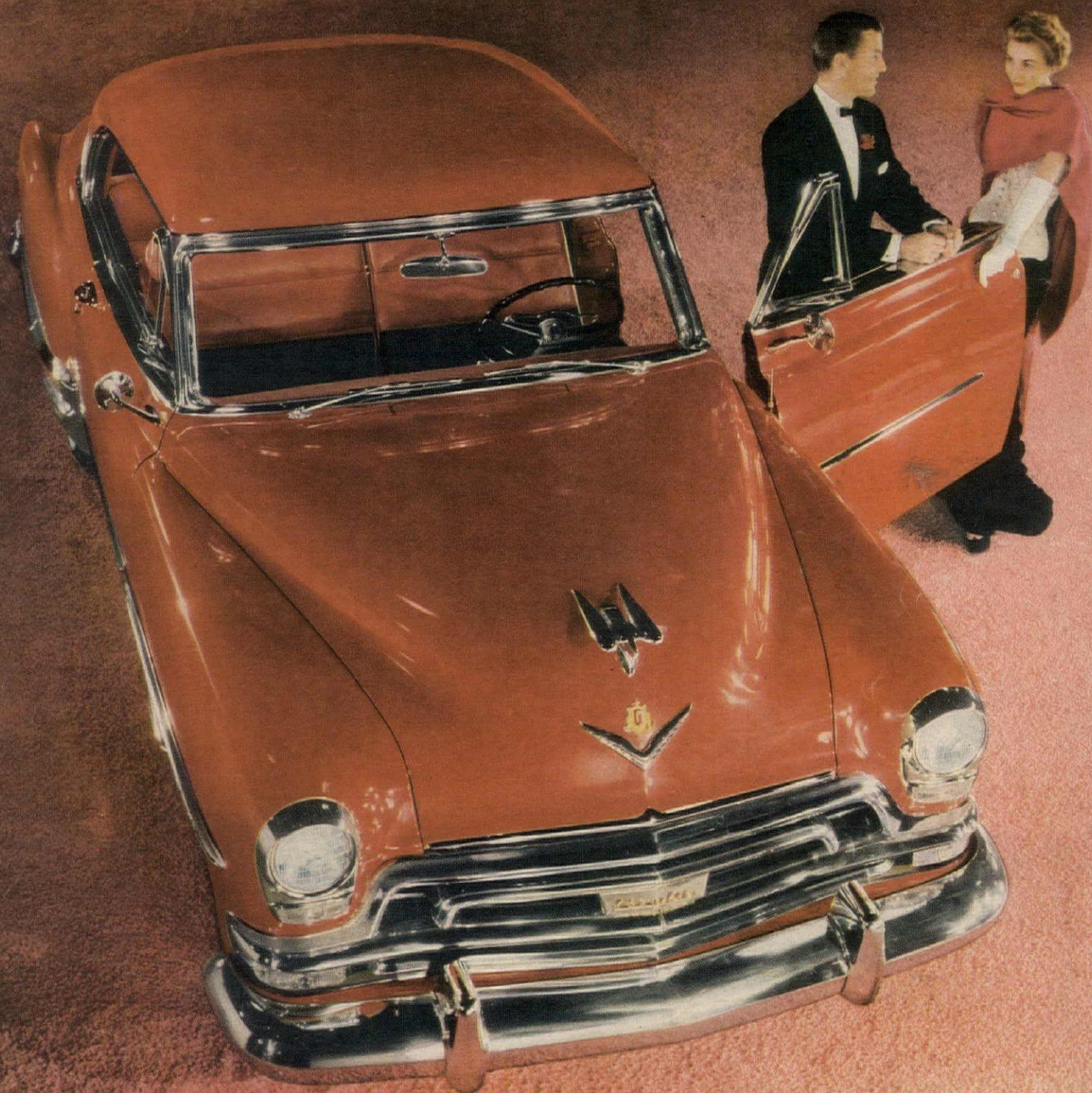
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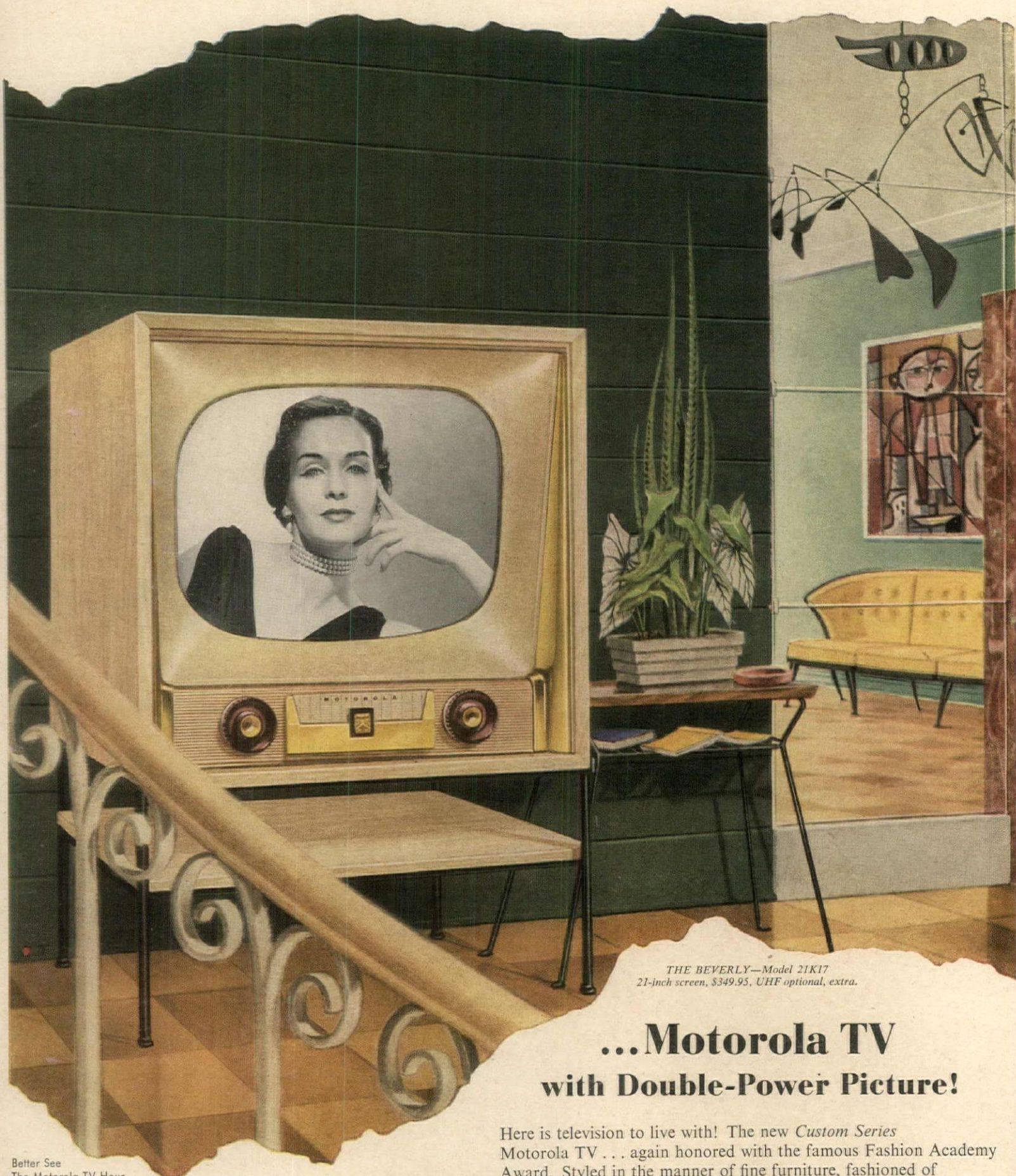
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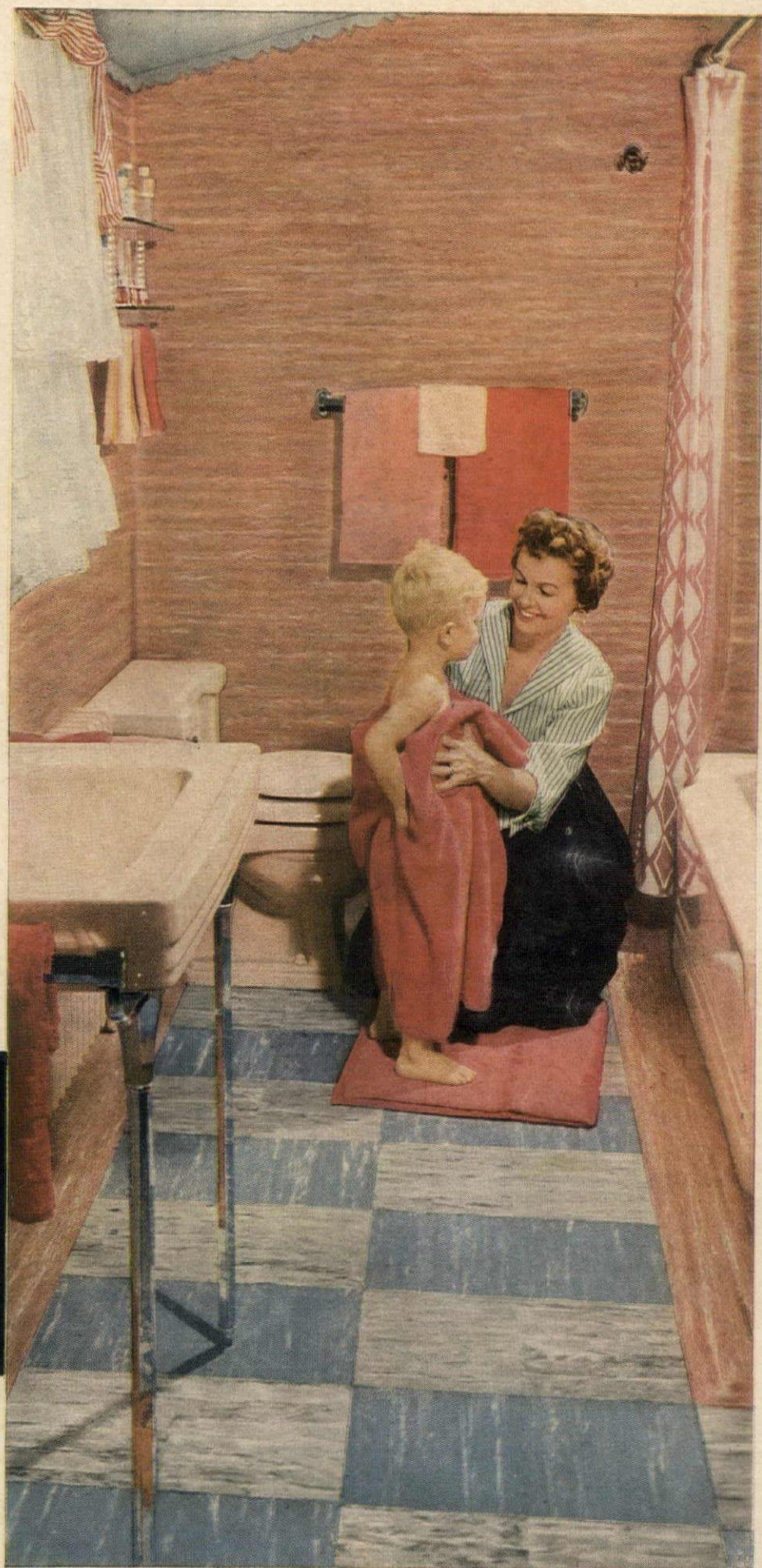
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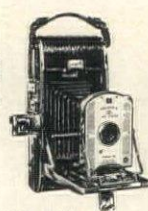
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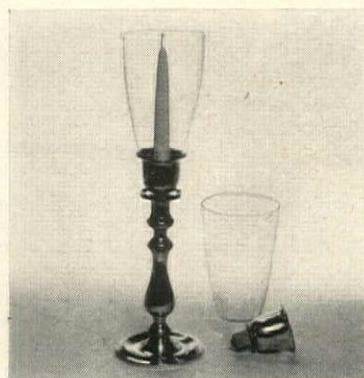
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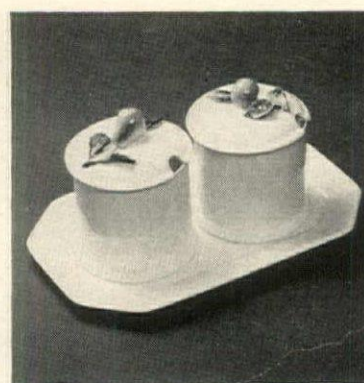
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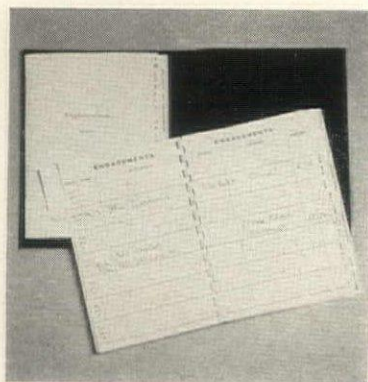
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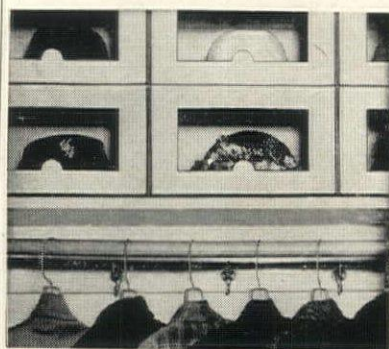
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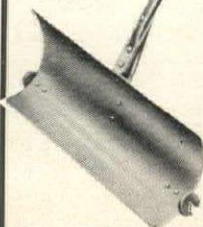
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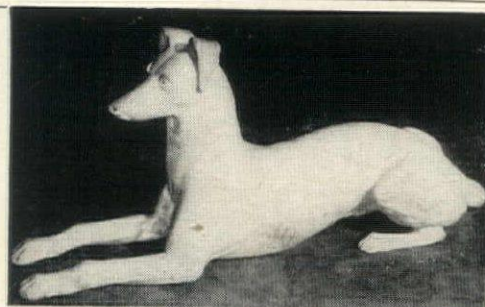
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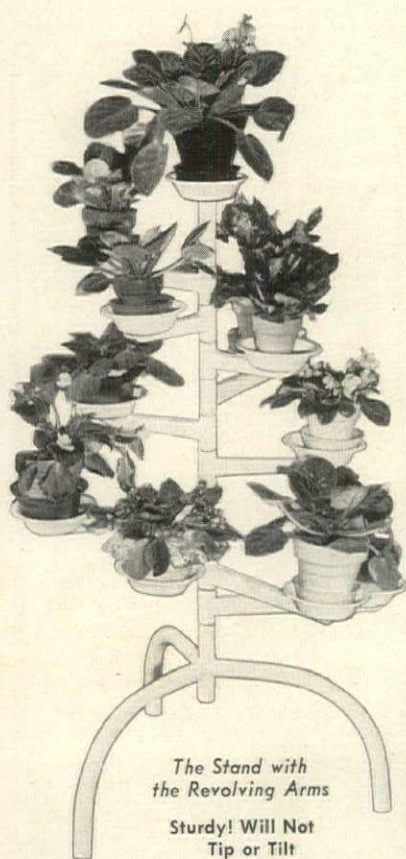
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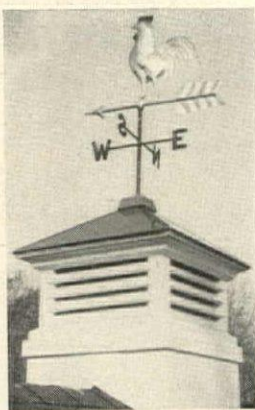
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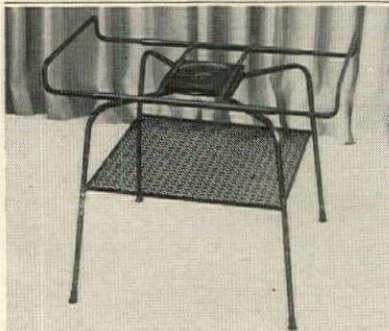


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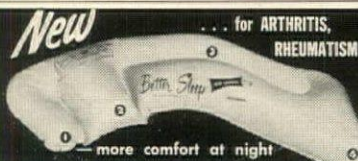
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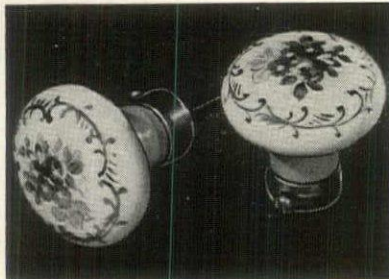
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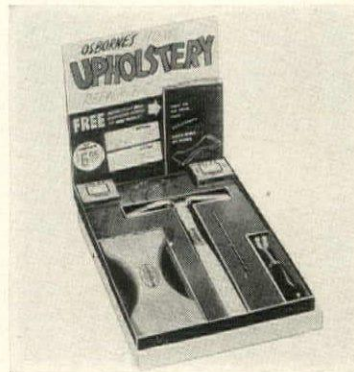
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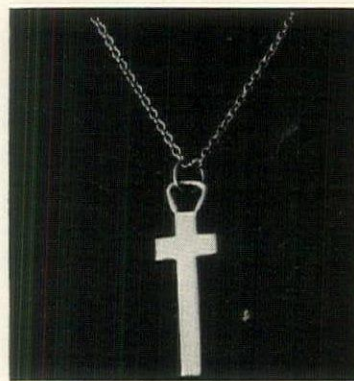
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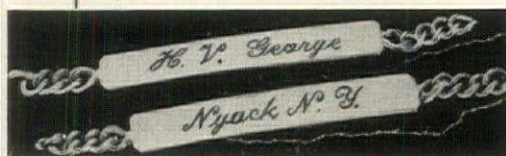
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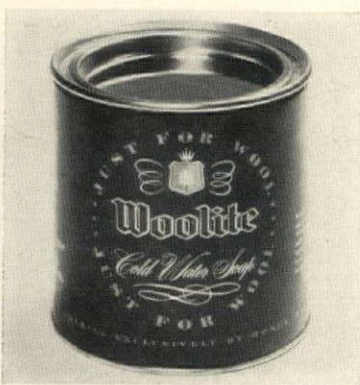
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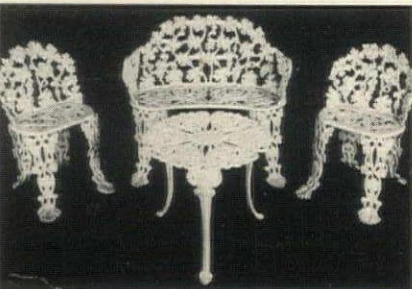
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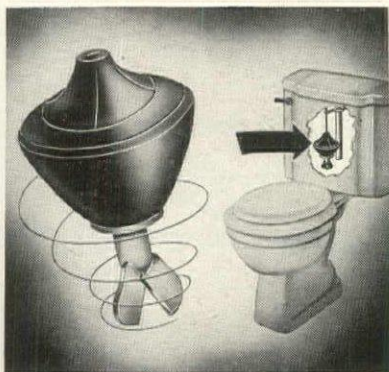
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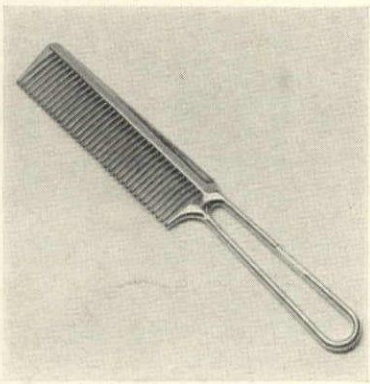
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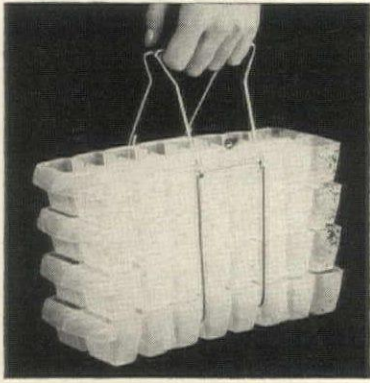
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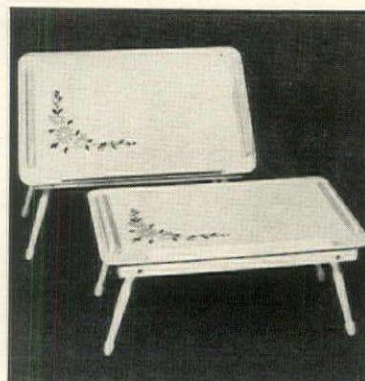
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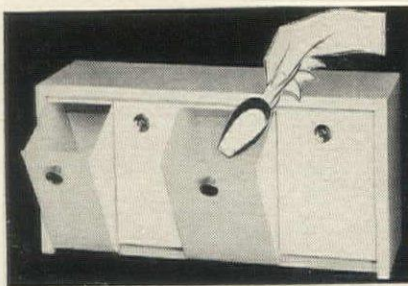
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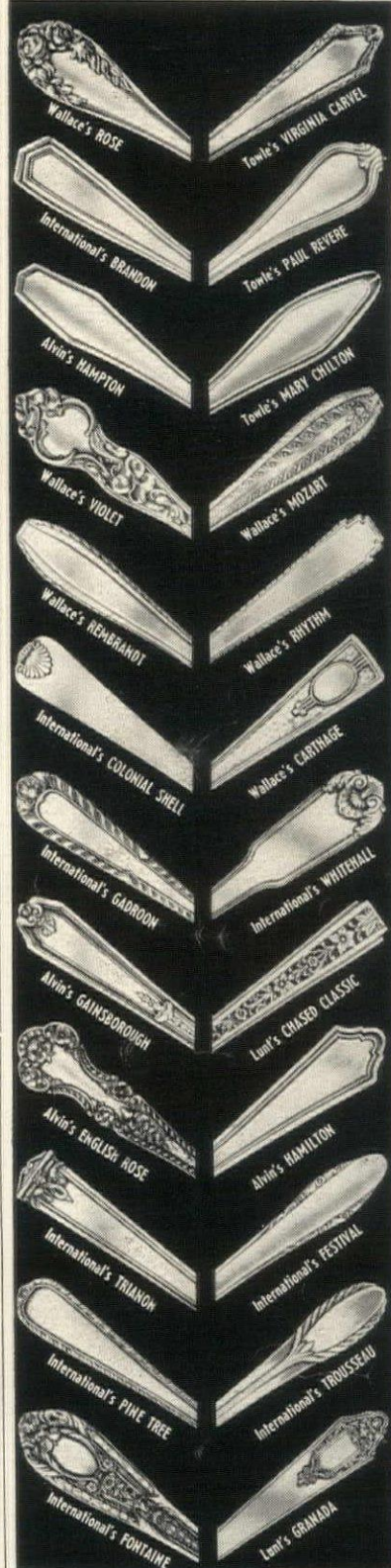
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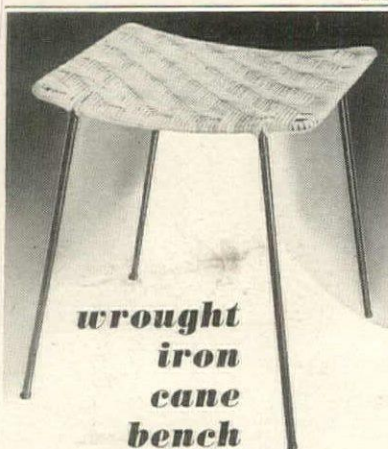
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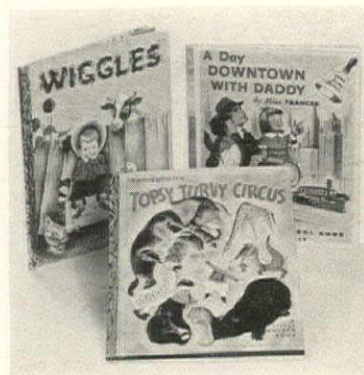
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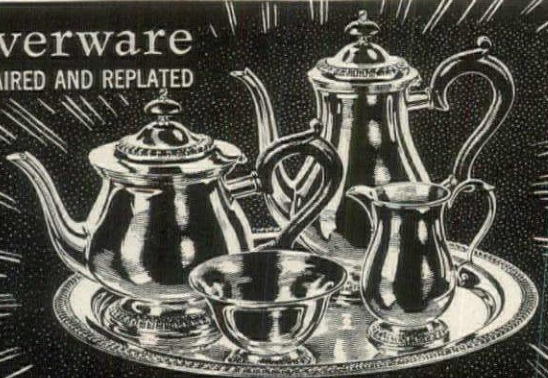
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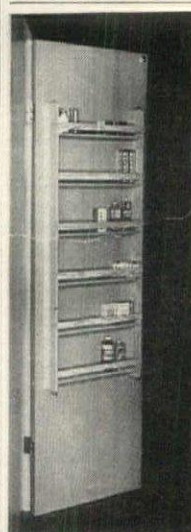
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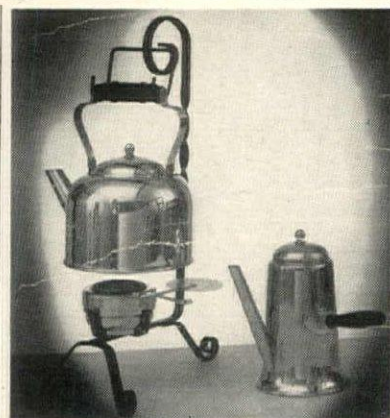
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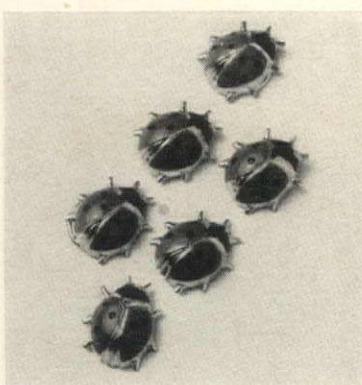
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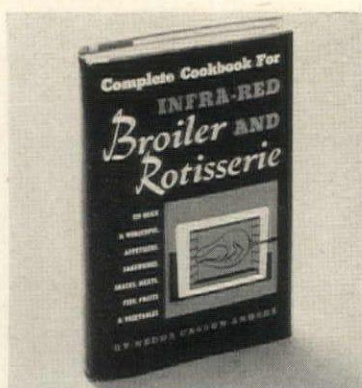
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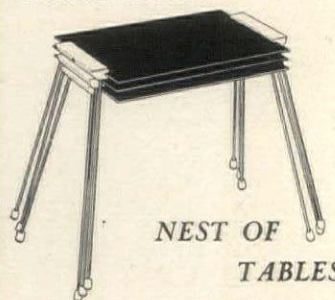
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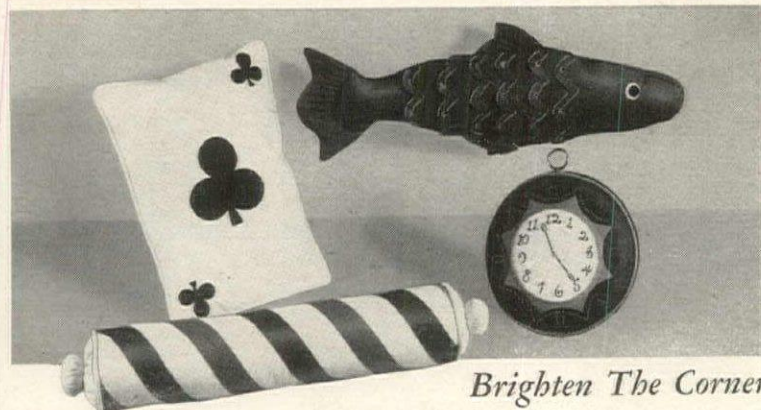
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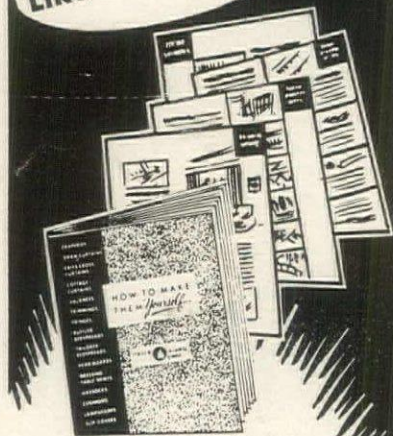
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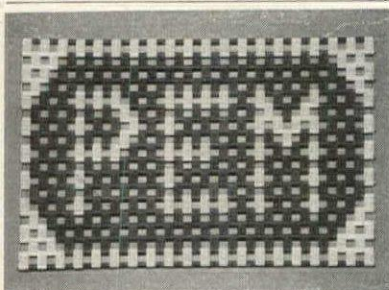
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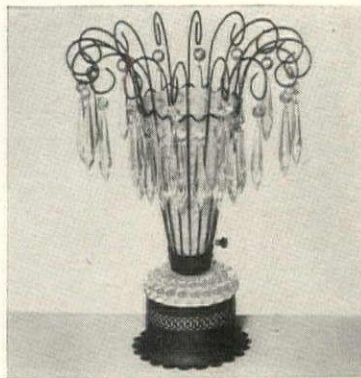
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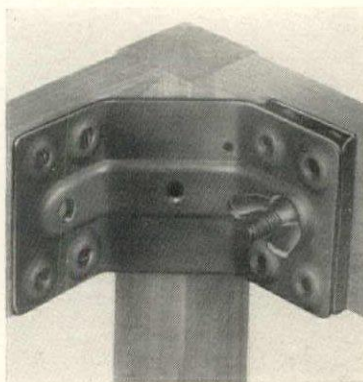
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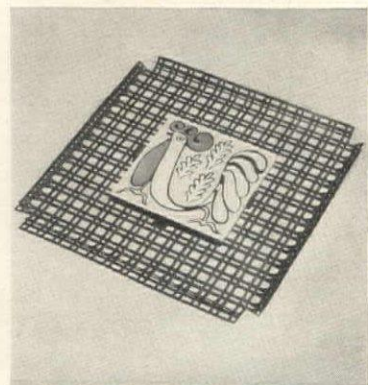
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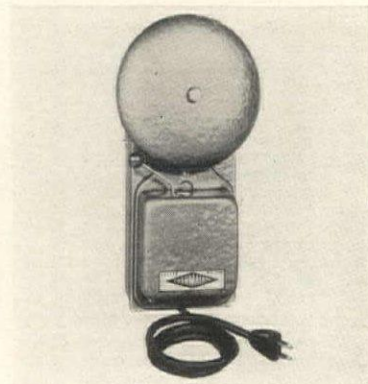
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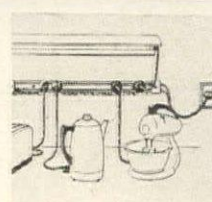
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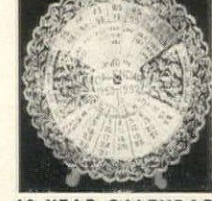
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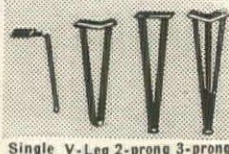


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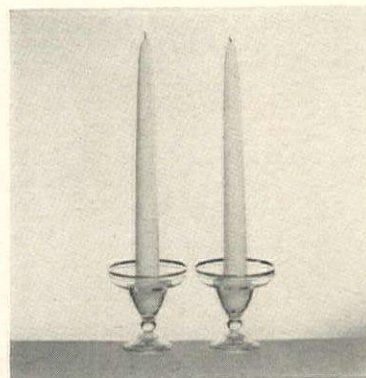
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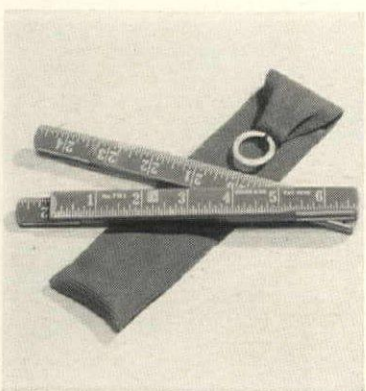


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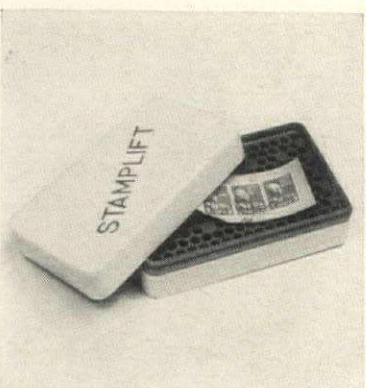
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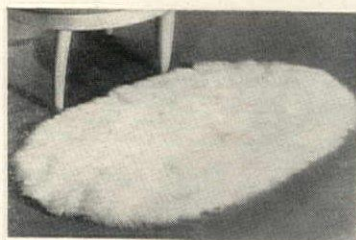
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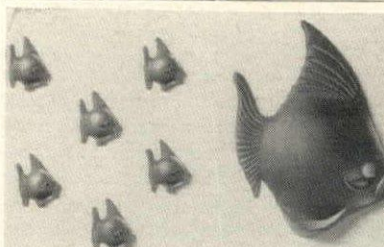


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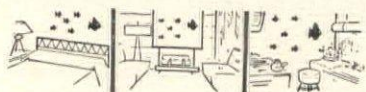
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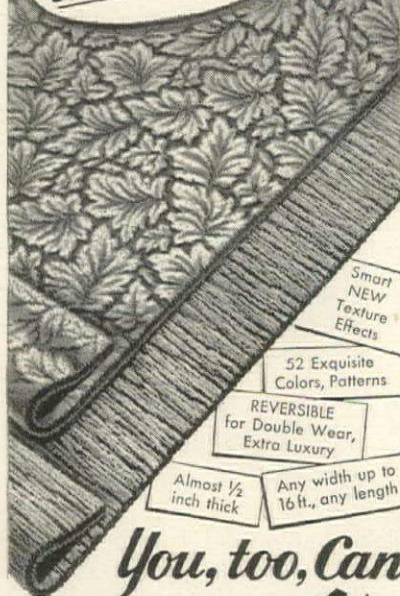
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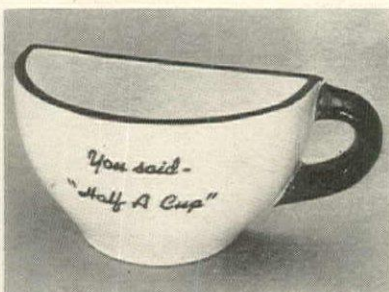
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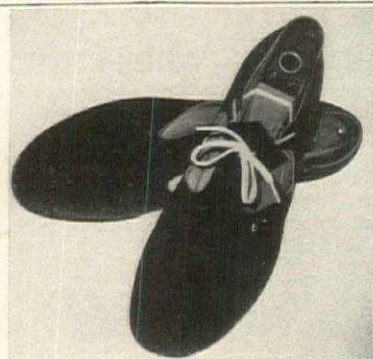
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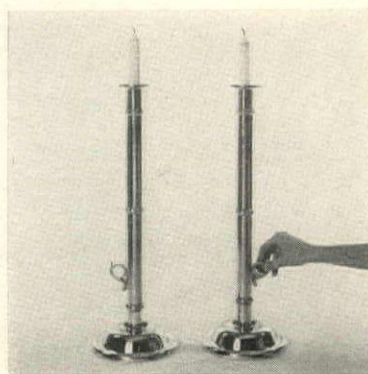


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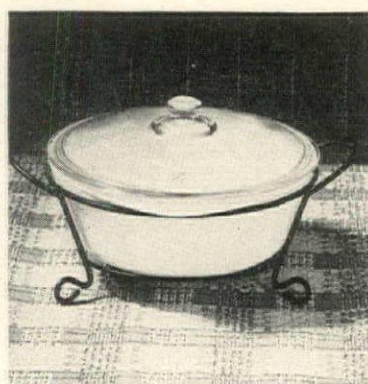
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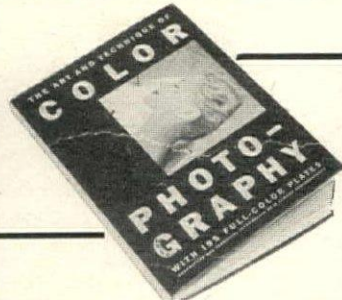


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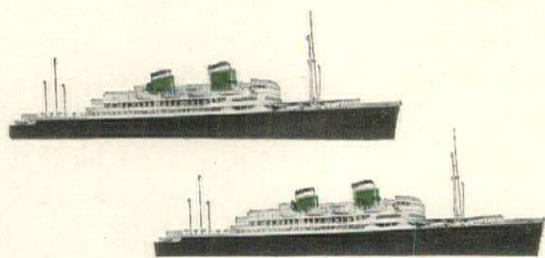
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This landscape is, of course, peopled. Look at one of those stiff, noiseless mountains on a Saturday morning. White dots of men like beads upon a string thread down the trail over the bare humps to the plain. As they come closer you see between them dark-eared asses and twinkling donkeys trotting on fine little feet, under great twin baskets filled with tomatoes and gourds, twin nets of jars looking like misshapen bubbles, twin bundles of faggots neatly cut, or twin sacks of charcoal. Often sitting between the baskets rides a woman with her child tight in the *rebozo* at her breast. Here and there a baby donkey trots after its laden dam.

