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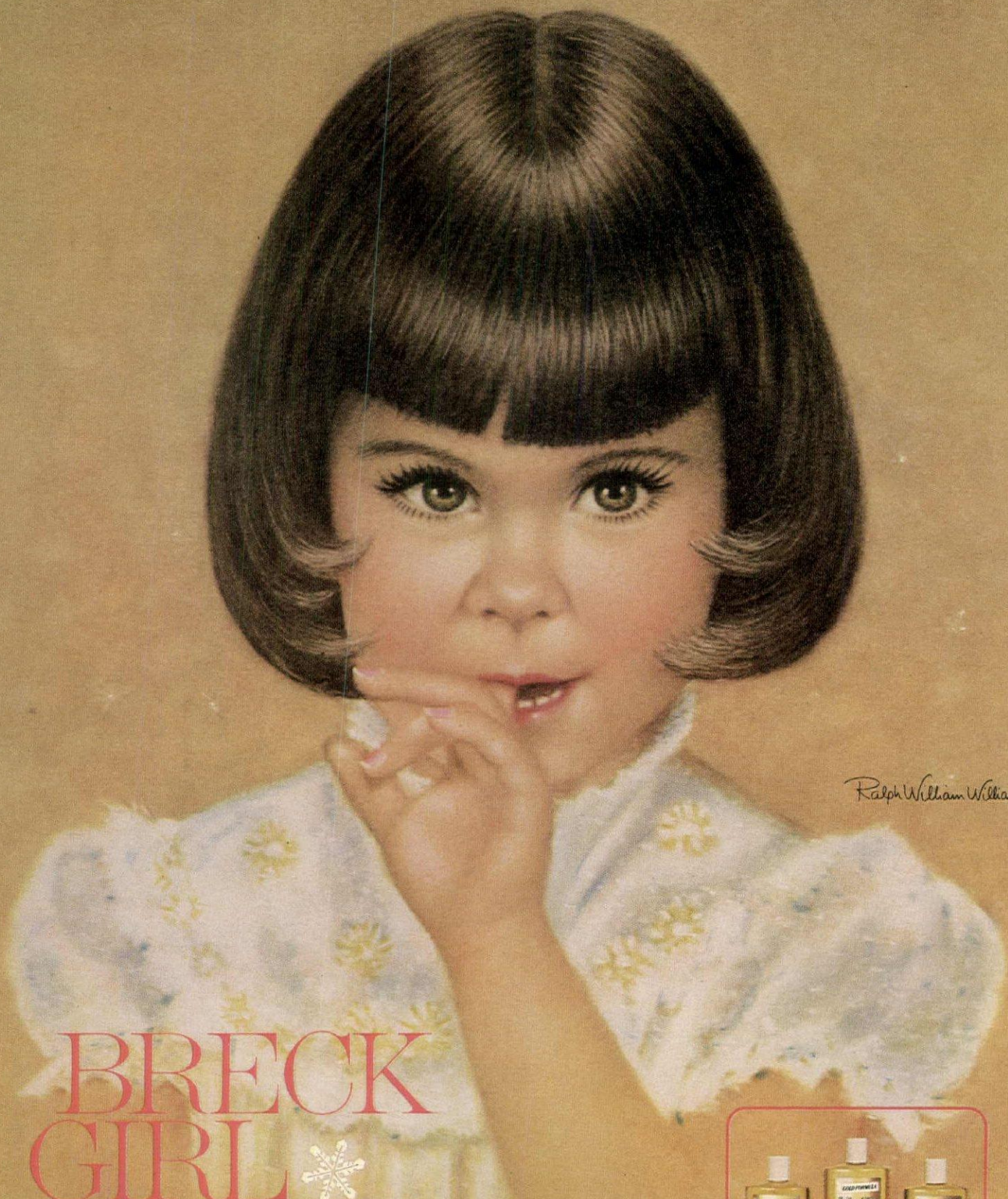
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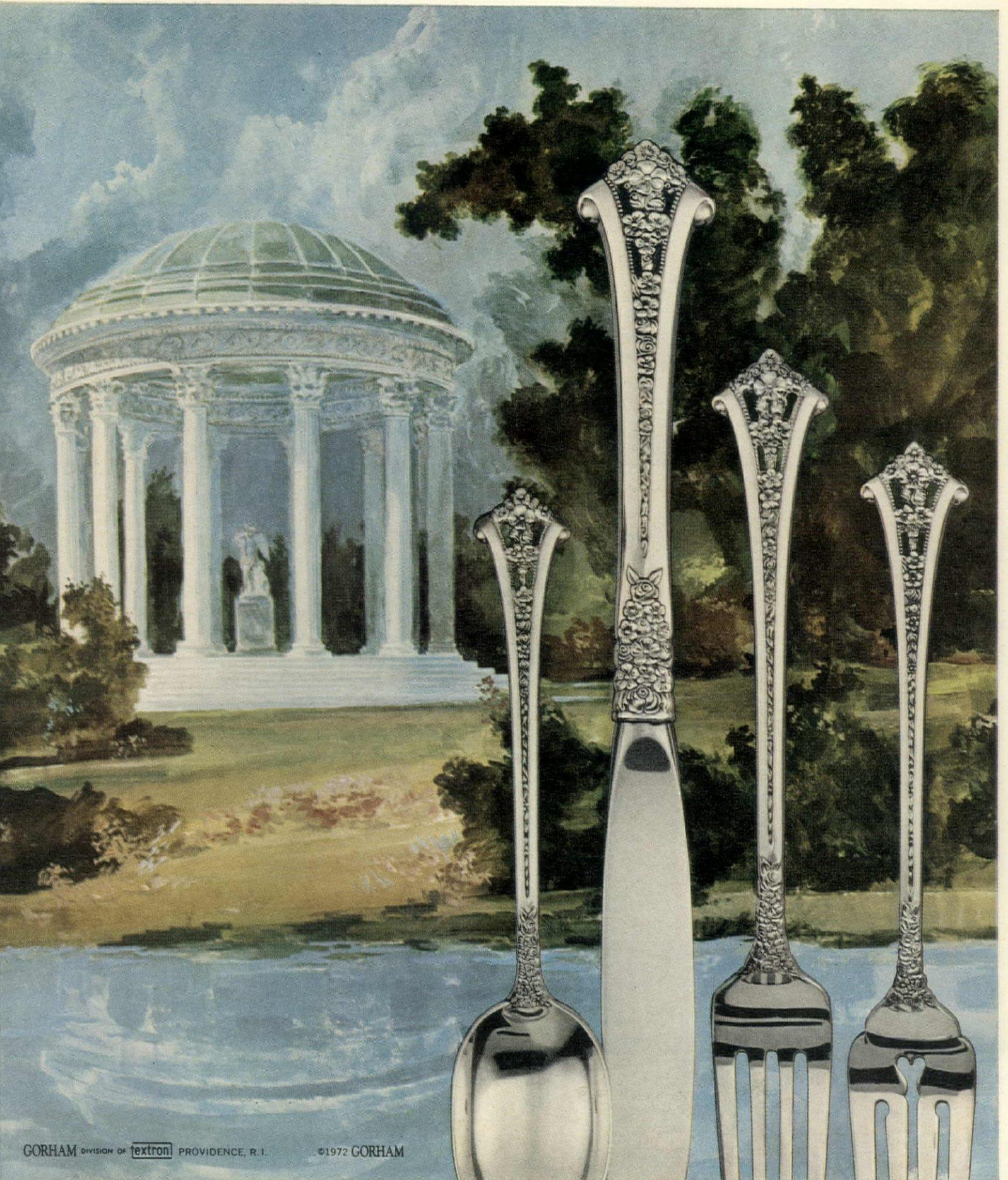
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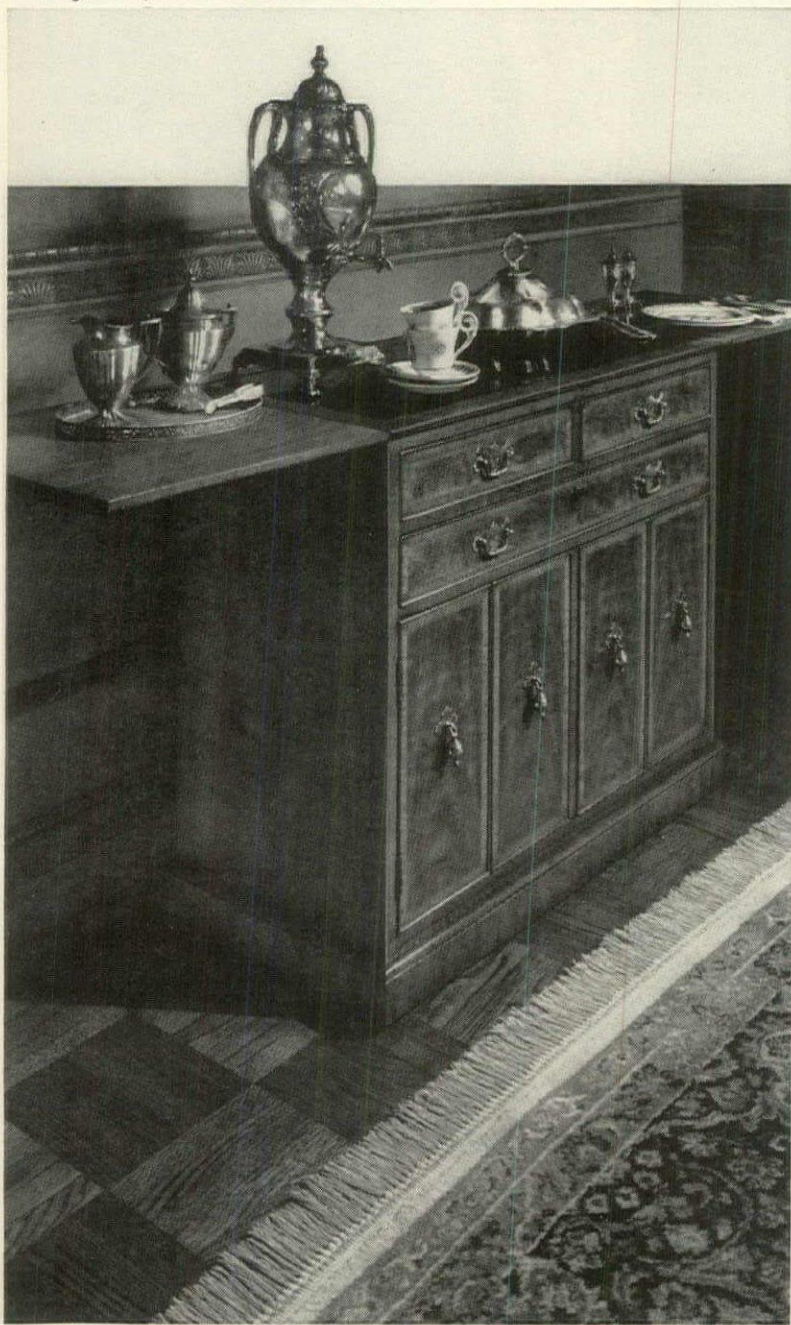


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The magic of materials and texture

By Billy Baldwin

The hardest thing about picking out just the right materials for your rooms is making up your mind. The variety is overwhelming. You can quite literally build a room with fabric alone. The difficulty is in knowing what to choose, and why.

**Cottons
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My all-time favorite, as everyone knows by now, is cotton. It has such life, freshness, and variety in itself that you often need nothing else. There are marvelous denims, chintzes, polished cottons, sheers, cotton eyelets, corduroys, suede cloths, cotton velvets, wonderful thick handwoven cottons, and a cascade of tight-weave silkscreened goods tumbling all over themselves in head-spinning profusion. Cotton goes with everything, modern furniture or antiques, gilt or wicker, and most other kinds of fabrics and materials, too. In an all-cotton room, you could easily cover a pillow or the seat of a small chair in silk damask or a bit of old tapestry without having it look the slightest bit out of place. If the room is to be very luxurious or if there is very good furniture or if you want a slightly formal atmosphere, you might also have curtains of silk (I mean silk with a handwoven look or perhaps dull faille—nothing shiny). If you're after less formality, use cotton curtains. They're simpler, but to my mind not a whit less beautiful.

For upholstered furniture, I use cotton or linen almost exclusively. In a formal room with silk curtains and several damask or tapestry covered chairs, I would be inclined to slipcover the upholstered furniture in a period print.

**Upholstery—
durable and
flexible**

When you choose upholstery fabric, you should consider two things: durability and flexibility. The ideal—and most expensive—way of doing it is to have the furniture upholstered in muslin and have two sets of slipcovers made, one for fall and winter, one for spring and summer. The next best would be to have upholstery of very tough, hard-wearing, easy-to-

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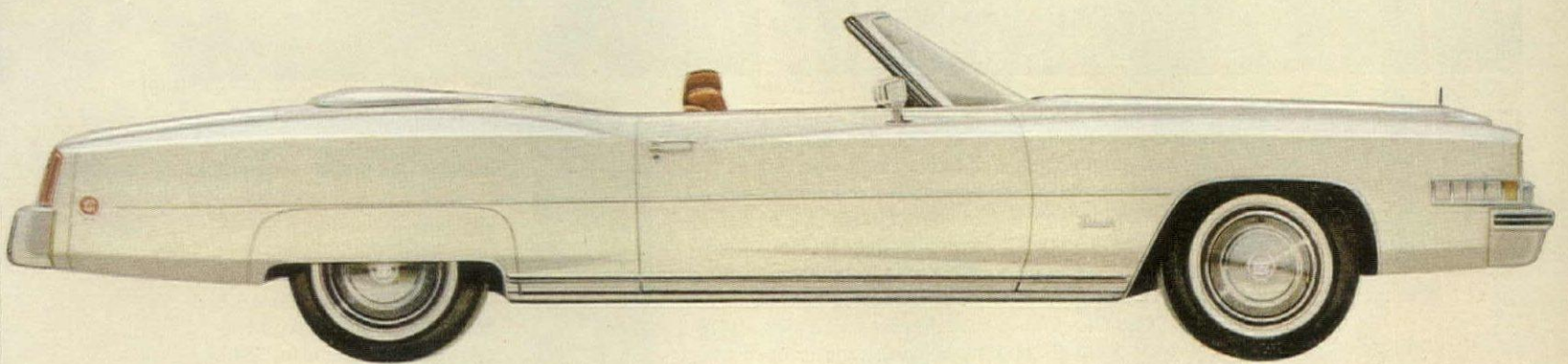


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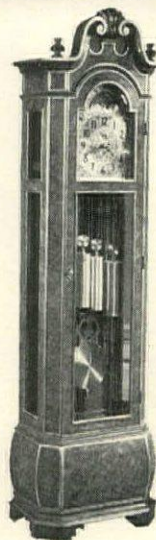
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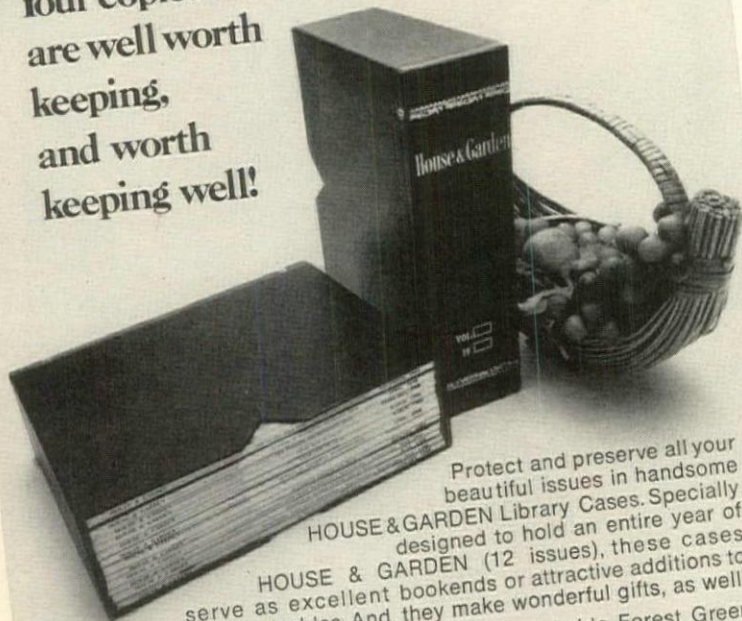
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MATERIALS AND TEXTURE *continued from page 8*

clean fabric like denim, linen, or cotton velvet, with a set of lighter-weight slipcovers for change. My own sofa is covered with a white fabric nearly an eighth of an inch thick, handwoven in Nantucket. It's woven from a tough, flax-like fiber called ramie. All you have to do is draw your fingers across it to feel its stubborn determination to wear. That fabric will outlast me, I'm sure. But even with the very sturdiest fabrics, it is wise to have loose cushions upholstered in muslin, then slipcovered in the upholstery fabric so they at least can be zipped off to the cleaners. And have some wide, deep antimacassars made to tuck over arms and pin invisibly along the outside seams. Lighter-weight cottons like chintz don't hold up well as upholstery, and should really be reserved for slipcovers.

For seats of small chairs and benches, and especially for walls, I have a lot of respect for vinyl. When you need practicality and durability, vinyl is the answer. I love real leather, too, and use it often. Leather improves in looks and comfort as it ages.

Neutrals for practicality plus beauty

If you have active children, dogs, or friends who like to sit with one foot under them (an awful habit, but all too common today), you can't expect the upholstery to look good very long if it's in a pale color. Or, for that matter, too dark, either. Neutrals are best—beige and warm browns and grays. If you think that's too drab, you can brighten it up with pillows. As far as I'm concerned, however, I don't think neutrals are at all drab. Just the opposite. A neutral room in a variety of textures can be the most beautiful of all.

One room I worked on was exclusively in neutral shades of beiges and browns, with some black and white. Walls were paneled with pale wood. Neutral jute sofas and club chairs sat on a highly polished brown vinyl floor, with furry rugs in animal shapes in major seating areas. Rough-wood French country dining chairs had smooth leather-like vinyl seats. Crisp dark-patterned cotton covered some little chairs and stools. Modern metal chairs had seats of smooth suede. There were lots of pillows, some velvet, some tawny brocade, others of quilted glove leather. Vases and ashtrays were of pottery or old silver, and lampshades were made of real parchment, so even the light was textured. You'd hardly call that room drab.

The magic of texture

Even a much shorter span of the neutral spectrum can be outrageously beautiful if you play your textures right. There is a room in London whose colors run entirely between bone and amber. Walls are strié bone. Chairs are covered with tawny cotton velvet, a banquette in flat-weave am-

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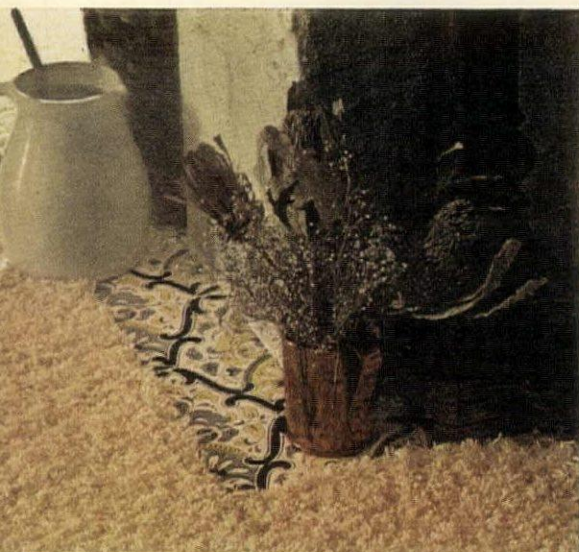
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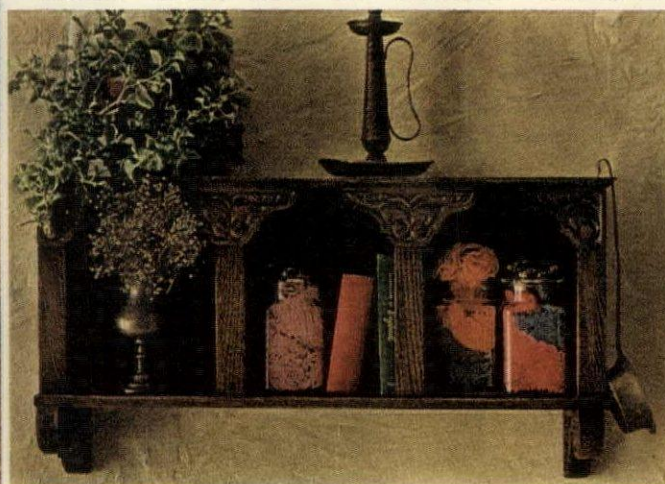


Stark white walls, pale carpeting help turn one small windmill (or one small room) into a showplace. Single splash of color. Brilliant bed-and-bath ensemble by Burlington House. "Pageant" no-iron sheets with coordinated

blankets and towels. The day-and-night bed, made by a local craftsman, is suspended by ropes from a ceiling beam. It floats in the air . . . allowing wall space for richly carved chests by Burlington House Furniture.



For a swinging bed? Swinging sheets. By Vera. (Who else would dream up blue flowers with brown leaves?) The style is Pageant from the Burlington Presidential Collection. A bright idea for Lisbon. Or Boston.




Against the rough-plastered wall, a beautifully carved wooden shelf. A rare find from a Lisbon antique shop? Wrong. It's the Barley Bean Shelf by Burlington House Furniture. A fine showcase for books, baby's breath, and big glass jars. Fill the jars with pretty things that are usually hidden away. Yarn. Or spools of thread. Or seashells. Or penny candy. Or beans?



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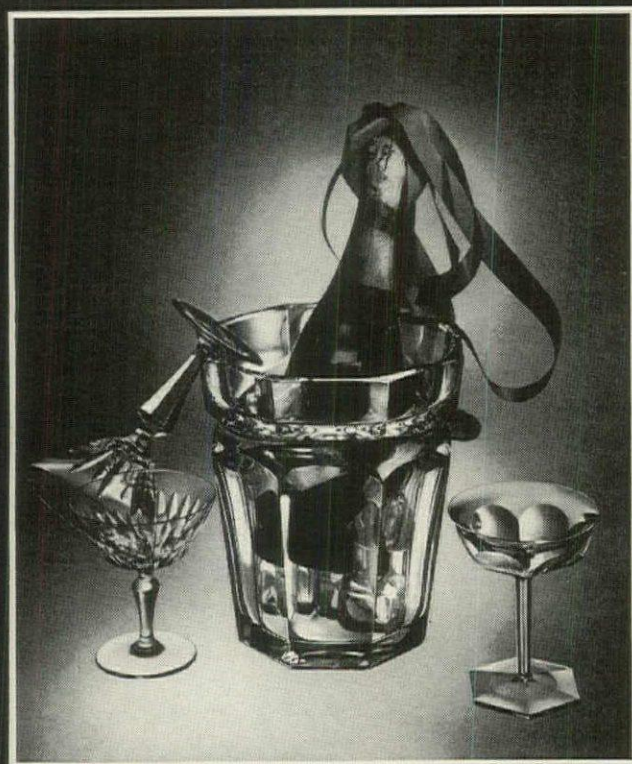
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THOUGHTS FOR THE HOSTESS

BY MARY MOON HEMINGWAY

Christmas, and Chanukah, too, should be celebrated with openness—open hearts, open hands, open minds, openness to others. What fun and how rewarding to have a *really open-ended open house* where all the hosts are also guests, the guests hosts, and everyone both gives and receives—great for a block or neighborhood party or an après-ski festivity, perfect for an all-ages party. Everyone contributes something: Executive types would help to organize. Whoever had the best place for holding the party could provide the locale. Beforehand, the cooks—men and women, young and adult—prepare the refreshments with a minimum of strictures on their productions, as long as a fairly balanced menu results—not just desserts or dips. Those who have a way with paper, scissors, paste, or needle and thread might form a trimming workshop in advance (talented children are included in this). People with a flair for working with foliage and flowers would twine, wreath, and arrange on the day of the party, the nature lovers bringing in the greens. Everyone isn't handy but everyone has some talents: Singers and musicians can entertain. If you like, there might be skits, fortune telling, caricatures, square dancing. Someone who enjoys reading aloud could conduct a children's story corner to amuse the young. Limited only by the talents available, a variety of entertainments could go on at the same time. As a finale and in the Christmas spirit of giving, why not have two grab bags of small presents, one for the young, one for the grown-ups—homemade gifts or inexpensive ones: stamps, felt markers, fancy nuts, a whimsy? To further the sense of mutual participation, these presents could be swapped, so everyone gets something that pleases him. Party expenses can be shared equally or contributions offered. And there might be a bring-your-own-bottle bar. In any case, the giving is the fun, the taking an extra fillip.

In keeping with the seasonal community sociability, an *after-sports soup kitchen* should be just the thing. Follow up skating, skiing, bowling, a spectator sport with an informal self-help, super-supper. Have an international soup bar—thick soups, thin soups, clear soups, cream soups—served in tureens (borrowed, begged, or bought) that suit the soup's status, aristocratic or peasant. Offer a choice of garnishes: bacon bits, julienne of raw vegetables, chopped onion, butter-fried or herb croutons, grated cheese, tiny profiteroles, chopped egg, minced lemon rind, seasoned whipped cream, sherry. Lots of mugs or bowls are a necessity (they can be of the disposable variety), so everyone can try everything—even mix his own *potage du jour*. With the soup have lots of great hot breads—everything from pumpernickel to Parker House rolls—and both sweet and salted butter. Dessert? Perhaps a bowl of apples and pears and Swedish gingersnaps.

The shortest days of the year often seem the longest. No paradox however, more a matter of so much nighttime, so little daylight. *Banish the dark with the enchantment of live lights*—candles, flares, lanterns, floating wicks, open

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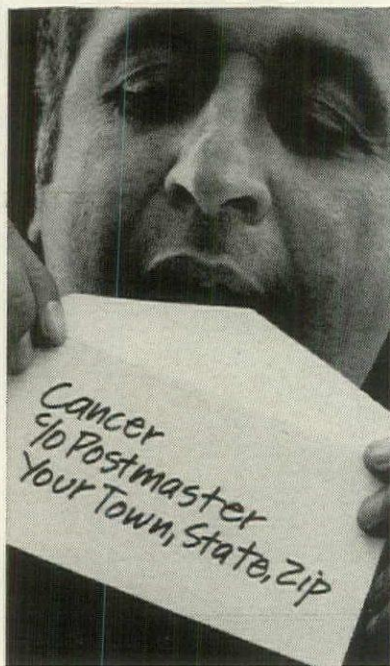
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fires. The Danes are all but delirious about candles. Take an idea from them and fill a living room with candlelight. Have candles in stands, holders, candelabra. Place them all over the room—on tables, on mantels, on sills if possible. Fill a fireplace with a hoard of fat candles of varying heights. Enjoy a dinner-party cocktail hour by candlelight—most agreeable to female guests—then please the men by eating in an electrically but discreetly lighted dining room. A garden or any land about your house offers a pleasing place to pierce the gloom with outside illumination, not necessarily an elaborate, permanent set-up but with candles in hurricane stick-in-the-ground holders, torches, lanterns hung high or set on terraces or walls. Of course the old favorite, plumber's candles placed in sand-filled Kraft paper bags make useful and attractive lighting for your driveway.

If you have candles on your dining table, no need to center them. Individual, shortish candles or votive lights at each place—with or without more in the center—cast a flattering glow on each guest. Floating candles always look so pretty, I think. Candles may be set or floated in champagne glasses half-filled with tinted water or in shallow glass bowls. I like to wreath a fat candle with flowers or greens. There are plastic containers with a removable flower-holder top made just for this, but you can always paint a suitably sized ring mold the color you want, fill it with Oasis or half-fill with gravel, and "plant." The candlestick holders that encircle candles with blossoms and greens are effective and economical. A Welsh Christmas whimsy is oranges used as candlesticks, but pineapples or polished

apples, even artichokes, plain or gilded, are amusing.

Enjoying a revival today is another means of *soft illumination—oil lamps with sweetly scented oils*. For these, as with the candles, little ones may be used at each place or put in and around flowers. There are also all manner of candle lanterns from which to choose. To break the deepest winter gloom, a family of oil lights could be perched on interesting flat stones or tucked into driftwood branches, the whole then enlivened with evergreen branches.

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Of using an interesting collection of small things, displaying them on a mirror, lazy Susan, salver, whatever, as a conversational centerpiece?

Of cooking up regular store mustard with herbs and other seasonings, then cooling and serving as your very own?

Of wrapping presents in exotic-typeface foreign newspapers, brightening and sealing them with colored tape?

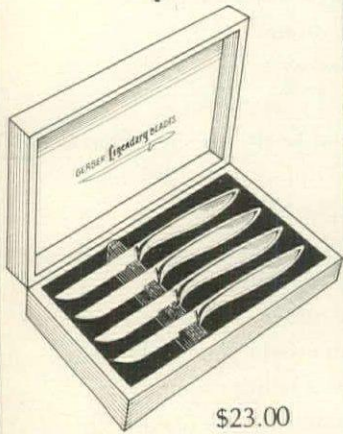
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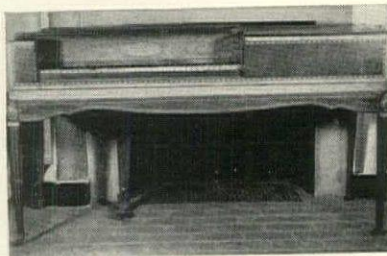
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ANTIQUES

BY LOUISE ADE BOGER

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This mahogany piano with satinwood inlay was made by Charles Trute of Wilmington, Del., for Cloud Elliot (1787-1824). It, and many other pieces of furniture made before 1840, will be on exhibit at our Delaware Antiques Show. We think it quite unusual for a cabinetmaker also to make the instrument. Do you know of any other instances of this?



G. McD.—Wilmington, Del.

It is very unusual, and offhand we do not know of any other cabinetmaker who did both. Many instrument makers, however, also made the box that housed the movement, and they were often rather commonplace in design. Your beautiful case could only be the work of a master craftsman.

Editor's Note: The Delaware Antiques Show, sponsored by the Junior Board of Delaware Division, Wilmington Medical Center, will be held Nov. 30-Dec. 2 at the Wilcastle Center, Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilmington, Del.

CHIPPENDALE STYLE BED

My aunt left me this mahogany tester bed. What can you tell me about its origin?

J.L.H.—Allenhurst, N.J.

Your bed with two front cabriole legs having ball and claw feet is in the Chippendale style, made probably at Newport, R.I., around 1760-1770.

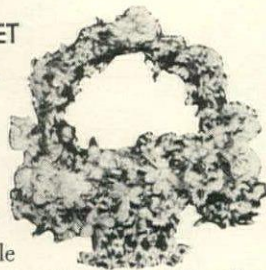


VICTORIAN SHELL BASKET

My shell basket was brought here from France in the mid-19th century. Anything you can tell me about this kind of work will be appreciated.

M.H.H.—N. Plainfield, N.J.

Shell work was one of the fashionable "art recreations" of the Victorian lady. Shells were gathered at the seaside or bought. Shell-work baskets were often charming and elaborate and were set under a glass dome and placed on a mantel for decorative purposes.



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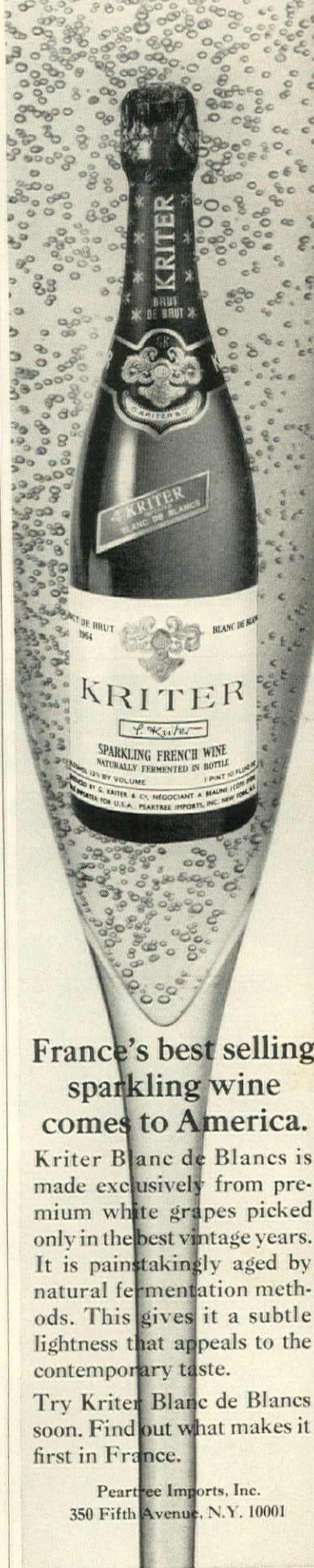
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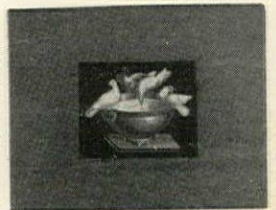
What can you tell us about this low mahogany cupboard? We think it's quite old? S.M.C.—Arlington, Va.

Your low cupboard, probably German in origin, is a fine example of early Biedermeier, dating about 1830-1840.

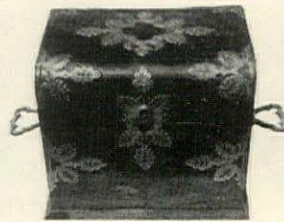
ITALIAN MOSAIC

Please tell me, if you can, the age and origin of this small mosaic, about 2½ inches high, 3¼ wide.

P.P.B.—State College, Pa.



Your mosaic is very likely a Victorian copy made in Italy, probably Florence or Rome, of an ancient Roman mosaic. These were made particularly for tourists. Doves feeding from a bowl, as on your mosaic, was one of the favorite subjects.



TIFFANY DECANTER SET

Recently I acquired this decanter set with the name "Tiffany and

Company, Union Square" on a brass plate between the hinges. The box appears to be crotch mahogany veneer with heavy brass ornamentation, the heavy decanters cut glass. Can you give me any information about this set? W.R.C.—Wytheville, Va.

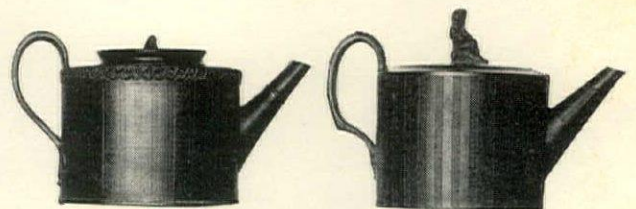
Your decanter set was purchased between the years 1870 and 1905 when Tiffany and Company was located at Union Square, New York City. Judging from the snapshots, it is probably English in origin, dating from the late 19th century.

SPANISH WAX JACK

On a trip to Spain we got this antique candle. Our Spanish is fragmentary, but we understood it is old. How old? And what was its use? R.S.—Hollywood, Calif.



