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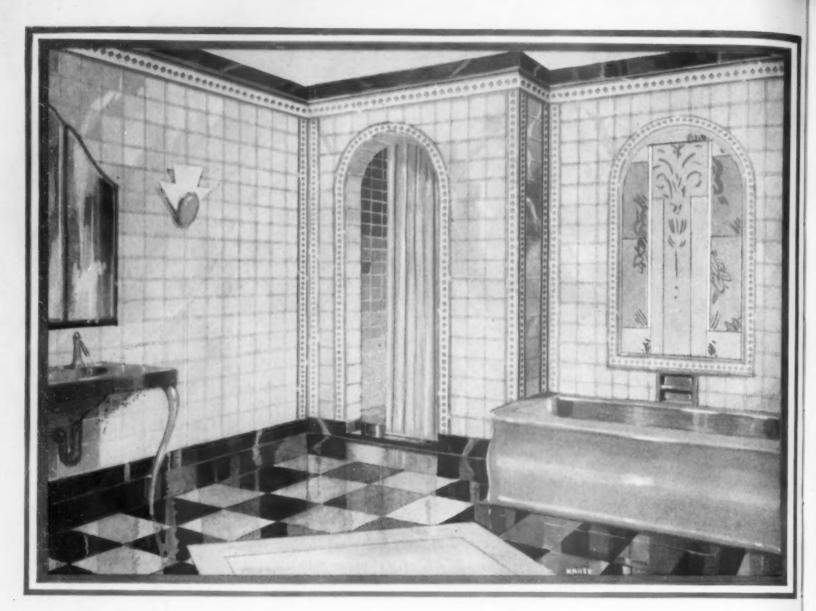
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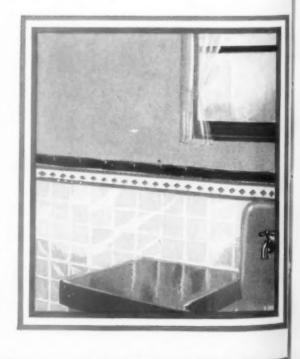
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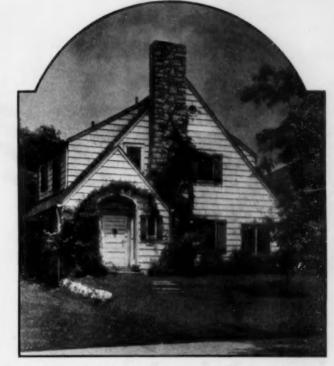
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Friendly and inviting is the residence of Mr. W. H. Courtney in Louisville, Kentucky (Photograph by Tebbs and Knell, Inc.)

THE AMERICAN HOME The Garden Harvest

IT IS now the ebb tide of summer, and harvest time approaches. In September comes the harvest moon. Already the grain is being garnered. In September, too, comes the harvest of the flowers. For those of us who live in northern latitudes, the first frost comes in September, cutting down the more tender of the garden blooms in the height of their luxuriance. A morning comes when the Nasturtium leaves are black, and Cosmos and Dahlias droop their heads. Let us gather the flowers while we may.

droop their heads. Let us gather the flowers while we may. Old-fashioned garden flowers—for generations they have surrounded our English and American homes with color and fragrance. They have, indeed, never gone out of fashion. They are part of the home tradition of our race.

Their very names have a reminiscent sound—reminiscent of childhood and grandmothers and sweet country dooryards: Crocus, Hyacinth, Tulip, Narcissus, Daffodil, Snowdrop, and all the gay heralds of spring; Hollyhock, Foxglove, Phlox, and Delphinium, standing so tall and sturdy.

The garden gentry—Rose, Peony, Iris, Gladiolus, Dahlia, and all the tribe of Lilies; little garden folk that love the ground—Candytuft, Portulaca, Forget-me-not, Mignonette, Sweet Alyssum.

Columbine, Bachelor-button, Cockscomb, Bleedingheart, Cosmos, Sweet William, Aster, Babysbreath, Canterbury-bell, Poppy, Stock, Marigold, Verbena, Garden Pink, Shasta Daisy, Zinnia, Four-o'clock, Pansy, Lily-of-the-valley—the list of favorites is endless.

The gay pageant marches past our windows from frost to frost. Hardly has the snow disappeared before the Crocus pushes its inquiring head above the ground, while the Hardy Chrysanthemum braves November's blasts.

They are good to live with, the flowers. They are good for the individual and for the race. Where there are flowers, there the milk of human kindness flows.

Let us go on making gardens and planting the oldfashioned flowers—more of them, more of them—that our drab lives may be brightened and sweetened with a touch of the divine.

And on that evening when north winds and a frosty tang in the air presage the doom of our delicate little friends, let us hasten out to gather a last bouquet, the final harvest of the garden.

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"I rather like this idea of a breakfast nook"

"WAS I right?"

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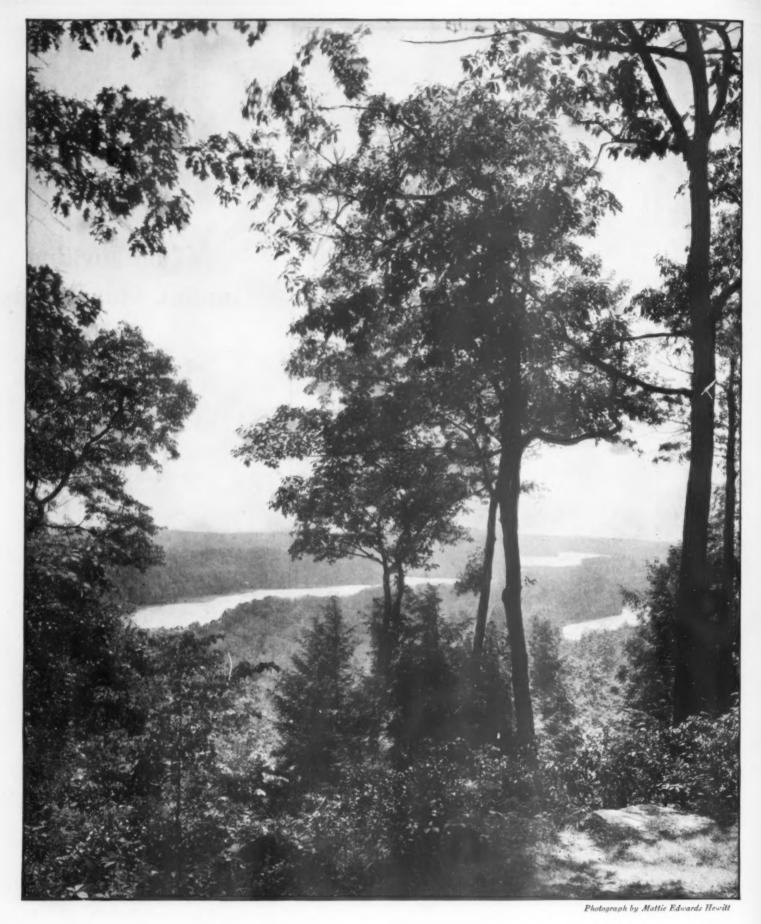
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THE CALL OF THE HILLS

The hills are never lovelier than in the first days of autumn, when Nature reaches one of her crossroads and pauses for a brief space to rest before plunging down the long road to winter. Then the

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A Colonial hunting lodge in Westchester

Roof Trees, a charming restoration that still retains in its remodelled plan the placid serenity of its remote youth

OWERED over by a trio of magnificent maples whose wide spreading branches, high flung above the low-pitched roof, have given it the name "Roof Trees" is an early American farmhouse that is perpetuating old tradition in a novel and delightful way.

For almost two centuries the house has stood beside the country road in the old community of North Salem, N. Y., and, during the entire period of its existence

has

HARRIET SISSON GILLESPIE

been in the possession of the Cable family, early settlers in this region. It was recently acquired by David Patterson and remodelled as a hunting lodge.

Mr. Patterson and his wife divide

their time between their country place in Virginia, noted for its string of thoroughbred hunters, and Roof Trees where, in the delightful informality of the Colonial environment, picturesque hunt breakfasts are often a feature.

When the Pattersons first espied the little old house, basking in the autumnal radiance of golden maples, the

dooryard grown over with goldenrod and purple asters, it had long stood unused. Neither could



The magnificent maples testify to the age of Roof Trees, the two-century old American farmhouse recently acquired by David Patterson of Virginia and New York and remodelled into a hunting lodge. White painted with blue-green shutters, its quaint beauty is further enhanced by the homely picket fence, which gives the final touch of old-time charm for which Charles S. Keefe's restorations are famous. So appealing is this little house in its restful simplicity that we based our cover for this month on it



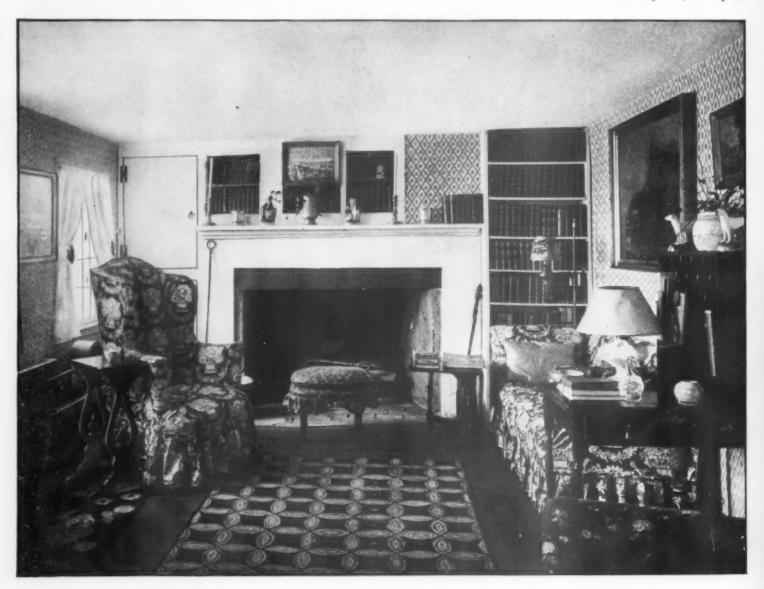
The pleasant Colonial character of the living room formed of the two old kitchens in Roof Trees has been retained and enhanced by the antiques gathered there. Much of the Colonial hardware was found intact. The two enormous fireplaces are fitted with the original bake-ovens and have a row of cupboards above

crowsfeet nor wrinkles wholly mar the placid charm of its simple lines nor hide the grace of its gleaming windows peering from weathered walls.

Fair and comely in garb of glistening white with blue green shutters and girded about by a quaint picket fence, today, it is as redolent of Colonial days as though but a small fraction of a twocentury span had passed over its head. The rejuvenation of Roof Trees was the inspiration of Charles S. Keefe, of New York, an architect whose happy restorations of the Colonial constitute a real contribution to American architecture.

M R. KEEFE'S peculiar success in this field lies in a certain quality of reserve or restraint, and this, in the remodeling of early American dwellings, is the keynote of good work. The new owner's only stipulations were to put the house in livable shape, to make adequate provision for the needs of the family, and to enable the owners to dispense the informal hospitality for which the lodge was in large measure designed.

After a comprehensive survey of the place, Mr. Keefe found it structurally sound. It was necessary to jack up the



foundations, add new siding and shutters, rebuild the original chimneys above the roof line and replace the entrance door of golden oak with one of six panels, typical of the period. The most important change in the appearance of the house was wrought by altering its distinctly New England character to conform more nearly to the Dutch Colonial style native to New York.

M R. KEEFE kept the original main lines of the house but brought the roof down low to enclose a porch and built on additions at the back to give it the right feeling and to provide an additional bedroom and kitchen. As a final touch of homeliness he added on a typical small woodshed at the end.

The difficulties most baffling to the architect in restoring the early American farmhouse lie in the very qualities that most endear the type to us. The curious little rooms tucked away in impossible places, the engaging diversity of floor levels and ceiling heights, and, above all, the naïve craftsmanship of the early builders with its inconsistencies are often a bar to success. The problem was so adroitly handled at Roof Trees as to destroy none of the Colonial flavor, but rather to preserve and enhance it.

THE OLD part of the house, entered from the porch, is built around a central chimney of native stone, measuring some nine feet square at the base. An ell with a new kitchen had been added on at a slightly later date. The stairway, customarily rising directly from the front entry in houses in the Connecticut Colony, was often varied, as in the Patterson house, to lead up out of the living room.

The living room, formed of two Colonial kitchens, has the pleasant character of the old-time "keeping room"





Two additions were built at the rear of the house to provide adequate livingquarters. The recessed portion between was ingeniously utilized as a breakfast porch

The chaste simplicity of the original entrance is apparent here. The door is new but is old in feeling. The sidelights were included in the original design. Both the lantern and hardware fittings are in the style of the period with enormous fireplaces, fitted with Colonial hardware, original bake-ovens, and a row of little cupboards above. The low ceiling, marked by a massive oak beam where once the partition stood, contributes largely to the intimate friendly atmosphere of the interior.

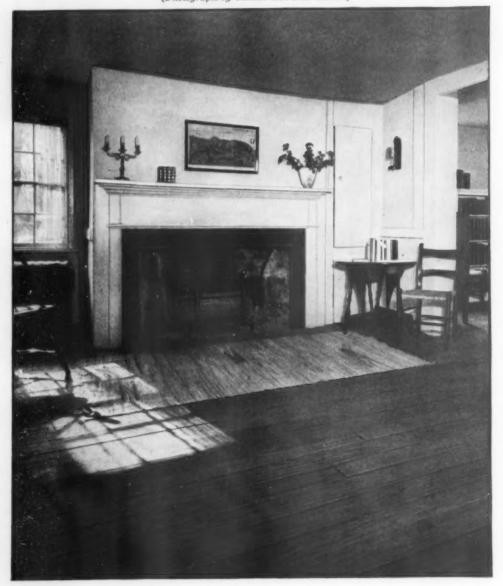
The walls, covered in Colonial paper in a pink lozenge pattern, the wide plank floor laid over with gay hooked rugs from Mrs. Patterson's varied collection, the tidy row of little windows across the front in frilly muslin dress, each framing a fair vista of blue Westchester hills, are all incomparably lovely details of the period.

An informal grace prevails in the decorative treatment of the room and invests it with an atmosphere of individual charm. Many interesting curios from foreign lands add a (*continued on page 698*)

Floor construction and Floorings



A good foundation and well-laid underflooring are necessary bases for smooth, handsome floors (Photograph by Mattie Edwards Hewitt)



Good materials and workmanship will save money and worry

GERALD LYNTON KAUFMAN

HE EXTERIOR of a home must be attractive in appearance and must withstand the ravages of time and the elements; the interior walls and ceilings must also be aesthetically pleasing and able to bear up under the assaults of moisture and steam heat; but no part of a house is more constantly before our eyes, more intimate in our daily life, and more subject to heavy usage and great wear than the floors of our rooms.

To most of us, the question of flooring has only one answer—it must be of hard wood, and it must be nicely stained and waxed. We are too likely to consider this a complete specification and are satisfied to leave any other little details to the builder. Let us examine some of these details before we build and see if we can afford to ignore them.

Taking up the subject of wood floors only, and leaving those of tile, concrete, brick, and stone for later consideration, we shall discover at the outset that the premier requisite for a satisfactory floor is a good foundation and a first-class underflooring. It is well known that a cheap floor on a well-laid base over heavy joists is far better than an elaborate and expensive parquet put down over inadequate beams and an uneven underfloor. Since joist sizes must vary with the span of the room and should be determined by the architect, no rule can be given here other than to be sure of the professional advice that is given.

PRESUPPOSING that our joists are correctly figured, we must next turn our attention to the underflooring. Nine times out of ten, this should be laid diagonally; five times out of ten, it is not, because laying it diagonally is more trouble—and no one will notice the difference until a few months after completion!

Underflooring must, of course, cross the joists, which run the short span of the room, and finished flooring should be laid to cross the underflooring and should run the long span of the room for the best wear and the (*continued on page 708*)

It is possible now to make new floors look like old and wear like new. This Colonial room has had specially treated floors laid to simulate old-fashioned random-width boards (Photograph by Harold Haliday Costain) p

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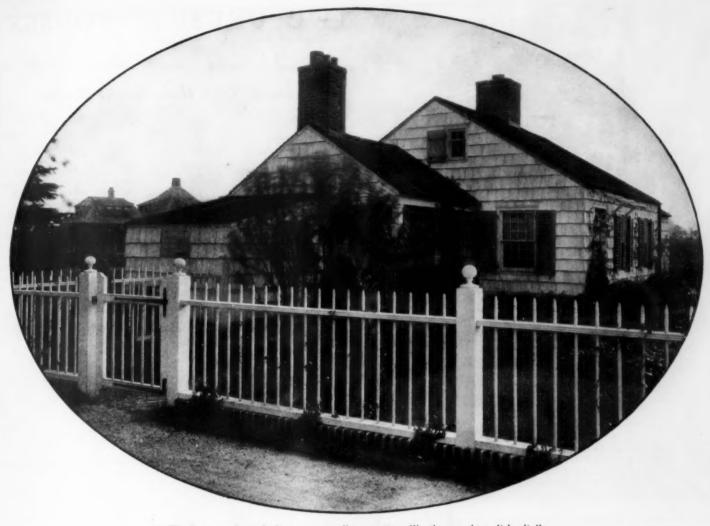
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Whether your home be large or a small cory cottage like the one above, it is vitally necessary to make certain that you have an unincumbered right to the use of the property (Photograph by Mattie Edwards Hewitt)

Facts to remember when buying property

If you would have your title clear, investigate it thoroughly

before you buy your home

F OR YEARS the Addisons had saved to buy their own home. They knew exactly what they wanted, and when they finally discovered a house which measured up to their ideal they quickly came to terms with the owner. Sitting at a table in what they thought would soon be their living room, they drew a contract for the sale of the house. It was the simplest possible contract:

"For \$12,500 Charles Smith agrees to sell his house and lot located at..... to Albert Addison. The deed is to be delivered on the first of June next."

But before the first of June, the house had burned to the ground. The Addisons were heartbroken.

Heartbroken as they may have been when they heard of the fire, they were actually dumbfounded when on June first the seller's agent appeared and said in effect: "Here's your deed. Where's

ALBERT W. FRIBOURG Member of New York Bar

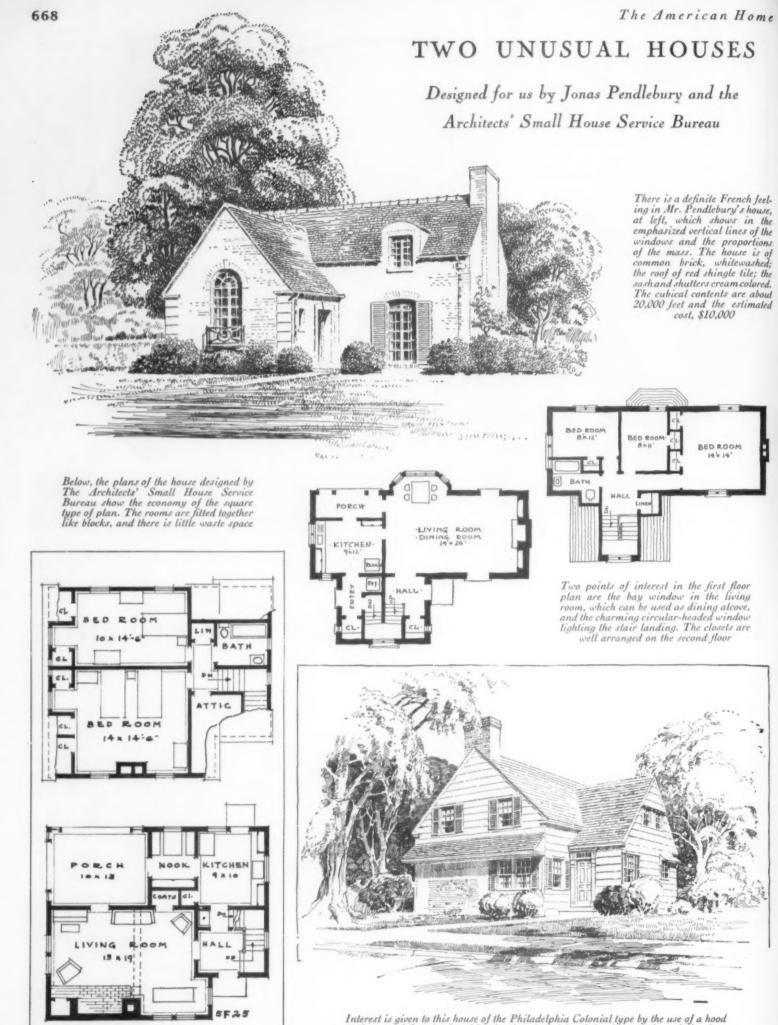
your certified check?" It was only after they had consulted a lawyer that they discovered that the seller could force them to take the land upon which the house had stood and compel them to pay the full purchase price.

It is the law in most states, that unless the parties expressly agree otherwise, the purchaser assumes the risk of loss by fire or the elements the moment he enters into a contract for the purchase of a house. The reasons for this rule are technical and historical. It runs directly contrary to popular conceptions, but nevertheless *it ir the law*.

However, its harsh effects can easily be avoided. See that your contract contains a clause placing the risk of accidental loss on the seller. Such a clause is ordinarily included in the contract and is found in practically every printed form. But, it is never safe to assume that it is there. See it and read it, before you sign the contract.

After the contract has been made, a month or more usually elapses before title is closed. During this period, the purchaser should investigate to make certain that he is getting an absolute and unincumbered right to the use of the property. Such an investigation cannot successfully be conducted by a layman. It should be entrusted either to a lawyer or to a title company. But although the purchaser does not himself make the "title search," he should know how it is made and what it means, so that he can act upon it intelligently.

To-day, recording statutes are almost universal. Deeds, (continued on page 700)



Interest is given to this house of the Philadelphia Colonial type by the use of a hood at the second floor level and by showing the bricks of the chimney through the clapboarded wall. The estimated cubage is 14,200 feet and the cost, \$7,500

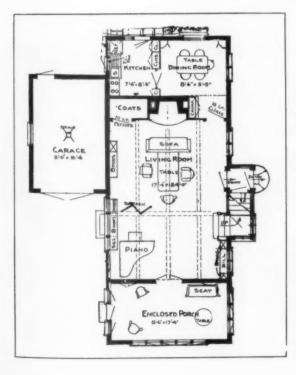
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A HOUSE IN THE ENGLISH MANOR STYLE

Designed for THE AMERICAN HOME by

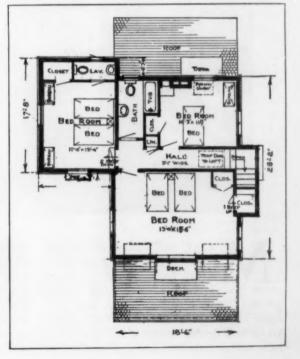
LAWRENCE VISSCHER BOYD



In this charming little dwelling the architect has kept closely to the design of the small manor house of Surrey, England, and has successfully adapted the English type of architecture to the American landscape

The long spacious living room, opening onto the enclosed porch, is one of the most delightful features of this house. The kitchen and dining alcove complete the first floor plan

Three good sized bedrooms, a bath, and extra lavatory provide ample space on the second floor. The cubage of the house is approximately 29,000 cubic feet, the estimated cost, \$16,000





This wallpaper takes the light from the window, tones it, and gives it back to the room in an enchanting metamorphosis (Photographs by Mattie Edwards Hewitt)

The witchery of wallpaper

Novel designs and colors to create new backgrounds and atmosphere in old rooms

A. LOUISE FILLEBROWN

There is a seeming swing to the bend of this hall partly because of the diagonal lines in the paper on the curved wall

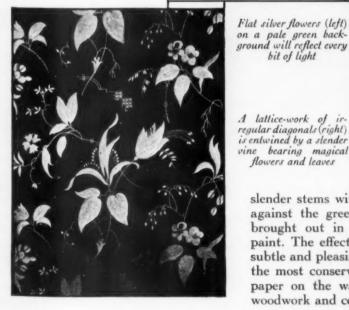
ORE and more decorators are beginning to depend on the background of their rooms to create atmosphere. By background I mean walls, floors, and ceilings. The convention of dark floors, light walls, and lighter ceiling is still good, but now we can begin to manipulate the formula to conform with the result we are trying to achieve. Eliminating the furniture of the room completely, we shall study this background question and see what can be accomplished with different materials. We shall assume that the furniture for our living room is simple, but of no particular color or period—comtortable chairs, a davenport, and a long refectory table. Using the same setting, we shall vary the background and look at the results.

