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I looked around that bedroom. We'd bought that old furniture before Bruce and Virginia were born.

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I did the flowers on the walls and the chests. Decorators call it "découpage," but it's just cut-outs from old wallpaper and picture books, pasted on and varnished.

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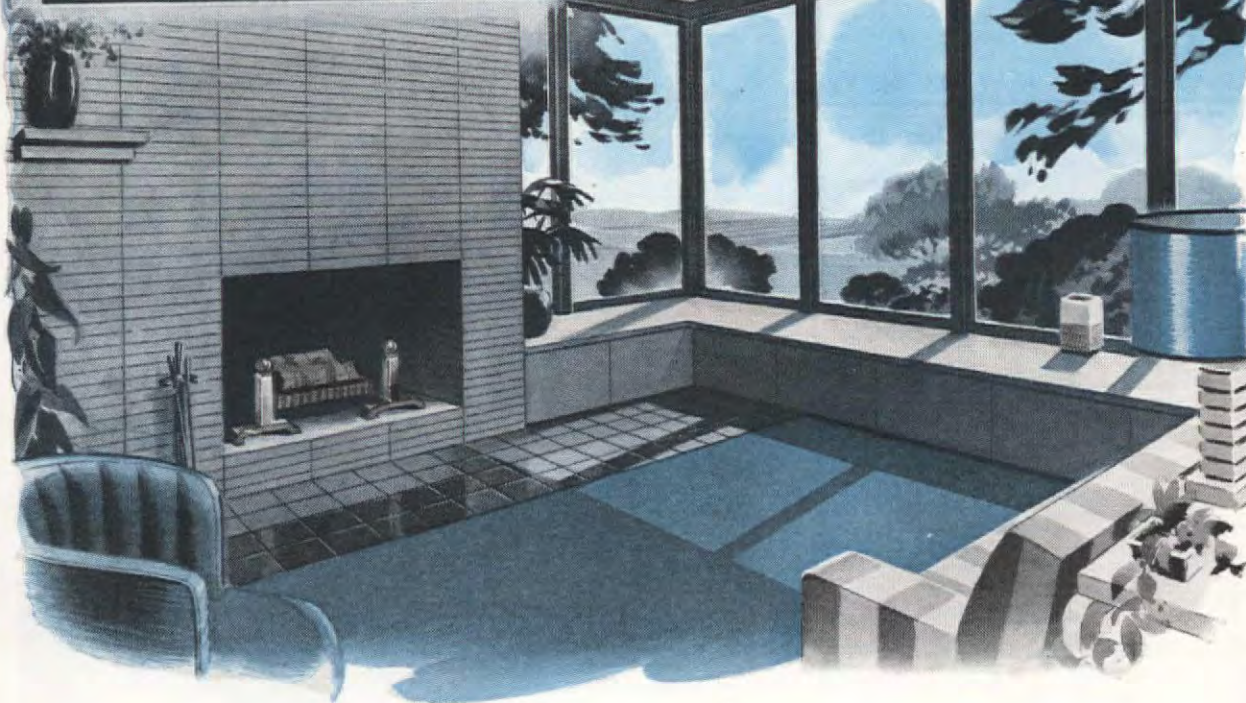
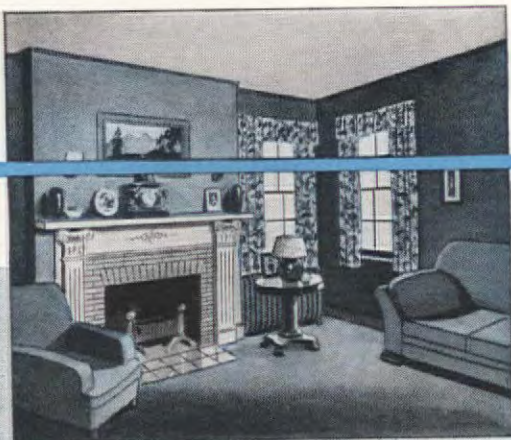
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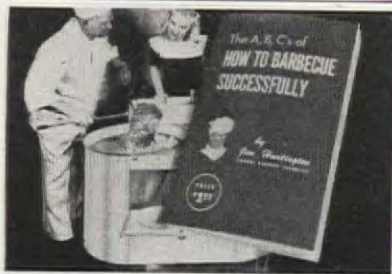
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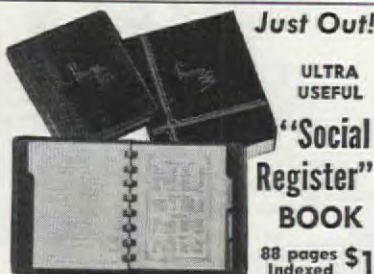
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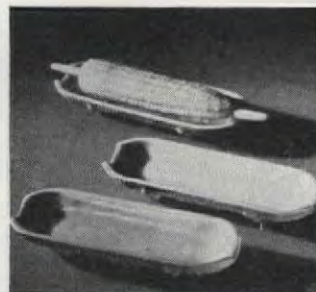
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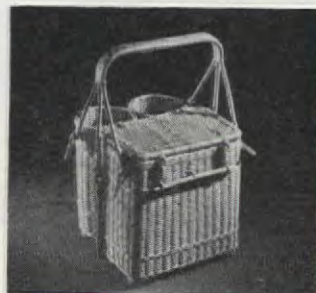
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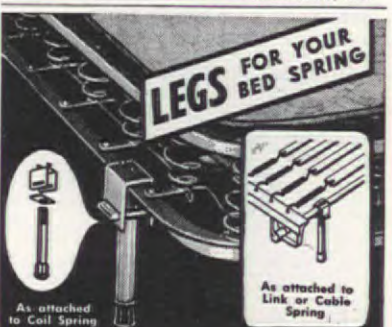
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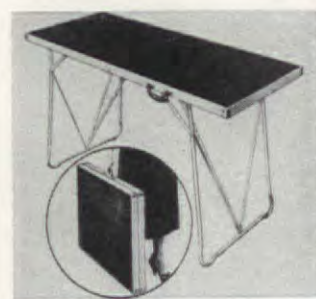
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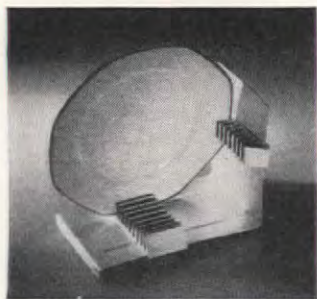
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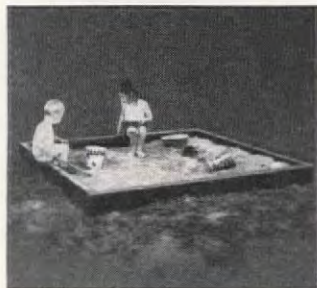
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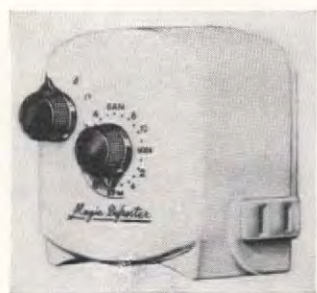
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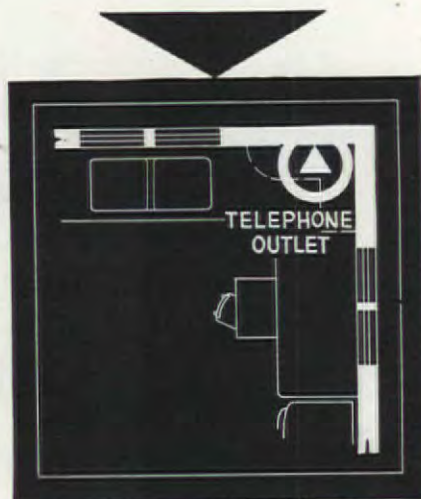
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... **MR. and MRS. RICHARD S. BUCK, JR.**, have varied artistic and technical talents, but, like most happily married couples, manage to get together on projects of mutual interest. The garden setting described in "How to Plan before You Plant" (page 28) is a case in point. Of herself, Mrs. Buck has this to say: "I have three great loves—the typewriter, the stage, and the garden. It's easy enough to combine numbers one and two, as I did the summer I played in Paul Green's *The Common Glory* and wrote a play between rehearsals. But that year the garden was a wreck. I shall be happy when I learn to ride all three hobbyhorses at once." As for Mr. Buck, he is an architect, currently engaged in designing hospitals for veterans. During the war, when he was with the Navy, he worked on tests for artificial harbors that made the Normandy invasion possible. "My husband has his lighter moments," Mrs. Buck reveals. "Occasionally he takes time out from his work on technical books to illustrate articles I write."



... **DE DE JOHNSON**, whose California home is described in "... And the Living Is Easy" (page 30), is a dynamo in the fashion world, with a long line of "firsts" to her credit. She is the lady who launched the popular "pedal pusher," who helped bring the jumper dress back into vogue. Her home, like her fashions, is designed for casual living, and here she and her husband, Harold Kronthal, follow their favorite pursuits—gardening, television, entertaining. Her one weakness, we find, is hats!



... **EDA JOHNSTONE**, who writes so engagingly of the travails and satisfactions of gardening in "Pick-and-Shovel Patio" (page 82), was once connected with the Los Angeles school system, began writing after a sudden illness some time ago. Her warm, human articles have been appearing with regularity ever since. "I have always had an interest in the out-of-the-way and unusual," she writes, "and I like making records with camera and notebook. This helps when I settle down to work."





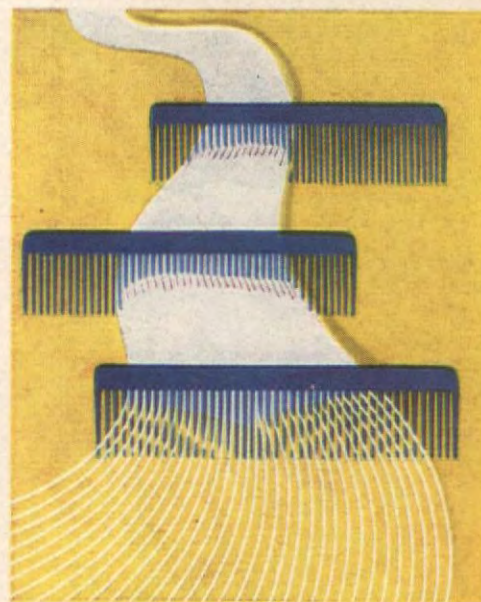
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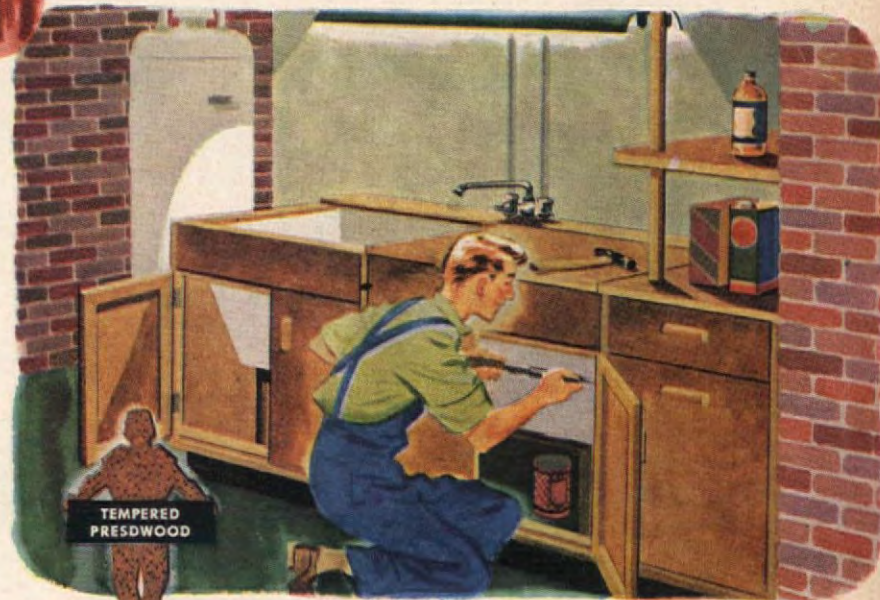
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## Neighbors (Begins on page 12)



Mothers go to school with tots one day each week, help out paid teachers. While youngsters find outlets for imagination, mothers learn new wrinkles in child care

mothers. The project owes its success not to a big cash investment, but to imagination, determination, and hard work on the part of parents.

It all started when one San Francisco mother, Mrs. Frances Breger, went scouting for a nursery school for her young preschooler. Yes, there were welfare centers for children of working mothers and expensive day nurseries for those of ample means. But for middle-income-bracket children, nothing!

Mrs. Breger so desperately wanted her child to enjoy the advantages of nursery school that she determined to round up other interested parents and start one. "The call went out through a San Francisco newspaper," she recounts, "and soon the phone began ringing with responses from enthusiastic mothers and fathers. We got together, made plans to open the school within a month."

The decision made, parents rolled up their sleeves and went to work. A building was rented, and contracts let out for necessary plumbing and carpentry. Fathers pitched in to do heavy cleaning, to paint walls and floors, to erect playground equipment. Strict board of health rules and city zoning ordinances were met, and finally the school opened on schedule—February 15, 1942.

Small fees from parents pay entire costs of the school, including that portion of salary paid to each of two trained teachers which is not covered by the adult education program. Expenses are kept down by the efforts of "co-operating" mothers, four of whom help out each day with group projects. Co-operating

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Rest period, bone of contention with many children, is vital to healthy growth. While some don't take it "lying down," they do relax for minutes at a time when a mother is standing by



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mothers pay \$12.50 per month per child whereas those who are non-co-op pay \$20 a month. In any event, three months of co-operating are required from each mother, after which she may become non-co-op if she wishes.

Mothers who attend school one day each week along with their children say it's a toss-up who learns more. The youngsters discover new outlets for busy imaginations in creative play with blocks, clay, games, and toys, and develop healthy bodies as they climb and run outdoors. At the same time, mothers learn how a child feels, thinks, and grows, find new ways to give him proper direction. Mothers are especially enthusiastic about "tricks of the trade" which they pick up from the two trained teachers, are quick to adopt them for home use.

Fathers, as well as mothers, have a share in the school. They help out with heavy cleaning, painting, and carpentry jobs, and, in addition, attend regular business meetings and parent-education lectures on subjects pertaining to child guidance.

The Marina Play School might well serve as an example to other U. S. communities. As one father puts it, "For parents with moderate incomes, for those who want to learn how to guide their children, our money is on the co-operative play school."



Most children can hardly wait to start the day at Marina Play School. Parents, who own the school, took an old dance studio, converted it into play area to please the young

Small fry learn to express themselves through art, music, and games. Pictures may be dabs at first, but no grown-up makes the fatal error of asking, "What is it?"



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## Letters

My wife and I and our three children live in the small town of Nenana, Alaska—the home of the great Nenana ice pool and the place where mighty stern-wheelers slash their way down the Tanana River into the waters of the Yukon River.

In the summertime, when it is light most of the time and the rush is on to get staples loaded on the great barges, Nenana is a right smart, lively town. But during the spring, when the streets are covered by water, and during the long winter when uncontrolled dog teams roam the streets, life is raw and untamed.

In the cities of Alaska, family life is about the same as that in Billings, Montana, or Casper, Wyoming, but in small towns like Nenana life is primitive. Here oil for the stove must be brought into the house and warmed up before it can be used, and coal- or wood-burning families must get up during the night to fire up and keep the plumbing from freezing.

Our home has an oil stove in the front room, a coal stove for cooking, another coal stove in the basement to keep the water system from freezing, and this is the usual setup in the Nenana home. In the summer, the basement is filled with water and canoes must be used for travel between home and the main part of the town. The children love it!

Life is as hard on animals as it is on humans. Last year there were four horses in Nenana, but two of them died, and when the others are gone, there will be no more horses within fifty miles. Cats are killed by wandering Malemutes, and a number of the latter die off each year from mange, distemper, and other diseases in spite of the pills and shots given them.

All of us in Nenana—Indians, Eskimos, and whites—take an active part in the town's social life, banding together to promote dances, bingo games, and sewing bees. Usually dances fall into the old-fashioned square-dance pattern, with the mayor of the town acting as caller and the deputy U.S. marshal keeping order.

We read everything here. We are great readers, and THE AMERICAN HOME is found in almost every home.

Anyone who comes to Alaska for a trip on the river boats will come through Nenana. The town is just as it looks—rough and miserable, glad and lighthearted—for it covers up nothing. The feelings of the people appear in the trash-strewn streets, in the crude log cabins, in the unlocked doors that welcome visitors. Nenana is nothing to brag about, but there is lure in its name. Here there is a sort of wild action, the adventure and enchantment found only in raw frontiers of the world. Nenana is our home!—GEORGE JENNINGS GALE

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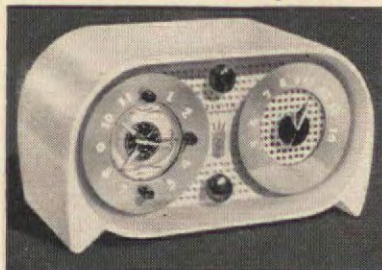




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*The Successful Hostess*, by Elizabeth Stuart Hedgecock. (Burgess Publishing Co.) Price \$3.00. . . Written for the young homemaker who has the desire and taste for entertaining with distinction, but is faced with a limited amount of money, time, and help. Ideas for parties, table decorations to make yourself, menus, recipes, and other informative data.



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# Summertime belongs to Children

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Now that vacation time is here, let us freely allow our children the poetry of summer. A few chores of course, to develop a sense of responsibility and the feeling of being partially self-sustaining. But let's let most of the summer be poetry, which is what remains after we see, touch, taste, smell, and hear things. It is the right of childhood.

I am pleading for the right of children to spend most of summer caressing their environment ("I, the caresser of life wherever moving," was the way Walt Whitman said it). If your child is under ten years old, he will sense impressions as he never will again. If he doesn't, he loses something for the rest of his life. Children's experiences are "originals," "first editions." No one can reach back from adulthood to secure what he did not get of this poetry when he was a child.

Yet once secured, these impressions can't be lost. It is there to draw against for all the rest of life. Henry Adams could, after sixty years, revive on his tongue the taste of things he knew in his New England boyhood. I can remember the ghost sound of boats at night on the river, still see the moon through the wisteria vines, remember playing jacks on the big front step. I can still feel poplar tree "worms" under my feet in April, hear the assault of hail against summer windowpanes, taste rhubarb cooked in sugared water in the sun.

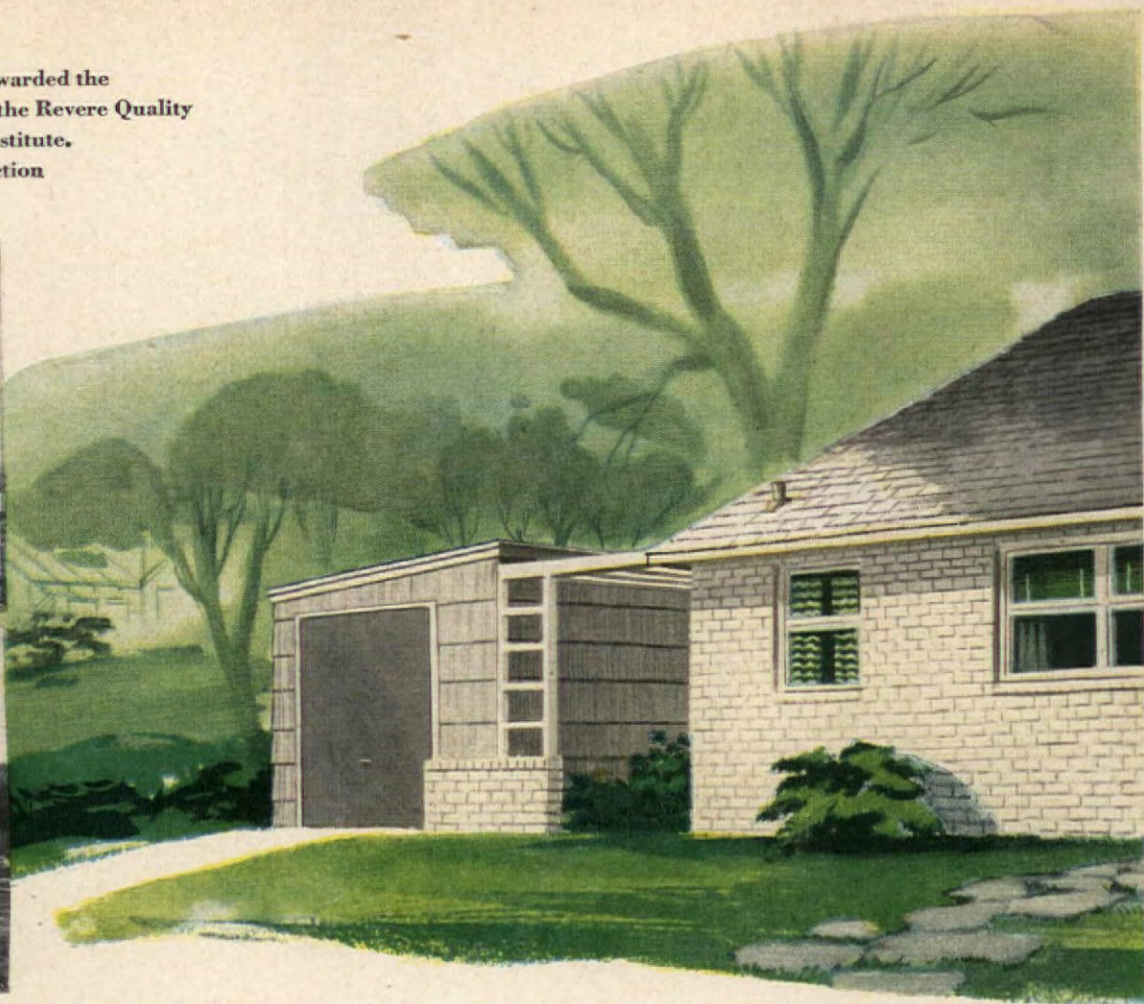
So I dare to demand for your child his divine right—to the poetry of summer. Let him be as free as possible of the pressure of time. Let him live in his tree house or his wigwam or his branch hut in the woods. Let him be free to imagine himself other persons in other places in other times. Let him put his bare feet in mud, and feel earthworms, and watch storms, and suck honey from nasturtiums, and make catnip tea. Let him stay up late enough at night to get acquainted with the stars; take him far enough from street lights so that stars have a chance to be important.

Let him see, taste, smell, hear, and feel—and thus fulfill the injunction to remember his Creator in the days of his youth.





This American Home Blueprint House was awarded the Seal of Merit for design and construction by the Revere Quality House Division of the Southwest Research Institute.  
Below: Pictures of the house during construction



# Stop Dreaming—Start Building

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The outside walls are white painted brick and cedar shingles stained a soft gray, with bright red trim on boards and battens around the entrance door. The roof trim is white, and there's a low brick planting box at the large corner window.

Get this! There are three bedrooms, and a living-dining room over twenty-nine feet long in the house! The windows were planned so you can arrange your furniture without getting decorator's headache—there's a corner wood-burning fireplace for the touch of luxury, a built-in pass-through between dining area and kitchen, and one full bath plus one half-bath, giving the same service as two when the dividing door is closed.

