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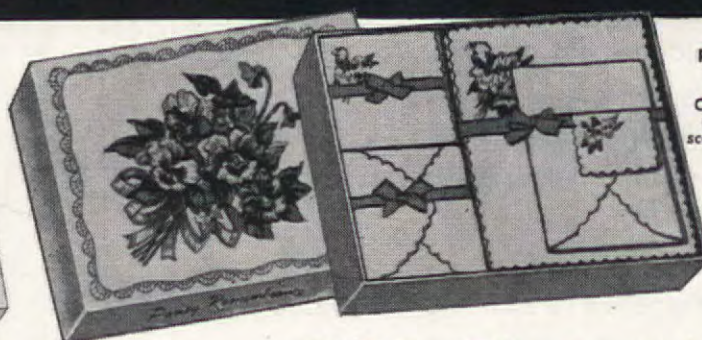
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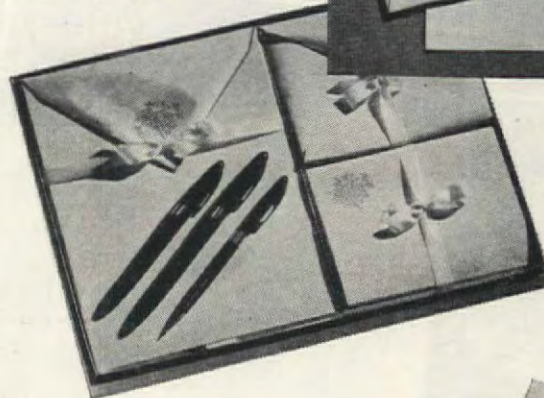
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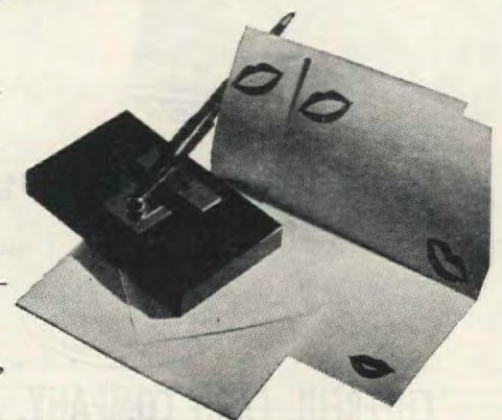
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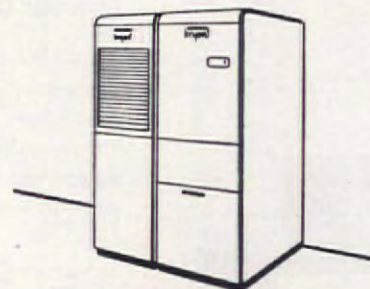
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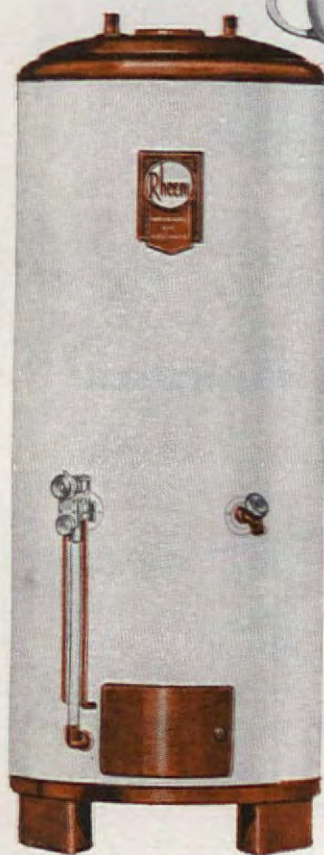
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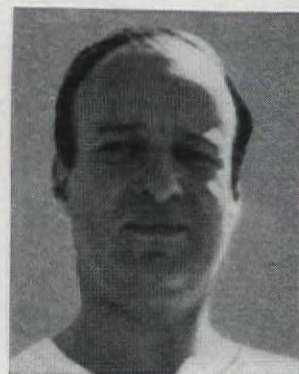
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Contributors

... **ROBERT HAYS ROSENBERG, A.I.A.**, received his architectural degree at Harvard, and then took a course in naval architecture and marine engineering at M.I.T. before serving as an officer in the U.S. Navy. The sea is still with him, for he built a home for himself and family facing the ocean at East Hampton, Long Island. He divides his time between that haven and New York City where he practices architecture and teaches at Pratt Institute.



... **PAUL WELLER**, who photographed our cover picture, hails from Boston. He came to New York to study painting at the National Academy. He was successful as a practicing artist and teacher, but the Army changed his career. After three years in the Far East, he became a photographer, specializing in editorial and advertising assignments. His photography has been shown in museums, but he also finds time for painting and many hobbies as well.



... **MILDRED HOOPES SORG**, born in New York City, has lived for many years in New Jersey suburbs. Her hobbies, antiques and gardening, together with her husband's enthusiasm for Williamsburg and its history—an enthusiasm she shares with him—are responsible for the excellent replica they built of the St. George Tucker house (see page 38). Now that one married daughter has moved to Richmond, Mrs. Sorg has become "almost a Virginia commuter."

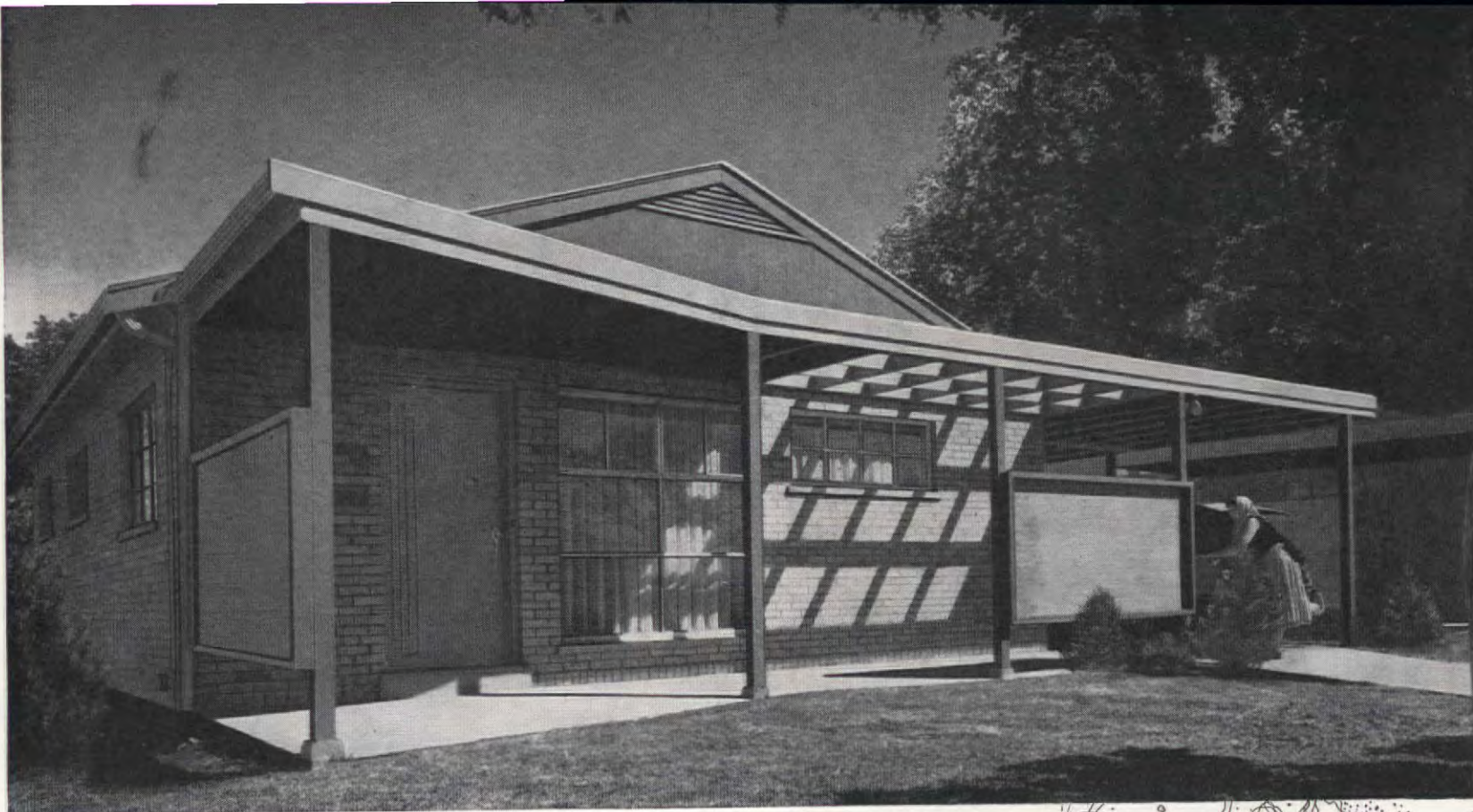


... **H. THEODORE SORG**, born in Brooklyn and raised in Newark, has practiced law in New Jersey for many years. As long as he can remember, American history has been his hobby, and he has taken an interest in the city of Williamsburg, Virginia, and its development from the beginning of its reconstruction. When he and his family planned to build a home (see page 38), they naturally looked to Williamsburg for their inspiration.



... **PAUL J. PEART** became interested in growing things as a small-town boy in Utah, where he worked in gardens. Later, he landscaped his homes in Oregon and California, always striving for the better use of plant materials. After 15 years, he made professions of his three former hobbies—landscaping, writing, and photography—as witness his rose-growing article on page 34 and a new book, *15 Ways to Landscape Your Home*.





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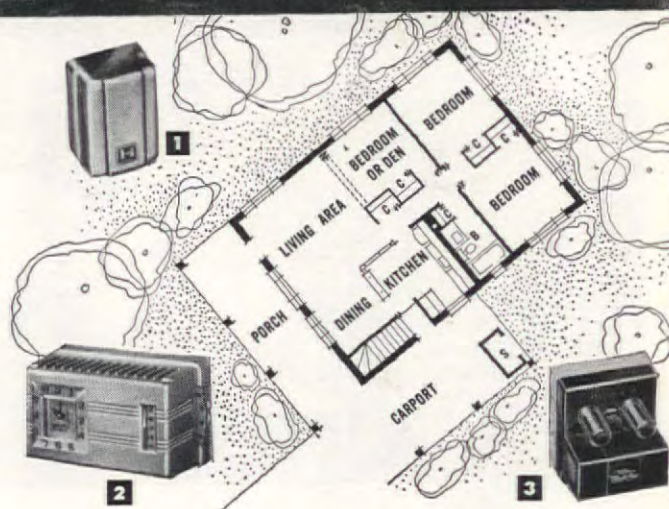
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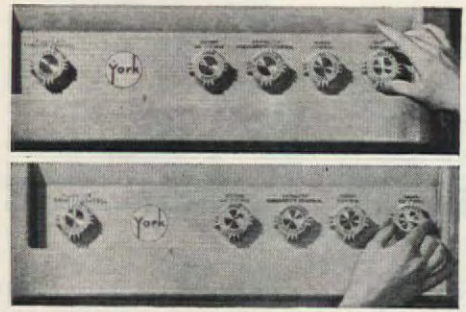
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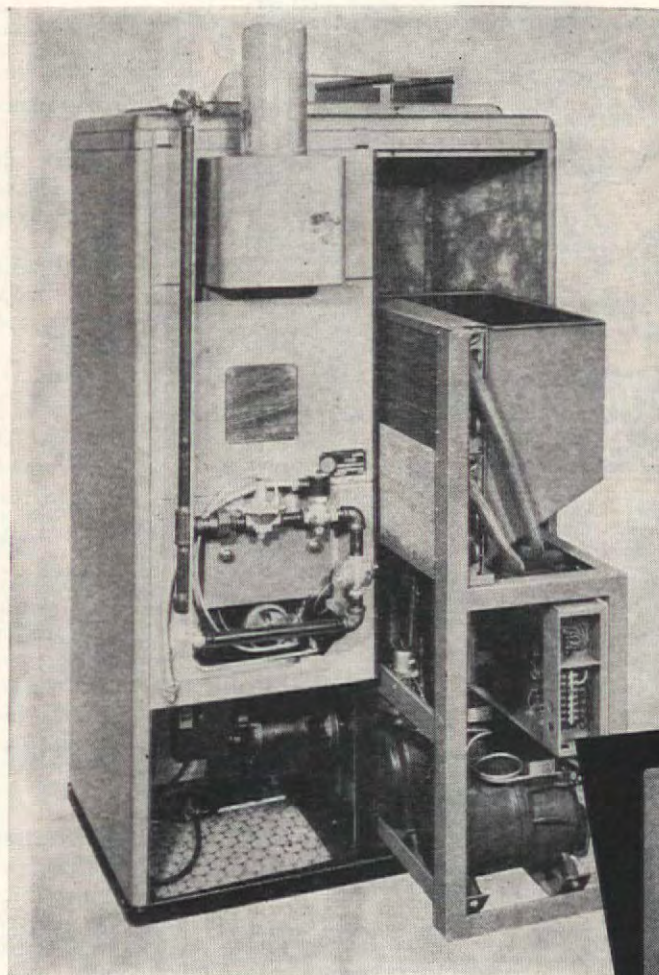
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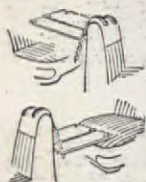
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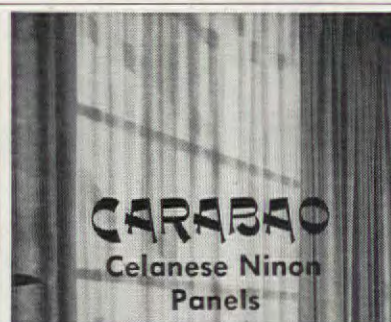
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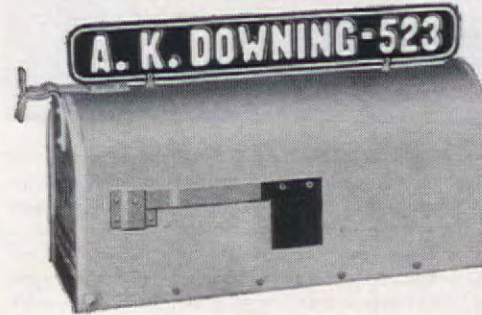
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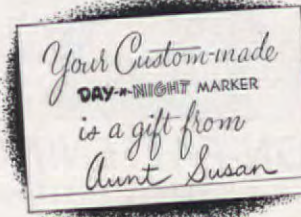
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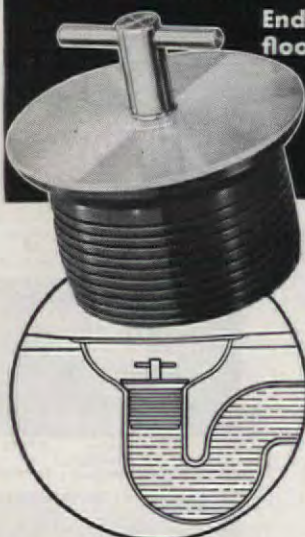


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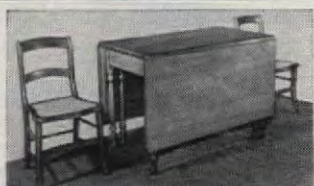
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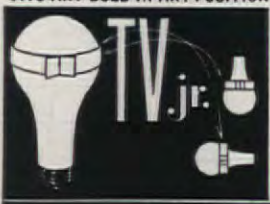


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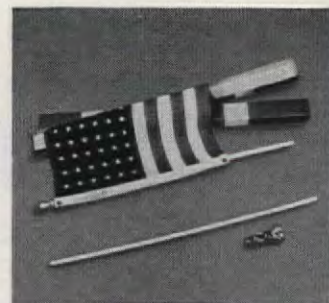
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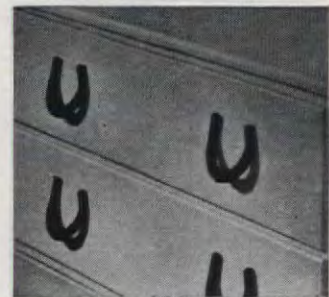
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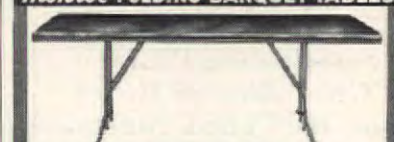
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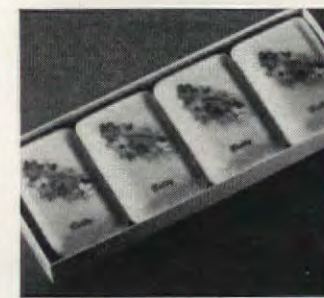
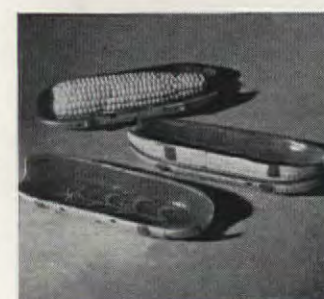
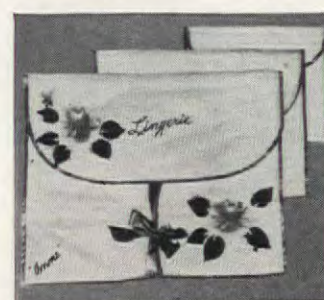
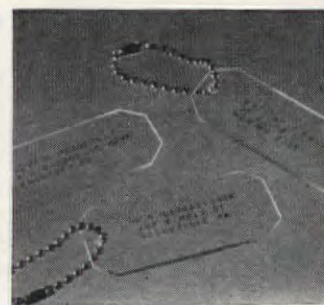
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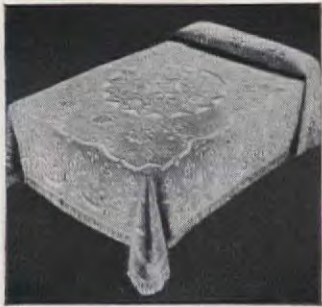
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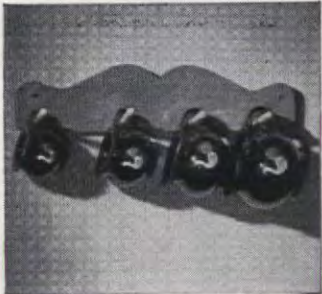
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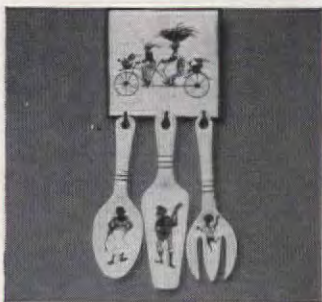
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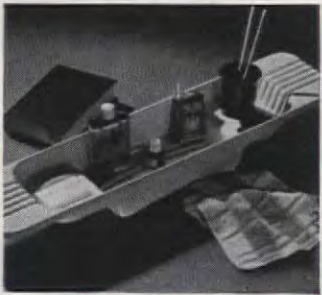
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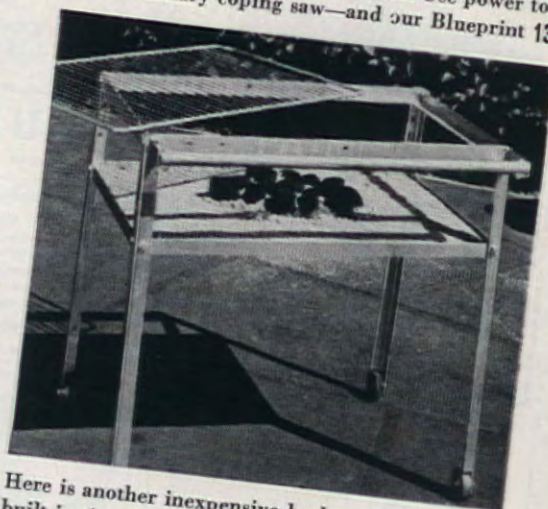
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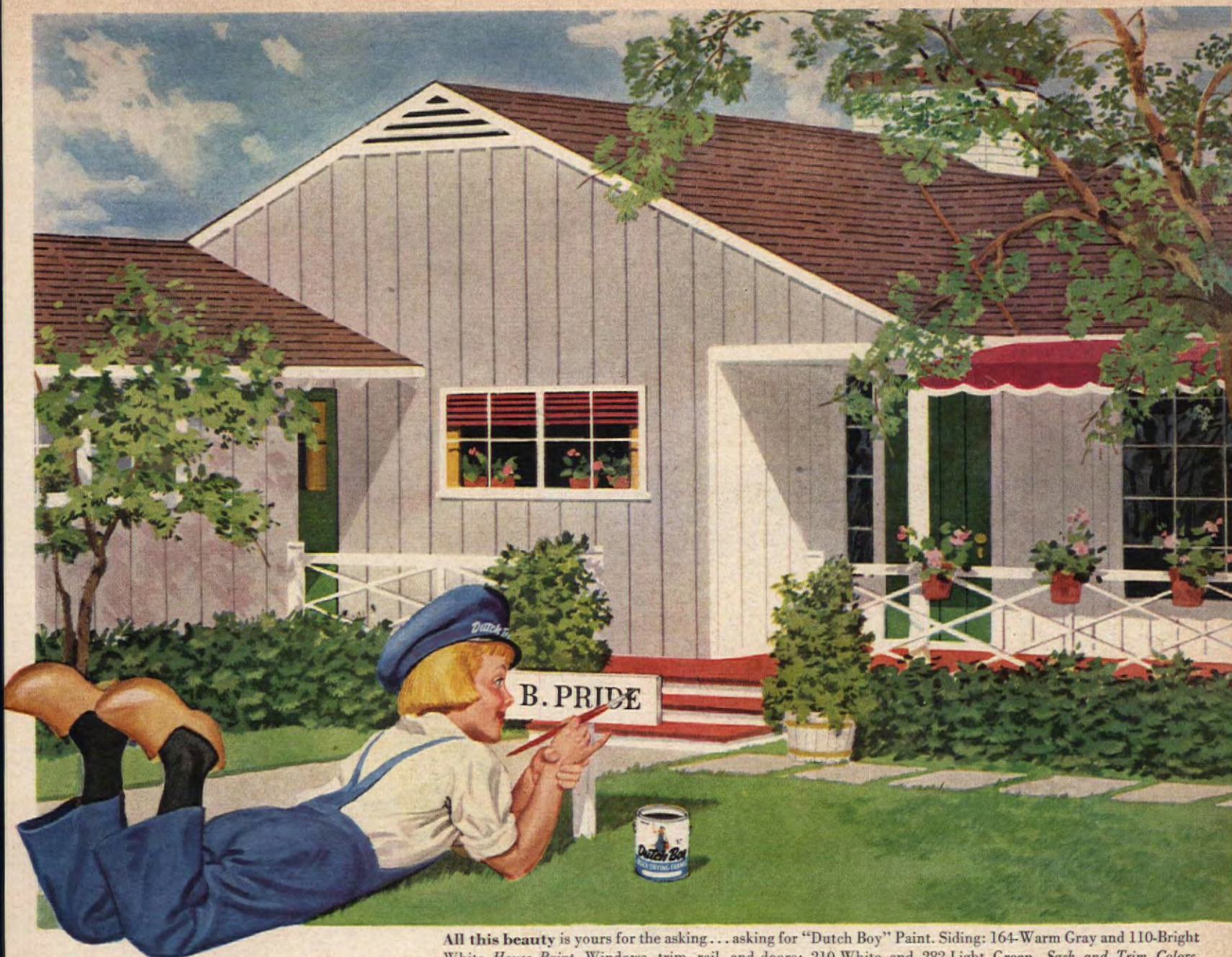
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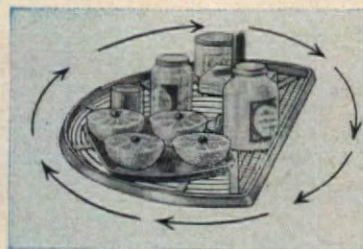
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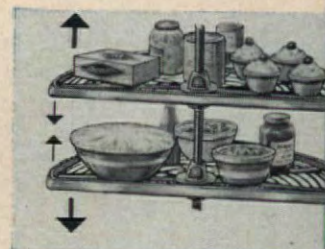
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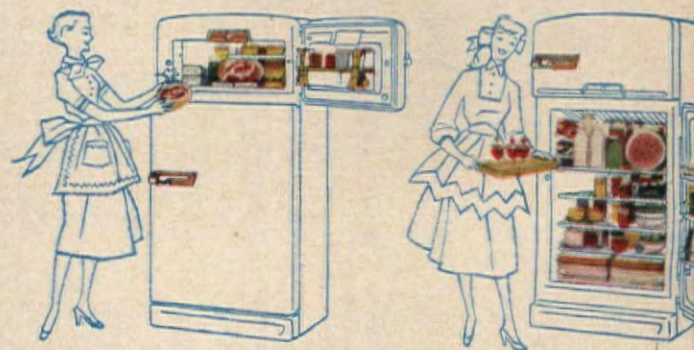


