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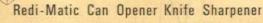


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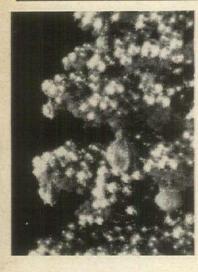
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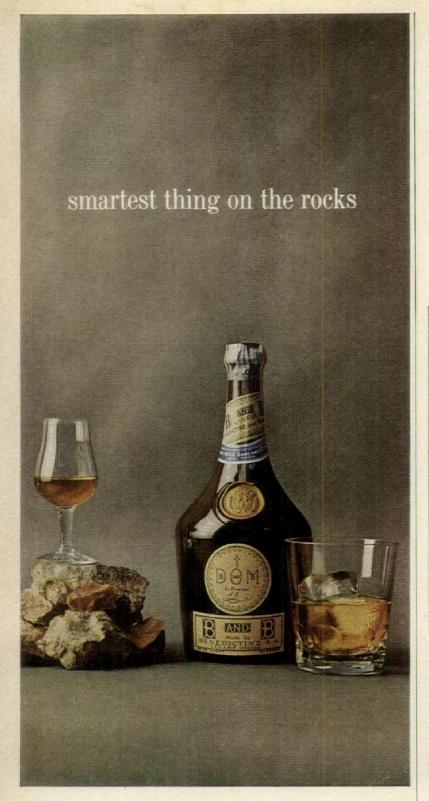
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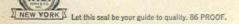


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By Thomas H. Ormsbee



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N. J. DeM .- Portsmouth, Va.

Your pitcher was made about 1880-90 at the pottery of Edwin Bennett, Baltimore, Md.—in business from 1850-1900.

Branded on the seat of our rocker is J. C. Hubbard, Boston. The parts of the chair are numbered in Roman numerals. Any information would be appreciated.

N. M. T .- Perkasie, Pa.

Hubbard, a Boston chair maker, had Roman numerals marked on the parts to guide the workmen in assembling the chairs. Your rocker dates between 1825

Could you tell me approximately when these marble-based candelabras were made? The prisms are very heavy.

H. E. P .- Seattle, Wash.

Your mantel garniture of one triple and two single candlesticks are English Victorian, manufactured around 1850-65.

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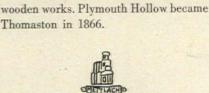


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The dinner plate shown in the two photographs has been in the possession of my family for years. Can you give me the history and J. C. R. Sr.-Greenwood, S. C. origin of it?

The mark indicates your plate was made by Edge, Malkin & Co., Burslem, Staffordshire, England about 1880, when oriental decoration was very popular. Chang was the pattern name.





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R. D.—Brunswick, Ga.

How old do you think it is?

Scenes from "Lohengrin" decorate this 33inch stein. Do you recognize the mark? W. L. W .- Forth Worth, Tex.

Villeroy & Boch, Mettlach, Germany, made this ornamental pottery stein between 1890 and 1914.



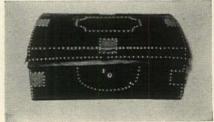
GERMAN STEIN



AMERICAN CRADLE

We are restoring this cradle and want to know if it ever had a canopy. It used to have a foot pedal to rock it with, but this unfortunately was discarded. R. R.-Camillus, N. Y.

We doubt that American Victorian cradles like yours ever had canopies. They date about 1865-1875; some of them did have iron rocking pedals.



AMERICAN LEATHER-COVERED TRUNK

My black leather-covered trunk has a dome top and is lined with thin light blue paper. It measures 24" long, 13" deep and 10" high. Any information will be appreciated. D. M. T .- Schenectady, N. Y.

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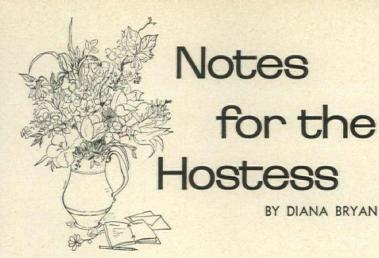


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Young Diana loves a homefor-the-holidays breakfast smoked salmon with a side dish of eggs scrambled with basil and topped off with brioches. We all like breakfast shrimp, a Charleston importation: you cook the shrimp in bacon fat with chopped onions and peppers seasoned with catsup and Worcestershire sauce. thickened with flour. This calls for a side dish of hominy. Sometimes I make a cheese-and-tomato casserole that everyone seems to love, and if I'm feeling especially hospitable, I may even serve creamed finnan haddie. It's funny how the most insistent "Nothing-but-blackcoffee-for-breakfast-please" guests always turn out to eat more than anybody else when you offer them a really interesting breakfast!

Went to cocktails in town recently at the home of friends who have what city dwellers prize highly: an apartment with a fireplace. We took them a decorative box of scrub pine cones to use as aromatic kindling. They were so delighted, Don and I decided to give them some nice country logs for Christmas. In fact, something for the fireplace is a fine gift for any hostess with a hearth. It could be a brass pot to hold kindling scraps, or a box of long fireplace matches, or-especially if there are children in the house-those chemically treated crystals that make flames burn pretty colors.

All of us rely most often on the time-honored buffet party, I suppose, but there is nothing, for my money, to compare with the small formal dinner. To me, it's the ultimate in entertaining. We set out our most cherished appointments, provide our most elegant cuisine, and—dressed in our best bib and tucker—do honor to our most favored friends. In this ambiance, we all seem to rise to the occasion and even the conversation seems more sparkling. I still feel a glow from Denise Bradbury's dinner the other night. She produced a triumphant evening for twelve of us.

First of all, the table was a masterpiece. Denise used her magnificent Flora Danica Royal Copenhagen porcelain, hand-painted with the wild flowers of Denmark. The plates have gold, pierced edges, and each has a different flower in the center.



Patrician dinner plate

Since a floral centerpiece would have been redundant with this china, Denise ingeniously worked out a perfect alternative. She had her florist make a short rope of smilax, which she sprayed with gold paint and laid in an oval on the center of the table. In the middle of this, she set another wreath of pachysandra and lemon leaves, also gilded. Instead of silver candelabra, Denise wisely used low crystal candlesticks.

The meal was superb, from the coquilles St. Jacques, through the rack of lamb, on to the Benedictine soufflé. Then, in the living room, we were all served mocha or Mexican coffee (coffee mixed with chocolate). For the mocha, Denise used her demitasses by Richard Ginori—little Empirestyle cups decorated with gold, carnelian and blue—and for the Mexican coffee, matching high-handled chocolate cups.

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Lack of humidity or why we crack up

If, like the happy couple above, we were all camels, the lack of humidity would be no problem. But we are not, and being possessed of human respiratory systems, most of us spend our winters struggling with colds brought on by living in hothouses filled with warm, moistureless air. If you wonder what this excessive dryness does to us, notice the condition of our pets, plants, paintings, antique furniture veneers and book bindings. But today, none of this is necessary. We have the humidifier, a little machine, usually portable, that—when fed the necessary electricity and a few gallons of water a day—will release a cool mist and produce the 35-45 per cent of humidity that spells well-being for humans, quadrupeds and Old Masters. Here are some likely models. (In new houses with forced warm-air heating, incidentally, humidifiers can be installed as an integral part of the system.)

Table model, small and circular

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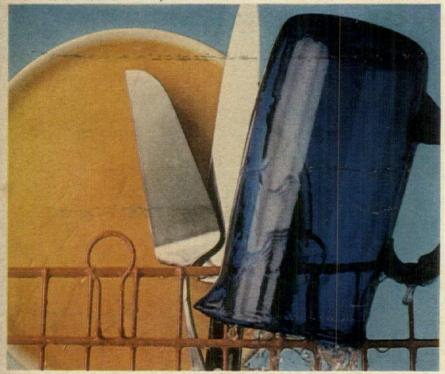
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Cabinet model with wood-grain finish



The Mark IV humidifier is about the size of a TV (22 by 151/2 by 15 inches) and rolls easily from room to room on a castered stand. Entirely rustproof and quiet, it is equipped with an automatic humidistat (a gauge that measures moisture) and a water-level indicator. Capacity: 5 gallons. By National Presto Industries. \$69.95. Stand: \$7.95.

Console model, small but powerful

The Fresh'nd-Aire humidifier is small (23 by 24 by 12 inches) but a powerhouse potent enough, probably, to humidify five or six rooms. A roll-about, it is made of steel with a beige baked-enamel finish, turns on and off automatically, has a humidistat that can be pre-set to keep air's humidity constant. By Cory Corporation. \$79.95.



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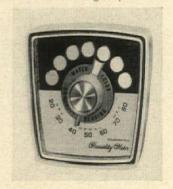


The humidistat, a gauge for moisture

Humidistats act like thermometers, but record moisture rather than temperature. Some can be connected with the humidifier and, like a thermostat, will turn machine on or off to maintain degree you wish.



Automatic humidistat is mounted on wall, plugged into humidifier, set for degree of moisture desired. By Walton. \$16.95.



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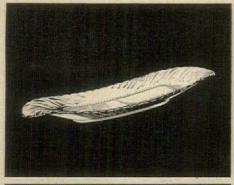
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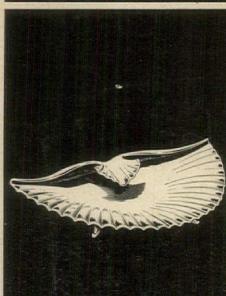
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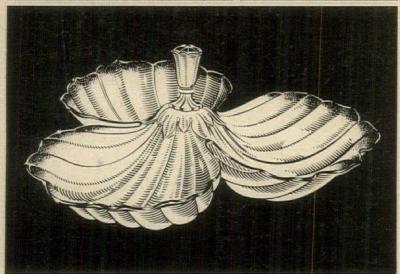


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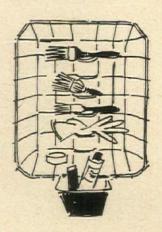
The notes of a happy housekeeper

BY MARY ELIZABETH FALTER

The first snow has arrived, and the town is bright with holiday lights in the early dusk. Large signs in the post office advise us to mail early and address clearly, and everyone seems to be hurrying just a little bit more than usual.

At our house, Christmas has been in the air for some time. Or at least it's been in the big brown box in the corner of the kitchen that holds the pine cones, bits of moss, acorns, nuts and dried pods the children have been collecting during the summer and fall. All our extra moments are spent around the kitchen table, carefully shellacking every little piece. The prettiest ones are gilded and fastened to a short piece of flexible florist's wire. Next will come tiny lady apples and tangerines, and wired loops of cranberries. By the weekend we'll arrive at the best part-making an evergreen wreath on a Styrofoam base and attaching all the fruit and dried things in a Della Robbia decoration. The wreath will hang over the fireplace in the living room and we'll admire it every one of the twelve days of Christmas.

My neighbor Pat dropped in the other day when we were working on the wreath, and after she'd been properly enthusiastic, she gave us a wonderful idea for storing the paintbrushes. They are difficult as they're apt to stick to a flat surface like a shelf or drawer, and if they're jumbled together, the bristles get out of shape. Pat has solved the problem by hang-



ing a discarded dish drainer on the cellar wall and "filing" her brushes in the dish slots. This keeps them neat and orderly, and completely protected because nothing touches them.

An accidental but highly effective discovery: stainless steel can be wiped clean with a cloth saturated with club soda. It will remove smears and finger marks immediately. Good for sinks and countertops, and for serving dishes or flatware that have stubborn streaks.

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Speaking of silver, old torn wool socks are excellent for putting the final burnishing on silver or other metals after they have been cleaned. An old wool sock on each hand speeds up this final polishing. We use ours over and over, washing them in between.

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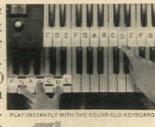
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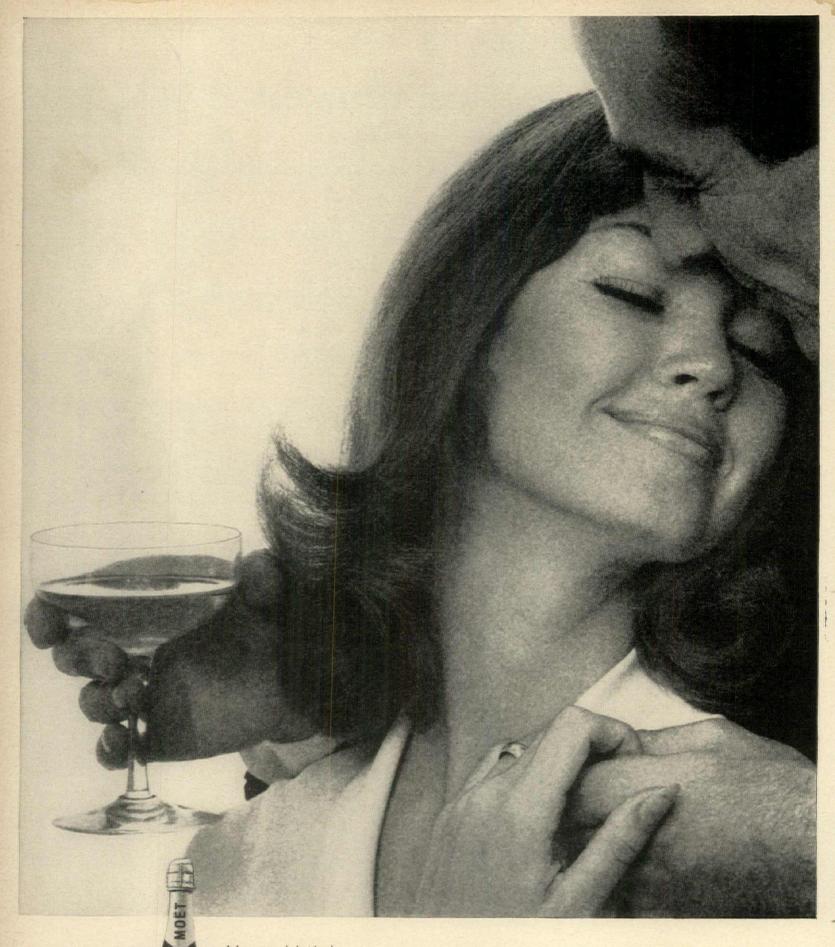
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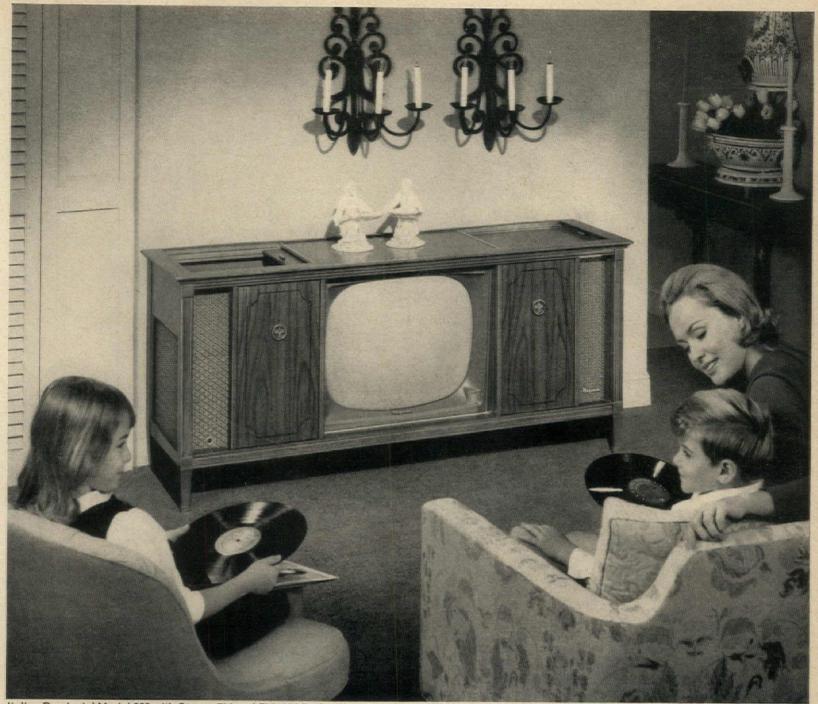
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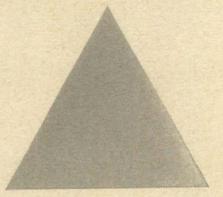
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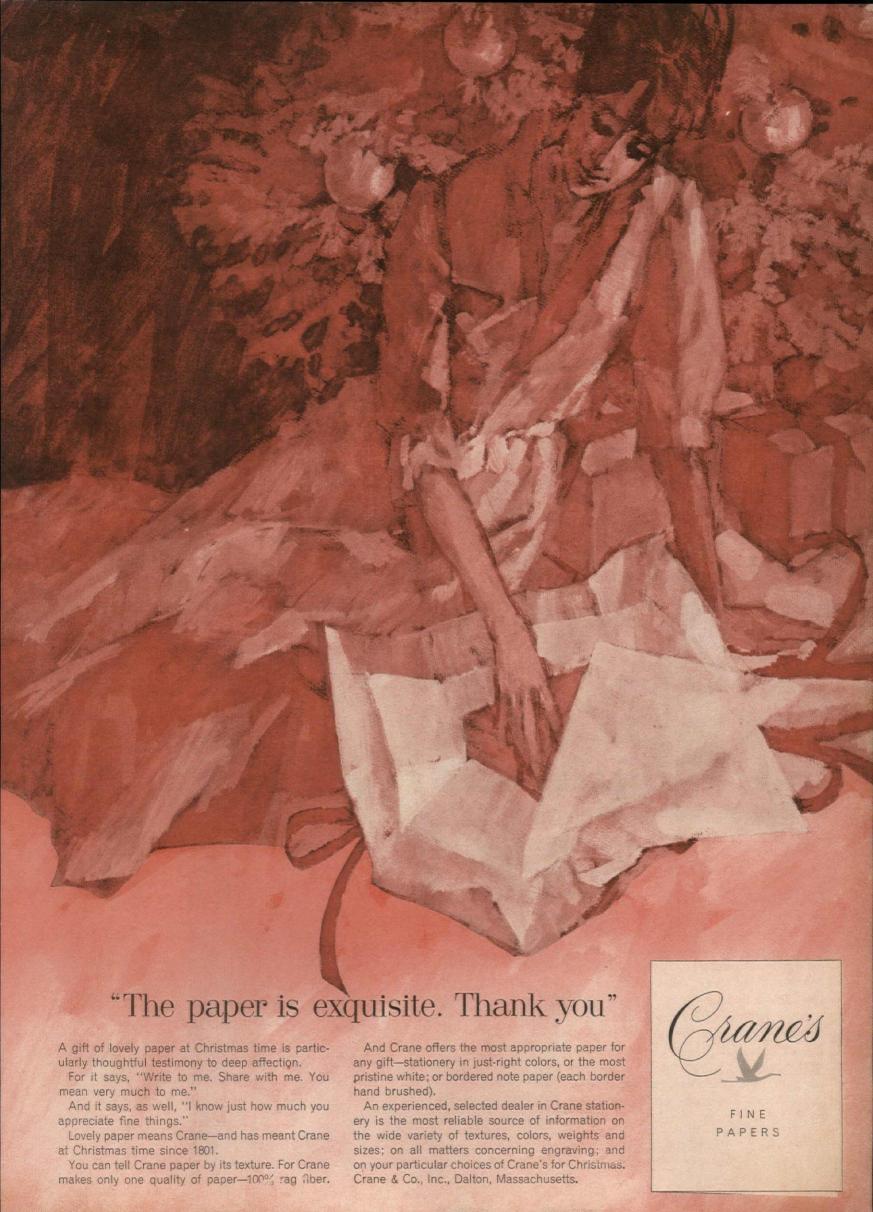
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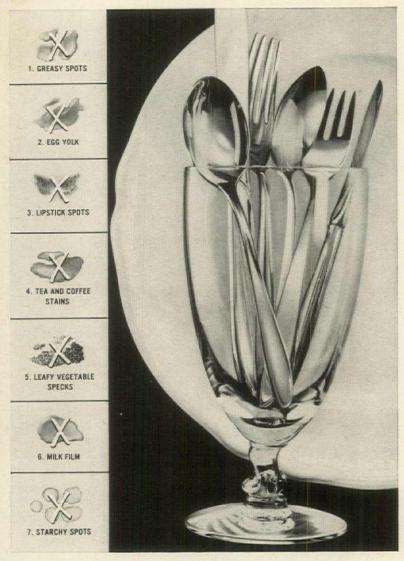
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By Doone Beal

EDITOR'S NOTE: On her way home to London from South America (see November H&G) Doone Beal stopped off in Bermuda, reports here her recent findings on that semi-tropical British island.

If any one place in the world truly embodies the word Transatlantic, it must surely be the scorpion-shaped island of Bermuda, lying one-third across the ocean from the East Coast of the United States.

To English visitors, Bermuda has an American flavor. Prices are quoted in U.S. dollars as well as pounds, hamburger shops abound, and you order eggs for breakfast shirred, not scrambled. Yet to Americans, Bermuda is an almost theatrical representation of England, more English than the English, with tea shops full of copper kettles, china shops full of Royal Worcester and Spode, and practically every shop full of cashmeres. The fact that it was actually discovered by a Spaniard, Juan de Bermudez, seems irrelevant. It has no Spanish panache, but instead some of the innocence of Connecticut, and some of the coziness of Devon.

Bermuda's habits and way of life belong to a distinctly gracious age of immaculate sports clothes and dinner jackets, of housemaids, butlers and valets in abundance, of long, well-iced drinks and accustomed space and leisure. There is a 15-mile-an-hour speed limit in the towns, and transport by horse-drawn surrey complete with fringe on top is still a commonplace sight. Many people, including most visitors, use bicycles to get about, since a permit to drive a car takes thirty days to obtain. Bermuda is a rich, well-heeled community, but the government restriction of one car per family keeps traffic to a bare minimum. Yachts are almost as common, therefore, as cars, and the way of life is as nearly amphibious as any in the world, for no point on the island is more than two miles from the ocean.

From the air, the complex of islands, linked by causeways and bridges, is dazzling with its pink and white coral beaches and traditional white ridged roofs atop every candy-colored mansion and cottage.

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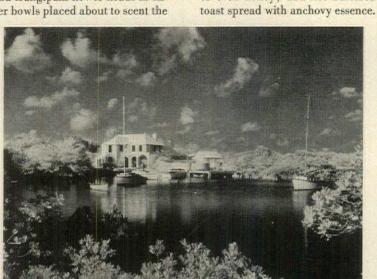
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distance north of the West Indies, you see around its coastline the same jade shallows, striped with the dark blue of the deep, lanced by the tall triangles of sails skimming the water. The countryside, too, has some typically West Indian features-feathery casuarina trees, palms, poinsettias, hibiscus and bougainvillaea. Practically every flower and shrub known to man can be persuaded to bloom there. But Bermuda's climatemild and windy in winter, hot but still breezy in summer-has always a salty ozone freshness which appeals to many who dislike the full tropical treatment. Its deepsea fishing and its golf (five courses, including the historic Mid Ocean, where Churchill and Eisenhower met in 1942) are second to none.

Cottage colonies are cozier

Bermuda has some classically luxurious resort hotels (Castle Harbour, Bermudiana, Harmony Hall and Elbow Beach), complete with every conceivable amenity including a Social Activity desk. But to me the whole pleasure of the island is to lead a more indigenous life in one of the relaxed and charming cottage colonies,

which I believe Bermuda was the original exponent. One of the most attractive is Cambridge Beaches at Somerset, on the lobster-tail of the island. The main house, built in 1675, is one of the oldest on the island. There is something beguiling about the polished wood and open fireplaces in this subtropical setting, with bougainvillaea framing open doorways and frangipani flower heads in silver bowls placed about to scent the



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room. Here, too, a feature is made of an English custom which in England is almost dying out: afternoon tea, to which guests help themselves in the drawing room. Traditional ingredients are freshly made scones, still warm from the oven, split and buttered; very thin sandwiches made from white bread, with a filling of shirred lettuce, creamed cheese and walnut, or even honey; and hot buttered

An added grace is a Georgian silver teapot. But you will, alas, pay top prices for one like it in the Bermuda shops of today.

Another charming old house which takes guests is Pomander Gate, close by Hamilton harbor. Its interiors embody some of the most attractive aspects of tradiditional Bermuda: the walls of each room are distempered in a solid color-celadon green, pale blue, pale sulphur yellow or terra cotta-but all the paint work, the ceilings, the curtains and louvers are white. Hurricane lamps have been wired to wall brackets with candles in them, and they are also used, mounted on brass bases, for table lighting. With the profusion of lilies, hibiscus and wild orchids so easily available, it would be hard not to achieve something fairly spectacular in the way of flower arrangements, but at Pomander Gate, I particularly liked their way of using a single flower head in a tall stemmed glass beside each place setting on the dining table at dinner.

