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This kitchen plan saves me a hundred steps every day

LET ME make one thing clear right at the start. As much as I'd like to take credit for having worked out my kitchen arrangement, I can't do it. It was all the result of a lucky accident. Here's the way it happened:

I was getting a new Armstrong's Linoleum Floor in my kitchen. George Kane and one of the men from his store came out to install it. They discovered that some of the floor boards were in bad shape. "No use putting down a fine new floor like this until we get things right underneath," Mr. Kane said. "I'll get a carpenter to fix it, but it's going to mean you'll be torn up for an extra day or two." That's how my refrigerator got left out in the middle of the room. There wasn't any other place to put it.

I was a little upset by the idea until I made a discovery while I was getting dinner that evening. Never in my life had I been able to cook a meal with so little effort and waste motion. With the refrigerator so close to the sink and the stove, everything was right there within arm's reach.

When Mr. Kane came with the carpenter the next morning, he said, "We'll try to have your

refrigerator back where it belongs by evening."

"I'm not so sure I want it there," I said. I'd been doing a lot of thinking and some measuring. There was room enough behind the refrigerator for the little dining nook I'd always wanted. I saw, too, that I could get an extra cabinet and add some badly needed storage and work space in an island arrangement. I could get even more storage room with some shallow cabinets on the wall space that the refrigerator had been wasting.

So, instead of just getting a new Armstrong Floor, I finally wound up with a whole new kitchen. I know it's a little unorthodox in plan, but I wouldn't trade it for any other kitchen that I've seen. If we ever build a house, I'll just duplicate this kitchen—right down to the Armstrong's Linoleum on the floor and on the cabinet tops.

This step-saving kitchen, planned with the refrigerator in the center of the room, cuts down housework. Another work-saver is the easy-to-clean floor of Armstrong's Linoleum. The design here is Style No. 5810 in Armstrong's Embossed, a type of linoleum noted for its modern texture and beautiful color. It's easy to see how much it adds to the attractiveness of this kitchen. That's Armstrong's Linoleum on the counter tops, too—and there's Armstrong's Cushiontone® on the ceiling to quiet noise. For a free list of furnishings and a complete plan of this room, just write.

As I said, I can't take credit for the idea behind my kitchen plan, but I can for the floor I picked. I hadn't realized how many steps I'd save by moving my refrigerator to the center of the room, but it was no surprise to learn that Armstrong's Linoleum was a work-saver, too. For a few months after we were married I had a kitchen floor that taught me a lesson I haven't forgotten. That's why the first thing I said to Mr. Kane was, "I want linoleum, and it must be Armstrong's."

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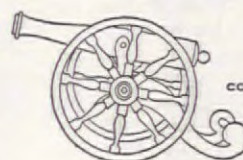
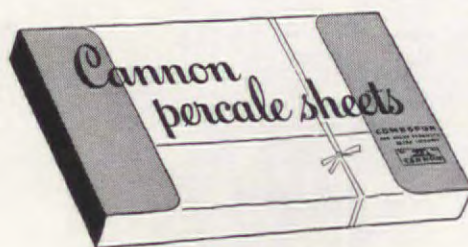
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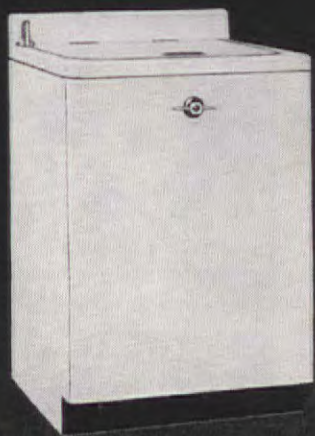
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... **HOPE DAHLE JORDAN**, the lady who expresses herself so forcefully in "Everybody's Doing It" (page 47) is Wisconsin born and educated. She did time in a New York advertising agency after graduation. After marriage in the Little Church Around The Corner, her husband's business transfers kept them on the move until they recently settled down in Milwaukee for good, they hope. She's a short story writer, too.



... **J. LEONARD RUSH, A.I.A.**, is the architect-owner of the Detroit ranch house. Mr. Rush, who hails from the Sleepy Hollow section of the Hudson River Valley, has long been a champion of the small house. He worked with FHA in 1937 and helped guide the then new housing authority. His wife is the inspiration behind the well-designed interiors of the house. Both believe in plenty of color.



... **ANNA MAY WILSON** worked those wizard-like wonders in the Trouts' kitchen (see page 68). Alternating babies and education, Mrs. Wilson has accumulated an R.N., a B.S. in Home Economics from Syracuse University, art and journalistic training, three girls and a boy. Oh, yes—she's also a busy doctor's wife. In the last two years, she's remodeled 21 kitchens, has four in the works.



... **MAURICE R. KYNE** is a Nebraska boy who wound up in California. He entered the Army in 1944 and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Seriously wounded (he was awarded a Silver Star and a D.S.C.), he spent three years in Army hospitals where he developed an interest in photography. His father, whose hobby is raising flowers, cactus and succulents (see page 62), is one of his favorite models.



... **MARION HAMMETT'S** writing career has included adaptations for the screen, fiction, articles, and a government job where she wrote speeches for officials, radio scripts, and magazine articles. She has been free-lancing for the last three years, concentrating mostly on children, family life, and economics. (See "Are You a Ready-Made Parent?" on page 14.) She has two children herself.



... **JOHN W. STEINMANN**, who is the architect for the two Wisconsin houses shown on page 64, comes by his calling naturally. His mother was an artist and his father, an architect, pioneered for the modern conception of functional design of buildings. A graduate of the University of Illinois, he served 38 months in the Corps of Engineers. He now has his own office in his home town, Monticello.



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Wild Flowers at a Glance by M. C. Carey and Dorothy Fitchew. (Pellegrini & Cudahy) Price \$2.75 . . . An interesting, pleasing, and unique pocket-size guide book which describes and illustrates (in color) 264 plants commonly found in the United States, Canada, or the British Isles; or (as a result of natural spread) in all three places. Some of the English popular names (Jack-by-the-hedge, Codlins-and-cream, etc.) may puzzle American readers, but most of the subjects can easily be identified by the scientific names (helpfully explained), descriptions, and pictures (arranged by color). Especially useful for travelers, it will also bring English-speaking plant-lovers closer together. (Don't overlook the 6-in. measure conveniently die-stamped into the back cover.)

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Your Child's Leisure Time by Mildred Celia Letton and *Getting Along in the Family* by Jane Mayer. (Teachers College, Columbia University) Price 60 cents each . . . These are two pamphlets in a parent-teacher series written in simple, informative style with the purpose of fostering a better understanding of the mutual task of helping boys and girls to grow up successfully.

Landscape for Living by Garrett Eckbo. (Duell, Sloan & Pearce, Inc.) Price \$10.00 . . . Although this handsome and unusual book does not tell "how to lay out your home grounds," it is, for anyone interested in what landscape architecture (or design) is and does, or should do, one of the most illuminating and exciting volumes that has appeared in a long time. A "serious analysis, in terms of theory and practice, of landscape development in our culture," it is not light reading, but it is well worth any effort needed to read it carefully and thoughtfully. The modern format and arrangement reflect Mr. Eckbo's dynamic, broad-gauge ideas and approach. As his professional work is having a profound impression on its field, so this book should profoundly influence its literature, readers, and practitioners.

Menaboni's Birds by Sara Menaboni, illustrated by Athos Menaboni. (Rinehart) Price \$10.00 . . . Since childhood, Italian-born artist, Athos



Menaboni, has been deeply interested in birds. In 1938, his Georgia-born wife helped him discover that he could make them the subject of his other major interest and life work—painting. To paint them, he must know them; to know them, he must live with them. So his models, from tiny sparrows to wild geese and eagles, share both outside and inside of his home (described in *THE AMERICAN HOME* July, 1946) and even his studio (to be described in an early issue). This, his wife's story of their

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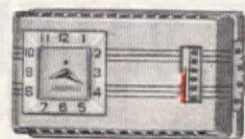
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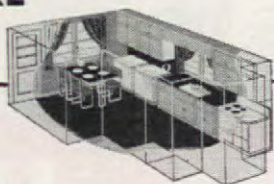
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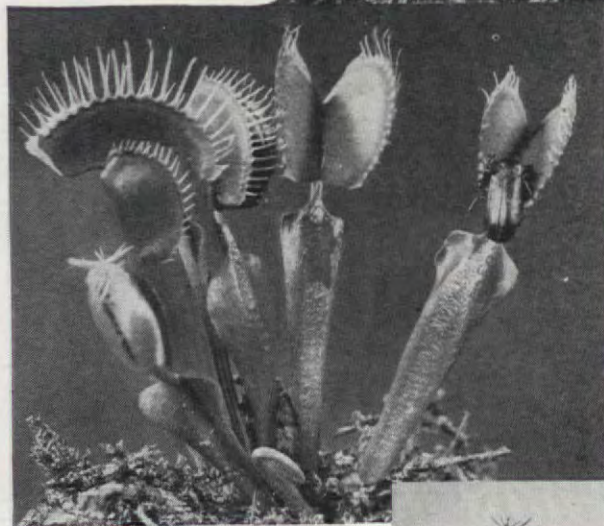
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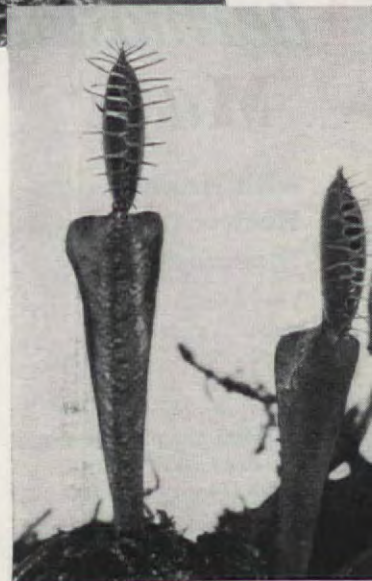
Look out it bites!

A Picture Story by Lilo Hess from Three Lions

What does? Why, this odd, not unattractive, white-flowered plant that grows in a small area in North and South Carolina. Its name is *Dionaea* (from a Greek name for Venus) *muscipula* (meaning fly-catcher); or, in English, "Venus fly-trap." Why such a name? Watch . . .



Unwary beetle (above), fly, or other insect climbs leaf stem to the two-lobed blade, hinged in the middle, edged with long, curved bristles. On the upper surface of the apparently harmless leaf are three pairs of sensitive hairs. As the insect touches them, the leaf closes, traps it, holds it! (right) Digestive fluids from the hairs gradually dissolve the prey, which the leaf then absorbs





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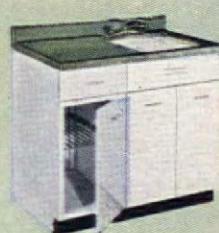
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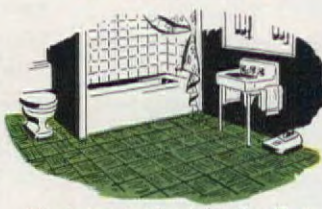


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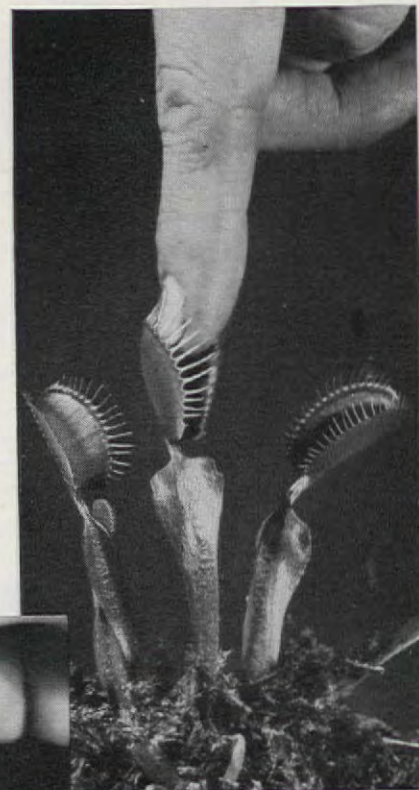
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MARION HAMMETT

As the divorce rate has increased in the last decade, thousands of husbands and wives have taken on a new role. They have entered a marriage which makes them ready-made parents. Some walked into the part with their own idea of how to play it. Others decided to play it unrehearsed.

Either way, these men and women who acquired a ready-made family found that they were faced with problems of which they never even dreamed.

For instance, there was the case of Mary Dawson. When she married Bill, she knew, of course, that he had been divorced two years before she even met him. She also knew that there was a boy, about twelve years old, who lived with his mother in Cleveland.

What Mary *didn't* know was that Bill's ex-wife would send the boy to New York to live with his father. The idea of sharing her new and romantic marriage with a grown child was something Mary hadn't bargained for. The boy's obvious resentment of his stepmother wasn't much of a help, either.

As an intelligent woman, Mary decided to face the problem squarely. She read books on how to bring up children. She was kind and tried to be understanding. She did everything she could think of to make the boy happy. But no matter what she did, it was always wrong. The boy was sulky and disobedient.

Mary never complained to Bill about the problem. She tried hard—oh, how she tried. In desperation, she finally visited an old friend, Sara Deming, who was chief of a large social work agency. If she didn't get some advice soon, Mary felt that her marriage would break up.

The social worker told Mary that the boy's resentment was based a good deal on his feeling of insecurity.

"But why?" Mary wanted to know. "We've done everything to make him happy. He has a good home, and I've done everything I can think of."

"Yes, but don't you see," Sara Deming said, "that a child's affections are not elastic. He had always divided his affections between his parents. Now an outsider takes his mother's place in his father's life. It takes time for a child to figure out how to divide his loyalties."

This tricky question of divided loyalties is haunting children and married couples all over the country. All too often youngsters are the ones who suffer most when a home is broken up. Remarriage by the parents may bring happiness to them, but it leaves the stepchild facing an emotional maze with little more than a sense of loss to guide him.

Youngsters are much more conscious of their emotional surroundings than many people realize—especially people who are in love. It is hard for a child to fit his loyalties into this new pattern of having one of his parents replaced by a stranger.

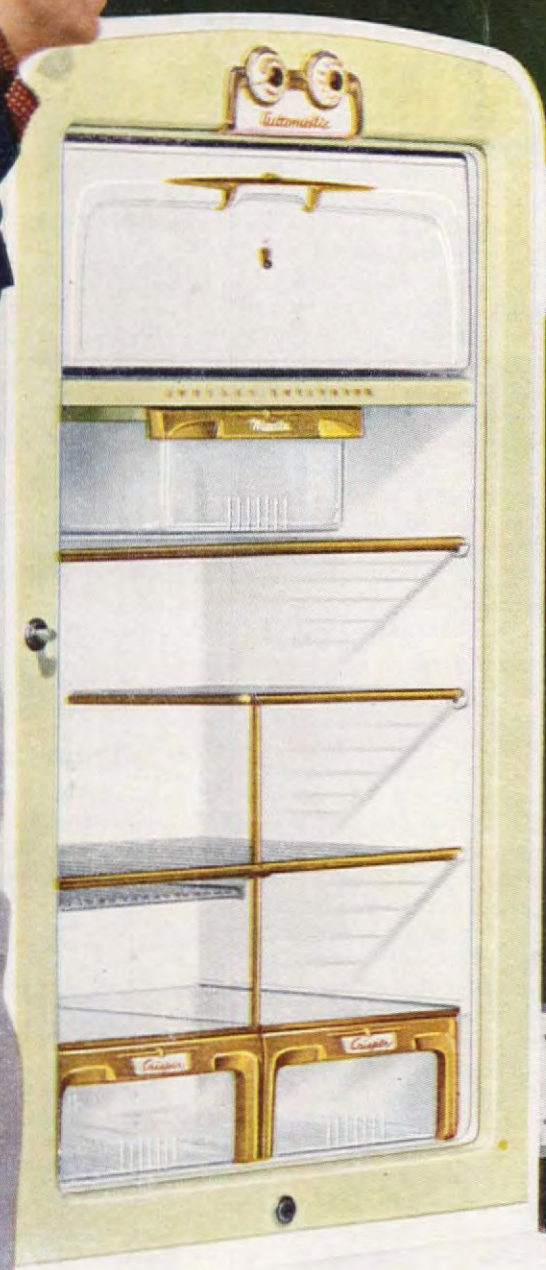
Mary Dawson listened to all this. She certainly felt sympathy for the boy and knew that the breaking up of Bill's first marriage must have been a blow to him.

"But what about me?" Mary asked. "Don't you think the boy is old enough to recognize that I have some rights? I married his father because we love each other. I have a right to some happiness—happiness without the care of a resentful youngster under my roof."

"Of course," said her friend. "But all that should have been discussed before your marriage. Your husband should have recognized his responsibilities to his boy. The child needs a father as well as a mother. Also as adults you can think things through more clearly. This boy needs a better break than most other

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Do you suppose your Mrs. Rowley would take pity on us? And I do think more pictures and in color of her garden would be appreciated by all of us beginners. So many wonders are described by you and so few show, I don't think you do her or us justice.

—MRS. RUSSELL BRUNO

We've loved your attitude for years, and now that we are living in this old house (built in 1786) in a wee borough with little chance to shop except by mail, you're nothing less than a godsend.

Wonder if you ever really think about that angle when you're getting March copy together in November. There are those of us who have lived in cities always, who, suddenly, have to travel miles to shop. By the time we get to any shopping center—and browse and stumble trying to locate the mart we need, it's time to meet father in the parking lot (which we never can find)—so we've learned to do a lot of things for ourselves.

Without you we'd be desolate. But we came our own chairs which we've dragged home from a country auction. We bring home dismal cupboards and either restore them to their original wood or, if they're pretty well "beat up," shall we say, we haul out all of the last five years' copies of THE AMERICAN HOME and hunt up some painting suggestions. So—thank you for assembling your booklet for us.

Lots of times I can't see my house, because I live in it. But I know full well that those of you who can be thrilled by an old house would swoon at the possibilities in this one.

The house is warm and lovable. It has all-plank walls, one plastered ceiling which is now painted yellow. Layers—8 or 10—of wallpaper were steamed and pulled off. Then we got

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1/3 cup hot milk	1/2 tsp. vanilla
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Smooth and creamy for Devil's Food or any chocolate cake. Melt butter and chocolate together over hot water. Stir hot milk into sugar and salt; add vanilla. Add chocolate mixture, beating until thick. Spread on cool cake. Decorate sides with chopped Diamond Walnuts; arrange plump walnut halves on top to complete the luscious picture.

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1 egg white, unbeaten	1/2 tsp. vanilla
Dash of salt	1/2 cup chopped raisins or dates
3/4 cup sugar	1/4 cup candied cherries
3 tbsps. water	1/2 cup chopped Diamond Walnuts
1 tsp. light corn syrup	

Combine first 5 ingredients in double boiler; place over boiling water; beat with rotary beater about 4 min., till stiff enough to stand in peaks. Remove from heat; add vanilla and beat 1 or 2 min. more. Fold in fruits and walnuts. Looks and tastes gorgeous on white cake—spice cake, too!



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Letters

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It was built for a residence, then came the canal with its tow path and it became a canal house where guests were cared for overnight—many undoubtedly slept in the loft. And the big fireplace in the Keeping Room cooked good food for them.

How did I get into all this? I only started to send my order, hoping that I could offer the book to several gals who come here each Thursday night to the Putter Club. It's just that.

Right now one of the gals who never painted anything is doing canisters and is in the labor room. The canisters may be born any week now. Shall we notify you? She's using one of your designs.—KAY MORRISON

Several months ago when a recipe I submitted was selected and won a prize, my friends flung at me, "Well, you have the time!", as though time were the only requisite. So from here on I defend myself.

I have been thankful many times that as a bride (I could barely boil water, as the saying goes), I decided to do two things: attend a cooking school, and subscribe to THE AMERICAN HOME magazine. Since 1933, I have faithfully clipped each month's recipes and filed them after successful preparation and serving. My utmost satisfaction occurs when my results are comparable to the pictured recipes. All I know about cooking, I learned. But I must confess I come by it naturally. My mother was a wonderful cook. Although I refused to take lessons from her, I must have absorbed her talent. And my father was a food-dabbler, the artistic type—a sprig of parsley here, a dash of lemon there. From him, I inherit whatever flair I have. So, when I hear, "You have the time!" as the one concession to an accomplishment—be it cooking, rearing my daughter, decorating my home, or holding my husband's interest after 17 years of marriage—I take the comment with a grain of salt and thank my lucky stars that I take the time. No one person has an option on time. It's for free!—LEE MARIE BUSICCO

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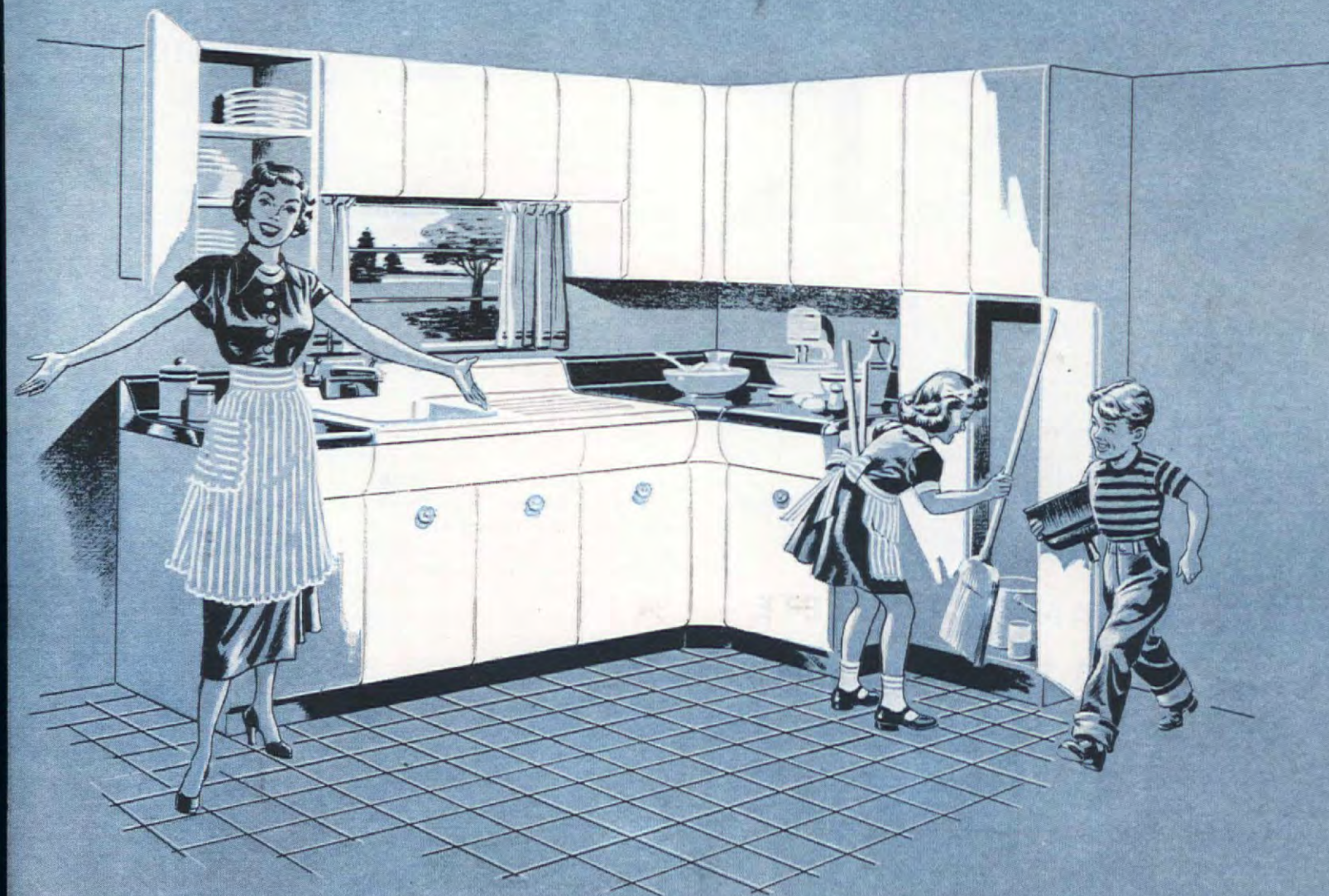
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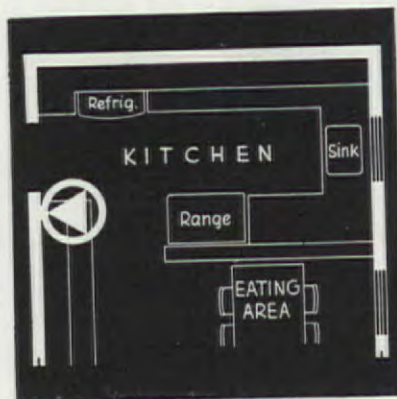
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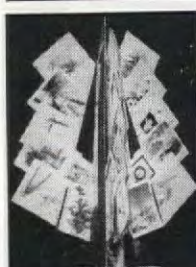
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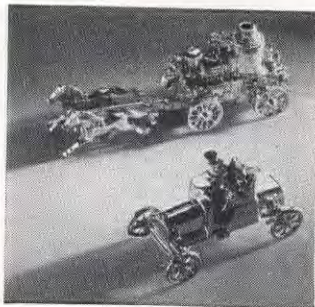
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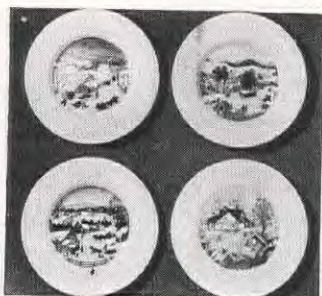
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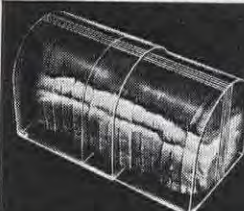
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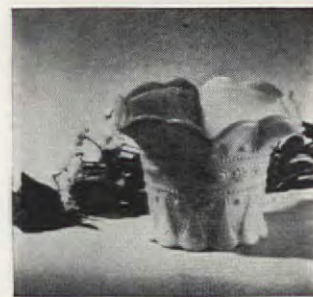
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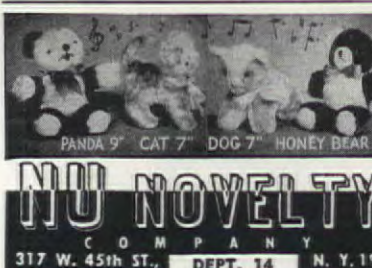


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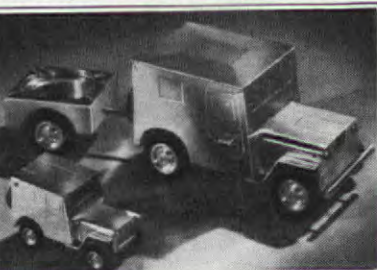
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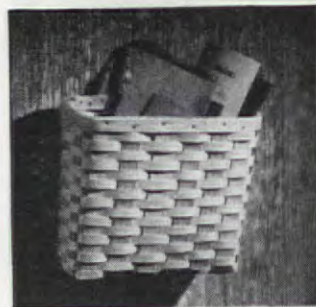
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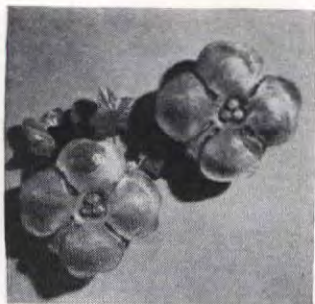
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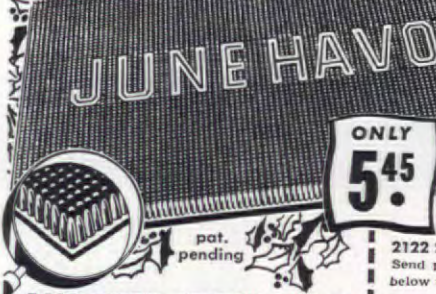
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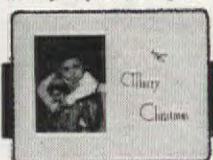
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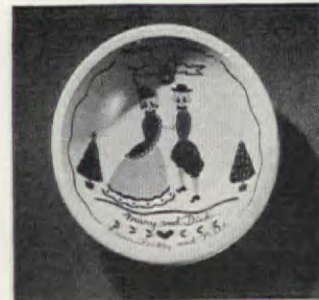
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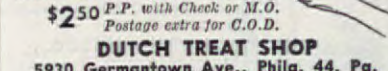
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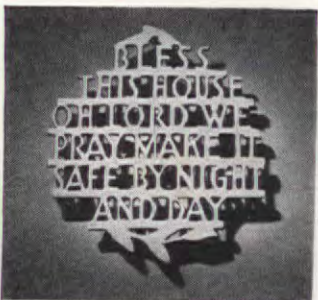
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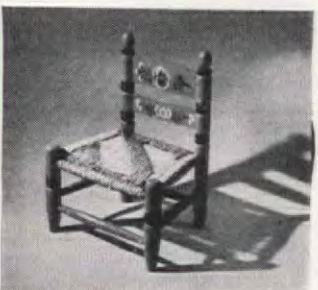
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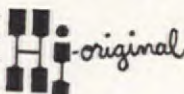
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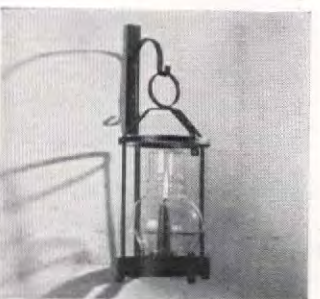




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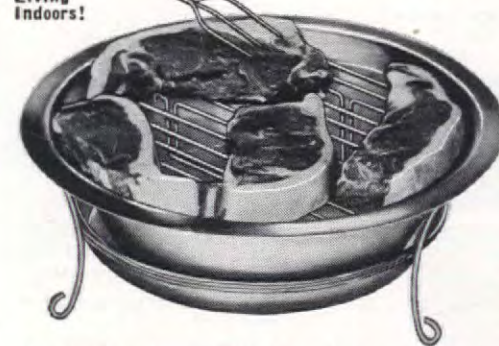
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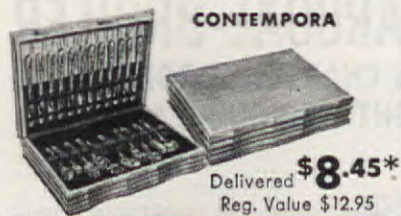
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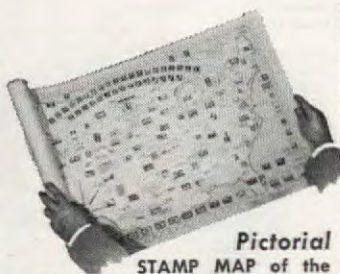


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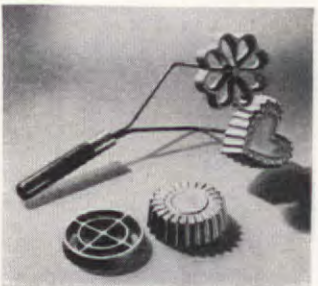
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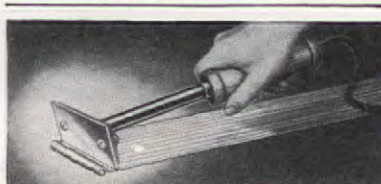
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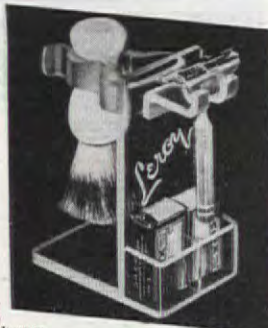
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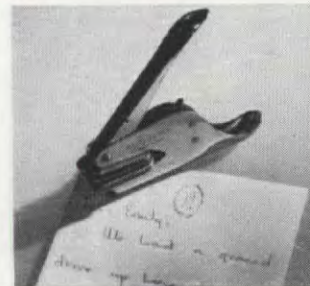
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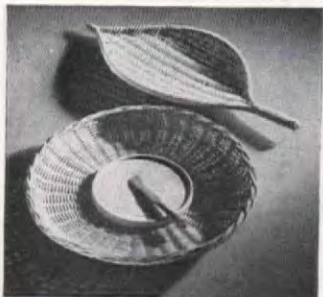
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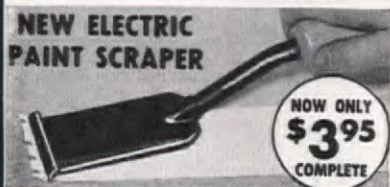
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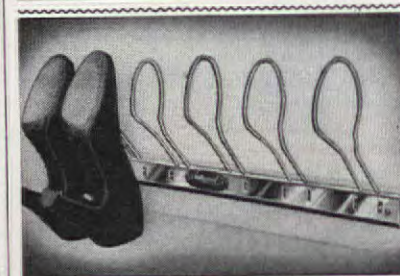
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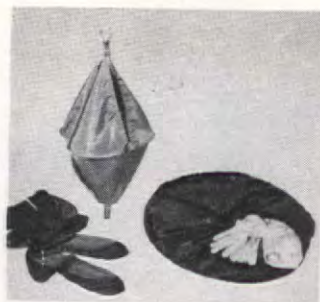
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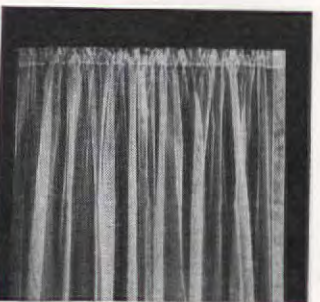
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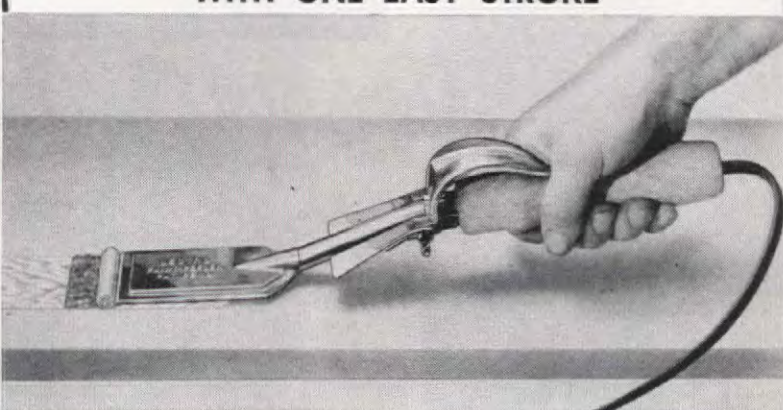
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In making wreaths, the Williamstown "Greens Committee" follows the "assembly-line" pattern

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GOOD DEEDS... from Christmas Wreaths

Up in the "woods and templed hills" of Williamstown, Massachusetts, the members of one of the country's smaller garden clubs have, in a subtle but simple way, discovered that hard work can be fun and at the same time

profitable. This has proved true especially in connection with the club's annual sale of Christmas greens which consistently, for several years, has been a big success.

