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MODERN... but planned for friendly living

PERHAPS you've often thought that some day you'd like to have a really modern home. But you've hesitated because you weren't sure you'd like to live with it.

Well, look at the exciting new home pictured above. It proves that a house planned for *efficient* living can be planned for *friendly* living, too.

You see, modern isn't just a style of decoration like Colonial or French or Queen Anne. With modern you don't have to follow the old rules. For instance, you're used to having every room enclosed by walls or partitions. But do you really need them? Eliminate some, and you can make much better use of your space. That's the kind of modern thinking that makes for more pleasant living.

In your living room right now there are probably several little tables with a lamp on each one. Are they really convenient? Suppose instead, you build in a sweeping shelf-table that serves both couch and chairs—and light your rooms with concealed fixtures that give you all the illumination you want just where you want it. That's modern—sensible and livable, too.

In a traditional home, you'd fill your room with vases of flowers. But when you go modern, you simply bring part of your garden right into the living room. And then frame it with a picture window that slides back into the walls and throws the whole room open to the outdoors.

Modern doesn't mean using only strange new materials either. Instead, the modern decorator uses familiar materials in new ways. Linoleum floors, for example.

In many modern homes you'll find linoleum floors all over the house. Why? Because they are practical, efficient, the easiest of all floors to take care of—and because they offer so many exciting opportunities to



bring color and design into your room.

Look at the floor in this home. It's Armstrong's Jaspé—a type of linoleum that you'll find in the living and dining rooms of thousands of traditional homes. But notice the fresh, new way in which it is used. Modern as tomorrow ... yet friendly as a handshake. There's room here for everything—and plenty of room for living. A cozy library alcove ... a luxurious couch with a built-in radio phonograph ... a dining alcove which seats eight (notice the flattering glow from the built-in lighting fixture in the center of the table). And to form a modern background for everything, a custom-designed floor of Armstrong's Linoleum. The unusual effect was achieved by blending four shades of Jaspé Linoleum—Hunter Green, Malay Brown, Tan, Beige—and interlocking the colors by a simple and inexpensive cutting trick that produces what is called an "icicle edge." Complete list of the furnishings and a sketch of the room plan sent free.

Four colors of jaspé form a unique design that points up the architecture and color scheme of the whole room. It's functional as well as decorative. And that's modern—the kind of modern you'll love to live with!

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To Live with Loveliness

HAZEL PICKETT

OETS and mystics are forever bewailing the loveliness we don't even see around us-and their laments don't register very much, either. But these words from a news item about a hardboiled sergeant pack a practical sermon that sinks in: "This stinking life in the line has done one good thing for me. I've learned to get a kick outa every single minute I'm alivewhile it's happening, too! It's funny the way you learn how good everything is. Just before we moved up last week, we had to sweat out a long wait. Know what I did? For one solid hour I laid there in the grass and looked at a little blue flower. Don't know what kind it was, but it was the prettiest flower Pve ever seen and I guess I enjoyed that hour more than any other I had ever spent in my life."

I know what he meant. I have heard it called awareness or immediacy. Children have it because they live in the immediate present. Poets, mystics, and some artists and writers have it. I believe that most of our boys who have been facing death every day have it.

We here at home need no baptism of danger to open our eyes to loveliness. But we must take time to see. On my way to the ashpit there is a sagging fence covered with huge blue morning glories. If I am not in too great a hurry to empty the ashes, I see them. Sometimes I just stand and drink in their beauty. Our autumn mornings are cool here in the mountains and usually I build a fire in the kitchen range. The handful of piney kindling sends up a puff of fragrant blue smoke that conjures

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Guess who that was!"

"That, ladies, was the Commander's wife-calling me!

"Seems one of our crowd of Navy wives told her I knew a few fine tricks for mending sheets. And now she wants me to tell *her*-at tea!

""I'll bet she always *used* to get a stack of *new* sheets every year. But these days *every* red-white-and-blue gal takes special care of what she has, and doesn't buy *anything* she can do without.

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A Trick For a Three-Cornered Tear

Lady, these *are* wicked! Cheer up. Baste a piece of paper under the rip; have the torn edges ju-ust meet. Mend by hand or by machine, using a running stitch back and forth across the rip. Remove paper.

A Prescription For a Patch

This is Rx for worn-thin spots or cigarette burns! Cut out a circular section around the bad area; make four slits an equal distance apart. Turn edges under. (The hole will be square.) Back with a square patch, and stitch twice around the edges.

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What is she doing? Slicing Dribbling Lobbing

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More women choose KOTEX* than all other napkins put together *T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off. up memories of campfires among the pines. The rich smell of coffee, the golden brown of the toast, and the taste of honey or the tang of chokeberry jelly make each of the mornings a symphony for me.

From my kitchen window I can glimpse the sunsets with their radiant cloud effects over the Rockies, which are about three miles from my house, and sometimes I have to dash out of doors to watch the rose fade into pale, pearly gray. In the garden are peace and beauty. A mountain tanager, with red head and yellow body, flutters down to eat from the little board nailed to a post and his greenish colored mate soon joins him. Before the sunset colors leave the sky, there is a large star shining brilliantly against the backdrop of deep blue. It seems to shine toward the east.

Along one fence I have planted eleven berry bushes-red currants. red raspberry, and boysenberry. In two or three years they will yield their fruit for jam and jelly. The war will be over then and there will be plenty of sugar. My two apple trees and my blue plum tree did their part this year, as proved by the rows of sauces in the cellar. We canned rhubarb from clumps growing at the end of the garden. The dillweed was allowed to push its feathery spears up wherever it pleased-and our dill pickles were crisp and delicious. There was a ferny row of parsley under the apple tree that went to garnish sizzling steaks whenever we were able to find them or had the points.

Week ends were spent in weeding, hoeing, and puttering. Almost my favorite costume consisted of an old pair of canvas gloves and a floppy garden hat from the dime store, and an ancient smock and flat heeled oxfords, quite disreputable. I'm glad I've learned the Spanish proverb, "Poco a poco, se va lejos" or, "little by little we go a long way." I can enjoy the hush of the garden that means winter is at our threshold. I have the chance to mull over plans for next year—

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When that day downs

First thoughts of millions of Americans will turn to home once victory is won. Perhaps even now you are laying away ideas for the home you plan to build, or for making your present home modern in tomorrow's bright new day.

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and for sometime. Someday and piecemeal, I'll get my backyard landscaped, and my house remodeled and the inside decorated. Inside there is plenty to do, I

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had to have curtains for mother's room recently, so I bought ten vards of unbleached muslin-for twenty cents a vard-and three vards of brown and white chintz for a wide, ruffled valance and the tie-backs. The walls are beige and the woodwork dark and the effect of the curtains is lovely beyond expectation. From pieces of old ribbed undergarments, I fashioned a cuddly rag doll with brown yarn hair like Raggedy Ann's, and with blue overall slacks and a giddy flowered shirt. This was for Anne Elizabeth, my new granddaughter. "Boughten" dolls are expensive and not nearly so well beloved as the slightly imperfect ones that are homemade. And then there had to be a wee bathrobe for the grandson, made from a scrap and not Fifth Avenue tailored, but with love in every stitch of the needle.

Years ago, we had a beautiful modern bungalow but we made bad investments and even lost our home. Loved ones passed on. There were years of working all day away from home. I longed then for a little_house, a place that had been lived in and loved, where there were trees. I have been told that the old gentleman who lived in our house before us was loved by all the children in the neighborhood and that the old lady raised the most beautiful flowers which she shared with everyone. I think the vibrations of their happy living are still lingering about the house!

The act of paying attention, the leisurely estimate and savoring of things around us, help us to develop a genius for living. The essence and flavor of things become sharply etched on the consciousness— we find we are living in loveliness: We love living.



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ARTHUR WILLIAM BROWN sketches Brian Donlevy and Ann Richards who so brilliantly portray the roles of "Steve" and "Anna".



JOHN JONES, in his beautiful painting, has caught the spirit of a young girl's faith in the man she loves!

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ARTIE E. APPLETON. In private life Mrs. Arthur G. Stangland, whose husband also writes, the use of her maiden name is a device intended to avert editorial confusion. It works fine-except that Artie is frequently mistaken for a man's name which is rather puzzling in conjunction with obviously first-hand material on such problems as decorating a home to stand up to the wear and tear that their three small children can give it.



• JEAN OWEN stood by with words of encouragement, bolstered with sound professional advice, while Luby Pollack did an enviable paint job, peasant designs, mottoes and all, on her kitchen, which is featured among our paint suggestions. Mrs. Owen designed and painted stage scenery for high school and college productions and was fashion artist and served in various executive capacities for department stores. Now married, decorating kitchens and nurseries heads her list of hobbies-a long one that includes stamp and record collecting, cooking, and fishing, and is a fair gauge of ebullient enthusiasm, plus boundless vitality.



• • • DAN JACOBSEN is one man whose hobbies hold a keen interest for others. His wife, naturally, is delighted with his saw and hammer activity at home-a most sensible diversion from any housewife's point of view! And his friends take a vicarious pleasure in the beautiful illuminated wall texts, made in the



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Occasionally a whimsical person, yearning for the good old days, wistfully dreams of turning back the hands on the clock of history. Failing to understand the founda-

tions of contemporary civilization, he longs for a return of the simple pastoral in which each family was a selflife contained unit.

Let's examine such a fantastic aspiration

If those now on the farms reverted to family agriculture, family processing of and family preparation of livefood stock into edible meat, there would be far too little food produced to keep the

human machine going. Accordingly, modern packers and food processors should be recognized as social instrumentalities which have made possible a vast upsurge in the standards for gracious living and for leisure.

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present day specialization and methods for food processing and distribution, fewer than 11 million workers on the farm are providing for the food require-ments of a population of 135 million persons. In addition we are exporting food commercially, under Lend-Lease and are helping to feed populations in commited countries. occupied countries. Back in 1880, it required almost 8

million workers on the farms to provide food and other agricultural products for a total population of only 50 million. The significance of this difference should be fully appraised.



In 1880, it almost took one person on the farm for every 6 of population.

Now we are providing more and bet-ter food with only 1 worker on the farm for every 12 of population. This improvement in the efficiency of

American agriculture was made pos-sible by the introduction of better agricultural machinery, by the increased use of the tractor as a form of mechani-cal energy, through better understand-ing of seeds and of the conditions of scientific agriculture.

As a sales outlet for important products of agriculture, Armour and Company and other packing houses take pride in this evidence of far-reaching improvements in the methods of raising and preparing food for the dinner table of the typical American family.

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President, Armour and Company Fourth of a series of statements on the American sys-tem of free enterprise which makes possible such institutions for service as Armour and Company.

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Barbecued Armour's Star Ham with Green Beans

Use either shank or butt half of an Armour's Star Ham weighing about 5-6 lbs. Wrap in waxed paper or original ham wrapping and set on rack in open roasting pan, cut side down. Roast in 325° F. oven for 25 minutes to the pound, or to an internal temperature of 150° F. Remove paper and rind and score fat. Brush with Barbecue Sauce (see recipe below) and return to oven to glaze. Add a second coat of Barbecue Sauce after the first 15 minutes of glazing. Serve with extra Barbecue Sauce and buttered green beans with pimiento garnish. If an Armour's Star Bone-in Cooked Ham is used, bake only 10 minutes to the pound to re-heat.