Five types of papers have been selected, each with a decided personality that instantly creates its own atmosphere. They are not excessively expensive,

ranging from about sixty cents a roll to two fifty. If our room is the normal size, say twelve by fifteen feet, and the labor of hanging paper in our town is a dollar a roll, redecorating our walls and giving our room a new personality would cost from twenty-four dollars to fortyeight-not so much as the cost of a chair.

We should like the room to be cheery and original looking, of rather modern color and design, but not exciting nor restless. Among the new papers there are several we might choose, for we are not forced to consider the color of our other furnishings to any extent. The room is dark, low, and large. My first suggestion is a grayish taupe paper, light enough to make the room much brighter. Over the background is an irregular block of several shades of gray; to brighten it, there is an unusual group of lacquer red flowers rather delicately drawn and growing definitely upward so they almost form an irregular stripe, when they are on the wall. The lacquer red on light gray gives a cool red, if there can be such a thing, and it makes an interesting but not exciting background for ruffled red organdie curtains, large hooked rugs in the same red, gray, and black designs, and

Broken diagonals (right) in a Roman stripe travel in rising lines across this paper



natural parchment lamp shades with bands of red at top and bottom.

Now let us try an entirely different color scheme, using a paper in pale green. It is light enough to make our room restful, yet pleasant. Every bit of light is reflected from the flat silver design of large, open flowers four inches long, on

> This gray and red design, at the left, believe it or not, is cool

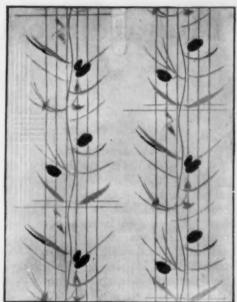
A vine-like pattern (right) in turquoise blue with long slender leaves and brown flowers reaches steadily upward to lend height to a low room



slender stems with long bending leaves, against the green background. All are brought out in a perfectly flat silver paint. The effect is modernistic, but so subtle and pleasing that it is welcome in the most conservative home. With this paper on the wall, I would paint the woodwork and ceiling the lightest shade

bit of light

ne bearing magical flowers and leaves



In this floral design (left), an interrupted plaid of many small lines ties the rose, lavender, and yellow blossoms

of green, use pale lemon-yellow curtains, crossing each other in deep curves and held back with tiebacks of silver metal leaves. A pale gray or a gray and green carpet would complete the picture. Of course, the light yellow should be used again in shades and cushions, and small pieces of pottery.

That's a rather feminine, frivolous living room, isn't it? Let us suppose our next choice is for the masculine owner. There is a trend toward diagonals that is pleasing for the constantly used room. The diagonal pattern does not dominate, yet its broken, rising lines give us a chance to use blending color and yet to keep the wall balanced and impersonal. Our choice is in shades of tan, light green, and gold. The diagonal is really formed by a series of small bands of blended color in a Roman stripe effect. There is one characteristic of this paper that is particularly interesting. It is covered with tiny horizontal lines of lacquer red and light green, broken and irregular but all traveling across the diagonal. They make

the wall seem very flat, cause the wallpaper to recede in a peculiar way, and the whole effect is inconspicuous and restful. This wall, however, is rather severe. With light tan woodwork, Oriental rugs, and a deep cream ceiling, it would need still further interest in the hangings. I would advise one of (continued on page 720)

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The architecture of the French provinces

Notes on the design and construction of the little farmhouses of France by the architect for The American Home

PAUL WINDOM

ANY consider the modest domestic architecture of the Cotswold Hills of Engbecause of sincerity, varied picturesque qualities, and true harmony with its own landscape setting. Unconsciously one senses in these cottages and farmhouses a respect for fundamental principles of good design, which probably was itself unconscious on the part of most of their builders.

There have already appeared in this series some notes on the Cotswold houses which, within their necessarily limited

scope, suggest the charm of the architectural qualities of these cottages and their adaptability to modern American plan demands.

It is inevitable, however, that something, at least, of the original character and quaintness of the Cotswold villages and lanes should have disappeared along with the sheep and wool trade which created them. Their accessibility from London, Oxford, and Stratford-on-Avon has made of them to-day a favored excursion for tourists or for week-ends, and there is noticeable an atmosphere of self-appreciation about some of these villages which, together with the too frequent signs of antique shops and tea rooms, seems to me to detract from their sincerity. In these energetic days of progress and easy communications this is to be expected and we are reminded of the fate of Concarneau, Martigue, Eze, and Porto-Fino, not to mention our own Gloucester or Cape Cod.

There exists a region of France, however, where may be found to-day a simple rural life and architecture that have preserved much of the ingenuous charm one associates with the Cotswolds of a century and a half ago. I hasten to add, however, that there are increasing indications that this cannot

be for long.

That forbidding range of mountains known as the Cevennes and familiar to the multitudes who, Mediterraneanbound from Paris, have looked out across the Rhone, explains the persistence in Auvergne and the Cantal of many old traditions in building, as well as in the life and customs of its people. To cross these mountains takes time, and that area bounded by Le Puy, Aurillac, and Clermont-Ferrand may not easily be reached and explored in haste. Railway facilities are limited as yet—and the roads are winding and steep, often impassable during the many winter months of snow and cold.

As always in regions left to their own resources for building materials, Auvergne has produced its own native architecture. Stone for its walls, oak



A farmhouse in Auvergne, photographed by Mr. Windom, which bears some resemblance to the house he designed for the American Home

and chestnut for its massive framing, and heavy boardings, straw, and slate for its roofs. Thus, in what constitutes the genesis of an architectural style we recognize how much in common these farmhouses of Auvergne must share with those of the Cotswolds. Here, also, we find the steeply pitched thatched roofs, the stone roof-slates and chimneys, and the narrow stone-walled lanes. In a general way the Auvergne house appears more roughly built, with less of finish and care in the masonry, but this seems to emphasize its effect of solidity. Its proportions and roof lines are quite as pleasing.

The wealth of Auvergne, especially in its southern part, is in its red and longhorned cattle, a hardy breed. With a climate too severe for the vineyard or for the orchards and gardens which lie, on one side, along the Rhone valley and, on the other, in the Limousin, it is a land of pastures. This is, of course, re-

flected in its farmhouses, which, except in in portant farm groups are planned for the housing of the cattle as well as their owners and are therefore largely barn. With the warmth and insulation provided by the cows and surrounding lofts of hay, these farmers are able to face the Auvergne winter with some equanimity. In addition, the immense fireplace and the snug alcoved beds complete the picture of protection. The house walls are mostly of rubble, often as much as three feet thick with corners of roughly squared stones. Among the older houses the gable coping is frequently of large flat stones, stepped up to provide easy means of reaching the roof for repairs.

The chin neys are of stone and are most often centered, as in the Cotswolds, on the ridges, or in the case of hipped roofs brought through the ridge or carried up from the house walls at the ends. The lintels are massive and sometimes show a crudely carved date or crest. The carved stone doorway of a free Renaissance style is rather unusual, and found only in the more important villages. Window shutters are typical and are either allowed to weather or are painted a dull green. Windows are

mostly small casements of three lights with heavy muntins. The thatched roof is, of course, disappearing. The slate or stone tile is taking its place, and it must be told that the corrugated cement sheet and the thin strip-shingle is now being introduced in the most progressive communities.

The salle commune, or general living room of the Auvergne (continued on page 730)

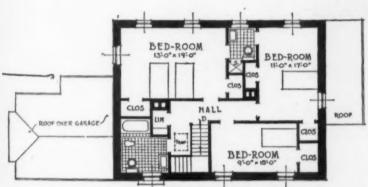
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It was indeed a difficult task to turn the built-in barns and lofts of the Auvergne farmhouse into an American dwelling. A comparison of this adaptation with its French prototype on the opposite page shows how well Mr. Windom has done this

THE FRENCH PROVINCIAL HOUSE IN AMERICA

Designed in France by PAUL WINDOM, Architect, especially for The American Home

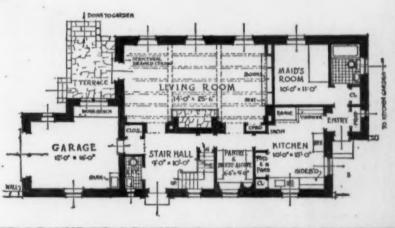


In the second floor plan (above) the bedrooms are of such size as to permit of the bed standing out in the room, thus doing away with one of the outstanding features of the French provincial house—the-builtin-the-wall bed. The bathroom, too, is modern

The first floor plan, at the right, has been carefully thought out and is strictly up-to-date and American, yet many of the details mentioned in Mr. Windom's story of the Auvergne house that he copied will be found in his adaptation



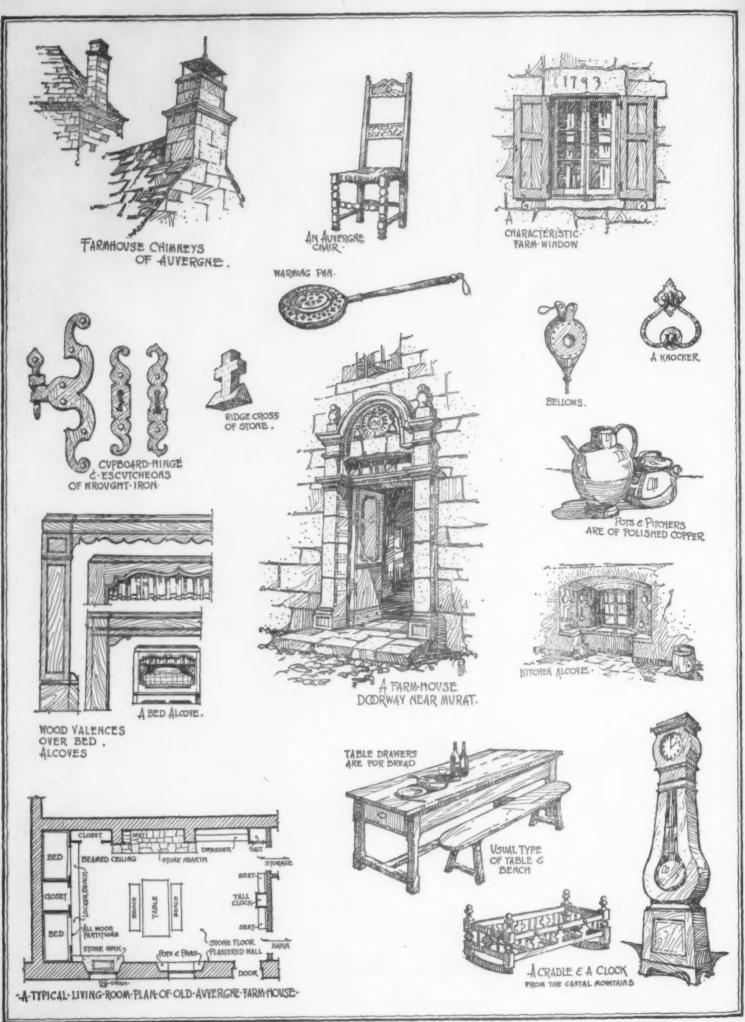
The one-time barn doors of the French house have been turned into doors for the garage in this wing of the house. The original designs of these has been closely followed as have the pigeon lofts above

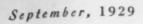


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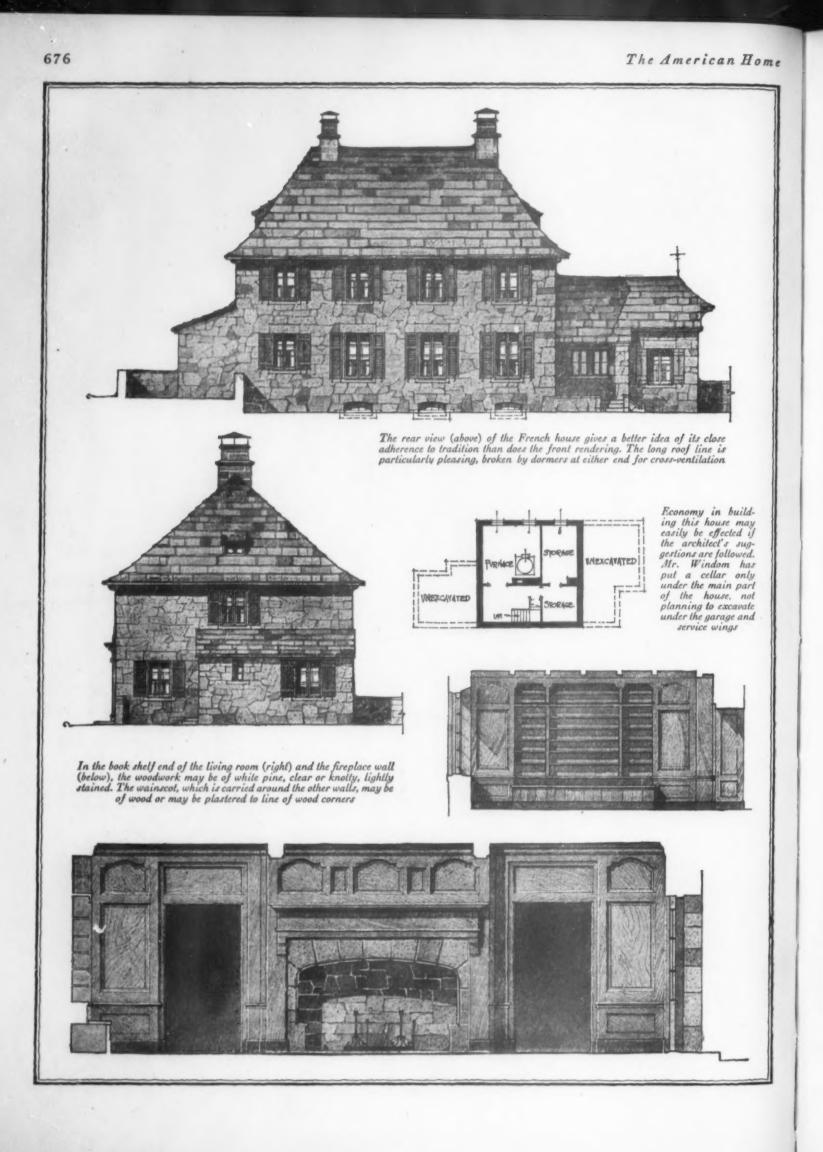


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Furniture of the French provinces

A livable type of decoration especially suited to American homes and to American home life

N ADDITION to all the other French styles of decoration, the styles of the Louis', the Directoire, the Empire, there is the French provincial. This begins fundamentally with Louis XV and, fundamentally, it ends there. In what is known as le siècle de Louis XV the French provinces, reasonably wellto-do, awoke to the joys of ornamented furniture, and a style was developed at that time which has never ceased (at least until the late nineteenth century) to charm the good French people. Sometimes they looked at Louis XVI pieces and sometimes they copied them, or worked in the ornamentations with Louis XV background, but no other style has ever really caught their fancy.

So we must believe that French provincial furniture is an expression in wood of the very soul of those French people whom we, like Napoleon, love so well. Not the aristocrats, nor the Parisians, but the thrifty, wine-drinking, song-making, solid citizens of the beauti-

HENRY HUMPHREY

ful French provinces. Like the furniture of every other rural people, the provincial pieces are honest as the day is long and built primarily for use. At the same time they have that fatal Gallic exuberance. They refuse to be straight like Windsors, or Hitchcocks, or the Umbrian chairs of Italy, or the frailer-

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os of Spain. They refuse to be heavy, or to be narrow; they remain always curving, graceful, commodious, as wide as a bibulous Frenchman.

The French pro-

The French provincial style and the American Colonial have much in common. Simplicity rules in both. But the curving lines of the Louis XV style, upon which provincial decoration is based vincial chairs are easily recognized. They are Louis XV in design—or Louis XVI with Louis XV ornamentation. But they have not the sophistication of the more formal Louis XV furniture. They are often nicely cushioned with loose cushions tied into the chair. The illustrations on page 675 show some of the most attractive types.

We have mentioned only chairs. The

other French pieces are more ornamental —and fewer. They are not so necessary in our modern scheme of things as chairs and tables. The armoires, (continued on page 740)

make it somewhat gayer and more exuberant than the American Colonial. It is, however, as the picture at the left will testify, based on truly rural antecedents



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The somber mattress becomes gay

A variety of modern fabrics in new designs replaces the staid and stolid tickings of grandmother's day

MARGARET HARMON

Photographs by courtesy of Simmons Co.

HE WIDESPREAD movement to beautify the home has penetrated well below the surface. The good ho is keeper of to-day is not satisfied unless she feels sure that the inside of her cupboards have attained a state of spotless perfection identical with the living room itself. The same urge to "follow through," makes her insist that her bed when stripped shall be as harmonious as when arrayed in the finest of linen.

The mattress of the moment has come a long way from the depressing standardized blue and white ticking of our grandmother's time. The change has been gradual. Blue and white ticking gave way to tan and white ticking, narrow stripes broadened and took on color. To-day the modern mattress may harmonize with the most tasteful room, and the box-

spring which insists on revealing itself between the sheet-covered mattress and the side of the bed, need feel no shame.

Improvement in the construction of the mattress was the forerunner of the change in its external appearance. After working conscientiously to perfect several different grades by radical alterations, the manufacturer looked about for a means to express forcibly just what he had accomplished. The same old blue and white ticking conveyed nothing

> Here an all-over pattern in rose and damask was chosen for a room that is French in character

whatever to the shopper. The mattress looked exactly the same as before. Persons, however wise, are influenced by appearance, and it was obvious that a signal alteration in the covering of the mattress would excite interest in its internal improvement. It was with this idea in mind, that some far-seeing manufacturers put stylists to work on the humble mattress. The coverings selected must be as durable as of old, but they must have sufficient novelty to be in keeping with other changes which have taken place in the home.

The success of this experiment is apparent to the casual shopper in the bedding department of any large store.



Formerly, the choosing of a mattress was a dull task indeed, something to be done as quickly and as seldom as possible. Drab colors and limited range of patterns provided poor distraction for the average woman. The modernized bedding department is an alluring invitation to linger, to study designs and then purchase better mattresses. Gay colors and patterns lend interest to the problem of harmonizing bedroom and bedding.

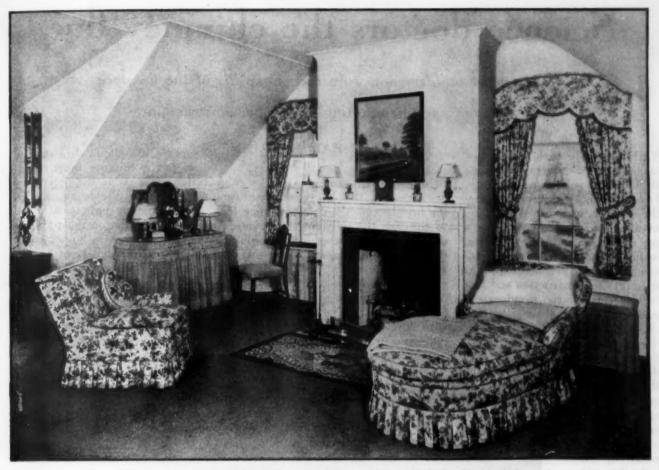
Even an old mattress renovated and clad in a new covering seems an acquisition. At one of the stores that is an earnest advocate of the modern mattress the story is told of a charming old lady who had just invested in a dainty bedroom set of painted metal. She had chosen a conservative design and was about to decide on the upholstery for her bedding.

The salesman indicated a pattern alternating narrow and wide stripes in beige and cream. The old lady brushed it aside with a quick impatient gesture.

"Oh no," she exclaimed, "I don't want any stripes to remind me of the n ttresses I've had all n. life. If I'm doing this room over, it's going to be new from the springs up. Show me some of that modernistic ticking in bright colors that you had on the bed in the window."(continued on page 722)

> Hangings and bedspreads were also in rose. Below: Detailof medallion and allover leaf patterns





Chintz furniture covers and hangings at the windows, a dressing table draped with dimity, and a hooked rug make this room gay and feminine (Photograph by Mattie Edwards Hewitt)

The practical bedroom for a young girl

A combination living and sleeping room where intimate friends may gather for a cozy afternoon

THERE is no better way of fostering the home-making instinct in a young girl than by giving her a room which she may call her own. Carelessness and untidiness in girls of the high school age indicate lack of pride in personal possessions. An attractive and tasteful bedroom inevitably receives care and attention.

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In some households, of course, it is impossible to give each daughter a room to herself, but whenever it can be arranged it is highly desirable. I have seen a little attic room, tucked under the eaves of an old house, made into such a fascinating place that its owner glowed with pride whenever she exhibited it. She deserted a large and elaborate room on the lower floor, that she shared with her sister, in favor of this quaint retreat that she could have all to herself. She furnished it almost entirely with her savings from Christmas and birthday presents and from a carefully hoarded

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Photographs and prices by coursesy of Lord & Taylor, Stern Bros., Ilearthstone Furniture Co., and Bloomingdale's

allowance, and the result delighted her and all her visitors.

Many young girls, however, have little feeling about possessions. They are not particularly interested in selecting their own furniture or in keeping their rooms in order. Usually when a girl of this type is given a charming and suitable room of her own, her latent home-making capabilities develop. At first, her surroundings compel an unwilling admiration, but a grudging care for the new acquisitions becomes involuntary after a while, and pride of ownership asserts itself. Indifference gives way to the desire to have her own room neat and clean.

There are many possibilities in outfitting a girl's room, even for a moderate sum. At the end of this article I have summarized three rooms which may be furnished for under two hundred dollars, exclusive of rugs, draperies, and bedspread. The total cost, consequently, assuming that all new furniture were purchased, could range anywhere from \$200 to \$300, provided the accessories purchased were in keeping with the actual furnishings.

It is, however, rarely necessary to refurnish completely. Usually one unearths tables which can be attractively repainted, rugs which can be dyed or rewoven, or an overstuffed chair which needs only a gay slip-cover to make it a thing of beauty. It is always wise to buy or make new draperies or curtains, as there is nothing which so transforms a room.

A set of furniture appeals to many people because it seems to represent the easiest way to furnish a room. There exists also the theory that a complete ready-made suite costs less than the aggregate of individual (continued on page 734)

Science doctors the chimney flue

Experienced builders now cure the smoke ills of the fireplace through careful planning and good construction

ELIZABETH HALLAM BOHN

The tangled complexity of our lives to-day, one corner of the home still holds its old time serenity. Around even the most ultramodern fireplace, the spirit is quieted. Worry and ambition alike are wafted away for a little time on dancing tongues of flame.

As the fire burns, we little appreciate the thought and experimenting that have gone into the construction and perfecting of its setting, the fireplace. In the days of craftsmen, only a gifted few among masons possessed the occult instinct for disposing of smoke in all weathers. But to-day behind both the remodelled Colonial hearth and the formal beauty of a newly built period fireplace lies the same scientific construction. Draft and smoke are controlled by ingenious mechanical devices and a

definite formula. Ashes disappear by magic through the floor. Even the wood box fills itself from the cellar. While retaining all its charm, the fireplace has taken to itself the efficiency of the twentieth century.

Among the first to lend practical talents toward utilizing more of the heat that was wont to roar up wide chimney throats were Benjamin Franklin and Count Rumford. Their simple discoveries are being carried further to-day by engineers, who are planning extensive research, in coöperation with a large university. Much is yet undiscovered about the vagaries of air currents. which determine the success or mediocrity of a chimney, they say. They deplore the wastefulness of the open fire -but they, too, yield to its universal lure and homelike appeal.

The old and expierienced chimney builder knows well that the draft, which feeds the life-giving oxygen to the flames, depends on the tightness, height, and area of the chimney flue. As the hot gases rise from the fire through the chimney, they tend to equalize the unbalanced pressure at the base of the flue which, according to the laws of physics, will persist as long as the fire burns. The result is draft. The greater the difference between the temperature in the flue and that outside, the better the draft. The summer fire burns with less fervor because of the lesser difference in temperature.

Friction against rough or projecting surfaces will prevent the easy passage of the smoke and gases up the flue. So the modern chimney is built around a smooth fireproof lining, which not only prevents disintegration of the bricks and mortar, but allows the draft full right of way. The chimney must extend at least three feet above the roof to pull the air through the fire below. Decorative colored chimney pots, exhaling an atmosphere of Paris or the provinces, lend a charming note to homes of appropriate types, when high trees or gables necessitate a greater chimney height to keep erratic air currents from eddying down the flues.