All over Mexico, down from the mountains, across the plains and out of the valleys, the Indians come to the nearest

important town for the ritual of the market. Although it is one of the commonplaces of Mexican daily life, the native market is of unfailing interest to the foreigner. Mexican shops in the States have familiarized us with many of the objects for sale, but they cannot import the atmosphere, the color and the smells, nor the charm of the Indians as they trade and fraternize. In the markets you will find aspects of Mexican life that have not changed since the days of the Aztecs. And so you will if you are lucky enough to discover a fiesta in Oaxaca, Tehuantepec, Querétaro or on Lake Pátzcuaro; at such ritual-dances as the Plume-dance (Oaxaca) or *Los Voladores*, the flying-pole dance (Papantla, Vera Cruz) you can hear small drum and primitive flute produce hauntingly mournful sounds. On Lake Pátzcuaro you can also hear the Tarascan Indians talking softly in their twittery polysyllabic language as they pole their long dugouts over the still, clear waters. On the isthmus of Tehuantepec you will find the strong, straight-backed women that Miguel Covarrubias, Mexico's great cartoonist and anthropologist, has written so glowingly about in his book *Mexico South*; and in Yucatán you will see Mayans whose profiles are echoes of the sculptured ones of ancient gods.

Then there are the churches. Some ten thousand of them were built during the colonial period, many of them esthetic masterpieces which survive today. In the small villages the church from a physical point of view seems to be the sole reason for the village's existence. For if there were no church there would be no point to make for. Always where there is a church, there is a plaza, a *zócalo*, and there the community life is carried on. Some of the little churches are quite simple, but many others are among the most sumptuously decorated religious edifices in the world, containing acres of gold leaf, tons of silver, copper and bronze and fortunes in rare woods. The largest is the cathedral in Mexico City, reputed to be second in size only to St. Peter's in Rome.

Besides these remarkable Spanish mementos, Mexico contains an impressive array of ancient Indian monuments, including the Toltec pyramids of Teotihuacán, the Aztec Quetzalcoatl Temple, the Zapotec ruins of Mitla and the Mayan cities of Chichén Itzá and Uxmal in Yucatán and Palenque, Chiapas. At the

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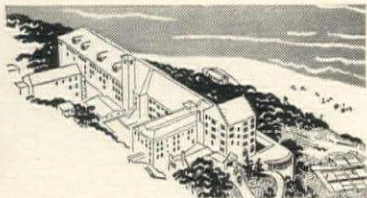


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end of the time scale there is the gigantic new University City, a brilliant fusion of modern building techniques and local materials, and the Jardines del Pedregal, a residential section, both on a lava flow outside Mexico City.

Whatever else you visit in Mexico, you are practically bound to visit the capital. Not only is it a fascinating city, it is the most convenient spot from which to explore the countryside, being pretty much in the center of things. Today you can reach it by car, train or plane.

The old Aztec city of Tenochtitlán was built, like Venice, over water. Canoes filled with flowers glided along its streets, while visitors and goods from the surrounding countryside arrived by way of Texcoco Lake. However, the Spaniards did not care for water. They filled the canals, tore down the temples and houses and created the basis for the present city. Today if you want to drift around in a canoe you will have to visit the floating gardens of Xochimilco, which is no chore as they are truly delightful, though sometimes overcrowded.

Mexico City, a cosmopolitan metropolis, 7,780 feet above sea level, is in the middle of a building boom and great new skyscrapers of brass, glass and colored mortar are elbowing their way up to the sky most everywhere. They do not deter the Indians from squatting on the sidewalks with their babies as they always have and at dusk their rusty gasoline lanterns glimmering beneath the shiny new windows above add one more contrast to the many that compose the Mexican scene.

If you would do as the Mexicans do, eat lunch anytime from half past one to four and dine at nine. The professional bullfights begin at four on Sundays and holidays from November through March. Practically nothing else begins on time so your days can be quite fluid. You might fill them up with visits to the markets to inspect the vegetables, textiles, pottery and flowers, the baskets from Toluca, the bubble glass from Puebla, old ironwork, Casuro records and smartly designed huaraches. Or you may drive down the Paseo de la Reforma to Chapultepec, Mexico's Bois de Boulogne, where crowds of bright-colored, sun-dappled figures move beneath the trees. Ride up Grasshopper Hill to the Castle of Chapultepec for a breathtaking view. For suburban excursions there are the aforementioned Jardines del Pedregal and University City, the Sanctuary of Guadalupe, the Pyramids of Teotihuacán, Quetzalcoatl Temple, Chapingo, the National Agricultural School where Diego Rivera's greatest frescoes line the walls of a former chapel, and Fortín de las Flores, an overwhelming mass of gardenias, bougainvillea and orchids. You may cushion your stay between excursions at such hotels as the Del Prado, Reforma, Genève, Ritz, and Regis.

The standard tourist run outside of the capital is Cuernavaca-Taxco-Acapulco, of which the middle town is definitely the most picturesque. Cuernavaca was popularized first by the Aztec emperors, then by Cortés, and

later by Emperor Maximilian and Carlotta. It is still a favorite with visiting barons from the United States and Mexico who have settled in magnificent estates replete with swimming pools. In fact, settling seems to be the best thing to do around there, for there is very little for the itinerant to do after he has inspected the Cathedral, Cortés' white house, now the Posada la Casona, and the murals by Diego Rivera in the Palacio Cortés, now the State capitol. Two places in the vicinity where it would be easy to settle forever are the Hotel Mandel, a sprawling affair with a swimming pool and drooping trees, and the Hacienda Vista Hermosa, where the swimming pool is built under the arches of an old aqueduct and you open the door to your room with a great Spanish key.

Taxco, tumbling down the mountainside, is reminiscent of Capri minus the sea. Its architectural glory is the rose-hued church of Santa Prisca, and the streets are lined with shops full of silver, tinware and sometimes paintings and furniture. The highest hotel is the Victoria with its broad stone dining terrace looking into the town.

The road from Cuernavaca and Taxco slips into the sea at Acapulco, a bay of great natural beauty, overcrowded with nightclubs, villas and hotels, some of them very splashy indeed. There is a morning and an afternoon beach, although nobody seems to pay much attention to protocol as both are continuously occupied. The water is as warm as baby's milk and the sand on the beach is hotter. Consequently most people lie around in states of apparent collapse. But in the evening things cool off, and everybody gets extremely lively (over at the Copacabana they shed their shoes and stockings to dance on the beach with water lapping their toes). If you like the gay life and tropical heat, Acapulco is the place for you, and you can enjoy it in style at the Caleta or the Hotel de las Américas, to name but two of the many hotels.

Guadalajara, whose soft liquid syllables signify 'river of stones,' is an aristocratic old Spanish city, 380 miles northwest of Mexico City, in the midst of low, gently rolling hills. Go there in the spring if you can when there is always sparkling sunlight and a fresh, invigorating tang in the air. Drive there over the Mexico City-Guadalajara Highway and enjoy a six-hour trip over sky-piercing sierras, through well-cultivated valleys, past colorful Toluca, and its snow-capped volcano, and past Morelia, the picturesque capital of Michoacán. History has laid a gentler hand on Guadalajara than on most Mexican cities, permitting it to pursue its own aristocratic, slightly remote destiny in a land of abrupt and lighting changes. Among Guadalajara's undisturbed architectural features is the sumptuous and bizarre cathedral which includes Gothic, Tuscan, Arabic, Mudéjar, Corinthian, Byzantine and Doric elements. Southeast of Guadalajara lies the new volcano, Parícutin, while scattered between that city and the capital are the delightful villages of Ocotlán, Celaya and Querétaro, each

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bagpipe band, the harp, a flute, the barrel-house piano, the organ in Boston's Symphony Hall, and such novelties as *Rail Dynamics*, a collection of sounds recorded along the tracks of the New York Central on a rainy night, and a fantasy of sounds related to the ocean, called *Voice of the Sea*.

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of which should be visited by anyone interested in colonial religious architecture. Northwest of Guadalajara lies Mazatlán, a charming gulf town which must look somewhat as Acapulco did before it was 'discovered.'

Transportation

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vegetables. Combine with the sugar and salt. Mix until sugar is all dissolved. Pour into sterile jars. Refrigerate. Serve with a curried dish.

Cocktail pickles

- 2½ lbs. sugar
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1½ cups cider vinegar
- ½ cup tarragon vinegar
- 2 tbsps. allspice
- 1½ tbsps. peppercorns
- 3 cloves garlic
- 2 qts. dill pickles
- ¼ cup olive oil

Bring to a boil and boil vigorously for 5 minutes the sugar, brown sugar, cider vinegar, tarragon vinegar, allspice and peppercorns. Let cool and add the crushed garlic. Cut pickles in 1-inch rounds and put in a crock. When vinegar mixture is cool pour over the pickles. Add the olive oil and stir. Cover. Stir every day for 10 days

using a wooden spoon. Pickles can be sealed in sterile jars or kept in crock. Note: Use at table or impale on toothpicks and place on appetizer tray.

Pickled pineapple

- 1 pineapple
- 2 lbs. sugar
- 2 cups water
- 1 tbsp. cassia buds
- 4 whole cloves
- Peel of 1 orange—sliced
- 2-inch stick of cinnamon

Pare and core pineapple; cut in thin slices and then in quarters. Boil for 10 minutes the sugar, water, spices and orange rind cut in thin strips. Add the pineapple, cook for 10 minutes. For three mornings drain syrup from pineapple, bring to the boil and then pour over the fruit. Fill jars and seal. This is particularly good with baked beans.

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ON THE COVER: Ancient Rome is echoed in a contemporary bathroom (described on page 84). Above the tile dado of the tub, a *trompe l'oeil* mural by Jay Gresham gives a vision of distance that lends enchantment. Towels, soaps and sponges are bright punctuation points. The Harlequin Look, a gay decorating trend introduced by HOUSE & GARDEN, is indicated here in a gold-and-white shower curtain. Inspired by a 15th-century Venetian motif, the Harlequin Look is described on page 72. Shower curtain and towels at Lord & Taylor, N. Y. Photograph, Haanel Cassidy.

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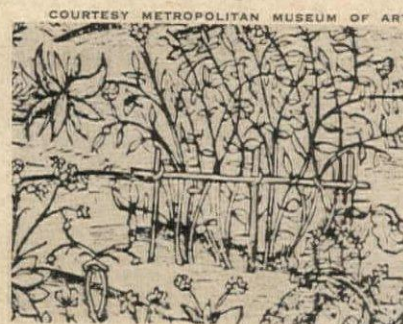
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The American idea, 1954

The pictures on this page bear out Carlyle's theory that nothing worthy ever disappears. Many of our newest ideas in living evolve from modes and manners of other times and other places. The grandeur that was Rome reappears in a contemporary version of a Roman bath. Carnival colors of 15th-century Venice become today's Harlequin Look.

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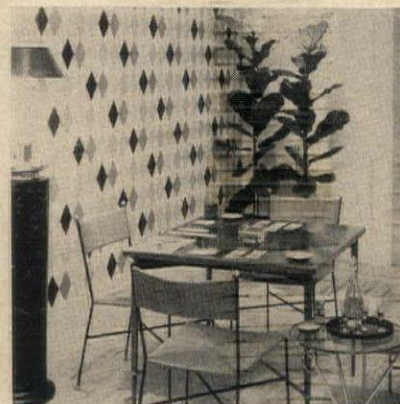
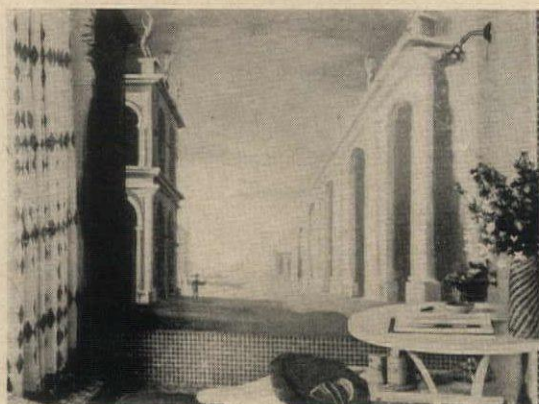
gardening into a game. These are the warp and woof of the

American Idea, 1954. We Americans have a special way of looking at life.

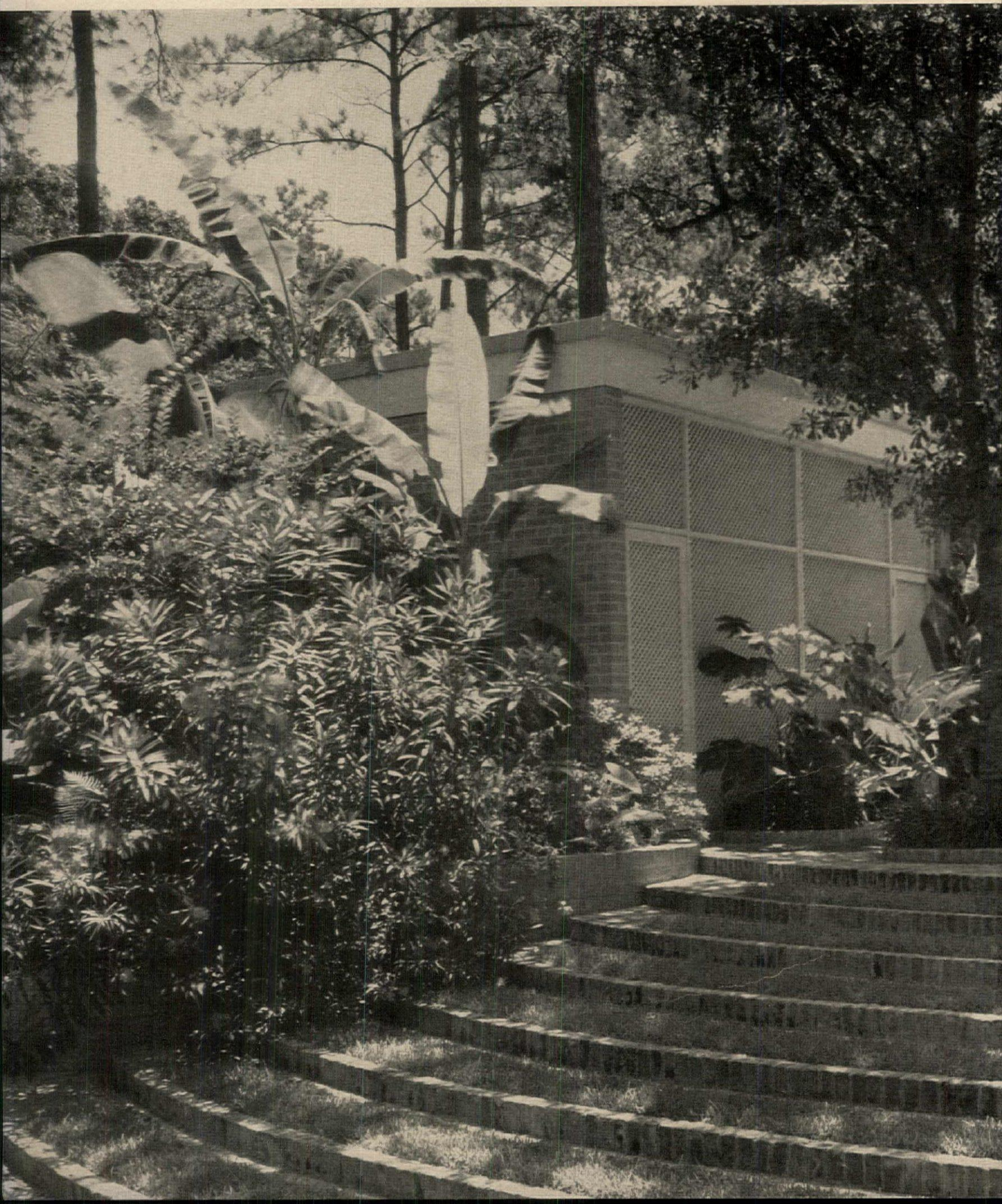
We don with equal aplomb blue jeans or black ties. We are apt to spend Saturday

morning painting the kitchen, Saturday night listening to the opera. In short,

we live as we please, enjoying the best of past and present. ALBERT KORNFELD



Texas has taste



Texas, to most of us, means longhorns and raw land, oil derricks and the Rio Grande. In this issue, House & Garden brings you another view of this romantic State: the Texas that lives with taste, mixing old and new with a free hand and a light heart.

TOM LEONARD



In Texas, an air-conditioned villa

The Romans would have loved Texas. The fact that Texas tempts one to do as the Romans did is ample proof. For one thing, modern Texas, like ancient Rome, has never wanted for space. This makes it possible to spread the rooms of a house around an inner patio and swimming pool (the modern version of a peristyle) very much like the villas of nearly 20 centuries ago. The one-story brick house you see here (and on the preceding two pages) traces its lineage to those villas. Where architect Hugo V. Neuhaus, Jr. has improved on the original mold is in its transparency. In this Houston house, which he designed for himself and Mrs. Neuhaus, clear panels of glass are all that separate the living room, dining room and master bedroom from the water's edge, and part of these slide back so that one may dive right into the pool. This means that the outdoors can be fully enjoyed during summer months from an air-conditioned vantage point indoors. Beyond the pool is a spacious patio, linked to a lower lawn by the dramatic grass steps you see on pages 50, 51. Partly terrazzo and partly brick, this patio reaches some 50 or 60 feet in any direction and easily accommodates 50 guests for dancing or outdoor supper parties. At its edge is a final convenience for an idyllic outdoor life, a guest bathhouse. *(Continued on page 114)*



Low-scaled furniture protects living-room outlook on pool and patio at right, high trees and bushes beyond window at left

Opposite: Pool begins where living room ends; glass panel at left opens





Tunis in Texas: pavilions by a freeform pool create a colorful oasis

TOM LEON

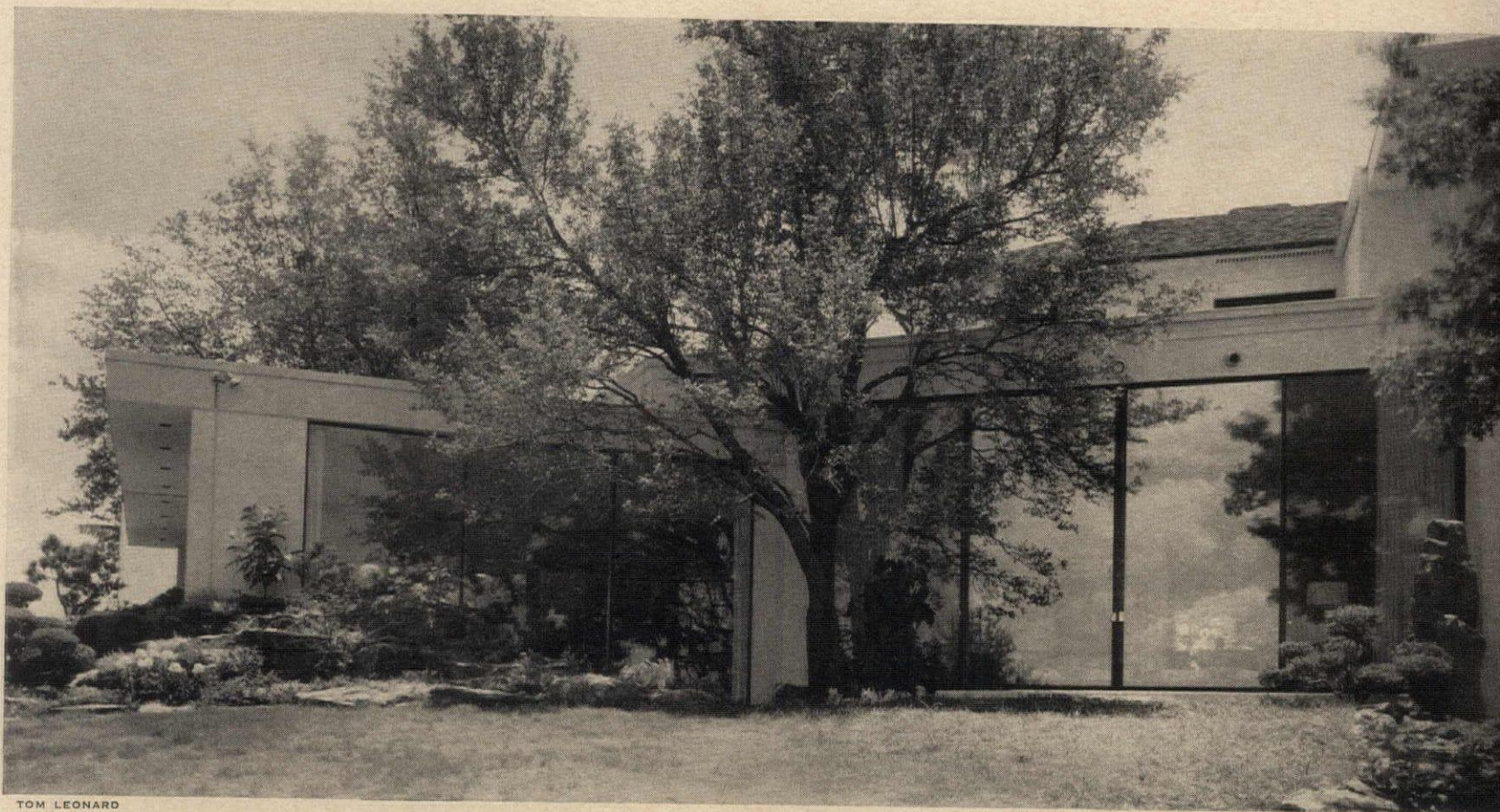
The pavilion look in Dallas

You may live in Texas, which has one-third the coastline of California, and still live 300 miles from the sea. For this reason, Texans are apt to create something of a private beach under their own roofs. The shore line may be the freeform outline of a pool, a terrace replaces a dune, a pavilion is the inland version of a seaside cabaña, but the result is as tempting a design for outdoor living as any you'll find in Hobe Sound or Havana. Mr. and Mrs. Reagan J. Caraways' plan for a terry-cloth life in suburban Dallas is easy to picture from the serene setting opposite. A few minutes' walk down a winding path from their house is a freeform pool, roughly 65 feet long, which tempts one to think in terms of a spread-eagle dive. A fringed and tasseled pavilion, like a big Arabian tent, provides escape from the sun, while merging with a low brick wall is a pool house, converted from an existing building by architect John Astin Perkins, and almost hidden by honeysuckle and leafy shrubbery. The landscaping, created by Lambert Landscape Company, adroitly enhances the shape of the pool. *(Continued on page 116)*



A fringed sunshade presides over low black lacquer tables set for lunch at the poolside





Air-conditioned living rooms escape the heat, explore the view through window walls

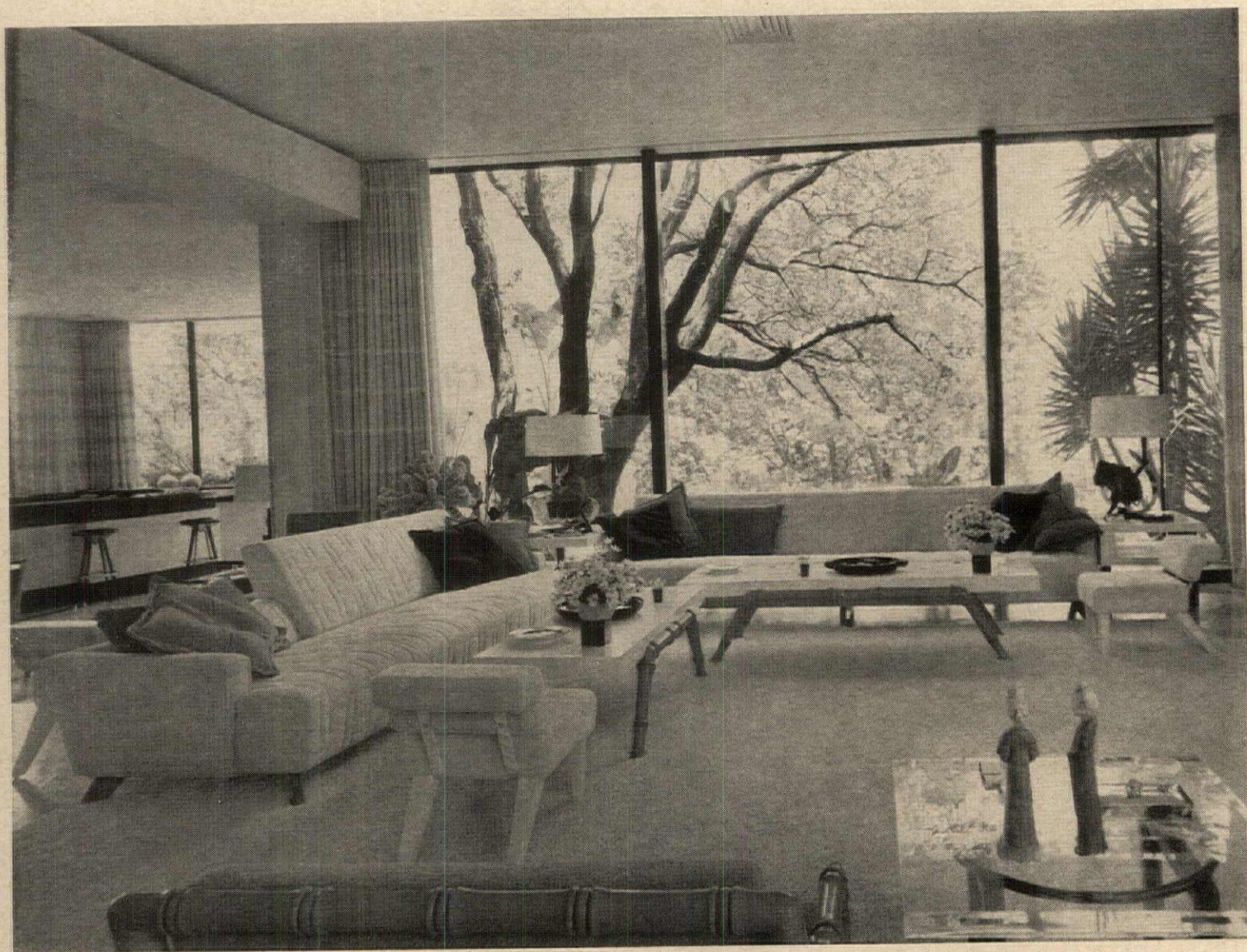
A Fort Worth house with a Far East flavor

On a hilltop overlooking Fort Worth, the glass-walled rooms of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Windfohrs' house are fabulous front-row seats for the sweeping panorama of Texas. With only a sheet of glass between them and the outdoors, these rooms are like Oriental scrolls that frame vast scenic views: massive oak trees silhouetted against smooth sloping hills and vibrant blue skies. In the mood of the Far East, the decoration is designed so that your eyes can turn from the opulence of the outdoors to the restfulness of indoor pockets of greenery. At every turn there is a remarkable piece of sculpture or a grouping of plants as thoughtfully planned as any *tokonoma* (alcove) in a Japanese household. Paintings by Picasso and Roualt hang on the long wall of the gallery and the mirrored wall of the game room, while many fine pieces of Chinese sculpture emphasize the Far East flavor. The variety of glistening leathers, quilted silks, hand-woven velvets and textured fabrics would make Aladdin rub his eyes. All this, plus travertine walls and terrazzo floors, lacquered bamboo and tamo wood furniture, underlined by white area rugs, provides an infinite variety of delightful textures for the eye to dwell on.

When designer William Haines planned these rooms, he created a kind of dotted line between indoors and outdoors, (Continued on next page)

Opposite

In early spring and late fall, small flagstone terrace is used for entertaining



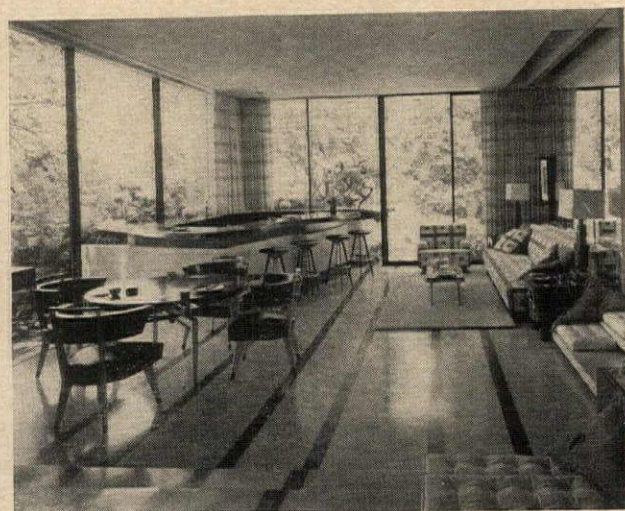
Natural scenic scroll seen through solarium window wall reveals view of old oak tree against a background of rolling hills

(Continued) with the help of Thomas D. Church, landscape architect. Composed of a gallery and a solarium, intersected by a large game room and bar, this wing gives the impression of one continuous open living room reminiscent of a Japanese interior. But whereas the *fusuma* (sliding doors) of a Japanese house usually open onto small enclosed gardens, floor-to-ceiling glass walls enable these rooms to scan the large rolling vistas of Texas. In summer, the magnificent views can be enjoyed indoors in air-conditioned comfort.