Your wax jack or taper jack is of late 19th-century manufacture of European, perhaps Spanish, origin. It was used to seal letters with wax. The end of the coil of wax taper passes through a narrow opening at the top of the frame and is lit. Holding sealing wax to flame, you let sealing wax drip on envelope to be sealed. The cone-shaped snuffer extinguishes the flame.



BLACK BASALT TEAPOTS

One of these two similar basalt teapots, each with widow finials, is marked "Wedgwood"; the other, "E. Mayer Co." Can you tell me about when they were made? H.K.R.—McAllen, Tex.

The Wedgwood teapot was probably made in the late 18th century, around 1790, and the Mayer in the early 19th century by Mayer of Hanley who died in 1813. The widow knob was used by many other potters but was slightly different from the Wedgwood knob.

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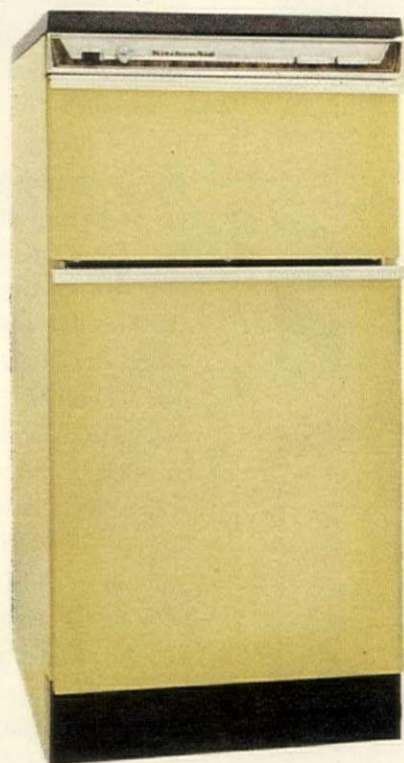


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SOME NOTES ON GOOD LOOKS & GOOD HEALTH

BY REBECCA WARFIELD

HOW TO ALTER THE OLD CHRISTMAS-SHOPPING CONSCIOUSNESS BY DISCOVERING "INFINITE RICHES IN A LITTLE PLACE" . . .

What's most old-fashioned about an old-fashioned Christmas? It's got to be the cult of Christmas Complaining. All that moaning and groaning about the unbearable burden of the Christmas list is not only terribly passé, it's also a lot of hokum. Nearly everybody is secretly pleased to death about the opportunity to fling money around like a drunken sailor, absolutely guilt-free because of the season. What needs to be changed, if possible, is the plowing about without direction, tenseness, insecurity, crazy confusion, loss of the Sense of Adventure. A way to restore the Pleasure Principle to your present-finding is to confine it all to one small world such as the big beauty department of a big store or some luxurious drugstore near you that also has the wit to stay open on Sunday. Here, instead of feeling like a beaten, driven creature, you can be a proud tiger prowling a territory where there is absolutely **something for everyone**, where even the regular fare is special and everything will **live out its meaning**, making people look better or feel better or attract better. Actually the Infinite Riches found here are most uniquely welcomed because they are as uniquely personal as a toothbrush. In fact, why not? For someone rich and splendid think of something small and unusual. **The most chic toothbrushes in town** are the zippy Kingsley ones with tiny black and white or red and white checkered backs and handles. From England and all over for \$1.50. . . . And at Caswell-Massey, that quintessential drugstore, the excuse someone may be looking for to not give up smoking—the **smoker's toothbrush**, handsome, sturdy, blazingly milk white with tawny natural boar's bristles, strong as true love. It is \$3.75 and its soulmate **smoker's tooth powder**, also imported, is \$3. . . . Meanwhile over on the shelf at the Big Store is a stunning surprise for some friend who can't sleep a wink—Evelyn Marshall's ingratiating little **tranquility pillow**. This dear little thing with its white ruffled cotton slipcover is so potent it's being used instead of medication at one of our best known nursing homes. In it are over a dozen herbs, some very rare, all with their roots in history (Miss Marshall says that Charles II slept by these, swore by them), and those legendary talents are astonishingly real. \$15. . . . Because there isn't a woman with a soul so dead she isn't deeply flattered that one would assume she leads a glittering night life, give almost anyone some of Estée Lauder's new **evening eye rockets**—little tortoiseshell cases that hold green gold and golden shadow or silvery blue and silver or are gleaming with bronze and copper. At \$6.50 it's all you'll need to transform some Old Steady into Black Tie dressing. . . . For someone seriously rich, this is the spot to collect certain points of interest that might not come to her attention.

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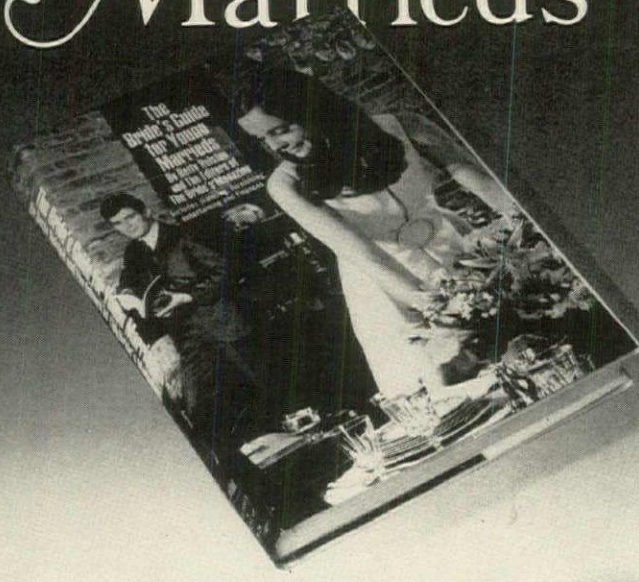
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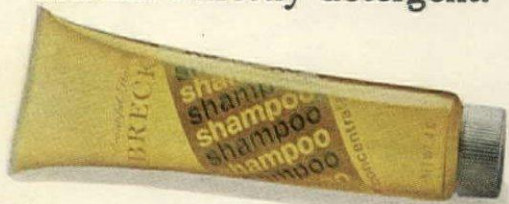
Now that Nails are Again Fashion and wearing all kinds of color—bright, deep, shocking, eccentric—a stocking that starts with a bunch of them would be instructive: Charles of the Ritz soft, deep Rose Royce and Wall Street Plum, \$3 each; and Cherry Chocolate and Ginger Jam from Elizabeth Arden describe themselves, \$2.50 each. The emerald green by Mary Quant that Liza Minnelli dug up for fashion in *Cabaret* is a shock and, finally to broaden her outlook altogether, the Black polish that a certain Fashion Figure has been wearing—Revlon's Super Crystaline. \$1.35. . . . Drop in a whole fistful of tiny eye crayons in wonderful pale pastels that go on with such thrilling ease are a real lesson in eye make-up for people who may never have been very good at it. Two for \$1. . . . Then comes a pot of tasty color from Dorothy Gray—maple sugar in shade and tastes like it. \$2. . . . For a traveler with blue eyes, Maybelline's highly organized see-through case with a blue mascara wand, a blue eye liner, three intensities of blue shadow, a midget mirror that does a giant job. (She'll never never guess all this could possibly be only \$3.) . . . She will have a laugh at the world's tiniest tortoise-shell comb, intended for sideburns but right for her eyebrows. \$2 at Caswell-Massey. . . . She'll learn a valuable trick with Evelyn Marshall's blue eye pencil that colors the inside of the lower lid to make the eyeballs look as purely white as a small child's. \$3. . . . And because the toe of the stocking should have an apple, you could write to Nancy's Fancy, 900 First Avenue, New York City for the famous carving, signed by the artist, that looks exactly like a bitten-into apple core and is the status object to wear on a chain these days. Postpaid, \$11. . . . On the other side of the ledger, someone whose boat has not yet come in should get something big and overwhelming such as a gallon bottle of the super-lemony Jean Naté Friction Pour le Bain (\$17.95), and a stocking that has a cake of Joy soap (\$6) in the toe. . . . Givenchy's famous eye cream that comes in a tiny white Regency eye-patch box whose cover is inscribed in gold with **Let Golden Shadows Kiss Your Eyes**. \$10. . . . Clinique's Beauty Emergency Mask that takes care of a face in sudden crisis—a blazing turquoise mask that goes on for two minutes and produces a sudden new freshness, and roses in the cheeks. \$7.50. . . . And finally Dina Merrill's Super Concentrate, a night cream so wildly oil rich it makes a woman's complexion improve by its very existence. \$25. . . . If you are filling a man's silk sock this Christmas, you certainly should supply him with some of the new stuff from Givenchy—Givenchy's Gentleman, nonsweet and nitty gritty sexy in a classy way (if he's loaded with dough the \$5 size will do, if not, he should have the large, economy-size flask, \$15). . . . And Floris wonderful, old world wooden shaving soap bowl flavored with Rose Geranium (\$4.50) and Caswell-Massey's super shaving brush of real badger fur (\$15). . . . Just to prove that you could accomplish some Mission Impossible in this little space if you want to, such as provide adornment for an Orange Bathroom, with no trouble—a box of Yardley's Old English Lavender Soap astonishingly comes in orange. \$2.50. . . . Prince Matcha-

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*The Christmas enchantments of
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a restoration by two people
who love history and tradition*

Having enjoyed Waterloo Village Restoration quite privately with their friends for many Christmas celebrations, Percival Leach and Louis Gualandi, the people who restored it, have decided this year to invite everyone. "The village is such a wonderful place to be during the holidays," they say. "We just feel we should share it with more people who share our enthusiasm."

Nestled in the New Jersey hills, Waterloo is absolutely authentic, which makes it one of America's most unusual restored villages. "It was not artificially created," Mr. Leach and Mr. Gualandi point out, "all the buildings belonged here and many have existed since before the Revolutionary War." At Christmas, in snowy weather, horse-drawn sleighs glide through the village; windows glow with candlelight; doors, porches, and railings everywhere, from the little frame church to the picturesque Stage Coach Inn and the simple blacksmith's shop, are garnished with

greenery. And it is full of activity. All through the year, in fact, Waterloo's small daytime population of around forty leads a very romantic but purposeful 18th-century life, spinning, weaving, gathering and drying herbs, candle-making, throwing pottery, and carrying on many other crafts in the way they were done two hundred years ago.

Mr. Percival Leach's family found Waterloo just after World War II and bought one house. "I thought how interesting it would be to restore one or two houses," he explained, "and as interior designer and antique collector I had plenty of enthusiasm." With Mr. Gualandi, an interior designer and a neighbor, he restored the country store, a three-story building backing onto a canal, with a huge wheel upstairs that once helped to unload the canal boats when Waterloo was a throbbing center of commercial activity. "We thought what fun it would be to enjoy it with our friends. And after that we decided to go on. The old grist mill was completely

covered with bushes and overgrowth. You couldn't see what was there. Some walls were still standing, we renewed the roof and rebuilt it according to the old plans and put in new windows.

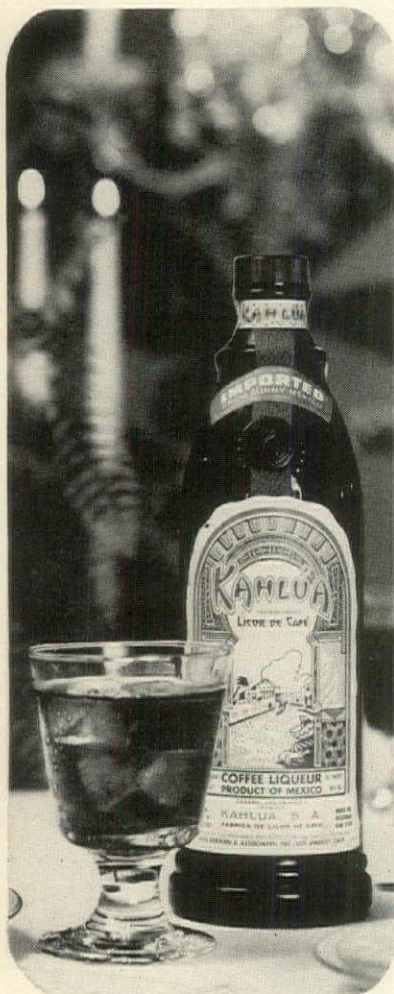


Inside Wellington House, decorated with a mixture of English, American, and French 18th-century antiques, the Green Dining Room, ABOVE, is one of several formal dining rooms.

Gradually we acquired more houses, until we had restored all the village. Then we approached the state, and finally the state bought the surrounding 4,000 acres so the restoration could be entirely protected."

Sixteen buildings of various architectural periods from Colonial to Victorian have been renovated. Altogether Mr. Leach and Mr. Gualandi have decorated and furnished ninety-seven rooms with beautiful antiques, silver, china, and other treasured objects collected over many years. Seventy-five rooms are lit by candlelight at night. The Stein-

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The Christmas scene outside Wellington House, LEFT, decked with garlands of greenery. At night, closing of the village is sounded on a conch shell once used to signal the approach of a boat on the canal. The Country Store, ABOVE, by the canal, sells candles, soaps, pottery, herbs, and other village things.

THE BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS YOU MAKE YOURSELF

An expression of affection as simple as a perfect loaf of bread, if you've made it yourself, is a Christmas present on the side of the angels. Valuable? No. Priceless? Yes. And that is what this issue is mostly about—things you can make yourself to give or to share or to make a room say, *did you ever see such a night before Christmas?* Since we all do one thing better than another, the diversity of ideas is wide. For example:

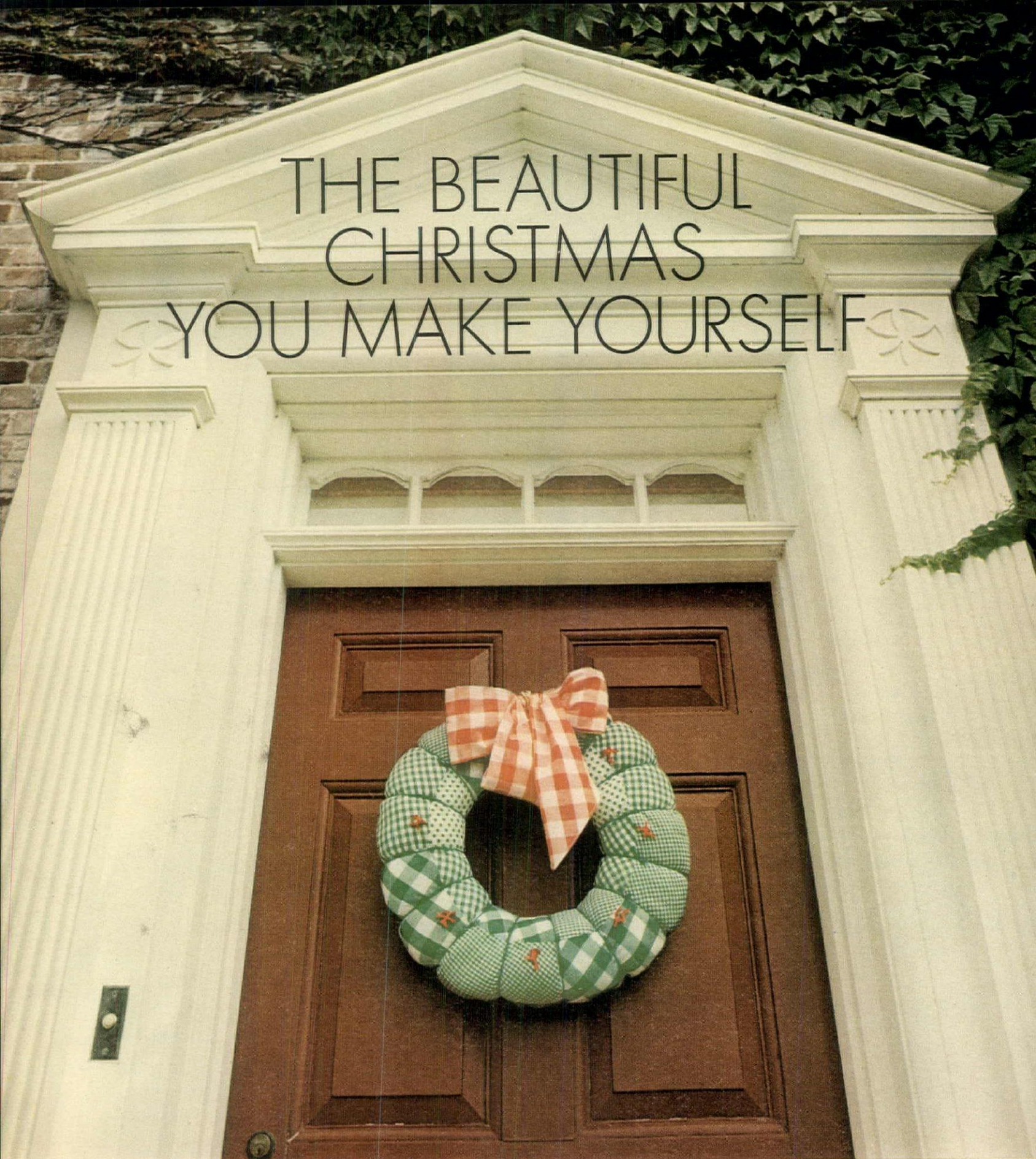
If you sew, turn to page 36 and have a glorious gingham Christmas. Made into patchwork—an American tradition more charming now than ever—the familiar material can be turned into wreaths, angels, trees, dolls, stockings for stuffing, and a tablecloth you may long to keep. If you do, make two. When you run out of gingham, turn to page 48 and try your hand at a table cover made entirely of interlaced ribbons.

Perhaps you're a gardener and have learned the botanist's trick of drying flowers and herbs and the spectacular weeds a bountiful roadside will yield. Put together as they are on page 78, these pretty things can bloom again in wreaths, trees, bouquets, and garlands. Or you can simply go to a florist and buy a great clump of leaves—real or fake, they both work—and fashion them into the splendid wreath you will find in Gardener's Notes on page 145.

Should you love to needlepoint so much you feel bereft without a canvas in your hands, you will find on page 68 six members of the Animal Kingdom in the guise of cushions. Each is a kit to be given as is, or—if you stitch them yourself—to give to someone very dear to you. These are not only cushions, they are labors of love.

One of the great things about Christmas is that it makes us want to express everything we know about welcome. To cook up a magnificent storm, to set a table that looks like a painting, to give a party both beautiful to look at and to be at. Starting on page 40 is a series of holiday welcomings, some big, some small, all radiant. Let them inspire you. As for food and drink, our cook book on page 79 is full of provocative ideas for the twelve days of Christmas, plus a number of delicious little things to make and give away.

Between sessions of making your beautiful Christmas, you might study the apartment on page 54 and the way it looks during the holidays and how it looks after Twelfth Night. On page 70 is a house built to hold a notable art collection—and the indomitable spirit of its owners. Then, if you would like to take a walk with Mrs. Lyndon Johnson (page 62), she will tell you about giving the countryside a new beauty with what she calls “the best show in the world”—wild flowers. And whether or not you are an ailurophile, on page 60 is an account that may make you one—the story of a cat who talked, not in our syllables, but better ones. A kind of music, sad or glad, depending on who listened to him. Now read on, and have a champion Christmas!



THE BEAUTIFUL
CHRISTMAS
YOU MAKE YOURSELF

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your own beautiful patchwork Christmas.*

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A new look for an old-fashioned Christmas begins with a welcoming wreath, a patchwork circle stuffed with Dacron fiberfill and finished with a big floppy bow. The flying angels are stuffed too, and can delight a mantel or a mirror or can cozy a chair as pillows—the patchwork cloth is a splash of red and white in three sizes of checks, all part of the magic that can be sewed, designed especially for *House & Garden* by Kathy Orr, using White Rose gingham of Dacron and cotton.

Christmas wreath, OPPOSITE PAGE AND ABOVE: *Make a pattern by tracing a circle 26 inches in diameter on brown wrapping paper; draw 16-inch and 4-inch circles inside this. Cut out 8-inch circle and discard. You now have pattern for the back of the wreath; cut back from one piece of gingham. For the patchwork front, fold pattern into 8 wedges. Cut out one of the wedges, then cut it in half along the 16-inch center line. You will need 8 of each*

half. These will be the two patterns for the patchwork pieces. Place patterns onto fabrics—here, three sizes of gingham checks and one polka dot—trace, allowing ½ inch extra for seaming, cut, then arrange patches to suit you. Stitch together. Sew together the outside edge of the patchwork front and the solid back, right sides together. Turn right side out, stuff with Dacron fiberfill, then pin and seam the inner edges by hand. Tie green yarn around the seams and in between, and with a darning needle, make red yarn ties.

Patchwork tablecloth: *For a 104-inch-diameter tablecloth, you will need about 3⅞ yards of 45-inch-wide fabric in each size gingham. You will need 64 squares. Cut twenty-two 14-inch squares from each of the three sizes of gingham checks and sew together. (Two squares will be left.) Hem cloth all around. Turn page for directions for flying angels and more gingham surprises.*

HORST



More merry red and green gingham excitements, trimmed with whatever your imagination fancies: rickrack and braid, ribbons and wool yarns, bits of felt, leftover fabric scraps.

On these pages are inspirations for children's stockings, a patchwork tree that could just as easily sparkle a mantel as it could a door or a wall; plus the how-to of putting together a flying angel to be stuffed for a pillow, or used as an ornament. You could even make miniatures to hang on the tree.

THE PATCHWORK CHRISTMAS
YOU MAKE YOURSELF

Stockings, angels, and a bright gingham tree

Christmas stockings of gingham, appliquéd with all manner of sewing basket scraps and tasseled with bright wool yarns.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: *appliquéd angel; a puffy patchwork wreath appliquéd and decorated with leaves of green felt, red taffeta ribbon; patchwork tree with yarn knots for ornaments, glitters of tiny gold stars; tree squiggled with rickrack; and last, tree in alternating bands of eyelet, rickrack, and braid. Angel, RIGHT, has a back of solid gingham, patchwork front. Reverse the pattern (see drawing, opposite page) to make an angel facing the opposite direction.*



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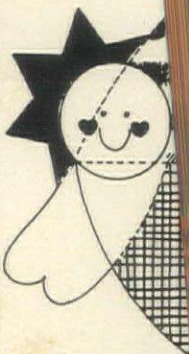
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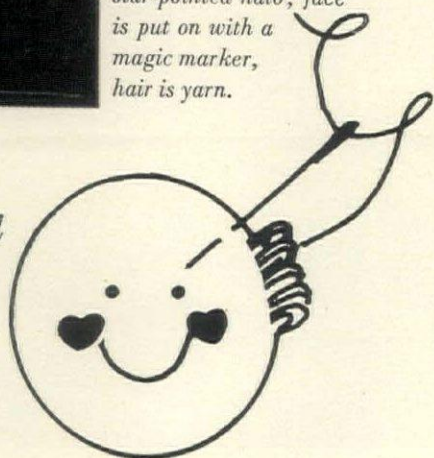
Quilted stocking
has a merry angel appliqué. To
make, cut stocking shapes,
quilt on machine using a thin
backing of Dacron fiberfill.
With a darning needle pull yarn
through at each seam crossing
and knot. Sew halves together.
Stuffed calico angel has felt
star-pointed halo; face
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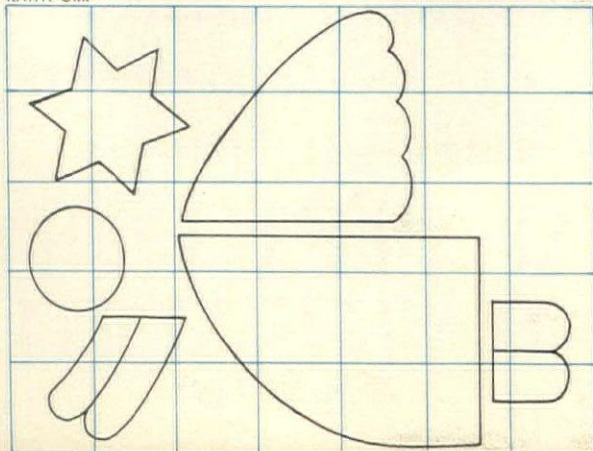
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KATHY ORR



Flying angel trimmed with braid,
ribbon, and ruffled eyelet. Enlarge diagram at
left to make pattern. Our angel is about 21 inches
from wing tip to fingertip. Trace pattern for
body and wing onto gingham, cut, allowing 1/2 inch
for seams. Trace pattern for feet and hands on
white sheeting and cut. Sew trims onto body, then
sew all the angel parts together. Cut solid back
in same shape, seam to front, and stuff. To
make face, cut 2 circles, each 4 1/2 inches in
diameter, from white sheeting. Draw on eyes and
smile. Seam circles, stuff, tack to body. With a
darning needle and green yarn, sew on loops for curls.



Glittering trees, green garlands,
gala tables, and other delicious ideas
for decorations and parties

THE BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS YOU MAKE YOURSELF



CURTAINS FRINGED WITH EVERGREEN

—chubby ropes of laurel—slip a plaid room into Christmas gear, *opposite page*. With the tree up, a fat decorated wreath over one mirror and boughs wound in and out of an armillary sphere, Henri Little is ready to have friends in to enjoy it all. What starts out with drinks for lots of people usually ends up as light supper for those who stay. On the buffet table, *left*, quiche, savory pastries kept warm on an electric tray, champagne in small bottles chilling in a small punch bowl, blue-and-gold-banded bone china. The coffee table, *center left*, lends itself for a group of six or eight seated on small sofas around it. “Cortina” Oxford bone china plates and “Jubilee” champagne glasses by Lenox; “Grandeur” Heirloom sterling flatware; “Chippendale” electric tray by Sheridan Silver. Decorations by Ronaldo Maia.

A SEAFOOD SUPPER IN THE KITCHEN

is Langdon Gaiser’s answer to after-theatre Christmas parties. “Lobster’s messy but it’s glamorous. It’s good-looking on the table and everybody likes it. If girls are dressed up, I have a platter of lobster meat cracked and easy-to-eat oysters ready so they don’t have to work on it themselves.” Mr. Gaiser, interior designer and cook book illustrator, sets the round oak table, *below*, in his tiny blue and white kitchen, *bottom left*, with Japanese china, candles, and lobster as a centerpiece. Traditional paintings hang over blue and white wallpaper. Pine boughs weave through an iron chandelier. *For shopping information, see page 96*

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The smell of spruce and flowers, the warmth of candlelight

TINY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND CANDLE FLAMES

illumine the late afternoon tea Allen Murphy gives the week before Christmas, *above*, for everybody in the family from youngest to oldest. "Almost everybody has a little sherry, too, but if you call it tea, then you can have all those wonderful sweet things that both children and older people love." Through the windows of the tiny Victorian drawing room is a garden of Christmas trees trimmed with white lights. A red linen cloth covers the tea table, with azaleas banked underneath—"There are so many poinsettias at Christmas that azaleas are very refreshing." A model of an 18th-century house in front of the window is decorated for Christmas and serves as the centerpiece for the tea table. The fireplace wall, *top right*, a wonderful toy-shop jumble of more house models, 16th-century dummy boards (one of them, the infanta of Spain, is over the fireplace), and a collection of American mercury glass, other Early American figures, and vases of spring flowers. A traditional decorated garland of green frames the fireplace and dummy board. Tea trappings: Towle "Old Master" sterling silver, Tudor "Holbein" crystal, Royal Limoges "Persan Rouge" china.





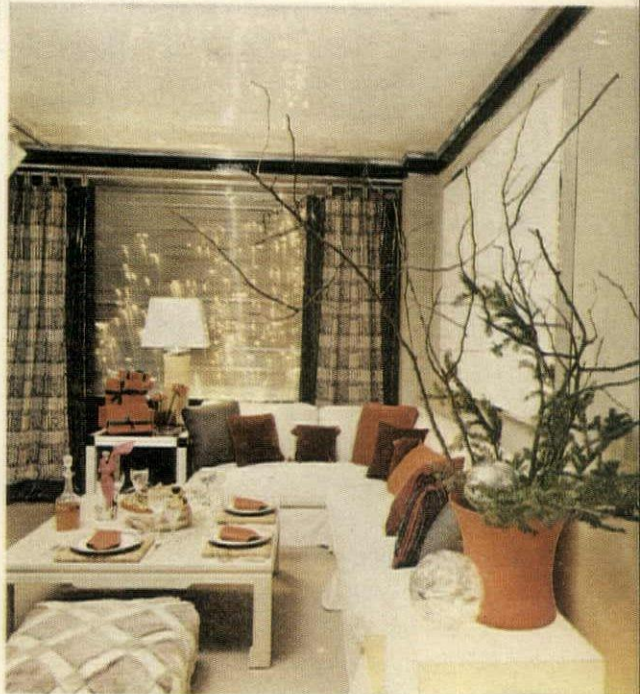
A TREE TIED WITH TINSEL is the tradition for the Richard Hares where the tree really belongs to the family, *left*. "We tend to do a very Victorian tree—both the children, my wife, and I have been making ornaments every year for years and we put them *all* up again and again. To give the tree unity and color, we buy new colored balls from the five-and-ten to add to the ropes of tinsel garland." This tree is blue spruce and some of the balls are calico—some years the youngest son puts up a tiny village and electric railroad after packages are opened and gone. Yew boughs from their house in the country nestle around an Empire walnut clock on the Scottish mantelpiece.

A SPLASH OF LIGHTS sprinkled across the window blind is a no-tree tree, *left*, for a modern apartment. Ruben de Saavedra, whose apartment this is, uses two sets of tiny white Christmas tree lights to make his fireworks. He tapes them so that the bulbs loop away from the window and can be pulled through the slats of the blind once the blind is lowered. Takes a half hour to do.

Anemones, red cushions, radishes, and red peppers provide holiday red for a Christmas Eve supper for four. The menu, a favorite of his, is a one dish event: paella with chicken, sausage, lobster, and bright yellow rice.

The side-kick dish: an enormous guacamole rimmed with radishes—served with little corn tortillas.

Goodlooking straw mats, used in China for



sitting in the garden, now mark the places around the coffee table, *above*. Branches and greens make an almost Japanese arrangement in a big red straw basket painted to give the room more Christmas red. "Nouvelle Ivory" china with platinum and gold-color bands, "Aria" thumbprint design crystal by Franciscan; "Vision" sterling flatware by International Silver.

For shopping information, see page 96

A MARVELOUS PARTY WHERE CHRISTMAS STARTS AT THE FRONT DOOR and fills every room with warmth and welcome

"I'm very sentimental about Christmas," says Betsy Pickering Theodoracopulos, who always decorates her tree at least two weeks before Christmas to ensure weeks of enjoyment before Twelfth Night. Two weeks before Christmas is her favorite time for a party, too. "Friends can relax and enjoy the party then; it isn't as frantic as just before the holiday." In her choice of decorations Mrs. Theodoracopulos is a great traditionalist. She uses masses of greens all through her apartment—a subtle blend of neutrals—and plants. "Plants are marvelous ornaments and they last the whole season." Bold splashes of red and white poinsettias give an immediate welcoming warmth and gaiety in her hall. "It's important to have a festive feeling the moment you walk into a house."

Mrs. Theodoracopulos brightens a ready-made wreath for the front door, *above*, with natural pine cones, holly, and mistletoe. Sleigh bells hang from green velvet ribbon. Inside are masses of red and white poinsettias, pine, boxwood. The bar, a handsome marble-topped table, *right*, set in the hall, is made Christmasy with towering branches of black alder, cut firs. The tree is the heart of Christmas for the children, and this towering, 7½-foot fir, *far right*, is dressed by Mrs. Theodoracopulos, her friend Giorgio di Sant'Angelo, and her sons, who deck it richly with partridge feathers, ornaments—made in school or treasured since childhood—gingerbread men, silvery garlands. "Start with the proper shaped tree," she advises. "If there's a bald spot tie on extra branches." To get rid of the gap in space beneath the tree, a fan of branches is tucked in to brush the ground. Garlands swathed in scarlet velvet run along the fireplace, pine incense burns in the grate to give the room a lovely scent of Christmas.

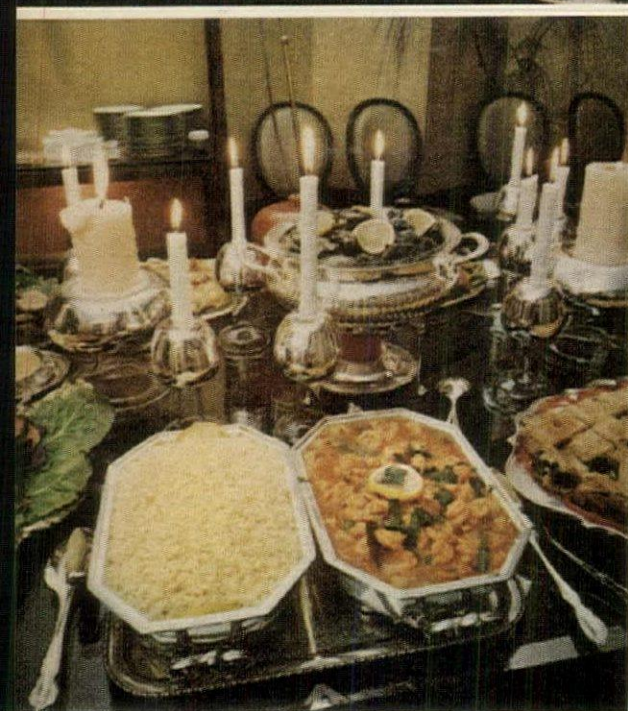
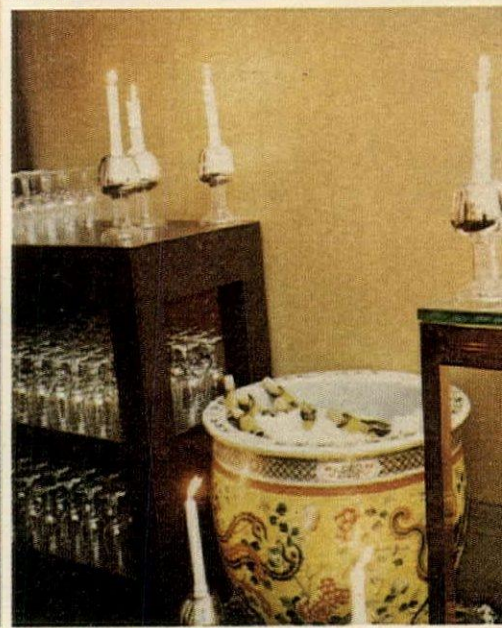


A glittering still life of favorite things, *left*, a clay head that Mrs. Theodoracopulos found for \$3 and had gilded, vases from Zolotas, potted kalanchoe.

