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Dr. Kotschevar, Director of Food Services and Professor of Home Economics at Montana State University, is also a fine cook and frequently prepares dinner for his wife and eight-year-old daughter. Dr. Kotschevar is a well-known writer in his field, gave us great pleasure by consenting to be our contributing food editor this month.

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## JEANNE LAMB O'NEILL-MOTHER, HOMEMAKER, WRITER

Jeanne O'Neill is a onetime one-career girl who now has many careers. A former advertising copywriter, she lives in Larchmont, N.Y., with husband John and two children.
"Looking after $41 / 2$-year-old Sean and $21 / 2$-year-old Cynthia is a full-time job," Mrs. O'Neill says, "but I still find time for some free-lancing writing." We are delighted that she does, and you will be, too, after you read her witty article appearing in this issue.

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## READERS' EXCHANGE

Our recent Americana issue sent somanycomplimentarylettersour way, we couldn't help but set two asideforour"Readers'Exchange" this month - a small sampling of the sentiments expressed by our many delighted readers.

And then, too, we wanted to share with all of you a happy reunion between old friends who found each other, after many years, through the pages of our magazine.

When we have such gratifying examples we feel that "Readers' Exchange" is truly an exchange of friendships and sentiments a column for and by our readers. We thank you for your contributions that keep it this way!
-the editors

## SALUTE TO AMERICANA!

Dear Editor:
I have just received my copy of The American HOME for August. It is, to my way of thinking, superb! The articles on Early American furnishings are so very interesting I bought four extra copies for friends.
-mRS. NOVA L. LEE
Dear Editor:
I wish to add my letter along with the many others that you have probably received telling you of the enjoyment the August issue has brought. I loved all the "Americana," it was wonderful! Let's always have a few pages each month along this line. I think too many other home magazines place too much emphasis on modern decor. The younger generation, becoming young homemakers, will not realize how beautiful and homey the new and old can be together,
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# How we retired in 15 years with ${ }^{\text {s }} 300$ a month 

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'Sue gave me a surprise party that year. During the evening, Dick Lauman got up and jokingly proposed a toast - "To the first old man of the crowd.
"Funny how that stuck in my mind. Days after, I found myself thinking about it. I had to agree with Dick. I was getting on. Actually, half my working years were over. It sort of frightened me, too. Especially when I thought how little I'd done to prepare for the day when I'd want to stop work.
"I had a good salary. But we just about managed to come out even every year. It almost seemed too late to begin to save. We could never save enough. And even if we didthere was always the danger of outliving our capital.
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furnishings, many young people are learning to combine both in a tasteful homefurnishings fashion.
-THE EDITORS
The long arm of coincidence reached out to tap The American HOME on the shoulder, and as a result we were able to bring about a reunion between two old friends who'd lost track of each other. Although we wouldn't dream of becoming involved in lost-andfound or missing-persons activities, we couldn't resist the opportunity that presented itself in the following correspondence:

## Dear Editor:

I am a subscriber to your very fine magazine and enjoy it so much. Recently, I saw a recipe for a "Baked Onion Casserole" submitted by an American HOME reader who had the same name as a lovely lady I knew some years ago. If your contributor is the same lady I knew, I would be most happy to renew our friendship. I would greatly appreciate having you contact her in this regard.
-MRS. HELEN R. FARQUHAR
We forwarded Mrs. Farquhar's letter and were so pleased to hear from Mrs. Farquhar just the other day. She writes ". . . through your efforts, I had a letter from my long-lost friend who is the same person I knew thirty years ago. She will be coming up thes way in the fall and we have arranged a meeting which will, I am sure, turn out to be a real 'gabfest.' It was only through the recipe section in your fine magazine that this reuniting of old friends has taken place. Thank you for your interest and excellent cooperation."

The pleasure is ours too!
-THE EDITORS
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## HOME-TYPE RANCH

DELORES BECKMAN

When I read the real estate ads, I can't help feeling a little shabby. Such glowing terms as "prestige homes," "executive-type homes" and "exclusive country living" float before my eyes, and I can feel a distinct slide downward in my so-called pride-of-ownership. But the one phrase that really gives me the whammies is "ranch-type home." I don't know why it should bother me so much, unless it's because I live on a ranch, where I have a home. But that is as far as the comparison goes!

A "ranch-type home" is usually described with eye-catching phrases such as "set on a knoll," "indoor-outdoor living," "terrific view," "home of tomorrow" and "Provincial darling." Its interiors are pictured with such captivating descriptions as "built-in hutch," "dishwasher," "inter-com system throughout" and "pegged floors." "Low-cut roof with overhang" is almost indispensable when selling a ranch-type home. Most of these terms I understand, through wide-awake awareness; others, such as "chalet-type fireplace" and "wet bar," really take an awful lot out of me. When I begin comparing these glowing modern conveniences and luxurious extras with my own home-type ranch, I am sadly out of step.

One phrase often used is "casual ranch theme." I presume this means a ranch where you can live casually. No one lives casually on our ranch; even the gophers have to outwit the cats if they want to survive. The weeds grow with a vigor not even remotely casual, and the wood that burns in our fireplace (red-brick type) was not casually chopped.
"Pegged floors" is another term that intrigues me. Well, we do have pegged floors. They are pegged with holes made by furniture legs and rocks in the soles of shoes, and little boys with high hammers and low brains. There is even one peg where I dropped my steam iron point down.

Then there is that "inter-com system throughout." We haven't got that, unless you can call a cat
getting caught in the screen door and being heard distinctly in the back bedrooms a system. My husband and children have an inter-com system all of their own, but it wasn't built-in. They were born with it. It consists of standing where they are and yelling at the top of their lungs until someone answers them. I use a system called "Maternal Radar" myself: get everybody on the beam, and if they don't stay there, spank them silly.

As for "home of tomorrow," when I consider how much this home cost us, and that it probably won't be paid for until my children are raising children of their own, it had just better be my home of tomorrow. And tomorrow. And tomorrow.
Then I get caught again with "indoor-outdoor living." This can fool you. You might think that it means living inside a house indoors, and outside a house outdoors. It doesn't mean that at all. It simply means that the indoors is taken outdoors, and the outdoors is brought indoors. Since I do not have any trees planted in my living room, nor sliding doors separating me from God's great outdoors with panes of sheer glass, I simply can't qualify here. Unless you can count having the kids put a baseball through the window (picture-type), the only outdoors we have indoors is when someone leaves the front door open.

Then there are those modern conveniences in the ranch-type home of today (and tomorrow). I refer of course to such extras as "dshwshr," "frpl.," "disp." and "cptg." My pride-of-ownership (built-in) goes soaring here, because we have almost all of these. We have a dishwasher: it's me. We have a "disp." (which is a garbage "disp.," naturally); in fact we have about seven or eight "disps": three cats, one dog, two raccoons and a fox, to mention just a few. These animals dispose of what garbage we have; and it is carried to them by another "disp.": an eleven-year-old boy.

