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member that there is still music in the world, that truth and beauty have survived innumerable onslaughts of violence and barbarism. And we need to teach our children to remember. All of us know now, as some of us long

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have known, that our material possessions are as chaff in the wind. The only things we can be sure of handing on to our children are things of the spirit. Let us help them to hold fast to that vision of justice for which men have fought since the dawn of history.

It is a temptation in times like these to become a little careless about the everyday affairs on the pretext that they don't seem important. They are important. In our struggle for freedom and justice in the world, let us not forget the struggle for freedom and justice at home. The ideals for which we are fighting must be exemplified in our daily lives, in our homes, in our communities. The passions of war breed distrust and intolerance. Let us be on our guard

and, as mothers, conduct ourselves with such dignity, courage and calm as to be pillars of strength ... RACHEL RUBIN



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HOMEMAKER'S War time QUIZ

What things on your vacuum cleaner should you check regularly to make sure it will keep running efficiently?

2 What's the quickest way to iron a lot of handkerchiefs?

3 In what way do tomatoes differ from other vegetables in the kind of refrigeration required? 4 Does one 100-watt bulb use more electricity than four 25-watt bulbs? Which gives more light?

5 How can an electric fan be used in cold weather to increase the *heat* in a room?

6 How can you protect food against needless loss of vitamins in cooking?

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front is vital to victory. Are you all making and keeping it strong?



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The answer is clear: First, guard and conserve those homes and all that they are and contain! The majority of materials used in our day-by-day living are also directly and vitally important to the war effort. Every pound or yard or quart of them released l ell 'em that you and your

family are making the front lines strong by keeping the home front in top form. We'll tell you HOW to do it!

from civilian consumption means just that much more available for the needs of ships or guns or tanks or planes or men.

And secondly, there are the countless opportunities to keep the wheel of courage rolling—to "build morale," as they say. We'll do it with the spirit of stout Americans who know that the fighting lines count on the home front to be capable and courageous and high of spirit. We'll be on guard, day in and day out, watching the little as well as the big ways by which, each in her or his way, we can keep the life "back home" as alert and capable as that "up front."

Let's make America a land of Minute Women as well as Minute Men! That means playing the game vigorously, heartily, and to the hilt, frowning on everything that savors of waste or selfishness or poor sports-



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Every community can render real service. Here's what some are doing as their part in the national effort

manship in word or act. Watchfulness and earnest effort go hand in hand with winning a true victory these days, as they always have.

Convinced that such a positive attitude and cooperative action the country over will make an overwhelming contribution to the victory for which the whole decent world is fighting, THE AMERICAN HOME has launched an "on guard" campaign that can be shared by every householder in the land. It's a two-sided one, really, for in addition to its purpose of conserving and keeping up the condition of the materials and equipment of actual living it also makes for better individual spirits. Sloppy ways and run-down homes must be out for the duration, especially, for they aren't at all in the spirit of the real America!

And your opportunity, too, is a double one. First comes what you do yourself along the "on guard" lines that we urge on these pages from month to month. But of only less importance is what you get *others* to do by passing on the word to them. It all makes sense the kind of good, sound, democratic sense which all of us understand. And in proportion as you and your neighbors and your neighbors' neighbors get behind the snowball that we've started, it will gather size and speed and a mighty, sweeping power that can't be stopped! SERVICE ON THE HOME FRONT

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NCE you start thinking about it, the opportunities for valuable service on the home front are limitless. Some of them lie within the four walls of your own home; others have more of a group character, involving the efforts of many people and sometimes mushrooming out to take in the whole community or even the entire state. But one characteristic is common to all the good ones: they're launched in the beginning by *individuals* who have the real "on guard" spirit. The time for letting George do it has passed; what the country wants now is for everybody to be a go-getting "George"!

So think up ways of conserving materials, or getting better service out of them, or building up your own and others' morale. And if you just can't decide on a good idea, talk to your friends and start them thinking, too; two heads are better than one, you know! Remember that the thing to do is to find a way to meet some real need arising from the war emergency; that's what counts, these days.

Naturally, some sort of group undertaking offers bigger results more quickly than any single individual could accomplish. But be sure to enlist people for it on the basis of their ability for whatever the job may be, rather



Did the Princess live happily ever after?

She did indeed, Sally . . . after the dragon was killed. No one cared about him 'cause he was so rude and ugly.

Every one loved the Princess, though!

How could they help it when she was not only beautiful, but kind, polite and charming — always — even when she was busy or under a strain.

Just like my Mommie!

Yes, your mother, too, takes time to be pleasant. It makes people happy just to talk to her on the telephone, for her voice is always smiling.

Well, is that hard to do?

No, and yet people forget, Sally. America is in a hurry these days—everything is terse, crisp, tense. But *there are no priorities on kind words*—a smiling voice and friendly manner when telephoning make life seem easier even now.

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than for their social standing or the kind of clothes they wear! Much of the success of a group will depend on the spirit of cooperation that is developed, along with the sort of enthusiasm that keeps everybody on the go. Incidentally, a clear-cut plan with a definite, practical objective is one of the surest means of producing such a go-getting attitude in everybody.



Knowing what others are doing, and familiarity with the broad aspects of our national war effort, help a lot in choosing an activity After the sorting came washing of all the material—and what a community wash day that was!

wisely and carrying it through enthusiastically so that it meets with full success. With this in mind, keep your eyes and ears open; read the various kinds of publications that carry such news, pick up what you can from the radio and speakers at meetings, talk to other people and get their ideas and experiences. Some of the best opportunities will pop up in the most unexpected places, if you're on the watch for them.

Yes, there's plenty to be done in every community in the land—plenty for everybody who wants to get in and do something. On the following pages you'll find some of them that have proved thoroughly worth while, thanks to the vision and good sense and energy of the women who have made them come true. Take 'Wool Gathering," for instance:



Neighborly sharing of household things is an old story in every American community. That cup of flour handed over the back fence, that freshly-picked bucket of blueberries shared they're akin to those gifts of labor the pioneers made when they helped each other out at logrolling or at threshing time or in house building. Today, sharing is a means some Americans have

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found to work for victory. If you can make the possessions you already have do service, not just for you but for the neighbors who need them and might find it difficult to get more, you can help keep our factories and our men efficiently at work for essential war needs.

One of the worst faults we Americans have is waste. To correct this in ourselves and to benefit others at the same time a group of women in a small New England town gathered together all the clothing they had planned to put into the rag-bag. They met in the big, homey kitchen of

No you throw out food, clothing, and household equipment which could be salvaged and put to use, if not for yourself then for others who need them?

Mrs. Brown, and near her comfortable old coal stove they sat down and ripped. It took all one afternoon to take apart what they had broughtworn-out dress slips, frayed shirts, knickers with holes at the knees. dresses with shabby sleeves, torn sweaters and similar dilapidated duds. In between serving her coffee and cake, Mrs. Brown did the sorting-

for textile and color. Then the group agreed on a community gala wash-day. One woman took home all the cotton pieces to wash; another the heavy fabrics, suitings and corduroys; a third washed the silks and rayons, and a fourth volunteered for the "difficults"-the velvets, the trimmings, and the laces. She knew that the trick with velvets, after washing in lukewarm water, rinsing and



squeezing, is to roll them in a Turkish towel to press out remaining moisture. Then the fabric is laid on a flat surface to dry, shaken occasionally, and when fully dry is brushed in one direction with a soft brush to raise the pile and restore its texture.

The next week they met at a sewing bee. From newly freshened materials these women made dresses, underwear, jackets, and boys' suits. They ravelled the sweaters and crocheted smaller ones, and little berets and hoods. It took several weeks to finish the work and then nothing remained but badly worn pieces for their own dust cloths. There were dozens of new, useful, and attractive garments. Every one of them is being turned over to the community welfare organization to help less fortunate people who are feeling the war-time pinch of higher costs of clothing for children as well as the grown-ups.

If you consider the same idea for your town, you might find out how many sewing machines there are among your friends. Perhaps you can set up a central sewing center in a church basement (one group does this in Cleveland) or in your club. In that way more people can be included and the costs of using electric sewing machines and other equipment can

No you know how many families in your neighborhood have washing machines or would be glad to delay huying if some family would share what it has?

be shared so that each gets maximum benefit at the smallest expense. Another idea comes from a group of Philadelphia women who took the lead in organizing a kitchenware center. Through newspapers, churches, etc., they publicized their club rooms as a place where people could send old dishes, old tables, chairs, pots and pans. It was part of their club program of educating people to want and eat better food and serve it in more appetizing fashion. Now nutrition and welfare agencies are sending

Do you know the sickroom equipment of your neighborhood? You might want that information in a hurry if an air raid came, so go visiting and compile it

their clients to secure needed equipment on a carefully planned withdrawal system. Volunteers from the club man the counters from 9 to 5 P. M. In your town perhaps some merchant will let you use an unoccupied storeroom, or the bank may have some free space. You might be able to get light and heat contributed, too.

When "heavy goods" were about to be prioritied out of the household budget, Mrs. Eggleston, out in Iowa, equipped her basement as an up-todate laundry. She shopped carefully in Des Moines and bought the most

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efficient washing machine, irons, dryers, ironing boards, and curtain stretchers on the market. Then she called on six neighbors and quoted what the Consumers' Council Division in Washington said when she told them that all her married life she'd wanted just such equipment:

"A single family uses its washing machine only a few hours every week," they wrote, "so this

equipment lies idle more hours than it works. If you were to share yours with your neighbors of course it will wear out faster, but most washing machines are built anyway to give more service than one family requires of them. If you can find a way to share yours you'll be helping just that much to ease up household demands on industry."

Every one of the six neighbors signed up to use the new equipment. Mrs. Partridge's son Billy earns his pocket money by trundling washing back and forth in the cart his goat pulls. Mrs. Rutledge's negro Susie does her washing, and irons for Mrs. Fisher. The other women do their own. Mr. Eggleston, who is a bookkeeper, figured out the sum they each pay weekly into an operating fund which takes care of water, heat, and light charges, with a tiny nest-egg accumulating to repair or replace equipment when it needs servicing or wears out.

Everybody's satisfied because she's doing a defense job as well as a household job. They've worked out a time schedule for using the laundry and two of the women do their washing together. They both want time out for Red Cross work and they found it simpler this month, for example, to wash summer slip covers together because their size and shape make them awkward to handle alone.

And the car situation? Well, it's obvious that we could all save gas and oil and car wear if our husbands shared the daily trip to and from work, and if we went on shopping trips with some other housewives, instead of going alone, when we have to use cars. That is what a group of factory-workers thought in a little town near Elgin, Illinois. Mr. Whitney, the local banker, intended to put away his seven-passenger limousine for the "duration." He was glad to let it be used for a small monthly fee covering wear and tear; two of the men already had five-

How about cars? What with gas and tire rationing, are automobiles being put to their fullest use for community service, for the benefit of many?

passenger cars they'd permit to be used in the same way. Some others put theirs away. Now seventeen workmen in a defense factory ride twenty miles to work and twenty miles back, at less than the cost of interurban fares for each, not to mention the time they save.

And finally, food! With Salem, Oregon, as its center, two counties in the West account for acre upon acre of string beans, enough to fill 50,000,000 cans. Last September they were still heavy on the vines—and there were no pickers. The usual transient workers were either in the army or in defense factories; they no longer needed to come from a Dust Bowl that is producing crops again. Farmers were desperate until the Oregon State Employment Service sent out appeals to the community at large—office workers, factory hands, housewives, teachers, children anybody who could pick beans from the vines and put them in a pail.

By six o'clock the next morning every police car was calling in, "Boy, here they come!" Women, kids, old men, were streaming toward the farms. They had soft hands and most of them didn't know a No. 1 bean

How much garden truck is going to waste for lack of a plan to save it in your community? How many farmers need crop-gathering help in your area this year?

from a cull, but here they were. All day they worked, putting in the best licks they could, laughing at one another's clothes, telling about the bridge parties they'd given up, vying with one another to make a record. And in doing so they proved once more that:

Americans haven't gone soft. This nation isn't dying of dry rot. Our own firmness of character will do the trick. We'll help ourselves; we'll even bend our backs to work to help a neighbor. We'll think over all the places where we might share in our town, and we'll help ourselves and our country in its war effort when we do.—JULIETTA K. ARTHUR

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HAVE you felt far removed from front battle ranks—not gratefully so, but with that restless feeling of not being able to get your teeth into things? Have you become wearied with the checkerboard play of modern warfare, while you, a mere housekeeper, couldn't play a very important part?

In the Midwest, where I live, this became a common problem for a group of practical, down-to-earth individuals. Not that we wished to belittle the duties we had learned, such as pasting defense stamps into little books that grew into big bonds, knitting garments for someone somewhere, or learning first aid on the same basis. We knew they were right and necessary. It's just that we wanted to get a little closer to the front lines, to deal directly with tangible situations!

And then along came a practical feminine Major-Major B. L. Kinkel of the Salvation Army-who gave us our opportunity. With defense

7 Let 'em eat cake ...



IN MISSOURI it's cakes for the boys in uniform!

industries all around us, there are some fifty to eighty soldiers serving on guard duty twenty-four hours each day, living in tents or quarters provided for them at the respective plants. We knew about this in a vague sort of way, but they didn't become actual realities to us until Major Kinkel received a call to help meet an existing emergency—bad weather and that good old American custom, hot coffee and a snack between meals. While meals are brought in each day from the barracks cafeteria on wheels (and they are three good squares a day), these complete the menu for the day. Come zero weather, rain, or extreme heat, the watch coming off at an after-meal hour looks to the "snack" as his recreation and build-up. And the system in use, good as it was, made no provision for eating between meals, even in cold weather!

With some hesitation the Major met the first call with hot coffee and doughnuts. Benumbed with cold and somewhat forlorn looking, the boys just off duty greeted her with some surprise and wonder. Then one grateful soul began humming the popular tune, "Why don't we do this more often?" and all the boys joined in with warm-hearted gayety. The need had been met. Thawing under the friendliness of the Major and her workers, one rookie asked if it might be possible sometimes to include a "piece of honest-to-goodness cake like Mother used to bake."

And that's where we came in. This service was, of course, a gift to men in uniform. So we, the housewives and career girls, began turning afternoons and evenings into cake baking, delivering the results to downtown headquarters and, where needed, using our own cars (in cooperation with the Salvation Army) to take the food

many miles to the various defense plants. In warfare that knows no boundaries the little

woman on the home front is learning the lesson of voluntary, whole-hearted action, and by it is coming into her own. So look around you for your chance—the field is wide!—MILDRED WEILER





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URNING now to a different field of service, you often hear the question these days, "How can the garden clubs contribute to

the national effort"? Actually, the answer is rather obvious, for we have the word of the Federal Government, via the Secretary of Agriculture, that gardening activities must not only be maintained, but definitely increased-ornamental as well as food gardening. So if a garden club just

pitches into its gardens with a will it won't need to worry.

