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Dear Madam:

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-MRS. J. M. BEEBE No, Mrs. Beebe, "Cheapies" are definitely here to stay!-ED.

Dear Mrs. Austin:

Want to let you know how much your magazine means to me . . Like a child with an all-day sucker, I just try to make it last as long as I can . . . I always place myself in the center of every beautiful home. -JEAN QUINN

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-MRS. JESSIE C. GREEN



TOO "FOLKSY?"

Dear Mrs. Austin:

Whenever we daughters pay our monthly visit to our parents' home, we eagerly reach for THE AMERICAN HOME to learn and benefit from your delectable concoctions . . . Heretofore we have been enchanted by the charming way you pen them. . . .

How shocked we were to find . . . the insulting reference to "folks." In our homes we entertain guests, not

folks . . The word just does not seem to have a place in the vocabulary of an editor.

-MRS. OLIVER T. HOLMES, JR. England

Dear American Home:

While at first I considered your magazine clever, I have been lately not much impressed . . . I merely refer to your cultural approach . . . Our standards have been already lowered enough and the editors of any magazine should consider it a duty to raise the standards of the readers, mostly the substantial kind, by using good language .- MRS. B. DUDLEY



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SERENE SUNDAY Dear Editor:

I have put this off as long as I can. I just must voice my objection. In the July issue, you mention "a beautiful Sunday morn . . . allows you to remain serene and selfpossessed . . . " What I am wondering is this: just why do magazines assume that people have quit going to Sunday School and church on Sunday mornings? Repeated references are made to "lazy brunches," etc. Well in my family, these things just aren't possible, nor do I know any families where they are. We have three daughters, and Sunday is just like any other morning, only more so, because Mama has to get dressed up too!

My hair is getting shorter, not only from having it cut to keep cool (physically!) but from pulling it out. from the futile feeling I get, especially on Sunday mornings. Fixing four heads of hair (none of which curl properly without a lot of coaxing, laying out four pairs of white gloves, among other sundry items, and someone nearly always manages to lose a shoe!

You see what I mean? I would be very interested in knowing more about this remaining serene and selfpossessed .-- MRS. DALE DURRETT

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How We Work,

ere's how we work an AMERICAN HOME Hobby Kitchenwhich we design, set up down to the last push-button, and then, like as not, assemble and reassemble for a national tour. In Hobby Kitchen #2 (page 59), the happy family you see really is our own. Mamma is Dorchen Trumm of the Crafts department, Dad is Associate Editor Bob Houseman whose fine touch often appears in our photographs-though he usually gets out before the camera takes over. The youngsters are Clyte and Gil Willis-and Jeannie Willis, who creates our Cheapies, is mighty proud of them (see her above getting her son Gil ready for the Big Moment). Clyte and Gil would call Editor Austin "Grandma"-if they hadn't first thought of calling her "Toot." Snapshot below was taken in Hobby Kitchen #1 (see July issue) when we set it up at the convention of the American Home Economics Association in Atlantic City. Dorchen demonstrates the hobby of rug hooking, and behind her you see (left to right) Equipment Editor Ramsay, Assistant Publisher Agry, Crafts Editor Trumm, and Executive Editor Wiley.

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Our Children



Fill 'em Up and Wear 'em Out!

BARBARA OLLIS

n Halloween night in Santa Barbara. Calif., the witches, goblins, and ghosts appear as scheduled-but instead of roaming the streets in search of mischief, they flock to the high school football stadium for the biggest and busiest Halloween party ever! This fill-'em-up-and-wear-'em-out idea works so well that malicious mischief on Halloween has been reduced by over 80% in Santa Barbara. Now, some 3,000 youngsters celebrate here annually with contests, games, dancing, and enough food to feed everyone to the bursting point. The police force is happy, the parents are happy, and the kids are happiest of all. In the old days, Halloween was simply an excuse for a night of de-PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 32



Grand prize winner in the costume contest finds his activities a bit curtailed by his costume



Bruce O'Neal, founder of the community party, congratulates a prize winner on her costume

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Fill 'em Up and Wear 'em Out!

(Begins on page 30)

struction, with no holds barred. Carnivals and window-painting contests had only limited appeal.

It was Bruce O'Neal, young school-board member and energetic president of the local Amvets organization, who first proposed that the entire community pool their efforts in a gigantic Halloween celebration. "What we need is an 8 o'clock curfew!" countered businessmen. But 3 months of pavement-pounding finally won out and 75 local clubs and organizations, each sponsoring a game or contest, put on a program designed to keep the kids in perpetual motion. There was plenty of everything for all, and by 9:30 parents could usually convince a weary and overstuffed youngster to call it quits. That's when the orchestra took over for the teen-agers, with more free food and dancing.

The big party has given the entire community a chance to work and play together. It is eagerly anticipated annually, and merchants dig down and donate with hardly a phone call to remind them. Everybody has fun, and Santa Barbara's once-horrible Halloweens are now happy ones.

Truckloads of doughnuts, cider, pies, and apples keep everyone well fed all evening. After each contest or game, sponsors set out more cider and doughnuts and then line the kids up for another game to keep them really hopping



The football stadium receives 3,000 youngsters of all ages every Halloween night. Here, boys try their luck at climbing greased telephone poles for dollar bills tacked to the tops

The police officers on duty Halloween night can relax and stop worrying now that the big community party takes the kids off the streets. Officers sit around and reminisce about the old days when a hundred volunteer policemen were sworn in just for duty on Halloween



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WORDS to the WISE NO. XVII, URGING FINAL DIVORCE of all women from all contact with game COOKERY, VERBAL or MANUAL

May heaven shield us for setting this down in cold print, but employ no female aid or advice when cooking game. . . Women, by and large, seem to lack the proper psychology or respect for this serious business. Actually it probably isn't their fault, poor dears. They really haven't gotten much chance to cook game, for most men after coming to shaving age are bright enough not to take wives, sweethearts, or other feminine attachments, on camp-hunts or into duck blinds. . . And women who don't get taken hunting aren't sympathetic or interested in cooking game, except to confuse the male who is cagerly trying to whip up some amateur masterpiece. . . . Give them easy indoor games and let them go away and play until the dish is ready to serve. —CHARLES H. BAKER, JR.*

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Deserved or not, and I personally fear it is, Mr. Baker's blast is nonetheless not very constructive. Most women would adore going away from the kitchen to playbut unlike the gifted Mr. Baker, an overwhelming majority of our twelve million huntsmen dump their bloody feathered friends in ladies' laps. This repels most ladies. But that, too, is not very constructive, for figures prove that feminine distaste deters not the male huntsmen. Let us, therefore, arrive at some sensible compromise and recognize that if Daddy will a-hunting go, Mama must a-cooking.

In the sincere hope that American women may appreciate that what provides exciting, healthful sport for her menfolk also provides superlative eating for her table, I have shown some mighty fine game eating on pages 66 and 67. Not the dull roast and on-toast variety these—but the sort all too often confined to fabulously expensive gourmet restaurants. I beg of you, no longer deprive your hunter of the sweet pleasure of boasting, sharing, and enjoying with his friends the gratifying results of his gaming skill. Here are recipes that show you how to proceed with confidence, food to serve with pride—and fie on Baker. We'll make him eat crow, that we will!



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JEAN AUSTIN



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Buy with a Change In Mind

GERTRUDE BROOKS DIXSON

It's a woman's prerogative to change her mind, and we'll defend this charming inconsistency of the feminine sex right down to our last breath. But, oh lady! Can it cost you money if you happen to make the wrong change! Particularly in the costly business of furnishing a home. Let's face it: good goods and chattels these days cost a whale of a lot of dough. The thickness of carpets might be measured in dollar bills, not inches; the spring of a sofa measured in gold, not steel.

Unless your bank balance is mighty fat you've got to thread your way carefully through the mystic mazes of selecting furniture and assembling it all in a pretty picture by means of a lovely color scheme. Once the nerve-wracking task is completed and the last picture hung you may collapse in a chair and breathe, "Never again!" But that's discounting human nature, the toll of time and, in particular, the changeable nature of the female mind.

If you stop to consider it, you know full well that in three to five years the arms of that sofa are going to be quite soiled in spite of every doily you can (and we hope you won't!) muster. Sun and grime will have done their work on your pretty curtains. Little hands, and big hands too, will have made a mess of your walls. If you're as smart as we hope you are, you'll keep this change in mind when you set out originally to furnish a room. You'll not only *think* twice—you'll *look* twice!

To show you what we mean by this second look we got in a huddle with Bamberger's, a big store in Newark, N.J., and produced the pairs of rooms you see here. In each case we started with the carpet. We took one room and furnished it the way you might if you were starting out to decorate your living room. Then we took the same room, keeping the original carpet and the major pieces of furniture, and redecorated it as it might appear five years later.

Your carpet is the logical foundation for any scheme for several reasons. It is one of your most expensive purchases. It's not one that you can afford to change often, and if you buy quality carpet, there's no reason why you should have to. The moral of our little tale is this: when you first buy your carpet do, please, take the long view. Create one color scheme around your carpet, then put that color scheme aside and do a completely different scheme, then another. If the carpet you have chosen proves compatible enough to harmonize perfectly with several schemes, then you can be sure it will stand the tests of changing tastes, times and temperaments.


Begin with a good carpet color

• It can be any color—gray, beige, green, and this rose are the reigning favorites but there are infinite shades for every taste. Here we chose a rose foundation on which to build a lovely pink room. The important fabrics are a flower-scattered chintz, silk antique taffeta, and a luscious nubby pink cloth which appears on the sofa. The one contrasting accent is turquoise velvet—on the barrel chair and as a sofa pillow. Accessories are in character with this formal scheme: the painting above the mantel, the elegant black and gilt sconces, the interesting pictures with gold-leaf mats. The effect is beautiful but not everlasting—such a delicately colored scheme will soil, should be bought with a change in mind.

Test it with several schemes

• To prove the versatility of our rose carpet we created another color scheme around it, completely opposite in character. It's the same room but with a very different look. Whereas the other room is fragile and feminine, this one is robust in color and masculine enough to be a library scheme. And, we feel, a far more livable and durable room. The rose of the carpet is picked up in the flowers scattered across the rich brown paper, and in the draped valance. Brown-textured fabric gives substance to the smallscale sofa, and the club chairs have a much more tailored look slip-covered in the broad stripe. Simple picture arrangement looks best with strongly patterned wallpaper. FOR MORE CHANGES, TURN THE PAGE





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(Begins on page 36) Allow for changing tastes • Gray is one of the best home bases any room can have. This gray cotton carpet is extremely versatile, can switch from modern to traditional without turning a tuft. Remember that even though you may be a traditionalist today, changing tastes and circumstances may make you more modernminded tomorrow. The room at right began as a Colonial room, and very pretty it is. On our cover and repeated below we show you a more contemporary version-same carpet, same furniture, but with a completely different approach to color.

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Experiment with patterns

• Don't think that the long view need limit you only to plain carpet. Patterned carpets create more attention in themselves, but many variations are possible if you'll try the experiment. A green leaf design was the starting point in the room at left. Almost as much texture as pattern, it is subordinated to the bold print at the window. In the room at right, it becomes the dominant design as all other fabrics are confined to solid colorings. These rooms are on view at L. Bamberger & Co., Newark, N. J., September 23rd through November 1st.





Let's Go Shopping for Tulips

Select wisely-buy good bulbs-plant them carefully

in the right places-and your tulips will amply reward you

A GUIDE TO THE MAIN TYPES - AND A FEW GOOD VARIETIES - OF GARDEN TULIPS

Types, Kinds . Flowering Seasons

BOTANICAL (SPECIES)—APRIL Tulipa clusiana—8-10 in. T. fosteriana—to 15 in. T. kaufmanniana—5 to 8 in. T. praestans—14 in.

SINGLE EARLY-APRIL 12-18 in.

Couleur Cardinal De Wet Keiserskroon Pink Beauty White Beauty

DOUBLE EARLY—APRIL 10-12 in. Couronne d'Or Murillo Scarlet Cardinal Schoonoord

MAY-FLOWERING—MAY-JUNE Tall BREEDER TYPE 25-32 in, Admiral Tromp Bacchus Bronze Queen Dillenburg

Dillenburg Dom Pedro Indian Chief Louis XIV Tantalus

Characteristics-Comments

Varied forms, colors. For rock gardens Red and white, striped effect. Dainty Glorious scarlet. Var. Red Emperor best Cream; yellow, red center. Opens flat Orange-scarlet. Stem may bear 2-3 flws.

Bright, cheerful. Formal beds, borders Crimson-scarlet, deeper at base Orange, flushed scarlet toward tips Scarlet, petals yellow-edged Rose, white base Pure white

Showy, effective. Protect from wind Deep yellow White flushed giving soft pink effect Vermilion-scarlet Pure white

Tall, stately, robust. Best known Big, goblet-shaped; solid, quiet tones Bright arange, shading to paler Rich violet-blue Deep yellow and brown Salmon-arange to terra cotta Coffee-brown and maroon Mahagany flushed purple Deep violet, flushed gold Yellow, violet flush center of petals. Types, Kinds - Flowering Seasons

MAY-FLOWERING (Continued) COTTAGE TYPE 25-30 in. Avis Kennicott Carrara Dido Marshal Haig Mrs. John T. Scheepers

DARWIN TYPE 26-32 in, Aristocrat Eclipse Glacier Golden Age Margaux Princess Elizabeth Queen of the Night The Bishop

PARROT TYPE 12-28 in. Blue Parrot Fantasy Orange Favorite Sunshine

DOUBLE OR PEONY-FLOWERED TYPE Bleu Celeste 24 in. Mount Tacoma 22 in. Uncle Tom

BROKEN TYPES Several forms-Rembrandt, Bizarre, etc.

Characteristics-Comments

Tall, vigorous, large-flowered, bright Chrome-yellow, almost black base Purest white, egg-shaped flower Pink, shading to amber Brilliant scarlet, yellow at base Deep golden; large flower

Best known of all; fine color, form Soft violet-rose shading to pale edge Pure dark (blood) red; one of the best White, yellow anthers; giant flower Golden yellow, almost arange Wine-red, lighter edge; huge flower Soft rose-pink; beautiful Deep velvety maroan, almost black Violet-purple; handsome

Big flowers, ragged petals, weakish stems Violet, shaded steel-blue Rose-pink, petals veined greenish Bright orange, edged yellow, flecked green Bright yellow with greenish veining

New; large open flowers; effective Violet-purple Pure white Deep red, almost to black

Developed from Cottage, Darwin, etc.; flowers striped and splashed

O ne of the real signs of spring is the brilliant display of tulips around many suburban homes, as well as in parks and other public places. Many people who admire them, even though not garden-minded, wish they had some around their homes. Why don't they? Well, in some cases because, at flowering time when the urge is strongest, bulbs cannot be had for planting. Others mean to buy some but, by planting time, forget their good intentions. Remember that, though spring may be the beginning of the gardening year, next spring (as far as tulips are concerned) begins right now, this fall. There is ample time to plant before hard frost arrives, but none to lose in deciding what to plant and where to plant it, in making up a list, and in sending in an order.

No flower is more foolproof than the tulip, calls for less specialized knowledge and skill, and, normally, is troubled by fewer enemies. Few home grounds lack suitable conditions—namely, a good garden soil, plenty of sunlight, and good drainage. Tulips will not tolerate wet feet nor do well in shade. Their flowering season starts in April (or, if the spring is mild, even in March) with the species, or Botanical kinds. The Early Singles and Doubles carry on through April and are followed by the Mayflowering varieties which often last until Memorial Day. This last (and by far most popular) class includes the Darwin, Cottage (and Lily-flowered), Breeder, Parrot, Triumph, Rembrandt, Bizarre, and Bybloemen types and also the fairly new Late Double or Peony-flowered. The first four or five are the most widely grown, the rest having a more or less specialized appeal for connoisseurs. Parrot tulips, though May-flowering, are really distinct with gracefully fringed and wavy petals and enormous blooms that are at their best when wide open. Their brilliant colors and lack of formality give an exotic touch to any garden. The modern Lilyflowered hybrids, usually included in the Cottage class, have long, slender, graceful flowers and tapering petals that flare in lilylike fashion. Much hybridization has made it difficult to keep the former classifications distinct, so many dealers now list simply Early and May-flowering kinds; this seems sensible and is certainly less confusing for the average buyer of tulips.

