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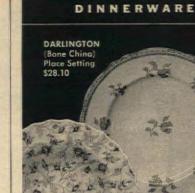
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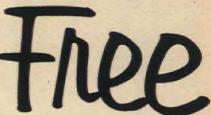


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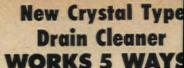
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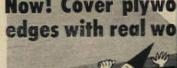
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Some guests at the Christmas Workshop Benefit have trouble choosing favorites among holiday mobiles made with everyday materials and exotic trimmings.



Betty B. Merriam (above) shows "From Latch String to Chimney" audience how to make a Christmas arrangement. She explained each step, and told where to get materials needed.

Members of St. Peter's Guilds sell aprons, stockings, candles, gifts, tree decorations, other homemade articles during intermission time, find the "work" of selling is fun—and profitable—when the customers crowd around.

Mrs. Merriam shows rector, Rev. Ronald H. Rowland, how she demonstrates making arrangement. She taught guests how to make candle-boards, how to brighten old vases.

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Noon intermission and time to enjoy box luncheons and to make close-up inspection of decorations. This is a good system for saving audience time and stimulating sales of handiwork.

Pretty little Christmas tree is just one of the many decorations guests learned how to duplicate. Mrs. Merriam turned the clubhouse into a "preview of Christmas" as she made wreaths, swags and arrangements.



Members of St. Peter's Guilds brought jars of homemade jams and jellies, cakes, cookies and candies—all tempting to the eye and the purse. Even the antique corner cupboard was for sale. THE END



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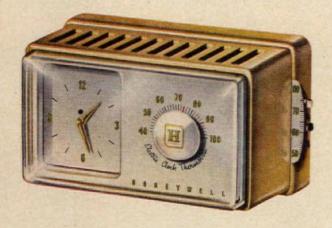
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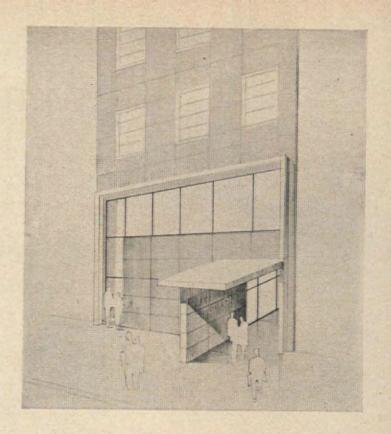
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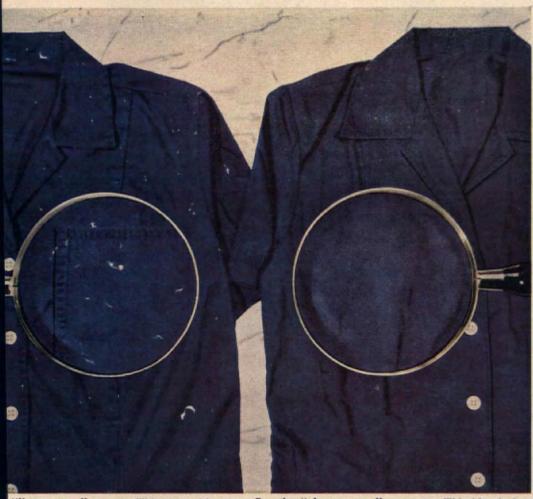


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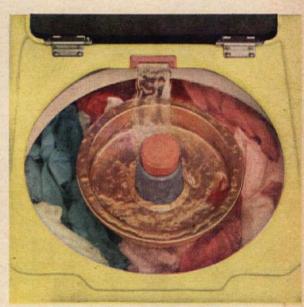
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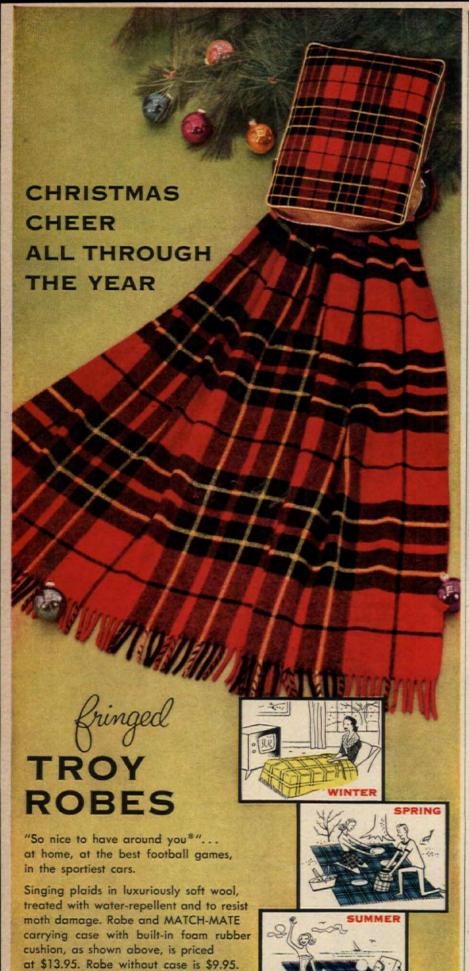
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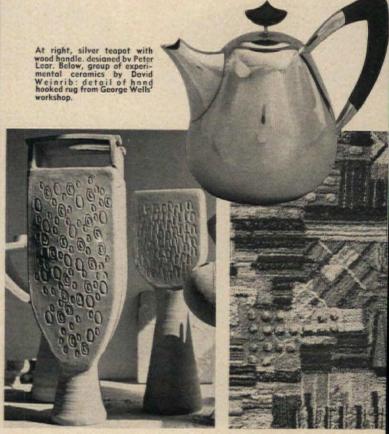
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For Lovers of Good Design

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including bowls, platters, salad sets, tables and chairs.

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Here is an opportunity for you to view contemporary crafts, and to get inspiration in whatever field appeals to you. If you are one of the approximately 20 million Americans now estimated to be doing constructive work with their hands in their increasing leisure hours, you're sure to gain satisfaction and inspiration from a visit to the Contemporary Craft Museum.

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Designer Frans Wildenhain in his studio working on a mural made of tiles.

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Oak flooring, lustrous and beautiful was Mr. Jones' choice for this lovely room. The natural wood tones provide the perfect setting for a décor that's an unusually happy balance of modern and traditional. And,

of course, to preserve the fine wood surfaces, the inevitable choice is Johnson's Paste Wax. Experienced craftsmen consider there's nothing like Johnson's for giving long-lasting wax protection as it beautifies.



Common brick, rich and glowing with color, adds warmth and hospitality to this distinctive dining foyer. Johnson's Paste Wax gives a satin-smooth patina to brick—flagstone and marble, too—keeps it beautiful easily in spite of "household traffic."



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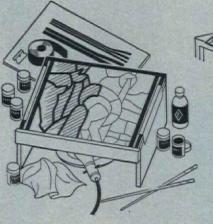
Fashion features green: here, Aquamarine with Bronze



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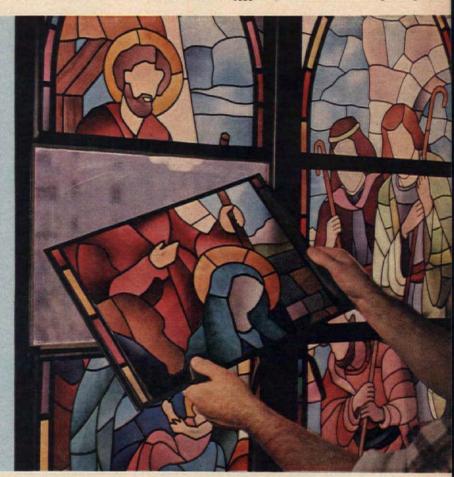
way you make a "stained-glass" window

When you work with paint (below) instead of cellophane, there are three ways you can proceed. You can put the thin strips of black tape in place, then paint each section. Or paint each section and add tape lines last. Or paint and tape a section at a time.





year, wrap each carefully in several layers of tissue paper and keep in a plainly-marked box. Put nothing heavy on it.



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The True Spirit of Christmas

Have you noticed the trend in Christmas decorations? Many more of them seem to be reflecting the spiritual meaning of this special day. And here is one of the finest examples portraying this revived interest that we have been privileged to see.

Our own Ed Fortuna designed and made this "stained-glass" window for his family. Its beauty is so heartwarming that all their neighbors came to see, to admire, to applaud. Many of them asked if they could copy the window for their own homes this Christmas.

What would be more natural than for us to offer the best, as shown here, for our readers' homes, too! Your family will enjoy the window from inside your home, and passersby will see the beautiful pictures from the street.

To achieve the stained-glass-window effect, you cut glass panels to fit between window muntins (sash bars) and frames. You secure the panels over the existing glass with tape. Two techniques for color are offered. You can use colored cellophane sheets, or you can paint the panels with transparent oil colors. Both methods are fully explained in our patterns, and neither is difficult to follow.

The glass panels are easily removed from windows to store. You can put them away, then take out and tape in place again each December for many years of Christmas joy.

If your windows are shaped differently, you can adapt these designs to suit as explained in the patterns. And you can do one complete panel series this year and finish the second series before next Christmas. Or, if you have single windows you can use one series of panels for one window, the other series for a second separate window. They bring the spirit of Christmas to any room.

There are many ways for you to make use of this truly beautiful idea this Christmas and for many years to come.

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Christmas Patterns

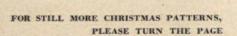
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PATTERN 1651—\$1.00. Continuing our Christmas theme, here is a tryptich composed of three separate panels. You can use panels together or individually. The center panel of Madonna and Child is beautifully done, and the angels on side panels are exquisitely designed. With wonderful simplicity, the gold, white, soft sienna, ochre and warm, rich red are delicately outlined with black. Add Christmas greens to emphasize beauty.

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PATTERN 1652—50¢. Serene Madonna with a sweet face is a rare and perfect way to announce Christmas at your house. Thick evergreens and softly-colored lights accent the beauty of this doorway. The colors used are all soft and faded like those found on antique polychrome figures. Since this pattern includes full-sized tracing, the picture is very easy for you to duplicate.





PATTERN 1653—35¢. Still another way to bring Christmas joy to everyone, this small shadow box depicts the Nativity. It can be hung on a wall or placed on a mantel, table or chest. Pattern includes transfer and tracings.



"It's for you," says Mrs. Hesse. The kitchen telephone is easily reached from both work and dining areas.

"A bedroom telephone is indispensable," says Mrs. Hesse. The beige color set harmonizes with contemporary furnishings.



A phone in the den in the basement is a "must"—both laundry room and workshop are located close by.



The telephone in Johnny's room is portable—can be plugged into a jack in the living room when necessary.



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Curtains of HATHAWAY DACRON, a Product of

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Painted on a red oilcloth panel, the little choir boy at right will "light" up your doorway with his tall candle. The bars of musical notes will sing Merry Christmas to all. This is a full-sized tracing pattern #1654, is priced at 75¢



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Friends of the famous designer Lietta enjoy these delightful little angel decorations. We'll warrant they will gain many new fans too! Make of paper on 12" bottles with rubber-ball heads. Full instructions in pattern #1655 for angel with crown; pattern #1656 for angel with halo, both are full size; 35¢ each.

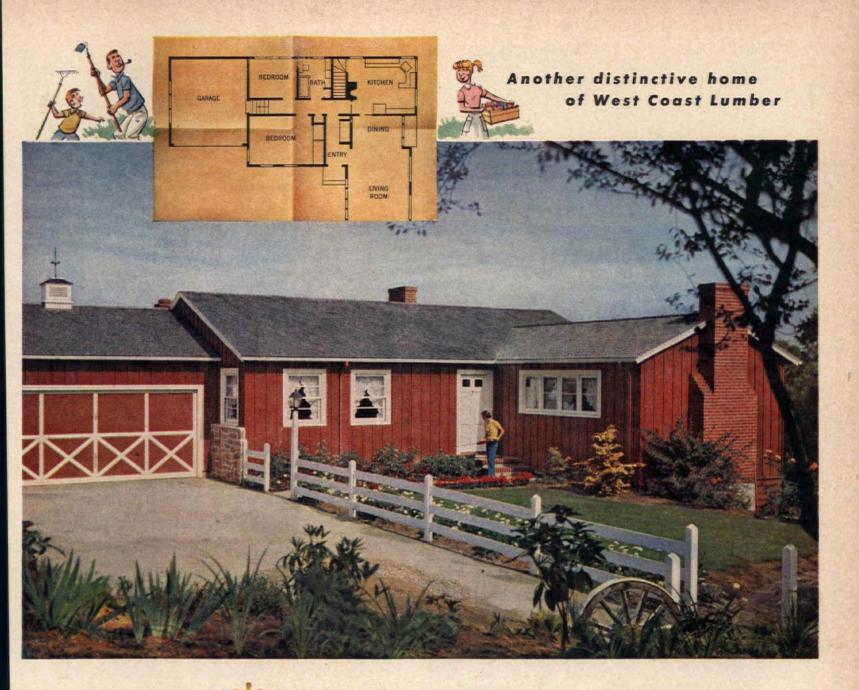


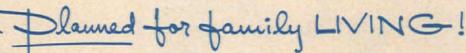
Paint these angels on your door with wash-off paint for a new approach to the Christmas holidays. The stars can be painted on, or you may use ready-cutout stars with gummed backs. Use tracing pattern #1657, 40¢



DO YOU TRIM YOUR GARAGE, TOO?

Do you have an original way of expressing Christmas Spirit on your garage door? Then please send pictures of it to The American HOME Pattern Dept., 300 Park Ave., N. Y. 22, N. Y. It will be considered as a possible pattern for Christmas 1957. If it meets our needs, we will buy it. REMEMBER: THE DESIGN MUST BE ORIGINAL.







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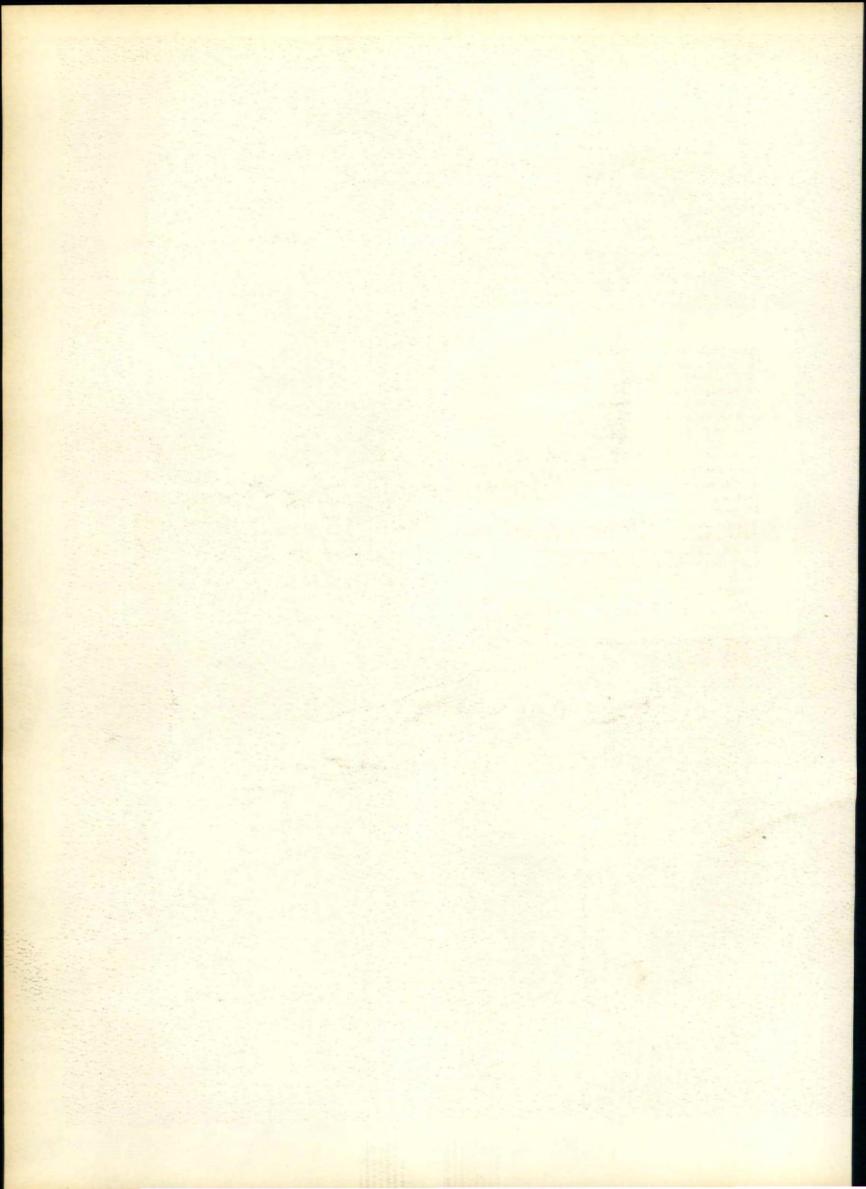
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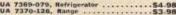
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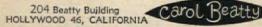