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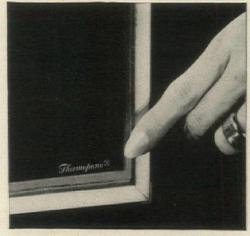
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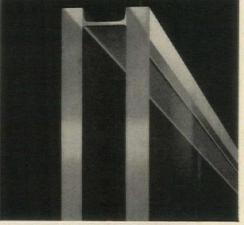
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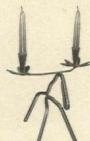


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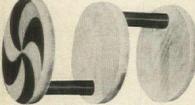
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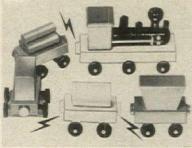
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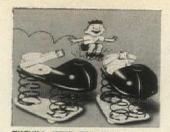
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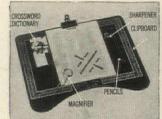
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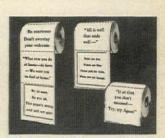


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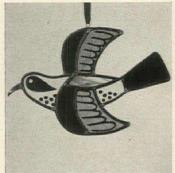
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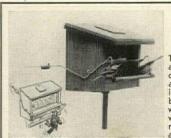
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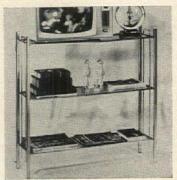
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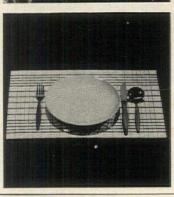
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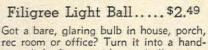
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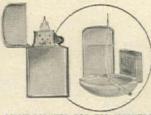
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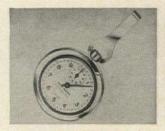
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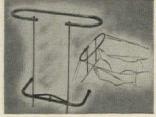
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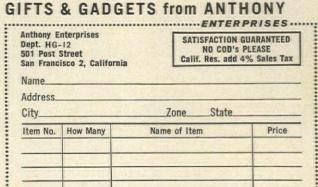
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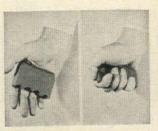
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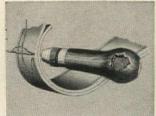


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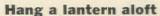
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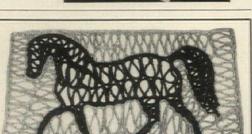
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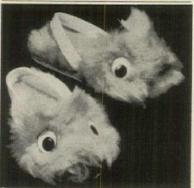


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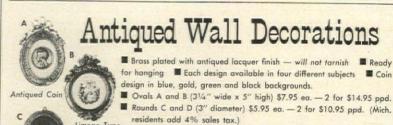
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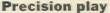


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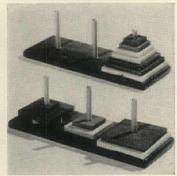
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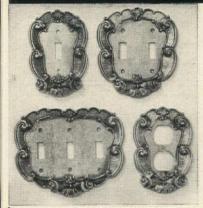


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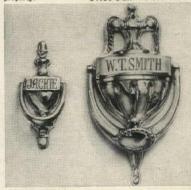
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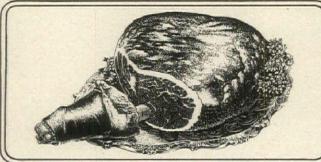
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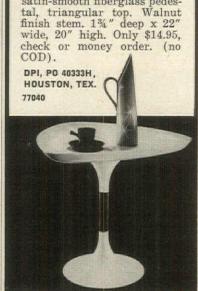


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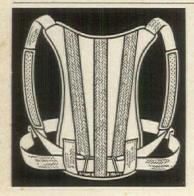
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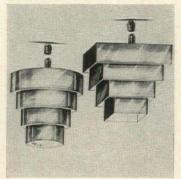
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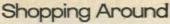
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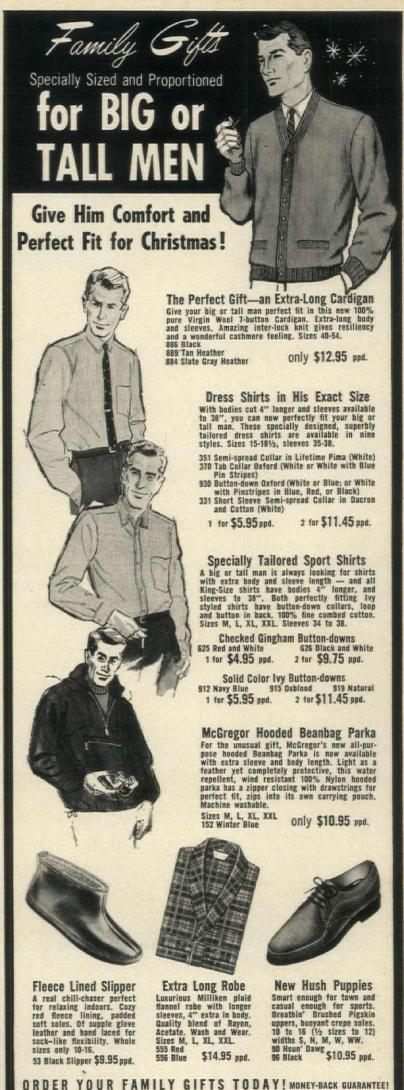
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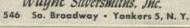




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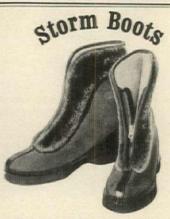
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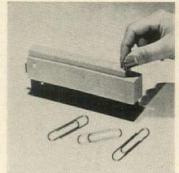
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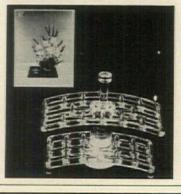
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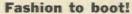
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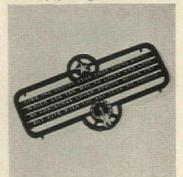
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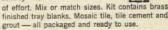
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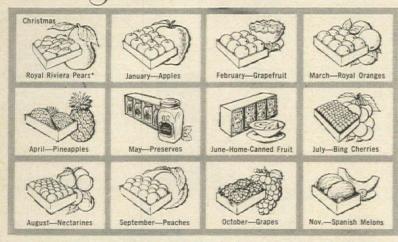
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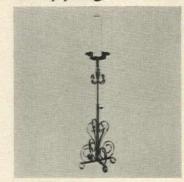
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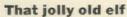
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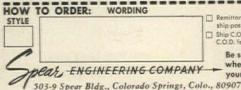


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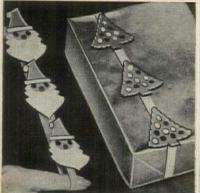
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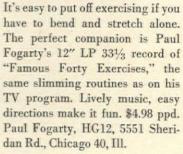


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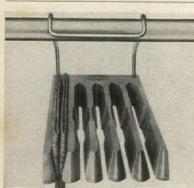


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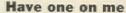
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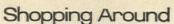
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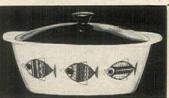


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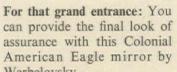
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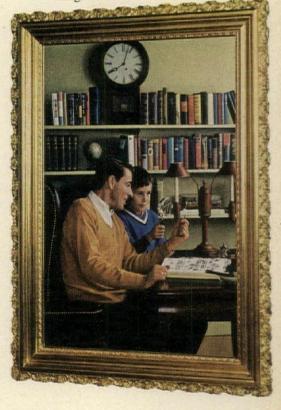
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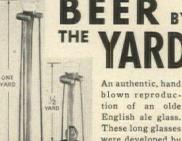
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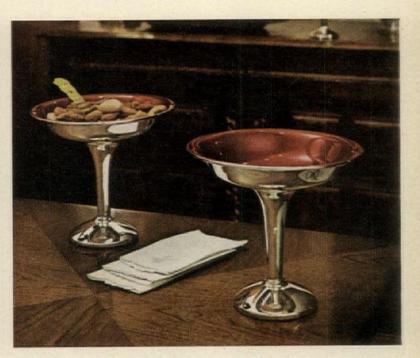
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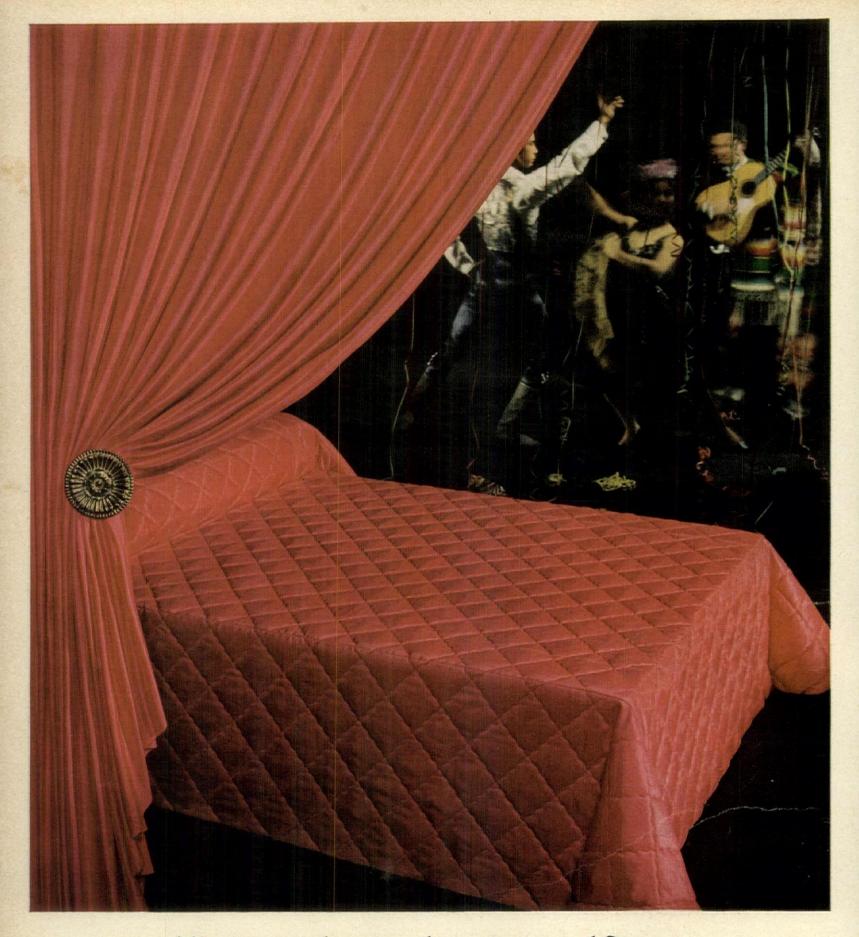
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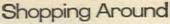
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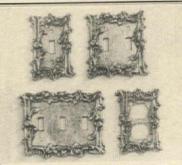
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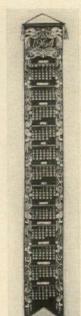
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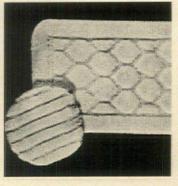
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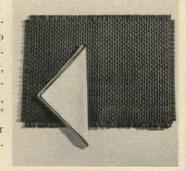
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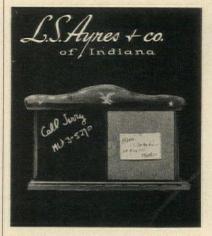
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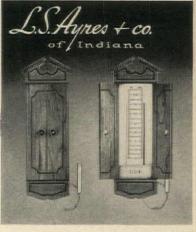
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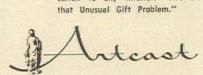
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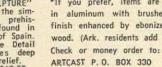
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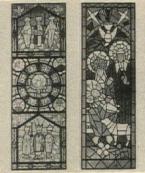
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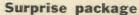
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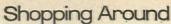
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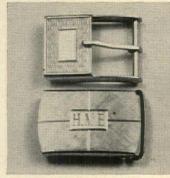


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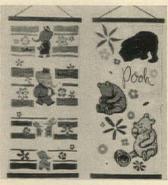
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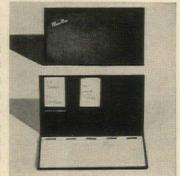














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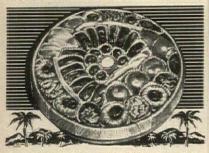


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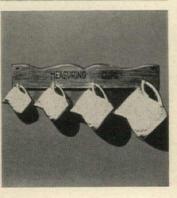
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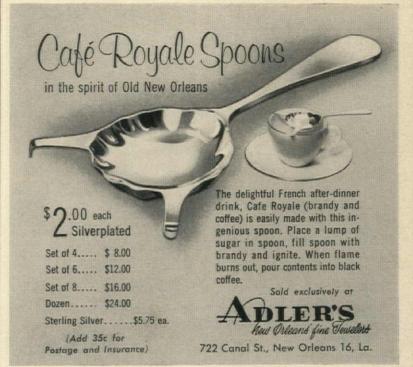
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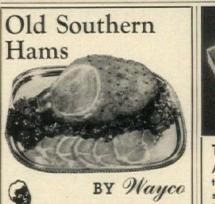
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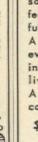
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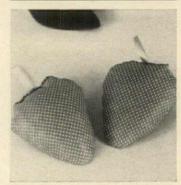


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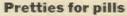


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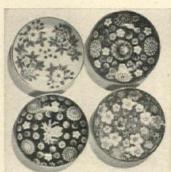
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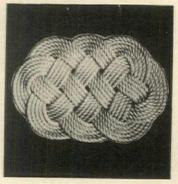
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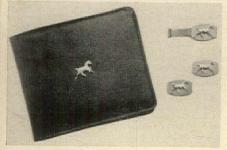




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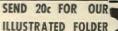
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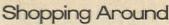
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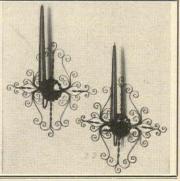
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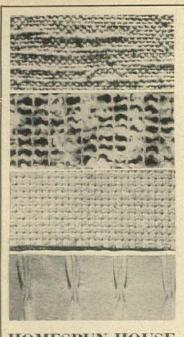






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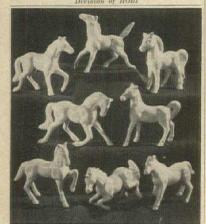
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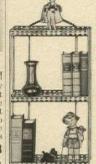
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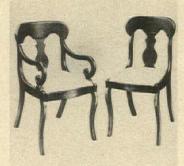


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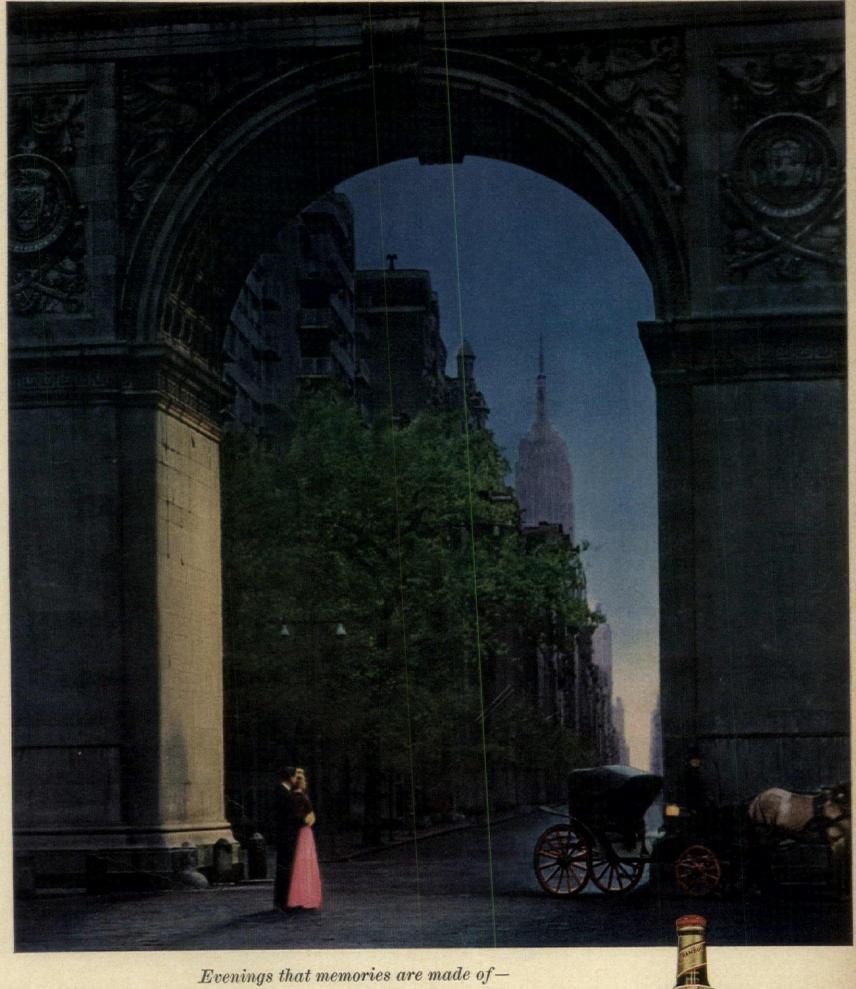
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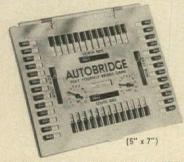
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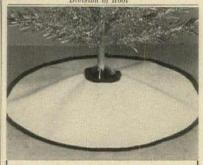
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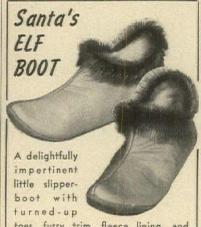
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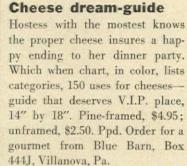


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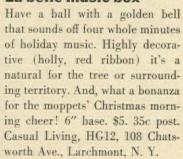
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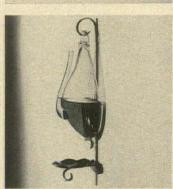
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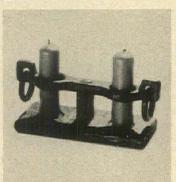
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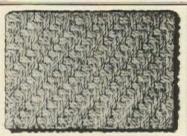
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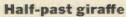
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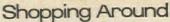
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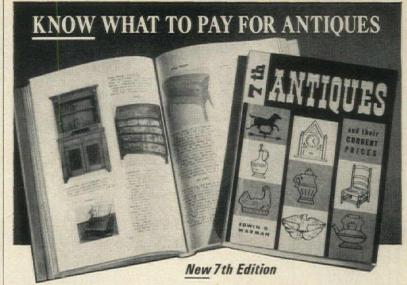




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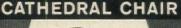
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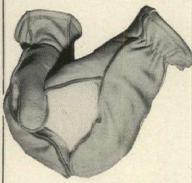
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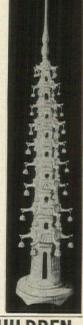
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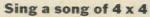
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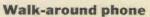
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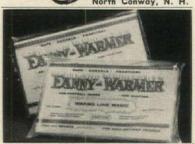
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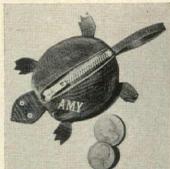
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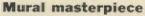
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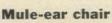


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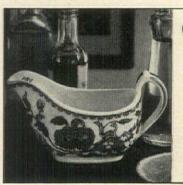
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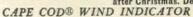
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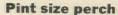


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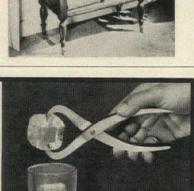
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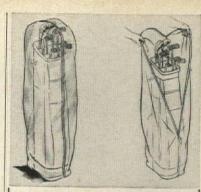
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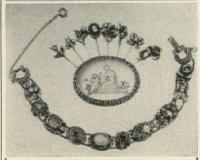
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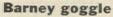
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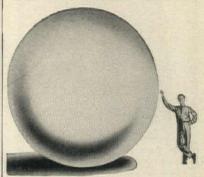
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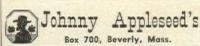
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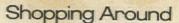
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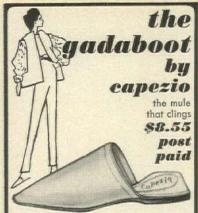


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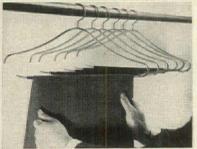
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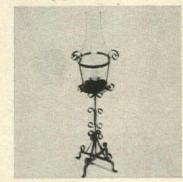
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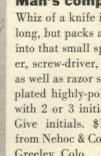
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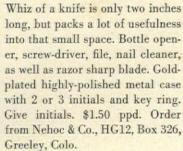
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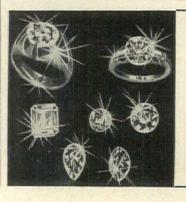
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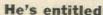
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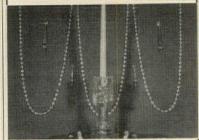
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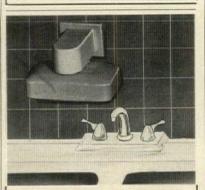
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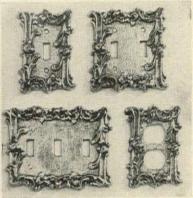


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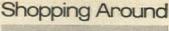
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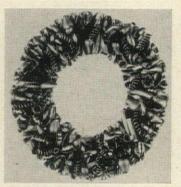
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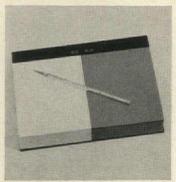
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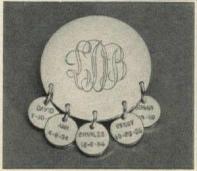
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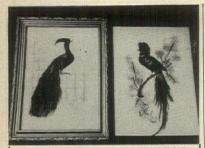
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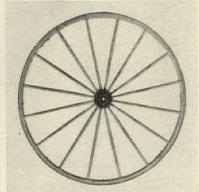
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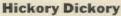


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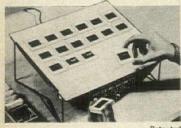
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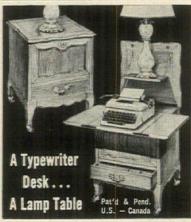
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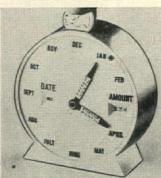
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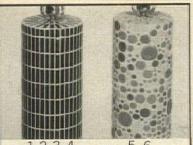
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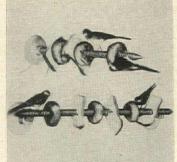
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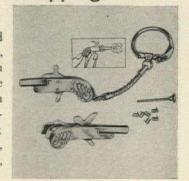
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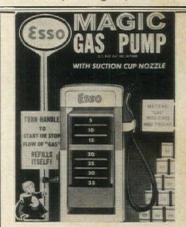
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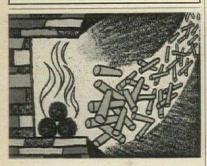
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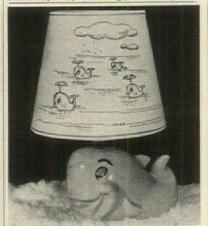
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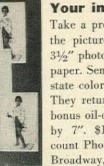


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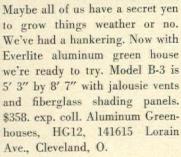
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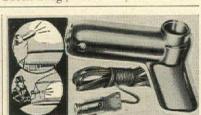


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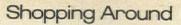
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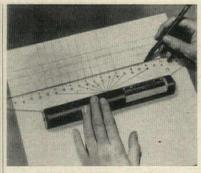
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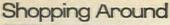
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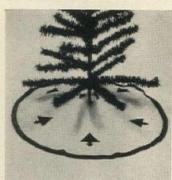
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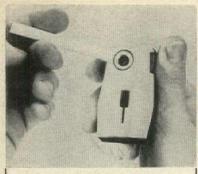


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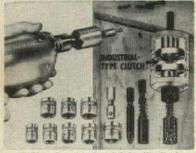
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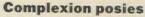
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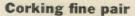
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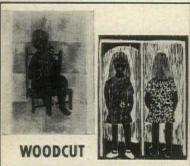
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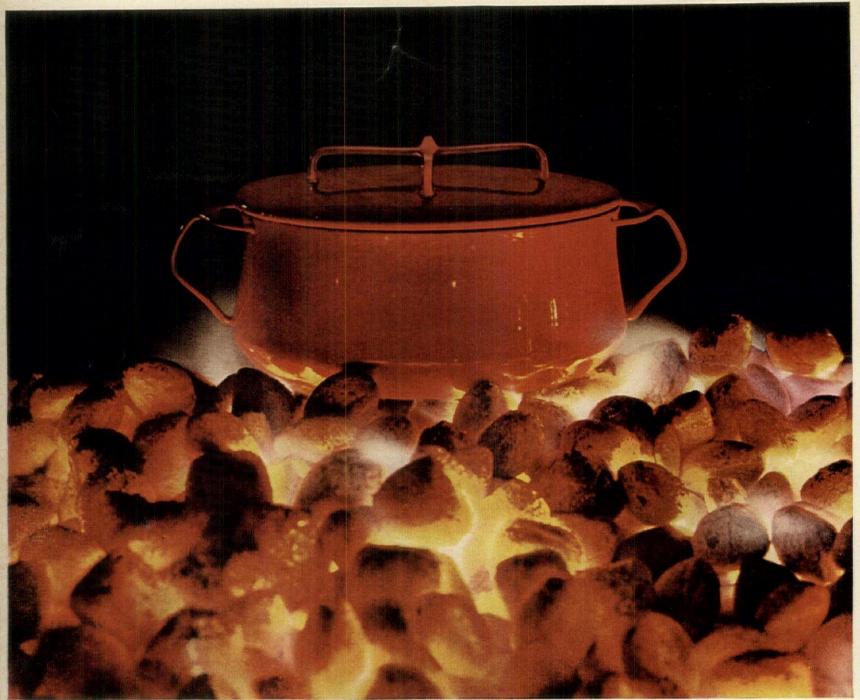
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Kobenstyle casseroles have a sizzling reputation. And we're not just referring to the awards they've won for designer Jens Quistgaard.

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scenes of gracious living. And museums put them on display. We're flattered. But one thing delights us more: Kobenstyle is immensely practical. Not only for cooking. For serving. Observe the trivet on the lid. Because it's pinpoint welded, very little heat is conducted to it. So when you flip the lid to act as a hot plate, the trivet won't harm your dining table. Or your hands. (The same idea applies to the handles.) We've fashioned Kobenstyle out of strong, Scandinavian steel; onto which we've fired a surprisingly hardy, chipresistant Frit. (That's the stuff most stoves are surfaced

with.) As a result, you can cook with Kobenstyle over an open fire. Which leads to some pretty fancy barbecues.

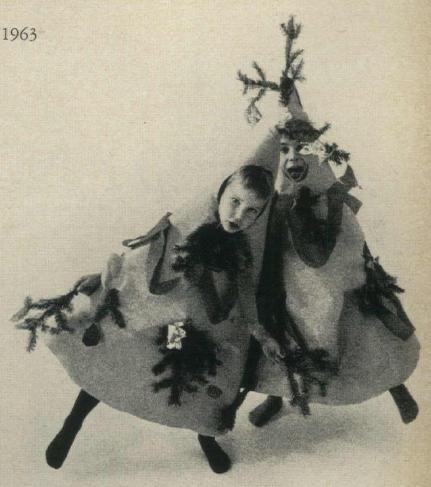
The bottom is thick, to keep in the heat. But the sides are thin, to keep down the weight.

Notice how the sides are curved, to match the curve of a spoon. This makes for splendid stirring and serving.

The casseroles come in red, yellow and turquoise. 2-quart, 4-quart and 6-quart. There are also two open bakers, three pitchers, a sauce pan and two new skillets.

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"NEVVS OF GREAT JOY, NEVVS OF GREAT MIRTH"

Awe, reverence, wonder, splendor, sentiment—all these belong to Christmas.

But Christmas wouldn't be Christmas
without laughter.

"Let us now both sport and play,"
goes a lively waits' carol,
for the essence of the ancient carols
was piety leavened with mirth.

H&G believes in old-fashioned Christmases.
We cherish all the beloved traditions
including the waits' tradition of mirth and play
that keeps the others green.
As you turn the pages of this issue,

As you turn the pages of this issue,
you will find the venerable customs enlivened
by playful flourishes as unexpected
as a twig of bittersweet spicing a wreath
—as blithely irrelevant as china birds
guarding a crèche
or Goldilocks guarding a gift
—as endearingly absurd
as the walking Christmas trees above.
Surely you will recognize those imps as
"neighbors' children whom you have seen before,"
bringing love and joy to you
and to your wassail, too,
and wishing you a Happy New Year.

There is brand new enchantment in

RED AND GREEN CHRISTMAS

Scarcely a color in the rainbow has not been used somewhere, sometime, to make a festive splash for Christmas. But in our part of the world none has ever surpassed the evocative impact of red and green. The colors of the holly and the ivy, of spruce and pine, of poinsettias' stars-these are the hues that never fail to stir up images of carolers and wassail, Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim, Meg and Toby Veck. And this nostalgic combination is the main theme of H&G's Christmas decorations for 1963-wreaths, garlands, baskets and nosegays to make every room in your house radiant with comfort and joy. But these new holiday garnishes are accented with touches as fresh and unexpected as the first snowfall. Tucked among the simulated cedar and boxwood are sprigs of parsley that add a feathery lushness. Instead of holly berries, bunches of cherries contribute their red glow. For surprise seasoning there is a sprinkling of orange bittersweet. And everything shimmers gently with a powdering of "diamond" dust.

