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"Have you seen what Milly did to her bathroom!"

BARBARA stopped dead, right in the middle of playing a small slam bid. "What could anyone do with *that* old bathroom?"

"You ought to see it now," I said. "She started her remodeling with some new Armstrong's Linoleum and . . ."

Marge broke in, "I know Armstrong's Linoleum is wonderful, but the prettiest floor in the world couldn't help that old bathroom of Milly's."

"Well, it isn't just the floor. You see, she . . ." I stopped, knowing that I could never make them see it with words. If I told them that Milly had pasted roses on the ceiling, they'd feel the same way I did that afternoon she called me up, begging me to come right over—as if something awful had happened.

"It's my bathroom," Milly said at the door, and from the look in her eyes, I knew she was scared to death to show it to me. "I probably shouldn't have let myself go," she said, "but I've always wanted to do things—and my bathroom was so horribly old-fashioned." Her hand was on my arm. "I'm so afraid I've gone overboard."

I expected the worst—and was I surprised! If Milly hadn't told me she'd done it herself, I'd have sworn that she'd called in the best decorator in town.

"I wasn't going to do *all* this," Milly explained timidly. "I started with new fixtures and this Armstrong's Linoleum. Then I took a chance with those rose curtains . . . and then I tried to tie things together with a



few roses around the mirror and . . . well, before I knew it the darned roses were blooming all over."

I slid my arm around Milly, "Darling, it's simply wonderful. I never knew you could do these things."

I couldn't be sure whether Milly was going to laugh or cry. "What will the other girls think?"

"Just wait," I said. "I'll bring them over Friday."

That's what I was leading up to, but I never expected we'd wind up with Barbara's tossing in a small slam and suggesting we drive right over.

I don't think I've ever been happier than when I was watching Milly's face while the girls raved . . . particularly after Marge had asked her to go into town tomorrow to help pick all the Armstrong Floors for their new house.

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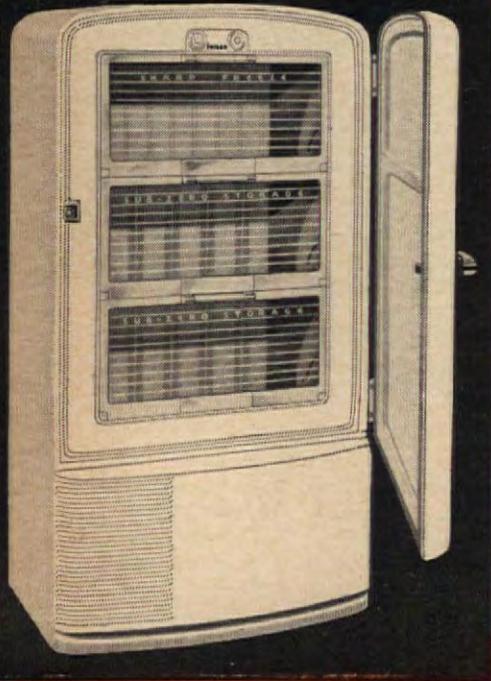


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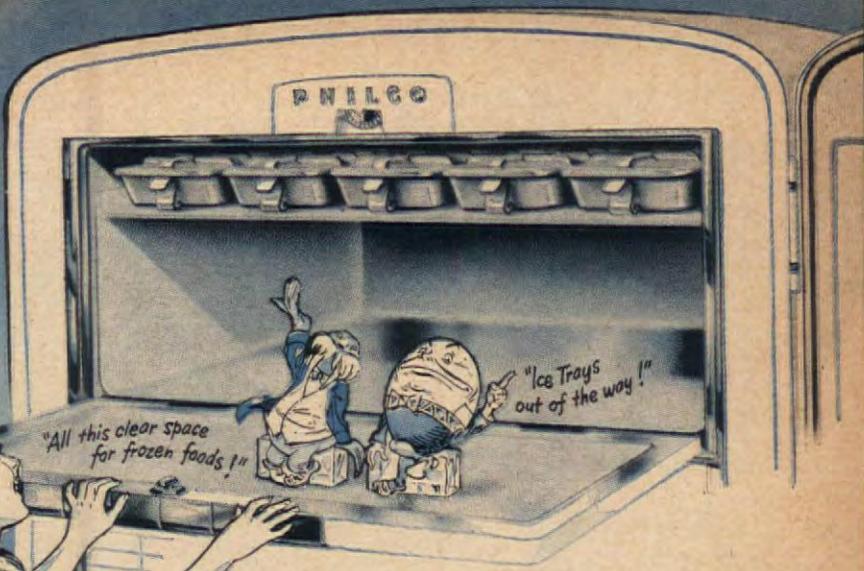
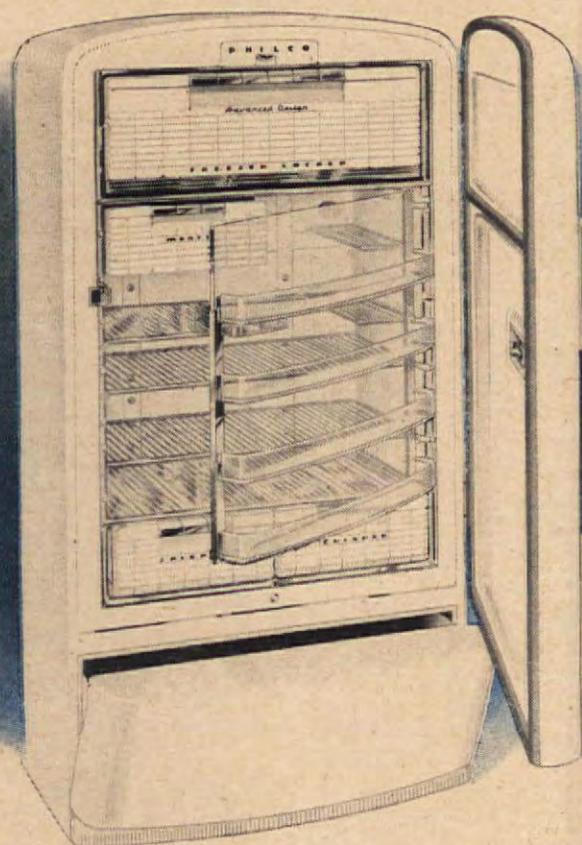
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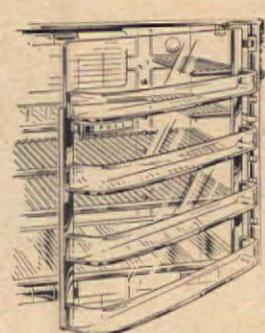
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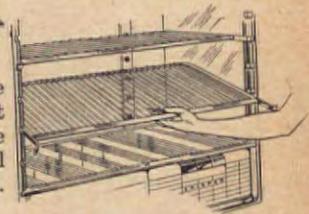
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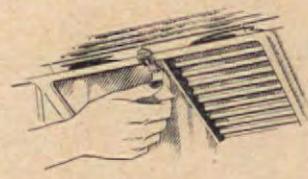
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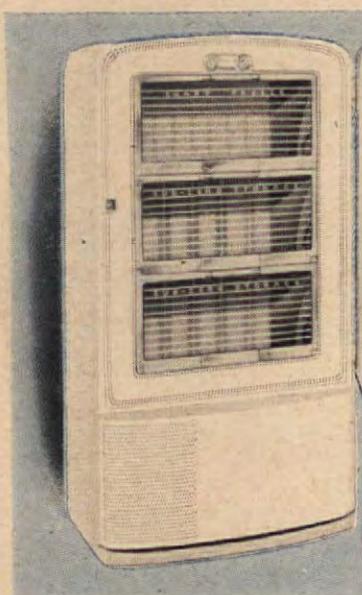
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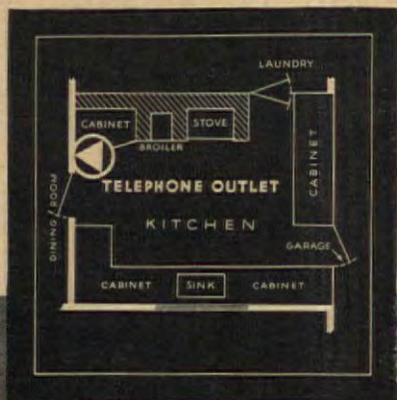


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• • • **ALICE LAKE** began her varied career with several years of writing publicity for CBS, after graduating from Vassar. Then, as World War II began, she did a short stretch as propaganda analyst for OWI, dropped everything to join her Army husband. During this restless period, she worked as a sewing machine operator; reported for the St. Paul Dispatch, and (incongruous as it may seem) ended up as a Traveler's Aid sub-official. Now she does free-lance writing and raises tomatoes—both (see her article "Honesty Begins at Home") fruitful occupations.



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● ● ● **DOROTHY MONROE**, our Southwest correspondent, couldn't be more suited to her article "Texas Colonial-20th Century Comfort." A native Texan and former Editor-Publisher of *Southern Home and Garden*, she has always been strongly conscious of civic problems and home planning. This interest was greatly increased during the war when she served three years as a hospital worker for the American Red Cross in the South Pacific theater. There she found a prevalent thought in the minds of most of her young male patients, expressed hopefully, in the words, "When I get home we'll get a place of our own."



● ● ● **JEAN DAKIN VEIT** found photography not only a career but also the "Open Sesame" to her happy married life. Through picture taking (begun in the leg art atmosphere of a University of California sorority house) she was offered a job as the Director of Weddings in a Los Angeles church. Now she's married to the associate Minister, has two rambunctious children, and still manages to continue photography, viz. her picture series on pages 120 and 121.

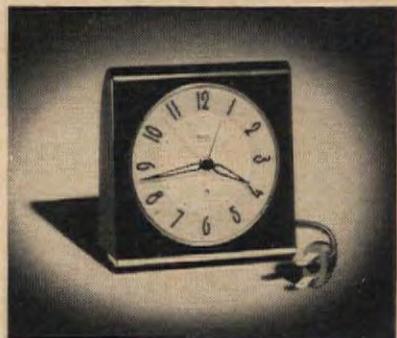
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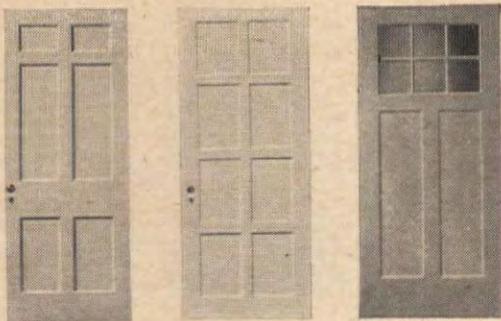
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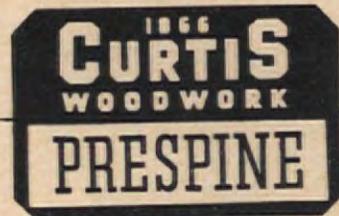
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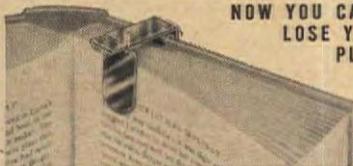


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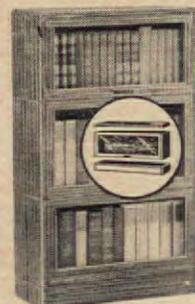
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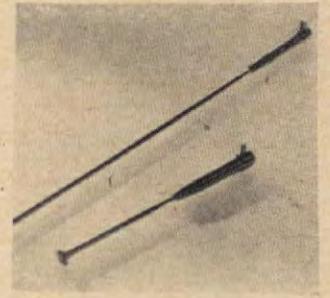
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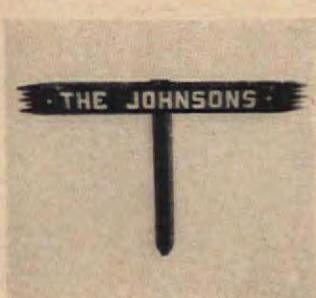
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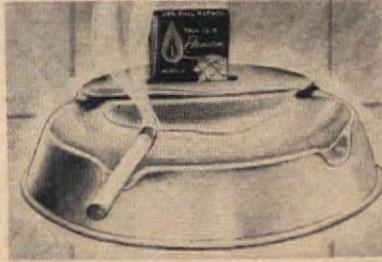
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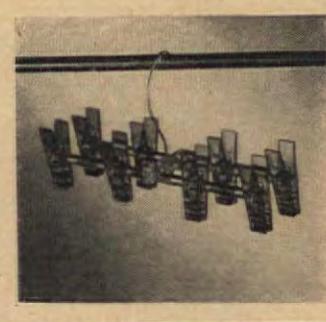
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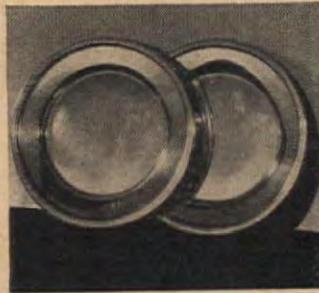
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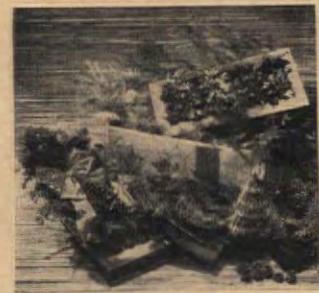
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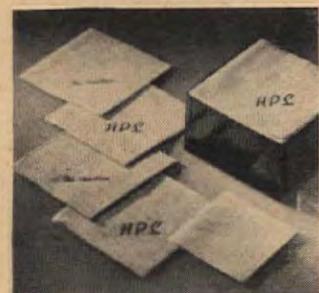
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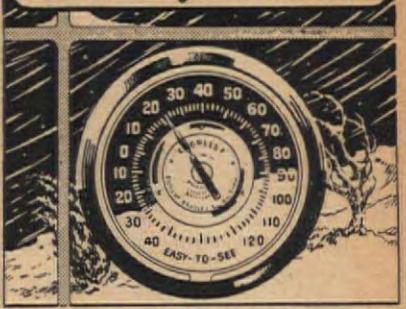


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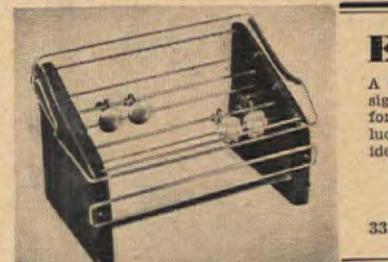
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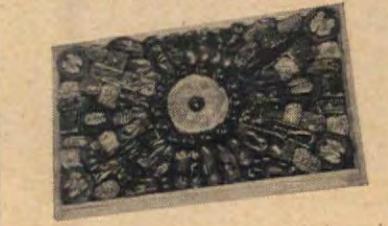
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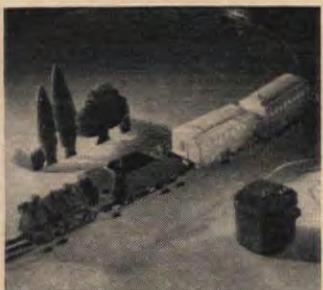
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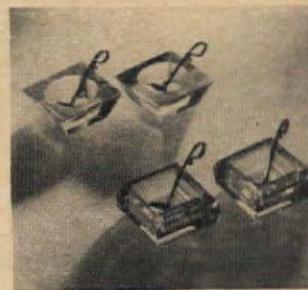
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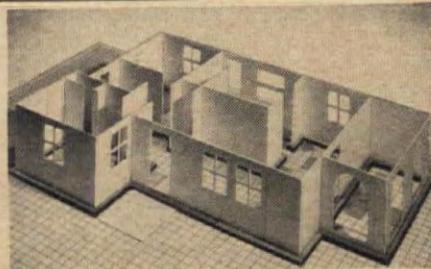


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Fourteen years ago, a young choirmaster named Bob Mitchell conducted six boys through a choral performance at High Mass in a Hollywood church. It was, although nobody realized it, an historic occasion. Not only did it mark the first appearance of what has become one of the most famous choral groups in the country, the Mitchell Boychoir, but the group itself presented a fine, new solution to the problem of juvenile delinquency.

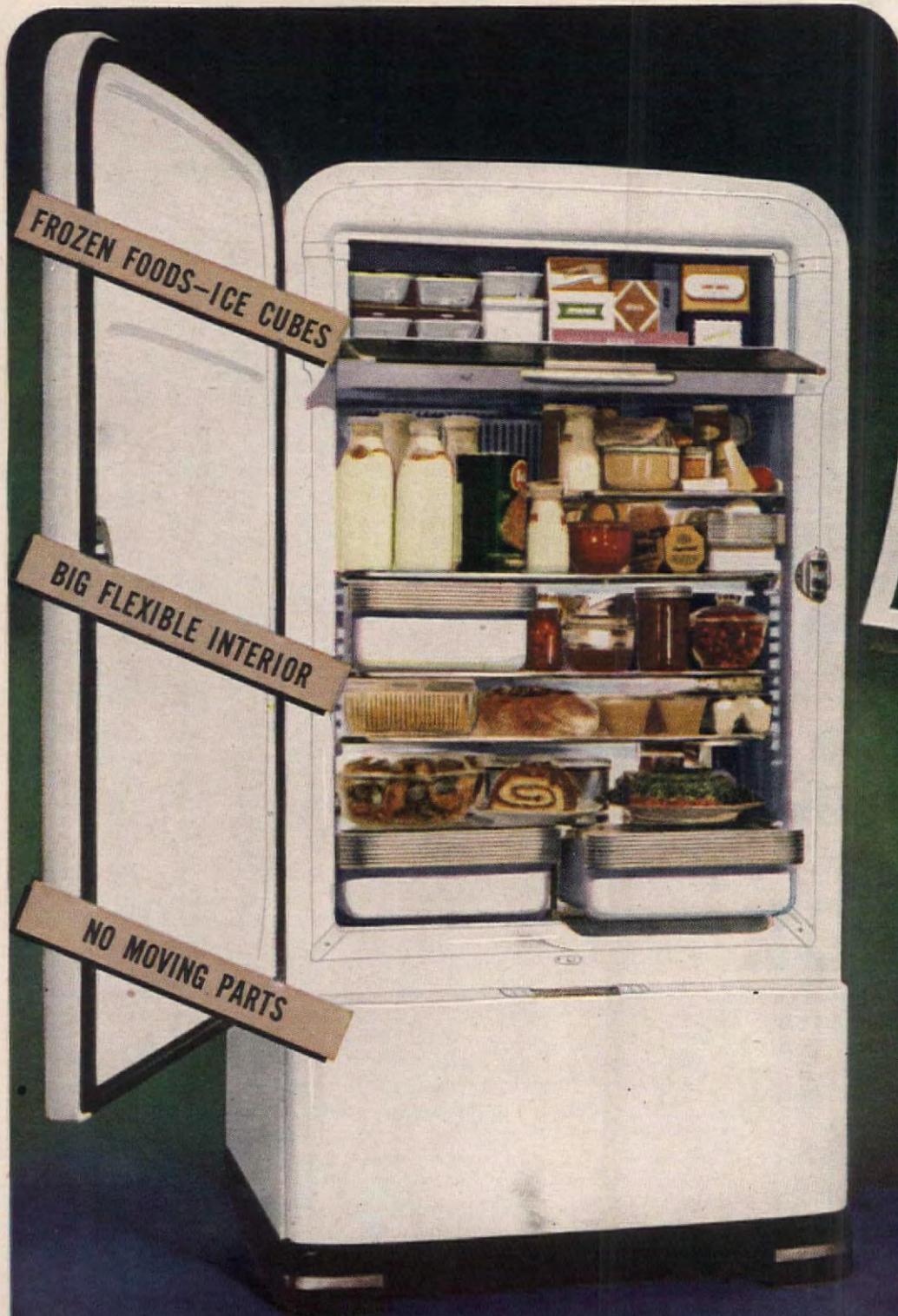
When Bob Mitchell began his choral work with boys, there was no thought in his mind of dealing with a complex social problem like juvenile delinquency. His only interest was music, but time has shown that music can provide an answer to this problem, one which almost every community faces today. "A boy who rehearses with a group three hours a day after school doesn't have time to roam the streets and get into trouble," Mitchell notes. "And you can add to this the time spent in community service, at radio broadcasts, church, benefits, club socials, and other affairs. A growing boy's energy which might be wrongly spent is channeled into worth-while activities which he enjoys."

In addition to keeping youngsters off the streets, work in a choral group also helps to build character. "The first thing a boy learns is teamwork," the choirmaster says. "He learns how to get along with others of his own age, regardless of race or background. He is one of a group, and he's proud of it. Also, he becomes proud of each member of the group, and any prejudices he may have had previously are bound to disappear."

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society, that if he fails to show up for a concert, he is going to disappoint a great many listeners and spoil the show for the other members of his team. He knows that he must not be tardy for rehearsal, or he'll be *persona non grata* with the other lads who have had to wait for him. Thus he acquires dependability and learns respect for time itself.

The six original choirboys have long since grown up and been replaced, but the group has become an internationally known institution. At the moment, the Mitchell Boychoir includes about two dozen members, all between the ages of twelve and sixteen, and most of them from Los Angeles and its suburbs. The Boychoir is entirely interdenominational, with youngsters of all creeds working together harmoniously.

Mitchell, who holds auditions twice a year, tries to keep each group together as long as possible. When a soprano's voice changes, he is given the opportunity of singing in another section if he wishes.

Two factors are taken into consideration at the auditions: one, the youngster's voice; and two, the attitude of his parents. Indifference on the part of parents has a strange and devastating effect on regularity of the child's attendance. Sometimes this is overcome by the child's own interest in the work, but it always must be taken into account.

Although they've given innumerable benefits for various organizations and appeared on the radio several times, the Boychoir's first screen appearance was in "Broadway Melody of 1938." Since that time, the group has been in frequent demand at the studios. When the boys sang "Wishing," in "Love Affair," the song became a hit overnight. The same thing happened when they introduced "Swinging on a Star," in "Going My Way." However, their specialty is still sacred music, and in almost every film, they have sung at least one hymn. In "The Bishop's Wife," it was "O, Sing to God," a lovely and little-known anthem by Gounod.

"The boys never tire of singing," Mitchell asserts. "Before and after rehearsals, you'll find a group of them together, harmonizing a new song or an old one. And when we make long

trips by bus, they sing all the way."

Many of the boys who join the group don't know how to read music at first, but they soon learn. The repertoire, which includes every type of musical composition from Gregorian chants to jive, is actually quite educational. These youngsters sing in English, Latin, Danish, French, German, Hebrew, and Norwegian.

"As soon as a boy gets the conception of accomplishment, he becomes a good student," Mitchell claims. "If a boy's schoolwork seems to be suffering, he is relieved of all professional obligations until he makes up his marks."

The boys contribute one-fourth of their screen earnings toward their schooling and expenses, and many of the "graduates" have paid for college educations with the money they've earned. The days are sometimes very busy. In addition to school and rehearsal, they may have a film assignment, a church engagement in the evening, and an early morning broadcast. This calls for split-second scheduling, and frequently leads to curious inconsistencies. On a single day, for example, a boy may record a vocal passage at a jive session and later broadcast sacred hymns.

The choirmaster, who is only 34, makes all the arrangements for his celebrated choir. He is not a rich man, as he so easily could have been if he had chosen to exploit his young charges. Bob is happy if he can make ends meet, and frequently he has to pay his boys' expenses out of his own pocket. But he doesn't mind. "Even if I lose money," he says, "I still consider myself a lucky man."

Bob Mitchell is a trained musician, who attended Eastman School of Music and later was graduated from New York Conservatory of Music. He believes that every community has at least one musically-trained member who could train a boys' chorus, provided he had community backing so that instruments could be obtained and a place for rehearsals. It takes work, not wizardry, to build up membership and hold the interest of youngsters. But when you hear them lift up clear, young voices in song, you'll agree it's worth the effort.

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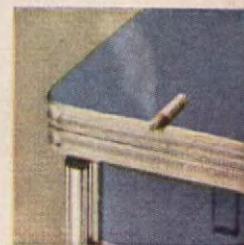
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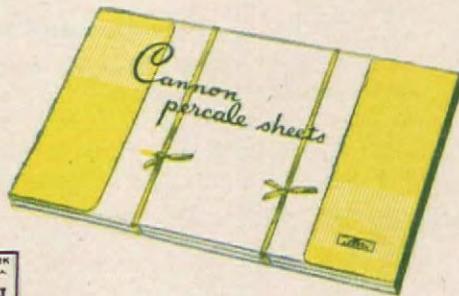
“I saw red—then green!”

Jim had told me about Ann, a former flame, before we even came to Detroit to live. Said we'd *adore* each other. But when Ann popped in the very day we arrived—with the house a shambles—I could have strangled her with her pure-silk scarf!

“Do let me help!” she caroled. “Maybe I could fix your linen closet? My own was such fun—with all those smooth, luscious percale sheets!” I felt a fine rush of pure green envy. “Still must get *my* sheets,” I said. “But I fear the budget frowns on *percale!*”

“Nonsense, darling,” Ann laughed. “I mean *Cannon Percale Sheets*—the ones *all* of us young-marrieds own. They cost only a *little* more than heavy-duty muslin—and what a difference! Like sleeping on *clouds*, or gardenia petals, or something!”

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Next time you're tempted, think about Johnny. Johnny's mother went out one night, secure in mind. The sitter was comfortably settled in the living room, and Johnny had been asleep for some time. When the mother returned at the end of a pleasant evening, she was horrified to find her child sitting up in bed with a tear-stained face and a ruffled sitter trying frantically to comfort him. It seems that Johnny had awakened a few minutes earlier and called out for his mother. When a complete stranger appeared to answer his call, he was overcome with fright at the sight of her unfamiliar face, began sobbing wildly, and could not be induced to go back to sleep.

The next evening at supper, Johnny asked his mother if she was going out again and received a truthful "No" for an answer. Johnny looked worried, but dropped the subject. Later, when it came time to be tucked in and have the light turned out, Johnny balked, for his three-year-old mind reasoned quite simply: "If I go to bed and close my eyes, how do I know Mommy won't leave me again? It isn't *safe* to go to bed."

It was close to a month before Johnny again accepted bedtime without fussing. How much simpler it would have been if his mother had said, "Johnny, I'm going to a party tonight, but I won't leave until you're fast asleep, and I promise to give you a big kiss and hug in the dark as soon as I come home." Being honest with a child—in word and attitude—is essential to his security and his trust in you, and it's part of the larger pattern of accepting him as a human being.

The child who goes to the doctor with full knowledge of what's going to happen will take the visit pretty well. What's more, he'll take subsequent visits to the doctor much better than the youngster who's been given evasive answers. The latter will remember the doctor's office as a place where he's been tricked, and he'll be likely to balk and scream when he's led there six months later. Relations with the doctor will suffer, and, more important, the first faint distrust of Mother will have been implanted in the growing child's mind.

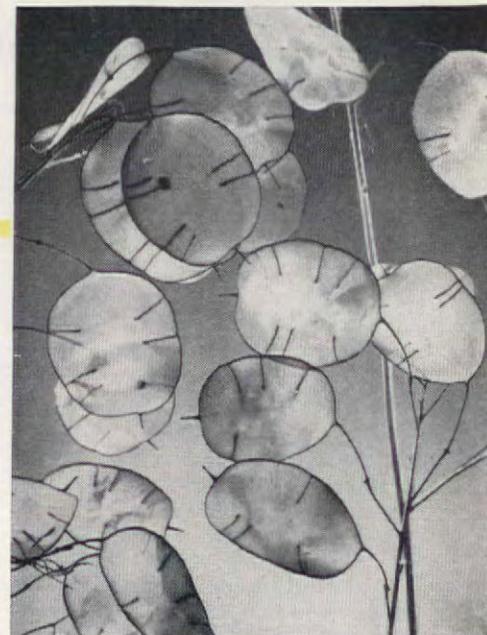
Being honest is not always easy. Perhaps you go to the park with Judy, who is proudly pushing her new doll carriage. She

looks longingly at the swing near-by, but is dubious about leaving her prize, afraid that bigger boys and girls may take it while she's gone. Smiling, you promise her, "Don't worry. I'll watch it," and off she goes. A few minutes later, a friend comes along with her little girl, who clamors to play with the carriage. You'd feel silly and selfish if you said "No," so with a sly glance at Judy, busy on the swing, you let the youngster wheel the carriage away. When Judy returns, she bursts into tears, and you feel guilty. The next day, you feel even guiltier when she stations herself grimly beside the carriage and refuses to budge. You could have kept faith with Judy by saying to your friend's youngster, "I've promised I won't let anyone play with her carriage without asking her first." Then you could have asked Judy's permission, approaching her tactfully, in a manner calculated to induce her to relinquish her carriage in a glow of generosity. Probably she would have consented.

With a small child, honesty must often be a long-term business. It isn't enough to say one morning, "Daddy and I are going away today on a vacation, and Grandma will come and stay with you." Naturally, the child is bewildered, unsettled, by the sudden, complex adjustment he must make. He will resent your absence almost as much as if you had sneaked out while he was asleep. Instead, try it this way. Mention your trip a week or two in advance, stressing the fun he's going to have with Grandma while you're gone, and keep bringing it up in conversation whenever you can. Make your absence and the round of events you've planned for him a familiar refrain long before you leave, and you'll find that even a two-year-old will make an amazing adjustment to your absence. He will find no crack in the wall of trust and confidence he has built up around you. You *and* he will learn to look forward to vacationtime.

A similar technique works wonders when you're planning to go to the hospital for a second child. An adequate, honest preparation, both for your absence and for the baby's future presence, will guard the first child from the sudden shock of change, which is so difficult for routine-lovers of two to four. It is sometimes helpful to set up the baby's furniture in advance and let the youngster help assemble the infant's wearing apparel.

**Tricking a child, in the smallest way, may
shake his faith. Don't think you'll get away with
subterfuge, because even a baby can catch you up!**



Roche

Today, few of us frighten our children with bogies, but many modern substitutes have been invented. For the city child, it's often the park employee who is conjured up as being all-powerful and severe, or the policeman with his heavy stick. "If you don't go to sleep," a mother warns, "the park man won't let you go on the slide tomorrow." Why not a simple, "If you don't go to sleep, you're going to be too tired to enjoy sliding."

Mothers sometimes go to great lengths to keep from telling the simple truth. Recently, at an intersection, I overheard this conversation. "Jean," the mother said, grabbing her daughter's wrist, "always take my hand when we cross the street."

"What will happen if I don't?" the child asked. "That policeman who's directing traffic will come after you with his big stick."

A truthful, and better, answer would have been, "Because there are cars on the street, and I want to keep you from being hit by them." In this case, the simple answer is not only the truth, but it promotes understanding of a strict rule of childhood. When the youngster starts crossing streets by himself, he must watch out for cars not because of a policeman with a stick, but because he wants to avoid being run over. Here, parental honesty helps build independence.

Children are amazing in their ability to detect devious maneuvers on the part of parents. On nights when you try to hurry them off to bed, they seem to be particularly balky and dilatory about their bedtime chores. They sense the feeling of urgency and use any number of delaying tactics. Telling them frankly what all the hurry is about may not get them to bed earlier than usual, but it's more than likely to clear the



Mother never tries to "slip out." The truth may be painful at first, but wins trust

air a bit and ease your own feeling of irritation and annoyance.

One of the hardest things about honesty is being honest about yourself. Admitting to a child that Mother and Dad are sometimes wrong can be a refreshing experience, both for the parents, who sometimes must restrain themselves from being too omnipotent, and to the child, who needs to learn gradually that his ideals aren't perfect. Parents who gradually keep lowering the pedestals on which their children place them are taking a long step toward helping them acquire understanding of human nature.

When a parent has punished a child wrongfully, or blamed a child for a mistake which was not his, the parent will find wholesome family relations stimulated by a frank admission of the error. Sometime try imagining yourself in the position of the four-year-old, constantly seeing and trying to imitate the perfection of the never-spilling, never-soiling, never-weeping adult. He can never attain such per-



Dad cheerfully admits his mistake, does not excuse his own carelessness

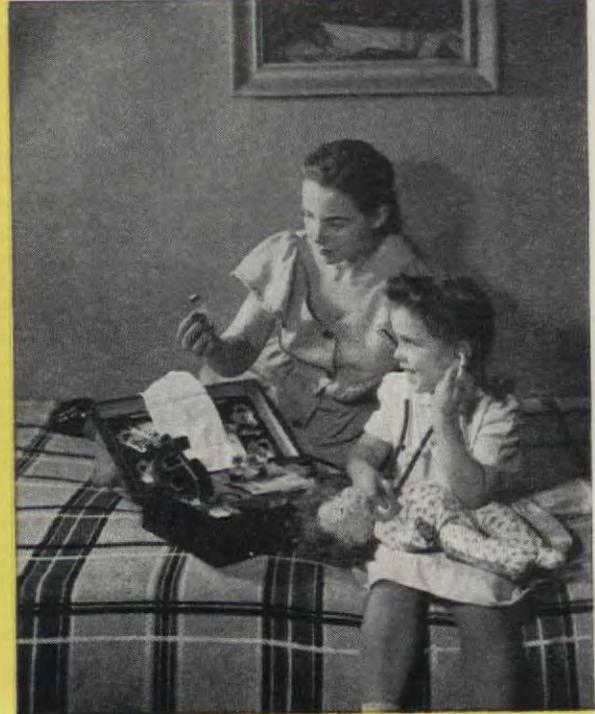
fection during childhood, and, if the goal is set too high for him, he may become permanently discouraged. An occasional incident which brings the parent down to his level—responsibility for a careless accident freely acknowledged, the admission of a mistake—not only delights him but makes it possible for him to keep his imitative goal in sight.

Although there is probably no such thing as too much honesty, honesty at the wrong time, or in incorrect doses, can be harmful. For example, Mrs. Brown took little Joan to nursery school every day for one week. Each day she waited until Joan had forgotten her and was playing happily with her classmates. Then she interrupted whatever they were doing and said, "Mommy's going now, Joan." At this point, Joan always burst into a

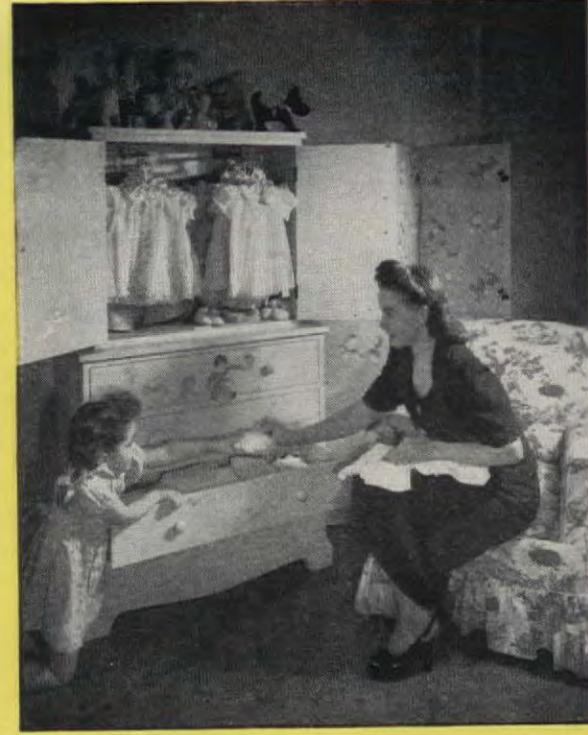
flood of tears. This mother was being conscientiously honest, but her timing was poor. Certainly she should not have abandoned Joan and slipped out like a thief. But after the first few days of adjustment, she could have explained to the child, "Mommy is going to stay until she's sure you're having fun, and then she'll leave to do her errands. She'll be back to call for you at lunchtime." Chances are that the child, with fair warning, would not have noticed her disappearance.

Dishonesty with children may be a frequent temptation. But remember that honesty implies a respect for the child as a human being, and it is catching. Play square with your youngsters, and they'll not learn how to lie and cheat at home. Honest parents usually raise honest children.

Photographs by F. M. Demarest



"This is what the doctor will do" paves way for examination



Judy learns that a baby's coming, is prepared for change

MARY E. MONZE

The experiences of Mr. and Mrs. David Perazzo, who after endless searching found a run-down basement apartment and transformed it into a cheerful, livable home, should prove inspiring to others faced with the problem of making an attractive home out of seemingly impossible quarters. The apartment had not been lived in for five years. It was dark, forlorn, and forbidding, but the Perazzos were desperately in need of it and took it. They did all the cleaning, painting, and necessary built-ins, themselves. Mrs. Perazzo made all the curtains and draperies out of the least expensive materials she could find. Sailcloth, corduroys, and cotton dress materials from the dress-goods counters helped to keep the decorating budget in line and dispositions even.

Together they decorated the bedroom walls with flowers and scrolls. Their use of color gives the apartment a fresh, youthful look. Enthusiasm and hours and hours of hard labor has paid rich dividends in final results. Living-room walls are done in a bright dark-green paint. Ceiling and woodwork are white. Rug is red. Draperies and valance are bright-red sailcloth, matching the red lining of bookcases. White marquissette glass curtains are hung very full at all windows to help shut out the unpleasant view and add light to the rooms.

All the furniture is inexpensive, bought at out-of-the-way places. They call themselves "antique ransackers" because they sought out dusty antique shops rather than the expensive ones. Not much thought was given to periods or styles, although French Provincial and Duncan Phyfe predominate. They bought what they could find for the price they could pay, and happily it all fits and looks well together. Two chests and a chair were too far gone to be refinished, so Mr. Perazzo painted and decorated them in the Peter Hunt style. The wing chair by the fireplace has its original crewel-embroidered covering.

A little hall joins the living room and bedrooms and serves as a picture gallery. Mr. Perazzo's hobby is photography, and his pictures are displayed here. There is room enough for a small table and a pair of chairs which are sometimes used for dining. Walls are a bright yellow. Two bedrooms are worked out exceptionally well. Even ugly overhead pipes appear inoffensive painted the ceiling



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A basement blooms in Brooklyn

and the David Perazzos achieve the seemingly

impossible in a dark, bleak

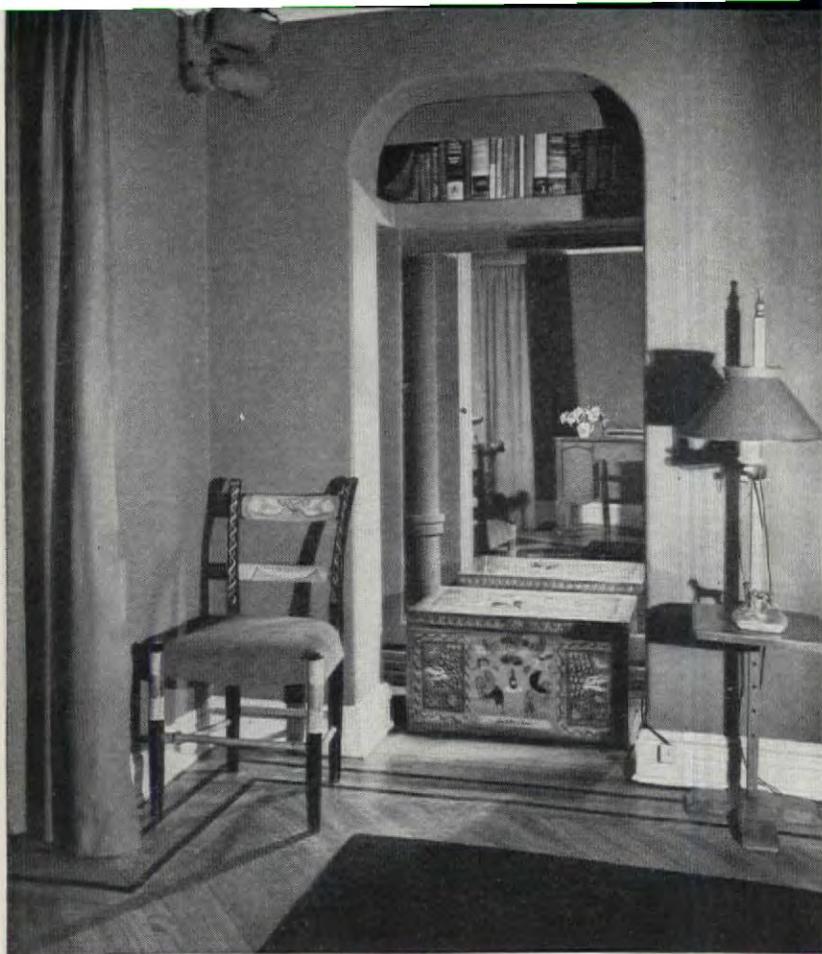
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youthful determination



and hard work make a real and colorful home of it





● Mirror on wall and colorful chest painted in rich peasant style transforms dark useless closet. Built-in shelf for books adds further interest. Ladder-back chair and low chest decorated by Mr. Perazzo

● Old Limoges game plates by Haviland look well against dark-green wall, make simple attractive mantel arrangement. Armless tufted chair with deep fringe trimming has faded red cover. Old commode rejuvenated and decorated in gay provincial style adds pleasing note



and wall colors. The main bedroom has watermelon-pink walls, white woodwork, and decorations done in white and green. The idea of the flowers, painted on walls at corners, helps conceal uneven walls. An illustration in an old issue of *THE AMERICAN HOME* inspired this feature. Bed covers are dark green with bolsters monogrammed in white braid. These were designed by Mr. Perazzo. Draperies are of the same green material.