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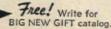
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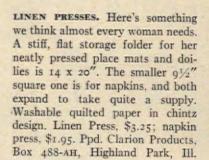
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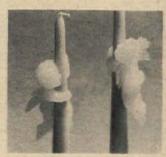
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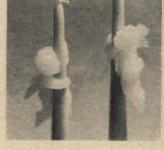
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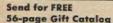
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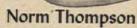
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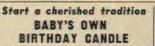


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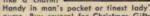
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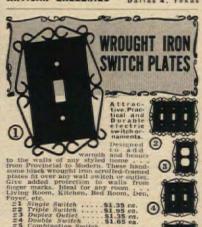


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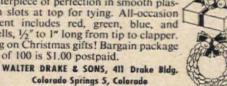


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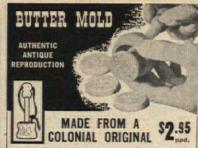
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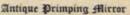


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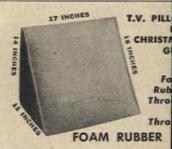


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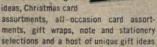
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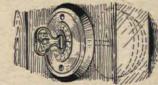
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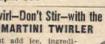


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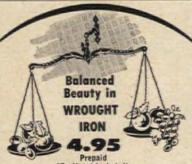
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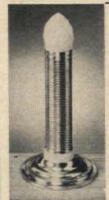
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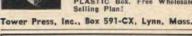
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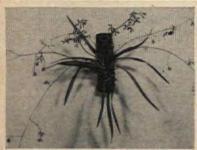
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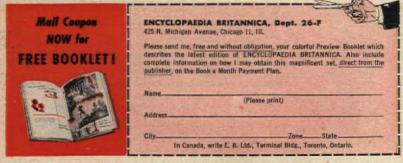
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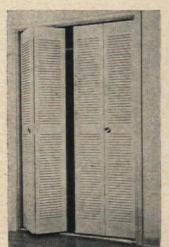


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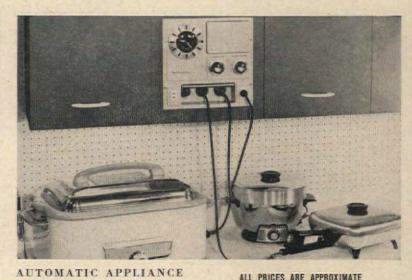
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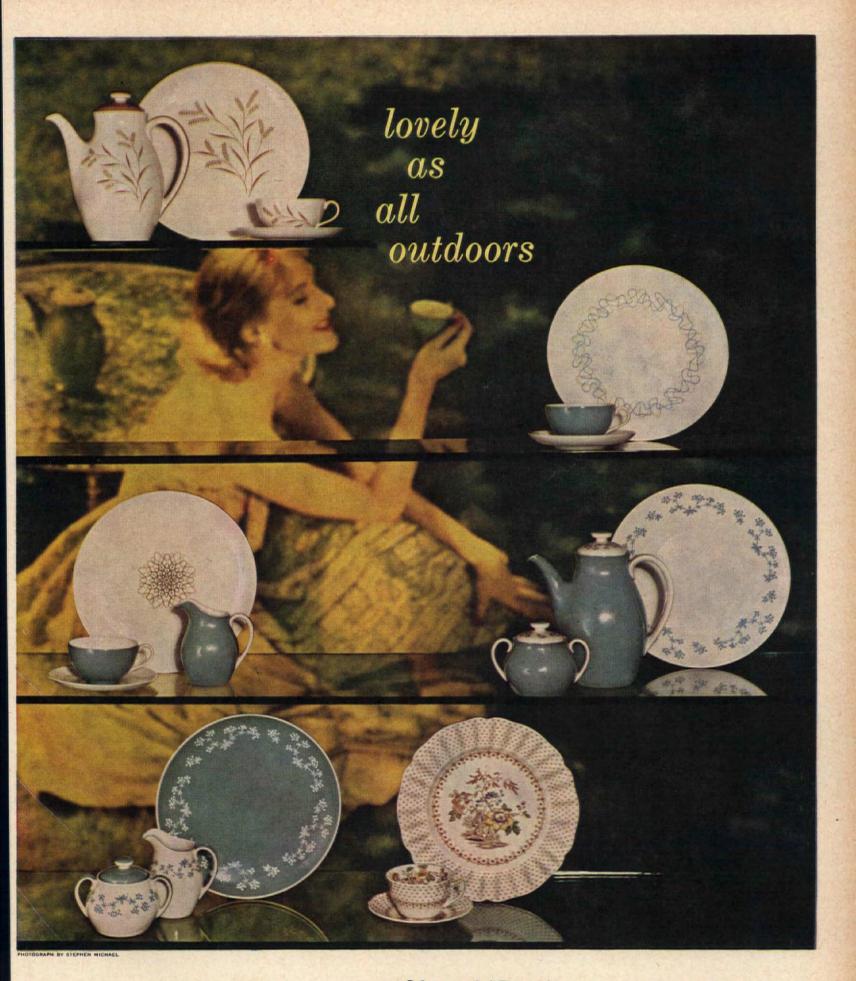
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LLYN SIMONDS

odern industry has produced remarkable improvements in such products as automobiles and washing machines . . . much to be admired. But I wish they'd bring up to date a few other items that are victims of severe lags. I refer specifically to dogs. The present model is outmoded. Here, based on what seems like centuries of puppy-raising, are my suggestions for modernizing dogs:

1. NO TEETH. Dogs are equipped with long choppers designed to anchor or trap prey inside the mouth, and sharp teeth for tearing flesh. This was all very well in the jungle, but when my hand is trapped or anchored inside a dog's mouth, playfully or not, and when my slippers are torn, I tire rapidly of the anachronism. The modern dog eats canned meat mixtures or dry foods with water added. He does not need to trap, anchor or rend these foods. He has no constructive use for teeth, and I find his teeth undesirable.

2, PATENTED PUSH-BUTTON DIGGING ACTION. Before the rise of civilization, it may not have mattered where dogs dug. Now, when the excavation site is a flower bed or a chair, it does matter. What I have in mind is some sort of device that would enable anyone to coax the dog over to a spot where a hole is desired. You could start puppies planting rosebushes and work them up gradually to digging foundations for your new house. It would be fine, too, if the dog could be guided to dig a hole of the correct dimensions . . . perhaps by feeding him a shoe punched in code.

This sort of thing is called sublimation, and my dog could use a lot of it. If we could channel even one per cent of his energy, we'd have our own electric power plant.

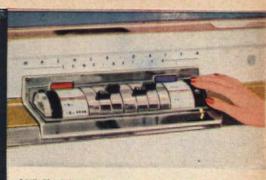
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Temperature of Your Porch?

ot a porch on your house? Or are you thinking of adding one? In either case, here's a question you ought to consider: how many months of the year can it be useful to you?

The one we show here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Quinn started off as an open sun porch. But since it's in Minnesota where summery days are numbered, it was useful only a small part of the year. Now, with walls insulated and storm windows added, it has attained year-'round usefulness.

Formerly, the fireplace was used only as a barbecue during the warm season. But now it doubles the rest of the year as the porch heating plant. On sunny winter days the heating problem is simplified, for two glass walls let in the low-angled sun. When the sun doesn't oblige, heat coming through the open door to the house supplements the fireplace.

Many a full-time porch "grows up" from something else. Some even start off as open patios or terraces. A roof and screens may be added to beat the rain and bugs. Walls, windows and flooring let you be comfortable in late spring and early fall. You're on your way—it's only a step or two to a year-'round porch.

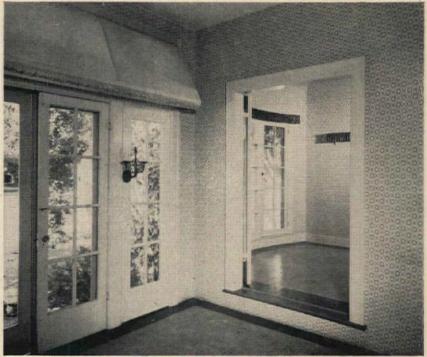


FOR ANOTHER PORCH THAT "GREW UP," PLEASE TURN THE PAGE



Louise and John Good combined dated sun porch,









breakfast room

to create this family room

• It's amazing how a few well-spent remodeling dollars can not only change the appearance of a house, but even change the way you live. This is certainly true in the California home of John and Louise Good. The two views at left show how the old sun porch and breakfast room looked before the Goods made this space work as a family room.

The big construction jobs were to remove the partition between porch and house and raise the porch floor to the same level as the house floor. The old French doors were replaced with two great panels of glass. And over the wood floor is asphalt tile that looks like a continuous terrazzo floor.

To continue the informal, out-of-doors atmosphere, the walls are papered in a simulated-brick design, and the furniture, in a terrace mood, is made of wrought iron and woven cane. At the opposite end of the room, a conversation corner was created with a comfortable L-shaped couch arrangement.



More Winter Comfort with less fuel

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If ow comfortable will your house be during the cold months ahead? And how big will your fuel bills be? Experts say that the average six or seven-room house can now be heated from October through May for less than \$100. If your heating bills are higher, then something is wrong. Or if you're plagued with chilly rooms or cold spots that are out-of-bounds in winter, something's wrong.

You can own the world's finest heating system and still have a cold, uncomfortable home in winter. Heating is only one part of winter comfort. Your home's indoor climate must satisfy *all* of your body's comfort requirements—not merely a temperature in the 70's.

THREE "MUST'S" FOR COMFORT

- The right temperature. The air temperature must be 73° to 77° F. for most people who are at rest and clothed normally. When the temperature drops below 73°, most people begin to feel cold unless they're active or heavily clothed. And when the temperature climbs above 77°, most people begin to feel hot. But it's not enough just to maintain the right temperature.
- No drafts. Drafts are simply stray currents of cold air. When they brush across your skin, they carry body heat away faster than it can be replaced. You can feel chilled even though the average room air temperature falls squarely in the comfort zone. For maximum comfort, the rate of air motion across your skin should be about 25 feet per minute. Air that moves faster than 40 feet per minute is called a draft and causes discomfort.
- Warm walls. Even though the air is warm and draft-free, cold walls can cause you pronounced discomfort. Why? Though it may seem otherwise, heat always flows from a warm object to a cold one. So heat radiates from your body to the surrounding walls when they are colder. The colder the walls, the more body heat they absorb, and the chillier you feel. This is uncomfortably so even if you've turned the heater way up and the thermometer reads in the high 70's. The result is a familiar complaint encountered in some houses—high room air temperature combined with cold walls, which makes the room feel "stuffy." Fresh air is needed, people say. The real problems is cold walls!

WHAT ABOUT HUMIDITY?

Humidity is another thing you may desire in winter, though certainly not in summer. Most people can be comfortable in winter with the relative humidity anywhere from 10 per cent up to 50 per cent, but a humidity level around 40 per cent is preferred since it prevents drying out of the nasal tissues. In a dry house, an adequate moisture level can be maintained with a humidifier. Modern appliances, such as dishwashers and clothes driers, however, usually produce enough moisture in a house to provide winter comfort.

WEATHERSTRIPPING AND INSULATION

There are good ways to satisfy each of the three major requirements for winter comfort. The first and easiest requirement to satisfy is an air temperature within the 73° to 77° comfort zone. This is the heater's job, but even the most efficient heating system is no sure guarantee of complete comfort.

Most drafts can be eliminated by tight construction when the house is built, and by weatherstripping CONTINUED ON PAGE 126

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will get you yet!



No, it's not by strength of number alone that African violets will "get" you—though it'll sure help! For there are colors, flower forms, leaf patterns enough to captivate anyone the least bit interested in house plants. Here is but a sampling—the flowers and leaves of a dozen varieties. Top: Philadelphia Belle, Painted Girl, Clementine. Second row: Adorable, Double Delight, Valencia. Third row: Pink Shocking, Pink Cloud, Pink Victory. Bottom: Navy Bouquet, Double Neptune, Powder Puff. The more people they "get," the more varieties the hybridists create!

Arican violets are probably the best allaround house plants ever discovered. And of course that's why they're the most popular—and why there's such a thing as African violet fever!

What makes them that good? Well, both the flowers and the leaves are attractive. Properly handled, they're virtually everblooming. And their compact size makes it easy to find places for them, to use them for decorative effect, and to grow lots of them if you happen to be a collector at heart.

Fortunately, too, you don't have to be an expert to grow African violets—but they're just tricky enough to provide a feeling of accomplishment when you do succeed with them.

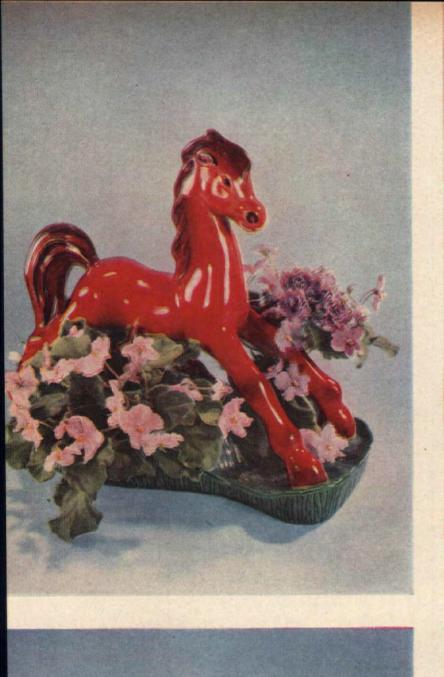
Hybridists have worked hard to make African violets even better, and to secure greater and greater variety.

Not long ago all African violets, or saintpaulias, had "single," five-petaled, purple flowers. Now there are so many colors and flower forms that there's no keeping track of them.

Meantime, house-plant enthusiasts have been finding more and more ways to use them. The decorator-minded are no longer content merely to grow them in pots on window sills and shelves. They use both plants and blooms for just about every purpose for which cut flowers and other kinds of plants are used in the home.

Our illustrations suggest some of the countless possibilities. A little red colt prances among the varieties Pink Glacier, Loveliness, Lavender Halo, and Powder Puff. A porcelain figurine beholds a tiered basket of Lyon's Pink Cloud, Attraction, Lavender Halo, White Fringette, Pink Glacier, and Stardust. The variety used with the candelabrum is Lyon's Pink Cloud.

In the strawberry jar—a clever idea for a corner window—the varieties from left to right, top to continued on page 128









The Howard Duffs Set Their



Own Stage

We never tire of blue. (Remember "Blue—An Old Favorite Becomes High Fashion" in our April, 1955, issue?) And you all know our penchant for Early American. Small wonder, then, that we fell for this home! Just as you love the practicality and livability of furnishings that you can relax with, so do home owners Ida Lupino and Howard Duff (Mr. and Mrs. Duff, off-screen). That's why they set the stage for day-to-day living without frills.

Evidence of Mrs. Duff's easy approach to decorating—brick and tile and cork for floors, paneled walls accented with a gay bit of paper. Blue is everywhere—upholstery, walls, draperies, chair pads. A warm rose and the deep tones of old wood are compatible accents. All through the house, brass, pewter, copper and silver accessories mingle unabashed.

At left, it's story time in the Duff household. Ida Lupino has no qualms about welcoming daughter, Bridget, and her favorite pet into the informal playroom-den and onto the sofa. What better proof of a completely livable home!

PLEASE TURN THE PAGE



Handsomely furnished, spacious entrance hall overlooks a beautiful garden.



Small fireplace in den backs larger one in the living room. Rugged brick flooring around the compact bar area extends into the bedroom hall.

The successful hostess knows how important adequate seating is for her guests. At right, just one of the many attractively furnished, relaxed conversation groupings that are the rule in the home of Ida Lupino, husband Howard Duff.

Living-room fireplace is a focal point for Duffs' many informal parties. Raised hearth, with the cushions for comfort, provide an extra supply of seating. Below, Mr. and Mrs. Duff enjoy tea after busy day. Folding louvered doors match the living-room walls, and close off pre-dinner preparations.







"This house is turning into a cafeteria we never have meals together or on time any more"

Bring Family Meals Back to the Table

on't let TV and suburban living wreck the valued old custom of family-style meals. The American family picture of parents and youngsters sitting around the dining table is fast disappearing. The youngest is glued to the TV set watching some kiddy program with his "blue-plate special"—a one-course meal served on one plate. He sets this on the floor or his lap, or juggles it back and forth in his hands. Older children burst in, hurriedly gulp down the meal, and rush out again.

What with commuting the way it is now, Dad gets stuck in traffic a few times a week. Or maybe he's delayed at work. Poor Dad really takes the beating, and often wonders, I'll bet, if he wouldn't be better off living in the city and being packed like a sardine in bus or a subway than riding home to the suburbs. At least there would be less chance that he'd find his meal is a blue-plate special, although the joys of living in the suburbs are well worth the inconveniences of getting there.

But Mother-who looked forward to the suburban move-begins to wonder, too. While we hear some architects are planning more houses without dining rooms, we also hear that more women want separate dining rooms in which "to teach our children dignified table manners." The family-style meal-where the whole family eats at the table together-is waning. Instead, there are "TV meals" all over the house, at all hours. Mother thought the move would cure all this, but the kids' stuffing and gulping still shows on the few occasions when they do sit down to the table with the family. Other times, they spill food on the living-room rug, or leave a "Hansel and Gretel" trail all the way from the kitchen or dining room to the TV set.

