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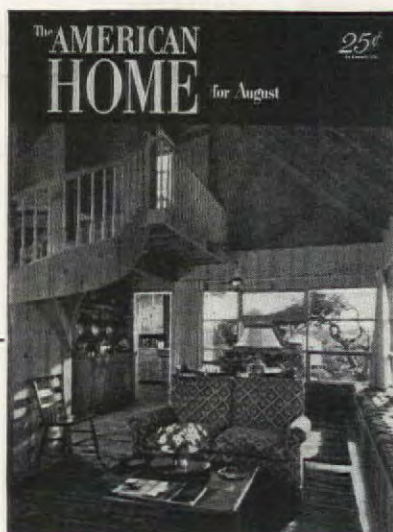
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## Contributors

**. . . EMMIE LOU SWEDENBERG**, despite the cares of a household and three children (14, 7, and  $\frac{3}{4}$  years), is president of the Greenville (S.C.) Council of (25) Garden Clubs, will soon have her National Accredited Flower Show Judge certificate, and, in the course of her home garden and flower arrangement activities, has perfected a method of preserving fresh flowers (see page 74).



**. . . BRIAN BARLOW and BOB ANDERSON**, who helped "Make the Right Change" on page 48, are a young Los Angeles team of designers who feel that decorating should reflect the client's individuality. Brian, a former Canadian, interprets Bob's ideas and oversees their Bar and Diamond iron furniture enterprise. Bob, who studied in Europe and Mexico, is also a successful painter.



**. . . TOM DOUGLAS**, who did a masterly job of decorating with color in the room shown on page 32, managed to switch one successful career into another with ease: at the age of 17 he was a popular English stage star; now, he is known internationally for his work as an interior designer. He gets a kick out of working with budget houses, too—finds they tease his powers of invention.



**. . . DOROTHEA SANTAMARIE GRAUCH** makes her second appearance in *AMERICAN HOME* with "Our Children," page 22. Her interest in preventing juvenile delinquency is the result of 19 years' guidance work with the Philadelphia Public School System. Since her husband's health took them to California in 1945, she has been on the staff of the Institute of Family Relations in Los Angeles.



**. . . MRS. ALVIN R. BROWN** loves to sail on her husband's ship, the S.S. Santa Venetia, where this snapshot was taken with the youngest of her four children. She lives in Freeport, L.I., in a house packed with such excellent Americana as the glass on page 36. When she attends country auctions she knows what she's doing: she used to be an auctioneer herself.



**. . . RAYMOND KENT HARVEY, A.I.A.**, designer-architect who cleverly transformed the beach house on page 34, is a native of Pasadena, Calif., and attended the University of Southern California. After working with other designers, he opened his own firm, first on Balboa Island, and later in Corona del Mar, his present location. He loves to work in the modern manner, but "can do traditional if arm is twisted"—and very well, too.



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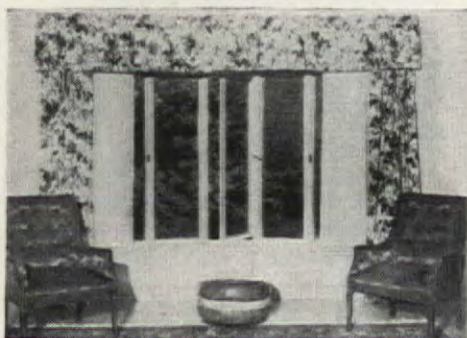
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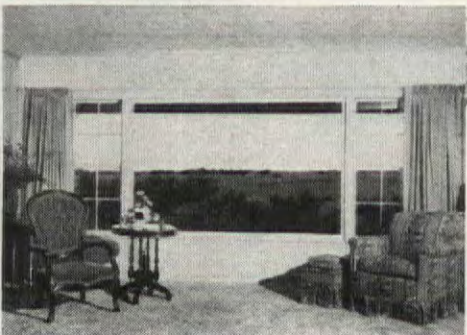


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# Off the Press

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**The Family Scrapbook** by Dr. Ernest G. Osborne. (Association Press) Price \$3.95. . . A new approach to a parents' handbook, this one stresses shared problem-solving and shared fun. Informally written, it is an album of experiences showing how to be a modern old-fashioned family, and pointing out that parents and children can enjoy each other *all* the time. Includes common child-raising problems, the enjoyable sharing of household duties, and many wonderful suggestions for inexpensive family recreation.

**When You Are in the Woods** by Fay Welch, noted authority on camping and other outdoor recreation and practical conservation practices. Generously illustrated with clever sketches, it tells how to enjoy and help protect the woods, plan and carry through a vacation, care for a campsite, keep clean, well, and safe, avoid getting lost, enjoy good hunting and fishing, and also what "woods courtesy" means. If you're heading for the "tall timber," better write for a copy—to Dept. of Forest Extension, State University College of Forestry, Syracuse, N.Y. They will send *individual copies* free on request.

**United States Coins** by Wilfrid Dellquest. (M. Barrows & Co., Inc.) Price \$2.00. . . One of the Collectors' Little-Book Library, this guide to coin values is a concise manual for

the coin collector, and holds a store of fascinating facts for the uninitiated. It includes a complete premium list of values, official U.S. Mint list of numbers coined, coin terms, and a list of rarest coins. Profusely illustrated.

**Stars** by Herbert S. Zim and Robert H. Baker. (Simon & Schuster) Price \$1.00. . . Thanks to modern science, journalism, radio, and television, we seem closer to and more familiar with the heavenly bodies than ever before. Yet the average person actually knows but little about them. That needn't be, for this inexpensive, 158-page pocket-size book (A Golden Nature Guide), with its clear, readable text and 150 beautifully reproduced full-color paintings by James G. Irving, is an introduction to astronomy and a manual for the enjoyment of a grand hobby—the study of sun, moon, planets, and other heavenly bodies.

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**Button Gardens and Diminutive Arrangements** by Florence Wayne Casebolt. (Button Garden Studio, Berkeley, Calif.) Price \$3.00. . . Succeeding the author's two popular pamphlets, this handsome, practical, 66-page book reflects the importance and value of this splendid hobby for young and old; the well, the ill, and shut-ins. The many helpful drawings and photographs show why the author regards every button garden as a creative composition.

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**W**e moved into our new house in a sea of mud three weeks ago. It will take time to get a lawn established, but it is so good to have our own home again. Perhaps it will make the town seem more friendly. It has been a lonely winter, for we don't know a soul here and Ted is so busy with the new work he hardly has time for the baby and me. . . . The letter rattled on more cheerfully about the decorating she had done, the plans for an outdoor room, but in the phrases "it has been lonely" and the hopeful ". . . make the town seem friendly" Katy summed up the mixed emotions of the newly transplanted.

We seem to have lost the camaraderie of pioneer necessity which put a roof over your head with a community house-raising, and a cover on your bed with a quilting bee. Practically everywhere these days the custom of making a formal call upon a new neighbor has died out—yet nothing has taken its place. The loneliness the newcomer experiences as a result of neighborhood indifference is one of those universal problems which is so common that we forget to try to do anything about it until we become a victim of it ourselves. You do hear now and then of some thoughtful person trying to help the newcomer by entertaining in his honor—but too seldom!

One of the people most likely to realize what a call means to a newcomer is the hostess of the local "Welcome Wagon." More than one woman has been heard to admit, "Even though the Welcome Wagon is a sales-promotion technique, I could have kissed the caller and her sponsors. The feeling that our moving here mattered to somebody besides us was worth so much."

We bought an older house in an established suburban area where developments were just beginning. Outside there were blackberry thickets and high grass to be thinned down so we could discover our boundaries and our neighbors. On one side we uncovered what appeared to be a pleasant young couple with a small baby, and though we exchanged an occasional friendly and tentative smile, it was nearly a year before we got acquainted. We each thought the other the "old-timer." As it turned out, we'd both moved about the same time, and both women moped through a lonely winter. A few years later, the subdividers moved in across the street, cleared "our" woods, and erected a row of new homes. The first buyers moved in, and we soon noticed that their car bore an out-of-state license. After allowing suitable time for settling, I got up my courage and went calling. I've never seen an expression of greater astonishment than that of our new neighbor's when she found I had nothing to sell but friendliness.

Perhaps the old-fashioned formal call should have a revival. In recent years of wholesale relocations and readjustments, most of us can easily recall more than one case where the wife has

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## Transplanted Person?

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been so unhappy separated from old ties in a strange environment that she's needed her husband into sacrificing a promising career to return to the old "home." Others call off the marital venture entirely when this conflict between job location and compatible environment couldn't be resolved. The urge to belong usually makes the newcomer look around first for some group to join. The most obvious group is, of course, the church or some fraternal organization. What is most needed is some means of putting out a few roots.

Maybe "misery loved company" and maybe it's just a logical outgrowth of such organizations as Service Wives in which womenfolk found united strength in times of stress. One thing is clear: the organizations of newcomers springing up in key cities as well as in smaller communities, grow out of the need for contacts, new friends, new roots.

"New Portlanders" of Portland, Ore., is probably typical. It finds new arrivals among the frequent personnel transfers to branch headquarters of national industrial firms and to regional offices of government agencies. The group began four years ago with a few lonely transplanted wives who decided to form a monthly luncheon club. The idea caught on. Now their affairs require careful planning and oversize facilities, especially for evening events to which husbands are invited. Members are recruited by telephone, and prospects are called for three successive meetings. Most of them join. Membership in the group usually lasts for two years, after which time most members are absorbed into other special-interest groups, and new arrivals take their places. The interest excited by the group was demonstrated when the organization was represented on a popular local woman's program: KGW's Hostess House Party. The station's switchboards were jammed with requests for more information.

Somewhat different in its emphasis is the "Newcomers Club" at Corvallis, Oregon. With a membership limited to the new arrivals on the faculty and staff of Oregon State College, this group is seven years old, and currently numbers about 200. Husbands and wives are eligible, and most events are scheduled in the evening. Besides the monthly meeting, there are smaller groups ranging from a bridge club to a political science discussion group. There is also a two-year limitation on membership here, but activities are so integrated with those of the College Folk Club that the newcomer is assimilated into the life of the community.

Your own community may need such a group. If you are a lonely newcomer, this may be your opportunity to launch yourself and help others. Most social-page editors will co-operate, but lacking full-scale publicity you'll get results even from a brief statement requesting others like yourself to meet.

To many of us, however, the organization method of making new contacts offers little hope. Legions of us are harnessed to pre-school-age children. There is plenty to keep us occupied—but there are still the hard moments when pangs of loneliness catch up with us. The lonely newcomer who feels left out of neighborhood doings needs a little help, deserves a little thoughtfulness. The ideal time for the "established" neighbors to break the ice is on moving day when a well-timed pot of coffee and some cookies not only boosts the morale but also nips the blues before they start. Perhaps something intervenes and this opportunity slips past. It's still not too late: if there are young children happily driving your new neighbor mad, here's the chance to make yourself her friend by offering to look after the children for an hour or two. Though she may refuse, she will still appreciate your thoughtfulness. It's weeks later and you are still strangers? There's still an opening. Why not offer some of those surplus plants you haven't found a spot for?

If you are a newcomer who still hasn't been welcomed, why not break the ice? Do something thoughtful for your neighbor—or ask her to do something for you. Seek her advice about some household or community problem. Give the matter a little thought, map out your approach, and you'll turn up dozens of ways to make the opening move. The odd thing is that you'll probably discover that your neighbor was just trying to find a graceful way of becoming friendly with you. You can't always tell by the glimpse you catch of your neighbor whether or not you have a common interest. The fact that you both chose the same environment is as good a mutual bond as any.

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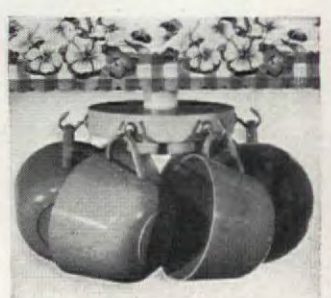
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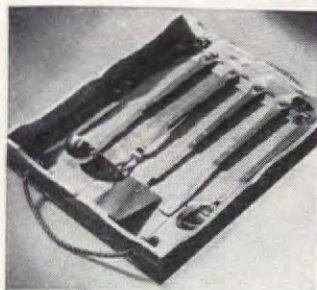
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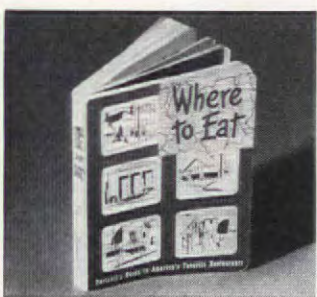
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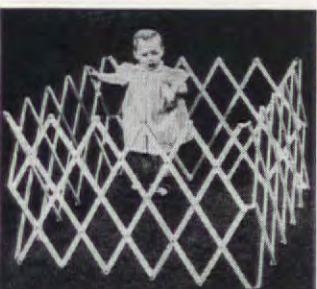
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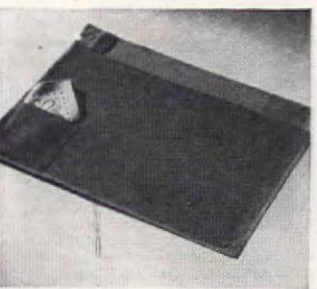
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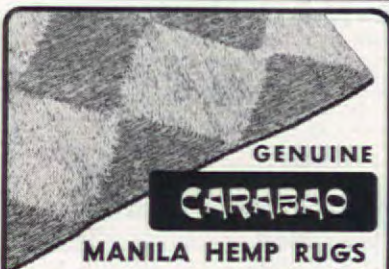


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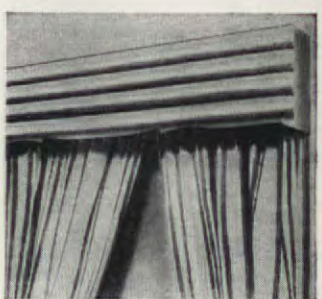
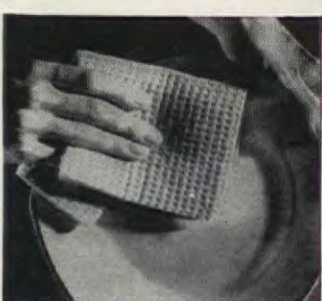
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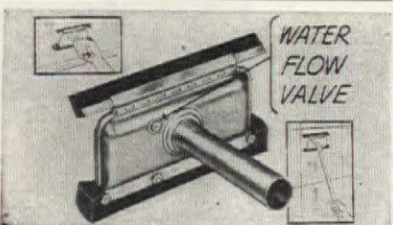
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Originator of the project is Mr. Don Vynne, Director of Aquatics. When he first came to San Diego from Chicago, he was surprised at the youngsters' lack of interest in sailing. So, in the spring of 1949, he organized a small sailing club, equipped with a few boats made from scrap and odds and ends.

The "yachts" are sabots, one-sail affairs containing 38 sq. ft.

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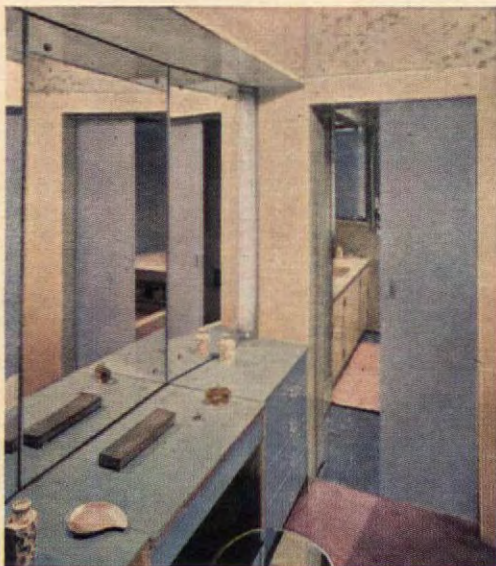
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## Yacht Club (Begins on page 22)

and large enough for two passengers. They are about 8½ ft. long, have 4½-ft. beams and 11-ft. masts. Sails cost \$20, and the boats cost about \$65 to build on a production basis, with members helping to sand and polish. If built privately, the sabots would cost about \$250. The job of keeping them shipshape falls to the members, too, for the sabots must be repainted or revarnished every two or three months. This summer, the Club's fleet will comprise 16 sabots, two canoes, and various other craft, and plans are under way for three larger boats for advanced sailing instruction.

The Boat Club is under the guidance of the San Diego Recreation Dept. but it elects its own Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Fleet Captain, and has its own building and club rooms. The sailing program is in effect five days a week from June through August, and during the school year functions on week ends, weather permitting.

Members must be between the ages of 12 and 17, and membership averages about 150, 65 per cent boys and 35 per cent girls. Initiation fee is 50¢; dues are 5¢ a week. Twice during the summer the treasury finances a beach party, and some of the funds go for new equipment.

All members must pass a swimming test, mandatory because only one out of every ten candidates for membership in the Club has ever been in a sailboat before. After demonstrating their ability to swim 100 yards in a bathing suit, 50 yards fully dressed, and to retrieve an object from the bottom of a swimming pool, members enter a training course supervised by Mr. A. D. Morton, director of the Club's activities. Lectures on the manipulation of the sail in relation to the wind are followed by a trip in one of the sabots. The student then tries his hand at sailing under supervision, and finally graduates to the solo class where he takes a turn around the cove alone. From the introductory lessons, the neophyte sailor progresses to more complicated nautical lore—how to navigate a triangular course, how to handle a jibsail, and, most exciting of all to the teen-agers, how to race.

The members are divided into three sections, according to age, and during the season races are scheduled for which points are awarded. Several perpetual trophies, which may be kept by the winner for one year, are awarded for "the best boy sailor," "the best girl sailor," and winners of races in various age groups.

The city of San Diego has received many inquiries about its unusual sailing club for teen-agers which other communities could well imitate. The fortunate youngsters of the Windward Boat Club will recommend it at the drop of a sailor hat!



Ground instruction always comes before actual experience in the boats. Here, the sailing master shows a group of teen-agers how to tie some nautical knots, a sailing essential

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With such a theme song of “welcome,” a good room deserves a solid board—for example, this sawbuck table you can build with our Blueprint Construction Pattern 1256. In this room, we used antique chairs, but good reproductions are not hard to find.

See “Where Credit Is Due” on page 90

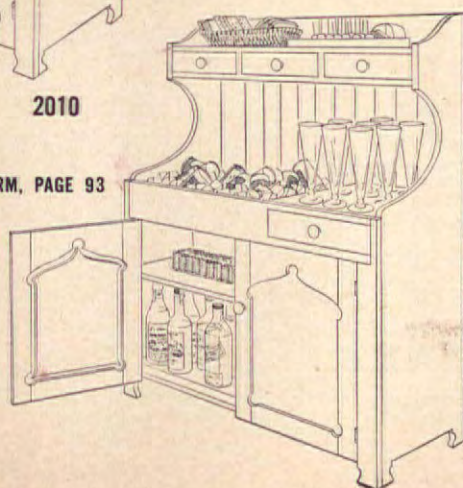


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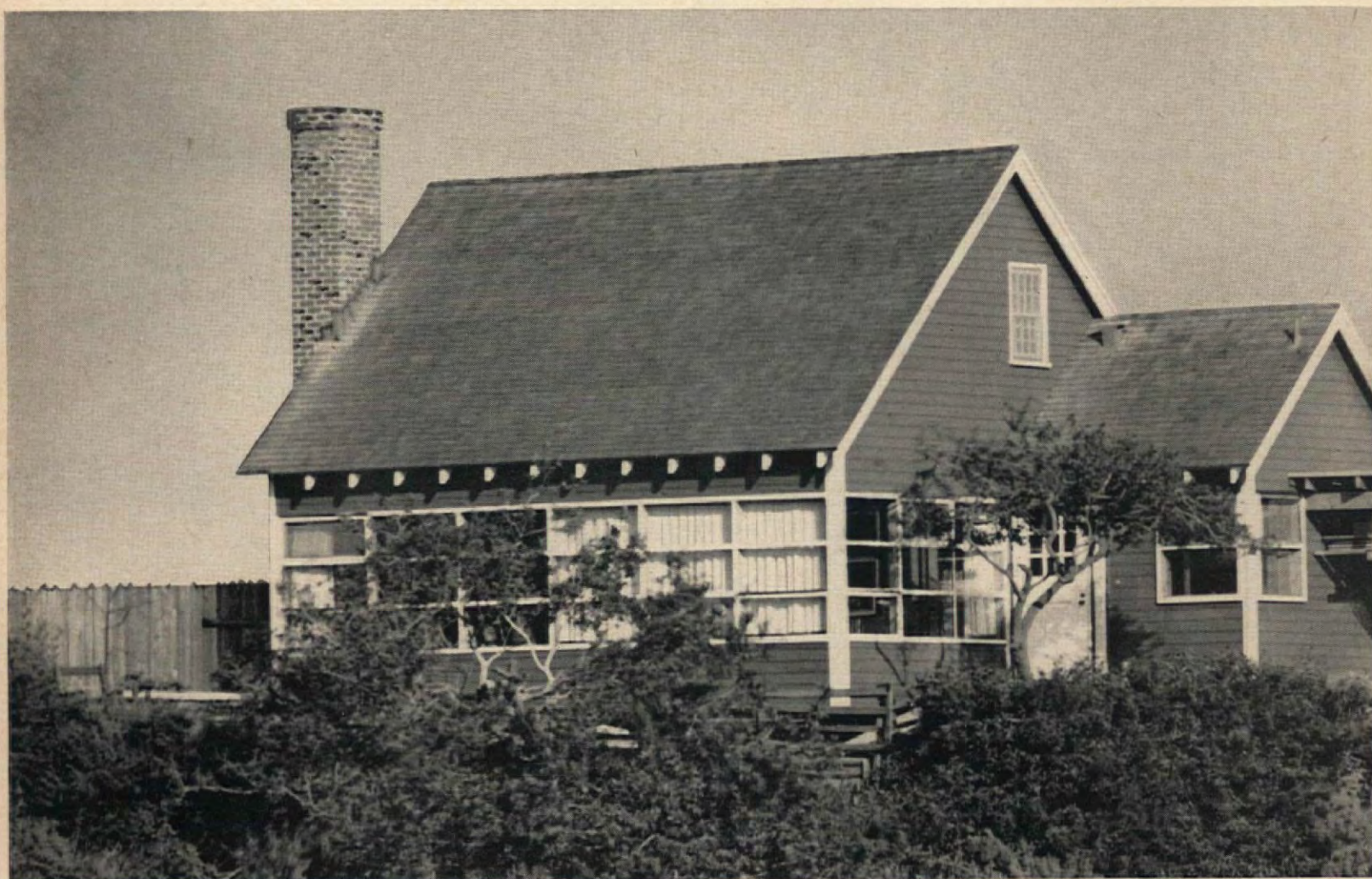


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# \$6,000 Cover House—



The house is still abuilding, but the unfinished carport at the right doesn't prevent the Blakes from enjoying their view of their canyon through those wonderful rear windows, or from the small terrace which nestles so comfortably on this side of the house

This little place appealed to us so much that we gave it top billing by showing its living room on our cover. And then, after its plans had a good going over, we tagged it as an AMERICAN HOME Blueprint House, for we were convinced that you might well want one just like it (see Blueprint Order Form, page 89). It's an awful lot of good house for its size, as we'll tell you in detail later on. But right now, you've got to hear how it got built by its owner for \$6,000 in eight months of spare time, because this is the darndest house story you ever heard.