Barbecue Sauce:

2 tbsps. ham fat	3 tbsps. Wo
1 cup sliced onions	Sauce
1/4 tsp. pepper	l cup catsur
3 thsps. brown sugar	1/4 cup vine
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dd remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil.



Armour's Star Ham and Noodle Molds

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Armour's Star Ham and Noocle Moras 1 cup cooked, ground 6 oz. noodles 2 Cloverbloom Eggs 34 cup milk 45 cup milk 45 cup milk 56 cz. noodles in boiling, salted water for 10-12 minutes. Drain. Beat eggs, add milk, ground Armour's Star ham and olives, seasonings and noodles. Pour into 6 oiled custard cups and set in pan of water. Bake in 350° F. oven for 60 minutes or until set. Serve in bed of buttered peas with cheese sauce.

peas with cheese sauce. To make cheese sauce: Melt 1 cup grated Cloverbloom Cheese in 1 cup medium white sauce, season to taste with salt, pepper and Worcestershire sauce.

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style of the ancient Neapolitan monks. Both hobbies grew out of work—the carpentering as the result of a job with a building contractor, taken when "hard times came aknocking" at the door of the engineering firm where he had been settled for 10 years, text illuminating from illustration of textbooks for I.C.S.



• • • EUCENIA BINCHAM furnishes a fascinating follow-up of her story about the garret that was built for a young man whose lively imagination craved its high, unstereotyped ceiling as most befitting an embryo writer. That young man, her son, is now in the air force and flying over Italy while Mrs. Bingham, as her "I-card" picture indicates, is helping to "keep 'em flying" at Lockheed, where she is an engineering draftsman.



• • • EDMUND JACOBSON, A.M., PH.D., M.D., is that anomaly, a scientific writer whose most laborious research and experiments make popular reading! And why not, when they have to do with sound sleep versus that all-time bugaboo, insomnia? Don't miss his article in this month's issue. It is written along the same authoritative but layman-clear lines that have put his books on the best seller lists. Dr. Jacobson is Director of the Laboratory for Clinical Physiology, Chicago, Illinois.



• • FLORENCE THOMPSON HOWE'S infectious laughter might have been inspired by her own amusing description of the playroom furnishings that aren't there—included, by the way, in our perfectly practical suggestion for refurbishing with paint. She grew up in a "steamboat house" on the Mississippi, worked on a Minneapolis newspaper, married a New England engineer and went to live in Springfield, Massachusetts. A bi-weekly column, radio talks, and the Vermont farm leave no gaps, but she manages to make time to write.



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WHILE ON A VISIT TO THE JOHN FRANKS, ARTIST PETER HUNT TOOK A BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY TO SAY "THANK YOU" WITH HIS EXUBERANT PEASANT ART ... HE PAINTED THE FRINGED OVAL RUG AND THE IRREPRESSIBLY GAY PEASANT MOTIFS



THERE'S LIQUID MAGIC IN THE PAINT BUCKET ... It can refurbish furniture or grow a geranium! Best of All, it's Amateur Stuff!

AINT can do as much for a house as for a womanthe clever application can give it a lift not only by bringing out all its good points but by creating the illusion of some that aren't there. Don't let it deter you that you are not a Peter Hunt, who can whisk a handsome living room rug out of a paint pail! Your tour de force may be infinitely simpler but no less pleasing. And you have the sincere assurance of a kindred amateur that "if you can hold a fork, you can paint. I am one of those who never drew a straight line nor painted a recognizable facsimile of a cow. But my friend Jean Owen is an expert and she insists that we amateurs harbor an uncalled-for fear of paint, that with a bit of 'will' and 'git' we can do a creditable job of peasant designing." So says Luby Pollack who backs up her words with the evidence of her own very creditable job, shown on page 18. On the pages between you will find other copyable ideas including one originated by THE AMERICAN HOME for the dining nook which, we suspect, will make your fingers itch for a paint brush. But let's take notes on the lilting use of color in this transformed living room, with RUTH W. LEE telling the story. This room is in the home of John and Louise Frank, Hubbard Woods, Illinois, where their friend, the artist Peter Hunt was visiting, and is filled with Victoriana from their grandparents' home in Natchez. The artist's spontaneous brushwork was a tribute to the Franks' delightful hospitality. He began with the Clavilum, a masterpiece of Mrs. Frank's handicraftan arrangement of three xylophones played like a clavichord-and painted it inside and out with his whimsical peasant motifs. He painted the oval rug in an off-white ground against the black floor, with hearts and flowers in red and green, and a pale green fringe with one tassel realistically out of line, as though it had just been broken off. White shelves lined in vivid red wallpaper contain the Franks' collection of blue milk glass and blue Bristol and the china cabinet, which, together with the Bavarian peasant chair Mr. Hunt added to the Victoriana, shelters angels. It is a room of delightful contrasts-furniture from an era we regard as decidedly stuffy, chirked up with bright paint applied in a most original and lighthearted manner.

Photographs by Maynard L. Parker



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AVING a hearty disrespect for any suggestion that smacks of "spinach for others," we rolled up our sleeves to work out a beauty treatment for one of those thoroughly nondescript breakfast rooms —good but starkly plain furniture, neutral walls, worn floor—a bore of a room and nothing but a dull day could come of breakfast in it! We undertook to change it and are frankly pleased with the zesty style achieved. It is reproduced in color for the cover and here in a view from farther back, with a AMERICAN HOME PATTERN A-704, 20¢ Tracing for the motif, color chart, and detailed directions for painting it. Send stamps,

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close-up of the attractive table design. The top of the table, the familiar trestle type of maple wood, was first painted a double coat of cream, then decorated with the tray of bright fruit and wide brown bands. Only one bench was used, painted to match the table, and placed against the wall with box pillows, suspended by small rings sewn to the covers, as back rests. The handsome plaid wallpaper, ladder-back chairs, ruffletiered curtains in alternating green and yellow and the shadow boxes and ornaments obviously contribute their proportionate share to the attractiveness of the scene. But do take a careful look at the floor, spatter-painted-a most expensive effect for very little money.

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SILHOUETTES, SHUTTERS, HANDSOME TRAY, EVEN BELLOWS, ARE PAINT!





INSTEAD OF FURNITURE!

Now to go from the practical to the frivolous, with FLORENCE THOMPSON HOWE'S description of a playroom with silhouettes painted on the wall, geraniums that bloom steadily with never a trace of leaf-spot, decorative bellows that can't be mislaid. Those are a few of the make-believe furnishings favored by Mrs. Max Katz, of Springfield, Massachusetts, as the solution to the empty spaces in her play-room, and which make it into a spot where dull care hasn't a chance. Rain or snow outside, the window shows a bright summer sky with fleecy clouds. Painted! And the shutters don't shut, either, for they, too, are painted on. So is the tickless clock, in continental black and colors, on the wall adjoining the bar. The steins hanging on the wall and the rail for

Leslie E. Bowman Photographs

NOT A TIMEPIECE BUT A CONVERSATION PIECE BECAUSE IT'S PAINTED ON-AS ARE THE STEINS, THE STAIR RAIL AND GERANIUMS

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the stair carry out this illusion in paint. The bar, to be sure, is real and there is a full complement of chairs for it, including one lettered with the advice to sit tight painted across the seat. The entire playroom job, which was done by May Buckley, cost only \$125. As Mrs. Katz comments, "This nonsense is as practical as a paper of pins and not much more expensive."

You can supplement your painted furniture with real furniture, painted, if you have old things you wish to incorporate in the room. Functional pieces, such as the old upright piano, for example, can be decorated so as to add an amusing touch and so be saved for service. Furnishing a playroom in paint can become constructive amusement, and a lot less expensive than buying the furniture needed to get the same effect. Much more fun, too. In brush-conscious households the whole family can pitch in and produce a provocative room for the family fun where plants do not have to be watered and there's very little upkeep and precious little dusting to do!

FLORENCE THOMPSON HOWE



Paint-shy? Amateurs don't know their own skill says the expert who egged on the amateur painter who is mainly responsible for the professional job, shown at left. Just below it is the "before" picture for extra incentive

> LUBY POLLACK and JEAN OWEN



Before any work was done, the plan was decided upon and the effect was clearly fixed in the imagination



NT IN THE KITCHEN...



COLOR NEED NOT BE A HANDICAP FOR EFFICIENCY!

F IT is the lack of what LUBY POLLACK and her expert adviser, JEAN OWEN, aptly term "paint-pot courage" that is holding you back, this cheerful photograph evidence of what an amateur can do should supply it. The colorful designs and neatly painted woodwork are smoothly professional in finish, but Luby Pollack says: "I can't draw pictures, any more than you can, so I sent away to THE AMERICAN HOME magazine for decorative pattern A-633 shown in a previous issue. Then, armed with tracing paper, a soft pencil and the kind of water colors that are used for show cards, I took the plunge. Be sure, first, that your painted surfaces still have paint. If there are chips or nicks or time-stained spots, it's best to do some rubbing down with sandpaper. I painted all the woodwork white except for the lower cupboards, which I did in bright blue, with thin white lines in the inside panels. With a fresh surface, you are ready for the peasant designs. It's a great help to have a



Photographs by Howard Breitwish

rough plan of the area you intend to paint—no matter if it's rough. I cut up the pattern designs and arranged the sprays on the cupboard door with adhesive tape to get the effect. Then, on tracing paper, I ruled off the exact size of the door and copied the design to fit that exact space.

"There was just one hitch to the copying—no birds in the pattern, and my heart was sent on them. But there were birds on the upper wallpaper, so I partially traced these and added long, swishing tails. After I had transferred my pencilled copyings to all the cupboard doors, I was ready to paint. Stage fright? Of course, but Jean kept saying 'Go on! You can do it!' So I did!"

Another kitchen that's far from humdrum is the boldly striped one which needs no other embellishment than the neatly arranged dishes, visible through the cupboard doors, and the plants in the window. Whatever the style you like, you can achieve it.



WE HAD only a New England town lot, 74' x 133', but here were some of the things we wanted: Cut flowers from spring to fall, to save both trouble and cost of buying them; fresh eggs from our own coop; broilers in season and, in time, a chicken in the pot; a place for wild flowers—like we gather on Sundays in the country; a place to entertain guests during summer's heat and autumn's coolness. . . . Could it be done? Well, we decided to try.

As shown on the plan we made, the driveway space at the front is bordered on the



south by a long peony bed and on the north by smaller beds of iris and hollyhocks. Along the front lawn we planned for annualszinnias and marigolds and asters in alternating years—but here for the present grow staked tomatoes, practical and colorful. North of the house, in heavy shade, was just the location for a wild flower garden; jackin-the-pulpit, trillium, solomonseal, ladyslipper, etc. flourish there. East of this, a strip unshaded but constantly wet was, in good time, drained, flagged, and made the site of. first a coldframe, and then a small, twobench greenhouse. Here, in late summer, flower seeds are started for winter bloom, chrysanthemum cuttings are rooted and potted, potted plants from outdoors are given shelter, and geraniums are propagated. As winter sets in, the color here contrasts with the gray or snowy skies; then, come February, newly received vegetable and flower seeds are started, to yield, later, a supply of strong plants for our 20' x 30' food garden on the vacant lot north of our plot.