In the spirit of Texas, whose motto is friendship, these rooms are designed for hospitality. Every conceivable comfort has been considered. There are deep-seated sofas, armchairs and floor cushions. There is a built-in bar in the game room, made in such a way that it seems to drift out-of-doors. The solarium is dominated by a tranquil Kuan Yin figure. The design of the solarium fireplace was largely determined by the posture of this Chinese figure. Seated upon a stone ledge over the hearth, the Kuan Yin is dramatized by a skylight. A continuous curtain of water flows behind it, and spills down in front of the fireplace into a pool below, giving the solarium the soothing nature of a woodland glen. At the top of the steps where solarium, gallery and game room meet stands Marino Marini's horse and rider. It expresses the strength, the motion, the dynamic urge to unleash the forces of the earth, in short, the power that is Texas.

Opposite

Gallery fans out into the game room two steps below, and the whole area makes one vast entertaining space

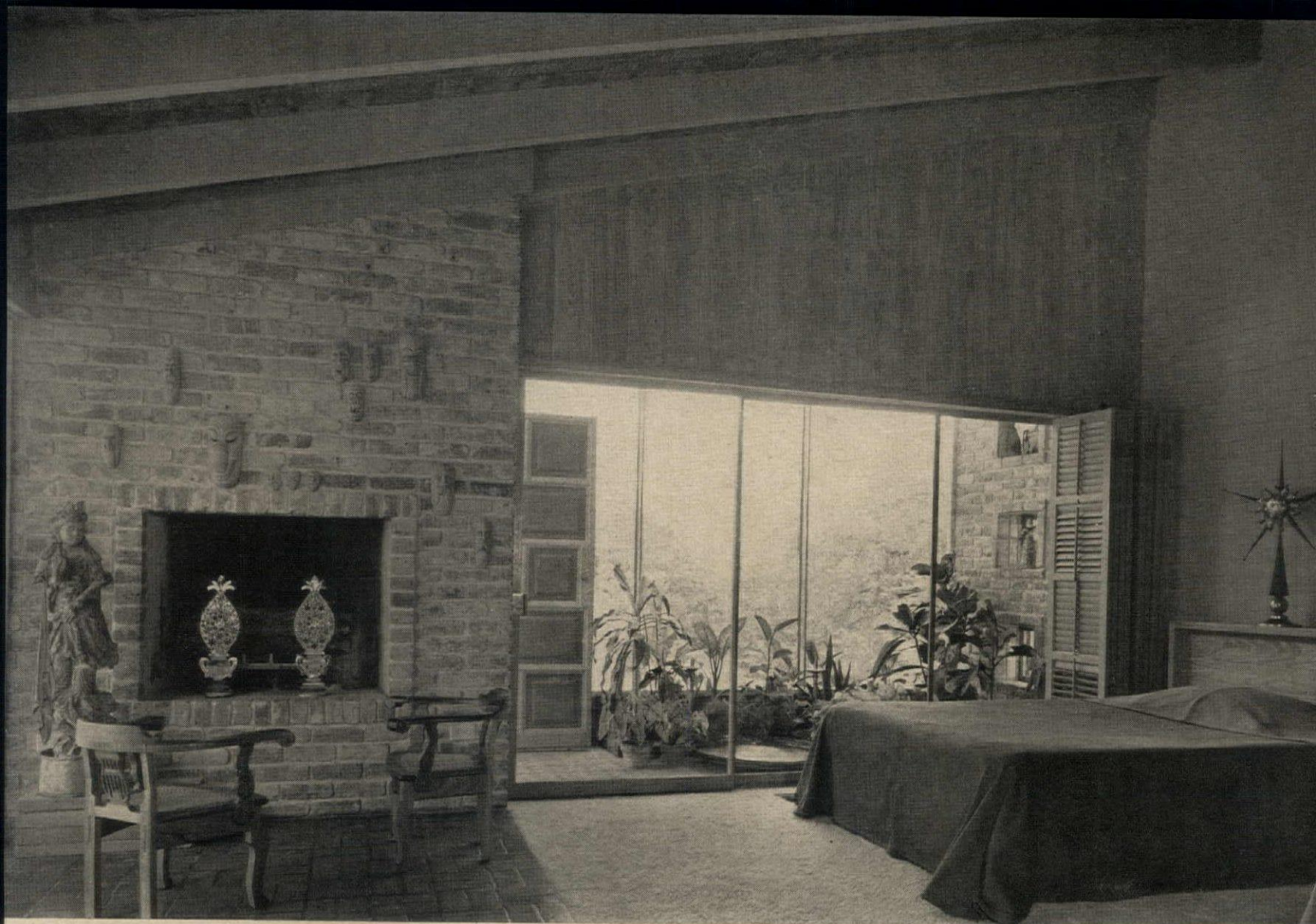


Game room provides wide-angled views through glass walls

TOM LEONARD







Master bedroom has two moods. By day, glass walls display solarium. At night, shutters close it for fireside conversation

TEXAS HAS TASTE *continued*

In Dallas, echoes of Spain

As this house shows, Texas and Spain have a lot more in common than the Conquistadores. They share a summer climate of fierce, dry heat in which, to be comfortable, you must create your own cool perspective indoors. The Spaniards' solution was to build their houses around inner courtyards, forming secluded, private oases. In Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Harwood K. Smith borrowed this idea. Mr. Smith, an architect, planned their home around a small, enclosed version of the Spanish patio. In an Alhambra-like setting, cherished tropical plants grow in the heart of the house. Every room has a view of the patio or gardens, designed by landscape architect Arthur Berger, or both. Because Texans like the *laissez faire* of buffet and cocktail parties, rooms flow into one another for relaxed entertaining. For Spanish flavor, decorator William Parker McFadden combined Mexican and South American accents with both contemporary and antique furniture. Mr. Smith, who grew up near the Mexican border, likes to mingle Texas tradition (Continued on page 116)

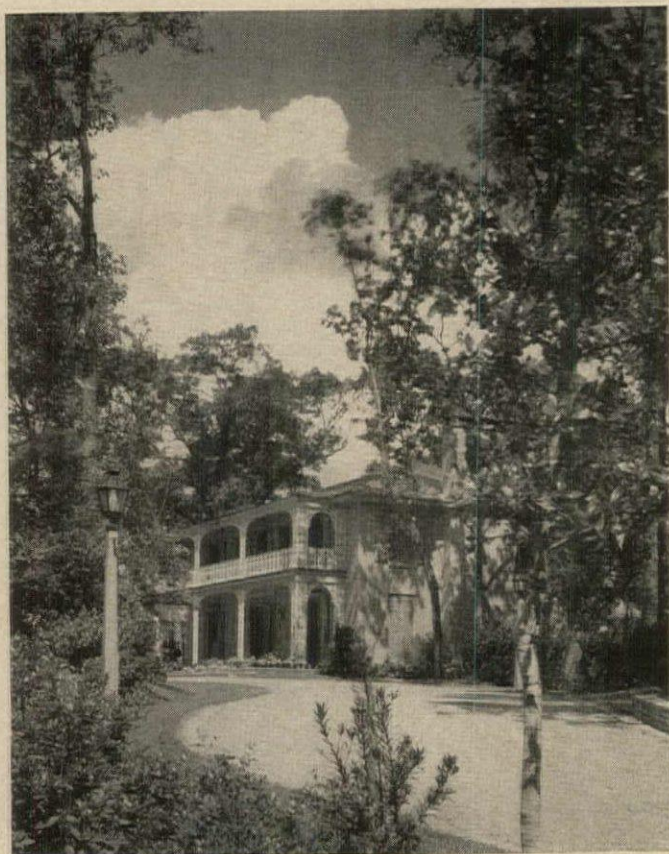
TOM LEONARD



Air-conditioned patio room enjoys both indoor comfort, outdoor view

Opposite

Inner court is green haven, heart of house



White balconies frost a pink house, glimpsed through trees

A Houston house with a French heritage

In the heart of Houston's River Oaks suburb is a sudden mirage of New Orleans. Poised above busy Kirby Drive, a pink French Colonial house wears a romantic air of moonlight and magnolias. This is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Hogan, Sr., and it reflects their nostalgia for the French Quarter of the 'city that care forgot.' The hidden, vine-hung courtyards of the *Vieux Carré* live again in the courtyard terrace in back of the L-shaped house designed by architect Frank Dill. Pink garden furniture echoes the airy grillework of the porch and second-floor balcony. Landscape architect Ralph Gunn used a tranquil pool and terraces on two levels to create a cloistered garden scene. The Hogans entertain on the terrace in the temperate spring and fall. During the hot summer, the garden view is framed by first-floor picture windows. Soft, moist Gulf breezes encourage exotic plants such as camellias, magnolias and the water oaks of the South that give this house a setting true to its tradition.

In this romantic garden, echoes of New Orleans' *Vieux Carré*

TOM LEONARD







Contemporary room with a colorful past: a wallpaper called 'Greenfield Bottles,' designed by Schumacher, could have been lifted right out of the front windows of a post office in pioneer days. (The actual post office, complete with hand-blown bottles, muntin windows, *et al.* stands in Greenfield Village, part of the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan.) The cherry settles, reproductions of early pieces, are accented by pink chintz cushions and mixed with a modern glass-topped cocktail table. *Additional photograph on page 113. Shopping information, page 110*

Decorating almanac for 1954

Revival of the fittest:

*American Provincial furniture,
perennial favorite, is a mellow accent
in contemporary room schemes*

The way many American families feel about furniture is expressed in the Helen Hokinson cartoon of a woman who said to the salesman, 'Doesn't anything rock any more?' Today's need for relaxation is as strong in all of us as the search for beauty. This is one reason why American Provincial furniture continues to be a perennial favorite. Its mellowness and delicate but sturdy lines make it as much at home in contemporary rooms as it was in the simple houses our forefathers built on the New England shores. Here, in short, is a style of furniture that seems to be timeless in appeal. There are many ways to interweave everything from settles to spinning wheels, rockers to rush-bottom chairs into attractive room schemes today. The secret is mixing. Our rooms are not meant to be parasites of any one period but to breathe the fresh air of current living. There are excellent examples of early decoration in Colonial Williamsburg, in Winterthur, in Monticello, but to duplicate these period-perfect rooms in our homes today would be like turning back time to the 18th century. Here and on the next few pages, you see a new treatment of American Provincial furniture, the results of mixing it with contemporary fabrics and furniture to achieve the 1954 American look in decorating. For shopping information, turn to page 110



In this small study, one period complements another. American Provincial ladder-back chairs mix well with modern walnut desk and wall shelves. Curtains, barber-pole lamp adapt Provincial motifs.



Cherry chest and night table, crisscross wallpaper contribute American Provincial flavor to a three-room apartment. Comfortable sofa and chair upholstered in textured fabrics, marble-topped coffee table are modern.



Small-scaled furniture in light finishes saves space in a living-dining room. Here, American Provincial chairs, a modern table.

Harbingers of spring:
first cotton prints of the season
to brighten your rooms

Here and on the next three pages are your tickets to a spring preview: lively cotton prints designed in HOUSE & GARDEN colors. Any one of them will give your rooms a look of spring long before crocuses bloom and robins return. They are the latest chapter in Waverly's Glosheen fabrics. The figures range from delicately drawn geometrics to liberal interpretations of flora and fauna. In inspiration they cover a good deal of territory, including French recipe books and flower gardens, stained-glass windows and 19th-century copper trays, Scandinavian tiles and New England tea-chest papers. Each print is available in from eight to ten different color combinations. There are fresh pastels; warm earth tones framed against white or natural backgrounds; black-and-white prints with color accents. Some of the materials are enriched by a gold overlay that adds depth but doesn't deprive them of washability. Using any one of the prints as a fresh color note for a room, you can introduce your own variations by repeating its dominant colors in slip covers for your furniture. You will find it easy to compose a smooth, harmonious room scheme because there are solid-colored fabrics to go with the prints. One material is Glosheen cotton; the other, antique satin, a textured cotton and rayon called Etruscan cloth. These fabrics are washable, reasonably priced and practical as a percale sheet. (Continued on page 69)

Opposite

Four cotton prints, four color pivots for contemporary rooms, left to right: 'Verona,' pink and gray mosaic print inspired by stained-glass windows; 'Flower Mart,' a cluster of pastel posies from the garden; 'Holyoke,' a spicy geometric adapted from the repoussé design of an early 19th-century copper tray; 'A La Carte,' a collection of fruits, vegetables, recipes from a French cook book. Combined with Waverly's Etruscan cloth and Wunda Weve cotton rugs, they create new backgrounds for any room.





Each of these bright new cotton prints is a springboard for a good decorating scheme

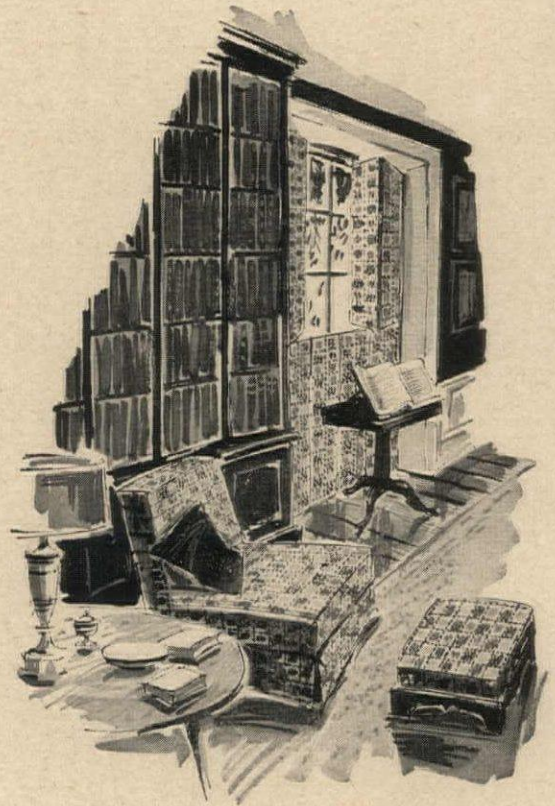


In a dining-game room, American Provincial furniture teams up with cotton prints in contemporary colors

HAANEL CASSIDY



In this modern version of the living-kitchen, heart of the home in Colonial times, tiered cotton curtains in a crisp print, 'A La Carte,' set off Provincial furniture. The motif of recipes and their garden ingredients is sketched in middy blue, Dresden blue and emerald green against a white background.



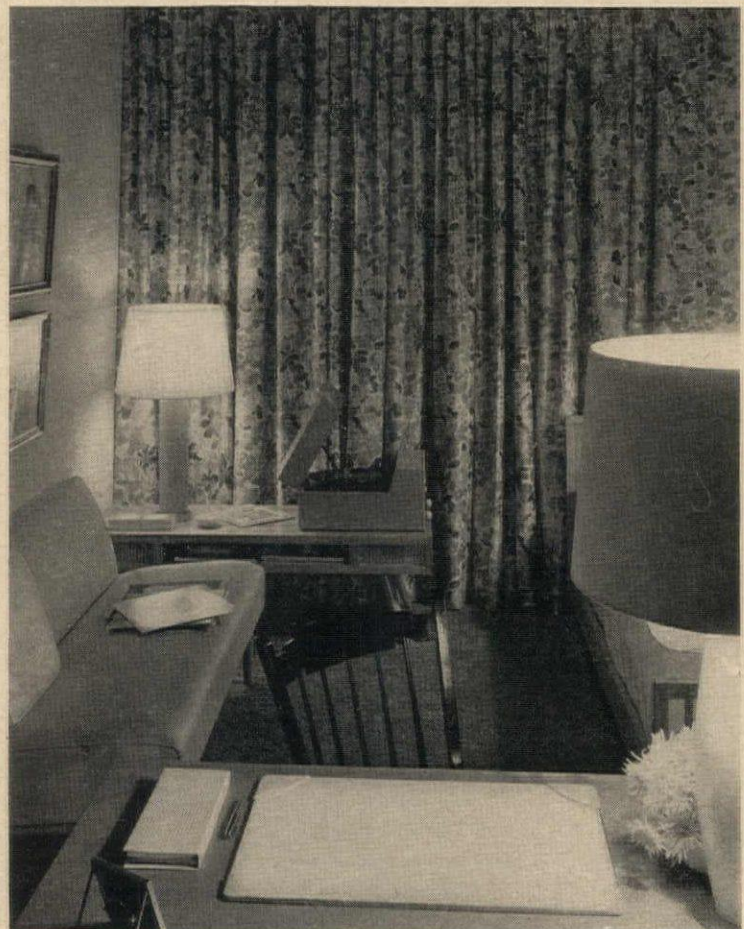
CHARLES HEILEMANN

Study-sitting room is enlivened by a tidy print called 'Holyoke' in terra cotta, persimmon and hot chocolate. The fabric is used to cover chair, ottoman and shutters.

(Continued) Ever since chintz was first elevated to the living room, the fashions for cottons has flowered in decoration. Today we use cotton prints anywhere, any time of the year. Four good reasons are shown here and on the opposite page. Versatile and easy to care for, Glosheen cottons are good solutions for decorating such 'hook-and-eye' rooms as the living-kitchen, the study-sitting room, the bed-sitting room and the dining-game room. They combine cheerfully with American Provincial and modern furniture (further proof that the best punctuation for a room is not always a single period). The fabrics are available at Stower's, Houston; Shillito's, Cincinnati; Macy's New York. For shopping information see page 105.

Opposite

Shuttered windows, brick walls, cotton curtains in a fresh-picked flower print, 'Finlandia' (taken from Scandinavian tiles), give this room a garden air. Furniture is a mixture of brushed birch and pieces that have been painted. Chair cushions are covered in 'Chatham,' reproduction of an 18th-century tea-paper design from Cape Cod. The furniture in this room and the bed-sitting room (right) is by Conant Ball, available at Shillito's, Cincinnati; Macy's New York.



The window wall of a bed-sitting room is glorified at night by drawing full, flowering cotton curtains. Carnation pink walls and cotton upholstery, cherry red carpet tie in with the pastel print called 'Flower Mart.'



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Sheer flattery for American rooms:

tambour curtains

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When is a window curtain a sheer work of art?

Here are four good answers from a fabulous collection of Swiss-embroidered curtains

Flowering high in the Swiss Alps is a snowy white blossom with a name that yodels, edelweiss; it is the national flower of Switzerland where this new group of tambour curtains originates. The perfection of the tiny flower and its perennial freshness seem to symbolize the exquisite workmanship of each delicate, sheer panel of embroidery. These curtains are the results of adapting a traditional art to contemporary living. Working hand in hand with Swiss designers, Ottavia created more than 100 intricate designs to whet American tastes and flourish at our windows. All of the patterns, from simple openwork borders to cascades of interlocking vines, have an international pedigree (they're actually registered in Berne).

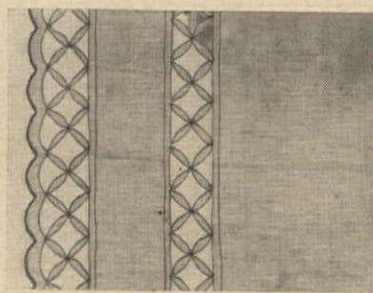
Fine lacy nets, sheer muslins and crisp organdies are the materials into which the designs are worked. They capture the true art of tambour embroidery developed by Swiss housewives centuries ago to occupy the long winter months. The pattern is first stamped on the material, then embroidered on tambour frames (double hoops). The delicate task of cutting in and out of the designs is done by hand, at home in Switzerland. The final products are imported unfinished so that the lengths can be adjusted to individual window sizes in American homes.

There are three types of curtains to choose from: demi-curtains (44" x 72"-wide panels), sill-length (78" x 44"-wide panels) and full-length (96" x 44"-wide panels). The demi-curtains can be hung chateau-style in tiers; some have matching valances for a finishing touch. If you have a picture window, you might hang several pairs of the sill-length or full-length panels. You might combine a pair of the long panels with a single tier of demi-curtains to veil a view. You can even fancy yourself as a couturier at the window and arrange a swag as if it were a stole over the sheers. There are as many different ways to pair up these embroidered curtains in our American homes as there are recipes for fondue in every canton of Switzerland. At Lord & Taylor, New York.

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'Mount Vernon' embroidered muslin combines tambour, shadow stitches.



'Stencil,' an airy leaf-lattice design, is embroidered and hand-cut in calico.



'Bluebell' traditional tambour muslin employs many embroidery techniques.

The harlequin look

The Harlequin Look (in origin, Venetian) is as international as champagne, as classic as a black-and-white marble floor. Here you see our contemporary interpretation of the familiar harlequin motif on wallpaper and shower curtains, on a French plate, on an Italian lamp base. It traces its lineage to the 12th century when Harlequin, a capricious comic (probably a *mélange* of Ray Bolger, Charlie Chaplin and Toto) first appeared in mystic plays. The English author Sacheverell Sitwell once described this witty fellow as the historical equal of the Emperor Nero or Archbishop Laud. The fact that Picasso and Cézanne painted him repeatedly

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In the picture opposite, a harlequin paper, dramatic as gift wrapping, lines one side of an entrance hall. Its effect, teamed with a black-and-white rubber tile floor and slender black metal chairs, is similar to dining on a loggia overlooking the Grand Canal. One of the three blues of the wallpaper is repeated on the lacquered doors leading inside where there is a glimpse of a checked ginger and gray rug. For accent, the sheen of brass, antique gilt lionhead doorknobs, the boldness of an ottoman in clear blue-green. Above, harlequin accessories in brilliant greens and blues make an exclamatory point in any room in the house. *Shopping information on page 105*

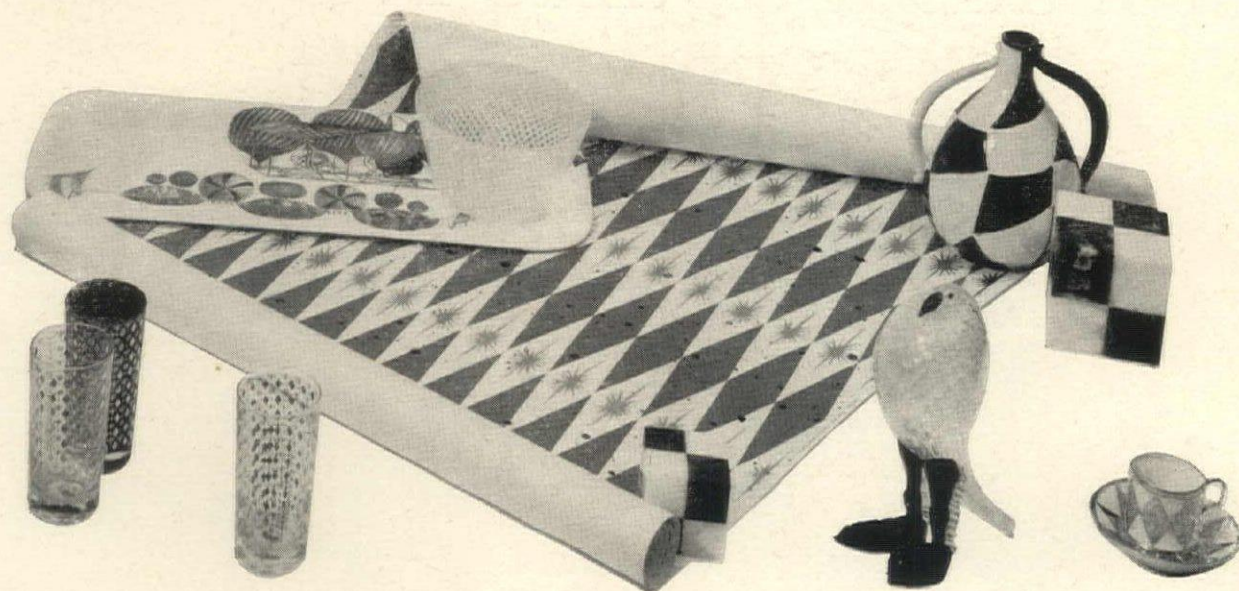
Opposite

Table for games is set in entrance hall against striking wallpaper





Harlequin colors bring carnival gaiety to a table set for lunch.



*Cinquecento accessories look
well in modern rooms*

Against a background of color, introduce a geometric motif in black and white or gold. For accent, you might use a wallpaper spatterdashed with black-and-gold stars, a black-and-white lamp base or overscale alabaster paperweights which look like big checker-board cubes. Highball glasses with tiny gold diamonds also reiterate the carnival mood.

(Continued) proves that he did not succumb to a bronzed immortality. The Harlequin Look is the kind of look that will lend gaiety to your decoration. Its effect seems to suggest the raised eyebrows of the original comic's mask. In fact, you might call this new decorating mood a punctuation theme. Like Victor Borge's phonetic colons and commas, the accessories you see here are practically audible. And that is their purpose—to bring a point of excitement to a room. Essentially, the Harlequin Look is accent material. Its ingredients are a romantic ornament; slightly clashing bold colors used together; very defined geometric patterns which are as neat as plaid and as gay as polka dots. Note the distinctive colors: hot and cold played against each other. Lemon yellows are teamed with emerald green; sharp orange with clear Bristol blue and acid green, often linked by black, gold and white. To achieve this look, use the motif, as suggested by designer Lester Grundy, for one bold note in a room. Since the effect is electric, it is best used with discretion to accent a muted decorating scheme or to inject a sudden surprise.

Opposite

Romantic background for dining captures the spirit of Venice

The carnival motif is as appropriate to a dining table as a rich red wine. Notice the importance of the lozenge-patterned place plate against a blue opaline bowl and cigarette box, acid green accents. The lavender linen cloth is romantically subdued by a black-and-gold Italian chair designed by Fornasetti. Silver is Oneida's 'Reigning Beauty' pattern in Heirloom Sterling. Crystal water goblet and amethyst wine glass are by Fostoria. For shopping information, see page 105

Silver leads a double life



Like pearls, silver improves with use. It doesn't hurt to fill a soup tureen with flowers, heap fruit on a tea tray, turn a wine cooler into a food warmer. Nine familiar service pieces appear here in double roles. They suggest new ways to expand your silver wardrobe, good ways to keep silver in continuous use, which is the very best care you can give it.

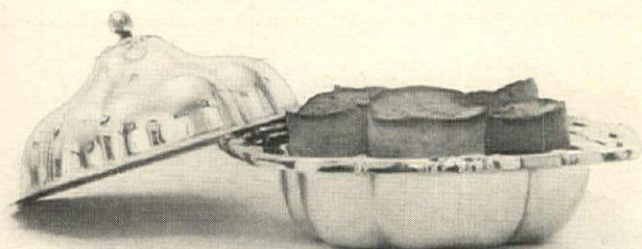
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A footed boat for flowers *OR* a Georgian tureen for soup



A handsome ice tub chills table wines and champagne *OR* makes a vacuum-lined casserole for hot or cold foods



Covered muffin dish with hot water compartment keeps breads warm *OR* may be filled with ice for crisp hors d'oeuvres



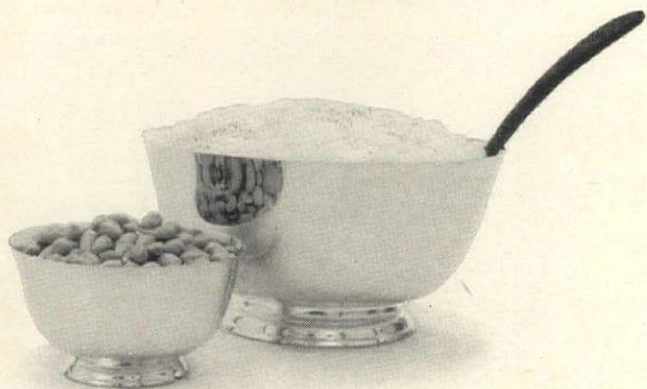
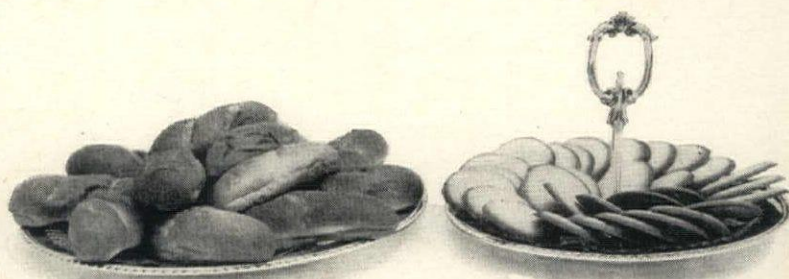
Vegetable dish with insert is a covered serving piece *OR* becomes condiment, rice and curry boats for an East Indian meal



Two-tiered epergne is a pretty centerpiece for fruits and flowers

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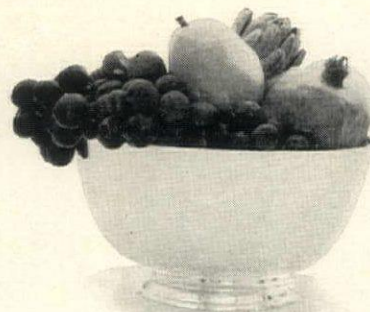
separates at teatime for cookie and biscuit trays



Traditional Paul Revere bowls serve punch and cocktail tidbits

OR

the large one heaped high with fruit is a console centerpiece



Contemporary coffee service fulfills its after-dinner chores

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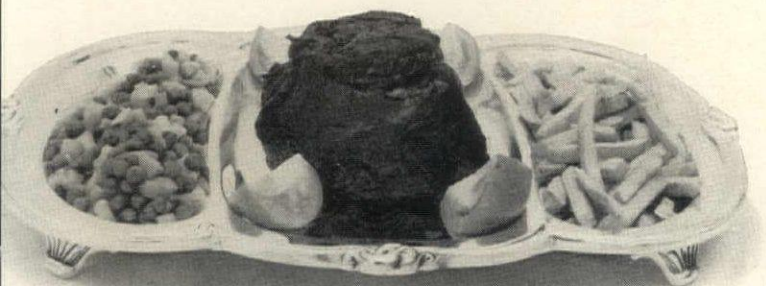
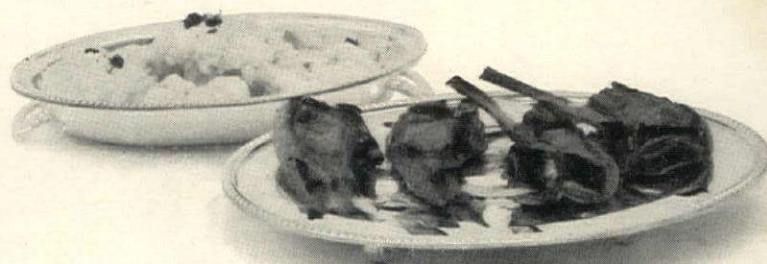
lends its carafe and stainproof silver-rimmed tray to the cocktail group



Covered well-and-tree platter awaits with breakfast for two

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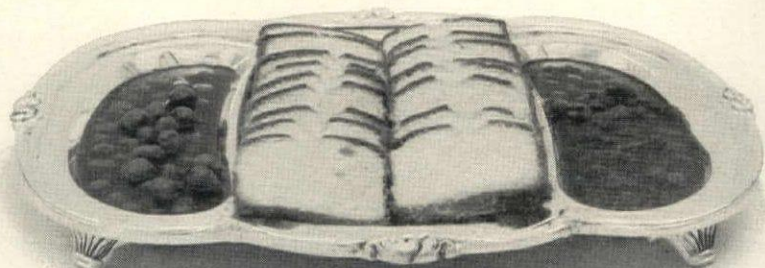
doubles as meat platter and vegetable dish at the dinner hour



Three-sectioned platter serves meat and vegetables

OR

makes a buffet piece for a cake and fruit dessert





Garden thyme



Summer savory



Rosemary



Dill



Chervil



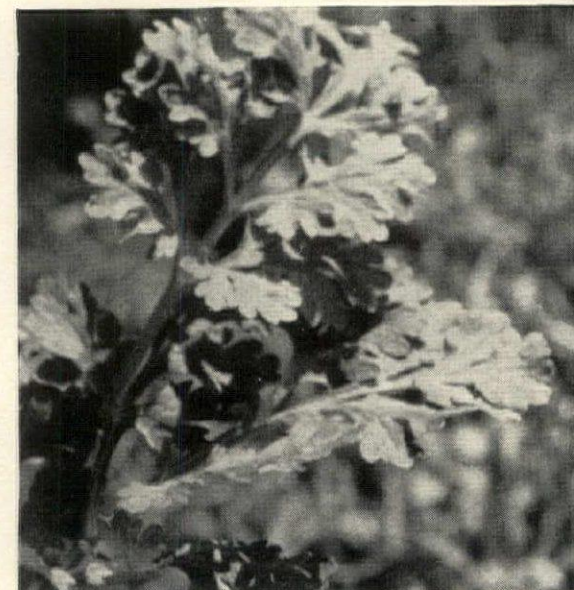
Sage



Basil
Mint



Tarragon
Sweet marjoram



Parsley
Chives



Herbs for a gourmet garden



*Here is a concise guide on ways to grow
herbs that will add
subtle flavor to your cooking*

Herb gardens are the oldest gardens in the world. They are also good to look at, sweet to smell, easy to take care of, and fun to read about. Their products are sure to make a major transformation in your cooking. Raising them is no great undertaking because it can be done on the smallest scale and they are so easily combined with flowers or vegetables, making the prettiest borders and effective background massings. Neatly set, herbs can be the solution of many a problem plot such as a triangle or a space too narrow for conventional flower beds. This neatness is essential because many of them have a spreading habit. Any bed you set herbs in should have a well-defined border. The simplest way to accomplish this on a cottage scale is to lay down an old wagon wheel which yields a design of pie-slice plots. Or you can do the same with a ladder laid on the ground. But for either of these designs, consider only the very compact, low-growing types or the result will be straggly. Herbs are naturals in rock gardens and lend interest to random paving if you pick up a block here and there to create a small, rectangular bed. They take to the Italianate, flowing lines of the House of Herbs garden on page 81 and to the most uncompromising square. For the latter, the *Garden Dictionary* offers many simple plans taken from old English knot gardens.