The specialist demands that the area of his chimney flue must be not only in the right proportion to the height of the chimney itself but also in definite relation to the size of the fireplace opening. He allots a separate flue to each fireplace. The ideal square or round flue, running straight up without a bend must be not less than one-tenth to one-twelfth the



When the winter wind is sharp and keen, and logs are piled high on the hearth, the cheerful blaze in this well-built fireplace will never smoke (Franklin P. Hammond, architect. Photograph by Harold Haliday Costain)

area of the fireplace opening. The sloping flue needs a greater allowance, as does the one of rectangular shape through which the whirling smoke passes less readily. And the wise mason will never slope his flue more than seven inches to the foot nor allow the long side of the rectangle to be more than four inches greater in length than its shorter side.

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The home-builder not inclined to mathematics will prefer to leave these calculations to the skill of an experienced builder. He is interested, however, in knowing that the old odorous fireplace can be brought to a state of enjoyable usefulness by raising up the hearth to reduce the aperture, or by the addition of a metal hood to keep the pungent smoke from creeping into the room. Recently we saw an eight inch strip of plate glass instead of a hood inserted in a fireplace in a handsome old Tudor hall. Through it the flames can (continued on page 716)

Modern skeletons in the closet

LEE McCANN

Illustrations by courtesy of the Murphy Door Bed Co. and Holmes Disappearing Bed Co.

HE skeleton in the modern closet is very friendly and moves on noiseless bevelled rollers instead of clanking its bones in the time-honored fashion. It is the genie of the double life that many homes and apartments live to-day, cleverly hiding their secrets behind the closed doors of closet, bookcase, or other unexpected places of concealment. When the truth comes out, as truth will always do, it becomes not the scandal of the neighbors but their envy.

The skeleton in the old-time closet meant dark doings on the part of one's ancestors; the skeleton in the modern closet means clever management on the part of one's contemporaries. For when a long head plans out cubic feet, space may double its usefulness and halve its cost, in the home, if not in geometry! Every room that is planned when a new home is built is estimated at over a thousand dollars in construction. And here the skeleton enters the closet.

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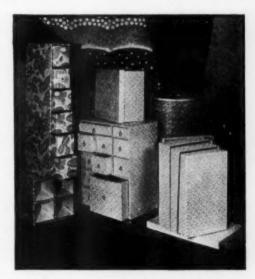
The largest piece of furniture in the home, barring a grand piano, is a bed. Necessary as it is by night, it is entirely superfluous by day, except during illness. It seems unreasonable, therefore, when space is at a premium, to allow this article of furniture to usurp so much needed room, if there is a way to avoid it.

It seems strange that it should have been the West with its great open spaces instead of the East with its limited quarters, which invented the disappearing bed. For years magical tales have come out of California, beautifully embroidered to make the telling more dramatic, of beds that materialized out of the wall, from under the table, down from the ceiling or back of the writing desk. Now the entire country is finding out what the possibilities and advantages of the concealed bed are.

Its GREAT advantage is that it requires a minimum floor space and materially adds to household efficiency. A concealed bed, be it said for the information of the timorous who may cherish memories of the dangers of the old-time folding bed, could not fold if it wanted to. It is not built that way. A concealed bed "upends," with no change of its structure, enabling it to be rolled into a closet as shallow as eighteen inches.
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The newest types operate on a pivot, which swings them in and out. So smoothly is this mechanism geared that it responds to a touch. No effort is required to up-end it, let it down, or twirl it about. There are all sorts of technical reasons for this with much learned talk about ball bearings and such, but the non-technical will prefer to test the mechanism for themselves. It is a delight to find how easily it swings.

The concealed bed permits floors to be cared for much more easily. With it, there is no bending over and peering under, with strain on the back and the



Furnishings for the modern closet come in many happy designs and are paper-covered, chintz-covered, or of wood. Boxes and drawers are nested or pyramided to conserve space (Courtesy of Gimbel Bros., Inc. Photograph by Dana Merrill)

disposition, in the attempt to get out the dust that accumulates on carpet and floor beneath the stationary bed. It is also much easier to keep the bed itself immaculate and free from dust, because when it is up-ended the springs and the underneath part of it may be cleaned in a manner that is impossible when the bed is down.

THE BIG thing, however, is the way in which one room is made to serve as two rooms. The capacity for accommodation in house or apartment is practically doubled through installing concealed beds. A living room is changed into a sleeping room and back again in the twinkling of an eye. Or a sleeping room becomes a sewing room, a den, or a play room for the children. These beds are also ideal for sleeping porches, because they can be wheeled indoors out of the way during the day, and, if there is no sleeping porch, they can be trundled close to the windows on hot summer nights.

There are a number of types of installation. If one is building, the architect can best plan the space and arrangement. But there is also a special engineering service maintained by the manufacturers of these beds, which will furnish all manner of reliable blue prints and advice gratis. (Continued on page 724)

Bringing your heating plant up to date

Thermostatic heat control is a modern health principle and automatic stoking a modern labor-saving device

E BECOME so used to the common methods of heating homes by steam, hot water, or warm air, that we do not realize that they have many defects which are constantly being remedied. Appliances are put on the market that make existing equipment obsolete in terms of real comfort. New principles are applied that should be incorporated into any new in-

stallations. A few of the more important developments of recent years are discussed here for the benefit of those who are trying to keep their homes up-tothe-minute.

Certainly one of the most outstanding changes is the widely accepted principle that all heating systems in the home should be controlled automatically. For many years, now, the harmful effect upon the health of overheating in the winter has been known. When the tempera-

ture in the house goes above 70 degrees, the drop in bodily efficiency is very marked. Also when one steps from a house, warmed to 80 and 85 degrees, into wintry air, there is real danger of catching a cold, since the blood vessels in the lining of the nose become anaemic and ripe for the invasion of bacteria.

You do not have to go far to find a steam-heated house that is, on the average winter day, very hot and stuffy. Perhaps your own home is. The ordinary steam plant tends to overheat the house, making the temperature run up to 80 degrees in the milder days of winter. because the radiators were designed to keep the rooms at 70 degrees when the outside is zero. When you realize that the heating plant gives out just as much heat as is needed under these extreme cold conditions, you can understand why it is that, when the thermometer hovers around 30 and 40 degrees outdoors, the house becomes too hot inside.

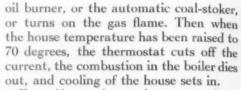
If you are working or reading you may not realize how uncomfortably hot

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it has become until you are seized with a headache, or someone comes in from outdoors and exclaims, "It's terribly hot in here! Why don't you open a window?' Thereupon is enacted the old play: a window is opened, cold drafts rush across the floor, one of the children sneezes,

and Grandma com-plains of cold feet. Down go the windows again. Radiators are turned off and you go back to work. In about half an hour Grandpa will be seen sneaking around, turning on the valves of the radiators. It is much easier to let it get too hot than to go through this performance all of the time.

That is why no heating plant to-day is really complete without a thermostat. which automatically

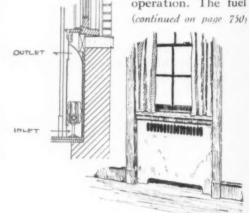


Even if you do not have one of the automatic firing devices, like an oil burner, the thermostat can be made to control the temperature of the house fairly well. The dampers, which check or stimulate the fire, can be operated by it. Generally speaking it is found to be more satisfactory with hot-water or warm-air heating than with a steam plant, since the former can be made to distribute mild heat during the warmer winter days, but the latter is not so flexible.

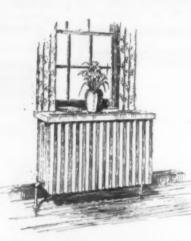
THE improvements which have taken place in thermostatic control in recent years mark real progress in good heating of the home. Certainly any heating plant which is not equipped with some type of automatic control is very much out of date. It is a simple matter to get one installed before the cold weather sets in at a cost of \$150 or less.

We have now reached that period when we can sav that the old method of stoking a furnace by hand all winter is decidedly out of date, for there is now on the market a fuel-feeding machine to fit every pocketbook. Beginning at the lowest priced, we have the boiler equipped with a magazine that feeds buckwheat coal to a slanting grate as it is burned away. This is known as the magazine feed

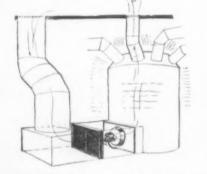
> type, and it is entirely automatic in operation. The fuel



Radiators with brass or copper fins. which greatly increase the efficiency, are easily hidden in the walls (Courtesy of Rome Brass Radiator Corp.)



Air does not circulate around this Air does not circulate around this type of radiator; the heat radiates directly into the room, thus making the floor of the room as warm as the ceiling (Courtesy of Campbell Metat Window Corp. and American Radi-alor Co.)



Warm-air heating is regaining in popu-larity due to several improvements, such as a screen filter to keep out dust and a fan to drive the hot air into cold portions of the house

regulates the temperature and keeps the house warmed to 70 degrees and does not let it get hotter. With the now common oil burners, gas-fired boilers, and automatic electric coal-stokers, the thermostat can be made the complete master of the temperature inside of the house, if it is located in some central position. As the temperature drops below 68 degrees, this sensitive instrument switches on the electricity to operate the motor of the





A pressure cooker kettle is strongly constructed, and tightly sealed; no steam can escape. A pressure of from five to fifteen pounds is developed

Standard measuring cups are essential to proper proportions. A charming nest of glass bowls is immune from sudden changes of temperature. A jelly bag on a rack is more convenient than make-shift methods. The basket is used for holding fruit and vegetables when blanching

Long handled wooden spoons neither get hot nor fall into the jam. Measuring spoons are essential. The corn raking device is simple and useful. The small parer has a stainless handle. Paring knives should have thin tapering blades. The jelly thermometer is most useful. Use a ladle for filling jars. Have a knife sharpener. Large sharp scissors are useful in culting beans. For opening cans, this device is adjustable to any size.

Courtesy of Hammacher, Schlemmer & Co., Ball Brothers, Hazel Atlas Glass Company, Kerr Glass M/g. Co., Atlantic Col-Pac Canner, National Steam Pressure Cooker, Research Kitchen, American Stove Company, Hamblin & Russell M/g. Co.



Water bath canners may be had in either round or oblong shapes and are in retinned or enamelled ware. This one holds six jars

If you have not a water bath canner or pressure cooker, these folding racks are very useful for lifting jars in and out of the hot water bath. The targe rack holds eight jars. Note the individual folding racks; also the jar lifter, which can be used on any size of jar



Photographs by F. M. Demarest

Choosing fences that are fitting

Inclosures that serve the two-fold purpose of adding beauty to the house and protecting property

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THAS taken the sophisticated judgment of landscape designers and architects to show us that fences may be beautiful. So many kinds of fences may be bought ready-made or adapted from the attractive stock designs of fence manufacturers that few people consider it worth while to build their own. The home owner's problem, then, and that of his architect becomes one of choice.

To the thoughtful architect the planning of a fence is part of the job of designing a home. It is an important embellishment, which he cannot afford to pass over. It enhances the property, lending spaciousness, even though it may stand only a few feet away from the house itself. The grounds are made beautiful by its addition. With country homes, fencing may often become an integral part of the design of the house,

balancing a wing or carrying out the line of a sloping roof or gable.

In city homes, there is often just a few feet of space separating the house line from the actual edge of the property. Once this was left to bleak pavingstones. Now the builders of apartment houses and of private homes have shown us how to use this small bit of space to add dignity to the façade of the house. This may be done by the simple addition of an iron grille fence, possibly backed by a hedge of height convenient to protect the first floor windows from the gaze of the curious. Or, if shrubbery is not practical even a low rail piping fence will give the home some privacy.

City back yards, with their paved walks and clothes lines, relieved only by a pathetic geranium or the bush that is too hardy to be beautiful, are bleak things at best. Unless one makes some effort to better them, they merely emphasize the depths of their place in the city canyon. An attractive improvement upon the old-fashioned backyard may be achieved by the simple introduction of lattice or rustic fencing.

Builders of lattice work may have had in mind the problem of enlarging the too-apparent smallness of most yards. Lattice cleverly fashioned into a design in false perspective may give the impression of archways leading from the garden through vast arbored lanes. Only the skeptical investigator will discover that the effect is produced by nothing more spacious than a stage scenic artist's device, and that the "arbored lane" occupies only a half inch or so of actual depth. Thus fences and their embellishments may be used (continued on page 710,



A grille fence, in addition to its decorative value, has stability and strength that make it highly suitable to confine the boundaries of a plot (Photograph by Mattie Edwards Hewitt)

Growing shrubs for cut flowers

A veritable godsend to the busy man, they will endure neglect yet increase in beauty with the years

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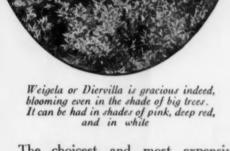
HEN the fall planting season opens, we really ought to do more than just plant bulbs for spring bloom and set out shrubbery for border and screen. For the shrubs themselves have a range and wealth of bloom that might as well be given some real thought from the cut flower point of view. There is room to grow some shrubs other than Roses in almost any garden with a view solely to the flower crop.

Shrubs can be made to lend to the home something more than a setting. Sprays from the flowering species placed in our vases add to the best appointed room new notes of charm and atmosphere. So by taking stock in September of our shrubbery needs, we shall be ready after the leaves have fallen and the wood becomes mature for transplanting, to execute the plans we have worked out.

Roses as flowering shrubs. Why not indeed? And among these single "briers," hugonis with yellow flowers, and ecae with large red prickles are beaulies







The choicest and most expensive shrubs are not needed for this purpose, but rather the so-called commoner shrubs and small trees whose rapid growth will quickly recover and, in fact, benefit from being cut.

It is fascinating to work out a seasonal succession of pink, yellow, or white flowering shrubs. Let us first take pink, since we can never have enough of this color. Of those that flower before the leaves, there appears sometimes as early as February, Daphne mezereum, whose flowers of cool, vivid pink are followed by red berries.

The new Prunus tomentosa has tiny, pale pink blossoms all up and down its picturesquely irregular twigs, these likewise followed by conspicuous red fruits. The Cydonia, or Flowering Quince, varies from dark red, and the familiar scarlet of the type, to coral, apple-blossom pink, and cream color of the various forms.

In May we can have the Flowering Almond, and the Double-flowering Plum (Prunus triloba), many kinds of Flowering Crabs, and the feathery sprays of the early Tamarix (T. africana.) We must cut the big pink Magnolia soulangeana with discretion, as it grows slowly, and we would not wish to ruin the tree. Likewise, most Azaleas, Rhododendrons, and Laurel are usually too precious to cut in any appreciable quantities.

We must have a care in cutting Lilacs, as next year's flowering buds are formed at the tips of this year's wood. Some of the pinkest of the (continued on page 752)



In the garden of Mrs. E. Mortimer Barnes, Glenhead, L. I., (Mrs. Annetle Hoyt Flanders, Landscape Architect) the borders have a diferent interest with the different seasons (Photograph by R. Warrender)

Hidden qualities of a good garden

It's the little details that count big in the complete effect

ANY of us take too much for granted when we feast our eyes upon the beauties of a garden. Few there are who stop to think how much studied planning and thoughtful care is expressed in the symphonies of color that nature so lavishly offers. Kipling wrote, "... such gardens are not made by saying, 'Oh, how beautiful!' and sitting in the shade."

If we peek behind the screen into the work-a-day garden, we shall learn many

ROMAINE B. WARE

of the secrets that n.ake for the successful finished product. It is the complete garden for which we are working; the details are important only insofar as they help to make the picture complete. Some gardens, like Topsy, just grew, straggling all over a plot without any plan. If you look for the hidden qualities in any really good garden, you will find that certain general rules are followed in making it. It has a definite plan. There are certain principles that must be kept in mind in the general lay-out of the place.

One of the first rules is to plant to the outer edges and keep the center open. avoiding isolated specimens, no matter how beautiful they may be in them selves. The home garden is not a display yard to exhibit trees and shrubs. Trees may be planted where they will shade some particular spot, but the tree in a small garden should work in (continued on page 776)

Home grown fragrant Violets

Plant in coldframe now and pick blooms in midwinter

NELSON COON

HERE is the woman who does not love fragrant Violets? And where is the gardener who has not at some time craved the opportunity to have these perfumed aristocrats growing right in his own garden? Violets from the flower shop are all right, but how much better to be able to open the coldframe on a sunny day in midwinter and pick your own!

It is not so hard to accomplish this. To grow Violets does not necessitate expensive conservatories and heating plants, for these are anathema to the delicate, moisture-loving, cool-growing Violet. There are, indeed, strict limitations to Violet culture. Violets will not grow in a pot in an ordinary dwelling, and they must be given some sheltered spot in the garden.

It must be remembered that we are considering now only the true fragrant Violet, Viola odorata, and not any of the many other classes of strictly hardy, odorless, native wood Violets that are so useful in naturalistic gardens. It is true with many families of flowers that whenever we get the finer, highly bred plants, some of the hardiness is lost; and Violets are no exception.

There are, however, just two sorts of the fragrant Violets that are good without protection, the Russian Single and the Russian Double. The latter is a fine, double flower, rich in color and nicely perfumed, but with short stems and small flowers.

For big flowers and true beauty we must come, then, to the half-hardy sorts that are used for commercial Violet culture, and for real success with them a coldframe should be used. If you prefer the Single varieties, there are a number to choose from depending on what you want. Here are a few of them:

Mrs. David Lloyd-George — New; large flowers with pronounced golden center, long stems, fragrant.

Princess of Wales—Parent of Mrs. David Lloyd-George. For many years the standard Single commercial Violet.

Governor Herrick-Small, rich purple flowers, very prolific.

Frey's Fragrant—A new variety originating in the West, with large, richly colored flowers, very prolific, but, belying tits name, is not very fragrant. Glossy foliage. Princess of Wales (above) long the favorite among Singles for the cut flower market. Singles are perhaps easier to grow than doubles

For those who want the lovely double Violets, which generally last much better as cut flowers, there are a number of varieties in differing colors. The leader among these is easily Marie Louise, of fine deep mauve color. It is richly fragrant, a good grower, and prolific. Its foliage is dark. Lady Hume Campbell is a light mauve, very free flowering. Swanley White is a true double white Violet, but is not recommended to

Mrs. David Lloyd-George. the new "double-single" flower 13 inches across. The center is gold and lavender against a rich violet background

the inexperienced. There are others, both new and old in a variety of shades of mauve and pink. But after all, who wants anything but a violet Violet?

The latest variety of the fragrant Violet called Princess Mary was shown for the first time at the spring flower shows last year. It is best described as a Double-Single, being strictly double and yet with all the other characteristics of its parent, Princess of (continued on page 782)



Uniformity of blooms is a real asset in this display basket of Nell Gwyn, a true Decorative type of Dahlia

Catching the judge's eye

Particularly as applied to the proper preparation and arrangement of Dahlias for exhibition

AMA, did you win the Dahlia prize?" "No, dear. Mrs. J. beat me, but I don't understand why. We'll try again next week at X."

This reply, after one Dahlia enthusiast's first attempt to capture a prize in the local Dahlia show, contained the sportsman's perennial enthusiasm to try again, but at the same time betrayed the tendency of all first-time Dahlia exhibitors to condemn the decision of the judges as unjust. Exhibiting in flower shows is becoming a nation-wide sport. In most of the fall flower shows just ahead, the Dahlia will be the dominant flower. The chances are that you will either see some of these shows, or better still, that you will exhibit.

By the first of September you will know whether your Dahlia growing is a success. It is too late now to tell you how to grow Dahlias for this year; but it is not too late to offer suggestions as to how to exhibit to the best advantage.

To the casual visitor, the winning of prizes seems to be a simple matter, but

DERRILL W. HART

you who have exhibited know that this is not true, particularly if you have found just before the judges came around for the official inspection that your prized bloom had "gone back" on you and wilted right in the face of the judges, so to speak.

THE BEST time to cut a Dahlia bloom for exhibition is just when it reaches what the Dahlia growers call "maturity." Varieties differ in this respect, but very few varieties will bloom out if they are cut ahead of maturity, as some other flowers will do—the Peony, for example. When the back petals or rays show the first signs of drying, a Dahlia bloom has reached maturity. These petals can be plucked out, and the bloom will keep two or three days in perfect condition.

Cut your blooms the night before the show and put them in the cellar in cold water immediately. If you have no cellar, put them in a cool closet, but by all means keep them out of the ice box. The sudden change from ice-box temperature to warm air, the next day, is dangerous.

Handle the blooms very carefully in getting them to the show and onto the exhibition tables. Practically all Dahlia judges have a pernicious way of finding every bruised petal, and many times a choice exhibit loses just because the exhibitor turned the corner too fast in driving to the show, or because of carelessness in cutting and handling the bloom. Obtain a large florist's box to carry your blooms to the show. If you cannot get such a box, have some one carry them in hand on the way to the show room. Make sure that the box is deep enough so that the top will not crush down on the blooms. Pack them into the box face up and close together, so that they will not shift around and bruise themselves.

Read your premium list carefully before you cut your blooms, and then you will know the classes in which you have the best opportunity to win. t

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But do not show just for the sake of winning prizes. The (continued on page 784)

Why doesn't that tree bear fruit?

Maybe its simply a question of planting a companion tree

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I NAPRIL we feel that a fruit tree in full bloom, completely justifies its existence from an aesthetic viewpoint. By September, however, we have forgotten the favors of spring and are inclined to find the tree which bloomed and yet produces no fruit rather more unaccommodating than if it had never flowered at all.

Friends and neighbors are ready with favorite remedies for such delinquents. "Drive nails around the trunk" is the advice of one; another insists that the only possible cure is to "dig about the roots." Another would not stoop to such old-fashioned methods. He would administer an application of iron filings or better still a liberal shaking of salt. The man who has recently consulted a specialist advises a hive of bees or the desirability of a companion tree.

The chief offenders among trees that bloom yet fail to bear fruit are those growing in town and city gardens as isolated individuals, because several kinds of fruit will not produce satisfactory yields unless the flowers are visited by bees and other insects carrying pollen from another variety of the same kind of fruit.

PEACHES (with the exception of two or three varieties, of which J. H. Hale is the best known) are self-fertile and will set fruit without the presence of bees or foreign pollen. Apricots, Sour Cherries, varieties of Plums, and Quinces also give satisfactory yields without being cross pollinated. On the other hand most varieties of Sweet Cherries, Pears, and Apples and a number of varieties of Plums require cross pollination for an abundant harvest. No one should expect trees of the Windsor Sweet Cherry, the Burbank Plum, the Bartlett Pear, or the Delicious and Stayman Winesap Apples to be full of fruits if insects have not brought pollen of other varieties to their flowers.

Unfortunately, however, there are a number of varieties of fruit the pollen of which is itself defective. The J. H. Hale Peach, the May Duke Cherry, and the Baldwin and Stayman Winesap Apples are the most common examples. When two varieties are planted together.

The isolated fruit tree in town or suburban garden is often sterile because it needs pollen from another variety. Plant a companion tree this fall

one of which has defective pollen, pollen from a third variety is necessary.

CERTAIN varieties of Sweet Cherries and Plums with pollen that germinates normally are not of value in cross pollinating certain other varieties. Napoleon, Bing, and Lambert Sweet Cherries planted together are an unfruitful combination. Each variety is effective with other varieties outside this group. To make this combination fruitful an additional variety such as Black Tartarian is required.

There are many varieties of each of the

various fruits that have germinable pollen, effective for cross pollination. The Windsor and Black Tartarian Sweet Cherries, the Bartlett, Bosc, and Duchess Pears, the German Prune, and the Delicious, Jonathan, and Northern Spy Apples are common examples.

To make the unfruitful tree bear, the obvious thing to do is to plant a companion tree this fall.

Another method is to graft or bud into the limb of the tree to be pollinated another variety of the same kind of fruit. Before this is done, definite information should be obtained (continued on page 786)

Enter now the weedless lawn

Starting Bent from cuttings in early fall and keeping up soil acidity while feeding are the cues

HARRY M. ZIEGLER

Given an abundance of water, plenty

of sunlight, and high temperatures,

Crabgrass will often gain the upper hand

on a Bluegrass lawn within a week or

two. As most weeds are annuals, the

first heavy frost kills them if they have not already matured, borne seed, and

died. This not only results in many bare

spots, but also means that the lawn is

ANY REAL success with your lawn depends on how well you can control the weeds infesting it. We soon realize that Nature abhors bare places and covers them with weeds. If a bare spot appears in the lawn, she generally covers it, much to our sorrow, with such pests as Dandelion, Crabgrass, Chickweed, and Plantain.