Here is this fellow, Sumner Blake, fresh out of college with a degree in journalism, a wife Nancy, a small daughter Cynthia, a job—and a yen for a house. So he goes out and buys as odd a sized lot as you are likely to run across—117' x 26' x 56'. Such unconventional lots can be attractive (this one perched on top of a canyon with a wonderful view), and they are apt to come cheap. But a house usually has to be especially designed for them—so Sumner sits down to design that special house, and designs six before one fills the bill! If he had been trained in house design or drafting, he probably could have

done it faster—but it couldn't have been much better.

Anyway, now that he has a set of plans, he goes to work and builds the house himself—and he does *not* quit his job! Nancy pitches in, and keeps on pitching, and they start at the bottom digging the trenches for the foundation by hand. They work at their building week ends, during a vacation, and every day after Sumner leaves his office—some days until midnight. They do get some expert help—but the bulk of the labor is their own.

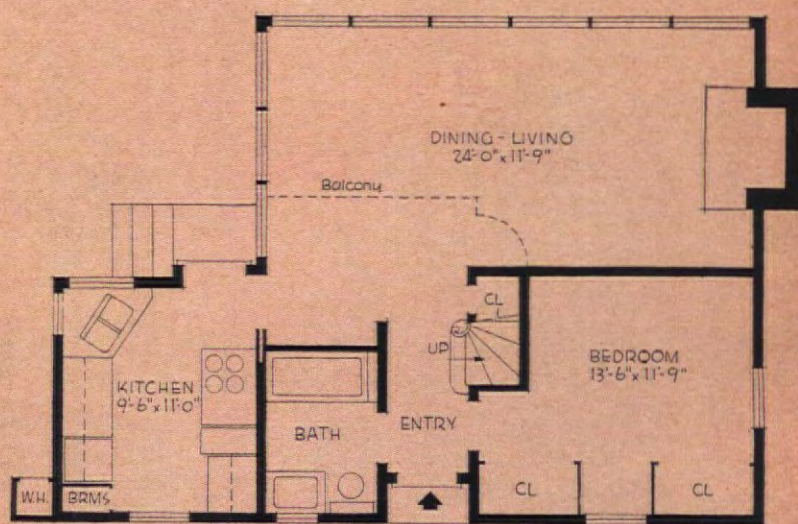
Eight months and a lot of sweat later, the Blakes moved into their house. Of course, it was far from finished at this point—you just don't build a complete house in any eight months in your spare time—so home life in the Blake place was pretty primitive in those days. Because the floor wasn't in, wind blew up through cracks in the sub-floor, and almost blew over the Christmas tree—and every time Nancy wanted to cook a meal on the borrowed electric hot plate, all the lights had to be turned off since the wiring wasn't finished. They lived for a time without interior partitions and without a lot of other conveniences including a chimney.

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# You Can Get Blueprints!



OWNERS: MR. AND MRS. SUMNER BLAKE



Plan explains how a gay little house, doll-size from the street side, can include the high, wide, and handsome living room on our cover. On the top floor are two more bedrooms



*See Order form on Page 89*



The Blakes built two good pine wardrobes in their bedroom—oversized, with compartments for everything, and a dressing-table between

## \$6,000 Cover House (Begins on page 28)

The Blakes don't maintain that the year or so it took to build their house and make it habitable was any cinch—but they are here to tell you that the project was worth everything that they put into it. The house is a two-story job of redwood siding, painted barn red. There are approximately 1,000 square feet of interior space, about 760 of them on the main floor. On the street side, it's pretty much salt box, and it looks tiny and attractive as all get out with its miniature garden crammed full of flowers and that carport hidden by lattice work. But it's a real glass house on the rear where it stretches out and takes in the view which inspired the Blakes to buy this lot.

When you enter it, you just can't see how it can harbor that big paneled living room two stories high and 24 feet long! The room is so decorative in itself that it's no trick to furnish: the south and the west walls are all window, and the other two walls sport a spectacular curved staircase and an impressive fireplace of natural brick. There's a window seat 24 feet long, so that few chairs are required. In fact, you could not only throw large parties—you could conduct a whole town meeting here if you liked! And of course

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With its saucy paper and its fine pine casework, the kitchen is just as decorative as the living room, and Nancy saw to it that the sink was so placed that she'd have a good view through the two corner windows. Notice in the picture below how the clothes washer is embraced by the main cupboard units. Door leads out to terrace

On the cover you see one view of the living room, and we show another below. In a room so long, it was easy to create a permanent dining area hard by the kitchen: a sofa divides the room in half, and a Welsh dresser hugs a wall to serve the big table which is handy for games as for dining, and is placed for an outlook where none can look in



# How to Achieve

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# Drama—

# *With No Color*



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Poles apart are the two decorating concepts illustrated here, yet they have one quality in common—drama. Color is the instrument that works this particular kind of magic: in one instance flamboyant, exotic, but managed so deftly that the total effect is one of serenity; on the other hand a palette of “no colors”—whites and neutrals, controlled with kid gloves.

Both have style, beauty, dignity. Both are, in a sense, extremes to illustrate a point. And, make no mistake about it, both are difficult decorating, best entrusted to a thoroughly experienced decorator.

The room at left had certain physical problems, common to many rooms, and they had to be solved before ever a color scheme was set. Since we're concerned with color, we'll touch them lightly: too many windows and doors, too little wall space, the need for seating space for twelve people. Yet they definitely influenced a part of the color scheme, in this way: to unify the broken-up wall areas, the best possible thing you can do is to match your draperies to your wall to achieve an unbroken stretch of the same color (or pattern) clear around the room. If you need a good many chairs, realize that some of them must be “floaters,” and must look as handsome from the back as they do from the front. Also, with so many chairs, it's a good idea to relate several of them to the background—cover them

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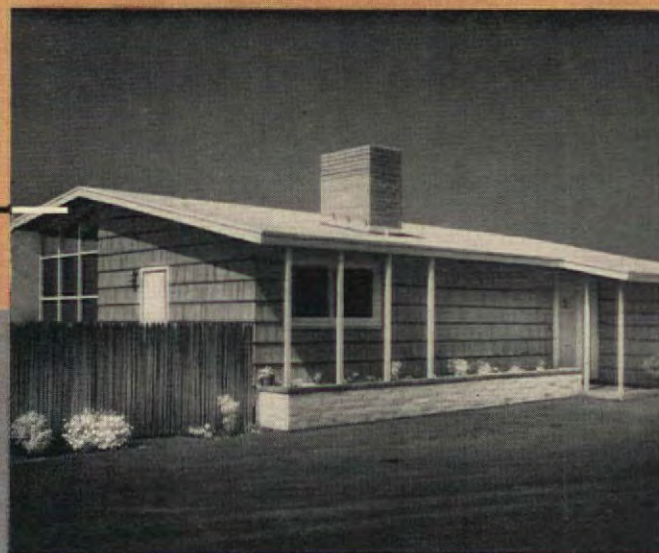
Quite a different picture, and equally difficult, is the business of “no color decorating.” The style has gained in popularity in the last few years, particularly in the field of modern decorating, but it is still for the few who understand it well. One of the country's leading color authorities has said, “You must live a long time with color to appreciate the absence of it!”

It is a way of decorating that has great subtlety; and there are no set rules for the amateur to follow. The eye and the hand must have a feeling for materials. Its whole theory is in opposition to the school of contrasting color. It depends, rather, on exquisite shadings of tints, textures, and forms. Its contrast is the contrast of pale polished wood against bamboo blinds, of rough linen against marble, of beige against gray against taupe.

The drama in the room above is in its restraint—and in the deliberately overscaled lamps which give it character. Four whites underlie it—the pure white of the curtains, the flat white ceiling, off-white paint on the walls, natural wool carpet underfoot. Gradations continue—beige on the two sofas, white lampshades, a drawing matted in gray and framed in blond. The only flick of color is in the cushions. Such no-color decorating can be *exorbitantly* expensive—or very inexpensive. Cost of the furnishings in this room: around \$500.

ON THE EAST COAST...

*The Cape Codder below  
was copied from a California house  
we published in July '49 like this—*



**F**rom dowdy to dandy in less than a year—that's the story on this little house. The location here happens to be Balboa Island, California; but take a look at that before picture—couldn't it be just any old beach house you ever saw, East, West or South?

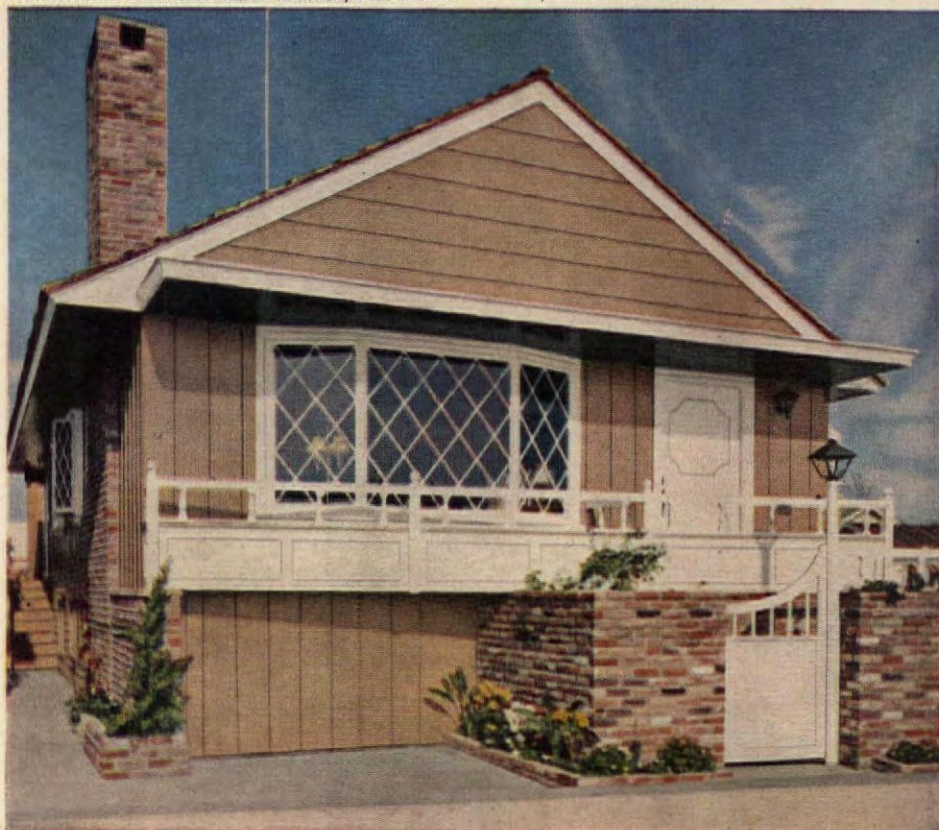
Some old-timers about the island have set the date of the house at about 1916. Legend has it that the house was brought to its present location via barge when the island was little more than a mud flat.

Remodeling was begun and finished in 1951 by the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Roland F. Valleley. The designer-architect on the job was Raymond Kent Harvey.

In Harvey's own words the exterior change was more of a face-lifting than a construction job. The front porch was taken into the living room to increase that area and to straighten out the front of the house. Since the house sits high to catch the view—the basement is mostly above ground—architect Harvey felt it needed "pulling down." The roof was cut back a bit and horizontal siding was added over the old board and battens, immediately improving the appearance. Just at the bottom of the gable a horizontal four-foot overhang was constructed. This further emphasized the horizontal line so much desired.

Another long line was established by the long planter box which runs the width of the house. To make the basement doors less prominent, this planter box overhangs them somewhat. Smart vertical siding further camouflaged them. The steps now go down at the side into a tiny courtyard walled with old brick. A new chimney and fireplace, handsome front door, bright color completed the job. Fresh as paint, we call it!

ARCHITECT: RAYMOND KENT HARVEY, A.I.A. Data from Mary Frances Ellsworth



**I**t was love at first sight, and it was quite a romance! The John H. Smiths of North Providence, Rhode Island, fell like a ton of bricks when they spotted the Adrian Wilson's beach house which we published in our July, 1949, issue. A snug low house the Wilsons had built on the sands at Balboa, surfaced with tan shingles and topped with a white gravel roof—the kind of modern they do so well in that part of the country. Right away the Smiths decided this was *the* house they'd been looking for to build on their property at Bonnet Shores on the edge of Narragansett Bay.

But as so often happens when you set out to copy a house—things get changed! It's interesting to see how the Smiths adapted the design of the house as well as the plan. In spite of themselves (or because of themselves?) their little house turned out to be as New England as can be—a regular Cape Codder! The California Wilsons had their garage on the right, part of the house; the Rhode Island Smiths used this space instead for bedrooms and built a separate two-car garage off to the left. At the back of the house the California Wilsons had a big wall of glass, a porch, and a king-size patio. In the same location the Rhode Island Smiths have a neat little corner window, a small porch, and no patio. They also have a blue roof instead of a white one and the shingles are weathering to a nice New England shade of gray, thank you.

Inside, the living rooms, dining areas, and kitchens are almost identical. Our Rhode Island friends liked the fireplace so much they copied it brick for brick. Yankee ingenuity led them to a new school-house where there just happened to be enough brick left over to build the fireplace; the price was right, so they bought! Bedroom arrangements—each house has three—vary slightly because of the change in locating the garage. East is East, after all; did the twain really meet? The Wilsons love their house, and the Smiths love *their* house. Us? We like them both!

## 2 Little Beach Houses and How They Grew

ON THE WEST COAST...

*—This pink charmer  
on Balboa Island was  
a run-down cottage  
that started life like this —*



MARY E. MONZE



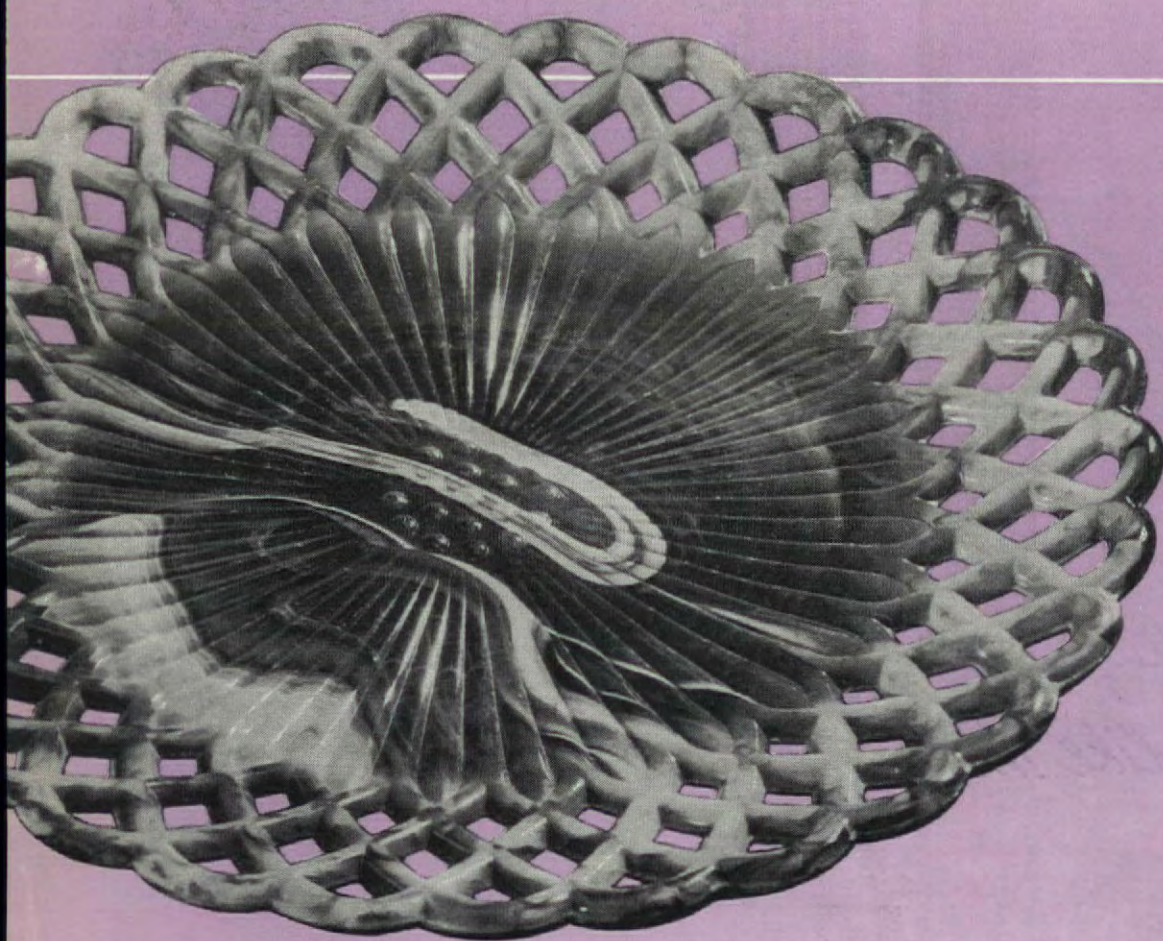
Boot, complete with spur, was a real "find" at an auction. Auctioneer looked surprised when \$1 was bid after he asked: "Anyone want a little boot?" Graceful flower holder and celery vase, beautifully fluted, are excellent examples of fusion



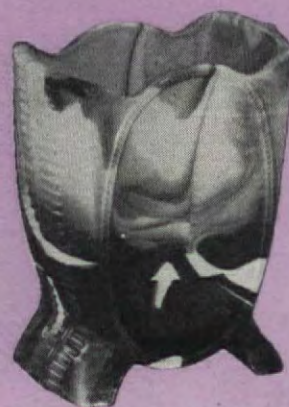
Mighty magnificent, aren't they? They are Marble glass, the most distinguished of the Victorian milk glasses—and the rarest, for it was so difficult to manufacture that glassmakers soon gave it up. The way that it looks and the way that it's handled puts it in line with a great tradition, for many of these pieces recall the vessels of semi-precious stone which artists like Cellini mounted in gold for the tables of Renaissance princes. It is known by other names, too: Mosaic, Calico, Slag, Onyx, Agate, and Connecticut glass. All that we know of its history for sure is that some of it hails from England, and that much of the American Marble glass was made between 1870 and 1880 in Tarentum, Pa., by Challinor, Taylor & Co., who listed it as Mosaic glass. Actually, it is a milk glass mixed before molding with slags of various colors which produce the marbling in purple, green, blue, or various shades from yellow to brown. Due to the markings, no two pieces are exactly alike.

The examples shown here and on page 76, all from the collection of the Alvin E. Browns, are purple Marble glass of the "open mix" type, with definite demarcation between the white and the splendid purple markings. Captain Brown, ship's skipper, joins his wife in tracking down such prizes as these—he treasures them for the handsome stuff that they are, and because they are "masculine, and not a bit frilly."

# The Glass with the Regal



Perfect as is—or set against colored linens and heaped high with fruit—are such aristocrats as this 10-inch plate, a favorite of Mrs. Brown's. See how the open work adds a delicate air to the opaque glass, and how impressively the deep markings are shaded



There's great strength in the design of this set of four (covered sugar, butter dish, open creamer, spoon holder) and grace in its rows of decorative beading. The Browns found the set in Wisconsin, use it for very special occasions

Some Marble glass was right down to earth, as witness the rare soap dish at left, above. The oblong tray or dish with handles is more characteristic. See how edge and fluting play up dramatic marking

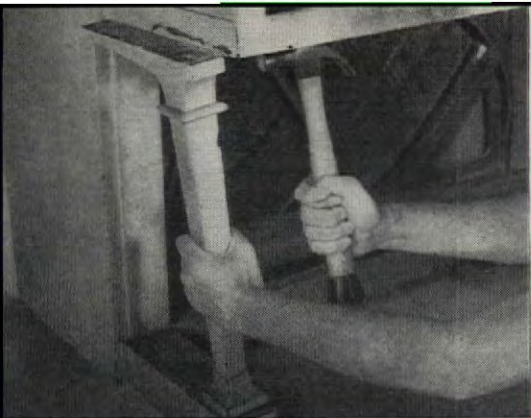
Such over-all decorations as these were sometimes given to Marble glass. Mrs. Brown bought bowl without its cover. In another antique shop, 200 miles away, she was lucky enough to discover the top among some odds and ends

# Mien

Fit for a prince, open compote recalls a Renaissance design. Two types of fluting make it seem to grow out of its base. Head which forms the stem may be a portrait of singer Jenny Lind

Striking example of glassmaker's skill in shading is this covered compote. It looks like semi-precious stone carved by an artist, for the fluted, blocked design and scalloped rim are perfect for playing up beauty of the glass itself

MORE MARBLE GLASS ON PAGE 76



First step in piano remodeling is to remove the top panel, the upper front panel, lower front panel, and keyboard cover. Then remove the legs by simply tapping them out with a hammer



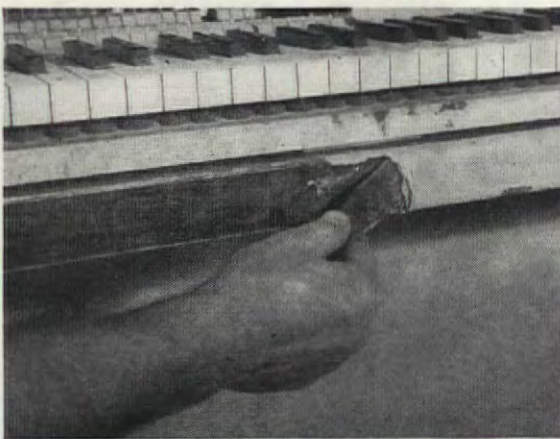
To slant the front, you cut the side panels of the piano this way. First draw a diagonal line from the center of the top of the panel to the point shown here. Then saw along this line. Be sure to protect "works" from sawdust by covering them with a cloth



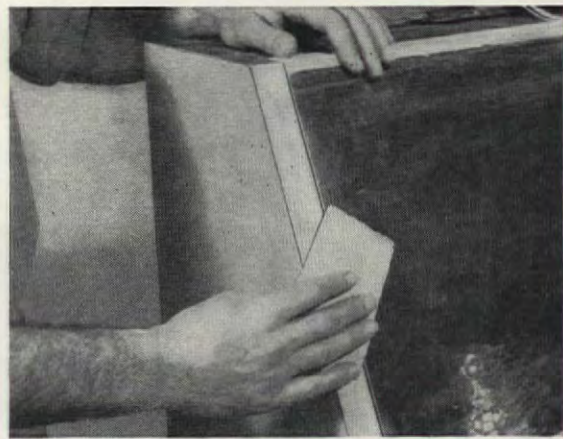
Old piano had double top—larger board atop smaller one. In refurbishing, smaller board is used as top. Larger one becomes the slanted front panel—try it in place, as shown, and cut to fit. It slides into groove left for it when you cut side panels



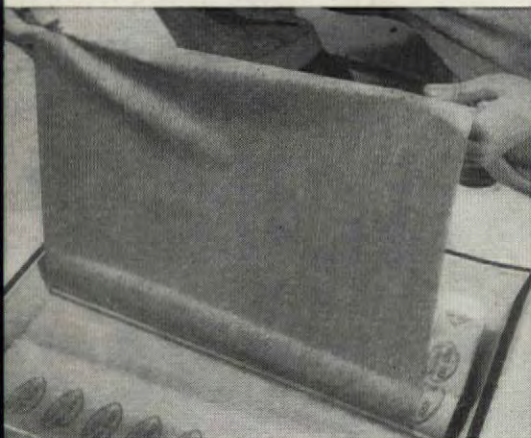
A new piece of wood is used to close the gap which is left after the keyboard cover is installed in its new position