ONE MAN GETS OUT OF A 74'x 133' LOT

The next addition was a dual-purpose structure—tool- and workshed in front, chicken house in rear. We figured that twelve laying hens would supply our family of four, so we buy baby chicks in early spring, raise them to broiler size and put them in our quick freeze unit, keeping a dozen selected pullets for winter laying. Next came a pair of rabbits, two hutches, and a third in readiness for offspring which, in time, will find their way to the kitchen canner. At the rear of the yard is the raspberry patch, popular source of jam and midsummer desserts; before long three dwarf fruit trees will occupy carefully chosen places in the layout of the garden.

The lower, or southeastern, quarter of the yard, reached by passing through a gate at the rear of the driveway or by descending a gentle grass slope from the upper level, is bounded for most of its northern length by a low stone retaining wall, and all the way along its southern side by a bed in which roses and irises are supplemented by a variety of annuals started in the greenhouse benches. At the extreme rear of this part of the garden, in the shade of a sugar maple and surrounded by a flagged terrace, is our outdoor fireplace where, sure enough, we can entertain guests with our own roasted corn, sizzling broilers and (we hope, soon) succulent rabbits. Such our excellent dividends from the small amount of money and limited amount of labor invested. We always have plants to share. When the hens are on full production, there are extra eggs. Cut flowers are abundant at all seasons. We look forward to the years on our farm-at-home.





Sick infants stay put . . . school-age invalids have books, games, and cut-outs to while away the hours . . . but how about that most impatient patient, the toddler? With his many interests and short concentration, convalescence is a lively time!



Toddlers are so easily pleased that the simplest touches give tray fare a party look. A graham cracker wrapped in the napkin serves as a "surprise"



Getting dolled up comes under the heading of therapy for a lady convalescent. My, a perky hair ribbon does things for the morale!

HOPE RANSLOW BENNETT

IKE any other clear-thinking convalescent, the toddler on the mend Lexpects getting well to mean getting up. It takes plenty of diversion at regular intervals to ward off the incipient suspicion that the few more days in bed, ordered by the doctor, are not some form of "durance vile." To be quite exact, what it takes is a plan with the day divided up into hours, even minutes. I discovered this the first day of our Nancy's convalescence. I was so elated at the thought she really was going to get well that in one hour flat I had exhausted every kind of food she was permitted, every change of bed and bedroom-there being but three possibilities, the living room included-and both Nancy and I were exhausted. That would never do! So I spent most of that evening putting us on a recovery regime. It worked so well that not only was my impatient patient willing to stay in her crib but the household operated on something resembling its usual routine. I didn't think of rules at the time, but I can see now that the schedule adhered to these general ones: A plan for each day with variations for every day; a definite attempt to capital-

Crayons and a drawing pad may be good for 30 minutes' diversion—and • that is par! Bold crayon scrawls are what most picture pages seem to need

ize on duties as well as pleasures—i.e. dressing to become an art, the bathroom procedure an excursion, bathing a game, every meal a party; a minimum of "spoiling" but where spoiling would save the hour, we'd spoil; playthings brought in one by one with a flourish and whisked away at the end of that particular period so there would be no confusing clutter in the nursery except when clutter was the idea; nights as long as possible—no arising at the crack of dawn to bake a custard or change a diaper; a nap or a rest for all concerned.

Next morning, I didn't rush into Nancy's room at the first creak of her crib. The waking-up sounds denoted content, so I dashed to the kitchen and put the toast and coffee on the table and had a bite and a sip while preparing her tray, a very tempting number with a special blue oilcloth doily, glass of orange juice, cereal, dried toast, milk, and, wrapped inside the napkin, a "surprise"—a graham cracker. Depositing the tray outside the nursery, I made my entrance with the cheery smile for which nurses are famous. A quick change of nighties, a cunning bedjacket, literally an old, washed-out Turkish toweling robe which Nancy loves for its hood, a fresh pillow from Mommie's room, and she was all set to be the glamour girl breakfasting in bed. The following morning I prepared three breakfast trays and we all had a party in her room.



2. It's astonishing how much less ado is made about the horrid medicine when the spoon is profiered by Daddy. Let him take over when at home!

my active-minded patient-and, also, got my own work done.

With the doctor telephoned, supper ordered and luncheon on the way, we took time for a calming story before Nancy had her tray. A dash of paprika for the mashed potato and a crescent of lemon poised atop the rim of the water glass made luncheon chitchat and afterward there was another story to pave the way for nap time for us both. This kept Nancy to her normal routine and put me in form for the rest of the afternoon, which, in general, followed the same pattern as the morning. An invitation to "watch Mommie dress" was accepted with flattering enthusiasm and we had a cozy discussion of girdles, bras and slips, and the color of my dress and jacket. We decided we needed to brush our hair and then Nancy wanted a "pitty dress, too"--a healthy symptom and a very modest reward for taking some horrid stuff out of a bottle. Strange to say, we couldn't find her shoes. I hope I'll not be held to account on judgment day for insisting they were lost. By then, it was almost time to begin watching for Daddy, so over to the window by the street went the crib, and I went about getting supper. The arrival of the fond papa freed me of all responsibilities. Then, after their fine play hour and her supper, our charming Miss Nancy was undressed and tucked away until tomorrow, when the same sort of schedule but a different set of "surprises" made time pass pleasantly for her and quite easily for me.



Being read to is the most engrossing of diversions, especially when the story has been told so many times it is known by heart

Having a strong feeling that fathers are rather special, I didn't try to take all the reproaches and tears for thrusting disagreeable medicine down our small one's throat. I let the man of the house do his share. I laid out the spoon and medicine and left them together. Wonder of wonders! No screams, no tantrums! When I returned to the scene, all was over and Nancy and her father were singing "London Bridge Is Falling Down." By the time he had to leave for the "opfice" there was another surprise-the dining table bell all wrapped in tissue paper. I am not sure that I like this pacifier, but to its tune the dishes were cleaned up and the kitchen swept. After that, a sponge bath, with the novelty of being bathed in one's crib, and a very special, dress-up pair of pajamas, with a ribbon for those curly locks. "Pitty! Nancy's Pitty," was the approving comment. Then, with an appropriate flurry of excitement over the drawing book and crayons that were intended to occupy another convalescent half-hour, I went back to the housework. The next surprise, due at the end of the 30 minutes, was a glass of pineapple juice, already cooling in the refrigerator, and, after that, a wooden inlay puzzle, very simple, which was to last a similar period-just about long enough to get the living room slicked up! By having some small diversion to offer at 30-minute intervals, I forestalled boredom and restlessness on the part of

6. A cheerful nurse makes a cheerful patient and for that reason alone a nap is important to both. And "surprises" must go on



Photographs by F. M. Demarest

COLLECTOR meets such interesting people! In his quest for these beautifully patterned Early American pressed glass goblets, David Moreton came across a long-lost relative. Credibly enough, the relative, who was living in the house that had been built by Ohio's first governor, turned out to be a collector of antiques with many similar interests. The quick camaraderie that springs from a common interest is, Mr. Moreton thinks, one of the most satisfying things about such a hobby. He only began the collection four years ago. At that time, Mrs. Moreton had charge of rounding up the glass exhibits for the Antique Show held annually at the Woman's Club in Wilmette, Illinois, where they live. At first both the Moretons were intrigued by various pieces of pressed glass-sugar bowls, creamers, and goblets-but it wasn't long before Mr. Moreton centered his interest in the goblets and began buying and studying all available books on the subject in order to identify and catalogue every piece he acquired. He found that between 1845 and 1895, almost two thousand different patterns were made by the American glass factories. In his brief collecting career, Mr. Moreton has come upon more than two hundred examples of the pattern glass, and amazingly enough, no two of which are alike.

Pre-Pearl Harbor trips to towns in Illinois and the neighboring states of Ohio, Indiana, and Wisconsin combined the pleasure of driving about the countryside with the insidious excitement of prospecting-for pressed glass. In Ripley, Ohio, he found the goblet in the deer and pine tree pattern and four huge goblets in clear glass which had been used as beer and ale schooners on the passenger boats plying the Ohio River in the gay eighties and nineties. Another memorable trip was through Indiana, via the National Highway. Almost every family and type of Early American pressed glass is now represented in his collection. There are many Grape patterns and a separate Fruit group, Thumbnail prints of all kinds, Hobnail and Swirl types, Ribbon and Ribbed goblets, Leaf patterns, both stippled and frosted; and a number of varieties of the Colonial patterns. The Moretons enjoy using their collection for entertaining and derive quiet amusement from waiting to see how long it takes their guests to discover that there are twelve different goblets in fine old glass on the table. This alone would provide the conversational spark for an entire evening, for everyone has a bit of the collector in him and we all love to trade stories!

WHAT'S IN A

David Moreton found the excitement as well as real camaraderie in



In four years of collecting, over 200 patterns in Early American pressed goblets—no two alike! More than 50 different patterns are in this group



Fleur de Lis

Liberty Bell

Girl and Fan



of exploring, the thrill of discovery, collecting goblets

Four individual designs in the Thumbprint pattern





Baby Thumborint

Barrel Thumbprint

> Pointed Thumbprint





Large Clear Glass Goblets



otographs by Nowell Ward Sketches by J. Lewick



Discovers Long-lost Relative . . . On a collector's

jaunt through Ohio, Mr. Moreton found a long-lost relative, also an antique fancier. It's this element of surprise that makes the pursuit of such a hobby a keenly exciting pastime

Ohio River Boals

Huge, clear glass goblets, another Ohio find, saw glamorous service on the old-time passenger boats which operated on the river during the flamboyant eighties and nineties

> Grape with Patterned Base

Reavy Paneled Grape

> Magnet and Grape, Stippled Leaf

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Magnet and Grape . Clear Leaf

Larger Baby Thumbprint

Grape with Thumbprint Band

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Two gardens demonstrate the successful planned use

of space for special objectives

SCREENED PORCH

BIRD

RASS PANEL

Garden of Mrs. T. A. Kearney, Winnetka, Illinois

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GARDEN

DRYING YARD

MOTOR

DRIVEWAY

HOME GARDENER LESSON 8 Planting Plans and Purposes... Part 2

S POINTED out in Part I of this discussion, in October, the first step in developing a garden plan is an analysis of the garden's purposes or objectives. Next comes the drafting of a plan or "map," on which, if the project is starting from scratch, the first task is locating and orienting the house and other buildings with relation to (a) the natural features of the property, (b) the purposes decided on, and (c) the walks, drives and other approaches from the highway. However, if those details are already settled, the next decision is as to what elements are needed or desired in the design, such as lawn areas, flower beds and borders, boundary plantings, special plant effects, paths, etc. These are located on the plan in what are found or judged to be their best locations and relations, after which one's imagination and knowledge of plant materials are drawn upon to develop a series of pictures, or what architects call "elevations." These, whether actually drawn or merely mental images, are simply vertical projections of what is indicated on the ground plan, intended to show what the various features will look like seen from within and

without the house and the garden. In other words, these elevations visualize the plants and trees when grown to their normal stature.