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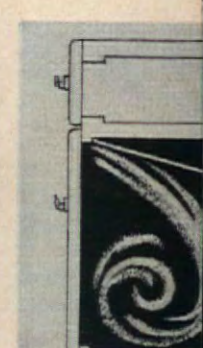
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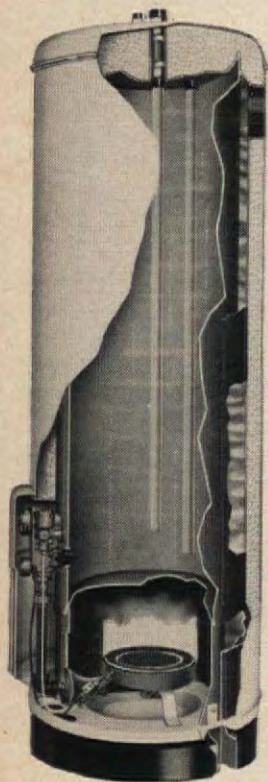
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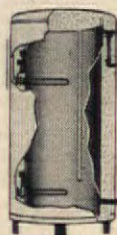
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Squam's Fair Balances the Budget

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A twelve-hour street fair beneath the post office elms in Annisquam, Mass., has averaged enough profit during the past five years to pay half the annual salary of the minister of its Community Church, underwrite repair bills for the Community Center, and buy new equipment for the Hobby Center. But, until 1947, the same fair rarely grossed more than \$300 and sometimes went into the red. Fair directors, headed by Brigadier General James Cunningham, believe they've come up with a set of principles that can be used to lift "budget fidgets" from many of the U.S.A.'s 175,000 churches and community centers. Here are the rules on which the fair is based: (1) Don't worry about getting the men interested in the fair. Sell the idea to the ladies. (2) Take everybody in town in on the task of fair planning. (3) Don't boss or heckle committees. Let the individual assume full responsibility. (4) Distribute detailed reports on the fair to every family in town—with personal thank-you notes.

"Jimmy" Cunningham grew up in the atmosphere of church festivals, church suppers, church fairs, church sales, and church-contribution campaigns. His boyhood home on Annisquam's River Road faced up the tidal waters of Lobster Cove toward the white church that had stood above Town Landing since 1728. The village name is an Indian word that means "Pleasant Waters." It had been just that for the fishing boats sloshing home from the Newfoundland Banks with loads of cod, halibut, and haddock, and for the privateer Squammers outfitted to run British blockades during the Revolution and War of 1812. The yellow oilskin headgear worn by sailors and deep-sea fishermen during storms are still known as "Squam Hats."

Generation by generation, the ladies held cake sales, sewed quilts and aprons, and enticed menfolk to a midsummer "fair" in order to pay the preacher, support local charities, and maintain the church in its symbolic beauty. It was that way when Lieutenant "Jimmy" Cunningham taught French to a plebe named Dwight Eisenhower at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1911. It was that way when he retired as commander of harbor

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Squam's Fair

(Begins on page 22)

defenses on Puget Sound in 1946 and hurried back across the continent to 44 River Road, Annisquam.

Four years ago, at the parish committee meeting, Stanley Jensen, a district sales manager for one of the big flour companies, suggested that an all-out effort be made to turn the next fair into a community event. He believed the streets around the post office and Community Center could be turned into a dazzling midway for the day, with entertainment scheduled from noon to midnight. The first objective, the committee felt, must be to discard the term "church fair" for a distinctive name. A local journalist stared down cove and suggested "Sea Fair."

The New Englander's love for auctions is as enduring as his granite headlands. Local attics and cellars overflowed with odd-

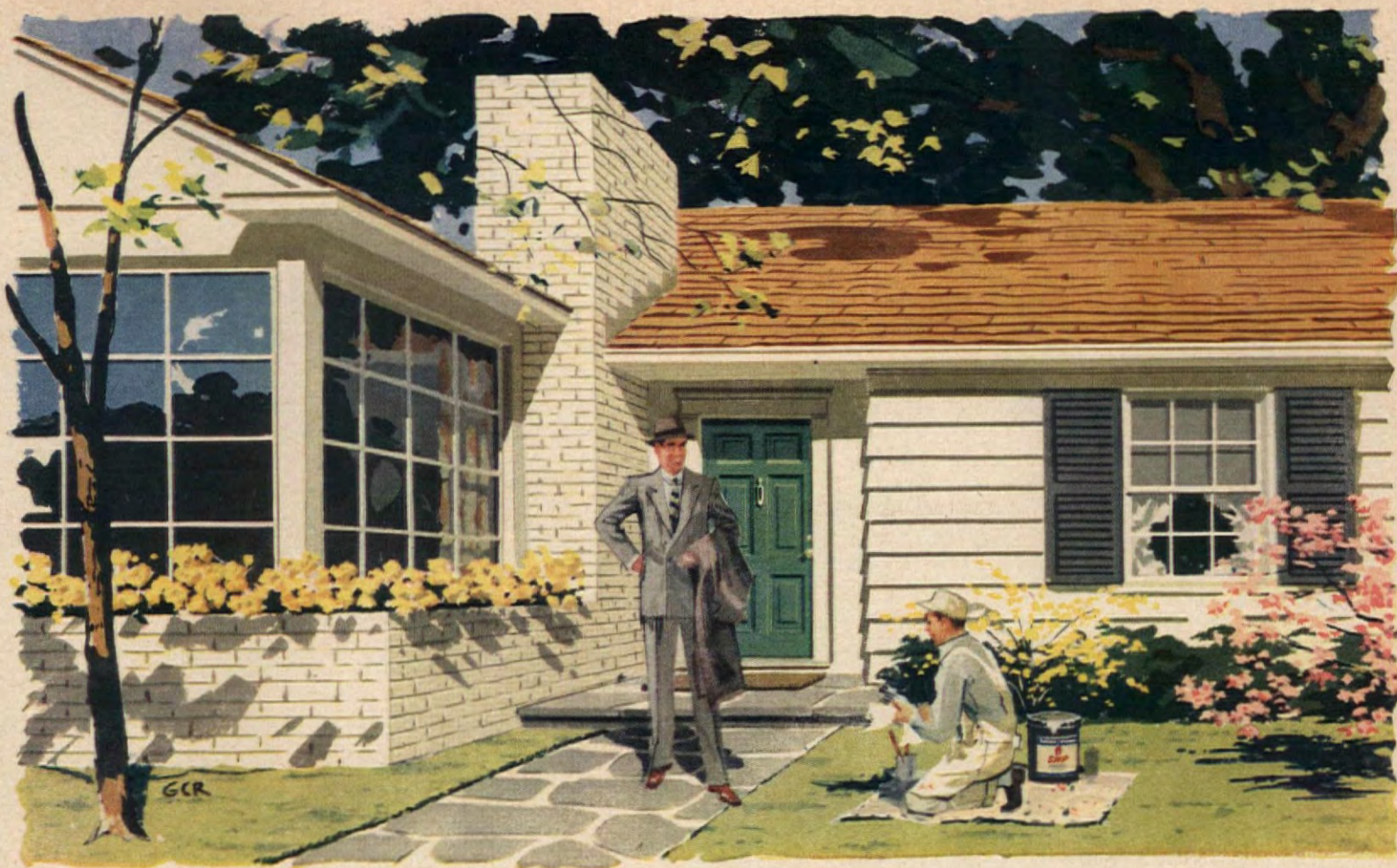
ments that, though retired from daily use, were too good for the junkmen. So an assortment of iceboxes, commodes, garden ploughs, bamboo rakes, chopping bowls, picture frames, and even two serviceable rowboats came to the fair. Even summer Squammers pitched in to help, for one a professor of literature who confessed enduring love for Punch-and-Judy shows. He constructed and operated one on the grounds for junior fair-goers. The Sewing Bee, Sewing Circle, and other women's groups, having prepared an array of aprons, smocks, and quilts, went into arduous kitchen huddles with cake tins and recipes. The men, stunned to action, came up with an assort-



ment of homemade games—basketball, ring toss, "Guess your Age," and darts. The shapeliest brunette in town prepared to don a broomstick skirt and flowing shirt, smear a gill of rouge on her cheeks, and swish to the black canvas tent labeled "Madame Firenze, Palmistry and Star-gazing." A local band offered to compah all afternoon on the steps of the post office, and a bank loaned two cashiers and an auditor to handle the cash collections.

The church treasurer beamed at the next meeting. The Sea Fair was in—permanent organization was in order. General Cunningham accepted chairmanship of the committee, which holds its first public meeting in mid-March. Now the Sea Fair has 38 standing committees, including the Red Cross, Village Hall Association, the Leonard Club, and the police, fire, highway, and school departments of adjoining Gloucester city. The fair made a profit of \$3,584.57 in 1952. And, as the General says, "Everybody has fun, and the church, the Community Center, and the Hobby Shop are solvent."





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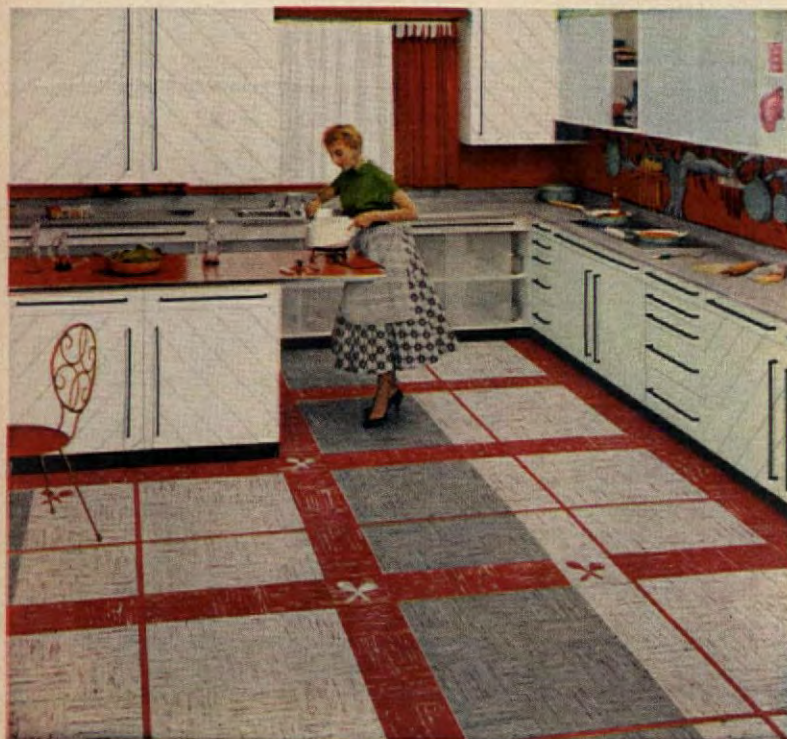
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"Let my child travel alone?" you ask. Thousands of parents permit it. Some take 500-mile journeys for long stays with relatives, while others visit overnight with a neighbor's child. We heartily endorse family vacations and have taken our children with us from babyhood on. But we have learned the benefits of allowing youngsters to visit away from us. It gives them a sense of adventure, a feeling of importance and independence. It is real training in responsibility and self-control.

What can we parents do to ensure our youngsters a satisfactory and happy time away from home? Preparation is perhaps the most important step. Give your child the opportunity to stay overnight at a friend's house, then ask his friends as guests. It is too much of an emotional upset to send any child away for a month, or even a week, without previous experience. Follow the example of the YMCA where boys under nine are considered too young for overnight camping. For them, day camping from nine to five is provided. Girl Scouts have a similar program. Brownies have summer camping by day and are required one overnight stay prior to their regular two-week camping period. After gradual adjustment any child is better prepared for separation from family and home.

Before Eva Jo's trip to Grandmother's, she had been on short train trips with the family, and had traveled 50 miles to the city with an older brother, where they were met by family friends. She was familiar with train routine and personnel, and said, "I know everything except what to tip. But I guess ten cents for a dollar and—just in case—three pennies extra."

You wonder if your child will adjust to other family routines and customs? Relax. The few differences will not be drastic, and no doubt he'll enjoy the novelty. Help your child to recognize and consider rights of others by teaching him the simple, everyday good manners. Let him know *you* appreciate the "thank you" and "please," and he will remember them when he visits.

Will your child be homesick? At times, yes. Tell him that it's natural, and that you'll miss him, too. But remind him of what fun he'll have telling about the exciting things he will do and promise that you'll write every other day. Keep your word, and do give thought to what you write. Tell him the news, but don't let him think he's missing anything at home. Be like the father whose son read his letter and then exclaimed, "Guys, get a load of this! Dad says it's the hottest week in years. He sure wishes he were here in the mountains. Boy, am I glad I'm here!"

Before a youngster does any traveling, check all travel data thoroughly. Decide which form of transportation is best suited to your child, and make his reservations as far ahead as possible.

Different rules govern different types of travel. For example, airlines vary in their requirements of children traveling alone. Bus company policy is based on the individual child and his capabilities. Train companies insist a child be eight years of age before he travels alone, and then, only if it is daytime and he does not have to change trains. At ten, he may travel alone at night provided he has a Pullman reservation. The various transportation companies and their personnel are not responsible for a youngster, but will provide every precaution for a safe, happy journey. You will be asked about the child—about his home address and who is to meet him—when you buy his ticket.

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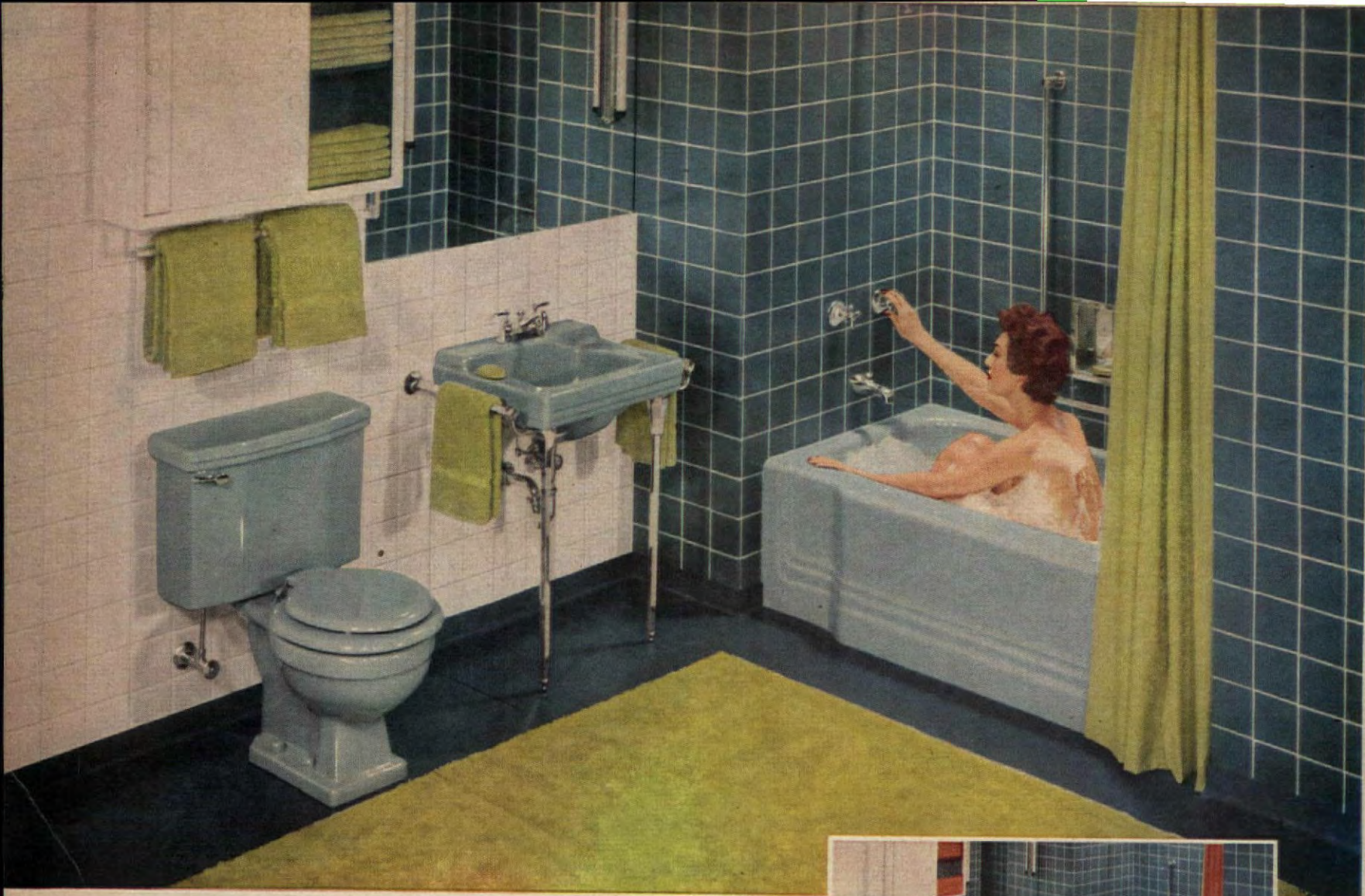
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8 Ways to Finance Your Dream Kitchen

1 SECURED BANK LOAN

2 ORIGINAL MORTGAGE (Package Mortgage)

3 REFINANCING ORIGINAL MORTGAGE

4 OPEN-END MORTGAGE, TYPE A

5 OPEN-END MORTGAGE, TYPE B

6 F. H. A. TITLE 1 MODERNIZATION LOAN

7 TIME-PAYMENT FINANCING

8 UNIT-BY-UNIT MODERNIZATION

When you build a house, a whopping big investment goes into the kitchen; and when most people remodel, bringing the kitchen up to date is the first thing they plan for—and the thing many houses need most. But the elements that make for one wonderful kitchen—the newest of appliances, the plentiful well-planned cabinets, the carpentry and paint—can run into money, and the tab tots up quickly if you do a complete job. Ask the gal who owns one, and she'll tell you that every cent invested in a dream kitchen has bought a dollar's worth of efficiency—and euphoria.

But not many people can afford to pay cash on the barrel head for the whole thing at once. Nor need they nowadays. The practice of financing kitchens through mortgages and other types of borrowing has only recently become widespread, but during the past decade or so, banks, utility companies, and other sterling institutions have been encouraging homeowners to stop dreaming and start doing. If your credit rating is good, you'll have no trouble in financing a new kitchen in an old house (or a whole roster of kitchen equipment in a new one) in one of the ways we suggest.

Estimate what your kitchen improvements would cost, then discuss the methods of financing them with your banker to see which type of borrowing is best for you. In the discussion below, we have taken a nice, round \$1000 as a point of departure. We don't mean to imply that you can have a whole new dream boat for that. But, especially if you pitch in and contribute your own labor for carpentry and decorating, \$1000 will make a lot of your dreaming come true.

Borrowing money always costs money, of course, and the longer the term of the loan, the higher the total sum you'll pay out as interest. But long-term loans are a boon to many a family, because they have the advantage of smaller monthly payments. Interest rates on each type of loan will vary in different parts of the country, and will depend upon your own credit rating, and where and how you borrow the money. Those we give are typical.

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2. ORIGINAL MORTGAGE (PACKAGE MORTGAGE): Now, by adding the cost of kitchen equipment to your original house mortgage, you can finance your kitchen when you buy your house. Until World War II, the usual mortgage ordinarily covered only land and building. Today, in almost every section of the country, progressive banks and financial institutions willingly include such equipment as ranges, refrigerators, automatic washers and dryers, and the like in what is

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IT'S A LAUNDRY: Automatic washer and dryer are separated from cooking area. Next to them, an 11-cubic-foot freezer—in the kitchen so you can make the most of its talents

IT'S A MODERN KITCHEN: Compact work triangle comprises electric range, sink with dishwasher, refrigerator. Under wall cabinets, strip lighting fixtures have appliance outlets—plenty. Textolite counter tops flash up on wall to eliminate crumb-catching crevices

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This

When one of the biggest manufacturers of kitchen and laundry equipment builds a model kitchen, and actually uses it at least as much as any home kitchen is used, its plan is worth close study. And if, in addition, it was decorated by the staff of AMERICAN HOME, with the requirements of its readers in mind, it is surely worth a long look—so come in and visit.

This exemplary living-kitchen (and a gander at Poppa stretched out on that day bed shows that the "living" part is no mere courtesy title) flourishes in the New York offices of the General Electric Appliance Corporation, where it is used continually for executive luncheons, dinners, and for countless food demonstrations.

But first of all, kitchen planner Gerald Macari designed it as a model kitchen, packed with ideas for smart homeowners. Realistic ideas they are too, for the plan on page 75 will show that, although it occupies no more space than the kitchen and dining area in the average new home, expert blueprinting makes it a four-way room:

1. As a kitchen, it's compact and efficient as a ship's galley. But the cook who performs here is in a commanding position. The kitchen part is raised a step above the cozy living-dining-den part, and the cooking peninsula acts as a room divider. When the cook presides at her range, she can enjoy the companionship of the family assembled below.

2. As a laundry, it houses washer, dryer, and freezer where they are handiest. Few kitchens this size are so accommodating.

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FEATURED IN THIS KITCHEN:

All major appliances, cabinets, air conditioning, lighting, General Electric; kitchen flooring, Goodyear vinyl; rug, Bigelow-Sanford's "Southampton"; tables and chairs, Heywood-Wakefield's "Old Colony" group; drapery fabric, Everfast; sofa fabric, Jafa; all accessories, china, linen, from B. Altman, New York. For further details about merchandise shown, see "Where Credit Is Due," page 88.