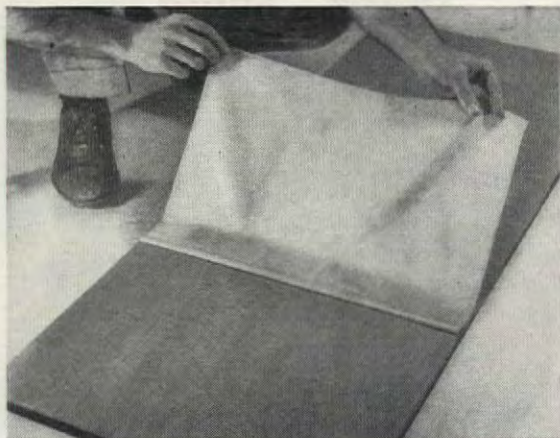
To prepare the piano's surface for its new plastic veneer, first remove any loose, checkered, or rough paint or varnish with paint remover—but be sure not to get remover on the keys or the "works"



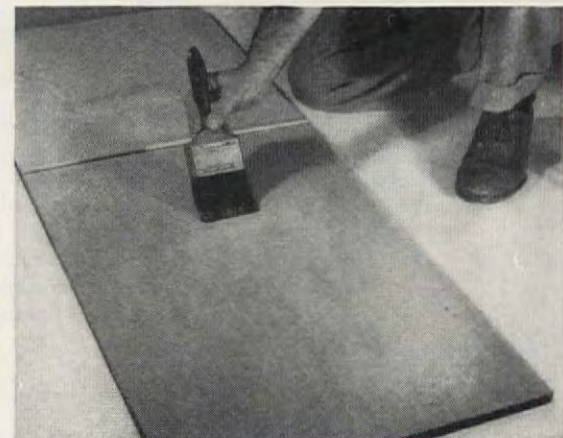
Plastic veneer should be applied to smooth surfaces. Fill in cracks, holes, or uneven spots with spackle, wood dough, or plastic wood, and when filler is dry, sand it smooth. Any new or filled surfaces should have a seal coat of shellac or paste wood filler



Soak veneer in water for several minutes to remove paper backing. Use bathtub for large pieces. If you use pan, be sure it is as wide as veneer—you can fold it over in length. After soaking, backing peels off



If you are veneering a large panel, it is best to cement it in sections. First lay the veneer carefully over the panel, then fold back half as shown. You apply the cement to the wood, smooth the veneer over the cemented surface, and repeat for the other half

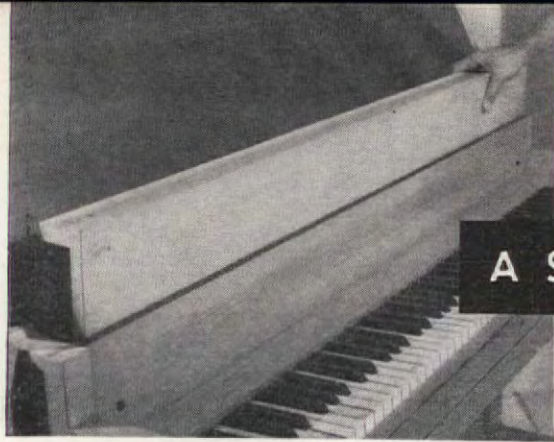


Use a special plastic cement for this purpose, and apply it with either a brush or a sponge. The cement may be used as it comes from the bottle. However, if it has thickened, you can thin the cement out simply by closing the bottle and soaking it in warm water

ROBERT M. ROSS

# How to Rejuvenate



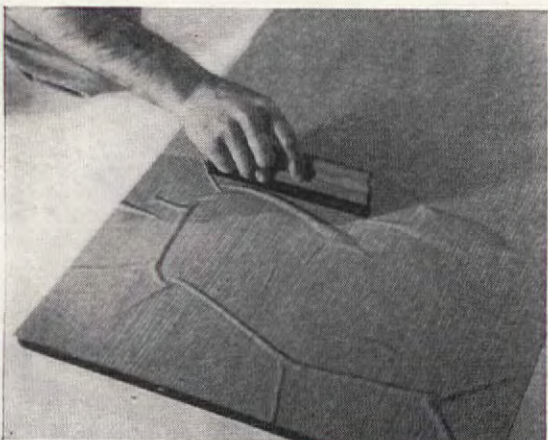


## A SUCCESS STORY

The keyboard cover is turned around, this way. The back section is reversed, and the part which used to cover the keys is removed entirely



Make paper pattern of each panel. Cut veneer before removing its paper backing. Place veneer face down on hard surface, and cut according to pattern. Use single-edge razor or sharp knife, and guide it with sharp steel edge—top side of hack-saw blade will do



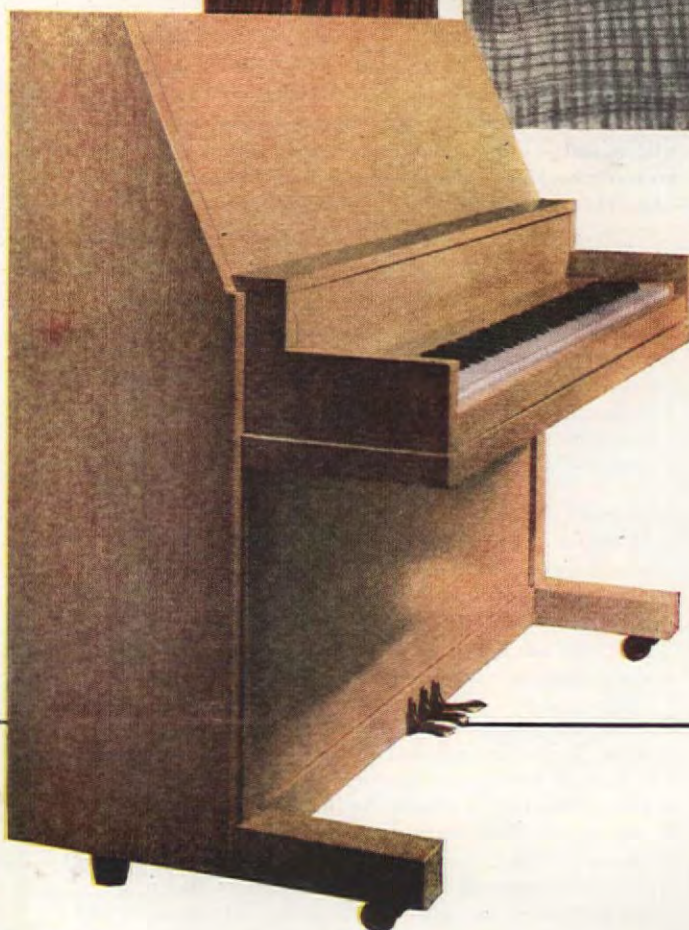
Proper smoothing takes time. Use a rubber block or squeegee to go over the surface—first lightly, then firmly. Then wipe surface with damp cloth. If any veneer hangs over, wait until cement is dry—then cut off excess with pencil wrapped in fine sandpaper

To make Ye Olde Upright sleekly modern, remove its legs and change the old square look by slanting its front upper panel.

Then treat it to a coat of plastic veneer which comes in sheet form, in 20 different wood grainings, and in marble, leather, and novelty effects as well. The piano we rejuvenated now has a limed-oak veneer



*a Piano*



# Garden



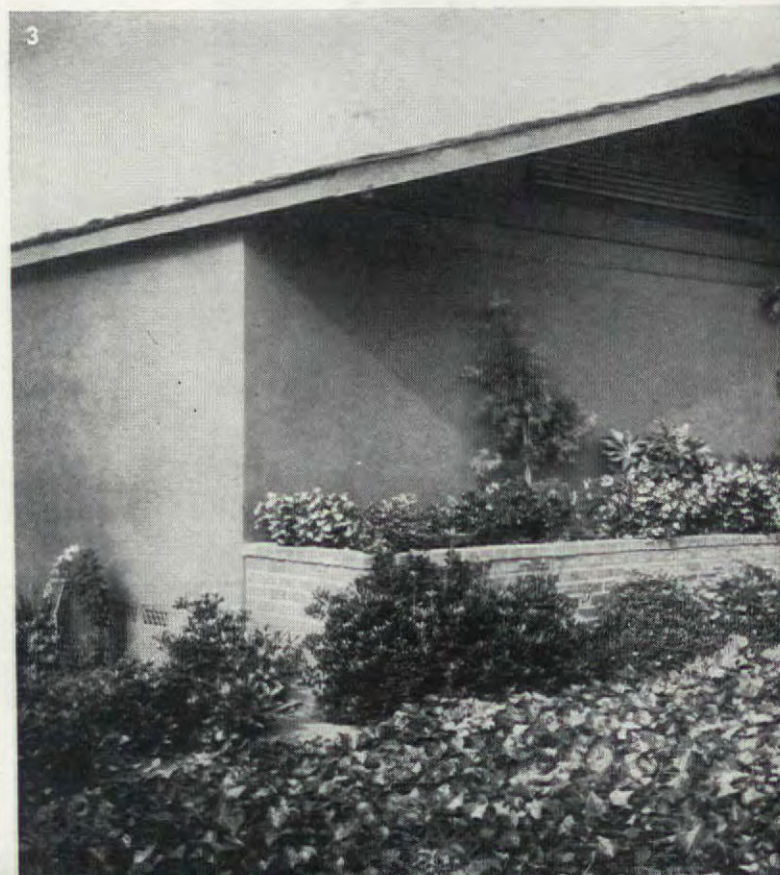
Nobody likes a backache—but how can you garden without one? Why, by raising the level of a flower bed so you don't have to jackknife in planting, weeding, picking, etc. This brings other benefits, too. It ensures early spring drainage and drying off of the soil so it can be prepared and, if necessary, replanted earlier. The retaining wall of a raised bed (which can be of brick, stone, concrete, or durable wood) keeps out hungry roots of nearby trees or shrubs which would compete with the flowers for moisture and food. Grass and weed intruders are more easily controlled. If the wall is built wide enough, its coping provides a welcome seat (and a drier one than the surrounding grass may) when you want to work at the plants—or just pause and rest. And, of course, a raised bed is easy to make. Just build the wall (if it's against a house wall, waterproofing the latter may be advisable in humid regions, and don't invite termites by letting moist soil remain in contact with wood siding or beams); fill in with good soil (after making sure that there is adequate drainage underneath)—and carry out your chosen planting scheme.

1 Red geraniums and white petunias edge the semicircular flagstone terrace that flanks the front entrance to the Herbert Allemang house in Illinois. (Steps from the walk are just outside the picture at right.) Attractive as seen by both the family within, and passers-by on the street, the planting is also a safety measure, keeping persons from stepping too near the terrace edge. This is a good solution to the sloping front lawn problem

2 This rectangular bed—carefully proportioned so that all the plants in it can be conveniently cared for from outside it—stands free and clear of any building or other structure on the lawn of the Drachman garden in Tucson, Arizona. Trees and shrubs are not usually thought of as suitable material for such beds, but in this case the height and breadth of a lusty specimen fit well into the picture and introduce a “surprise element”

3 The mixed planting (including espalier material) in this bed built against the blank end wall of the Soule house—also in Arizona—relieves what might otherwise have been a bleak and unattractive effect. The face of the enclosing brick wall is, in turn, softened by the “foundation planting” of low evergreens which stand out in foliage color and texture against the ground cover of English ivy. The roof shadow is interesting

4 Another Tucson garden, that of the Woodruffs, features a higher bed than the others that is painted to match the six-foot enclosing wall against which it is built. An interesting and clever detail is the narrow “walk,” one brick-length wide, laid along the wall flush with the sod. It not only gives dry footing, but also does away with a bothersome grass-trimming chore. Again the usefulness of the retaining wall as a seat is demonstrated



# without a Backache

LOUISE PRICE BELL





# The Hardest Decision of Our Lives!

RYERSON VERVAET

Two years ago we made the hardest decision of our lives—to move to the country. We were city people who loved the theater, concerts, and art galleries. We had friends whom we liked to see often. We enjoyed city conveniences. But our two small daughters were pale and thin—they weren't having much fun. Remembering our own good country childhoods, we wanted to give them as much. In a small town 30 miles from New York City, we found what we were looking for. The barn, when we first saw it, was sagging and decrepit—but beside it was a pond, and directly behind it were wooded hills. With excitement and hope, we bought it.

The following months were the most strenuous and fascinating of our lives. Surrounded by piles of magazines, we worked until all hours, drawing up plans for remodeling our barn. My father, who had an engineer's training, advised on structural matters and volunteered to do the mason's work. We found a patient carpenter who didn't complain about ripping out a just-finished wall when we altered our plans. My husband and I were our own day laborers—afternoons, week ends, whenever we could get away. We had no other help.

While we worked, we parked the children in a pile of building sand, and many a night Karen and Gay were put to sleep in the car while we worked on. But when it came to painting, the youngsters couldn't resist "helping"—and two kids never had a better time!

Producing the Barn (now capitalized in our minds) took

about as long as producing a child—nine and a half months. The day we moved in, we felt as triumphant as the day we had Karen! This was ours, it was beautiful, we had made it.

Now we wonder why we ever had doubts about life in the country. The children are stalwartly healthy, and their happy self-reliance would be reward enough. But our own delight in country life was an unexpected bonus. We haven't lost a thing. At first we took ribbing from our friends about our rustic life—but not after they discovered that we *did* get to the important art exhibitions, plays, and concerts. We spend at least one day every two weeks in the city, and those days are carefully planned. We read our favorite critics, get tickets in advance—and I think we see more and better plays and pictures than we used to.

We see our friends, too. It took some rearrangement of my idea of hospitality, of course, for I used to spend a week getting ready for a dinner party. Now we invite friends with their children for Sundays or week ends, and informal it is. Whenever possible, we cook outdoors and toss the paper plates into the fire at the end of the meal. We walk, we play tennis, we swim, we skate and ski in the winter—children and adults together. In return, our city friends make room for us when we plan to spend a night in New York, and Karen and Gay are invited for holidays.

At first, I must admit, I missed the convenience of ordering by telephone. My days were filled with last-minute dashings out to get eggs or bread I'd forgotten. But I soon got the hang of planning menus in advance and of keeping

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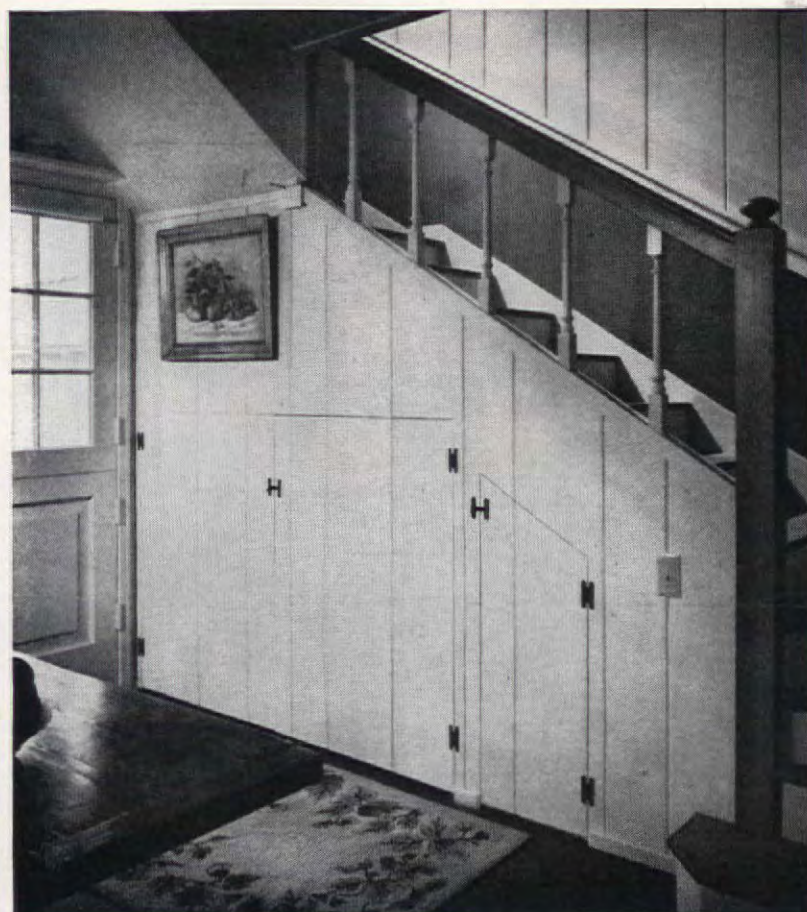
# 1<sup>Doz.</sup> Good Little Ideas



**AIR CONDITIONERS NEEDN'T DISRUPT YOUR DÉCOR:** They can coddle your comfort and be easy on the eyes as well if you take the trouble to house them in harmony with your room. For example, study the room unit above, designed by Tschudi Lockwood for the E. J. Wanlesses of Houston, Texas



**HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:** When the doors are closed, this looks like any attractive wall cabinet with open shelf for books, a rack for magazines, space above for bibelots, and a closed cupboard. But an air conditioner hides behind those smart doors, made of louvers to give air the free circulation it needs



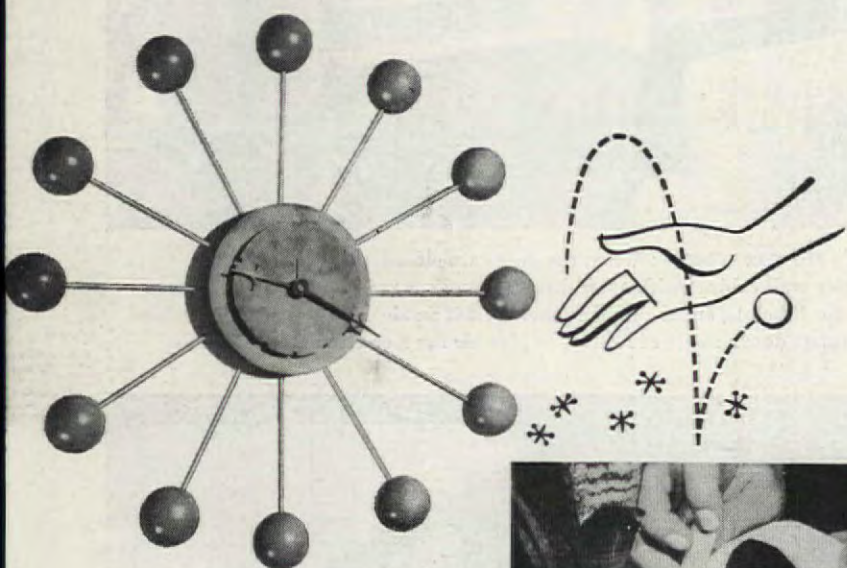
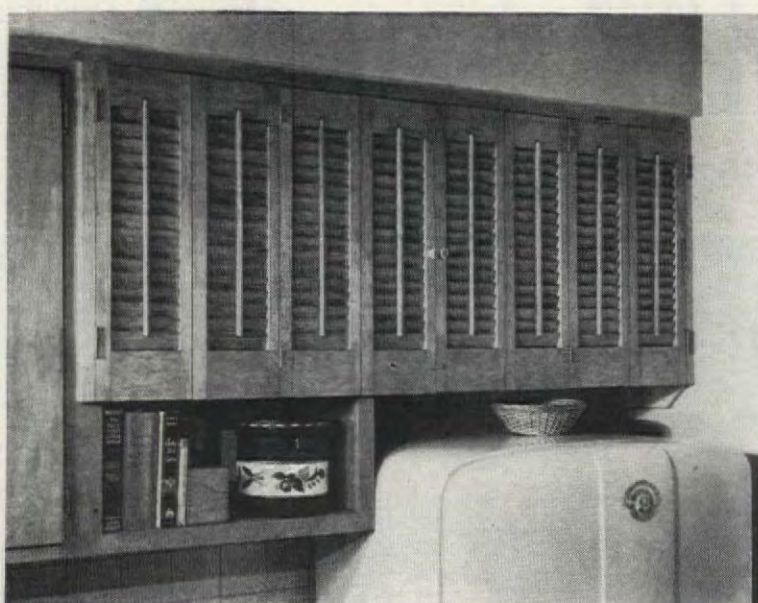
**THIS IS A MUSIC ROOM:** Most of the time, it's only the dining area of the Charles Pyke's home in California, but when they found it difficult to place their piano, they just put the space under the staircase to work, as we show in the picture at your right. Don't waste that space under your stairs!



**THERE'S ROOM FOR AN UPRIGHT UNDER MOST STAIRCASES:** When practice time comes, or the family gathers 'round for an old-fashioned singsong, the doors open up to reveal an upright piano. Sheet music is also kept under these stairs—on shelves in a small cupboard to the right of piano compartment

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**DOES YOUR KITCHEN DRAW A BLANK HERE?** In most older kitchens, no use was made of the space over the refrigerator. Now you can buy cabinets to use there, but if they don't fit your scheme, surround the refrigerator with shelves handsomely hidden with shutters, as did the Donald Hallidays of Chappaqua, N.Y.