What kinds and how many to buy will be determined partly by the space available, partly by your budget. As with other plants, large sums can be spent for rare novelties, but there are plenty of fine standard varieties (a few are listed in the table) to be had at reasonable prices. If you cannot afford all you would like, do not be tempted by so-called "bargain offers." That way lies PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 146



Late Double-"MOUNT TACOMA"



Breeder-"ORANGE DELIGHT"









Single Early - "PRINS CARNAVAL"

Cottage-"MIMOSA"



Darwin-"PRINCESS ELIZABETH"







How to Dress a Window



ROOMS 1, 2, 4 PHOTOGRAPHED AT RICH'S, ATLANTA ROOM 3 PHOTOGRAPHED AT L. BAMBERGER & CO., NEWARK

here's been another swing 'round in window fashions-with the result that well-dressed windows are looking oh-so-rich and oh-so-handsome, these days. Not so long ago, you weren't supposed to have valances, or festoons, or fringes-just wallto-wall draperies hanging straight from the ceiling and as full as you could afford to make them-simple, and very prodigal in their own way. Now, such treatments are wonderful in modern rooms where wall-wide windows are met at the top by the low part of a pitched roof. But they look just plain silly when the ceiling is high, or the window is narrow, or, for some other reason, you get an awkward gape of wall showing above the window. You just have to have a valance in a case like that, so the valance staged a comeback, and picked up a number of clever tricks on the way. When you use one with draperies, don't forget the lesson the wall-to-wall variety taught you-make your draperies plenty full (at least double fullness), for stringy little side "drapes" are still a thing of the past.

1 The valance has learned to turn corners and frame three sides of a window for a trim treatment which makes the most of a froth of sash curtains—an excellent way to let in the light and block out a bad outlook. Frames like this may be made of wallboard or plywood, with the fabric tacked on. Make it yourself if Dad has a jigsaw and a steady hand, and if Mom is deft enough to make a good job of covering intricate curves

2 A plain valance may look awkward if you want it to reach from window top to ceiling of a high room. Here's a gracious solution: top the valance handsomely with a piece of crown molding onto which fabric is pasted with wallpaper paste. Note niceness of padded scallops at the bottom, richness of crewel-embroidered linen, another old favorite which it's so nice to see again!

3 The French festoon, complete with cascade and fringe, lends its opulence to windows again. Here, dark green satin is lined with lighter green, and one cascade is light-side out for added shimmer. Tieback draperies play a return engagement—but don't rob them of splendor by making them skimpy. Note that curtains echoing wall's tone are richer than white would have looked here

4 There's no news in this kind of curve on a valance bottom, but see what excellent sense it makes at the top, when valance doesn't reach ceiling. Don't miss heavy outline of padding

> You can dress a window in shutters every bit as well as you can dress it with fabric, and using several tiers allows great variety. Short café curtains add softness





Fall is the time to Build



s you enjoyed your garden last summer, how many times did you think H of additional features which would add to the charm, or the livability, or the usefulness of your property? Fall, when the need for them is still fresh in your mind, is an ideal time to make such improvements as the half-dozen we show here. It's a more leisurely time than spring when so many hours must be spent in actual gardening, and it's a more comfortable season for outdoor work than is winter. What's more, the ground is in good shape for digging, and planting can be done, but needn't be done on the minute as it must in the spring. Paint dries well, and bothersome bugs are fewer-and the fine autumn weather invites you to get started!

1. HAVEN IN A GARDEN: Curved, legless bench is made of $1'' \ge 2''$ redwood strips, set on edge $\frac{1}{2}''$ apart, and supported, cantileverwise, by $4'' \ge 6''$ tapered redwood beams set right into brick wall 3' apart



2. CARDEN POOL for goldfish, lilies, or reflecting, creates a center of interest. See how effectively this one serves to terminate the brick wall and paved terrace, to separate them from the rest of the garden

3. HANDSOME, SIMPLE GATES to mark the entrance to the driveway of a modern or ranch house, and excellent with a postand-rail fence. (Note that even the shadow of the one that doesn't show is interesting)

4. SOPHISTICATED CATE for a Georgian or French house also blends well with a postand-rail fence. Note how ball motif is picked up from post tops and repeated at the top of each round gate picket

5. LEAD UP TO A FLACGED PATH with a flight of stone steps—but don't leave them bare. Note that these are planted so skillfully that both plants and stones look as if they had been there forever

6. MATCH STEPS TO RAISED BEDS: Step made of two 2" x 6" redwood planks, separated for looks and drainage by a 2" x 2". Raised bed for violas is made of split redwood with a 1" x 8" redwood cap

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Pattern for a Change

DOROTHY LAMBERT TRUMM

Minna

This old Swedish folk-art motif is just the thing to give a bright new look to such dated items as Victorian cupboards. We made it into a painting pattern with a repeat border. Pattern 1370

Make a plant bracket to decorate any hard-to-fill wall space. Our blueprint pattern, with its full-sized cut-outs, leads you by the hand. Pattern **1251**

Lamps as handsome as this come high when you buy them, so making one on your own is a sound investment of time. Base is a carboy fitted with electric fixture. Shade is decked with our carnation motif. Pattern 1296

> Throughout this land, hundreds of pleasant streets are lined with thousands of houses as dreary as this was houses which belong to the Victorian "Life with Father" era. Whether or not they were good for Great-grandpa, they're too stiff, too dark, too dour for us. But Gramps built well, and expansively, so his houses are often too sound to tear down, too spacious to pass up—and too stolid to live in. To live in as is, that is. But here you can see how the deft use of color and pattern alone can remodel such a house without tearing down walls. Just paint out the bad features and highlight the good. Take the bay window, for instance—it was the pride of this room when it was new, and it still is its best feature dressed in a modern manner, draped in a printed fabric which matches the wallpaper exactly—and note how the drapery treatment is echoed in another room. The Victorians never brought sunlight into a house as we did here by splashing the sun's color on the walls, but see how such a play of color and pattern transformed this room into a pleasant place for moderns to live.





For a distinctive lamp, find an old black canister of pleasing square shape (they aren't rare), drill holes in cover and bottom, insert a length of threaded pipe and a doublesocket electric fixture. Then garnish this base with our old-fashioned floral motif of roses, forget-me-nots and tulips, pointed up by scrolls of gold—Painting Pattern 1312P

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he Victorians doted on heavy, dark woodwork, and their elaborate built-in cupboards look just plain forbidding to us. But restrain that impulse to tear them out, for they are the ancestors of the built-ins we dote on today-and a little paint and a measure of pattern can make them into decorative assets which earn their keep as storage units. This glamour treatment was in three parts: first, the cupboard was joined to the ceiling, like a modern storage wall. Then its stain was stripped off, and it was given several coats of light paint. Finally, it was graced with AMERICAN HOME Pattern 1370-a gay and timeless motif we borrowed from Sweden and translated for you.

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Juch a Cinderella-switch in her small, out-of-date bedroom would make any D girl feel like a princess. At one end, a floor-to-ceiling built-in both masks the ugly wall jog and becomes the room's most interesting feature-visually, and otherwise. It not only houses her books and the bric-a-brac she loves to garner, but it contains her record player, record collection, and a special loud-speaker as well. The furniture which lines the walls has hidden wonders: a drop-leaf desk has storage drawers and sliding glass doors; a small chest opens up to reveal a dressing table with mirror. Off-white walls and carpet and good, close-to-the-wall furniture arrangement make the small room seem much larger than it really is.



Which WASHER for



you-and Why?

"Will a portable wash sheets?"





O f all the automatic household help you can buy, the washer, which can make all the difference in your life between Blue-Monday slavery and push-button leisure, repays the most knowing consideration. When you buy other major appliances an electric range, for example—you judge by size, price, and a wealth of convenient extras—but basically, every electric range (or gas range, or refrigerator), is essentially like every other in operation. In the case of washers, however, there are fundamental differences in operation: some require your presence, others work in your absence; some types are best if you have dirty work clothes (or play clothes) to launder, others are best with delicate fabrics; some need more hot water than others; some need more water pressure; some need professional installation, others can just be moved in.

So study this Buying Guide to determine which type fits your own needs best. If you've gone into the question before, you'll note that every type has been enormously improved since the earliest washers first proclaimed freedom for women by relieving them from the one job which most vividly symbolized household drudgery—the hand-washing of clothes. Data about the washer's companion, the dryer, is coming up next month. **DOES A WASHER EAT UP HOT WATER?**

In brief, the answer is that if you have a 40-gal. hot water tank, you can use any type of washer, and some types require much less hot water than that. As to whether or not washers use more hot water than hand methods, the answer is that they don't—for a *good job* that gets clothes really clean.

The average household washer's capacity is an 8-lb. load of clothes. If you were to wash such a load by hand, and do a proper job of it, really rinsing out all of the soap or syndet, you'd need about 30 gals. of hot water (plus about 25 gals. of cold water, depending upon what is being laundered). Now, a wringer or spinner type of washer requires the same amount of hot water for a comparable job. The automatics vary in their hot-water requirements, some taking more, some less than a good hand job. But if you have an average-sized hot-water tank, you can use any automatic washer to do an average family wash. Remember that we are discussing *hot* water, for cold water is also used for part of the job. With small heaters, stagger the washer load. Laundry needn't all be done the same day, and you can do it during hours when baths aren't taken and dishes aren't washed.

WHAT ARE THE TYPES? HOW MUCH DO THEY COST?

The wringer type, the Great-grandma of them all, is still extremely popular and the least expensive to buy. Among its great improvements is the fact that the wringers are now so engineered that they are absolutely safe—they can't harm the fingers of adventurous moppets and they won't break the buttons on shirts. They can best be used in combination with two laundry tubs for speed rinsing. One wringer washer has two tubs of its own so that rinsing is done in one tub, while another load of washing is done in the other. The extraction of water by the new types of wringers is very good, so washing can go right from them into a dryer. Wringer washers are especially convenient in areas where water supply is low.

Price depends upon the size of the tub, the type of wringer, the PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 88



BUILDER: SEGAL CONSTRUCTION CO. INTERIORS BY KOOS BROS., RAHWAY, N.J.

On the Level—3 Ways!

The split-level house is a comer for the best of good reasons: it gives you more for your money—and so the American homebuying public, a canny lot, is grabbing them up faster than they can be built. That's why we went shopping for a split-level with an eye on your future, and found this honey to offer you as a Blueprint House. In northern New Jersey, where land costs are high, the man who built this frame house can't keep up with the demand for its twins at about \$16,000 each. But wherever you live, you can have it built for yourself at moderate cost—and live and grow in it for years to come (see Blueprint Order Form, page 155). And we do mean "wherever you live," for you can adapt this house to any terrain, and the concentration of windows front and back shields it from neighbors on a narrow lot.

For just about the price of a smallish, 1,100 sq.-ft., one-level house with half-basement, you get nearly 1,300 sq. ft. of living space, plus a sunlit laundry and an extra-long garage. What's more, it gives you three living areas, three different places to eat (plus a possible fourth out of doors), three bedrooms, three different entrances to control the traffic through any one room, and three levels which keep members of a growing family out of each other's hair. A big order for a small house! That's the beauty of a split-level house: it's expansive but not expensive, for it's a happy cross between the costly rambling ranch house with several wings, and the traditional two-story job which has the advantage of construction economy, and the disadvantage of long flights of stairs and a too-cramped feeling. That's why the split-level, originally designed to take advantage of a sloping lot, has proved to be so attractive that you find it springing up on meadows and plains throughout the land.

In this case, only six short steps (which you take in your stride before you can say "climb") separate one level from another—yet each is an independent area. At grade level is the work and play department: the garage, which has room on one end for a workbench; the heater-laundry room; and the good-sized recreation-TV room, a major "extra" in this plan. Six steps, and you're in the heart of the house with its sweeping L of living and dining space, its great-big windows, its tidy front entry, and its convenient back door opening onto a perfect space for a dining terrace near the charmer of a kitchen. Another six steps bring you up to the three bedrooms and bath which have the privacy and the quiet of a level of their own. Yet note that the bath is still handy to the living room.

And now that you've toured the house with us, let's go back and PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 52 With its inviting exterior of pre-stained wood shingle and painted vertical siding, this three-bedroom, split-level house would look well, and fit well, on any terrain. Below, you see where a terrace could be built in the rear. The door, opening from the dining room, and hard-by the kitchen, already exists





When it has only six steps, a flight of stairs scares no one. Yet this, leading from living room to bedroom level, puts each part of the house on its own. A similar flight, descending to the recreation room, keeps the recreation in its place-it can't disturb moppets sleeping upstairs

This house has

- 3 bedrooms
- . 3 living areas
- 3 good places to eat .
- 3 entrances
- built-ins in 4 rooms
- garage with space for workbench

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On the Level (Begins on page 50)



It's gay enough to charm a bride—and good enough to win the complete approval of an experienced homemaker who knows that beauty in the kitchen means more than mere looks. Here the modern equipment is compactly arranged, there's plenty of pine cabinets where they are needed, and there's a cheerful corner for dining

examine some of it in detail-with especial attention to that ground-level, all-purpose room which you couldn't have in a one-level house of this size, at this price. The need for a family room, in addition to the living room, is making itself felt more and more among families who try to get along without it-for no matter what "areas" you plan, if you try to combine the elements of a gracious living room and a let-your-hair-down family retreat in a single room, you end up with something which is neither completely gracious nor completely relaxing. So furnish this one for Papa, and put the TV set here-and then just watch the extra jobs the room will take on. For one thing, the daybed, where Papa takes his nap, makes it a guestroom as well. Then, what more perfect place could there be for the kids to play indoors in bad weather? Let them raise their rumpus here-neither you nor your living room need turn a hair. And when Junior gets the measles, what better "isolation" ward could there be than this cheerful room, away from the other youngsters? You're having two couples in of an evening? Set up a bridge table, let those who will, watch TV-and bring your snacks down and serve them right here. Or turn this room over to teen-agers while you entertain upstairs. A perfect spot, too, for family Sunday-night suppers.

A second room for living brings back a pleasantly old-





These three pictures take you from the front door through the sweep of L-shaped living-dining area. The space itself is good and large for such a house, but we decorated it to make even more of its natural endowments. Note how both large windows are hung with sheer curtains and outlined with simple draperies

Shutter-motif paper used on one wall of the living room creates an illusion of space beyond. Note the adroit mixture of traditional and modern furniture here

Dining-room paper continues illusion: shutters might open onto just such a scene. Note how same carpet, same window treatment unifies the two distinct rooms

fashioned state of affairs, for the real living room takes on the role of "best parlor"-as elegant as you like, but so much more friendly than the tiptoearound-in parlor used to be. If you furnish that downstairs retreat with your old living-room furniture, then start from scratch in the living room proper (Papa will be so tickled with that recreation room, he won't put up much of a fuss). We made the upstairs living room informal enough to spell "Welcome," and added a big dash of dignity to discourage Junior from tracking mud through it (he needn't do so, since he can enter the house from the rear near the kitchen, or from downstairs through the garage). See how we mixed modern with maple, how we used few accessories but chose them with care-for importance and imposing scale.

The living room, dining room, and kitchen are graced by a pleasant built-in which doesn't show in our pictures: the L-shaped wall which divides the kitchen from these rooms sports a series of shelves, backed by obscured glass so the light pours through to highlight your books, knickknacks, or the collection you can display here.