This basementless house is completely insulated in outside walls and ceilings; pipes in the floor slab furnish radiant heat. There's plenty of closet space: the heater room doubles as an extra storage room; the garage is wider than average and has a closet for garden tools. The flagstone terrace in the breezeway is wonderful for lounging and outdoor meals during the summer. Our model house was designed to give you the greatest amount of ventilation during

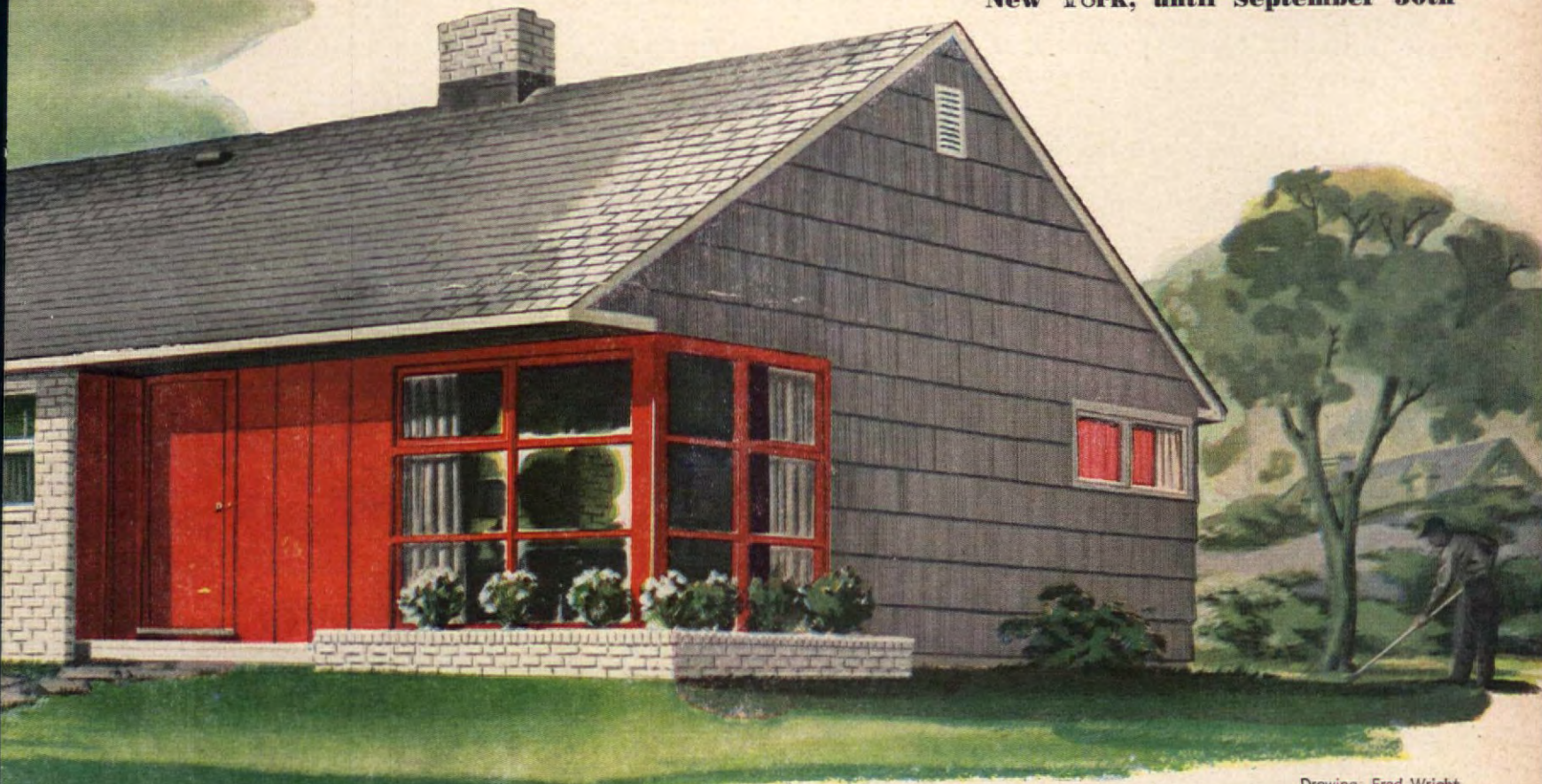
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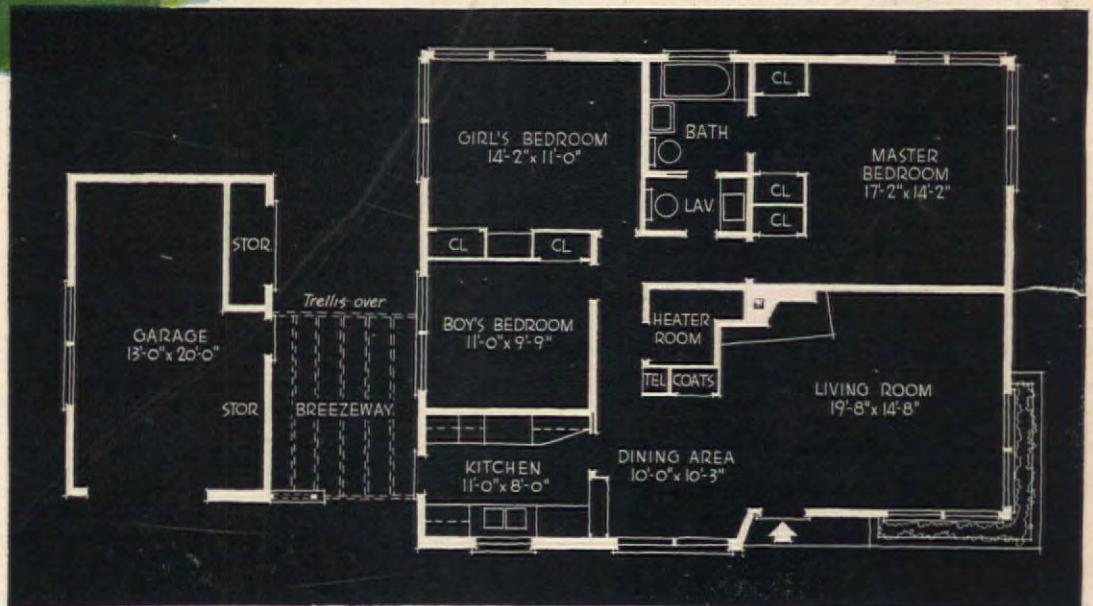
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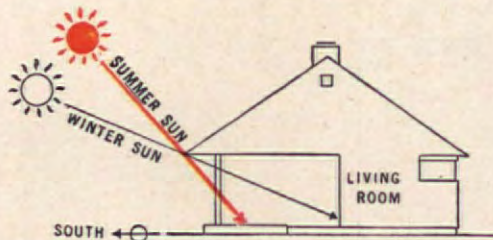
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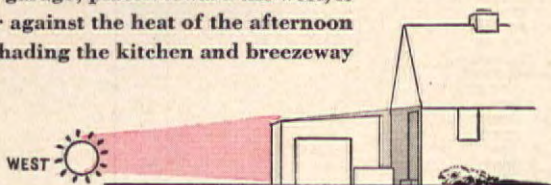


Architect: James A. Scovill



House faces south. Wide roof overhang blocks high noon summer sun from living room. In winter, when sun crosses south of equator, long slanting rays reach far into living room, supplying much of its natural heat

The garage, placed toward the west, is a buffer against the heat of the afternoon sun, shading the kitchen and breezeway



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# BUILD THIS HOME



# Stop Dreaming—Start Building

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warm weather; windows and doors are placed at just the right spot to catch any breeze, so often overlooked when building a house.

Everything about the interior reflects the uncommon amount of common sense shown by Bloomingdale's department store in New York, who did such an excellent job of decorating. We were especially impressed by the way the furniture can be interchanged without upsetting color schemes or furniture balance.

In THE LIVING ROOM the fireside benches have countless uses. They may serve as bases for added drawer or cabinet units, as cocktail tables, or they become extra seats at the dining table. The loveseat effect is made up by two separate chairs. The coffee table may be raised from 15 inches to regular dining height, and two leaves extend it from 40 to 60 inches. It costs about \$42.50 in either height.

The color scheme fills the eye with its beauty—lime walls, draperies, rugs, and blond-wood and black-lacquer furniture. Fabrics are in the same tones, with coral accents. Typical of furniture used is an inexpensive birch desk (\$54.50), which happens to be placed where it is because of the light, but it could easily fit into any 48-inch wall space. The split bamboo blinds can be regulated for more or less sun and for easy manipulation at swing-out windows by simply pulling them up from a trough on the floor. Coral-covered pads cover the fireplace fender benches (\$15.95 each). A smaller version of this bench makes the good-looking lamp table on the hearth.

THE DINING AREA requires very little furniture; with the lower section of the pass-through wall between kitchen and dinette used as a sideboard, all that's needed are a dining table and chairs. These five pieces cost only \$132.00, and they're from the same group as the living-room pieces. Extra pads are in the same coral color as those on fireside benches.

THE GIRL'S BEDROOM, which can also be used as a guest room, has one wall with a built-in three-drawer chest, topped by a mirror with overhead lighting, and a commodious sliding-door closet. The bed-divans form right angles under the windows, fancied up with organdy and plaid taffeta curtains. The corner table, coffee table, bookcase units, and twin chests (not shown) are unpainted stock pieces sprayed a harmonizing color. They're effective and serviceable, and kept the price of furnishings down.

THE MASTER BEDROOM is a feast of beautiful colors, with turquoise predominating—walls, rugs, draperies, and spread—accented by coral touches throughout the room. A small table bench, similar to those in the living room, is topped by a single drawer unit (\$27.95) to become a good night table. One of the 48-inch benches supports a six-drawer chest. The other bench at the foot of the bed could be used in the living room when more than the usual number of guests arrive. In fact, there's not a piece of this furniture which has to stay put in just one place!

A sawbuck picnic table and stool were cut down and painted red



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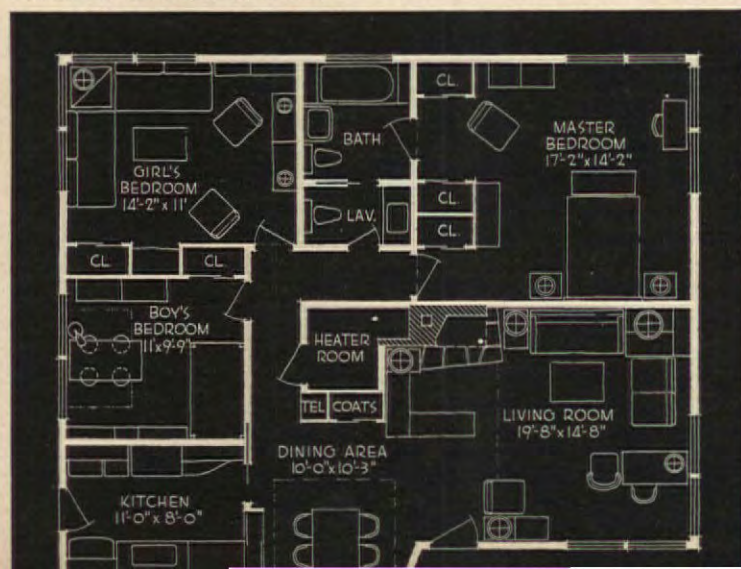


DINING AREA

Photographs by F. M. Demarest

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## STORAGE WALL



From front door on, furniture arrangement makes sense. It directs traffic, defines areas, provides plenty of group and individual seating, reading, work and play areas with proper light. It is integrated, so almost any of it can go into other rooms. Meets the test of good planning









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## Start Building

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for the BOY'S ROOM. There's a double bunk-bed, not shown. But we really galloped to town on the walls! You can easily do the same thing in your little broncho-buster's room with our easy-to-paint patterns of these Wild West designs (see page 93 for order form). It's very little work, takes just a little time, and you'll get a kick out of Pecos Pete, Broncho Billy, and Calamity. The cactus looks real enough to sting, besides which there's a longhorn steer, county jail, all the stuff a sheriff sports, and many other exciting Wild West patterns. You'll be able to change a drab room into something he'll get a lot of fun out of, and watch and see, it'll go fast, requires little equipment, and looks like a million dollars. Send for yours today and get started!

For an average-sized KITCHEN, this one is a corker! Look at all

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Hi Ho!

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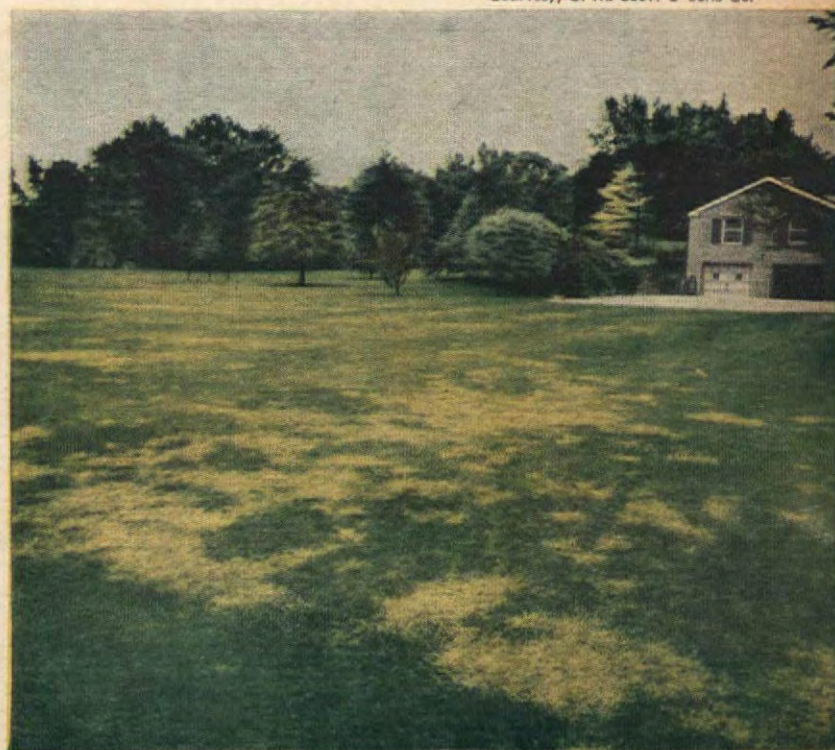
# How to Kill Crabgrass

**1950 can be the year of independence for you and your lawn. Two or three treatments in midsummer with a new, dry, dustless chemical will do it, say results of three years' trials**

Courtesy, O. M. Scott & Sons Co.



Young crabgrass plants, deceptively green and vigorous, but a potential pain in the lawn if ignored. Fortunately, starting in mid-July, you can eliminate them without harming the turf



This might be *your* lawn (a) in fall, hopelessly disfigured by frost-killed crabgrass; or (b) in September, with the pest destroyed by you, in time to feed and reseed. Which will it be?

If you are a crabgrass victim, come next fall your lawn will look like the one shown above—or worse. It may even stay that way all winter, for if you delay action until frost kills the pest and reveals how widespread it was, it will be too late to reseed. But if you want this to be your year of independence from crabgrass, you won't wait for that to happen. Instead, you'll start a brand-new crabgrass eradication program, now available after years of research, experimentation, and practical tests on home lawns like yours and mine.

Assuming you have found scattered crabgrass outposts looking like those in the left-hand picture, you'll let them grow a little bigger and lustier. Then—no later than mid-July—you'll make a first application of Scutl, a newly perfected, dry, clean, almost dustless material consisting of finely ground vermiculite with which are incorporated crabgrass-destructive chemicals. You'll apply it dry, at the rate of 1 pint to 100 square feet (5 pounds to 1,200) using, preferably, a handy fertilizer or lawn-seed spreader, although a perforated shaker will serve. You'll do this late in the afternoon of a fair day when rain is unlikely for 12 hours or so. . . . And that's all. No brushing in, watering, or other fussing. You'll hold off mowing for two or

three days to let the broad, coarse, prostrate crabgrass leaves absorb the material and start its deadly work inside them. (It will mostly fall off the surrounding, narrow-leaved, desirable grasses onto the soil where it is harmless; at worst, good grass or clover will show only a slight and temporary yellowing.)

About a week later, repeat the dose; and once more, a week or so after that—and the treatment is completed, except for the raking up and burning of the dead crabgrass with its still immature seed crop. If the resulting bare spots are big and numerous enough, you will fertilize and reseed them by early September (the best time of all for lawn making), and by winter you will have a good, thick, crabgrass-free turf to start next summer with. Should you delay action until the infestation is very heavy, or if you are impatient, you can condense the program into two treatments, doubling the applications.

To summarize: Apply Scutl dry, evenly, 1 pint per 100 sq. ft., in two or three doses between mid-July and September 1; do it when lawn is dry, late in the day, so dew will dissolve the chemicals for the crabgrass to absorb. The material does not evaporate, and there is no spray or dust to blow onto and injure adjacent valuable plants.

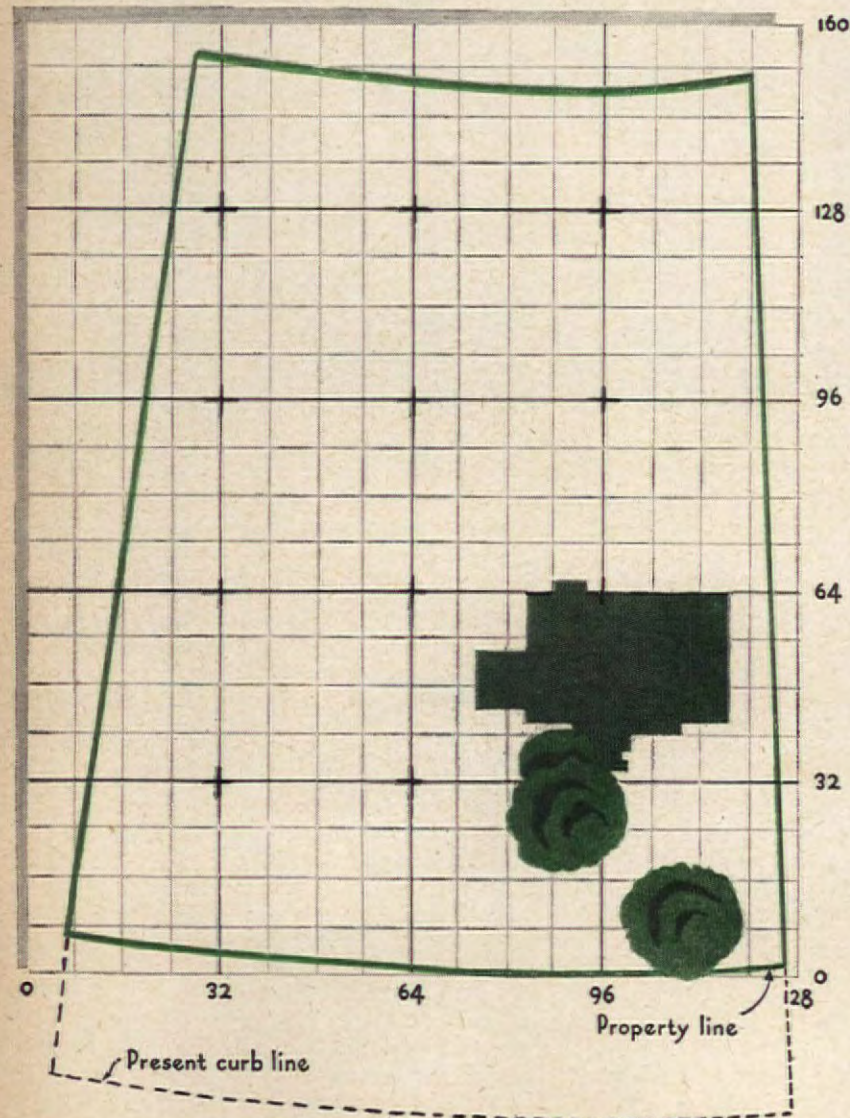


Model trees, both broadleaf (right) and evergreen (below), were built up of twigs, needles, and pellets or ruffles of Plasticine



# How to Plan before You Plant

Illustrations by Richard S. Buck, Jr., rendered by Pucci



First, a sheet of paper tacked to a three-ply corrugated board base. One-inch squares laid off, each representing 8 sq. ft. Every fourth line darkened. House area and existing trees carefully indicated

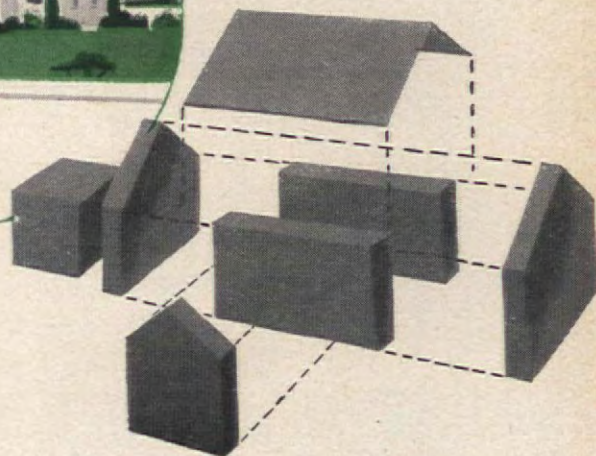
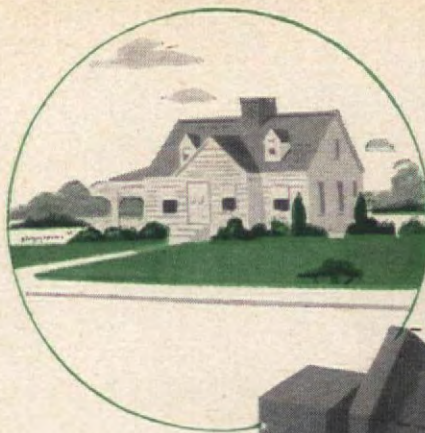
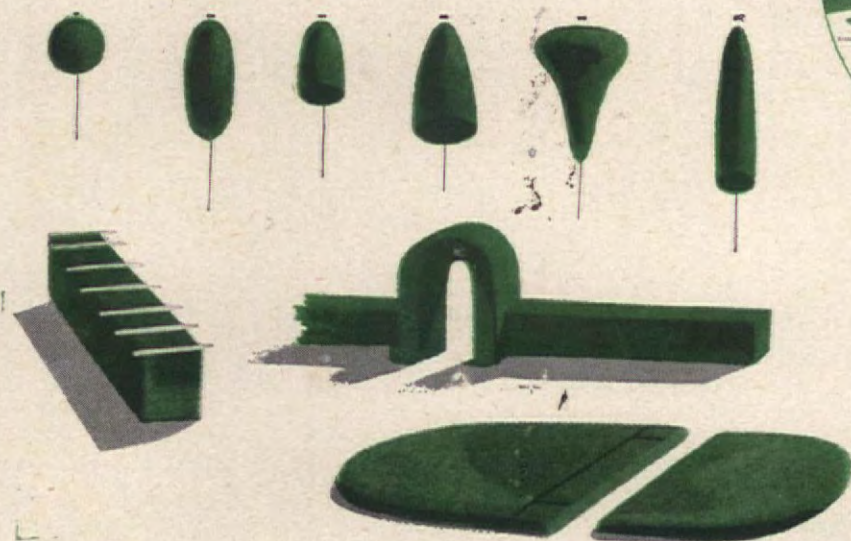
DORIS PITKIN BUCK

Not long ago my husband and I found ourselves—like many another couple—owners of a new house on a comparatively bare lot. Funds and energy for landscaping were limited; expectations were boundless. As additional complications my husband, an architect, is visual-minded; I am almost completely word-minded; so we find it difficult to plan together. Yet plan we had to, to avoid the back-breaking, spirit-wrecking effort of digging new holes for plants after discovering, belatedly, ways to improve on a first arrangement. We therefore decided to work with a model of claylike Plasticine instead of the conventional black and white, drawn layout. As we evolved our plan, we placed on squared paper tacked to a board miniature buildings, trees, shrubs, etc.—all highly simplified. With them we attacked our problems: to achieve an outdoor living room, enclosed but not breezeless, that would also supply a vista from the dining room; to gain privacy without completely walling off our neighbors; to get the beckoning charm of a winding lane into garden areas that totaled not more than one third of an acre.

Our model gave us answers with the speed of a Ouija board. We uprooted hedges in a couple of seconds and planted them elsewhere, with no messy erasing of penciled lines. We turned a rose arbor into a spruce as if we were a fairy godmother. Using the simple forms pictured herewith, I could see how projected effects would pan out. Even my husband found the model valuable when debating how high the hedges enclosing the outdoor living room should be. An originally thought of wall of evergreen privet (15 feet tall) looked overwhelming, so he switched to 5-foot Japanese holly—and incidentally solved the breeze problem! The model saved us from “economizing” on two white pines to end the outdoor living-room wall and terminate the dining-room vista. Something small there would have looked ridiculous for years, so we saved elsewhere: put off buying shrubs not needed immediately, and grew hollyhock from seed to take their place for a few summers. The model indicated ultimate sizes, too. It is hard for me to visualize a tree when I look at a sapling; but a little work with Plasticine shows what nature will take years to accomplish. Of course, our model told us nothing about color and foliage texture. For that we relied on a “dress rehearsal” garden using annuals as stand-ins for the permanent things to be used later. Thus, we feel that we know, at little cost and without tears, what our garden will be like in five years.

