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OI THE COVER: The California House of Mr. John G. Dempsey, designed by Worley K. Wong, architect, and John Carden Campbell (see pages 104, 138). Photographed by Fred Lyon. For shopping information please turn to page 165.


# Pacifica 

## A new trend in LIVING

Inspired by the islands and countries of the Pacific, this new trend
creates an atmosphere of serenity, a low-tension pattern
for the high-tension world in which most of us live today.
You don't have to escape to the South Sea Islands to achieve it
You don't have to play Gauguin, Stevenson, or Nordhoff and Hall to enjoy it. In this issue, we show you ways and means to capture its charm.

## A new mood in DECORATING

> Look for the lanai, the latticed wall, the sliding panel, the patio
> Look for the airy coolness of grass cloth, bamboo, and matting
> Look for the k'ang, the low table, the ottoman, the floor cushion
> Look for the clean-swept colors of sand, sun, sea, and sky
> Look for textures that range from grained wood to metal
> Look for designs that stem from Island themes
out of the pacific

# A philosophy of serenity 

by J. C. Furnas

Quintessence of serenity: the Pacific island of Oahu

Down there the trade winds blow most of the year. They are reliable as the sun, liquid as the never-ending blue salt water that dwarfs the Islands on the map. Nobody has ever defined the "down there" in question. It is a world of islands-the serener part of the Pacific that they call the South Seas-west and south of the Golden Gate, very far west, very far south, but, for all its distance, exerting bland influences back on the continent of nine-to-five. From Hawaii and beyond, close to the mass of Asia, the details can be volcanically monumental like Saipan in the Marianas or incredibly sculptured like the inland crags of Eimeo across from Tahiti, piled with greenery but stern with character or superbly stretched out in necklace-style atolls, the flattest, most precarious land in the world and the most intimate with sun and sea and the wind.
he sea will drown you, given half a chance, the sun will flay you, but the trade winds are all benevolence. They invisibly pervade and sustain, slightly anesthetize and yet sharpen awareness. They feel like a property of one's own skin rather than an outside force traveling thousands of miles impersonally to confirm some weatherman's theory of aircurrents. The effect on the personality-a slightly swimmy euphoria taken for granted within a few days-is something you could never deduce from the standard South Seas movie. It is prevalent almost everywhere, as much on the barrenest scrap of islet as on the windward coast of Hawaii's Oahu, taking inland the noise of the great Pacific breakers.

How much the trade winds contribute is never understood until the short seasons when they temporarily die away. Then they talk of Kona weather in Hawaii and people get twitchy and troubled in spirit. In Samoa they are oppressively daunted by the wild way the weather drums on the corrugated iron roof-the Rain motif, sure enough. In the Cook Islands, since the hazardous weather at these times of year means lack of ships to bring imported butter, you take to mashed alligator pear on your breakfast bread and find it an admirable substitute. Such seasons often mean the stultifying languor of the equatorial tropics pervading the human system like a disease, making mere existence an ordeal. But with the eventual revival of the trade winds, all this disappears, making instantly understandable what Robert Louis Stevenson, the writer who best recorded the South Seas, meant when he wrote that this climate made "my bones feel sweeter to me." The basic thing that drew the
(Cont'd on page 147)


## PACIFICA IS

lanai living: open yet sheltered



- Rooms are shaded by the low eaves of a sloping roof, ventilated by Japanese grilles at the gable ends

The Honolulu house of Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit P. Judd, 3rd, can be opened on all sides
to the out-of-doors with Oriental sliding walls

## the latticed wall

Horizontal and upright planes create
decorative patterns of light in the Judd dining room


- In the dining room sliding panels of wood and opaque glass provide decoration, light, and ventilation

Mr. and Mrs. Judd's Japanese-inspired house, designed by Albert Ives and decorated by George Spencer, has the clean-swept elegance, the precise details of its Oriental predecessors. Although uncluttered, it is warm rather than bare in feeling, because of the extensive use of native woods and textured, tweedy fabrics. The dining room, below, has the latticed air of a tea house, which comes from a wall of opaque glass panels. It glows with the warm color of Koawood walls. Chair cushions are sea-green.



Polished wood and stone give the hallway an airy uncluttered look


- Furniture pushed clear of center in the drawing room combines with low horizontal lines to create a clean-swept elegance

The entrance, top above, is paved in Hawaiian lava rock, walled on one long side with sliding wood panels which open into closets and a powder room. The front door also slides open or closed, is paneled in glass. The white ceiling is trimmed with dark wood. The drawing room, above, has the textural interest, the impressive calm of the large Japanese paintings that dominate two walls (a third wall opens onto a terrace). The floor is covered in black and white tiles laid in a checkerboard pattern. The two 12 -foot sofas are upholstered in white tweed. The chairs, of a different texture, are also white. Sofa cushions are of green silk. Other accents are provided by the black lacquer Japanese tables and the Chinese pewter lamps. More photos page 137


## PACIFICA IS

## natural textures

## Coral rock and wood are

## combined in Mrs. William Worthington's

## Hawaiian house

It is texture that gives a casual, informal character to this house. Outside, the texture of the tawny coral rock, of whitewashed conerete blocks, of striated wood. Inside, the texture of more concrete blocks, this time combined with the sheerest silks of China, with gold Chinese tea paper, with the glossy sheen of Biedermeier, Chinese teak, and antique furniture of the Hawaiian monarchy which shows English influence. Vladimir Ossipoff, architect, designed this house and Damon Giffard decorated it to complement the sophisticated personality of its owner. White prevails, indoors as well as outside. In the drawing room there are citron-white walls, shell-white chairs, sheer white curtains combined with green. White is also used with green in the dining room, with gold in Mrs. Worthington's bedroom, with brown in her son's bedroom, and with pink in the kitchen. Fabrics with rough, tweedy textures keep the indoors relaxed and informal in atmosphere.

## Opposite

- Coral rock, concrete blocks, wood, and translucent glass create a dramatic entrance

You enter Mrs. Worthington's house on steps of coral rock, between a wall of whitewashed concrete blocks and a house wall of light native wood. Combined with the striated wood ceiling and the translucent glass panels beside the door, these materials create a dramatic, all-pastel effect, accented by green of tropical plants.

- Mrs. Worthington's bedroom combines

Chinese silk and concrete blocks


- Entrance hall contrasts genisaro wood with cork tile floor and concrete blocks


- In the drawing room,
furniture is low,
fabrics are luxurious


## Mrs. Margaret Emerson's

Hawaiian house has a terrace
canopied in bamboo

## Opposite

- White Thunbergia blossoms
festoon a court for outdoor living

Both the drawing and dining rooms open out into this leafy court, banked with cool green tree ferns and Monstera, and covered with a laced bamboo pergola, overflowing with the lavish blossoms of a white Thunbergia vine. The result is a florally opulent setting for outdoor living, entertaining.


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## the airy look of bamboo

This house was created for one of Hawaii's most charming hostesses. Designed by Vladimir Ossipoff and decorated by Robert Ansteth, its mood is both suave and relaxed. Its air of leisure is emphasized by many conversational groups: low, broad chairs interspersed with accommodating tables, one of which, foreground above, is a 17 th-century antique from China's Jehol Province. In the drawing room, fabrics of silver and gold vie with yellow, emerald green.


- A window corner for Canasta overlooks the Pacific Ocean



## PACIFICA IS

## the coolness of grass cloth

## Storage is behind grass-cloth panels in

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Y. Ward's house below Diamond Head

From the entrance hall, below, with its easy-to-care-for cork tile floor to the meticu-lously-designed clothes closets, opposite, everything in Mr. and Mrs. Ward's house has been designed for easy, ordered living. Architect Vladimir Ossipoff has seen to it that each section-living, sleeping, and service-has convenient, capacious storage space. Bookshelves are built-in; so is the music system, which is arranged so that Mrs. Ward can listen to the same concert in her potting room that Mr. Ward is listening to in his study. Surfaces everywhere are simple, texturally varied, and easy to clean.


- Storage is built-in, minutely planned

Mr. Ward's brown and beige study, above, has bookshelves built into the window wall. Both the dining room and the hall outside Mrs. Ward's bedroom, opposite, have storage space behind sliding doors, carefully divided so that Mrs. Ward's clothes, linens, china, and cutlery are always ready for use and in perfect order.


- Entrance hall has easy-to-clean cork tile floor. The door wall is a black cedar and glass Japanese grille


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patio living<br>\section*{It satisfies the prevailing}<br>desire to be indoors<br>and outdoors at the same time

- The Ward master bedroom opens onto
a Japanese miniature garden

- All rooms in the Ward house open onto a court, terrace, or garden

Diamond Head looms behind the Ward house and Honolulu lies below it. From practically every room you can enjoy either a big view or an intimate view, for most rooms open onto a court, terrace, or garden. When the drawing room is opened on two sides for parties, the guests circulate freely from the lanai court, above, through the drawing room to a terrace on the other side. More photos, page 144

- The large shadow of

Diamond Head emphasizes the intimacy of the entrance



# A new mood in decorating 

The trend toward uncomplicated living is surging across America. From the West Coast to the East, houses are flinging open their walls to sun and sky. Gardens are turning into outdoor living rooms. Furniture is being designed for interchangeable use. A brand new tide of textures is coming in. All this adds up to a new mood in decorating, a style which gives meaning and unity to indoor-ontdoor living. It is called Pacifica. Architects, decorators, and designets have found new inspiration in the islands of the Pacific and the countries bordering it. They are adapting for American use such time-tested ideas as the shoji (sliding wall panel), sukiyaki tables, and floor cushions from Japan; the hikie from Hawaii; South Sea motifs deriving from tapa cloth, fishnet, and primitive carvings. A color palette is evolving from sun-bleached sand, brown-black lava, blue skies, tropical birds, flowers. Here and on the next 16 pages, House $\&$ Garden presents a portfolio in this new decorating mood.

## Opposite

## The sun-swept look

Pacifica is a feeling, not a formula. It's a feeling for leafy patterns, linear designs, one-color effects, and lightstruck textures. It's the brilliant flash of orange as an accent color. It's a bold Papaya print by Vera. It's tropical fish suspended as a mobile. It's a tall trestle room divider lined with thin wood bowls which suggest hand caryings from the South Seas. Inspired by Pacifica, such manufacturers as Cheney Brothers, Schumacher, and James Lees and Sons have created new designs in fabrics, wallpapers, and carpets to help you create the Pacifica mood.

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For a list of stores featuring Pacifica merchandise and shopping information on this and the following pages, see page 165.
Additional merchandise is shown on page 156.

Pacific continued
Designs that stem from the islands

## ННРНННПП

- The open-weave look in "Tonga Thatch," a bold geometric in light and dark Gunmetal on $50^{\prime \prime}$ cotton twill.

- Bamboo design molded in 54 vinyl fabric wall covering or upholstery called "Suva."
- "Water Grasses," left, in muted tones on $50^{\circ}$ Orlon and on matching sailletth.

- Hand-carved motifs, left, from a primitive adz adapted by Vera to "Diavalo" wallpaper, in five subtle color combinations.


- The look of sculpture in an abstract pattern, "Fiji," woven into 50" cotton-and-rayon damask in Terra Cotta and Pebble beige.

- Tropical fish and shells in a large-scaled print by Ken Scott, called "A Fish is a Fish," on 50" linen and on pure silk.

- Island butterflies and flowers are outlined by Vera on wallpaper called "Funafuti."
- Reeds, chenille, Lurex metal yarns are hand woven into a blind by Dorothy Liebes, right.



## Furniture with a low axis



Above: The k'ang couch, derived from the Chinese bed, has low, squared lines, a railing at one side and across the back. It's of rattan in a light teak finish, with a foam-rubber mattress upholstered in beige linen. Arranged informally around it are black lacquer tables, $20^{\prime \prime}$ square and $11^{\prime \prime}$ high, which come in groups of four and can be combined or separated for an infinite number of uses as either tables or benches. The square ( $24^{\prime \prime}$ ) lamp table is also black lacquer.

Opposite: Ottomans on metal legs serve as dining chairs around a low sukiyaki table, in this dining room overlooking an individual sundeck and a grove of eucalyptus trees in San Rafael, California. Motifs from the South Sea islands are used throughout this room. A primitive print covers the low ottomans; island grasses in sand and gray on white make a shadow print on sheer curtains. Wall-towall carpeting is a spatter design which resembles crushed rock.




## The light look in wrought-iron furniture

Opposite: In a dining room overlooking a sundeck, a dining table with a black wrought-iron base, has an interestingly grained Kelobra wood top, shaped in the graceful curve of a surfboard. The low-backed iron dining * chairs have Cerulean Blue seats and back pads. The table and chairs, designed by Peter Rooke-Ley, are shown in the Kent Woodlands, California, house of Mr. John G. Dempsey
Above: Rounded black iron combines smoothly with a square slab of light mahogany and makes a clean-cut dining table. Chairs are covered with a white textured fabric. Note the compatibility of walnut with lacquer on the cabinet, of hemlock walls with white brick, in the San Rafael, California, house of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. MacChesney.
Right: On a sundeck, black iron frames sturdy fishnet to make low, curving sun cots. Deep sun chairs have sea-green and sun-yellow cushions.



# Furniture that fits 

## any arrangement

## Opposite

## Rattan accented

## by black and white

Rattan officer chairs have zippered slings of sand-colored heavy textured fabric in this lounging corner of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. MacChesney's San Rafael, California, house Rattan sofa and ottoman, by Paul Frankl, are covered in a sturdy molded vinyl. Black and white accents: the decorative wall scroll, sofa pillows, the marbleized flooring.

Three outsize ottomans line up to form an inviting, low bench in front of the raised fireplace in the Lafayette, California, house of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson. Ottomans (these are covered in a sand-colored tweed) have mahogany legs, can be used separately, re-arranged for any kind of seating. Textured, tapa-design rug is in beige and brown.


FRED LYON

## Spare and simple lines

The classic hikie, covered in orange tweed, is derived from an age-old Hawaiian version. The armless lounge chair has been scaled to fit, equally pared down, equally close to the floor. And on the same low plane are a pair of Japanese black lacquer tables. Note the unfamiliar, off-balance arrangement, with hikie placed at right angles to the curved window wall in the house of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson. The carpeting is sand colored.

Opposite

## A new height for dining

The cocktail-dining table, large enough to seat four, is derived from the Japanese sukiyaki table. This has a split and pressed bamboo top, with frame and curved legs (reminiscent of the sukiyaki tables' turtle legs) in a darker. con trasting wood. Tweed-covered cushions are used with it, Japanese fashion, tossed on hemp squares. Table is set with green plates, lighted by low-hanging Japanese lanterns.



Opposite

## Black metal accents

## the linear look

The controlled, linear look characteristic of the Far East is captured in this dining table and chairs. Chair backs and arm rests are exactly table height, carry out low, horizontal lines. Of mat-finished black metal, they are slanted for seating comfort, light, easy to move about. Upholstery is luxurious, acid-green Siamese silk.

Textures and colors
that set off

## traditional pieces

The centerpiece sets the Pacifica mood, shows how well it blends with modern American china in sandalwood (Franciscan's "Encanto Nuevo"), with American goblets and decanter (by Tiffin Glass) and American silver (by Gorham). Woven palm leaf screen by Ficks Reed picks up the Eleanor Forbes designed, rattan dining chairs by the McGuire Company, the straw mats from the Mayhew Shop. Coral notes: the monogrammed, double damask napkins from Léron, slip cover made of Schumacher linen. The shell ash trays are from the Mayhew Shop.



Firecracker red sets the mood in Japanese brocade runners,
butterfly orchids, lacquered bowls. Square plates are black and gold.


On a mirror-topped table, water lilies are arranged in an
antique Chinese Lowestoft duck dish, with cereus-shaped dessert dishes.


## Hawaiian idyll

## The Pacific archipelago offers flowers and hospitality in abundance.

## The Matson Line takes you there in air-conditioned splendor

## Opposite

## Low tables, bright flowers for informal dining

Mrs. George H. Moody of Honolulu likes to entertain in her garden beside a lily pool. She finds wooden plates ideal for out-of-doors and often uses them, sometimes lacquered, sometimes finished to make the most of natural graining. For House \& Garden, she set three tables in a tropical mood.