We have a "frpl." or fireplace, (continued)

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but it is not "chalet type," so I'm not sure it counts. As for "cptg," I have no carpeting in my home. How on earth can people see my "pegged floors" if they are covered with " $w / \mathrm{w}$ cptg"?
Tet's rapidly take a few more of 11 the familiar terms: "forced air," "terrific view," "wet bar" and "low-cut roof with overhang." Oh, yes, and "built-in hutch." We do have "forced air," if you can call a canyon breeze practically blowing the curtains off the rods a breeze. And what about our "terrific view"? From the "knoll" where I sit, I can see right down to the edge of the smog. There are cactus, poison oak, weeds, castor beans, a battered red truck, a 1948 tractor with collapsible disk, and a lane with forty-seven chuck holes.

I'm afraid that I don't know what "wet bar" means, so my ego thermometer will have to take a dip on that one. (All I know is, I don't think I would want a dry one!) As for the "built-in hutch," we keep all of our rabbits outside. (Outdoors.) Which brings us down to "low-cut roof with overhang." We have half of this: a low-cut roof. The only overhang, however, is an eaves spout loaded with leaves, and the nests of four birds who come every spring, spouting maternal instinct and pieces of string.

B$y$ the time I have reached this far in the list of comparisons, I usually have to retire to my kitchen (unnatural plywood), and fortify my dwindling pride with a peanut-butter sandwich. This I take to my den (unpaneled), and turn on the airconditioning (I open the windows). I stretch out on the divan and take a good long look at my home-type ranch. I think it is a sure-enough, bang-up, lived-in, loved-in, beautiful, Provincial darling!
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HATS OFF! is the order of the day as the Wrights entertain at an official garden party at Missouri House, their quarters on the Norfolk Naval Base in Virginia.


## We pay a call on

## Admiral and Mrs. Jerauld Wright

JOANNE BOESHAAR YOUNG

Our car turned onto tree-lined Dillingham Boulevard on the U. S. Naval Base at Norfolk, Virginia. On one side, a huge gray aircraft carrier steamed across the blue waters of Hampton Roads. On the other stood the stately houses built as exhibition buildings for 22 states that participated in the 1907 Jamestown Exposition, now officers' quarters.

We stopped in front of Missouri House, the handsome red-brick, white-pillared quarters of Admiral Jerauld Wright, Commander in Chief, U. S. Atlantic Fleet, and the Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic.
Our call was planned for late in the afternoon to give Admiral Wright time to fly home from Cape Canaveral, where he had observed a firing of the Navy's Polaris missile.

Scarcely had we rung the bell when the door opened, and we were greeted in quick succession by a whitecoated Filipino houseboy, the admiral himself, and a gleaming golden retriever named "Monty," waving his red plume of a tail.

We stepped inside the wide entrance hall where guests from Charles Evans Hughes in 1907 to Prince Bernhardt of the Netherlands and Prince Albert of Belgium in recent years had been received.

Just then Mrs. Wright, stunning in a rustling black dress with bright rose print, hurried forward to give us a friendly handshake and a warm, welcoming smile.

In a matter of moments we were relaxing with tall frosty drinks on the pleasant sunporch, the heat of the Virginia sun forgotten. How superbly this distinguished couple conveyed the warmth of their hospitality which they must extend to so many hundreds yearly as part of their Navy and NATO responsibilities!
"This is the spécialité de la maison," the tall tanned admiral smiled as he spread rich Stilton cheese, laced with Port wine, on crisp matzoth for us.

Missouri House has a thousand stories, we had been told, and we soon discovered that this was true. Nearly every object had an exotic origin or called to mind an anecdote of international flavor.

The enormous Turkish coffeepots we loved (how they would brighten a staff coffee break!), the squat milking stools the admiral bought "from under an Ethiopian," the three-legged tables he made from crosscuts of a mahogany $\log$ from Santo
Domingo, and the handblown turquoise bottles Mrs. Wright bought in Portugal to serve as lamp bases.

Suddenly we realized how many unique clocks we had seen. Mrs. Wright laughed when we mentioned it, and we suspected an amusing anecdote was forthcoming. "Whenever we're in a bazaar-from Istanbul to the Flea Market in Paris-Jerry buys an old clock, or part of one, to fix up. And he always gets it working!"
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nato atmosphere lends charm to the drawing room, where
French and English furniture blend harmoniously with Danish ashtrays, Dutch crystal ducks, a Norwegian cookie dish, a pair of lamps made from Portuguese candlesticks. The oval portrait is of

Stevens Thomson Mason, the admiral's great-great-grandfather, who, at the age of 20 , became Michigan's first governor.
OLD ENGLISH CUPBOARD was wired by the admiral to illuminate Mrs. Wright's china collection, which is the basis for her color scheme in the room. Among photographs on the table is one taken with the Pope during the Wrights' recent visit to Italy.

"HE CAN FIX ANYTHING" is the reassuring reputation of NATO's Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic.

Mrs. Wright insists the admiral came courting only to get
a chance to fix up this antique banjo clock of hers.


ANCIENT CUCKOO CLOCK at right is demonstrated by Admiral Wright. The clock, located on the Wrights' sunporch, never fails to attract attention of guests. When the clock strikes, a windmill turns, sausages are ground, anvils hammered!


UNUSUAL UMBRELLA STAND is placed near this handsome sideboard in the entrance hall of Missouri House. The inscription on the stand says it commemorates the manufacture of the 25 -millionth artillery cartridge case.

OLONIAL WIGSTAND is another conversation piece. On top can be seen a quaint bowl filled with pansies. Mrs. Wright is famous for her lovely flower arrangements.

"You might be interested," added Mrs. Wright, "in knowing that the admiral's skill as an amateur clockmaker goes back many years. In fact, it was his interest in a broken antique clock that hung on the wall of my apartment that kept him courting me. He finally talked me into letting him take the clock to his bachelor's quarters to work on, and it has never stopped running since!"

Admiral Wright is also fond of woodworking, and a number of the tables on the Missouri House sunporch and in the library upstairs have been made by him from wood bought during his travels. Mahogany discs from Santo Domingo form the tops of five small tables which double as stools. The long coffee table was cut out of a whole log from Trinidad!

But the "friendly feeling" stems from the Wright family itself.
"I just don't know how to be terribly formal," laughs Mrs. Wright. "We love people, and it is a great pleasure to entertain in this really beautiful set of Navy quarters."
The Wrights invariably make you feel especially welcome. Just the surroundings make "small talk" easy, for their home contains so many conversation pieces . . . the gleaming antiques handed down from their own families along with the colorful and beguiling articles they have acquired in their world-wide travels.
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COMMODORE ISAAC MC KEEVER, Mrs. Wright's great-grandfather, looks down on memorabilia of a modern admiral's career. Young Bill sits next to lovely fireplace.
"Would you like to see my Ship Room?" the admiral asked our editor, Mrs. Austin. Of course she would!