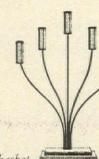
You can use these decorations as companions or extenders for the live greens you cart home from the woods or the florist. Since they are versatile and pliant as well as everlasting, you can also use them in spots where the real thing would be impractical. You don't have to give a thought to the problem of falling needles, or much of a thought (beyond ordinary common sense) to the dangers of fire. For the materials are flame resistant and can, if you like, be completely fireproofed.

Designed for H&G by Elise Platt, each of these decorations is ready to put in place, indoors or in a sheltered spot outdoors, exactly as it comes from the box. But if you want to embellish it further, you can-with tiny Christmas balls and lights, popcorn, cookies or extra bunches of cherries picked up in the Five and Ten. For shopping information, see page 190.

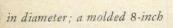
Wine basic components make up our collection of Christmas decorations. Since all share the traditional red-and-green color scheme, they are all kissing cousins and can be used in any combination you please. Here is the complete roster:

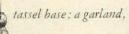


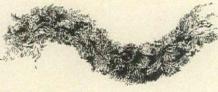
a jaunty 18-inch hanging wire basket. a wood and metal five-branch candelabrum; wreaths in three











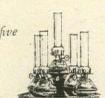
54 inches long; a tiny frisk



an 8-inch gilded



wicker basket: a cluster of five



tiny oil lamps on a tray, and



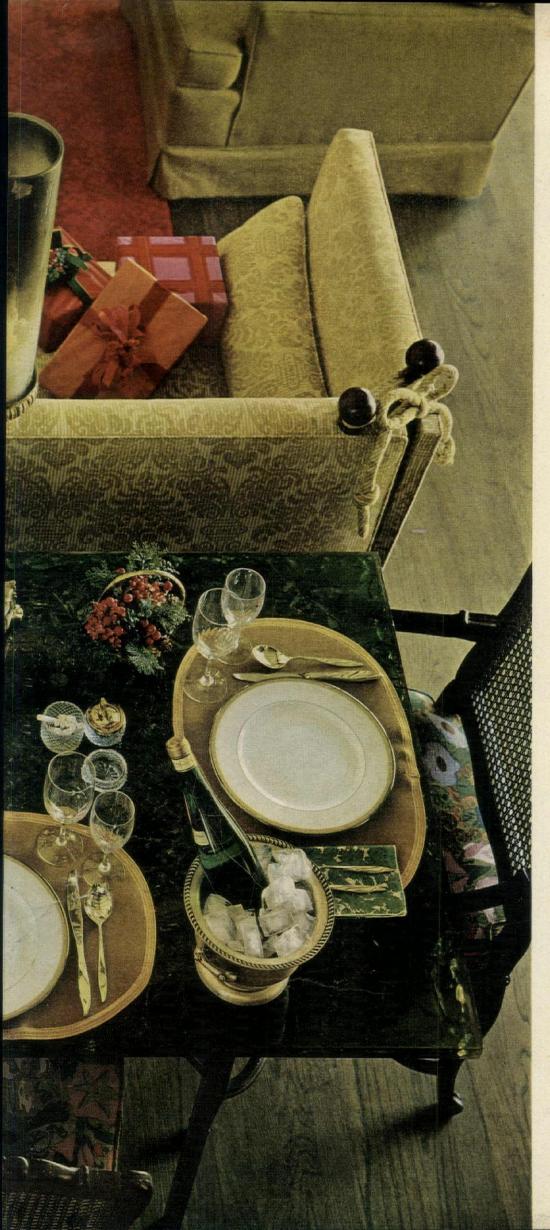
gayest of all, a kissing ball.

OPPOSITE PAGE: V he kissing ball, a wreath and a dozen nosegays set an old brass chandelier ablooming and help dress the stage for a family gift table. Proof of their versatility: the brass-belled kissing ball has become a pendant finial; the nosegays form little ruches for the hurricane shades: and one of the cherry-studded wreaths makes a Christmas collar for the brass bowl that holds the presents.

> PHOTOGRAPHED BY GRIGSBY AT DORIS DESSAUER HOUSE & GARDEN, DECEMBER, 1963







RED AND GREEN SPICE FOR A CHRISTMAS TABLE

be hanging basket makes a floating centerpiece for a Christmas Eve supper, its decorative effect amplified by satellites—the little greenery filled baskets at each place. The larger basket can either hang or sit since it has four ball feet as well as hanging wires. Here, its hanger masked with velvet ribbon, it is impaled on the spike of the tassel base which holds it securely aloft. The smaller baskets, of course, can go home with the guests. The crackled green-and-gold table top with the look of Lalique glass is actually made of plastic. Silver flatware in the "Vivant" pattern is Heirloom Sterling by Oneida; the platinum-and-gold-edged china in the "Grace" pattern is by Syracuse and the cut crystal goblets and wineglasses in the "Venus" pattern, by Fostoria. Place mats woven of velvety "Islon" Chemstrand nylon by Matouk. Photograph and interior by Fotiades. For shopping information, please turn to page 190.



TEMPTING BACKDROP FOR A CHILDREN'S PARTY







OPPOSITE PAGE:

wreath-and-garland swag that frames the take-home table for a children's holiday party is embellished with strings of popcorn, candy canes and mock cookies (actually tree ornaments—the real cookies, needless to say, have been placed in a more accessible spot). Handfuls of nosegays deck the brass sconces overhead and each of the gifts bears the extra bonus of a small basket speared with a candy cane. Casting an old-fashioned glimmer over all is a cluster of oil lamps, their tray skewered to the tassel base and edged with red velvet ribbon. The final touch of red and green: marzipan strawberries. THIS PAGE, TOP:

Oil lamps garnished with nosegays and extra bunches of cherries make a luminous centerpiece for a supper table too small to accommodate both flowers and candles. (The tray can be used without the tassel base, but takes up a little more room that way.) Fringed with daisies, say, instead of Christmas reds and greens, the lamps would be just as timely for a party on Midsummer's Eve. CENTER:

he hanging basket and two little companions, after officiating at the dining table, can move to the living room to become part of another composition. Or, minus the tassel base, the larger basket can hang on the front door in lieu of a wreath.

RIGHT:

Cherry-studded wreath, like all of the other decorations, is sufficiently flame-resistant to pin up near a fireplace without fear of spontaneous combustion. Photographed by Grigsby at Doris Dessauer. Shopping information, page 190.

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FESTIVE GARNISH FOR HALL AND BUFFET

LEFT:

Sarlands spiked with extra bunches of cherries make enchanting holiday stoles for the mirrors in an entrance ball. (You could do the same with a window or a glass door.) Tiny Christmas tree lights sparkle amidst the foliage which is bushy enough to reveal not a sign of the cords. One of the 10-inch wreaths hangs from the top of each mirror, and a trio of hanging baskets suspended on invisible wires over the porcelain stove (in another hall, it might be a chest or a console), revolve slowly in the moving currents of air.

OPPOSITE PAGE:

The wood and metal candelabrum, plumed with bows and nosegays, sheds a gala glow over a holiday buffet, but takes up very little room on the table. The rest of the decorations—all planned as part of the composition—take up no table room at all: the pair of belled and ribboned kissing balls hanging from the ceiling beams like great pomanders, and the nosegay dotted garland twined around the table stretcher. Photographed by Grigsby at Doris Dessauer.

HOUSE & GARDEN, DECEMBER, 1963



The TWOST SPLENDID TREE

Winning ideas from our Christmas tree contest of 1962

L ast December, spurred by our discovery of Judge Alfred J. Link's magnificent Christmas tree in LaPorte, Ind. (see "Tree of Wonder," H&G, December, 1962), we decided to see what other splendors the forest might hold. So we announced a competition, inviting our readers to submit photographs of their 1962 trees in all their freshly trimmed glory and tell us the stories behind them. The response was overwhelming in quantity, superb in quality. Not only were the trees splendid indeed, they embodied hundreds of original and imaginative ideas. For in almost every case, the universal Christmas traditions had been interpreted according to a personal tradition or augmented by personal symbolism.

Some families, like Judge Link's, had achieved their distinctive brand of splendor with collections of ornaments gathered over the years, or during their travels. Others had made their own ornaments from such diverse materials as felt, eggshells, paper, marshmallows. Many of the trees themselves were also unique. In addition to the traditional spruce or fir, there were trees made of wood, of cardboard, even of regional materials like tumbleweed. One contestant wove a tapestry tree to hang on the wall.

The most splendid tree of all you see in part on our cover and in its full magnificence on the *opposite page*. We also photographed the leading runner-up which you will see on page 134. Other prize winners (all of whose owners were notified last spring, as promised) and several other entries as well offered so many stimulating ideas we wanted to share with our readers that we have packed the pages that follow with highlights culled from winners and nonwinners alike.

One entry merited very special notice. The work of a group of seventh graders in a Texas junior high school, its story illustrates what all our entrants intimated in their letters and H&G strongly believes: that the deepest satisfaction of a Christmas tree stems from personal involvement, that the investment of personal time, labor and care produces the most glowing results.

Because of the wonderful response to our Most Splendid Christmas Tree Competition, we are inviting you to share your ideas with us again this year. For the details of our Most Inviting Christmas Door Competition, turn to page 196.

ST PRIZE

Traditional splendor achieved in a new way

The sumptuous tree created by the ROBERT W. JACKSTONS of Los Altos, Calif., was awarded first prize on three counts. First, it was quite simply a magnificent tree in the grand, old-fashioned manner. Second, its beauty was achieved with readily available materials. And third, these materials—2,400 balls—were used in a truly inventive way, so that they cascaded over the thick branches like a rainbow waterfall.

The luxurious contours of the tree itself were the result of Mr. Jackston's customary technique for improving on nature. He looks for a tree that is bushy and well padded to start with, then fills in any bare spaces with boughs from a second tree. The extra boughs are inserted into holes drilled in the trunk, then wired to other branches for support.

The first step in trimming the tree is to string the balls on green florist's wire in clusters of three. Some of these clusters are wired directly to the trunk of the tree where, even though hidden by branches, they reflect light and keep the center of the tree from being a dark, shadowy mass. Next, Mr. Jackston strings onto the tree forty-eight twinkle lights and wires the rest of the ball clusters to the tops of the branches. The final flourishes are the Styrofoam balls that Mrs. Jackston converts into maharajas' treasures with snippets of velvet and lace and all manner of beads and





bibelots from the jewelry counter of the Five and Ten. Since the Jackstons usually decorate their tree several days in advance, by Christmas day the branches are drooping gracefully under their glittering freight.





2 ND PRIZE

Exquisite ornaments lovingly made at home

CONRAD E. CURRY of West Newton, Pa., made every one of the decorations for his breath-takingly lovely tree—with the natural exception of the candle lights. He started by making a drawing of the tree he saw in his mind's eye, then went to work on the decorations: ninety paper snowflakes, no two alike; twelve bluebirds, each in a different stance; twelve nests of hay, twelve dewy spiderwebs and innumerable clear glass balls.

The snowflakes, made of scored and folded paper, cut with a trimming knife, were adapted from some Mr. Curry had seen in H&G years ago. They hang on white thread,



and as they rotate in the warm currents of air, light sparkles on the sprinkling of silver glitter at their tops.

Small plastic birds made the foundations for Mr. Curry's bluebirds. He clipped off the tails, built up the bodies with papier-mâché, and shaped the wings from paste-saturated fabric reinforced with wire. Finally, the royal blue dyed feathers were glued on, one by one.

The birds' nests were made of real hay, sewn with raffia to papier-mâché bases. For the delicate spiderwebs, wires were soldered together, and rhinestone dewdrops added.

In order to get the clear glass balls he wanted, Mr. Curry had to wash the outer colors from old ornaments, then remove the silver lining by swishing damp sand around the insides.

Finally, he wrapped the gifts to go under his tree in the same color scheme of blues and white, decorating each gift with a different lifelike flower made of ribbon on crepe paper.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OTHER, ENTRIES

Specially wrought decorations give many trees a unique flavor

MR. AND MRS. ALFRED BEADLESTON of Shrewsbury, N. J., adorn their annual tree exclusively with felt ornaments that Mr. Beadleston's talented mother made for them over the years. The collection started with traditional Christmas stars, snowmen, fruits and such. Then came re-

fruits and such. Then came reminders of personal enthusiasms or experiences: a golf bag with clubs, a cuckoo clock, a strawberry, a world globe, all finely detailed with sequins, seed pearls and beads. Most of these gay concoctions are red and

white and they are hung on a stylized tree, below, made by wiring together two 3½-foot artificial trees. MRS. HAROLD L. BUCK of Panama City, Fla., decks her snow-coated Disneyland tree with another kind of felt ornament: storybook characters such as Pinocchio, The Mad Hatter, The Tin Man of Oz.



MRS. ETHEL VERGIN of San Francisco makes edible ornaments for the children in the psychiatric clinic where she works as a nurse. Her tree, above right, is a veritable menagerie made partly of

menagerie made partly of marshmallows put together with toothpicks and powdered sugar frosting—partly of frosted cookies fashioned with a fantastic variety of cookie cutters she has collected for this purpose.



MRS. MARY E. DICKINSON of Austin, Tex., has made a hundred ornaments of eggshells, all so intricately detailed that her grandchildren sit and gaze at her tree for hours. Some

shells are cut in half to make baskets that hold tiny candies.
Others are cut out to frame tiny pictures or miniature birds, dolls or Santas. And all are studded with sequins, pearls, glitter or braid. Another tree trimmer who makes her own ornaments is MRS.

JAMES E. DEGAN of Flossmoor, Ill. Like Mrs. Jackston (page

132), Mrs. Degan uses a Styrofoam ball as a foundation for her ribbons and spangles, but she leaves a good part of the snowy Styrofoam exposed. Thus her bright "snowballs" are as romantic as fairytale toys, and so gay that they provide her thick, ceiling-high tree, below, with all the adornment that it needs.



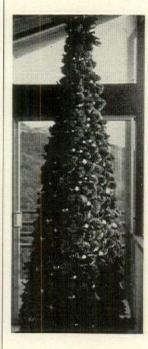
MANY FAMILIES ALSO FASHIONED THEIR OWN TREES

A variety of materials were imaginatively assembled into unusual shapes

L. JARMIN ROACH of Los Angeles, Calif., designed a half tree to decorate his fireplace wall. First, a wire framework in the shape of a shallow half-cone was fixed to the wall, then cedar branches were attached to it with florists' wire. (If you should be inspired to borrow this idea, it would be well for safety's sake to flameproof the branches first.) To keep his tree in key with the contemporary character of his living room, Mr. Roach confined his decorations to three types: small bee lights instead of regular Christmas tree lights, festoons of tiny gold beads, shimmering Japanese silk fruit, which he also piled on hearth.



PETER C. PORTMAN of Laguna Beach, Calif., composed an exceptionally elegant tree of pine cones and dry leaves, collected practically in his own backyard. The base of the tree is a 34-inchwide plywood disk. From the center of the disk rises a 9-foot tree shaft, and from the edges, long poles which meet at the top of the shaft. Chicken wire wrapped around this structure completes the cone-shaped framework for the hundreds of leaves and pine cones painted by



hand in autumnal brown and gold, then sprinkled with gold glitter. As a final touch, the tree is hung with balls of soft avocado green, graduated in size from top to bottom, Mr. Portman designed his tree specifically to harmonize with the panoramic view of hills, sea and sky framed by the window wall behind it. But, as he points out, the framework of the tree is easily adaptable to the vagaries of changing moods and tastes.

THE G. W. BOYERS of Mobile, Ala., made their flat, stylized tree with the big pine cones for which they have a particular affection. First they built a tier of shelves in graduated lengths to suggest the shape of a tree and edged them with cotton snow. Then they nailed giant white-sprayed cones to each shelf, adding blue lights and balls to symbolize night. An angel light at the top is the benign guardian of this snow-covered forest in miniature.



MRS. BOOTS ELVIN of Artesia, N. M., found the materials for her tree in a nearby cotton field. One morning, after a showery night, as she watched the empty cotton burrs glittering like gold in the sun, a huge tumbleweed moved past inspiring her with a unique idea: Some days later, she dragged home two enormous tumbleweeds, pressed them together, clipped them into tree shape with an electric hedge trimmer, and sprayed them with green paint. For decoration, she used hundreds

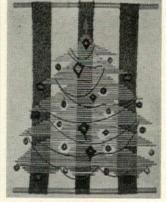


of cotton burrs, sprayed gold, plus hundreds of tiny gold-sprayed rings cut from empty plastic tubes that she had used in her beauty shop.

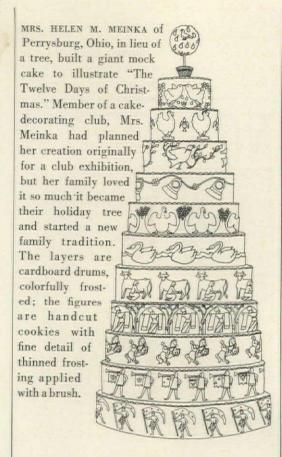
The thick tumbleweeds and their stick-

ers grabbed the ornaments and held them securely in place without benefit of wires or hangers.

MRS. MARIECHEN W. JACKSON of Honolulu wove her Christmas tree—a colorful wall hanging that is likely to grace the Jacksons' dining room for years. For the background, including the three broad bands, she used a warp of gold-colored yarn with a weft of bright green combined with metallic gold and split bamboo from a cast-off



window shade. The trunk of the tree is woven of brown chenille. Some of the decorations were executed in tapestry technique, some are Eyes of God. Mrs. Jackson also added Styrofoam ornaments trimmed with glitter and the weaving yarns. The finished hanging, 28¾ by 36 inches, is held by inch-thick bamboo poles at top and bottom.



ORNAMENT COLLECTIONS RICH IN FAMILY TRADITION



MRS. ANNE WESELOH of Escondido, Calif., treasures a collection of ornaments that has decked her family's Christmas trees ever since her French-born mother came to this country as a bride. Nostalgic for the toy-hung trees of her European childhood, she resolved to recreate them for her children and began to collect miniature toys and old-fashioned ornaments, enlarging her hoard during trips abroad. Teddy bears, rocking horses, soldiers, dolls and all man-

ner of fascinating old ornaments make the Weseloh tree a Hansel-and-Gretel dream come true. To set off her heir-

To set off her heirlooms in 1962
Mrs. Weseloh
was lucky
enough to
find an unusual tree
with symmetrically placed branches called the "noble
fir" (Abies procera).
The species is not common, but

it would be possible to reconstruct a comparable form from a spruce or fir with a thick shaft. Remove all the branches. Drill holes through the shaft at regularly spaced intervals, and reinsert the branches. To support them at perfect right angles to the shaft, run fine wires in from the tips of each branch and wind them around the shaft.



DR. AND MRS. KENNETH MAJER of Northbrook, Ill., have assembled a truly fabulous collection of old ornaments from Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Italy, many of which date back to the Eighteen Hundreds. Since some were handed down from the Maiers' grandparents, some were the gifts of friends and others were ferreted out of antique shops during the Maiers' travels, each evokes a personal association. Trimming the spectacular family tree, above, takes many nights of work. In addition, 3-year-old Joey Maier trims his own little tree with dessert treats, to be shared later with his friends. Likewise full of memories is the one-world tree of the GEORGE BURNHAMS in Detroit, Mich., which is laden with ornaments contributed by visiting foreign students and friends, or picked up all over the world by the Burnhams themselves. The ornaments range from tiny maharaja's shoes made by their cobbler in Delhi to a red paper bird fashioned by a Japanese friend. Over each object on the tree perches the flag of its country. MRS. HAL RACHAL of Midland, Tex., intersperses her travel-acquired treasures with dozens of white birds-German, Mexican, Japanese-doubly bright against the emerald green sprayed tree. And on the surrounding walls, more birds hover, each with a shiny ball in its beak.

THE TREE MONEY COULDN'T BUY

The story of the tree decorated by the seventh graders of a Houston, Tex., junior high school, as told by their art teacher, MRS. JANET FOX, was moving testimony to the rewards of personal involvement in a joyfully shared endeavor.

For several years, the school had been decorated for Christmas with a rubber-stamp succession of trees trimmed with old ornaments and faulty lights mindlessly contributed by the pupils. With lavish trees of their own at home (for the school serves a wealthy neighborhood), few took any pride in the school tree, with the result that, within days, the tree would be virtually wrecked through carelessness or outright vandalism. So in hopes of arousing more interest in the tree for 1962, the art department set up a contest. Seventh graders were invited to make the tree ornaments, themselves, using only discarded materials. Tin cans, paper cups, light bulbs, even a champagne cork, along with ribbon, yarn, tissue paper and a deliberately sparing allowance of gold paint and

glitter were converted into incredible fantasies. Four hundred ornaments—clowns, Santas, angels, nameless abstractions—decked the finished tree. The



superficial glamour of tinsel and glitter was purposely omitted in order to make the tree entirely a product of the childrens' creativity and inventiveness. Parents, friends, schoolmates came to look and stayed to gaze with astonishment. Not a single ornament was broken and the children could see they had contributed to the holiday spirit of the whole school. They also learned (some for the first time) the value of things money can't buy.



STAGE AN INSPIRING CRECHE

Older than the Yule tree, the crèche is one of the most enchanting symbols of Christmas we know, and over the ages has inspired countless works of art. Even when the little tableau of the Nativity is the work of an untaught craftsman, it can be wholly charming—so much so that the quaintest of the familiar figures are as highly prized by collectors as the most sophisticated. Once strictly family treasures, crèche figures are appearing today in increasing quantity and variety in shops both here and abroad, and arranging the Christmas tableau has become as much of a holiday delight as trimming the tree. Some families, in fact, collect crèche figures as others collect Christmas ornaments, for a crèche may consist of a few figures or a hundred, many of them originally designed for other purposes—secular objets d'art, for instance, or children's toys. Moreover, the whole crèche need not be seasonal. Often its setting can be used the year round as a stage for almost anything small that a collector may want to display: tiny sculptures, semi-precious stones, lead soldiers, miniature porcelains. A child with flair can arrange a very effective crèche (early teen-agers are usually delighted to find they can adapt outgrown toys to a grown-up purpose), and an imaginative adult can approximate the wonderful. The examples on these and the following pages were part of a spectacular exhibition staged by architect Alexander Girard at the Nelson Gallery-Atkins Museum in Kansas City, Mo., and sponsored by Hallmark Cards for the benefit of the People-to-People program. From the prodigious array of 170 crèches, H&G chose eleven, some simple, some not, that offered ideas especially pertinent to the setting and arrangement of a crèche at home.



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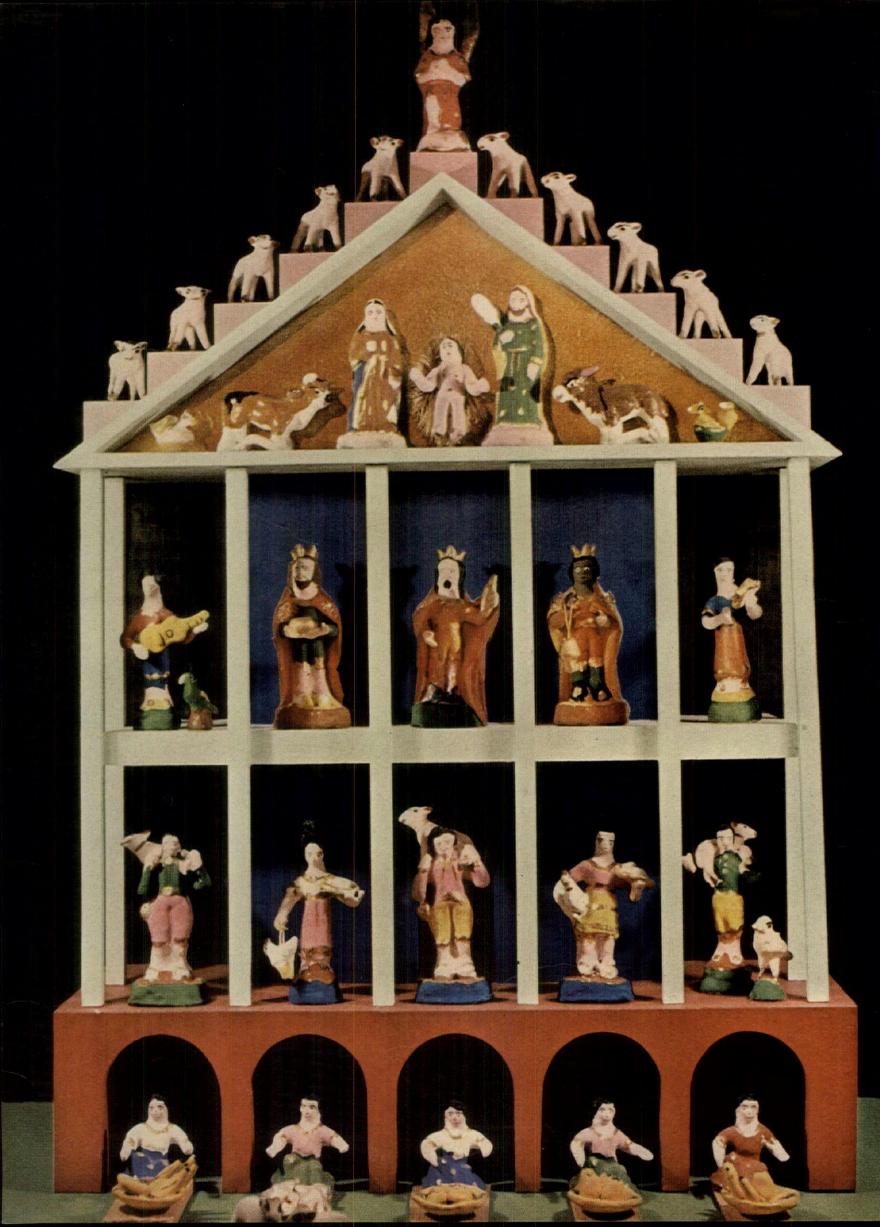
BELOW LEFT:

with gaily painted doors
makes one of the simplest of
crèche settings, yet creates
the effect of a medieval
miracle play in dumb show.
Lacking a cabinet, you could
easily make one or have
one made. If the workmanship
is crude, that would only
add to the folk flavor.
The figures, as long as they
are in scale, might vary widely
in origin. These, of painted
wood, are from Mexico.

OPPOSITE PAGE:

Paper arches, like
a soaring halo of light, frame
a pyramid of steps enclosed
in a shadow box. Translucent
tracing paper strengthened with
struts was used for these
arches, but similar ones could
be cut from Styrofoam, which
is strong enough to stand
unsupported, easier to work
with and translucent
enough to filter a light
placed at the rear of the box.
The collection of wax angels
is from Salzburg, Austria.