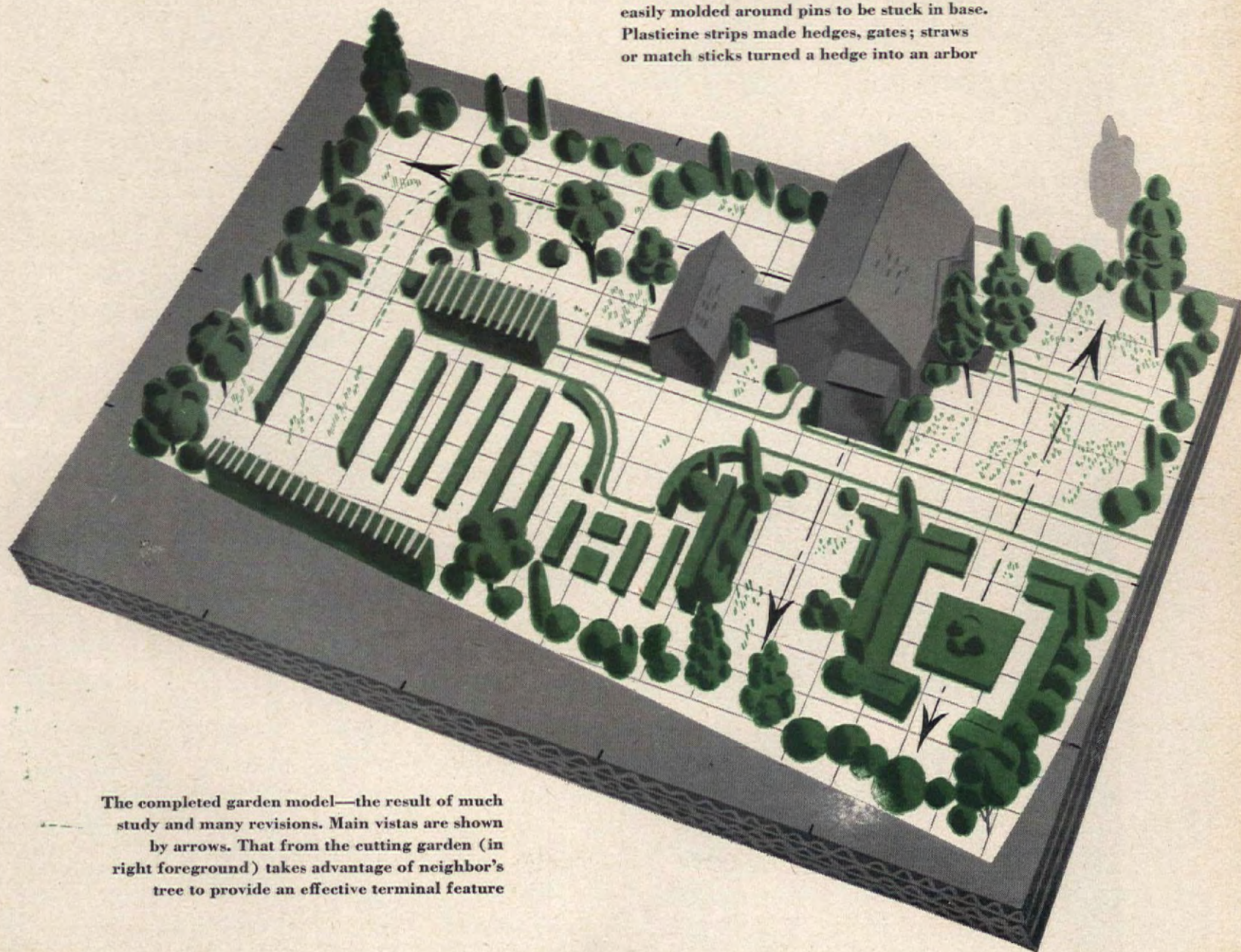


Because my husband is visual-minded and I am word-minded, we usually find it hard to plan things together. Using a model, however, we solved that problem and were able to lay out and visualize our garden harmoniously and with results that were gratifyingly efficient, economical, enjoyable



For our model, we made our house (suggested in circle) in simplified form, without details. The component Plasticine parts and cardboard roof are here "exploded" to show their shape

Simplified plant forms (upper row left) were easily molded around pins to be stuck in base. Plasticine strips made hedges, gates; straws or match sticks turned a hedge into an arbor



The completed garden model—the result of much study and many revisions. Main vistas are shown by arrows. That from the cutting garden (in right foreground) takes advantage of neighbor's tree to provide an effective terminal feature



# “...and the Living is Easy”



Nice work if you can get it—this chef has an excellent barbecue oven to work with, plenty of expert advice, and an admiring audience! The Kronthals do most of their year-round entertaining this way, informally. Week-end parties are given regularly, dress is casual, everyone has fun



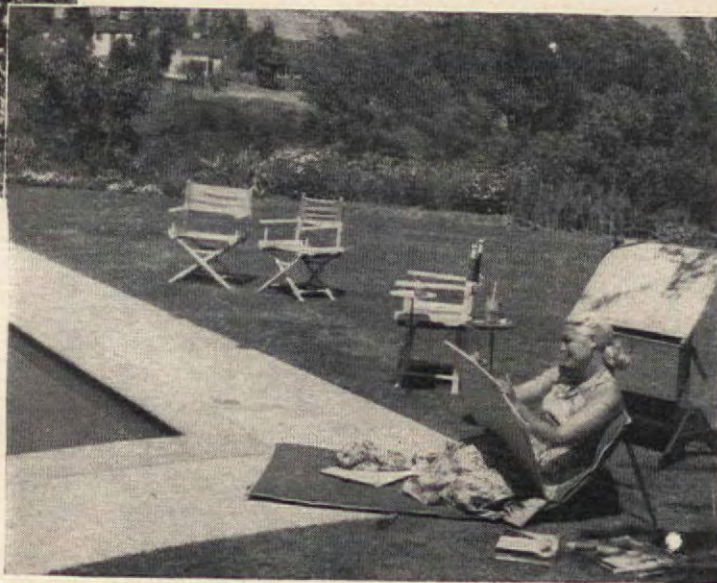




Who'd want anything more for outdoor meals?  
Spacious, plenty of comfortable furniture, thousands  
of fragrant roses anxious to send forth their perfume

Working becomes pleasure in a setting like this. Here  
De De Johnson dreams up some of the designs which  
have made her one of sportswear's outstanding experts

Photographs: Jack Albin, Bob Cleveland, Edward Lester Smith



Data, Kay Campbell, Walter Fuesler, architect



Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kronthal are two of the most fortunate people in the world. They've been happily married for quite a long time; they've both achieved success in their careers; they have a beautiful, comfortable, modern home that's close to the city, yet seems to be as secluded as a mountain retreat. Here they have found all the wonders of a vacation resort, all the informality of a week-end cottage, all the comfort of a well-built city home. Naturally, when vacation time arrives, they just stay put, instead of packing up and going away to a resort that probably couldn't offer them as much as their own.

Several years ago when they bought the place, the thing which really sold them was the location, the view, and surroundings. As far as the house was concerned, it needed a lot of doing over. The Mediterranean architecture wasn't exactly what they'd planned on, the living room, dining room, bedrooms were all small, and to top it off, the lot was extremely narrow. But adjacent to it were two vacant lots which they were able to buy, and this made all the difference in the world.

First of all, they decided to make changes in the outside living areas before they tackled the remodeling of the house inside. A terrace with a barbecue at one end was built just outside the living room and master bedroom, from which steps led to the gardens. Quite by accident the swimming pool which was built at the end of the garden was set lower than planned. But it was an accident which paid dividends, for the gardens now serve as a natural windbreak. At the far end of the pool, dressing-rooms and an auxiliary dining area were erected. Roses and strawberry plants and lemon trees flourish flamboyantly, and note that the latter two are not only decorative, but also practical. They replace the ornamental shrubs which the Kronthals found when they took over. Incidentally, these fortunate people have roses all year round!

Inside the house, the living room was enlarged, the windows widened. A glass wall has doors cut into it which lead to the garden. The master bedroom was enlarged, too, and a glass wall replaces the original solid one. Mrs. Kronthal is De De Johnson, well-known better-sportswear designer, with an exceptionally fine sense of color, so no one is surprised that the interiors have received masterful treatment. With the help of Barbara Barondess McLean, interior decorator, the brilliant, strong natural colors of the outdoor foliage seem to step right into the living room, predominantly

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Shiny new pail and gallons of paint. Shell started briskly, but slowed up as he went along. We both developed a let's-hurry-up-and-get-it-over-with complex. The wallpaper required lots of thought. "And after you choose it, I suppose I'll have to hang it!" He was so right. But I did the pasting on the back. Paper is dark green-and-white stripe



When you've waited for a year to find a place to live and all of a sudden a three-room apartment falls into your lap, if you're like Sheldon and me, you grab it, no questions asked. You're so glad to get it, you don't even take a good look.

We signed the lease, celebrated a little, went back the next day to examine our treasure. It was old, it was dirty, there were some awkward things about it, but we figured that with a little soap and paint and a clever touch here and there we could whip it up into shape in no time. Like all beginners, we underestimated the size of the project, overestimated our ability and patience. But now it's all finished, it looks beautiful to us, our thumbs have healed, and it's difficult sometimes for us not to look too proud.

The painting would be a breeze. A little water paint, a couple of brushes, it would be fun. Oh, to be young and stupid again! I'm the only female I ever heard of who, instead of using cold-cream at the end of the day, would wash my face with turpentine. Of course, Sheldon, who is methodical, never dropped a drop, remained neat-looking. I hated him.

In our apartment there are archways, doors, yes. Wall space, no. There's a radiator in front of the window which looks as if it's there just for spite. We carried the living room colors through to the dinette to eliminate as much as possible the chopped-up look, but the kitchen stared through, spoiling an otherwise good picture. So Sheldon put up a lattice-work between the kitchen and dining area. The beauty-rooms and duty-room are separated now.

Sheldon built bookcases around the radiator, I PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 80

# We Fixed a Flat!

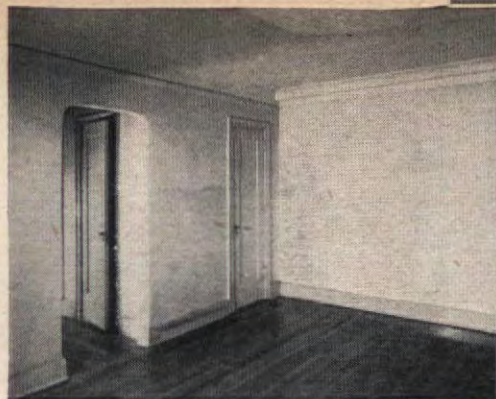
Shell planned and built in the latticework and replaced glass cabinet doors with plywood ones. The driftwood on the credenza was imported by me personally from Maine. Shell mounted a radio speaker in the credenza so that music fills the living room without stifling conversation. The cloth is chartreuse, chinaware green and chartreuse



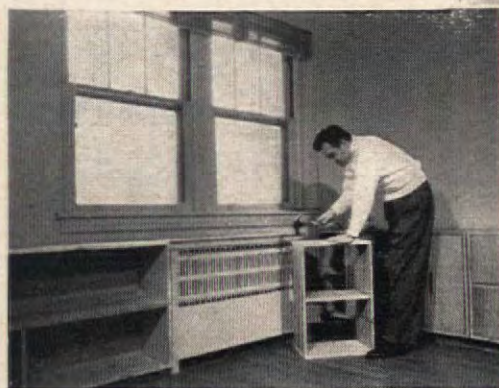
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We painted this wall dark green—other walls, ceiling, sofa and console are chartreuse. Shell made end tables and console of plywood and I painted them. He took the photograph over console with a Brownie, proving you can get good pictures inexpensively. On the left is a cedar closet which we ignore most of the time



Bookcases were made long after all the painting had been done. We finished sections of the radio console in chartreuse, with black plastic control panels. They look very professional. There are some more enlarged snapshots on the wall. Everything is built at the same height, making a continuous line



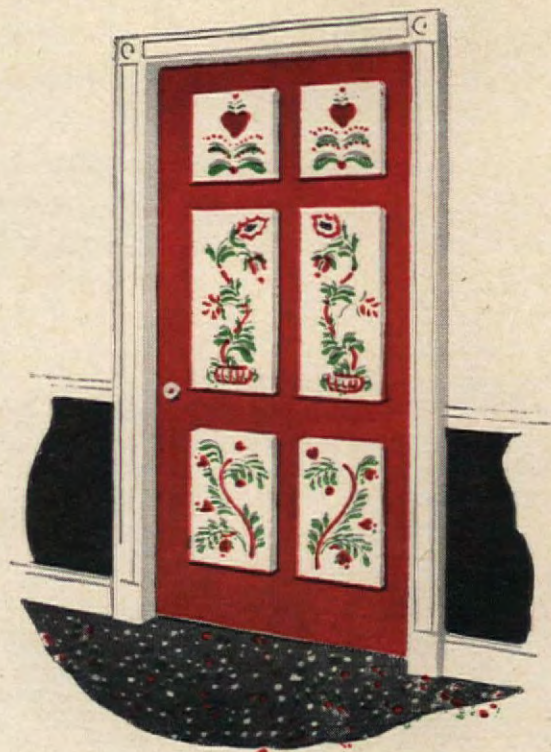
We made two living-room windows appear as one by draping the entire wall and using one large venetian blind. Made the lamp of striated plywood, using white cotton rug yarn wrapped around wire frame for shade. Draperies are green, chartreuse, and white print. Chair and carpet, hunter green



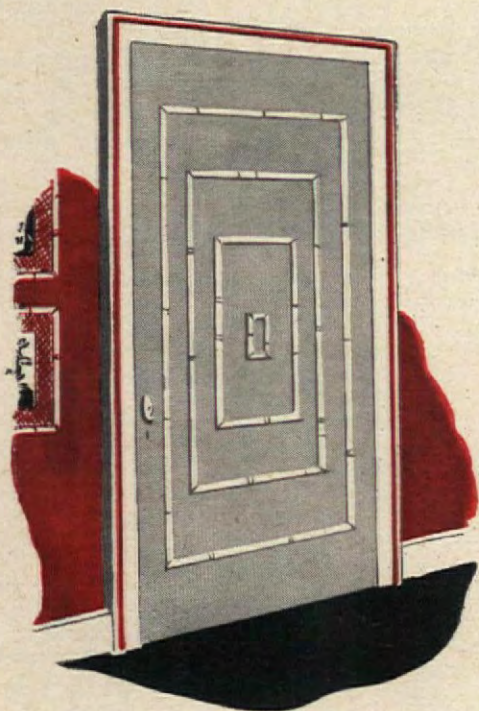




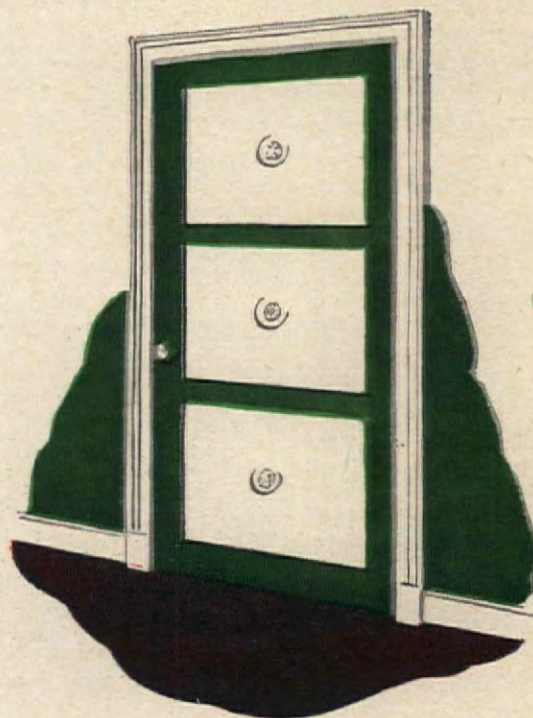
Believe it or not, this was an ordinary three-panel door, completely dull. The change was brought about by a single sheet of plywood, applied to door face, and a fretwork of simple moldings in modern Greek pattern



Bright, gay, informal—simply achieved by covering the six panels of a stock door with pieces of five-ply plywood. Applied Swedish designs on white panels were adapted from American Home ideas



A single piece of plywood, door-size, was applied to stock door and covered with natural-tone grass cloth. Split bamboo strips were then applied in concentric rectangular pattern to produce cool South Pacific effect



Three large plywood panels cover ordinary door. To gain added depth, panels were blocked out one inch from face. To fill original panels where exposed, wood pieces were inserted flush with face of old door



# How to make a Good Entrance



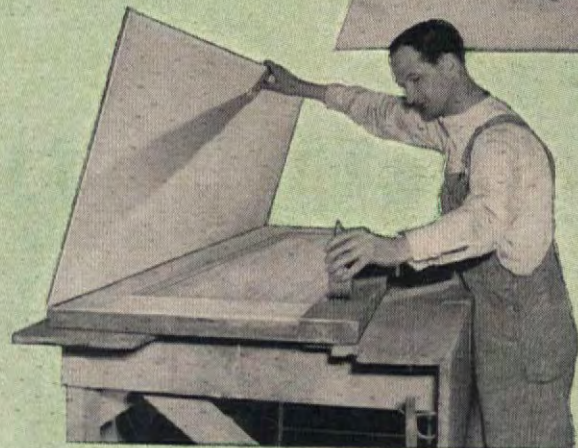
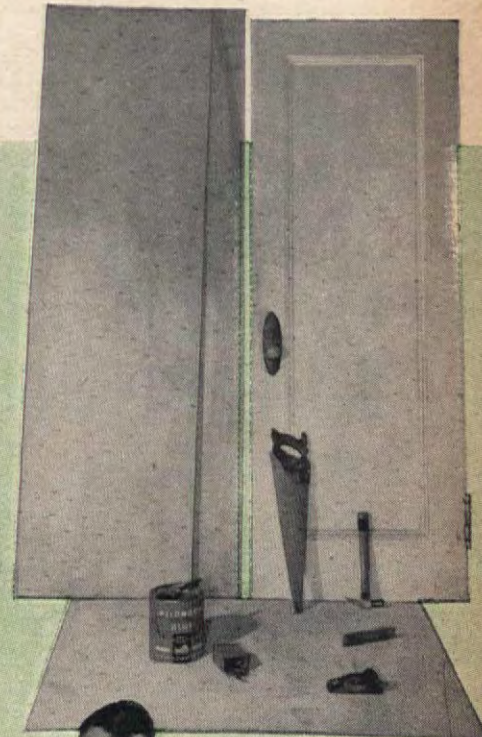
Diamond-shaped pieces of plywood, set  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch apart, were applied to face of this entrance door. Since the added plywood will make the door thicker, frame stop must be moved back to bring door flush with trim

**M**ake an entrance! Spotlight your doors! Give your room or hallway a dramatic new accent with a door that really counts. The byword is plywood. Take advantage of the lesson learned by Charles F. Rogers, Jr., owner-manager of New York's Prince George Hotel. A single piece of plywood transformed each clumsy, antiquated door into a clean, smooth, flush panel that set the tone of the hotel's entire redecorating job. And with 1,000 doors you can bet it was the cost that really counted!

It's a simple operation, and the variations are as endless as your own desires. Moldings applied to the surface of the plywood can be decorated with any number of attractive, gay designs. They can be bought at your local lumber dealer's and cost very little. You needn't be limited to one sheet of plywood. Smaller panels can be cut and even blocked out from the face of the door to match any period or style from Chippendale to Early American.

For additional economy order the plywood finished on just one side, and remember that if the original panel molding protrudes beyond the face of a door, it'll have to be planed down flush before the new plywood is glued on. It's an easy job and most rewarding. The basic steps for rejuvenating your door are shown at left; a few design and color suggestions appear here and on opposite page.

Here's all the material needed to completely rejuvenate unimaginative single-panel door. A piece of plywood, finished only on one side and the same size as the door itself, hammer, saw, glue (especially recommended by the plywood manufacturer), nails, plane. If you're an amateur, cut the plywood  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch larger on all sides, then plane down to size after gluing



Remove all hinges, hardware, locks and doorknobs. Scrape off old paint and varnish to give a good rough surface and apply a thin coat of glue to both underside of plywood panel and door. Press into position



Then, at ten- or twelve-inch intervals, nail through plywood into door using 17-gauge, one-inch wire brads. Countersink brads below surface of plywood and fill holes with putty. Sand surface smooth and finish with paint, varnish, or shellac



# The Pleasure in Herbs

Do you seek a fascinating hobby? Do you often wish you had more imagination in cooking? Do you like to give Christmas presents that you have made? Could you use a spare-time source of extra income? If the answer is yes to any of these questions, you ought to try your hand at herbs.

Nearly all recent magazines and cookbooks recommend herbs for seasoning—and to know their true intriguing flavors and fragrances, you must grow them. As raw materials for gifts, they suggest almost endless novelties. For the time and effort needed to grow them, they return probably more pleasure and profit than any other one group of plants. The scented foliage of sweet basil, thyme, sage, and rosemary is delightful for making tiny nosegays to convey messages of love and remembrance without any necessity for flowers. Dried, the leaves can be put in sachets and potpourri. In both the creative and culinary arts, just what to do with herbs will be suggested by the special ability or ingenuity that each of us has hidden away somewhere. Just as home-grown vegetables are more tender and flavorful than those from the market, so dried herbs and seeds gathered from the garden and carefully cured in small quantities at home will often have a pungence and color hard to duplicate by large scale commercial production methods. Also returns in pleasure—and modest profit—come soon, sometimes from the first season's harvest after planting.

Gift "herb wheels" can be made of those gadgets sold unimaginatively for keeping tacks and screws handy; when the little glass jars are filled with herb leaves, neatly labeled, and perhaps embellished with painted sprays of thyme or borage, a present results that is handsome—and useful—enough for

a wedding gift. Or jars of individual herbs or mixtures for soups, salads, poultry seasoning, etc., can be nestled in a bread basket or individual salad bowl, left plain or decorated with stencil work, covered with cellophane, and trimmed with a bow and a sprig of rosemary. Catnip-filled pillows are always welcomed by owners of feline pets whose obvious appreciation is amusing and rewarding to watch.

Herb-flavored vinegars are a simple, natural, and rewarding choice for the beginner to attempt. Fill a wide-mouthed jar with leafy tips of basil—or burnet, dill, chervil, mint, or tarragon; pour over enough wine- or mint-vinegar to come within a quarter inch of the rim; put rubber ring and glass top in place (the vinegar will corrode metal); and let the jar stand in a warm place for six weeks; then strain and let stand again for two days before decanting into small bottles. (If the vinegar is heated to just below boiling, the necessary brewing time can be cut in half.) A vinegar made with crushed garlic cloves is pungent but indispensable; and any of them are useful in salad making or to marinate meats.

After mastering the arts of growing and drying herbs, making spicy vinegars, etc., you will easily progress to experiments with herb jellies, mustards, candies, candied leaves and flowers, sachets, and potpourri. Moreover an interest in herbs will lead to many interesting side paths in the fields of history, botany, medicine, folklore, social customs, art, etc. You will need the guidance of a good handbook, which may be as simple as the 50-cent "It Is Easy to Grow Herbs," or as comprehensive as Rosetta E. Clarkson's "Herbs, Their Culture and Uses," costing \$3.50. The Herb Grower Magazine is published at Falls Village, Connecticut.

SOME HERBS EASY TO GROW FROM SEED

Name — Common	Botanical	Height (in.)	Kind	Likes	Parts and Their Culinary Uses
Anise	<i>Pimpinella anisum</i>	18	Annual	Sun	Seeds for cookies
Balm, Lemon	<i>Melissa officinalis</i>	24	Perennial	Sun or ½ shade	Leaves in beverages
Basil, Sweet	<i>Ocimum basilicum</i>	24	Annual	Sun	Leaves in salads, tomato dishes
Borage	<i>Borago officinalis</i>	24	Annual	Sun	Flowers for a garnish
Burnet, Salad	<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	18	Perennial	Sun	Leaves (cucumber-flavored) in salads
Caraway	<i>Carum carvi</i>	24	Biennial	Sun	Seeds in baking
Chervil, Salad	<i>Anthriscus cerefolium</i>	18	Annual	½ shade	Leaves in salads; fines herbes
Chives	<i>Allium schoenoprasum</i>	12	Perennial	Sun	Leaves in salads, soups, cream cheese
Coriander	<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>	18	Annual	Sun	Seeds in cookies, sausage
Dill	<i>Anethum graveolens</i>	36	Annual	Sun	Leaves, seeds in sauces, pickles
Fennel, Sweet	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	48	Perennial	Sun	Leaves with fish; seeds in tea
Parsley	<i>Petroselinum crispum</i>	18	Biennial	Sun or ½ shade	In soups, stews; as garnish
Sage	<i>Salvia officinalis</i>	24	Perennial	Sun	Leaves in stuffing
Summer Savory	<i>Satureja hortensis</i>	18	Annual	Sun	Leaves with beans; in chicken dressing
Thyme, English	<i>Thymus vulgaris</i>	12	Perennial	Sun	Leaves in soups; fines herbes





photograph by Jack Roche

Here is our friend, Mrs. Everett Rowley (whose activities in garden and kitchen we told about in June), proving the delights that grow in a home garden of herbs—especially the titillating thrill of herb vinegars







# Southern Comfort

It's a wide step from Williamsburg, Virginia, to Dallas, Texas, yet the handsome, comfortable home of the Marshall Matsons has spanned the time, the custom, and the distance with consummate grace. While they just naturally love to collect antiques, they still have that old Texas feeling for expansive comfort and easy living, so John Astin Perkins, their architect and decorator, helped them to keep their home as informal as possible.