The elements of any home garden are usually grouped under such main heads as (a) the public area, along the highway; (b) the service area, including drive, clothes yard, etc., and (c) the private or garden area which may be designed for living, for hobby enjoyment, or just to be looked at. A further breakdown of these areas may introduce a transition area between house and garden, stretches of shrub-bordered lawn, flower borders, a cutting garden, space for vegetables and fruits and architectural details such as pergolas, benches, pools, etc.

Thus far the development of the plan seems to have been based largely on practical or utilitarian considerations. Yet, in handling such a project, the professional designer keeps constantly in mind certain principles and aims of art and composition; and the amateur should try to do the same. These principles deal with such things as "distribution of mass" in the various pictures; light and shade relations; the skyline or silhouette of the dominant plant

E. L. D. SEYMOUR

The garden below was designed (and made in three years by Forrest D. Siefkin, its owner) to provide various "rooms," with privacy and contrast between formal and informal. The views, numbered also on plan, show (1) rose-bordered terrace, (2) formal garden from porch, (3) entrance

forms; simplicity; scale and scale relationship; balance, and the focalization of interest. In all these matters, the characteristics of the plant materials available and suitable are of major importance—size (when mature), form, growth habit, texture and color of foliage, color of flowers or fruit or both, seasonal change, and the like. This is one of the powerful arguments in favor of securing expert, professional advice in the making of even a simple garden plan.

Of course, the making of the plan is only a part of the whole task of developing a home setting. But it is a very necessary part. And the fact that a plan is made in advance, on paper, does not, as many think, imply stiff formality in the result. Indeed, careful planning is, if anything, even more essential in the laying out of a "naturalistic" garden than in the designing of a "formal" or geometrical area. For many, a perspective sketch is much easier to understand than a flat, floor plan; but the latter is far easier to make, whether drawn or worked out with scaled cutouts of the different features of the design. So, before planting, plan; and before planning, chart your course and objectives.



×2 Marking Gage

Two 2×4's of Suitable Length

Fig. 1

Lay out and notch two rails to fit steps, varying notches to fit any unevenness. The pit length given here (23") is approximate; check it or, better, work from a plan made to scale of your own cellar stairs

23" Cellar Fl 201/2" Wide

Notch in Center 4"Long to Clear Rope if Necessary.

Fig. 2

The rails are fastened to cross ties and these to stair risers with lag screws. But before they are finally set, lock notches must be cut as shown at N, in Fig. 4



Pig. 3

Carriage details. Castor height (E) equals F; this plus 19" gives pit length from rail top (G, Fig. 2) Add H for length to stair

Fig. 4.

Mark a line on rails M distance (Fig. 3) from top step. on it, at a point castor radius plus 12" from top of rail, bore holes same size as castors; cut out to form hump N. Members A, B, C and D of carriage are fir 2x4's



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Fig. 5 Fasten two-wheel, 2" pulleys to top crosspiece and D of carriage, then thread rope as shown. It must be 5 times greatest length between pulleys plus 6'. Onewheel pulleys need but 3/5 the rope, but greater effort



An idea may be the by-product of a brainstorm, the child of necessity, or sired by laziness. This is a mongrel-all utility

> Carriage lifted off tracks to show construction; at right, in locked position

Top of hoist. Note lock notches in rails, pulley, mortised carriage corners F the winter's furnace ashes are your problem; if the weekly wrestling of barrels up the cellar stairs

THAT WORKS!

palls; if your strength and patience are near the breaking point, you will appreciate this simple device and want one in your cellar. You will need for it only: several 12' 2x4's for the rails (tracks) and carriage frame; flooring or sheathing for top and back of carriage; four bed castors of 1" or more diameter; 3%" rope (See Fig. 5 for amount) and two pulleys to fit it; spikes, nails, and lag screws. The one-can capacity carriage with the castors mounted beneath to suit the pitch of the stairs, is hauled by means of the rope and pulleys up the rails which have notches near the top to provide a locking device. This enables you to drop the rope and use both hands to roll the can onto the path. Then a vertical lift of the rope disengages the castors from the notches and lets the carriage run down for another load. At its lowest point, the carriage fits into a pit dug deep enough into the cellar floor so that the platform rests firmly and flush with the surface.

When hoist is not in use, platform becomes part of the cellar floor





Details, photographs, drawings by DAN JACOBSEN

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There's a long path ahead ...

FIRST TRIP to the shoe store-first real shoes!

Which way to the future will those small feet point—toward business, or the law, or medicine—or maybe to a career completely undreamed of in this year one thousand, nine hundred and forty-four! Whatever way—it will certainly be with a firm sure step if Dad has anything to say about it.

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E stood before a gaping warehouse entrance whose wide, portal was commodious enough for a Mack truck. With bewilderment we again consulted the written address. Yes, Mrs. Elinore Herrick lived here the elevator man assured us as we lunged upward in a noisy freight contraption and were directed through a maze of grim, tin-lined walls to the correct apartment. We were prepared for some sort of exotic thrust into a bohemia, but not for the completely airy surprise of an old-world room, mellow with charm and dignity.

Broad sun stripes patterned the carpet from triple-high windows. There was the polished gleam of fine dark furniture, paneled columns of colorful books and an expanse of tawny gray walls which someone described as the color of a "misty, invisible elephant"-this fascinating abode redeemed from a factory loft which not so long ago hummed with power machines and buzzed with garment workers. The great living room perched so crazily over the tops





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of pluming, green plane trees (that Brooklyn species of tree)—the irongrilled balcony, curved like a ship's bridge spanning an open-air courtyard opened up to a wide, broad, high sky, resembled nothing so much as a ship's prow jutting out to sea. The surrounding terra cotta facades, lacy as gingerbread fretting with their myriads of fire-escapes, were a colorful and effective decor which seemed to be skillfully incorporated as a stilllife decor into the serene gray room with its charming yellow chintzes.

Two large rooms fulfill the require-

In her important executive position in which it is her responsibility to act as an arbitrator of strikes and keep a deadline schedule on ship building, Elinore Herrick operates on this simple principle, learned from a New England mother—"Learn to 'tend' to your own knitting."

The home-entertaining life of Elinore Herrick is far removed from that usually expected of or usually created by professional people. A heterogeneous and wholly interesting lot of people are mixed together on the salad plan—just a blending of



ments for an adequate entertaining area. All is geared to informal living. A cupboard kitchen, compact as a ship's galley, is bright as the jacket of a mystery novel with its tiers of gaily labeled home-canned recipes. Homemaking and home-keeping are

a fetish with Mrs. Herrick, one of America's most vital and important women executives.

"However one is forced to roam," said Elinore Herrick, "one can always have a home." With admiration she cited out service wives who've painted rugs on grim barrack floors that never had a rug, padded orange crates into dressing tables and cozy baby cribs.

While the photographers set up their equipment, I asked Mrs. Herrick, who has complete jurisdiction over 135,000 men and women, what she most admired in the new American woman. Quickly she replied: "Her adaptability and readiness to tackle any job or problem, in or out of the home."

Just twenty-three years ago, Mrs. Elinore Herrick entered the mill as a factory girl, carving out in remarkable time one of the most amazing women's careers in history. Strictly on her own, she managed to support, raise, and finely educate two sons, Lt. Snowden T. Herrick of the 13th Air Force, in Italy, and Sgt. Terry Herrick of the Air Force in England. With eyes as gay as a rippling brook, Elinore Herrick will tell you that she has worked as hard as ten people, but has tripled it all in fun. Rooms that perfectly fulfill the requirements of the owner always are good rooms, says Mrs. Herrick. The painting in her bedroom is an American primitive which hung in her grandmother's kitchen

good ingredients. Her guests will run the whole gamut—from newspapermen, women editors, statesmen, artists, professors, technicians to factory women—you'll find a factory forewoman talking with novelist Fannie Hurst, or it's likely Greer Garson may be spellbound with the experiences of a woman's prison warden. Not an eye would be batted, even if Frank Sinatra slipped in, sat on the floor, and ate his supper. The busy homemaking executive thinks nothing of whipping up a buffet supper for from thirty to fifty people.

There's a long-dreamed-for surprise awaiting "the boys" when they come home, a first real home in the country. The precious spare moments out of Mrs. Herrick's busy life are spent skittling around to junk shops. Perhaps when "the boys" come home, we'll take you out to the old house to let you see how it's been fixed up.

"We should be so aware of what life has taught us today," said Mrs. Herrick, as we awaited while that freight contraption lumbered up— "that as women, we are no longer content in gazing at one another, but in looking outward together in the same direction." Let's remember that.

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Two "different" window treatments. In the shutter effect at left the print is tacked on to a hinged wooden frame. Blue-green and corn yellow are used for the draperies at right. Interest is obtained by the ruffled trimming, which is applied in an unusual manner. Suggestions by Polly Cramer, executed by the Shillito Home Decorating Shop

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Sketches by Hope Hendler Photographs: F. M. Demarest and Frank Willming



Black and white taffeta trimmed with black fringe and a narrow orange piping make this quaint checked three-piece ensemble for the bedroom. Pattern A-700, 40c

Fine tucking and a fascinating use of rickrack, laced with a ribbon in a contrasting color—very partydressy and feminine. A-699, 40c Simple elegance aptly describes this blue taffeta trio with its white tassel fringe and effective detail of trimming. Not a combination to pall, ever! Pattern A-702, 40c

Another gala inspiration from a beautiful old print. Ivory brocaded satin, blue trimming and bows and very lovely. Pattern A-701, 40c E think you will agree that, "decoratively speaking," bedrooms are the rooms usually slighted in any house. On the average, a woman is inclined to expend considerable thought and most of her budget on the decoration of the main living rooms of the house. The bedrooms have to skimp along on whatever may be left of enthusiasm and money. We place enthusiasm first because, so often, there is enough money but the enthusiasm for decorating is all gone. For that reason we proffer these suggestions as enticements primarily, and as patterns, perhaps. A final, fond glance leads us to believe they possess the eye-opening potential of the latest hats.



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On the two preceding pages we show, in color, bedroom ensembles we have worked out in our own studio. Most of them were inspired by rare, old-fashion prints of long ago, when every precious detail of a dress was handmade and nothing was too intricate or tedious if the result was a creation. Many women still feel that pride in handwork, and for those with neither the inclination nor the time, there is the sewing machine with its artisan-clever attachments for hemming, tucking, rufflingeverything to make sewing simple and rapid. We not only worked out these bedroom ensembles; we had patterns made of them, too. These include tissue pattern pieces, a cutting guide, sewing directions, and full instructions for making the valances, dressing table skirts and bedspreads, so that they may be easily followed and fashioned by either hand or machine method. Here are fresh ideas for every age and every taste whether it be simple and tailored or feminine and fussy. The fabrics we selected were inexpensive and purchased from the dress goods counter, due to the wartime shortage of decorating fabrics and trimmings.

