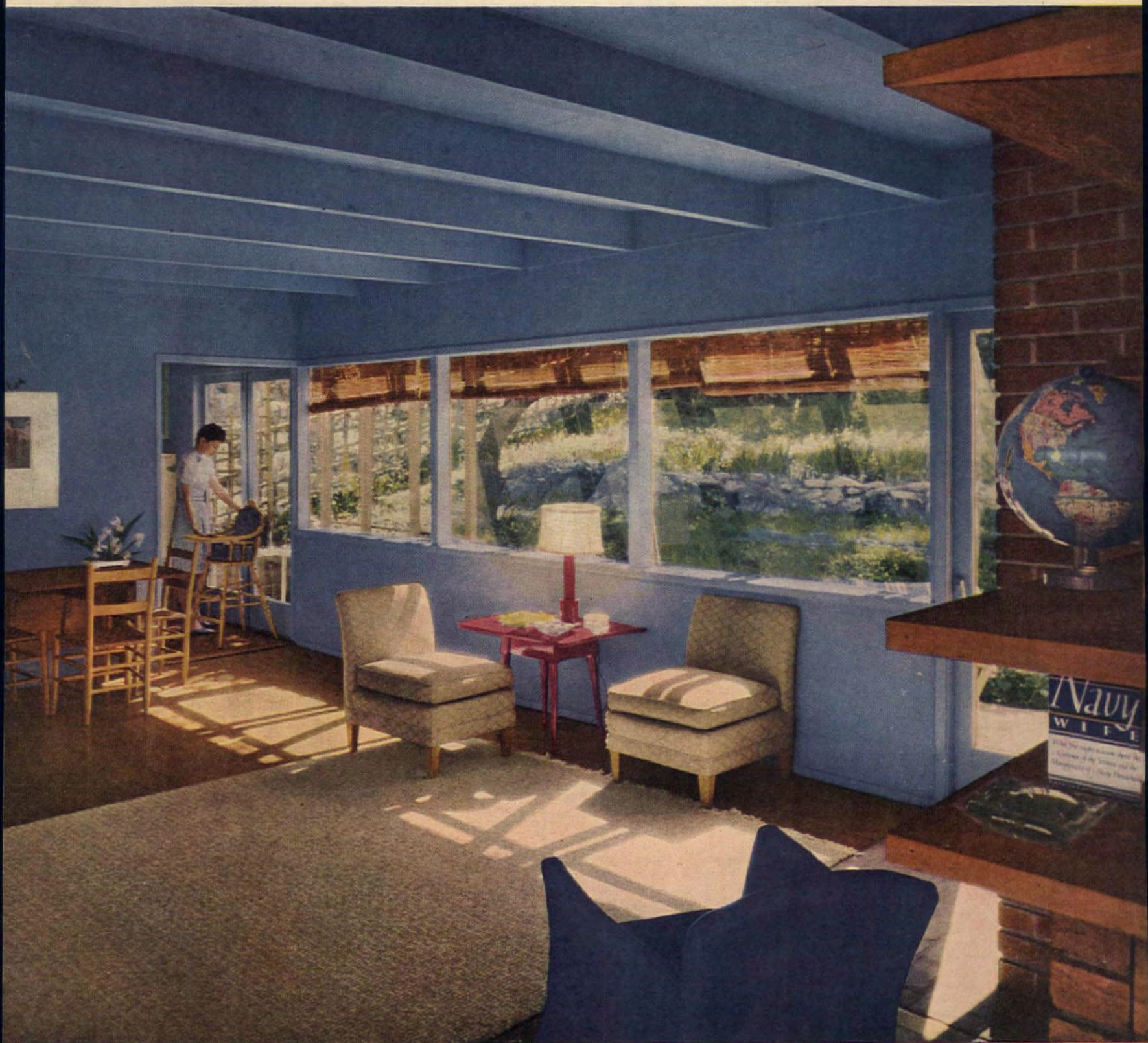


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*July 1945*

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I remember the night when we had the idea. Some of Susan's school friends came in for the evening, so Dad and I had to move out on the sun porch.

After the first ten minutes he started fidgeting. Finally he grumbled, "Adding this sun porch to the house was a bum investment. Never have had our money's worth out of it. It's just . . . well, it's just too doggone 'sun-porchy' to be comfortable."

At first I was annoyed, because building on the sun porch had been my idea and I'd spent a lot of time fixing it up. But . . . well, Jim was right. We hadn't used it as much as I thought we would—and what we really needed was a comfortable second living room.

While Dad grumbled I planned. I'd bring out the radio and the phonograph. He's always less grumpy when there's music. And why not the piano, too? Make it a "listening room"—the perfect place to listen to music or the conversation of good friends.

About ten o'clock I sprang it on Jim.

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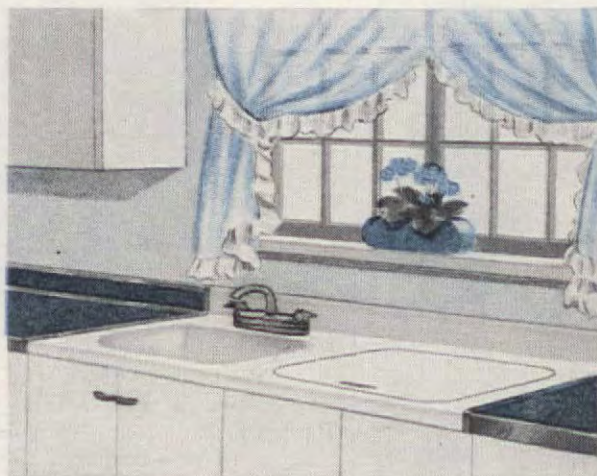
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"Shhhh ———

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"Seems Dick came home. (Actually, he's in the Pacific.) We were getting married in mother's flower garden. (Which, as usual, is dedicated to victory vegetables.) I was radiant in white satin. (Instead of the nurse's aide outfit I wear most of the time, these days.)

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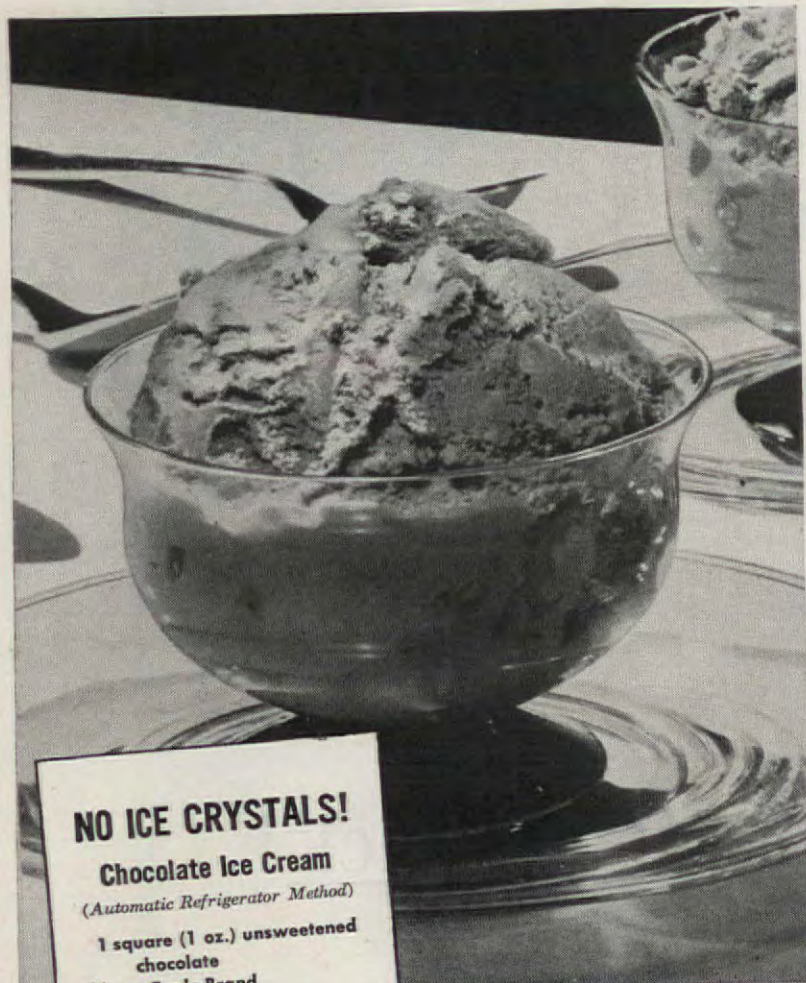
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*Thin slices* go a long way served on rice with Strawberry-Rhubarb Sauce. To make enough sauce for 8 slices, combine  $\frac{3}{4}$  c. sugar, 1 tbsp. cornstarch,  $\frac{1}{2}$  c. water. Bring to a boil; add 1 lb. rhubarb, cubed, and 1 pt. berries; simmer about 5 min. stirring occasionally with a fork. Simmer ham slices in sauce until heated (about 5 min.). Serve on rice.



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**Marine Combat Correspondent**

# *"You Can Take a Marine Away from Home But You Can't Take Home Away from a Marine"*

**M**AYBE the title is already familiar to you—it's an old saying and a true one. It holds especially true on every battlefield today where, in spite of discouraging circumstances, Americans are attempting to make life as pleasant as possible. Islands in the Pacific bear witness to this strength of home ties and associations. Of course while there's fighting to be done, our Marine has but one thought in mind—he's fighting to win. Call it one track thinking if you will, but it gets results. During the heat of battle on shell-torn Guam, men of the Marine Aircraft Wing lived in holes covered with ponchos, shelter-halves, and pieces of scrap canvas. Some built shanties fashioned from Jap lumber and metal . . . even ripped parts from demolished Jap aircraft helped make these temporary quarters. A wrecked bomber spelled "Home Sweet Home" for five mechanics during one entire month. Once fighting was over, our Marine became a little more choosy. Ships arrived with tents, lumber, and cots to make a more orderly camp possible. Most of the odds and ends which formerly had been drafted into domestic use were discarded, although some of the blue-green Jap plane seats and a few comfortable wicker chairs were kept. As everyone knows a tent can be just a tent, just so many yards of drab canvas fashioned into a prosaic, uninteresting shape. Not the most picturesque home in the world—that is, until some enterprising Marine starts kicking his imagination around! Then



Home was never like this — well not exactly, but give a Marine his comfortable wicker chair, pipe, magazine and shade, and he'll feel that this Guam substitute is not so bad



On recaptured Guam, Marines found many colorful wild flowers —hibiscus, cannas, and lilies among them—and lost no time planting them around drab military areas in white coral-rimmed beds

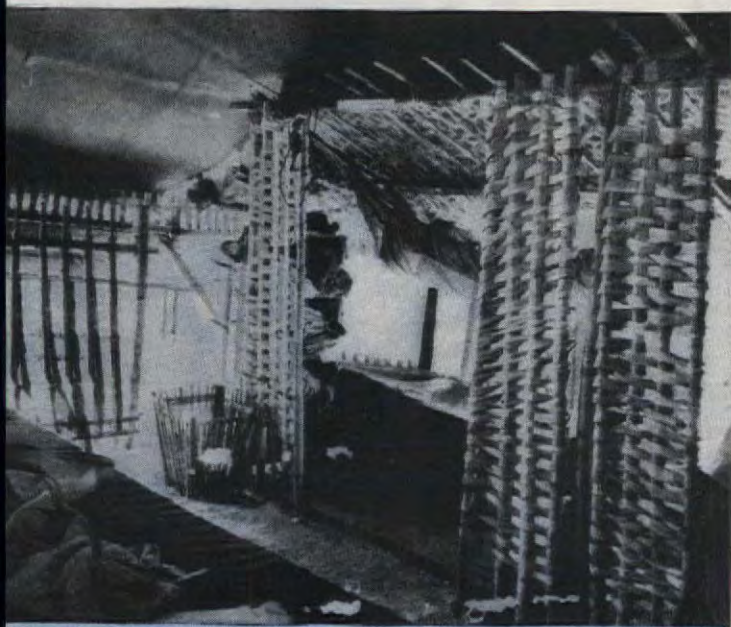


Flaming gold cannas plus woven bamboo at the entrance makes this the most beautiful house in Guam according to its owners



Marine flight plane mechanics built ingenious house of ponchos, palm logs and scrap canvas—the last word in functional design





anything can happen. You can bet your last dollar that the results will have a nostalgic quality about them—something of the old homestead slightly modified by South Seas' trimmings. It's amazing what a Marine can do with a plain pyramidal tent, six small poles, and thirty-two ordinary tent stakes.

There's bamboo aplenty on most of these islands. You'll find it used to advantage and with imagination by your intrepid leatherneck. Split into even length poles and laid close together in fence fashion, many a substantial and decorative outside wall has been built. The conventional tent canvas is often used just as roof protection against sudden, treacherous tropical downpours. To this add a gabled entrance porch of more poles with canvas top and you have a home to satisfy the heart of any good fighting Marine.

Often the poles have been used to fence in a campsite. They stand picturesquely silhouetted against intense blue skies and swaying palms, reminiscent of many a farm fence back home. Residents of Guam don't go in for grass skirts, but Marines have carried them there as souvenirs from other islands. They've draped these on the entrance porches to add more decoration to their quarters. Double canvas for the roof has been used as insulation against the intense heat. Jobs everywhere show the handiwork of expert carpenters. Built-ins are completely functional whether they be desks, bunks or rifle racks. Woven bamboo has been taken for what it is worth, a strong, decorative material that has been used frequently and with imagination. If good designing means taking materials on hand and using them logically, then our average Marine can rightfully take his place among the country's best postwar planners.



Teen-agers, too young for high school canteen, find jive house perfect for "rug cutting" and acting their own age; parents heartily approve of jive headquarters



On dance night, youngsters supervise own entertainment, decide on music, invite guests, and put on floor shows. They keep garage "cleanest in town"



When cars are backed out, garage converts to jive-session cabaret. Dates are escorted to the dance via bicycle. Lane II. L. P.

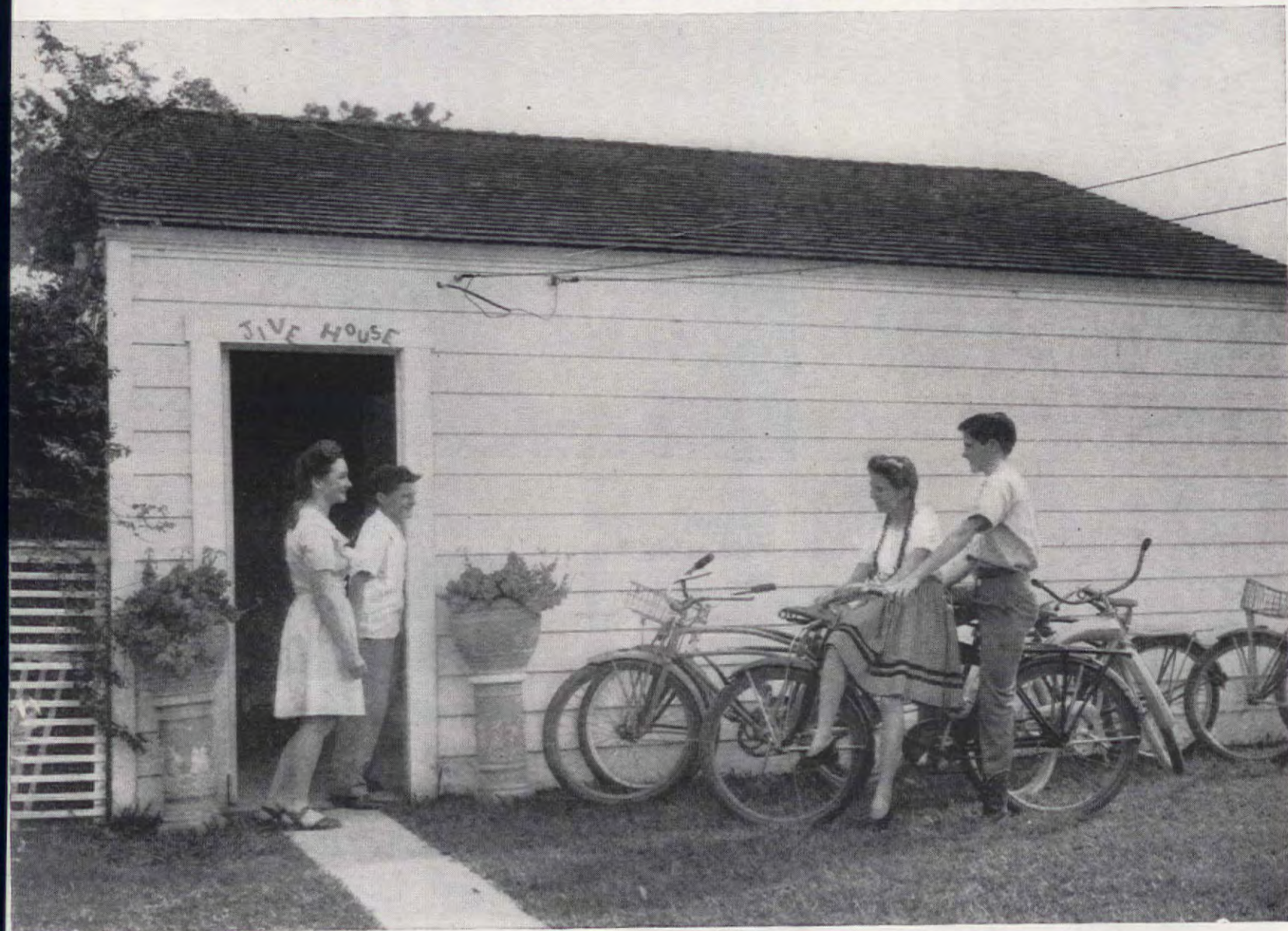




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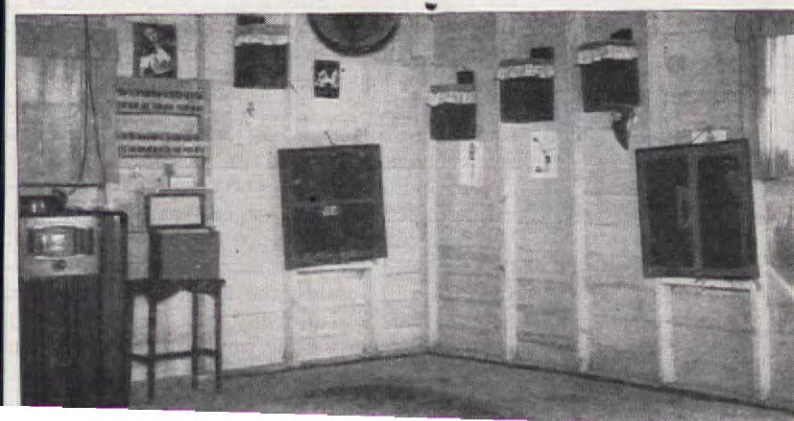
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MRS. BOB KNIGHT TURNS GARAGE INTO JIVE HOUSE, AN EXCLUSIVE AND POPULAR HANG OUT FOR TEXAS BOBBY SOCKERS

Card tables and painted apple-box chairs are hung against wall when garage is needed for car. Pin-up girls, record player, and built-in shelves complete party equipment. Teen agers act as hosts



**S**UMMER can be the fun-time of the year, a season of peaceful relaxation, or merely a long hot three months. Whatever it is, you and your ideas are responsible—for summer is what you make it! Many of our readers have already met that challenge with ingenious ideas and effort. As pictures throughout this article show, they have put thought and work into using the season to its fullest advantage. Some have followed through on large scale plans; others have just added a special picnic table, a new type charcoal grill, etc. But one and all, they have gone forward to give extra pleasure and convenience to their summer. What they have done, you can do. Copy or adapt their ideas, then do some high-powered thinking and add some of your own. Make this summer a season you can remember with pride and nostalgia all winter long!

**ELEANOR DEMPSEY** tells how Mrs. Bob Knight of Harlingen, Tex., gave summer a special build-up for the junior high crowd of that town by converting her garage into a double-duty unit—garage jive house. Here Mrs. Knight's son, Bobby, and his young friends can be rug cutting teen agers in peace—for everybody. Under her direction, the boys collected card tables too rickety for ordinary use, made chairs from apple boxes, borrowed a record player, put up a wagon wheel for a chandelier, and made special hooks



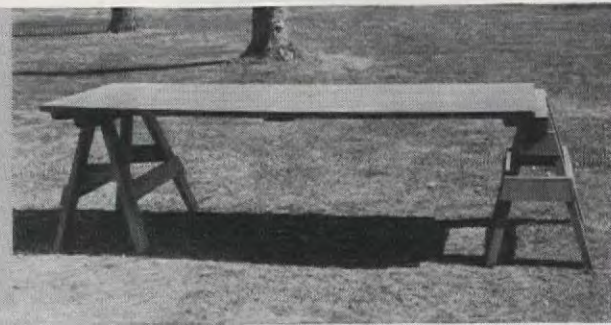
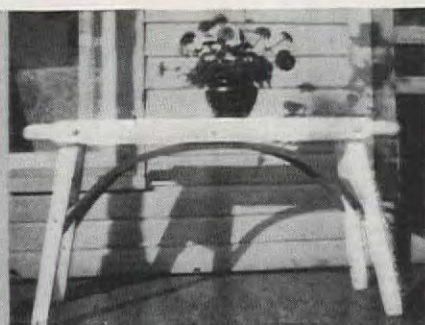
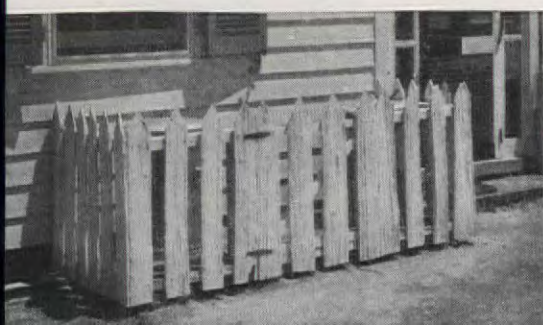


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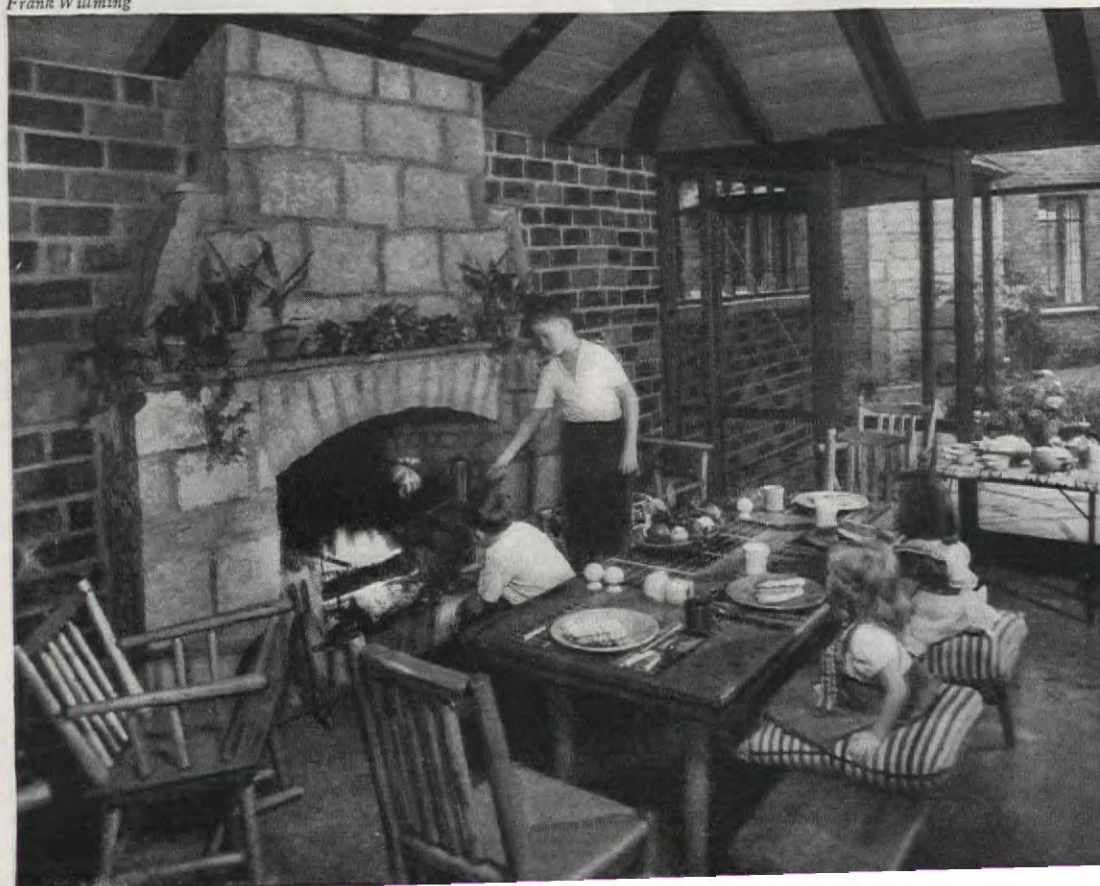


Philip Fein

Bright ideas for adding to summer pleasures—a yardless house redolent with growing flowers inside and out, a year-round summer house, three clever table turn-outs, and a back yard camouflage (complete with swinging gate) that will make you proud of your garbage can space!