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Dream Kitchen Combines

*Laundry
Kitchen
Dining Room
Den
Air Conditioning*



IT'S A DINING ROOM, planned for real dining, not just "snacking"—and it was furnished accordingly and graced with some good Americana. A pair of window air conditioners make a "hot kitchen" as obsolete as a coal stove, and the wood paneling, which adds so much to the whole tone of the room, cleverly camouflages both the conditioners and the radiators

IT'S A DEN: A "living-kitchen" can't really attract the family beyond mealtimes unless it caters to their leisure. This one does. Peninsula, formed by the range and the serving counter backing it up, removes the "living" part from the cooking area, without in the least isolating the cook—she is very much a part of conversation taking place here





Cay Nissly loves working here because each job has a work area of its own. Mixing center has pop-up mixer compartment, drawer for sugar and flour. She also blesses swing-out corner cupboard shown above



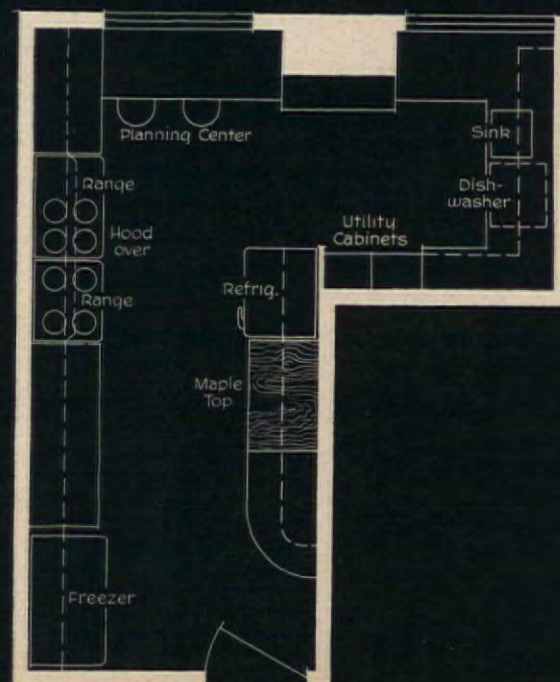
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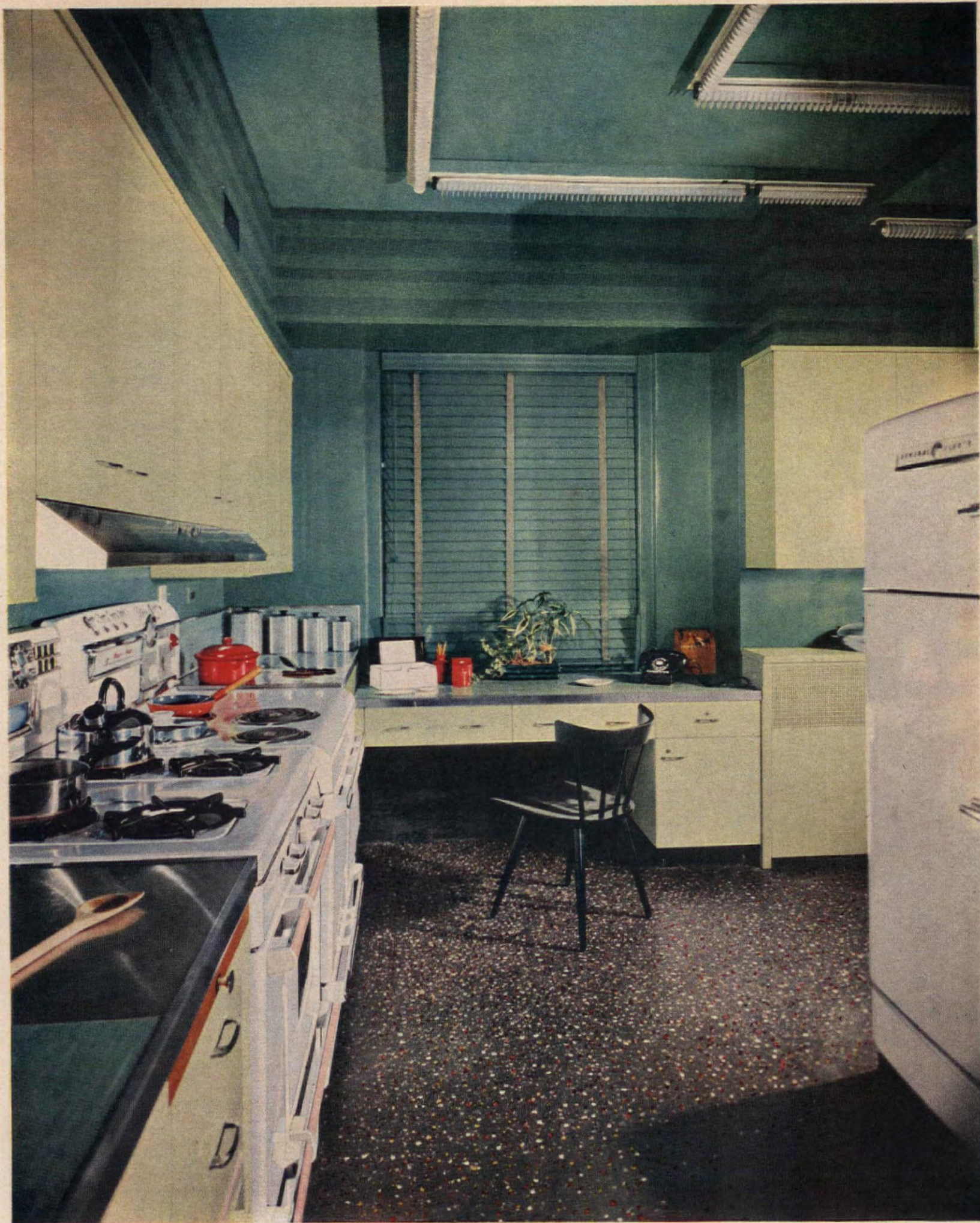
Newest kitchen at AMERICAN HOME was planned for testing, but many a visitor—and editor—has duplicated its good features at home

What cooks here? Well, our "Take-A's," for one thing, and for each recipe we publish, we're apt to try—and screen out—dozens of ideas just not discriminating, not AMERICAN HOME, enough to give you. But you can never quite tell what's cooking here, for this serene oasis of a room is also the "lab" where we try hundreds of experiments with new food products, and new ways with old ones, conjured up by Food Director Anne Barnard and Food Editor Cay Nissly. It's the newest and handsomest of a covey of kitchens in our office—there are others for Good Victuals, Family Food, and for the exhaustive testing of every new appliance, pot, and pan put on the market. It's a spot beloved by our whole "family," especially when taste-testing is in progress (in order to get cross-section reactions to new recipes, Anne and Cay invite staff members to "sample," and report their anonymous opinions on slips of paper).

But whether a kitchen is used 35 hours a week by a homemaker, or (as this one often is) for 25 woman-hours in a single day by a pair of editors and their assistants, some of the same features make for comfort, efficiency,

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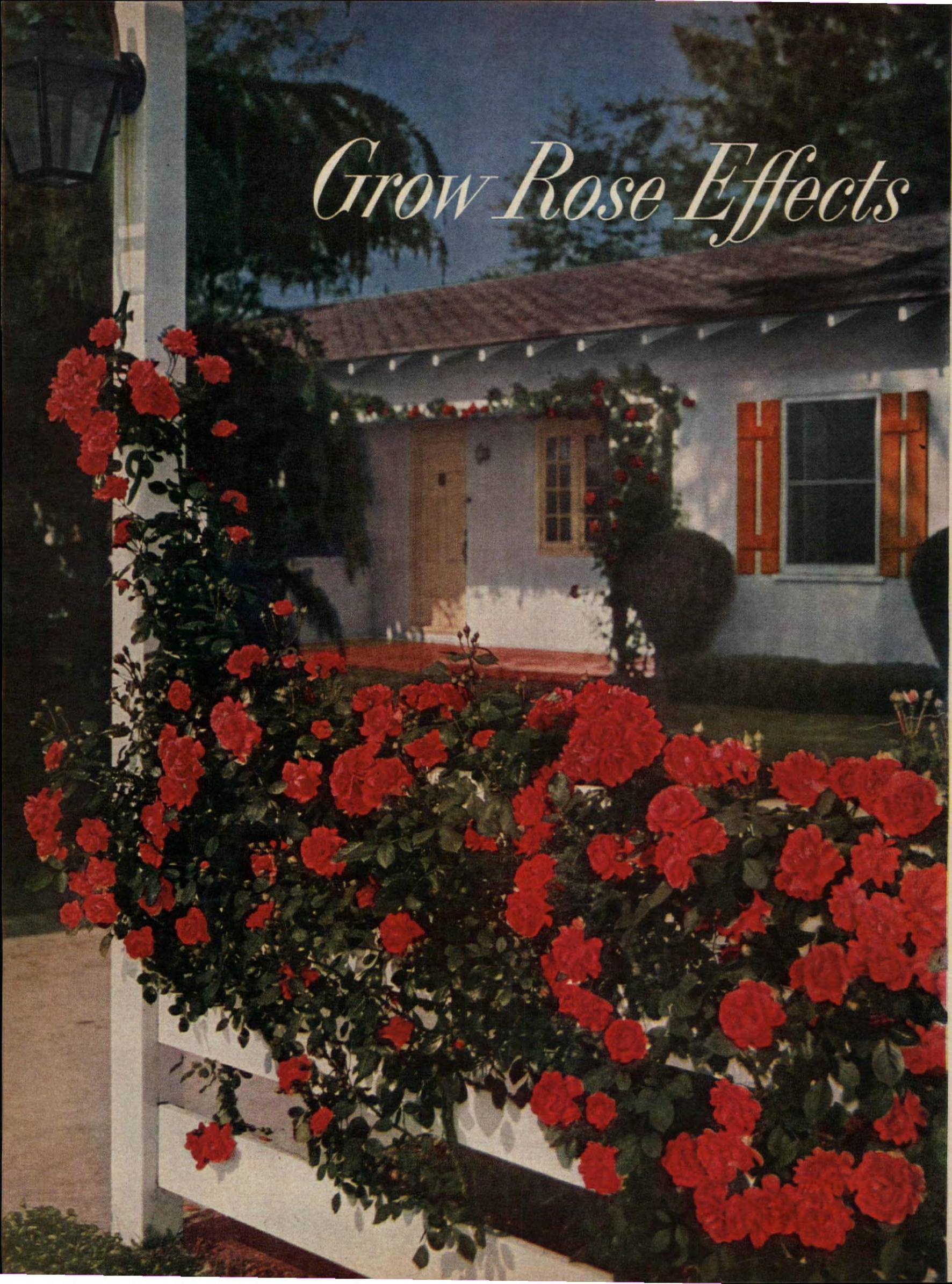




Anne Barnard loves narrow plan which lines up work centers on either side, and she extolls efficiency of base cabinets which house pots, pans, and staples in drawers or sliding shelves. Location of sink in an L was necessary in office building, but we don't recommend such a plan for a home

FEATURED IN THIS KITCHEN: Steel cabinets, custom-installed by St. Charles Kitchens; Armstrong's "Spatter" linoleum flooring; Trade-Wind exhaust fan in wall cabinets over range. Frigidaire air conditioner. KitchenAid dishwasher. Gas and electric ranges, refrigerator, and freezer are changed regularly to test new models.

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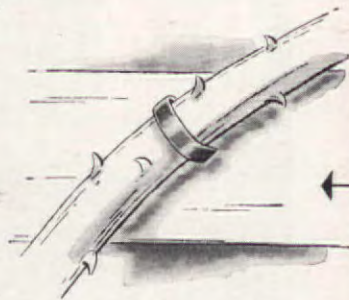
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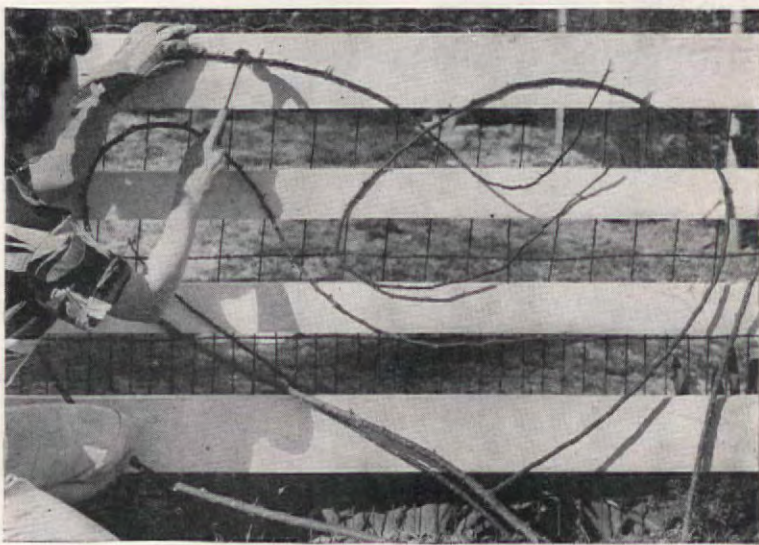
The value of roses for landscape usage is all too often overlooked. A fence that is, by itself, dull and uninteresting, not only can provide a rich, clarifying background for a rose bush, but also beautify itself in doing so. Careful arrangement of the branches can afford endless design and pattern possibilities, and do much for the rose, too. For if stems are trained in circular, fan-shape, or candelabrum form, the plant sap, disinclined to flow downward, will back up along them, thus causing more buds to "break" or start into life and produce more blossoms. Also, an open pattern permits more air circulation, lets more sun reach the foliage, and lessens the chance of mildew and other diseases.

Pruning is a controversial subject. Because roses like Pauls Scarlet Climber produce the best flowers on the previous year's growth, I use the method pictured and described here. I chose Pauls Scarlet because it is a strong grower with flexible canes, of brilliant color and cluster-blooming habit.

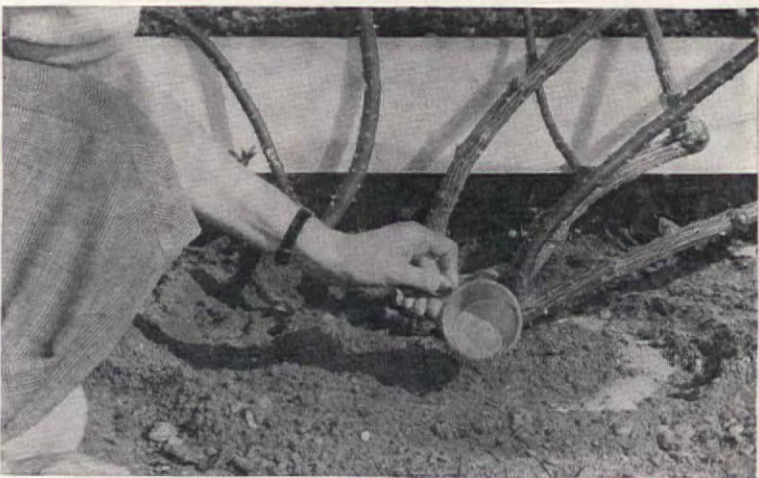
If there is any secret in growing dazzling rose displays, it is, I think, proper watering. Be liberal, especially in sandy soil; don't set a schedule, but dig to see when water is needed and how much. If, 12 hours after it is applied, it has wet the soil 15 inches deep, that is enough. Otherwise, more is needed.



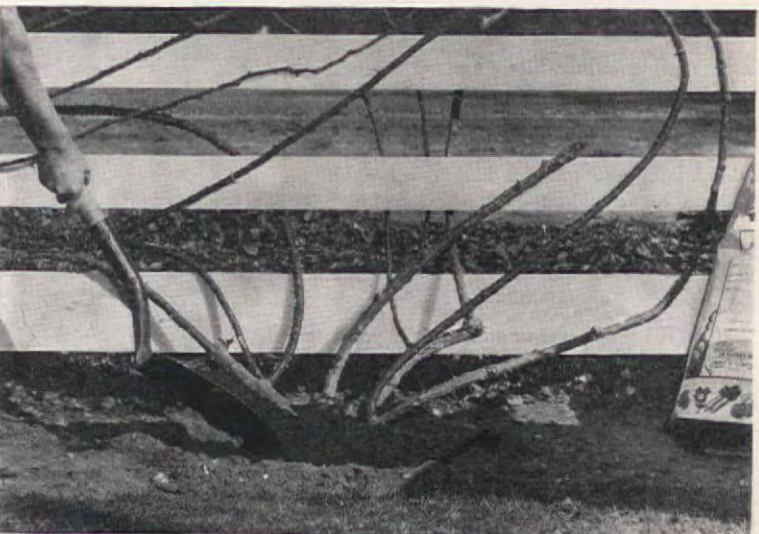
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1. Working with a thrifty, established plant, I prune rather severely in midsummer after the first heavy blooming, cutting out mostly the oldest canes. The new ones, which grow rapidly, I leave untrained, until fall, when any remaining old ones are taken out right to the ground or main stem and replaced by young growth

2. In the fall, I train the long, flexible canes (with most of the side shoots cut back) in appropriate patterns against the fence and secure them with large staples (as shown in sketch) that leave plenty of room for growth. Instead of staples, soft cloth or strips of cloth can be used and nailed or tied to the support

3. I feed the plants once a year, in spring when the new growth is about an inch long, thus: I open a shallow basin of ample size around each plant and in it distribute evenly, at least six inches from the plant, one half to three quarters of a cup of a balanced commercial fertilizer, and scratch it into the soil with a cultivator

4. Finally, I top dress with three inches of compost, well-rotted manure, bean straw, or peat moss, and water well. The mulch adds humus to the soil, protects rose roots from the hot sun, conserves moisture, helps control weeds. (If any appear, pull out rather than cultivate and risk injuring the plant's feeding roots.)

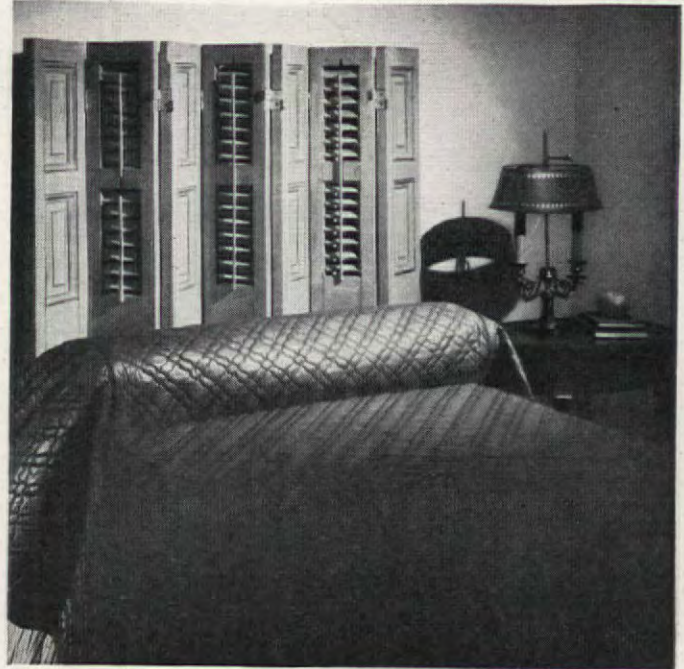
Bound to Go to Your Head

If you're using a box spring and mattress in a tiny bedroom, guest room, or den, make good capital of it with these small investments



Orange paint and a white glass top doctor up a drab chest that polishes off two birds with one stone: it not only serves as a storage space for linens and extra clothing, but also holds a lamp and acts as a back rest for the habitual reader-in-bed—and who isn't?

You'll be fenced in and like it if you use a section of cast-iron fence as a headboard. We found this one in a junk yard, and had it cut to fit the width of the bed. Then, after removing the paint, we gave it a coat of zinc oxide to prevent rusting, and finished it off with a flat black paint



Take new shutters or find old ones in an antique shop, hinge them together and *voilà!* you will have a shutter headboard. Stain them to match your wooden bedroom furniture, or paint them a bright accent color





Your books, your clock, even your radio can be so easy to reach on these shelves that you'll probably *never* want to get up. The structure is simple: a pair of standards (attached to the wall with toggle bolts for extra strength) and as many pairs of brackets as you need. You can buy them as a unit, and have shelving cut to order by a lumberyard. Shelves should be well-seasoned pine. Before painting shelves, sand them smooth and seal wood with a thin coat of shellac



Lacy ironwork—paintbrush variety. Copy our design, or compose your own. Draw your motif to size on a piece of brown wrapping paper—first draw one half of the pattern, then repeat it in reverse for the other half. Blacken back of paper with heavy pencil. Tape paper to wall with masking tape. Trace motif onto wall. Then execute pattern with white oil paint



Whether or not you have café curtains at your windows, a pair will give your bed a good background. Hang them on a brass curtain rod attached to the wall with brass screws and screw anchor. And why not have an easy, inexpensive change of pace by buying a solid-color pair to use while the printed ones are being laundered?

They Brought It

BARBARA HART



OWNERS: Mr. and Mrs. H. Theodore Sorg
ARCHITECT: Raymond Peck
DECORATORS: Olson and Milholland
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: Oliver Deakin



Home from *Williamsburg*

As far back as he can remember, American history has fascinated Mr. H. Theodore Sorg of Princeton, New Jersey, and his first visit to Williamsburg took place more than a quarter of a century ago when the famous reconstruction was just beginning. Through the years, Mr. Sorg came back as often as possible, accompanied by his wife and two daughters who shared his enthusiasm for the boxwood and brick and the harmonious existence this Old Dominion town always symbolized. Together, they watched Williamsburg rise again—lock, stock, and periwig!

All the while, the Sorgs lived in a comfortable house, bought ready-built in the early '30s, and they kept dreaming of a Williamsburg home—built in New Jersey, of course. "What we wanted," explains Mrs. Sorg, "was the best of the past—its spirit and its beauty—without sacrificing the comforts and efficiency of contemporary living. And above all, we wanted to avoid being overly quaint or out-of-place in our northern, 20th-century surroundings."

When the time came to build, the Sorgs found their site, a well-shaded acre in Princeton, filled with historic tradition. On it, they'd build a Williamsburg house. But which house? Back to Williamsburg they went for another look at this—and then that—private home and public building. Nothing they saw quite suited their purposes,

though one house attracted them especially—the house built in the early days of the Republic by St. George Tucker, writer, poet, and professor of law at William and Mary. A lovely house, but a big one, with many wings rambling on either side of a high, wide, and handsome central section.

"Entirely too large for us," the Sorgs agreed. Unable to reach a decision, the family started back North, stopping for lunch at the old Hotel Jefferson in Richmond. As they passed through the lobby, Mr. Sorg's eye was caught by—something amazing! There was a mural wallpaper with scenes from early Williamsburg, and on it was pictured a building very reminiscent of the Tucker house they liked so well, but certainly much smaller, sans several wings—just about as much house as the Sorgs were seeking. A careful check proved that the similarity was no accident—the house on the paper was a foreshortened view of the Tucker house, but "edited" down to the size the Sorgs could use comfortably.