There is a much-quoted but mistaken belief that

all herbs want poor soil and drought. Actually, their soil requirements approximate those of the common vegetables. If you are starting an herb garden from scratch, the ground should be loosened to a depth of about 20 inches and moderately enriched with bone meal and rotted manure worked in at the bottom level. After plants are grown, and especially after cutting back for harvest, a little balanced plant food worked in around the roots will bring excellent results. Clayey soil should be modified with sand or ashes or a soil conditioner, but not peat moss. Sweet soil is essential, many herbs even preferring it on the limy side. With a few exceptions such as chervil and mint, good drainage and full sun are prime requisites of most herbs.

The good-will with which herbs grow is one of their most ingratiating points. Most of the annuals can be sown in earliest spring without fear of frost. The tender ones germinate quickly. Only those with tiny seeds such as thyme and marjoram need fine-worked soil. Many self-sow, giving you a surprise next year. The perennials welcome division, propagation by cutting, and layering (pinning down low-growing branches till they root themselves). Cutting merely infuses new vitality in herbs and also promotes the fine, tender foliage which yields the best flavor. In torrid weather when flowers default, herbs are at their most

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OPPOSITE: *You can start an herb garden with any of these twelve basic favorites.*

A practical chart on the following pages includes notes on how to grow and harvest them

A cook's chart of herbs and their uses

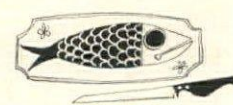
At right is a chart of general flavor groupings, showing the natural affinity of some herbs for certain foods. You can experiment with any of the three alternative herbs suggested in each group. In using them, remember that 1 tsp. dried leaves approximates 1 Tbsp. of fresh leaves. Add herbs late in the cooking for a positive flavor; early for more subtle overtones.



Beef basil
laurel
oregano



Mutton rosemary
marjoram
garlic



Fish fennel
dill
chervil



Chicken sage
tarragon
thyme



Vegetables basil
chives
savory



Eggs parsley
chives
sage



Drinks woodruff
southernwood
borage

A gardener's guide to growing 12 familiar herbs

Herb	General information	Soil and situation	Notes on culture	To plant seed	To harvest
Garden Thyme 6-8 inches	Perennial. Most all-round useful of 28 different types. Small shrub with grayish leaves, tiny lavender-pink flowers. Indicated for low edgings. Very fragrant.	Light, sandy, limy soil. Full sun, can tolerate drought.	Keep well clipped to prevent woody growth. In northern climates a winter mulch is advisable. Space plants 6".	Broadcast tiny seeds as early in spring as possible. Self-sows readily; also propagates by division. Renew every 3-4 years.	Harvest twice a season, July and September. Clip branches from main stems and hang in bunches to dry. Strip stems with fingernails when leaves are crisp.
Summer Savory 14 inches	Annual. Small bush with wiry stems, dark foliage, cloud of tiny pink blossoms. Best in masses as single plants are liable to fall over.	Dry, moderately rich soil, full sun.	Once seedlings are well started, needs virtually no care. Space plants 6".	Sow as early in spring as possible. Some frost will not damage. Germinates quickly. A second planting may be needed if season is hot.	Harvest three times a season, clipping branching stems and hanging in bunches to dry. Strip stems when crackly.
Rosemary 14-18 inches	Perennial in south, annual in north. Makes handsome hedge in warmer climates or good winter house-plant, blooming from January through April. Woody and slow-growing.	Light, limy, well-drained soil, full sun. Grows specially well by sea.	Propagates readily from cuttings started in late spring, also by division and layering. Winters over well in cold frame. Prune older plants to avoid leafless branches. Space 3'.	If raised from seed, is best started indoors. Takes 3 to 5 weeks to germinate, can only be harvested in second year.	Clip only green end shoots and dry by hanging in bunches. Strip stems of leaves when dry. In cutting, be careful to preserve shape of plant as regrowth is slow.
Dill 24-36 inches	Annual. Tall, feathery growth best massed at center of bed. Seedlings full of flavor make plant useful from moment thinning of rows starts.	Average-to-sandy, well-drained soil, sunny location.	Self-sows readily, second year crop often being better than first. Fragile structure of seedlings necessitates frequent weeding. Adult plants should be staked. Space 10".	Sow in early spring where plant is to grow and pinch out at ground level to obtain desired spacing as does not stand transplanting. Flowers 2 months after sowing.	Pick feathery side leaves throughout season and hang in bunches to dry. Crumble when dry. Cut seed heads when brown but not yet opened, spread on paper or cloth, dry for 5-6 days, thresh lightly in breeze to carry off chaff. Dry seeds for 10 additional days.
Chervil 5-15 inches	Biennial. Winters over well in northern climates. Delicate, fern-like foliage suggests many decorative uses. One of French <i>finer herbes</i> .	Rich soil (an old compost heap is ideal). Prefers shade up to half a day.	Tendency to dry up in hot weather necessitates successive plantings until July or semi-shaded location. Space plants 9".	Sow in early spring where plant is to grow and thin out to desired intervals. Plant self-sows readily.	Clip when flower buds show, tie in bunches, and hang till dry. Crumble leaves off stems before bottling.
Garden Sage 14-16 inches	Perennial. Stays green in winter. Grayish, pebbly foliage and lavender-white flowers can be used massed or as a low hedge. Aromatic fresh leaves have many more uses than dried ones.	Light, sandy, limy soil. Full sun, can tolerate drought.	May be propagated by layering or cutting. Renew every 3 to 4 years or plant becomes woody. Cultivate at intervals. Space 18".	Sow in earliest spring in rows, 2 seeds to the inch. Space rows 12" to 14" apart.	Clip individual leaves from growing plant without cutting plant heads. Dry on screens or muslin. Harvest twice, July and September.

*In Connecticut, little herbs
are grown on a big scale*

VON MIKLOS



Plants are used attractively in the House of Herbs garden

If you drive north on Connecticut's Route 44, toward Massachusetts, you will see on your right a big group of barns and houses painted the pale greeny-yellow of linden flowers. In the land of the relentless white façade, they stand out with the same engaging non-conformism as does their owner, Mrs. Ezra Winter, in the little town of Salisbury, Connecticut.

When she started the House of Herbs less than 10 years ago, Mrs. Winter was virtually alone in her field. Now there are at least three other concerns which have followed her footsteps. Like every pioneer, Mrs. Winter has a dedicated attitude toward her job. In her own words, she has 'always felt religious' about the transformation that one leaf of an insignificant-looking plant can bring to commonplace food. Over the years when she lectured on herb magic to cooking classes and club-women, she has made a lot of people feel the same way.

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Herb	General information	Soil and situation	Notes on culture	To plant seed	To harvest
Basil 6-15 inches	Annual. Varieties range from compact 6" bush to 18" border plant. Handsome glossy green or purple foliage. Ultra fragrant, attracts bees.	Dry, light, medium rich soil. Full sun, likes some shelter from wind.	Pinch out tops when in bud to obtain thicker, sturdier bush. Space larger varieties 15", dwarf varieties 6".	Plant when peaches are in flower as the slightest frost will damage. Germinates in 4-5 days.	Clip fresh bunches when buds begin to show. Leaves can either be stripped from stems and dried on screens or muslin or bunches can be tied and crumbled off stems afterward.
Tarragon 18 inches	Perennial. Graceful, branching habit. Effective placed singly or in pairs. One plant is enough for the average household uses. If leaves tend to brown, apply rotenone.	Well-drained, sweet, fairly rich soil; sun or partial shade.	Divide every year in fall or plants will strangle. Or propagate by cuttings. In north, shear back in fall and protect with mulch. Ample cultivation and compost produce a larger plant. Space plants 2'.	Produces no seed. The seedling variety, called Russian tarragon, is not suitable for culinary purposes.	Cut stems 5" or 6" from ground to keep plants vigorous but save only tender green tips. Strip leaves from stems. Dry on screens or muslin, turning daily.
Parsley 6-8 inches	Annual in north, biennial in south. Makes compact, furry edging which can be clipped like hedge. Contains vitamins A and C.	Medium rich soil, sunny location, can tolerate drought.	Shear regularly to keep plant compact. Can be successfully transplanted. Space plants 6".	Soak seeds overnight to hasten slow germination. Sow as early as possible in location where plant will grow. Some frost will not damage. Seedlings show in 4 weeks, mature in 70-80 days.	In midsummer, shear to 4", tie in bunches and dry as rapidly as possible as flavor will deteriorate. When dry, crumble off of stems. Plant will tolerate several harvests per summer.
Curly Mint	Perennial, rampant grower which cannot long be confined to a border, so best used in masses. If leaves tend to brown, apply rotenone.	Meadow-like soil, dampish situation, some shade. Leaves lose color and flavor when subjected to full sun.	Propagate by division or cuttings started in water. Creeping stalks must be kept in check. Water in dry weather. Once a year, chop bed to create new plants.	Raising from seed not recommended. First-year plants cannot be harvested.	Harvest fresh green tips throughout season (they regrow rapidly when cut). Hang up in bunches to dry and crumble from stems.
Sweet Marjoram 8-10 inches	Annual in north, perennial in south. Erect bush with white flowers and green bracts. One of the best house-plants. Related in flavor to basil and oregano. Very fragrant.	Well-drained average soil, full sun.	Slow-growing herb requires cultivation and weeding, especially in seedling stage. If possible, shelter from wind. Though tender at start, plants last into October in north. Space 10".	Plant when all danger of frost is past. Soak tiny seeds for 24 hours to hasten slow germination.	Clip fresh clusters when flower bracts begin to develop. Clip leaves from stems and dry on screens or muslin. Or hang in bunches and strip when dry.
Chives 8-10 inches	Perennial. Hardy. Makes compact grassy edging for vegetable or flower garden. Use purple-bloom in flower arrangement or in salad.	Medium rich soil, full sun, can tolerate drought.	Propagate by division every other year, chopping clumps into three. After flowering, cut to 3" to stimulate second crop. For border use, space plants 5".	Seeds germinate and mature slowly so propagation by bulblet is more desirable.	Harvest throughout season to encourage fresh, tender shoots. Dry on screens or cheesecloth. Clip into jars with scissors.

*On the following 17 pages, an appraisal of the great American bathroom—
oasis of comfort, convenience and color*

New order of the bath

Relaxation, like happiness, is something everyone longs for and few know how to achieve. The pleasure-loving Romans knew the secret, and the repose-loving Orientals still do. Now, thanks to new ideas in bathroom design, we Americans are able to make relaxation part of our daily art of living. For today's bathroom offers much more than efficient equipment alone. It is a beautiful room to linger in, a delicious indulgence that pays for itself in a refreshed outlook. It is a kind of shrine dedicated to rejuvenation, where you can perform the ritual of the bath in leisured elegance. The great American bathroom is a luxury in the American sense: a luxury which makes life easier and sweeter, a luxury that everyone can enjoy.

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Opposite **B**athroom in the Oriental mood

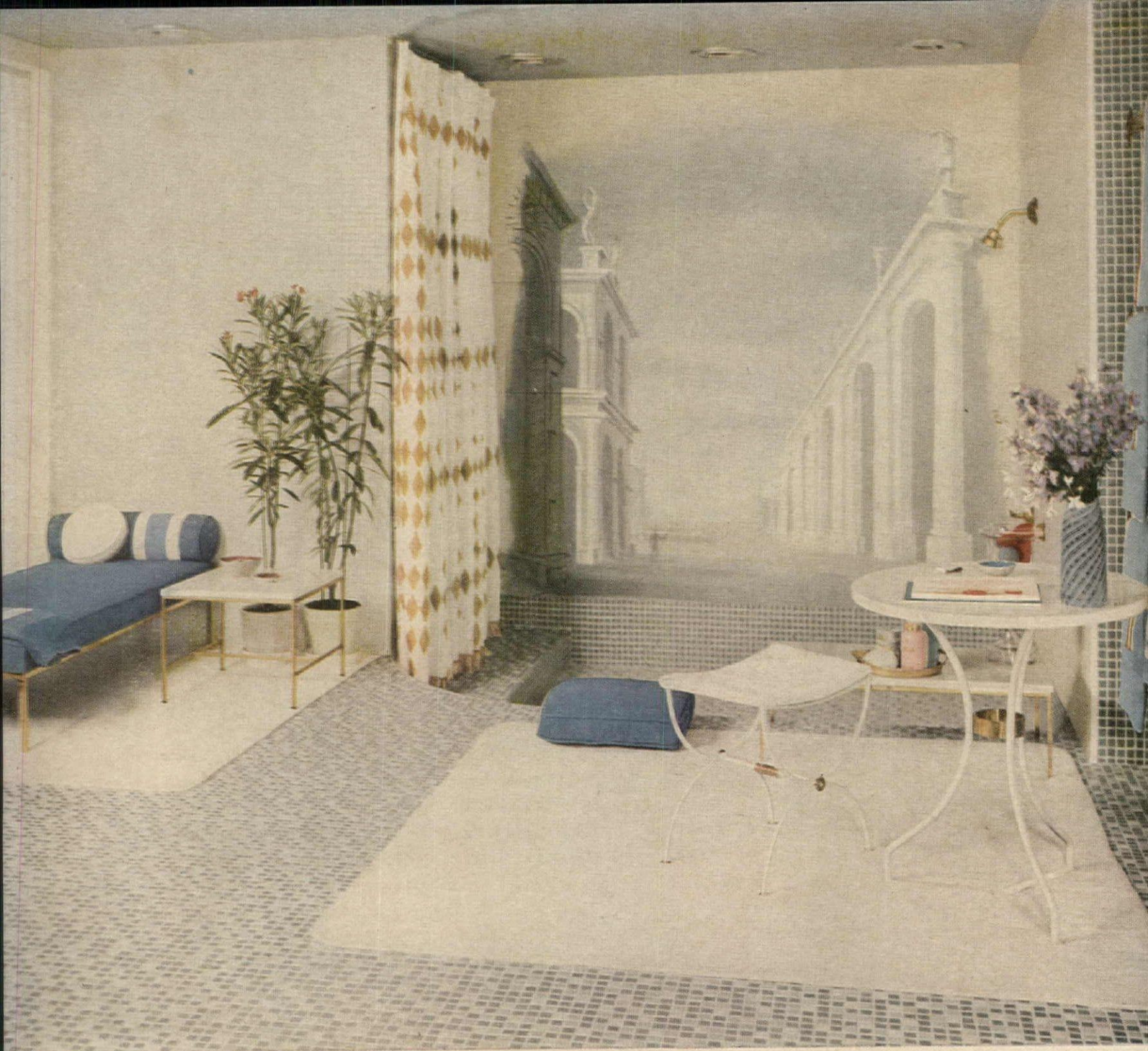
To enjoy a bath in Japan, one of its countrymen recently observed, requires that the 'water be hot and the company pleasurable.' While Americans may prefer the privacy of their own bathroom to the lunch-club atmosphere of a Tokyo bathhouse, we can borrow successfully from the East. Designer Ving Smith's setting for the bathroom on the opposite page is as Oriental in mood as the strains of a samisen. A translucent glass skylight floods the tub with enough light to read by. Concealing the existence of a window directly over the tub is a plastic wall panel, like a shoji screen, shot with butterflies. A flagstone floor (warmed by radiant heating), a grasscloth ceiling and a split bamboo screen (which divides the dressing and bathing areas) are similar to the materials you might find in a Japanese house. Also in keeping are a plastic globe derived from a Japanese lantern and towels in tawny shades of cinnamon, yellow, and brown. Despite these Oriental overtones, this bathroom is as American as bubble bath and its mien belies its American efficiency. Ceramic tile walls, splashproof countertops and tuck-away space for all the things you take into the tub keep it in fastidious order without the services of a private girl-san.

For another version of a bath in the Oriental mood, turn to page 119.

Fixtures by Universal-Rundle, towels by Fieldcrest. Further details page 108.

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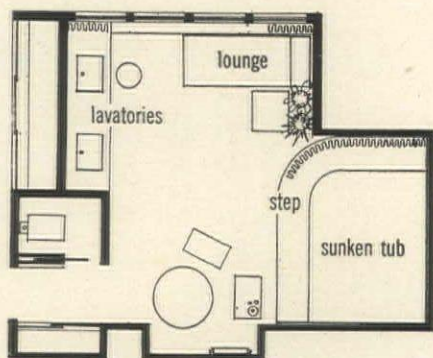


HAANEL CASSIDY

The mood of
a Roman bath
is captured in
this modern
bath-dressing room



Relaxation is the mood of the Roman bath



Opposite

Bathing area (top) is dramatized by harlequin shower curtain, hand-painted mural that seems to walk away into the distance. Sun lamps are installed in ceiling over round table and bench for reading, chaise longue for resting. Pink and white make-up alcove (far left) capitalizes on natural daylight through wall of translucent glass. In radiant-heated niche (left) inspired by the open lockers of Roman baths, towels with classical monograms and harlequin motifs hang on decorative brass rods and on concealed rods, look as if they are threaded on outsize needles. This modern equivalent of a Roman bath designed for Cannon Mills by Eleanor Foss and decorated by C. Eugene Stephenson Associates. Towels are available at Lord & Taylor, New York. *Shopping information*, p. 106. *Bathroom equipment*, p. 108.

To bathe is human, to relax divine. This was, generally speaking, the theory behind the vast and lavish baths built by Roman emperors of the first century to curry favor with the public. To the Romans bathing was not a hasty ritual but a means of relaxation. They often escaped to the baths for a whole afternoon at a time to frolic in the pools, enjoy the facilities for sports and sunning, read and discuss the latest news. It was their equivalent of the tired executive's afternoon on the links today. Thus, the idea of a Roman bath implies more than a sunken tub; it is a pursuit of leisure. The mood is captured today by applying some of the ideas behind the baths of Caracalla, Diocletian, Agrippa, Nero, Titus, Trajan and Constantine, baths that Cecil B. de Mille might describe as super-colossal. What better way to spend free time than to dip into a pool of crystal water, stretch out on a chaise longue beneath a sun lamp, sing in a bath which, to quote the Roman poet Horace, 'gives melody to the voice'? All of this is possible in the bathroom on the opposite page. It accomplishes in comparatively small space what it took the Romans acres of land and a labyrinth of underground pipes to achieve. In today's bath, you have only to turn a faucet to change the temperature of the bath water, instead of progressing from *frigidarium* to *tepidarium* to *calidarium*. Instead of oils and a curved metal *strigillus*, there are scented soaps and colorful vinyl sponges. Instead of a *solarium*, sun lamps are installed in the ceiling above comfortable chaises longues and reading tables. And instead of an elaborate system of underground pipes and furnaces, the floors (and even a niche for towels) are warmed by radiant heat. This bath combines modern conveniences with all the comforts of bathing in the Roman tradition. It has a palette of cool, fresh colors and patterns to delight the eye. The color scheme of Mediterranean blue and white with accents of deep pink is highlighted by the brass lighting fixtures and bases of furniture. A *trompe l'oeil* mural gives a sweeping vista to the bathing area. Contrasting with the sleek background of mosaic ceramic tiles are the crew-cut textures of towels, terry-cloth slip covers and cotton rugs. All this creates a romantic setting for bathing.

This bed-plus-bath proves two rooms can live as neatly as one



From the master bedroom, a reflective view of the dressing room. Mirrors are used liberally to expand space, increase light and perpetuate the one-room feeling. The closet opens on each side.

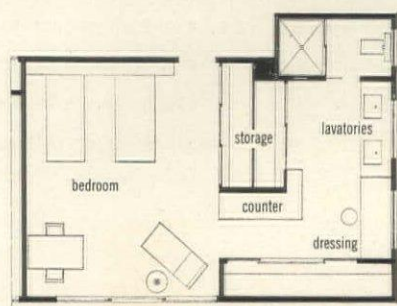
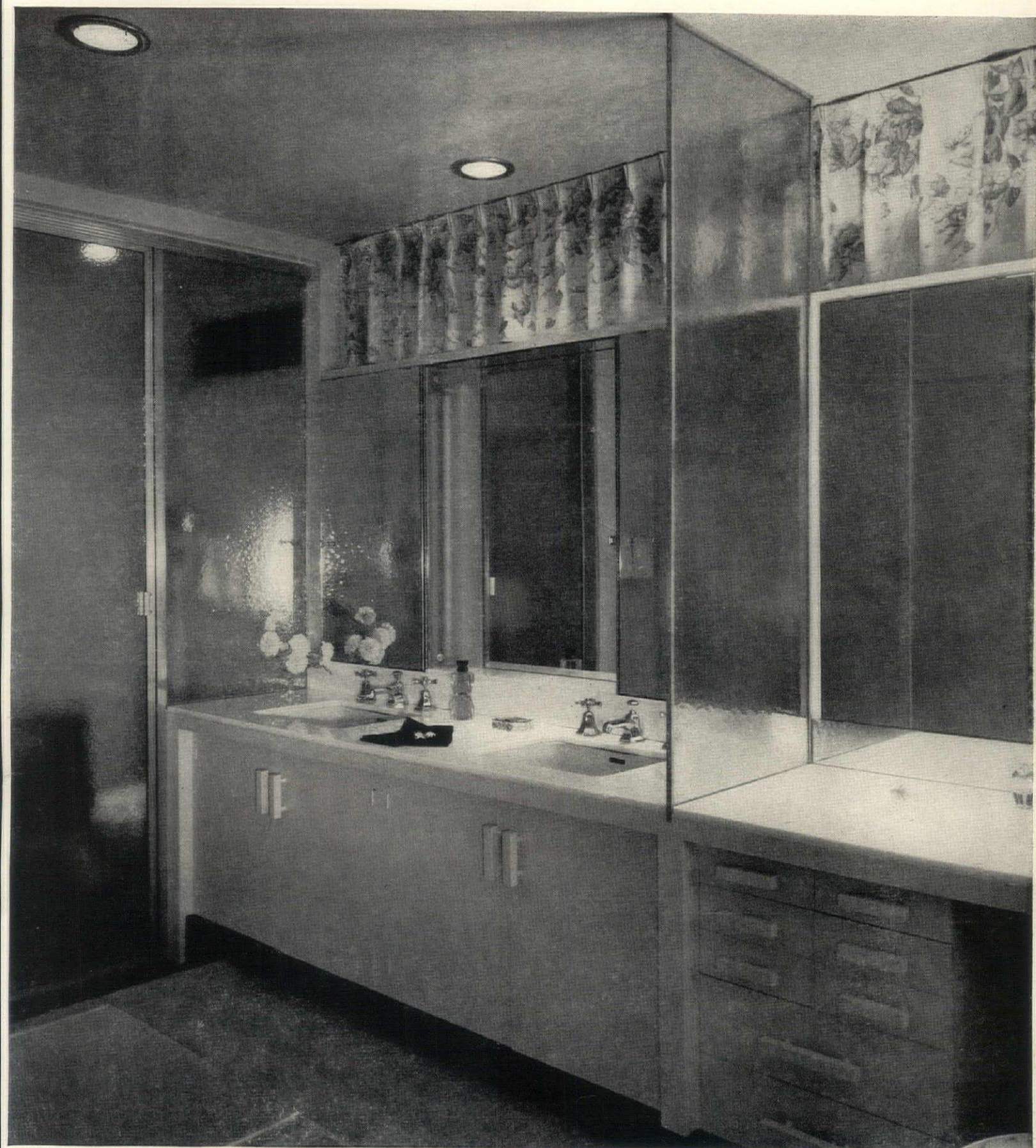
NEW ORDER OF THE BATH *continued*

TOM LEONARD



Gone are the days when the elegant bedroom disowned the plain and practical bathroom, hiding it behind closed doors like a wallflower sister. Today's bathroom is just as good looking as its sleeping partner. Frequently, it takes over some of the bedroom's prerogatives (dressing, grooming, storage) to free it for sleep and relaxation. In this house designed by architect J. A. Schutts, the dressing room and bath open directly from the master bedroom. The sole division between the rooms is a large closet, accessible from both sides. The dressing room has two lavatories, mirrored dressing tables and abundant storage space. To retain the one-room mood, decorator-designer William Haines used a cool, blue-and-white color scheme throughout. This unbroken flow of color and a lavish use of mirrors creates a sense of continuity and spaciousness, while still allowing each room to lead its own life.

Picture window of master bedroom frames a restful scene in cool shades of blue, silver and white. Sharp fuchsia accents of chairs flanking desk provide only note of contrasting color



In dressing room, twin lavatories have opaque white glass countertops. Splash panel of obscure glass protects dressing table from lavatories. Clerestory windows give privacy, ventilation and light during day. At night, the café curtains are closed and the overhead lighting comes into play.

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Bedroom and bath keep steady company in this open-plan arrangement. While room color schemes are identical, each retains its privacy and individuality. An opaque glass door separates dressing room from bathing area.

The new kind of storage space: right where you need it

If you don't want to be stranded after a shower, dripping wet, with the nearest towel out in a hall closet, then your bathroom must have storage space for more than pills and powder puffs. And if you prefer, quite logically, to dress before emerging from your private inner sanctum, the bathroom must also function as a dressing room. This is perfectly possible today, because even small bathrooms are big enough for the new under-counter storage cabinets (where once there were only exposed wash-basin legs and plumbing pipes), and walls are now planned as storage walls. The net result is that sensible luxury: the bath-dressing room. It is organized down to the last inch, so there is both more moving-about space and more storage space, the latter departmentalized so things are not merely out of sight in a hidden welter of confusion, but are neatly stored at point of use. The lesson is an old one with a new twist: the bathroom is the place for many things, each in its proper place.



Good storage space for supplies is vital in a bath-dressing room. Long cabinet holds towels and equipment under pink marble counter. Capacious medicine storage is in mirrored cabinets. Pull-out clothing shelves are built into wall.

New materials provide beauty and brawn

In today's bathroom, beauty isn't skin deep; it is built-in. What's more, it is there to stay despite steam, water and spilled bottles of hand lotion. It comes in the form of new miracle materials (vinyls and laminated plastics, for example), and old ones in new guises (glass, wood, cork, clay tile, marble, rubber). These fabulous materials are what make today's bathroom floors, walls, dividers, countertops. They are structural as well as decorative; they come in practically any color you can name; and, happily, they have replaced the swan-and-waterlily school and the stark, all-white clinical look. They roll off American production lines, and there is nothing elusive or fragile about them. They are here to give you not only a beautiful bathroom, but one that *stays* beautiful.

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Plastic impregnated primavera wood countertop takes hard wear, covers natural wood cabinet. Waterproof ceramic tile on walls and floors is warm gray.

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There is a place for everything in this man's bathroom, even shelves for shoes in the counter cabinet, towel dryer racks, towel hamper, outlet strip to plug in razor, sunlamp, etc. Part of storage wall for clothing is reflected in mirror.

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Complete storage wall is built around this lavatory, forming a niche that is mirrored on three sides, lighted from above. The drawers are sized to hold personal accessories.

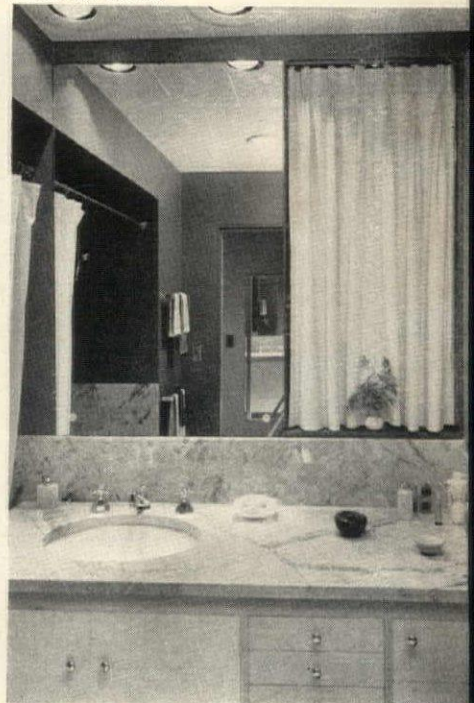


Black glass mounted on wall, and plastic countertop are splash-proof, can be cleaned instantly with a damp cloth.



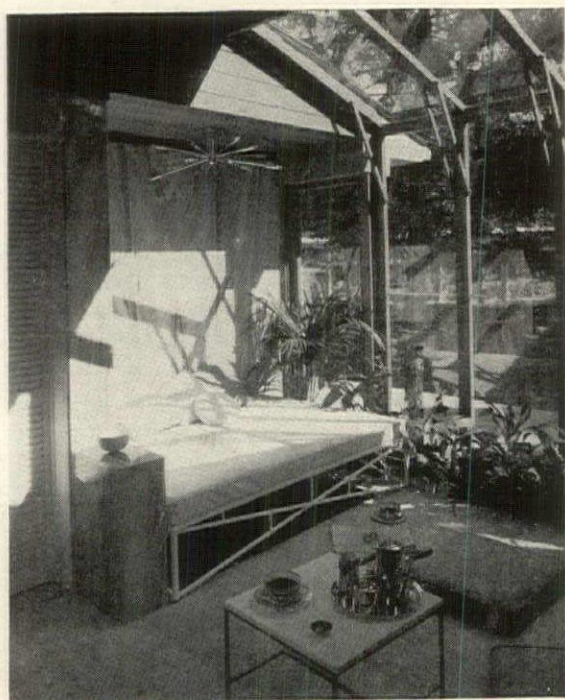
Clay tile is used for walls, floor and as decorative tile in striped pattern on a long countertop and backsplash.

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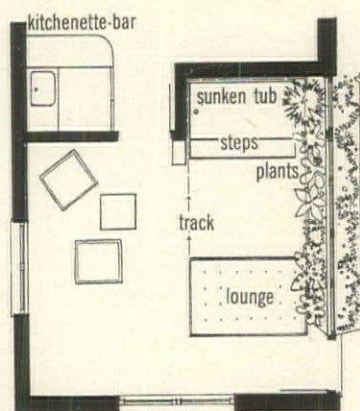


Soundproof ceiling, plywood walls, cabinet, marble counter used here.

Health Room: new slant on relaxation



For sunbathing and relaxing, daybed on rollers is pushed over sunken tub. Glass wall faces terrace and rose garden.



Small kitchenette-bar is located between health room and study.

