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PLUS MANY MORE ARTICLES OF INTEREST

They DREW their way from "Rags to Riches"

Now they're helping others do the same

By REX TAYLOR

ALBERT DORNE was a kid of the slums who loved to draw. He never got past the seventh grade. Before he was 13, he had to quit school to support his family. But he never gave up his dream of becoming an artist.

Although he was working 12 hours a day, he began to study art at home in his spare time. Soon he discovered that people were willing to pay good money for his drawings. At 19 he was well launched in the field of commercial art. By 22 he was earning \$500 a week. Dorne rose higher and higher—until he became probably the most fabulous money-maker in the history of advertising art.

Dorne's "rags to riches" story is not unique. Norman Rockwell left school when he was 15. Stevan Dohanos, famous cover artist, drove a truck and worked in a mill before turning to art. Harold Von Schmidt was an orphan at 5. Robert Fawcett, known as the "illustrators' illustrator," left school at 14. Austin Briggs, who struggled to support his family in a cold-water flat when he first broke into art, today lives in a magnificent contemporary home, over 100 feet long.

A plan to help others: Nearly ten years ago, these men gathered in Dorne's luxurious New York studio for a fateful meeting. With them were six other equally famous artists—Al Parker, Jon Whitcomb, Fred Ludekens, Ben Stahl, Peter Helck, John Atherton. Almost all had similar "rags to riches" backgrounds.

Dorne outlined to them a plan for sharing their good fortune with others. Dorne pointed out that artists were needed all over the country. And thousands of men and women wanted very much to become artists. What these people needed most was a convenient and effective way to master the trade secrets and professional know-how that the famous artists themselves had learned only by long, successful



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NORMAN ROCKWELL—this best-loved American artist left school at 15.

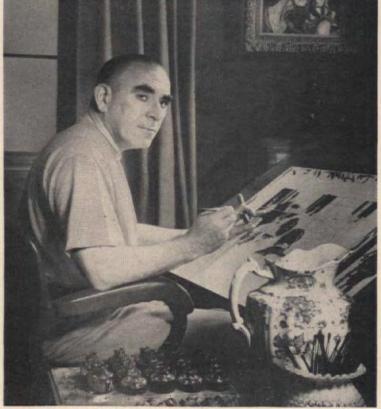


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ALBERT DORNE—one of the greatest money-makers in commercial art. From the window of his luxurious studio high above New York, Dorne can see the slum tenement where he once lived.

experience. "Why can't we," asked Dorne, "develop some way to bring this kind of top-drawer art training to anyone with talent...no matter where they live or what their personal schedules may be?"

The idea met with great enthusiasm. In fact, the twelve famous artists quickly buckled down to work-taking time off from their busy careers. Looking for a way to explain drawing techniques to students who would be thousands of miles away, they turned to the warborn methods of modern visual training. What better way could you teach the art of making pictures, they reasoned, than through pictures? They made over 5,000 drawings specially for the school's magnificent home study lessons. And after they had covered the fundamentals of art, each man contributed to the course his own special "hallmark" of greatness. For example, Norman Rockwell devised a simple way to explain characterization and the secrets of color. Jon Whitcomb showed how to draw the "glamour girls" for which he is world-famous. Dorne showed step-by-step ways to achieve animation and humor.

Finally, the men spent three years working out a revolutionary, new way to correct a student's work. For each drawing the student sent in, he would receive in return a long personal letter of

criticism and advice. Along with the letter, on a transparent "overlay," the instructor would actually draw, in detail, his corrections of the student's work. Thus there could be no misunderstanding. And the student would have a permanent record to refer to as often as he liked.

School is launched; students quickly succeed: Thus was born the Famous Artists Schools-whose campus is the U.S. mail, whose classrooms are the students' own homes and whose faculty is the most fabulous ever assembled in the history of art teaching. The school's activities started in a converted old barn in Westport, Conn. It grew rapidly. Today it occupies its own modern building and has 5,000 active students in 32 countries. The twelve famous artists who started the school as a labor of love still own it, run it, and are fiercely proud of what it has done for its students.

Don Smith is a good example. When he became a student three years ago, Don knew nothing about art, even doubted if he had talent. Today, he is an illustrator with a leading advertising agency in New Orleans.

Lillian Ashby—Canadian student—reports: "I'm losing count but believe I have painted 57 and sold 41 pictures since beginning your wonderful training."

John Busketta was a pipe-fitter's helper with a big gas company until he enrolled in the school. He still works for the same company—but now he is an artist in the advertising department, at a big increase in pay.

Elizabeth Merriss—busy housewife and mother—now adds to her family's income by designing gift wrappings and greeting cards, and illustrating children's books.

Donald Kern was a cowboy in Miles City, Montana, when he began his Famous Artists training. Now he paints portraits, sells them for as much as \$250 each, and gets all the business he can handle.

Gertrude Vander Poel had never drawn a thing until she enrolled. Now a swank New York gallery exhibits her paintings for sale.

"Where are the famous artists of tomorrow?" Dorne is not surprised at all by the success of his students. "Opportunities open to trained artists today are enormous," he says. "We continually get calls and letters from art buyers all over the U.S. They ask us for practical, welltrained students — not geniuses who can step into full-time or parttime jobs.

"I'm firmly convinced," Dorne goes on, "that many men and women are missing an exciting career in art simply because they hesitate to think that they have talent. Many of them do have talent. These are the people we want to train for success in art...if we can only find them."

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CATCH AS CATCH CAN

The cover on The American HOME for May shows your cover girl about to look out of her window with the aid of binoculars. To the right of the picture it says, "How to Marry Off Your Daughter."

That's a sneaky thing to do, but maybe at that it's better to use binoculars than a shotgun.

-VIRGINIA O. SUMNER

INSPIRATION FOR A MURAL



I have been subscribing to your magazine for many years, and while rereading some old issues recently I ran across an article entitled "Green is Her Hobby" in the March 1956 issue. After noticing the mural of an apple tree on the cover of that magazine and in that article, I painted a similar mural on the wall of a hallway in my home. The enclosed picture shows how effectively it's brightened the area.

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We regret that we have thus used the name of this artist and wish to make it clear that Grandma Moses had no connection with the material other than her interview appearing on these pages.

Readers' Exchange

(Begins on page 6)

KEEP THAT WARRANTY

I want to thank you and American HOME for all appliance manufacturers for the article on page 98 of the May issue, entitled "Don't Throw Those Warranties Away!"

On some appliances, according to our surveys, almost 35% of all service calls could be eliminated if users would keep and study their instruction books and familiarize themselves thoroughly with their warranties.

-W. B. CREECH

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Do you ever wonder what happens to the magazines you so generously give to "Magazines for Friendship," Occidental College, Los Angeles, U.S.A.? Well, the June 1954 issue of The American HOME is now in a beauty shop in Ankara-still in wonderful condition-and is eagerly read by Turkish, German, British, and American women, myself included.

I am quite interested now in this movement and would appreciate details in order that I may write my friends in the States and suggest the plan to them. Believe me, the American HOME was greatly enjoyed by everyone while I was in the shop and it is a wonderful magazine to portray the American way of living to others overseas. I missed this particular issue while I was stationed in Japan in -ELLEN A. MCDANIEL



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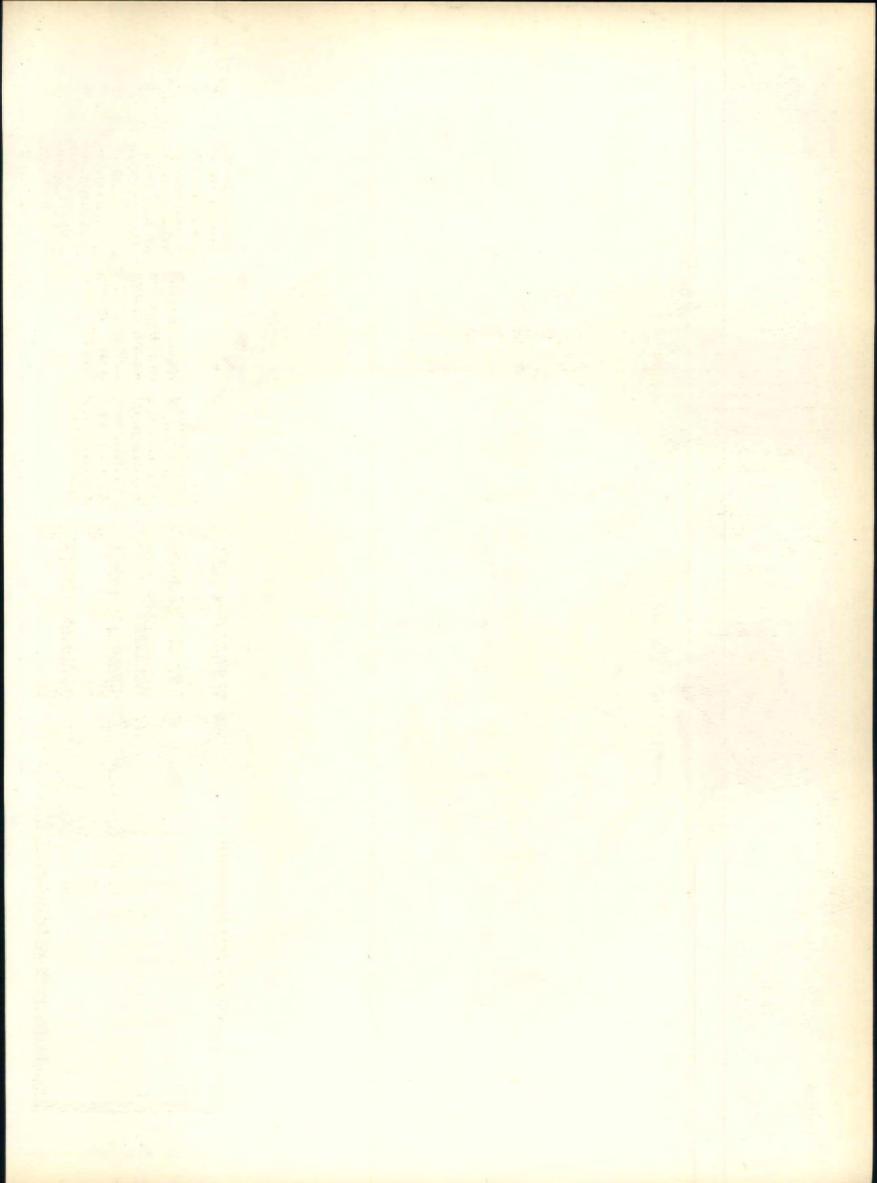
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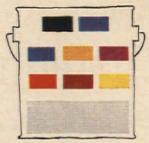
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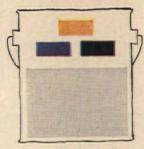


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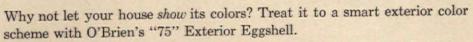




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In a sense, Reg and Marion Olds liked the antique furniture they had acquired from their families because it was good and fitted together to make a distinctive background. If they had collected the antiques themselves, if they had found this and added that as they could afford it, they would, probably, have prized each and every thing. As it was, they simply came by them, knew enough about antiques to appreciate their calibre and so used them, with taste. But they had never had the fun of furnishing their own house, never had the free hand to decide what they wanted and didn't want. It was as if when they established a home they had lost the principle of individuation and were merely a number in a series . . . a family series, where as a son and a daughter or grandchildren, they now had this and that of so-and-so's. Recently, they bought and moved into a house of their own choosing—contemporary in design rather than the traditional type they had before. Courageously, they disposed of practically all of their inherited possessions, and with the help of Decorator Harold Grieve, have furnished the house with new designs of furniture and accessories that go well with their new house.

The result is a great success! Although the house and furnishings are new and quite a departure from anything the Olds' had before, none of it looks newly acquired. The overall effect is a pleasant contemporary feeling rather than any attempt at carrying modern to harsh extremes. There is, as a matter of fact, an amazingly well-brought-together look about it that is well thought out, well-bred.

There are multitudes of people

like Reg and Marion Olds...

alike in that they secretly

resent inherited possessions.

But few, like the Olds,



have the courage to dispose of them
in mid-life for the fun of furnishing

their own house in



Mrs. Olds is an artist, and a good one, whose paintings have been shown in museums all over the country—the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, D.C., the last Biennia Exhibit at the Los Angeles County Museum and the Denver Museum just to name a few.

Mr. Olds is a manufacturer of fine musical instruments, is knowledge able about music, and is, naturally a hi-fi fan. Bassoon painting ove living room sofa, in the colors of the room, was painted by Mrs. Olds



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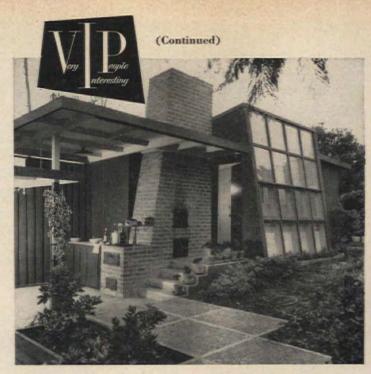
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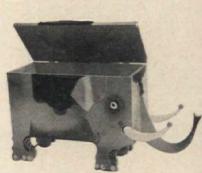




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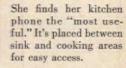
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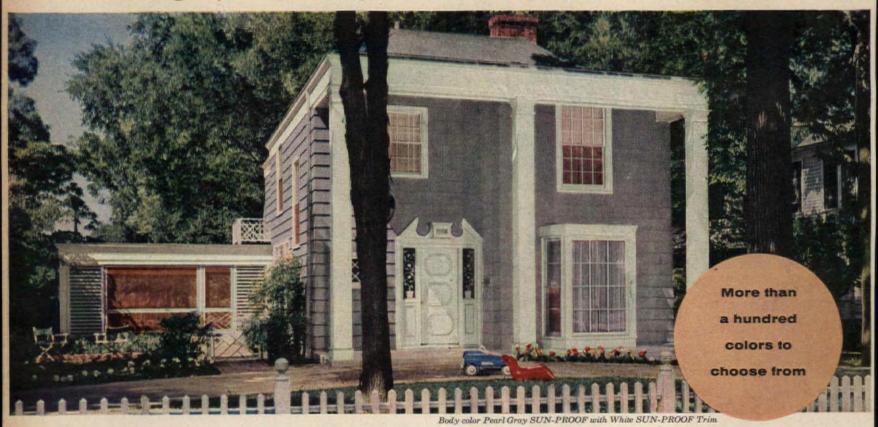
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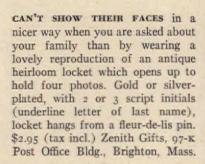
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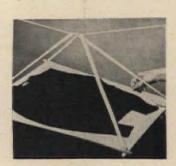
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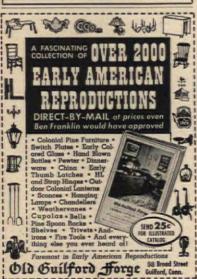
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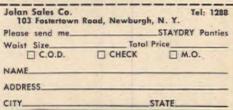


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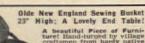
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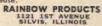
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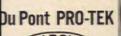
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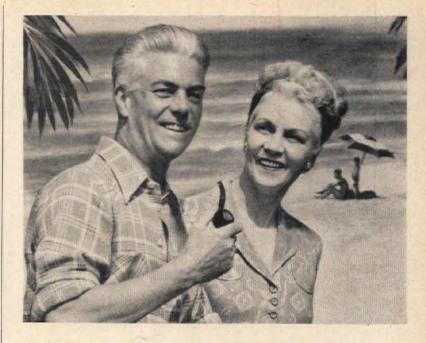
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"To celebrate, Peg and I were going out to the movies. While she went upstairs to dress, I picked up a magazine and leafed through it idly. Then somehow my eyes rested on an ad. It said, 'You don't have to be rich to retire.' Probably the reason I read it through was that just that evening Peg and I had been saying how hard it was for us to put anything aside for our future.

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when I found a letter from American HOME editors in my mail box. In it, they said they would like to call on me to see whether, through an exchange of ideas, they might find ways of being helpful to their readers. Well, here was one reader who could use some ideas on furnishing two-rooms-in-one with the \$3,000 Fred and I had set up as our budget, so I asked them please to come see us.