Frank Willming



for each table and chairs so that after parties they can be hung on the walls and the family's two cars driven in. On party nights, the cars are backed out, the furniture taken down—and lo, the garage becomes a jive-party cabaret.

A house covered with flowers was **MRS. MARY WARING'S** contribution to summertime enjoyment. She started seed plants in the basement of her temporary home in a Chicago Defense Workers' Project, and in time not only covered the house inside and out with surprise "gardens," in all possible places, but grew tomatoes, chives, and mint in the outside "vegetable garden," a tiny bit of land between sidewalk and exterior of the house. In the **S. A. ALLEN** home in California, there's a new combination table-stove in use this summer. Sitting on a white-washed keg, you broil wieners over a charcoal bowl (iron basin sunk in center of a redwood table), serve your plate, and eat—all without getting up! A delightful indoor spot for picnics and other summer festivities is Mrs. W. Keith Kellogg's summer house attached to the main house by a long portico. **MRS. CLIFFORD SLOAN'S** private project is a garbage can-space camouflage. With a white picket fence enclosure she turned that unloved but necessary space into a backyard asset. (Note to the alert: Same idea can be used for any unsightly spot in your yard.) By merely removing the working apparatus from





A barbecue unit of gray field stone cut into steep garden bank was Frazer M. Cole's idea. Cupboards for storing coal and wood—with top usable as chef's table—are painted gray; chimney is made of yellow plaster



a grindstone bench, **MRS. JOHN W. TIDGWELL** made a delightful little serving table for her front porch. Across two saw horses, **JOE ETTA CLARKE** placed a length of wood, and presto—had a picnic table that can be made any length by adding units. Another of her projects is a child's slide made from hardwood and secured to an ordinary household ladder. Perfect for the summer cabin where electricity is not available is **MARY COOPER BACK**'s idea for a movable floor-lamp made of peeled dead lodgepole pine. Splay legs prevent the oil lamp on the crossbar from tipping over. Using our June 1940 suggestion that an inverted garbage can cover makes an ideal bird bath, **MRS. JOHN L. TRAVIS** clipped a holly bush in a spherical shape, sank a cover in the top,

and now watches "birds splash in the top of a shrub." **MR. C. E. LINQUIST** built for his dog a deluxe house with removable glass windows and a sunporch, and **LUCINA WAKEFIELD** gave the small fry a break when she found that brown cloth or an old sheet dyed some dark color, stretched over a bridge table makes an ideal camping-out tent for the summer.

Sketches by Clare McCanna





# Water

The Allan Houstons' pool in Illinois (see *American Home* for June) is like a jewel in a neat setting of plants. Lovely to look at, it was made largely for the use of bird visitors, so it contains no waterlilies and is quite shallow, with gently sloping sides.

Nowell Ward

**W**ATER may not be as vital to the gardener's welfare as to that of his plants, but it can add tremendously to the beauty and enjoyment of his garden. Returning from a tour of Los Angeles gardens, Ethel McCall Head says: "I am convinced that, for sheer loveliness, there is nothing to compare with water in your garden! Open water, that reflects the sky and the green of growing things, that shimmers in the mid-day heat and lies still and mysterious in the moonlight, that creates in any garden the illusion of coolness, but is especially welcome in regions of hot, dry air and brilliant sunshine.

"Starting with pools," she continues, "the more formal French and Italian types are usually found, of course, in large gardens where there is ample room for them—and for a suitable setting. That is essential and it should include both an approach that permits the charm of the scene to grow on one, and also a background. A variation is the pool in which we get an effect of form without strict formality; in which the edging is

of irregular rocks, or of brick or tiles. Then there is the pool, especially appropriate in a small place, which effects a sort of transition between house and garden. Located, perhaps, just outside the living room window or at the terrace edge, it becomes a feature of the garden to be viewed and enjoyed from both without and within.

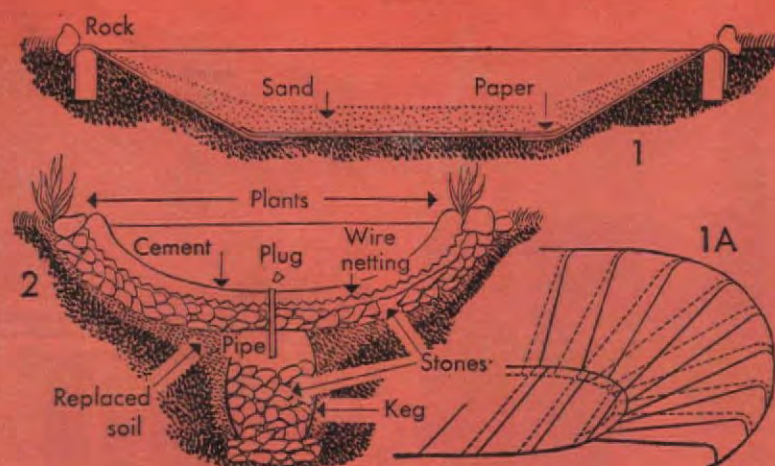
"Of course no garden should offer lovely, quiet retreats beside still or open water without providing also comfortable means of enjoying leisure moments there. Not everyone wants or is prepared to stretch out on the turf or crouch on some less yielding margin, and, personally, I would ban from gardens all stone benches and rustic seats that put a permanent wave in one's anatomy. The point is to have in the garden water that can be enjoyed by all, at all times. If there are children in the family group, a swimming pool is a great asset; but where space or budget limitations rule that out, there can still be a wading pool, as inexpensive as need be. This, besides serving to give the youngsters many happy hours, can also pro-

Dr. E. Bade

vide a note of beauty. There are, naturally, times when such a pool and its evidences of a good time—mud pies and toys, a miniature dam, wet shoes and socks, and so on—cannot possibly be called decorative. But, restored to order, it can take on unexpected charm in the cool of the evening when it becomes the venue of a barbecue party. (Incidentally, when such an affair is planned, a plate of fresh cookies does wonders in stimulating a real clean-up job after a day of fun.)

"Among the many types of really informal pools are those associated with rock gardens, little wooded ravines, or streams that may wander across a corner of the property. Perhaps you are even lucky enough to possess the makings of a little waterfall. Maximum success in all such cases is achieved by keeping both pool and surroundings simple, natural, and free from all tricky effects and cheap, garish properties, such as colored figures of dwarfs, cranes, and frogs.

Another source of water effects is the fountain with an appropriate bowl or pool, of which



Two simple suggestions for pool-makers: 1) Dig shallow, smooth hole; line with tar paper; carry strips over rim and (1A) lap and cement all joints generously. 2) Follow sketch and text notes





Contributors: Nelly A. Porter  
Ethel McCall Head Dr. E. Bade

# in Your Garden

## Will Add Pleasure to Summer Living!

the styles are legion and varied enough to fit all tastes and environments. Bird baths and wells (either real or simulated) also have their appeal, and flower-sinks (which can be developed as a kind of fountain) combine practical advantages with the element of beauty. Located in convenient relation to both house and garden, they provide a place to arrange cut flowers with none of the usual splashy mess indoors; and, during leisure time, they may be used to contribute a happy obligato for tea-table talk, or an odd hour with a book. Keep in mind the fact that, lovely as water is to look at, its full effect is not enjoyed until it can be heard—whether as the gentle murmur of a brook over pebbles, the soft tinkle of a fountain, the brisk splashing of birds at their bath, or the musical note of water falling from a height over rocks, or into a deep pool."

Only a few, probably, can attain to a real waterfall like that illustrated below, but it indicates the possibilities of a combination of skill, means, and good taste. Here, the hill directly behind the house was cleared of scrub trees, cut into some 75 feet with a steam shovel, built up with huge, imported boulders, and expertly replanted with trees, shrubs, and ground-cover suited to the place and the purpose. The total fall of 30 feet is broken half way by a rock ledge. From one pool, the water flows into a second and thence is pumped back to the top.

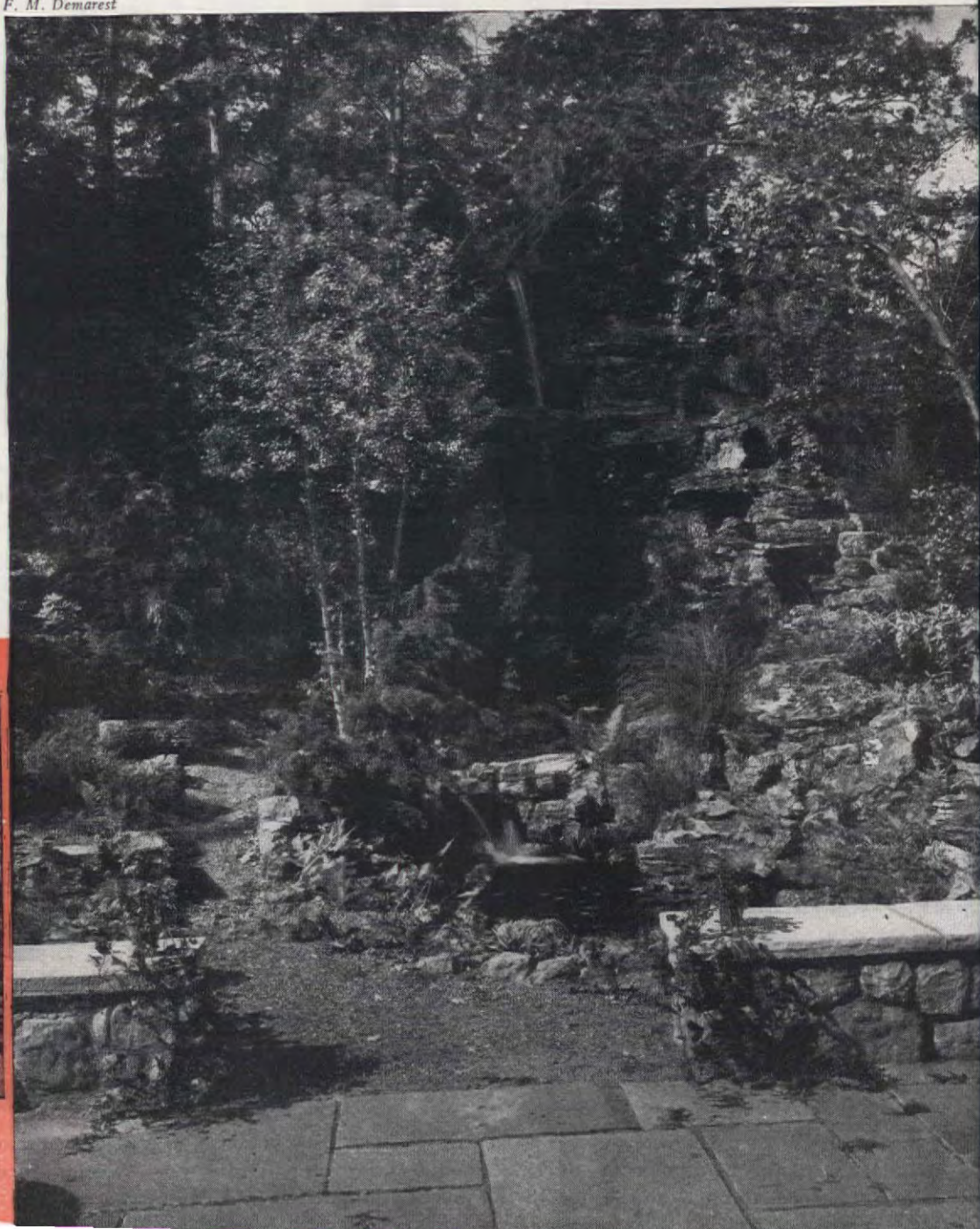
At the other end of the scale are very small, inexpensive pools as suggested at the bottom of page 14. Dr. E. Bade gives these directions for making one of paper: Dig a shallow hole of any desired size and shape, sloping the sides gently, smoothing them with a spade, and edging them with a low parapet of concrete or brick. Line the hole with felt-base tar paper, letting the ends fold over the rim and lapping the sheets generously and cementing them well. Paint the paper

surface with tar, then apply a second coat of paper in the same way. When tar and cement are dry, spread a foot or so of sand over the bottom; fill pool, let stand a few days, drain, and repeat a few times. When the water stays clear, plant lilies or other aquatics (preferably in boxes of rich soil) and set bog plants around the margin.

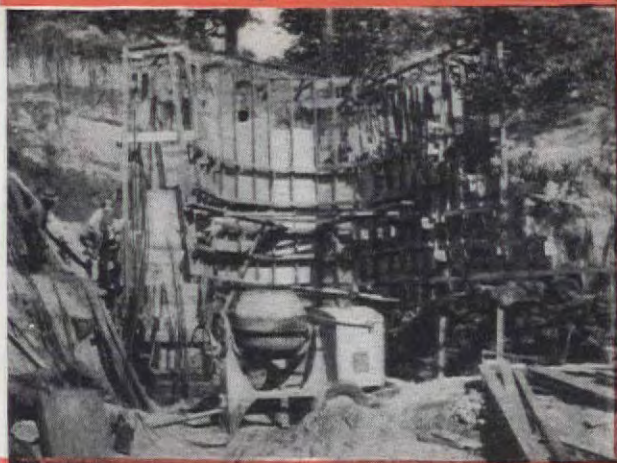
The second suggestion, from Nelly A. Porter, requires merely some rocks and sand, a bag of cement, an old vinegar barrel or keg, "and elbow grease." In the center of the chosen site dig a hole deep enough to take the keg and half the length of a piece of 1" pipe thrust through a hole in the bottom. Spread rocks on the floor of the

hole, stand the keg on them upside down, and fill dirt in around it. Lay more rocks on top to form a saucer-shaped depression, cover them with chicken wire reinforcement and then with cement soft enough to work in among the rocks and around the end of the pipe, but stiff enough to form a rim that will keep the soil from washing in. When the cement has set, stopper the pipe and fill the pool. The purpose of the keg is to let the water run off freely when the pool is drained but prevent the soil from caving in. If you fill the keg with stones and tip it over quickly, they will remain in place as a "dry well" long after the wooden staves of the barrel have rotted away.

F. M. Demarest



Design and construction by Alfred Kottmiller



The beauty of living water dramatized at Mr. George B. Cassidy's home on Long Island, N. Y. by a waterfall, man-made as the small view shows



# WATERPROOFING

## America

**M**ORE than ever before in the history of sports, swimming has become a **MUST** in our lives. No longer do we look at the municipal pool as a place of amusement but rather as a place where we can go to learn skills which will not only enable us to take part in healthful fun—but which can well mean the difference between life and death later on. Learning to swim is neither difficult nor is it limited to any one age group. Actually, swimming is like walking—a means of getting from one place to another. The ease of learning to swim can best be demonstrated by the recently developed Red Cross Functional Swimming and Life Saving Course. Through this course, millions of men and women in our Armed Forces have learned fundamental swimming skills in a week to ten days. If every man, woman and child would also acquire the skill to control himself under average conditions in water then the American Red Cross would reach their objective of **WATERPROOFING AMERICA!**

To release two drowning people, pull one up by the chin, push the other away and down with your foot

*Posed especially for THE AMERICAN HOME by Vanguard starlets CINDY GARNER and DEBORAH ALDEN, Ex-Olympic champion and holder of World's Rough Water Swim record for five miles—HERB BARTHELS, and ROGER C. PLAISTED, American Red Cross*

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**Director First Aid, and Water Safety**  
**Los Angeles Chapter Red Cross**



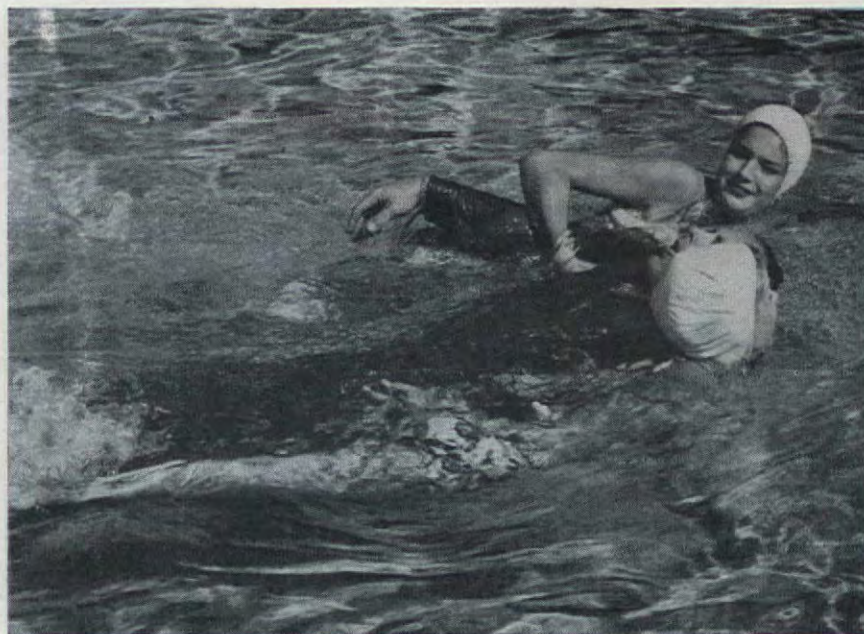
To release front head hold push drowning person's chin sideways, lift her arm over your head, duck to break her grip



The hair carry is effected by grabbing person's hair, and pulling him through water with the breast stroke

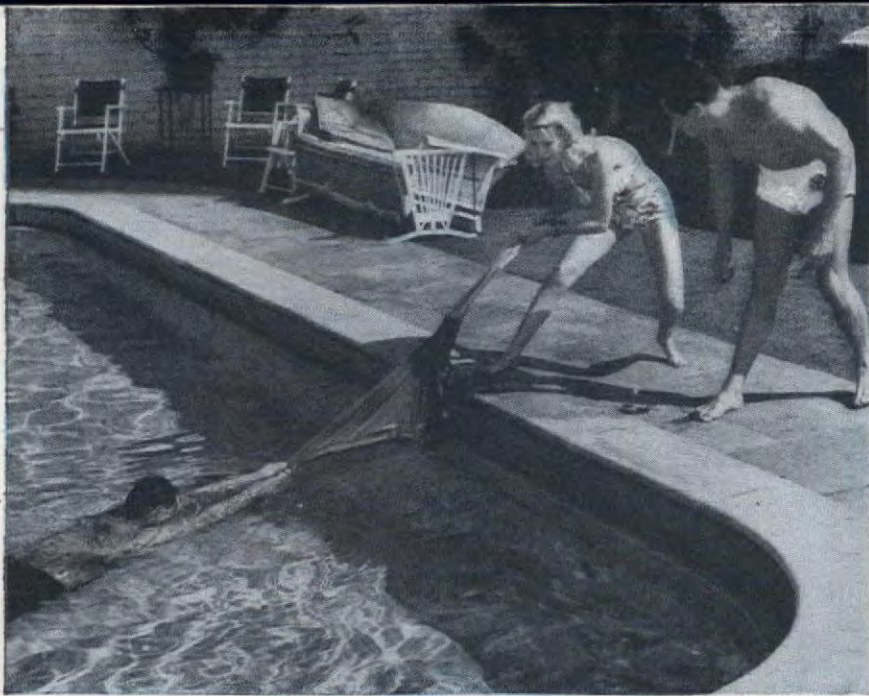


In the tired swimmer carry, the "tired" person rests on her back, places her hands on rescuer's shoulders for support and is pushed through the water by means of the breast stroke



The two man carry in the rescue of a drowning man may be easily accomplished by turning him on his back and by each rescuer hooking an arm under his arm pits, then pulling him to quick safety





The most elementary and fool-proof form of shore rescue for a non-swimmer to follow is to throw something (clothing or rope) to the drowning person that he can grab hold of, then tow him to safety



To revive a victim use prone pressure method. Sit astride victim, put hands on small of her back, rock forward and backward with an easy, rhythmic motion. Never use too much pressure any time



To accomplish a rescue by the cross chest carry, place your arm around the drowning person's chest, your hand under his arm, hug him closely, and tow him toward the shore—keeping him on his back



To release a rear strangle hold duck under drowning person's arm, come up behind him, use his arm as a lever to control his action. Technically speaking, this action permits a rear head hold release



Catching air in a pillow case makes a lifesaver. Swing case over your head and bring it straight down into water. It gives support for a long time, air can be replenished by repeating process



Two ways to hold lifesaving jackets. Deborah Alden holds hers by folding her arms tightly across her chest—Cindy Garner by pressing her elbows tightly against her sides, to keep jacket from rising up





**P**EACE! Does it mean only that the golden postwar age of new houses and helicopters, gasoline, and gadgets will have arrived? Does it mean only the end of rationing and the beginning of a new era similar to the "mad 20's" which followed the last war? Or could it possibly mean we have emerged from a chastening and sobering experience ready to accept the responsibilities of a peace won from such heartbreak and devastation as the world has never before seen?

Never before have women had put upon them such serious tasks as will confront them in the next two decades. Today, there are approximately 42,000,000 adult women in the United States and every one of the 42 million has a personal responsibility toward making the peace one that will not endure for a mere 25 years but *forever*. I am not sure whether we will be up to it, though I would like to believe we are. Every woman, be she 21 or 80, the mother busy with home and children or the worker in office or factory, can contribute, each in her own measure, to the kind of world where war is no longer possible. It's a magnificent challenge!

When peace came in 1918, it was still pretty much of a man's world. It is just 26 years ago that women were able to participate in the so-called democracy in which they lived by casting a vote for the *men* who were to represent them in a government "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Until then, apparently, women were not considered

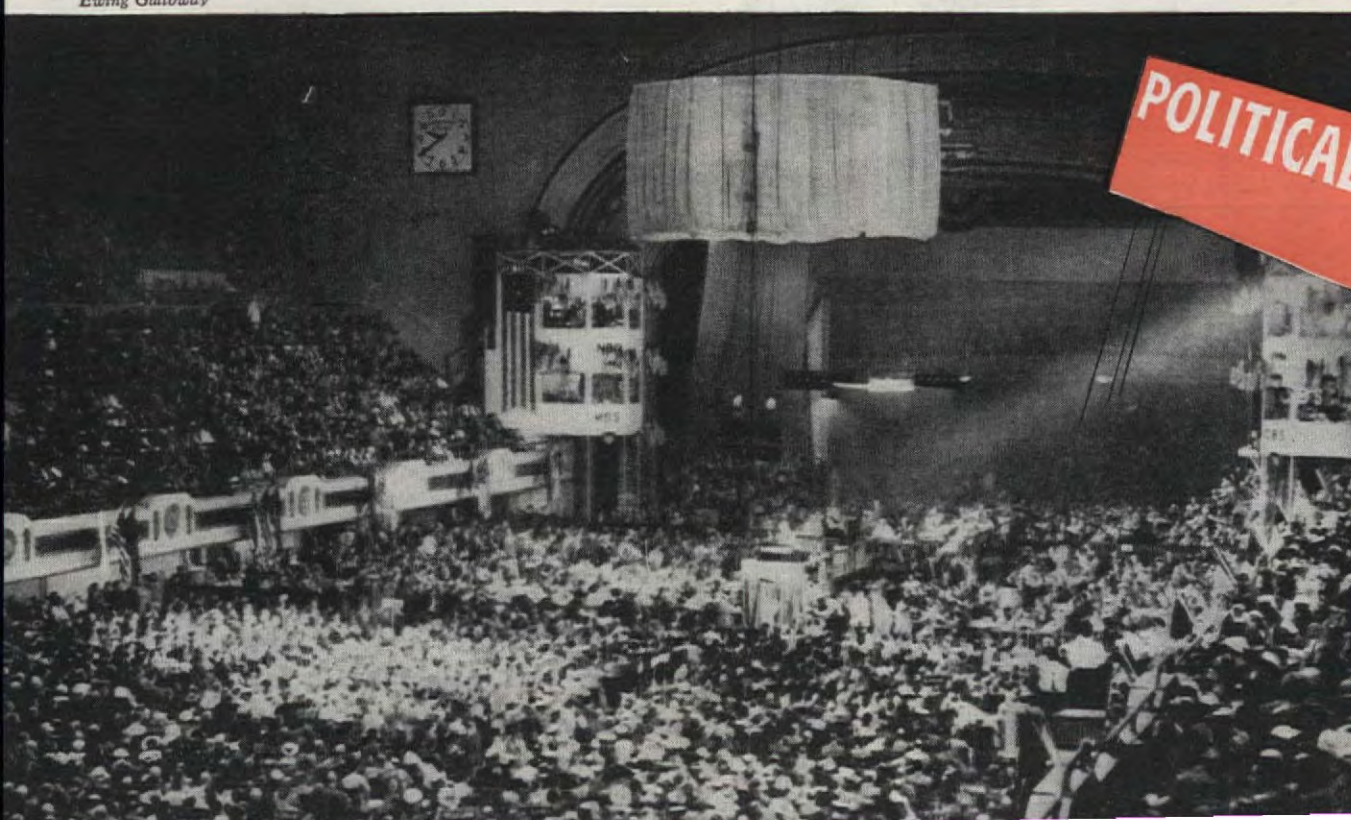
"people." It was difficult for women to enter professions freely, or to share equally in the economic advantages men enjoyed. Today, there are 42 million women who can vote, who can be doctors or lawyers, ministers or chemists, welders or policemen, members of the House of Representatives or governors, army or navy officers, or farmers or factory executives. During World War II, women have entered into almost every occupation from railroad hands to ferry pilots, formerly considered the province of men. They have done a good job, but the very fact that women have demanded not only the vote but equal pay in every kind of job open to men puts upon them a new responsibility—the same identical responsibilities they expect men to shoulder. For privileges are not masculine and feminine gender—neither are responsibilities solely masculine.