White brick and clapboard walls are relieved by dark green shutters, practical as well as decorative, since they may be closed against the heat and glare. As in many Southern houses, the long, deep porches on front and back get plenty of use during the many months of warm weather.

A central hall runs straight through the house, catching every possible bit of breeze. Colonial wallpaper in

gray and green above the gray wainscot provides a handsome background for the fine old grandfather's clock, Empire game table, and time-muted hooked rugs.

The kitchen's in the front, handy to the street porch. Back of it the living and dining rooms face each other across the hall. Like many Texas houses, there's a fireplace in both these rooms, as useful as it is ornamental during the long months when such heat is adequate. The bedrooms carry through the Early American idea, particularly one with red-rose printed wallpaper, woven rugs, and an abundance of chintz. Incidentally, the central heating plant in the Matsons' attic, though unusual, is most efficient.

The house recalls historic Williamsburg, almost to the last detail, but set right in the midst of Texas looks as though it always belonged there.

Photo: Dorothy L. Monroe. Architect-decorator: John Astin Perkins. Photographs: Hance Griffith



Place of honor in living room, upper pictures, is given portrait of Colonial ancestor. Opposite wall has large Audubon print, matted in dark green, framed in curly maple. Valances above organdy curtains covered in same green and brown chintz as sofa



Wood box beside dining-room fireplace can be refilled from garage side. Shallow cupboards above are for glass storage. Guest room, like three second-floor bedrooms, is fundamentally provincial with curved-frame shutters in place of usual curtains





# Set it up Yourself

Here may be the answer to your prayers.

**Knock-Down furniture that's easy on the eyes,**

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It's called Knock-Down furniture because it's sold to you completely disassembled and you put it together yourself. But don't get the idea that it's a knock-down and drag-out battle to put these beauties in shape. And what you're saving is plenty. Crating, shipping, and assembly labor costs are hammered down by this neat set-it-up-yourself plan, and the saving is passed right straight to you. Each package comes with a detailed instruction sheet and a diagram which gives you a play-by-play description. A few require gluing. You can assemble the others with dowels or screws and (wonders never cease!) "knock 'em down" for moving or storage.

Tops in design, they're durable, too. Precision-engineered for years of stress and strain, you can even count on some of these pieces to take the rough-and-tumble of outdoor living. Much of it comes in plywood in a variety of handsome finishes, or you can apply the finish you want. You can buy Knock-Downs in retail stores or by mail order. But don't forget—you put it together with your own hands.

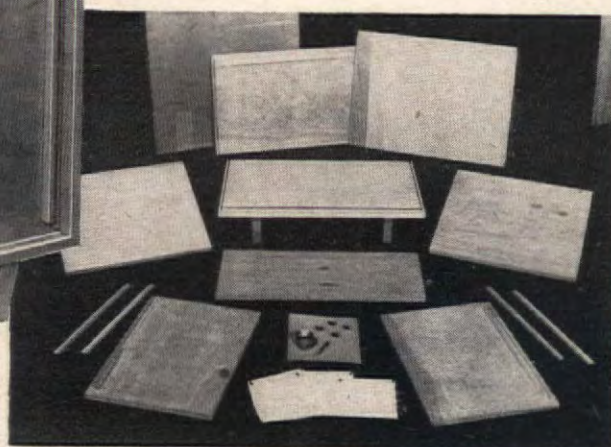
Seventeen Klaus Grabe models come in cartons with everything you need. Smoothly sanded birch plywood parts are cut to exact size and shape. Webbed chair is 20 by 28 and 31 inches high, \$14.95. End table is 36 by 18 and 24 inches high, \$24.95

Frames and legs of T. Baumritter's Vikon chair are of hardwood; seat springs, corner blocks, flanged brace and pins to affix legs are of steel. Vinylite plastic cover comes in six colors. 20½ by 21½ and 30½ inches high, it sells for about \$10.00





# ...and Save!



No tools needed. Just glue and glide a butterfly spline into place to assemble Walter E. Blum's solid maple chests and cabinets. Legs for tables and desk come preassembled. Bookcase, 30 by 10½ and 28 inches high is \$16.00. Other pieces shown, 30 by 18 and 28 inches high: chest, \$42.00; cabinet, \$36.00. Instructions included for different types of wood finishes



Dinette-size chair (\$19.95) of rattan and heavy woven cane; 36-inch table of rattan and mahogany weldwood (\$29.95). Packaged by Pakitan

Chair supports come in 5 finishes; plastic cushions in 5 colors. Ten screws with lock washers make assembly simple. This Robert Mayer Design about \$15.00



Wall cabinet (right), priced at \$34.95 is 78 inches long to fit over 75-inch webbed couch bed base (\$27.75 for 30-inch width and \$29.95 for 39-inch). Foam rubber mattresses available. Coffee table 20 by 48 and 14 inches high, \$17.95. Klaus Grabe designs





# A Collector Lives Here



Photographs by Nowell Ward



Nearly one hundred years old, early Victorian in design, with white clapboard exterior, beautifully set against heavily wooded background

The minute the Paul E. Fischers laid eyes on this mellow, memory-provoking house in Evanston, they knew they wouldn't have to look any more. It seemed as though it had been built for them, planned for their collections of Early American and Victorian antiques. And that's just how it turned out!

Every piece the Fischers own is authentic. Most of their collection is either Victorian or Early American. Now there are many people who collect genuine antiques, but the thing which makes this delightful house so thrilling to enter is that everything in it has been collected with great care for beauty and authenticity. The entire collection reflects such care.

When they moved in, they did very little to the exterior. A coat of heavy white paint, potted geraniums decking the front steps, and a pair of carriage lamps on each side of the door—that's all they added. But the minute you step into the front parlor, if you know your antiques, you tingle with excitement! The floral Brussels carpet, white lace curtains, handsome white marble fireplace—these are but the background, the frame, for fine rosewood armchairs, an old spinet

piano, Victorian side table with still life under a glass dome, a whatnot with objets d'art.

You'd love the living room back of the parlor. It's informal, cheerful, was made from several small rooms. Walls are forest green, woodwork and fireplace white, matching white ruffled marquisette curtains. Everything here is fine—and many colors are blended into a picture of great beauty. Especially fascinating is the mammy bench at the right, with its own patch-work cover. The clock on the mantel is a hundred years old, has wooden works which still keep perfect time!

Everything in the dining room, except the walls, is a collector's item. The maple drop-leaf table, cherry server, early Windsor maple side chair, and cherry corner cabinet—irresistible beauties every one! The floral rug is hand-hooked, and the china and crystal fixture is from Mrs. Fischer's grandmother's house. That is something even the most antique-wise visitor o-o-h's and ah's about!

Upstairs, the guest bedroom uses a lot of gingham, which fits in perfectly with the furniture. Blue-and-white gingham curtains, dressing-table skirt, dust-ruffle

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Early American influence is recognizable in the informal living room with its dark green walls, beautiful antiques, and fine old pieces, including the mammy bench and quilt on the right. The dining room is a storehouse of authentic pieces. Crystal and china fixture is a treasure

This formal parlor is a collector's dream! Old spinet piano, Brussels carpet, marble fireplace with black iron portal, beautiful rosewood armchairs and rocker—all Victoriana. Guest bedroom is charming with gingham, large rag rug, hand-crocheted spread, provincial paper





# Please pass the Nasturtiums!



Drawings by Margaret Nielsen

Data by Susan R. Morton  
and E. B. Dykes Beachy

Sound strange to be talking about nasturtium sandwiches and pansy or carnation jelly? Believe it or not, years ago the subtle flavor and tantalizing suggestion of rose petals, carnation buds, violets, and nasturtium pods were just as common with our ancestors as herbs are today. We've been through old-time files and grandmother's cookbooks to find a few recipes for today's use. The ones we've chosen add personality to a meal, will make your guests sit up and take notice!

Nasturtiums, marigolds, peonies, carnations, pansies, roses, and many other flowers are among the many which may be used in preparing syrups, candies, and salads. Leaves, stems, and seeds have uses too, many of them may be dried and crumbled and sprinkled over soups and salads. The flavors are much more subtle than those of herbs and spices to which we are accustomed . . . though a few are

sired. Stems and young leaves are eaten in sandwiches and salads and may be chopped and added to tomato juice, pickles, or mustard pickle. The blossoms may be used in salads or as garnishes for main dishes.

When roses are plentiful, it is nice to crystal-



ize some. They will keep indefinitely if stored in waxed paper in a case or box. They're a fine decoration for desserts or frosting, and especially good for serving in tea; just drop a couple in hot tea and note the delicate bouquet.

Here are a few recipes which will help you bring the flower garden into the kitchen:

**CARNATION OR PANSY SYRUP**  
1½ lbs. of flower heads  
2½ pts. boiling water  
2 lbs. sugar to every pt. water  
1 whole clove

Gather the full-blown flowers and pour the boiling water over them; add clove. Let stand 12 hours, then strain, bring the water to a boil, and add the sugar, then boil until it makes a thin syrup, remove the clove, and it is ready

to bottle and seal. If the entire amount of flowers is not available at one time, they can be added at intervals, letting water come to the boiling point before each addition.

**CRYSTALLIZED VIOLETS AND ROSES**

1½ lbs. sugar  
½ pt. water  
2 cups violets or rose petals

Boil one pound of the sugar and the water until it reaches the "soft ball" stage, or when a ball can be formed by testing between the thumb and finger. Add the violets and stir until they are coated, drain off the syrup and let syrup stand until the next day when the remainder of the sugar is added to the syrup and brought to a boil. When it starts to granulate, add the violets, stirring gently until they are well coated and most of the syrup is absorbed. Drain on waxed paper, and when cool and dry, separate, and store for use.

**APPLE-NASTURTIUM JELLY**

Wash apples, remove stems and blossom ends, quarter. Put in preserving kettle, add cold water to the top of the apples. Cover, cook slowly until apples are soft, mash, drain through a coarse sieve. Avoid squeezing the apples as it makes the jelly cloudy. Allow juice to drip through a double thickness of cheesecloth or jelly bag. Boil juice thus obtained for 20 minutes. Add one pound of sugar to each pint of juice. Stir until the sugar has



melted, then add two or three pounded nasturtium leaves; bring to the boiling point and boil rapidly about four minutes. Skim if necessary. Put in a little green coloring. Remove the leaves. Place a fresh nasturtium leaf in the bottom of each jelly glass. Turn mixture into glasses. When cool, seal.

**NASTURTIUM SALAD**

Mix tiny nasturtium leaves with cress, thyme, and other favorites in your herb garden.

**NASTURTIUM SANDWICHES**

Lay young nasturtium leaves on buttered bread; dress with mayonnaise; add top slice.



surprising. Don't miss the excitement of nasturtiums, with their pungent, heady odor and sharp, biting taste. The tender young pods may be eaten raw or pickled; or they may be used as a substitute for capers in sauces, salads, or in any dish where a peppery, spicy taste is de-





Photograph by F. M. Demarest

# Conversation Pieces

**T**his summer give your hostess an even break! After you've said farewell, and the visit becomes a happy memory, give your imagination an airing and see what you can come up with in the form of a thank-you gift.

The standard up to now seems to have been a bottle of cologne, a best-seller, or the fattening box of chocolates. But with a little thought and a minimum of expense, you can send her your thanks with the zaniest, most irresistible salts and peppers you've ever seen. Both practical and pretty, they're enormously effective as conversation pieces, and they're the kind of gift that make you long remembered as a house guest with exceptional taste.

Most of them are ceramic and fall happily into the dollar-gift bracket. Others, more elegant in design, are a little more expensive. But all were tailored to fit a slender purse.

After a week end with the cows and chickens, let Mrs. Country Hostess know you had lots of fun by sending her a baleful Bossie gazing at a white milk can (\$1), a tiny bright green frog hiding from the limelight under a sassy toadstool (\$1), a pair of wriggling caterpillars

(\$1), an old-fashioned water pump with the oaken bucket (\$1), two love-birds cooing from nest (\$1), a fried egg and frying pan (\$1), a pair of huge-beaked mynah birds fashioned with flair for a disciple of Modern (\$4.50). And, to the hostess west of the Rockies, a covered wagon with a pair of oxen would be wonderfully nostalgic (\$1).

Athletic week ends, spent between the bowling alley and the baseball field, call for a good-humored jab like a black ceramic bowling ball with a white bowling pin (\$1), or a pigskin brown baseball mitt holding a life-like baseball (\$1). If it was a seashore visit, send a pair of dolphins done in caricature (\$1).

On the more serious side, a solid walnut

pepper grinder is banded with white ceramic, hand-painted in delft blue with a Dutch landscape (\$8.95). Pink moss roses painted on a white ground girdle pepper grinder and matching salt shaker (\$8.50). Reproductions of colonial tankards in pottery are decorated with a peasant design (\$1.10 each).

Apart from their originality and good sense as a hostess gift, salts and peppers are fun to collect, and you have an infinite field to choose from. Start now and, by this time next year, you'll have the whole town talking!

Numbers 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 from Greenland Studios. 2 from Dusso. 3 from Unity Southall, Ltd. 6 from Old Thompson. 9 from Metlox Manufacturing Co.



A glorious setting for the Glorious Fourth—so good-looking nobody'll believe how little it cost or that you did it all yourself. Your guests will give you three cheers and a hip-hooray!

Everything in this stunning table setting is made of paper—except the silverware! You make it yourself, mostly from crepe paper, and you'll have a razzle-dazzle setting for the most talked-about July party in your town. Here's how to reproduce the decorations you see here: First of all, you'll need two folds each of red, white, and blue crepe paper; one sheet each of red, white, and blue mat stock (a sort of cardboard which you buy at art stores); 1 spool of #2 wire; 1 box of #5 silver stars; a box 5 in. square; beverage cups  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. high,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. across; candleholders; paste.

For the Uncle Sam hat, cut 2 hats (Fig. 1) from white stock. Paste 4 strips red stock  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in. wide, 5 in. long, on both sides of each hat as shown on pattern, or two red and two blue strips as shown in picture. Now stretch two 8-in. squares of blue crepe paper, shaped according to blue field on hat pattern. Put paste over lower part of each hat; lay blue paper on top. Decorate with silver stars. For ruffles, cut a 4-in. strip the entire length of a blue crepe fold and gather one edge on a sewing machine or by hand. Starting  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. from top, paste the stitched edge of blue ruffle around the box, gathered part underneath. Add a white ruffle under the blue, a red ruffle under the white. Red ruffle will be flush with the bottom of the box. Cover bottom stitching with narrow red crepe paper. Fasten hats on opposite sides of box.

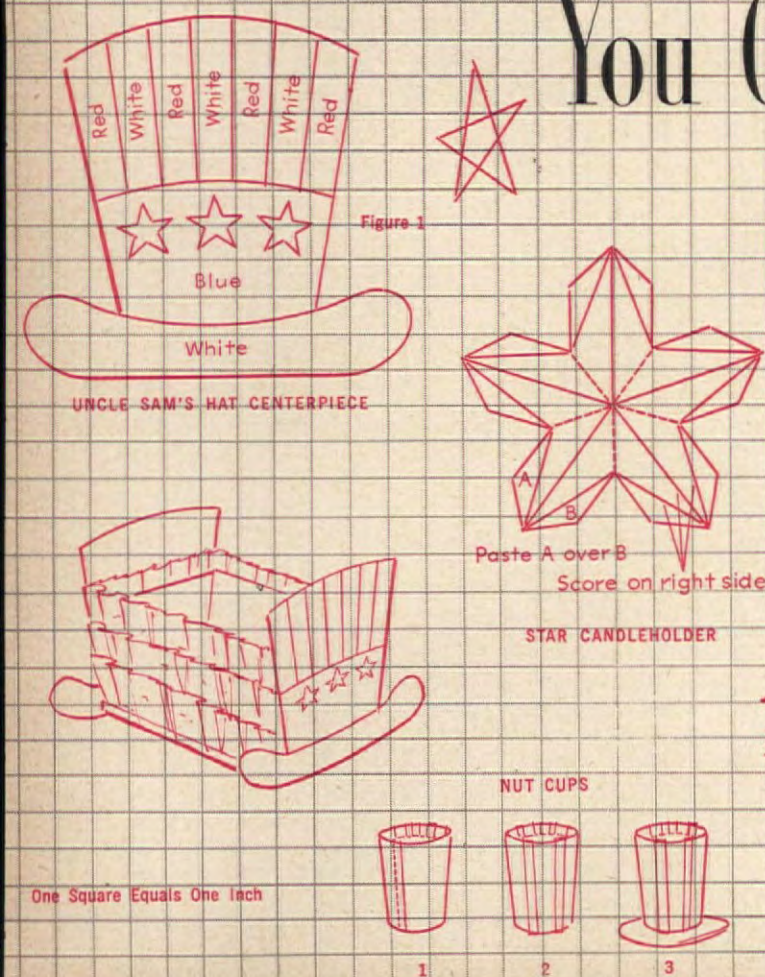
For nut cups, cut a strip of white crepe paper  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide across the grain. Paste one short edge, attach it vertically to the outside of the cup, starting at the bottom, and stretch it around, cutting off the excess and pasting the ends together. The top of the paper, which will not be stretched, will turn in over the lip of the cup automatically. Now cut a strip of red crepe across grain  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. wide. Put a dab of paste on the in-

## You Can Make Everything but the Fireworks!

side edge of the white paper in the cup, attach the tip of the red strip to it, and bring the rest of the red strip over the lip of the cup, down the side and under, securing it with paste. Make as many stripes as you wish, then cut a circle of blue mat stock 3 in. in diameter, paste the cup to the center of it. When dry, roll side edges slightly to resemble a brim.

For the Star Candleholder, trace a star pattern on red stock. On the top side, score all solid lines shown, and bend on these lines. Turn over, and score dotted lines which are on the pattern. Bend on these lines, which are opposite in direction to the first lines. Paste flap A on flap B to hold star in shape. Paste two stars together on four points, using paper clips until dry. Cut a 4-in. strip of blue crepe paper, using the entire fold, measure 30 in., and cut off. Gather it lengthwise through center, cover small candle tube with blue crepe  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide, turn top down, tie ruffle around this base. Make second ruffle just like first and place right above it. Place candle in holder and slip star over it. . . . Have a good time!

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heap the gleaming consommé in cups.







# Kitchen Door Dinner

**C**ast your eyes on this beautiful, bountiful spread! It's an extra-dazzler for hot summer months, can be prepared on either side of the kitchen door, in the oven or on your outdoor barbecue. The cold soup (a masterpiece) is readied hours before and stored in the refrigerator to blend and chill, while the fruit-filled melon, frosty and delicious, may be prepared with very little effort, simplifying your last-minute activities.

We've named our headliner "Persian Barbecue," because while it consists of good old American ingredients, we've done a little this and that to it to give an unusual effect. And those roasting ears of corn! That's one thing we'll never give back to the Indians!

Let's start with the soup, which needs no cooking. It came from Portugal. We changed its name from Gazpacho to Salad Soup when it showed up on our table. This is because, like so many of our salads, the recipe starts thus: "rub a bowl with garlic." Although we've planned it for our dinner menu, it could certainly make a fine luncheon main dish, served with crusty, crunchy bread, cheese, hot or iced tea, and a fruity or frothy pudding dessert. The recipe is on the following page, and once you've tried it you'll be mighty glad you did! It takes about three hours to ripen in the refrigerator.

The dessert on the menu is not only good to look at, but extra good for you, too, since it's made of chilled fruits of the season piled into Melon Boats, either by the individual diner or served as we've shown, without china, just

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## MENU

### Gazpacho

Persian Barbecue      Barbecue Sauce

Oven-Roasted Corn in Husks

Fruit-Filled Honeydew

Iced Coffee

Barbecue: Eclipse, Gotham Gifts  
Soup Bowl: Epicure, Shenango Pottery Co.  
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# Cooking Outdoors ?

take along the most useful cleanser there is!



**BARBECUES**—S.O.S. easily cleans barbecue grills, no matter how greasy or crusted, meat tongs, long-handled forks, grill spits, fire cones (both inside and outside), warming plates, coffee pots.



**CAMPING**—S.O.S. quickly cleans crusted grills, smoked-up utensils, greasy fry-pans, spatulas, cooking knives and spoons, reflector ovens, pots in which food has cooked hard to the bottom.