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Buffet for Ninety

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| RICE WITH MUSHROOMS | |
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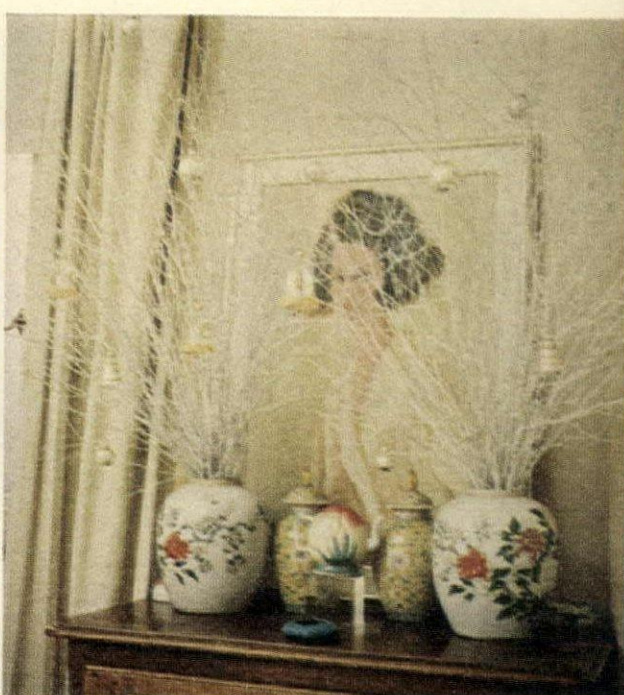
where every detail delights the eye

enthusiastic party giver, Betsy Theodoracopulos believes in precise and careful planning. "Guests reflect their host's mood so you must be relaxed. I prepare everything days ahead, to eliminate those last minute problems that make a hostess harried on the day of the party I have nothing left to do." Well before the party, Mrs. Theodoracopulos selects the tapes and records, arranges flowers, checks all the equipment, which is washed and arranged. This party ninety is set up on several surfaces to allow guests to circulate freely. "It's always uncomfortable to have everything placed on one table." Again the neutral background plays up to the party setting. "The background should not compete with the buffet and I arrange everything on fresh lettuce leaves as a foil to the colors of the food. Greek food is marvelous for a big party; you can cook it the day before and it stands up well on a buffet."

OPPOSITE PAGE: The dining table, top left, is set for the buffet with a variety of Greek dishes, platters of cold marinated roast beef with mustard, lamb with pungent mint sauce. *Top right:* Silver on a small glass-topped stainless steel table together with snowy napkins, white plates lit by the glow from candles and their mercury holders. *Center right:* An enormous Chinese urn filled with cracked ice to cool the white wine. Bottles are uncorked ahead of time for easy pouring. Wine glasses are stashed on brown Formica shelves. *Bottom, far left:* Shrimp Tourkalimano with rice, Spinach Pie, Stuffed Grape Leaves topped with slivers of lemon. *Bottom right:* A table for cheese and fruit—the fruit is served in a huge Lucite bowl, each cheese identified by a porcelain flag marked with a felt-tipped pen.

THIS PAGE: *top left,* Mrs. Theodoracopulos, dressed in a forest green Galanos, is worn each year for Christmas parties since she was eighteen. *Top right:* A thery whitewashed branches in antique Chinese pottery bowls sparkle with crystal balls. *Below right:* In the bedroom-sitting room, a treasure-trove of sea shells and coral interspersed with white flowers on a white-draped table. Above it, four tri-colors by Sandra Blow; more thery twigs are set in a basket.

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A GLOWING
APARTMENT WHERE
PARTIES COME
NATURALLY



Because they're very clever, creative, and a very special couple, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Britt always have a Christmas that's different. This time, they have two trees, loaded with tinsel and crammed with ornaments—"totally uncalculated, birds all over, everything at random," explains interior designer Tom Britt. "I wanted them this way because the room is so formal and symmetrical." After the holidays, two globes—the red, Mars, the blue, Venus—"fantasy things because we're in the space age," replace the trees, anchoring a marvelous red satin back-to-back banquette that Mr. Britt placed dead center in the oval room. Turned on by the spaciousness and scale in this apartment, which was carved out of a 19th-century town house, Mr. Britt purposefully eliminated pattern, curtains, rugs, and antiques. Lots of things—chairs, tables, lamps, *étagères*—are used in fours, sometimes even in eights. "Symmetry seemed to suit the proportions of the rooms. I like a formal look but a relaxed way of life," he adds. "What relaxes the place is the upholstered furniture and positively no clutter."



TOM YEE

DAVID MASSEY

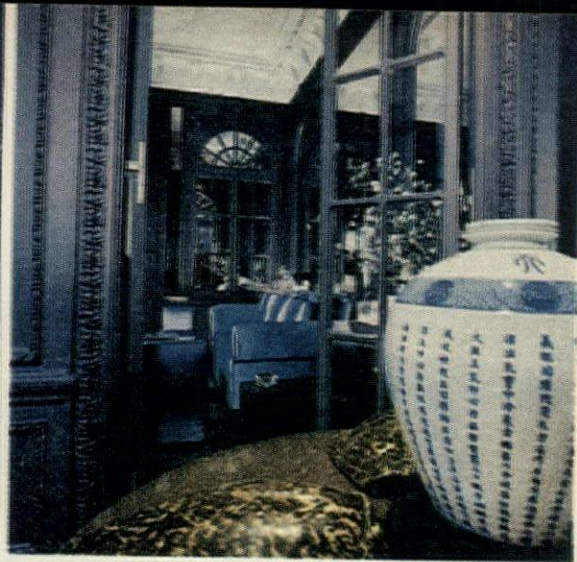
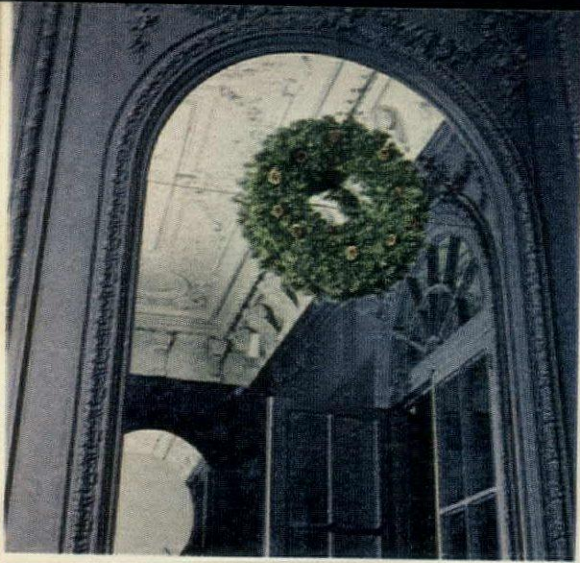


win trees in beautiful horn tubs, far left, in the oval living room. The satin furniture, "red seemed a nice play against bleached wood," is super soft and luxurious, the kind you sink right into. Four little coffee tables are in a porphyry marble-finished wood, their symmetry backed up by four pagoda *étagères* in aubergine lacquer, placed around the room. Mr. Britt lightened the paneling, stained a "mundane parquet floor" in an interesting chevron pattern, above. "There are no rugs anywhere because I like the effect, the sheen, of the wood, the satin, and the mirror. To minimize the 19th-century feeling, there are no period andirons in the fireplace and I totally eliminated chandeliers and sconces. The room is lit with uplights from floor canisters." On the marble mantel, left, miniature trees decorated with gingerbread animals—the same color as the clay figures of the crèche in the center carved by South American Indians—with clusters of candles in little crystal jars. The vases are all Chinese. "I've always felt Chinese accessories are a fabulous complement to any decorating, modern, traditional, or anything in between."



In a glowing apartment

MIRRORS MULTIPLY SPACE With great inventiveness, Tom Britt took a narrow alley of a room, 9 feet wide, 20 feet long, and turned it into a dining room where twelve may sit comfortably for Christmas dinner. "I thought, how in the world am I going to dine in this apartment?" Mr. Britt went on. "Then I put mirrors on one wall and a very pretty Chinese Chippendale mirror on the opposite wall. So the Chippendale mirror is the dining room, you see it wherever you're sitting." Against orange sherbet walls, more red satin, a little deeper than in the living room, covers banquette seating around three sides of a long tortoise-shell table, which is also a conference table when



Christmas dinner, opposite page, with silver Wedgwood plates, everything else crystal. Orange and pink African daisies float in little bowls between a string of candles. The black mother-of-pearl serving table at one end always has a big oxblood porcelain vase filled with branches to help screen the kitchen door. Below: A shimmer of crystal on a marble-finished table in the upstairs foyer. No flowers, just palest pink napkins for color. The plates, crystal with rose relief, are antique. At other times, left, the table holds tortoise shells and other objects. Far left: Christmas wreath perfectly hung to echo the curve of a mirror.

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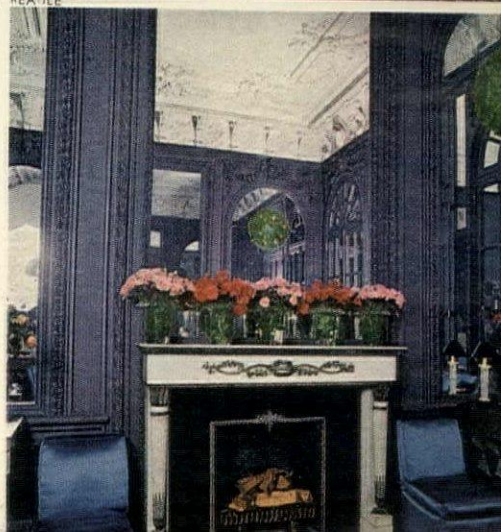


In a glowing apartment

EVERY ROOM DOES DOUBLE DUTY

For large groups of friends, the Britts move upstairs, to a triple-powered, 24-hour room that's organized for living and entertaining and converts ingeniously to a bedroom when all the guests have gone home. "It was a huge Victorian music room with Louis XVI paneling, a 25-foot ceiling. I ruthlessly painted the whole thing out with aubergine, added more mirror to lighten things, and did it all in delphinium satin-upholstered furniture," Mr. Britt continued. Eight identical chairs, four coffee tables, three sofas—the largest one 5 feet deep with three rows of pillows is also the bed—are arranged in three groups, on a shiny jet black floor. "The room works well for one very large group or three intimate ones."

At a Christmas cocktail party, the bar, above right, is set up on a console on one side of the sofa, hors d'oeuvres on the other side, left. Pink and red roses fill the leaded glass vases on the marble mantel, below right. In a less partied mood, above, there are bouquets of irises, treasured photographs, memorabilia, and marvelous art objects on the four consoles, which each have two identical lamps and are indispensable in entertaining as well as architecturally to the room. "What helps to give variety to the repetition of line and design is that each console is done differently," reflects Mr. Britt. "One has vases, another silvery things. Then to break the symmetry, there are five vases on the mantel. Of course that sculpture by Manasse Kadishman makes the room." All furniture: Burgin International Ltd., New York.



The Christmas of the talking cat

A memorable
Christmas
experience by
LOREN EISELEY



FRANK ROSS

EDITOR'S NOTE. That Loren Eiseley should meet a talking cat is perhaps not surprising, for he has, in his own words, "sought to explore, to understand, and to enjoy the miracles of this world, both in and out of science." In science, Dr. Eiseley is a naturalist, anthropologist, and human paleontologist. He is Benjamin Franklin Professor of Anthropology at the University of Pennsylvania and Curator of Early Man in the University Museum. But in Dr. Eiseley the scientist's precise observation and disciplined thinking is joined to the child's gift for wonder and the poet's gift for words. His books—among them, The Immense Journey, The Invisible Pyramid, and The Night Country—communicate vividly his understanding, enjoyment, and deep concern for the relationship between man and the world of nature. His first book of poetry, Notes of an Alchemist, has just been published by Scribner's.

This is a true story. Not everyone, however, receives the same truth or exists in the same realm of understanding. I have written an account of this episode because it involves a message and there are those without messages who like to receive them through the medium of others. I myself before this event occurred had perhaps been moved by the sad genius of Thomas Hardy speaking nostalgically of the time when simple country people believed that the oxen

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I groped for the keys to the door and it was only then tha
realized these pains that afflicted me were the result of the e
quence of the unseen cat under the bush. He was not merely s
ing he was lost and complaining about it. With a perfectly am
ing eloquence he was going up and down the scale of animal gri
ance. If I could not completely make out the words, I could co
prehend their gist. This invisible cat was informing me of t
nature of the world, of his deliberate abandonment, of his im
cense of wrong, and of my duties as a human being. Why woul
not respond to him?

It was more than I could bear.

"Remember the regulations about pets," protested my w
"You're getting involved."

Yes, yes," I answered but I came down to dawn and approached push, murmuring some of guilty explanation to its invisible occupant. Explanation of why I could do nothing, protests against his protests, expecting that I was not really heartless but that events— for a moment this dialogue continued. Then the voice in the vicinity ceased. He won't dare to come out, I thought. My conscience is clear. I've talked to him, I've been decent, but there is a cat in my pocket. I have explained—. A silence hovered while the creature considered my obstinate protests and looked me over with night-wise eyes. Suddenly a small gray and white shadow appeared on the snow. The cat had made its decision. It ran directly to me and rolled over on its back in a gesture of trust. I dropped to my knees. The cat, a beautiful young male, rolled from one side to the other while I stroked his stomach. He made some further remarks about cold and being hungry. I felt the dust of travel in my hair. He had come far. He also talked about the dependency of cats upon humankind. He retained faith in them. I shuddered because there was not in me to disillusion him. Besides, I was sustaining a burden of our humanity at Christmas.

"All right, all right," I said, gathering him up into a ball in my arms while he purred with satisfaction.

"But the superintendent—" protested my wife. "He won't let you have him for it."

"He will for a little while," I muttered. "He's got to—we've got to find this cat a home. Look, he talks. I tell you it's like language. He doesn't just meow. He's got emphasis, tone, rhythm. I've never heard a cat behave that way. It's uncanny."

"Well now," said my wife gently. "Maybe the SPCA—"

"No," I said. "He isn't a thoroughbred. He just knows how to talk and they wouldn't discover that right off in an animal shelter. There are too many lost kittens. He'd be put to sleep. There isn't anyone to understand him."

"Oh?" said my wife, discomfited and uneasy. "But who are you going to get to adopt him? Why don't you consult someone who understands talking cats, as you put it? Why don't you consult Mrs. Werkley? Certainly a librarian must know about talking cats and she once had a kitty."

"A grand idea," I said. "Let's take the cat to her right now." The animal in my arms murmured something inaudible, but I made no protest as we crossed the drive.

"Good evening to you, Mrs. Werkley," I said at her door. "We have a problem, uh, that is, er, a cat. But you see it's very unusual. It's a talking cat."

"Is it now?" said Mrs. Werkley, a small gentle woman who had no pets and, like us, could have none. She stood on tiptoe and looked at the creature I held.

"A talking cat? And what does he say?"

"If you will allow me," I said, "I will put him down and you can talk to him for yourself." I dropped the cat gently to the floor.

"And he is lost, you say? Then the dear love must have an address and some milk."

"M'warf," said the cat promptly.

"You see," I said. "He understands English, too."

"We will call him Night Country," said Mrs. Werkley decisively. "After that book of yours. And you did pick him up in the night?"

**...walking
through the world
like a cat
out of Eden**



"Yes," I said, "but the name—." Mrs. Werkley had a flair for the Gothic.

"I have named more cats than you know," Mrs. Werkley informed me severely. "It's a perfectly good name and we must think of how to find him a home. Names help, nice names. It's like selling a book," she appealed to me.

The cat ventured some remote comment that his name was probably Whitey, but no one could be sure. The voice came from underneath the sofa. Night Country was only a pair of eyes receding in the depths of the furniture.

"The egg, oh yes, we have forgotten the egg," cried Mrs. Werkley, her ear carefully attuned to various comments beneath the sofa.

The cat's language is tonal, I thought suddenly. Like Chinese. Pitch and emphasis and a rich range that the egg and milk soon quieted.

"Three eggs for the poor love," added Mrs. Werkley. "Also he will stay with me until we find him a home; he must have distemper shots and a bath. We must find a vet." She looked critically at me. "We must check in the lost columns, we must avoid any charity that might put him to sleep. Meanwhile," and a touch of brisk conspiracy entered her voice, "he will stay here with me."

"We wouldn't think—," protested my wife.

"Ah now," said Mrs. Werkley, "I know about cats and the superintendent rarely comes up here. He will be safe for a few days." On Christmas Eve, I learned later, Night Country had slept in Mrs. Werkley's canopy bed with a pink nose resting on her shoulder.

"The dear one warms Christmas," said Mrs. Werkley, looking up from the floor when we returned on Christmas Day. He reminds me—." I detected a tear shining in her eye and came hastily across to rub the cat's ears. She did not finish.

"I want to keep—."

"None of us can," whispered my wife gently.

"He *can* speak, you are right, he can so," whispered Mrs. Werkley. "He sits in the window while I have a cup of tea and he talks like home—."

She bowed her head, her eyes hidden. I looked away, knowing she was long widowed. The week that followed was a nightmare. I carried Night Country in my arms to two separate veterinarians because, as Mrs. Werkley quickly diagnosed, the first one proved heartless and incompetent.

"Night Country will hate me now," I said bitterly, retrieving him. He staggered from tranquilizers, his pupils were distended until a frightening darkness was all one could see in his eyes. Still he came back unprotesting into my arms. I smuggled him back to his hideout.

In the days that followed he lay on a cushion in Mrs. Werkley's high window and talked about his new home. I detected an unjustified confidence in his voice. (Continued on page 143)

**...messengers
cannot think of
themselves.
They must go on.**





HOUSE & GARDEN VISITS THE LBJ RANCH
TO TALK WITH MRS. LYNDON JOHNSON
ABOUT RENEWING

THE BEAUTY
OF OUR
COUNTRYSIDE





● get wonderful letters from people asking what they can do in their own towns to help beautify," Mrs. Johnson says. "My advice is: A little something beats nothing. If we really mean all this big talk about the environment, it is right here waiting for us." You know some of her ideas have been put to practice as you drive to the LBJ Ranch near Stonewall, Texas. The roads are neat seams in a calico of wildflowers, convincing proof that man and nature can work together. You notice the Johnsons' barn and corrugated iron sheds are painted a sage green to melt into the landscape. As you walk about, asking about local projects and what she hopes will be accomplished, you see friendly verandas and hanging plants, picnic tables under live oak trees, a vegetable patch bordered by nasturtiums, and busy feeders for songbirds and hummingbirds.



● ABOVE: Golden wave of coreopsis surges across a pasture. LEFT: Walkway to house, RIGHT, the Johnsons remodeled as their "forever home."

**"Wild flowers are
the best show in the world
for the least cost."**

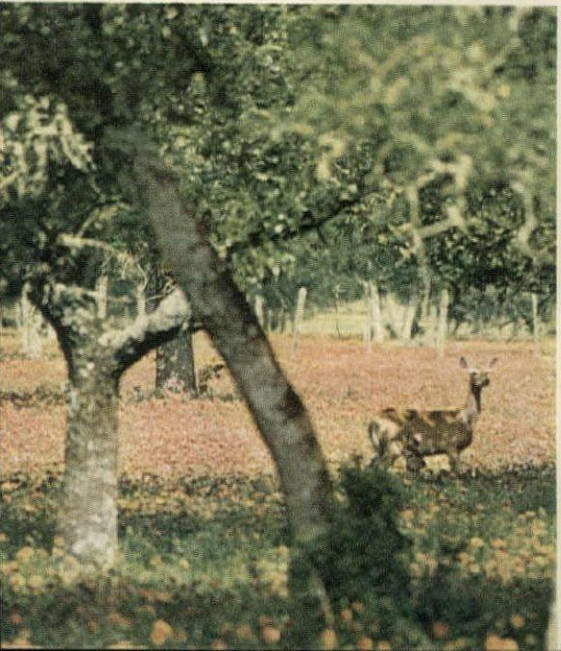
One of my enthusiasms is the planting of wild flowers on the right of ways of highways. This has been going on in Texas for about thirty years, though still not as much as I would like. I believe if those in charge, through citizen pleasure and prodding, know that people value beauty and want to have a scenic drive as well as a safe one, they'll do something about it. So when we came back from Washington, I began giving an award—not much, \$1500—to the highway maintenance foreman who does the best job of his little piece of the world. That is: propagating and preserving stands of wild flowers; taking care of roadside rest stops, those delightful little parks where you can picnic or stretch your legs; planting and caring for the landscaping that was begun under the Highway Beautification Act of 1965, which unfortunately never got funded much. These three criteria determine the award, which we present at a barbecue at the LBJ State Park across the road. The judges are five persons who have shown an interest in the looks of Texas—the head of the parks department, for example; an architect with a sensitive touch for restorations; a newspaperman who is a big Audubon man. Here at the ranch we have put wild flowers along the roads and on both sides of the runway where there was nothing at all but caliche [stony clay]. We did it the same way the highway foremen do. When the flowers are about all gone to seed, but not until then, we mow and harvest and pitchfork them up to a truck and go down to a place where there are no flowers and toss them out. This works on the theory that nature is bountiful and the flowers have already dropped a few hundred seeds back at the first spot. I know of no wild flower nursery around here, so we start with what we can find in a pasture. In Texas there has been a lot of cooperation between the garden clubs and the highway department. Sometimes just insuring that highway plantings will be cared for is a project worthy of clubs or private interest. You can volunteer to water, mow, clean up, fertilize, just as you would in a private garden. On the other side of the coin, here in Stonewall the highway department agreed to plant and maintain areas at the entrances to town if our garden club would buy the plants, and we did. I'm a member of the Johnson City garden club, too,

**"Why shouldn't
highways be
scenic as well
as safe?"**

and we made it our project to help the wonderful new hospital that didn't have a cent in its budget for landscaping and watering. I'm not an old pro at anything, but I try to help. I'm like a child who plants radishes—I like great results." Testimony to Mrs. Johnson's influence, but a park she did not have to put spade or pen to, is the 190-acre Lady Bird Johnson Park in nearby Fredericksburg. On the small plaque at the entrance: "She inspired her countrymen far and near/To love their land and their heritage."

ABOVE RIGHT: A country road as colorful as the road to Oz, bordered by wild red gaillardia and gold coreopsis. "The Texas Highway department has a low-cost method of propagating wild flowers. They wait till they go to seed, then mow and scatter them somewhere else." RIGHT: A meadow of horsemint. "When I see that, I feel I have a Monet." CENTER: Ranch deer. "If only we could spring into action the way they do!" FAR RIGHT: Mrs. Johnson, whose "delight these days is to walk and to look."





A wild-flower walk with Mrs. Lyndon Johnson

"The main purpose of any public planting should be use and enjoyment."

A potentially splendid river front that can be as handsome as any in the country. My friend Mary Lasker who was such a help on my Committee for a More Beautiful Capital in Washington left me with a basic philosophy of beautification: 'Masses of flowers where the masses pass.' One of my own is: Plant it native and hardy. Keep it easy—you're never going to have enough maintenance. Flowers make a good statement and stimulate local pride and support. You must also think of what suits a place, what is indigenous. For this area, we're planting colorful, hardy trees that will make it a river for all seasons: redbud for spring, watermelon-red crepe myrtle for the long summer, bronzed cypress and red oaks for foliage color in the fall, green willows for grace all along the river edge.

If you're going to finish something, you'd also better have a target date. Our goal is a finished project by 1976, the Bicentennial year. I'm a member of Mayor Roy Butler's Citizens' Committee for a More Beautiful Town Lake [the river

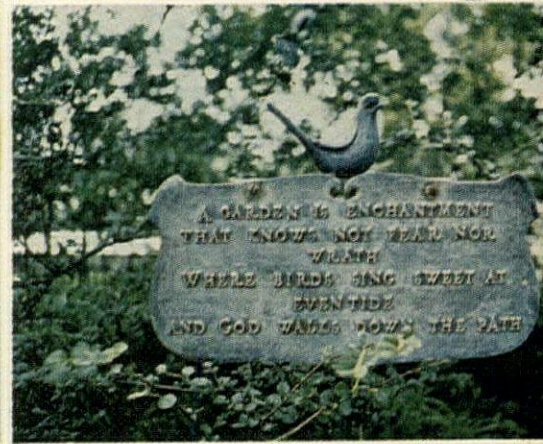
at its widest] and we want to make this a real people-place. We're getting money for hike and bike trails from the federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, and a watering system from Austin's Parks and Recreation Department. But the planting will come, we're hoping, from citizens who want to honor someone or some occasion or enhance the quality of life in that great growing city. Last December, Lyndon made a toast and told me my birthday gift would be for the river, a lovely gift. [Austin papers reported Mrs. Johnson also donated a large sum from sales of her book, *A White House Diary*. Mrs. Albert D. Lasker gave, too.] The Mayor writes every contributor and forwards the name and address to me and I write. Of course, plantings can't prosper without main-

tenance. I was hopeful this need by parks and highways and the need for Job Corps training would coincide. I'm afraid the pay and prestige of other fields overshadowed the appeal of being a gardener. There are many things I would like to see accomplished: funding to expand services at national parks; advertising regulations; buried utility lines in new housing tracts; more respectful handling of land; seminars on environment including cities—each expert to pick up a thread in the vast skein. I believe anything can be done with the right combination of a workable idea, articulate people, and citizens with spirit."

"The highway and LBJ Park projects are launched. My very special new project is getting trees planted on the Austin, Texas, river front. Austin was my capital city long before Washington, and we have a



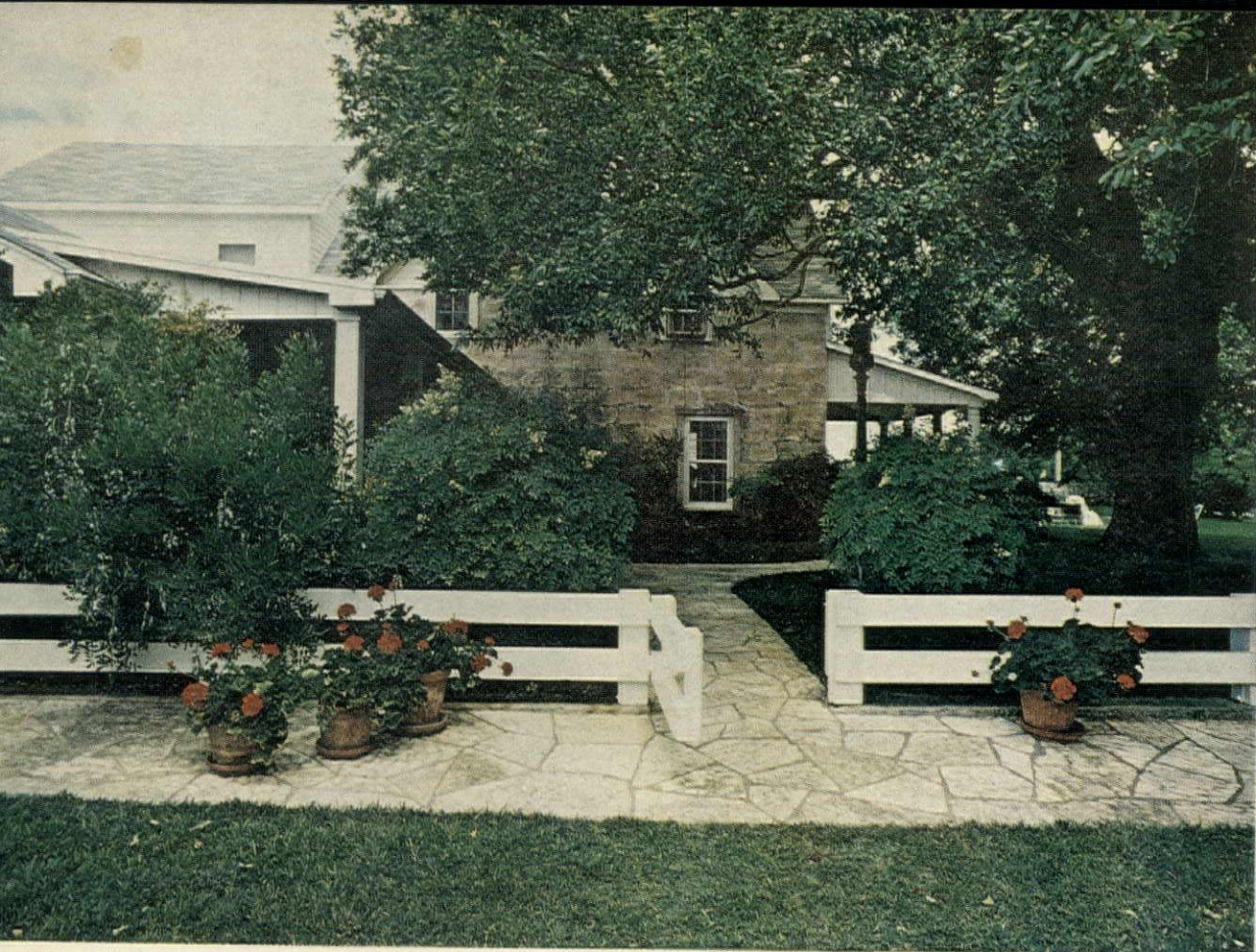
ABOVE: Fording the Pedernales River to LBJ ranch. LEFT: Eagle emblem on porch of 1892 stone house, now living-room wing of ranch house, opposite page. BELOW: Quiet nook in Johnson's garden of hardy trees and shrubs, day lilies, roses. DEAN BRO



"We must give the profession of working with plants new importance."

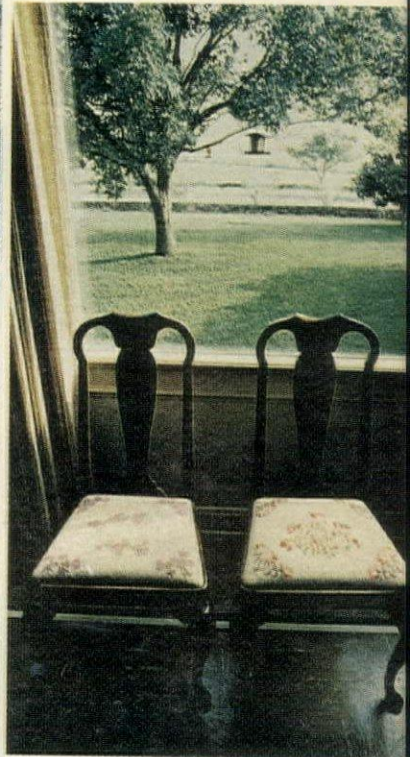
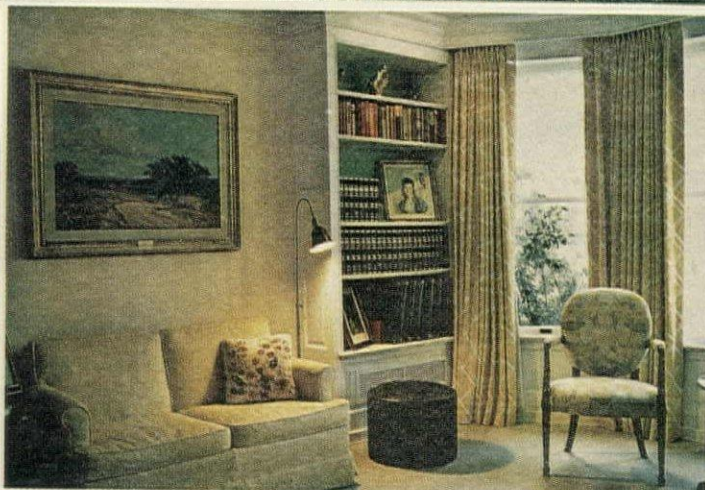


ABOVE LEFT: Propagated wild flower at LBJ State Park across from ranch. ABOVE: Mrs. Johnson discussing Austin river front with city parks superintendent Jack Robinson, and parks and recreation director Beverly Sheffield. She writes to thank contributors to this project.

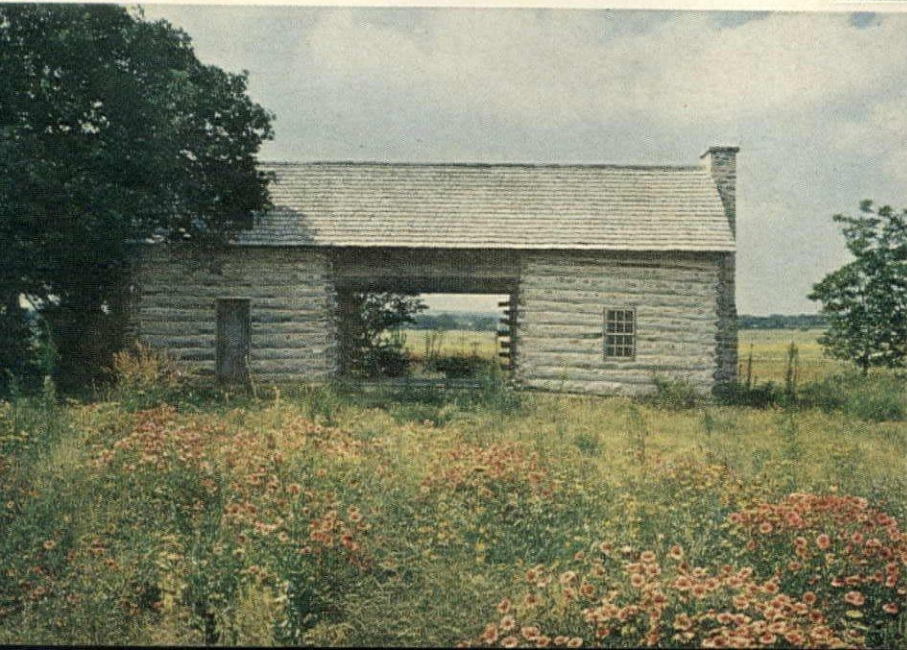


"I love wild flowers in profusion and each flower in its season."

"Plant it native and hardy and make maintenance a part of your plan."



Top: Red geraniums in terra-cotta tubs welcome guests at the side gate. Indoor bouquets bloom in stoneware, milk glass, copper ("In fall I like to put a bunch of sunflowers in a big copper vase—my own Van Gogh"). ABOVE: Needlepoint bouquet, of bluebonnets, poppies, a dozen Texas flowers, was stitched by a friend, Mrs. Alfred W. Negley, for library-sitting room. Designed by Janet Shook, who worked with Mrs. Johnson on planning needlepoint for dining-room chairs, it is "a bouquet available to anyone." (More about pillow, page 68.) BELOW: Double log cabin on LBJ State Park site was preserved as a heritage from hill country pioneers.



ABOVE: "One of my projects when we left the White House was to have the dining-room chairs done, each by a friend and with a different flower of the area." Wild flowers, ABOVE LEFT, and some of the needlepoint they inspired for the twelve Queen Anne chairs, starting counterclockwise below the flower patch: Indian paintbrush by Mrs. George R. Brown; coreopsis by Mrs. Tyler D. Abell; gaillardia by Mrs. J. Lee Johnson; and at the window next to paintbrush chair, wild verbena by Mrs. A. W. Moursund. The Johnson grandchildren watch birds at feeders, sit on Sears catalogues kept "handy for little children to reach the dinner table."