HOW TO STAGE A CRECHE continued

OPPOSITE PAGE:

National States of the pediment, a collection of plumed hussars would make a dashing show. Here, the façade holds a gaily painted medley of Mexican clay figures: the Holy Family, the Magi, townsfolk with gifts, the traditional angel and a roof full of lambs.

RIGHT:

Background for a collage is a series of shallow steps made of plywood or wallboard covered in metallic paper and embellished with dried mosses. The figures, anchored to the steps with clay, come from Germany in a kit which is available at a few museum shops (also by mail, from The Doodlet Shop, Santa Fe, N. M.). Made of cast lead from antique molds, the painted figures are thin enough to be little more than two-dimensional, so the whole composition is only about 4 inches deep and could very easily be framed and hung like a painting. A Nativity of this type would probably remain a permanent assembly, but the same idea is adaptable to any kind of collage-type composition.

BELOW:

HE BELOVED AND FAMILIAR STABLE is a simple little structure made of thin unpainted wood—plywood, if you like—in twelve pieces: a back, two sides, crosspieces at floor and eaves, six rafters and a ridgepole. The thatched roof is woven of raffia, the kind available at a hobby shop. Here, the figures are from Poland, carved of wood, typical in their solemnity of that country's religious handicraft. Any crèche group, however—even one of bread and colored sugar such as those found in Ecuador—could find peaceful shelter in this homemade byre.





HOW TO STAGE A CRECHE continued







A TABLE-TOP ARRANGEMENT can be composed in the manner of a theatre-in-the-round with miniature trees and shrubs instead of a scenic backdrop. The platform for the figures could be made of boxes painted white, the terrain of gravel, pebbles or marble chips, and the planting of bits of driftwood, twigs, dried shrubs.

These Mexican figures are of glazed pottery.

AN ITALIANATE COLONNADE makes an unusual background for a crèche with a Renaissance flavor. Kings and nobles gallop up to a manger at the top of a ramp made either of wood or (simpler) illustrator's board cut to shape with a mat knife. Children's blocks, the architectural kind, could easily produce the colonnade. The equestrian figures might be lead horsemen. This rare group was carved of tagua nut in seventeenth-century Ecuador.

FLORAL GROTTO in a shadow box (which you can either buy at a frame shop or make yourself) can be arranged with just about any kind of pretty, dried vegetation: statice, huckleberry, straw flowers, live-forever. The arrangement will hold its shape best if the heavy stems are anchored in florist's clay and the feathery parts held in place with wire or florist's tape. The Nativity figures should be fairly romantic in style—not eccentric or too stern. These, from Guadalajara, are of painted pottery. Protected by glass, this type of crèche would be a permanent arrangement.

A STRAW STABLE offers an extremely simple, easy-to-make background for almost any kind of crèche figures. The platform could be made of a box covered in felt, the columns from dowels. The raffia stable is a simple half beehive, tied at the top, interlaced at the bottom to hold its shape, finished across the front with a raffia binding. In this case the straw creates an interesting contrast in texture to the glossy smoothness of glazed ceramic figures from Germany, and the composition is rounded out by a pair of quite irrelevant but nonetheless charming ceramic birds. Seemingly air-borne, the cherubs are suspended on nylon fish line.

THE ILLUSION OF PERSPECTIVE can be achieved almost magically by combining figures of various sizes and placing the largest in front, the medium size in the center, tiny ones in the distance. This riotous translation of the crèche into a Neapolitan street scene is a virtuoso composition almost 6 feet deep. But using the same large-to-small principle of figure arrangement, a similar scene could be staged on a smaller scale in a 3-foot-long carton or shadow box.

A CHILD'S TOY VILLAGE, outgrown but not discarded, could be put to likely use for a panoramic crèche along the lines of this Bavarian Bethlehem. The hillside could be built of unpainted wood or even of children's blocks (you might have to borrow a few extras) laid on a substructure of boxes of graduated size. You would need a lot of little people, too, to populate the town, but Bavarian figures such as these are available in goodly supply in this country.

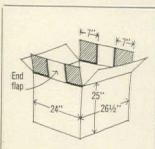
BUILD A BRIGHT REFUGE FOR THE ANIMAL KINGDOM

With cartons and crayons, you can construct a colorful shelter for the children's stuffed animals

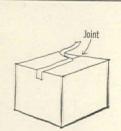
From the first cuddly teddy bear to the sophisticated giraffes and kangaroos of later years, each creature continues to be treasured long after its ears are no more than a few shreds and its eyes, empty sockets. And since not one of these creatures may ever ever be discarded, the menagerie soon outgrows the toy shelf. So H&G has designed an ark as benevolent in its ways as Noah's, since it is not only a place for the animals to play, but a substantial shelter from the stormy seas of the playroom floor.

You can make the ark yourself of easily available materials, the most costly of which are two unfolded card-board cartons. The ones we used each measured 26½ inches long, by 24 inches wide, by 25 inches high, but the precise dimensions are less important than the approximate shape. (You could make a smaller ark out of one carton.) Using a 5-inch utility knife with serrated blade, you cut or score the cartons, then fold them to shape hull, cabin and prow. The parts are assembled first with brass fasteners, then secured with gummed tape. Once the ark is constructed, you can decorate it with paper, Crayola crayons and tempera paint. To simulate the planked siding, cut unglazed shelf paper into 3-inch-wide strips; lay the strips on a plank of wood and rub with a brown crayon. Paste the planks on the hull (Firma-Grip paste is good for this) and accent with brown crayon. You can make the decking in the same fashion by rubbing black poster paper with white crayon over a plank of wood. Cabin and roof may be colored with tempera paint. The window shutters are made from cardboard scraps covered with paper crayoned like planking, and the roof shingles, from egg carton dividers. Gangplank is a separate piece of cardboard with cross-strips for treads, lollipop sticks and string for guide ropes. Roof lifts up for toy storage.

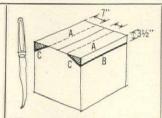
How to construct the three-part ark



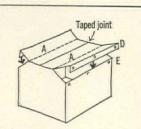
Measure 7 inches in from each end of end flaps. Cut along bold lines, using a sawing motion, to remove shaded areas.



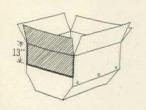
Fold in remainders of end flaps; fold the side flaps over them. Secure the closing across the top with masking tape.



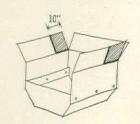
Measure 7 inches in from each corner toward taped joint. Score top (do not cut) along dotted lines "A." Measure 3½ inches down from each corner and cut each side along bold line "B." Cut ends along line "C"; and remove shaded areas.



Fold down the top along the scored line "A," tucking inside box to point where the edge "D" meets cut edge "E." Fasten the two thicknesses with 3½-inch paper fasteners.



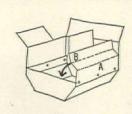
Turn ark over. Measure 13 inches down from the corners at one end. Cut along bold lines and remove the shaded area (save this piece—you will need it for the prow).



At opposite end of box, measure 10 inches from ends of the side flaps, cut along the bold lines, remove the shaded areas.



Measure 9¼ inches down from corners on each side, and score outside of box along line "A." Measure 6¼ inches down from corners on each side and score inside of box along dotted line "B." Cut the two corners along the bold lines to line "A."



Fold each side toward the inside of box along line "A," then toward the outside along line "B." These instructions are continued on page 184.

OPPOSITE PAGE: Kenny Graham, 6, and Gigi Hanover, 41/2, put our ark through its paces, and prove it is not only sizable-2 feet wide by 5 feet long by 2 feet highbut shipshape (it may not float, but it is sturdy). If your children's playroom lends itself to a real stage setting, you might approximate our background by painting the wall with sky and mountains, the floor with waves. Steiff animals from F. A. O. Schwarz.





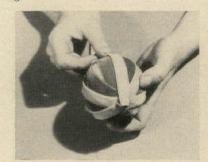


FANTASIES YOU CAN YOURSELF

PHERICAL Prilliant ribbons, jeweled stick pins, a Styrofoam ball are all you need to make a Christmas ball as splendid as anything ever dreamed up by Fabergé. These fanciful spheres of glowing velvet and rich brocade look marvelous against the dark branches of a Christmas tree. You can also hang them from a window frame in festive bunches like those on the opposite page, or dangle a bright trio from a chandelier. Or you might give some as Christmas gifts, singly or in pairs. With sachet added (in a small pocket scooped out of the Styrofoam base), they would make a wonderfully pretty way to scent a closet. Since these regal conceits have the look of heirloom decorations, many families like to add a new ball every year to a treasured collection that memorializes happy Christmases. If you are a ribbon fancier, you may find the makings of several balls in your hoard of "someday" remnants and embellish them with more glitter in the form of beads, pearls, sequins, gold braid. Or you might plan a series of balls in special color schemes and shop for ribbons to carry them out. But if you are short on shopping time, you can do away with that part of the procedure this year by ordering from Ribbon Decor, P.O. Box 2, East Rutherford, N.J., a new kit that contains all the ingredients for making four 3-inch balls in any one of three color ranges: warm (reds, oranges, yellow), cool (blues, greens, purples) and the traditional red and green.

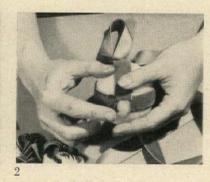
How to make a regal sphere in eleven simple steps

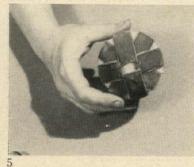


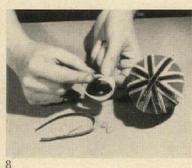


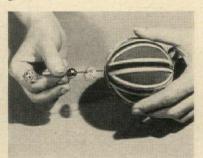












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There is no end to the ways you can vary the ribbon coverings. But an appropriately splendid effect can be achieved with ribbons of three widths (1-inch and narrower), one short "jewel" headed pin for a finial and one long "jeweled" hatpin.

1 Place end of widest ribbon at any point on Styrofoam ball, anchor at both corners with straight pins.

2 Pull ribbon firmly around ball to 1/2 inch from starting point. Cut and pin. With same width ribbon start second band at right angles to first.

3 Cross second ribbon over first ribbon at spot directly opposite starting point.

4 Cut and anchor second ribbon 1/2 inch from its start. Styrofoam ball should now be quartered evenly and have square bald spot at one end.

5 Bisect the four white areas in same manner with two more strips of same width ribbon.

6 To cover remaining white strips use one continuous piece of medium-width ribbon. Anchor end over bald spot, wrap ribbon firmly around ball, pin, then turn ribbon slightly and cover the next white area. When all the Styrofoam is covered, anchor ribbon with two pins and cut.

7 Center narrowest ribbon over medium ribbon and wind around the ball, following the same route.

8 Make a bow base for the handle with a fold of medium-width ribbon. Overlap ends slightly in center of bow.

9 Pin bow in center to one end of ball.

10 Make handle with loop of narrow-width ribbon. Overlap ends, run jeweled finial through them, inside loop, and anchor to bow.

11 Finish opposite end with jeweled hatpin stuck straight through ball.

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All the dearly familiar carols are sung informally every year shortly before Christmas around a towering tree in New York City's Amster Yard. This delightful tradition, started four Christmases ago by the East Forty Ninth Street Association, now draws hundreds of enthusiasts to its evening sing-song under the host-

manship of interior designer James Amster. The carolers, each wearing something red, collect in the Yard at about 8:00 P.M. Song books are distributed, flashlights beam on and after a brief rehearsal, everyone troops out to serenade the neighborhood. Later, a steaming wassail bowl awaits the shivering performers arriving back at the Yard.

"sing, boys, in Joyful chorus"

—the merriest way to celebrate the holidays, outdoors or indoors Every year as voices lift in the well-loved carols, another link is formed in the chain that makes all Christmases one. Even the carols that have become as familiar as your own name take on renewed eloquence when you hear them sung inside a candlelit church dancing with shadows on Christmas Eve, or wafted indoors from a snowy street where a band of very young wassailers struggle to keep on key, or outdoors around a gigantic glistening tree such as the one, above, in New York's Amster Yard. But the carols we all grew up with are no more than a tiny drop in the huge reservoir of songs—sweet, wistful or rollicking—that men have sung at Christmas. Even a perfunctory run-through of the more than 5,000 Christmas choral titles offered by today's music publishers will turn up an abundance of engaging music that can give a traditional holiday sing the piquant flavor of the unexpected.

The simplest of caroling parties, indoors or outdoors, is the unrehearsed sing-along kind at which amateur voices in unison are spurred on by a strong accompaniment and a few adventurous and sure-pitched sight readers. A rich source of fresh fare for such choruses are the Christmas folk songs that music researchers have garnered from all over the world. Two good collections are "Christmas Carols from Many Countries" (G. Schirmer) that



U nusual chorales culled from many centuries and from many lands are frequently performed during the holidays by the Schola Cantorum, a professional group directed by Hugh Ross. On this occasion, twelve singers accompanied by harpsichord, harp, violin, trumpet and percussion, gave a black-tie musicale at the New York

City apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Derek L. O'Donoghue, jounders of the Schola Associates who support the group. At the beginning of the evening the guests were served drinks, then they settled around the living room to hear such Christmas rarities as ancient Slavic folk songs, Renaissance motets, madrigals, songs by Scarlatti, Handel, Britten.

range from Wales to Austria and Portugal to Poland, and "Fifty Christmas Carols of all Nations" (Willis Music Co.) that include Alsace, Italy, Sweden, Spain.

Somewhat more ambitious—and for that reason often more rewarding—is the indoor Christmas musicale complete with choristers, instrumentalists and an appreciative audience. For such a performance you would undoubtedly need a few rehearsals (part of the fun) by a reliable nucleus of twelve or more who know what part singing is all about. But Christmas ebullience can go far to make up for expertise, and an unconventional combination of instruments would only serve to enhance the flavor. A harp or a harpsichord, of course, would be an extremely happy find. But a flute, a fife, an oboe, a clarinet, a trumpet, a recorder—any or all of these could add brilliance even if they only reinforced the melody. And children might be cued to chime in with jingles, bells and triangles.

A choral program for such a group—made up presumably of more proficient singers—might include four-part arrangements of some of the less familiar folk songs interspersed with old English madrigals, perhaps, or selections from the classical repertory such as Scarlatti's "Alleluia," Tchaikovsky's "A Legend," Rachmaninoff's "Glory to God" or one of the easier-to-sing numbers from Benjamin Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols." Help in selecting music feasible for whatever talent you can round up might be forthcoming from the head of the music department of your local high school or from the music librarian of your library.

Whether your friends are primarily singers or listeners, you will undoubtedly want to have some Christmas choral recordings at hand as an accompaniment for all kinds of holiday festivities. To add variety to your library of familiar stand-bys you might give a hearing to some of the newer releases such as: The Many Moods of Christmas-two cantatas based on traditional Christmas music arranged by Robert Russell Bennett and sung by the Robert Shaw Chorale (RCA Victor LM 2684; LSC 2684); A Ceremony of Carols by Benjamin Britten sung by the Texas Boys Choir (Decca DL 10060; DL 710060); Medieval English Carols and Italian Dances performed by the New York Pro Musica (Decca DL 9418; DL 79418); The Story of Christmas-folk songs from around the world sung by the Roger Wagner Chorale (Capitol T1964; ST1964); Sing Noel-new settings of carols sung by the Elizabethan Singers (London 5809; OS25809); Christmas in the Philippines (Capitol of the World T1305; ST1305).

THE PANTRY THAT MAKES THE PARTY

is specially equipped to cope with every detail

Many a big kitchen bountifully blessed with storage space and all the newest equipment becomes the scene of scurried confusion on the day of a party merely because the planners forgot one very important fact—i.e., cooking and serving are distinct operations, but inevitably their schedules overlap. When food preparation is at its peak is very likely the moment when the dining table must be set; when the last vital touches are being added to the ragout is just the time when the hors d'oeuvres must be heated for serving. All of this was very carefully considered, however, when Valerian Rybar remodeled a complex of service rooms in his New York apartment. Instead of devoting the whole space to kitchen and dining area (see H&G, February,



1963), he reserved a sizable part for a well-organized serving center. The center is in two parts (see plan, below)—a large working pantry and a smaller storage room separated by an open passage from kitchen to dining room. Ranged along one wall of the pantry section are a refrigerator-freezer (reserved for party foods only) by G.E., an automatic ice-cube maker, a dishwasher and a double sink with a goose-neck faucet particularly convenient for filling large pitchers. On the opposite wall is a Black Angus rotisserie for browning canapés, and, built into the counter below it, a two-drawer food warmer that keeps hors d'oeuvres not only hot, but moist or crisp, as desired. On both walls are banks of St. Charles cabinets that store all the

household's china and crystal, along with the silver and linens.

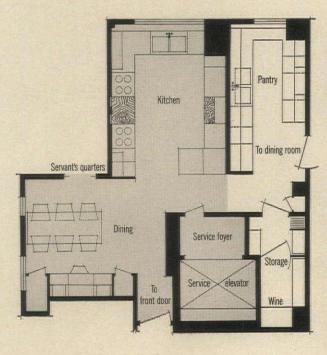
The serving center's storage section, which has a door to close it off, is lined with open shelves stocked with a veritable warehouse of decorative table accessories, centerpiece containers, canapé trays and candlesticks. Another set of shelves is earmarked for liquor storage and adjoining that is a built-in rack for wine.

In these two areas take place all the behind-the-scenes activities for Mr. Rybar's parties—from selecting the china to washing up. For a large party, the pantry becomes a working bar. But whether plans call for a houseful of cocktail guests or a gourmet dinner for eight, the kitchen is blissfully undisturbed by pre-and-post-party clutter.

In the pantry section, OPPOSITE PAGE, crisp white cabinets, sky-blue floor and ceiling and a sunny yellow and white blind repeat the summery colors of the kitchen next door. The small sliding-door cupboard over the sink holds spices and seasonings. For a complete roster of the equipment, see page 190.

In the storage section, RIGHT, a many-faceted wardrobe of table-setting accessories is laid out on open shelves for see-at-a-glance selection. Near the door, see plan, BELOW, is a built-in rack that stores extra leaves for the dining room table.

Kitchen and pantry were planned for division of activities. In remodeling, the old pantry was widened and the new storage room made from a former gloomy corridor.







PHOTOGRAPHS



Louisa and Alexander Calder with their grandson Holton Rower; in the background, a 20-foot mobile finished early in March, 1963

t the Calders'

where they believe it's foolish to buy anything you can make yourself

By Francine du Plessix Grav

The Alexander Calders' house is magical. Its magic comes from the uniqueness of objects chosen and made by two powerful personalities, from the Calders' individualistic and old-fashioned sense of comfort, from the warmth of their proverbial hospitality.

You feel the Calder hospitality the moment you drive up to the black clapboard house near Roxbury, Conn., which has been their American home for over twenty-five years. A hulking, silver-haired, benignly grumbling man, known as Sandy to his friends, dressed in blue jeans and a vermilion flannel shirt, walks out to the driveway in any weather to greet his visitors. He administers hearty embraces to the men, bear-like hugs to the women and a profusion of caresses to the children, whom he is apt to carry rather than escort into his living room. After this affectionate greeting, you are almost overwhelmed by the very particular perfume of the Calder house: the scent of the wood fire burning day-long in the fireplace, the smell of Louisa Calder's freshly baked or still-baking bread and the hot perfume of the jungle of tall plants that line the south window of the whitewashed living room. Hibiscus, begonias, orchids, flowering maples, jasmines, oleanders, camellias, bamboos, orange and rubber trees, some of them 8 or 10 feet tall, are fed daily, like pets.

Many great artists are indifferent to the esthetics of their home, but Calder can not stand living with

a badly designed object. Moreover, he has a strong belief, unusual in our consumer age, that it is foolish to buy anything that one can make oneself. As a result he has filled his house with his own artifacts. He has designed and made every lighting fixture, door latch, fire screen, andiron, ashtray and candleholder in his house, most of its kitchen utensils, many of its chairs and cupboards. He has ingeniously hammered discarded gallon cans of Progresso olive oil into elegant serving trays, has painted the garbage cans in his kitchen with bold designs of red and yellow to "make them gaver." has encased fragile Chinese porcelain cups into jewellike brass holders, has himself stitched an assortment of Colombian horse blankets into a living room rug.

Perhaps the most decorative aspect of the Calders' house is Louisa Calder herself, grandniece of Henry and William James, a beautiful Bostonian with sharp blue eyes and the most melodious voice I know. Louisa Calder, who usually greets you with a grandchild at her feet and knitting or stitching in her lap, is always adorned with a massive jewel made by her husband. It is also the Calders' joint passion for great design that has assembled on the tables and walls of their Calder at work in living room such objects as an African ceremonial his studio. mask, a pre-Colombian statue, a bull's head found in their pasture and a nineteenth-century hay cradle along with their collection of (Continued on page 189)





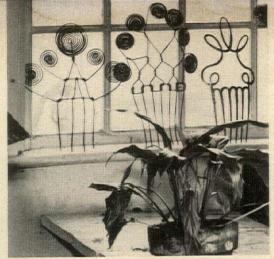
A Miró painting over a small Calder mobile



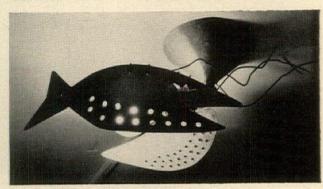
The hearth with Calder's snail-motif andirons

Sculptured bird on pivot of





Giant hair ornaments propped against the window



A metal fish to diffuse light



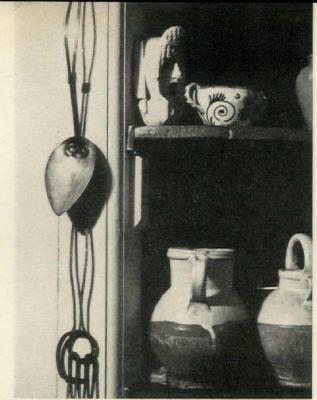
Calder's homemade door latch

AT THE CALDERS' continued

The living room of the Calders' early nineteenthcentury house was once an ice house, served for some years as Mr. Calder's studio. The rough stone around the fireplace is part of the cliff on the side of which the house is built. Bold primary colors dominate the room. Beside the table, opposite page, that Mr. Calder brought from his family's home in Philadelphia is the rug and bench cover stitched by Mrs. Calder from her husband's design: next to an Early American hay cradle is an early Calder painting, a black mobile. The sofa, left, is draped with a woolen blanket from Portugal, a shawl from Colombia. The rattan stools are from Japan. Mr. Calder built the aluminum coffee table that holds his white mobile, fashioned the candleholders from sheets of bent aluminum and the bottoms of discarded beer cans.







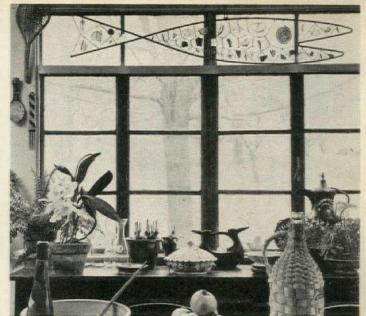
Calder-made silver serving spoon and aluminum fork



Family souvenirs and photographs in passageway to living room

AT THE CALDERS' continued

In their kitchen, the Calders sit, eat and entertain. It is the busiest room in their house. An addict of good design, Calder makes most of his own kitchen utensils because he wants them to be more beautiful than the manufactured variety. By the same token, Mrs. Calder makes her own bread because it tastes better than what she can buy at the store, and there is often a fresh loaf, set on the table with a bottle of wine, to greet the visitor. Calder built the red cupboard out of packing crates, made the kitchen table and stools near the windows and the star-shaped ceiling lamp. The plant in the corner was started ten years ago from a grapefruit seed. The table they brought from France. In the big bowl is a mouthwatering purée of quince from their orchard.



Mobile fish of steel wire and colored glass



Dinner bell made from a broken Mexican wineglass

By the coal stove, grills and strainers by Calder



In the Calders' hospitable kitchen: a French country atmosphere

BRAVURA COLOR COOLLY CONTROLLED

brings traditional furnishings magically up to date

There may be nothing new under the sun, but when we reinterpret the non-new and find fresh new ways to exploit its virtues, it can easily seem as up-to-date as today's headlines. Thus, the contemporary interest in traditional furnishings springs at least in part from the fact that we have developed unhackneyed ways to use them and make them a part of contemporary life. One of the most potent of these techniques is color. To see how it works in Dr. and Mrs. John Murray's house in Greenwich, Conn., is to discover all over again, as if for the first time, how magical color can be.

The Murrays recently bought for themselves and their two young children a house in the French Provincial style. They decided on French Provincial for the furnishings also, not only because that style of design would go with the house, but because they loved its woody warmth and graceful curves. But Mrs. Murray was also prepared, even eager, to venture into the offbeat and the daring. And her husband wanted to preserve the sense of light and space and the simple, uncluttered surfaces that had attracted them to the house in the first place. With interior designer Angelo Donghia of Yale Burge, Inc., they put all their ideas and desires together and brought into being rooms that are vibrantly alive and full of imagination.

Color was the key. Rich, deep hues like those in the boldest contemporary paintings give each room individual flair. In the living room, color is concentrated on the furnishings; in others, on the walls. And in each room, a single pattern, rhythmically reiterated, sets a mood that unifies a diversity of designs and finishes. Most of the furniture is in the country style of Louis XV, but the familiar woody, rural look has been replaced in this setting by the gayer look of painted finishes. Color, pattern and furniture each complement the other. But what helps them achieve maximum effectiveness are the expanses of cool, uncluttered surfaces: unbroken sweeps of wall; big, simple rugs; large borders of dark-stained floor buffed to a soft hand-rubbed luster. All this creates a setting in which antiques bloom as brightly as if they were new inventions.

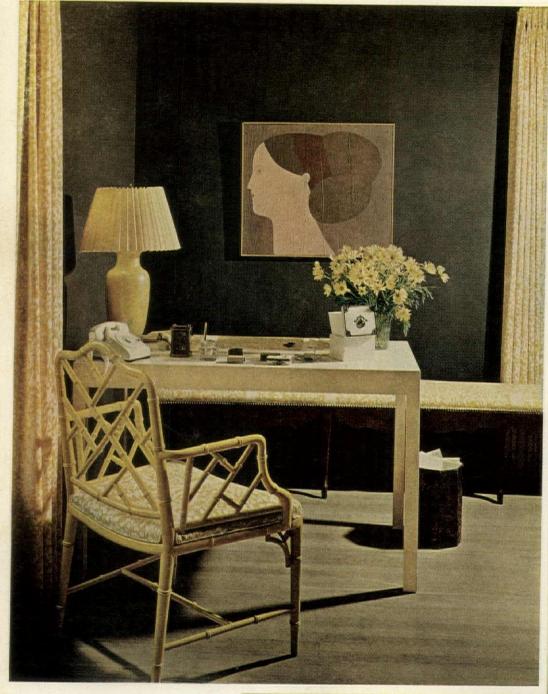


THREE DARK WALLS PLUS ONE WALL OF GLASS

In the library, above and opposite page, walls daringly painted the rich, shadowy red of ancient Chinese lacquer are tempered by cool neutrals: the Roman blinds that frame the lush view, the crewel-embroidered linen upholstery, the pale sisal rug (which in winter is switched for a needlepoint rug in a warm rose pattern). But the unexpected alliance of unrelated elements—dark painted walls, a glass wall, French Provincial furniture, crewel embroidery in the seventeenth-century English style—gives the room an unhackneyed charm. Another inspired combination: the grandfather clock that guards the entrance to the living room has an antique case, an old Parisian face, spanking new works.