First, we must be *active* in politics. Just being well-informed is not enough. In all truth, most of us are not even interested in politics, national or local. But we can no longer "leave it to the men." When we realize what power politics did to create war, we must face the music in the future and force ourselves to understand the machination of both national and ward politicians. In this connection, we may be aided by joining the League of Women Voters who in all states do an excellent job of keeping track of what is going on in their own localities and at Washington and in evaluating the respective merits of candi-

Ethel McCall Head

# The Magnificent

Ewing Galloway



**POLITICAL RALLY**  
*tonight*

Men attend political meetings, not because they enjoy them, but because of a sense of duty—and so should you



dates for office or bills before the legislative. With active participation in the League, think what 42 million women could do to make it a great power for better government.

At a recent PTA meeting attended by 300 mothers, a social worker, speaking on child labor legislation, asked the assembled women how many knew what had happened to the child labor laws in their own state. Five hands went up. Only five women out of 300 knew anything about a subject which should be close to the hearts of all women. When the worker explained that under the guise of "temporary due-to-the-war measures" most of the gains of 25 years of hard work on the part of civic groups in behalf of children had been set aside by the state legislature, the women were shocked! Too late! In concluding, the young worker said with some vehemence—"It'll take a long fight to get those statutes back to the point where they were before the war and it will be *your* job!"

Yes, it will be *our* job and are we going to accept it and be ready to fight for permanent peace in every form? In PTA groups, women's clubs and civic organizations we are going to have to worry less about the hot lunch for little Junior or the War Memorial in the park, and concentrate our sights on the big and important issues. We will have to train ourselves to accept the obligation of being voters, 42 million strong. Some of us, past the age where we are needed steadily at home, will have

to get into city, state, and national politics and learn how to fight on the peace front for good government and to "insure domestic tranquility" in our own country.

Secondly, we will have to extend our horizons. This war has, at least, taught us that oceans and continents no longer isolate us and make us safe from predatory nations. Therefore, we will have to know what is going on in other countries if we are to have world peace. When trouble is brewing in another nation, its infection may well spread to ours. We may want to see democratic governments flourish in foreign lands, but first we shall have to learn to wipe out the sore spots in our own nation before we hold it up as a pattern for the world. As mothers we will have to be a great deal more rigorous in practicing democracy and training our children democratically in the home than we have been in the past. A school teacher of much mature wisdom recently said to me—"Children have no complexes against minority groups, the Mexican, the Jewish, the Negro children, unless they are prejudiced by their parents. Any problems we have usually spring from the home influence." What right have we to preach democracy while we can be so rightly condemned by such words? We, as mothers, are certainly not laying the foundations of a lasting peace for ourselves and our families so long as these accusations can be leveled against us. It takes as much training to make a soldier of the peace as it does to make one

## **Privileges are not masculine and feminine gender- responsibilities solely masculine!**

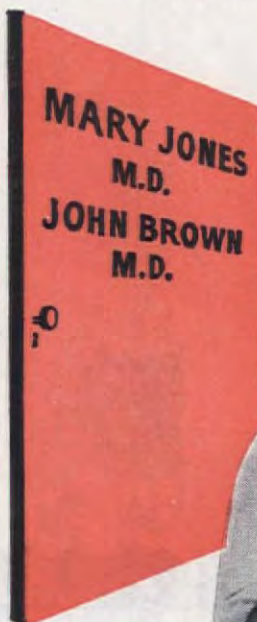
for war. Perhaps more, for a boy can be trained to use a gun more quickly than he can learn kindness to his fellow men, a deep sense of justice and racial and religious tolerance. But these are not only the touchstones of democracy—they are, as well, those qualities that make enduring peace.

Recently, I was talking with a mother who having lost one son two years ago in the South Pacific, had just learned that her second son had been killed at Leyte. "I'm going to spend the rest of my life doing whatever I can to further lasting peace," she said. "I am not willing that any mother 25, 50, or even hundreds of years from now should give up her sons as I have done. My boys died for a dream of peace. The least I can do

as a tribute to them—and all the boys like them—is to live toward making that dream a reality forever."

We can take our inspiration from this woman's simple words or from the echoes in our own hearts. When peace comes, our march is forward. All 42 million of us women have a real job to do—harder and bigger than any job we did during the war. How shall we achieve it? By constant vigilance, by tiresome meetings, by intelligent participation and understanding in politics and civil and international affairs, by clear thinking and by democratic training of our children in the home. There is no easy way—it is a job that will last as long as we live. But the goal to be achieved makes it a magnificent challenge.

**Professionally equal, they have  
equal obligations to society**



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# Challenge

Ewing Galloway



**Only 5 out of 300 women  
in a PTA meeting knew**

**how war had affected child employment laws**

**Children are never born with complexes  
against minority groups—Such prejudices  
"spring from their home-life influences"**





# Major League Comfort

THE CHAPIN HOUSE, PLANNED FOR THE BUSINESS OF PLEASANT LIVING  
AND VIBRANT AS THE PERSONALITIES OF THE OCCUPANTS

**Martha B. Darbyshire**

SOME houses always remain just houses—a place where owners hang their hats, eat, and sleep. Other houses are homes. The people who live in them like them. And, now and then, there's a house that's alive with living. It's as vibrant as the man, the woman, and the boys who live in it—the name, in this case, is Chapin.

The character of the Chapin house may be judged from the pictures on these pages. The Chapins bought the house and then they wore it into the pattern of their lives.

To go back a time, Mr. and Mrs. Chapin had admired the house for a year but agreed it was definitely not for them. The reason being it was on a four and a half acre estate. That settled it. They called it "our house that someone else owns!"

By an odd quirk, though, it was for them. About the time Mr. and Mrs. Chapin were seriously interested in buying a home the owner of the estate realized the site justified a more pretentious house. Since he was considering selling the property, he decided to move the house to another lot which he owned and then sell the land as a fine building site.

That's when the Chapins bought the house. It was an exceptionally well-built house which required, except for the usual fresh paint and new wallpaper, only the removal of a few too many French doors between the living room and adjoining rooms. The house is furnished with beautiful pine and maple antiques against a color scheme that has a characteristic and individual Chapin flair.

Pine and maple furniture are good for this red-blooded American family. It is sturdy and takes gracefully to concentrated family use. While Mrs. Chapin was planning the decoration of the house with her decorator, she gave her best effort to it and her best was with benefit of a broad knowledge of antiques and impeccable taste.

To her, though, the house and decoration were secondary to the living that goes on in it. Life as they live it was the pattern she followed. She never lost sight of the family and its needs, not for a minute. They wanted comfort in every room and every room planned for themselves.







Mrs. Chapin and decorator George Hall chose wine red and green for living room scheme. Pine cupboard and hutch cabinet are antiques

Dining room, below left, has pine table, toile paper, beige rug. Son's room has a charming old maple bed and green trellised wallpaper



Photographs by Maynard L. Parker

It was agreed that pine and maple antiques combined with deep, comfortable upholstered pieces were to be used in the house. Either of these woods shows less wear and tear than darker woods, all of which means less concern about mars, easier housekeeping and, therefore, more free time. Too, there is something contributory to hospitality about the genuinely wholesome appearance of an old pine or maple piece like the cobbler's bench in the living room or the glazed cupboard in the corner. The living room fireside chair is upholstered in quilted wine red. The

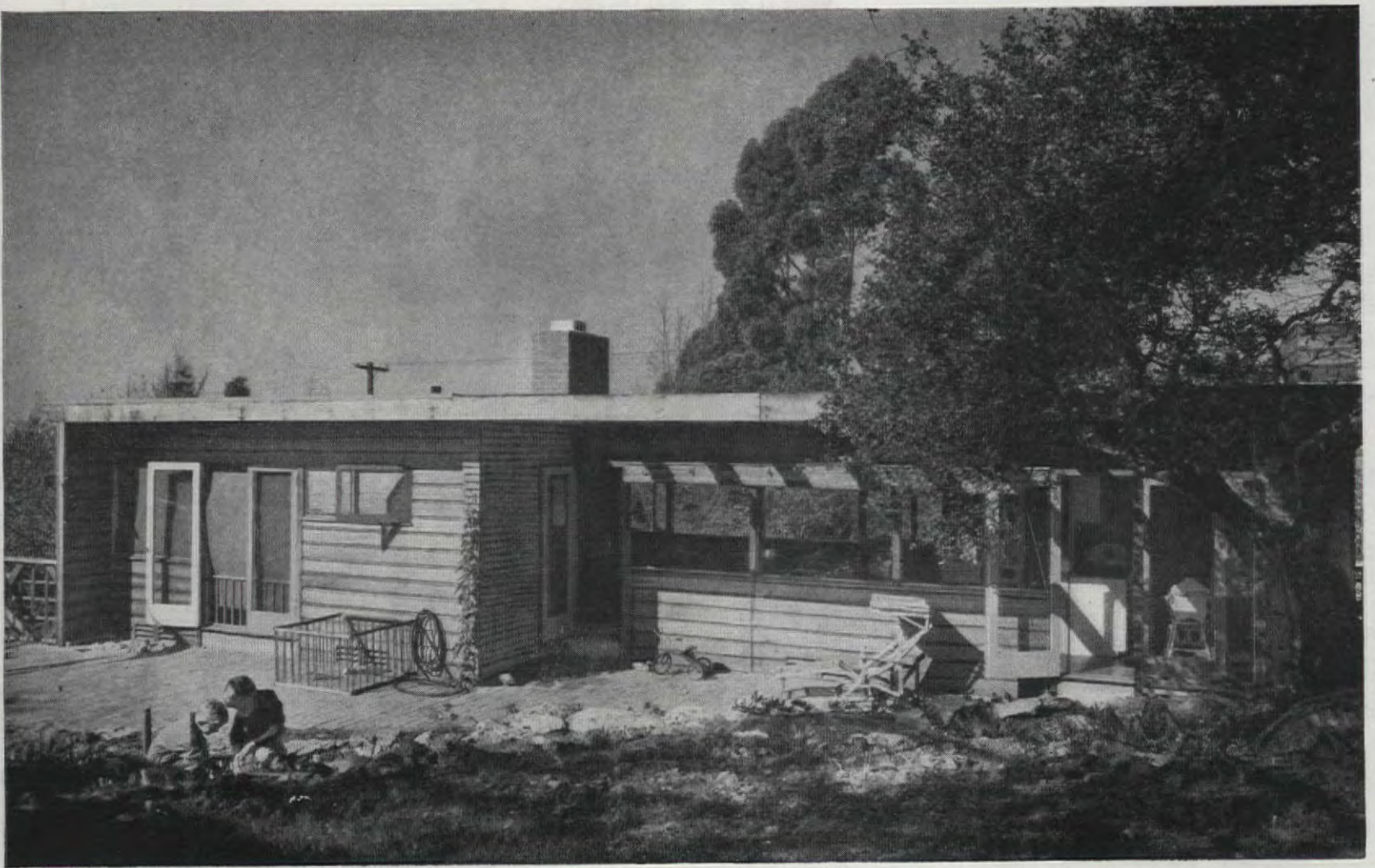
quilted sofa cover, repeated on the window-seat pad, is green, and the wing chair upholstery is of quilted calico-print chintz in brown, beige, red and green. Wine red and green again in the wallpaper repeat the dominant colors.

The rugs are beige—not too light. If they were of smooth texture they would show soil sooner, but being of rough surface they are more practical than a rug which might show footprints. The woodwork throughout the house is white.

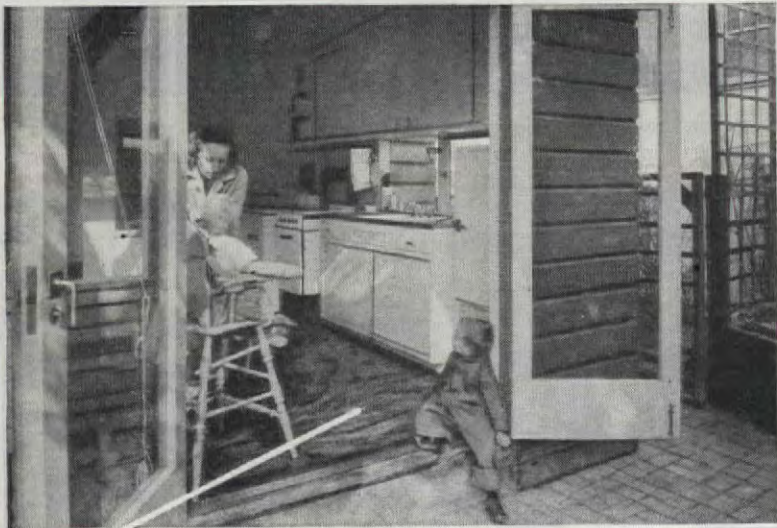
Imagine today what it would mean to Mr. Chapin in the South Pacific or the older son pilot-

ing a plane in another distant part of the world to see again their home on these pages. With what reminiscent relish would they scrutinize each picture of the house which they have always referred to as "Major League Comfort"! Indeed, few can resist the congenial spell, punctuated by slackened tension, of the Chapin household which everyone vows is a family conspiracy to insure a long life and a full one. The entire Chapin family live every moment of their lives vitally. Home is the Chapin's antidote. As Huntley, Jr., expressed it, "When we are home, we think best on one elbow!"





*Children's play area visible from oversized windows*



*Large doors simplify supervision from kitchen*



*Mother built protective fence in nursery door*





# House with the "Extra Eyes"

## a Mother Needs



Photographs by author

### THE BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA HOME OF LIEUTENANT AND MRS. G. A. McCORMACK

*Roger Sturtevant*

**T**IME was when boats played a major part in the future plans of the young G. A. McCormacks. A boat would be their home—there'd be a galley instead of a kitchen, compact bunks instead of beds and a sailor's carefree life on the bounding main! Then complications set in—complications in the form of one small son and another child on the way. After much argument pro and con, shelter on dry land seemed the more logical place to raise a family. A seagoing life would just have to wait. The "right" piece of property was soon acquired and plans zoomed ahead for their new home. Out came Mrs. McCormack's scrapbook of clippings, and ideas started popping in all directions. First of all, she wanted a house that would be easy to maintain. Any mother with a young brood will sympathize here. Again, it shouldn't be too pretentious but in keeping with their few, but carefully selected possessions. A wide sweep of windows overlooking the children's play area would allow mother to keep one eye on their actions and the other on her routine household tasks. The children's room would be a combination bedroom-playroom opening onto the back garden and situated for direct access from the garden to the bathroom—a good idea to keep newly house-

broken children from constantly trooping through the house. For Mr. McCormack, an artist by profession, there had to be north light in the living room. One corner was to be for his easel and drawing desk. It was amazing how quickly the various parts of this domestic jigsaw puzzle fitted into a compact whole. Soon nothing was lacking but the services of a competent architect and the necessary financing to start the ball rolling.

A little setback occurred when the powers who control the realm of home financing decided that the design itself was too extreme. This was a bitter pill to swallow, though the period of depression was not too long lived—Architect F. J. McCarthy saw to that. His skill in providing maximum space with style on a minimum budget was just what the McCormacks needed. His keenness in keeping track of local conditions in a rapidly changing materials market insured completion of the job. The exterior design of the house, under his guidance, was a vast improvement over the original sketches. They were completely acceptable to financing agents. Originally the mischief-preventing panorama of the children at play was to have been seen through double hung sash. Mr. McCarthy's window walls of glass set in the studding

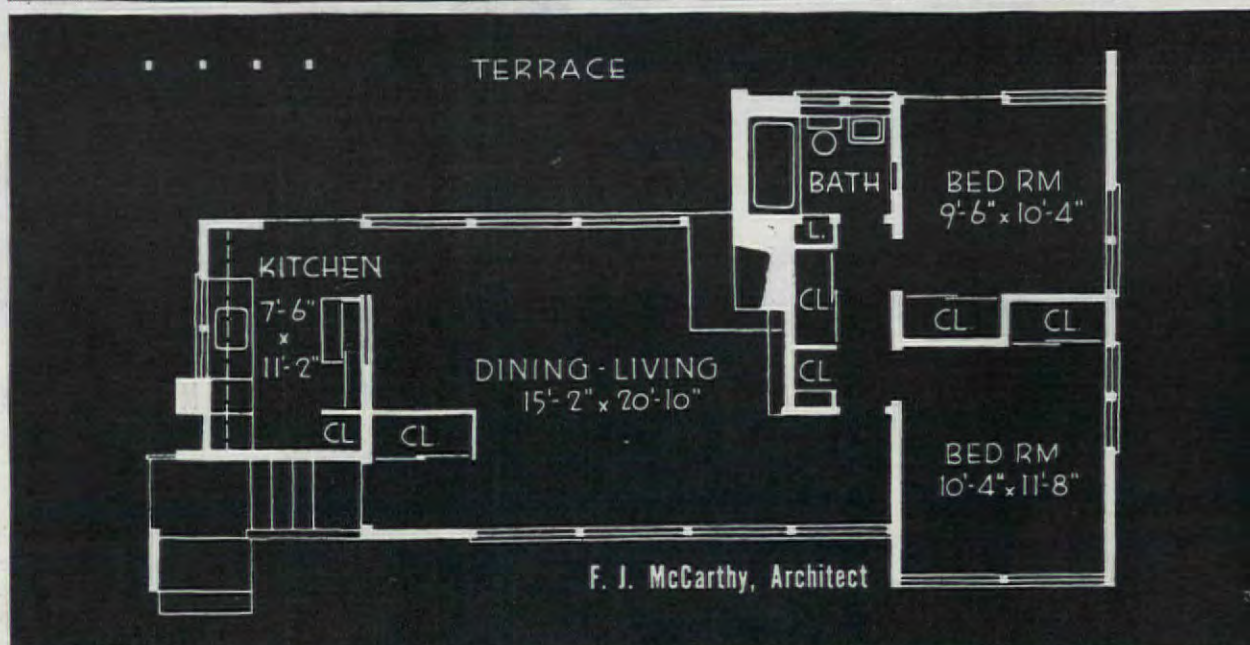
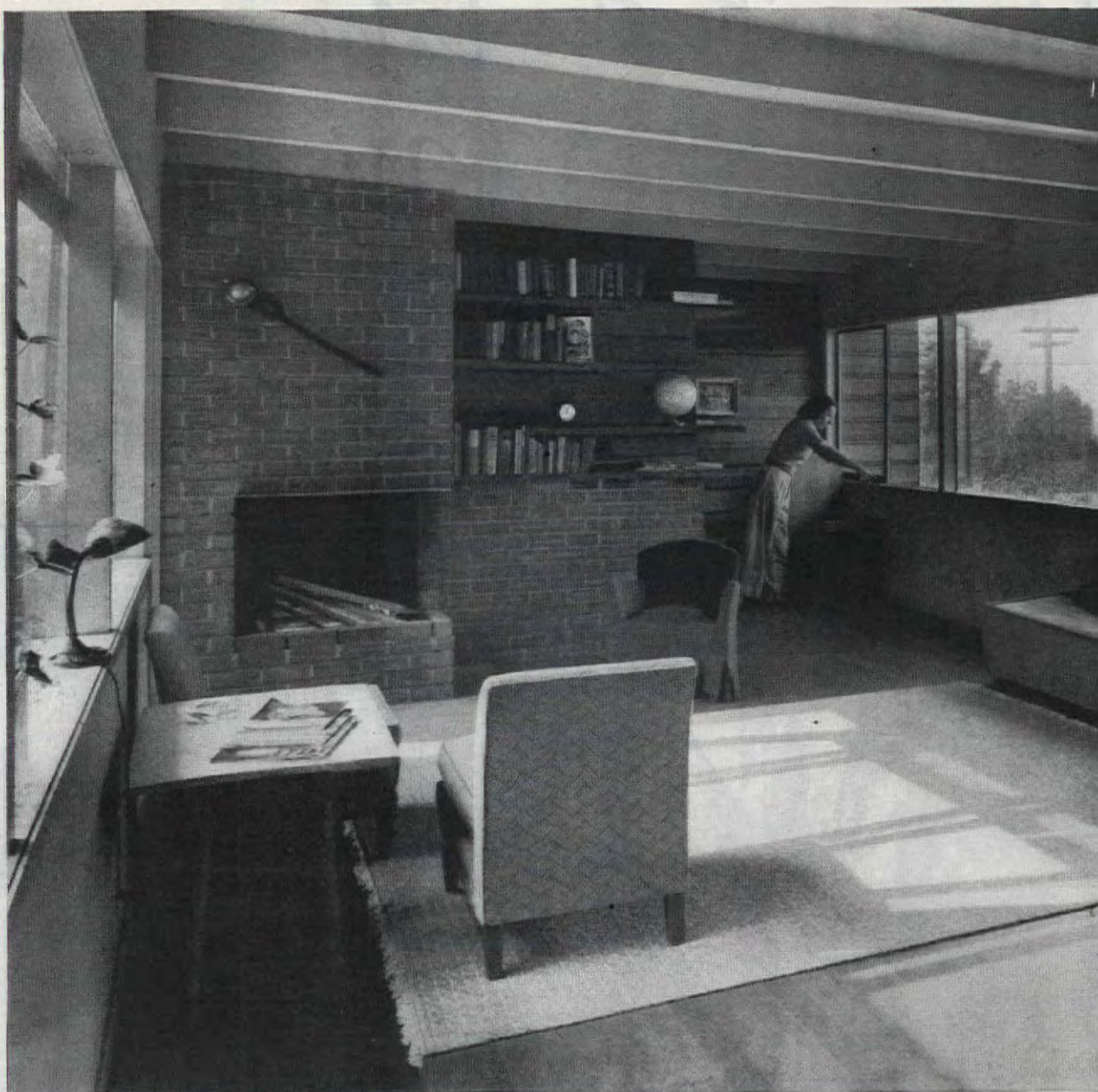


**Primarily designed for easy supervision of children, large windows give a sense of spaciousness to living room far beyond its actual size**

not only provided clearer vision but emphasized the horizontal lines of the living room wing. Two casement openings in the front living room window wall and the door to the garden provide the necessary cross ventilation. The only compromise in design was the abandonment of the architect's desire for floor-to-ceiling sash overlooking the garden in favor of wainscot high sash. Breakage danger to the children was the reason for this. A built-in coat cabinet by the entrance door screens the dining area and gives partial privacy to most of the living room. A final touch toward giving unity to the house, terrace, and garden was the extension of the corner fireplace as a brick veneer wall. While the house was in the process of erection, all sorts of things began popping. Electrical materials were purchased one day before drastic priorities came into being. Then the new baby arrived—another boy. Shortly after, Mr. McCormack became Lieutenant McCormack of the U. S. Navy and was off to the seven seas. Then Mr. McCarthy, the architect, disappeared into the wilds of the Amazon on a government mission.