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S OMETHING old, something new—the old singsong phrase, usually accompanied by strains of Lohengrin, is just as apt when describing good modern design. Nothing lasting has ever been evolved which disregarded completely the good that went before. To overlook the advantages which our present age has to offer would be just as foolhardy. We feel that Architect Willis N. Mills, in designing his own home, has most cleverly combined the old with the new. Its lines are uniquely those of early New England; its use of material and planning are definitely contemporary. Instead of resorting to the tiny traditional windows, Mr. Mills logically opened up the walls to catch every square inch of the surrounding rolling hills. Partially covered





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Modern ideas of heat and light changed the tiny fireplace and huge chandelier

> Unnecessary doors were closed up to make wall space for such attractive furniture groups as photographed here in the music room, formerly a "back parlor"

I could even be the house down at the corner of your block wherever you live. Our penchant for the rococo in architecture put its impress on every neighborhood 50 to 100 years ago. The well-to-do, in particular, indulged in the building of these white or gray clapboard houses with their prim side entrance porches, green shuttered eyebrow windows, woodwork trim, fancy as tatting around the sloping roofs-and the pipes in the back parlor matter-of-factly exposed! As solid as the citizens who built them, they stand as landmarks, somehow, in spite of weatherbeaten shabbiness, suggesting a Victorian disdain for change. And yet, as the Frank McCullochs have demonstrated, this old residential style is surprisingly adaptable to our modern demands. They happen to like Victorian furniture and bought the house because they wanted to do it over. The pictures tell the story of the transformation. The attractive, comfortable living room has ceiling-to-floor bookcases where a diagonal door into the entrance hall used to be You can see what happened to the poky little fireplace and to the cumbersome chandelier with its dim-out bowl for a shade. At the right, the doorway into the music room was knocked out and the arch raised to the ceiling to give the feeling of one large room rather than that of two small parlors. Wall space was gained in the music room by the simple pro-

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cedure of closing up unnecessary doors into the guest study and the porch. The door to the hall was removed and the opening cut to picture molding to make the room seem larger. Of course, those exposed pipes were walled up! The two rooms were treated as one, with the walls painted a blue-green and the floors covered with a rose-beige carpet-White madras curtains were used in both rooms.



This is Bill's room, equipped with plenty of shelves for his toys, and decorated to a gentleman's taste in lively shades of red and blue with white woodwork



In the guest-study, this wall is painted terra cotta to match the convenient, space saving built-in units flanking the studio bed. The other walls are papered



The theme here might be "how to keep a maid," for every thought has been given to comfort and charm to make the maid's room as attractive as any other



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Floor plans show the section of the house which was remodelled

rose and beige wing chair. English hunting prints and an old barometer make an interesting and attractive wall treatment. In the bay window is a curved sofa covered with red corduroy, with red and yellow corduroy pillows, and, flanking the sofa, a pair of Trafalgar side chairs with red, green and yellow striped seats. The coffee table and tea set have been in the family for generations. Mrs. Mc-Culloch made the needle-point seats of the Victorian side chairs and decorated the wall behind the piano with framed manuscript music.

Next to the "back parlor" is a small room which the McCullochs have turned into a guest-study. It is furnished with a kneehole desk, studio bed, and comfortable chairs. Three walls are papered in a small patterned brown chintz wallpaper, the fourth decorated with photographs taken in the course of the family's various travels in America.

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For the dining room they chose a splashy rose chrysanthemum wallpaper. Here are Statton maple ladder back, rush bottom chairs and a 200-year-old dropleaf mahogany table with the base of an old maple Welsh dresser. A cleverly designed frame for the radiator provides space for Mrs. Mc-Culloch's fine collection of green Staffordshire. White organdy ruffled tie-backs give a provincial accent to the room. One of the most changed rooms is the kitchen with its modern, built-in white steel cabinets and bright Pennsylvania Dutch details. The floor is covered in blue linoleum, walls are painted white with a ceiling wallpaper border of red birds and blue tulips. A decorative set of shelves displays an old butter mold, copper kettle, coffee grinder, and old family teacups. The maid's cosy room at the

back has been given maximum charm, color and comfort by thoughtful decorating. The walls are papered in blue and yellow plaid wallpaper and a red provincial small-patterned chintz is used for slip-covering the studio bed and valances above white organdy curtains. A Statton maple desk and chair, maple chest and radio provide the essential comforts.

Upstairs, the guest room was decorated in a light mood, with an all over yellow, blue and rose bouquet wallpaper for walls and ceiling, offset by a yellow rug. The beds and night stands are dark yellow maple with white candlewick spreads. Godey prints and an angel collection add to the gaiety. The wallpaper for the master bedroom is in a yellow and white striped pattern with a green ribbon ceiling border that echoes the green and white checked gingham used for the bed dust ruffles. The corner whatnot with Victorian bibelots came from Mr. McCulloch's mother's home. An ivy-sprigged teapot with white p'que shade makes an amusing lamp. A pair of old Victorian chests and rockers and a rug in pale green needlepoint with matching fringe complete the room. The third, tiny bedroom is Bill's and decorated to suit his bubbling twenty-two months' old personality.







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STRANGER ways of planning a house may have been found but, at the time, beginning with the garret did seem to me a complete reversal of logical designing. It was Junior's idea from the start, and what a campaign he waged for his pet idea! No amount of argument could make him change his teen-age mind. Over and over again the family was exposed to the crystal clear reasonings of his crusade. To his way of thinking a house without a good usable garret was no house at all. Up there a fellow's imagination would have plenty of room to romp around—how many struggling artists have given birth to world shaking creations in just such an atmosphere. We were informed in no uncertain terms that flat ceilings were definitely a handicap. Why, just look at his present room—that untidy cubicle which we always skipped when leading visitors through the house—could Jack London ever have written "The Call of the Wild" in such a dump? After many exposures to this type of reasoning, we were entirely disarmed. Why struggle further?



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The garret became an all important part of our house plan. In fact, it became the focal point around which other rooms played their necessary, secondary rôles.

The above remarks have been made without one ounce of regret. We're all very proud of our exposed garret-each and everyone of the family enjoys its advantages just as thoroughly as Junior. Having an architect for a husband is certainly an asset when evolving a house that is "different." Father



and son could well see eye to eye as fellow artists. If we were to nurture a budding writer in the household-well, we'd see that he had plenty of room in which to do his budding. There was plenty of waste space above the kitchen and lower bath. Here was ideal space to include a projecting balcony with a stair for direct approach. By eliminating the upper wall on that side of the living room, the garret became an integral part of that room. Knotty pine walls made it quite reminiscent of a sprawling mountain lodge. Ponderosa pine was selected for two very good reasons. First, it was easy to in-





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After living in the house for some time, we began to realize the wisdom of our son's arguments. Every creative worker hankers after an environment 'round which his imagination can run riot. Roomy, broken surfaces, whether walls or ceiling, send one's thoughts a-rambling, tend to relax tired nerves and muscles and undo the harmful after effects of long sustained concentration. Such surroundings pay dividends for the sincere artist in much the same way that a good business location is always a successful investment.

The dinette ceiling is our garret's floor. A chrome rail protects the catwalks leading to Junior's "goldfish bowl" as he frequently calls his three walled room. Vjointed, random width heavy insulation board lines the sloping ceiling. Four corner windows open out invitingly under the branches of a towering black walnut tree. We ask you, could Jack London ask for anything more inspiring?

Part of the high living room ceiling also follows the up-swing roof line. Here the insulation board has been used between the rafters for acoustical reasons too. Shelves surprise you from under balcony floors and above windows. Bookcases pop out of walls in places bookcases never grew before. Some climb straight up vertical sides of doorways, then wander across the top of flat arches 'till stopped by walls. Others are tucked away in walls flanking the windows. Truly there's no limit to the structural surprises of our home. A tight little circular stair, starting beside the fireplace, subtracts but eighteen square feet from the living room floor area. Ten transparent plastic rods of varying lengths have been utilized to hold up its strange rail. These rods are an inch and one-eighth in diameter while the polished metal newel post is two and one-half inches across. All eleven "posts" are fitted into a curving heading with a flat top accommodating graceful ivy tendrils. To eliminate tripping, tread nosings have been omitted.

Perhaps I've given the impression that our home is just a garret with an attached living room. The house itself is on a fifty by one hundred and fifty foot lot midway between Hollywood and Los Angeles in California. By stringing our rooms along the



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Try these Time - Savers, too ! Keep a supply of crisp radishes, carrots and celery hearts in your refrigerator's vegetable compartment ready for an attractive relish plate. If you use cranberry jelly chill thoroughly in your refrigerator before opening can. Save tidbits of meat from turkey bones. Use for gravies or chop fine, add relish for sandwich spread. Many folks like cold turkey, too. So wrap your leftover bird care-

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fully in waxed paper and place in food compartment of your refrigerator for other nourishing and tasty treats!

A Recipe for Holiday Cookies

1 cup shortening 1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup white sugar 2 tablespoons orange juice

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1 tablespoon orange rind (grated) 2¾ cups sifted all-purpose flour 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon soda 1/2 cup pecan nut meats (broken)

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Cream shortening and add sugars gradually, while beating constantly. Add egg, well beaten, orange juice and orange rind. Sift flour, soda, and salt together and add with the broken nut meats. Form into rolls, wrap in waxed paper. Store in refrigerator until ready to use. Slice thin, place on greased cookie sheets. Bake at 375° F. for 12 to 15 minutes. (Makes about 3 dozen small cookies). These cookies may be decorted with Christmas candies before baking or iced and decorated after baking, as you like, or use your favorite cookie recipe and cut dough into shapes as shown.



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Where Junior's garret begins and the living room ends would be difficult to decide in this "Imagination Run Riot" house



north lot line from east to west, each and everyone of them receives maximum sunlight and cross ventilation. Beginning at the east end of the lot, we come to an eightby-ten kitchen on the north side. At the same end but facing south is our living room, fifteen by eighteen, not large but plenty practical for our household. This overlooks a most attractive patio. Still working eastward, the architect placed a bedroom with its projecting outdoor balcony above the double garage. West of the garage, he planned a storage room and machine shop. Under the living room, a spacious basement has become a jolly recreation room.

Living room and kitchen are connected by a diminutive but splashingly gay dinette. My household office is eight steps up from the living room. The same landing leads to the main bedroom. Being separated by this small amount from the rest of the house gives me just the kind of quiet and privacy I desire when going over the household accounts.



"Young man-you have it!" said the Wizard of Menlo Park

I^T IS A warm August evening in 1896. Around a banquet table on Long Island sit Thomas A. Edison and the country's leading men of the electrical industry.

The talk swings to politics, to Bryan and McKinley and the Cuban situation—then back again to business. There is high discussion about storage batteries to drive America's "horseless carriages". Someone points to young Henry Ford, Chief Engineer of the Detroit Edison Company, and says: "There's a man who has built a gas car!"