**THIS WAS AN OLD ALARM:**  
E. Capoferri inserted old clock  
into center section of large roll  
of paper tape. Numerals are jack  
balls stuck on pointed brass rods



**VACATION CARE FOR PLANTS:**  
While you're away, a wick device  
such as this keeps soil around  
your plants moist. Such wicks  
come ready made, 6 for \$1.  
(See "Where Credit Is Due," p. 90)

**SUCCULENT KEG:** Used as outdoor  
furniture, a whitewashed keg can  
be a garden in itself: bore 2-in.  
holes in sides, fill keg with good  
soil, set succulent plants in holes

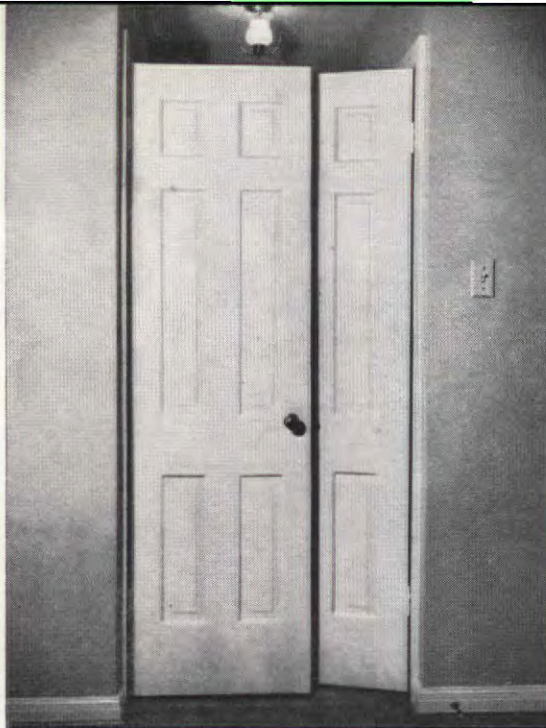
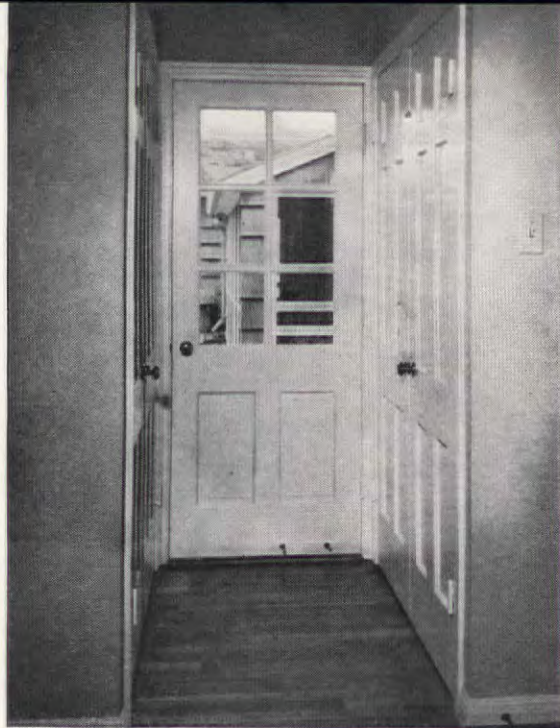
**WINDOW PICTURE:** Make a good  
thing of a high, tiny window.  
Lois Hurley, of Racine, Wisc.,  
gave hers a Venetian blind,  
framed it in a shadow box, and  
filled the box with plants



## Good Little Ideas (Begins on page 43)

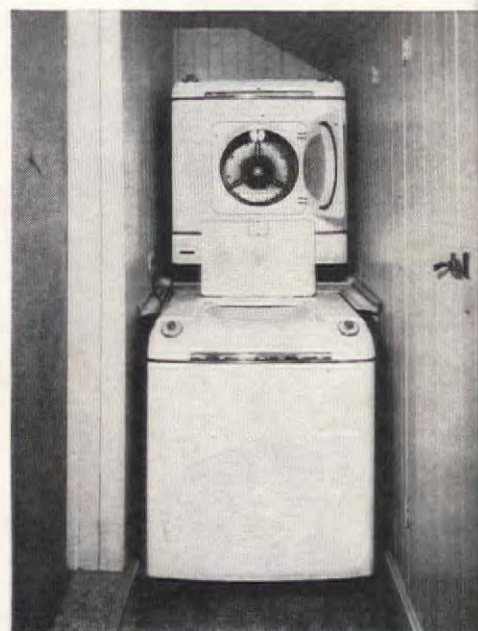
**IT'S NOT THE BUNK**—it's the way it's designed that counts. In the Tarshis home, in Portland, Ore., recessed bunks, complete with drawers, turn a hobby room into good sleeping quarters. Notice the decorative way the panels are set, and see how well an Oriental looks amid all this rusticity





**IMPROVISED DRESSING ROOM** works very well: The James Noels of Houston created it by placing double closets in a passage leading from master bedroom to garden. You can see how, by opening the near doors, they can block it off from the bedroom. The same thing happens on the far side to shut it in from the garden

**TALL-STORY LAUNDRY:** There wasn't room for both washer and dryer, so the F. Clare Hinkleys of Glencoe, Ill., stacked them. Washer, on bottom, projects so its top can open; dryer is installed on firmly supported shelf over the washer



**SORTING "DOORS":** Instead of opening out, two doors of the Ike Robinson's linen closet drop down handily, this way. There's nothing to keep you from using such a compartment as an extra desk, either. Architect: Thos. McCleary, Houston

**PHONE PEN:** They didn't try to hide it, but the telephone hides itself on that end shelf of this corner table in the Wanless house in Houston, and there is a good compartment for telephone books below it. Designed by Tschudi Lockwood



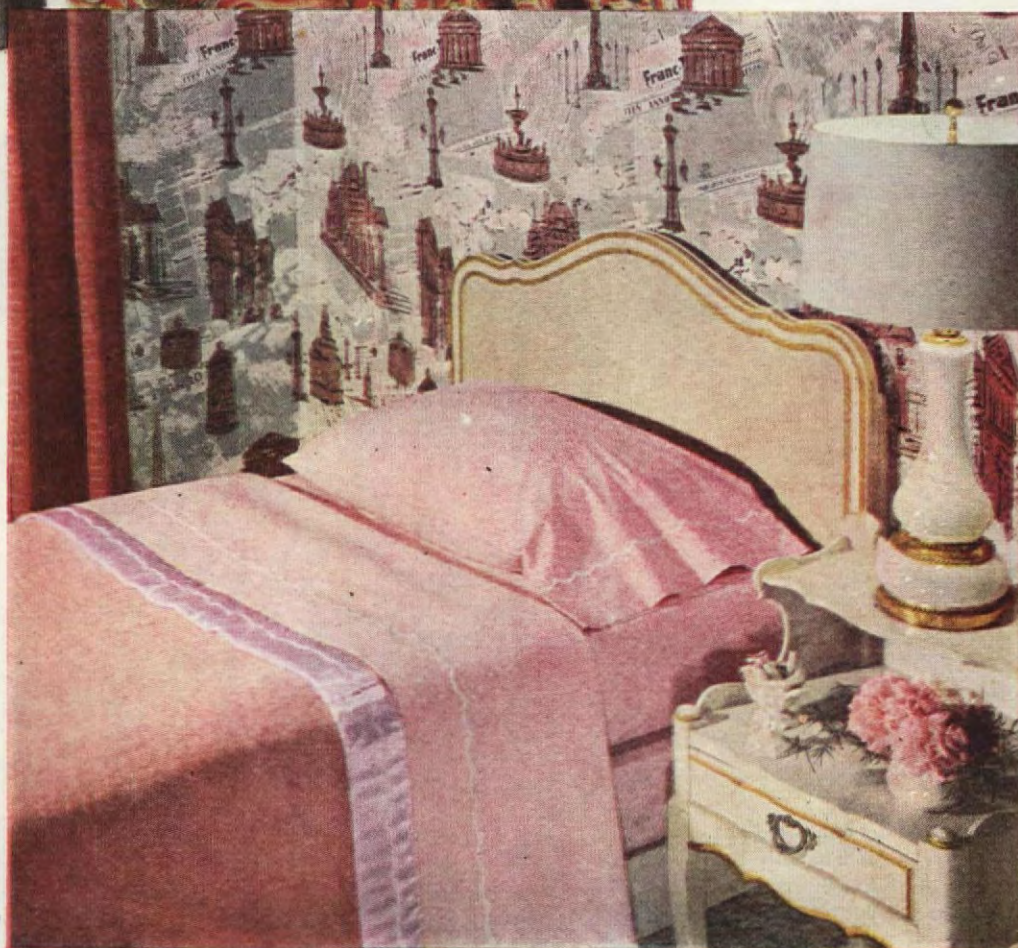


GERTRUDE BROOKS DIXSON

*Good*



ALL PRICES ARE APPROXIMATE  
See "Where Credit Is Due" on page 90



You're a new kind of buyer—and you're wonderful! You're the determined little lady who has pushed the manufacturer into something that's going to make your decorating a lot easier. You run around with little swatches in your hand, trying to find just the *right* combinations of colors, textures, and patterns which show that you planned them to go together. And although you sometimes drive yourself and the salespeople a little mad, you won't compromise. Because of you, manufacturers are now planning co-ordinated groups. If they can't do it with their products alone, they get together with other manufacturers. Here are two pages of co-ordination by the roomful. In one room we show three such groups, and they turn out to be a whole dormitory full of good room mates: the spread and drapery are one ensemble; the sheets, blanket, and rug are another; and the wallpaper has a matching fabric (not shown) to use on a boudoir chair.

**1. BATHROOM:** There's a new chapter to the old story of towels and rugs by the set: matching terry cloth by the yard (36 in. wide, \$2 yd.). Make it into muss-proof curtains, man-sized bath sheets, robes for everybody. Stripes in your choice of five colors. Towels, \$1 to \$2.50; cloth, 40¢; 2 x 3 ft. solid-color rug to match, \$5.50

**2. LIVING ROOM:** Eight top-flight artists turned their skilled hands to paintings by the yard, designed a line of distinctive fabrics, then adapted the designs to ceramics. Group shown is Aaron Bohrod's "Country Auction" (42 in. wide, \$2.29 yard), his handsome barberpole lamp base (\$92), many-purpose ceramic dish (\$27.50)

**3. DREAM STUFF:** Yarn for the blanket—soft as a pink cloud—was dyed to match pink thread in sheet, its deep binding done in same white scallop. Rug (shown in 4) also ties in, has same pink and white of threads interwoven in sheet for "frosty" look. Scalloped sheet and case \$11.95 set; blanket, \$28; rug \$9 sq. yd.

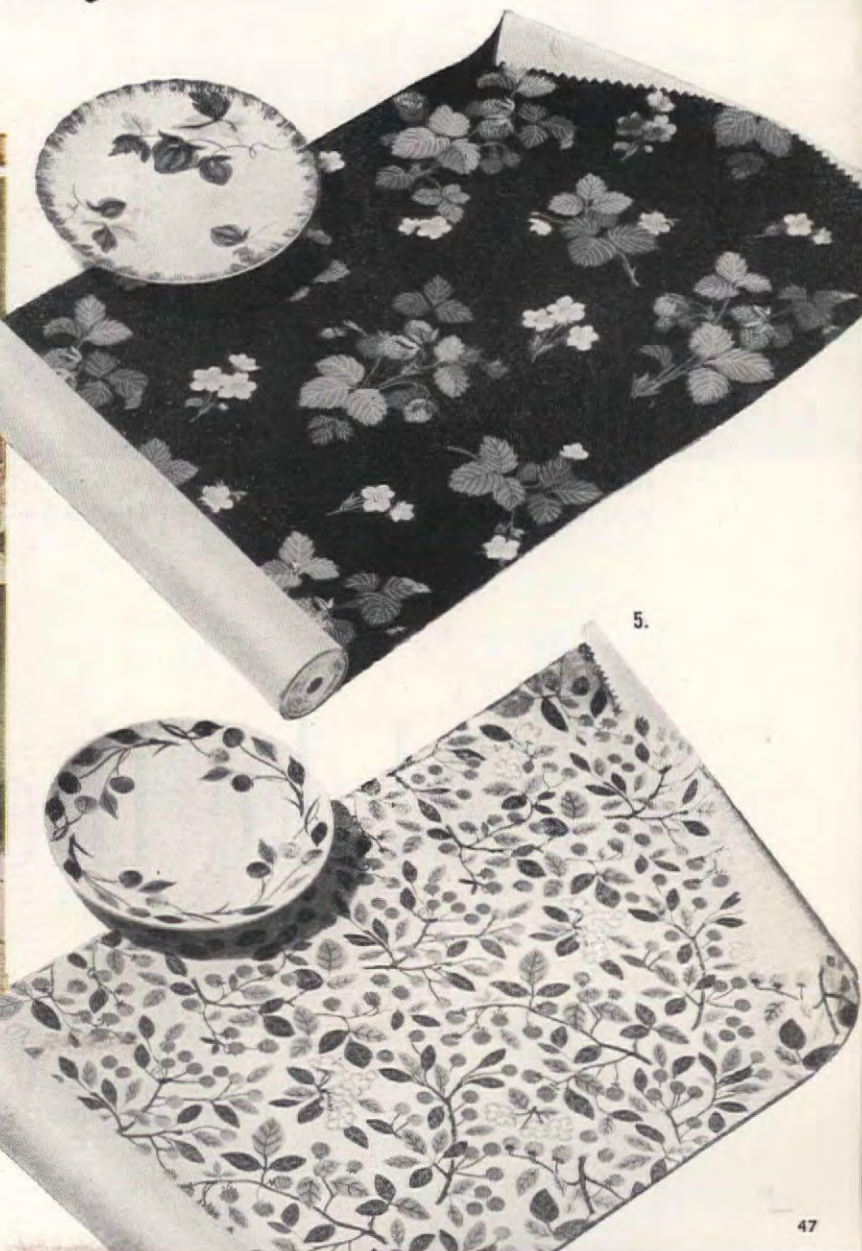
**4. BEDROOM:** Bold plaid spread is done in six color combinations, each with a solid-color drapery (beautifully cartridge pleated) in a harmonizing tone. To give you a change but not disrupt your color scheme, there are solid-color spreads of the same fabric, too. Twin or double spreads, \$14.95; 90-in. draperies, \$14.95 a pair

**5. DINETTE:** Be as gay as you like—and you'll keep on liking it. Set your table with pottery hand-decorated to go with a charming collection of small-scaled wallpapers. Practical solution to use of pattern in a tiny room. Trimmed for easy hanging, two papers shown, \$1.75 single roll. 28-piece pottery sets, \$15.50 ea.

# Room Mates



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Here Modern is understood: furniture is scaled to high ceilings, there's seating capacity without bulk, the windows get no competition, but the windowless bookcase wall is a decorative entity

# Make the Right Change

The transition from a traditional house to a modern one

is a shift that many people talk about glibly but do poorly



MARTHA B. DARBYSHIRE



The bedroom, almost a bower in the garden, is the essence of Modern, and it is quietly decorated to play up the effect of its wonderful windows. Built-in chests, draperies, walls, and carpet are all pale blue or gray

OWNERS: MR. & MRS. L. S. STORRS  
DECORATORS: BOB ANDERSON AND BRIAN BARLOW



These were once in a traditional house. Sofa shed its carving and got a new cover. Chinese stools, which double as seats, serve as a coffee table. Instead of blocking the space, they leave it open, and you can get up from the center of the sofa



In the traditional house, Chinese chests were stacked one on the other. In this Modern room, they're so much better side by side, raised off the ground to seem less bulky. Topsy candelabrum is gay, and casts an enchanting shadow

One enthusiastic modern architect who betrays an impatience with clients who botch up the interior decoration of good modern houses sums it up this way: "They talk about and vow they want modern, but traditional decoration is what they do. It's like the people who talk about wine but beer is what they drink!"

Another young modern designer complains that *his* clients ruin houses with peeled, sterile decoration that is at best no more than a miscarriage of the word "home": "They move in and scantily decorate in the fashion of people who are trying out an experiment. Naturally they can't achieve the atmosphere of a permanent home." It's his theory that some people build a modern house before they are ready for it.

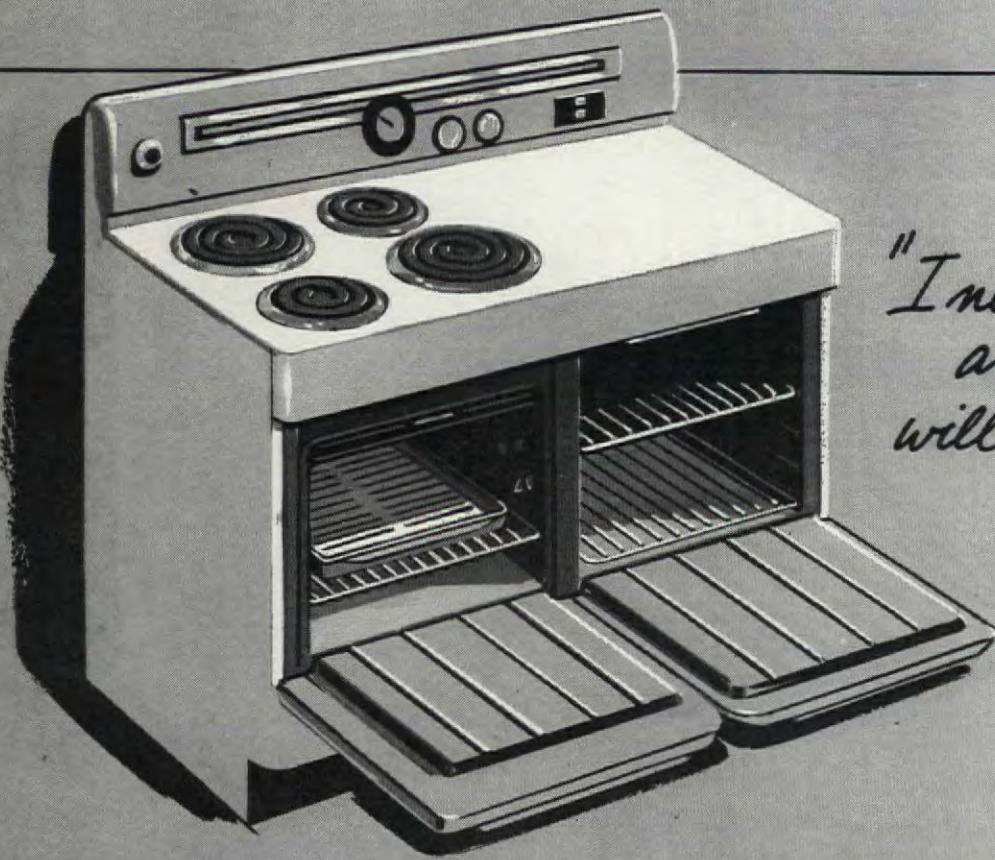
Mrs. L. S. Storrs, whose house is pictured here, agrees. Those who build a modern house and furnish it either with a dry sink, tip-top tables and ruffled curtains, or with isolated groupings of spare modern furniture are neither ready to make the change—nor to keep the change.

The Storrs—who used to live in a traditional house—have made the change gracefully. In their case, there was no ghost

of Great-Grandmother to banish . . . no ironstone teapot nor cherry chest that she had brought from New England in a covered wagon. They had their treasures—family silver and Chinese antiques which they kept, along with the sofa which had been a very good one and would have been costly to replace. But Mrs. Storrs had no division of conscience about old possessions. Many are gone but the best, the most interesting of them are here and used in part, or ingeniously disguised to fit the modern background.

The Storrs submitted their sketches and plans to O. H. Brady, an engineer, to reduce to technical blueprints. With these in hand, they employed Bob Anderson and Brian Barlow as decorators. This collaboration has resulted in a house as modern as any you will find—simple glass walls opening onto the patio, spacious areas that flow into each other, clean-lined slender furniture of iron and glass. But the grace notes of home are there: favorite water colors, the old sofa in a new dress, bent-wood chairs, six Chinese chests arranged to make an imposing wall piece, mementos collected through the years. The Storrs made the change right.

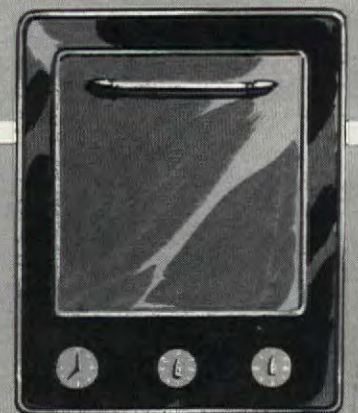
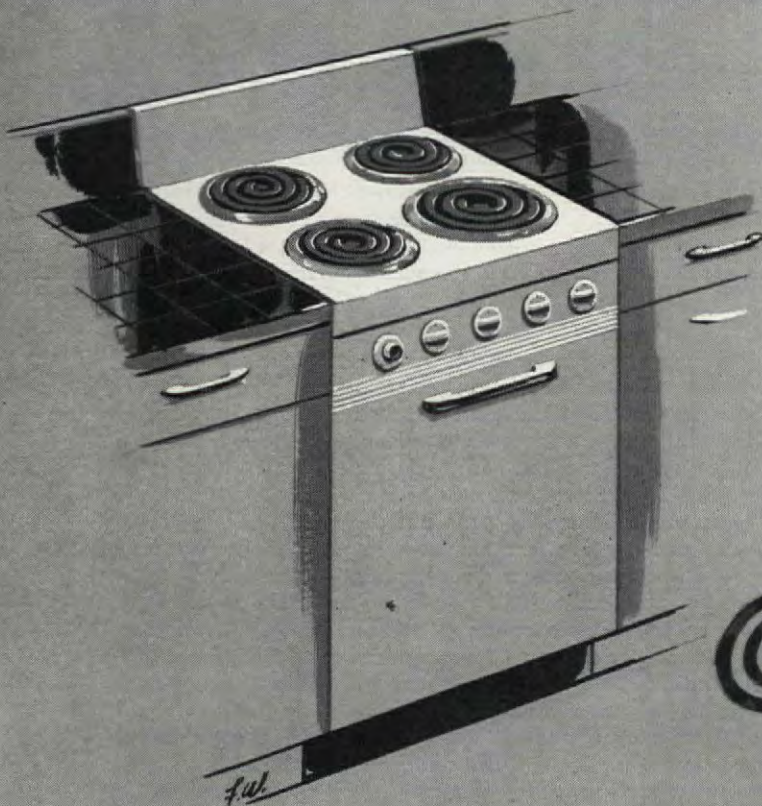
# Which ELECTRIC RANGE



*"I need more oven space —  
are two ovens best — or  
will one oversize oven do?"*



*"Will it take a big roast —  
a big turkey?"*



# for you—and Why?



EDITH RAMSAY

When you set out to shop for an electric range these days, you'll find that manufacturers have cooked up so many good features for you that you feel like a kid in a toy store. They're all worth having, and no single model has them all—so consider your own schedule and probable future requirements before you fall for an "extra" or take any single feature to heart at the expense of another. If you really put on your thinking cap, you may discover that what's a luxury for some homemakers is a necessity for you (or the other way around)—and this AMERICAN HOME Better Buying Guide was designed to help you with that thinking.

Too often good looks, or a glance at a price tag, furnish the answer if you don't stop to think. But, as you know well, neither of these are dependable guides when you invest in an appliance which must, above all, perform well.

#### WHAT TYPES ARE THERE? WHAT DO THEY COST?

Ask yourself a lot of questions before you decide upon any one size or type, because your requirements may be very different from those of the Joneses next door. How many people eat how many meals per day at your house? Do you have frequent house guests? Do you give large dinner parties? Does your home freezer inspire you to double up on baking? Do teen-agers swarm about for cooked goodies? Do you need storage space in your range, or can you concentrate upon the cooking part alone?

Electric ranges fall into the five types listed below, and prices we give are approximate, as of June 1, 1952:

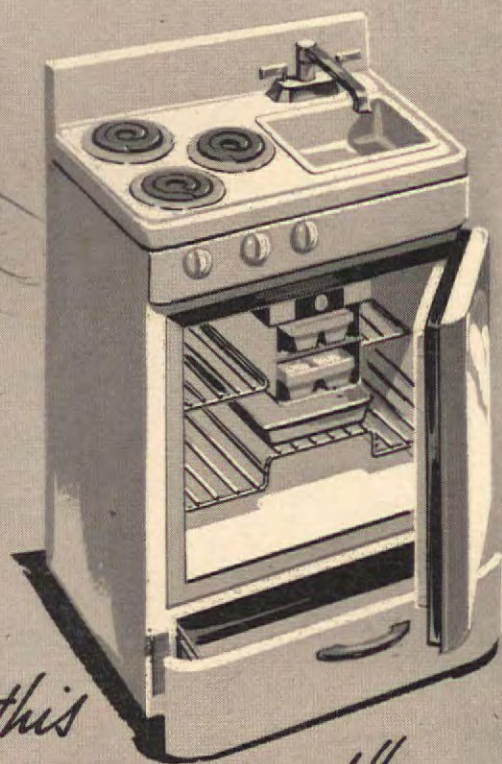
**Apartment or cooker models**, the smallest true ranges, 20 in. to 22 in. wide. Though small enough to fit limited spaces, they are all business. They don't provide storage or work surface, but they do have three or four surface units plus an oven-broiler large enough to take on that big roast or a turkey. If you cook in quantity, consider the possibility of two such small ranges. Extra features such as timers, surface light, automatic clock can be had at extra cost. This size is priced from \$170 to \$190.

**30-in. models** combine space conservation with extra baking capacity, and homemakers love them. They have four surface units and an extra-size oven-broiler—one which is even bigger than those found in larger ranges. If you want storage space, surface light, timer, clock, you'll find them on deluxe models. This size, from \$187 to \$227.