Powder-blue walls and white woodwork make a restful guest room. Dressing-table shelf with skirt of coin-dotted cotton in blue and white hides a radiator. Closets are built at either side of this. Draperies and curtain for bunk and bed cover are of this dotted fabric. Two old brass hanging lamps are electrified and equipped with swinging arms attached to side walls of closets to function as convenient dressing-table lamps.

Kitchen walls and ceiling are soft blue. Top of table and cupboards are watermelon pink. The old rubber-tiled floor has all the tiles, except the black squares, painted blue. Curtains are blue and pink washable cotton.



● The "Perazzos'" artistic hand is seen in scroll design around tiny fireplace in their bedroom. Decoration done in white against pink of wall is gay, sparkling

● Master bedroom and guest room, shown below, express youthful ideas, ingenuity and fearless use of color and design. Once narrow cell-like and dark, these rooms now are cheerful and gay



Fun to MAKE,

fun to WATCH

ETHEL M. EATON



Photographs by George H. Davis, Arnold Hebert of Breck's Seed Store co-operating

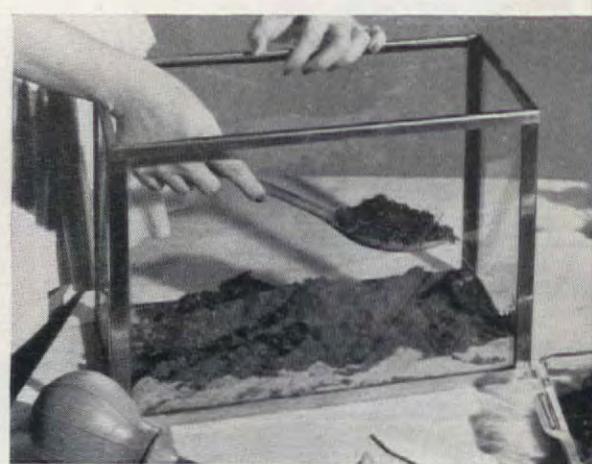
● Soil, moss, pebbles, plants can be gathered on fall walks through woods and pastures. If not obtained all at one time, keep plants moist, with soil around their roots until ready to assemble them. Before starting to collect, try to visualize the finished planting, then dig only as much suitable material as you will need so as to avoid unnecessary destruction of wild things. And see what plants in tiny pots your florist has

Terrariums are such fun to make and so fascinating to watch, that I wonder more people don't have them. Soil, moss, and suitable wild plant material can be found in fields and woodlands and along roadsides, and small pieces cut or broken from stems, rootstalks, or clumps will usually take root and soon grow into nice little plants. Tree seedlings are charming while small, and many tiny house plants, obtainable at the florist's or even at 5-and-10-cent stores, will thrive in a terrarium. Lichen-covered twigs or pebbles are interesting tucked in among the plants, as are bits of tree fungi. Specific directions for watering, ventilating, etc. vary with the location and size of the container, the kind of plants grown, and many other factors. But with a little experience, one soon learns what to do, and how, and when. Half the fun lies in the surprises that greet you, such as an exquisite blossom some morning where there was no sign of one before. One winter day, I was thrilled to find a butterfly!

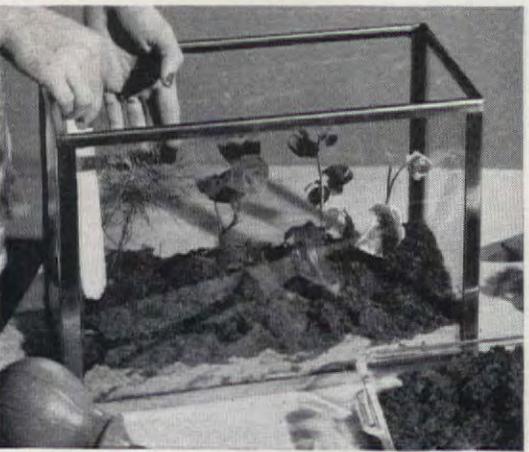


● To make a terrarium, spread an inch or two of clean, sharp sand in the bottom for drainage and on it a layer of chopped charcoal; bits of charred wood from the fireplace will do. If you don't want these layers to show, leave an inch of space between them

and the glass and line it with moss (any kind but sphagnum) placed with the root side inward. For soil, use leaf mold from the woods, if possible; otherwise a light mixture of pasture loam, peat moss, and sand. Whenever you can, include some of soil from the place the plants came from



● Spread the soil on the charcoal to a depth sufficient for the root mass of the plants. Heap it up at the back (if the terrarium is to be viewed only from one side), or grade it to an interestingly varied topography of miniature hills and valleys



● Now set the little plants in place, carefully embedding each one firmly in some of its own soil, on top of the sand, not pressed into the latter. Allow ample space for root growth and nourishment. Keep planting in scale with container. Don't crowd the material



● With plants installed, cover any bare soil with moss and, if desired, lay paths of sand or gravel and insert "boulders" and tiny stumps, etc. When everything is in order, sprinkle lightly with a fine spray, put a glass cover in place (see next picture), and watch your garden grow



● Keep a woodland terrarium out of full sun; a north window is ideal. But give succulents and cacti all the sun you can. Always water lightly. Ventilate if moisture condenses on glass, and if mold appears; also remove any affected plants



● Drexel Furniture Company's Handi-Tray Server from the New Travis Court Group in mahogany. Top drawer is actually a hostess tray which lifts out, has hand grips on side. Pacific Silver Cloth Tray included. Measures 36 x 19 x 34 in. high. Retail around \$110



● New-looking chrome dinette set by Balboa Chrome Furniture Co. Double chrome tubes make graceful cabriole legs, and chairs have continuous strip which forms cabriole leg at front, elegant curve for back leg. Top is colored glass, chairs upholstered in Duran



● New group of chest units from Kensington, Inc. Fronts of chests are shaped in gentle curves. Center unit has flat front, top drawer pulls out to reveal dressing space, cosmetic compartments. Square mirror lifts up

● Two unit chiffo-robe for a man from Morgan Furniture Co.'s new Spacemaker modern group, has English tray drawers for clothing, sliding dressing shelf with lift-up mirror. Base is chest. Comes in 30 or 40 inch width



● Big drum table by Colonial Manufacturing Co. Good looking top is of leather, is gold tooled around border. One drawer pulls out. Sides are of swirled mahogany veneer, base is mahogany. Place it in a bay window, flank it by a pair of chairs



● Pivot-top table in mellow-finished maple from H. T. Cushman Mfg. Co. has a swivel top which can be turned on base to seat four for dinner or bridge. With flap placed up against the wall it will make an attractive console. Closed it measures 15 x 30, opens to 30 x 30

● Separate server and china cabinet made by Heywood-Wakefield Co. Base server has tambour doors which slide into sides of cabinet and reveal generous storage space. Top compartment has sliding glass doors with adjustable shelves. Pieces are part of a dining-room grouping



● New cherry end table by Consider H. Willott, maker of Golden Beryl maple and the Wildwood Cherry pieces. Nicely detailed, table has a rimmed top, shelf for magazines, two handy drawers for such items as cards, score pads

● An extremely well-styled table for small price—around \$26! Top is mahogany veneer with line of boxwood inlaid around edge, underparts solid mahogany. Top is 22 inches in diameter, table height 27 inches. Brandt Cabinet Works



● Sturdy five-drawer bureau in solid maple from Burns Case Goods of Jamestown. Extra dividend is secretary space in the second drawer. Flap comes down to make writing surface. Pigeonholes for stationery, bills, keep things in order



● Bachelor chest in solid mahogany from Biggs Antique Company, left, is 34 x 19, is 34 inches high. \$152. Right, nested tables by Mersman Brothers. Top table is 16½ x 27, is 26 inches high. Top has holly inlay around edge, is real mahogany. A three-in-one value

● Arvin Chrome dinette set has new development in table-leaf design. 12 inch leaf is stored underneath table top, slips into place with simple hand operation. Mechanism is foolproof. Table can seat 8, will open to 34 x 62 inches. Chairs covered in Vinyl fabric. About \$100 set



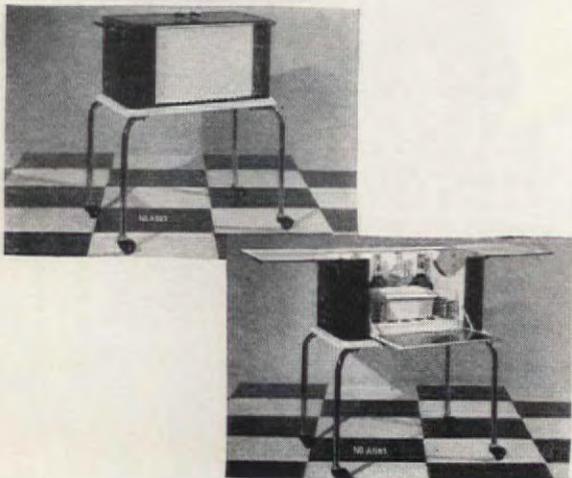
James M. Wiley

YOU GET MORE

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IN TODAY'S FURNITURE

Furniture which you buy today costs you more money. Yet in spite of higher costs, you get more value per dollar out of furniture today than you did in pre-war years. Things have been happening in the furniture industry in the last seven years, have been happening because *you*, the customer, demanded it. Designers, stylers, researchers, engineers have been called into a field where they hardly existed before. Aside from the marvelous strides made in construction—electronic gluing and bonding of veneers, for instance—there is a great swing to multi-purpose furniture. Most of the pieces on these pages perform double functions, therefore give double value.



● Usable Mixcrafter refreshment wagon is equipped with various-sized glasses plus an ice tub, plenty of room for bottles. Top opens and front lets down to provide mixing surface. Chrome legs with easy rolling casters allow you to whisk it out when company arrives. Created by Chromcraft

- Mahogany double dresser from the Mengel Company's new Gold Coast group; modern functionalism with 18th century styling. Dresser has famous Permanized construction. Price about \$125
- Simmons Hide-a-Bed comes in decorator fabrics. This handsome love seat deftly converts into three-quarter bed with luxurious innerspring mattress. \$189.50 to \$279.50 depending on upholstery
- This colorful dinette group was evolved by the Daystrom Corp. to satisfy demand for oval-shaped table. Table top available in brilliant colors, impervious to burns. Chairs in washable plastic

THESE GIVE DOUBLE SERVICE...



● Dress-Away chest by Cavalier is perfect guest-room solution. Cedar-lined section for clothes storage, top drawer with mirror lid makes convenient dressing table



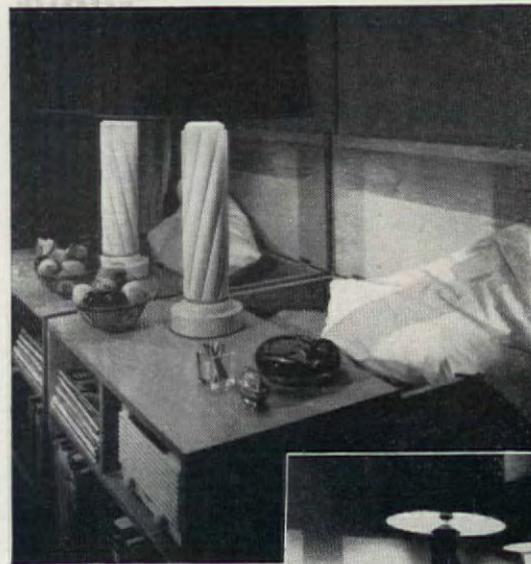
● Women, it seems, prefer oval-topped dinette sets. This table by Howell Co. is 30 x 48 closed, 30 x 60 with leaf inserted. Chairs are covered in DuPont plastic Fabrilite



● Desk top rests on two cabinets, expands from 54 to 80 inches. Cabinets may also be used as separate end tables. California Professional furniture by Karpen

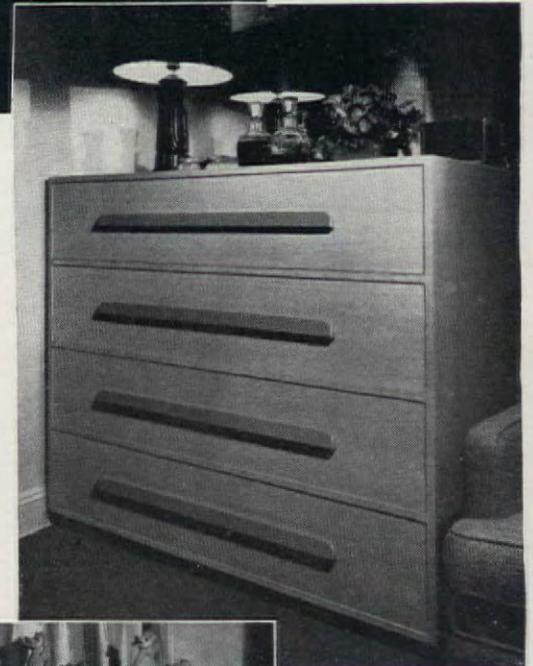
*Here's storage - and
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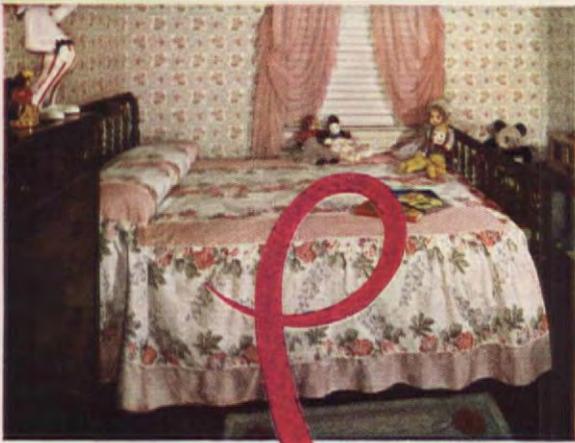
By careful planning of space and furniture, Bob Hill has transformed a minuscule bedroom, formerly occupied by his young niece, into a comfortable bedroom-sitting room, actually gaining amazing storage facilities plus a comfortable place in which to relax and enjoy his books and radio away from the main rooms of the house. Decoration planned and supervised by Mary E. Monze



Photographs, F. M. Demarest

● All storage pieces of oak, custom-built for room. Pieces specified were large chest, bookcase combined with small drawers, and corner piece containing shelves for radio, books and magazines, with storage space at back for bedding. Mirror wall, Celaloom curtains hung from ceiling, and wall-to-wall carpet give illusion of space to this small room





BEFORE



Ideas inspired by
our Decorating Department

Floral STRIPES



A wonderful high pink to give a lift to your spirits, warmth to a cold bedroom. The stylish stripe is Everfast's *Sharon*, 36 inches wide, a glazed chintz. Here the floral columns are cut out, applied on plain fabric of matching pink to make a deep border on draw curtains, valance, a skirt for the slipper chair

Sweet floral stripe in shades of blue and wine in Kandell's glazed chintz. Blossoms are neatly confined in borders, are easy to cut and applique. Applied in flat band edging top of quilted coverlet, gathered full for ruffling on the skirt, and pasted flat on lamp shade. Bed table is stool with plywood top

Crochet for dressing tables

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Helene Burmester

Adapted from Godey Prints. These crochet pieces, once the mark of milady's elegance, now add a touch of charm to dressing-table skirts. All three take shape from a ball of thread and your crochet needle in a matter of minutes

AMERICAN HOME PATTERN 1082

yield gay harvests

Perfect fabric for bedrooms—these columns of flowers. Use them for bordering, for ruffling, for trimmings of all kinds



Dark green is base color for walls of this city bedroom. Stripe was deliberately used horizontally for modern effect. Floral bands bordered by green were cut from fabric, employed for valance, coverlet, pasted on mirror frame and lamp shades. Pattern is *Weymouth*, Golding Bros. Pageantry Everglaze chintz

Swoosh bedroom built around Celanese Corporation's Clairanese pattern of *Taffeta Lace*. Draped fabric is caught up at intervals around dressing-table skirt of gathered organdy, is repeated in valances over full white lace curtains. Swag conceals gingerbread top on mirror. Fine-feathered hats on pegs are part of decoration



*A good wallpaper
makes a good room*

United Wallpaper's *Polo* pattern and Tru-grain's *American Walnut* from the Ullman Company make perfect background for boy's room shown on our cover. Serviceable green-and-white bedspreads are Burlington's. The green is matched in Lees-Cochrane's *Skyline Carpet*. White Celaloom draperies are set off by leather-laced valance. Furniture is built-in with exception of box springs, mattresses, deck chairs painted white





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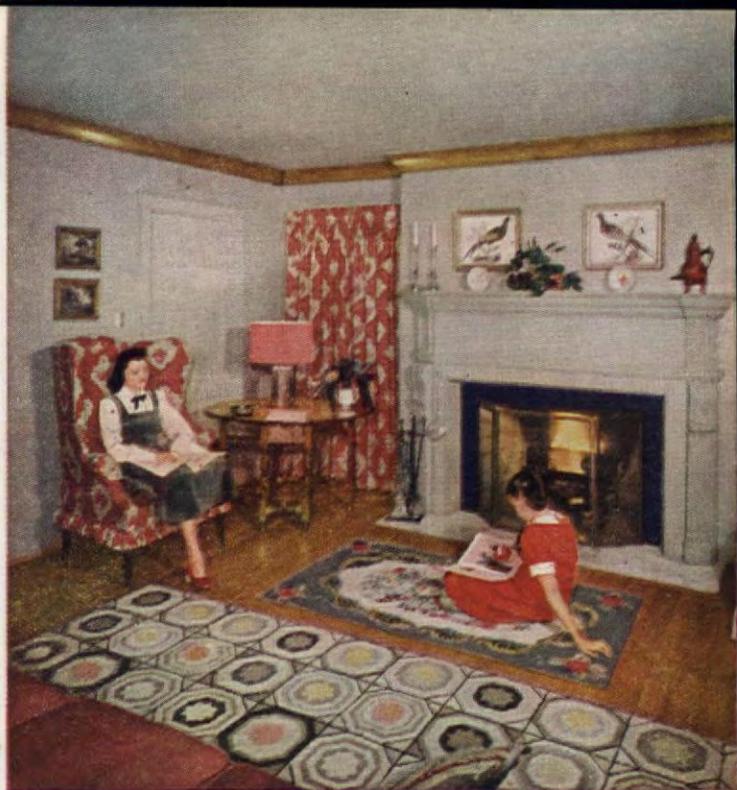
HOMES

If you would learn how to use antiques—study this house. There is enough noteworthy material in this house concerning Early American furniture, accessories and decorating to fill a book. Since it is such an excellent example of all that is good, we will concern ourselves primarily with an analysis and description of it, except for a brief sketch of the four charming people who were most intimately concerned with it from the beginning.

The house is owned by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chandler, Jr., and their daughter Carol. It is set well back from the street on a pleasant lane in a newer residential section of Dallas, Texas. The exterior of the house is of shell stone painted Williamsburg gray which is subtly contrasted with light-gray wood trim.

Bill and Suzy Chandler are a couple who found what they wanted. When and how they discovered their first antique is another story. Sufficient to say that they “got the bug” some years ago, decided they wanted a house furnished with all the charm of excellent old colonial pieces but, somehow, blended with all the comfort and convenience of twentieth-century living.

The house they bought themselves from its previous owner. The furnishings were acquired through the years with the advice and counsel of good friend Lila Adams Titley, member of the American Institute of Decorators. Mrs. Titley’s fine knowledge and excellent taste have kept Bill and Suzy’s standards high; as a result many of their pieces are actually of museum calibre, and they have the satisfaction of knowing that not a penny of money was badly invested, no time was wasted on “pseudo antiques” of dubious value.



Not a major piece of antique furniture in this house was acquired "for a song." Most were purchased for the Chandlers by decorator Tittley through reliable sources, and they cost cold hard cash. But every one of them would fetch more than the original purchase price in the current antiques market. It is nevertheless true that a few antiques of considerable merit were found by the Chandlers themselves and were actually repaired and refinished by Bill Chandler in his own workshop. Many of the accessories were tracked down by the owners. The majority of the braided and hooked rugs were made by Suzy Chandler. Other evidence of their handwork may be found throughout the house. But this is no "We Did It All for \$50" story, though it has its overtones. It is instead a presentation of a beautiful job of collaboration between experienced decorator and clients who had the desire and the wherewithal to get what they wanted. By publishing it (and by your studying it), we can show you many fine points which should be of value to you, if this is the kind of house you would like to have.



● Fine swing-leg table behind sofa has well-proportioned cabriole legs ending in pad foot. Wood is maple, indicating it is colonial American form of Queen Anne prototype. Table was found covered with paint, hinge missing. Now is prize piece. Lowboy by wing chair is of magnificent curly maple

● Old fall-front desk holds lamp made from pewter candlestick. Gift from friend started collection of silhouettes which hangs above desk. Rug in living room was made by Mrs. Chandler. Oak chair at left of desk shows provincial Jacobean influence in back turnings, but pad foot dates it somewhat later

● Library was once two-car garage. Steps at right lead to dining room. On stair wall is rare 17th century Swiss chest with original painted designs—somewhat faded but intact. Floor is brick laid in herringbone pattern, finished with brown wax. Flowers in foreground are contained in antique brass deed box

First of all accept the fact that the antique furnishings are worthy of your study. American Home's editors were actually in the house, carefully examined the furniture, and its quality is comparable to the finest you can find in any of the antique markets, or in many museums for that matter.

Secondly, study the backgrounds: the document wallpapers, the pine walls, planked floors, beamed ceilings; the paint colors, the fabrics; the fireplaces, the bricked floor in the library. Though all these are modern materials of recent manufacture, they are authentic in feeling and form, and are in undistributed harmony with everything else in the house.

Third, give long and careful attention to the accessorizing of these rooms. There is a lesson to be learned here! By accessories we mean the myriad of small things—bibelots, pictures, lamps, ash trays, things of pewter, copper and brass—which take the sterile quality from rooms and give them life, character, personality. The furniture and accessory groupings are so good, so well arranged, that a camera can be pointed to almost any group in the house and achieve a study in composition, line, and balance.

The dining room (top, page 40) has a ceiling painted in a particular shade of blue-tinged red; the document wallpaper repeats the color and is printed in this country from antique French wood blocks. The table, chairs, and the cupboard filled with pewter are of oak—oak so old that it has a fine, black, smoky patina, is worn and waxed to a soft gleam. Pewter plates are often used for broiled steaks. That's Mrs. Chandler and the breakfast room beyond; you turn left into the kitchen and on into the big informal living-dining room at the back of the house.

The front living room (top right, page 40) has Wedgewood blue walls, draperies and wing chair in Egyptian cotton print. Rugs were made by Mrs. Chandler. Framed birds over the mantel were painstakingly formed of real feathers. The lowboy tucked behind the wing chair (top left, page 41) is extremely fine, made of close-grained curly maple. Old picture above it is painted on glass in reverse. The tall clock keeps very good time.

Young Carol's bedroom (lower left, page 40) has an old maple tester bed. By the bed is a tiny near-twin for her favorite doll. Wallpaper is a



● Mrs. Chandler has extensive collection of onion-patterned Meissen, some of which is displayed in this corner cupboard at one end of large living-dining room. Piece is very early, made of pine, with interior painted same red as dining-room ceiling. Floors in room are hand-peggged. Walls are rough vertical pine boards in random widths which are finished with wax

● A tea set of unusual gaudy Welsh pattern rests on shelves of this ancient pine cabinet. Chair in corner is very early English yeoman's chair with splayed sides, probably ancestor or rough country version of wing chair. Identifying characteristics of Jacobean cricket table are the wood (oak), round top, three-legged base. Probably mid-17th century

typical small-scale print, has been varnished as of old.

The library on the same page was originally the two-car garage. Walls are pine boards, the floor was laid in herringbone brick pattern, given two coats of brown wax, a clear coat of wax, and hours of rubbing. Seat and back of the winged love seat are upholstered with an old quilt.

The big living-dining room at the rear of the house (see picture and plan, page 39) is the hub of family life and entertaining. Steaks and chickens are often grilled in the huge fireplace. Some of the fine pieces in this room: the pine cupboard behind Mr. Chandler (see also page 42), the old wing chair, tavern table beside it, dough table, the set of bow-back chairs. Note particularly the collection of Americana in accessories.

Master bedroom (center picture, page 43) has the first antique acquired by the Chandlers: the button turned bed. The coverlet is blue and white needlework. Wing chair and window valances are of madder red homespun. All the furniture, excepting the wing chair, is antique.

Guest bedroom (bottom, page 43) ceiling and woodwork are painted Indian red; paper has tiny pattern of roses. The maple highboy opposite the bed is worth mention, as are the twin bow-back chairs and the dressing table. An old friendship quilt is used for bed coverlet.

Venetian blinds were omitted throughout the house; the bedrooms have window shades for privacy.

The Chandlers get and give a great deal of pleasure when they share their home with members of the Hobbies and Crafts Club, and other Dallas groups interested in antiques. Each year honor students of the decorating class of Southern Methodist University are invited over for a party. The big common room accommodates them easily, performs handsomely. The Chandler kitchen is examined in further detail elsewhere in this issue.



● In group at left of fireplace in big room is this old dough table of pine. Top is removable. Early settlers mixed bread dough in quantity in trough, sometimes covered table with old quilts to warm dough into rising before baking. Lamp base of pressed brass was once hanging lantern, has shade of Indian red book linen. Mortars and pestles are used as book ends



● Sunny breakfast room, left, has one wall of provincial paper, glazed for protection, three other walls and ceiling painted bright yellow which continues into adjoining kitchen. Oak ladder-back chairs are used with pine hutch table. Rack on wall holds old brown Bennington ware. Part of house was air conditioned to better combat blistering heat of long Texas summer

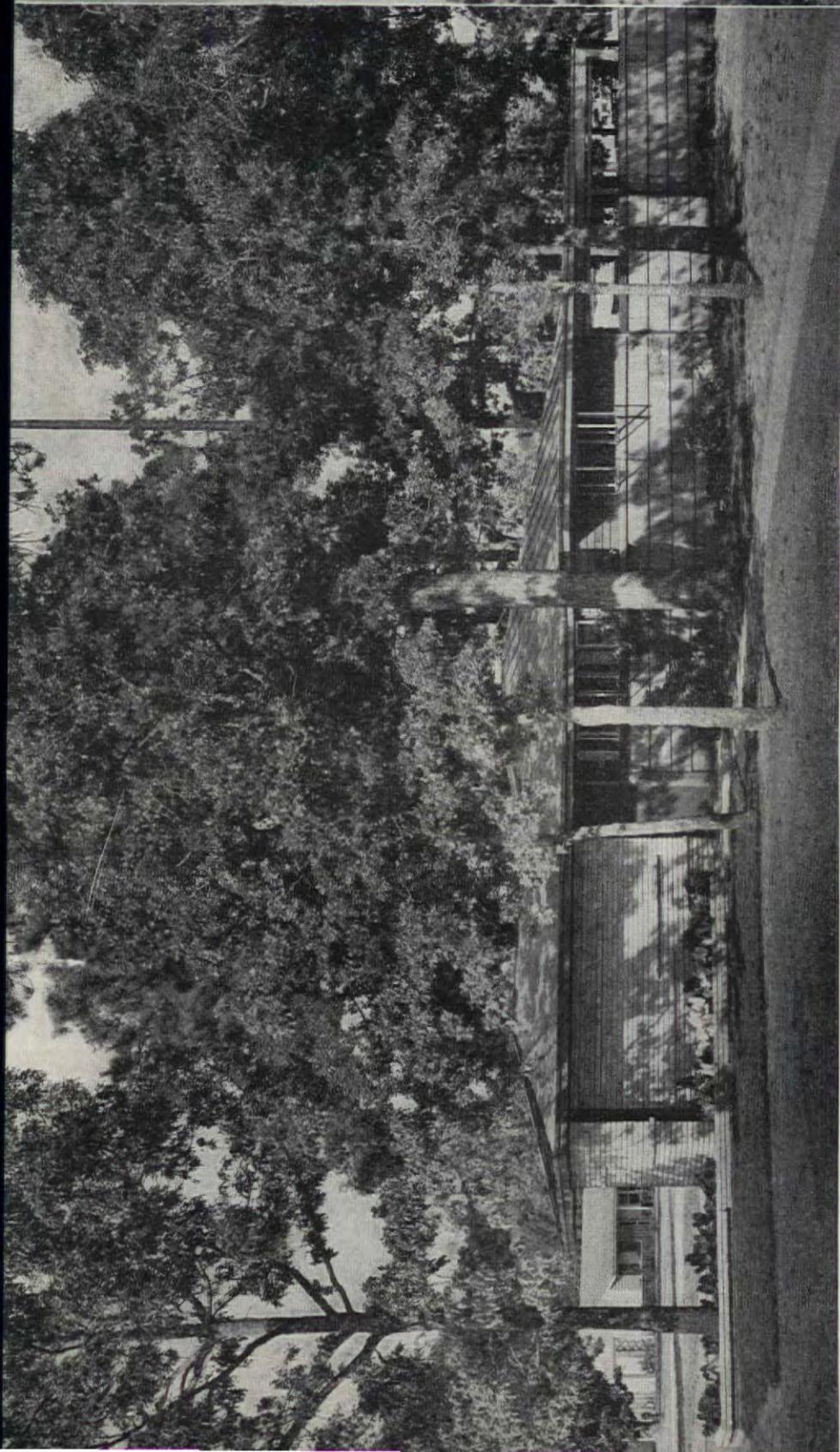


● Master bedroom's turned poster bed was first antique bought by Chandlers. Typical Queen Anne wing chair wears homespun slip cover. Fireplace is painted slate blue to match blue and red design in wallpaper. Curtains are white ruffled organdy

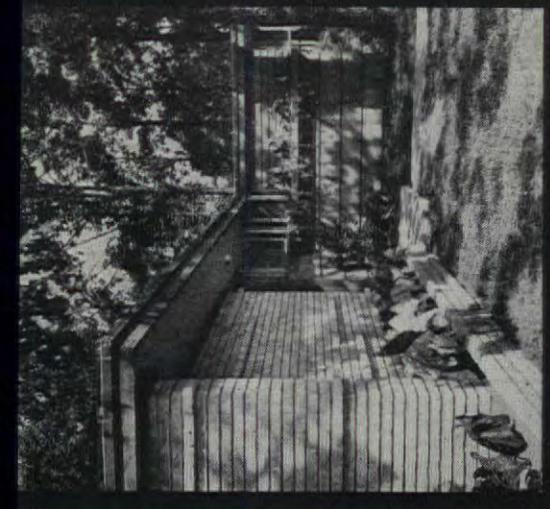


● Pine drop-leaf table is beautifully aged, of generous size. Accessories deftly arranged. Old highboy in guest bedroom is fine American version in maple of Queen Anne style, usually of walnut





Landscape plants furnished by Hans Petersen



Quality House with plot

\$15,000

It was no accident of fate that MacKie and Kamrath, Houston architects, were asked to build this first of eight houses sponsored by the Revere Quality Institute, organized by Revere Copper and Brass, Inc. in association with the *Architectural Forum* magazine. These houses were to prove once and for all that the average homeowner could be guaranteed a well-designed, well-built house, using nothing but quality products, even at today's skyrocketing prices. Because they had spent years of research in the residential field, the two Texans were "naturals" when a team was selected to represent the Southwestern part of the country. To test the formula, Mr. Kamrath used the problem as the basis for the home he'd like for his own family. Frank W. Sharp, Houston builder, carried out the plans.

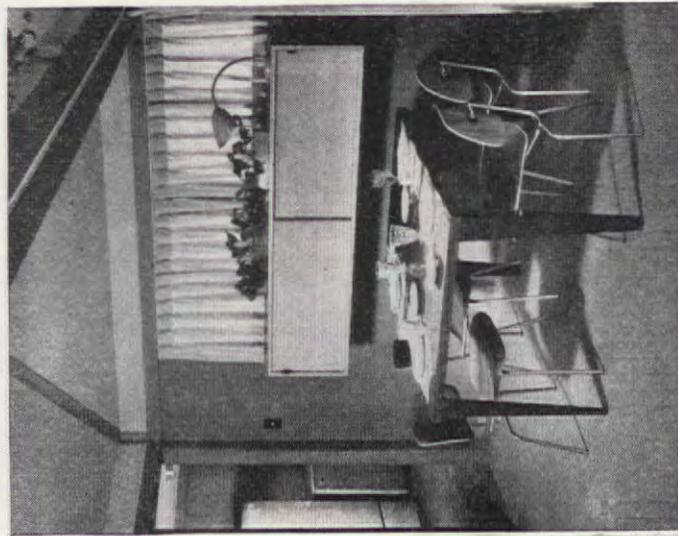
The Kamraths are a typical American couple with a definite contemporary outlook on life. Like thousands of other couples, they love sports and gardening and believe it important

to combine outdoor with indoor living. Therefore, land and house were designed as integral parts of a whole. In the living room an indoor garden overflows with growing plants with a large picture window to help bring the surrounding garden indoors. To further carry out this theme, all interiors closely simulate the exterior colors. Warm-pink adobe brick and wood paneling are complemented with moss-green carpets, leaf-brown or leaf-yellow in draperies. The Mexican adobe brick is repeated on the exteriors, combined picturesquely with redwood siding and cedar shingles on the walls. Roof, flashings, door and window screens are of enduring copper. In fact, materials were selected with an eye to minimum maintenance as well as for weathering qualities. Comfort, too, came in for major consideration in the physical

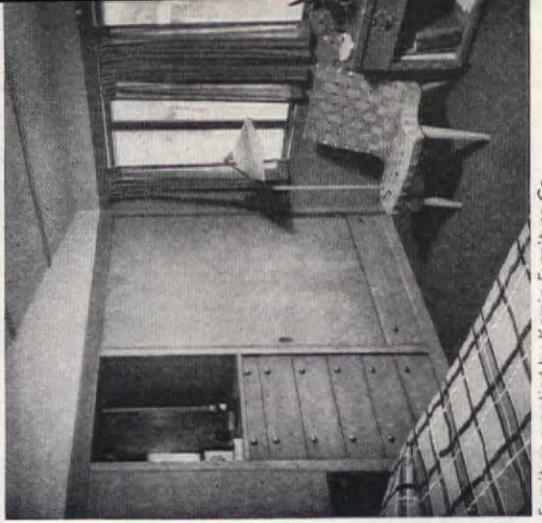
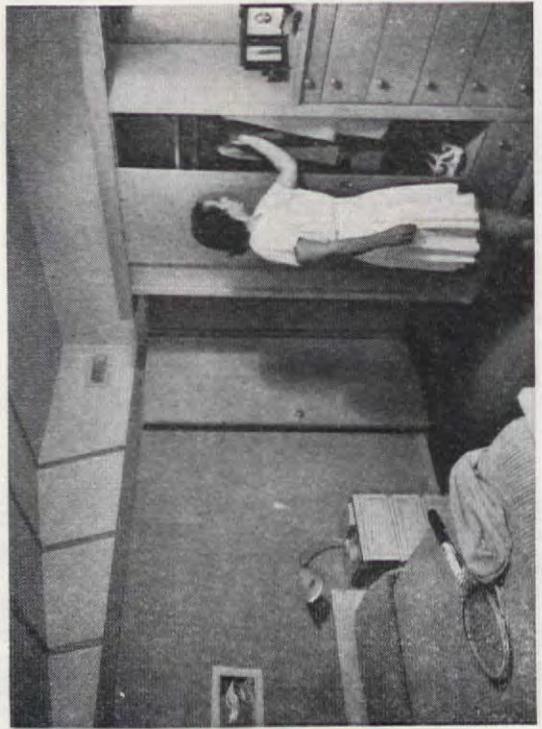
- Dining room can be made part of living room when curtain of yellow casement cloth hung from beam is pulled open. Ceilings follow natural slope of roof and are covered with Textoned Sheetrock; walls are of mahogany plywood. Hanging cupboard has natural linen-crash finish, leather pulls

- Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kamrath entertain friends in modern living room. Pink adobe brick of exterior wall is repeated on interior and, combined with inset plant boxes, gives outdoor atmosphere. Corner plant box has Ventaglass wall, Hans Knoll and Charles Eames furniture used throughout

- Recreation room which may double as extra guest bedroom is separated from living room by Modernfold curtains with sea-spray green fabricoid covering. Storage wall divides area from bedroom, providing ample closet space on either side. Bedrooms each have built-in dressers of fir



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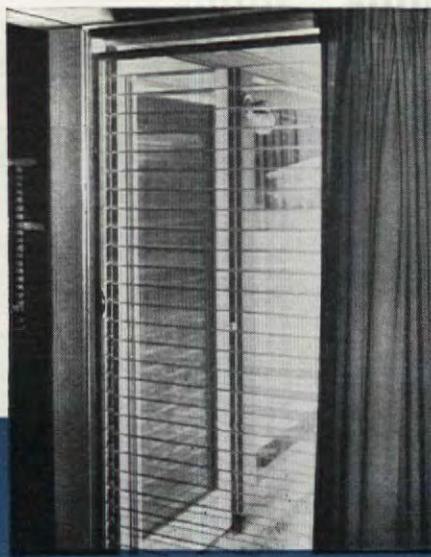
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SUCH GENEROUS STORAGE SPACE IS SELDOM FOUND IN SO SMALL A HOUSE

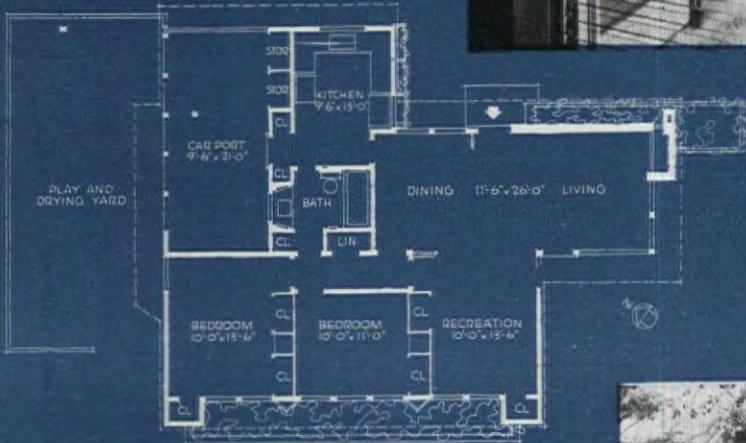
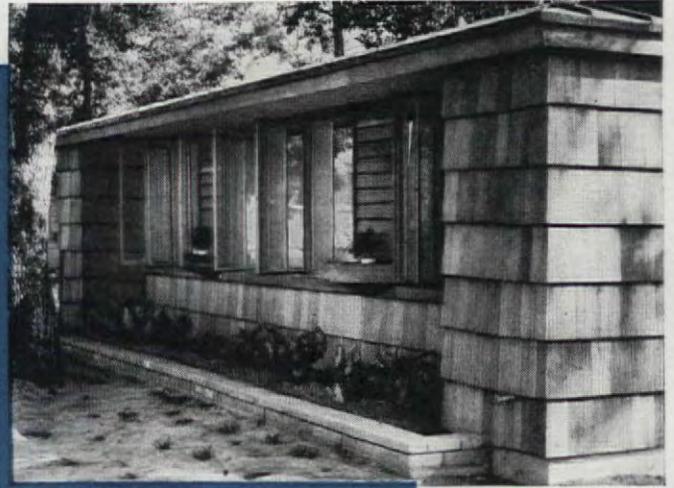
Revere Quality House

Houston, Texas

Mackie and Kamrath, architects



set-up of the house; under the copper roof is a blanket of rock-wool insulation with Sheetrock as added protection against heat and cold. Eaves have sufficient overhang to exclude rays of the summer sun and also to allow windows to remain wide open even during sudden showers. For further comfort, a centrally located attic fan brings coolness in summer while winter chills are dissipated by a warm-air furnace, also in the attic, thermostatically controlled and connected by ducts to all rooms. Like other good housekeepers, Mrs. Kamrath wanted plenty of closet space. Fourteen closets add up to twenty-six lineal feet of storage.