Unlike most basement recreation rooms, this one gets its full share of daylight, has a big closet to boot. It's a fine playroom for small-fry and their friends by day, for parents and their pals by evening, and for the whole family at any time. The daybed which makes it cozy for family lounging, adapts it to overnight guests

The smallest bedroom is a perfect guestroom-den, or a livingbedroom for a lucky teen-ager. Note built-in cabinet above the desk, with one shelf for books, three for storage. Don't miss the optical illusions which enlarge it: draping the side walls makes the window seem wider, shingle-pattern paper, with fake vines on one wall, makes room seem part of the outdoors beyond

THE HOUSE ITSELF WASN'T TOUCHED: They roofed over the whole porch, brought it closer to the ground, enclosed it with screen. But not a wall went up nor down to make this house look wider, more graceful, more imposing—and to give it a spacious and much-needed outdoor living room

Out of Date Bungalow

Only the face was changed here—

but in terms of increased comfort and living space

-as well as in improved appearance-

this remodeling was much more than skin deep

Sure, the After looks better than the Before—but that's only the half of it—for what really happened here was that, in bringing the house up to date in appearance (and its looks were improved about 1,000 per cent), the once-idle front porch was transformed into a very much used outdoor room which doubles the living-room space of this house and makes life in warm weather a pleasant experience. And all of this was accomplished without building new walls or foundations.

Though the house is excellent inside, the exterior was a mistake from the beginning—and not only because it lacks distinction. It was built in 1935, and like thousands of houses of similar design put up at that period—it shouldn't have been! The massive-looking front porch was nothing but a misbegotten offspring of the porte-cochere of Victorian mansions. Now, the porte-cochere did a job in its day, but front porches which imitate it do not: this one was too cramped and dinky to sit out on, too public to furnish for comfort, and it was all out of proportion, eating up the whole street side of a bungalow. To make matters worse,



OWNERS: COL. AND MRS. GEORGE G. SMITH, HOUSTON, TEXAS ARCHITECT: LAVONÉ DICKENSHEETS ANDREWS, A.I.A.

Puts up a New Front

this one was built in Houston, Texas, where the weather is pleasant enough to invite sitting out of doors nearly the whole year 'round—if you have a screened-in place to sit. This house had no such blessing.

Col. and Mrs. George G. Smith, who acquired it some years ago, engaged architect Lavoné D. Andrews to set matters to rights, and she did so superbly, as you can see in the illustration above. She built a usable, roofed-over porch the full width of the house, and she lowered the porch level to increase its spaciousness. She masked the center portion with wood siding to make an imposing entry, blessed with a louvered door to let in the breeze. She then made the porch into a really welcoming retreat, any hour of the day, any day of the year, by screening it with a smart kind of aluminum screen—the kind that's made of tiny louvers which deflect the sun, let you look out, but are hard for passers-by to see through. If your house has an outdated façade of this type, you could do as the Smiths did—or go a step further: that gable entry could be a vestibule, and you could have a porch on either side—one for dining, one for lounging; or one for parents, one for small fry.

But the thing you notice first about this remodeling—the way it improves the appearance of the house—is, of course, an important part of its accomplishment, and it took an architect with an artist's eye to achieve it. You notice at once that it now looks wide, and inviting, and well rooted to its site, where it once looked narrow, hunched over, and restless, for all that it was heavy and fussy. It is now really well balanced, almost classical in its simplicity, and the plain wooden supports of the porch suggest a columned portico, but without pretentious airs. The gabled entry now pulls it together and gives it accent and meaning and the wood, painted a warm beige-gray, is so much more at home here than was the ornate brick, worked into arches massive enough to support a cathedral. There's improved landscaping, too, for instead of leading straight from the street to the front door, a pink brick path invites you through a brick gateway, and for a stroll through the garden before you get to the house. Asphalt shingles on low-pitched roofs may be ruffled up by driving winds that force rain and





Shingle can be fastened in place by cementing it to the shingle below. Put a couple of dabs of roofing cement or compound on the shingle in the lower course and then press the raised shingle down into place



Improperly or inadequately nailed shingles can be pulled loose by a driving wind or an accumulation of ice and snow. Working on the roof in hot weather when the shingles are soft will also tear them loose

Jet your Roof in Shape MORE HOW-TO PICTURES ON PAGE 112

By the time you settle down with your next issue of AMERICAN HOME, your house should be all set to go another few rounds with winter. Give top priority to unfinished outside painting, for exposed wood takes a beating from snow, ice, rain, and sleet. Get awnings and screens down and the sashes up, while the weather is still mild. Drain outside sill cocks and outside water pipes, and insulate the pipes in unheated areas. Go over the outside of the house, and fill any of the cracks or open seams, for frost forming in these spots can do much damage. Caulking compound is fine for the large seams, and white lead thinned with turpentine will do for the small ones. Cracks in the concrete and faulty mortar joints between brick or masonry blocks should be cut out and patched with fresh mortar. Remove dead branches from trees near the house and be sure that shutters, TV and radio aerials, trellises, etc., are securely fastened. Also be sure not to forget the roof and gutters. We show you the attention they need right on these pages.

How to Get



Sweep gutters clean of leaves and debris with an old brush or whisk broom. If there are many nearby trees, repeat this several times during the autumn



Dirt and rust, etc., can be removed by brushing gutters with a stiff wire brush. Galvanized-iron gutters won't rust if the inside is painted with a metal primer followed by outside paint



Clogged downspouts can be cleaned out by a coil spring-steel auger of the type used for clearing obstructions in the house drainage system. Flush downspout with hose after removing obstruction



Gutters should be hosed down from time to time to remove thin deposits of soot that become highly corrosive to metal when damp. This also gives you a chance to check gutter for proper pitch

Clean and Repair the Gutters MORE HOW-TO PICTURES ON PAGE 145

Doto from Robert L. Hering



To renail the loose shingle, nails on the lower portion of the shingle above must be carefully removed. Push the loose shingle back into the correct position and then renail both shingles using asphalt shingle nails



Torn shingles can be caused by the same factors that account for loose shingles or by heavy objects such as branches falling on roof. They should be repaired at once, for strong winds will make them worse



A tear or leak can be repaired by applying a thin coat of roofing cement to the shingle below, and then slipping a piece of copper or heavy roofing paper up the torn shingle

Your House Ready for Winter

HUBBARD COBB



utters should have uniform slope towards ownspout. They can be adjusted by ending hangers. Make sure that outside dge of the gutter is lower than the utside edge of the roof



Asphaltum paint makes a good protective finish for both wood and galvanized-iron gutters. Aluminum, stainless steel, and copper gutters don't require this kind of protective finish



Leaks in a gutter should be patched immediately, for they cause stains to appear on the walls of the house. First, apply a coat of plastic roofing cement to the area around the leak



Cut a patch from canvas or heavy roofing paper. Make it more than large enough to cover damaged area, and force it into roofing cement on gutter



Get Ready for Winter (Begins on page 56)

Moisture forming on cold-water pipes can be eliminated if the pipes are covered with insulation to keep the warm moist air away from the cold metal. Asbestos air-cell insulation is effective for this purpose Moisture content of the air can be decreased by lowering the setting of the heater humidifier or by installing a dehumidifier which removes excess moisture from the house air

Condensation or, if you prefer, sweat, is what happens when the temperature of warm moist air is lowered by the air coming in contact with a cold surface such as an outside wall, water pipe, or window pane. As the air is cooled, it can't hold all that moisture and so some of it is left on the cold surface either as a liquid or as frost.

You can do a lot towards controlling excess condensation. One way is to lower the moisture content of the indoor air. Don't let steam from kitchen or bath remain indoors but get rid of it with exhaust fans. Don't hang wet wash to dry indoors and don't have too many potted plants about. Keep the humidifier on your furnace low, and, if necessary, use a dehumidifier. From the standpoint of health, humidity should be around 40 per cent.

Another way to control condensation is to keep the warm air away from cold surfaces. Insulate outside walls or cover the inside surface of them with insulating board. Cover coldwater pipes and use storm sashes or insulating glass on windows.

To eliminate condensation on roof or attic, louvers should be installed at the highest point possible above the insulation. Louvers should be left open in the cold weather. The insulation below will prevent heat loss

Insulation must have a vapor barrier to keep moist air from siding and outside paint. When barrier cannot be applied with insulation, paint inside walls with aluminum paint followed by finish paint





Condensation on the outside of flush tanks can be cured by bringing warm water into the tank. A special fitting is used to connect a hot-water line to the cold-water supply to the tank



Steam and frost on window glass can usually be corrected if storm sashes are installed. Storm sashes should be fitted with vents at base to allow moist air to flow outdoors



*You can see it at: Dallas, Oct. 4–19, Lone Star Gas Co. exhibit at Texas State Fair. Atlantic City, Oct. 27–31, American Gas Association Convention, Convention Hall. Hartford, Conn., from Sept. 25, G. Fox & Co. Chicago, Jan. 1953, AGA New Freedom Gas Kitchen exhibit at American Home Builder's Show.

YOU CAN BUILD THIS WORKBENCH FROM OUR PATTERN

How to Keep Dad in the Kitchen

A ppealing, isn't it? But there's more than a picture behind Dad's presence in AMERICAN HOME'S Hobby Kitchen 2, shown in detail on the following pages. We decided that while Living Kitchens are fine, Hobby Kitchens are better, for they not only invite the whole family in—they give each member a darned good reason for wanting to be there. So when we planned this one to show you in pictures here, and in person in various parts of the country,* we made the laundry area double as a hobby center you use all week long.

It's a natural spot for Mom's hobbies—but we want Dad's hobby here, too, so we incorporated the most popular, compact, tidy, and efficient workbench and tool panel we ever published—one he can build for himself from our Blueprint Construction Patterns **2000—01**. Once it's his, this is where

EDITH RAMSAY

he'll spend his spare time fixing everything in the house, and turning out beauties on his own. Of course this is Mom's hobby room too, and we have plenty, but plenty, for her here —including that rocker upholstered in a high-hat decorator fabric, vegetable bedecked. We fashioned curtains to match —and then we turned the fabric's engaging motif into a bewitching border design that would do you proud anywhere (AMERICAN HOME Pattern **1443**, see next page). Few youngsters can think of a better hobby than being permitted to lend a hand to yours—but we included a toy shelf here, just in case.

However, fond as we are of it, the cozy family area is strictly an extra. Believe us, the business part of this kitchen came first, and to see how good it is—

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Keep Dad in the Kitchen (Begins on page 59)

THIS KITCHEN WORKS AS WELL AS IT LOOKS. CHECK ITS GOOD POINTS AGAINST YOUR OWN KITCHEN'S:

- It's a "just reach out for it" kitchen, thanks to compact arrangement of appliances and cabinets (see plan below).
- You can store everything, including Grandma's china, here: There are 160 linear feet of storage space in closed cabinets, all of it well "engineered" —for example, there are 4 Lazy-Susan cabinets, 6 feet of shelf for spices, 8 drawers.
- **V** You can s-t-r-e-t-c-h yourself out, for there are 28 sq. ft. of beautiful resilient counter top, 4 sq. ft. of solid maple cutting block.
- You have two distinct work areas, each served by its own cabinets. One, to left of sink, near refrigerator and dining room, is used for sorting, for getting down dishes, for making salads, and the like. Cabinets above and below hold china, glassware, and groceries that need no cooking.
- You prepare foods for cooking in area between sink and range. Chopping block is here, and plenty of counter. For small appliances, there are several electrical outlets, including one on range. Cabinets hold groceries, spices, wealth of pots and pans. There are drawers for orderly stashing.
- You can shop for a week at a time, for the II-cu.-ft., self-defrosting, two-temperature gas refrigerator has 2 cu. ft. of zero-cold storage for home-cooked victuals or "boughten" packaged frozen goods.
- **Your cooking is timed automatically** at the gas range which packs four burners and a full-size oven and broiler into a compact 30 inches. Storage compartment is ample for the everyday pots and pans.
- Ventilator cabinet over range (see page 94) also serves laundry equipment. Half of it can be used for dry-cereal storage or to warm serving dishes. Its companion, over refrigerator, has no blower, provides dry storage, has swing-out baskets for easy access.
- Cleaning up is automatic—Your sink complete with dishwasher and garbage disposer, can even be operated by your Helper, j.g.

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Patterns for your hobby Kitchen

Here's the pattern of plenty we borrowed from a decorator fabric and turned into a motif for a soffit or wall area at home in the kitchen—or elsewhere. You can paint it from our Pattern 1443



We think it's a good plan to divide your kitchen and laundry up into a series of small areas, each one complete. Here, at area to the left of the sink, you prepare foods for refrigerating, make salads and uncooked dishes, sort and store your china and glass. Cooking area to right of the sink is compact—and absolutely complete. Note such details as file at the right of the range for knives and holder for a small electric mixer to be used at the range. The laundry equipment shown at your far right shows just why you can build a hobby area into a modern kitchen: the automatic washer and drier make such short shrift of a good job of laundering that the laundry area is used only a few hours a week and might as well be given an additional role to play in your family's life SEE PATTERN ORDER FORM ON PAGE 157



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1. "Accent," a white dinnerware by Knowle, simple enough to look expensive, is \$3.49 for 16-piece service for four—dinner plates, bread and butter plates, cups and saucers. Cloth is a new plastic Textureprint in stripes of non-tarnishable gold, plus your choice of red, green, or brown. 54" x 54" cloth and four rayon napkins, \$2.98. 54" x 72" cloth and six napkins, \$3.98. Paragon Art and Linen Company. 8. NOVEL REFRIGERATOR-

5. "Tuffy," 1-hp, two-wheeled power unit from S. L. Allen's Planet Jr. line, works year 'round. Geared low to give maximum power, it is easily operated at comfortable walking speed by throttle and clutch lever on handle. Simple hitch attachment for interchanging plow, cultivator disc, seeder, fertilizer spreader, flat-bed trailer cart, lawn mower, or snowplow. \$107 F.O.B. factory, excluding attachments.

7. SHARPENS KNIVES AT THE RIGHT ANGLE

> 9. STEP ON A PEDAL-OUT POPS THE BROILER

ALL PRICES ARE APPROXIMATE

lave you Seen These?

2. Check your towels. These by Martex come in a new houndstooth pattern; white with avocado, spruce, walnut, charcoal, or apricot. Many sizes. Bath size, \$3.00. Same colors available in solids to mix or match -\$3.95 for the bath size.

3. "Ceratile" by Cambridge Tile Co. offers something new in the way of color and texture, and the styling of these fine clay tiles is remarkably good. We show seven of the 34 patterns available, and the choice of modern or traditional is wide."

4. "Chevron Tweed," cotton chenille bedspread by Cabin Crafts, gets out of the pastels and into the stronger tones with fashion-wise brown, peacock, brick, emerald, avocado, bright red, gray, and gold. Single size, \$13.95; double, \$14.95. 6. To pique jaded appetites and please any eye, "Gourmet" set in subdued shades of green has a different menu on each plate. 8 plates (10" size), 8 cups, 8 saucers, \$24.95. W. & J. Sloane.

7. You just can't go wrong sharpening knives with the Shur-edge Sharpening Stick. A carborundum stone set in a natural maple-wood block prevents you from sharpening at any but the right angle. End blocks minimize the danger of cutting yourself. \$1.95. Robeson Cutlery.