There are countless ways in which the growing of good plants can contribute to community and national well-being. A first-class illustration of such opportunities comes from the Camellia Garden Club of Atlanta, Georgia, whose twenty-odd members-all of them young married

Roof top in ATLANTA



project that far more than repays all the effort that has gone into it. If you go up to the roof of the Grady City Hospital some sunny day you'll find this undertaking in full swing-a children's roof garden that brings the brightness of thriving flowers to the very eyes and hands of little folks who had never known how much it could mean to them. The chances are you'll find some of the Camellia Club members there, planting or watering or chatting with the convalescent children. And as you see the new light that comes into those young eyes as they drink in the life and color of the blossoms, you won't need to ask if it's a worthwhile

contribution to morale building among those who sorely need it. Yes, the garden clubs have a real part to play these days on the home front. The Camellia Club has pointed a way which many another group can well follow, each according to its opportunities and in its own way.

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Photographs from Mrs. W. E. Farrell IN GEORGIA:

A garden for convalescent hospital children - that's the grand contribution to morale made by the Camellia Garden Club

women with not-too-big incomes-set out three years ago to learn how to grow things. They did the job so well that they not only improved tremendously the appearance of their own homes and therefore of the neighborhood but are now carrying on a community



A S YOU may know from other subscribers, we Honolulu people are going about our little homely affairs as usual, but there is always with us the feeling of "watchful waiting," and while we housewives—those of us who are not being sent back to the mainland—plant our pansies with our cabbages, for we must have beauty in small things as well as food for our tables, we scan the beautiful Hawaiian sky with one anxious eye. Waikiki is still lovely behind its barbed wires, and people in bright bathing suits dot the sands, the beach boys surf between hours of defense work. I don't know how I got off the subject—I mean to say that we go on "prettying up" our homes and that your AMERICAN HOME magazine is another bright spot to watch for whenever a welcome convoy comes in.—MARJORIE T. AKI

AY I just say a word to the charming young bride whose article on her adjustment to the servant problem appeared in the February AMERICAN HOME ("Uncle Sam Hired My Maid"! by Vandetta Eastman)? Merely this—"she ain't seen nuthin' yet"! Not only do I mean that the situation will probably be much worse before it gets any better, but also that her problem is simple compared to that of the women with large houses and large families, geared to the habit of domestic help and suddenly faced with the practical non-existence of such a commodity.

Finding ourselves suddenly in such a situation, there were two things we could do: either take into our home (if we could get her!) a type of woman inferior to those we had previously employed, or budget the chores and do the housework ourselves. So we decided there was nothing for it but to roll up our sleeves and go to work without further ado.

It would be pleasant if but it wasn't. All sorts of sary and not the least of sound, was the fact that I breakfast! That meant also must rise a little



I could say it was easy adjustments were necesthem, funny as it may now had to get up and get that our fourteen-year-old earlier and dress young

Tommy. Neither of them relished the idea and for some days I made coffee to the accompaniment of squalls of protest on one side and almost tearful beseechings on the other. But we all survived and I'm constantly surprised at the amount of satisfaction I derive from seeing at first hand that they all drink their orange juice and eat their whole-grain cereal in the mornings. I am at home, too, when they come in after school and we all prepare dinner together, while the youngsters tell me the day's happenings.

There is no rule about dinner dishes—anyone with too much home work or a particularly titivating engagement is tacitly excused, if he has



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done his share up to that point. The cleaning-well, on Saturday the nine-year-old gets a dime for keeping young Tommy out from under foot and the two older children at home turn to with the conviction, now born of experience, that the house must be clean before the afternoon is theirs to enjoy.

I cannot say that living in this manner makes life any simplerperhaps it can never be that any more-but one can work out a system of a sort, and it doesn't hurt any of us to clear away a lot of useless gingerbread from our lives. We may have to entertain our friends very simply, but what matter? What we really need from each other these days is understanding companionship, and if we can ask people into a home where growing Americans are learning to do more than they thought they possibly could, and are learning

the thrill which comes from lending their young strength to the achievement of a common task - why, you will find these same people coming again and again, even if you have no more to offer them than a sleepy game of bridge and mighty good oatmeal cookies!-MARION MORROW

FTER reading Carl Gartner's "Panics in Our Annex" in the February AMERICAN HOME, I feel that, in all fairness, we, the furnitureshovers, should at least be given a hearing.

No mere man can understand the workings of a housekeeper's mind, or our feelings in regard to furniture, for man leaves home every morning for office, field, or factory, and all along the way meets changes that make life interesting. But the house in which the woman spends her day always remains permanently located, even though we would

sometimes like to turn it about forty-five degrees or whack off an ungainly porch. Since this isn't possible, why begrudge us the liberty of experimenting, just a little, with changes within?

After we've been through a strenuous ordeal, such as a round of entertaining, or meat canning, or jelly making, we settle down to catch our breath while we look over

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the mail, Perhaps there's a new copy of THE AMER-ICAN HOME

and, while looking through it, we come to a page of pictures with perfectly swell room arrangements, new curtains for the bedroom, suggestions for arranging pictures, or a simply gorgeous idea for making something out of nearly nothing! (For example, "Bamboozled Bamboo," page 71, February issue.) Even if we can't exactly reproduce what we have seen and read, it gives us the glimmer of an idea and the itch to get going on our own living room or bedroom.

Or suppose, some bright morning, you've finished cleaning up the house and are back in the kitchen, preparing some perfectly tantalizing dish. All of a sudden you begin to feel sorry for yourself. . . . There's so much labor and so many steps involved. "Perhaps," you muse, "if I moved the cabinet nearer the stove, and the work table between it and the refrigera-

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tor, it would be easier." And you begin heaving furniture. Sometimes the change is successful, but other times you simply replace the pieces in their former positions-quietly if possible.

We expect to move soon to a farm we purchased recently. And my kitchen moving will be only a memory. I'm simply thrilled about all the built-in cupboards, and work tables, and there is only one place for the stove. But think of the fun I will have shoving around the furniture in the three bedrooms, the dining room, and living room!-IDA M. YODER





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No, what we're curious about is —what are you doing for yourself—your physical and mental self —and your household, your home folks? It is definitely one of our war-time obligations to keep fit, in trim, efficient, competent. And that means not only common-sense eating, rest, and exercise, but also sufficient recreation and change to keep our design for living balanced. Now how are you and the other half and the children going to make sure of *that* part of your program?

There are really plenty of ways, notwithstanding necessary restrictions and priorities that affect travel, sports, maximum enjoyment of salt water in boats or bathing suits, and other customary summer activities. And while they may be on the simpler, less spectacular side, that's nothing to be sad about. It's safe to say we will all be the better for the simpler mode of life that is in store for us during the next few years. So why put it off?

You can, for example, take your vacation tonic in a canoe, far from gas and tire troubles, traffic lights and hotel bills (see pages 17 and 18). You can week-end in the country with a minimum of discomfort and a maximum of enjoyment for Vacations in war time are the opportunities to pause, to get your breath and catch up. ... To learn to know yourself, your family, your neighboring countryside better... To get close to Nature and all her inexhaustible stores of energy, optimism, patience and courage. In short, to re-create yourself

everyone, if you plan, organize, and accept a few tips from an old stager (see pages 19 and 20). You can live and work within the inspiring confines of your garden, whether it be part of a summer home, a mere city or suburban backyard, or, actually, a rooftop in a metropolis (see pages 21 to 26 inclusive). And vou can combine the benefits of recreation with the results of interesting, constructive occupation if you like and if you have a flair that way-such as terrace building (see pages 26, 28 and 29). So, after all, it's less likely to be a question of, "What shall I do"? than one of, "Which of these possibilities best fits my means, mood, and desires"?

F YOU shudder at the thought of a picnic without enough paper napkins, better pass up all camping invitations; you'll be happier fanning yourself on the porch. That, however, is a good place for a canoe trip to start, for more than any other kind of vacation it takes planning. First, the canoe: A sturdy, well-balanced 15or 16-footer with paddles for all and one extra. Think ahead to mile-long portages and choose a light one. You can rent 'em, if necessary. Next, the necessary wherewithals to make life comfortable, if not luxurious: A pup tent and tent poles; a wire grate-which sounds "sissy" but does wonders for a steak and helps brace bulky things in a pack; a strong shoulder yoke on the packsack is a major blessing. We take along three packs-one for tent and sleeping equipment, one for food and cooking utensils, one for clothes and personal effects, the latter meaning only those things you cannot be happy without. Now



Photograph from William G. Houskeeper

for our basic camping items: Blankets; ground cloth or ponchos; air mattress or sleeping bags; nesting pails and coffee pot; enamel or tin plates, cups, and sauce dishes; knives, forks, teaspoons, and large spoons; pancake turner and can

opener; butcher knife and clasp knife; salt and pepper shakers (with non-spillable inside caps); frying pan; axe; oilcloth and old newspapers; flashlight and spare batteries; canoe glue for minor repairs. We

have found that much of the above can be borrowed. Food should be plain but wholesome; a bit of juggling will make the menus balance. Consult a good outfitting firm at this point so you will be sure to include all the essentials and omit the undesirables. Put every ounce of food, whether boxed, canned, or bottled, into extra muslin bags and mark the contents



of each bag on the outside with crayon. Clothes? They are easy. Add to a basic supply of wool sox, cotton underwear, and pyjamas: heavy walking shoes; slacks; shorts and shirts for warm days; sweater

and jacket or slicker; moccasins for paddling; bathing suit for fun; brimmed hat for the sun, and a bright bandanna for a touch of color. (Speaking of sun, we concocted a fine sunburn-preventing "sauce" of equal parts of alcohol, oil, and witch hazel. There are many reliable ones on the market, however, which will save you the trouble of concocting your own.)

You never camped? What of it? Neither had Helene Burton when

she and her husband set off on their first canoe trip. She says:

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The next two weeks are yours; the trip has been mapped and planned; proper equipment is checked and stowed . . .

and paddle your own canoe.

Now, with everything checked over and well stowed so as to keep the canoe well balanced, you're ready to push off. But first take a look at your map and decide just where you're going today and approximately how long it will take. With the first stroke away from shore you're on your own. Days may go by without your seeing a human being. But no matter how out of the way your route, someone has gone before you and may have left a ready-made

camp site for you to use when the day's paddling is over. However, any cleared bit of shore line will do if not too rocky. Making camp quickly and painlessly depends on organization. Putting up the tent and, getting

water and firewood (collect enough to last all night) is one department; building and tending the fire, and cooking, is another. Leave air mattresses until all other chores are finished; you may prefer sleeping on the bare

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As to meals en route, lunch can be a catchas-catch-can affair, but the evening meal should satisfy a real appetite-and believe me, you'll have one. To add interest to a staple diet, include some extra seasonings, herbs and maybe a green pepper in your supplies. One of our favorite dishes was Back Bay Surprise, which is nothing more than boiled macaroni fried in a bed of brown, simmering onions and topped with a blanket of spicy melted cheese.

Two nesting pails make a fine double boiler for oatmeal, which is a grand conditioner for the hardest job of all-portaging. When you bump into the end of a lake, unload, beach the canoe, scout the foot trail to the

next lake to make sure you are on the right track, then tote the canoe and packs to the next shore. Sometimes you will shuttle only twice; if your load is heavy, make three trips and enjoy them more. A portage safely over, ground to blowing them up when you're tired! your sense of accomplishment will be supreme.

TRAVELING BY CANOE? Easy, short trips for a not too strenuous vacation. Other vacation hints, too. Send 6¢ for bulletin # 152, The American Home, 251 Fourth Avenue, New York City, New York



O YOU'VE gone and got yourself a place in the country, have you? One of those more or less picturesquely dilapidated shacks where, you guilelessly believe, you can relax in solitude over week ends? Well, maybe you can. That is, if you have any time left after you've chased the varmints out of the garden patch, and if you can find any way of keeping those danged birds quiet when they turn out to hunt their early worms in the cold gray dawn. And if you can keep out of the poison ivy, and if ... but you've got the place; what you need is help, brother. So, with the wisdom born of nine years' experience, I pass on a few suggestions.

SIMPLE SHOWER: Country work means no end of grime and perspiration, yet thousands of week-end places can't offer even a shower-bath sprinkle. Ours does, though, and the cost was just \$2.79, nine years ago. If you want to go and do likewise, get yourself an old pan, sink or watertight box three or four feet long and set it in a corner of a shed or in some other secluded spot, with one end an inch higher than the other. At the low end cut a hole for a piece of half-inch pipe that will carry the water out through the wall or floor. At the high end, set a stout post

solidly and drive a large spike or screw a heavy bracket at such a height that you can hang a 12-quart pail from it and still get under the pail without doubling up like a jackknife. Punch small holes in the bottom of the pail, hang her up, fill with water from another container, and go to it! If you want to be real swanky, hang a shower curtain or maybe a piece of suitably gaudy oilcloth around the pan and your sylph-like self.

DOWN CELLAR: The earth floor of many an old house gives off a dank, cave-like fragrance, especially if windows are scarce. One remedy is a three-inch layer of sand or fine gravel spread over the floor every few years. It gives a pleasanter footing as well as banishing the smells. . . . If, viewed from the cellar, the floor timbers look old and worried, or if the floors seem a bit tottery, a job of bracing can be done to tide over until major replacements can be made. In such an emergency, I have great respect for oak or hard maple posts about six inches in diameter, one set on a firm? flat rock base under the center of each beach.

FUN FOR ALL: No doubt about it, the country is the place for real fun at little cost in money or effort. Croquet and hoss-shoe pitching are standard sports in Ruralia. We're ambitious enough to

do, except in most extreme cases



What you planned on (below) and what you'll probably end up with (right)



boast a "golf course" around the house (with one-inch-square white posts instead of holes), and it's as popular as a regular club layout (says who?). If you can arrange it, get an old piano, not necessarily in tune, for informal song-fests.

STAND-UP PAINTING: You'll always be painting something or other, but if it's a floor, don't get down on your hunkies; that way lie all kinds of creaks, aches, and limps. You can do the job in far less time with a broad, flat brush -a six-incher, if possible-fitted with a four-foot wooden handle. And you probably won't have to go

to the hospital in an ambulance afterward. SUMMER GUESTS: You don't have to be

a social butterfly to enjoy having real

friends spend a week end with you now and then, but there's a technique about it. When they ask if they can't bring something useful with them, tell 'em that would be just swell! Ask for a cooked ham or shoulder, a couple of layer cakes or pies, or some tinned meats. Real friends will appreciate your frankness and come across. To fake ones, who just want to bum a visit, suggest such a lengthy list as will cool their ardor. And let (not to say make) your guests help with the daily living chores by taking care of their rooms, dusting, sweeping, bringing in wood, feeding the dog, lugging water, or what have you.