Mr. McCormack was in residence long enough to enjoy the new house and share his wife's amusement over the politely shocked attitude with which guests greeted the interior color scheme. Vivid blue had been used on the living room walls and ceiling as the most satisfying background for their collection of pictures and prints. The bright green walls of the master bedroom were chosen just for fun. At a very small cost and with no tedious hemming, a brilliant effect was achieved by framing the windows in red plaid yard goods and covering the bedside lamps and footstool with the same material. A white chenille bedspread, which echoes the white ceiling, covers two cot spring mattresses. These will be used for the boy's double-decker bunks when they outgrow their cribs. The McCormacks never want more than a minimum of furniture and that minimum is pretty definitely set as a postwar project. In the meantime Mrs. McCormack busies herself with gay and amusing additions of her own handiwork. Her most brilliant achievement to date is the construction of a reading table made out of a broken-down nursery table, an extra piece of board, and a can of red paint. This bright piece of carpentry is crowned with a lamp made from an old rolling pin and a can reluctantly retrieved from her contribution to the scrap tin drive.

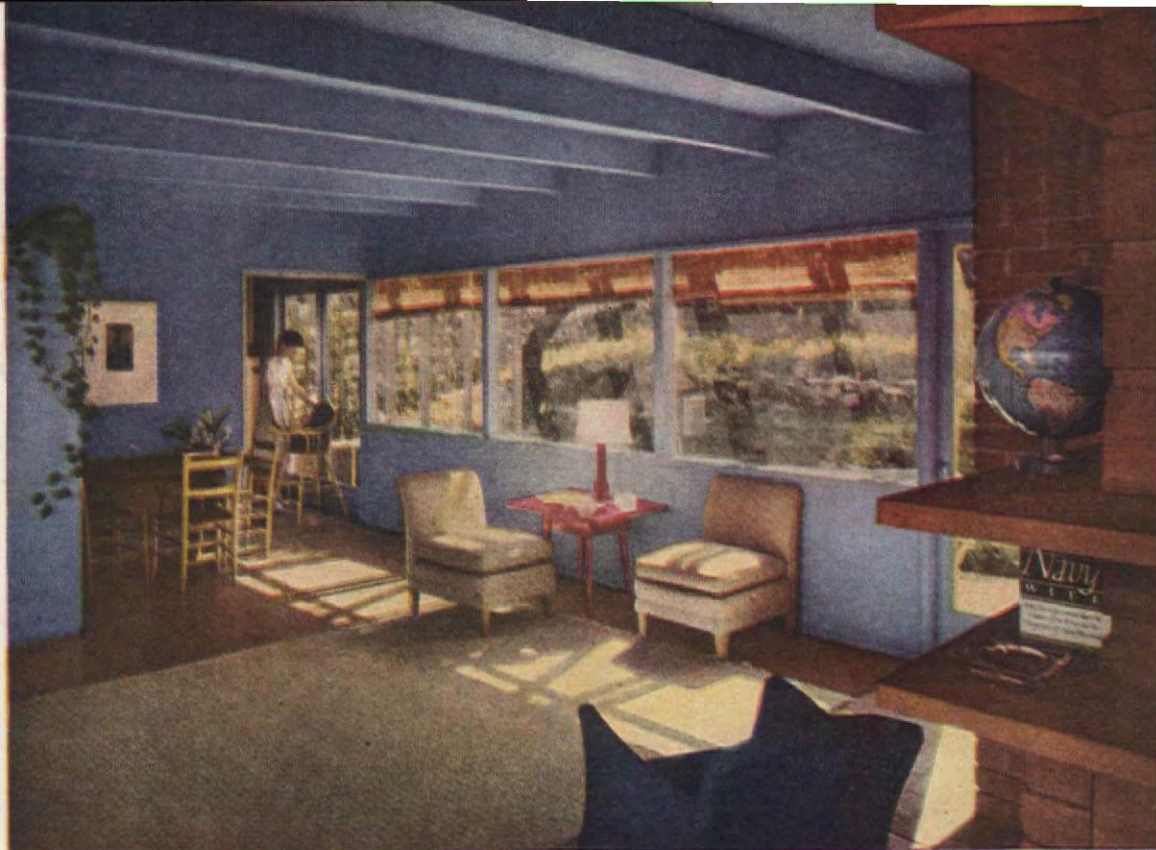
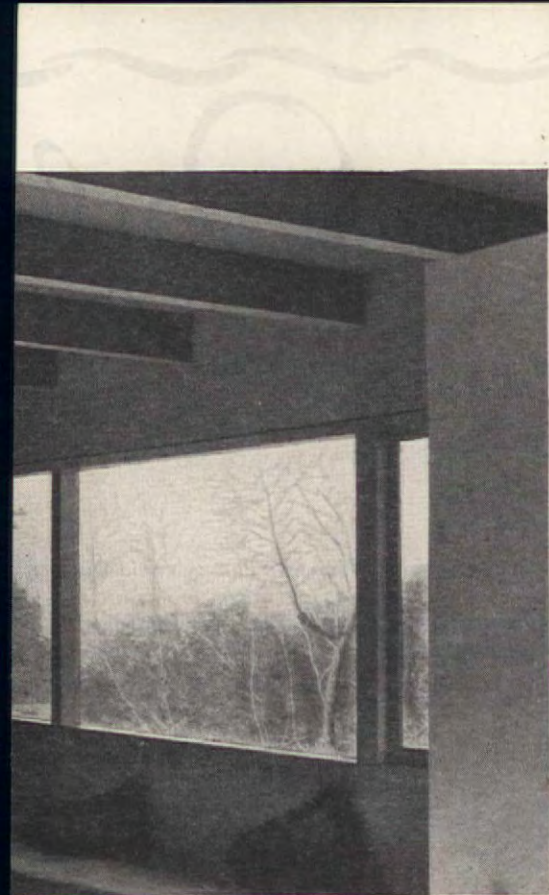
Naturally, with the master of the house leaving the scene so suddenly, many odd jobs were left uncompleted. A small child and his pals trailing dirt from an unfinished terrace makes housework just too much of a chore.



As soon as she was able, Mrs. McCormack laid a new brick terrace all by herself. She even tackled the job of grading. The terrace is lower than originally planned but it is neat and usable. By this time the baby had started crawling. To fence him in mother displayed her prowess with hammer and saw by constructing a redwood barricade at the playroom door, in key with the natural redwood siding of the house. In addition to all this a Victory garden was started, maintained, and harvested. The mistress of this household is sharply self-critical. She's not completely satisfied with the

house but blames herself for its shortcomings. Already she sees a future need for a large workroom for family hobbies. A new bedroom and bath will be necessary, too. She blames her lack of foresight on her preoccupation with that future life on the boat. She's glad now that war motherhood found her under a roof on dry land. Yet had a boat been the object of the McCormacks' leap into ownership, Mrs. McCormack would have taken it in her stride. She'd keep decks varnished, brass polished, and sails fresh against the time when a lieutenant came home to captain his own ship.





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# Yourselves to Blame

for a dreary kitchen. The cure? A bucket of paint  
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The kitchen cupboard is a natural for our colorful vegetable painting motif, which we found also ideally adaptable to the window valance and the spice shelf. To complement the pattern we used a decorative Trimz wall-paper border, easily applied, and most effective for tying the composition together



**L**ook about your workroom, Madam—for after all, if you do your own cooking, as who doesn't these days, that kitchen of yours *is* your workroom, the room where you spend many hours per week in the planning and preparation of meals for your family. It can be a place of inspiration and happiness in your life, or it can be just drab and colorless. And chances are that, being absorbed by many interests, you may have let it go to pot, if you'll pardon the pun. A shining white kitchen is a fine thing, and it should be kept clean and shining, but its sterile whiteness is not a tremendous morale booster just by itself. The food that comes out of it may be good, nutritious and beautiful, but our premise is that you can have a whale of a lot more genuine pleasure preparing it if your kitchen is gay and colorful.

To give you a gentle nudge in this direction, our pattern department got busy and turned some colorful designs into as enchanting a group of painting patterns as you'll find anywhere. We offer them for your perusal and action (we hope!) and modestly mention a few good uses to which they might well be adapted.

**Vegetable Patch:** The specialties of the house are the lush bunches of garden-fresh vegetables which you see in the center of the group opposite, arranged like trophies at the country fair! What finer background for their glowing colors than the plain whiteness of the cupboard doors or the tilting front of the vegetable bin? Fine, too, they would be as a painted, permanent centerpiece to garnish that breakfast table or traced on the wall in that blank space over the kitchen stove. Let gay crisp curtains pick up their colors and even the motif—dish towels or ruffled curtains appliqued with the design will add dash to a kitchen.

To make it easier for you there are also separate tracings of the different vegetables in the group—pungent onions, glistening beets, scarlet radishes, bunches of carrots—which you can scatter at will with a lavish hand wherever you think they are needed. Good grouped on window valance, spice shelf, or chair back.

**Pennsylvania Dutch:** Fetching Pennsylvania Dutch designs are available to decorate the cupboards if you don't relish too much a strictly vegetarian diet. You see them at the top of the left-hand page: Conventionalized tulips, daisies and other designs. These will do the trick on cupboards, valances, and can be used in border designs. If the linoleum in your kitchen is worn, you can give it several coats of good colorful deck paint, then when that's dry, paint your own design to suit your fancy. Combine several of the Pennsylvania Dutch designs with wavy, free-hand lines and decorate your floor as we have shown in sketch at upper left. A couple of coats of spar varnish will give you protection enough. Follow it with wax. Too, if you like, you can use fewer of the designs and follow the same procedure on a smaller scale to cover up a single worn spot such as often occurs in front of the sink or kitchen stove or perhaps in a passageway.

**Menu-Maker Recipe File:** A handy place for your AMERICAN HOME recipes is the menu-box sketched. Our pattern gives you complete instructions and details for constructing one yourself, whether you use wood or cardboard. Here is a ripe field for more small-scale decorations and our painting pattern shows you how to apply the eagle, pepper grinders, bread baskets, spoons and scoops—all authentic designs. The size and shape of the box are especially designed to accommodate AMERICAN HOME recipes.

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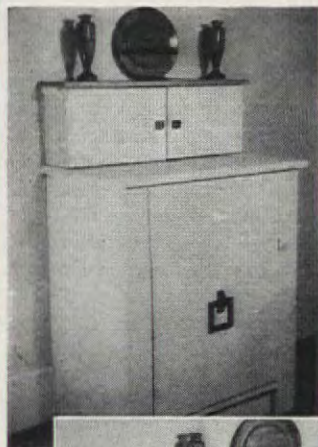
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Telephone-desk unit between door casings gives room for phone paraphernalia. Brightly painted and decorated with gay print cloth, it brings new interest to remodeled hallway



**A bang-up camouflage job! Old sink in kitchen now used as dining room hides beneath modern cabinet built against wall. Faucets at top, sink in middle, water pipes and cupboard space below!**



# Kitchen Handies

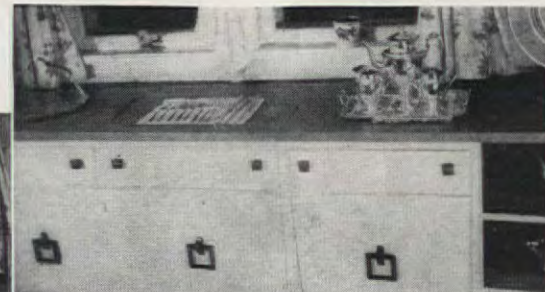
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she traced a shaped outline around the opening of the shelves, cut into the wood with her saw, and soon had a neat scalloped frame for her shelves. A paint job completed the remodeling.

Another reader, **BETTY MCCOWAN** of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, sent in this kitchen success story. Her problem was the former kitchen in her house, a large room, now converted into a much-needed dining room. (A new, small kitchen had been installed in the basement with a dumb-waiter up to the dining room.) How to conceal the plumbing of the former sink, which could not be removed from the new dining room? With considerable ingenuity, reader McCowan designed a cupboard that covered not only the pipes, but the offending sink as well. Small doors in the upper part open out to reveal the taps. Two more doors lift up to expose the sink. In the bottom section is a door that gives access to the actual plumbing. With doors closed the object is a modern cabinet standing against the wall with never an indication that it hides full equipment for washing the dinner dishes! It is as nice a camouflage job as we have ever seen anywhere!

Under the double windows at one end of this same room, there is another neat built-in job. When closed, it is a handsome serving counter. A quick flip of the wrist, however, lifts the center section of the top and reveals a workable two-burner electric stove for preparing sauces and quick snacks. The door below conceals an electric oven! Good looking square handles on the cabinet and serving counter were designed by the daughter of the house and made at the



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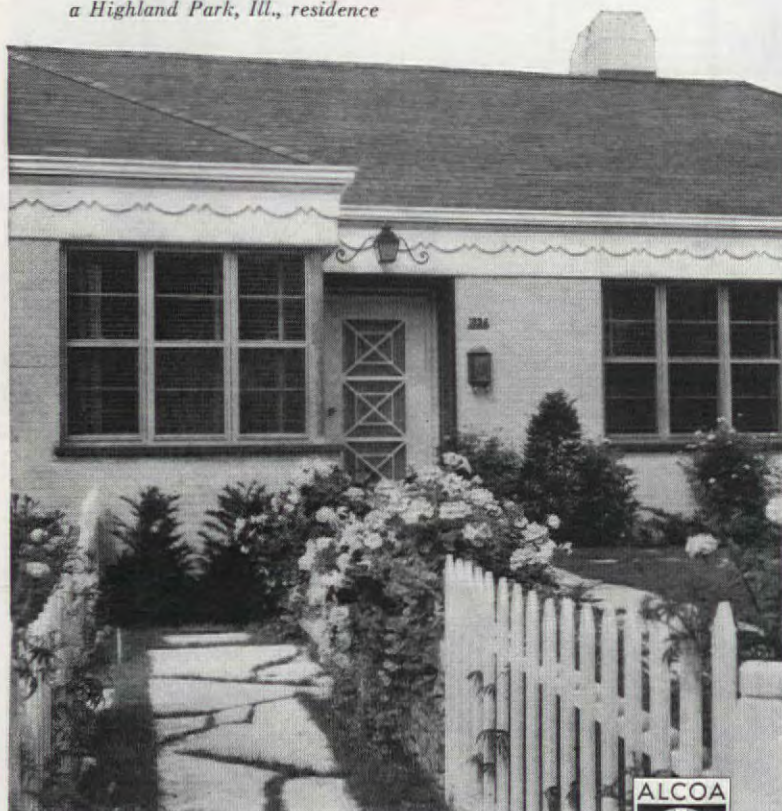
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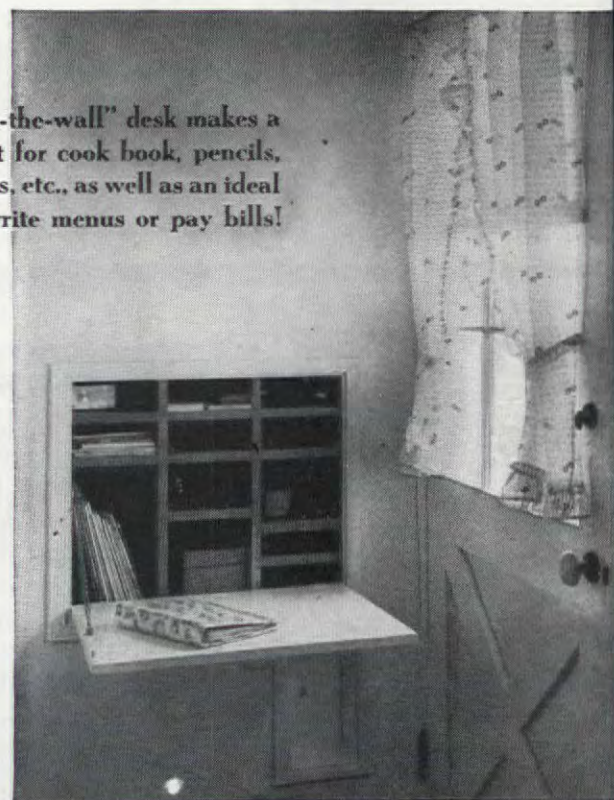
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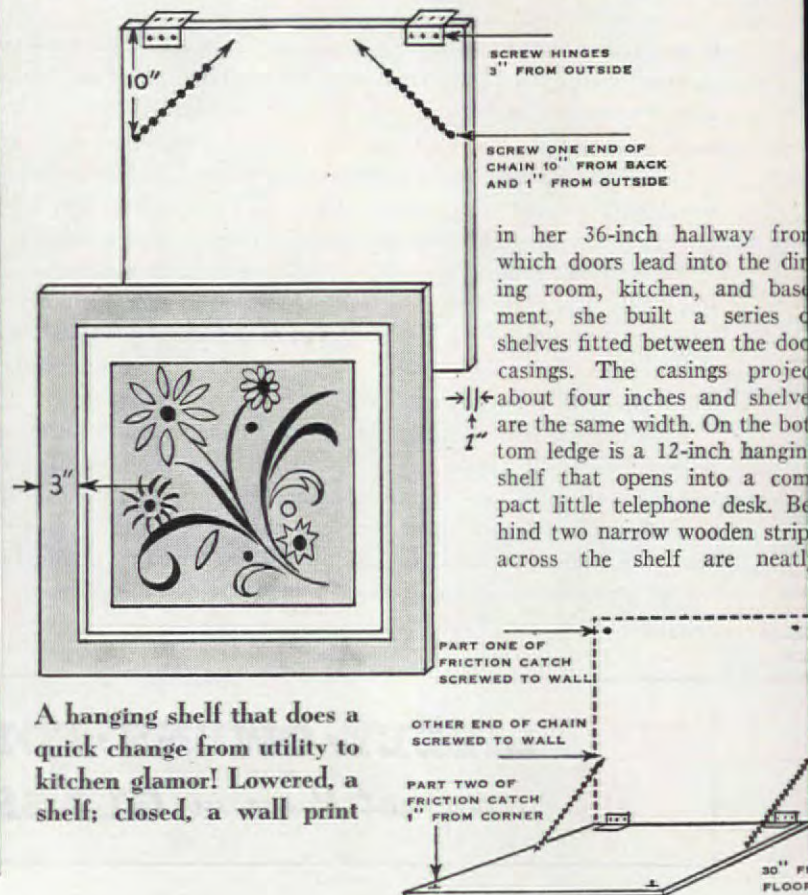
A "hole-in-the-wall" desk makes a handy spot for cook book, pencils, pad, stamps, etc., as well as an ideal place to write menus or pay bills!



Max Tatch photograph from Ethel McCall Home  
In kitchen of Aubrey Lyons' home, San Marino, Calif.

local lumber yard. A serving table made from salmon boxes doubles as a sewing machine cover-up with shelves for extra cupboard space for MRS. R. E. VALENTINE of Suamico, Wis. And speaking of extra cupboard space, NANCY TARWATER of Harri-man, Tenn., solved that never-ending need by installing drop shelves in her kitchen. Only in position when she needs them, they become attractive wall prints when folded back against the wall. Each shelf was made from a piece of wood 20" square 1" wide. One side should be smooth other side can have recessed panel. Give it

two coats of enamel and paste favorite flower print or other decoration to the paneled side. The shelf is chained to the wall as shown in diagram below. Such shelves are a boon when you're setting the table for dinner and your space isn't adequate. If built-in shelves are fitted into the wall space directly behind a hanging shelf, the unit makes a handy writing desk. When MRS. R. S. GRANT of Lombard, Ill., saw our spice compartment idea in the April, 1941, issue she decided to use it as the answer to her telephone problems. On the blank wall space



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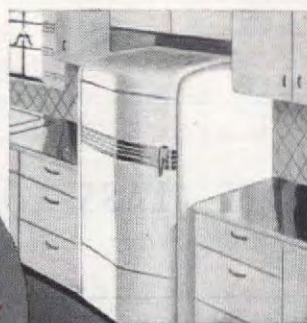


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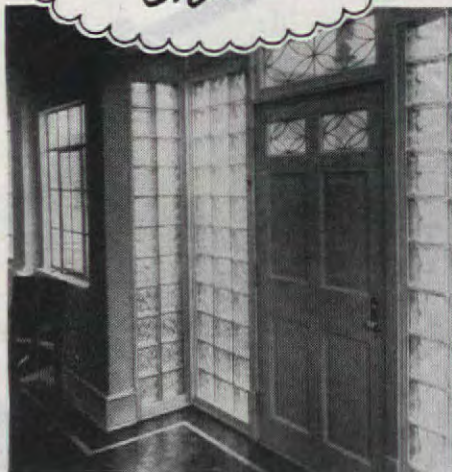
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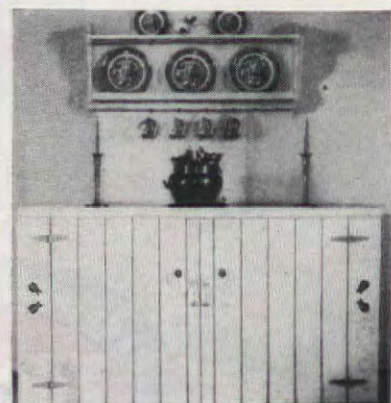
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Old kitchen cupboard remodeled into charming open-shelf chest. Edges are marked off with a rounded plate and scalloped . . . Another camouflage job—this time hiding an old sewing machine!



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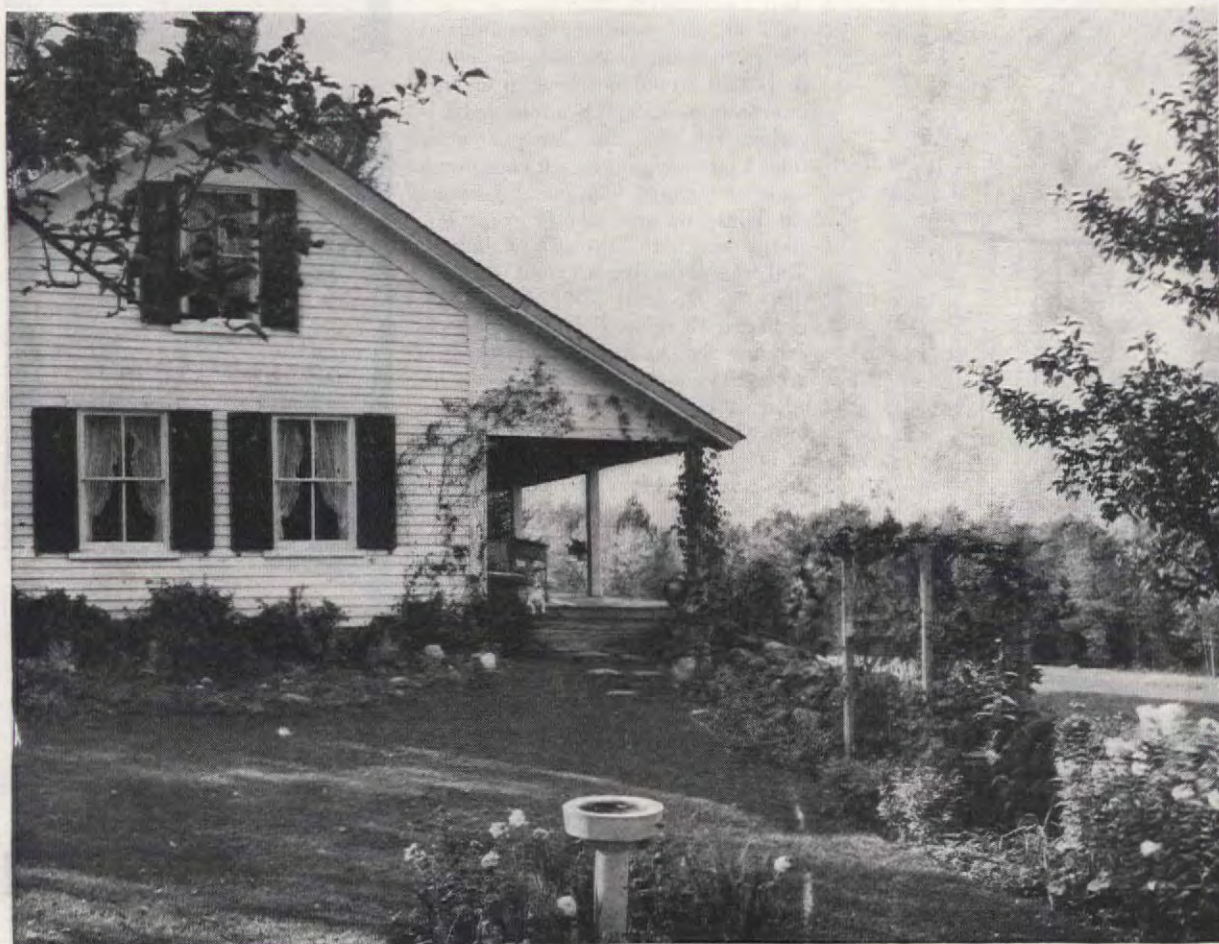
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pairs, requires some serious thinking. Blinded by the enthusiasm that always surrounds the purchase of a home, be it old or new, many are sure to be bitterly disappointed with their secondhand wares. Still, there will be buyers—perhaps led on by the simple need for change, growing families, or the attractions of a better neighborhood. Often old houses can be bought at an attractive price level; they usually have plenty of space and are found in the older, more substantial parts of most towns.