8. This 2-cu.-ft. refrigerator by Servel makes itself at home anyplace. All-metal construction with dark or blond wood-tone finish. Use it as an end table, or remove legs to place PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 114



14. TWO-DOOR CHIMES



13. CARVED RUGS, PARED-DOWN PRICES 10. SHOWER FLOOR, SAFE AND SEEMLY



11. IT HEATS, IT'S A LIGHT

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FLOWER ARRANGEMENT BY BETTY B. MERRIAM

This fall arrangement for buffet combines yellow chrysanthemums and fruit in a green ceramic bowl with divider providing a water well and dry area for fruit. Begin by inserting tallest spray of podocarpus in pin holder in rear for background line

Continue to build rhythmic line with additional podocarpus sprays. Fugi chrysanthemums of any type—spidery, spoon, small, and round—are effective with podocarpus and should be kept in deep water until ready to use



Add chrysanthemums in spiral—twining faces away rather than head on for greater depth. A few sprays of castor-bean pods placed at lower left add texture interest. Castor beans are easily grown in home garden if space permits

Quinces and pears pick up the color of the chrysanthemums and are placed in dry part of container. Though different in texture, they're thoroughly congenial with other elements in this fall composition

Soon fruit will take over the role of flowers in bedecking your table, but did you ever consider how handsome, and how logical, it is to combine fruit and flowers, to select fruits pale or bright to make close harmony, or good counterpoint, with the floral theme? Of course, such a combination needs a container which keeps flowers wet and fruit dry. Any divided vegetable dish will do, though one with a curved divider inspires the most interesting arrangements. However, a small container placed in a larger one does the trick nicely. The podocarpus forming the background of this arrangement is a subtropical evergreen—if your florist doesn't stock it, sprays of yew (Taxus) give much the same effect. The castor bean (Ricinus) whose dark, spiny seed pods we used here, is an annual which springs into an exotic plant, six to ten feet tall. Some gardeners swear by efficiency of its poisonous seeds in repelling moles—others deny it.

Two Part Harmony

America's Favorite Soup-Prepare it these two ways!

(left) CREAM OF TOMATO — Blend with milk for a rich, delicious cream soup that's extra nourishing. (right) TOMATO —For the zesty flavor and tempting color of redripe tomatoes just add water.



ANNE MARSHALL Director Home Economics Campbell Soup Company Baffled about a meal? Stay out too long? Hurried...? Guests pop in unexpectedly? Meals grow easily around versatile Tomato Soup. Whatever you serve with it seems to belong: plain or toasted sandwiches...a salad...both—or maybe just with a dessert.

Here's a soup worth thinking about! It fits so nicely into food plans, for this tangy purée of field-ripened tomatoes is always welcomed.

As Soup for Lunch

Luscious, sun-ripened tomatoes, creamery butter and gentle seasonings make it ideal to serve in such a menu as this:

Tomato Soup Egg Salad Sandwich Peach Pie Tea

As a Lift for Hamburgers

Turn to TOMATO SOUP

It helps you and your meal planning in so many, many ways.

BY Anne Marshall

Try this grand tomato-onion gravy: Remove cooked hamburgers from skillet. Add ½ cup each of minced onion and diced celery to meat drippings. Season to taste. Cook until tender. Add 1 can tomato soup. Heat thoroughly. More... Tomato Soup is a sauce of endless possibilities. Velvet-smooth ... in and on foods it adds color-zip, taste-zest! Soufflés, casseroles, special dishes—respond to the tomato touch.

So turn to Tomato Soup ... wonderful, warm and glowing. Serve it—as a soup, as a sauce, as a cooking ingredient. It's the simple, inexpensive way of introducing that grand tomato taste year 'round.

As a Sauce for Macaroni

Tomato Soup makes the perfect cooking sauce for a macaroni and cheese casserole. Use condensed tomato soup in place of old-fashioned white sauce. It's more colorful... tangy. What a treat for the family.



A good cook keeps a full Soup Shelf.

Good Victuals

STUFFED BREAST OF DUCK BURGUNDY BREAD

JEAN AUSTIN

MOUSSE OF PHEASANT

PLUM AND NUT PIE



In the royal kitchens of the Middle Ages, the cooking of game was considered an art worthy of the greatest skill and ingenuity, and one of the earliest receipts to come down to us we give you herewith in verse form—a game pie, as prepared in 14th-century France by Gaces de la Bigne, first chaplain of Kings John, Charles V, and Charles VI.

Now, were you asked to make a pie like this, your reluctance would be understandable. But look, please, at our butcher's bill above. And if you will, please, multiply these figures by two, and you will not be far from the figures on the right-hand side of the menu in any famous gourmet restaurant catering to connoisseurs of fine eating. Am I not, then, justified in entreating you to revere Dad's bag



HASENPFEFFER MIT KARTOFFEL KLOESSE

of game as you would a pot of gold? The cooking of game takes knowing, but not necessarily a professional chef's skill. The dressing of game is somewhat tedious, but it takes no more time—probably not as much—than many fancy salads et cetera that you do regularly for company fare. Make one of these game recipes a *spécialité*, and I'll wager you'll come back for the others. Here is cooking that will bring you fame, my fastidious lady, and give your huntsman the pleasurable thrill of knowing his skill at the game is matched only by yours . . .

Two completely original recipes have I evolved for this month's Good Victuals, and full of vainglorious pride am I. Not often can a cook lay claim to something really new.

- Put me in the middle of the pie three young partridges large and fat;
- But take good care not to fail to take six fine quail to put by their side.
- After that you must take a dozen skylarks, which round the quail you must place;
- And then you must take some thrushes and such other little birds as you can get to garnish the pie.
- Further, you must provide yourself with a little bacon which must not be in the least rank (reasty), and you must cut it into pieces of the size of a die, and sprinkle them into the pie.
- If you want it to be in quite good form, you must put some sour grapes in and a very little salt . . .
- ... Have eggs put into the paste, and the crust made rather hard of the flour of pure wheat.

Put in neither spice

nor cheese . . . Put it into the oven just at the proper heat,

The bottom of which must be quite free from ashes; And when it is baked enough, isn't that a dish to feast on!

GAME SOUP



On a bed of sliced oranges and lemons with a surround of savory fried rice (wild rice. if you can afford it) brightened with shreds of grated orange peel, breasts of duck are rolled 'round an incomparable dressing of giblets, prunes, apple and ginger, raisins and candied fruits, crushed chestnuts and port wine. That's Prideful #1. Second, my version of an English game pie, ever so much simpler than the medieval receipt, gay as the four-and-twenty blackbirds baked in the nurseryrhyme pie: six plump quail nestling against apples, soft and sweet, a big blob of butter and chopped parsley popped right in you know where, a sprinkling of applejack, and twelve little legs bursting through a flaky crust. That's my baby, and fun it was to get a-bornin', and what a terrific

conversation piece it can be for you!

Hasenpfeffer can be mediocre—and it can be very, very good. This is very good indeed—the hare tender, the gravy rich, the Kartoffel Kloesse light and delicious. Rabbit, plentiful and available—including your butcher shop—is inexpensive, and our recipe not onerous. Why not make it your buffet special throughout the winter? A bright change 'twould be from the eternal cold roasts and the usual go-withs!

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QUAIL PIE



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GAME PÂTÉ

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YOU'LL NEED:

Cut cheese into ¼-inch strips. Melt 2 ths. butter or margarine, add ¼ cup chopped green pepper and cook for 3 minutes. 14 lb. process sharp cheese

Add 14 cup top milk or cream and cheese Cook over low heat until cheese is melted. strips.

Top milk or light cream

Green pepper

Prepared mustard

Onion

Butter or margarine

slices

Stir in 1 ths. mustard, 2 ths. grated onion, and Vienna sausages which have been drained.

Heat to serving temperature. Serve over toasted English muffins. sausages 1 4-oz. can Vienna 3 English muffins Originated in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN

Serves 5-6

Cheddar-burger loaf •

Preparation Time: 15 minutes

YOU'LL NEED:

1/2-lb. pkg. process sharp 1 lb. ground beef Ketchup Green peppers Onions cheese Bread Eggs

Serves 8

Cut 6 ½-inch cubes from package of cheese. Grate remaining cheese and mix lightly with 1 cup chopped green peppers, ½ cup grated onions, 4 cups soft bread crumbs, 3 eggs, slightly beaten, meat, ¼ cup ketchup, 1 tp.

salt and $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. pepper. Pack into a greased $9'' \ge 5'' \ge 3''$ baking pan. Spread $\frac{1}{4}$ cup ketchup over meat mixture. Top with cheese cubes.

Bake at 350° F. for 40 minutes or until done.

Originated in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN

Swiss beans •

Preparation Time: 15 minutes

YOU'LL NEED:

Heat green beans to serving temperature; drain. Melt 2 tbs. butter or margarine, blend in 2 tbs.

14 tsp. pepper, 1 tsp. sugar,

Add I cup sour cream gradually and cook, stir-

and 1/2 tsp. grated onion.

flour, I tsp. salt,

ring constantly until thickened.

Fold in green beans.

casserole.

1 lb. green beans, Frenched and cooked or 1 %2 can green beans, French-style Butter or margarine All-purpose flour

1/2 pt. sour cream 1/2-lb pkg. process Swiss Onion

cheese

Serves 6

Grate cheese and sprinkle on top of casserole. Place casserole under broiler for 5 minutes or until cheese is melted.

Pour green bean mixture into a greased 1 1/2-qt.

Originated in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN

YOU'LL NEED:

Butter or margarine 1/2 pt. heavy cream 1/2-lb. pkg. process American 1/2 dozen eggs 1 lb. mushrooms cheese slices Sherry

Hard-cook eggs, shell, and cut in halves. Cut mushrooms into lengthwise slices. Sauté in ¼ cup butter or margarine until tender. Add 1 cup cream and shredded cheese slices. Cook over low heat until cheese is melted. Add 1 tsp. salt and ¼ tsp. pepper.
Remove from heat and ¼ cup sherry. Pour sauce over egg halves.

Originated in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN

Serves 6

tuna-pimiento pot pie

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YOU'LL NEED:

Butter or margarine Green pepper Onions

1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup Milk 1/2-lb. pkg. process pimiento 1 61/2-oz. can chunk-style cheese slices tuna fish

Biscuit mix Pimientoes

Serves 6

Preparation Time: 15 minutes

Sauté ½ cup chopped green pepper and ¼ cup grated onions in ¼ cup melted butter or margarine. Add soup which has been diluted with ¼ cup milk, ½ cup shredded cheese slices, and tuna which has been drained. Cook over low heat until cheese is melted.

Add $\frac{1}{24}$ cup milk to 2 cups biscuit mix. Stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead for 30 seconds. Roll into a rectangle $4^n \times 8^n$. Cut remaining cheese in strips $\frac{1}{24}^n$ wide and cover rectangle with cheese strips and $\frac{1}{24}$ cup Pour tuna mixture into a greased 1-qt. casse-role. Cut biscuit roll into six-eight slices and place over tuna mixture. Bake at 450° F. rectangle with cheese strips and 1/4 cup chopped pimientoes. Roll up like a jelly roll. 20-25 minutes.

Originated in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHEN

More cheese-meals-in-one, all tested in our AMERICAN HOME kitchen! For a blushing tomato casserole, combine 1/2 cup milk with 1 can condensed tomato soup, then add 1/2 lb. package process sharp cheese slices, shredded. Cook over low heat until cheese melts, toss with 4 cups cooked macaroni. Pour into greased 2-qt. casserole, and bake at 400° F. for 20 min. 1-2-3 version of Eggs Benedict: for each serving, place slices of process cheese on toast, top with poached egg, serve with celery sauce made by combining 1/4 cup milk with 1 can condensed cream of celery soup. For *All-American* grilled cheese sandwiches, place process sharp, American, or pimiento cheese slices between buttered bread slices. Trim crusts, brush both sides with melted butter or margarine. Brown in a skillet, cut in triangular quarters before serving. To make a hearty luncheon dish, serve sandwiches with two-three tablespoons cheese-rich sauce ladled atop: 1 can condensed tomato soup combined with I cup process sharp cheese slices, shredded. Heat slowly until cheese is melted.

Take a Package

Cheese

SWISS BEANS

MUSHROOM RABBIT

TUNA-PIMIENTO POT PIE

CHEESIE-WEENIES

CHEDDAR-BURGER LOAF

COAX THE FULL, FINE FLAVORS FROM YOUR SALADS WITH HEINZ VINEGARS! EVERY SPARKLING DROP IS MARVELOUSLY MELLOW AND FULL-BODIED - ALWAYS RELIABLY **UNIFORM IN STRENGTH!** HEINZ MAKES FOUR OF THESE SUPERIOR VINEGARS: APPLE CIDER, MALT, TARRAGON AND DISTILLED WHITE, FIRST CHOICE OF AMERICA'S HOME CANNERS. NEXT TIME YOU SHOP, CHOOSE YOUR FAVORITE **HEINZ VINEGAR!**

HEINZ

TARRAGON

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OU KNOW THEY'RE GOOD

How to Prepare Game for Freezing

Papa brings home the bag—and you hold it! Not so bad if your huntsman has bled and dressed the game, and you can take your freezer on as a partner. Wrappings are most important, must be really moisture-vaporproof : aluminum foil, real freezer paper, pliofilm in stockinette, plastic bags, glass, aluminum, moisture-vaporproof cartons are all good. Force as much air as possible out of package, seal tightly, label, and freeze at once in direct contact with side walls or coils. Check local conservation board about length of time to keep.



SMALL ANIMALS like rabbits and squirrels should be eviscerated, skinned, carefully wiped with damp cloth. Cut into parts, wrap, and he are the state of the state

and be sure that no sharp bones protrude to pierce freezer wraps. To make it easy to separate frozen pieces, interleave small pieces of paper between them. It pays only to freeze the thick pieces—there isn't enough meat on the rest to warrant taking up freezer space. Stew remainder at once, and freeze



DRAW BIRDS soon as possible. To remove entrails, make V-shaped cut starting back of breastbone and extending around vent. Slit neck to remove craw. Wipe, don't wash BIRDS should be plucked before

freezing. Remove wings at joint nearest body, legs at first joint. Remove feathers with paraffin (3 cakes melted in 6 qt. water is enough for 6 ducks). Immerse birds singly in melted paraffin, then plunge into ice water. When paraffin is hard, small feathers and down zip off. Then wipe, wrap, label, and freeze the birds



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P. S. Did you know that, according to the U.S. Department of Labor (May, 1952), canned fruits and vegetables have gone up in price less than half as much as "all foods" since 1935-39?

DelMonte

PEACH HALVES

PEACH LEMON BREAD PUDDING

2 cups milk
4 cups stale bread cub
lightly packed
2 egg yolks
1/2 cup sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

Grated peel and juice of 1 lemon 2 tablespoons butter, melted MERINGUE: 2 egg whites 1/4 cup sugar 1 No. 21/2 can DEL MONTE Peach Halves Jelly

Pour milk over bread. Beat egg yolks with sugar, salt, nutmeg, lemon peel and juice. Add butter and gently combine with bread. Spread in well-greased 9" baking dish, about 2" deep. Set in pan of hot water and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 45 min. Make meringue: Beat egg whites until stiff, add sugar gradually while continuing to beat. Remove pudding from oven and arrange well-drained DEL MONTE Peach Halves on top. Pile meringue unevenly all around peaches. Return to oven 15 min. to brown meringue. Serve warm, garnished with bits of jelly, if desired. Serves 6.

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Prepare Game for Freezing

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DEER; LARGE GAME: If your huntsman fancies himself a butcher, he can follow the conventional beef cuts we illustrate here. If not, turn over the butchering to your butcher or locker plant. Home butchers need a lightweight, sharp meat saw, sharp and sturdy knife with thin blade, and a cleaver. You waste nothing: loin gives roasts and steaks; chuck and rump become pot roast or ground meat; round, if tender, makes steaksif not, grind it; small legs are roasted whole like lamb; shank, neck, flank and spareribs are cut up for stew or ground. If you freeze suet



with meat, don't keep too long, for fat won't keep as long as lean meat, and it holds the gamy flavor. Larger cuts may be boned to save freezer space. Package in usable sizes.