Fred and I had taken a long time to decide to remodel our house. Like so many other people here in Levittown, we had thought of moving to a larger place-especially so when more than one real estate agent approached us with offers substantially higher than the original cost of the house. But when we started 'looking,' we found that costs on larger houses had soared slightly, too. We also found that there were many advantages to our kind of community living which we hadn't fully appreciated: the swimming pool within walking distance, the many activities held in the community club house, the relatively small amount of traffic, the convenience of modern schools -again within walking distance. Diane, our fifteen-year-old daughter, is in high school, and this would be a bad time for her to make a change. Our twelve-year-old Steven wasn't at all anxious to leave his friends or his school. Fred, bless him, had worked so hard finishing off the upstairs into attractive and personalized rooms for the children-but there still wasn't room for everything going on.

"I agreed with the family that we should stay right here—but I was adamant about two things. I wanted space. We'd convert the living room into a dining room and add a living room to it. We'd continue the line of the new living room wall on out behind the master bedroom and make a den. In it we'd use all the present living-room furniture. That brought up my second 'must'—no make-do decorating. I wanted it completely done so we could all live enjoyably in that wonderful-sounding new space. That's when Fred and I decided I could have \$2,500 to \$3,000 to do a bang-up job. That's when I began to find out it's hard to spend \$3,000 wisely!

"I had some pretty definite ideas of what I wanted, all right. We see a lot of my family, and I have a large family! As a matter of fact, at a small 'gathering of the clan' we have twenty or thirty here. At small dinners, which take place two or three times a week and must be worked around choir practice, bowling, Diane's teenage social and school activities, and Steven's Boy Scout meetings, there are usually eight or twelve. To me, a good-sized dining table and a commodious china cabinet for linen and dishes right near it spelled 'heaven.' In the living-room area, there must be room enough and furnishings enough to accommodate eight to twelve comfortably. I said we were a large family and I was being literal. Sofa and chairs must be good-sized but not bulky. I wanted all this, plus a dramatic color scheme—and I didn't want that new space all 'cluttered up'!

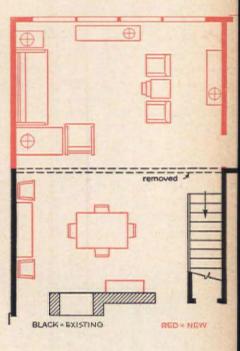
"I told all this to the American HOME editors when they came to see us just as we started to remodel and, glory be, they decided to work with me on the project, to go with me on my shopping tours and work this whole thing out. With their help, I think we've made every penny of that \$3,000 count!"

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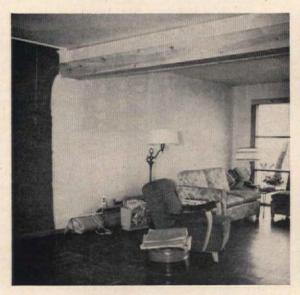
when suddenly I realized I didn't even know how to begin spending it"







"Our living room before we gained extra space"







"After remodeling and before we started decorating"

"NOV. 12: Well, the remodeling's done—and there's the 19 by 25 feet I said I wanted. I thought when you added a room it just got added. But, no—you end up with an army of men invading your house, tearing up your floor, tracking dirt all over. But it's done, and on the 15th we start Project 'Decoration.' Can't be like 'Remodeling'!"



Betty Baum Goes Shopping for a Dream

"NOV. 15: Well, I'm certainly learning things! Bright and early, the gals arrived, and I thought we'd start right out shopping. No! First we had to make a floor plan, then figure out where furniture would go best. They seemed to know the approximate sizes of all the things. Guess I'd have had to go around stores measuring them, if I'd even thought of making a plan first. Then we measured the



windows so we'd have an idea of the yardage needed. It's plenty! 36 yards to cover my 19-foot expanse of window. Can those two ask questions, too! What colors do I wear most, like to look at most? Do Fred and the children like the same colors? What do we do in the evenings? Where do the children study? Where does Fred sit when he reads? Where do the children entertain their friends-where do we entertain ours? How many at a time and how often? Seems a very funny way to do a decorating job.

NOV. 16: The gals brought out a few fabric samples to get my 'color reaction.' They were kind of pretty, but not what I want. I yearn for something more dramatic. I DO want soft green wall-to-wall carpeting, here and up the stairs.

Mrs. D. and Jeanne keep telling me how much I'd save if I'd just use a rug cut to within 6 or 8 inches of the wall, but I want the whole room done. For one thing, I don't want to clean around the edges of a rug. With those fabric samples in hand, we went to five places here on the Island, saw umpteen kinds of green and as many weaves and designs. My head's whirling, and my feet hurt!

"We really started at the bottom and worked our way up"



NOV. 20: We did it! Bought my green carpet. It's beautiful! It's taking a lot of my budget (\$889.60 including underlay and installation). But the gals are happy with the quality and color. It's a soft, soft blue-green which looks well with the deep blues, other greens and white that I'm pretty sure will be the color scheme.

The walls and stairway will be painted a lighter value. we decided. The painters

start day after tomorrow. We're really on our way!

NOV. 26: I pity those poor gals-and I'm a little sorry for me! When I see something I like, it turns out to be too expensive. I need lots of material, and the labor charges to make draw draperies or curtains



for windows this size are really something. We've checked on Venetian blinds (which I want) and all kinds of woven blinds, too. They're so attractive but won't give us the privacy I want. We've looked at furniture too, and I think I like what they call 'contemporary,' particularly in a lovely warm wood shade.

"I'll never forget the day we found the right drapery fabric"



DEC. 12: I really was pretty discouraged when we started out today. I've changed my mind so many times about the window treatment. All along, I've liked the sheer fabrics best. Somehow the colors seemed more interesting. And they'd look fine over a Venetian blind, too. But then it turned cold and I realized that what we need over that big window is a heavy lined drapery. How could we get that out of the budget? Mrs. D. said we'd work it out somehow-and today we hit the jackpot! In McCutcheon's we found ready-made draperies that come in

single, double and triple widths. They combine all the colors I like and I can cover the whole window with a pair of double and a pair of triple widths. The whole thing has really worked out marvelously well. These satisfy every requirement—in color, fabric and, of course, the price is something wonderful. Just \$129.90.

DEC. 14: Of course, we'd been looking at furniture while searching for draperies, but now we're concentrating. Today we saw some wonderful chairs and a sofa with slat backs (a type of design I've known I wanted, but hard to find in good-sized pieces). The chair is big enough for Fred to sit in and SO comfortable, but it doesn't look big. Also decided-when they insisted that I look carefully at that floor plan again-that a sofa would be better than a love seat on the long



wall. We're getting them done in white upholstery, too! Ordinarily I'd never think of white, with a dog as well as children in the family, but the upholstery is Naugahyde that will wipe cleanwhat a help that will be on the cleaning bill! I'm thrilled. The cost was \$593 for three pieces. Oh, that budget!



JAN. 2: What a way to begin the New Year! Just couldn't do anything during the holidays, but we're off again. Were we lucky! Found two very smart small-scaled lounge chairs for \$55 each. They're in plain aqua fabric that will look all right in the room but doesn't have much zing. We're going to PLEASE TURN THE PAGE slip-upholster



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them in a striped material that coordinates all the colors of the drapery. (Don't I begin to sound like a decorator, though?) The covers will be \$23 each, and I love the idea of being able to take them off for cleaning. Also bought a cocktail table which is going to be the bench in front of the window—just like we have had it indicated all along on that plan! And it was on



that plan! And it was on sale, too, for \$39.50. We had the most wonderful salesman—the same one who helped us with the sofa and chairs. On the way out, we bought two wonderful vases that have the exact blues and greens of the drapery. Only \$13.50 for my first accessories. I'm beginning to have hopes for the budget. Those two have eagle eyes that seem to spot just-right things I'd probably never notice.

It takes more—but good footwork is a help to decorating

JAN. 6: Mrs. D. insisted that I go look again at the two diningroom groups I've liked and make up my mind. Says it's their job to expose me to things, mine to make decisions. So I've decided on the one at Altman's. The room divider is going on the short

wall in the living room right now, but, as they pointed out, can be used to divide living and dining sections of my room when I want to switch things around. The table will extend to seat twelve. We got them to exchange the top of the china cabinet for one with glass doors, big enough for all my china. There's a wonderful drop-leaf server on wheels and, of course, the chairs. At 10% off (bless sales!) all this came to just \$810.90.



JAN. 17: Lamps! And tables! Seems you mustn't think of one without the other. A lamp mustn't be too tall, too short, too ornate, too stark—I'll bet we've looked at a hundred. We settled on one nest of tables (I'll have two good-sized tables to use in front of the sofa when needed) and one tier-type end table. \$154.95 for the two. Then we found a wonderful lamp for the room divider for \$21.50 and two big brass lamps for \$50. each for the tier table and whatever goes at the other end of the sofa. That's



the table I'm dying to see. We haven't been able to find one the gals think is just right, so they're having one made for us in the American HOME workshop. Now, all we have to do is the accessories—and we'll be through. Wonder how their feet feel?

JAN. 24: I just don't know! We've looked and we've looked and finally I've bought the things. I fell in love with a pair of ducks; Mrs. D. insisted that I buy a COW—a reclining white cow!

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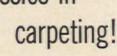
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There's more white in a big tray which she says will look well hung on the dining room wall. Black masks are to go on the white fireplace wall; more white in cigarette box and a round Japanese lamp to go on the bench in the window. There are a few other things too. Seems we really got an awful lot for \$230.95—but I just don't know how they're all going to look put together. I know Mrs. D. has insisted from the beginning that we hang on to some money for accessories. She's having the frames on the two portraits of the children painted a deep blue-green and they're to go over the sofa. Today, the sofa and the chair came and they do look strange sitting here all by themselves. Everything else is on the way, so all I can do is relax and wait for it to get here.

The acid test comes
when all those things you've bought
finally get all put together



FEB. 7: Today, Diane and I got all the accessories placed just as they were planned. When Fred came in, he just stood and looked at the room. 'You know,' he said, 'when things were coming in here one at a time, I wondered if you girls knew what you were doing. Now that I see it all together, I have to admit you sure did!'"

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It took just a little over four months to shop for and get under the Baum roof all the things that make up this room. The Baums, like every other family involved in a major decorating project, sometimes wished they'd never started. There seemed to be so much to do. But now the Baums are quite convinced that it was worth it. And Betty says, "How you could have captured the idea of what I wanted, when I myself had no idea, I'll never know." Remember all those questions we asked, Betty? Your answers gave us a lot to work on. We soon knew your personal taste and interests, and those of your family. We think you all like this room because it contains so much of you.

"What a table! The top is big enough so persons sitting nearby use it, high enough for a lamp"

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Each day, as I look around, I love and appreciate each item in my home a little more. I get pleasure just standing in the doorway, admiring the room."



"Fred just couldn't wait to get some home movies in our new room. I don't really approve of Jeannette (that silly poodle) being on the furniture, but I don't have to worry about that white vinyl plastic upholstery. How the children have grown since those portraits were done! We'll take them right there each year. Incidentally, Diane, Steven and Jeannette love this room, too."



The dining end of this room is just as attractive and functional.

See how it works
when the Baums serve



Formal dining

with the Baum family

... informal dining with company

"I 've found buffets are the easiest way of entertaining a crowd," Mrs. Baum confided to your American HOME editors. "Especially when you use the system my neighbors and I have worked out. We usually split the responsibility. Each girl brings one course of a menu that has been carefully planned by the hostess. That way it's easy on everyone and nobody works too hard. The combined results produce an elaborate buffet that none of us would probably want to tackle without fulltime help. If I can't get someone to serve or clean up, everyone takes their own dishes home and I just stack the plates neatly and quickly, letting the cleaning up go until the next morning.

For these affairs I pack away my beautiful embroidered tablecloths and get out gay cotton mats and napkins that I don't have to worry about. The table is set simply and as far ahead of time as I can manage. Sometimes we have stand-up parties (depending upon the menu). At other times I route out extra card tables where guests can sit after they've filled their plates. If I'm entertaining more than eight people, I fill two dishes with each food. An Italian menu's ideal for buffet suppers. I've never found a guest who didn't like Italian food." CONTINUED ON PAGE 84

MENU

PIZZA PIE ANTIPASTO
SPAGHETTI W/MEAT SAUCE
TOSSED GREEN SALAD
GARLIC BREAD
SPUMONI COFFEE



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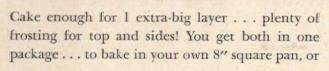




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"HOW ABOUT A LITTLE HELP AROUND THE HOUSE?"

MARIE S. WEILLER

ne day as I looked at a pile of dirty polo shirts and tousled bedclothes I thought, "That does it! How am I to teach my children to do some of the work around here?" Not that I wasn't strong enough to cope with the general disorder. But what I really wanted. I decided, was a feeling of responsibility, a share in the family group.

Then I began to think about my own attitude about housekeeping. Wasn't I tending to unload the dull jobs on the little ones? Then and there, I began to think of little jobs that would be interesting rather than just dutiful.

I turned down the idea of paying them in cash. That, to my mind, is an admission that you couldn't really expect them to do this nasty chore without remuneration. It's putting a price tag on family relationships.

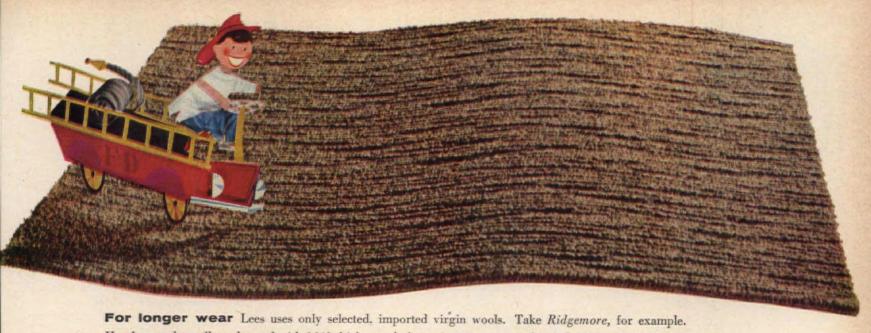
When I spoke to my husband of the improvements I was trying to win, he backed me up, and since his spirit of good will plus his respect for the job I do gave me a good rating in my family, this was important. Just the same, I knew it was up to me to set the pace. I decided to be shameless in playing up small attentions.

I must admit that at first I kept track of things and expected favor for favor. I was, of course, disappointed. So I'd spend two hours making costumes for the school play, then they'd renege on setting the table! Children rarely perform direct acts of gratitude.

Rather, they're impulsive. Since it's uphill work for me to go against their impulses, I try to coast in their own direction whenever I can. If we're setting out for a picnic and the kids are rarin' to go, they'll be delighted to make their beds; if their whole gang seems to lack an objective for the afternoon, they may fall to with a will and sweep the walk en masse. If I praise them loudly, and overlook the slight imperfections the first time, they may do the same job tomorrow—and do it better.

However, tomorrow the same job may have no appeal at all. If a child helps with something once, I don't make him feel that he's stuck with the job every day forever after. I take the help that PLEASE TURN THE PAGE

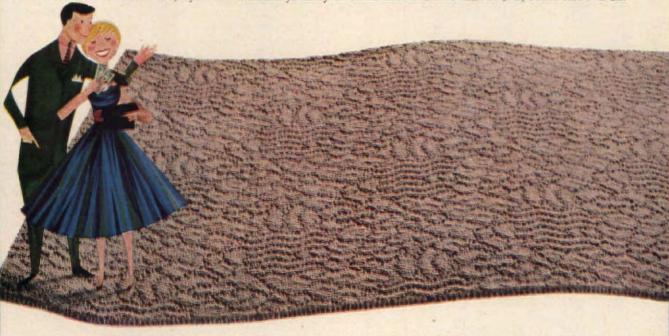
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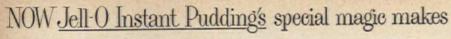


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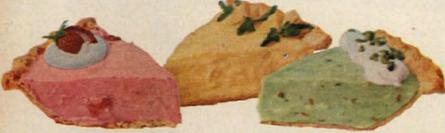
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comes willingly; if I meet with a sluggish reluctance, I brush it off as often as I humanly can.

Takes a lot of tolerance, doesn't it? But children need play time, and for three-fourths of the year, they have little enough of it. If you'll stop to check off their natural responsibilities, I think you'll agree that we need not manufacture additional ones. The school-age child must wash and dress himself, slick his hair and be places on time. He must watch his table manners, go to school, practice piano or whatever, and pick up his toys and equipment. In addition to this, he must live up to his friends; be available when they are, do what they do, whether it is socking a baseball or jumping rope backwards.