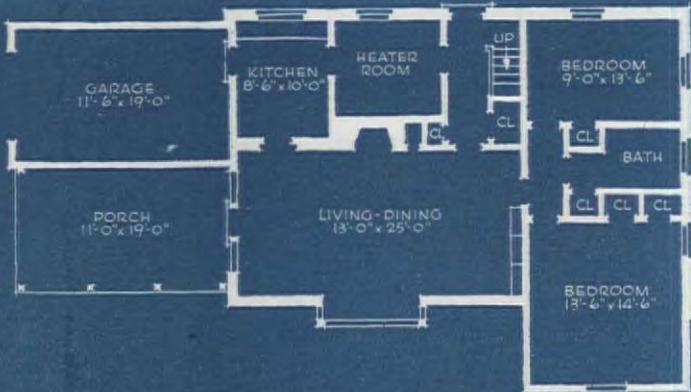
● Revere Quality House is as modern in detail as it is in plan. Opaque Ventaglass assures privacy, at the same time affording maximum ventilation through doors; car-port door slides shut to form wall extension. In plan, outside entrance from garage through kitchen to bathroom makes it ideal for children, saves muddy footmarks in main house; flexible partitions make one room out of three



Home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Quayle

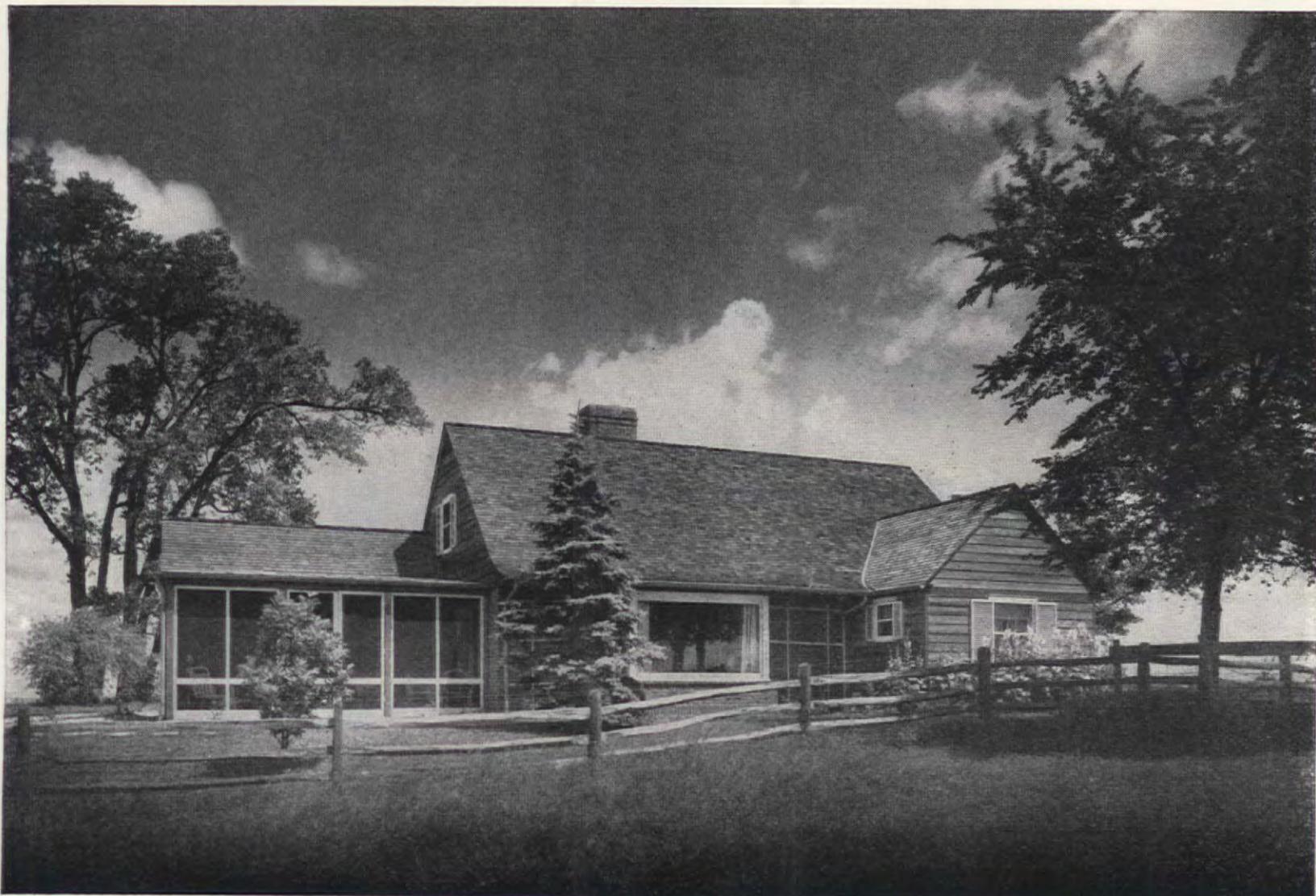
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● The more conventional plan of the Quayle house should appeal to couples with active youngsters. There's plenty of room behind the split-rail fence for the small fry to play, away from the grazing horses in the next field. Rainy day activities may be pursued on the extra-large, screened-in living porch





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Prepared for Bigger Things

Though it's only four rooms now and plenty

adequate for the Quayle family's needs,

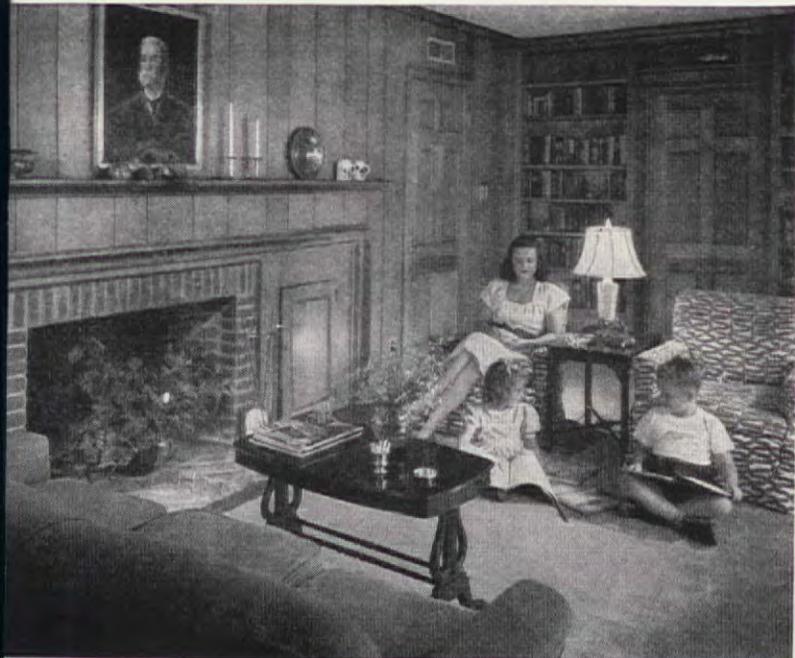
there's room for future expansion on the second floor

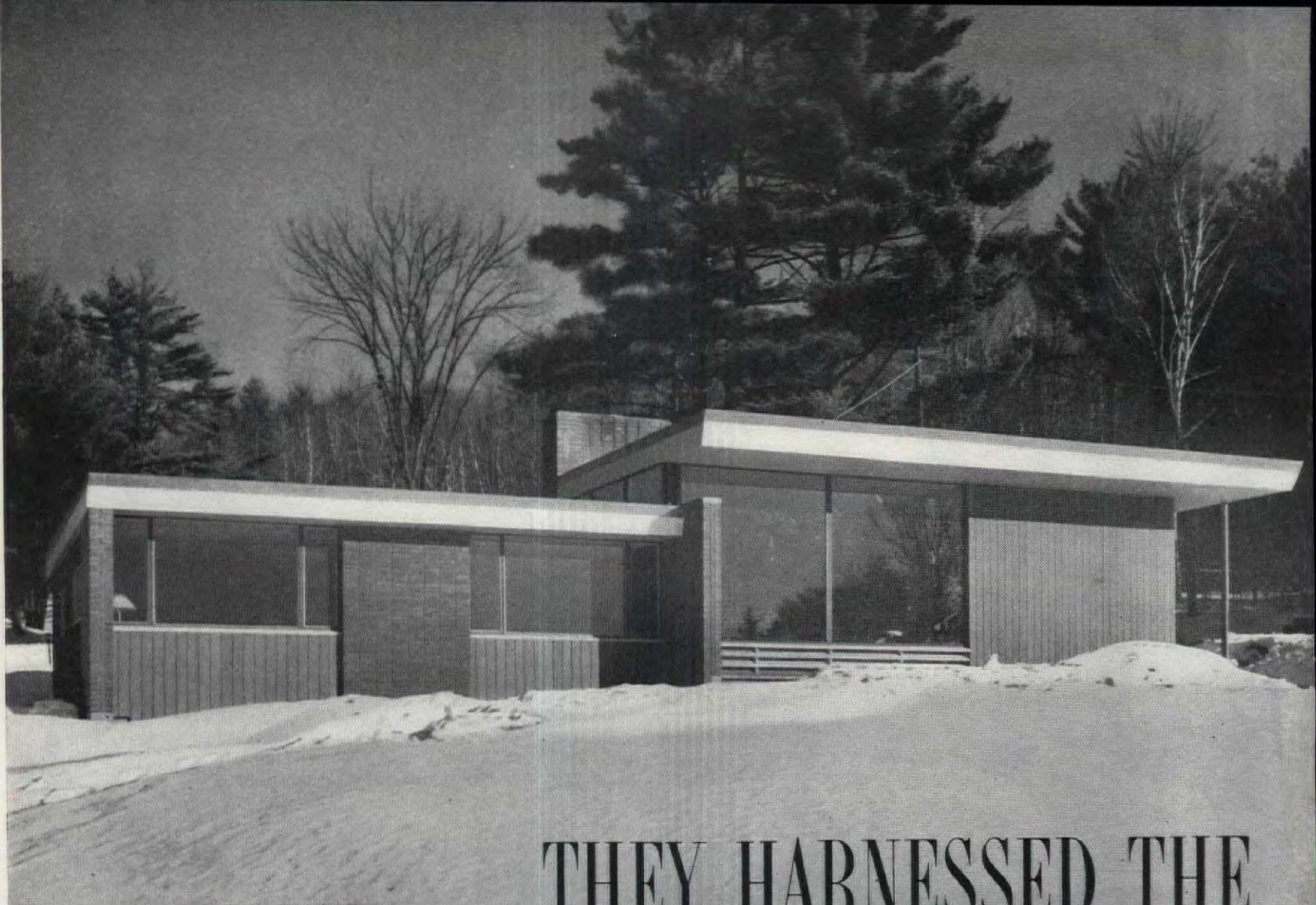
● Mrs. Quayle with Bobby and Mary Jon seen before fireplace in the comfortable pine-paneled living room. In the foreground a red textured sofa faces a pair of green-and-white chintz lounge chairs which match the draperies at windows

RUTH W. LEE

While the children are small, the four-room home of the Henry Quayles is more than adequate for their needs. In fact it was part of a definite plan since the owners are avid gardeners and riding enthusiasts and therefore didn't want to be burdened with a house any larger than necessary. But they realized that children will grow and take on new interests and more friends. That's why two rooms and bath were planned on the upper floor as part of the future expansion program. The stairway is already built, awaiting the day when growing pains are bound to occur.

Meantime, housekeeping is simple with two bedrooms, a combination living-dining room, kitchen, screened porch, and garage. There's much to recommend the house and its plan for a family with growing children. The pleasant exterior of toast-colored brick, combined with natural redwood and white shutters and trim, fits gracefully into the surrounding meadows. A split-rail fence gives the children protected play space while their horses roam and graze in the fields beyond. The large screened porch is located most conveniently for outdoor dining and living. Inside we find the same country-house charm. The pine-paneled living room with flush fireplace and enormous picture window is most informal and, more dear to the housekeeper's heart, proof against finger marks of the small fry. A small hallway leads to the two bedrooms; one now occupied by the two children with ample space for two beds, toys, play table and chests, and within easy earshot of the master bedroom. The large screened porch is at the other end of the house, and kitchen and utility room are both centrally located.

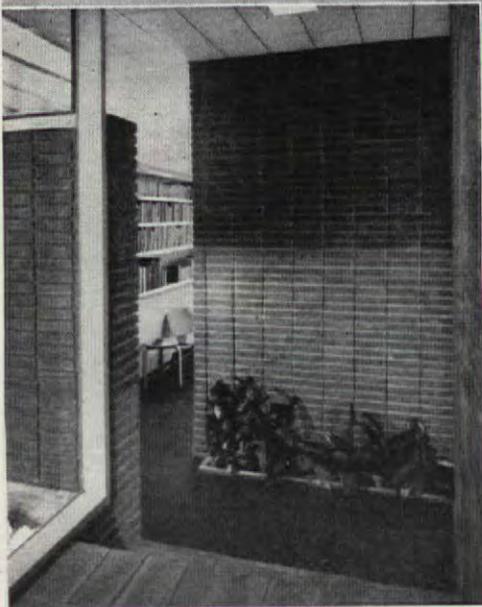




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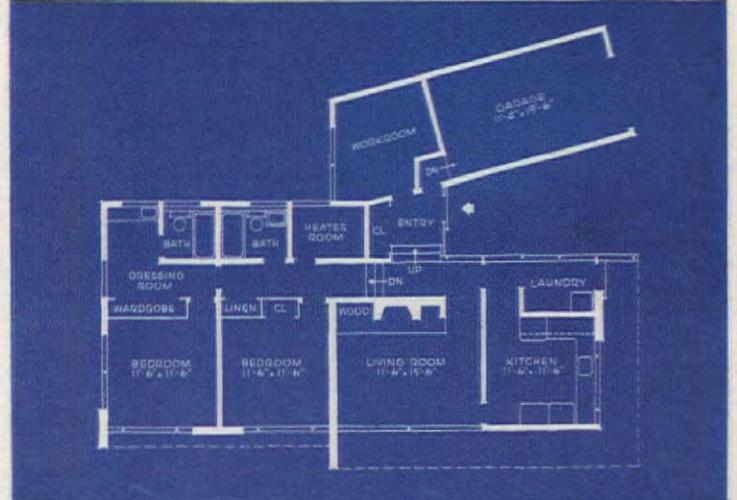
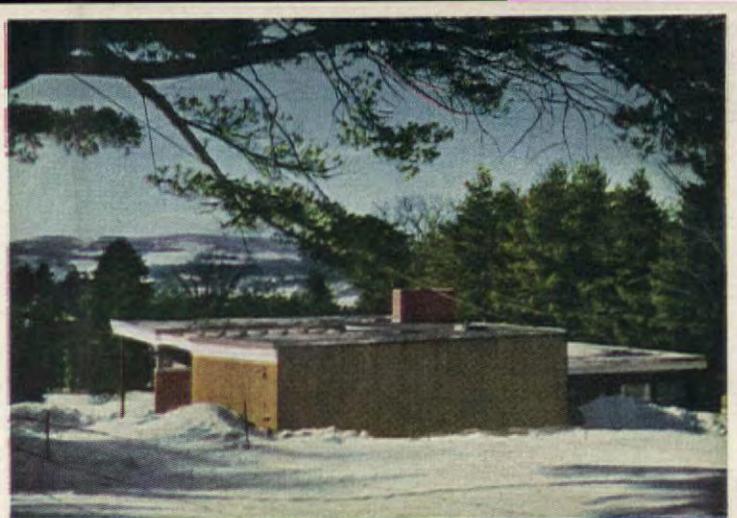
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Prize-winning New Hampshire house
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Started when building restriction confined a house to 15,000 square feet, this modern house actually did its expansion during erection because the maximum size was increased 500 square feet during that period. It is the home of a college professor and his wife, who is an expert weaver of modern rugs and fabrics. Therefore, one of the basic requirements was a well-lighted workshop. The two bedrooms were added to the plan during the course of building, although provision had been made at the very beginning. Several things had great bearing on the finished design—first of all, site and program. The plot slopes appreciably from the west and north; dense woodlands and a brook are on the latter exposure. The street of the one-acre lot is to the south; the magnificent view of New England hills to the west.

In order to capture this view, the entire west wall of the house is of glass; in the living room, the fixed sash actually reach from floor to ceiling. Since this room is not over-large and serves as both living and dining room, an attempt was made to achieve a feeling of space that was not actually there. In part, this was done by the large glass areas but, in reality, the greatest contributor to the effect was the use of a small lally column at the juncture of the west wall and the brick abutting wall with its high windows. The effect is really quite startling. The ceiling looks as if it were floating because, in extension, it also becomes the soffit of the wide exterior overhanging eaves. Fire-resisting materials have been used throughout the house. Its framing masonry and lally columns carry light steel beams and open-webbed steel joists. Extending from the fireplace wall at right angles is a brick cavity wall, the brick laid with header joints aligning and extending beyond the west house wall to form a wind-breaking buttress. Where brick is not used, the exterior walls are of vertical cypress siding, stained with a gray preservative. The clear pine trim is also gray.



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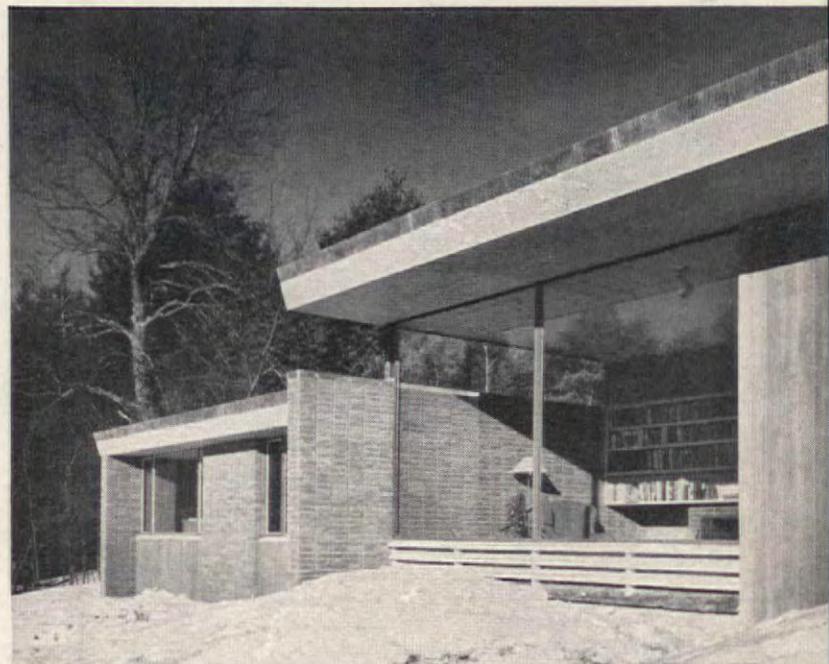
E. H. and M. K. Hunter, architects

SUN

meets challenge of New England weather variations
solar control, and summer cooling system on the roof



● Throughout the house the juxtaposition of heavy masonry and light framing was used for wind bracing and esthetic contrast. Red-birch plywood thus vies for focal interest in living room with modular brick wall pattern, and the insulating glass of sash



● House combats variations of New England climate by use of solid brick walls, large glass areas with heavy overhanging eaves for solar control. Roof is flat, built-up; eave flashing provides for one inch of water for summer cooling



MIAMI MODERN — RIGHT DOWN TO THE GROUND!

JANE FISHER



Photographs by Rodney McCay Morgan

If you don't know Miami, Florida, and its environs, it may be difficult to visualize how the huge dredges suck up the bay-bottom sand and spew it out through long pipes to make new land. Will Rogers once said, "The dredge is the national emblem of Florida." The sand spreads, water drains off, and the sand "sweetens" in the sun for six months and, when bleached, resembles white icing on a cake. Topsoil is hauled in . . . streets made . . . sidewalks laid . . . homes built, and a new community is started almost before one

realizes that a whole new horizon has been created.

It was in just such a development that Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Moore, Jr., built their modern home. The wind swept over the new-made land. The sun beat down unmercifully on the glistening white sand. A typical Florida subdivision! But trees can be transplanted, grass and shrubs grow almost overnight, and from a bleak, ugly scene, an oasis magically springs. Nature gets a "new look" fast!

The Moores didn't shut out the sun and wind from their open living room, they controlled them

with ceiling-to-floor sliding glass doors and draperies. The ceiling of this room reveals the slant of the roof, and the lights are concealed in a box beneath three clerestory windows. The color scheme is cocoa brown and chartreuse, with accents of scarlet which may have been taken from the bright blooms of the hibiscus hedge seen from the living room. The fireplace perches—off the floor and almost in the middle of a wall of knotty pine. No, not wood, but knotty-pine wallpaper. All the other walls are plain chartreuse. The dra-

- The plant-filled partition pleasantly separates the living and dining areas of this spacious room. Clerestory windows and boxed lights provide ample soft light either day or night for the area across from the large sliding doors. A modern raised fireplace accents the simplicity of the rather high wall

- Two comfortable chairs and a cozy banquette insure convenient dining for four, with no person having to wrestle with a table leg. Prized china is displayed in shelves above banquette. Light from the sliding doors and overhead makes the area cheerful

- The guest room has three dusty-pink walls and one gray. Built-in storage is located on the gray wall which appears in the mirror. The gray appears again in the dressing table, and the dusty pink is repeated in the bedspreads. The upholstered frames for the window and mirror are very effective



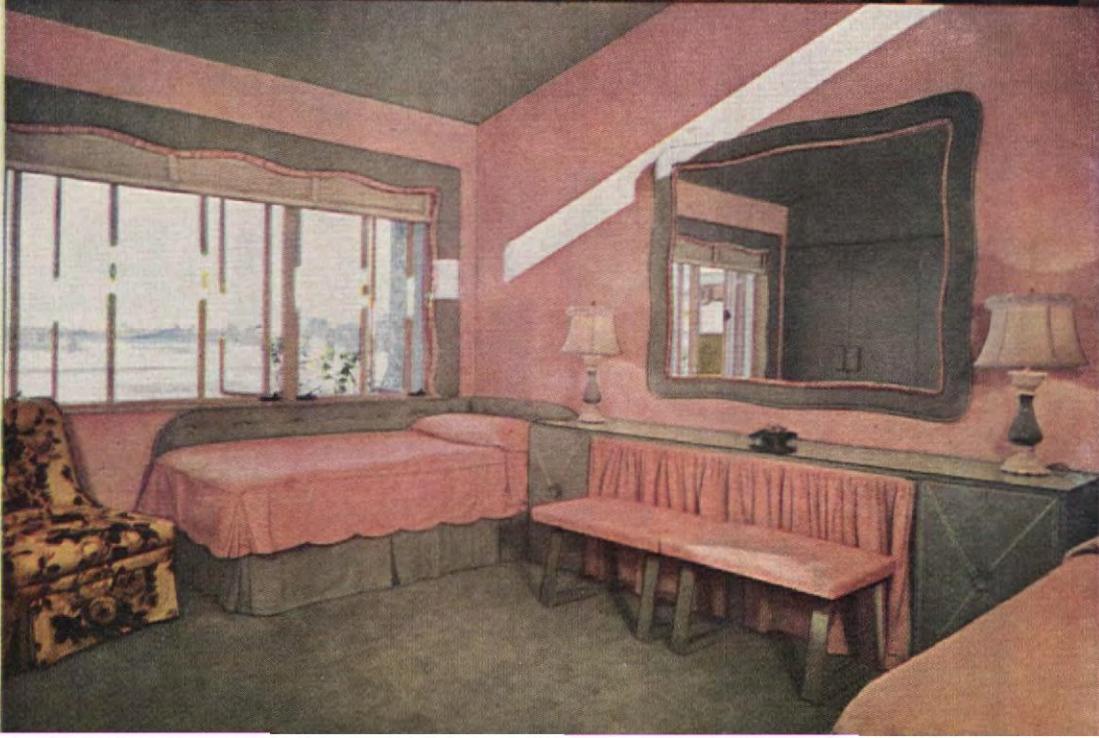
peries at the streetside windows have an interesting chocolate print of blackamoors with white- and scarlet-banded turbans, on a background of cocoa. These can be drawn for night privacy, as can those over the sliding doors looking out to the terraced lawn, adding new interest to the room.

Separating the living area from the dining area in this large room, is a plant-filled, waist-high partition. There are bookshelves on the living-area side of this partition, and closets and cabinets on the dining-area side. Part of the dining-table seating is provided by a banquette which is very comfortable, cozy and attractive.

On page 127 you see a view of the kitchen which is a honey—completely equipped with every convenience and a breakfast bar to boot! The latter can be used for off-the-counter snacks (from high stools with square, brown-leather tops), and is helpful also when serving a meal in the dining area. Sliding panels can be closed to shut off the view into the kitchen when entertaining formally.

Off the hall is the guest room, with walls of dusty pink and French gray. Built-in beds have cleverly upholstered, rounded backs and sides. This effect is repeated in frames around the windows and the mirror over the double dressing table between the beds. Dusty-pink ruffling edges the frame around the windows to relieve the severe line.

At the end of the hall is the large master bedroom. The lighting fixtures are concealed in the slanting ceiling and give the room a soft, diffused



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Mrs. Clifford "Doc" Burden of Mt. Kisco, New York, tells how she did it . . . with the help of Clara Dudley, your color-scheme consultant at Alexander Smith



Don't look at this picture too closely. It shows our living room the way it used to look. Our furnishings were stylish when we bought them, in 1924. Our rug was too small for this room. We "pieced out" with small rugs at each end. It did look cluttered.

Poor Sally Anne, our fifteen-year-old, longed for a prettier room to entertain in—the kind she saw in magazines. Looking at our living room through her eyes, Doc and I agreed we must fix it up. Doc is Athletic Director at Mt. Kisco High School—scoutmaster, junior vestryman and full-time father. He was as eager as I was to make our home attractive for Sally Anne's sake. We figured out how much we could spend. Obviously, what the room needed most was a new rug. So we went together to Crane's, our furniture store in Mt. Kisco.



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Crane's had the perfect rug . . . a new Alexander Smith pattern, 12' x 21'; only \$159.50, or \$33 down and \$11.50 a month if we wanted terms! Mr. Crane told me Clara Dudley would give me a decorating plan, so I sent in her Workshop Questionnaire.



This is Clara Dudley in her workshop at Alexander Smith, with a sample of our rug, and the fabrics she suggested to carry out a color scheme from our rug up. She sent me fabric samples and paint samples, too, all in one tidy kit. Then we Burdens got to work.



Doc turned cabinet-maker, and enticed our 17-year-old radio ham, Dick, to help him. They made secretary into desk, two lamp stands from old tables, and re-built the bookshelves. Here, they're making a coffee-table top with the discarded secretary doors.



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Here's Sally Anne on the green brush and Doc on the white. With Clara Dudley's plan, and the whole family helping, we changed that living room, *fast!*

What a day for Sally Anne when that rug came! Dick and Doc rolled it out even before our rug cushions were ready. It made the room *friendlier*.

This is all it cost us, and when we see how much a pretty living room means to Sally Anne, Doc and I agree it's as sound an investment as we ever made.



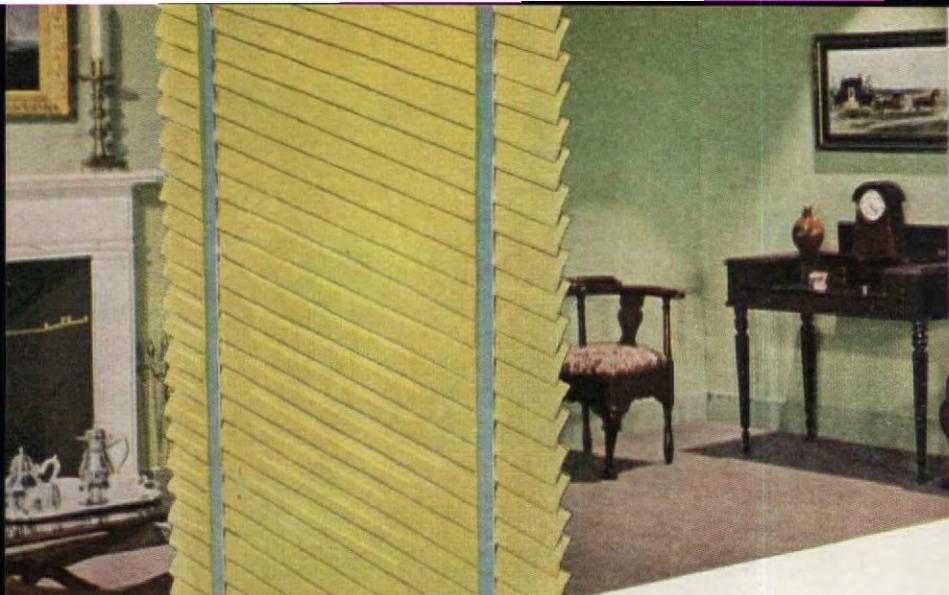
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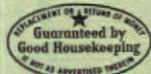


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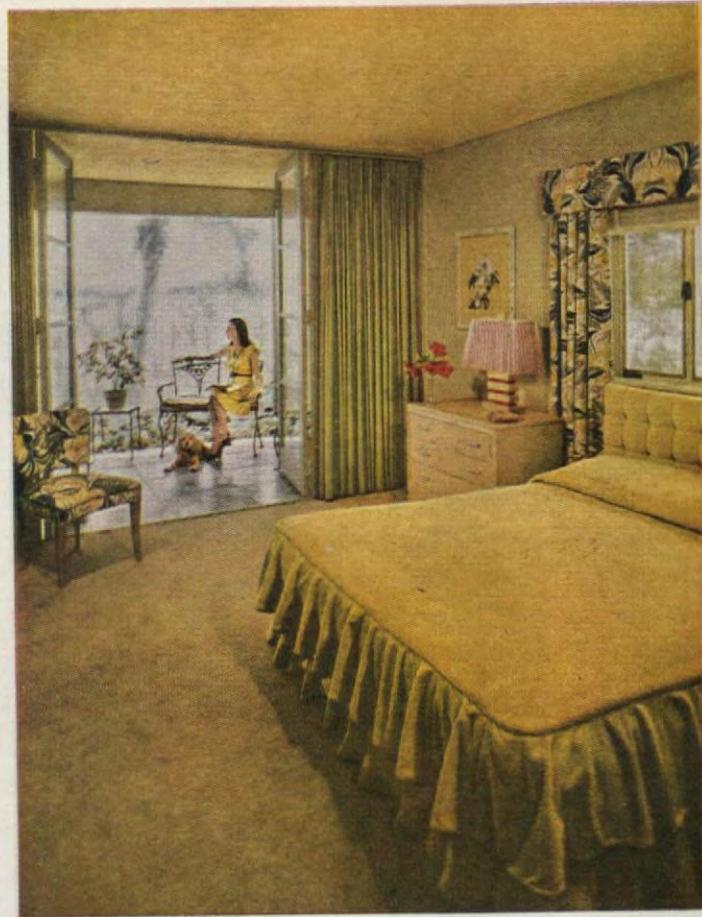
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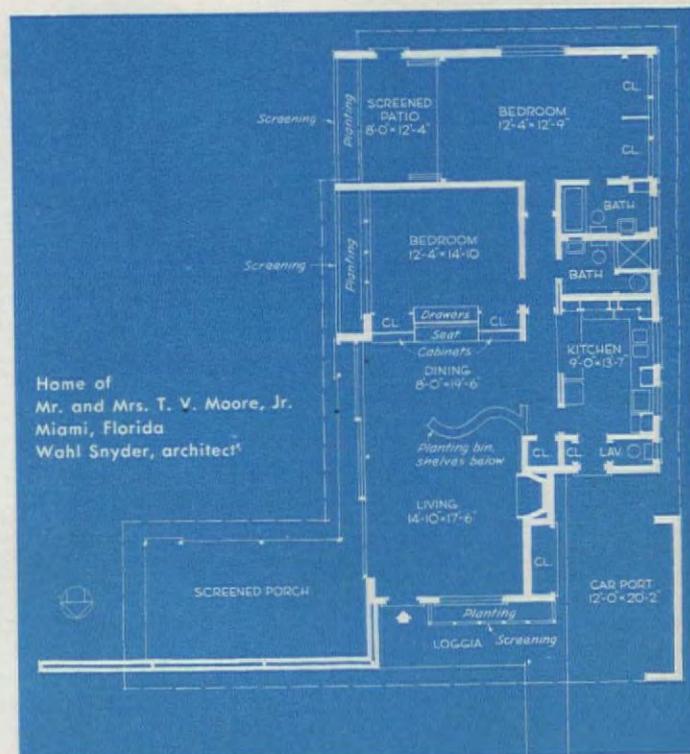


● Master-bedroom screened porch brings the outdoors inside. Bell-plaited bedspread and green-leaf drapery design highlight the room

glow when in use. One wall is devoted to double closets and built-in chests of drawers. On either side of the oversized double bed, chests of drawers are used as night tables. The yellow bedspread and the dressing-table skirt are full bell plaited. A room-sized rug together with the green printed-leaf draperies offer happy, cool contrast to the gay butter-yellow ceiling.

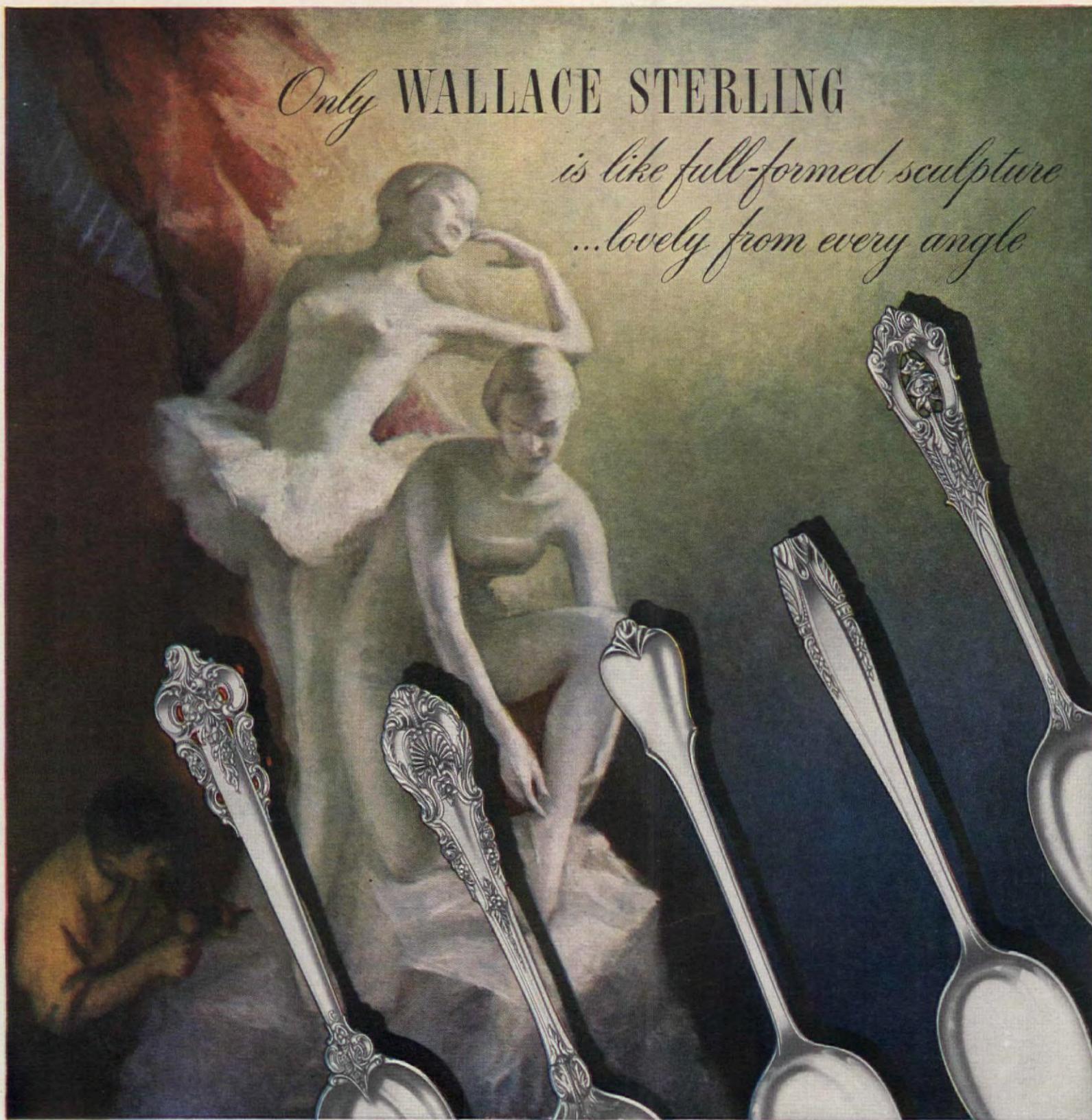
Often the Moores breakfast on the tiny screened-in porch just off their bedroom. Sliding glass doors can quickly and easily close it off from the room. The delicately scrolled dark-green iron furniture with yellow cushions is most inviting and adds great cheer.

Off the living room is a large, open, screened porch, with an oversized Lazy Susan table and Mexican-made furniture against a white-painted brick wall. From the shade of the porch one looks out beneath an overhanging roof to the sunny terraced lawn. The terrace is in view of both porches and many rooms in the house.



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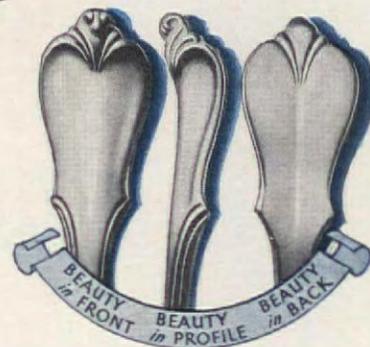


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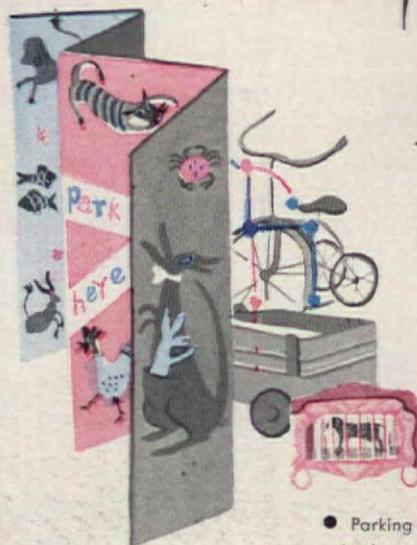
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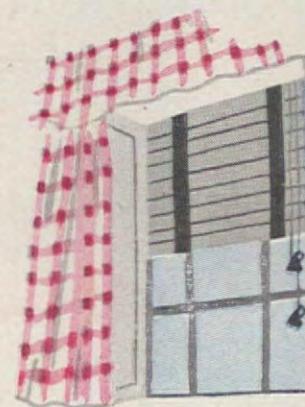
● Parking lot for kiddie cars: screen with animals cut from kid's jungle book, pasted on

Jimmy! Young man, come here this instant and pick up these toys! I can't even break a trail through the living room anymore!

Does that sound like a command you might give? Are the children's toys always underfoot in your home? If they are, don't fret if they become too ubiquitous; instead, pick them up and put them to use. On the other hand, if your children are grown, why not bring their old toys down from the attic and relive some of their childhood moments as you see their doll furniture, story books and the like become a part of your decorating plan. You'll be delighted with the "young" air they will bring.