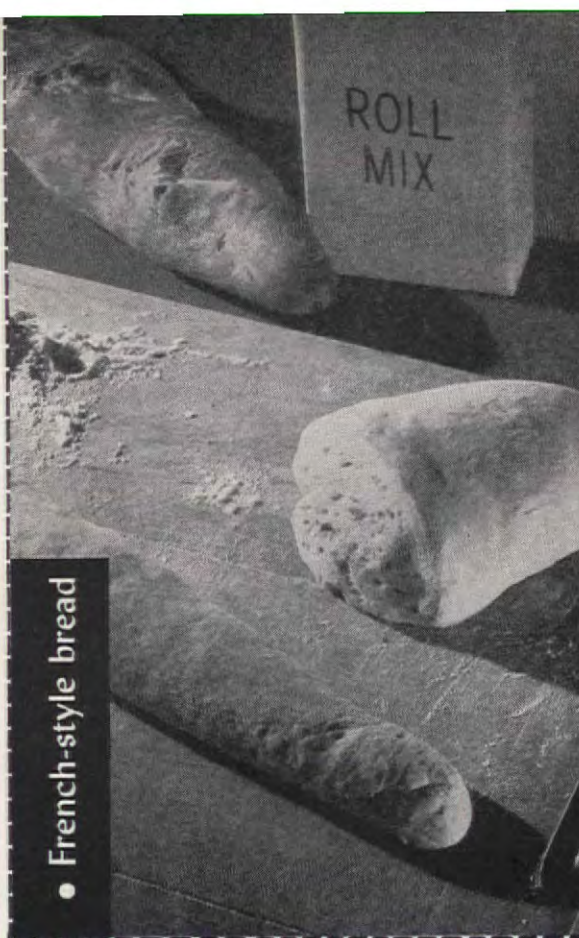


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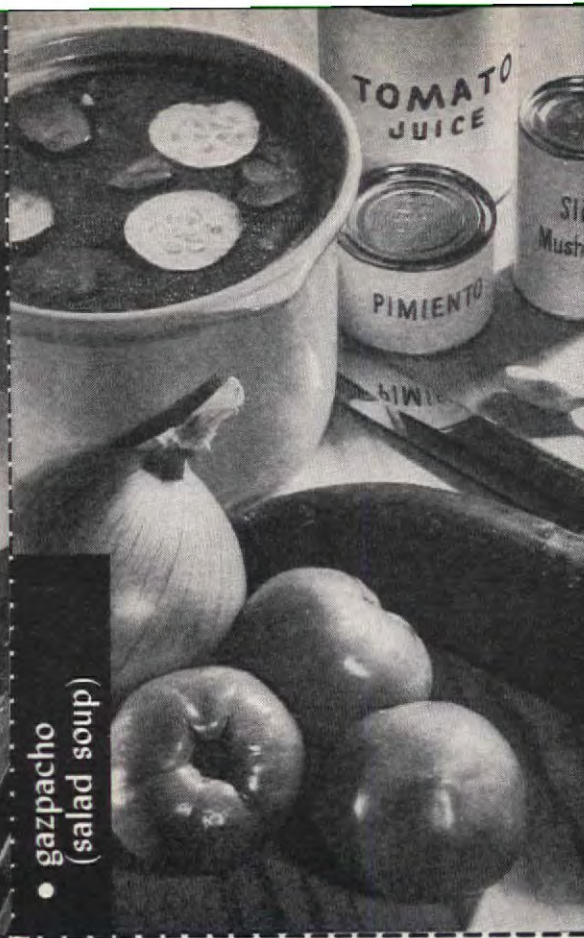
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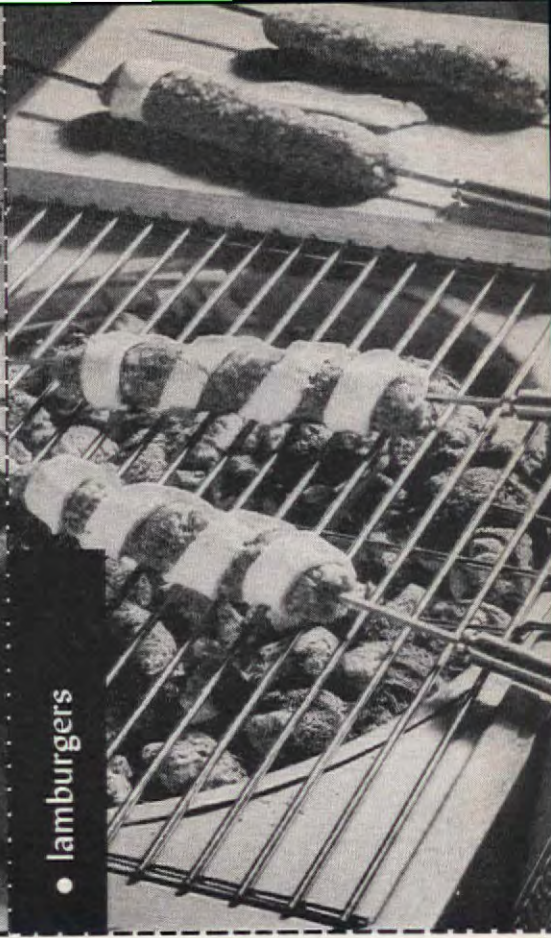




• French-style bread



• gazpacho  
(salad soup)



• lambburgers

## Kitchen Door Dinner

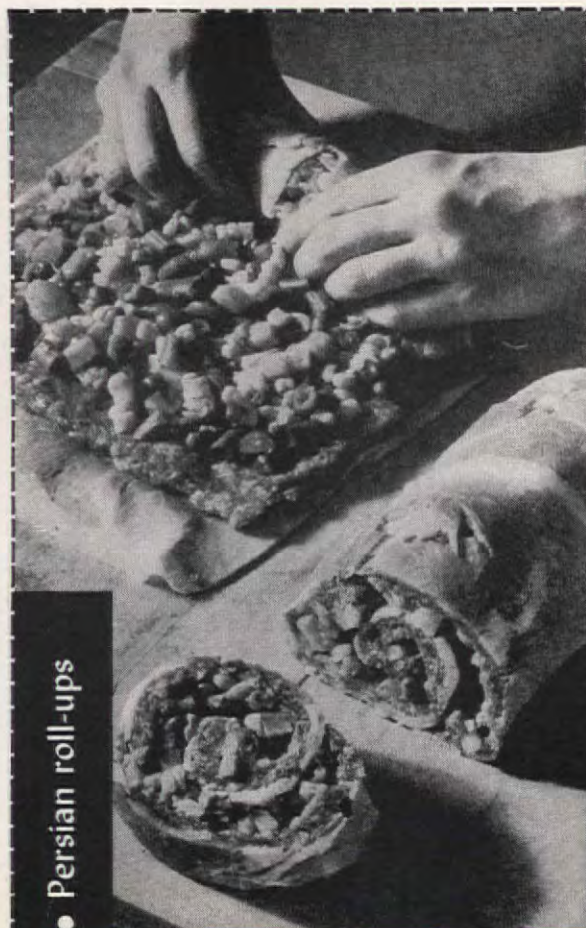
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held in the hand and eaten just as our way-back forebears did.

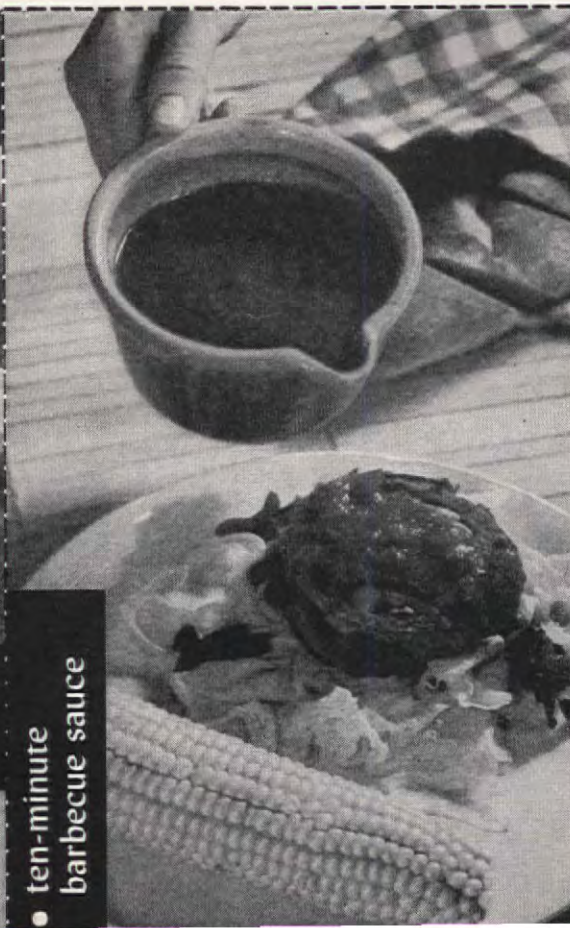
Now for the Persian Barbecue. The main ingredient is lamb, but the treatment is out of this Western world right into the Orient. Lamburgers fixed like kabobs and Persian Roll-ups prepared in a most unusual way. They're made of ground lamb, lightly kissed

by a clove of garlic, enclosing mixed vegetables, and circled by boiled ham. These Roll-ups may be broiled or pan-fried, they cook very quickly, and are served literally drenched with our own version of a spicy barbecue sauce, which takes only ten minutes to make. This sauce is versatile in the bargain, since you may either use ketchup or tomato sauce as the main ingredient.

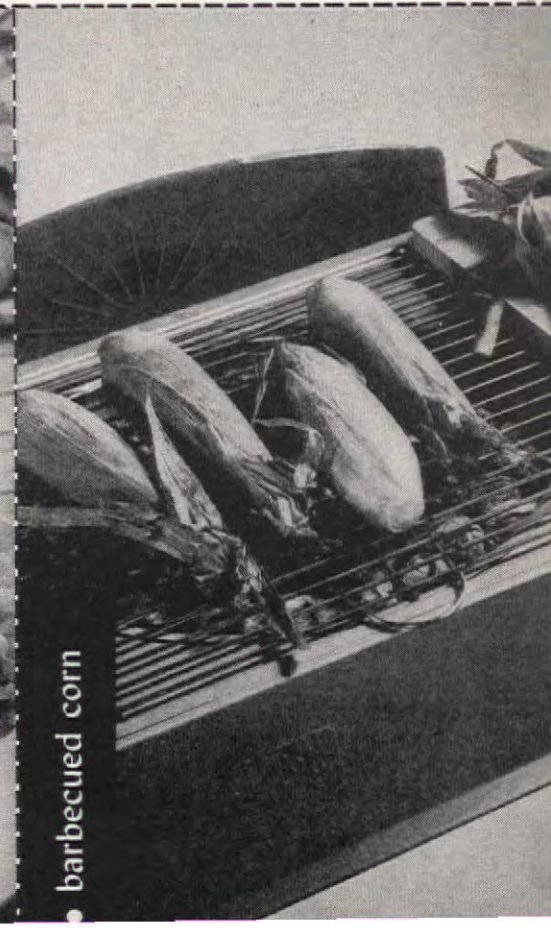
Lamburgers are a sort of fancy kabob. We use skewers, but smooth, rounded sticks will do as well. Ground lamb is packed closely around each skewer and partially broiled. You'll find it stays on the skewers easily. Biscuit dough is rolled and cut into



• Persian roll-ups



• ten-minute  
barbecue sauce



• barbecued corn



## barbecued corn

Preparation time: ½-1 hr.

**R**emove top silk from roasting ears, gently start to loosen the husk down to the kernels. Soak for about 10 minutes in water (pan of it or a nearby stream will do). Drain some of the excess water off the ears before placing over hot coals or directly on low-burning coals. Turn occasionally to keep from burning and cook for about 20-30 minutes. (Corn can be roasted in the kitchen range oven at a moderately hot temperature of 400°F. for about 45-60 minutes.) Remove from fire or oven and peel back husks and silk. Wrap husk ends in a paper napkin to hold more easily when eating corn.

About 100 cal. per serving

Source of Thiamine, Riboflavin, Niacin, Phosphorus

Tested in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN

## ten-minute barbecue sauce

Preparation time: 15 min.

2 tbs. butter or margarine  
⅓ cup chopped onion  
1 cup ketchup or 1 small can Spanish-style tomato sauce  
½ cup water

¼ cup vinegar  
2 tbs. brown sugar  
2 tbs. prepared mustard  
1 tbs. Worcestershire sauce  
Few grains of salt

**M**elt butter or margarine in saucepan and sauté onion. Add remaining ingredients, cover and cook over low heat for about 10 minutes.

Makes 2 cups About 80 cal. per serving Source of vitamins A and D

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## Persian roll-ups

Preparation time: 2-3 hrs.

6 slices boiled ham  
1 lb. ground lamb  
1 clove garlic  
Dash of salt and pepper

2 cups drained mixed vegetables (fresh, frozen or canned)  
Shredded salad greens

**O**verlap slices of ham to form a rectangle about 9 x 15 inches on a length of waxed paper. Spread ground lamb over the ham and rub surface with cut clove of garlic and season. Arrange the mixed vegetables and spread nearly to the edges of the meat rectangle. Roll meat and vegetable mixture lengthwise and wrap in the waxed paper. Refrigerate for 2 hours, or long enough to be thoroughly chilled for slicing. Cut into 6 or 8 slices, and if necessary, hold slices together by toothpicks while broiling or pan frying. Cook for about 7 minutes on each cut surface. Place cooked roll-ups on bed of shredded greens and serve with hot spicy barbecue sauce.

Note: Ground beef may be substituted for the lamb; bacon may be substituted for the ham.

Serves 6-8 300 cal. per serving Source of Protein, B Complex

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## lamburgers

Preparation time: 30 min.

1 lb. ground lamb  
1 egg  
½ tsp. salt

Dash of pepper  
1 cup biscuit mix  
¼ cup milk

1 tbs. minced onion  
1 tbs. minced green pepper  
1 tbs. minced pimiento

**M**ix ground lamb, egg, and seasonings. Keep well refrigerated until ready to cook. Combine biscuit mix with milk, place on floured board and roll out into rectangle about ⅛ inch thick. Spread half the rectangle with a combination of onion, green pepper, and pimiento; fold unsprayed half over top and lightly roll dough with rolling pin. Cut into long strips about 1 inch wide. (These may be made about an hour in advance of cooking.)

To broil the lamburgers: press small portions of lamb mixture firmly on a metal skewer to form a roll about 6 inches long and 1½ inches in diameter. Partially cook over hot coals or under the broiler for about 5 minutes. Spirally and loosely wrap the biscuit strips around them and continue to cook for another 10 minutes turning frequently. (The lamburgers can be done in a hot oven, 450°F.)

Serves 6-8 About 110 cal. per serving Source of Protein, B Complex

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## gaspacho (salad soup)

Preparation time: 3 hrs.

1 clove garlic  
3 tomatoes  
1 cucumber  
½ sweet onion  
1 can pimientos  
1 small can sliced mushrooms

Freshly ground pepper  
½ tsp. salt  
2 tbs. olive oil  
1 tbs. white vinegar  
1 can tomato juice

**S**elect a tureen that will fit into your refrigerator. Rub inside of tureen with peeled garlic. Dice and combine unpeeled tomatoes and cucumbers, onion, pimientos, and mushrooms. In the tureen mix chopped vegetables, seasonings, oil and vinegar as you would for a salad; add tomato juice. Refrigerate and allow to ripen for 3 hours. Serve very cold.

Serves 4-6 for soup 85 cal. per serving Source of Calcium, Phosphorus, Vitamins A and D, C, Thiamine and Riboflavin

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## French-style bread

Preparation time: 3 hrs.

1 pkg. dry yeast  
1 cup lukewarm water  
1 tsp. sugar

½ tsp. salt  
3 cups all-purpose flour

For glaze:  
1 tsp. cornstarch  
1 tsp. sugar  
1 tbs. cold water

**S**tir and dissolve yeast, sugar, and salt in lukewarm water. Hollow out center of flour in mixing bowl and add liquid mixture, stir and work into dough. Empty dough into a well-greased bowl; turn over so that greased area is up, cover and let stand in warm place until double in bulk. Toss out on floured board, knead, and return to a greased bowl to rise again. Turn out on floured board and divide dough, roll by hand into loaves, tapered at the ends, and 3 inches wide by 15 inches long. Brush with butter or margarine. Let rise and with a sharp knife gash top in 3 places. Bake in moderately hot oven (400°F.) for 15 minutes; remove and, for crisp crust, brush with glaze (combination of cornstarch, sugar, and water). Return to oven and continue to bake for 20 minutes or until the desired brown.

To use packaged roll mix, follow above directions, but decrease water to ½ cup.

Makes 2 loaves 625 cal. per loaf Source of B Complex

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## Kitchen Door Dinner

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strips (see recipe), then wound spirally around the kabobs and the whole thing is broiled over hot coals or baked in the oven.

We've given you our new recipe for French-style bread. To prepare this bread in the traditional way is somewhat difficult to accomplish, since it requires a special oven for steaming in order to get that desired crusty exterior. Our modernized version omits the steaming process. But we're sure that it will please you.

Or you may use hot-roll mix and make this French-style bread—just make a minor adjustment in our recipe (see recipe card).

Now for the corn! Everybody has his own particular way, it seems, for fixing corn-on-the-cob, but we've made a little research and this is the most popular way to do roasting ears, with a respectful nod to all corn cooks. Opinions vary, it's true, about using salted or unsalted water, the exact length of cooking time, and all these different opinions we'll respect. But this recipe is the one most of you prefer. After all, the important thing is to get the corn from the field as fresh as possible, have the heat just right—and please, plenty of corn for everybody!



# Low-down on a hoe-down



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## ISABEL MONTGOMERY

If you give a dinner and you have time on your hands and enough money to by-pass thrift, you can concoct a delectable menu, shop at leisure, and pick up the best of this and that at four or five favorite market spots—you can do it easily. But if you are the average young housewife, your husband has the car and you can't market when and where you would like to. You have to be back to feed the baby at 2:15. What's more, you don't have the money for whims and fancies. But don't worry! If you have the knack of cooking food without the slightest suggestion of the hackneyed, you can toss a "colossal" meal, too.

How many times have I been told: "You young people have such excellent food, your table is always stunning, and you have such fun at your gatherings, and yet, the whole thing costs you half of what a dinner costs me."

Sure, the food costs less. It has to and, because it has to, it does. We young homemakers today have something of our great-great-grandmothers in us. The difference being—we have learned common sense in the kitchen through the emergency of a high cost of living. The great-greats did it from habit. We have something in common with them.

Granted, there is nothing more tempting to red-meat eaters than a grilled



Red Guatemalan tablecloth peeps up the simplest food. If you're hungry, don't look at the big picture, or that beautiful roasting corn. The mastermind in the plaid shirt says his way is the best to fix roasting ears, and by the way they disappeared he certainly proved his point!





Dancing off the dinner! We "skip-to-my-Lou" and "doe-zee-doe" every time we get a chance to round up a few square-dance fiends. It's good exercise. The boys start off feeling silly and wind up dancing their feet off. The terrace has been stripped of sod and covered with pea gravel, firmly tamped. We spend a few minutes congratulating each other before saying good night

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or charcoal-broiled tenderloin steak or a T-bone (you say which), or nothing so gratifying to purchase, have stashed away in the refrigerator, or eat as a handsome, prime rib roast, but they are priceless commodities when you think of entertaining eight or ten. When a young housewife buys a prime rib today, she counts on one hand the number of meals it will last.

We like to entertain eight or ten for barbecue dinner—eight, at least, as we must have enough people for square dancing afterward. Eight or ten tenderloin steaks would capsize the budget, and yet—ruddy, barbecued beef we must, and we shall, have.

If you trouble to find out about it, there is an array of proven lusties that will disappear like Arabs' tents when they are set before the most fastidious prime-meat men. They are the cruder, more plentiful cuts, but the odd thing is, they are meat cuts that have been famous from time on in civilized European countries. They actually are chosen by some connoisseurs for their juicy flavor as well as nourishment.

Recently at a barbecue we served one of these less costly meat cuts, lean cross ribs. We've served them before, and there is never enough left to get a tail wag out of Bia, the boxer. One word of warning though—know your butcher and be certain you get what you ask for. They are, in case you don't know—I didn't a year ago—from the forequarter of beef, out of the cut called chuck or shoulder, opposite the round bone roast. For some reason unknown to me, cross ribs are not shown on the average cookbook chart, but don't let that discourage you. They are quite lean, and must be barbecued slowly for 30 minutes over a fire that has been started early and burned down to a bed of coals. Each cross rib is cut 2 to 2½ inches thick, and since the butcher usually cracks the center bone, each cross rib may be divided and is then a sufficient portion for two—except, of course, for the double-barreled appetites.

With cross ribs, we served barbecued corn in the husks; green salad; cold marinated asparagus; French sour-dough bread, split lengthwise, spread with soft butter flavored with garlic, toasted at the last minute and cut into chunks; coffee, iced tea.

There are several ways to prepare and cook cross ribs. They may be marinated for at least four hours

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Pommes de terre—and how!



# Good Victuals

JEAN AUSTIN



**FOR YOU, SIR,** the eternal triangle—steak, potatoes, and apple pie—but with a difference! Small differences in technique, tremendous difference in result. The steak thick, juicy, and spicy with barbecue sauce and a whiff of garlic; the potatoes mashed with zucchini or squash, the pale golden fluffy mass topped with thick whipped cream and grated cheese used with a heavy hand over it all. If you think good mashed potatoes can't be beaten, don't try this dish. You'll not only let out the belt a notch or two, but you'll never go back to "plain mashed" again. If you're watching calories, it's *verboten*. And what's to beat a good apple pie? This one—with the cheese right in the crust, smelling out of this world while it cooks, a bedding of mashed pears to make the apples taste better than apples ever dared taste alone. If you're unorthodox about your triangles—substitute a raisin pie cooked in honey and orange juice for the apple. Or do what we did—have a piece of both. And this concludes our he-man fare for July, a hot and torrid month, but never too hot to eat.

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Apple or raisin—or both?





## Vera's hors d'oeuvres

**RIBBON SANDWICHES:** Spread 3 thin slices of bread with softened butter. Spread first slice with sardine paste made as follows: Drain oil from can of sardines. Crush, mix with enough mayonnaise to make firm paste,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. lemon juice, salt.

Place second slice on this and spread with cheese mixture as follows: 2 packages cream cheese (room temperature but not softened with cream). 1 bunch watercress, chopped and mixed with cheese. Chopped pimiento for coloring (can be taken from stuffed olives).

Place third slice on top as cover, buttered side down. Trim crusts.

### Variation:

Cover first slice with pieces of smoked salmon. Place second slice on this, spread with egg paste (hard-boiled egg yolks pressed through sieve and mixed with enough butter to soften). Place third slice on top as cover, buttered side down. Firm together with hands. When ready to use, cut horizontally through center, then three vertical cuts. Makes eight pieces.

**To store:** Wrap several sandwiches together in waxed paper, cover with moistened paper toweling, then aluminum foil. Will keep fresh in refrigerator as long as 2 or 3 days.

### PINWHEELS:

**Dill, Egg, and Salmon:** Trim crust from unsliced loaf of bread, cut into 6 slices, lengthwise. Spread with butter softened to room temperature.

Egg paste filling—Press hard-boiled egg yolks through sieve, mix with soft butter to spreading consistency, salt to taste. Salmon filling—Smoked sliced salmon. Dill filling—Cut

fresh dill with scissors,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch lengths. Spread egg paste thickly across narrow end of slice, then salmon slices, then dill. Repeat salmon and dill, last inch buttered only, so that slice will be secure when rolled. Roll from end on which egg paste has been spread, carefully, as compactly as possible. Roll in wax paper. Twist ends to make air tight. Press roll together lightly to even shape.

**Olive, Cream Cheese, and Watercress:** Remove tip end from 4 stuffed olives. Place lengthwise across narrow end of slice. Spread next section with cream cheese, softened to room temperature but not softened with cream, and chopped watercress. Butter last inch so slice is secure when rolled. Sprinkle with salt. Roll.

**To store:** Wrap in waxed paper, cover with moistened paper toweling, then aluminum foil. Store in refrigerator. When ready to use, slice with very sharp knife. One slice makes 5 or 6 pinwheels, one loaf of bread 30-35 pieces.

**Ham rolls:** Spread a slice of boiled ham, cut thick enough to roll, with cream cheese seasoned with horseradish and a little salt. Roll firmly, slice into rounds  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch or more thick. Serve on toothpick. One slice makes 5 or 6 rounds.

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**FOR YOU, MADAM,** as choice a secret as you'll ever pry out of a swell cook—Vera's hors d'oeuvres that would make a French chef throw down his fluted hat and stamp on it, livid with envy. Not just beautiful, mind you, but hors d'oeuvres that *taste* good, that can be made on Friday and come forth fresh as a daisy for Sunday's company. Usually I detest hors d'oeuvres, I've been fooled too often into thinking they'd taste good, too. But more than anything I detest making them. But these, ma'am, are quite a different story. They are not in your hair and all over the counter top when you are far too busy to bother with them. And, if we don't get a carload of thank-you letters for this heaven-sent gift to host-

## pommes de terre célestes

(Translation: heaven-born potatoes)

**B**oil potatoes in salted water. Drain thoroughly, return to low flame.

Add warm milk in which butter has been melted, one whole egg,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. nutmeg, salt and pepper to taste.

Beat vigorously, working always over low flame. Beat to state of chiffon texture, or until arm loosens from torso.

Fold in  $\frac{1}{2}$  as much hot, cooked, seasoned and mashed zucchini or  $\frac{1}{4}$  as much hot, cooked, seasoned and mashed yellow turnip or squash as potato mixture. Do not increase proportions as the additional mixture should be very subtle and not overpower potatoes. Pour into greased casserole. Cover with very stiffly whipped cream seasoned only with salt ( $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. to half pint).

Top with grated cheese.

Slide under broiler and watch every second—too long a stay melts cream!

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**Variation to serve with chicken:** Substitute mashed bananas and a breath of sherry for the zucchini, turnip, or squash. Equally rich, fattening—and elegant eating.

## steak sauces

**The Kronthals' Barbecue Sauce:** Cover frying pan lightly with olive oil, add lots of garlic salt. Heat on low fire, add  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. of butter, 2 tbs. dry or prepared mustard, mix well while heating. Add a touch of Worcestershire sauce; pour over steak piping hot.

**Mrs. Arthur Fisher's Steak Marinade:** Marinate a thick steak overnight in Bourbon, or Beer—Bourbon preferred.

### My Barbecue Sauce:

Soften with milk 4 tbs. Roquefort or blue cheese.

Add: 1 tsp. Worcestershire

1 tsp. scraped onion pulp

Juice  $\frac{1}{2}$  lemon

Dash Tabasco

Finely chopped sprig thyme, 3 sprigs parsley

Salt and pepper to taste

Shake well with  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup olive oil, 2 tbs. wine vinegar.

## J. A's. apple pie

**T**o your own or ready-mix pie crust dry mixture add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup grated Parmesan type cheese (not processed).

Roll lightly to shape on waxed paper, cover again with waxed paper, roll and chill thoroughly, the longer the better. When ready to use, set out and bring back to room temperature. Line pie plate, cutting even with rim of pan. Brush bottom with egg white beaten with a little cold water. Prevents soggy undercrust.

Put a thin layer of mashed, canned pears (strained of juice), then a quick whiff of light rum but not enough to make pears too wet.