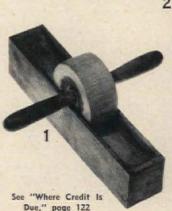
These are a child's first-line duties. Learning this multitude of duties and skills, however playful they seem to us, takes up a good part of each day. Is it quite fair, then, to cut into their playtime with anything so onerous as minding their two-year-old sister every afternoon? How can they play hide-and-seek if they must dart out of their hiding place every time Baby wanders out in the street? That job belongs to Mother.

What chores can we reasonably expect of the children? I do feel that these should be in proportion to the amount their mother does. In my own medium-busy household, with the point of view that I am satisfied if they do some of the work some of the time, I have found they take to the following duties:

Bed-making—now and then, especially if their friends help to "surprise" me; dishwashing on a dull day, but milk bottles, coffee pot and vases anytime I ask; polishing the silver; washing their socks (in the bath); baking or any other cooking they are capable of, such as puddings, ice cream, beating eggs; washing the rim off the bathtub while they are still in the water; scouring the washbowl; using the carpet sweeper and mop; making sandwiches for picnics; helping to 'carry out dishes and trappings for an outdoor meal; flat ironing; hanging up the clothes they take off (with an occasional reminder); setting the table and getting food from the refrigerator (temporarily discontinued because of quarrels over who is to take what); helping to sort their own laundry (they recognize every sock and undershirt) if I am on hand to finish the job of getting the things in the drawers.

Secretly, I suspect that my children could run the house, thumbs down, without coaching. When there is an emergency—I am ill, or late, or have unexpected company—I lean full weight on them without apology. Children in an emergency are something to write sonnets about. They will do anything they have the brawn for, and a few things they haven't. It is only then that I realize what delightful people they are going to be someday. THE END

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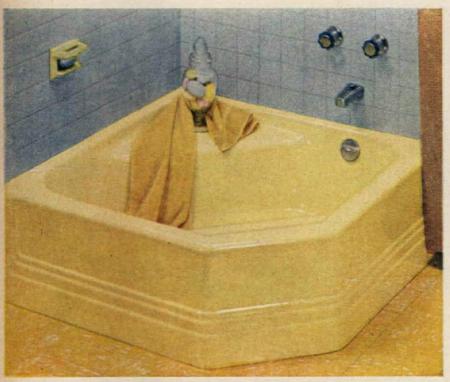
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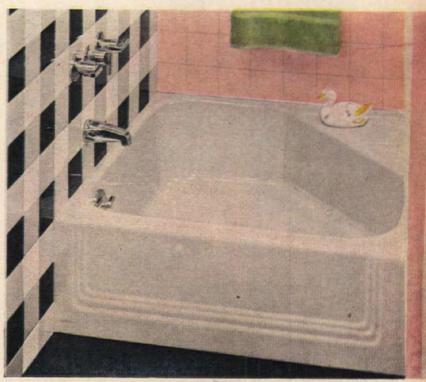
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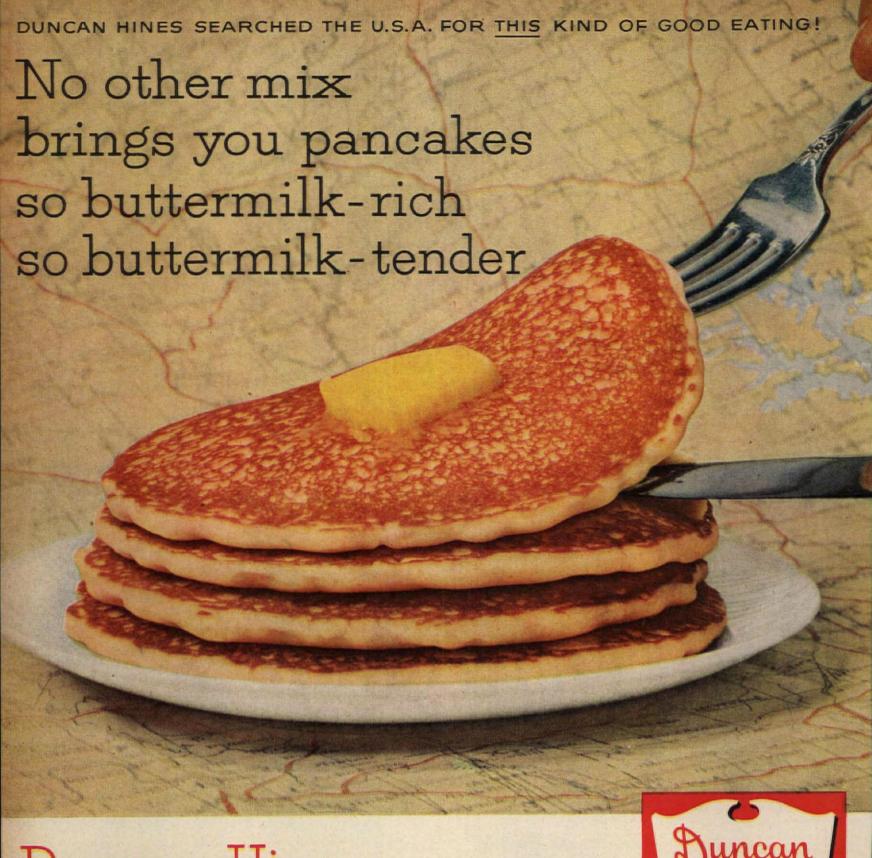
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A re you in a new home and starting from scratch? Or is it an old place that badly needs re-doing? Either way, it's an important job, and right now is a good time to get started.

The first principle of good gardening is: plan before you plant. So, even if you don't intend to do any work this fall, you'll be smart to spend some time thinking about what and where you're going to plant when spring comes.

Here's how you can tackle the job: (1) handle the whole project yourself; (2) have a landscape nurseryman draft a plan and supply the plants, and either he or you can put them in; (3) have a landscape architect work out a scheme and specify the plants, then buy and plant them yourself; or (4) engage a landscape architect to prepare a plan, contract for the plants and supervise the planting. It all depends on how much you want to do yourself.

If you're a do-it-all-yourself man, it'llpay you to study a couple of nursery catalogs and an elementary book on landscaping. Buy a good-size scratch pad at your stationer's and adopt a scale of, say, ½ inch to represent 1 foot; or 1 inch to represent 10 feet. Then start sketching, and keep sketching and re-sketching until you've got the best possible plan for the section of your lot that you intend to plant. You'll want it to last, so it'll be worth the effort!

Whatever you do, don't start buying plants and sticking them here and there without rhyme or reason. If you do, you'll never get the effect you want. The pictures on pages 58-59 may help you get started.

The "spadework" you can do this fall depends on where you live. In the mildest areas—the whole southern section and along the West Coast, you can put in trees and shrubs either during fall or in the spring. In moderately cold states, like Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, you can plant many things in either fall or spring, but some only in spring. In the coldest areas, like the northern Plains States.

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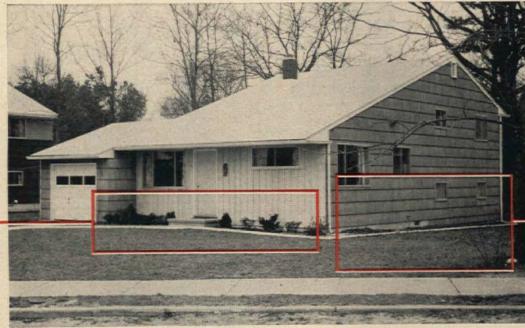
Planting your lot is like decorating your rooms ... so give it thought ... plan before you plant!

First things first . . . and the front of a house makes the "first impressions"

Take stock of what you've got and try to visualize what you want. If the foundation planting is adequate, will the house look better if there's a supplementary planting? An irregular bed of small and medium-size shrubs, perhaps, somewhere near the walk?

If the foundation's unplanted, does it need tall plants, short plants, or some of both? High windows, as here, allow use of hollies, upright yews, pyracantha, azaleas, tall-growing floribunda roses, and other medium-height shrubs.

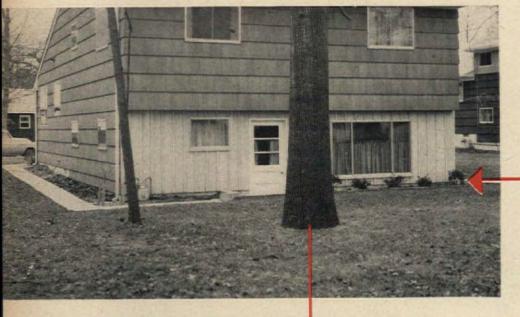
Make sketches of the areas to be planted—and check with your nurseryman for plants suitable for your area—before actually going to work.



Low windows call for dwarf, spreading, or ground-covering plants—like some of the junipers, cotoneasters, boxwoods, pigmy roses, or creeping euonymus. At corners and between windows, though, a taller plant or two will increase the effectiveness of the planting.

And how about the lawn? If it's okay, give it a feeding. If it needs resowing, do so now if you live in the North, wait till spring if you live in the warmer part of the South.





The part of your lot you'll use and enjoy most is at the back!

esign and plant your backyard area for use, looks and outdoor living. Lay out a terrace convenient to the back door, and make it large enough to accommodate as many people as you'll entertain. Locate the service or children's play area where it won't interfere, and screen it off with a fence or hedge if you're a stickler for neatness and order.

To help create attractiveness in the backyard, and also to set off your house to best advantage, work out a plan for planting shrubs and groundcovers near the foundation and in adjacent spots.

Where space permits, a cluster of rhododendrons, azaleas, and Japanese hollies may work if you've an acid soil; lilacs, upright cotoneasters and compact winged euonymus if your soil's neutral to alkaline. Under picture windows use groundcovers, low junipers, cotoneasters, boxwoods.





How are things with your trees?

Tree trunks broaden out at the base, as shown immediately at left and in the yard above. If you have any that don't—like the one at far left—it means the roots have been buried with fill and probably will smother. Ask a reputable tree expert if they can be saved by building tree wells. If they can't, or only at too great cost, have them removed.

When doing construction work near a tree, protect it with boards, as at right. It may save tree or tree-care expense.



3 front plantings that may give you ideas . . .

s the front of your house something like one of the three at the right? If so, you can probably work out a planting plan that'll give you equally attractive effects.

With trees in the lawn, the house at top needed only a limited foundation planting-a few azaleas and both spreading and upright yews.

The West Coast home, center, is fronted with upright junipers and wild strawberry groundcover.

In the bottom picture, rhododendrons, azaleas, yews, Japanese hollies and cherry laurels were used at foundation and in planting near walk.

You can do lots of things with the side of a house!

If it's sunny, you can grow flowering vines, climbers, espaliers on a trellis against the house or a fence on the outer side of the walk-roses, clematis, crapemyrtle. If it's shady, choose plants for foliage-euonymus, elaeagnus, cotoneasters, ivies.

Plant shrubs properly—or you may waste time and money!



Dig hole larger than rootball, then partly fill in with topsoil and peatmoss so plant will be at same depth as it grew in the nursery. Add same mixture around root-ball. tamp it well, water heavily. Keep mulched with leaves until spring.



Delightful effects from trees, a few good shrubs, and a king-size window box.



No mowing, no summer burn-out! It's a front groundcover instead of a front lawn.



Year-round attractiveness on Long Island from well-chosen, slow-growing shrubs.

Lawn the worse for wear and tear? Now's the time to patch it up



Late summer or early fall is the best time to sow grass in the northern twothirds of the country. So, first off, remove patches of dead grass with cultivator and loosen soil about 2" deep. and scratch this lightly into surface. bent mixture, not quick-results grass.



Make a mixture of one-third peatmoss Sow the seed lightly-about as you'd and two-thirds topsoil, and spread it shake pepper on fried eggs-and leave on the bare patches so they're level after tamping. Add a little lawn food



surface untamped. Most important: use good grass seed-a bluegrass-fescue-



Now water thoroughly but gently-not faster than it soaks in-and keep the soil moist at all times. Mow when 2" to 21/2" high and feed lightly with a soluble plant food in about a month.

C. A. CROSSER

Hark, Hark the Dogs Do Bark...and Dig

of all the neighborhood nuisances—smoke from burning trash, a blaring radio next door and yelling youngsters, nothing's more widespread in any community than the dog controversy. True, a dog is a lovable, faithful, companionable friend and part of the family. But it might also be said that the species occasionally tends to have some annoying habits—like barking half the night, defiling your lawn, uprooting your garden—even biting.

With the number of our canine friends on the upswing in every city, the storm of complaints is constantly rising. The laws of all cities recognize annoyance by dogs as a legal nuisance, whether in the form of noise, odor or trespass. At present, dog laws range from a strict requirement that dogs must be on leashes when off their premises to much more lenient ones. However, the matter's complicated because the impression is that anyone who complains about dogs is an odd ball who also hates children and might even be the type who isn't above slipping poisoned hamburger to the neighborhood cats and dogs. For this reason many long-enduring dog victims rather suffer than complain. So the sanguine dog owners, hearing no complaints, assume that all's right in the dog world.

What can be done? For the sake of peace, here are some suggested procedures for both sides—the dog owners and the non-owners. If you own a dog, we recommend:

- 1. When buying a dog, don't get one of a breed that's prone to bark or nip. The "one-man" dog may be great for liking you—and you alone—but his single-minded affection may cost you a stiff doctor bill and possibly courts costs and damages.
- 2. When you acquire a dog, just make up your mind that you've acquired a little being that's about as irresponsible as a child, so treat him the same way. Be prepared to give him the same attention you give your children when they're out of the house.
- 3. Don't get mad when one of your neighbors complains about your dog. Remember, he's only calling you as a desperate last resort and hates it. Most of the time you won't hear from your neighbor unless the dog has really done something, so you haven't any reason to get angry.
- 4. Keep your dog inside nights to avoid the possibility of his cutting loose with some barks at three o'clock in the morning. Moreover, a dog inside a house is a more effective opponent to burglars than one outside where he can be seduced by various means.
- 5. Never leave your dog tied up outside when you're away, if he's a barker. His lonesome woes are likely to make your neighbors' days and nights miserable.



Now here are a few suggestions for the complainers:

- If your neighbor's dog barks briefly at the mailman, don't immediately run to the phone to call the police. Let him bark a few minutes and charge it off to unavoidable neighborhood noises, or give his owner time to get to him and shut him up.
- 2. When you've screwed up your courage to the point of calling the dog's owner, don't jump down his throat. His natural reaction will only be to shout back. Above all, cut your conversation as short as possible. If you permit yourself to be drawn into an argument, you'll find yourself fruitlessly wandering through a discussion about "other dogs in the block bark as much as mine," or "you're the only one who's complained," etc., etc.
- 3. For the digging or defiling dog, chase and slap him with a rolled newspaper. If this habit-minded animal associates being chased away every time he enters your yard, he may take the hint.
- 4. If nothing works and the dog owner shows no inclination to restrain his pet, have no compunction about calling the police. That's what they're for. And if a dog has bitten somebody, certainly the police should be called.

The San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals employs a practice which could be more widely imitated. Upon receipt of a complaint, the society sends a form letter to the pet owner. The letter courteously disclaims being a reprimand but suggests that the owner may not realize that his dog occasioned a complaint from a neighbor. It encloses a helpful leaflet on the care of a pet. This device accomplishes several things. It carries the impact of an official notice to the dog owner which is not likely to be disregarded. It preserves the anonymity of the complainer and avoids the unpleasantness of a formal complaint.







Tailored tier curtains are invaluable if you move and must use curtains you already have, for they can be lengthened and shortened at will. If your curtains are too short (perhaps you want a change from old café curtains) the tiered

style is an easy, very smart way to gain the length you need. If you don't have more of original fabric, add contrasting material. Just punch grommets in both sections, lace together with tape or ribbon. Kits are available at notion counters.



DRAPERIES?

Modern, old-fashioned, or in-between . . . the next few pages give solutions for many problems

Add under here

Jearly every house has a problem window; we've selected some dillies that challenged our ingenuity. We liked the answers and think you may like them, too. Take the case of the curtains at right, for instance, which were too short for windows in a new home. Enough leftover fabric was on hand-but how to join it so the addition wouldn't be obvious? Here's one answer, and we defy anyone to point and say it shows! If you don't have cornices, make simple ones like these, using ordinary ruffles. Then you can add inches by hanging your curtains under the cornices, and your trick will never show. Not long enough yet? Add a ruffle at the bottom, too-as wide as necessary to get whatever length you may still need. Easy, isn't it? Also, note another "add-on" trick with the tiered curtains above, laced together with the help of grommets.





Draperies in a gentlemanly plaid are a fitting background for that budding musician in your familyor his big brother. The news here is the valance: note the velvet ribbons, evenly spaced and set on vertically. And note, too, those silver buttons in a row across the top. Draperies make a striking framework for the sheer white glass curtains, which have been finished with narrow ruffled and embroidered edging.