Mark Twain, who visited Hawaii and never forgot it, once wrote retrospectively: "In my nostrils still lives the breath of flowers that perished twenty years ago." And the breath of flowers, if you visit Hawaii by ship, is the first thing to greet you, drifting languorously, across the water. If you make the trip from either San Francisco or Los Angeles on the Matson Line's airconditioned S.S. Lurline, styled and decorated by Raymond Loewy, you will be somewhat familiar with the effect of Hawaiian flora by the time you arrive; for most of the decoration-patterned fabrics, murals, and plaques-reflects the appearance of the islands, and the luxurious lanai suites have grilled room dividers, banked with tropical plants. Massed on the dining-room tables are the tartly aromatic carnations of which you will see so many during your sojourn. You will also have had a foretaste of the monochromatic room schemes prevalent in Hawaiian homes, where color is abundant in flowers and people's clothes.
FLowers greet you practically everywhere you go on the islands. At the entrance to the dining room of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel there is a fantastic tree, whose blooms change daily: orange, pink, and red hibiscus one day, white and yellow carnations another, or masses of pink orchids. At parties flowers may float in huge, low bowls, stream down the center of a long table, or twine around the wire forms of outsized pineapples. On the island of Hawaii at Hilo fields of orchids stretch like velvet lakes across the landscape. Kauai is bursting with gardens. hospitality is similarly widespread. Whenever it is proffered, it appears spontaneous, effortless. This is true in both private homes and the hotels of Waikiki: in the pink Royal Hawaiian, rising out of a tropical garden as glamorously and festively as a Russian Easter egg (this hotel has been decorated (Continued on page 155)

## How to achieve

the Pacifica look in

your own house



Airy cane matting makes a headboard
In a bedroom, a double bed or single beds pushed together help carry out the low, horizontal look. These single beds can swing out for making up, are joined by a single headboard of cane matting outlined in dark teak.


Bleached wood tones key a bedroom
In a pale beige bedroom, headboard, storage chests, and bedside tables are all of light-finish ash. Lines are squared, the drawer pulls are unobtrusive.

A movable sun screen provides shade wherever you want it
These have plastic webbing to filter the too-hot overhead sun but not block out welcome breezes. They are adjustable, made of easy-to-move aluminum, finished to be entirely weatherproof.


Versatile cabinet, ottomans save space
This cabinet can serve as a buffet or sideboard, store liquor. It is oak in a nutmeg finish with black Formica top, brass, banding, teardrop pulls, foam-rubber upholstered ottomans. Acetate carpet is "Tropica pattern.


An over-wide sofa minimizes its own size
Blending into a contemporary sitting room, an $86^{\prime \prime}$-wide sofa can be made to look light. Covered in "Tonga Thatch," a cotton twill print. The sofa has rounded legs.


A pair of six-drawer chests has a clean-cut look
For a Pacifica note in a contemporary bedroom, create low, horizontal lines with a pair of storage chests placed side by side. These are made of light tanguile mahogany from the Philippines, have brass wave puils.



The façade is pale pink and white.
Francois Joseph Bellanger was the architect

# Pavillon Colombe 

This small house outside of Paris, restored by the Marquis and Marquise de Talleyrand,
is a compendium of 18th-century French taste


The Marquise de Talleyrand is celebrated for her flower arrangements.

In America, a pavilion has come to mean either a glorified swimming-pool cabaña or a sample booth at a fair. In France, it is a beautiful house, relatively small but perfect down to the last detail. Take, for example, the Pavillon Colombe, shown here. Like many 18th-century châteaux-in-miniature, its origins are of a slightly scandalous interest. It was built by a collector of farm revenues for two beautiful Italian actresses, stars of the Commedia dell' Arte. Called Les Demoiselles Colombe, Fragonard painted them holding doves in their hands. As colombe means dove, this gave the Pavillon its name and perhaps forecast its singularly peaceful, romantic charm. In 1916, it so fascinated the novelist Edith Wharton that she acquired it and immediately set out restoring it and buying back its dispersed lands. In 1937, it passed to the Marquis and Marquise de Talleyrand (he inherited a superb 18th-century collection; she is an American-who has made a great study of French houses and gardens). With exceptional taste and understanding, they have brought both house and garden back to their present perfection of ensemble and detail.

## Opposite

The salon has 18 wall panels of 18 th-century Venetian découpage
Walls are a harmony of off-white, pale green, and pale pink. The painted Venetian desk is faced on the other side of the room with a Louis XV mantel. Note ormolu and faience garniture completing inlaid desk, the corner table skirted in cut velvet.

PAVILLON COLOMBE
continned

In the yellow sitting room,
Tiepolos and the portrait of an ancestress

TThe Louis XV chairs are comfortably covered in leather. The desk is a magnificent piece combining ormolu and inlay. Grasset painted the Duchesse de Dino, 19th-century ancestress of the Marquis de Talleyrand. Corner grouping of paintings and drawings includes Tiepolo and other 18th-century artists.


Drawings are hung in groups on the walls of smaller rooms; books are casually arranged in the library


I n the library are more drawings by Tiepolo, Guardi, and their contemporaries. Rug is 17 th-century Spanish.


HI aven for a scholar and art-lover, the library has a warm, lived-in feeling. Ceiling-high bookcases that flank the marble fireplace are in constant use. The fluted boiseries are Louis XVI.


## Focus of interest in the

dining room: a collection of
faience birds in a niche

Set on a stone floor, iron chairs painted green have a fine-drawn elegance. The perfectly plain, polished oval table is Louis XVI. On two marble-topped consoles graceful vitrines hold a collection of faience vegetables. The back of the niche containing the birds is silvered to reflect light. Gold-garlanded pilastersaccent pale terra-cotta walls.


The Marquise's bedroom is a harmony of pale greens and pinks. Painted doors match a Louis XV bedspread also painted in muted pastel colors. Dressing table is black lacquer of the Regency.


The Marquis' bedroom includes a writing desk crowded with graceful bibelots and mementos. Walls and chair show his fondness for the drawings he inherited from the Marquis de Biron.


The orangerie makes a sheltering terrace wing

This charming façade makes use of a typically French arrangement of round, arched, and slightly curved openings. Wistaria and climbing roses reach the mansard.


Unusual topiary frames the main parterre

Planted by the Talleyrands, this rich and unusual pattern was copied from one of their numerous books on old gardens. Low border is hox; pyramids are clipped yew.


A rustic rose arbor effects a change of pace

Icontrast with the topiary, this flowery allée has a romantic charm. It is bordered with a low, clipped box hedge. To one side is blue garden planted by Edith Wharton.


The blue garden was designed by Edith Wharton

Centered on an opulent stone vase filled with sculptured flowers and fruits, its beds are planted with pansies, Nepeta mussini, delphinium, and clipped rose of Sharon.

Pattern, which keys this garden, is used with so much
variation and imagination that it gives
architectural unity but never looks studied


Topiary triumph, a scrolled monogram

TThe Marquise's maiden name, which was Emery, is recalled in this horticultural tour de force. It was designed by her sister, Mrs. Audrey Emery.


Parterre based on a triangular motif

Switch to a geometrical design makes this parterre seem like a whole new world. Planted with fringed pinks, its beds are bordered with sweet alyssum.

Hub of the garden, the fountain

0ae of the few features which date from the original ownership of the house, the "pièce d'eau" is centered on its original 18th-century lead figure.


## $\mathrm{A}_{\text {merican arisist }}$

## design and sign

## new fabrics

"Art needn't be mysterious," says Reeves Lewenthal, head of Associated American Artists-some of whose faces are shown here. "Today's artist is a designer, not an Ivory Tower tenant. His is a field of practical creativity and every American room can become a showcase for his genius." As proof of the pudding, House \& Garden shows you these colorful new Riverdale fabrics called "Pioneer Pathways." Each is a signed original. All are sensibly priced. In their design is the flavor, character, and signature of our native scene, expressed by leading American artists.

1"American Splendor" by Luigi Lucioni, whose realistic Vermont landscapes and portraits have won him acclaim. Fabric colors are green, red on white; brown, gold on natural ground. All "Pathway" fabrics 48 " wide.

2 "Ride of Paul Revere" from an original by the late, great Iowa-born Grant Wood, whose classic "American Gothic" draws thousands to see it at Chicago's Art Institute. Design expresses regional art, has vibrant colors.

3 "Pioneer Pathways" by Anton Refregier, designer and painter who is represented by 27 murals in the San Francisco Post Office and paintings in museums. Fabric is made in turquoise, mustard, parchment red.

4 "Shell Chest" by Witold Gordon, painter, muralist, designer, who sees decorative art in natural forms. Design is in brown, gold, green, blue, or terra cotta.

5 "Country Auction" by Aaron Bohrod, winner of some of America's most coveted major art awards. His imaginative fabric depicts knickknacks, is made in brown, light green, charcoal, olive green, red, blue.

6 "Curio Cabinet" by Doris Lee, prize-winning painter, lithographer, illustrator of national repute. Her fabric is made in brown, white, red, light green, and gray.

## Opposite

Tobacco-store Indian figure, mid-nineteenth century, evokes American folk art theme which inspired fabrics.



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Luigi Lucioni


Grant Wood


Anton Refregier


Witold Gordon


Aaron Bohrod


Doris Lee

## Is your house

## color-conscious?

The imaginative use of color has spread from the inside of the house to the outside today. Fresher, subtler colors are available in literally hundreds of new paints and stains, and the exterior of your house can now be as individual as the interior. The improvement it effects over old-fashioned house painting conventions is demonstrated on the opposite page. Walls do not have to be plain white, or mousy gray, or tepid tan. Shutters and trim need not inevitably be blue or green. Planning exterior color begins, of course, with walls and roof. They are the largest areas of color on your house and must always tie in well with the landscape. In choosing a paint scheme remember that natural stone or brick walls, weathered roof shingles are all part of your over-all color scheme. And don't forget the great importance of details for color contrast. Your doors, window sash and frames, the cornices and eaves of the roof, the chimneys, shutters, window boxes, fences, and gates are all places for sharp or muted color accents. Important, too, are the colors of outdoor furniture, window curtains, the terrace paving and paths, the flowers and planting around the house. All these factors need to be related for a good color scheme. And don't forget that colors of neighboring houses are also influential factors.

The new importance of color on the outside of the house has come about for several reasons. First of all, paint manufacturers have solved the technical problems of making exterior paints that are non-fading and durable. They are offering extensive color palettes in ready-mixed or cus-tom-mixed paints and stains. (Many of them match House \& Garden's own colors.) Second is the general trend, inside and outside the house, to match nature's colors. The popularity of warm, earthy exterior paints and the natural finishes such as redwood, cedar, and cypress on the outside of the house are evidence of this everywhere.


This small modern house on a suburban lot calls for natural wood finishes or white walls accented by sharp colors. See solutions on opposite page.


A Regency house is usually found in the city and its color scheme need not tie in with a natural setting. The colors, opposite, suit its architectural character.


For Colonial houses you can now find hundreds of ready-mixed paint colors and stains. The three schemes on the facing page avoid ubiquitous white.


Painting porch, shutters, benches, and other details in contrast to walls and roof (opposite) adds to the Georgian flavor of this house.

ROOF: white gravel. EAVES: buff paint. CHIMNEY: brick, red paint. WOOD WALLS: redwood stain WIndows: white paint. DOOR: forest green.
terrace: buff concrete.


ROOF: white gravel.
EAVES: white paint.
CHIMNEY: brick, white paint.
wood walls: white paint.
windows: white paint.
window panels: hyacinth blue, citron yellow.
DOor: navy blue.


ROOF: gray gravel.
EAVES: sprout green, underside, pebble.
CHIMNEY: brick, pebble paint.
WOOD WALLS: pebble stain.
windows: white paint.
DOOR: terra cotta.
terrace: willow green concrete.

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ROOF: charcoal gray shingles. CORNICE: black paint. CHIMNEY: cement, sandalwood paint. cement walls: sandalwood paint. SHUTTERS: white.
SASH: black.
FRONT DOORS: dark green paint.


ROOF: dove gray shingles.
CORNICE: black paint.
Chimney: cement, bracken green paint. CEMENT WALLS: bracken green paint. SASH, SHUTTERS: black. FRONT DOORS: mustard.


ROOF: black shingles.
CORNICE: white paint.
chimney: cement, light heather paint. cement walls: light heather paint.
SHUTTERS: dove gray.
SASH: white.
FRONT DOors: black.

roof: Madeira brown shingles. CHIMNEY: brick, citron yellow paint. CLAPBOARD WALLS: citron yellow paint. DORMERS: citron yellow paint. WINDOW SHUTTERS: willow green. WINDOW SASH: citron yellow. FRONT DOOR: copper paint.


ROOF: stone gray shingles.
CHIMNEY: brick, aquamarine paint. CLAPBOARD WALLS: aquamarine paint. DORMERS: aquamarine paint.
WINDOW SHUTTERS: charcoal gray. WIndow sash: white.
garage door, front doors: white.


ROOF: dark gray shingles. CHimNey: brick, red paint. CLAPBOARD walls: dark red paint. DORMERS: dark red paint. shutters and sash: Madeira brown. garage doors: Madeira brown. FRONT DOOR: white.


ROOF: black shingles.
Cornice: white.
CHIMNEY: brick, black paint. brick or shingle walls: pink paint. SHUTTERS AND IRONWORK: warm gray. SASH AND DOORS: white.
BENCHES: sprout green.


ROOF: gray shingles.
CORNICE: white.
CHIMNEY: brick, gray paint
BRICK OR SHINGLE WALLS: chrome yellow paint. SHUTTERS, SASH: white.
IRONWORK AND FRONT DOOR: black.
benches: white.


ROOF: black shingles.
CORNICE: white.
CHIMNEY: brick, gunmetal paint.
brick or shingle walls: gunmetal paint.
SHUTTERS, SASH, GARAGE DOORS,
IRONWORK: white.
FRONT DOOR, BENCHES: pink.

"I eat to live, rather than live to eat . . ."

## The vegetable and I

by Gloria Swanson

To begin with, I'm not giving advice about how to live longer and look younger. My observations about what I eat and drink came through trial and error. The only person whose health needs I know is myself, and through food I have done more for myself than through medicine. Mother Nature is the best doctor on earth, and from eating natural foods I've gained vitality, energy, and resistance to infection.

When I was a child I lived in the tropics (Puerto Rico) and because the available food was poor, I developed a taste for raw fruits and fresh vegetables. My great grandmother was Alsatian, and I remember her vegetable and fruit cellar with baskets of apples and ripe russet pears. Nothing was picked too soon, nothing refrigerated, with its natural juices frozen. The only way to eat fruit for its full nutriment is to eat it quickly from the vine or tree.

We are a synthetic country and we take our energy in bottles and vitamin pills, swallowing little tablets of pseudo health on the side. We like our foods and breads in pretty packages; we like everything we eat to look appealing: fluffy white rice, white, flour-enriched breads. We are a country of candy-bar consumers, of sugary syrups, instead of enjoying candies made of raw molasses, full of energy-building iron. Most of us need more iodine in our systems, yet the salt we put on our food has most of the
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## Opposite

## This General Electric kitchen

 was designed for Miss Swanson in House \& Garden'sDove Gray and Sprout
"Actresses are busier
than housewives . . ."
"If I had to run a race
I'd prime myself
on raw beef . . ."
"No drugstore orange juice for me..."
"Mother Nature
is the best doctor on earth ..."

# ur music festivals come of age 


#### Abstract

From Carmel-by-the-Sea to Aspen and Tanglewood, American music festivals now equal their European counterparts in quality and scope. Their 200-year history includes such spectacular phenomena as a mixed chorus 20,000 strong.

by Frank Merkling


$\mathbf{S}_{\text {purred by our own prosperity and }}$ cultural coming-of-age, and aided by conditions that disorganized Continental festivals and drove many talented Europeans to our shores, America's music festivals now rival Europe's both in number and caliber. At mountain resorts such as Aspen and the Berkshires, at centers of industry such as Bethlehem, Pa., at colleges and conservatories all over the country, we now can enjoy seasons of music that rank with those of Salzburg and Edinburgh, Florence and Bayreuth.

TThere are differences. These American affairs seldom go in as heavily for the other arts. But the European festivals that do are aimed at the varied tastes of an international clientele. Neither, as a rule, are ours devoted to a single musical name whether because of America's cultural mixture or because her Wagners and Mozarts have yet to appear. But like its counterpart in Europe, the American festival usually takes place during the summer in a setting of natural beauty. However, music festivals must be distinguished from the regular summer repertory of the leading orchestras. The purpose of the true festival is not to supple-
ment a winter season but to celebrate an ideal: exceptional music in exceptional surroundings. This ideal has taken time to, evolve; the story of the festival in America contains some embarrassing chapters. Moreover, it cannot be told without a glance at the festivals of Europe. Aspen is the child of Edinburgh. $\mathrm{B}_{\text {ritain has always taken the lead in }}$ organizing large musical gatherings. The oldest festival on record is the Welsh Eisteddfod (pronounced East-edfed), a great national contest of bards dating back at least to the seventh century. In England as early as 1683 , St. Cecilia's Day-November 22-was marked annually with a "Musik Feast." Important British festivals got under way in the 18th and 19th centuries, and most of them are still going strong. These events leaned heavily on choral singing, Britain's forte. Incidentally they were all organized as charity benefits-a festival excuse rare outside the British Isles.