A PEACEABLE KINGDOM OF NEEDLEPOINT ANIMALS



The lion lies down with the lamb and all the animals dwell in harmony, just like the Edward Hicks painting, in a needlepoint menagerie designed by Louis J. Gartner, Jr. The beguiling animals are all three-dimensional and come in kits, each with a base and a back to needlepoint as well as a front. The animal can be stuffed with down or Dacron to make soft pillows or weighted to sit on the floor and hold the door. They could sit under the Christmas tree after the packages are gone or on a window sill in the sun—they're so cheerful to have around.

The inspiration was the original "Tabby Cat" of 1892, a totally believable animal printed on calico with a front, back, and base. Plump Tabby became a famous, much-loved household cat and actually started the American folk art of making stuffed animals for children's toys and for doorstops. The charming animals on these pages, although needlepoint instead of printed, are near replicas of the old-fashioned calico toys, taken from actual examples in the collection of the Museum of the City of New York. The lion, lamb, and dog are the only contemporary designs in the menagerie. All are destined to become household pets.

The kits include handpainted, 14-mesh mono canvas, beautifully matched Persian yarns and needles. Monkey, \$60; rabbit, \$50; lamb, \$70; lion, \$70; cat, \$60; dog, \$60. Animals stand a little over 13 inches high, reclining lion and lamb are approximately 8-by-15 inches. All are at Bergdorf Goodman. The designer, Louis J. Gartner, Jr., is the author of Needlepoint Design (a House & Garden book, Morrow, \$15.95).



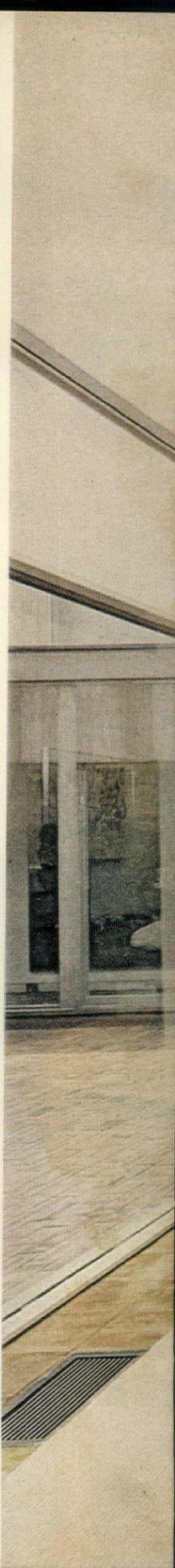
Designed for a couple who decided to rethink their living priorities

NA NEW-WAY- OF-LIFE HOUSE

Cupped in a tree-green curve of Long Island Sound, this is the new home of a man and his wife, far younger in heart than in years, who love and collect modern art with total dedication. After living for decades in an old Colonial house jammed with memorabilia, they found it was becoming stultifying, an albatross, and that the only way to escape it was a new life in a new house as contemporary as their paintings and sculpture. Adventure for themselves, a sympathetic background for their collection. They got both, in what might be called beautiful spades. To help them create the house were Philip Ives Associates, architects; Russell C. Cecil, associate in charge; interior designer John Saladino, and landscape architect Robert Malkin. The landscaping associate was Nathaniel Hess.

TOM YEE

Built entirely of redwood treated with a bleaching oil to hurry along its silvering, the house, *top left*, is built on a single level except for a 4-story tower that soars like a little citadel. In it, from bottom to top, are a study, a guest room and bath, a storeroom for paintings, and a studio. (The man of the house paints with great dash, and not always on Sunday.) Going up or down, one has the choice of a staircase or a velvet-carpet-lined elevator. To bring maximal light to the rooms, the house is wrapped like a Roman villa around an open courtyard or atrium, *right*, a lovely place, quiet as a cloister, with a gate in one corner—a swinging “front door.” To help accommodate the owners’ constantly growing art collection, a skylighted gallery, *far right*, borders one side of the atrium, where it makes a brilliant introduction to the house. Among its prides at the moment (the collection travels a lot) are a Plexiglas sculpture by Louise Nevelson, an enormous Adolph Gottlieb, a wood sculpture by Lucas Samaras called, reasonably enough, “Chair,” a Matisse bronze near the steps, which lead down to the living room, *top center*, and the open dining wing at its left.

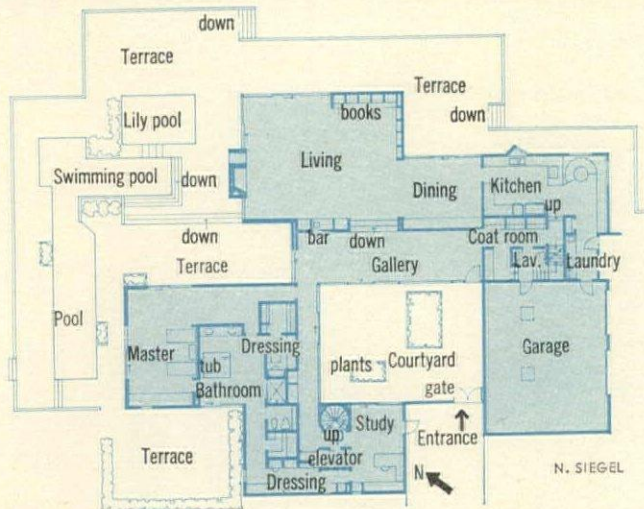






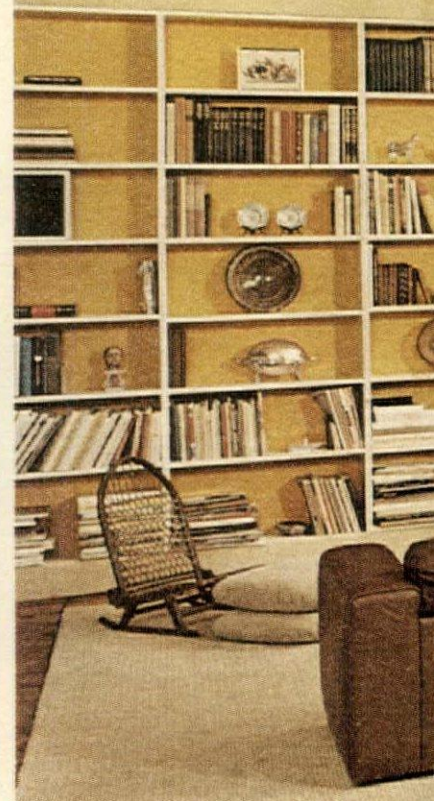


In a new-way-of-life house LIVING AND ENTERTAINING ARE CENTERED IN ONE BIG ROOM



The plan, left: Far from huge, yet far from simple, the house winds around its inner court in two major sections—one, the active area, consists of the kitchen, dining room, gallery, and living room. The other, completely private, holds the master bedroom and bath, the study, and a beautifully planned complex of dressing rooms, closets, a lavatory, and a sauna used as zealously as if it were steaming in Finland. For building materials and equipment, see page 97.

Seen from the road, the house, top, has the silhouette of a cluster of geometric forms—some flat-topped, some higher and truncated so their roofs slope, all of them put together to look like a tiny village. But no gingerbread. The lines are clean. Since the courtyard is more or less a walled garden, it is on this side of the house. Its view is built in, and it is also a guest's passageway to the house. On the Sound side, however, there is no cloistering. Each major room opens to one of a series of connected terraces overlooking the tree-fringed water.

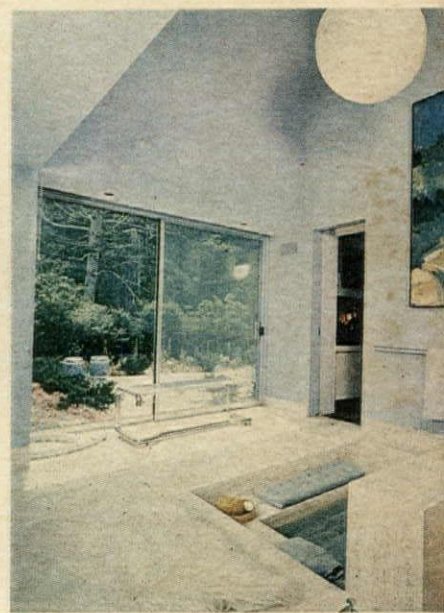


After years of living in a honeycomb of unipurpose rooms, the owners asked for a living room that would encompass everything. So, in one sweep of space, the big conversation center, above and far right, is curled around the fireplace. (Above it, a John Singer Sargent, the family's first important acquisition.) The "library" is a book-lined corner, above right, defined by furniture and a Paolozzi sculpture; the dining room next to it is an open ell (the beautiful bristle on the sideboard is a congregation of Giacometti figures), and cards are played and lunch often served on a Parsons table upholstered, legs and all, in striped wool and topped with glass. The kitchen, right, is an easy-upkeep room lined with Formica and vinyl. It is the only white room in the house. Almost everywhere, the background tint is a warm beige; Mexican terra-cotta tiles cover most of the floors, and the accents are all taken from the paintings or inspired by one of the owners' favorite flowers—marigolds. The



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Although the children of this household are all grown, *their* children are not, and whenever they can, they come visiting. The guest room in the tower is theirs, and the swimming pool, *above*, was designed for them to grow up to—and in. The section near the steps is very shallow, a paddle-pool. Then comes a chest-high area, and at right angles to it, a long deep channel for diving and the Australian Crawl. This length parallels the master bedroom, *right*, so that the master, who likes early-morning dips, can almost dive in from his bed. Plunge over, he goes dripping wet into the master bath, *center right*, and from there, into his shower. Later in the day, non-swimmers can sun on the terrace steps or the terrace itself and admire the lily pond and an incredible metal sculpture, *top right*, by Lucas Samaras. This beautiful thing can also be seen from the gallery where, head-on, it looks like a screen made of calligraphy. Another sculpture, just as fascinating, is a marble by Hajdu, capping a plinth in one of the bedroom windows. To its right is a painting by Fairfield Porter, and to *its* right, a David Park. The orange hat of the young lady in the Park painting gave interior designer John Saladino the cue for the color of the rug, the bedspreads, and the upholstery of the bed-niche. The fabric was quilted to give it a third dimension, then cut on the bias. The rug was woven and dyed to match. Perfectionism. Since the color is the hottest orange a marigold can come up with, the owners love it. On a sun-flooded morning, however, it can be a bit too hot, so there are two sets of curtains. Those nearest the glass are electrically drawn with the push of a button, a trick that delights the owners—when they can find the right button. Throughout the house, cooling, heat, lighting, and the sound of music are all similarly controlled.



HOUSE & GARDEN COOK BOOK *WINE & FOOD
FOR PRESENTS
AND PARTIES*



WINE & FOOD FOR PRESENTS AND PARTIES

COOKIES AND CAKES, TO MAKE FOR PARTIES OR TO GIVE AWAY

Joan Berg Victor's Gingerbread Cookies

Mrs. Victor bakes 2 versions of her cookies (see November, page 91): one is only slightly gingery and not too strong for young children; this one has a more pronounced ginger flavor.

4½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
3 tablespoons light brown sugar
(not granulated)

1 tablespoon ginger

1½ teaspoons baking soda

1¼ cups light molasses

½ cup unsalted butter

¼ cup milk

1 egg

Sugar Frostings (see recipes below)

Combine flour, sugar, ginger, and baking soda. Heat molasses with butter until it just boils. Stir in milk, then beat in egg. Add molasses mixture to flour mixture and stir until smooth. Wrap dough in foil and refrigerate overnight.

Roll out to ⅛-¼-inch thickness on a piece of lightly floured aluminum foil. Cut in different shapes with cookie cutters or make your own creations with a knife. Pull away excess dough and put foil with cookies on a cookie sheet. Bake in a 350° oven for 15 minutes. Decorate with sugar frostings.

Matte Opaque Frosting

4 egg whites

4 teaspoons cream of tartar

2 pounds confectioners sugar (use less for thinner "paint")

Vegetable coloring

Lemon juice, if necessary

Wine & food for presents and parties PRESENTS

An *edible Christmas card* the shape of a gingerbread man and made from springerle dough (a German cookie dough) is baked and popped into the mails by Karen and George Lang, who decorate their holiday greeting with sugar icing.

Small tubs of pâté can be turned into *festive topiary trees* as Lee Strathearn does by studding a Styrofoam ball with parsley, setting it on a dowel and in the pâté—she suggests pickled button mushrooms and cherry tomatoes on toothpicks as ornaments, too—keeps them fresh in plastic bags in the refrigerator. Mrs. Strathearn also bakes a marvelous brioche in a flowerpot ("a perfect Turk's head mold"), tucks a sprig of holly into the top to take to friends.

Jamaica-based writer Alex Hawkes, who has written a new *Rum Cookbook* (Collins), gives friends bottles of spiced rum for Christmas that they can top up later with hot apple cider for *an aromatic rum drink*. Mix up in a large crock or jug the following: (quantities here for 1): 1½ jiggers Jamaica rum, 1 teaspoon cane or maple syrup, 1 teaspoon granulated sugar, 1 tablespoon lime or lemon juice, and a lime or lemon slice stuck with whole cloves. Friends fill up at serving time with hot apple cider.

A *gay permanent wreath* is made for gifts by Wade Benton who combines garlic heads and red chili peppers (dried).

For a *cook-ahead gift*, Emalee Chapman bakes tiny tart shells, stores them in airtight tins to be filled later with homemade green-gage plum or strawberry jams, mincemeat, or lemon curd, and packs them on a tray as a holiday gift.

A single *tall bottle of German wine*, or raspberry or pear eau de vie, looks decorative when plunged into a moss-filled cachepot of chicken wire as Mrs. Dee Dee Faye does; she then studs it with white berries. She also pulverizes a selection of herbs in the blender, packs them in small gift baskets to be set out as *aromatic potpourri* that can be sprinkled into the cooking pot, too.

A *cinnamon-spiced maple syrup* is concocted by Elizabeth Brooke who combines 1 cup maple syrup and ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon in a saucepan. She brings it to a boil and adds chopped nuts—walnuts or pecans; pours into pretty apothecary jars and antique crocks to give away.

Tiny beet balls made with a melon baller are steeped in jars of dilled vinegar by Bruce Bolton who gives them away as tangy accompaniments to drinks.

PARTIES WITH A FESTIVE TOUCH

Turn *ice cubes into Christmas baubles* to dunk in a holiday drink by adding half a dozen cranberries to each mold of the freezer tray as Mrs. Leonard Birnbaum does. For another *stunning party drink*, she soaks the sections from 2 oranges in ½ cup yellow

We've collected ideas from clever cooks and imaginative party givers for new excitement in holiday food and parties; Christmas feasts, from a lavish Greek buffet to a new way with a turkey that has a marvelous tangerine flavor; Christmas baking ideas to provide cakes, puddings, and an assortment of cookies, cheering drinks, and decorative pâtés for holiday eating and holiday giving.

Combine egg whites, cream of tartar, and sugar and beat slowly with an electric beater until smooth and creamy. Divide into desired number of portions and tint each with vegetable coloring. Lemon juice can be used to thin the frosting if necessary. Paint it onto cookies with a brush.

Translucent Glaze

Mix egg yolk with vegetable coloring. This can be used for stripes on the clothes, color in the cheeks, or painted over the matte frosting to make it shiny.

Mary McNulty's Carrot Pound Cake

Miss McNulty bakes this unusual cake in a Bundt pan and gives the cake as a present right in the pan. She then suggests sprinkling the cake with powdered sugar before serving.

1½ cups vegetable oil
3 cups self-rising cake flour
⅛ teaspoon salt

2 cups sugar

1 teaspoon cinnamon

4 eggs

1 cup chopped nuts (such as walnuts or pecans)

2 cups grated raw carrots

1 cup shredded coconut

Butter, flour

Pour oil into mixing bowl. Sift together flour, salt, sugar, and cinnamon and mix into oil alternately with eggs, mixing well after each addition. Add nuts, carrots, and coconut and blend well. Butter and flour a 10-inch Bundt pan and bake in a 325° oven for 1 hour.

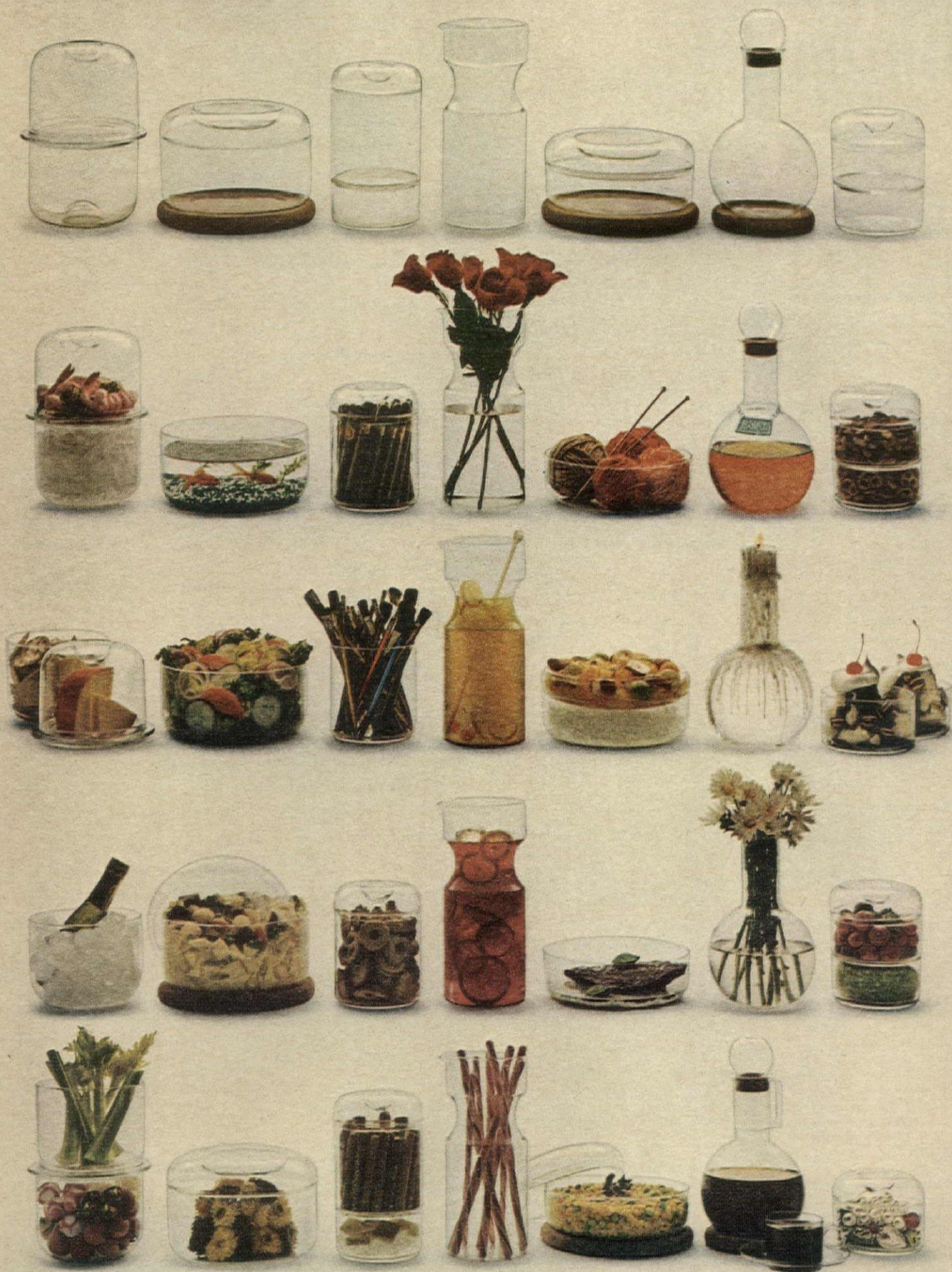
Sarah Blake's Romance Cookies

1 cup flour

2 tablespoons sugar

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Creative Glass.
First you buy it. Then you decide what to do with it.



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¼ pound butter
2 eggs, beaten
1½ cups dark brown sugar
3 tablespoons flour
½ teaspoon baking powder
1 cup walnut meats, coarsely chopped
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine 1 cup flour, sugar, and butter and mix with a pastry blender or hands until well blended. Put it into an 8- or 9-inch square pan, patting it down to make a smooth layer. Bake in a 350° oven for 15 minutes.

Meanwhile combine the eggs, brown sugar, flour, baking powder, walnuts, and vanilla. Pour over the partially cooked dough, return to oven, and bake 20-25 minutes. Let cool a few minutes, then cut into squares.

Annabelle Clinton's Orange Fruit Cake

Annabelle Clinton of Springfield, Mo., says that this is not a cake to whip up in a hurry. She usually spends a whole day and bakes at least four to give to special friends.

Butter, flour for preparing pan
½ pound margarine
2 cups sugar
4 eggs
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ cup buttermilk
3½ cups flour
2 tablespoons grated orange zest
½ cup coconut flakes
1 cup nuts
1 package dates
Salt
1 cup fresh orange juice

Butter and flour a tube pan. Cream margarine and sugar in a large mixing bowl until smooth. Add eggs and beat until fluffy. Put soda in buttermilk to dissolve. Mix ½ cup flour with orange zest, coconut, nuts, and dates, then mix in a pinch of salt. Gradually add remaining flour to butter mixture and mix thoroughly. Slowly blend in buttermilk, then fold in fruit mixture. The batter will be very thick as the buttermilk is the only liquid—it is best to use a large electric mixer; a hand

mixer is not powerful enough to do the job.

Pour batter into prepared cake pan and bake in a 325° oven for 1¼-1½ hours. Check cake for doneness after 1¼ hours by inserting an icepick (the cake is very high). When ice pick comes out clean, cake is done.

While cake is baking, heat orange juice just enough so that sugar will dissolve in it. When cake is done, make holes the whole depth of the cake all over the top about 1 inch apart. Pour the orange juice mixture over, gently pulling the cake from the sides of the pan so that the juice mixture also coats the sides. Return the cake to the oven for 5 minutes, then remove and put on a rack until cooled thoroughly. Then invert the cake onto the rack and let stand 24 hours before removing it from pan. Remove pan carefully so that the cake does not tear.

It is best to make this cake 1 at a time as the batter is very thick and heavy. The cake keeps well and freezes beautifully.

Mrs. Frances W. Robinson's Steamed Carrot Pudding

This recipe, the traditional Christmas dessert of the Robinsons, who live in Mogadore, Ohio, is from *The Craftsman's Cookbook*, edited by Lois Moran and recently published by the American Crafts Council.

1 cup peeled and finely grated raw potatoes
1 cup scraped and finely grated raw carrots
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup sugar
1 cup flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon cinnamon
½ cup melted butter
1 cup raisins or currants
1 teaspoon butter, soft
Hard sauce

Put raw potatoes and carrots into a sieve and press hard with the back of a spoon to squeeze out liquid. Transfer to a bowl.

Sift together the baking soda, sugar, flour, salt, and cinnamon and stir mixture into the grated vegetables. Add the melted butter and mix well to incorporate it into the batter. Fold in the raisins or currants, stirring to distribute them evenly.

Grease a 1-quart pudding mold with butter. Pour in the carrot mixture, then cover mold with heavy-duty aluminum foil and tie it securely in place. Put the mold in a steamer, add boiling water to within 1 inch of the top of the mold, cover the steamer, and steam for 2½ hours, adding more boiling water if necessary. To serve, run a knife around the edge of the pudding. Put a serving platter over mold, invert platter and mold, shake, and pudding should slide out easily. Serve steaming hot with hard sauce. Serves 6 to 8.

Mrs. John Allan's Pecan Cookies

1 cup butter, soft
½ cup sugar
2 cups sifted flour
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 tablespoon water
2 generous cups pecans, finely ground in blender
Pecan halves

Cream butter and sugar until fluffy and smooth. Sift together flour and salt and blend into butter mixture with vanilla, water, and ground pecans. Mix well, cover, and chill until dough is firm. Shape into ¾-inch balls, put them on ungreased cookie sheets, and press a pecan half into the top of each. Bake in a 325° oven about 20 minutes. Store in an airtight container. Makes about 7 dozen.

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3 pounds fresh spinach
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½ pound butter, more if necessary

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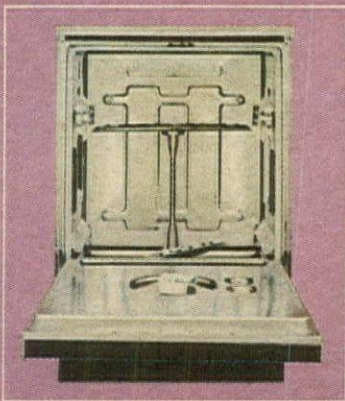
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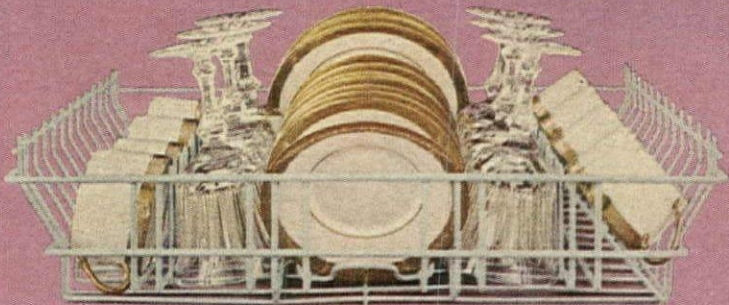
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2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1/2 pound feta cheese, crumbled
1/4 pound Romano cheese, grated
4 eggs, lightly beaten
1/2 cup chopped fresh dill
Salt, freshly ground pepper
Nutmeg
1 pound phyllo pastry

Clean spinach and cook, covered, with just the water clinging to the leaves for 5 minutes. Drain, squeeze out water, and chop finely. Remove thick stems from watercress and chop. Sauté green onions in 4 tablespoons butter for 5 minutes. Mix green onions with spinach, watercress, parsley, feta cheese, Romano cheese,

eggs, and dill, and season to taste with salt, pepper, and nutmeg.

Melt remaining butter. Lay out a sheet of phyllo pastry, brush with butter, and put another sheet of pastry on top. Cover pastry not yet used with a damp towel to prevent its drying out. Brush with butter, and continue until there are 8 sheets of buttered phyllo. Put in a buttered baking pan 1-2 inches deep, about the size of the pastry (sizes vary with different manufacturers; cut pastry in half and use 2 pans if necessary). Spread on filling, then cover with 8 more sheets of buttered pastry. Brush

top with butter. Cut into 2-inch squares and bake in a 300° oven for 50 minutes. Makes 4-5 dozen squares for hors d'oeuvres.

Cheese-filled Phyllo Pastry Triangles

1/2 pound feta cheese, crumbled
1 cup grated Romano cheese
4 eggs
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 cup fresh white bread crumbs
Dill, freshly grated Parmesan (optional)
1 pound phyllo pastry
Melted butter

Make the filling: mix the feta cheese, Romano cheese, eggs,

nutmeg, and bread crumbs. Add some dill and grated Parmesan if desired.

Cut sheets of phyllo pastry into strips 2 1/2 inches wide. Lay out a strip (phyllo will not dry out if you work on a damp dish towel and cover pastry not being used with a damp cloth), brush with melted butter, and cover with another strip of phyllo. Put a teaspoon of filling in center 1 inch in from end of strip and fold corner of phyllo diagonally over spoon into a triangle, using pastry to push filling off spoon. Keep folding triangle, patting it together after each fold, until strip is finished. Put on a buttered jellyroll pan and continue until pastry and filling are used. Brush tops with butter. Bake in a 300° oven for 40 minutes. May be frozen or refrigerated, to be reheated before serving. Makes about 60.

Moussaka

1 medium onion, chopped
1/2 pound butter
2 pounds ground sirloin
Salt, freshly ground pepper
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 pound fresh tomatoes, peeled, seeded, and chopped
1 wine glass dry red wine
2 pounds eggplant
2 pounds zucchini
1 1/2 pounds potatoes
Olive oil
Butter
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1 cup grated Romano cheese
3 tablespoons flour
2 cups milk, boiling
5 eggs

Sauté onion in half the butter until transparent, about 10 minutes. Add ground sirloin, salt and pepper to taste, cinnamon, and nutmeg and cook gently for 15 minutes, breaking meat up with a fork. Add tomatoes and wine and cook over medium heat, covered, for 25 minutes. Remove from heat.

Slice eggplant, zucchini, and potatoes about 1/2 inch thick and brown slices on both sides in olive oil. Butter a 3-inch deep baking dish about 10-by-12 inches. Put in a layer of 1/3 of the

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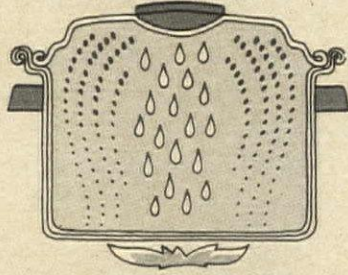


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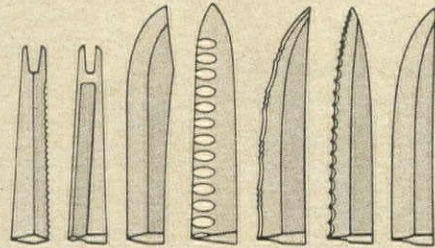
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vegetables, then a layer of $\frac{1}{2}$ of the meat mixture, and sprinkle with parsley and cheese. Repeat layers, ending with a layer of vegetables.

Mix remaining butter and flour (do not melt butter first) in a heavy saucepan and cook over low heat for 10 minutes to make roux. Stir in milk, then eggs, and cook until thickened. Pour sauce over top and bake in a 300°-325° oven for 45 minutes, until vegetables are tender. Serves 8.

Shrimp Tourkalimano

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup chopped onion
 $\frac{1}{3}$ cup combined butter and olive oil
2 cloves garlic
Rosemary
1 bay leaf
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup dry white wine
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups fresh tomatoes, peeled, seeded, and chopped
3 pounds jumbo shrimp, shelled and deveined
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup grated kefalotyri cheese

Sauté onion in butter and oil for 10 minutes. Tie garlic, a pinch of rosemary, and bay leaf in cheesecloth and add to onion. Cook gently for 10 minutes, then discard herb bag. Add wine and tomatoes to onions and simmer $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Just before serving, add shrimp, parsley, and cheese, cover, and cook gently 10 minutes over medium heat. Serve with rice with mushrooms. Serves 8.

Baklava

1 pound each almonds and walnuts, finely chopped or coarsely ground in blender
 $3\frac{1}{4}$ cups granulated sugar
2 tablespoons cinnamon
1 pound phyllo pastry
Melted butter
1 cup Greek honey
2 cinnamon sticks
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon whole cloves
4 lemon slices
Freshly ground pistachios

Mix together the almonds, walnuts, $1\frac{1}{4}$ cups sugar, and cinnamon. Cut the phyllo pastry lengthwise into strips about 5-6 inches wide and set aside cov-

ered with a lightly dampened towel. Put 2 small strips of wood on work counter 2 inches apart to make groove—it is best to glue them to table. Lay a strip of pastry over the strips, the center falling into the groove. Fold over about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the strip to shorten it. Brush pastry with butter. Sprinkle about 1 tablespoon of the filling down the center, fold in the sides, and roll up. Continue until the filling and pastry are used. Brush a shallow baking pan with butter and arrange the rolls in rows in one layer. Brush tops with melted butter and bake in a 300° oven for 40 minutes.

Make the syrup: Boil together the remaining sugar, honey, cinnamon sticks, cloves, and lemon slices for 15-30 minutes over low heat, until the syrup thickens. Ladle the hot syrup over the hot baklava. Sprinkle ground pistachios on top. Serve at room temperature. Makes about 50.

JOAN LORRING'S CHRISTMAS TURKEY

An actress (and Academy Award nominee for her role in *The Corn Is Green*) Joan Loring is a passionate cook, delving into her childhood in China and much traveling in her development of inspiring dishes. This rather off-beat Christmas turkey is a favorite with her family.

Turkey with Tangerine Skins

20-25-pound fresh turkey
3 large onions, cut into sixths
Peanut oil
3 cups dry vermouth
Zest of 2-3 tangerines, peeled with vegetable peeler into long strips (reserve tangerines for salad)
12 whole star anise, crushed, available in Chinese or Latin American markets (or 3-4 teaspoons anis extract)
8 3-inch pieces cinnamon sticks broken up, or 2 tablespoons ground cinnamon
18 whole cloves

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Izarra or brandy, adds the sections to ice trays $\frac{3}{4}$ full of water; spill the cubes into stemmed wine glasses and tops up with Krite sparkling white wine.

Each Christmas **party place setting** at Emalee Chapman is brightened with a tiny fragrant bouquet of fresh rosemary.

A **Christmasy hors d'oeuvre** of cherry tomatoes stuffed with a mixture of chopped watercress, cream cheese, and lemon juice is made by Chuck Williams who flies a flag of watercress on e-

CHRISTMAS CHEERS

A **traditional Fish House Punch** is made by The National Trust for Historic Preservation's Frederick Haupt III. Make a sugar syrup by cooking 1 quart water and 1 pound dark brown sugar until sugar dissolves. Cool and mix in $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups lemon juice (fresh or frozen reconstituted). Add a fifth of light Puerto Rican rum (such as Ronrico), a fifth of dark Puerto Rican rum, a fifth of brandy ("domestic will do"), $\frac{1}{2}$ pint dark Jamaican rum, and about $\frac{1}{2}$ cup peach brandy. This makes a bit more than a gallon serving in a punch bowl ("I usually serve it on the rocks"), plus over an ice block and very thinly sliced lemons.

Egg drinks are full of the holiday spirit. Here's a whole story of them: Marian Burros likes **zabaglione**—beats 6 egg yolks, gradually adds 6 tablespoons sugar and $\frac{3}{4}$ cup marsala; then whisks it over boiling water until custard foams and thickens. She serves it warm in a champagne glass with a spoon.