KITCHEN EQUIPMENT: Don't, for heaven's sake, try to economize here! I know a family that moves kettles and pots and darned near the whole town kitchen back and

forth each week end! If you can't afford to spend the few dollars it takes to fix up the , shack kitchen for simple but adequate living, don't buy or rent a week-end place to start



Adopt a Tom Sawyer role over the week end: Get your quests to do the dirty work; they'll love it! HAYDN S. PEARSON

with. You'll need a three-burner oil stove and an oldfashioned wood or coal-burning stove (the latter for cool days). They will help to keep the cook's disposition on the cheerful side, and that's a long step toward happy week ends in the country-take it from one who knows!

KITCHEN DRAINAGE: Of course, you can take care of this by just slinging everything out the back door, but we've improved on that system by digging a reception hole ten or fifteen feet from the kitchen wall and far away from the well. It's large enough to hold a barrel and deep enough so that a pipe run to it from the sink will have a fall of at least two feet. Stand the barrel with the open end down and cut a hole for the pipe in the other end. The drainage will be good if the soil is sandy or gravelly; otherwise, make the hole a foot deeper, put rocks or rubble in the bottom, and set the barrel on that. . . . Bury all garbage or add it to the compost pile; a sprinkling of soil or lime will prevent odors and speed its rotting into valuable compost you need for the plants in the garden.

Angels in June, but oh my r



come July and August you'll find your obstreperous young hard to handle during their stay-at-home summer unless you give advance thought to their activities. Watch for these stories to come soon: "Fun and Fitness Afloat," "A Child's Library," "A-coming and a-going," "Let 'em cook on rainy days"



Backyard vacationing

own in color on the cover

CHRISTINE FERRY

OR an illustration of the joyous possibilities of real outdoor living at a summer place, come down to the Massachusetts coast where Cape Ann pokes its nose out into the North Atlantic, to this comfortable spot shared by Miss Eleanor S. Raymond and Miss Ethel B. Power. First, they turned an old garage into a garden house and added a guest room to complete one side of the area. Then they put up a tall, wind-breaking board fence along the ocean side, enclosed the other two in stout wire fencing which is now covered with vines and roses, and took advantage of the natural slope to build their colorful little garden on two levels. It was necessary to bring in good soil from a near-by farm for the flower beds, so they decided to build up the latter of twoinch boards and lay wire screening in the bottom to keep out marauding woodchucks from the surrounding woodland. Stages of this construction work are shown in the illustrations below.

The result? Look at the above picture and the one on the cover. Just outside the garden house is a 12' x 18' graveled terrace alongside the board fence, against which is a wooden bench beneath a wood-slat, grapecovered canopy. Beyond the terrace a short path between two 5' x 6' boxed beds, in which English hawthorns are bordered by annuals, leads



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to a gate and the open fields. At the right, on the axis of the bench and canopy, is a 9' x 12' formal garden of herbaceous material with a Seckel pear tree in the center and boxwood bushes in the four corners;

and bounding this lower planting is a border of other perennials and shrubs as indicated in the plan. Espaliered pear trees and plants of red and yellow tomatoes decorate the wall of the guest room. The entire effect--of the intimate garden environment, the living space on the terrace with the table for eating and working, and the framed glimpses of distant vistas-is one of privacy, restfulness and serenity with its wise combination of enchanting beauty and real usefulness.

T'S a far cry from a New England coastal countryside like that to the lower east side of Manhattan Island, but if you think that flowers and even vegetables cannot be grown and enjoyed there, too, consider what Mr. John Mills, Jr., has done and photographed on the thirteen-story loft building that houses his studio. Two years ago, facing a summer in the city and interested in (but wholly uninformed about) the soilless method of gardening, he decided to try it. So he built many feet of sturdy wooden boxes, filled them with two tons of builders' sand hauled, little by little, up SOILLESS GARDENING! APARTMENT ROOF!



Sketch by D. and C. Porter

ALL VEBY WELL-

if you have a canoe and some lakes, a country place to go to, and all that-fine. But if you must stay in the city don't just sit and gripe-have a whirl at roof gardening as did the John Mills

food, prepared his solutions, and went to it. He encountered problems, of course. Not the least of them were the vicious winds that effectively kept all growth below the protecting parapet top and the ubiquitous city soot and dust. But one by one he solved such difficulties or ingeniously found his way around them, fought the pests and maladies that attack crops even on lofty roof sites, and watched with delight as his plants flourished, flowered, and bore fruit. He is frank to admit that his roof-top gardening was started as a hobby, not as a profit-making or even self-supporting enterprise; something to offset the inaccessibility of green fields, trees, golf courses, and the usual

concomitants of a summer in the open country. Nevertheless, it did vield dividends. For example: Small but delicious crops of tomatoes, lettuce, radishes, okra, and other vegetables (the dwarf corn was, admittedly, a "stunt" and, as such, was another real success); a variety of flowers for the table centerpieces and arrangements for the penthouse apartment nearly all summer; plenty of outdoor exercise and morale-building mental activity; a new, delightful environment for spending leisure moments and entertaining; and, of course, the gratification of seeing results grow under his hand, of proving that it was possible, despite the gloomy forecasts of those he had consulted.

TOMATOES

ELL, if he did it without getting out of the city-or even down onto the ground - why be sorry for vourself merely because you may have to stay at home with your backyard this summer? That's the way Mrs. Helen W. McKenzie and her family feel now, although a year ago, she writes from Winnetka, Illinois, they were "absolutely crushed when our six-year-old came down with whooping cough on the fifteenth of June. Not only did it mean weeks of a nasty disease for her and her little sister, but it cancelled all our vacation plans. The doctor said we were fortunate that it had caught us during warm weather, for fresh air and sunshine were the major features of his treatment; the patients were to spend as much time as possible in the backyard. But-ours is a typical suburban lot; the yard is small and, to my newly critical eye, it was most unattractive with its Photographs by JOHN MILLS, JR.

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scrubby grass plot, neglected shrubs and perennials and a stark sand box in one corner. However, spurred by the emergency, we set to work."

Pictures on page 23 show the result of cleaning up, pruning, spraying, and the planting of a few annuals raised from seed and some perennials contributed by friends. When rubbish cans and weeds were removed from a sheltered corner by the back door that looked like a potential sun-bathing terrace, it proved to be neatly paved with flagstones and all ready for some canvas chairs, a stand of house plants, and some potted geraniums that were set in holes along the two open sides. Here the early convalescent days were spent looking across the patch of rejuvenated lawn to the colorful little border. Later some friends on moving away bequeathed a "jungle-gym" apparatus and some white picket fencing which (1) augmented the play vard and (2) screened off the trash cans and incinerator most effectively.

"At last," says Mrs. McKenzie, "we realized what hard work and ingenuity can do even when there is only a little money. This year, like many other Americans, we are gladly staying in our back yard as something we can do to help the country in its victory effort. We have our flowers, play yard, and little sun terrace, all more improved and lovelier than ever. And this year there is a little vegetable garden, too!"

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That was the record of the man who built the terrace shown on pages 28 and 29. Something to show for his summer, all right!

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Sketch by D. and C. Porte

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OU admirers of flagstone construction who have denied yourselves its homey charms because you thought you couldn't handle it (or pay for it), can now start thinking otherwise. The terrace pictured on page 29 was built by a man who had never done a bit of masonry before. Moreover, as neither flagging, sand, nor cement is under priority restrictions, this is one sort of building at which you can spend your spare time this summer with a free conscience as well as benefit to your physique and your domicile.

A good deal of the wall and steps and some of the floor were composed of odds and ends of flagstone from the local building material dealer's yard. Some of the pieces, varying from one-quarter inch to three and a half inches thick, were of little value for regular mason work but seemed ideal for wall building. The tools used were anything but fancy or costly, being a child's toy hoe and shovel, a trowel, an old hatchet, two cold chisels, a small level, a straightedge, a short-handled shovel, a wire brush, and a 2' x 3' mortar mixing box about eight inches deep. The mix used for filling and for bedding the stones was three parts sand to one part cement; the "grout" for filling the joints was one-to-one. All fresh work was covered with heavy paper for two days after it was finished and kept moist for four days, or until the cement had ripened.

One essential for a project of this kind is *plenty* of stones, not only flags for finishing, but also rough material of all sizes, especially rocks about as big as a fist. Hose them well to get rid of all soil and insure a good bond with the cement. In cutting large stones, plan first for the rectangular pieces to be used around the edges of the terrace. Score them, especially at ends and edges, with light hammer blows on the chisel, then increase force each time around 'til flag breaks .--- CARL K. KELLY

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Ten-inch walls on a foot or more of concrete footing are faced with cemented flags, then filled with stones and mortar



To cut stone, lay it flat on sand; chisel all way around, gradually increasing weight of blows. Use scraps for wall and steps



Use straightedge and level to avoid low spots, puddles, and frost cracks. Bed stones firmly in soft, rather wet cement



Shape and fit surface stones before cementing. Height of broken stone base and flagging should be about eight inches



For neat, trim effect, keep the stone surfaces clean of cement and remove surplus from joints while it is soft

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It took plenty of imagination though not much money

Frank Willming photographs

H WELL! I hear some people say--that was an elegant apartment to start with and it's charming because a lot of money was spent on it. Not at all, my young friends. Sit up and take notice, because it was a very ordinary 21/2 room apartment when Mr. and Mrs. Harper Richards took it, with all the usual difficulties such as wide archways from entrance hall to living room and from living room to dinette, built-in bed alcove in the living room, kitchen no bigger than a tiny ship's galley, windows out of balance, and all the rest. And it didn't cost a lot of money to do it; it did cost plenty in ingenuity and imagination and elbow grease, for Mr. and Mrs. Richards

designed and made almost every single thing you see themselves. They have been married about

a year, but in his bachelor days

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ON GUARD THE HOME FRONT

Mr. Richards, who is an industrial designer, made many things for his home, and was smart enough to make them portable, so they could be moved along wherever he might go.

Take the living room. The Richards decided to concentrate on that part near the windows overlooking Lake Michigan, since the rest could be little more than a passageway. The doors concealing the built-in bed were covered with mirrors they already had and a three-quarter bed was pushed in front (handy for guests). Mr. Richards built a frame of cupboards at its back and sides, to make it more comfortable and provide storage space besides. More or less the same thing was done on the opposite side, where one of

the cabinets houses the radiovictrola and records. These and the radiator enclosures under the windows are constructed of plywood and covered with white fabricoid, which has a very

luxurious look. This white, plus the strong contrast of the hunter's green covering of the two sofas, make a dramatic color scheme against white walls and beneath a stunning green ceiling.

There is more green in a chest of drawers, originally \$5.00 at a secondhand store, which lost its legs in the transaction and gained a covering of green marbleized paper. This same treatment was applied to the wide framing for the windows and the top of the coffee table. This latter piece, incidentally, has

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YES, ACTUALLY, dear Mama-in-law has abdicated-in my favor-and all on account of a jar of mayonnaise!

What happens is: She has a birthday. So I ask her and a couple of her pals in for lunch and bridge. For dessert, I serve my sugarless sweet-Chiffon Pie Salad topped with a glorious"upper crust" of Real Mayonnaise.



And do those old sweet-toothers love it? The sugar rationing folks woulda been tickled to see them clean their plates. One gal gasps, "Delicious! This salad dressing is superb!"

"SALAD DRESSING!" snorts Mama-inlaw before I can open my mouth. "No salad dressing ever tasted so creamyrich. This is Real Mayonnaise!"

I rally round. "Real Mayonnaise is all mayonnaise-no starchy filler!"

Then Ma wants to talk. She's taking a nutrition course and, golly, can that



girl talk facts! From Mama-in-law:

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IN THE EAST BEST FOODS HELLMANNS Real Mayonnaise

gone through a number of metamorphoses. Once it was painted; then it took unto itself a leather cover: later it was covered with cork; and now marbleized paper decorates it.

Through the arch you can see the dinette, with its chrome yellow walls and gray trim. Mr. Richards himself designed and built the table of limed oak, which can do a Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde into a drawing board when

he feels the creative urge at home. Kitchenette doors were removed, and a plywood screen substituted, with a lighted shadow box built in directly over the table. The "picture" in this shadow box can be changed to suit the whim of the moment, from flowers to still life, or what you will.

The bedroom is definitely a case of things not being what they seem. That material on the wall back of the beds is chintz, just like the hangings at the window and the flounce on the gray chintz bedspread. The swag across the windows is not chintz at all, but burlap dipped in hot glue and painted white. It looks for all the world like plaster, but won't crumble when it's dusted. The same burlap makes a "petticoat" to conceal the built-in cupboards across the window, which hide the radiator and at the same time provide a dressing table and storage cupboards.



Mr. Richards made the single headboard for the twin beds of plywood and covered it in burlap, which he painted burgundy to match the rug. The kind of "wealth" Mr. and Mrs. Richards had to spend on their

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HIS is not just a social stunt, but a money-raising costume play as full of vitamin education as it is full of fun. It's a bang-up victory carnival that came about through the cooperation of our party, pattern, garden, nutrition and self-appointed dramatic departments. And it's something *you* can carry out with your own club group, a timely idea that fits in with our victory program.

HIRST given by the Bedford (New York) Garden Club, the play for the Red Cross, U.S.O., or any such organization, if past performance is any indication. Furthermore, you will have yourselves a time cavorting around in our colorful crop of vegetable costumes, putting an extra wad of tissue paper stuffing in "tomato," fluffing out the silk over "corn's" shoulders. Much sport, but at the same time you and the audience are learning more about nutrition, as well as adding to the funds for our victory program. And even the small fry, who make fetching if sometimes too lively sprigs of parsley and watercress, have a part in the carnival spirit, and do a job on learning their lines, too.