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 merica's first music festivals, inspired by the Handel Commemoration of 1784 , were instigated two years later in Boston and Philadelphia. They were isolatedattempts, however. More important in preparing the ground for later developments were the groups of men and women who gathered by candlelight in lonely schoolhouses to be taught by itinerant singing-masters. In post-Revolutionary days, these "singing-schools" replaced singing by rote with singing by note, and they fostered an appreciation of, and a capacity for, choral programs.

The end of the War of 1812 saw a number of "peace festivals," which resulted in the founding (1815) of America's second oldest musical organization, the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston (older: Harvard's Pierian Sodality of 1808). In 1857 this group started giving oratorio seasons every three years: generally, however, the ending of wars remained the chief festival stimulus. The sensational Peace Jubilees held in Boston in 1869 and 1872 were monster affairs. The second, we are told, was given in an auditorium seating 50,000 , and featured military bands from Europe, a chorus of 20,000 culled from as far west as Omaha, and a 2,000 -piece orchestra which Johann Strauss led in his own waltzes. It left a deficit of $\$ 100,000$.

At Aspen, musicians tune up in Eero Saarinen's amphitheatre

Not to be outdone, New York whipped together a "Great Beethoven Centennial Jubilee" in 1870. Though it lasted a week, this shindig managed to include only three of Beethoven's works; the rest of the time was taken up with arias, duets, trios, quartets, finales, as well as The Star-Spangled Banner and the Anvil Chorus, performed by military band, drum corps, bells, anvils, and "an electric battery of artillery." The fever spread quickly. That same year San Francisco staged a similar celebration inspired by Washington's birthday rather than Beethoven's. Shops were closed, and the city decked itself in flags for the jubilee. Its resources were much the same as New York's, plus a chorus of 2,000 schoolchildren and a ten-year-old violinist who played Beethoven's violin concerto, Home Sweet Home, and Yankee Doodle. This time the anvils were manned by 100 firemen in red shirts.

W e can take consolation in the thought that America was not alone in suffering from musical elephantiasis ("growing pains" might be a better diagnosis). In 1876 Richard Wagner saw, in the inaugural festival (Cont'd on page 141)




# An Oriental garden in New England 

by Lester A. Collins

Chairman of the Department of Landscape Architecture at Harvard University


1 Terrace paved with gray concrete brick set in basket-weave pattern is edged with large slabs of crab orchard stone. Sculptural form is a waterworn rock, shadowed by a white flowering crab.

Occasionally a gardening friend asks me to design an Oriental garden for him. Usually what he has in mind is an outdoor room with an atmosphere of serene tranquillity. The solution is not purple wistaria reflected in naturalistic pools, or Japanese stone lanterns and bridges. Instead, what is needed is to look upon space as an architectural tool; to organize it by choosing plant materials which will give simplicity in a peaceful, uncluttered plan.

Invariably, in designing such a garden, I begin by stealing, humbly, pointers from the Japanese garden, for the Japanese garden builder has long striyen in his art to summarize nature; to acquire space by transcending the natural scale of the area in which his garden is designed. One of the desired results in such a plan is to achieve serenity. This usually means limiting the number and choice of plants to be used. Sometimes I arbitrarily cut the planting list from 30 Latin names to seven.

I want very simple ground covers; grasslike, simple in leaf (Cont'd on page 183)

2 split bamboo irrigation trough above the tiny pool carries a thread of water to the roots of a sweet bay magnolia and patch of herbs at the far end of the wall. Partially screened by foliage, a horizontal sheet of fluted glass (see drawing on page 184) guides a gentle flow of water into pool, its smooth cascade broken by ivy tendrils.



Constant color is an attribute of this New England garden. Throughout the year the color values are approximately the same. The rose quartz hill in the foreground remains pink in summer and in winter. Evergreen plants complement rather than accent the firm structure of the garden's basic form.


3 The terrace is defined by a low-sit. ting wall of terra cotta flue tiles laid end to end on leveled ground.

4 A slim panel of corrugated glass forms textural contrast with concrete brick of the terrace, shields herb plantings from wind and pass-ers-by. A vertical accent, it also marks transition from terrace to the open meadow and woodland beyond.

For more pictures see page 182.


## The intelligent woman's guide to

## Power lawn mowers

You don't have to be mechanically minded in order to operate a power lawn mower. It's no more difficult than running your vacuum cleaner or learning to drive the family car. Just remember to do these two things before you attempt to start the engine of your new mower: (1) read the instruction sheets that accompany the mower; (2) be sure there is oil in both the crankcase and in the air filter. As your power mower service man will tell you, the proper adjustment of the engine and the mechanism which operates the cutting blade are the two most important things about this machine. It can take as little as a sharp blow against a fence, heavy rock, or a large branch to put your mower out of adjustment. Mark such objects well or remove them before you begin to mow, and disengage the reel before you pass over a gravel driveway or walk, heavy tree roots, curbs, and the like.

The two things that you will need to do most frequently to prolong the life of a mower are to oil it and clean it. Although most mowers are delivered already lubricated (except for crankcase and air filter), equip yourself immediately with an oil can and grease gun and use these regularly to keep the moving parts operating smoothly and efficiently. The chart that comes with your mower will show exactly which parts to lubricate and tell you how often to do it. From time to time, it's a good idea to inspect the oil can, gasoline tank, and funnel, to be sure they are free from dust and grime. Improper lubrication may cause your engine to "freeze." A 2-cycle
engine uses oil and gasoline mixed together, but a 4 -cycle engine uses them separately: oil in the base of the engine and gasoline only in the tank.

PProperly cared for, the reel and the bottom blade should not need regrinding for a long time. But because the motor has more push than your muscles, you may be unaware of the gradual dulling of the blades until the grass begins to look as if it had been chewed off. When this occurs, it is wiser to turn the mower over to your service man than to attempt to resharpen it yourself. It is not only a matter of properly grinding the stationary bottom blade, but of adjusting the revolving reel blades at the same time. If you will lightly brush the surface of the stationary blade with a thin film of oil, this will prevent undue friction and help to keep it sharp.

Grass is generally cut to a height of $1^{\prime \prime}$ to $2^{\prime \prime}$, depending upon the kind of lawn you have and the time of the growing season. When you adjust the blades to the desired cutting height, first make sure there is no up-and-down play in the reel. Some mowers have self-adjusting bearings; others require tightening of the bearings, as shown in illustration 5, opposite. Each blade of the reel should make light but positive contact all along the bed knife, or stationary blade. Illustration 4 (page 135) shows an easy way to test, with slips of paper, the scissorslike action between these parts.

It's geod practice to clean your mower after each job. (Cont'd on page 194)


WALTER HORTENS



## 2 Don't spare the oil

Oil the moving parts of your power mower regularly to reduce wear, keep machine operating smoothly, economically. Change oil in crankcase and filter after every $20-25$ hours of operation.

4. Test blade action Cut short pieces of paper the full length of the reel. When you get a clean, scissors-like action from end to end you can be sure adjustment is correct for smooth mowing.

## 1 Tighten all loose bolts

Check your power lawn mower regularly to see if there are any loose bolts on the handle, countershaft, or other fittings. If you keep these properly tightened, your mower won't rattle.


## 3 Keep the mower rust-free

Remove wet grass clippings after each use, and wipe clean with a dry cloth. Then mop the cutting edges with an oily cloth to prevent rust; store the mower in a dry place.


## 5 Adjust cutting height

Place the mower on a firm, level surface and loosen roller brackets. Elevate bed knife on wood block to desired cutting height; tighten brackets securely.

## Menus with a

## South Sea flavor

by Charles Baker

Nothing could be more intriguing to a food author than doing an article on Pacific eatables. For, when you add up the continents, countries, and islands whose shores are washed by this great body of water, you can see why the menu suggestions are practically endless. The Chinese alone gave us the world's first civilized cookery, which some people still consider the best. The Pacific way of life, which spread from the Islands to California to the whole of summertime America, has developed a style of dish which tastes delicious out-of-doors, whether under a blue sky or the close night stars. We have adapted our own version of the Hawaiian luau, or beach barbecue. We have paralleled the night-swim feastings of Tahiti. One interesting contradiction you'll find is that some of the finest cookery in Pacific-bordered lands came originally from other places. A half-Chinese chef, who had wandered from Manila to Monterey, gave me the recipe for the eggdrop soup in Menu 4. A canny Middle East gentleman named George Mardikian migrated to San Francisco, there to devise the famous version of shish-kebab in Menu 3 which he serves in his Omar Khayyam restaurant. A gifted young Castilian, now at the Union Club in Panama, turns out the succulent chicken cazuela of Menu I. I have carefully chosen these Pacifica dishes for you to weave into your own (Continued on page 173)


Table accessories of unusual shapes and textures

The roll of meticulously bound bamboo, left, is actually a place mat. The artichoke platter recalls a canoe, is made of marbleized china. The handsome serving bowl is black Plexiglas. Tossed salads, as well as fruit, look appetizing in the green glass bowl framed in wrought iron. The Pacifica pineapple is also wrought iron, in two parts.

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An enormous, hand-hewn wood bowl for parties

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Windowed gallery gives privacy to the sleeping wing, faces on the terrace, affords a view of lawn and ocean. At the left, a series of louvered doors provide circulation of air through all bedrooms. Beige wood tones of floor and ceiling give the gallery a cool, outdoor feeling. At the far end, a small chest, Japanese lantern.


Left
Powder room has grass-cloth walls streaked with silver. Wood dressing table is built in and has storage underneath. On the mirrored wall is a Japanese fretted wood panel. The two stools are covered in coral-colored silk.

## Below

Guest room has its own private garden, accessible through the paneled window-doors. Curtains and headboard of bed are of floral chintz in mauve and pink bouquets on white. Chair is covered in purple tweed. Above bed, a Japanese fretted panel.


## Platform house at tree level

Perched on a hillside, nestled into the trees, this house opens its rooms to the sun and the view
by means of an outdoor deck, an extensive use of glass


Clean, crisp lines of the house contrast with its leafy surroundings. In summer, doors open all the way back. In winter, the living room can be partially heated by the sun. House was designed for Mr. John G. Dempsey by Worley K. Wong, architect, and John Carden Campbell.

A T-shaped plan incorporates maxi-


Like a tree house, this sundeck stretches out to form a platform in the air. Enclosing railing has built-in seats running around two sides.


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at Bayreuth, the realization of a life long dream to stage his mammoth music dramas on a scale in keeping with their scope. And, happily, not all American festivals were as tumid as those that followed the Civil War. Affairs less sensational and destined to be more lasting were quietly beginning to make their appearance.

The annual fall festivals of Worcester, Massachusetts, oldest in the country, began in 1858 and Cincinnati's May Festival in 1873. The Worcester event clearly shows the two influences noted above-the British choral festival and the singing school of Revolutionary times. Even today the emphasis is on choral singing, and in its early years it culminated in a formal presentation of the music that the impromptu chorus had spent the preceding days learning to read and sing. Worcester gave its first complete oratorio in 1866 under Carl Zerrahn, long associated with these festivals; the accompaniment consisted of a quintet and a double-bass! Though no longer laboring under such difficulties, the Worcester Festival has kept to its rigorous schedule. The members of the chorus rehearse from January through May and again from Labor Day until October. They pay annual dues; their sole reward is to sing.

Some of the festivals that got started about this time were accidents of chance. The University of Michigan's May Festival, for instance, was conceived in haste late in 1893 to fill in for the Boston Symphony, which had been invited to visit Ann Arbor the following May but for some reason suddenly found the tour impractical. To the surprise of its instigators, the substitute festival drew a nation-wide audience, most of whom had not bothered to wire ahead for reservations. Little Ann Arbor was inundated, not only with music-lovers but by one of the heaviest rainstorms it had ever experienced. People sat in the aisles and stood in corridors to hear the music, later waiting for hours in the rain for their special trains, which failed to arrive on time. Despite this damp début, the May Festival caught on and has been a success ever since.

The most interesting newcomer bowed in at the turn of the century: the Bach Choir of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a community founded by Moravians in 1741 as a religious settlement. The Moravians recognized a dual function of music-to uplift and to enter tain-and consequently the people of Bethlehem have always loved and excelled at singing. Although the population today is only 5\% Moravian, the town's musical tradition persists in the high quality of the Bach programs given there on a long May week end.

World War I put an end to all festivals for a time. The next two decades, however, saw the European festival at its zenith in England, Italy, and Austria. First and foremost was the Salzburg Festival (1920), brilliant brain-child of Max Reinhardt, Hugo von Hofmannsthal, and Richard Strauss, which started with equal emphasis on drama and opera but came
to be known chiefly for music under conductors like Toscanini and Bruno Walter. In 1922 the International Society for Contemporary Music began holding festivals annually in different cities. The one held in 1925, in Venice, gave rise to a permanent Venetian festival. Florence followed suit by instituting, in 1933, its Maggio Musicale ("Musical May"), whose special glory is the performance of new or neglected opera in the lovely Boboli Gardens behind the Pitti Palace. The following year Mr. John Christie threw open his estate at Glyndebourne, in the rolling Sussex hills, for first-rate presentations of opera, especially Mozart; a special train service made Glyndebourne accessible to the London public.

The progress made in America between wars, though sparked by these developments across the Atlantic, took the form not so much of a mushrooming of festivals as of a vast improvement in quality over the circuses of the '70's. The latter had been outcroppings of energy rather than signs of an informed taste, or lack of any; America had not had time to be cultivated. Besides, the big festivals were big financial flops. It was a long time before the nation's entrepreneurs, still drawing on European talent and example, felt financially and culturally secure enough to launch important new events.

San Francisco, for instance, which in 1870 and 1878 had gone wild over anvils and artillery, waited 45 years for a third big festival. The wait was worth it. In 1924 the city could take, and like, programs that included Liszt's Faust symphony, Mahler's two-hour Resurrection symphony, and Beethoven's Ninth, any one of which even now is a major undertaking. In New York Walter Damrosch organized and conducted, in 1920, a five-day festival still remembered for its roster of stars, including Tetrazzini, Hempel, Rachmaninoff, Heifetz, and Casals. The schools, too, began to catch the festival spirit. During these years events were organized, usually in May, by the Eastman School of Music, the Chautauqua Institution, and Oberlin Conservatory.

Generous and resourceful women were responsible for two of the most significant new gatherings. Between 1918 and 1924 Mrs. Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge, the great benefactress of chamber music in America, presented on her son's estate in Pittsfield, Massa chusetts, seven September festivals devoted to that specialized art. They were transferred in 1925 to the auditorium given by Mrs. Coolidge to the Library of Congress, in Washington. In 1931 Mrs. John P. Buchanan, of Marion, Virginia, organized an annual folk festival on nearby White Top Mountain-a region whose inhabitants preserve in its purest form the music of the original English and Scotch-Irish settlers from whom they descended.

Events of this independence and seriousness of purpose would have been unthinkable a few decades earlier. Along with the school festivals, they showed a reassuring tendency to break away from the big industrial centers,
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with their Old-World leadership in the arts, and return to the roots of all culture. They tended also toward more clearly defined objectives than their predecessors; increasingly the music festival had a "point," a personality of its own. Best of all, these American festivals of the ' 20 's and ' 30 's were recurring events rather than all-out splurges-an indication that the festival was coming to be a successful financial proposition. All that it ceded to Europe was scope and glamour.

The end put to the European gatherings by World War II was only temporary. All the major festivals are being held once more, and promising new beginnings have been made at Frankfort, at Aix-en-Provence, and particularly at the Casals Prades Festival, which was repeated last year at Perpignan. Britain's comeback is the most heartening of all. She has not only reinstated every one of her old festivals but created three fine new ones: Cheltenham (modern English music), Aldeburgh (opera), and above all, Edinburgh. Begun in 1947, Edinburgh's late-summer feast of opera, concert, ballet, drama, and films has become the festival of today. Its quality and variety and the splendor of its setting are a challenge to the world.