Because most soils contain many thousands of weed seeds, every single one of which is waiting patiently for a chance to grow, the grass and the weeds on every lawn are engaged in a battle for control. No quarter is asked, and none is given. The struggle continues until one

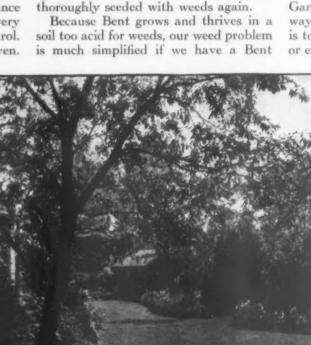
or the other has been vanquished. If the lawn is to be free of weeds, we are compelled to furnish the young weeds with so much competition that they will be starved to death. How? By establishing such a thick, vigorously growing stand of grass that they cannot get enough food and sunlight to live, or by creating in the soil an acid condition that is too acid for them to grow in.

IF WE have a Bluegrass lawn, we shall be compelled to starve the weeds with a vigorous growth of grass, because Bluegrass cannot live in a soil too acid for weeds. If we have a Bent lawn, we can increase the acidity of the soil to a point where weeds cannot live, because Bent will grow and thrive in a soil too acid for weeds.

Bluegrass, under natural conditions, will seed itself and maintain a stand of grass permanently, but, under our more or less artificial city conditions, it lives only three to six years. This means fifteen to thirty percent of the plants die every year. Hence, if our lawn is not

seeded every year with enough seed to replace the dead plants, it is only a year or two until we have many bare spots, which Nature covers with weeds.

If the Bluegrass lawn is badly infested with weeds, the best and quickest way to establish a good turf is to remove all the grass and weeds and to start a new lawn. If only slightly sprinkled with weeds, we can pull, cut, or dig out the weeds, and seed the bare spots. If our lawn is badly infested with Dandelions, it would not be practical to dig out the plants, stalk and root, but we can eradicate them with an iron sulphate spray.



Keeping weeds out is really a question of keeping the grass in by adequate seeding, feeding, and constant attention (Photograph by Richard Averill Smith)

lawn. With a Bent lawn we can increase the acidity of our soil with acid-base fertilizers to a point where weeds cannot grow. An acid-base fertilizer is one that leaves a residue in the soil that turns it acid. Ammonium sulphate is a good acid-base fertilizer and is most commonly used to increase the acidity of the soil.

With the unit of measurement used to determine soil acidity, neutral soil neither acid or alkaline—is six and seventenths. When soil tests higher than this, it is alkaline; when lower, acid. Weeds generally disappear when soil tests fiveone and seven-tenths below neutral. Soil can be made too acid for the growth of weeds in from eighteen months to two to three years, depending on how alkaline the soil was when the transformation was begun and the amount of calcium in the soil.

If a Bent lawn is badly infested with weeds, it is generally an indication it was not started properly or is badly in need of plant food. A starving lawn is a Garden of Eden for weeds. A satisfactory way to eradicate weeds in a Bent lawn is to pull or cut them out in late August or early September, and on the first cool

> day following to apply a fertilizer composed of ammonium sulphate, acid phosphate, and potash, at the rate of two pounds to one hundred square feet of surface area. This plant food will enable the Bent to make a good growth during the fall before cold weather begins and will start it off with a rush early the next spring.

> B LUEGRASS can be sown at the rate of one pound to every one hundred and fifty square feet of surface. Bent can be sown at the rate of three pounds of seed or three bushels of stolons (the chopped up plants of Creeping Bent) to every thousand square feet. Some of us may obtain good results with a smaller amount of seed or stolons than this, but it is a better plan, if we want a quick growth, to sow too much than too little.

> If you want to grow a satisfactory Bent lawn within a reasonable length of time, it will be better to grow the lawn from stolons of a good strain of a good variety of Creeping Bent rather than to try to grow it from seed. It seems as if it would be cheaper

to grow from seed, and the first cost is less, but after you have done the reseeding made necessary by a poor or uneven stand, winter killing, and weeds, and have paid for hand-weeding your yard several times to give the young Bent a chance, the ultimate cost is about the same. You can generally grow a satisfactory Bent lawn in less time with Creeping Bent stolons than you can with seed.

There are several kinds of Creeping Bent on the market, but the Washington Bent is perhaps the most popular, with Metropolitan next. (*Continued on page 786*) po ep Or tap tiq col ber gro Goo loo

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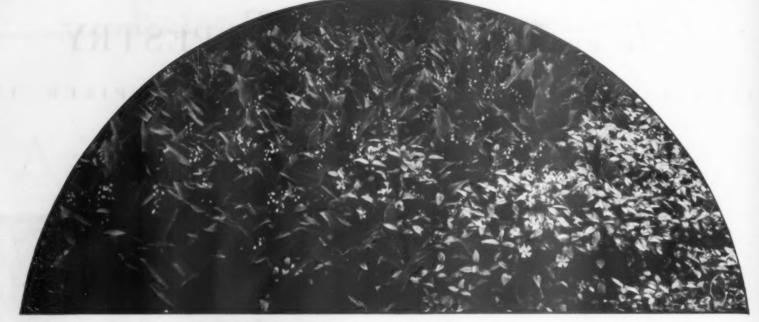
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Lity-of-the-valley and the Myr-tle (Vinca) are two old timers not to be overlooked. Both have charming flowers

English Ivy allowed to spread along the ground is often more happy than when climbing walls of masonry



under shrubs and in shady spots in the garden, Pachysandra does not seem to be necessarily (to me, at least) the last word in the vocabulary, valuable and justly popular as that evergreen spreader is. The excessive darkness of its color in shade makes it out of place among the fresh golden green of many gardens.

"But," exclaims some despairing gar-

dener, "what would you use instead?" "Dozens of things," I answer. "Study the native wild flora of your region. From what is growing near you, see if you can naturalize and increase some lovely thing which is indigenous.

Some twenty years ago I brought from the low moist woods along the Desplaines River, a small clump of Wild Ginger (Asarum canadense). It was simply a specimen wild-flower of a sort loved from childhood, and I planted it with many misgivings in my garden near Lake Michigan, in entirely different soil. It liked the new home and its roots took hold with enthusiasm. To my idea, it makes a beautiful ground cover. Each spring the root-stocks, which lie above the ground, send up double folds of leaves which flatten out into heart-shapes of



velvet, sometimes almost as large as those of their cousin, the

Dutchman's-pipe. So far, nothing has eaten or injured these leaves. Late frosts and a Maytime snow both have left them unscathed. I have tried Wild Ginger in four different spots in my small garden, and friends to whom I have given roots all report well of it. It spreads readily, seeds somewhat, and is easily controlled. Children are bewitched by



Pachysandra, Japanese Spurge, is the almost universal favorite ground cover in sun or shade

the strange wooly-throated maroon flowers. I wonder that it appears in almost no seedsman's catalogue.

The Dicentra makes another enchant-

covered by chance. After an absence of five years from my garden, I found one clump of Dicentra, puny, bloomless, rootbound, and mixed in a patch of Goldenrod. I dug up the little relic, disentangled the tiny pink tubers (the "doll's potatoes" of my childhood) and they fell apart, each with one fern-like leaf attached. I planted them in a shady spot under a thorn-tree in pure leaf-mold. They disappeared. The following spring I had a dozen sturdy plants, nine of

them bearing stalks of tiny "breeches," and from then on -ten years it is-I have been subdividing and experimenting and giving away, and the end is not yet. Last year I planted one group under a mass of Red Osier, mixing a generous quantity of sheep fertilizer in the earth. I would not be believed if I tried to tell the size of blooms and leaves I saw this spring!

The Bugle (Ajuga reptans), with its hairy spikes of true blue flowers will cover places, where

it feels at home, with a thick mat of close-growing rosettes. It will even submit to the lawn-mower and go on blooming. It is a too (continued on page 784)

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Two mountain shrubs for the garden

Evergreen Mountain Laurel and Rhododendrons bear showy flowers in the spring

C. F. GREEVES-CARPENTER

the have to be exercised in watering, as both of these materials have better moisture retaining properties than soil and do not dry out rapidly. Because of its composition of woodland bark, natural humus th. has more plant food and is better than peat moss.

If there be any uncertainty about the



A barren hillside walk was transformed by an informal planting of native Mountain Laurel and Rhododendrons

soil where it is proposed to do the planting, it should be tested for its chemical reaction to see whether it is alkaline (lime), neutral, or acid. If it is alkaline, it is practically useless to attempt planting, for the water underground is invariably alkaline. Attempting to change the soil will result in a constant reaction between the lime and the chemicals with the argument in favor of the lime because of its preponderance.

The chemical reaction of the soil may be determined in a general way by using litmus paper, which may be bought at any drug store. It is better to get one of the special soil testing outfits that can be had at the seed store.

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Neutral and partially acid soils lend themselves readily to treatment by chemical fertilizers. Aluminum sulphate is generally employed to create or to increase the acid reaction of the soil. Extract of hemlock bark, such as is used in tanning, may also be used, or you can buy a specially put up composition like Rhodylife.

Where these plants are put in a soil that is not naturally acid they should have a half tablespoonful of aluminum sulphate (this may (continued on page 756)

OST of the broad-leaved evergreen shrub prefer the warm regions of the Southern states, but the Mountain Laurel and Rhododendron do extremely well in the northern United States, and, indeed, are native over a very wide area and even on the mountains slopes of the upper South.

They require but little more attention in their planting than the majority of deciduous shrubs, and certainly well repay this care. They prefer damp, shaded positions that are naturally protected by topography of location from the severe winds of winter, and will not grow satisfactorily unless the soil shows an acid reaction: that is the big secret of their successful establishment. Fortunately most seaboard and woodland soils are normally acid.

Rhododendron and Mountain Laurel may be planted in either autumn or spring. For autumn setting out, they may be transplanted at any time from August to October.

Planting either of these shrubs in limestone soil must not be attempted. A sandy loam is fairly satisfactory but plenty of humus should be added. Where humus or peat moss is used, less care will



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A Colonial hunting lodge in Westchester

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lively interest to the ensemble without in the least affecting its distinctive character.

Assembled with inviting charm are many antiques of both English and American origin, among which a rare gateleg table of English oak whose date 1690, carved in the wood, is vouched for by papers from the Antiquarian Society of London now in Mrs. Patterson's possession, is perhaps the most intrinsically valuable.

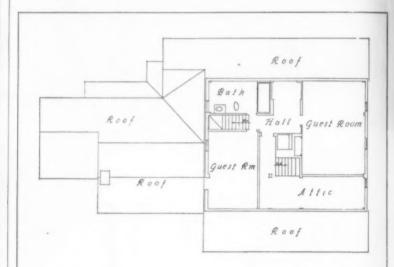
Shining pewter, silvery Lowestoft, New England luster, and old blue Staffordshire on mantel and dresser strike their own note. An old Dutch chest, painted in gay colors is another item.

A particularly gracious contribution to the decoration of the interior is the Queen Anne wing chair drawn close beside the hearth, an heirloom, as are also several fine old oil portraits. The Lenox sofa against the wall is undeniably picturesque.

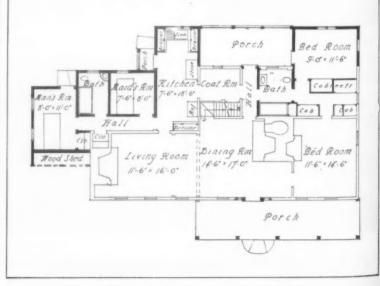
Mrs. Patterson removed the doors of the quaint chimney cupboard over the ell fireplace for the reception of her favorite authors and also built narrow tiers of shelves for additional books where space permitted. On the walls is the major part of Mr. Patterson's fine collection of early English and American sporting prints.

Beyond a Chinese red lacquer screen near the entrance is Mrs. Patterson's bedroom where, among a group of mellow antiques, a graceful old Sheraton field bed with slender reeded posts and netted tester stands out strikingly. The mildly pictorial quality of etherial blue scenic medallions or vignettes scattered over a white field in the Colonial wall paper supplies a setting for the old mahogany, yet it is illusive enough to form no striking contrasts to arrest the eye sharply. Small-sprigged calico used in fitting up the dressing table finds its complement in a pair of early American glass lamps in currant red. Above on the wall hangs a Colonial mirror.

Equally attractive, is Mr. Patterson's room in the new addition beyond, furnished with sturdy antiques. Colorful hunting prints line the walls. From this room may be had a view of the stables. Fashioned on primitive lines and whitewashed in the southern manner, they have been kept in key with the extreme simplicity of the exterior of the house. In no one (continued on page 700)



The architect has turned his floor space to happy account in this restoration. Two rooms were thrown together to make the living room which is also used as a dining room. It forms a long odd-shaped room with a fireplace at either end. A heavy oak beam in the ceiling marks the former partition between the rooms



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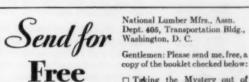
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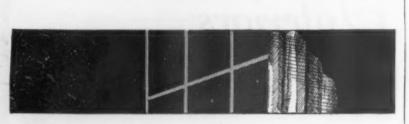


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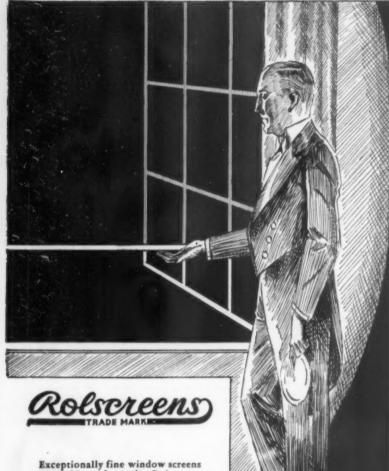
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particular has the architect exercised his peculiar skill to greater advantage than in devising an adequate arrangement of floor space; the convenience of the layout will commend itself to those contemplating a similar restoration. To create additional living quarters, two small extensions were built, one for the master's bedroom, the other for the modern kitchen. The recessed portion between was ingeniously turned to account as a breakfast porch.

Closets were installed between the owners' rooms with a modern bathroom opening off. The latter has access to the hall. Across the passage is a convenient coat room. This, in turn, leads to the kitchen, where adjoining are quarters for the cook and butler.

Even though the steep, narrow staircase rising by one turn between the walls must be negotiated to reach the upper story, only to glimpse the institute story and the steep the inviting guest rooms is well worth the effort. To be sure, headroom is often curtailed by the sloping roof of the gables but this, far from being objectionable serves to emphasize

the cosy seclusion. In the larger of the two rooms, pink and green ships sail dreamly over the papered walls, with the floor and woodwork painted a cool apple green. Low post maple beds have coverlets of small-patterned calico in apricot, exquisitely quilted in the old-time manner. A dressing table, also garbed in the same apricot calico, rejoices in a pair of amethyst glass lamps that repeat the orchid tone of the frilled organdie curtains and the covering of the low, comfortable slipper chair. A gold-frame in mirror hangs over the dressing table.

There are other attractions in ad. dition to these, for up another and more precipitous flight of steps is a shadowy old garret, where the stout oaken timbers of the massive trussed construction, uphold the roof and are precisely as the Colonial builders left them.

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mortgages, and other instruments affecting the title to real estate may be recorded in the office of the County Clerk or the Registrar of Deeds, and when so recorded are notice to the entire world of their contents. The mechanics of recording differ in various localities. In New York City, the Registrar of Deeds makes an exact copy of the instru-ment, binds it into a book and indexes its book and page number against the description of the property conveyed, the name of the seller, and the name of the purchaser. To find the instru-ment, you start by looking at any of the three indexes.

An unrecorded deed is not necessarily a void deed. If everyone were absolutely honest, there would be comparatively little need for recording statutes. But when an unscrupulous seller conveys the same land twice, difficulties are bound to arise. In such a situation, the deed which is recorded first is the valid deed, the other, even though it be the prior deed, thereupon becomes void. The single exception to this rule will be discussed later.

When you are buying real property, the instruments recorded in the County Clerk's office affect your purchase in two separate ways. First, it is assumed that you know the contents of every recorded paper. And second, these recorded instruments permit you to discover, with one or two exceptions, whether or not the man from whom you are buying owns all of the property he is purporting to sell. In other words, you can ex-amine his title to see if it is good. To do this, it is usually necessary to search the records for every instrument affecting the property recorded during a period of at least sixty years. Frequently, however, the lawyer or the title company making the search has already searched the title of the particular property you are buying, and needs only to examine the records from the date of the last search.

There are a few possible defects in title which can not be discovered by a search. But some of these can be detected by actually looking at the property. Others can not be discovered by ordinary means.

There is always, for instance, the ssibility of an outstanding dower right which can not be discovered in the records. A few years ago, I was engaged to defend the title to a parcel of real property, against the claim of a woman who alleged that she was the divorced wife of a former ow She said that when she married Mr. X he owned the property in question. Shortly after their marriage, he gave her grounds for divorce, and thereupon she divorced him in New Jersey, the state in which they had been residing. The divorce decree forbade him to marry again. But as such a decree can only be enforced in the state in which it is rendered, the man moved to New York and there married a second wife. Later, he sold the property, and his second wife joined in the conveyance, by signing her name at the bottom of the deed, and thereby waiving her dower right. The man who searched the title justly assumed that the deed conveyed good title and that any outstanding dower right was waived by the wife's signature on the deed. He had no way of knowing of the divorce and of the man's first wife.

In this particular case, a thorough investigation proved that the woman was an imposter and had no claim against the property. There had, in fact, been a divorce and a first wife, but she was dead.

However, the woman's claim showed a profound knowledge of the law. She had hit upon one of the few and extremely rare situations in which a title defect can not be disclosed by a search. Such a defect will not be present in one out of ten thousand conveyances. Yet, there is always the possibility of such a defect, and some must assume (continued on page 702)

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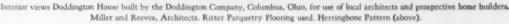
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damages for such a hidden defect. But, if he is insolvent and your title is not insured, the loss falls on you. We will talk about title insurance policies in a future article, but .his is as good a place as any to indicate their importance. Only a title policy issued by a reliable company can give you maximum protection. If you have a full covenant and warranty deed, the man from whom you bought the property guarantees the soundness of your title, but, years after the purchase, he may be insolvent, or he may be dead, and his estate dissipated. If you have employed a lawyer to search your title, the lawyer is responsible for the accuracy of the search, and if he negligently overlooked a defect in title, you may recover damages from him. But a lawyer does not insure title. If there is a defect that with reasonable diligence he could not have discovered, he is not in any way responsible for the defect. And even then, if years later you have a claim against your lawyer, it may be as difficult to collect as a claim against your grantor.

On the other hand, if a title company, which is organized under the insurance laws, insures your title, it is responsible for every possible defect, and its solvency is protected by the stringent laws under which insurance companies operate. In some cities, such as New York, where title companies are common, many lawyers refuse to search titles and advise all their clients to have the search made by, and to secure a policy from, a title company. If you are buying in a section where it is impossible to secure a title policy, you will get practical protection by employing a reputable lawyer.

We have seen that the papers recorded in the County Clerk's office give you a method of testing the title you are buying. Except for rare and unusual instances, a search of these papers will indicate whether or not you are buying a good title.

But there is another and equally important effect which these recorded papers have on your purchase. The law assumes that you know of them and of their contents. You are buying with notice of every recorded paper and every clause in every recorded paper. Thus, if one recorded deed to the property contains a restriction permitting the erection of onefamily houses only, you will be bound by that restriction, and your neighbors will be able to prevent you from building anything but a onefamily house.

When the law says that you have notice of the contents of recorded papers, it does not mean that you have actual notice. but that legally you are presumed to have notice. When in fact you have actual notice of a valid paper affecting the title to the property you intend to buy, you are bound by it. even if it is unrecorded. A short while back, we said that when an unscrupulous owner attempts to sell the same property twice, the deed which is first recorder the valid one and the other deed thereby becomes void. We can not refer to the one exception to that rule.

Let us assume that you have made contract to buy a house and are having the title searched and then, by chance, you hear that the house has been sold to another person. You ask your title searcher if there is any other deed on record and he finds that there is not. However, if the house has been sold to another person, his deed will be valid and yours invalid, because you have ac-tual notice of his deed. If you hear rumors of any unrecorded instru-ment affecting title to the property, you can protect yourself only by making a diligent investigation. Then if your investigation shows that there is no such paper, you are protected even if there is such an un recorded paper. The investigation must be thorough, or you will be deemed to have had notice of the paper.

There is still another way in which the law will assume that you have notice of encumbrances upon the title you are purchasing. If a physical inspection of the property suggests such encumbrances, it is up to you to investigate. Thus, if you are examin-ing a house and fand it occupied by a person other than the person from whom you are buying, you must investigate the circumstances under which such person is in possession. If he is the owner of the property under an unrecorded deed, that deed will have precedence over even if yours is recorded. If he had lease on the house, you will not be able to take possession until the expiration of the term of the lease A case that was recently decided in the New York courts illustrates the extent to which a purchaser may be put on notice of encumbrances by facts which would appear upon an inspection of the property. A man bought a vacant lot intending to build upon it. He looked at the lot. saw that there was no building on it and that it was entirely vacant en cept for an advertising billboard. He started to build and was about to take the billboard down, when he wa served with an order of the court restraining him from interfering with the billboard. It developed that the advertising company had a lease on the property giving it the right

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Likewise, when buying property, if you notice that all the houses on

the street are of a given type or are set back a given distance from the

building line, it is wise to investigate

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to erect and maintain the billboard and that they were paying \$10 a year as rent. The court said that the purchaser should have looked at the roperty before buying it and that his inspection should have suggested that the billboard was legally on the

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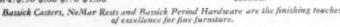
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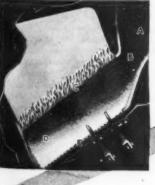
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Floor construction and floorings

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best appearance. The only proper way to obtain both the best wear and the best appearance is to run the underfloor diagonally. There is just one exception to this rule. When the finished floor is to have a diagonal parquet pattern, the underfloor should be laid directly across the joists.

The material of the sub-flooring must be of good quality, free from any large knot-holes or serious defects, and must be evenly laid, well nailed at each bearing, brought dry to the job, and kept dry. These are technical considerations, perhaps, and of in-terest only to the architect, the builders, and the carpenters, but they are essentials for obtaining a first-class finished floor and should, therefore, interest the owner as well.

We are not yet ready to consider the final flooring, but must still keep our minds below the surface. Flooring paper and flooring felt must not be forgotten. Their omission cost one owner \$2500 plus a trip to Bermuda "to get away from it all." The owner had saved an architect's fee and the builder had saved \$30 worth of flooring-paper. After exposure to moisture and steam heat, all the flooring throughout the house had to be taken up and new floors laid, in less than six months after the house was completed.

Every underfloor should be covered with at least two thicknesses of standard waterproof paper. In addition to this, on all floors above the first, a layer of felt should be put down. The felt acts as a sounddeadener and insulator, but since it absorbs moisture it should not be used under the first floor over the cellar ceiling. Fortunately enough, here practical considerations are in accord with technical ones, for no one cares about sound-deadening over a cellar.

A TLAST we are prepared to lay the finished wood floors. We have taken pains to assure a first-class job; we have now only to decide what is to be used in the various rooms.

As it seems to be with nearly all the good things of life, lower-priced grades of flooring are less durable and are usually less pleasing in appearance. We are forced to compromise between taste and pocketbook, so let us tabulate what there is for us to choose

- 1. Least expensive floors
- a. Comb-grain or edge-grain pine b. Oregon fir
- c. Maple strip flooring
- 2. Usual medium-priced floor a. No. 2 grade of plain-sawed white oak
 - b. No. 2 grade of plain-sawed red oak
- 3. Higher-priced but better quality
 - a. Clear (No. 1 grade) plain-sawed oak
 - b. White or red birch
 - c. No. 2 grades of quarter-sawed oak
- 4. Clear grade quartered oak floors
- 5. High quality flooring
 - Teak, mahogany, walnut, English oak, in strips

b. Same as above, in parquet, herringbone, and other designs c. Other hardwood floors in period patterns

For houses costing up to \$10,000 the floors in Group 1 are the usual thing, with occasionally floors Group 2 for the living room and the dining room. Group 2 is the usual choice for homes costing between \$10,000 and \$20,000, but as in all matters pertaining to home building, the family needs and the family pocketbook must be considered coincidentally. It is possible that certain rooms may be done in a more expensive type of flooring, but it is important that careful estimates of the total cost be made before any particular grade of floor is chosen. The same is true, of course, for houses costing more than \$20,000.