At once, Edison eagerly begins to ask questions—and to listen. "How do you explode the gas in the cylinder? Do you do it by contact or a spark?"

On the back of a menu, Henry Ford sketches the details of his engine. Edison thumps the table so hard the glassware tinkles.

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3. PIQUANTE SALAD DRESSING

1 cup Mazola 1/4 teaspoon white pepper 6 tablespoons vinegar 2 teaspoons paprika 1 teaspoon salt 2 tablespoons pimiento 1 hard-boiled egg, chopped

Combine Mazola, vinegar, salt, pepper and paprika and beat with a rotary beater. Add pimiento and chopped egg. Makes 1½ cups dressing. Use with tossed green salad and tomato aspic stars. For the stars make your favorite recipe for tomato aspic and either mold in stars or chill in a pan and cut in cubes.

2. CAULIFLOWER WITH MAZOLA CRUMBS

Cook potatoes, mash thoroughly, until no 3 tables poons Mazola ½ cup cracker crumbs lumps remain. Beat vigorously and add 1 medium cooked cauliflower

> Heat Mazola in frying pan. Add crumbs and brown lightly, stirring frequently. Sprinkle over cooked cauliflower. Makes 6 servings.

4. CRANBERRY AND ORANGE PIE

41/2 cups fresh

cranberries

Grated rind of

2 tables poons butter

1 orange

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$1\frac{1}{4}$ cups sugar	
3 tables poons flour	
1/4 teaspoon salt	
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orange juice or margarine 2 egg whites

Combine 1 cup of the sugar, flour, and salt; stir in Karo and orange juice, and

heat until blended. Wash cranberries and remove stems. Add to first mixture, and continue cooking until skins pop open. Add orange rind and butter; cool, but do not stir.

S Pastry:

* Meat goes here!

1 cup sifted flour ¹⁄₄ teaspoon salt V4 cup Mazola 3 tables poons cold water (about)

Sift together flour and salt. Mix in Mazola lightly with a fork or pastry blender. Add, water and blend. (The dough should be soft). Roll out immediately on floured board. Fit into a 9-inch pie plate and flute edge. Pour the cranberry mixture into pie shell. Bake in a hot oven (425 degrees F.) 25 mins. Beat egg whites until moist peaks are formed. Gradually beat in remaining sugar, one tablespoon at a time. Make a border around edge of pie by dropping meringue from tip of a tablespoon. Bake in a moderately slow oven (325 degrees F.) until light brown, about 10 mins. Makes 6 servings. © Corn Products Sales Co.

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HINY black woodwork in the bathroom, a rich chocolate color in the kitchen, and nice, clear passages through halls and rooms for non-stop kiddie car expresses. . . . Those are the things we especially like about our new home. That last, in fact, is the reason we took it. But when I laughingly pointed out the traffic advantage in roominess to a friend paying her first visit since we have moved in, she looked at me somewhat in horror and began talking about friends who keep their children in a nursery, where they play quite happily, so the rest of their house is always in perfect order. I didn't say anything at the time, but I have been wondering if we have not lost our sense of values somewhere through the years and if many of our youth problems may not stem from the modern practice of trying to relegate our children to one small niche in our lives. We give them a room of their own, a schedule of their own, a social life of their own, but no real part in family or community life. Of course, that probably does assure more comfort to the grown-ups. But, more important than that is the cost to the child.

As soon as we discovered that a third baby was on the way—before the first one was even three years old!—we took a careful inventory of our resources and decided on the kind of life we wanted to live. We definitely wanted it to be a life with our children. Our finances didn't run to a beautiful new house and lots of space, too, so we settled for space. We are convinced that crowded living, no matter how conveniently it is arranged, makes for ragged nerves and uncertain dispositions. We found an inexpensive old house with seven good-sized rooms. It wasn't exactly what we wanted but we knew we could make it do until we could have something better. We refinished the entire place in bright, clear colors which seem to show the wear and tear much less than neutral ones. Perhaps the cheerful hues distract attention from the defects which are there, of course!

Having in mind three industrious toddlers who would leave fingerprints everywhere, we painted the bathroom woodwork that unheardof black, very shiny, and with pale peach walls, the effect is much better than you might think. And with a sigh for heavenly white kitchens, we did ours in rich, chocolate brown, with sunny yellow walls. Decals and handpainted designs add a further touch of lighthearted informality which matches our style of living. Some day I shall have a gleaming white kitchen but in the meantime a two- and a three-year-old can spend many unreprimanded hours "cooking" in the kitchen sink and there will be no little finger marks to ruffle Mother's temper.

Throughout the rest of the house, where living is not quite so wearing, the woodwork was done in snowy white. This can be wiped easily and often with a good commercial cleanser. Floors were our next problem and I held out for bare ones with a few scatter rugs. Ten or fifteen minutes daily with a broom and dust mop and one thorough cleaning a week suffice to keep them neat. If you imagine you couldn't abide painted floors, more than likely it's because you object to the mousy gray and tan paints generally used for floors. Deck paint comes in a wide variety of lovely colors and wears even better than ordinary floor paint. Or, you might have your dealer mix the



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as soon as George can get leave. Sctting up their home will have to wait, of course. But meanwhile, smart Sue is scouting for ideas. She's clipping pictures of all sorts of nice things she'd like to get later, and putting them lovingly away in a desk drawer. (She calls that drawer her "hope chest"!) See what she's clipped in Seth Thomas clocks for after the war....

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3. Wouldn't this clock by Seth Thomas be just the thing for George's desk? Yes, Sue decided. It's such a cheerful, mannish clock — and George has always liked things nautical.



J. Even if Sue could set up housekeeping right now, she couldn't buy Seth Thomas clocks, of course. But she can buy War Bonds—so she can help George furnish their home after the war. Smart Sue!

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painted the nursery floor a soft clear blue around a blue and pink linoleum rug and in another bedroom used black paint to border a deep rose linoleum. The master bedroom, living and dining room floors would have responded beautifully to some unusual shade of paint to fit in with the color schemes, but we decided, in spite of the soft wood, to sand and var-



nish these for very easy cleaning. At first, the stairway seemed impossible. Goodbye to any dream of a gracious curved stairway! This one was uncompromisingly dark and steep—until we painted the treads a tile red, matching the hall floor, and the hand-rail and risers the same light blue we used with such cheerful results in the living room cupboards and bookcases. And on the risers, interspersed with peasant decals, we lettered in white script the old sampler verse: "Come in the evening,

Come in the morning;

Come when you're looked for, Come without warning."

The stairway I cried over has

been transformed into a conversation feature and it carries a warm note of welcome for our guests. As for the children, of course they adore it! And as for the cleaning, that is so easy as to be a delight.

The full draperies to pull across four sets of large windows in the living and dining rooms are made

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Next to "cooking" in the kitchen sink, there is nothing like a game of hide-and-seek in draperies that were made to take it!

in blue and white seersucker, are easily tubbed—their real beauty is that they need no ironing!

No doubt my housekeeping leaves much to be desired, but with three babies to be kept healthy and happy, some of the other frills have to be eliminated. We feel that with careful planning we have been able to reduce the work to a minimum and still have succeeded in creating an attractive and cheerful home. Neither the expected nor the unexpected guest can send Mother into a panic and it's a home where small children play happily, knowing full well that it is theirs just as much as it is Daddy's and Mother's.



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bottom of one-half the frame. Now, pin material on to half of shade, first one side, then the other, alternating sides and stretching the cloth tight to gradually eliminate the bubbles from it. Here is the step-by-step procedure: Pin and stretch material tight on extreme sides of shade; pin and stretch material halfway down on both sides of shade; pin and stretch to lowest corner on both sides; ease on lower center front; pin out top and bottom and sides. At this stage, your material should be tightly stretched on one side of the shade. With the scissors clip the sides of the material, horizontally, up to about one-half inch from the side pinning. This eases the span. You are now ready to sew the material to the frame. Double your thread and use the overhand stitch. As you sew, pull material tight with the left hand and remove the



pins as you progress. When you have finished sewing the material to the frame, turn back the excess and lightly pin it to shade. Pin and sew the second half of the lining in the same manner, and duplicate the steps for sewing the outer covering into place. Be careful to stretch material taut. Neatly trim off side material of both lining and covering. On top and bottom, however, trim the outer cover only leave an excess of the lining, which





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is then turned back, whipped into place, and trimmed. Sew braid or ruching around the top and down the two side wires, or use trimming of self material cut into strips, folded to about one-half inch in width, with raw edges turned under and pressed flat.



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The advantages of establishing good postural habits and a liking for exercise early in life cannot be overestimated. Many middle-aged adults are paying a sad penalty today for their previous neglect. Faulty posture in children is apt to be the result of muscular, weakness brought on by growing very fast in a short period of time or by illness. When a child gets up after a week or more in bed he may droop to a marked degree. With returning strength most children will resume their normal good carriage-but some do not. The new bad posture remains a habit after its cause has been removed. It may, in fact, grow worse. Keep a weather eye on your offspring at such a time. Take your child, if need be, to an orthopedic physician or a qualified physical education teacher for a check-up and a set of corrective exercises. Armed with these, be a designing woman and entice your child into an interest in the use of his body. It will be an incalculable adjunct to his future health and good looks.



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WHAT TO DO ABOUT SLEEP!

The shepherd who spends his days with his flock is unlikely to come to the doctor complaining of insomnia

EDMUND JACOBSON, M. D. Guest Health Editor of the Month

F YOU are the average person, there have been nights when you have not slept well. Perhaps you went to a movie and retired promptly upon your return home. You were very tired that day and the movie had proved exciting. The bed did not look attractive when you walked into your bedroom, and you would have preferred to chat for a while or even to read. But with a sigh you recalled that tomorrow was another busy day and you had better not stay up any longer.

In bed it was interesting to recall various scenes from one or the other of the double-header films which had impressed you. It was not long until you were thinking of other matters, some which had happened during the day and some which had happened long ago. From time to time you thought also of future matters, some pleasant and some disturbing and even of events which were very unlikely to happen at any time. Perhaps an hour later the clock was sounding and you were not yet asleep. You needed your rest for the coming day. Making up your mind that this would not do, you turned over on your side in order to get to sleep at once. Soon thereafter you found yourself thinking again, this time about something which you must do tomorrow. And so it went on until finally you did get to sleep but on the next morning you were not so refreshed as you had hoped to be.

Or perhaps it was an evening of bridge which preceded the sleepless hours. The cards kept recurring to you-what you might have played, as well as what you did play. Also, there



were hands which flashed into your imagination which you had never held but which it would be interesting to hold. Various things said during the evening were also recalled as you lay without sleeping, possibly into the wee hours of the morning. Sometimes you even felt that it was worth your while to lie sleepless, for you could think clearly and

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you needed to solve various problems. But there came a time when you did not seem to be getting anywhere in thinking or in sleeping, and then you began to wonder what to do about it, which is also the subject of this article.