DARK WALLS, WHITE WALLS WORK EQUAL MAGIC



n the Murrays' bedroom, above and right, dark brown walls, as unexpected as the dark red walls of the library, create a restful mood, one in harmony with the shadowy woods outside. The yellow and white pattern that dapples the room like sunlight also papers the adjoining dressing room (doors, drawers and all) making it into a charming foyer. Chinese Chippendale bamboo chair and white-lacquered table are Mrs. Murray's work center: papers and typewriter are housed in the Louis XV armoire. Painting is by Greenwich artist, Vin Guiliana.

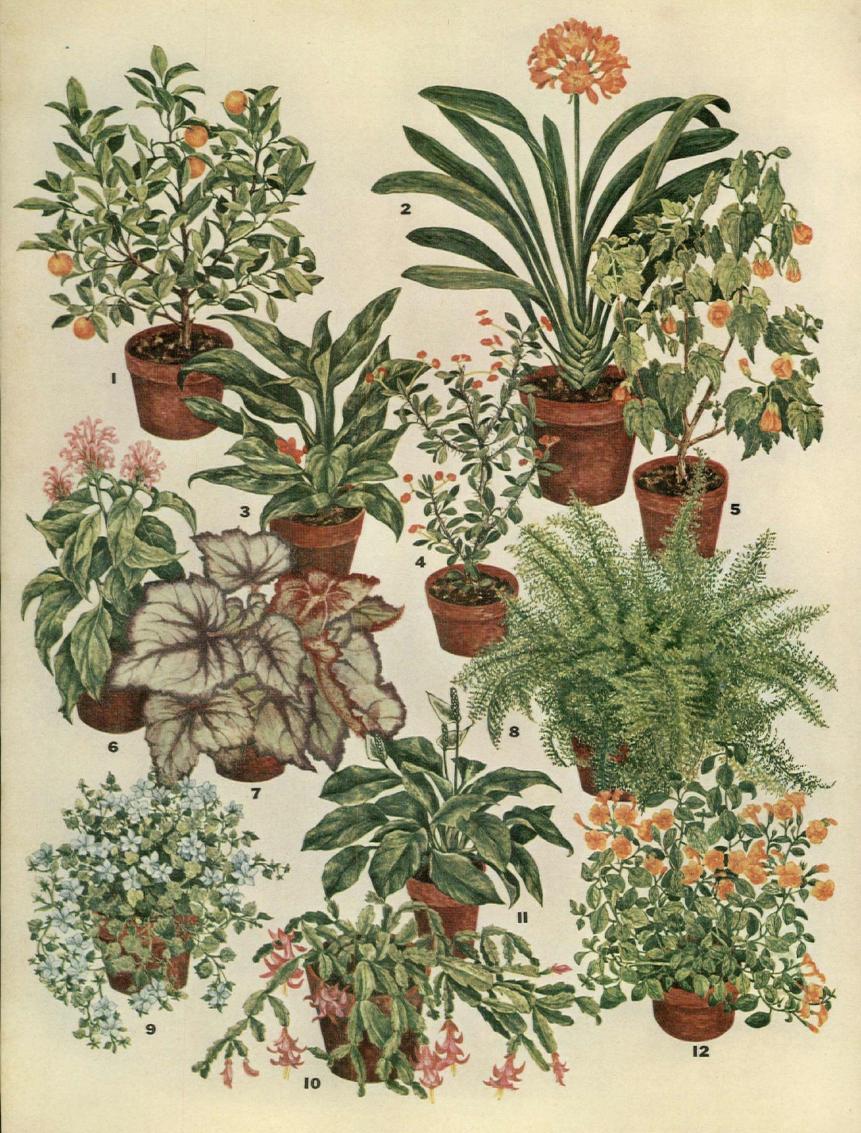






In the living room—in contrast to the other rooms—all the major surfaces are white, making a cool sweep that is uninterrupted even by curtains. Color is concentrated on the furniture, where it glows with jewel-like intensity, reflected and refracted by mirrors on all four walls. The glittery, color-bordered mirror over the large sofa is a rare Venetian find. Opposite that is a solidly mirrored expanse of chimney breast, and a pair of Regency mirrors face each other at the ends of the long room.

The controlled mélange of styles, including Louis XV armchairs (each covered, as the thrifty French used to do, in two different fabrics), a commanding Louis XIII chair, an elegant black and gold writing table and touches of chinoiserie, is an important part of the technique that brings tradition brilliantly up to date.



North, South, East, West

PICTURE YOUR WINTER WINDOWS as frames for the form and color of living plants

Some people try to frame their winter windows with plants. Some people choose to frame winter plants with their windows. We prefer to do the latter. We are mindful that the most precious commodity of any winter window is light - especially sunlight. So we do not propose to try growing sun-demanding plants in a north-facing frame. Nor do we see any special point in wasting shade-tolerant varieties on a southerly exposure. What we have done is to ask James Fanning, a landscape architect with a special affection for fine pot plants, to fill a compass-round assortment of stock window frames with handsome plants both flowering and foliage plants. In this case, the assortment of windows is basic, one facing east, right, three others facing west, north and south respectively (see next two pages). While we include two score plants in the total list, the top twelve, if we must play favorites, are those on the opposite page. They are shown at their peak of performance (of either flower or leaf), a condition they could not possibly maintain the year round in any single window, but could-and would-achieve at some time during any window year. And for one window or four, you choose plants not to fill the frame, but to enhance both window and room with a decorative picture. You will not, of course, need the whole group. And it is interesting to note that one plant (we won't say which) is a key accent in all four window schemes. For descriptions of the plants and notes on their care, turn to page 192.

In leaf and stem as well as flower, color

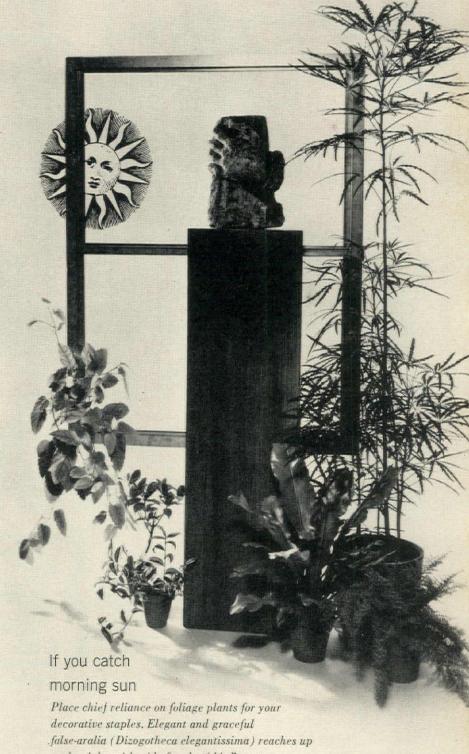
keys good window plants

The twelve plants, OPPOSITE PAGE, are arranged without special regard for preferred orientation and in each case their chief attributes are emphasized. Most of them reappear in one of our four windows:

1. Otaheite orange 2. Clivia miniata

3. Chinese evergreen 4. Crown of thorns 5. Floweringmaple 'Apricot' 6. Jacobinea carnea 7. Rex begonia 'Mikado' 8. Boston fern 'Verona' 9. Campanula isophylla 10. Christmas cactus 'Orchid'

11. Spathiphyllum clevelandii 12. Strepotosolen jamesonii. All these representative varieties are perennial.



at the right, with wide fronds of bird's nest fern and Boston fern around its base. On the other side of the composition are multicolored zebrina pendula and holly-like osmanthus fragrans, a charming shrub with fragrant flower clusters. Kangaroo vine, fastened to the frame, prefers diffused light. For windows with other orientations, turn page.

STAINLESS STEEL SASH: REPUBLIC STEEL CORP. STONE MAYAN SCULPTURE: FRANK CARO

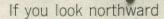
WINTER WINDOWS make ideal plant frames, whichever way they face



When you face west

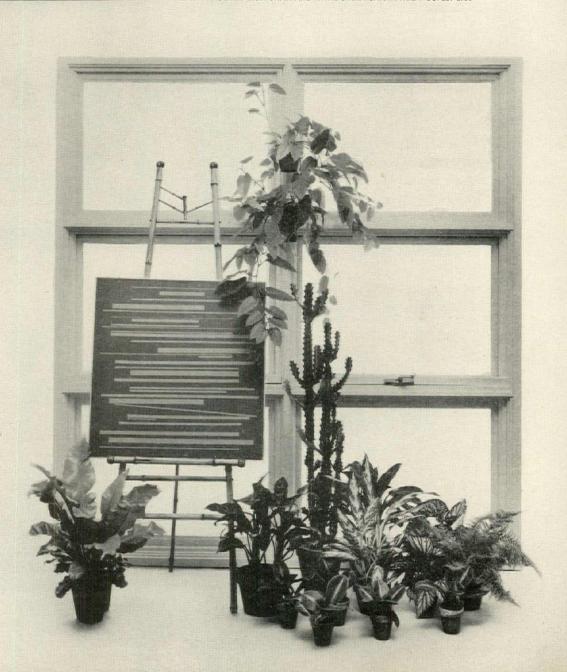
Afternoon sun permits you to grow most of the plants that also take east light. The chief difference lies more in your own morning and afternoon outlook than in the plants. In pots on the casement divider, a pair of Aeschynanthus speciosus, shy kin of the African-violet, have trailing stems, flame orange blossoms. Beneath them are rex begonias. Far left and on sill at right are campanula isophylla and red-flowered fuchsia fulgens. On chair is a fourth rex, and repeaters osmanthus and kangaroo vine.

CASEMENT WINDOW: ANDERSEN CORP. FRENCH WROUGHT-IRON CHAIR AND WHITE CHINA CAT: MAYHEW COPLEY LTD.



Sunless light can give you some of the loveliest foliage greens, but few blossoms worthy of the name. The familiar kangaroo vine hangs from the tall divider. A prickly Euphorbia lactea almost reaches it from the floor. At far left, a glossy bird's nest fern stands alone. Clustered Chinese evergreen (Aglaonema commutatum) and the variegated species, A. pseudobracteatum, are the chief accents among tiny pots of modest but durable Siderasis fuscata, within whose oval leaf cups blue flowers open. A rex begonia and the ubiquitous Boston fern are at far right. In this and the other three window arrangements, placement of the plants is merely a suggestion. With shelves, hooks, trays and chains you could position the pots in any arrangement that suits.

AWNING WINDOW: CURTIS COMPANIES, INC. COLLAGE: FOTIADES BAMBOO EASEL: SERENDIPITY 3



If you have sun all day

In a big, bright bay window there isn't much beyond your horticultural reach. The only risk is that you will try to grow too many plants of too many varieties — achieving color easily enough, but riotously and without repose.

Nowhere is the distinction more apparent between a window obscured by plants and a plant collection framed, as it is here, by a handsome window. The dramatic central accent is the brilliant crown-of-thorns, with its ever present red blossoms. The glistening leaves and white spathes of the inflorescence of Spathiphyllum clevelandii dominate the right half of the sill, while trailing kangaroo vine

(in its fourth appearance) and variegated aglaonema dominate the left. Small pots of dwarf pomegranate stand at the far left, their bright orange flowers surrounded by round calyces. A small siderasis balances the row at the far right. Boston fern spreads its feathers behind the table, while two pots of campanula isophylla perch on the upper window frames. You will find the proper or catalogue names of all these plants—keyed to their window locations—along with suggestions for their care on page 192.

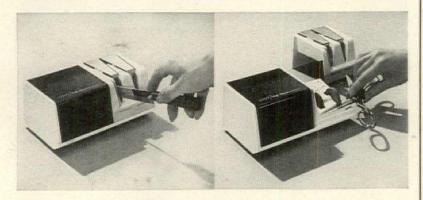
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Why
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to decant
wines

By James A. Beard

decanter is not merely an attractive container for wine-it is a very practical serving accessory. If you are one of the fortunate wine lovers who can serve vintage wines, which are bound to have some sediment, decanting is the way to make certain that no sediment gets into the glasses. The amount of sediment in old wine varies a good deal. In some cases it may be very little, but a truly venerable wine can contain as much as 30 per cent. Decanters are also practical for the wine drinker who buys his wines in large containers-California table wines in gallon jugs, for example -and must transfer them to smaller bottles for dispensing at table.

To decant or not to decant is a question that wine lovers often debate. There are those who would decant most of the time, those who would decant some of the time and those who would never decant. No matter what your stand, you can find a reputable authority to back you. Most great restaurateurs believe firmly in decanting all older wines. But even they agree that anyone arriving for dinner and ordering wine at the last minute should not demand that it be decanted. Nothing is gained by carrying a bottle of old wine up from the cellar and decanting it before the sediment has had time to settle to the bottom. Most fine restaurants will decant a vintage wine for you, however, if you order it a day or so in advance.

Decanting a wine that has thrown sediment must be done with great care. Carry the bottle gently from cellar or closet, jiggling it as little as possible. Stand it upright and let it remain standing for six to eight hours to allow the sediment to settle. Then, holding the bottle very steady, cautiously take out the cork and clean out the neck of the bottle.

Now, light a candle and place it so that it will shine just behind the neck of the bottle as you pour. Grasp the neck of the decanter and hold it tilted at a slight angle to allow the wine to slip into it easily. Hold the wine bottle in a horizontal position with the neck of the bottle meeting the lip of the decanter. You must pour in one continuous motion. If you allow the wine to slosh back into the bottle, it will stir up the sediment.

As you pour, watch the wine flowing into the neck of the bottle. The light of the candle showing through the glass will reveal the slightest cloudiness from sediment. The second that you see the first signs of this, stop pouring.

Some people like to place the bottle on the table next to the decanter so that their guests can see from the label what they are drinking. Other hosts like to display the cork, for in château and propriétaire bottling the name of the wine is burnt into the cork, which then becomes as important an identification as the label. The classic way to display a cork is to tie it around the neck of the decanter. For this purpose, some connoisseurs who collect wine accessories use antique English cork holders-silver pins attached to silver chains.

A handsome decanter is always a decorative addition, of course, to the dining or serving table. Decanters also make excellent gifts, particularly when accompanied by a bottle of wine or cognac, in which case the decanters should be of clear glass. Green or amber decanters are better used for whiskey. You can give the decanter already filled if you like, but be sure—if you fill it with wine—that you attach the cork from the bottle.

If you are buying a new decanter for someone who might like to add more to make a set, choose a design that can be easily matched or that will go well with other types. But if you know someone who collects antique wine accessories, give a beautiful old

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HOUSE & GARDEN'S

Pudding and Pie Cook Book

By James A. Beard

uddings and pies are good old-fashioned fare. Folklore is full of popular old sayings such as: "Promises are like pie crust, made to be broken," and "The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

Although the world's cuisines provide many examples of morsels encased in crust or dough, English cookery has by far the greatest number and variety. And it is from English cuisine that most American puddings and pies derive.

An early definition of the word pudding describes it as "the stomach or entrails of a pig, sheep or other animal stuffed with mincemeat, suct, seasonings, etc., boiled and kept until needed; a kind of sausage." Here we have, of course, the origin of the Scottish haggis, the English mincemeat pie and the plum pudding.

A later definition of pudding calls it a preparation of food of a soft or moderately firm consistency in which the ingredients, animal or vegetable, are either mingled with a farinaceous base or are enclosed in a farinaceous crust and cooked by boiling or steaming.

In today's vernacular, the term pudding includes fresh fruit puddings, puddings made with milk and puddings that are baked.

The old English word pie was originally spelled *pye*. At first, it probably meant *mixture* and may be the same word that is the source of piebald—meaning mottled—and the printer's expression, pied type, or jumbled type.

Most certainly the early pies were mixtures. The old Christmas pie, for example, contained various types of fowl—a goose, chicken, squab—plus fruits and spices. This combination was another forerunner of mincemeat.

Puddings and pies, then, were originally hearty dishes based on meats. Today we tend to think of them as desserts. Yet there are a number of excellent entrées in this category—meat pies, fish pies, cheese puddings and the like that are still very popular. Included in this cook book are a wealth of delectable puddings and pies, both sweet and savory, traditional and up-to-the-minute modern.

Pudding and Pie Doughs

There is an old saying that a light hand makes good pastry. This is very true. The best doughs are blended with the finger tips, and the task must be done evenly with a light touch.

Start then with clean, deft fingers. Make certain that you have a good work area, clean and smooth; marble is ideal. The butter or shortening should be cold for mixing, and you must work rapidly so that the warmth of your fingers will not melt the fat. (One excellent pastry maker always prepares her crust in a cool basement to keep the shortening firm.) If you are uncertain of your dexterity, you can make dough with a rotary electric mixer, using the beater paddle.

Chill pastry before cooking for best results. It can be chilled in a ball and then rolled out; rolled to fit the tin and then chilled; or rolled and fitted into the tin and chilled. A good way to roll pastry is between sheets of wax paper. Keep turning often, and with every turn loosen top paper to prevent it from sticking to the dough and wrinkling.

You may make pastry in large batches and freeze it. First fill your flan rings and tart shells and then freeze the pastry in them. To use, add the filling to the still-frozen shells and bake, allowing a minute or two extra cooking time.

You will note a pastry recipe in this cook book that calls for hard-cooked egg yolk. This makes a shorter, more delicate pastry. When you are working with very short pastry, don't worry if the pastry breaks when you are lining your tins. Just patch it by pressing the edges together with your finger tips. Always be generous with the overlap at the rim of the pie tin, tart shell or flan ring. You need the excess because the pastry will shrink.

When the pastry is to be baked before filling, line it with foil and fill with dry beans or rice a foolproof way of keeping the pie shell in shape. The foil and beans can be used many times over.

Finally, always check pastry as it bakes. Exact cooking times are hard to give. In many cases you must use your own judgment and the knowledge that comes with experience.

There are several kinds of pastry doughs. Some are excellent for flans or tarts; some form the basis for old-fashioned pies; others make good steamed puddings.

Rich Pastry

(for flans and tarts)

2 cups unsifted flour
3 tablespoons sugar
3 hard-cooked egg yolks, mashed
2 raw egg yolks
¾ cup butter, or ½ cup butter plus ¼ cup vegetable shortening, firm but not icy
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
½ teaspoon salt

Put the flour on a marble work top, a table or in a bowl and make a well in the center. Put all the rest of the ingredients in the well. Working quickly with your finger tips, mix the flour with the other ingredients. When the dough is well blended, break off small bits and rub them on the work top with the heel of your hand. This mixes the dough thoroughly. Press the dough together and chill for at least ½ hour before using. Roll it out between two sheets of waxed paper. Roll away

from yourself and then toward yourself; turn the dough, loosen the paper and roll again. Repeat this process until the dough is the size you need.

Cream Cheese Pastry

(for savory pies, quiche, deep-dish fruit pies)

½ pound butter ½ pound cream cheese 2½ cups flour ½ teaspoon salt Heavy cream (optional)

Blend the butter and cream cheese together and mix in the flour and salt with your finger tips. If the pastry needs moistening to make it form a firm ball, add a little heavy cream. Refrigerate before rolling out.

Pâte Brioche

(for fruit tarts and tarte cassonade)

This is not a regular brioche dough, but a pastry dough with leavening.

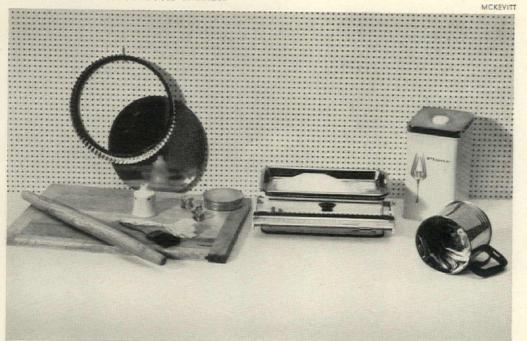
1 package dry yeast 3/4 cup warm water 2 cups flour 1/4 cup sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 egg 1/2 cup butter

Dissolve the yeast in the water. Sift the dry ingredients and combine with the yeast mixture, egg and butter. Stir and beat until well blended and bubbly. Set aside in a fairly warm spot to rise until double in bulk. Punch down and use to line a flan ring or pie tins.



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Right equipment for puddings and pies will help turn out perfect results. Fundamentals: a pastry board, tapered rolling pin, pastry brush of fine hair or goose feathers, scales for weighing hard-tomeasure ingredients such as chopped suct, and of course a flour sifter. Extra embellishments: pie funnel (a little English gadget that holds up top crust and lets steam out during baking), small tin cutters for piecrust decorating and, hanging on the wall, a removable-bottom pie pan that produces a ready-fluted crust.

Suet Pastry

(for sweet or savory boiled suet puddings)

For this pastry, the suet must be chopped exceedingly fine. It is sometimes worked in a mortar and pestle until it is almost powdery.

11/2 cups (6 ounces) loosely packed, very finely chopped suet 3 cups flour

 $\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt Ice mater

Blend the suet well with the flour and salt and moisten with just enough ice water to make a firm dough. You will need about 1/3 cup water. Sprinkle the dough with flour and roll it out on a floured pastry board.

Rough Puff Paste or English **Puff Paste**

(for many meat, poultry and game pies)

This dough is not as delicate as feuilletage (French puff pastry), but it is exceedingly good.

21/4 cups flour 1/4 teaspoon salt 34 cup lard or butter Dash lemon juice Ice water

Sift the flour and salt and add the lard or butter, cut into pieces the size of large cherries. Mix and blend well. Make a well in the center and add the lemon juice and just enough ice water to make an elastic dough. Press into a ball and chill for 15

Place on a floured board and roll into a long strip. Fold away from yourself into three folds. Seal the edges with the rolling pin and turn the pastry halfway around so that the folded edges are to your right and left. Roll again and fold. Chill for 15 minutes. Repeat the process and chill another 15 minutes. Then repeat once more and chill the dough until needed.

Pâte Sablée I

(for fruit flans, tarts or for lining barquette tins)

34 cup butter

1/3 cup sugar

1 egg

2 cups flour

1/2 teaspoon salt

Cream the butter and sugar and add the egg. Blend well. Sift the flour and salt and gradually blend into the sugar-butter mixture. If the paste is too stiff, add a little ice water, but this is seldom necessary. The pastry should be the consistency of a good cookie dough. Mold into a flan ring or pan, or roll out and fit into the pan. Chill. Bake in a 375° oven for about 20 minutes. Cool before filling.

Pâte Sablée II

1/2 cup butter 1/2 cup sugar 1 egg

1 cup flour

1/4 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt

Cream the butter and sugar, add the egg and blend well. Sift the flour, baking powder and salt and gradually add to the sugar-butter mixture. Form into a ball and chill before rolling or fitting into a pan or flan ring. Bake in a 375° oven for about 20 minutes, or until slightly brown. Cool.

Pâte à Foncer (Short Pastry)

2 cups flour 3/4 cup butter or lard 1 egg 1/2 teaspoon salt

Sift the flour onto a pastry board or work table and make a well in the center. Put the butter, egg and salt in the well. Working quickly with your finger tips, blend the pastry into a ball. Wrap it in waxed paper and chill for 11/2-2 hours.

Savory Pies and Puddings

Clam Pie

1 carrot, cut in thin julienne strips

1 onion, cut in thin julienne strips

1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

2 cups white wine

2 quarts clams in shell, well scrubbed

2 cups sauce velouté

1 pound mushrooms

5 tablespoons butter

Salt, pepper

3 tablespoons sherry or Madeira

1 recipe rough puff paste (see Doughs, left)

1 egg, beaten with a little water

Combine the carrot, onion, bay leaf, 1 teaspoon pepper and white wine in a large kettle. Add the clams. Cover and steam over medium heat until the clam shells open. Remove the clams from the shells and strain the broth through a linen cloth. Using some of the clam broth for liquid, make sauce velouté.

Slice the mushrooms and sauté in the butter. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Mix the mushrooms and clams with the sauce and flavor with sherry or Madeira. Taste for seasoning. Pour into a baking dish or pie dish and cool. Place a support in the center of the dish to hold up the crust and top the pie with rolled out puff paste. Brush with egg mixture and bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 350° and continue baking until the crust is nicely browned. With this pie, drink ice cold beer or a well-chilled white wine such as Liebfraumilch, Serves 6-8.

Chicken Leg Pie

6-8 chicken legs and thighs, according to the size of the pieces

Flour

6 tablespoons butter

4 slices bacon, cut in small pieces

2 onions, finely chopped

1 clove garlic, crushed

1 bay leaf, crumbled

1 teaspoon thyme, or 1/2 teaspoon each:

thyme and rosemary

Salt, pepper

1/2 pound mushrooms, sliced

1 cup white wine

4 hard-cooked eggs

Rich pastry (see Doughs)

1 egg yolk beaten with 1 tablespoon cream

Flour the chicken pieces lightly and brown them in the butter. When they are nicely browned on all sides, add the bacon, onion, garlic and herbs and season to taste with salt and pepper. Add the mushrooms and wine and cover the pan. Simmer for 45 minutes, adding a little more wine if it cooks down too much.

Cool and remove the chicken pieces to a pie dish. Add the halved eggs and pour the sauce over all. Top with a crust of the rolled out pastry. Cut a small vent in the top and insert a paper cornucopia. Brush the pastry with the egg mixture. Bake in a 375° oven for 25-30 minutes, or until the crust is brown and the chicken heated. Serves 6-8.

With the pie, serve crisply sautéed potatoes and a salad and drink a light Fleurie.



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Salt, pepper

Beef fat

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2-3 veal kidneys

2 tablespoons flour

12-14 mushrooms

2 onions, sliced

2 cloves garlic, minced

1 teaspoon thyme

1/2 teaspoon rosemary

1 bay leaf crumbled

11/2 cans beef gravy or an equal amount

of brown sauce

12-14 oysters Stock

Rough puff paste or cream cheese pastry (see Doughs)

1 egg, beaten with a little water

Dust the beef cubes well with seasoned flour. Melt the beef fat and sauté the chopped shallots. Add the beef cubes and brown on all sides. Place a support—an inverted glass or measuring cup—in the center of your baking dish to hold up the center of the crust. As the beef cubes brown, transfer them to the baking dish. Add the sautéed shallots. Rinse the pan with a little cognac and pour the juices over the meat in the baking dish.