Here was a room colorful in every sense of the word. A man's room, it contained mementos of a modern seafarer: a wastebasket made from a Japanese mortar shell he picked up when landed with U.S. forces on Iwo Jima; a drawing of French General Henri Giraud, whom Admiral Wright, then in command of a British submarine, spirited out of Vichy France to aid in the Allied landing in North Africa.
The Ship Room is one of the most colorful rooms in the house, and after a dinner party, the admiral always takes the men there for cigars and after-dinner liqueur. Here is where you would find the male contingent commenting on the fascinating old British "grog tub" with its graduated copper measuring pitchers.

At this point, "Monty" made a welcoming leap to the bottom of the stairs, and we were joined by the Wrights' seventeen-year-old daughter, brunette, brown-eyed Marion, and their engaging twelve-year-old son, Bill.
Marion showed us a few of her favorite miniature dolls in their native dress, which her parents had brought her from around the world. Bill related the hardships in the life of a boy forced to waste nine golden months a year in school. His sister gave him a look that said he was terribly young!

Together we went through the gracious green-and-gold drawing room to the dining room, which was arranged

## The Admiral calls this his Ship Room



GOLD ARAB DAGGER is souvenir Bill admires. Portrait is of family of the brother of Sheik of Kuwait.
"BUNG UP AND BILGE FREE" is the proper way to store this Royal Navy spirit cask, Bill Wright demonstrates. Grog tub with copper measures was gift of AdmiralLord Louis Mountbatten.

FLAGS OF NATO NATIONS are
colorful on the mahogany desk-bureau from the old U.S.S. WYOMING. The pitcher, with its ship design, has been in Mrs. Wright's family since Revolutionary times.




GOLD SWORD AND SCABBARD, the gift to Admiral Wright from the late King Ibn Saud, intrigues Bill. The admiral made the mantelpiece ship's-bell clock and had the fire tools assembled from 1870 British bayonets.

ROOM WITH A SALTY AIR. Everything tells a sea story-from the caricatures of Admiral Wright's daring wartime rendezvous with French leaders in enemy-held North Africa to the 18th-century shipbuilder's model.
for a buftet supper. Candles in Georgian-glass holders, hand-blown in Austria, flickered on the mellow copper serving bowls. Tiny bright birds of carved balsa wood from Bogotá, Colombia, flanked Mrs. Wright's delightful arrangement of fruit in graduated crystal bowls.
H from the United States and around the world; the secretaries of the military services and other high-ranking notables from that branch of our government; congressmen from this country and parliamentarians from abroad; all of these men of stature, frequently accompanied by their ladies. Here, too, in 1907, Nellie Custis Lee, daughter of Gen. Robert E. Lee, had attended a breakfast party.

It was a friendly house for all its beautifully appointed formality, with a cosmopolitan charm which it derived from its hosts. We were glad we had called.

But wait-Mrs. Austin would like to show you how the Wrights entertain. For this and for the Wrights' "Good Victuals," please turn the page

In the last few years, Mrs. Wright has entertained thousands of the world-famous. Among her guests have been Prince Bernhardt of The Netherlands, Lord and Lady Mountbatten,


Field Marshall Sir Bernard Montgomery. But whether entertaining at a large official function,


a lawn party for the armed services, or simply serving her daughter in her own living room, Mrs. Wright is always the charming hostess.

## The Admiral Cooks

## JEAN AUSTIN

Adiscriminating gourmet cook, Admiral Wright has certain spécialités which he enjoys preparing with the skill of Escoffier, or perhaps I should say, the aplomb of an admiral. And since no dinner is complete without a good soup, let's begin with soupbeautiful soup, the admiral contends.

As one would expect of a navy man, he has a fondness for the bounty of the sea, and now that he is stationed in tidewater country famous for its variety of shellfish, his choice is quite naturally a soup made of clams, oysters, crab or lobster. A rich lobster bisque is a frequent choice and
 a delicate clam soup brings accolades, especially at family dinners. Because of its high family as well as guest-rating, this favorite is one of the recipes you'll find graciously given for your Good Victuals file.

You will also find another typical main dinner dish-one recently served to visiting NATO officials-breast of chicken on Virginia ham with white wine sauce and new buttered-parsley
potatoes. One of the green vegetables inevitably served is string beans cut French-style and arranged in the serving dish like asparagus stalks, then sprinkled with slivered almonds. Homemade hot rolls and a green salad with French dressing complete this favorite dinner menu.
A roast strip loin of beef with tiny roast potatoes, very crisp and piping hot, arranged around the platter.

The admiral's favorite dessert, crepes suzette, is also one of his great spécialités. He ceremoniously prepares his special sauce at the table, adds brandy, flambés it, and serves it with due deference on the delicate crepes which have been brought to the table piping hot on a silver platter.

## Good lictuals

As for entertaining, the admiral is very firm on one point: at a buffet party there will be no plates precariously balanced on a guest's knees while he attempts to juggle with knife, fork, napkin and wineglass.

For this, as well as for good victuals, our twenty-one-gun salute to the admiral! THE END


THE ADMIRAL serves his favorite clam soup for son Bill and daughter Marion. The huge brass tureen is from Pakistan, one of a collection of huge copper and brass utensils garnered from Far Eastern bazaars and from European countries in which the admiral has been stationed.

PREPARATION OF CREPES SUZETTE is a rite enjoyed by the
admiral. The volatile fragrance of the grated orange and lemon rind is blessed with choice brandy.


- THE ADMIRAL'S CREPES SUZETTE


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DRAMATIC FINALE-flaming sauce poured over piping hot, paper-thin crepes, rolled and filled with guava jelly.
$\begin{array}{ll}\frac{1}{2} \text { c. flour } & 2 \mathrm{egg} \text { yolks } \\ \frac{1}{2} \text { tsp. salt } & 1 \mathrm{egg}\end{array}$
$1 \frac{1}{2}$ c. fresh milk

- Mix above ingredients together and add 4 tbsp. olive oil. Fry in butter on one side-individually as hot cakes-in medium-size skillet. Let crepes cook, then add 1 tbsp. guava jelly to each and roll.


## admiral wright's sauce:

Grated rind of orange

## Grated rind of

 lemonPowdered sugar
to taste

## Brandy and other

liqueurs

- Mix above ingredients, ladle over crepes. Light and serve flaming.

THIS FINELY DESIGNED manufactured home has 902 sq. ft. of living area all on one floor. There is a large, 19-foot long
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HOME MANUFACTURER: HARNISCHFEGER HOMES, INC.
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## That's right...all five

Until just recently it was a rare and wonderful thing to find a well-designed home in the $\$ 10,000$ class. For the past few years it has seemed as though most builders and home manufacturers were concentrating their efforts in the $\$ 15,000$ bracket and above, leaving the average wage-earner literally without a new roof over his head. But, this year, a minor revolution has taken place in the home-building market.