EFORE you put on the play, a luncheon is in order so the cast can do a little celebrating. Our buffet table is right in there doing its share, with a centerpiece of home-grown grass on which bright red tomatoes and little white scallions make a perfect V, and bits of cauliflower and radishes decorate the otherwise empty corners. And should a few grains of good dark soil scatter themselves about, it won't matter because the cloth is white crepe paper. The food: a vitamin-conscious tossed green salad, of course, plus a hot cheese soufflé to hold down (or up) the cast during the performance. And without a doubt you must be sure to have it buffet style, since some of the costumes have little to gain by being sat upon. Anyway, there'll be a lot of hilarious clowning around, and the members of the cast will be much happier if they're free to inspect each other, from the front, sides, and back, too. Just exactly how to get the necessary grass for your centerpiece is explained by our garden editor. You may find a likely corner in your backyard, and then have only to proceed with a very sharp-bladed knife. Cut down into the sod no more than about two inches, and then slice as, for example, you might slice the frosting off a cake. Our piece was about 15" x 20", but yours will, of course, depend on the size of



PARSLEY

The play's the thing, if it's money-raising ideas your club needs. This one is fun, too,

with all the ladies done up in vegetable costumes snappy and colorful enough to put the real eggplants to shame!

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EADI LIVE -TOLIVI LEARN GARNISH FOR A JUNE GRADUATION PARTY: For 25¢ I made decorations for a graduation party that intrigued the teen-age guests and made a very attractive appearance. Of construction paper I made dolls in caps and gowns, with heads made of cleansing tissues. From the same heavy paper I cut large books for the centerpiece, and smaller books for each place, with the school initial on the outside and blank pages inside for such things as autographs.-BERNICE E. KNIGHT your table, and on how big a splash you want the centerpiece to make. Then slide the grass onto a slab of plywood of the same size, and if you want grass instead of dirt showing on the sides try working and pulling it over the edges. When you put this little masterpiece on the table, use a small, flattish box or block of wood or something to prop it up about an inch or two at the back, thereby showing off the design to better advantage. The V is made of lush red tomatoes outlined by little white scallions, and in the corners are clumps of cauliflower surrounded by radishes cut out like roses, as vou've often done to trim up

your salad or relish plate. It's especially appropriate for a garden club party, but most certainly very effective and timely for any buffet luncheon or supper you may be planning to give this summer. Besides the centerpiece decoration your table needs only food, preferably vegetable-conscious, and china, glasses, and silver neatly and attractively arranged. A white paper table cloth is the best way to set it all off.

Next problem, we suppose, is "How hard is it to make those fancy looking costumes"? Not bad at all, ladies, not if you have the vaguest notion of how to put things together. And even if you're not of the nimble fingers school we can further assure you that most of the costumes can be put together with paste rather than needle and thread.

THE corn costume, for example, is a masterpiece of stylized reality, but even the kernels won't stump you if you follow directions carefully. Carrot and all the other root crops are definitely easy, being mainly two cardboard cut-outs in authentic shapes, covered with crepe paper, and hung sandwich-board fashion with tape or ribbon shoulder straps over a white paper foundation or slip. The greenery is fringed crepe paper wrapped around wires which are stuck in back and front up to about where they might tickle this character's nose. The tomato depends for

its effect mainly on the contrast of bright red and green (leaves) and on the amount of paper stuffing you have the patience to put in while your model slowly turns around and lets you "even her out." Parsley, chives, water cress, and chervil are parts for little girls, preferably youngsters who are lively but who can be counted on to behave themselves in a reasonably sensible manner. Their costumes consist merely of green paper dresses with a couple of rows of "fringe" around the bottom, and the same repeated at shoulders and neckline. And notice the "shoes" in these and most of the other costumes: green paper

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leaves, secured around ankles or insteps with elastic. Incidentally, we think you'll find it fun to work on these costumes, as even working hard for a cause should be fun if possible. It shouldn't take a rank amateur more than a day to make any costume, and a half day will do for some if you've had any such

experience at all. A good idea is to have each member of the group make her own (except the dear children, who will be considered agreeable if they just stand still long enough for a fitting or two). You can make a delightful social affair of this job by having the group meet at someone's house, so you can all cut, paste, and sew together. With a cup of tea or a glass of lemonade as reward no one will mind the busy costume-making day. And in the end, the results will do as much or really more good than the same time spent knitting an extra sock or rolling some extra bandages.

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The play itself, called "A Vegetable Convention" and described as a "fantastic comedy," is best presented in an enclosed garden with a tall hedge, wall, fence, flower border, or other barrier across the back, and a wooden gate or some form of opening in the center through which the characters can enter. If possible, it would be nice to have clumps of bushes or high potted plants in the foreground, from behind which some of the characters can make their entrances. Having made these or similar simple arrangements, hope with all your might for a pleasant day. (Of course, it can be given in an auditorium, come the rains!)

On rereading the script we find that it has some hilarious moments, some really funny lines. But that's not all, for it also serves a practical purpose in teaching you some facts about nutrition you may not have heard before. You'll brush up on which vegetables have which vitamins, and pick up a few other tips such as the fact that cucumbers are ninety-four per cent water. And the plot is a first-rater.

You'll be interested to know, too, that this play is no mere amateur's dream, but the work of an experienced and really prominent figure in the annals of America's stage. Theatregoers of a generation ago will recall the author as Elizabeth Tyree, a member of Daniel Frohman's famous Lyceum Theatre Company, a charming and popular comedienne and, later, a star in her own right. Since her retirement from the footlights, she has been active not only as a garden club member, but also in writing skits about gardens and gardening and helping her friends and neighbors produce them. "A Vegetable Convention," first staged a few years ago when the present keen interest in nutrition began, is now dedicated by Mrs. Metcalfe to the Victory Garden Program, for use by groups that want to raise money and have a jolly time doing so.

We hope you are able to raise a good sum. The first presentation of this play brought in what seemed to us a fabulous sum, which indicates that with any luck at all your group should do very well indeed.



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This is PAUL'S HOUSE in Gersey

NLIKE the famous Jenny, Paul could not make up his mind and so remains a bachelor AND minus this weekend house we designed for his seven acres in Bernardsville, N. J. He fussed and waited-and priorities got him. However, there seems no good reason why some enterprising young couple shouldn't have our snug little house--for if we thought it a tight and work-saving week-end house for a bachelor, it is all of that and more for a modern couple who have no idea of taking on a house that will run THEM. Take the kitchen-in-theliving-room idea, for instance. Suppose both sides of the house go off to work. It's not our idea of fun for the gal to rush home at five o'clock and bury herself in some hot little hole indicated as a "kitchen" on the plan, but solitary confinement in actuality! In our little house, Pa can read the evening paper, but read it aloud while the Missus whips up dinner just behind the counter. If there's home work, the same theory works for Pa of an evening. The small but quite adequate "office," occupying no more space than the useless "entry," is in full hearing of the living room, yet secluded enough to get the figures added up straight or whatever. One of the two small closets can be left for combination coat-and-overnightguest use, leaving a linen and general storage closet. The closet in the bedroom is really super duper for so small and tight a little house. There is an inside entry from the garage, and the plan provides for garage space being easily and inexpensively converted into a second bedroom, nursery or, if life eventually becomes more leisured and formal for our young couple, becoming a kitchen and

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Sketches by W. J. Hennessey

breakfast room, with no expensive wall openings to be ripped out when plans are changed. The plan allows ample room between old and that new bedroom or kitchen wall for wonderful storage and closet space.

Heating and plumbing are planned for the most economical installation possible, with maximum provision for air and sunshine to stream in and make our house cool in summer and a gay little place in winter. Please note our quite wonderful solution for shutters. If our ego seems inflated, excuse please. It is not that our little house is so wonderful, it's just that it WORKS! We have so many attractive and gay little houses submitted and get very excited over them. However, when we study the plans and provisions made for living in them, we reluctantly wrap 'em up again. They're mighty cute AND mighty impractical. Cooking in the living room, for instance. It makes wonderfully good sense, and the smell of food cooking is beautiful. Unwashed pots and pans and attendant "mess" after any major cooking operation, however, are not so beauteous. And so our high counter takes care of all that. The cook is in the living room

—but the dirty dishes offend none either during or after meals, should one want to leave them unattended. Just so with the practicality of our shutters. This little house was intended as a week-end house. Now little boys brought up in the nicest of homes too often find windows in unoccupied houses tempting to their skillful aim. We wanted shutters so that the house could be quickly but efficiently shut up during absence. The usual shutters cannot be used on corner windows, but we had our heart set on corner windows, both for interior furniture arrangement and external appearances. Herewith our solution. They provide not only the necessary protection if and when the house is closed up, but give a distinctive note of color and "weight" at the corners as well. They are made like any ordinary louvered shutter, but could be so planned that they could act as outside Venetian blinds for controlling light and air. Windows are stock Andersen windows—the kind that slide open to one side, rather than projecting into the room, making the area around the windows useful



whether windows are open or shut, and much easier to open when bunks are built in around windows than are the type that have to be pushed up and down while kneeling on said bunks! The only small window opening in the entire house is in the bathroom, where we planned two regular stock basement windows, thus allowing air and privacy when the terrace was in use. Note, too, while we're in the bathroom, that the entire window wall is built-in, with a built-in hamper at one end, the balance cupboard space providing ample room for bathroom linens, first aid and hygienic supplies. This relieves one of the closets for the exclusive use of linens, since only bed linens have to be housed and these can be stored under or over clothes space. Vents at both ends of attic space for ventilation. Exterior, concrete block. Wallboard and pine for interior finish. Interior doors, trim, etc., to be pine; a fireplace unit so that the fireplace would give maximum comfort; space provided in the heater room for storage of usual light laundry equipment.

And so we give you Paul's house, the bachelor priorities "got." It's tight and snug—and too homey for a bachelor anyhow!

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E ARE natural renters. Our salary is both good and constant - something not to be sniffed at in times like these-but our work leaves us only a few years in each town, too short a time, we have felt, to make the purchase of real estate practicable. But, like most people whose mode of life is necessarily transitory, we crave the feeling of permanence and, once anchored in a house, we would stay there until our work forced us to move on-if our landlords would let us.

Not that any of our landlords has ever actually drawn a gun on us. Or burned down the house to get rid of us. Quite the reverse. They inevitably coax us to stay, yet all the time they put on an ouster campaign which would make even the wiliest politician ashamed.

Let me say here that I believe few landlords consider what they sell a tenant for rent. Shelter, of course. More or less conveniences. But the most important item of all, as the renter sees it, is security. And that, mostly, they don't consider.

Once we rented a house that suited us right down to the ground. It had an extra catch-all for fishing tackle, a window on the back porch, a bed for pansies in just the right place. I liked it, and told the landlord so. That was a mistake. For it seems he liked it, too.

The first time he came to collect rent he told us: "This is a desirable house all right. I could have rented Problem landlords she has met—and moved out on are told off, and in no uncertain terms, by one of their luckless tenants—

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JOHANNA MEEK

it to a half dozen other parties the same day I rented it to you."

Harmless sounding. But nevertheless I wondered if there was some one of them he'd rather have had paying him his monthly stipend.

But I forgot it and went on planning to live there the rest of my life if I was allowed to stay in his town that long. Until the next month when he collected_rent again. "You know," he confided, "I've been offered two dollars a month more for this place than you folks pay. What do you think of that"!

What I thought, though I didn't tell him, was that he was planning to capitalize on our affection for the place. And I knew I wouldn't pay it. Somehow, nothing seemed so good to me as it had before.

"This is really too nice a back yard to be torn up for a garden," he said the next month, when he found me uprooting crab grass and dandelions and planning to plant peas. And a month later he informed me that the house across the street had the same number of rooms as mine. "But the renters pay five dollars more than you do." And so it went on. Always some small remark that belittled us and exalted his place, until we lost all pleasure in it and wished we were out. And we were. Before I even bought the fishing tackle. Or the pansies had started to bloom.

Yes, I know. He didn't really want us to move. He just thought we'd be better tenants if he kept us properly grateful for what he was giving us, while we thought we paid cash for that. We moved. And so has every tenant that followed us. At the rate of two a year.

I like to contrast that experience with one in another town. We rented from this landlord scarcely a year, but I know we would have been there yet if our job hadn't changed. We never saw him but that he left us feeling we were the best renters he ever had. That he was fortunate indeed to have got us. We got to believing it. For our part, we polished that place till it shone. If he thought us that good we couldn't let him down. That's what the feeling of security can do. And nobody can build it up or tear it down but the landlord himself. Leaky faucets, poor heat, or even

rats in the wall have never driven out so many tenants as have landlords' thoughtless tongues.

I had one, a landlady this time, who kept me virtually packed up all the time I was living in her house. "My dear," she would say seriously, "my husband says we are foolish ever to rent this house at

all. We should live in it ourselves. It's a lot better than our present one. And you know, we only live once"! In the fall she added hints that they couldn't forego living there later than spring. In the spring she reluctantly gave up moving until fall. The house was nice and I could have enjoyed it. But I was afraid to do anything permanent, like setting out plants or buying a rug to fit. So I made up my mind to let her have her house. That was several years ago and she hasn't moved in yet, though she's telling her present tenant she will.

But our last experience was our worst. We rented from a man who lived out of the state. He was here for the express purpose of renting his property and, as he pathetically explained to us, "hunting a tenant who will stay." That was right down our alley. Our desire for the place bloomed like a rose. And when he announced that he would rather have steady tenants at a reasonable rent than short-timers at a higher rate, we thought we'd found Mecca at last. We made a deposit on the place immediately, before he could get away from us. The place was run down. But

what did we care? We would fix it up. So we cleaned off the back lot, repaired fences, nailed boards back on the garage, built new front steps, and improved the appearance of the place a lot. That fall, still enjoying our dream, we set out roses and perennials and I gave up a new coat to paint the front porch. By the second summer we had the prettiest place on that entire street. Then the owner, in town on other

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> business, chanced to stop by. At first he was surprised, almost amazed, at the change in the place. Then he began to admire it. Then,

as his pride in ownership increased, he felt gypped **ON GUARD** at having rented it at THE HOME FRONT such a low price and up and raised our rent! The answer to the land-

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E have said for months, our homes are the bulwark of democracy. It is our patriotic duty today to guard them and keep them as cheerful and comfortable and charming as we can. Don't let's grimly sit out the war with our homes exactly as they are now. Rather, let's replace worn-out and useless articles; let's repair and refresh still useful ones; let's give the old ones a pick-up with new touches that are gay and frech and light. Hold that home front! FLOOR COVERINGS: There are new yarns, new techniques in floor coverings. Tone-on-tone effects are still popular. Very newest patterns are allover florals in two or more colors, which make it a simple matter to harmonize them with what you already have or what you plan to buy new. They're practical, too, and don't show soil, a point to be considered in these busy days. New linoleums and print enamels, too, are apt to come in multi-colors, which makes it easy to work out a color scheme.



and this is what we saw!