DOROTHY BRIGHTBILL



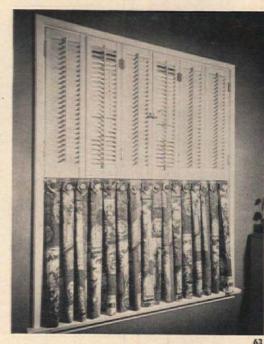


The crisp neatness of these button-tabbed curtains may be just the fillip needed for your fall decorating. Use them fulllength for a standard-size window, or, if you're the type who loves shutters on a window, cover the lower window section with a trim, tailored pair of short, button-tabbed curtains.





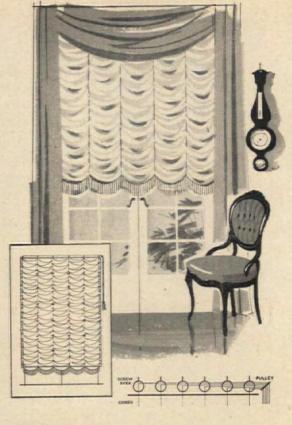
To make button-tabbed curtains like these, cut fabric, including lining, allowing 3-inch box pleats. Baste pleats in place and press. Cut tabs separately, long enough to go around rod (see photo). Interline, then line tabs, pointing ends. Cover buttons with shelf fabric. Baste pleats in place, press. Sew tabs at top and buttons on tabs. Sew snaps on tabs for fastening, and they're finished. PLEASE TURN THE PAGE



Draperies (Continued)

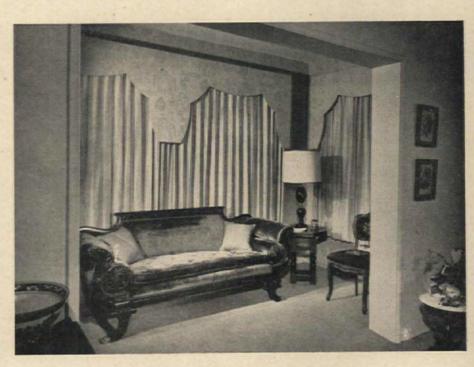
austrian shades appear to be difficult to make but by breaking down the process into logical order of procedure they can be easier than you'd at first imagine. To start out with the correct dimensions for a window shade, add 4" per ft. of fabric length; 2" per ft. of width; 3" for a double top hem, 1½" for side hems. Sew hems. Now spread the material on a table, gathering shirring lines with heavy thread and fastening each finished line to the table with thumbtacks. Adjust





fullness, making lower third less full than upper two-thirds. Pin I" strips of paper along shirring lines to hold gathers. Now remove heavy threads and sew on machine through paper. Remove paper, sewing over seams. Now all you have to add are the finishing touches. Sew ½-inch tape on the back of each shirred line and sew your curtain rings on the tape about 6" apart. Cover the curtain rod with the same material and sew to the bottom. Run cords through rings as shown in the sketch. Now they're ready to go on display. If you're fortunate enough to have French doors (as sketched here) these shades are marvelous for stylish formality.





One decorating hurdle many find particularly difficult to overcome is broken wall space. The room above posed the added problem of awkward windows. To achieve a more livable corner, full-length draperies behind sofa, and sill-length draperies on adjoining wall were combined with an unusual valence. This window treatment lent notable vitality to a "problem room." To duplicate valence, cut lightweight plywood or fiber board to desired shape, pad lightly with cotton batting. Cover with matching or contrasting fabric, add welting.



2% FORESIGHT

MARTHA B. DARBYSHIRE

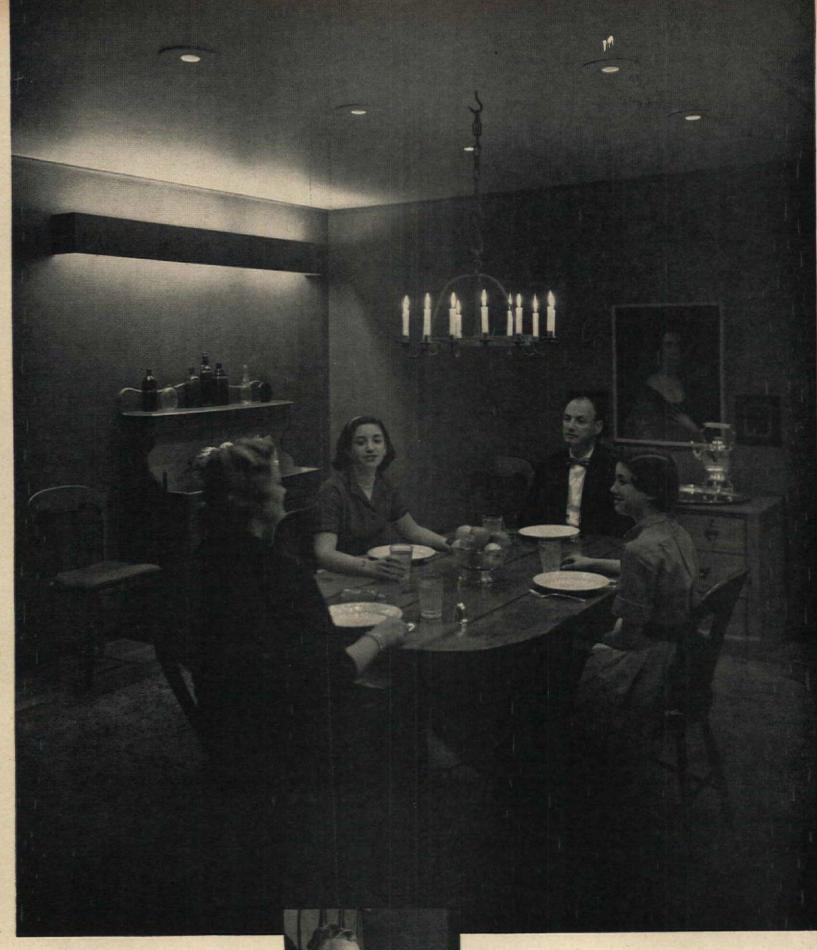
here's an old saying that "everybody is blessed with 20/20 hind-sight," but when it comes to furnishing a house on a budget you can't afford anything but foresight. Decorating (with no later regrets) is tricky business, calling for plenty of knowledge of the facts and sound judgment.

When Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Minotta came up against this house-furnishing problem they said later, "It was like a plot with a beginning, an end and a mortality all its own." In the end they did a smart thing. They tossed in the towel and hired Louise Good, a skilled interior decorator, to do the job for them. It seemed like a rash step for budgeteers to take, but one they had advisedly been told could, in the end, save them money. True, there was Mrs. Good's fee to consider, but offsetting it was her wisdom and experience in buying advantageously.

Most amateur decorators fall short when it comes to knowing where to spend and where to cut corners. A decorator knows from experience, for example, that overstuffed furniture, bed springs and mattresses are not the place to economize. They must be quality. Curtains, end tables, even a dining table and chairs can be economies if they have style and flare. And there are other things a decorator considers in saving a client money.

Mrs. Good approached the Minotta project with a long-range point of view. Now they have an apartment but later on they plan to build. So it became necessary to buy things now that could later move into their future house.

Since the Minottas were somewhat hazy about the style of their future living room, Mrs. Good decided not to buy for this but rather their future family room, where they knew they wanted traditional —traditional not like a period stage-set—but a useful room with a comfortable homeyness. Even though the present furniture may need re-upholstering before it officially becomes part of the family room in their future home, they have the basic essentials. Both quality pieces and many less-lasting, short-cut economies are here, obviously selected by a trained buyer. You'll also be interested to know that the job was completed with a nest egg left in the budget —something that rarely happens if you do everything yourself.



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Co-author, "How to Decorate and Light Your Home."



KNOB A MOOD IS SET...

Imagination with light can "redecorate" a room ____

Turn of a Knob (Continued)

how you looked forward to the colorful stage presentation? And do you remember how noisy the chattering audience was until—the lights were dimmed?

Do you recall your childhood bedtime hour; stories before going to sleep, and laughter and fun, then the peaceful quiet of your room when—the lights were dimmed?

And I'm sure we haven't forgotten the bright lights, ka-

leidoscopic color and noisy glamor of the visiting carnival, where brilliant spotlights and colorful posters made us want to "cavort."

Why do we react so differently to these various conditions? Because the degree of light and color in our surroundings causes us to do so. It is called "atmosphere" or "mood."

Some few years ago these effects were available to only theatrical set designers or, at great expense, to the architect and decorator. Today, however, they can be enjoyed by 'most anyone at a fraction of their original cost. The necessary elements can be installed in almost any type of home, old, new or "in-between." The important thing is to understand what moods or atmosphere you wish to make possible for your family and friends, and the most practical and rewarding ways of achieving them.

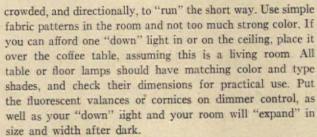
"Dimmers" can be utilized on fluorescent as well as incandescent lighting systems and offer the possibility of light control at the "turn of a knob." There are few rooms which can't enjoy some effective "mood" changes by this means, today. Traditional rooms can take on great charm of "period" lighting effects through "dimmer" use. Contemporary rooms can sparkle or glow depending upon the owner's wish.

Color changes are greatly discernible when a larger or smaller amount of light is used in a room. The lacy tracery of wallpaper can be played up, or down by lighting. Brilliant, deep color can be made almost black, and white walls "grayed" to "infinity" by light or its almost absence. Sound like fun? It most certainly is. But more than that, it can be very beneficial, living-wise.

A family need not own elaborate period furnishings, or even an "avant garde" modern home to use this kind of light control effectively. I have installed it in houses furnished in informal Early American style, with pine and pewter, old glass and calico. The resulting enjoyment of additional "moods" more than justifies the nominal expense involved.

If you are contemplating improvements in an existing house, some suggested uses of "mood" lighting might include:

FOR A LONG, DARK, NARROW ROOM which you want to make wider and brighter, paint your walls a light value of your favorite color and the ceiling a still lighter value of the same color. Along the short walls at valance or cornice height, install continuous fluorescent lights, shielded of course by the cornice or valance boards. These are at opposite ends of the room. Try to arrange your furniture to appear un-



FOR A DINING ROOM which you want to make more formal, paint three walls of the room a light value of one of the colors in a scenic paper, which you will place on the forth wall. Above the wallpaper install a cornice of fluorescent lights and paint the cornice board to match the three walls. The ceiling might be white. Centered over your dining table hang a crystal chandelier whose bulbs are covered with white opaque paper or fabric shades. In the ceiling, recess four or six "down" lights so that they light your table surface evenly and appear evenly spaced on the ceiling, around the stem of the chandelier. Install dimmer controls on your ceiling down lights and your wallpaper cornice lighting. The chandelier does not necessarily need to be "controlled." Colors in this kind of room might be deep and rich, or bright and light, depending upon your personal preference or existing furniture style. Remember that when your table wears a white cloth you will have more glare from its surface than when you use a colored cloth or place mats which permit the wood of the table to show. If you plan to use a white cloth at all times perhaps four down lights in your ceiling will suffice.

The dining room in the Connecticut home of the Robert Foremans, which is shown on pages 66 and 67, utilizes six "down" lights in the ceiling, evenly spaced paralleling the direction of the dining table, with which are combined an Early American wrought iron chandelier. Candles are lighted at mealtime, reflecting the simple charm of the Early American furnishings, yet consistent with the handsome portrait by Sir Peter Lely.

FOR A FAMILY ROOM which you want to make bright and gay, paper your walls with simulated white brick wallpaper and on one of them hang travel posters, large size. Along the wall use the fluorescent valance with space above for the light to shine up on the ceiling. Try to find several travel posters featuring a bright sky blue and paint the ceiling of the room this same blue. At one point in your room place a large permanently located game table and four or six chairs. Above the table install one large down light in the ceiling or three or four small down lights in circular fashion. If you have a hard surface floor such as vinyl, asphalt or rubber tile, use a circular or square rug under the table and chair group for accent and winter comfort. Take your color scheme for chair and sofa coverings as well as curtains, blinds or shades, from your featured posters. A large room could take two poster walls opposite each other or adjoining each other. Use floor lamps and swing-arm wall lamps to release small tables for tray duty. Dimmer controlled valance and game table down-lights when dimmed, will help "quiet" almost anyone when the games get noisy, and make light walls reflect less in television screens.

FOR A BEDROOM which you want to make serene, restful, individual and practical you most naturally want your bed or twin beds on the wall best suited to their placement, preferably one which has no windows. Place a night table between the twin beds or a pair flanking them if they are used together. With either of these arrangements, a very attractive CONTINUED ON PAGE 104



Brass bracket acts as dimmer-controlled reading light, illuminates painting.

YOUR FIRST FALL JOB-

HUBBARD H. COBB

JOB-PANEL A ROOM

If your aim is to dress up your interiors,

you'll want these pointers on durable, versatile wood paneling

I ow that warm weather's about over it's time to turn our thoughts to some good indoor project. One that's high on the list every year is installing wood paneling. Even the rank amateur carpenter who doesn't know the difference between a miter box and a half-lap joint can do more than a passable job of installing wood paneling provided he or she can saw a semi-straight line and hit a nail on the head.

Today you'll find wood paneling used with great success in every room in the house. In fact, by treating the wood with modern preservatives which makes the fibers most stable, it's possible to use wood paneling even in the bathroom and kitchen and have a surface that's resistant to moisture and easily cleaned. Wood is one of the most versatile of all building materials. No matter what sort of effect you wish to create—from an informal game room to a formal living or dining room—wood can do the job for you.

There are about 1,100 different tree species in this country. Of this number about 35 produce lumber suitable for paneling. PLEASE TURN THE PAGE

One of the most beautiful woods you can use is redwood, whose attractive natural color and interesting grain is best finished with a fine transparent coat which won't obscure the beauty of the natural color or the grain but will help prevent the wood from absorbing dirt. It will also prevent fading due to exposure to the sunlight. Tongue and groove paneling can be put on with blind nailing so nail heads won't show.

See "Where Credit Is Due," poge 122

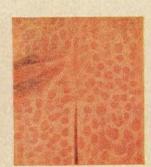
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This gives quite a range of choice in color, texture and price. If you want something in the higher price brackets, look into some of the hardwoods like pecan, beech, magnolia, walnut, cherry or maple. If your needs don't require such an investment, there is western pine as well as redwood, cypress and cedar.

Besides the wide range of woods available, there are also new types and techniques of finishing that will give your paneling the colors and tones you want. The more attractive woods are usually finished in such a manner as to allow all the natural color and grain of the wood to be exposed. For the less expensive and more common woods, there are pigmented stains available to produce literally hundreds of different effects. Some really outstanding results have been obtained by installing wood paneling and then painting it a desired color. As you can see, your possibilities in this field are almost unlimited. (For more on wood paneling see page 120.)

Prefinished oak flooring makes excellent paneling. Applied over furring strips fastened horizontally to wall framework, it requires no finishing after installation. Nails are driven through tongue and concealed by adjoining plank. Below: Three samples of different finishes for pine paneling. Center panel has been worked over with ball peen hammer to produce interesting dimples in the wood. You can originate your own special finish using either paint or stain, but try it out on a small wood sample before doing an entire job.