YOU WASTE NO GAME: Grind tough cuts and make them into succulent burgers or meat loaves, freeze with paper or freezer paper between each one. Use your pet meat loaf recipe, and simply substitute venison for beef. Like all meat loaves, they're better frozen uncooked



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egg, mix well, nd form dough. Cream sugar, butter, an cottage chese. Add eg, mix well Add flour and salt and form dough Roll out on floured board. Cut in squares. Place pitted fruit in the center of a square and wrap dough around. Plnch top. Place in salted bolling water. (If canned fruit is used, add juice to this water.) It takes 10-15 min. steaming. Drain diment. open. break and break buttered dumplings a tops with 1

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veal stew (a cheapie)

1 lb. cut-up veal shoulder 2 cups water Celery stalk, parsley 1 bayleaf 6 whole cloves I bayleaf 6 whole cloves 1/2 tsp. thyme 1/8 tsp. nutmeg Salt and pepper 8 or 10 small onions 1 egg yolk Juice of 1/2 lemon

Sear meat in a Dutch oven. Add all ingredients except the lemon juice and egg yolk. Simmer 11/2 hours. Place onions and meat on a hot plate. Strain stock. Melt 2 tbs. fat in pan and blend in 2 tbs. flour. Add 2 cups of stock. Beat into gravy the beaten egg yolk, then lemon juice. Pour over meat and onions for delicious stew.

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embers of the Cheapies Club, please come to order. Our meeting is about to begin. I want first of all to tell you how proud I am of our club. Because we go to press so very much in advance, this is my first opportunity to tell you of my great pleasure in your nice letters, and of how delighted I was with the excellent recipes so many of you submitted. And now that I feel that I have so many friends reading the Cheapies pages every month, I would also like to tell you more about how it is all done, for I don't believe that any other food page is prepared in quite this same way. All of the behind-the-scenes work is done right in my own home kitchen. An idea is a-born, then cooked right there. Family and friends serve as willing (so far, at least) guinea pigs, and votes are cast. Once in a while, the vote is "yes" on the first ballot, so to speak. Once in a while the vote is "no!" But more often, the vote is to retest, to add a bit of this, more of that, etc. So then the dish is prepared over and over again until it merits a "yes" vote. Or perhaps the whole idea is abandoned, as not being up to snuff. The final steps of cooking and photographing are done, as for most other food pages, in the wonderfully equipped testing kitchens right here in the editorial offices of AMERICAN HOME-but until then, each Cheapie is a "home-grown" job. Thus, this page is not theory, but authentic application of daily problems of cooking-at a price.

This month, we have four veal recipes using a variety of cuts. So many people say that they don't care for veal that we can't help wondering if they have tried it in any of the many forms we like, for veal is one wonderful meat to work with. Seems to us that our Cheapies cooks would go to town with veal, for it is so adaptable. Plain cooking, no-but with icebox dibs and dabs, with a raid on the herb or spice shelf, oh, what wonderful PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 76

roast breast of veal (a cheapie)

Get breast of veal, with pocket. Put in roaster with a little water and a few strips of bacon on top. Allow 35 min. per lb. Use your favorite, or a SWEET POTATO STUFFING:

2 cups sweet potatoes 1/4 cup celery 1/4 cup anion 1 slice bacan Salt and pepper 1/4 tsp. each of allspice, mace, rosemary, G thyme

Sauté finely chopped onion and celery in fat from cooking bacon slice very crisp. Knead potatoes to a pulp, and add crumbled bacon, celery, onion, and any fat left in pan. Spice and mix well. For texture, a 1/2 cup of wheat germ may be added. Or try this with fowl, adding 2 tbs. sherry. Family-tested Plan ½ lb. per serving

saucy pork chops (a cheapie)

4 pork chops 1 8-oz. can apple sauce 1⁄2 cup brown sugar 1⁄4 tsp. ground cloves

Sear chops gently. Mix the apple sauce, sugar, and cloves. Put the chops in a casserole, and pour sauce on top. Bake at 300° F. for 40 min. To brown, turn oven up to high heat for the last few minutes.

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concoctions can result! And though veal steaks or cutlets may be priced high per pound, you must not overlook the no-waste factor. Breast of veal with that sweet-potato stuffing is the other extreme: the per pound price is lower, but only Fido is going to eat all the bones. What meat is on those bones, now, that is fit for a king-and his wife. Sometime take a breast of chicken and stuff it with that dressing, and bake it-plan one breast section per person, and you are sure to have rave notices. The Veal Stew is actually derived from a gourmet recipe. With lots of experimentation, we found we could retain the elusive flavor, and not have it cost a fortune to make. The Veal with Spicy Rice is one of those recipes that Cheapies cooks should love. Come on, now, 'fess up-admit that we dearly love being

veal spicy rice (a cheapie)

very thin veal cutlets onion, sliced tbs. margarine 4 lb. sausage cups raw rice qt. chicken stock tbs. grated cheese

- 1 qt. 4 tbs.

Sauté onion in margarine Add sausage and cook. Add rice and let brown slightly. Add stock and cook until stock is absorbed. Add cheese and blend well. Lightly fry side veal a few minutes on each Make pan gravy and serve all together.

Serves 6

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 stuffed veal wheels (a cheapie)

> tbs. margarine small onion, chopped cup cracker crumbs cup evaporated milk cup hot water lemon juice anchovy paste and pepper thin veol cutlet or steak

Sauté onion in margarine Mix all ingredients except veal. Knead well. Spread on veal. Roll tightly and tie every two inches. Bake for about 1 hour at 300° F. Serve either hot or cold, sliced

Family-tested Serves 5

breaded pork chops (a cheapie)



pork chops

- cup vinegar
- egg tbs. cold water
- clove chopped garlic tbs. chopped parsley

Place chops in vinegar and

marinate for 1 hour. Remove, dry, and season. Beat egg with water. Mix the crumbs with garlic and parsley. Roll chops in a little flour, then in egg and then in crumbs. Fry in hot oil a short 5 min. Lower flame, cover, and cook for 20 min, more.

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Separate eggs. Beat whites ' stiff. Add ½ of the cup of sugar the cream of tartar. Spread this and outside edge of a greased and red pie pan. Beat yoks. Add rest ugar. Cream margarine and add ex-t of your choice. Stir into yoks. r into center of pan. Bake at 275° for about an hour. Serve immedi-y. Try with peppermint flavoring shaved chocolate. Vary with tartar

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able to dish up something which confounds the experts. And what greater joy could there be than sitting back and looking smug and proud while guests fail, miserably fail, to identify a flavor. Right? Then this one is for you. An easy and pretty trick, the Stuffed Veal Wheels. And you'll note that I am back to my old trick of a smidgin of anchovy paste. And I am still using that same 19-cent tube of it!

Serves

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nuts

We have here two new and different ways for serving pork chops. Why, oh why, oh why is it that they are always just fried and thrown on a plate, old wizened-up hunks of shoe leather! For pork is a good tender meat, and doesn't deserve such a horrid fate. A simple way to remedy this is to try that Saucy Pork Chop recipe. Certainly a very natural combination, and easy as can be. Something quite different is the Breaded Pork Chop. Here it is the marinating for an hour or so which makes the difference. Now come on, gals, out of that rut, and try these on the family some night soon.

Daisy Pie is a very old-fashioned recipe, and that may well be why it was so popular. For the things we haven't seen in a long while often taste the best. To vary this is simple. Use orange or lemon extract, or some of both, and when it is out of the oven, sprinkle the top with any grated citrus rind, or make a design of powdered nuts on top. With that yellow center, and the soaring white mound of meringue around it, it makes a mighty glamorous dessert. And look at the ingredients in it-is that ever a real Cheapie! The Fruit Dumpling recipe I got from a friend, and a wonderful one-both recipe and friend! The cottage cheese makes a grand dough. Try filling it with something other than the usual apples: apricots, purple plums, peach halves, or sweet cherries, for instance. Make them up in advance and then steam them while you eat your main course. This way the steam is still oozing out while you serve them, and you can make a dramatic entrance. And the oh's and ah's will grow louder with every bite eaten, too. Our time-and space-is up, members, so our meeting must come to a close. See you next month-

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Good Victuals

(Begins on page 66)

Whoever said cold left-over game is poor eating? A most excellent game soup those remnants do make, laced with vegetables, a bouquet, and at the last moment, sweet fresh cream. So get out the big tureen, dust off Greatgrandmother's great big wonderful game-soup plates-and have another unusual, distinguished buffet special.

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that well might be infamous and slanderous rather than in the tradition of famous last words. Fanatics will shout heresy, abuse, and belittle you as bourgeois if your game be not bloody. Now I should be the first to denounce overdone, dry game. But may I raise a loud and thunderous "No" to raw blood running from my game. In the gravy, fine. On the plate, no. Game on the rare side, yes. Lukewarm from a few minutes contact with heat, no, no, no-and let no purist intimidate you!

God rest Ye, Merrie Huntsmen. God bless Ye, Willing Helpmeet! See "Where Credit is Due" on page 156





Wash 3-4 green peppers. Cut a slice at both ends. Remove seeds and white parts. Cut in thin slices. Roll in flour, then milk, and again in flour. Fry in hot deep fat until golden brown and serve on warm platter.

add ½ game weight of fresh veal and ½ fresh pork ground together and worked up with bay leaves, thyme, cayenne and sair, and the yolk of 1 egg for each ½ lb, of this mixture. Fry a scrap and taste until cooked scrap is highly seasoned—remember it will be less when cold, but must still be highly seasoned when served. Butter pan you will cook it in, and if springmold is used, line with heavily buttered brown paper. Otherwise butter cooking pan. Then line sides with veal and pork mixture Layer alternately with this mixture and game mixture, a fine strip of salt pork, a truffles separating the two mixtures. in its center. Let stand 5-6 hours. dripping pan under, 3-5 hours, depending on quantity, brown-d, during first part of baking. Stand in cool place at least a hole of beef tongue, and some diced flaky pastry, be used) any game of this type may finely cut strip of beef tor Pack well. Cover with a foil-covered, oven, in a slow OF paper Bake out

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t seasoning if necessary. Dissolve gelatin in sherry and add to hot il consistency of jelly. Coat mold again with small quantity of meat and cooked mushrooms to balance of gelatin mixture and I. Garnish with watercress, sliced egg, and currant jelly. Cut rabbit in serving pieces. Wash and dry. Let pieces stand in marinade 12-24 Cut rabbit in serving pieces. Wash and set aside. Sauté meat in heavy skillet until browned on all sides. Add 1 cup of marinade (more if needed). Simmer about 1 hour or until meat is tender. Arrange on platter. Thicken gravy with a little flour; 5-Ib. rabbit serves 8 Cook, mash, and chill potatoes *thoroughly*. Add eggs, seasoning, and flour. Shape into 12 balls. Drop into salted boiling water. Cover, cook for 10 min. \mathbb{C}_{ook} 2 pheasants with small onion, carrot, stalk of celery, pinch of thyme, pepper, salt, until tender. Remove from pot to cool. Cook broth longer to reduce amount (to about $3j_2$ cups). Remove meat from pheasants; cut into small pieces. cup broth. Heat over hot water until dissolved. Id with clear aspic jelly and decorate with truffles Melt butter in a saucepan, stir in flour, broth, cream. Let come to a boil, stirring instantly. Correct seasoning if necessary. Dissolve gelatin in sherty and add to hot Recipe by Vera Bjorck 1/2 cup cream 1/2 cup sherry wine 2 tbs. gelatin 1 large onion, sliced 1 bay leaf 2 tsp. salt ½ tsp. allspice 1 tsp. black pepper Pinch nutmeg 4 tbs. butter 4 tbs. flour 3 cups broth rrect seasoning if necessary. until consistency of jelly. 1/2 cur mold 2 cups pieasant meat 1/2 lb. sliced cooked mushrooms over Coat mit kartoffel kloesse mousse of pheasant mold. Garnish Sprinkle 1 tsp. gelatin Cool. Chill 1½ qt. mold. and green pepper. cups mashed potatoes KARTOFFEL KLOESSE add 1 cup sour cream. pineasant meat cups wine vinegar constantly. Correct mixture. Cool until Pdd hasenpfeffer this mixture. Marinade: CLEAR ASPIC: Serves 6-8 cup water tsp. salt MOLD: eggs 2-10 . I cup sugar Line baking dish with 1 thick layer pastry. Arrange γ_i plum mixture over. Cover with γ_i nut mixture. Pour over γ_i cup melted butter. Cover with second layer dough. Repeat plum and nut mixtures and melted butter. Cover with third layer dough and turn dough under rim. Flute edge, brush top with slightly beaten egg yolk. Remove flesh from bones or carcass, pound in a mortar and put through a sieve. Add to stock a very small amount of stale bread crumbs (fine). Taste Recipe by Jean Austin Boil the remnants (legs, carcasses and bones) of cooked or roast game for seasoning, repeat, and just before serving, add sweet cream or whipped in Recipe by Jean Austin Make extra moist rich flaky pastry for 3 layers. Let stand while preparing filling, FILLING: Wash and pit 3 lbs. ripe plums. Cut in thick round slices. Sprinkle heavily water to extract all 40-45 min. with carrots, whole small onions, celery with green tops left on, possible game flavor. Strain through a fine sieve. Discard all vegetables, bouquet. cream laced with sherry. Serve with croutons fried in butter, then rolled finely chopped parsley or small slices of Vienna sausage and olives. 1 tsp. nutmeg Grated rind 1 lemon Start in cold an herb bouquet, salt and peppercorns. oven for 1 hr. with sugar. Combine: 1/4 lb. finely chopped pecans plum and nut pie game soup Bake in 375° F. Serves 8-10 .





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Wrap is brown-about pastry. for 1 pastry for cut in cen through. I cooked pa casserole. with Recipe by Jeon Austin quail quail pie Sauté burn. cavities of qu all liberally foil as directo pastry is brow stick enough Rich half enoug and a sti cooked. S will not b Butter to come curve in thick slices not quite through bottom crust. remove garlic. Add 3 ths. Burgundy, a little nue pepper. Spread one side each slice lightly. bag in hot oven about 10 min. of duck rolls and cook on bed of thickly sliced oranges and lemons. Never roast at more than 325° F. Lift out duck rolls, arrange cooked orange and lemon slices in center of serving dish. Place duck rolls on them, surround with fried rice (Good Victuals, Sept. 1931), unless you are very rich, when wild rice may be used. Over top of rice, sprinkle grated orange and/or lemon rind. To skins: Cut with a very sharp, pointed knife, skin from neck to vent along center of breast, running knife underneath fat and close to flesh. At same time, with other hand, pull back layer of skin and fat as you cut. Recipe by Jean Austin Mone 1 breast of duck for each serving. Allow 2 cups of uncooked rice for 6 servings Butter tops wine. port with string. Moisten with pieces candied ginger k around stuffing; tie securely with str bed of thickly sliced oranges and leme out duck rolls, arrange cooked orange fruits cup candied crushed chestnuts. 1-2 Chop: -Cut Vienna or French bread in $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick teat $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter with clove garlic; remo t a time, $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt, few grains cayenne par rush top of loaf. Put in brown paper bag 6 prunes 1-2 apples Add ½ cup seedless raisins; 10 large Cooked giblets of duck being served stuffed breast of duck breast of duck burgundy bread BURGUNDY BREAD Roll boned Heat 1/4 cu at a time, 1 Brush top You'll Just Love Wear-Ever aluminum, and the easy way Wear-Ever Cleanser Pads keep it shining The Wear-Ever Way to easier, The Juice Saver pie pan has the patented Alumilite finish. It soaks up heat faster, so that the crusts bake flaky, tender. (Juices won't run over, either.) $8\frac{1}{2}^{"}$ and 10" sizes. $8\frac{1}{2}"-65$ ¢* better cooking Not only does Wear-Ever aluminum have strength and toughness that make it a lasting investment, it also helps control the absorption of heat for best results. That's one reason The layer cake pan tinish controls heat absorption so the golden brown crust forms after the batter rises and sets at its highest, lightest tenderness. 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ready for the line or a dryer. You can spin one load while you wash another. Swing faucets are a unique feature of this type: one fills the tub or the basket while the other drains off the wash water or rinse water. Other features such as speed pump, automatic overload switch. separate control for washer and basket, temperature fabric control, and timer may be had. Capacities range from 9 to 10 lbs.; prices from \$180-\$220.

then spun around until damp-dry.