Since hundreds of articles have to be literally handmade for this event, which takes place about a week before Christmas, the preliminary work has to be started long before that [like the editorial work on a December issue!—Editor]. It begins with the scouting for material with which to make the wreaths, sprays, swags, and other ornamental arrangements which come under the general title of "Christmas decorations." These scouting and collecting expeditions are supervised by the club's so-called "Greens Committee," which is appointed to assist the membership in the search for and use of suitable materials. The familiar evergreen sprays and cones are by no means the only things gathered by these Christmas-sale enthusiasts. Dried weeds, seed stalks and pods, and all kinds of roadside, field, and forest material are brought home and stored away in attics and cellars in readiness for the next stage of the project, when many of them are artfully camouflaged so as to be hardly



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The annual Christmas greens sale is held about a week before the holidays in the village Inn. As much care goes into the display as into the making of the decorations

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recognized. For this phase of their activities, the willing workers gather in various homes for all-day painting parties which, for reasons obvious to all homemakers, usually center in the basement. Here tables are set up for the members' convenience, newspapers or other protective covers are spread out, paint cans are opened (with the customary difficulty), brushes for different purposes are chosen, and the enjoyable task of transforming the drab and the dun into the bright, sparkling, and gay begins. Spikes, plumes, and variously shaped seed vessels, weeds, grasses, and branches are lightly touched with white, silver, and gold to prepare them for the more modernistic compositions. Some may be tinged with the more prosaic red or blue, but evergreen sprays, cones, and berries are, in the main, left in their natural condition for making wreaths, swags, and other traditional decorations.

After a few days of painting, wiring of cones, and sorting of evergreens, the busy club members move to other homes where the work of actually making up the wreaths, etc., is to be done. Here, the project follows the assembly-line pattern: as soon as a wreath is given shape by binding small pieces of sweet-smelling balsam to a wire-ring frame, it is passed along to the "trimmers," who give it the final artistic touch and the stamp of originality that is so sought after by the public. For this particular purpose, cones and berries are bunched and wired together in an intimate way not ordinarily seen in nature; this, too, gives opportunity for the expression of the personalities of the different workers. However, it is in the making of the other, less formalized, arrangements that the members of the club get a real chance to show the versatility of their ideas and add materially to the value of the different articles when, at last, they go on sale.

On the morning of the long-awaited and generously publicized event, the finished products are picked up at the various workrooms and taken to the village Inn, where they are arranged and displayed to best advantage. The wreaths are hung in the midst of a gay yuletide setting, colorful table and mantel arrangements are effectively grouped, tiny decorated Christmas trees have a place of their own where they shine and sparkle irresistibly. Everything is hung or spread out in a well-planned profusion that not only appeals but also creates a joyous Christmas atmosphere and a general feeling of good cheer.

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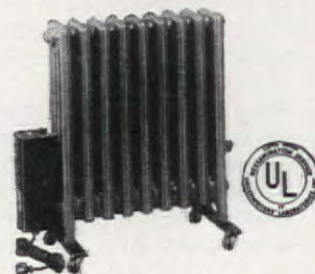
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anything else, least of all of the hours of hard work that have led up to it. But at the end, after the last item has been disposed of, the weary, but happy, members of the Greens Committee and the club pause to rejoice that once more their efforts have been amply rewarded, as several hundred more dollars have been added to the fund that is used by the club to sponsor various worthy causes.

What sort of causes? Well, of late the profits from the Christmas sales have been donated to the local Cancer Fund, to swell the annual Red Cross drive, and to aid a nearby hospital. But, don't forget that, in addition, the sales that made these contributions possible provided many families of the community with tasteful, original, decorative arrangements with which to make their holidays brighter and more enjoyable, that they probably could not have made themselves or otherwise obtained. And remember, furthermore, that the hours spent in gathering the materials and turning them into merchandise were happy hours for all concerned. Is it any wonder that we of Williamstown think of our project as something that benefits everybody—something that, like Portia's quality of mercy, "blesseth him that gives and him that takes."



Tiny Christmas trees, bright and sparkling with tinsel, shining balls, and other traditional delights make their appeal from a well-chosen corner of the exhibition



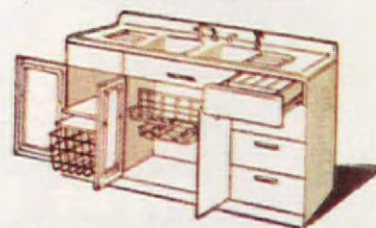
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Everybody's Doing It

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Mostly, sheep are four-legged animals who spend their time in pastures. But there's another kind! They have two legs, they drive on Sundays through the nicer, newer suburbs. They copy this, they copy that. . .

Do you remember the days when we had big hair-bows with little girls attached to them? Today, we have huge sheets of glass with houses attached. Right now, probably the feature in a home most frequently imitated with the greatest lack of judgment is the picture window. The first picture window was an inspiration, planned by someone with the soul of an artist, the imagination of a poet. The result was a masterpiece which brought a beautiful vista right into the home to be enjoyed. It was planned for a purpose. The second, twentieth, hundredth picture window was planned for that same purpose: to frame a lovely view. To *picture*! It was functional, and the function was beauty.

Now imitation, not the flattering kind, has set in like

a disease and everybody who builds or remodels simply must have picture windows. And what do they picture? Why, streetcar tracks, or garbage cans, or traffic-congested highways, or a brick wall, or other "picture" windows where the draperies are tightly drawn day and night because "it's like living in Gimbel's show-window." Perhaps, as in one Chicago home, the immense window faces directly into the nearby window of the house next door. A "picture" all right. A moving picture. But neither family enjoys it.

The picture windows not only bring the outdoors into the home; they put the inside of the home right out on the boulevard. If you drive in the evening in the districts where new homes are being built, how many dozens have you seen with an immense window overlooking traffic, a big lamp or a vase of flowers squarely in the middle of it—and *nobody* in the room? A picture, all right! But not for those who live in the house, and that is where



Comfortable viewing arrangement around a "picture" window for a view that isn't there!

Photographs by Ben Schnall, Maynard L. Parker



In the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Telie, decorator Alfred Messner arranges a comfortable grouping around a "picture" window that frames a beautiful picture of desert and mountains

Everybody's Doing It

... or how
a magnificent idea
can be abused

the type of imitators without common sense have made their mistake. They planned from the outside in, instead of from the inside out.

A few years ago the prevailing cry was: "You simply must paint your woodwork white! Everybody's doing it..."

As in the case of the first picture window, it was some really inspired person who had first created beauty in a home—this time with cans of white paint. Then, the good imitators, those with taste and sense, picked up the idea. Then came just plain imitators and, when the fad for white woodwork was at its height, it was criminal the way slavish people daubed paint over beautifully grained wood for which, today, we would pay almost any price—if we could get it. But "white" was the rage, you know!

Today, there's another prevailing cry. If you paper or paint a bedroom or kitchen or even a living room, what are you advised? ... "you simply must have one wall different from the rest. Everybody's doing it!"

It's become a formula: three walls plain, one wall figured. Or, vice versa. Follow the crowd. Does it make sense in your home? Who cares? The alcove, the dining bay in a living room, the reason behind the original inspiration for combining wall-papers or paints—is it there in your home? No. We'll just say "eeny, meeny," and there will be the wall that will be different from the others. Common sense? Good taste? No, we'll just be sheep and tag along with the rest of the crowd.

When you copy, be sure there is a reason. If you spend the money to put a large pane of glass in your home, you want the pane, not the pain! Be wary of fads. What everybody else is doing in their homes, you think over a long time before you do it.

Roscoe Laing



Fred Gund

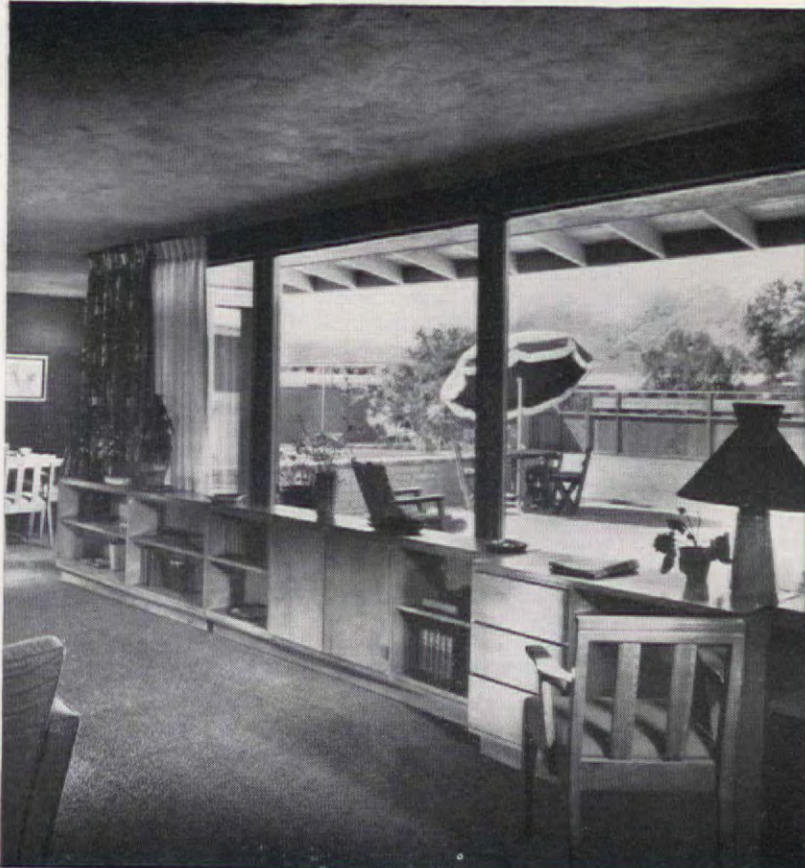


Picture windows can not only bring the outdoors into the home—they can also put the inside of the home right out on the street corner. Common sense dictates that if you crave a picture window and have only a street view, that the house be set far enough back on the plot to gain maximum privacy

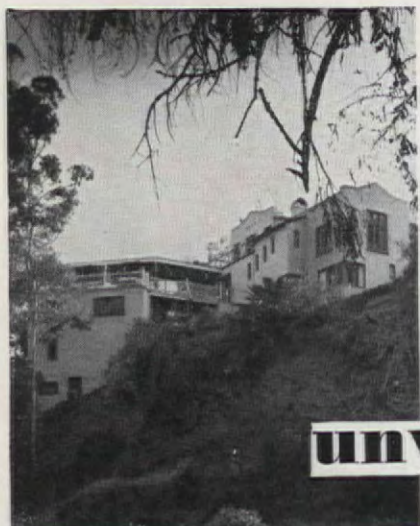
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Keep enough in the budget to plant yourself in if your "picture" is to be your neighbor's garage or drying yard! We can't all have dramatic sea, desert or mountains. Make your own lovely "picture"—but be sure you can control it after you've contrived it. Decorator, Martha Weaver of Barker Brothers



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There had been the usual haphazard caravan of prospective buyers who had looked at the stark, ugly stucco house before the Goods came along, but they were all afraid of it. The known list of necessary repairs scared them. The mention of termites can be and usually is terrifying for the reason that termites may be known to exist, but the extent of damage they have done remains guesswork. One wall of the den-sitting room had caved in. The whole house was in sad need of a paint job. It was overgrown with a thicket of shrubs and a tangle of vines. The neighbors, with a natural prejudice against a dark, empty house, had tried to have it condemned and, failing that, were about ready to buy it and tear it down. Now, its proud owners, the John V. Goods, do not pull a long face about any of this. To be sure there were termites. The house had gone to seed. It needed a lot of work to reclaim its respect among its comfortable, well-kept neighbors. The Goods could see this themselves. What they couldn't see, they were told. What they accomplished is little short of a miracle.

Mr. Good, an embryo architect who studied architecture in college and then became a legitimate-stage and later a motion-picture actor, did the structural work in their project; Mrs. Good, a former actress, the interior decorating. Together, they brought the great gift of willingness to work for a home, the rare gift of vision that could see the charming, comfortable home they have now. It's relatively easy to restore a historical gem—but research on pseudo-Mediterranean stucco jobs is scarce. Few good reclamation examples exist and, because our South, Southwest and West Coast are studded with these "hopeless" houses, the Good house should spur many another back into respectability and good living for their owners.

The neighbors did not get the house condemned—because the Goods bought it and promptly set to work. The caved-in wall of the den-sitting room was easily understood and the cost of repair in this case could be fairly accurately determined, just as the cost of painting could be done. The broken wall was not a serious matter. Being a hillside house, downhill drainage had been neglected in late years. It merely meant diverting waterfall to the right and to the left of the house and rebuilding a few feet of brick



Ordinarily it would be grossly unfair to contrast such charming color with the drab "before" photograph at left. In the Good case, it's a definitely fair comparison

Photographs by George de Gennaro



Sunken fireplace in living room is two-sided for dining room enjoyment. Dated vaulted ceiling, different height French windows overcome by color and valance treatment

MARTHA B. DARBYSHIRE



Convivial raised hearth allows for conversation as well as view from dining to living rooms. Linen storage under shuttered and chintz-upholstered recess. Our cover girls, Mrs. Good and daughter Sharon, in the chocolate-brown and pink den-sitting



room. Rose and beige woolen fabrics, sailcloth, raw silk curtains. (Mr. Good bought wool for a jacket—Mrs. Good covered a chair with it before his tailor got it.) Book wall opens for record, magazine, and film storage. (Detail, page 114)



wall. It was the termites then that had everyone buffaloed—everyone except Mr. and Mrs. Good! They were younger, more optimistic than any of the other prospective buyers, and *they*, to their eternal gratification, *took the chance*. It *was* a gamble but it paid off. The underpinnings of the house were solid. The termite damage was negligible. While investigation was going on, however, they added some modern structural foundation strength which is only a wise precaution in rejuvenating an old house—especially one that is hung on the side of a hill. As a result, they have the comfortable assurance that their perch is firmly, substantially grounded.

Mr. Good planned, and with the help of competent carpenters and masons, executed all of the major and minor remodeling changes. Fortunately, architecture is not merely an art of putting up a front. In this case, it included breaking through the back wall of the living-room fireplace from the dining-room side so that both rooms now share the pleasure of the same open firebox. It called, too, for

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Breakfast room end of kitchen is furnished with old pine, sings with color. As elsewhere in house, antiques are there to function

SHUTTER DOOR, topped with Victorian bureau headpiece, now dedicated to Editor Austin's near-suicidal plunge from step. (1)

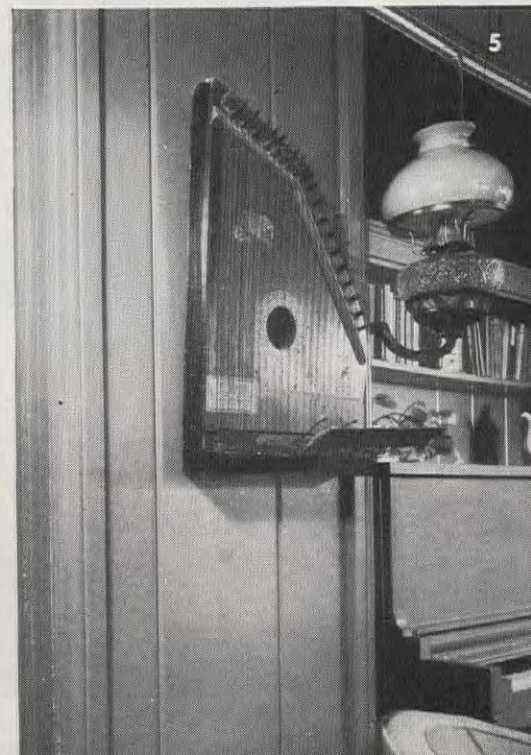
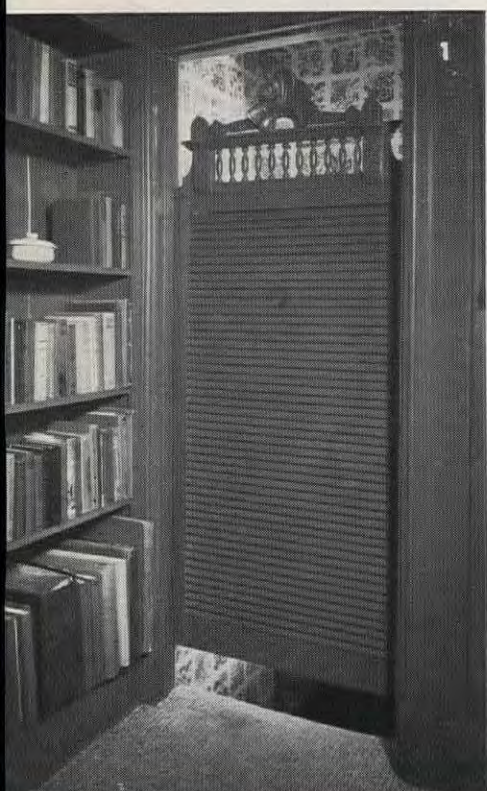
HANGING LAMP of old white china, like other old lamps throughout house, is electrified. (2)

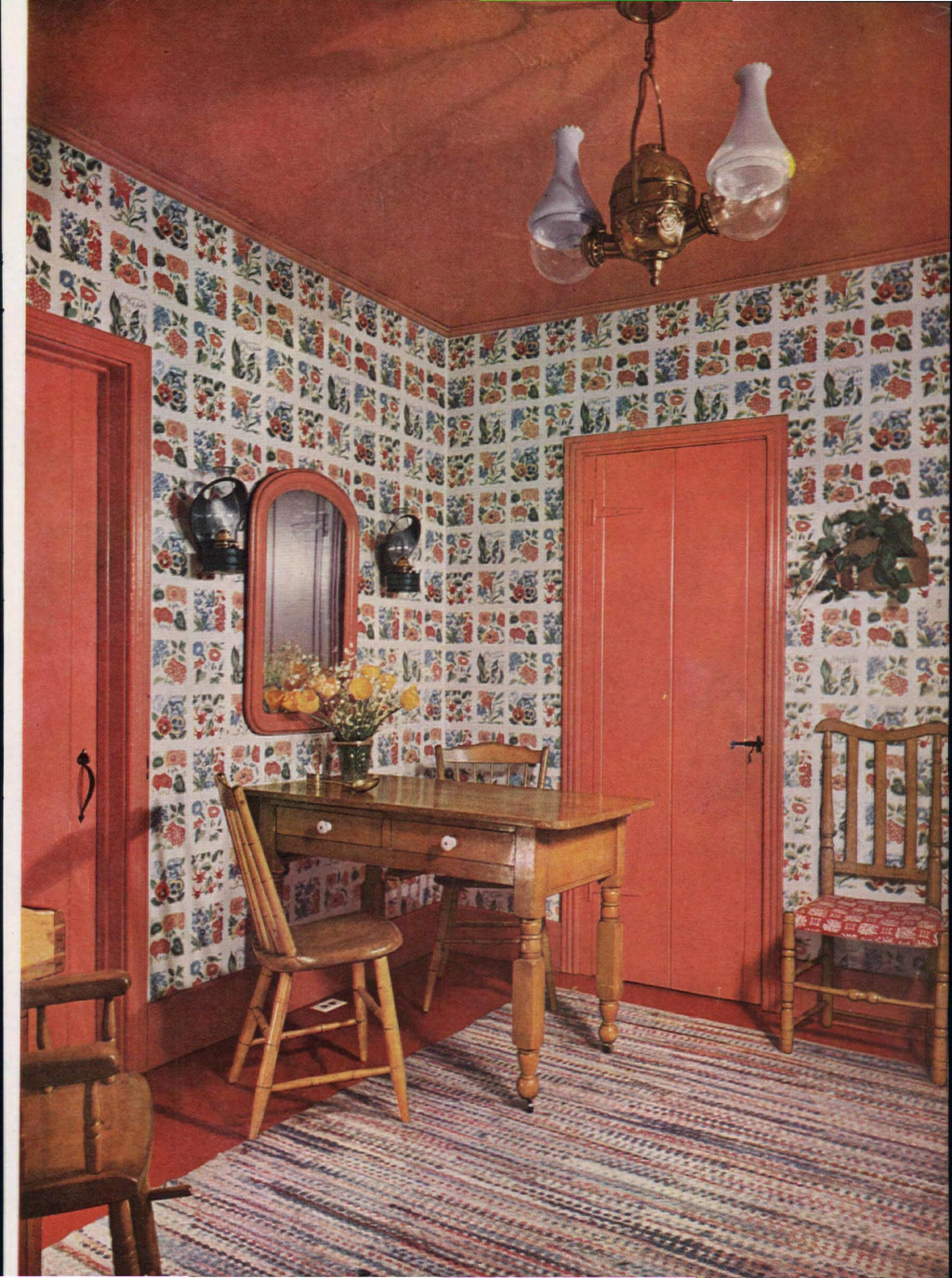
THE "PINK LADY" contemporizes heirloom walnut furniture with stylized wallpaper, white quilted chintz. (3)

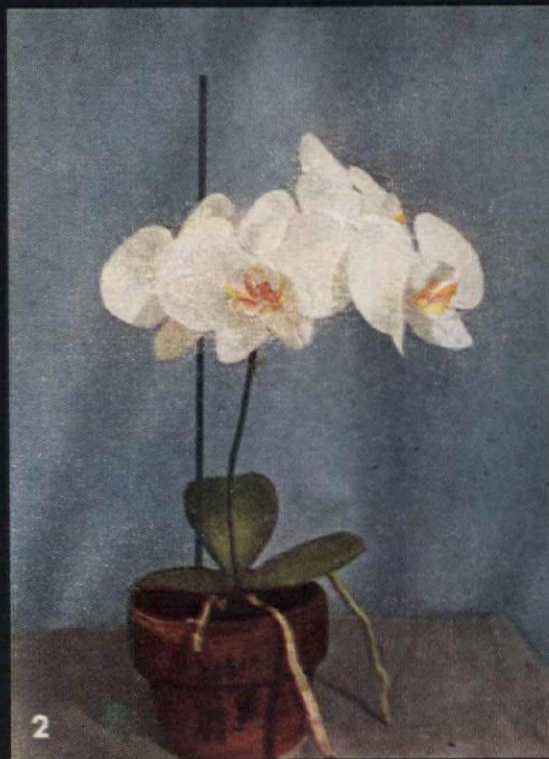
MELODEON utilized for dining room server. Antique brass hurricane lamps (electrified), nubby fabrics. (4)

ZITHER for loudspeaker, wall, not third man! Radio and record player in recessed den-living room closet. (5)

ENTRANCE HALL, on lowest of four floor levels, no longer bears resemblance to former cement basement effect. (6)







1. Among the 500 genera and thousands of species of orchids are many strange, interesting forms. This is *Brassia verrucosa*

2. The flower form gives the name "moth orchids" to those of the *Phalaenopsis* group, of which this plant is a young hybrid

3. *Coelogyne* (accent on log — as in loggia) *cristata*, from the Himalayas, is especially easy to grow and suitable for home culture

4. The 300 species of *Oncidiums* include some of the loveliest and most valuable spray orchids. This one is *O. ampliatum*

5. *Oncidium kramerianum* comes from northern South America and is called "butterfly orchid." Can you think of a better name?



Orchids in the Bronx

JEAN HERSEY

My husband and I have been raising and flowering orchids in our New York City living room for more than three years. Today, 16 snow-white blossoms with golden stamens are open on one *Coelogyne* plant. Another of our favorites has the beginning of a flower spike which, the book says, will climb six feet before it blooms. Apparently, we'll have to raise the roof!

There's no telling what will start you raising orchids. The small nunlike flower part in the heart of the one called the White Nun Orchid was our original undoing; almost immediately after we saw it we bought our first plant. The blossom of the Butterfly Orchid, with the figure of a dancing girl in the center, led us on to buy our second plant. Then, when we met the variety in which is a miniature replica of a small Dutch boy, complete with breeches, we were lost.

Out of our experience we say that anyone can grow orchids in the home—some orchids, that is. One enthusiast raises them in a city hotel bedroom window. [We grew one for three years and flowered it in our A. H. office—*Horticultural Editor*.] Like the baker who grows them in Brooklyn and an engineer over in New Jersey, all kinds of people are trying this increasingly popular and most satisfying pastime. The culture is simple, the rules are few, the delightful rewards are numerous. You, sir, can raise a corsage for your best girl or your wife; you, madam, can grow the bridal bouquet for your daughter's wedding. Moreover, the fun begins months ahead of flowering time and continues long after it. Not only the blossoming, but the whole growing cycle of an orchid is thrilling to watch.

The first big event is, naturally, your first flower. But an even greater thrill comes with the second. The plant, when you bought it, fresh from the nursery, might have been all set for the first blooming. But a year later,

the second flowering shows that it has completed its rhythm of growth under your care. You have grown it successfully! And *not* in a greenhouse.

Among the joys of orchid growing are these: The flowers last on the plants in perfect condition for from a few weeks to three months, depending on the variety. Many orchids are fragrant; so much so that the aroma of a flower can scent a whole room. Orchids behave with great individuality; the respective growing habits of the different kinds are varied and interesting to watch and study.

Popular misconceptions about orchids include ideas like these: 1. *All orchids are of the big "mink-coat" kind.* In reality, there are thousands of others than those flamboyant lavender-purple sorts; they come in about every rainbow color, even blue; some grow singly, some in sprays; some are large, others are small, etc. 2. *All orchids are delicate.* Actually a good many are surprisingly tough and hardy, resistant to changes in temperature; some will even withstand a light freeze or two. 3. *All orchids take seven years to bloom.* The fact is that you can purchase mature plants ready to flower for you in a few weeks, and which will bloom annually thereafter. 4. *All orchids are prohibitively expensive.* Not so. Plants of blooming size for house culture can be bought for as little as three dollars each. 5. *All orchids must be grown in a greenhouse.* Well, we have proved that they will grow in a living room. Some kinds flourish on an ordinary window sill; others grow well in a simple glass case which can be purchased or made at home. One big enough for a dozen plants should cost under ten dollars to build. In general, the best location is an east or west window. Strong light is essential, but it need not be continuous all day. A south window is



Photographs by Mark Tidd



Mrs. Hersey tells about their orchids, but the whole family enjoys them. Above, Mr. Hersey repots one, flanked by two *Cypripediums*. Here is the "orchidarium" in their living-room window

ideal if you hang a light-breaking shade of cheesecloth or a thin curtain between plants and window glass from March through October.

Of the details of home orchid culture, one of the most important is, don't overwater. Roots as well as tops need air so, when you do it, soak until water runs out the bottom of the pot, then wait until the roots are dry before doing it again. The drier a plant, the lighter it is, so by "hefting" a pot you can, with experience, tell when a watering is due. In an "orchidarium," a plant in a 5-inch pot will usually want water once a week; loose in the average house, every day or two. Frequent spraying of the top is necessary—at least once a day, and oftener if possible. Keep a filled rubber bulb sprayer handy and give your orchids a squirt whenever you think of it. However, if you forget to water them for a few days, no harm will result. Incidentally, rain water is better than tap water. Other than watering, orchids need only a few minutes' daily care, and little or no feeding since they get their sustenance from the water and the air. Hence, first thing every morning, open a window for a few minutes to freshen

Short on Ready Cash—Long



Photographs by F. M. Demarest



Corner of living room showing staircase wall, record unit, hanging shelf built by me. Betty made the slip covers and curtains. Dining room corner cupboard was my creation. Table is also a "Murdoch original"

When a young couple starts out to furnish and decorate a house today, it's no picnic, since many of us aren't overloaded with money, to say the least. By making most of our furniture by hand and using color to point up the entire scheme, we think the problem has been pretty well handled, and we're quite proud of ourselves.

We did buy three good basic upholstered pieces, a bedroom set, and a few Early American antiques, but after that there was very little left. So I, being brave and untried, decided to make the rest of our furniture. I'd had absolutely no experience.

First I made the corner cupboard shown in the dining-room picture. It took a lot of figuring and plan-drawing, but the actual work was surprisingly quick. Everything

was done with hand tools. You should have seen my shoulders snap up and my chest expand when some caller would make a beautiful remark about the "fine old piece in the corner." Such compliments naturally gave me more confidence, and by now if you dropped in, you'd see many original "Murdoch" pieces. Besides all the furniture, Betty did the slip covers and made all the cottage curtains. We also hung the wallpaper, paneled the walls, built closets, painted and refinished furniture—things we would have written off as impossible just a short time ago.

We read a lot of home magazines, asked for and received a lot of advice before we even started to work, but once you get your hands on the hammer, the saw, and the

on Ideas

I wouldn't have believed—until I'd done it—that I could panel a fireplace wall, but we decided knotty pine would provide the right background for Early American furnishings—so I was elected! I made the table from a butter churn and a bread board

Two discarded shutter doors were found in the neighborhood in good condition, except for many layers of paint that Betty and I removed. They will make attractive doors for our bedroom closet once they are fitted and freshly painted. Garage with the doors opened makes a practical workshop



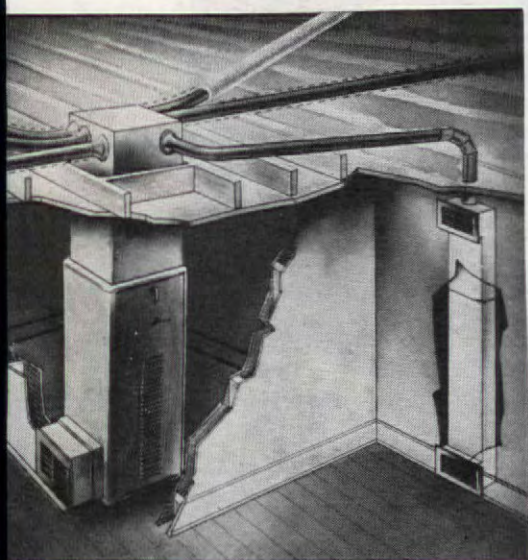
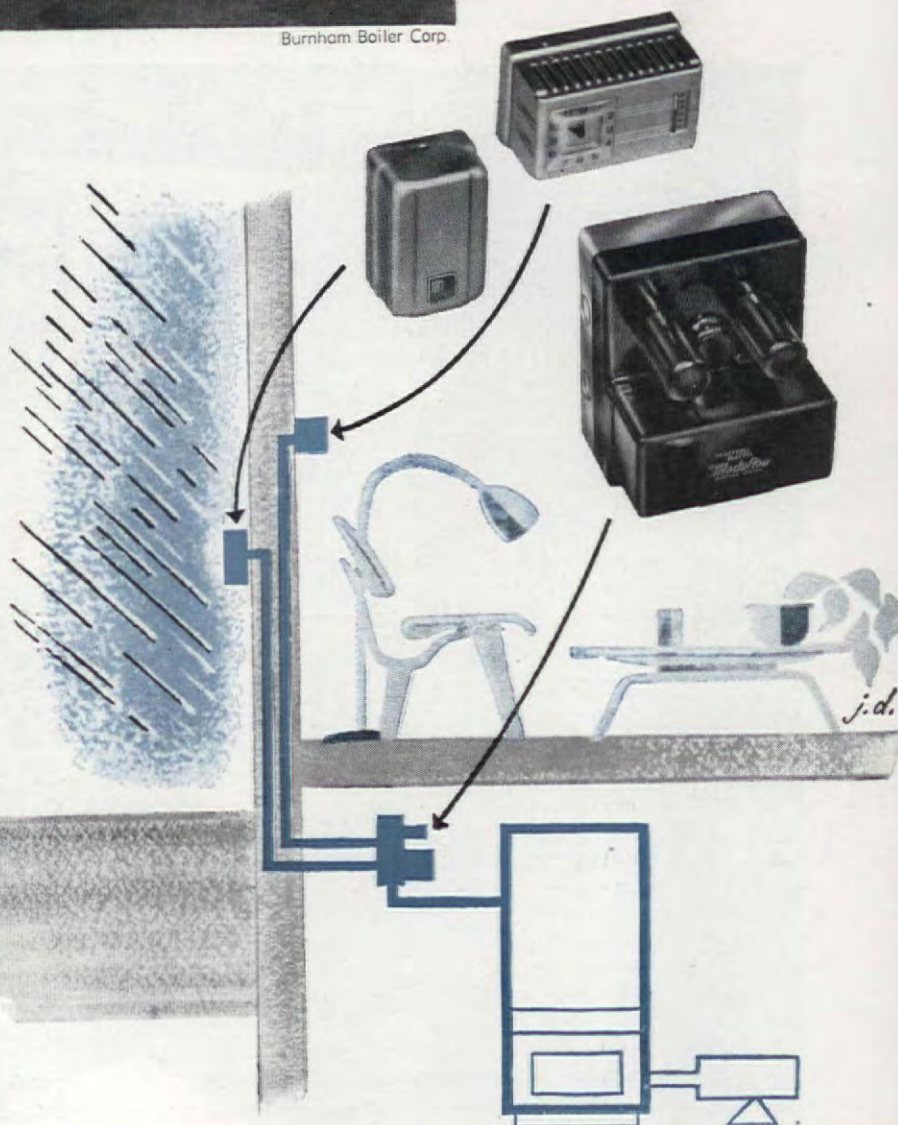
There's Something Evolutionary



Unobtrusive baseboard convectors spread the heat at floor level along outside walls. This one has fins to heat the air as it passes in bottom and out top

One of a number of sensitive Minneapolis-Honeywell control sets is a clock-thermostat in the room, an Anticipator outdoors, and an Electronic Relay or "brain" near the heating plant

Burnham Boiler Corp.



The Coleman "Blend-Air" warm-air home-heating system includes controls and a blower, arranged for easy adjustment for continuous air circulation to prevent stratification, along with its features of high temperature and high velocity delivery of heat to the air-mixing chambers, or "blenders," and small air-ducts which are easy to install in old or new homes

in Heating

JAMES A. OEST



THE OLD DISCOMFORTS OF

Uneven Heat
Stratification
"Cold 70°"
Drafty Floors

CAN NOW BE CONTROLLED

Ever since the days of the flint, when man's heated comfort depended on how successfully he could strike a spark, we've seen constant improvement in heating devices. The years have brought many developments which add to existing heating practices and equipment, reducing the discomfort of drafty floors, uneven heat, and a feeling of chill even though the thermometer indicates that the temperature is high enough for body comfort. The improvements have been more evolutionary than revolutionary.

To cure a general lack of sufficient heat isn't a great problem, except in an economic sense. Usually this can be remedied by installing a heating plant with a larger capacity or insulation, weatherstripping, and storm windows to reduce the heat loss. The big problem, however, is the lack of real control, which causes the greatest amount of discomfort. The news in heating today is the means of gaining control, and the resulting satisfaction from the heating plant.

The old, heavy, cast-iron radiators and the hot-air systems are slow to respond to the need for supplying or shutting off heat, and cause uneven heat with overheating and severe chilling of the rooms. With automatic heating systems, in the periods between the intermittent operation, the warm air rises to the ceiling so that temperature at times becomes 15 degrees or more cooler near the floor than at the ceiling. This is known as stratification. Children playing on the floor are apt to get croup, while father is comfortable in a T-shirt up where the air is warm.

Changes in outside wall temperatures due to weather variations necessitate adjustment of the inside air temperature to prevent discomfort. Also the different exposures of rooms vary the heat loss and make one room chilly today and warm tomorrow when the wind shifts. Cold drafts in a house that is tight against air leaks can come from cold rooms, stratification, and concentrated blasts of heat.