That settled it: In a nutshell, the Sorgs built the house illustrated below, inspired by the Tucker house—not as it is, but as the wallpaper pictured it. And, quite naturally, they procured a few rolls of that wallpaper (shown on the opposite page), and they used it on one wall of the dining room of their new home.

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The dining room goes "all out" for Williamsburg with good reproductions. Williamsburg wallpaper (see page 38) is used on one wall, and appears again on a screen in another part of the room. The antique English coffee urn was found in an antique shop in Charleston, South Carolina, its price in British pounds still scratched upon it. Teardrop crystal chandelier is the formal Williamsburg type

In other rooms, the Sorgs tempered their reverence for the past with practical respect for the present. Mrs. Sorg wanted wall-to-wall carpet—unheard of in Williamsburg, but very attractive here. Traditional Oriental scatter rugs, such as the tomato-red beauty by the fireplace, re-establish the 18th-century look

Seating is ample, and comfortable, and the only Williamsburg piece in the living room is a wing chair. A Louis XV chair and a few Victorians were special pets of the mistress of the house—and they are perfectly at home in this atmosphere

From Williamsburg

(Begins on page 38)

To find an architect familiar with Williamsburg, Mr. Sorg wrote to the Williamsburg Foundation, and was delighted to see, among those recommended, the name of Raymond Peck of Plainfield, near Princeton.

A year later, they moved into the house which, at first glance seems to be as pretty, and as conventional a white clapboard with green shutters as you'll find on any good suburban street. But look again and you'll see the details that give it its distinction and its character. The three chimneys are spaced away from the rooftops in the 18th-century manner. The front façade is graced with unusually long, narrow windows of the period (very special custom jobs, though stock windows were used elsewhere). The slate shingles, graduated in size, are identical in shade and type to those used in the Williamsburg reconstruction, and the bricks have just the right pinkish tinge because they came from an old building. The picture is completed by brick walks weaving through gardens that several summers have mellowed. Altogether, a faithful Williamsburg adaptation.

Open the front door, and the similarity ends. "Once we were inside," explains Mrs. Sorg, "we were on our own, and we made no attempt to copy the Tucker floor plan, though we did try to create a suitable background for period decoration." However, all of the ceilings are finished in the kind of rough, porous plaster used in the 18th century, and the widespread use of paneling and authentic moldings adds to the air of antiquity. The wide front-to-back hall of Williamsburg is also preserved, and the staircase was inspired by two different old ones (see page 82). Because window curtains are visible both outside and in, they, too, are pure Williamsburg—

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See "Where Credit is Due" on page 88



A collector's choice of porcelains is housed in the impressive 18th-century Scottish secretary in the living room. Most of the pieces are Meissen or Dresden, but you'll spot, on the desk, some Staffordshire, and a tobacco jar signed by Josiah Wedgwood



Whether you want a suburban lot, or an acre or two out in the country, there are many things to consider before you buy land. Fortunately, it doesn't require the help of an expert to judge the condition of the land—you can do a thorough job of inspecting unaided if you keep your eyes open. However, if you plan to have an architect design your home, it can do no harm to get his opinion of the proposed site. One word of caution, if you've set your heart on a remote acre or so, and if price is a factor: don't be fooled by the apparently lower price of undeveloped land—the cost of providing utilities and sewerage may raise the real price of your building site considerably. Here, then, are some things to look for, and to beware of, in judging the physical properties of land.

GOOD DRAINAGE: Be sure that the plot you select is well drained, for poorly drained land will lead to flooded basements. A lot on a gentle slope is excellent. So is one on the top of a small hill—provided the hill is not so steep that your driveway or street will become hazardous in icy weather. Be careful of lots at the base of hills and those below street level, for these are usually poorly drained. If there is any doubt regarding underground water, it's best to have test holes made before you attempt to build a house with a basement.

LOW-LYING LOTS: You can often judge land that is swampy at certain times of the year just by the vegetation. Watch out for land where swamp grass, cattails, and willows grow, for these are to be found only where there is a quantity of surface moisture. It's always a good idea to visit a plot of land directly after a hard rain, for in this way you can easily see whether the soil absorbs the water or whether the water stands about for several hours or more.

ROCKY LAND: Outcroppings of rock may indicate ledge rock close to the surface, and this means a high cost for excavation. If you live in an area where there is a good deal of rock and you don't find any outcroppings, it might be wise to have test bores made before purchasing the land.

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So You're Going to Buy Land!





THE HARLAN FLINTS REMODEL A HEN HOUSE

STUART HALE

The Starting Point: A brooder with southern exposure. The End Result: An attractive, spacious home for parents and their five children. The Story: Some years back, the Flints of North Kingstown, Rhode Island, bought a 35-acre tract complete with house and assorted outbuildings, including a chicken brooder, 121' x 20'. They moved into the Colonial residence. Just what you'd expect. When the housing shortage became acute, they took a long look at the brooder, found it clean, sound, and equipped with good cement floor, and a heating system—so they converted it into three rental apartments. For six years, the Flints continued to live in the dark and cramped Colonial while they wistfully eyed the sun-filled and spacious brooder. Finally they took the sensible step—remodeled the brooder for themselves, endowing it with hardwood floors, fireplaces, and other accouterments of good living. Since the structure's 121 feet of southern exposure was protected by a roof overhang, they used French windows to open it up to a grassy terrace. Now the Flints have the space, sun, and air they need.

Cramped in a conventional house, they created this home for a big family and their antiques



Converted brooder makes a simple and sympathetic background for the Flints' handsome furniture, much of it antique. Big dining room has, in addition to the table, an eating counter at one end. A pass-through from the kitchen simplifies service for their large family



JANE FISHER

Ribbon Glass—

Says Mrs. Dorr: "Collecting Early American pressed glass in the ribbon pattern is like belonging to a club. It has brought me many agreeable friendships." We know what she means, because we have been flooded with fan mail for Mrs. Dorr's "Rebecca at the Well" compote, shown on our March, 1954, cover; and since Rebecca was such a star, we thought you'd enjoy these other selections from the Dorr collection. Actually, Mrs. Dorr has given away a large part of her collection as wedding presents—with the hope of bestowing as part of her gift the joy of collecting. "Much of the fun in collecting vanishes after the hunt. It's the chase that holds the collector," she tells us. The "chase" in this case has covered many states of the union—Rebecca was discovered in an antique shop in Kentucky; a prize bitters bottle turned up in Connecticut to reward the hunter for a hike of miles through the snow. And once, Mrs. Dorr spotted a pair of dolphin



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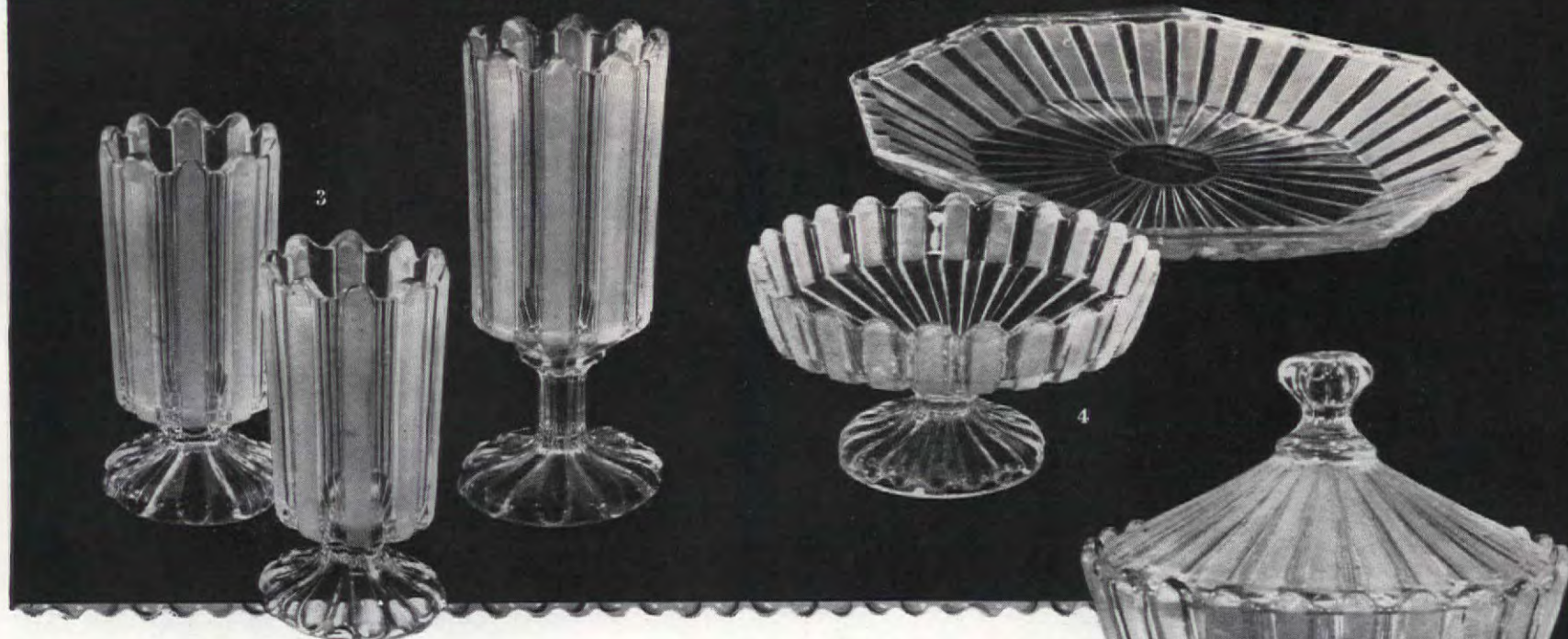
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The Helen Dorr Collection

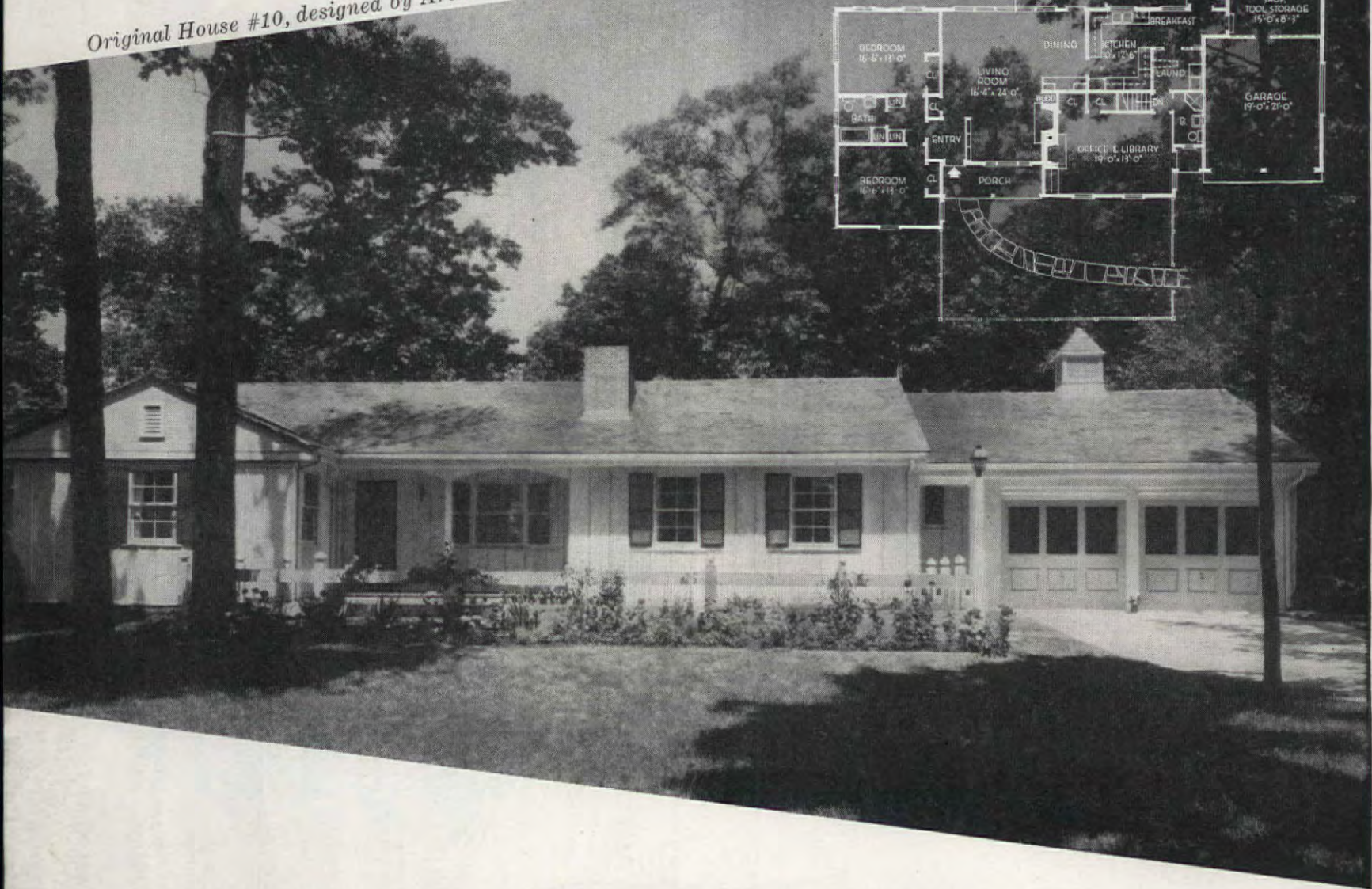
candlesticks in a tiny Paris shop—and couldn't find the shop when she returned to buy them.

The first ribbon glass was probably made in Pittsburgh about 1850, by Bakewell, Pears, and Company, and the Pittsburgh firm of George Dunkin and Sons was another early producer. Footed dishes with dolphin stems were among initial items in this pattern, and they were distinguished by alternating panels of clear and frosted glass, the frosting apparently achieved by grinding or sand-blasting. Later, acid was used for the frosting, and a smoother frosting resulted. A variation is a lightweight glass known as "Double Ribbon" with one frosted panel between two clear ones. According to Mrs. Dorr, ribbon glass is one of the few pressed glass patterns not successfully reproduced in modern times—a factor important to collectors. Champagne glasses and plates are hard to find in this pattern, and goblets are as elusive as they are in any 19th-century pressed glass. Here are some of Mrs. Dorr's favorites: 1. Dolphin compote. 2. Relish dish and flat sauce dish. 3. Celery holder and two spoon holders. 4. Platter and low-footed compote. 5. Covered compote. 6. Water tray, goblets, and pitcher. 7. Cordial glass and honey dish. 8. Marmalade jar, pickle jar, and bitters bottle. 9. Large covered cheese dish. 10. Sugar and creamer. 11. Open compote.



THE STORY OF HOUSE #10

Original House #10, designed by Architect Bertram A. Weber, first published in our February 1952 issue



If you would like to catch five-pound bass off the back porch of your Blueprint House #10, come on down and see us! We built the house, and we love it—and there's a nice little lake, well stocked, right in back." So writes Mrs. B. W. Carter of Clinton, North Carolina. Now, we *are* all anglers. . . . But angles aside, no communications we receive are more heart-warming than those with news of homes built from our blueprints. Because it's fascinating to see how different families adapt the self-same plan to their own land, needs, and tastes, we thought you'd enjoy looking over our shoulders at a handful of histories of House #10, a plan which sold by the thousands.

You see the original above, a house first published in our February, 1952 issue. In addition to uncommon appeal, it has a very special feature—a big front room and bath with separate street entry. The owner used it as an office, but this suite has many other uses, as builders of #10 discovered.

1. THE F. EDGAR BOSSARDS, of Easton, Pennsylvania, moved into their house a bare seven months after #10 first appeared in *THE AMERICAN HOME*. "But," writes Mr. Bossard, "we have seen no plans

since we wish we had followed instead." They built on a high acre with a view, reversed the plan for better orientation on their site, raised the pitch of the roof, used clapboard and slate roofing, enlarged the garage—and planted flowering trees and bushes like mad. "It looks as if we had lived here for years," beams Mr. B.

2. THE C. M. KEHLERS, of Montoursville, Pennsylvania, built their house of brick, faced the garage to the side, added a bay window, opened the library to the living room, and put their laundry equipment in the basement to create a whopping breakfast room. Rear windows take in a view of three wooded acres.

3. THE JAMES K. PORTERS, of Chester, Virginia, "are enchanted with our home and feel that we, and the house, 'belong' together. I spent most of my childhood on Cape Cod," writes Mrs. Porter, "and like the Colonial feeling of this house—but we're grateful for the space and the ranch-house plan. 'Office' is our bedroom, and our teen-agers have the bedroom wing. I always did want a fireplace in the bedroom."

4. THE KENNETH R. PARKERS, of Waterloo, New York, were shopping around for house-plan ideas while visiting in California. But the best plan they found

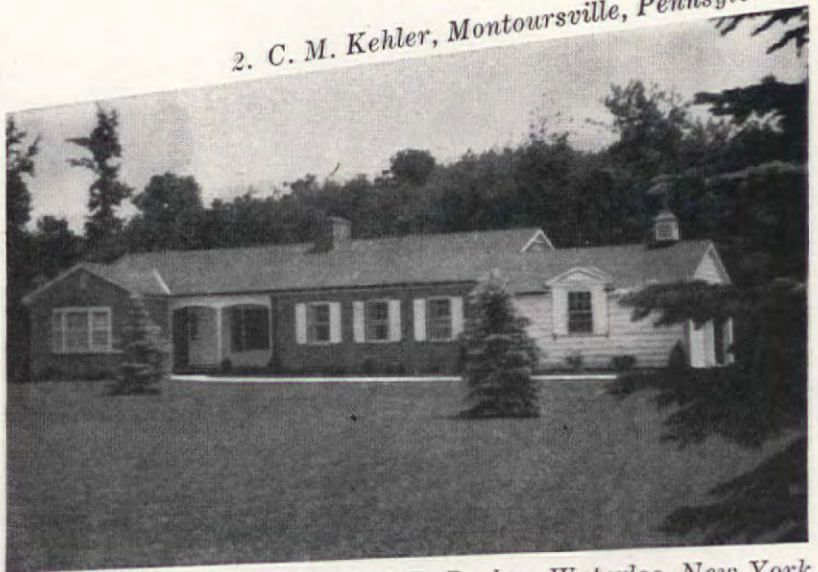
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1. F. Edgar Bossard, Easton, Pennsylvania



2. C. M. Kehler, Montoursville, Pennsylvania



3. James K. Porter, Chester, Virginia



4. Kenneth R. Parker, Waterloo, New York



5. G. S. Jordan, Virginia Beach, Virginia



6. Jerome Sinaiko, Madison, Wisconsin




How It Grew and Grew

How different families adapted the same
flexible AMERICAN HOME blueprints to their own land, tastes,
and requirements. (Like to build your own variation? See coupon on page 82.)

MORE
EXAMPLES
ON PAGES
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HUBBARD H. CORB

Buy Patterns—



NO SPECIAL METAL SHEARS are needed to cut the aluminum sheets—a pair of ordinary household scissors will do the job nicely. Just mark your cutting lines with a soft pencil or a scribe and go to work. You'll find that the sheets cut surprisingly easily and the cutting won't harm scissors


A new aluminum alloy, formulated and distributed

for working at home without special tools,

now enables you to construct furniture such as this



NO SPECIAL REAMERS are needed to remove burrs left on the inside of the aluminum tubing after cutting. Just take a penknife and peel them off. You can smooth off other shaped pieces of stock the same way




Until now, our AMERICAN HOME patterns haven't called for the use of much metal for the very good reason that most metals require special tools, are hard to work, and aren't available at local retail outlets. However, the material that you see here has changed the picture completely—it's a special do-it-yourself aluminum alloy developed by the Reynolds Metals Company and sold through hardware stores, department stores, and lumberyards.

As our illustrations attest, it is as satisfactory a material for an amateur to handle as wood. It's plenty strong enough for all sorts of building jobs, and the best part of all is that it can be worked with ordinary woodworking tools, either hand or power, without in the least harming those tools. The trick was turned by adding just enough soft alloy to make aluminum workable without making it too soft for strength.

It is available in rods, bars, angles, and tubing in six-foot lengths, and you can also get it in sheets, 36 inches square, either plain or embossed. To use with it, there are various fastening devices—screws, nuts, and bolts, angle irons, rivets, etc.

Its weather-resisting qualities make it ideal for framing outdoor furniture, so to encourage you to discover this new material's properties, we combined it with redwood—a wood exceptionally resistant to weather, and one that requires no painting nor other upkeep—and prepared patterns for this inviting chair (2054) and comfortable chaise (2055). Both are blueprint patterns, complete with additional illustrations of the metal-working operations required.