Fill heaping full (center very high) with:

Juicy, tart apples, sliced thin

$\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar, depending on tartness of apples

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

$\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon ground nutmeg

$\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt

Dot generously with butter

Cut incisions in top crust, roll over rolling pin, unroll over filled pie. Trim half inch larger than plate, tuck under lower crust to seal. Crimp with tines of fork or flute between thumb and finger. Brush with cream and sprinkle with sugar—or when almost cooked, take out of oven, brush with melted butter and return to oven to brown.

esses—well, Vera and I shall be pretty disappointed, I can tell you. For these are 3-way hors d'oeuvres. They look good, taste good, keep good. Not run-of-the-mill stuff as you can plainly see. Professional caterers don't turn them out handsomer—and think of the joy of being able to do them days ahead of time, with nothing to do but slice and serve them at the last minute, so fresh, moist and beautiful. It's a secret recipe and I must confess, one not too willingly shared with my good neighbors and even you.

Now that I've adjusted my halo for this magnanimity, let's talk briefly about the raisin pie that isn't there (the recipe, I mean), then get on to boiling a potato. The reason the raisin pie recipe isn't printed is because it is almost an exact duplicate of the very elegant one in our AMERICAN HOME Menu Maker. It's called "Raisin Pie Supreme," and believe me that is not over-rating it one whit. In fact, it's the first raisin pie I ever liked. The orange juice and rind takes away the sticky sweet taste I've always objected to—and you know just from the sound of it that raisins, orange juice, and honey are going to be darned good, don't you? The switch I make in the recipe is to make the paste with lemon juice instead of water. I've found that both white

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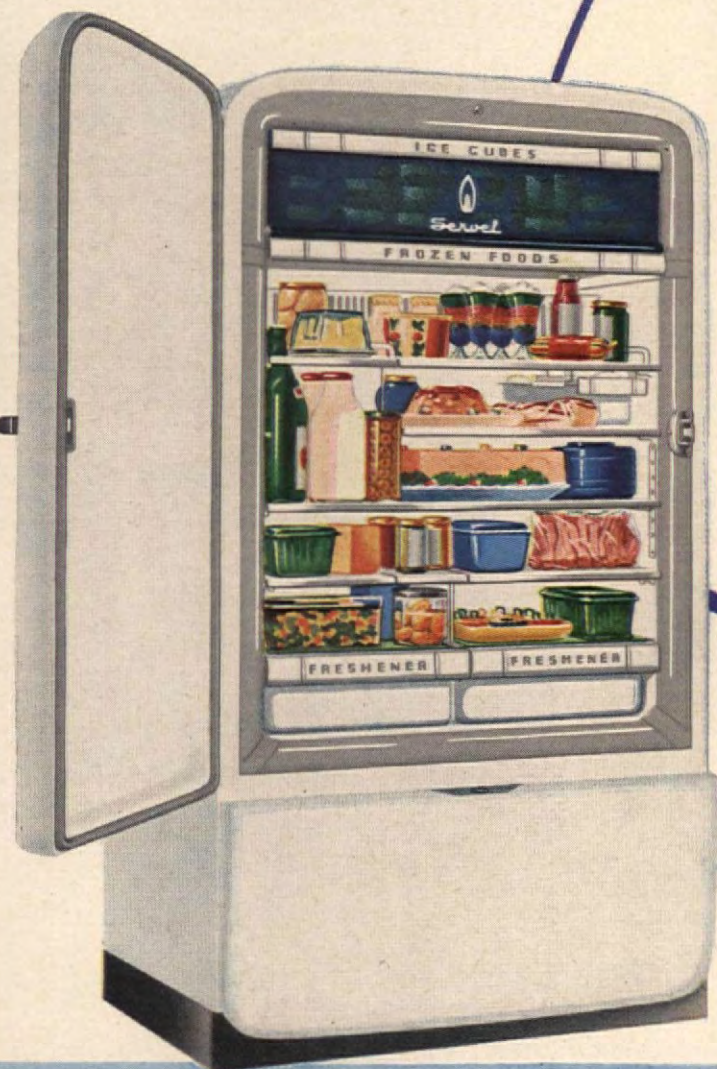
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wine and fruit juices make a pie-mix short and extra good. I also use all the rind of an orange, increase the honey to  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup. And this, as almost every pie in my opinion should be, is served slightly warm, so that all the good smells and bubbling juices are still there.

Do you know how to boil a potato? No offense meant, but very few people do, you know. The potato is allergic to great vats of water. The potato is allergic to cold, lukewarm, or mildly boiling water. It likes to be barely covered and demands a rolling boil when it dives in. After that, they must not boil hard, but neither must they ever cease to boil. Too much water or a temporary cessation of boiling when they go in the pot and you have water-logged potatoes—horrible! If not taken out of water the split second they are cooked, they crack—with despair, I guess. On the other hand, the potato will sometimes turn up soft from old age and lying around in indolence. A long, long tuning up in very cold water revives them beyond belief, so much so in fact, they'll demand the same treatment as young ones.

All simple facts, boiled down (no pun intended)—but the crimes committed in the name of boiled potatoes! I entreat respect for the greatest of all vegetables—the Irish potato. So have a care won't you, if you've been in the habit of tossing them in a pot and ignoring them. Boiled potatoes can be oh-so-good.

Follow your own recipe for apple pie, but just once try it



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with my variations, and see if it isn't a bit superior. The smell of that cheese cooking in the pastry will literally send you, and what the layer of pears does for the apples! Use the rum or not—the difference is very subtle. But to my way of thinking, the delicacy of a smidgen of rum with the pears, plus apples and sugar and spice is something very, very nice.

And here are some of my tricks with pie-mix. They make a world of difference, believe me. Mix and roll lightly to shape on waxed paper. Cover with second piece of waxed paper, roll and chill thoroughly, before lining pie plate for cooking. Brush lower crust with egg white beaten with cold water (prevents soggy lower crusts). Before cooking, brush top crust with cream and sprinkle lightly with sugar or, when nearly cooked, take out of oven and brush top crust with melted butter and return to brown.

Now let's talk steak. The days of cured steaks went out with the war. Hanging means considerable shrinkage in weight and meat was too scarce for such fanciness. It is still high impossible to find, and it behooves us to shop with more know-how, especially for anything as expensive as steak, where the net result depends pretty much on the raw material purchased. I pound the living daylight out of steak with the flat of my cleaver to break down the tissues. Deep freezing does wonders for meat. And of course, rubbing with a damp cloth, not washed under water. I make 3 or 4 incisions and insert a quarter clove of garlic in each, so that they can be seen after cooking and removed before serving. Too much garlic is suicide, none at all unthinkable. My method, the happy medium, far surer than rubbing. A lavish coat of oil, quick searing and slow cooking, and you've done about all that can be done for a steak—except buying wisely.



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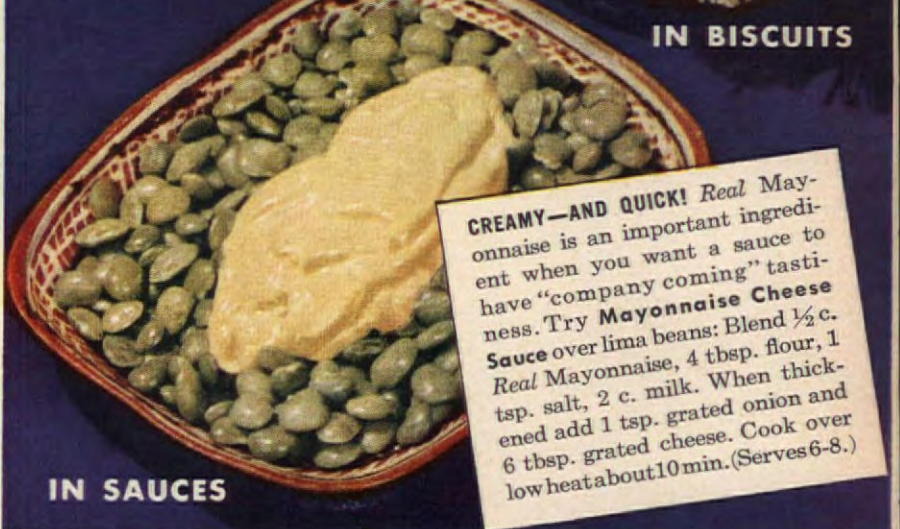
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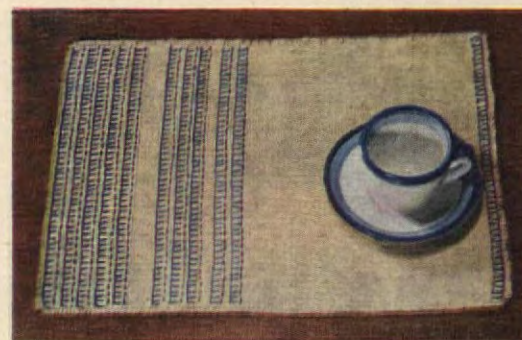
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prior to barbecuing in a mixture made of one pint of red cooking wine (the least expensive) and 6 tablespoons of olive oil into which you drop 1 large chopped garlic clove. (Some say garlic is a "dog-robber's tonic." If you agree, substitute onion, but don't blame me.)

The second method of cooking is not to marinate the meat in advance. Instead, make the following basting liquid:

- 1½ tbs. Worcestershire sauce
- 3 tbs. olive oil
- 1½ tbs. catsup
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1¼ tsp. salt

Just before putting the meat on the barbecue grill, brush the meat on both sides with the above basting liquid. Brush frequently while meat is cooking. This method is based on the old idea that all barbecued meat should be basted while cooking.

In case you have guests who are notoriously ravenous upon arrival and irked by a delayed eating hour, there is one alternative for waiting 30 minutes for the cross ribs to cook. They may be started in the preheated oven of the kitchen stove (oven set at 325°), twenty minutes before the time guests are due, and then transferred to the barbecue grill to finish cooking (15 minutes) when guests are assembled. If this is done, use the basting liquid above, as directed, from the time the cross ribs go into the oven until they are brought out to finish cooking on the outdoor grill.

With the barbecued cross ribs serve a favorite barbecue sauce which is not too hot, but not "blah."

If your butcher has done right by you on the meat, the business of the day will be over when you finish the last bite of ribs and corn. The pangs of hunger will be satisfied, but since the evening is young, you will gladly sit on and relish the salad and munch on the asparagus . . . and maybe some fresh fruit for dessert. (At a barbecue we never have a planned dessert—just a bowl of fresh fruit.) Any more food might ruin the fun of the square dancing which follows.

As to the cost of the meal, cross ribs for ten were less than \$10.00, corn 5 cents an ear. The fun, priceless. Add these items to asparagus (in season), a green salad, French bread, and then, with a gallant laugh admit that a T-bone steak is delicious, but a cross rib barbecue can hold its own in any company!



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## pineapple & fruit cocktail

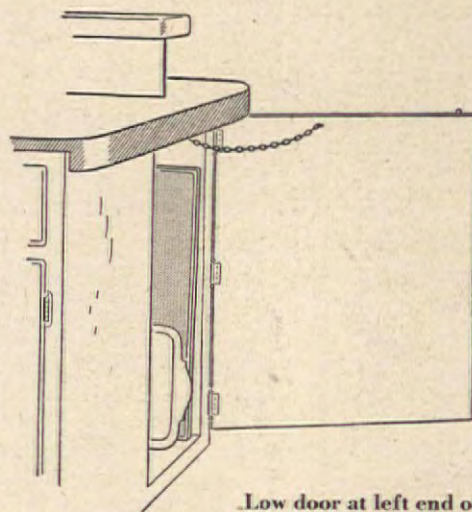
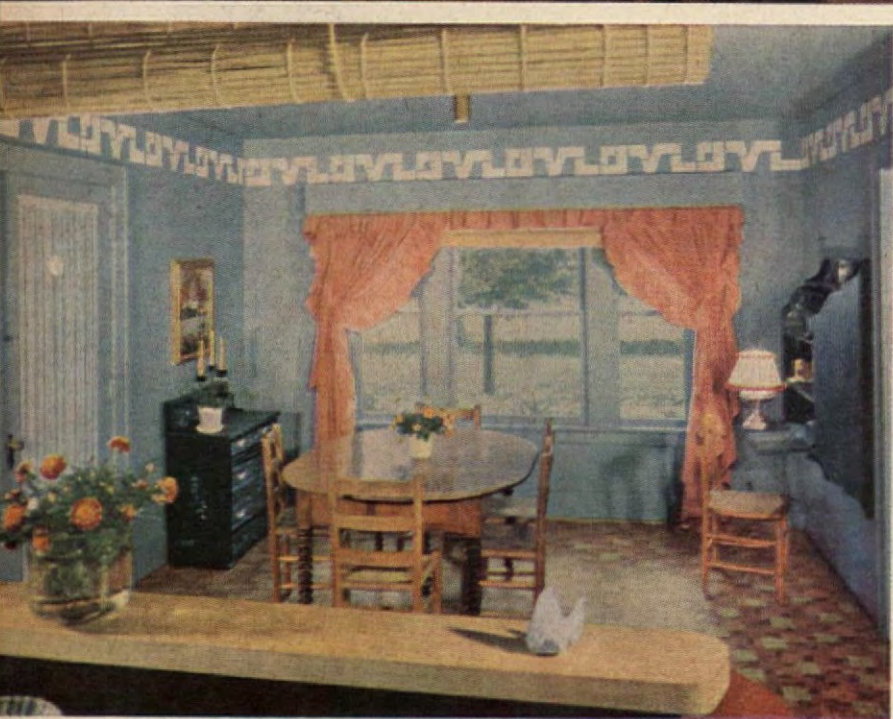


**\*Rainbow Pie**—new DOLE Fruit Cocktail refrigerator dessert! Mix well 1 cup finely crushed cornflakes with 2 tbsp. sugar and 4 tbsp. melted butter. Press into 9" pie pan. Chill well. Soften 1 envelope unflavored gelatine in ¼ cup syrup drained from a No. 2½ can DOLE Fruit Cocktail. Bring remaining syrup to boiling point; add softened gelatine; chill until partially set. Fold in drained fruit; heap in pie shell; chill until set.





Boys are having a field day helping to tear down the wall. Tons of energy were used up, but the work was constructive and at the same time fun. All inconvenience was forgotten after the mess was cleaned up



Low door at left end of counter opens to isolate the kitchen when necessary. Inside the door, under the counter, there is plenty of space for large trays and card tables. Good idea!

What a difference in comfort, space, and appearance! We removed a wall, put a counter and bench in its place, hung a bamboo screen for privacy when desired. Steps are saved, since the food is put on the counter, dishes handed back and forth with no effort whatsoever. Kids are kept within earshot and eyesight. Wonder why we didn't think of it before



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With four small boys under foot all the time, the job was no pushover. But when we took down the wall between the kitchen and dining area, they really had fun helping. All I did was release the studs from the ceiling and re-route some electrical conduits. We ripped the cupboards and old counters out of the kitchen, plastered over one window. First, the counter was installed. Water and gas lines were transferred to the new sink and stove over a week end.

After that we got down to the essentials such as building shelves, cutting in windows, installing a ventilator, making door handles, and laying linoleum. Mind you, all this was done only in spare time. Of course, some of it probably wouldn't meet the requirements of a perfectionist or professional, but everything is just the way we want it, it's convenient, and what more could we ask? Besides which, when we consider that the most conservative estimate we could get was \$1,600, and by our own effort it cost us only \$500 including the dishwasher, we think we're pretty good! An awkward, work-making arrangement has been turned into an attractive, easy-to-manage spot. Mother's happy and all's right with the world!



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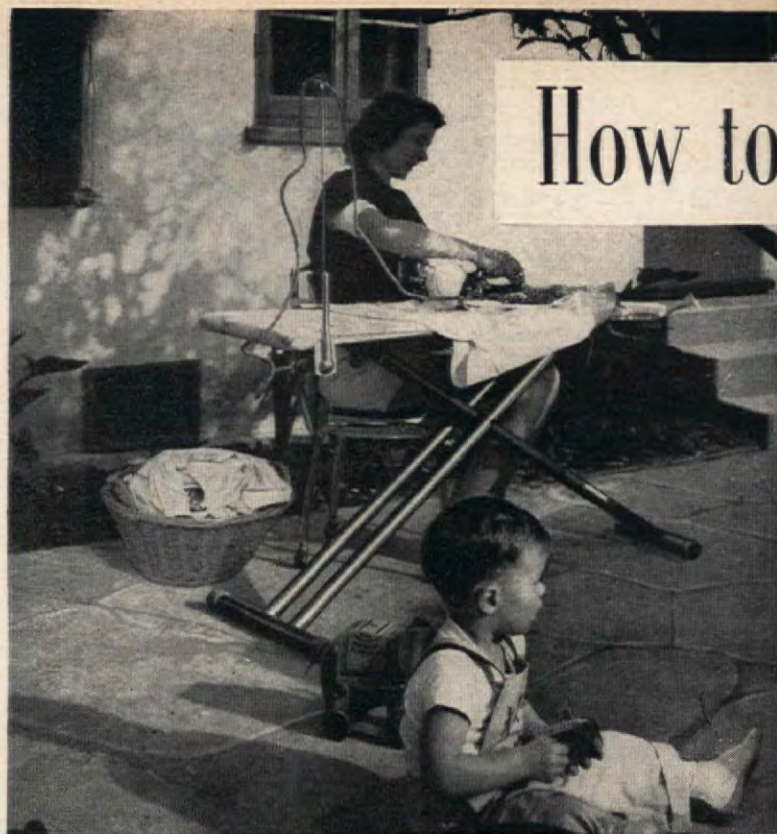
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1 Spread the shirt front side up, collar at your left. Sprinkle two front panels. Sprinkle top of each sleeve, folded over each panel. Underside absorbs the moisture from the panels.



2 Open the collar. Sprinkle inside thoroughly. More dampness is needed for heavy starch.



5 Unroll shirt with tail falling over far side of board. Draw out right sleeve and spread flat.



6 Turn just the sleeve over. Iron inside of cuff and up into sleeve, holding placket firm.



9 Turn sleeve back to original position with placket side down and finish other side.



10 Move shirt to position shown. Draw yoke taut, iron straight across, ironing a fold at edge.

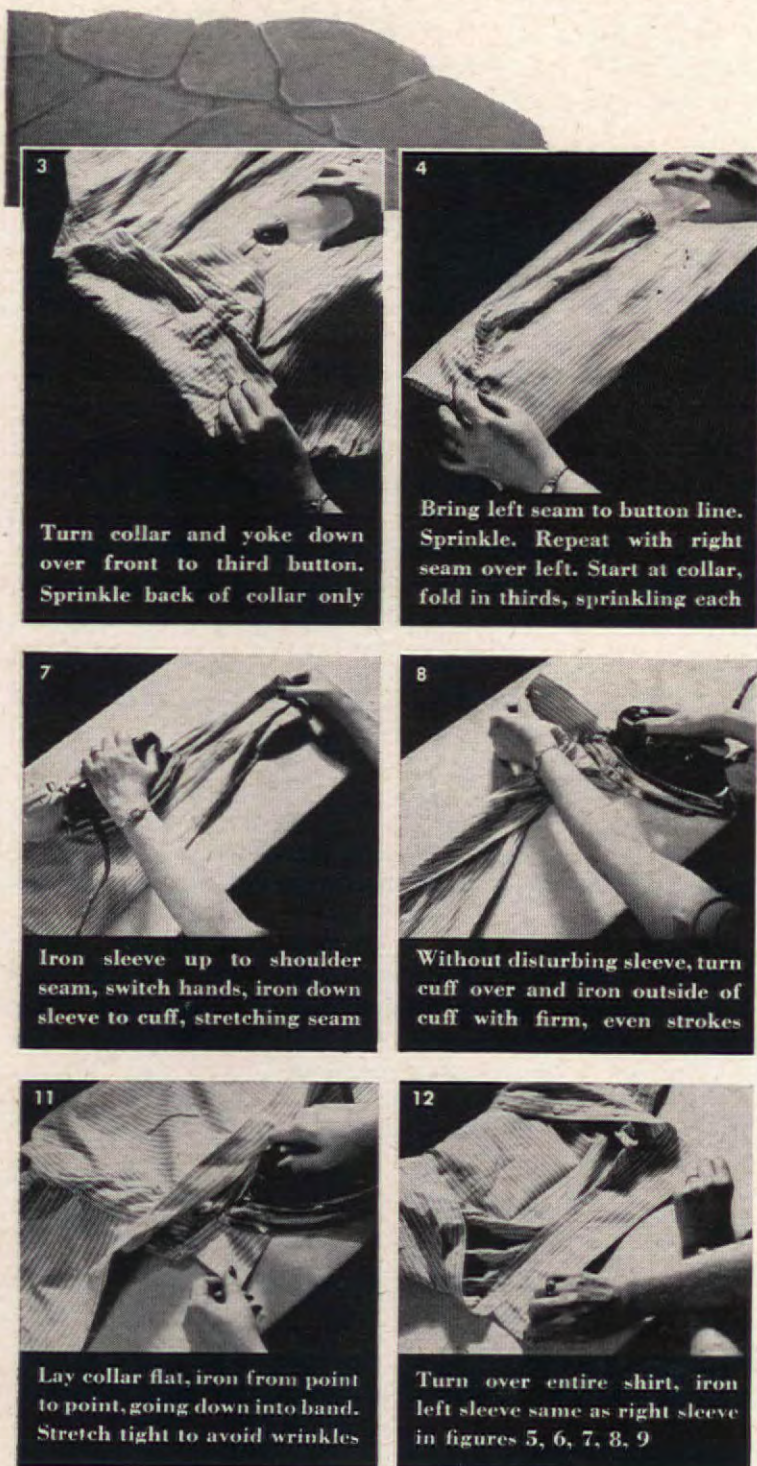


# Iron a Shirt

Is there any reason why you shouldn't iron where you are most comfortable? If it bothers you that you are chained to the ironing board while the children are getting into trouble far removed from you, unfetter yourself and move bag and baggage within earshot of them, or right out onto the porch or into the yard. Just be sure the extension cord is not hazardous, seat yourself on a good posture chair at the right height table—most comfortable for *you*—turn on the music or chat with the children and the time will pass more quickly as you tackle that mountain.

Shirts stump most of us, for the men of the family are right-fully fussiest about them. With a little application and some practice, you can cut your ironing time way down from perhaps the fifteen minutes it first takes to iron a shirt with no system, to four or five minutes, by following a well-defined practice. Here are a few pictorial hints to help. Try them and see!

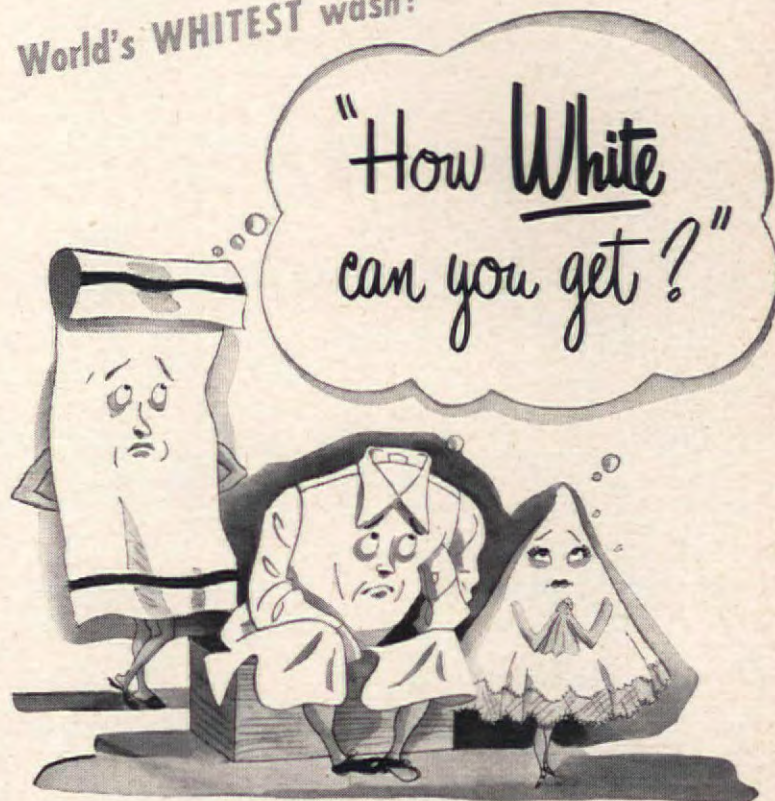
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## Iron a Shirt (Begins on page 64)

Photographs by F. M. Demarest, George de Gennaro



Flatten back of collar on board, iron from point to point and down into neckband



With collar to left, right side of shirt in lap, iron left half of back and yoke. Stretch seams



Bring left panel over ironed portion of back. Turn button-hole band back to far edge of pocket. Do not iron a crease along fold. If back of band is not ironed, it will pucker



Iron entire left panel of shirt including front side of button-hole panel, holding this taut



Repeat 14, 15, 16 for the right side of shirt. Mold collar over neckband with fingers. Fasten collar, third and sixth buttons



Bring far sleeve across back of yoke; fold back cuff. Fold near sleeve over the first as shown



Fold far side of shirt over about a third. Then fold near side over that about a third



Pick up shirt by shoulders; fold back one-third. Tuck shirt tail into open end of shirt as shown





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## A Collector Lives Here (Begins on page 42)

on the bed. Strips of rag rugs were sewn together to make a big one. The crocheted spread on the four-post bed tells its own story, fitting in nicely with a typical Victorian dresser and swinging mirror. The master bedroom is used as such because it connects with an upstairs sitting room. Curly maple spool beds and a Boston rocker continue the Early American story, and the pine dry-sink in the sitting room, used to hold plants, is something most collectors we know would cry for!