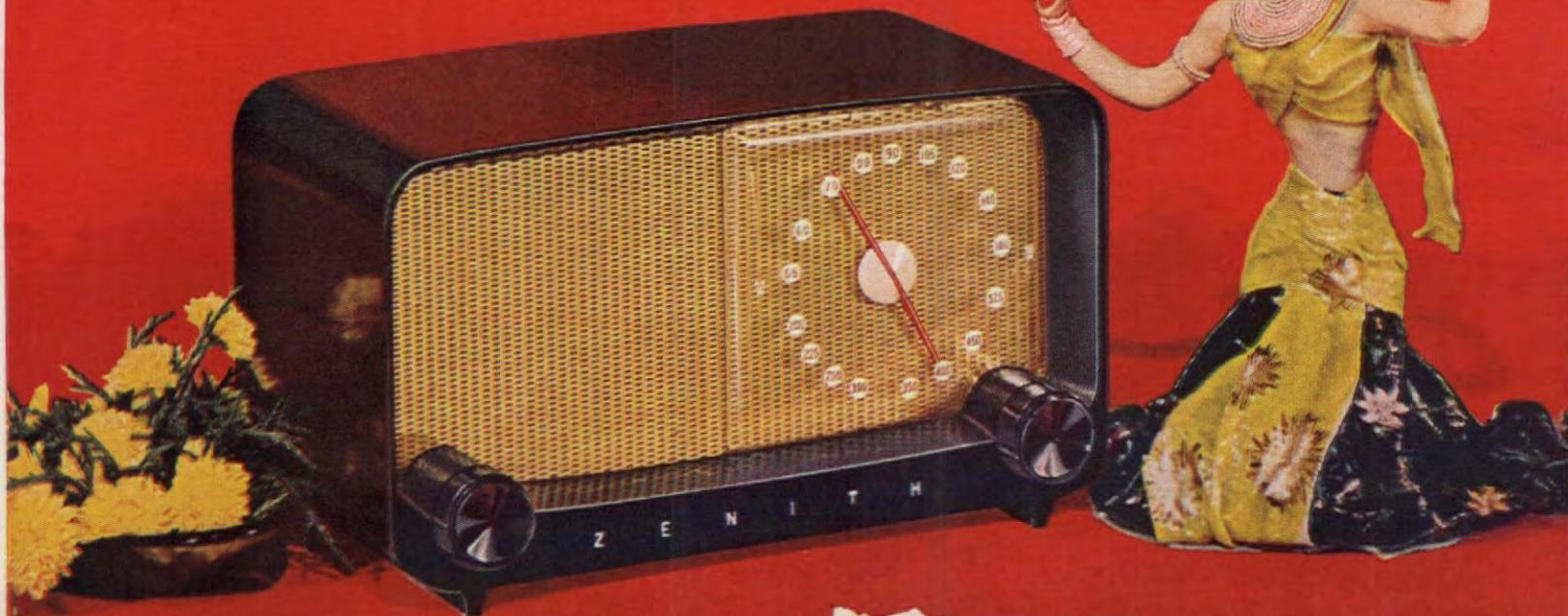
Almost every little girl acquires a tea set of dishes before she is even a candidate for kindergarten. She can have many a tea party with them, but later you can make them useful yourself. The bright little dishes add gaiety to an invalid's tray and will probably hold just what the doctor ordered. Or give the bridge club something else to talk about by placing

● Tiny teacups from little girl's tea set make gay ends for cords of Venetian blinds or window shades; or tie to end of kitchen light cord



● Flexible dolls made of colored wood spools or beads make unusual tiebacks for curtains. Try geraniums potted in discarded tin sand pails, water them with child's sprinkler

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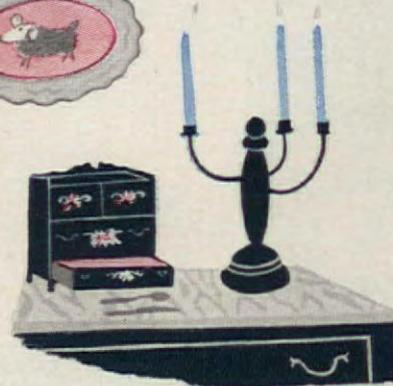
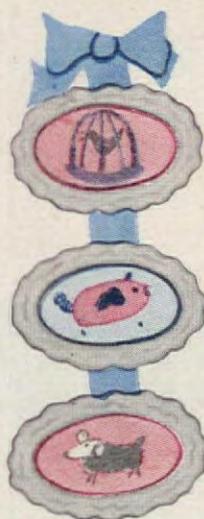
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toy cream pitchers and sugar bowls on the coffee trays. Tiny, yes; but ladies dare not use too much sugar or cream in this slim age! A child's small dishes can be used for salt bowls, nut cups, for demitasses, or for pin trays. Or for novel decoration, hang a group of them on the breakfast-room wall.

Take a trio of illustrations from Mother Goose, frame them, and hang them over a bed in the nursery. Or you might gather up all the nursery-rhyme books and "First Readers", paste their pages all over a three-fold screen—the space behind the screen becomes a "parking lot" for kiddie cars, scooters, doll-baby carriages, little red wagons. A toy xylophone hung on the wall of the breakfast room will tap out a tune which calls the family at mealtime.

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Or take a doll's dresser, line the drawers, paint it a pretty color, and store your table silver therein!



● Cut illustrations from Mother Goose book, mount them, place in oval frames, hang several from a wide blue ribbon on nursery wall

● Chest of drawers from set of doll's furniture can make silver chest for knives and forks. Line drawers with felt, or with velvet

● Don't discard a child's rocker; paint it brightly, keep it in the living room, on the porch, handy for tiny visitors who may attend

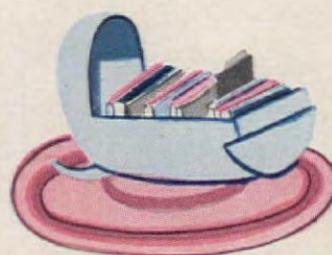


● At a bridge luncheon or on a convalescent's tray why not use doll's tiny sugar and creamer? Holds just enough for one cup

● When the children grow up and discard their blackboards, press them into service in the kitchen for grocery reminders and notes



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● A discarded doll's cradle painted brightly and set by the fire can hold digest-size books or perhaps your kindling wood



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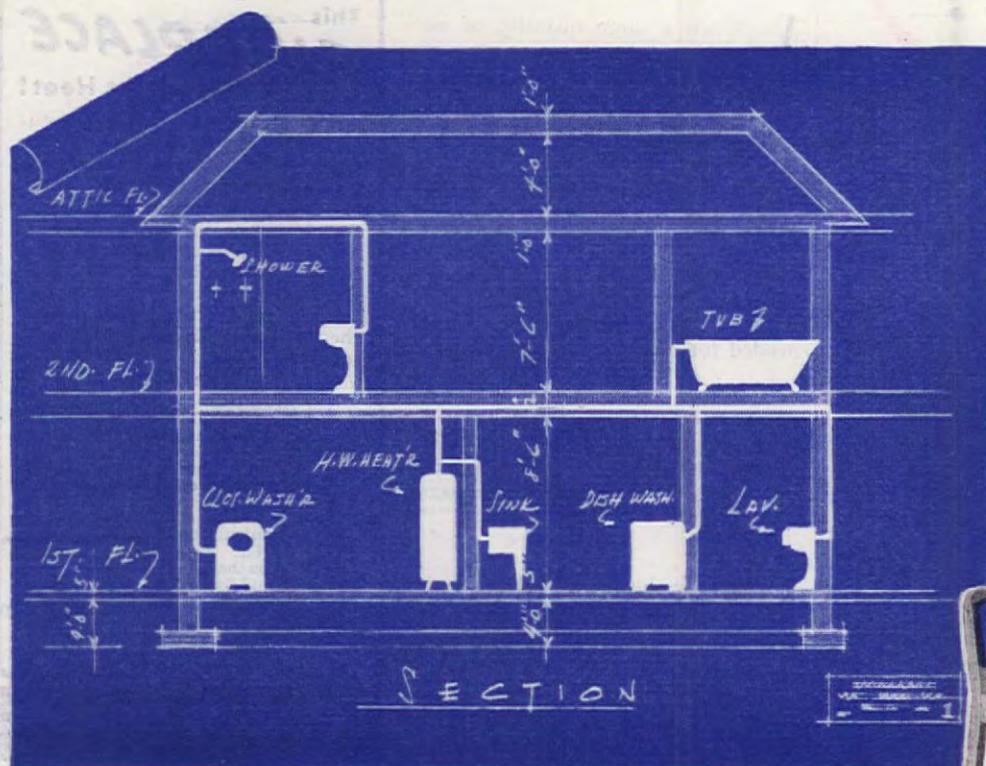
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NO. 9 PLUMBING

This second group of plumbing questions shows importance of family needs and habits

WHAT ARE THE MEANS OF PROVIDING THE HOME HOT-WATER SUPPLY?

They can be divided into two basic groups, direct and indirect. The direct type includes those units which have the water heated from an original heat source. There are wood, coal, gas or oil units, some automatic, that heat the water for storage in a separate tank. Others are the instant heaters which require no tank and usually burn gas, and the complete units which are always automatic, consisting of a heating element and tank in one unit, and using gas, oil or electricity to provide the heat. The indirect types use the heat from hot water of the steam or hot-water boiler of home-heating system to warm domestic water supply, either with or without a separate storage tank. These basic items can be modified and supplemented to fit special needs.

HOW LARGE SHOULD HOT-WATER TANK BE?

Different answers to this question have been worked out and developed into simple rules, based on the size of the family, such as a 40 gallon unit for a family of four. Such rules are sometimes correct, but they can be very wrong.

Hot-water needs depend on family habits, as well as size, and can vary considerably for apparently similar situations. The tank size depends on the amount of hot water used and the unit speed of recovery.

WHAT FAMILY ACTIVITIES AFFECT THE HOT-WATER NEEDS?

The number of baths, use of laundry service or home laundry equipment, dishwashing methods and equipment, and number of bathrooms, will all affect the amount of hot water used. Typical quantities of water (gallons) that may be drawn are approximately: washing machine 15 to 36, tub bath 12, shower 10, home laundry (not washing machine) 7 per person. Those must be accurately checked for a proper study of each family's hot-water needs.

JUST WHAT IS THE RECOVERY RATE OF A WATER HEATER?

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IS THE TOTAL VOLUME OF WATER THAT THE HOT-WATER TANK WILL HOLD USABLE?

No. When a large quantity of hot water is drawn from a tank, cold water rushes in, mixes with and lowers the temperature of that portion of the heated water which is at or near the bottom of the tank when the withdrawal is started. For figuring the size of tank needed, it is best to assume that two-thirds of the volume is available at the tank temperature setting. Thus, for a total withdrawal of 20 gallons, a 30 gallon tank is needed for really satisfactory results.

HOW ARE THESE FACTORS FITTED TOGETHER IN DETERMINING THE SIZE OF HOT-WATER UNIT TO BE USED?

First study the family habits, working out a timetable for baths, laundry, dishwashing, and other large uses of hot water. Starting with the assumed figures of 35 gallons for the tank capacity and 40 gallons per hour for recovery, or the actual figures for some particular tank that is being considered, subtract the amount of water used in the first withdrawal. Calculate how much water will be heated before the next batch of hot water is drawn. Add the recovery to what was left previously, repeat the figuring for the next withdrawal. Repeating this process through the complete day will show whether or not the tank always has adequate water heated for your needs. If the withdrawals at any time in the period studied are more than two-thirds the amount of hot water that is ready, use the capacity of a larger tank as a basis and refigure the supply.

HOW HOT SHOULD THE WATER BE FOR BEST LAUNDRY RESULTS?

A detailed study of this question has indicated that the water at the point of washing laundry in a machine should be from 145 to 150 degrees (laundrying by hand dictates a lower water temperature). Assuming a drop of 10 or 15 degrees due to the cooling effect of the materials to be laundered, a water temperature of approximately 160 degrees at the faucet is needed. There will be a drop in the water temperature due to the travel from the tank to the faucet, which will vary with the distance between these points. The tank setting will have to be still higher, depending,

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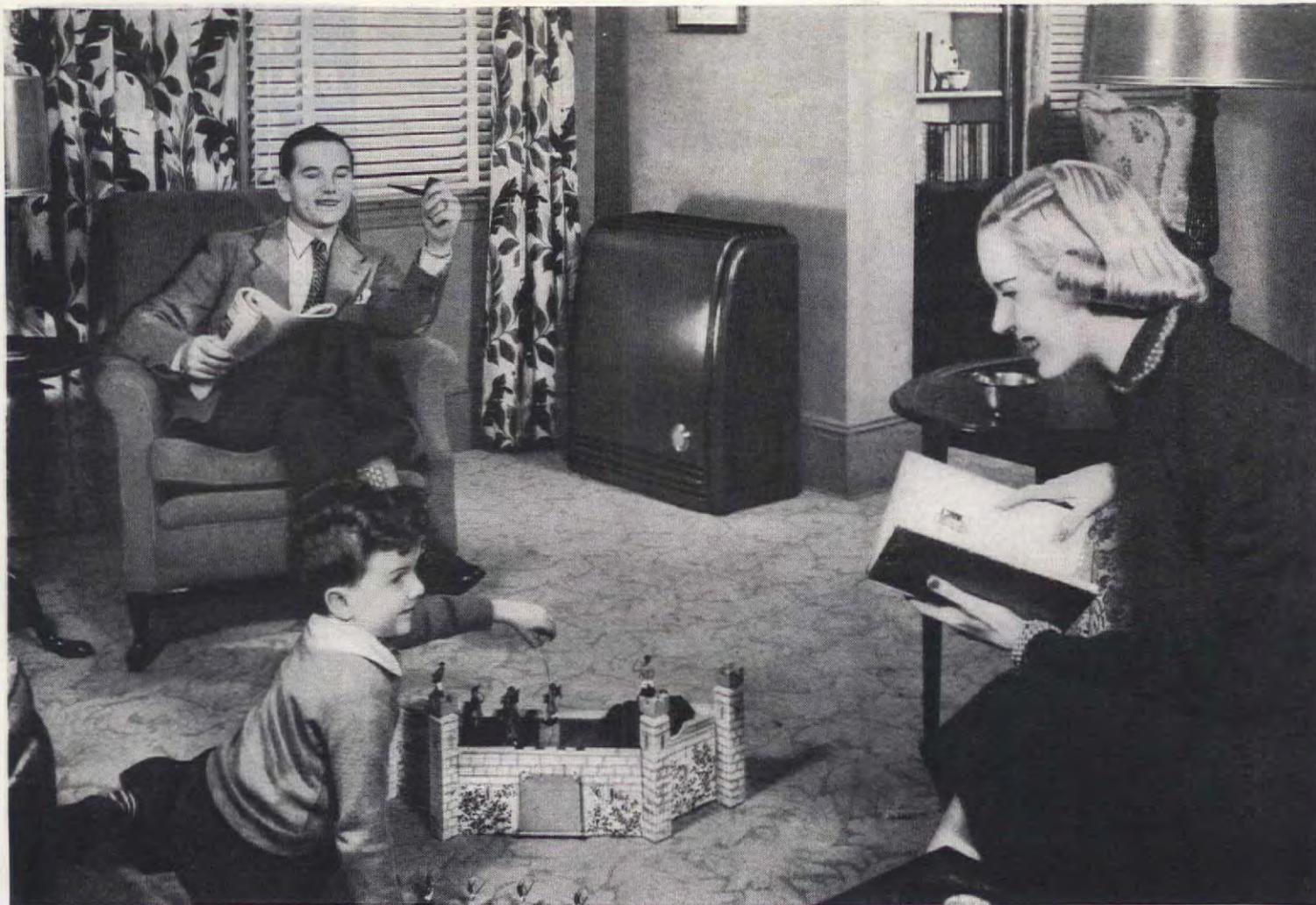
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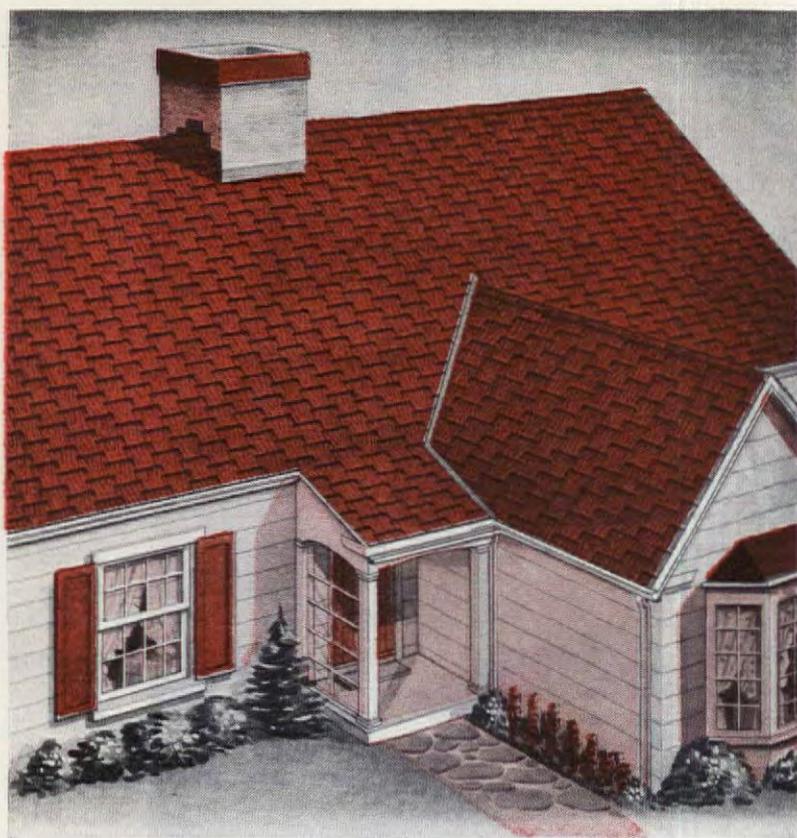
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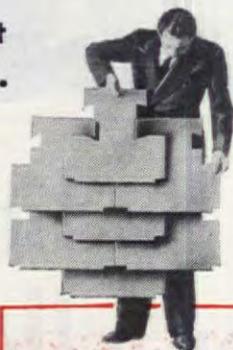
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WHAT WATER TEMPERATURE IS NECESSARY FOR OPERATION OF AN AUTOMATIC DISHWASHER?

For best results the water should be at 160 degrees during the actual washing operation. Allowing for the cooling effect of the dishes, and the loss of heat in the run from the tank to the washer, it is usually necessary to have the water tank set for at least 180 degrees. Since this is somewhat above the temperature necessary for laundry and other household hot-water uses, and is also above the best temperature for operation of the water heaters, a booster tank for the dishwashing water is excellent.

WHICH IS THE BEST FUEL FOR WATER HEATERS?

For automatic units, the choice boils down to which is cheapest in any particular neighborhood, a comparison that can only be made on a basis of local unit prices. Electricity, oil, and gas are all excellent. Coal and wood are the most economical fuels, but they cannot be automatic. However, safety control can be effected by thermostat damper operation.

WHAT HAVE BEEN THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN WATER-HEATING UNITS?

Aside from the corrosion-resistant features mentioned last month, the manufacturers are improving the efficiency of heating elements, and the appearance of the units. An attractive tank can be placed in a basement recreation room without being an eyesore, or it can be in the kitchen without being obnoxious. A number of manufacturers have kitchen models that can be used as a counter for work space, and have short runs from the tank to the faucets which will reduce the heat loss and waste less water than long pipe runs will.

IS IT ADVISABLE AT TIMES TO USE TWO SMALL HOT-WATER TANKS INSTEAD OF ONE LARGE UNIT?

In a home that requires a really large supply of hot water, the best service can be obtained by using two tanks instead of one. The initial cost for the equipment and installation will be somewhat greater, but the cost of operation will not be increased at all. In fact, the operation cost can be reduced somewhat, by placing the two

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WITH AN AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINE, IS IT NECESSARY TO HAVE A LAUNDRY TRAY?

Not for the washing operation. But for starching, bleaching or special treatment the tray is most desirable. Of course, the double laundry tray is necessary for use with the conventional washing machine which does not rinse the wash automatically.

WHAT SPECIAL PLUMBING CONNECTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR A WASHING MACHINE?

The water supply and drain can be handled by an adjacent laundry tray, but it is much more convenient to have a direct supply and drain for the machine, especially with an automatic washing machine. When having the plumbing work done on a new home, it is a good idea to include piping for the supply and drain of any future automatic washer. These connections can be capped or used for a conventional washing machine.

ARE DOUBLE KITCHEN SINKS DESIRABLE?

The double sink is especially necessary for convenient dishwashing when there is no dishwasher used and when there is no drainboard which can be used for spraying the cleaned dishes. The second sink also is very convenient for preparation of food and occasional small laundry work of one or two items that doesn't warrant the use of a washing machine or the laundry trays and other equipment.

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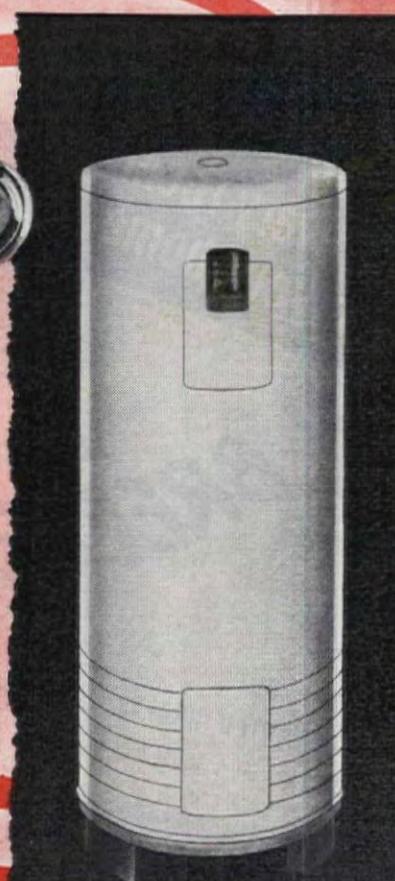
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Many sinks have a spray attachment, or a plugged opening in which a spray can be installed in the future.

The drain should be at least $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter to permit the use of a garbage disposer. Some manufacturers make complete sink units—a single bowl sink with a garbage disposal unit and a dishwasher.

WHAT IS A GARBAGE DISPOSER?

It is an electrically operated appliance which is located between the sink drain and the trap to shred the garbage and flush it out through the sewage pipes. Such a unit can be installed in any sink that has a drain opening that is at least $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, and it involves no additional plumbing. Before purchasing such a unit, it is wise to check the local ordinances since some localities do not permit the use of this sort of equipment for garbage disposal.

CAN A GARBAGE DISPOSER BE USED WHERE THE SEWAGE IS HANDLED BY A SEPTIC TANK OR CESSPOOL?

Yes. However, the fact that there is more solid material run down the drain than normally will accelerate the filling of the tank or pool, resulting in a need for more frequent cleaning. The tank should have a minimum capacity of 500 gallons, and the drain lines should have a steeper pitch than the accepted minimum. Additional cleaning will not be serious, unless the tank or pool is really too small for normal requirements of the house in the first place.

WHAT DISHWASHER MODELS ARE AVAILABLE?

There are portable units which need no special plumbing connections, using the sink water supply and drain, and automatic models that require their own plumbing connections. The automatic units can be had in cabinets that may be located anywhere in the kitchen, and are also available unmounted, so that they can be built into existing or new base cabinets, in the counter top or front. Dishwashers use hotter water than any other



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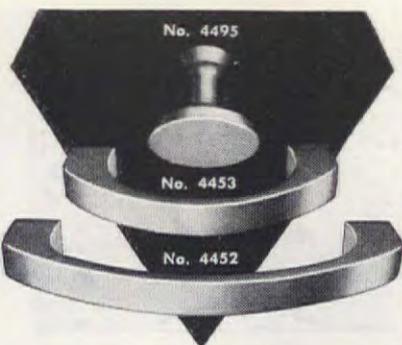
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WHERE CAN LITERATURE BE OBTAINED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THESE AND OTHER PLUMBING PROBLEMS?

Interesting booklets on the subject can be obtained from the Plumbing and Heating Industries Bureau, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Illinois, and from many manufacturers of plumbing fixtures and equipment. Numerous circulars and bulletins are available for a small charge from the Small Homes Council, Mumford House, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois; and the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. Those from the latter source are prepared by the U. S. Department of Agriculture as Farmers Bulletins, and by numerous other government agencies that are interested in housing and home problems.



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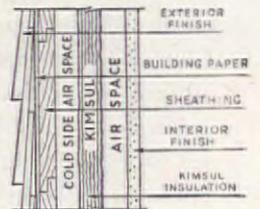
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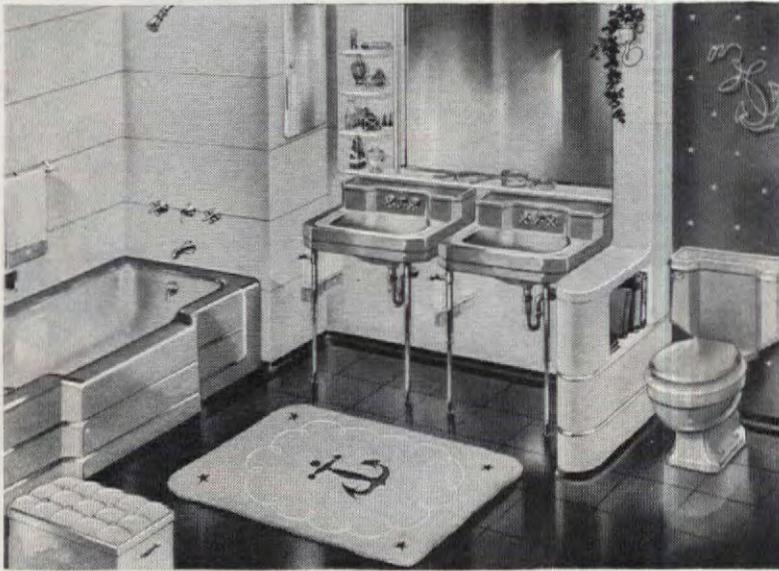
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The materials needed will be found in any well-equipped home. First you'll need a sharp knife, an eye dropper, a heavy weight and, of course, a good grade of linoleum paste. This latter may be purchased at any hardware store, or you can make your own if you desire. I'd rely on the packaged material since it is simpler and very

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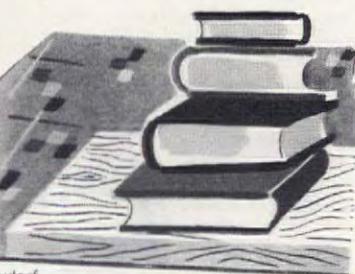
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● If investigation shows sufficient dried-out paste, insert eye dropper filled with warm water under linoleum and soften paste. Work linoleum up and down with fingers before pressing



● A flat board, a breadboard is fine for job, placed over repair and held down by a heavy weight overnight, is sufficient to hold linoleum permanently

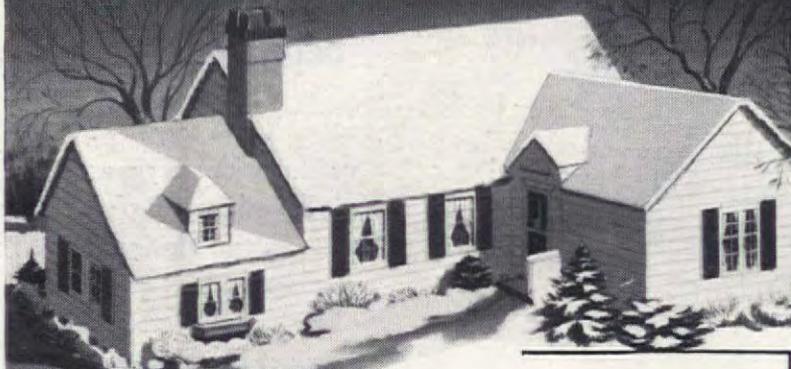


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inexpensive. Buy a small amount at a time. Remember that a little goes a long way. First check for all sorts of bulges, large and small, for you might as well tackle them all at one time while you're in the repair mood. Then stick the knife blade into the middle of each bulge so that the point of an eye dropper may be inserted. Squeeze in enough water, preferably warm water, under the linoleum in order to soften the dried paste. Now work the linoleum down against it with your fingers. Let me inject a word of caution that will insure satisfactory results the first time. If you have any doubt about the quality of the paste that was originally used, or suspect that the bubble is due to the use of insufficient paste initially, I'd skip the warm water routine and insert a good buttering of fresh top-quality paste. This can be done with a narrow-bladed knife. After the paste has been properly softened or replenished, place a flat, smooth board on top of the repaired bulge and leave a heavy weight on top of the board for a few hours or overnight.

For those who want to make their cement, here's a recipe for linoleum paste that I've found most reliable. Dry mix 1 oz. iron oxide, 3 oz. dextrin and 1 oz. kaolin (dry clay) and then add just enough water to make a thick goeey paste. Since the finished job must be as inconspicuous as possible, it is very important that a really sharp knife be used for cutting.

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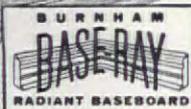
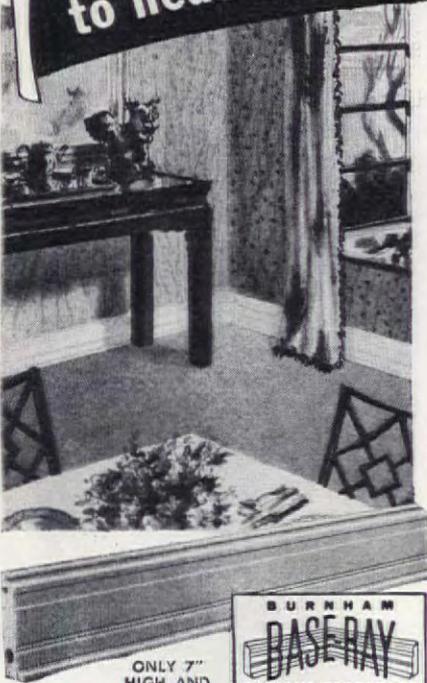
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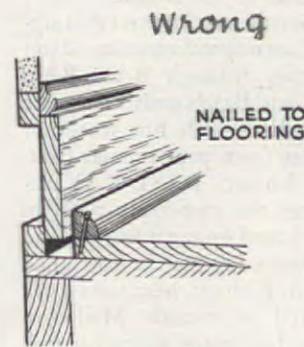
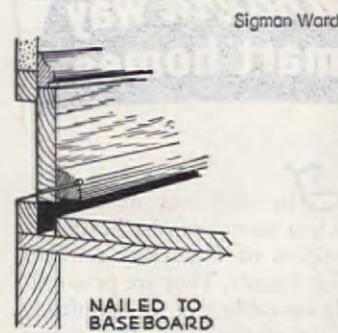
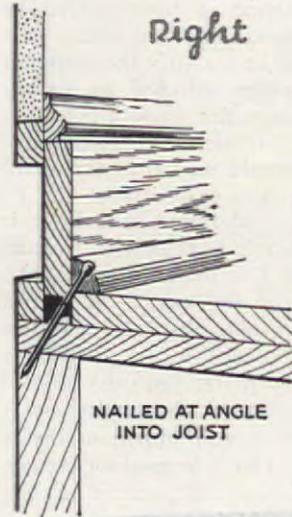
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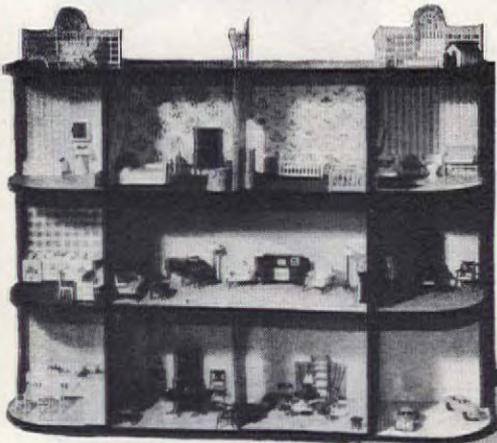
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For those parents or children who want to make a dollhouse just like mine, here are the instructions. Start with a simple, unfinished bookcase. The "credenza" type is just right, I think, for the rooms are already there, with shelves forming the floors and partitions making the walls. The little "balconies" at each end are perfect for small easy-to-reach rooms. If some



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Wallpaper samples or leftovers from a papering job in your own home, or even pretty gift-wrapping paper, may be used for wall coverings. Let your imagination run wild as you paper ceilings, perhaps paint one or two walls in a room and paper the others. The bedrooms, in particular, should always be papered. Try to make a good color job of whatever decorating you do.

For make-believe wood flooring, I used wood-grain wallpaper and coated fabric which has beautiful wood grains. In some of the rooms, such as the kitchen and bathroom, this coated fabric was used on the walls and ceiling. Samples or scraps of linoleum make wonderful floor coverings, especially in the bathroom and kitchen. Naturally, there must be carpeting in some of the rooms. Regular floor carpeting is too thick for such small rooms, so use wool felt, which can be purchased in lengths less than a yard. Cement felt to the floors with rubber cement so that it can be removed when necessary.

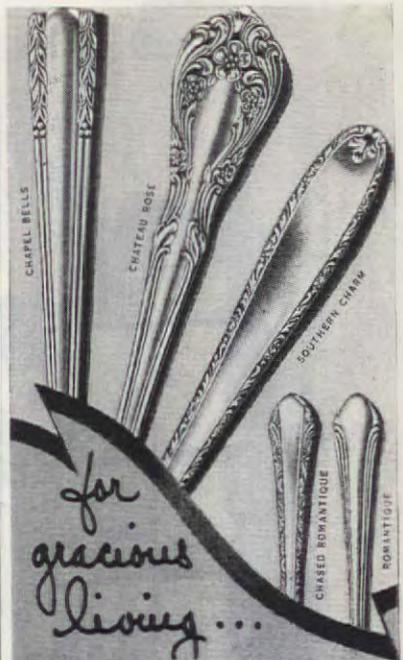
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The top of the bookcase will make a wonderful roof deck if it's painted a dark shade of green, and to make it more fun, you can lay out a tiny tennis court with strips of adhesive-backed tape. What little girl's doll wouldn't enjoy a lazy sun bath or a round of tennis up there on the roof?

The best thing about this dollhouse is that it's always ready to be played with—no turning it around to get at the furniture and no sides to take off and put on again. The furniture can be reached easily and rearranged without knocking over individual pieces.

When the little girl grows up and is no longer interested in dollhouses, the furniture can be packed away for future generations. Now, with a solid-color paint job, the dollhouse reverts to its original role and becomes a proper bookcase for a teen-age girl's room (a feature that will especially please Mother and Dad!). There is no storage problem; the bookcase has lived a double life and afforded a growing child many hours of play.



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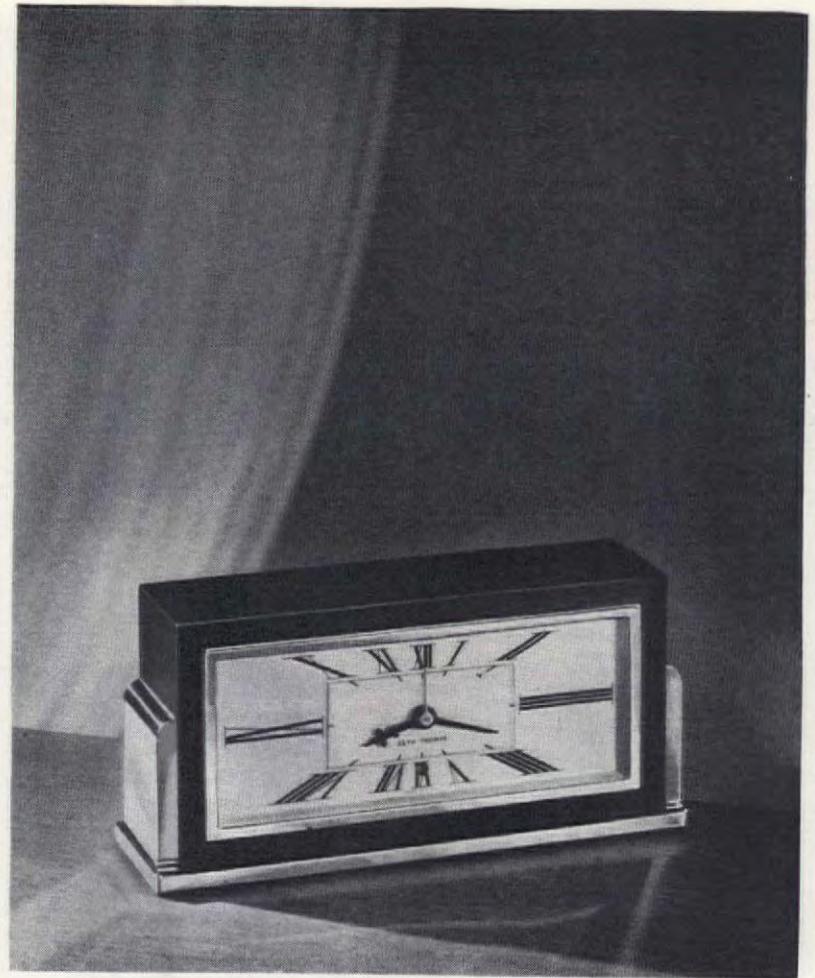
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FROM YOUR OWN GARDEN

What are gardeners doing these days? With harvests in, and memories of past trials and triumphs fresh in their minds, they may be resting on well-deserved laurels. But more probably they are tucking bulbs into beds and odd corners and completing their fall-planting programs. These (if they are wise gardeners) will include provision for a variety of easy-to-grow plants from which they can obtain long-lasting material with which to brighten the indoors in November. We illustrate just such a gay red, white, and green arrangement, in which the cheerful scarlet berries of *Nandina domestica* (otherwise heavenly-bamboo) show up against the shining green of rhododendron leaves. For further contrast there are the shimmering disks of *Lunaria* (alias honesty, money, silver-penny, and satin-flower) and pale green, parchment-like pods of the ground-cherry, or husk- or strawberry-tomato (*Physalis pruinosa*), which were gathered in the summer and put away for winter use. The white basket-weave bowl and green china birds harmonize with, not only the plant material, but also the soft tones and antique quality of the mahogany table, the old-fashioned wallpaper, and the heirloom sampler in its place of honor on the wall.

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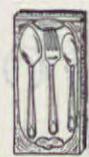
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November Nitwit

Frances Griffith

One's friends and neighbors are usually the first to laugh at, and the last to believe in, one's ideas if the latter happen to be unusual, unorthodox, and/or original.

Undoubtedly a good many other New Englanders have planted seeds in the open ground in November. So the practice is not exactly an original idea. But it is an unusual one, and certainly it looked unorthodox early that bleak November morning for me to be hurriedly poking some leftover climbing peas into the cold ground along the garden fence, scattering the season's remnants of lettuce, winter radish and kale seed, and covering the ground with straw. Passing neighbors honked loudly, jeered raucously, and made crude wisecracks to the effect that I must be hard up for something to do.

As a matter of fact, I had more to do than just the seed-sowing. For having planned to leave the parsnips in the ground all winter, I gave them an additional bit of straw mulch to help them through the coming months—which really can be rough in Rhode Island. The chard was still green and vigorous, as were the collards so, rather than uproot and throw them away or disc them under, I cut them back almost to the ground and covered them, too, with straw. Then, bestowing a final blessing on the garden, I went away—3,000 miles away in fact—for the winter.

For three months letters from home were filled almost exclusively with weather woe. Not the ordinary conversation pieces, either, but horror tales of record-breaking blizzards, continuing ice storms, and bitter cold. Sorrowing for my seeds in their distant and difficult circumstances, I could only hope that the blanket of "poor man's manure" would prove a protection and an asset commensurate with its abundance and long duration.

And lo, when I returned home about the last of March, the row of green parsnip tops was a cheerful and encouraging contrast to its gray, wintry surroundings. Also, I was delighted to find tiny green lettuce leaves pushing up beneath their straw covering. Peeking gingerly under the mulch spread along the fence, I found that the peas had already attained several inches of growth; a slightly anemic, blanched growth, to be sure, but one which quickly responded to the effect



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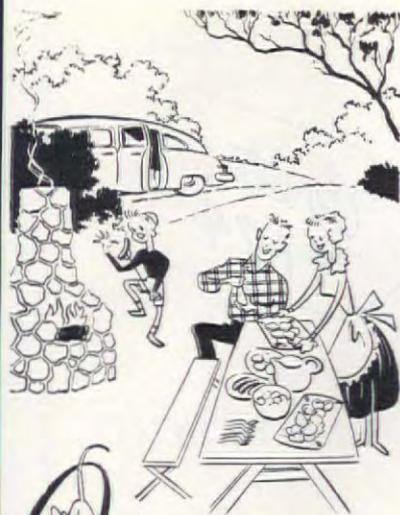
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of sunlight and air when the straw was removed, soon taking on a healthy, deep, rich, green hue. In due course, the lusty vines bore a crop that was the envy of my erstwhile jeering neighbors. You see, owing to a torrentially wet spring, they had been unable to get their peas started in time for the plants to beat the heat which, when it finally came, arrived with sizzling suddenness and intensity. The same skeptics gratefully accepted all donations of tender, crisp, curly lettuce, murmuring something about the beneficent effect of fresh green-stuff on winter-weary eyes and palates.