Almost everyone has had the experience of failing to sleep after an exciting day. Perhaps you are an employee, obliged to work near someone who nags or savs things from time to time which "get under your skin" and call for an answer. When the boss says something derogatory and perhaps threatens your future, the aftereffects may become conspicuous during the night hours. But success also can make for sleeplessness. One does not sleep so well when thrilled over what has been accomplished and pleasantly excited by many compliments.

These are but a few examples of events that can play havoc with the hours which you would prefer to devote to rest. You may fill in the list with others from your own experience. You will find that whatever excites you unduly, be it pleasant or painful, tends to disturb your sleep, because it keeps your emotions and your reflections active during the night hours.

During wartime, there are extraordinary conditions which affect sleep, usually adversely. Workers in factories are in many instances compelled to sleep by day, to which they are unaccustomed. Noises often disturb them. Furthermore, many people work much harder than usual.

Under difficult conditions, some people resort to sedatives. Perhaps you have heard some neighbor say that he has taken bromides, phenobarbital or some other nerve quieter. The first dose might have been given at the hospital when he was sick and the doctor believed that he needed sleep badly. Thereafter he used it occasionally. The temptation was always great to turn to it again whenever sleep failed to come naturally. In some such manner habits of dependence upon sedatives are often formed. The habitual use of sedatives is generally condemned.

What causes poor sleep in the average person? So far as this question can be answered in a single word or phrase, the trouble arises from heightened nervous tension. What brings this on? Various examples have already been mentioned above. In general, it is the kind of life we lead which is usually most responsible.

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who watches and rides with the herd, the countryfolk who lead simple, healthful lives are unlikely to come to the doctor complaining of insomnia, Why? Obviously, because the momentum of their daily living is far from high. They can readily slow down at night, attaining peaceful slumber as a rule. In contrast, the city dweller, particularly the New Yorker, often exemplifies the peak of high tension living. His efforts at business and at amusing himself and others are often almost unceasing, by day and at night. Mealtimes often are given over to conferences or social pursuits, rather than devoted chiefly toward refueling. Wartimes have only accentuated the tendencies to over-activity among military men as well as civilians.

High tension living is characterized by varieties of efforts. Efforts consist of contractions of muscles. Everything we do, including walking, talking, breathing, and writing, is made up of such contractions, just as a musical performance consists of notes played on one or more instruments. What quiet represents to music, sleep represents to these variable efforts of daily life: sleep is the absence of effort, which I have called "relaxation."

The average person does not relax fully, even when he closes his eves and lies down to rest at night. A certain tension remains over, for which the name "residual tension" seemed to me most appropriate. In plain terms, people become so stimulated in present-day affairs that they generally fail to discontinue their efforts entirely, even when they lie down to rest. Even so, it is possible for a person to fall asleep incompletely relaxed, provided that the efforts are not too great or too variable from moment to moment. Monotony is conducive to sleep, even when it is monotony of effort. However, when you go to sleep without relaxing most of your muscles completely, the rest is disturbed with dreaming. There may even be nightmares. Next morning you are not



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Sleep is restful recuperation, which includes the removal of fatigue and other waste products from tissues in which they have accumulated during previous activity. Some of these products must be detoxified, others eliminated in the exhaled air, through the skin, in the urine, and in the stool. It is a complex business, conducted along mathematical lines. Fortunately the solutions of these problems occur automatically and are not left exclusively to the engineering genius of each individual.

To a large extent, however, each individual is ordained by nature to be the engineer of his own body. The body is provided with a signal system, mediated through the nerves, indicating to him his needs. This system works instinctively.

The sense of fatigue is the most important signal leading to sleep. Certain chemical products which accumulate in the blood and in the tissues upon exertion, are responsible for the signal. In animals the signal of fatigue is generally followed automatically by sleep, but man often fails to follow the signal unless it is so strong that it overcomes other sensations which distract him during his active life.

However important for health, many persons make a practice of ignoring the signal from fatigue, when they can get away with it. Since man is a creature of habit. ignoring the signal becomes easier with continued practice. Wishful thinking helps the individual to overlook his fatigue; he "feels fine," he may tell himself, even if he has spent few hours in bed of late. We can also steel ourselves to a certain extent to overlook fatigue by the use of stimulants such as coffee, tea, alcohol, or the use of sedatives. For certain ends, this



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can be a useful practice, particularly if we wish to be night-owls; but obviously it can be overdone.

Above all, what commonly leads most persons to ignore fatigue is what might loosely be called the zest of living. The modern child characteristically does not want to go to sleep and makes every excuse he can to delay going to bed. Only when "worn out" do many children give up their resistance.

What has been said of children applies substantially to adults as well, for the chief difference lies in the increasing variety of the external signals which act during later life.

Slight states of fatigue commonly give weak signals which can all the more readily be ignored. Indeed, in my experience, patients require special training as a rule to enable them to sense the lighter grades of fatigue. Failure to recognize that they are overstepping nature's limits can lead to various forms of nervousness, eventually even to breakdown. But any organ of the body can be influenced unfavorably. The results include nervous indigestion, spastic colitis and ulcers of the stomach and intestines, high blood pressure and heart strain, and many other chronic ailments. No class of people is immune to these maladies of nervous hypertension-not even the doctors themselves who often lose themselves in the interest and service of their profession and fail to observe the fatigue signal until breakdown stops them.

We all know that prevention is often better than cure and there is much which you can do to avert undue fatigue. When you exercise, vou can ascertain vour reasonable limit beyond which exhaustion supervenes in order to learn to avoid excess. You can see to it that you do your daily work and your pleasures as tirelessly as possible. It will prove worth your while to desist from your work from time to time during the day, taking several minutes off for rest in a chair, letting all your muscles relax as well as you know how and not setting yourself to think about anything



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during this brief interval. In addition, perhaps you are one of those persons so fortunately situated that you can arrange to take an hour of complete rest before or after lunch and again before dinner. Breaking up your day's efforts with an interval of at least an hour's rest can do much toward averting fatigue. This hour of rest should not be taken during evening, soon before you go to bed; for it tends to remove fatigue products, which are conducive to sleep. Therefore, if your hour of rest should nevertheless be taken during the evening, you will do well to insert some mild exercise such as a walk between the rest and the time of retirement, so that fatigue products may be regained to assist you towards sleep.

Any kind of room will do for sleep, if you know how to relax. Since the average person does not know how to relax under unfavorable conditions, it is fortunate that most American homes provide fairly comfortable beds. Featherbeds have been largely discarded, at least in America, and would generally be regarded here as too soft and too warm for comfort. Yielding mattresses are often employed by those who have the means to purchase them. Individuals differ, but most persons probably sleep best on the kind of mattress which they prefer. However, persons subject to arthritic pains, especially backache, will commonly do well to seek a comfortable, yielding mattress, and the luxury of a box spring may not be excessive. A vogue has arisen to insert hard boards under a thin mattress for persons subject to backache and other pains, and some profit by this; but there is no good evidence that this accomplishes much for most sufferers, excepting for the psychological influence of the belief that they are making a gain.

Mattress makers would do well to provide especially for persons who habitually sleep on their back. In these persons, pressure on the heel, which is a small area, commonly results from the weight of the leg. Often this produces a certain discomfort which could be eliminated if mattresses were made 6 to 12 inches shorter than is the present custom, so that the weight of the leg would be supported by the entire calf. The foot would then extend over the end of the mattress, which might appear ridiculous at first to those unaccustomed to the novelty; but the sleeper on his back would profit by the change.

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Treet Corn Casseroles

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1/8 tsp. pepper 21/2 cups cooked whole kernel corn (No. 2 can) 1/3 cup chopped green pepper 1/3 cup dry bread crumbs

Melt fat and lightly brown onions. Blend in flour. Add milk gradually and stir until thick. Add seasonings, corn and green pepper. Fill 4 individual casseroles or 1 large casserole half full with corn mixture. Sprinkle with crumbs and finish filling with corn. Cut loaf of Treet into 8 slices and place 2 on top of each corn casserole. Bake 30 minutes in 350° F. oven. 4 servings.

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reasonably free from noises or other sources of disturbance; but it is unprofitable to carry this precaution to the extreme. For when the would-be sleeper begins to try to eliminate every disturbing noise his every effort results in further discomfiture. The secret of good sleep is learning to relax in the presence of discomfort. Pampering yourself with excess pillows under various parts of your body is therefore the wrong thing to do.

Fresh air from open windows makes a room more attractive to the sleeper. There are instances, however, in which this can be overdone. Persons with respiratory ailments may need to learn to sleep as peacefully with the windows closed as if they were open. The example of animals suggests that fresh air while sleeping is not so essential to health as is commonly regarded. We recall that the bear retires to a cave, if he can find one, and puts his snout into his furry paws to sleep, oblivious of the health requirements described in the health columns.

The best sleep is relaxed sleep and the relaxed individual approaches the hour of retirement with an insouciance which is in itself a phase of relaxation. When fears of not sleeping become dominant, leading the individual to purchase night blinders and ear plugs, these measures will certainly fail in the long run to effect the results which the individual seeks. For his very efforts to secure sleep will mean the absence of relaxation. As in seeking salvation, Jesus taught you must be ready to give up your life in order to save it for eternity, so here the same sort of paradox reappears; to relax to sleep in comfort, you must give up all active efforts to make yourself comfortable.

A final word of caution. There is much popular writing on the subject of relaxation which is a product of the writers' imagination rather than the critical result of scientific research. For example, when you read of "relaxation exercises," you had better put on your skeptic's cap, for there are no such things. There are helpful exercises to promote circulation and health in general, but exercise is a positive thing, the very opposite of relaxation, which is negative. Relaxation is inactivity and so is sleep.



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- (and be sure it's Swans Down) 1 teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon allspice

1 cup chopped nuts 1 cup raisins, cooked and chopped

Measure into bowl:

Measure into cup: 1 cup buttermilk or

1½ cups brown sugar, firmly packed 3 eggs, unbeaten

sour milk*

Have ready:

1/4 cup vegetable shortening

*To sour fresh milk, add 1 tablespoon vinegar to 1 cup milk and let stand in warm place a few minutes.

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(Mix by hand or with electric mixer on low speed.) Stir or mix shortening just to soften. Sift in dry ingredients. Add brown sugar. (Force through sieve to remove lumps, if necessary.) Add ½ of liquid and the eggs. Mix until all flour is dampened; then *beat 1 minute*. Add remaining liquid, nuts, and raisins, blend, and *beat 2 minutes* longer. (Count only *actual* beating time. Or count beating strokes—allowing at least 100 full strokes per minute. Scrape bowl and spoon often.)

Baking:

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It was a soil, strange and new, in which this treasured institution started its growth, but its roots are deeply planted and it lives to influence a nation. It is a time of homecoming and gathering of the family, a time when we long for the faces and laughter of old friends. Preparations begin days ahead. Homes are alive with excitement.