VENERALLY the cheapest and sim-General floor to lay is that of pine, using strips about two and a half inches wide, and with all edges tongued and grooved for "blind nailing." It is sometimes suggested that floors of this kind be used on the second floor and hardwood downstairs. However, in practice, the saving over using the Group 2 hardwoods throughout in a small house is seldom more than about \$25. It is better to make the floors for the entire house all one way or the other. Any builder will be glad to estimate the cost either way, but it must be thoroughly understood just what is meant by the grade specified, and it is best to see samples before deciding.

Fir is not commonly used for floors in the New England and Atlantic states for small houses. Maple is gradually being used more extensively in this part of the country because it takes colored stains better than pine or fir.

It is the red or white oak floor, however, which is the most extensively used, and which is well worth the slight difference in price over the floor of soft wood. Plain-sawed flooring is made by cutting the log timber into slices and then trimming the edges to tongue and groove them. It more likely to warp and shrink than the quarter-sawed boards, it does not wear so well, nor does it show such pleasing grain pattern after staining, Quarter-sawed lumber is made by first quartering the log and then cutting boards out of each quarter, at an angle of forty-five degrees with the diameter, the boards are thus cut at right angles to the annular rings, and have a nice grain and a more uniform quality.

Commerical length strips vary from two feet to eight feet in length. It is customary to use the short strips for closets, saving the longer pieces the main rooms. Some short for lengths must be used even in the larger rooms, however, to "break joints," that is, to overlap the butt end joints so that two adjacent ends do not come in the same place.

It will be noted in referring to the groups in the table above, that "oak floors" are mentioned five times in Groups 2, 3, and 4. When it is considered that (continued on page 710)

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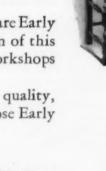
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Floor construction and floorings

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each of the terms here used is a general one rather than an actual trade name, the importance of a careful understanding of what is wanted by the owner and what is to be furnished by the builder is obvious. To be sure, see the material. Have a few samples sent for approval. Even then it is well, also, to be sure of the man who is to furnish the flooring and do the laying.

Roofing, heating, and plumbing may be guaranteed; the only sure guarantee for flooring, however, is the name of the man who does the work. We may still not be certain of what we are getting unless we by chance know trade names and customs. It happens that according to the rules of the national association "clear grade" admits three-eighths inches of bright sap, a few "pin knots," and "slight defects."

Finished flooring should not be laid until after all plastering has dried out thoroughly. It is best to wait until practically all work has been done by the plumber and steamfitter as well, and as much as possible by the painter. Many a good floor has been ruined by dirt, grease, or paintmarks, some careless workman thinking "it'll all come off under the scrap-er." But it will not all come off, and the scraper is not to be considered as a plane. Scraping is merely a little more than good heavy sandpapering. All good, finished floors should be hand-scraped, well sandpapered, and, above all, kept clean.

THE USUAL floor finish is a coat or two of stain, two coats of white shellac rubbed down with steel wool, and then wax. There are about as many ways of finishing floors, however, as there are paint and varnish companies. Here, too, the owner should see samples. Maple, oak, and birch will take the largest variety of color stains and show the best grains in their respective groups. Oak is frequently given a "natural stain" matching the color of the wood, the shellac and wax being applied for a finished surface and for preservation of the wood, prevention of moisture absorption, and ease in cleaning.

All the flooring material mentioned above is considered to be of the standard thickness of thirteen-sixteenths of an inch, roughly referred to as seven-eighths flooring. For modernizing old homes, however, it is permissible to use "parquet carpet," a five-sixteenths inch flooring that comes in rolls,

ready to be applied over an old finished floor. It should be remem-bered, however, that no floor is better than its foundation. There is no use considering parquet carpet unless we have a smooth, level, finished floor upon which to apply it. It is of course cheaper and lighter than any other parquet, but due to its thinness, it must be "face-nailed"—nailed right through the boards, with nail-holes showing and later filled with putty, colored to match the stain.

A flooring specification should mention which rooms are to have borders, and how these are to be made. The simplest border consists of siz or eight strips run around the room parallel to the walls. Since the flooring itself runs parallel to the long walls. one strip is often made of a different material, such as maple, walnut, or mahogany, that the effect of the border may not be lost. An effective and simple border for an oak floor, with little or no extra cost, is made by six strips of maple around the bordered

LTHOUGH the woods that are used A for flooring are much the same now as in days past, modern science has improved on Nature, or on precedent. There is a patented process now by which flooring can be made some what more resistant to moisture than untreated lumber. Floors that will not warp are much to be desired. Particularly is this true when the floor is laid in patterns. This new treatment permits parquetry floors to be made up in individual blocks and laid in a plastic cement. The result is a squeak less, handsome floor that can be laid at reasonable cost.

A somewhat similar idea is the oak flooring that is sand papered, filled, and finished at the factory. This makes it possible for the floor to be laid and used the same day. There is no work to be done on it in the house save nailing it to the sub-flooring. The strips themselves are grooved in such a way that the nail holes do not show and the floor when laid presents a perfectly smooth surface.

The best way to choose a floor is fi see it and then order it duplicated; the next best way is to have a reliable expert recommend it, supply it, and lay it. The worst way is to consider the subject too technical and not worth troubling about, for this way may mean much trouble later on, and we cannot all take trips to Bermuda to get away from our homes and floors.

Choosing fences that are fitting

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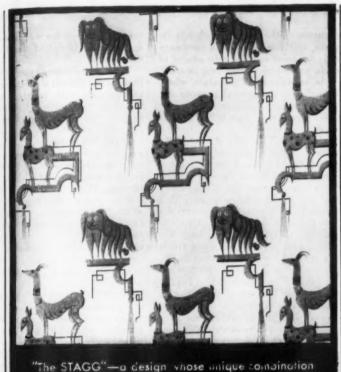
to extend rather than to confine the property

For the city dweller who would give his backyard a somewhat rustic air, fences of cut chestnut saplings are both attractive and practical. Rusticity, imported by these unpainted fences, has been cleverly used by roof-garden decorators, who disguise water-tanks and chimneys behind tall saplings. By this, more than any other decorative effect, they turn the roof into a real garden, which

needs only a few plants and wicker chairs to be complete.

It is in the country or suburban home, however, that fences truly come into their own. The first glimpse that one receives of a country home includes its fence. It is important, therefore, that this be in keeping

with the house and the grounds. There are in general five kinds of fences: brick, stone, metal, wood and combination fences constructed of any two (continued on page 714)



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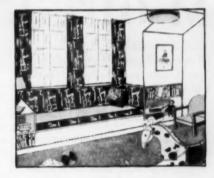
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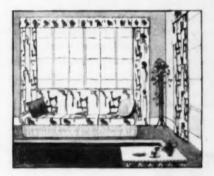
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or more of the above. Each has its place and function. It is necessary only to point out the advantages of each, and where it may best be used. As boundaries of an estate, where formality is the general keynote and where profuse foliage screens densely, grille fences may be used to advan-tage. Ironwork has a stability and strength that make it especially suitable, when handsomely designed. for use as a boundary fence. Another sort of metal fence, the woven wire fence, too, has achieved distinction and has in its modern construction taken a place as a fitting frame for the small or large house. Of rustresisting metal, it neither sags nor sways, and it makes an ideal trellis for rambler roses, ivy, honeysuckle, or other vines. Behind this beauty lies safety in the children's play yard. There is a sense of security as well as dignity about these modern fences that makes them especially desirable for the country home.

Useful for either a large or small estate in the fence of brick, a particularly happy material that admits of combination with a variety of other materials or stands well alone. For the ever-popular, all-year-round English home, whether this assume a grand or a cottage manner, brick fences are the delight of architects. A typical Georgian wall is of low brick surmounted by an ornamental railing or topped by molded bricks arranged in contrasting order. Charming effects may be achieved by an openwork formation known as the pierced wall.

Another variation is the insertion of stucco panels in ovals or other contrasting forms, so that, in each section of the wall, the brickwork forms arches between which gray stucco panels lie. Sometimes bricks or parts of bricks irregularly introduced in the stucco give relief.

Where the English have used brick, and used it almost to excess, the colonists in America made use of the stones that they found lying about the fields. We find old Colonial houses throughout New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut surrounded by dry stone walls. Fields had to be cleared for tilling, and the stones that were found were heaped up to form borders for the land. No cement was used in these old fences; they were bound by piling, and where an extra frill or protection was desired, they were surmounted by chestnut rails. In time the stones sank into the ground by their own weight, but more could always be piled on top-a fairly simple method of repair. Modern methods have developed much more regular kinds of stone inclosures.

Metal stands for formality, brick for warmth and endurance, and dry stone for an atmosphere of Colonial times, but the wooden fence with its many variations may connote all these atmospheres, and more. There are nearly as many kinds of wooden fences as there are trees, each one presenting the greatest number of variations in shape and form. They are used not only to guard the exterior of an estate, but, within the inclosure, to mark off gardens and plots of ground designed for special uses. An exterior fence of iron or brick and interior fences of wood are not uncommon.

The most obvious type of wooden fence is the picket: slats three or four inches wide with pointed tops, of weather-resisting wood, and held together by a rear horizontal reinforcement. Everyone knows it. To lend it a little variety, the gateposts may be surmounted by urns, acorns, or pineapple ornaments, contradicting the comment of the critics by showing that this rather ordinarylooking fence was erected with a sympathetic understanding of its usage in early days. Variations in the width of the slats and of the spaces between them do wonders to change the appearance of the picket fence, as do variations in the height and top line.

A VERY attractive fence surrounds a country clubin New Jersey. Extrawide slats dip between six-foot posts standing about fifteen feet apart, so that the top fence line comes in a series of inverted curves. The height of the fence midway between the posts is only about four feet. Pink rambler roses climb from both inside and outside and show to advantage against the freshly painted white boards.

Another variation, known as Spanish Spindles, places the wide slats only a half inch or so apart. Conventional figures and patterns are cut, half from one board and half from the next, so that an openwork design is formed. A bit of imagination and an agile jig-saw are all that are necessary to make one's own variations in Spanish Spindle work. Better yet, a pencil sketch may be sent to the fence manufacturer, who will do it for you.

The wattle fence is as typically European as the picket fence is American. It is a mat of slim rushes interwoven horizontally between uprights eight or ten inches apart. It is useful to guard new plantings and as a background for gardens. That it is non-transparent makes it valuable for use about the house or parts of the grounds that are to be concealed.

Most attractive, and rapidly gaining in popularity among the nontransparent barriers are the tall interwoven screen fences of cleft chestnut saplings. Beside being artistic in their rustic appearance, irregular topline, and charmingly quaint gates, these fences are very durable and require none of the expensive painting and repair which others demand They are to be had in four heights varying from eighteen inches to six feet eight inches and are useful for bordering flower beds as well as inclosing estates as a whole, and they may be combined attractively with other sorts of fencing.

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In our discussion, we must not overlook the five-bar, split-wood fence with obliques coming to a point in each section. This diagonal feature makes the fence particularly visible, hence valuable for enclosing paddocks and pasture lands. And another is the old-fashioned, irregular snake fence whose zigzag bars of rough hewn timbers wind so charmingly through many of our countrysides.



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Science doctors the chimney flue

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be seen flickering up the chimney even as with the original opening. By this ingenious architectural stratagem the practical end was achieved without reducing the picture.

The room area has an esthetic and practical bearing on the size of the fireplace opening. An area one-thirtieth to one-fortieth the size of the room, will give a satisfactory fire frame, architects say. Originality and atmosphere are often achieved by distinctive mantels, which the genius of the modern manufacturer reproduces in wood, stone, marble, tile, and synthetic compositions from the designs of all the world. The fireplace beneath is of size and shape to har-monize—perhaps the tall slender opening suggesting a villa along the Mediterranean or the generous proportions of primitive New England, when wood was plentiful and cheap and whole logs were rolled on the fire to provide both heat and light. As a general rule, the perfect fireplace calls for a height not greater than its width. The opening forty-eight inches wide needs no more than thirty inches of height, though three or four extra are sometimes conceded for greater ease in throwing on the firewood or for more pleasing proportion.

To-day's fireplace also considers the standard lengths of commercial firewood—twenty-four, sixteen, and twelve inches. Many experiments have proved that not more than eighteen inches of depth are needed for the forty-eight inch width. If too deep, considerable heat will be cut off by the sides; if too shallow, the smoke will steal out. The depth becomes a decision between a space permitting the use of large logs, which require less trequent replenishing, and the shallower type, using lighter sticks, which will throw out more heat.

It was Count Rumford's sound theory, which first narrowed the back wall of the fireplace, forming a reflector of the back and sides. Sloping the back wall forward about three and a half inches to each foot of rise still further forced the heat into the room instead of allowing it to ascend straight upward to heat all outdoors.

Not content with beauty of frame and a perfect smoke conductor for the modern open fire, science has developed within the sooty interior of the chimney vital contributions to the control of draft and smoke. In times past, the flames raced unchecked through the "throat" just over the fireplace opening and expanded into the smoke chamber above. Now an ingenious damper runs the full length of the throat. At the touch of a poker or the turn of a handle extending through the masonry, it opens wide for the quick hot fire of birch or pine or checks down to a lesser draft for a more substantial blaze. Through the summer or when central heating is to be conserved, the opening may be completely closed. The sectional construction of these dampers allows them to expand and contract with changes of temperature, without cracking the face of the fireplace. The plate is easily removed so that soot may be cleaned from the smoke shelf.

FORMERLY the construction of the smoke chamber itself was on the lap of the gods. Perhaps it contained some remote ancestor of the modern flat smoke shelf to catch the air currents flowing down the chimney and deflect them again into the upstream of hot air. More likely it was guiltless of such elaboration, and the fire smoked copiously when the wind was in a certain direction. To-day this most critical part of chimney construction is made quick and sure by a complete steel form around which the new chimney may be built or the old one reconstructed in minimum time. Its smooth funnel-shaped sides act as a nozzle, forcing the draft up the flue. The adequate wind shelf handles the down draft and prevents

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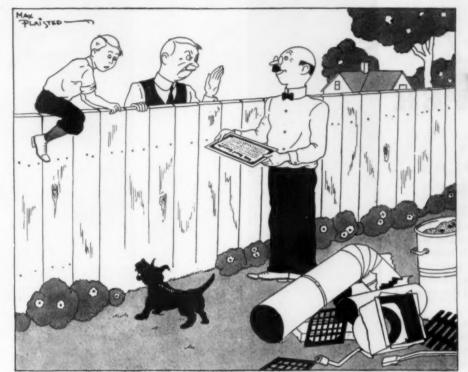
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the lovely Rodier brocades, in tones of tan with small lines of red to match the red in the paper. There is one large leaf pattern, simple but impressive, that would make splendid hangings for this room.

For our next selection, let us bring the garden into our living room. We shall make it informal and chatty, a gathering place for the family on a rainy afternoon, where spirits will be brightened and loads lightened by a cup of tea—and the floral wallpaper.

This floral design varies in its background from the kind we have seen so often. The bunches of rose, lavender, and yellow flowers are brought together by a broken plaid made up of hundreds of light brown lines of varying thickness, running vertically in one section and horizontally in the next. It looks like the satin wood used for boxes and panels. The background of the paper is a light warm cream. With the gay groups of flowers, it will make a garden-like room with just a touch of present day decoration. Again I suggest that the woodwork and ceiling match the background of the paper in color, and that the floor be covered by a tan rug the color of the tan lines in the background of the paper. It is not necessary to make the contrast in color between walls and floor or walls and ceiling too strong. Always keep in mind that the room is a unit and should be treated as such.

The last paper we shall look at is surprising in its color. It has a yellow background, with broken plaid in widely spaced lines, one group satin finish in the same color and the other a shade darker yellow. Over these is run a distinctly vine-like pattern in turquoise blue, with long slender leaves and peculiar brown flowers that look like butterfly wings with a tiny touch of black. This waving vine climbs steadily upward so it will make our low room look higher. It will bring the welcome sunlight into it, and it will give it a strong sense of the Japanese in its decoration. I can imagine it with turquoise blue linen crash cutains edged with a small binding of black. A black marbleized linoleum on the floor and turquoise blue woodwork would be striking, but if we must be more conservative let us suggest natural pine woodwork and a good brown Wilton carpet. It is go children's room, though not in any sense a nursery paper. It is goy, quaint, and playful, but still useful for many purposes.

Before we stop in our list of new designs let us consider an interesting treatment for wainscoting, useful in a very high room where the paper appears above a plain panel of another material. Instead of wood or a heavy fabric, use a panel effect made of lincrusta, a paper-backed material covered with a great many coats of paint. It is heavy enough to give a solid feeling to the lower wall and can be painted any color to match the other woodwork in the room. Once up, it is practically permanent. Since it comes in a variety of designs, it is most flexible. A new pattern of simple panel similar to wood panelling is shown in the illustration.

There are many, many more lovely samples before me, for the new type of decoration depends so much on the walls for interest and design that wallpaper must supply the demand. The new wallpapers strive for effect rather than for naturalism, and in this way they are not pictures but decorations. They are the fairy godmothers that can change a sordid pumpkin into Cinderella's coach in the blink of an eyelash. Fresh new wallpaper can drive away the shades of winter and make the dreariest room charming.

From an economical standpoint there are few wallpapers now that are not good investments. We found that you can paper an average room for thirty dollars. The papers we have looked at are of a quality that will not fade to any extent. The Americanmade papers (continued on page 722) R

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The witchery of wallpaper

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The somber mattress becomes gay

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Unfortunately, the lady's eagerness to be in step with the mode had obscured her better judgment. The harmonizing of bedding and bed is considered as important to-day as the harmony between rug and draperies. Modernistic tickings, which come in attractive geometric designs in two color patterns as well as more vivid designs should be reserved for bedrooms which sound a distinctly contemporary note. There are new designs to meet every requirement.

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Another popular cotton damask pattern is made in an all-over design of diamond-shaped lattice, formed by tiny flowers and leaves, with a small blossom in the center of each diamond. This is somewhat lighter in feeling than the medallion pattern and is nice in Colonial rooms. It may be had in blue, orchid, and rose. Both these designs come with special borders to be used on the side of the mattress. The lattice pattern in rose color was attractively displayed on a gray bed with a floral design in pink.

The newest departure in mattrees coverings is a rayon and cotton weave that gives a luxurious silken effect. The pattern is, of course, woven in one piece, and is classic in inspiration, featuring an all-over design in a rectangular frame. It comes in plain colors and in two-color combinations.

Mattresses for the younger generation are carefully styled to meet their taste (or their mother's) in the matter of color and design. Dainty Jacquan checks in blue or pink, and even in yellow are selected for Baby's room. Another amusing ticking ornaments its tan background with rose-colored turtles and bright blue birds. Nursery rhyme illustrations are about to make an appearance as mattress covering.

A ticking that would be attractive in most rooms makes use of a morning glory vine as its central motif. This is developed in cream-color on green or blue grounds. Dresden patterns are very good for country bedrooms. For the man's room, if a plain color is not desirable, there are stripes of every kind and every hue. These stripes are so intricate and varied, it is difficult to believe that they are the offspring of the somber blue and white ticking that once cloaked every wellbehaved mattress with a mantle of deadly uniformity.



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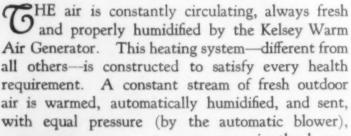
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Modern skeletons in the closet

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A very practical disappearing bed is one that requires no special closet space for its accommodation. It can be rolled anywhere in the house as required. Canopy rods from which drapes or curtains may be hung can be purchased with it, attached either to the bed or separate for attachment to the wall. These rods come single or double. The latter allows a valance to conceal the rod when drapes are pulled to one side and the bed is lowered. Any attractive chintz or portières will serve for a graceful means of concealment. With one of these beds in reserve, a house guest is never inconvenient, when limited quarters might make such hospitality otherwise impossible. It does away with the expensive necessity of maintaining a guest room which is only occasionally in use.

The disappearing beds come in single, double, and twin styles, and the amount of space required for the recessed types of installation depends partly upon the size of the bed. In remodeled homes or rooms that do not permit the building of deep closets, beds of the recessed type may be housed in a space eighteen inches deep, behind double doors which allow the bed to roll out clear of the recess and permit full circulation of air around it. Where there is no possibility of building a closet into the wall, one can easily be built out into the room. The sacrifice of eighteen inches is a small matter in a room of any size, and it is certainly made up by the saving of the thirty-four square feet that the average full-size stationary bed takes up in a room.

There is also the pivot-type bed, which swings around a single three foot door and requires but a small amount of recess space to house when not in use.

It is always important to economize when it can be done constructively. But there are some ways in which economy is more costly than expenditure. Comfort in sleeping is of paramount importance and should always be the main consideration in buying a bed. They who sleep dream-

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Once it has been demonstrated as practical to secrete an article so "hefty" as a bed, there is simply no limit for the imagination as to will may be done with other furnishing. up to and including the kitchen stove. The bashful retiring closet finds itself a center of economic interest, with all manner of small attractive furnishings competing for a place in its depths.

Closet furniture has come to occupy a position so individual and so much in demand that in most of the larger stores there are now Closet Shops devoted exclusively to fittings of this sort. Everything is designed not only to make the closet more convenient but to enlarge the outside room by transferring to the closet clothing that was formerly laid away in dressing table or chest of drawers. This permits an arrangement that is more the boudoir-sitting room than the conventional bedroom. A poudreuse may replace the heavier dressing table. A convenient desk or sofa may stand where the chest of drawers was necessary. Closet fittings can usually be pur-

chased in matching sets of as few or as many pieces as are required, and in color harmony with the outer room. When the door is open, it is apparent that the closet, like the rest of the house, has its proper decorative pride.

The most inexpensive fittings are paper-covered. These come in a half dozen dainty colors and a wide selection of patterns. There are the new modernistic papers with their novel abstract motifs so smart and original. There are the older but always attractive floral designs. And there are also pieces that make use of old-fashioned prints as a means of decoration. Perhaps the most popular of all are the small allover patterns that somewhat resemble chintz.

A range of shapes and sizes in closet fittings prevents difficulty in finding styles to suit special closet dimensions. Some pieces are tall and narrow, others low and broad, with space for hats, linge-

with many of medium proportions. Of the latter style is a utility cabinet rie, and shoes-an excellent way of arranging these belongings in a compact, convenient manner. (Continued on page 730)



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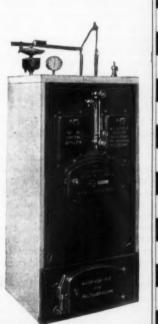
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Modern skeletons in the closet

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Suit and hat boxes come as low as \$2.00 each. Hat boxes are in two styles, single with hinge, or nested. Some suit boxes are also nested. When these are pyramided, they narrow at the top and do not take too much space at the height where coats and dresses may be hanging.

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A small chest of shallow drawen wherein one may lay handkerchief, hosiery, and all of the flat-folded articles of clothing that need little room is also a space-saver.

room is also a space-saver. Prices of these fittings vary according to size and covering, Many of the larger ones are under ten dollars, and they are well made and durable. Two coats of shellac, if one does not mind the work, will make it possible to sponge them from time to time and keep their colors fresh. This really adds considerably to their surface durability and is well worth doing.

The architecture of the French provinces

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farmhouse remains in most cases the sleeping room as well, and there is little variation in its arrangement and furniture. Its most impressive feature is its great fireplace, usually of stone but framed in wood with a wood mantel. This is of generous width and is generally about five feet six inches high although there are examples of lower openings. The stove has found its way into many of the Auvergne fireplaces but where this luxury cannot be afforded the fireplace is about three feet deep with yawning flue, hooded within the wall and equipped with crane and pot hooks. The wanderer's bench may be found at the side of the embrasure, and the mantel shelf presents its alignment of candlesticks, plates, faded tin-types, and bottles.

At one side of the fireplace stands the buffet or dresser often built into the wall with ample cupboards below. One wall is given over to the alcoved beds, of which there are sometimes as many as four in line, Pullman fashion. This wall is invariably wood-paneled and often shows carved and molded valence and sides framing the bed openings. There extends along most or all of its length and below the beds a bench-chest to store clothes and to facilitate getting into bed.