But that challenge is being answered, on this side of the Atlantic, by two of America's youngest and brightest festivals. The first is Tanglewood. On an August week end in 1934, Henry Hadley, distinguished American composer and one-time conductor of orchestras in Seattle, San Francisco, and Tokyo, gave a "Berkshire Festival" at Stockbridge, Massachusetts, with a group of players from the New York Philharmonic-Symphony. It was repeated in 1935, and the audience grew from 5,000 to 8,000 . In 1936, Hadley having fallen ill, the late Serge Koussevitzky laid plans to turn Tanglewood into a sort of combined resort, school, and summer stand for the Boston Symphony. The 1937 premiere of the reorganized Berkshire Festival underwent much the same baptism of water that had been visited on the Ann Arbor event half a century earlier. Held under a tent, the concerts were all but rained out; but the next year Eliel Saarinen's handsome music shed was built. In 1940 the Berkshire Music Center opened, giving courses in theory and technique. The festival lengthened to three weeks and the audience grew to 10,000 per concert. Tanglewood is now America's No. 1 music festival. On week ends in July and August it presents, in a setting of surpassing loveliness, operas, recitals, and concerts by one of the world's best orchestras.

The latest major U. S. festival, and the most precocious, is that of Tanglewood's western rival, from the dual standpoint of music and magnificent scenery: Aspen, Colorado. Nestling in the Rockies 100 miles southwest of Denver, Aspen was once, during the "silver rush" of the ' 60 's and ' 70 's, Colorado's second largest city. Its rebirth is due largely to the benevolent determination of one man-Walter Paepcke, culture-minded head of the

Container Corporation of America and a Chicago patron of the arts-to make a year-round playground and art center out of Aspen. In 1949 it threw open freshly-painted doors as host to the world for the Goethe Bicentennial Convocation, which boasted as its chief ornament one of the greatest of living men, the doctor-philosopher-theologianmusician Albert Schweitzer, Like Tanglewood, the Aspen Institute has a music school, staffed by top-notch composers and performers. Concerts and forums are presented during an eightweek season, on a different theme each year, in an amphitheater designed by Eero Saarinen, Eliel's son.

Tanglewood and Aspen culminate America's 200-year climb toward the goal of regular music festivals that combine a healthful climate for recreation and creation with exacting standards of repertoire and performance. But these stellar events do not tell the whole story. There is not space to do justice to many other festivals whose level of excellence is often out of keeping with their modest scale. Since 1933, Baldwin-Wallace College, at Berea, Ohio, has had a Bach Festival, one feature of which is a Brass Choir that plays chorales from a tower before each concert, after the manner of religious festivals in Bach's own day. Also honoring Bach annually is Carmel-by-theSea, the lovely California town, which for 15 years has been giving noteworthy readings of works of the magnitude of the Magnificat and the B-Minor Mass. Picturesque Ojai, north of Los Angeles, offers an annual week-long festival of concerts and lectures by such prominent figures as Bruno Walter and Alfred Frankenstein. On the other side of the country, the Brevard Music Festival, in August, climaxes the activities of the Transylvania Music Camp, a non-profit "educational corporation" 2,400 feet up in the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina. Last year Charlottesville, home of the University of Virginia, put on a threeday Mozart Festival that showed signs of becoming, in time, a miniature edition of Glyndebourne. No doubt 1952 will see beginnings equally promising. America can be proud of her festivals.

Problems remain, however. One arises from the very feature that is outstanding about the U. S. festival: that it so often offers excellent facilities for the advanced student. Sometimes a semi-amateur quality creeps into per-formances-a quality not in accord with first-rate soloists or with the expense frequently involved in getting to, and staying near, a festival. Another criticism is that often the residents of the community are prevented, by heavyweight programs and high prices, from taking any real part in the festival advertised as theirs but, in reality, an import. The very principle of festivals has been attacked on the ground that they exhaust the community, at the expense of its normal activity.

As against all this, a festival is a stimulus and a source of wholesome pride, a link to the past, a vehicle for enlightenment-and, of course, a com-
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mercial magnet. As a spur to the composition of special works, it helps bridge the deplorable present-day gap between composer and public. At its best, in smaller and more homogeneous communities, the festival is a force for unity and achievement arising out of the place itself and its outstanding creative personalities.

At least music festivals are no longer condemned, as they once appear to have been, as "exhibitions intended to gratify the senses." In 1834, up in arms over a proposal to hold a festival in Westminster Abbey (scene of the Handel Commemorations a half-century before), the London press huffed:
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The world hears them more than ever today, at a hundred seasonal gatherings, but they are no longer sources of shame. The "revelling" and the "dissipation" seem to have gone by the board-unless, like the Music of the Spheres, they are with us all the time!

## Winterthur Museum

Following House \& Garden's presentation of the Winterthur Collection in our February issue, the Museum has received an avalanche of requests for tickets of admission far in excess of expectation. As a result we are asked to explain to our readers that tours of the Museum have already been filled and booked through most of 1952. While you may not le able to see Winterthur as soon as you hoped, your
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Landscape architect Richard Tongg skillfully extended all main rooms outdoors. There is a large paved garden court on one side of the living room, the master bedroom opens on a secluded private garden, the living and dining rooms adjoin a terrace (see picture below).


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The terrace is raised above the slope, opens into the living room
Roof overhang gives the terrace partial shade. Glass walls at the right slide so the terrace can become a part of living room. The sweep of the roof is Japan-inspired.

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The living room is arranged for conversation groups, easy entertaining. Sliding door panels, painted with birds, are antique Japanese doors. Large pieces are upholstered in rough-textured fabric.


In the lath house, Mrs. Ward inspects her collection of miniature pink and white orchids. This outdoor room has a lath roof, shelves for potting soils, storage for garden tools, supplies.


T'ang Dynasty camel dominates a corner of the dining room. Dining table and chairs are of specially designed magnolia wood. The window ledge opens out on hinges to become a buffet table for parties.

## OUT OF THE PACIFIC

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attention of Jack London, Somerset Maugham, James Michener, Nordhoff and Hall, to the South Seas was the trade wind. Without distinction, it sweetens the bones of missionary and beachcomber, globetrotter and scientist, writer and painter. The painter is the lucky man. He has no need to spin yarns. He can approach directly a subject that arouses a direct emotion. The late Robert Flaherty managed much of that in the film he shot in Samoa, although Samoans are perhaps the least tranquil of all Polynesians.

Modern Polynesians' dwellings occasionally contain clocks, but few of them tick. These mechanical devices for cutting time into sharp pieces all alike to the ear have nothing in common with the trade wind's continuous flow. The sounds that go with it are an irregular soothing rattle in coconut fronds overhead and the merest suggestions as of wind in a ship's rigging. In more remote places, the Islander still prefers to pace his activities to the sun and stars, which need no winding up. The timelessness that Rupert Brooke was so ready to put into his verses about Polynesia, the intense immobility of the Tahitian women that Gauguin painted are all of a piece with the connotations of a world where the air is never still but almost never blusters.

When, 60 years ago, the wandering Stevensons sat down for a while in the far end of Tahiti, they were de lighted with the local village's old style birdcage houses, open as a latticed porch. When they rented quarters on Waikiki Beach, they were struck to find their main dwelling was all verandasthe blessedly ever-present Hawaiian lanai-with practically no house at all within. When they settled for months on Apemama, an atoll in the Gilberts, they were amused to see how the king's retainers quickly made them a dwelling in a chosen spot simply by picking up and walking off with wickerwork structures already standing elsewhere. By then, of course, they were well acquainted with the South Sea's axiomatic airiness.

My own house in the States is full of tapa, the South Seas bark cloth like heavy parchment paper, painted or stamped in various blacks or browns according to designs traditional in this or that Island group. No two styles are alike. Some pieces are unblushingly made for the souvenir trade, some are gifts from Island dignitaries, so their quality varies widely. All would look best in a many-pillared Samoan fale with leaf-woven blinds. But their present situation in thick-walled rooms with forced-draft air replacing the (Continued on page 151)
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TThe European garden may be an essay in logic and design, or in landscape improvement and control, or it may be an exercise in horticulture. The Siamese monastery garden is a very different thing. For the Buddhist stands in a different relation to nature-he is closer to it, and less willing to disturb nature's arrangements. He knows that every animal, as well as every demon and every angel, has once been a human being like himself, and is now being temporarily punished or rewarded for actions in some past life. The chain of transmigration goes on endlessly, and the creature who is an animal today may be promoted for good actions to be reborn as a prince in some future life, while today's angel, careless of the future, may be reborn as a beggar's child. And old-fashioned Buddhists, believing that a protecting angel lives in all large trees, are aware that it is not only unkind but also rather risky to cut them down.

The garden of a Buddhist monastery, though it is beautiful, is not designed primarily to please the eye. Surrounded by a white stucco wall discolored by age and lichens, such a garden is a welcome intrusion of nature into the spaces between the monastery buildings, a happy blending of tree and shrub with flagstoned courtyard and fantastic archi ecture. The growth merges harmoniously with the whitewashed walls, the brilliantly-colored tile roofs, and the gilded spires. It is a shady refuge from the fierce heat of the sun and the cares of daily life. It is a receptacle of cool breezes and a place of meditation.

Buddhism, which arose in India some 2,500 years ago, is not a religion in the Western sense at all. It teaches that belief in God is optional and unimportant, and that the whole aim of man should be the eradication of human misery. The way to accomplish this is "To take joy in the joys of others and sorrow in the sorrows of others, and to be entirely indifferent to one's own joys and sorrows." In order to attain this frame of mind, a life of great simplicity and prolonged meditation, such as the monks lead, is helpful. Meditation, in this sense, is an exercise of mental concentration like some forms of Yoga. The monk is advised to seat himself cross-legged in a comfortable position, with his body erect, in some quiet place away from distracting sights and sounds. Having controlled his breathing in a certain way, he "gathers up" his mind and concentrates his gaze on a leaf or a shaft of light, until he goes into a kind of trance which enables him to see spiritual truths that would otherwise be elusive to his mind.

In a great city like Bangkok, with its noisy traffic and modern worldliness, this sort of concentration would be difficult were it not for the quiet gardens provided in the monasteries. Even in the smaller towns, every monastery has its garden, which may be no more than a courtyard of smooth earth swept clean and shaded with great trees.

The Buddhist scriptures tell us there are eight objections to living in a house: it is a lot of trouble to build;
it must be kept in repair; some nobleman might seize it; too many people may want to live in it; it makes the body tender; it provides concealment for committing evil deeds; it causes pride of ownership; and it harbors lice and bugs. There are ten advantages, on the other hand, in residing under a tree: it can be found with ease; it can be found in any locality; the sight of falling leaves is a reminder of the impermanence of life; a tree arouses no covetous thoughts; it affords no opportunity for evil deeds; it is not received from any person; it is inhabited by good angels; it needs no fence; it promotes health; it does not involve worldly attachments.

There are some monks who still follow this advice; but the great ma-jority-having assumed the duty of giving instruction to large numbers of people-live in monasteries. There are almost 20,000 monasteries in Siam, ranging from the small and simple buildings on a mountainside or in a remote village to the splendid royal establishments in Bangkok. But even in the most splendid of them the monks live austere and simple lives, having no possessions except their yellow robe of coarse cotton, a few personal necessities, and the begging bowl which they carry forth each morning to receive donations of food from the pious.

The indispensable element of every monastery garden is a bo tree. This tree grows as large and spreading as an oak and has aspen-like leaves that quiver delicately with whispered music in every breeze. It was under such a tree that, long ago in India, the Buddha attained "Enlightenment"-the comprehension of the doctrine that would free all men from suffering and dispel their fears. That very tree was long remembered and revered by pilgrims. Cuttings were taken from it and planted in Buddhist monasteries in many lands; and most of the bo trees in Siam can trace their genealogy to the original one in India.

In a monastery in South Siam I once saw an architectural feature of unique beauty. A narrow interior stairway led to an upper story, where I
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## MONASTERY

emerged upon a small courtyard raised some fifteen feet from the ground and surrounded by a wall high enough to block out the vision of anything except the sky and the gilded spires of the neighboring reliquary towers. In this elevated courtyard there was no ornament or flower-nothing except four ancient bo trees. The sight of such giants growing from this unexpected elevation assured me that it was the work of monks who had long ago designed a beautiful refuge that they knew they would not live to see mature.

Everywhere in monastery gardens the frangipani diffuses its perfume reminiscent of orange-blossoms. This shrub, with its dark glossy leaves like rhododendron and its white blossoms with a golden center, has a strange wistfulness which has earned it the Siamese name "tree of sadness." The hedges are bright with scarlet hibiscus, and the white oleander grows beside the gateways.

Pink clusters of Honolulu creeper drop from the eaves, purple bougainvillea tops the walls, and orchids grow in rustic boxes hanging on the treebranches and balustrades. Grass is nott wanted, and if there is no paving the earth is kept bare and clean-swept. There may be beds filled with marigolds or zinnias or roses-but there is more dependence on the mottled caladium and the flowering shrubs that harmonize so well with the architecture and sculpture. The Siamese, like the Chinese, are fond of trees that have been bent and clipped into fantastic shapes. These stand in great blue and white porcelain jars among the bronze figures of mythological birds on the porches, or else in sculptured stone recesses in the surrounding balustrades.

The plan of a monastery garden varies greatly. Sometimes it seems to be quite haphazard, as though it were merely the result of a gentle restraint placed upon the lush tropical growth that springs up naturally in the spaces left over between the buildings. But usually the principal reliquary tower stands in the middle of a square or
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round courtyard, stone gates lead to little high-walled gardens 10 or 12 feet square, each containing a single tree and a trickling fountain, as if designed to invite private meditation. Occasionally the reliquary tower itself may be a huge artificial mountain, studded with miniature towers and shrines, and invaded with a tangle of greenery.

Nearly every monastery contains a stone or stucco belfry with a big bronze bell. Sometimes there are gateways and pavilions in the Chinese manner, and stone tables bearing figurines of village life. The walls of the pavilions may be pierced with moon windows, to provide a well-framed view of stone animals beyond, and to set these windows off, there are fantastic shapes from nature, such as gnarled tree roots or monstrous rocks. Fierce-looking guardian figures in stone-mythical animals or demons, or else caricatures of foreign soldiers-stand by the gateways to keep out evil thought.

In some courtyards there are ponds, framed in an elaborately-shaped coping; and there may be tame crocodiles that lazily push their snouts up through the tangle of waterlilies to receive bits of food thrown by childreneven these unattractive creatures must be kindly treated, for they may be the re-incarnation of some worthless but beloved acquaintance. Near the courtyard there flows a stream or a small canal, whose waters rest the eye and make the body forget the heat of the sun. From these waters at a certain season there springs a riot of pink lotus-flowers: the symbol of the true purity that is uncontaminated by the mud from which they grow.

The carefully-tended gardens of the great monasteries provide one kind of beauty, with their statements in architecture and sculpture, and their responses in trees and flowers. But the neglected growth framing the paneled teak buildings of humble monasteries in the country provides another sort. Perhaps the second sort is closer to the vision of the old meditative monk who long ago described the ten advantages of living under a tree.

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trade wind has not leeched away their character. I find-as so many people in Hawaii have found-that those great bold expanses of almost pure design go best with Chinese and Japanese things. I am not artist enough to know why, only the fact is there. Perhaps, in its population, predominantly of Oriental descent, and in its close connection with China through the sandalwood trade, Hawaii has had special
opportunity to sense this relationship. Some Islanders have always built themselves dark, close-thatched sheds to sleep in. Most modern Islanders prefer a board shack to any dwelling built according to the old ways. But these contrarinesses have not altered the blessedness of the trade wind. It is still a thing to live with if luck brings you the opportunity-a good wind that blows nobody ill.

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The plan provides for easy upkeep, entertaining, privacy Kitchen, service rooms face the circular drive. Bedrooms, living and dining rooms look out to the hills, open easily onto the patio, which is enclosed by the garden walls. The roof extends over the drive creating a porte-cochere which gives guests sheltered access to house.

The patio is planted to simulate a small grove The garden room is floored with cut coral stone. Strawberry guava trees are grouped in irregular plantings as they would be in a natural grove. Glass doors open into the living room, relate it to the out-of-doors.