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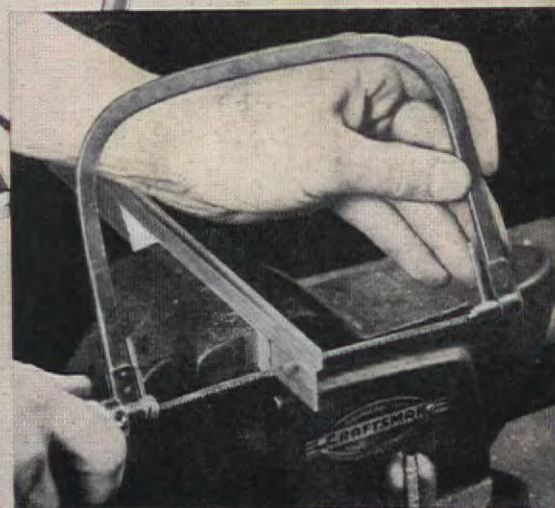
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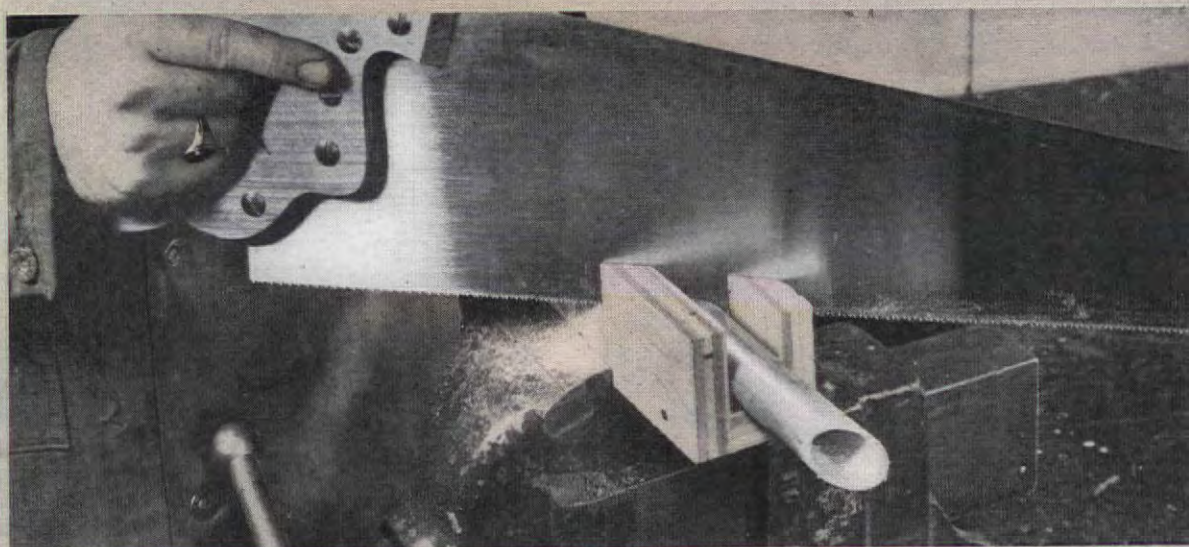
NO EXPENSIVE BENDING DEVICES are needed to bend tubing, rod, or bars. Make jig undersized (to allow for spring-back). Fill tubing with wet sand to prevent sides' collapsing



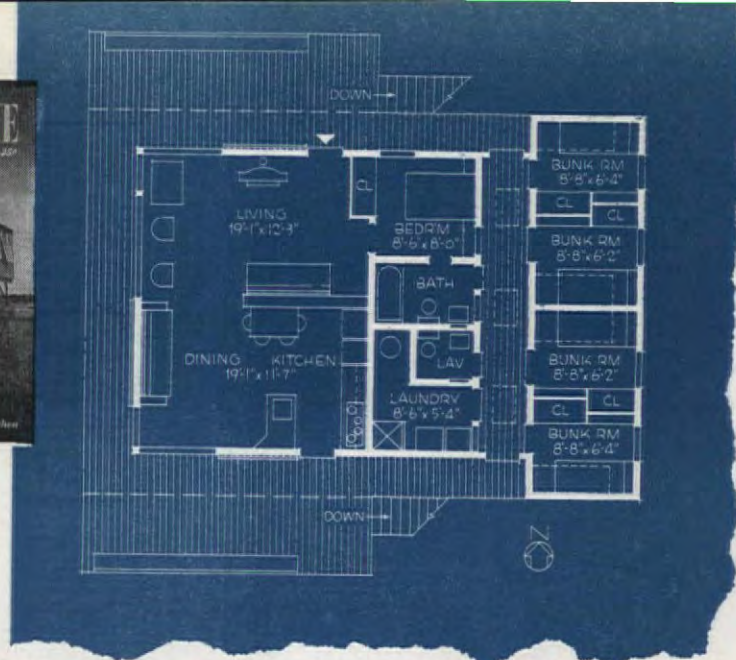
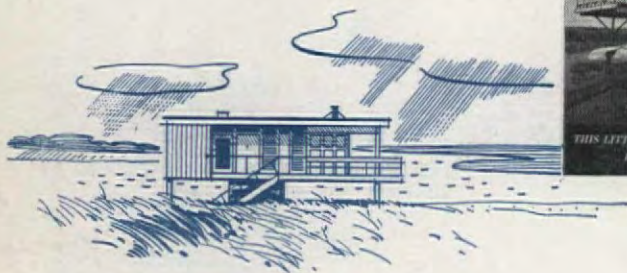
PATTERN 2055



NO SPECIAL SAW is needed for cutting solid or hollow stock. You can use a coping saw, hand saw, power jig saw, or a table saw to cut this aluminum. When using power saws it's best to wear goggles to keep bits of aluminum out of your eyes. A combination saw blade works well



NO SPECIAL JIGS are needed for cutting miters. Your power saw will do the job and so will an ordinary hand saw in a miter box. A fine-toothed hand saw will make a cleaner cut than one with coarse teeth. If you rub paraffin on the saw blade, the saw will work more easily



Vacation Headquarters—for 12!

Housekeeping is both light and hospitable in this cleverly designed beach house which would be equally at home in the mountains or in the woods

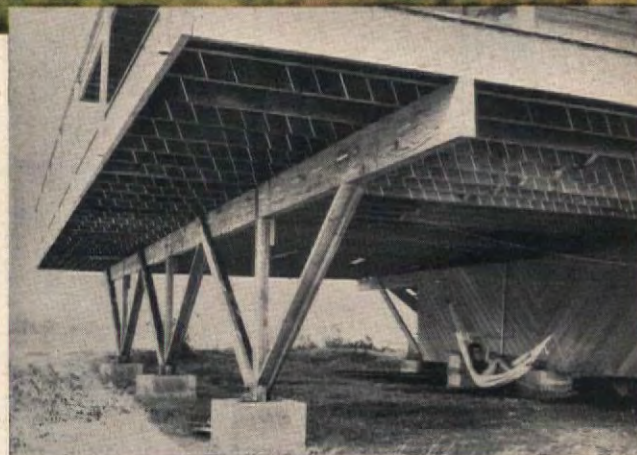


BLUEPRINT HOUSE #32 • YOU CAN BUY PLANS • SEE ORDER FORM, PAGE 82



The day the photographs of this house arrived at our office, no less than seven staff members demanded the blueprints, and expressed the intention of duplicating it. We expect the good ideas it represents to start a real trend in vacation houses, for although it was engineered to perch over high tides at a beach (see cover and details on page 80), the plan is ideal for a Shangri-La anywhere, and adaptable for year-round use as well. We like it because, although it is small (42' x 31'), it can take on 12 residents thanks to the four-room, eight-passenger bunkhouse at one end. We like it because that all-purpose room pictured opposite is large enough for a whole gang to enjoy in inclement weather, and because the kitchen, and the cook, are right in the middle of things. We like it because its easy-to-maintain materials (cypress, asbestos board, plastic tile) take none of the edge off vacationing. We also like it because there's nothing tricky nor pretentious about its very inventive design. And because we're so clear "gone" on it, we've prepared blueprints for those of you who may share our sentiments (see Blueprint Order Form page 82).

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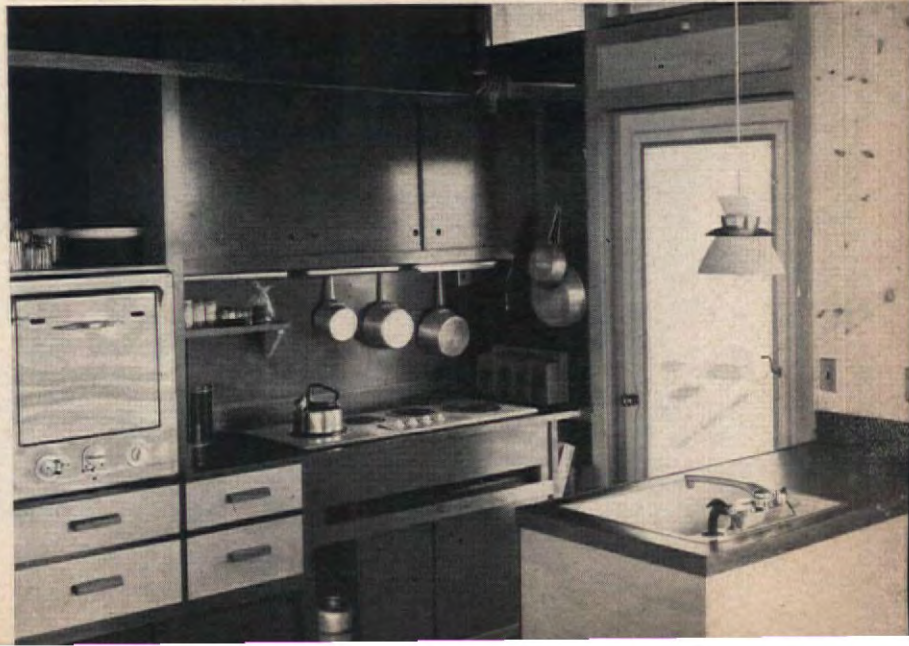


It's a crow's-nest of a house, perched on piers. In summer, area under it provides cool shade, but seasonal tides do no harm when they rise here (see page 80). Substructure is a store room

Sleeping quarters in the bunkhouse are tiny rooms—simple, and easy to keep shipshape as any seagoing cabin



The cook is never isolated in this vacation headquarters, for an excellent cooking area is built into a wall of the all-purpose room. Note garbage chute near oven



Painted Furniture is back



in Style

Now that painted furniture has come into its own again, it's time to reappraise that attic inventory, and to paint new high style upon it with the aid of our patterns. Old chest at your left leads a new life thanks to a soft background tone, full-blown bouquets which would also look well on valances. Seven motifs in Painting Pattern 1528



DOROTHY LAMBERT TRUMM

We found a monstrous oak buffet, all gussied up with lion-head drawers (now replaced by plain pine fronts), and horrid claw feet (now removed). Reeded posts remain to give it a Regency feeling. Painted designs, from an old French jug, are all included in Painting Pattern 1529

To dress an old desk or chest, borrow motifs from Jean Pillement, 18th-century French designer to royalty who himself borrowed themes from the Chinese. Trace designs on a soft background color, paint with tube oils, finish with antique glaze. Twelve motifs in Painting Pattern 1532

For details on merchandise, see "Where Credit Is Due," page 88



With its intricate gold embellishments, this once-battered table looks elegant as all get-out, and you'd be afraid to look at its price tag! But a complete amateur could perform the necessary resuscitation with some bronze powders plus the easy-to-use stencils in Pattern 1530. Chair became a conversation piece when we enhanced its graceful lines with another group of motifs of the Pillement school—Painting Pattern 1531

Put real hope into an old cedar, or scratched, sort-of-walnut chest by applying these designs from an old Swiss dower chest, affectionately decorated in the year 1839. Landscape medallions, nosegays of roses, geometric motifs, and scrolls are all included in Painting Pattern 1533



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Summer Flowers

FOR YOUR SUMMER TABLE

The beauty of flowers by candlelight inspired this full-blown arrangement for a summertime dinner table. But don't overdo the candlelight theme by using it at luncheon: candlelight works its charm in the evening, after dark—it just can't compete with daylight. Now when gardens are rich and flower markets brim over, you can vary the flowers: we used scabiosa, phlox, and zinnias. Starting with white phlox placed in a pinholder to determine the height and line of the composition, we then added a base of bright red zinnias and a flourish of plantain-lily leaves. The scabiosa—lavender, white, and very dark red—were inserted last of all because of their delicate texture.



ARRANGEMENTS BY BETTY B. MERRIAM



An increasingly popular flower was the inspiration here—miniature gladiolus, easier to grow than the large ones for they require little staking, and gusty winds harm them less. Moreover, their size suits them to small-scale modern gardens and rooms. And note that we use the word "gladiolus" as the plural—it's the usage endorsed by the Gladiolus Society. We made this arrangement in a leaf holder anchored with modeling clay in an oval crystal bowl. Insert pale pink gladiolus just off center, and follow curves of first placements with tips of later ones. Keep the deeper colored gladiolus to the right and to the lower sections. Add a third dimension by filling in shorter stalks near the focal point, and follow the design through on all sides. To fill in the base, remove some blossoms from their stalks and place them in the bowl.

How to plan Ideal Summer Meals

around delicious bowls of Soup



by ANNE MARSHALL
Director Home Economics
Campbell Soup Company

THERE'S NO NEED to stifle in a hot kitchen this summer. With a well stocked Soup Shelf you can have tempting, easy, delicious meals—planned around soup.

For example, keep plenty of Chicken Noodle Soup on hand. It's generous with chicken and egg noodles, in golden chicken broth. Don't forget Vegetable Soup, that's almost a meal in itself, with 15 tender vegetables in hearty beef stock. And another very satisfying soup is Bean with Bacon, thick and savory.

With favorite sandwich fillings ready for use . . . the meal's practically on the table in no time. And what a good meal! Really ideal, for Summer. Made to order to give you more time for porch, lawn or park.

• **VEGETABLE SOUP**, with deviled ham spread, and a honeydew and raspberry salad.

• **CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP**, with sliced egg and bacon sandwich, tomato and watercress salad.

• **BEAN WITH BACON SOUP**, with brown bread and cream cheese sandwich and tossed green salad in a lettuce cup.

JULY SUGGESTIONS FOR USING

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NEPTUNE
SALAD

Take a Jar of MAYONNAISE



CATHERINE NISSLY



• seafood bake

*Preparation time: 20 min.
Baking time: 15 min.*

1 can (6½ oz.) crabmeat
1 can (4½ oz.) shrimp
1 cup mayonnaise
½ cup chopped green pepper
¼ cup minced onion

1½ cups finely cut celery
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 cups potato chips, crushed
Paprika

• Combine all ingredients except potato chips and paprika. Place in individual bake dishes or on ovenproof platter. Top with crushed potato chips. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake in hot oven, 400° F. for 15 minutes.

Serves 6

308 cal. per serving

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SEAFOOD BAKE

Take a Package of GELATIN



JELLIED CHICKEN



PIE IN THE PINK

• pie in the pink

1 pkg. flavored gelatin
1 pkg. vanilla pudding and pie filling
1 pkg. pie crust mix

Preparation time: 25 to 30 min.
Chilling time: 2 to 3 hrs.

1 can (1 lb. 13 oz.) fruits for
salad, drained

• Prepare gelatin and pudding, each according to package directions; cool. Prepare pie crust mix according to package directions. Line 10-inch pie plate. Bake in hot oven, 450° F. for 15 to 20 minutes; cool. Place cold pudding in cold pie shell, arrange drained fruit over pudding. Turn slightly thickened gelatin over top. Chill until gelatin is firm.

10 servings

289 cal. per serving

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CHOCOLATE
PEPPERMINT PIE



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Food for

Let's shine some summer sun on picnics and steal the limelight from backyard eating. For a good, down-to-earth meal, you can't beat a picnic repast of real honest, take-along food—not sandwiches!

JEANNIE WILLIS

The great fad for backyard living, these days, *might* make you think that picnics were a thing of the past. 'Taint so—our countryside abounds in marvelous picnic areas, and many states provide really swell facilities. You can load up your car with folks and food and pick your spot. There is something splendidly relaxing about eating, even over-eating, right down-to-earth. And somehow the mild exertions of a game of quoits, fishing, or a stroll through the woods really hit the spot. Then, of course, there is always the guy who takes a nap! For picnics, there are some mighty convenient new packing materials—new baskets, carriers, and hampers, and even new easy-to-carry dishes.

Our picnic begins with Fried Chicken, because for me a picnic without fried chicken is like a clambake without clams. However, there are lots of other wonderful foods for picnics, your old favorites or some of our good new recipes. We have a Molded Ham Loaf—a gelatinized mold made with cream cheese and tomato soup. Its different flavor won highest votes when we tested it, and it is of a firm consistency that travels without any difficulty. Ours, you'll see, is chilled right in a mixing bowl, then toted just as was. If you make the loaf for home use, the mixing bowl still provides a nice shape for unmolding. We have also found for you a marvelous cold Macaroni Cheese Loaf. Take it along in the pan it was baked in; slice and serve. Next we set about licking the problem of a salad. The answer to a soggy salad with limp greens is our Icebox Salad, one which can honestly be made hours ahead, and tastes even better for standing around. What's more, it is a salad men like, even unto second helpings. Too, you can make it up with dozens of different selections of greens and salad makings, so do be sure to try it. Desserts next. . . . We've a recipe for an excellent Devil's Food Cake; here too, we've taken it on our picnic right in the pan. It can be frosted, or sprinkled with powdered sugar. But whatever you select for food—pick yourself a lovely summer day—and have a picnic.

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a Family Picnic



—There's One in Every Crowd!



If anything looks cooler than a white dress on a hot summer's day, it's smart black with crisp touches of white—the kind suggested herewith for a table set up on a black linen cloth. The snowy-white china, accented by gunmetal sides and by precise golden stars, is "Nocturne" by Syracuse, as formal in character as fine china can be, yet designed with modern improvements which make it easier to handle, and face up to the fact that it is bound to appear at many a well-dressed buffet party. The coupe shape makes the plates capacious, and their retaining rims lessen the chances of spills if service is "stand-up"; the saucers hold the cups firmly; the curved rims of the soup-dessert and sugar bowl form natural handles. The price, \$15.75 for five-piece place setting.

Its perfect companion, the stemware, Tiffin's hand-blown "Jupiter" which performs an interesting trick: the glass is tinted the palest of golds, so pale you notice its color only where the cut stars seem to gather it up and twinkle it back. (Goblet or wine, \$3 each.) Hand-crafted clear crystal candleholders, also Tiffin, \$10.50 a pair.

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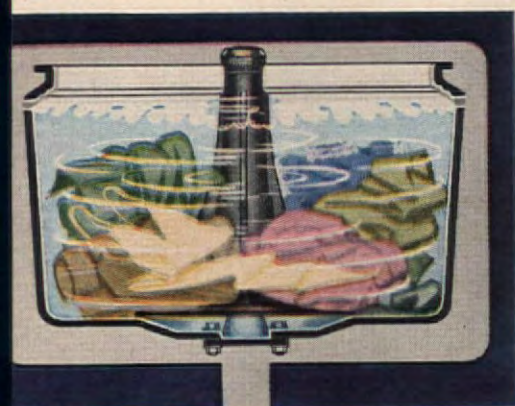
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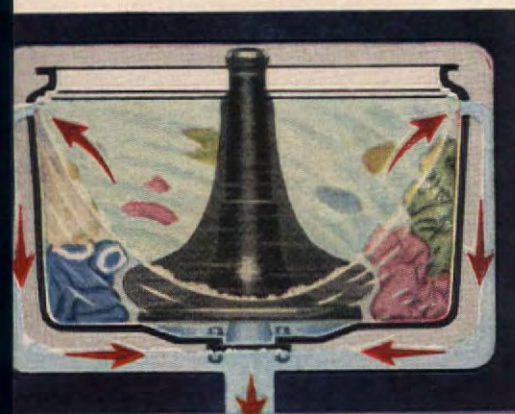
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adds to the flavor (about 1 tsp. finely cut onion per layer). Repeat for several layers. Add milk (whole, non-fat, or evaporated) until it reaches top layer of potatoes. Bake in moderate oven, 375° F., for about an hour and a quarter, or until the potatoes are tender. *Variations:* Add ½ to 1 cup cut Bologna, cheese, or green pepper between the potato layers. Or did you ever try cooked or canned salmon, tuna, or shrimp layered with potatoes and baked as above? A topping of grated Parmesan cheese contributes a subtle flavor, too. *Good "Plan-overs":* Leftover snippets of dried beef, frankfurter, or sausage add an interesting flavor to scalloped potatoes—just cut them fine and add them. You can use leftover cooked, sliced potatoes in this recipe too: prepare as you would the raw potatoes, but reduce the baking time to 45 minutes.

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¼ teaspoon pepper

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well. Melt shortening in a shallow baking dish (9x13x2") in a hot oven (425° F.). Remove baking dish from oven and place chicken skin side down in a single layer. Bake in a hot oven (425° F.) for 45 minutes. Turn chicken. And now . . .

Make Rolled Biscuit dough (directions on Bisquick package). Roll dough ½" thick; cut biscuits. Place on bottom of pan, being sure both biscuits and chicken remain in a single layer. Bake another 15 minutes or until biscuits are lightly browned and chicken is tender. Serves 4.



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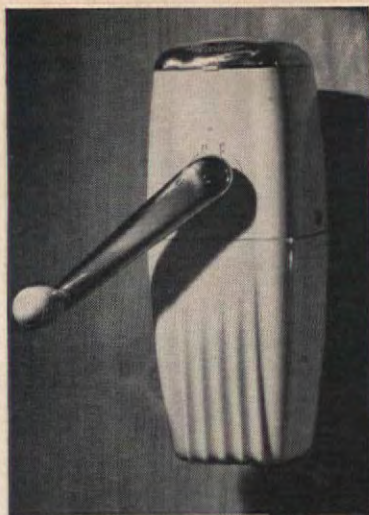
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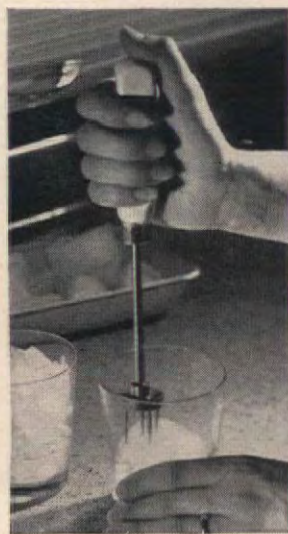


Don't waste time, temper, and ice trying to chip cubes with an old-fashioned ice pick. Instead, use a mechanical ice crusher—one that hangs on the wall or one that sits on a table. Both come in various colors, have adjustments for making fine to coarse chips of ice

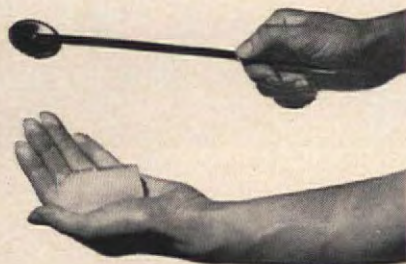
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BREAK THE ICE

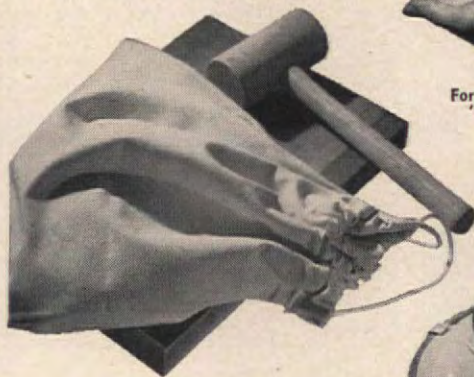
Talented assistants to help you turn out all those long, cool summer drinks



These gimmicks have know-how. The prongs of the chip-chopper that you see on the left spear into the cubes—then you push up and down on the handle. Spring action of handle chips the ice—but never the glass! The ice tapper shown below cracks and breaks the ice into pieces, and can also double as a muddler or a drink mixer



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Do a lot of entertaining during the summer? Then you certainly will need ice in quantities! A thrifty way is to use an ice-cracking set that consists of a wooden board, a mallet, and a canvas bag. For more swank, try a giant crusher that comes with a wooden bucket to catch the ice



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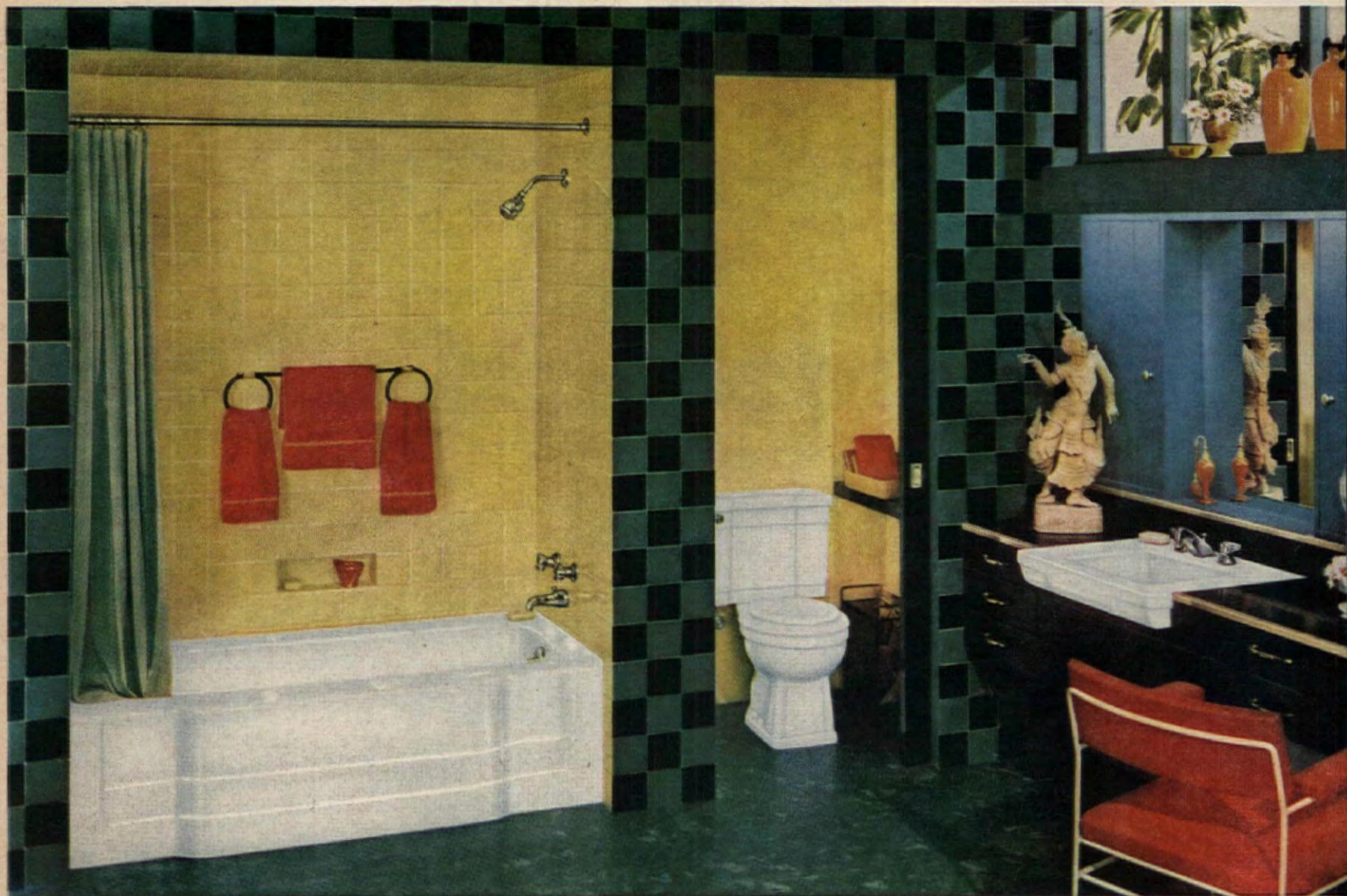
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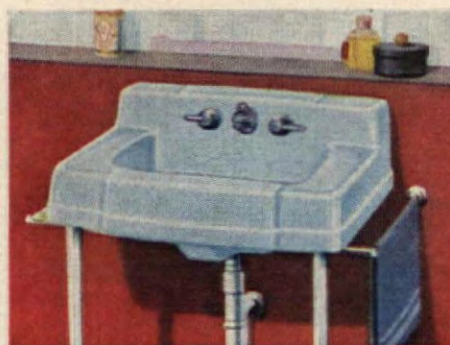
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Anne's Notebook

ANNE BARNARD

AMERICANA IT IS FOR JULY, to celebrate with heartfelt thanks for all things American. A hobby of mine is collecting cooking ideas and recipes from different parts of this fair country of ours—modern ones, like the good chef's salad we picture, and others as traditional as Thousand Island Dressing. Here are some of them for good summer eating.