Slice the kidneys rather thin, dust with flour and add to the baking dish. Add the next eight ingredients and enough stock to fill the dish % full. Top with chilled, rolled crust, sealing it to the edge of the dish with cold water. Crimp with your fingers. Brush with egg mixture. You may decorate the top of the crust with rosettes and leaves cut from the pastry. Stick them on with a little water. Bake the pie in a 325° oven for 1½-2 hours, or until the meat is thoroughly tender. If the crust browns too quickly, put a piece of brown paper over it. Remove the pie from the oven and let it stand for 10 minutes before serving.

With the pie, serve parsley potatoes and a well-flavored cole slaw. Drink a good beer or English cider. Serves 6-8.

Pork and Apple Pie

This is first cousin to the famed Melton Mowbray pork pies of England. The Melton pies were baked in a seamless raised crust and called for the deft hand of the master baker, but the local housewives made this excellent simpler version with the same seasonings and far less trouble.

4 pounds (about) lean pork, finely chopped
4-5 apples, peeled, cored and thinly sliced
2 medium onions, finely chopped
1 teaspoon sage
Salt, pepper
Stock or bouillon
Mashed potatoes
Melted butter

Arrange alternate layers of pork and apples in a deep baking dish. Sprinkle each layer with a little chopped onion, sage and salt and pepper to taste. Moisten with a little stock or bouillon. Cover with a thick mashed-potato crust and brush well with melted butter. Bake in a 325° oven for 1½-2 hours, or until the pork is thoroughly cooked. Serve with crisp bread, pickled walnuts and beer. Serves 6-8.

Tuna Tart

Rough puff paste or cream cheese pastry (see Doughs) 7-ounce can white-meat tuna

½ pound shrimp, cooked and shelled

% cup tiny green olives or anchovy-stuffed cocktail olives

1/4 cup heavy cream

1 teaspoon paprika

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

1/4 teaspoon Tabasco

2 cups rich béchamel sauce

Line an 8" tart mold that has a removable bottom with pastry, rolled a little thicker than usual. Place a piece of foil over the pastry and weight down by filling with dry beans. Bake in a 400° oven for 15–20 minutes, or until the shell is nicely browned and done. Remove from oven and take out the beans and foil. Keep tart shell warm until ready to use.

Flake the tuna quite fine. Cut the shrimp

into rather small pieces, reserving a few whole shrimp for garnish. Mix the seafood with the olives, reserving a few for garnish. Add the cream and seasonings and enough hot béchamel sauce to fill the shell. Heat to the boiling point. Fill the shell with the mixture and decorate with whole shrimp and olives. Serve the remaining béchamel sauce separately. Serves 6–8.

Cannelon of Beef

This is apparently an early American version of canneloni.

Cream cheese pastry or rich pastry (see Doughs)
2 cups ground leftover beef
½ cup ground ham
1 medium onion, finely chopped
Grated rind of 1 lemon
¼ teaspoon Tabasco
1 tablespoon chili powder
Salt to taste
2 eggs, slightly beaten
½-¾ cup brown sauce (canned beef gravy

may be used)

1 egg beaten with a little water

Roll the pastry out in a rectangle or square, reserving a strip about 3" by 6". Blend the ground meats, onion, lemon rind and seasonings and work to a moist paste with the 2 beaten eggs and a little brown sauce. Place the mixture in the center of the dough and roll up. Secure the ends of the roll with strips of pastry pinched on to seal in the meats and juices.

Place the roll on a buttered baking sheet and brush with beaten egg. Bake in a 375° oven until the crust is golden brown. Serve hot with a mushroom sauce, or serve cold plain. Serves 6-8.

Pheasant Pie

1 or 2 hen pheasants, depending on size 1/4 pound butter Salt, pepper 1 bay leaf, crumbled 1/2 teaspoon thyme 1/2 teaspoon quatre-épices or Spice Islands Spice Parisienne 11/2 tablespoons flour 1 cup white wine 12 small white onions, peeled 1 or 2 slices Virginia ham (about 1/2 pound), cut in cubes 1/4 pound mushrooms, sautéed in butter 1/4 cup chopped parsley Rich pastry or rough puff paste (see Doughs) 1 egg yolk beaten with 1 tablespoon cream

Cut the bird or birds into serving pieces. Flour them lightly and brown in the butter. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Add the bay leaf, thyme and quatre-épices. Sprinkle with a little flour and blend well. Add the white wine and onions. Bring to a boil, lower the heat and cover the pan. Simmer for 35–45 minutes, or until the pheasant is tender. Cool slightly and transfer to a pie dish. Add the ham, mushrooms and parsley and top with the pastry dough. Cut a vent in the top and insert a small cornucopia of paper. Brush with the egg mixture. Bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 350° and bake another 10 minutes, or until the crust is nicely browned.

Serve with a barley casserole and puréed artichokes dressed with butter. Drink a good Burgundy, such as a Vosne Romanée. Serves 6-8.

Traditional molds and dishes

Charlotte (1) and savarin (3) molds are for baked desserts; pâté en croûte mold with hinged, removable sides (2) forms a pastry-encased pie. Covered melon mold (4), trio of English pudding basins (5), white china mold (6) and lidded, fluted mold (10) are jor steamed puddings. French baking dish with rabbit's head design (7) is made of pottery that simulates pie crust. Another version (8) sports a snipe's head, while a pudding dish of the same crusty-brown pottery (9) pretends to be no other than it is.



Sweet Puddings

Steamed Fresh Fruit Pudding

2 cups flour

4 teaspoons baking powder

2 tablespoons sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt

4 tablespoons butter

Cream

Fruits or berries of choice

Sugar, butter

Put the dry ingredients in a bowl and cut the butter into them. Add enough cream to make a delicate soft dough-about 1 cup. Roll and pat the dough out on a floured board and top with sliced apples or whole pitted cherries or sliced peaches. Other fruits may be used. Blackberries are good, and the wild huckleberry of the Pacific Northwest makes a delicious pudding. Sprinkle the fruit with sugar to taste and dot with butter. Roll up the pudding and fit it into a buttered mold. Cover tightly and steam for 13/4 hours. Serve with hard sauce, custard sauce or sweetened whipped cream flavored with cognac. Serves 6.

Ginger Pudding

1/2 cup butter 34 cup sugar 1 egg, slightly beaten 21/2 cups flour 3 teaspoons baking powder Pinch of salt 1 teaspoon ground ginger 3 tablespoons finely chopped candied ginger 1 cup milk

Cream the butter and sugar and when smooth, add the beaten egg. Sift the dry ingredients and mix I tablespoon with the chopped candied ginger. Add the rest to the butter mixture a bit at a time, alternating with the milk. When the dough is well mixed, add the candied ginger. Pour into a buttered 11/2-quart mold and cover tightly. Steam for 2 hours. Serve with whipped cream. Serves 6.

Blueberry Orange Pudding

3 tablespoons butter 2/3 cup tightly packed brown sugar Dash vanilla 2 cups blueberries (frozen may be used) 1/3 cup butter 1/2 cun sugar 1 slightly beaten egg 1 cup flour 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon baking powder 1 teaspoon grated orange peel 1/2 cup orange juice Grand Marnier, whipped cream

Melt the 3 tablespoons butter and stir in the brown sugar. Add a dash of vanilla and the blueberries and simmer for 8-10 minutes. Pour into a charlotte mold or pudding dish.

Cream the 1/3 cup butter and 1/2 cup sugar and add the egg. Sift the flour, salt and baking powder and add the orange peel. Add the dry ingredients to the butter and sugar alternately with the orange juice and a little Grand Marnier. Spoon over the blueberries and bake in a 350° oven for about 45 minutes. Serve with whipped cream flavored with Grand Marnier. Serves 6.

Superb English Plum Pudding

This pudding is really best when made a year in advance and allowed to mellow. It was customary to make it early in Advent-the religious season before Christmas-and use it the following year. Everyone in the family was supposed to stir the pudding once for good luck. If you can't make it the year before, at least give it a few weeks to age.

FRUIT MIXTURE: (make this 4 days ahead) 1 pound seedless raisins 1 pound sultana raisins 1/2 pound currants 1 cup thinly sliced citron 1 cup chopped candied peel 1 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon mace

1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

1/4 teaspoon ground cloves

1/4 teaspoon allspice

1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper 1 pound finely chopped suet-powdery fine

11/4 cups cognac

Blend the fruits, citron, peel, spices and suet and place in a bowl or jar. Add 1/4 cup cognac, cover tightly and refrigerate for 4 days, adding 1/4 cup cognac each day.

Cognac

11/4 pounds (approximately) fresh bread crumbs 1 cup scalded milk 1 cup sherry or port 12 eggs, well beaten 1 cup sugar 1 teaspoon salt

Soak the bread crumbs in milk and sherry or port. Combine with the well-beaten eggs and sugar. Blend with the fruit mixture. Add salt and mix thoroughly. Put the pudding in buttered bowls or tins, filling them about 3/3 full. Cover with foil and tie it firmly. Steam for 6-7 hours. Uncover and place in a 250° oven for 30 minutes. Add a dash of cognac to each pudding, cover with foil and keep in a cool place.

To use, steam again for 2-3 hours and unmold. Sprinkle with sugar; add heated cognac. Ignite and bring to the table. Serve with hard sauce or cognac sauce. Each pudding serves 12.

Delicious Bread-and-Butter Pudding

Softened butter, about 1 cup 8-9 thickish slices bread (homemade is best) I cup raisins soaked in cognac or sherry for 30 minutes 4 eggs 1/2 cup sugar Pinch salt 1 quart half and half 1 teaspoon vanilla

Butter a 21/2-quart pudding dish or soufflé dish. Trim the crusts from the bread and butter the slices well. Arrange them in the dish, buttered side down, in layers. Sprinkle each layer with some of the raisins. Beat the eggs lightly and add the sugar, salt, half and half and vanilla. Pour through a strainer over the bread and let stand for 30 minutes. Cover with foil and bake in a 350° oven for 35 minutes. Remove the foil and continue baking until the pudding is lightly browned and set. This will take about 30-35 minutes. Serve warm with cream. Serves 8.

Fig Pudding

11/2 cups finely chopped beef suet 1/2 pound finely chopped dried figs 21/2 cups bread crumbs 1/2 cup milk 1 cup sugar Pinch salt 2 eggs, well beaten

The suet must be very fine. Knead it with your fingers until it is powdery. Work in the chopped figs. Soak the crumbs in milk and add the sugar, salt and eggs. Combine with the suet and figs and pour into a well-buttered 2-quart mold. Cover tightly and steam for 3 hours. Serve with hard sauce or cognac sauce. Serves 6-8.

Spotted Dog or Spotted Dick

This old-fashioned pudding was often served for dessert in English boarding schools and no doubt received its colorful name from the schoolboys.

1 cup (6-8 ounces) tightly packed chopped suct 1 cup corn syrup or molasses or English golden syrup 11/2 cups sultana raisins 11/2 cups bread crumbs 3 eggs, well beaten 11/2 cups flour 2 teaspoons baking powder 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 cup milk

Crumble the chopped suet with your fingers and combine with the syrup and raisins. Add the crumbs and eggs. Sift the flour, baking powder and salt, and add to the suet mixture alternately with the milk. Pour into a buttered mold and cover tightly. Steam for 3 hours. Serve with vanilla sauce or hard sauce. Serves 6-8.

Old-Fashioned Indian Pudding

1 quart scalded milk 1/3 cup yellow corn meal Pinch of salt 1/2 cup molasses 1 good teaspoon ginger

Put the scalded milk and corn meal in the top of a double boiler over boiling water. Add the salt and cook, stirring frequently, for about 20 minutes. Mix with the molasses and ginger and pour into a buttered 2-quart soufflé dish or baking dish. Bake in a 300° oven for about 2 hours. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream. Serves 6.

Savarin with Fruits

1/2 cup warm water 2 packages or cakes yeast 21/2 cups unsifted flour 4 eggs, slightly beaten 1 tablespoon sugar 1/2 tablespoon salt 3 cup softened butter Cognac syrup (see directions) Fresh fruits, sugared and flavored with cognac

Put the warm water into a small bowl and sprinkle or crumble the yeast into it. Stir until dissolved. Combine with the flour and eggs and beat for 2 minutes. Add the sugar, salt and softened butter and mix until the dough is quite elastic. Cover and let rise until double in bulk. Beat for

1 minute more and pour into a well-buttered 3quart ring mold. Let rise again.

Bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 350° and continue baking until just brown and cooked through.

Remove from the oven and unmold on a platter. Spoon warm cognac syrup over the savarin and let it cool. (For cognac syrup, cook 1½ cups sugar and 2 cups water for 15 minutes. Add ½ cup cognac and blend.) Fill the center of the ring with any selection of fresh fruits, sugared and flavored with cognac. Garnish with sweetened whipped cream and serve. Serves 8–10.

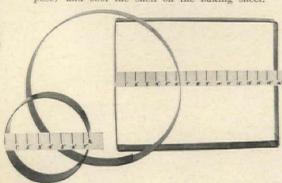
Note: Instead of cognac syrup, you may cover the savarin with apricot glaze before adding the fruits.

Sweet Pies, Tarts and Flans

Flan rings are available in shops that specialize in equipment for the serious cook. They can be round, square or oblong. The standard oblong ring is about 12" by 4". Round rings vary from 4" to 12" in diameter. Square rings come from 6" to 12" in size. One New York shop sells an expandable flan ring—a most practical utensil.

To make a flan shell, set the ring on a baking sheet. Roll out the dough to fit the ring and carefully lift it into the ring so that the dough falls to the bottom, trying not to break it too much. Then, with the sides of your hands, press it in. Run the rolling pin across the top rim to give an edge to the dough and to cut off any excess. (See illustrations on next page.)

If you plan to fill the flan with pastry cream and fruit or just with fruit, you must bake the shell first. Cover the dough with a piece of foil and fit it in loosely. Fill it with dry beans and bake in a 425° oven for 10–15 minutes, or until the shell is just baked and delicately browned. Remove the beans and foil (you can save the beans and use them over again for the same purpose) and cool the shell on the baking sheet.



Expandable flan forms from France make it possible to bake flan shells of varying sizes with one piece of equipment. Sliding metal bands pull apart to stretch the ring from a minimum 7½" to a generous 14", the rectangle from 16" by 12" for a small oven to 30½" by 22½" or any size in between, to fit extra-large or hotel-type ovens.

Fillings for Flan Shells

- Fill with pastry cream (see Crème Patissière). When the cream is set, cover with ripe strawberries or raspberries and glaze with melted currant jelly.
- 2. Omit the pastry cream and simply pile high with berries and glaze.
- Fill with poached peaches or apricots and cover with a raspberry or apricot glaze.
- 4. Melt a 6-ounce package of semi-sweet chocolate bits and combine with 1/4 cup finely

chopped filberts or walnuts. Spread on the hottom of the flan ring. Cover with poached pear halves and top with an apricot glaze.

5. Fill flan rings with split seeded grapes, alternating black grapes with green, or purple grapes with red. Brush with currant glaze and serve with whipped cream.

Glazes for Flans

Currant glaze: Melt a 1-pound jar of currant jelly over medium heat and boil down for one minute. Brush over fruits and chill to set.

Apricot glaze: Melt a 1-pound jar of apricot jam and bring to a boil. Add 2 tablespoons of cognac and boil down for 2 minutes.

Raspberry glaze: Melt a 1-pound jar of raspberry preserves. Bring to a boil and stir in 2 tablespoons of crème de cassis. Strain.

Crème Patissière (Pastry Cream)

FOR 2 FLANS:

1 quart milk

1 teaspoon vanilla

3/4 cup flour

1 teaspoon cornstarch

1 cup sugar

8 egg yolks

Scald milk and vanilla. In a heavy pan, mix the flour, cornstarch, sugar and egg yolks. Place over low heat and gradually stir in the milk. Increase the heat and continue stirring until the mixture is thick and smooth. Cool before pouring or spooning into the flan rings.

You may add cognac or other brandies to the cream for flavoring, if you wish. Kirsch, Framboise and Mirabelle are delicious with berries; pear brandy, with pears and apples.

Apple and Mincemeat Flan

Line a 12" oblong flan ring or a 10" round ring with rich pastry dough (see Doughs). Chill thoroughly. Cover the bottom with well-flavored brandied mincemeat. Top the mincemeat with thin slices of cooking apples arranged in a neat pattern. Sprinkle with granulated sugar. Bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 350° and continue baking for 30–40 minutes, or until the apples are tender. Cool and glaze with apricot glaze. Serve with cognac-flavored whipped cream. Serves 8.

Apple Flan

5 tablespoons butter

 $4\hbox{--}6\ cooking\ apples, peeled, cored\ and\ cut\ into}$

sixths

1 teaspoon vanilla

Sugar to taste

Rich pastry (see Doughs)
2-3 apples, peeled, cored and cut into thin slices

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Apricot glaze

Melt butter in a heavy skillet and add the apples. Cover and steam over medium heat until the apples are just breakable. They must not be soft and mushy. Add vanilla and sugar to taste and blend. Line flan ring with rich pastry dough. Spoon the apples into the flan ring and press them down smoothly. Top with the thin apple slices arranged in a neat pattern. Sprinkle with sugar and dot with butter.

Bake in a 450° oven for ten minutes. Reduce the heat to 350° and continue baking for 30-40 minutes, or until the apples are tender and the crust is brown. Cool and glaze with apricot glaze. Serve with sweetened whipped cream. Serves 8.

Clafoutis of Prunes

1 pound pitted prunes

1 cup sultana raisins

Sherry or port

3 eggs

6 tablespoons sugar

1/4 teaspoon salt

3 tablespoons flour sifted with $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon

baking powder

3 cups milk

1/4 cup cognac (optional)

Soak the prunes and raisins in sherry or port for 8 hours.

Beat the eggs well and add the sugar, salt and flour-baking-powder mixture. Blend with the milk and flavor with some of the wine in which the fruits have soaked, or with cognac. Arrange the fruit in a buttered 10" baking dish and top with the batter. Bake in a 375° oven for 30–35 minutes, or until set. Serves 8.

Italian Fruit Tart

DASTDY.

2 cups sifted flour (measure, sift and measure again)

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 cup butter

Pinch salt

1 egg

Combine all ingredients and work them together deftly with your finger tips to make a smooth dough. Roll the dough into a ball and chill it for at least 1 hour. Roll the dough out on a floured board and then fit it into a buttered and floured 9" pie tin.

FILLING:

2 pounds pitted bing cherries, fresh blueberries or pitted primes

3 eggs

½ teaspoon vanilla

1/2 cup sugar

2 tablespoons flour

2 tablespoons sherry or port

Arrange the fruit in the pie shell. Blend all the rest of the ingredients thoroughly and pour over the fruit. Sprinkle with a little additional sugar and bake in a 400° oven for about 40 minutes, or until the fruit is cooked and the cream set. Serve warm, Serves 8.

Raisin Pie

3 egg yolks

1 cup buttermilk

1 tablespoon vinegar

3/4 cup sugar

2 tablespoons flour

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon grated orange rind

1 tablespoon grated lemon rind

2½-3 cups sultana raisins plumped in hot water flavored with lemon juice

Rich pastry for 2-crust pie

1 egg beaten with a little water

Beat the egg yolks and beat in the buttermilk and vinegar. Add the sugar, flour, salt and grated rinds and mix well. Drain the raisins and add to the mixture.

Line a 9" pan with pastry and add the filling. Top with crust and cut a vent. Brush with beaten egg. Bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 350° and continue baking until the crust is nicely browned. Serve while still warm. Serves 8.

Homemade Mincemeat

3 pounds lean beef-shin or chuck-boiled until

1 small fresh tongue, boiled until tender

I pound finely chopped beef suet

2 pounds seedless raisins

2 pounds seeded raisins

1 pound currants

1/2 pound shaved citron

1/4 pound each: chopped lemon peel and orange peel

2 teaspoons salt

2 teaspoons each: cinnamon, nutmeg, allspice

1 teaspoon mace

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

Cognac

Sherry

Chop or grind the meats and combine with all the other ingredients, except cognac and sherry, in a large crock. Add enough cognac to make a moist mixture. Then add 2 cups sherry and mix well with your hands. Cover the crock tightly and let the mincemeat stand for a month. Add more cognac or sherry to moisten and pack into jars or keep in the crock. If you add cognac and sherry occasionally, the mixture will keep for a year or more.

Mince Pie

Double or triple recipe for rough puff paste or rich pastry (see Doughs) Homemade mincemeat (see above) Apples, chopped Cognac 2 eggs beaten with a little water

Roll out the pastry to fit a large 10"-12" pan and a 9" pan. Line the pans. Fill with mincemeat blended with a little chopped apple. Add 1/4 cup cognac-or more-to each pie. Roll out top crusts to fit and lap over about 1/2". Tuck the top crusts over the edges of the bottom crusts and seal well. For decorative pies, cut some leaves or rosettes of pastry and stick them to the top crusts with a little water or egg white. Bake in a 450° oven for 15-18 minutes. Reduce the heat to 350°, brush the pies with egg mixture and continue cooking them until the

crusts are a golden brown. Serves 16.

Serve hot with whipped cream, hard sauce or cheese-either cheddar or Roquefort.

Chess Pie

For some reason this delicious sweet is almost unknown today.

1/2 cup butter

1 cup sugar

3 egg yolks

1 teaspoon grated lemon rind

1 teaspoon grated orange rind

1/4 teaspoon salt

2 tablespoons lemon juice

9" pastry shell, uncooked, or 6 individual tart shells, uncooked

Cream the butter and sugar and add the egg yolks one at a time. Beat thoroughly after each addition. Blend in the grated rinds, the salt and the lemon juice. Fill the pie or tart shells and bake in a 350° oven for 25-30 minutes. Serves 6. Note: Chess pies are really best made as individual tarts.

Tart of Les Demoiselles Tatin

4 tablespoons butter 1 cun sugar 12-14 green apples Butter Rich pastry (see Doughs) 1 egg beaten with a little water or cream

Blend the 4 tablespoons butter and ½ cup of the sugar in a heavy pie tin and cook over medium heat until the mixture is thick, syrupy and lightly browned. Slice the peeled apples. Arrange them on top of the butter-sugar syrup in layers. Dot each layer with butter and sprinkle with a little sugar. Build the apple slices up in the center to come above the rim of the pan. Cover with rich pastry rolled 1/3" thick. Brush with egg. Bake in a 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 375° and continue cooking until the apples are soft and the crust cooked through.

Let the tart cool slightly and then carefully invert it onto a serving plate. The apples should have caramelized with the sugar-butter mixture, making a delicate brown top for the tart. Serve warm or cold with cream. Serves 8.

Chocolate Pecan Pie

CRUST:

I tablespoon softened butter 3/4 cup finely chopped pecans

Butter an 8" pie tin with the softened butter and press in the chopped nuts.

FILLING:

1/2 cup dark corn syrup

2 eggs, slightly beaten

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup semi-sweet chocolate bits

1/2 cup coarsely broken pecans

Combine the syrup, eggs, salt and vanilla and beat well. Melt the chocolate bits over hot water and add them slowly to the syrup mixture, stirring constantly. Pour into the pie shell and sprinkle with coarsely broken pecans. Bake in a 350° oven for 25-30 minutes. Serve with vanilla-flavored whipped cream. Serves 8.

Rich Pumpkin Pie

Pastry for 9" pie

2 cups cooked puréed pumpkin

1 cup brown sugar

6 eggs, lightly beaten

2 cups cream

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

1/2 teaspoon mace

1/2 cup cognac

4 tablespoons finely chopped candied ginger

Line a 9" pie tin with pastry and place foil on top. Fill with dry beans and bake in a 400° oven for 10 minutes. Remove the beans and foil.

Combine the pumpkin with the sugar, eggs, cream, seasonings and cognac and blend well. Pour through a strainer into the pie shell. Sprinkle with chopped candied ginger and bake in a 375° oven for 30-35 minutes, or until the pumpkin is set. Serve slightly warm with cheese or whipped cream, or both. Serves 8.

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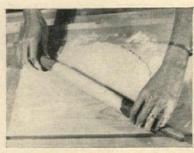
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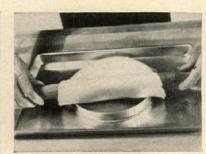
1. Roll out dough. Turn it a little after each rolling to keep even circle.



2. Roll until dough will cover flan ring. Hold ring on dough to check size.



3. Working toward you, carefully roll up dough from board onto rolling pin.



4. Lift and gently unroll dough away from you over ring on baking sheet.



5. Carefully press the dough snugly against sides and bottom of flan ring.



6. Run the rolling pin over the rim of 7. Crimp dough edge to make fluted flan ring to remove any excess dough. rim; prick bottom of pastry with fork.





8. Cut circle of foil to fit flan shell; weight with rice to keep pastry flat.



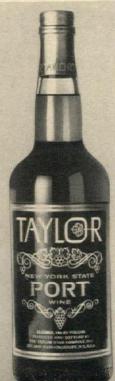
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decanter complete with a silver chain and label. A true antique collector will not be concerned about whether his decanters match; he may even deliberately seek a wide range of styles.

The earliest decanters probably evolved from the green bottles used for shipping wines and for drawing wines and brandies from casks in English inns and pubs. These bottles were usually square so they could be easily packed for shipping, and they came in a soft bottle green. They were blown of flint glass, and the cooling process often left the surfaces concave and the bottles slightly irregular in shape. The necks were very short and the corks or stoppers very small.

Later, the bottles were made from gunmetal molds which gave the surface of the glass a dappled texture. Such bottles were used not only for wines and brandies, but also for other precious liquids, such as scents and medicines.

You can still find some of these square green bottles in antique shops here and in England. Often they come at bargain prices, because many people think they are merely old medicine bottles,

Williamsburg green glass vodka. \$7.50. By Blenko.

decanter for whiskey, gin,

and do not realize their true age and charm. They make a fine addition to a collection of decanters, and although they should not be used for wines and cognacs, they are attractive containers for whiskies, gins and vodkas.

Occasionally you may come across crude but interesting examples of early American decanters. They are irregular in shape and usually quite dirty. But when cleaned up and polished, they can be very appealing as decorative accessories.

In the eighteenth century, decanters became quite elegant and were important additions to every well-appointed dining room, in the Colonies as well as in England. They were filled from wine or brandy casks in the cellar, then brought to the dining room and placed in large wine chests or coolers, which might hold as many as six or seven decanters. You will find some decanters of Colonial design among the Williamsburg reproductions.