Something has to be done, but what? Someone has to put his foot down, and establish a schedule that will be most convenient for everyone concerned. Those blue-plate specials can be a boom or a bust. They must be used with more discretion, because manners and family fun are at stake.

Establish a dinner hour that everyone can meet. If possible, a time that will not be too late for your youngest . . . CONTINUED ON PAGE 112







About a century ago, a little house was built on cedar logs in a valley near Seattle. Now, this house is an up-to-date beauty. Remodeling did it!



It's a new house



house can be tiny and timeworn and yet have marvelous potentialities.

Remodeling can make it spacious and up-to-date. And while remodeling costs money, the most important ingredient is your ability to see the possibilities, or your willingness to rely on an architect to guide your planning.

Just look what happened at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fay O. Garner of Bothell, Washington. At the top left you see how their 90-year-plus house looked when the Garners moved in. The first floor was one average-size room with a few odd lean-to's tacked on. The Garners even had to add a bathroom before they moved in.

Not much of a house these days, you might say, but five acres of land came with it, and a sweeping view of the valley and river. The Garners saw a future in this house.

So they asked architect Elizabeth Ayer, A.I.A., and contractor Harry Lyon, to remodel it for them.

Perhaps the most important step in good planning was taken when the main entrance was shifted from the porch side



ANN STERLING

at 90!

of the house to the terrace side. Now, the main entrance does not open directly into the living room, but opens into an entry area that channels traffic to various parts of the house. No room is a thoroughfare for anybody interested in another part of the house. In this area, a coat closet and powder room were added.

The entry area also connects the two new wings. The left wing (at top, right page) contains the kitchen and dining-family room on the first floor, and on the second floor, an extra bedroom. The right wing contains a bedroom with a fireplace. a dressing room, and a large bathroom. It is topped by storage space. Under the right wing, a basement is provided.

The original house is the living room, with another bedroom over it. The upstairs bedrooms and bath are the "territory" of the two Garner boys.

Mrs. Garner decorated the house. She kept it ranch-house style with contemporary touches, as you can see in the view of the dining-family room (left). Counter separating this from the kitchen is at right of room.



One of the best clues to the up-to-dateness of any house is the way it's set up to provide for outdoor living. In this respect, the Garner home rates high. The large, open terrace gives plenty of room for the family and guests, while the nearby stately stand of trees protects terrace from sun's hottest rays.

GIVE YOUR DESK THE

DOROTHY COLLINS



1. Spread papers on floor. Remove hardware. Apply paint remover with brush to remove finish. Scrape blistered finish off with putty knife.

It was a nice desk to begin with, but now, with little effort and expense, it is truly handsome! Marbleized or tortoise-shell wallpaper makes all the difference. This beautiful wallpaper blends remarkably well with almost any decorating scheme. We covered parts of this desk with paper, and left the drawers in their natural wood for contrast. The back of the desk is covered with panels of the paper. So if the furniture is ever rearranged and the back of the desk shows, there'll be nothing to worry about! The frame remains uncovered to accent each papered panel.

You can try this decorating trick no matter what the shape of your desk, no matter what wood it's made of. You can accent blond wood with brown and gold tortoise-shell paper, or stain wood surface a soft driftwood-gray and use marbleized paper.

You'll need the following tools and materials: wallpaper (\$7.50), wallpaper paste (69¢), paint and varnish remover (\$1.54), shellac (\$1.50), resin-type powdered glue (50¢), and also a wheel cutter, scissors, brush for paste, large brush for smoothing, cheesecloth, mixing spoon, yardstick, basin, and seam roller for piecing.



2. Wash off remover with benzine. Dry, then rub with fine steel wool. Brush on coat of shellac mixture, 5 parts alcohol to 1 part shellac. Dry.



3. Rub down shellacked surfaces with fine steel wool. Repeat shellacking 5 to 7 times. Wait 24 hours and rub with steel wool between coats.



 Measure areas to be covered with paper. Add 1½" on all sides (trim later). Cut out each section of paper required. Mark for position.



 Brush paste onto back of wallpaper panels, one at a time. Cover every inch of paper smoothly, evenly. Smooth paper onto desk with hands.



 Brush paper with a smoothing brush to remove any air bubbles. If bubbles do appear, loosen paper at corner, brush from center to corner.



3. Trim off all surplus paper with a cutting wheel. A single-edged razor blade may be used, but it won't be as easy to use as cutting wheel.

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own "elbow grease" can bring

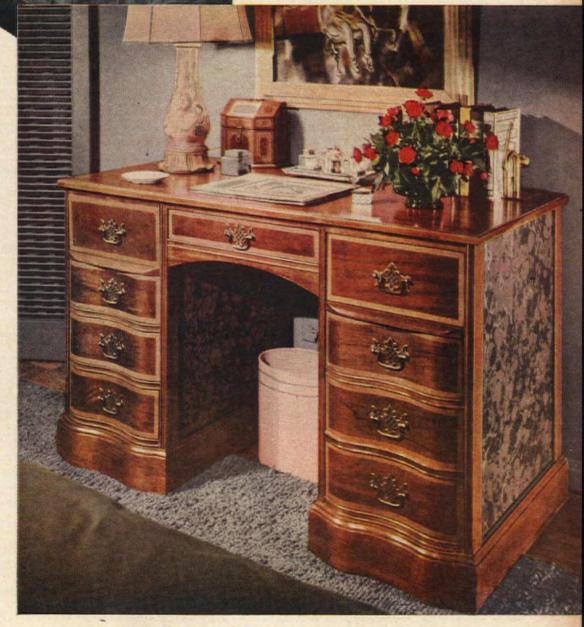
results that Cinderella would envy!



5. Put quart of water in basin. Add wallpaper paste gradually, smooth with wooden spoon. Add several teaspoons of resin-type powdered glue.



See how handsome wallpaper panels make this nice-but-ordinary desk! Spray on a clear wallpaper lacquer or plastic to preserve the paper.



Look what's happened to Prefabs! .hubbard H. COBB

Think you can spot a prefabricated house every time you see one? If you think you can, you're in for a surprise!

Let's see just how sharp an observer you are . . .

Take a quick guess. How many of these homes would you say were prefabricated? One? Two? Guess again, for these beauties with the custom-built look are all prefabs!

Prefabricated homes have come a long way since the end of World War II and today's models offer you some tremendous values in both design and living space. And, of course, you have a wide range of choices in both size and style.

Are you looking for a house with a traditional feel? You can find it in a prefab. Or maybe your taste in homes runs to the contemporary or even contemporary-modern. You'll find many to choose from in prefabs.

And what about the price range of prefabs? Well, if you're looking for a minimum house for, say, under \$7,000, you can find it in a prefab...and if you're in the chips and want to pay \$40,000 or even \$50,000 for your dream house, you can still find it in a prefab.

Many of the larger prefab manufacturers have a wide range in both floor plans and exterior treatments. Such variety means that even in a large development of prefabs with similar floor plans, the houses can all look pleasingly different.

Not so many years back, most prefabs were selling on the basis of low cost combined with sound construction. Today, emphasis is being put on design, exterior styling, engineering and even better construction.

Many people today still ask if a prefab is as well built as a home that is erected board by board and nail by nail at the site. Let's take a critical look at this question.

A prefab manufacturer can afford to employ topflight architects and engineers because their cost will be spread out over a great number of houses. And so a prefab house offers a great deal in good living, and the very best in construction practices. Because so much of the prefab house is built indoors under ideal production conditions, the prefab can actually be a sounder-built

house than one constructed wholly on the site. In fact, many of the construction techniques developed by the prefab industry have worked so well that they've been adopted either wholly or in part by the more progressive conventional builders. Since 1946, more than 536,000 prefabs have been erected in this country. Prefabs can be financed through FHA and VA insured loans, and this points up their basic soundness. And are prefabs popular? One out of every 12 homes built in the United States last year was a prefab.

Do any other factors contribute to this popularity? Apparently several do. You know exactly what you're going to get for your money. You know exactly what the house is going to look like when it is completed, what kind and grade materials are to be used, and what equipment the house will contain. You also know exactly what it is going to cost. And since the vast majority of the assembly work is done at the factory, the prefab house is erected far more quickly than a conventional-built home.

The vast majority of prefabs are sold through franchised dealer-builders. Only a small percentage of the prefabs erected are sold direct to the home buyer. The dealer-builder is carefully selected by the manufacturer and must prove his qualifications before he is granted the franchise. And then the manufacturer keeps a close check to be sure that houses are erected in accordance with specifications. Manufacturers also help the dealer-builder in site planning and in solving special problems, such as color styling.

Naturally a prefab is not the answer to everyone's housing problem. The more progressive conventional merchant builder can offer many sound reasons why his homes have advantages over the prefab, and the architect will say that nothing can beat an architect-designed, custombuilt home. But prefabs have their own special advantages, so they deserve your careful consideration if you're thinking of buying a home.

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 ONE-STORY: This smart fourbedroom contemporary house boasts a handsome family room as well as a spacious living room, a dinette and two baths among its features. It is an outstanding example of the fine design and planning you now find in prefabs.

 SPLIT-LEVEL: Designed so well that it seems to be custommade for the lot. But this house was prefabricated at a factory. The wide range of models offered now by manufacturers has put an end to the old complaint about a lack of individuality in prefabs.

STORY-AND-A-HALF: Here
is a home that has a distinctive
traditional flavor, and is built
of time-tested materials. It also
is prefabricated. Five bedrooms,
three baths, entrance hall, living
room, dining room, dinette, twocar garage, and a full basement.

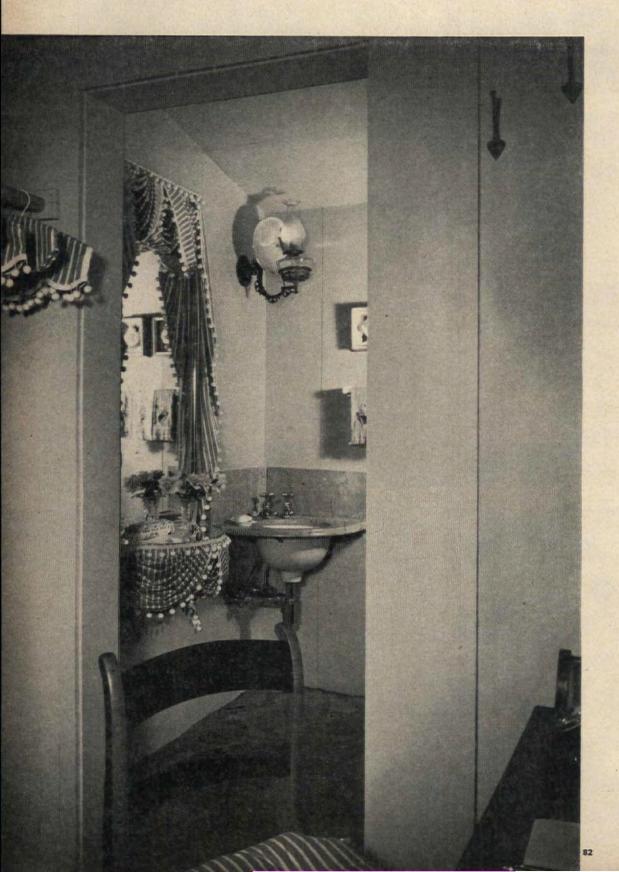




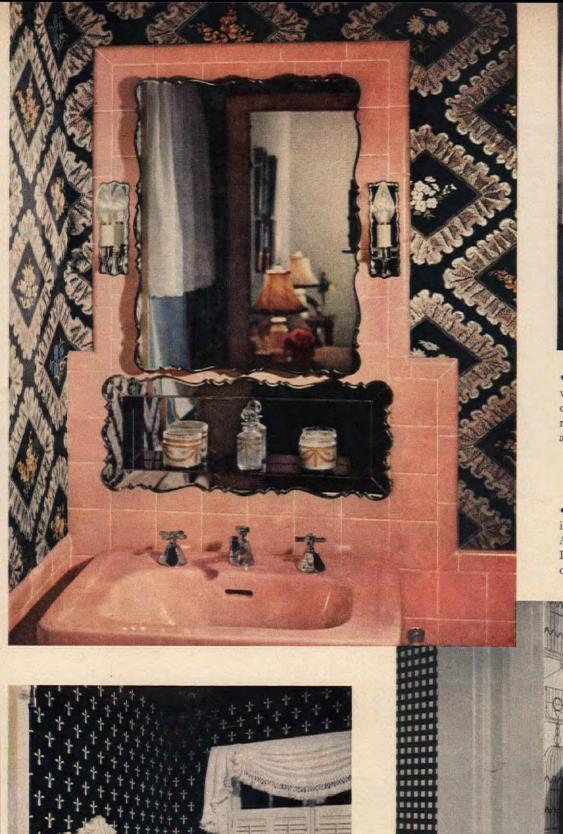


One room that's always a delight to decorate is
a powder room. It's usually a tiny room, true, but it can be whimsical,
flowery, or dramatic. Here are some good

Make-up Tips for a Small Space



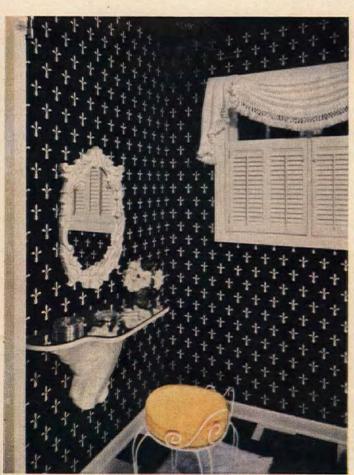
- Wholeheartedly feminine, that's the powder room at the right. Marie Lewis chose softly-tinted peach tile, put lace-framed nosegays on the wall, and made repeated use of decorative mirrors. The large-scaled wallpaper print is very effective. And it's not overpowering when the pattern is interrupted this way by tile. Ultra-feminine, this "romantic" decor is a high-fashion home-furnishings note for this year.
- Although space is very limited in perky powder room at left, there's a dressing table for guests. It's a hanging shelf. The shelf and large mirror panel above it are draped with pleated pillow-casing cloth. Cranberry-red and white-striped, the fabric is like ticking, White ball fringe makes a jaunty edging for it. Adjoining room has a telephone niche, and there's space at left for guests to leave their coats.
- One vivid color accent, a yellow velvet cushion, makes this stark black and white powder room very dramatic. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Madden of Portland, Oregon, chose a flocked wallpaper. The fleur-de-lis pattern is a stunning background for the white plaster trim of the baroque mirror and wall vanity. A swag of woven linen with heavy cotton tassels tops the louvered half shutters that provide privacy, can be opened for more light.





• Quaint old-fashioned fixtures—a marble washstand with porcelain liner and a fretwork cabinet—are perfect make-up for powder room of the Patrick Portlands. Color of wall and informal curtain pattern fit right in.

• Whimsical wallpaper, large-scaled but airy in feeling, is the wise choice of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Hosfeldt Jr. of Portland, Oregon. Deep frame of mirror in small powder room: old shadow-box frame painted black, white.





Still Life with White Turkey by W. Duffield (1816-1863). Courtesy Berry-Hill

JEAN AUSTIN

Good Victuals in Your Freger



A ccording to Oliver Goldsmith, "He cast off his friends, as a huntsman his pack; For he knew when he pleas'd he could whistle them back." We don't recommend that you cast off your friends for 'tis not easy to whistle them back. But one thing we do recommend, Mr. and Mrs. Huntsman, when you do "cast off your pack": we hope you cast your "kill" in the freezer. We're convinced that when the season is over and the day of the hunt is but nostalgia in your mind, you'll still be mighty happy, for you'll

secretly know that THERE'S GOOD HUNTING IN YOUR FREEZER. Whether it's game birds or small game, it all freezes, and well! We give you here some freezing and cooking tips and a "send off" for good freezer hunting after hunting season is over.

freezing birds and small game

Check state and federal game laws to find out whether game can be held in storage, for how long and during what periods of the year storage is legal.

GAME BIRDS—For those who like the gamy flavor: Game birds may be purchased commercially, frozen in full plumage. They have been bled before freezing, but have not been drawn. Be sure to keep them frozen until ready for use, then thaw and prepare for cooking. If you wish to experiment with freezing birds in full plumage, then be sure to remove the body heat immediately, bleed, draw and freeze promptly, wrapping in moisture-proof, vapor-proof paper or containers. They will be more gamy in flavor if frozen in this manner. Short-time storage is recommended.