The home-builder is discovering the great untapped market that needs attractive, efficient homes without the frills, extras and space that skyrocket the cost into five figures. As a result, the low-cost home is starting a new housing boom. It is estimated that over 200,000 families are ready to buy $\$ 10,000$ homes. The formerly-forgotten man in the $\$ 4,000$ income bracket can afford a $\$ 10,000$ house because monthly payments usually do not exceed $\$ 80$. The big problem in keeping costs down is getting land at a sufficiently low price to make a $\$ 10,000$ price tag possible.

A great deal of the credit for the new supply of low-cost houses must go to the home manufacturer, who through volume buying and centralized production keeps material and labor costs low. Also responsible are lower loan costs and government-approved, smaller down payments. It is also reassuring to see the home manufacturer return to his original aim of producing quality, low-cost homes.

FFive examples of outstanding homes in the $\$ 10,000$ class are shown on these four pages. Four are made by home manufacturers, and one is built by a conventional builder. All of these homes give you the same highquality materials you find in more expensive homes, and they're designed and engineered by some of the best architects in the country.

Financing the inexpensive home did not present many problems during 1958 since the government acted to free special-assistance funds providing mortgage money for homes in the $\$ 10,000$ price range. Here are some sample approximate costs of the houses shown: Place Homes, Inc. - Chatham model. VA-qualified veterans may purchase it for no money down, while FHA buyers may buy for as little as $\$ 300$ down, or even less. Monthly payments in either case would be about $\$ 75.00$. The John Long house has a basic selling price of $\$ 9,950$. Down-payment including closing costs is $\$ 300$. Approximate monthly payments are $\$ 81.00$.

JJudging a Small House: When you set out to buy a small house, don't expect to find extensive space, luxury appliances or custom millwork. In most cases these are just the items you will be giving up to get a good basic structure that will serve your most important everyday needs. By studying the floor plans, you can see that basic room requirements are a living-dining area, kitchen, three bedrooms and a bath, with varying amounts of closet and storage area.

Remember, the smaller the house, the more important the planning. Make sure the types and sizes of the rooms meet your family's requirements. Try to visualize your family using the house. This will quickly bring to light both the good and the inadequate points of the house. Double-purpose rooms are often very valuable in a small home since the same floor space can be used for different activities at different times of the day. For example, the dining area is often combined with the living or family areas to save on space. Open planning eases small-house living because it creates apparent spaciousness and is also more flexible for family use than small, partitioned areas.


## S10,000 or under


plenty of well-arranged space makes this prefabricated
home a good value for $\$ 9,750$ including carport, excluding land
Floor plan includes living room, kitchen with adjoining dining area,
three bedrooms, a bath and large storage room at back of carport.
Simplicity of rectangular-shaped house lowers building costs.

SIMPLICITY OF DESIGN, the keynote of economy, makes this charming Colonial an excellent buy at $\$ 9,000$ plus land. There are 952 sq . ft . of living area. Below, right: Dining room adjoins kitchen, which has its own breakfast area.


HOME MANUFACTURER: PLACE HOMES, INC.


THE WARM FAMILIARITY of clapboard-and-shutters encloses rooms arranged for utmost efficiency.
This popular manufactured home has 864 sq. ft . of living area, $407 \mathrm{cu} . \mathrm{ft}$. of storage area; it sells for $\$ 7,600$ excluding land. The living room is $14^{\prime} 7^{\prime \prime}$ long, $12^{\prime}$ wide.

HOME MANUFACTURER: NATIONAL HOMES

this uniquely attractive and efficient ranch house in Arizona sells for $\$ 9,950$ including land. It has a total of 1398 sq . ft. of living area comprising three bedrooms, two full baths, family room, living room, kitchen, garage and center entry hall.


THE LIVING ROOM is located in the back of house, making it a private, traffic-free area. Sliding glass doors extend the indoor living space outside, so that the house is both apparently
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# The laundry that grew and grew 

From one room to five-all filled with ideas!


PIPE-STREWN AND DREARY-this is how the basement laundry looked before remodeling. It lacked storage space for supplies. Light from a single bulb and window was insufficient.

## VIRGINIA E. THABET

Bright as a button and smart as the bow laid in the floor-that's the beautifully planned basement laundry in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph J. Guttosch in Northbrook, Illinois. Rudy is a professional photographer who often takes pictures for us in other people's homes. This time he had to go only as far as his own basement to take the pictures for our story. When Rudy and Jeanne, his charming wife, decided to "do something" about their dark and inadequate laundry area in the basement, they spent a lot of time planning what they wanted to accomplish.

With four active children-Kathy, 8, Tommy, 7, Danny, 6 and Jimmie, 4 -there's always a lot of washing and ironing to be done. Since their kitchen space was at a premium, they decided to make a laundry room in the basement that would serve more than one purpose - and came up with a room that actually takes over five major jobs: (1) laundry, (2) freezer storage, (3) sewing, (4) pantry storage and
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DOWN THE CHUTE! Soiled laundry from upstairs arrives in basement automatically. Kathy helps Mother sort clothes into roll-about hampers.


SEWING'S FUNI Kathy gets her first lesson on the portable sewing machine. No fumbling for supplies-they're within easy reach on pegboard.


FREEZING'S EASY-especially when there's lots of counter space to wrap packages on. Tommy takes a lesson from an expert-Daddy Rudy.


NOTHING TO ITI That's Danny's opinion of modern washday chores. But those dirty blue jeans might need pretreating in nearby laundry sink.


STORAGE FOR EVERYTHING - including a dress form! Sewing machine in carrying case is stored below it. Compartment for ironing table is at left.


INTO THE FREEZER goes home-baked bread, but not for long! The Guttoschs get the most out of their freezer because they give it constant use.

tote baskets! Clean laundry is folded and put in baskets until someone goes upstairs. This idea saves steps and keeps "all of a kind" together.


TO EACH HIS OWNI The personalized storage arrangement on rear side of laundry wall makes it easy even for little Jimmie to keep his toys in order.

time our! Glasses stored in cabinet above the twin-bowled sink assure easy entertaining for two now, or for full parties in future "rec" room.

removable glass panels, which form the front of the Bolster greenhouse, are easily lifted out
to convert it into a covered terrace. The panels are summer-stored in a special plywood compartment in the garage.

AS A TERRACE, the greenhouse is a semi-outdoor living area, with most plants removed to the garden. Exhaust fan, upper right, cools greenhouse if it gets too warm. Blower, not seen, supplies winter heat.

## Enjoy your



WITH PANELS IN PLACE, the
Bolsters have a unique type of greenhouse that's really part of their home. If your breezeway or terrace is similarly placed, you can remodel it to function
the same way by installing a fiberglass roof and glass-panel sides. And if you have neither breezeway nor terrace-but want
a greenhouse like this-the obvious solution is to build one as an addition to your house ${ }^{\text {t }}$


## breezeway all year round

## HAZEL WARD ADCOCK

Looking for an idea on how to get more out of your breezeway or covered terrace-how to enjoy it summer and winter, for instance? Then maybe you can adapt to your own home the ingenious greenhouse idea of the Horace Bolsters of Arlington, Virginia.