FABRICS: Many of the new slip-cover and drapery fabrics come in ensembles so that your decorating problems are all solved before you get to them! Luckily, too, many of them show colors you are apt to have in rugs or wall color, so they will work in beautifully with what you already have. There are plenty of greens and burgundies and dusty roses and blues of all kinds and even some touches of strong vivacious South American colors. Step up, ladies and gentlemen, and pick your favorite winning colors! FURNITURE: Nothing contributes so much to actual physical comfort at home as the right kind of furniture for your particular home and your particular family. There are many kinds on the market, to fit all budgets. You will find a lot of native woods, like oak, maple, and the like; a lot of double-duty pieces which always pay their way extraordinarily well; lots with storage space; plenty of pieces that have left their Gargantuan proportions behind and are scaled down to fit reasonably small-sized rooms. Everything we show you is practical and useful for 1942.







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Staying at home will be easy if your "outdoor living room"

Heywood Wakefield

Your floor is one of the most important parts in any room. If you don't believe it, look at it in your outdoor living serviceable see what a difference a pretty dress makes! Maybe the life is all its fundamental nudity, then floor. Well, on page 44 we show you some of the prettiest carpets

and rugs of the season. At far left is "Mansion House," a beautifully drawn design in soft blues and pinks, with a little green. In the 9' x 12' size it costs about \$80. Next comes one of those wonderful "sculptured" carpets with fine lights and shadows at about \$149.50. The floral rug next has

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a fashionable beige ground, with a design in wonderful flower colors, and it's only about \$60. One of the spring tone-on-tones, next, comes in a deep rich burgundy, both durable and pleasant to the eve. It costs about \$80. One of the new mixed yarn floor coverings, next, is Suffield, in soft colors harmonious with many others-about \$50. The last carpet on the top row is made of reclaimed materials. If you send in 42



pounds of material, this pattern in size 9' x 12' will cost about \$40. In the circle is a new broadloom floral in tone - on - tone. fresh and gay for the new touch you are after. It is about \$90, excellent value. All of us are out for

labor savers in these days, and linoleum is definitely one of these. Many of the new patterns follow the multi-color idea, so easy to use, and there is a wide variety of patterns. At far left, page 44, is a Gold Seal rug, "Americana," telling stories of American history in gaily colored pictures. Well under \$10 for 9' x 12' size. Star in the inlaid linoleum (same page) is in red, black, and blue and is around \$2 a square yard for standard gauge installed. An interesting hooked rug pattern has been adapted for the felt base rug at the right, also well under \$10 for 9' x 12'.

Fabric is another tool easily at hand for brightening up any room that has become a little down at the heel. New draperies and slip covers can change its character over night and bring in the color and gaiety we all crave when nerves are tense. Many of the fabrics have been worked out in ensembles, so there is no problem at all in finding something to "go with" something else. Take those two fab-

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"Drink your orange juice, Junior!" raises a storm of stubborn objections, you can settle your tempest, in a teapot! Invite your young problem child to have "tea" with you. Lay the table just as you do for grown-up parties, with regular cups and a large teapot. No kid stuff! Make a plate of miniature, but healthy sandwiches and sit down to "tea," while your child pours. __EFFIE LEE ESTES

TWO

rics at the left on page 45. De-

signed for team work, they have a

rich creamy ground, to go with ivory walls, and designs in burgundy and green. Use the large

laurel design for a sofa or draperies, the small bow for a small

vard. Another ensemble is done in organdie, as sheer and fresh as anything you can imagine to freshen up a bedroom. Both of these, too, are about 95¢ a yard. One of the most striking chintzes of the season carries pink and purple petunias, as glamorous as those in your own garden. Here's a great deal of beauty for \$1 a yard. At the end of the banner are two ensembled washable sateens in soft hydrangea blue with pale rose and white in the blossoms. The flowered pattern would be lovely for the top of a bedspread, the ombre stripe for the flounce; the two could be combined in a slip cover; or each could be used separately in the same room. You need pay only about 89¢ a vard for these distinguished and colorful materials.

Down in the righthand corner of page 45 are three more fabrics we couldn't resist. The one at the left is a woven cotton in yellow and gray. Fifty inches wide, this material is about \$4.15 a yard. The sturdy woven cotton stripe in the center is a full 108" wide, something of a miracle in itself. It is wide enough to make a bedspread, and for draperies the width can be used for full length. Colors are beautiful-amethyst and rose is one combination we particularly like. Price is only about \$2.70 a yard. At the right is an Everglaze chintz in cool fresh mint green and



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white, selling for about \$1 a yard.

Now that you have seen the sheer beauty of these floor coverings and fabrics you will enjoy coming with us to the furniture department-and a fascinating one it is, too, where not only beauty but comfort abound. A sofa of some sort is practically a necessity, and we urge one that is really welcoming when you drop down into it after a day's activities. Sofa #1 on page 44 is a Charles-of-London type and belongs in a rather formal room of ample proportions. About \$165. In #2 we find excellent simple lines that will be at home in any kind of home. Like the leopard, this sofa changes its spots according to the kind of material selected to cover it. Chintz would make it cottagy; a textured material, modern; while damask would give it dignity and formality. This is an extremely good buy at about \$115. Next, our #3, is a most distinguished and different sofa in British oak. Sturdy and at the same time with a great deal of grace, this we can visualize in a modern room that aims to be "different." It is a sofa that men like-and that's important! This sofa is under \$100. An English club sofa, shown in our #4, packs in lots of comfort and is a type that has been a favorite over the



CAKE FOR BABY: For baby's first birthday, pile mashed potatoes into the shape of a cake, surround with "frosting" of buttered beets or spinach, and center it with a hollowed-out cooked carrot candle holder and an asparagus stalk candle. -MRS. ELMER STOWELL

MYSTERY MAKES MONEY: If you're giving a benefit party, remember that curiosity is one of your best allies, and wrap up the white elephants instead of letting them stand out in the open for sale. People are much more likely to part with their nickels and dimes if they aren't sure of what they'll get. -MRS. DAVID CANFIELD

years. It sells at \$79. If you're starting at the beginning and must get a great many things all at once, it's smart to buy a set, consisting of a sofa and two matching chairs. In #5 we had space to show only the sofa, but take our word for it, there are two chairs to go along with it. The three come in a choice of limed oak or maple, at about \$90 for all three pieces. The studio couch is the answer to the problem of both a bed and a sofa in a oneroom home. So here is an excellent model, and inexpensive too. Only about \$40, the price is little enough for one piece of furniture with not one, but two lives!

There is an infinite variety of chairs, and it's essential to count on one comfortable lounge chair for every member of the family with several "pull-ups," smaller chairs easily movable from one part of the room to another. Our first chair, #7, matches the Charles-of-London sofa. Like it, this offers the utmost in comfort, and in muslin it is about \$83. Next is ± 8 , which suits with equal grace the period room or the modern one -men as well as women will like it. About \$59 in muslin. Remember that sofa we were telling you about? The one that reminded us of a leopard? Well, #9 is the chair that goes with it and that has the same adaptable qualities. It sells at about \$57. #10 is a comfortable wing, small in scale, about \$55. We wanted to show you, too, the British oak chair, #11, which goes with #3 sofa and is about \$45.

For that "pull-up" or occasional chair, our very big vote goes to #12. Here's a chair with a tremendous amount of oomph, which at the same time makes a lot of sense. There is no fabric over the arms to get soiled, and it takes a very small amount of material to cover the seat. The price is about \$45. So many modern chairs are built on a large scale that it is refreshing to find a small one in #13for those who want modern plus the spacious feeling that goes with it-about \$40. Have you discovered host chairs yet? If not, it's time you did. So here is #14, intended as a dining-room chair for host and hostess, and excellent for that use, since it introduces some soft upholstery into a room that usually is very "woody," with table, sideboard, and wood chairs. But it has another advantage, too. At the drop of a hat it can grace the living room, where it will offer hospitable comfort to a guest. This is about \$35 or less, according to its cover. For an informal room there is a chair of bleached oak. #15, with comfortable seat and back cushions. For those with modern predilections we highly recommend chair #16, which offers real ease and is around \$16.



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One of the most useful types of tables is that well-known nest. The one we show you, #17, is made of one of our native woods, Piedmont cherry. The top, with drop leaves open, is good and big, 34 x 16. The entire nest of four tables costs about \$39. Whether most of your furniture is light in finish or not, we suggest a good, generous coffee table in desert tan, #18, which will give a nice contrast and lift. This is a good sturdy one that won't tip over and that is big encugh to hold whatever you want it to. It is about \$21. Another coffee table, #19, also in a light finish, has a revolving top like grandmother's "lazy Susan." About \$18. If you have a long, narrow room, consider an oval coffee table. A little different is #20, and in maple finish it's just right for that Early American room. About \$15. Next, #21, is a lamp table with those extra shelves we were talking about, at \$14.95. And then comes #22, a Duncan Phyfe coffee table with a glass top, elegant if you plan using it for the service spillables. About \$7.95.

Now your living room is not the only one you have to furnish. Of course you think of dining rooms or dinettes, and also bedrooms, but we want you to think of furnishing that out-of-door space of yours, too, whether it is a lovely big garden or only a tiny back yard. Don't forget that we are going to spend a lot of time at home this summer, and that our big outdoors is going to prove a wonderful refuge-but only if it's gay and comfortable. On page 46 are some of the out-of-door pieces we particularly like. Take #23. There's nothing new about a saw-buck table with benches to go with it, of course, but it's one of the most practical outdoor necessities we know about. Tops are of smooth fir, legs of cedar with bark left on. Six people can be seated easily. Price about \$15. We have always liked folding pieces for the garden, so easy to put away in the winter and to snatch away from a sudden rainstorm. Consisting of a folding stand and a butler's tray top, #24 comes in white or in maple finish, and the two pieces cost about \$11. That little stepped-back table,

#25, is in white or natural birch, and has room for refreshments, magazines, all the comforts of a hot, lazy day. About \$10.75.

A pair of stick rattan end-tables, ± 26 , can be used separately for lamps, or pushed together as shown, to make a single table 30" in diameter. About \$17.50 the pair. Have you ever thought how many steps you could save by having some kind of buffet serving table out-of-doors? Here's one, #27, with drop leaves, a top which can be divided to suit your needs. and a bottom shelf permanently divided to accommodate plates, that salad bowl, and such. About \$45. Metal is always good and dependable, and here is a table and chair set, #28, with a nice airy feeling. The table, with glass top, is about \$39.50, arm chairs \$15 each, and side chairs \$12.50. Way over on the right in the sketches is one of those convenient wheelbarrow chairs. Of sturdy Western pine in natural finish, this has an adjustable back. About \$34.50.

oop rest is more important than Gever in these crowded days, and that means a comfortable and pleasant bedroom, for those alltoo-few hours of ease. And it won't be comfortable unless you have plenty of storage space. No woman we ever knew had enough closets, and chests with lots of drawers are the answer. Our #30 is a beautiful little maple chest, equally at home with antiques or reproductions, and in hall, living or dining room, as well as in bedroom. A chest-on-chest provides a glorious amount of storage space, and our #31 in cherry or mahogany veneers is a bargain at \$59. Its total height is 66", so it will not be overpowering even in a lowceilinged room. Did you ever stop to realize that a pair of chests. placed side by side, take up less room than two chests placed on different sides of a room, and that the two require only one mirror? The very simple and distinguished pieces, #32 here, are around \$55 each. Our #33 is not exactly what it seems-it's more! For it's a regular cedar chest, complete with lock and all, and a perfect place to keep woolen sweaters and socks that must be protected this year more than ever before. It is about \$45. We like this idea of cedarlined chests, so show you two more, on page 47, #34 and #35, a modern one, and an 18th century style. These are as good for hall or living room as for bedroom, and safe for pampering blankets and other woolens. These two are about

\$45 each. If you like picturesque old-timey things, here is #36, a spool bed and a chest in the same spirit-the bed about \$52 and the chest about \$70. One of the nicest modern bedroom sets we've seen, in a light elm-one of our native woods-has a beautiful soft finish and would grace any bedroom we know. Three pieces, #37, cost about \$98.50. Bleached mahogany makes #38, another modern bedroom group. We did not have the space to show you all the pieces, but the three essentials for a comfortable bedroom cost about \$62.50. An inexpensive little set, #39, in maple finished gum is just right for that Colonial room, simple and in good taste. It costs only about \$62.50 for three pieces.

oak, \$21.50, and is built to extend to 60" long. The left-hand chair, handmade by Virginia Mountain craftsmen, has a fibre rush seat, while the righthand one with its split oak back and duraleather seat is \$7.95. These come in natural wood or lacquered in bright colors. A choice of chair styles is offered, too, in #43 to go with the table in Harvest tan maple, attractive in any house. Table and four chairs about \$60, from St. John's Table

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only about \$62.50 for three pieces. Next, we come to dinettes you'll like forever. That #40 is made of birch in wheat finish. The table,



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38 x 54, extends to 76", and is about \$52.50. Side chairs are \$19.95 and arm chairs, \$25. Many people are using rattan the year round, so we chose a folding

card table and chairs for a charming dinette set. The table for \$24, the chairs for \$18.50 each. With #42 we have shown two chairs, either of which would be delightful with the table, which is of solid



Co. The table in the last group is one of the smartest we've seen. It's a folding card table, but has extension leaves so when the game is over, they can be pulled

out and there's plenty of room for refreshments— $55\frac{1}{2}''$ long. The price is about \$20. The chair on its left has a lot of distinction, and sells for about \$9. The other, painted in black and gold, is about \$13. Sive your bathroom the charm of



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Blue Staffordshire (top), milk glass and red block pieces (center) and Westward Ho glass are now family treasures

GRANDMOTHER

HAT phrase has started probably 99% of all collectors of antiques on their careful quests. The antique bug generally lies pretty dormant until one day we walk through the door of a little shop and spy a piece of pressed glass or a quaint teapot that brings back all the memories of Grandmother's table, long ago.

Antique dealers count that day lost when they don't hear the words, "My grandmother had one of those." This budding interest is generally the first sign of a new recruit to the ranks of people who keep the dealers in business and send them on unending searches along the back roads and through attics. That remark is the outward evidence of a determination to replace those homely things of yore, to find exactly the same pitcher or pickle dish, that set of goblets, that your grandmother used.

I started out when I recognized a little boot-shaped glass toothpick holder and an Ironstone lustre tea set imported from England, which had crossed the Allegheny Mountains with my grandmother. The set had not been bequeathed to me, so I turned collector and set out to duplicate it. I did that, meantime picking up many other treasures. My first finds made up almost a complete set of the ever-popular Lion glass, the combination of clear and frosted. I liked, too, the Centennial glassware, for its historical significance, and added some of that, but I was happiest when I discovered the Westward Ho pattern which embodied both the combination of clear and frosted glass and historic figures in its pattern. I considered myself a real success at this business when I had tracked down a compote, four table pieces, sauce dishes, and a water pitcher. I would have gone after the goblets, which are extremely scarce, if it hadn't been for the exorbitant price of the few I did find.