Uneven heat with extreme variations of room temperatures, due to the slow response to heat needs, is overcome by several means. In old hot-air systems a blower can be added for positive circulation of the heat. With steam and hot-water systems, the new, lighter cast-iron radiators heat up quickly, and are

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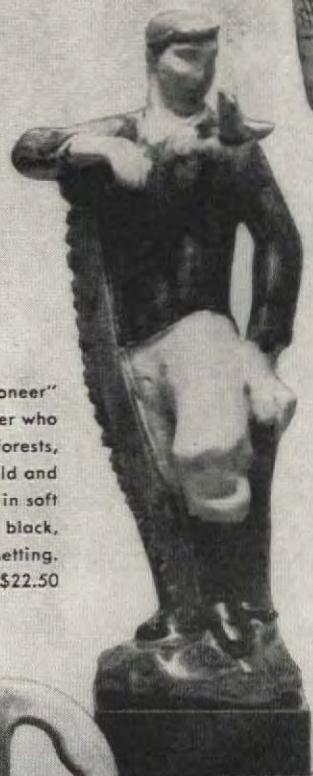
Efficient, quick-heating convectors are out of sight, blend gracefully into room decorations, take up very little space, and are easy to keep clean



The Trane Co



"Strutting Rooster" by Carl Walters, an important addition, singly or in pairs, for mantel, chest, or table. Can also be used for flowers. Stands 12 inches high with reddish-brown or eggshell ground. \$19.50 each



Berta Margoules' "Pioneer" symbolizes early settler who broke plains, cut down forests, pushed westward to build and develop America. Figure in soft yellow, green, brown, black, excellent in Provincial setting. 11½ inches, \$22.50

Masterpieces

Marvelous new approach to ceramic accessories for the house, 70 beautiful pieces have been executed in Stonelain, a fresh slant on high-fired ceramics. Each piece is signed by the famous American painter or sculptor who created it. Includes vases, ash trays, bowls, platters, cigarette boxes, pitchers, tiles, sculptured figurines. You can buy them now in most department stores and gift shops. According to the Associated American Artists, who should know, since they're the distributors, this is the first time painters, sculptors, and ceramists have joined up to bring you beautiful home accessories in the ceramic field at prices which in many cases are lower than those which are mass-produced.

SEE PAGE 130 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE ARTISTS WHOSE WORK APPEARS ON THESE PAGES



Beauty plus in two-quart pitcher, "Pink Sprite" by Julio de Diego. Extended lip and easy-to-grasp handle make pouring simple. Important decorative accessory with or without flowers. Soft pink glaze. Design in black, subtle green. 11 inches high, 5-inch base, \$27.50



Another Julio de Diego creation "Blowing Bubbles." An impressive color accent used as ash tray or plate, especially in modern setting. Available only in celadon green. Amusing relief design in deeper tone of green. 10½ inches long, 6½ inches wide, \$15.00



Skyscrapers in subtle colorings against yellow-brown crackled background, a symphony in color and design. "Manhattan Melody" by Georges Schreiber. 16 inches high, \$60.00

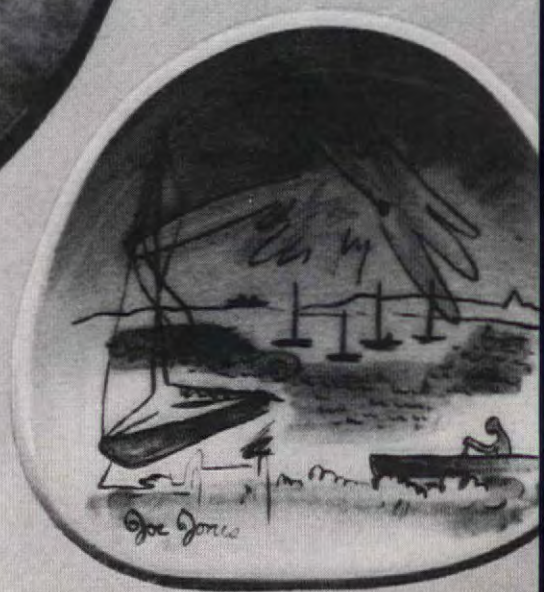
"Still Life," right, by Nicolai Cikovsky, floral decorations in pinks, blues, reds, yellows, whites, golden browns on a ground of crackled sky-blue. 11½ inches high, \$22.50

MARY E. MONZE

on Sale



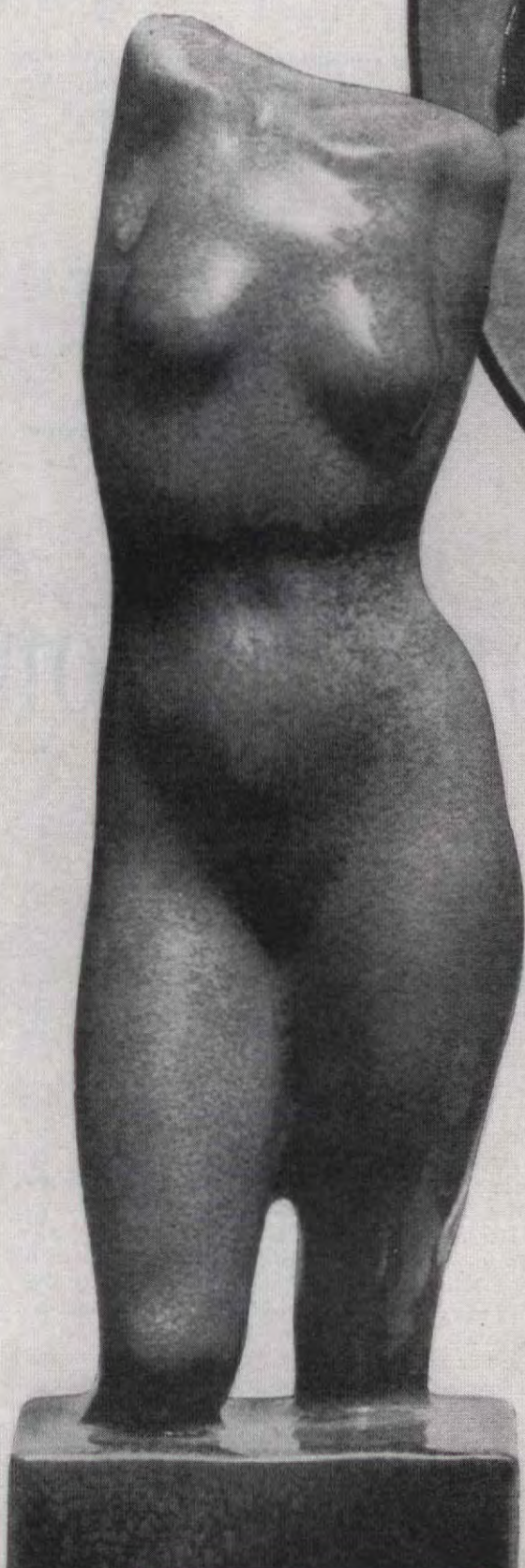
"Young Acrobat" is subject of Chaim Gross' lovely plate or hanging plaque. Hole fired in back of piece for hooks. Figures, molded in relief, are colored blue-black, warm red, purple on off-white glazed ground. Rim edged in blue-black. 14 by 8¾ inches, \$27.50



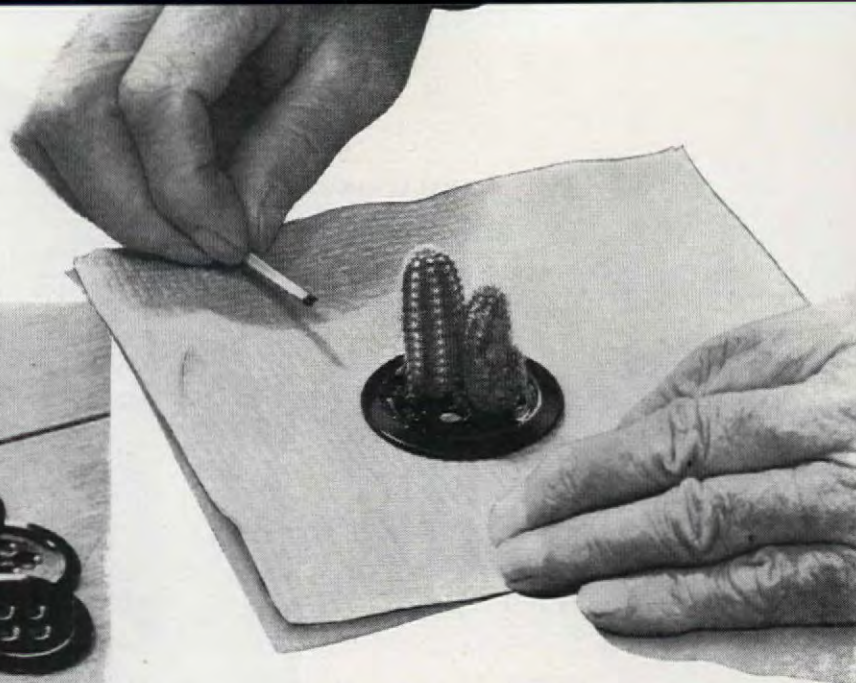
Designed in yellow, black, green, blues on off-white field, "Little Harbor" by Joe Jones has many uses — ash tray, candy or nut dish, and is a most fascinating conversation piece. 8¾ by 8½ inches, \$15.00



"Torso" by Jo Davidson, a rare and beautiful studio piece, is available in peacock-blue on blue-brown ceramic base or gray figure on peacock ceramic base. 14 inches high, \$15.00. Handsome bowl directly above, "Pathways" by Julio de Diego, has free-form edge, design incised in clay. Highly fired in choice of three colors: peacock, sea-green, pink. 11½ by 5½ inches high, \$20.00



Materials are easy to find about the house, collect, or buy, they include tiny plants and stones, peat moss, sand, shears, scissors, tweezers, razor blade, transparent cement



1 After visualizing your "garden" (including base), put small amount of cement on button and set tallest cactus (or two) firmly in place, a little off center. Pause to let cement harden

Want a hobby? Want to brighten

the lives of invalids and broaden

children's interests? Then learn—

How to Garden on a Button

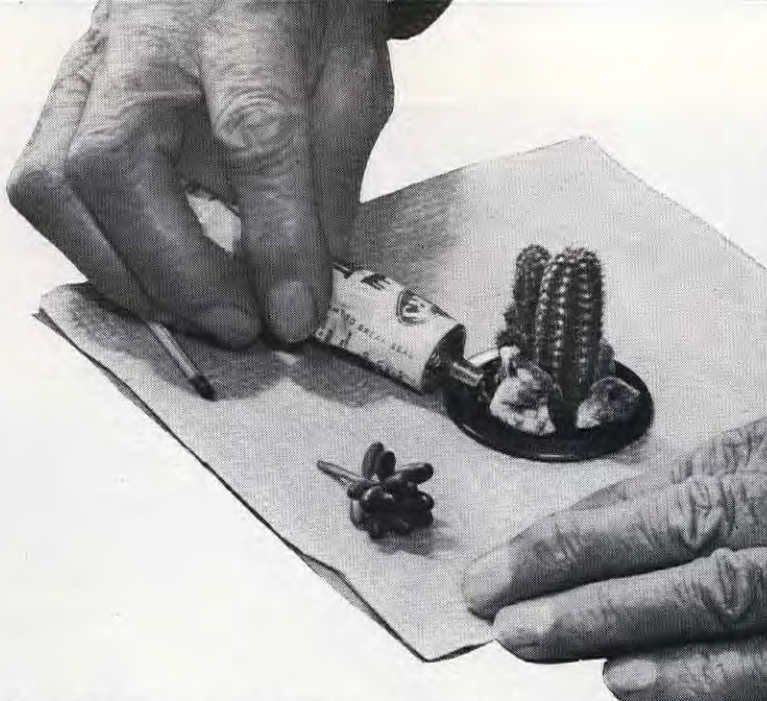
MAURICE B. KYNE



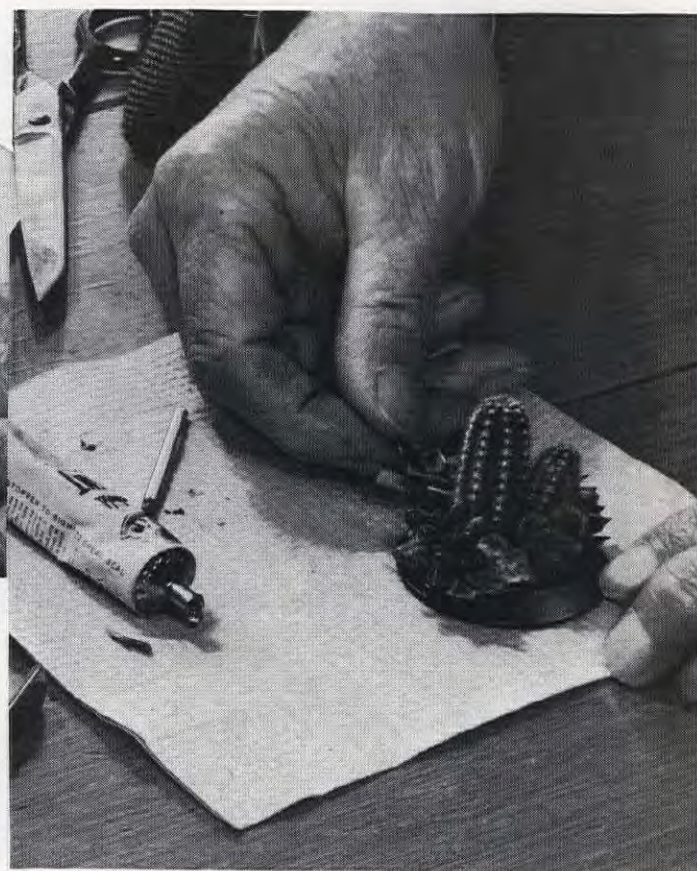
The finished product as made by author's father for this article. It will last for many months

Many hobbyists enjoy making miniatures, and one of the most delightful ways of indulging this desire is the making of miniature gardens—yes, real, living gardens—on buttons! To prove how simple it is, these pictures show how a tiny cactus garden can be made, complete with sand and peat moss, in a very short time. By adding a few drops of water about once a week, you can persuade it to live contentedly for months. For the demonstration we used a button, but a small coaster, a milk bottle cap, or any tiny dish with holes in it for drainage would do. Small, slow-growing kinds of cacti and succulents comprise the plant materials, and little sea shells, pebbles, and bits of broken rock and bright-colored glass can be added to give variety in texture and color.

Editor's Note—It is gratifying to get this latest, convincing evidence of the continuing interest in this pleasant hobby. During World War II, we heard about button gardens and about Mrs. Florence Way Casebolt of California, who apparently originated them. Her first, featured in a miniature Mexican table setting made for the Red Cross, proved so popular that she got the idea of making them for patients in a Navy hospital, and then others. Quickly they proved their value as something not only to be enjoyed by invalids and shut-ins, but also that they themselves could make. So add to their score an important place in occupational therapy. For additional information about them consult Mrs. Casebolt's attractive pamphlet—"Button Gardens and How to Make Them."



2 Add a few carefully chosen pieces of rock around dominant cactus feature, but leave a little space between them. Paper-napkin work surface prevents mess, soaks up spilled cement



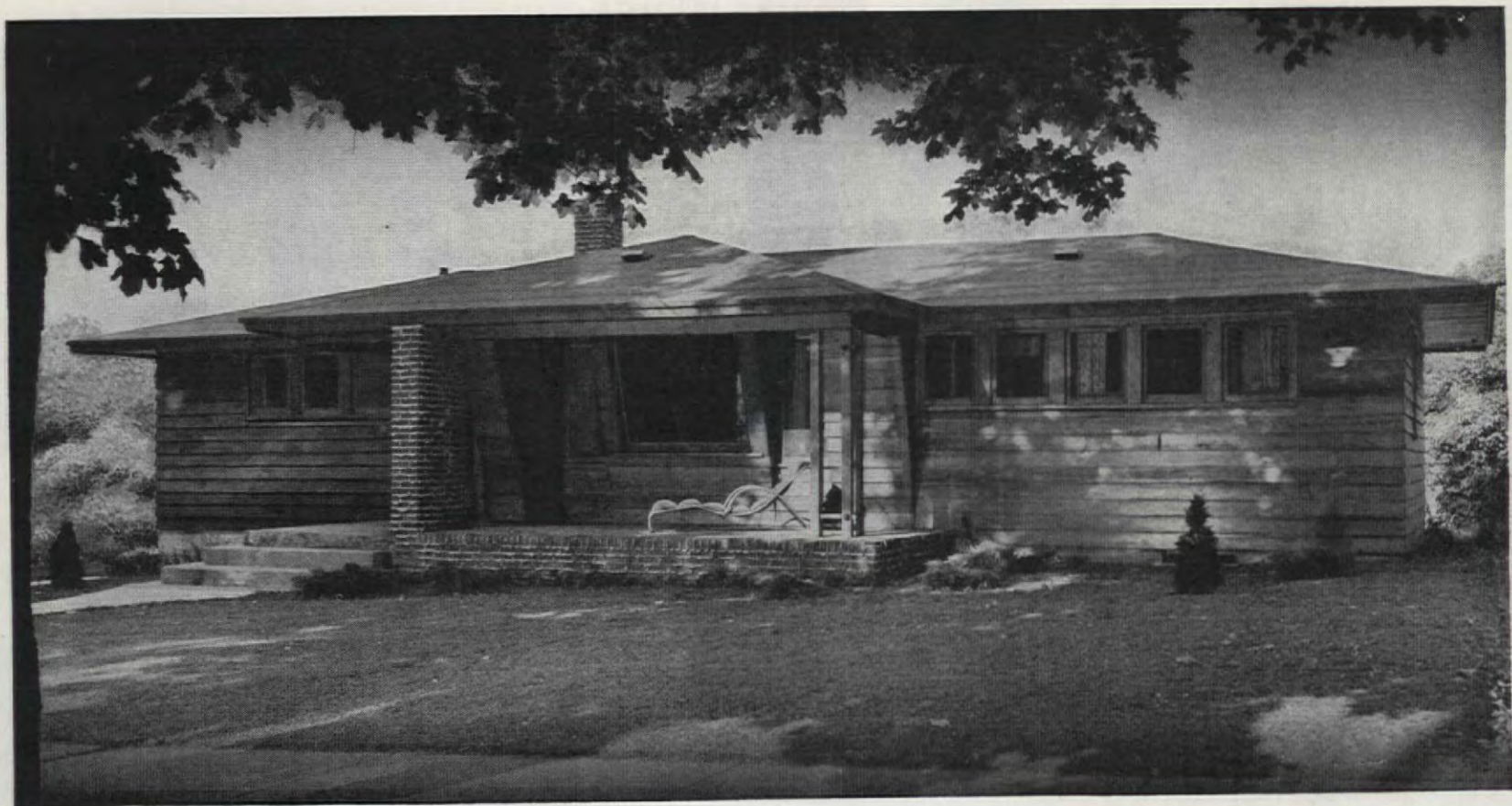
3 Fill in gaps around cacti and stones with two or three smaller plants (succulents) of suitable size, shape, and color, using only enough cement to anchor them. Don't overcrowd



This kind of gardening involves no work clothes, calluses, sore muscles; it can be enjoyed anywhere, at any time, by anybody

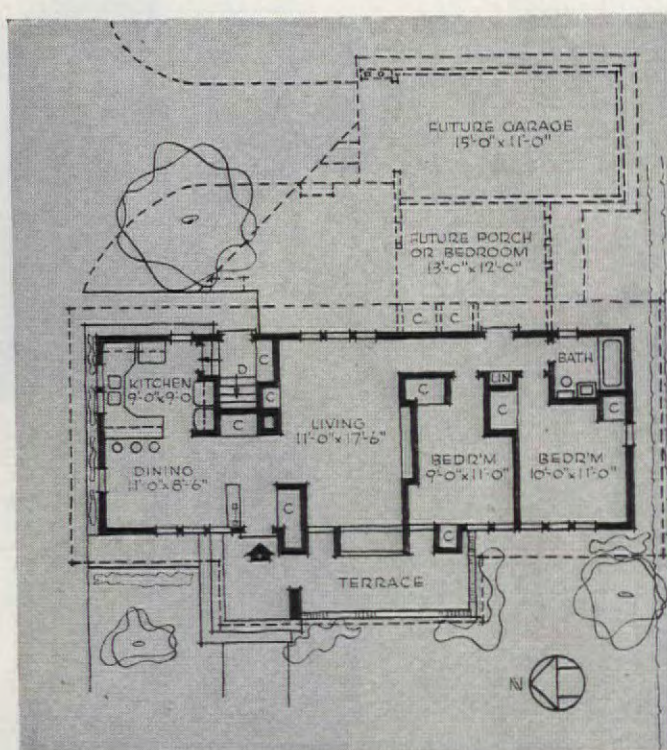
4 Finally, sprinkle with clean sand to cover button and cement, and tuck in bits of peat moss around base, this to absorb and hold the moisture needed by the plants as they grow





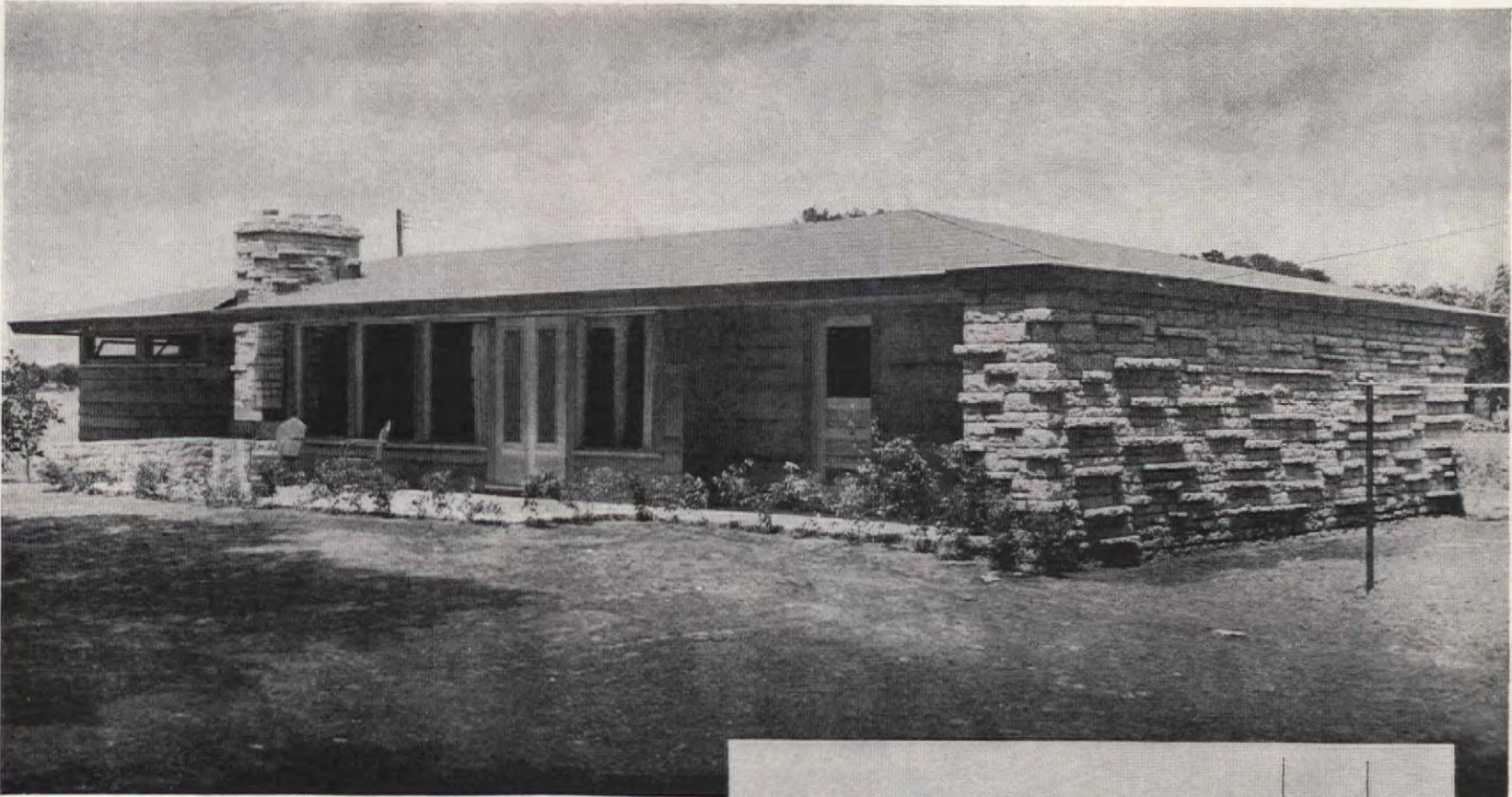
ETHEL McCALL HEAD

Two little houses in



The home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Steinmann is small, livable, has plans for a future. Of natural red-cedar siding, it is enlivened with interesting architectural details, gay color

John Steinmann, Architect for the Howard Steinmann and the Donald Beger homes



Photographs by Robert C. Cleveland

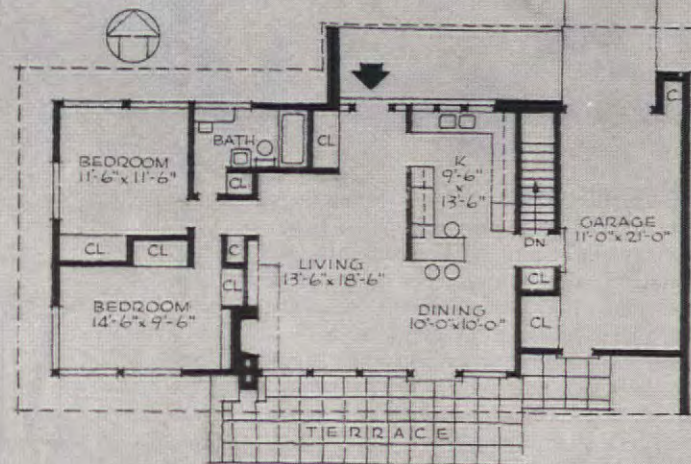
Wisconsin

In the pretty little town of Monticello, located on a river which winds through Wisconsin farm country, is this small red-cedar home of the young Howard Steinmanns, shown at left. Only 18 x 48 feet, architect brother, John, had to do a little finagling as to plan, but it was worked out with a resulting simple rectangle, both attractive and economical. A future addition is planned so that the house can grow at the rear to take advantage of the rolling meadow view, give privacy for outdoor living. Red-cedar siding was used for exterior, the soffit of the overhang painted chartreuse for a note of color, the little "front" porch of red brick. An extruded window in the living room set at an angle to deflect light, and prevent glare or reflection, opens to the street side. Dining-area, bedroom windows are mere strips of transoms for privacy.

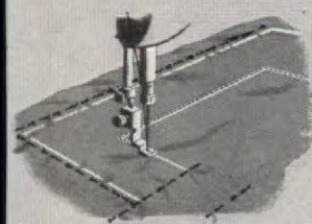
One steps into a little hall, formed by a good storage wall on the right and a partial partition topped with plants on the left which shelters dining area. Living room is thus sheltered from entry door, yet hall, dining and living rooms are actually one big area without separating walls. There is no door between kitchen and dining area. The Steinmanns say they like the combination of the two areas because both the diminutive kitchen and small dining area borrow space from each other and give an amazing sense of openness. The eating counter is a natural for messy little boys and Mrs. Steinmann can be feeding her son lunch, doing the laundry and setting the table for dinner for four without taking more than a few steps in any direction.

Living-dining area has walls of natural fir plywood except for wall backing the couch where there are open shelves and the plywood has been painted a deep leaf-green. Ceilings are of 16-inch square white insulation tiles. Over the attractive angled window in living room is a lighting trough where the siding of the exterior has been repeated to give interesting detail to the indirect lighting.

Chartreuse draperies, a club chair of same tone, a couch covered in tropical-patterned chintz in coral, green, yellow, and gray add their notes of color to the pleasantly woody room. Howard made the

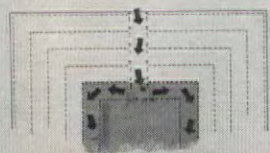


The Donald Begers' little home, in the village of Spring Green, is built of native limestone and red-cedar siding, refutes theory that walls of glass are impractical for severe climates. Story on page 135



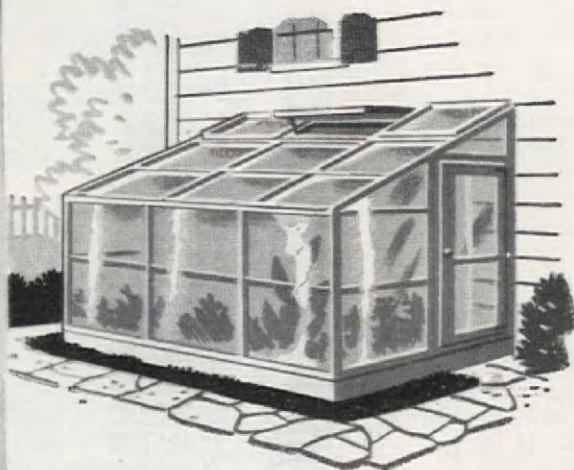
Follow foolproof illustrated instructions for marking, basting, and placing "reminder" pins for channel needed to insert feathers, before you begin easy sewing

Channel makes it simple to fill each section with desired amount of down or feathers. Pat and plump for equal distribution, pin off, go on to next section

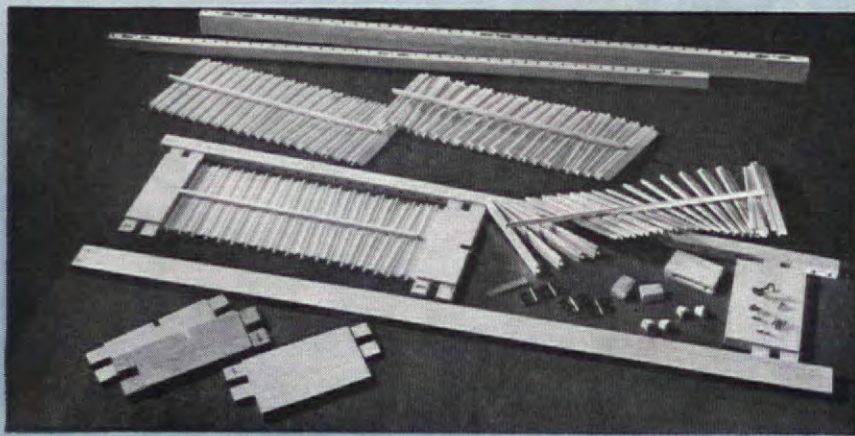


WITH THREE OR FOUR old feather pillows and the kit shown above, you can make a professional-looking comforter. Ten yards of satin, processed to prevent feathers coming through, ready-cut for sewing, in your choice of ten colors. Kit also holds enough matching thread, tailor's chalk, the right needles, even a tape measure and pins. Instruction book gives step-by-step directions, tells how to clean old feathers. The necessary $4\frac{1}{2}$ pounds of new filling, half down, half feathers, costs about \$4.25. From Blair House Fabrics, kit is \$10.95. Matching drapery fabric, 90¢ yd.

MUCH for Little



GARDEN THIS WINTER in a greenhouse you can easily make yourself. Vimlite, a wire-reinforced plastic glazing, is excellent and economical for such a house; a roll 50 feet long, 3 feet wide (enough for greenhouse shown) costs under \$25. It is strong, easy to work with, and lets the sun's heat into the indoor garden, while affording protection from the cold. Instructions for building the greenhouse can be had from Celanese Corporation of America, Plastics Division. The Vimlite permits light to pass, but diffuses it. There are many glazing uses for the material, and it can be formed into interesting Christmas ornaments, too



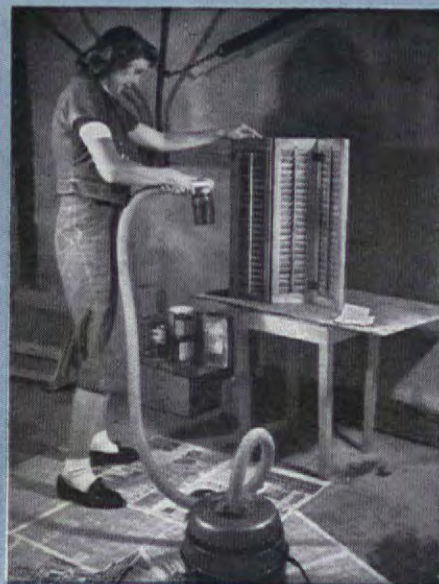
Shutter kits contain all the parts, side stiles, cross rails, louver assemblies, all hardware, and a set of instructions for putting the parts together easily



Frame of stiles and rails is assembled loosely, then louvers are fitted in place with a screwdriver or button hook, and the stiles are tapped tightly together



Protruding tenons are sawed off, rabbet is cut on power saw or by hand with a rabbet plane, and ends are trimmed to fit window. Long shutters can be cut in two at rail



First coat of finish is applied, then assemble shutters with hinges and complete finish. Paint or shellac can be sprayed with gun or vacuum attachment



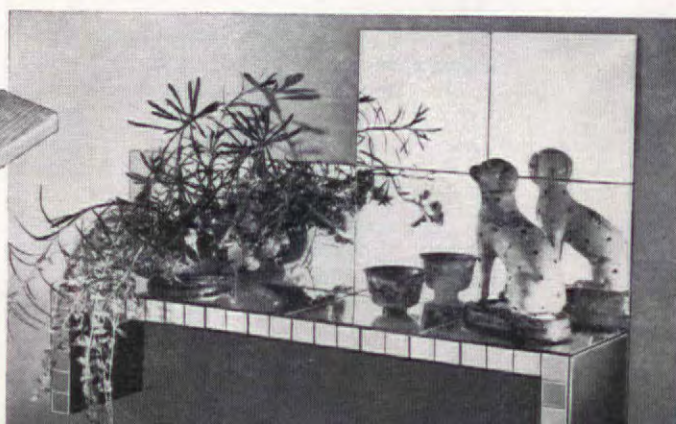
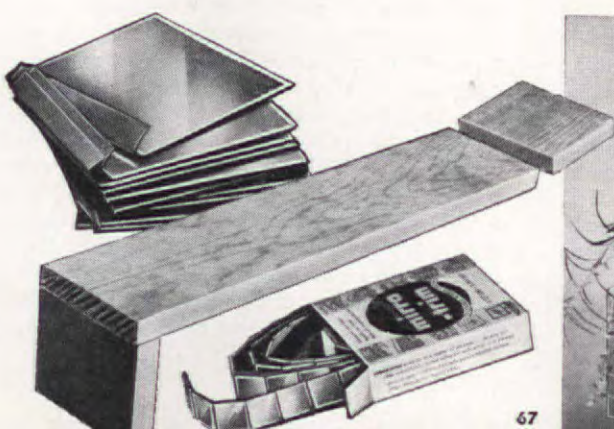
Here is a six-panel set of shutters cut through the middle. Either the top or bottom, or both, can be folded to the side, or closed to suit the light conditions at the moment

Data from Isabel D. Montgomery

Treat yourself to these topnotch values

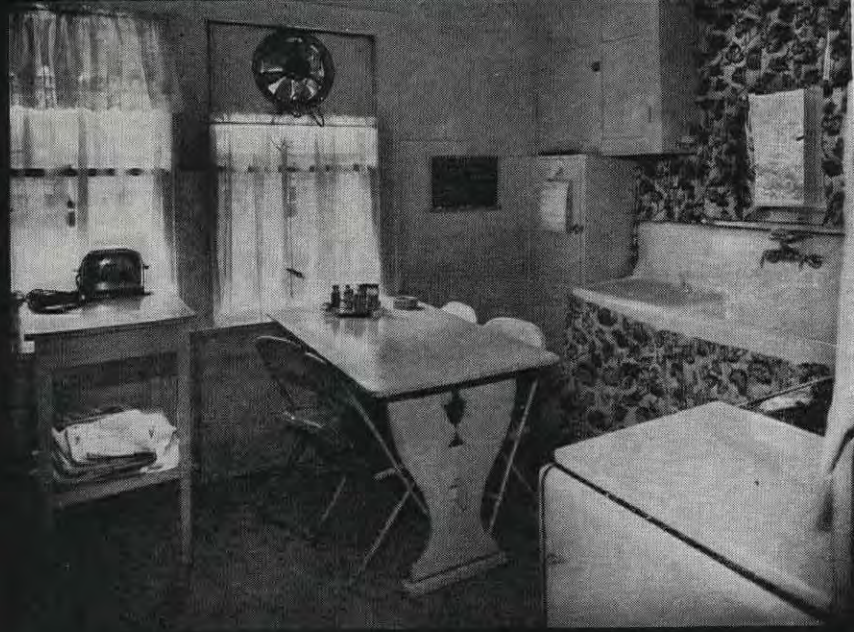
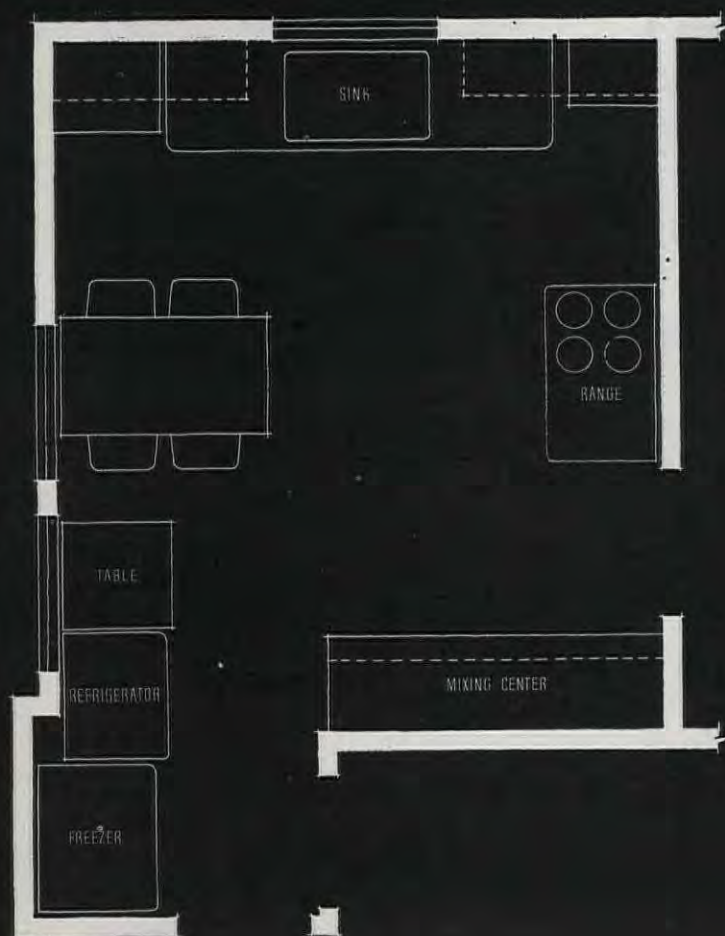
Buy a little, make a little—and you've Much for Little!