In winter, Mr. and Mrs. Bolster have a real greenhouse that's an integral part of their home. In summer, by a simple conversion, they have a covered terrace that serves as an extension of their living room. Thus it's an area that never goes to waste-it's enjoyed all year round.

As you see from the pictures, the front of the greenhouse is made up of easily removable sections. The roof is of corrugated blue-green fiberglass-joined to the main roof of the house-and is supported by rafters painted the blue-green color of the fiberglass. Heat is supplied by a thermostatically controlled blower which feeds warm air from the house. An exhaust fan lowers the temperature if the greenhouse gets too warm on a bright day.

In their winter greenhouse the Bolsters grow a wide selection of "cool house" plants (which flourish in the temperature range of $45^{\circ}$ to $60^{\circ}$ ) in pots, tubs and other containers. In summer, most of these plants are moved to shady spots in the Bolsters' garden.


MANY KINDS OF PLANTS can be grown in the $45^{\circ}$ to $60^{\circ}$ temperature range which is maintained in winter-among them azaleas, camellias, cyclamens, primulas, geraniums, cymbidium orchids. Auxiliary heater is ready in case house heating system fails.


GREENHOUSE-TURNED-TERRACE
lends distinctiveness to the house in summertime just as much as the greenhouse does in winter. And the fiberglass roof has the advantage of not blocking out light from the interior of the house, as an ordinary breezeway or terrace roof would do.
If shade is sometimes desired, however, it can be provided by attaching roller slat shades to the rafters-to cover the inside of the roof alone or long enough to shade both the roof and the front of the terrace.

# Découpage- 

 sudden revival of an old,DOROTHY LAMBERT BRIGHTBILL


MR. FEDERER uses a wide flat brush to apply the adhesive.

Découpage" or paper cut-outs (which they really are) we may consider an old craft with a new look. Dating back to the early 18 th century, this stimulating and imaginative technique has always been popular with those who admire color and design but might hesitate to take up painting. Instead, they learn "découpage," truly an art, but one which involves "painting" with paper, scissors and paste rather than palette, paintbrush and easel.

However, there is more to "découpage" than cut-out-bits-of-paper and a sharp pair of scissors. One needs a sense of imagination, a good eye and an understanding of the use of color. To "educate" your color sense, make a study of color as it is used in such ready sources as signs and magazine illustrations or, if possible, study the color about you when you visit art galleries. Note how color is used in any composition, the proportions of light and dark, the contrast and play of light and shadow.

Make rough sketches, not for design, but for color areas. Then, gather your materials from magazines, seed catalogues, old prints, colored papers, and even gift wrappings. Sort them in groups for subject matter, then each subject into a color group. Keep them in folders, boxes or envelopes. Large transparent envelopes available in photographic stores are helpful; you can see through them.

NText, you must learn to become an expert at cutting out. Practice, follow curves meticulously, don't overcut, don't undercut. Use large scissors for the first, rough cut-out of the motif you wish to use. Then switch to small, sharp scissors for the final cutting.

You might find it helpful to sketch in a rough pencil layout for your design. Or you could trace some arrangement that you admire for an outline. Then fill it in with your own collection of motifs.

The pattern we give here makes it simple to create a charming picture or to decorate an accessory. You will find that our easy-to-follow pattern makes this an attractive and simple hobby - a hobby that more and more people are turning to for pleasure and relaxation.

dECOUPAGE EXPERT Carl Federer works at his large table-desk. Note fine découpage examples in rear.

We start you off with wallpaper cut-outs, really the quickest and easiest source of supply for a design motif. We tell you how to cut, how to paste and how to create a composition, as told to us by one of the greatest experts in the field, Mr . Carl Federer.

Mr . Federer's interest in découpage was a natural outgrowth of his interest in his grandfather's business - that of manufacturing fine papers in Switzerland. Starting at a very tender age, Carl Federer turned out "paper handcrafts" in grade school that attracted considerable attention because of their originality and craftsmanship. Later, his unusual and charming greeting cards, valentines and Easter-egg decorations became widely admired.

While this fine artist had no special training in découpage, he did travel and study the finest collections in the United States, England, France and Italy. He has, however, had formal art training in the National School of Fine and Applied Arts and the Corcoran Art Gallery, both in Washington. Galleries that have carried Carl Federer exhibitions include "Olivieri" and "Past \& Present" galleries in New York, a gallery at Grosse Pointe, Michigan, and the Baltimore Museum of Art. Various newspapers and magazines both here and abroad have cited Mr. Federer's excellent découpage technique.

And now, let's get started on our exciting new hobby! Be on the lookout for all sorts of pictures of flowers, birds, butterflies, animals. Search out pictures of things your family and friends are particularly fond of. In this way you can plan trays, boxes or pictures, truly personal and thoughtful gifts, that will contribute to their collections. We feel sure that you will want to go on to more complicated arrangements, but that comes later.
You will need the following: 1. Scraps of colored papers for backgrounds.
2. Very sharp scissors.
3. Excellent paper glue (one that will not turn paper transparent).
4. Clear lacquer for protective coating.
5. Several razor blades.
6. Optional - paint, small pointed paintbrush, pencil. With this equipment you can add form and depth.

We leave you now with a new hobby that will bring you many hours of pleasure. And how the compliments will come your way as admiring friends and family see the lovely products of your creation!

BRUSHING ON a protective coating of clear shellac or lacquer preserves paper surface.

## old craft



THE FINISHING TOUCHES are given to the floral motif for a dramatic frame.


DRAMATIC PICTURE is composed of an oval floral motif cut from scraps of wallpaper. Several old frames have been painted and assembled to
form an impressive over-all frame. The telephone-directory box and tin-can pencil holders are covered with wallpaper and cut-out prints. 1758, 35c, SEE PATTERN ORDER FORM, PAGE 67

SHOPPING INFORMATION
PROVINCIAL LIVING ROOM
Fabrics-Everfast Fabrics, Inc.
Carpet-Cabin Crafts, Inc.
Cigarette box - Westmoreland Glass Co
Lamp-J. F. Marr Co., Inc.
CONTEMPORARY LIVING ROOM
Fabrics-Russell Wright Design by Forster Textile Mills, Inc.
Vinyl fabric (on ottoman)-
Vinyl Fabrics Institute
Cork tile flooring-Armstrong Cork Co Cat picture-J. Pocker Picture Framing
Lamp-Moe Light
Wall paint-
Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
Furniture in both rooms-
Consider H. Willett, Inc.


## Change your mind but NOT

ROBERT W. HOUSEMAN, director - MARY E. MONZE, decorator

If you feel you are stuck with a style after you have bought your furniture, or if you think you can't change your mind and your decorating scheme around the furniture you have or are about to buy, this is for you. Join us in an experiment on these pages in which we set out to prove that by using well-designed furniture one finds many decorating possibilities merely by changing backgrounds
and accessories. Whatever your choice of furniture, you may establish quite different results, create harmonious backgrounds without being a slave to "pure" traditionalism that far too often is neither comfortable nor suitable for today's living.