Buying or building a new home has a distinct advantage over an old house, no matter how perfect its condition, because you are covered (or should be) for a period of six months on the performance of the house. Leaks that develop in the roof, plumbing that fails to function, doors that stick are attended to by the contractor or development-builder for the "break-in" period. In buying an old house it is *caveat emptor*—there is no guarantee. In a deed conveying a house and land, it merely states that the house does exist but gives no satisfaction as to its condition.

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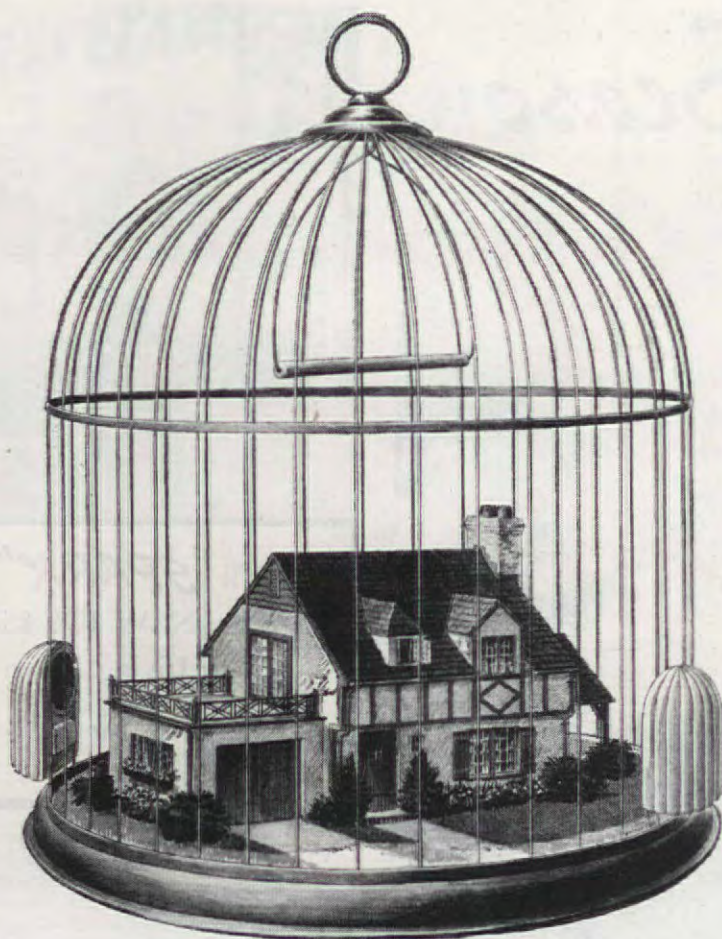
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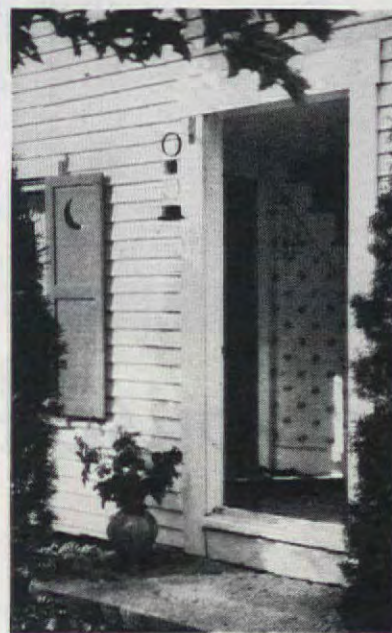


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the article and make your choice, you buy or don't buy. The house for sale is usually represented on no other basis than "as is." The difficulty is that buyers do not examine the property carefully and are not expert in their examination. It would be difficult in the sale of secondhand houses to find a more suitable selling basis that would not lead to endless interpretations, complications and litigation. Put the shoe on your own foot. You may want to sell your house some day, would you guarantee your old house or gratuitously point out all the defects to a prospective buyer? Still the terrifying thought remains that the buyer is saddled with his choice, if there are defects and shortcomings that he has not seen there is no redress since there has been no misrepresentation. The average houseowner buys perhaps one or two houses in his lifetime so that his choice is important and had better be good. The person most at a disadvantage as an old house buyer is the apartment house dweller who has never



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The real estate salesman is naturally anxious to earn his commission; the owner is out to make the sale and to them you are another prospect and nothing else. Imagine that you are standing in the driveway looking at a house for sale, the salesman saying that you are pleased with its lines says, "just a coat of paint and a few repairs and you will have a beautiful home." Take this with a grain of salt. There are few instances where one coat of paint will suffice for an old house. Examine the surface; it will probably take prodigious labor in cleaning the scale and loose paint, nailing down the siding and then an undercoat and a finish coat to give it the good appearance he was talking about. Remember, all house plants are constantly in a state of repair.

As you look around the yard, he says, "lovely grounds, why there is five hundred dollars' worth of planting here alone!" As in golf, keep your eye on the ball. Resist the "Lorelei" sales talk of the realtor and concentrate on the house. You will be living in the house not under a blue spruce. Do not be sold on a feature like a breakfast alcove and find yourself replacing the roof or heating system.

In the house, as you walk from room to room, you see a spot of discolored plaster on the ceiling, and you ask, "does the roof leak?" the answer is, "not to my knowledge." Not very satisfying. You try again and ask, "is the cellar dry?" The answer is again non-committal, "to the best of my knowledge, yes." To come to the defense of the salesman the answers he gives you are probably the truth because he doesn't know. How could he? He naturally doesn't live in every house he sells. This brings us back to *caveat emptor*, "let the buyer beware"—it is up to you to find out.

Prospects usually go hunting houses on bright sunny days when nature lends her smiling approval. Sunlight and shadow play around the house spreading a charm and stability to the scene. This is a great mistake. The time to look at a house is during or after a rainstorm when you can see for yourself whether the water stays outside the roof, walls, and cellar. It is not always possible to do this but the next best thing is to look for the signs that water has been present. Stains on the concrete floor, discolored or crumbling plaster are indications but, of course, there is no substitute for seeing the actual thing.

When you go house hunting take along a flashlight and a penknife. There are dozens of things you can detect by just using your eyes and hands with no special technical knowledge. While in a room rattle the windows to see if they are tight and look for weather stripping. Try the doors. Stand in the middle of a room on your toes and let your full weight come down on your heels, it will jar the floor and if there is excessive vibration you can be sure the dishes will rattle as you cross the floor.



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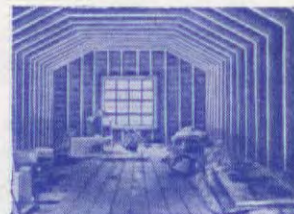
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You are told, "this house is a steal, a giveaway, a bargain!" But is it? The sum total of your impressions good and bad should give you your decision. There is one important principle that should be uppermost in your mind, or else you will be lost in wishful thinking. The *real* cost of an old house is the buying price plus the "repair bill" to put it into shape to satisfy your standard of living.

Like the paradox, "the best way to design a house is to live in it first," the best way to buy a house is to live in it first. It is sometimes possible to rent with an option to buy after a period of time.

If you don't feel confident in your own diagnosis, by all means invite a contractor to go over the house with you and give you an approximate "repair bill." If a house has not been lived in and on the market for some time there may be some potent hidden reason why this is so, a good reason, perhaps, to keep you from buying it. In house hunting you owe it to your pocketbook to find out as much as you can about a house and if you should find yourself getting overly enthusiastic about one, just repeat the phrase *caveat emptor*—then go out and look some more!

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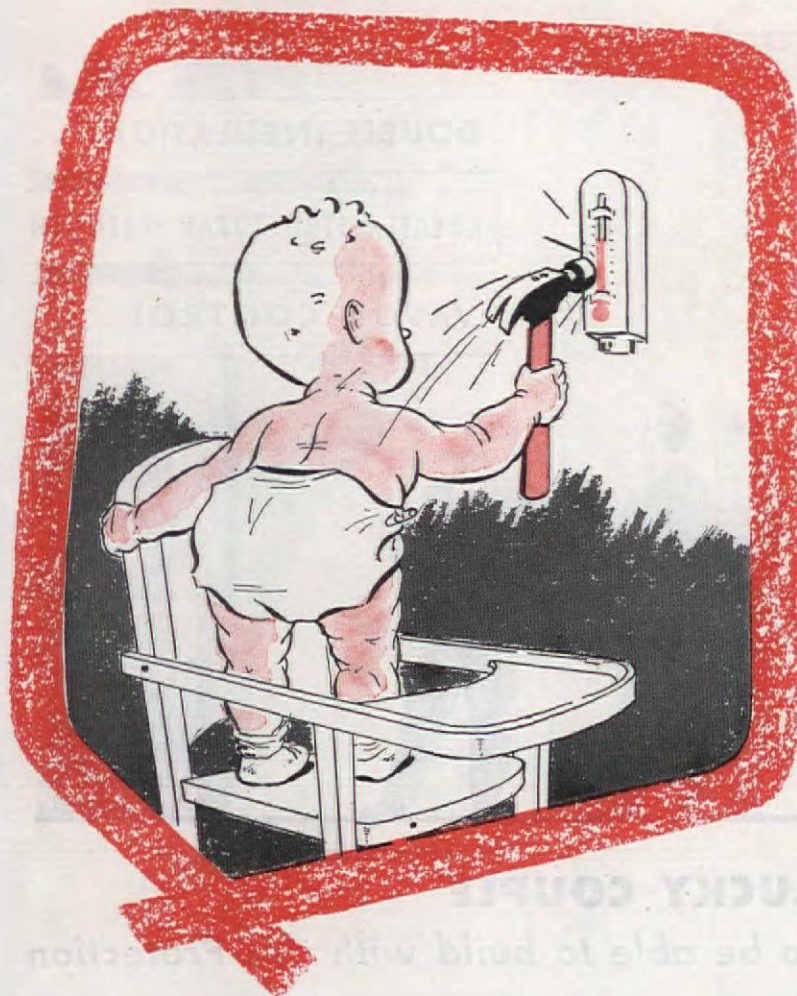
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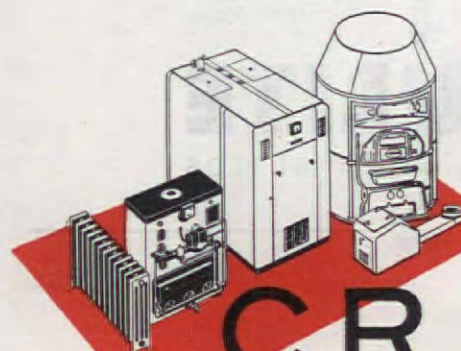


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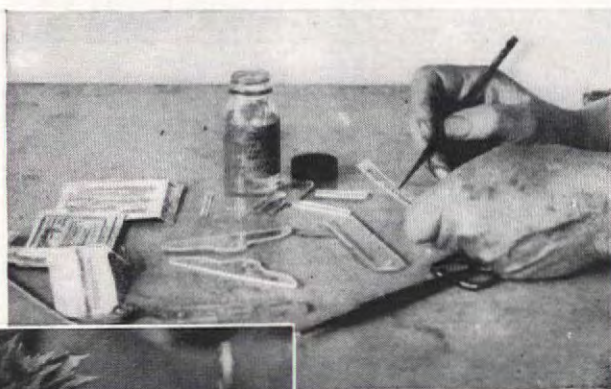
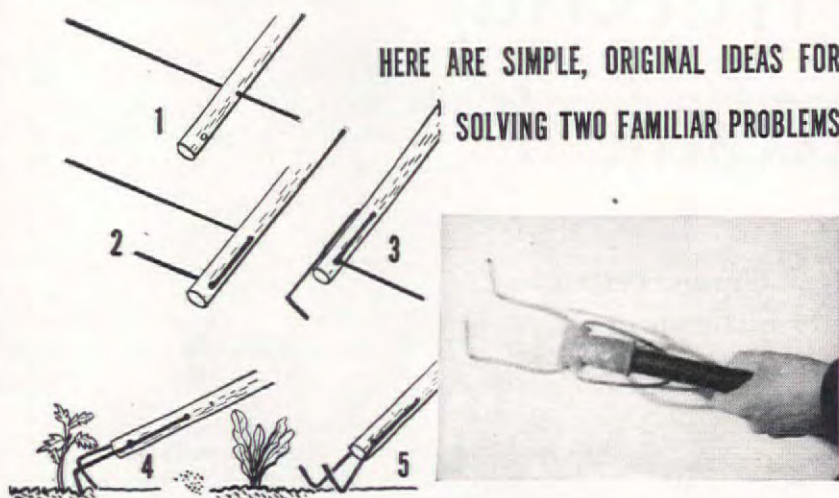
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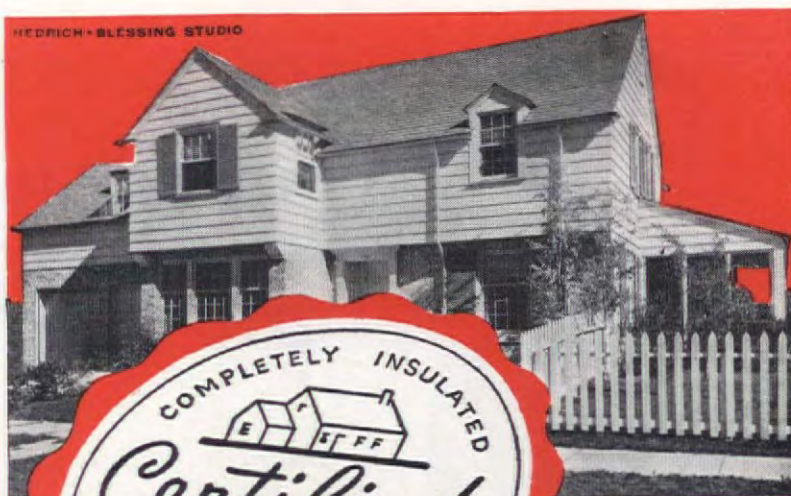
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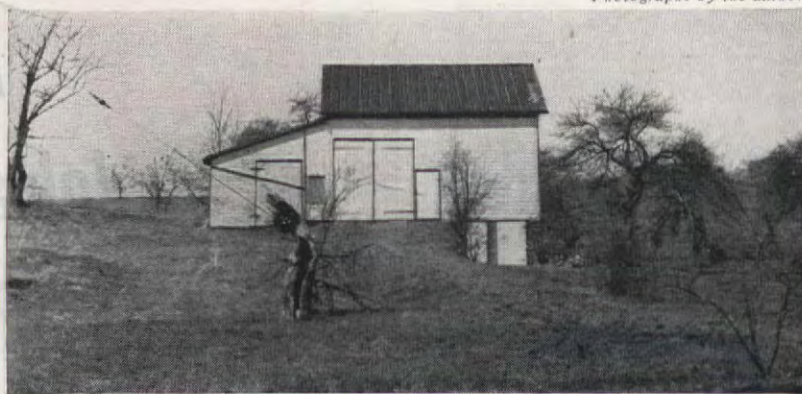




# Garden Making on a Hillside!

**David W. Dumser, of New Jersey, Tells the  
Story of a Terrace Transformation  
That Took Only Two Years to Accomplish**

*Photographs by the author*



The old barn looked like this the spring before we started work on it



The next spring, with the barn remodeled, I began the garden making



By the second winter, the transformed, terraced hillside looked like this

As every gardener knows, gardening on a hillside is complicated by either or both of two problems. One is the tendency of the soil to wash or erode as a result of heavy rains; the other is the tendency of that same soil to dry out because the moisture has run off or sunk deep into the bank. The job of garden making recorded in these pictures, which (together with a little remodeling) I accomplished in something over two years, with only a few hours of additional man labor, solved both those problems. For the result was a series of level planted areas instead of a continuous slope. Not only are they proof against washing, but they also retain a supply of moisture where the plants can get it. A visitor who was born and raised in Switzerland remarked recently that the garden made him homesick because it reminded him of the way gardens and plantings are frequently terraced in Alpine regions.

First of all, I tackled the old hay barn that stood on the knoll behind our house. It was strongly built with a frame of hand-hewn timbers, and in good condition, so after removing the entire lean-to buggy shed at the left I took off the old shingles, the tar paper roofing, and about eighty percent of the matched board siding, handling the latter material carefully so I could replace it later. Next, by using jack screws and cutting away the supporting posts, I (with the help of another man) lowered the whole roof five feet,



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then reassembled the structure, installing the new doors and windows, putting on a new roof covering, and giving the building a coat of paint. Thus I turned it into a studio above, and a garage below, and provided further reason for developing an appropriate garden setting. Spread over the first year, this part of the work required about sixty man hours for the dismantling and a total of some 220 man hours for lowering the roof and getting the building in shape for painting.

The following spring, I started on the terraces which, as completed, rise twelve feet four inches vertically from the lowest point. Cutting into the curving face of the slope, I first laid the brick walk, 120 feet long and six bricks (a little over two feet) wide. Behind it, I built a sixteen-inch high brick wall, using no mortar but carefully overlapping the joints. Above this, I leveled off the first bed, nine feet wide. Then came a second brick wall, eighteen inches high this time; and above it, a second bed, nine and a half feet wide. Both walls and beds, like the path, are 120 feet long, and at this stage I had used about 8,000 bricks which cost me one cent each.

As there is plenty of stone on the land, I made the next three retaining walls of boulders. Each was eighty feet long (owing to the narrowing of the hillside), the top one being forty inches high and the other two, thirty inches. All the beds were carefully graded one and a half inches

higher in front than at the rear to prevent the soil washing over, and given a slope of one inch in five feet from right to left to permit excess water to drain away slowly and gently without exposing the plant roots.

All this was done between April 2 and May 19 of the second year, when I was ready to start planting the terraces and the surrounding area. This work continued at intervals throughout the summer and into the following winter when the upper two terraces were planted with ninety grape vines and the third from the top with raspberry bushes. The bed next to the bottom was given over to perennials, and the lowest of all is reserved for annuals with which I can work out different color schemes each year.

The picture below shows the terraces a couple of years later when the growth had fully developed, but does not, of course, suggest the brilliant display presented by the two flower beds. Here, at one time, some 14,000 pansy blossoms made a strikingly beautiful sight that was enjoyed and admired by many visitors.

And now that the major construction work and the development of the setting of the house are completed, I am working on the extension of my vegetable garden as a permanent feature of the home grounds. I am hoping to make it a "model" garden, notwithstanding the fact that this is going to involve the removal of an estimated twenty-three tons of stones of all sizes from a space about thirty-five by one hundred and ten feet!



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Some of the favorite pieces from her milk-white glass service for 16 fills the Chippendale cabinet, 1790. Upper section top to the bottom—Square S, Pin-Wheel, One-a-one, Fan and Circle, Square Fan and Circle. Bottom section holds bowls and cake plates of Fan and Circle. Daughter Edith shares her mother's avid interest in the history of each piece

**M**Y HOBBY of collecting antiques began almost simultaneously with my marriage—and, like Topsy, “just grew” from there. My husband and I started housekeeping with anything we could tease away from our families. We wanted to begin our married life with bits of furnishing and adornments that had been in the families for years so that our new home would seem familiar to us and not too new. To fill in we soon began “antiquing,” a delightful diversion that has lasted all our married life, and has given us a wealth of adventures and new friends from our “hunting trips.” These friendships and the amusing or exciting incidents that brought them about are as dearly cherished today as are the antiques themselves. For instance, on one trip we saw a little white house up on a hill with a sign in front marked “Antiques for Sale.” “Next time we are here, we must stop,” we said. But months later when we returned we were unable to find the house with the sign. The third time we drove that way, however, we were in luck. There was the little white house with its remembered sign—and we stopped. A gentle, little old white-haired lady welcomed us in and invited us to sit down. We talked about everything *except* antiques. Finally we said, “We saw your sign and thought you had some antiques for sale.” “No,” said the little old lady, “I haven’t a thing for sale, but some days I get lonesome so I hang out my sign and someone nice always stops and I do enjoy talking to them.” From that day on whenever we passed that way, we always stopped to see our “lonely little lady,” as we called her, and the friendship she gave us until the day she died is more deeply cherished than any antique we ever found.

The first colored glass I ever saw was a square emerald green “Herringbone” sauce dish out of which a cat was lapping up milk on the back porch of the village dressmaker in Northern Michigan where we have a summer home. It had been brought there with the family’s household goods on a sailing vessel when they moved from Sheboygan, Michigan. A man with a horse and buggy had been around selling baking powder and had given the green glass as premiums. I found more in her pantry and under the stairs, so we made a trade. That began my hunt for a full set of green glass. Today I have enough to set a table for sixteen. That fall, while in Philadelphia, I was told of a family who wished to part with some of their nice old things because they were moving away. From them I purchased eight Chinese plates with a center of soft orange and a border of emerald green exactly matching my green glass. These the family had received, with other china pieces, from China as ballast in their grandfather’s sailing vessel in 1800. So I reduced that family’s moving load by bringing the plates home to join my green glass family. At Christmas time the combination of the china and green glass makes a lovely Yuletide table setting. To display my ware to full advantage, I use a pale green cloth with an evergreen wreath in the middle of the table, centered with a tall red candle. Small bright red apples are tucked among the evergreen and red candies glisten from the green glass compotes. For dinner plates, I use a cream plate with a border of green leaves; for dessert, I use square emerald green glass Herringbone plates.