The room shown on this and the opposite page is a new kind of room. Its purpose is health and relaxation, in an atmosphere at once modern and reminiscent of old Pompeii. It is an exercise center and bathing pavilion, a room for basking in the sun or under a sun lamp. It was designed by architect C. L. De Sina for Mr. and Mrs. Michael C. Guarino of Rumson, New Jersey, who are quite sure that their health room gives them the same degree of relaxation that an American athletic club offers to its members. One side, overlooking a flagstone terrace and rose garden, is built like a modern greenhouse, with a glass wall and ceiling to admit sun all day long. Beneath it, a sunken window garden yields a fringe of luxuriant foliage throughout the year. Otherwise, it is a marble hall with rose marble walls and floor of travertine. Bathing is a luxurious affair in the big (4' x 6') sunken Roman tub, into which one descends two steps. When the tub is not in use, it is hidden beneath a comfortable daybed whose lightweight aluminum frame is mounted on ball bearings so that it can be easily moved about the room or out onto the terrace. The bed is slip-covered in a shantung plastic material impervious to steam and water. An étagère, with gilt wrought-iron legs and natural wood shelves, holds towels and bath accessories, performing a useful function while looking decorative. In addition to its glamorous atmosphere, this health room is equipped with an exercise mat and bicycle, and a small kitchenette-bar which also adjoins the study. (The refrigerator is well stocked with low-calorie, high vitamin-content foods, such as fruit and vegetable juices and salad greens.) All this makes it easy for the Guarinos to follow, right in their own home what health and diet regimes they choose.

For list of equipment see page 109

Opposite

Sunlit health room is a haven of complete relaxation for family

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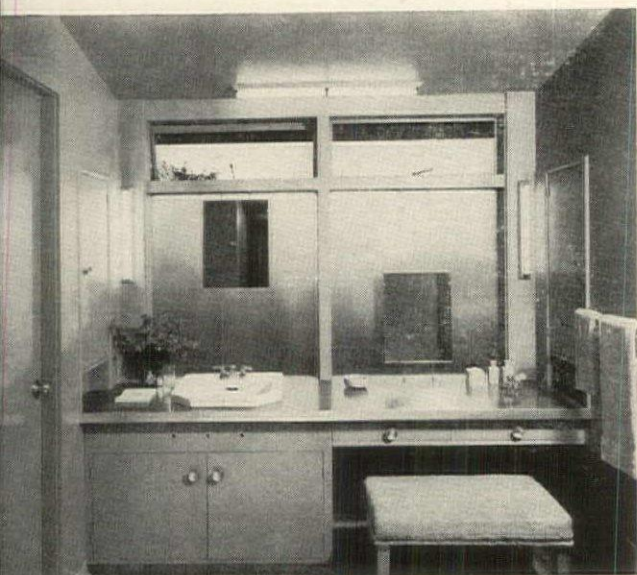
Traditional Chippendale mirror adds a charming note to this modern bathroom with stone counter, plywood cabinet and glass panels.



Dressing table unit has flip-up lid with built-in lighting for easy make-up. White laminated plastic is used with yellow painted cabinet.

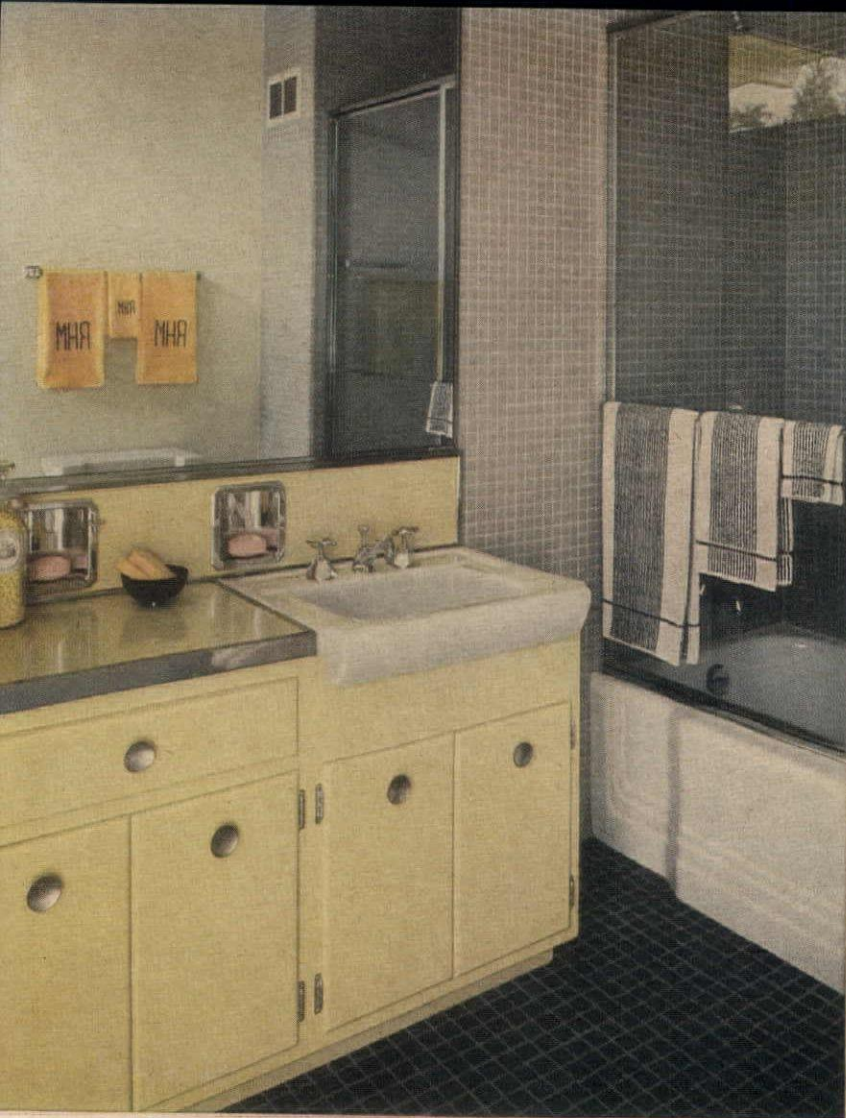
NEW ORDER OF THE BATH *continued*

The countertop lavatory combines efficiency and glamour



Mirrors hung on wires are adjustable. Vinyl plastic countertop serves dual purpose as vanity table and lavatory.

When efficiency and glamour turn out to be one and the same thing, you can be practically sure that some kind of millennium has been reached. This has happened in nearly every corner of nearly every new American bathroom, but nowhere more than in the countertop lavatory. What used to be the wash basin (practical necessity) has become part of the dressing table (glamour spot for making up), surrounded by a countertop for spreading out everything from toothpaste to mascara. Obviously, this combination is bound to please everyone, and therefore can be had in any variation from the simple, mass-produced ones being installed in low-cost houses across the country, to the strictly elegant, custom-made version. The inefficient, unglamorous wash basin, standing alone with waste space below and beside it, has been well replaced by the new countertop lavatory. It combines the efficiency of precision planning with all the glamour of a star's dressing room. *Bathroom equipment, page 109. Shopping information, page 107*



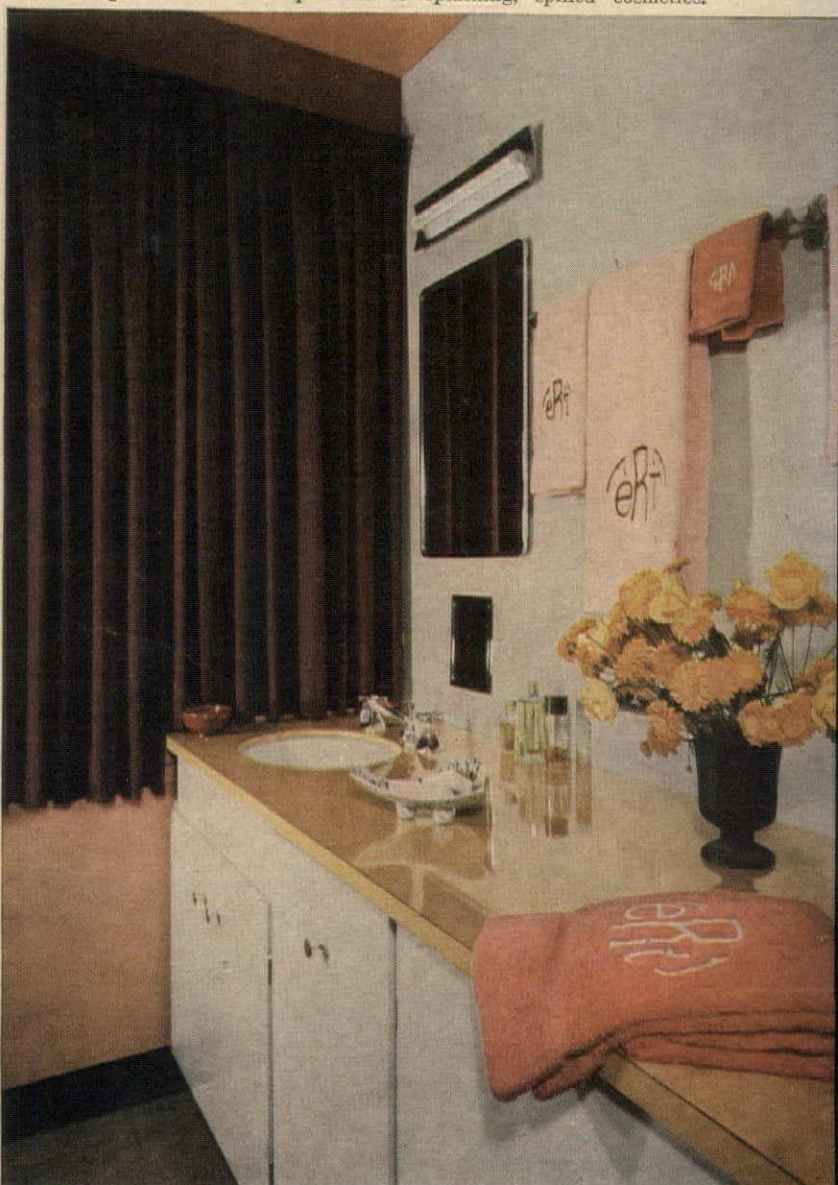
Lavatory designed for easy countertop installation has a good shelf space beside it. Ample storage for towels, medical supplies, cosmetics below.



Towels stored directly above lavatory are readily accessible. Plastic in wood grain finish is impervious to splashing, spilled cosmetics.



Traditional flavor is maintained with wallpaper, pictures and accessories although up-to-date lighting and materials are used throughout.



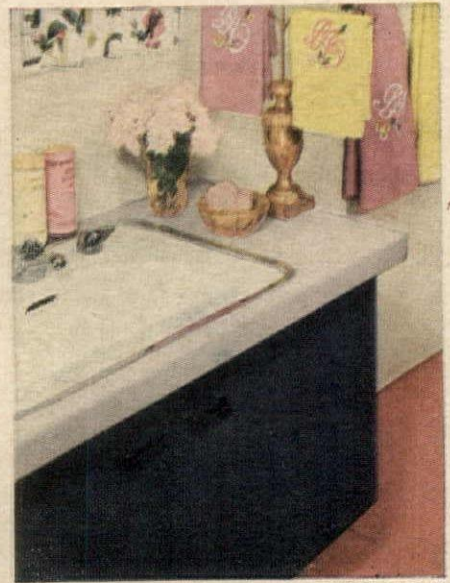
Overhead light gives good night-lighting for medicine chest mirror. Laminated plastic countertop extends over cabinet which holds supplies.



Skylighted bath-dressing room has ceramic tile on walls, floor and bench seat



Portable cart for towel storage



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Wide countertop for accessories



Slate-top chest, ceramic tile walls set color scheme for towels, decorations.



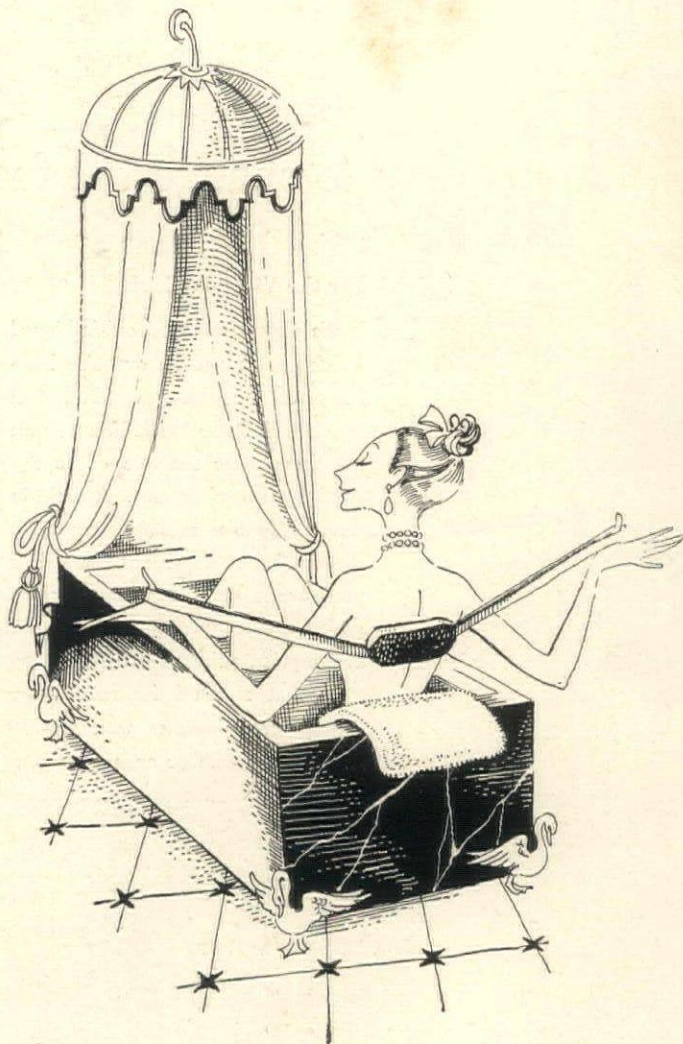
All-purpose bath has individual towels arranged by color in a metal étagère.



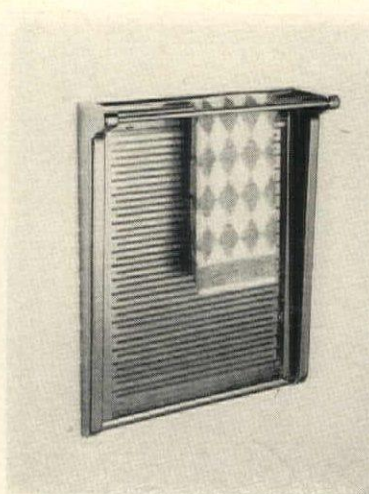
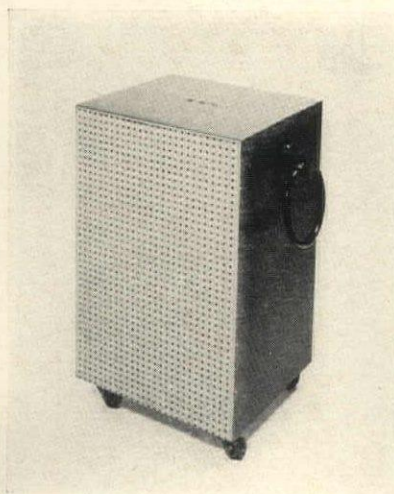
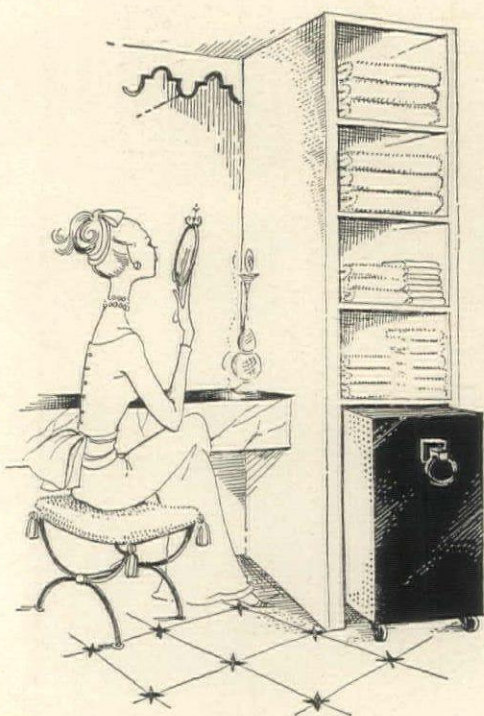
Towel bar of barber pole inspiration is within easy reach of man-sized lavatory.

Is your bathroom up-to-date?

When it comes to bathroom comfort, a great many people still live in the Dark Ages. They are really not aware of the revolutionary changes that new materials and modern design have achieved. To fulfill its true purpose, your bathroom should give you comfort, convenience and color. The good news is that you don't have to remodel the room to gain these virtues. The colorful, easy-upkeep equipment shown on these pages can help to revamp it. Bright ceramic tiles, easy to clean, back recessed shelves, line a shower stall and make a splashboard behind a lavatory. Foam-rubber cushions covered with washable fabric are spots of bright color where you need them. Shower curtains now have engaging designs such as fish, Staffordshire dogs, and Napoleonic bees. Towel rings, towel carts, or pegged barber poles often replace the conventional horizontal towel bars to create a point of interest. Towels are color schemes in themselves, from delicate pastels and deep solid tones to vivid pencil stripes, plaids and harlequin designs. To cover wall defects, you can use a washable fabric-backed plastic that looks like wood. Similarly, the sins of many floors can be hidden with washable wall-to-wall cotton carpeting.



Terry-covered foam rubber pillow attaches to tub for comfortable bathing. Loofah sponge makes back scrubbing easy.



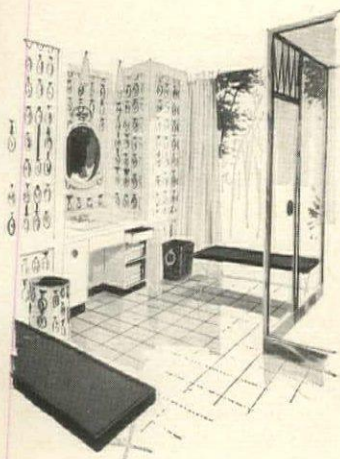
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Ventilated hamper with steam resistant Combination electrical heater-dryer at Towel bar is a ring of black finish, rolls on casters to fit beneath shelves easily to wall. Rods over a radiant glass panel hold towels, lingerie, with Fieldcrest towel sets.

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Four ways to change the face of your bathroom



For the Victorian look

Walls papered with an old-fashioned watch design and an over-size hamper covered to match give a bathroom a 'Life with Father' look. To carry out the theme, use realistic *découpage* around an oval mirror. A built-in lavatory doubles as a dressing table. Plastic baskets with tortoiseshell finish are easy to clean. Or have a plain basket and hamper slip-covered with a Pompeian print or monogrammed terry that zips off for laundering. Wrought-iron benches with plastic-covered foam-rubber cushions add a note of twentieth-century relaxation.



For the Venetian look

With harlequin wallpaper, the most conservative bathroom takes on a gay aspect. Make a wall mural of Harlequin, the enigmatic fellow whose fame spans centuries, by pasting colored paper or pieces of felt on a wallboard. Paint diamond-shaped handles on storage cabinets under a built-in sink to match the wallpaper. A linoleum-tile floor and laminated-plastic sink counter will resist scuffs, scratches and water stains. For the small fry, have their own personal tuckaway stool and rope-handled basket decorated with bunny motifs.



Good plumbing means good health for your home

Plumbing, as far as most of us are concerned, is something we prefer to have someone else deal with. If a drain gets stopped up or cold water comes out of the hot water tap, we are apt to get a plumber, quick. Actually, the modern American plumbing system is a simple affair. It consists of one set of pipes to bring water into the house, another to carry it away and a third set called vents, for the escape of noxious gases. It will function smoothly if you follow a few simple rules: (1) Learn where the main water supply valve is, so you can turn it on or off if necessary. (2) Don't assume that you can throw everything down the drain; you can't. (3) Watch for danger signals; for example, reddish water means rust in the pipes. (4) Make any necessary repairs promptly. Good plumbing contributes to good health, and therefore it deserves good care. For complete 'how to' instructions for stopping a leaky faucet and list of plumbing booklets, write H&G's Reader Service.



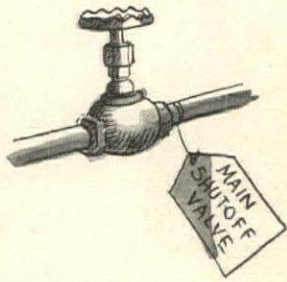
Thaw out frozen pipes by an application of rags soaked in hot water, never by sudden spot heat or acetylene torch.



Remove obstacles caught in trap under sink by unscrewing trap screw or U-shaped elbow. Place pail under trap to catch water.



Shower heads are removable. When clogged, unscrew, scrub with hot soapy water. Open holes with needle or icepick.



Main supply valve turns house water on or off, is usually located in basement near street side. Name-tag identifies it.



Never use enamel surfaces as cutting or chopping boards. To prevent permanent injury, remove fruit or dye stains, at once.



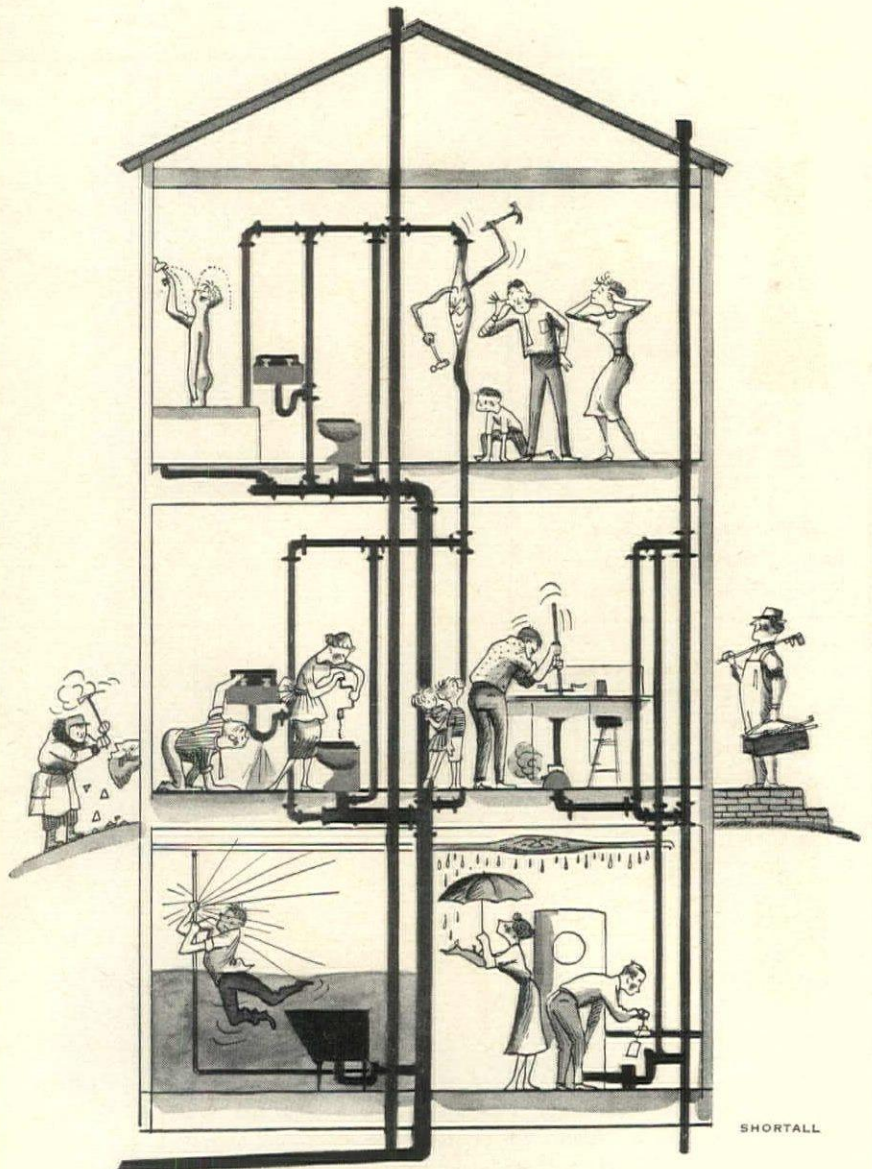
Condensation causes sweating pipes, is not a sign of faulty plumbing. Wrap with insulating tape to stop formation of water.



Use 10-foot spring steel auger with crank-type handle to clear stoppage in toilet trap. Careless handling may crack bowl.



First aids for cleaning out pipes clogged with grease: ammonia in boiling water; commercial cleaner and rubber cup plunger.

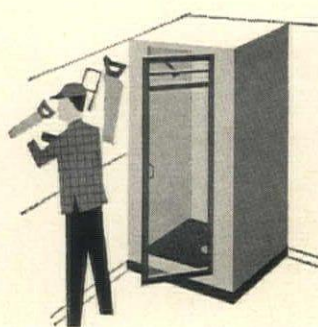


Plumbing neglect means inconvenience, damage and big repair bills

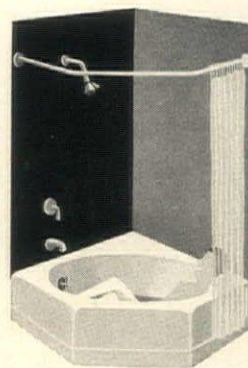
Better bathrooms begin with better equipment

Extra comfort and convenience aren't limited to custom-designed new bathrooms. The latest products and equipment sketched here are ready-made for installation in new or old houses. Dressing table lavatories give you countertops on which to place brushes, bottles, a razor; they include storage for towels, hamper, cosmetics, bathroom accessories. They put waste space under and around the lavatory to good use. Twin medicine chests give both husband and wife independent and ample storage. Prefabricated shower cabinets fit in small space in almost any size bath. Additional blessings are fixtures to give bright, even light for make-up or shaving; fans to keep the air fresh; wall heaters to take off the chill. Add to these the immeasurable advantages of the good-looking, hard-wearing, easy-to-clean floor and wall materials.

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Shower cabinet, ready-made, for mud room, workshop, bath, has terrazzo floor, and steel walls.



Corner tub for bath or shower is oval shaped and easy to clean. Models fit corners or alcoves.



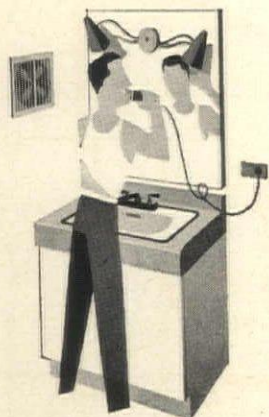
Counter cabinet includes lavatory, hamper, cosmetic drawer, towel, cleaning supply space.



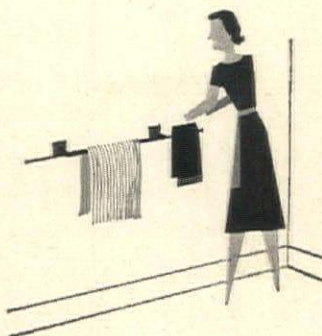
Dressing table lavatory is ready-made, has plastic counter. Wall heater operates automatically.



Chrome towel rack adds four bars for towels or drying light laundry. Hangs on existing bar.



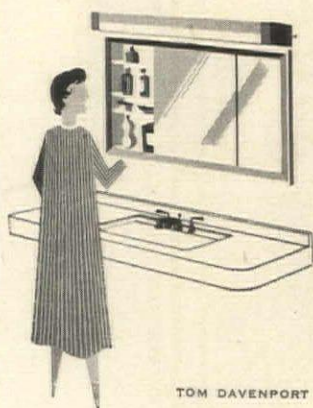
Cabinet lavatory, only 27 inches wide, has one-piece plastic countertop. Note ventilating wall fan.



Towel bar telescopes out to hold extra towels, lingerie. Ends push into bar when space is unneeded.

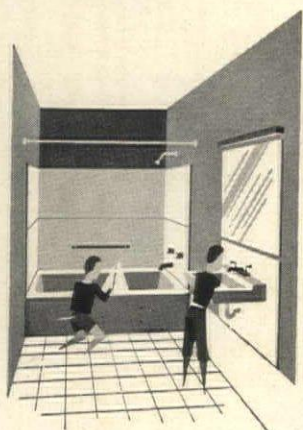


Plastic tiles, in large, 8½ by 8½-inch squares, in 12 colors, are easy to apply to the walls.

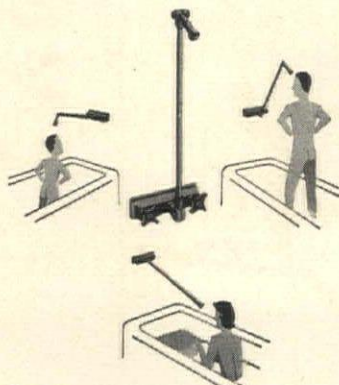


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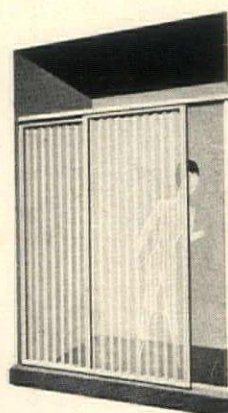
Medicine chest has twin compartments to double storage. Note sliding mirrors and light.



Glass panels, behind tub and lavatory, are water- and steam-proof and can be put up easily.



Adjustable fixture raises or lowers for shower, for shampoo, for tub use, or to fit child's height.



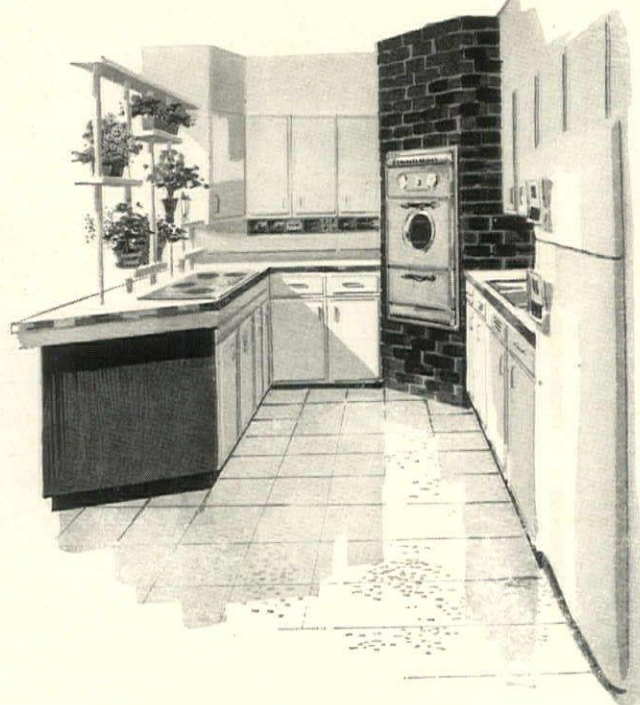
Corrugated plastic is used for shower enclosure, is translucent and available in seven colors.

Vacation in the kitchen

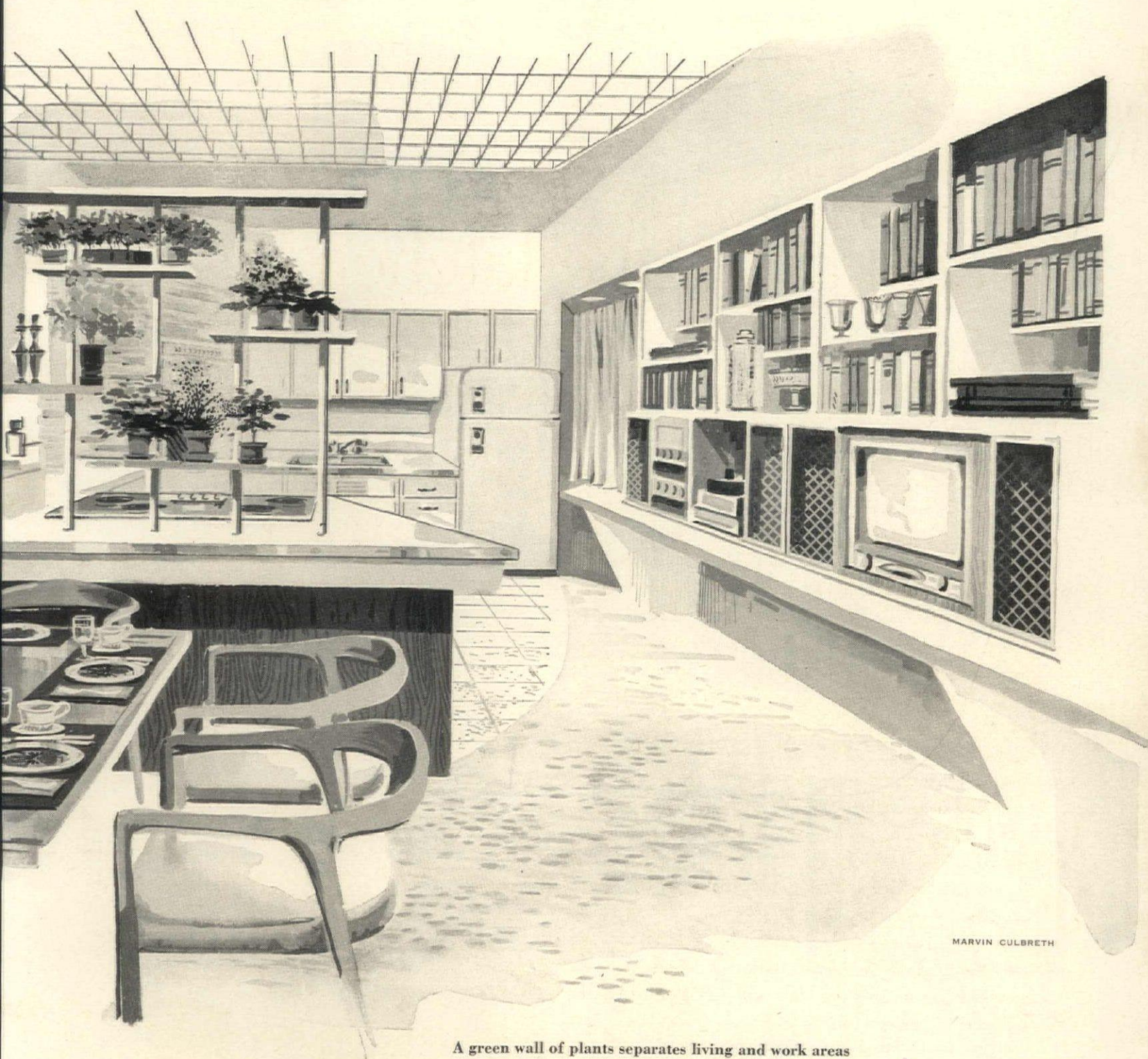
Open house entertaining plays an important role in the lives of most American families today, and with parties on a more informal basis it stands to reason that open kitchen planning makes a great deal of sense. But entertaining is not the only delight in a large, open room; everyday living takes on a new aspect. For here the family can congregate at any time of the day or night to watch television, listen to music, read, play games and try out new recipes. From the day that a youngster is old enough to stand up, he will spend a lot of time in the kitchen. Playing first with pots and pans (completely ignoring that expensive toy he got for Christmas), he graduates to the 'May I have a cookie?' stage and from there to the period when he and his friends will be raiding the ice-box.