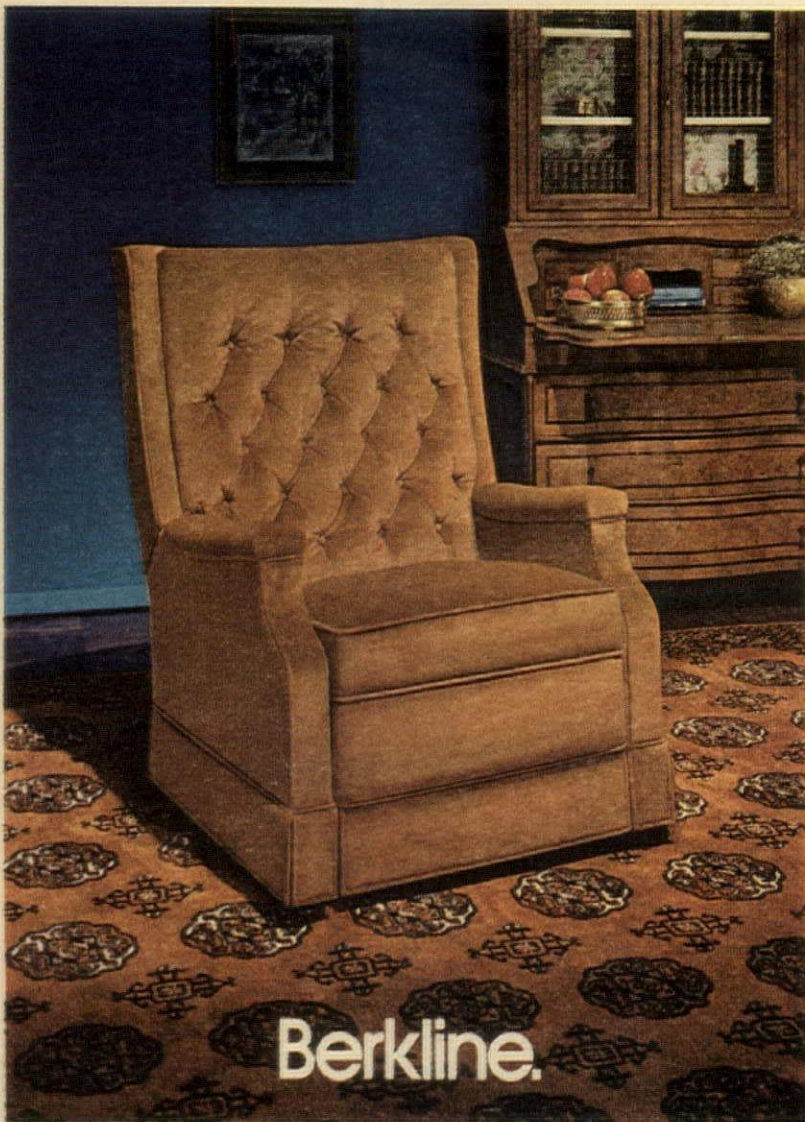
For another **Christmas fizz**, shake 2 ounces white Porto with $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce brandy, a whole egg, and ice. Pour into a wine glass and dust with nutmeg. Or there's the **eggless nog**, an invention of Manhattan's Flower Drum restaurant: Mix $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce coconut extract, 3 ounces pineapple juice, $\frac{1}{2}$ scoop vanilla ice cream, $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce rum or brandy, and $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce Cointreau in a cocktail shaker or blender. Sprinkle with cinnamon.

Champagne partners orange nicely at holiday time; mix gently $1\frac{1}{2}$ ounces J&B Scotch, the juice of an orange, and 2 teaspoons powdered sugar in a glass with ice as you top up with champagne. Garnish with a slice of lemon, a cherry.

Sherry Ambrosia is an unusual twist on a holiday favorite. Mrs. Otto Meyer makes it by filling a handsome bowl with alternate layers of thinly sliced oranges, brown sugar, and shredded coconut, drenches with a glass of Paul Masson Fine Sherry (Madeira) and chills. She also makes 2 **refreshing starts to bumper feast**: one by sprinkling chilled thinly sliced oranges with Paul Masson Madeira and a few grains of salt. The other, a frothy white wine ice, makes a tangy accompaniment to roast pork, turkey. To make it, stir together 3 cups of Paul Masson Chenin Blanc, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar, and 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice. Freeze in a shallow pan. Break into small pieces, then beat until mixture is mushy and smooth. Freeze again until firm.

Glaze a **holiday ham with bourbon**. Actress Elizabeth Brooke mixes 1 cup each of bourbon and firmly packed brown sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon ground cloves, and 1 teaspoon grated orange zest. Stir until sugar is dissolved. About 30 minutes before ham is cooked, she spreads half the glaze over ham; bastes with remaining glaze until ham is done.

For a children's holiday party, let guests have fun making **doughnut ice-cream sandwiches**, suggests Felipe Rojas-Lombardi, author of *The A to Z No-Cook Cookbook* (R-L Creations). Carefully slice doughnuts in half horizontally, then pull out some of the soft center. Fill with softened ice cream—and chopped nuts—and sprinkle with colored sugars or confectioners sugar.



Furniture 1660-1880 (Dutton, \$33.50) by Dean A. Fales, Jr., offers superb examples of painted chairs, chests, tables, beds, clocks, boxes—just about every useful and decorative object for the home. The color reproduction is outstanding.

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Art Deco, A Guide for Collectors (Potter, \$12.50) by Katharine Morrison McClinton shows the very best of this decorative style of the twenties and thirties and some of the gaudiest, and describes the movement's background and history, including its current resurgence of popularity.

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Books and records to give for Christmas

BY JEROME DENNER

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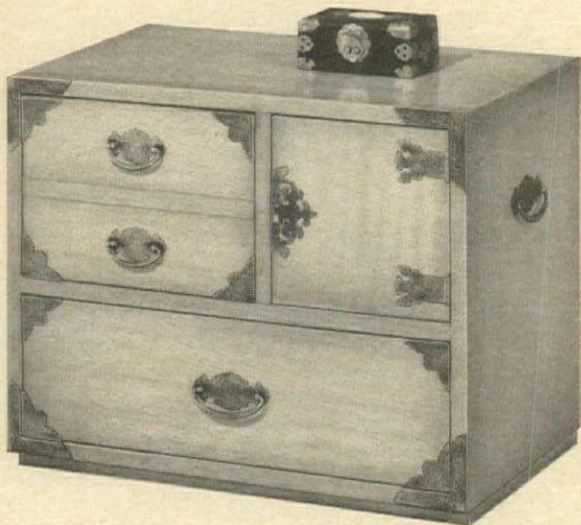


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until Jan. 1; then \$30) by Claude Arthaud has to be seen to be believed. It's subtitled "Fantastic Houses and Their Treasures"—and what fantasies! The grotesque castles of Ludwig of Bavaria; Brighton's Royal Pavilion; Niki de Saint-Phalle's surrealistic extravaganza in Provence; Hearst's St. Simeon; and many more. Lavishly illustrated with exteriors and interiors of these far-out dwellings, the book should have you gasping in amazement, amusement, wonder. . . . At the other end of the scale, deceptively simple and serene, are the buildings illustrated in *The Classic Tradition in Japanese Architecture* (Weatherhill, \$35) by Futagawa and Itoh. These are modern adaptations of classic Japanese architecture, uncluttered, lovely to behold.

American architecture of the past gets a going over in *The Victorian Home in America* (Hawthorn, \$19.95) by John Maass. The Gothics, the French, the Orientals, the octagons, the wildly gingerbread are all here in photographs and drawings. . . . *Great Houses of American History* (Potter, \$25) by Andrew H. Hepburn, includes homes of settlers, patriots, writers, empire builders. Some, like Monticello, are great architecturally; others are important because they typify a period or belonged to a major historic character—all have their interest. . . . A fine gift for the serious student of architecture, *Baroque Architecture* (Abrams, \$25) by Christian Norberg-Schulz is one of a projected 13-volume series (*Renaissance Architecture* is also available). The book is thorough, scholarly, informative; the photographs and drawings complement the text beautifully.

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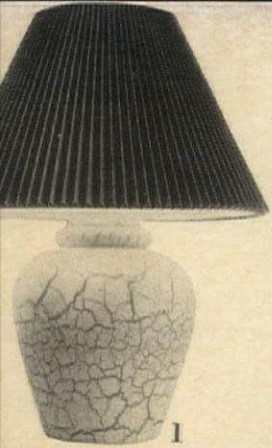
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FOR FLOWER FANCIERS: Frances Perry's *Flowers of the World* (Crown, \$19.95 until Jan. 1; then \$22.50) is a lavish book—lavish in size, lavish in color—every page alive with beautifully painted flowers by Leslie Greenwood. Although it's an excellent encyclopedia, it's worth the price even if all you want to do is look. . . . *The Strange and Beautiful World of Orchids* (Van Nostrand Reinhold, \$20) by Friedrich Ebel and Otfried Birnbaum contains full-page, full-color photographs of 70 different varieties of orchids. The text has all the mundane details of morphology, systematics, ecology—fine for a Nero Wolfe—but it's Mr. Birnbaum's photographs the average reader will cherish.

OFFBEAT COOK BOOKS FOR ADVENTUROUS COOKS: Assembled by Lois Moran, *The Craftsman's Cookbook* (American Crafts Council, \$5.95) is a collection of favorite recipes from artisans throughout the country who are primarily known for their handcrafts. Each dish, you'll be glad to know, has been thoroughly tested. This unusual collection is available only at the Museum of Contemporary Crafts in New York City or by mail from American Crafts Council, 44 W. 53rd St., New York, N. Y., 10019. . . . *Marny Clifford's Washington Cookbook* (Dutton, \$10) is by the wife of former Secretary of Defense Clark Clifford. An eminent Washington hostess, she gives her favorite recipes plus many from other governmental sources—embassies, senators' wives, First Ladies. . . . For other cook books you will want to give as house gifts, please turn to page 90.

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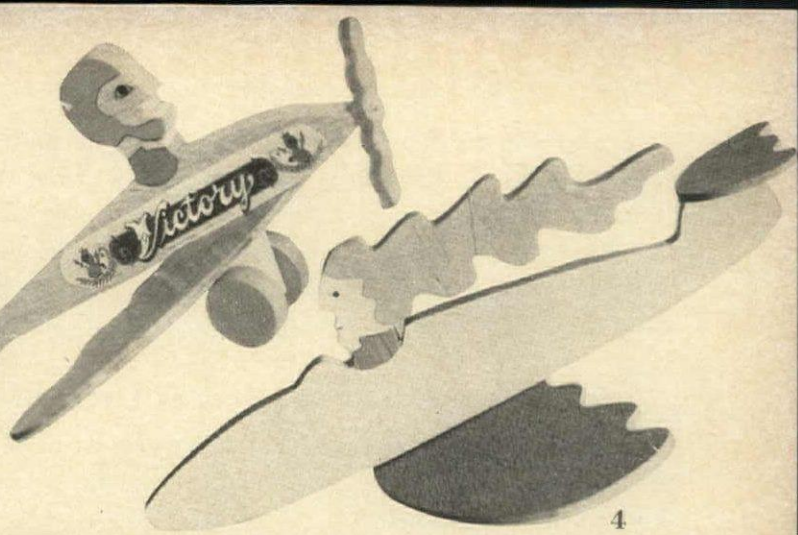
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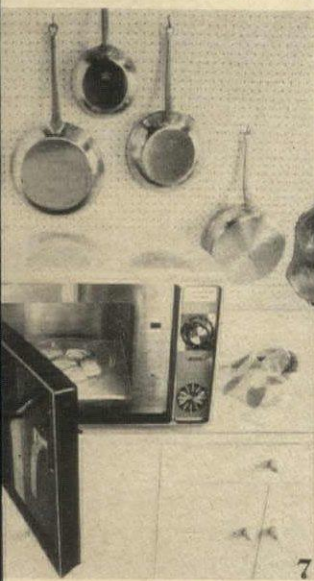


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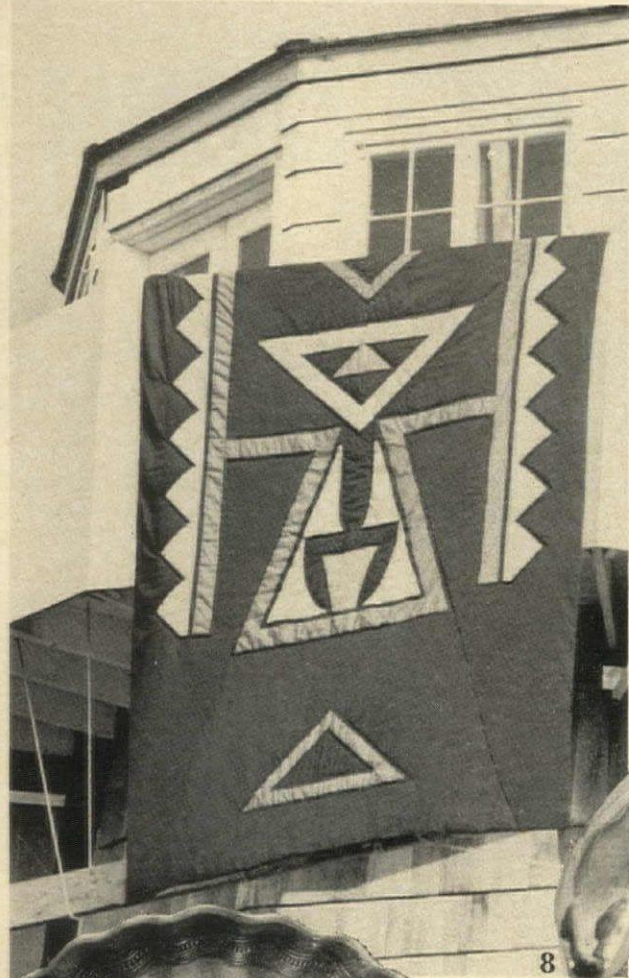
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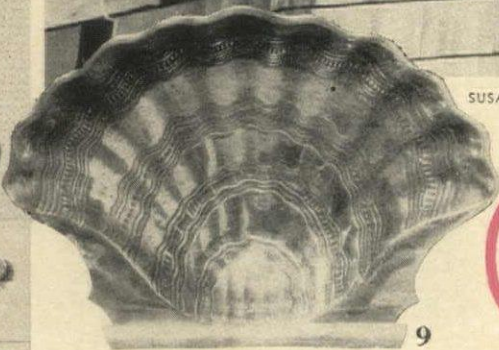


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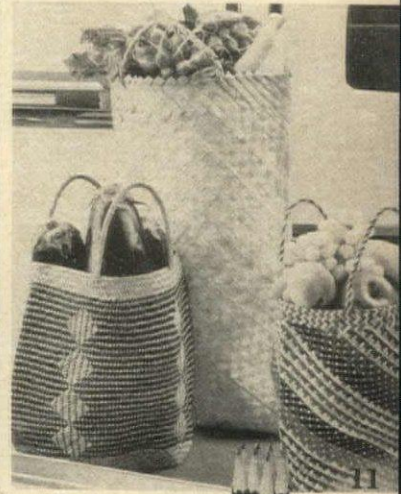
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GREAT HOUSE GIFTS

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GREAT HOUSE GIFTS *continued from the preceding page*

There are many beautiful and useful gifts for the house that offer an extra dimension of delight to the receiver—kits to work oneself, kitchen equipment that makes it easy to prepare new dishes, presents that cater to a special interest or hobby. Among our selection you should find something for everyone on your list. Prices are approximate. For store addresses, turn to page 96.

THE SATISFACTION OF DOING IT YOURSELF

A present to make gives extra pleasure to those who like to work with their hands. Or, if you enjoy it, *you* can have the extra pleasure—your friends get the finished product.

From the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, *an unusual needlepoint kit*: "Grasshopper and Morning Glories," adapted from a Japanese woodblock print by Hiroshige—the flowers in blue, red, orange, lavender—lovely as a pillow or wall hanging. \$57. . . . *A raffish hobbyhorse to needlepoint*, easily mounted on a wheeled stick. The jaunty steed with its colorful pompon mane is bound to delight the preschool jockey. 18 inches from nose to neck. \$50 at Alice Maynard.

Stephanie Kahn has designed four charming *felt pillow kits*: a landscape in blues and greens; 4-arrow graphic in red, green, blue; still life with wine bottle, cheese, fruit; hearts and squares, predominantly red. All 18 inches square. \$10 each at Georg Jensen. . . . *Quilts* are the thing at the moment. Distle-fink Designs has a smashing "Kaleidoscope" kit to make a 64-by-90-inch quilt in lilac and black print. With 308 precut pieces, polyester filling, thread. \$33 at Altman's. . . . With a kit by Leslie Linsely you can make *a découpage wastebasket* 11 inches high with an ivory background, long-stemmed pink flowers and lots of green leaves. Includes wood, paint, varnish, a plethora of cutouts, \$16 at "the whole works."

To start a youngster's creating, Gloria Vanderbilt prepared three highly imaginative *collage kits for children*. All, when finished, look like charming bits of Victoriana. The young craftsman adds to the kits (which include lacy paper, fabrics, pictures like those on quaint old valentines) a snapshot of a family member and other personal memorabilia. There's a kit for a boy, one for a girl, one to herald the birth of a new family member. The result is highly satisfactory to the young creator and eminently frammable. \$4.50 each by Springbok at the Hallmark Gallery.

And, in kit form, for the rabid collector of shells, gems, toy soldiers, anything miniature, a *shadow-box table*, 16 inches high, the top, 10-by-15-by-2¼ inches deep. Also great for displaying needlepoint and collages. \$25 at Adventures in Crafts.

THE JOY OF TRYING OUT SOMETHING NEW IN THE KITCHEN

For dedicated cooks, outstanding new cook books: *Simca's Cuisine* (Knopf, \$8.95). Simca is Simone Beck, Julia Child's collaborator on her popular books. These are Mme. Beck's own menus and highly personal recipes, representing the cuisines of three French provinces—Alsace, Provence, Normandy. Not for beginners, but Mme. Beck provides clear, full instructions and plenty of how-to hints to help. . . . *The Cuisines of Mexico* (Harper & Row, \$10 to Dec. 31; then \$12.50) by Diana Kennedy. Anyone who thinks Mexican food is all tacos and enchiladas is in for a jolt—and a major treasure-trove. The recipes (Mexican, Spanish, Indian) are accompanied by discussions of Mexican history and culture to relate them to their time and place. A real adventure in cooking. . . . *The New York Times Heritage*

Cook Book (Putnam, \$12.95) by Jean Hewitt. This is American cuisine, broken down regionally, and including hundreds of dishes from all parts of the country that can be made without too much difficulty anywhere. . . . There has been a great surge of interest in Chinese cuisine. In *The Chinese Cookbook* (Lippincott, \$12.50), Cra Claiborne and Virginia Lee have worked out over 240 recipes from every region, representing the vast spectrum of Chinese cooking—a feasible for the American cook. A glossary of Chinese cooking terms and a list of sources for special ingredients are helpful.

To prepare food with the greatest of ease: A *programme blender* that has a pulsating system propelling food up and down—it blends. The "Dial-a-Food" programmer wheel makes it possible to select accurately the button that does all the work for each ingredient.

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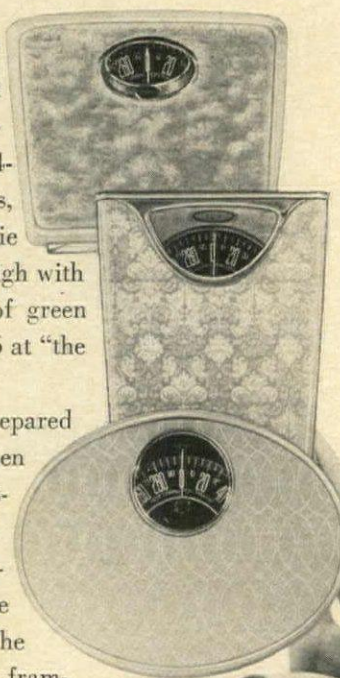
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clothes, sports equipment, or any other gear you want to tote. \$35.

THE PLEASURE OF LOOKING AND FEELING YOUR VERY BEST

To make personal care a pleasure: *A home beauty salon*, a super-efficient woman's shaver with attachments—for manicure/pedicures: files, cuticle pusher, cuticle brush, buffer, callus remover; for skin care: smooth applicator for creams, sponge applicator for lotions; for relaxing and toning muscles: soft, medium, and deep massagers. Works on dual voltage for worldwide use. All this euphoria in a slim round traveling case. \$35 by Norelco. . . . *Tangle-free comb* with reciprocating combs that slide through the hair gently, automatically untangling. Works on straight or curly hair, wet or dry. Harvest gold

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THE TREAT OF THE UNEXPECTED

There is an extra delight in finding ordinary materials and objects used unexpectedly. For example: *Gleaming plastic glasses that seem to be sterling silver* and lined in gold—looking for all the world like a julep cup. You can even have them monogrammed. \$9.50 a dozen; if you order more than 100, 50c each. From Cache-Cache. . . . *A bright red plastic egg that unfolds to become a lamp*. \$15 at Saks Fifth Avenue. . . . Natural burlap, shaped, stiffened, shellacked and voilà—*unusual planters*. Fun also for heaps of nuts or chips at an informal party. \$3 to \$14 at Ronaldo Maia. . . . *A perky frog*, ceramic and the greenest green, to hunker anywhere that needs a little cheering—a bathroom shelf, a dressing room table. 6 inches high. From Millpond House, \$16 at Cache-Cache. . . . Also at Cache-Cache, beautiful "*marble*" boxes made of wood, exquisitely created by Marguerite Frost using faux marbre techniques—and each a work of art. From \$70 to \$170.

THE WARMTH OF THE PAST RECAPTURED

For everyone who's into nostalgia: *A Golden Age of*

Christmas, a record, ideal for sentimentalists—

Christmas music recorded by great stars of the

golden age of opera—Caruso, Schumann-Heink, Ponselle.

\$2.98, RCA Victor. . . . *Dolphin candlesticks*, reproductions

of a 19th-century pair, in deep emerald green glass.

The stem is a dolphin, its head resting languidly on a square

base, its tail curved to hold sockets ornamented with bas-reliefs

of small dolphins and scallop shells. 10 $\frac{3}{8}$ inches. \$34 a pair at

the Metropolitan Museum of Art. . . . *100 Years of Posters*

(Harper & Row, \$6.95): A collection of posters dating from mid-

19th-century, most in color, all 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ -by-16 $\frac{1}{2}$. They can be re-

moved and would be fun framed in an informal room.

For children: *A hook and ladder fire engine*

reproduced from an antique c. 1893. It's cast iron,

handpainted, and drawn by a team of horses. 37 inches

long. \$49.50 at the Museum of the City of New York.

FUN FOR FREAKS, PHILES, AND BUFFS

People with special interests or hobbies delight in presents

catering to their loves: For art buffs—*Sol Lewitt etchings*.

Works of the well-known conceptual artist, in editions limited

to 20 each. Six single prints, \$175 each at the Wadsworth

Atheneum. . . . *A King's Book of Kings* (Metropolitan

Museum of Art, \$35) is a reproduction of a book painted in

the 16th century by master court painters of Persia. 55 minia-

tures, comprising some of the greatest paintings in Iranian

art, are meticulously reproduced in full color and gold, 44

in black and white. They are accompanied by a scholarly and

illuminating text. . . . For the bibliophile—*The Visconti Hours*

(Braziller, \$35 until Dec. 25; then \$40), a true reproduction

of a 14th-century illuminated manuscript with 128 magnificent plates

in full color and gold. Richly bound, 7-by-10 inches—a beautiful piece

of bookmaking. . . . For the ice-cream freak—*The Great American*

Ice Cream Book (Atheneum, \$7.95). A paean to America's favorite

food by Paul Dickson, who gives, in addition to the history of ice

cream, recipes for dozens of flavors, and—best of all—directions for

making all kinds of fantastic, mouthwatering concoctions.

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BOOKS AND RECORDS *continued from page 88*

nature lovers: *Endangered Species* (Hart, \$15) by Wolfgang Ullrich is a record of birds and animals that face extinction. The photographs by Erich and Isabella Tylinek, many in color, are so heart-winning they'll make anyone want to do his share to prevent the tragedy. . . . *Photographs of American Nature* (Dodd, Mead, \$17.50) is a collection of over 300 photographs—animals, insects, flowers, scenery—by Edwin Way Teale, the noted naturalist and photographer. They're not in color but so good you won't mind. . . . *Wild River* (Lippincott, \$12.95 until Jan. 1; then \$15) by Laurence Pringle is for everyone concerned with the pollution of our waterways—and for everyone who grooves on absolutely beautiful nature photographs—all in color.

Usually the so-called “coffee table” books are magnificently illustrated but rather pedestrian in text. When you come across one that's both beautiful *and* an utter joy to read you have a real find—and such a find is writer Peter Matthiessen and photographer Eliot Porter's *The Tree Where Man Was Born* (Dutton, \$17.50). The locale of the book is East Africa, the emphasis on the terrain, the natives, and the wildlife. . . . Another beautiful book of Eliot Porter's nature photographs is *Birds of North America* (Dutton, \$21.95 until Jan. 1; then \$25). This is a personal selection of Mr. Porter's bird studies and a must for the Audubon crowd. . . . Oscar Forel's *Hidden Art in Nature* (Harper & Row, \$30) is offbeat and startlingly lovely. It consists of fantastically reproduced photographs, close-ups of small sections of some bit of nature—a piece of birch bark, cactus, fern, gum tree. The result, in dazzling color, is a true abstract “painting.” The book is bound in heavy chocolate-colored burlap, most of the “paintings” are tipped on.

FOR STUDENTS—OF ALL AGES: At last, *A Supplement to the Oxford English Dictionary* (Oxford Univ. Press, \$50), the volume that has taken over 100 people almost 20 years to complete. Covering A to G, it includes new words evolved out of recent history (e.g. “Biafran”) and all that have become generally accepted since the 1933 edition. . . . *The Earth and Man* (Rand McNally, \$29.95 until Dec. 25; then \$35). An encyclopedia and atlas in one. The first half is devoted to the development of the universe, the history of man, and his relationship with his world—wonderfully illustrated in color with drawings and photographs, even some taken in space by the astronauts. The second half is a superb world atlas as only Rand McNally, a name synonymous with maps, can produce. This could be the most useful present of the year.

OUR GIFT TO YOU THIS YEAR: A book that we think you'll find exciting and useful, *Billy Baldwin Decorates* (a House & Garden Book; Holt, Rinehart and Winston, \$14.95) in which the internationally famous interior designer discusses his theories and techniques for decorating every room in the house. The book is lavishly illustrated with examples of his expertise in decorating everything from a one-room apartment to a 7,000-acre ranch.

RECORDINGS OF CLASSICAL MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD

This season we have another round in the battle of the coloraturas—both Joan Sutherland and Beverly Sills have re-

corded Offenbach's *Tales of Hoffmann*, each singing all three major female roles. On the Sutherland record you also get Placido Domingo and Jacques Bacquier, Richard Bonyngé conducting (London, \$17.94). The Sills version has Norman Treigle doing all the villains, Jules Rudel conducting (ABC, \$17.94). Take your pick. . . . Other outstanding recordings for the opera fan: A seldom-heard Puccini one-actor, *Le Villi* backed by Act II of his also-rare *Edgar*. The singers—Barry Morel, Adriana Maliponte (RCA, \$11.96). . . . *Tristan und Isolde*, with Jon Vickers, Helga Dernesch, Von Karajan conducting (Angel, \$40). . . . Rachmaninoff's *The Covetous Knight*, conducted by Gennady Rozhdestvenski with the Moscow Radio Symphony (Melodia, \$11.98).

A major event is the reissue of the *Complete "Ring" Cycle* in the famous recordings conducted by Wilhelm Furtwängler with German artists as soloists—19 records to enthral the Wagnerite (Seraphim, \$54).

Cherubini's *Missa Solemnis* is performed by the Clarion Concert Orchestra, Newell Jenkins conducting, with soloists Patricia Wells, Maureen Forrester, George Shirley, Justino Diaz (Vanguard, \$7.96). . . . And Handel's secular oratorio *Semele* features soloists Sheila Armstrong, Justino Diaz, Helen Watts, Robert Tear with the English Chamber Orchestra (Vanguard, \$11.94).

For people who prefer instrumental music: You have your choice between two recordings of *The Complete Mahler Symphonies*. Columbia's entry is composed of reissues of performances by Leonard Bernstein with the N. Y. Philharmonic. 4 albums, 15 records, \$47. London's recording is by Georg Solti with the Chicago Symphony, the Vienna and London Philharmonics. 16 records, \$80.

Eugene Ormandy conducts the Philadelphia Orchestra in the world premiere recording of *Shostakovich's 15th Symphony* (it's also the first major symphony recorded in quadraphonic sound) (RCA, \$5.98). . . . RCA is also putting out 30 records with the umbrella title of *Music America Loves Best*—reissues of great recordings of symphonies, operatic arias, concertos, marches, all forms of music—all recorded since the advent of stereo. You can buy each record separately, or you can shell out \$179.40 to give a favorite a magnificent music library. . . . *Joseph Szigetti's 80th Birthday* is celebrated with a 6-record album, some selections previously recorded, some new, by one of the world's great violin virtuosos (Columbia, \$24). . . . Harpsichordist Igor Kipnis plays a selection of music from Italy, France, and Spain in a 3-record album *The Art of the Harpsichord* (Columbia, \$9.98).

For complete plays and readings of prose and poetry, Caedmon Records is still the name of the game. Give a theatregoer O'Neill's *Mourning Becomes Electra* with Sada Thompson, Jane Alexander, Lee Richardson, Peter Thompson. \$26. Or, *To be a Slave*, a program of dramatic readings by Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis. \$13. James Thurber fans—is there anyone who isn't?—will enjoy Peter Ustinov's droll reading of *Fables for Our Times* and *Further Fables for Our Time*. \$6.50 each. . . . *Stories and Humorous Essays of Dylan Thomas* are read by the Welsh poet himself—who else could do justice to that heady language?—in a 3-record set. \$19.50.

WATERLOO VILLAGE

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way grand piano in the Stage Coach Inn is one of the most splendid instruments and was made by the company only four years after it started making pianos in this country. Van Cliburn and other famous pianists have played on it, for music is an integral part of Waterloo. Each summer Mr. Leach and Mr. Gualandi invite famous musicians to play at a series of concerts, held in a great green and white marquee, large enough for an audience of 3,000. "We like to think of Waterloo as a sort of Tanglewood and Old Sturbridge combined," they say. "The houses are very lovely, but they're not enough. We decided we had to have other events going on here, people doing things to bring the place to life. We were determined the village was not to be



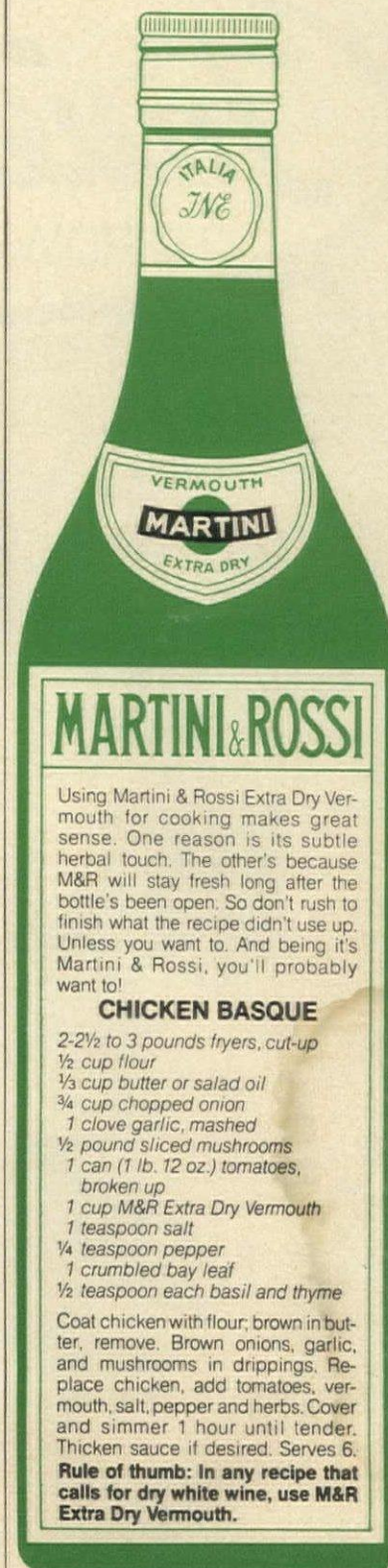
For private parties, the Front Dining Room at Wellington House.

a collection of dead museums."

Gradually more activities have been added, with special emphasis on crafts. Flax is grown, spun, and woven on a 17th-century loom. Herbs are planted, picked, and air dried in the barns and made into marvelous bouquets and other arrangements. (We show some of the Christmas decorations on page 78.) Wellington House, a marvelous Victorian gingerbread mansion built in 1859, is open to people who want to hold private lunch or dinner parties there. "We're developing it all the time," say Mr. Leach and Mr. Gualandi, "and we still have about forty more rooms left to furnish."

Waterloo, R. D. Stanhope, N. J. 07874, is open from April through December. Admission is \$2.50 and special rates are available for organized groups. All profit derived is used for maintenance and further restoration.

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2-2½ to 3 pounds fryers, cut-up
½ cup flour
⅓ cup butter or salad oil
¾ cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, mashed
½ pound sliced mushrooms
1 can (1 lb. 12 oz.) tomatoes, broken up
1 cup M&R Extra Dry Vermouth
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
1 crumbled bay leaf
½ teaspoon each basil and thyme

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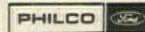
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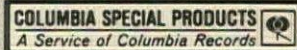
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The new-way-of-life house (pages 70-75)

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ates, Russel C. Cecil, Associate in
charge

INTERIOR DESIGNER: John Saladino
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: Robert
Malkin

CONTRACTOR: Edward H. Stein
LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR: Nathan-
iel Hess

SIZE OF HOUSE: Approx. 5,000
square feet.

STRUCTURE

Foundation: Poured concrete
footings and foundation walls for
crawl space and full basement.

Framing: Standard wood frame
construction.

EXTERIOR OF HOUSE

Exterior walls: Random width
vertical siding of resawn all-heart
redwood.

Exterior finish: #241 bleaching
oil by Samuel Cabot, Inc.

Roof: On sloping roofs, red cedar
shingles; on flat roofs, built up
roofing—three layers of bitumi-
nous-coated building paper topped
with gravel.

Insulation: In ceilings, 6-inch
mineral fiber batts; in walls, 2-
inch mineral fiber batts by United
States Mineral Products Co.

Windows and doors: Fixed glass
panels and "Arcadia" aluminum
frame sliding glass windows and
doors by Northrop Architectural
Systems.

Skylights: "Wasco Skypan" by
Wasco Products, Inc.

Garage doors: Flush overhead
door, radio operated, by Overhead
Door Corp.

INTERIOR OF HOUSE

Walls and ceilings: In all major
rooms, "dry wall" gypsum board;
on master bathroom walls, traver-
tine marble; on guest bath walls,

"Brite white" ceramic tile by
American Olean Tile Co.

Interior finish: Paint by Pratt &
Lambert, Inc. and Benjamin
Moore & Co.

Floors: In major rooms, unglazed
Mexican tile by Country Floors,
Inc. with "Minwax" stain by Min-
wax Co., Inc. In master bathroom,
travertine marble; in powder
room, ebony ceramic tile by
American Olean Tile Co.; in guest
bathroom, ceramic tile by House
of Floors; in kitchen #VM-12
marbleized vinyl tile by Amtico.