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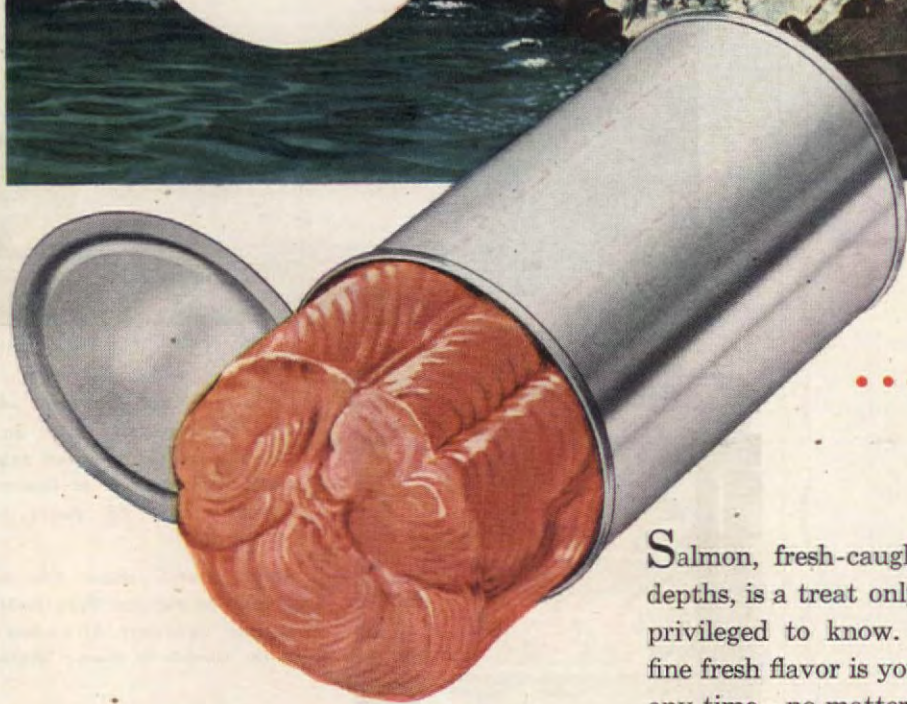
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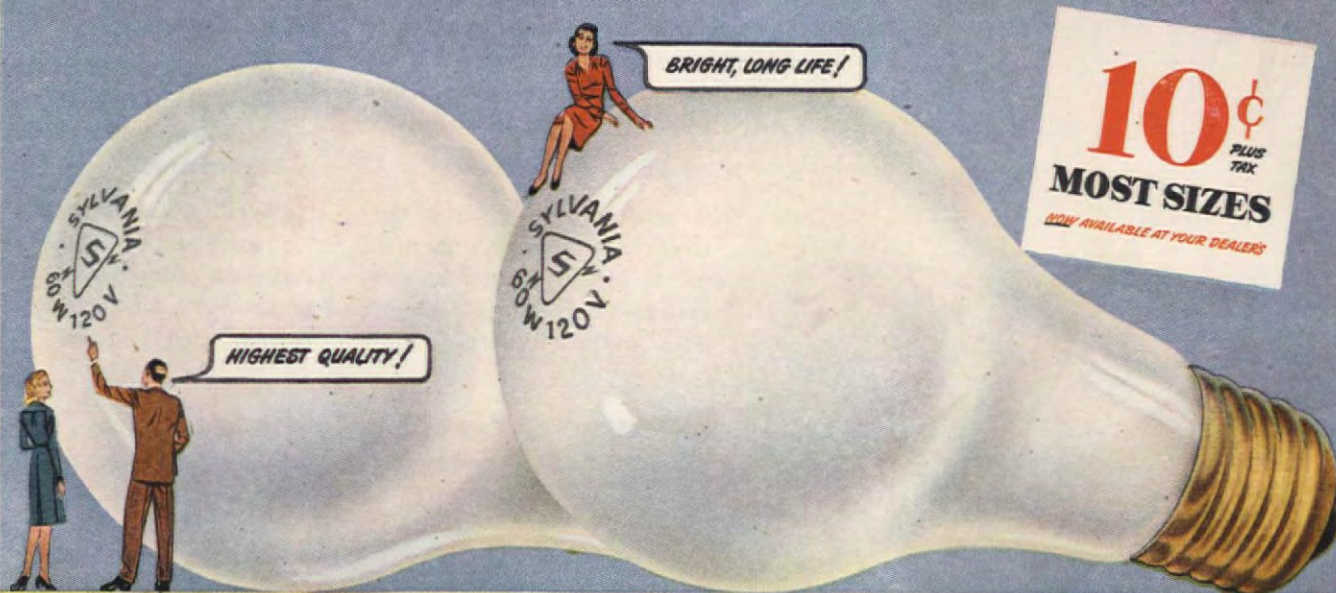
Gaudy Dutch china fills top  
shelves of antique Hepplewhite  
corner cabinet; Strawberry  
china shown in lower shelves



Milk-white glass I loved from  
the moment I first saw it. It was  
easy to imagine how dainty and  
pretty it would look on pale lavender,  
soft blue, peach or pale green  
mats with summer bouquets of  
pastel and white flowers for a centerpiece.  
After years of watching and waiting,  
and looking for choice pieces of milk-white  
glass, I now have a table service for twenty  
in this, including centerpiece. The  
milk glass has the crossed fern design  
and includes service, dinner  
and dessert plates, goblets, shells,  
egg cups, oval platters, and  
candlesticks. I find milk glass does  
not show up well on white, so I  
have collected an assortment of  
pastel mats to give it the background it  
deserves. Some I made out of old but  
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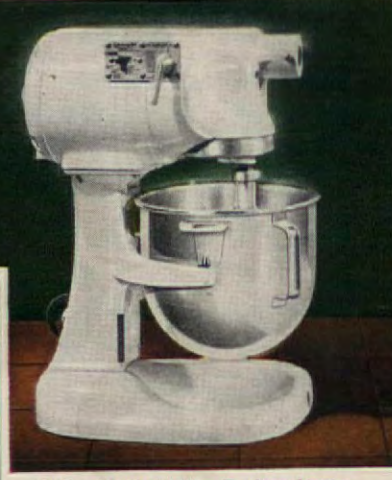
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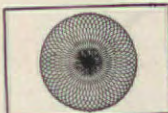
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Sheraton hanging shelf above Queen Anne table and Chippendale ladder-backed, saddle-seated chairs is 155 years old. Chinese porcelain tea caddy (center of table), handleless cups, and saucers were all made before 1800

dragons for a centerpiece, a table laid with milk glass makes a charming and attractive picture indeed.

In "antique-hunting," and reading books dealing with antiques, I have gleaned many interesting bits of information. After my first encounter with milk-white glass, I learned that this glass is a product common to many European countries. Probably the best was made in Bristol, England, in the early 19th century. In 1838, the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company paid Rice Harris \$5000 to come from England for six months to teach them the process of making milk-white glass. It was not made in large quantities until 1860 to 1870. Knowing these facts adds enormously to the appreciation of my lovely milk-glass.

It was in Pennsylvania that I found my first Dutch china. My husband and I were in a small antique shop in Philadelphia when a young woman came in, told us she too sold antiques and asked us to stop in. After she left, the shop owner told us that the young woman always did that whenever she was passing and saw an automobile with an out-of-state license parked outside. We were glad she used her method of advertising on us, for when we stopped to see her, we found she had fourteen large pine cupboards full of gaudy Dutch china. There were



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ten different patterns, all with fascinating names such as "The Oyster," "Indian War Bonnet," "The Dove," "The Urn," etc. We learned that the china probably came into Philadelphia from England and was distributed from the counties of Bucks, Lehigh, Berks, Lancaster, and Dauphin where most of it was originally found. One piece bore the mark of "Riley," who had a pottery in Burslem, England, from 1785 to 1815. Needless to say we bought pieces from each of the patterns, and we now have a plate, cup and saucer of each of the ten patterns, and a tea pot, cream pitcher and sugar bowl of the "Early Carnation" pattern. The cups have no handles. They are favorites in my collection of 100 handleless cups and saucers.

I was still something of a novice in "antiquing" when Strawberry china came into my life about twenty years ago in Newport, R. I. At the time I was visiting a friend's mother in that city. In my hostess's dining room was a cupboard full of Strawberry pattern china made by Enoch Wood and Sons, in Burslem, England, from 1784 to 1825. It was so lovely and rare that I could scarcely keep my eyes off it during my visit. When I left, I bade it a fond and reluctant farewell, promising myself that someday—somehow—I would own a similar set. That night when I arrived at the hotel where I was staying in Boston, I discovered something that kept me awake half the night. Right in the shop next to our hotel was another set of Strawberry china! I wanted to sit on the doorstep all night and wait for the shop to open. Finally, however, I decided on setting the alarm clock for an early rising instead. I spent a restless night, but the next morning was on hand to help the owner open up her shop, and the enchanting Strawberry china has been mine to enjoy ever since. There were only four handleless cups and saucers in the set, but in the following years it has been thrilling to find, one at a time, other cups and saucers to match until now there are a dozen. After having managed that, nothing seems impossible.

There must be some special Goddess of Luck who takes care of antique fans around Boston, because it was during my stay there that I had another stroke of pure luck. Driving from Boston to Lexington one morning, my husband and I passed a beautiful old home where an auction was in progress. There was a huge tent set up and crowds of people had gathered. We stopped, planning to spend an hour or so and then continue on our way. One look at the marvelous display of objects set up for auction changed our minds. We stayed all day and ate our lunch, provided by the auctioneer, under the trees. A fine old Queen Anne table, a hanging shelf and a number of beautiful old hooked rugs became mine as rich rewards of the day—together with several delightful new friendships and fascinating stories of what went on at the auction.

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they are worth while. As some eminent physician has said: A hobby of any type not only gives life a richer meaning but increases that valuable possession—self-sufficiency. It prevents leisure from being a vacuum and is a change from work to diversion." But as I look around me at my home filled with the rewards of long years spent in antiquing, I am eternally grateful that my particular hobby-bent was in the direction of antiquing.

From my love of antiques, I have added immeasurable grace, charm, and pleasure to my everyday surroundings. I have learned to know and value rare old bits of lovely workmanship, and each article I have has some beloved memory behind it.

In every room of my house are the spoils of my labor—for although it was great fun, it was also work. I never bought haphazardly. I looked or waited (sometimes for years) until just the piece I wanted came my way.

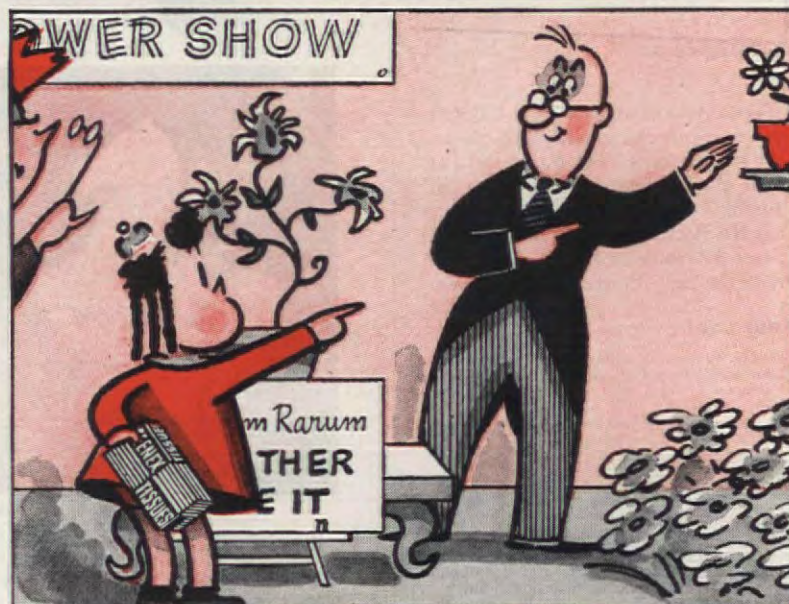
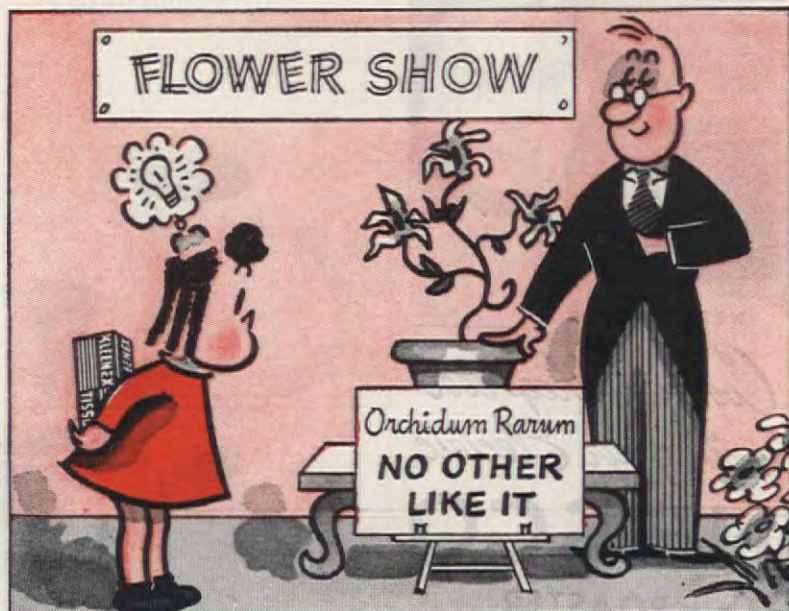
My living room houses the decorative hanging shelf and the walnut Queen Anne table from the Massachusetts' auction. The shelf is filled with my most prized collection of handleless cups and saucers. On the top ledge I have Chinese ones made in 1785 and 1790, and several Chelsea pieces dating from 1763. On the middle ledge there is an arrangement of Salopian (1780), Silver Resist (1800), and Leeds (1790). Those on the bottom shelf are from Cozzi, Italy (1770), Worcester (1790), and Meissen (1790). The Queen Anne table dates from 1770. To set it off properly, I chose Chippendale ladder-backed, saddle-seated chairs made about 5 years later. In the center of the table is a porcelain Chinese tea caddy with rouge-de-fer decorations, made in the last quarter of the 18th century. Around the tea caddy are more handleless cups and saucers, all made before 1800. At that time (my reference books tell me) tea was poured in the deep saucer and sipped out of it while the cup rested on a cup plate made for that purpose. Among the scores of antiques in my own room is a cherry desk (1770) from Connecticut. The cherry desk chair is a hoof-foot English Windsor, made in 1765. Other of my favorite pieces in this room are: a Salem rocker with stenciled top, made in 1800 and found in an old home in Salem, Mass.; two dogs that are called "Comforters," and were copied in England from a Victorian pet dog, and an old hooked rug with a black anchor hooked among roses and morning-glories, found in Marblehead.

I enjoy my antiques all the more because they were not always easy to find. Many of them represent long wonderful hours of "hunting trips" made especially for them. With every piece my husband and I brought into the house, came a happy, though sometimes weary, smile of pride and end-of-the-quest accomplishment.

I have always thought it was a pretty true old proverb that says: "Seek till ye find and ye'll not lose thy labour." Now I am sure of it.

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4 tbsp. catsup or tomato soup  
1 cup dry bread or cracker crumbs  
(Mix and pack in greased loaf tin)

## Vegetable

String fresh beans, break in small pieces. Place in small covered inset pan, add ½ cup water, 1 tsp. salt, and pork chop bones to flavor.  
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Summer drinks become special served in hand made terra cotta mugs from Stein Importing Co., above left. Hedi Schoop makes gay peasant figures to deck with flowers

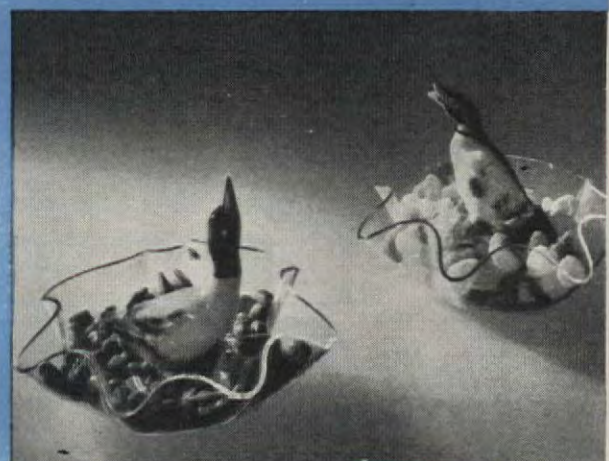


Brass-bound amber glass pieces, wood handles; nice garnishment for summer tables. Patiware

Sparkle your table with these two gamecocks from Viking. Crystal clear and cool as carved ice

Summer-white compote gone giddy with fruit, perky plaid bow. Westmoreland. Lucite candy dishes from Mayfair Gifts, amusing Fulper ducks

F. M. Demarest





A TISKET... A TASKET...

# A Chicken Picnic Basket

FRIED CHICKEN

POTATO CHIPS

SALAD—MAYONNAISE

LOOK! Wonderful eating, finger-tip fashion! Here's perfection in foods, thanks to pure, golden Mazola. This fine oil, pressed from the hearts of ripe corn kernels, fries foods that taste as good as they look. Mazola also makes zesty fresh salad dressings—so many good things! At all grocers.

## CRISPY CHICKEN

To serve 8; Disjoint 2 frying-size chickens,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 lbs. each. Mix: 2 cups flour, 2 tsp. salt,  $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. pepper. Pour  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups milk into another dish. Dip chicken in milk, then flour. Pour Mazola into a heavy skillet or chicken fryer to a depth of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Heat slowly until the first piece of chicken "sizzles" when you put it in. Place heavy pieces first; do not crowd pan. Fry chicken gently until golden on each side, turning once. Cover pan and fry at reduced heat 40 min. until tender. For a "crisp" crust, uncover for last 10 min.

## POTATO CHIPS

To serve 8. Slice 6 medium unpeeled potatoes "paper-thin". Soak in ice water one hour. Pour Mazola into a deep, heavy pan to a depth of 3 to 4 in. Pan should not be more than half filled. Heat slowly to  $375^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Dry potato slices. Place a few slices at a time in frying

basket. Lower each basketful into hot fat, and fry until light brown, about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  minutes, shaking basket continually. Drain on paper towels immediately.

## M-m-m MAYONNAISE

2 egg yolks	$\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. paprika
2 tsp. salt	2 tsp. dry mustard
2 tsp. sugar	4 tbsp. vinegar or
Dash cayenne or	6 tbsp. lemon juice
$\frac{1}{8}$ tsp. pepper	2 cups Mazola

Combine egg yolks, dry ingredients, and 1 tbsp. of vinegar in bowl. Beat until light and thick. Add 1 cup of oil, 1 tbsp. at a time, beating each time only until the oil disappears. Then alternately beat in 1 tbsp. vinegar and  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup oil until all oil and vinegar have been added.



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# "My cook leads a double life!"

"Sometimes she cooks... and sometimes she serves Derby Foods! Bridget cuts down on her kitchen time (and cuts up with Officer O'Toole)! We don't mind because we love her tasty Derby dinners and eat every luscious morsel. Another thing, ready-to-serve Derby Foods save fuel as well as food. No cooking—no waste—all wonderful eating! So important today when we mustn't waste a bite of precious meat!"



**Meaty Tamales with Sauce.** Puncture cap, stand jar upright in pan half filled with water, bring to boil and simmer for ten minutes. Pour into serving dish, discard wrappers; split Tamales lengthwise and spoon sauce over each half.

**Pig's Foot Tid-Bits in mild vinegar.** Each boneless Tid-Bit is a pink-and-white morsel of savory goodness... expertly cured and cooked... mildly flavored with choice spices! Every bit is deliciously edible!



**Chicken with Egg Noodles.** Savory chicken cubes—both white and dark meat—are added to perfection-cooked golden egg noodles, and then permeated with rich chicken broth to make this coming Derby dish a real luncheon or dinner delight!



Chili Con Carne • Lambs' Tongues • Ox Tongue • Pigs Feet • Sausage • Frankfurters Tid Bits • Spaghetti with Meat and Sauce • Lunch Tongue • Egg Noodles and Chicken Dried Beef • Chicken Broth • Chicken • Tamales • Chicken à la King • Corned Beef Hash

# Make It Enchantingly Lovely!

And many things you can make yourself to brighten up that down-at-the-heels impression. For instance, take these painted table mats with tumblers to match—they'd add distinction to any summer party! You can make them just as dainty and lovely—at surprising little cost, too, and with no previous training! Our Pattern A-744 tells how; it contains tracings of all the flower motifs in the three sets illustrated below plus complete directions for painting on glass and fabric



AMERICAN HOME PATTERN A-744—15c

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# "Good-Luck" Secrets for your Pickling



## Do—

... make certain that jars, rubbers, lids are in perfect condition. Examine tops of jars and lids to be sure there are no nicks, cracks, sharp edges, etc. Wash jars, new rubber rings and lids thoroughly clean in hot soapy water. Rinse well.



## Don't—

... put away filled jars for at least twenty-four hours. Set jars on several thicknesses of paper. Cool away from draft. Test to be sure that seals are tight. Contents of jars that are not properly sealed may be reprocessed or should be used right away . . . Store pickles in a place that is cool, dry, *dark*.

## Do—

... use best possible pickling vinegar—Heinz Distilled White Vinegar—full-strength. This delightfully aromatic, clear and sparkling Heinz Vinegar has been the choice of expert cooks for generations because it is always uniform in strength, delicious in flavor. . . . Too weak vinegar will allow pickles to soften, spoil. Vinegar that is overly strong causes alterations in taste.



## Don't—

... put off till tomorrow the canning that should be done today. Never attempt to use partially spoiled, wilted or blemished fruits or vegetables for pickling. Perhaps you can salvage some of them for immediate use! If pickled or canned they will not keep.

## *Safeguard Your Canning with...* **HEINZ VINEGAR**

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| <b>1</b> The same vinegar used in Heinz own pickling | <b>3</b> Good, full flavor, yet mellow because it's aged in wood |
| <b>2</b> Best for either hot or cold packing         | <b>4</b> Available in bottles and gallon jugs                    |



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# MAKE IT *Easy*

Julia Bliss Joyner

## Part III. Beverages and Desserts

**W**E make it easy; you take it easy. That's our summer food slogan. We hope that your application of our plans in that direction has breezed you through the two months preceding this, and that it may keep you sailing along until fall. There is no reason why its basic principles should not work as effectively and easily in January as they do in July, and through all the intervals between.

This month brings us to the third and last whirl of our make-it-easy food merry-go-round, drinks, and desserts. Cold or hot, they have a place in the menu and will fortify you against the frazzle and dazzle of these sweltering days.

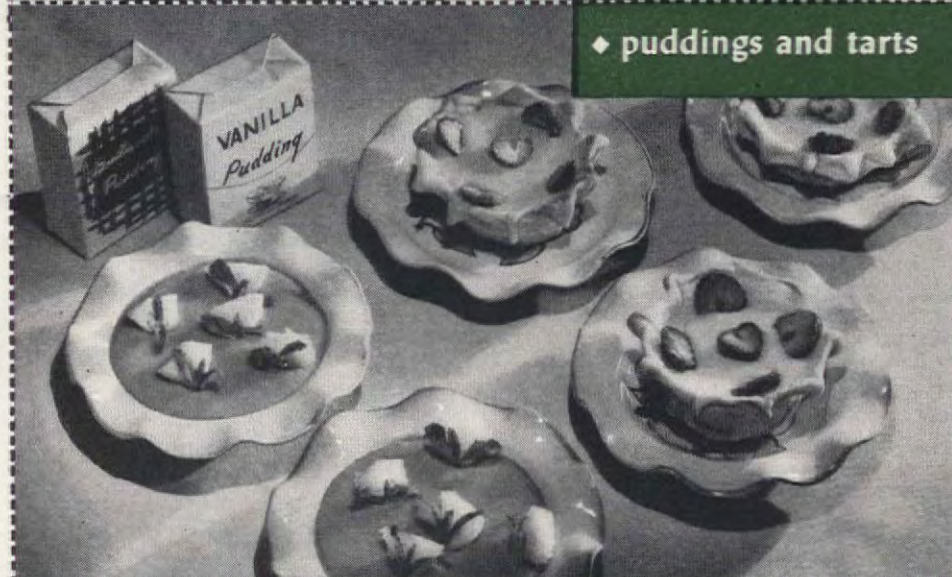
There is a wide choice of drinks and they are as quick and easy to make as a few turns of the wrist and one turn of the refrigerator door. Fruit drinks, particularly orangeade, lemonade, limeade—these are all mother's aids in keeping her children well and happy in summer. These fruits are



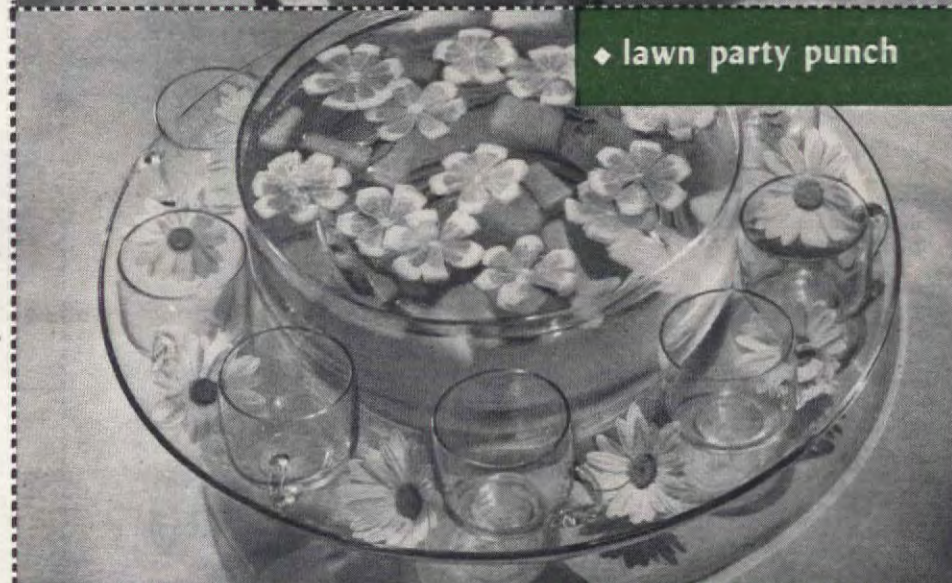
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♦ coffee coolers



♦ puddings and tarts



♦ lawn party punch



♦ varying ice cream



## ◆ coffee coolers

**Coffee syrup:** Add 1 cup sugar to 3 cups boiling water and bring to a boil. Remove from heat. Add 2 cups ground coffee, stir well, cover and let stand 15 minutes. Place 2 thicknesses of wet cheesecloth in a strainer and pour in coffee mixture. Let drip without stirring until grounds are dry. Store syrup in covered jar in refrigerator. Stir before using. Makes 2 cups coffee syrup. For a coffee drink add 2 tbs. of the syrup to 1 cup cold milk. Top with whipped light cream or ice cream and sprinkle with cinnamon.