MIRRA-TILES are really little decorating miracle workers! They're 4½-inch squares with adhesive backing that will stick to any flat surface—plaster, wood, metal, even glass. What-not shelf shown was made with one strip of 18 by 4½ by ¾-inch wood and two end pieces, 3⅝ by 4½ by ¾ inches. It took six tiles (they come packaged 12 to the carton) to cover shelf surface. Remaining six make asymmetrical backing right on wall. Wood edges were hidden with about 3 feet of ¾-inch Mirra-Trim. Add ½-inch round dowel, six more tiles, and you've a guest-towel rack and primping spot for small lavatory. Use Mirra-Tile to frame a picture, fill in wall between windows, above and around fireplace. From L. & S. Mirror Mfg. Corp., 12 Mirra-Tiles, \$2.00, 8-foot roll Mirra-Trim, \$1.00



INDOOR SHUTTERS for your windows (see pictures above) can now be bought to fit the small budget. They come disassembled from "Paul Heinley's Movable Shutters," all the parts cut and drilled with accurate mortises and tenons for quick and strong assembly with small steel pins and a minimum of tools. The only cutting that is necessary is for the protruding tenons, the fitting to the window frame, planing the rabbet on the vertical side pieces, and possibly the cutting to make two shutters out of one as was done in the example shown above. Prices vary with the window size. The cost of the complete kit for six-panel shutters in the larger-than-average window above was only \$25

BEFORE: A gallant attempt was made to give this sprawling, chopped-up room a touch of cheer and efficiency. Even so it remains drab, uninspired, cluttered, both as a cooking and dining place



BEFORE Freezer, refrigerator, and cart left little room for enjoying breakfast. One window and most of the other were mutilated by equipment and fan

ANNA MAY WILSON

Room to Bake a Cake

Room to bake a cake"—doesn't have much meaning at first glance, does it? But this is a story about a kitchen which, in spite of having all its fancy-dos, literally didn't afford enough working surface to bake a cake.

Mrs. William H. Trout's kitchen was like that. It was loaded with equipment, but the arrangement was bad, it was cluttered, there was a surplus of discomfort and a minimum of working space. Not for long. With careful shifting and rearranging, all planned beforehand, Mrs. T.'s kitchen today is a delight to the eye and a joy to the cook.

The floor plans speak for themselves, tell you the story much better than we could. Nothing

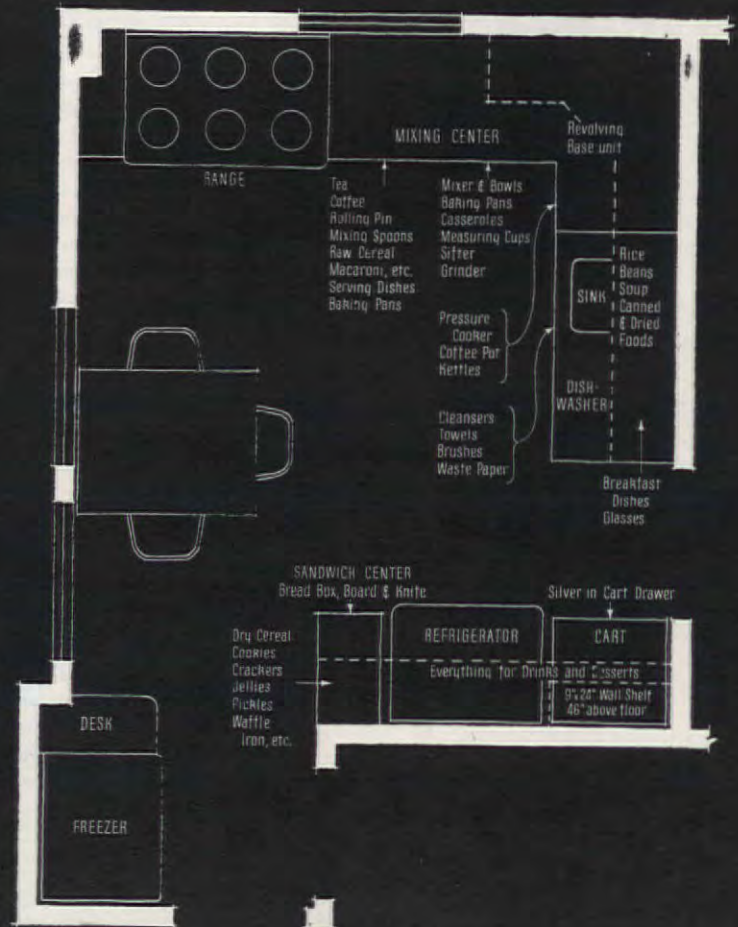
has been removed from the room, but the difference in spaciousness is incredible. There are also many small innovations which serve such a large purpose. For instance, the built-in knife rack on the wall behind the range, the measuring spoons and cups hanging from hooks, the plant shelf high on the wall, safe from possible accident, the cookbook in a sunny, sensible place at the window, always at hand, never needing to be searched for.

Mrs. Trout is an excellent cook, enjoys it very much, and deserves a fine kitchen. She also likes to enjoy life in other ways, and we think her solution is perfect: comfort while she's cooking, faster work, more time off.

To omit butler's pantry would have doubled cost, so old cupboards were modernized to do better storage job



AFTER: And all this was achieved without drastic structural changes. The range is now completely out of traffic lanes, yet near the table and mixing center. Colors are soft pink, gray, and white. Lime-green chairs against the mellow brick wall and airy fish-net curtains lighten the room. Now a super-efficient kitchen and a dramatic setting for any meal of the day



AFTER Crowding at the breakfast table is *passé* in the new kitchen. There is light, a view, and comfort. Three armchairs insure it. The asymmetric shelf that backs up to the freezer is probably the world's smallest workable planning center. It takes care of a radio, telephone, bulletin board, and blackboard. Freezer is completely accessible but not in the way

Photographs by Nowell Ward & Associates

Life goes on as usual in the kitchen, even when daughter Franie cooks buckwheat cakes for school friends. Skillet and range utensils hang on the wall above range. Cook-book hangs open on rack by window where there is ample light and no chance of its being spattered



Built-in cabinets had all the faults of the pre-kitchen-planning era: no toe space, counters too low and shallow, wall cabinet doors in the worker's face, and traffic routed straight for the cook's corner. To do a creative cooking job would require a saint

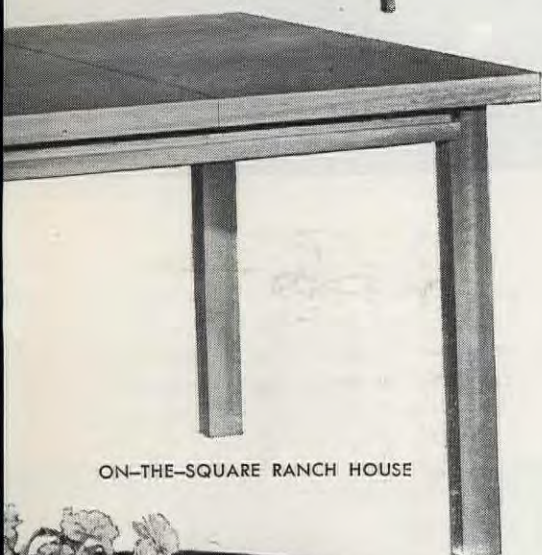




"OUTDOOR-LOOK" RECTANGULAR



ROUND, SUAVE, MODERN



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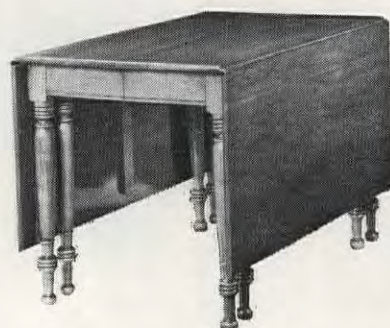
OVAL, TRADITIONAL, LOVELY

F. M. Demarest Albert A. Freeman
Sydney Photographic Service

RECTANGULAR cast-aluminum table in simulated bamboo design fits either modern or traditional furnishings. In geranium-red or natural finish, both weather-resistant, so you can shift the dining scene outdoors at will. With the dining area increasing in popularity, market attention is sharply focused on such versatile pieces. In dining area color-keyed by Goodall's "Compote" drapery, see how plate-glass top adds feeling of space. 48 by 32-inch table about \$120 from Molla



ROUND, commodious top of wheat-finish mahogany dining table is 48 inches in diameter. Beautifully detailed legs ending in brass ferrules are set wide apart to accommodate comfortable upholstered chairs. In blue and white leather to tie in with Textron's textured block plaid, they double as occasional chairs, table functions as desk. From Valley Upholstery, table about \$115



With leaves down, beautifully simple drop-leaf table takes but 27 by 44 inches of space, opens to 85 inches. Of solid cherry in mellow, age-ripened finish. By Consider H. Willett, about \$120



Double-rudder Colonial table in tawny-toned maple especially good for a long hall wall. Closed, it's 54 by 26 inches; with both leaves up, 48 inches wide. About \$75 from H. T. Cushman



SQUARE table has combination of simple modern lines with provincial sturdiness. Typical of manufacturer-designer attention to detail in this rapidly developing furniture trend. Note interesting shape of leg on this square Tanguile mahogany dining table in chestnut finish. Set against Golding's chocolate-ground "Chrysanthemum" fabric, table and semi-upholstered chairs make an inviting living room group. 40 inches square, table opens to 72 inches. From Brown-Saltman, about \$139, chairs \$53 each

Market Report-No. 2

GERTRUDE BROOKS DIXSON



OVAL 18th Century mahogany table is graceful, decorative, utilitarian. Fits charmingly into living-room dining niche where Golding's "Chrysanthemum" fabric is handled in traditional manner. Brass-tipped spider legs are spaced to allow plenty of leg room for chairs. Table, 41 by 49 inches, about \$170 from Heritage-Henredon

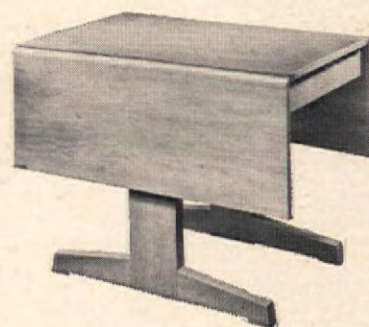
Modern gatelegs support wide drop leaves, swing out of way of chairs, add a great deal to birch table. Top is only 14 inches deep, 36 wide. Leaves up, it's ample 60 by 36 inches. By Heywood-Wakefield, about \$70



Finely executed mahogany drop-leaf extension table begins as 38 by 20 inches with leaves down, grows to 38 by 86 inches fully opened. Hepplewhite design by Drexel, about \$95



Handsome French Provincial table in antiqued cherry, designed to hug the wall. When closed, it's 40 inches wide but only 22 deep. Opens to 85½ inches. About \$170 from Colonial Mfg. Co.



Top surface of table unbroken—one drop leaf is split, takes additional leaves. Closed 40 by 24, fully extended 40 by 75 inches. In Sorrel Walnut, about \$198, Widdicomb Furn. Co.



Butcher linen cloth, reed basket, gingham napkins, Canterbury goblet, "Old Mill" plate, "Old Quilt" juice jug, goblet, and tumbler, Belgian linen napkin, "Blue Fruit" plate, "Carnival" cloth, "Provincial Blue" plate, coffee pot, cup and saucer, royal-blue cloth, "Hobnail" goblet are described on page 138. Spode "Bowpot" plate (upper right) part of dinnerware set, Lowestoft pattern in old Chinese design. Place setting, \$12.00. Copeland & Thompson. "Colony" crystal 12-oz. footed tumbler and sherbet. Open stock, 70¢ each. Fostoria Glass Company. Hand-crafted Cape Cod Crystal handled spiders, far right, are copies of old cast iron spiders used by New England cooks. In three sizes, largest size can be had plain or partitioned. 4½" size, 50¢; 5½", 59¢; 6½", 75¢. Each 6½" partitioned size retails at \$1.50. Imperial Glass

"Cel-o-sheen" cloth, nylon place mats, "Twilight" plate, "Chantilly" plate, 3 "Old Chintz" plates and teapot, "Etiquette" goblet, "Tear-drop" goblet, small "Malmaison" plate, "Romance" plate and covered dish, ecru place mat, "Buckingham" plate, "Elsinore" cup and saucer, plate and coffee pot (far right), three goblets, "Queensware" plate, napkins, "York Rose" plate, all fully described on page 138. "Tiger Lily" plate has unusually light body. 20-piece starter set, \$5.95. French Saxon. Crystal oil and vinegar cruets are \$4.00 a pair. Bryce Bros. Large "Pink Petal" plate shows pink blossoms, gray-green leaves. 20-piece starter set, \$7.95. Homer Laughlin "Diana" plate has green floral decal with 24-k gold band around shoulder edge. Fine translucent china, also available with gray floral spray. Place setting, \$10.30. Pickard, Inc.

GERTRUDE BRASSARD

"Merry-go-Round" cloth, butcher linen place mat and napkin, "Viridian" cup and saucer and dinner plate (center), "Fantasia" teapot and plate (right center), small "Manzanita" plate, "Fantasy" dinner plate and platter, ice-lip pitcher and "Alfresco" snack set (center), "Thistle" pattern egg cup, plate and bowl, matkins, copper casserole, coffee pot, sugar bowl, "Hazelnut" plate, chop plate, chartreuse compote are all fully described on page 139. 12" x 18" place mats are wallpaper encased in vinylite. Plaid design comes in rust, green, yellow, blue. Striped tweedy design in gray, yellow, rust. \$1.00-\$1.25. The Sillcocks Miller Co. "Harvest" plate, two circular striped plates are open stock. Place setting in "Harvest," \$5.95; other two \$4.25. Carbone



Copper hot plate, Solona-ware casseroles, salt and pepper shaker and divided vegetable dish (center), "Casual" china casserole, "Chutney Black" plate, "Fern" place mat and napkin, "Brown Summer" and "Revelry" plates, "Spiral" pattern plate fully described on page 140. "Alfresco" ware vegetable bowls, 7½" size, \$1.00; 9¼", \$1.50. In 5 colors. Brusché Ceramics

How and What to Buy

How do you choose your dinnerware, glassware, and table linens? If you're the type who sees something exciting and simply can't resist it, no matter how it goes with the rest of your things, prepare now to mend your ways! The appearance of your dining table is every bit as important as that of your living room. Choose your pieces carefully and responsibly—you'll be amply rewarded. Three periods are represented in these pictures—Provincial, Traditional, and Modern. You can use them as a springboard of ideas from which to make your own selections. There's general agreement, among those who should know, that

all three periods can be mixed with success, and a great deal of the china shown today does just that. Be sure you're delighted with it, though, because you'll have to live with it quite a while.

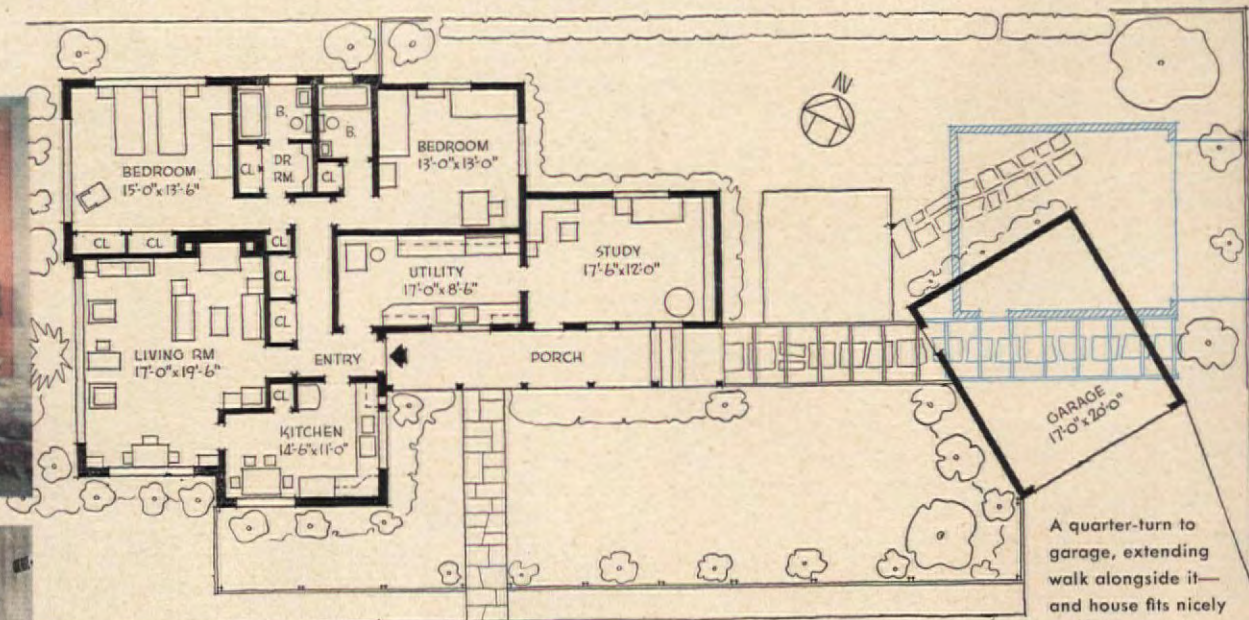
At the upper left, sturdy, homespun Provincial is shown, good for country or ranch-house furnishings, excellent foil for Early American surroundings. The Traditional display suggests more formal living, a feeling of elegance. Then our new-found friend, Modern, especially good in our wonderful streamlined houses or a ranch house with contemporary furnishings. Prices, in all cases, are approximate.

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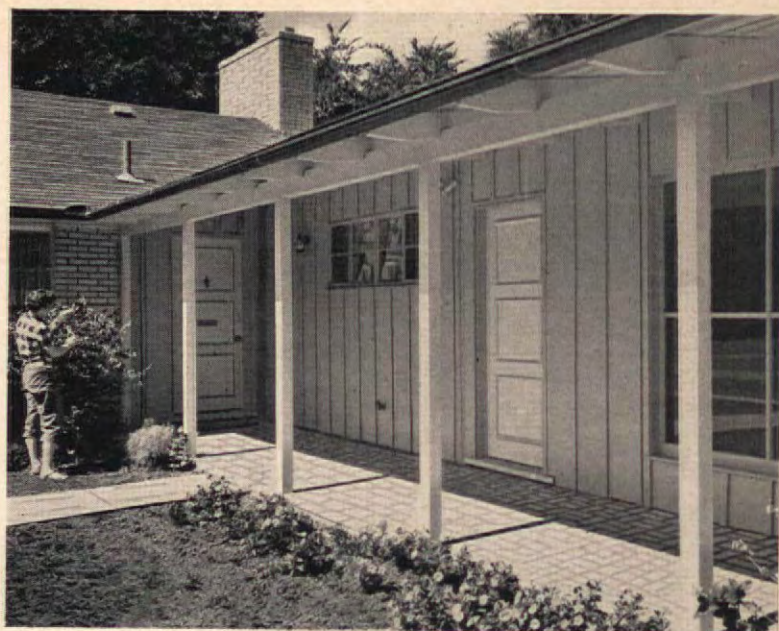
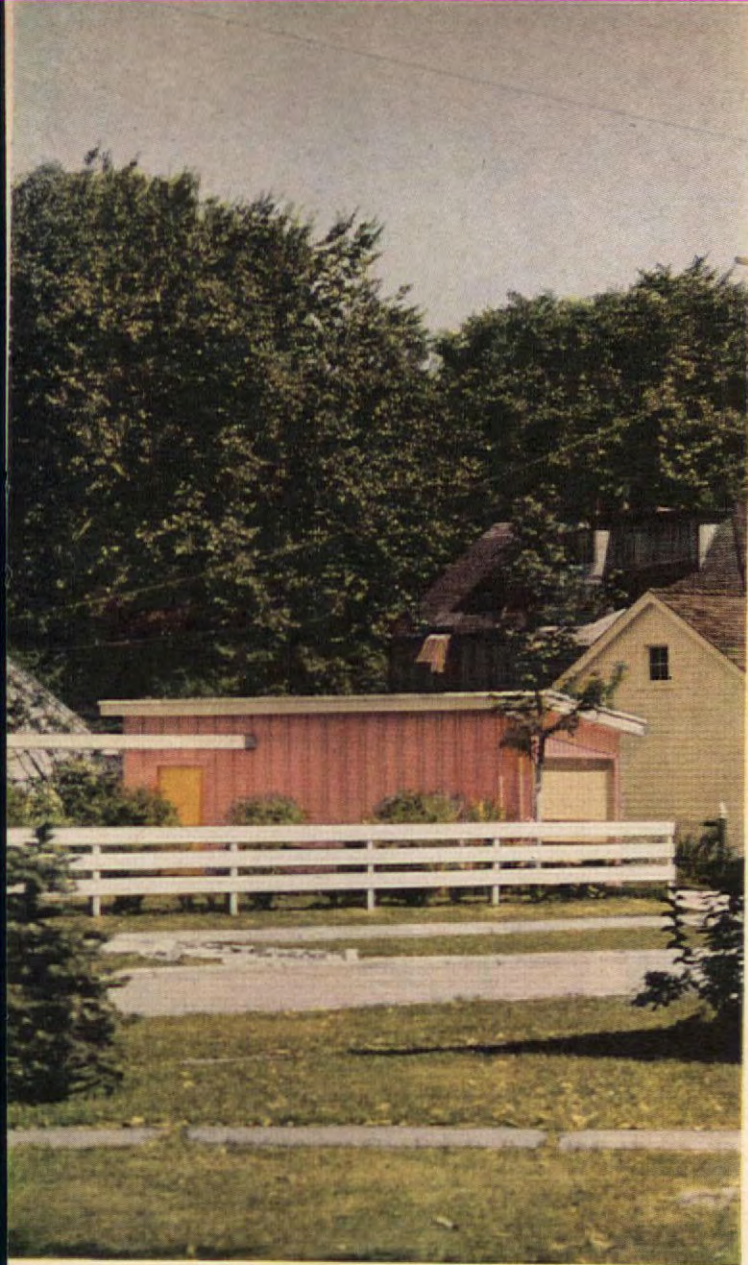


A quarter-turn to garage, extending walk alongside it—and house fits nicely on 50-foot middle-of-the-block lot!



JOHN LEONARD RUSH
A.I.A., architect

A Ranch House is



Long a champion of good, livable small houses, Architect-owner Rush builds himself an economical, distinctive home in Detroit proving all his theories sound, disproving many staid local theories

It's Roomy, Ranchy —and buildable on a 54 ft. lot

When the neighbors in the staid old Grandmont section of Detroit returned from their winter vacations—lo and behold—in 76 working days a different kind of house had grown on the corner of Abington Road. It seemed Architect Rush had built himself a low rambling home, without basement or attic, no plaster and only one door. He had even dared to make it colorful!

One enters the house under a long, covered porch, and proceeds to any part of the house without cutting across the living room or disturbing the privacy of the sleeping quarters. There is direct, quick access to the kitchen. Equipment is arranged so that food

is stored, prepared, and served without lost motion. The well-located utility room contains the heating plant, electric water heater, laundry and storage units; is accessible from outdoors as well as from the central corridor inside. There is a separate outside entrance to the architect's study, egress through the utility room.

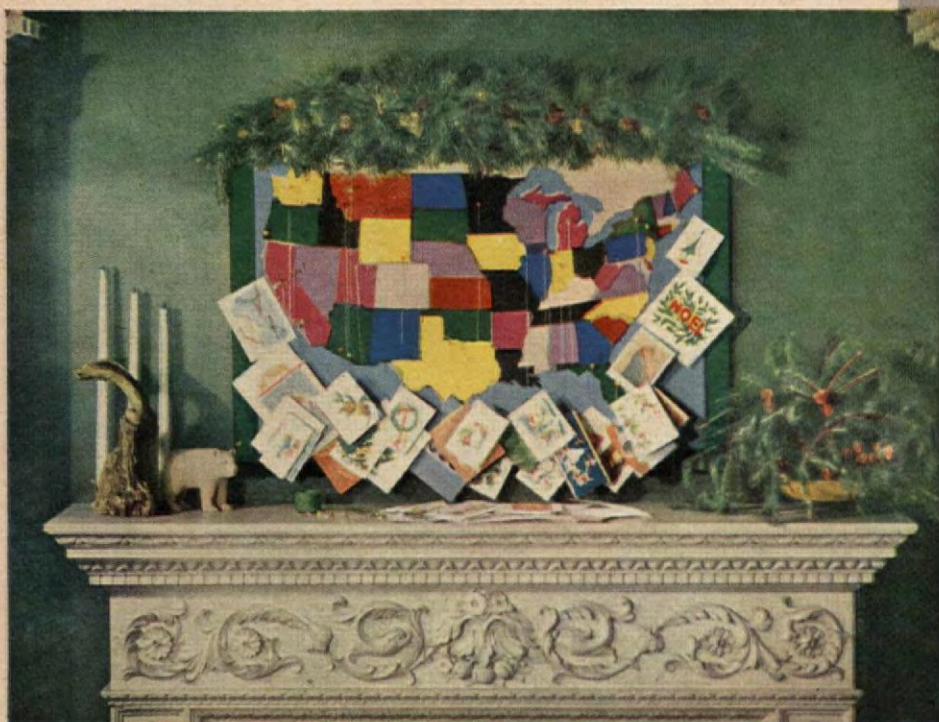
A sloping ceiling in the living room makes the room seem far larger than it really is, and a floor-to-ceiling fireplace, of the same brick used outside, kept down costs. Sliding aluminum windows, ample closets with sliding doors, indirect fluorescent lighting, steel cabinets in the kitchen, a bath and dressing

room for each bedroom, are some of the major comforts Mr. Rush has been able to incorporate in his economical, but distinctive little home.

The dining area in the living room is planned for easy service from the kitchen, in no way disturbing to the conversational grouping of furniture around the fireplace wall. The ample kitchen provides room for a table and four chairs facing a window. Master bedroom, 15 x 15 feet, beautifully proportioned to take furniture as now arranged or future rearrangement—a luxury seldom found in a small house! Note please, two closets as well as another in the dressing

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practical anywhere! Buy the plans on page 147



1334 Pattern for felt map, striking method for displaying Christmas cards. A fun way to show where your friends are. 25¢

3 patterns using plastic foam.
1335 is jolly Santa head. **1336**, place-card tree, star candleholder, centerpiece tree. **1337**, 7 sparkly Christmas-tree ornaments. 20¢ each pattern



1338 Pattern at right is story of night before Christmas. 15 felt, sequin, and flutter ornaments for a child's very own tree. 25¢



1314 Handsome scale model of white New England church with picket fence, snow, and tiny dime-store evergreens. Full instructions. 20¢

Easy to make, fun when they're finished.

There's time—if you order now . . . pages 120 and 146

Christmas Patterns



1315 Four felt and sequin Christmas stockings, just about the most exquisite we've ever laid eyes on. Original, easy to do. Complete instructions. 35¢



1328 Blueprint construction pattern for building lawn or roof ornament—or suspend it between roof and tree as shown here. Santa with bag of toys and 6 or 8 reindeer. 50¢



1333 Blueprint construction pattern for building cherubic singing angel. A delightful decoration to hang over doorway. Full instructions, line drawings, two views for scale. Complete list of materials. 50¢



1314 F. D. Hayden; 1315 Mrs. R. Regan; 1327 Julia Eldora; 1328 Dale Long; 1333 Mrs. C. Snider; 1334, 1337 Virginia Wickliff; 1335, 1336 Mary Naylor



1327 Blueprint construction pattern for building a gay, amusing, red Sicilian cart with snow man and little gray donkey to top your roof. 50¢

BETTY H. MERRIAM, Flower Arrangement

GERTRUDE BRASSARD, Table Setting



Beforehand steps are quite simple for this elaborate centerpiece. Colored cocktail picks impale the small fruits, fasten them to either the pineapple, pin holder, or to each other. Use large florist's picks for apples and other weighty materials. Colorful vegetables may be used instead of fruits

ADDITIONAL PICTURE STEPS ON PAGE 80

Place and Show



Now that Thanksgiving Day is standing in the wings, when we raise our voices in gratitude, let's also give thanks for the "father" of English pottery, Josiah Wedgwood, who is responsible for this month's table setting. During the restoration of Colonial Williamsburg, many fragments of Queen's Ware were sifted from the soil, some clearly showing the Husk design, made by Wedgwood as early as 1770. The pattern, of ribbons, laurel, and flowers on a grayish-purple background, is lovely. "Wisteria," a chalice-type goblet by Tiffin, in ruby-violet color, ties in beautifully, the deepest color being at the base of both bowl and compote, with clear crystal stem. Notice the "Bridal Wreath" pattern in Tudor plate, designed by Oneida Community Silversmiths. The cloth is "Lyric" Craftspun Fabrics—linen color, all cotton, and endlessly washable—from Scranton Lace.

Our centerpiece can hardly be called "floral" this month, since you can eat practically all of it! Fruits and nuts are introduced to each other, with a few chrysanthemums joining the party. Economical, perfect for Thanksgiving, and when all the fun is over, it becomes a part of your week-end menus.

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"Husk" Dinnerware, Josiah Wedgwood; "Bridal Wreath" flatware, Fluted salts and peppers, Tudor Plate by Oneida Community Silversmiths; "Wisteria" glassware, Tiffin; "Lyric" cloth, Scranton Lace; Needlesharp flower holder, Dazey Mfg. Co. Photographs by F. M. Demarest

A MONTH of lunch MENUS

Complete meals averaging 19½ cents a person
... built around Soup as the main dish!

by Anne Marshall



ANNE MARSHALL
Director Home Economics
Campbell Soup Company

To meet the budget these days is a problem, isn't it? But here's one good way: Serve soup for lunch. You know, every day 27 million Americans eat soup for lunch, according to a U.S. survey. Simple meals built around soup, folks find are so appealing, so delightfully

varied and so quick to fix. Economical, too, and that's important, as we all know.

Here are suggestions I've prepared for 28 budget lunches built around soup. Each offers sizable portions—including 7-ounce bowl of soup. Do try them!