Whether you are completely furnishing and decorating a whole house from the bare walls out or simply adding a piece or two of furniture, the



YOUR LOVE of fine china and silver may reveal you are a traditionalist at heart.

SHOPPING INFORMATION
PROVINCIAL DINING ROOM
Fabric-Greeff Fabrics, Inc.
Wallpaper-Katzenbach \& Warren
Carpet-Magee Carpet Co.
Dinnerware-Doulton and Co.
Goblet-Imperial Glass Corp.
Silver flatware and pieces-Gorham Company

## Change your

If you are like the lady at the left who can't decide whether to use Traditional or Contemporary in the dining room, it may indicate your broad-minded approach to decorating, rather than any indecision. In this case, you should be complimented on your imagination in sensing that the uncluttered, clean lines of the furniture we show here will take gracefully to either treatment, without the least strain on style.

How to know whether you prefer the warmth of traditional or the smooth, unencumbered design of


YOUR APPRECIATION of modern sculpture may be the key to your taste in Contemporary.

## SHOPPING INFORMATION

CONTEMPORARY DINING ROOM
Fabric-Everfast Fabrics, Inc.
Carpet-Magee Carpet Co
Wallpaper-Imperial Paper and Color Co.
Dinnerware-Universal Potteries Inc.
Glass-Hazel-Atlas
Silver flatware-Reed and Barton
Bud vase-Dansk Designs
Place mat-Bucilla
Wooden bowl-Kennedy Brothers
Furniture in both rooms-Century Furniture Co.

## mind but NOT your furniture!

Contemporary has to do with knowing yourself, your family and your home. How you live, entertain and your personal taste in many things, though seemingly unrelated, are actually important considerations in choosing home furnishings.

If you fancy a collection of fine silver pieces or admire china in a timeless, classic pattern, you are probably a traditionalist, which indicates that you will feel more at home in a setting like the one on the left. Here, the tableware and accessories will be more familiar to you and the designs more pleasing.

On the other hand, if you admire the modern designer's contributions to home furnishings and have a feeling for contemporary textures and lines, you will prefer the dining-room setting on the right.

The costs for decorating the two rooms are about the same. Furniture, fabrics and wallpapers are in the medium-price group, and accessories add up to a similar amount for either scheme. Follow your choice, and if you should ever change your mind, you can change the background, without changing the furniture, and still achieve a harmonious effect.

SHOPPING INFORMATION
PROVINCIAL BEDROOM
Fabric and wallpaper-Waverly Fabrics Carpet-Waite Carpet Co. Lamp-J. F. Marr Co., Inc.
CONTEMPORARY BEDROOM Fabric-Everfast Fabrics, Inc. Window shade-Columbia Mills Inc. Carpet-Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Co. Wall covering-W alltex Clock-radio-General Electric Co.

Furniture in both roomsDrexel Furniture Co.



TThe "throw it out and start all over" school of decorating is not for us. Nor is it a practical idea in any case now that you've paid your money for furniture and taken your choice.

The "right choice," we'd say, should stand the test of changing fads in furnishings, the change in your own family requirements, and the change in room arrangements necessitated through change in your own personal taste.

The little girl who loves the somewhat feminine bedroom on the left may just grow up to adore Contemporary to the complete exclusion of pastel colors and ruffles. Brother may be evicted from a masculine décor to make room for a "live-in" grandmother who dotes on a flowery room

The furniture in this bedroom setting is of solid rock-maple, in a design from the past that, nevertheless, holds its own very nicely in a surrounding of highly contemporary backgrounds.

In the Provincial treatment on the left, the informal theme of the room has been established by the flower-strewn wallpaper, checkered bedspread, and simplicity of the window curtains.

The contemporary setting on the right relies also on a wall covering, this one in a modern design of thin gold striations and gold flecks. The bed covering is a dramatic cotton print in the boldest colors possible, two of which are picked up in alternating stripes of woven basswood, to make a simple shade for the typical high-up window.

Taken by and large, the changes in this room from one style to the other are few; the character of the furniture makes the change handsomely and without compromise to taste in either example.

# How Much An Hour Are You Worth? 

# Do you think of yourself as "just a housewife," whose time isn't worth anything because nobody pays you in cash? 

## LOUISE PURWIN ZOBEL

Don't kid yourself! Your time is not only worth real money; it is worth varying amounts of money, depending upon how you use it, how proficient you are in the services for which you use it, and how much it would cost you to have those services performed by someone else.

Have you ever stopped to consider the tasks which seem to take you forever and turn out half-done? Are there jobs you would love to have someone else do for you? Or have you contemplated a do-it-yourself program to replace some of the professional help you are now employing? Could you "earn" more in an hour of house-painting or home-permanenting than you could in an hour of window washing or lawn mowing? Only you can answer.

Of course money cannot buy the love and care and devotion a career homemaker gives her family and her home. And she cannot always budget her hours according to their dollars-and-cents value. But a realistic appraisal of what she can expect to accomplish in her so-called "free" time may reveal a pattern of accomplishment which could be changed to provide a financial advantage to the family exchequer. Concentrating on those tasks she enjoys most, therefore does best and fastest, and delegating to others the chores she finds most unpleasant and difficult, may make a real dollars-and-cents improvement in the budget. Calculating her optimum "earnings" is something each woman must do for herself.

Stop and think. Analyze the jobs you do every day. The jobs you take on occasionally. The jobs you pay someone else to do. The jobs you never have time for. Are you earning as much an hour as you should be?

If you will approach each of your heterogeneous activities with these thoughts in mind: "How long will it take me? How well can I do it? How much would it cost to have someone else do it?", you will have a clear picture of your hourly earning potential. You will have a sound basis for deciding which jobs you should tackle yourself and which jobs you should pay someone else to do for you. Unless you have already decided that your training
and experience make it more practical for you to pursue a highly-paid career and hire someone else to take care of your children, the whole realm of child care, from formula and diapers to party transportation and help with homework, will be part of your daily routine. In this area your earning power can never be measured in money. But almost every other phase of homemaking lends itself to financial analysis.

Do you love to cook? Make your time in the kitchen pay for some help with a job you dislike and do poorly. You can transform the economy cuts into gourmet meals. You can freeze and dry and can the plentiful, inseason foods for later use. You can eliminate the expensive mixes and easy-do foods. Your time will be well spent: your pay check will show up in the diminishing food budget.

But if you hate to cook, try short cuts. Use prepared foods. Buy bakery desserts. Eat out once in a while. Where will you get the money? "Earn" it by finding something you love to do and do well, something you have no time for now. Reducing cooking time by a daily hour will release that hour to be spent more profitably.

Are you a clever shopper- a victorious bargain hunter? Or do you hate to shop, but consider it a luxury to order the groceries over the telephone or the children's underwear by mail? If shopping takes you two detested hours weekly and phone-order groceries and mail-order underwear would add five dollars to the week's bills, think what occupation you might substitute to earn that two-fifty per hour.