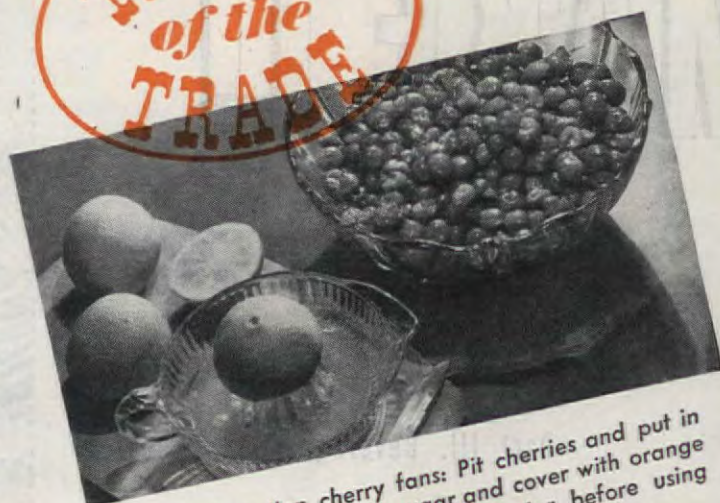
**Coffee eggnog:** Separate 1 egg. Beat the yolk and stir 3 tbs. of the coffee syrup into it. When well blended, stir in  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups cold milk. Beat egg white until stiff and fold into the coffee mixture. Pour into two glasses and serve. Makes 2 servings.

**Frosted mocha:** Combine 1 cup cold cocoa or chocolate milk with 2 tbs. coffee syrup. Add a small serving of vanilla or chocolate ice cream and whip thoroughly.

**To make iced coffee:** Pour hot double strength coffee into a glass filled with ice. (Make double strength coffee by using the regular amount of coffee and half the usual amount of water.) Or pour pre-cooled coffee over ice.

Pottery courtesy, Stein Importing Co.

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**Attention cherry fans:** Pit cherries and put in serving bowl. Sprinkle with sugar and cover with orange juice. Chill several hours in refrigerator before using.

## ◆ puddings and tarts

**Vanilla pudding:** 1. Prepare vanilla pudding as directed on package. Cool and fold in 1 cup of fresh or canned berries. Pour into baked tart shells. Garnish with berries.

2. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. grated lemon rind to pudding. Cool. Place fresh or canned peach, pear or apricot half in sherbet glass, fill to top with cooled pudding mixture. Chill and serve plain or sprinkled with chopped nuts or shredded coconut.

3. Spread cooked rice in a shallow refrigerator dish, sprinkle with cubes of currant or mint jelly. Chill. Pour cooled pudding over rice and jelly. Chill well before serving.

**Chocolate pudding:** 1. Prepare chocolate pudding as directed on the package. Cool. Crush peppermint stick candy (about  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup). Fold crushed candy into cooled pudding; spoon into sherbet glasses and chill. Serve with a meringue topping or a swirl of marshmallow whip.

2. Combine chocolate and vanilla pudding. Prepare each pudding as directed on the package. Spoon them in separate layers into sherbet glasses.

**Butterscotch pudding:** Prepare butterscotch pudding as directed on the package. Garnish with a sprinkling of chopped peanuts, graham cracker or vanilla wafer crumbs, slices of pineapple and sprigs of mint, or triangles of cinnamon toast.

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**Serve berries with berry sauce:** Wash or crush berries and sweeten with corn syrup and sugar. Chill and serve with the whole berries instead of cream and sugar.

## ◆ lawn party punch

Preparation time:  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour

2 cups hot, strong tea  
1 small bunch fresh mint  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup lime juice  
1 cup orange juice  
2 cups light corn syrup

Dash of salt  
3 cups unsweetened grape juice  
4 qts. sparkling water  
Orange and lemon slices

**COMBINE** tea, mint, lime juice, orange juice, corn syrup and salt. Let stand until cool; strain and chill. Add grape juice. Pour over ice in punch bowl. Just before serving add the sparkling water. Garnish with orange and lemon slices.

Makes 50 punch cup servings

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**Melba Tarts:** Cut rolled-out pastry in six-inch squares. Put peach halves filled with raspberries in centers. Fold over pastry, press edges together and bake.

## ◆ varying ice cream

**Varying ice cream mix:** Prepare ice cream mix according to the directions on the package. Serve in its natural flavor or use one of the following variations: For the liquid indicated on the package substitute root beer, cola type beverage, ginger ale, cold coffee, equal parts orange juice and water and 1 tsp. grated orange rind or equal parts apple juice and water.

Prepare ice cream mix according to the directions on the package. After the second beating (when mixture has doubled its volume) fold in one of the following variations:  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup toasted shredded coconut,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup crushed vanilla wafer crumbs,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup crushed chocolate bits,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chocolate malted milk,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup crushed peppermint stick candy or  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup crushed peaches or fresh berries.

**Serving homemade or commercial ice cream:** Give a choice of sundae sauces. Put crushed berries, sliced peaches mixed with raspberries, and chocolate or maple nut syrup in individual dishes on a platter and serve with ice cream.

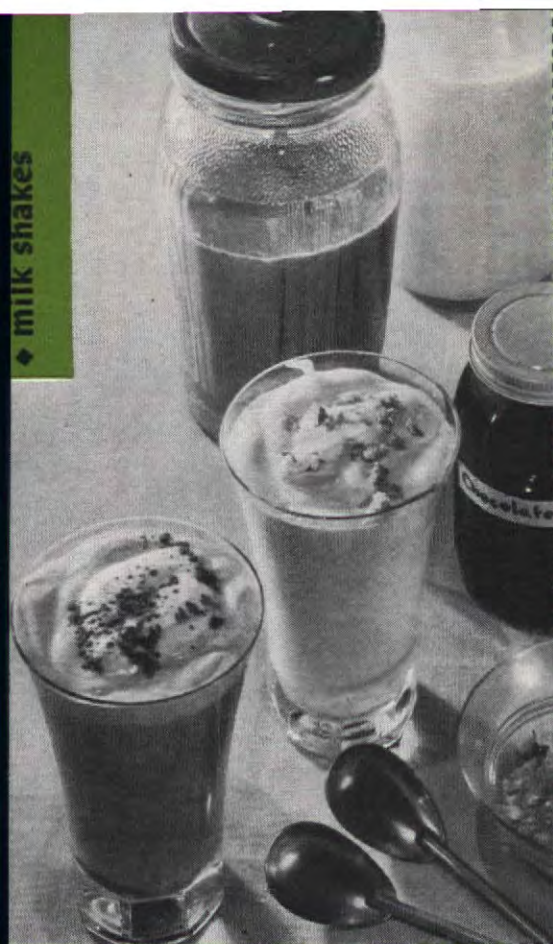
Serve ice cream in a cereal ring: To make cereal ring place  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup brown sugar and 2 tbs. margarine in a saucepan over low heat stirring occasionally until melted. Add 1 cup of cereal flakes and 1 cup puffed cereal and toss lightly until coated with syrup. Spread in greased ring mold. Cool. Unmold on platter and serve ice cream in the center.

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**Fruit with frozen cheese:** Mash together 1 c. cottage cheese,  $\frac{1}{4}$  c. each of cream and blue cheese and  $\frac{1}{2}$  c. light cream. Freeze and serve with fresh fruit.

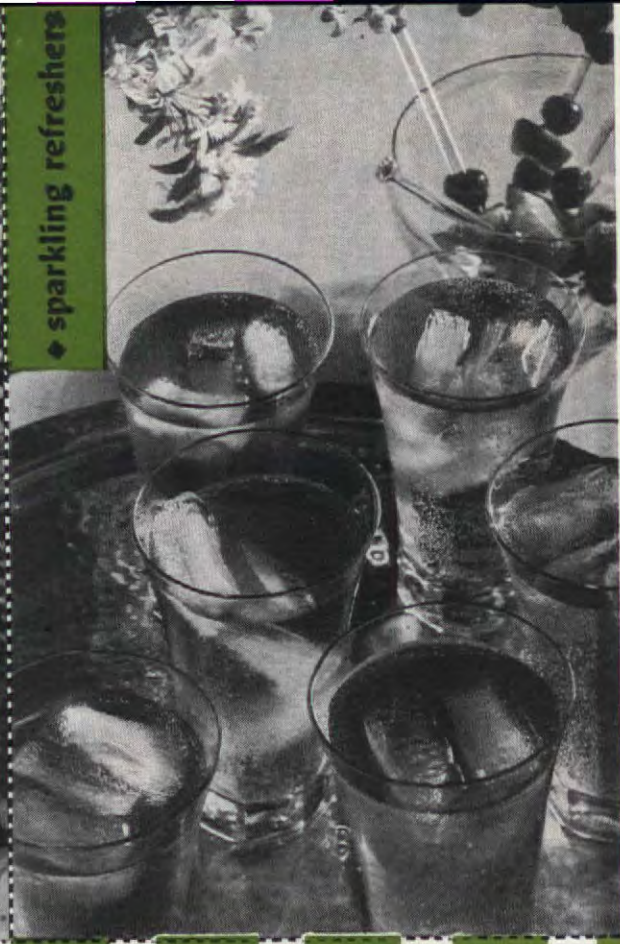




◆ milk shakes



◆ fruitade



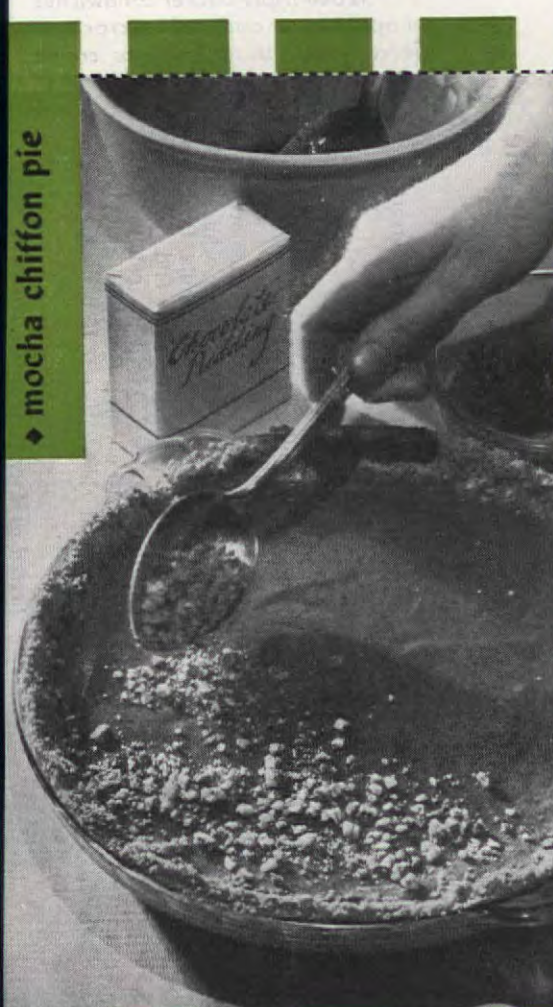
◆ sparkling refreshers

usually plentiful. Although oranges are exceptionally small this year, they are juicy and equal in flavor and vitamin content to the larger fruit. We can't improve on nature's first choice of beverage for children—good cold milk. For boys and girls who must be beguiled into taking what most of them clamor for, one of the most potent persuasions is a dash of chocolate for flavor. Desserts in summer are very important. They provide proper nourishment to a light meal for many persons who, jaded by the heat, might not eat

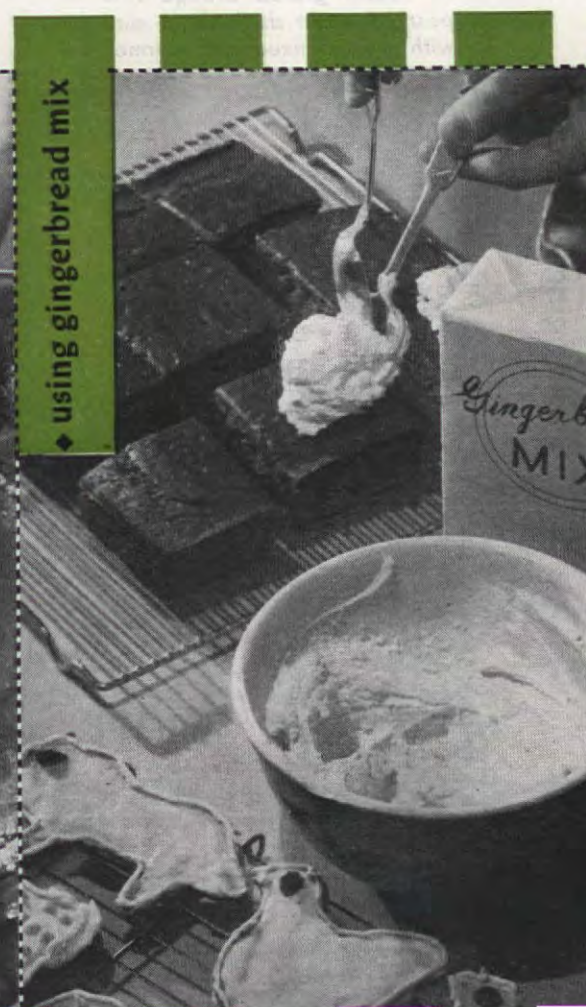
enough without these tempting and refreshing climaxes. We are lucky to have on the market many ready-prepared, easy desserts. One favorite is a pudding similar to the old-fashioned cornstarch pudding. This comes in three flavors—vanilla, chocolate, and butterscotch. Preparation is almost nil and the result is always uniform and good. With slightly different treatment they are transformed into pies and sauces. Cool, translucent, fruit-flavored gelatins are easy desserts. They chill in the refrigerator while the mercury climbs.

Here's a cheerful note from the ice cream front. We have been promised more commercial ice cream this summer, but our favorite corner store may not have a supply to take out every time we call. You can enjoy homemade ice cream by using a prepared mix, sparing your sugar.

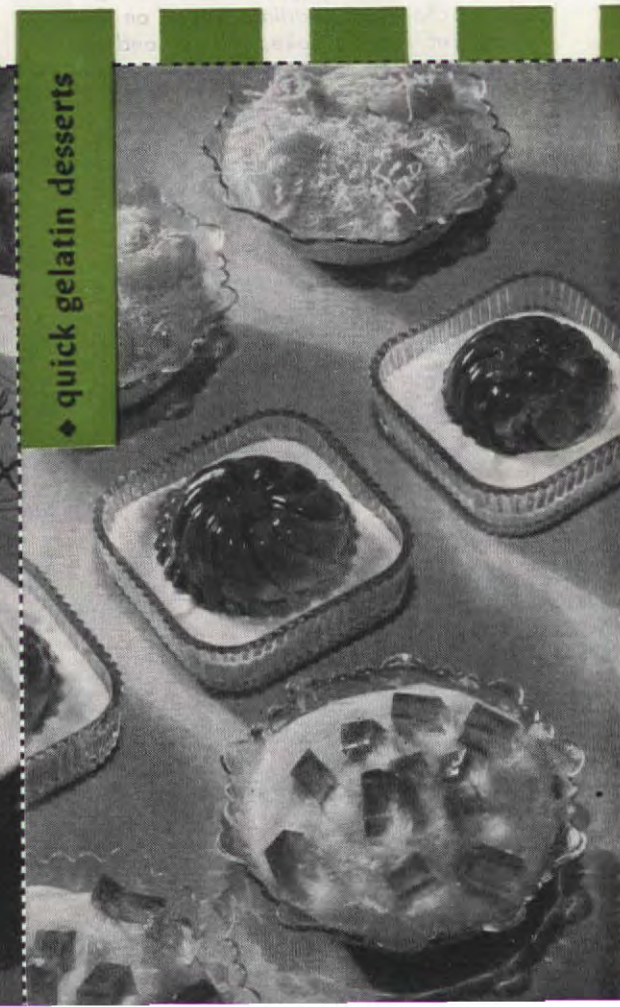
Most of us think of gingerbread as a winter dessert, but it really goes temptingly all around the calendar. The prepared mixture is simple to use and in a few minutes is ready to pop in the oven. You'll like it for making cookies.



◆ mocha chiffon pie



◆ using gingerbread mix



◆ quick gelatin desserts



## ◆ quick gelatin desserts

**Orange coconut delight:** Prepare and whip orange-flavored gelatin according to the directions given on the package. Pour into dessert dishes and chill thoroughly. Place orange sections on top and sprinkle with shredded coconut.

**Lime supreme:** Prepare lime-flavored gelatin according to the directions given on the package. Pour  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of the gelatin into a small shallow pan. Chill until firm and use for a garnish. Whip the remaining gelatin according to the directions on package and chill until firm. Spoon up into serving dishes and garnish with gelatin cubes.

**Strawberry mold:** Prepare strawberry-flavored gelatin according to the directions given on the package. Pour into individual molds and chill until firm. Unmold into dessert dishes. Put sliced fruit or berries over the top. Serve with a vanilla sauce made from prepared vanilla pudding.

**Lemon butterscotch tarts:** Prepare and whip lemon-flavored gelatin according to the directions given on the package. Prepare butterscotch pudding as directed on the package. Chill the pudding. Gradually fold the pudding into the whipped gelatin. Pour into baked tart shells and chill until firm.

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## ◆ using gingerbread mix

**PREPARE** the contents of one package of gingerbread mix according to the directions given on the package. Pour batter into a greased 8-inch square pan and bake as directed. Cool. Either cut gingerbread in half and spread whipped cream cheese between layers or place a tablespoonful on top of each piece. Serve with hot lemon sauce made as follows: Combine  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar, 2 tbs. cornstarch,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups boiling water, and 2 tbs. thinly-sliced lemon rind in a saucepan and cook, stirring constantly until sauce thickens (about 5 minutes). Remove from fire and add 2 tbs. lemon juice, 2 tbs. margarine and  $\frac{1}{8}$  tsp. salt.

### Ginger Cookies

Add 2 tbs. melted shortening to the contents of a package of gingerbread mix. Stir in  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup milk or water, mix thoroughly and chill in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Roll out dough  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch thick on a floured board. Cut cookies into any desired shapes. Place on a greased cookie sheet and bake in a moderate oven  $350^{\circ}\text{F}$  about 10 minutes. These cookies may be cooled and iced with pink and white frosting.

**Makes 30-40 cookies**

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## ◆ mocha chiffon pie

**Preparation time: 30 min.**  
**(2 hrs. chilling time)**

- 1 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup cold coffee
- 2 cups milk
- 1 pkg. prepared chocolate pudding
- 2 eggs separated
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. vanilla
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter or vitaminized margarine
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar
- $1\frac{1}{4}$  cups crushed graham cracker crumbs

**SOFTEN** gelatin in the coffee. Add the milk to the prepared chocolate pudding, place in the top of a double boiler over boiling water and cook until thickened. Add beaten egg yolks and cook for two minutes longer. Remove from heat; add softened gelatin and stir until dissolved. Cool. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry and fold into the chocolate mixture. Add the vanilla. Pour into the crumb crust made as follows: Cream butter; add the sugar and cream together. Blend in cracker crumbs and line a greased 9-inch pie pan with this mixture. Bake in a moderate  $350^{\circ}\text{F}$  oven for 10 minutes. Cool before the filling is added. Place filled pie in refrigerator and chill until set. If desired, sprinkle chopped nuts on top of pie before serving.

**Serves 6-8**

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## ◆ sparkling refreshers

**Cherry flip:** Chill 1 qt. bottle of cherry soda, 1 pt. bottle orange soda and 1 pt. bottle of lemon soda. Combine in a pitcher. Put orange and pineapple slices and cherries on glass stirring rods and place in each glass when serving. Makes 6 glasses.

**Creole cooler:** Chill 1 qt. bottle raspberry soda, 1 pt. bottle of the cola-type beverage and 1 pt. ginger ale. Combine in a pitcher and serve with fresh raspberries as a garnish. Makes 6 glasses.

**Grape cola punch:** Chill 1 pt. bottle of grape soda, 1 pt. bottle cola-type beverage and 1 pt. ginger ale thoroughly in the refrigerator. Combine in a pitcher and serve with sprigs of mint. Makes 4 glasses.

**Orange ginger punch:** Place 1 qt. lemon or orange ice in a punch bowl and pour in 2 qts. of ginger ale. Garnish with orange slices and cherries. Makes 12 to 15 punch glasses.

**Grapefruit whizz:** Combine  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups chilled grapefruit juice and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups grape juice. Sweeten to taste with part sugar and corn syrup. Pour into 8 glasses and fill with sparkling water.

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## ◆ fruitade

**Lemon syrup:** To 2 cups lemon juice (12 large lemons) add 1 cup sugar, 4 tsp. grated lemon peel and mix well. Makes 1 pt. of lemon syrup. Store in a covered jar in the refrigerator. To make lemonade use  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lemon syrup,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water or berry juice and ice. Garnish with slices of lemon or orange and cherries. If desired moisten edge of glass with lemon juice and dip in sugar or dextrose.

**Orange gingerade:** Combine 2 cups orange juice,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup lemon juice,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar and 1 pt. of ginger ale. Serve at once over cracked ice in tall glasses and garnish with sprigs of mint. Serves 6.

**Orange cup:** Sweeten 4 cups orange juice with part sugar and corn syrup to taste. Pour into glasses and add a serving of lemon sherbet to each glass. Garnish with orange slices.

**Lime fizz:** Sweeten 1 cup lime juice with part sugar and corn syrup to taste, and stir until dissolved. Pour into 4 to 6 glasses, add ice and fill with sparkling water.

**Lime raspberryade:** Follow the directions given for the lime fizz and add a small ball of raspberry ice instead of ice.

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## ◆ milk shakes

**Chocolate shake:** Add 2 tbs. chocolate or cocoa syrup or malt powder to 1 cup of milk. Beat or shake well and pour into a tall glass. Serve with a scoop of chocolate ice cream. Makes 1 serving.

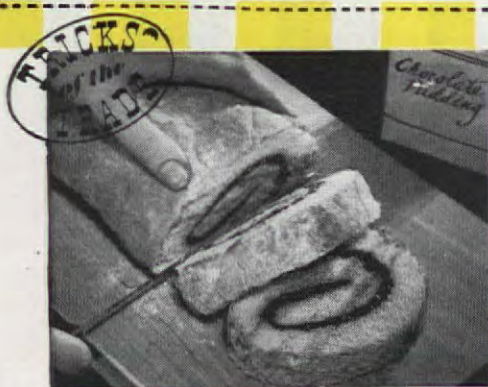
**Peppermint shake:** Scald 4 cups of milk in a double boiler. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup crushed peppermint stick candy and stir or shake until the candy is dissolved. Chill and pour into glasses. Top with whipped light cream and sprinkle with crushed peppermint candy. Makes 6 servings.

**Maple shake:** Add  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup maple syrup to 1 qt. milk and stir or shake well. Pour into tall glasses which are half filled with ginger ale. Makes 6 servings.

**Strawberry flip:** Place a serving of strawberry ice cream in a tall glass or shaker. Add  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk and stir or shake. Fill glass with sparkling water.

**Molasses chocolate syrup:** Break 4 squares of unsweetened chocolate into several pieces. Melt in a double boiler over hot water. Stir in  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup molasses. Add  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup boiling water and continue to cook until mixture is creamy but not thick. Cool. Add 1 tsp. vanilla. Store in a covered container. For every 1 cup milk add 4 tbs. of the molasses chocolate syrup and stir or shake well.