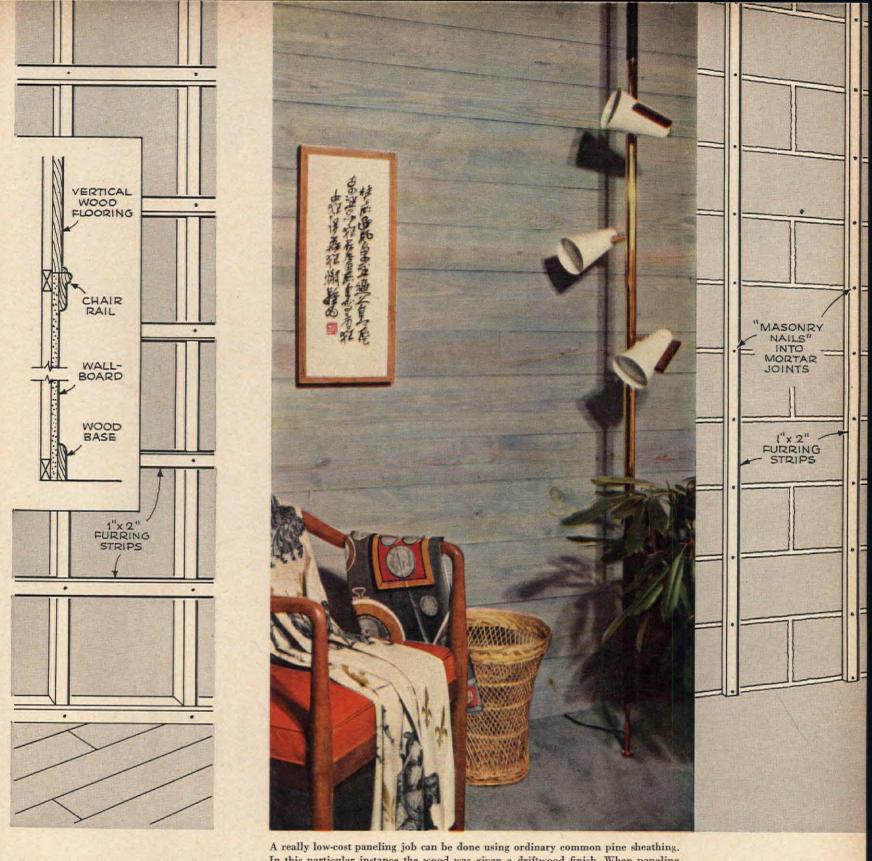




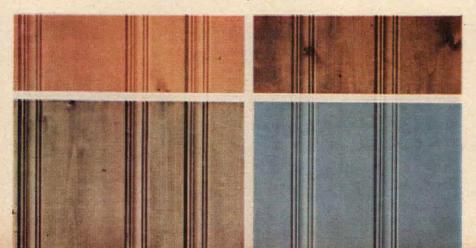




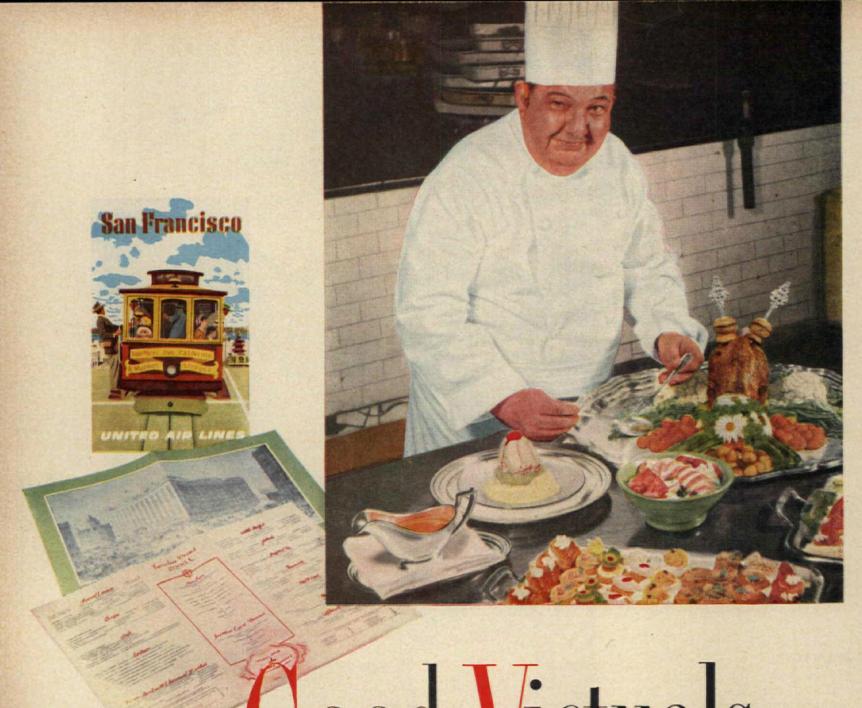
For the family with the with the indoor outdoor indoor outdoor indoor deproach to approach to living, bevel cedar living with a siding with a transparent finish transparent finish can produce an interesting effect.



A really low-cost paneling job can be done using ordinary common pine sheathing. In this particular instance the wood was given a driftwood finish. When paneling is to be applied over a masonry wall, the wood furring strips must first be applied to provide a nailing base for the paneling. Furring may be fastened to the concrete with cut nails, masonry anchors or with special adhesives. Lumber stock is usually a regular 2x2" size and is quite suitable for use as furring.



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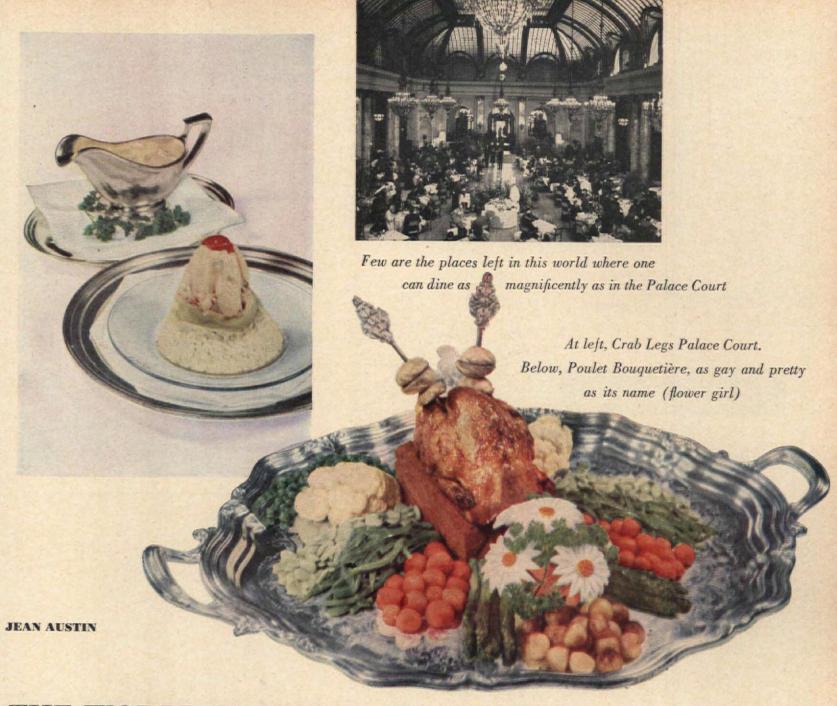


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ur guest this month is Monsieur Lucien L. Heyraud, Chef of the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco—and one of the world's great he is! Sitting in his office (one entire side of it glass, the better to observe all that goes on in the kitchens below), Monsieur Heyraud greeted us graciously in spite of the fact

that we were late in setting up our camera. And when, in due course of the conversation, I discovered he was Portuguese and he had been told how much I admired his beautiful country and its gentle, kind people, all was truly forgiven as he beamed for his portrait with some of the food that issues forth from the kitchens of this famed gourmet mecca. Monsieur

We took its picture on its way to a banquet hall! Spread here so prettily, salami flowers with stamen of cream cheese; liver paste en bouchante; gelatin of capon on a cracker; cream smoked salmon paste tubed on a cracker; deviled eggs in bonbon cups; cold boiled crab legs trimmed with mayonnaise and cocktail sauce;



THE WORLD-FAMOUS PALACE HOTEL

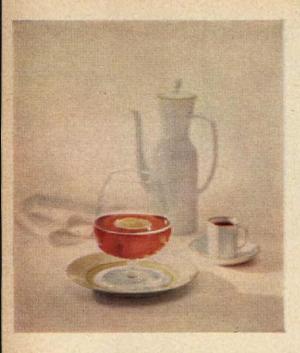
Heyraud has given us two recipes for two very special dishes indeed—his Poulet Bouquetière and what is probably the most-ordered item on their bill-of-fare, the Palace Court salad . . . most-ordered, that is, by native San Franciscans, for the Green Goddess salad is the best known to the tourist. If by any remote chance you do not have the recipe for Green Goddess dressing (it has, I think, been publicized hundreds upon hundreds of times), I shall, of course, be happy to send it to you if you will be good enough to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope along with your request.

anchovy and sliced stuffed olives on a slice of hard-boiled eggs on a cracker; creamed tuna on a cracker garnished with colored butter—green for the leaves, pink for the rose buds; cream cheese on flororune (cracker similar to a cream puff); celery stuffed with roquefort cheese.



For details about table appointments, see "Where Credit Is Due," page 122





Exquisitely simple is this dessert of peach in pink champagne—the peach pricked with a fork to absorb the delicate bouquet of the iced wine

poulet bouquetière

• Cover a 31/2 lb. chicken with thin slices of back fat, salt and pepper to taste. Put in a deep casserole on a bed of sliced carrots, celery and a little butter. Roast in oven 30-40 minutes. When chicken is cooked, skim off fat but leave juices from the bird and vegetables. Add a drop of dry sherry and drain juices from the casserole-that's your sauce for the chicken.

Cook separately peas, carrots, cauliflower, potatoes, lima beans, frenched green beans -any or all of the vegetables you will serve with the chicken.

Lay chicken on a very thick section of bread that has been toasted on all sides. Surround with vegetables to please the eye as well as palate.

Pour the sauce over with butter and parsley added at the last minute.

Lucien L. Heyraud, Chef

Sheraton-Palace Hotel

Here, a return engagement—a recipe published many years ago,

repeated here for our new readers.

red and green peppers.

Dress on a plate a bed of shredded lettuce with a slice of tomato on it. Sprinkle topped eggs around and press same against lettuce to form a little nest. Set artichoke top and serve with Thousand Island Dressing.

You can also dress on artichoke three slices of lobster, chicken or shrimp.

heart of artichoke to level with fresh vegetable salad (cut string beans, cauliasparagus tips and peas). Dress 5 or 6 crab legs on it, garnish with 2 strips

It's tantalizingly different!



green tomato pie

cups unpeeled green tomatoes, cut in thin wedges 1/2 cup sugar

2 tbs. flour grated rind of I lemon 1/4 tsp. allspice 1/4 tsp. salt

I ths. lemon juice 3 tbs. butter

- · Mix flour, sugar, lemon rind, spices and salt together. Sprinkle a little on the bottom of 9-inch unbaked pie shell. Arrange tomato wedges in the pie shell, a layer at a time. Cover each layer with sugar mixture, lemon juice and dot with butter. Repeat this sequence until shell is filled. Cover with latticed top. Bake in 350° oven for 45 minutes.
- Put whole green tomatoes in deep greased baking dish. Sprinkle with above mixture and cover with pastry. Bake 1 hr. in 350° oven.

Served this way, it is a deliciously different buffet casserole, with cold meats especially.

A GOOD VICTUALS RECIPE

4 Souper ways to serve tuna!





TUNA BURGERS. Here's a new kind of burger! Mix 1 7-oz. can drained, flaked tuna, 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup, 1 tbsp. each minced green pepper and onion. Fill 6 hamburger buns with mixture; brush buns with butter. Bake on cookie sheet in hot oven (400° F.) about 10 minutes. 6 servings.



PERFECT TUNA CASSEROLE. A never-fail meal, all in one

dish! In a 1-qt. casserole, combine 1 can Campbell's Cream of

Chicken Soup, ½ cup milk, 7-oz. can drained, flaked tuna, 1 cup

drained, cooked peas, 1 cup crushed potato chips. Garnish with potato chips. Bake at 375° F. about 25 minutes. 4 servings.

poells Campbells TUNA SHORTCAKE. Creamy and tasty—and ready in minutes! In a saucepan, blend together 1 can Campbell's Cream of TUNA LOAF. Any way you slice it, this is soup-erb! Combine 2 7-oz. cans drained, flaked tuna, 1½ cups fine bread crumbs, 1 can Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup, 2 lightly beaten eggs,

MUSHROOM

CHICKEN

Soup

2 thsp. minced onion. Pack lightly in greased loaf pan; bake at 350° F. about 1 hr. Serve with Quick Cream Sauce (blend

1 can Cream of Celery Soup, 1/3 cup milk; heat). 6 servings.

Good cooks cook with Campbell's Soups

Mushroom Soup, 1/2 cup milk, one 7-ounce can drained, flaked

tuna, 1 cup drained, cooked peas, 2 sliced, hard-cooked eggs and 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento; heat. Serve over hot, split and buttered biscuits—or pour on slices of toast. 4 servings.

New fun with Betty Crocker Cake Mixes!

mixed-up cakes!

- Honey Spice Cake Mix into oblong pan. Pour on two no. 2 cans apple-pie filling, then rest of mix. Add 1 tbsp. lemon juice mixed in 1 cup water. Bake 50 to 60 min.
- batter in two 151/2 x 101/2 x 1" jelly-roll pans 15 min. Cool. Ease onto towel dusted with confectioners' sugar. Spread with ice cream. Roll. Frost with whipped cream. Freeze,
- pineapple, peaches, cherries, bananas -whatever strikes your fancy - and follow upside-down recipe on Betty Crocker Yellow Cake Mix package.
- 1 Crumble! Your secret: sprinkle 1/2 dry 2 Rolled Up! Your secret: bake angel food 3 Topsy-Turvy! Your secret: combine 4 Nutty Pie-Cake! Your secret: line 9" pie pan, using Betty Crocker Pie Crust Mix. Beat 2 eggs, 1/2 cup sugar, ¼ tsp. salt, ¼ cup melted butter, ¾ cup corn syrup. Add ¾ cup chopped nuts; pour in pan. Top with 1 cup Devils Food Cake batter; bake 45 min. at 350°.





6. Calico Cake!

7. Cake Split



Presto! A luscious lemon pie—and with no cooking! No messy, scorched pots and pans—no stirring over a hot stove. Just mix with sugar and boiling water—pour into a baked pie shell. Chill...then pop in oven 3 minutes to brown the

Lemon Flavor Pie Filling!

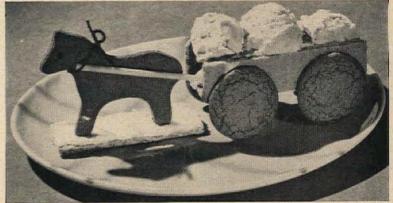
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This wagon's made of graham crackers and ginger cookies held together with frosting. The load is soft ice cream. Make wagon early so that the frosting is hard enough to support the ice cream.

FUN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Here's a suggestion that will make children forget they're eating something that's "good for them." What child won't be tickled with these little pear bunnies who appear to be nibbling on the shredded lettuce? Small notches cut in pears divide their head from their body. And look at the delectable extras! Marshmallows make the tails; almonds are ears and currants are eyes.

Do you need another salad to tempt those youngsters of yours? Treat them to Salad Sue. Her hard-cooked egg head has a smiling pimento mouth and spicy clove eyes. And those golden locks are really grated carrots. Further camouflage for the nutrients you'd like to see the kiddies beg you for are Salad Sue's tomato body and endive skirt—all of which make her a vitamin-filled girl indeed.







These engaging ducks are made by knotting a 7-inch strip of roll dough before molding. Pinch out a beak and add clove eyes. Let dough rise and bake. Then float on hot stew just before serving.



Brighten the plate with Ocean Spray

1. Cranberry Fruit Salad. Refreshmain course...or a light, modern dessert: fresh fruits ked with tangy, cool Ocean Spray Jellied Cranberry Sauce. an Spray's bright fruit flavor blends excitingly with pine-

e, with oranges, melons or berries - all fresh fruits!

ed. Ocean Spray is a natural hot-weather food!

any-Hour Dinner. Family always on the go? Fry chicken in cool of morn. Come dinner time, serve it cold, with shiming rounds of Ocean Spray Cranberry Sauce. Chilled and

3. Cranberry Soufflé Salad. Make a molded seafood or chicken salad by softening 1 tbsp. unflavored gelatin in ½ cup cold water. Heat ½ cups vegetable or chicken stock to boiling. Stir in gelatin. When dissolved, cool till syrupy in consistency.