The kitchen-dining-living room opposite is planned with just these things in mind. It is a remodeled room, evolving from three smaller ones in a large old house. Its owners have a zest for living. They like to cook, and they enjoy good food. Entertaining rates high on their list. They spend a lot of time listening to good music, watching television and catching up on the day's news. The decentralized equipment in their kitchen allows more than one person to cook at the same time; a boon to holiday parties, midnight snacks, and other occasions when people like to whip up an impromptu meal. In the dining area, round-table discussions, games and even dancing can be enjoyed. The open partition affords the enthusiastic gardener an opportunity to grow a green wall. The two kitchens shown here and on the following page have been planned for easy entertaining. You, too, can have a holiday in your kitchen if you let it work *for* you.

*Modern materials and equipment
make today's kitchen a
holiday center for the whole family*

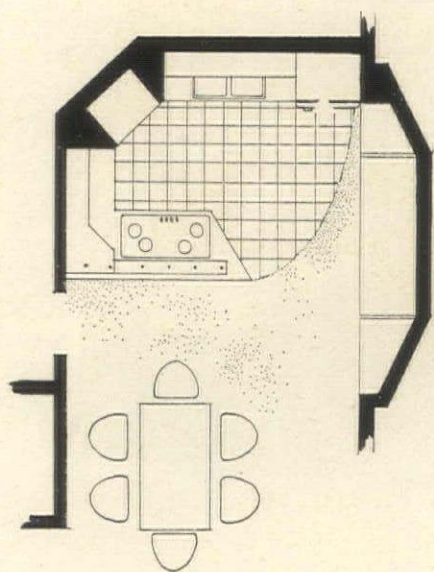


Guests can help with the cooking in this kitchen



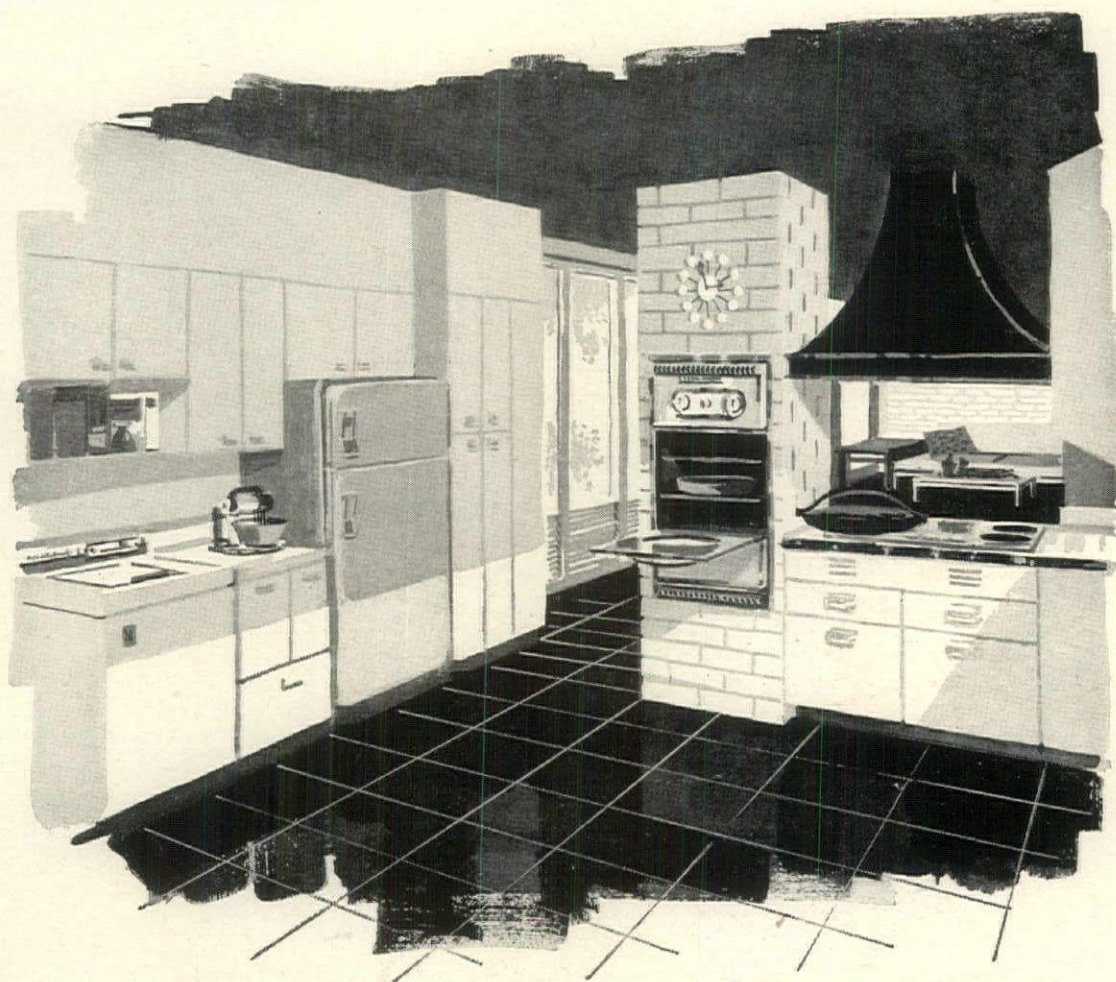
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A green wall of plants separates living and work areas

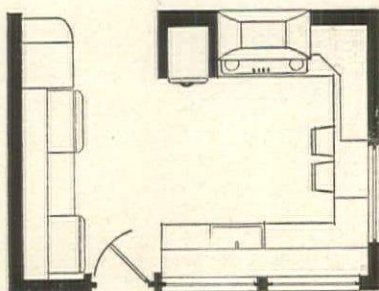


1. *Music while you work*

An entire wall has been designed to include television and a high-fidelity combination radio and phonograph, within listening and viewing distance of all corners of the room. Although the ceiling is actually low, a feeling of height was accomplished by painting it a dark color and covering it with an egg-crate ceiling of plywood in a lighter tone. (Egg-crate, incidentally, is the technical name for this type of installation.) The living area takes its color scheme from the painting on the open partition, the colors being repeated on television wall. Room is pale green; cupboards, natural wood, green finish. Floor, sand-colored vinyl in work area; carpet in living area.

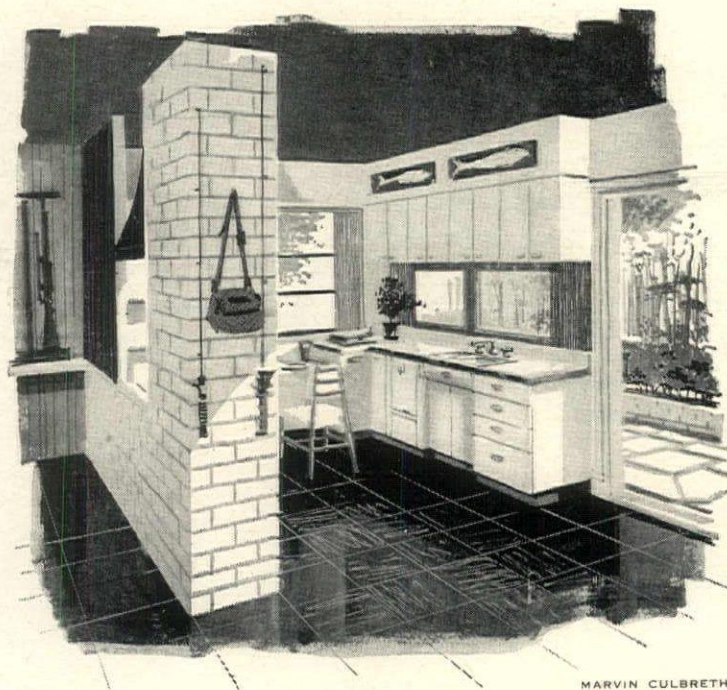


Strategically placed equipment eliminates confusion in meal preparation



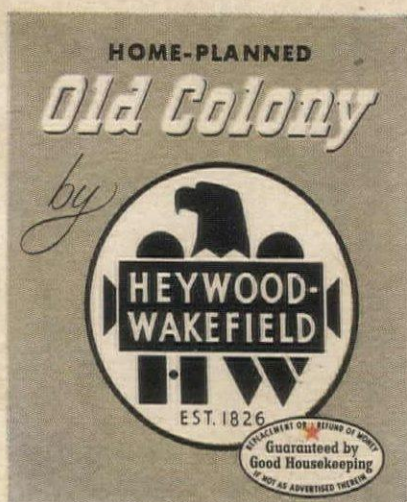
2. *Week-end kitchen takes care of itself*

We Americans are fast becoming a nation of week-enders, whether it be at the shore, in the mountains or merely a few miles away from town. Summer cottages have become year-round week-end retreats for city dwellers and suburbanites. But no matter who the vacationer may be, he doesn't want to spend a lot of time collecting food supplies, cleaning out an accumulation of dust or doing a big laundry. This kitchen has been designed with the week-end in mind since it practically takes care of itself. A freezer accommodates fish and game for quick preparation of meals. An automatic washer can be set to wash, rinse and dry soiled clothes and bed linen so that everything will be spanking clean when the owner returns. Everything in the room spells easy-upkeep, from the vinyl floor and the scrubbable, sculptured weave of the vinyl walls to the insect-proof and damp-proof steel cabinets. Gas-fed equipment is insurance for continual cooking, refrigeration and laundry in the event of a power shortage. The cooking peninsula (under the black metal hood) serves as a convenient pass-through to the dining area. For details on equipment see page 110



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Pass-through saves steps between kitchen and living-room area



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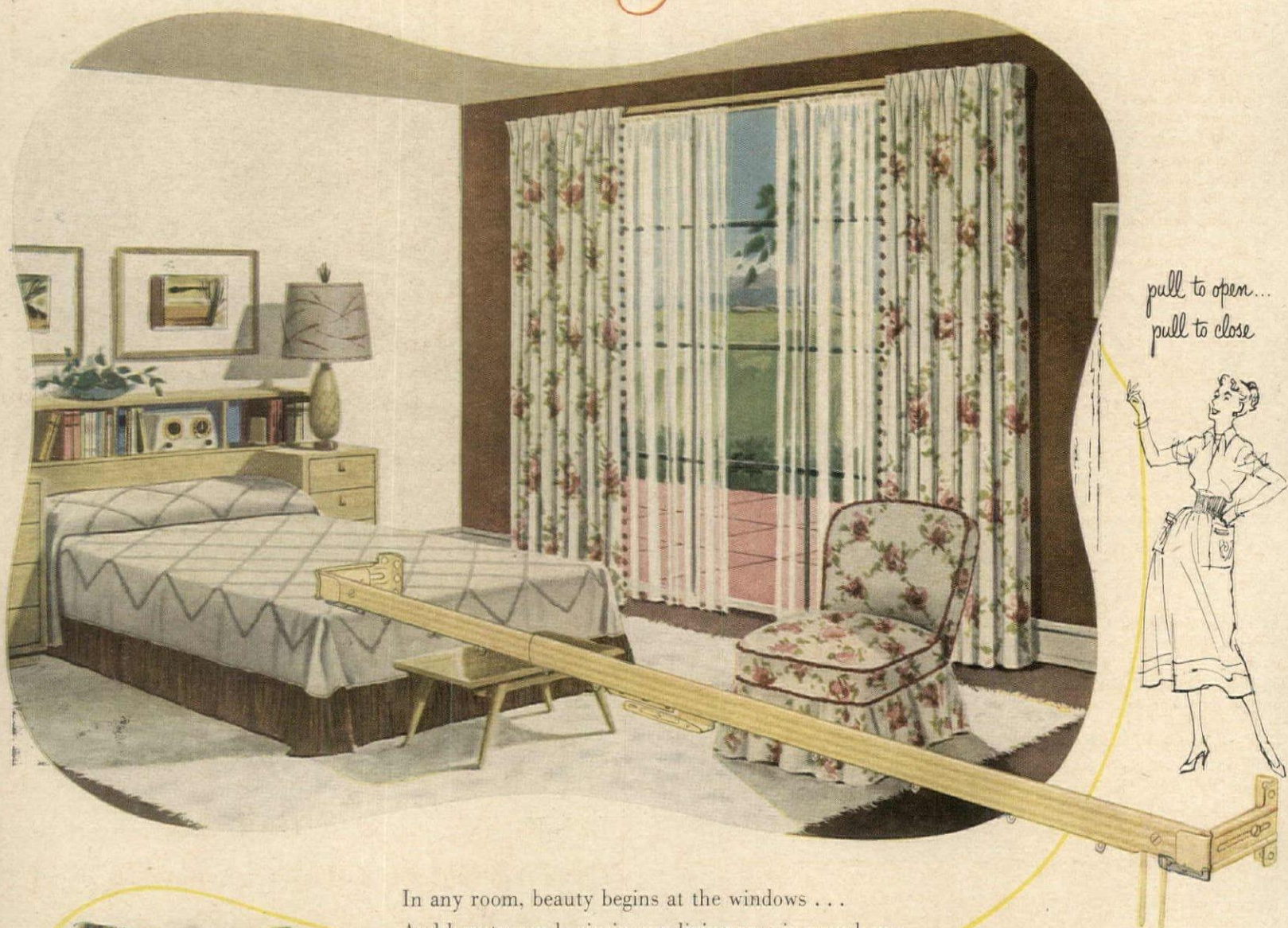
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Shopping Information

Cotton prints

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 66-69. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

Pages 66 and 67:

Fabrics left to right:

'Verona' Glosheen, 36" wide (in carnation, black and dove gray on white); plain carnation Glosheen, 36" wide; 'Etruscan Cloth' royal purple antique satin, 48" wide; 'Flower Mart' Glosheen, 36" wide in Dresden blue, clover pink, green and gray; 'Corinthian Cloth' rayon and cotton slub texture, 48" wide, pebble; 'Etruscan Cloth,' rust antique satin, 48" wide; 'Holyoke' Glosheen, 36" wide, persimmon and green on citron yellow; 'Etruscan Cloth,' brown, 48" wide; 'Etruscan Cloth,' 48" wide in Empire green; 'A La Carte' Dresden and middy blue, lime and emerald green on white Glosheen, 36" wide; French blue Glosheen, 36" wide, all by Waverly Fabrics. All fabrics at Stower's, Houston.

Early American chair (on wall), by Conant Ball, available unpainted. Chair on floor is antique.

Cotton, Wunda Weve rugs, by Belrug Mills.

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Early American round dining table is rock maple painted charcoal gray, has modified spool legs, extends to 78" x 48"; contemporary spindleback chairs are painted mustard on solid birch, with removable cushions; chest is birch with brushed birch finish; both from Modernmates Group. All furniture by Conant Ball Co. Chairs and table are available in Gloucester maple finish, or unfinished ready to paint. Curtains, 'Finlandia'; cushion covers, 'Chatham,' both Glosheen, 36" wide, by Waverly Fabrics.

Wunda Weve cotton carpeting, by Belrug Mills.

Adjustable chandelier with brushed brass finish, by Stamford Lighting, Inc. Chess set, at Georg Jensen, N. Y.

'Coalport' highball glasses, by A. H. Heisey & Co.

Fornasetti, black with white, tray, at Bonniers, N. Y.

'Puritan' whiskey decanters, by A. H. Heisey & Co.

Angel Gabriel weathervane, from Downtown Gallery, N. Y.

Page 69, Upper left sketch:

Curtains, 'A La Carte' Glosheen, 36" wide, by Waverly Fabrics.

Upper right sketch:

Curtains, 'Holyoke' Glosheen, 36" wide, by Waverly Fabrics.

Bottom:

Single-pedestal desk is birch with brushed birch finish; sofa has foam rubber seat and birch legs; cocktail table with birch finish has magazine rack and cane panels; bed has spindle footboard and plain headboard; all from Modernmates Group.

Black spindleback chair from Early American Group is available unpainted or in Gloucester maple finish. Furniture by Conant Ball Co.

Table model radio-phonograph combines 3-speed changer, speaker and dial in single unit (washable, scratch-resistant, blonde Pyroxylin plastic), by Zenith Corp.

50" rose mattress and box spring, by Spring-Air Co.

Curtains made from 'Flower Mart' printed Glosheen, 36" wide, by Waverly Fabrics.

Cotton carpeting, Wunda Weve, by Belrug Mills.

White leather desk set, Georg Jensen. Birch lamp, with opaque white linen shade (on table), from Hansen.

Steel pen drawings of 'Three Birds' and 'Horse with Trappings' by J. W. Hamlen, from Downtown Gallery, N. Y.

Glosheen prints and solid colors under \$2 yd., with gold overlay under \$2.50 yd., 'Etruscan Cloth,' \$3 yd., 'Corinthian,' \$4 yd.

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Harlequin Look

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 72-75. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

Page 72:

'Sun King' wallpaper, by Pageant Wallpapers.

Turquoise-and-green striped vase, turquoise enamel match box, and 'Venini' blue-and-red Venetian glass, at Georg Jensen, N. Y.

Turquoise-and-black diamond-block lamp base (holding fabric), at Lange & Williams, N. Y.

Green vase by Seguso, Bonniers, N. Y. 'La Pyramid' handprinted panel, 3½ yards long, 50" wide, by Quaintance Fabrics, from Penthouse Gallery, N. Y. Black tole tray with hand design, designed by Fornasetti, at Bonniers.

Blue vase on tray, at Georg Jensen. Lamp with diamond design on wood (greens and blues on white), at Lange & Williams.

'No Trump' handprinted on cotton, 50" wide, by Quaintance Fabrics, from Penthouse Gallery.

French 18th-Century gilt wood door symbol, from Sydney Brown.

Page 73:

Game table of gray cast walnut on mahogany, diamond inlay of Macassar ebony top, has brass stretchers, designed by Paul McCobb for H. Sacks & Son.

Chairs of black metal with gilded metal ball tips, rush seats & backs, designed by Milo Baughman for Murray Furniture Mfg. Co.

Ottoman with brass frame and legs, designed by Paul McCobb, upholstered with blue-green felt, by Central Felt.

Round table has brass tripod legs, edging, glass top, by Chadoff-Seymour.

Black marbleized wooden column, from Sydney Brown.

Bright blue cards with gold edge, score pad, and bamboo & gold pencil, all at Cartier, N. Y.

Pair of pink enamel ashtrays, and green enamel cigarette urn, at Bonniers.

Round black-lacquered Japanese tray holds 'Alsterfors' liqueur decanter, Boda liqueur glasses, and Italian enamel ashtray, all Bonniers.

Bamboo lighter, at Cartier.

Brass bouillotte lamp reproduction has a green tole shade, from Empire Exchange.

'Harlequin' diamond wallpaper in tones of blue, sand, black and white, by Pageant Wallpaper.

Black and white marbleized Amtico

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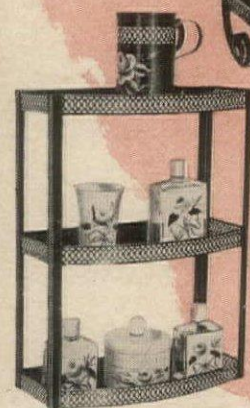


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rubber tile flooring, 9" squares, by American Biltrite Rubber Co.

Gilt lionhead doorknobs, Sydney Brown.

Cotton rug in ginger & gray, 'Harlequin' with natural background, 4' x 6', by Karastan.

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Blue opaline bowl, by Falasco-Smith. French harlequin china plate, at Bonniers.

'Reigning Beauty' Heirloom sterling, by Oneida Ltd.

Blue napkins and lavender cloth, from A. Katz Linens.

Black Italian chair with gold design by Fornasetti, at Bonniers.

'Classic' amethyst wine glass and clear goblet, by Fostoria Glass Co.

Blue opaline cigarette box with brass handle and stand from Paris, by Falasco-Smith.

Green enamel ash tray and match holder, from B. Altman.

Tripod candlestick of Italian glass, at Saks Guest And Gift Shop, N. Y.

Page 75:

'Swiss Guard' wallpaper designed by Vera has diamonds of steel gray & white, spatterdashed with black-and-gold stars, by Schumacher.

Gold-on-white and gold-on-black high-ball glasses, at Penthouse Gallery.

White tray with balloons motif, from Italian Book & Craft, N. Y.

White Italian bowl, at Bonniers.

Black-and-white lamp base, at House of Italian Handicraft, N. Y.

Big and small, black-and-white check paperweight, at Penthouse Gallery.

Venetian bird, at Bonniers.

Silver leads a double life

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 76-77. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

Page 76:

Silverplate soup tureen, capacity 3 qts., by Reed & Barton.

Sterling silver ice tub with vacuum lining, by Tuttle Silver Co.

'Melon' muffin dish, by Community.

3-piece vegetable dish, by The Sheffield Silver Co. Made in U.S.A.

Page 77:

Two-tiered tidbit tray, by The Sheffield Silver Co.

Paul Revere bowls, 9" and 5", by Tuttle Silver Co.

Sterling coffee pot, sugar bowl, creamer, and Formica tray, by Gorham Co.

Covered well and tree platter, 12", by Poole Silver Co.

'Melon' three sectioned, combination platter, by Community.

Order of the bath

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 83-97. For prices on the items below, write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

Page 83:

Hand, bath, finger-tip towels, and wash cloth, in sunflower yellow, brown and cinnamon, by Fieldcrest Mills.

Book trough table and metal bench with leather seat, Allan Gould.

Hanging lamp, by Metropolitan Light Co.

Toiletries on counter:

Lenthéric's 'Tweed' cologne in tankard,

sachet, and bath powder, from B. Altman, N. Y.

Page 84, top:

Mural wall handpainted by Jay Gresham. 'Domino' shower curtain, gold harlequin design on white acetate taffeta, in special custom size, operates on traverse rod; by Ames Manufacturing Co., at Lord and Taylor, N. Y.

White cotton rugs with non-skid backing, by Cannon.

Round metal table has brass base and travertine top and matching bench.

Bench cushion and floor cushion (made to order), both covered in rocket blue terry toweling, by Cannon.

Low table (by sunken bath) has brass base with travertine top, and square table (by lounge) has brass base and Carrara glass top designed by Paul McCobb.

Lounge with brass base and foam-rubber mattress is custom-made, covered in rocket blue terry cloth; round bolster cover and beach towel are 'Tweed Stripe', by Cannon.

Brass shower head & faucets, custom-made, available through decorators, P. E. Guerin, Inc.

Accessories on round table are 'Venini' Venetian glass ash tray (blue) and vase (blue and white); on table by lounge, pink enamel dish and ash tray, by Ed Winters; all at Georg Jensen, N. Y.

Bottom right:

'Grand Manner' bath towels, with old Roman monograms in gold on aqua, rocket blue, and lightning pink; 'Domino' hand towel in aqua and white; both by Cannon. Available at Lord & Taylor.

Monogramming by Smith & Weigler.

Recessed brass towel bars, custom-made, available through C. Eugene Stephenson Associates.

Accessories on low table by tub: Large 'Blue Grass' and small 'June Geranium' bath salts, by Elizabeth Arden; 'Blue Grass Talc' set with lotion and cologne, and blue French powder puff on old brass tray; magnum soaps; all from Saks Fifth Ave., N. Y.

Ivalon nylon sponges, in bright pink.

Bottom left, dressing room:

Closet door painted deep rocket blue, walls bright pink and white.

Dove gray Flor-Supreme vinyl tile flooring, by Sloane-Delaware.

Round, lightning pink, cotton rug, finger-tip towels in aqua, rocket blue, and white, by Cannon.

Old Roman monograms, by Smith & Weigler.

'Americana' brass ceiling lighting fixture and perforated brass hanging lamps, by Lite-Craft Mfg. Co.

Cushion on bench is lightning pink terry cloth with white cord and tassel trim (custom made).

Accessories on counter:

Gold-bordered mirror tray holding Lancome's 'Magic', Guerlain's 'Shalimar', Lubin's 'Nuit de Longchamp', and white powder box with gold swirl, all Saks Fifth Ave.

Large and small blue glass bowls, at Georg Jensen.

Photographed in the showroom of Cannon.

Page 90:

Slipcover on lounge, custom-made in gray-and-white, shantung texture, plastic 'Boltaflex' material.

Foam-rubber and Fiberglas floor cushion

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ions, slip-covered in washable 'Burlcrisp Linen', teal blue with zipper closing, by Nettle Creek Industries Inc. Small cushions slip-covered with Martex terry cloth (aqua, top brass, and platinum gray), custom-made. Square table has brass legs and white Carrara glass top, designed by Paul McCobb for Directional Modern, N. Y.

On table:

Orange enamel ash tray and brass tray, from Georg Jensen.
Brass coffee pot and sugar and creamer (on tray), from Designed for Living, N. Y.
Black and white Italian cups and saucers, Bonniers, N. Y.
Teaspoons, by Dirilyte.
White bowl (on pedestal), Bonniers.

Page 91:

'Luxor' bath sheets and towels, in apricot & navy, by Martex with gray scroll and white block monograms by Smith & Weigler.
Étagère gold-rubbed wrought-iron stand with bleached ash shelves, from Parzinger, N. Y.

On étagère:

Apothecary jars, at New Design, N. Y.
Natural sponges and Morny guest soap (in jars) and Satinol Bath Oil, at Cassebeer, N. Y.

By tub:

Kent bath brush, Jean Naté.
After-Bath Lotion and Revlon Aquamarine soap, all at Cassebeer.

Page 93, top left:

'Continental' black-and-white stripe towels, by Cannon.
Plain yellow towels, by Cannon with brown block-style monograms, by Smith & Weigler.

Top right:

Towels in champagne and lemon yellow, dove gray, and black-and-white plaid, by Fieldcrest Mills.

Page 94, top left:

'Symphony' bath and hand towels (royal purple), by Fieldcrest Mills.
'Glowtone' white taffeta shower curtain (6' x 6'), by Scranton Lace Co.
Doctor's-type scale with white and black Vinyl foot rest and height measure, by Detecto Scale Co.
'Ormesby Bourette' purple pillow fabric, by Greeff Fabrics.
'Duveltyne' zebra, pillow fabric, by Dazian's.
Antique accessories (top shelf), from David Weiss.
Italian stone figure, Erkins Studios.

Top right:

Sharp colors, green and vivid pink with white bath fixtures.
'Continental' bath and hand towels, and wash cloths striped in white and lightning pink; 'Grand Manner' bath and hand towels and wash cloths in forest green and lightning pink; all by Cannon.
White linen guest towels with beige embroidered borders, by Luba Eliañoff, at McCutcheons, N. Y.
Striped Chromspun taffeta shower curtain, by Scranton Lace Co.
'Marbalia' marbled wall covering with plastic coating, by Laverne Originals.
Vinyl flooring, 9" squares, by Robbins Floor Products, Inc.
Movable cart with travertine top and

brass legs, designed by Paul McCobb for Calvin Furniture Co.

10"-high brass stand with glass inset by McCobb. Schiaparelli soaps, bath oils, and 'Shocking' cologne, all from B. Altman Co.

Photographed at Crane Co. showroom, N. Y.

Center right:

'Sun Valley' bath, hand, and finger-tip towels (lilac and yellow), by Callaway Mills with scroll and blossom monograms, by Smith & Weigler.
'Directoir' Everglaze chintz for curtains, 36" wide, by Cyrus Clark.
'Palmetto' plastic wall covering with fabric backing, 54" wide, completely washable, by L. E. Carpenter.
Rubber tile flooring, 9" squares, by Danbury Rubber Co.

Espalier tree of metal in wood vase with antique gold finish, designed by C. Eugene Stephenson Associates.

Amber vase, by Imperial Glass Co.

'Apple Blossom' bath salts and soaps, by Helena Rubinstein, from B. Altman. Photographed at Crane Co. showroom.

Bottom left:

'Symphony' bath and hand towels (royal purple, white, Dresden blue), by Fieldcrest Mills, with blue-and-white script monograms by Smith & Weigler.

Custom-made towel bar with Bristol glass finials & brass pole, designed by C. Eugene Stephenson Associates.

'Bridgewater' wallpaper (blue and white), by W. J. Galligan & Sons Corp.
'Snowflake' pattern vinyl shower curtain, by Para Mfg. Co.

White true blue marbled rubber tile flooring, by Armstrong Cork Co.

Chest (26" l. x 17" w. x 24" h.) in 'Old Walnut' finish has faded green flagstone top, recessed Spanish paneling to frame diamond parquetry drawer face, and brass pulls, by Heritage-Henredon.

Loganberry milk glass vase and ash tray and 'Chroma Pattern' burgundy flat dish, by Imperial Glass Corp.

Soaps and bath salts, by Dorothy Gray, from B. Altman.
Photographed at Crane Co. showroom.

Bottom center:

Bath, hand, and finger-tip 'Luxor' towels in gunmetal for Father, navy for Son, champagne and apricot for Mother, by Martex.
Walls painted grège.

'Trianon' shower curtain printed with gold Napoleonic bees on charcoal taffeta, by Para Mfg. Co., at McCutcheons.
Desert tan bath tub, by Universal-Rundle.

Cotton carpeting, champagne, wall-to-wall is in 36" widths taped together, can be removed for laundering, easily cut to size around fixtures (no binding required, latex backing prevents raveling) by Martex.

Black wrought-iron column with glass shelves designed by Paul McCobb for Arbuck Inc.

Bench, at McCutcheon's.

Accessories on column:

Oval magnum soaps, by Mary Chess.
Black perforated metal tray holding 'Loofa' bath sponges with terry-cloth backs, at McCutcheons.

Copper vase, hand-painted wood box, and ceramic painting by Russell-Barrier, at McCutcheon's.



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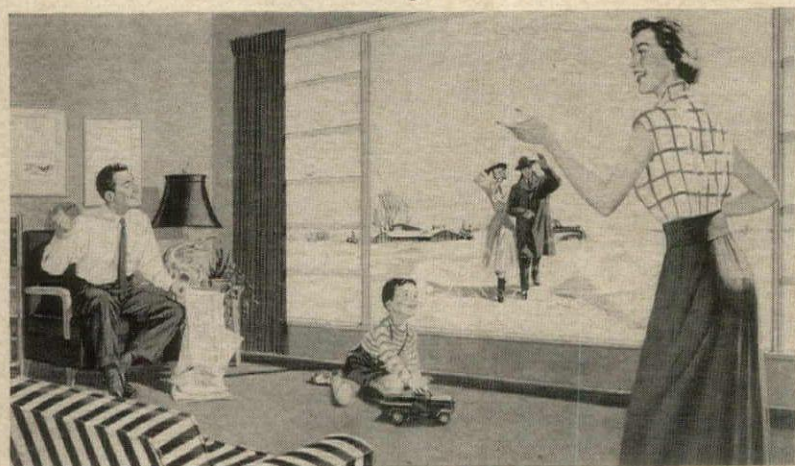
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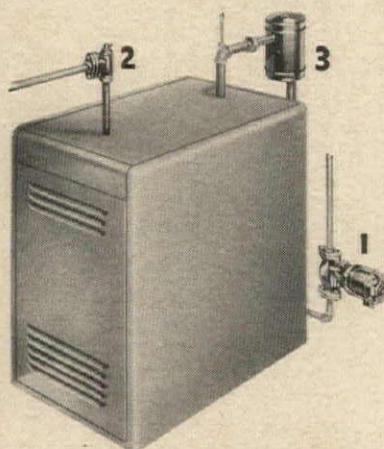
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'King and Queen' perfume chess pieces and star bottle toilet water, by Mary Chess. Photographed at McCutcheon's.