Lighting fixtures: Recessed cylin-
drical ceiling fixtures by Harry
Gitlin.

Hardware: "Modric" brushed alu-
minum by Allgood-International.

Kitchen cabinets: Custom made
and faced with white Formica
plastic laminate.

Kitchen countertops: White For-
mica plastic laminate and stain-
less steel.

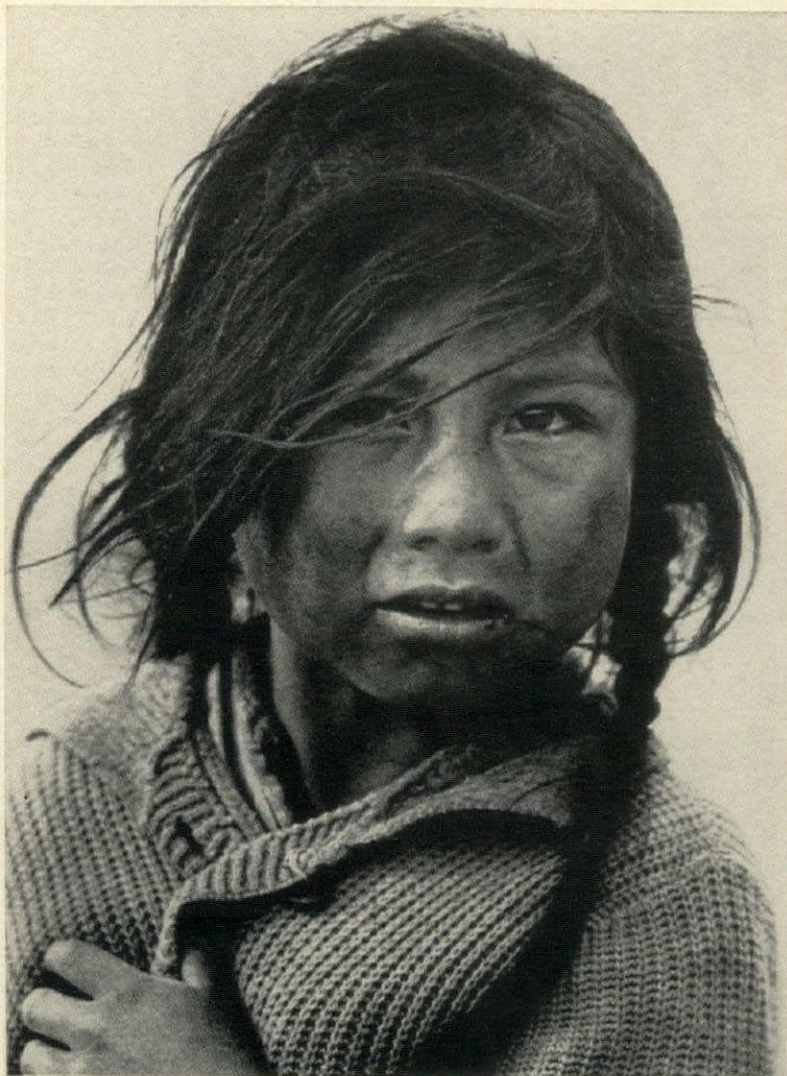
Plumbing fixtures: American-
Standard Co.; in powder room,
water closet by Case Mfg. Co.

MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT AND APPLIANCES

Appliances: 4-burner electric
cooking top and grill and wall
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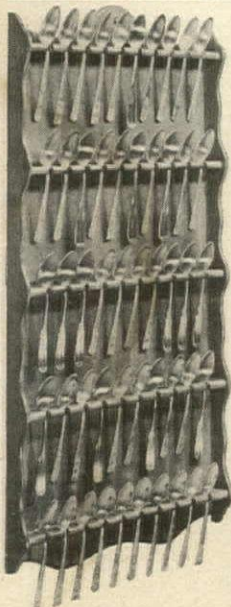


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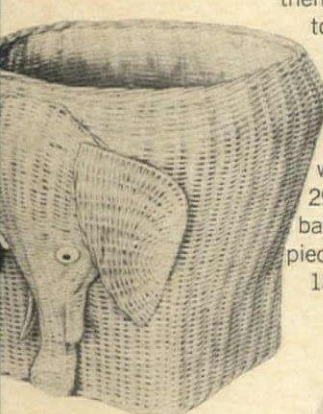
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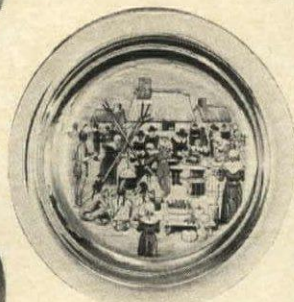
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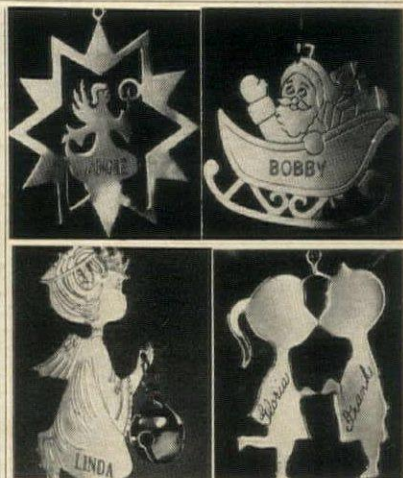
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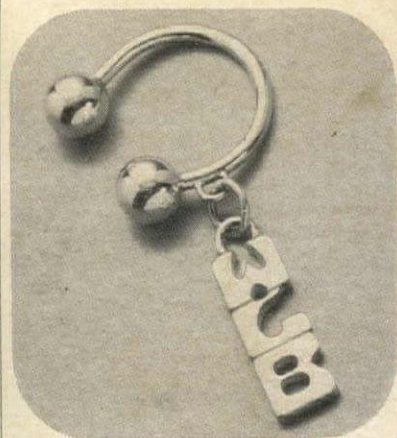
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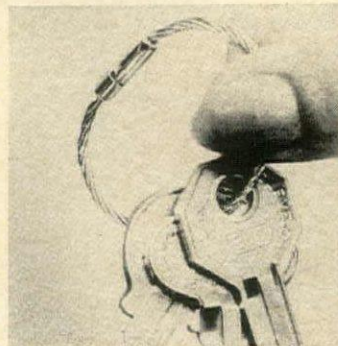
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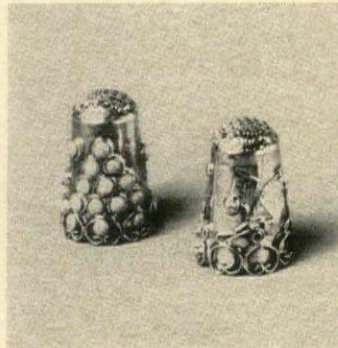
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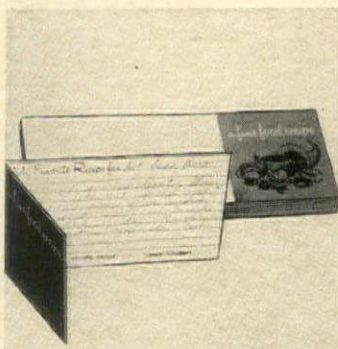
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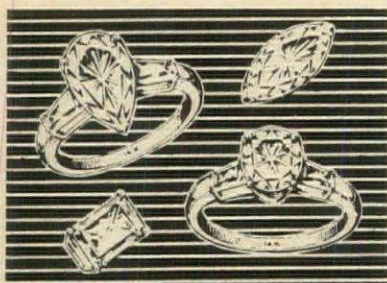
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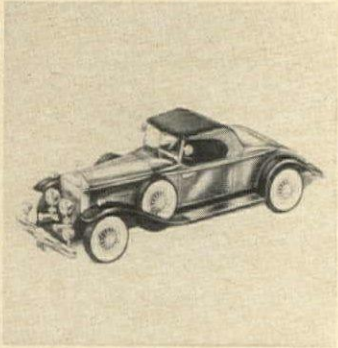
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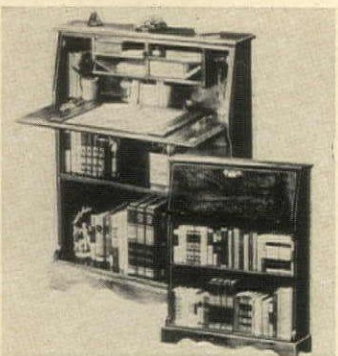
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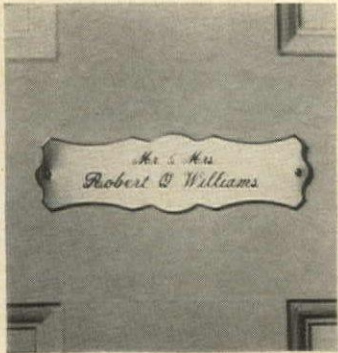
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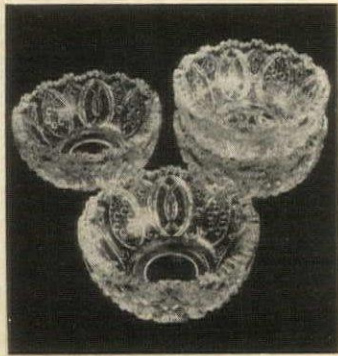
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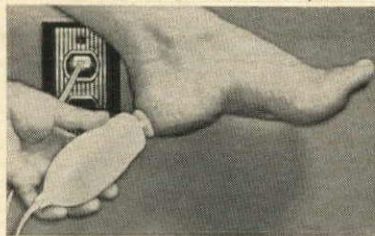
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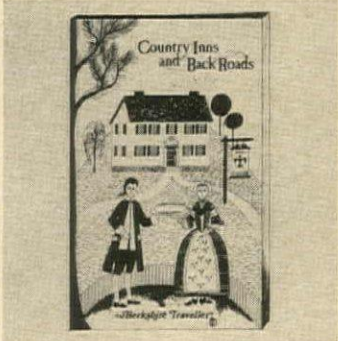
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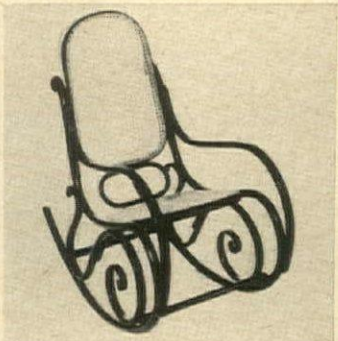


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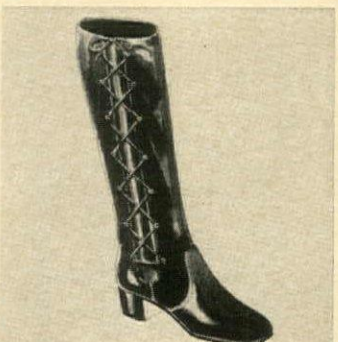
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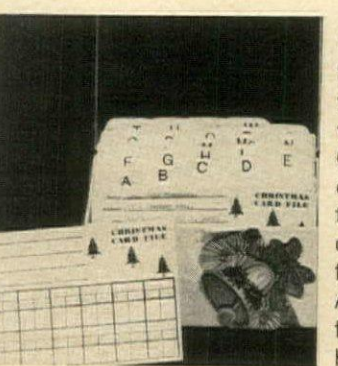
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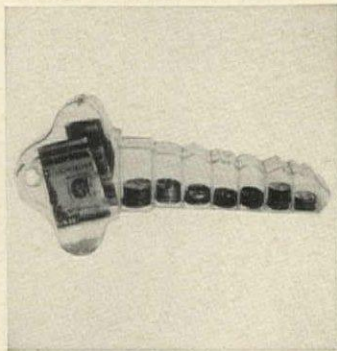
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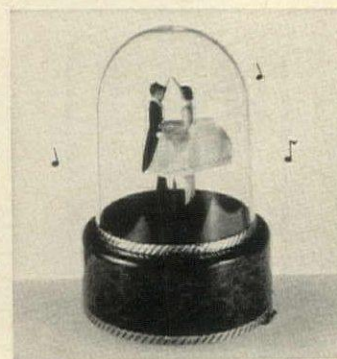
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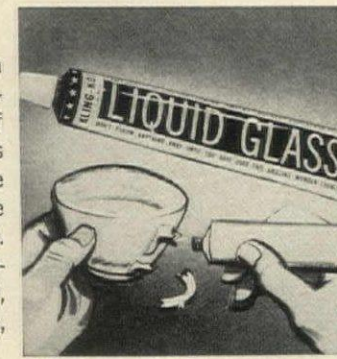
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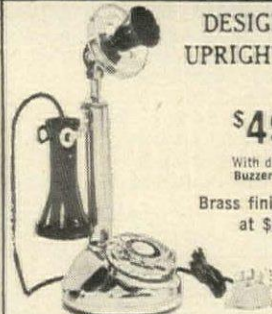
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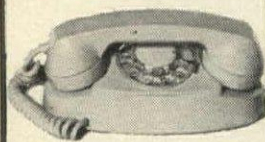
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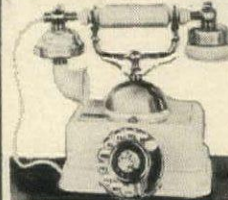


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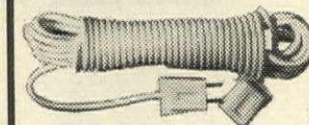


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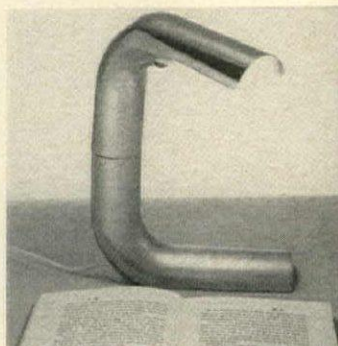
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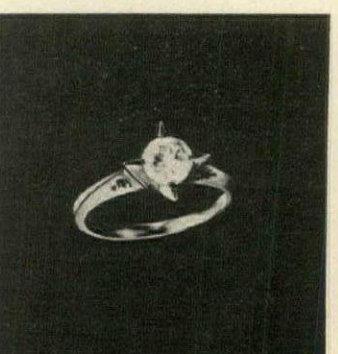
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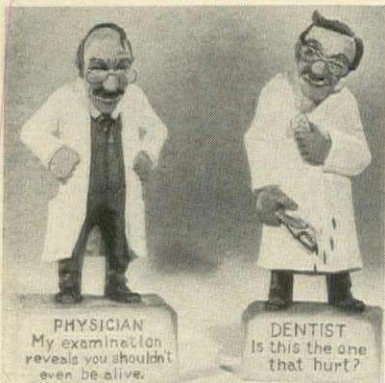
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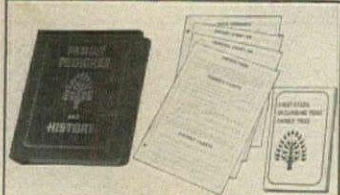


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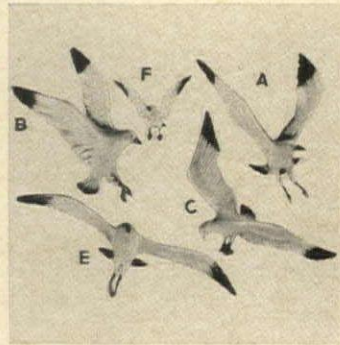
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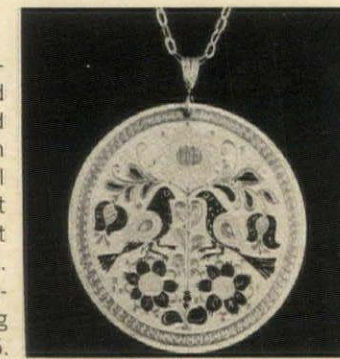
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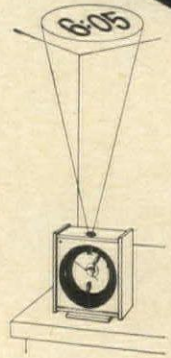
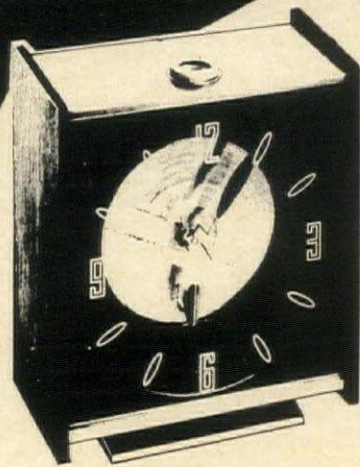


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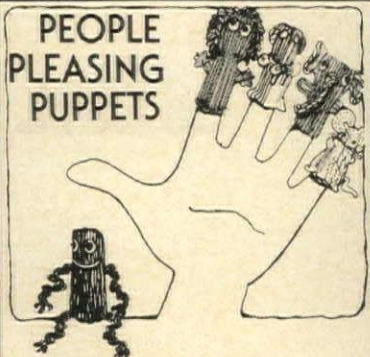
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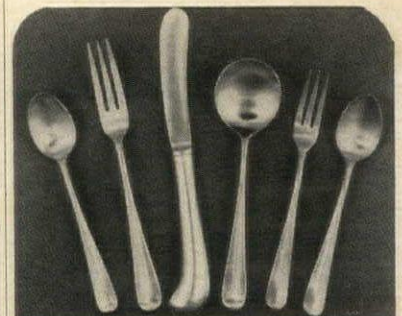
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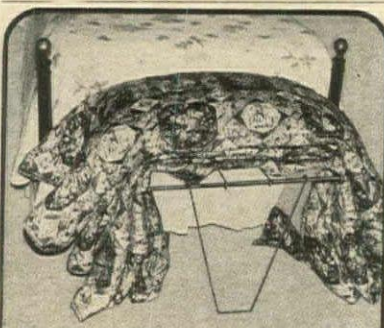
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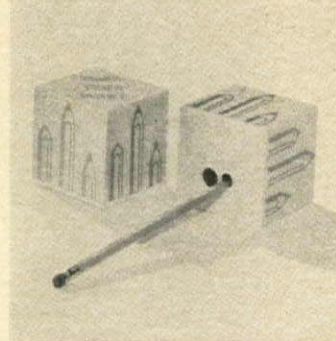
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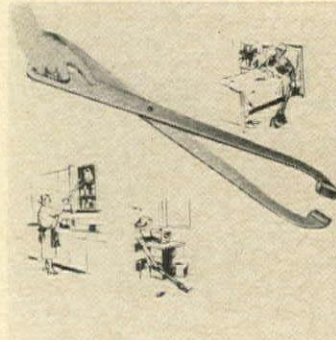
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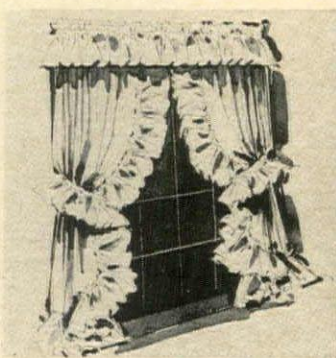
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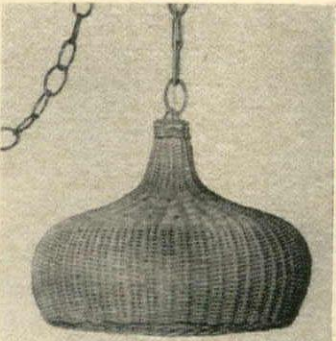
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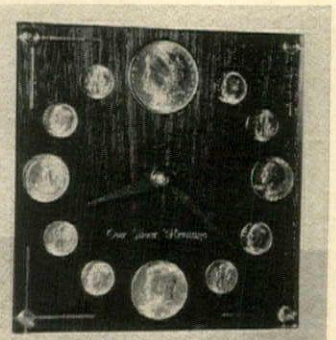
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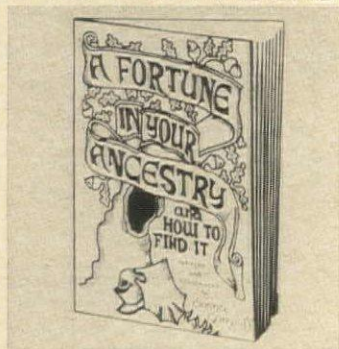


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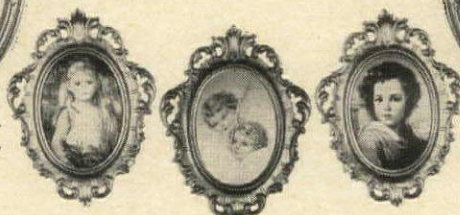
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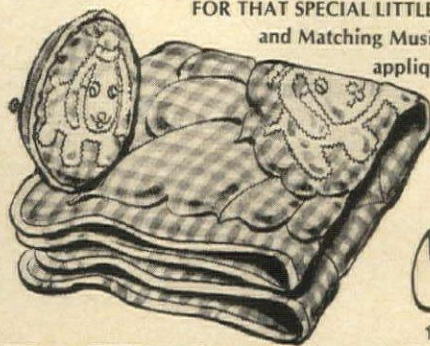
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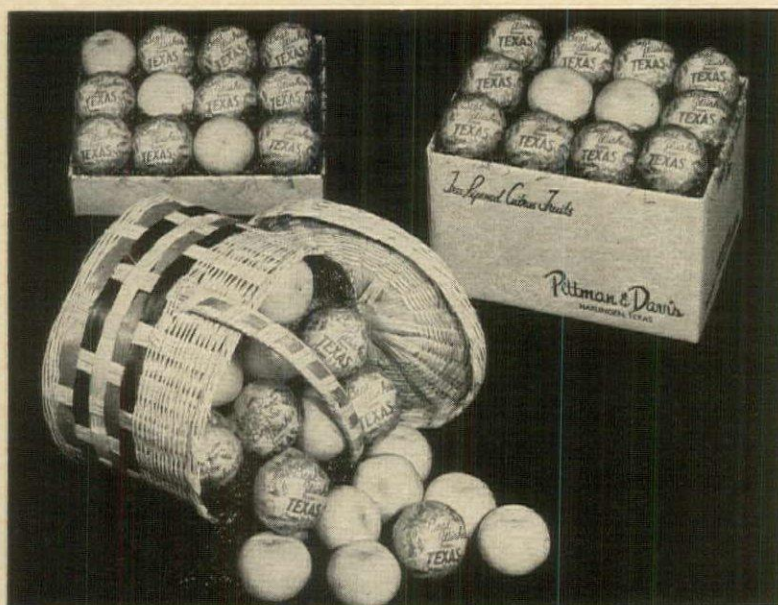
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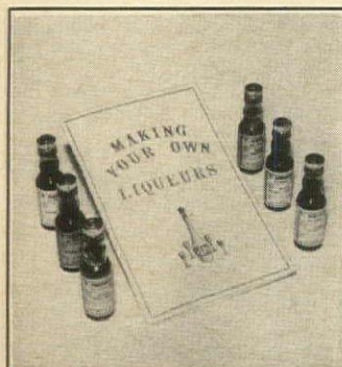
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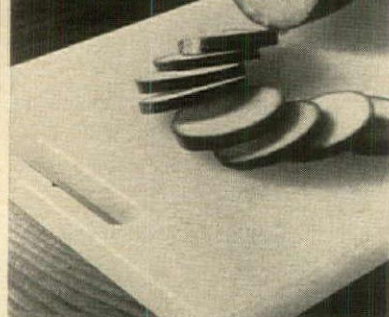
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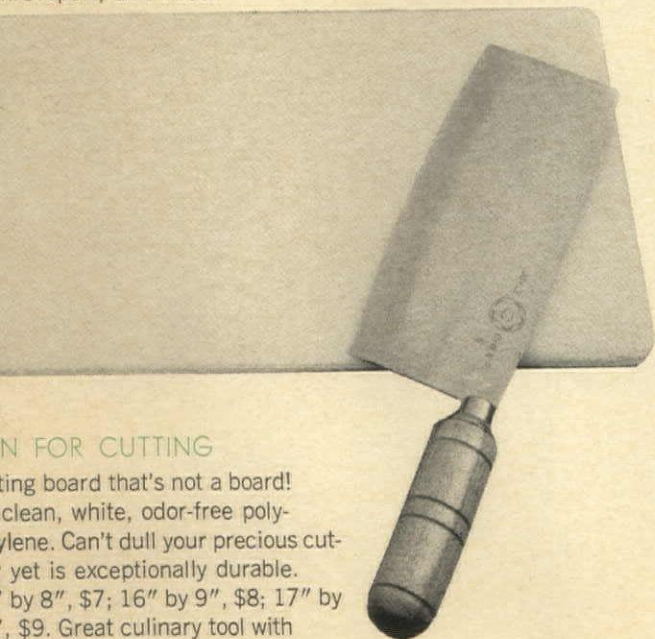
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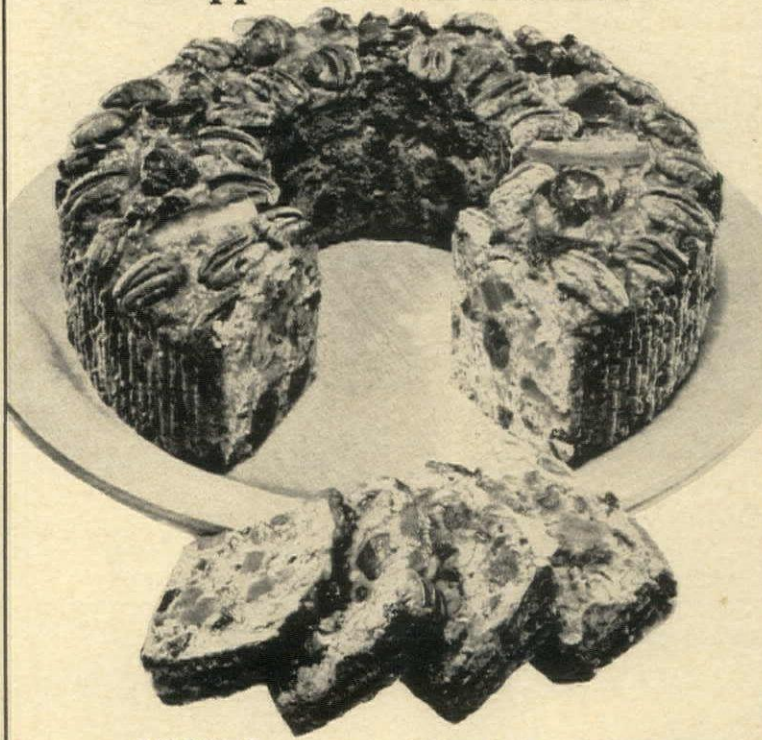


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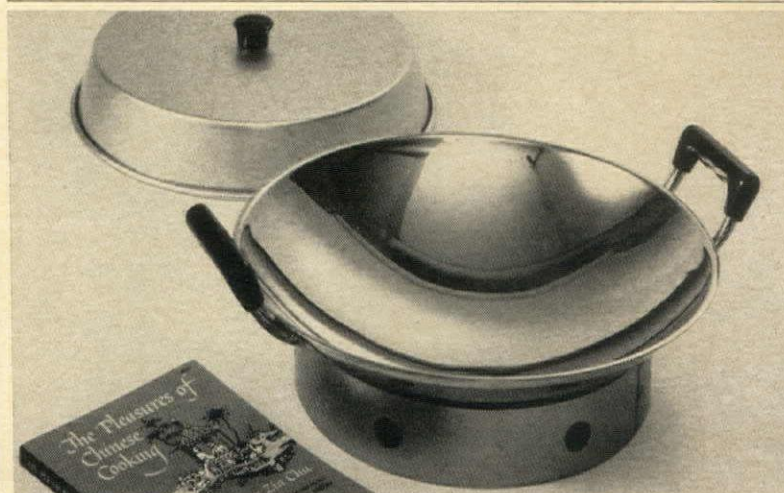
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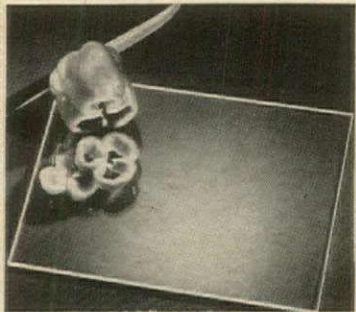
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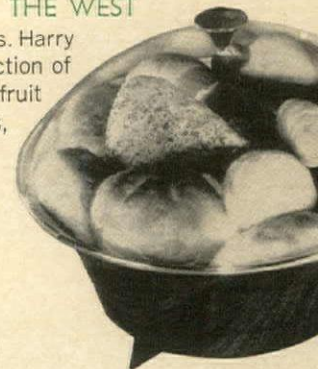
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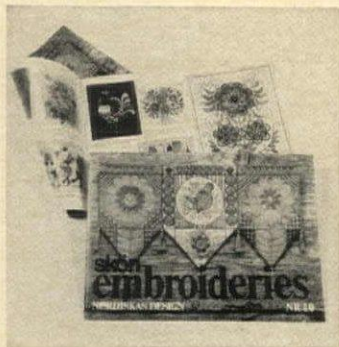
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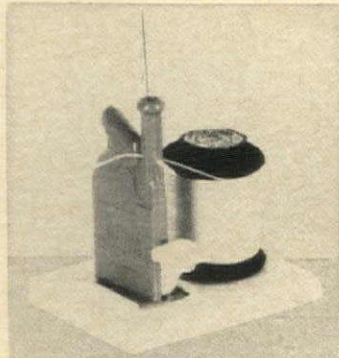
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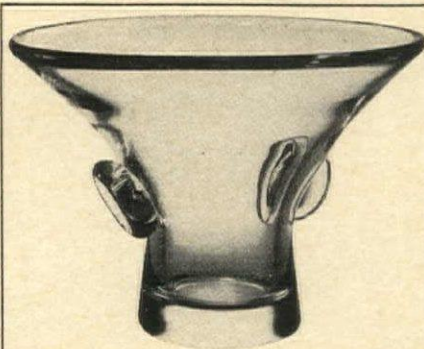
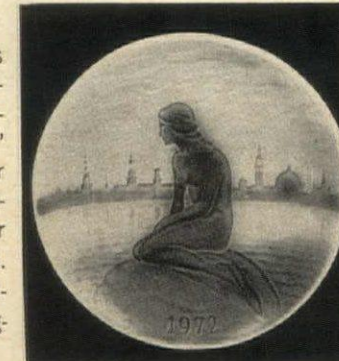
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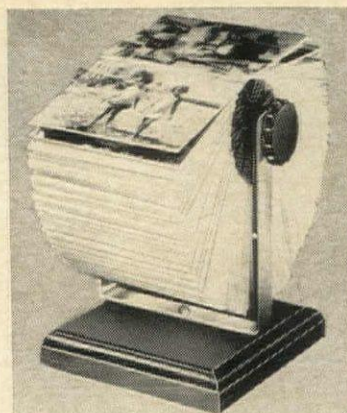