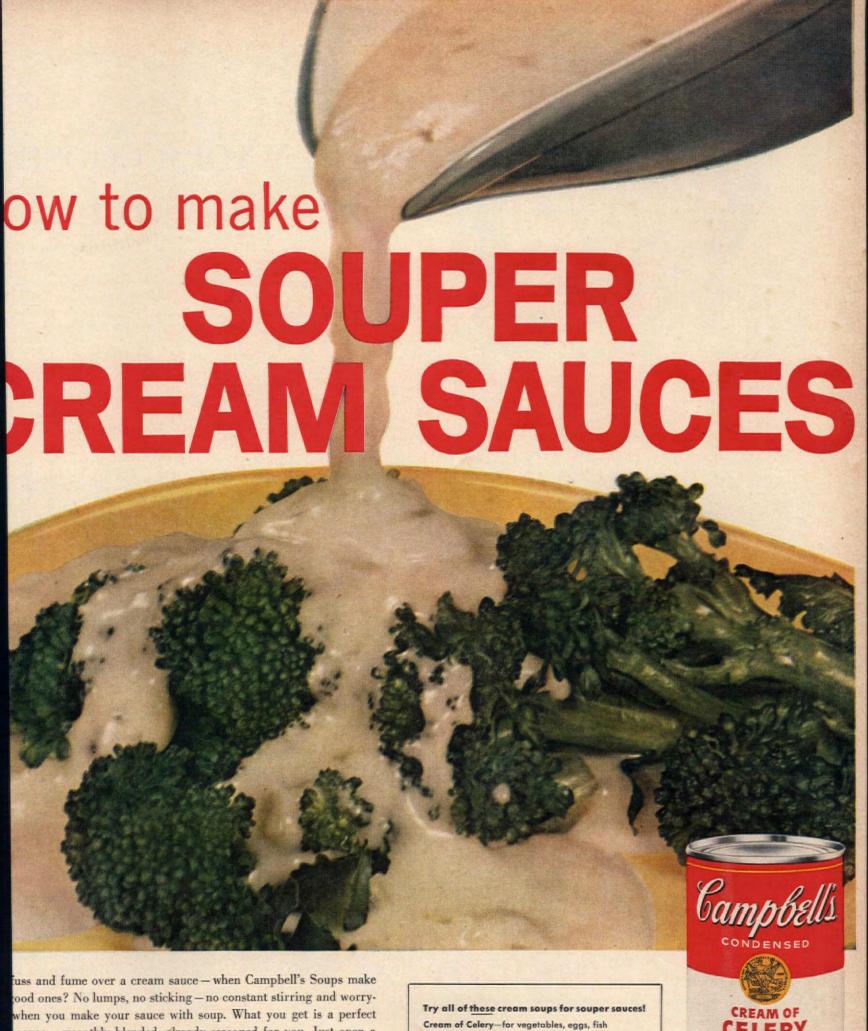
For those who like mild-flavored game birds: Preparation for freezing or cooking should begin as soon as possible. Eviscerate and bleed thoroughly. Pluck as soon as possible. Dry picking is preferred, although the use of the paraffin method as well as that of semi-scalding water is also recommended.

Chill thoroughly, wash well, cut. To freeze, wrap in moisture-proof, vapor-proof paper or cartons. Freeze promptly as for poultry.

SMALL GAME—Behead, eviscerate and skin as soon as possible. With rabbits and all other four-legged game, carefully examine the liver, lungs and intestines to be sure there are no white spots or unusual growths. Dress or prepare in the same way as for mild game birds. Wash, cut, package as above.

FOR STUFFINGS, SAUCES SEE PAGE 100





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Select a bird just as you would to prepare it by your usual method. It can be either freshly-dressed or frozen. However, you will have to gauge the size of your goose by the size of your cooker. If you have one of the big pressure canners, wonderful! Then size is no problem. Or if your pressure cooker is smaller, be sure that the goose you buy is going to fit comfortably inside.





Place the goose on the rack in your pressure cooker, and then consult charts for fowl that came with your cooker for right amount of water, pressure and timing. Then, cut the timing in half. Why you ask? Well, because it's roast goose we want, so we finish cooking in oven, and get "just right" taste.



After you remove the goose from the presure cooker, pour the liquid into a bowl and skim off the fat. If you like stuffing with your goose (remember, this will no be greasy), use some of the broth for moistening the dressing but save some for a good tasty gravy. By the way have you ever stuffed a goose with sauerkraut? It awfully good! Now the bird is ready for a quick roasting. Allow about 15 minute per pound at a low temperature (325)

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- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 cup MAZOLA OIL

ne flour, salt, pepper, and ca. Roll each piece of n in flour mixture until pated. Meanwhile, heat LA in baking pan* in hot 100°F.) about 10 minutes. icken in hot MAZOLA, le down. Bake, uncovered, utes; turn chicken, bake utes longer, or until well

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ARE YOU A BREAKFAST

If you turn up your nose at breakfast, you're With these recipes, you can put a tempting breakfast on the table





• If you jump out of bed in the morning, cheery and rarin' to meet the new da you're not a breakfast snob. You're in the group usually noted not only for early rising

but also for big appetites for breakfast. But alas! If you are an ear riser, chances are still good that you're married to a "how I ha to get up in the morning" person . . . or a partner who avoids brea fast and wonders why everyone can't be content with innumeral cups of coffee and large quantities of silence . . . or a dieter who ski breakfast entirely (then shoots the works for the day at lunch). A

you may even have kids whose favorite refrain is "Mom, do I have to eat eg again today?"

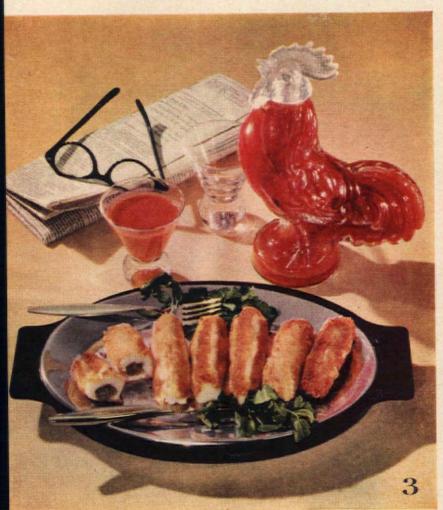
And right there, perhaps, is the answer to why so many of you are what we cheekfast snobs... breakfast avoiders. Could be that the same old bill of fare moring after morning dulls even lively appetites. So we offer five breakfast suggestion Monday through Friday menus. You can start all of these recipes the night before. or even make them long in advance and store in your freezer. That's a feature the should entice sleepy breakfast snobs, just-java drinkers, and dieters. These recipes make it possible for you to get a good breakfast on the table with your eyes half shu

Start Monday with a BREAKFAST CAKE that has been baked in foil. It makes wrapper for freezing, for reheating. Delectable HASH HAWAIIAN comes from the freezer, too. Serve it with scrambled eggs whipped up the night before. SAUSAC POTATO PUFFS and DE LUXE CREAMED CHIPPED BEEF ON TOAST again be freezer stock. Don't fail to try the Friday special: COTTAGE CHEES PANCAKES WITH APPLESAUCE. And there we have it for the working were A new breakfast outlook for all!



SNOB?

making a big mistake. even if you're still half asleep!



r details about table appointments, see "Where Credit Is Due" page 154





JEANNIE WILLIS

BAKED APPLE *BREAKFAST CAKE BEVERAGE

SCRAMBLED EGGS
*HASH HAWAIIAN
TOASTED ENGLISH MUFFINS

BEVERAGE

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*SAUSAGE POTATO PUFFS
BEVERAGE

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ORANGE JUICE
*COTTAGE CHEESE PANCAKES
WITH APPLESAUCE
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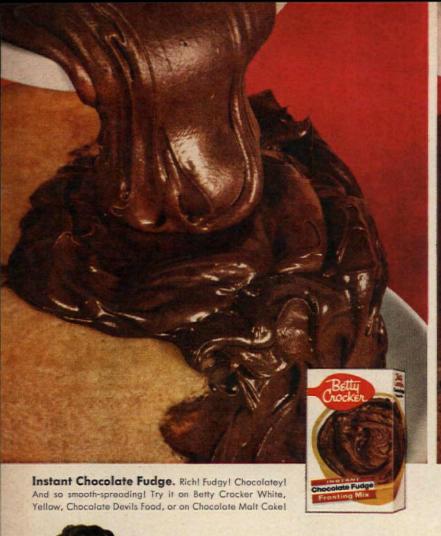
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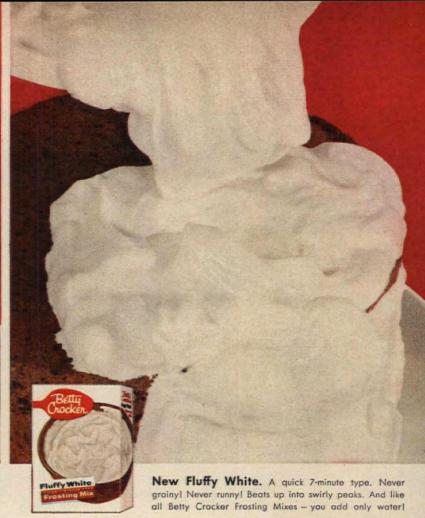
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Take a Can of PUMPKIN



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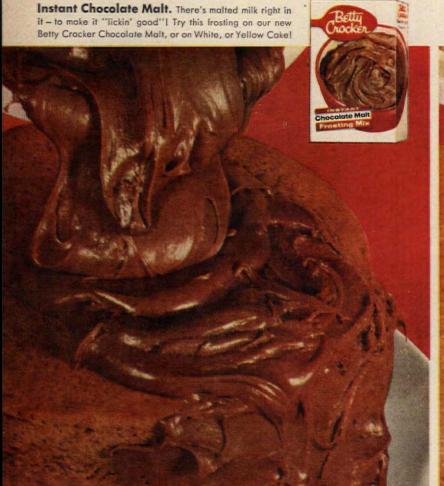
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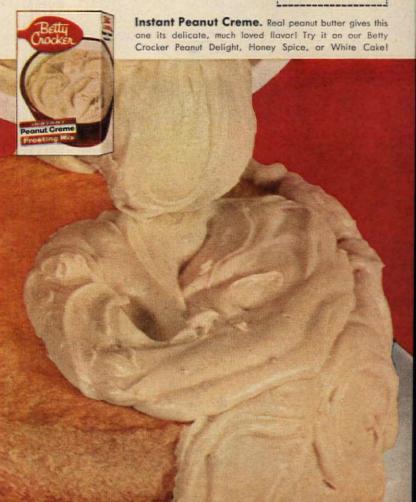
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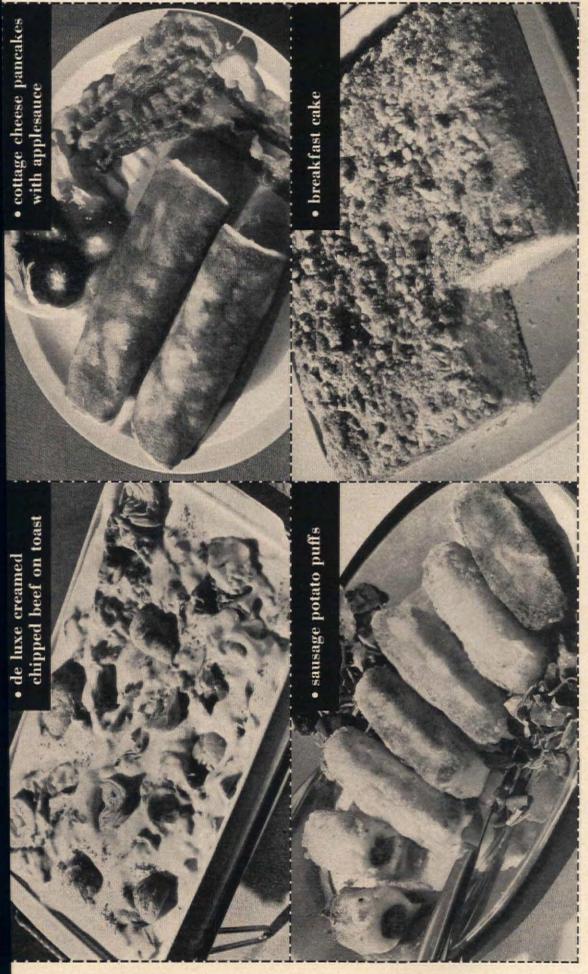


American HOME Recipes

(Family Food, pictured in color on page 88)

American HOME Magazine offers cellophane envelopes for protecting recipes in your card file. They came in a standard 3 x 5 inch size and are open at both ends so that recipes may be easily inserted. You can order them in lots of 100 for \$1 from:

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The golden bird, proud and beautiful . . . snowy potatoes whipped to a fare-thee-well . . . hot gravy, snug in its boat . . . and, naturally, to complete the picture, flame-red Ocean Spray Cranberry Sauce—plump whole berries in winy juice, or smooth, velvety jelly—glowing in prized cut glass: that's Thanksgiving!

Traditionalists like their Ocean Spray Sauce just as is for the big feast. (And who blames 'em? The fat, juicy berries pampered by Ocean Spray growers are a far cry from the tiny, hard-shelled cranberries the Pilgrims picked!) But it's fun to vary the sauce for the cold buffets that follow.

Chafing Dish Saucery

Cold white meat. Bubbly hot Ocean Spray! M-m-m-m! Fork-whip Jellied Ocean Spray into a purée and heat. Or heat Whole Berry Sauce straight from the can, with a stick or so of cinnamon, a dash of cloves ... Or add a splash of light rum (or rum flavor) . . . Or generous spoonfuls of moist mincemeat . . . Or applesauce . . . Grand Marnier (or orange extract or orange rind) is delectable in hot Cranberry Sauce...Or snitch baby's peach or apricot purée and blend in. Tangy Ocean Spray Cranberry Sauce blends with 'most any fruit, preserve, or jelly. And with any mix, throw in some nuts! You're the doctor! (And remember fork-whipped Ocean Spray Jellied Sauce turns canned gravy into a gourmet delight when turkey gravy's gone!)

Chilly Cranberry Chutney

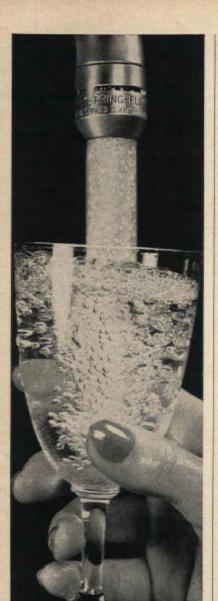
Here's where the American Indian's cranberry masquerades on an East Indian menu. Cream turkey odds and ends. Add curry powder for oriental flair. Serve over quick-cooked rice. And make it real exotic fare with this easy-mixin' Ocean Spray Chutney:

Combine one 1-pound can of Whole Cranberry Sauce, 2 tbs. light brown sugar, 1 tbs. vinegar, ¼ cup seedless raisins, ¼ cup chopped almonds, a dash of garlic salt, ¼ tsp. ground ginger, a dash of red pepper, Makes a pint of good eating!

Baby Baked Alaskas

This is a quickie that impresses guests with its gourmet reputation. Handy, because you can make just enough for 2, 4, 6 or more.

On several thicknesses of wrapping paper placed on a wet board, place sponge-cake shells from the bakery. Put a ¼-in. slice of Ocean Spray Jellied Cranberry Sauce in bottom of each, Put a scoop of hard-packed vanilla ice cream on top each one (1 pint makes six). Top absolutely all over with meringue (3 egg whites, beaten stiff, with 6 tbs. sugar added gradually makes meringue for 6 desserts). Bake in hot oven 3 to 5 min.



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ON LEADING MAKES OF FAUCETS



Preparation time: 15 min. Cooking time: 15 min.

potato puffs

• sausage

185 cal. per puff Source of Vitamins A, B
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NOTE: When preparing the night before, flour puffs and then refrigerate in a covered container. Next morning, brown in the hot fat.

Combine all ingredients until evenly blended.

290 cal, per square

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1 tbs. melted butter or margarine

tsp. cinnamon

with applesance

Preparation time: 10 min.

chipped beef on toast

de luxe creamed

1 5-oz. jar dried beef 1 8-oz. can artichokes

tbs. butter or margarine tbs. flour

cups milk

cup sour cream

r cup sieved cottage cheese 2 tbs. salad oil

1/4 tsp. salt Dash of cinnamon

I cup applesauce

STORING FOOD IN CANS?

Storing food in opened cans won't poison you—as the old story once said. The inside of each can is treated so there's no action of food acids on the metal. And the inside of the can is sterile whereas dishes might not be. So just cover these partly-used cans with aluminum foil saran film before you store them in refrigerator.

Stir in remaining shells.

or margarine, flour and milk. Serve hot over toast or patty

Prepare cream sauce with butter ingredients and heat but do not boil.

Serves: 3-4

490 cal. per serving Source of Finantins A, D Originated in The American HOME Kitchens

NOTE: Creamed chipped beef may be prepared the night before and refrigerated. Just

heat in the morning.

350° F. oven for 15 min.

breakfast cake

Preparation time: 15 min. Baking time: about 30 min.

2 tsp. baking powder 11/2 cup sifted flour

1/2 tsp. salt

34 cup sugar

floured 8" by 8" by 2" pan; dot with currant jelly and sprinkle with topping. Bake at 375° F. for 25-35 min. Cut into 9 squares. · Cream together sugar and shortening, add egg and beat well. Stir in the milk and then the dry ingredients which have been sifted together. Pour into a greased and About 1/4 cup currant jelly (optional) 1/2 cup milk

TOPPING

cooled sausage in the center of a spoonful of potatoes, completely covering sausage with mashed potato. Roll lightly in the flour. Brown in sausage drippings or short-

ening over medium heat. Serve hot

Serves: 4

· Precook sausage and drain on paper towels. Mix egg with potatoes. Press a link of

I egg (optional)

2 cups leftover mashed potatoes

Ib. small link sausage

% cup chopped walnuts or pecans 14 cup brown sugar

Yield: 9 squares

NOTE: To prepare the night before, bake cake in a foil lined pan and cool. Cover with foil. Next morning, heat covered cake for 15 min. in a 300° F. oven.

cottage cheese pancakes

Preparation time: 10 min. Grilling time: about 15 min.