Automatics: These do the most work for you: just put your washing in, add soap or syndet, press a button, and let the washer do the rest. The tub fills with water, washes the articles, rinses them several times. damp-dries them, and empties itself -all in sequence, automatically, and without any attention from you. You can walk right out on such a machine and you don't, as with other types, have to lift the clothes while wet. The complete cycle of an automatic machine is 25 to 40 minutes, and some have a pre-soak period which makes the cycle a bit longer. There are a few so-called automatic washers which do require some attention, that is, you must control the first fill of the wash water, then set the dial for length of washing time. After that, it's automatic. Other washers in this classification, and probably more accurately called semi-automatic, perform part of the loading, washing, and water-removal cycle, the user being required to attend to the others.

An automatic washer thinks for you while it works for you, but look especially for these features: off-balance load switch which cuts off washer automatically when clothes are unevenly placed, automatic motor protector which eliminates replacing a fuse when machine goes off automatically due to strain caused by excess suds or the like, suds dispenser, signal light which indicates that the washer is in use, wash-water switch, dial which specifies each cycle.

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Which Washer? (Begins on page 48)

Portables: "Baby" washers, so called both because of their size and because they are so practical for infant's laundry. They can handle a full-size bed sheet, and are especially good for lightweight garments. They're a boon in apartments where you can have no other washing machine, and a handy "extra" wherever you live. They will not, however, take the place of a standard-size washer for even a small family, if all the washing is to be done at home.

You can buy them with such extras as: drain hose for filling and emptying, syphon emptying pump, electric switch, stand, casters or gliders for easy rolling, hand-operated wringers, faucet attachment and snap-on hose connector. Capacities range from 2 to 6 lbs.; prices from \$30-\$80. WHICH TYPE OF AUTOMATIC WASH-

ING ACTION IS BEST? The machinery and engineering in all automatic machines are not alike.

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Semi-automatics are those which require the operator's presence to watch the fill and to control the washing and rinsing times. They do as good a job of washing, but because all of the automatic controls are not included, they are somewhat less expensive than fully automatic washers. CAN YOU WASH BLANKETS OR DELL-CATE FABRICS IN AUTOMATICS?

Woolens and delicate fabrics may be washed in any type of machine if you don't wash or rinse them too long. With a spinner or wringer washer, you are the boss of the length of the cycle. With the newer automatics, vou're also the boss since you can interrupt the cycle at any time you like. or skip part of the cycle. This means that you can wash woolens (including blankets), pillows, or delicates (so-called "hand washables") in your automatic washer-you just wash them for a shorter period than the ordinary load requires, and the spe cial controls make this easy. WHAT CONNECTIONS DO WASHERS NEED?

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require no special wiring, though each washer, like every other major appliance, should be put on a circuit of its own.

Automatics: Most of these are connected directly to the house's water supply, and they drain off through a rubber hose. They may be installed anywhere. Some types must be connected to the house's plumbing, and are therefore permanently installed. A very few must, in addition, be bolted to a well-reinforced floor or concrete foundation.

Wringers and Spinners are used adjacent to wash tubs, because tubrinses, soakings, and draining are recommended with these types.

WHAT MAKES FOR GOOD CONSTRUC-TION IN WASHERS?

As with everything else-you get what you pay for. As a group, the wringer types cost least, the automatics cost most, and the spinners and semi-automatics are between. Within each group, a difference in price means a difference in quality, with extra convenience features accounting for part of the cost differential. Look for the following virtues:

Finish: Baked enamel is good, porcelain enamel is still better. Both protect the machine against rust, corrosion, and the damage from strong soaps and alkalis. Both are easy to wipe clean, though porcelain enamel is the harder and more handsome. Tubs thus are made of steel, finished with baked enamel or porcelain enamel, or are made of aluminum, long a popular material. Glass fiber impregnated with plastic is the newest of the tub materials.

Regardless of type, any washer available today can be counted on to be sturdily made of good materials. They abound in convenience and easeof-use features and are as superior to the washers of a decade ago as today's sleekest convertible is to the late and unlamented "Model T." This is so much the case that if you already are the owner of a washer and have had it for more than five years, it will pay you to investigate the many added features of the washers being shown today.

WHAT GUARANTEES SHOULD BE DE-MANDED?

Look for approval by Underwriter's Laboratories on any washer you buy-it stands for safety.

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Je all had a lot of fun during the three months it took us to remodel our kitchen ourselves, and the neighbors got a kick out of our 'foolishness'-but the neighbors now come to praise." That's what Arthur H. Sanders wrote when he first told us about this rejuvenated kitchen in his parents' home. We took a look, and we agreed-especially after we saw those Before plans!

The house was 40 years old, and for a kitchen, that's an antique-not the good kind. The range backed against a chimney, the sink stared at a blank wall, the cupboards were lined up against a far wall, the refrigerator was away and gone out in the pantry (an archaic arrangement dating from the days of the "icebox")-and nothing was within reach of anything else. But there was an enormous waste of floor space. So young Mr. Sanders PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 92



BEFORE

Dreary spot on your right was the pantry where the refrigerator was keptand the rest of the space was wasted. Now it houses the laundry, conveniently arranged for washday use. Mrs. Sanders has her eye on some additional equipment-but Rome wasn't built in a day!

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drew up his plans and Mom and Dad agreed to them. So they got to work building a new kitchen out of their old one.

There was no tearing down of walls, but substituting one high and wide window over the sink for two narrow ones, made the other improvements possible. Now they had enough wall space to use floor and wall cabinets on either side of the sink, where the windows used to be, and they could tear out the antiquated wall of cupboards and install there a new range and refrigerator, near to the sink in a good working L arrangement.



In old plan, two narrow windows were too low to permit use of base cabinets, and sink faced blank wall. Windows were closed in, and single, higher one was cut between them—not a costly operation on a frame house. Now there is more wall space, and a view from the sink



Young Arthur Sanders, who made the plans and did most of the actual work of remodeling the kitchen in his parents' home, is mighty pleased with the results—and why not? Equipment and work areas are now arranged in a logical L, and roomy dining area profits from new picture window

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On the Shelf



When one painting isn't enough for a wall, a shelf can often play it up, give it more importance. This shelf in a girl's room is dressed in eyelet embroidery, and enhances a small picture



Here both shelf and arrangement are unusual: note that the display, instead of being symmetrical, builds up from a low mug to a dramatic high Gilbert clock. See how effectively a shelf can become a piece of furniture MORE SHELVES ON PAGE 98





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On the Shelf (Begins on page 96)



Old utensils can be enjoyed for their pleasing shapes and colors. Here utensils hang from hooks in a simple wall rack, lights have been adroitly played against darks, and the gleam of copper mold above lends emphasis. The long wooden spoon was made for stirring maple syrup



Important antiques in the kitchen? Well, why not enjoy them in the room where you spend so much of your time? One beautifully detailed shelf here holds a Seth Thomas clock, and other shelves display old china, while still other rare things hang on the wall-but superbly arranged



Display shelves can be loved for themselves alone, but those in this bedroom have another very special talent -they are exceptionally clever camouflage for reading lights over the beds. Another smart use of a treasure is the lamp which is made from an ironstone coffeepot

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Good Details Cost: Much time-little cash



Data from George Harris

t took Pat Jones (Mrs. Robert Jones of St. Louis) exactly one half a day to buy every major piece of furniture in the engaging small home we illustrate here and on page 102-and she didn't need, nor want, to return a thing! She probably set an all-time record, but that, in itself, is not the point of this story. What the good results of her speed do prove is the wisdom of self-assurance, of knowing in advance what you want.

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The Joneses also had a flair for creating what they couldn't find, or couldn't afford. The picture at the top of this page shows how they spent an evening decorating a screen with French wallpaper. Other bright ideas of Pat's included refinishing a radiophonograph cabinet to fit their scheme by giving it a coat of black paint and a trim of gilded chicken wire.

There was nothing unusual about the standard six-room house PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 102

The sunporch, built off the dining room, was an inspired addition to this small house, for it became an all-around family room and an ideal place for entertaining as well. The wrought-iron furniture, perked up in plaids, is modern, and Americanbut its graceful curves, its informal good manners, make perfect mixed company with the French **Provincial** which decorates the rest of the house



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Good Details (Begins on page 100)

the Joneses bought after spending their first few months of marriage in a furnished apartment. But the adroit French Provincial furnishings, so well backed up by excellent and ingenious props, lend it a tone few such houses can boast. The once commonplace kitchen doesn't know itself these days, now that its walls and ceiling are shocking pink, and mural-bedecked at that, and now that it is headquarters for a collection of French baskets and apothecary jars. The very ordinary bathroom isn't ordinary any more, now that its walls are navy blue and its linen chest is painted black and dressed with mail-order brass handles, and its guest soap is kept in a candy jar.



A strong blue-green background color gives great character to graceful Provincial furniture, and shutters, a lucky find in a house wrecker's headquarters, were painted to match the walls. Pat is a collector of baskets, and the one under the dressing table, now used for linens, is an oldfashioned European trunk

Attractive drop-leaf table, which nests on one side of dining room, has five extra leaves, can seat a mob! Wise finds in "junk shops" include sconces which hold real candles, and a brass bowl, now filled with greenery, which was a tarnished, dirt-encrusted lamp shade when Pat first found it one afternoon





Because Pat had a general plan in her mind's eye, it took no time flat to buy the important French Provincial desk. But the trimmin's took finding: oil lamps which are now plant holders cost 25ϕ each; large brass candelabrum was a trade-in for something she wanted less; Victorian curtains used to hang behind a washstand

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Virtuoso's Pewter

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(G) Early American two-pronged lamp.
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What did pirates do with treasure? Buried it, of course. Where did Pueblo Indians build their sacred kivas? Underground. How was food preserved before refrigeration? By storing in a dugout. Where does a dog bury a bone? Since time undetermined, the dog, at least, has recognized the value of storing his possessions underground. Civilization, complete with canned dog food, has not changed his ways.

But enthusiastic modernists have brought the utility room upstairs, added a few cupboards in the garage and joyfully hollered, "No more cellars." I challenge you, I defy you, to look with such scorn upon the so-called "lowly" basement.

For many years, the cellar has been to man a source of storage, comfort, recreation, ease of mind, leisurely decision, and extra money. Like a maiden aunt, the cellar is occasionally a trifle unpleasant to live with, but it's indispensable. True, I have found fault with our basement, but that was because it was only half a basement instead of a whole one.

The theory of the utility room plus extra storage cupboards sounds golden until you analyze it. Or live with it. My friend Mary moved into a little modern home of the "no cellar" variety. Her utility room is jail-cell size. In the time you can say "give me back my basement," it filled up with a washing machine, ironing board, iron, cleaning supplies (no broom closet), shoe-polishing kit. baskets of dirty clothes, a basket of clean unironed clothes, a pile of newspapers, and the baby's wagon.

Am I being too hard? Yes, I've forgotten the extra storage space. All right. They do have an extra storage area six feet square by four feet high, up under the eaves. But have you ever tried to hoist a trunk up under the eaves or bring down a box of Christmas ornaments without breaking them?

Roof in Shape



Wood shingles that are loose or have warped should be nailed into place with galvanized shingle nails. Coat nail head with cement



Remove excess roofing cement from valley flashing, for it will form a small dam and allow water to back up under roofing



Leaks in wood-shingled roofs can be easily fixed by slipping a piece of copper up under the shingle at point of leak



Metal flashing around chimney should be turned into masonry joint in chimney and held in place with cement mortar



the Cellar BARBA

BARBARA PETERS

"But, no," you argue. "We're building a home with a recreation room upstairs, a *large* utility room, including a fruit closet and sewing space, and lots of built-in storage space designed to suit our needs."

It sounds good. But prowling around our cellar, I discovered that you will need some oddly shaped cupboards. "Throw it out," you say? How can you throw out seasonal equipment like Christmas-ornaments and tree stand, Easter baskets, and the flag of the United States—to say nothing of picnic baskets, gallon jugs, and electric fans?

And how about your hobby equipment? You think you have it all planned? Do you know, now, all the hobbies that might catch your fancy in the future? Will your cupboards accommodate sevenfoot skis, sleeping bags, golf bags, guns, hip boots and fish poles.

I suppose you think we keep too much stuff around, and have too many hobbies. Well, where, without a basement, do you find a cool dark spot for a bushel of winter apples, or a Halloween pumpkin? Where can you accumulate a dozen coffee cans for baking Christmas fruitcakes? Or keep sugar, bought cheaply against the summer's canning season?.

I suppose if one is an ultra housekeeper with neither children, sports, nor hobbies, one could do without a basement—no clutter, no muss down there. That's fine. But too often, if it's not down there, it's up in the house, the garage, or back yard. Or you will be under constant pressure disposing of things and doing it quickly without time for meditation.

Me, I like the idea of burying my bones in the basement until I have time to dig them up and decide what I really want to do with them. All in all, I'd say, "Think twice before you abandon your basement."

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Sweep valleys clean and inspect them for signs of rust and holes. Repair these with a thin coat of roofing cement



Replace rusted nails with roofing nails that will not corrode. Coat head of nail with a dab of roofing cement



Leaks at seam between valley flashing and roofing can be closed with roofing cement applied under shingles



Inspect the edges of flat roofs where roofing joins metal trim, and apply roofing cement where required

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If a plan suits you but not your site, reversal may help. House below uplicates one its owners found in our pages, but tey transposed positions of bedrooms and garage to take in their view with Personality

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Dreams <u>can</u> come true *turice*/

W husband, Clarke, and I found the perfect spot for our weekend retreat on a lake 30 miles from town. And in a back issue of AMERICAN HOME, we found the perfect house. Well, not quite perfect, for when we figured it out, we discovered that the garage, instead of the bedrooms, would look out on the lake. However, before disappointment set in, Clarke looked knowing and just flopped the plan over. Now that we reversed the positions of garage and bedrooms, the plan was truly perfect for us. And so was the house as we watched it grow. We could hardly believe that this tiny and inviting structure could hold five rooms and a garage! And there was no letdown when we moved in: the compact living room with its enormous fireplace was a delight so was the dining room for which our contractor had saved the knottiest pine—so were the bedrooms with their cross breezes and fine view of the lake.

We dreamed of the time we could live here permanently. But that wasn't to be. Clarke, a member of the Organized Reserves, is now in the Far East, and our little house belongs to another young family. But we've picked a second spot on that lake, and while I stay in the city, still with my job, I'm studying house plans. When Clarke returns, we'll find another AMERICAN HOME plan for our new site—and prove that dreams can come true—twice.

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For braided rugs, here's what to do: launder stockings, and when they are dry, begin with three stockings of different lengths, so that the joining seams will fall in different places when the rug is sewn together. Cut off tops, toes, and heels. Put the foot of one stocking in the top of another and sew together; sew the foot of the third between the two just joined. Fold over edges, pin to a firm chair back, and braid firmly, but not too tightly. At the end of the braid, sew each of the three ends to the tops of three additional stockings.

As you braid, cover the seams with a portion of smooth stocking and sew invisibly underneath. Roll the braids into a ball and sew them into shape as you go along—round rugs are easiest. Sew with heavy carpet thread and a darning needle, concealing the stitches between braids. Ease the fullness as you go around so the braids won't pucker. Work on a flat surface.