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# Biography of an idea: Pacifica 

PAcIFICA, the new mood in decorating, has been in the making for many years. The work of architects, decorators, and designers whose interest and experience spans the Pacific Ocean has appeared in House \& Garden and Vocue since 1942. Here is a short review of the personalities and ideas which have contributed to the new Pacifica trend. Architect Frank Lloyd Wright, who designed the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo in 1916, and other outstanding work, was one of the first to bring Oriental motifs and planning to our shores. Harwell Harris introduced an Oriental influence to houses, using sliding walls, natural wood siding, and wood joinery as a frank part of his designs. Antonin Raymond, who lived and worked in Japan for many years, also brought us the clarity and simplicity of the Far East.

Isamu Noguchi, whose finely detailed American furniture has Oriental ancestors, applied the patient, painstaking techniques of Eastern craftsmanship to both houses and furniture. Burton A. Schutt made room dividers which resembled Japanese paper-paned panels, adapted the Hawaiian moon gate, and swept the lines of a hip roof outward like a pagoda. In Portland, Oregon, John Yeon and Pietro Belluschi both developed informal styles of architecture and used natural textured materials. Outside Honolulu, Walter Lamb designed his own beach house with a wall open to the sea, and created furnishings which were inspired by tropical colors and shapes. Thomas D. Church, who approaches landscape design like an architect, began to use the rocks and trees of nature much as the Japanese do, and created wandering paths, vistas, and a tranquil air.

In designing interiors, decorators also added the flavor of the Far East. Frances Elkins knowingly mixed low Chinese tables with eighteenth-century chairs and projected color schemes from Chinese ancestor portraits. William Haines, who has had a background in Chinese art and travel, was a pioneer in the use of natural reeds, bleached cork, and Chinese figures. His office-and-design room at Beverly Hills was an early example of his taste. In Honolulu, Florence Bates Hayward combined openwork Chinese carvings, a gold-leaf Japanese screen, natural teak walls and floors in her own house. The colors she selected forecast Pacifica: natural, off-white, emerald, black.

Glimmerings of Pacifica have appeared throughout the field of homefurnishings design. In 1947, Paul Frankl's custom-designed furniture reflected the influence of Chinese and Japanese art, and he went on to create
tables with fret motifs and the lines of a k'ang. T. H. Robsjohn-Gibbings, who said good-by to Mr. Chippendale in 1944, was one of the first to combine the designs of Oceania with contemporary furniture and architecture. For accessories he used poi bowls from Tahiti and Hawaii, masks and spears from the Marquesas Islands. Hollis S. Baker's subtle, trim furniture modeled on antiques of the Far East helped to introduce the Chinese idiom to Ho: se \& Garden readers in April, 1949. This issue set a new trend for both readers and the homefurnishings field.

Dorothy Liebes, who designed a Pacifica exhibit at the San Francisco Golden Gate Exposition of 1939, drew color and texture ideas from Hawaii and other Pacific areas. Her imaginative hand-loomed fabrics interweave such materials as metal threads, patterned ribbon, leather, cork, chenille, reeds. In the field of accessories, Dickman Walker, notable for a sensitive use of clay and glaze, and Jade Snow Wong, creator of handsome enameled copperware and stoneware pottery, have been cited time and again for their designs.

In California, Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Gump, who have an outstanding collection of Chinese antiques, sponsored a movement to encourage good design. In New York, at the Museum of Modern Art, René d'Harnoncourt, in collaboration with Professor Ralph Linton and Paul S. Wingert of the faculty of Columbia University, organized a compelling exhibition of Oceanic art in 1946.

Today, Pacifica reaps the benefits of all this early work. The contributions of these and many other architects, decorators, and designers have made it possible for House \& Garden to crystallize the Pacifica trend.

## Glossary of Pacifica terms

The following words help to identify Pacifica as a style, much as the wing chair and tilt-top table recall 18thcentury design. The lanai originated in Hawaii as a porch under the roof of a house, open on two sides. The Japanese tea house was an open shed set frequently in a garden, at which tea was served to travelers. The hikie, derived from a massive Hawaiian bed,
began as a structure of mats extending the length of a room, and later was placed on a slightly raised platform called a kahua. The k'ang was a Chinese bed of planks laid on trestles and covered with a woven mat. In cold, northern China, it was a broad, low platform of bricks, hollow inside and heated. Tables and small cupboards could be placed on it.

## HAWAII

 continued from page 113by Frances Elkins, who has made effective use of the fabrics and woven blinds of her fellow-Californian, Dorothy Liebes) ; in the serene, white Moana; and in the glittery, new Surf Rider (designed by Gardner Dailey of San Francisco and Wimberly and Cook of Honolulu). The Islanders do almost all of their entertaining at home, and a visitor who is lucky enough to meet some of them will probably come away with the impression that they entertain continuously. The party settings are apt to be outdoors, illuminated at night by flares or lanterns.

INTER-ISLAND HOPPING has become increasingly popular in recent years, thanks to the frequent air-taxi service, and Waikiki today shares the limelight with attractions on Maui, Kauai, Molokai, and Hawaii, the largest in the archipelago. On Maui, they include: Haleakala Crater, the world's largest dormant volcano, best seen at sunrise or sunset; Iao Valley, a heavily foliaged gorge out of which rises for 1,200 feet
a volcanic freak known as the Needle; the Hotel Hana-Maui, replete with ancient lore and modern conveniences. On Kauai: Waimea Canyon, the local version of Arizona's Grand Canyon, and not to be sneezed at; the Spouting Horn of Koloa, a geyser-like phenomenon caused by the action of the waves in cavernous coastal rocks; the Wet and Dry Caves of Haena; the majestic Hanalei Valley. On Hawaii: the Hawaiian National Park, including a green eerie tree fern forest; the Parker Ranch, the second largest cattle ranch under the American flag. On Oahu, besides Waikiki and Diamond Head: Nuuanu Pali (cliff) at the head of Nuuanu Valley, where Kamehameha the Great defeated the Oahuans in 1895, forcing thousands of defeated warriors over the precipice. In Honolulu the notable restaurants range from The Broiler, where you eat steak under a thatched roof, through which the smoke from the fires billows, illuminated, into the sky to the Ischi Garden, where you remove your shoes because it is Japanese.

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## Schumann, Brahms and Fauré

CYhopin's contemporary, Robert Schumann, once fancied himself in love with a young woman whose birthplace was Asch, and he composed a loose set of variations for piano, based on the letters that form the name of the town (in German musical notation As is A-flat, Es (or S) is E-flat, H is B natural). He called it Carnaval, and when Franz Liszt first heard it he roared, "It is one of the greatest works I know!" We cannot agree with Liszt's verdict, but it is certainly a work of enchanting lyricism, grace, and humor, particularly as played by Gyorgy Sandor on a Columbia LP record (ML-4452). Mr. Sandor has also recorded Schumann's Papillons, The Prophet Bird, and Toccata in C Major (Columbia LP record ML-4375) along with five intermezzi by Brahms, realizing the particular graces of each composer ... Gabriel Fauré has been called by some a French Schumann, by others a French Chopin, but his breed of romanticism is ultimately his own. Robert and Gaby Casadesus make the most of it in Dolly, his piano suite for four hands (Columbia LP record ML-2205).

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# Roots of Pacifica designs 

Here is a survey of authentic South Sea arts

edited by Ernest S. Dodge,

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At one time or another, nearly everyone longs to be on a faraway island. Today, you can capture some of the enchantment without leaving your front doorstep. Modern designers have tapped the simple and inventive arts of the South Seas and adapted the motifs to furnishings for your home. Their inspiration was the angular, geometric design of eastern Pacific and Polynesia, and the spirals and S-curves which distinguish the art of New Zealand, New Guinea, and other parts of the western Pacific. The art of the islands is all the more fabulous when you consider how little the natives had to work with. For the most part, they knew nothing about looms, metals, or pottery. They turned tree bark into fabrics, grass into thatching for their huts, stone into tools and weapons. They plucked the feathers of brilliant birds to make cloaks and decorate their weapons. On some islands of the Pacific, even the simplest materials were hard to come by.

The styles vary with each group of islands which seem almost as far-flung and numerous as stars in the sky. Originally guided by these stars, the people of Asia first nosed their open canoes eastward and traveled thousands of miles, settling north of Australia in Melanesia, then further north and east in Micronesia. From Micronesia, the boldest went on to the easternmost islands called Polynesia. Islands on which plants flourished inspired strong color contrasts. Natives isolated in dense jungle tended toward static and traditional forms; enterprising coastal fishermen developed bold designs. Wherever they settled, whether it was a humid tangle of forest, a coral reef, or a land of lava and ash, the islanders manufactured and decorated objects for everyday use as well as for ceremonial occasions and war. It is only today that we are beginning to appreciate and adapt them.

The best source of inspiration for Pacifica designs is the tapa, or barkcloth. Each group of islands manufactured and decorated a different kind of tapa, but the most pleasing ones come from Hawaii and Tahiti. Tapas were made from young trees, usually of the paper mulberry variety. After soaking green shoots until they were soft, the outer bark was peeled off and the inner

strip laid on a wooden anvil and beaten with a tool which had a pattern incised on it. Separate pieces of cloth were then beaten together into one piece. On Easter Island, where there was a dearth of trees, bark-cloth had to be made of very small pieces quilted together. Finished tapas were the texture of tough paper and varied in thickness.

In Hawaii, the tapas were decorated with stamps cut from bamboo, usually one inch square, and dipped in paint. Mottled effects were achieved by shredding dark colored tapas and beating the fragments into a new lightcolored tapa. In Western Polynesia, Samoa, Tonga, and Fiji, the cloth was spread over a surface which had a raised design, rubbed with red earth root to transfer the design to the cloth, then touched up with dark reddish brown paint. At first, the rubbing plates were made by women from pandanus leaves and coconut midribs. Later, these fragile plates were re placed by models carved in a more angular style by the men. East of Samoa, tapas were decorated by freehand painting. In the Society Islands, the tapa was stamped with flowers or fern leaves dipped in dye. Finished tapas were sometimes oiled to resist water and often perfumed. They were useful (Continued on page 163)


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Austral Islands tapa


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Tahitian woven fan
as clothing, sheets, blankets, or table covers. Hawaiian blankets were several bark-cloths sewn together on one side so that layers could be turned back on warm nights.

In addition to preparing and decorating tapas, the women of the islands plaited grass and leaves into mats, wove baskets out of roots, and knotted roots or bark fibers into nets. Today's designers have translated their motifs into fresh textured patterns. Since there were no looms in the islands, dexterous finger-weaving produced the enormous baskets which displayed palm fruits and fish, the nettings and baskets which supported gourds, the fans which were carried as signs of rank.

The thatched huts, as familiar to most of us as the palm tree, have also suggested a variety of interlocking designs for fabrics and three-dimensional effects for wallpapers, carpets, and table mats. The original huts were no more than one-room houses built on a simple framework of timber poles, covered with grass or thatch from plants in the region, and sometimes lined with reeds and tree-fern stems. To accommodate new members in a family, the natives simply built more huts rather than larger ones. It is interesting to note that most of the efforts of a community went into constructing assembly houses, men's club houses, or houses in which ancestors and deities were worshipped collectively. These were elaborations of the usual humble family dwellings.

The skillful carvings by the men in the South Seas have given a new dimension to modern design. These men had a faculty for visualizing the design as a whole; thus they were able to scale patterns exceptionally well to any surface, whether it was wood to
be carved, rafters to be painted, or bedies to be tattooed. The lines, contours, and colors are surprisingly elegant. They attacked their work with fervour because each symbol was part of a language which helped to identify their world with the great invisible world of ancestors and cosmic deities.

The arts practiced by men were bound to their occupations which were fishing, agriculture, and war. With reverence, the fishermen carved the prows of their canoes in majestic curvilinear designs. They even utilized the small flat surfaces of paddles for unusual geometric motifs. Firm believers in luck, signs, and omens, they aloo put a good deal of effort into carving floaters and sinkers, fish spears and hooks, particularly on islands where fish was the principal food. Other examples of carving are the neek rests which were supposed to induce revelations during sleep, boxes for sacred feathers, the shields and clubs they carried into battle. Carved figures represented ancestors who governed their living world. These were placed near the burial grounds or posted in front of the houses as protection.

The most important tool was the adz, a primitive type of ax used to prepare timber for huts and canoes and to make wooden implements for household use and wathering food. Adz handles from the Cook Islands display a uniform series of simple geometric designs which have been ingeniously adapted today to fabrics and wallpapers. The basic design was a juxtaposition of K's, X's, and I's, which probably resembled the sitting positions of human beings. These were carved in the handles with sharks' teeth or bits of shell and look very (Continued on page 164)


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much like diminutive bird tracks in snow. The handles were either long round shafts, believed to be working adzes, or heavy pyramid shapes which were probably ceremonial adzes. The large adzes may have been symbols of power and authority and were regarded as gods themselves.

Many of the accessories developed for the Pacifica trend in decoration today bear a marked resemblance to the simple household objects used by the islanders. Without metals for their tools and clay for pottery, the islanders were limited to stone, wood, and plants to make their utensils. But there was no limit to their ingenuity and imagination. The bowls in which they ground taro roots for poi and other food are graceful because they lack the symmetry of machine-made pieces. For kava, a stimulant drink made from the pepper plant, they created striking bowls which stand on pile-like feet. Fijians carved rosewood bowls into labyrinthian designs and made shallow dishes for oil with which priests and chiefs anointed themselves. There were also stone and hardwood flax beaters, fern-root pounders, mortars and pestles and lime spatulas for the preparation of betel-nuts. On the volcanic islands of Polynesia, gourds in a wide range of shapes and sizes were used in more than 50 different ways. In Hawaii and New Zealand, gourd water bottles and bowls were decorated by a staining process which has yet to be fully explained. Any one of the wonderful containers would be a handsome contribution to a house today.

While the basic colors of today's Pacifica palette were derived from sand, sea, sky, and leafy plants, the accent colors were inspired by the distinctive birds of the Pacific. Always considered magical, the tail feathers of such birds as the cockatoos, lories, and the king bird of paradise, were plucked and used to decorate primitive staffs, cloaks, and helmets. The New Zealand Maori attached feathers to long staffs and waved them to confuse their opponents. In Hawaii, bundles of feathers were thrust into the knots of nettings and arranged so that they overlapped to form a feather cloak. Red and yellow were their favorite colors, the crescents their favorite motif. It took hundreds of birds to supply enough feathers for one cloak, so the latter was saved for ceremonies and battles. Decorative masks, too, suggest dramatic colors. They were often painted red, yellow, black, and white and decorated with rattan, bark-cloth, shell, or feathers. The Torres Straits in New Guinea produced exquisite masks made of tor-toise-shell plates.

Since the turn of the century, authentic examples of the early art of the South Seas are difficult to find, because new foreign materials were introduced to the islands and many objects have been produced expressly for tourists. We are therefore indebted to the museums which have preserved the authentic art and traced the origins and uses. The Peabody Museum of Salem, Massachusetts, has a particularly fine collection from the South Sea islands, upon which this brief survey is based.


Tahitian poi pounder


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End table, \$80, by Mansion House. Host chair covered in Thaibok's Siamese silk plaid, $\$ 175$, by KneedlerFauchere.

Cocktail table has natural mahogany finish, black metal legs, \$40, by Luther W. Conover.

Floor cushions, foam rubber, in muslin, $\$ 29.50$, by Metropolitan Furniture Mfg. Co.
Accessories: Tray (shown on cocktail table), available in set of three, $\$ 12.50$ imported by Quon-Quon Co. Apples, $\$ 3.50$ each, pears, $\$ 3.50$ each (shown on tray), both by Grossman-Moody, Ltd.
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Abaca hemp squares are 80 c sq. ft . by Tropicraft.
Brass planter, $\$ 20$, by Herbert Van Doorn.
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Black metal frame room divider designed by Muriel Coleman, $\$ 100$ by California Contemporary, Inc. "Antelope" chair, designed by Ernest Race, white metal frame, red seat, $\$ 45$ by Waldron Associates.
Fish mobile, designed by Clark Voorhees. Mobile is made of four different woods: rosewood, ebony, tulipwood and zebra, $\$ 225$ by Hanšen.
Mahogany bowl (foreground, containing grapefruit), $\$ 40$ by Edith Hernandez \& Co.
Wooden bowls (on room divider shelves), top, $\$ 18.75$, center, $\$ 21$, lower left, \$21, all from America House. Wallpapers (shown on wall) 1. to r.: ferns pattern wallpaper, $\$ 1.50$ roll, by Talisman Wallpapers. Striped linen on paper, in Driftwood, Forest green, or black, $\$ 12.75$ roll, imported by Kneed-ler-Fauchere for Murals, Inc. "Algiers" wallpaper, gold on porcelain, designed by Virginia Hamill, $\$ 8$ roll, by C. W. Stockwell.
Fabrics (back to foreground) : "Pandanus" fabric, Dove Gray and Gunmetal, designed by Vera, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, antique twill, $\$ 5.75$ yd., "Papaya" fabric, Forest green on white, designed by Vera, $36^{\prime \prime}$ wide, cotton duck, $\$ 4.35$ yd.; and "Suva" molded vinyl material on fabric backing, $54^{\prime \prime}$ wide. Available through decorators. All fabrics by F. Schumacher \& Co.
Wallpaper (foreground under bowl):
"Kaftan" designed by Virginia Hamill, in Pebble, black, and porcelain, $\$ 7$ roli, by C. W. Stockwell.
Carpeting (foreground): "Spatter," crushed-rock effect, tones of Pebble, $27^{\prime \prime}, 9$, $12^{\prime}$ widths, $\$ 8$ sq. yd. by James Lees \& Sons.
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"Tonga Thatch" printed cotton twill in Dove Gray and Gunmetal, four other color combinations, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 4.98$ yard.
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"Sea Grasses" handprint wallpaper, gold on green, gray, and Hot Chocolate on beige, $\$ 5.80$ roll, F. Schumacher. "Adz" derived from ceremonial hatchet, woven abstract texture comes in Gunmetal and five other H\&G colors, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 15.20$ yard, Cheney Brothers.