(Cost of meals based on August 1950 prices)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Old-Time Velvet Soup* Fruit & Vegetable Slaw Cake & Coffee <i>*Combine 1 can chicken noodle—1 can cream of mushroom. Add 2 cans water—heat.</i> (21c a person)	Cream of Vegetable Soup Strawberry Jam & Bacon Sandwich Hot Chocolate <i>Did you ever taste cream of vegetable soup? Just add milk, instead of water, to your soup.</i> (19c a person)	Chicken Gumbo Soup Banana Fritters (Orange Sauce) Milk <i>Try this deliciously different chicken-and-vegetable soup—adapted from a New Orleans recipe.</i> (18c a person)	Consommé Pear and Cottage Cheese Salad Rye Crisp Tea <i>Not a pound you'll add with this satisfying, yet calory-conscious lunch. Consommé, you know, is so invigorating.</i> (21c a person)	Ox Tail Soup Bologna & Relish Sandwich Fig Cookies Tea <i>That wonderful ox tail soup has a way with everybody—husband or growing boy, for instance. Do try it!</i> (19c a person)	Cream of Tomato Soup Tuna Fish Sandwich Gelatin Tea <i>"The soup most folks like best"—served in the way most folks prefer it: prepared with milk. So nourishing!</i> (22c a person)	Vegetable Soup Hamburger Relish Coffee <i>The family will lunch at odd hours today? Just keep your soup a-simmering. Here's a meal to set you up for "the big game"!</i> (20c a person)
Beef Noodle Soup Asparagus Salad Coffee <i>Raking leaves, after church, works up tall appetites! And here's wherewith to please 'em. Pimiento strips on your salad for a Sunday touch!</i> (21c a person)	Pepper Pot Soup Cold Meat Sandwich Fruit Milk <i>Fall days are no days for an all-cold lunch. That soup is a heart-warmer adapted from a Colonial Philadelphia recipe.</i> (20c a person)	Cream of Asparagus Soup Egg on Toast Cup Cake Tea <i>No meat in this lunch, but don't be fooled. It's a nourisher. That soup is so delicious with asparagus tips.</i> (17c a person)	Chicken Noodle Soup Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Peaches Milk <i>That chicken noodle soup's a favorite with the youngsters. But it'll please the young-in-appetite of every age.</i> (21c a person)	Bouillon (Beef Broth) Veal Loaf Sandwich Hard Cooked Egg Apple <i>When your menfolk carry lunches, here's a tempting noon meal. Bouillon is stimulating.</i> (22c a person)	Vegetarian Vegetable Soup Pineapple Cheese on Nut Bread Milk <i>You'll never miss meat if you build lunch around this soup. A rich, pure vegetable stock. Children love it!</i> (21c a person)	Chicken-Clam Chowder* Cold Cuts Rolls Pitcher Tomato Juice <i>This is a quickie.*Combine 1 can cream of chicken soup—1 can clam chowder. Add 2 cans water—heat.</i> (24c a person)
Bouillon and Tomato Soup* Creamed Beef on Toast Coffee <i>*Delicious for Sunday brunch. Combine 1 can bouillon—1 can tomato soup. Add 2 cans water—heat. Then—relax!</i> (22c a person)	Cream of Celery Soup Frankfurter Sandwich Cole Slaw Coffee <i>Lunching alone? Have this new cream of celery. Rich cream and tender pieces of celery.</i> (20c a person)	Chicken (with Rice) Soup Toasted English Muffins Quince Jelly Cup Custard Tea <i>Feeling fit? Here's your soup! Got a cold? Chicken soup will tempt you!</i> (18c a person)	Tomato Soup Sardine Sandwich Potato Chips Cinnamon Buns Milk <i>Ho! You teen-agers. So Mom's out shopping. You've got to get lunch. Here it is. Good—and easy! (Mom had ordered the buns yesterday!)</i> (18c a person)	Cream of Mushroom Soup Tea Sandwiches (meat & cheese spreads) Sherbet Tea <i>Have the girls in for lunch! Wonderful soup—dainty sandwiches—and then canasta or sewing and good talk.</i> (20c a person)	Green Pea Soup Crackers Grapefruit Salad Buttermilk <i>Friday and you on a diet! Here's green pea soup to talk about! Not an unessential calory in the whole meal. So enjoy yourself, lady!</i> (18c a person)	Vegetable-Beef Soup Crackers Apple Pie Coffee <i>Beef and apple pie have been a man's dishes since the Garden of Eden. "Seconds" on the soup for "him".</i> (22c a person)
Scotch Broth Fruit Salad Mold Crackers Butterscotch Pudding Coffee <i>You made salad and pudding on Saturday, so lunch whisks on in a jiffy. Scotch broth is no broth—it's a hearty soup, and no mistake!</i> (19c a person)	Cream of Chicken Soup Apple Butter Sandwich Celery Sticks Oatmeal Cookies Tea <i>The newest type of chicken soup—rich cream and plenty of tender pieces of chicken.</i> (16c a person)	Purée Mongole* Cottage Cheese Salad Toasted Garlic Roll Fruit Juice <i>*1 can tomato soup, 1 can green pea soup, 1 can milk, 1 can water. Combine soups; stir in milk, water—heat.</i> (21c a person)	Black Bean Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Sweet pickles Vegetable Juice <i>This fine soup is one you used to have to go to an expensive restaurant for. Perhaps you'll float a lemon slice on your soup.</i> (16c a person)	Beef Soup Crackers Rice Pudding Coffee <i>Husbands do have appetites. This is "his" soup—lots of beef! Double portion for him!</i> (18c a person)	Clam Chowder Welsh Rabbit Lettuce Coffee <i>Say, "Do stay!" to guests, and mean it! Appetizing sea-tang in that chowder.</i> (17c a person)	Bean with Bacon Soup Cranberry Salad Mold Coffee <i>Whole beans and bacon flavor in this good soup. Makes a fine "Saturday Special" for the family.</i> (17c a person)

And especially for the Children

Soup is ideal for all children, especially when prepared with milk. Doctors recommend soups when the baby is ready for his first chewing foods. These eight Campbell's Soups, prepared with milk, are especially suitable: cream of asparagus, beef, chicken with rice, green pea, tomato, vegetable, vegetarian vegetable, and vegetable-beef.





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Place and Show

(Begins on page 78)

Plank must be important
in size but not over-
powering. Ours was 36
inches by 14 inches.

Use any smooth wood,
rubbed down, stained, or
waxed. Group pin-type
holders for anchorage



Place pineapple at an
angle and bend the top
to form a curve. Build
chrysanthemums along
the line of pineapple.
"Cup" pin holder holds
water for flowers; jelly
jar may be used if hidden



Add ears of dried, gaily
colored corn, some tied
in clusters and wired to
a stick inserted in pin
holder. Follow imaginary
S-curve line in placing
materials on plank



Bore holes in Chinese
chestnuts or Brazil nuts
with an awl or ice pick.
Insert florist's-spool
wire or milk-bottle wires
through nuts and twist on
picks or three-inch lengths
cut from old wire coat
hangers. Wire singly, then
together in clusters.



Place bunches of grapes
to achieve fluid curve.
Finally fill in with wired
limes, apples, plums



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| 3 small grapefruit, cut in half | 2 to 3 tbsps. sugar |
| | Dash of salt |

Drain syrup from fruit cocktail. Spoon out sections from grapefruit halves. Notch edges of shells, if desired; remove membrane. Soften gelatin in 1 cup of the syrup from fruit cocktail; dissolve over hot water. Add ½ cup juice from the grapefruit, sugar and salt. Chill till syrupy. Stir in fruit cocktail; pour into shells. Chill till firm. Serve as salad or dessert. (Pour any leftover syrup from fruit cocktail over spooned-out grapefruit sections; chill for breakfast.)

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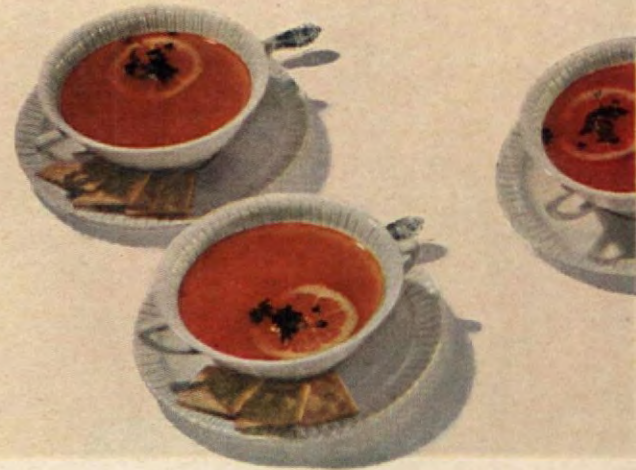




Good Victuals for

SIR, and MADAM, remember those solemn vows you made last Thanksgiving, and the year before that, *ad infinitum*? "Never again," you moaned, as you left the groaning board. And meant it—then. Well, unless acute discomfort and profound torpor from overeating is part and parcel of your Thanksgiving fun, here's your "out." Here's how you can have your tradition and eat it, too. And, just as important to you, ma'am, add to tradition and the eating time in the living room where the rest of the folks are. My soul is full of envy of those ancestors who could start with a rich cream soup or opaque bisque, go on to turkey or a crown roast and all the fixings that went with them and, with scarcely a belch, on and on to two kinds of pies and heavens knows what all. Now I'm not saying my stomach capacity is not as great—I sadly fear it is. But what should be a family feast day, all too often turns out to be two work days for mother, lots of dull and yawning adults, some cross and cranky kids. So it doesn't make sense, and we've known it for years. And year after year after year we've made the good vow of "never again." Some women have

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MENU NO. 1

Hot Spiced Essence of Tomato
Thin Salted Wafers

Chilled Pears Stuffed with Roquefort Cheese
Lorenzo Dressing

*Roast Turkey with Oyster Stuffing

Baked Onions stuffed with Mashed Yellow Turnip,
topped with Apple Sauce and Brown Sugar

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Cranberry Sauce

Pumpkin Refrigerator Pie with Spiced Ginger Crust

*From American Home Menu Maker



JEAN AUSTIN

Thanksgiving



MENU NO. 2

Hot Spiced Essence of Tomato
Thin Salted Wafers

Iced Salad Bowl

Crown Roast of Pork

Sausage, Apple, and Raisin Stuffing

Baked Onions Stuffed with Mashed Potato or
Mashed Turnip, topped with Apple Sauce and Brown Sugar
Hot Red Cabbage

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gone so far as to insist the family eat out on Thanksgiving.

Now there IS heresy. I'm not tradition-bound, not one whit. Yet we have so few traditions in America, about Thanksgiving and Christmas being family and in the family home I have strong convictions. The traditional extending of the stomach I can do, and have done, something about. Heed ye. What follows is good, plain sense. Good sense in the eating, good sense in the managing. Result? What should be a day of thanks IS a day of thanks—for the tradition of Thanksgiving, the beauty of this great country, the blessing of family get-togethers made so simple in this day of speedy transportation.

Now, let's plan a good Thanksgiving. We've agreed, I guess, that a rich soup is, for a 1950 Thanksgiving dinner, not a good starter. But a hot, spicy, fragrant bowl of soup is the right beginning for all good company dinners, and here you have it—a clear, radiant, and beautiful soup. And even more beautiful, it is far better if made the day before. So there's one burner cleared for THE day. It does its stuff whichever menu you choose and, what's more, of the aromatic spices and vegetables you've strained out (I'm ahead of myself) not one smidgen is wasted. Out of the "leavings" comes a delicious week-end chowder supper.

The iced salad bowl is the glamorous sort of thing the Stork Club in New York or Charlie's in Minneapolis, or dozens of other elegant eating places in the country, do all the time and charge for out of this world, considering how easy they are once a housefrau gets on to the idea. I do not like the word "basic" but here I have to use it, for that's all this is. Basically good food, so good all by itself it does not have to be fussed and fumed over. But if it be basic materials, do not mistake it for "plain" fare. It is served with *éclat*, in your company-best silver bowl, and lots and lots of ice (stingy on the ice is the housefrau touch), all of it snapping crisp. That's why customers pay high and pay gladly for it. But me, I'm a housefrau (except on ice and dramatic dishes) and I know how little time or money it takes to duplicate it. So why don't we—more often? It's all you'll ever need with a crown roast—and the time it saves. Here again, like the soup, it's at its very best if done far ahead of time. Likewise the pear salad, stuffed with Roquefort or Blue cheese. Cold, cold they must be to be wonderfully refreshing in the mouth after all the turkey you've just eaten. Pop the pre-stuffed pears out of the refrigerator, already set up on their green beds of water cress or endive. Give the Lorenzo dressing you've pre-made



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a quick shaking, add the water cress you've pre-chopped and tucked away in waxed paper and there's another lush course—THAT quick!

The turkey's a big boy—too much frame and too little left-over-makings for *my* money on anything under 16 pounds. An oyster stuffing and a bandage of cheesecloth oozing fat, has kept him moist and succulent—with nary a basting. The crown roast, looking so special, and not special at all because the butcher's done most of the fancy work, the sausage dressing not over-fat and different because of the apple slices and raisins in it. And right here, lest I forget, even the traditional "apple sauce with pork" is done the easy way. There are apples in the dressing, apple sauce topping the baked onions. Another serving, another dish done away with!

Baked onions appear on both menus, because both main courses have been sweet and filling. Onions give the needed tang and bite. The mashed potatoes or mashed turnips inside them are for tradition's sake and the exact amount to counter-act that bogged-down feeling we've been talking about—remember? Heaping bowls of mashed potatoes, two kinds of turnips or whatever—a great good look of plenty they give to a Thanksgiving table. That I know. But I also know that if they're there, they'll be eaten, and therein lies the trap. The turkey dinner menu does include a bowl of mashed potatoes, but there's a spacing of chilled pears between and the dessert is lighter.

And now our dessert. For the crown roast dinner, a cranberry and apple pie, with open crust to show the red and honey, to catch the eye. Exactly right it is, too, made extra big for extra big portions, for it's a tart and gladsome finish after all that's gone before. On the turkey dinner menu, something strictly of my doing and a bit of telling it needs. No Thanksgiving turkey dinner is Thanksgiving to me without a grand finale of pumpkin pie. To me, they're practically Siamese twins. But—and a big *but* it is—it's the pumpkin pie that always "dood it!" Not only stopped me, but stopped the



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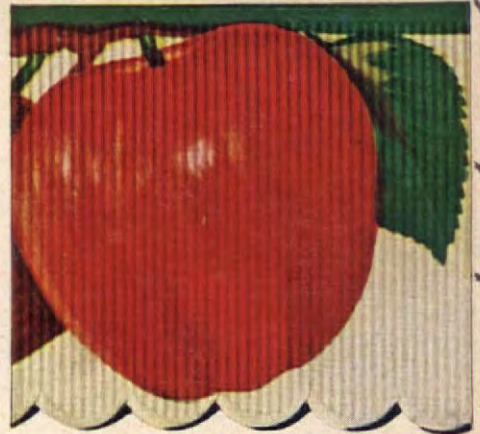
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kitchen program, for I do not like pumpkin pie long out of the oven. Mine is a light pie, but even so it seems to "sot" in its way if it's made too far ahead. The problem, not to have have a sodden pie on the same schedule calling for a wallop of a bird that takes every inch of oven. Wedge him in the oven, and there wasn't room for a very thin snowflake between the racks.

Came the double-barreled idea of a pumpkin pie that could be made ahead of time, a pie that didn't fill me to the gullet when I'd reached capacity with the thinnest soup, the most turkey and a chilled, refreshing salad. What? A pumpkin pie that has everything a pumpkin ever hoped to do. It is bland and smooth on the tongue, rests lightly on the stomach. The spices are in the ginger cookie crust. It's all done in the refrigerator—a day ahead. It comes forth plump, golden and proud. But for heaven's sake, keep a secret, can't you? Ask your family if they'd like pumpkin ice cream in a refrigerator crust instead of the same old pumpkin pie. They won't know, but their instant reaction will be a quick, violent "no." You go serenely ahead and make it. Hear the "ah's" when you serve it. Preen yourself to full width when they exclaim "well I never thought"—and they will, they will.

Now, if you're not too exhausted reading about how easy the doing is going to be, will you turn, please, to page 90. Mr. Swift, I believe, it was, bragged about using everything but the "squeak." Well, I've gone him one better. There is nothing, but nothing, you've done for Thanksgiving that can't be used that same week end. Had I had my way, it's the left-overs (and is that a sacrilegious word to use about those good things!), they would have been in full color, the very paper itself spiced and flavored, that all might know how leftover turkey in an herb-scented pie CAN give pleasure or leftover sausage stuffing give forth a second or even unto the third serving. Choose your menu, and out of this plethora of words, see how easy a good, big Thanksgiving can be. A happy Thanksgiving to all.

• pumpkin ice-box pie

Combine: $\frac{1}{2}$ cups light brown sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt
2 tbs. cornstarch
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. ground cinnamon
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. ground ginger
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. vanilla
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups canned pumpkin

Add: 1 large can evaporated milk, and cook in top double boiler until thick. Remove from heat.

Add: 2 tsp. gelatin dissolved in $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cold water and stir well.

Add: 4 egg yolks, beaten (save whites for meringue). Blend well and cool.

Fold in: 1 cup cream whipped to hold shape but not stiff. Pour in large refrigerator tray and, when partly frozen, take out and stir thoroughly, then pour over:

SPICED GINGER COOKIE CRUST

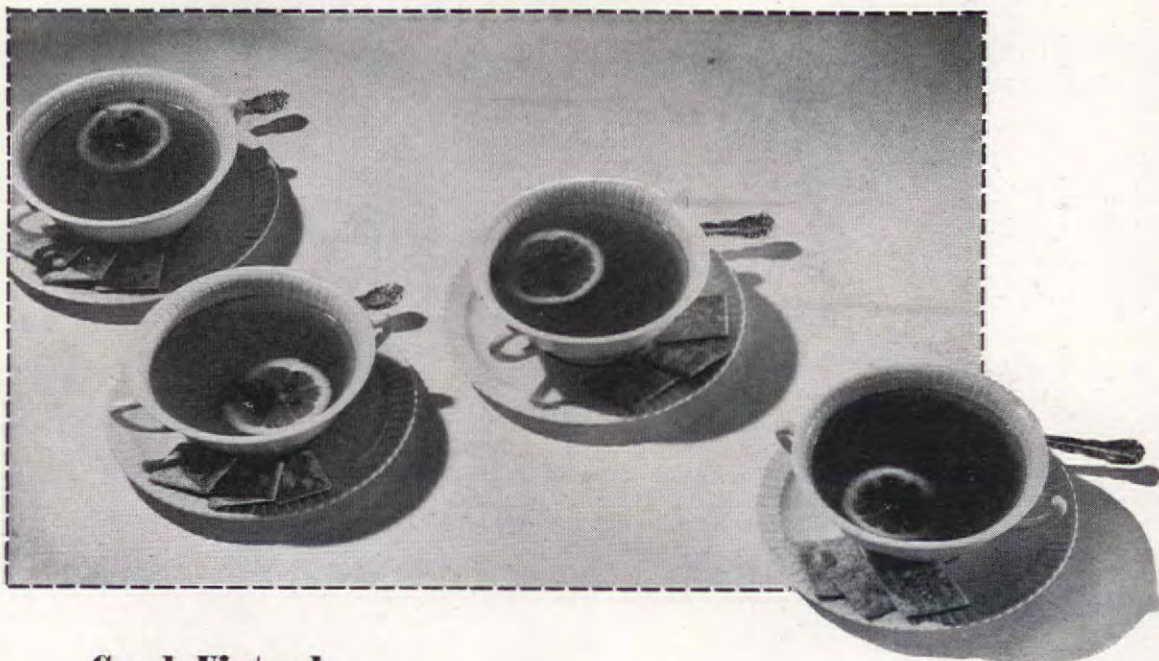
$1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 cups ginger cookie crumbs, rolled fine.

Mix: $\frac{1}{4}$ cup dark brown sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. nutmeg
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. ground cloves
2 tbs. finely chopped preserved orange peel

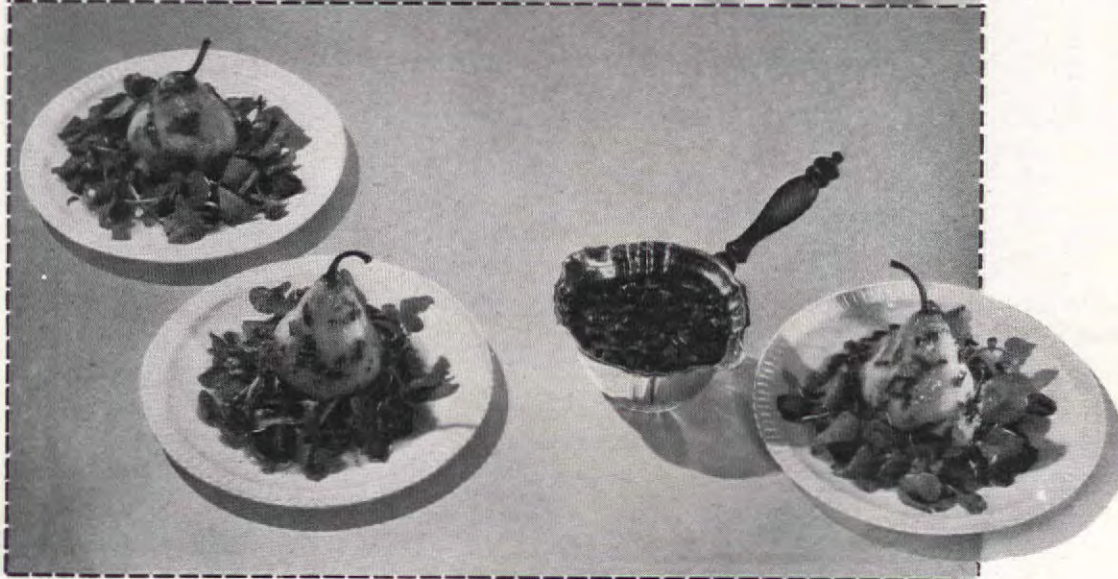
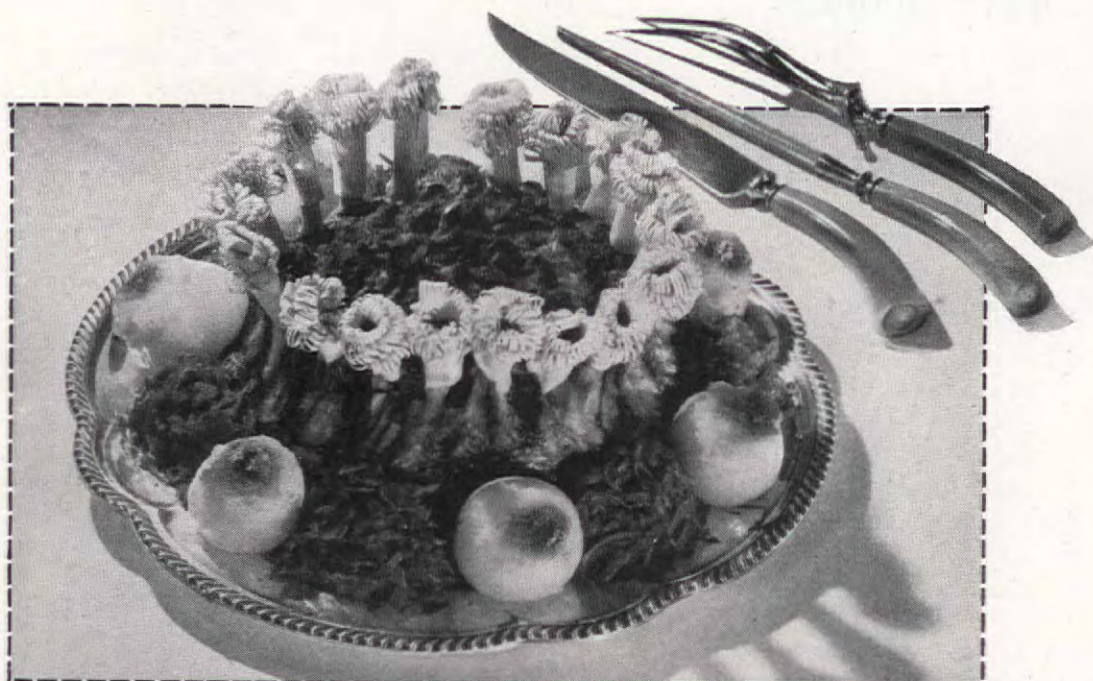
1 tbs. finely chopped preserved ginger (bottom and sides) with mixture, pressing very firmly with back of spoon. Should be about $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick. Pour pumpkin filling over and freeze.

Just before serving, put over top pre-cooked molasses meringue or garnish with a ring of chopped crystallized ginger. Time the taking out of freezer as you would any hard-frozen ice cream, for both the crust and the filling must not be too hard to cut easily.

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• essence of tomato

Mix in large, heavy saucepan: 1 qt. chicken stock (or 1 qt. chicken broth)
1 qt. canned tomatoes
2 cups diced celery
¾ cup chopped carrots
1 large onion stuck with whole cloves (about 2 dozen)
2 diced seeded green peppers
2 bay leaves, dill or blade of mace
Sprig of parsley
2 tsp. peppercorns
2 tsp. salt
Dash of cayenne

Cook slowly 30 minutes—let come to boil but do not allow to boil. Allow to get cold. The longer it stands in the spices and vegetables the better it is. Clear and strain. The strained vegetables and spices are wonderful in a clam chowder. Reheat when ready to serve. Lace with 4 tbs. sherry or top with spoon of sour cream.

Recipe by Jean Austin

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• crown roast of pork

Cover tip of each rib with a cube of salt pork (or square of raw potato). Tie strips of bacon around bottom section. Fill center with:

SAUSAGE, APPLE, AND RAISIN STUFFING:

Put through meat grinder:

- 1 medium-sized onion
- 2 stalks celery (stalk and leaves)
- 2 sprigs parsley
- 2 lbs. sausage meat

Add: 5-6 tart apples, sliced very thin and sprinkled with ½ cup brown sugar

½ cup floured seedless raisins

Grated rind 1 small lemon

½ tsp. nutmeg

Season heartily with black pepper and salt

(Amount depends on how highly seasoned your sausage is)

Toss until well mixed, bind with a little hot water.

Fill center of roast. Allow 30-35 min. per lb. at 350°. Remove cubes of pork or potato and the bacon and top each rib with the frilled paper panties your butcher gave you. Garnish platter with stuffed baked onions alternated with hot red cabbage or, if you prefer, mashed potato mounds alternated with glazed apple quarters or cinnamon apples.

Recipe by Jean Austin

• stuffed pears - Lorenzo dressing

Peel very thinly 1 whole pear per person, leaving stem on. Core out center from bottom and fill cavity with Roquefort or Blue cheese left out at room temperature for easy handling. Put in refrigerator and chill thoroughly. Serve on bed of endive or water cress, with Lorenzo dressing.*

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LORENZO DRESSING:

Mix thoroughly: ¼ cup vinegar
(tarragon, wine, or cider)
2 tsp. salt
½ tsp. English mustard

2 tsp. Worcestershire Sauce
¾ cup salad oil
Few grains pepper
Dash Tabasco

Add: ½ cup chili sauce, 1 cup finely chopped water cress. Stir just before serving.

Basic Recipe from Laura Lee Clements

• Manhattan, Rhode Island and Connecticut clam chowder

Dice and try out 2-inch cube fat salt pork in heavy skillet. Remove scraps. Slice 2 medium-sized onions and lightly brown in the fat. Remove and save onions. Cube and cook in same fat 3 cups potatoes. Cook over low flame about 10 minutes, stirring often. Remove potatoes to large saucepan. Mince hard part of 1 qt. clams, add to the potatoes (set aside the soft parts). Add fried browned onions. Cover with boiling water and simmer until potatoes are nearly done. Strain off water. Simmer gently for 30 minutes soft part of clams, 1 cup stewed tomatoes, your leftover "strainings" from the Essence of Tomato soup, plus any onion casualties suffered when you boiled them for Thanksgiving dinner. If you have clam juice, add it now. Strain over cooked potatoes and onions.

Add: 2 cups scalded milk
1 cup thin cream
2 tbs. butter

Salt and pepper to taste

Serve with oysterettes or over split pilot crackers which have been moistened in cold milk.

Important: Reheated, this chowder is even better, so make it ahead of time if you can. Serves 6 bountifully.

Recipe by Jean Austin

• tricks with leftover mashed potatoes

1. Spicy Potato Slices—To leftover mashed potatoes add broken bits of cooked bacon. Add chopped parsley, chopped onions (or onion juice) and green or red peppers, or both. Bind with the bacon drippings.

Form in long, small roll (large slices are harder to handle), wrap first in waxed paper, then in aluminum foil. When wanted, slice and fry in skillet or form in balls and fry in deep fat.

2. Finger-in-the-pie—Mix together leftover mashed potatoes and apple sauce, ($\frac{1}{2}$ potatoes to $\frac{1}{3}$ apple sauce). Divide and to $\frac{1}{2}$ of this mixture mix in leftover sausage stuffing or cooked sausage. (Leftover ground meat may be used, too.) Spread evenly in round, greased tin. Add remaining mixture and spread evenly. Starting in center, scoop out with finger a concentric circle about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide and deep enough to hold filling. Fill crevice with leftover sausage stuffing, sausage, or ground meat. Bake in moderate oven, until top is browned. Additional sausage in lower half of mixture not necessary, but makes this dish a more substantial meal, better proportion of meat to potato.

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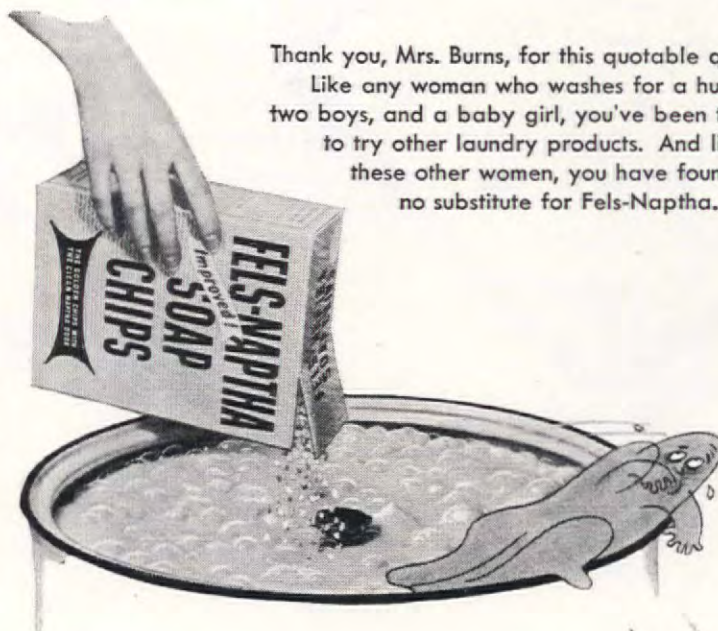
Good Victuals from Leftovers

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Good Victuals from Thanksgiving's

THE BIG FEAST IS OVER—but there's Friday, Saturday, and Sunday coming up. Nine more meals before we quite get the festive feeling and the festive eating out of the way for another year. Christmas, of course, is hot on our heels, but Christmas is different. Lots of good eating going on at Christmas, but we think of it as fun and parties, rather than just eating. At least I *hope* you do, for there'll be plenty of that spirit on our Christmas food pages.

But here, here—it's the day after Thanksgiving and in spite of the mountains of food consumed, you wish with all your heart the refrigerator were made of rubber, or you had at least two of them to take care of the leftovers you've jammed in there. Well, stop sighing. Do you realize, ma'am, that practically everything in there is practically pre-cooked, needing only some deft touches to yield forth really good victuals the rest of the week end? I'm telling the absolute truth when I tell you that often I have cooked a turkey on some non-hectic mid-week day for the sole purpose of making this turkey pie for fastidious guests on a hectic week end. It is Herman Smith's recipe. It's called Turkey Santiago. It's in our recipe booklet in case you didn't clip it. It's sheer heaven—and in just one little way have I ever been able to improve upon the original recipe for this turkey pie. I mix chopped parsley in the crust—to give a tang

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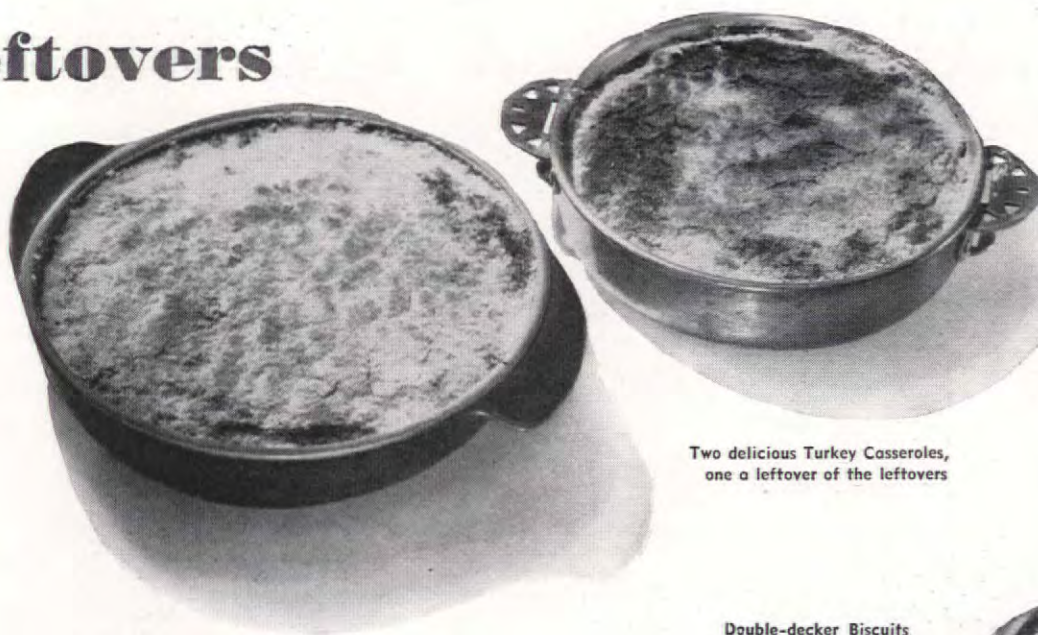
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Melt 2 1-oz. squares unsweetened chocolate. Pour over above and fold until all white "streaks" disappear. The less handling, the better the macaroon. Chill. Work with 2 teaspoons and spoon out on a baking sheet, first greased, then fitted with brown paper.

Bake in a 275° oven for 30 minutes. Leave oven door open and bake another 10 minutes.

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Recipe by Jean Austin

Good Victuals from Leftovers (Begins on page 90)

to the richness of the ripe olives, the dressing, the gravy, and the crust.

You may have scads of clever tricks with leftover mashed potatoes. Most people are defeated by them, however thrifty they be or cunning about concealing leftovers. Here are two things I have done with them, and I pass them on for what they may be worth to you. One can be done before you put the leftover mashed potatoes back in the refrigerator—ready to slice and fry whenever you want them, a neat and space-saving foil-wrapped roll in your refrigerator. The other is a one-dish meal. "Finger-in-the-pie" I call

• leftover turkey (or chicken) casseroles

1. In a greased casserole put $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 can of corn (kernels, not cream style), depending on amount of turkey used. Cover with slices of turkey. Pour over this a rich cheese sauce, made with cheddar-type cheese and a hint of onion juice. Cover with bread crumbs mixed with Parmesan cheese. Dot with butter. Reheat in oven until turkey is thoroughly hot and sauce bubbles. If top is not browned, run quickly under broiler flame.

2. To leftovers of above casserole, or to further extend a wee bit of turkey, begin as above, adding the following before crumb and cheese top is put on.* Heat together:

- 1 cup tomato soup
- $\frac{1}{2}$ small onion, chopped
- $\frac{1}{2}$ clove garlic, chopped
- 1 small bay leaf
- 2 whole cloves

Strain over first mixture. Cut 3-4 hard-cooked eggs in halves and place around top.

*If first mixture has already been cooked and is a leftover, take out of casserole and reheat in double boiler. Replace in casserole and add tomato sauce and eggs over it.