For crocheted rugs, use stocking tops of nylon or other fabric, cut one inch wide round and round, and sewed together. Wind into tight balls, right side out, turning in edges as you wind so material will be pressed into place and easier to work with. Let stand for several days to remove stretch, and then crochet, using double stitch. Weave old lingerie, in one-inch-wide strips, through rug for color contrast.

Data from Irene Burkett



Imagine a rug like this from old stocking tops! This one was crocheted of strips of stocking tops, and interwoven with lingerie strips in turquoise. Easy to do, long-wearing, and pretty for bedroom or bathroom



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What are the advantages of wall-to-wall carpeting?

Wall-to-wall carpeting gives unity to areas opening into each other, optically increases size of the areas, conceals imperfect flooring, allows greater flexibility in furniture arrangement.

What are the right proportions for a "room-size" rug?

Rug should come to within 9 inches of all walls, so furniture won't seem to "hang off."

Is an underlay necessary?

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Do carpet rayons measure up?

Yes. Exhaustive tests given all-rayons and blends prove their wearing qualities compare most favorably with wool carpeting of the same type.

How do cottons wear?

New weaving techniques and methods of twisting the yarn have improved wearability in addition to making possible tremendous pattern variations.

What is the difference between Axminster, Wilton and Velvet weaves?

In Axminsters, little yarn is carried to the back. Quality (and price) are determined by the number of rows of yarn per inch in length, height, and weight of varn used. This method permits the greatest freedom in use of color in patterns. About half the carpeting sold today is medium-priced Axminster.

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variation in combinations of yarns, height of pile, and multi-colored or textured effects.

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Is "broadloom" a kind of weave?

No. Broadloom refers to any type of carpeting woven on a broad loom. In common use are looms 9, 12, and 15 feet wide.

How does a novice determine quality?

Rugs or rolls of carpeting carry labels on which content is given. Question salesman on type of weave, using descriptions above as your guide.

What colors are available?

Practically all colors under the sun, but gray, green, beige and rose-in that order-are the best sellers. Manufacturers give you the wherewithal for individualized color schemes. Use it!

What are the most popular types?

Tone-on-tone (one or more tones of the same color) in leaf or swirl patterns lead in popularity, followed by solid-color twist weaves, solid-color plain weaves. Gaining in popularity are the textured carpetings made in interesting combinations of high and low piles.

Which is easiest to use decoratively?

Solid colors or textured types in which yarns are mingled to give an all-over pattern effect. Patterned floor covering restricts the use of other pattern, takes a more skilled hand to decorate around.



HARDWARE TOTER for filing nails, screws, tacks, etc. Join two cigar boxes with piece of plywood for handle; paper milk cartons, cut level with box top, form handy, removable bins



Roadside Weeds for Winter Beauty

ELEANOR B. MeCLURE

The modern "winter bouquet" is a far cry from the dusty buxom horror that used to stand on the parlor piano. Witness this enchanting hearthside decoration by Mrs. Vane Deal of St. Louis, popular lecturer on flower arrangement. It is made of "plant Cinderellas" —field and roadside materials carefully dried so as to retain their natural beauty of form, texture, and color. A strong line of green is

carried through the arrangement by trumpet-vine pods and large leaves of corn and what is locally called "carpenter's square." The oak-leaf clusters are green and red, and shades of brown are supplied by buttonbush, teasel, Missouri primrose, and wild grassseed heads. Some of the lotus pods are brown, while others, picked green, have a bluish cast. These muted tones are complemented by the burnished sheen of the big, heavy, brass vase which is especially suitable for a floor arrangement. Although designed for a contemporary setting, this arrangement would look just as fetching beside a prim Colonial mantel.

By developing an eye for the artistic possibilities of the materials that Mother Nature so generously provides, you can make equally effective, long-lasting decorations. For accessories, there are many intriguing things to be had for the searching, such as skeleton cacti from the desert, weathered rocks and branches, shells and driftwood from the beach. While the plebeian grasses and weeds offer a wonderful range of tan, rust, brown, and cop-PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 120



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Roadside Weeds

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pery tones, you can have gay, bright colors, too, without using any sort of dye. Some garden flowers dry easily and effectively strawflowers, of course, but marigolds, larkspur, astilbe, and cockscomb, too. The secret, says Mrs. Deal, is to gather them as soon as they attain full size and true color and dry them as rapidly as possible. Collect much more than you think you'll need, dry in garage or attic (not in the oven or in sunlight), and discard ruthlessly anything that does not turn out well.

Some stems and leaves that look stiff and unnatural when dried can be soaked in water, then gently manipulated and bent into pleasing shapes. Later, if a winter bouquet gets dusty, you can wash it with a gentle spray, and perk it up with leaves from your house plants or garden evergreens, or a few fresh flowers. And if you tire of an arrangement, you can either remake it in a different container, or take it apart and pack it away for a while. On the basis of the kind of treatment that suits them best,

winter-arrangement materials fall into four types or groups. Group I consists of dried grasses, leaves, and seed pods ready

for use just as you find them, wherever in the country you find yourself. It's lots of fun to experiment with the native plants.

Group 2 includes bare branches and various grasses, flower heads, and seed stalks having firm stems that do not wilt or collapse. Stand them in milk or soda bottles (without water), keep them in a hot, dry place, and give them plenty of elbow room. Examples are elm, maple, ailanthus-seed clusters; pods or heads of teasel, sumac, bladder-nut, and false-bittersweet, and flowers of globethistle, blazing-star, sweet basil, astilbe, and oak-leaved hydrangea.

Group 3 is made up of green seed heads and flowers whose stems wilt quickly. Tie them in small bundles and hang upside down from hooks or coat hangers where they will not be brushed against.

Group 4 is foliage sprays that dry nicely if spread out on the pad under a large rug. Take them out before they become stiff and mummified; the idea is to prevent shriveling, not to "press" them.



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rable cement block, and the floors are flagstone or cement, radiant heated. Facing the garden, there are plenty of fixed-sash windows, but there are few windows facing the street side. Louvers provide ventilation.

The floor plan is unusual, too, for the dining room is really a passage to the bedroom wing, PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 124



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The color was designed with the house. Bedroom walls are soft rose, carpet is a medium blue, and gay wallpaper is used like a giant headboard

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some inexpensive hatpins, a package of tiny assorted seashells, round white beads, red nail polish, black paint, bits of silk floss or wool yarn for hair, plus glue, tweezers, a bottle cap or two. The round shape of the cork bob suggests a face. Glue on shell eyes, nose,

ears, or use round white beads as eyes and paint on black or blue irises, black eyelashes, and nail-polish lips. Glue on silk floss or wool Yarn for nair, touseled, braided, or curied. Mustaches can be painted on with black paint, or black yarn, glued yarn for hair, touseled, braided, or curled. in the make them. The chapeaux are your own creations. One tip is on, can make them. The chapeaux are your own creations. One up is to shape circles of dampened felt over a bottle top, screw on the lid, Bedeck it with feathers or flowers. Easy, no?

Bits of straw, fabric, plastic, ribbon, flowers, sequins, beads, or lace will inspire you. You might try a theme for all the hats-the Gay Nineties, for example, with huge "duster" hats, veil-tied, for the women, big checkered caps for their male companions. Or go back to Rembrandt's day and try large velvet hats with plumes for the gentlemen, and keep

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Tips on Chipping

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The ancient art of chip-carving is in for a new revival, so what better use could you make of some of those 90 working days until Christmas than to apply this simple-to-do, but elegant-to-see work to trays and bowls and boxes word then present with a flourish as

which you buy undecorated—and then present with a flourish as the hand-carved beauties you've turned them into? Even if you've never heard of chip-carving, the chances are you've seen it in art museums and in natural history museums, for it was a very popular form of folk-art decoration in Germany and Scandinavia where it was used to beautify everything from cupboards to trinket boxes. Down in the South Seas they discovered the art, too, and used it to give distinction to their proud boats and the oars which powered them.

Modern chip-carving is just as beautiful as its ancestor, and much simpler to do. With a sharp, single-edged razor blade and one basic design—the triangle—you can make lovelies anyone would cherish. The original bowl or plate comes from a wood shop, but the rest of the work is strictly your own. For two reasons basswood is recommended as the most successful wood for chip-carving. It is white, and without a definite grain (although it can also be had with a grain); and it is soft, with a uniform cell structure which makes it easier to carve than some of the harder woods.

The actual technique of chip-carving is very simple. The triangle is most easily cut when based on a 90° angle. For the PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 132





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Tips on Chipping (Begins on page 130)

two shorter sides, hold the blade vertically or at right angles to the wood and press the corner of the blade deeply into the wood at the apex of the 90° angle. Draw the blade along the cutting line, and cut straight down into the wood at a progressively shallower degree. The triangular wedge is chipped out from the long side of the triangle by holding the blade in a slanting position, at a 45° angle or less to the wood, so that the corner of the blade cuts toward the apex of the right angle and into it, thus chipping out the wedge. Try using straight lines or an elliptical leaf form to vary your pattern. For a straight line, make a direct vertical cut with the blade, then slant the blade toward it, from one side or both, until your line is chipped out. For a leaf pattern, make a straight cut in the center of the ellipse, and swing the blade around in a curve according to your pattern.

A stencil is not essential, but it is useful, especially in applying a design to a circular plate or bowl, since a pie-shaped wedge emanating from the center to the rim of the plate can be moved along as you trace around it. You can include more than one basic unit in your wedge; if you use basic units of one inch, cut your stencil wedge in two one-inch repeated units.

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Use a level to draw line on wall and use this line as guide when securing brackets. Check brackets to be sure they are level, and then fasten into place with screws. Position screws to strike wall studs. If this can't be done, use toggle bolts



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FALL	Chrysanthemum; coloquially, "Mums"	Chrysanthemum
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ALL YEAR	Gardenia; Cape-jasmine (old, southern name)	Gardenia jasminoides
ALL	Gladiolus ("Glads")	Gladiolus
ALL YEAR	Glory-lily	Gloriosa rothschildiana and other species
ALL YEAR	Easter Lily	Lilium longiflorum and other species and strains
ALL YEAR	Pink Tiger Lily (not correct, see next column)	Lilium speciosum rubrum (Tiger Lily is L. tigrinum)
ALL YEAR	Lily-of-the-Valley	Convallaria majalis
ALL YEAR	Orchid, Cattleya; colloquially "Catts"	Cattleya; many species, hy- brids, varieties
FALL	Orchid, Ladyslipper	Cypripedium; species and varieties
FALL	Orchid, Butterfly	Oncidium; several species
FALL	Pincushion-flower; Mourning-bride	Scabiosa
ALL YEAR	Roses; large, long-stemmed and small "Sweethearts"	Rosa; many varieties
ALL	Snapdragon ("Snaps")	Antirrhinum
FALL	Tuberose (meaning "tuber-ose," not "tube-rose")	Polianthes tuberosa
		Zinnia elegans and other

The second of these seasonal buying guides

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at Your Florist

COLOR KEY: R-red; PI-pink; O-orange; Y-yellow; W-white; B-blue; P-purple

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COLOF	WHERE USED AND FOR WHAT	TIPS ON BUYING, CARE, ETC.
R, O, Y PI, W		Graceful, dramatic daisy; lasts well. Bright & pastel colors
R, O, P W	I, Home; gala affairs. Bouquets, arrangements, corsages	Expensive but lasts well. Smart, modern. Order week ahead
R, PI, F W	Anywhere. Arrangements, bou- quets, alone or combined	Med. priced. Plunge 2 hrs. be- fore using; strip lower fol.
w	Home, hospital. Loose bou- quets, arr'm'ts with others	Lasts well. Useful background, fill-in material
PI, W, B, P	Home, ship, hospital, parties. Bouquets, corsages, baby gifts	Med. price; lasts well; fine blues. Plunge; strip lower fol.
R, PI, O Y, W	, Home. Arrangements, bou- quets, corsages	Short-stemmed; many sizes and colors. Order week ahead
Y, (B tongue)	Home. Large, modern arrange- ments; dramatic effect	Expensive, smart, striking; Lasts well. Order week ahead
R, PI, W	Home, hospital, ship, church. Bouquets, corsages, baby gifts	Lasts well. Useful, small, waxy flowers. Order week ahead
Y, W	Home, church. Arrangements, bouquets, corsages	Effective, stately, rather se- vere. Use large foliage
R, PI, O, Y, W	Anywhere. All purposes; pop- ular boutonniere	Med. price; keep cool for longer life. Add other foliage
R, PI, O, Y, W, P	Anywhere. Arrangements, bouquets, corsages	Many types, sizes, prices. Lasts well; strip lower foliage
R, PI, O, Y, W, P	Anywhere. Arrangements, bouquets, corsages	Plentiful till frost; med. price. Many types, sizes, prices
B, P, W	Home, church, hospital, ships. Arrangements, bouquets	Good for tall effects. Keep plunged deep until used
w	Home, ships. Arrangements, corsages	Short-stemmed; strong fragrance. Keep moist; avoid bruising
R, PI, O, Y, P, W	Anywhere. Arrangements, cor- sages (of separate florets)	Economical, lasting, adapto- ble. Miniatures popular
R with Y	House (for low arrangements). Corsages	Distinctive in form, color. Novel, exotic effect
w	House, church, hospital. Arrangements, bouquets	Dignified, stately. For large effects. Dependable
PI, R	Anywhere. Arrangements, bouquets, corsages	Lasts well. Handsome but needs space
w	Anywhere. Small arrangements, bouquets, corsages, baby gifts	Lasts well. Dainty in form, fra- grance; best with own foliage
P, W	Home, parties. Centerpieces, bouquets, corsages	Popular, glamorous, Keep cool, with stem in tube of water
GREEN, BROWN	Home, ships, parties. Corsages, bouquets, arrangements	Sturdy, lasting. Popular as corsage flower
Y	Home, ships, parties. Arrange- ments, bouquets, corsages	More fragile than above; good wedding bouquet flower
R, P, W	Home, hospital. Arrangements, bouquets	Old fashioned, substantial. Lasts and arrange well
B	Anywhere. Any purpose—baby gifts, corsages, arrangements	Many sizes, lengths, prices. Cut stems daily
, PI, O, (, P, W	Anywhere. Arrangements, bouquets, for tall effects	Lasts well; effective; reliable. Remove faded florets
w	Home, church, parties. Corsages, low arrangements, bouquets	Exotic; heavy fragrance. Order week ahead
, PI, O,	Anywhere. Arrangements, bouquets	Plentiful till frost; med. price. Strip underwater foliage

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The main part of the house is a simple rectangle which provides a 29-ft. living room, two bedrooms, a bath, lavatory, kitchen, and plenty of storage space. The small utility wing at right angles to the house has a lot to do with the smooth operation. In addition to housing laundry and heating plant, it's a pleasant workshop for Mr. Donnelly whose woodworking talent provided much of the furniture in the house. A commercial-size deep freeze is also kept here, and the Donnellys figure that it has helped them to knock some \$200 off of their annual meat bill. With the freezer full, and a year's supply of fuel oil stored in two 750-gal. tanks, being snowbound here should be fun!

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Front of living room has two picture windows and glass French door. In his workshop, Mr. Donnelly built desk and several other pieces of living-room furniture



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All stairs should be equipped with a handrail, and it should be on the right as you descend. Make sure that the rail is securely fastened with screws to the wall studding



It's the edge of the tread where the falls occur, so make them conspicuous by painting the edge of each step with a stripe of brilliantly colored enamel



A flight of steep stairs can be made slipproof if the treads are painted with porch or deck enamel to which fine beach sand has been added. Keep paint well stirred during application



If the noses of your stair treads are worn and splintered, smooth them down carefully with a small block plane and sandpaper. And round off the sharp corners of the bottom tread, too



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Tread lightly, friends—faulty stairs cause many home accidents but they don't have to be unsafe. Take an afternoon off and make all the stairs in your home safe for everyone



Paint stairs white or light gray, so objects left on them will be easy to spot. If stairs are in constant use, paint every other tread; when these are dry, paint the alternate ones



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The modified outlet is shown in operation in Figure I. Figure II shows the back side of the switch-lightoutlet combination and the method of







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wiring it. Triple combination units such as this are manufactured by several electrical-fixture companies-the unit shown is of individual sub-units assembled to a plate which will take one, two, or three sub-units arranged as desired.