 Beat eggs until light in color, blend in cheese and oil. Sift flour, salt and cinnamon into the mixture, stir until just blended. Bake on hot griddle until brown on each side. Spoon apple sauce on each cake and roll 325 cal, per serving Source of Vitamins A, B
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NOTE: To prepare the night before, roll pancakes with applesance and place in a baking dish, cool, cover with foil, and refrigerate. In the morning, uncover and bake in a

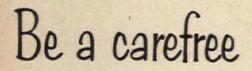
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YESTERDAY'S ODDS AND ENDS-TODAY'S FEATURE

RUTH P. COLLINS

The other morning I happened in on my neighbor, Mary Allen, as she was trying to solve a familiar problem. "Just look at this refrigerator!" she said. "Why do I save these odds and ends? Tom hates leftovers, so I only have to throw them out later."

To tell the truth, the refrigerator was a hodgepodge.

"We all hate leftovers," I told her, "when we think of them as leftovers. But making something really new out of them can be fun!" With that we started thinking—and here are some of the dishes Tom ate the next two days, never suspecting they'd been "leftovers."

Mary fried the slices of tomato the next morning, after the bacon. Tom was tickled to get out of that bacon-and-egg rut.

· A bit of cold turkey was slivered fine, along with some of the Swiss cheese. Tossed in a green salad with a sharp dressing, it made a delightful lunch for Mary and her sister. With it, Mary served the hard rolls, delightfully warm and soft inside after she'd sprinkled them with water and heated them in aluminum foil for a few minutes.

The drying corn was cut from the cob and appeared in griddle cakes. Served with maple syrup, they became a supper dish.

Those from the "old sod" will agree that the best dish of all came out of the old mashed potatoes—Irish potato cakes. Milk was added (potatoes were already seasoned) and the potato dough was kneaded on a well-floured board, rolled out and cut in triangles. Each cake was floured on both sides and cooked slowly on an un-greased skillet until browned and slightly puffed.

Turkey turnovers grew out of the remainder of the turkey, some diced cooked potatoes, seasonings, and enough cold gravy to shape.

With the patties went two ripe tomatoes, scooped out, then refilled with the mashed pulp and bread crumbs. Grated cheese was sprinkled on top. After 30 minutes in a hot oven, they came out plump and red, smelling and looking as good as they tasted.

Mary stuffed those outside stalks of celery with cream cheese, mixed with that hard bleu cheese and Worcestershire sauce.

"What is all this?" Tom asked that evening, "company coming?"
But Mary didn't tell him about the leftovers. She just replied,
"No, I've just been having fun trying new things." Then she suddenly thought of that stale bread in the refrigerator. Tomorrow for breakfast she would get up a minute earlier and use it for French toast.



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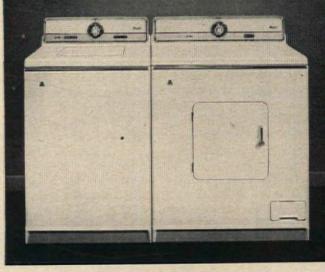
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salad or dessert in a hurry? You can set flavored gelatin in half an hour if you dissolve gelatin in one cup of boiling water, add eight ice cubes, and stir for 2 minutes. Remove ice cubes and pour the gelatin into your serving dishes. If you let this stand 1 or 2 minutes longer it will be the perfect consistency for folding in fruits or vegetables. • A package of instant pudding made up with half milk and half cream will make a good, sauce to perk up a canned fruit.



bo You prefer your own pastry but like the convenience of a mix? Why not make your own mix? Five pounds of flour, 1½ pounds of shortening, and 2 tablespoons of salt will make enough for 10 pies. Use 2 cups of mix for each pie. • To make your own biscuit mix, cut 2 cups shortening into a mixture of 12 cups flour, 5 tablespoons baking powder, and 2 teaspoons salt. To make biscuits, just use 2 cups of the mix and add ½ cup of milk. Store in refrigerator.



WHY HEAT MILK for mashed potatoes? You will get same effect and avoid cleaning a milk-coated pan if you use dry milk powder, butter, and some of the hot potato water instead.

• Why heat the water you use to boil frozen vegetables? That chunk of ice chills it completely. They will cook almost as fast if you start them in tap water.

• Why heat popover pans? It's an old, disproved idea. Popovers pop just as well when they are baked in cool pans.



THE "CLEAN-UP-ERS" will love you if you cook small amounts of vegetables in same pan. Keep vegetables separated: put them in individual cups made of aluminum foil. An inch of water in bottom of pan will give enough steam to cook the vegetables.

Avoid the usual cracker-crumb mess. Roll crackers inside a plastic bag. The plastic bag makes it easy for you to see when crumbs are fine enough. It keeps the crumbs off the floor and stores them, too.

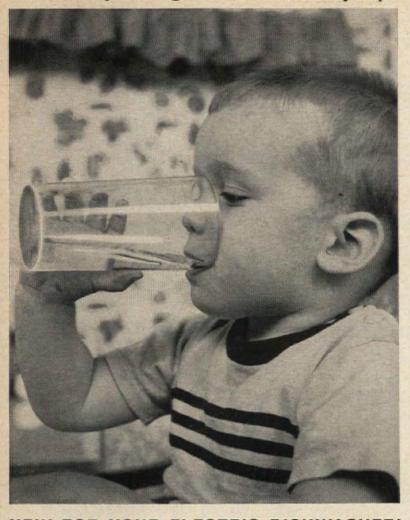


You can make two desserts from one. You can make two desserts from one. Try these for ease. Bake just half of the cake batter so that it can be cut in squares. Serve with a fruit sauce. To rest of batter add grated chocolate or spices and frost as half a layer cake.

• While you're making an apple pie, cook up peels and cores with more apples to make sauce. Color will be better than usual. For a regal dessert, top a dish of this apple sauce with spiced whipped cream.



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Good Victuals

(Begins on page 84)

sauces for wild

1. Mrs. Hurley, of Syracuse, suggests for wild duck a sauce made of a glass of melted currant jelly; you add 1 tbs. prepared mustard, juice of ½ orange, grated rind of the whole orange, heated separately (not with pan juices) and poured over the duck. Always skim off excess fat from pan juices before proceeding with sauce.

nount of brandy. crushed juniper berries, then sprinkled with

Clean cloth dampened in cold water and lemon juice. Orange juice mixed with same amount of brandy. Equal quantities melted fat and crushed juniper berri

bird inside and out with

for wild game birds

If

with very thin slices

covered

up, breast

and pepper. Cook breast

excessive

or of

Following stuffings are to absorb overly strong gamy taste

discarded after bird is cooked. dry, lard with salt pork or

bacon

2. Brown in pan drippings, chopped onion, celery and parsley, thickened slightly with cornstarch, seasoned to taste, a tangy jelly and a dash of onion juice for tartness.
3. Stir currant jelly in pan juices, simmer a few minutes with a few ounces of sherry

of fat or grease, of lemon and orange (1 thickened slightly with nutmeg added to pan juices skimmed free drippings add port, juice and grated rind game, such as rabbits, a little butter For mild of

grease. and orange (half and

5. To pan drippings add half, currant or spiced gr

or red wine, raisins and and julienned orange peel.

> Chopped apple and onion thoroughly mixed with lemon juice, salt, pepper and quartered unpeeled apples, diced celery and seeded, unpeeled orange

Whole peeled onions and quartered apples. Sweet butter kneaded with minced parsley, chives, onions, and celery tops,

soned with salt, pepper and nutmeg.

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American HOME Recipes
(Take A Can of Pumpkin, pictured in color on page 90)
(Family Food, pictured in color on page 88)



WEDDING COMING UP?

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spicy pumpkin cake

cup butter or margarine 2 cup granulated sugar cup brown sugar unbeaten egg egg yolks

21/4 cups sifted cake flour 3 tsp. baking powder

cup sour milk or buttermilk

8" layer pans. Bake at 350° F. 30 to 35 min. Serve with your favorite frosting, or serve ingredients. Combine milk and pumpkin and add alternately with the dry ingredients to creamed mixture, stirring after each addition. Pour batter into 2 greased and floured · Cream butter or margarine, add sugars gradually and continue creaming until light and fluffy. Add whole egg and yolks one at a time, beating well. Sift together dry ½ tsp. ginger
½ tsp. allspice
¾ cup sour milk or butte
¾ cup canned pumpkin warm with cinnamon whipped cream.

Serves: 8

330 cal. per serving

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NOTE: To make sweet milk sour, place 2 tsp. vinegar in a measuring cup. Pour in sweet milk to 34 mark and set aside until ready for use.

pumpkin-nut chiffon pie

Preparation time: 15 min. Chilling time: about 1 hr.

14 cup cold milk 1/2 cup brown sugar r tbs. plain gelatin tsp. cinnamon 1/2 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. cinnamor 1/2 tsp. nutmeg

1/2 cup finely chopped toasted almonds cup heavy cream, whipped 11/4 cups canned pumpkin 14 cup granulated sugar 2 eggs, separated 14 tsp. ginger

I 9-inch pie shell

Stir until dissolved. Beat egg yolks and combine with pumpkin. Combine pumpkin and milk mixtures. Chill until slightly thickened. Whip egg whites, gradually adding granulated sugar until stiff, but not dry. Fold into the chilled mixture. Then fold in the whipped cream and almonds. Pour into pie shell, Chill until firm. Garnish with Soften gelatin in cold milk. Scald milk and add gelatin, brown sugar, salt and spices additional whipped cream and toasted almonds.

Serves: 8

230 cal, per serving

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holiday muffins

Preparation time: 10 min. Baking time: 25 min.

6 tsp. baking powder 4 cups flour, sifted

14 cup sugar 14 tsp. cinnamon I tsp. salt

2 tbs. butter or margarine 1/2 cup canned pumpkin

2 eggs, slightly beaten

2 cups milk

• Sift dry ingredients into a large mixing bowl. Combine eggs, milk and pumpkin and add to dry ingredients, add melted butter or margarine, stirring only enough to combine the mixtures. Batter will be lumpy and not smooth. Pour into greased muffin pans. Bake at 425° F. for 25 min.

Yield: 2 doz.

100 cal. per muffin

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hash hawaiian

Preparation time: 10 min. Baking time: about 30 min.

1/4 tsp. baking soda 1/2 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. cinnamon

1/2 cup pineapple juice or milk

2 tbs. butter or margarine

Dash of pepper

I tsp. salt

Cooking time for eggs: about 5 min. Broiling time: about 8 min,

Preparation time: 15 min.

Beat eggs slightly. Stir in juice or milk and seasonings. Over medium heat, melt butter or margarine in a frying pan. Pour in egg mixture, stirring lightly as it cooks. SUBMITTED BY MRS. DOROTHY I. LIERMARK

HASH

r cup ground cooked corned beef 1/2 cup drained crushed pineapple 11/2 cups cooked diced potatoes

2 tbs. minced onion 4 cup milk

Salt and pepper to taste

American HOME Recipes

(Take A Can of Pumpkin, pictured in color on page 90)

Lightly toasted English muffin halves

· Combine first six ingredients, shape into patties and place on the split, toasted muffins. Broil until browned.

Serves: 4

360 cal. per serving Journe of HOME KITCHENS THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS NOTE: Hash patties may be made the night before and refrigerated; ready for use the following morning.

• citrouille soupe

Preparation time: 5 min. Cooking time: 10 min.

11/2 cups canned or cooked tomatoes 1/2 tbs. butter or margarine I cup canned pumpkin r ths. chopped onion

r tsp. monosodium glutamate ¾ tsp. salt Dash of pepper 11/2 cups milk · Brown onion in butter or margarine. Add pumpkin, tomatoes and seasonings. Slowly stir in milk. Bring to boil and simmer for 5 min., stirring occasionally

Serves: 4

105 cal. per serving

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pumpkin aspic

Preparation time: 10 min. Chilling time: about 1 hr.

PLANNING A BIG PARTY?

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dishes that you

1 pkg. orange-flavored gelatin 11/2 cups water 4 tsp. ginger

1 cup canned pumpkin 1 tbs. brown sugar I ths. orange

 Dissolve gelatin in 1½ cups water. Stir in remaining ingredients. Refrigerate, stirring occasionally until mixture begins to thicken. Chill until firm.

Serves: 4

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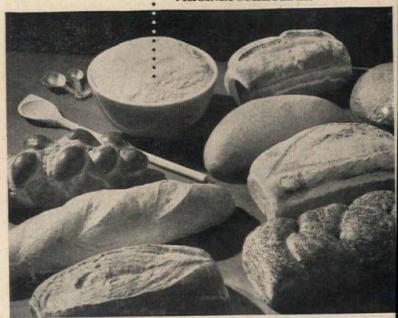
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YEAST BREAD SECRETS

VIRGINIA SCHROEDER



HOW CAN I TELL WHEN the dough has doubled in size?

When the dough seems almost double, poke two fingers deep into the side of the dough. If the hole fills up rapidly, let the dough rise for a longer time. If the dent remains or fills in just a little bit, the dough should be "double in bulk."

... I have added enough flour?

If a range of flour is given, add half of the flour, beat until smooth, then add more flour until the dough begins to clean the sides of the bowl and can be handled.

WHAT IS WRONG WHEN . . .

... I get dough lumps in my bread?

Either the dough was not covered or it was not greased during rising. In either case, the top dries and pieces of this dry crust are carried through the dough during kneading.

... my bread has dark streaks?

The bowl was greased too heavily and the grease was mixed in as the dough was kneaded.

... my bread sinks in the pan in the oven?

The bread had risen too much and was too light . . . there was no more strength left in it for the last bit of rising in the oven.

... my bread is heavy and solid?

To avoid this trouble, let bread rise to double its size before kneading and shaping. Kneading and shaping will reduce size, so before baking, again let it rise to double its size.

HOW CAN I . . .

... get my dough to rise in winter?

Place the covered bowl of dough on a rack over a bowl or pan half full of hot water, or place it on top of an oven that is in use—provided the top isn't hot. If the top gets hot, place a board under the bowl.

... get a tender crust on my bread?

Remove the bread from pans as soon as you take it from the oven. Brush the top with shortening for a tender crust. If a crisp crust is desired, do not grease—and cool on a rack uncovered.



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- ⅓ cup processed cheese spread (American, smoke or Roquefort flavor)
- 2 tablespoons DEL MONTE Catsup
- 2 small tomatoes (about 2 inches in diameter)

To cheese spread, add catsup; mix with fork till smooth. Hollow out tomatoes; fill with cheese mixture; chill. Mix meat, onion, salt (add the chopped tomato centers if desired). Form into 4 steaks about 1 in. thick.

1½ lbs. ground beef 2 tablespoons grated onion 1½ teaspoons salt 1 can (1 lb. 1 oz.) DEL MONTE Carly Gurdon Brand Peas

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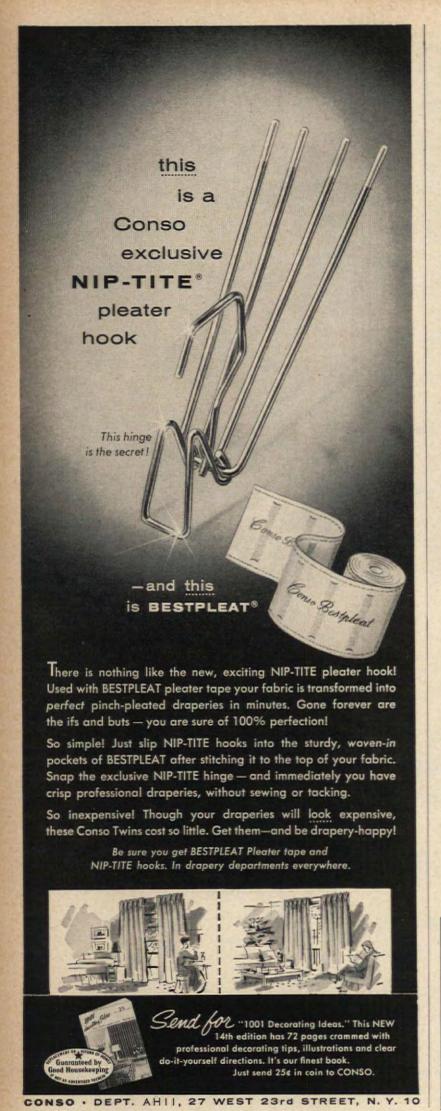
CHIP OFF THE BEEF



thipped beef, dried beef, smoked beef—by any name, those wafer-thin slices of smoky goodness are wonderfully tasty, economical, and versatile. It's easy to keep several jars on the shelf, ready for emergency use. Or buy in the bulk for budget-planned menus. Here is a roundup of good eating ideas using chipped beef. You're bound to find several favorites among them.