The success of the kale was no great surprise, since it is notoriously hardy. But remembering a certain party's scornful dictum that "nobody but nobody ate kale," it was amusing to hear his tentative and doubtful thanks for some I gave him, and, later, his enthusiastic admission that "the stuff does taste pretty good in the spring, doesn't it?"

The Swiss chard provided several delicious cuttings before deciding that it was working overtime. And the collards, on their borrowed time, were far more succulent after a winter out of doors than they ever had been under normal conditions and management. They were so plentiful that I could afford to be generous—and a good thing, too. For my fellow gardeners who had refused to even try "those southern greens" the previous summer, accepted and ate them with relish. Whether it was due to the improved flavor of the tenderized leaves, or to the novelty and pleasure of eating the season's first fresh greens so early, I couldn't be sure.

And as to those parsnips, the green leaves that greeted me were not new, spring growth, but just what I had left there and covered up in the fall. Apparently it had passed the winter in a state of suspended animation. I pulled the roots promptly, kept them in a cool place, and consumed them before they could make any appreciable new growth. Hence their food value was unimpaired and, of course, the wintering-over had greatly enhanced their flavor. I must, however, note an exception: A few of the parsnip roots did wither before we got around to eating them, so I threw them into a pile of odds and ends waiting to be composted—and forgot them. A few weeks later, they were towering above the heap and starting to form blossoms. I rescued them, along with the potential compost they were growing in, stuck them in a big flower pot, and stood it on the porch where, very shortly, the big heads of yellow flowers burst into bloom. Very effective they were!

Well, whatever their reasons, and whatever their trains of thought, they have been developing—and accepting—some strange ideas, those neighbors of mine. They have even been talking about deliberately planting some seeds of their own this November!



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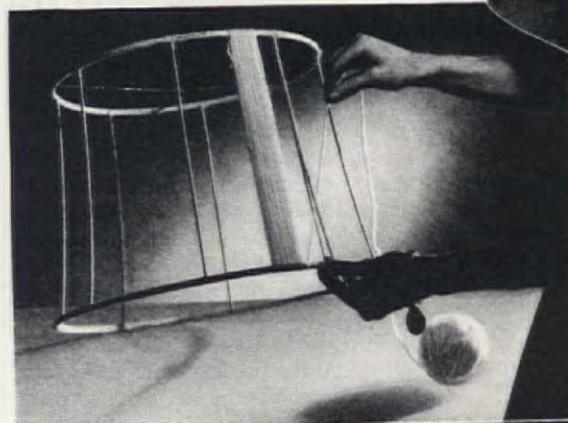
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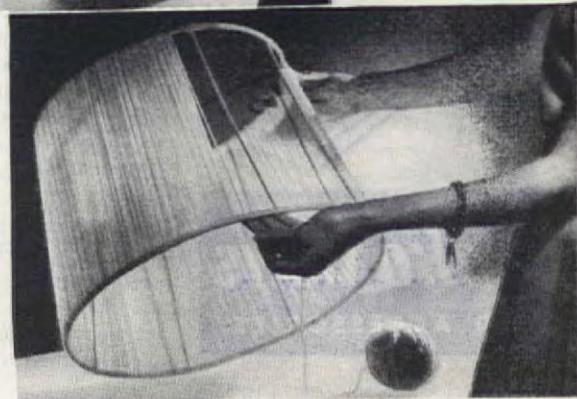
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Lamps are not purely functional. They should be as attractive to look at as they are useful to see by. Do your lamps meet the qualifications? Perhaps you have a pretty lamp base that is completely obliterated by the ancient shade it supports. You needn't buy a new shade. Simply remove the old covering. Then with knitting wool, in a color to go with the room, wrap the old frame. Pull wool strands firmly, but do not stretch. To cover a lampshade 14" in diameter by 12" deep, you will need 2 skeins of wool. At 87¢ a skein you can make a lovely new shade for just \$1.74. With AMERICAN HOME Pattern 1083 you can make or decorate paper-parchment shades—another remedy. The pine design is painted in gold on the outside, and the cones inside the shade are painted red, lending a rosy glow when shade is lighted. Floral cut-out shade appears to be all white until



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• A new use has been found for knitting wool. Muriel Lalla Hood wrapped it around an old wire lamp-shade frame and made herself a brand-new and very inexpensive shade that gives a soft, diffused light, sets off lamp base to perfection





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● Beautiful lamps made from plaster of Paris. The American Home Patterns for the three lamps shown here include instructions for making molds and pouring plaster bases. Tracing and painting directions for decorating bases also given. Designed by Pearl Daru Snyder



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AMERICAN HOME PATTERN 1087

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AMERICAN HOME PATTERN 1088

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A Christmas thought needs never to be measured in dollars and cents, by quantity or size, but it does need to be a sincere thought—a sincere wish for happiness and prosperity in the coming year. A Merry Christmas wish should never seem like a duty deed. You send a card to a friend because you're thinking of him—you'd like to see him, and because you want to say a friendly hello. Just any card, no matter how pretty or expensive, simply won't do. In many cases your annual Christmas card is the one bit of contact with very dear old friends, so it has to be special, and just a little different from all the others. The card that will carry more meaning and more sincerity than words can express is the card into which you have put your own personal time and effort—and little enough time it will take, too! It's later than you think, so start now to make your own cards with AMERICAN HOME Patterns.

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AMERICAN HOME PATTERN 1089

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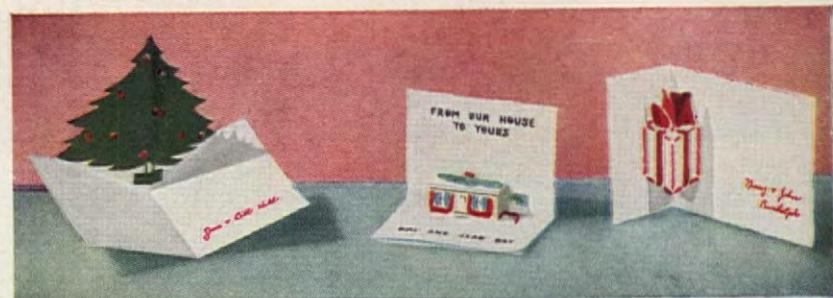
Number 1088 is a pattern for stencil cutting and painting. On one is a pretty angel in peasant dress surrounded by Christmas trees. On the other is an angel standing in a pool of stars holding a package. In Pattern 1089, directions are given for block printing the really angelic angel and for stenciling the pert, spotted faun standing before a unique sort of tree. The angel is printed on a wood-fiber paper and the faun is stenciled on very thin plywood, but you may, of course, use paper if you prefer.

The cutout jump-up cards, there are three of them in pattern 1090, are fun to give—and receive, and simple as pie to make. Youngsters especially love cards that are "surprise!" when opened. Incidentally, the children will enjoy making Christmas cards from these patterns, too.

Make the envelopes or paint designs inside card folders. For mailing close folds, seal with Christmas seals.

This year enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that your card is good-looking, personally yours, and won't be duplicated by a commercial printing press a million times a minute.

AMERICAN HOME PATTERN 1090



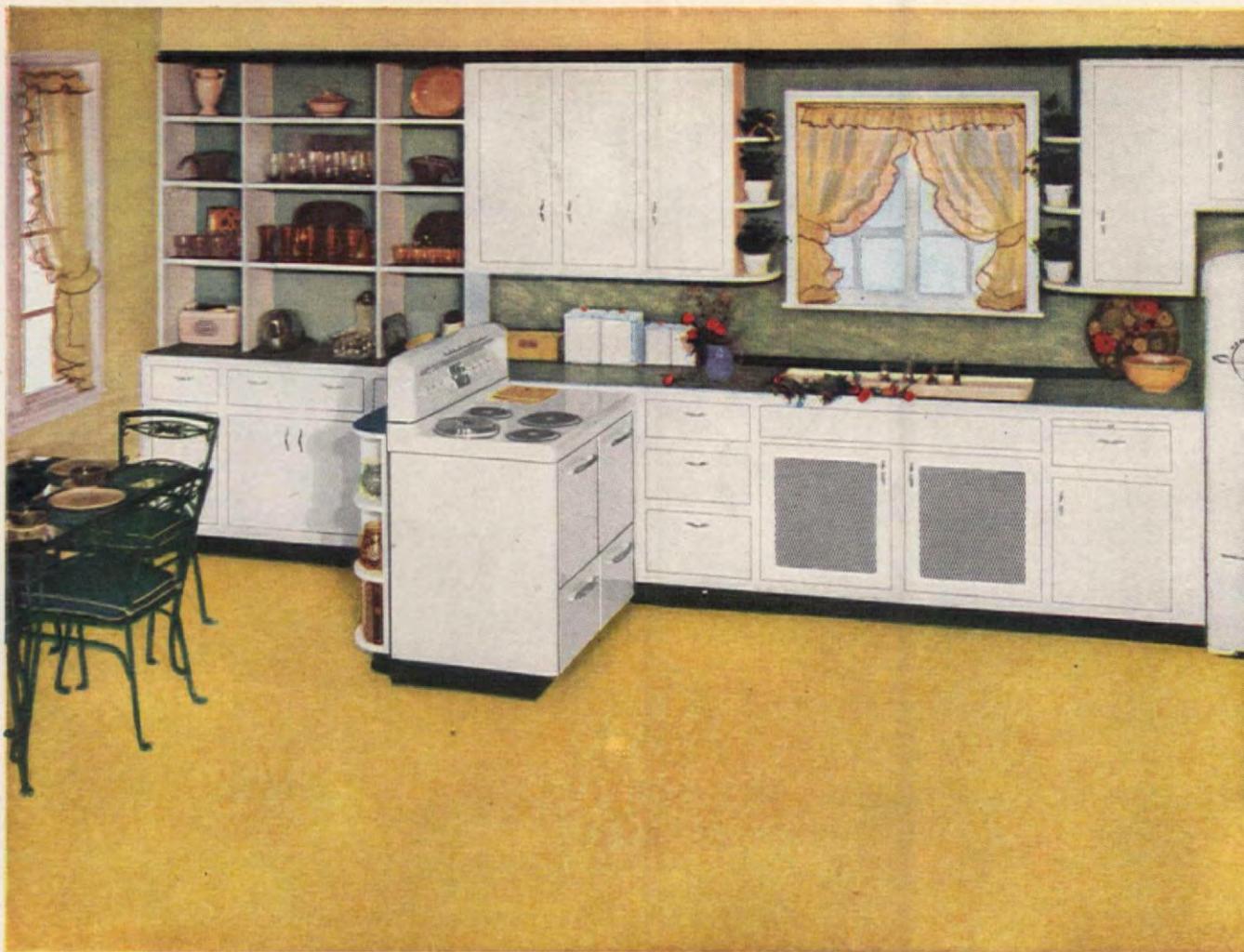
• From you personally, an angel block-printed on wood-fiber paper, or a spotted faun stenciled on a very thin 5" x 4 1/2" piece of plywood, carries a unique seasons greetings. Both are quick to make. Faun stencil by Lietta

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• Spread true Christmas spirit with National Tuberculosis Association Christmas seals. From an accurate pattern trace Christmas tree, or other Christmas symbols, to sheet of seals. Cut out trees and glue to penny post card as Belle Harrington did last year

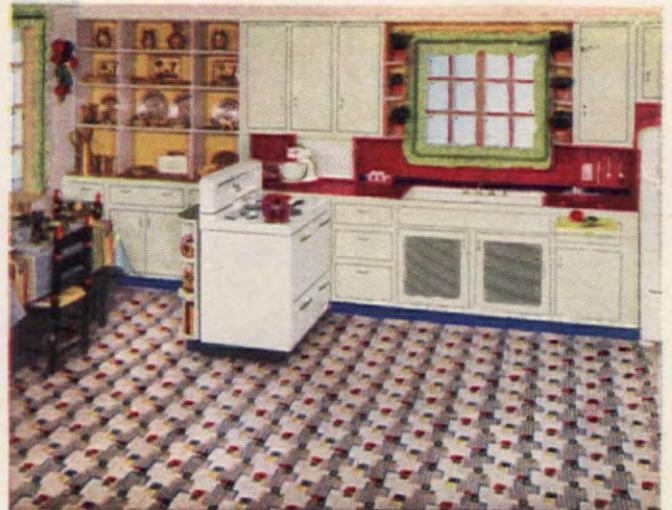
• Here's something as new as it is old—three cutout cards by June Walker say the old heartfelt greeting in a novel way. The yule tree card that stands in true perspective is 3 1/2" x 4 1/4" when folded. The snow-covered house that can be painted to resemble your own is a little smaller and the Christmas package card is 4" x 5" in size



IT'S A SUNSHINE KITCHEN! And something new under the sun is the stove placed to make a step-saving work area—and to set off the breakfast alcove. The whole room takes its cue from that sunny Marblitone linoleum floor, pattern No. 0108. Terrace-type iron table and chairs, cheery yellow curtains, cool green Marblitone counter tops and "splash backing" make this kitchen fresh and gay as a June morning. There's a bright idea in that counter, too. No water can get back of it because it is sealed with Black Koroseal Cove Molding.

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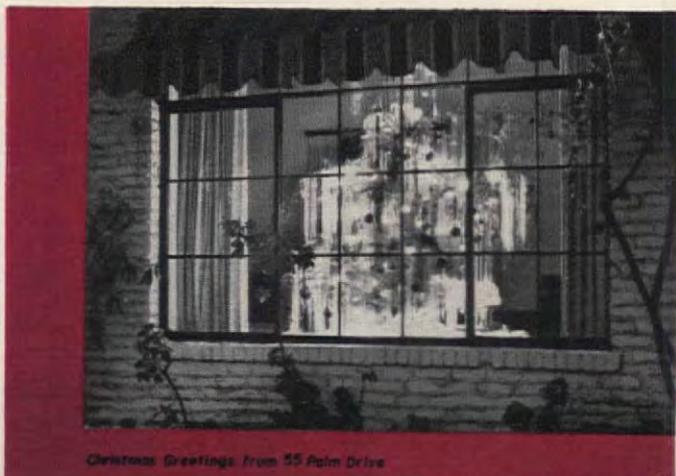
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Again it's November, and already the family has begun counting off the days until Christmas. One problem which is sure to crop up at this time is that of the annual greeting card. It's easy to get exactly what you want by making your own cards at home—mounting photographs of your own on colorful backgrounds. And it really can be done—even if you're not quite an expert with lens and tripod.

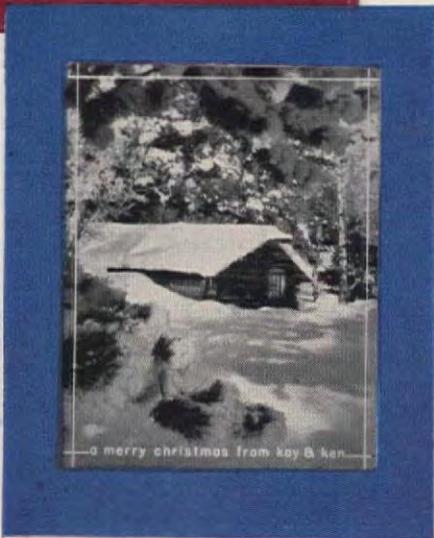
There are any number of picture ideas which can be worked out now, in time to catch this year's Christmas mail: still lifes of candles and greens, of miniature Christmas scenes, and shots of the family inside the house. Also, it's not too early to be making preparations for your 1949 card. When the decorations are up and holiday festivities in full swing, there will be many opportunities for unusual pictures to use next year: the youngsters playing with toys at the foot of the tree (and Dad trying his hand at operating Junior's new train), the fireplace with stockings hanging from the mantel awaiting the coming of Santa Claus.

Naturally, you will need a camera. It may be plain or fancy, your own or borrowed, but remember that even one as simple as the so-called "Box" will give surprisingly good results. Directions found packed with



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Here are a few extra suggestions for taking pictures at Christmas, or any other time. Always have a solid support for the camera when making time exposures, since any movement of the camera while the lens is open will result in blurred negatives. Don't economize on film, particularly when you're trying to photograph a subject which may not be available for a re-take. Try several pictures of the same subject, using different exposure times and shooting from different positions. Don't try to crowd too much into one small picture area. Get as close to the subject as possible, select plain backgrounds, and eliminate superfluous details. Careful focusing of the camera is essential if yours is not a fixed-focus model. Measure distance from camera to subject and set the focusing scale. Box cameras cannot take sharp pictures closer than six feet to the subject without a close-up attachment.

Now, let's go outdoors to get that shot. Your own doorway, particularly if it's attractively decorated with greens, would be a pleasing subject. Study the doorway for a while, find out when the light and shadow on it are most interesting, then shoot! Don't waste film on subjects that appear dull and uninteresting. And remember that the camera can't create interesting angles and lighting effects which the eyes don't see.

If you want to make a picture from the outside of the house looking in, say of the lighted Christmas tree seen through the window, the procedure is a little different. The camera is set in position on a steady support at sundown, when just enough light remains to bring out details in the building. If the camera has a lens-opening adjustment, set it at f.16. If the lens markings are from one to four, use number four. If yours is a box camera, with a small lever near the shutter release (the only lens adjustment on the box camera), pull out the lever. Set the shutter for "Time," and with fast panchromatic film, the exposure will be approximately two minutes. Exposure is made with room and tree lights on, but if the tree has a number of brilliant bulbs on it, they should be turned out for about half the exposure time.

Many people shy away from indoor picture work because they've never tried it. Even such lively subjects as children and animals can be photographed indoors with the help of the modern flash bulb, which will enable you to obtain those hard-to-get pictures. An inexpensive hand unit for firing the bulbs is available for cameras not equipped with flash devices.

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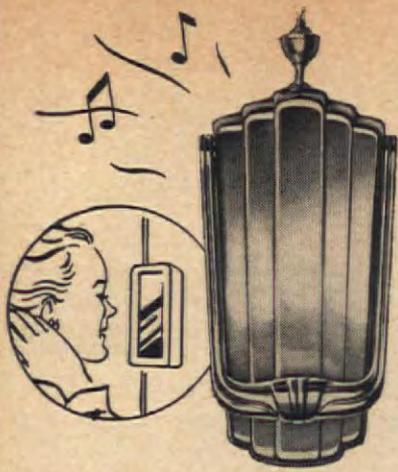
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general effect is pleasing. No definite rules for exposure can be given, but with fast panchromatic film, a couple of hundred-watt bulbs placed not further than six feet from the subject, and lens set at f.16, a time exposure of three to five seconds will be about right. Photoflood bulbs, which emit an intense light enabling you to take indoor pictures at snapshot speeds of 1/25th of a second, may be used in place of the incandescent lamps.

One of my special projects was a table-top scene which included a startled deer and his sleigh loaded with gift packages. Panchromatic film, a small lens opening (f.32), and an exposure of a few seconds produced an acceptable negative.

Assuming that you've made one or more good pictures for your Christmas cards, what next? The simplest procedure is to let the photofinisher carry on from here. He'll take the exposed film and print it, with a greeting design, on a flat card. If you prefer something a little more dashing, the photofinisher will print the picture on a French-fold style of card.

Let's proceed to slightly more elaborate card styles, such as colored folders. The photofinisher will make prints the same size as the original negative, or enlarge them to whatever size you wish. He will trim off the white borders, and you can mount the prints on folders of colored paper. Browse around the art shops for interesting papers, and either make your own folders or have a printer do the job for you, complete with printed greeting and signature inside.

The card which displays the crèche (a favorite Christmas motif with religious appeal) is a French-fold style. The borderless print was mounted on a sheet of decorative paper, and white stars harmonize with the subject matter. Additional color was unnecessary, since enough color was provided by the paper itself and the stars.

The reindeer and sleigh card is slightly different in its make-up, since the folder opens from the bottom instead of from the right side. "Happy New Year, Too!" was stenciled in white on the inside page. Since the names of the senders appear on the little tag in the picture, nothing else was needed on the inside page.

The candle and holly picture results in a card that's pleasant and dignified. It becomes something extra-special when mounted on a paper folder of rich and appropriate color. A sheet of silver paper, a quarter of an inch larger all around than the borderless photographic print, was mounted on the front of the folder, then the photograph mounted on top. "Noel" was stenciled in silver to match the print underlay. Message and name were written inside.

With a little experimenting, you'll discover other unusual ideas for your personal Christmas greetings. Take the camera down from the shelf and start clicking that shutter—for this year's cards and next.

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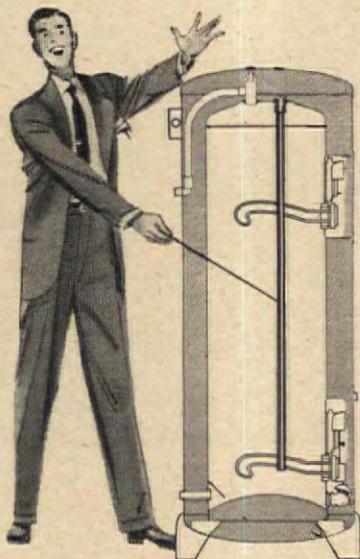
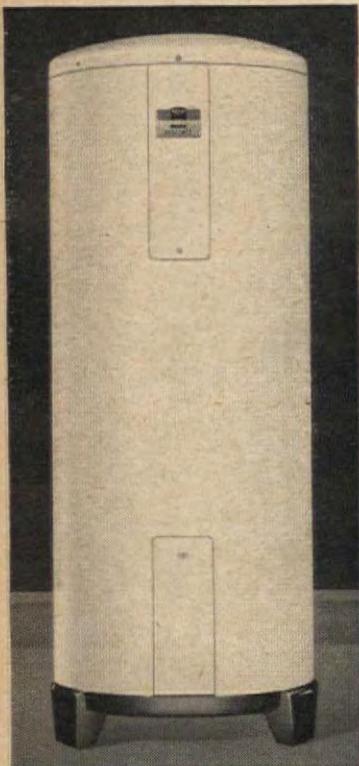
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The woman in my life was pretty nice about it, but I've known her since we were kids in school and there was something lacking in her smile. When you've lived with a woman for years, you're sensitive to these little things. They ring an alarm bell in the back of your head. That little bell rang every now and then for a year, and I knew something was being cooked up for my benefit. One morning last month I found out what it was. I was attacked without warning.

"Darling," she said, "I've been thinking about that great big workbench of yours in the service room."

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I took a swallow of coffee and tried to sound only mildly interested. "Guess I didn't sweep up too well the last time I used it. Huh?"

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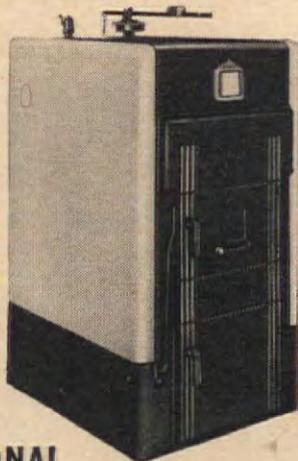
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Disguise it! What was she driving at? Our service room is a 12' x 20' brick building with a cement floor and four casement windows. It is at the back of the patio and was built to get laundry tubs, washing machine, trunks, suitcases, and boxes out of the house. Incidentally—it was also supposed to house my workbench.

Perhaps if I were to be quite casual about this thing—

"Disguise it?" I repeated, pretending to read a headline. "It's a workbench. Why disguise it?"

The light of my life was being casual too. She poured a cup of coffee before she added, thoughtfully, "Well, there just doesn't seem to be any other way. One would just have to get rid of it I guess, and I've thought of the best idea about it."

That did it. I put my coffee cup down hard. "What," I asked firmly, "are we talking about?"

"Oh, darling, it's nothing. I just want to change the service room into a little guest house, and I can't do it with that tremendous bench there."

"And that's nothing?" I asked.

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"For Pete's sake—whoever heard of a workbench like that?"

"Oh, darling, please listen. And then we'll get some gay Mexican chairs and hang a serapi on the wall and after that—"

"But where am I going to put my tools? Hang 'em in the new closet with the winter coats—?"

"But my dear," the wife purred on, "you gave me the idea when you wrote that story about how many things a woman can store in drawers and behind doors in a kitchen cabinet if she's neat about it and always puts everything back where it belongs. If a woman can do that, a man can do it, too, and when we are using the room for a guest, you can arrange your tools in the drawers and behind the doors. I'll put a Mexican piece over the top, hang a mirror on the wall, put a lamp below it, and we'll have a perfect dresser. When we have no guest, we'll take those things off, and it will be your bench again. That



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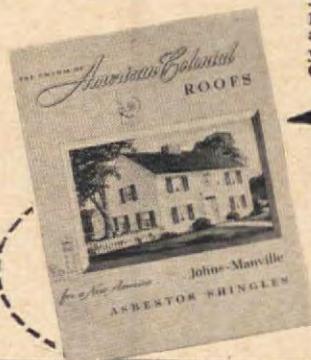
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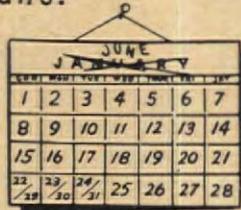


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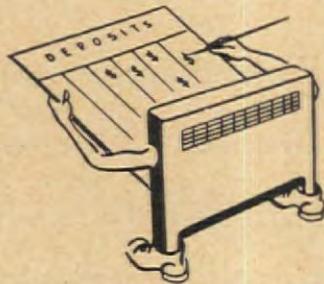
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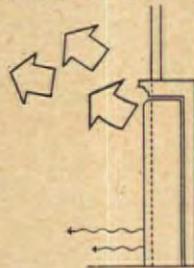
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way we can have a dream of a casita."

I choked. "A kawat?"

"Darling, if you please! People will hear you. You know what a casita is. It's the Spanish word for little house. You're so clever with tools and paint, and it will be so practical that everyone will wonder why they never thought of it."

So now we have a casita, and I have a new bench. And I wish I had thought the idea up myself. I've found that you can actually make a practical workbench out of one of those unpainted cabinets they sell in almost all furniture stores. It will be small enough to fit into a small service room and, as far as that goes, you could paint it white and use it in that Holy of Holies, the kitchen. Yet it will be big enough for most of the ordinary handyman's needs, and it will hold an unbelievably large assortment of tools.

These cabinets measure about 34 by 18 inches over-all and are 35 inches high. The two drawers are a good size. Each comes about 14 3/4 inches wide and 4 1/2 inches deep. I fitted a sliding shelf into one of them for drills, folding rule, and other small tools.

But it is in the space behind the doors that you get a small world of storage space. I keep them open when I work at the bench. My cabinet holds a motor-driven grinder and polisher, an electric drill, small miter box, a rip and a crosscut saw, square, level, two planes, vise, a couple of extension cords, paint brushes, brace and bits, several boxes of nails, jars of screws, and a can of bolts. There is even space for three or four cans of paint. After all, there are two shelves, each of them 18 by 34 inches.

Many of these cabinets are sold without tops, which is fine. I made a top from 2 by 12 lumber and screwed it to the corner posts. You can hammer on that until kingdom come.

Incidentally, I cheated a little on the top. It extends two inches over each side of the cabinet and one inch over the front. You gain some extra working space that way.

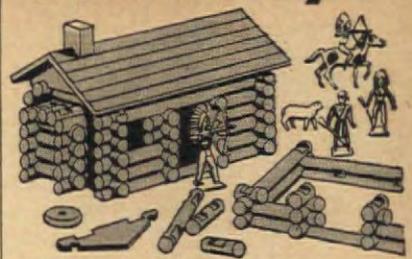
We compromised on a Congoleum rug with a couple of colorful Mexican rugs in the right places, so it's easy for me to sweep up after a job.

Maybe it isn't quite as handy when one has to open a drawer to get a hammer or a screwdriver as it is to pick them out of a clip on the wall, but it doesn't slow you down too much either. I find myself beginning to feel that maybe there is something to this kitchen idea of keeping things out of sight.

So far I've only oiled the cabinet. When the female architect decides what color she wants, I'll paint it. When we need the room, and she converts that bench into a dresser, no one will suspect its dual life.

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Later, when our Expedition was leaving for its return to the States (February, 1947) and I had occasion to make one last run to the old camp to mark the entrances against the future, I hacked out a piece of the messhall wall to send to you for analysis. I am mailing it to you for whatever purpose you may wish to use it, and if you ever want me to convince some doubting customer of yours, just lead me to him. At least I can assure you that when at last I build the home I've been planning throughout several years of roaming the world, the insulation will emphatically be Homasote.

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P.S. I forgot one item. When I was carrying your specimen up the rope ladder from the whaleboat to the ship, it fell out of my pack and drifted away to sea. To my amazement its generation-old waterproofing qualities were still intact for it kept floating! Another boat speared it with a boat hook an hour later and returned it to me, punctured, but still definitely useable wallboard. The hole, therefore, is a badge of honor rather than a defect.

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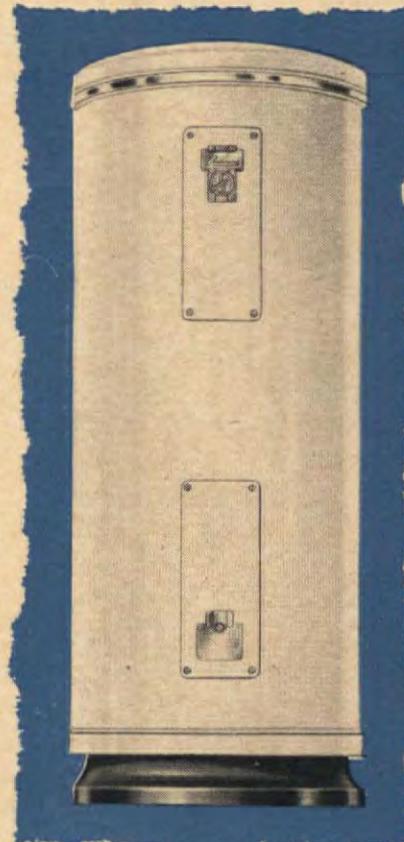
Tormented by thirst, the birds fight frantically for a drink from the pan of lukewarm water I just placed on the snow by our doorstep. Precocious blue jays first discovered it and, with raucous cries, announced their find, simultaneously indicating their intention of keeping the man-made spa for their exclusive use. But their triumphant notes advertised, rather than protected, their find and soon other birds, knowing that the jay is not as fierce as he sounds, flocked to see what he had uncovered this time. You see, they listen intently for the emotional shadings of his every tone. They know that one shrill scream warns of the slinking yellow cat, while another tells that the grapes have purpled. Flutelike notes assure them that all is well, whereas lusty shouts mean that he has come upon a rare treat — in this case, wet, drinkable water.

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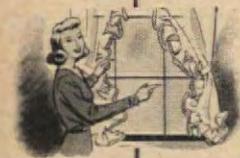
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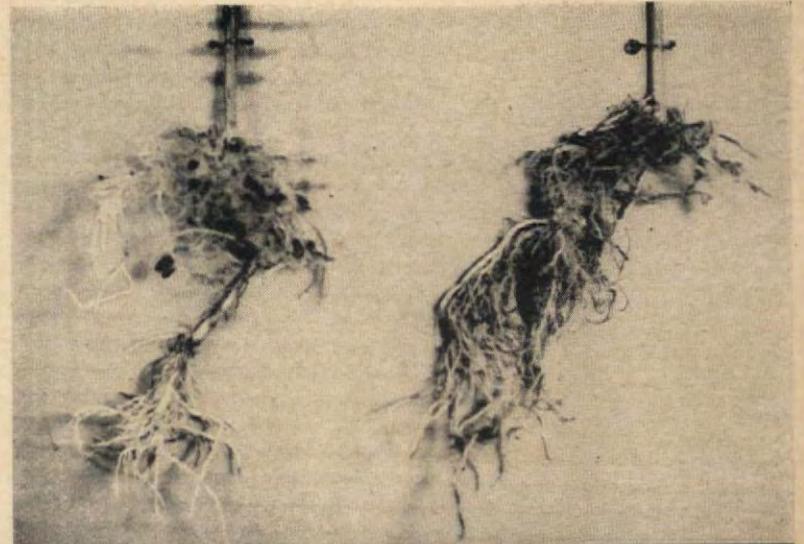
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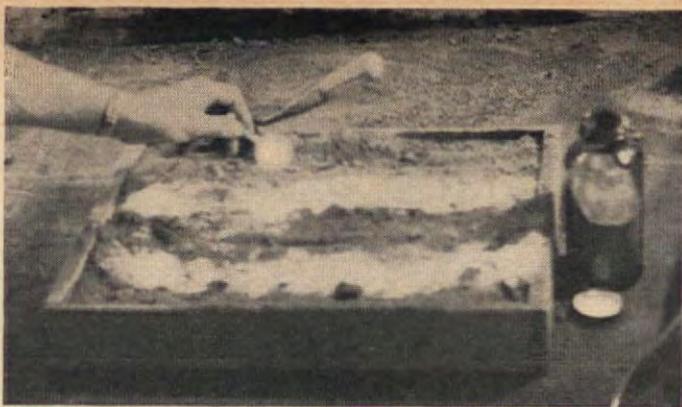


● Compare nematode-infested root system of gardenia (left, above) with that of healthy plant; note beginning of root knot on bare area. Below, fuchsia on right is the older plant, but it has been stunted by eelworms, and by red-spiders, which often attack weakened plants

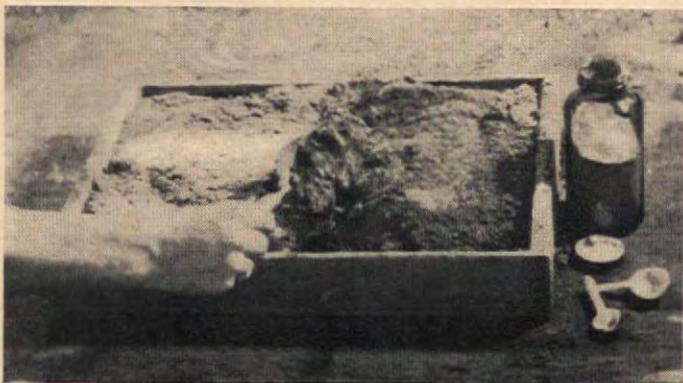


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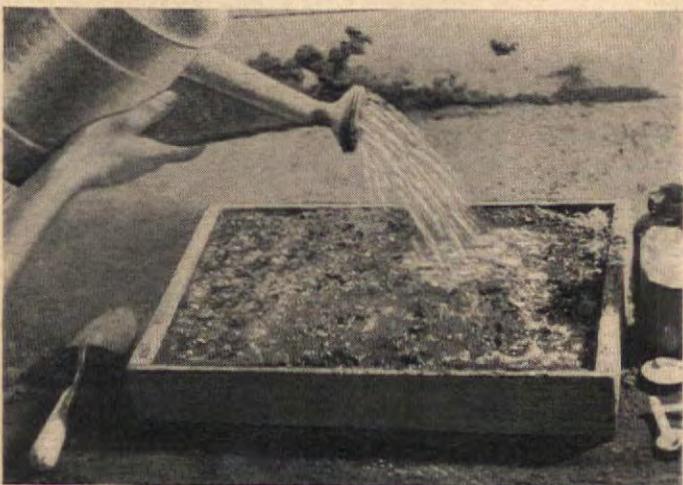
There's no question as to the value of a compost heap. But sometimes it can turn into a heap o' trouble. That is, if it becomes infested with nematodes. Nematode, of course, is the technical or scientific name; your practical gardener friend probably calls them eelworms—which is a most appropriate title—or possibly "nemas." They are microscopic, round, wormlike creatures which live in water, in moist soil, in decaying organic matter, and also, as parasites, in the living tissues of both animals and plants. That is to say, there are many, many kinds of eelworms, each with its preference as to the environment it lives in and the host that supports it, and each with its characteristic effect on that host. This last, of course, determines its status as far as man is concerned. While some forms can be called beneficial because they live on and destroy insect pests, such as the Japanese beetle, many are destructive, causing diseases of animals—including man—and plants. The plant troubles for which they are responsible may affect primarily the



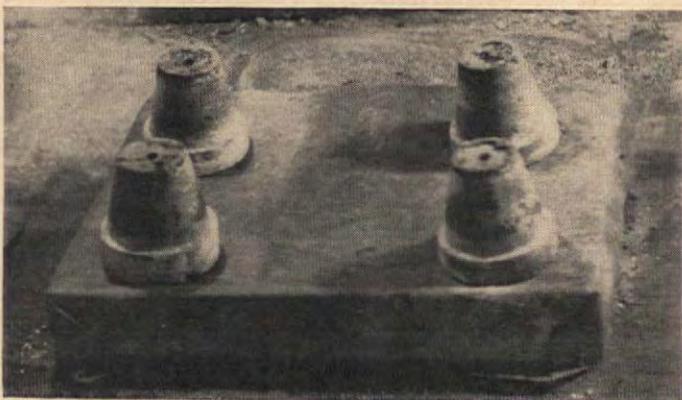
● For small-scale sterilization, have soil loose, dry, pulverized, free from trash. Spread not over 5" deep, and sprinkle on it a measured 1 lb. per bushel of soil of 6% formaldehyde dust. Or pour liquid into small holes and cover at once



● Stir soil well (pouring it back and forth from one container to another, if practical, is a good way) to distribute powder thoroughly. However, if liquid disinfectant is used instead, the vapor spreads and the soil stirring is not called for



● Whether dust or a wet disinfectant is used, wet the surface well. This dissolves the powder, and helps form a seal to hold fumes in soil. Cover tightly with tar paper, or wet paper or canvas, weight it down, and leave covered for 72 hours



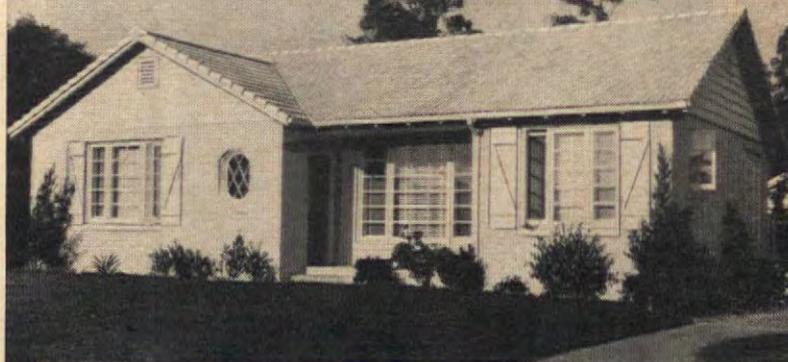
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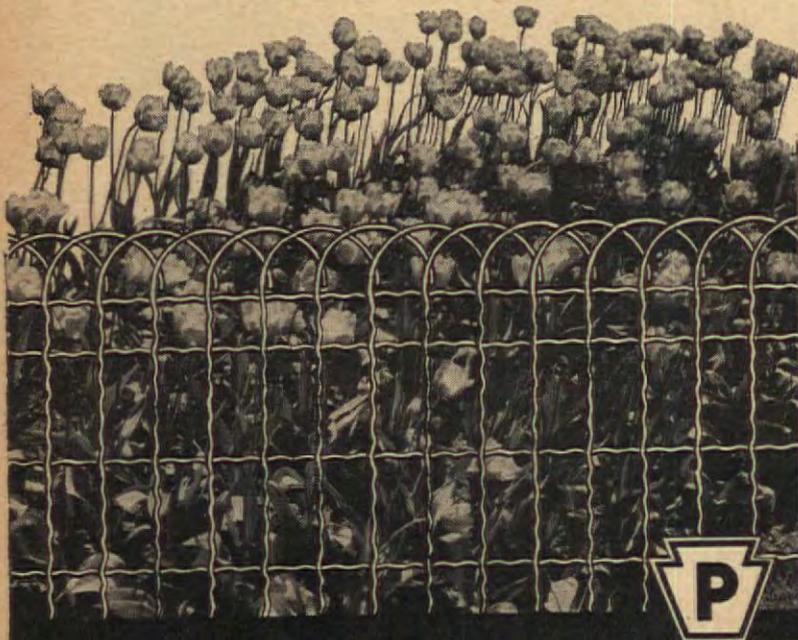
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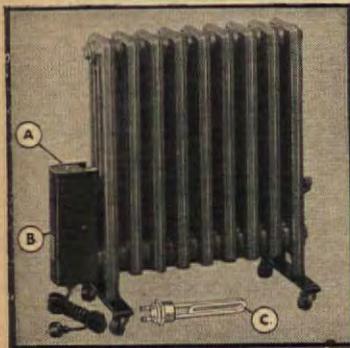
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roots, the foliage, or the stems or bulbs of their hosts; however, injury to one part may be accompanied by supplementary damage to other portions. The leaf nematode discolors and kills the leaves; the stem nematode causes tissue distortion, discoloration, and stunted growth (as in the narcissus, onion, and potato), while the type that bores into the roots of plants stimulates the tissues to develop galls or knots. This condition is called root-knot disease.