Bottom right:

'Symphony' bath and hand towels (cream, cinnamon, and chocolate), by Fieldcrest Mills. Monogram designed from the fish motif in shower curtain, by Smith & Weigler.

'Bar Harbor' fish design on taffeta shower curtain (brown and gold on beige), by Ames Shower Curtain Co., Inc.

'Amtico' marbleized rubber tile flooring (deep brown), 9" squares, American Tile & Bilrite Rubber Co.

'Woodweave' beige plastic with fabric back wall covering, by L. E. Carpenter. Towel holder designed from antique wood barber pole, by C. Eugene Stephenson Associates.

Pedestal table, 22" diam. has mahogany in walnut finish, by Paul McCobb for H. Sacks & Sons.

Brass Italian trays, at Design Previews, N. Y.

Soap by Mary Chess, and Fabergé 'Woodhue' talcum, from B. Altman Co. Photographed at Crane Co. showroom.

Page 95, top:

'Loofa' oval bath sponge with cotton bands for back massage and 'Terry Foam' oblong foam-rubber pillow covered in terry cloth, attaches to tub with suction cups (use folded as pillow or flat over edge of tub as seat), by Terry Foam.

Bottom, left to right:

Hamper on casters made of Micarta plastic laminate material, sides of perforated masonite for ventilation, large ring pull on front can hold towel. Available in black, white or colors, made to order in any desired size, designed by Flynn & Van Sielen.

'Glassheat' bath heater and dryer is radiant-heated glass operated electrically in conjunction with thermostat; chromium finish easily attaches to wall. Black 'Lucite' towel bar with ring and open end crossbar, all available in clear 'Lucite', by Handy Andy.

Towel, by Fieldcrest Mills. Script monogram, by Smith & Weigler.

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Wood bucket and matching sink-step painted with bunnies, at Fairchild's, N. Y.

Wire perfume rack, Soovia Janis, N. Y. Cologne (on rack), at King's Men Ltd, N. Y.

Clock wallpaper from Piazza, metal hamper painted in matching clock motif, and gold wire hamper lined in quilted chintz and plastic, from Fairchild's.

Wire table to attach to wall, from Soovia Janis.

3 bottles of cologne (on table), from Caswell-Massey Co., N. Y.

Tortoiseshell waste basket, at Saks Fifth Ave.

'Lucite' hamper and basket with 'milk glass look', Fairchild's.

Terry-slip-covered, monogrammed, basket and hamper; tub make-up tray in chrome with mirror; black 'Lucite' powder-box set, all at Saks Fifth Ave.

Page 97:

White wire chair and shelf and Venetian striated glass set, all Fairchild's.

Triple-size apothecary jar and bird-shape jar for puffs or cotton, from Soovia Janis.

Curved 'Lucite' hand mirror, at Saks Fifth Ave.

Gold fleur-de-lis wallpaper, gold on white, matching hamper and basket; 'Lucite' towel rack; hamper and waste basket slip-covered in black-and-white printed cotton with gold thread; all at Sherle Wagner, N. Y.

Wood and wicker 'Tub Talk' make-up tray with suction holders, at Hammacher Schlemmer, N. Y.

Magazine rack, small hamper, and waste basket, enamelled metal, from Soovia Janis.

Bathroom materials and equipment

Following is a list of the materials and equipment used in the bathrooms shown on pages 83-99, 111, 119.

Page 83:

Designer, Ving Smith. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Universal-Rundle Corp. WALL TILE: Mosaic Tile Co. FLOOR: Flagstone. PANEL OVER TUB: Polyplastex United, Inc. COUNTERTOP: 'Formica,' Formica Co. HARDWARE: Kraft Hardware Co.

Page 84:

CLAY TILE FLOORING in aqua, cerulean and white with monochromatic effect; white clay tile walls. Tile Council of America.

Pages 86 and 87

Designer: William Haines, Inc., in collaboration with J. A. Schutts, architect. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. LAVATORY COUNTERTOP: Carrara glass, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.

Page 88, top

Bath-dressing room in home of Miss Bert de Winter. LAVATORY: American-Standard. Other fixtures: Crane Co. COUNTERTOP: Pink marble. Cabinets under counter, closet with pull-out shelves, cabinet with sliding mirrors were custom made.

Bottom

Bathroom in home of Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Q. Davis. Architects: Curtis & Davis. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Crane Co. FLOOR & WALL TILE: Mosaic Tile Co. COUNTERTOP: 'Formica Realwood,' Formica Co. MEDICINE CABINETS: Miami-Cabinet Division, Philip Carey Co.

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Bathroom in home of Mr. Jon Whitcomb. Architects: Sherwood, Mills & Smith. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Crane Co. COUNTER CABINETS AND SLIDING MEDICINE CABINETS: Custom made. COUNTER TOP AND FLOOR: linoleum.

Top right

Bath-dressing room in home of Mr. & Mrs. Philip D. Block, Jr. Architects: Samuel A. Marx, Noel L. Flint, Charles W. Schonne. COUNTER LAVATORY: Crane Co. COUNTERTOP: White marble. STORAGE CABINETS: Custom made.

Bottom left

Bathroom in home of Mr. & Mrs. Walter Moses, Jr. Architects: Curtis & Davis. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Crane Co. TILE FLOOR: Mosaic Tile Co. COUNTERTOP: 'Formica Realwood,' Formica Co. WALLS: Carrara glass, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. MEDICINE CABINETS: Miami-Cabinet Division, Philip Carey Co. (Continued on page 109)

Cabinet Division, Philip Carey Co.
Bottom center
Bathroom in home of Mr. & Mrs. Sterling Hogan, Sr. Architects: Frank C. Dill of Jackson & Dill. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Kohler Co. FLOOR & WALL TILE: Mosaic Tile Co. CERAMIC TILE COUNTERTOP: Pacific Tile & Porcelain Co. STORAGE CABINETS: Custom made.

Bottom right
Bath-dressing room in home of Mr. & Mrs. Walter Gordon. Architect, Walter Gordon. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. COUNTERTOP: Loreda Chiaro marble. ACOUSTICAL CEILING: Celotex Corp. LIGHTING FIXTURES: Gotham Lighting Corp. COUNTER CABINET: Birch plywood. WALL: Western red cedar.

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Health room in home of Mr. & Mrs. Michael C. Guarino. Architect: C. S. De Sina. WALLS & FLOOR OF TUB RECESS: Aztec rose marble. FLOOR: Colorosa travertine. CEILING: Redwood. LIGHTING FIXTURE: Lightolier, Inc. TUB FITTINGS: Charles A. McCarthy. WINDOW (Greenhouse type): Lord & Burnham.

Page 92, top left
Bath in home of Mrs. H. S. Hampton. Architect, Mark Hampton. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Lavatory, American-Standard; shower fixture, Crane Co.; water closet, W. A. Case & Son Mfg. Co. COUNTERTOP: Gray-green Alberene stone. CABINET: Mahogany plywood. PARTITION (including sliding door between tub-toilet compartment and bath-dressing room): Mahogany plywood stained warm gray. WALL, FLOOR, SEAT & SIDES OF SHOWER-TUB: One-inch gray mosaic tile, American Olean Tile Co. WINDOW WALL: Translucent, fixed glass and glass jalousies. HEATING: Electric radiant heat in ceiling.

Top right
Bath-dressing room in home of Mr. & Mrs. Edward M. Benesch. Architect, Alexander Smith Cochran. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. LAVATORY FITTINGS: Moen Division of Ravenna Metal Products Co. COUNTERTOP: White 'Micarta,' Westinghouse Electric Corp. COUNTER CABINET: Custom made, enameled yellow; dressing table unit by Herman Miller Furniture Co. MIRROR WALL ABOVE COUNTER: A. Chaudron & Sons. BUILT-IN MEDICINE CHEST: Arrow Cabinet Co.

Bottom
Bath-dressing room in home of Mr. & Mrs. B. J. Burnett. Architects, Tucker & Shields. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Kohler Co. COUNTERTOP AND FLOOR: Gray vinyl, Goodyear Rubber Co. COUNTER CABINET: Custom made of wood, painted gray outside, coral inside. MIRRORS: Mounted on plywood and hung on wires for lifting or lowering. WINDOWS: Obscure fixed-glass panels, Mississippi Glass Co.; clerestory windows above, Fentron Steel Works Inc.

Page 93, top left
Bathroom in house built by Alvin Lukashok, Inc. Architects, Edwin & Allen Kramer. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. COUNTERTOP: 'Formica,' Formica Co. LIGHTING FIXTURES: General Lighting Co. MEDICINE CABINET: G. M. Ketcham Mfg. Corp.

Top right
Designer: Henry Dreyfus. LAVATORY: Crane Co. COUNTERTOP: 'Nevamar,' National Plastic Products Co. MIRRORS AND TOWEL SHELVES: Custom made. TOWEL RINGS: General Chrome.

Bottom left
Designers, Marcus Saxer & Carl Naock.

PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. COUNTERTOP: Ceramic tile, Gladding, McBean & Co. LIGHTING FIXTURE: General Lighting Co. WALLPAPER: English import, Schumacher & Co.

Bottom right
Bathroom in home of Mr. & Mrs. William Rogers. Architect, Henry Hill. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. COUNTERTOP: 'Formica,' Formica Co. COUNTER CABINET: Custom made.

Page 94, top left
Bath-dressing room. Designer, Ving Smith. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Crane Co. WALL, FLOOR, COUNTERTOP: Ceramic tile, American Olean Tile Co. HEAT LAMP: Keefe & Keefe, Inc. HARDWARE: Kraft Hardware Co.

Page 111, bottom
Bath-dressing room in home of Miss Hope L. Foote. Designed by owner. LAVATORY: American-Standard. OTHER PLUMBING FIXTURES: Crane Co. COUNTERTOP: Carrara glass, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. COUNTER CABINET: White birch finished with automobile lacquer. WALL AND FLOOR OF BATH ALCOVE: Ceramic tile. LIGHTING FIXTURE AND MIRROR: Custom made, using concealed lumiline lamps.

Top
Bathroom in home of Mrs. J. D. Vail and Miss Alice Roemer. Architect: Philmer J. Ellerbroek. PLUMBING FIXTURES: American-Standard. COUNTERTOP: Marble, Vermont Marble Co. COUNTER CABINET: Custom made. TILE WALLS AROUND TUB: Gladding, McBean & Co. BATH ENCLOSURE: W. P. Fuller & Co.

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Bath-dressing room in home of Dr. & Mrs. T. B. Chew, Jr. Architect: Eugene Kinn Choy. PLUMBING FIXTURES: Crane Co. COUNTERTOP: 'Formica,' Formica Co. WAINSCOT AROUND TUB: 'Ceratile,' Pacific Tile & Porcelain Co. FLOORING: Asphalt tile. COUNTER CABINET: Red birch, lacquered. BUILT-IN LIGHTING: Custom made.

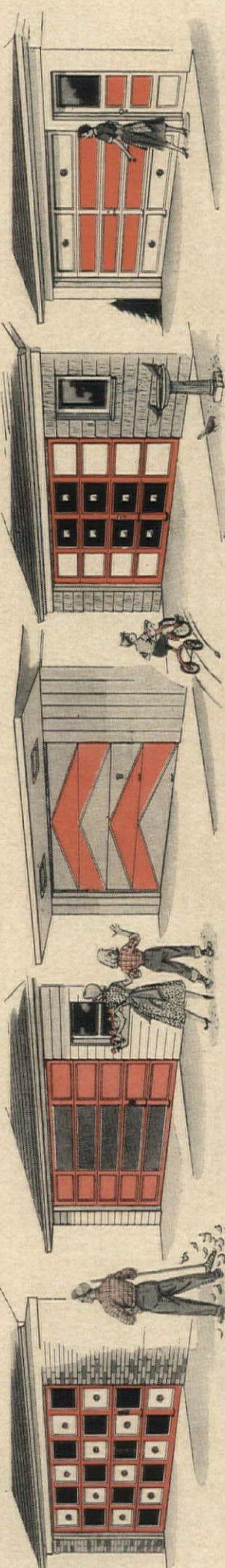
Page 99
Top row, left: Fiat Metal Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill. *Top row, right:* Kohler Co., Kohler, Wis. *Second row, left:* Eljer Co., Ford City, Pa. *Second row, right:* Lavatory, W. A. Case & Son Mfg. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.; heater, Markel Electric Products, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y.

Third row, left to right: Towel rack, Autoyre Co., Oakville, Conn. Lavatory, Kohler Co., Kohler, Wis.; fan, Fasco Industries, Rochester, N. Y. Towel bar, Gerity-Michigan, Toledo, Ohio. Plastic tile, C. F. Church Mfg. Co., Holyoke, Mass.

Fourth row, left to right: Medicine cabinet, Miami Cabinet Division, Philip Carey Mfg. Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. Structural glass, 'Carrara,' Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. Adjustable shower, Milwaukee Flush Valve Co., Milwaukee, Wis. Shower enclosure, Corrolux Division, Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Page 112
Top of page, ceiling light: NuTone, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio. Shower head, Speakman Co., Wilmington, Del. Tub enclosure, Fiat Metal Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill. Dental lavatory, Crane Co., Chicago, Ill. Shower-tub, American-Standard, Pittsburgh, Pa. Oval and round lavatories, Universal-Rundle Corp., New Castle, Pa.

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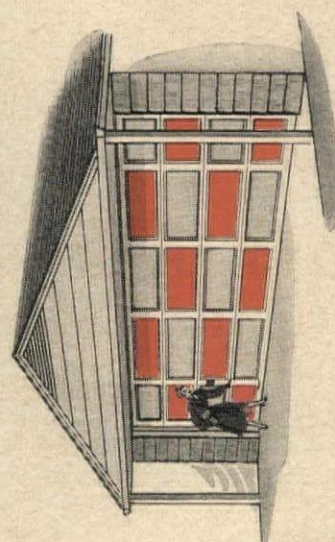
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Vacation in the kitchen

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 100-102.

Pages 101-102:

Hallmark metal cabinets, by Nellis Industries, Inc.

Wall cabinets, base drawer cabinet, mixer cabinet, vented wall cabinet, high shelf cabinet with glass doors, and wall cabinet with spin shelves, all by Geneva Modern Kitchens, Inc. Royal model refrigerator has separate freezer section, and 2 cubic feet of space for 10 lbs. of ice and 75-100 lbs. of frozen food, by Servel, Inc. Washer with a Selecta-Cycle Control button and automatic pre-determined time-table, and automatic gas clothes-dryer, by Hamilton Mfg. Co. Built-in gas cooking units, separate oven and cooking top, by Western Holly. Kitchen-aid dishwasher, by Hobart Mfg. Co.

American Provincial

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 64 and 65.

Page 64:

American Provincial splat-back settles (52½" x 17" x 33" h.) are made of cherry, by L. & J. G. Stickley Co. Contemporary coffee table (20" x 36" x 15" h.) has black wrought-iron base and frame, glass top, by Arbuck, Inc. 'Greenfield Bottles' wallpaper, 28" wide, by Schumacher (also available on fabric).

'Granette Corlon,' vinyl plastic flooring, by Armstrong Cork Co.

Gold cowhide bag, from Marion Wright, Inc.

Cordial set designed by Paul McCobb, at Directional showrooms.

Page 65, left:

Single pedestal desk has Realwood walnut Formica top (54" x 30"), partitioned file drawer fitted with Pendaflex slides, and black lacquer steel legs; by C. Luss for Lehigh Furniture Co.

Ladderback side chairs of hardwood in a mahogany finish have hand-woven fiber seats, by Tell City Chair Co.

3-speed tape recorder (17" x 15" x 10"), records for two hours on one 7" reel, with high fidelity amplifier, by Webcor.

'Old Signs' printed cotton fabric, 50" width (available through decorators), by Greeff Fabrics.

'Decorector Set' has metal poles and redwood shelves, at Bloomingdale's, N. Y. Cotton, Wunda Weve rug (taupe gray), by Belrug Mills.

Barber-pole lamp, by Donald Hansen Lamps.

Cigarette box and copper plate, at America House, N. Y.

Black mortar, and Toby jug, copper bucket from Gold Eagle Antiques.

Tortoise-shell box, Charles Hall, Inc.

Center:

Round cocktail table (38") imported marble top and brushed brass legs, from 'Sequence' group, by Wieman Co. 'Planner Group' armless daybed with foam-rubber cushions, loose foam-rubber cushion and pillow back, birch legs; designed by Paul McCobb for Custom Craft.

'Cherrywick Group' dresser and night table are solid cherry with brass hardware, by Kling Factories.

Ivory table model radio, by Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corp.

Brass column lamp with translucent linen shade, by Hansen.

Black tray with coin inset, double old-fashioned glasses, small horse decanter (on tray) and Good Design brass ice bucket, all Vincent Lippe.

Pewter ashtray, at America House.

Papier mâché box, Charles Hall Inc. Bronze cigarette box, at America House.

'Norwich' wallpaper, a 19th Century print (green and gold), by Thomas Strahan Co.

Phoenix, silk screen, by Shahn for Downtown Galleries, N. Y.

Cotton, Wunda Weve, gold carpeting, by Belrug Mills.

Right:

American traditional maple side chairs. Modern dropleaf table, 32" square

cocktail table and armless sleep-sofa from 'Today's Living' group in beech and elm in spiced elm finish; by Drexel Furniture Co.

Cotton, Wunda Weve carpeting, by Belrug Mills.

Brass coffee service, Vincent Lippe.

Augsberg china cup and saucer, at Penthouse Gallery, N. Y.

Stainless steel spoon, by Frank Smith Silver Co.

Lamp with linen shade, Hansen.

Vase, by Imperial Glass Co.

Bitter green chintz pillow (on sofa), by Nettle Creek Industries Inc.

'Watermelon On Platter' and 'Formal Fruit Piece' paintings on velvet, from Downtown Gallery.

Swedish wastebasket, at Carbone.

Page 113:

Dresser and bed with spool frame are of cherry in hand-done 'Collectors' finish, Pennsylvania House group, by Lewisburg Chair & Furniture Co.

Gray mattress and box spring, by Spring-Air Co.

'Mira' sewing machine, by Necchi Sewing Machine Sales Corp.

Mexican chair and tin mirror, from Fred Leighton, N. Y.

'Herb Design' wallpaper, black on white, 28" wide, by Louis Bowen Inc.

'Ragtime' random-textured cotton carpeting, by Karastan.

Round wooden box (on chest), from Gold Eagle Antiques.

Window curtains

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 70 and 71. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

Page 70:

'Tomorrow' embroidered and hand cut net panels are 63" x 112".

Page 71, top:

'Mount Vernon' embroidered muslin comes in demi-curtain, 44" x 72" wide; 44" x 78" and 96" length, and valance, 14" deep x 72" width.

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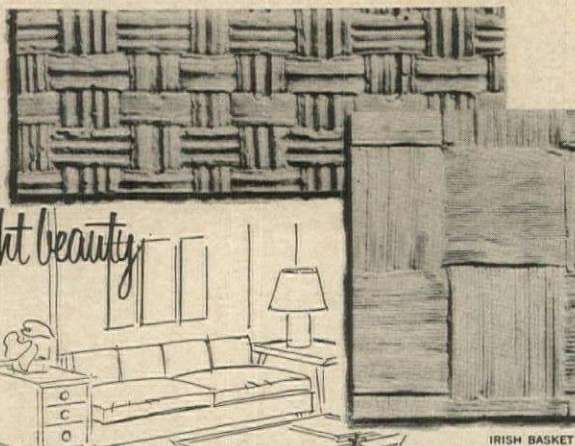
'Stencil' embroidered and handcut calico, comes in 78" and 96" lengths, both 50" width.

Bottom:

'Bluebell' tambour muslin panels are 44" x 96" long and 53" x 112" in length. The above are unfinished lengths. All curtains are available at Lord & Taylor, N. Y.

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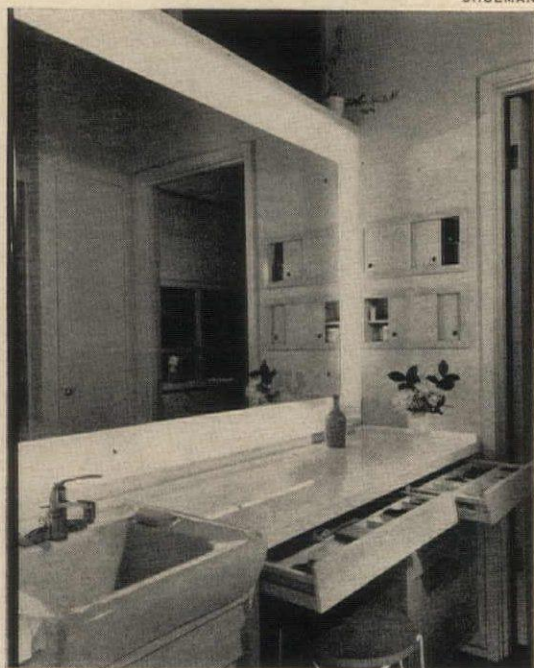
To make-up, to shave, to read the label on a bottle of medicine you obviously need the best possible light. In the past you had to cope with one meager overhead fixture. Today, bathrooms are lighted by built-in spotlights, by cornice and strip lighting over the lavatory, by bulbs built in the medicine chest. They give specific light right where you want it plus general illumination. The two bathrooms below carry these improvements still further. In one, concealed bulbs around a lavatory mirror turn it into a large lighting fixture. In the other, bulbs behind sheets of translucent plastic transform the whole ceiling into a lighting fixture. Both give a bright, even, glareless light that illuminates mirrors and room equally. This is the kind of bathroom lighting which provides good seeing and good looks in equal measure.

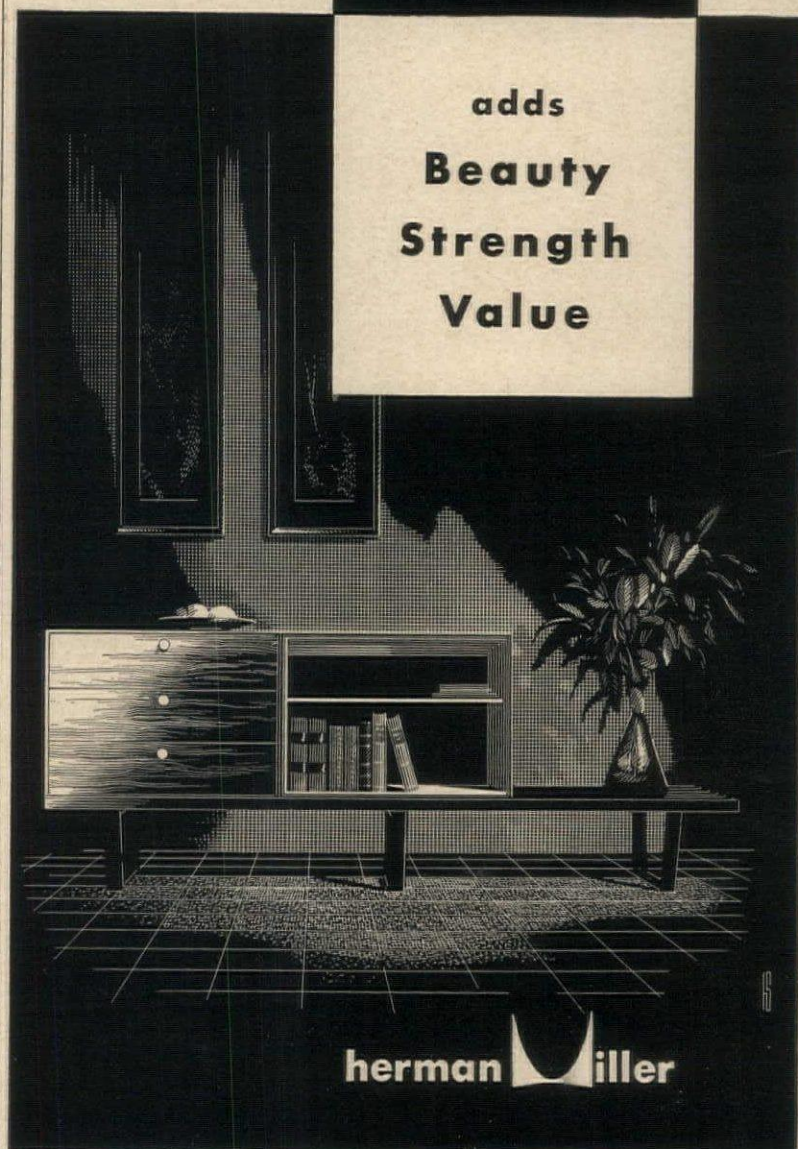
Bathroom equipment, page 109

The entire ceiling above this marble countertop lights up and becomes, in effect, a lighting fixture. Fluorescent lamp bulbs are the means of illumination but are hidden by sheets of translucent plastic. Wood trim holds up the rigid plastic which diffuses the light evenly and pleasantly in bathroom.

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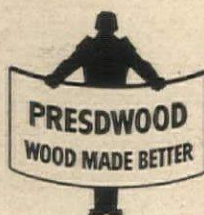
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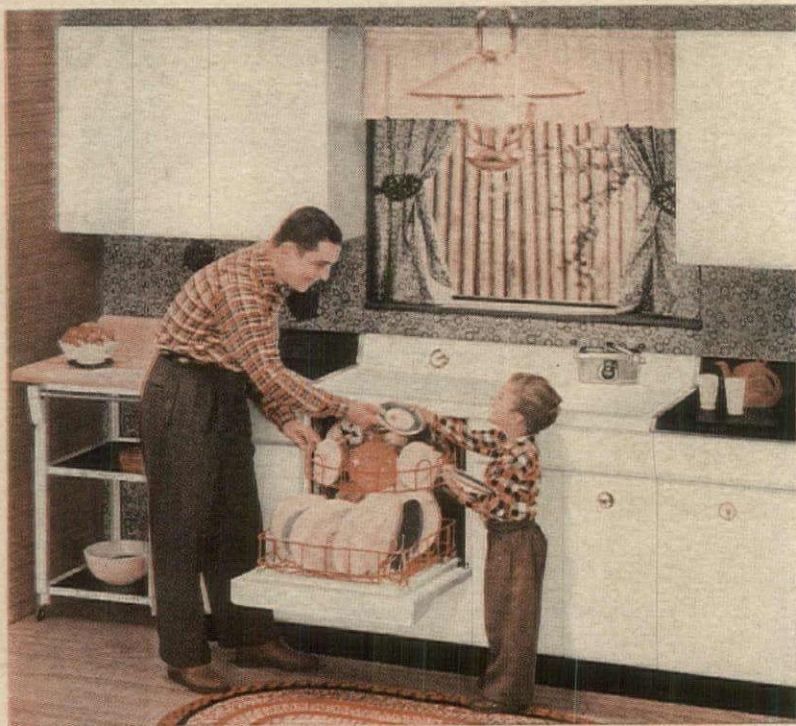
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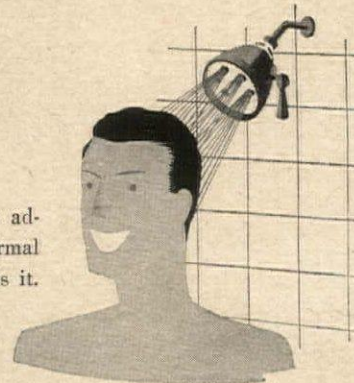
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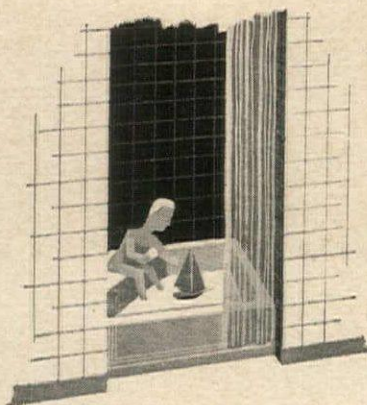
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TOM DAVENPORT

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The new American Provincial look is captured in a blend of early American furniture and modern accents. Sheer curtains, floral wall-paper, and textured carpet form a contemporary setting for a maple sewing cabinet, cherry bed and chest, a modern Mexican chair with woven seat and back, light finish. *Shopping information page 110*



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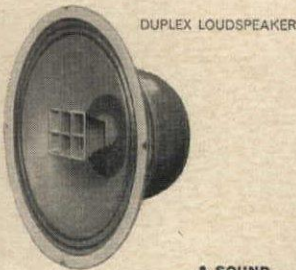
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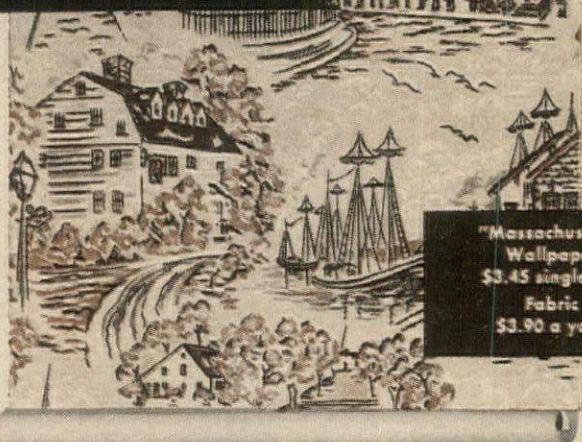


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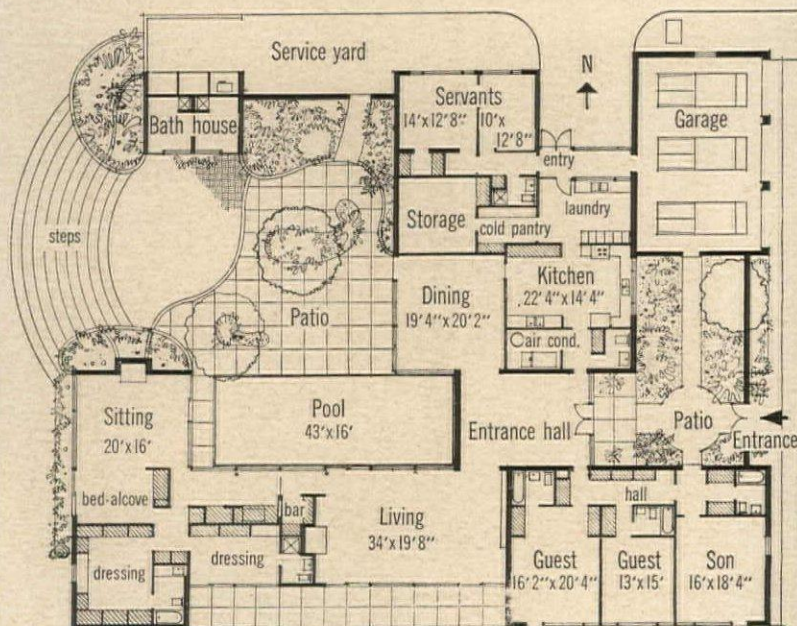
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To protect the view in all directions, the house is sparingly but discriminately furnished. A sense of coolness for a climate that in summer often exceeds 100 degrees is achieved with neutral backgrounds (pinky beige terrazzo floors, salmon pink brick or gray plaster walls throughout and light grays and blues in the furniture). Dramatic accent is left to paintings by Picasso, Chagall and Stuempfig and to luxuriant tropical planting: banana trees, paper plants, loquats, ginger lilies and elephant's ears, planned by landscape architect C. C. Fleming.