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But a smoker has other uses, too. If a piece of hose is slipped over the snout or smoke vent and secured with friction tape or wire, the device becomes a handy and efficient weapon against the vermin mentioned. Simply load it with cotton rags that have been heavily sprinkled with sulphur (if they're slightly oily, so much the better), light them, and work the bellows until a good volume of smoke comes from the end of the hose. Then quickly open up the mole or gopher runway (located beforehand), run the end of the hose well into it, seal the space around it with stiff mud or a packing of sod, and work the bellows vigorously so that smoke and sulphur will be forced not only along the shallow or feeding runways, but also down into any deep, underground chambers. While this is going on, have a helper watch for leaks or unsuspected outlets in the tunnel system, ready to cover each one with a shovelful of moist soil or a chunk of sod. Don't pound it down, however, or you may collapse and clog the runway and prevent circulation of the fumes. Even if not killed outright, any pests are likely to clear out and leave the treated area alone.

Where there is no danger of injuring plant roots, the cotton can be saturated with carbon bisulphide (an oily, colorless liquid obtainable at drug stores), or thickly dusted with Cyanogas (a proprietary potassium cyanide preparation). These are powerful exterminators of insects as well as larger animals, but use them carefully, be sure the smoker is tightly closed, and stand to windward of it so the fumes will not be inhaled. Ant nests can be thoroughly gassed by enlarging the openings with a sharpened piece of stick or old broom handle until the hose can be thrust down into them. Against rats, sulphur smoke can be pumped into burrows leading under barns, chicken houses, dwellings, etc. If a greenhouse or other small structure is to be fumigated, the bee smoker and hose make possible a thorough job while the operator works from the outside in safety and comfort.



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## Start Building (Begins on page 22)



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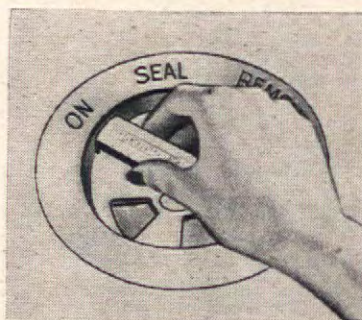
When you can get a washing machine in a small kitchen along with the other equipment, that's good planning! Every bit of space has been put to good use, and it shows

that beautiful equipment arranged to cut your effort to a minimum. There's an astonishing amount of counter and cabinet space. Besides all the regular appliances, there's a washing machine right in the same room. A wood-topped counter at right of range is just the ticket for chopping, kneading dough, biscuit cutting and all similar chores. The space beneath the board holds a large wastebasket or stool. A sliding door from the kitchen to living room rolls into the wall, completely out of the way, when necessary. Light is furnished by a large window over the sink and one in the top of the door. The kids can be kept in plain view, since the living room, front yard, and the breezeway between the garage and house are all visible from the kitchen.

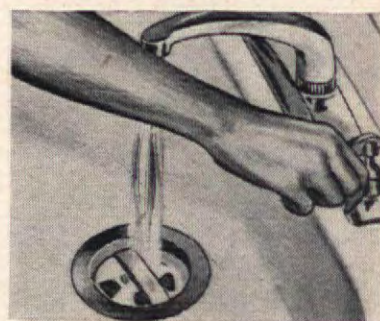
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## General Grant Gothic gets a new face

Data: Ruth W. Lee

General Grant never slept here, but the old carriage house bought by Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Croft certainly reflected his day and age. It had a tall, lean look, capped by a gable lacy with gingerbread. Actually the only thing that appealed to the new owners, recently arrived in Evanston, Illinois, from the East, was a lovely, old elm tree in the front yard and the vine-covered, white-washed wall surrounding the property. Such a setting inspired them to renovate the house.

With ingenuity and imagination, architect Robert Jerome Cerny converted it into a gracious Colonial house, just the right background for the Croft family antiques. A new wing was added with a two-car garage and sleeping quarters above, and this, coupled with an entire resurfacing job in narrow, horizontal siding, took away its awe-inspiring height. The pseudo-Gothic windows, too, made way for more conventional double-hung windows, and the distinct new feature of the front elevation was the flush-boarded gable with classic frieze below.

The large carriage room became a well-proportioned living room, its pair of recessed windows flanked on either side by bookshelves. A simple fireplace, set in a wood-paneled breast, is in the best Early American tradition and is painted white to match the other trim. The old hardwood remained and is still in excellent condition. Wood paneling, too, lines the entrance hall, once a harness room. Here are displayed the family Hitchcock chairs, black iron door hinges. Traditional wallpaper has been used in every bedroom, completely in harmony with the four-poster beds, Colonial chests, old rockers, and rush-bottomed side chairs which the Crofts had brought back from their stay in the East.



**AFTER:** a gracious courtyard offers warm welcome to a charming Early American home. New wing at left houses two-car garage with son's bedroom above



Raised panels, wrought-iron hinges, enhance doors of new hallway closets. Panels appear again in deep recessed openings into living rooms on first floor

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Quilted chintz sofa and wing chair together with low lounge chair and coffee table form cozy fireside group in living room. Glimpse of small, formal garden may be seen through bookcase-framed window



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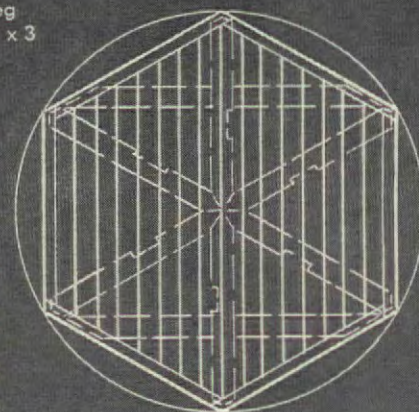
### MATERIAL NEEDED:

#### TABLE

Table top frame and diagonal leg braces,  
28 feet of 1 x 2  
Legs, 17 feet of 1 x 4  
Table top cleats,  
table-top slats and leg  
braces, 100 feet of 1 x 3  
Center post,  
28½ inches of 4 x 4  
Dowels,  
12 feet of ¾ inch

#### STOOL

Legs, 6 feet of 1 x 4  
Cleat, 20 inches of 1 x 2  
Stool top and cleats, 8 feet of 1 x 3  
Screws (flat head), 1 box of 1½ inches



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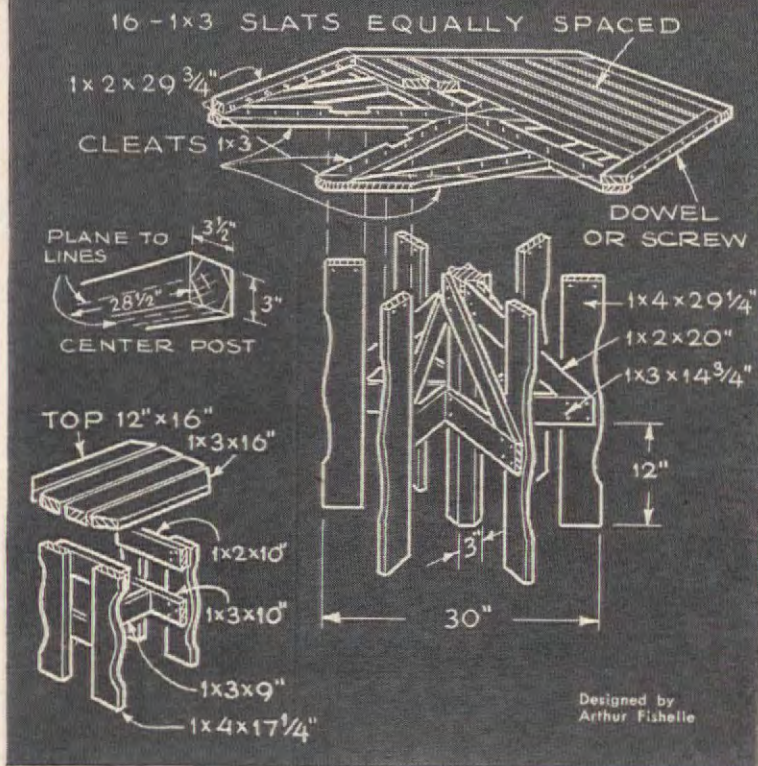
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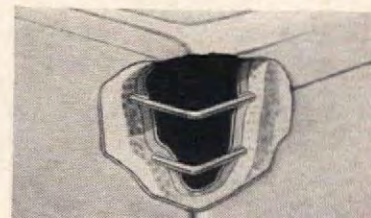
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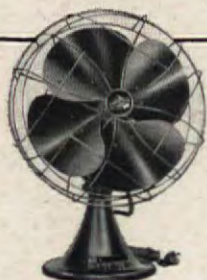


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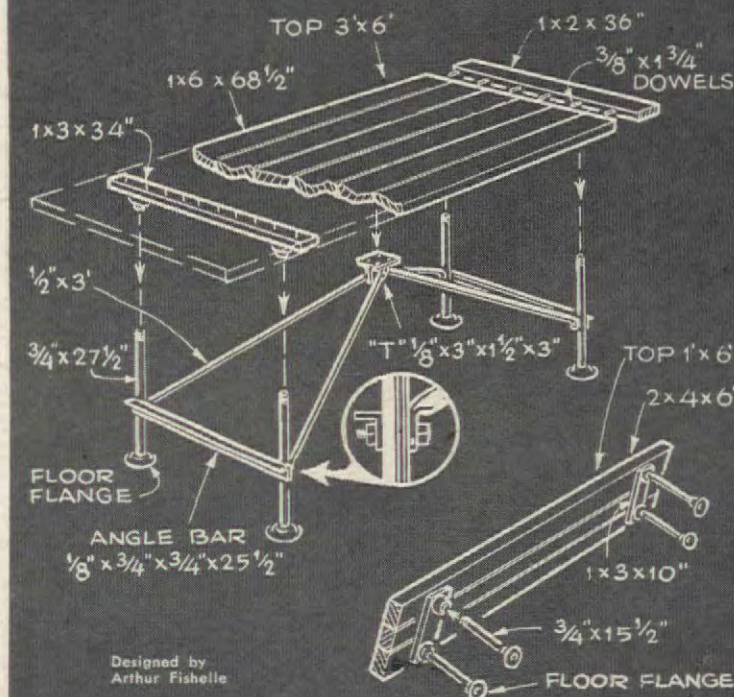
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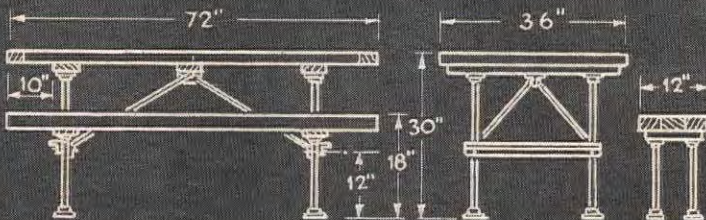
## MATERIAL NEEDED:

### TABLE

Top, 36 feet of 1 x 6  
Ends, 7 feet of 1 x 2  
Cleats, 9 feet of 1 x 3  
Dowel, 3/8 inch, 3 feet  
1/2 inch pipe for bracing, 12 feet  
3/4 inch pipe for legs,  
4 pieces, 27 1/2 inches long  
threaded at both ends  
Angle irons, 2 pieces,  
1/2 inch x 3/4 inch  
x 3/4 inch x 25 1/2 inches  
Floor flanges, 8  
"T" angle, 1/2 inch x 3 inches  
x 1 1/2 inches x 3 inches

### STOOLS (2)

Top, 36 feet of 2 x 4  
Cleats, 6 feet of 1 x 3  
3/4 inch pipe for legs,  
8 pieces, 15 1/2 inches long  
threaded at both ends  
Floor flanges, 16  
Brass screws, 2 doz. 1 1/4 inches  
2 doz. 1 1/2 inches  
Nuts and bolts, 1 doz.  
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## Living Is Easy (Begins on page 30)

reddish-rose, green, and blue. The bedroom is more subdued, involving pale pink, green, white, and gray. There's a tiny den which sports a fireplace and robust shades of bright red, green and strong blue in the furniture, walls, and draperies. Full yellow draperies and window-seat cushions spark up the dining room. A great deal of copper and brass has been used throughout the entire house because the Kronthals believe it's less formal than silver, and more in keeping with their design for informal entertaining and outdoor living.

Dark blue walls point up the brilliant print covers on the two facing easy chairs. Fireplace of stone and wood. Beamed ceilings give a feeling of greater space, and draperies at the left open to magnificent view of nature. White rugs make a good contrast



One thing sure—this dining room is gay! Yellow draperies and window-seat cushion are framed by bright figured wallpaper. French pottery plates make "très chic" wall light brackets



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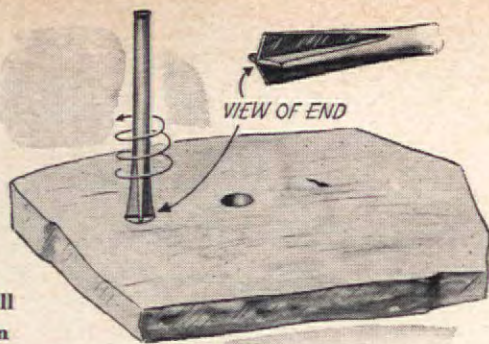
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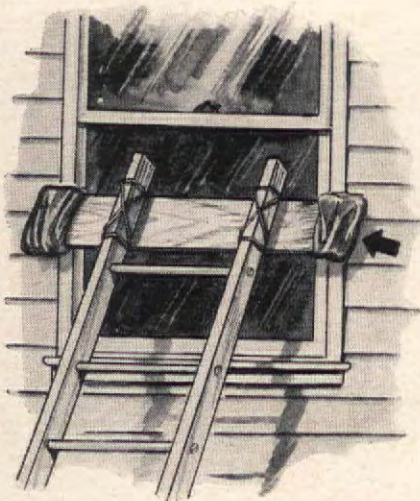
Use a star drill to cut holes in flagstone, concrete, or brick. Rotate the drill less than a quarter turn after each blow of the hammer so the blades make a new cut with each blow

## How-To Tricks

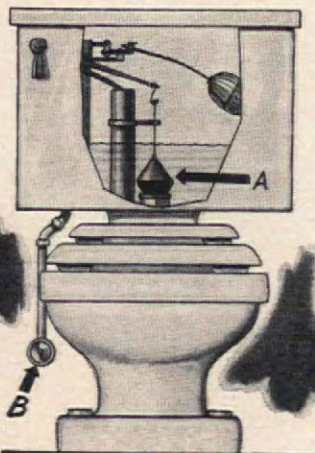


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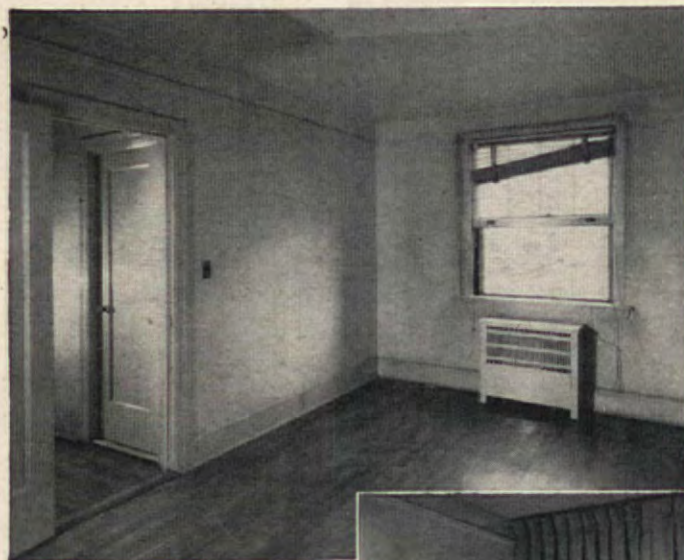
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## We Fixed a Flat (Begins on page 32)

made draperies to cover the entire wall. He did a fine job on the construction of a radio-television console from Douglas fir plywood, striated plywood facing the doors. The items were bought separately, placed in three units, giving a built-in appearance. This was a project of great magnitude and the place looked like a laboratory. Now I show it off, and speak of Shell with awe.

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The one bedroom window—  
surrounded by shades of  
dirty cream and holes in  
plaster. After many layers of  
patch we were ready to paint

I made draperies to cover the  
end wall and sliding curtains  
in beige for bookcases. Slip-  
cover is chocolate brown—  
beige shag rug, blue walls



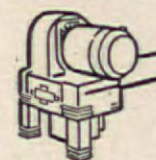
After we bought bed headboard unit we discovered our old  
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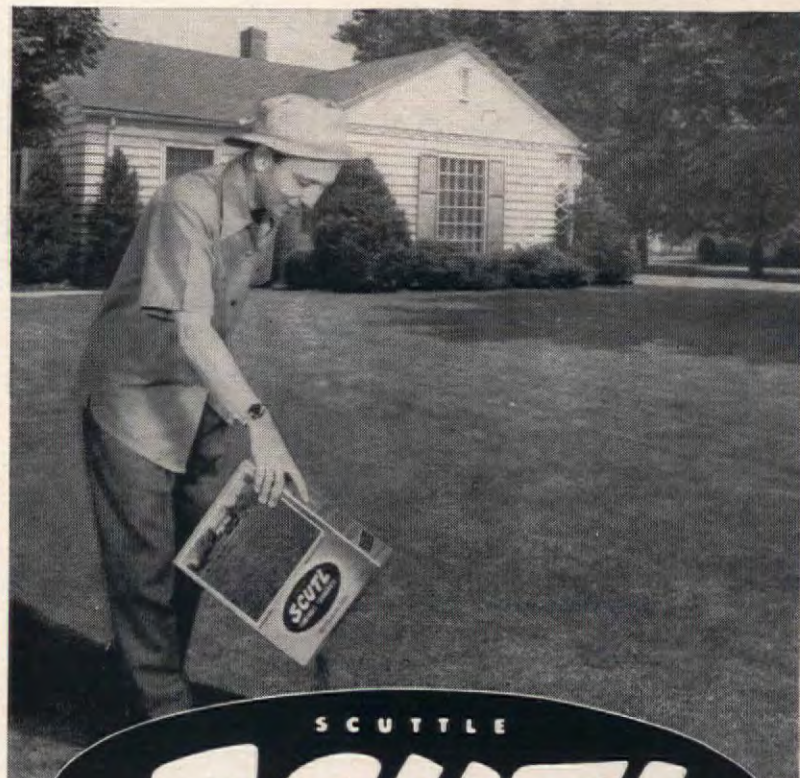


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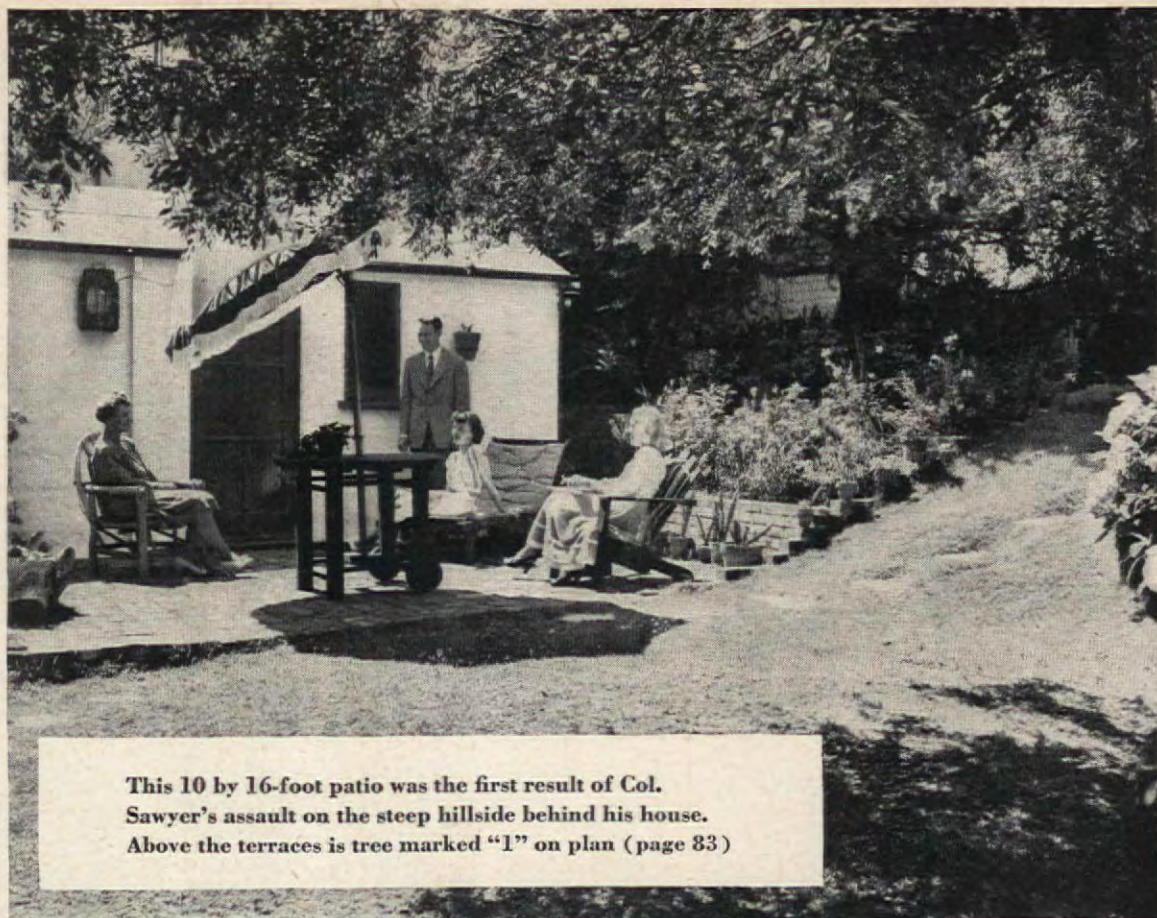
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This 10 by 16-foot patio was the first result of Col. Sawyer's assault on the steep hillside behind his house. Above the terraces is tree marked "1" on plan (page 83)

# Pick-and-Shovel Patio

EDA JOHNSTONE

To transform a steep, uphill backyard into a garden is not nearly so formidable a task as it might seem at first glance. The solution lies in planning systematically, with a clear outline in mind of what is wanted. Flowers, of course, and grass for coolness; a patio for entertaining on summer evenings, and another for privacy and solitude, if possible. All that can be had—and a vegetable garden, too—as is demonstrated by the development shown and pictured here.

When Col. E. O. Sawyer, Jr., of Los Angeles, viewed his 125 feet of upward slope against the Hollywood hills, he decided that the place to start was at the beginning, that is, the part directly adjoining the back of the house. So with pick and shovel he went to work and leveled the ground for some sixteen feet back. At the left of this plateau, beside the house wing, he laid his 10-foot wide brick patio floor, beyond which he divided the bank into three terraces, each 2 feet high and 18 inches wide, with brick retaining walls. Here Mrs. Sawyer grows miscellaneous flowers for cutting—begonias, verbenas, petunias, snapdragon, and Transvaal daisies, with a border of delicate blue forget-me-nots along the top. Beyond



Photographs by Walter G. Xander.