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K'ang couch, rattan, light teak finish, upholstered foam-rubber mattress, covered in "Maori" linen 48 " w. $\$ 9 \mathrm{yd}$. by Schumacher. $\$ 360$ in muslin (pillows extra), by The McGuire Co.
Table-bench, four in group, black lacquer, each with $20^{\prime \prime}$ sq. top, $11^{\prime \prime}$ high, $\$ 40$ each. Lamp table, $24^{\prime \prime}$ sq.. $21^{\prime \prime}$ h., black lacquer, $\$ 50$, both by Metropoli$\tan$ Furniture Co.
Lamp has hand-turned hardwood base, finished to bring out natural color and grain of wood, $29^{\prime \prime}$ high, designed by Raymond Pfennig for the Zina Lamp Co.
Flaxtex "Arlington" carpeting, $\$ 12$ sqyd., by the National Carpeting Co. Curtains hand-blocked by James West for Menlo Textiles.
Glass bowl, by Blenko Glass Co.
Antique lacquer bowl by Grossman Moody, Ltd.

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Two ottomans, black wrought-iron legs, $\$ 40$ in muslin, by Luther W. Conover. As shown: upholstered in Schumacher's "Pandanus" print designed by Vera in Gunmetal and Dove Gray, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, antique twill inspired by adz carving, $\$ 5.75 \mathrm{yd}$.
Sukiyaki table, designed by Peter Rooke-Ley, has wrought-iron base, laminated Kelobra wood top, 4' square, $\$ 149$ by California Contemporary, Inc. Floor cushions, rubberized hair, $\$ 19.50$ ea. in muslin by Metropolitan Furn. Co. As shown: two upholstered in Schumacher's white linen, two in Nasturtium linen, $50^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 7.50$ yard.
Cube table, rattan frame, glass top, $16^{\prime \prime}$ 1., $18^{\prime \prime}$ h., designer, Leonard Linden, $\$ 30$. Officer's chair, designed by Eleanor Forbes, oak with rawhide or reed bindings, pivoting back and removable sling seat made of sand-colored heavy textured fabric, \$45 in muslin, both by The McGuire Co.

Accessories on table: lamp base is a double rectangle of hollow square metal tubing, $\$ 65$, by KneedlerFauchere. Cigarette box by Lemurian Crafts.
Glass bowl, $11^{\prime \prime}$ diameter, $\$ 4$ by Imperial Glass Corp.
Curtains are "Water Grasses" print in Sandalwood, Driftwood on sheer white Orlon, $50^{\prime \prime}$ w., $\$ 7.40$ yard by Cheney Brothers.
Carpet is "Spatter," crushed-rock effect tones of Pebble, $27^{\prime \prime}, 9^{\prime}, 12^{\prime}$ widths, $\$ 8$ sq. yd., James Lees \& Sons.
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California Contemporary's surfboard dining table, laminated Kelobra wood top, black wrought-iron base, table is $38^{\prime \prime} \times 72^{\prime \prime}, \$ 169$. Iron dining chairs, designed by Peter Rooke-Ley, hair seat and back, $\$ 53$ in muslin. As shown: upholstered in "Flaxweave," Cerulean Blue, $\$ 4.50$ yd., by D. N. \& E. Walters Co.
"Optic" pattern tumblers, 12 oz., $\$ 19.20$ doz., by U. S. Glass Co.
"Thebe" stainless-steel flatware, 6-piece place setting, $\$ 7.90$ by A. B. Gense. Rectangular wooden plates, $\$ 9$ ea., by Grossman-Moody, Ltd.
Hand-woven napkins, part of mat set. service for $6, \$ 27$ the set, by William Walters.

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Dining chairs, black wrought-iron legs, $\$ 33$ in muslin, by Modern Color. As shown: upholstered in white Coronado cloth $52^{\prime \prime}$ w., $\$ 5.65$ yd., by F. Schumacher \& Co.
Dining table, mahogany top, black wrought-iron base, $29^{\prime \prime}$ h., $42^{\prime \prime}$ w., $60^{\prime \prime}$ l., extends to $84^{\prime \prime}, \$ 175$, by Mansion House.
Secretary bookcase, in walnut, has red lacquered section, $16^{\prime \prime}$ deep, one side drops to make desk, cabinet and bookcase space inside, $\$ 245$, by Glenn of California.
White Arzberg china, 5 -piece place setting, $\$ 6.65$ by Lauffer Co., Inc.
Wooden beakers (shown on shelf), $\$ 8$ each, by Lemurian Crafts.
Glasses on table are tear-drop goblets, $\$ 30$ doz. by Kraft Class Studios.

## Lower right

Lounge chairs, black wrought-iron frames with fish-net seats and backs from Beachcomber group, $\$ 35$ each. Sun chaise longue, black wrought-iron frame and fish-net covering, $\$ 50$ each. Black wrought-iron cocktail table has glass top, $30^{\prime \prime} \times 40^{\prime \prime}, 880$. All by Pacific Iron Products.

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Sofa designed by Paul Frankl, \$252 in muslin, by Ficks Reed. As shown: covered in "Bambu" vinyl upholstery fabric in Driftwood, 54 ", $\$ 7.35 \mathrm{yd}$. by L. E. Carpenter Co.

Ficks Reed ottoman, designed by Paul Frankl, rattan frame, $\$ 38$ in muslin. As shown: covered in same fabric as sofa.

Officer's chairs, designed by Eleanor Forbes, oak with rawhide or reed bindings, pivoting backs, removable seats, both made of sand-colored heavy textured fabric, $\$ 45$ ea., in muslin, by The McGuire Co.
Accessories: pair of pottery table lamps, taupe, with Japanese grass cloth (Continued on page 167)

## PACIFICA

shades, $\$ 50$ ea. by Design Technics. Horse rubbing scroll, $\$ 25$ by The Fan Co.
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Banquettes from Pacifica Casual group, $36^{\prime \prime}$ w., $26^{\prime \prime}$ d., $16^{\prime \prime}$ h., in muslin, $\$ 70$ each, by Sherman/Bertram of California. As shown: covered in "Amana" texture fabric, Pebble and Driftwood, $54^{\prime \prime}$ wide, $\$ 7$, by Moss Rose.
James Lees' "Tapa" looped wool car peting adapted from original tapa collection, $27^{\prime \prime}$ w. in Sandalwood and Driftwood, $\$ 11$ lineal yd.
Baker lamp table, $\$ 142$.
Lamp has hand-turned wood base, gunmetal finish, matching parchment shade, $39^{\prime \prime}$ high, designed by Raymond Pfennig, \$55, Zina Lamp Co.
Lemurian Crafts flower pot with copper liner, $\$ 25$.

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Day bed, strata pumpkin cover, $75^{\prime \prime} 1$., $29^{\prime \prime}$ w., $14^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{h}$., $\$ 198$. Cocktail tables in black lacquer, four in group, $20^{\prime \prime}$ sq. top, 11 " high, $\$ 40$ each. Floor chair (TV seat), strata pumpkin cover, $26^{\prime \prime}$ w., $22^{\prime \prime}$ seat depth, $24^{\prime \prime}$ high, as shown: $\$ 120$, all by Metropolitan Furniture Mfg. Co.
Accessories: lantern lamp, black metal frame, shade of transparent hemp cloth mounted over Fiberglas, 14" over-all height, $\$ 40$, by Kneedler-Fauchere. Antique lacquer trays, $\$ 7.25$ each by Grossman-Moody, Ltd.
Decorative pillows, $\$ 10$ each, by Mansion House.
Flaxtex "Arlington" carpeting, $\$ 12$ sq. yd. by the National Carpeting Co.
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Cocktail table, tanguile and bamboo, top is split, pressed bamboo, $\$ 100$ by Brown-Saltman.
Tufted floor cushions, rubberized hair, $\$ 19.50$ each, in muslin, by Metropolitan Furniture Co.
Paper Japanese lanterns, white oiled paper, black lacquer tops and bottoms, $8^{\prime \prime} \times 21^{\prime \prime}, \$ 12.50 ; 10^{1} / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 29^{\prime \prime}, \$ 16$, by Kneedler-Fauchere.
"Thebe" 6-piece stainless-steel place setting, $\$ 7.90$ by A. B. Gense.
Tiffin tumblers, $\$ 2.20$ each by U. S. Glass.
Hand-woven napkins, part of mat set, service for $6, \$ 27$ by William Walters. Green Hawaiian fish plates, $\$ 3.50$ each, by K. L. Andrew.
Abaca hemp squares, $12^{\prime \prime}, 80 \mathrm{c} s q$. ft . by Tropicraft.

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Dining table, wood top, black wroughtiron legs, Pacifica group, \$215. Dining chairs, Pacifica group, $\$ 110$ in muslin. As shown: upholstered in Siamese silk by Thaibok Fabrics Ltd. All by Knee-dler-Fanchere.
Accessories: black wrought-iron candelabra, $\$ 25$ by Van Keppel-Green. Silk wall hanging, hand blocked by Jimmy West, $\$ 60$ by Kneedler-Fauchere.
Carpeting is "Multitone" may be ordered in any width, $\$ 10$ sq. yd. Adamo Co.

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"Old French" pattern, 6-piece luncheon setting, $\$ 31.75 ; 6$-piece dinner setting, $\$ 34.75$ by Gorham Silver Co.
"Encanto Nuevo" Franciscan Fine China in sandalwood, $\$ 13.75$ place setting, by Gladding, McBean.
"Viking" pattern, goblets, wines, and
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all other stemware, $\$ 33$ doz. Crystal decanter, $\$ 8.25$, both by U. S. Glass. "Pandanus" folding screen of woven palm leaf, three sections, natural color, $\$ 80$, by Ficks Reed, N. Y.
Centerpiece is of driftwood branches, sea shells, "pearls," and butterflies (made to order), $\$ 75$ by Helen Cole Inc., N. Y.
Linen double damask napkins in Flame, with seeded monogram in cocoa brown, $\$ 48$ doz. or $\$ 5.75$ each with monogramming from Léron, Inc., N. Y. Ash trays of real shell, $\$ 4.50$ ea., table mats with brown lace around edges, $\$ 2.75$ ea., all from Mayhew Co., N. Y. Dining chair designed by Eleanor Forbes for the McGuire Co. Rattan with light teak finish, $\$ 72$, foam-rubber cushion, $\$ 20$, in muslin.
"Parina" linen on seat cushion, 50 " wide, $\$ 7.50$ yard, by F. Schumacher \& Co., N. Y.

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Top right
Headboard $4^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$, $\$ 85$; also available $3^{\prime} 3^{\prime \prime}$. Night stands, $\$ 55$ ea. Double dresser, $\$ 195$. These pieces are from the Santa Fe Group, of ash wood, especially inlaid, Buckskin finish. By See-Mar of California.
Center
Headboard of oak, finished in dark teak, inset headboard of cane matting in natural cane color, $\$ 113$ by Grand Rapids Bookcase \& Chair Co. Curtains of "Papaya" fabric by F. Schumacher Bottom right
Sun screens, designed by FarkasBaermann, frame of tubular aluminum with "Perma-Gleam" finish makes them weatherproof, webbing is Firestone's plastic Velon, screen is adjustable, $\$ 79$ by Donson Corp.

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## Top left

Combination buffet-sideboard, with two nesting benches, cabinet is $48^{\prime \prime} \times 21^{\prime \prime} \times$ $33^{\prime \prime}$ high, black Formica top, brass bindings, brass knobs on doors; wood is Indiana oak, natural nutmeg brown finish, $\$ 400$. Benches are $21^{\prime \prime}$ sq., $16^{\prime \prime}$ high, attached cushion with brass nails, benches in muslin, $\$ 72$ each, by S. J. Campbell Co. Rug, "Tropica" pattern, acetate $27^{\prime \prime}$, $12^{\prime}$ widths $\$ 12.50 \mathrm{sq}$. yd. by James Lees.
Top right
Sofa from Pacifica Casual group, $86^{\prime \prime}$ 1. $\times 28^{\prime \prime}$ h. $\times 36^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{d}$., $\$ 340$, in muslin by Sherman/Bertram of California. As shown: covered in "Tonga Thatch" twill by F. Schumacher.
Center
Double dresser, six-drawer chest with base (two shown), wood is tanguile Philippine mahogany, $\$ 240$ by BrownSaltman Furniture Co.

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Langbein bamboo place mat,
Black marbleized oval platter, $\$ 28$, by Sascha Brastoff.
Round Grainware plastic bowl, $16^{\prime \prime}$ diameter, $3^{\prime \prime}$ high, $\$ 17.50$.
Green glass salad bowl in wroughtiron stand, $\$ 10$ by Dunbar Glass Corp. Pineapple sectional bowl, available in black, white, or three colors, $\$ 25$ by Ferris Shacknove.
Bottom right
Large wooden bowl by Langbein is hand-hewn, can be used for wall decoration.


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3. "Shell Chest" by Witold Gordon,

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5. "Country Auction" by Aaron Bohrod, $\$ 2.30$ yard.
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Borsch, Cathay Hotel, Shanghai
Chicken cazuela, Union Club, Panama
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Pago-Pago stuffed pineapple
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Grate 8 average-sized peeled beets, or the same amount of canned beets. Add 3 tbsp. grated onion pulp, 1 tbsp. strained lemon juice, $1 / 2$ tsp. basil, 7 cups rich consommé (canned is fine). Salt and cayenne, to taste. Simmer slowly for 30 minutes. Two tbsp. sherry added after simmering is a fine variant. If borsch is to be served cold, now add $1 \frac{1}{2}$ envelopes clear gelatin dissolved in cold water, stir well, and
chill in the bouillon cups. Just before serving, hot or cold, add 1 tbsp. sour cream to each cup, then $1 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}$. caviar for final garnish. Serves 8 to 10 .

## Chicken cazuela

On top of stove, lightly brown two jointed fryers in olive oil or butter, seasoning with garlic salt and handmilled pepper. Place in glazed pottery oven dish or, for drama, a big Spanish cazuela. For each pair of birds add $1 / 4$ tsp. each of mace and anchovy paste, dust with a little cinnamon and clove; add 1 cup dry white table wine and $1 / 4$ cup light Puerto Rican rum, then cover $1 / 4$ inch deep with crushed pineapple. With cover on, braise in low oven at $275^{\circ}$ until chicken is tender but not falling off the bone.

## Green rice

Cook white rice thus: add 1 cup washed rice to 2 cups boiling water containing 1 tsp. salt, piece lemon peel, and $1 / 2$ tsp. lemon juice. When water boils up again, cover pot tightly, put on lowest possible heat. Inspect after 20 minutes. Rice is done when fluffydry but not too soft. Now add 2 tbsp. melted butter, 3 tbsp. fine-chopped (stemmed) parsley, 1 to 2 tbsp. fine(Continued on page 174)


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chopped crisp almonds. Mix gently with a fork, but don't damage grains. For more flavor, chicken broth can be used instead of water.

## Fried red bananas

Red bananas have better flavor than yellow, I think. Anyhow, slice a dozen lengthwise, then across. Put in well buttered frying pan, moisten lightly with lime or lemon juice, dust generously with cinnamon and clove, then sprinkle with plenty of brown sugar and mask with pincapple pulp. Fry gently, covered, until bananas are ten der all through, basting now and then with pineapple-sugar syrup. This can also be baked, covered, in a $350^{\circ}$ oven. It's amazing how banana flavor changes in cooking, becoming, instead of a sweet, a good relish with meat.