VERMONTERS RIGHTFULLY CLAIM MAPLE

MOUSSE . . . a dessert appealing in appearance and flavor. It's quick and easy and gives a lift to any meal. You'll need 1 cup maple syrup, 4 egg yolks (well beaten), 4 egg whites (beaten stiff), 2 cups whipped cream. Mix egg yolks with syrup and cook over boiling water until thickened. Combine with egg whites and whipped cream. Freeze. If you freeze in a melon mold, it's prettier to serve.

THIS RECIPE FOR TONGUE FROM COLORADO

is one to cherish. Boil tongue until tender, having tucked a few bay leaves into water. Cool, and remove skin. Add 1 crushed garlic clove to 1/3 cup olive oil, and brown. Stir in 3/4 cup seedless raisins, 1 cup chopped onion, 1 can tomatoes, 1/2 cup sliced, stuffed olives, 1 tsp. salt; bring to boiling point and cook for 5 minutes. Pour over

tongue in roasting pan, and cover. Cook about an hour in moderate oven (350°F.).

FOR THE GARLIC-CHEESE BISCUIT RING—melt butter or margarine, sauté 2 finely chopped or crushed garlic cloves. Separate 2 pkgs. refrigerated ready-to-bake biscuits. Overlap biscuits on cookie sheet to form a ring. Brush with garlic butter and sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese. Bake in hot oven (400°F.) for about 25 minutes. Or, try sprinkling 1/4 tsp. mixed herbs over biscuits. A good flavor, and different.

HERE'S A SUMMER ONE-CRUST APPLE PIE

FROM MICHIGAN. It's simple to do, and will win the approval of apple-pie lovers. You bake a pie shell in the cool of a morning when you're serene, and keep until the

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American Home Recipes

(Take a Package of Gelatin, pictured in color on page 57)

• jellied chicken

Preparation time: 25 min.
Chilling time: 2 or 3 hrs.

1 pkg. lemon-flavored gelatin
1½ cups hot water
½ tsp. salt
2 tbs. vinegar or lemon juice
½ cup mayonnaise
2 oranges diced (about ¾ to 1 cup)
2 tbs. finely cut green pepper
1 cup chopped celery
1 can (12 oz.) chicken
Lettuce

• Dissolve gelatin in hot water; stir until dissolved. Add salt, vinegar or lemon juice. Pour ½ cup gelatin mixture into mold or oblong pan. When slightly thickened, arrange a few orange wedges and green pepper strips in gelatin for design. Chill until firm. Add mayonnaise, orange, green pepper, and celery to remaining gelatin. Break up chicken and add. Turn onto firm gelatin in mold. Chill until firm. Unmold on shredded lettuce or other salad greens.

Serves 6 to 8 **395—296 cal. per serving** **Source of vitamins A, B**
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• ringside aspic

Preparation time: 20 min.
Chilling time: 2½ to 3 hrs.

1 envelope unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water
1 can (12 oz.) vegetable tomato juice
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water
1 cup canned peas
1 cup canned corn
½ cup grated carrots
1 cup diced celery
2 tbs. chopped onion
½ tsp. salt
¾ cup mayonnaise

• Soften gelatin in cold water. Heat vegetable juice, pour on softened gelatin, stir until dissolved. Turn into individual molds or 9½" x 5½" x 3" pan. Chill until set. Soften second envelope of gelatin in cold water. Drain peas and corn. Add water to liquid to make 1½ cups. Heat, then pour onto softened gelatin, stir until dissolved. Cool. Stir in vegetables, salt, and mayonnaise. Turn onto firm tomato layer. Chill until firm. Unmold on salad greens, and garnish with vegetables and mayonnaise.

Serves 8 to 10 **306—245 cal. per serving** **Source of vitamins A, B, C, D**
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• chocolate peppermint pie

Preparation time: 25 min.
Chilling time: 2 hrs.

2 cups crushed chocolate cookies
½ cup melted butter or margarine
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water
3 egg whites
½ cup sugar
1 cup heavy cream, whipped
½ cup plus 2 tbs. crushed peppermint stick candy

• Blend 2 cups crushed chocolate cookies (about 25 to 30 cookies) with ½ cup melted butter or margarine. Press on bottom and side of 9-inch pie plate.* Chill. Soften gelatin in cold water. Place over boiling water; stir until dissolved. Cool. Beat egg whites until stiff, but not dry; gradually beat in sugar. Fold in cooled dissolved gelatin. Stir in whipped cream and ½ cup of the crushed peppermint candy. Turn into chocolate crumb crust. Chill until firm. Before serving, sprinkle top with remaining 2 tbs. peppermint candy.

*Crumb crusts shape easily and evenly when an 8-inch plate is used to press crumb mixture into shell in 9-inch plate.

Serves 6 to 8 **400—300 cal. per serving** **Source of vitamins A, B**
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American Home Recipes

(Take a Jar of Mayonnaise, pictured in color on page 56)

• patio ham loaf

Preparation time: 40 min.
Chilling time: 4 hrs.

½ lb. cooked ham (1¼ cups ground ham)
2 tbs. chopped sweet pickle
1 hard-cooked egg, chopped
¼ cup chopped celery
¼ tsp. prepared mustard
¼ cup chopped parsley
1 lb. cottage cheese
1 tbs. pickle juice
2½ cups hot rice
¼ cup chopped olives

• Grind ham; blend with pickle, egg, celery, mustard, ¼ cup mayonnaise, and pickle juice. Store in refrigerator until loaf is ready to be assembled. While rice is still hot, add olives and mayonnaise. Firmly pack into well-greased 8" x 4" loaf pan. Add ham salad layer next, pressing gently. Unmold, then place parsley over rice layer; cover with cottage cheese which has been blended with chopped onion, salt, and a small amount of mayonnaise. Chill for about 4 hours.

Serves 15 **185 cal. per serving** **Source of vitamins A, B**
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• macaroni-mayo

Preparation time: 15 min.
Chilling time: 2 or 3 hrs.

8-oz. pkg. elbow macaroni
1 cup diced Cheddar cheese
1 tbs. prepared mustard
1 cup mayonnaise
1 can (1 lb.) peas, drained
4 tbs. pickle relish
3 tbs. pimiento, cut in strips
Salad greens

• Cook macaroni according to package directions; drain. While macaroni is hot, add cheese, mustard, and ½ cup mayonnaise. Cool. Add remaining ingredients and other ½ cup mayonnaise. Serve cold on salad greens.

Serves 8 **376 cal. per serving** **Source of vitamins A, B**
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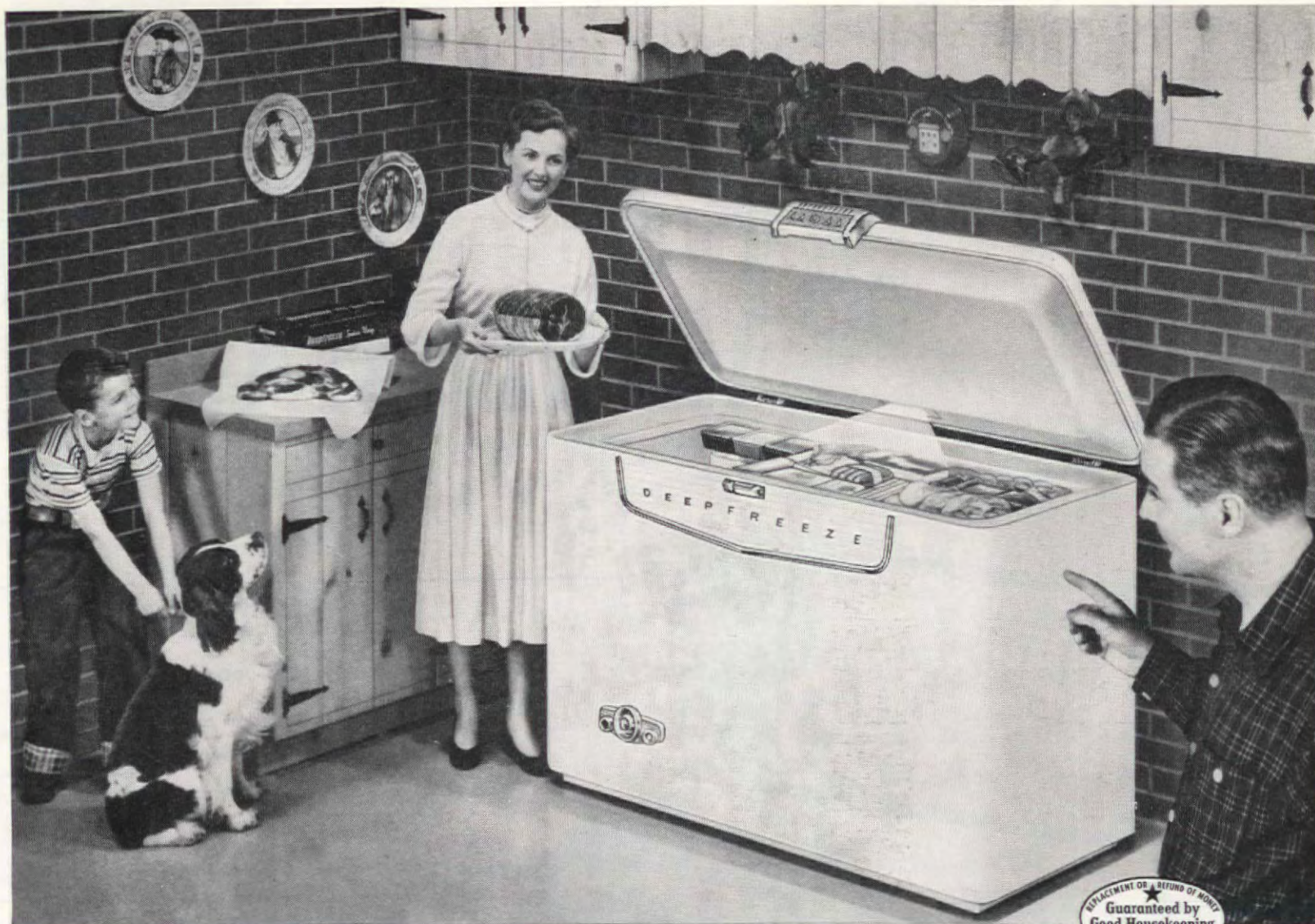
• Neptune salad

Preparation time: 20 min.
Chilling time: 2½ to 3 hrs.

1 pkg. lime-flavored gelatin
1½ cups hot water
5 tbs. vinegar
½ tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 tbs. chopped onion
2 tbs. chopped pimiento
½ cup mayonnaise
Lettuce
7-oz. can solid-pack or chunk tuna

• Add hot water to gelatin; stir until dissolved. Add vinegar, Worcestershire sauce, and salt. When cool, turn ½ cup mixture into quart mold. When nearly set, arrange a few cucumber and pimiento slices on gelatin. Chill. To remaining gelatin, add tuna, cucumber, onion, pimiento, and mayonnaise. Cool. When slightly thickened, turn onto firm gelatin in mold. Chill until firm. Unmold on lettuce leaves.

Serves 8 **170 cal. per serving** **Source of vitamins A, B, D**
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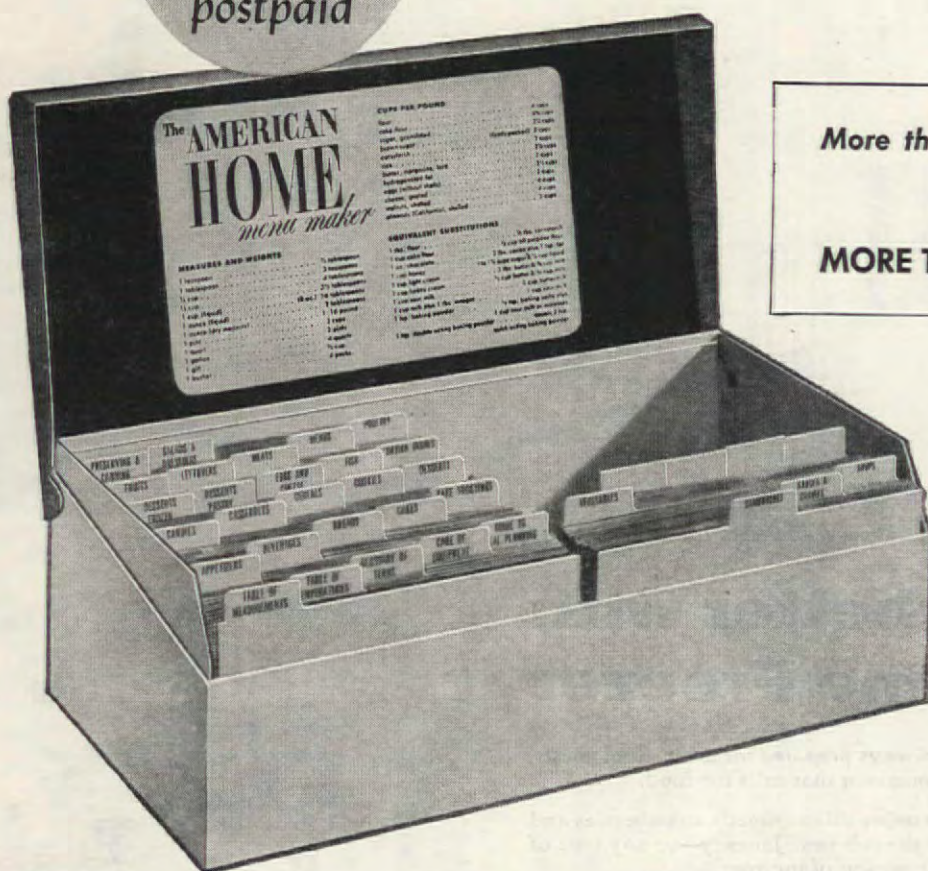
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American Home Recipes

(Food for a Family Picnic, pictured in color on page 58)

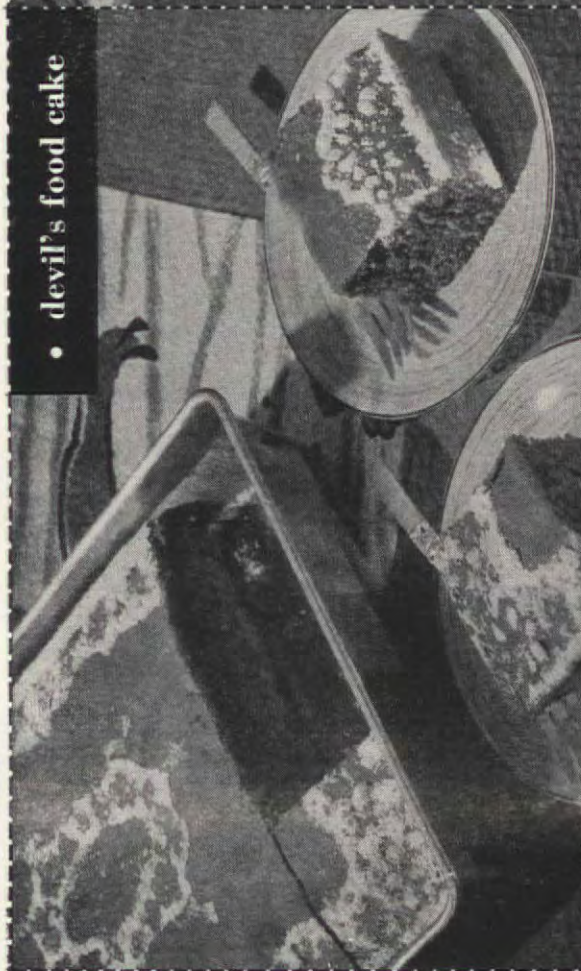
• macaroni cheese loaf



• molded ham loaf



• devil's food cake



• icebox salad



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American Home Recipes

(Food for a Family Picnic, pictured in color on page 58)

• molded ham loaf

Preparation time: 15 min.
Chilling time: 2-3 hours

- 1 10½-oz. can condensed tomato soup
- 1¼ cups water
- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
- 1 3-oz. package cream cheese
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- 1 tbs. vinegar
- 2 tsp. prepared mustard
- 1 can chopped ham, ground fine

• Combine and heat soup and 1 cup water. Soften gelatin in ¼ cup water, then add to soup. Remove from heat. Blend in cream cheese. Let mixture set in refrigerator until thickened. Next, add mayonnaise, vinegar, mustard, and ham. Return to refrigerator until mixture is firm. This may be molded into custard cups for individual servings or into a loaf pan.

Serves 8

328 cal. per serving

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Submitted by Mrs. Robert Bruce

Tested in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS

• macaroni cheese loaf

Preparation time: 20 min.
Baking time: 50 min.

- 1 cup macaroni
- ½ lb. American cheese, diced
- 1½ cups milk, scalded
- 1 cup soft bread crumbs
- ¼ cup melted butter
- 1 canned pimiento, chopped
- 1 tbs. chopped parsley
- 1 tbs. chopped onion
- Salt
- Pepper
- Paprika
- 3 eggs, beaten

• Cook macaroni according to package directions; drain. Melt cheese in top of double boiler, gradually add milk. Stir constantly, and add remaining ingredients. Fold in macaroni and pour into greased 9"x5" loaf pan. Bake at 325° F. for about 50 min. or until firm. Serve hot or cold.

Serves 6

424 cal. per serving

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Submitted by Mrs. M. S. Burdine

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• icebox salad

Preparation time: 15 min.
Standing time: 3-4 hrs.

- Lettuce, finely shredded
- Carrots, thinly sliced
- Celery
- Tomatoes
- Cabbage
- Cucumbers
- Onions
- 1 tbs. mayonnaise
- 1 tbs. sugar
- Bacon

• Place in bowl layers of finely shredded lettuce, thinly sliced carrots, celery, tomatoes, cabbage, cucumbers, onions, and/or whatever salad ingredients your family likes. (A deep bowl, instead of a flat one, gives more layers, and for some mysterious reason that tastes better!) On top, put 1 tbs. of mayonnaise. Sprinkle with sugar and crisp, crumbled bacon. Cover and let stand ¾ hour. Do not toss.

165 cal. per average serving

Source of vitamins B, C

Tested in THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS

• devil's food cake

Preparation time: 15 min.
Baking time: 25 to 35 min.

- ½ cup cocoa
- ½ cup boiling water
- 2½ cups cake flour, sifted
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ cup vegetable shortening
- 1½ cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 tsp. soda
- 1 tsp. vanilla

• Mix cocoa with boiling water and cool. Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together. Cream shortening, sugar, and eggs until light and fluffy. Add cocoa mixture. Mix buttermilk with soda and add alternately with flour mixture. Let stand for 10 min. Pour into 13" x 9" x 2" pan (or layer pans) and bake in 350° F. oven for 25-35 min. When cool, sprinkle powdered sugar through lace paper doily to decorate top, or use your favorite icing.

Serves 12

269 cal. per serving

Source of vitamins A, B

Submitted by Mrs. Martin Anderson

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Our Own Kitchen

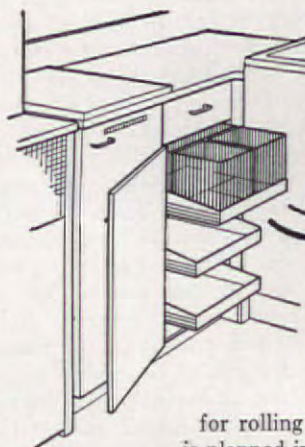
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and just plain joy in your work—and in living. In this kitchen, the restful colors (even the enameled steel cabinets are pale green), the gay flooring (which looks as well after a day's work-out as before), the wallpaper worthy of a living room, would all be ideal in a home kitchen. But most important is the business-like planning which saves wear and tear on those working here.

Ask Anne Barnard what she likes best about it, and she'll stand in the aisle between the two rows of cabinets and show how even a 5' 2" gal can reach everything she needs for each cooking job. "At home," she'll tell you, "the reaching kills me. When I'm not digging into dark recesses, I'm trying to get something from a shelf I can't see. But not here, where so many things—including pots, pans, and lids—are kept in drawers or sliding shelves."