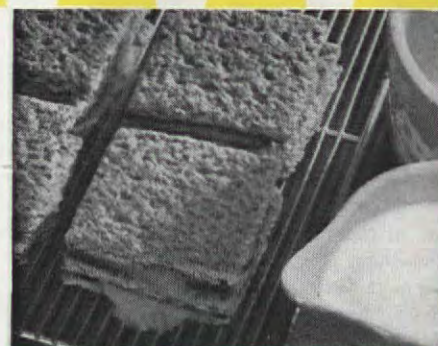
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Add peppermint flavoring to chocolate pudding, spread on sheet of sponge cake, roll up and slice

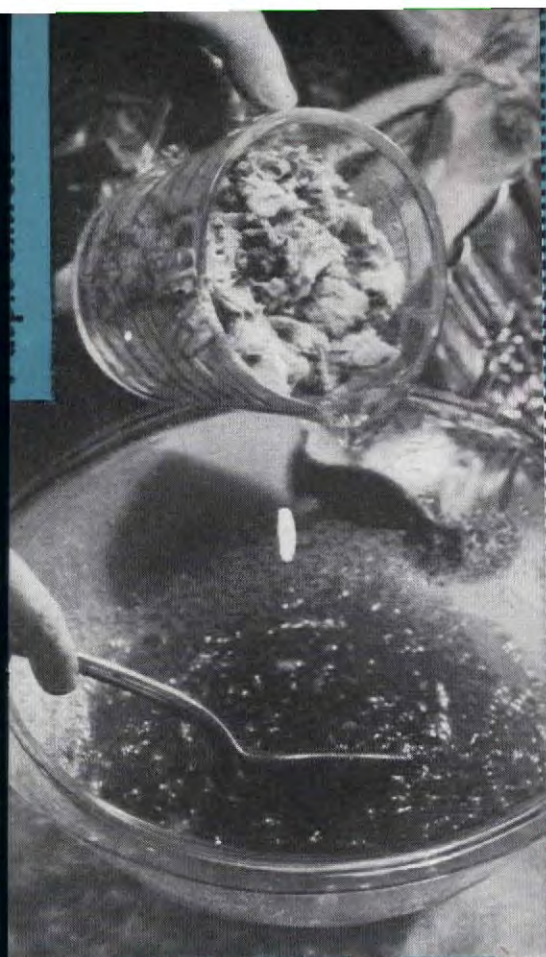


Add grated orange rind to pastry for tart shells, bake and fill with prunes mixed with marmalade

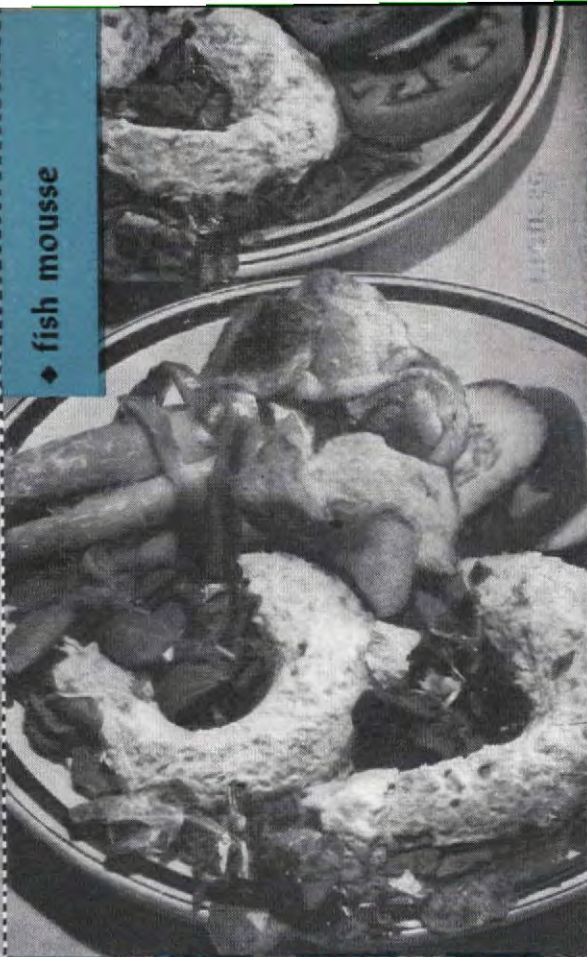


Make triple decker sandwiches of apple sauce and graham crackers. Serve with custard sauce or cream

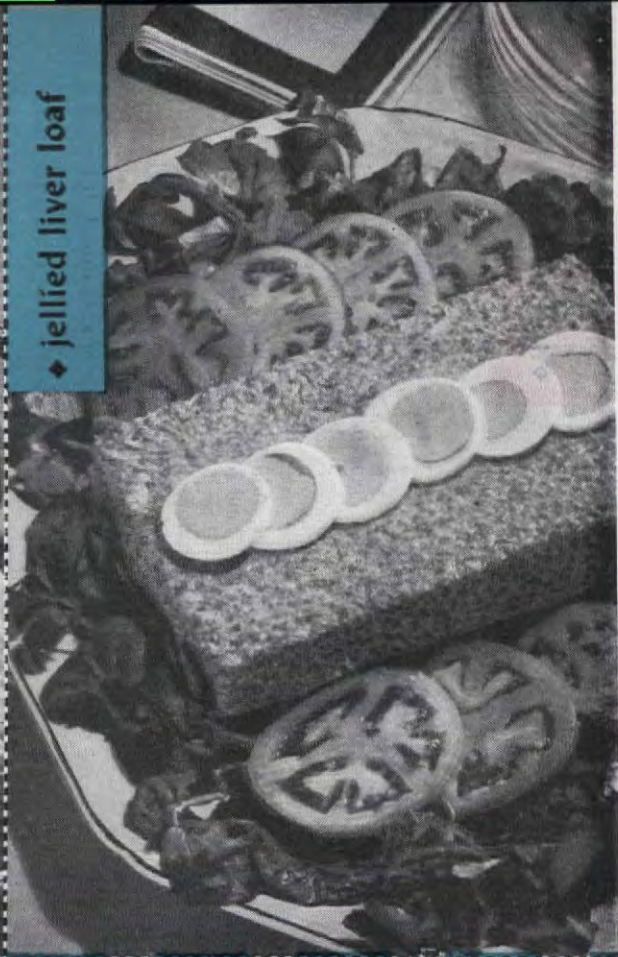




◆ fish mousse



◆ jellied liver loaf

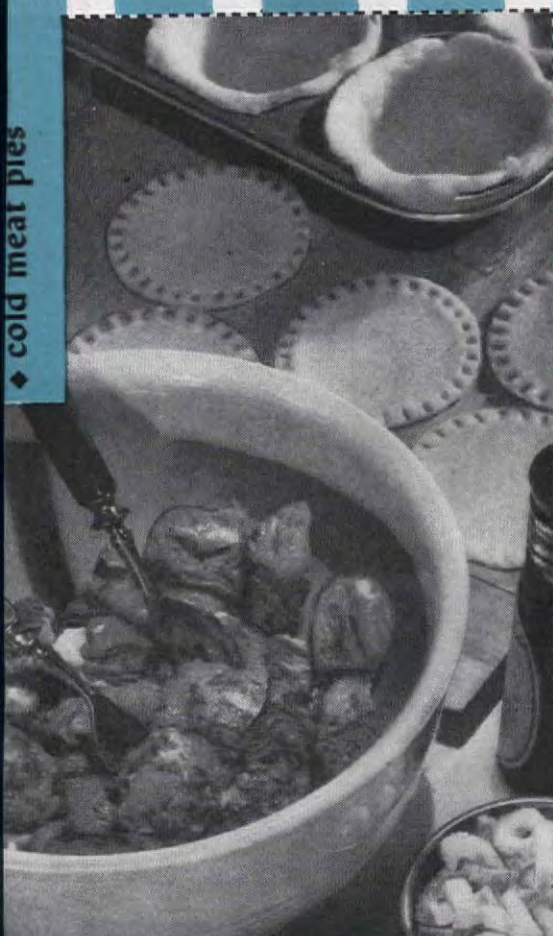


# Cool Entrées

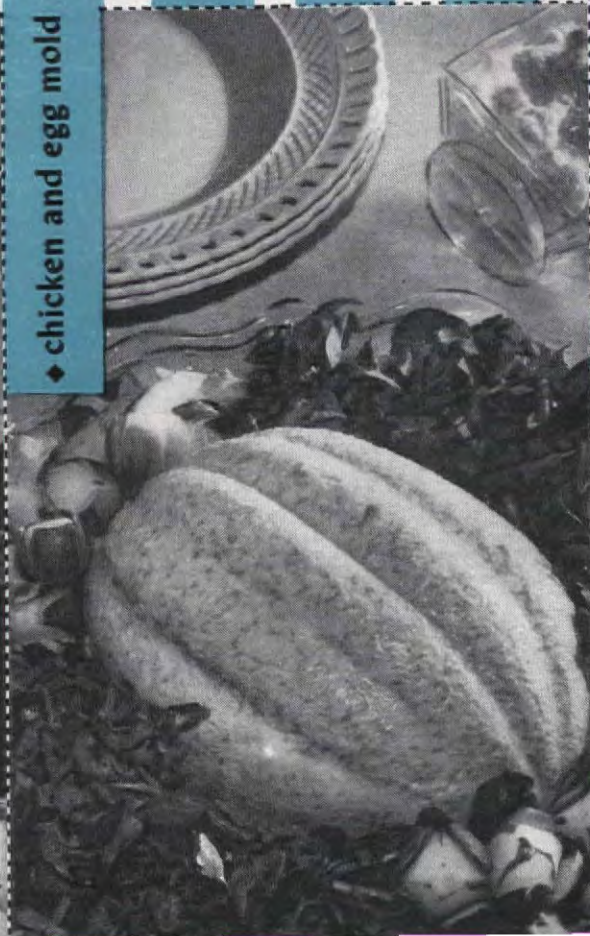
**L**ADY, you love your family and they love you, but you have a friend who is helping to cement the bond between you year after year. We refer to your refrigerator. Its primary function, of course, is to insure the proper preservation of food. In doing this it protects the health of your family. In addition it is really your best and most indispensable hot weather ally. Without its help you could not turn out these exclamatory entrees given here. Without its connivance you could not be presiding over your pretty dining table while your family, all tuckered out, wonder how you have achieved such food and such serene calm at one and the same time, and that a hot time.

Yet in recommending these chilled main dishes we urge upon you menu-makers one important concomitant, something hot. It may be soup or beverage, vegetable or dessert. But no meal, however extreme the heat, is complete without this contrast and this friendly stimulant to digestion and appetite.

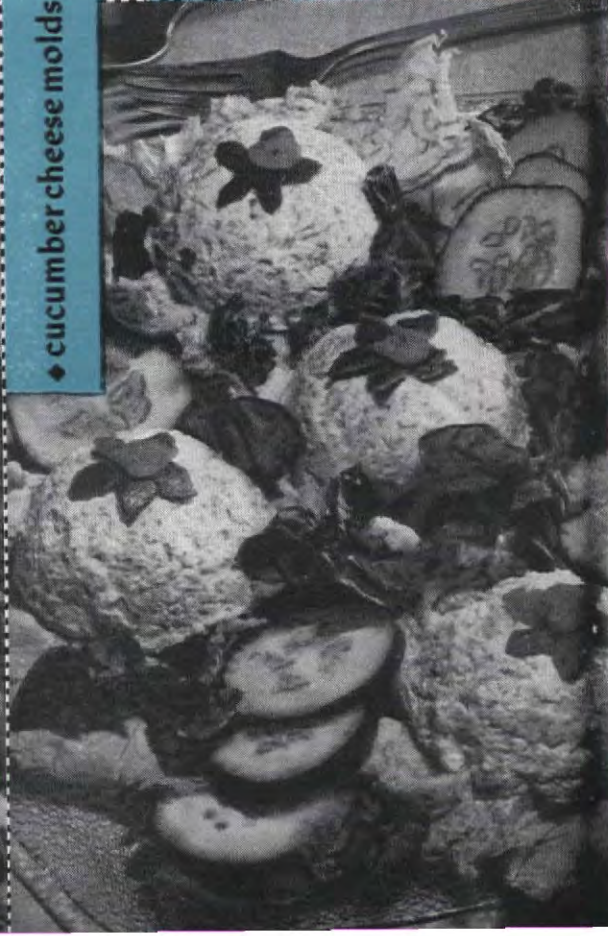
◆ cold meat pies



◆ chicken and egg mold



◆ cucumber cheese molds





## ◆ cucumber cheese molds

**Preparation time: 25 min.**  
(2 hrs. chilling time)

- 1 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- ¼ cup cold water
- 1½ cups cottage cheese
- 1 tsp. salt

- ¼ tsp. paprika
- 1½ cups chopped cucumber
- ½ cup chopped nuts
- ½ cup mayonnaise

**S**OFTEN the gelatin in the cold water. Place over boiling water and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Cool slightly and add to cottage cheese. Season with salt and paprika. Add cucumber, nuts and mayonnaise and mix lightly. Pour into individual molds or a large mold which has been rinsed in cold water. Chill until firm.

**Serves 6**

**279 cal. per serving**

**Source of vitamin A**

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## ◆ chicken and egg mold

**Preparation time: 20 min.**  
(2 hrs. chilling time)

- 2 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- ½ cup cold water
- 1 cup hot chicken broth
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1½ tsp. curry powder
- 2 cups cooked chicken finely chopped

- 6 hard-cooked eggs chopped fine
- 3 tbs. finely chopped green pepper
- ¼ cup finely chopped celery
- 1¼ tsp. salt
- Dash of pepper

**S**OFTEN gelatin in cold water. Add hot chicken broth, stir until gelatin is dissolved. Cool. Mix mayonnaise with curry powder and add to chicken, eggs, green pepper, and celery. Season with salt and pepper. Combine gelatin and chicken mixture. Pour into wet mold. Chill until firm. If desired, place molded chicken on water cress and garnish with avocado slices and radish roses.

**Serves 6-8**

**484 cal. per serving**

**Source of vitamins A, C**

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## ◆ cold meat pies

**Preparation time: 1¼ hours**

**Pastry**

- 1 lb. boneless veal (cut in 1 inch cubes)
- 1 tbs. vegetable bouquet sauce
- 1 tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. pepper

- ¼ tsp. marjoram
- 3 tbs. shortening
- 1¼ cups veal stock
- ¾ cup sliced onion
- ½ cup chopped celery
- ¾ cup sliced mushrooms

**R**OLL out pastry and cut in 4-inch rounds. Fit these rounds in muffin pans. Cut out enough 3-inch rounds to be used as top crusts for the pies. Place veal in a bowl. Add vegetable bouquet sauce, salt, pepper, marjoram and mix thoroughly. Melt shortening in a skillet, add the seasoned veal and cook until meat is well-browned on all sides. Add stock, onion, celery, and mushrooms and simmer 15 minutes longer. Place in the individual pie shells, cover with top crusts and bake in a moderate oven 350°F for 45 minutes. Cool and put in refrigerator until ready to serve as a cold entree, or serve hot.

**Serves 6**

**397 cal. per serving**

**Source of vitamins A, B complex**

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## ◆ jellied liver loaf

**Preparation time: 30 min.**  
(2 hrs. chilling time)

- 1 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- ½ cup cold water
- 1 cup hot beef bouillon
- 1 lb. beef liver diced
- ¼ lb. mushrooms sliced

- ¼ cup chopped onion
- ½ cup chopped celery
- ¼ tsp. salt
- Dash of pepper
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

**S**OFTEN gelatin in cold water. Add hot bouillon and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Sauté liver, mushrooms and onion until tender. Put through food chopper and add celery. Season with salt, pepper and Worcestershire sauce. Fold into gelatin mixture and pour into loaf mold which has been rinsed in cold water. Chill until firm. If desired, garnish loaf with slices of hard-cooked egg and serve with sliced tomato.

**Serves 6-8**

**107 cal. per serving**

**Source of vitamins A, B complex**

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## ◆ fish mousse

**Preparation time: 25 min.**  
(2 hrs. chilling time)

- 1 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- ¼ cup cold water
- ¾ cup thick sour cream
- 1 tbs. vinegar
- ¾ tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. pepper

- 2 cups flaked tuna fish, salmon or other cooked fish
- ½ cup chopped celery
- ¼ cup chopped green pepper
- 2 tbs. chopped pimiento

**S**OFTEN gelatin in cold water. Place over boiling water and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Cool slightly and add the sour cream, vinegar, salt and pepper and mix well. Add the tunafish, celery, green pepper, and pimiento and mix lightly. Turn into individual molds or a large mold which has been rinsed in cold water. Chill until firm.

**Serves 6**

**208 cal. per serving**

**Source of vitamins A, C**

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## ◆ aspic entrees

**Preparation time: 25 min.**  
(2 hrs. chilling time)

- 1 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- ¼ cup cold stock or bouillon
- ¼ cup hot stock or bouillon

- 1 tbs. grated onion
- ½ tsp. salt

**S**OFTEN the gelatin in the cold stock. Add hot stock and stir until dissolved. Add onion and salt and chill until almost set. Fold in one of the mixtures given below, pour into a mold which has been rinsed with cold water and chill until firm.

**Fish in aspic:** Mix together 2 cups flaked tuna fish, 1 tsp. lemon juice and ½ tsp. salt and add to basic aspic.

**Meat in aspic:** Mix together 2 cups cooked ground meat, 2 tbs. chopped green pepper, 2 tbs. chopped pimiento, ¼ cup chopped celery and ¼ cup mayonnaise. Season to taste. Add to basic aspic given above.

**Vegetables in aspic:** Mix together 2 cups cooked mixed vegetables, 2 hard-cooked eggs chopped and ¼ cup mayonnaise. Season to taste. Add to the basic aspic given above.



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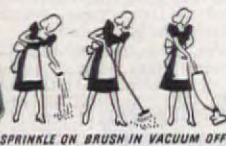
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legs out of blue crepe paper (Fig. 3). Fold as indicated and paste together. Slip legs in and tie waist with thread. Bend wire (Fig. 4) for arms and wrap in blue crepe paper. Cut collar (Fig.

FIG. 1

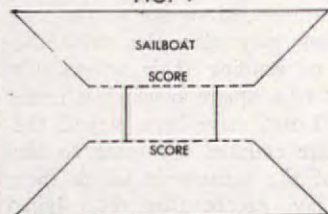


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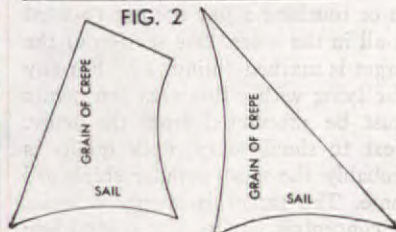


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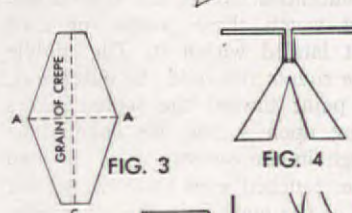


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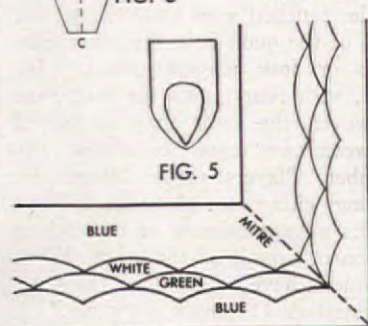


FIG. 6 A

6) from blue paper and paste with tiny white vestee. For gob's hat, fold in half lengthwise, a strip of white crepe paper 22" long and 16" wide. Fold edges back 3", paste or sew up seam and gather open edges at top with thread. Stretch turned-up band on gob's hat for a slight flair.

To bring the tang of the sea right to your table, serve steaming clam chowder. Delicious orange and avocado salad may be heaped in the holds of avocado boats, with triangles of toast as sails. Convoy each salad ship with plenty of life preserver sandwiches cut with a doughnut cutter and follow the fleet with doughnuts heavily sugared and so decorated with bands of colored paper as to be quite obviously lifesavers, not "sinks."

After luncheon the cruise passengers will want to while away the long, lazy hours on deck with a few not too strenuous games. One will be shuffleboard, of course. There is no game more popular with ocean voyagers, and it can be played quite as enjoyably at home as on the high seas. A concrete driveway is an excellent place for playing. Draw the target diagram with chalk, and use blocks or even paper plates for discs, with brooms for shoving paddles. Indoors, table shuffleboard is played by pushing checkers with table forks toward the target, drawn on paper to a similar scale and laid on a card table. In either case the procedure of the game

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When deck games are played on the veranda or in the living room, fruit-jar rings make excellent and harmless quoits. Get them in two colors if possible, making it easier to distinguish between the shots of the two teams. If this is not convenient, a loop of colored string will make the distinction without interfering with the usability or with the fun.

If the day is unusually warm, our sea-going guests may prefer a cool game of Yacht, played at tables in the shade, with no more exertion than tossing the dice. Five dice are used, and any number of players from two upwards may take part in the twelve rounds or events of the game which are listed in the left-hand column of a score sheet and defined as follows: 1. *Ones*, 2. *Twos*, 3. *Threes*, 4. *Fours*, 5. *Fives*, 6. *Sixes*. The score for any of these six events is the number thrown for multiplied by the number of times a player succeeds in throwing it. 7. *Full House*, three of one denomination and two of another. 8. *Four of a kind*. 9. *Choice*, any five dice thrown. These three events score the added value of the five dice thrown. 10. *Little straight*, a one, two, three, four, and five. 11. *Big straight*, a two, three, four, five, and six. Each of these events counts 30 points. 12. *Yacht*, or five of a kind, scores 50 points for the game.

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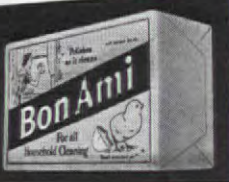


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Your cargo of gifts, handsomely wrapped in navy-blue and white with star and anchor trimmings, can be brought on deck at whatever moment seems best suited for a surprise. For such a nautical occasion the best means for packaging gifts is in a little white sea chest used to hold a sailor's duffel. A painted wooden goods box with a hinged lid and rope handles will make an excellent substitute; and if the special guest may take it home with her, she will find good use for it. If a wooden box is not available, a cardboard carton will serve very well if it is whitewashed and equipped with two rope handles at its ends; or a duffel bag made of coarse cotton cloth with a draw-string closing is a practical and nautical note.

Before your guests disembark, they will surely want to sing some of the old sailor songs: *Nancy Lee*, *Blow the Man Down*, *Life on the Ocean Wave*, or *Sailing, Sailing*. Gems from H. M. S. Pinafore are always fun, and certainly everyone can join in on *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*. Type out the songs and bind them in a "ship's log" for each guest.

If floor space permits, a ship's dance just before the "landing," (or close of your party), is a novel idea. The "orchestra" can be a piano, a record-player—or if some of your guests are musically-minded, ask them to bring along their instruments and have a real band!

Since photographers always meet luxury liners when they dock, a clever and unusual way to bring the day's fun to an appropriate ending is to line your guests up around the deck rail (on the porch, lawn, or wherever your party is being held) and have flash pictures taken. Pop can operate the family's, or a borrowed, camera, and a friend can simultaneously set off a firecracker or flash a flashlight. If enough film is available, the guests can also be photographed in pairs as they descend the gang-plank. These pictures, to be sent to the guests later, will keep the fun and gaiety of your party alive for years to come!

Use all the ideas we have mentioned or only the basic ones. Make your party as simple or elaborate as you wish for however you plan it, a "dry-land sailing party" is charted for a gay and successful voyage!



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### \*LEMON ANGEL PIE

For an unusual pie: Cream 4 egg yolks and  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar. Add  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lemon juice. Cook in double boiler until thickened, stirring often. Add 1 tbs. butter. Remove from heat and fold in 2 beaten egg whites. Pour into baked pie shell and top with meringue.

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Preserve all "How to launder" labels that come with your lingerie. File them in a box or on a hook near the bathroom basin (or wherever you do your personal laundering). Follow directions exactly. If no label is attached, wash according to the general rules for sudsing, rinsing, and drying various fabrics



Don't hesitate about washing dark colors or pieces having deep-toned laces for fear they will fade. These fabrics are usually well-dyed and will hold their color if cool water and a cool iron are used. Hang in shade to prevent fading by sun. Good idea is to wash before wearing to remove any excess dye



After last rinse, roll garment briefly in a towel, knead gently to remove any excess moisture. Hang or spread to dry away from sunlight or direct heat. Rayon jersey pieces, such as slips, should be well-blotted before hanging so that the weight of the water does not stretch down the jersey. Do not use clothespins



# Lovelies Carefully!

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Use lukewarm water for both washing and rinsing—about 100 Fahrenheit, or temperature that feels neither hot nor cold when tested with the elbow. To wash, dip garment up and down. Press gently through the material but never squeeze or twist the fabric. Rub soiled spots with fingertips. Rinse three times



Make lukewarm sudsy wash water by first dissolving bar or chip soap in hot water. Pour in soapy liquid and run in cold water until you have the desired temperature. Keeping soap scraps in a decorated jar in the bathroom for this purpose is a practical and economical idea. Never rub lingerie against bar soap



Iron garments with appliques, medallions, embroidery, or monograms over folded bath towel to bring out design. Iron all lingerie while damp and on wrong side. Lace ruffles are ironed from the inside out, lace bands, from the outside in. To avoid creasing, hang lingerie such as bed jackets on clean hangers after ironing. Excellent for putting away folded lingerie are the new film plastic bags with zipper or flap closings



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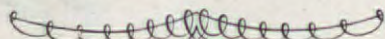


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## Here are your ingredients

2 cups tomato juice  
1 bay leaf  
2 cloves  
Salt, pepper, onion  
1 tsp. sugar  
2 tbs. plain gelatin  
Water

1 pkg. lime-flavored gelatin  
1 tbs. vinegar  
1 cup chopped cucumber  
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*Real Mayonnaise*  
Cream cheese balls  
Salad greens

## Here's how you dazzle 'em

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*Real Mayonnaise*



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