- Broil separated slices of chipped beef, place them atop a casserole of creamed potatoes, and decorate this main dish with a border of sieved egg yolk.
- Add sautéed coconut and a touch of curry powder to creamed chipped beef. Serve on fluffy rice or noodles with a green vegetable on the side.
- Add frizzled chipped beef to a pimiento cheese sauce in a casserole. Top with a generous amount of coarsely-crumbed potato chips and bake at 350°F. for 30 minutes.
- Sauté torn chipped beef and quartered firm bananas in bacon drippings. Serve piping hot with baked potatoes and a vegetable.
- Lay a generous layer of torn chipped beef on a buttered toast slice. Top with a slice of tomato and a slice of cheese. Brown until cheese is melted and slightly browned.
- Add torn chipped beef to a potato or macaroni salad. Serve either hot or cold for Sunday night supper. Complete your menu with a green salad and hot rolls.
- Add torn chipped beef to creamed celery and serve in split baked potatoes. Sprinkle chopped chives over the top. (Scrub the potatoes before baking so you can eat the skins, too.)
- Roll large drained oysters in large slices of chipped beef, skewering them with toothpicks. Place in a broiling pan and dot with butter. Pour on a mixture of ¼ cup oyster liquid, ¼ cup catsup, and season with Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper. Broil about 20 minutes, or until curly but not crisp.
- Add chipped beef to pancake or waffle batter and serve with butter or syrup. Or for a heartier dish, top the waffles with more creamed chipped beef.
- Mix torn chipped beef into potato cakes made of left-over, seasoned mashed potatoes. Add a little egg with the chipped beef. Flour and fry cakes in a small amount of fat, or bake them in the oven. The results: delicious!







Originally, mirror covered center window in this bedroom, and blinds were used on side windows for privacy. Drapery and curtain setup was attractive, but certainly not unusual. Swinging skirt on dressing table was an idea worth keeping, the owner felt.



QUITE A **FACE-LIFTING**

Terna Yocum of Tucson, Arizona, liked her bedroom pretty well the way it was, but felt it could have an even smarter appearance. So she gave it a face lifting. The window treatment is the main change. Down came the blinds, And down came the big mirror (there's a full-length one in the adjoining bath). Now the three windows are framed with a wide cornice, the lower half decorated with smart café curtains on a brass rod. Curtains are a lovely silk print, coordinated with new dressing-table skirt.

Grass cloth replaces the wallpaper. And, to soften the light (the windows look into a sunny garden) and give complete privacy, windows are covered outside with bamboo blinds fitted tight against the glass. This window treatment is practical way to filter light.

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Push-button Dogs?

(Begins on page 64)

4. LESS FUEL CONSUMPTION. This, to anyone who has coped with a dog any larger than a cocker spaniel, speaks for itself. Where are those small white pills equaling a three-course meal that we used to hear rumors about?

UNWINDING MECHANISM WITH 10-YEAR GUARANTEE. There should be a little key somewhere that will unwind the dog so his sleeping hours will coincide at least a little with yours. And perhaps, by unwinding only halfway, you could lessen his frenzied passion for chasing cars and vacuum cleaners.

There are other useful features that could be gradually incorporated into later dog models. For example, an instruction booklet should come with every dog. I do not mean by this an instruction booklet for the owner. I mean one for the dog. This is a tip that applies equally well to all manufacturers of elaborate gadgets. People who understand machines will understand them whether instructed or not. For the rest of us, it would be much simpler if the machines were to understand us. They may be smarter anyhow. And this goes even more strongly for dogs, because they are not machines and therefore even the people who understand machines are

Many features of the current dog should, by all means, be retained. These include the built-in love, the perpetual-motion tail wagging, and that touch of feeble-mindedness that makes a dog like to chase things and fetch them back to be thrown again.

Of course, it is probably futile to write these recommendations. The dog-breeding industry is entirely monopolized by dogs and shows every sign of staying that way. And dogs. it is evident, are extremely conservative about these things.

But that doesn't worry me, really, because my suggestions are entirely altruistic. I wouldn't trade in my used-model dog anyway. He has a certain sentimental value. THE END





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Family Meals

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or if it must be a little late, give him a late-afternoon snack to "tide him over." You can make an exception maybe one or two nights a weel when Dad knows he will be late get ting home, or when some specia program or date makes a blue-plate special practical. Dad's plate can b kept warm in the oven.

It might even be a treat, one o two nights, to serve blue-plate spe cials on trays. But none of this run ning back and forth snatching extra bits, or juggling a plate in one hand and a roll or piece of buttered breain the other!

Children need the love that can h radiated when the family gather around the dinner table in the eve ning. It's a treat to watch Dad cary the meat-and you're more likely see clean plates all around. Try and see!

The dining-table need not alway wear its Sunday or company dres but it should be impeccably neat an set in an orderly fashion. Every me should begin and end pleasantl Each person should be encouraged tell what happened to him during th day that was interesting or comica The dinner table is no place for arguments or scoldings. Handle misde meanors at some other time.

And all members of the famil should be given some attention durin the course of the meal-no fair hea ing about the prom dance through the entire meal and missing out of that first home run.

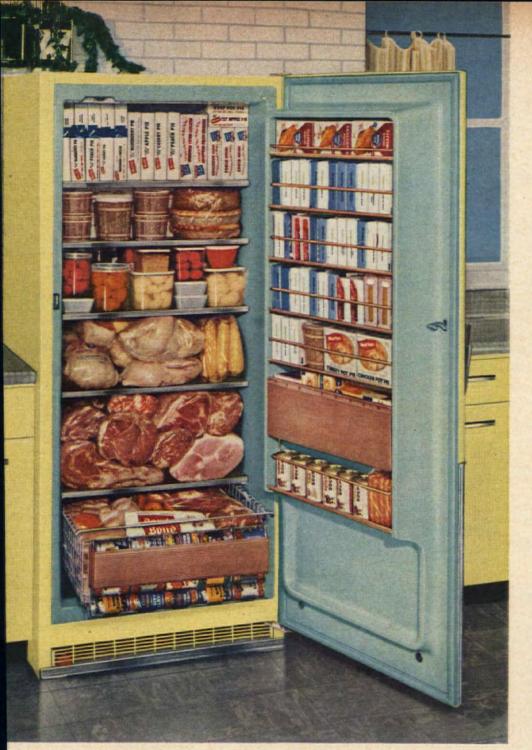
Once this family-style meal hab is formed, and pleasant conversation encouraged, everyone will look for ward to the evening meal. Your ki will learn more at the family dinn table than they'll ever learn with blue-plate special in front of a T screen.

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An open letter from one of our readers:

cry 23, 1956

It's washday again, and again I'm in the midst of a silent que en have to drag dirty clothes from the bedro all men who design home through olean living rooms, dining rooms, and kitchens? me thing when I olean kitchen grease thing wrong with me because I like to cook and do dishes, out of my kitchen as soon as possible? Or that I don't like children playing under my feet while I cook? Or that I like to

We agree, Mrs. Mason, women don't have to drag dirty clothes from the bedroom and bathroom . . . through clean rooms. On the next few pages we solve your problem about WHERE TO PUT THE LAUN-DRY: Upstairs, or in the bedroom wing of a one level house . . . either in the bathroom, hallway, or closet . . . OR downstairs in the kitchen, utility room, basement, garage-or even in the carport if you live in a mild climate. Laundries can go anywhere . . . it's up to you, but first . . .

TURN THE PAGE

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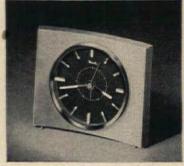
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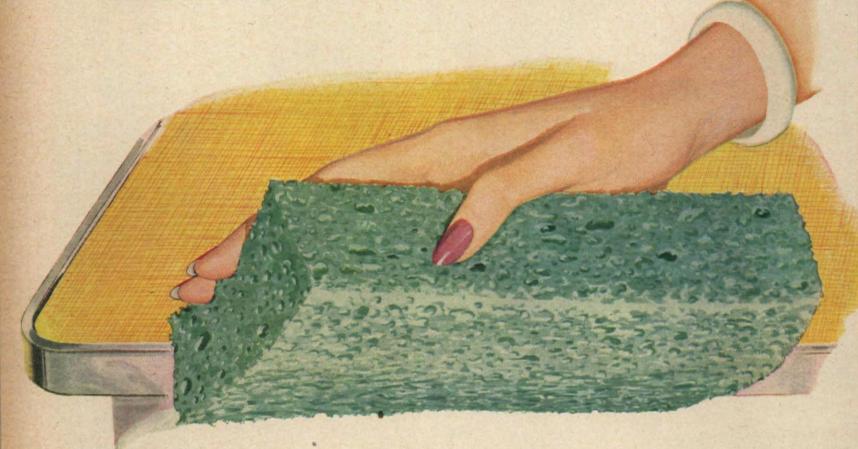
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-and so nice to use!

BEFORE YOU PLAN THAT LAUNDRY



Give it some thought! Planning your laundry room or laundry area can make the big difference between calling your laundering a CHORE or a PLEASURE. And the "same old pace" does have a "change in space" nowadays. Long ago the laundry was in the basement, but it's come up a long way. Now you might find it in almost any room. Try these ideas and hints.



KNOW THESE FACTS

Put your laundry anywhere—but first become familiar with these basics about plumbing and installation! Beyond that point, the rest is up to your vivid imagination and good common sense!

- . Be sure plumbing and venting connections can be made easily . . . without long, too-costly pipe runs.
- e. Install equipment as close to hot water line as possible. Plenty of hot water is a must.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT:

THE WASHER

- . What size is it? (see Planning Guide on page 119).
- . It needs hot and cold water.
- . It needs a drain.
- . Needs own 110/115-volt circuit (must have grounding wire for safety).

THE DRYER

- 1, Electric dryer needs 220/230-volt circuit (110/115 volts on some, but drying time is about twice as long).
- 2. Gas dryer needs supply lines and 110/115-volt circuit for motor, lights.
- 3. Vent most dryers to the outside. In some cases room vent fan adequate.
- 4. If the dryer or combination has a condensing system for the removal of heat, lint and moisture, provide cold water supply and drain.

THE WATER HEATER

- 1. Locate near place where most of hot water is to be used.
- 2. Be sure capacity is large enough for family use.
- 3. Flue connection, supply lines are needed for gas-fired water heater.
- 4. Electric water heater needs own 220/230-volt circuit.

THE IRONE

- 1. In planning space, check size of ironer when open.
- 2. It needs only a 110/115-volt circuit.



THIS CHECKLIST IS IMPORTANT

VATER SUPPLY must be adequate, of sufficient pressure, both cold and ot, softened if necessary.

AUNDRY SINKS used to be called laundry tubs and trays! And we're not high falutin" either . . . you can still call them that if you want to! New aundry sinks are sleek in design . . . nice metal cabinets, some with stainess steel bowls; porcelain enamel ones or light-weight laminated plasticlass fiber. Some have storage cabinets underneath.

DEQUATE LIGHTING AND WIRING are most essential.

ENTILATION is recommended to keep room free from heat and moisure. Plan to include a ventilating fan.

INS located below counter, individual hampers or portable baskets are nusts for soiled laundry. Be sure they're perforated for air circulation.

ANGE OR HOT PLATE for heating water, starch, stain removal, helpful.

VALLS should be light in color, moisture-proof and washable.

LOORS should be non-absorbent, resilient, non-slippery, easily cleaned.

DO THESE THINGS!

orting, mending, stain removal, washing, drying, sprinkling, ironing and toring are laundry essentials. Keep supplies needed for each activity tored near that spot.

WORK CENTERS IN A LAUNDRY? Why not? You plan your kitchen that way! Four centers will do the trick. In planning laundry work centers, be sure to arrange the equipment to save steps and assure a smooth flow of work.

1. THE PREPARATION CENTER, for work prior to actual washing, is important enough to deserve adequate space. Here you sort and mend and remove stains. Ample counter or table space with a sink, tub, range, hot plate or sewing machine, is desirable. Plan storage space for supplies.

2. THE WASHING CENTER . . . the automatic washer or conventional washing machine takes full burden here. Be sure your washing machine has adequate drainage or is near a tub which will accommodate a drain hose. If it is the conventional type, plan for an extra tub for rinsing.

3. THE DRYING CENTER will accommodate your electric or gas dryer, as

4. THE IRONING CENTER is where you store and use the automatic ironer, ironing board and hand iron. Provide a place to hang ironed garments; a table for sprinkling and for receiving ironed articles; a sponge to moisten articles that dry during ironing.

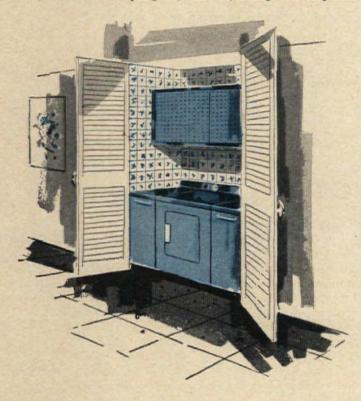
well as a space for indoor drying if you have no dryer.

AND DON'T FORGET, YOU MIGHT WANT THESE: a radio, TV, telephone, planning desk, sewing center or at least a sewing basket for mending.

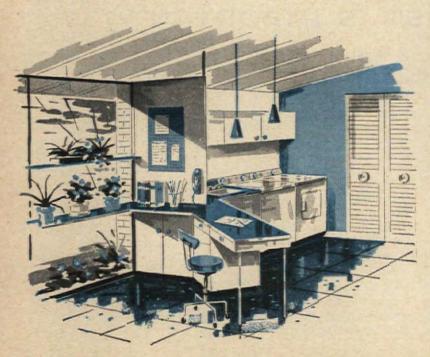


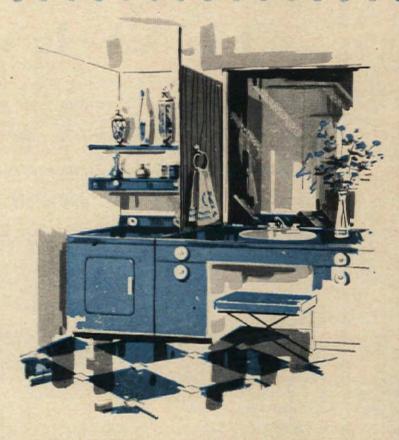
WHERE TO PUT THE LAUNDRY

IN A CLOSET OR EVEN A HALLWAY . . . usually centrally located between bedrooms, bath and kitchen. This unusual but sensible location proves that modern home laundry equipment is compact; automatically eliminates muss and fuss. This placement is excellent for combination washerdryer. Some washers and dryers can even be stacked one upon the other. Cabinets above and to side are convenient. Can be concealed by regular, louvered, sliding door or panels.

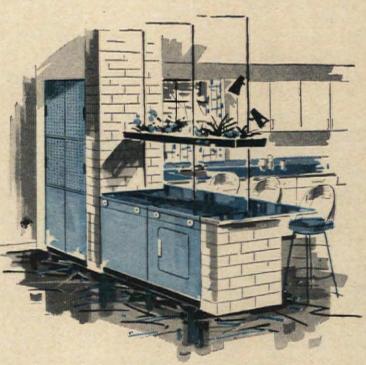


IN A HOBBY OR SEWING ROOM . . . this makes step-saving good sense and helps to combine several activities for convenience and entertainment. Could also be a utility room with place for cleaning supplies. In a recent survey by the AMERICAN HOME and at the Housing Conference in Washington, most women requested laundries in a special room.





IN THE BATHROOM... it is centrally located near the spot where most soiled clothes and linen accumulate. Plumbing connections are convenient; smooth surface of walls and floors is easy to care for; ventilation is usually provided. Using your dryer or combination as a hamper can be a space-saver.



IN THE KITCHEN... ideal because it is located near plumbing connections. You can keep an eye on cooking and laundering at the same time. Try separating kitchen and laundry areas by an island, peninsula or special divider. A divider cabinet, built high enough, can conceal laundry equipment behind closed doors.



HOW TO DRAW A LAUNDRY PLAN

Now please don't think you have to be an engineer or a draftsman to draw your own laundry plan! Here is everything you need to help you plan the laundry you've dreamed about . . . do it yourself!

YOU WILL NEED

A Rigid Measuring Tape, steel or wood. Cloth kind may shrink.

Graph or Blocked Paper that is scaled 1/2" to the foot or marked in measurements that work into this scale. This is an easy scale to use.

A Sharp Pencil.

American Home Laundry-Planning Guide and Scaled Ruler (below).

TAKING MEASUREMENTS

- 1. Draw a rough, general floor plan.
- 2. To make scaled drawing, take measurements first; put these on rough plan.
- 3. Take accurate measurements for fitting in cabinets and laundry equipment.
- 4. Measure each wall at counter height (36" above floor), from corner to corner.
- 5. Take measurements from corner to window. Measure window including trim. Do same for doors; measure each wall this way.
- 6. Include location and measurements of radiators, registers, offsets enclosing pipes and chimneys.

NOW MAKE YOUR SCALED DRAWING

50 GAL. TABLE

HEATER. (30-40

30 GAL.

(RECTANGULAR WATER

TOP WATER

GAL. SLIGHTLY SMALLER)

- 1. Use your American Home Laundry-Planning Guide.
- 2. First locate washer, dryer, ironer or ironing area in logical sequence.
- 3. Next draw in cabinets. (See American Home Kitchen Planning Guide. September, 1956.) This floor plan will indicate base cabinets first.