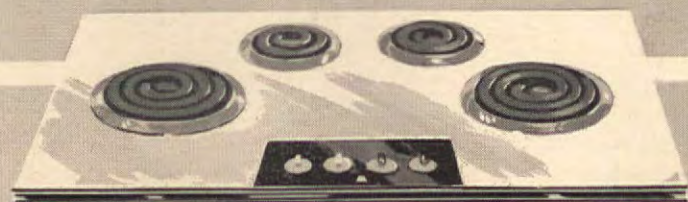
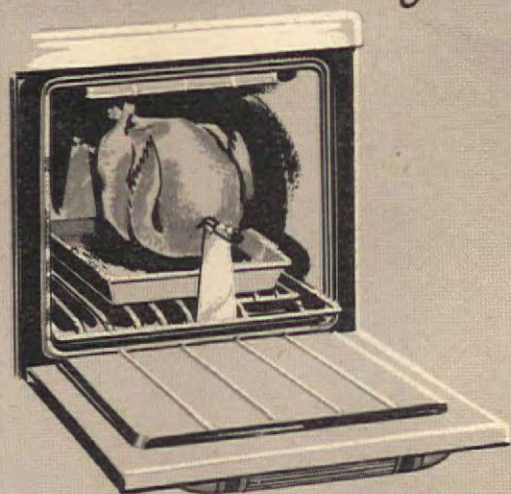
**36-in. to 42-in. models** are usually referred to as "standard size." But as a matter of fact, they have only their sizes in common, and some will feed many more people at a clip than will others. You can have four surface units, or three surface units plus a deep-well cooker (deluxe models have a deep-well unit which can be raised to the top to be used as a fourth surface unit). You can have them with one oven and broiler or with two of each. They all have good storage facilities, although, of course, you get less storage in a two-oven range than in a one-oven model of the same width. The more deluxe the range, the more features it will have: griddles, warming ovens, lights, timers, clocks, and the like. Prices: from \$195 to \$450.

**Modular units** are the glamour girls among ranges, now sweeping the country. Their advantage is that the surface units are one thing and the oven-broilers are another—so they offer you enormous flexibility in arrangement. Of course, you can assemble them to resemble a conventional range with the surface unit on top and

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"Wouldn't this be fine in the playroom!"



"What's the big advantage?"

# Good Victuals

JEAN AUSTIN



*Sit down and feed, and welcome to our table.*

SHAKESPEARE—AS YOU LIKE IT



**H**ow come you girls won't let Papa have his little secrets? Thousands upon thousands of requests came pouring in for the outdoor recipes. Offered as bait to lure Papa into more imaginative culinary endeavors, they were deliberately not put into the magazine "for Mama's prying eyes to ferret out." Yet a very large percentage of the requests were in very feminine handwriting! Just acting as Papa's secretary, I presume? In any case, I thank you one and all for your terrific response to a heartfelt plea for better outdoor cooking this summer. And that bit of scolding administered to Mama last month—all taken in good part. I trust, since this month we're off the soap box and back in stride with the very special kind of food we call Good Victuals.

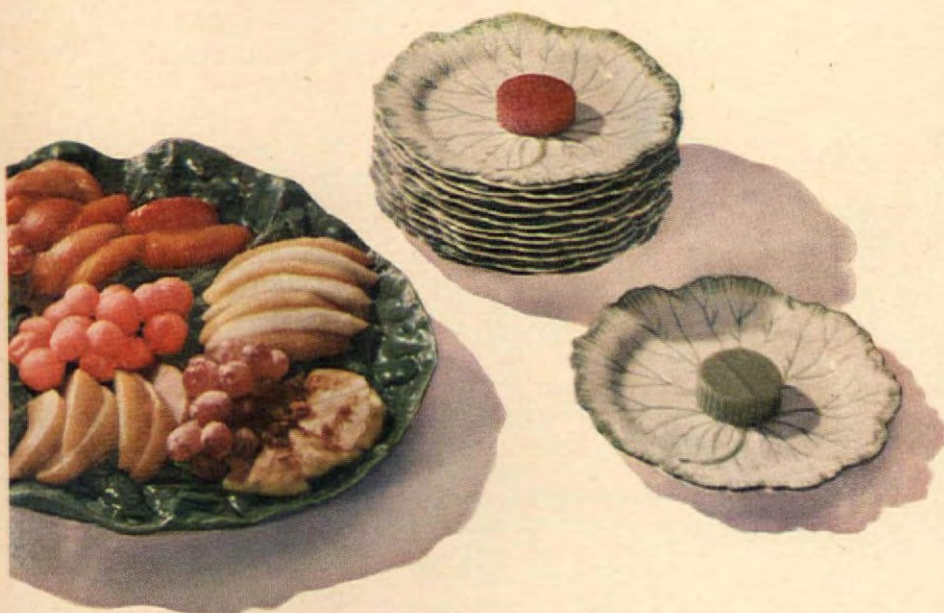
So let's talk first about the lovely fruits of summer and suggest a few tricks perhaps new to you. Can watermelon, for instance, be any gooder (the word is my Granddaughter Clyte's) than it is? It can be, it really can be, when plugged with champagne, then iced. You cut out little wedges, pour in champagne, poke in a sprig of fresh dewy mint, replace the wedges and serve cold, cold, cold . . . And now behold that beautiful platter of fruits—infinite possibilities there for a stunning rainbow of your own creating. Take your prettiest platter. Heap pineapple wedges dripping in brown sugar; huge purple grapes dipped in egg white and chilled; melon balls, all sizes, all kinds; berries red, berries black; slices of peaches, slices of pears, stewed in a simple sugar syrup or poached in wine; some apple slices too, cooked up with a stick of cinnamon or cinnamon candy to make them even prettier; slices of honeydew, muskmelon; some great red cherries. Serve



... the ripened Fruits dangling down the Boughs,  
 shew the wealth and the beauty of the Earth ...  
 O 'tis the merry time wherein honest Neighbors  
 make good cheer, and God is glorified  
 in his blessings on the Earth.



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still making it, I'll wager. But for those who did not see it then, or pay particular attention to it in our recipe reprint, here it is again. Larded with anchovies, then baked, cooled and sliced. Put back together again and iced with a smooth cream cheese and mayonnaise mixture, bits of chives, pickle, and other flavorsome tid-bits peering through it. It wears a necklace of shiny, black ripe olives and around its base, a garland of Asparagus Vinaigrette, tied here and there with a ribbon of bright red pimiento. Undeniably regal in mien, yea, even a bit haughty this one, and superb for buffet, summertime and wintertime ... Something hot with something cold—that's the way we like it and what we have for you that may be new to you, a hot spinach pie. Uncommonly good it is, especially be the meal meager on the meaty side. Do try it, please do ... Since we began with dessert, we shall finish with hors d'oeuvres, and have I ever got three really different ones for you! Shrimp with their tails left on are coated with brown sugar, soya sauce, lemon and pepper, curry powder and onion, and, of course, a touch of garlic. Barbecued or broiled. Served hot with a little

with a tiny round of tomato aspic or guacamole if it is to be a main dish salad—a tiny scoop of orange or lemon ice if dessert. I think you'll find the combination of some cooked, some raw fruit, more interesting. Also, it's ever so much easier because a great deal of it can be done ahead of time, as of course it cannot be if all raw fruit is used, for to avoid discoloring one has to marinate so heavily in citrus juice that individual fruit tastes completely disappear ... And now for something certainly not new but which I never see elsewhere and yet is invariably admired at my house—a great bowl or compote of assorted ice creams. A fresh mixed fruit sauce for everybody, or a gooey chocolate and marshmallow sauce on the side for the banana-split crowd.

Folks love making their own choice of flavor, it's no more costly and certainly ever so much more entertaining ... Handsome is a deep cherry red *Bavarois*, a light and lovesome thing of cherries molded with cream cheese, wearing a white halo of heavy cream whipped with a snifter of brandy, jeweled with shimmering bits of bright lime gelatin. And oh so simple to make is it! ... My friend Herman Smith gave us the iced, boned veal recipe some years ago. If you made it then, you are

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paper cocktail napkin for sticky eager fingers. On a mound of rice, and you've a beautiful shrimp dinner. Have it either way or both ways, but make sure you start out with plenty of shrimp, for these make weak wills of strong minds. Next, shrimp butter balls, all the shrimp the butter will absorb. Rolled in

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# Place and Show

GERTRUDE BRASSARD

**M**ighty cool and tempting for a summertime dinner—don't you agree? But with its field of green, its nosegay china, the suggestion of sunshine in the gold of its napkins, it's a top-notch wintertime table, too. Is there anything wrong with this setting? Not on your life! It's laid for dinner, and we included the cups and the bread and butters. Of course, we know that Authorities give suchlike no place at a formal dinner table—but who's being formal? Mightily few of us these days—and by the millions we prefer to have hot breads and hot brews right along with the main course. So why not salute this good American custom?

Despite its thrifty price, the pretty dinnerware, timeless as a sonnet, has a good chance of becoming heirloom. Its designer is one of our century's most celebrated, Eva Zeisel, winner of a flock of awards—and some of her china is already treasured by museums as full-fledged art. This pattern, called "Bouquet," is brought out by Hallcraft at \$9.95 for a 16-piece starter set. Notice the free-flowing curves, the modeled look which gives Zeisel pieces their distinction—and makes them easy to store and to handle. Your cloth could play up any of its colors—we chose a grass-green by Matouk. (64-in. by 90-in. cloth with 8 napkins, \$24.95.)

Examine the flatware to see what a remarkable thing a master silversmith can come up with when he combines the old and the new. "Enchantment" is the name of this 1881 Rogers silverplate, the latest creation by Oneida, Ltd. The curved silhouette is traditional, and for all its daintiness, the design is expressed with a directness which the best old designers share with our own. But today knives are better for cutting, and this silverplate handle flows gracefully into Oneida's sharp-edged Contour blades of good 20th century stainless steel. A 6-piece place setting, \$5.50.

Fine as fine is the glassware by Heisey: the handblown crystal goblets with their polished cutting suggesting wheat and the "Midwest" for which they are named (\$30 a dozen); the jaunty hand-pressed "Cabochon" cruets which look modern—and 18th century, too (\$1.75); the hand-pressed "Waverly" relish dish (\$3.25), butter dish (\$2.25), and salts and peppers (\$3.00 a pair). The hand-pressed glass centerpiece, also by Heisey, consists of an epergne vase plus two five-light candleholders (\$10 for vase and one candleholder). For twilight dining in summer, we used only four candles, and put flowers in the candleholders' center cups—in the winter, you could use six, eight, or ten candles.

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# Summer is Sandwich-time and Soup-time, too

BY *Anne Marshall*



ANNE MARSHALL  
Director Home Economics  
Campbell Soup Company

So! It's a sultry summer day and time to get lunch, and your family's appetites are just—well, so-so. Cheer up. I've help for you: Make up a tempting platter of their very favorite sandwiches. Take down from your soup shelf a can or two of their best-liked soup (4 minutes fixin' time, you know). Be sure to let your folks catch a tantalizing whiff of that good soup as you set it on the table. I don't think you'll have to call them *twice*!

Every meal, you know, needs one hot dish—and hearty soup's a "natural". Soup stimulates appetites, says "Let's eat!" It's easy to digest... it's nourishing... and by contrast soup makes your cold foods taste better.

Here are 24 ideas for easy, happy summertime eating. Is your soup shelf stocked—ready?

*Soup is the ideal one hot dish of cool summer meals*

**Cream of Mushroom Soup**  
("Mmm-Good" these mushroom pieces and cream)

*8 Sandwiches specially good with it:*

Ham Salad with Lettuce  
Pimiento-Egg Salad  
Swiss Cheese on Rye  
Chicken-Nut Salad  
Liverwurst and Mustard  
Chicken with Cranberry Sauce  
Sliced Tongue with Horseradish  
Roast Pork with Chili Sauce

**Vegetarian Vegetable Soup**  
(In one delicious soup—fourteen vegetables)

*8 Sandwiches that seem to belong with it:*

Yellow Cheese with Pepper Relish  
Sardines-Onion on Rye  
Cream Cheese-Olive  
Peanut-Tuna Salad  
Crab Salad in Hard Rolls  
Peanut Butter and Pickle Relish  
Salmon Salad  
Sliced Egg and Olive

**Chicken with Rice Soup**  
(Golden broth, tender pieces of chicken, fluffy rice)

*8 Sandwiches that accent it:*

Tomato and Green Pepper Slices  
Cucumber and Water Cress  
Bacon and Tomato  
Smoky Cheese Spread  
Corned Beef with Mustard  
Meat Loaf with Ketchup  
Pineapple Cheese  
Peanut Butter and Bacon

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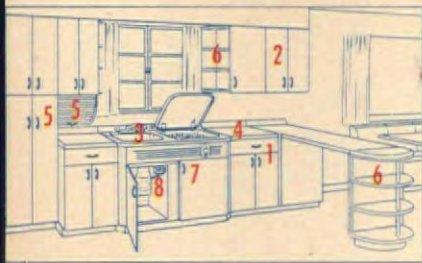
Remove from heat and add 4 eggs, one at a time. Beat after each addition until egg is blended and mixture is smooth. Continue beating until mixture is stiff and breaks when spoon is raised



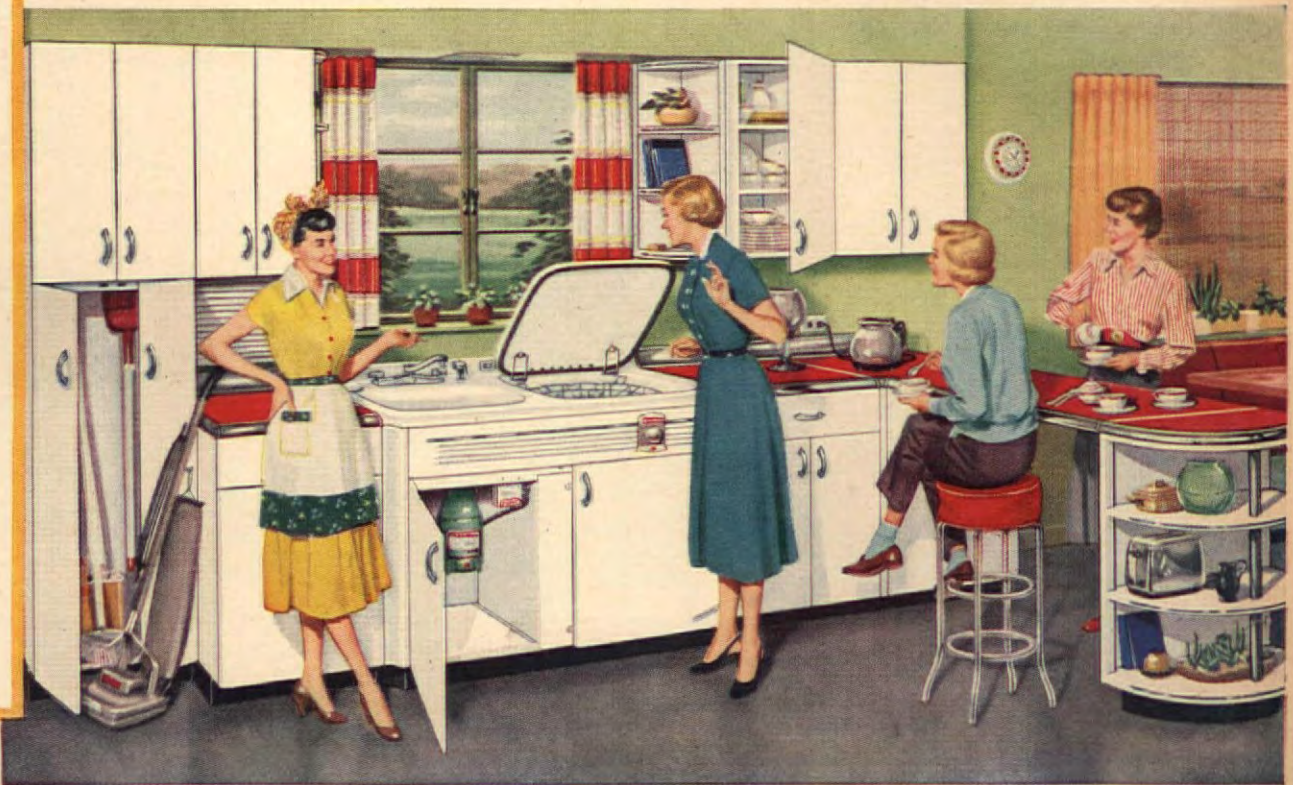
Shape on a greased baking sheet with two tablespoons, allowing 2 inches between each one. Bake at 450° F. for 15 minutes, then at 350° F. for 20-25 minutes. Place on wire rack to cool; fill with cream filling, ice cream, or flavored whipped cream. Makes 12 puffs



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Preparation time: 15 minutes

### YOU'LL NEED:

Biscuit mix  
Lard  
Milk  
Onions  
Eggs  
Sour Cream

Combine 2 cups biscuit mix with  $\frac{2}{3}$  cup milk. Spread evenly in a greased 9" x 9" baking pan. Cook 2 cups thinly sliced onions in 2 tbs. melted lard until lightly browned. Add a dash of cayenne. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Drain off fat. Spread onions over biscuit dough. Combine 1 egg, beaten with  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sour cream. Pour evenly over onions. Bake at 450° F. for 20-25 minutes. Serve hot.

Yield: 16 squares

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## ham pinwheels

Preparation time: 10 minutes

### YOU'LL NEED:

Biscuit mix  
Milk  
1 lb. pre-cooked ground ham  
1 can cream of mushroom soup

Add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk to 2 cups biscuit mix. Mix lightly. Turn out on a floured board and knead for 10 seconds. Roll out into a rectangle 9" by 12". Combine 2 cups ground cooked ham with  $\frac{1}{3}$  cup undiluted cream of mushroom soup. Spread evenly over dough. Roll up as for jelly roll. Cut into slices 1 inch thick and place cut side down on a greased baking sheet. Bake at 400° F. for 15-20 minutes.

If desired serve with **Mushroom Sauce**: Blend  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup cream into remaining soup and heat to serving temperature, or serve with **Raisin Sauce**: Cover 1 cup raisins with boiling water and simmer 10 minutes. Combine  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup brown sugar firmly packed, 2 tsp. cornstarch,  $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. salt, 1 tbs. butter or margarine, and 1 tbs. vinegar. Add to raisins and cook, stirring constantly until slightly thickened.

Serves 6

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## raisin dumplings

Preparation time: 10 minutes

### YOU'LL NEED:

Biscuit mix  
Milk  
Brown sugar  
Butter or margarine  
Raisins

Combine 2 tbs. granulated sugar, 2 cups biscuit mix and  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk. Mix together in a heavy skillet 2 cups brown sugar, firmly packed, 2 cups water, 2 tbs. butter or margarine, 1 tsp. cinnamon,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup raisins. Cook, stirring constantly, until sugar melts. Continue cooking until mixture boils. Drop biscuit dough into syrup by tablespoonfuls. Cover tightly and simmer 12-15 minutes.

Serves 6

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## rainbow muffins

Preparation time: 10 minutes

### YOU'LL NEED:

Biscuit mix  
Milk  
Eggs  
Peas  
Carrots

Combine 2 cups biscuit mix, 2 tbs. sugar,  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk and 1 egg until dry ingredients are just moistened. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup peas and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup grated carrots. Fill greased muffin cups  $\frac{2}{3}$  full. Bake at 400° F. for 20-25 minutes.

**Variation:** Cheese Muffins—Add 1 cup grated Cheddar cheese. Tomato Muffins—Substitute tomato juice for milk. Cranberry Muffins—Substitute 1 cup ground cranberries for peas and carrots. Blueberry Muffins—Substitute 1 cup blueberries for peas and carrots. Pepper Muffins—Substitute 3 tbs. chopped green pepper and 1 tbs. chopped red pepper for peas and carrots.

Yield: Approximately 1 dozen muffins

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## orange crunches

Preparation time: 10 minutes

### YOU'LL NEED:

Biscuit mix  
Granulated sugar  
Brown sugar  
Shortening  
1 can coconut  
Walnuts  
Oranges  
Eggs

Combine 2 cups biscuit mix,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup granulated sugar, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup brown sugar, firmly packed. Cut in  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup shortening.

Add 1 cup coconut,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped walnuts, 2 tbs. grated orange rind, and 1 egg. Mix well. Blend in  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup orange juice.

Drop by teaspoonfuls on a greased baking sheet. Bake at 400° F. for 10-12 minutes.

(Ice with orange confectioner's frosting.)

**Variations:** Peppermint-Chocolate Chip: Follow Orange Crunch recipe, substituting 1 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate pieces for coconut and milk for orange juice. Omit orange rind. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. peppermint extract.

Lemon-Date: Follow Orange Crunch recipe, substituting 1 cup chopped dates for coconut, lemon rind for orange rind, and lemon juice for orange juice. Chocolate: Omit walnuts. Add 2 squares melted baking chocolate. Ice with vanilla confectioner's frosting if desired.

Yield: 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  dozen

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## hamburger pie

Preparation time: 15 minutes

### YOU'LL NEED:

Onions  
Green pepper  
1 lb. ground beef  
2 cans condensed tomato soup  
Biscuit mix  
Parsley  
Milk

Cook  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chopped onion and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped green pepper in 2 tbs. melted butter or margarine until tender.

Add beef and cook until browned.

Add  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup tomato soup and 1 tsp. salt.

Combine 2 cups biscuit mix with  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped parsley.

Add  $\frac{2}{3}$  cup milk and mix lightly. Turn out on lightly floured board; knead about 10 seconds. Divide dough in half and roll each part into a rectangle 7" by 11".

Place 1 rectangle in a lightly greased 7" by 11" baking pan. Spread meat mixture evenly over dough. Top with remaining rectangle.

Bake at 400° F. for 25-30 minutes.

Serve with **QUICK TOMATO SAUCE**: Combine remaining soup,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chopped green pepper,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup minced onion, and 1 tbs. Worcestershire sauce. Heat to serving temperature.

Serves 6

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# Biscuit Mix

RAINBOW MUFFINS



ORANGE CRUNCHES



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# AMERICAN HOME

# Cheapies

• angel-ettes • date-bait  
(cheapies)



## • Boston salad (a cheapie)



1  $\times$ 2 can baked beans  
1 carrot, diced  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup green beans, julienne  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup peas  
1 cup potatoes, diced  
1 onion, sliced thin

**P**repare vegetables and cook until they are just done. Cool thoroughly and mix with can of baked beans. Add salt and pepper to taste. This makes 4 generous servings to use for your main dish, or it serves 6-8 if used as a separate salad course.

JEANNIE WILLIS

**D**id you ever eat broiled sawdust? That's how lamb patties usually taste! Most people shudder at the mention of them, and many of us remember them as war-time necessities, due to low ration points. Lo and behold, here is a recipe for lamb patties guaranteed not to taste like dried, fried sawdust. By the simple and inexpensive addition of mint jelly to the meat, Peg's Lamb Patties become a family favorite. Do them in advance, then refrigerate until cooking time. For outdoor cooking, too, these will be a change from hamburgers. Along the same vein is our Boston Salad. This one has been tested on a score of people who did not like vegetable salads—and one and all liked this. For a starter, it has no dressing, just the juice from a can of beans. Do not overcook your vegetables. They need to be *just* done so that they aren't mashed in the mixing of the salad. The vegetable part can be made in advance, and arranged on lettuce just before use. Cheapies members, be sure you try this, and keep in mind variations you can concoct with other left-over vegetables. There are umpteen possibilities, all good!

Let's cast an eye on that Family Style Chicken, next. This recipe serves two purposes. One, when you want a succulent but plain-Jane meal—because the chicken broth is absorbed to the last drop by the rice, it's rich, nourishing and wasteless. Two, for that very reason, it bears remembering whenever you can't get around to using up carefully stored and well intended chicken stock, thereby sacrificing a wealth of nutrition, and downright goodness.

For our more ladylike moments, when we are not trying so desperately to fill up vast masculine hunger-cavities, a bit of fancy fluff-and-stuff such as our Angel-ettes and Date-baits, are in order.