Ask Food Editor Cay Nissly why she refers to this as her Dream Kitchen, and she'll say, "Because it's so pretty. And so easy on me. Back home, our big country kitchen has seven doors—and no planning. The flour bin is at one end, the mixer at another. You walk your legs off trying to get a meal together. Here, everything has its own area, and you finish one job and march on to the next. Take the mixing center, for instance. You just open a door, and there is your mixer, all set up in a base cabinet, and ready to swing out and up like a typewriter. Next to it, there's a metal-lined drawer with bins for sugar and two types of flour, and plenty of drawers for bowls, and pie and cake pans, and other utensils. The cabinets above the mixer hold all the ingredients we use in baking. Think that's all? Oh no! One step from the mixer station there's this big maple counter top

Smart clean-up area: Cabinets above sink and dishwasher hold china, of course. But see the vented cabinets at sink's left. One has sliding shelves and wire baskets for vegetables you scrub at the sink. The other has pull-out towel rods and a small heater and blower to dry the towels pronto



for rolling out my dough! And the whole kitchen is planned in the same systematic way."

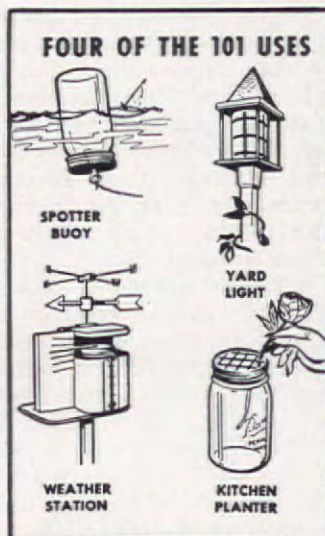
Other features both Cay and Anne bless include the air conditioning; the high-powered, easy-to-clean exhaust fans in cabinets over the ranges; the plentiful drawers in the base cabinets; the pull-out cutting boards wherever they are needed; the ventilated vegetable cabinet; the heated towel dryer near the sink; and the generous planning desk that doubles as a good eating counter.

Because this is an editorial kitchen, it has some exceptional features—two ranges, for example, one gas and one electric, so that every recipe is tested on both. The latest in ranges, and freezers, and refrigerators appear every few months for the purpose. Because we want to be sure that all of our methods can be followed in every kitchen in the country, there are a variety of appliances—big electric mixers, hand mixers, and woman-powered rotary beaters all do service here.

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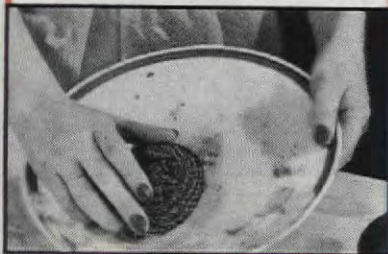
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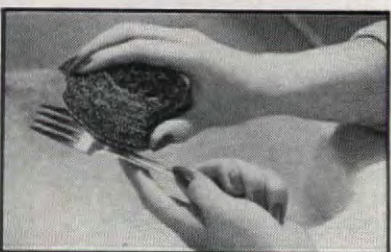
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Ways to Finance

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known as a Package Mortgage. Like all good modern mortgages, they usually provide for from 10 to 20 years for amortization at low interest rates.

How it works: Let's assume that you had intended to take out a 10-year, \$10,000 mortgage, and that you add an extra \$1,000 for kitchen equipment, making it an \$11,000 mortgage. At 5 per cent, that extra \$1,000 can be paid off at the rate of \$10.61 a month, the sum including both repayment of principal plus interest. Over a period of ten years, you will have paid a total of \$273.20 in interest on that additional \$1,000.

3. REFINANCING ORIGINAL MORTGAGE: If you have paid off the bulk of your mortgage, the holder may be able to extend it in time or amount to finance your new kitchen (see Open-End Mortgages, below). Terms of your existing mortgage may prohibit this, however, in which case you can probably find a new lender to take over your mortgage, and add to it the additional money you need for kitchen improvement. Premium may be a charge for prepayment of your old mortgage plus the costs of a new title search, state taxes, and perhaps attorney fees. Payment terms and interest charges are comparable to those of the packaged mortgage discussed above.

4. OPEN-END MORTGAGE, TYPE A: During the past five years or so, banks have been issuing "open-end" mortgages which, after a certain number of payments have been made, can be extended either in amount, or in time, to finance home improvements. This choice is made at the time of the new advance. With what we are calling, for the purposes of this article, a "Type A" contract, you can borrow an additional sum by increasing the amount of each monthly payment rather than the total payments to be made.

How it works: Let's say you have been paying regularly for five years on a 15-year mortgage, subject to open-end operation. At this point you want to re-do your kitchen and borrow \$1000. The banker who holds your mortgage will lend you the \$1000, adding it to your mortgage. You will pay it off, along with the rest of the mortgage repayment, during the remaining ten years the mortgage has to run. So it is possible to pay for the kitchen by increasing the original mortgage payments \$10.61 a month—a total cost of \$273.20 in interest for the additional money, no matter what the size of your original mortgage.

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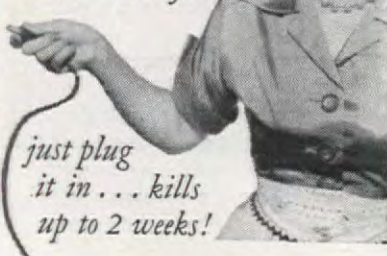
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7. TIME-PAYMENT FINANCING: If your credit rating is good, you can use this popular method of buying to pay for equipment, or for a whole kitchen. It can be arranged through your equipment dealer or utility company, or through your bank or finance company. A down payment of at least 10 per cent is generally required, and the balance paid off in 12, 24, or 36 monthly payments.

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8. UNIT-BY-UNIT MODERNIZATION: Kitchens may also be planned with separate matching units that can be bought piece by piece and paid for in cash. Additional units can be added later, on the "pay as you install" plan.

Because you've paid cash, there are no interest costs, of course. You become your own banker in this case, paying out what you can afford at the time of each purchase—say \$45 for a new cabinet, or as much as \$500 for an 11 cu. ft. refrigerator.

See "Where Credit Is Due" on page 88

The dining end of the cooking peninsula: On the top, a serving counter. Below, since this is a den, there's storage for Dad's hobby gear—unless Mom gets there first with good china, since this is a dining room too



Combination Kitchen

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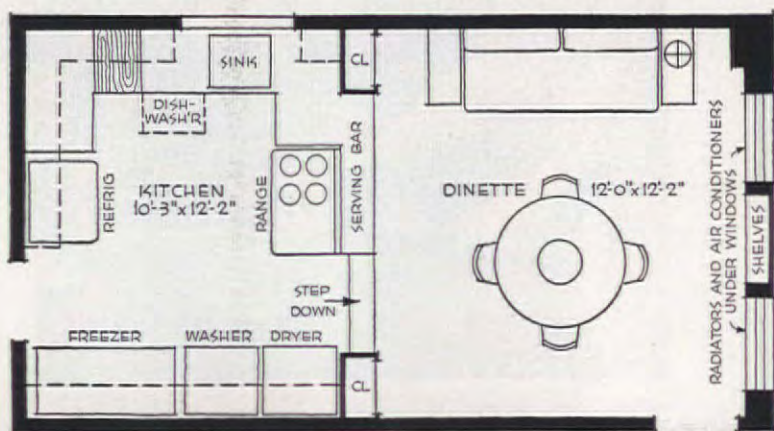
3. As a dining room, it is so spacious and attractive, and so well separated from the business part that the family dines without makeshift at its welcoming table—a space-making round one that can extend when there are guests. The serving counter behind the range was designed so that hot platters can be passed directly from range to dining room.

4. As a den, both the planning and the decoration invite the family in. The table is excellent for study or sewing, the day bed does the work of a sofa and an easy chair—and there is no law that says that an overnight guest can't sleep here.

Of course, this model modern kitchen is air-conditioned, and the "works" are cleverly concealed, as you can see in the close-up on page 76. And like all good kitchens, air-conditioned or not, it has a powerful exhaust fan (this one installed in the ceiling) to pull out all cooking odors pronto.

The lighting is as excellent as you'd expect it to be in a kitchen. General Electric had a hand in. There are lights in the ceiling for general, over-all illumination; there is indirect cove lighting over the sink; local spot lighting for all the work areas; and there is strip fixture lighting under the wall cabinets—in this kitchen you'd never have to work in your own shadow. Outlets? Loads of them!

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It's a good four-way room because the work area is at one end, away from the dining and lounging space. Yet, because there is no wall between them, each area seems more spacious than it really is

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If old Grams could see that two-oven electric range with timers and controls to make the actual cooking part of food preparation almost foolproof, she'd wonder why Mrs. 1954 spends any time at all in the kitchen. The answer is that the Modern Ma'am makes a real art of the part that goes *before* the range takes over—and she loves to do so in a kitchen such as this one which enables her to be with the family while she is working

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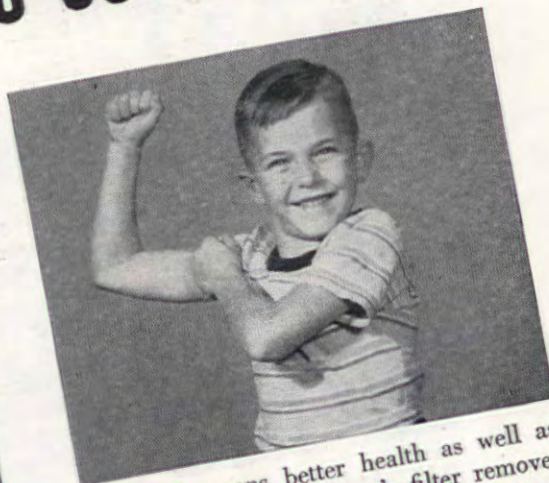
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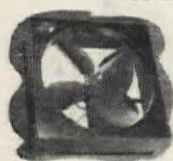
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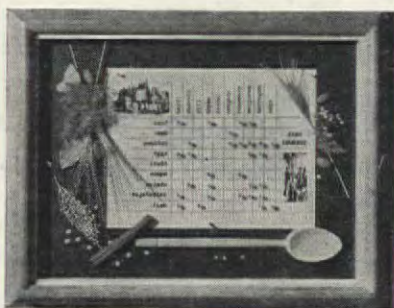
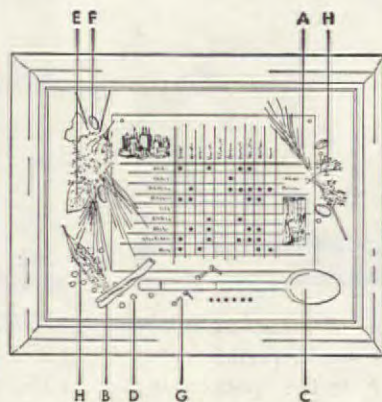
To add spice to a kitchen or dining room wall, make and hang a chart such as this one—it will remind you just when and with what to season your favorite dishes.

The choice and category of herbs and spices are up to you. Type across the top of a piece of paper your own list of spices, and type their uses (in vegetables, meats, etc.) down the left side. Use map pins to indicate which spices you like most with which dishes. If you want to add some visual spice, draw lines with a colored pencil, and use colored pins.

Cut out the chart and glue it on a stiff cardboard; then mount on poster board of a color that fits in with the scheme of your room.



For framing, use a deep shadow box frame and put glass flush against frame, inserting a plain wood strip



ping of 1/4 in. by 1/2 in. stock all around to allow space for the things you are framing.

The decorative items bordering the chart can be of your own choosing—we suggest that you select dried herbs or other edibles. Shown here are wheat (A), cinnamon stick (B), wooden spoon (C), split peas (D), basil leaf (E), pistachio nuts (F), cloves (G), dried flower material (H). Each should be mounted with transparent glue.



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Anne's Notebook

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day when you wish to serve apple pie in a hurry. Caramelize the sugar, adding sufficient water to stew enough apples (fresh or canned) for your pie shell. Cook until tender, adding the usual butter and spices to your taste. Thicken to right consistency, and pop into the pie shell hot or cold. Serve with ice cream or whipped cream. It's an American triumph.

THOUSAND ISLAND DRESSING is a northern New York State contribution and should not be confused with the Russian type. This is our family recipe. Combine 1 cup mayonnaise, 1/2 cup chili sauce, 6 coarsely chopped large stuffed olives, 1/4 cup chopped green pepper, 2 sliced green onions, 1 tsp. minced parsley, 1 tsp. tarragon vinegar, salt, pepper, and a heavy dash of paprika.

LET'S NOT FORGET BOILED DRESSING for summer salads. There is no dressing I like better with potato, chicken, turkey, and Waldorf salad. I make enough to fill a quart jar and keep in refrigerator for future use.

SO REFRESHING IN THE SUMMER ARE MINTED PEAS. A Utah friend gave me her recipe. For 2 cups of fresh peas, or 1 pkg. of frozen peas, fry 4 slices of diced bacon. Mix 1 tsp. flour with 4 tbs. cream. When peas are briskly boiling in salted water, add bacon and 6 sprigs of fresh mint. Stir in flour mixture to thicken. Cook approximately 8 minutes. Remove mint and serve in patty shells. For extra glamor, sprinkle chopped mint and crumbled bacon on top. Very special with lamb.

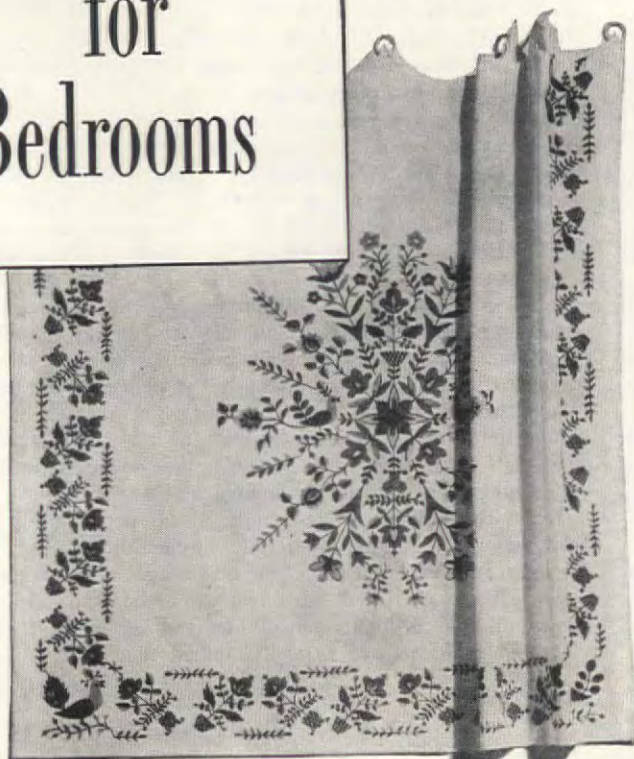
WITH TENDER YOUNG TURKEYS ON THE MARKET all year round, why not have fried or broiled turkey on the Fourth? The two to four pounders are a good bet, we've found. If it's fried turkey, try this: For each pound of turkey, mix 1/4 cup flour, 3/4 tsp. salt, 1/8 tsp. poultry seasoning, a pinch of rosemary (be light handed) in a paper bag. Shake a few pieces at a time for even coating. (We like it crisp.) Save leftover flour mixture for gravy.

COCONUT JUMBLES CAME MY WAY through a friend from Mississippi, and delectable they are with pudding and fruit desserts. Cream 3/4 cup butter or margarine, add 3/4 cup sugar, 1 beaten egg, 1 rounded cup flour. Mix thoroughly and add enough grated fresh coconut... not too much at a time... until mixture is stiff. Drop from spoon on cookie sheet and bake in quick oven until golden brown. Shredded coconut can be substituted.

SPICES WITH FRUITS offer a pleasant flavor change. Mix sugar with cinnamon to serve with blueberries. Add a dash of mace to rhubarb before cooking. Good in a pie, too. Dust honeydew melon balls lightly with ginger... that is, if you like ginger!

Quick Change for Bedrooms

MARY E. MONZE



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In the room above, walls were painted dark green, and the furniture is Colonial in design—but the pattern on the curtains and spreads is so sound, and so adaptable, that they would look well in a variety of settings. Good grace notes are provided by the clock and sconces made of molded wood finished in dull black—a “contemporary” idea, perfectly happy in a traditional room.

For details about merchandise, see “Where Credit Is Due,” page 88

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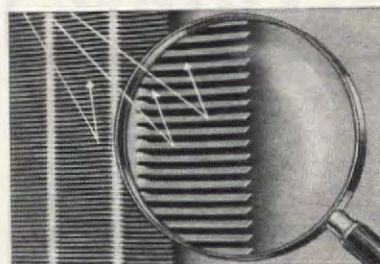


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Vacation House

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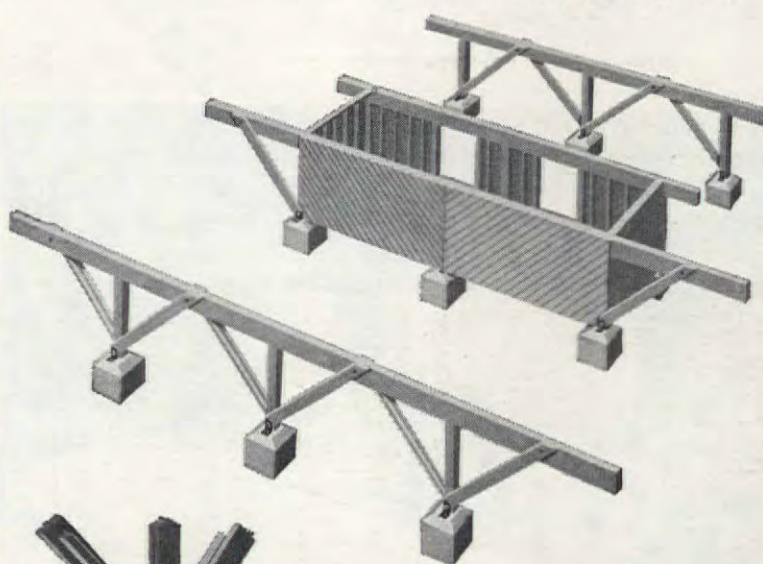
When the Lewises, their young son, and two young daughters first discussed building a vacation retreat, father and son, both saltwater fishing enthusiasts, proclaimed loudly for the seashore. Mother and daughters had other ideas, but the masculine minority won in this case—and the distaff side has never regretted it. So they bought land on a sand spit facing an ocean bay and built where the tides wash right up under the house.

In addition to making the structure "seaworthy" by the clever engineering illustrated in the diagram below, Architect Rosenberg was faced with the problem of making it both compact and hospitable, so that parents and youngsters could have plenty of guests while housekeeping chores were kept to a minimum. The bunkhouse offered the tidy solution, for each of its four small rooms is equipped with two surplus Navy bunks, storage facilities—and no nonsense. For the senior Lewises, there's a bedroom off the living room, and two people can sleep, when necessary, on the sofa beds in the living room. Study the plan and you'll see that two bathrooms do the work of four: The master bath has a second door to the bunkhouse area which is also served by the small half-bath. A separate shower is located in the utility room which houses the laundry equipment and water heater.

When the house was first built, a full partition divided the front room into a living room and a kitchen-dining room. But not for long. In a vacation place, the advantages of having a big all-purpose room prevailed—so down came the wall, and up went the small, counter-high room divider you see on page 50.

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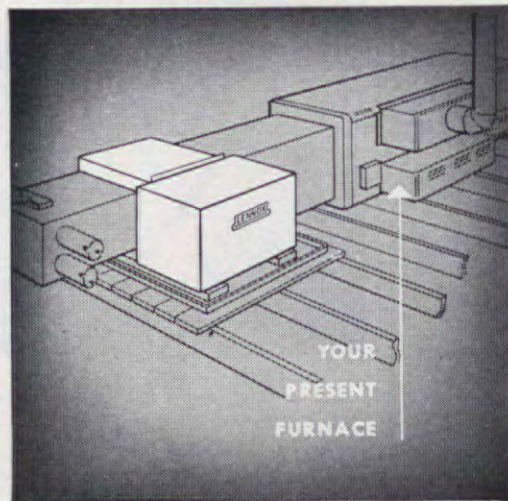
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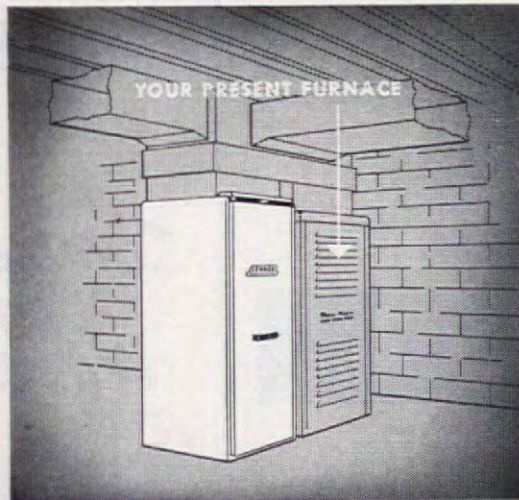
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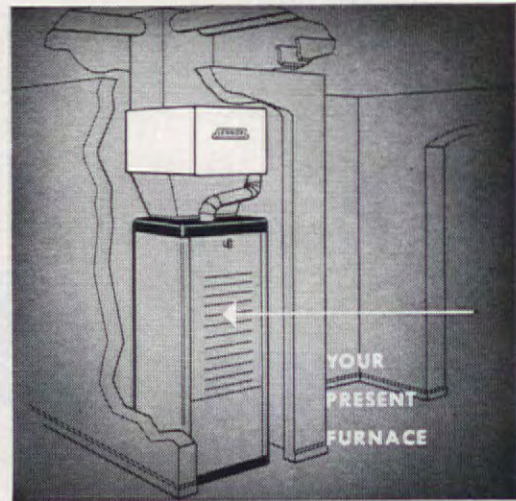
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To make light housekeeping lighter still, there's a garbage chute near the oven, and a dust chute in the master bedroom, both leading to bins in the storage room under the house.

Shortly after the house was completed, a whopping storm flooded many homes in the vicinity. Architect Rosenberg drove out to see how his brain child fared—and there it was, apparently afloat, with water high up under it. But when the tides receded, the house was found to have weathered them perfectly. It had been built to do just that.



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From Williamsburg

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white batiste with ball fringe, while the draperies, varied from room to room, favor the high cornices of the early 19th century.

They were captured by Williamsburg, it's true, but these Yankees succeeded in carrying it back with them—in a very streamlined package. Decorators Milholland and Olson, authorities on period rooms and fabrics, were called in to "pull everything together." However, since the Sorgs wanted to temper their reverence for the past with a practical appreciation of the present, no attempt was made at "authenticity."

For one thing, Mr. Sorg likes to stretch out on the living room sofa or in a man-sized chair. Since the Lawson sofa and easy chairs they already owned filled the bill and were perfectly compatible with antiques, they were recovered, and used.

When it came to giving the interiors an 18th-century air, the biggest poser was the wall-to-wall broadloom Mrs. Sorg wanted. An anachronism, she knew very well—but she saw no



Coke-Garret house in Williamsburg, and "Bohemia" in Cecil County, Maryland, inspired Chinese Chippendale motifs on stairway. Fret on riser is achieved with stock moldings. Paper is only authentic Williamsburg wallpaper used in the Sorg house

reason for being snared by Tradition.