In the southern Colonies, slaves were usually entrusted with replenishing the decanters, and since they could not read, the bottle stoppers were made in different

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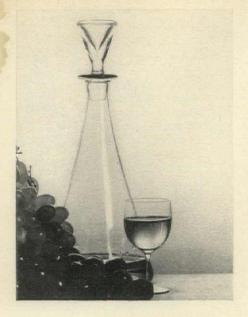
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Toward the latter part of the eighteenth century, it became the fashion to have sets or groups of square decanters fitted into cases of fine wood equipped with locks and keys. These were known as gardevins since they guarded the wine, making it impossible for anyone to deplete the host's supply without his knowledge. The cases held two, three, four or even six decanters. Often the bottles

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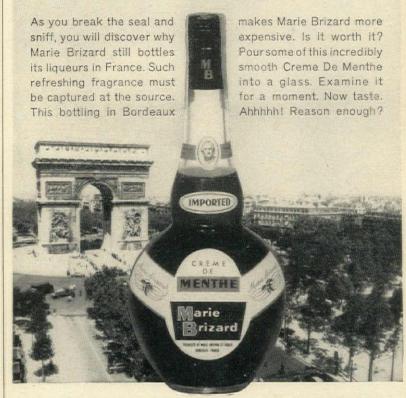


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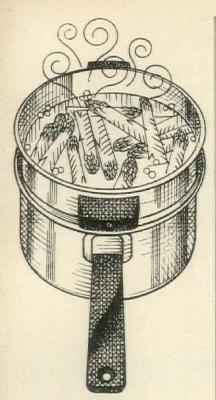
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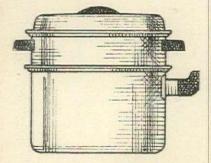
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Ballottines and Galantines

Ballottines and galantines are boned, stuffed and rolled birds or pieces of meat. They both belong to the same order of French cookery; the main distinction between them is that a poultry ballottine is generally a boned bird with the leg and small wing bones left intact and is usually served hot, whereas a poultry galantine is completely boned and always served cold. (If a ballottine is served cold, which it may perfectly well be, it is technically a galantine, according to French culinary dogma.) A ballottine can also be sewn and tied into the original shape of the bird, instead of being rolled, and braised or roasted rather than poached, the usual method. Boned meats such as a breast or shoulder of yeal are also called ballottines and galantines if they are stuffed, cooked and served like poultry.

Once boned, the fowl is laid skin side down and the center of the skin covered with a layer of forcemeat. Little strips of decorative meats, truffles or pistachio nuts are then laid on top and covered with another layer of forcemeat, the idea being that when the cooked roll is sliced, a kind of mosaic pattern emerges. The loose sides and ends of the skin are wrapped over the stuffing, forming the whole thing into a shapely, even, oversized sausage, and either sewn together with thread or skewered with toothpicks (meat would be rolled up like a jelly roll to get the same effect). The roll is then wrapped in a floured cloth and the cloth tied with string at both ends and in the middle. Or, it may be wrapped in heavy foil, which doesn't need to be tied. The wrapped roll is then poached in bouillon (if in a porous cloth) or in salted water (if in foil). The best way to do this is to use a long fish boiler or large oval cocotte with handles and tie the ends of the roll to the handles so the roll is suspended and partly steamed, rather than being completely immersed in the liquid.

After cooking, a galantine is cooled with a board and weight on top to press it into shape and let the liquid drain out. The cloth and thread or toothpicks are removed and the galantine coated with aspic or chaudfroid sauce, or both, and often decorated with edible flowers made from truffles, hard-cooked eggs, tarragon leaves and chives. For a ballottine, the cloth is merely removed after cooking and the roll sliced and served hot with a sauce and some appropriate garnish. On the opposite page is a good basic stuffing for a galantine or ballottine, although there are, of course, innumerable variations.

How to bone a turkey for a galantine



Lay turkey on its side and pull back the wing to expose point at which it is joined to body. Remove the wings (they can be used for poaching stock).

Turn turkey breast side down and with a heavy cleaver split it straight down the backbone so it can be laid out flat.

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Spread out split turkey bone side upward. With a small sharp boning knife, start cutting flesh from bone at the hip, working toward the breastbone.

Work around carcass, cutting and scraping meat from bone and pulling flesh away with fingers as you cut. Always cut close to bone; do not pierce skin.





Sever tendon joining legs to body. Continue cutting until you reach ridge of breastbone. Slide knife under to release carcass, but do not pierce skin.

To remove leg bo-es, slit skin down one side of leg, cut and screpe meat from bone. Pull out loosened bones.

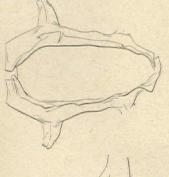


Basic stuffing for ballottines and galantines

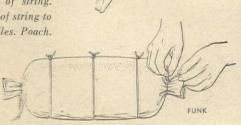
Lightly sauté $\frac{1}{2}$ cup finely chopped onion and 2 finely chopped garlic cloves. Combine with 1 pound ground veal, 1 pound ground pork, 1 teaspoon thyme (or to taste), $\frac{1}{2}$ cup finely chopped parsley, 1 cup bread crumbs, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper, a pinch each of nutmeg, clove and ginger, $\frac{1}{3}$ cup cognac, 3 eggs. An optional addition is $\frac{1}{2}$ pound ground chopped pork or chicken livers.

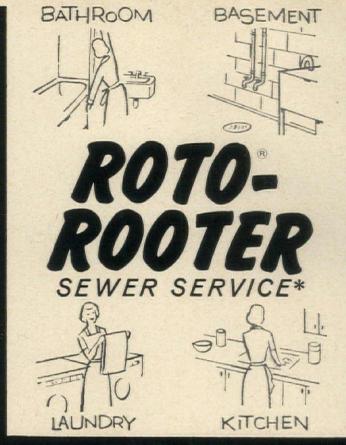
It is a good idea to combine all the ingredients and then sauté a tiny bit and taste for seasoning; the mixture should be fairly highly seasoned. You may add Tabasco and a little more garlic if you feel it is called for. Spread half the mixture on the center of the skin and put the decorative pieces on top. These can be fingers of cold tongue, cold ham, slices of truffles or whole truffles, pistachio nuts; or, in some cases, the suprêmes or breasts of the various birds left whole which have been removed from the skin. Marinate the meats first in a little cognac or red wine and spice before putting on top of the filling. Pieces of fresh pork fat may be cut in fingers and added so that there are little squares of the white fat as the roll is sliced; pork fat also helps to keep the forcemeat moist. Makes enough to stuff a large turkey, breast of veal or two small chickens.

Spread boned turkey flat, skin side down. Fill with stuffing, bring skin over to enclose stuffing, shaping into long fat roll. Sew with strong thread.



Envelop roll in floured cloth. Tie around center with short lengths of string. Tie ends with longer pieces of string to suspend roll from pot handles. Poach.



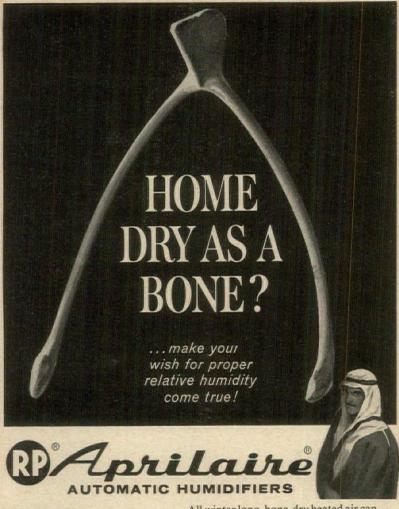


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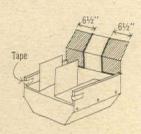


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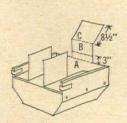
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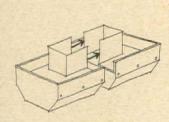
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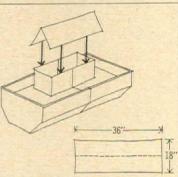
From each side of end flap measure 6½ inches in toward center. Cut along bold lines; remove shaded areas. Tape together the doubled cardboard that now forms the ark's railing. (As you go along, tape freely all joined pieces to hold them together; paper will cover them over.)



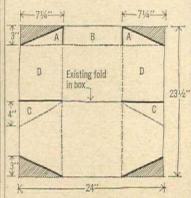
Score on outside of box along dotted line "A." Measure 3 inches up from "A" and score dotted line "B" on inside of box. Measure 8½ inches down from end of flap and score on inside of box along dotted line "C." Folding along lines, you will create railing, deck and end of the cabin.



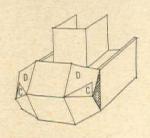
Follow identical steps with second carton and attach the two cartons with brass paper fasteners. Remove brass fasteners along sides of hull and reinforce all seams with gummed paper tape. Trim cabin walls so that all are same height.



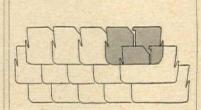
Score a 36-inch-by-18-inch piece of cardboard along dotted line and fold to form peaked roof. Place on top of cabin so that it overlaps sides; tape along one long side. Fill in gables with pieces of cardboard.



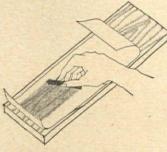
Shape prow from piece of cardboard removed from hull and reserved. Score along dotted lines and cut bold lines, removing shaded areas.



Overlap "B" with "A" triangles enough to shape prow of ark and tape to front of ark hull. Overlap "D" pieces with "C" triangles and tape in position. Fill in the triangular shaded areas at each side by taping in scrap pieces of cardboard.



Shingle the roof of the cabin with scalloped dividers from egg cartons. Paste these on, working from the edge of the roof upward so that they overlap. Outline the scalloped edges with blue cravon to suggest shading.



To make trompe l'oeil wood graining to cover the hull, lay a piece of unglazed shelf paper on a rough plank of wood and rub over with a brown crayon. (This transfers the configurations of the wood to the paper.) Paste paper on the hull.

Waterlot, a 300-year-old sea captain's inn, and an old estate house, Walsingham, now known as Tom Moore's Tavern. The cuisine, which, I have to say, is not very adventurous, is divided between imported steaks and the locally caught lobster and shellfish. They also make a splendid fish chowder. One thing well worth copying is pepper sherry, which I have found nowhere else but in Bermuda. You put a handful of small chili peppers into a bottle of ordinary cooking sherry, cork it for a couple of months, and then use it-very sparingly-to give dash to chowders and soups. I think it should be put at the table and left for each guest to help himself, for it can be breath-taking. An alternative which I far preferred is the local "black" rum (dark and aromatic, but not particularly sweet). which gives real depth and richness to soups and stews. It is also interesting to pour a dash over a hot, grilled grapefruit as an apéritif. You might take a bottle home as part of your bonded liquor allowance.

Rum, and variations on rum, is the staple drink. The presentation-whether Rum Swizzle, Rum Collins or Planter's Punch-is masterly. Here are some lessons learned from the barman at Twenty-One-a charming bar with a canopied, first-floor terrace on Front Street, Hamilton, where people gather any time from 11:00 in the morning onward: Whip a white of egg and add it to your Planter's Punch, with a dusting of grated nutmeg on top. Frost with sugar the rim of the glass for a Rum Swizzle. Experiment with the addition of slices of peach, banana, pineapple or orange. Add a dash of orange bitters, Angostura or grenadine. Try a slice of grapefruit peel as a garnish if you don't have fresh limes handy. Most refreshing of all, mix a light rum half in half with freshly squeezed grapefruit juice. Above all, make each drink separately: rum quickly stales with fruit left in it.

Sight-seeing in St. George

Bermuda has nine different parishes, many with evocatively English names: Warwick, Southampton and Devonshire among them. One of the oldest and most picturesque is St. George, whose "capital" town (the capital of Bermuda itself until 1815) is a sleepy, semi-deserted township of seventeenth-century mansions in which Bermuda's earliest families lived and besported themselves between selling arms to the Confederate States during the Civil War, rum running during the days of

prohibition, buccaneering in general, and the more pastoral pursuits of farming lilies and onions, the island's original crop. St. Peter's Church, the oldest Anglican church in the Western Hemisphere, has wonderful carved cedarwood and a priceless silver Communion service, a gift from William III. Nearby is the old State House where Bermuda's parliament met as early as 1620, and, along on Water Street, the President Henry Tucker House, now a museum. The Tucker family were prominent in American Revolutionary days both in Bermuda and Virginia, and the house. quite apart from its heirlooms and portraits, is an excellent example of eighteenth-century Bermudian architecture. You need only walk through King's Square, Church Street, Duke of York's and Duke of Kent Street to see that these houses, made of soft limestone mellowed into pale honey-gray, lit by the brilliant reds of the hibiscus hedges, gabled and lofted in the Georgian manner, are some of the prettiest in the world. Still relatively plump and prosperous, they don't have the decayed, decadent beauty of the American South, but they have a poetry of their own. Some of the island houses are open to the public during the season, and the hospitable Garden Club of Bermuda, in Hamilton, will arrange visits for people who are interested in looking around them.

Near to St. George's, at Fort St. Catherine, is a huge nineteenth-century fortification, now completely restored, that contains heavy muzzle-loading defense cannons as well as replicas of the British crown jewels. You might look for antiques at St. George's, but make a point of visiting Flatt's

Village, which borders Hamilton Sound. A shop named Lazy Corner has collated some of the best antiques from the old houses during their periodic sellouts, as well as some from the United Kingdom and Ireland. As I mentioned earlier, Georgian silver fetches (or asks) its price: \$320 U.S. was the cost of a teapot, cream jug and sugar bowl at Lazy Corner. I also priced a handsome table made from Bermudian cedarwood at \$270, but you might just be lucky with some smaller items. One unique island craft is the handcarved cedarwood cigarette boxes, desk sets and ashtrays that you can buy in the Country Souvenir Shop at Hook 'n Ladder Lane, in the parish of Somerset. But for the most part-and certainly the most businesslike part of your shopping-you'll devote a day to Front

Without going into details on prices, it is an established fact that perfume and china cost 40 per cent less than Stateside prices. And most of the stores, such as Trimingham's, sell everything from perfume through china and cashmere to luggage. For any branded item prices are the same from one store to another. There is practically no part of the world whose merchandise has not been tapped by Bermuda's remarkable buyers. Take your time, therefore, in deciding between Wedgwood, Spode, Crown Derby and Worcester, in choosing from Swedish, Danish and Belgian crystal or Swedish and German steel cutlery. Cashmeres and woolens are imported from Italy and Australia as well as Scotland.

Street, Hamilton. Hamilton for shopping

Calypso, where Polly Hornburg shows her own designs, is one of

August St. Peter's, built on the site of the oldest Anglican church in the Western Hemisphere (1612), exudes aroma of cedarwood pews and beams

the best places for resort wear. Unset stones from Stern's of Rio are on sale at A. S. Cooper. The Belfast Linen Boutique imports things from Madeira as well as Northern Ireland; I specially liked their hand-scalloped pillow-



White stone cottage on Great Sound displays characteristic ridged roof built to capture precious rain water

cases and their lace-trimmed guest towels that cost \$1.15 each. One of the few things created on the spot is the Royal Lime Water, with matching soap. It has a coolly fragrant scent and is, incidentally, an effective mosquito repellant. French perfumes are far cheaper than in the United States.

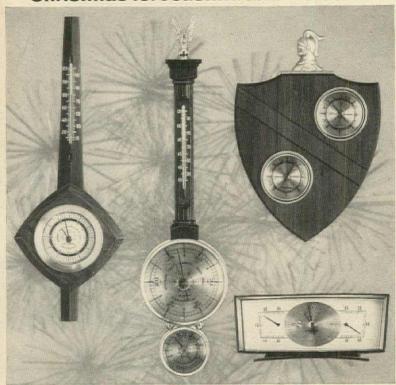
Such is the effect on the purse strings that I advise only looking in the morning, and actually shopping later on. You are not likely to find the little back-street shop unexploited, so you might just as well stick with the best and most obvious stores that stretch for a half-mile along Front Street itself.

Not that shopping is the only point of Hamilton: it is a white and handsome port, and the shops are located in charming eighteenth-century buildings. You will find it enough just to sit and look at Front Street from one of the many veranda bars that line it, and watch the liners tie up almost to the lampposts across the cobbled way. The city's most endearing quality is its intimacy. As Mark Twain said of Bermuda: "It looks like a fishhook, only it's smaller.'

It is also quiet. Night life, as such, is something which has been created by and for the tourists and so revolves around the big hotels, most of which put on a cabaretsteel band, calypso or straight Western-every evening. For a meal in town, try the Penthouse, on Front Street. But Hamilton beds early, as befits the island's atmosphere of unlimited leisure.

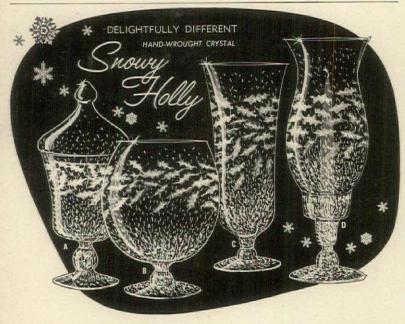
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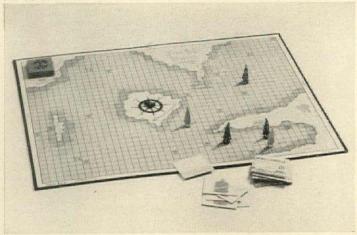
This year's crop of new indoor games ranges from contests of strategy played quietly on a board to some more athletic diversions for working off a little pent-up energy. Most of the games are ageless, can help young and old while away winter hours happily. All are available at F. A. O. Schwarz.



An indoor tennis game for the active

Mini-Tennis is much like Pingpong except that the table and net are much smaller. Good-sized foam-covered paddles let the players hit a regular ball as hard as they wish—but keep it under close control. Two can play in a relatively small area on a diminutive table, \$19.75.





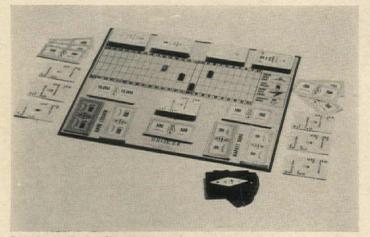
Fun for winter yachtsmen: The Yacht Race can be played by expert or novice sailors—the winner is the first to complete one of several courses with Wind Change, Sailor's Luck and Spinnaker cards that dictate moves. From two to six people may play at the 20-inch-square board. \$9.50.



A game of control: Pufferino is played with a small Lucite-covered oblong box which has a rubber bulb attached to it. By pressing the bulb either gently or firmly, a puff of air is exerted on tiny cork balls which are blown to make a score as they land on various numbers. \$5.75.



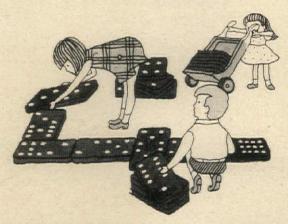
Great energy outlet: Ping Ball is good exercise and keeps you on your toes. Just strap the base of this upright pole firmly to a sturdy table (card-table size preferably), pick up a paddle and commence. The object: to keep the ball in constant motion in its 36-inch radius. \$6.95.



Stock market adventures: Broker is a challenging game involving rising and falling stock. You play on a board, with fake money and market action cards to tell moves. For two to six people, aged 12 and up. \$5.95.



Game for racing car buffs: Formula-1 keeps racing car experts and beginners moving around the laps as Pit and Tactic cards designate moves. Dashboards with movable indicators for tire and brake wear, lap indicator and speedometer are part of the equipment. For two to six players. \$5.



Indoor-outdoor dominoes: Lawn Minos comes stacked with a cover in its own trim cart and can be transported from the lawn to the playroom for the winter. Each black wooden domino measures 11" long and 3/4" thick—a great size for the game or to use as building blocks. \$35.



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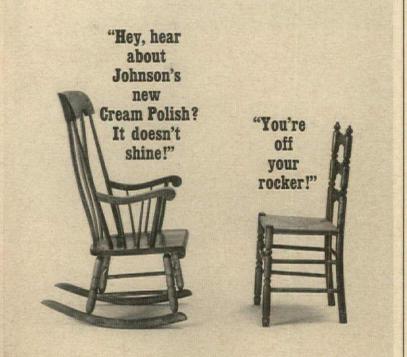
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Bookworm's Boutique

Suggestions for the bibliophiles

on your Christmas list

At Christmas we think first of the children, so let's start with selections for them. A first-rate addition to the currently large pride of books about lions, real and fictional, is Lafcadio, The Lion Who Shot Back by Shel Silverstein (Harper & Row, \$2.95). Uncle Shelby tells a witty tale through his famous drawings of Lafcadio in some of his most laughable getups: hunting white hunters, dining out, performing in a circus. He'll be a sensation to any sophisticated youngster from 8 to 80. . . . Home of the Red Man by Robert Silverberg (New York Graphic Society, \$3.95) is a penetrating study of the American Indian and his culture from his earliest beginnings. Drawings and maps will guide TV Western addicts to a more realistic understanding of what really happened, before, as well as after, the white man arrived. . . . A charming coloring book titled Edward Lear's Nonsense to Color (Harper & Row, \$2.50) will delight Lear's large following (that means virtually all children). Lear, of The Owl and the Pussy-cat fame. suited each of his original Limericks to a drawing with appealing pertinence, and here's a fine choice waiting to be crayoned.

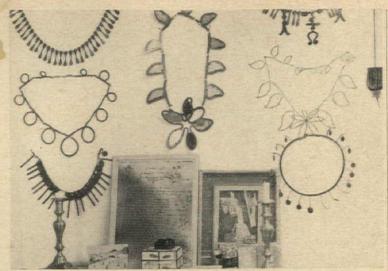
For the dyed-in-the-wool art lover, throw caution, seasonably, to the winds and add a real Christmas treasure to his collection. The Complete Works of Raphael, edited by Ettore Camesasca (Hawthorn Books, Inc., 4 vols., boxed, \$15.95), distributes all the paintings and frescoes throughout the four 5-by-7-inch volumes. The text is clear and the pictures, although small, are sharply reproduced. . . . Pictures in the Royal Collection, edited by Sir Anthony Blunt (Phaidon Press, 2 vols., boxed, \$21), contains 226 reproductions of the Queen's collection by British artists or artists working in Britain during the Tudor, Stuart and early Georgian reigns. (The collection includes works by Holbein, Van Dyck and Hogarth among others.) Many of the pictures are here reproduced for the first time. These volumes-one of text and the other of plates-are the first of a six-part series which will show the Royal Collection from Henry VIII through the reign of Queen Victoria. . . . A big beautiful picture book is Great Styles of Furniture, edited by Charles

Vandam (The Viking Press, \$20). Furniture and room settings of England, Italy, France, Holland and Spain from 1500 to 1900 are included. Should make a marvelous gift for anyone seriously interested in interior decoration. Tutankhamen by Christiane Desroches-Noblecourt (New York Graphic Society, \$15) is a remarkable book about this young king and his treasures, so well written that it reads like an adventure story. Lavishly illustrated, the book comprises some of the most beautiful color plates we have ever seen. . . . Ben Shahn: His Graphic Art and Ben Shahn: Paintings, introduction and text by James Thrall Soby (George Braziller, Inc., 2 vols., boxed, \$22) includes works from the Thirties through 1962. Shahn's satire, humor and immense compassion for the human race come through powerfully in this collection.

Speaking of the human race, several books on the manners and mores of the great and near-great make fascinating reading and viewing. The biggest and most impressive of the recent lot is The World in Vogue, edited by Jessica Daves, Alexander Liberman, Bryan Holme and Katherine Tweed (The Viking Press, \$16). Seventy years of American art, letters, theatre, society and fashion are commented on, by camera and by word. The text is especially distinguished by the great names of those who have contributed articles to Vogue. . . . What makes a Philadelphian tick is thoroughly and engagingly reported by Nathaniel Burt in The Perennial Philadelphians, The Anatomy of an American Aristocracy (Little, Brown and Co., \$10.50). The book covers the whole history of the city from its founding through the developing of the Main Line to the urban renewal that presently goes forward. Many amusing anecdotes are included, and if it isn't all from the horse's mouth, it's from as near as you can get to the closed mouth of Philadelphia's hierarchy.... Russell Lynes adds his gaily mordant comments on Americans at home in The Domesticated Americans (Harper & Row, \$6.50). Here is a compilation of thoughts, photographs and drawings of our houses-from the log cabin to the ranch house-and quotes on our

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Mrs. Calder's necklaces, designed by her husband, hang on walls of her bedroom

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paintings by Miró, Toulouse-Lautrec, Tanguy, Max Ernst, Léger, Vieira da Silva, Tamayo and Wifredo Lam.

Sandy Calder, who is honored today as one of the great revolutionaries of twentieth-century art, is the son and grandson of prominent traditionalist sculptors: the statue of William Penn on top of Philadelphia's Independence Hall was made by his grandfather, one of the two statues of George Washington on the arch of New York's Washington Square was done by his father. And along with being an internationally recognized revolutionary, Sandy Calder is himself a traditionalist, a sentimentalist, a family man. On the east wall of his living room he has hung a large portrait of himself in a sailor suit painted by his mother when he was four years oldstill a striking resemblance. In the small passageway between living room and kitchen are a profusion of personal memorabilia, postcards from friends all over the world, photographs of the Calders newly married, of the Calder daughters as babies, schoolgirls and mothers, of the four Calder grandchildren.

Except for large parties, the Calders with their guests eat in the kitchen, on a table brought years ago from France. Louisa Calder, a ferocious individualist with disdain for most modern conveniences, has never had any household help in her Connecticut home because, she says, "I can't stand anyone else touching my things." She still does some of her cooking on a coal stove of 1900 vintage, and takes advantage of its slow heat to keep large quantities of food warm for parties.

The Calders have spent a good part of their lives in France, and still spend half of each year in their French home, a sixteenth-century manor near Tours. And the hearty food at the Calders' house, liberally flavored with herbs and garlic, is unaffectedly and exclu-

sively French. Favorites are leg of lamb or roast beef, cooked and served in a beautiful roasting pan of Sandy's manufacture; a daube of beef; roast goose at holiday time; rice served in a salad bowl with oil and basil; and for dessert, generous amounts of salad and cheese, followed occasionally by such an old-fashioned French dessert as gâteau de riz or a purée of quince yielded by the quince trees growing on the lawn.

Meals are accompanied by Louisa's daily baked bread and inexhaustible quantities of wine. Red wine is abundant throughout the house. California wine stands on the floor in five-gallon jars. Chianti in straw-covered jugs dots the tables. Bottles of Beaujolais are stacked in rows on window sills, offered to visitors at any time of day or night they may drop in.

Dancing is one of the Calders' favorite pastimes. Their record shelves are filled with every possible dance rhythm, from valse musettes to the latest merengue. And when Sandy dances, which he is apt to start doing whenever he hears music, his girth and weight are transformed into an incorporeal grace and lightness. The Calders give large dancing parties every spring and New Year's. One recent party made a notable addition to the collection of stories about the Calders' proverbial hospitality: Louisa fed some hundred people between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., and when the last guest left, she single-handedly cleaned up her house to entertain a busload of twenty art critics and museum directors arriving for lunch a few hours later.

The Calders' hospitality, and part of the magic of their home, come from their boundless individualism, energy and warmth, and from the pleasure and simplicity with which they accept the fact that they are very famous, very sought after and very much loved.