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## • family-style chicken (a cheapie)



4-lb. fowl, cut up small  
1 tsp. salt  
 $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. pepper  
1 small onion  
1 bay leaf, crushed  
1 piece of celery  
 $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups boiling water  
1 cup rice

**P**ut fowl in pan which has a tight cover. Add all the other ingredients except the rice. Cover, then simmer for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. Remove onion and celery and add rice. Simmer until stock is absorbed by rice. A sprig of parsley or two, and a few slices of stuffed olives make a good garnish. Serves 6.

## • Peg's lamb patties (a cheapie)



1 lb. lamb patties  
4 tbs. mint jelly  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. oregano  
Salt and pepper  
4 slices of bacon

**P**lace meat, jelly, and oregano in a bowl and mix thoroughly. Add pepper and salt to taste. Divide into four portions. With hands, shape each like a hot dog and wrap a slice of bacon around it. Broil them about 10 min., turning once. Plan 1 lb. of meat for four ample servings.

# Cheapies (Begins on page 61)

Very cheap, and perfectly delectable little mouthfuls, are the Angel-ettes. Make these dainty and small for the pretty-pretty occasions. Or bake them in large muffin tins, scoop out a bit of the centers and fill with fruit. Then top with a smidgen of whipped cream, and you have six servings of a party dessert to do you proud and cost you little. The Date-baits, if made with biscuit dough, are wonderful with fruit salads and the like. If made with pie dough, they become a flaky sweetmeat. Crescent or pinwheel or any shape you prefer, these are good. That filling is so popular with my children, that it is usually to be found in our icebox. They spread it on graham crackers. Satisfies their between-meal yen for sweets, while it also sneaks in a spare vitamin or so.



• angel-ettes • date-bait  
(cheapies)

## ANGEL-ETTES:

Beat until very stiff the following: 2 egg whites,  $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. cream of tartar, 3 tbs. sugar,  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. salt. Then beat 2 egg yolks with 3 tbs. sugar. Fold into whites. Fold in  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sifted pastry flour. Turn into greased tins. Bake 15 min. at 350° F. Remove from pans; roll in sifted powdered sugar. Makes 18.

## DATE-BAIT:

Prepare filling by cooking until thick:  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar, 1 pkg. chopped dates, and 1 cup water. Cool. Add 1 tbs. grated lemon rind. (This fills 36.) While this is cooling, make up half a batch of your favorite biscuit or pie dough for every dozen Date-baits you wish to make. Roll out very thin. For crescents, cut into 12 pie-shaped pieces, spread with filling. Roll up, starting with wide end. For pinwheels, spread dough with filling and roll as for jelly-roll. Slice and place on greased cookie sheets. Brush top with milk and bake at 350° F. for about 15 minutes.

## • Hawaiian chicken salad (a cheapie)

Left-over chicken, diced  
1 8-oz. can crushed pineapple  
2 slices bacon  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups cooked rice  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. marjoram

Cook bacon until very crisp. Crumble very fine. Drain pineapple, reserving juice. Mix chicken, pineapple pulp, rice, and bacon. Add marjoram and season to taste. For dressing, add some of that pineapple juice to mayonnaise, and/or lemon rind and juice. A little bit of left-over chicken can this way be made to serve four nicely.

To brand Hawaiian Chicken Salad a left-over is a crime and a sacrilege, yet that is how it was evolved. A kind of aimless meandering with a far-off look in the eye, dabs of this, then dabs of that, a look in the cupboard—lo, inspiration!

On a hot summer's day when you crave something simple, but different, this is for you. With the rice as a filler, you can stretch a little bit of chicken a long way, instead of resorting to the overworked celery salad that is commonly served in lieu of chicken salad! Isn't that right? Aren't we justified in that below-the-belt crack?

Forgive us if we malign you, but you must know that old saying, "If the shoe fits—" Summer seems to be the time for chicken, a noble time for a noble new recipe, too. Use fowl—the best economy, anyway—for Currant Chicken. You'll like the tangy gravy, sort of a sweet and sour one. Basting often is important, but other than that, this is not one of those watch-and-wait-over jobs. Nor must it be popped right onto the table. "Setting a spell" won't spoil this meal! Now we come to stuffed peppers.

To be quite frank, we never liked them. A gooey starchy mess with over- or undercooked peppers was not to our liking. Yet here was a well-known budget food not on our menus. A Cheapie challenge, that, so to work we went. We find that the original source is best for locating basic recipes. In countries where the supply of a certain food is bountiful, women have over the years worked out sound recipes for their use. It behooves us not to spurn them. Instead, ferret them out; then, adapt them.

Here, then, is a very Italian recipe. Anchovy paste is the difference. And don't all jump on me that way.

It is not expensive—about 20 cents a tube—and it keeps indefinitely. A dash of it may enliven many a dreary dish. Using tricks of this sort is how Cheapies cooks keep their meals budgeted, but not boring.



## • currant chicken (a cheapie)

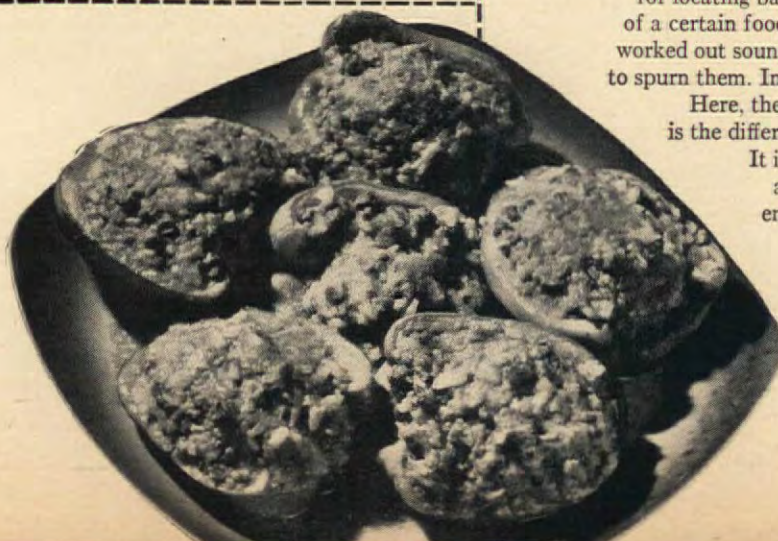
1 4-lb. fowl, cut up small  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup flour  
4 tbs. bacon drippings  
2 tbs. flour  
2 cups water or stock  
2 tbs. green pepper, chopped  
2 tbs. orange rind, in strips  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup currant jelly

Dip fowl in water, then in the flour. Brown in melted fat and arrange it in casserole. Add flour to fat in pan and stir to paste. Add stock. Stir until it boils. Add pepper, rind, and jelly. Cook until jelly melts. Pour this over the chicken so the pepper and rind remain on top. Cook at 300° F. for about 2 hours basting frequently. Serves 6.

## • Earlye's stuffed peppers (a cheapie)

1 cup cooked rice  
 $\frac{1}{3}$  cup bread crumbs  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. cooked hamburger  
1 egg  
1 small onion, chopped  
3 tbs. grated cheese  
2 tbs. anchovy paste  
1 tbs. chopped parsley  
4 tbs. olive oil  
2 tbs. tomato paste  
1 cup hot water

Combine all but last 3 ingredients. Mix well, then stuff into seeded, split peppers. Arrange in baking dish. Pour oil over them. Bake at 400° F. for 15 min. Stir tomato paste into water, and add. Bake another 10 min. Baste often. This makes stuffing for 4 peppers.





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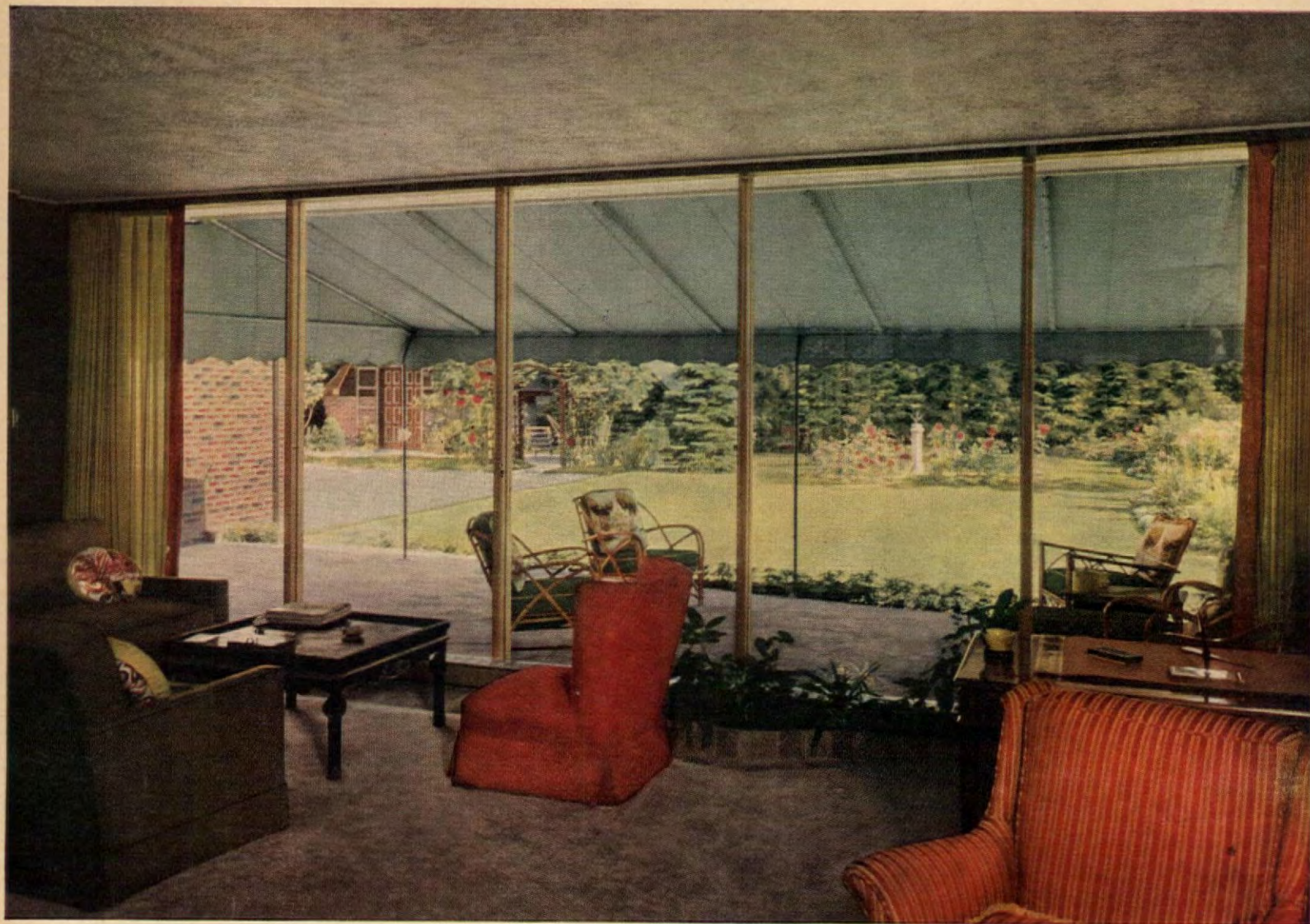


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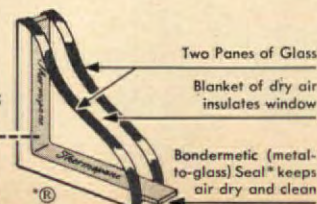


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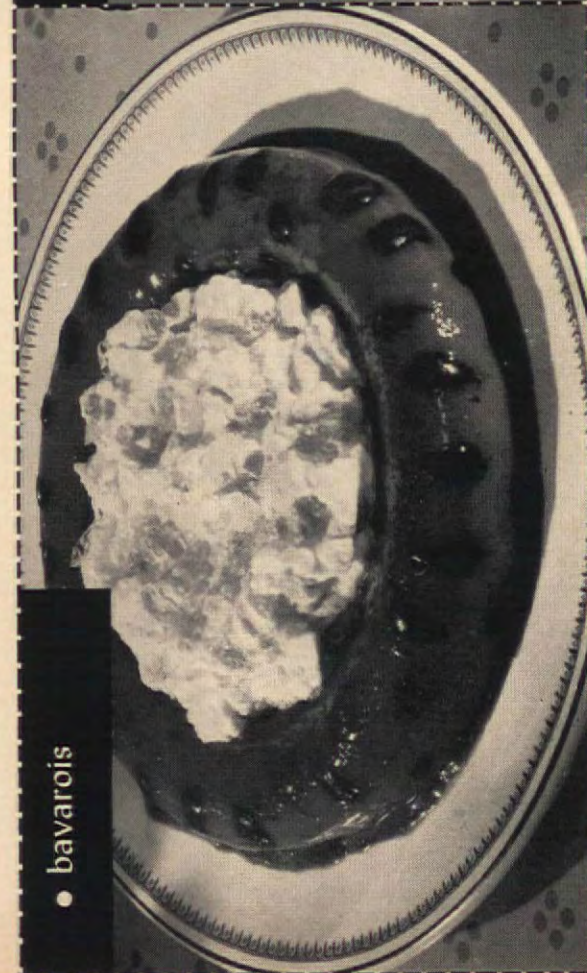
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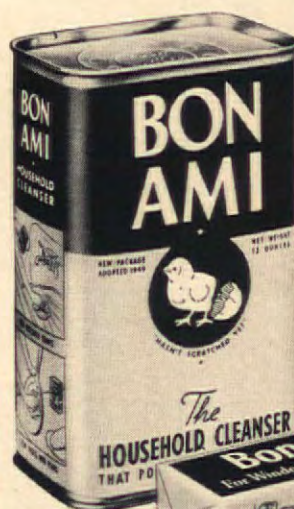


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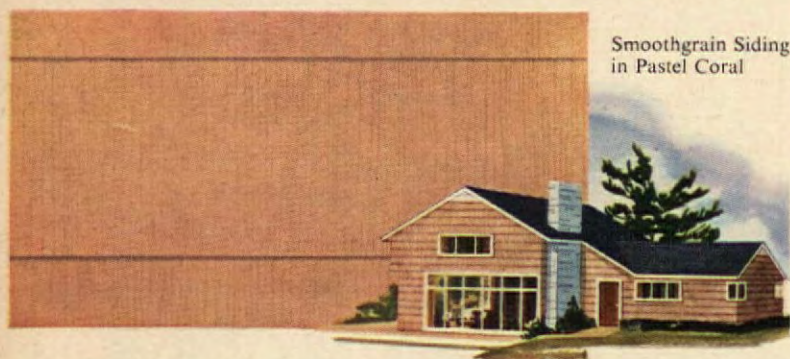
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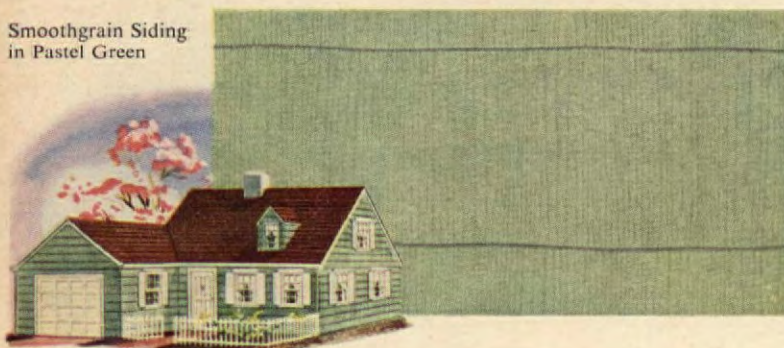
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## Good Victuals

(Begins on page 52)

### • iced veal

Have butcher bone leg of veal for roasting. Allow  $\frac{1}{3}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. per serving. Make several incisions in meat and fill incisions with anchovy paste. Crush 1 clove garlic in salt and cook 5 min. with 4-6 whole cloves in 1 cup water.

Pour over meat. Cover. Roast 30 min. per lb. in slow oven, 300° F. Cool. Slice lengthwise across top. Replace slices.

Ice with this mixture:

- 4 pkg. cream cheese
- 1 tbs. anchovy paste
- 2 tbs. minced chives
- 2 tbs. chopped dill pickle
- 2 tbs. mayonnaise

Garnish with whole ripe olives. Serve with Asparagus Vinaigrette.

Recipe by Herman Smith

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- 1 3-oz. pkg. cream cheese
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Add to gelatin; stir in 2 cups strained cherries. Pour in ring mold. Chill. Serve with whipped cream, whipped with a little brandy or rum. Garnish with chopped bits of lime gelatin.

## Good Victuals

(Begins on page 52)

- shrimp butter balls
- chestnut-bacon wraps

### SHRIMP BUTTER BALLS

Work into softened butter all the shredded shrimp the butter will absorb. Form in walnut-sized balls. Roll in crushed walnuts.

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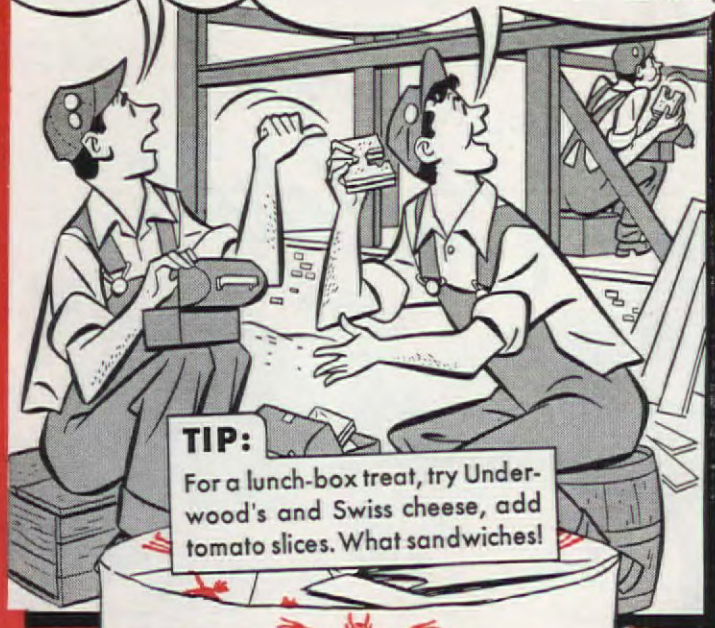
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**Good Victuals**

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• **barbecued shrimp**

Shell large, cooked shrimp, leaving tails. Coat with following sauce and broil, or skewer and barbecue over hot coals. In 2 tbs. butter, fry until golden brown: 1 large onion, finely chopped 1 small clove garlic, minced

Add: 1 tsp. salt 2 tbs. curry powder 1/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper Juice 1 large lemon and some rind 2 tbs. soya sauce 2 cups dark brown sugar Simmer until it becomes thick

• **hot spinach pie**

Over a slow fire cook 2 lbs. fresh spinach, carefully washed, cut up slightly but not chopped, in its own "juice." Add 1 cup parsley, broken but not chopped, and 1 cup green onions, coarsely chopped. Add a bit of butter, but no water. Sprinkle a little salt through the leaves. Shake the pan occasionally, and when half its original bulk add 1 tsp. rosemary, and continue cooking slowly until bottom leaves are wilted but still retain their shape. (10-15 min. total is enough.) Overcooking is the curse of most cooked greens. Put in a greased casserole. Cover with pie crust. Grated cheese added to the dry pastry before mixing with water makes a richer, handsomer pie. Brush with cream and bake in hot oven until pastry is brown.

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## Electric Range

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the oven below. But they were really intended to save you steps and stooping by permitting you to put the surface unit (several, if you like) wherever you want it on a counter, and to place the oven unit (or units) in an entirely different place if you prefer, and at whatever height is best for you. The tops, with three or four cooking units, with or without deep wells, cost from \$127 to \$150 or more. The oven-broilers are \$140 to about \$160.

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**WHAT IS GOOD CONSTRUCTION?**

Most ranges have a welded steel frame, reinforced with steel supports which are rust-resistant; porcelain-enamel oven interior and exterior; one-piece, stain-resistant porcelain-enamel cooking tops. Some cooking surfaces are stainless steel or chrome plated. Look for one-piece oven liners with corners rounded for easy cleaning.

Vents should be located on the front panel, or in front of the back panel, or under a rear surface unit. Oven doors should have an "ajar" position to hold the door open while broiling—if door is closed, thermostat shuts off when broiling temperature is reached.

Broiler pans should have narrow slits or closely spaced wires for easy drainage of fat into a deep broiler pan—aids smokeless broiling.

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The switches should be clearly marked for easy identification. The deluxe models have lights of several colors, each one specifying the degree of heat being used.

### HOW MANY OVEN HEATING ELEMENTS ARE THERE?

Electric ranges usually have two oven heating elements. The upper unit is used for broiling and operates when switch is at "broil." The lower unit goes on when any desired temperature is set for baking, roasting. The lower, and part of the upper unit operate at the same time to pre-heat the oven. Units are open-coil or enclosed, and should slip out readily for cleaning. In some ranges, lower unit is concealed beneath oven liner.

### CAN ONE LARGE OVEN BE USED AS TWO?

Yes, in some models you can have two temperatures simultaneously. The lower heating unit is centered and the bottom part of the oven can be closed off by a sliding inner door. With this arrangement you can bake in the bottom of the oven and broil in the top, leaving the oven door ajar. Or you can use both sections for baking foods which require different temperatures—in this case keeping the oven door closed. Separate switches control the units.

### WHAT ARE "ECONOMY" OVENS?

One model permits you to save electricity by heating only the upper part of the oven for small jobs like baking potatoes. You just center the lower heating unit instead of using it on the bottom of the oven.

### IS THE AUTOMATIC CLOCK WORTH THE ADDITIONAL COST?

The time which an automatic clock will save you is well worth its cost. When the clock is set for automatic operation, it turns the oven heating elements on and off. On deluxe models, the automatic clock is also connected to the deep-well cooker unit or another surface unit. A convenience outlet invites you to plug in your electric coffee maker, or your mixing unit, or other small appliances.

### WHAT SAFETY FEATURES ARE NECESSARY?

All reputable ranges are inspected and approved by the Underwriter's Laboratories for fire and casualty hazards, and must comply with rigid standards. Look for this label—don't buy without it.

The non-tilt and safety stop of oven and broiler racks are a safety feature to look for. One manufacturer

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## Electric Range

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has a safety switch which makes it impossible for anyone to turn it on when it's set at "off."

### WHAT ABOUT COLOR?

At this writing, all electric ranges are white, though there are some with colored trim. If you want to color the whole range, take it to an automobile spray shop.

### WHAT GUARANTEES AND SERVICE SHOULD BE DEMANDED?

Reliable manufacturers have a five-year warranty on the units and one year, the first year, includes "unconditional" guarantee on the complete range.

Electric ranges are simple to operate, but insist upon a post-sale demonstration to learn how to operate it efficiently. Also, you'll save yourself many service calls by knowing such how-to-do-its as replacing fuses which control signal lights, light, timer.

### ELECTRIC RANGE FEATURES:

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**Minute-timer** is a reminder; times cooking processes to 60 minutes or 4 to 5 hours.

**Convenience outlet** provides use of small appliances right at the range. Some of the outlets are automatically controlled.

**Glass panel in oven door** allows you to see what's cooking.

**Oven light** goes on when oven door is opened or by flip of a switch on glass-door oven models.

**Barbecue unit** is standard on one manufacturer's range, and an accessory on others. Spit rotates; produces honest-to-goodness barbecued foods.