This wood paneling is often carried along two walls, and in the more prosperous farms along three or all. The stone or slate sink finds a place under the window with outlet below the sill, and there is usually an alcove sometimes within a deep window reveal for the hanging of pans, skimmers, and ladles.

The treasured copper fountain and basin still hangs upon the wall, and no self-respecting farmer is without his grandfather clock, sometimes incorporated in the wall panelling and often between two beds. The floors are of stone or broad bricks occasionally overlaid with planking. The long unpainted table with deep bread drawers at the ends and the trestle benches are placed near the center of the room, and there are rough chairs with straw bottoms in odd corners.

The ceilings are low, beamed, and boarded over the beams. From them hang all manner of provisions, such as cured meats, sausages, and cheeses. Smoked and aged from amber to black, the ceiling and walls give the room a rich and somber effect intensified by the highlights of shining copper and rows of glistening plates. In wrought-iron, there are simple latches and knockers and cupboard hinges of original design.

The brightest colors are those of the counterpane and curtains with which the alcoved beds are generously supplied. These, in pattern and material, suggest our own early American quilts and fabrics.

Doors from this main room lead to a possible supplementary bedroom, to a storage room, and to the barns. When the house is of two floors, a simple wood stair with unturned balusters leads from living room to roughly boarded quarters for servants and hands, and in the more common one-story houses a ladder within or without the main room leads to the hay lofts that lie under the roof. With necessary modifications, I

With necessary modifications, I believe the Auvergne farmhouse may be happily used as a basis for an American adaptation and yet maintain much of its original character and beauty.

As a problem of adaptation the Auvergne farmhouse presented some difficulties, because the spacious barms and lofts are almost invariably incorporated within the house itself, thus creating a window distribution and effects of roof and wall surface that do not lend themselves easily to radical plan changes.

Auvergne, even in the mountainous regions, is essentially a cow country, and the farmhouses are mostly barn, not only because of economy in building and general convenience, but also because the animals, together with the hay stored in the lofts under the roofs, provide important heat and insulation during the rigorous winter months.

In my adaptation I have tried to recall the barn entrance by means of the garage doors. The doors themselves, the bracketed hood over them, and the pigeon-loft all help, I believe, to suggest typical features of Auvergne farmhouse construction. It, seemed wise to further separate the main entrance from the garage door.

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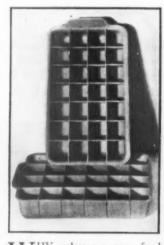


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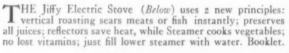


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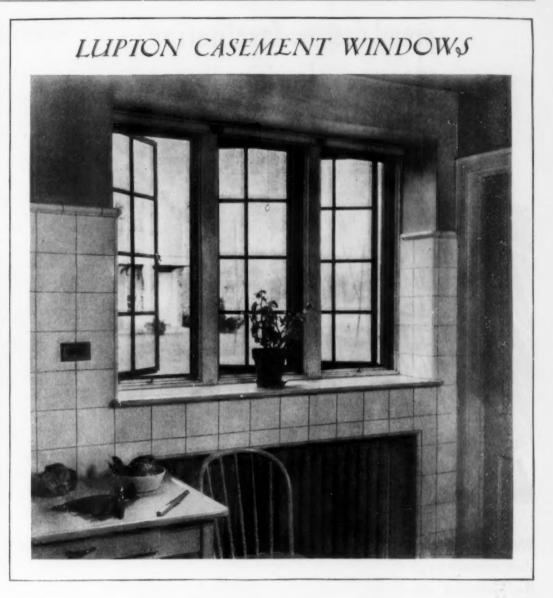




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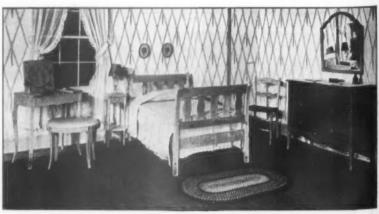
pieces. Against these arguments, one must weigh the fact that a mistake in the selection of a set is much more serious than an error in the purchase of a single item. It is also true that a room composed of harmonized pieces of furniture which are not uniform in design is much more livable than the average room furnished with a matching suite.

The most practical bedroom for a young girl combines the features of a living room and a sleeping room. It should be a place where she may bring her intimate friends for a cozy afternoon, at any time. Here she can be quite safe from her younger brother's pranks, and here she can always entertain informally without consulting her mother to find out whether the living room will be available.

There are several types of furniture particularly suited to a girl's room. Early American pieces of yellow maple combine delightfully with chintzes, braided rugs, and dainty organdie curtains. French provincial furniture, with a walnut or a beech finish, has gentle curves and a charming air of unsophistication. Uneven plaids in coarsely woven fabrics or tiny calico patterns, often quilted, are most suitable to use with this type. Painted furniture, whether in period, modern, or modernistic styles, is always attractive, provided the color scheme is carefully worked out. Flower stencils or decalcomania may be applied to a set which comes fin-ished in plain color at time of purchase, or which is painted by home talent.

Two of the rooms which are budgeted in this article are made up of unpainted furniture. The store prices for finishing in color or in natural wood effect are included. If the furniture were done at home, the major part of this item could be deducted, although a small amount would be necessary to cover the cost of paint and brushes.

The third room described is fur-nished with maple Early American pieces, with the exception of the bookcase, which is painted green. The introduction of a variation of this kind lends interest to a room. The desk and the odd little oval table help to contribute living room atmosphere. Let us consider the individual



The vogue for French provincial furniture is exemplified in this bedroom with its charming little poudreuse and its rush-seated chair (Courtesy of Hearthstone Furniture Co.)

pieces which will be necessary in a girl's bedroom. A daybed is very desirable for this type of ensemble, and may be bought in almost the same width as a single bed. It can be placed with the long side against the wall and used as a settee during the day. The fact that the headboard and foot. board are the same height is often the only point which distinguishes it from a regular bed.

A chest of drawers of some kind is essential. The old bureau or dresser with the attached mirror is being replaced by the much older lowboy or highboy. If there is a dressing table in the room, a mirror is not necessary above the chest. A hanging book shelf, a picture, or a bit of colorful fabric can be used to good effect instead. There is almost nothing that brings as much joy to the heart of the average girl as a dressing table, draped in dainty chintz or dimity. The cost is slight, moreover. An old kitchen table can be used, disguised with paint and frilly draperies, or a kidney-shaped table can be bought in unpainted wood for about \$9. Those with drawers or swinging gates which open to reveal convenient shelves are more expensive, costing in the neighborhood of \$16, which sometimes includes the plate glass top. A nice triple mirror may be purchased for \$15, or a less costly hanging mirror can be used.

Instead of the dressing table, one may invest in a little French poudreuse or powder table which has compartments or drawers for the necessaries of the toilet, and also boasts a mirror, set in the inside of the middle section. These vanities may be had in several varieties of natural wood finish or in attractive painted designs. The latter, with floral paint-ings in the Venetian manner, cost \$52, complete with matching bench. A plain-colored square vanity table with the "make-up box" set on top. covering the entire surface, and a stool which fits underneath, is priced at \$30.

As a substitute for the large chest of drawers, I have seen a most attractive ensemble used in a girl's room. This consisted of a little green vanity table, flanked on either side by a narrow chest covered in gay figured paper. One contained lingerie, the other shoes and stockings. The frames of (continued on page 736)

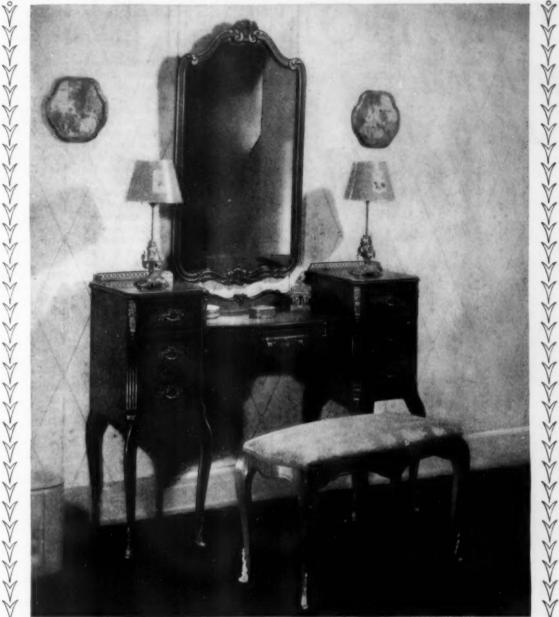
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An overstuffed chair is not an extravagance and, from the point of view of comfort, is well worth the extra cost. An old chair with a new slip cover may serve the purpose, but boudoir chairs can be purchased for as low as \$16, if one watches for an opportunity. As a substitute, a colonial or provincial chair with arms can be made both comfortable and colorful with padded back and seat cushion to match the draperies or bedspread. Occasional tables are so diversified and inexpensive that they are, perhaps, the easiest things to find.

Having discussed the necessaries, the "extras" are the next things to consider. For a bed sitting-room which is to be used by a schoolgirl, a desk is always practical. It is infinitely easier to do home work when one is alone and not distracted by the buzz of family conversation. However, a table of ample proportions is a possible substitute.

There should be a place for books in the bedroom. It may be shelves built under the window seat, or it may take the form of an inexpensive hanging shelf. This, of course, will be decided by the demands and the preference of the occupant. A tall, narrow unfinished bookcase which can be painted to harmonize with the furnishings gives a room an interesting "lift.

A tea table is a nice touch, and the shops are showing the most intriguing varieties. There are tables of painted metal, tables with glass tops, and also trays which fit on folding stands, in addition to dozens of attractive models in plain or painted wood.

The rugs or carpet to be used depend entirely on the amount to be expended. A wool Axminster in a plain color, size 9 x 12, costs about \$48. Narrow width carpet sewed together makes a neat floor covering but is likely to wear at the seams. A woolfiber rug in a 9 x 12 size is practical and good-looking and costs only \$21.95. Scatter rugs, which may be braided Colonials, rag rugs, Numdahs, or hook rugs, real or imitation, are attractive and can be used if the floor is well-finished. Many of these are both inexpensive and quaint, being particularly suitable with Colonial or provincial furnishings.

The accessories in a room are always the most fun to select. A pair of dressing-table lamps with a nice pewter finish costs \$4 each, complete with shades. A lamp with a pottery base and a figured parchment shade sells for \$5. But lamps are the least of one's troubles. The shops abound in delightful styles and shapes, many of which are very moderately priced, and the woman who is clever with her fingers can always make her own lampshade.

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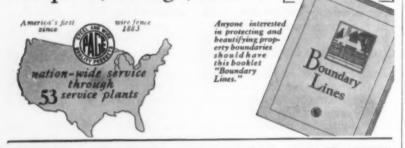
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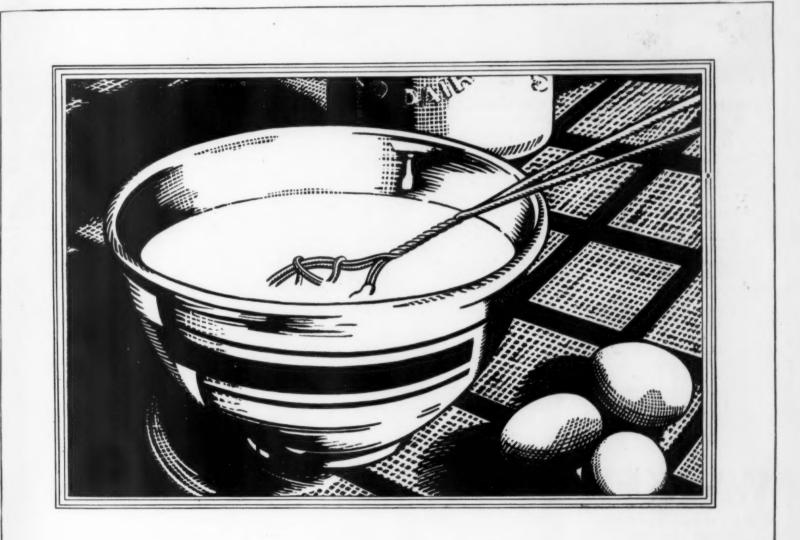
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Furniture of the French provinces

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buffets, and garde-robes which fit naturally into a French manor house, that is not well-equipped with closets and pantries, are beautiful specimens of furniture and in certain instances are well adapted to our needs, but they are not absolute necessities, as are the chairs and tables.

The French provinces, differing as they do from the sunny Côte d'Azur to the misty Côte du Nord, have produced pieces of furniture that bear a singular resemblance to each other and a singular contrast to the sophisticated Parisian types. In the south is Provence; in the north, Normandy. It is difficult for even an expert to differentiate between the furniture of these two provinces. Certain pieces, of course, do differ. In the north, in Brittany, for instance, the bed goes into the wall and stays there. If the inhabitant of the house, and the bed, feels particularly cold, he puts doors around his bed alcove and manages to shut himself up for the night almost hermetically. In the south, of course, the bed stands out in the room. It is what is known as a lit à l'ange. It does not even have a tester over it, as it does in the middle provinces of France. Again, the northern provinces, Normandy and Brittany, have certain fashions which have influenced furniture designs. Those lovely, voluminous head-dresses of lace that Breton women wear cannot be thrown lightly on a shelf and left there. They need protection and to house them a wardrobe known as a bonnetière is used.

Similarly a particularly popular piece of furniture in Normandy is a grandfather's clock. Every good Norman has a good big clock. They are not like our clocks and they are not called grandfather's clocks. They are roundly curved and the pendulum casing is shaped rather like a violin. It is possible that their outlines have earned them the nickname that is so strangely different from our own— "la demoiselle."

A NOTHER piece that is in every pro-vincial house is the armoire. This looks like a wardrobe, but is in reality a cupboard with two big doors. It varies in size from something more than waist high to something that in general size resembles an old-fash-ioned folding bed. The big doors of these armoires bear the curved moldings that are so typically Louis XV. A similar piece of furniture is the buffet. Like the armoire this varies in kind in different parts of the country. In the Pays de Caux it is single-bodied; in Caen it is double-bodied and has four panelled doors. On the peninsula of Cotentin it is a china cupboard with double doors at the bottom and shelves above. In Auvergne it is a two-storied china cupboard with four double doors and the upper part made narrower; or it is a two-bodied cupboard with doors at the bottom and the top made narrower, with



open shelves. The decoration, in Auvergne, is not so often Louis XV as it is geometrical—as in the lace making industry that flourishes there.

Another piece of furniture which resembles the armoire is the garderobe, or, in English, wardrobe. This is a very popular piece in Provence. It is high, with double doors, bright steel hinges, and carved or engraved locks.

There are just two other pieces of furniture which are strictly French provincial and which must be mentioned. The first is the kneading trough table. These are now adapted for use in this country as dining room or living room tables. In the provinces they are trough-like structures raised on four or six legs and covered by a hinged top. The other piece is the commode. This is probably the best known of any of the French pieces. It is a chest of drawers mounted on legs and it is usually beautifully ornamented. It has the distinctive Louis XV curves.

THIS has been, perhaps, too much a catalogue of furniture. but if we had been describing English secretaries, or court cupboards, or highboys, we should not have had to more than mention the name to call up a picture of the piece. Furthermore, there is a natural confusion between French sophisticated furniture and the provincial pieces, and it is desirable to show how much the same (and, sometimes, how different) the provincial furniture is in different parts of the country. The most popular wood now is walnut. Nearly all woods have been used—oak, cherry, chestnut, and mahogany.

We have not mentioned the decorative background which, one would think, should come first. But the provinces lack a specific decorative background. The interior walls of the houses were, and are now, usually whitewashed. They were often hung with tapestries, or simulated tapestries, or they were sometimes panelled in wood. In Normandy, to be sure, flock paper was first invented and this material is often used for a wall covering.

For fabrics the most popular material is toile de Jouy, although, of course, the making of needle-point has always been a favorite occupation of the French women. Modern reproductions of French provincial furniture are upholstered in the lighter materials and in the skirting material of the Breton women. Peasant skirts are also used for window draperies.

It is regrettable that the French provincial style was not "discovered" sooner. It has a grace, a natural elegance, and at the same time a"romantic" feeling which insures its popularity. It is something different from our own Colonial, and yet it is not so different as the Mediterranean styles. In other words, it fits our background and at the same time gives us a new foreground.

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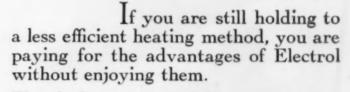
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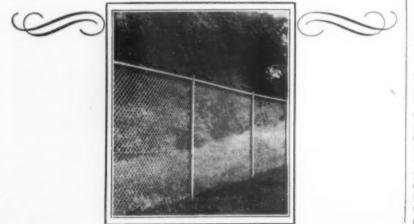
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Another change in heating equipment, which is generally not understood, has taken place in the radiator. For years we have not quite realized that the ordinary cast-iron radiator sent a lot of heat up over our heads and drew cold drafts across the floor where the children played. Even in a room where the temperature is 70 degrees above the floor, it may be as cold as 65 degrees at the floor and as hot as 74 degrees at the floor and as hot as 74 degrees at the ceiling, nine feet high. The heat that goes up to the ceiling does very little good. The constantly rising currents of hot air carry dust particles over the surface of the radiator, where they are charred and then spread over the wall and ceiling like soot.

Now heating engineers are coming forward with a new type of cast-iron radiator. This presents a surface to the room, something like that of the extended bellows of an accordion. Heat radiates in a straight line towards that part of the room where people live. Thus instead of sending most of the heat up to the ceiling, a great deal of it is kept down where it is needed. The back of these radiators is very much like the old type, and warms the air which passes up through them. By placing them under the windows, the column of hot air rising from them can be made to deflect upward the cold air leaking through the window cracks.

Another new type of radiator has been introduced recently. It is known as the extended surface radiator and, in principle, works like the radiator on an automobile. Around a central pipe are arranged fins of brass or copper, which conduct the heat from the steam filled pipe out over their whole surface. This large surface area permits the heat to escape more quickly to passing air currents. For this reason, these non-ferrous radiators can be made very small by comparison. In fact, they can be built inside of the thickness of the wall, under the windows and be covered with a metal grille to hide them. As this covering acts like a flue, the cold air coming in at the bottom and the hot air leaving at the top, the movement of the air over the radiator is accelerated. This more rapid circulation of the air of the room over the radiator causes the heat to be more evenly distributed and so more of it is kept down near the floor.

However, most concealed radiators have the disadvantage that they cannot be readily cleaned and therefore tend to spread dust in the air.

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By adding more pressure to the water in a hot water systems. heat before it boils away. Trouble comes, however, in trying to seal up the water in safety and yet let it expand as it rises in temperature. It is possible now to buy simple attachments that can be put on any hot water system to seal it and add pressure greater than atmospheric. These will cause the water to absorb heat more rapidly, circulate through the house more quickly, and will increase the efficiency of the system.

Heating the house by warm air, carried up through sheet metal ducts in the walls and emitted to the rooms through registers, is an old method of heating that has suffered greatly in reputation, because it is almost impossible to make the hot air go into those rooms on the cold side of the house. Then too the odor of burned dust or mold in the flues is very objectionable. However, a motor-driven fan is now on the market, which can be attached to the front of the return line on the furnace and will force the circulation of the air throughout the house, A screen, covered with a specially prepared sticky stuff can be placed in front of the motor to sift out most of the dust particles before they reach the radiator of the furnace. This filter and fan attachment makes warm air heating an ideal system.

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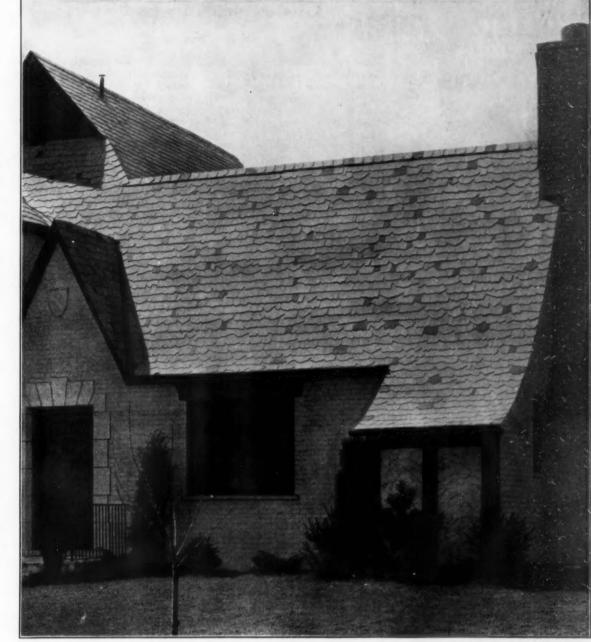
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named varieties are Jacques Callot, Mme. F. Morel, and Belle de Nancy. A later flowering Lilac is Syringa villosa, with loose panicles of a rosy white suggesting the Privet blossoms in form. They are, indeed, close cousins.

Then we have Deutzias, in many varieties of pink or white. Rose Panicled Deutzia (D. gracilis rosea) is dwarf, and Double Rose Deutzia (D. scabra plena) is tall, to mention but two. The shrubs are coarse for effect in the garden, but the flowers are lovely for cutting.

The same might be said of the rose Weigela, whose pink trumpets we all know. The Kolkwitzia, or Beauty Bush, is said to somewhat resemble the Weigelas though it is a bit too new to have had its possibilities popularly recognized.

In early summer, the Rose Acacia (Robinia hispida) appears with drooping wisteria-like clusters of pink, adaptable to sun or shade. The rose Flowering Honeysuckle has blossoms of a most attractive pink, quickly followed by red berries, which, however, as quickly fall or are eaten by birds.

The pink Althea is a conspicuous shrub in August. This should be selected from the nursery when in bloom, as named varieties differ. It also comes in pure white, violet, or red, single or double.

Spiraea Anthony Waterer, though considered plebeian, has big terminal heads of a raspberry pink coming in late summer when flowering shrubs are few.

Another flowering shrub enor-mously overplanted is the Peegee Hydrangea (H. paniculata grandiflora). There is a certain week in late August when its cream-white heads blush a lovely frothy pink, and it is only when they are heavy and faded to an unpleasant green that we weary of it.

Of yellow-flowering shrubs that flower before the leaves, we see the Japanese Witch-hazel sometimes as early as February. The Spicebush, also daintily inconspicuous, we like to picture with Pussy Willows hanging over some dark woodland pool. The Cornelian-cherry (Cornus mas) has a somewhat larger flower followed by hanging red fruits.

But of course, the yellow climax of the spring is the Forsythia. Try the improved F. intermedia spectabilis, with blossoms more abundant and of a richer color. It may be forced in the house in spring and cut sprays kept in warm water bloom in about ten days.

Another early flowering shrub is the Lonicera fragrantissima. As its name would imply, it is more valued for its sweet odor than its beauty. Even more fragrant, and with pretty golden yellow blossoms, is the Flowering Currant (where it is permissible to plant it) coming in May. We also have the golden tassels of the Laburnum; and in early June the smaller yellow flowers of the Siberian Pea (Caragana arborescens).

Scotch Broom (Cytisus scoparius) with spiky dark green sprays and yellow blossoms, may be cut in May or June. The cream-colored variety is charming. Real Roses we may also have-the Rosa hugonis so effective with the pale violet of Persian Lilacs, quickly followed by the larger and more double flowers of the Harison's Yellow, the spinossissima altaica of creamy white, and the richly colored Persian Yellow. There is now a yellow double Rugosa Hybrid named Agnes, very early to bloom. None of these should be cut too drastically

About this time, the brillant gold of the Kerria, the double form, is fully as conspicuous as the Forsythia of spring. Its green twigs, by the way, are a real addition to the winter landscape.

In July, the loose graceful panicles of the Goldenrain-tree (Koelreuteria) hang for several weeks. Then we see the abundant golden stamens of the Shrubby St. John's-wort (Hypericum) which blooms from August on into the fall.

White shrubs are perhaps most charming of all for cutting, and we have countless varieties from which to select. Of those coming before the leaves, the most effective of all is the white form of the Double-flowering Peach, to my mind far more beautiful than the red. A white form of Daphne mezereum comes very early. Spiraea arguta, like a swirl of drifted snow, and the Starry Magnolia of which we may cut sparingly, sometimes come so early that their whiteness is marred by frost.

Old-fashioned Bridalwreath is good but the somewhat coarser Van Houtte Spirea is perhaps better reserved for landscape effect.