Wiring the unit is quite simple if you want to do it. Make sure the fuse that protects the outlet you're going to replace is out or the main house switch is pulled before you remove the old unit-wiring electric fixtures "hot" invites blown fuses and shocks. Remove the old receptacle, and connect the new combination as shown in Figure II.

The white wire from the old unit should be connected to the silver terminals of the outlet and pilot unit. The dark wire (black or red usually) should be connected to one side of the switch. The other side of the switch is connected to the bronze or gold terminals of the pilot and outlet units. That's all there is to it.

If your tinkering talents do not include electrical work, have the job done by an electrician-it will be inexpensive, and once in you wouldn't be without it. With such an arrangement, you can leave your coffee maker or other often-used appliance plugged in all the time-the pilot will always tell you from across the room if it's on or if it's off.





Switch, pilot light, and receptacle are wired together in such a way that when switch is "off," flow of current to other two units is interrupted. Black or "hot" wire is connected to one side of switch. A jumper is used to connect opposite side of switch to bronze terminal screws on pilot light and receptacle. White wire is fastened to silver terminal screw of receptacle and jumper from this goes to the silver terminal screw on pilot light


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# Repair the Gutters (Begins on page 56)



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# Shopping for Tulips

(Begins on page 40)

keen disappointment. The term "top size" is used all too carelessly and sometimes applied to bulbs no larger than acorns. Unless they are at least as big as large horse chestnuts, tulip bulbs cannot be counted on to flower. So get your catalogues and price lists from firms that have been in business a long time and prize a reputation. If you must order late, list second choices, for every season sees some kinds scarce, and it has to be "first come, first served." Better a few good bulbs than a lot of poor ones. Your best guarantee is the standing and integrity of the firm you buy from.

Where and how to use tulips? If you have a rock garden, by all means indulge in a few Botanicals. Planted at least 6 in. deep where there is sunlight and good drainage (not beside a brook or pool), and where tree or shrub roots will not compete with them, they will persist for years. Fine ones to start with are the Fosteriana variety Red Emperor and the dainty T. clusiana or "peppermint-stick tulip," with striped pink and white blooms on stems 10 in. or so tall. Others are the very early T. kaufmanniana (called "waterlily tulip" because its short-stemmed flowers open wide and flat on the ground), T. griegi, T. chrysantha, etc.

The Single and Double Earlies are definitely for formal planting. Two or three rows add much in front of a nice foundation planting on either side of a walk, or along the front of a flower bed. They go well where, later, annuals will be featured, for their flowers and foliage are gone when it is time to set out the seedling annuals. The May-flowering types, much taller and more imposing, can be used in the same ways, but seem more at home interspersed among clumps of perennials in a mixed border, planted in groups of five or more near the front of such borders, or massed to give solid beds of color.

How many bulbs to buy for a given space is not hard to figure. Some planting charts say to put them 4 in. apart, but in my opinion 9 in. is more like it. In a bed of several hundred, the inner bulbs can stand up to 12 in. apart without looking sparse. For a circular or oval bed, square it off, estimate the number needed for the resulting rectangle, then deduct 20 per cent for the unplanted corners and margins.

The next step is preparing the ground by digging the bed (or the place for each clump) to the full depth of the spading fork, PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 148



Bulbs are graded according to circumference in centimeters (1 in. equals 21/2 cm.). "First size" (11-12 cm.) tulips, like the six at left, above, bought from reliable dealers, cost about \$1.50 per dozen, give results like those at left, below. The six bulbs at right, above, were part of a "bargain offer." Of the 127 sent (for under \$2.00) 21 were under 5 cm., 72 were 5-6 cm., 34 were 6-7 cm.; 40 failed to grow at all, and only 6 bore flowers, see below, right. So-buy from safe sources. Beware false bargains

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# Shopping for Tulips (Begins on page 146)

incorporating two or three inches of well rotted manure if available, or a liberal dressing of bone meal. Don't use any chemical fertilizer at this time; work it in as a top-dressing when you loosen the soil next spring.

Plant any time before the ground freezes, spotting the bulbs where they are to go, and then, using a strong trowel, set them as deep as you can reach-say from 5 to 6 in. Advocates of very deep (12 in.) planting argue that the bulbs will not so soon split up, and will thus give more seasons of bloom, but this involves more work and is not often done. Whether to cover a new tulip planting is a moot point. If you want to do it, apply a light coating of salt hay or, when available, coarse manure-but not until the ground has frozen. The aim is not to keep the cold out, but to prevent alternate freezing and thawing; also mulching unfrozen ground is an invitation to field mice. Near fields and woodlands these pests sometimes make it necessary to plant bulb clumps in small-mesh wire baskets sunk in the ground, or even to encircle whole beds with wire buried 18 in. deep. Or the bulbs can be coated with poison by dampening them and shaking them up in a paper bag with a little dry red lead. Paris green, or arsenate of lead. Also, to outwit the mice, delay planting until just before the normal first hard frost, by which time they will probably have retired to their winter homes and stored up caches of food there.

Next spring, as soon as the tulip growth is an inch high, remove the covering and stir in a light application of any good garden fertilizer. A margin of pansies or forget-me-nots planted at this time will enhance the beauty of the bed. Though rarely bothered by insects or diseases, tulips when grown in one place for too many years may be hit by "fire blight" caused by a fungus. The remedy is to remove the infected soil 8 in. deep and replace it with fresh, clean soil. But using a little new soil around each bulb at planting time will help avoid or delay this trouble.

After flowering time, will you lift the bulbs or not? Botanical kinds, planted deep enough (6 in.) in the first place, can be left alone. Plan to leave the Early and May-flowering types in place for two or even three years. In any case, remove seed pods as soon as they form, or forestall them by cutting off all flowers as they fade. When the leaves are partly dry, dig the bulbs, leave in a dry, shady place until quite dry, then sort out, clean, and store away the sound, larger ones, until planting time. You can put the bulblets in rows in the vegetable garden or some out-of-theway place hoping that they will grow to flowering size in a few years.



Select varieties of Chinese chestnuts are like those of happy yesterdays, but larger. Below, Dr. J. W. McKay of USDA and a bushel of nuts harvested from a 12year-old tree in the Department's experimental orchard



ANDREW S. WING

Like Longfellow's village smith, I'm living "under a spreading chestnut tree." You can, too, and enjoy its beauty, shade, and delicious nuts. True, it won't be a tree of the native American species (*Castanea dentata*) of happy memories. Those fine, tall trees, once so common in our eastern woodlands, were valued as much for their timber as for their nuts, and were also an important source of tannin, used in tanning. But they have virtually disappeared as a result of having been attacked, half a century ago, by an immigrant blight from the Orient for which, as yet, no cure has been found. First a few trees sickened and died, then more and more, over a steadily widening area, until, today, you rarely see a live native chestnut. Occasionally a sapling will spring up from a surviving root, grow for a few years, and perhaps even bear a few nuts, only to become infected by the fungus, dwindle, and finally go the way of the others.

No, your tree will be—as mine is—of a different, Chinese species (*Castanea mollissima*); or perhaps Japanese (*C. crenata*); or possibly a hybrid—the result of crossing them with one another, or with descendants of our original trees. When it became clear that our native species was doomed, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, State Experiment Stations, and individual hybridists set out to find or develop species or hybrids combining the best features of the chestnuts we lost with the disease resistance and other good qualities of other wild kinds. There seems a good chance that this goal will be attained; already several named hybrids with performance records are available.

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## Chestnut Tree (Begins on page 149)

Of the Chinese and Japanese species-both highly, if not wholly, resistant to chestnut blight-the latter bears the larger nuts, but those of the former are of better quality. Also the tree is more desirable-not as a source of lumber or tannin, but as a plant for yard or garden. It is sturdy and handsome, spreading gracefully like a big apple tree, yet without becoming too large for a home setting. Its foliage is beautiful while green, and turns to russet-gold in fall. When in bloom in late spring, it is a mass of yellow catkin tassels. (Their rather heavy odor suggests that a tree should not be planted too near the house.) All season you watch to see if the bees did their work well so there will be a good crop of nuts. There will be-provided there is another related chestnut tree in the vicinity, for it will not bear fruit by itself alone. In autumn, you'll have an exciting race to see whether you or the squirrels get the crop. If you're vigilant you'll get your share, and fresh chestnuts, cured but not dried out, are something to brag about-raw, roasted over coals, or used in cooking.

They are almost as sweet as those of treasured memory and much larger -about the size of the Italian kind sold on street corners, but which come from trees that are neither blightproof nor hardy in this country. Yields range from a pound or so from a 4- or 5-year-old tree to as much as 100 pounds (a bushel or more) from a 10- or 12-year-old specimen. The biggest of the trees on our rented place, 30 feet tall, 40 feet wide, and 2 feet through at the base, is about 40 years old. If you buy one from any good nursery that carries them-or, better, from a nut-tree specialist-and plant it this fall, you can hope for at least a few nuts in three or four years, maybe less.

Chinese chestnuts do well in any fairly fertile, well-drained soil where there is plenty of light and air, and in most sections of the country except, possibly, the extreme northern and southern regions. They need little pruning (mainly to get rid of dead wood) and are troubled by few insects or diseases. A simple dust or spray program (2/3 ounce each of arsenate of lead and wheat flour in a gallon of water, or any of the newer recommended materials) will control Japanese beetles, and the traditional worm associated with chestnuts can be kept in check by gathering the nuts promptly as they ripen. If wormfree, enjoy them; if not, burn them and prevent the pests from multiplying. They should be kept in cold storage to prevent drying out and molding. You'll have to rake up the fallen catkins in spring and the burs in fall, but what's that compared with all a chestnut tree gives you?





p to a few weeks ago, a friend of mine who recently moved to the country was enthusiastic about his new home beyond the city limits. Then the septic tank overflowed-and his dream of peaceful country living went, literally, down the drain. Belligerently, he denounced septic tanks. Actually, he knew little about them. A typical city resident moving to the country, he had overlooked his duty (as a property owner) of sewage disposal; he didn't realize that a homeowner's failure to understand how a septic tank works, and what it needs, can make the difference between successful and unsuccessful operation.

In his case, the trouble was that the backyard soil into which the tank discharged was tight clay; already saturated with melting snow and spring rains when he moved in, it couldn't absorb any more.

Contrary to a common notion, a septic tank does not purify sewage; it merely prepares it for final disposal, as shown in the diagrams here. In the tank, most of the sewage is converted by bacteria into gas and water which pass into the drain line to be absorbed by the soil of the disposal field, and evaporated by the sun. The rest remains in the tank in two forms: scum, which floats on top and is kept out of the drain line by a baffle board; and sludge, which settles to the bottom. Both must be removed from time to time. How often depends on the size of the tank and amount of sewage it has to handle. Ordinarily, a 600-gallon tank is adequate for a family of six, but it should be cleaned every 3 or 4 years. If a kitchen-sink garbage-disposal unit is to be used, the capacity of the septic tank must be double the ordinary size. The waste from the disposal unit must, however, be run into the house septic tank-never into a separate cesspool or dry well.

Besides the tank, there should always be, between it and the house, a grease-trap to receive water from PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 152













# Septic Tanks

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kitchen sink. Here grease rises and forms a layer just as the scum does in the septic tank. It, too, must be removed regularly.

The disposal system consists of one or more lines of ordinary drain tiles butted (not cemented) together, with the open joints covered with pieces of tar paper to keep the soil out. Laid to a definite slight pitch, they are held there by the sand, gravel, or rock around them, or by properly sloped grade boards which can be kept in place with wooden pegs. The size of the disposal field will depend on that of the tank, the amount of sewage, and particularly upon the nature of the soil. A sandy soil which absorbs water freely is naturally best. Heavy, tight clay, like my friend's, or shallow soil underlaid by rock, is unsuitable and might necessitate digging sizable trenches and filling them with gravel, sand, etc., in which to lay the tileperhaps two lines, one above the other. A distribution box makes it possible to send the flow from the tank alternately through the sections of the drain line and disposal area.

However, trouble may come from other causes. Sometimes housewives interfere with the tank's operation by putting down the drain lye, disinfectants, and other strong agents which kill the bacteria and stop their essential action. In the absence of a grease-trap, grease may clog the drain lines, or tree roots, seeking moisture, may grow in between the tiles, form almost solid mats, and have the same effect. Poplars, willows, soft maples, and elms are especially likely to do this. Also, the passage of trucks, passenger cars, bulldozers, and tractors may break and clog a line laid near the surface. Watch out if grading and landscape work have to be done after the drain lines are installed.

A clogged line means either mechanical clearing with some sort of rotating knife operated by a flexible cable or shaft, or hand clearing after digging down to the line-hoping you've guessed the place of stoppage. Whatever the treatment called for, it will be a nuisance, and more or less expensive. So, even though these recommendations seem to involve a lot of bother, they are worth taking.

[Consult also Housing Research Paper No. 18, Septic Tanks-Their Use in Sewage Disposal-15¢ (in coin) from Supt. of Documents, Gov't Printing Office, Washington D.C.]





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All that remains of ten stately elms that once graced our half-acre lawn are charcoal-blackened, soon to be sodded over spots where they formerly stood. When, three years ago, the Dutch elm disease hit our section, our trees went the way of the others, despite my efforts to build up their resistance by regular feeding and watering. When the first three died and were cut down I tried several methods for removing the stumps -soaking with oil, using a blow torch, a fire of coke (at \$19.75 a ton!)but all proved costly in either time or money, and wholly ineffective.

The next two summers the remaining seven died, and by then the cost of removing dead trees had risen so high that it was late fall before I found a crew that would quote within my price range. They agreed to cut the trunks and large limbs into fireplace logs for \$15 less than the usual price if they could pile the tops on my vegetable garden for us to burn. However, when they came to work. I asked them to pile the branches, not in the garden, but near the tree stumps. As fast as they did this with one tree and moved on to the next, I started a fire on the stump, first piling the small twigs on the windward side, then gradually adding larger branches until I had a bed of glowing coals on each of the ten firesurrounded stumps. (Where a tree had been cut level with the ground, I dug down several inches around it to provide draft.) By the time the men finished, the fires were going so well I asked them to roll the largest pieces onto the pyres like spokes of a wheel. Here they burned briskly with only an occasional stirring or poking.

Our local bonfire ordinance requires that all fires be confined within wire or metal containers. In our part of town 50-ft.-wide streets and the 30-ft. building setback give considerable space between homes. Also ours is a corner lot and all the stumps were at least 40 ft. from the house. However, as further protection and to conform to the regulations, we used long metal sheets from the cold air



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It is not necessary to have a roaring fire; in fact a small one concentrated on the stump gave us a better bed of red coals, besides getting the most out of the fuel, of which a lot is required.

During the three days the fires burned, we kept an eye on them to keep sparks from flying about; at night, we covered them with ashes which left the coals ready to start work again in the morning. One night we invited friends in and, until the wee hours, roasted apples, wieners, and marshmallows, told stories, and enjoyed the cheery glow of the fires.

Altogether, the work involved was slight, the results were considerable. Best of all, by burning the infected wood on the spot, we destroyed all the disease spores instead of sending them to a dump whence they could be spread to other healthy trees.

Editor's Note: Just one comment on this ingenious procedure: Since all communities may not be as lenient as Miss Harshman's, be sure you know what your local ordinances permit and under what conditions. Then take every precaution to keep the stump fires from getting out of hand.



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