## Pago-Pago stuffed pineapple

Trim off top of a ripe fruit $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches down. With knife and big spoon remove pulp, being careful not to puncture the shell. Discard tough core and dice pulp. Even off large end so fruit will stand; return all pulp and juice. Add 3 dashes Angostura bitters, $1 / 4$ cup apricot brandy, 3 pinches each clove and cinnamon, 3 tbsp. sugar, 1 tbsp. chopped green mint. Stir well. Recap fruit and chill overnight. Hawaiian, Eleuthera, or Mexican ripe pineapples, all large, are best.

## MENU 2

For lunch on a boat

## Havaiian makiki

appetizer

## Acapulco seafood chowder

Red kidney beans de luxe Hot Mexican chocolate

## Hawaiian makiki appetizer

Put the pulp of a ripe avocado in a mixing bowl; season rather highly with Tabasco, lime or lemon juice, a little grated onion pulp, a trace of tarragon vinegar. Add fine-chopped, crisp, lean bacon and spread on thin toast or Melba toast.

## Acapulco seafood chowder

Make a stock by putting in pot 6 small raw split rock lobsters, 2 lbs. raw jumbo shrimp, heads and fins from the fish you will add later, 2 coarsely chopped carrots, 3 chopped stalks (and leaves) of celery, 2 quartered onions, juice and hull of 1 small lemon, 4 bay leaves, $1 / 4$ tsp. each mace and clove, $1 / 4$ tsp. thyme, 12 crushed peppercorns, and 1 tsp. salt with enough water to cover. Simmer 1 hour. Strain through a coarse sieve, rubbing any edible matter through but reserve lobster and shrimp. Shell both, cut former into bite-sized pieces. In heavy kettle, sauté 1 bunch chopped onions in $1 / 4$ cup (Continued on page 175)


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butter until soft. Add lobster and shrimp, together with 1 lb . each boneless fillets of any three fish except mackerel. Cut these into 2 -inch square pieces; add also 1 pint small oysters with their liquor, 1 tsp. saffron dried in big spoon over heat, and pulverized. Add strained stock, and put in just enough dry white wine to cover. Simmer gently uncovered until chowder is very thick and rich, but do not stir as this breaks up fish. As fish are tender, it is cooked in about 20 minutes. Serve, juices and all, over thick slabs of French or Spanish bread, toasted. Clams will do as well as oysters, either shelled or intact.

## Red kidney beans

Use the large, canned variety. Add a trace of sugar, the pulp of a small onion, grated, and as much canned chili con carne as you have beans. Heat to simmering point and serve hot. You might use macaroni instead of beans if you prefer.

## Hot Mexican chocolate

Use bitter chocolate squares and a milk base in a richer proportion than the directions on the package say. For every cup, add 2 drops vanilla, sugar to taste, and 1 tbsp. thick cream. Beat to a froth with mollinillo, whisk, or egg beater. On a cold day, add a touch of rum.

MENU 3
For the outdoor grill

Panned oysters, Seattle Olympic Athletic Club

Omar Khayyam's shish-kebab de luxe

Omar Khayyam's pink rice pilaff
Mark Hopkins stuffed baked potato
Mixed green salad, Beverly Hills Hotel
Tahitian mango delight
Mocha-Java blend coffee

## Panned oysters

Gently sauté Olympic (or any other small) oysters with thin curls of Canadian bacon, a few drops of lemon juice, a few chopped B-in-B mushrooms and enough sherry to flavor lightly. When edges curl, mask with a mushroom cream sauce such as you will find in any standard cook book, or chopped, sautéed mushrooms simmered until semi-thick in half a can of cream of mushroom soup.

Omar Khayyam's shish-kebab
Trim lean meat (no gristle) from 6 lb . leg of lamb, and cut into $11 / 2$ inch squares $1 / 2$ inch thick. In bowl put $\% / 3$ cup dry red wine or sherry, 2 tbsp. (Continued on page 176)


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olive oil, 1 tsp. oregano or marjoram, 1 tbsp. salt, $1 / 2$ tsp. crushed peppercorns (I also add $1 / 4$ tsp. crushed juniper), $1 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. sliced onion, 2 crushed garlic cloves, scant tbsp. lemon juice. Mix well. Add cut-up lamb, tossing until well coated. Marinate 4 hours (or overnight if you have time) ; drain. On long skewer (the square type is best as round skewers tend to roll and burn meat on one side) put thin-cut $11 / 2$ inch squares of lean Canadian bacon, a piece of lamb, a piece of fresh mushroom, a small thick slice of ripe tomato, a round slice of green pepper. Repeat until each skewer holds 5 or 6 pieces of lamb, ending with bacon at the last. Grill directly over coals, turning often, until well browned. Serves 10 to 12 people generously.

Omar Khayyam's pink rice pilaff

Melt $1 / 4 \mathrm{lb}$. butter in frying pan, I prefer a heavy iron one. Turn in 3 cups of dry rice, cook until butter bubbles briskly. Add $7 / 3$ cup finely chopped onion, $1 / 2$ cup chopped skinned ripe tomato (take as many seeds out as possible), $21 / 2$ cups tomato juice, and 3 cups lamb or beef broth or consommé; stir once, adding salt and pepper to taste. Cover, bake in a medium oven at $375^{\circ}$ for $1 / 2$ hour. Inspect, separate gently with a fork, cover, and bake for about 20 minutes more. When grains are tender but not too soft, the pilaff is done.

Mark Hopkins stuffed baked potato

Use big Idaho or California potatoes. Scrub, brush with bacon fat, bake in a $400^{\circ}$ oven. Remove when potatoes are still firm, but cooked through. Cut a flat trapdoor on top side. Spoon out pulp, mash in a bowl with 1 tsp. chopped chives, 1 tbsp. melted butter, 1 tbsp. thick cream for each potato. Season with a pinch each of curry powder, salt, and cayenne. Mix well. Restuff shells and mask, first with finely chopped, lean, crisp bacon, then with plenty of grated Parmesan or other sharp cheese. Brown cheese topping lightly under broiler; serve sizzling.

Mixed green salad
Use equal amounts of iceberg, Boston lettuce, tender green mustard, endive, romaine, and watercress. Garnish with uncut, stemmed parsley, a few nastur tium blooms, a tbsp. marigold petals. Make a mild French dressing of 1 part vinegar, 3 parts olive oil, $1 / 4$ part dry red wine. Season with fresh marjoram and/or basil, garlic salt, hand-milled black pepper. Toss gently but well,

## Tahitian mango delight

Use canned or home-preserved mangoes. You can buy the canned variety at many specialty shops. For 6 people, use 3 small cans of mangoes. Arrange (Continued on page 177)


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fruit on a serving dish; drain syrup into a bowl; mix with 3 tbsp. of lime or lemon juice, 3 pinches each of clove and ground ginger, 2 tbsp. of brandy or Cointreau, 1 tbsp. grated yellow orange rind. Mix, pour over mangoes; chill very cold indeed.

## MENU 4

## For outdoor brunch

Chinese egg-drop soup
Don the Beachcomber's chicken livers rumaki
Poached Pacific black cod
New parsley potatoes
Trader Vic's stuffed avocado salad Coconut ice cream, Royal Havaiian

## Chinese egg-drop soup

In a saucepan put 4 cups clear canned chicken broth, 1 tbsp. grated onion pulp, $1 / 2$ cup of fine-chopped celery hearts and $1 / 4$ tsp. monosodium glutamate. Simmer gently 10 minutes. Add 1 beaten egg, very fresh, stirring until shredded. Put $7 / 3$ cup watercress leaves (no stems) into the still-boiling soup. Simmer exactly 60 seconds longer, and serve. Chinese cabbage, sliced paper thin, is also delightful in this one.

Chicken livers rumaki
On skewer, put 1 can of B-in-B mushroom caps, $1 / 4$-inch-thick slice of canned (La Choy) water chestnuts, I round-cut piece of lean bacon, a gen-
erous slice of chicken liver. Repeat this 3 to 4 times, ending with a mushroom. Season lightly, dust with flour or cornstarch, dip in olive oil emulsified with a little soya sauce. Brown under broiler or over coals. Serve really sizzling.

Poached Pacific black cod Don't confuse this boneless, tender, sunset-tinted miracle with ordinary finnan haddie. Freshen cod in cold water for $1 / 2$ hour. Cut into generous portions; put in a pan with enough scalded milk to cover to $1 / 2$ or $3 / 4$. Add a little dry sherry or white wine, 1 pinch mace and 1 bayleaf for each sizeable piece. Poach very, very gently, covered. This is cooked when the fish is tender but not broken. Drain and serve as is, or with an egg cream sauce -see any standard cook book.

## New parsley potatoes

Peel tiny new potatoes; boil in lightly salted water until tender. Drain. Add enough butter in dry hot pot to cover generously; turn with a spoon. Add chopped green parsley (stemmed) to garnish nicely; serve hot. I add a pinch of chopped mint for a new flavor.

Trader Vic's stuffed avocado salad

Mix 1 cup crabmeat, 1 tbsp. finely chopped spring onion, $1 / 2$ cup thinly (Continued on page 181)

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Ingredient-wise, there is no such thing as the generic tropical drink. Exotic concoctions that taste good in warm weather can be brewed out of anything from anisette to vieille cure. There are, however, certain niceties about serving them which cater to the cool look. You want plenty of ice in cube or frappéd form, also glasses big enough to "sweat" and remind you of the contrast between the temperature of their contents and what the thermometer reads outside. Fruit juices are a good hotweather ingredient, which accounts, in many tropical drinks, for the prevalence of rum, a willing blender with everything from lime to coconut milk. Gin takes well to citrus juices, too. Combined with tonic water, it is a favorite with the British Colonial-unless he happens to prefer Pimm's No. 1 Cup, which is simply doctored-up gin as created by a London pub and carried to India years before the Kipling era. In Hawaii, they make the most of a good thing by adding pineapple juice to their drinks or even serving them out of the whole fruit, à la Royal Hawaiian Hotel. Okolehao, distilled from the $t i$ root, is another Island classic, but it is not available here. On the West Coast, well-known bartenders serve exotic drinks in everything from a whole ripe coconut to a wooden trencher. Some add a floating flower. Ideal accessories to carry out the Pacifica idea in drinks are matting, straw, or wood. We show a sampling here.


British Colonial classic, Pimm's No. 1 Cup is served in a pewter mug (both from Julius Wile) with domestic 7up or imported ginger beer. Matting is courtesy Pan American Shop; bamboo knife, Langbein Giftwares; pith helmet, Abercrombie \& Fitch.


Royal Hawaiian Special is served in hollowed-out ripe pineapple at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, Honolulu. For full recipes of the drinks shown here, write to House \& Garden Reader Service. PH gin is from Crosse \& Blackwell. Hemp matting squares from New Design, Inc.


The Stranger's Club, Colon, Panama, serves the Bird of Paradise, published in The Gentleman's Companion by Charles Baker, Jr., (see page 136). Blackberry liqueur from Renfield; Booth's House of Lords gin, Park \& Tilford; basket and glass are from Langbein Giftwares.


From California comes Trader Vic's punch served in a coconut. Wray \& Nephew Dagger Punch Jamaican rum, Schieffelin \& Co. Wooden canoe bowl, a Langbein original; Madagascar mats, Basket Bazaar. For Trader Vic's Pacifica Punch, created for H\&G, see page 181.


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sliced celery hearts, 1 tbsp. each of lemon juice and mild mustard, $1 / 4$ tsp. curry powder, salt and pepper to taste. Mix the ingredients well and add 2 small cubed skinned tomatoes. Mix gently and then heap the chilled avocado halves with this mixture. Chill again. Serve with a generous dollop of mayonnaise on the top; garnish with thin shreds of anchovy, whole capers,
and some finely chopped pimento.

## Coconut ice cream

Mask each serving of vanilla ice cream with 2 tbsp. canned cream of coconut; dust lightly with finely chopped crystallized ginger and candied orange peel; sprinkle with chopped canned macadamia nuts or blanched almonds.

## RUM PUNCH

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Trader Vic, San Francisco's connoisseur of South Sea island potables, invents a "Pacifica" punch for H\&G

Throughout Polynesian and other South Sea islands, the communal punchbowl is an important part of entertaining. Usually it is made of guavas, mangoes, and other exotic fruit. In this country it is possible to duplicate its character by the use of bananas, citrus fruits, bottled Passion Fruit juice.

5 dozen oranges
4 dozen lemons
10 bananas
3 grapefruit
2 pounds brown sugar
2 sprigs fresh mint
10 bottles white wine
1 bottle Passion Fruit Nectar (Mynor's) 6 bottles white rum (Ron Merito, Don Q, Brugal, etc.)
1 bottle Jamaica rum (Red Heart or Myers's)

Squeeze the fruit and slice the bananas. Combine and put all ingredients in a crock, rinds included, with the exception of the rum. Let this concoction stand overnight. Next day add the rum. Strain off and discard the fruit pulp and rinds. Pour liquid into barrel or punch bowl with plenty of ice. Let the mixture chill as long as you can stand it (says Trader Vic), then "blow the starting whistle." Serve, preferably in individual coconut cups.


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In summer the owners use the porch for every-day living, dining, and recreation. Glazed tiles of different colors and shapes are arranged in patterns on the table top; they are used in the place of flowers.

## ORIENTAL GARDEN

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structure. I choose Hemerocallis, day lilies, to provide coarse, rather tall ground cover and grass-like leaves. For an even coarser ground cover and something evergreen, I use massings of yucca. On a smaller scale, for blue-gray color, I use Festuca glauca, a wire-like grass.
To achieve the restful horizontals of a Japanese garden I use blue stone and gray-black concrete bricks. Black, shining buckwheat coal makes another satisfactory, horizontal "rest" for the eye. Before putting coal on, I sterilize the ground so there will be no sprouting weeds. A little, casual weeding in a patch of herbs has to be done in most gardens, but I believe in cutting down on maintenance, even in ground covers. Rose quartz chips or ground-up oyster shells from a poultry feed store make good ground covers for tonal effect.
There are two important veins of rose quartz in the United States, one in Maine, one in North Dakota. When boulders are shipped by freight car they bump together and chips develop. In our garden I used 1,000 pounds of these rose quartz chips on top of a base pile of gray, New England stones which we found while we were building our terrace.
With serenity in mind, I never plant a garden so that it can alter my quiet-scaled plan by suddenly bursting into profuse bloom. To establish the boundaries of such a garden and keep them strong, even in winter, I use a masonry wall, a hedge of yew, a shrub massing so dense that it becomes a thicket; or I place a piece of sculpture against the horizon. I avoid selecting any plants which need spraying or special feeding and pampering. Particularly, I avoid formal plantings of roses, because serenity implies a minimum of upkeep and effort.


Locust butts are used to hold the soil in a $4^{\prime \prime}$ podium at the base of an Amelanchier shadblow tree.

In Japanese gardens, continuity is sometimes accomplished by cutting off nine tenths of the azalea buds and the iris buds. If these plants were allowed to bloom in their normal profusion, the effect of repose in the tranquil garden composition would be smothered. For my own garden, I chose five kolkwitzia shrubs, five gangling beauty-bushes, pruned within an inch of their lives. Their shaggy stems stick up against the horizon. In June only the tops produce a burst of bloom. Sometimes the flowering looks like a pink cloud.
In gardens of tranquillity, the hardest job is to bring the sky down to give the area a roof. Trees which remain small help to achieve this illusion. For delicacy and complex pattern, I use the powder puff, Albizzia julibrissin rosea. For clould gray, the Russian olive. For the exotic and the tropical,
banana trees. They grow like jungle weeds and transplant easily into small tubs. You can sit under their great emerald green leaves in a living room in winter; in the garden in summer. Lots of water is their only requirement. And for a needle evergreen, I choose Pinus parviftora, the Japanese blue pine. If you have never seen so-called "crippled or bent" tree specimens, ask your nurseryman to show you some. You are very likely to find something as lovely as those that have been growing in a Japanese pot for 200 years.


In June the heavily pruned kolkwitzias produce pink, cloud-like bursts of bloom at tips of branches.