In May come sprays of Dogwood, white or pink, and the later flowering Chinese Dogwood (C. kousa). There are Hawthorns white, pink, or deep red; the Silverbell (Halesia); the Snowbell (Styrax); the Lily-of-thevalley tree (Oxydendrum); the glistening white drops of the Pearlbush (Exochorda); the fragrant and very hardy White Fringe (Chionanthus); and Lilacs, old-fashioned common white, hybrids single and double, or and the delicate White Persian.

In June, sweet Syringa (Philadel-phus) may be cut in abundance, and we may choose between the newer hybrids like the big double Virginal, the daintier Lemoine's hybrids, or the scentless kind like P. inodorus or grandiflorus.

Cranberrybush and Elder, principally spoken of for their fruits, have most attractive white blossoms. Viburnums follow along and the fragrant Swamp Honeysuckle (Azalea viscosa).

An unusual native shrub, proved hardy even in New England, is the Stewartia pentagyna, a member of the Camellia family, with saucershaped flowers bearing a mass of golden stamens appearing in mid-July. This one is on the market, but another native, Fothergilla or Bottlebrush shrub, though very striking in appearance cannot be bought at all! Why?

In August the shrubby Sorbarias take the place of the Spireas which have now gone by. Pepperbush (Clethra) grows rampantly in slightly damp situations and gives an abundance of fragrant flowers for bowls in the house. (Continued on page 756)



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Various shrubs with blossoms of other colors are the Smoke-bush; Strawberry-shrub (Calycanthus floridus) with pineapple-scented brownish flowers in spring; and Chinese Lilac with big open heads of violet-blue; the Indigobush (Amorpha fruticosa) with feathery foliage and violet-purple flowers; Chaste-tree (Vitex macrophylla), with five-fingered scented grayish leaves and lavender-blue flowers, blooms from the end of July

To be treated somewhat as herbaceous plants, as they die back, are Buddleias; Elsholtzia stauntoni with spikes of rose-purple and having long exserted stamens; Clematis davidiana with showy tube-like corollas of hyacinth blue appearing in August; Caryopteris mastacanthus or Blue Spirea; and Lespedeza or Bush Clo-ver, of rosy purple, come in the fall, combining effectively with Japan Clematis (C. paniculata).

This brings us to the question of fall planting. Not until the leaves have fallen and the wood is fully ripe may we plant deciduous trees and shrubs. Some of them are notably hardy, such as Lilacs, and endure fall planting well. Tender things such as Magnolias and flowering Dogwoods are better left until spring.

The maintenance of shrubs is far less than that of flowers. They will survive more neglect and will increase in beauty with the years, lending an effect of age and permanence which mere flowers cannot give. They are a godsend to the busy gardener, for dollars wasted in plants that perish without care and coddling would, if invested in flowering trees and shrubs, be returning rich dividends of joy, almost before we are aware.

Two mountain shrubs for the garden

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be obtained at any drug store) put at the base of the plant in a circle at least twelve inches away from the stem of the plant. Where the soil is of acid reaction, one half tablespoonful would be quite sufficient. This treatment should be repeated annually to pro-duce better bloom.

Beds for Rhododendrons should be excavated to a depth of about a foot, and the excavation filled with a mixture of three fifths humus and two fifths good topsoil. The plants should be set about one inch lower than they were previously planted. The depth may be determined by observing the earth collar. This allows for settling of the soil. It is essential that they should not be planted too deeply Then soak with water thoroughly and cover over the bed with a mulch of hardwood leaves, like oak. This mulch should be renewed annually and allowed to remain throughout the year as it keeps the ground cool in summer and warm in winter and serves to protect the Rhododendrons from extremes of temperature. In extremely exposed and northern

(Canadian) locations give special care to Rhododendrons during winter, by filling in with straw almost to the top of the plants and removing it in spring. The straw is not to be packed tightly as there must be ventilation at all times. It may be necessary to build a board fence around the bed or at the border of the shrubbery, but in other localities a basket-weave hurdle fencing could easily be erected with stakes and taken down in the summer. Burlap sacking stretched between stakes is also effective but unsightly.

Mountain Laurel (Kalmia latifolia) grows well as far north as it may be found native in the woods. It attains a height of ten feet and during the latter part of May and early June bears clusters of pinkish-white flowers. June It lends itself to woodland planting and makes an attractive undergrowth or it may be massed in the shrubbery with Rhododendrons. It is a very

hardy broad-leaved evergreen that stands shaded locations very well.

Native Rhododendrons are well adapted for planting for a screen effect, for massing, for a foundation planting, or for a woodland setting. The Catawba Rhododendron and the Hydrids have really showy flowers about the same time as Mountain Laurel (June); the white Rhododendron maximum blooms almost month later, but should really be valued chiefly for its foliage effectthe flowers are less showy. Rhododendron maximum grows quite tall. Rhododendrons make a pleasant contrast of color when planted near darkfoliaged coniferous evergreens. They do equally well either in partial or full shade, but need moisture and do not relish strong winds. Rhododendron catawabiense is well

suited to woodland planting as far north as the New England states and bears profuse masses of rose-lavender blooms in late spring. This is the forerunner of many of the hardy "hy-brids." There is also a white-flowered variety of this.

The Carolina Rhododendron is a compact dwarf plant never attaining more than eight feet in height. It bears rosy-pink flowers in great profusion. This is the only native Rhododendron which can withstand sunshine and is well suited either for planting as a single specimen, for massing, or as a foreground for a bed of the larger Rhododendrons.

All too often we see Rhododendrons, planted close up to new house foundations, languish and die. The cause of failure may be deduced from what has been said-perhaps lack of moisture at the roots due to drainage by the house foundation; perhaps lack of humus; perhaps lime has been worked into the soil in the building operations by a back fill of mortar and plaster subsoil. Remember the essentials: soil moisture, humus, acid soil reac-tion, and moderate shelter. Mulch newly set plants, always.



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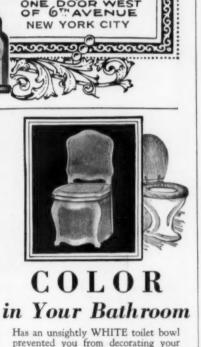
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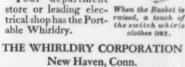
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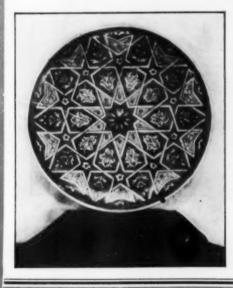
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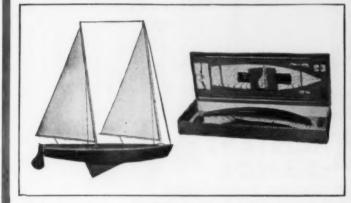
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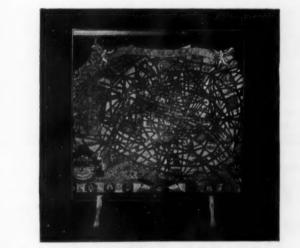
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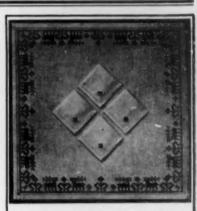
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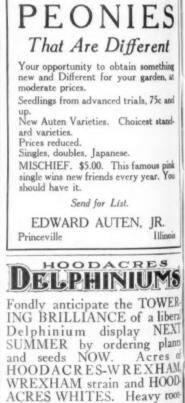


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HEN even an experienced gardener makes a radical change in his location, he has a lot of old things to unlearn, to say nothing of the new wrinkles he has to acquire, concerning the behavior and cultivation of plants in a radically different region. Traveling directly East and West the changes may not be so momentous, but let the northern gardener go down into the Lower South and he has to begin all over again. Not only are there different plants to fit the different climates, but very often the old-time favorites, the very backbone of the plantings in the Northern region, refuse to grow, or they behave in an entirely different manner. He is "all at sea." The confusion and unsettlement of time-honored garden precepts have proved a disturbing factor to those who have gone South, into Florida, for instance, in the last few years and have carried northern traditions with them. Their northern knowledge is

often a handicap. The one great difference between the North and the South is that in the North gardening is a very markedly seasonal undertaking with growth suspended for about half the year, whereas in the Lower South gardening is a year-round activity, a twelve-month continuous performance. So the recent publication of a book, a veritable manual, *Gardening in the Lower South*, by H. Harold Hume is an event of real significance.

Mr. Hume is particularly well qualified to present the subject, for he has been actively engaged in horticultural activities in Florida for several years past; first, in a professional educational capacity, and more recently in the direction of a large nursery. He knows his South, and he knows his subject. So this new book (Macmillan Co., New York, price \$5.00) comes with a background of real experience and authority.

Anyone gardening in the Lower South, that is, beginning with the region surrounding Charleston, S. C., southward and westward around the Gulf of Mexico, will find this publication a compendium of both practice and material. These two factors are coördinated, and a good deal could be said here in emphasizing the essential differences between the gardening of the North and of the South. The application of the same principle may result in a reversed practice. In every page the book emphasizes the impropriety of trying to adapt Northern materials to Southern gardens; thus:

"The cultivation of dry soil and climate, perennial, woody or herbaceous

The patio garden of Mrs. Arthur Claflin at Palm Beach, designed by Addison Mizner, has an atmosphere quite different from the accepted manner of the North. (Photograph by F. E. Giesler, N. Y.)

plants, such as the Brooms, Arizona Cypress, Tamarix, Bearded Iris, and the Sages . . . usually ends in failure."

The complications of climate, temperature, rainfall, that bring about the difference are discussed in a very elucidating manner, so much so that there are many lessons on the fundamentals of plant growth as adapted to garden conditions that make the book well worth studying for even the Northern gardener. I don't know of another book of this kind that so completely presents the fundamental backgrounds of plant behavior from the garden viewpoint as to why different types of plants fit different conditions.

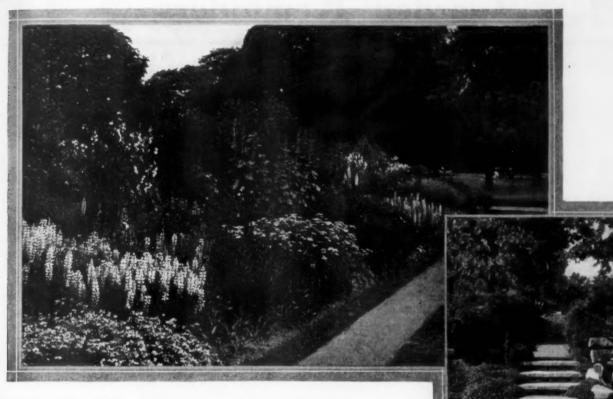
The soil of this entire Lower South region is definitely acid, which of itself is a limiting factor. Generally speaking, the use of lime on the soils of the whole South is upsetting and detrimental; but it is not so much the soil condition as the climatic difference that has to be studied in developing a typical Southern garden style from the material available.

"On the whole, it is best for the garden maker in the Lower South to be very cautious in the use of lime. The probability is that, covering the wide range of plants in which he is interested and which it is possible to grow, lime may do decidedly more harm than good."

Even the planting seasons are different and we learn that a good many annuals are to be sown in the autumn while others are to be sown in spring. A few are fitted to both times. The change of seasonal activity has to be learned by the Northerner who goes into the new region. The best of all annuals, we are told, and the easiest to establish is Gaillardia, with Phlox and Coreopsis following. Quite a number of the annuals and perennials that adorn the northern garden, especially the "old-fashioned" garden, must be discarded so that the whole scheme of composition and material is changed and must be learned anew in a new environ-

ment. A good many of the perennials in the old-fashioned Northern border are annuals in the South. The English Daisy and the Garden Larkspur are conspicuous examples. Mr. Hume has covered the subject thoroughly and given the South an entirely new and comprehensive manual as well as a text book of gardening.

Some stress is put on extending the Northern plants into the Southern belt. It is desirable to get stock from the Southern extreme of the natural region and of course vice versa, which corroborates the experience we have had in trying to grow in the North some of the specially selected varieties of native American Holly originating in the Lower South. Not one of them has survived more than a couple of years.

No one can doubt that there is a new era of gardening opening in the Lower South, because the very plants themselves have yet to be brought into acquaintance. "No region in the United States is richer in its varied herbaceous plants than the Lower South. Practically throughout the year there is a succession of bloom. Many of the native annual and perennial plants are (continued on page 780) 

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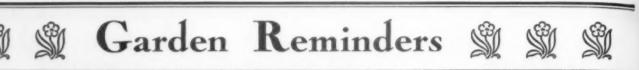
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In gardening a date can only be approximated. Generally the latitude of forty degrees at sea level and a normal season is taken as standard. Roughly, the season advances or recedes fifteen miles a day, thus Albany would be about ten days later than New York (which is latitude 42).

NORTH

The Flower Garden. This is the best month to plant Peonies. If you haven't ordered bulbs for fall planting, next month may

be too late. Prepare the beds for the bulbs. Plant Madonna Lilies. Sow Sweet-peas for next summer.

Move perennials which have finished flowering, so that they will be ready for next year.

Let some annuals go to seed, so that you may be able to propagate your favorites. Take root cuttings of Anemone japonica.

It will soon be time to give protection to annuals from early

frost; get material ready. Gather material for mulching. Most perennials may now

be divided, especially Phlox and Peonies.

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- Take cuttings of Rockcress, Pinks, etc., and place in coldframe.
- Pansies, Forget-me-nots, and Bellis sown in August may now be transplanted.
- Continue to spray Chrysanthemums and apply liquid manure to them. Stake them.
- The Vegetable Garden. Sow early Cauliflower, to be transplanted into frames when weather becomes cold.
- Red Top and White Flat Dutch Turnips may still be planted early this month.

Earth up Celery.

- Tie up Endive for blanching.
- Sow Lettuce for transplanting to frames.
- Sow Cabbage for transplanting.
- If frost threatens, pick tomatoes, whether ripe or green.
- Gather onions as tops ripen. Dry them and put them away for use through the winter.

Dig hills up when Potatoes die down.

- At first sign of frost pull up Tomato vines by roots and hang in cellar. Larger ones will ripen.
- Harvest melons, pumpkins, squashes and put them where frost cannot affect them.
- Cover tender vegetables to protect them from heavy frost.

Miscellaneous. Pick apples as they ripen.

Save leaves, dead branches, etc., for compost pile.

Cut out old canes of berries.

Pick pears while firm, not letting them ripen on the tree. Cut lawns before frost sets in.

Water evergreens well.

Lawns may still be sown.

Give hedges their last clipping.

Transplant shrubs.

PREPARE FOR FALL PLANTING

No GARDENER in the northern states has ever passed a bed of Peonies in full bloom without vowing that "next year I'll have some just as handsome."

Now is the time to start to fulfill that wish and carry out that resolution. There is no better time than September to plant Peonies in the north.

The Peony is a vigorous grower and so prolific that it is criminal to stunt its growth—and that is exactly what many persons do. It is not much more difficult to plant this flower correctly than it is to do it erroneously, yet many gardeners do not take the time to learn its requirements.

The soil must be rich enough to supply the plant with adequate food and moisture. If the soil is not naturally endowed with phosphorus and potash, these elements must be supplied in the form of fertilizer. The bed must be deeply plowed or trenched. Peony roots should come from good stock.

Briefly, the requirements are: good stock; deep, moist loam; plenty of water; applications of bonemeal and top dressing of manure; planting about two or three inches below the surface; plenty of sunshine; protection from frost; frequent spraying with bordeaux.

With strict attention to these principles, your Peonies should blossom well. During the growing season the plants should bear several blossoms. If they do not, there is something wrong. They will not bloom freely, however, until established in the soil at least two years.

> Get Strawberry bed ready for planting next month. Pile up leaves and branches for the compost heap. Get the garden in good condition.

THE WEST COAST

Plant Crocus bulbs in beds.

Plant spring bulbs now. You will want some Freesias, Snowdrops, Watsonias, Jonquils, Daffodils, Chinese Lilies, and Callas.

Take cuttings of Japanese Privet, Camellia, Barberry, Rhododendron, Myrtle, Veronica, and Cotoneaster.

- Plant Iris (Dutch, Spanish, and English varieties).
- Irrigate Chrysanthemum beds and apply fertilizer.

Prune Roses lightly.

Put Cyclamen in semi-shade.

Seedlings may be transplanted (those sown in August) to larger boxes as soon as sufficiently advanced.

Sow Sweet-peas for spring blossom.

The latitude of Philadelphia is a week earlier. Also allow four days for each degree of latitude, for each five degrees of longitude, and for each 400 feet of altitude. Latitude 40 approximates a line through Philadelphia, Pa.; Columbus, Ohio; Richmond, Ind.; Quincy, Ill., Denver, Colo.

SOUTH

The Flower Garden. In the far south this is the month to start the garden.

Spray the whole garden with lime-sulphur. Clean up.

Plant more Freesia bulbs. Set out Peonies.

Still time to repot Oxalis, Cyclamen, and Little Gem Calla. Change location of perennials that didn't do well the past season. Give the Poppy bed bonemeal and put some well-rotted leaves

over the plants. Plant hardy annuals and perennials. Set out seeds of Nasturtium and winter blooming Sweet-peas

for color on the Christmas table. Stocks and Snapdragon

- should be cut back now. Plant Iris, Oxalis, and Hemerocallis.
- Have your Tulip and Hyacinth bulbs arrived yet? It soon will be time to plant them.
- Chrysanthemum time will be here in its full glory soon. Pick off foliage at the bottom of the stems. Keep one head to a stalk, and water daily. Spray with soap suds.
- For perfect blossoms on Chrysanthemums, cover with cheese cloth the last of the month to protect flowers from dust and rain.
- The Vegetable Garden. Sow vegetables to be used for salads.
- Keep ground between rows friable. Sow Onions.
- Still time to sow Beans and English Peas.
- Miscellaneous. Frequent weeding will be necessary. Get rid of winter weeds.

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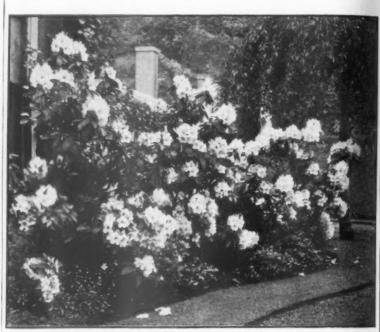
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with the rest of the planting. The best place for large shrubs and trees is as a background for the borders, as a screen for objectional views, or to lend privacy to the garden.

Careful planning of the shrubbery screen or background will consider the desirable height, depending on whether it is to be pruned into a formal effect or allowed to grow naturally with just sufficient trimming to keep it within bounds. Except for formal pruned hedges, it is generally more desirable to select flowering shrubs, since they not only fulfill their function as background or screen, but add greatly to the colors in the garden with their bloom. Here, again, careful planning will count. There are shrubs that bloom at various seasons and

or two feet. For the lawn there should be several inches of good topsoil or it will have a serious struggle.

Even with good soil, careful pre paration will pay. When you have located the borders and shrub plant. ing upon the place, dig the soil to a depth of eighteen inches and thoroughly pulverize. If a supply of well. rotted barnyard manure is available it may be added liberally to the lower half of the eighteen inches. No manure should come in contact with roots at planting time. Place it down deep, where the roots may go after it. In lieu of manure, add compost, leaf mold, pulverized peat moss, or com-mercial humus. Heavy clay soils or light sand will both benefit by the addition of humus.



Rhododendrons insist on a soil free from lime. Pink Pearl, one of the most beautiful, but among the less hardy kinds, in Mr. Peter Kerr's garden at Portland, Ore.

with blossoms in many colors. Fall coloring and winter berry effects must be considered, too.

In making the garden plan, do not overdo it. Each part of the garden must harmonize with every other part. You may desire a wall garden or a rock garden, but unless they may be included to complete the picture as a whole, they had better be left out. The same thing applies to a water garden. Planning to include these things in the average level city lot is not easy.

An important hidden quality in a successful garden is the preparation of the soil before planting. You do not see this part in the completed picture, but if the plants are to grow right and develop through the years, this must not be neglected. You will have great difficulty in getting a worthwhile garden in the soil excavated for the basement. By adding humus in the form of well-rotted manures, leaf mold, or similar fertilizers, you may build up this soil; but much better results will be obtained by discarding it and hauling in good garden loam.

The soil where a hardy border or shrubbery is to be planted should be good to a depth of eighteen inches

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In a sheltered location (preferably with northern exposure) you may pla to use some Rhododendrons. Her you must make special soil prepara tion. They will not tolerate lime nor an alkaline soil. It must be acid. If your is a limestone section, you may be able to grow them by digging large holes twice the size and depth that would or dinarily be needed for the plant, and filling with soil rich with humus to which has been added one-third by bulk of pulverized peat moss. Then the entire bed should be mulched with leaves to a depth of six inches and each year the mulch added to as it rots down. But the chance are that ultimately the persistent a kaline soil will overcome the acidity This happened at Highland Park Rochester, N. Y., where in a limeston region splendid Rhododendrons wer grown for many years in specially pre pared soil.

It is just as important to know what to leave out of the garden a what to put in. The planning and building of a garden requires discrim-ination. There is a vast difference in the qualities of various flowers. Take the family of Rudbeckia for example Golden Glow, one of the coarse flowers, (continued on page 78)

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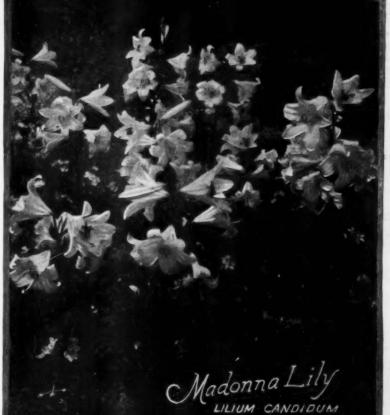
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Hidden qualities of a good garden

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belongs here. There are some large gardens that may have use for it, but there are many better things. Belonging to the same family is the Purple Coneflower (Rudbeckia or Echinacea purpurea), which, while not refined, is still an artistic flower. A few plants here and there throughout the borders will be attractive. It is not a rampant grower like Golden Glow and seems to know its place.

In many other ways we must select the material we plant in our borders. When we first embark upon the adventure of gardening, our meager knowledge may lead us to plant almost anything, but, as our experience grows, we learn what is good and what is not. Allow only the better flowers to occupy space in your borders. The average amateur gardener is so busy with countless things besides the garden, however much he would like to devote whole days to it, that it is better for him to have a small border of choice plants, well cared for, than to have a large one that is neglected. It is better to have twenty-five fine Roses and cultivate them every day than to have a hundred ordinary Roses and cultivate only when the weeds demand it.

When you enjoy the glorious masses of color in the garden, do you realize the painstaking care required to obtain them? Borders must not only be planned and planted so that the var-ious groups blend and harmonize with each other, but the season of bloom must be so distributed that all sections of the border will have some color at all times. While most of the plants may be divided into spring, summer, and fall blooming varieties, the planting arrangement should be

such that the entire border shall have the appearance of being in bloom all of the time. To do this, the plants must be set rather close togetheranother reason for careful preparation of the soil.

In order to have masses of color in the spring, bulbs must be planted in the fall. As they are put five to seven inches deep, annuals may be planted right over them for summer and fall color, thus actually getting almost a continuous season of bloom from the same space.

Many of the annual flowers may be depended upon to bloom from mid. summer till frost. A half dozen of these should be used in the borders by the hundreds. If started indoors they may be had in bloom quite early. Here's the list: Calendula, Larkspur, Marigold, Petunia, Verbena, and Zinnia. There are probably as many more that have long seasons of bloom but that are not as universally satisfactory as these. Among the perennials blooming for a long season are, Coreopsis, Gaillardia, Shasta Daisy, Forget-me-not, Violas, and Violets. Two others that bloom several times if cut back and fed well are Delphinium and Hardy Phlox. A good border will contain these in generous quantities, and a great many other things.

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Lastly the good garden must have intelligent care. Most of the so-called "gardener's luck" is simply knowing how. It is the constant attention to the little things that makes a garden a real success. It may be timely pruning here and there, the transplanting of some annuals from an overcrowded place to one that is bare of color, or a thorough watering at the right time

In and about the garden

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closely related to species grown in gardens the world over. There are Coreopsis, Helenium, Helianthus, Aster, Solidago, Liatris, Eryngium, Gerardia, Pentstemon, Salvia, Rudbeckia, and Tradescantia. These natives are the equals in possibilities and often in beauty and quality of many now cultivated," says Mr. Hume. I can readily follow his enthusiasm and agree that "there is no reason why many of them should not be grown in gardens."