Do you have automatic laundry equipment you feel you must use for everything washable? Is it really an economy to do the sheets at home if you add the time spent in handling to the cost of soap and utilities? Sit down and figure it out.

Would it pay to find someone else to iron the girls' dresses? Or do you iron so well and
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## 3 SOUPER SUPPER LONVES

Make it different, make it delicious, make it with Campbell's Soups. Here are three suggestions for souper supper loaves, but why stop here? Try your own creative combinations. Campbell's Soups will make them "something extra," timesaving, too!


Mushroom-Meat Loaf. Combine $1 / 2$ cup Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup with $11 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. ground beef, $1 / 2$ c. dry bread crumbs, $1 / 4$ e chopped onion, 2 tbsp. chopped parsley, 1 beaten egg, $1 / 2$ tsp. salt, dash black pepper. Shape into loaf or pack lightly in greased pan Bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, about 1 hr . For sauce, blend rest of soup with $1 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ pan drippings; heat. Serve with loaf. $6-8$ servings.


Good cooks cook with Campbelli Soups

## Thanksgiving

 Across
## the U.S.A.

Thanksgiving, that romantic and festive holiday, originated in New England and has been celebrated ever since in the truly American, groaning-dinner-table style throughout this great country of ours. Each November, American women follow the example set by the good cooks of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut many years ago and offer friends and family a memorable dinner representing their best culinary efforts. Although all Americans agree that Thanksgiving is the time for expression of gratitude and spiritual feeling, they are not completely in agreement about the Thanksgiving menu! It is true that turkey plays the leading role in the dramatic holiday dinner, sometimes supplemented by goose and ham. But from there on, one finds anything from the chowder that is often served at Northeast dinner tables to the smoked salmon appetizer popular in the Far West. One thing is certain: Sumptuous eating is the order of the day! On these pages, we present menus of typical Thanksgiving dinners in the four major regions of our land. Recipes for dishes marked with stars will be found on pages $51,52$.
NORTHEAST-Clam-lobster chowder, roast turkey with wild rice and oyster stuffing, baked squash, creamed onions, whole cranberry sauce, corn bread sticks, pumpkin pie, $\star$ Black Walnut Cake, Cheddar cheese, apples, cider. WEST-An easygoing attitude and a sunny climate make the Western Thanksgiving feast a delightfully relaxed meal with emphasis on fun. The turkey is often roasted over an outdoor fire and served as a buffet. The
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RECIPES ON PAGES 51, 52

Table accessories on this and following food pages by GERTRUDE BRASSARD;

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# Always smooth...never grainy 

## Secret is Carnation-the double-rich milk that whips!

No ordinary milk can give pumpkin pie the wonderful smooth-as-cream texture you get with Carnation. For this milk is twice as richlooks, pours and even whips like cream. In pumpkin pie, whether you use your own recipe or the famous one here, no other form of milk can give you the results you get with Carnation -world's leader by far. And for a better cup of coffee, "cream" it with Carnation-the doublerich milk that whips.

FREE! Mary Blake's booklet, "Perfect Pies." 18 wonderfully different recipes. Write to Mary Blake,

## RECIPE: CARNATION'S FAMOUS PUMPKIN PIE

(Makes 9 -inch single crust pie)


Lower temperature to moderate ( $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.) and continue baking about 35 minutes or until custard is firm.

1 cup granulated sugar
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
$11 / 2$ teaspoons cinnamon
$1 / 2$ teaspoon nutmeg
$1 / 2$ teaspoon ginger
$1 / 2$ teaspoon allspice
$1 / 2$ teaspoon cloves
$11 / 2$ cups canned pumpkin
$12 / 3$ cups (large can) undiluted CARNATION EVAPORATED MILK
2 eggs
9 -inch single crust unbaked pie shell


WE GUARANTEE RESULTS WHEN YOU USE CARNATION
fruir is an ever-popular dessert. Have you ever sent along one of the very small cans of cherries or other fruits? If the idea goes over, have your lunchbox carrier keep a can-opener in his desk or locker.


AMERICAN HOME RECIPES
Family Food
(pictured in color on page 48)


AMERICAN HOME RECIPES Family Food
(pictured in color on page 48)


YOU LIKE HOT COFFEE but don't
like to carry a thermos? If you have access to hot water, buy individual one-cup packets of instant coffee to include in your lunchbox.


## 3 waist to please ith light, lively Miracle Whip

more ways you try it, the surer you'll be-there's nothing else like....


Light, lively Miracle Whip is America's favorite salad dressing!

1. Two-Tone Slaw. There are two secrets to this more successful slaw . . . its looks and its taste. Combine 1 cup Miracle Whip with $1 / 4$ cup cream, $1 / 2$ tsp. salt and dash of black pepper. Add half the dressing to 2 cups shredded green cabbage; the rest to 2 cups shredded red cabbage; toss lightly; chill well. Arrange alternate portions of red and green coleslaw on lettuce. With Miracle Whip, you don't have to add flavor, the flavor's there. Bright, delightful can't-be-copied flavor that just
2. Sensational Salmon. Beat 2 egg whites until stiff; fold in $1 / 3$ cup Miracle Whip Salad Dressing. Pile onto broiled salmon steaks or any fish fillet, and broil until topping is lightly browned. Garnish with parsley and serve to your delighted guests. Remember, only Miracle Whip has the flavor and texture that make this topping so superb. You won't find that
3. Glamour sauce for vegetables. This savory sauce does exciting things for almost any vegetable. And it's failure-proof, too! Place 1 cup Miracle Whip in a double boiler over hot water; let stand 10 minutes without boiling. Add 2 tablespoons lemon juice; mix well and serve. In interesting combinations, or on simple salads, Miracle Whip is the dressing most people prefer. No other dressing gives you such certainty

## TAKE A CAN of Tuna Fish

Tuna fish need not be limited to the summer salad bowl. It adapts so well to so many hot-meal recipes, as well as being a wonderful appetizer. Hearty and delicious, the tuna recipes that follow make ideal cold-weather fare.


EVERY NOW AND THEN, don't you welcome a good change in a maincourse dish, or don't you have the urge to try a "different" buffet recipe? We present here TUNA CHOP SUEY (right) as the happy answer-and fortunate, too, it takes only minutes to put together!

PIPING HOT AND HEARTY TUNA CHOWDER (pictured above) is just one of many delicious ways to serve tuna. This, the first of our three suggestions, starts with a can of tuna and ends up with a steaming bowl of chowder, a hot and tasty cold-weather treat!

BEGIN YOUR MEAL with our tuna appetizer, called TUNA ROCKEFELLER (left). You'll find it as tempting and pleasing as "oysters Rockefeller" savored in gourmet circles throughout the world.


# TAKE A PACKAGE 

Keep a supply of frozen peas in your freezer . they spark "hurry up" meals with flavor and color! The following recipes using peas are designed to give you wonderful new taste treats.