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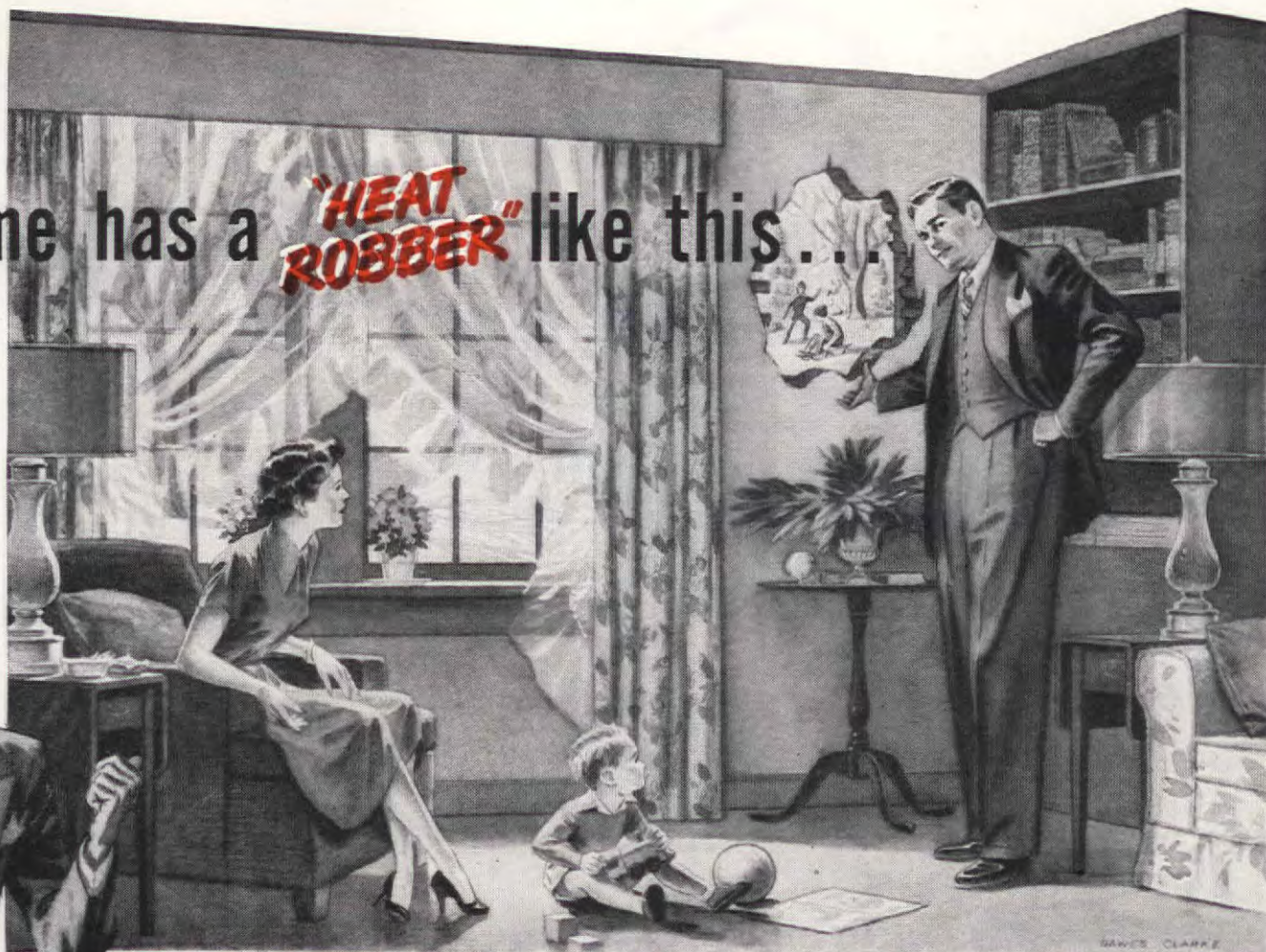
it, because it's just that. You mix the mashed potatoes with apple sauce and put it in a tin. With your bare finger you start in the middle and gouge out a concentric circle. Fill it up with your leftover sausage stuffing—or plain cooked sausage. Toss a salad, heat some rolls—and it's a fine looking meal you'll have.

Remember when you were reading about the soup and I told you to be sure to save everything left in the strainer? And I also cautioned you—or should have—to save all the casualties when you scooped out the onions for baking. Well there, with a few clams and precious little else, you have the makings of a good chowder. Note, please, its title on the recipe card. You can't embroil me in that with-or-without-the-tomato battle. I come from Maine. Milk, not tomatoes, is a hallowed tradition. But in Rhode Island and Connecticut they do use tomatoes—and since when have they not been New England?

Who on earth can make the stuffing come out even with the roast or bird? I can't, but there's no problem with the oyster turkey stuffing—it's all been eaten up, Santiago style, in that good turkey pie. But if it's the

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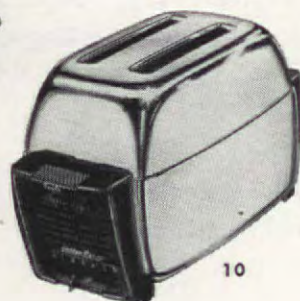
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The Appliance Story

EDITH RAMSAY



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Nan was ready to weep on husband Bob's shoulder. "Just look at my floors!" she wailed. "Ugly worn spots are beginning to show—and they *were* so lovely!"



"Looks bad," Bob said. "And no wonder! Look at the punishment floors take, day after day, from scuffing feet! Floors get more wear than any other part of the house."



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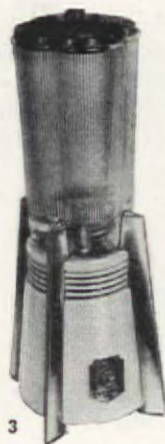
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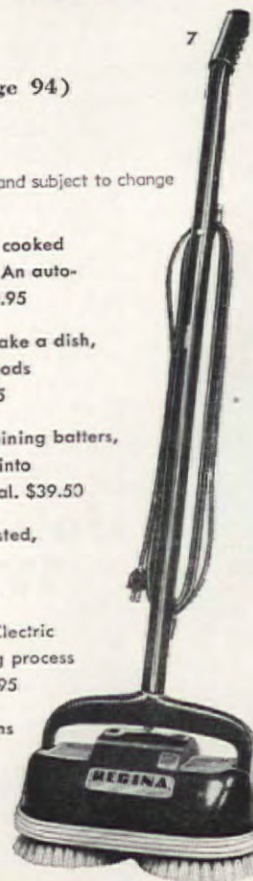
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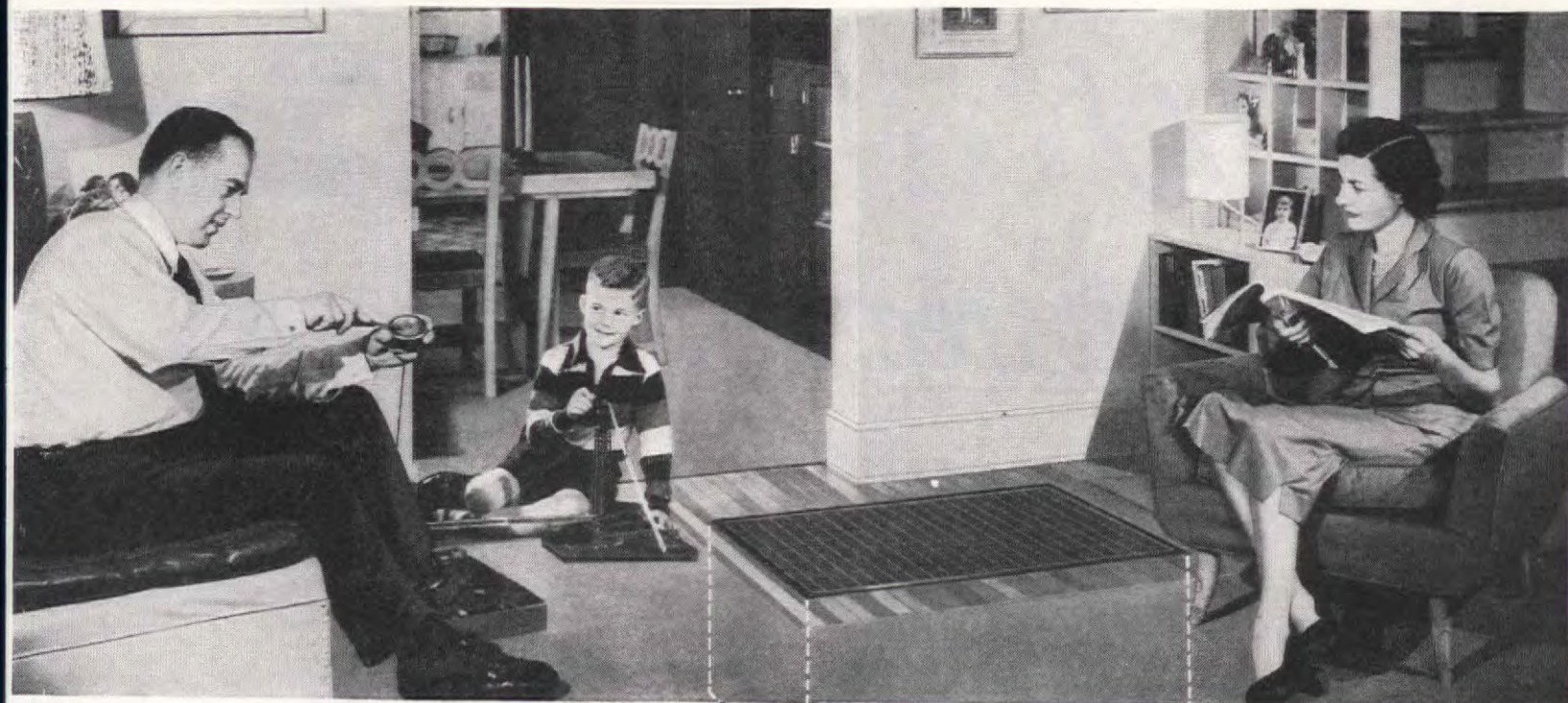


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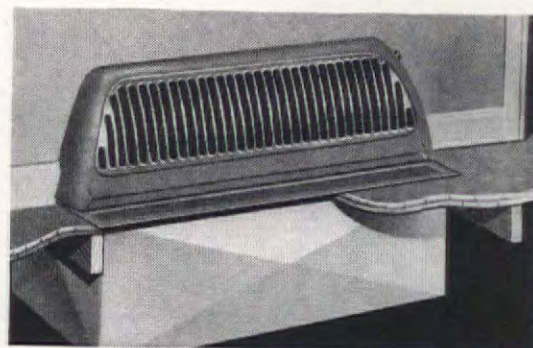
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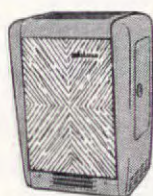
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From Leftovers

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crown roast you've settled on, there's bound to be lots of stuffing left. The first Finger-in-the-pie used some of it; here's another variation. Use biscuit mix, put your finger in it, exactly as you did before, fill cavity with sausage, glaze lightly with apple sauce mixed with a little brown sugar and you have a pretty fancy dish of biscuit to set before your king. Or, save the sausage stuffing for Sunday's brunch, and serve it between layers and layers of pancakes, with hot maple syrup in which you've melted your butter. Secret! Two blobs of butter on top looks very lavish but actually a little butter melted with the syrup saves over everybody serving himself to cold butter. Yea, verily, even a fourth way to use your leftover sausage stuffing. A big biscuit on the bottom, a layer of sausage, then a smaller, thinner biscuit and, atop of it all, a dab of apple sauce with a sprinkling of brown sugar. Quick and glamorous accompaniment to a salad or a can of hot pea soup.

By this time, there's no way of my telling how much turkey you have left, really. There may be enough for one or both of these casseroles. But there should surely be enough shreds and bits to do the second of them, for a can of condensed tomato soup and some hard-cooked eggs do a powerful good job of extending a meager bit of turkey. It's a leftover of a leftover—can you top that?

Sometime during the week end, you'll have time to pop in a tray of the very, very good lemon cream and forget it until you need it. It's the same lemon sherbet recipe in our recipe file, using $\frac{3}{4}$ milk, $\frac{3}{4}$ cream and beaten again when half frozen. In case you think I bragged about going Mr. Swift one better, I'll just prove to you it was no idle boast. I've even thought about using up the extra oven space and extra oven slow heat in case you made a meringue for your pumpkin pie. These chocolate macaroons are a quickie to make if I ever made one, and easy to keep—until the family spots them. They bake happily with a meringue—same temperature, same slow cooking. They're delicious with lemon cream but good heavens, they're good without anything else at all.

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boys his age since he faces a difficult adjustment, which they will never experience, and therefore requires more understanding.

Finding the emotional stopgap is a major problem to stepparents like Mary Dawson. Experts on such matters agree that you had better recognize it before you try to solve it.

In discussing the care of stepchildren with two child psychologists, we learned that one of the first moves for stepparents to make is to include the child in your emotional budget. Make every effort to give the child a good deal of affection. It won't be long before you begin to get it back.

Go out of your way to include the child in many of your activities. Create an atmosphere of family life—not an imitation honeymoon. The investment you make in the child's emotional security can make a marriage happy or bankrupt.

Look at this ready-made relationship from all angles, including the child's. There will be no compass to guide you except the understanding and insight which you bring to bear on the problem. But you can hardly go wrong if you remember how important it is to make the child feel wanted and loved. Keep that goal ever in your mind.

Dr. Margaret Mead, the famous anthropologist, said in her recent book *And Keep Your Powder Dry*: "From broken homes come our delinquents and neurotics; from unbroken homes come the ordinary Americans, terribly impressed with the fragility and importance of those homes which made them into regular fellows, not children about whom other children whispered and whom teachers and neighbors commiserated."

A recent publication of the U.S. Children's Bureau says that difficulties at school, conflict with authority, social withdrawal, and stealing are all symptoms of maladjustment. And the lack of a sound family relationship does cause maladjustment.

Often, of course, a stepparent faces problems which are actually the fault of the real parent. Susan came up against such difficulties when she married Ken Darrow, a widower with a 13-year-old daughter.

Betty was blonde and lovely and the apple of her father's eye. He frankly spoiled his adored child. Since the death of his first wife, Betty knew that her father would grant her every wish and she took advantage of it.

When Susan married Ken Darrow she fully expected to have trouble with Betty. She was quite aware that the child was spoiled and selfish. But she was determined to bring Betty up as if she were her very own daughter.

"I don't want to be a comic strip type of stepmother," Susan told her friends. "If I can do a good job in

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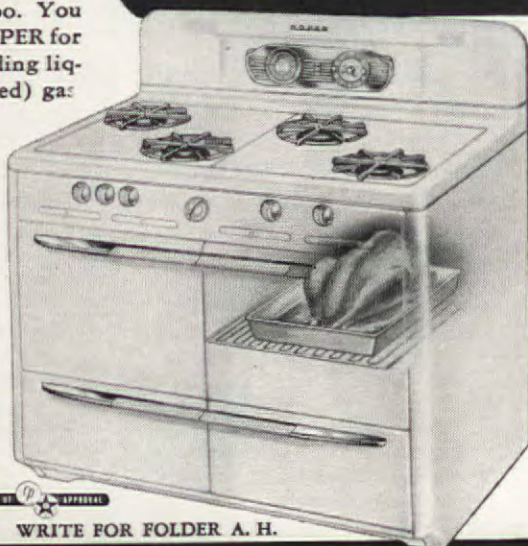


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bringing Betty up, we'll all be happy."

This wasn't as easy as it sounded. When Susan bought a new dress, for instance, and her husband admired it, Betty burst into tears of jealous rage. She couldn't bear to share her father's admiration with anyone else.

When Betty was disciplined, she would complain to her father. There would be a scene. Ken Darrow was torn between the knowledge that his wife was right and the fact that he was unaccustomed to disciplining his darling daughter.

Virginia Clary, Director of Social Work for the Juvenile Court in Washington, D.C., undertook to analyze Betty's problem—still looking at the angle of emotional security.

"Just think what the death of Betty's mother meant to that child. She was left frightened and insecure. Gradually her father's strong devotion came to the rescue and Betty felt that she was entitled to all of it."

We wondered aloud whether Ken Darrow's strong sense of responsibility precluded his right to marry. As he saw it, Betty had reached an age when it was important that she have a mother to guide her. He worried about bringing up an adolescent girl by himself. When he fell in love with Susan, it seemed like the perfect answer. Miss Clary agreed that Mr. Darrow should have married the woman he loved.

"The child needs something more than good care, however," Miss Clary said. "She needs special understanding to get past that period when a stepmother's very presence seems to threaten the child's whole world. Love is the best antidote for fear. The problem in this case seems to be to convince Betty that her father loves her just as deeply as he ever did."

There are no cut-and-dried rules which would apply to all stepparents. But conscious, intelligent effort will avoid some of the obvious pitfalls.

If a new wife is sure of her own place in the family, she will find it much easier to sidestep that peculiar sense of rivalry which mars so many second marriages in which children are involved. This often begins when the stepmother tries to ration her husband's love of his own children.

"Where that happens," Miss Clary said, "there is almost no end to it. The child and the wife vie with each other so much that it forces even the smartest husband to take sides."

It is not difficult to find the reasons for such actions. Children such as Betty were part of their fathers' lives before they remarried. They are links with a past in which the second wife never shared. So often women are possessive in their love of a man.

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to be fair to her stepchildren. She wants her man to herself. It takes character to accept a former marriage sensibly. And the presence of the children is a constant reminder of a previous intimate relationship.

Existence of a nagging fear that the husband might have loved his first wife better can make the second wife feel insecure. Constant doses of such mental poison can so upset even a devoted wife that she unconsciously takes it out on the stepchild.

Men make better stepparents than women in most cases. They are not as possessive in their love. Nor do they have to spend as much time with the children.

The man who marries a woman with children usually accepts his responsibilities more gracefully. Such cases as that of Dick Sawyer are quite usual. When he married Peggy she was a widow with two children.

When he first called on Peggy, he made it plain that he was visiting the youngsters as well. But he was careful not to force himself on them. The children received the same attention from their mother that they had always got. In addition, they had a new father to read to them, take them on picnics, and show a genuine interest in them. In a short time they were a happy family unit.

Dr. Sydney Berman, psychiatrist with the Washington Institute of Mental Hygiene, explains the success of this family very simply.

"Each member of this family," says Dr. Berman, "feels secure in his own place in that family. The wife knows that her husband loves her. And the children know that both their mother and stepfather love and want them."

"If both parents are alive it is important to know just where the child's loyalty lies. If the stepparent is intelligent," Dr. Berman says, "the child's loyalty can be expanded to include another person."

This psychiatrist also stressed the importance of discussing the future step-up of the family before marriage. This should be done in order that each member of the family knows what his responsibilities will be.

A child's world is very small and easily shaken. It is difficult for him to accept important changes unless he is aided over the hard bumps.

The situations in which men and women face stepparenthood vary, like human nature itself. No two cases are exactly alike just as no two men and women are alike.

However, the psychiatrists and child psychologists stress the need for each member of the family to have a deep sense of security in his niche of that family. A child needs to feel this most of all. It is up to the adults responsible for his care to give him that sense of security.

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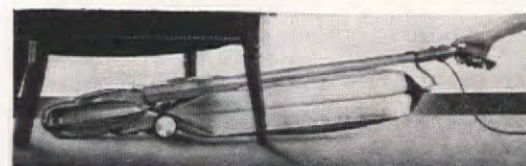
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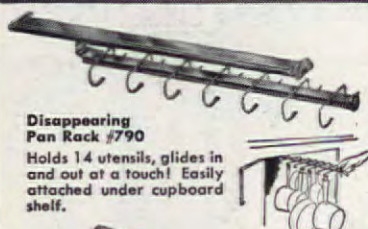
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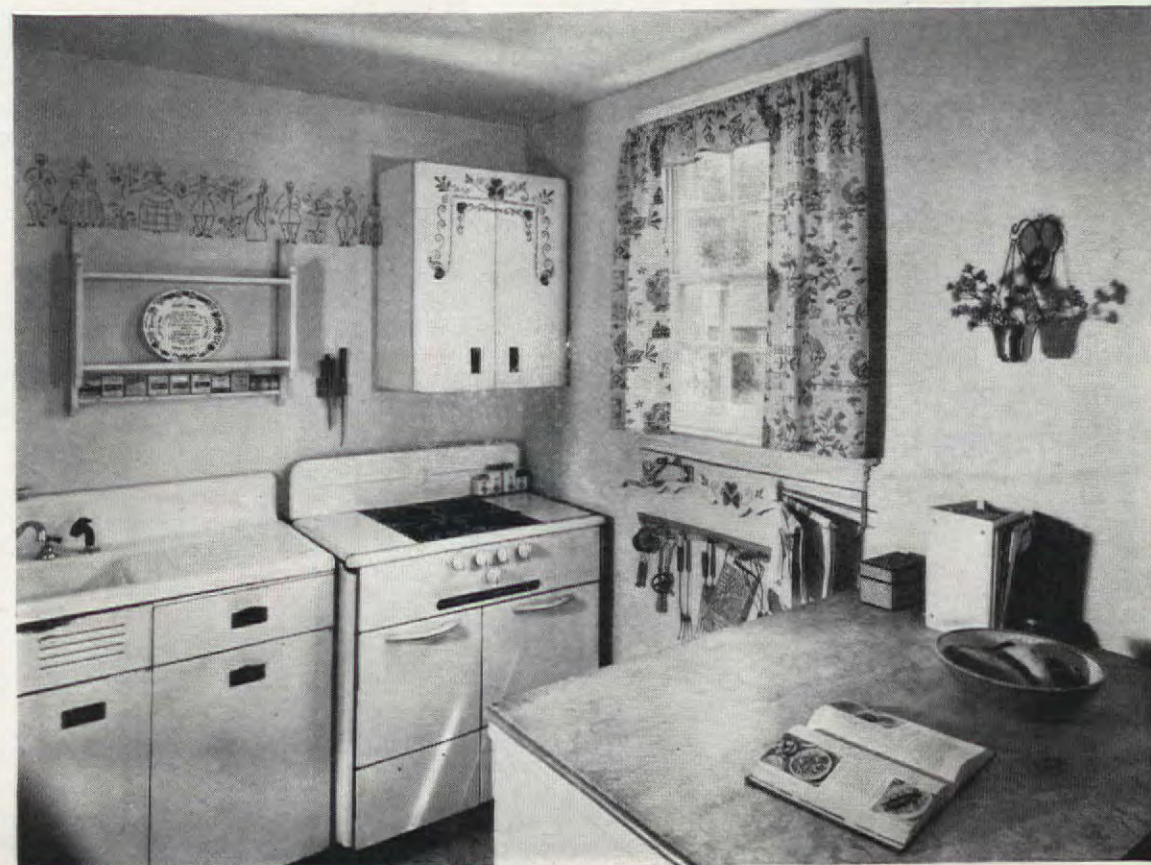
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I added two closets in our bedroom, either side of the window, forming a nook for the vanity. Revolving rack holds Betty's shoes



Room-width shelves for books were built along one wall of the guest room. We papered the ceiling and one wall in clover patterned wallpaper, painted remaining walls leaf-green to match. Painted decorations, gay peasant curtains add color to our kitchen



Short on Ready Cash

(Begins on page 56)

material, your job is half done. It's that first impetus which is so necessary to get you started.

Two walls in the living room were left unpaneled, and we painted them a soft yellow. The upholstery is predominantly forest-green, so we used this shade to trim the curtains made from sheeting. The braided rug combines practically all the colors in the room, and gives it a homey touch.

We wanted the dining room to look cool and easy, so we carried the green tone over from the living room, and it forms a nice background to our "original" pine furniture. We conjured up two closets where there were none in the space on each side of the bedroom dressing table. I also solved a troublesome shoe storage problem by making Betty a revolving rack from wire clothes hangers and a little wood.

We gave the kitchen a shot in the arm by painting Pennsylvania Dutch figures and designs on the walls and cupboards to relieve the plain look of solid light yellow which was used throughout. Betty made curtains of a brilliant peasant design, making the place shout to be admired.

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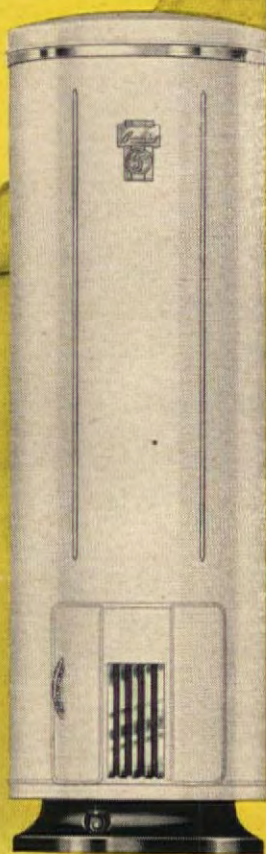


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Photographs by F. M. Demarest

Proper care of linoleum, whether inlaid or felt-base printed, will add years to its life and attractiveness. Brand-new linoleum should not be washed until it has been in service for a few days. Use damp cloth or mop and mild soap. Rinse thoroughly, allow floor to dry completely. Never use scouring powders, harsh abrasives, or strong soaps. Be careful not to flood with water—this loosens cement in joints.

After floor is completely dry, apply thin coat of water-soluble wax. Several thin applications, buffed between each application (if not self-polishing wax), are much more satisfactory than one heavy coat of wax. Printed linoleum usually has coat of lacquer applied at the factory. It may be re-lacquered, but if waxed, all traces of wax must be removed before lacquering. Never use lacquer, varnish, or shellac on inlaid linoleum.





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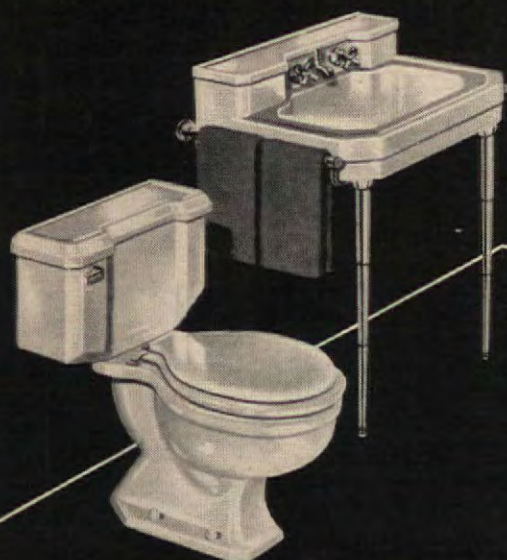
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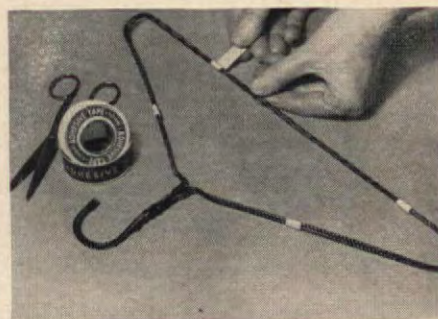
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Data from William Swallow



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A pair of work gloves comes in handy for cleaning Venetian blinds. Turn gloves inside out to expose soft lining. Put on gloves and simply wipe dust off the slats



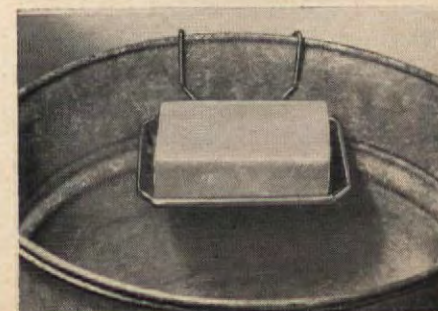
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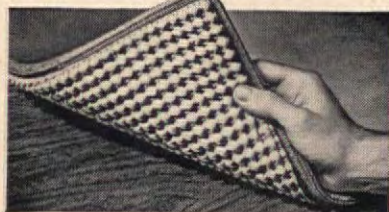
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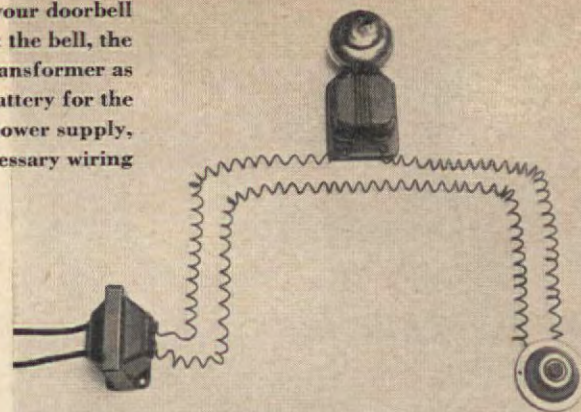
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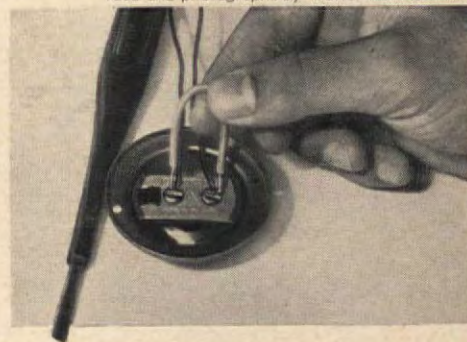


How to repair a doorbell

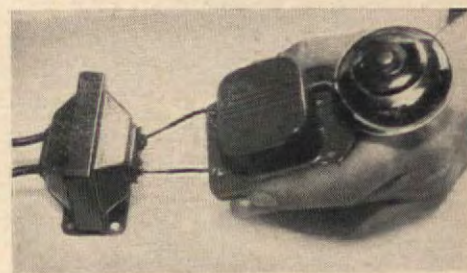
Here's a home maintenance job that's physically easy, not messy, and takes very little time. Since all doorbells work on low voltage current, there's no fire hazard or danger of shock. To find the trouble when the bell won't work is a simple matter of checking the circuit until you find the bad spot. If it's the button, transformer, or battery, install a new one. If tightening connections or cleaning doesn't fix the bell or chimes, get new ones. Use #18 bell wire when a new length is needed. If the bell rings constantly, or the transformer is hot to touch, look for bare wires that touch, separate and tape them.

Idea and photographs by Walter Ian Fischman

First remove the button from the wall and test it by bridging the two wire connections with a short piece of wire. If the bell rings, the button is the culprit. Before getting a new one, try tightening the screws; that may cure the trouble

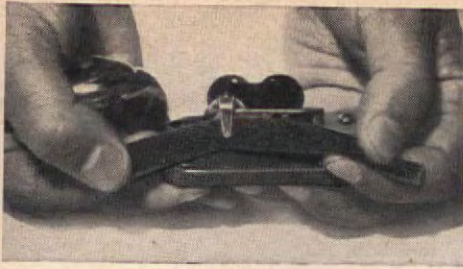


Contact the transformer or battery terminals with a bell. If the bell clapper makes any sound or motion, the power supply is good. Also check at the house fuse box for the transformer fuse or loose wires

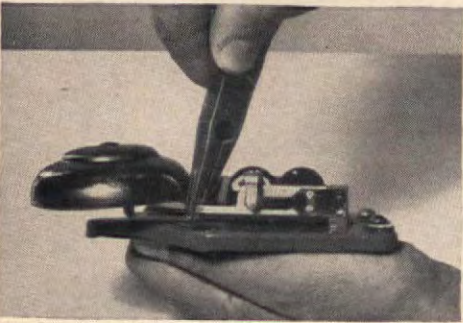


With the power supply in order, test the wiring for breaks. Remove the bell and twist the wires together. Scrape the wiring bare at short intervals and touch it with wires from the bell. The bell will ring until a break is passed. Splice and tape all breaks

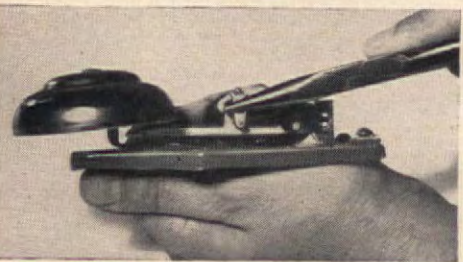




A strip of emery cloth to clean dirty contacts and a screwdriver to tighten loose wires will cure the only troubles that are apt to stop the bell itself from working. Check these before using the bell to test the wiring and power

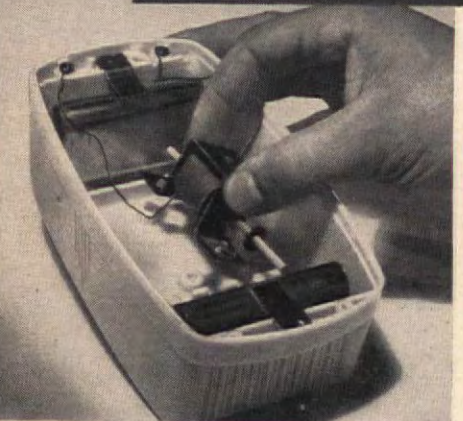


If the clapper doesn't strike the bell when it moves, bend the arm with small pliers. Adjust it a little at a time and test the tone of the bell after each adjustment

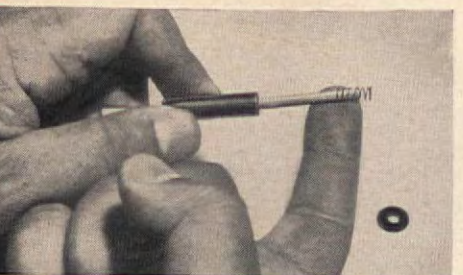


Bend the contact tab with pliers to change the vibration speed of the clapper arm. On some bells there is a screw to make this adjustment

How to service door chimes



The electric circuit and its servicing are the same for chimes and bells. The operating heart of chimes is one or two solenoids and a sliding rod. Take the cover or back of the chimes off and remove the solenoid to clean it. In some models the solenoid can be cleaned without dismounting it



Be careful of the little spring that is on some rods. Its purpose is to return the rod to the original position after striking the chime, and it won't work properly if damaged in any way



Dip a pipe cleaner in cleaning fluid and swab out the inside of the solenoid. Also clean the rod with the fluid. Reassemble the chime. Do not oil it. Oil isn't necessary and will catch dirt quickly. Clean the chimes once a year



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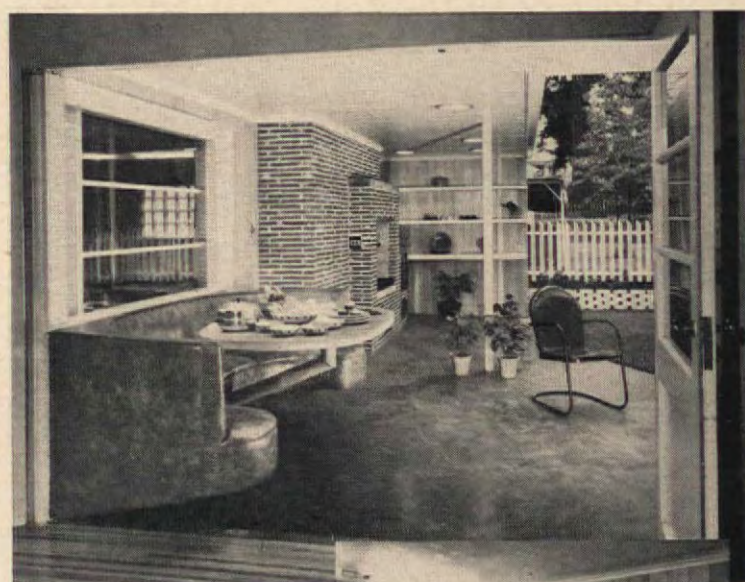
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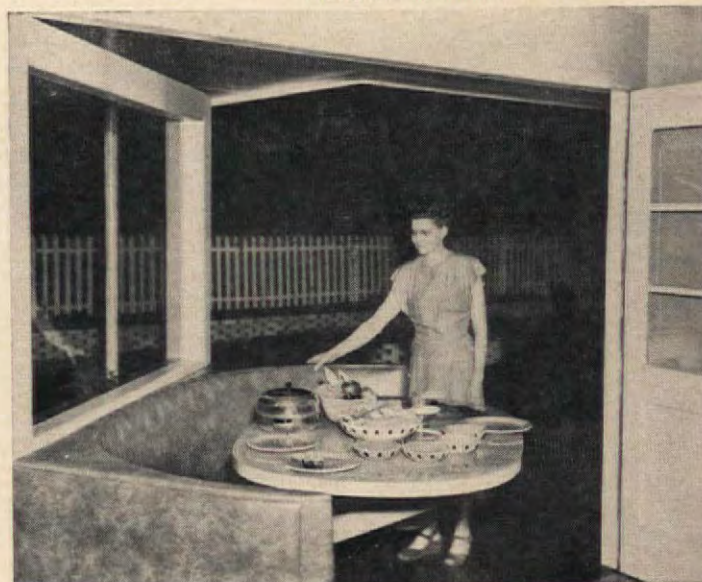
Indoor-Outdoor Breakfast Nook



A section of the wall in the breakfast room of the Howard E. Davis house has built-in curved banquette with oval table fastened to it. Hinged on one side, it is supported on ball-bearing casters at the bottom. Practical and smart, it serves a double purpose



Photographs by Leonard Delano



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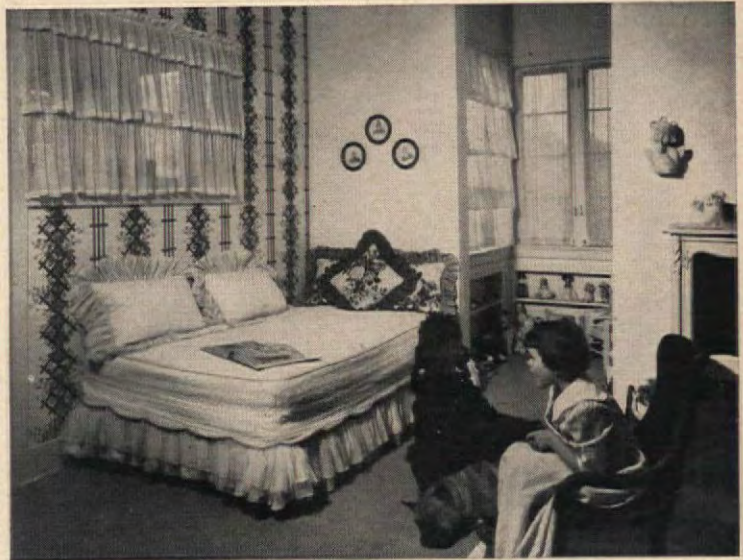
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It's Pink and Pretty, Now

(Begins on page 50)



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sealing unnecessary doors that destroyed wall space, moving, removing, or adding partitions, enlarging windows, completely revamping a tired kitchen, and adding storage space in almost every room.