SALVAGING THE GARDEN

THE need of house plants for the win-ter is fundamental, and yet there is nothing of which we tire so easily as the plant which eternally sits in one jardinière like some apartment house 'table fern'," writes one of my readers, J. Monta Lee, and that is, of course, quite true. A practical sugges-tion is then offered. "But I have no conservatory to take care of my winter needs, therefore I place my wicker porch table (after October it must be brought in to the store room anyway) in a corner of the den so that it gets the light from two windows. On it I place a large traytwenty-five-cent affair enameled black.

"Now for the plants themselves. In August I begin to think about my winter pots for the plants must be all well rooted out of doors before bringing in. You may say they need not be, but this is the point : this tray is a continuation of the garden and should be hardy when brought in.

"I leave out the bulb story, for that is an old story and has been well covered. It goes without saying that I use bulbs of many kinds. But this timely reminder is for the saving of the garden. Many annuals are in full bloom, will stand thinning, and will bloom for many months if brought indoors. A pot of Sweet Alyssum makes a festive showing. Then there may be cuttings made; also small perennial seedlings which ought to be thinned out. These latter ones may only make a showing of green but with a group of plants very little needs to actually bloom. I started some fire Hydrangeas from cuttings late one summer, kept them all winter, and planted them out in our mild spring.

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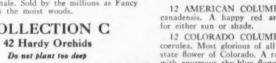
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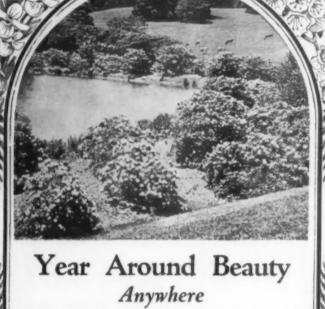
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Home grown fragrant Violets

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Wales. This variety, when available, should be of interest to the Violet enthusiast.

The coldframe is the most inexpensive of greenhouses and provides a place where Violets are happiest. Here the ground is always moist, and even on hot days the shade of the frame shutters gives the cool conditions that are essential to success. The frame is usually built in a protected spot and on sunny days in winter the Violets get the advantage of sunshine and the warmth of the protecting snows.

The plants, unless you are growing them from little divisions, may be planted any time during the fall from September first to December. Naturally, the longer the plants are established before the blooming time, the better results you will have. In preparing the ground in the frame, see to it that you have a soil of some texture. Good pasture sods, wellpulverized and mixed with twentyfive per cent of well-rotted manure is just the soil Violets want. The Single varieties seem to do best on cow manure, while the Double ones preferhorse manure. Avoid commercial fertilizers entirely, as the chemicals are likely to burn the delicate roots.

Not only do the Double and Single varieties prefer different sorts of food, but after planting, they vary considerably in the care required. The Dou-ble Violet begins to bloom normally the last of October, and the frame should be provided with sash for night use and a little shade during the day, if the sun is bright. The aim, with varieties such as Marie Louise should be to keep a constant night temperature of from 40 to 45 degrees, allowing all the fresh air possible. In early December you should have fine flowers; and, if you are in a section where this temperature can be maintained, you should have your own Christmas Violets. If you find that the cold is too much for you, it is advisable to let them freeze solid, and then protect the frame for a month or so until the late winter sun begins to warm things, when you can start them on the spring blooming season. The thing to avoid is alternate freez-ings and thawings, which may not kill the plant, but will stop its blooming until the following season.

For single Violets a slightly different course is pursued. The Doubles will be set some eight inches apart in the bed, but the Singles should be given as much as a foot or more, as the growth is very rank. This growth will continue as long as there are no frosts, and it is the purpose of one we two good freezings to stop the growth and thus tend to make the plants start budding. The first blooms will come somewhat later than with the Doubles. If very severe weather sets in soon after the first frosts, it might be well to let them freeze solid, then protect the frame and leave until later winter, as with Doubles.

These instructions and precautions are given for northern sections, but readers will realize that south of Philadelphia the blooming season should be constant. It may even be continued in the cold sections if the plants are in a cool greenhouse, or if some gentle heat could be provided for the frame. But in the case of Single Violets, do not allow the night temperature to range higher than 38 to 42 degrees.

To go into many further details of Violet culture would require many pages, for the commercial grower has many "do's" and "don'ts" that he thinks make for success. Watering is very important and should be done thoroughly, when done at all, and usually right after the flowers have been picked. Semi-monthly is often enough in a frame in midwinter, but as spring advances, the Violet becomes thirsty and the moisture should be watched if you want continued bloom. Mulching the plants in the fall with pulverized manure is good and keeps the flowers clean as well as feeding the plants.

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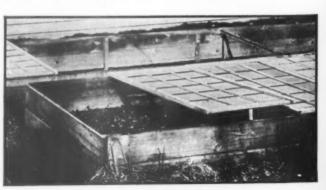
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Bugs and diseases will find their way to Violets as well as to other plants, but if you start with everything clean and all the boards whitewashed, and spray for aphis during the summer, you will not have undue worry about pests. One of the greatest causes of trouble with Violets is insufficient ventilation. Chance a slight freezing in mid-winter rather than stille the plants in a humid atmosphere. Give all the air possible every day, and some at night.

It may be that you can not have or do not want to use a coldframe for Violets and yet want to have the best varieties in your garden. This you can do if you will remember to give them a partly shaded, sheltered position where some sun can come in during the early spring. If you live in a cold climate, protect the plants during the winter with hemlock boughs or oak leaves. If you are accustomed to caring for Digitalis or Campanula, you will find the same kind of care will suffice for Violets.



The coldframe is the simplest form of greenhouse and is really all that is necessary to raise Violets

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persistent spreader for my garden, so I have had to banish it, but where there is ample space it is a worthy subject.

Sweet Cicely makes a lovely ground cover in soil that it likes, and to mitigate the evil of its pestilential seed-pods I use a sickle freely just after it flowers. It is charming planted along with Mertensia in a shrubbery. Both these plants make a spring cover in thickets so dense that no cover is needed by the time they have disappeared.

There is a Violet to suit almost any soil; and the beauty of the leaves of Violets is not appreciated enough. I have a deep purple variety—a reddish-purple, the original stock of which came from a swampy riverbottom. It grows to greater advantage on high ground, with clay subsoil, and in my New England garden it flourishes so that the leaves are almost too exuberant. It stays green late into the summer, and sometimes bears that little second crop of flowers in early November which makes the gardener's heart almost hurt!

To a neighbor whose garden held a stubbornly bare spot, I gave some roots of Jacob's-ladder (Polemonium reptans). Originally brought from dry and well-drained woods, it accommodated itself to very disconcerting surroundings, seeded itself and spread, and its progeny has adorned her garden and mine for twenty years. I use this little plant a great deal. As a border in front of either Clara Butt or Dream (Darwin) Tulip, it gives my eyes a pleasant thrill, and (this is advice for the *patient* gardener) after bloom I grasp each plant firmly and "bob its hair" with garden shears. It sends out fresh green leaves that last practically all summer. If allowed to seed, it soon makes a ground cover.

Another cheerful spreader, rather coarse, but handsome in its place, is the Waterleaf (Hydrophyllum macrophyllum). I have a group of these plants naturalized among Elderberry bushes, and they have vitality enough to hold their own against the Elder's encroaching roots.

These are but a few of the plants which suggest themselves as variants for Pachysandra. Probably a dozen others will occur to the mind of any thoughtful gardener. At any rate try to develop something new, autocthonous, with tints that harmonize with the shrubbery and trees where you are planting. If in the process you develop a stock of some of our fast diminishing native wild flowers, so that you have not only all you need but enough to pass on to others, you will earn a very special sort of garden blessing.

Catching the judge's eye

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Dahlia is a sportsman's flower, and it is in the spirit of sport that one should exhibit. You will enjoy the experience.

On arrival at the show room if any of the flowers have wilted, put them into hot, but not boiling, water. It should be hot enough to be uncomfortable to your hand, but still endurable. Before putting them in the water, cut a short piece off the end of the stem to remove air-filled cells, so that the bloom can pull the water through the stem. Leave them in this warm water for fifteen minutes.

If you need help in staging, ask for it from the show committee. That is what the show committee is for, and many times when an exhibitor stages in the wrong class he loses a prize that might have been won. Stage blooms of uniform quality in classes calling for two blooms or more. There is a temptation for every amateur exhibitor who has one big, choice bloom to include it in spite of the fact that it upsets the uniformity of the exhibit as a whole. With other points equal, three or six blooms of uniform size in good condition, even though not so large, will win over an entry with one or two monster blooms and other small ones to keep them company.

Of course, judges make mistakes, but I dare say that in most instances the judges are correct in their awards. The sooner you learn to ask them in a fair manner why they made their decisions, the more fun you will have out of the show and the more you will learn. The judges are very conscientious in making their awards, and a fair question or two, after decisions have been made, will teach the exhibitor a great deal.

 $\mathbf{N}^{\mathrm{o}\,\mathrm{set}\,\mathrm{rule}\,\mathrm{may}}$ be given for exhibit-ing in the artistic arrangement classes. One of the most successful exhibitors in these classes, and incidentally an excellent judge herself, recently said that there was no definite rule by which such classes could be judged, despite the fact that the Garden Club of America has set down such rules. Entering in an 'artistic arrangement" class is not only a matter to bring out one's best sporting instincts, but in addition it is a gamble and somewhat a matter of luck. These classes are the source of more conversation in a fall flower show than any one other item. Try to live up to the wording of the premium list, and then give your artistic sense free rein to express your personality and originality in such an arrangement. These arrangements have brought an entirely new keynote into the flower show game. If one wants to realize how easily opinions can differ, it is necessary only to watch the judges when they make their decisions on these classes.

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If you have never seen a big Dahlia show, regardless of whether you are growing Dahlias or not, you have a treat in store for you. Throughout America there are a number of these fall flower shows which are well worth visiting. New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Trenton, Camden, Baltimore, Red Bank, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hartford, New Haven, and a number of other cities stage big shows. Se

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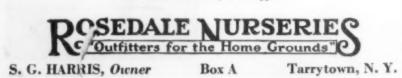
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If planted in the fall, the stolons can be broadcast; but if started in the spring, it is better to plant in rows six to eight inches apart so that the weeds can be hoed until the plants have covered the surface between the rows.

In starting a Bent lawn the best results will be obtained if this plan is followed closely: pulverize the soil thoroughly to a depth of four to six inches and then firm with a roller so as to re-establish capillary attraction. Have this much of the work finished before the stolons arrive. Just before broadcasting the stolons, loosen the top inch of the soil lightly with a rake. After broadcasting the stolons, roll them with a small corrugated roller to push them down into the loose top soil, and cover them with one-fourth inch of black dirt. If you do not have such a roller, use the ordinary lawn roller. After this is done, thoroughly soak—all but float away the yard—with water for a week.

When the new Bent grass has reached a height of three to four inches, mow with the blades set to cut about three inches from the ground. Each successive cutting can be a little shorter until you have the grass at the height you want it.

Why doesn't that tree bear fruit?

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from one's state experiment station as to the effectiveness of the introduced variety in pollinating the tree. Bloom will have to be brought in for several years until the graft or bud has produced flowers.

If it is found that the nearest source of foreign pollen is quite distant from the non-bearing tree and there is considerable doubt as to whether the bees visit this source or an equally good one, it is best to introduce foreign pollen into the trees. Cut a few branches from another effective variety of the same fruit when the flowers are beginning to open and place in water under or in the tree to be pollinated.

Trees that are bearing flowers must have sufficient plant food materials if they are to produce a harvest of large, good quality fruit. All fruits suffer alike from lack of nourishment. Pruning and fertilization are the common methods used to overcome the temporary insufficiency of food materials.

Applications of fertilizer are necessary for fruit trees growing in grass. In case of a very poor soil a complete fertilizer may be of benefit. However, nitrogen is the only fertilizer element that consistently gives a favorable response in the development of flowers into fruits. Nitrate of soda and sulphate of ammonia are two common fertilizers containing only nitrogen.

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The usual time of application is two to three weeks before the tree is in bloom. The amount to be applied depends on a number of factors such as the growth and appearance of the tree, its age, the fertility of the soil, and whether or not the tree is planted in grass. As an abitrary rule, at least one quarter of a pound for each year of the tree's age should be applied. The fertilizer should be scattered not at the base of the trunk but under the tree as far as the drip of the branches.

Pruning often has a marked effect in increasing the number of fruits, providing the tree is suffering from a lack of nutritive materials. The pruning may be done any time from December to April. It should consist not in the cutting out of large limbs but of the well-distributed thinning out of small branches.

The ravages of insects and diseases

may cause the flowers and partially developed fruits to fall, but these do not account for complete failures, except in rare instances. At the present time hand dusters and dusting materials are so easily obtainable that there is little excuse for losing any appreciable number of flowers or partially developed fruits from depredations of insects.

Low temperatures during the winter, and late spring frosts often account for failure. The earliest blooming fruits usually suffer most from late frosts. Peaches, Sweet Cherries, and Apricots are killed more often than Sour Cherries, Plums, Quinces, Pears, and Apples. The flowers killed in the unopened bud may slough off unnoticed when the bud opens. If the pistil only is injured, they may continue to develop although incapable of producing fruit.

In the center of each flower is the style, a thread-like structure surrounded by the yellow pollen-carrying stamens. If either this style or the region around the seed cavities is brown and discolored, the flower will not develop into a fruit.

Detection of injury is easy if one examines the style and makes a transverse cut through the fleshy part of the flower in the region of the seed cavities.

The age of the tree has been com-monly blamed for many failures to fruit that were due to other causes. The youth of the tree is responsible for non-bearing only during the first few years of flowering. If a tree has once produced a number of fruits. subsequent failures must be sought among other causes. Not until one has satisfied himself that all other conditions are favorable and that the young tree has never produced fruits should the failure to set fruit be laid to the youth of the tree. It is unfortunate that little can be done until the age of the tree is determined. One must wait until flowering does result in fruit development. Usually this is only two to three years.

The unfruitful tree is not merely willful; it simply demands understanding. Now is the time to consider the past failure with a view to future success.

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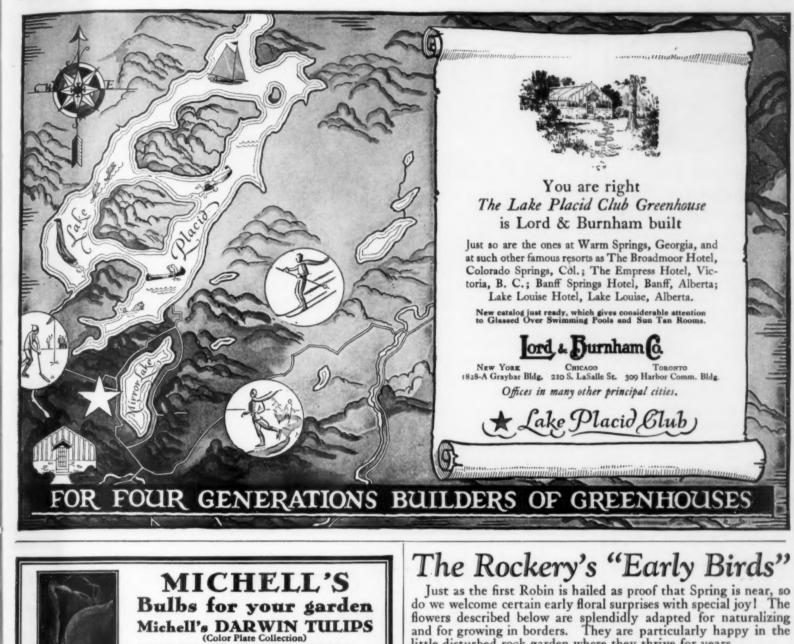
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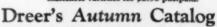
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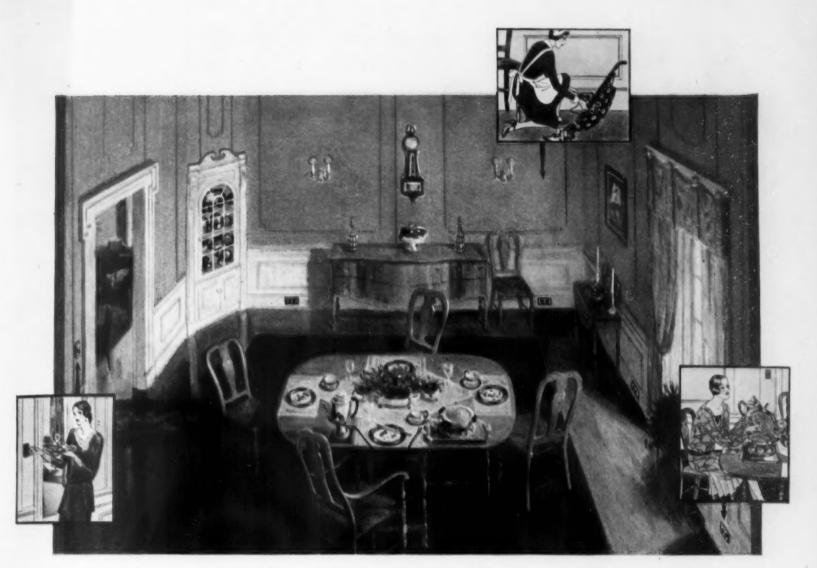
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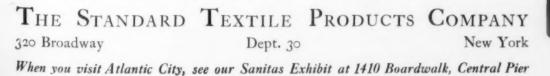
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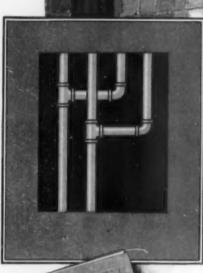




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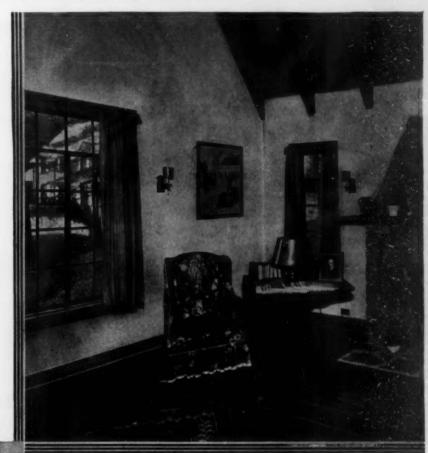
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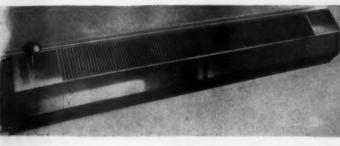
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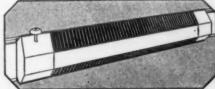
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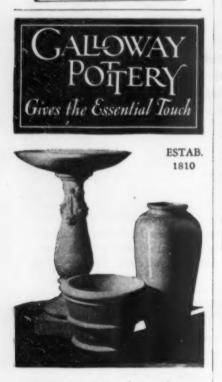
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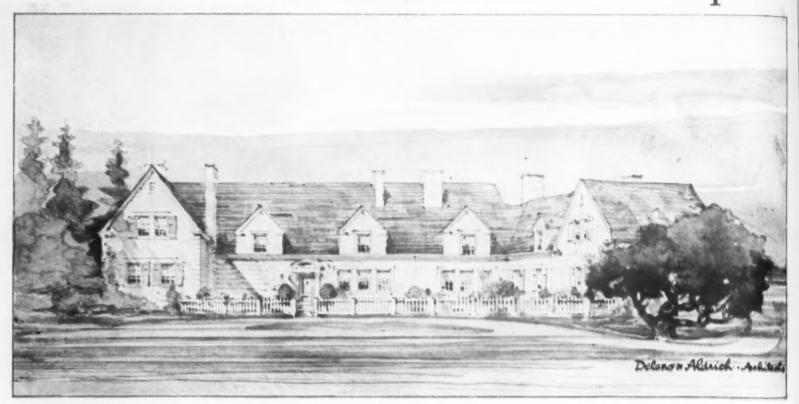


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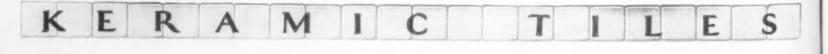
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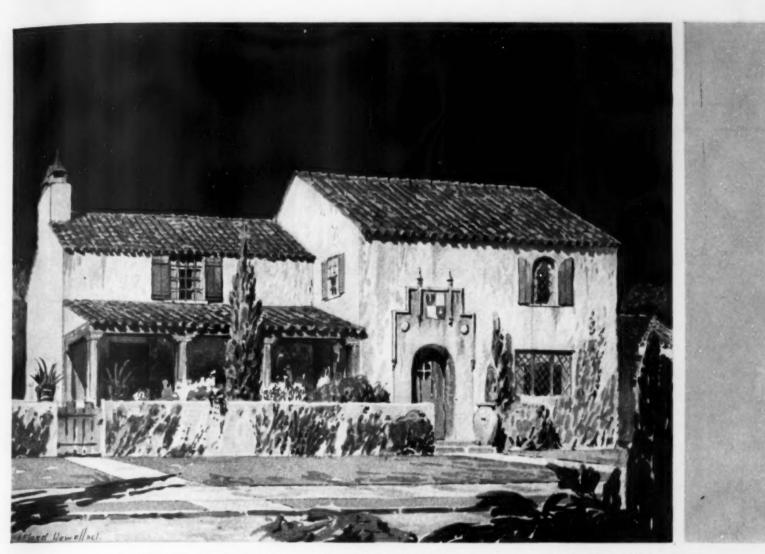
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#### The American Hon

"And the night shall be filled with music, And the cares that infest the day Shall fold their tents like the Arabs, And as silently steal away."



200-K-5



281-K-2



### Someday You'll Know...

 that lighting fixtures make or mar the appearance of a home.

- that atmosphere, beauty, and home-comfort depend to a large extent upon lighting fixtures.

- that it pays to select your lighting fixtures with care.

This is a perplexing age. There are many distracting influences when building or modernizing a home. Don't think you CAN'T make mistakes — you CAN!

Play safe — to assure lasting satisfaction in your home, insist upon Moe-Bridges Lighting Fixtures.

Correctness of style, sturdiness of construction, and quality of finish have been built into every Moe-Bridges fixture by master craftsmen.

And the Moe-Bridges UNLIMITED GUARANTEE positively insures permanent satisfaction.

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### Therefore\_ This Is Not A Bed-Time Story About A Day-Time Boiler (It's Just Plain Everyday Common Sense)

LET'S cut out all the frills, all the fairy tales, all the all-front-and-no-back about this something you call "the heating question." Let's be a bit old fashioned, and allow two-and-two-to-make-four once again, as a guide in helping your decision.

If you are a woman, no one knows better than you, that painting flowers on the handle of an egg beater does not make the cream whip any quicker.

If you are a man, you know full well that gaily decorating your lawn mower's handle, or enclosing its innards in sound-proof casings, has nothing to do with the grass it will cut.



Both of you, therefore, can but agree that dolling up a boiler in tailor-made jackets in color has not a thing to do with the cosy comfort heat that ought to be in your bathroom winter mornings. About all such jackets do is put on looks. Looks are all right, but let's not mistake it for performance.

Admittedly, below is a "photo from life" of a Burnham Boiler all dolled up in "gladsome rags." But strip off all its gladsomeness and you'll find the same everyday-common-sense-contentment-giving Burnham it has always been. The same long fire travel that has made such short coal bills. The same dependable, easy

> working, good natured Burnham, "unspoiled by clothes."

You may, if you wish, have it without all its gladsome rags. Have it in either the round or square shape. There seems to be a feeling that for the average home the round boiler has something to be said in its favor.

But be that as it may, why decide one way or the other; for this boiler or that; until you have the essential comparative facts before you.

Not, mind you, the usual, dreary, boilerish ones. But just the sort of ones you and your neighbor might exchange, if one of you knew more than the other about something.

All of which you'll find is found in "Letters To and Fro." It's a book based on the letters of eight people about their own heating equipment. Letters giving their strong points, and anon a bit about some that are downright weak. Am not so sure but that the weak ones are the strongest. They unquestionably point out what to avoid.

So if it's the everyday, common-sense side of heating you are interested in, we will be glad to send you this "Letters To and Fro" book. VINGTON Or answer any query you may have. In any event, it's Cosy Comfort Heat we and Fro want to help you have, not just sell a boiler.

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