Our hardy pioneer ancestors had no trouble in selecting a menu. With grateful hearts they prepared the vegetables they had grown in the cleared patches around their cabins --potatoes, turnips, onions and pumpkins. Turkey, then as now, was the miracle of the feast. A native bird from the deep forest, it was brought back in triumph by the master of the house, hanging from the flintlock on his shoulder. Down all the growing years of our national heritage to this day these foods have been, with local and current variations, the traditional feast. Again this year we are eating what lies at hand and again we are grateful. Our men and women in all parts of

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The Thanksgiving dinner suggested here is planned to save effort in cooking and serving. Thus the family can come together in the spirit of the celebration. Begin by eliminating the first course and serve cranberry and orange juice cocktail in the living room.

Of course, father has always carved. This time, however, he and the boys, together with their masculine guests, will take over the service completely in the spirit of casual gaiety. Meanwhile, mother and the girls, having done their part in the kitchen, sit at the table as relaxed and expectant as if they were guests. For convenience all the food is placed on a serving table. Father's sharp carving knife piles up thin juicy slices of light and dark meat while his helpers serve the vegetables and pass the plates. Later, when the plates are taken out they will bring in the dessert and coffee from the kitchen and this time mother will do the serving.

Each dish of cooked vegetables is a double symphony in flavor, color, and economy of effort. Green beans and tiny white onions are cooked in the same saucepan, seasoned and served. Turnips and potatoes are cooked together until soft, whipped with cream or milk, seasoned and piled in a serving dish. The dessert is pumpkin pie topped with golden brown molasses meringue.

Since encroaching civilization has deprived father of the glory of being the huntsman, mother is letting him display his victory garden in miniature as the festive centerpiece of the table. This is a round platter or tray in which a bed of chopped outside cabbage leaves make the "ground" or foundation for the garden. It is laid out in six sections with dividing walks of minced parsley and in the sections are crisp relishes. Additional relishes may be served in a bowl if you wish to keep the garden intact. Or, eat the garden!



Whipped Potatoes and Turnips Buttered Green Beans with Onions Hot Rolls • Butter Vietory Garden Relishes Pumpkin Pie – Molasses Meringue Cider • Coffee

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mushroom stuffing

1 Ib. sausage meat turkey liver chopped 1/2 lb. mushrooms chopped 1/2 cup chopped onion 8 cups day-old bread crumbs

11/2 tsp. salt 1 tsp. grated lemon rind 2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce 2 tbs. chopped parsley 3 eggs well beaten

PLACE sausage met liver, mushrooms, and onion in a frying pan. Cover and cook over medir 1 heat until sausage is tender. Break the sausage in small pieces with a fork. Remove from heat, add bread crumbs, seasonings and eggs and mix well. Stuffs a 10 to 12 pound turkey.

Note: If mushrooms are not available substitute 1 cup diced celery.

Serves 10-12

91 cal. per serving

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Preparation time: 45 min.

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Whipped potat 4 medium potatoes 2 cups diced turni boiling water	toes and turnips s (leave whole) ps	salt, pepper butter or marg ½ cup cream	or evaporated milk (scalded)
butter. Add crea	potatoes and turnips in water in the bottom of horoughly until no lun m and whip until fluff	ips remain. Se	Add boiling water so that there is er and cook until tender about 35-40 eason to taste with salt, pepper, and
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1.lb. green beans 18 small white on boiling water		salt dash pepper butter or marg	
PLACE b 1 inch of water about 35 minute pepper and butt	s. Drain and reserve h	aucepan. Add pan. Cover a quid for soup	boiling water so that there is about nd cook until vegetables are tender or sauce. Season to taste with salt,
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pumpkin pie—molasses merinque Preparation time: 2 hour

1 cup light cream or evaporated milk	1/2 tsp. cloves	1 ths. molasses
34 cup sugar	1 tsp. ginger	1 egg
1½ cups cooked or canned pumpkin	1 tsp. cinnamon	2 egg yolks
1 tsp. salt	1/2 tsp. vanilla	pastry for a 9 inch pie

OMBINE the cream, sugar and pumpkin and mix well. Add salt, spices, vanilla and molasses. Mix thorough'y and add egg and yolks beaten together. (Reserve the re-maining egg whites for meringue.) Pour into a 9 inch pie pan lined with pastry and bake in a hot oven (450° F) for 20 minutes. Reduce heat to a moderate oven (325° F) and bake 45 minutes. Cool slightly, cover with molasses meringue, and sprinkle with the nuts. Bake in a moderate oven (325° F) for 15 to 20 minutes. Make the molasses meringue as follows:'

Molasses meringue

Serves 6

2 tbs. molasses	few grains of salt
3 tbs. sugar	1/8 tsp. cream of tartar
2 egg whites	1/4 cup chopped walnuts or almonds

COOK molasses and 2 ths. of the sugar to 238° F or until a little of the mixture dropped in cold water forms a soft ball. Cool slightly. Beat egg whites until frothy; add salt and cream of tartar and continue beating adding the remaining 1 ths. of sugar and the molasses mixture.

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victory garden centerpiece

Preparation time: 1 hour

OVER a platter or tray with chopped outside cabbage leaves and lay the garden out in six sections with dividing walks of minced parsley. If desired, sprinkle cabbage with chopped nuts to give the effect of earth. Make flowers and vegetables as follows:

Daisies—Use slices of white turnips and cut outside edges to make petals. Fasten a small slice of carrot to the center with a toothpick. **Black-eyed Susans**—Use three or four thin slices of carrots. Lap them near one edge to make the flower, put a small piece of ripe olive in the center and fasten together with a toothpick.

with a toothpick. Cauliflower Plot—Break small flowerets from a head of cauliflower. Place in plot and surround each piece with parsley to give the effect of the outside leaves. Brussels Sprouts Plot—Sprinkle the plot with chopped raw cauliflower to make a light background and more effective display. Lay the Brussels sprouts in rows on the plot. Pumpkin Patch—Shape pumpkins from large pieces of cooked carrots. Insert whole cloves in one end for the stem. Put on plot and if desired, decorate with vines. Radish Rose Bed—Cut strips of red peel almost through to the stem of each radish. If radishes are not available use stuffed olives. Cut in sections and pull back to form petals petals.

Daisies, black-eyed Susans, cauliflower, and radishes may be crisped in ice water before using.

Idea submitted by Milly Connor

HENEVER I am very hungry, I like to remember the savory surreptitious meals which in my grammar-school days I use eat at the Widow Meek's. She had a small income, a large family, a house overflowing with guests. These were the children of neighborhood who loved nothing better than to be caught there rain too heavy to allow them to go home-until after dinner.

Though she would have been aghast to hear it, Mrs. Meek wa heart a great chef, a gourmet. I realize now that practically all meats were the less tender cuts of native beef, and occasionally h grown lamb, the kind which Amer-

ica-on-the-budget will eat with profit and I hope with pleasure this coming winter. But she prepared it with such skill that it emerged from her heavy old iron pot or from an equally heavy closed roaster dripping with juice and delight and soft enough for any child's fork to cut without using the slightest pressure.

One of my favorites was a generous beef stew served with great mounds of tender homemade noocles or fluffs of dumplings-and woe to the child who peeked into the pot.



A shank bone on the Meek table was as aristocratic a feast standing rib roast or a filet mignon would have been anywhere e

How did my old neighbor achieve this magic? She has been g these many years and, alas, I was too young when I saw her last ask her secret. But the recipes we are giving here are as nearly a can make them a modern approximation of what I imagine she we

Tewing prown meat cut in cubes Add water To cover mer until Tender

do with the same ingredier

Professionally, the civil supply of beef this season spoken of as "unfinished." means that the customary fe ing or "fattening up" with exercise has been omitted cause of many wartime nece ties. The animal goes to mar leaner and, therefore less tend

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make meat cakes on

Brown cakes in hot fati

The meat does not have that intermingling marbled appearance fat and lean which we find in the top quality cuts. This does not me as some think that the animal is old. It is just as good in flavor a nutritive value as the best cuts. In many parts of the country is preferred to more finished meat.

To a cook like Mrs. Meek this kind of meat is a challenge and an opportunity. Always it will take a bit of grinding and moist, slow cooking but the result is tasty and tender. The variety of methods of cooking given here offers a wide choice. No family even one which serves beef often should grow tired or bored if these variations are used in rotation. One household may favor one method and another one of the others. An added advantage at this time is that it requires no ration points.

Photograph printed on back of each recipe



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 covered rust covered rust reperation time. 4 hr. Parenter rust A Luow about ½ pound of meat and bone per serving. Use rily, sirloin, or rump roast. Rub roast with salt and peper and if desired with a cut clove of garlic or onion. Put in roaster leaving the fat side up if possible while cooking. If the roast will not stand up, lay flat side down as shown in photo-graph on opposite side. Cover and cook 3 or 4 hours in a moderate over 350° F, or until tender. Do not add water. Make gravy as follows: Remove roast from pan and pour fat into a saucepan. Measure 6 tablespoons of fat and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and return to roasting pan. Place over low heat. Add 6 tablespoons of flow and stir until the gravy thickers. Season to taste with salt, peper, when we heat end instead of the water. Make 3 cups of gravy. 	 Inulation Invited stady Invited stad	 spicy helf stew spicy leaf stew spicy leaf stew spice stew sp



Something for Parents to Think About

It would be wise for all you parents to dig out your insurance policies and see if you have this kind of protection. Suppose, for example, one of your children is riding a bike,

Suppose, for example, one of your children is riding a bike, or roller skating, or doing one of the many things that make up a normal child's life . . . and that child accidentally hits and injures someone. Would your insurance cover the medical expenses or the law suits that might be involved?

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Silver should be washed first, in hot soapy water, rinsed and wiped dry. This keeps its shine and cuts down on the polishing

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To save future polishing on small decorative accessories, coat with metal lacquer or a colorless nail polish. Not for the food service!



Use a silver brush in polishing the highly ornamented pieces to get at all the fine crevices in an intricate and beautiful design



Crystal literally cuts crystal and the expert rule for washing fine glassware is: One piece at a time. Each piece should be washed separately in warm, not hot, sudsy water. A dash of ammonia can be added occasionally, but not too often. When paper again becomes plentiful and no longer needed by Uncle Sam, use some crumpled tissue for a final polish. That gives, it a professional sparkle. Such meticulous treatment takes too much time to be a regular dishwashing measure but it's a nice thing to know when you are dealing with



Apply polish lengthwise, never in crosswise or circular motion. Wash in warm sudsy water, rinse, and go on polishing as you dry

After the silver, wash the glass,

then the china, separately and in

that order. Use warm sudsy water

for glass, occasionally ammonia



Water should be sudsy and warm but not hot and the best pieces should be washed one at a timeas a safeguard against scratches



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Silver should be washed first, then glass, then china. Use a soft brush, a dish mop, or a cloth, as you please, but do not scrub hard and do not use too hot water.



Cut down on both the work and the breakage by making a habit of scraping the plates off carefully as they are brought from the table, then stacking methodically for washing. Use a rich suds of mild soap and after washing rinse the china well in warm water. Do not let the suds dry on the dish. Either use a rubber covered rack or place a towel under your wooden or wire dish drain. In washing especially fine china, it is an excellent idea to place a folded towel in the bottom of the dishpan.

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Sketches by J. Lewicki

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