A garden which expresses serenity is best achieved in a small space, so I try to keep a defined area within twice the size of the house foundation. My own house is square, about 30 by 30 feet, with a porch on the north side which takes the roughhouss of everyday living. Beyond the porch, and three steps down, lies the garden. Its measurements are about 30 by 60 feet. Even though it is in the lee of a twostory house, there are advantages in a garden to the north; morning and afternoon, the sun spotlights it. A garden to the south is seen only in silhouette, or at best by overhead light.
My ground plan is geometric and simple-one square with one cone, another square with one circle and one rectangle. The first square is a terrace of pine needles and the cone at a corner of the square is a miniature mountain, about 40 inches high, of rose quartz chips. Opaque facets of pink rise from the texture of pine needles. The terrace is defined by a low-sitting wall of terra cotta flue tiles. That kind of wall is very easy to construct. Our local lumber yard truck left the 14 -inch flue tiles in a pile. We didn't bother with footings or foundations, but leveled the ground and laid the tiles end to end. Then we laid the next row, staggering the joints. Occasionally we turned a flue tile with the opening out. This gave us a patterned rhythm of square openings and long, rectangular solids.
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Staggered rows of terra cotta flue tiles make a rhythm of square openings, and long rectangulars.


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Once the boundaries of a gaxden have been organized, I study the spacing of plants as carefully as-I study the spacing of flowers in a flower arrangement. The specimen plants on my planting list-whether they be a lily or a crippled blue spruce-must have individual poise and balance. Yet the possibility of a happy accident, such as Nicotiana seeding itself in a flagstone joint, must not be overlooked.
It is also possible to harness a dramatic effect with a serene one by putting one plant of Oriental poppies or delphinium in front of a boxwood hedge. White lotus is used effectively in some American gardens. You can grow them in your terrace in tubs, and they are wonderful.
In these serene outdoor rooms, I keep the fragrance suggestive rather than overwhelming; in other words, not too much heliotrope. I like to use bamboos and the once popular Victorian pampas because of the hushed noises they make in the evening wind.
It is interesting to note that contemporary architecture, in demanding new requirements, has put much more emphasis on the art of garden making. Our rooms used to be defined and confined by wallpaper and window mullions. Now our architects give us a sheet of glass from ceiling to floor. Through this "picture window" wall, the room goes out, the landscape comes in-exactly what has been happening in Japanese domestic architecture for

1,000 years. In Japan, the shoji doors of wood and paper are removed whenever weather permits. The landscape moves in; the room moves out, becoming a platform overlooking the garden. The rooms are serene; grass mats on the floors, the furnishings contained behind sliding doors. The single picture in the room is often a landscapewater, mountains, the moon. Its effect on the scale of the adjoining garden is to expand and transcend it.

Sometimes stepping stones carry the eye outward. A pool will appear to be enormous because there is an island between you and the far boundary. The plant materials close by are delicate; those farther away are coarse and simple. Poised and delicate balances are studied, such as light against dark, black against white. The scabby white of a Peking pine, Pinus banksiana, rises vertically from a strong horizontal of gray flagstone, or olive green moss. (Continued on page 185)


Fluted glass panel juts from the ivy-covered wall, guides rivulets of water to the tiny pool below.


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and of writing is to us, So, from the Orient-adapt, don't adopt. In our American gardens we built miles of French parterres; we did not get our money's worth because the climate and social conditions here are different from 18th-century France. And let us have no more arbitrary adoptions, no more moving of Scottish castles, stone by stone. Above all, don't build a Japanese garden in America, but analyze the qualities which you seek. You must realize that the Japanese garden involves the artistic genius and philosophical aspirations of the Japanese race. We are different. Beg, borrow, stealhumbly and appreciatively; adapt, never adopt.

Woodland garden
The photographs of the woodland garden, and the individual plants, which were used to illustrate the article on pages 76 and 77 of our February issue were taken on the property of Mr . and

Mrs. Franklin B. Kirkbride, at Five Wells, New Canaan, Conn. The plant identified as cinquefoil is correctly called Alchemilla vulgaris, Ladysmantle, a member of the rose family.

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iodine refined out of it. How often, in restaurants, I've ordered a plain, simple, mixed green salad. The waiter brings me a plate of something that resembles a christened sunburst. The greens are limp, running, with a fancy dressing; nothing is crisp or fresh.

I've trouped all over the country, and with a show to play, my body is like a barometer. No drugstore orange juice for me. The orange that the clerk squeezes for you is probably coated with wax as a shipping preservative; it came in a freight car; it often has a color preservative added to make it look pretty, and it's been frozen stiff. Once, on the road with a show, I took along an electric plate. I had holes bored in the bottom of the upper saucepan of my double boiler, for steaming fresh vegetables from the local towns where I played. In this traveling kitchen of mine (one electric plate and a little determination) I ate steamed new potatoes, fresh string beans, swiss chard, zucchini, with lots of parsley.

If I had to run a race I'd prime myself with raw meat, beef, or liver. But green vegetables (steamed, not boiled) and lots of sweet butter, whole wheat bread with fresh, ripe fruits are $m y$ proteins. I'm not a vegetarian, but I deplore the effect of the average "business man's lunch" on men in general. A man has an important conference at his office in the afternoon, so, to give himself energy he puts away
a plate of chops and "french fries," then a heavy slab of pie for "sugar energy." He arrives short of breath, heavy, sleepy, torpid from such a "protein" dose.

Learn a food lesson from a cow, who gets its bone and muscle from grains, corn, grass, alfalfa. Jungle animals eat meat in zoos, but that's a pleasure, not a necessity. In the jungles an animal survives on natural raw foods, grasses, fruit, etc. All of us put too much store in eating for pleasure, in store-bought vitamin pills, without studying what foods are over-refined, and poor in natural minerals. Let's not be a nation of trash-eaters. Let's learn to steam our fresh vegetables with the skins and jackets left on. Nothing is so rewarding in taste or mineral content as tender small green zucchini squashes, steamed whole, not chopped up, to look pretty.

There's so much waste of food in America: portions too big in restaurants, too big on our dinner plates at home. We waste more minerals (which should be trucked out and dug back into our farm soil) than the whole of Europe. If we enriched our soil properly, we wouldn't have to resort to so many insecticides and sprays. A properly balanced soil repels bugs and fungus; so do the skins of vegetables and fruit it produces. What about this craze for cross-hybridizing and con(Continued on page 187)

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stantly refining a new strain of vegetables and fruits? Naturally a strain can be improved, but I'm inclined to think that there is too much tampering by the scientists, with what Nature put in the ground to grow. If you crosshybridize an orange, isn't it possible that the skin will grow thin, delicate and lese its natural resistance to insects? If you compost wisely, enrich your soil, your vegetables will repel blights; you won't have to resort to quantities of synthetics, plant pills, sprays.

Fame and fortune have had very little bearing on my food and diet theories. When I was a little girl I wanted the limelight and I was determined to rise to the top. But even if my ambition had been to be a telephone operator, I'd have been the best operator in the world. And I'd have the same food theories. To do any job well you've got to have pride, drive, but above all, health. How have I kept mine? Discipline and common sense. Actresses are busier than housewives, and I have no time these days to do many of the things I want to do. Unlike the popular misconception that "stars" are creamed, massaged, and given to expensive diets, I work hard. I know that I have a duty to a position, a very public position. I'm a conscientious person, so I want to look my best for the people I entertain. That's why learning about what to eat, and how to cook it, has helped me. I take no salt on anything, and have found that
condiments taint my natural taste. Sometimes I fast for 24 hours, on a diet of potassium broth. This is made with celery, string beans, zucchini and parsley; 2 cups of water to 1 cup of solids, strained. No seasoning whatsoever! When at home I eat very simply. Breakfast consists of cereals with brown or raw sugar or two or three pieces of bread. For lunch a sliced cucumber with sour cream, or peaches or pears or pineapple (these you can get tinned when out of season and are sometimes better than fresh because only the ripe ones are tinned as a rule). These fruits are good with cottage cheese-no dressing. For dinner-I have a plate of five vegetables (steamed) zucchini, string beans, cauliflower or broccoli, swiss chard, new potatoes (boiled), raw carrots and raw celery-sometimes steamed celery root. When dining out in a restaurant I eat meat-beef, lamb, or liver with a salad as a rule because the vegetables have had to be precooked and therefore have lost a lot of their value. One might gather from my diet and theories that I am not a lover of food. This is not true. I enjoy good food, but in proper quantities and when sensibly selected, balanced, cooked-in short, I eat to live rather than live to eat. For information about the plan and equipment in the kitchen shown on page 126, write to House \& Garden's Reader Service, 420 Lexington Ave., New York.


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Palms and two Brassaia actinophylla trees, placed advantageously near the house with its long, low lines, trap shade, moisture, prevailing winds. Ground cover in foreground is naupaka, Scaevola frutescens. System of sliding panels makes garden a part of house.


In the small entrance courtyard, louvered doors admit flowing air. Large cutleaf Monsteras, an a'pe with huge, bold leaves, and other exotic shrubs give textural variety. At right is the rare tree heliotrope, Tournefortia argentea, found on beaches of coral islands.

## Honolulu terrace-garden

Well-chosen native plants, tranquil landscaping keynote this garden by Wilbert Choi for Dr. and Mrs. Richard Sakimoto


The lanai terrace has pleasantly-spaced living areas, natural simplicity. Potted Trinidad bougainvillea, shade trees, leafy greens give freshness to whitewashed walls, lava-brown shutters, Cerulean Blue terrace furniture.


The giant Monstera
leaves make an interesting contrast to slender-trunked native trees, give a constant play of light and shadow over the terrace. The planting is on a scale that maintains itself with minimum upkeep. Ground cover of Spathyphyllum borders paving.


Screened behind hedges of Murraya exotica (orange jasmine), which bears fragrant white flowers, the house is separated from the adjacent road by high fences and a driveway. Large tree against skyline and spinyridged mountains is the monkeypod tree, which bears fluffy pink fiowers.

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## Honolulu orchid garden

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Luxuriant white star jasmine gives fragrance to this night courtyard which can be indirectly lighted. The dark green Japanese grass, Mondo japonicum, makes a deep carpet underfoot, never has to be cut.


This ingenious garden room shows a bamboo lattice built against brick walls to protect vanda orchids from too much sun or shade. Butterfly sprays and other tropical varieties in boxes line the garden room. Colors range through soft yellows, mauves, rich browns, greens, purples, whites in brilliant array.

Open courtyard view shows detail of lattice which gives protection to potted orchid specimens. These form exotic borders of color below fence. Adroit design of lattice makes a flickering pattern of sun and shade.


## Feeding and mulching

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When you transplant, dig the hole deeper than the plant requires. Use the bottom layer of soil to mix with a small quantity of balanced plant food and cover the mixture lightly with plain soil so that tiny roots will not come in contact with the nutrient. Keep your plant roots moist and lightly covered until you are ready to set them into the soil.


Spread out the roots and set your plants in the center of the hole. Do not set them too deep or too shallow; firm the soil as you fill it in. For strawberries, the center of the crown should be a little above soil level. For everbearing types, such as Red Rich, set the plants $15^{\prime \prime}$ apart with $15^{\prime \prime}$. between each of the rows.

Add rest of soil and press it firmly around the roots. Water thoroughly. Now, or before the plants have grown large, mulch $\mathrm{l}^{\prime \prime}-1^{1 / 2 \prime}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ deep with loose airy material such as chopped hay, chopped straw, or sawdust. To produce heavy crops on everbearing strawberries, keep the runners and blossom or fruit stems cut off until about the first of July.



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One of the handsomest of the tropical woody vines, used a great deal in plantings in Honolulu as well as in the far South here and throughout the lands of the Caribbean, is the allamanda, a beautiful evergreen vine with large tubular yellow flowers in constant bloom for many months. Native to South America, the best known is probably $A$. cathartica hendersoni, with flowers as much as five inches across. It was sent from Guiana to England in 1865 ; shortly afterwards it was sent here where it has been popular ever since as a greenhouse climber in the North and outdoors in the far South.

Another useful vine, grown more for its unusual foliage than its aroidlike flowers, is Monstera deliciosa. It is fast growing in popularity for use in northern apartmen's and modern houses due to the decorative effect of the huge, deeply-lobed leaves with their added window-like holes in the older specimens. In Guatemala where it is native, there is one section along the coast road where the Monstera and its close relatives, the large-leaved philo-
dendrons, literally cover the tree trunks. You will see its large, shiny green, open-work leaves in many a Honolulu garden or patio. Take a note from the way it grows in its native haunts and always provide a support for it to climb on.

The flamingo flower is another striking aroid. It originated in Colombia but is now one of the most colorful exotics in Honolulu, Florida, Southern California, or for your own living room or greenhouse. Most of those you will find are forms of Anthurium andraeanum. The leaves and flowers grow from a main stalk on long stems. The heartshaped leaves are deep green; the actual candle-like flower, or spadix, is surrounded with a waxen-like spathe also somewhat heart-shaped, in colors of pink, red, or white according to the variety grown. The flowers last as long as a month on the plant and as long as two or three weeks when properly cut in their prime.

Fancy-leaved caladiums are also aroids from tropical America that are highly prized as summer bedding plants, as pot plants for indoors in cold weather and on the terrace or around the patio where the climate is warm enough.

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Remove all the wet clippings and wipe the reel clean with a dry cloth; then go over the cutting edge with an oily cloth to prevent rust (see illustration 3 , page 135). If this is done regularly, and any part or adjustment is loose, you'll be sure to notice it. After a spell of damp weather, leave your mower in the sun for an hour or so. This will evaporate any unseen dampness that might be present. At the beginning of each season, remove the wheels, clean the gears, and apply a coat of ordinary gun grease to the wearing surfaces of the drive gears.

In caring for the crankcase and the air filter, do be sure to use only the grade of oil or grease specified by the manufacturer of your mower. Generally this is a heavier lubricant than that used on bearings and small parts. A glance at the oil lever in the motor will tell you when the oil should be changed, but you can best determine when you should change the oil in the air filter by dipping your finger into the bottom to see if sludge has accumulated. The oil at the top will look clear and clean even after sediment has formed. The air filter ought to be washed out with gasoline at least once a month, oftener if the weather has been dry and dusty. At the same time, a thin coating of cup grease or vaseline on the chains will keep them in good condition.

Before you store your mower at the end of the season, drain the gasoline from the tank. Gasoline evaporation creates a gummy substance which clogs
the carburetor and makes the motor hard to start in the spring. This might be a good time to have your mower service man go over your machine and make any adjustments or repairs needed, so you can start next season's mowing with confidence that you will have a well-kept lawn.

So much for the things you should do to maintain your mower properly. Equally important are the things you should not do. Never adjust or repair a power mower without first stopping the engine. Never let more than one person at a time work on the mower; accidents can happen when two or more people try to make adjustments. Never start the engine with the clutch engaged and never run full speed when cutting. Never tamper with the motor of your mower. When your machine is delivered to you, the motor has been adjusted by the manufacturer for proper operation. Should repairs become necessary, after long use, the service station designated by the motor manufacturer will be best equipped to make the proper adjustments.

The care of a rotary mower is essertially the same as that of a reel type mower. Never try to make any adjustment while the motor is in operation, and take particular care to keep your feet well out of reach of the rotary blades at all times. Before you start the engine, be sure there is oil in the crank-
case. Lubricate the mower after every 10 or 12 hours of operation. Keep the (Continued on page 195)


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winkle, Vinca rosea. This close relative of our hardy, low creeping myztle, $V$. minor, is actually a tender perennial, usually treated as an annual. It grows erect to as much as two feet, with glistening green leaves and pink or white flowers with a deeper pink eye; individual blooms are as large as a fifty-cent piece.

The chenille plant is a strangelooking East Indian tropical shrub with long red tassels of flowers which droop down through the coarse six-inch leaves like a cat's tail. You can grow this tender Acalypha hispida in pots in the greenhouse and sink them into the garden beds when all danger of frost is well past.

Another odd tropical shrub which lends itself to pot culture in the house is the shrimp plant, Beloperone guttata. Its name comes from the crus-tacean-like orangy-pink set of bracts which appear at the tips of the slender $16^{\prime \prime}$ to $18^{\prime \prime}$ stems and which shield the rather inconspicuous smaller flowers.

These are but a few of the more noticeable exotic plants you will see in the islands of the Pacific, which you might try growing on your own place. You will find directions for their culture in many of the better garden dictionaries, encyclopedias, or volumes which include the more unusual types of house plants.

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blades sharp, and after each use inspect the spool-like shoe, directly above the blades, removing any lengths of vine, soft twigs, twine, etc. wound around it.
It is also good to clean off the grass mulchings from the bottom of the blade
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