At the top of the property, this tiny "look-out patio," flanked by rock-ribbed beds of desert plants, is remote, secluded, with a grand panoramic view



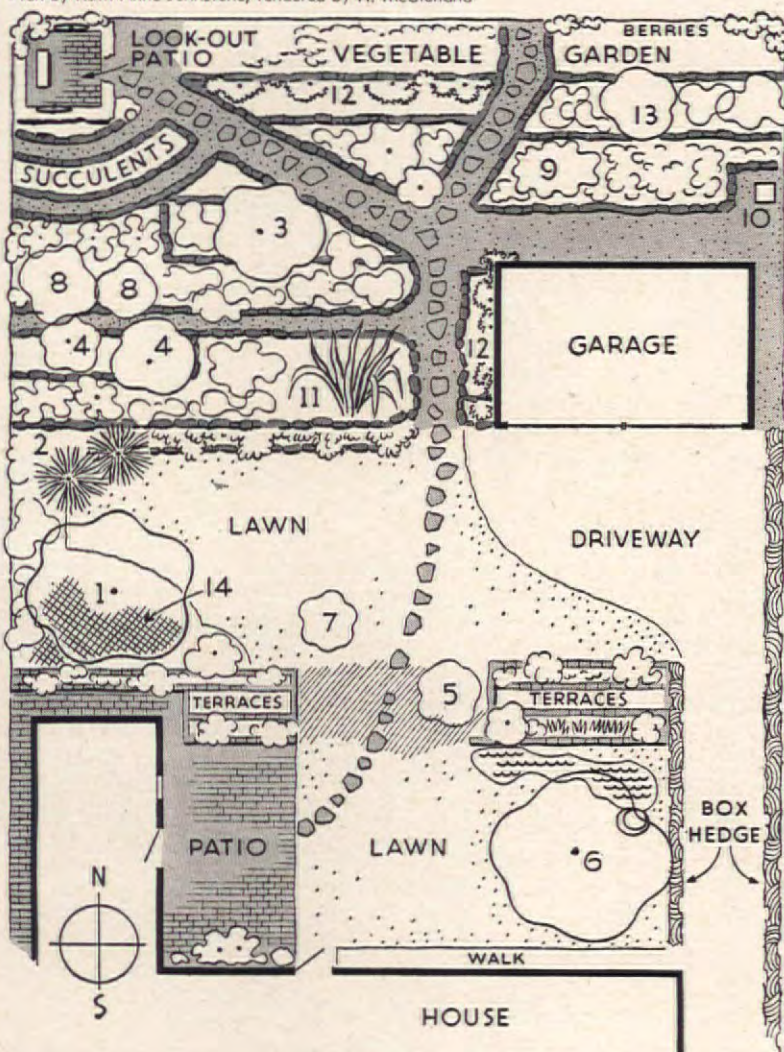
the terraces, a huge Deodar cedar rises above a bank of sword ferns—a very satisfactory ground cover for a shaded spot, and a source of attractive foliage for flower arrangements.

To the right of the patio, grass extends to the concrete driveway, beside which is a graceful Chinese elm. North of it, in line with the terraces, Col. Sawyer laid out a crescent-shaped pool which he lined with stone, petrified wood, coral, and other material from his mineral collection—each piece a memento of some happy vacation trip. At one side a flat boulder provides a convenient seat for contemplative moments; at the left end of the pool a tiny bird bath is the scene of continual flutterings and chirpings. Back of the pool three more brick-edged terraces terminated by tree roses and one hibiscus, hold iris and bush roses, gladiolus, and chrysanthemums. One of two strips of boxwood hedge separates this from the drive.

From the patio, stepping stones lead between the terraced areas up to a second, gently sloping lawn extending from lot line to driveway and 22 feet back to the beginning of a steeper ascent, where the steps are of broken concrete slabs. Here, on the left side, a bank of lavender lantana cascades onto the lawn forming a background for the flowers below and is itself surmounted by yellow and lavender chrysanthemums; above these, at the right, a huge century plant rises majestically.

More rock steps to the uppermost garden, also broken into terraces five feet wide which hold a collection of fruit trees—peach, Myer lemon, fig, and the ubiquitous avocado—and some grape vines; also several plots devoted to vegetables. These

Plan by Ruth Anne Johnstone, rendered by H. McClelland



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## Patio

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terraces are held in place by bulwarks of boulders with gravel paths of various widths between them.

Now we have reached the apex of the garden from which a breath-taking view can be had out across Los Angeles. So here, naturally enough, Col. Sawyer laid out his 10 by 10-ft. "look-out patio," installing a rustic bench under a big sheltering eucalyptus tree. The surrounding slope was planned and planted to simulate desert conditions, with a crescent-shaped bed filled with cacti and succulents, and embellished with more mementoes of vacation trips to the "gold country"—ranging from wagon wheels and horse-shoes to old rusty tin cups and frying pans—interspersed among the boulders and stumps. A clever way to develop this spot it was, too, considering the difficulty that might have been encountered in supplying enough water to plants of a more moisture-loving character.

Back, or north, of the garage and eastward across the garden from the look out, is the berry patch, more space for vegetables, including rhubarb, the fig tree, more grapes, and so on. A good bit of ground is covered by New Zealand spinach which not only grows rapidly and withstands hot weather, but is also preferred by the Sawyer family to the ordinary, garden or "Pop-Eye" type of spinach as a source of needed iron and vitamins in the diet.

To enclose his property, Col. Sawyer planted a variety of shrubs, with special emphasis on pittosporum. With vigorous upright growth and waxy, dark green leaves, this plant bears clusters of ivory-white flowers whose fragrance so resembles that of orange blossoms that the bush is often called "mock-orange." This may occasionally confuse Eastern visitors to whom that name means the Philadelphia of the Atlantic Seaboard and the Middle West, which is often called, inaccurately, syringa.

A study of the plan of this garden (and even more so a visit to it) drives home the fact that a sloping back yard has its advantages. For it offers not only depth in which to develop vistas and perspectives, but also the factor of height. Thus the garden is, as it were, elevated on an easel, the better to be admired from the house or the patio adjoining it. Certainly in this case the results, in both beauty and practical usability and enjoyment, more than compensated for the extra thought and work that the Sawyer family put into it.

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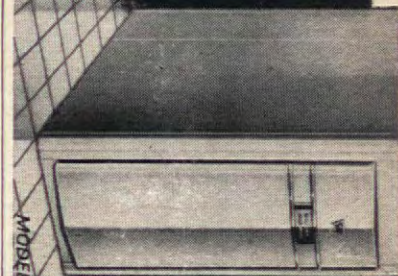
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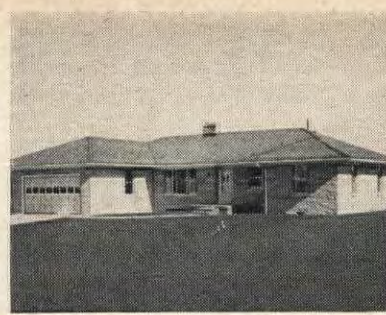
Mrs. Martin, wife of former Governor Edward Martin, who was first to occupy the mansion, in order to acquaint herself with all possible information on the subject made an intensive study of old Pennsylvania Dutch culture, made trips to museums and auction galleries. Here she picked up some pulse-quickeners pieces that would have thrilled any professional collector. The pieces she prized most of all were those she ferreted out from the barns, attics, and sheds of Pennsylvania's farm country.

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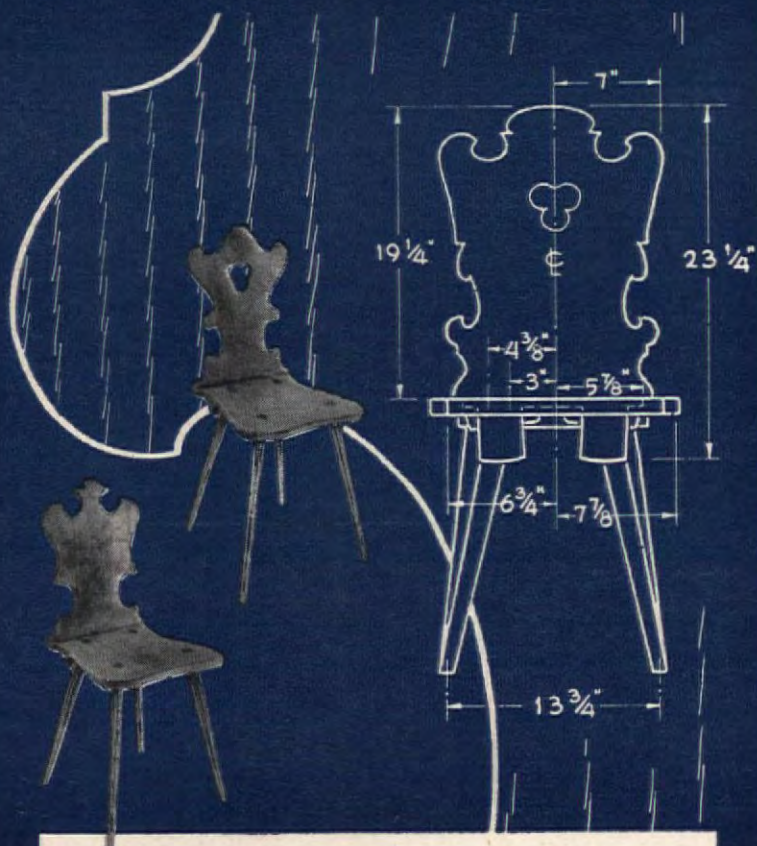
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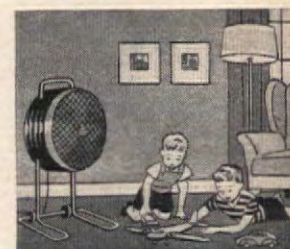
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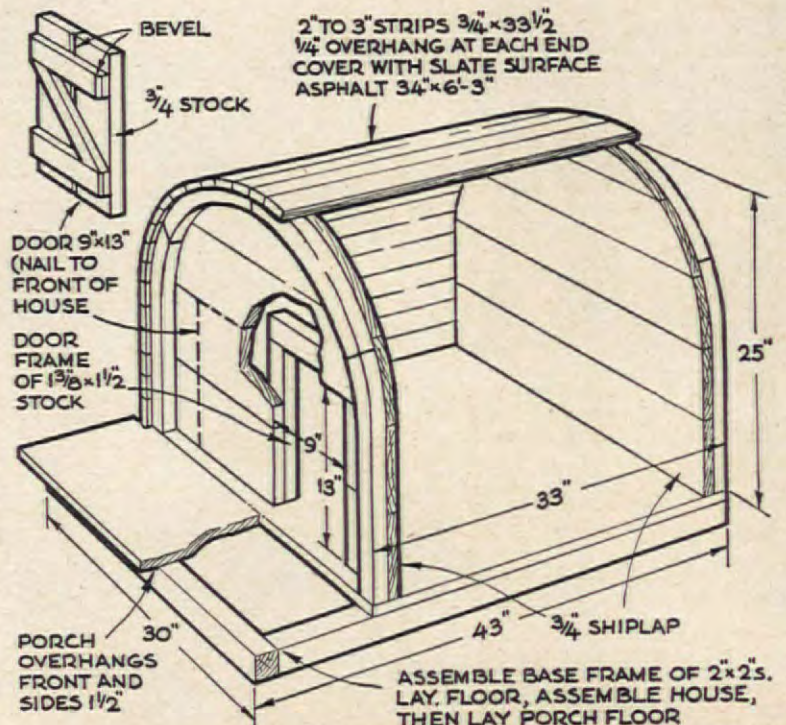
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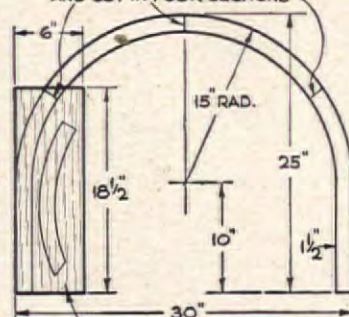
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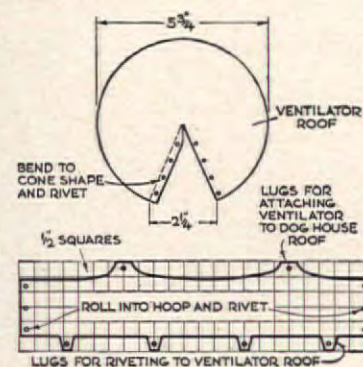


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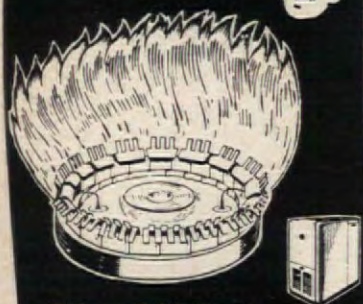
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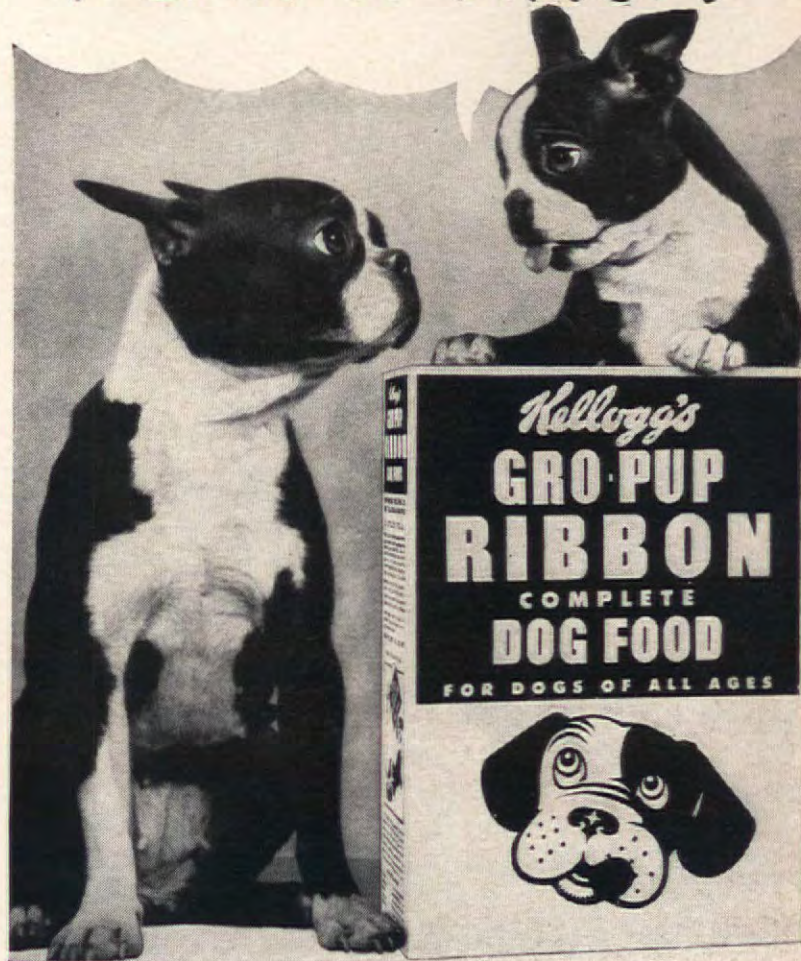


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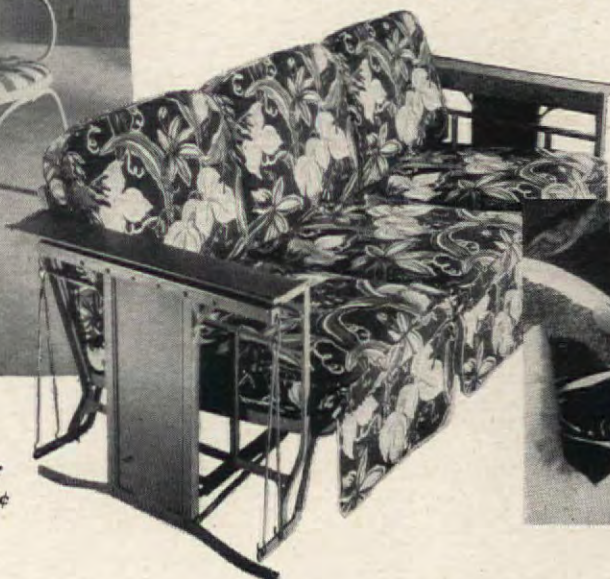
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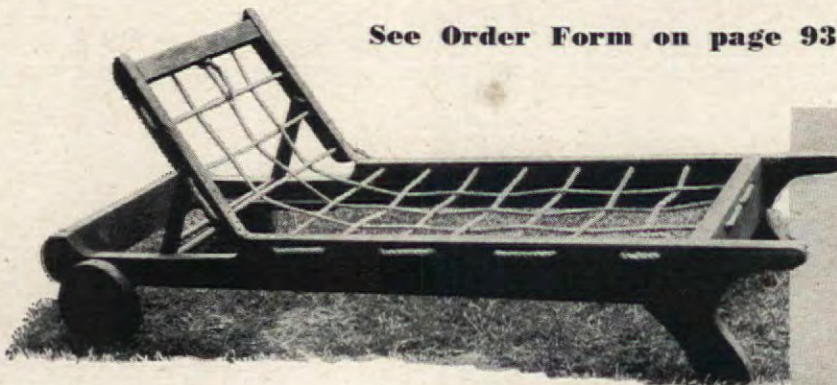
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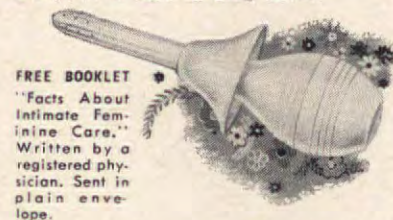
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# MODERN MOTHERS NOW OPENLY TELL THEIR DAUGHTERS THESE Intimate Physical Facts



SO REMEMBER, DEAR... THERE'S A WOMANLY OFFENSE GREATER THAN BAD BREATH OR BODY ODOR.

IT'S SO MUCH EASIER TO HEAR IT FROM YOU, MOM!

## No other type liquid antiseptic-germicide tested for the douche is so powerful yet safe to tissues

Isn't it much easier and safer for a daughter to learn about hygiene (internal cleanliness) from her mother than to rely on 'half-truths' and misinformation whispered among girl friends?

For this reason, a modern mother must keep up to date and be able to tell her daughter to always put ZONITE in her fountain syringe for health, charm, after her periods, and especially to follow this hygienic practice when she's married. She must make her daughter realize there's an offensive odor which she herself may not detect but is so apparent to people around her.

And isn't it reassuring for a daughter to know: *no other type liquid antiseptic-germicide tested for the douche is so powerful yet safe to tissues as ZONITE!*

### A Modern Miracle!

Modern women no longer have to use dangerous products, overstrong solutions of which may gradually

cause serious damage. Nor will they want to rely on weak home-made solutions—none of which have ZONITE's remarkable deodorizing, germ-killing action.

Developed by a famous surgeon and scientist, the ZONITE principle was the first in the world that was powerful enough yet positively non-irritating, non-poisonous. You can use ZONITE as directed as often as you wish without injury.

### Gives BOTH Internal and External Hygienic Protection

ZONITE deodorizes not by just 'masking' as many products do. Instead, ZONITE actually dissolves and removes odor-causing waste substances. Use ZONITE and be sure you won't offend. ZONITE has such a soothing, refreshing effect and promptly relieves any itching and irritation if present. ZONITE gives daily external protection, too. Available at any drug counter.

### FREE! NEW!

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*feminine hygiene*

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# ATHLETE'S FOOT\*?



Effectiveness  
of Absorbine Jr.'s  
**WET-DRY  
ACTION**  
proved in scientifically  
controlled tests

\*To help relieve Athlete's Foot misery—use Absorbine Jr. *quick!* Its time-proved "Wet-Dry" action kills all the Athlete's Foot fungi it can reach. Helps heal open cracks and promote regrowth of a smooth unbroken skin-barrier against reinfection! In carefully checked clinical tests, 3 out of 4 cases responded favorably.



**EXAMINE** the skin between your toes tonight. When open cracks appear it means that Athlete's Foot can strike. Swab skin with cotton soaked in the famous Absorbine Jr. Its

"wetting" action removes the flaky dead skin and dissolves the stale perspiration products on which Athlete's Foot fungi thrive.

## NOW POUR ON

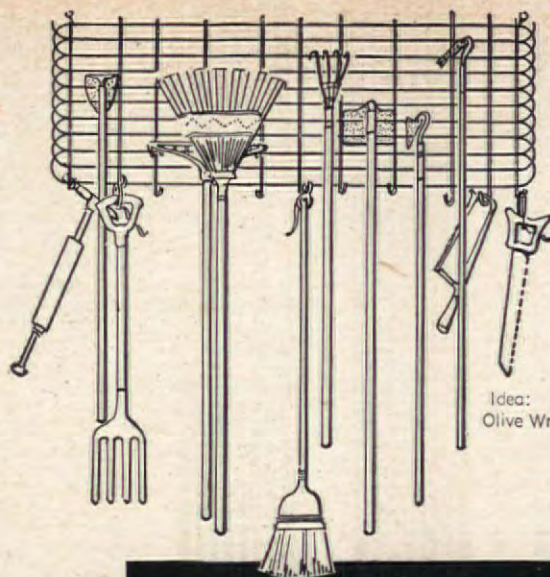
some Absorbine Jr. Its "drying" and fungicidal action inhibits growth of all the infecting fungi it can reach. If your case of Athlete's Foot persists, see your doctor. *Guard against reinfection.* Don't share towels or bathmats. Boil socks for 15 minutes to kill the micro-organisms. Get Absorbine Jr. wherever drugs are sold. . . \$1.25 a bottle . . . Introductory Size 15¢.



W. F. Young Inc., Springfield, Mass.

# ABSORBINE Jr.

America's No. 1 Athlete's Foot Stand-by!



Idea:  
Olive Wren

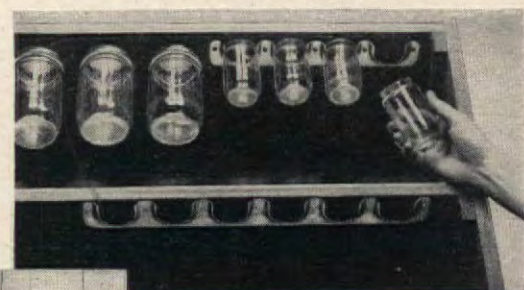
**MAKE-IT-YOURSELF RACK** for handyman's tools. Take one discarded section of wire fencing and fix to garage wall with two 6-in. nails to allow space between wall and rack for hoes. Turn up wire ends of fencing to form hooks for other small equipment



**DOUBLE-UPPER.** New swing-down device can be used in any closet 24" deep or more, gives twice as much shelf room. Fittings easily attached to proper size board and present shelf. Space Saver Industries



**"HANG-IT-ALL"** is aptly named. This sturdy gadget, with double-action clips, neatly files small paraphernalia—in the home or shop. S. & S. Industries, Inc.



## FULL-VIEW DISPENSER

"Klip-Jar" bracket holds baby-food jars for storing screws, bolts, other small parts used in kitchen or workshop. Comes in two sizes, various metals. Ideas, Inc.

**NEAT STOW-AWAY** is "Tidy-Rack"—for canned and bottled goods, paints, and workshop materials. Each bracket holds up to 100 lbs. Shelves can be added. Aviation Corp.



**GOOD PLANNING** works miracles in the closet. Narrow shelves on three sides make jars quickly visible, easy-to-get-at. Good idea is to store seldom-used appliances on upper shelves. Use louvered bins for vegetables, racks on door for cooking gadgets and spices







mmm...so fresh and smooth



ah...so smooth and fresh

## Youngsters prefer Peter Pan Peanut Butter



### Here's Why

Peter Pan stays fresher and smoother

**1. Packed fresher!** Just seconds from grinder to jar. None of its delicious just-made flavor is lost!

**2. Fresher when you buy it!** It's vacuum-sealed to keep all the fresh flavor in. The only leading peanut butter with the vacuum-sealed cap.

**3. Stays fresher in your pantry,** after you open the jar! The oil never separates—so Peter Pan doesn't get rancid, never gets dry or lumpy. It stays fresh-tasting and smooth—keeps all its energy value and vitamins. No waste—it's smooth and creamy right down to the bottom of the jar!

*It's America's Favorite because  
it's America's Best*

Tune in "Sky King" every other weekday at 5:30  
over your ABC station

Try both kinds of delicious Peter Pan—smooth Peter Pan in the Red Top Jar ● the smoothest peanut butter made . . . and Peter Pan Crunchy Peanut Butter (with crisp peanut bits mixed all through) in the Green Top Jar ● The youngsters love 'em both!



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