On the suggestion that the clear glass lacked color in table settings, I added amberina and odd pieces in daisy and button. For dessert plates I went on to wicket milk glass. With color-consciousness in mind, I searched out some red block tumblers and water pitchers and a few table pieces, happily just before Christmas, and nothing could have resulted in a more effective holiday table than these mementoes of other eras.



The Ironstone tea set and toothpick holder (top) which started my search, and Lion glassware I couldn't resist

HAD ONE!

Throughout the Midwest, down the Eastern coast, I had been hunting all this time for the Ironstone tea leaf. I finally found a set in Ohio, just exactly like the one I remembered from my childhood, and its gleaming simplicity seemed a rich reward for my efforts. But then, I'd really amassed quite an array of prizes, all because of the urge to find this particular set-handsome deep blue historical Staffordshire like the teapot (pictured opposite page, top) showing Lafayette at Franklin's tomb, and the little white one showing Peekskill Landing. The glass boot toothpick holder eluded me for years, but at long last, that, too, turned up, in Connecticut. It is shown with the Ironstone on this page.

I've been helping a friend lately, and so far, together, we have duplicated her grandmother's copper lustre pitcher, a blue scroll and eye milk glass plate and a little glass condiment set, a maple canopy bed, an Eagle on Urn blue Staffordshire teapot and a portrait that looks exactly like her grandfather. I'm still infected with the disease, even though I long ago wore out my excuse that "Grandmother had one of those."

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Or garden shower-from rake to seed catalogues

Background, United Wallpaper

Treasure Island cruise ends when, the bride finds much booty in a small, homemade cardboard trunk

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Cookie shower, complete with frosting names on place-card cookies, and gay spring flowers in fat blue jar

Sketch, Tony Pelazzo

EFORE the actual wedding, with father standing by stiff and handsome in his striped britches, and before you're a rising voung matron busy entertaining the boss and spoiling the baby, have your last fling with the girls. Parties and fun are what we mean, and herewith present a flock of showers to brighten your life just before you take the final leap.

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the window. Point is that the hostess writes simple gift-hunt instructions on little slips of paper and puts these inside before she blows up the balloons. Samples are: "Go look upon the frigidaire, and see a present resting there" and "Yesterday upon the stair, the little package wasn't there." It's a mad scramble to find the gifts and present them to the guest of honor. (Note: You can use the balloon idea for a handkerchief shower-one dainty little number in each balloon.) Another new idea, number 2, is an old glass shower for a likely young collector, and it's especially nice if the hostess happens to be her best friend and feels that she can afford to present the bride-to-be with a whatnot, small table, or wall shelf on which to house choice



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pieces. Mrs. Medlock's third suggestion is for a garden enthusiast, and there are lots of them now, what with the Victory garden program. Books, plants, "dirt digging" clothes, and all kinds of garden tools make practical gifts that are fun, too. Finally, there's a kitchen shower that's not the dull old regulation idea of each person simply bringing a sieve, a strainer, or an egg beater. Instead, just after luncheon the doorbell rings and the hostess suggests that the guest of honor answer it. There, standing before her, is the world's most fantastic ugly duckling, Dinah, the dressmaker's dummy straight from mother's attic! She has a thick crop of dish-mop hair, and under the skirt of her red and white gingham dress are the cooking utensil gifts, complete from



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shaped piece of paper or perhaps done of

paper, or perhaps done as a confidential letter, the rest in equally appropriate forms. Then, when dessert is being served, these are presented on a tray or small platter with the cookie jar lid in the center and a border of daisies for decoration. At the same time the guest of honor is given a poem to read that states when she can expect a dozen of each kind of cookies from their respective makers. For a centerpiece, flowers in a cookie jar, later to be given to the bride, and for place cards, those below.

Herman Smith plans



Prettiest place cards to come our way–cookies with frills cut out of lace-paper doilies on top of gay bridge tallies. Guest of honor gets her cookie recipes served up on plate surrounded by daisies, and topped off by a cookie jar lid

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Fashion sketches by Cobbett Williams

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Isn't it time to get curious?



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smaller space, properly arranged and sectioned off, would be every bit as satisfactory. Also, it would have an automatic light that turned itself on when you opened the door. Very important to do away with groping around for that little box nestled back in the shadow of the door, if you see what I mean.

In the lower left-hand corner there would be two 3" x 3" drawers, one for small bottles and one for small boxes, both of which are liable to disappear, hide, or fall from the shelves when left mingled with other odd-sized bottles and boxes. The top shelf of the medicine cabinet would have a hinged partition, similar to a door, equipped with a lock and key. In this compartment would be kept all bottles and boxes containing poisons and special prescriptions.

A great many medicinal liquids come in tall pint bottles, yet never have I seen a shelf on which such a bottle could stand upright. To accommodate these larger containers there would have to be one shelf about eight inches high. The remaining shelves could be spaced in the usual manner to provide ample room for all currently used drugs and toilet articles of the average family and its house guests.

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HAVE peeked shamelessly into the medicine cabinets of every home I've visited during the past years. Some of the homes were large and some small, some were beautiful and some mediocre, but they all had one thing in common—a thoughtlessly arranged medicine cabinet. Most of them were clean, tidy, and fairly well stocked, but there was not the slightest evidence of really intelligent planning.

Perhaps the trouble begins when, apparently, the average architect makes up his mind that just any little cubbyhole with four shelves will do. Even worse, it's not at all unusual to find a big, elaborate medicine cabinet that turns out to be too shallow and with such poorly spaced shelves that you haven't a chance in the world of fitting in the most important bottles. So, like every nurse I know, I've dreamed up what seems to me the perfect solution. So here it is.

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Croton Oil	Empty stomach	Flour and water or white of egg beaten	Apply heat to hands and feet Give stimulants
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hich has been written the name f the drug and the date on which was purchased.

6. If there are children in the ouse, poisons should be kept in a ocked compartment, the key to be he responsibility of an adult. Look t the medicine cabinet on page 61 see how easily this can be aringed with a little planning.

7. When a physician writes a rescription, it is advisable to ake a note of the date and the umber assigned to it by the drugst. This avoids unnecessary dey in later refilling.

8. Arrange the medicine cabinet that every item has a definite ace. Once the family becomes sed to these locations, do not hange them. In an emergency, luable time is saved when necesry items can be taken from the binet without the delay caused misplaced articles.

9. Clean out the medicine cabit regularly, discarding or replacg unnecessary or depleted sup-ies. Medicines which show a ange of color, taste, or odor ould be discarded. There is alays the possibility that a chem-



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l change or deterioration has ected the contents of the bottle. 10. Ask a physician to recomnd a satisfactory brand of each the following and keep a supply hand at all times: An antacid, a ative, an antiseptic, a disinfecit, a preparation for minor rns, a relief measure for common adaches, a gargle, nose drops, a uth wash, and a lubricant. In lition to the usual toilet articles, cabinet is not complete witha roller bandage, gauze pads 'x 3"), adhesive tape, rubbing ohol, band-aids, safety pins, thpick applicators, tweezers, a duated medicine glass, thermomr and a real measuring spoon.



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OUR own garden is as good a health and beauty salon as we know of, for you can gather in a perfect waistline and slender hips as well as armfuls of flowers or baskets of tomatoes. So in each photograph you see the "front model" doing a job correctly, and in the background a shadow without benefit of instruction. And don't forget that the right way to handle anything from a rake to a potted plant is the easiest, fastest, and healthiest.

For example, the young lady setting out small plants is in a comfortable kneeling position, while the shadow who is sitting down and reaching over and forward may come out of it all with a stiff neck, a pain in the back, and ultimately a sunken chest. She'll have sore muscles, and not from healthful exercise, either. Next you see her carrying a loaded flat, and the idea here (which applies in lifting all heavy objects) is to keep the back and arms straight, using your whole body as a "brace" to distribute the weight. All wrong is the shadow, whose arms are practically tied up in knots and whose back is suffering unnecessary strain. Probably she'll be puffing and panting before long, as evidenced by the tousled hair. Next you see a little imaginary edge trimming, and the important point in this and other work involving motion is balance-most easily accomplished by doing a kind of "duck waddle" while you sit on one heel. Don't copy the shadow, for holding her position is not a bit like the touching the toes exercise. If you're manicuring the lawn with a bamboo rake, the trick is to develop a light touch; use it as you would a broom, with quick, short, sweeping strokes-definitely not the shadow's long, hard pull.

The man of the family can make his hard work easier, too. Example: long, drawing strokes with little lifting do the metal rake job. Using a spade correctly employs the weight of the body applied via instep or ball of foot, and a sliding grip with the lower hand. The shadow's *all* wrong—back doubled up into a hump, hand too low and foot clumsily placed. Finally, when you push a lawn mower, bend arms and "lean" on it; don't use a stand-offish, straight-armed thrust.







Do use long drawing strokes for a metal rake. Hon't try choppy, ineffectual digs





Do apply body weight through foot when digging. Non't hump your back and do a "double up"

ON GUARD

Do push lawn mower with body and bent arms. Bunt use the tiring, straight-arm thrust

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Under the guidance of Mrs. Julia Kiene, the women of Mansfield keep their families in top-notch condition

F YOU'VE wondered whether a nutrition program can actually work for a whole community, come with us to Mansfield, Ohio. As a nation, we have been advised over and over to take up this business of nutrition, but many of us have felt that the advice was directed to our neighbors and we've continued the cooking and eating habits familiar for years. Not so the women of Mansfield, who have delved into the mysteries of nutrition and found it simple and, best of all, sensible. The impetus came through a "Health for Victory" club formed among the wives of workers in the vast Westinghouse plant there.

When the factory went on a war-time production schedule, with longer hours, harder tasks for every employee, Mrs. Julia Kiene, Home Economics director for Westinghouse, felt that high nutrition standards were an urgent need; that if the army of men working on important jobs was to be fed as well as is the army fighting the war, it was up to the wives and mothers of Mansfield to help do it.

So, last spring, Mrs. Kiene summoned them to hear about plans for the "Health for Victory" club. Several hundred came, some already enthusiastic and anxious for more knowledge, others openly skeptical about its benefits. But they came, they saw, and they fell in line with the cause.

Mimeographed booklets, 73 pages of proven

advice, were given to the women, who filled out questionnaires making them club members and then started home to begin the work of keeping their families fit through proper, substantial diets. Each month the women receive from Mrs. Kiene and her staff a detailed bulletin including not only recipes but also menus for the next thirty days, three meals a day, which embrace the daily requirements of proteins, vitamins, and minerals, plenty of calories for hard working men and energetic children, and plenty of good things to eat.

The meals have been planned on the basis of a weekly expenditure of about \$14 for a family of five, averaging thirteen and a half cents a meal per person, approximately the same amount that the Army spends on each man's meals. Of course, slight variations are inevitable because of changing market conditions, but the bulletins urge the homemakers to shop only once or twice a week in order to take advantage of quantity buying and market specials, and to plan menus in advance in order to save time, avoid monotony, and to insure wellbalanced diets. A week's menus are given herewith.

Realizing that every home doesn't boast the very newest equipment, Mrs. Kiene insists that each recipe pass muster on every type of stove, and sees to it that they are based on methods which will result in the most appetizing as well as the



MONDAY Stewed Apricots Soft-Cooked Eggs Cracked-Wheat Toast Milk Lunch Lunch *Cream of Celery Soup Cheese and Lettuce Sandwiches Fresh Fruit Dinner Imon Salad Dunce Imon Salad Salmon Salad Rice Casserole Whole-Wheat Bread and Butter e Fruit Gelatine Milk Coffee EEBAY Breakfast Prepared Cereal with Sliced Banana Bran Muffins, Butter Milk TUESDAY Bacon Lunch Split Pea Soup Lettuce and Hard Cooked Egg Sandwich Fruit Salad Cookies Milk Dinner *Braised Liver en Casserole Tossed Green Salad Parsley Biscuits Cherry Pie Coffee Milk WEDNESDAY Breakfast *Fruited Oatmeal Toasted Enriched Bread, Jelly se Milk Fried Egg Coffee Conce Lunch *Corn Chowder *Keep-a-Week Bran Loaf Brown Betty with Lemon Sauce Milk Dinner *Veal Rolls, Vegetables Wilted Lettuce Bread and Butter Coffee *Baked Custard Milk THURSDAY Breakfast Prepared Cereal Whole-Wheat Toast Milk Tom Bacon Coffee Tomato Juice Lunch Creamed Eggs on Toast *Mixed Vegetable Salad Chocolate Pudding Milk Dinne *Boiled New England Dinner Green Salad Bread and Butter Coffee *Deep Dish Rhubarb Pic Milk Milk Breakfast FRIDAY Canned Apricots *Scrambled Eggs Toasted Enriched Bread Coffee Milk Lunch Kidney Bean Salad Orange Pudding Crackers Milk *Vegetable Medley *Popover Green Salad Coffee Fresh Fruit and Cheese Milk SATURDAY Breakfast Grapefruit Juice Griddle Cakes *Honey Butter Mull Bacon Milk Coffee Lunch Vegetable Soup Egg Salad Sandwich Fruit Cookies Canned Fruit Milk *Roast Leg of Veal Tiny Ne Beet Greens *Hot B Grated Carrot Salad Grated Carrot Salad Dinner I Tiny New Potatoes #Hot Biscuits Milk SUNDAY Breakfast Baked Apple with Top Milk Prepared Cereal *Victory Coffee Cake *Poached Eggs Coffee Čocoa Dinner *Veal Chop Suey Stea Coffee *Strawberry Short Cake Late Snack Cold Veal Sandwiches Steamed Rice Milk