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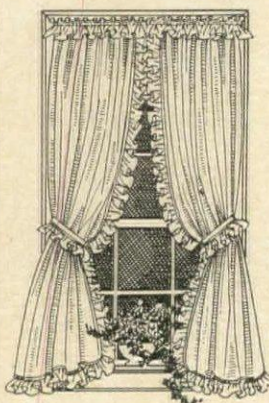
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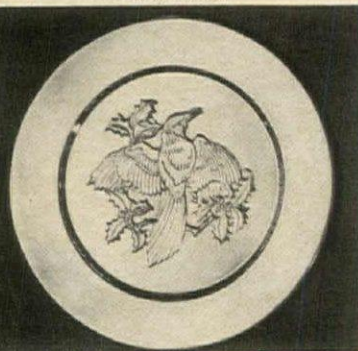
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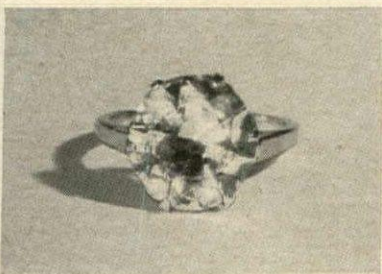
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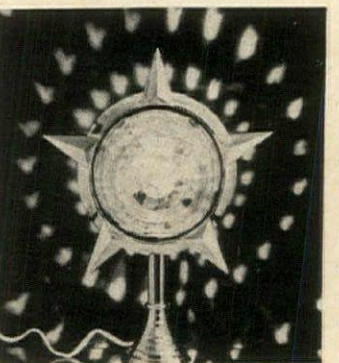
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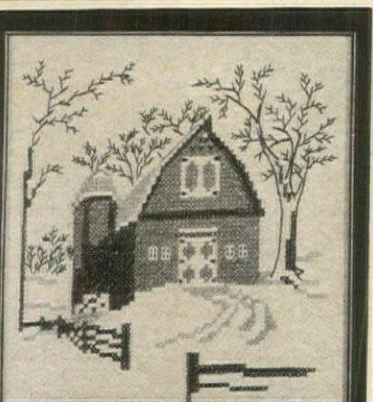
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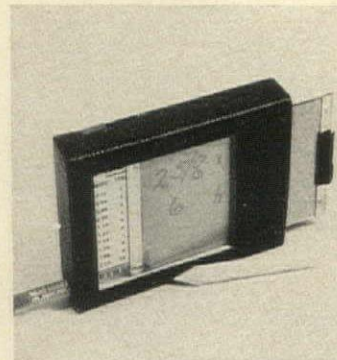
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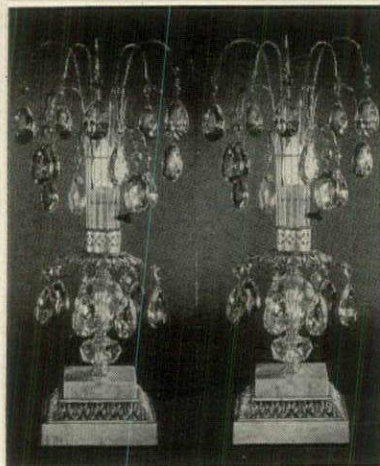
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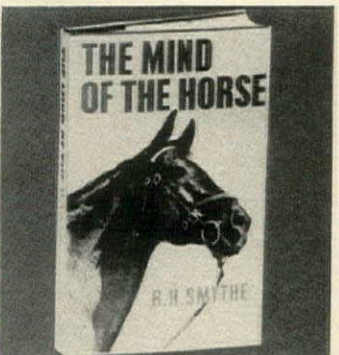
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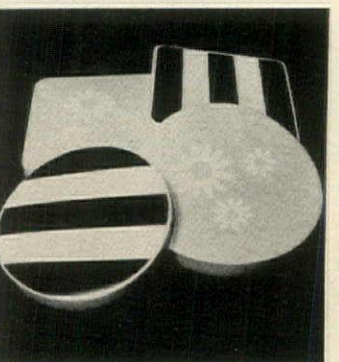
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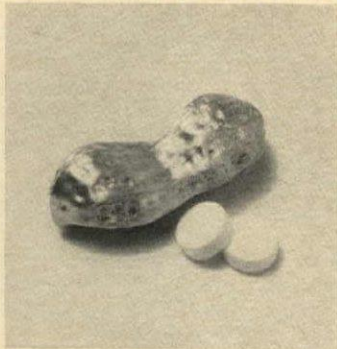
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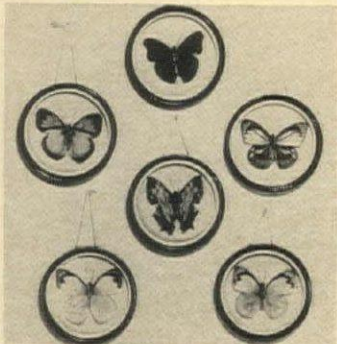
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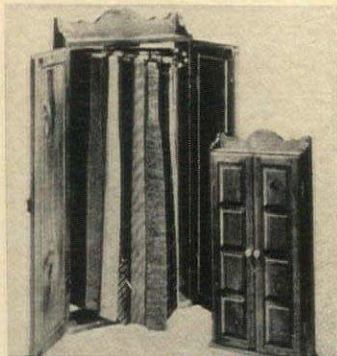
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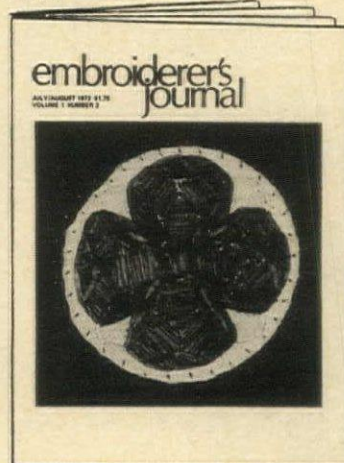
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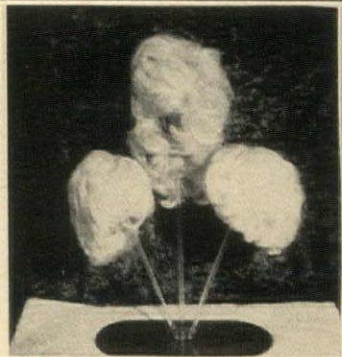
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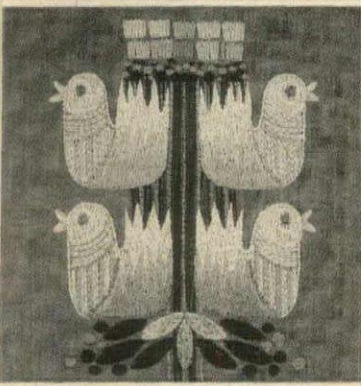
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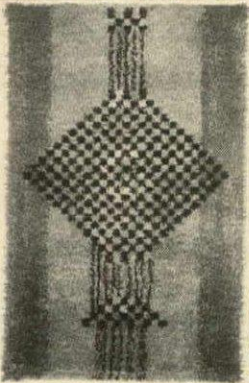
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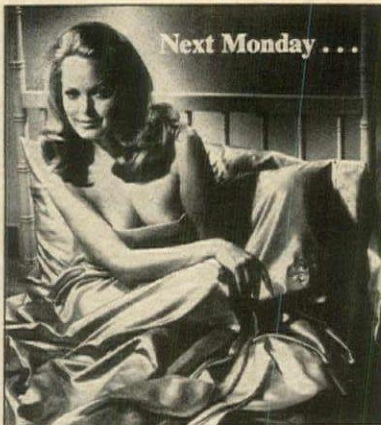
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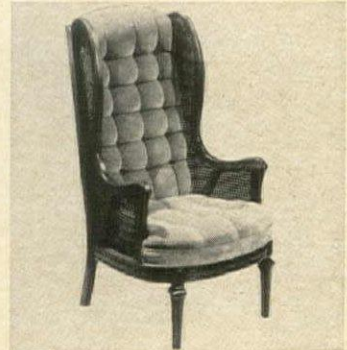
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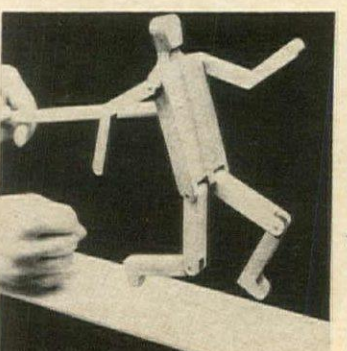
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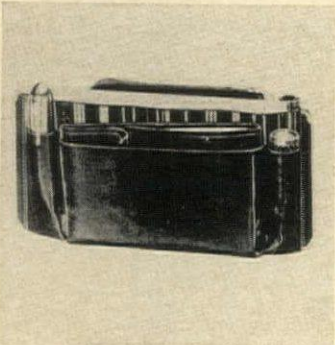
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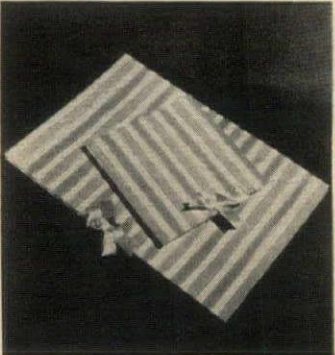
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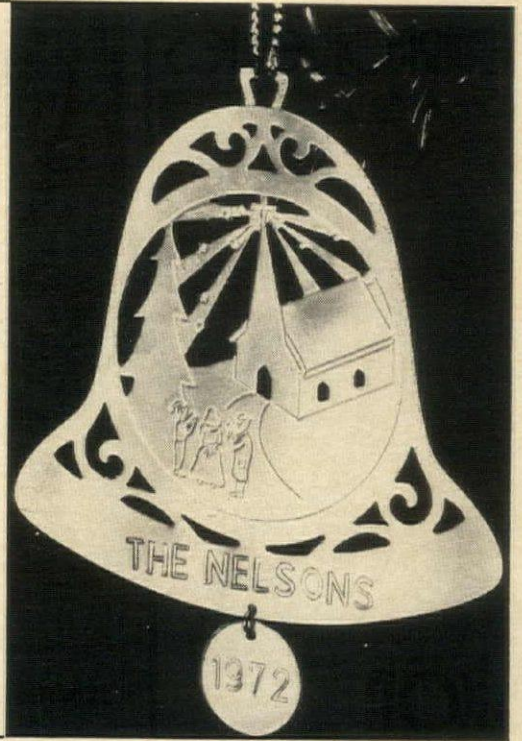
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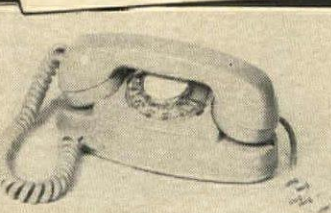
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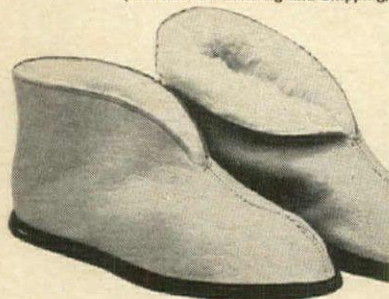
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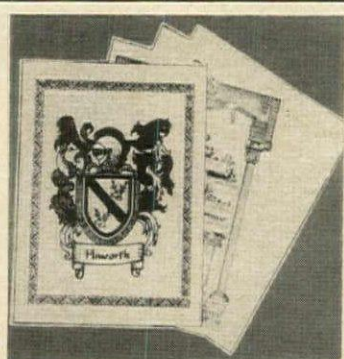


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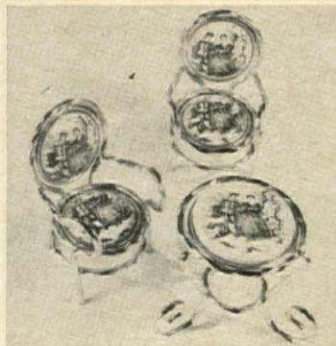
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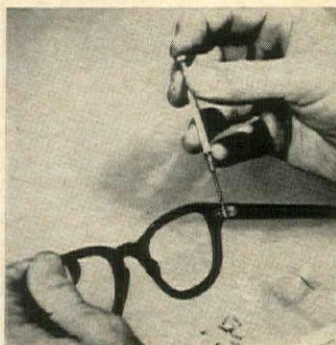
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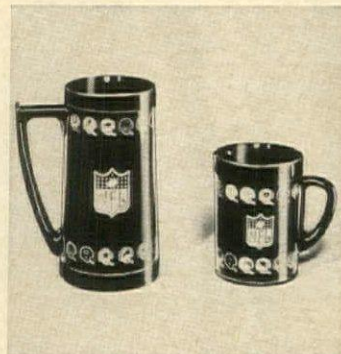
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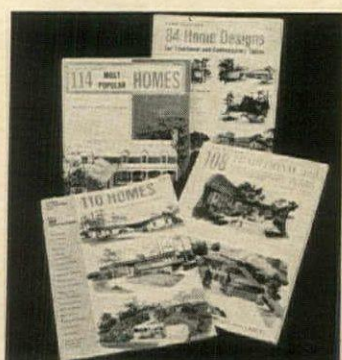
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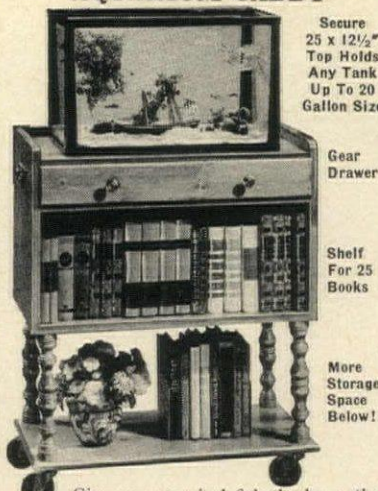


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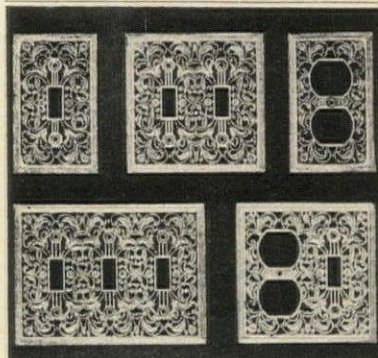
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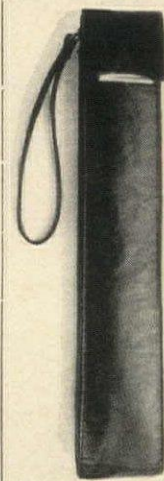
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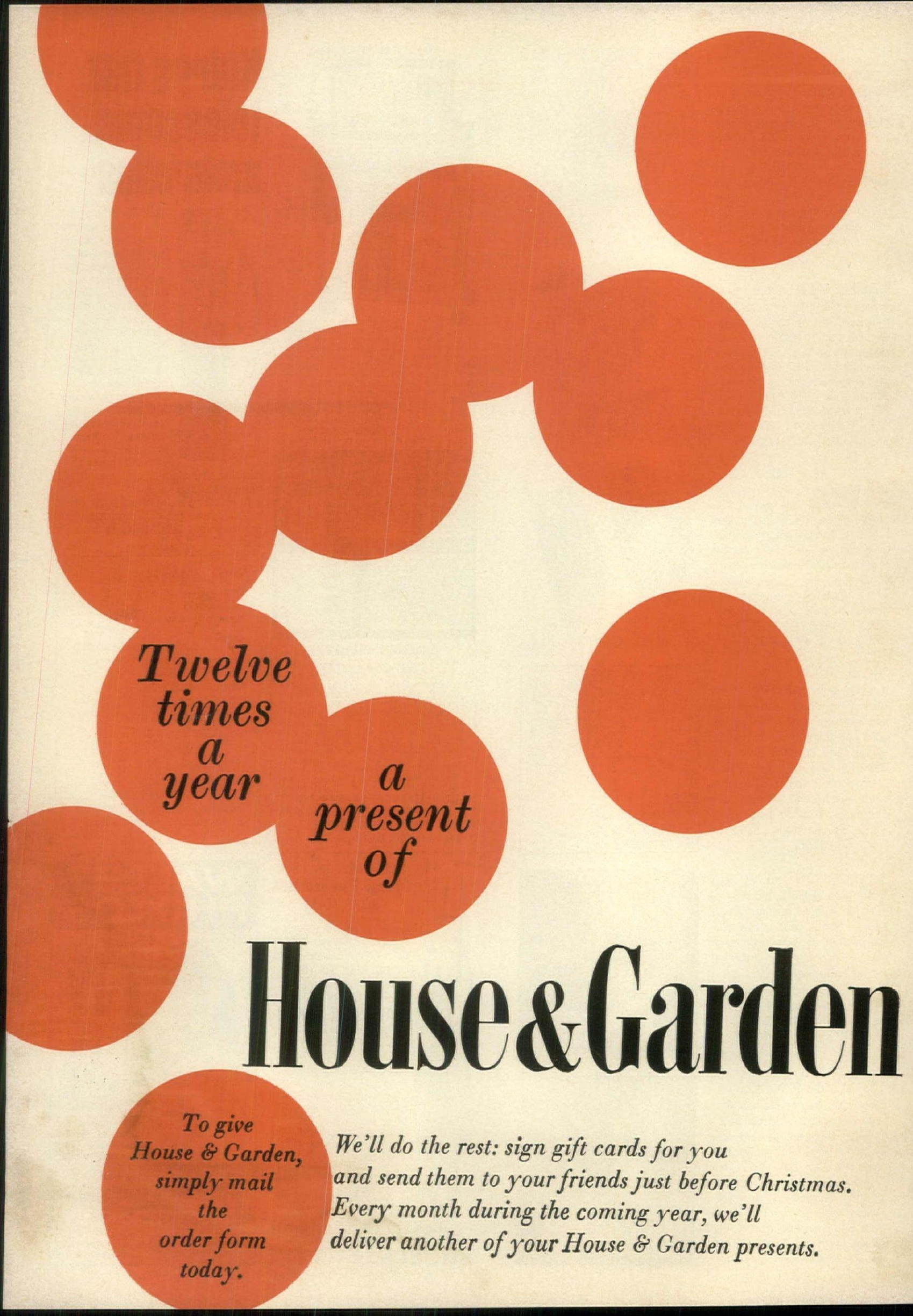
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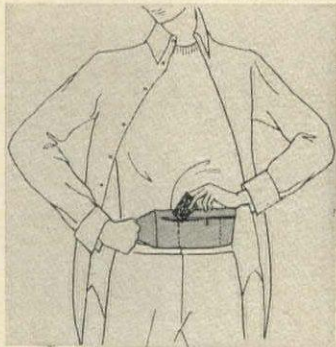
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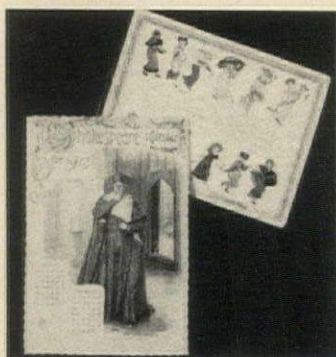
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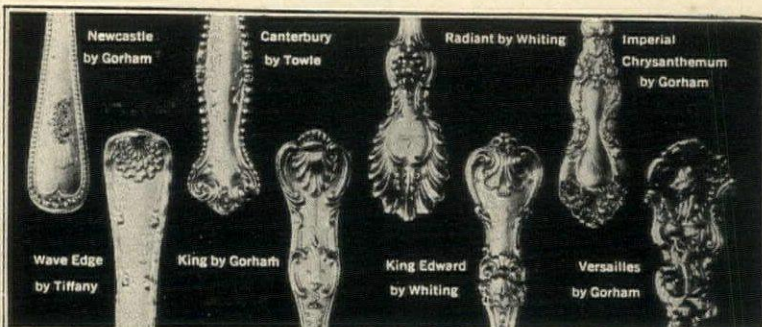
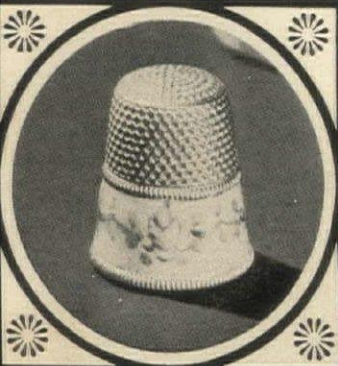
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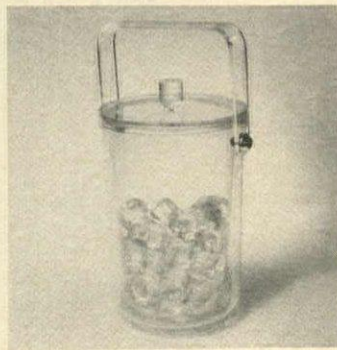
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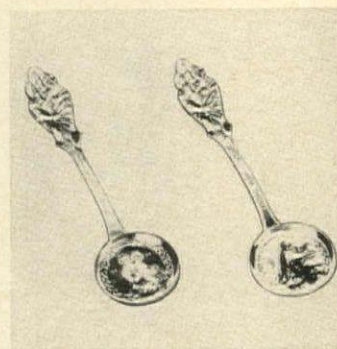
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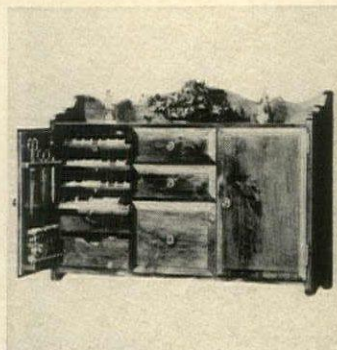
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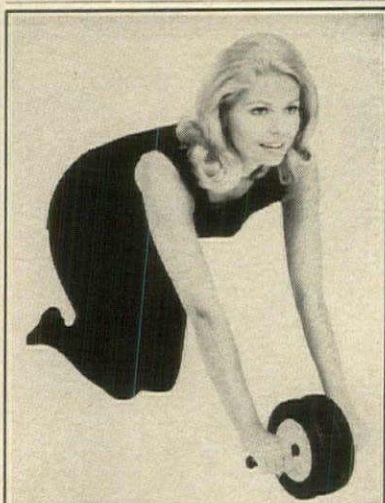
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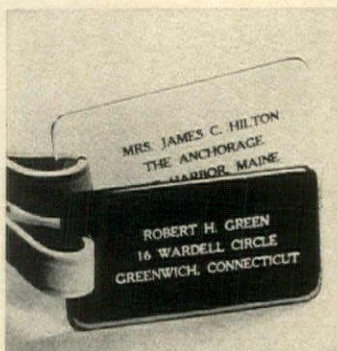
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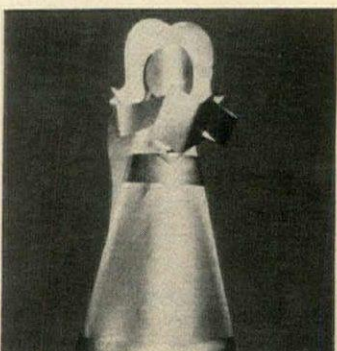
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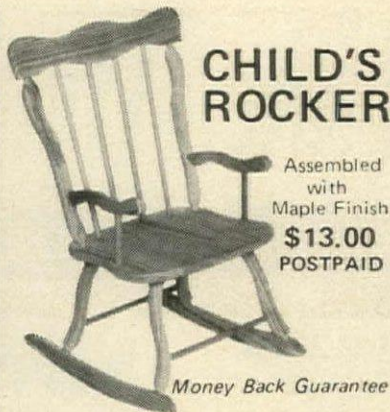
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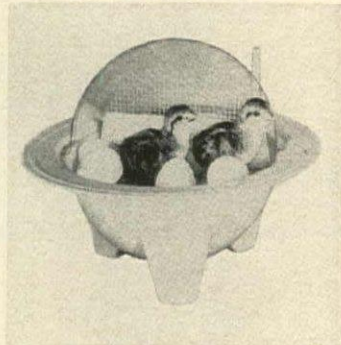
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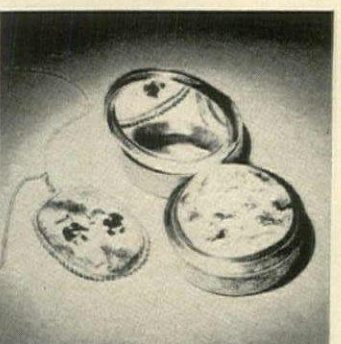
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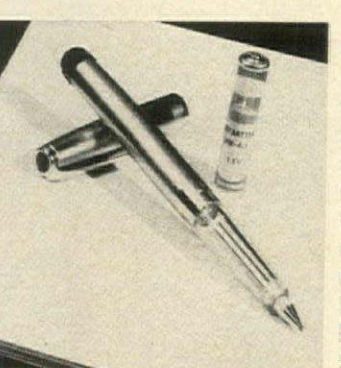
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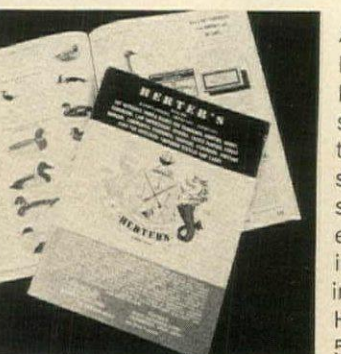
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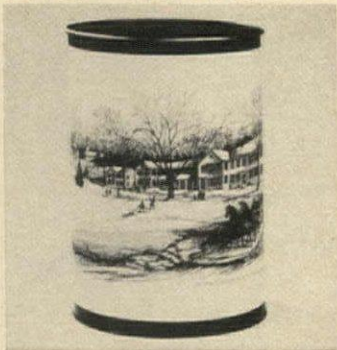


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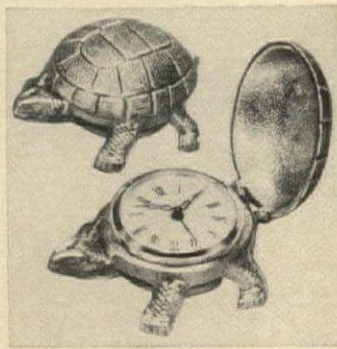
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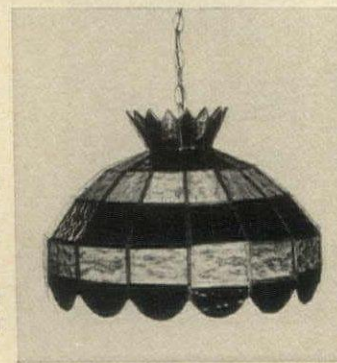
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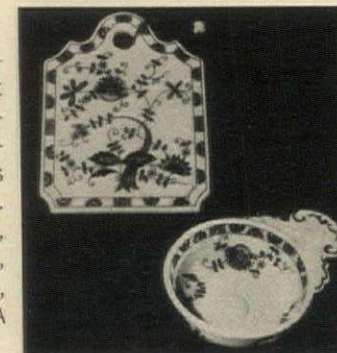
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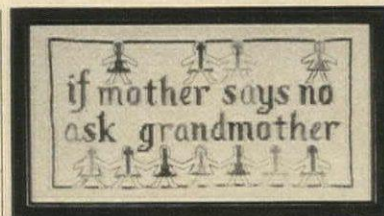
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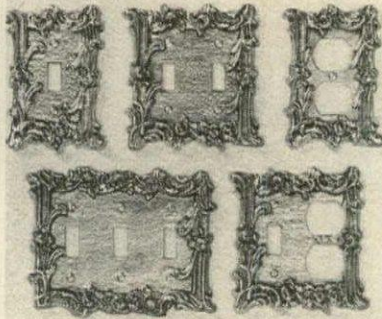
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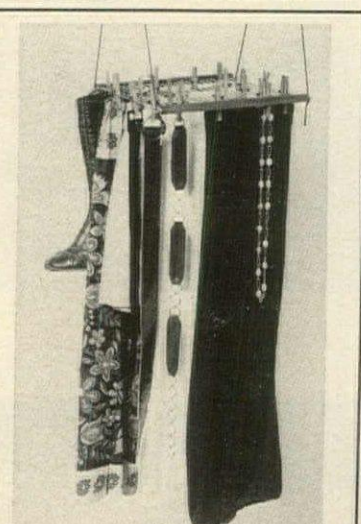
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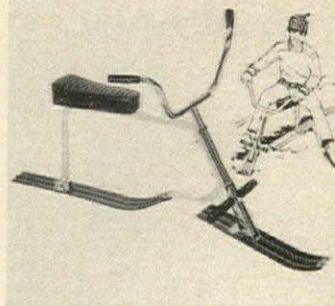
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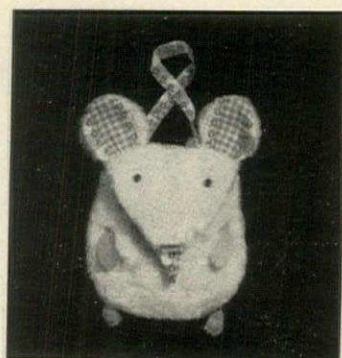
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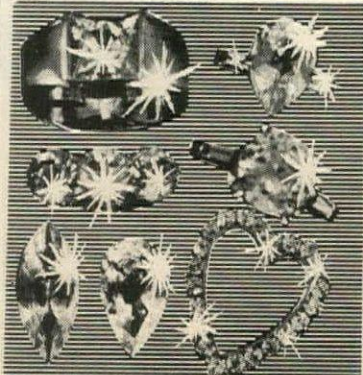
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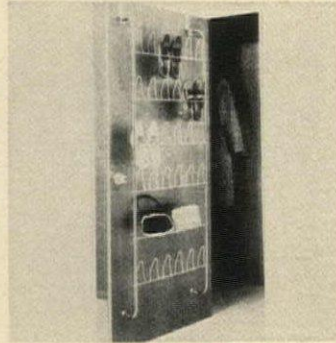
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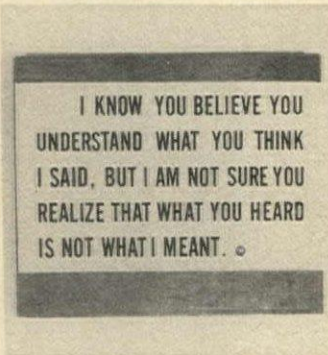
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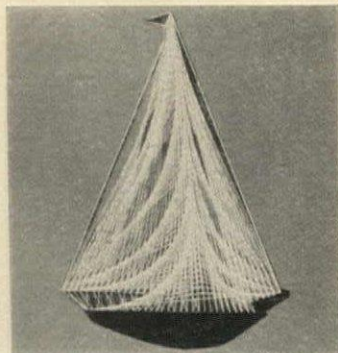
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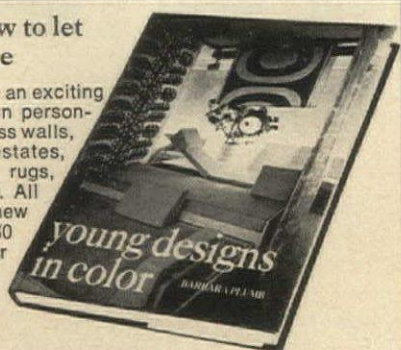
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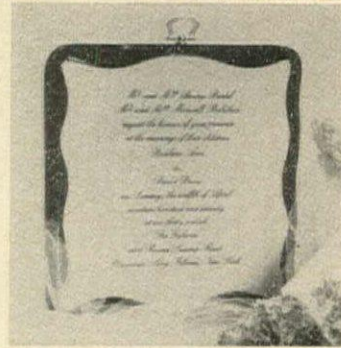
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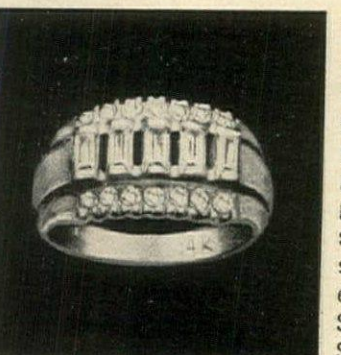
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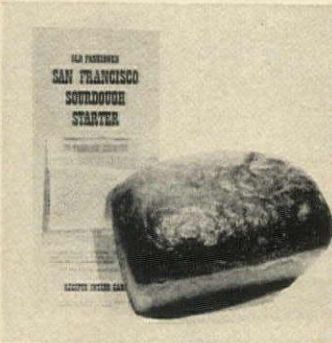
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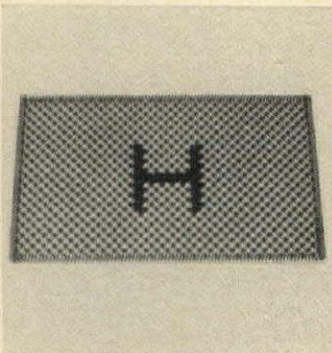
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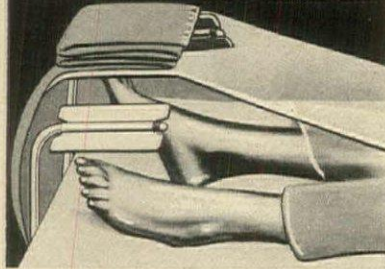
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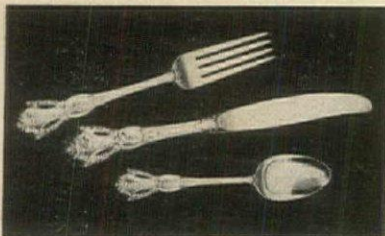
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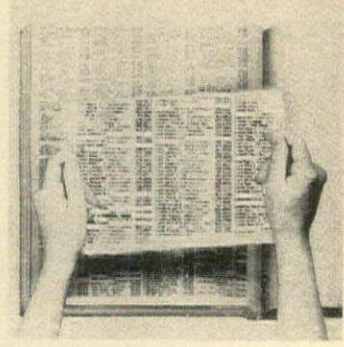
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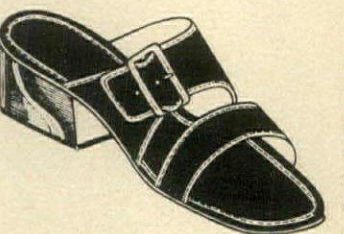
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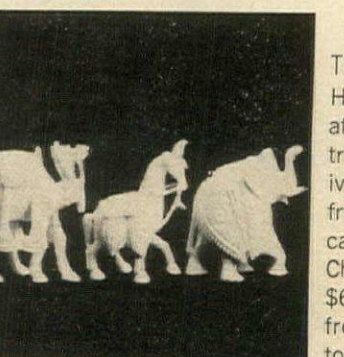
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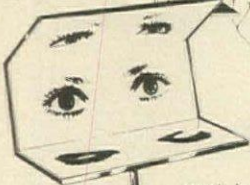
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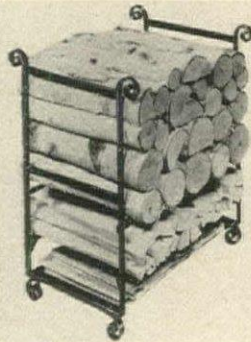


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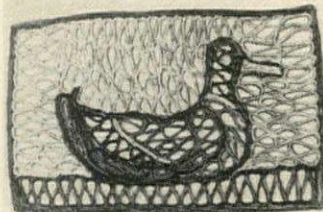
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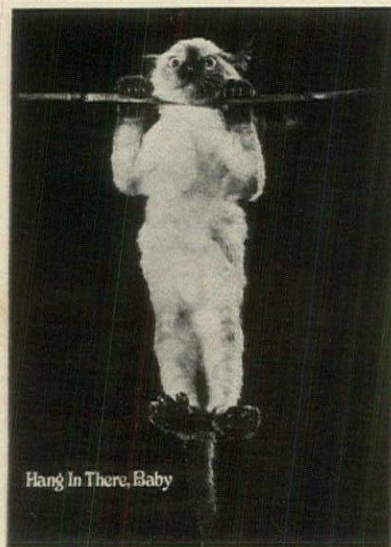
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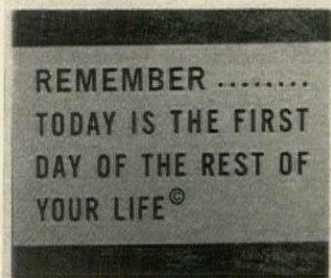