The main drawback to a hillside house, and Mr. Good knew it, is the lack of outdoor sitting area. Surrounded by views, the views must be enjoyed from within, unless there are flat outdoor plots where one may relax with a sense of security. Although their house seems to hang from a crag, Mr. Good has, by bulldozing into the hillside, gained two outdoor terraces, and then, by building a catwalk from the dining room and kitchen level across to the top of the garage, contrived an outdoor living room that is as spacious as many back yards.

While Mr. Good swung along on his rugged remodeling bender, Mrs. Good was at work on the interior-decoration plans. For years the old house had slumped beneath the weight of dullish, almost willfully ugly, decoration, but Mrs. Good is a colorist with an airy disdain toward age limiting the attractiveness of a house. With a firm and convincing hand, she yanked the defeated house up on its wobbly, worn high heels and gave it a lesson on what the best-dressed old houses are wearing. It was her notion they should be allowed old possessions for adornment but, to refute the charges of fence-sitting, the old house and the prized old furniture should, *must*, be stepped up with modern colors and new, timely fabrics. We need only glance at the house to know that behind this free-wheeling judgment Mrs. Good has hold of a vital principle of artifice. The house may have had



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It's Pink and Pretty, Now

(Begins on page 50)

its more chipper days but it was never more beguiling to the roaming eye.

With considerable skill and imagination she has swished through the house with soft, modern color, carrying it with a consistency that gives it a personal accent. Her color is pink. It's an all pink house. She takes off with a fine, strong leap from her color springboard by painting the outside of the house a definite pink trimmed with rich, dark foliage-green. Plants—pink and white geraniums. Then, from entrance hall to living room on to bedrooms, and back down to the kitchen (the house climbs up the hillside on four levels) she uses pink with a slide-scale that shades from pastel to sun-faded pinkish terra cotta, or to coral-pink. But—every wall in every room of a pink house need not be a shade of pink. In the living room, pink steps down to become only an authoritative accent note in a green room and, in the den-sitting room, pink becomes an undertone combined with brown walls. It's a color scheme that maintains momentum without monotony.

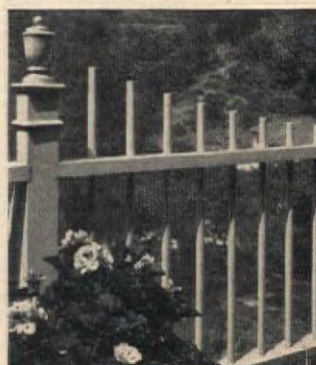
If Mrs. Good has depended upon imagination, let's say it's an enlightening imagination that warrants ear-bending. Most of us know when we get what we want in our homes, but it's something else to see a rosy future in a dull gray has-been!



Close-up of one section of storage wall backing up piano in den-sitting room. Stores records, magazines, films



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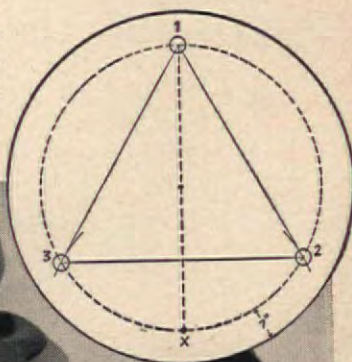
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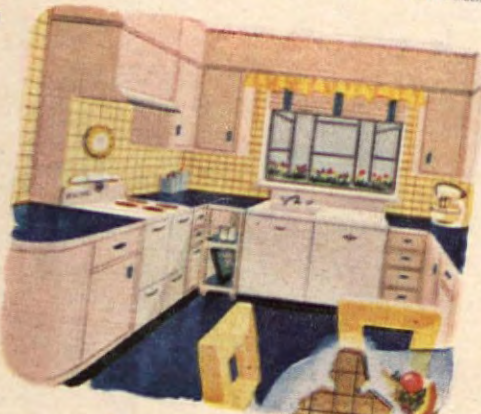
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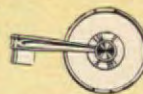
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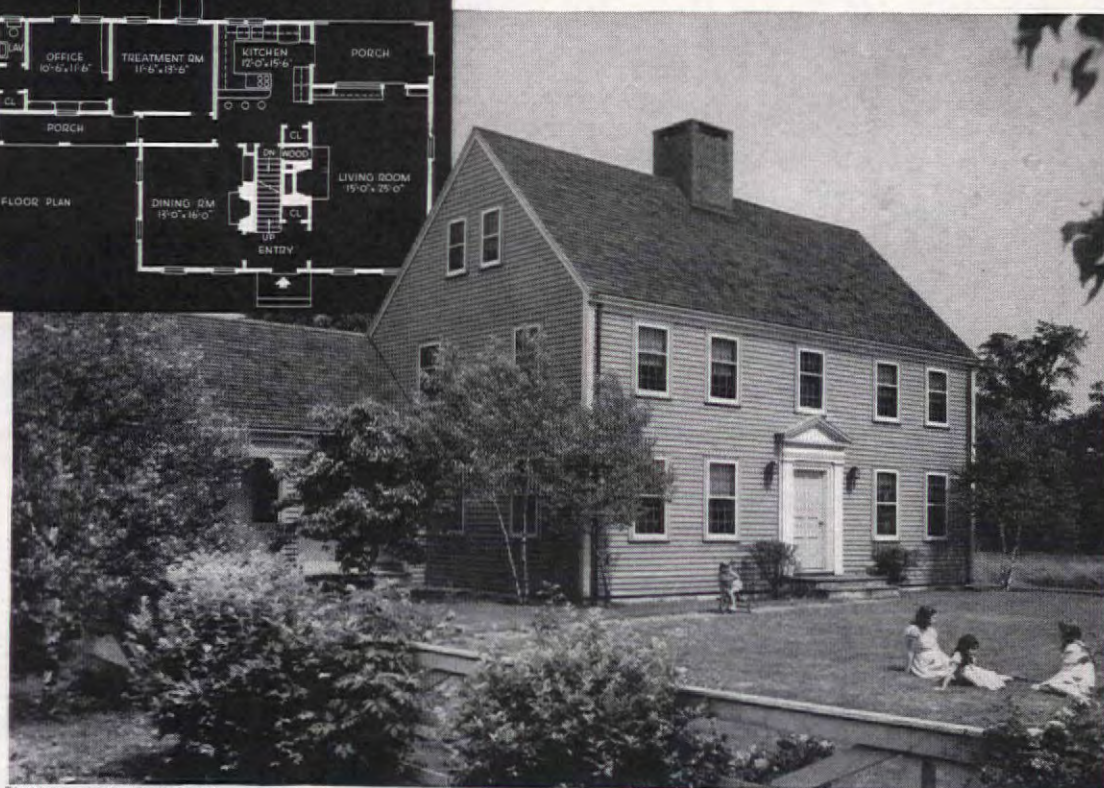
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The professional suite has a large waiting room which connects with Dr. Egee's office. Lavatory room and large closet between the two rooms have soundproof walls. The office also connects directly with the treatment room. There is a connecting door between office and garage so the doctor can reach his office without going through the reception room.

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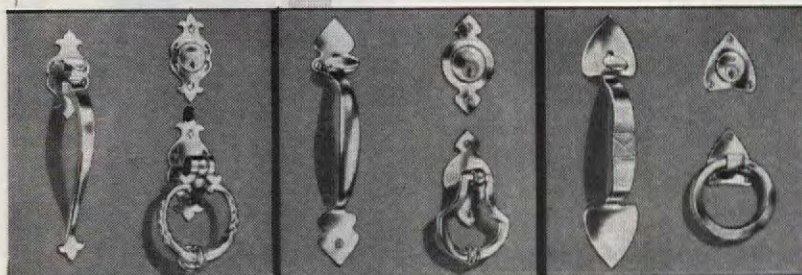


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Orchids

(Begins on page 54)

the atmosphere—not directly on the plants, but near by or in the next room. Next, a little water if needed and always, a spraying of the tops. As an added favor, let a 1000-watt bulb shine on them for a few hours at dusk in winter.

In summer, orchids enjoy a vacation outdoors, in an open, airy, but sheltered, place under trees where sunlight filters through the branches. Here they will need frequent watering if rains don't provide it, and all the foliage-spraying you can give them.

Five orchids that we have found easy to begin with (of course there are others) are: *Brassia verrucosa* from Guatemala, which will flourish on a kitchen window sill; has slim, spidery flowers in exotic tones of green-yellow with black and purple markings. *Oncidium varicosum*, one of the "butterfly orchids"; each blossom resembles a ballet dancer with full skirts. *Cypripedium maudiae*, a "lady's slipper" type, white, veined green; unlike most, it needn't dry out between waterings. *Epidendrum radicans*, a roadside weed in Costa Rica; leafy stalks bear small orange-red flowers in spikes; easy to grow. *Coelogyne cristata*, from the Himalayas; drooping sprays of snow-white, fragrant flowers, January to March.

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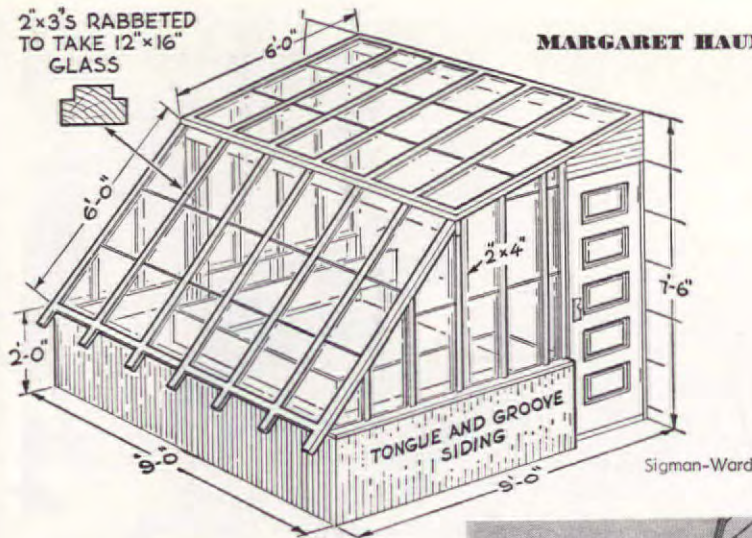
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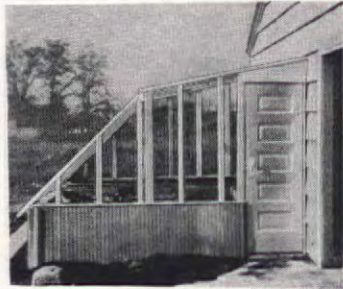
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Why a son of ours should develop a mania for raising orchids is beyond me. His father still calls irises "flags," and while I like to think I have a green-thumb soul, the actual digit seems to be but slightly verdant. Hence our surprise when, at sixteen, Keith began using words like "Odonoglossum" and "Zygopetalum," writing letters to odd addresses, and receiving strange objects wrapped in moss—orchids, if you please! Knowing that orchids are not happiest in an ordinary house, for months I endured daily sprayings of the sun porch and the soaking of orchids in kitchen sink and bathtub on Saturday mornings. Then I accepted the inevitable and found myself walking around the house with Keith, seeking a spot where he could attach a little greenhouse. He chose the sunny side of the garage (which, we then stipulated, must not be defaced) and made a plan and a list of needed materials.

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ous complicated systems, but as spring was coming, I suggested a common electric heater with a thermostat, and he got one. Placed on the floor across from the door, with the thermostat hung a foot from the roof, it did nobly. He aluminum-painted the woodwork to preserve it and tone it in with the garage, and at last spent a glorious day installing his orchids. (He also grew annuals for our garden, and enough melon plants for the neighborhood!) Soon we came to love the warm, earthy smell of the greenhouse and rarely came indoors at night without first stepping into his little plant domain.

Having proved that it was practical, a grand hobby, and a potential source of income, Keith then had to demonstrate that it was portable. Needing a larger house we, surprisingly, found one. So that summer, he reversed operations, carefully packed the glass in cartons, took the woodwork apart and bundled it for storage. Before he could rebuild, he became eighteen. It was college vs. military training, and the latter won out.

The orchids are in moss-filled boxes atop one of my fruit shelves where the sun can reach them; whenever I pass, I spray them with a syringe. On his last furlough, Keith said, "I think I'll put up the greenhouse before I go to college next year. You could run it for me, couldn't you?" I thought of my fruit shelves and heard myself saying, "Oh, yes. And we can try a cinder-block foundation, and that oil heater you read about."

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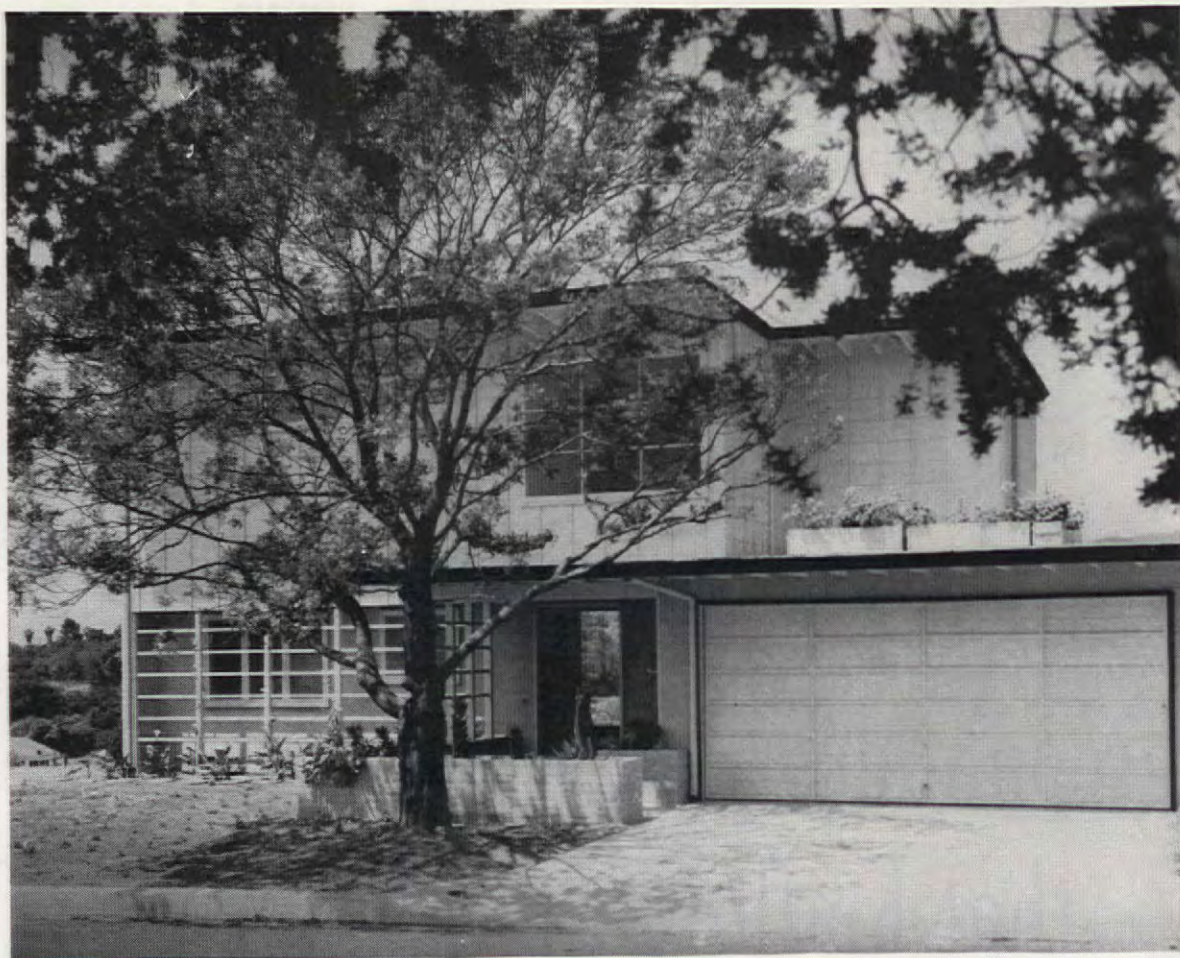
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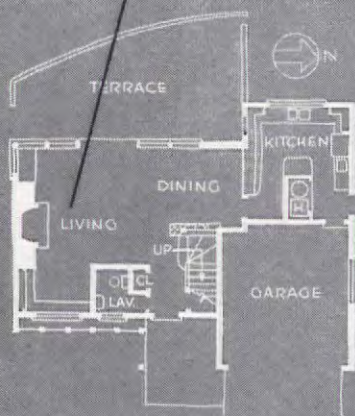
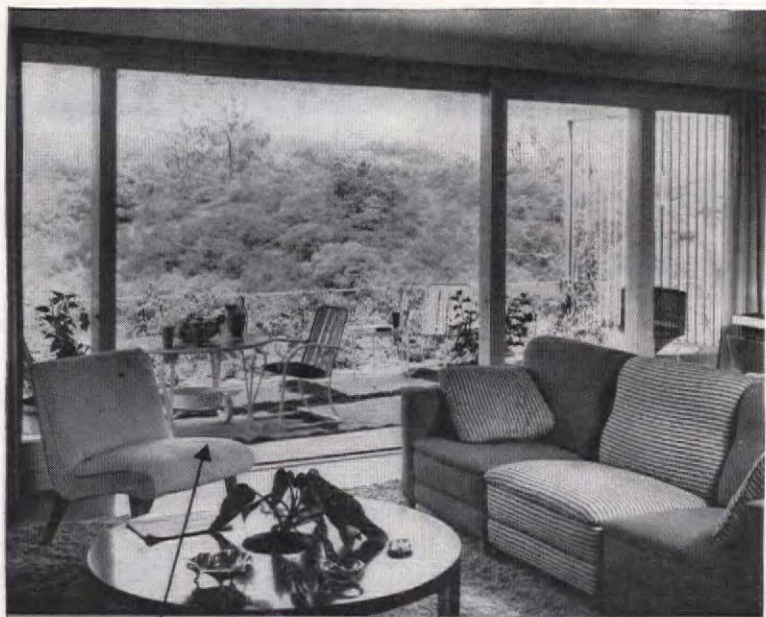
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What you see before you is the triumph of imagination over the facts of life, for here, indeed, was a problem in space—living space, that is. Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Strauss had a lot 50 feet wide and only 35 feet deep, on which to construct for themselves a comfortable, attractive, long-lasting house. And they did just that, although it took a lot of good, smart planning.

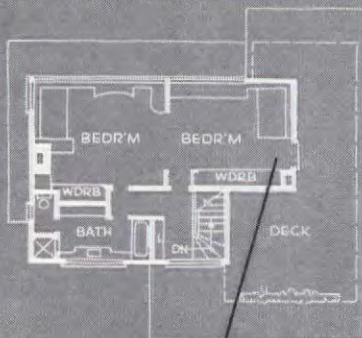
The property fell away to nothing in the back, which accounted for the 35-foot depth. Hence the Strausses decided on a two-story house, very little garden space, and they planned their outdoor living area in the rear, in order to enjoy the view of the hills and sea. The entire idea was to make an awful lot out of an awful little.

The outside is built of cement plaster and horizontal wood siding, with vertical battens. The roof-deck is a good idea in case they should ever decide to make an additional bedroom of it. Inside on the first floor there's a living-dining room, kitchen, and lavatory. The living-room floor is of blue concrete, with the dining, or bar end, covered in blue linoleum with cherry stripes. Furnishings in the living room are both muted and brilliant, combining cherry-red, yellow, gray, and white.

Mr. Strauss' bedroom is strictly masculine, but Mrs. Strauss goes far opposite in her own bedroom's furnishings, using white string rugs, peach bedspread, and feminine fripperies throughout. The two separate bedrooms can become one enormous bedroom by eliminating the folding doors. Sun-deck can become another bedroom.



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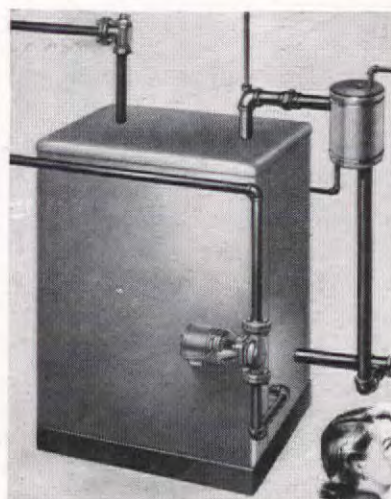
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In Your Home's Defense

STANLEY SCHULER

It was one of those lovely late summer days. I was in the garden—weeding between the flowers and dreaming the while of the things we could do about the place—when my wife called me to the phone.

It was a friend down the road. He went straight to the point. "I was wondering," he said. "What do you think we ought to do about this rifle club business?"

"What rifle club?" I asked. I had never even heard of one.

"The one down in the village," he said. "You heard they bought that piece of land back of your place, didn't you?"

"I never heard any part of it," I said in amazement.

"Well, I haven't got the whole story myself," he explained. "But here's what I heard."

It was really very simple. The rifle club, which had for years been shooting on borrowed land close to the village center, had bought a 20-acre tract on the road only 200 yards west of my house. It was undoubtedly ideal for a rifle range. But it adjoined my property, was just across the road from my friend's, and the hill against which the targets would be erected towered over the property of another friend to the south of my house.

"But can't we do anything to stop it?" I asked as my friend caught his breath. "I don't want a rifle range in my back yard. And neither do you. This is a residential zone, isn't it?"

"In an A Zone," he said simply, "it is perfectly legal to establish a club. All you have to do is get the town's permission. The rifle club's asked for that, and the case is going to be heard by the zoning board of appeals three weeks from Monday."

"But what can we do?" I asked.

"Well, we ought to get up a petition—why don't you write that?—and then everyone in the neighborhood ought to go down to the hearing and fight."

We talked further, discussing the pros and cons of the case. When I had a better idea of what the petition ought to contain, we hung up.

I returned to the garden. The sky was just as blue. The wind just as gentle. But the pleasure of cleaning the flower bed was gone. And my dreams of the future had been supplanted by the desperate thought that maybe we should move.

Suddenly I was faced with the unpleasant realization that our home—the home my wife and daughters and



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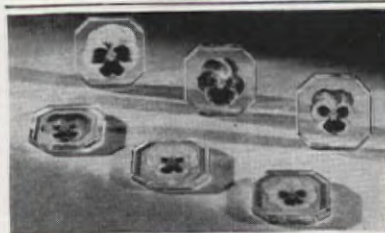
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Your Home's Defense

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I loved—was threatened. The advantages of living in the country would be nullified. Our property, paid for with our hard-earned life savings, would lose value drastically. And who could tell when the little girls would wander into the line of fire, or when a bullet would ricochet off a rock and through our windows?

Not many homeowners, I grant, wake up to find a rifle club aiming in the direction of their homes. But for every deadly nuisance such as a rifle club there are a hundred people who have an idea that they should be allowed to build a store or a public garage or a multi-unit dwelling in your neighborhood.

Should you let them do it, or should you argue? That's the first question you must answer. As a United States citizen and a property owner, it is your privilege to voice your opinion. And you should.

I was a babe in the woods. So, I discovered, were my neighbors. The town zoning regulations restricted our area to residences, but it was perfectly legal for the rifle club to set up a target range in the 20-acre tract behind my house if the town gave them permission. The club had requested such permission and the matter was to be considered by the zoning board of appeals three weeks from Monday. We, my neighbors and myself, decided to fight the granting of permission which would ruin our investment and family future.

None of us had ever gone before a zoning board. Consequently, ours was not a highly organized campaign. We did not hire a lawyer—not because we wouldn't have appreciated his advice—but because we felt that as ordinary homeowners we could win more sympathy by ourselves.

The petition I drew up was simple. The "whereases" and "be-it-resolveds" were held to a minimum. It merely stated the facts as my neighbors and I saw them, and wound up with the hope that the zoning board would deny the rifle club's request.

I typed several copies of the petition and put them in the hands of people who would circulate them. Every person contacted was given the full story, asked to sign the paper and urged to attend the zoning board meeting. "And don't be scared to get up and say your say," we told them.

The hearing three weeks later was held in a room at the town hall. People overflowed into the corridors. They weren't all there for our case. Other petitions were to be discussed, too. The gas company wanted to build a huge tank behind somebody's house. A woman in the one-acre zone wanted to divide her big house into apartments. Somebody wanted to build a store in another residential area. Our turn arrived at last, and the

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lawyer for the club was on his feet pointing out the value to the community of the rifle club and detailing the virtues of its proposed new range. He was a big, blustering man, and he talked too loud and made the business sound over-simple. But finally he was finished.

We presented our petition, and then, one by one, my neighbors rose to identify themselves and to give their reasons why the rifle range should not be established.

There were arguments, of course. Maps were brought out and studied. Accusations and counteraccusations were made. In all, we must have taken an hour before everyone had run out of words, and the board proceeded wearily to the next case.

A week later, the zoning board's decision was published. The rifle club's appeal had been denied.

Every part of the country has its own way of handling petitions for zoning changes or variances. But regardless of the rules, there is an established method of meeting the problem—if it is a problem.

First, remember that there is power in numbers. By this I do not mean that the more people you have on your side, the more pressure you can exert. Pressure tactics are necessary sometimes. But in many cases—particularly with a voluntary government body—they may backfire.

But zoning boards are bound to be influenced by the number of people who express themselves. For instance, if our petition in the rifle range case had been signed by only ten homeowners, it might not have been given much attention. Or if only six of us had appeared at the hearing, the board might have figured that no one was really seriously worried about the rifle range, so why not grant the club's request. But because we showed up *en masse*, and because all but the most timid got on their feet to speak their minds, the board could see that many people were aroused and worried.

Second, organize your campaign. In most zoning cases no elaborate campaign procedure is necessary.

Just prepare a simple petition stating the facts. This serves not only to argue your case before the board, but also crystallizes the thoughts of the people who sign it.

Get all the signatures you can. Be sure there is a good turn-out for the hearing. And see that your people get up and voice their opinions.

That's all there is to the campaign, unless the case is of such town-wide interest that you should organize a pre-hearing publicity rally.

Third, make sure of your facts. Anyone who appears before a zoning board has two types of ammunition, his opinions and the facts of the mat-

ter. The former may or may not have value; but every American is at least entitled to express them. The latter, however, are the sum and substance of a convincing argument.

Sound facts make a good impression, but if what you state as facts cannot be supported they make your arguments sound suspicious.

Looking back now, I think that's one thing that hurt the rifle club. The map their lawyer used did not show a critical house. The lawyer said that .22 caliber ammunition would be used exclusively. But it turned out that the club would also use larger caliber ammunition.

Such embarrassing situations can be avoided, if before you go to the zoning board hearing, you make certain that everyone on your side knows what he is talking about—that if he doesn't know the facts he will leave the talking to someone who does.

That, in short, is all there is to defending yourself, your home, and your neighborhood against an undesirable deviation from zoning laws.

But note that these are purely last-minute measures.

One other step that you would do well to take in anticipation of trouble: Organize your neighborhood now.

I am a member of an organization that calls itself the Mianus River Valley Property Owners' Association. Despite the name, it isn't a very imposing body. It is nothing more than the banding together of the majority of the homeowners in my neighborhood. It has the usual quota of officers; it even retains a lawyer. Beyond that it has no rigid organization. We pay a dollar annual dues and special assessments when necessary. We meet only when the occasion demands.

Now I know that if ever I'm confronted with a zoning-variance fight, I can reasonably expect the association to come to my support. For whatever affects me, in the long run, affects the entire community.

Zoning regulations are created to protect property owners from the encroachments of a restless, commercial world. There is legal machinery for changing the regulations if the change is in the best interests of the majority in the community, so the zoning laws are not really in the way of the wheels of progress. And not every request for a zoning variance is dangerous and something to oppose. Many, perhaps most, are perfectly legitimate, even necessary.

But when someone requests a change that is obviously out of line, if you value your home and love it as your anchor in an unsettled world, you have every right to fight for it. It may be an unpleasant business, but it's one you cannot ignore in the defense of your home.

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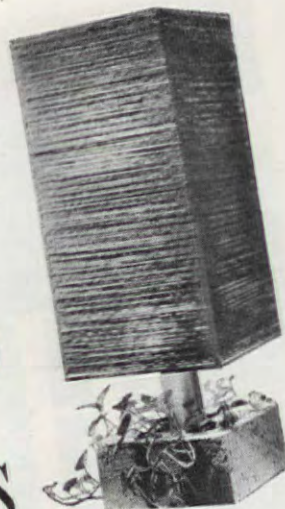
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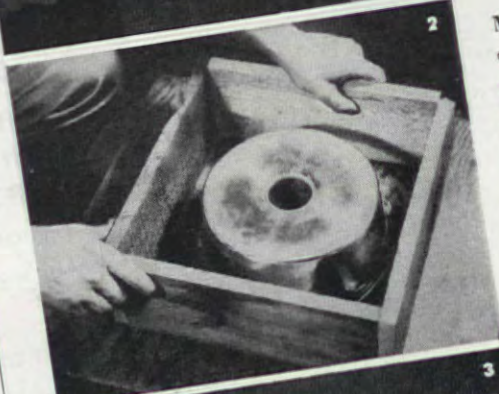
ALICE GOWLAND

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How to make Lampbases from Cement



Cut a piece of plywood 4 inches larger on all sides than the base of your lamp-to-be. Cut hole in center to fit cone in angel cake pan. Oil outside of pan lightly, place as shown. (The base is made upside down—it's easier)



Make a wooden box form of 1-inch rough pine or use scrap lumber. Inside dimensions of box form should be 1 inch wider and 1 inch higher than pan. Also make wooden stand from scrap lumber as shown in picture #7



Drive nails into plywood to hold form securely in place. Set plywood atop platform (picture #7), built high enough so pipe "stem" of lamp will just touch floor



Cut piece of 3/8-inch plain plumbing pipe as long as standard for wires and shade is to be, plus depth of base. You also need one elbow and short piece of same pipe for wires at bottom. Put washer on long pipe

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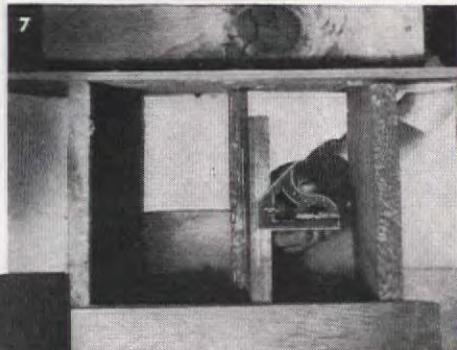
Washer should fit just inside narrow end of cone. Prevents cement from running out. Place pipe through cake pan, elbow at bottom of base. Fill cone with cement



Make cement mixture of one part cement, two parts sand, and three parts small stones. Wash stones clean before adding to cement and sand. Cover elbow and short pipe. Smooth bottom with board



Use level to be sure long pipe is set perfectly straight through cake pan. Cement is still wet so pipe can be moved into exact position. Let stand until really dry



Remove cake pan. Run wire up through bottom, elbow piece, and long pipe. Cover pipe with piece of large-diameter bamboo. Attach electric unit to wire at top of pipe. Seal inside before adding plants. Outside may be painted

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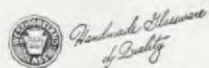
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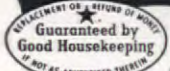


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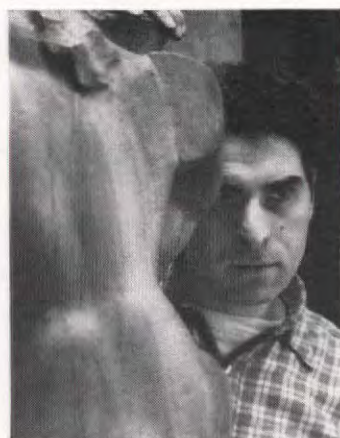
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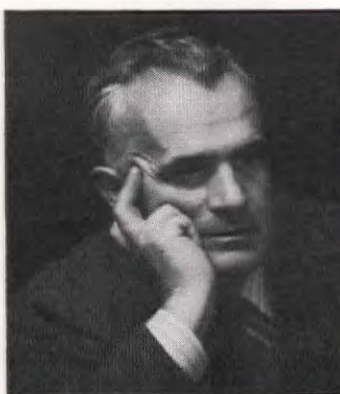
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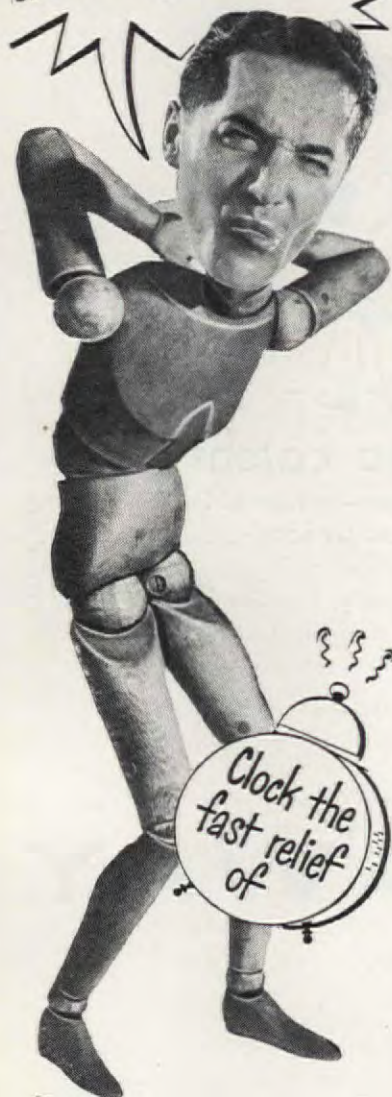
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MARY ALICE ROCHE

Indoors and out— the Rowleys keep busy

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When the radio announced, “Heavy frost tonight,” I had a feeling we would hear from the Rowleys and, sure enough, next morning, they telephoned that the house was full of chrysanthemums; did we want any?