These minute parasites, which can be found all over the world, are especially prevalent in the South, where they cause great damage to field crops. In the North, they are considered more serious as greenhouse-crop pests because they cannot survive low temperatures. Winter freezing usually destroys those introduced into gardens via infested plants. Yet some do survive, including those that get into the compost heap where moisture and the heat produced by the process of slow combustion provide conditions favorable for their growth. However, though they can live in the soil, nematodes must find host plants upon which to feed—and this is not difficult since the root-knot nematode alone is known to attack more than 1300 species of wild and cultivated plants. And some of these are favorite house plants. Those commonly attacked by leaf or foliar eelworms include chrysanthemums, begonias, calceolarias, and coleus. Two bulbs often grown indoors and which are favorites with the bulb nematode are narcissus and hyacinth. And the root-infesting type is even more catholic in its tastes, working on coleus, poinsettia, Christmas-cherry, cyclamen, fuchsia, gardenia, and cineraria to mention only a few.

You can tell rather easily when a plant is infested, though there isn't any special manifestation associated with each kind. The most typical symptom of root-knot disease is the deformity of the roots. In some cases, the knots may develop at intervals, producing a beaded effect; in others, the swelling may be general, making the roots appear swollen and monstrous. Another common indication of nematode trouble is a lack of resistance to hot, dry weather. Infested plants wilt readily, and badly infested specimens present a more or less general sickly appearance. They will be noticeably dwarfed compared with healthy plants of the same age. Again the foliage of a diseased plant is a lighter green color than that of a plant with healthy roots. In severe cases, the leaves begin to die around the edges, or the whole plant may succumb in a comparatively short time. If the leaf spots are brown and centered between two veins so as to have a triangular or wedge shape, the presence of leaf nematodes can be suspected. However, if a plant just has an unthrifty appearance with no apparent cause, root-knot eelworms are indicated, and you had better ex-

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amine the roots for the easily recognizable galls or nodule-like growths.

And if, or when, you find that you have a nematode-ridden plant, what then? The best thing is to destroy, by burning, every such specimen. True, there are several ways in which some plants can be freed of its parasites, and cured. But as a rule they are difficult unless you have the proper materials and equipment; and sometimes they kill the patient as well as the disease you are fighting.

Scarce or valuable plants—sentimentally or otherwise—can be soaked for several minutes in 1 per cent formaldehyde. Or they can be given a hot-water treatment by being put for five minutes in water at a temperature of 85 to 95 degrees F. and then, for 30 minutes, in water held at 113 degrees. An established procedure for bulbs is to keep them in 110-degree water for from three to four hours. Thereafter, of course, the treated subjects should be planted or replanted only in clean, nematode-free soil. And that brings us to the most practical method of all for controlling nematodes; namely, soil sterilization. It is, of course, possible to escape danger and trouble by growing only kinds of plants that are not apparently hosts of the parasite. But that is likely to deprive you of some favorites.

For the average home gardener with limited facilities, the easiest way to sterilize soil is with toxic chemicals or "nematicides." There are a number of these on the market and new ones are being developed and introduced right along. Chloropicrin, commonly known as "tear gas" and sold under such trade names as Larvacide, is highly effective, but should be used carefully and exactly according to the manufacturer's directions. Others are carbon bisulphide (bad-smelling and flammable), calcium cyanide (available in dust form as Cyanogas), methyl bromide, and the familiar formaldehyde, which is certainly the easiest and safest for use in the small greenhouse or workshed, or around the house. How to use it, in the form of a 6 per cent dust, at the rate of 1 pound per bushel of soil, is graphically shown in the illustrations on page 91. Larger quantities of soil can be treated by merely using a larger container; but do not have the soil more than four or five inches deep. This means, of course, compost from your heap as well as soil from the garden, or any that may be suspected of harboring the destructive nematode.

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● Did you ever observe that, as soon as the gracefully drooping, long-spurred flower of the columbine withers and falls, the slender, wiry stem straightens itself up to hold erect the five-horned, five-celled cup, full to the brim of shiny black seeds?



● What amazing changes take place as flowers mature into fruits and seeds! When clematis sheds its raiment of petals, it quickly acquires these interesting, silky, swirling pompons made of delicate, feathery plumes—that we can enjoy!



M. A. ROCHE

● Do you know the subtle variations and muted color harmonies of twigs of dogwood, willow, kerria, and forsythia? Those of Indian-currant's coral berries, or the beauty-berry's amethyst clusters? Rosa multiflora's tiny red "hips"? And these larger fruits of the prairie rose?



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on the snow, and early firelight

● Do you seek high-lights to relieve masses of Christmas greens? Try the shimmering disks of lunaria; clusters of bright red winterberries; twigs of these waxy-white bayberries, or the larger, golden-freckled, silver berries of Eleagnus umbellata

● Leave these flat, tan pods of Iris foetidissima unpicked until, opening, they reveal their brilliant scarlet seeds. But baptisia pods, picked while still green, become a lovely slatey blue. As they dry, the seeds imprisoned within turn them into rattles





Photographs by John P. Roche

● Among the decorative, as well as interesting, seed-pods, that of the empress-tree is a pseudo-hickory nut; those of rose-of-sharon open like a 5-part flower. But the most perfect of all, those of the tulip-tree (left), form cups of narrow, pointed "petals" about a long, etched "pistil"



● I don't care so much for everlastings; their papery bracts seem too much like actual petals. Yet, in my own perversity, I do like these plushy plumes and crests of *Celosia*, especially of *C. argentea*, which range from buff to reds and purples

When the polished furniture seems suddenly too bare, the view from the picture window across the snow-blanketed garden too bleak, the flowerless room too empty and tidy to endure, then I know of no more agreeable and rewarding way to spend a winter evening than in the leisurely examination and arrangement of plant materials that were hurriedly gathered during summer's mad scramble and tucked away on the top shelf of pantry or tool shed to await just such a moment. Consider, for instance, seed-pods. Many of them are fascinating just to study, perhaps with the aid of a magnifying glass. Then, too, the plants in your herbaceous border may contribute even more to your collection than can the trees and shrubs. My favorites among the flowers are those which do not try to imitate the glories of another season. Unlike the everlastings, whose papery bracts refuse to fall and let the flower complete its life cycle, they, in their natural ripening and fruition, achieve a beauty all their own. One of them is the blue plantain-lily (*Hosta caerulea*). If you leave uncut some of the tall stalks, attractive little green bananas will appear along them, where the blossoms were; leave these alone and each will turn into a miniature pigskin pocket-book literally bursting with neatly packed, glossy black currency. These stunning black-and-tan clusters offer something for everyone: they can crown Mother's best arrangement efforts; Father can try his new camera on their unusual textures; the children can blow the winged seeds from the backs of their hands and watch their slow, but madly whirling, descent—and Auntie can sweep up after them! These notes and pictures can suggest only a few of many lovely things, some kept over from summer, others to be gathered now, or even later, when brisk, clear air, cold, blue sky, and snowdrifts lure you outdoors.



● There can still be found afield such things as the sumac's red suede berry pyramids; dark blue "grapes" of the thorny cat-brier; the cattail's brown "sausages," and these gentle milkweed bombs, which burst into black-studded, white-silk fluff



● How diverse in form and function are plants' fruiting mechanisms! These weigela seed-pods, and those of rhododendrons, are a sculptor's armature of their flowers. *Pieris japonica*, however, adorns itself with strings of exquisite carved beads

● Compare these upright pods of Siberian Iris with those of the Gladwyn iris opposite. A single stalk may look skimpy, but several, bound together with their tall, open-lipped, bronze chalice at different levels, are useful in many ways



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But if you plan to rely on elbow-grease and patience, you will need a good rake of the broom type, or, rather, several. For leaf-raking is much more jolly as a family affair than as a solo project; a summons to

and believe in conservation of natural resources, YOU WILL NOT BURN THEM. Instead, you will add them to the compost heap, without which a garden is sadly, tragically incomplete. If, perchance, they are full of twigs, branches, etc., they might better be



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used for mulching around shrubs and evergreens and on perennial borders, either when gathered or after the ground has frozen. And if, rarely, a bonfire is unavoidable, (1) keep it small; (2) keep it off the lawn or any other desirable grass or vegetation; (3) keep it off a paved terrace or tarred or asphalt drive or walk, and (4) above all, keep it away from and out from under trees. (You see, it will probably be easier to compost it after all and much better for your garden!)

The thought may occur, Why rake the leaves up at all? Don't they, under natural conditions, stay where they fall? Why isn't that the logical and best course? Well, the looks of the place is one reason. The fire hazard is another. Leaves allowed to lie



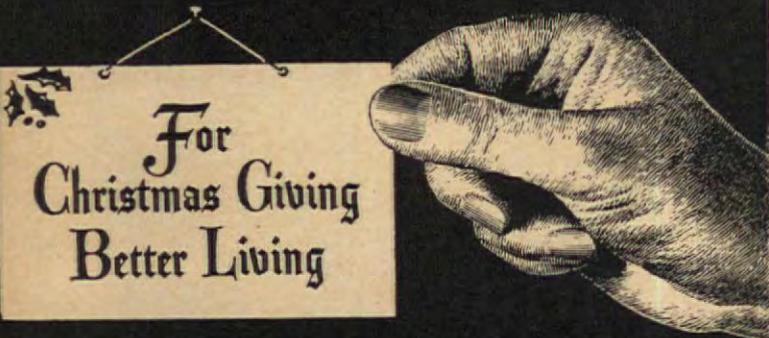
"Grab a rake and come on out" can make for a lot of fun. Also, one of the big, old-fashioned, wooden-bow lawn rakes is fine for handling oversized piles as they accumulate.

For carrying leaves, you can use a big piece of canvas or burlap and sling a huge, but light, bundle up on your shoulder. A two-person team can carry generous loads litterwise on the same strip. And small fry will enjoy helping with suitably sized baskets. There is a handy, knockdown affair of canvas and piping that can be trundled along; there are racks, carts, and wheeled baskets of various kinds; and a strip of burlap with lengths of pipe sewed into the two ends will keep an astonishingly large heap from cascading off a wheelbarrow, especially if a flat extension bed rack replaces the removable sides.

Where you take the leaves and what you do with them is important. If you have the soul of a gardener



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Roy B. Larson

As some trees age, they often become brittle, subject to disease, and susceptible to breakage in a high wind. It is certainly advisable to remove such menaces at the cost of a Saturday's work rather than remain subject to the danger of a breaking or falling tree and the expense and damage it could cause by falling indiscriminately. Excess shade trees, too, often create a problem by taking more than their share of plant-food and soil moisture. If you have put off the felling of an undesirable tree because of the high cost of having the work done, take heart! With the ambition and spirit of adventure of a true handyman, you can do the job yourself with some simple equipment.

In preparation, there should be assembled: A 5 ft. bucking-saw, which may be operated by either one or two persons; a woodsman's axe; 100 ft. of three-quarter inch rope, and wedges to put in the saw cut to force a leaning tree over, or to keep a log from pinching the saw as it is cut into lengths. Metal wedges can be bought, or satisfactory wooden ones can be made by sharpening 18-in. lengths of a hardwood 2 x 4.

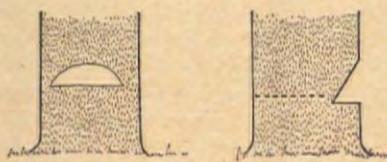


Fig. 1. Undercut, from front (left) and side; and felling cut (dotted line)

If there is sufficient area in which to drop the tree whole, first determine where it should fall to do the least damage and to be most easily cut into convenient sections. When this line has been determined, you are ready to make the first cut, known as the undercut. (Fig. 1) This being the factor which determines the direction in which the tree will fall, it requires close attention. It should be sawed at an exact 90-degree angle

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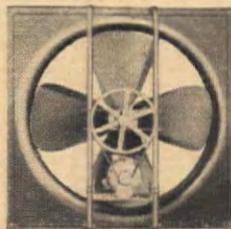
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to the line of fall, and should penetrate the tree about one-fourth of its diameter. (Fig. 2) After the undercut has been sawed in horizontally, the kerf is sawed or chopped out at about a 45-degree angle. Then clear out all the wood so as to form a clean notch on the line-of-fall side of the tree.

Next, start the actual felling cut from the opposite side of the tree. This should be horizontal and at least one inch above the base of the undercut. As it progresses, check on both sides to see that the saw is equidistant from the undercut. If one side leads the other, the tree will have a tendency to twist to the side which is least sawed, and this tendency may cause it to swing away from the desired line of fall. When it starts falling, move well back and to one side of the stump, for the trunk may bounce when it hits the ground. The operation may be likened to the working of a hinge. The undercut determines the direction in which it will swing, and since the tree will start to fall before it is cut completely through, the remaining wood fibers act as a pivot.

A leaning tree is undercut and treated in a slightly different manner.

The undercut is made as before, but, if the tree is leaning to the right of the line of fall, the felling cut is made unevenly; allowing the saw to lead on the right side of the tree. This leaves more wood fibers as a pivot on the left side, and tends to twist the tree back and make it fall true. For a tree leaning to the left the procedure is, of course, reversed. If a tree leans backward slightly from the line of fall, it can be driven over by inserting a wedge or two in the felling cut and hammering it (or them) in as the saw cut deepens. Stop the felling cut when it lacks about an inch of reaching the deepest part of the undercut. Then drive the wedge in until the tree falls.

If the available space does not permit felling the tree in one piece, it can be taken down in sections. (Fig. 3) Start at the top and saw the limbs off, leaving enough stubs for adequate hand- and footholds. Eight feet or so above the point where the uppercut will be made, tie a rope around the trunk and have a helper on the ground ready to keep a strain on it. Again saw the undercut (it is safer not to take an axe up a tree), then move around to the opposite side to make the felling cut. Meanwhile the helper keeps the rope taut to make doubly sure that the section falls in the proper direction. It is well to fasten a safety belt or short piece of rope around the tree and the body of the worker. The work is easier if

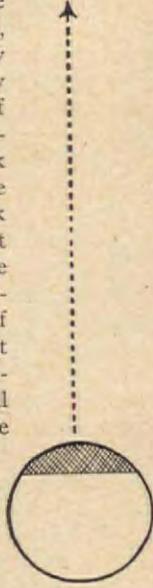


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there is something to lean back against; also, if the tree should sway as a section falls, the belt will prevent the man aloft from being jarred loose. Move down the tree to the base of the next section and repeat the operation. If a stout string was carried up in the first place, the rope can be hauled up after each section has been dropped to save repeated trips to the ground. In a very tight spot (or in the case of a large tree) short sections can be cut, and they and the limbs lowered to the ground, with minimum risk and chance of damage. When doing this, wrap the rope for one turn around the base of one of remaining limbs so it will bear the direct weight as the helper allows the rope to slip little by little. Sawing while up in a tree is much more difficult than sawing on the ground, so it is fortunate that this method is not often necessary on the average home property. Ordinarily, 6 to 12 ft. sections can be handled conveniently. To prevent the saw binding because of an accumulation of sap or pitch, sprinkle a kerosene and oil mixture on it before starting a cut, and as often as necessary.

And when the tree is down, what do you do with it? If you have a fireplace, or wood-burning stove or furnace, you'll probably want to cut it

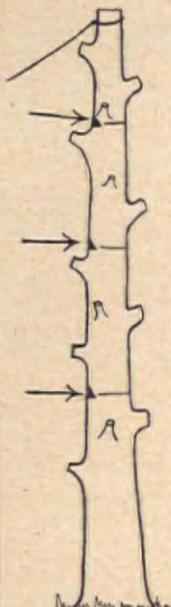


Fig. 3. Sectional undercuts indicated by arrows

into suitable lengths and split most of them into firewood. The shorter the lengths, the easier they will split, but at least two iron splitting wedges will be needed, and a 6 or 8 pound sledge. Avoid trying to split through knots. Split rails are another interesting possibility. A homemade rail fence is a feature of which any homeowner and his family can well be proud.

While tree-felling can be done by any man willing to sweat a little, here are some very important safety precautions: Don't chop toward your feet in removing the limbs from the logs, or while chopping a log. The axe may glance off and into the foot.

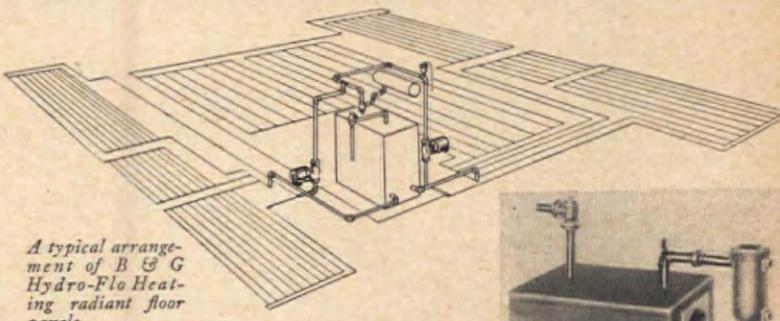
Tie a rope to every limb, tree, or trunk section which you do not feel positive will go where it is aimed by its undercut. Have someone below at a safe distance keep a steady strain on the rope while the felling cut is being made. Lower tools, don't drop them. Always run back and to the side of a tree as it starts to fall. Keep the inevitable spectators at a safe distance. And, oh, yes (the easiest and most satisfying part of all): Don't forget to yell, "Tim-ber-r-r!"

In general, stick to small trees, and employ expert help for big ones.

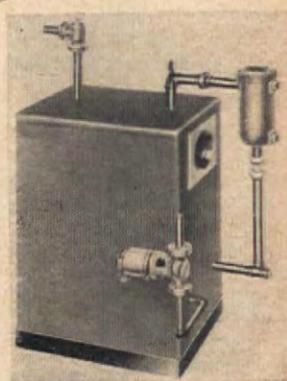


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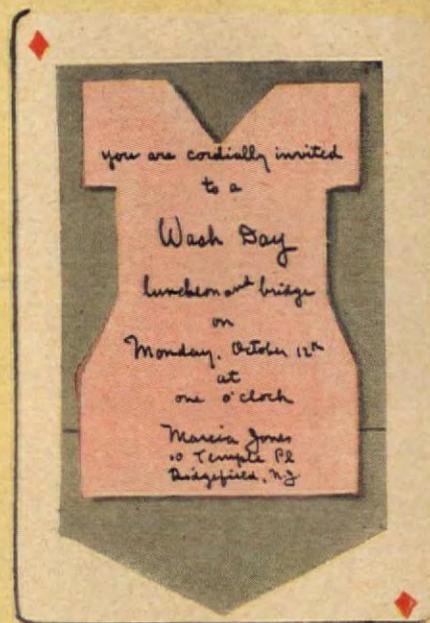
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• Change the routine by having a luncheon—and—bridge on Monday. Call it a WASHDAY PARTY, roll up the invitation in an envelope, as if it were a dress, dampened, in a towel. Cut clever paper shapes—like wash hanging on clothesline

• Luncheon table—bird's eye view. Ribbon clothesline can actually be a ribbon or Scotch tape. Clothespins snipped out of Scotch tape. Informal place mats simulate "wash". Tie large, handsome bows at corners



Drawings by Lorraine Fox

• Flowers for the centerpiece are arranged in familiar tin soap-flake container, several are more effective if your table is large. Select garden favorites, mass color together. Use rhododendron leaves for extra greenery

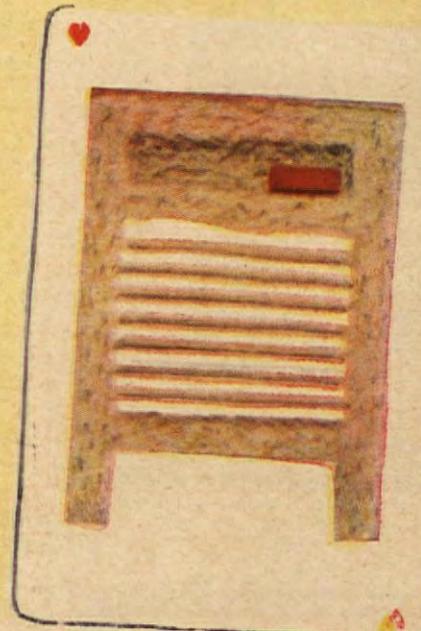


• Cut a small oblong of bread scooped out at top. Spread with cream cheese and score with a fork. Soap is piece of pimento or green pickle. Cut away bread to form legs at opposite end

• In a doll's clothesbasket place rolled sandwiches to simulate rolled-up dampened clothes. Make up sandwiches ahead of time, keep in refrigerator until ready to serve. Paste filling gives best results



• Paste a clothespin on piece of Bristol board. Another piece bearing guest's name is slipped in open end of clothespin and secured with glue or Scotch tape. Paint clothespin to tie in with your color scheme



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1½ cups macaroni	¼ cup chopped onion
½ lb. American cheese	Salt and pepper
¼ cups milk	4 slices bologna
¼ to ½ tsp. Worcestershire sauce	1 No. 2 can Del Monte <i>Early Garden</i> Peas

Cook macaroni in salted boiling water till tender. Set aside enough cheese for topping; cut up the rest and heat with milk in double boiler till soft. Beat with rotary beater till smooth. Add Worcestershire sauce; onion. Mix with macaroni in shallow 5-cup greased casserole; salt and pepper to taste. Top with cheese slices; cover; bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 20 min. Fry bologna gently on one side; fasten with toothpicks. Place on baked macaroni; fill with hot, seasoned peas; garnish with pimiento. Edge with the rest of the Del Monte *Early Garden* Peas. Serves 4.



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• For dessert, a cupcake hollowed out and filled with ice cream or whipped cream. Gum-drop circlets, cut in half, for handles. Fresh, billowy as a newly filled laundry basket



• Or, serve ice cream with lady finger, snipped to look like a fat clothespin. Chubby, edible as well as amusing—sure to be a special favorite



• Or, oblong cake scooped out in two square hollows, like old-fashioned washtubs, gelatin cubes one side, whipped cream on other. Soap is a gum drop—placed at side



• Now on to bridge. Covered Lux Box is used for forfeits. Losing couple forfeits 5c a trick, 10c if vulnerable. Couple losing three time: in succession substitutes word "suds" for clubs when bidding, and forfeits 5c if they forget. All players say "duzzle" and "reduzzle" instead of double and redouble and must forfeit 5c if they forget

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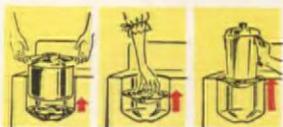
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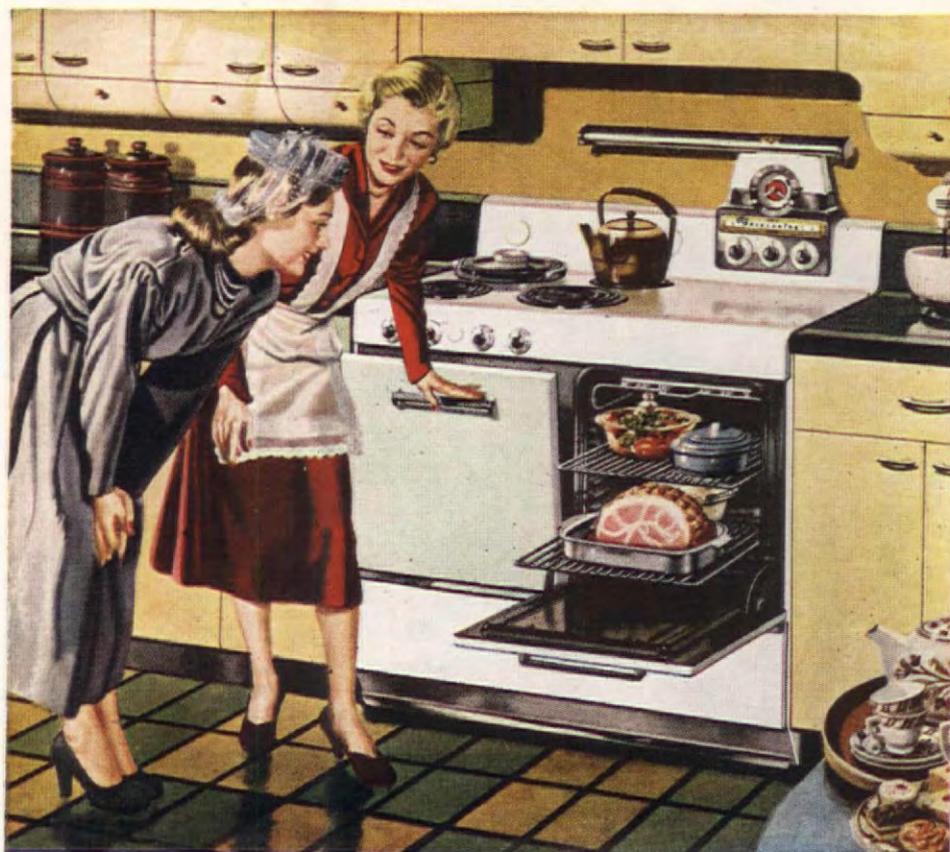
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● Make these perky pilgrim figures yourself. Use as place cards—or arrange them in centerpiece. Place two strips paper "X" shape across table. Spot twelve couples so they appear to walk towards four corners of table. Anchor tufts of evergreen along walk—center clump largest of all. Ideas: Vera La Fountain Dunn



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★By *Patricia Collier*

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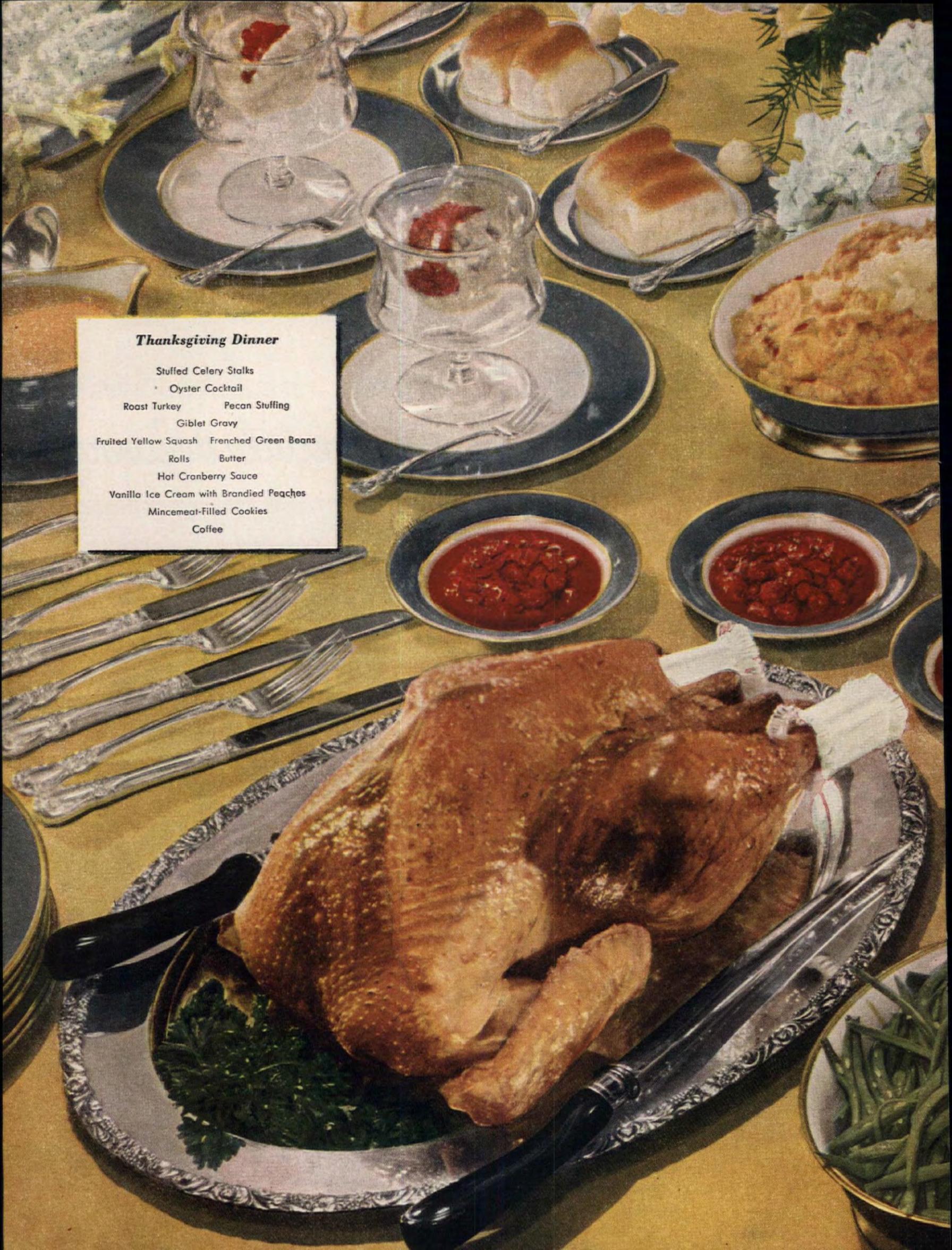
the Harvest Moon

Let autumn hues be your color guide for a late Thanksgiving Day table setting. Our choice here is a marzipan arrangement on a natural-oak Lazy Susan. Sculptured bits of beauty, gems of marzipan candy, tumble forth from the traditional horn of plenty in the form of apples, sunburned pumpkins, golden corn, roasted turkeys, and high-crowned pilgrims' hats. All may be easily and attractively fashioned by even the youngest member of the family.

The harvest theme is continued in the figured tablecloth. Natural-colored serving dishes, transparent glass, chrome candlesticks, and sterling flatware all add up to a festive holiday table.

For those in your family who can't resist that last taste of turkey, serve a light supper of delicious leftover turkey salad, hot rolls, macaroons, and fragrant, hot, spiced cider. Munching happily, the children will go off to bed to dream of tiny, shiny, pearly-gray pilgrim figures scampering over crescent-shaped moons.

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Thanksgiving Dinner

Stuffed Celery Stalks
Oyster Cocktail
Roast Turkey Pecan Stuffing
Giblet Gravy
Fruited Yellow Squash Frenched Green Beans
Rolls Butter
Hot Cranberry Sauce
Vanilla Ice Cream with Brandied Peaches
Mincemeat-Filled Cookies
Coffee

I'll never forget the Thanksgiving I decided we should have help with the dishes. It was considered odd, with four grown women in the house and as many in-laws coming, but I insisted. At the time it seemed necessary to me. "Help," where we lived, meant a high-school girl. At the appointed hour one came. She was pretty as a picture. Her name was Ellen. She wore a white blouse, with three-quarter sleeves ending in a tight rim of ruffles. Her goldy hair was shoulder length. She was shy and very slim and walked timidly into our crowded kitchen.

Around her, pots and pans banged, steaming water ran down the sink, salad greens spread, gravy spluttered. She seemed to grow more and more frail. We could not find anything light enough for her to do, so we sat her on a stool out of harm's way. When the turkey was done, we fed her, paid her, and sent her home, ruffles unwilted! I never suggested help again.

Holiday foods are really a delight . . . to the nose, to the imagination, in color, in plenty, in family traditions. But no woman likes everything about cooking. I always know this when I face the squash. The size of the Hubbard, the size of the knife required to hack it, the amount of steam that comes when the yellow pulp is scraped from the rind, all daunt me. Only after this preparation is over does the texture and fragrance of the vegetable begin to please; then, as I fold in butter and cream and shake fresh ground pepper over it, it has charm. But I give more thanks on Thanksgiving day now because of the frozen squash on the market. I have the same good feeling because of canned pumpkin. It makes pie baking a pleasure.

For another woman, cleaned, quick-frozen turkeys could make the holiday feast a happier thing, or canned whole cranberry sauce, or pastry mix. These foods free the kitchen of so many of the hardest-to-wash pots and pans. An orderly kitchen puts a restful feeling in the cook's heart. That was the feeling I wanted when I suggested help with the dishes. Thanksgiving feast was *for* all, shouldn't thanks come *from* all—especially from the kitchen?



Thanksgiving for all...

**This-n-that
about sausage**

BY
Marie Gifford



Director, Armour Consumer Service

Pork Sausage and Crumbed Cauliflower are unexpected dinner partners that really hit it off together. Choose either Armour Star Pork Sausage Links or Patties—one is as good as the other. Fry sausage slowly 15-18 minutes in a heavy pan. Turn gently to avoid breaking casings. Pour off fat as it accumulates. In the meantime have a medium-sized cauliflower simmering in enough salted water to cover it. (About 20 minutes.) Brown ¼ cup bread crumbs in ½ cup sausage drippings and pour over cauliflower. Nest in a bed of bright green peas, surround with sausage—and bring on the appetites!

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Cranberry Jelly
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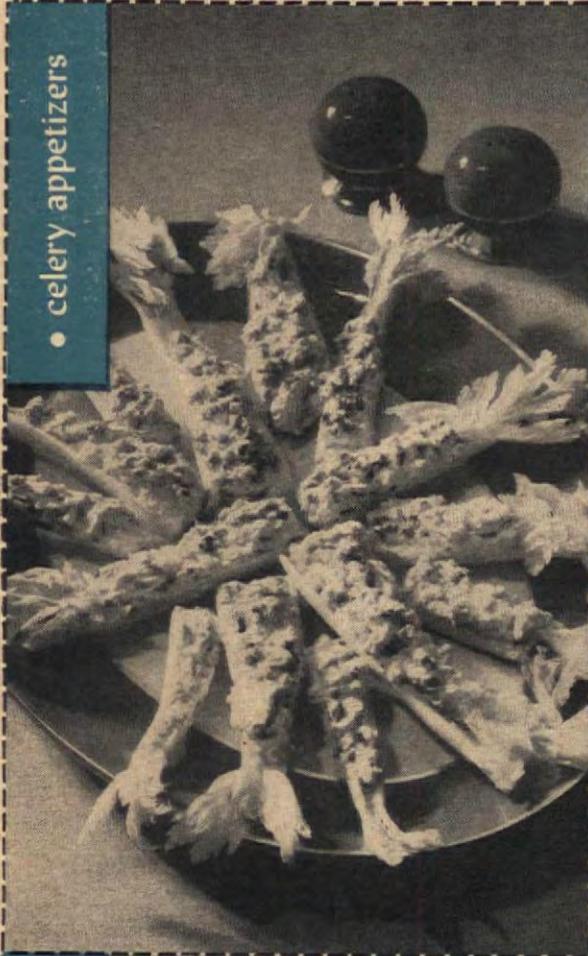
Definite Change

Hot Clam Broth
Braised Lamb Shanks
Scalloped Potatoes
Buttered Carrot Rings with Mint
Pear filled with Grapes mixed with Sour Cream
Coffee

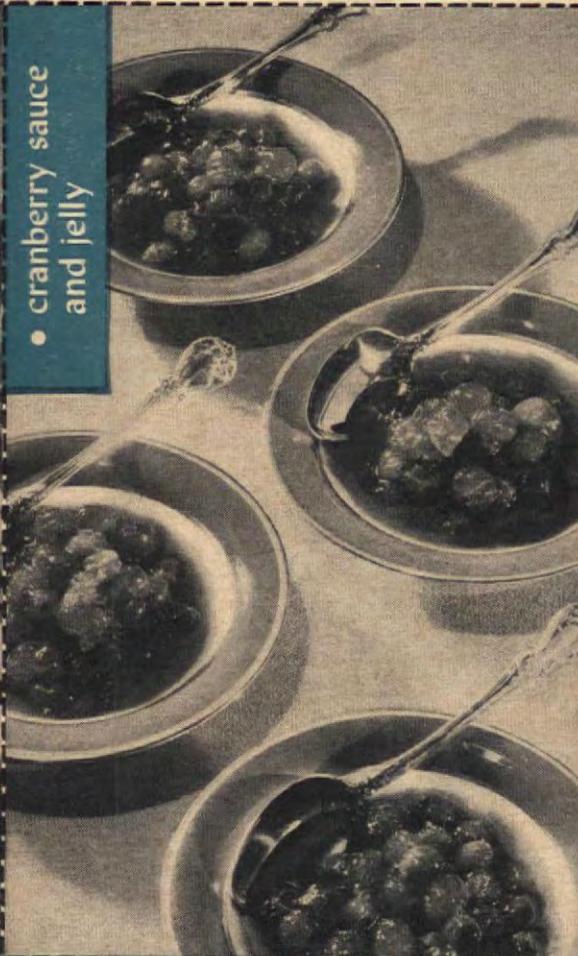
Poor Day Dinner

Tomato Soup
Sausage with Gravy on Mashed Potatoes
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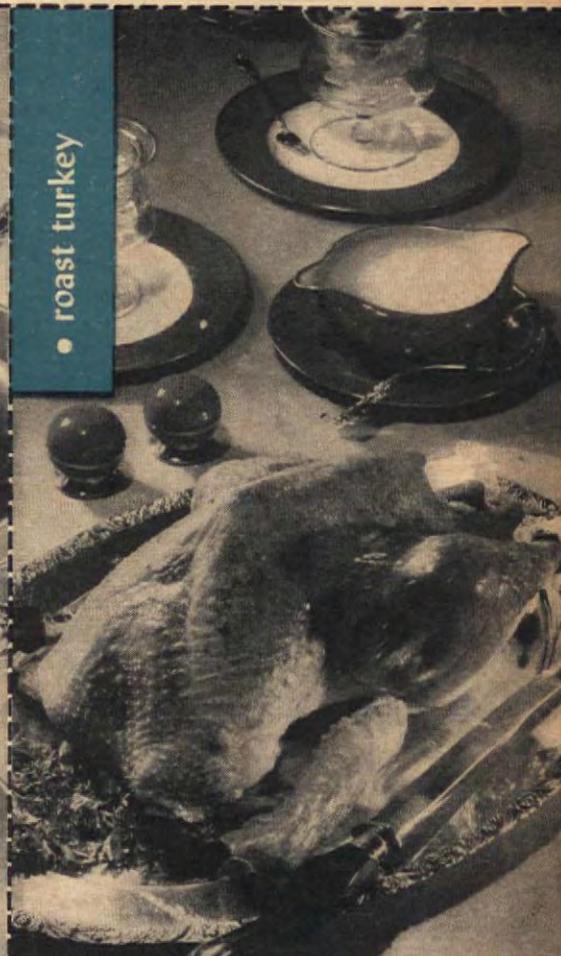
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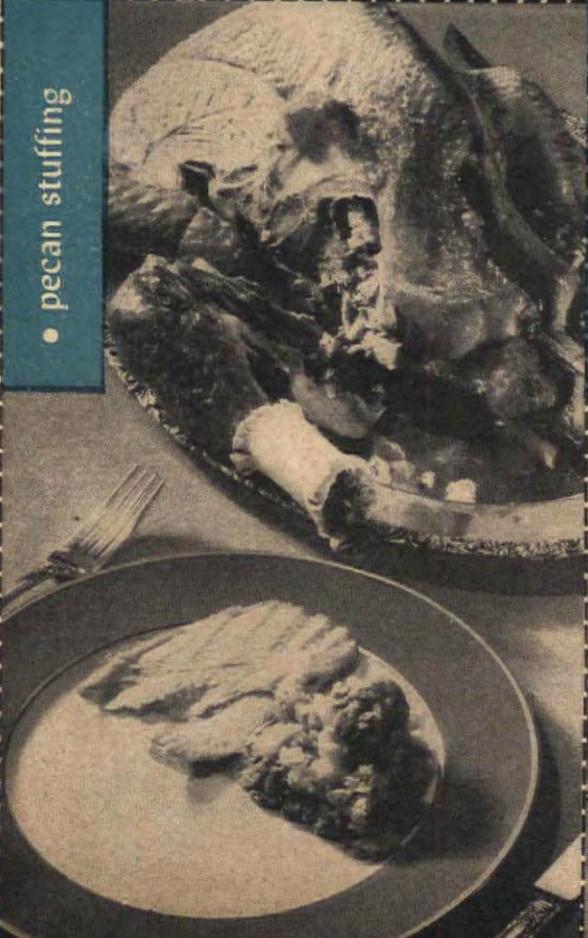
• cranberry sauce and jelly



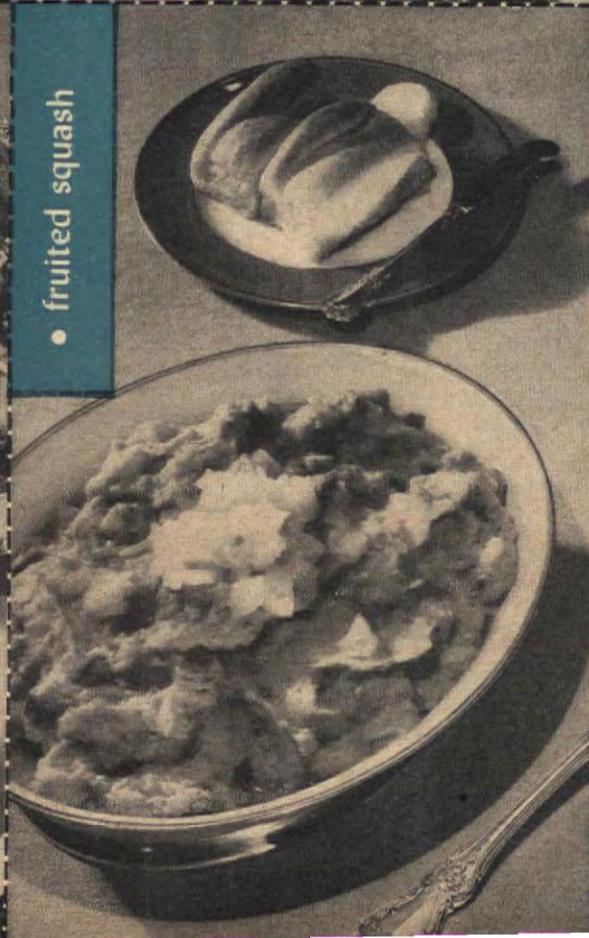
• roast turkey



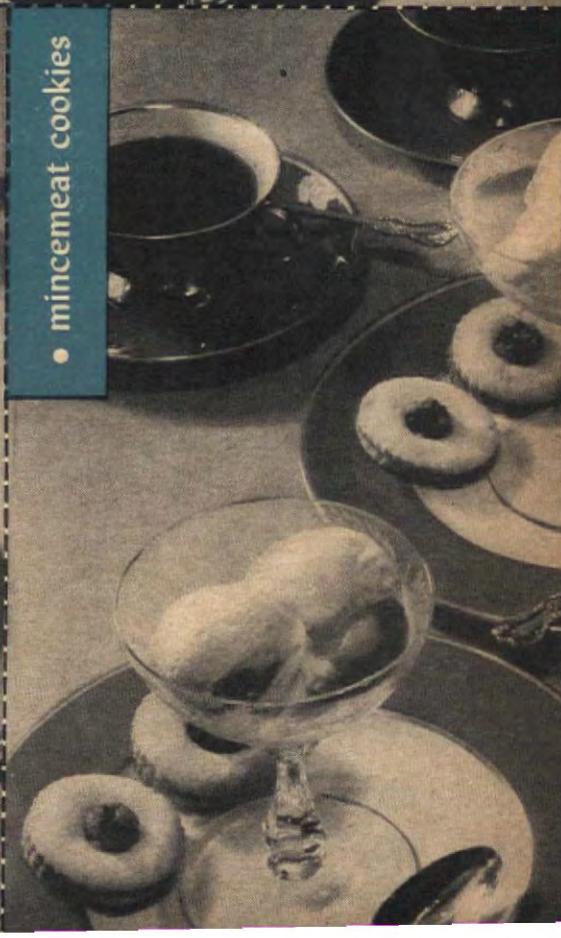
• pecan stuffing



• fruited squash



• mincemeat cookies



Preparation time: 25 min.