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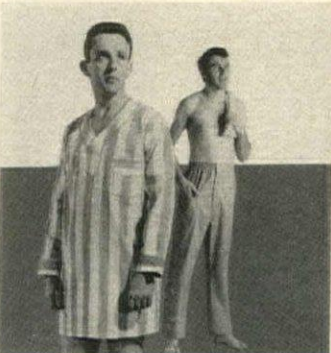
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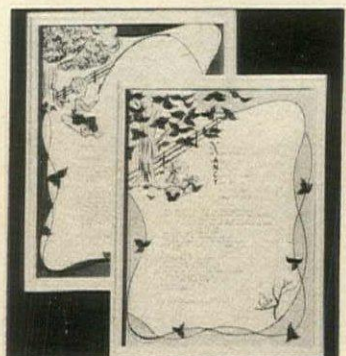
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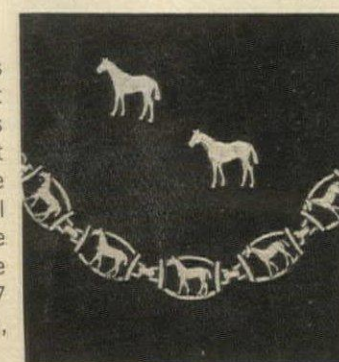
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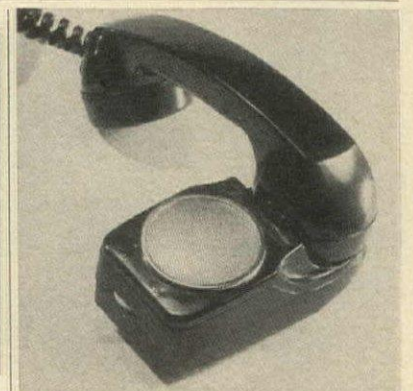
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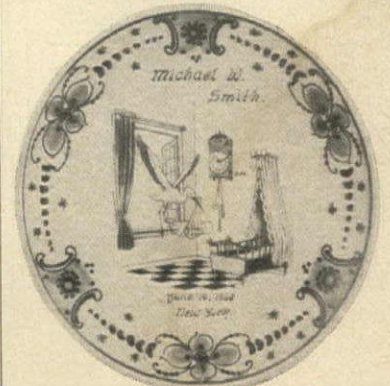
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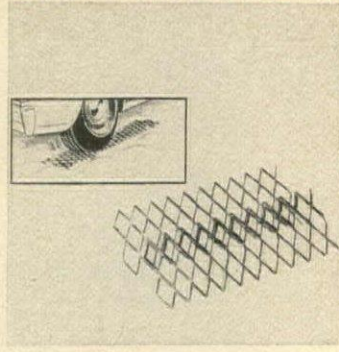
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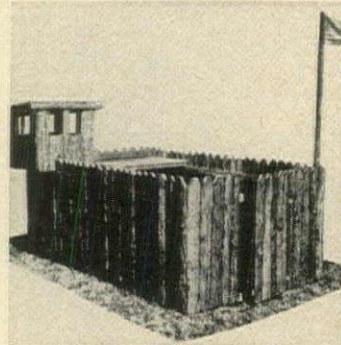
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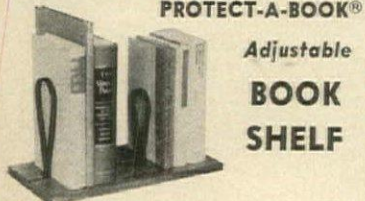
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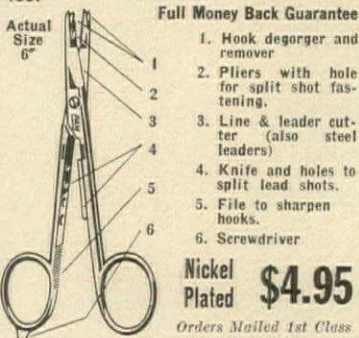
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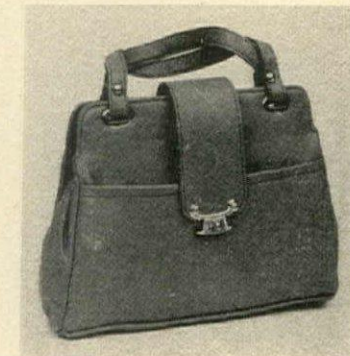
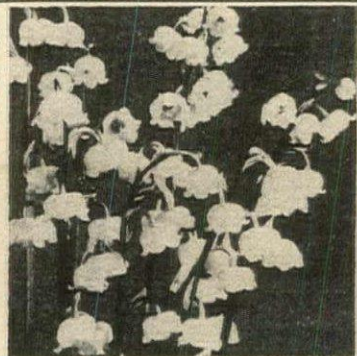
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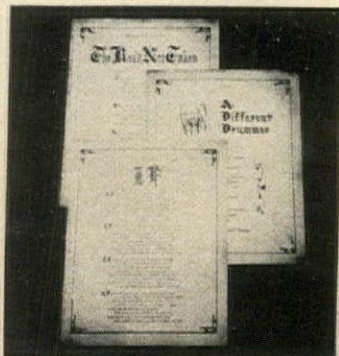
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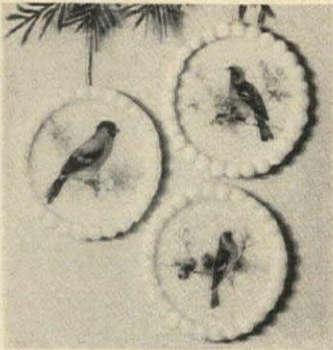
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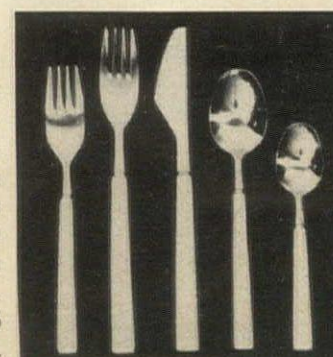
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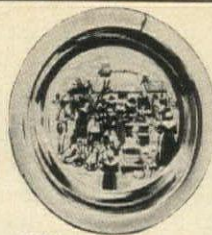


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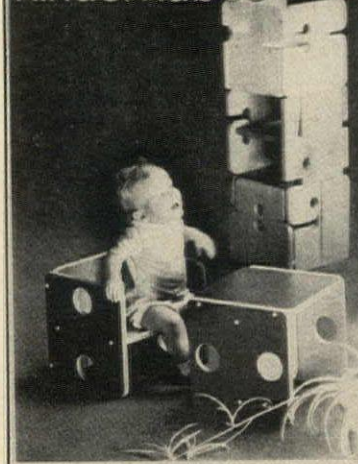
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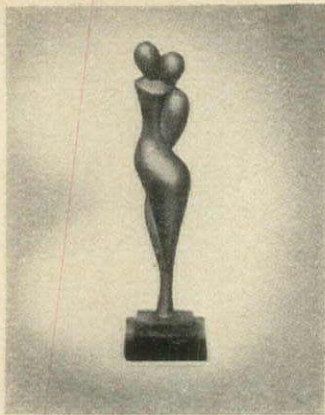
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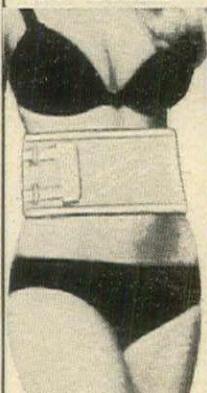
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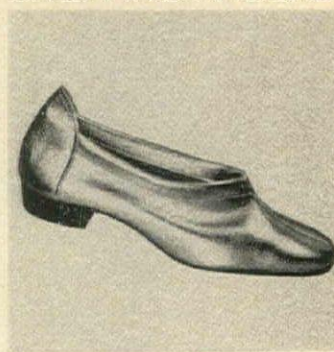


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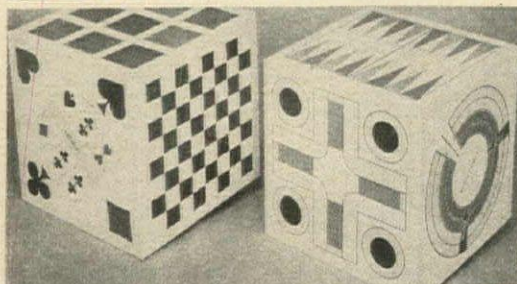
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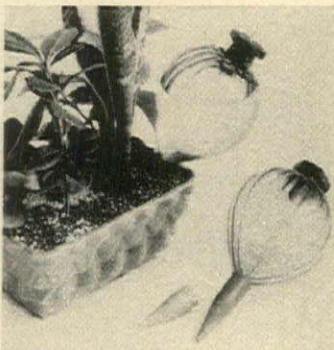
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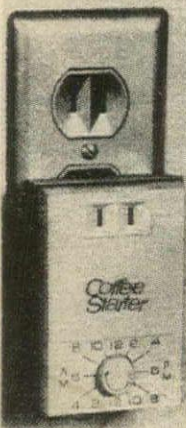
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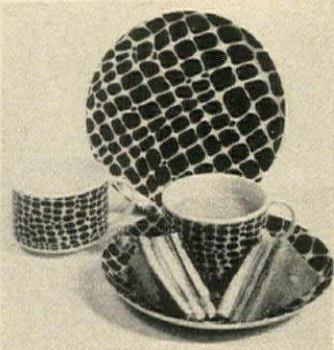
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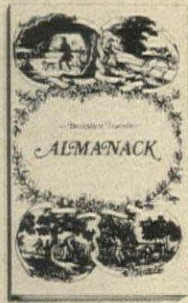
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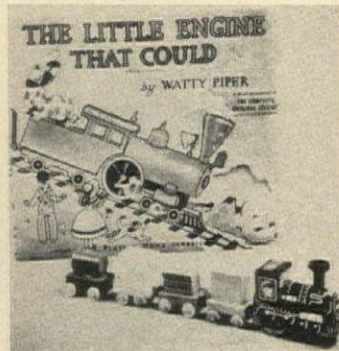
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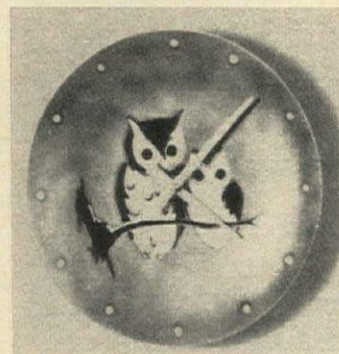
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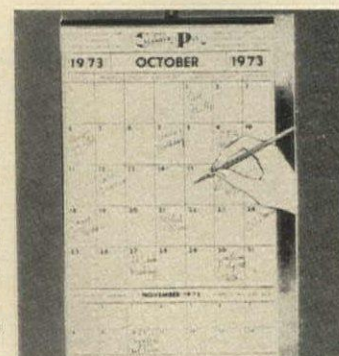
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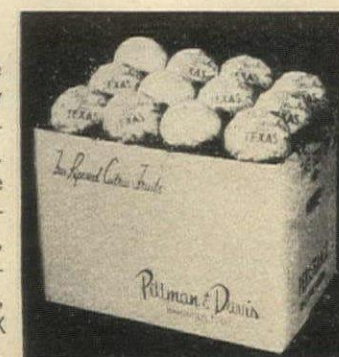
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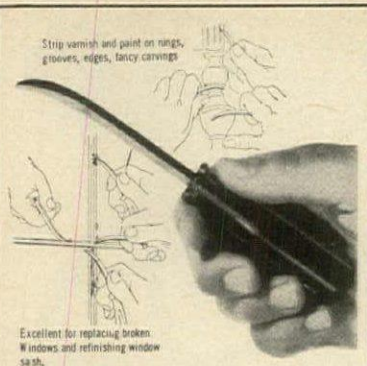
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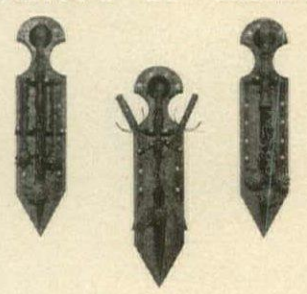
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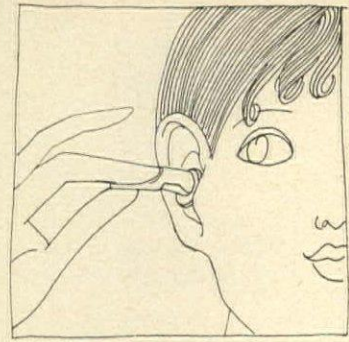
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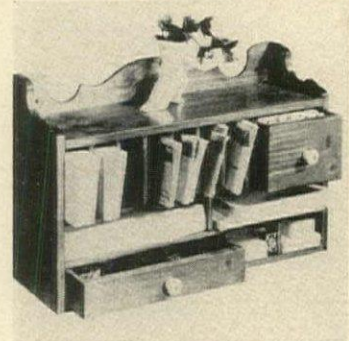
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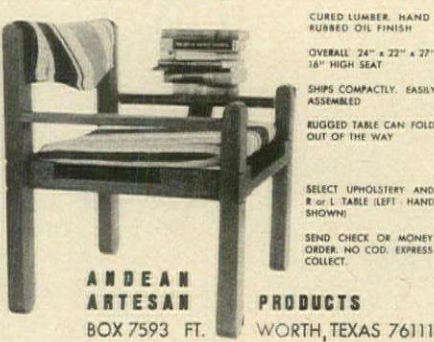


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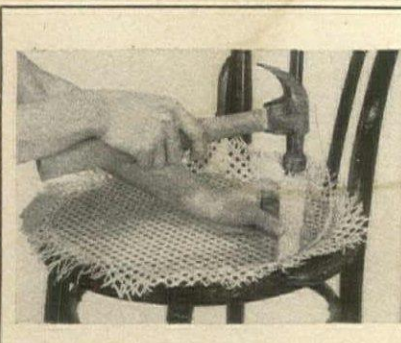
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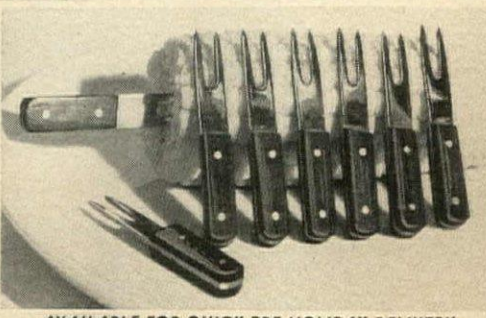
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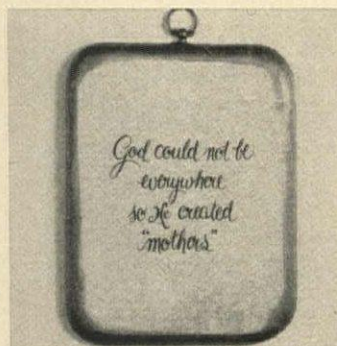
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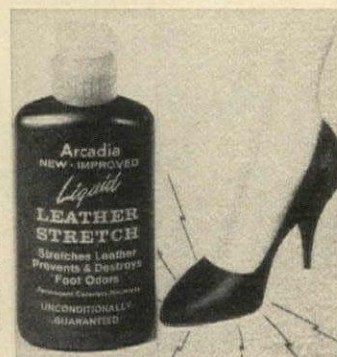
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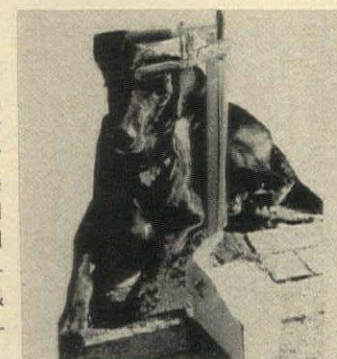
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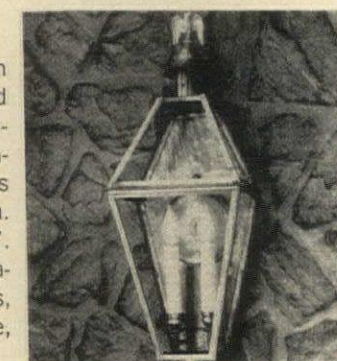
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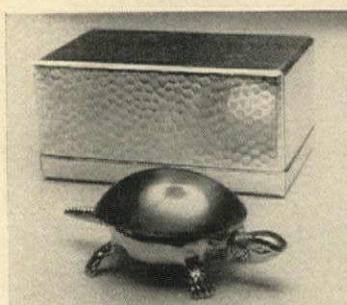


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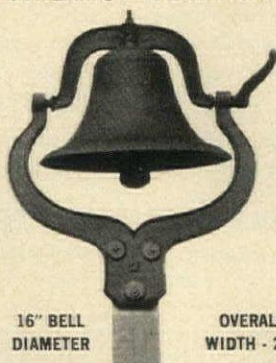
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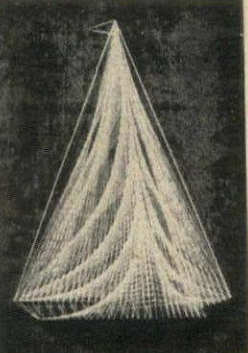
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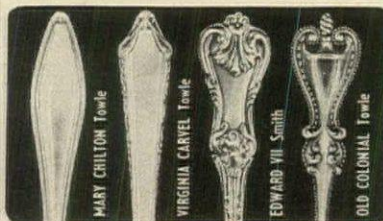
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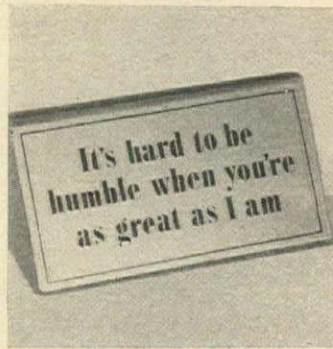
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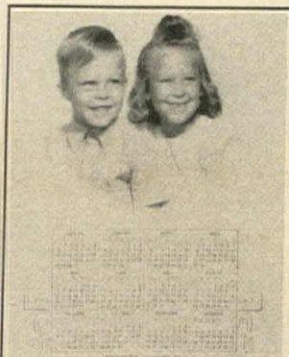
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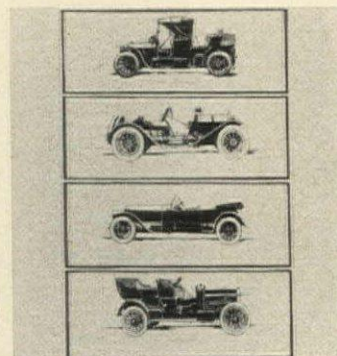
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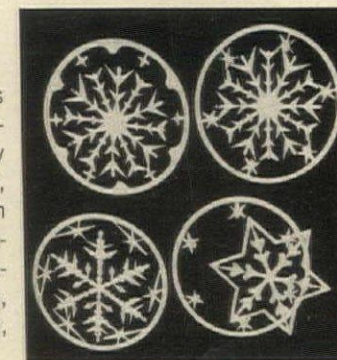
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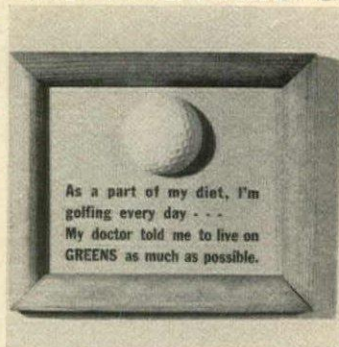
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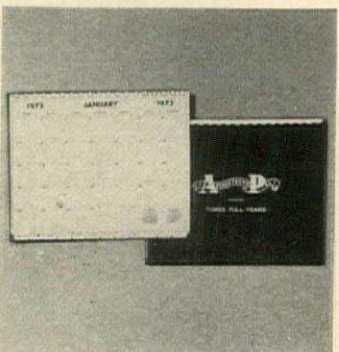


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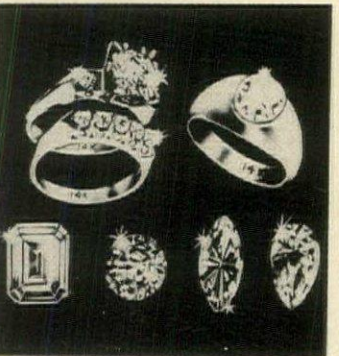
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The time came when someone in our inner circle of acquaintances mentioned the SPCA again.

"No," I said. "Never. They will not understand that Night Country talks. He is just a cat. We have seen already what will happen. A week or two and—"

A strong compulsion took me. I loved this animal from the cold night.

"If it becomes necessary," I spoke my ultimatum to a room where we had lived a quarter of a century. "If it becomes necessary we shall move, so help me. We won't desert him."

No one said anything. I realized with embarrassment my voice was shaking.

The next day the phone rang. Mrs. Werkley was crying but jubilant. Esther, Esther from the anthropology office would take Night Country. I breathed a long sigh and held my head against the wall. It was all right then. Esther was a beautiful kind-hearted girl. She was also of the younger generation that roams from Paris to Milan in the summers. She had her own world.

"Till the spring then," I whispered to myself. "Till the spring."

Months later at my request Night Country was brought once to see me at the office. He emerged promptly from the traveling case that I had purchased for Esther to take him away in. He was bigger now, but he still rolled over in his little friendly ritual. After this greeting he investigated each box and bone in my office. He discussed them, too, in that strange tonal language that I could no longer follow. Then he sat fascinated on my window ledge and watched a long freight train with brightly painted cars like toys pass on a trestle a block away. His eyes were very wide but he uttered no comment. Esther had left the room. Night Country was her cat now, though he finally found a little secret shelf among my skulls and peered out inscrutably at me from the night darkness that

would always follow him. I would never know if he remembered me.

Esther was going to Paris. We had to find another home for Night Country. One of my former students who lived in New Orleans was contacted. Yes, she and her husband would take him, but they had a dog, a big dog. If things worked out—

They did, as it so happened. "He is living in the dog house with the dog," the startling message came back. "Shep took to him immediately. We have never seen anything like it."

Ah, but I know, I thought, tilting back in my chair. Night Country must have talked to Shep and rolled over. He is walking through the world like a cat out of Eden. A Christmas cat. A cat who talks to each person once, just once. Now he has escaped the snow and is living in the house of a companionable great dog. Nothing, no one has ever broken his trust, since he made his decision and came crying to me from the bush on Christmas Eve.

Where had I read about an old circus lion in Britain who had escaped from his cage? They had found him on the moors bedded down with some sheep he had not harmed. It was the Christmas feel of kind, I thought, for the variegated life of the world across the boundaries of form, the thing so lost to most of us, save for the confident talking cat and the lion and the wistful thinking of poets like Hardy and Kathleen Raine:

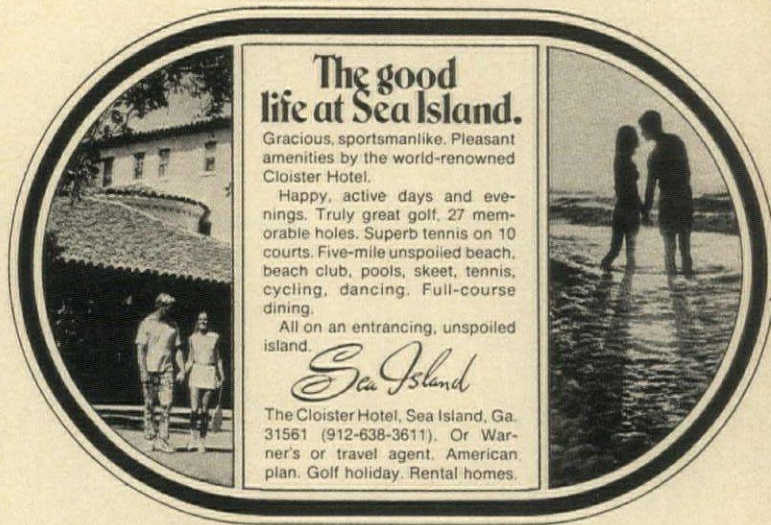
"Those eyes that opened on our earth at Bethlehem
Were all the world's young eyes;
The eyes of birds,
Wild creature's eyes . . .
Our childhood's innocent eyes . . ."^o

This was not the Christmas of the embossed cards. It was the message of the talking cat I had rescued from the snow. I would try to remember. He came to me, I thought. He had spoken just once and I had understood him. I did not have to hear twice. I would never forget. I had wanted him for myself but he was a message carrier and messengers cannot think of themselves. They must go on. I thought of him sleeping far away in New Orleans between the paws of a shepherd dog. I thought of the old lion who

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ber linen. There's not even a pattern in sight, yet the room is absolutely delightful and full of variety.

The texture of materials enhances patterns, deepens and enriches color, adds a whole new dimension to decorating. It never detracts, and always adds. But in special cases, like absolutely monotone rooms, texture can make the difference between vitality and utter death. In the Paris bedroom of Jean Michel Frank, that great French decorator of the thirties, the walls were painted a thick lustrous white with a glow as rich as if cream had been spilled on them. There were creamy parchment chairs, and beams, floors, and window trim of the snowiest bleached wood. Most unusual of all, the big bed was entirely upholstered and spread with plain, unpatterned, white needle-point. The room was entirely patternless, entirely colorless, and entirely breathtaking—full of the magic of texture on texture.

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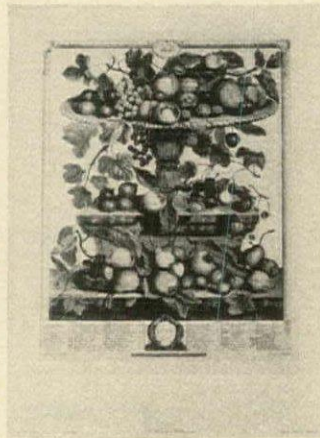
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Gardener's notes

BY JAMES FANNING



In the 18th century, fruit growing was more popular than at any time since. There were as many varieties of apples, pears, peaches, and plums as there are of roses today. Connoisseurs vied to see how many different kinds they could grow to perfection. To record all of this, artists spent months and years drawing, painting, and engraving the pages of calendars, almanacs, and nursery catalogues. One of the finest of these illustrated lists was published in 1732 by Robert Furber, a nurseryman in Kensington, England. Among the treasures of the Pierpont Morgan Library in New York is a copy of this catalogue, with twelve pages of engraved fruits arranged according to the time of year each ripens. Under the title *Twelve Months of Fruits*, it has now been reproduced in the form of a portfolio. The set would make a beautiful present for any fruit-lover, antiquarian, or connoisseur of prints. Any one, such as the page, **LEFT**, framed, would also make a

fine gift. Pages are 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ -by-16 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches printed on sheets that allow a wide margin all around. The portfolio is \$12, plus 75c postage, Delville Publishing, P. O. Box 1651, Nashville, Tenn., 37202.

Wood ashes from the fireplace are best of all possible treatments for ice-glazed steps, paths, or walks. Gritty enough to keep feet from slipping, they absorb sun heat to melt into and break up hard-frozen ice. Unless the ashes are applied in tremendous quantity, there's no danger of damage to grass or shrubs, either. Leached away by melting water or rain, they carry small amounts of potash into the ground, which may be just what your lawn needs—at least it can't do it harm.

A plant catalogue to get your teeth into is the one published by International Growers Exchange, Inc. No pretty pictures—just a teeming list of plants to be ordered by mail. Some are rare exotics, others familiar garden denizens. Orchids abound in this catalogue, so do bulbs—some as rare as *Notholirion*, a fabulous lily relative from the Himalayas. The catalogue, entitled *The Wide, Wide World of Bulbs and Plants*, is \$2 from International Exchange, Inc., P. O. Box 397, Farmington, Mich., 48042. Supplementary lists are sent out free at different times of the year.

Best news in many a season is that flower shows are on the increase. A couple of years ago, when New York's International Flower Show suspended operations, there was a widespread shaking of heads and pronouncements to the effect that flower shows were a thing of the past. But the doomsayers were wrong, as doomsayers so often are. Now, in New York City itself, the fall flower show in Bryant Park has become an established annual event, with thronging attendance every year. In Boston and Philadelphia the annual shows are the same coruscating rites of spring they have been for generations. And in Indianapolis, Ind., a Garden and Patio Show is being planned to herald spring in the Midwest. This will be on view March 3 to March 11, 1973 in the Exhibition Hall at the State Fair Grounds, presumably establishing a tradition as firm as those of Boston or Philadelphia. And a whole series of flower shows is being planned by the Florists' Transworld Delivery Association (FTD). Shows will be held in shopping centers across the nation at various times of year and will demonstrate the numberless uses of cut flowers and house plants.

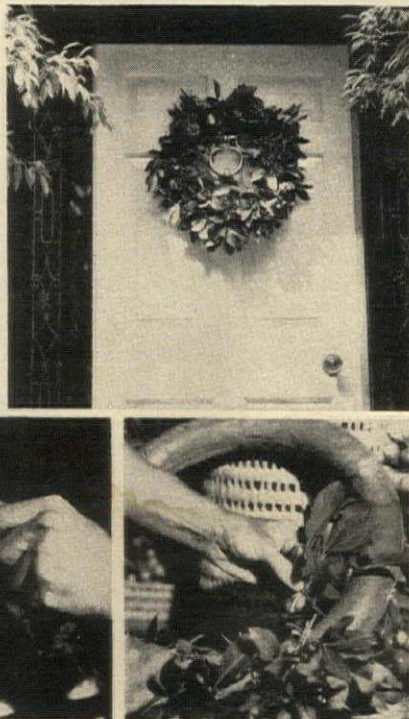
Biggest rose ever to become an All-America Selection is Medallion, one of three named as winners for 1973. Medallion is the color of peach ice cream, with egg-shaped flowers that may be 6 inches or more long, on straight stems like the old favorite Queen Elizabeth. All three 1973 roses are hybrid teas. Gypsy is orange-red, on a vigorous, productive plant. Electron is what old-time growers would call a real rose. It is a bright rose pink, full, round, many-petaled, and it has a real rose fragrance. The flowers will come in clusters if it's not disbudded. Under the name Mullard Jubilee, Electron won a fistful of prizes in Europe before coming to the U.S., and will undoubtedly garner many more awards over here. All three of the 1973 selections and a long list of earlier winners are available for Christmas giving this year and, of course, for planting in the coming spring. Look for the green and white All-America Rose Selection tag, right, on the rose you buy. It means that the rose wearing the tag has been thoroughly tested under all kinds of climatic conditions and may be expected to turn in a topnotch performance practically anywhere. Your rose gift selections will be sent to any part of the United States at the exact time they should be planted.



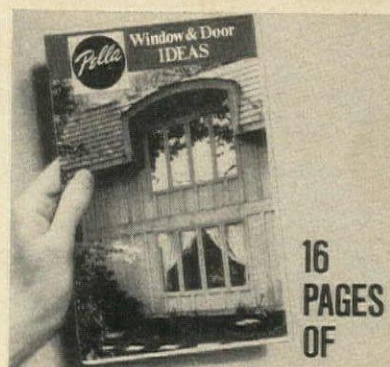
Listing all the plants that grow wild in a particular area is a staggering task. Most botanical field guides merely skim the surface of the plants actually found in the areas they deal with. Understandable, since full coverage calls for thousands of entries and may run to several volumes, even for as restricted an area as a single one of the United States. The more credit, then, goes to the University of Southern Illinois for its *Illustrated Flora of Illinois*, which, when completed, will describe every plant that grows wild anywhere in the state. Under the direction of botany professor Robert H. Mohlenbrock, four volumes have already been published, with several more in prospect. Most recently issued is *Grasses: Bromus to Paspalum*. This includes half of the grasses to be found in Illinois—the remaining will be covered in a volume to be published in 1973. Already available are *Ferns*, *Flowering Plants: Flowering Rush to Rushes*, and *Flowering Plants: Lilies to Orchids*. There is a complete description of each plant listed, and each is illustrated by a clearly detailed line drawing. Since most of the Illinois plants also grow in other regions, this will be a useful botanical reference. Price of the fern book is \$8; the rest are \$10 each, from Southern Illinois Univ. Press, Carbondale, Ill., 62901.

Soil is the first concern of every gardener. Dry or soggy, sweet or sour, light or heavy, the quality of the earth a garden grows in makes all the difference between plants that are healthy and productive and those that droop and languish. You need a particularly well-trained green thumb, though, to tell exactly what kind of soil you have by simply picking up a handful. In fact, when it comes to such delicately balanced factors as pH and trace elements, even the best-trained thumb needs the assistance of chemical tests. Kits for making these tests are simple and easy to use. All they require is an ability to follow instructions and an eye for matching the color of the solution to one or another of the colors on a chart (if you are color blind, you're out of luck). One of the oldest and most reputable firms marketing soil test kits is Sudbury Laboratory. Simplest kit is for testing soil acidity (pH) and sells for \$1.75. Most elaborate includes tests for boron and a lot of other trace elements and is priced at \$42.95. The kits are sold at garden supply shops everywhere, or by mail from Sudbury Laboratory, Inc., Sudbury, Mass., 01776. Any one of them would be an appropriate Christmas present for a gardener who aspires to a super green thumb.

Simple secrets for do-it-yourself wreaths for doorway or mantel were shared with us by Stephen Barany who concocts marvels with flowers and objects for any season, any room in the house. "The core of any wreath," he says, "is the same—just a green Styrofoam ring from the dime store. If you want to make a particularly fat, luxuriant wreath, then get two rings, one large and one small, and tie them together. The components of any wreath should be whatever you like best. I like laurel leaves, but you could use soft pine; and I like berries—fake or real—pine cones, little fake red apples, and ribbons. I keep all these things in separate baskets right at my fingertips around my worktable so that I can choose what I want as I see the wreath take shape. If you use leaves, like laurel, bunch them with very little stem so that the leaves won't stand too far away from the ring; the wreath looks fuller. Each bunch of leaves, berries, or whatever is wired tightly—at the center of the wire—then the ends of wire—about 1½ inches long—are twisted so they'll be strong.



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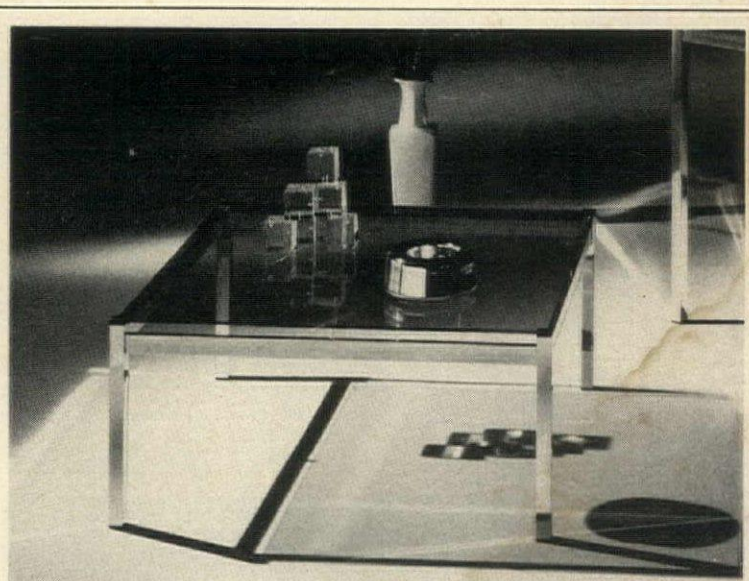
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Wash and dry the turkey inside and out. Trim fat and excess tissue from inside neck skin and top of breast skin through neck opening. Be sure to clear the skin flap of fat, any remaining glands, etc. Sew neck flap very tightly closed to shoulder and back skin to seal so seasoning liquid can be contained. Reserve giblets.

Brown onion sections in peanut oil, and drain. Combine vermouth, 3 cups water, tangerine zest, star anise (if using extract, do not add until after marinade has boiled), cinnamon pieces, cloves, and brown sugar in a heavy enameled saucepan and bring to a boil. Add browned onions. Put turkey in container large enough to hold it, cavity end up, pour half boiling marinade into cavity, the other half over turkey. Cover and start turkey marinating breast down and marinate in refrigerator 2 days, turning turkey 2 to 4 times.

When ready to roast, drain off the marinade into a heavy enameled saucepan. Put the giblets in the bottom of a roasting pan (an enameled pan is best), then put in a rack. Bring the marinade to a boil and pour as much into the cavity as it will hold, with half the onions. Sew the cavity tightly shut so that the steam will be contained within the bird. Put the turkey on rack in roasting pan. Brush outside of turkey with soy sauce, then

with oil. Pour remaining marinade and onions into bottom of pan and add enough water so liquid level is just under turkey.

Make a tent of heavy duty aluminum foil to cover turkey: form it inside roasting pan and about 1 inch away from turkey all around. Join any seams with a triple fold, pressing edges tightly together so tent will be steamproof. Roast turkey in a 250° oven for 20-30 minutes per pound for a bird 20 pounds or more, depending on degree of doneness desired. Miss Lorrington recommends slow roasting the turkey if the oven is reliable. Otherwise, follow the timetable of a good cook book. If cooked by the slow roasting method, the moisture within the turkey assists in cooking, so turkey cooks from inside as well as outside.

Let turkey cool at least $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before emptying the juices from the cavity (reserve them) and carving. Strain the cooking liquid, scrape the bottom of the roasting pan to get up the brown bits, and degrease. An easy way is to put the liquid into the freezer until the fat solidifies on top, then remove the fat. If desired, thicken the sauce: use 2 teaspoons cornstarch, mixed to a paste with a little water, for each cup of liquid. Cook, stirring, until smooth and thickened. NOTE: The quantities of the ingredients in the marinade may be adjusted for smaller birds. Temperature and cooking time should also be adjusted.