**Warming drawers** keep food and dishes warm. Some have auxiliary heating units while others are heated by reflected heat from top units.

**Griddles** are on deluxe models—for cakes, bacon, hamburgers.

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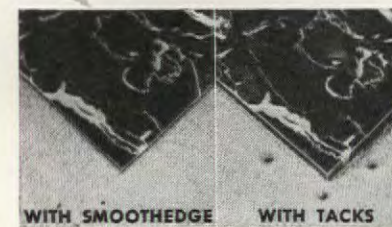
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## Very Good Fish Story

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But it is the excellent living room, bedroom and bath built into the hatchery which make life in this house so inviting. The roof, mostly glass for the sake of the fish, is now solid shingle, and a ceiling of hardboard was put under the rafters. After tanks and equipment to heat them were out, a good wooden floor was laid over the original concrete, and interior walls were lined with plywood paneling. A fireplace was built, and the lake side was treated to glass: two picture windows, each flanked by smaller regulation windows, plus a center door opening out to the terrace, not far from the swimming "hole." With its exterior painted barn red with white trim, and with such nice touches as a post lantern and whitewashed-brick planting boxes to grace it, this house seems most happy in its lovely sylvan setting.



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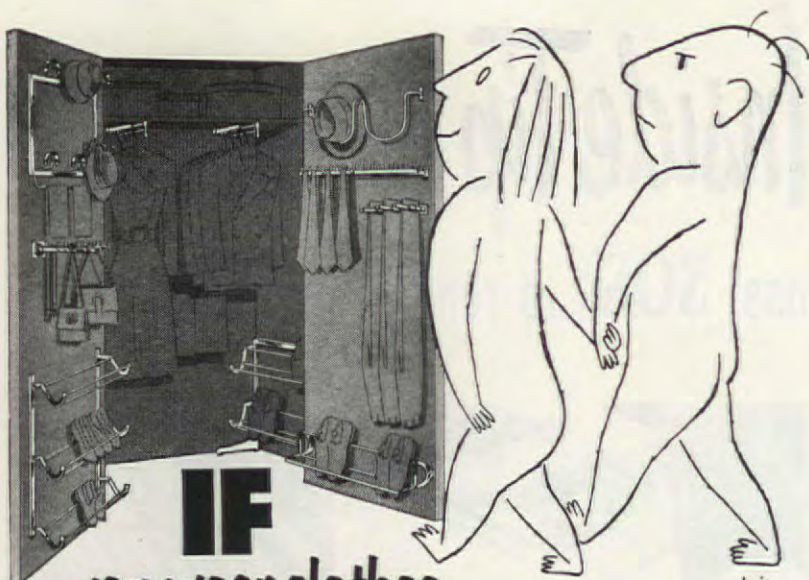
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1. Pick flowers at, or just before they reach their

## Summer Flowers

peak of bloom. The moment they pass it, they begin to die. Do not try to preserve flowers that have been touched by spring or fall frosts; cold injury shows up in a browning of the petals.

2. As one function of the borax is to prevent the decomposition of organic matter caused by bacterial or fungous action, you must work quickly. Have all your materials ready before you cut your flowers. Preferably, gather only a few at a time,

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*It's as easy as this:*

To prevent flowers' wilting, don't pick them until materials are assembled, viz., borax, small, air-tight plastic (freezer) bags, cardboard box, soft string, florists' wire, shears. Keep them out of light and, preferably, out of water. 1. Put an inch of borax in bag. 2. Cut flower stem short and make a new one by running wire through swollen part (receptacle) at base of flower, then bending down both ends and twisting one around the other. 3. Place flower face down on borax and gently cover it with more to depth of at least an inch; add another blossom and more borax, and repeat until bag is comfortably full. 4. Gently squeeze air out of bag, gather top together, and tie; place bag or bags in box, cover, note date, put away in dry place for at least three weeks. 5. At end of drying period, take bag from box and open carefully; gently spoon out borax until near top bloom; remove it carefully with fingers and dust off borax, using tuft of cotton if necessary. Use flowers to make arrangement—wrapping wire "stem" with green tape or pliofilm—or put them away protected from dust until needed

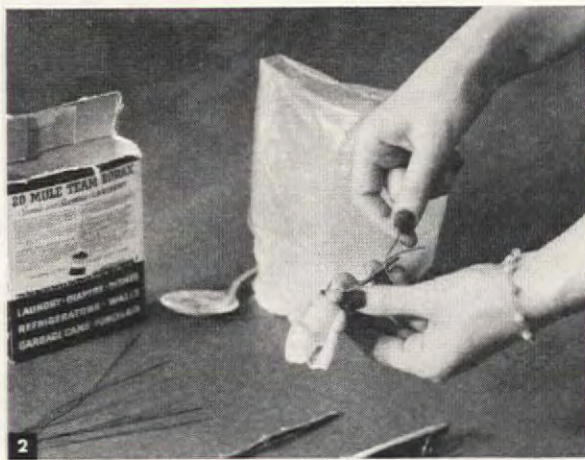




A few of the author's spring flowers, which she specially processed, carefully packed, and mailed to us to be photographed in our studio. Then they were used in making the arrangement illustrated below

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## Marble Glass

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Cow butter dish is rare example of English Marble glass. Cover shows cow sitting in field of flowers. Underside of dish itself is done in elaborate rococo style. Many English and American pieces have beautifully executed flower designs in raised effect



Choice open compote set on graceful stem. Jeweled or beaded dots decorate scalloped rim. Small cream pitcher with sturdy handle, fluted panels, useful for flower holder as well as cream



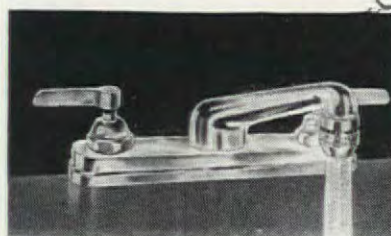
Old-fashioned cake stand delicately shaded from deep purple to violet, pink, white. Footed gypsy kettle with small handles, ribbed sides, plain rim. Dainty basket, also ribbed, is stamped with English mark



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Small open compote on low stem has fluted lining. The decorative quality of its coloring and form makes it a perfect piece for use as candy or fruit dish, as well as a display piece for small table



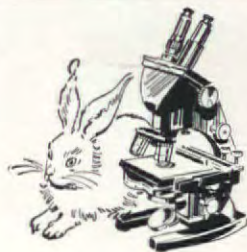
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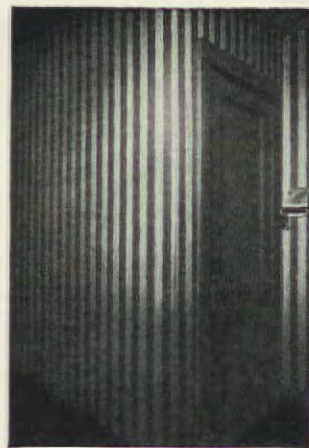
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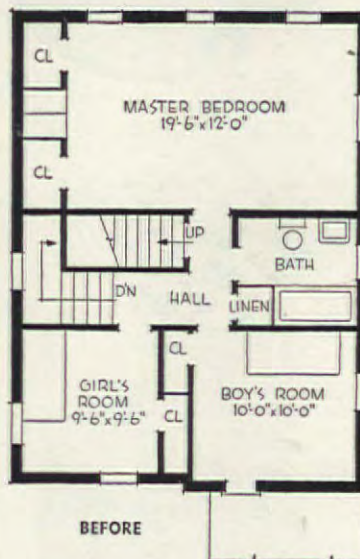


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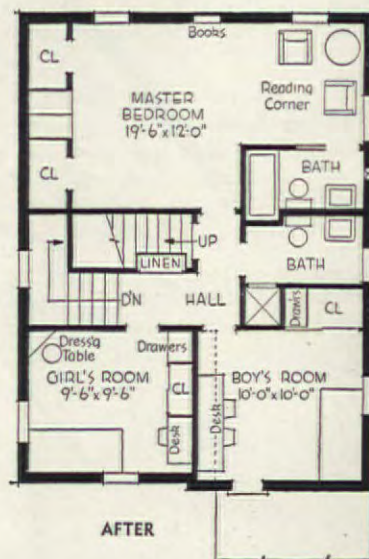
**NEW LINEN CLOSET** fits trimly into a formerly wasted space under the attic stairway (stairs are behind full-length door seen in both pictures). Building new closet enabled owners to turn old linen closet into shower for the additional bathroom

## HOW TO Get More

If you're cramped for space (who isn't?), look critically at every blank wall in the house—and put it to work! Unused walls, like those in the typical house you see in these “before,” are an old, sad story in crowded quarters. Here, there was only one bath, there was no space for study in the children's tiny rooms, and the unsightly ironing board nestled in plain sight. No more! A second bath was eased into the long master bedroom at no great sacrifice, for the room is easier to furnish, and much more cozy now that they've closed up the center window and built an attractive reading nook at one end. In the children's rooms, the transformation was remarkable. The bank of closets between them was torn out, and the space was used for the clever built-in we show in the girl's room. The boy was given a good closet with built-in drawers—in the space once occupied by the bathtub. And in his room, too, is the excellent study-plus-storage wall which occupies no more floor space than the dinky little chest once hogged. Everything is tidy—and family life is blissful now that everyone has a private den, a little world of his own, in his room.



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**“DO NOTHING” WALLS WENT TO WORK.** Remodeling increased usefulness of small bedrooms without reducing their size. Space for second bath came from master bedroom, but there is still ample room for furniture—and narrow part, formerly bare, is now a reading corner



BEFORE

GIRL'S ROOM

AFTER



A ROOM IN ITSELF, excellent built-in at right clears the floor of small room by providing study nook plus beautifully organized storage, which encourages neatness. How much better it is than the typical wasted wall (above) it replaced!

# from Your Walls

JESSIE WALKER  
Decorator: Bert Curtin



BEFORE

BOY'S ROOM

AFTER



BLANK WALL above backed up old linen closet and bathtub. In building second bath, linen closet became shower, and space occupied by tub was turned into a good storage wall. Pin-ups are no problem—that cork panel takes a whole gallery of them!

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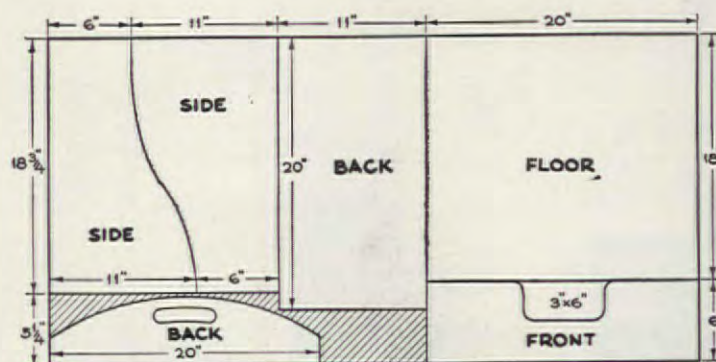
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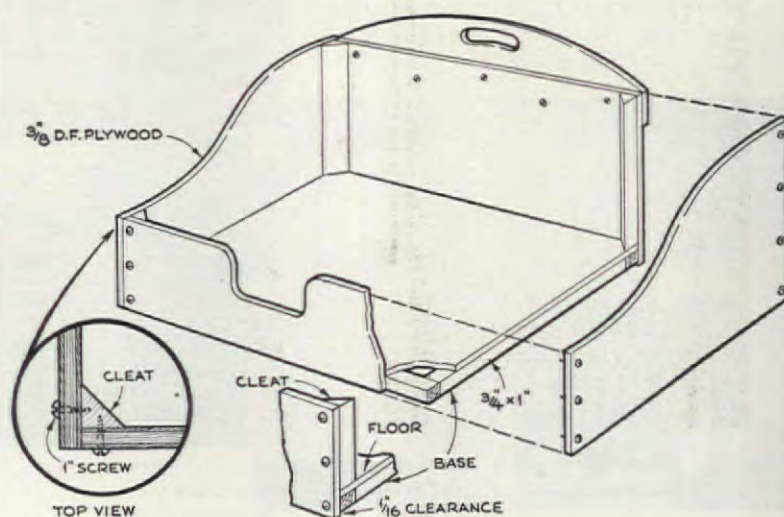
A bed of his own  
is a boon to a dog—  
and it's a great  
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Data from Arthur Fishelle

If Rex always seems to be curling himself up on your newly upholstered furniture, did you ever stop to think that maybe he does so only because you haven't provided him with a cozy bed of his own? The sides and backs of upholstered pieces shelter him as comfortably as they shelter you—and he doesn't like drafts either. Such a bed as the one which we show here will keep him snug as can be. Make it, teach your dog that *that's* the place for his naps, and you'll both be happier.

You'll need one piece of  $\frac{3}{8}$ " plywood measuring 2' x 4', plus cleats ripped from strong 2" x 2" hardwood stock. First, outline the parts of the bed on the plywood panel, following the diagram above. Then saw along the lines, and assemble the bed as shown in the diagram below. Install cleats along the bottom of the bed to support its floor. Then join corners with triangular cleats fastened with screws and glue. Screw handle onto back piece. Stain and paint as desired. You can make the cushion of foam rubber to fit, and cover it in a sturdy, thoroughly washable fabric such as canvas or denim.



## Hardest Decision (Begins on page 42)

In the country, you don't have to dedicate special "hours with the children." It is taken for granted that both generations will enjoy fishing, and walking, and working together



a master list of staples. And since we have a home freezer, I shop for food only once a week. It's easier on the budget, too.

But our greatest joy has been discovering that country living beats city life by far. We have such a good time with the children. We used to do things *for* them, but now we all do things together—we swim and skate, fish and hike, garden and shop. We share almost everything we do with them—and it's fun, not a chore. Our own delight in outdoor life has grown. We see the first robin and the white lace of the first snow. We live in rhythm with the seasons, and enjoy beauty you only dream about in town.

Best of all is our feeling of belonging, of having a real place in our community—as we never did in New York. In the country we're not only close to our neighbors' pleasures and problems, but we have responsibility. Last year, my husband was elected to the Town Council, and he's now deep in its work. I am active in PTA, and on the Board of the local girls' club. We find our own, and each other's activities absorbing—and we're glad that we didn't miss them.

We had problems, of course. One was what to do with four-year-old Gay when five-year-old Karen started school. There was no nursery school—but there were neighboring four-year-olds, so we formed our own group and pooled our equipment. Each mother called for, and took care of, the youngsters one morning a week. One mother was talented in handcrafts, another told wonderful stories, a third helped the children to plant individual gardens, a fourth gave dancing lessons. We had the only piano, so they sang when they came to our house. The next year the five little girls went together to kindergarten and their teacher claims that they led the class in group adjustment and skills. No nursery school could have accomplished more.

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The pond is a year-round source of pleasure for boating, swimming, fishing, good skating in winter—or for the fine outlook its calm beauty affords to many rooms in the house

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In a barn of a house by a pond, entertaining is no chore. Friends come up for the day with their youngsters, meals are casual, everyone has fun

## Hardest Decision

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Another early worry was about the local school, but now those fears seem foolish. The principal and teachers are not only excellent, but they are our neighbors and friends as well. Each parent takes his problem to the School Board or the teacher, each citizen has a real voice in the management of the school. It is true that rural school budgets are small—there may not be funds for art and music teachers. But this lack, I think, becomes a family advantage. What is more rewarding than introducing your own child to the pleasures of painting or singing, or than showing them the miracle of spring in the woods? And you learn, yourself, as you go along.

We don't consider ourselves crusaders, my husband and I. Our metamorphosis from entrenched city-dwelling to enthusiastic country living may be of interest only to us. But we've found our rural life so rewarding that we want to share it. Perhaps you might like it, too.



Transformation was made in nine and a half months by a carpenter and three members of the family who worked at it week ends



Cozy, yet big as a barn, the living room has space for good features seldom found in town



## How to Make a Back-yard Golf Course

The home country-club  
we show here cost its owners exactly \$5

**RUTH CLOVER**

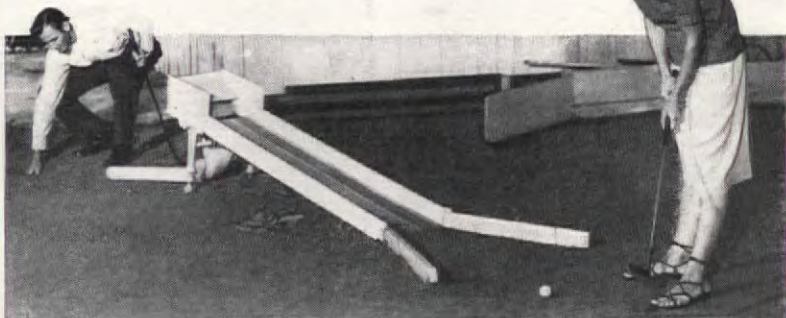
If you are tired of badminton, croquet, and table tennis and seek some other outdoor game to keep the family happy at home, and to provide entertainment for visiting friends and neighbors of all ages, lay out a miniature golf course in your back yard—like the one which we show here, designed and built by Mr. and Mrs. George Hoyt of Santa Monica, Calif.

The seven-hole course of the "Hoyts' Hummingbird Hill Country Club" (as the score board is labeled) occupies a 34 by 44-foot plot of ground beneath a natural canopy formed by the branches of three huge avocado trees. Using scrap materials, they made it for less than five dollars. Anyone can, of course, include more or fewer holes and modify the plan the Hoyts followed to fit the dimensions and contour of any back-yard area. Incidentally, this can lead to the improvement of many a back yard that is now a catchall and eyesore.

When the Hoyts retired, after 26 years in the restaurant business, they still knew how to enjoy themselves. So they hit upon the golf course idea, and what began as a little something for their own amusement developed into a game that intrigues both players and watchers. (Mrs. Hoyt reports once having played a match with her husband at 2 A.M. of a beautiful summer night!)

First they cleared the ground, located the seven holes, and, for each one, sank a one-pound coffee can so its rim was just below the surface when the soil was moistened, pressed, and shaped to provide a smooth entrance for the ball. Behind each hole they set angled boards 3 or 4 in. high and held in place with stakes.

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The Hole 1 hazard—made of an old table top, the sound box from a discarded Victrola, wood scraps, a piece of stove pipe—is a work of art



*even Fred was surprised*

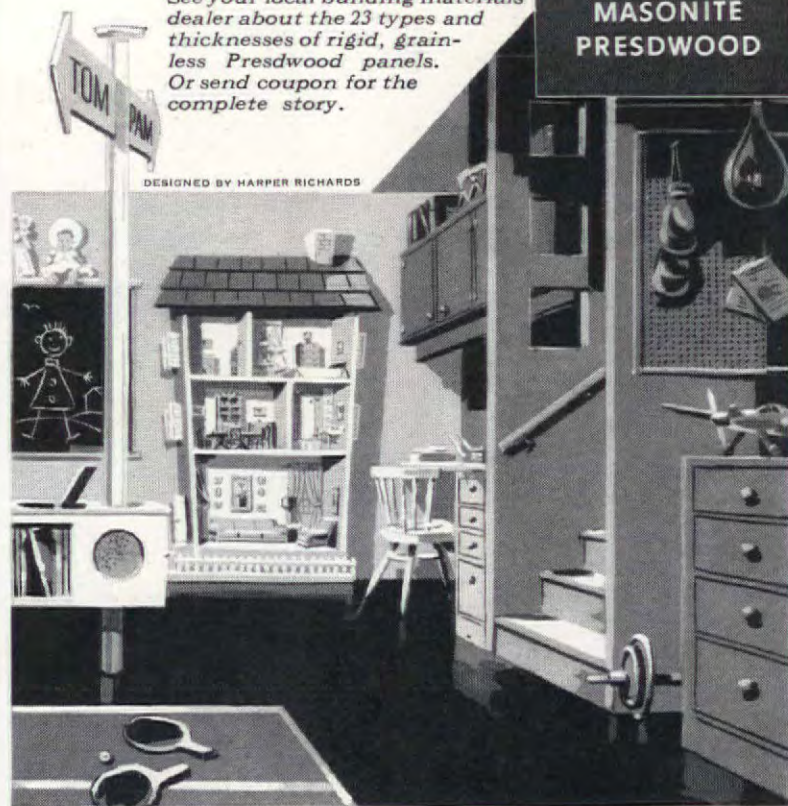
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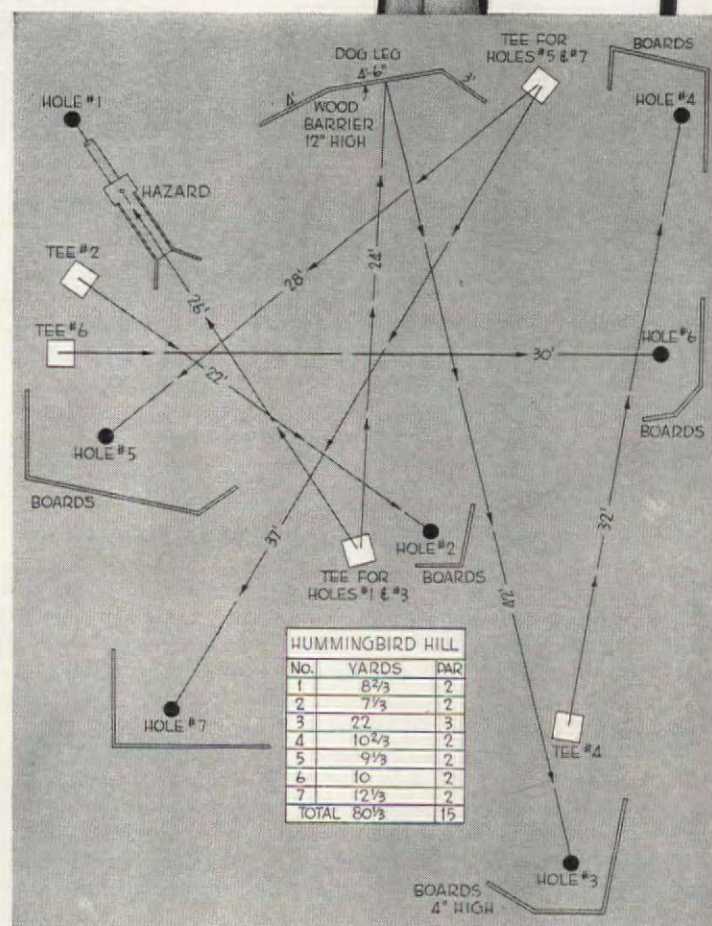
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## Back-yard Golf Course

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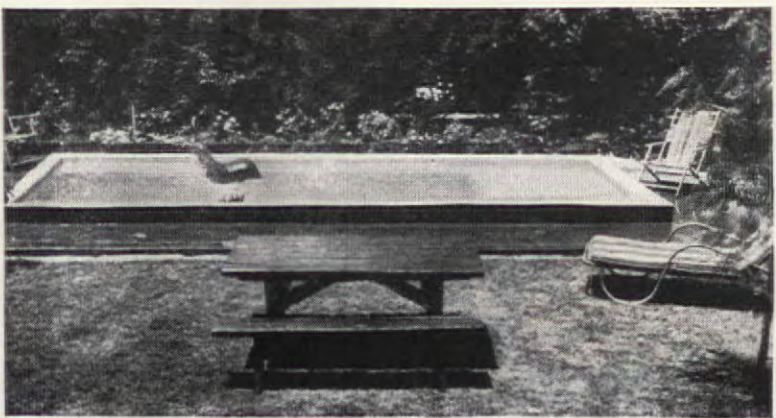


The Hummingbird Hill course shows careful planning. Make use of existing features (trees, pools, etc.) and place angled backboards behind the holes to keep the balls within bounds

to keep a ball from rolling to an unplayable lie and to bounce it back toward the hole—if one plays it right. The board behind the dog-leg in Hole 3 is about a foot high, so a good drive (of 24 ft.!) can be played off it. The hazard at Hole 1 is a work of art made of wood scraps, an old table top, the metal sound box from an old Victrola, plus a piece of stove pipe from which the ball rolls to the hole after traversing the rest of the contraption. Tees are squares of old stair carpet; the hole markers have large black-on-white numbers, and six 100-watt bulbs in strategic positions illuminate night games. Putters are the only clubs used (six cost \$1.50 at a local variety store), and the most inexpensive balls can be used. Almost any number can play, but foursomes are most popular.