Cookies

Fruit Salad

Milk

• any herry pie Preparation time: 1 hr.	• keep-a-week bran loaf Preparation time: 1 hr., 10 min.	2
1 can (no. 2) berries, or 2 thsp. cornstarch 2 cups solid pack 33-94 cup sugar 74 cup juice 2 thsp. butter or margarine 1 thsp. lemon juice Pastry for a double crust pie	tening	
M ix berries, juice, and lemon juice together and pour into a pie pan which has been lined with pastry. Mix cornstarch with sugar and sprinkle over top of ber- ries. Dot with butter. Cover with top crust, which has an opening cut in it to let out steam. Bake in a hot oven (425°F.) 45 minutes. If you like full pies, use an 8" pie plate, although 9" ones may be used quite satisfactorily. Blueberry pies are especially good, but any berry you might like may be used. Serves 6. yos cal. per serving. Source of ptamins A and C.	Sirr flour, sugar, salt, and baking powder together and add bran. Beat eggs, stir in milk and melted shortening. Pour liquid into dry ingredients all at once and stir only until dry ingredients are mixed. Pour into an oiled bread pan and bake in a moderate oven (375°F.) 50-60 minutes. This bread is very easy to make and when wrapped in waxed paper and stored will easily keep a week. 1936 cal. in loof. Source of utamin B complex.	
Tested in The American Home Kitchen	Tested in The American Home Kirchen	
• vegetable medley (left-aver) Preparation times 1 hr.	• hraised liver en casserole Preparation time: 1 hr., 20 min.	YII YII
4 tbsp. butter or margarine 2 cups canned tomatoes 2 cups celery 2 V/s tsp. salt 1 cup green pepper 2/s tsp. salt 1/s cups sliced mushrooms 3 tbsp. contstarch 1/s cups sliced onions 3 tbsp. cold water	 1 lb. beef liver 2 potatoes, sliced 4 cup flour 1 cup meat stock (or 1 y2 tsp. salt or to taste 1 cup meat stock (or 1 tcp meat stock (or 1 cup neat stock (or 2 tsp. shortening 2 caros, subed 1 onion, sliced 	
M ELT butter or margarine in a skillet. Cut celery, green pepper, and carrots into strips before measuring. Place these in skillet and add mushrooms, onion, tomatoes, salt, and pepper. Stir well, cover, and bring to steaming point. Reduce heat and simmer for 35 min. Mix cornstarch with water and stir into other ingredients. Simmer 10 minutes longer. May be served with steamed rice or noodles. Serves 6 and makes a good meat substitute.	Cur liver into 2" squares. Roll in flour, which has been seasoned with salt and pepper. Brown in melted shortening. Remove liver and brown carrots, onion, and potatoes slightly. Remove vegetables and blend in any remaining flour left from dredging the liver; stir in meat stock and tomatoes. Combine gravy with liver and vegetables, add bay leaf and pour into casserole. Cover. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) 1 hour. Other vegetables may be added or substituted. Serves 4.	
Tested in The American Home Kitchen	Recipe submitted by CLAE JENKINS THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN	
New England builed dinner Preparation time: 3 hrs., 43 min.	• cream of celery soup ("quickie") (add as min. for cooking colored)	
3 lbs. corned beef 6 carrots 3 cups water 1 yellow turnip 1 head cabbage PLACE corned beef and water in deep well cooker of an electric range or in	1 cup cooked celery diced Dash of paprika 2 cups celery water ½ tsp. butter or margarine 4 tbsp. flour ½ tsp. salt 1½ tsp. salt 2 cups milk	
a dutch oven on other ranges. Bring to boiling point, lower the heat, and cook for 2½ hours. Cut turnip in eighths and carrots and potatoes, if large, in halves. Cut cabbage into medium-sized sections. Remove corned beef from kettle and place vegetables in meat stock. Cook from 45 minutes to 1 hour. If there is enough room, meat should be placed on top of vegetables to keep warm while vegetables are cooking. This is a typical old-style, American dinner and your family will enjoy it for a change. If the price of corned beef has soared too high, a ham end may be substi- tuted. Serves 6 generously. This is so good you probably won't have any left-overs	CELERV may be cooked day before if desired in the amount of water given. Melt butter or margarine in a saucepan and blend in flour, salt, paprika, pepper, and onion. Add milk and cook until thickened. Then add celery and celery water. Cover and simmer for 35 minutes. This soup is most attractive when served in dark soup dishes and garnished with either chopped or sprigs of parsley. Serves 4-5.	ON GUA THE HOME COOPERAT FOR VICTO
but, just in case you do, surprise your family at breakfast with corned beef hash topped with poached eggs. 447 cal. per serving. Good source of vitamins A and B complex. Tested in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN	Tested in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN	

(Mrs. Lewis Shrewsbury's

Javorite Menu Pot Roast, American Style Lettuce with Sour Cream Dressing Hot Rolls Bread and Butter Pickles Apple Crisp Coffee

most nutritious foods. The amount of sugar called for has been kept down, within the anticipated rations. Instructions for proper storage of every item are included. There are menus not only for the meals which the family eats at home, but also for those so-important midday meals that must be packed in school or factory lunch boxes, and that must contain good, solid sustenance. And what were the cardinal points of nutrition which



Mrs. Kiene preached to these women, in such understandable terms that they are now practicing them with steadfast zeal? First and foremost is the vitamized cooking of vegetables, which means saving vitamins that might otherwise be destroyed by too much heat or oxidation. Prior to embarking on this course, most of these Mansfield housewives had followed the good old ritual of cooking vegetables in plenty of water, in un-



Recipe printed on back of each photograph

F. M. Demarest

	Mirs. M. W. Stretch s ON GUARD THE HOME FRONT COOPERATING WICTORY Mashed Carrots Mashed Carrots Mashed Carrots Tomato Lettuce Salad Hot Biscuits Ouince Honey	covered kettles. They know now that little or no water is necessary if cooking is started at high heat and finished at gentle heat; that all foods should be covered during cooking so that their natural benefits won't evaporate into thin air; that they don't need expensive new utensils, but can use any pot or pan. They have discovered that if they cook with elec- tricity, only about $\frac{1}{4}$ of a cup of water (or with other types of fuel, $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ cup) is needed for boil- ing tender young carrots, and that only about 12
Spinade special: Mix 1½ cups finely chopped uncooked spinade with 1 hard-cooked egg chopped; 3 tbsp. mayonnaise, ¼ tsp. nutmeg, ¼ tsp. salt, and dash of white pepper. Good, wen forgetting the vitamia. Inter creacents Mix 1 pkg. (3 oz.) cream cheese until creamy and blend with 3 large dishes, peeled and chopped, ½ cup chopped green pepper, 1 tsp. chopped ctives, 1 tsp. chopped parisely, $\dot{\chi}$ tsp. mayonnaise. Your family will like this any time. Test Indian: Chop $\dot{\chi}$ cup peranuts or cashew nuts and add 1 tbsp. chopped chutney, 2 mayonnaise. Spread on thin fingers of enriched bread and lay water cress bletween so that the tips come out at each end. Best for tea sandwiches. Calla lifes: Cut thinly sliced fresh bread in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean the tips come out at each end. Best for tea sandwiches. Test and this spece for centers insert thin wedges of green pickle or tiny asparagus tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean the same and pinch one end to make lily shapes. For centers insert thin wedges of green pickle or thiny asparagus tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean to the asparate tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean to the asparate tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean to the asparate tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean to thing asparagus tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean to the asparate tips, manuated in $2\dot{\chi}$ -3 ^o circles. Spread with softened crean to the second on the color combination, other and 1 tsp. chopped for the formation. For the green and white color combination, enciden subset. To the green and white color combination, enciden and the soft are the green and white color combination, enciden and the bust is and. For the green and white color combination, enciden and the theorem is used.	 rhuharh crème freeze (hridge dessert) Preparation time 5 hrs. cups dieed rhubarb (1 lb. as purchased) 2 cups dieed rhubarb, add sugar, and cooffe aream 2 cup coffe cream 2 cup coffe cream 2 cup cooffe cream 3 cup cooffe cream	 vergetable meat lust vergetable meat lust vergetable meat land vergetable meat land
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minutes are required for cooking them thoroughly. They have cooked vegetable greens with only the moisture which clings to the leaves after washing, in 8 or 10 minutes. They, too, had secret fears that the food would burn or scorch, but experience has proved that it doesn't, provided the heat is properly regulated and not allowed to get too brisk.

Mansfield is glowing tribute to the manner in which Mrs. Kiene's program has "gone over the top." Westinghouse officials report fewer cases of absence due to minor illnesses, and also a reduction in industrial accidents, now that the men are better fortified. Visits to the homes of club members proved beyond a doubt that these women have already seen evidence in their families of the difference proper food can make in resistance, energy, and general health. They're all "for" nutrition!



*From The American Home Basic fil.

We arrived at the M. C. Yerigan home at noon, just as Neal, Clark, and Alan sat down with avid appetites for a lunch Mrs. Yerigan had prepared in accordance with the club plan. She says she always knew that the children should eat vegetables and drink plenty of milk, but she didn't know how to convince them of this wisdom or how to make these vitally important foods as appealing as others less beneficial. The club has solved these problems and, besides, the systematic shopping which it introduced has resulted in big time-savings for Mrs. Yerigan.

Mrs. Lewis Shrewsbury was busy to begin with, with a husband and brother for whom she had to pack lunches each day, and two husky babies at home. But she found time to enroll in the club and, by following its suggestions, she has hours more for sewing and canning, and for play with the children. Her club booklet was misplaced for a week, and she confesses that she felt lost without it. Even her husband noticed that things didn't taste as good! That experience convinced her of the value of the club program, and of the nutrition knowledge she's gained.

Mrs. John W. Zeigler confided that she's building up a tidy little nest egg with the money she has saved since planned buying became a reality in her kitchen management. Mrs. Zeigler had been famous for her cakes and cooking for a long time (her two sons are away at college but they manage to get home almost every week end for some of "Mom's" cooking) but she's learning new short cuts and improvements.

A T THE M. W. Stretch home, daughter Edith and her two brothers downed several glasses of milk with their lunch, without urging, and their mother freely admitted that the club has changed the order of things for them. Once the children were very liable to look at vegetables and sulk, "Are we supposed to eat *this*"? Not now. They know that they are supposed to eat it, for their own health's sake, but it looks and tastes so good they want to, anyway.

All over town, in fact, is encouraging proof that the women have learned their lessons well, and that Mrs. Kiene's advice has opened their eyes to the importance of proper diets in a community's wellbeing. Mansfield is just one of hundreds of towns where women are going all-out for nutrition, now that the need for it is becoming more and more apparent in their own lives. And since the right food builds healthy people, American women are playing a vital part by making nutrition their primary job. Health reigns in these Mansfield homes.

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Take a mattress pad, for instance, common garden variety. Not very summery or exciting, you say? Maybe not, in its unalloyed state, but expose it to peppermint-striped ruffles of chintz, as in the bedroom ensemble on the opposite page, and you've created something. The vanity group is perked up with bows of matching ribbon which at the same time fasten the ruffles to the table, bench, and mirror. The straight strip which frames the mirror is pasted to it and inverted pleats at the table corners keep the skirt from being uninteresting. Snap-tape has been used wherever fastening is needed, as on the chair covers and waste-basket jacket. The whole business can be laundered, too. . . . Decorative interest in beds seems to have gone to their heads these days in any number of ways, to wit, the four ideas on page 74. Fabrics and wallpaper have been used ingeniously and simply to excellent advantage. At the top, a bow of taffeta ribbon and a bunch of artificial roses do the trick, the long graceful ends tacked to the wall with milliner's glue. Blue and pink striped chintz has been used for the spread, and the pillow cover is lined with blue. Artificial flowers lift another headboard out of the ordinary. This time, white gardenias have been used at the corners of a headboard, made of plywood or beaver board, and covered with chintz, gathered on and held in place by molding that's painted a sparkling white. The plain chintz spread is corded and ruffled in white, too. At the lower left, the Campbells (or any other Scottish clan that suits your plaid fancy) have come. Three widths of wide plaid ribbon, knotted at the end and fastened one above the other, make a valance that gives simple white curtains the look of summering royalty. As a Scottish ensemble, the motif may be used on the bed. Do the spread in a plain cotton or chintz that will pick up a color in your plaid, ruffle it, as well as the pillow, with the plaid. Then cover a round piece of cardboard with the material, add a ruffle and use it as the rosette from which radiates the ribbon to the bed.

G ATHER ye roses while ye may get the wallpaper, cut them out, and splash around the window as a summer substitute for draperies. There's wonderful paper to be had on the market. You might use a rose or two as a background for an interesting over-the-bed group of silhouettes, especially fetching if the headboard has been covered with striped material or wallpaper. Paste and scissors accomplish wonders.

Paper doilies are useful articles, there's no doubt about it, but we never realized just how useful and ornamental they could be until we saw this idea of using them as part of a bed ensemble (page 75). The floral design of the chintz used as the spread has been cut out and pasted in the center of each doily, which in turn is pasted to a wide blue taffeta ribbon, or whatever color





Three little words with a meaning all their own, a meaning that you, dear reader, can translate into the breath of summer in your home in any number of smart, sweet, and pretty ways that any professional

would be proud to have dreamed up for the decoration of a client's home. Don't just depend on a slip cover or two to bring June to your living room. There are lots of other ways, easy on the eye and on the budget





suits your fancy. The eyelet motif of the doily is picked up in the embroidered batiste edging on the spread. Very, very feminine and fresh! Perhaps one of the richest rewards in summer decorating comes with doing something about the radiators! All winter, they have steamed, and sputtered more than likely, and have had to be treated with the respect due a prima donna volcano. After all, they have a utilitarian job of heating to do, and nothing should stand in their way. But come the summer, when this piece of equipment sits cold and dormant, you can be master. You can cover up the naked thing, if you're not fortunate enough to have a built-in job, and make it a thing of beauty, without giving yourself and your family pneumonia for the sake of decoration.

It calls for the making of a cover-all from plywood or wall board. From then on, the variations are legion. If the radiator is under a window, as most of them are, you've a wonderful opportunity to do a coverand-window ensemble that will make you wish that summer were an all year 'round proposition. Maybe you have a double window, with a long





nny radiator under it, a radiator that prohibits the use of to-theor-draperies for which the window yearns. You want to keep it light, the summer feeling. Use a simple, smart swag to the sill, to settle the pery question, and box in the radiator. There's no law against making the radiator into something else, for

There's no law against making the radiator into something else, for duration of the summer, either. And we don't mean you have to go or iron work or plumbing. There's a certain type of radiator that is the right height for a dressing table and, with a slight addition and a slip cover, you can have it. Use a board the length of the radiator and wider by several inches so you'll have knee room. Rest it on top of the radiator and anchor it by an upright at the back, which is screwed to the baseboard. Then dress the board in skirts.

Valances play a mighty impressive part in the summer decoration scheme, when draperies have for the most part either disappeared altogether, or have given place to light and airy curtains. Using a smart chintz or wallpaper on a plywood valance dramatizes the simplest window.



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This is just a sample of the list I give my husband in anticipation of guests. I've worked this party gag to acquire everything from a new lampshade to a new room. I contend that people who keep everything in such apple-pie order that their only party preparation is the invitations, miss all the fun of these last-minute skirmishes.

Yesterday our son celebrated his fourth birthday with some little friends as guests. But the Sunday before we celebrated-by finishing the stone steps to the garage and building a swing for the children. Our most extensive job was getting ready for a dinner for forty. Our driveway accommodated five or six cars, but the prospect of fifteen or twenty was something else. So, my husband turned surveyor and proceeded to haul gravel to and fro, until the night of the big event, when a stranger would have thought our parking lot had been included in the original blueprint.