1/3 cup butter or margarine
2 hard-cooked egg yolks, sieved
1/4 cup sugar

Cream the butter; add sieved egg yolks and sugar and blend well. Stir in the flour and mix thoroughly. Roll dough 1/8 inch thick between two sheets of wax paper. Cut with well-floured cookie cutters into 1 1/2 inch rounds and the same number of rings. Place cookies on a lightly greased cookie sheet and bake in a moderately hot oven (400°F) 8-10 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool cookies. Just before serving spread the rounds with a thin layer of mincemeat. Place a ring on top of each round and add a little more mincemeat to fill centers.

Makes 2 doz. filled cookies

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• mincemeat cookies

1 cup sifted flour
Mincemeat

67 cal. per cookie

Preparation time: 45 min.

3 cups mashed cooked squash or
2 (1 lb.) packages frozen squash
1 cup fresh cranberries, chopped
1/2 cup drained crushed pineapple
1 tbs. sugar

Mash squash with fork. Add chopped cranberries; pineapple, sugar, nuts, butter, egg and seasonings to taste and mix thoroughly. Place mixture in a greased casserole and dot with butter. Cover and bake in a moderately hot oven (400°F) 35 minutes. Serve hot and garnish with 1/4 cup crushed pineapple.

Serves 6

178 cal. per serving

**Omit peanuts if pecan stuffing is used in turkey.*

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• fruited squash

*1/4 cup chopped salted peanuts
4 tbs. melted butter or margarine
1 egg, beaten, or 1/4 cup evaporated milk
Salt, pepper and nutmeg to taste

Source of vitamin A

• pecan stuffing

1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/4 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped celery leaves and stalks
2 tbs. minced parsley
1 tsp. thyme
1/2 tsp. sage
1/4 tsp. ground cloves

Melt butter in a skillet; add onion, celery and seasonings and cook over low heat for 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Add to bread crumbs and pecans and mix well. Makes enough stuffing for a 10-12 lb. turkey.

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• roast turkey

Clean turkey well, removing hair by singeing and pin feathers with tweezers. Wash and dry inside and out. Season inside of turkey lightly with salt. Place enough stuffing in neck to fill it nicely. Fasten neck skin to back. Bend wing tips onto back. Stuff body cavity, filling it 2/3 full. Lace opening with a string to hold in stuffing. Bring leg ends together and tie to tail. Brush skin with melted fat.

Place bird on rack in roasting pan. Moisten a piece of cheesecloth with melted fat and place over top and sides of turkey. Roast, uncovered, in a preheated oven at a constant low temperature. Do not add water but sprinkle melted fat over cloth as it becomes dry. Cut trussing string between drumsticks after about 1 hour of roasting to insure better cooking of the thighs.

TIME FOR ROASTING TURKEY

Weight Ready for Oven
8 to 10 lbs.
10 to 14 lbs.
14 to 18 lbs.

Total Roasting Time
3 to 3 1/2 hrs.
3 1/2 to 4 hrs.
4 to 5 hrs.

Oven Temperature
325°F
325°F
300°F

To test turkey for doneness: Move the leg by grasping end bone. If the drumstick thigh joints break or move easily, the turkey is done. Or, press thickest part of drumstick with fingers, protected with cloth. When meat is soft, turkey is done.

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• cranberry sauce and jelly

Preparation time: 10 min.

SAUCE:

2 cups sugar
2 cups water

4 cups fresh cranberries

Boil sugar and water together 5 minutes. Pick over and wash cranberries. Add to syrup and boil without stirring until all the skins pop open (about 5 minutes). Remove from heat; cool sauce in saucepan. Makes about 1 qt. sauce.

Preparation time: 20 min. (chill 2-3 hrs.)

JELLY:

4 cups fresh cranberries
2 cups water

Wash and pick over cranberries. Cook in water until all the skins pop open. Place in a sieve and allow juice to drip through into a bowl. Mash with a spoon several times to obtain most of the pulp and juice. Add sugar to the juice and boil rapidly for about 3 minutes. Skim and pour into one large mold or individual molds. Chill until firm.

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• celery appetizers

Select small, crisp celery stalks; wash and trim, leaving tips of leaves on stalks, and crisp in ice water. Dry on absorbent paper before stuffing. Fill grooves with one of the following mixtures and chill before serving:

1. Mix together equal parts of cottage cheese and cream cheese. Add a touch of minced onion and chopped water cress and moisten with a little sour cream or mayonnaise. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
2. Crumble one (3 oz.) package of blue cheese into a bowl. Add 1/4 cup condensed tomato soup and mix well. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
3. Mix together one (2 1/2 oz.) can deviled ham, 1 tbs. grated American cheese, 1 tsp. chopped sweet pickle and 1/2 tsp. prepared horseradish. Moisten with a little mayonnaise.

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• Once in awhile enjoy the baby's liberal fruit diet, and make a dessert parfait for lunch. Apricot purée between layers of ice cream or tapioca does it



• Keep Gruyere cheese in the refrigerator, but, for best flavor, bring it to room temperature before dinner time. Crackers and apple quarters flatter it



• Vegetables, sliced very thin, can be "panned" rather than boiled. Use a small heavy utensil. Add a little water and fat. Cover and cook very slowly

..just add Nuts

MARY H. CULBERTSON

Every fall when the maple leaves have turned red as a foxtail, the oaks burnished as mahogany, the air as clear and fragrant as wine, we go a' nutting. It is fun to poke among the fallen leaves of the hickory tree. Hickory nuts are the most delicate of all nuts. Is it called Shell Bark or Hickory nut in your particular neck of the woods? Sometimes the nuts lie white and smooth, ready and waiting for the lucky person—or for squirrel or chipmunk to come for them.

The Black or American Walnut is messy to gather and hard on the hand, for the outer covering must soften and rot off before the hard shell dries. Then it can be cracked and the rich,

oily and distinctive kernel patiently picked out.

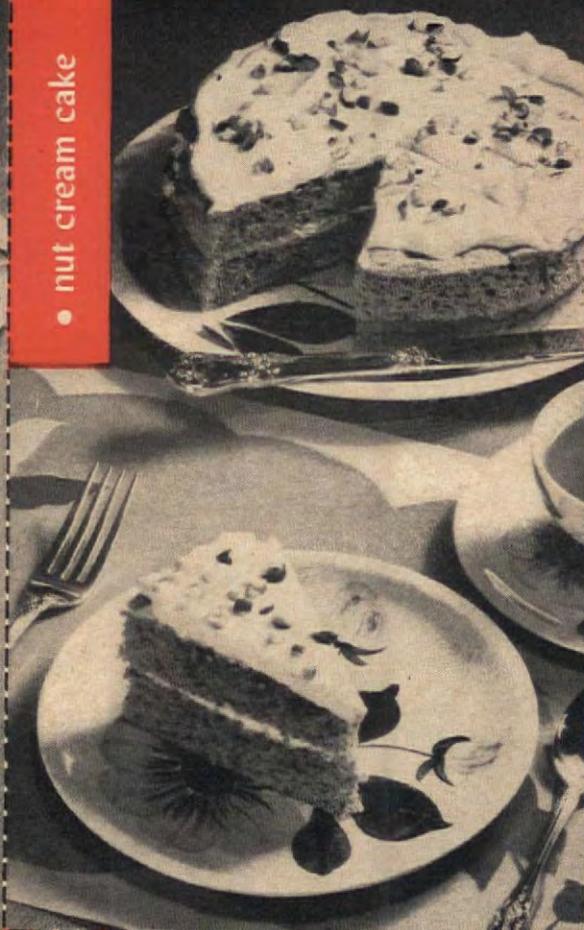
With the Chinese Chestnuts now bearing, we hurry to get the prickly, just-opened burrs with their velvet-soft linings and the three precious chestnut kernels carefully cradled within.

The Hazlenut or Filbert, the trees bright with yellow leaves, live happily in the rock row between the alfalfa fields. The light brown nuts, growing in clusters, have purplish husks. Besides their good flavor, the ease with which the shell is broken and the kernel removed has always made them great favorites with us. All these nuts are good plain or salted. Using them as a cooking ingredient only adds to their popularity.

• hickory-nut fruit cake



• nut cream cake



• nut souffle



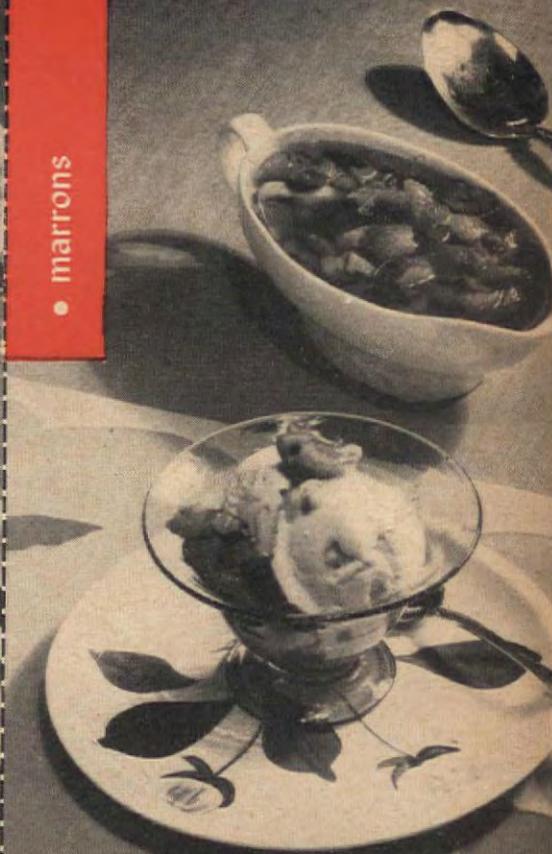
• pumpkin pie with walnut topping



• black-walnut soup



• marrons



● **marrons**

Preparation time: 30 min.

- 2 lbs. chestnuts
- 2 cups sugar

- 4 cups water
- 2 tsp. vanilla flavoring

Boil chestnuts for 5 minutes. Cool, remove outer and inner skins and cut in quarters. Make a syrup of the sugar and water, add chestnuts and bring to a boil. Simmer until the chestnuts are soft but not mushy. Add the vanilla and seal in hot sterilized jars. Use as a sauce for ice cream or Spanish cream or in such desserts as Marron bombe, parfait or plombiere.

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● **black-walnut soup**

Preparation time: 30 min.

- 2 tbs. butter or chicken fat
- 3 tbs. flour
- 4 cups chicken broth or consommé
- 1 bay leaf

- 1/2 cup finely chopped black walnuts
- 1 cup light cream
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 4 tbs. sour cream

Melt butter, add flour and stir until blended. Add broth and stir until soup comes to a boil. Add bay leaf and walnuts and allow to simmer 15-20 minutes. Remove bay leaf. Add cream, salt and pepper to taste; heat thoroughly and serve. Garnish each portion of soup with a spoonful of sour cream.

Serves 4 359 cal. per serving

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● **pumpkin pie with walnut topping**

Preparation time: 1 hr. (1-2 hrs. to chill dough)

- 1/4 cup boiling water
- 1/2 cup lard or shortening
- 1 1/2 cups sifted cake flour
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 2 tsp. salt
- 3 eggs, well beaten
- 1 cup sugar

- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp. ginger
- 1/4 tsp. ground cloves
- 1 3/4 cups milk
- 1 3/4 cups cooked or canned pumpkin
- 2/3 cup finely chopped walnuts

Pour boiling water over lard or shortening in a bowl and beat together until creamy. Chill thoroughly. Sift together flour, baking powder and 1 tsp. of the salt and combine with the chilled shortening, mixing until it forms a ball. Cover and chill until dough is firm. Roll out and line a 9-inch pie pan. Combine eggs, sugar, remaining 1 tsp. salt and spices. Gradually stir in the milk and then pumpkin. Pour into the unbaked pie shell and sprinkle the top with chopped nuts. Bake in a hot oven (450°F) 10 minutes. Reduce heat to moderate (350°F) and bake 30 minutes or until firm.

Serves 8 393 cal. per serving

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● **nut soufflé**

Preparation time: 1 hr.

- 4 eggs, separated
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 3 tbs. flour
- 1 tsp. quick cooking tapioca

- Dash of salt
- 1 cup hot milk
- 1 cup finely ground filberts
- 3 tbs. butter or margarine

Beat yolks of eggs until very light. Mix together sugar, flour, tapioca and salt and add gradually to beaten egg yolks. Stir in hot milk. Cook mixture in a double boiler over boiling water, stirring constantly until the custard thickens. Add the ground filberts and the butter. Allow to cool. Beat egg whites until stiff and gently fold into nut mixture. Pour into a greased casserole and bake in a moderate oven (350°F) for about 30 minutes. Serve warm with whipped cream, sweetened and flavored with a dash of strong coffee.

Serves 4 547 cal. per serving

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● **nut cream cake**

Preparation time: 45 min.

- 8 eggs, separated
- 1 cup sugar
- 9 tbs. sifted flour

- 1/2 lb. shelled filberts or hickory nuts
- 4 tbs. dry bread crumbs
- 1 tsp. baking powder

Beat yolks of eggs until very light, add sugar and then flour, beating continually. Put nuts through the finest blade of a food chopper and mix with the bread crumbs and baking powder. Add to the first mixture, mixing well. Fold in the egg whites which have been stiffly beaten. Pour into two greased and paper-lined, 8-inch layer cake pans. Bake in a slow oven (325°F) 25-30 minutes. Cool and put the layers together with sweetened whipped cream. Cover the top layer with whipped cream and garnish with chopped nuts.

Serves 8 357 cal. per serving

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● **hickory-nut fruit cake**

Preparation time: 1 1/4 hrs.

- 1/4 lb. butter or margarine
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 eggs, separated
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 cups sifted flour

- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 lb. seeded raisins
- 1/2 lb. currants
- 1 cup chopped filberts, hickory or walnuts
- 3 oz. brandy (1/3 cup)

Cream butter, add sugar and blend well. Beat egg yolks until light and add to butter mixture. Then add milk, and then flour sifted with baking soda. Add a little flour to the raisins, currants and chopped nuts, mix together and stir into the batter. Flavor with brandy and fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour into a greased and floured 9 x 5 x 3 inch loaf pan and bake in a slow oven (325°F) for an hour or until cake is done. This cake will keep fresh for two or three days.

Serves 8-10 595 cal. per serving

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● Put yeast dough to rise over a bowl of hot water. Add hot water from time to time as needed. Cover bowl with towel to ward off sudden draughts



● Onions can be brought to a brown glaze if basted with the fat drippings from a roast. Brown in slow oven or over low heat, shaking the pan frequently



● Macaroni cooked and cooled for a salad should be well rinsed with cold water before being mixed with other ingredients. Separate pieces with fingers

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By FRANCES BARTON

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3. Combine ½ cup ketchup, 2 tbs. pickle relish, and a dash of hot sauce. Add 1 can of baked beans, any diced left-over meat available, mix lightly, heat very slowly, covered.
4. Melt 1 tbs. butter, add 2 tbs. minced onion and 2 tsp. chili powder, and ½ cup water. Add 1 can red kidney beans, drained. Heat slowly.
5. Combine 1 small can tomato sauce, 1 tbs. cider vinegar, 1 tsp. butter, 1 tsp. sugar and a small onion, chopped. Add to 1 can baked beans and heat, covered, without stirring, 5 minutes.
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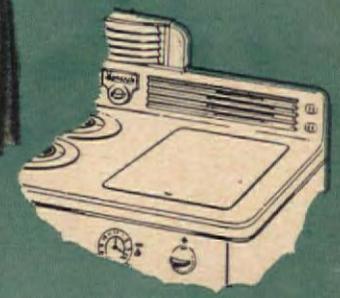
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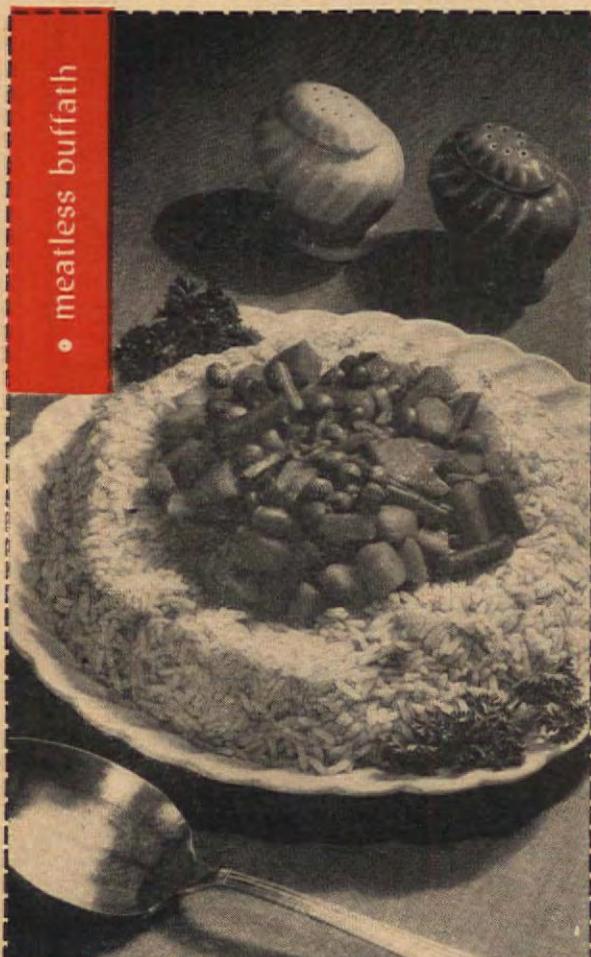
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JANE ORCHARD

• meatless buffath



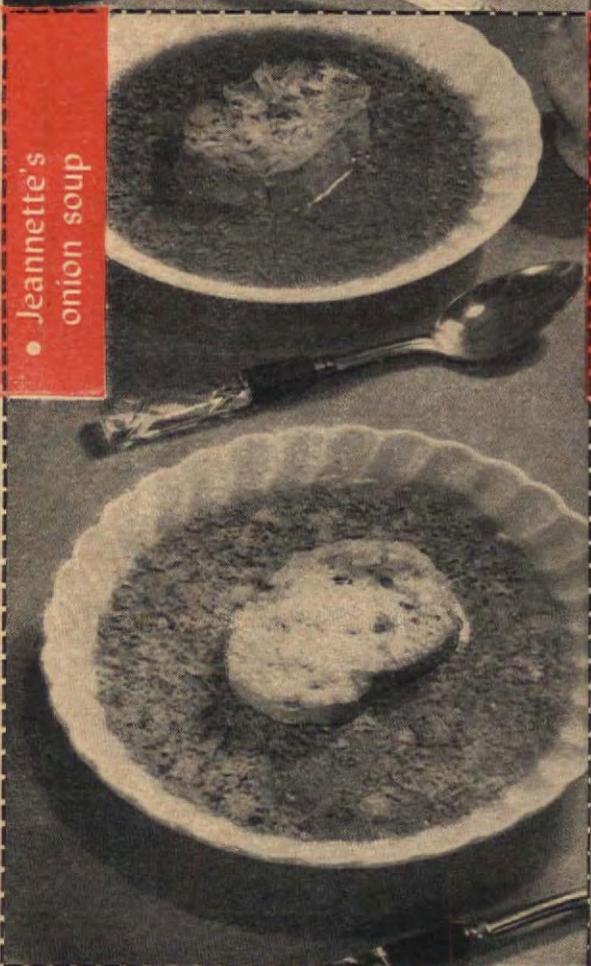
My husband is a medical student. As we see it, "creeping inflation" doesn't creep. It gallops! But we live in a slum clearance project and can learn from thrifty neighbors. Three blocks away, a community garden lies parallel to the railroad tracks. Any family willing to plant, weed, and hoe is welcome to a sizable plot. We all farm—in town!

The expert gardeners next door recall that meat was never plentiful in the old country. When you're poor, imagination is your check-book. Planning cosmopolitan dinners around "old country" gardenwise recipes, we find it's fun to try Danish Red Cabbage or a spicy vegetable curry from India. In our community, when home-grown vegetables make dollar bills s-t-r-e-t-c-h, we're reaping a double harvest—food for ourselves, pennies for our pocketbooks.

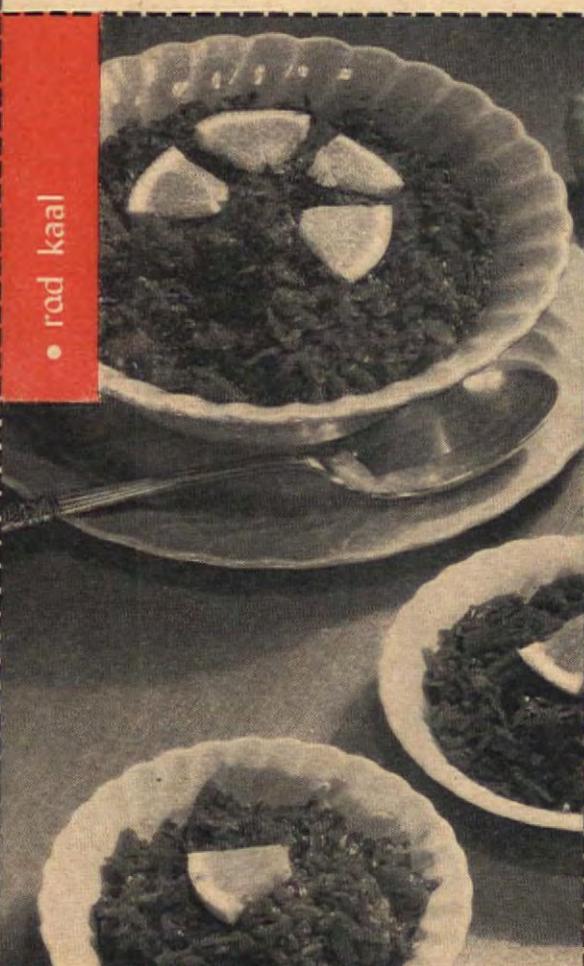
Some of these recipes have very interesting personal histories. The Meatless Buffath came from India. It is a standard formula in that country for a vegetable dish, tasty and as filling as though it were made with meat or meat stock. The combination of spices does that pleasing trick, and rice gives that pleasant appearance of generous plenty demanded of a main dish.

Rodkaal is a colorful dish, very popular at Christmas time. The recipe comes from my husband's grandmother, who was born in Denmark. Any type of garnish can be used, but the slice of

• Jeannette's onion soup



• rod kaal



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orange accents well, in its cold sweetness, the hot, tangy sweetness of the sauce. Or try grated rind.

Madame Alessandri, who teaches French at the University of Oklahoma, used to enchant me with her digressions on the everyday life of the French people. She often talked about the French cuisine and described the Parisian cooking schools and wonderful open-air markets. Madame, who lived in France for many years—and married a Corsican—is a culinary artist herself. She's famous for her French Onion Soup. When I told her I was planning this article, she contributed her excellent recipe. (Incidentally, the soup's rich aroma fills the house this very minute!) When Madame finished writing the directions, she added, "A good cook can tell more by tasting than by any recipe going!"

This soup has certain definite rules for proper service. If any of them are broken, no great damage would result, but, when they all are followed, this soup reaches the table in a state of perfection.

Thanks to Grandmother

- Carrot and Celery Sticks
- Spareribs of Pork
- Rodkaal Currant Jelly
- Rice Pudding
- Coffee

Hot with Curry

- Scotch Broth (canned)
- Meatless Buffath
- Pickled Crabapples Pickled Beets and Onions
- Mince-meat Tarts
- Coffee

• rod kaal

Preparation time: 30 min.

- 1 medium head red cabbage
- 1/2 cup sweet pickle or cider vinegar
- 2 tbs. bacon fat

REMOVE the outer leaves and inner stalks and finely shred the cabbage. Cook in a small amount of boiling salted water until tender. Then add the vinegar, bacon fat, salt and sugar, and cook a few minutes longer. Serve hot and garnish with orange slices.

Serves 4-6 100 cal. per serving Source of vitamins A, C

Recipe submitted by Jane Orchard Dishes, Carousel Pattern, Royal China Inc.

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• Jeannette's onion soup

Preparation time: 3 1/2 hrs.

- 1 1/2-2 lbs. fairly lean beef
- 3 qts. cold water
- 3 garlic cloves, peeled
- 1/2 bay leaf
- Pinch of thyme
- 1/2 cup chopped celery leaves
- 3 tbs. sugar
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 1 tbs. butter and 2 tbs. salad oil
- 3-4 large onions, finely chopped

CUT lean beef into 2-inch pieces. Place 2/3 of the meat in a big kettle; add 3 quarts of cold water. Bring slowly to a low boil. Meanwhile brown the remaining cubes of meat in a little suet or fat. Add browned meat to the kettle and simmer for two hours. Then add garlic cloves, bay leaf, thyme, celery leaves, and salt and pepper to taste. Place sugar in small heavy pan and cook, stirring constantly over moderate heat until sugar is melted and brown (be careful not to burn). Gradually add 1/2 cup boiling water, stirring constantly. Cook and continue to stir for 2 minutes. Add to soup stock and simmer one hour longer. Strain soup and save meat to use in hash or stuffed peppers. Place butter and salad oil in a deep skillet, add chopped onion and cook slowly until a golden brown. Then add to the hot stock and cook a few minutes longer. Place thick slice of hard French bread in individual soup bowls. Sprinkle the bread with grated cheese. Pour soup over. Pass extra grated cheese.

Serves 4-6 Source of vitamins A, B complex

Recipe submitted by Jane Orchard

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• meatless buffath

Preparation time: 35 min.

- 2 tbs. fat
- 2 medium onions, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, peeled
- Small piece ginger root
- 1 cup diced potatoes
- 1 cup diced carrots
- 1 cup cut string beans
- 2 tsp. lemon juice

MELT fat, add onions, garlic and ginger root and cook until onions are tender. Add potatoes, carrots and string beans, lemon juice, salt, 1/2 stick cinnamon, half of the cloves, allspice and curry powder and the 1 1/2 cups of water. Cover and cook until vegetables are almost tender. Add peas and cook until tender. Melt the butter and add the remaining half of the spices. Pour over cooked rice and mix well, using a fork. Place rice on a large plate and shape into a ring. Pour vegetable mixture in the center and serve while hot.

Serves 6 228 cal. per serving Source of vitamins A, B complex

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A Professor's Favorite

- Jeannette's Onion Soup
- Buttered Lima Beans Parsley Potatoes
- Cabbage Slaw with Sour Cream
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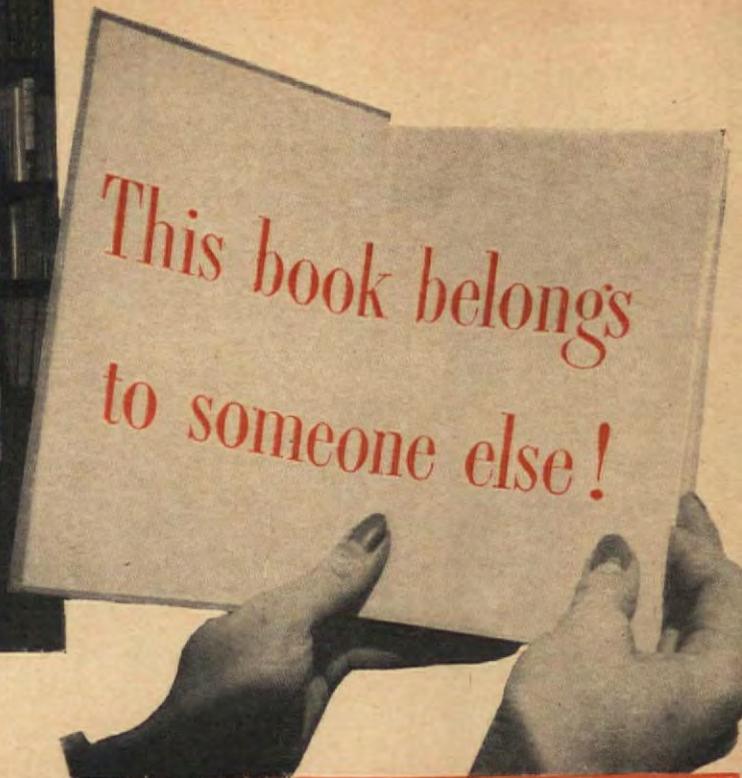
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Neither a borrower nor a lender be," is still a good rule for these days, according to Alison, who was something of a borrower herself before she turned over a new leaf. One fine day, she returned all the objects that had been loaned to her over a period of years, and felt more than repaid for her efforts by the gratitude of the lenders, with whom relations had become somewhat strained. Also, at the same time, she managed to get back from them some of her own cherished objects. Nowadays, Alison is a reformed character and borrows as seldom as possible. "When I do borrow, I always make prompt returns," she says. "It's one way to stay on good terms with friends and neighbors—and to have a clear conscience."

If you, like Alison, have been borrowing wholesale for years, you too have amassed a fine collection of borrowed articles—all highly valued by someone else. Naturally, you've meant to return each and every one of them, but somehow you just haven't been able to get around to doing it. Perhaps by now, some of these articles have found their way into closets and bureau drawers, and you've almost forgotten that they don't actually belong to you. That tablecloth borrowed six months ago for a very special luncheon lies buried in the linen chest; the small screw driver loaned by a neighbor has become an indispensable part of the



Look! Just look! A hoard of prized possessions—and not one belongs to them! Grimly they face fact that such articles as books, ladders, and egg-beaters are still cherished by rightful owners, virtuously resolve to make restitution

Into the car go all the borrowed items, down to the last small book, and finally they're ready to start



Swamped by "borrowings" of years, they immediately set out to

return those "loans"



At their very first stop, they are greeted joyfully by the lady of the house, who knows at a glance the reason for the visit

Tea and cakes, gratefully served by the hostess, help to renew old, slightly strained friendship. Well-fed guests vow they've reformed, will never borrow again. At least not soon!



tool box; a relative's pet picnic basket has been in the hall closet since midsummer. And then there are the borrowed books, always the most unreturnable of objects. Two, or four, or possibly even twenty volumes are gathering dust on the library shelves at this very moment.

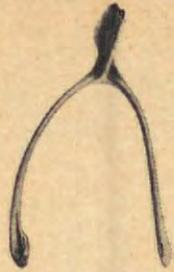
When next you clean house, weed out all those things that belong to others, pack them in the car, and return them to the rightful owners. You can depend on it, they will be pleased! And you may be surprised to find they *knew* who had their favorite classic, clothesline, or garden rake.

Once your home is free and clear of other people's property, make an effort to keep it that way. Don't borrow unless it's absolutely necessary, and if you do, see that each item is returned promptly. A handy list kept somewhere in your desk will enable you to keep track of what you owe, down to the last teaspoon of sugar and pat of butter. Now's the time to check irresponsible borrowing habits—because, after all, you're not the "borrowing kind."

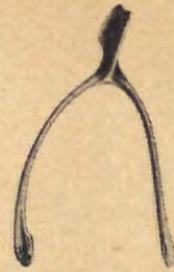


MORAL: Prompt returns win thanks of friends, sometimes merit halos, too

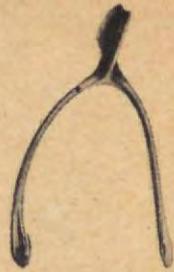
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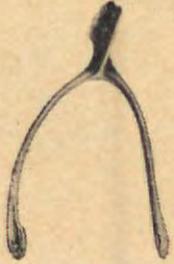
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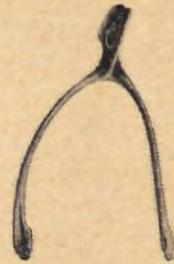
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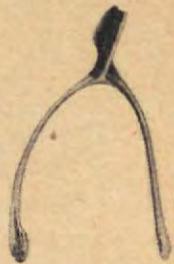
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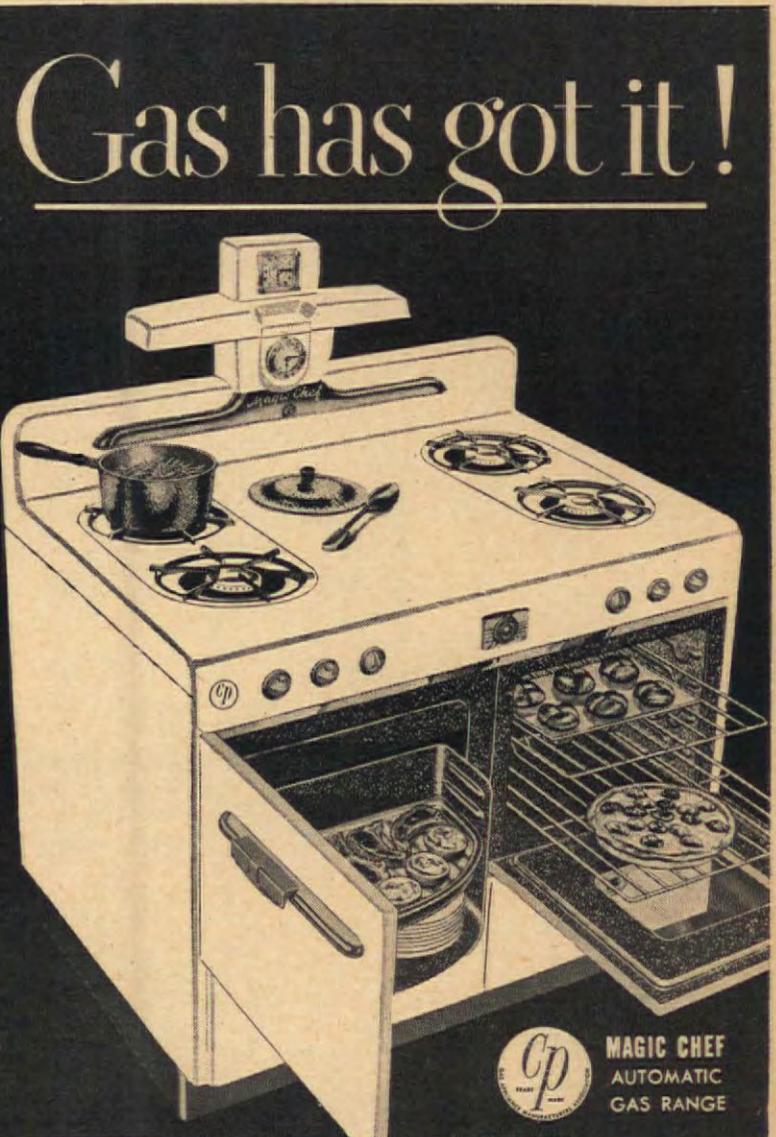
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Time was, when a young woman was not considered well "brought up" unless she knew how to mend and darn beautifully. A well-mended tear had countless tiny, even, straight stitches—an achievement which took years to acquire. Young husbands of today often mourn this lost art as they limp to work with a lumpy darned sock. This is nothing against the brides of today, just evidence that our young women are out earning their own living at an early age with no time to perfect some of the old-fashioned wifely attributes.

But, as with so many other household duties, the machine age solves the mending and patching problem. Darning is really weaving on a small scale and is the most logical way of replacing threads. One of the best and easiest ways to do this is on your sewing machine. Some sewing machine companies make darning and mending attachments which further simplify the procedure. Patching can also be done most satisfactorily on the sewing machine. We will give you directions for doing all three on a machine, and, after the first or second try, your clothing repairs will be the envy of expert Grandma.