Then add 3 tbsp. máyonnaise, 2 tbsp. chopped green pepper, 2 tbsp. diced celery, 3 tbsp. minced Ocean Spray Jellied Cranberry Sauce, ½ cup slivered almonds and 1½ cups cooked flaked seafood or chopped chicken. Pour into mold. Chill until firm. To serve, crown with cubes of chilled and Jellied Ocean Spray Complexes. Severe

Cooling! Cranberry Juice Cocktail

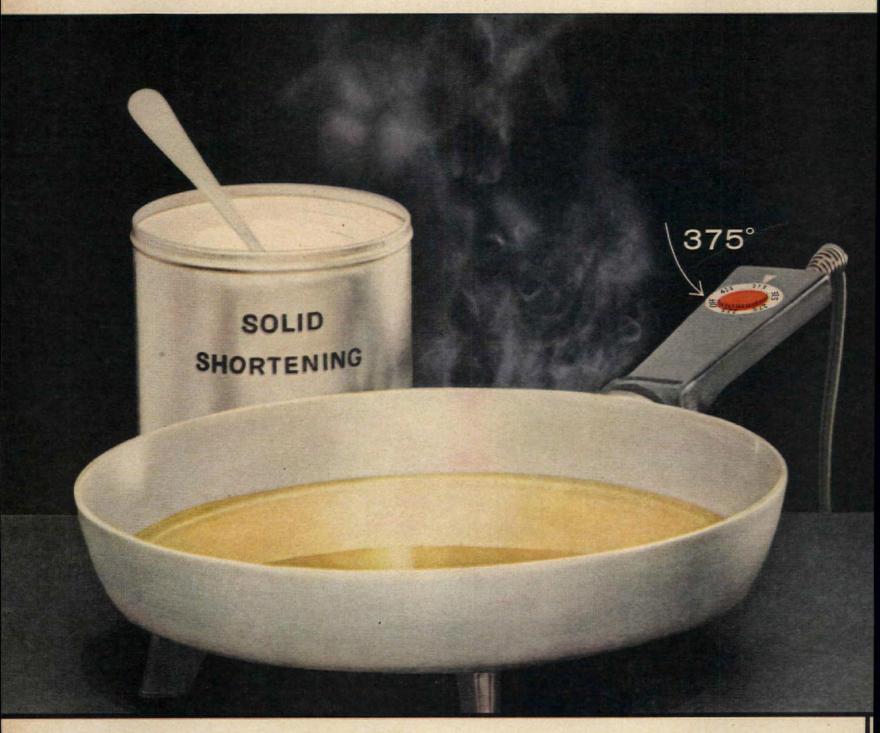
Cool off with iced, dry-tart Ocean Spray Cranberry Juice Cocktail. Serve it "straight", blend with other juices, muddle with sherbet. Or use as a mix. At all supermarkets.



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For details about table appointments, see "Where Credit Is Due," page 122

CREAMY RICE RING WITH FRUIT SAUCE,

our first recipe in this collection of six, is just a sample of what you can do with a package of rice. One mouthful of this delicacy will leave run-of-the-mill desserts behind forever. Of course it is fancier looking when molded in a ring and filled with the fruit sauce garnish. But it can be spooned into a sherbet or nappie for more casual serving.

COFFEE ALMOND PUDDING is our second recipe suggestion from a package of rice. And whether served hot or cold it's one of the creamiest, most melt-in-the-mouth puddings you have ever tasted. The "built-in" meringue helps, along with coffee and toasted almonds, to give the rice an unforgettable flavor that'll have 'em asking for seconds!

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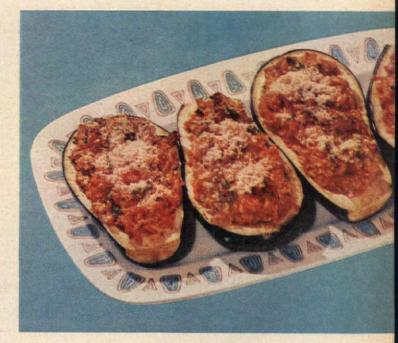
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SALMON RICE SALAD is another kitchen-tested, taste-tested rice recipe we're happy to be sharing with you. The directions call for cooked salmon, but you can use canned or fresh—it doesn't matter. You'll find the result makes a wonderful one-dish meal—a perfect solution for hot-weather menus. It's easy to see why one-dish meals are becoming more and more popular as busy homemakers discover what timesavers they really are.



RICE-STUFFED EGGPLANT will give you an opportunity to introduce your family, in a subtle way, to the intriguing flavor of eggplant. For it's the kind of flavor that, shall we say, generally needs to be "cultivated"—like olives! In this recipe the eggplant shell is stuffed with a savory mixture of rice, eggplant pulp, tomato paste and seasonings; then it's topped with a golden layer of bread crumbs and baked to a delicious, mouth-watering turn. Try it out soon!





SHRIMP AND HAM JAMBALAYA is a perfect recipe to have around when a baked ham has reached the stage of bits and pieces. It's also a dish you can keep going for days by occasionally adding new ingredients. Into the pot of course goes ham and, in addition, other leftover meat, shrimp, minced clams and lots of interesting seasonings. Make ahead of time and keep it warm in the oven.

CREAMY RICE PATTIES, our sixth rice recipe, is really a "company special." No matter how you've fixed rice before to serve with meat, game or fowl, we'll bet these rice patties will beat them for wonderful taste and flavor—so crisp on the outside, so just-right creamy on the inside. They're also a dish that can be mixed and refrigerated beforehand, so that the only last-minute task is the browning.







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When entertaining
the Baums cooperate with their
friends, pooling the results
in one delicious meal

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on't be misled by the informality of Mrs. Baum's entertaining as we described it on page 48. It appears so casual and easy, but she plans every detail as carefully as if she were preparing each dish herself in her own kitchen. "One important help," to quote Mrs. Baum again, "is to write down, as far ahead as possible, a complete menu of the planned meal. I do it on a large sheet of wrapping paper divided into three columns. The proposed menu goes into one column, what I furnish and what each guest will bring goes into the next two. Naturally the biggest share of the labor and the expense falls on the hostess, but after all, the next time it will be someone else's turn."

We liked Mrs. Baum's idea of serving PIZZA PIE and ANTIPASTO as hors d'oeuvres, SPACHETTI WITH MEAT SAUCE as the main course, with plenty for seconds. There was a luscious green salad tossed with an icy dressing, loaves of Italian bread spread with her own special GARLIC BREAD SPREAD, olives and other snack items, and a simply scrumptious homemade QUICK SPUMONI for dessert. And of course, to top it all off, Italian after-dinner coffee.

You Should Know.

THERE IS ONE QUESTION that we've frequently been asked by our readers—"Why don't you

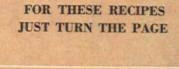
food editors develop more recipes using wine as a flavoring ingredient?" So we feel you should know the real answer. We have purposely avoided the use of wine in cookery because we've never wanted to offend our various friends who are

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"dry" as a matter of principle. And yet the most ardent teetotaler should have no twinge of conscience in using wine as an ingredient, for alcohol vaporizes in cooking, leaving only the flavor. For a very plausible reason too. The boiling point of alcohol is so much Iower than water, 172.4° as opposed to 212°, that in most instances it's cooked out in just the simmering stage. It is dissipated in a baking process for the same reason. That elusive "something special" about a particularly delectable dish is often due to wine,

even though a wine flavor is not easily discernible. The idea that cooking with wine is expensive is an-

other misconception. Take a recipe calling for half a cup of wine. That's perhaps 15-20¢ worth-not much for turning a simple dish into a gourmet food for 8-10 people.

NEW PACKAGE: an old standby, gelatine, goes modern in its new flip-top package...No more ragged tops, tipping boxes!

NEW PRODUCTS YOU MAY want to know about, include a cream puff mix that's just about as foolproof a product as we've ever tried. It comes in two homogenized sticks so you can bake a half- or full batch. In frozen

food compartments you'll see a new 8-oz. package of mixed seafood, including tender sea scallops, fish bites (tiny fish-andpotato cakes), fish sticks, shrimp, clams. PLEASE TURN THE PAGE

quick pizza

11/4 c. biscuit mix 3 tbs. shortening

3 tbs. milk

11/2 tsp. olive oil

1 can (#21/2) Italian tomatoes with tomato paste*

1/2 tsp. salt

* or use I can (#21/2) Italian tomatoes, well drained, and I can (6 oz.) tomato paste.

· Measure biscuit mix into bowl; cut in shortening. Add milk and stir until soft dough is formed. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead until smooth-about 30 seconds. Roll into a 12 inch circle, about 1/8 inch thick. Place in ungreased pizza pan or on cookie sheet. Turn under 1/2 inch around edge. Brush with olive oil. Spread tomatoes and paste evenly over dough. Sprinkle with seasonings and cheeses. If desired, top with anchovies, salami and mushrooms. Bake in hot oven (425°F.) 20-25 minutes, or until browned. Cut in wedges.

135 cal. per serving

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Preparation time: 20 min. Baking time: 20-25 min.

1/4 tsp. crushed red pepper (optional)

4 oz. Mozzarella cheese, grated (1 c.)

salami; drained cooked mushrooms

Rolled anchovies; pieces of sliced

tbs. grated Parmesan cheese

1/4 tsp. pepper

1/4 to 1/2 tsp. oregano

An additional convenience of this package is an inner lining of aluminum foil which opens out and acts as the "cooking pan."

HAVE YOU EVER SERVED COLORED RICE? We never had. But one of our readers, Mrs. Barbara Erfits does. She practically colorcoordinates a meal. She merely adds food coloring to the water in which she cooks her rice, selecting colors that match or blend with food colors on her menu. This seems like a timely suggestion for the month in which we have given you six delicious recipes that can be made with rice.

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Preparation time: 15 Chilling time: 3 hrs.

quick spumoni

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AMERICAN HOME Hamily RECIPES

(pictured in color on page 85)

out paper warm water, turn into cover with waxed cream

cream c. heavy cream, whipped qt. softened vanilla ice cr

finely chopped pistachio nuts toasted almonds c.

and whipped c. finely chopped canaracteries, pineapple, lemon and orange peel and citron)

rn into chilled r-quart mold, cover with hours. To unmold, dip quickly in warm w with additional chopped nuts, if desired. extract almond fruits and nuts, well. Turn into hours. about 3 h ice cream; blend freeze until firm, a cold platter and s chopped Fold

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0 THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS B in Tested • garlic bread

2 long loaves Italian or French bread 1/2 c. melted butter or margarine 1/4 tsp. garlic salt*

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

1/2 c. grated Parmesan cheese celery seed, poppy seed or caraway seed

* or omit garlic salt and add 1 sliced clove of garlic to the melted butter. Let stand about 15 minutes; remove garlic.

• Slice bread almost through, about 1/2 inch from bottom. Brush melted butter or margarine over the cut surfaces; sprinkle with garlic salt and grated cheese and also with any one of the above-named seeds. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and bake in hot oven (400°F.) 10 minutes, or until browned. Serve immediately.

Serves 8

265 cal. per serving

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spaghetti sauce baccara

Preparation time: 15 min. Cooking time: 1 hr.

1/2 lb. ground top round of beef i medium onion, chopped 1/4 c. butter or margarine 1/2 tsp. salt

½ tsp. pepper ½ c. red wine (optional) I can (151/2 oz.) tomato puree* 2 c. water

* or use 2 cans (6 oz.) tomato paste; increase water if necessary.

· Sauté ground beef and onion in butter in large saucepan until well browned. Add remaining ingredients and simmer I hour. Serve over hot, cooked capellini or spaghettini.

530 cal. per serving

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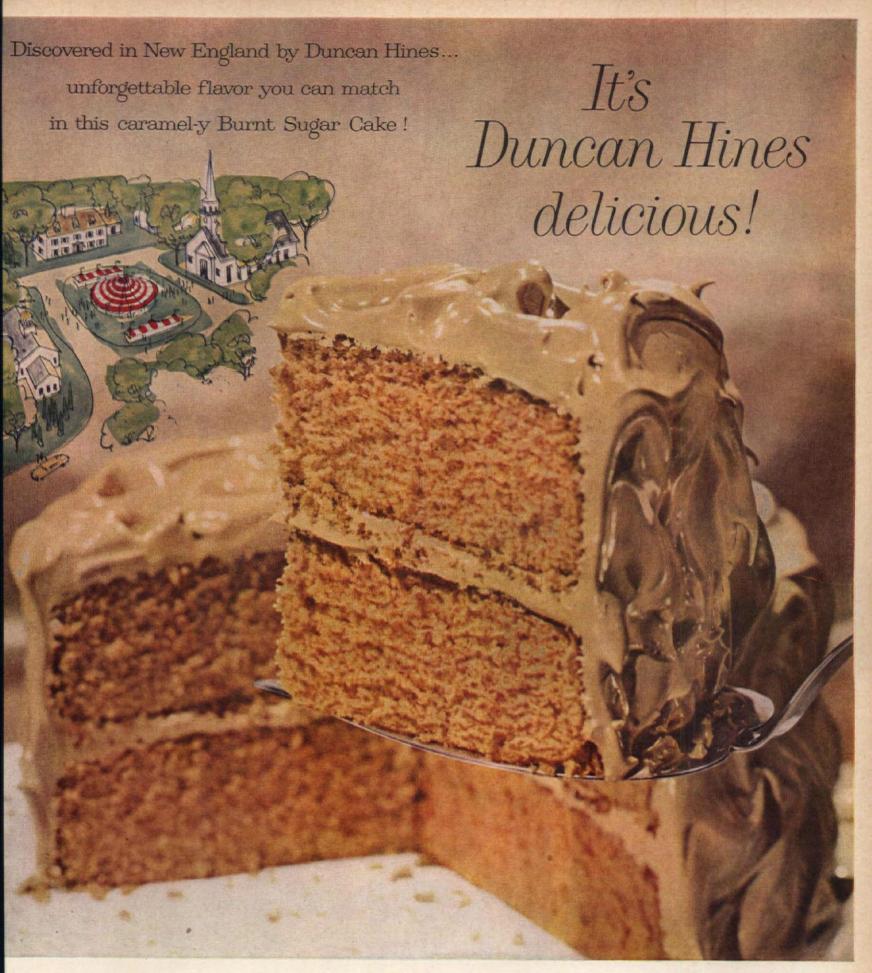
TO USE UP END-OF-SEASON VEGETABLES

We suggest pickling them. You've frozen them, canned them-so now try mixing them altogether into what we call THE LAST OF THE GARDEN PICKLE RELISH. A turmeric sauce is delicious.



TO FREEZE SLICED PEACHES DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE SUGGESTS:

Cover them with a cool cooked syrup made of 3 c. sugar, 4 c. water, 3/4 tsp. ascorbic acid (dissolved in water), Seal air-tight and fastfreeze to keep them.





The golden, glorious secret is in the little packet of syrup inside the box. Infinite skill and split-second timing have captured perfect caramel-y richness (there's enough syrup for icing too). Tonight, serve this moist-rich Burnt Sugar Cake with the unforgettable goodness that won highest praise from America's authority on good eating . . . Duncan Hines! You'll be mighty cake-proud any time you bake with the mixes signed "Duncan Hines"!



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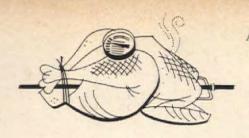
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... makes the kind of lively, bright salad dressing so popular with American families. Even children like dressing made-fresh and delicious-with new American French Mix. Try it on fruit salads, cottage cheese, molded vegetable salads, too!

GOOD SEASONS SALAD DRESSING MIX

Take a Package of Rice

(pictured in color on page 82)



3 c. water and liquid from minced clams

2 tbs. chopped parsley

14 tsp. pepper I ths. flour 1 can (101/2 oz.) minced clams, drained

11/2 c. cooked shrimp (about ½ Ib.)

% c. uncooked regular rice*

I can (#2 tomatoes)

Few grains each nutmeg, cloves and cayenne

14 tsp. each thyme and chili powder

1 bay leaf

11/2 c. diced cooked ham (about 3/4 lb.)

½ c. chopped green pepper I medium onion, chopped 2 tbs. butter or margarine

Insure perfect roast with your rotisserie by using a meat thermometer. Push it at an angle into the center of the meat, but not so the point touches the spit or bone. For ham or leg of lamb, insert in heaviest area.

 creamy rice patties · coffee almond pudding rice-stuffed eggplant

ham jambalaya shrimp and

Preparation time: I hour

Preparation time: 30 min. Baking time: 30 min.

can (8 oz.) tomato paste

c. grated carrot

1 tbs. chopped parsley

14 c. buttered bread crumbs

· Cut each eggplant in half lengthwise; cut out pulp to make shell for filling

paste, water, grated carrot, rice and the eggplant pulp. Bring to a boil, cover and simmer about 20 minutes or until liquid is absorbed. Add parsley and bacon. Spoon mixture into shells. Top with buttered bread crumbs. Place in shallow baking dish with small amount of water, and bake in moderate oven (350°F.) 30 to 35 minutes or until browned

170 cal, per serving

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340 cal. per serving

Serves 6

Melt butter or margarine in large saucepan. Sauté green pepper, onion and ham until lightly browned. Stir in seasonings, flour and parsley. Add liquid and tomatoes; bring to a boil. Add rice, cover and simmer 35 to 40 minutes, or until rice is tender. Add shrimp and clams; heat thoroughly.

*Or use 33 cup precooked rice and simmer only about 13 minutes.