Now dot in wall cabinets over base cabinets.

- 4. Don't be afraid to change your plan several times. That's what the guide is for. Check to see if a structural change might give a better plan.
- 5. Note floor-to-ceiling height, and distance from floor to bottom of window sill. Write this information beside your

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laundry plan and take it with you when you go to your dealer. It will assist him in helping you to select the right cabinets and equipment, and will help in installation.

- For your convenience in Kitchen and Laundry Planning, we have compiled a booklet containing reprints of:
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- 2. Laundry Planning article and cut-out guide (this issue).
- 3. "Eight Ways to Finance Your Kitchen" (July 1954).

Send 25¢ (no stamps, please) to:

Dept. KLP American HOME Magazine, Forest Hills 75, N. Y. As an extra, we'll include with booklet a list of manufacturers of kitchen cabinets, kitchen and laundry equipment.

help you plan. This guide is a scaled outline of laundry appliances and equipment to help you draw a floor plan. We suggest you paste the guide and ruler on heavy paper.

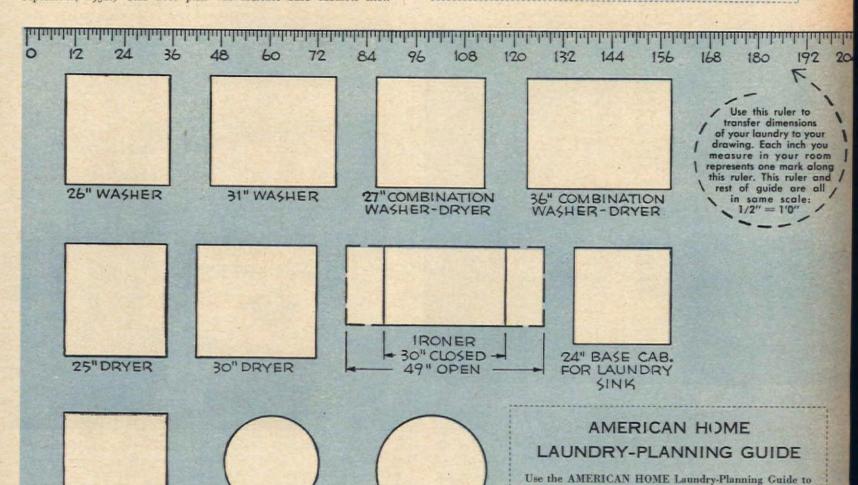
Cut out appliances and equipment from the guide with a

single-edged razor. Then place the guide on paper and use

it as a stencil in making plans. Throw away cut-out pieces.

(Some products may vary slightly from these general

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See "Where Credit Is Due," page 154



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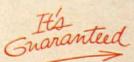


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MORE LAUNDRY HOW-TO'S ON PAGE 124

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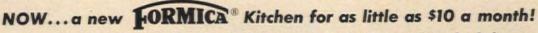




Bob was strictly lukewarm on the idea of modernizing my kitchen with Formica. He kept putting me off until I had to fall back on every woman's best weapon-psychology.

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Laundry

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Comfort Rate Your House

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and storm doors and windows after the house is finished. In Minnesota, where winters are quite severe. six times as much cold air will infiltrate a house with no weatherstripping as compared with one that has weatherstripping. Weatherstripping will reduce your over-all fuel bills by as much as 25 per cent.

What do you do about cold walls? Install plenty of insulation. Uninsulated walls get as cold as 50° on the inside surfaces-too cold for comfort. A little insulation will keep them above 60°. An adequate job-and this calls for wall-thick insulation in the North-will keep walls above . Insulation is also needed overhead to keep the ceilings warm. If your house was built with minimum insulation, a contractor can blow loose fill into your outside walls. You can also fill between open joists in basement ceiling and attic floor.

Incidentally, insulation plays a reverse role by keeping you cool in summer. Sun heat pouring down on a house in July eventually seeps through to warm up walls, and especially the ceiling. These hot surfaces throw an astonishing amount of heat.

What About Windows?

Like walls, window surfaces get cold in winter, too. This is particularly true if the window is just a single sheet of glass, and if it's exposed to cold north winds. The cold glass absorbs body heat just as cold walls do.

The best remedy? Use storm sash or double-glass windows. Insulating glass is made of two sheets separated by a dead-air space. Such glass reduces cold penetration by about 50 per cent, compared with single glass. The glass stays warmer, you can sit nearer the window without being chilled, and cold drafts don't form at the window.

What About the Sun?

Are there other ways to increase the comfort rating of your house? Yes, and one of the best, though still least appreciated, is heat from the sun. This solar heat is both free and widely abundant. Even in winter, the amount of sunshine falling on a house contains five to ten times more heat energy than the furnace can produce. Sun heat is strong enough to keep the interior warm all day in the middle of winter without the heating plant going on.

So if you're building or remodeling, plan properly for solar heat. Locate rooms with large windows on the south side. Glass areas on the cold north should be kept to a minimum. Best location for the all-important kitchen is usually on the southeast where it will receive plenty of bright, early-morning sunshine in winter, but no broiling afternoon sun in summer.

You will naturally want maximu sunshine to pour inside in winter, h little or none in summer. This is what architects call proper orientationterm that refers to the compass dire tion the various walls and window face. Research at the University California shows that a proper oriented house will receive four tim more solar heat in winter than summer. If the same house were but with the worst possible orientatio it would receive nine times more sol heat in summer than in winter becaus

- · A south-facing wall or window ceives almost five times more s heat in winter than in summer.
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Heating is the final important co fort factor to consider. This is a should be, for the heating engin cannot plan good heating until all the other considerations already m tioned are fitted into place.

Sound construction is necessar Since heat always flows from hot cold, much of the heat genera seeps out continuously through house shell. If there were no l loss, you could heat a house wit candle and stay reasonably warm.

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African Violets

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From this quartet of ideas, your imagination may well take off on a dozen flights that promise to help the decor of your own home.

While the decorators among houseplant fans have been finding new ways to use African violets esthetically, the horticulturists have been finding new ways to grow them scientifically, and the collectors have found new ways to pack 'em in!

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In all the history of American horticulture there's never been anything like African violets to win enthusiasts and to influence indoor gardening.

All right, how do you grow themthe best and the easiest way?

• First of all, give them the kind of light they need. A window that gets morning sun seems to be ideal. A south or west window may mean too much direct sun except in midwinter. You can make either one perfectly suitable, though, by using a light curtain or tilting the slats of a venetian blind just a little.

African violets usually grow well and flower satisfactorily in a north window that's completely unobstructed. But they might not bloom quite so profusely as in brighter spots.

To keep the plants growing evenly, turn the pots a quarter-turn once a week. Otherwise they'll be drawn to one side by the light. Also, if you grow them in several windows, shift them around occasionally so they all get a turn in the best light.

· Watering is the next most important factor in growing African violets. They won't grow well and won't flower much if they're bone dry for days before you remember to water them. On the other hand, they'll almost certainly develop crown-rot if you keep them continuously soggywet.

In general, too little water is better than too much. But they'll do their best only if it's just right most of the time-slightly moist, not dry, not wet.

Until you get to "know" your plants, always test the soil surface with your finger before watering. If it's dry, water; if it's not, don't.

You can water African violets either by slipping the slim spout of a watering can under the leaves to



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avoid wetting them (water may injure the leaves), or by standing the pots in an inch or so of water until the surface becomes moist. Don't stand them in water for more than half an hour, however.

• Feed the plants every two or three weeks by adding soluble plant food to the water. Follow the directions on the package, and don't try to be generous. Twice as much isn't necessarily twice as good-it may in fact kill your plants.

• The kind of soil they like is of fairly light, humus-like texture. You can make it by mixing together equal quantities of garden topsoil, peatmoss, and sand.

The plants retain a more attractive appearance if kept to a single crown-that is, if no side shoots are allowed to develop. You can remove side shoots easily while they're small by gently poking them off with the point of a pencil.

You can usually root these side shoots, and thus grow new plants from them, if you insert them in a pot of moist sand, vermiculite, or sphagnum moss. Stand the pot in your African violet window and it'll only take a month or so.

In good light, carefully watered, and grown at the temperature of the average home. African violets aren't often troubled by insects or diseases. It's well to know symptoms, though, when anything goes wrong.

Hard, twisted leaves at the center of the plant mean an infestation of mites. Push sodium selenate capsules into the soil. Poison is absorbed by the plant and kills these microscopic pests which feed on the plant juices. Cottony flecks on the stems or leaves are mealybugs. Kill them by touching each bug with a cotton-tipped toothpick dipped in rubbing alcohol. Avoid touching the leaves or stems.

Wilting of the whole plant, though the soil is moist, means crown-rot has set in. You can't save the whole plant, but usually you can save the top by re-rooting it to make a new plant. Cut through the main stem with a razor blade, well above the rotted area, remove the lower leaves, and insert the stem in a clean pot of fresh soil or sand. If necessary to keep it steady in the pot, stick a few toothpicks between the leaves and into the soil. In a month or so the plant will be off to a new start. And this time don't overwater it!

Curiously, these ailments do more good than harm. By aiming to avoid them, and doing so, you get the lift that skillful plant culture always provides. This actually helps African violets to "get" you! THE END

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MASTER-MINDED MIXING

ntrance to left of dining area is painted light beige color. Window wall papered a venetian-blind pattern in cocoa, rown and beige colors adds much disnction to living and dining areas, and omplements louvered doors that lead to e family room. This example shows hat a decorative wallpaper (even on one all) can do to give a room that certain air. Other walls in a cocoa color are scellent background for modern blond rniture. Draperies of unbleached musn, trimmed with brown-ball fringe, e unlined. They make simple, inexpenve and pleasing treatment for these winows. A beige rug and "just right" accesries tie the unit together in good taste.

alls here are painted a cocoa color too raperies in a natural color, with design shades of brown, hang either side of the lit-bamboo blinds. Drapery fabric was scontinued pattern, and a bargain buy attan furniture is covered in this same attern. Oriental table, rug, rare old ock, and most of accessories came with e family from Japan. Colonel and Mrs. rodonovich relax in this pleasant room ith son Timothy, who is eight years old.



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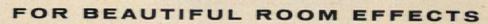
ast month we took you into the Kurtz home in this same New Jersey development. This time we'd like you to meet their neighbors, Colonel and Mrs. George Prodonovich.

The exterior of this house is much like the Kurtzes'—and all the others in the development. But there the similarity ends. Open the door, and you'll see how completely individual this home is.

Actually, it is an expanded version of the neighboring houses, for the Prodonoviches have three children and decided to add two more bedrooms. And then they combined the original kitchen with an adjoining bedroom of original plan to make a living-kitchen or all-purpose room. There the kids can study, play games or watch television while mother prepares meals in the kitchen end of the room. CONTINUED ON PAGE 133



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Master-Minded Mixing

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Colonel Prodonovich is stationed now at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey, but he served in Massachusetts and Japan before coming here. So the family's furnishings (which travel with them) are a mixture of Oriental, American provincial and modern. You're not conscious of this, however, since they have all been assembled with thought and good taste. Mrs. Prodonovich has a natural flair for combining colors, and this helps just as much in coordinating and producing satisfactory home-furnishing results as it does in putting together your wardrobe.

Mrs. Prodonovich is a busy housewife—what with her husband and three active children—but has found time to make all the curtains, draperies and slipcovers. In addition, she makes all of her own clothing and most of the children's. A remnant counter in a department store and discontinued fabric patterns at bargain prices have a magnetic attraction for her. She not only finds this way of shopping exciting and enjoyable, but rewarding financially.

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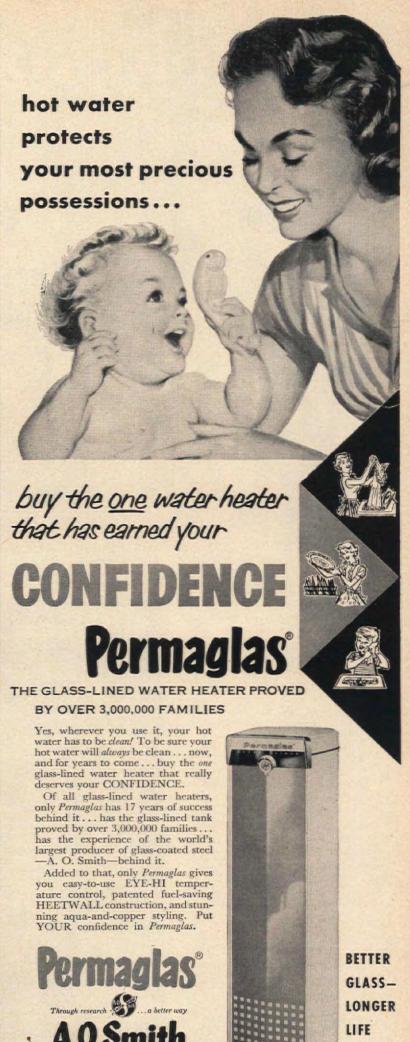
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In the living kitchen, Timothy does homework along with sisters Pam, who is 10, and Ginnie, 6. Mom's available to lend a hand when needed. In this room, walls are bright green and linoleum is brown.



Dramatic quilted cover on black lacquer bed in master bedroom was made by Mrs. Prodonovich's sister. Cherry chests and tables are rich contrast to lime-green walls. Muslin curtains luxuriously ruffled.



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uring the past few years, windows have taken on new dimensions. You find picture windows that are great vertical or horizontal rectangles . . . you even find entire walls of glass. And recently you've seen the return of the bay window. Curtaining or draping these expanses is a two-fold problem: they require fabrics that will withstand exposure to sun, heat and moisture; and the treatment must fit as well with the exterior view of your home as it does with the interior scheme. A number of new fibers have been developed that-alone or in combination-give fabrics desired stability, make possible such interesting double-exposure treatments as we show here.

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On the inside, draperies at right look exactly as they do from the outside. Rod is positioned to expose inner frame at top. Shaped straps are buttoned down to flat pleats which look the same from either view; Wamsutta's tweedy acetate rayon fabric looks the same on both sides. Could be as attractive done with two colors used back-to-back.

A brass rod wider than French door (above) permits curtains to be pushed completely out of the way to open doors. Each section of curtain is manipulated by clever brass rod sewn to inner edge of curtain. By framing the printed material with solid fabric (both a combination of Fortisan and silk by Quaintance), height of door area is minimized.

White draperies (right) of soil-resistant, rough-textured Fortisan and acetate are lined with lime-green rayon satin. When tied back, green provides a pleasant accent. In dropped position, an expanse of the green screens room from outside viewers. Woven-stripe Fortisan, acetate and rayon café curtains also by Seneca form a dado under windows.

Companions in color, wide- and very narrow-striped fabrics (far right) by Cohn, Hall, Marx, have the same fiber content-rayon and Fortisan. Top band is formed by stretching fabric on both sides of valance. The lower band is also double-faced, but without stiffening. To it, the narrowstriped material is sewn in full gathers. Good viewing from either side.



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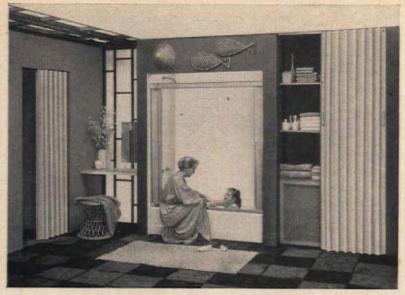
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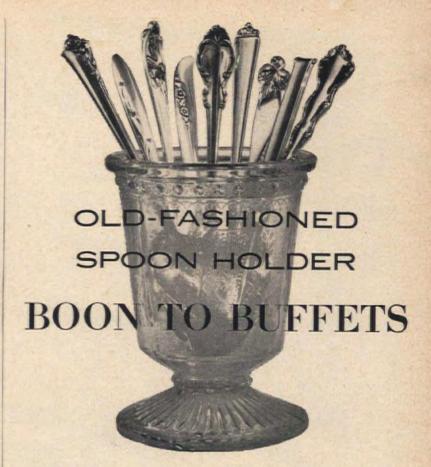


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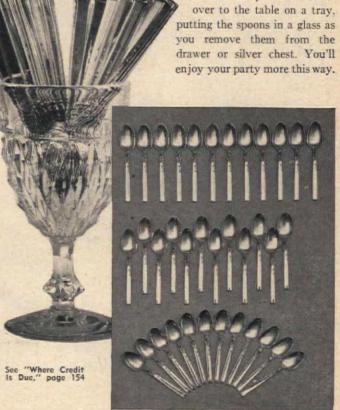
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1805. Mr. Lounsbury holds a beautifully engraved Terry's Patent double-barreled bolt-action percussion rifle of 1851—one that used a paper cartridge case. Note the fine sets of dueling pistols on the table, and the interesting pattern of pistols arranged by Mr. Lounsbury on the paneled walls of his upstairs gun room.