To duplicate the Hummingbird Hill course you will need: Seven bottomless tin cans; six scraps of carpet (Holes 1 and 3 use the same tee); scrap lumber; an old blackboard, and a little paint.

It's well to put the holes around the edge of the yard where you don't ordinarily walk. Let the children help make the course as well as use it. Search attic and garage for interesting obstacles and hazards; a little bridge could be built over a path or a fish-pool water hazard. Don't make the course too easy by leveling all uneven spots, but don't make it so stiff it becomes discouraging. With a little effort and ingenuity you can lay out one that will provide undreamed-of enjoyment, exercise, and good fellowship.



# Stop Dreaming Start Digging

EVELYN N. HINES

Have you a swimming pool in your dreams, but not in your budget? Then get out that shovel and dig your own—for \$200. That's all ours cost, and it has added at least \$1,000 to the value of our property, to say nothing of the enjoyment it has given us for more than half the year. Of course, when our children spread the news that we were building it, back came the usual swimming pool bugaboos from the neighbors. Example: "Our water bill is sure gonna be high now, isn't it, Daddy?" . . . "Oh no, it shouldn't be any higher because, whenever we refill the pool, we'll pump the old water out onto the lawn and save that much watering."

Or, "Our electric bill will sure be big running that electric pump, won't it?" . . . "Why no, son. That motor isn't any bigger than your head; it won't cost much to run now and then." . . . "But our taxes will go 'way up, won't they, Daddy?" . . . And so it went. Well, we're not in the idle rich set, but we are eager beavers. And now we have our own pool.

First we staked out the size pool we had in mind—4 ft. wide by 9 ft. long. Then someone asked how much more it would cost if it were 8 ft. wide instead of 4. When that was figured out, the comment was, "Well then, suppose we make it 12 ft. long instead of 9?" Well, we finally stopped at 8 ft. by 22 ft. by 4 ft. deep—which would be enough for a shallow dive, yet not too deep for the children's safety. Our first problem—what to do with the mountain of dirt that came out of the hole—needn't have worried us, for after we had used the good topsoil in making some raised flower beds in front of our redwood fence, the neighbors began arguing about who was "next" on each wheelbarrow load of the rest. They all wanted it for "filling in."

At 3½ ft. deep, we hit what is known here in Arizona as "caliche"—a kind of soil that is almost as hard as rock—and made a momentous decision. The sides of the pool, we decreed, should extend a foot above the ground. (This saved digging; a raised edge would keep leaves and grass from blowing in, and, in emptying the pool as described below, the pump wouldn't have to lift the water quite so far.) We sloped the bottom just enough to drain to one end, and in one corner we dug so as to form three steps and, beside them, a ledge. The ledge was really an afterthought that came one very hot day when the diggers were tired out. Again we rationalized our action by saying that it would be nice to sit on the ledge in the shallow water, or to put a bridge table on it so we could dangle our feet in the water as we played. If we were to do it again, we'd leave out the ledge and slope the bottom from 3 ft. deep at one end to 4 ft.

When the digging was done (and several cases of "Cokes" were consumed), we installed a drainpipe at the deepest point of the lower end and extended a 1-in. pipe to the nearby workshop where we set up the electric motor and centrifugal pump with

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## Stop Dreaming— Start Digging

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a hose attachment on the far side. We were then ready for the first forms and the concrete. For a 6-in. thick bottom and the steps, which we poured first, we had ordered three yards of ready-mix concrete with waterproofing added. Somehow we had overestimated, and we had to work like mad setting up forms for a couple of house door stoops which we were glad to get, but hadn't planned to make so soon. This taught us the need of being fully prepared before ordering delivery of concrete. And a word of caution: Keep the dog and the kids indoors until the cement sets! Our pup sank up to his knees in it, then dashed in through an open door and tracked the stuff all over the living room!

Floating and troweling the bottom is easy if you don't mind wading in the wet cement. When the bottom had set slightly, we troweled it smooth, but not slick enough to cause people to slip on it. In a few days it had set enough for us to start work on the side forms, but we had to wait two weeks more before we could actually pour the sides. A major cost is for the lumber for the forms. Sometimes you can rent forms ready made. We couldn't, but after collecting considerable scrap lumber around the neighborhood, we bought the rest from a wrecking concern which agreed to buy back any that was still usable. It cost us less than a third of what new lumber would have cost.

We cannot emphasize too strongly the importance of bracing the side forms solidly with plenty of four-by-fours. When you are sure that every spot is substantially braced, add another brace or two for extra security. Four cubic yards of cement weigh more than four tons and exert a lot of pressure.

When the cement pours in and you see your forms begin to bulge, it's heartrending to realize that there's nothing you can do about it.

It took four yards of cement for the walls and a 5-in. ledge around the top. During the pouring, we threw in some old bed springs and other metal junk to reinforce the reinforcing rods already in place. After the sides had set, but while the cement was still damp and could be troweled, we pulled off the forms. Then we used patching cement to smooth off the corners and fill any small air holes we discovered and the space where bottom and sides met.

We bought the best pool paint available, and it took one gallon to cover the entire pool, one coat. Again, profit from our experience and decide on the color you are going to use *before* going ahead with the job! In our case, Mrs. wanted green (to match her color scheme). Mr. wanted blue because, as he said, "Whoever heard of a green pool?"

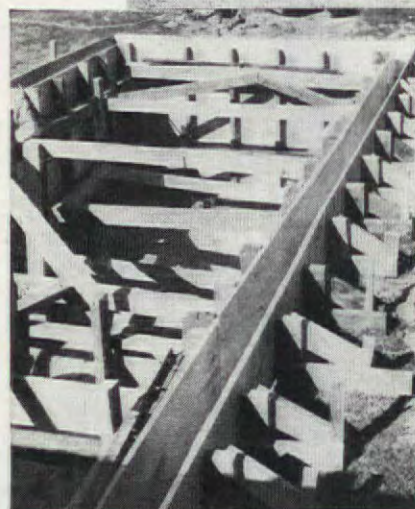
Well, we painted ours green—and it was a perfect match for the bilious hue of a disgusted husband! So then we painted it blue, after all. Thus we gave it two coats, although one is supposed to be ample.

Another yard of cement was ordered for a walk around the pool, and when that, too, was painted, we surveyed our project with pride. The first spadeful of dirt was dug on Washington's Birthday. All the work was done in the evenings and on week ends—and the first dive was taken May 1st. At that time, neither of our children (ages five and eight) could swim a stroke, but a month later they could both swim the length of the pool and had completely overcome their original fear of the water. That progress alone was worth the money (itemized below) and effort that went into the job, but we could list a dozen more reasons why you, too, should get out that shovel and start digging.

The cost of the materials used was:	
16 5/8" steel reinforcing rods	\$ 12.00
Drain and plumbing fixtures	15.00
Centrifugal pump	19.00
Used 1/4 H.P. motor	15.00
8 yards ready-mix cement	96.00
Lumber for forms	30.00
Paint, gallon rate	12.00
Total cost	\$199.00



Excavation finished, steel reinforcing rods, bent by hand, were held in place with heavy wire forced into the ground to anchor it firmly



Forms can be made of scrap lumber, but must be sturdy and well braced on both sides. Below ground level, dirt walls serve as outer form; above that, provide plenty of reinforcement

After forms were removed, the cement was (gladly) kept wet for a week while it cured. Note steps, ledge, and 1-foot high side walls—a good detail



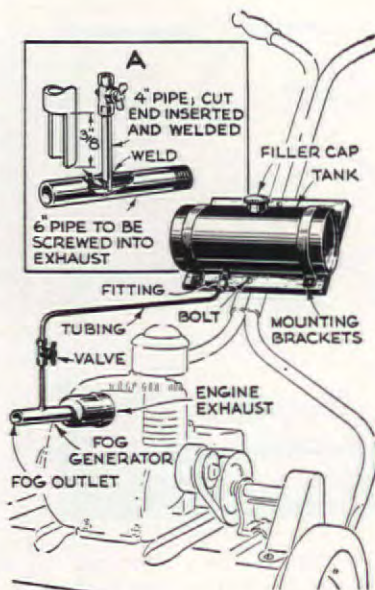
# Summer Strategy

## How to Beat the Biters

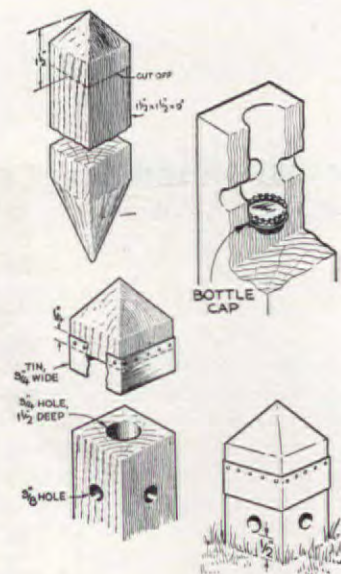


Home-grown mosquitoes are a major nuisance. But in widespread Jefferson County, Texas, site of the first organized Gulf Coast mosquito-control campaign, homeowners are taking an active part, draining or spraying with oil breeding places where water stands for days.

Another popular measure is the use of homemade, insecticidal fog generators to be attached to 4-cycle, gas-driven lawn mowers and operated by their exhausts. Costing only about \$4.00, they spread a mist of a DDT solution (made according to directions on the package) that rids back yards and gardens of adult mosquitoes for hours at a time—plenty long enough for garden festivities. To make one: Thread one end of 6" piece of pipe to fit mower exhaust. Thread one end of 4" piece of smaller pipe; split other end for about 1/2"; cut off half; insert in hole bored in 6" pipe until it extends three quarters through, with open side toward outlet; weld it there (see "A"). Screw 6" pipe into exhaust. Attach a valve to 4" pipe and connect valve with a 1-qt. or larger tank, using 1/4" copper tubing. Mount tank on board and bolt this to the mower handle as shown.—RALPH RAMOS



## How to keep Ants from your Plants



For the past two years I have rid my lawn and garden of ants by using simple but effective homemade devices like that pictured here. I make them of any soft wood by sawing a 1 1/2 x 1 1/2-in. stick into 9-in. lengths, pointing the bottom, and beveling the top of each piece (1). Then I saw off the upper 1 1/2 in., nail a 3/4-in.-wide strip of tin around the bottom of it so it forms a cover, bore a 3/4-in. hole 1 1/2 in. deep in the lower piece, and, from each side, 1 in. down, bore a 3/8-in. hole in to meet the vertical one (2). In the bottom of the center hole, I put an inverted bottle cap (3). After painting the stakes an inconspicuous green, I set them wherever the ants

are numerous, driving them into the ground until the side holes are about half an inch above it (4). Every few weeks I lift the covers and pour ant-poison syrup into the bottle caps where it is protected from rain and out of reach of pets, etc. But ants, I find, will travel twenty feet or more to get it.—ROY D. HOVERSTICK

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To "cool" this warm expanse of color, Douglas recommended a clear bright green for the carpet—a green that is technically related to the yellow since it is made up of equal parts of yellow and blue. Psychologically, too, it is a wise choice, since green is always associated with serenity and dignity. The sofa and four upholstered chairs (not seen in the photograph) are upholstered in a fabric that ties in with the carpet—a fresh, green leaf pattern on white.

Ordinarily, the combination of brilliant red, yellow, and green in such bold quantities could result in a staggering hodge-podge of a room. The true success of this room depends upon the careful relationship of the many elements, each to the other. Ceiling, walls, draperies, two chairs—all exactly the same color. Carpet, sofa, four chairs in the second color, plus white. The touch of seasoning—the flash of paprika red on two chairs.

## Good Victuals

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crushed nuts, deep fat fried a delicate golden brown, served hot. Make on terrace, over barbecue, or pre-make and reheat—though not so good, naturally, as fresh out of the frying pan. Another "Ooh I shouldn't But—" sort of thing. Lastly, water chestnuts from a can, ringed round with a strip of bacon and broiled. Crunchy, sure to win plaudits from the male side. Now don't ask me which of the three is best. They are all perfectly elegant and quite distinguished hot hors d'oeuvres that every gal in your group doesn't already know about. And so for another month—my friends—have fun cooking.

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The kitchen is dream stuff too, all knotty pine and wallpaper—and it doesn't miss a trick. Nancy sees the view while she works, for they cornered the sink under two windows. A Dutch door connects the kitchen with a small rear terrace which is convenient both for outdoor meals and for Cynthia's hi-jinks.

The master bedroom downstairs has a pair of big pine closets flanking one window, and a built-in dressing table nests neatly between them. Cynthia's room, well insulated and cozy, is upstairs.

When they got that much finished, the Blakes started to take it easy, but work on this house still goes on. Sumner is now building a second bedroom upstairs, and pretty soon he'll clear out the carport and close it in from the garden side.

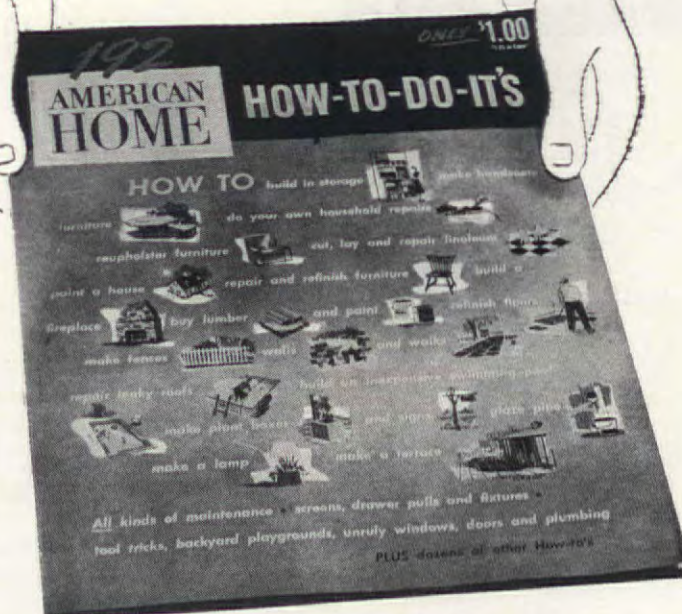
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Nancy's largest solo contributions were the complete paint job, inside and out, plus the landscaping.

Did a gimmick make this all possible? In most such stories, the husband is an engineer, or the wife's father is an architect or contractor, or some other unusual circumstance makes house-building easier than it would be for most of us. Not so in this case. The Blakes *did* have a friend who advised them on some of the plumbing, and they were able to get a good "buy" on a heater—but even without these two "breaks," designing and building this house for themselves would have cost little more.

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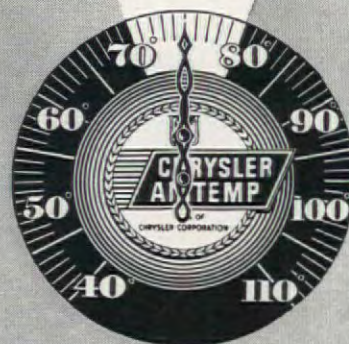
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Probably the only hens they had ever seen before had been bought already dressed. Sally, four, and Bob, six, live in a huge city on the Canadian border. They came to visit us at the southern tip of sunny Oklahoma. I had a few hens. One of them was broody.

While Grandad was putting up swings, making a playhouse under the mulberry tree by the parsonage, and buying a foolish amount of little toys to entertain them, a great idea struck me: I'd set a hen and let her hatch the day they arrived!

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Yes, undoubtedly, the most precious moments of my childhood were tied up with the young fowls on the farm. Bob and Sally should see chickens hatch!

The children arrived in the forenoon. I knew several eggs were pipped that morning, early. By two in the afternoon Bob and I went to investigate the eggs. The very fact that

Bob found out he could touch and stroke the old hen and she wouldn't run away, was a revelation to him. As she scolded and ruffed her feathers, he laughed wildly. Searching under, I pulled out a half-hatched egg. Instantly Bob got quiet. His eyes grew large with all the wonderment of life. The chick made a sound and the egg moved in my hand. The upper shell was chipped all the way around but the white skin egg lining was only partly perforated. From the chick's movements I knew Mother Nature was telling it, "Tear along this line!"

"It's ready to come out of the shell now, Bob," I said. He sucked in a whistling intake of air and whispered, "Oh, Gramma, hold it in. Don't let it hatch till I run get Sally!"

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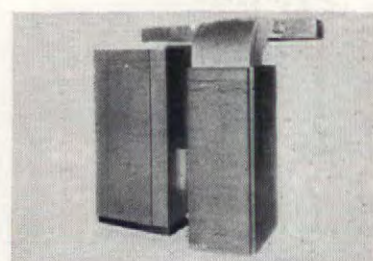


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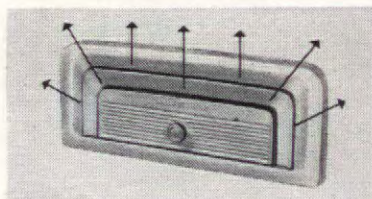
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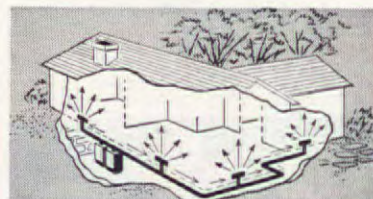
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## Summer Flowers

(Begins on page 74)

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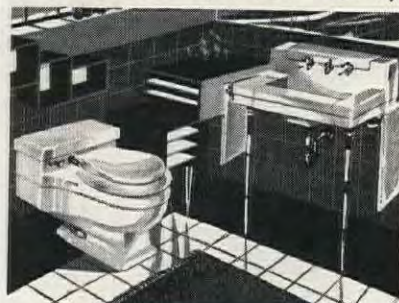
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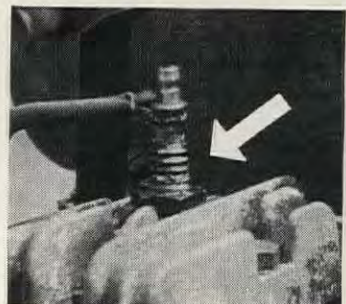
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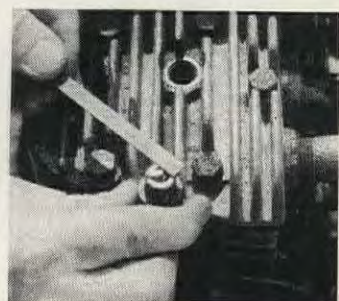
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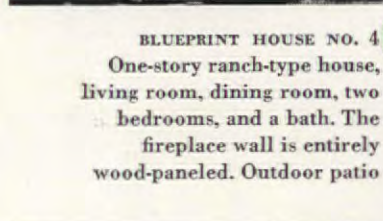
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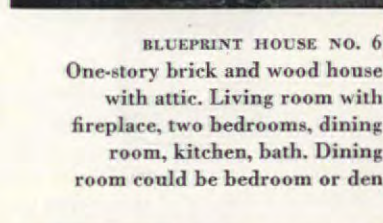
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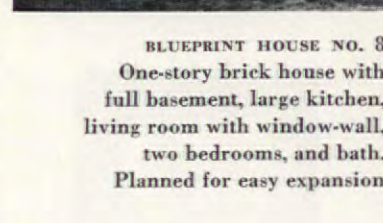
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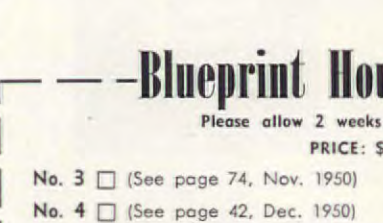
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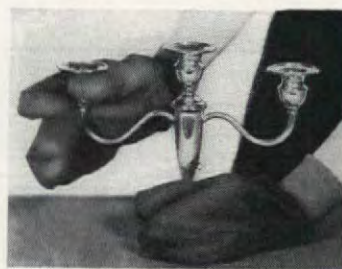
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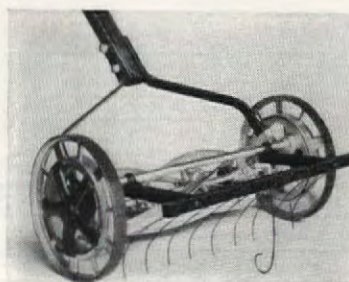
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"A powder room would be nice," she sighed, "but do you know how much it costs these days?"

I admitted that I didn't have the faintest idea.

"Well, it's more than we can afford. Anyway, Bruce figured out an L-shaped partition that will give everyone a little privacy." Jane drew a rough sketch to show me how they planned to divide the room into separate areas.

"Bruce hates to have females peering over his shoulder when he's shaving," Jane explained, "so we're putting a dressing table and extra mirror on the other side of the partition for the girls."

I had only one fear—that the partition would make a small room look awfully cut up. I mentioned it to Jane.

"Mr. Saunders at the linoleum store solved that problem," she said.



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I didn't see Jane again until her housewarming. I arrived early, and she knew why.

"I'll give you a special preview," she said, swinging open the bathroom door. "How do you like it?"

I just stood there openmouthed. The room was perfectly stunning, and it didn't have the slightest family-bath look about it. Jane had made the dressing table the center of atten-

tion, and you hardly noticed the rest of the fixtures. The color scheme was wonderfully simple... she just picked up the colors from her Strypelle floor and added a few bright accents.

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After the party I stayed to ask Jane how everyone liked her bathroom.

"Frankly," Jane said, "no one mentioned it—but they did say they liked my powder room." Then she started to smile. "It looks as if Bruce and I have one after all."

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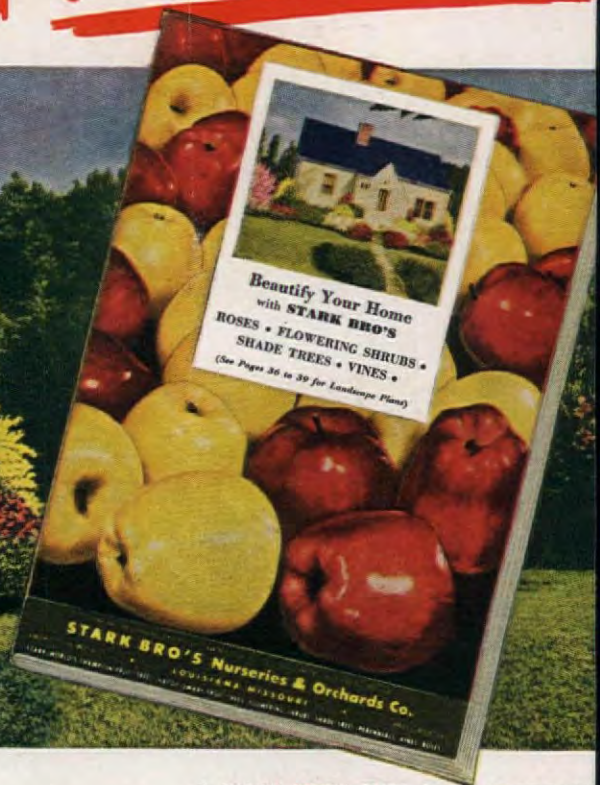
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