We moved into our house before the interior was completed, but that fact didn't deter us from entertaining from the very beginning. Our friends have seen the house in various stages and have progressed with us from room to room. Each time we entertain we've just finished something to show off, or have a newly re-upholstered piece to unveil for the occasion.

Last winter, I realized that my club had met far too many times in the living room; I feared my parties were becoming stereotyped. So we bent our elbows and emerged with a new setting. What had been a catch-all for tools, broken furniture, and odds and ends in the basement, before a month rolled around was transformed into a game room. We put up a knotty pine partition to conceal the furnace; whitewashed the stone walls and beamed ceiling, waxed the red brick floor, and hung gay red monk's cloth draperies. The old-fashioned Franklin stove in the corner made it perfect, and people said good night with real warmth.

I'm making out my guest list now for a patio supper to be cooked in our outdoor fireplace. No, we don't have an outdoor fireplace. But it's a simply swell excuse for getting one.



is no trick at all if you resort to a simple standby – common brass hooks, the type that is used for drapertes. Hook them over the edge of the plate with the pin-point end to the front. Tie at the back with ordinary string or picture wire pulled taut to form a triangle. Hang at apex of triangle on small nail. The plates hang flat against the wall and can be thus applied in any motif desired, at a cost you'll hardly notice. They're particularly effective in dining rooms and in kitchenettes-KAY BACHRACH

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ATURALLY, John Howard Payne didn't have anything like this in mind when he wrote "Home, Sweet Home." But life has grown a lot more complex since our grandparents first sang that old song, and in many directions the hazards to which we're exposed have increased.

Most of us still think that we're safest at home. But evidence shows that some 3,032,000 accidents occur in the home in the course of one year, including 32,000 deaths (about one-third of the nation's total accidental fatalities—just below the number of persons killed in motor accidents and double the number that are killed annually in industry).

Heading the list of these home danger spots are porches and yards; 21% of all home accidents happen on the porch and outside stair, while 18.9% take place in the yard. The other principal locations for accidents, in the order named, are: 1, kitchen; 2, inside stair and hall; 3, living room; 4, bedroom; 5, basement; 6, dining room; 7, bathroom; 8, garage.

In all but one of these locations, by far the greatest number of accidents are caused by falls-92.2% of all porch accidents, and 72.8% of those occurring in yards. Consequently, entrance porches should preferably be one step above grade level, and regular porches and terraces at, or close to, the finished grade level. Where stairs and porches are higher they should have railings and be protected from rain, sleet, and snow. Adequate lighting is essential but should be of moderate intensity and wide distribution. In the yard, be careful about abrupt grade changes, undiscernible wire fences and clothes-lines, the surfacings of



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The places where the chief classes of fatal accidents occur in this country walks and the relation of drainage to them, objects like old trees, pools, statuary, outdoor furniture, steep slopes, steps and their lighting.

There are lots of small details inside the house, too, that are large in their possibilities of causing accidents. Suppose we look first at those in the basement, following the advice of Mr. D. F. Moynihan, who gives us the following excellent suggestions:

Valves that control hot and cold water, gas, and fuel oil piping are generally located in the basement. Every adult member of the family should be familiar with their location and operation. The switch and panel, with fuse boxes for the electric wiring, are in the same part of the house, as a rule, or sometimes in the kitchen. When things get beyond control in the upper part of the house, or elsewhere, prompt action in closing valves or pulling the electric switch may prevent extensive property damage or personal injury. Experienced plumbers and pipe-fitters are generally

suspicious of piping and fittings in the older houses.

Maynard L. Parker in your own 3,032,000 TOTAL ACCIDENTS 375,000 INJURIES RESULT IN PERMANENT IMPAIRMENT 600,000 INJURIES CAUSE DISABILITY OF ONE WEEK OR MORE 32,000 INJURIES RESULT IN A T HI IPAL CLASSES OF alifornia Home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert G. Brenn HOW SAFE IS THE YARD? Per Cent of All Accidents-18.9 HOW SAFE IS THE PORCH? Falls Per Cent of All Accidents-21.0 Collision 5.8 Falls . . 72.8% Others Collision

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before making additions or alterations in the existing wiring system. An electric flashlight, with batteries in operating condition, is extremely useful in the home at all times.

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examination may disclose holes or cracks which permit the escape of dangerous gas into the house.

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If the floors or stairs in the living quarters are slippery, caution visitors about them, and don't forget yourself. There is no need to have rugs skidding around the floor when walked upon; they can be treated or fixed to stay where they belong, saving many a tumble.

Heavy objects hanging on the walls may appear secure, and yet be quite the opposite; if there are any doubts, remove them and tap lightly along the wall with a small hammer until the sound indicates that there is something substantial behind the plaster. That's the place for the nail or screw, but do not drive it into the wall until you have drilled a hole of suitable size with a small hand drill. You'll be wise, also, to take a look at the lamp and



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- 4.
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OU'VE seen many like it-thousands of them are scattered through the cities of America. Large, squarish, solid with that sturdiness of foundation and frame which men built into their houses seventy-odd years ago, they once were the proudest homes on their varied streets. But times changed and towns grew to cities, and as business pressed in closer the neighborhoods began to run down as places in which to live. Finally the owners rented them for what they could get, moved away, and little by little the paint grew grimier and steady deterioration set in. Today, at best, they are simply old tenements, all grandeur gone with the straggly lilac bushes that used to flourish in the once pleasant gardens out in the ample back lot.

Yes, we've all seen them and can understand how Mr. A. Wayne Merriam must have felt about this particular one which he owns on Front street, close to an historic quadrangle in the city of Schenectady, N. Y. He knew it was structurally sound, but that was about all that could be said for it in its dingy condition. And yet there was a serious housing shortage in that part of the country, for Schenectady has two huge industrial plants and several smaller ones humming with war orders, and many of the defense workers were being obliged to live in trailer camps and all kinds of cramped, inadequate quarters. Clearly, every additional decent, convenient room that could be made available to them would be one more patriotic bit added to the national war effort.

So Mr. Merriam thought a while and then secured a Federal Housing Administration loan of \$5,000 through a local bank, called in Giles van der Bogert as architect and contractor, and set to work on a practical job of rehabilitation that is every bit as useful as it is good looking.

First came a complete and detailed checkup and study of the old house, which at that time looked pretty dilapidated. The measurements showed that its original oneThe old room at the top just wouldn't recognize its streamlined successor with the built-in kitchen unit. As for the new living rooms and house front—well!











family design could be altered to provide four separate apartments, and plans were drawn for these—two fairsized ones, each with living room, kitchenette and dining alcove, two bedrooms and bathroom; and two smaller ones, each containing living room, bedroom and bath. In the latter, cooking facilities are provided by electric kitchen units built into the living rooms in such a way that they can be concealed when not in use.





Both owner and architect were resolved to provide all the essentials of comfortable, up-to-date living, and so a thorough job of electrification was planned as part of the rehabilitation project. The antiquated coalburning kitchen range, with its cast-iron filigrees and ornate back, went by the boards as a matter of course; by comparison, the modern units which have taken its place hardly even suggest cooking equipment! But there was no need to rip out the really good old heating system; all that was necessary was to add a conversion unit in the cellar to provide for using oil as a fuel, rather than coal.

On the outside, it was a case of streamlining. You can see from the before-and-after photographs what happened to the "gingerbread" those gargoyles under the eaves, the shutters, the strange over-window





monstrosities, the central bay on the second floor, the gadgets around the entrance. In their place, now, there's the beauty of simplicity which, far from lessening

Modernized bathrooms now replace the old-timer-transformed in appearance and convenience, not to mention the ease of care

the homelike feeling of the place, enhances it with greater friendliness. Sometimes there's nothing like a good clean sweep of non-essentials for lifting the face of a homely house and keeping it lifted!

There are several angles to this project of Mr. Merriam's which make the soundest kind of sense. In carrying it through so successfully he not only has provided attractive, convenient homes for four defense-worker families where only one could live before, but, more important, he has set an example which many, many other owners the country over can follow with credit to themselves and direct benefit to their country. Besides all this, and without reference to the war emergency, the reha-

bilitation of old city houses such as this is a genuine community service in which many can participate.

The heating system was good, needing only conversion to oil







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guns." Mr. Merriam did just that! Yes, we must meet the needs of those men, in all the defense areas, who are making the materials for front-line victory. One way is open for those who, like Mr. Merriam, own well - constructed property suited to rehabilitation in warorder areas, for the Federal Housing Administration in Washington stands ready to aid in such projects. The need, the opportunity, the means-all are at hand, perhaps in your very own community. To bring them together for the benefit of all is a patriotic duty!



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VERY Saturday, members of Altar Guilds and Church Flower Committees arrange flowers in thousands of churches, all over the country. For flowers have had their place in religious ceremonies ever since the first Buddhist priest reverently laid a few storm-broken blossoms before the image of his deity. Yet never, apparently, have any rules been formulated for their

use in this connection, except that Catholic and Episcopal churches do impose certain restrictions in line with their designation of specific altar colors for certain occasions. All Saints Day, for example, calls for a white altar front and all white flowers, and so on. But because there are no prescribed directions as to how these flowers are to be grouped or arranged, it seems obvious that the application of some of the basic rules of flower arrangement and of decorating generally would improve the appearance of most churches, besides giv-

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ing those persons responsible for their adornment a deserved satisfaction in the knowledge of duty well done. We all appreciate that.

So, when you plan a decoration for a church, ask yourself such questions as these: Will the arrangement carry and be impressive when seen from a distance, from all parts of the church? Will the flowers not only be suitable in color, but also harmonize in spirit, texture, and scale with the altar?

The most impressive church decoration I can recall was a floor-toceiling massing of madonna lilies around a gold Mexican altar. Although too lavish and primitive for most of us to attempt, it illustrated certain adaptable features. For one thing, it had real drama and carrying power; it was as effective seen from the very back of the church as from the front. In the second

place, it enhanced the beauty of the edifice and therefore the spiritual power of the service; the hundreds of lilies with their uplifted heads expressed joy and exultation.

Altars, because of their situation, are usually dark and, as is generally known, colors to be seen in dim light should be strong and bright, The most vital factor in successful decoration of a church with flowers is to see the effect as a whole

> with sufficient contrast of tone to lighten the darkness. Bright, rich red, blue, green, yellow, and white, which might seem glaring

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in ordinary light, become quite beautiful in semi-darkness. Therefore, if we rank them in order of their effectiveness under such conditions and against a dark back-





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ground, we get: yellow, orange, red, crimson, purple, green, greenblue, blue, and violet. On the other hand, for use against a light background, the order of preference would be just the reverse.

Also, for effectiveness at a distance, flowers must be of simple form and large enough to hold their own-like lilies, for instance. If small blossoms, such as lilies-ofthe-valley, are used, they should be massed, preferably against a wide border of green foliage. In any event, a simple arrangement is invariably the best for church decoration because of this same carrying quality. If soft effects are desired, various shades-of pink, blue, and lavender-can be combined or "interlaced" so that, from a distance, they seem united in one delicate blend of color.

MATTER OF SCALE is equally important and to achieve results in this respect you must be sure that church flowers are always accessories, that is, subordinate to the candlesticks and the cross on the altar. Pairs of vases can often be used on different levels like steps leading up to the cross in the center, as shown in the picture on page 88. In Protestant churches that have no altars, the flowers are usually placed at the front of the platform or grouped about the front of the pulpit. In this case the all too common tendency to mass the flowers and greens to such an extent as to hide the architectural lines of the building or the details of the pulpit should be vigorously resisted. Here, too, the use of abundant foliage will give the arrangement more carrying power. But if large flowers are contemplated for the sake of accent, take care that they are not too brilliant. since they will not be in shadow. as in the case of flowers on an altar. White and gold is always a dignified and appropriate combination. If the church interior is of gray stone, red flowers create desirable quiet harmony, whereas against a background of brown woodwork, yellow tones are usually attractive and dependable.

There are, of course, special Sundays and weddings and other occasions when more elaborate decorations are needed. But even if they involve the whole church rather than just the chancel, the dominant effect should still be at the front where the service is conducted or the ceremony performed. Sometimes it is desirable to decorate the sides of archways, the bases of pillars, and the aisles; large branches of foliage or flowers in season are frequently useful for this purpose.







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moved in here, eight years ago." Yes, mother, there aren't so many



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1 pint of milk for adults, 3/4 to 1 quart for children

egg
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 servings of vegetables, one of which should be green, leafy variety
 serving of white or sweet potatoes
 servings of fruit, one of which should be citrus
 Whole grain or enriched cereal
 Whole grain or enriched bread

Whole grain or enriched bread Butter or fortified margarine



UTRITION, in simple understandable words, is the three meals a day you eat. If you ignore nutrition for one meal, then the other two meals have to take up the slack. If your husband and children eat one meal away from home, it's more important than ever to have the two

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DAILY PROTEIN NEEDS:

60 to 70 grams for the average man and woman Active men and women, growing children need more Active men and women, growing childfen need more 1 serving of meat gives 15 to 22 grams of protein 1 pint of milk gives 15 grams of protein 5 egg gives 7 grams of protein 5 servings of bread or cereal give 15 grams of protein 5 servings of regetables give 6 grams of protein 2 servings of fruit give 4 grams of protein Total-60 to 67 grams of protein

ET'S prove the nutrition pattern. The average woman needs 60 grams of protein a day. Adding the best protein foods from the nutrition pattern-15 to 22 grams

from an average serving of meat (3 to 4 ounces), 15 grams from one pint of milk, 7 grams from one egg, with the remaining 20 grams coming from the vegetables, fruits, breads, and cereals, the total is just the 60 grams of protein which are needed.

DAILY VITAMIN C NEEDS: 70 to 75 milligrams for the average man and woman Active men and women, growing children need more; small children need less For 70 to 75 milligrams of vitamin C:

5 oz. orange juice 6½ oz. grapefruit juice

12 oz. tomato juice About 2 cups shredded raw cabbage

E CAN go through the same routine for calcium and iron and all the vitamins. Let's take vitamin C, for example. To get 75 milligrams (a unit of measure) of vitamin C every day, which is the requirement for the average woman, you could drink 5 ounces of orange juice, or $6\frac{1}{2}$ ounces of grapefruit juice, or 12 ounces of tomato juice. Of course you can get vitamin C from other foods. Because vitamin C is easily destroyed by heat and air, some fruits and vegetables should be served raw. Every day vigilance is absolutely neces-sary to get your full quota of vitamins, minerals, and protein.

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