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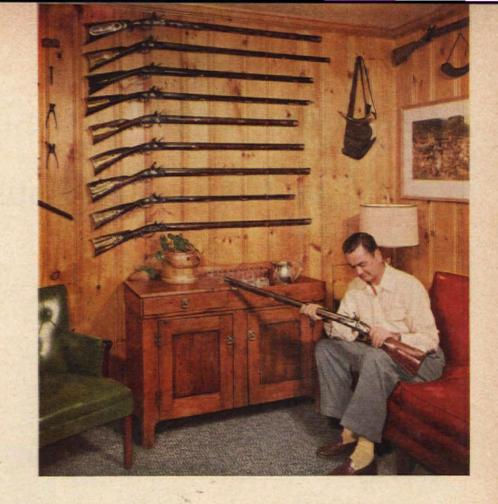
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And the collectors represented here have even more than the normal liking for arms. For these men are lured by the romance and history of guns, by the beauty, individuality and craftsmanship of fine weapons, by the fascinating mechanical developments, and by the comradeship among gun collectors. Not only are there numerous clubs for trading and talking, but most collectors welcome visits from strangers bitten with the same bug—to swap guns or just to bat the breeze. Once started, a collector can tell fascinating stories about his weapons, their historical significance, and his own adventures in ferreting them out.

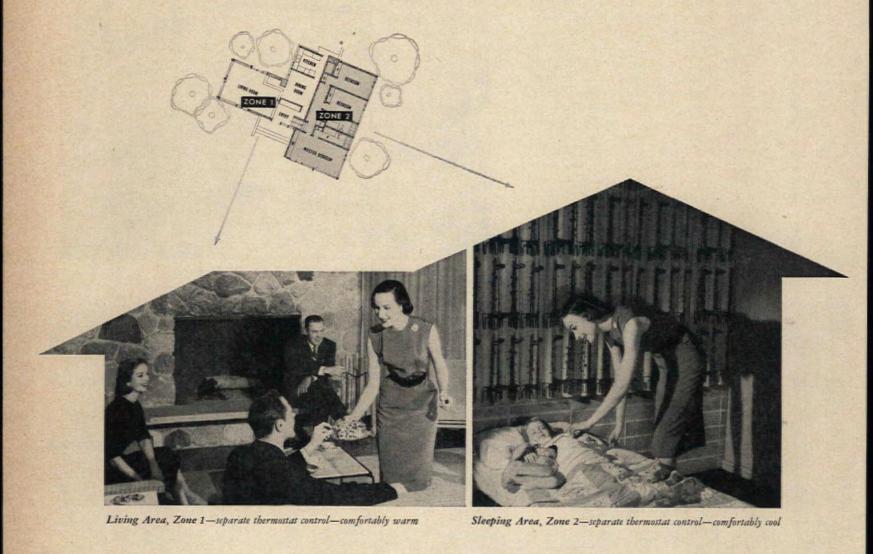
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• The large and varied collection of Webb Hilgar has been helped along by his vocation—he's a Master Gunsmith at one of Seattle's leading sporting goods stores, where he gets an occasional good lead and trade-in. His collection is nationally recognized as one of the largest and most comprehensive in the Pacific Northwest. He not only collects guns, but makes authentic repairs when needed, so every one of his 300 guns is in excellent condition. Here, in his special gun room, Webb loads a J. Henry Kentucky rifle, one of 33 he owns.

Mounted on the wall at right are his U.S. Martial arms, ranging from the currently used Garand rifle all the way back to a French Charleville musket stamped "U.S. 1776," a weapon used in the Revolutionary War and the prototype of the first American-made military arms. At the right of the window in the background is a group of American Martial pistols; and to the left, a collection of Remington handguns. Pistols on the left wall are all Smith & Wesson's; and above Webb's head you can see a few of his 135 powder flasks.

At right, pistols with accessories, in their original cases. Bottom row shows a Colt First Model Dragoon and an engraved 1851 Colt Navy. Next row holds a pair of Colt 1860 Army revolvers, a pair of all-metal Scottish Highlander pistols, and a pair of Flintlock pistols by E. Bond of London. Hilgar's collection of 171 Colts includes every model, excepting the famous Patterson revolver, but he does have a rare Patterson revolving shotgun made by Colt in 1836.





Weapons in this corner of John Lounsbury's gun room cover a wide historic and geographic range. From top to bottom: an Oriental Blunderbuss, a German Wheelock (circa 1570), a scarce English Military Wheelock (circa 1540), a German Wheelock hunting rifle inlayed with bone and ivory, a fine German Percussion sporting rifle, an 1851 Porter revolving rifle, and two 19th-century target rifles.



Civil War armory rack holds 25 of Webb Hilgar's pistols and 20 Civil War carbines. The shallow-drawered cabinet against the wall contains approximately 5000 different types of cartridges, and the pine gun cabinet at right holds Webb's modern hunting guns. He not only likes guns but uses them well—as shown by the skin of the 300-pound Black bear that he shot in Ontario, Canada.

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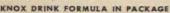
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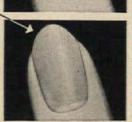
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• In spite of his youthful appearance, Dr. G. W. Huckaba of Memphis, Tennessee, is a 20-year veteran at collecting guns. One of his first acquisitions, his grandfather's Kentucky rifle, hangs on the wall. This rather short rifle was made by J. Fehr, of

Nazareth, Pennsylvania, around 1825. The gun the doctor is holding is a heavy Percussion target rifle made in the latter half of the 19th century by Peter Reinhard of Loudonville, Ohio. Attached to the front of the barrel is a false muzzle, used to help in loading the barrel. Target rifles of this type still hold their own against modern rifles and sometimes even surpass

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Dr. Huckaba's guns are displayed in a pine-paneled, sloping-roofed attic room. Leaning against the wall are several early pistols made with detachable stocks so that they could double as shoulder weapons. The glassed-in wall case with a perforated hardboard backing contains Smith & Wesson pistols including the earliest lever-action types. These were the first commercially-made American guns using manufactured cartridges.



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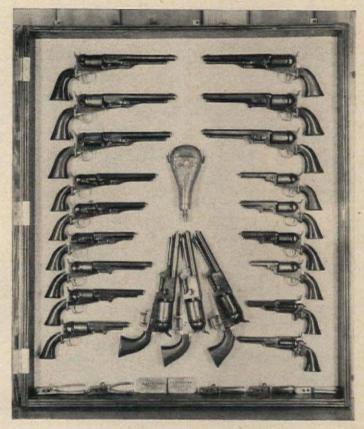


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them in competitive shooting. Although he owns a variety of guns, Dr. Huckaba, like many serious collectors, specializes in certain types of weapons. His primary interest is in Capand-Ball Colts, Smith & Wesson pistols made before World War II, and Percussion Derringers of Southern manufacture. Derringers are very small single shot Percussion pocket pistols of large caliber, often inlaid with silver, and beautifully made. John Wilkes Booth used a pistol of this type when he assassinated President Lincoln just after the close of the Civil War.



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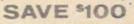
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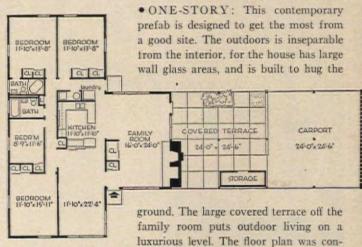




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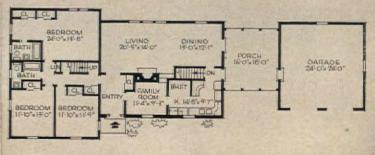
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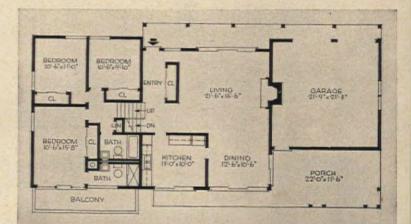
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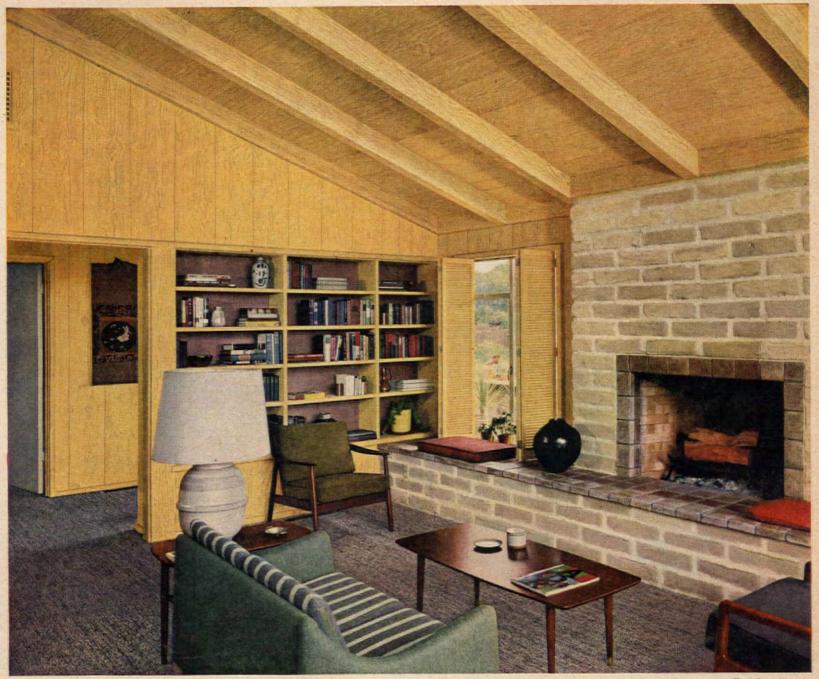




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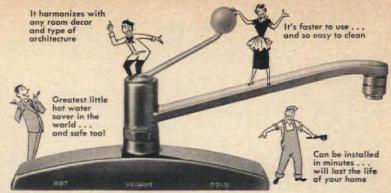


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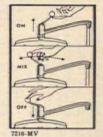
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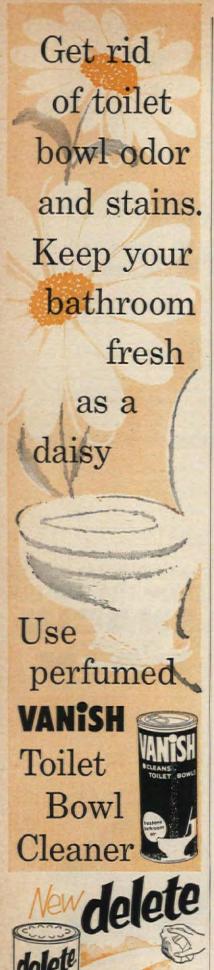
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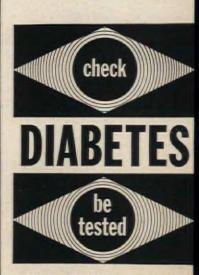
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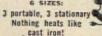






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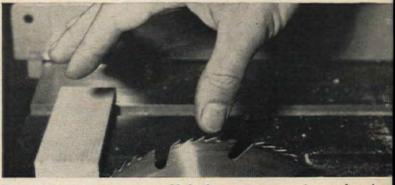




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Make a test pass or a "dry run" whe possible. On a lathe, spin work h hand before throwing switch. A tria turning of drill press shaft may veal you have forgotten to remove th chuck key which could cause an injury



Never reach across a running saw blade. One common error is to underestima how far your thumb hangs below the rest of your hand. With guard removed, cut-off piece could be propelled at the operator with the speed of a rif bullet. But don't think the guard is a cure-all. Danger of the guard is the it may lull operator into believing that caution is not always necessar



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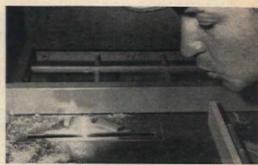
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• He's violating these rules: 1. Keep mind on work. 2, Ban children from shop. 3. Avoid loose clothes. 4. Use tool's guards. 5. Avoid alcohol. 6. Keep tool table clear. 7. Use a push stick for narrow work. 8. Allow saw blade to extend no more than ¼-inch above work. 9. Stand to one side of saw, not directly behind it.



Protect eyes with goggles or shatterproof safety glasses when drilling metal, chipping masonry, grinding tools, wire-brushing rust, doing overhead sawing or drilling. Wear goggles every time you use an abrasive wheel. A plastic face shield is satisfactory for woodworking operations only.



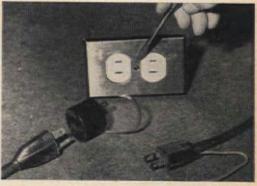
Never brush sawdust or chips off the saw table or jointer with fingers. Blow it away. For the heavier scraps, switch off motor, then use dusting brush. What's wrong with brushing litter away with hand when motor is off? Habit might make you absent-mindedly do the same at time when blade is turning.



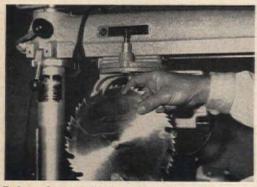
Danger of portable space heaters is that they may be knocked over. Spilled kerosene, flaming over shop litter, can quickly envelop you in disaster. But if you must use one, securely fasten it to the floor, and keep all combustible materials away. Portable heaters are illegal in many localities.



Good ventilation's especially important when you're spray painting. For spraying indoors or in close quarters, wear a mask to reduce danger of inhaled fumes. Be particularly wary of odorless paints. Don't let their lack of annoying odor deceive you into thinking that their fumes are not harmful.



Protect yourself against shock by grounding power tools. If current is supplied by metal-clad wiring, ground at plug-in outlet. (Left) 3-prong grounding plug fits into adapter that's grounded at outlet's plate screw. (Right) Pig-tail type ground slips into screw that replaces the original plate screw.



Before changing blades or adjusting a tool, turn switch OFF and pull out plug. Also, operate tools at the correct speed. You can't safely saw wood at the same speed you drill metal. Make sure direction of rotation of motor is right for the job you plan.



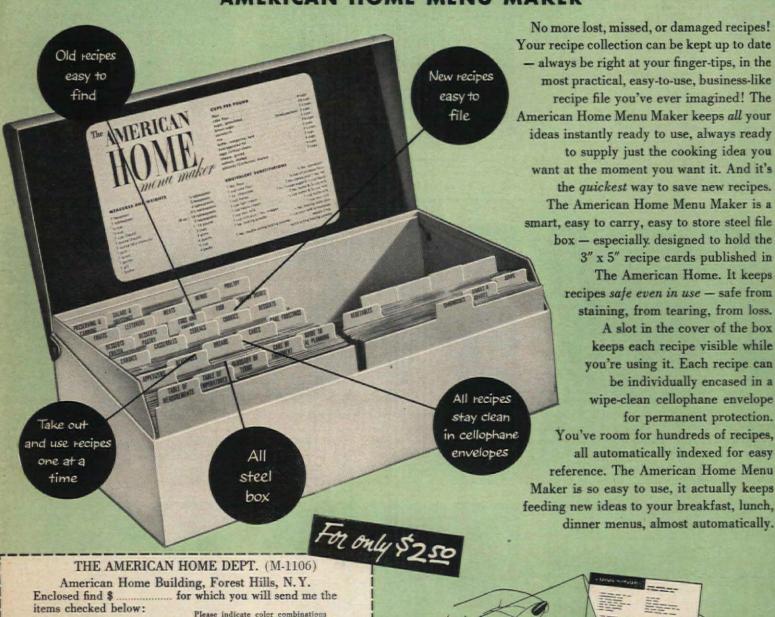
Rubber-soled shoes are a safeguard against slipping, and offer some protection against the shock hazard of a moist floor. However, rubber-soled shoes aren't foolproof guard against grounding, so don't use power tools in wet or cluttered places.



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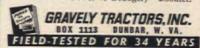
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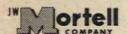


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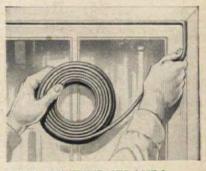


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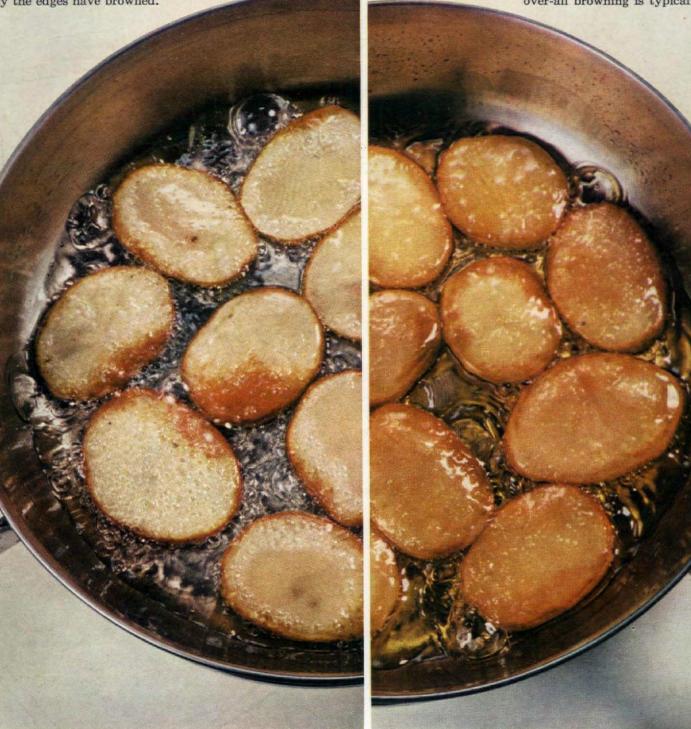


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