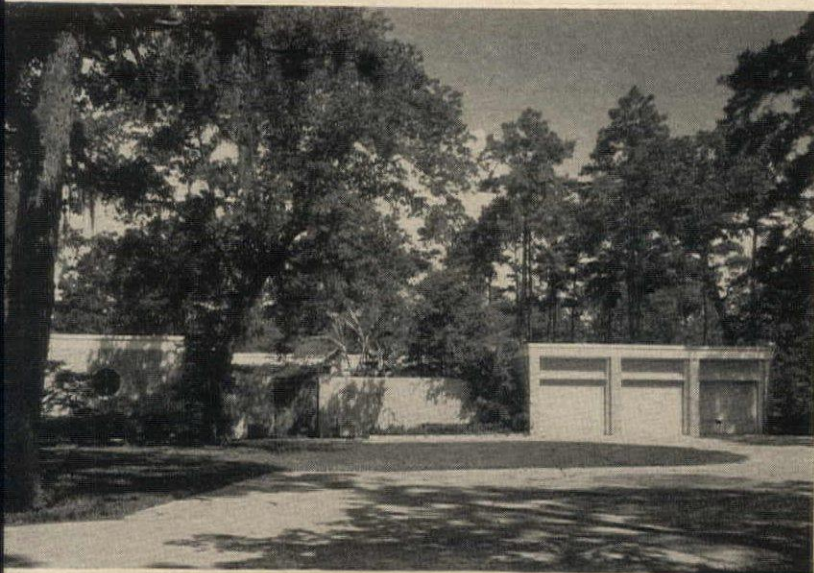
With a nice disregard for some generally accepted ideas and a firm

regard for purely personal preferences, the Neuhauses have achieved a house that exactly suits them. Instead of rigidly compartmented storage walls, they chose ample closets with a choice of what-to-put-where left to individual whim. The one exception is a built-in record player, bar and record shelves in a tiny room behind the living room chimney. Music is piped to the living room, master bedroom and poolside.

To conceal the house from the street, an entrance courtyard (or atrium) like those along the Via Nomentana, is enclosed behind a low brick wall. The front door is literally a double garden gate.



Built around front courtyard-patio and center pool-patio are front bedroom wing (note door to patio), living and dining rooms, master suite, service wing. Living and sleeping areas are linked to outdoors by wide glass walls.



Street side was planned for privacy within: passers-by see only bedroom wall (left), courtyard wall, garage. Tall old trees set off horizontal lines of house; planting areas are in patios to be enjoyed from inside the H-shaped house.



Master bed-sitting room can be divided in two by draw curtains on ceiling tracks. In the sleeping alcove are bookshelves and desk which function as a study; to the right, a door leads to two bath-dressing rooms.

TOM LEONARD



Sitting end of master bedroom has brick fireplace wall; the other two walls are glass, one facing the lawn, and the other opening to the patio. This retreat is a completely private wing at back of the house.



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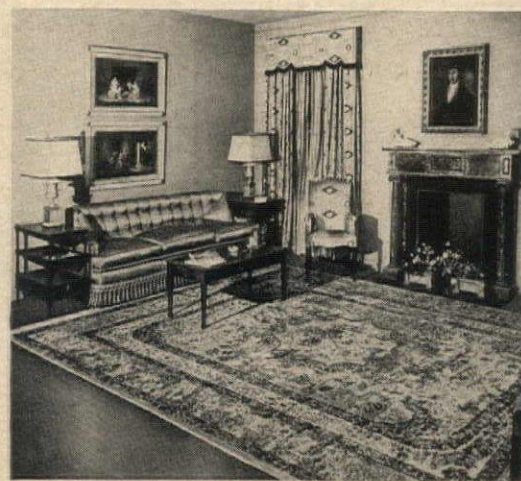
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with the art of Central America. Pan-
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tery, and brick floors waxed to the
patina of old saddle leather bear wit-
ness to this. Entering the house is like
stepping into a tranquil indoor garden.
Light pours from high clerestory win-
dows over the slender columns and
plant-circled brick floor of the central
court. Beyond, a window wall frames a
vista of pool, terrace and trees. Most of
the main rooms (living room, patio
room, master bedroom, children's bed-
rooms) have window walls protected by
six-foot roof overhangs. Louvered ja-
lousies slide across for night-time pri-
vacy. The secluded master bedroom
boasts a diminutive solarium in addi-
tion to a prospect of the outdoors. The
living room and one of the children's
bedrooms share a small walled garden
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court from which all rooms open gives
an effect of freedom and spaciousness
to an area that was limited by the
Smiths' building budget. Hard-wearing
brick, terrazzo and vinyl floors, Mexican
tile wainscots in kitchen and bathroom,
abundant storage space and automatic
equipment make for easy upkeep.

In this house, where past and pres-
ent meet on friendly terms, a family of
four lives wisely and entertains well.
Appropriately, it is built in Dallas,
which has been called 'the city with the
charm of yesterday and the spirit of to-
morrow.'

PAVILION LOOK continued from page 55

In the pool house are all of the pro-
visions for dining, cooking, dressing
and games. In addition to two large
locker rooms, there is a brick walled
recreation room with fireplace, bar,
and barbecue where lunch is served
indoors if it is too cool to sit out under
the pool-house sunshade (another day-
time screen from the sun). The exterior
decoration, as fashion-wise as a Paris
showing at Neiman-Marcus, is crisply

black and white from the striped pavil-
ions and black rattan, wire and iron fur-
niture around the pool to the white
petunias, shasta and Marguerite daisies
and gloxinia that circle the terrace.
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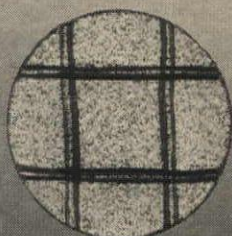
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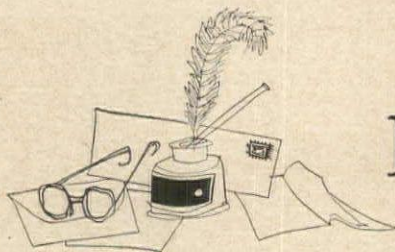
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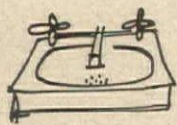
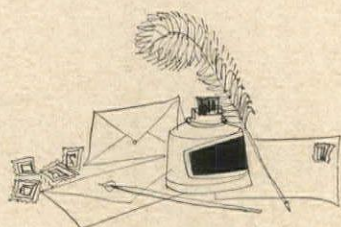
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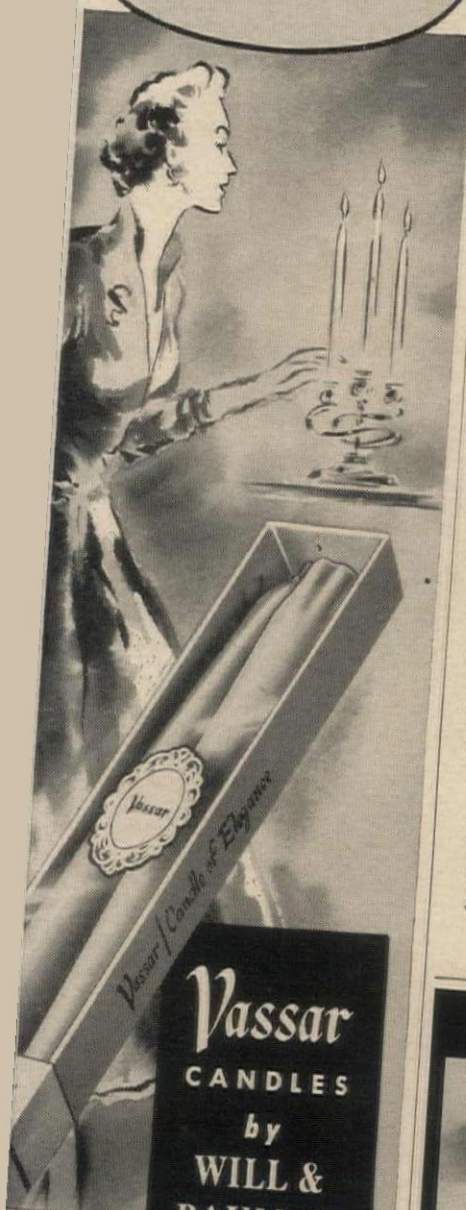
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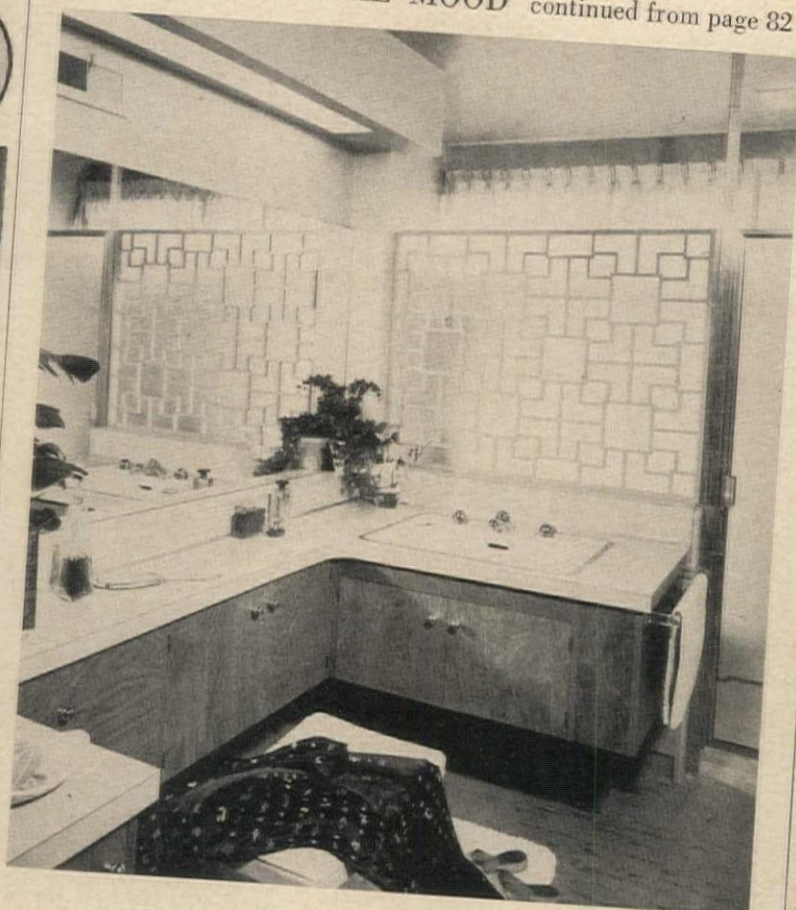
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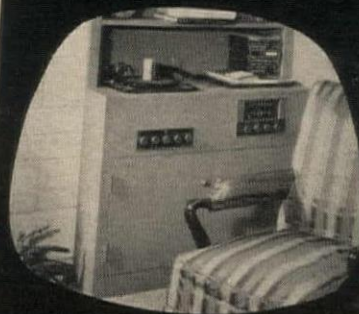
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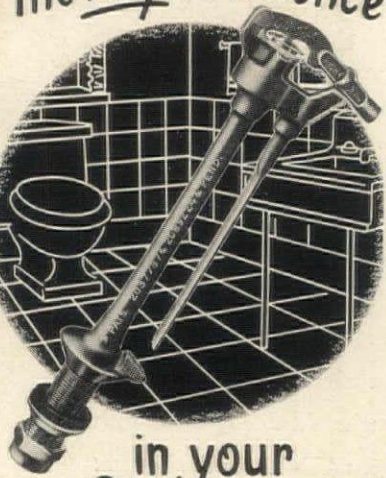
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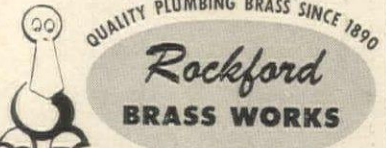
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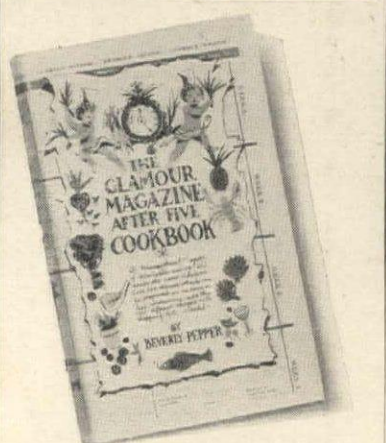
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Lexicon of soil

New ways with soil and soil conditioning are bringing new terms, new techniques into garden talk

Every scientific 'coming of age' discovers a new language. Under the fabric of words such as 'soil conditioners' is a fascinating new world of knowledge for gardeners. But to many who read the four-starred promises of 'What a soil conditioner can do for your garden,' there is honest bewilderment as to what 'a good soil conditioner' means; how it is to be applied to garden soil; how it acts upon topsoil; and does it penetrate the surface into the layer known as subsoil?

This new knowledge of soil conditioners can't be learned overnight. But what we can discover is a guide by expert soil chemists to the right way to use soil conditioners on every inch of garden land.

To bring you this new lexicon of soil, we asked Wallace A. Mitcheltree, a specialist in soils at Rutgers University, College of Agriculture, to prepare a question and answer quiz on soil conditioners. We asked him to pose the questions which have come from our readers on this vital subject, and to supply the answers:

Question: How is soil formed?

Answer: By the weathering of rock. Centuries of freezing and thawing, wetting and drying, the abrasive effect of winds and the dissolving action of weak

acids in rain water reduce the rock to smaller and smaller pieces. When it reaches the stage of soil, these particles can be divided into three size groups: sand, silt and clay. Silt particles cannot be seen with the naked eye, only with a microscope. The smallest clay particles cannot be seen even with a high-powered microscope.

Question: What is 'good' soil?

Answer: A good (that is to say productive) soil should be made up of about 50 per cent sand, silt and clay; 30 per cent air and 20 per cent water. If the sand, silt and clay particles existed in the body of the soil as individual units, the sand would form the 'skeleton,' the finer silt particles would fall in between the 'bones' and the extremely small clay particles would fill in the remaining spaces, forming a very compact mass. There would be relatively little space for air or water. And the roots of a plant need both air and water. In a productive soil, therefore, the particles form soil aggregates.

Question: What are soil aggregates?

Answer: Aggregates are clusters of particles which have developed an affinity for each other and which cling together, not closely like bricks in a wall but more like marbles in a glass

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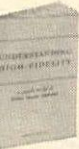
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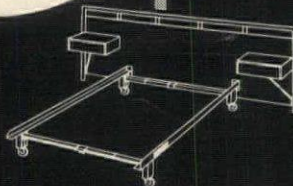
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Dining room plant window of Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds D. Brown, Jr., Blue Bell, Pa., is framed in ivy. Major plants on main shelf are African violets. In plant box, ferns, fragrant geraniums; nearby are cactus, philodendron, nephthytis, and poinsettia.



Living room plant window of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Dechert, Whitmarsh, Pa., is part of new, first floor addition. Copper-lined boxes hold peat moss to retain moisture. Slate edges tops. Plants include geraniums, begonias, jade plant, grape ivy, peperomia. A few small orchid species grow on logs.



Bathroom plant window was built in second story of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Dechert's house. Window frames a honeylocust tree and wisteria vine. Plant box is lined with metal, pebbles. Potted plants include small flowering begonia, grape ivy, with dracaena and coleus for brilliant foliage contrast.



Plant window for contemporary living room of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. G. Peck, Philadelphia, Pa., shows monstera climbing pole, left. On window shelf are angel-wing begonias, colorful caladiums, gloxinias in bloom. Amaryllis, aloe, geraniums, philodendron are among other plants.



Dining room plant window of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, Gladwyne, Pa., has terrace view. Plants are set in metal trays with pebble linings. Major collection includes varieties of begonias and gloxinias for winter bloom. In one corner, a trailing cut leaf ivy; in another, foliage of a tolmiea.

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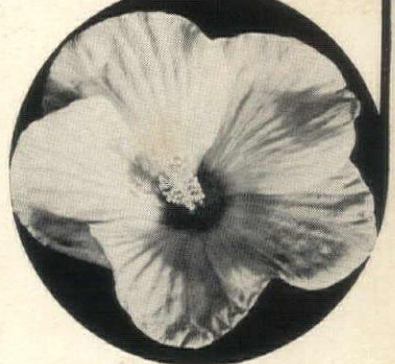
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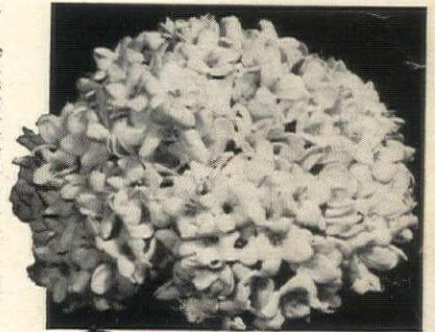
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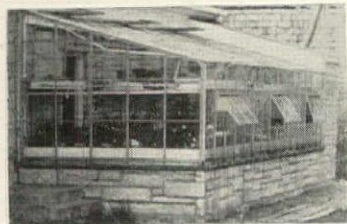


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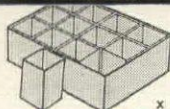


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There are several methods of harvesting herbs. Whichever one you use, pick them in the morning of a clear day just after the dew has dried. Wash them once in cold water, shake off excess moisture, and allow to dry completely on paper towels. If you wish to use the screen method of drying, you must pluck the fresh leaves from the stem and lay them out on screens or muslin-covered frames in a dry, airy, shady place. No two leaves should be allowed to touch and all must be turned daily so this method, though it produces opti-

mum results, is definitely the hard one. Simpler is to clip whole sprigs of branches, tie them in small bunches, and hang them in a warm, shady, well-ventilated place such as an old-fashioned attic (though these bunches may look picturesque strung up in the kitchen, there is apt to be too much moisture in cooking air for this procedure). After the sprigs are crumbly-dry, strip the leaves from the stems by hand.

Before placing leaves in jars, they should be somewhat pulverized so that they pack tightly (air spaces mean more rapid loss of flavor). This can be done with a mortar and pestle, by rubbing them through a coarse sieve, or by putting them through a meat or coffee grinder. This last method is good for herbs with tiny, hard-to-strip leaves as summer savory and thyme which are apt to remain attached to fine stems. The containers they are stored in should be very clean, wide-mouthed, tight-closing glass jars. They should also be small, because once opened, dried herbs progressively lose their flavor. Jars should be stored away from sunlight which fades herb color both during and after bottling. The average drying time of summer-picked herbs is a bit under a week, but dill seeds, after being separated from the dried flower heads, need an additional 10 days. With all herbs it is wise to make a humidity check in the days immediately following the bottling to make

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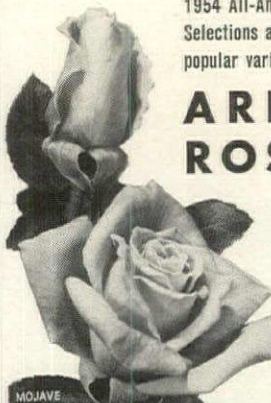
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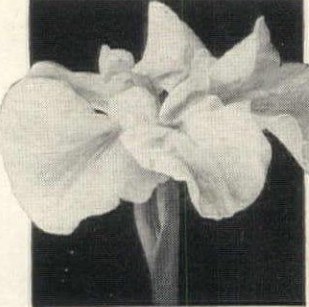
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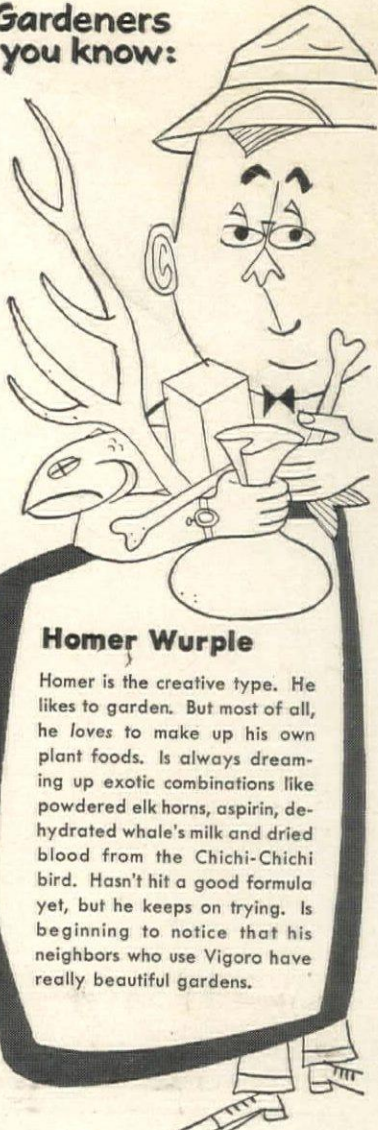
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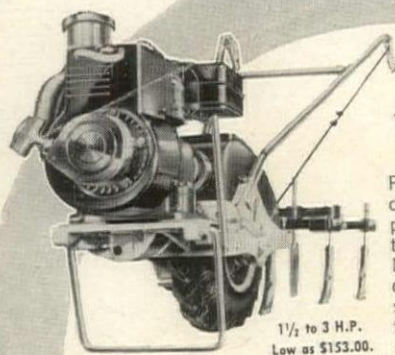
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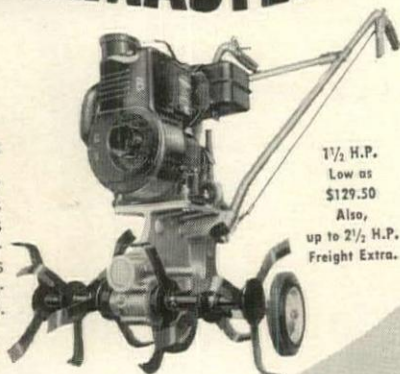
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some 30 workers, 3,000-gallon tanks for vinegar, and a 75-gallon cauldron which can handle 10 batches of barbecue sauce in a morning. In a specially ventilated room, 1,000 pounds of herbs dry every eight hours. Vats are filled with concentrated herb blends. New products in the try-out stage are tested by drastic changes in temperature. Between clicking conveyor belts and dollies piled with cartons, Mrs. Winter proudly displays her domain, followed by her cat Pushkin. Throughout the tour, savory smells fill the visitor with hunger pangs.

There is an experimental kitchen where rival products are assayed and new ideas are born, such as a non-fattening dressing called Sylph, a dehydrated onion soup which capsules hours of cooking, and a simple French salad dressing which has been generally acclaimed as the only one that truly tastes home-made.

Green and elm-shaded, the House of Herbs garden amply proves Mrs. Winter's contention that these useful plants make the prettiest of borders. Lining the herringbone brick path to the front door, woodruff stretches out its neat little palmate leaves, contrasting with deep blue-green rue, lacy tansy, curly mint. To one side stands the herb garden proper designed by landscape architect Edward Lawson. Italian in inspiration but American in its practical dimensions, it is planted to emphasize the different colors, heights, and characteristics of 102 different specimens. They range from ground height creeping thyme to a 20-foot star anise. Visitors are encouraged to pluck and sniff before examining the dried products indoors.

Needless to say, Mrs. Winter is herself an avid herb-user. One of her typical appetizers is miniature baking powder biscuits to which she adds extra butter, fresh-ground pepper, and a little crumbled rosemary. When brown and still hot, she splits them and inserts a dot of butter and a sprinkling of poppyseed. She also makes an unforgettable after-dinner coffee, brewing it very strong, with powdered cinnamon added to the ground coffee in the percolator, and one cardamon seed and a dash of brandy added to each cup. Ripe melon she sprinkles with a little crushed pineapple sage. In white Chilean Riesling she floats a leaf of woodruff, in vodka a sprig of southernwood. Scotch-on-the-rocks is improved by lemon peel and two cardamon seeds slightly crushed.

—ROSAMUND FROST

If you are interested in recipes with herbs write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

Correction

The music storage wall shown on the bottom right of page 133 in the December House & Garden is in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Moses, Jr.

The designer of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anson C. Lowitz shown on pages 148 and 149 of the December issue was Mr. Daniel M. C. Hopping.



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of water, leaving various-sized pore spaces in between, where air and water can collect. When water falls on soil, it must first enter and then trickle down through. This is called infiltration. In a completely dry soil the pore spaces are entirely filled with air, and before the water can enter, the air must escape. In a saturated soil the pore spaces are completely filled with water which moves down through because of the pull of gravity. As the water drains out, and the surface supply is used up, the pores begin to empty. Air is pulled in to fill the void. Part of the water (a film around each particle) is held with sufficient force by the soil to counteract gravitational pull. The soil now contains approximately 50 per cent aggregated soil particles, 20 per cent water on their surfaces, and 30 per cent air in the middle of the pore spaces. This gives plant roots an ample supply of air and water. (They refuse to grow in a soil that is completely dry or filled with water.)

Question: What is organic matter?

Answer: There are two distinct types of organic matter. One, from lush cover crop residues and manures, decomposes readily. The other, including such things as peat moss, sawdust and woodchips, does not. Both are natural (i.e. not synthetic) products.

Question: What is the function of organic matter in soil conditioning?

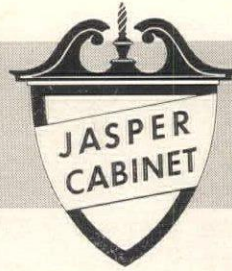
Answer: Organic matter serves in this respect chiefly as a binder to hold aggregates together. The affinity that pulls soil particles together is weak, and only a slight pressure is needed to separate them into sand, silt and clay fractions. The readily decomposable type of organic matter decays rapidly, releases nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, calcium and trace elements. The end product of its decomposition is humic acid—a brownish, sticky, gelatinous material which coats and stabilizes soil aggregates. It is a natural binder which exists only in the topsoil. Subsoil does not need to be stabilized by the organic binder, for it is seldom exposed to dashing rains or to heavy traffic during tillage and harvesting. Topsoil acts as a protective blanket over the subsoil. The resistant type of organic matter forms very little humic acid but it provides long-term organic pieces which remain in the topsoil, forming artificial aggregates around which air and water can move.

Question: Is the composition of all natural soils the same?

Answer: No. Parent material, drainage conditions and climatic factors differ in different regions. But in time each combination creates its own equilibrium or balances. In some types of soil the organic matter content may have leveled out at around 6 per cent; in others, only 2 per cent or lower.

Question: How much organic matter is needed to maintain good garden soil?

Answer: You can supply a normal addition.
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tion of organic matter by spading down a cover crop, a good sod, or an application of manure or compost at the rate of ½ ton per 1,000 square feet of area.

Question: How can complete soil structure be improved?

Answer: In small-scale gardening, resistant types of organic matter or a chemical conditioner can be worked into the topsoil to create an improved but artificial type of structure. But sometimes the structure of the subsoil must also be improved to permit free drainage of water. In soil extremely difficult to work, improvement can often be effected by using a dressing of gypsum powder at the rate of 1 pound per square yard. The material dissolves, moves down through the soil, causing the clay to develop a stronger aggregate. Gypsum has been known to improve soil to a depth of 4 or 5 feet.

Question: How can chemical conditioners penetrate the soil?

Answer: By being mixed with the prepared soil to the desired depth by tillage. The soil is then thoroughly soaked, with the result that the granules into which the soil has been broken by tillage become stable pieces. Next, when the soil is worked again, it breaks up into these chemically formed chunks. Result: the soil conditioner forms an artificial aggregation that is resistant to being broken down. Such conditioners should be worked in to the desired depth for they do not by themselves move down to any great degree.

Question: Are chemical soil conditioners costly for small gardens?

Answer: Yes, though efforts are being made to reduce the cost. But if your soil crusts badly, yet is otherwise in fairly good condition, a chemical synthetic will improve it. It will pay you to place a light application of the chemical in a band 2 or 3 inches wide over the top of the row after the seeds have been planted and covered.

Question: Will natural organic matter such as compost and cover crops bring the same results?

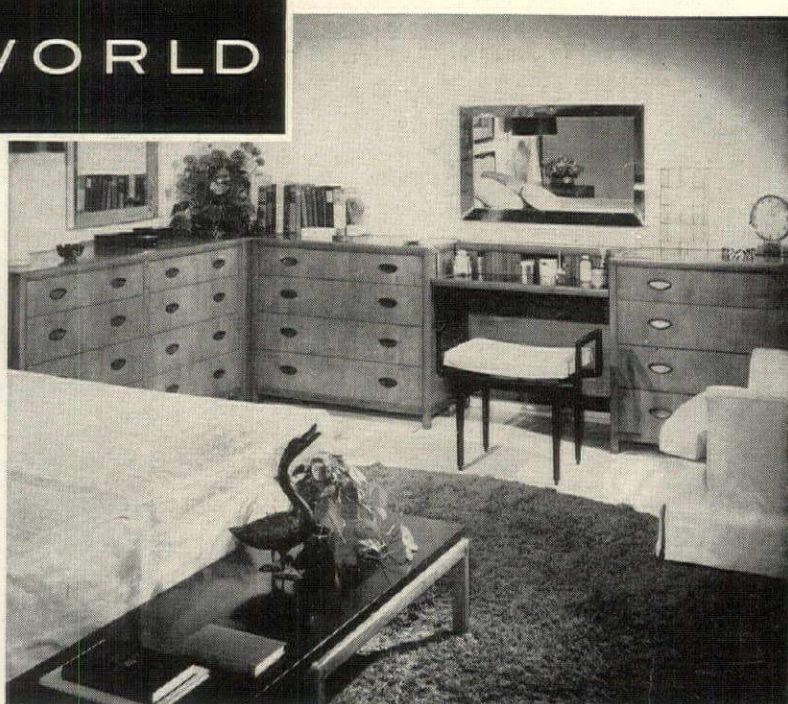
Answer: In general, yes. But the full story on soil conditioners has not been developed. As it looks now, chemical soil conditioners stand a good chance to show results on fundamentally good soils, especially those that are temporarily unproductive due to inefficient management. It is on such soils that the use of readily decomposable organic matter also shows greatest benefits. If your soil is inherently poor, chemical conditioners can improve the structure. Resistant types of organic matter will also give improvement, while gypsum should be used to improve depth.

Question: What have soil conditioners done for soil management?

Answer: Chemical soil conditioners for small or large gardens have done more to arouse interest in the physical properties of soil than we could have done through normal teaching methods in a quarter of a century.



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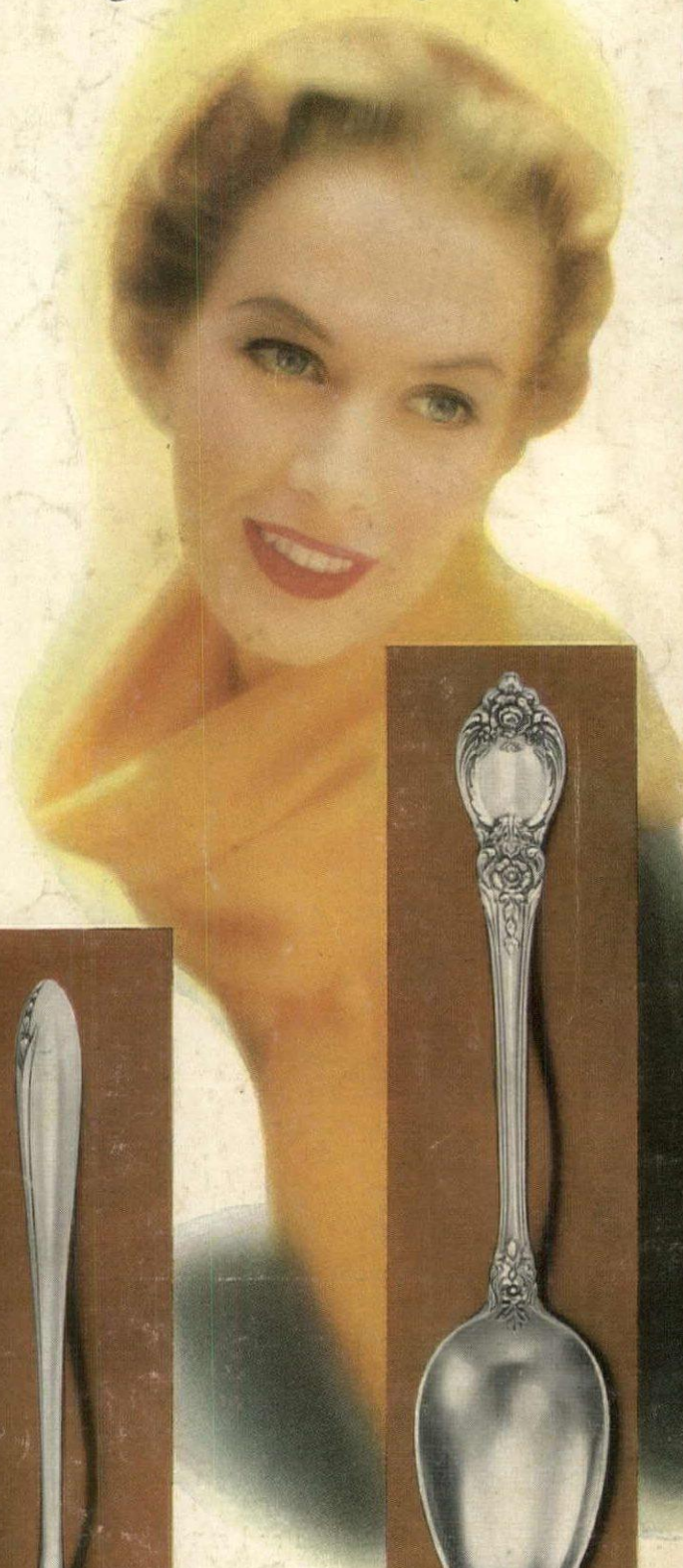
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