Carpeting in Williamsburg green captured the ground floor, and its color became the dominant one downstairs. Atop that wall-to-wall covering, antique Oriental scatter rugs mark focal points, and the handsome one by the hearth furnished the living room's accent color—tomato. It's a wonder of a rug, prized by Mr. Sorg. "Antiquarians head for that hearth rug just like homing pigeons," he tells you.

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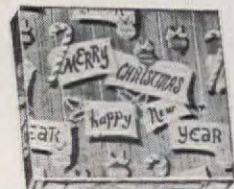
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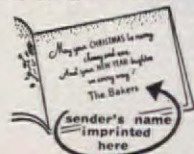
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1. Gable installation necessitated increasing size of attic trap to area specified in data sheets which came with fan. Remove trim, cut plaster with chisel, and chip it off. Cut lath from opening



2. Cut away attic floor boards, joists, and headers. Install new headers around opening, box in trap, and install trim



3. Remove existing attic window and frame. Measure for louver so that it will be located in exact center of fan enclosure. Lay out cutting lines accurately with a level



4. If wall studs must be removed, run headers across to nearest uncut studs. Then cut through sheathing and siding. Siding should be cut back far enough from louver opening to accommodate outside trim

See "Where Credit Is Due" on page 88



5. Install rough sill at bottom of opening and make it watertight. Put flashing full width of sill, bent down at bottom to overlap siding. At top, flashing starts under siding and comes out to overhang top of trim

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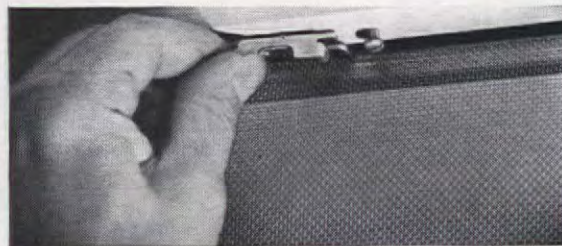
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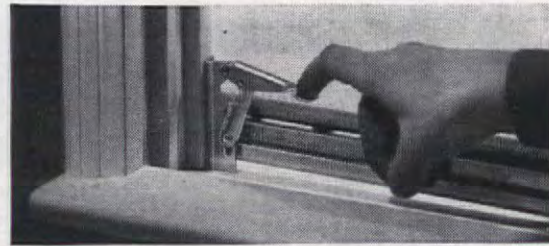
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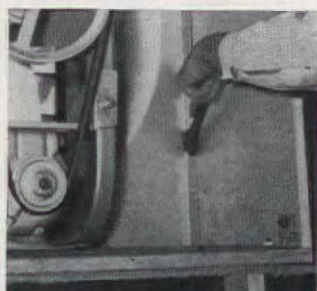
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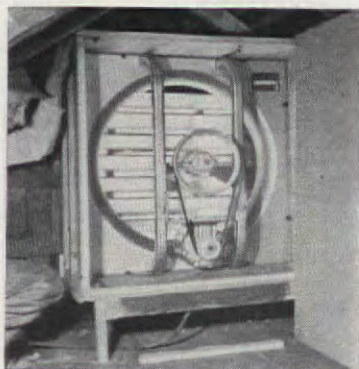
6. Screw louver in place and seal all joints with caulking compound. Cut and fit new trim to match trim of house windows



7. In this case, fan crate was used as suction box. Build a sturdy platform for box to sit on, so that it will be centered over louver. A sheet of 3/4-inch insulating board goes under box to reduce sound transmission



8. Seal space between box and wall with insulating board or canvas and bolt fan in place



9. Downstairs, have electrician install switch for fan. Test for vibration and air leaks. Make back cover to seal box in winter

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House #10

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in California was in an old issue of THE AMERICAN HOME! So up went #10 on their land, in New York State. Since Mr. Parker is in the electrical appliance business, the house is "light conditioned" as well as completely air conditioned, and some 7,000 people saw it when it was open as a demonstration house. The basement was fully excavated to provide a workshop for Mrs. Parker whose hobby is refinishing antiques.

5. THE C. S. JORDANS of Virginia Beach, Virginia, turned our plan into a custom design. They built of brick, put three bedrooms in the wing where we had two, used the "office" as a master suite, and tucked an 8' x 12' TV-music room into the space we planned as a laundry—"You'd be surprised how many people can get around that piano at one time to sing!" states Mrs. J. "We are really crazy about our home, it's so very liveable and so suitable to our needs and type of life."

6. JEROME SINAICO, of Madison, Wisconsin, reports: "We followed the plans quite closely. In place of the board and battens, we used 12-inch redwood siding and eliminated the outside entrance to the library, which we opened to the living room. We put a basement under the entire

7. H. C. Kemp,
Carthage, Mississippi



8. J. William Koring,
Solon, Ohio

house, use one end for woodworking, and plan soon to put in a rifle range for small-bore shooting. We used dry-wall construction except for the den, which is paneled in mahogany. Our home is on top of a sizeable wooded knoll, and our five and a half acres extend along the shore of Lake Waubesa where the back of the house faces. Kathryn and I love our home and will always have a grateful affection for you of THE AMERICAN HOME who made this plan available."

7. MRS. H. C. KEMP of Carthage, Mississippi declares: "We are so

House #10

proud of it, and what made us prouder than ever are the compliments we have been receiving on it. I don't think a day passes without someone complimenting it. We did cut the size of some rooms, but the plans are the same, and it really makes a picture among the pines."

8. THE J. WILLIAM KORINGS of Solon, Ohio, did most of the building themselves. Like many another who built from our plans, they asked us to drop by, adding: "We are always home. Why should we go any place else?" They call their home "View Point," and, indeed, it does have an excellent point of view. We thought, when we published the house, that the "office" would make excellent headquarters for parents who live with their children, and Mrs. Koring's parents not only live here, but pitched in with the building. Professionals did the excavating, masonry, lath and plaster work, and the family did most of the rest. Mrs. K. gave her mother a saw for Mother's Day, and her father put in the lawn. Writes Mrs. Koring: "The fireplace is faced with Dutch tiles Mother gave me, and my Bill made a lovely mantel. Curtaining all those windows could have been expensive, but we used lots of theatrical gauze. Most effective. We are so proud of what we have done, and I'm trying to decorate in Early American.—P.S. Bill (The Squire) says the plans are indeed excellent."

9. THE E. A. CAMERONS of Bedford, Ohio, really gave us a surprise. We had suggested many uses for that "office" but one we hadn't thought of was using it as a kitchen. It makes an excellent one in the Cameron home. "We built it that way," Mrs. Cameron explains, "because it's essential for me to have sunlight in my workroom in the morning. That kitchen is a delightful place to work in because we have 15 cupboards and plenty of drawers." Mr. C., a civil engineer, revised the plans (there's a bedroom where the kitchen is on the original), did much of the woodwork, put in the wiring. "Your House #10 really inspired us, for our setting is very similar."



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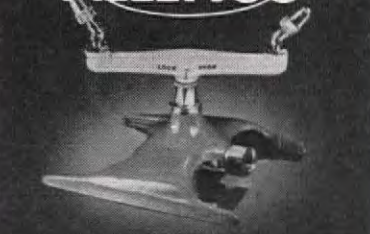
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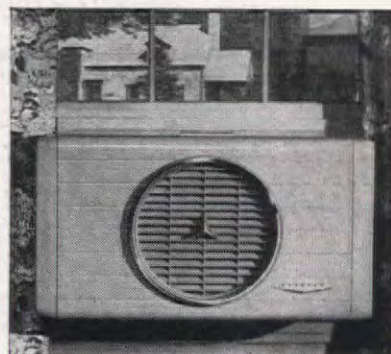
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We decided to "hotel" as home, saving \$ \$ \$ every night—but we stinted on nothing. We had our week well planned with visits to museums, golf, swimming, a junket one day consisting of a trip through historic Washington's Crossing, and antiquing in New Hope on our way to Lambertville and the "Music Circus" (a theater in the round); another evening we went to a show; and another evening we went dancing.

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TAKE A JAR OF MAYONNAISE
Page 56: Yellow plate, Sascha Brastoff. Small, blue plaid plate, Louisville. Swedish tile, by Frisco Sweden, Hammacher Schlemmer. Black salad bowl, servers, Prizerware casserole and trivet, Hammacher Schlemmer. "Heirloom" mayonnaise dish and plate, Cambridge Glass.

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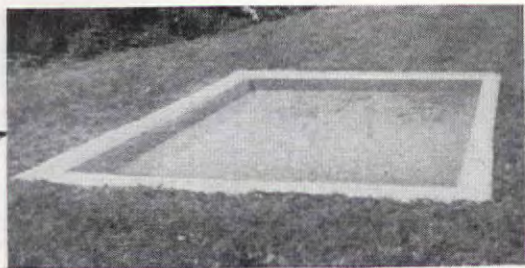
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MRS. A. SCHEINGOLD

Having read many articles in *AMERICAN HOME* describing home-constructed swimming pools, I thought your readers might like to hear about the small, inexpensive pool my husband and I built for our two girls. It cost, complete, \$40 (for 100 cinder blocks, 4 bags of cement, 1 bag of lime, 1/2 ton each of sand and pebbles, and 4 lbs. of a blue waterproof cement paint) plus one weekend and five evenings of hard work. An attractive, permanent feature of our garden, this is where the girls learned to swim and where, on hot nights, we all cool off. When the children outgrow it (if they ever do), it can easily be transformed into a lovely lily pool for me to enjoy.

If you live five miles from the nearest swimming place with no means of transportation, your children will probably demand some kind of a pool just as ours did. But our budget allowed us only \$50, and while plastic wading pools may be grand for tiny tots, our girls were six and eight years old; we knew that they would never learn to swim in the 9 foot by 18 inch deep plastic pool that would have cost \$45. So we decided—fortunately, we think, to make our own pool of concrete—one that we could all enjoy for a long time to come.

We made it 3 feet deep, and 6 feet by 12 feet so it could be covered in winter with standard hotbed sash. We have since discovered that a couple of logs put in the water in the fall absorb the expansion thrust as it freezes. This makes a winter cover unnecessary except to keep dirt and trash out.

The hole was dug with pick and shovel, and the soil carried away in our trailer to be used as fill. On the bottom we put a layer of gravel, then four inches of a 1-2-2 mix concrete. On this, we built the walls of cinder blocks which are easy to lay and require no forms. By making sure the first course was level, then building up the corners first, taking care to square them, we had no difficulty. We plastered the inside with cement and, before it dried, applied the waterproof cement paint.

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Buy Land

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FILLED LAND: Filled land is put up for sale for residential construction in many areas. This land may once have been a ravine, swamp, brook, or city dump which has been filled with trash, building debris, etc., then leveled off, and given a coat of soil. As a general rule, filled land should be avoided, for the mass under the soil is seldom very solid, and to build a durable house may require extensive, expensive foundations. Also, as the mass continues to settle, lawns and gardens develop deep depressions, and roads and pavements may crack. If the fill rests on a swamp or brook, you may have further complications.

Filled land is not always easy to spot with the eye alone. True, there will seldom be any large trees, but there will often be plenty of underbrush. There won't be any outcroppings of rock, and the area will have a very level appearance. If you have doubts about whether or not a piece of land is filled, consult your city records for the information.

SOIL CONDITION: To raise a garden or a lawn, there should be about four inches of topsoil. If there isn't sufficient topsoil, you will have to buy it, and have it distributed about the plot. This can be quite an expensive operation. In some instances, an unscrupulous seller will strip the major portion of the topsoil from an area, leaving only a thin film which will have to be added to. You can find out how deep the topsoil runs by digging a small hole with a spade.

TREES: A lot with no trees is bad because trees will have to be purchased and planted after the house is completed—and even then, it will be many years before they can offer any real shade or be particularly attractive. On the other hand, a heavily wooded lot poses a problem because many of the trees will have to be removed—more expense—and those that remain will have to be cared for. It's best, therefore, to have some trees, but not too many. The ideal is, of course, good-sized, healthy trees, and not all of the same kind. Far better to have a few maples, oaks, beech, etc., than a solid stand of just elm, say.

CONSIDER THE TERRAIN: There are several subtle factors that should influence your choice of a building lot. For example, you can build a much more interesting looking house on a gentle slope than you can on a perfectly flat piece of land.

The orientation of the land should be such that you get an attractive view in at least two directions, and this orientation should fit in with the tentative plans of the house. Far too

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Pay special attention to lots on the curves of side roads—these are good because they are not only more interesting than those on the straightway, but cars will usually slow up when approaching a curve.

CONSIDER THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Besides the land itself, there are several other considerations that you should take into account before you buy. First, will the location develop into a well-kept residential area, or will it soon be overrun by small and large commercial enterprises? This will depend upon whether or not the land is zoned, and you can get this information from the local authorities.

Is the land near enough to good schools, churches, shopping centers?

Does the local township have a good government that takes proper care of roads, etc? Is there a nearby fire and police department? If the land is in a new development, will the local authorities take over the maintenance of the roads, or will you along with the other residents have to pay for snow removal and repair? And how about taxes? Are they excessively high, or about normal?

UTILITIES: While undeveloped land usually sells for far less than land in a developed area, often it is without such essential utilities as water, sewer mains, electric power lines, and telephone; and the price of providing for these essentials may bring the real cost of undeveloped land up almost as high as the price of developed land. Before you purchase such land, check to find out just how much it's going to cost to bring you these required services.

It may be that the power and telephone companies plan to bring in the required lines because several other homes are going up in this area. On the other hand, you may have to pay plenty for bringing them in.

If you don't have city water and sewage, the price of digging a well and installing a pump may run around \$1,500, which must be added to the price of the land. The same thing will hold true if you must install a septic tank.

TITLE SEARCH: And last, but not least, before you buy any piece of land, regardless of size, be sure that it has a clear title. A title search can be made by any competent local attorney, and to buy land without such a search is pure folly.

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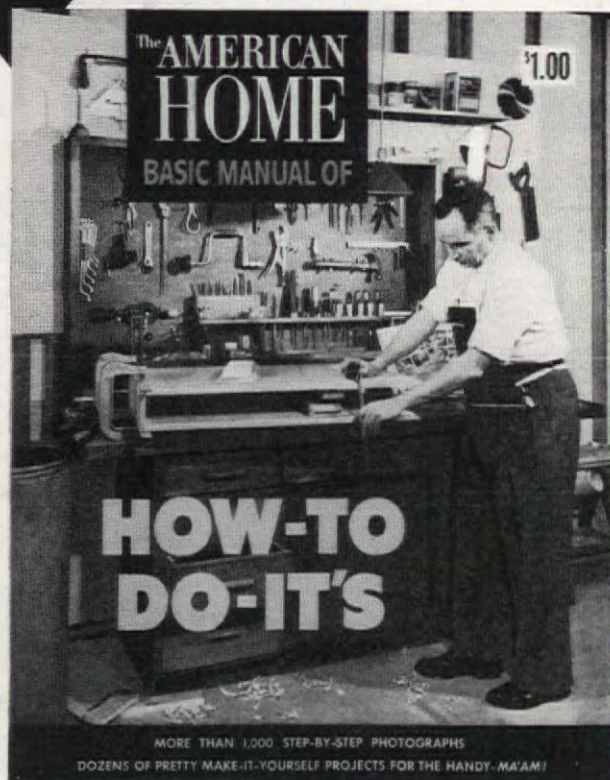
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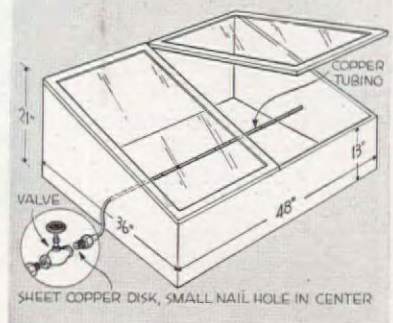
Saints in the Summer

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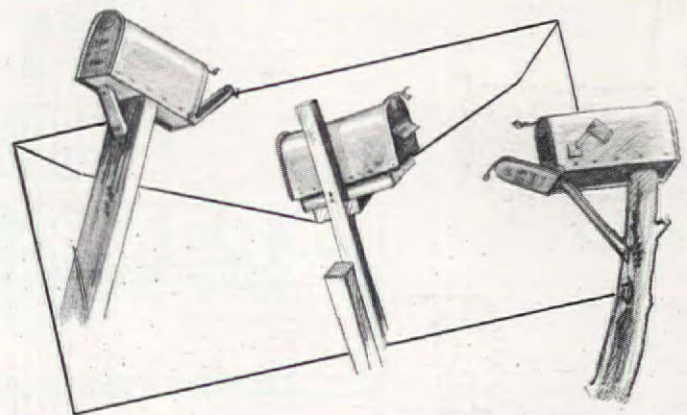
The culture of "Saints"—that is Saintpaulias or African-violets—has been my hobby for 15 years; I have had up to 300 plants of all ages growing in my windows at one time. Among other discoveries, I have found an ideal way to care for them over the summer months—including vacation periods when I have left them untended for several weeks and returned to find them happy and even blooming in their specially prepared place.

On the east side of the garage (a north exposure would do), my husband removed 12 in. of soil and in the excavation built a cold frame or hot bed as shown below, covering it with a pair of casement window sash hinged at the back, and boring vent holes in the sides. He put about 9 in. of sand in the bottom. Then he bored small holes in the upper side of a $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. copper pipe, and ran it across the bed, in at one side and out through the other side where he attached it to a soft-seat valve to give positive control of the water. In the connection, he put a copper disk with a tiny hole in the center. The resulting slow drip keeps the sand just damp.

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Around the bed he built a frame with burlap curtains tacked on top and sides to break the heat from the sun. I leave my plants in their containers, and sink these almost to their rims in the sand. With the sash closed, the sand kept moist, and only a little air circulating through the holes, high humidity is maintained, and the plants thrive in their cool, damp summer home until I take them indoors in October or early November.



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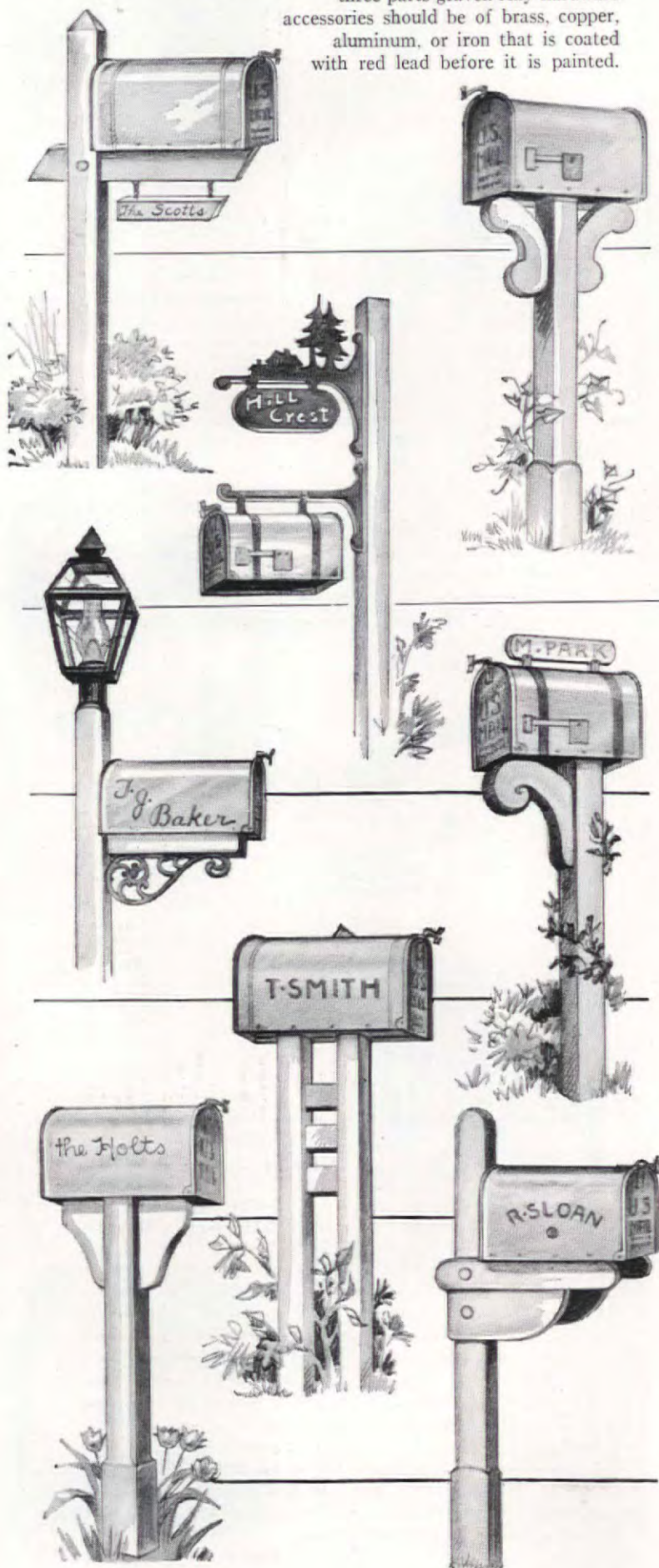
ESTHER B. BRISTOL

At last your R.F.D. dream house (or reasonable facsimile) is in good order with a new paint job and a lawn that's progressing nicely. But what about the mailbox that bears your name and stands as a signpost to your residence? Have you noticed it lately? Other people have. So make sure that it isn't hard to find and identify, that it doesn't yawn and lean on its neighbor, that it doesn't careen drunkenly over the roadside. Maybe it could profit from a new mounting and a coat of paint. Or perhaps you'd like to take advantage of the mailboxes on sale at hardware stores, in styles that suit any type of home, be it modern, Colonial, or a rustic camp. The suggested designs below may be suitable to your house—or you may want to go on from these to an entirely different idea of your own, with a few extras that proclaim your individuality. Whichever way you solve the mailbox problem, be sure to build a sturdy and solid foundation for the box, so that maintenance will be kept to a minimum.

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After you choose the design and location of the mailbox, dig a hole to below the frost line for the post. Use a solid wood post (or two) at least 4 by 4 inches thick—and be sure to coat with a wood preservative the portion of the post which extends below grade and up to one foot above grade. Then set post in hole, pack rocks around the base, and tamp soil in firmly. You can also use a standard cast concrete fence post, or cast your own by using a wooden mold and a mix of one part cement, two parts sand, and

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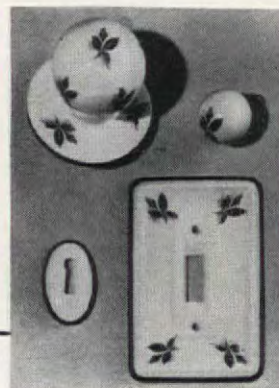
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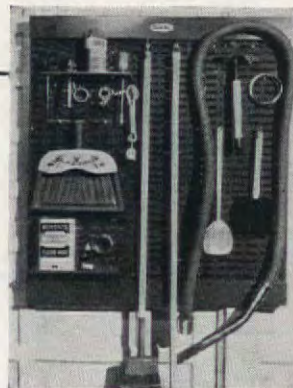


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