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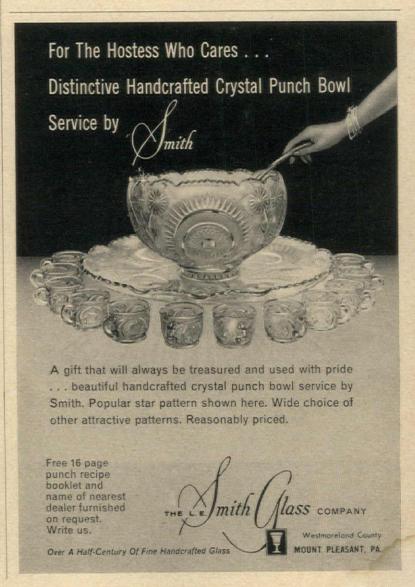


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Cedar baskets, artificial berries and greens, \$7.50 ea.; hanging cedar basket, \$18; candleholder, \$10. Laminated place mats of "Islon," 13" x 19", \$2 ea. By Matouk, at Lord & Taylor.

Flatware, "Vivant" Heirloom Sterling, 5-pc. place setting, \$39,25. Oneida. Dinnerware, "Grace" platinum and coin gold bands on edges, 5-pc. place setting, \$20.95. Syracuse.

Glassware, "Venus" cut crystal goblets and wineglasses, \$3.50 ea. Fostoria.

Diamond cut lead crystal cigarette urn, \$6; lighter, \$9; ashtray, \$3.50. B. Altman & Co., 34th & Fifth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

"Lavalier" cut wool pile rug, 4' x 6', \$129.50. Karastan.

Everything else privately owned.

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Cedar baskets, painted gold, artificial berries and greens, \$7.50 ea.; cedar garlands. 4' to 5' 1., \$25 ea.; cedar wreath, 18" diam., \$26; cedar boxwood bouquets, \$2.25 ea.; lead tassel candelabrum with 5 oil lamps, \$20. Artificial candy canes, 69c ea.; popcorn garland, 9' l., \$1.25; gingerbread men, 4 for \$1.25; angel cookies, hearts, bag of 4, \$2.25; soldier, package of 2, \$1.25; ice cream cone, 59e; girl with tree on head, Santa with chimney, chicken; package of 4 of each item, \$1.25, All from Papier Maleé, 55 Greenwich Ave., New York 14. N. Y.

Clavos black and white Spanish rug. Luten-Clarey-Stern.*

Furniture, screen, sconces. Doris Dessauer.*

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Lead tassel base with 5 oil lamps, \$20. Dinnerware, "Colonel" bone china, 5-pc. place setting, \$33.40. Spode. Glassware, "Fascination" ruby goblets and wineglasses, \$4.50 ea. Fos-

Hanging cedar basket, \$18; candleholder, \$10; cedar baskets, \$7.50 ea.

Bottom:

Cedar wreath, 18" diam., \$26.

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Cedar garlands, 4' to 5' l., \$25 ea.; cedar wreath, 10" diam., \$18 ea.; cedar hanging baskets, \$18 ea.

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Wall decorations, table, tureen, salad bowl. Doris Dessauer.*

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Gift Wrappings

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"Potpourri" solid color glazed papers, 5 sheets 26" x 30", 5 shades of one color, red, yellow, violet, blue, or brown groups, 3 rolls, \$3; "Elas-Tys" pre-tied elasticized bow and loop, package of 5, 50c; "Yarn-Tys" wool, 18'. 50c: "Enchan-Tys" flexible foillike ribbon, gold only, 35' spool, 50c; By East House, available at: Adler-Schnee Assoc., 16805 Livernois Ave., Detroit 21, Mich.; Bullock's, 401 S. Lake, Pasadena 5, Calif.; Lord & Taylor, 424 Fifth Ave., New York 18,

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Gingerbread House, \$1.50. Papier Malcé, 55 Greenwich Ave., New York 14, N. Y. Printed paper, "Golden Tapestry," 26" x 72" roll, 59c. Hallmark. Solid color paper, "Potpourri"; all held together with "Elas-

Paper Flowers: base covered with "San-Sui"; flowers, privately owned. Jacks in the Box: covered with "Potpourri"; felt dolls, package of 2, \$1.69. Papier Malcé.

Goldilocks Box: face and hand, "Potpourri"; hair and bows, "Yarn-Tys"; base of box, "Touch of Velvet" flocked paper, 2 sheets 20" x 26", 50c. Tie-Tie; teddy bear, 4" h., package of 2, \$1.69. Papier Malcé.

Military Box: covered with "San-Sui"; ribbon, "Satintone" striped or plain, 1½" w., 24" roll, 50c. Tie-Tie, Ticktacktoe Box: foil wrapping paper, 30" x 120" roll, \$1; "Jewel Bows," 19c ea. Tie-Tie.

A Poufy Bow Box: covered with "Touch of Velvet" green flocked paper, 2 sheets 20" x 26", 50c; bows of Satintone" striped ribbon, 11/4" w., 24' roll, 50c; solid color, 34" w., 20' roll, 25c. Tie-Tie.

Paper Ball Box: covered with "Old World Elegance" fuchsia and blue flocked paper, 2 sheets, 20" x 26", 50c. Tie-Tie. Tissue paper balls, package of 6, \$1. Hallmark.

A Rose Tree Box: covered with "Copper" coated jacket paper, 30" x 96" roll, 59c; rose bows, "Satintone," 6 for \$1.29; ribbon, 3/4" w., 20' roll, 25c. Tie Tie.

Sentry Box: covered with "Potpourri"; ribbon, "Satintone" 11/4" w., 24' roll, 50c. Tie-Tie. Wood and felt soldier, package of 2, \$1.79. Papier Malcé.

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Pudding and Pie Cook Book Page 173:

Hardwood rolling pin, 21" 1., \$1. The Bridge Co., 498 Third Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

Pastry brush, black Chinese bristles, \$1.50; assorted tin pastry cutters in round box, set of 12, \$2.95; fluted, tin pie pan, removable bottom, 10" diam., \$1.10; white enamel scale, removable top dish, 4" h., weighs up to 23 lbs., \$16.95; triple-screen chrome flour sifter, trigger handle, \$1.95. Bazar Français, 666 Sixth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

Goosefeather pastry brush, 8" l., 50c. La Cuisinière, 903 Madison Ave., New York 21, N. Y.

Wooden pastry board, \$3.29; Beauty-Ware canister, white enamel, chrome trim and lid, blue decorations, set of 4, \$8.98. Bloomingdale's, 59th & Lexington Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

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Tin Charlotte mold, 7¼" diam.,
 4" d., holds 2 qts., \$2.75. Bazar Francais.

çais. 2. Tin pie or pâté mold, $8 \frac{1}{4} ^{\prime\prime}$ l., \$4.75.

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 Antique white pudding mold. La Cuisinière.

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8. Snipe head baking dish, French cooking china, 6¾" x 4", holds 2 lbs., \$10.75. Bazar Français.

9. Pudding dish, fluted top edge, French cooking china, $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3", holds 4 lbs., \$6.95. Bazar Français. 10. Tin mold with lid, 3 clamps, 7" diam., 5" d., holds 2 qts., \$3.45. Bazar Français.

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Round flan ring, blue steel, expands from 7¼" to 14", 2" d., \$2.25. Rectangular flan ring, blue steel, expands from 12" x 16" to 22¼" x 30½", 1½"

d., \$6.95. Both from The Bridge Co.

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manners from other writers, architects and artists. . . . Conclude your trek into American folkways with Great American Mansions and Their Stories by Merrill Folsom (Hastings House Publishers, Inc., \$10). Forty-five houses are pictured, inside and out, with accompanying stories of the men who built them. Some houses go back to Colonial days, but most were built by the tycoons of the nineteenth century when real status required a house of 250 rooms and every newly rich man built his dream house in the image of a palace. Concluding the entertaining story of each mansion is a schedule of times when it is open to the public. (Tax and servant problems have induced almost all heirs to relinquish ancestral seats to the State.)

Servantless houses being practically ubiquitous these days, and hostmanship being an art that does not develop automatically but has to be learned, tab the three following suggestions to help young couples with their entertaining. The Art of Carving by the editors of House & Garden (Simon and Schuster, \$3.95) for husbands young or old—wives, too. The

carving of all cuts of all meats is told with step-by-step pictures as well as succinct text. Also included: how to open oysters and how to cope with lobster.... For the busy young wife with a job, lay hands on Glamour Magazine's New After Five Cookbook by Beverly Pepper (Doubleday & Co., \$4.50). This is a completely revised version of the very popular cook book first published in 1954. The same reliable formula as in the first book is used-a tally of staples and shopping lists for each week precede the dinner menus for each day of the year. A separate section for gourmets only has been added to make party and holiday menus exciting, but the menus are geared to realistic schedules. . . . Another remarkable volume is the Joyce Chen Cook Book (J. B. Lippincott Co., \$5.95), with a foreword by Paul Dudley White, M.D. Mrs. Chen runs a Chinese restaurant in Cambridge, Mass., also teaches Chinese cooking. This cook book contains simplified procedures for preparing and serving authentic Mandarin, Shanghai, Chungking and Cantonese recipes. Photographs and sketches make

the directions perfectly clear.

Wind up your shopping excursion with a thought for the literary buff on your list. Dorothy and Red by Vincent Sheean (Houghton Mifflin, \$6.95) is a combination of reminiscence (by the author), letters (of both Dorothy Thompson and Sinclair Lewis) and excerpts from diaries Miss Thompson kept at various times during her career in both marriage and journalism. The story starts with their meeting in Berlin-she a rising foreign correspondent, he already a risen author. The book ends with an essay on Red and his family that Dorothy wrote for the Atlantic Monthly eighteen years after their divorce and one year before she died.... Another sweet-sad correspondence any aspiring writer will prize is The Letters of F. Scott Fitzgerald, edited and with an introduction by Andrew Turnbull (Charles Scribner's Sons, \$10). Letters never before published appear in this collection. Perhaps the most interesting are those to writer friends such as Ernest Hemingway and Edmund Wilson in which he discusses their work as well as, of course, his own.

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Plant palette for winter windows

By James Fanning

There are several factors to be taken into consideration when you are selecting and placing house plants in your winter windows. First: Select plants that will do best under the light conditions that prevail. Second: Select plants that will mean something to the design of the room where they are to grow. Third: Place your plants to compose well within the framework of their window.

Plants should not just be set, helter-skelter, wherever they will get suitable light. Rather, they should be placed where they will form a pleasant composition. The twelve plants we have chosen from among the hundreds available as our "select dozen" (in color, page 164) represent the complete range of suitability to light and temperature, as well as the variety of color, leaf form, size and flowering characteristics that should be considered in selecting all your house plants. With these twelve as a nucleus, others have been added, window by window, to form the complete pictures on pages 164 to 167 and below.

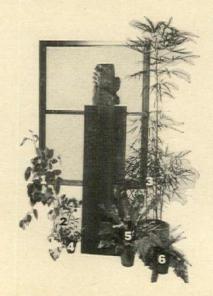
A few general rules apply not only to these plants, but to all the others you might choose for your own windows. Their importance varies from plant to plant and location to location. But all should be considered before you place your plants.

1. LIGHT. When we speak of diffused light, we mean strong light, such as that coming through an unobstructed north window, but not direct sunlight. You might also get this kind of light through glass curtains or Venetian blinds. A great majority of plants thrive in light of this sort, and even those that really prefer direct sun do passably well in it. A southern exposure, of course, gives the maximum of direct sunlight, while east and west cannot, either one, be counted upon for more than half a day.

2. HEAT. Heat and light are directly connected, although their separate effects upon plants are quite different. The more direct sun, of course, the warmer; hence the fact that plants in a southfacing window must be tolerant of high temperatures as well as high

For an east window: 1. Cissus antarctica (Kangaroo vine). The all-purpose climber if there ever was one. It will grow vigorously in either weak or strong light, tolerate sun as well. Climbs by tendrils. Keep moist, not wet. 2. Osmanthus fragrans. A small shrub, hardy and evergreen outdoors in the south, with hollylike leaves and clusters of small white fragrant flowers. Prefers humus-rich soil, diffused light, moderate watering, 3. Dizvgotheca elegantissima (False-aralia). Tall slender shrub with long leaves in narrow, toothed segments. Bronze foliage. 4. Zebrina pendula quadricolor (wandering Jew). Trailing pale green stems, pointed oval leaves streaked white, cream and pink. Diffused light or full sun, constant moisture. 5. Asplenium nidus (Bird's nest fern). Rippling light green leaves, dark midribs. Prefers diffused light, ample moisture. 6. Nephrolepis exaltata (Boston fern, in

color on page 164). The variety 'Verona' has unusually graceful fronds. Tolerates some sun, but too much brightness may burn tips; diffused light better. An occasional syringing keeps fronds fresh and green. For a west window: 1. Aeschynanthus speciosus. Trailing stems, dark green fleshy leaves and flameorange flowers with divided petals. For most of the day it should have diffused light, but morning or afternoon sun does no harm. Requires a rich, porous soil and continuous moisture. 2. Campanula isophylla (color, page 164). Slender semi-trailing stems and bellflower blossoms (there are both white and blue forms) that persist generously for months. Requires several hours' sun each day-the more the better. Grows best in humus-rich soil, moderate moisture and relatively cool locations. 3. Rex begonias. There are many variants, all notable for the color and form of





MONTH

Every maker of pictures has his techniques—and that includes the gardener when he moves indoors

light intensity. Plants in a northfacing window, conversely, must be able to take lower temperatures as well as lower light intensities. 3. AIR. Plants, like people, have to breathe; hence the need for clean, fresh, reasonably humidified air. While people, nowadays. incline to scoff at the idea that drafts are unhealthy, it is definitely true that drafts, either hot or cold, are often extremely harmful to indoor plants. This is because plants cannot adapt themselves quickly to changing temperature: a suddenly opened window when the outdoor temperature is below 50 degrees may well mean the death of a begonia on the window sill of a 70-degree room. A blast of hot air from a heating register may be just as fatal to a fern or other cool-temperature species.

4. WATER. Unquestionably, water is the one most vital factor in the life of a plant. Indoors, the supply is under direct control, so

there is no reason, other than carelessness or ignorance, for house plants to suffer from too much or too little.

The best method of watering house plants is to stand the pots in a bucket or tub with water deep enough to just miss slopping over the rim of the pot. When the water, having soaked up from the bottom, has thoroughly moistened the soil surface and air bubbles have stopped rising, remove the pots and let them drain for an hour or so before returning them to their windows. Admittedly, this is a laborious operation, but it has the advantage of leaving no question about the plant's being adequately watered but not soggy.

How often watering should be done depends, of course, on so many variable factors that it is unwise to set up a rigid schedule for doing it, even if you think you know your own conditions perfectly. The wise rule is: Get to know your plants well enough so that you can "feel" their needs. Water is important to the top growth—stems and leaves—as well as to the roots. Dust, for one thing, must be removed from the leaves, and this may be done either with a spray (a shower bath is fine) or by swabbing with a wet—not just damp—sponge.

5. SOIL. Practically all house plants grow best in a soil that is rich in humus, porous and well-drained. A good test for the condition of potting soil is to squeeze a handful of it. It should not make a sticky, cement-like lump, even when wet. If you're making your own potting soil, use a humus that is flaky, rather than powdery, plus "sharp" or "builder's" sand (about the same as canary or parakeet gravel) and sifted garden soil, about equal thirds of each.

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mutatum (close kin of the old reliable Chinese evergreen). Prefers diffused light, but will tolerate almost any kind. You may even occasionally see cream-colored jack-in-the-pulpit-like flowers, followed by red or yellow berry clusters. Use loamy soil, but water sparingly. 5. Aglaonema pseudo-bracteatum. Strikingly variegated twin of the preceding species. Same conditions. 6. Rex begonia (see west window). 7. Nephrolepis exaltata (see east window). 8. Siderasis fuscata. An "untypical" and self-contained member of the wandering Jew family. Deep in the cluster of broad, light-striped, olive-green leaves a lavender-blue flower may appear, even in the diffused light it thrives on. Needs moist, porous soil.

For a south window: 1. Campanula isophylla (see west window). 2. Euphorbia splendens (crown of thorns, color, page 164). A (Continued on page 195)

fused light, but tolerate some sun. A porous humus mixture is best, watered only when dry. 4. Fuchsia fulgens. Little-known species with small, narrow leaves and bright red flowers dangling in clusters. Rich but porous soil, diffused light with little sun, and steady moisture. 5. Osmanthus fragrams (see east window). 6. Cissus antarctica (see east window). For a north window: 1. Cissus antarctica (see east and west windows). 2. Euphorbia lactea. Cactus-like relative of the crown of thorns and the poinsettia, it is unlike both. Has great sculptural value as used here. Three-sided stems are armed with short but spectacular spines. Enjoys strong light, but does not require sun. Porous soil, only moderate moisture. 3. Asplenium nidus (see east window). 4. Aglaonema com-

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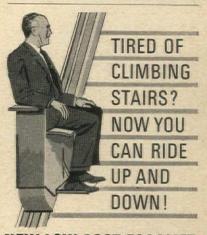
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Notes for December Gardeners

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First weekend

Mulcher's moon. mulching is worthwhile. We make this statement categorically and unequivocally. The best gardeners apply winter mulches. And the best gardens are properly mulched during the cold months where cold winter temperatures are a factor in the success of perennial plants. (All these italics are deliberate.) Rationalize as you will and advance whatever arguments you can think of for withholding winter covers that may retard the spring performance of your plants or promote the incidence of rot or disease: the fact remains that the best performers through the year are the herbaceous garden biennials and perennials around which winter temperatures are stabilized to best advantage, yielding to spring thaws gradually and but once when the season finally turns. All this is but another way of saying that the winter care of your garden is of vital importance after all. And that although you may leave your plants to the vagaries of your climate from freeze-up to thaw—and expect good results-you will get superlative results only if you take superlative pains.

There are, of course, two basic kinds of winter mulch: the kind that you apply when the ground becomes cold in order to delay and soften the severity of the drop in winter temperatures; and the kind you apply after the ground is frozen in order to keep it frozen and minimize the unsettling effects of alternate freezing and thawing before spring really sets in. Both kinds of mulch are valuable-the second far more than the first except in regions where freezing temperatures are infrequent and moderate. What material you use for a mulch is less important than putting your mulch on at the right time, keeping it in place during the worst of the winter and removing it when seasonal temperatures take a real spring turn. The conclusion is inescapable that the ideal mulch is a permanent snow cover that builds up just after the ground freezes and stays on until just after thawing temperatures

arrive. And in many parts of the country such a choice mulch is readily come by. The only trouble is that the same climate that produces permanent snow mulches in winter also tends to restrict the range of plant material that may be grown the rest of the time. So you would do well to be thankful that you must apply artificial mulches-and apply them. Straw, salt marsh hay, fir bark, sugar cane bagasse, buckwheat hulls, pine needles, excelsior, hardwood leaves, ground corn cobs-all these are suitable. Use the one most convenient. And apply it when the ground-frost strikes in for good. Hold the mulches down with boughs, board, brush, wire fencing, even stones if necessary. And leave it in place until false spring has come-and gone. You'll never go mulchless again.



Second weekend

Hardware review. This is not what you think. The hardware review we have in mind is a survey of the wires, hooks, bolts, ties (even string), nails, paving blocks, braces and the like that you may have used to ring or penetrate your tree trunks or branches for one purpose or another. Guy wires on newly planted trees, eyebolts or loops for children's swings, hooks for holding electric lines for summer barbecue lights, stones and bricks laid close over tree roots or around trunks-all should be checked now. For one thing, the leaves are gone and you can see what you are doing. For another, if you don't do it now, you probably never will. A pin, bolt, nail or screw that pierces tree bark at one point is unlikely ever to harm the tree seriouslyunless it somehow permits disease or rot to enter or actually weakens the tree structurally. But a girdling wire or loop can kill the limb around which it draws tight-or the tree above the trunk that is thus girdled. The fact that a guy wire, for example, is enclosed in a piece of rubber hose is of little advantage if the whole thing becomes a strangling noose when trunk diameter increases. As a matter of fact, a mess of hose taken into the cambium layer by a tight wire makes a more serious wound than wire alone-although no more fatal. So all guy wires that can be removed should be removed as soon as need for them is over. And all tight guys should be loosened every year. Swing ropes—especially if they have worn grooves in the bark of a limb-should be untied for the winter, to be replaced next spring in a different location. (Better yet, replace all loops with ring bolts drilled clear through the limb.)

Less obvious, but with delayed results that may be even more severe, are nails and screws that permit disease to enter before the growing bark heals over them. Rather than withdrawing such miscellaneous metal, leaving an open hole, remove the protruding part with a hacksaw, just as you would remove a dead limb—close to the trunk. A little tree wound paint will serve as a temporary antiseptic.

Third weekend

Machine-age logistics. Power tools are great labor savers-provided they are accessible to do the work that has to be done when they have to do it. If the weather is good and the tools are light, there is no problem. But when the snow blower is drifted tight behind the tool shed door and the power mower is blocked from the lawn by a flight of steep steps or an overgrown shrub border, what you would do well to have around is a muscular teen-ager. Or a wellplanned, well-paved, well-graded path on which to transport your tools around the grounds. Such work-ways used to be called sneakpaths. But it is hard to "sneak" a four-horsepower snow plow or a riding lawn mower anywhere. It is not so hard to bypass a short flight of steps with a wheelbarrow if you have a graded slope alongside. But four-wheel tools that must be ridden or power-driven are another matter. In summer you need wide, firm walks on a one-to-four grade or better. In winter you want hard-surfaced walks (brick, stone, macadam or well-laid gravel) on which to move not only wheeled equipment, but heavily laden feet. (The damage a lawn may suffer from mere foot traffic in wintertime is a whole story in itself.) Distance is no problem. It's the planning that counts.

Book note. Here is stop-press news of a new garden book so attractive and so costly that the best way to acquire it is to be given it for Christmas. We suggest you arrange the matter forthwith. The book is Peter Coates' unbelievably handsome "Great Gardens of the (Putnam's, World" Western \$19.95 until January 1st). The book is a picture album without parallel. The author is one of the most discerning as well as knowledgeable garden writers now practicing. The point of view is cosmopolitan, the restraint British. Sir Harold Nicholson has written a warm introduction.



Fourth weekend

Penny wise, pint foolish. Freezing and oxidation are two of the worst enemies of your garden chemicals. Humidity is a fast third. Fertilizers and many powdered preparations deliquesce (dissolve in atmospheric moisture) almost as fast as they oxidize. In either case, the net result is a loss of effectiveness with the passage of time and changing season that may make them somewhat worse than useless. We say worse because often the loss of effectiveness is of more importance in your garden than mere waste of money would be. Liquids that freeze in tool sheds and unheated garages may crystallize, change their chemical or physical properties, or even break their containers. In most instances, such materials bear a warning on the label against dangerously low temperatures (or, in some cases, high ones) and freezing. So you have one more good reason for reading the labels on the preparations you buy. In the case of powdered materials vulnerable to moisture (the nitrogen in many plant foods, for instance), the lumping of the compound may be warning enough. The obvious answer is a fall housecleaning that will extend to all the garden supply shelves. Don't discard fertilizers, of course. Rather put them in dry locations-winter and summer. Store all chemicals that are in glass bottles where they cannot freeze. Discard without hesitation all those materials that you suspect may have been previously frozen and shouldn't have been. Elevate all paper and cardboard cartons-rustable metal ones, too-clear of wet floors. Make sure all tightenable caps and lids are tight. And for good measure, throw out all superseded formulations that you will never use again. This goes, on the average, for about two-thirds of the junk you find lying around in bottles, jars, cartons, bags, boxes and tins this time of year.

rate at which it is growing and this, in turn, depends on the variable factors of heat, light and day length. Unless you stretch the daylight hours with artificial light, it is pretty obvious that indoor plants do the most growing exactly when outdoor plants are doing the same: in summer, when day length and heat are at a maximum. This is when they want to grow, and this is the time for maximum applications of fertilizer to make sure the growth is strong, healthy and floriferous.

Don't make the mistake, though, of thinking that one heavy application of fertilizer early in the season is going to keep plants in prime growing condition throughout the season. Like people, plants need food at frequent and regular intervals: Too much at one time is simply wasted. In bright, sunshiny warm weather, any normal house plant should have a mild liquid feeding every ten days. In dark, cool, cloudy weather the interval should be lengthened, and fall and early winter, when days are short, with little of either light or heat, feeding should be stopped entirely. However, don't forget that the days begin to lengthen and the light to strengthen about the first of January, and this is the time when house plants begin to "sit up and take a little nourishment."

7. PESTS. As with human diseases, the time to bring plant ailments under control is before they have time to get a foothold and do real damage. This means keeping a sharp eye on your house plants. examining every suspicious symp-

tom and dealing with it immediately and, if need be, drastically. A leaf, for instance, that seems to be dying of disease, should be removed and burned immediately, before it has a chance to infect others. The same rule applies to bugs: The very first mealybug that appears should be swiped away with an alcohol-soaked swab-it may quickly become dozens if left alone. Syringing, too, is an important part of bug control. Aphids, for instance, are quite easy to drown, and a little extra attention when plants are being given their regular shower bath will take care of them.

8. HUMIDITY. Plants, by and large, prefer an atmosphere as damp as it can possibly be. This level of humidity is not quite ideal for people, though, so we have to compromise by giving house plants an atmosphere as close to the one they like as may be feasible in the room within which they have to live. Syringing, spoken of earlier, is one highly effective way of giving each individual plant its individual climate of dampness. A few plants are so demanding in this respect that they need syringing every day. Setting the pots on a tray of wet pebbles, again, is a help, so long as we remember to keep the pebbles wet. An up-todate heating system, with air that is automaticaly humidified, will go a long way to giving house plants the dampness they need, but even this is usually not quite enough, so try, by hook or crook, to get those few extra droplets of humidity into the air that immediately surrounds each plant.

FOR A SOUTH WINDOW continued

succulent-like many of its kin, its chief glory is the constant procession of small but brilliant red blossoms along the flexible, sparse-leaved stems. It does best in porous soil, in full sun. May be trained like an espalier. 3. Punica granatum nana (dwarf pomegranate). Airy and graceful slender-stemmed shrub with narrow leaves and bright orangered flowers set in big round calyces. Although it requires full sun, it should be only moderately watered, in porous well-drained soil. 4. Cissus antarctica (see other three windows). 5. Aglaonema pseudo-bracteatum (see north win-

dow). 6. Zebrina pendula quadricolor (see east window). These members of the tradescantia family will thrive almost anywhere. 7. Nephrolepis exaltata (see east and north windows). 8. Spathiphyllum clevelandii (color, page 164). Fleshy, dark green lance-shaped leaves in great bursts from the roots. Flowers, though sparse, are almost continuous-white spathes around rod-like spadixes. Requires fertile loam, extra fertilization (occasional dilute fish emulsion is good) and repotting every two years or so. Continuous, even moisture. 9. Siderasis fuscata (see north window).

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