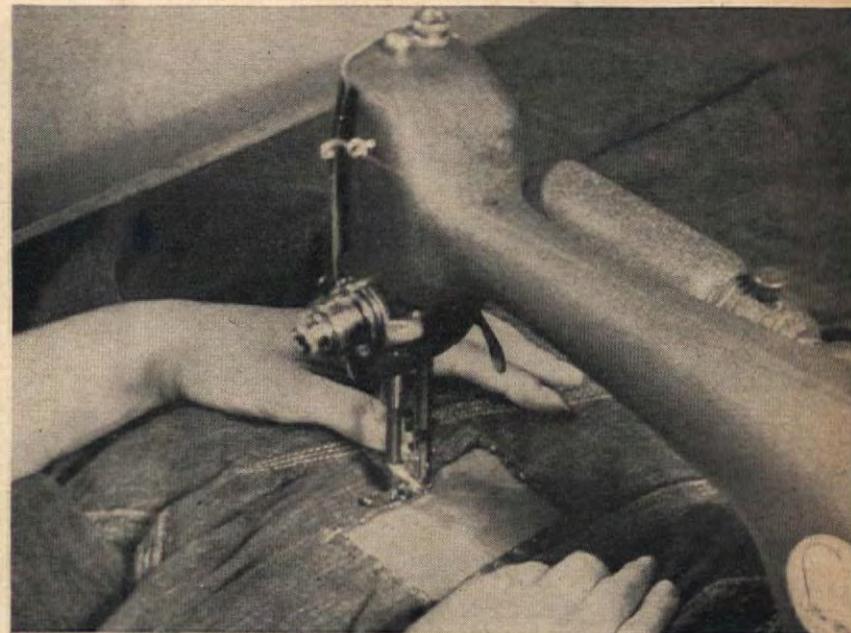
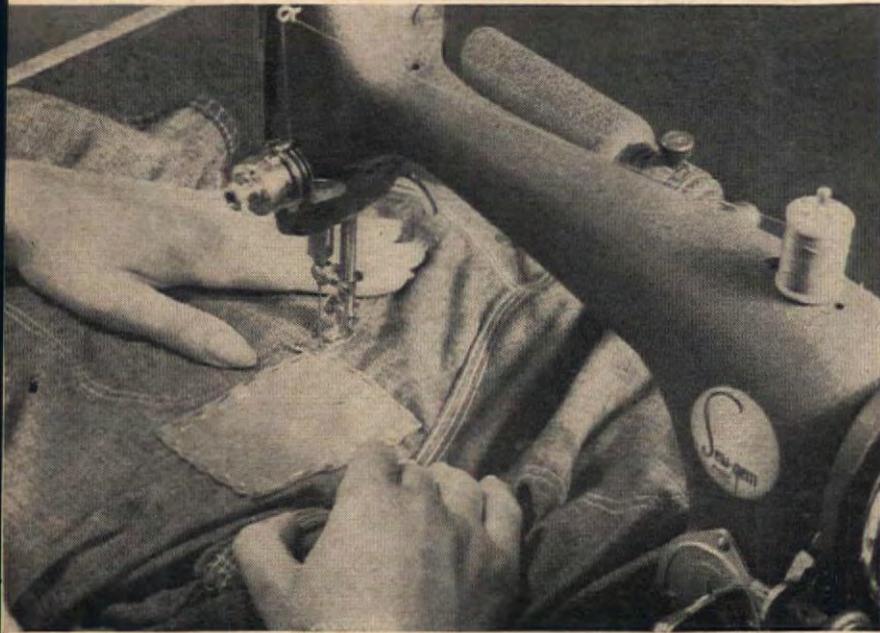
First, let's start with darning. Best results are obtained if a darning foot is used to prevent the work from rising with the needle, as the regular presser foot is usually removed. Always lower the presser bar so there will be adequate tension on the upper thread. The sewing machine feed must be dropped or covered. In darning a stocking, first run a line of stitching around the hole, then trim away the ragged or rough edges of the hole. This keeps the darn smooth. Starting at the stitch-outlined edge, weave in the darning stitch, making each row meet the upper and lower chain of the stocking as closely as possible. The thread used should match the threads of the fabric. In mending woolen garments, the procedure is the same, only eliminate the stitching line around the tear to make the tear practically invisible. Because the presser foot does not rest on the material, you can guide it with your hands to make the stitches fall exactly where you wish. In darning a straight tear, weave stitches across tear, taking about five small stitches on each side and beyond both ends. For a three-cornered tear, first weave the stitches in line with the crosswise threads for vertical

ELIZABETH FULLER

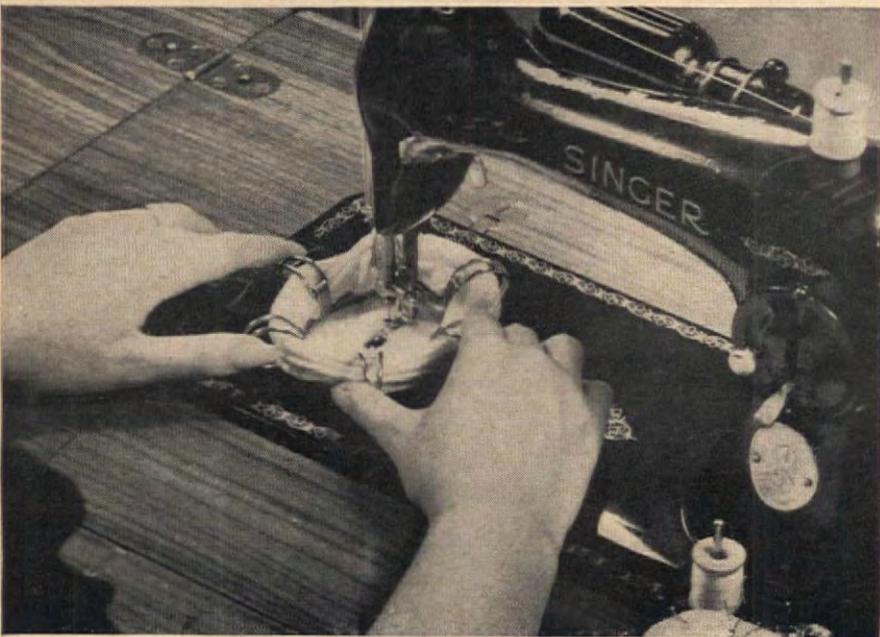
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1. Hemmed patch for washable garments. Trim uneven edges of the hole to make a square or rectangle. Cut patch large enough to match design and weave of garment. Place under hole. Turn under raw edge of patch, baste to garment. Stitch patch $\frac{1}{2}$ " from edge. Remove bastings

2. Turn garment to right side. Clip corners diagonally, $\frac{1}{4}$ " from edge. Turn under the edges of hole, stitch as close to edge as possible



way WE MEND *our clothes...*



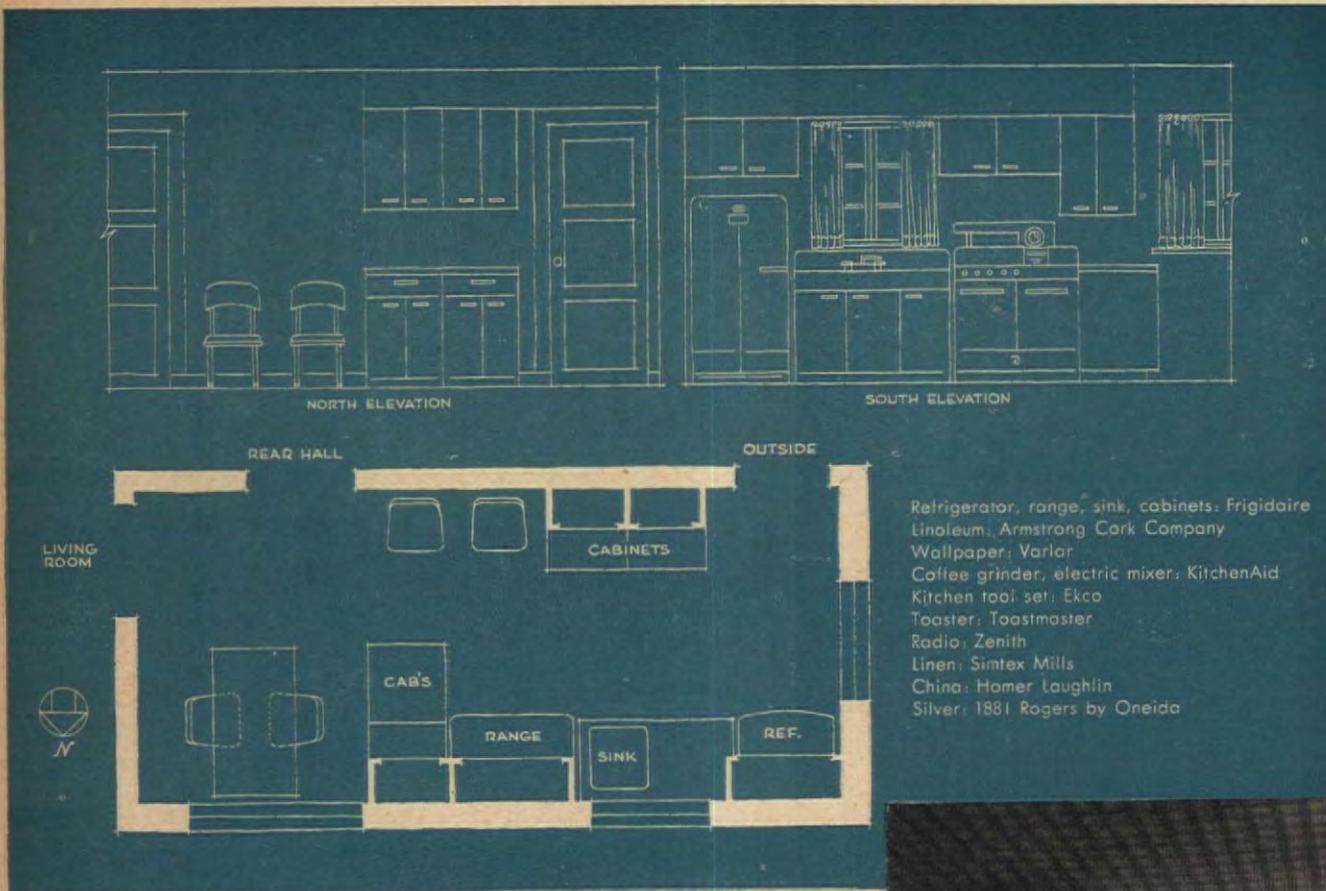
tear, and with the lengthwise threads for the horizontal tear. Cross threads at the corner for added strength. When the tear is diagonal, weave the threads first crosswise, then lengthwise. Keep the stitches parallel with the fabric grain. The pictures illustrate two methods of patching. We used a patch of different fabric than the garment so it would be more clearly visible, but it's best to use a matching patch. There are times when it is desirable to conceal the edges of a patch with darning. In this case, if matching fabric and thread are used, no matter how large the hole, it will be difficult to see the patch. Baste edges of the hole over matching, larger patch. Then on the sewing machine, weave edges of hole over patch. Take five or six small stitches on each side. Darn all four sides and reinforce the corners by crossing corner stitches. Catch-stitch patch edges on underside.

3. This stocking darning keeps the hole to be mended taut and the rest of the stocking or sock out of the way. It will help you to produce a professional looking darn. There is a larger darning, which is also flatter than stocking darning for darning holes in linens or clothing

4. A simple mending job can be done with gummed fabric mending tape and a hot iron. Trim loose threads of the tear, cut tape to extend $\frac{1}{2}$ " over edges of tear and press (7 seconds) tape on with a hot iron

This month's AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS

EDITH RAMSAY



Refrigerator, range, sink, cabinets: Frigidaire
 Linoleum, Armstrong Cork Company
 Wallpaper: Varlar
 Coffee grinder, electric mixer: KitchenAid
 Kitchen tool set: Ekco
 Toaster: Toastmaster
 Radio: Zenith
 Linen: Simtex Mills
 China: Homer Laughlin
 Silver: 1881 Rogers by Oneida

Richard Garrison

We have a kitchen we are very anxious to show you. It is a rectangular room, approximately 18' x 8'. The floor and counters are of black linoleum, and it is completely wallpapered with Varlar "Gingham," the new washable paper, which makes the room very gay and light (the soft pink does nice things to a woman's complexion).

Perhaps you are thinking "too much pink," but the gleaming white of all the new equipment counteracts any such feeling.

The equipment—Frigidaire range, refrigerator and sink—takes up just 11 feet of one wall. Here is everything without moving more than a few steps. At the end of the line of equipment is a four-foot peninsula; two cabinets that open into the dining area and are perfect for linens, cutlery, flower vases, and dishes. Over the entire line of equipment, except above the sink, are wall cabinets that hold everything.

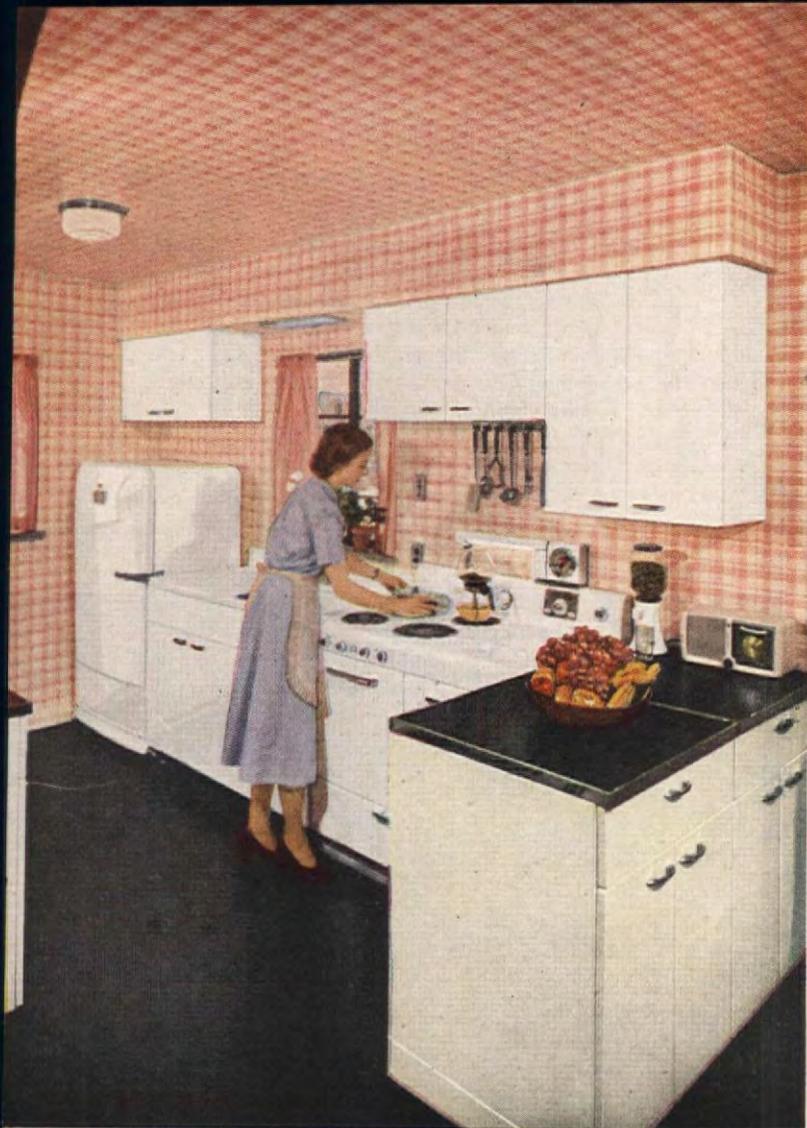
The dining area, a definite part of the kitchen, is separated only by the peninsula, on which the electric coffee grinder and radio are kept handy yet out of the way. No wall to divide these rooms means there is more light, freer circulation of air and a feeling of spaciousness that would be impossible if the division had been complete.

On the opposite inside wall are two 24-inch base cabinets with wall cabinets above. Here is the perfect spot for the electric mixer. Ample wall space is left for temporary extras—the baby's high chair, a tea cart, or the multi-purpose stool and stepladder that is so often needed.

This kitchen, built by Swango & Sons in Dayton, Ohio, we feel is indicative of what can be done with the kitchen problem in those thousands of small homes now springing up all over the country.



1. A budgetwise kitchen, both in space and money, does not economize where convenience, style, and color are concerned.



Easy Recipe

Confetti Tarts

Fruit cocktail and Jell-O pudding in cookie shells

- 1 1/4 cups canned fruit cocktail
- 1 cup fine gingersnap crumbs
- 1/3 cup melted butter or margarine
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 package Jell-O® vanilla pudding

Chill fruit cocktail. Blend crumbs and butter together. Press mixture into bottom and sides of 5 fluted paper baking cups placed in muffin pans or custard cups. Blend milk slowly into pudding mix, stir until smooth. Cook and stir over moderate heat until boiling point is reached. Cool slightly. Fill tart shells with warm pudding. Chill thoroughly. Top with drained fruit cocktail. Serves 5. *Jell-O is a registered trade mark of General Foods Corp.

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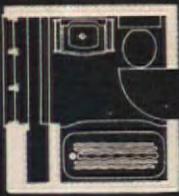


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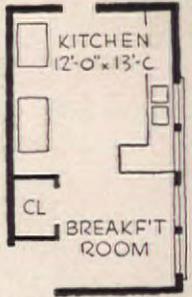
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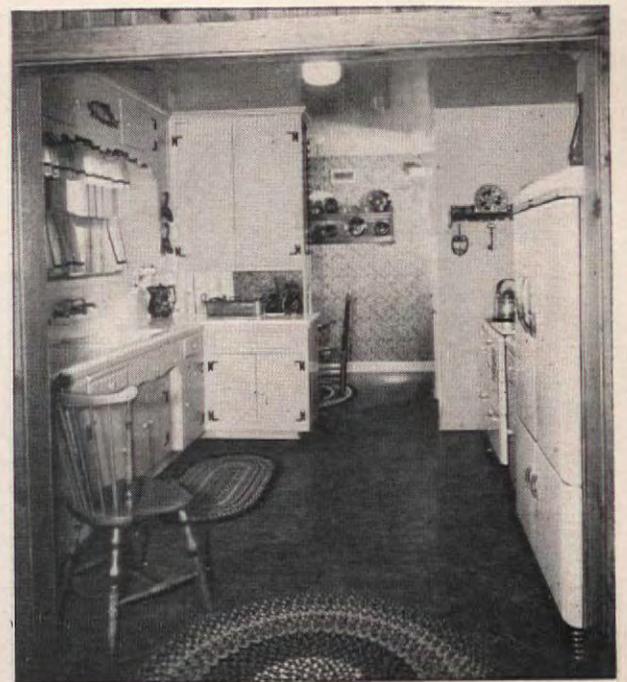


2. *The Chandlers' Early American kitchen*

Modern gas and electric appliances blend with the Early American charm of this room. Mustard-yellow walls and ceiling are a perfect foil for the gaily colored Welsh ware and gleaming copper pans. The connecting breakfast room has one wall papered in a floral pattern, antiqued with glazing fluid. Curtains of yellow, with red peasant braid outlining the hems, are used in the kitchen and breakfast room. This wood-paneled dining room adjoins the kitchen. Complete home on page 38.



Hence Griffith

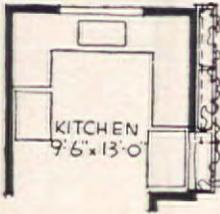




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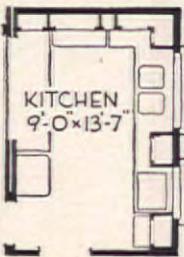
3. *The Revere Quality kitchen*

Horizontal windows in the Revere Quality kitchen are just right when mother is working at the sink or range—she has a full view of the children in the enclosed play yard. The window line is carried around the room by the fir plyboard cabinets that are waxed for beauty and ease of maintenance. Gay yellow Consoweld plastic counters and back-splash are wonderful for working, add interesting color to this Texas kitchen. Complete home, page 44.

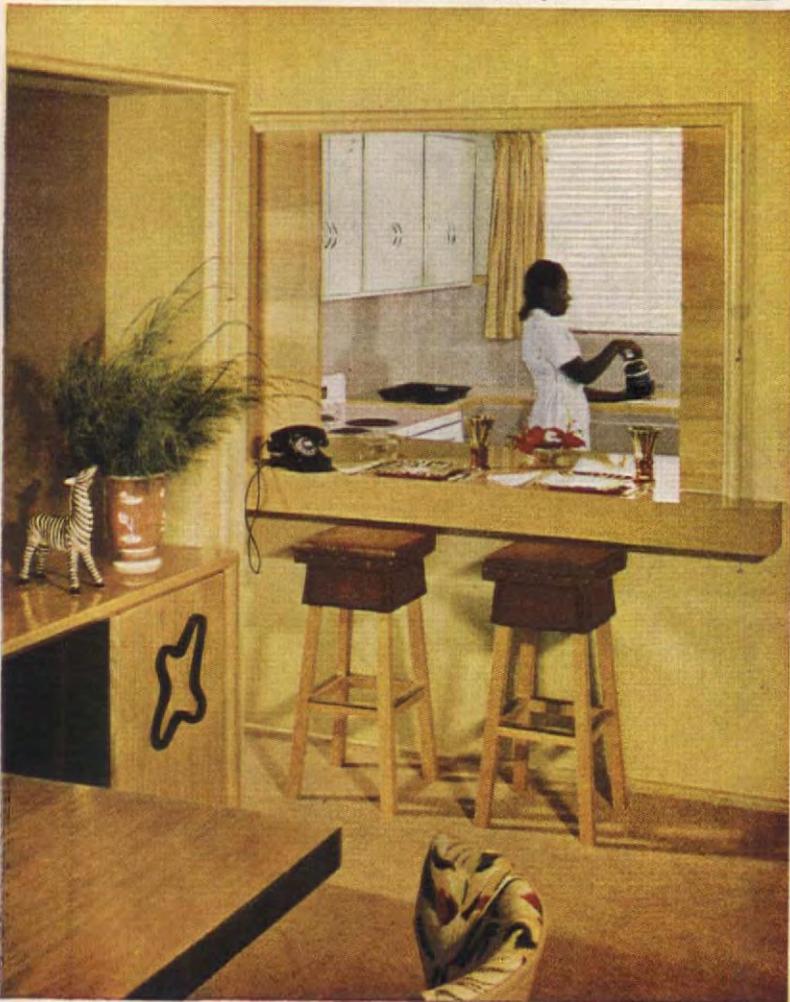


4. *The Moores' kitchen*

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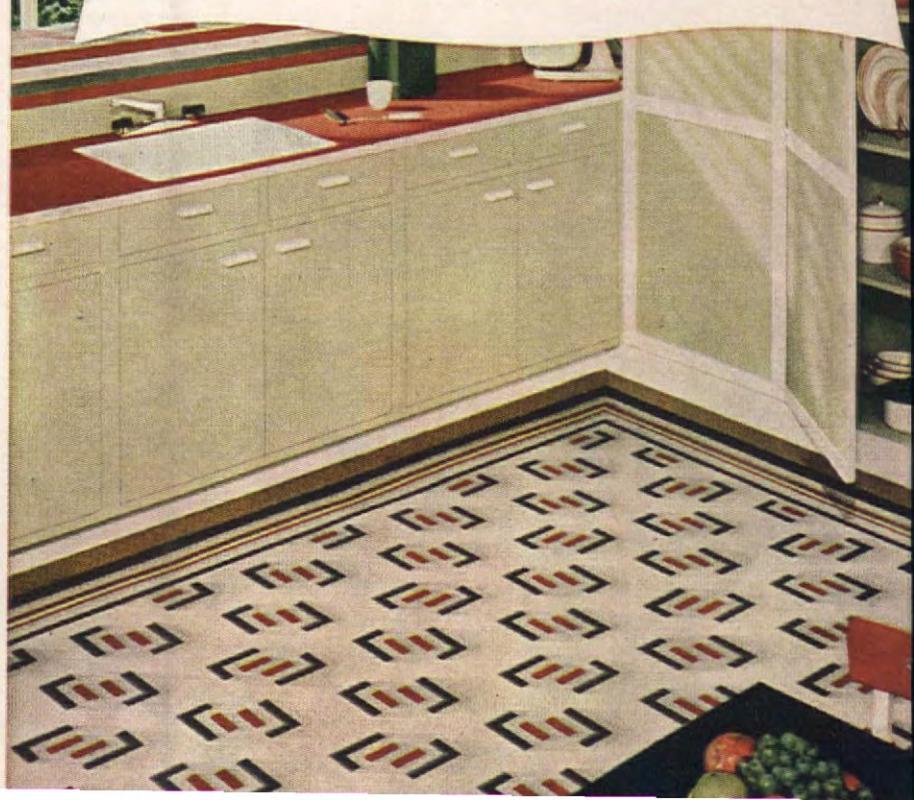
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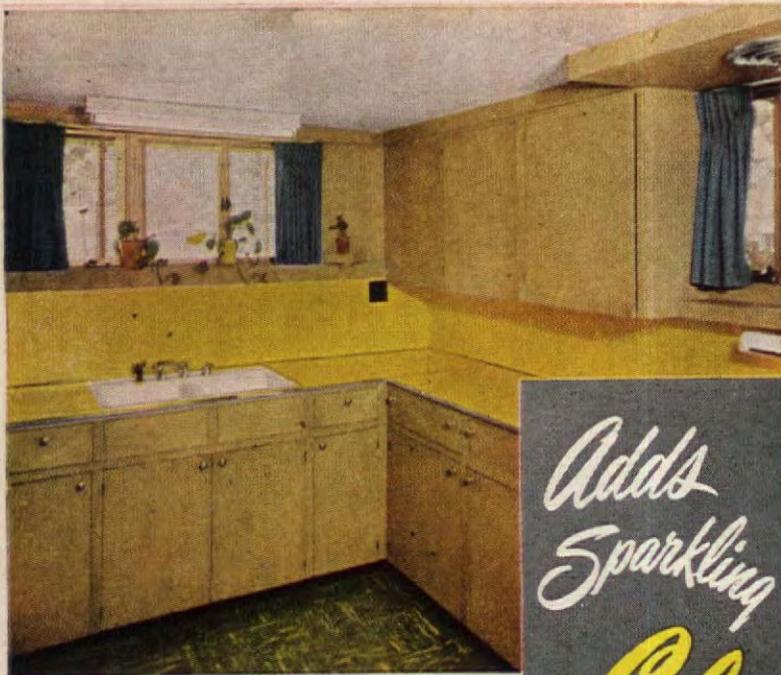
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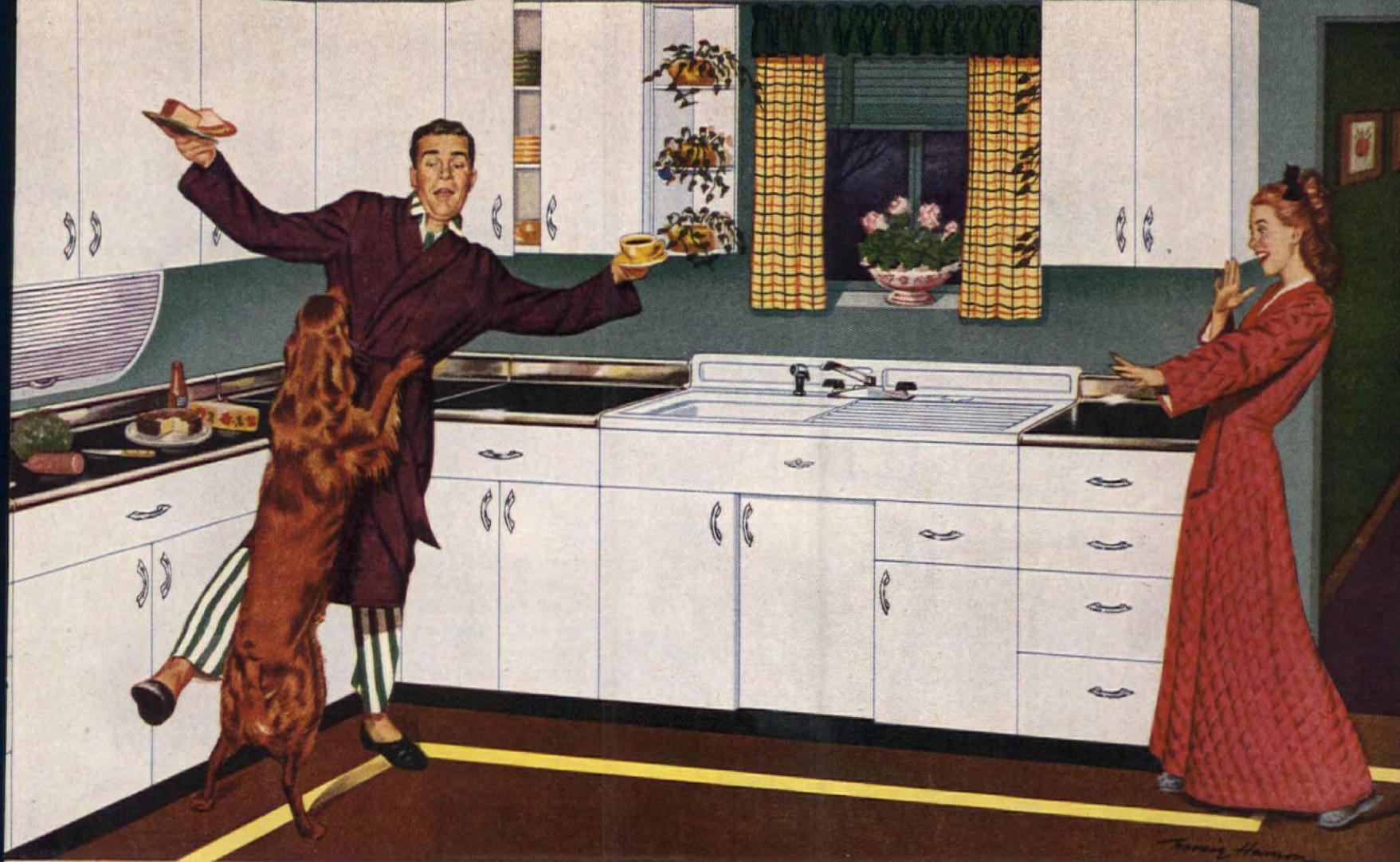
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Rosemaling is not listed in the dictionary. We know that, literally, it means, "rose painting," but in fact represents a characteristic type of Norwegian freehand painting. The scroll, floral, and star patterns are the fundamentals of design used in rosemaling. Their lines and shapes are exaggerated or stylized into graceful curves and forms to make complete design units. Typical colors used are bright off-shade hues of red, blue and green, usually high-lighted with yellow and white.

The history of rosemaling is rich, lengthy, and partly obscured by legend, but it was during the 19th century in inland Norway, that rosemaling developed its most distinguished features and reached its highest peak.

One of the most intricate examples of rosemaling in days of yore, was the "Mangletre," or ironing board, which a young man would make to present to his fiancée before their marriage. When daily chores were done, the youth would spend long evenings before an open fireplace, working on his gift. Most young men of that day learned the art from their parents and decorated articles of furniture to be used later in their own homes. Bowls, trays, furniture, and walls were all graced with rosemaling.

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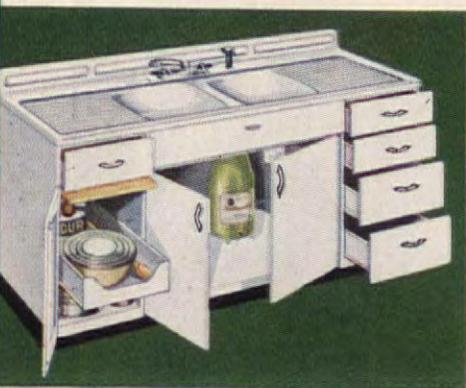
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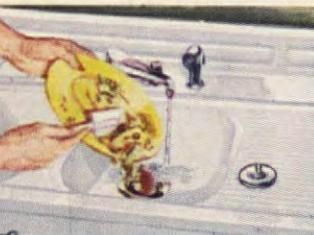
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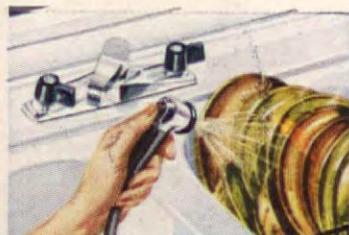
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Adolescence, when the child starts down the home-stretch to adulthood, is a time of new-found size and strength, of growing independence, of first dates and expanding social relationships. During the years from twelve to twenty, a child must not only complete his physical growth and development, but he must learn to grow up mentally, emotionally, and socially. In order to become a mature, well-balanced, happy adult, he must pass through these crucial years and acquire independence, good judgment, self-control, and integration with the people and the community about him.

Parents should understand that preparation for adulthood should not be put off until the child passes into his teens. This preparation for

life begins properly in the early years, and guidance for the adolescent is most effective when it continues as part of a pattern of good education and understanding begun by parents soon after birth. The adolescent period is not separate and distinct from the childhood which precedes it and the adulthood which follows. It flows naturally and rhythmically from the earlier years into mature adult life. The smoothness of transition from one stage to another depends in large measure on how expertly parents have laid the groundwork for it in the early years.

Ordinarily, puberty begins at eleven or twelve years of age for girls, and a year or two later for boys. As in all biologic phenomena, there are many variations in the time of onset and com-

pletion of puberty. Some girls may begin to show the typical changes as early as eight or nine years. With others, changes may not begin until fourteen or fifteen years. Boys, too, show these same wide variations. Since, on the average, girls mature earlier than boys, there is a period of time when the twelve- or thirteen-year-old girl may be taller and heavier than a boy of corresponding age whose adolescence has not begun.

After the gradual growth in size of the "middle-age" years, there is a sudden burst of growth, with a rapid increase in height and weight. This is accompanied by the development of the secondary sex characteristics—voice changes, new growths of hair, the taking on by the body of the configuration of adult mascu-



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lity or femininity. Until later adolescence, when a sense of control, poise, and balance is developed, teenagers are apt to handle their bodies in a clumsy fashion. Their posture is often quite sloppy; they bump around and handle things in a most ungraceful fashion. This is due not nearly so much to their following the teen-age fashions of the moment as it is to the dictates of their muscles and glands.

This is a period when great psychologic changes are inevitable, because the child is torn between his dependence on his family and making the most of his new size and strength. His parents are apt to be at a loss to understand why the placid, obedient child of yesteryear now resents any kind of supervision. They realize that the child is not yet able to make mature judgments, and they still want to help him do most of his planning and much of his thinking. Unwise guidance at this time will lead to many avoidable conflicts. The adolescent is trying to break away from his previous complete dependence on his parents and his family. This is not only inevitable, but it is essential if the child is to become an independent, mature, and responsible adult. He cannot learn to develop good judgment unless he is allowed to arrive at his own decisions—even though sometimes they may appear to be wrong by adult standards.

Teen-agers are restless and insecure, while at the same time they may unconsciously desire stability and the security they have hitherto been able to get from parents. They will waver between showing much affection to the family and suddenly demonstrating a deep aversion to it when a parent intercedes with what he considers sound, sober advice. Basically, the child wants to handle his own life in his own way as he begins aspiring to independent adulthood.

Parents who have failed to prepare themselves and their offspring for this period of relative instability are apt to discover their household precipitated into a state of unhappy turmoil and themselves caught in a siege of continuing defiance. The child, seething now with boundless, unharnessed energies, will resent many of a parent's efforts to control them.

Education for life necessarily includes intelligent teaching in many matters pertaining to sexual development. Too many children still find themselves passing through the pre-adult stage with inadequate or incorrect ideas on sex. Much of their information—and usually it's misinformation—is garnered from playmates, whose own fantasies are vocalized as the last word on the subject. Such misinformation confuses the adolescent, worries or frightens him, and interferes with intellectual and social development.

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Before bodily changes occur, the explanations for these expected phenomena should be given by father to son and mother to daughter. Many an adolescent heartache or fear can be prevented by a few minutes of parental clarification. If parents are embarrassed about discussing these matters, the family physician can help them over this hurdle.

The blotchy skins and frequent pimples which plague so many youngsters are sometimes a source of worry and embarrassment to them. It may help to point out that skin blemishes are common at this time and that, with a moderate amount of care, they will clear up in time. In those cases which do not respond to elimination of sweets, a well-balanced diet, and good personal hygiene, the advice of a dermatologist should be sought. This is important, since the more severe cases may result in scarring and permanent disfigurement.

One way in which the adolescent can be helped to reach responsible maturity is by providing specific tasks for him to do and paying him for them at a reasonable rate. The disposition of the money gained should be left entirely to the child, for only through experience can he learn the value of money. The child who has no spending money, or the one whose parents decide how his money is to be spent, can hardly be well-prepared to do any later economic planning on his own, either when he supports himself or a family. Here again, the learning is easier if the granting of a small allowance was begun during the "middle-age" years (around six or seven).

As he grows older, the teen-ager tends more and more to go outside his family for leisure-time activities and fellowship. If parents needle him because they fail to recognize that he needs to break the apron strings tying him to the home, it probably will result in open or hidden hostility.

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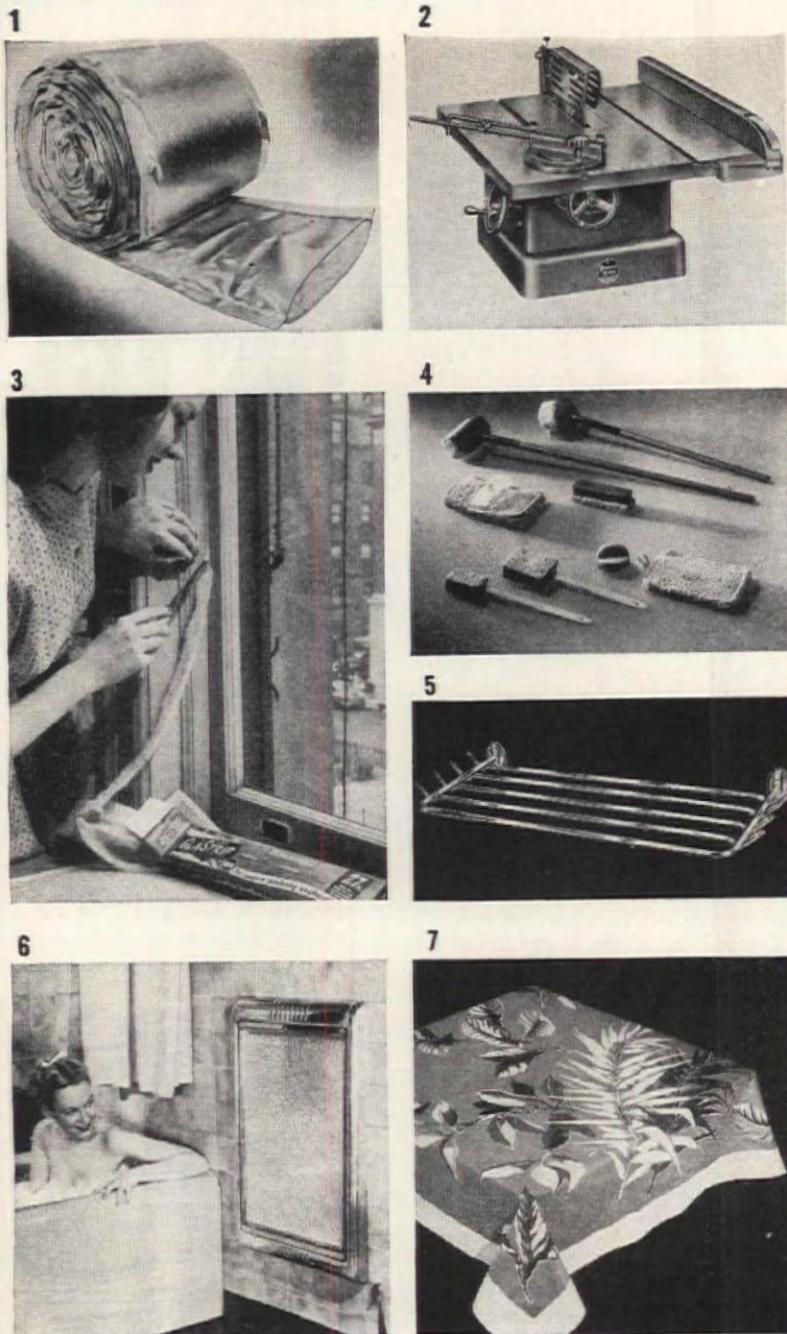
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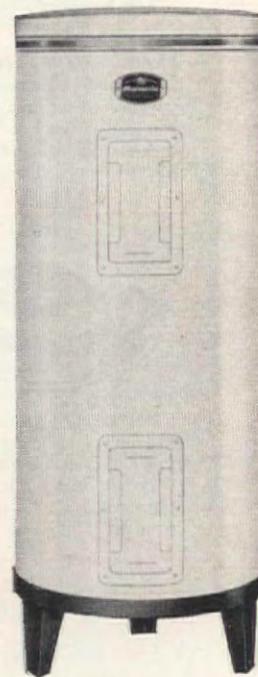
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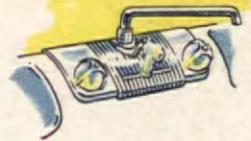
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