When we got there, we found Mr. Rowley hilling up roses. “Hello, Roches,” he called. “Putting the garden to bed at last.” “So now you can both take it easy?” we asked, and he laughed. “Go on in and see Marion about that.” She was in the kitchen bottling dried herbs. Mrs. Starr, who had stopped for some roses (cut, like the ‘mums, to save them from the frost), was writing labels. “Coriander seeds,” said one. “They’re for your potpourri, aren’t they?” I asked.

“And to put on cookies,” said Mrs. Rowley. “That’s one of the nice things about herbs: they have so many uses. Thyme, for instance, is good with chicken and a must for clam chowder, and I’m sure it’s what makes my salmon pastry roll so popular.”

“And this is sage,” I cried in triumph, after sniffing several boxes. She nodded. “Another favorite. Especially because it stays in the garden all winter, along with lavender and the broad-leaved, frosty lambs-ears that

give lively silvery touches to my Christmas greens. One year, I made little wreaths of herbs alone, with tiny bunches of dried lavender for accent, to hang on guest-room doors. My guests took them home to put in their linen closets, too!”

“Wasn’t sage one of the herbs in Charlemagne’s garden?” said Mrs. Starr, looking up from her work.

“Goodness!” cried Mrs. Rowley. “Don’t get me started on medieval herb gardens. That is one of my hobbies. Yes, herbs played a big part in that romantic age, and were credited with many virtues. Indeed, a popular saying was, ‘Why should a man die whilst Sage grows in his Garden?’ Dill was supposed to cure the hiccups; caraway, to restore falling hair, besides being used for comfits; and rue was thought to ward off disease, insects, and witches, and to cure forgetfulness—besides being used in salads. . . . But I told you *not* to get me started on herbs,” she laughed, “because I have a dried arrangement that I must do today. Want to go up to the attic with me while I get the makings?”

Mrs. Starr had to go home, but having been up in that attic before, we gladly followed up the stairs, then up the ladder into the big, exciting space under the roof. It smelled of summer, happiness, and childhood. Perhaps it was the great bunches of grasses hanging all about, but, for a moment, I was a little girl again, playing in the sweet-smelling hay-loft of my grandfather’s barn. Does anything, I wonder, conjure up happy visions the way a familiar fragrance does?

Mrs. Rowley told us how, on their wedding anniversary in June, she and Everett took a day off—from their homework—and drove



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The Rowleys

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around the countryside, stopping at farms to buy bunches of different kinds of grains—wheat, rye, barley, etc.—to dry while they were still green. "Soft green," she explained, "is a color so often lacking in dried flower arrangements. Yet it needn't be if you start collecting the proper things early in the season. These are especially good right now—" indicating boxes of lovely green flat fern.

"Now, how did you do that?" we asked in astonishment.

"Just put them on newspapers under the carpets," she answered, "walked on them all summer, and there they were by fall, all nicely pressed. But today, I have to use all yellow material, for a friend saw an arrangement I did last year and asked for one just like it." And, as she spoke, she added to her basket stalks of yarrow from the perennial border, and goldenrod and milkweed pods.

Downstairs again, we watched her set up a plain background panel that would show up the lines of the arrangement, and start filling a soft yellow vase with the dried material. As we watched the arrangement take shape, I thought of Mr. Rowley's amusement at our suggestion that now they could take it easy. I told Mrs. Rowley and she laughed, too.

"No, garden activities don't stop just because the flowers stop blooming," she agreed. "This is the time when we begin to use all the things we have grown and harvested. Herb products and flower arrangements are only two of them. There are lots more, especially with Christmas coming. That reminds me, I have always wanted to try making little angels out of the bleached pods of my unicorn-plant—you know, what the catalogues call Proboscidea. But in the meantime, that is, tomorrow, I must get busy on my herb jellies."

That was something I particularly wanted to know about, and I listened attentively as she told me what to do.

"Just make your apple jelly as usual," she said, making it seem as easy as easy. "Crabapples are best, of course, but I have run out of them by now. Then, toward the end, drop a bouquet of fresh rosemary or rose geranium leaves from the plants you potted up to grow in the kitchen. Cook for the last few minutes, then remove the herbs before pouring the jelly into the glasses."

We thought again how nice it is to be a friend of the Rowleys. And as we said good-bye, gathering up our chrysanthemums, the potted plants they gave us, and a little bundle of herbs I had snatched from the kitchen rafters, we decided that there was little chance of our ever finding the Rowleys really taking it easy. They would always be working hard—and having a wonderful time doing it.



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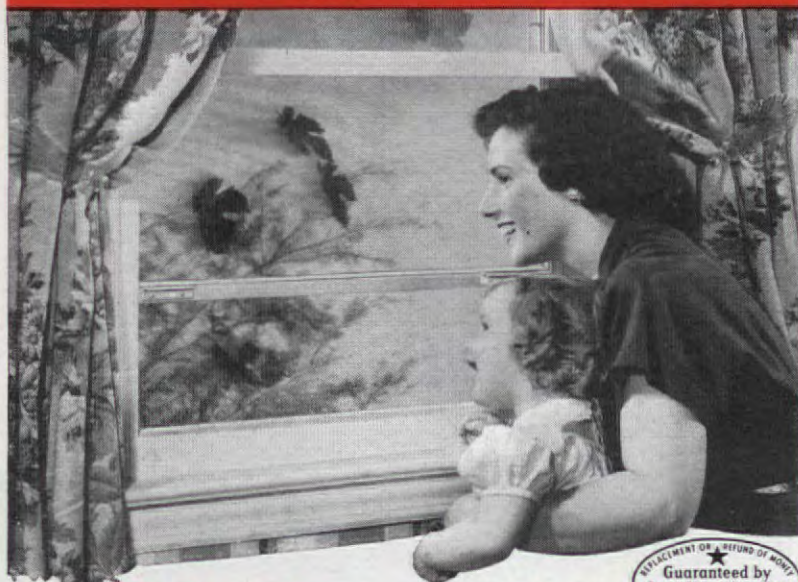


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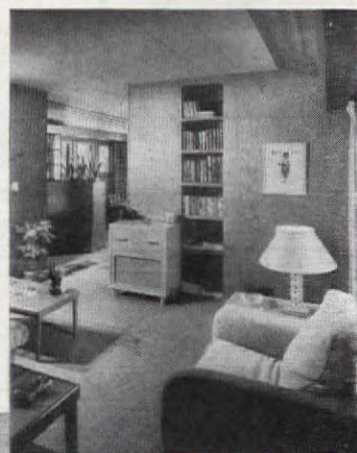


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From the bedroom hall
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concealed entrance and
partial partition, topped
by plants, which gives
privacy to dining area



In living room, natural wood and leaf-green wall are set off
by colorful patterned-chintz couch, gray Broadfelt carpet. Open
counter between kitchen and dining area has red linoleum top

modern web chair, his clever wife the
yellow seat and back.

In the dining area there is simple
natural wood furniture with pink,
chartreuse, and wine cotton uphol-
stery and repeated for draperies.
Again the booted red-cedar siding is
laid up between wall and ceiling to
create interesting detail. The partition
which shuts off front door, topped by
plants, serves as storage shelves for
dishes and silver on the dining side.

But modern-minded Steinmanns'
pièce de résistance is the handy and
handsome open counter between kitchen and dining area where family
meals are served and which is perfect for informal buffet suppers. Gay red
linoleum tops this counter which is a continuation of kitchen drainboard
and work surfaces, and the floor is of same tone. With a light blue ceiling
in the kitchen and yellow siding above the light trough, it is a joy to look
into this efficient little kitchen. A Bendix sets right next the kitchen stove
to eliminate service area.

At the end of the living room is a modest little hall, with a very con-
venient door to the back garden (later to be used to connect the new wing to
present dwelling), from which open two bedrooms and the bath. The
nursery, in yellow and white, is beautifully planned for the activities of a
lively little boy. There are low cases with doors in which he can arrange his
little cars and trucks, open shelves for books and stuffed animals, and
ample floor space for play.



in Wisconsin (Begins on page 64)

Certainly the young Steinmanns have everything in a first house that they need for pleasant, informal family living. Despite the limitations of size, their first home has given them plenty of good living and offers excellent expansion possibilities for the future.

The Donald Begers Disprove a Pet Theory



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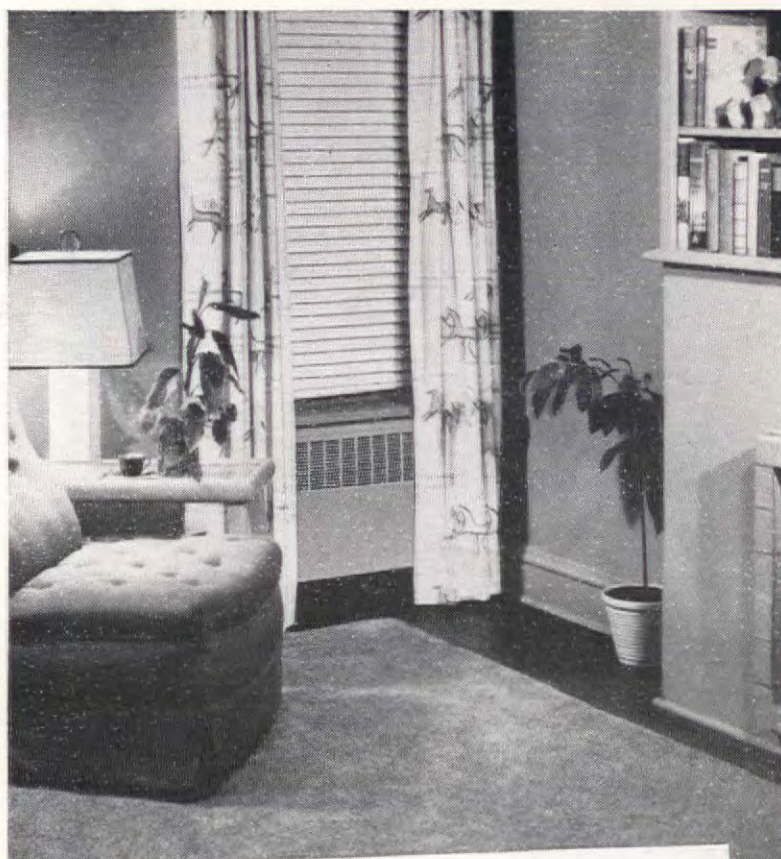
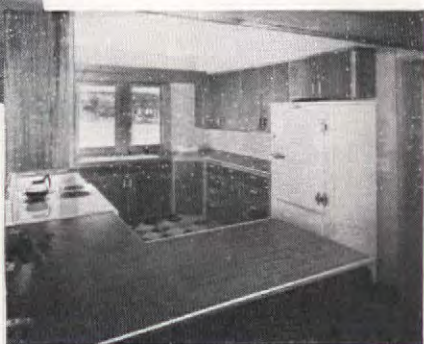
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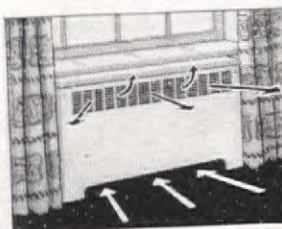
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Wisconsin Houses (Begins on page 64)

in perforated copper tubes between the two panes of glass. Because the wall of glass opens to the south, the Beger house gains heat in the winter months from the sun, but because of the different position, during the summer, of the sun in the sky, the overhang shields glass area from excessive heat. All this adds up to careful planning for the conditions of the Middle-Western climate. The red-cedar siding was also handled with weather in mind; to avoid constant painting, the wood was left natural and simply given three coats of preservative to seal it against wind, rain, sun, and snow.

The wide overhanging roof on the front gives good weather protection to garage doors and front entrance as well as a covered passage from car to house. The soffit of the overhang is of corrugated aluminum with a screened ventilating strip giving excellent circulation to roof area for summer cooling. On the rear terrace, the overhang shelters the living-dining-room glass area and gives shade for outdoor living.

From the entrance door, one steps into a small hall area with adjacent coat closet on the right and kitchen on the left. On the east wall of the living room a low built-in mahogany case with oak top provides open shelves for magazines and closed storage cupboards. Beyond this is the living area with furniture grouped around a spacious natural fieldstone fireplace and the wall of glass to the garden. The jog in the living room at the entry provides good circulation to kitchen or bedroom wing without crossing main living or dining area—good planning for so compact a house. This arrangement, also, gives privacy to the dining corner and its adjoining quick-meal counter which is the only separation between kitchen and dining space.

Over the window-wall is an indirect lighting trough of mahogany which gives a soft, diffused light to the sea-green plaster ceiling and walls of the living room. Floors throughout the house are of white oak; doors are birch and casework is of mahogany with oak tops except in the kitchen where green linoleum tops the counters.

The fieldstone fireplace is equipped with four metal grilles in order that the heat of the wood fire may be circulated to the room. Simple open shelves for books and a recessed spot for the radio with a closed case for wood storage make the end of the living room effective.

Since Spring Green, the Beger's village, is also the home town of the famous Frank Lloyd Wright, long a pioneer in the field of modern architecture, it is interesting to note that he came to see this little house because he was pleased to find that the young architect, John Steinmann, was demonstrating that good modern design is not restricted to any one part of the country or any particular climate.

Heating (Begins on page 58)

also more attractive. Convectors for hot water and steam are still lighter in weight and quicker to supply heat when the thermostat calls for it. Convectors, enclosed in cabinets, are out of sight where they don't conflict with furnishings and decorative schemes. Cool air enters at floor level, is heated, and passes up and out through a grille near the top.

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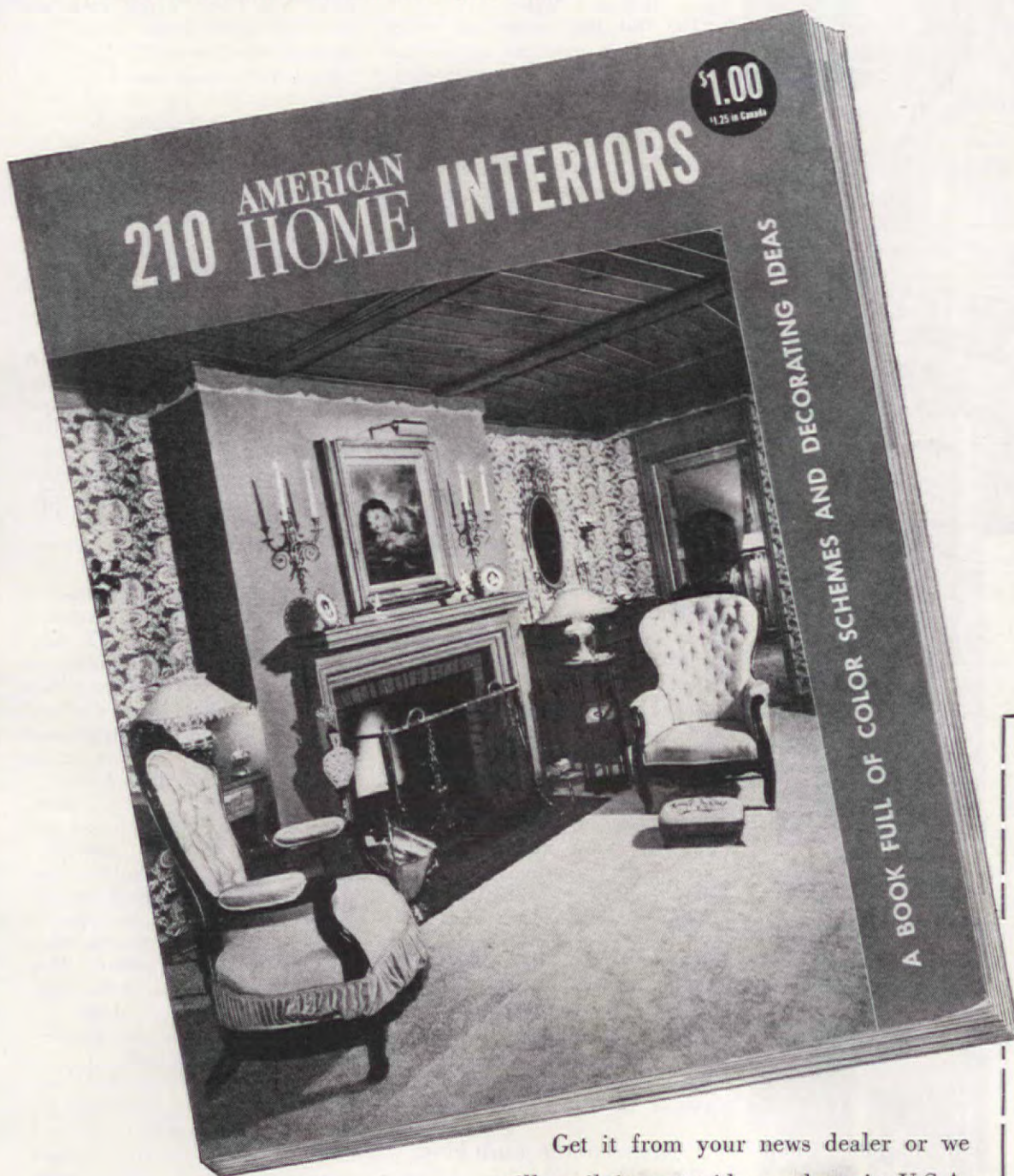
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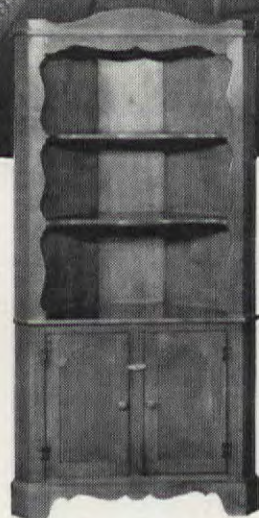
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What to Buy (Begins on page 72)

PROVINCIAL GROUPING

Butcher linen cloth, top quality, in one or two-toned effects, satin stitched finish, contrasting shades. Priced by size \$13.50 up. Dorothy Servis.

Reed basket (blue, at left, chartreuse, far right) has variety of uses. Excellent for fruit, bread, or hot food cooked in Pyrex glass liners. Also in red, toast, green, and natural-color reed. \$1.00. Ed Langbein.

Gingham tea napkins in 1/4" blue and white checks. Also green and white, red and white pin checks, 1/4" or 1" checks. 8 for \$1.95. Village Studio.

Chartreuse "Canterbury" goblet, contrasting thin and thick sections give brilliance. Also in crystal. 89¢ each. Duncan & Miller.

"The Old Mill" plate has typical rural scene in snow time. A copper luster edge-band on Anniversary-shape blends in beautifully with this Currier & Ives pattern. 20-piece starter set \$6.95. Edwin M. Knowles.

Juice jug, authentic handmade milk glass, reproduction of "Old Quilt" or "Checkerboard" pattern, in generous pint size \$2.50. Tumblers 70¢; goblets \$1.40. Westmoreland Glass.

Place mats and napkins, all linen, of Belgian flax. Fast-color dyed linen yarn in delft blue (as shown), and ten other bright colors. Excellent weave, will retain shape in laundering. 12" x 18" place mats \$1.00 each, 15" napkins 69¢. Leacock.

"Blue Fruit" pattern plate, center foreground, is part of inexpensive dinnerware set. Universal.

"Carnival" printed cloth of washable muslin sheeting. Fast colors, 52" x 70" size at \$1.49. Pacific Mills.

"Provincial Blue" plate, coffee pot, cup and saucer are part of dinnerware set. Based on Early American folk art, shapes are similar to those created in pottery, tin, pewter, and wood. Hand-decorated under glaze. Fits perfectly with current trend toward casual. 16-piece starter set \$12.95. Metlox Mfg. Co.

Royal-blue cloth (as shown), pure Irish linen available in light blue, aqua, gold, rose, mist-green, hunter-green, gray, chartreuse, wine and brown, in various sizes. 52" x 70" with 6 napkins, under \$15.00; 63" x 88" with 8 napkins, under \$20.00. Napkins sold separately 59¢.

"Hobnail" blue opalescent goblet, a combination of milk glass and crystal, combines opacity and transparency in one piece. Comes also in French and Cranberry opalescent. 59¢ each. Fenton Art Glass.

TRADITIONAL GROUPING

"Cel-o-sheen" background cloth is a luxurious rayon damask, exquisite pattern with satiny sheen. Laundered easily. Obtainable in all pastel shades and various sizes. 65" x 85" cloth with 8 napkins \$19.95.

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"Twilight" plate, fig tree motif of pink and gray, warm gray border. Place setting, \$15.50. Flintridge China.

"Chantilly" plate of fine translucent china. Decoration brought forth by natural colors of spray. Place setting \$15.20. Haviland France.

Three "Old Chintz" plates with matching teapot come in deeper color than "New Chintz" (pale coloring). Fine translucent china. \$14.50 for place setting. Leneige China.

"Etiquette" crystal goblet is hand-blown, long-stemmed, with thin, round bowl. \$1.59 each. Imperial Glass.

"Tear-drop" goblet, clear crystal, with simplicity of design. Hand-blown. Pattern available in other stemware and accessory items. Stemware \$1.10 each. Duncan & Miller.

Small "Malmaison" plate, fine translucent china, with golden leaves on creamy rim banded by rich 24-k gold. Place setting \$33.75. Lenox, Inc.

"Romance" plate and covered dish with floral pattern are fine, translucent china. Decoration of Baroque influence. Also in cool green. Place setting \$8.00. Syracuse China.

Eccu place mat, 12" x 18", handmade Madeira, all linen, \$1.49. Napkins, 13" x 13", 98¢ each. Bucilla.

"Buckingham" plate. Classic pattern, translucent china, has delicate gray-blue scroll design with 22-k coin-gold trim on shoulder edge. Open stock. 5 pc. place setting \$5.95. Royal Jackson.

"Elsinore" cup and saucer, plate and coffee pot at far right. Pure porcelain with over-all pattern in two shades of blue with leafy design intermingled with the scroll design. Place setting \$17.50. Gladding, McBean & Co.

"Wedding Band" goblet. Hand-blown. Bell-shaped bowl has 22-k gold band edge. \$1.60 each. Cambridge.

"Moonlight Caprice" goblet (center), hand-blown, designed for brilliancy in circling ripples. Also in clear crystal. \$1.00. Cambridge Glass.

"Rainbow Luster" goblet. Thin, hand-blown in optic design with rainbow colors. 65¢. Wm. A. Meier.

"Queensware" plate has hand-embossed Celadon glaze border. 20-piece starter set \$55.00. Josiah Wedgwood.

Brown napkin, pure linen with Jacquard weave, 59¢ each. Cloths with matching napkins in sets or bought separately—chartreuse, hunter-green, lemon, and brown. 52" x 70" cloth, \$4.95; 60" x 80" cloth, \$7.95. Bucilla. **Pink napkin**, "Candlelight" damask, in seven pastel colors. Spun rayon and cotton, a 64" x 90" cloth with 8

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18-inch napkins \$12.95. Simtex Mills. "York Rose" plate (shown on napkins) has gold lines on well and along inner edge of beading. Flower motif on ivory-toned, fine china. Place setting \$15.75. Castleton China.

MODERN GROUPING

"Merry-go-Round" tiger-rust background cloth of spun rayon and cotton comes in solid colors—red-pennant (dubonnet), brown-horse, green-dragon, lucky-ring (gold), carnival-red, serpent (chartreuse), peacock, candy-pink, mint-green and gray-pony. 62" x 90"—\$6.95. 17" x 17" napkins 49¢. Frank & Sadev.

Butcher linen "Snowflake" design, 13" x 18" place mats, 15½" x 13" lapkin, 8-piece set \$10.00. Colors—green, red, navy-blue, aqua, mustard, and brown, all on natural. Wellesley. Green "Viridian" cup and saucer, and dinner plate (in center) with "Marine Fantasia" decoration of Sculptured Stoneware. Ovenproof and chip-resistant. Decorated plates can be intermixed with plain. 16-pc. starter set \$11.00. Also in blue and yellow stone. Glidden.

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Small "Manzanita" plate, porcelain. Silvery background complements muted green design. Place setting \$9.75. Winfield of Pasadena.

"Fantasy" dinner plate and platter with rooster design, new Bonita shape. 16-pc. starter set \$16.95. Stetson.

Ice-lip pitcher and six 8-ounce mugs (not shown) \$7.00 for set. "Alfresco" snack plate set, in five decorator colors \$1.75. Brusché Ceramics.

"Thistle" pattern, egg cup, plate, and bowl. Pottery, hand-carved, decorated under glaze to prevent fading of colors and wear. Coupe shape and simple classic lines. Open stock. Egg cup \$1.50; 8" round bowl \$2.25; single place setting \$14.95. Stangl.

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Coffee pot "Prairie Chicken" with green, gray, rust, and yellow stripes. Functional and utilitarian, striking new design of "Conversation" dinnerware. 20-pc. set \$11.95. Taylor, Smith and Taylor.

Sugar bowl "Mauna Gold" from Aloha dinnerware. Four other Hawaiian names and colors. 20-pc. starter set \$3.98. French Saxon China.

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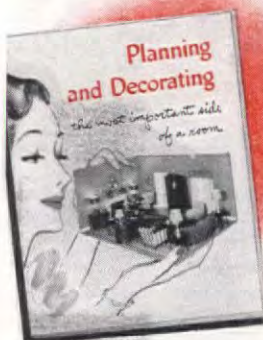
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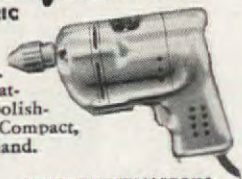
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Solona-ware casseroles in five decorator colors designed to match contemporary styling. 11 oz., \$1.10; 19 oz., \$1.55; 3 pts., \$2.45. Bergstrom & French.

Seal-brown salt and pepper shaker and divided vegetable dish at right of them are part of "Malibu Modern" dinnerware service. 20-pc. starter set \$8.95. Hollydale Pottery.

"Casual" china casserole is translucent, vitrified china, non-porous, non-absorbent. Comes in complete dinnerware service in avocado-yellow, parsley-green, sugar-white, oyster-gray, nutmeg-brown, and ice-blue. Chip-proof and ovenproof, it is a Russell Wright design. Used for table, for baking and refrigerator. 16-pc. starter set is \$9.95. Iroquois China.

"Chutney Black" plate, a new color in modern dinnerware combines well with other bright colors. Rich, black-olive brown, with minute flecking in glaze. 16-pc. starter set \$7.95. Russell Wright.

"Fern" Belgian linen place mat and napkin comes in brown on tan, navy on light blue, and dark green on light green. Hand screened. Whipped fringed edges. 8-pc. set \$12.50. Wellesley.

"Brown-Summer" and "Revelry" plates (front right center) one delicately carved on brushed-brown background, soft greenish-blue accent, place setting \$11.50; other is gay but simple, place setting \$9.75. Both have porcelain body. Winfield of Pasadena.

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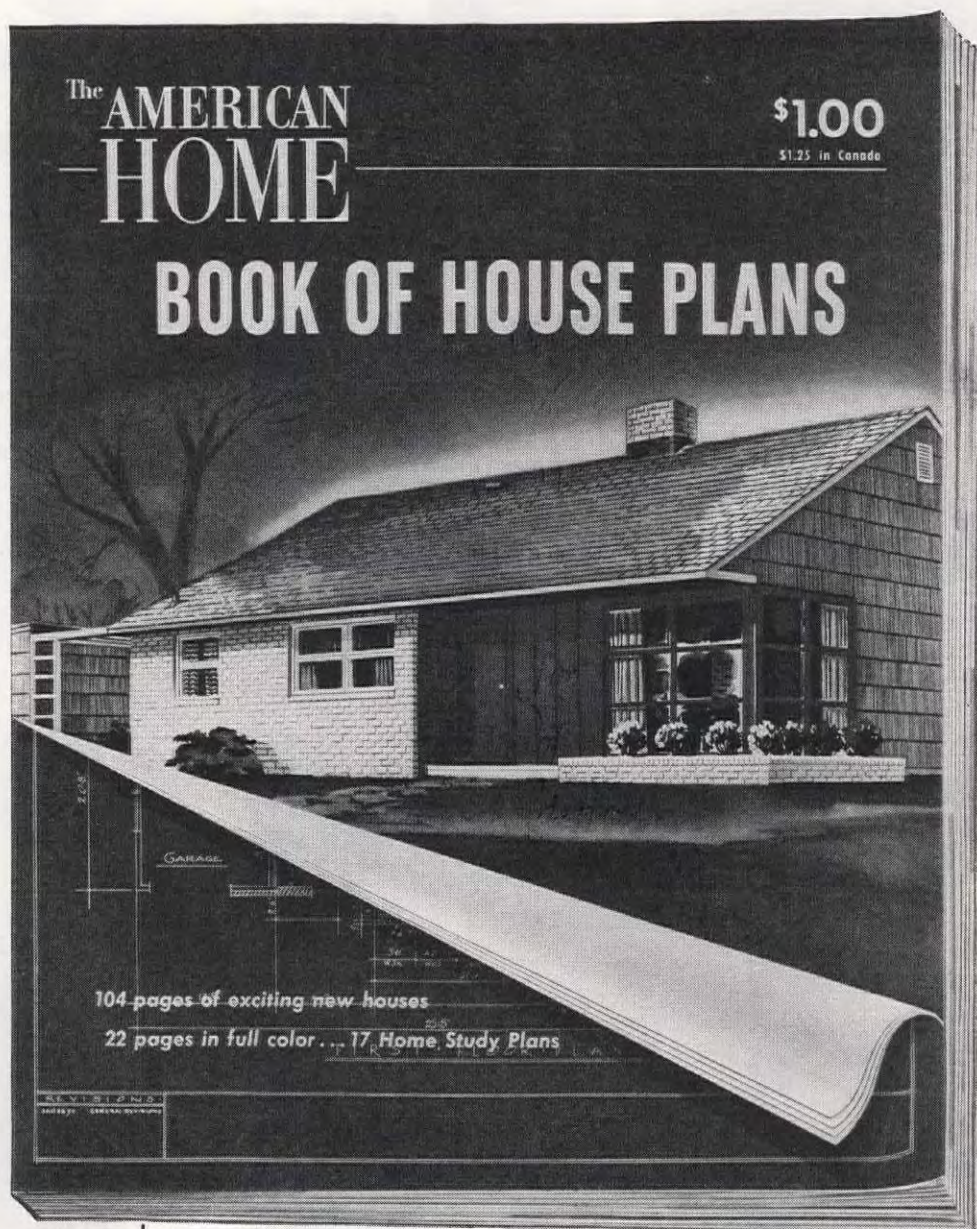
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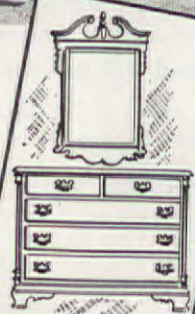
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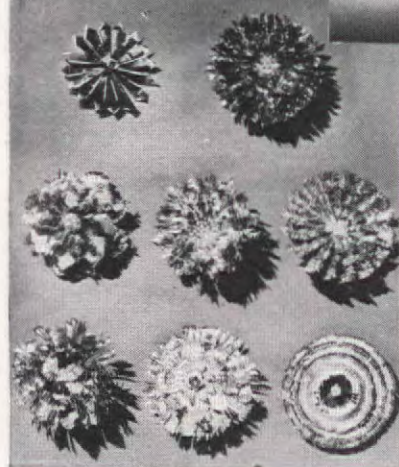
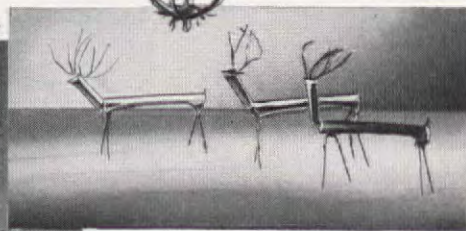
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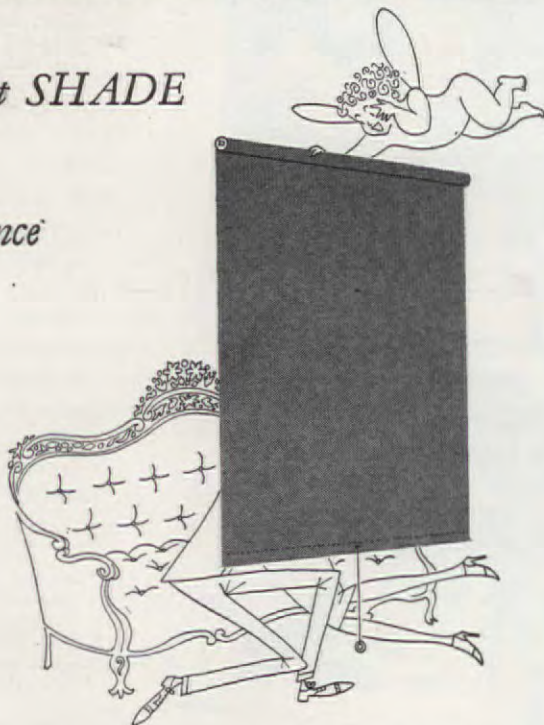
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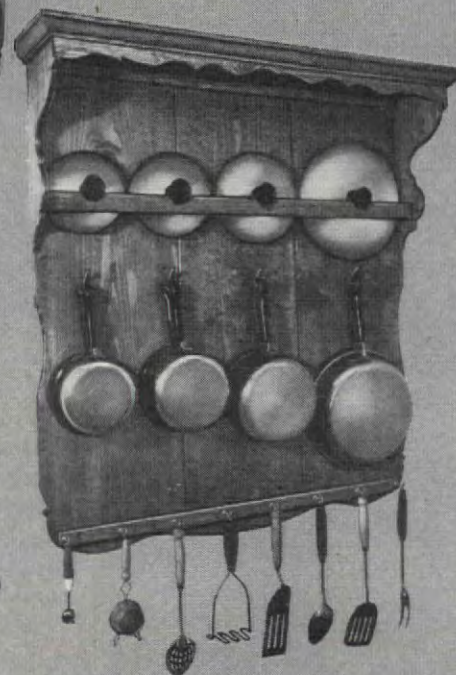
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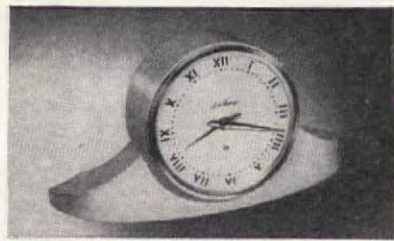
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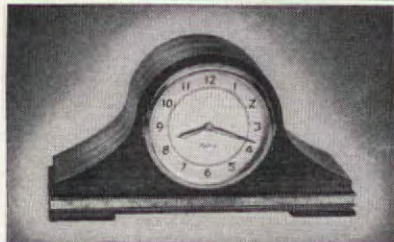
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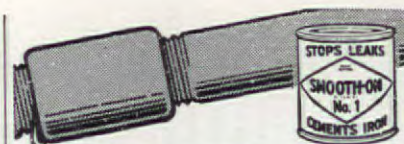
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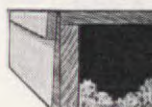


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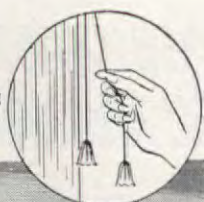
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