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salmon rice salad



1/2 tsp. salt 1/4 tsp. pepper 1/2 tsp. oregano

medium onion, chopped slices bacon, diced medium eggplants

dice and reserve.

Fry bacon; drain. Sauté onions in bacon fat until tender. Add seasonings, tomato

Serves 4-6

Take a Package of Rice

(pictured in color on page 82)



You needn't lose these recipes! Keep your recipe collection up to date in the most practical, easy-to-use and business-like file ever—The American HOME Menu Maker. It's a smart and easy-to-carry steel file box. To get yours, send \$2.50 to:

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I c. flaked cooked salmon (I can-7 oz.) r hard cooked egg, chopped 1/2 c. sliced cucumber 1/2 c. chopped celery 1 tsp. horseradish 1/2 c. regular or 3/3 c. precooked rice, un-½ c. french dressing
¾ c. mayonnaise
½ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. pepper
I tbs. finely chopped onion cooked

· Cook rice according to package directions. Add french dressing to the hot lightly. Chill at least 1 hour before serving

rice (about 11/2 c.). Cool to room temperature. Add remaining ingredients; mix

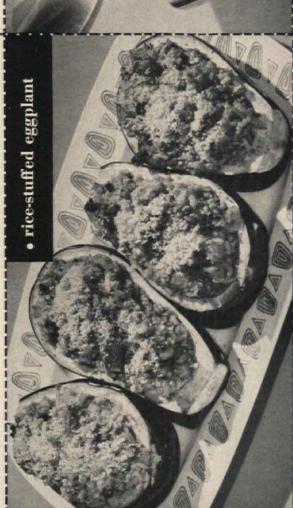
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ham jambalaya

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creamy rice patties

Preparation time: 30 min.

1/8 tsp. basil 1 egg, slightly beaten

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1 c. milk**

1 tbs. finely chopped onion 2 tbs. butter or margarine 2 tbs. flour 2 tbs. sugar 11/2 c. cooked rice*

1/2 c. toasted slivered almonds

3 egg whites 6 tbs. sugar

t tsp. vanilla 2 tbs. instant coffee

Preparation time: 30 min.

coffee almond pudding

c. regular or 1/2 c. precooked rice

tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. salt

*Use 1/2 c. regular or 3/3 c. pre-cooked rice; cook according to package directions. ½ c. dry bread crumbs 3 tbs. shortening **Or use reconstituted non-fat dry milk

Combine rice, salt and milk in top of double boiler. Cover and cook over boiling water about 20 to 25 minutes, or until rice is tender and almost all milk is absorbed.
 Fluff rice occasionally with a fork. Combine egg yolks with a small amount of the

*or use reconstituted non-fat dry milk

egg yolks, slightly beaten

c. sugar milk*

foamy; gradually beat in 6 tbs, sugar and beat to form stiff peaks. Fold hot rice

sugar and the vanilla. Stir egg yolk mixture into the rice. Add remaining sugar, instant coffee and almonds. Cook another 1 minute; remove from heat. Beat egg whites until mixture carefully into meringue. Pour into 11/2 quart baking dish; place under broiler

3-5 min. or until top is well browned. Serve warm or cold. For a more elegant appearance, reserve about 1/3 of the meringue before adding

Brown as above.

rice and spread this over the top.

300 cal, per serving

cover with waxed paper and chill until firm. Cut into squares or rectangles, and dip each pattie first in beaten egg, then in bread crumbs. Melt shortening in skillet, fry each pattie, turning to brown both sides. Drain on absorbent paper. Serve with mixture thickens and comes to a boil. Add cooked rice. Pour into 8- or 9-inch pan, Sauté onion in butter or margarine until tender; stir in flour, sugar, salt, and basil Add one egg combined with milk. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, as a meat accompaniment currant jelly

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Chilling time: I houn

salmon rice salad

with fruit sauce

1/4 c. sugar 1/2 tsp. vanilla 21/2 c. milk*

is absorbed. Fluff rice gently with a fork several times during cooking. Add gelatine, stir until melted; then add sugar and vanilla; cool. Fold in whipped cream. Pour into 1-quart or 6 to 8 individual ring molds and chill until firm. To turn out mold,

Fruit Sauce: Thaw and drain 1 pkg. each frozen raspberries and sliced peaches. Combine 2 tbs. cornstarch, ½ c. sugar and ¼ tsp. salt in saucepan. Add 1 c. fruit juice; cook and stir over medium heat until mixture thickens. Add 1 tbs.

dip quickly in warm water. Serve with Fruit Sauce.

not be molded. Omit gelatine and pour mixture into serving

over fruit. Serve warm or cold.

lemon juice; pour

bowl to chill Note: Dessert

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475 cal. per serving

• Dissolve gelatine in cold water. Combine rice, salt and milk in saucepan. Bring to a boil; cover and simmer about 20 minutes or until rice is tender and almost all milk

*or use reconstituted non-fat dry

1 c. heavy cream, whipped

2 tsp. gelatine 3 tbs. cold water ½ c. uncooked regular rice or ¾ c. pre-

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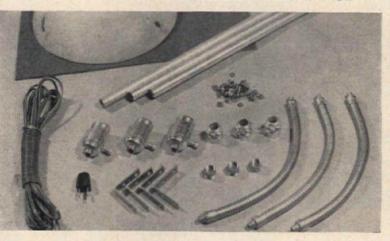
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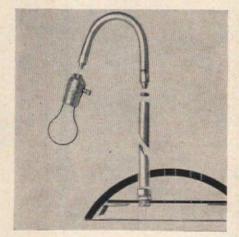


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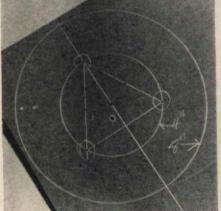
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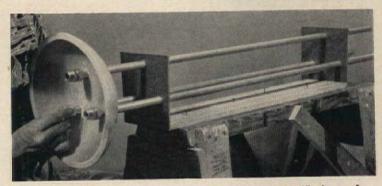
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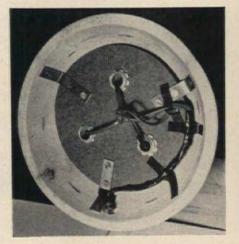
Make the lamp base from a salad bowl. First remove wax finish, using coarse sandpaper, and drill three 3/4" holes in the bottom of bowl at equidistant points around the 4-inch circle. These holes receive the 1/2" thinwall conduit. Connectors are tightened on conduit ends before putting on hardboard bottom.

Since conduit must be anchored rigidly inside base, cut 8" disc out of hardboard; draw 4" circle and drill 3 more 34" holes around it in bottom of bowl. Conduit uprights can be slipped through bowl where connectors are attached and tightened.





To align uprights, make a temporary support of two 6x6" pieces of hardboard with 34" holes drilled in the same position as they were in bowl bottom; nail 6" pieces to ends of a 24" length of scrap board or plywood. Slip conduit uprights through the holes.



Bottom view of base shows hardboard disc secured by screws, stove bolts and small angle irons bent to curve of bowl. Attach goosenecks; connect light sockets with lampcord; thread wire through lamp; splice to main wire; for wall outlet, connect plug.

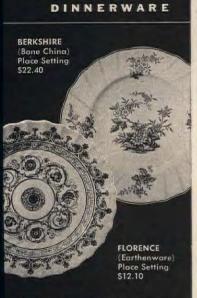
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"Here, for example, the batten door of the closet, displaying a collection of antique trivets and cookie cutters, still wears its original wrought-iron latch. On one side, which we've dubbed the 'Gossip Corner,' a barn-red shelf holds a telephone, and for a lengthy conversation there's a piano stool decorated with a Pennsylvania Dutch 'hex sign.' Above is a collection of tin and wooden kitchen implements. In one corner there's also space for the little arrow-back rocker, my favorite chair and place for braiding rugs. To make room for my collection of miniature lamps, pewter, and choice antique pieces, Bill built the shelves and cupboards. There's really a place for everything and most of it's used every day."

In the living room a halfspindle settee with a denim seat cushion invites the weary traveler to come in and "sit a spell." The dry sink holds some handsome white ironstone teapots and tureens.

The Boston rocker finds a cozy corner between the drop leaf table and the built-in cupboard whose shelves are filled with favorite antique pieces. The clock you see is of antique vintage, too.







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A red brick wall—elegant complement to the dining area. Special serving nook has marble counter, ceramic tile wall. The Earnests use it for buffet service of family room and dining room.

Homey touches—a braided rug and provincial curtains! We'll wager Barbara gets plenty of light but has privacy too, with these café-type curtains. A decorative valance at the top gives a finishing touch. Pull-down blind of the same material gives protection from the sun.

EDITH RAMSAY

lavabo with hibiscus from the garden, pine, black hinges, wood beams, a brick chimney wall, a rocker for just plain rocking, a pantry back in favor . . . all amid autumnal colors: reds, yellows and browns! What could be more American? That's what endears this kitchen to the Walter Earnests of Miami, Florida. BUT, there is another reason, too. Plus the added charm of Early Americana, there's a certain confidence and security of having very modern equipment to make this charming kitchen functional. There's not one thing in the kitchen line that the Earnests want to indulge themselves in that they cannot do. Yet have they forfeited anything American? I should say not! As collectors of antiques, the Earnests favor their kitchen. They built a very high shelf atop the pine wall for these collector's items -handsome to look at and away from danger's reach!

This entertainment-minded family find it's a snap the way their kitchen is arranged. At left, daughter Barbara Earnest Bynum and granddaughter Beth, who visit the family often from nearby Miami Shores, help do their bit toward a yummy dinner about to be served. Eating area, close enough to the cooking area, yet far enough away to have that "apart" feeling, is handsomely lighted by a pull-down replica of an old-fashioned kerosene lamp. Just off the eating area is the utility room with the washer and dryer. A favorite spot for Mrs. Earnest, she reserves a space here for her very own. She calls it her "sitting corner." Off the utility room is a walk-in old-fashioned pantry. The cooking and serving area boasts a built-in oven and cooking surface and marble counter top. Other touches of functional materials include a ceramic-tile wall; spatter-design flooring in reds, yellows, browns-both easy to clean.

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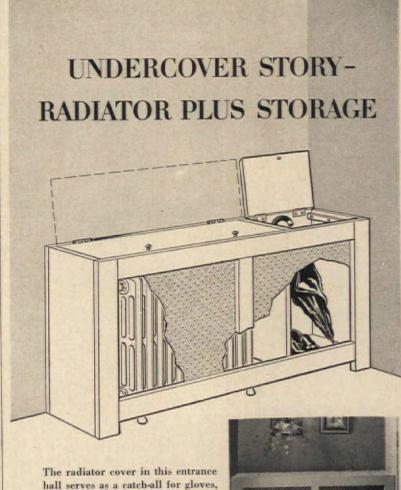
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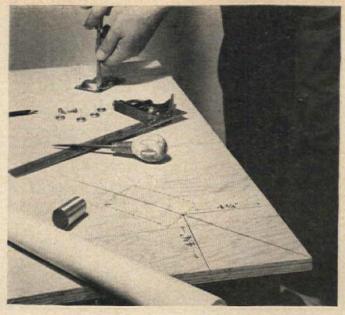


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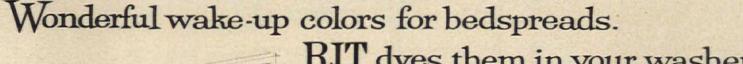
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HOW TO MAKE A COFFEE TABLE





The Baums love this big coffee table, and so many friends admired it that we decided to offer instructions for making it. It's a practical, good-looking table we think you'll want to try. First of all you'll need some essential materials, so grab a pad and pencil and make a list. You'll require a piece of 1/2-inch plywood, about 30x471/4"; one piece of one-side walnut veneer plywood, 211/2x383/4", and a piece of cardboard the same size. Then you'll need some adhesive for the plywood and some 32 tiles, 41/4x41/4" in size. Don't forget adhesive for the tiles. Finishing touches will include 14 feet of walnut stripping, 1/4x13/16" in size, and a set of four brass-tipped legs with their fixtures and screws.





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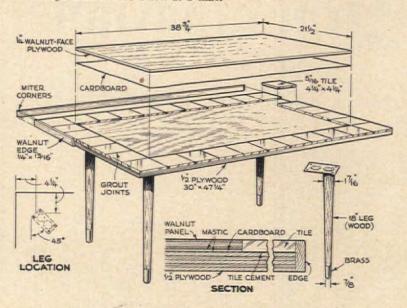
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Let's begin: First, mark off corners as shown. Draw a line around the ½-inch plywood table top, 4½ inches in from the edges on all sides so you can use it as a guide for laying the tiles. Place one tile in each corner and continue laying them. These will be in place temporarily, to mark positions with pencil. Remove tiles, brushing on enough adhesive for a few. Position corner tile, follow with two more. Start from opposite corner and repeat.

Finish one side and repeat on the other side. Since the adhesive dries fairly rapidly, use only a little at a time as recommended. Clean off all surplus adhesive. Allow tiles to set overnight. Brush on a coat of adhesive for plywood, then set cardboard in place.

Put tiles in place temporarily and mark location. Remove tiles, brush on enough adhesive for a few at a time.



Brush another coat of adhesive over the top of cardboard; set walnut plywood panel in place. Allow to dry thoroughly.

Remove brass tips from legs by unscrewing at the bottom. Sand entire table, including legs. Stain legs a light walnut; dry 24 hours and sand lightly. Brush on a coat of clear lacquer or pure white shellac, mixed as follows: 5 parts of wood alcohol to one part of best quality shellac. Dry, and dry thoroughly. When you're sure, rub surface with a mixture of several teaspoons of rottenstone mixed with boiled linseed oil to the consistency of a thick paste. Rub on lightly with the grain of the wood. Dry, wipe off any surplus. After two weeks the table may be waxed.

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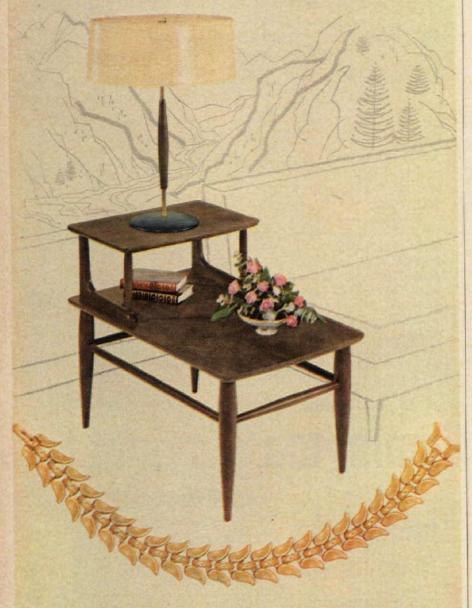
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Turn of a Knob

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plan might feature a long fluorescent wall light bracket extending across the entire bed wall at a height of about 4 feet 9 inches above the floor, as shown in the photo below. Paint or paper the bracket board to match your bedroom wall. Or you might also "upholster" the wall in the material used for your bed spread. By using separate switches on the fluorescent lamps (bulbs) over each bed, individual light control can be exercised (for reading, etc.). If your walls are painted, large, rather important pictures can be nicely lighted in this manner when hung on the wall over the light bracket. The dimmer permits a soft glow or a brilliantly bathed wall to add to the room's effectiveness. Light from this type of installation is directed both up and down.



Should you be one of those fortunate persons who are planning or building a new home, don't overlook the tremendous saving made possible by building your lighting in along with your architectural and decorative features. Whenever you have an area that you want to dramatize, play up, show off, or enjoy to its greatest extent, consider the use of a dimmer system and featured lighting.

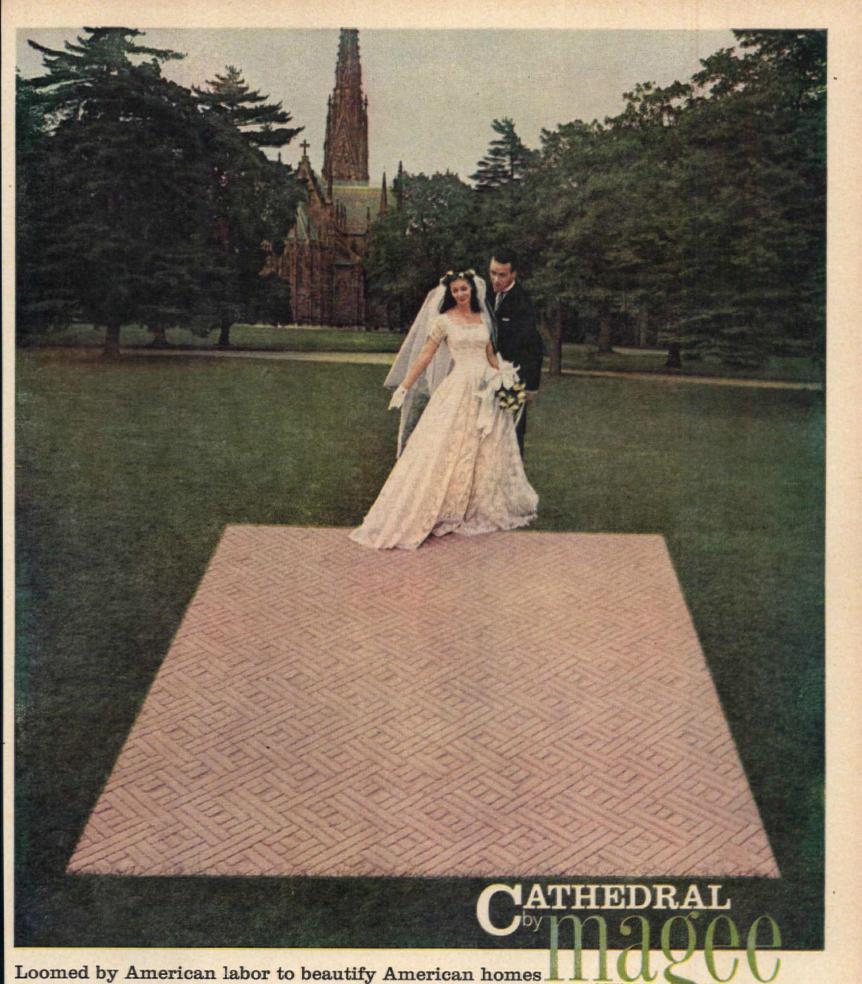
Some general rules of use that might be helpful when planning your room areas are:

Bright colored walls grow brighter when the amount of light thrown on them is increased. Pale-colored walls grow even paler, by the same token.

If you want to "step up" a wall color use light that adds some of that same color to it. Blue bulbs make a blue room even more so, and pink bulbs added to a pink room increase the apparent warmth of tone. Opposite colors tend to gray or neutralize their opposite wall tones; green will "gray" down a pink wall and pink will "neutralize" somewhat a green wall. But that is part of the fun made possible by today's bag of electric decorating tricks. A room decorated with white walls and quite a bit of white elsewhere in the room will seem very cool and tranquil under blue or green bulbs. The same room shows great warmth and seems a little smaller when all light bulbs and lighting are amber, gold or pink.

If you decide to use a particular shade of lighting in a room try to be consistent in your light plan so that you do not create a "patchwork" pattern of several kinds of colored lighting, unless that is the effect you want. The use of your room will more or less dictate the effect desired. Some recreation or family rooms as they are now called, can use a variety of light colors if you plan them carefully. Colored lights projected on a white ceiling, well concealed as to source, when combined with compatible colors in the furnishings of the rest of the room, can create a gay, carefree mood.

The most important thing to remember is to plan how to use light well, not just let it "happen." Learn to know equipment and materials as well as your family's habits, needs and desires, so they'll be even happier-when you've finished. THE END



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ere's a house full of sunshine and color-yellow and white and flower-filled! Once a nondescript, rather stereotyped Colonial, circa 1925, it was brought into the light under the creative care of an owner who's both a garden enthusiast and an amateur decorator of some renown.

Like many homes of its period, the house was well built, with nicely proportioned rooms and a good-sized lot with large, stately trees. But, as the owner complained, "The place was too dark to suit us, so we just let the sunshine in." Letting the sunshine in took many a subtle stroke both inside and out, as you'll soon see.

The finished effect centers about the skillful arrangement of the conservatory, a 9x8' working greenhouse that has proved a genuine ornament to the east side of the house. On the opposite side, to balance the conservatory, a small bay window (with

Chippendale railing above it) was added to the living room. The new window also serves to let in much more light than had three small, high windows in the original living room.

Together with a new front shutter-door, the exterior has been finished off with a sparkling overall paint treatment in yellow and white.

The interior displays further

At the entrance to her garden the owner stands beside a distinguished example of her collection of antiques-an intricately patterned wrought iron gate of Georgian origin.



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evidence of the owner's touch. It is equally bright and cheerful, with flower-colors of misty blues and greens, pinks and golds, enhanced by the warm fruitwood tones of French and Italian antiques and reproductions. A Dutch door replacing a window now connects the dining room with the conservatory, where the morning sun can shine upon gold draperies.

Without sacrificing the trees in the side yard, the owner managed to both brighten her living room and turn this shady spot, a mere 18 feet wide, into a distinguished garden. Year-long greenery is achieved by bordering the flagstone walk and terrace with myrtle, ivy and evergreen shrubs.

Designed primarily for privacy, the natural wood lattice of the garden wall also makes an interesting textural backdrop for innumerable arrangements of potted plants and flowers from the conservatory. You'll notice sunny portions of the wall spotlighted by the glowing red of potted geraniums. The wall's brick base has been given a light coat of white paint to make it look like an old wall's peeling painted surface.

One end of the terrace forms a conversational center where the owner and friends can relax in comfortable wrought iron furniture to enjoy to the fullest measure the beauties of the surroundings. Summer or winter, you have the feeling actual weather doesn't really matter—everything here's so peaceful and inviting.

proportions and solid build of its greenhouse, a bay window and sunny colors

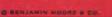
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The chief gardener surveys her handiwork, the shadowy side yard which she transformed into a distinguished garden spot. Wrought iron furniture forms a comfortable group at one end of the terrace.





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THEY SPENT THEIR TALENTS ON THE INSIDE



Snack bar counter conceals radiator; stock size stools fit under it nicely. Lowered ceiling hides stairway overhang; recessed spots light corner.

One of the first steps was to install a plaster board ceiling throughout and finish it with textured paint. Next, pecky fir paneling hid the old-fashioned wallpaper and created a new mood for the living-dining room. Used horizontally on two walls, the panels cut down the apparent height of the 10-foot ceilings. Doors were faced with harmonizing grooved plywood.

Decorative tour de force in the living room is the planter which took nine inches of floor space. But even part of this serves as storage.

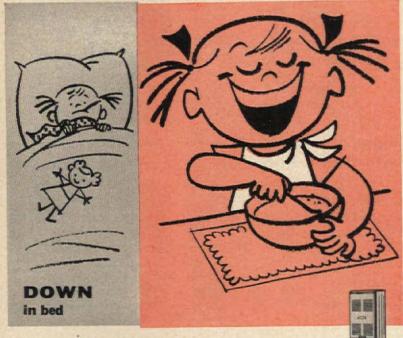
In the kitchen a snack bar and compact food preparation center were arranged for maximum efficiency. Kitchen door is made of wood and shutter folding panels, giving a maximum usable space for a narrow doorway.

Now that it's done, the renovating ideas seem obvious, but it took daring imagination to make this house serve its owners so well.



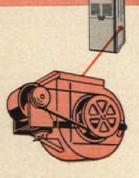
Kitchen work counter has drawers and cabinet for utensil storage; will hold knives, pans, other utensils. The sliding doors of overhead cabinets are Masonite panels.

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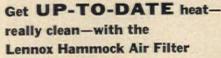


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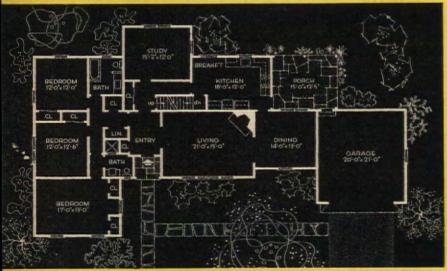
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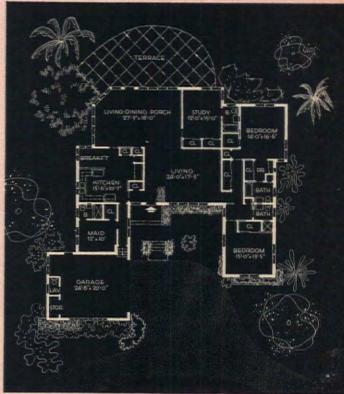
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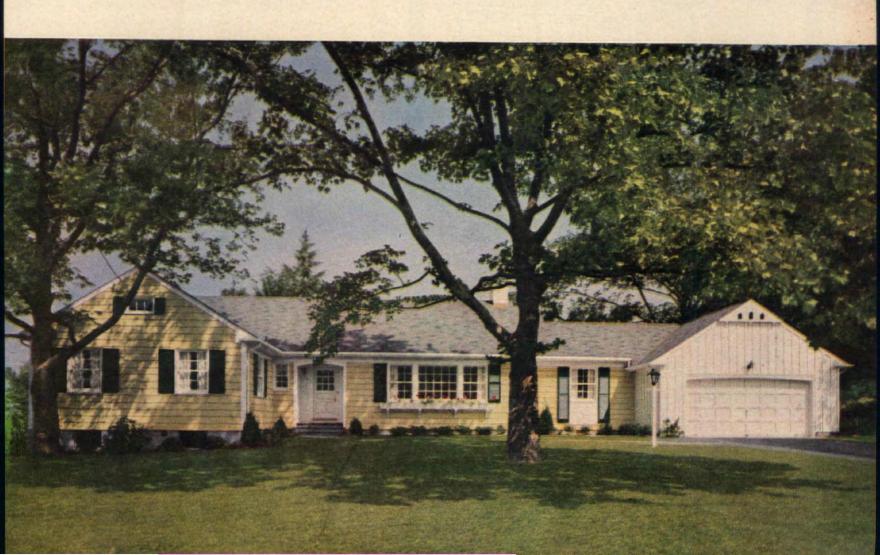


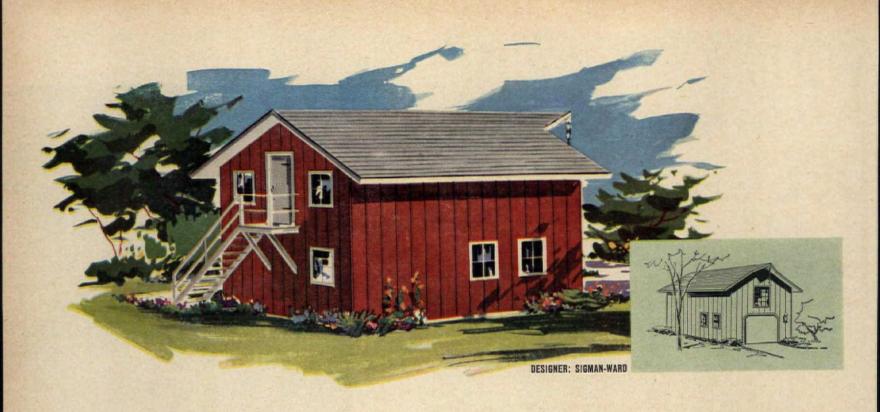
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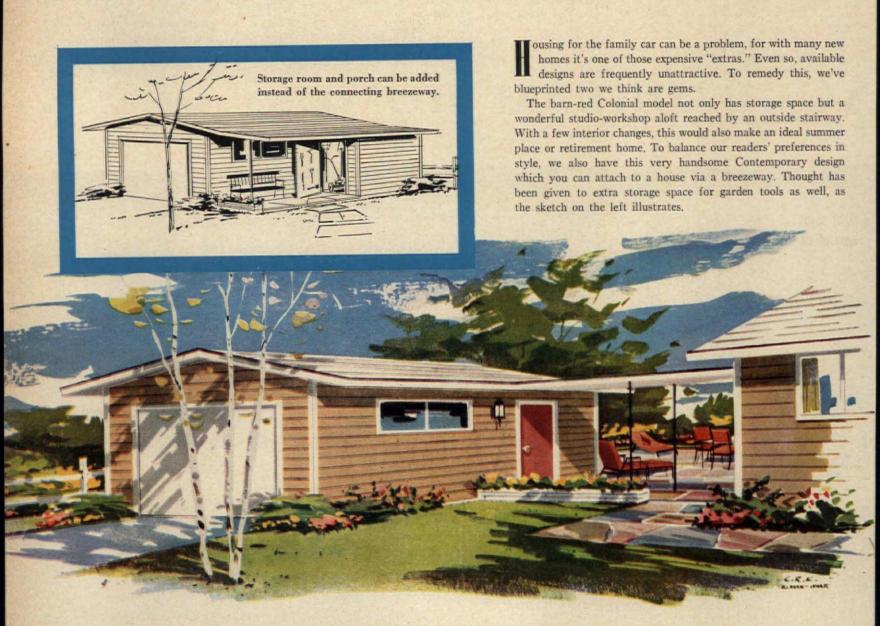
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(Begins on page 69)

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To determine how much wood you'll need for a job, multiply the height by the length of each wall. This will give you the total area in square feet. From this figure your local lumber dealer can tell you how much wood you'll need, considering height of wall and allowing for waste.

Wood for the job should be stored for a week or so in the room in which it is to be used. Spacers should be put between the boards to allow air to circulate. Storage allows wood to adjust to humidity of room so there's less chance of it shrinking or expanding. Great care should be taken with kiln-dried lumber to prevent its absorbing moisture. Don't have it delivered in wet, humid weather, and don't store it in any place except a very dry location.

If wood is to be stained, it's best to do it before wood is fastened to the wall. This will make it easier to do and eliminate the possibility of unstained areas being exposed should the wood shrink to any great degree.

When paneling a basement game room or applying paneling over a masonry wall that may become damp. it's best if waterproof building paper is applied over the furring strips before installation. Prime-paint back of wood or coat with wood preservative.

If the wall becomes exceptionally damp it's best to coat it with some waterproofing compound and treat wood furring with a preservative to eliminate the possibility of decay.

Most wood paneling is manufactured with a tongue and groove. To conceal nail heads fasten each board to the furring by driving finishing nails through the tongue at 50° angle. countersinking nails. Where face nailing is necessary, use finishing nails, countersinking heads and filling in with wood filler tinted with the stain to be used on the wood or with a wax that matches the finish.

The correct way to handle the base is first to fasten a piece of 1x8" furring to the wall or wall framework. To this is nailed the baseboard-be sure to get it level. The ends of each piece of paneling will rest on the top of the baseboard and can be fastened to the portion of the 1x8" furring that extends above the baseboard.

Installation of the paneling should start at a corner. Saw or plane off the groove of the first board and set this edge against the corner-make sure that it's plumb. Fasten the board in place by nailing through the tongue. The final board will have to have the tongue edge ripped off to fit and can be secured by face nailing. THE END



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Permanent lawn grasses, in the northern two-thirds of the country, should only be planted in late summer or early fall for best results. In the South, lawn sowing or planting is generally done in the spring.

Specifically, what should you plant this fall in your own area? First of all, remember that plant hardiness depends not only on geographical location, but also on altitude, moisture, prevailing winds, and so on. Therefore it's advisable to consult a reliable nurseryman in your immediate area, or your county agricultural agent at the county seat, before deciding what to do this fall.

Since trees and shrubs are usually the key plants of a garden designand also because they're relatively slow growing-it's best to select them first. So, with the help of your local experts, figure out as soon as you can how much you can do this fall and how much to put off until spring.

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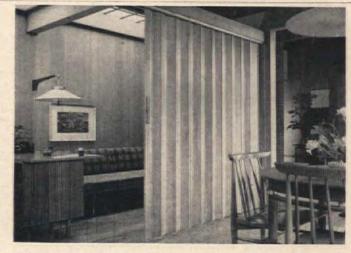
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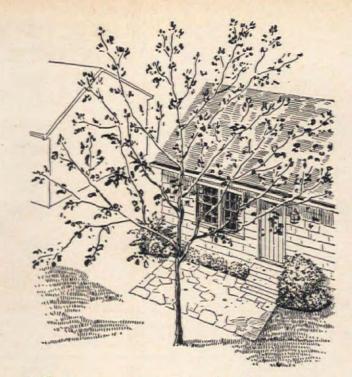


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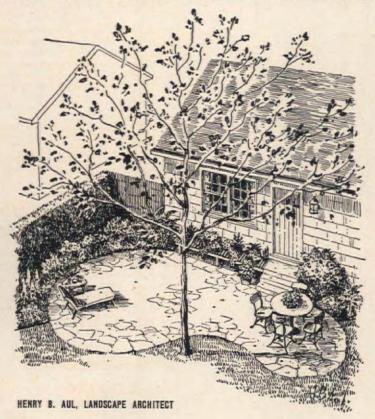


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