PEAS AND LIMAS IN SOUR CREAM (right )-Two vegetable products right from your freezer combine to create a wonderfully satisfying dish! The sour cream blends beautifully, accenting the tempting, fresh flavor of the vegetables.

WE OFFER OUR PEAS A L'ORANGE (above)-sweet and sour and oh, so pretty! Just one of a great many imaginative ways you can give an old garden favorite a refreshingly new and delightful flavor!

YOU'LL FIND CURRIED-PEAS-AND-DRIED-BEEF (at left)
has a unique and luscious taste. This is true, main-dish, gourmet fare! We have an idea that this is a recipe you'll be taking out of your menu file often!


## NEW for the holidays!



## Hot Mince'n Ice Cream Pie!

## NONE SUCH makes the delicious filling and hot pour-on sauce



This is a mince pie a child will likel

## New! Hidden-Crust Pie Made With Hot Mince 'n Ice Cream

Make Two-crust Pie as directed on Betty Crocker Instant Mixing Pie Crust Mix package, using about $11 / 2$ cups Borden's None Such Mince Meat for filling. (Top crust forms a slight hollow for ice cream topping.) Bake 30 to 35 min . at $425^{\circ}$.

Just before serving pie, heat rest of mincemeat. Spoon 1 qt . vanilla ice cream onto top crust to fill pie. Serve mincemeat over wedges of warm pie.

NOTE: Use one $1-\mathrm{lb}, 12-\mathrm{oz}$, jar of Borden's. Ready-to-Use Mince Meat or two 9-oz. packages Borden
Condensed Mince Meat (follow package directions)

## Betty Crocker Instant Pie Crust Mi

 makes the perfect crust(It's new! It's instant! You make it with boiling water!)


My new boiling-water method for mixing pie crust is far different, easier, far surer and better. You just add 2 tablespoons boiling water to each crumbled stick stir. Roll out a big $9^{\prime \prime}$ crust with plenty left over for fancy trim.
"I guarantee a perfect* pie crust every time!" Betty Crocker


A SMALL AMOUNT of lettuce wrapped in waxed
paper will keep fresh and crisp for adding to sandwiches when lunchtime comes


Take a Can of Tuna Fish
(pictured in color on page 54)



## New Spanish Rice Pronto...

## New way with a family favorite quicker, easier; tastier!

# For a perfect frosting every time... 



# make yours <br> <br> with Domino <br> <br> with Domino <br> Confectioners 10X Powdered Sugar 

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Tested fudge and frosting recipes on every box.


## Family Food

abundance of fruits and native wines also influences the menu. The typical Thanksgiving dinner might include an avocado appetizer, assorted breads, tortillas, $\star$ roast turkey (with sherry and lime-juice baste), cranberry-andraisin sauce, olives, fruit salad and possibly a molded dessert tray of assorted figs, prunes, pears, dates and apricots. MIDWEST-Hearty fare and plenty of it! There is often a second main course such as $\star$ Roast Duck . . . characteristic of many other areas. Pennsylvania Dutch, for instance. Have you ever had the pleasure of sharing a Pennsylvania Dutch holiday feast . . . with both bread and potato stuffing, the seven sours and the seven sweets and all of the other superb dishes passed around for many helpings? But back to the Midwest and delicious roast goose filled with apple-raisin stuffing, the turkey sausage or oyster. There are gobs of giblet gravy, mashed potatoes and candied yams, a Waldorf salad, cranberry-and-orange relish, Biscuit Foldovers, mincemeat and $\star$ pumpkin pie topped with homemade vanilla ice cream. Yes, hearty fare-and plenty of it! SOUTH-A wonderful combination of traditional hospitality, gracious living and a long affinity for ham sparks the Southern Thanksgiving menu. Ham is always studded with cloves and served with fried oysters, Brussels sprouts, $\star$ Rice Timbals smothered in giblet gravy, a relish tray of pickled watermelon rind, hot biscuits, Brazil-nut pudding and coffee (blended with lots of chicory!). These are but a few choice samplings of delicious Thanksgiving dinners-across the U.S.A.! THE END


## CHOCOLATES

MRS. ELMA WALTNER

Does chocolate-making scare you? It shouldn't. For dipping is so simple if you carefully follow a few "musts." A creamy fondant is used as the basis for most chocolate centers, and we suggest you start out with a recipe, using cream if possible. First knead the fondant until it's smooth and pliable; shape it into centers by rolling small bits into balls between your palms. Now place them on waxed paper to dry. Let them dry at room temperature for a few hours or until a crust forms. Turn over so that the underside dries too. To make flavored centers, add a few drops of extract to the fondant and knead thoroughly. Patties are made by flattening the balls

to about $1 / 4$-inch thickness. Cherry chocolates are our favorites, and here are tips to assure you of deliciously successful results. First, cut firm maraschino cherries in half and drain an hour or two on paper toweling. Then roll a ball of fondant about the size of a filbert nut. Flatten and lay half a cherry on it. Bring fondant up over it, covering all of the cherry. If the cherry is exposed anywhere, it will leak and be too sticky to dip.

There are three types of coatings you can use: The bittersweet dipping chocolate made especially for dipping purposes, regular milk chocolate, or homemade bittersweet coating. This last coating is made simply by melting together equal amounts of the unsweetened baking chocolate and milk chocolate.

T.O melt any chocolate, cut it into small pieces in a roundbottomed crockery bowl, using about a pound of chocolate at a time. Then set bowl over boiling water and beat until the chocolate is partly melted. Remove the bowl from the pan of water and stir rapidly with a fork until all of the chocolate is melted. The correct temperature of the chocolate for dipping is very important. It must be between $83-85^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. to be the right consistency. By using a heavy bowl and keeping it in $85^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. water, this temperature can easily be maintained. Milk chocolate will be stiffer at this temperature than dipping chocolate.

The temperature of the room is important too. It should be $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. or cooler. At this temperature, the chocolate coating will harden almost at once, giving a smooth glossy coating. To dip the chocolates, drop the cream center into the melted chocolate. Pick up the candy with

a two-tined fork, tapping the tong of the fork against the edge of the bowl to remove any excess chocolate. Now, drop the candy from the fork onto waxed paper. As the candy leaves the fork, there will be a little string of chocolate which, with a simple twist, you can make the professional swirl of chocolate that appears on candy tops. When the chocolates have hardened, remove from the waxed paper and store in boxes with fresh layers of waxed paper between the layers of candy. Cherry chocolates especially improve by being aged a week or two. The moisture of the cherry will liquefy the fondant into an especially delectable consistency.

THE END

## Because the frosting makes the cake...



## EASY CHOCOLATE FROSTING

Melt over hot water: 4 squares Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate $\cdot 3$ tablespoons butter or vegetable shortening.
Blend together: 4 cups sifted confectioner's'sugar - $1 / 8$ teaspoon salt . 7 tablespoons milk - 1 teaspoon vanilla.
Add hot chocolate mixture to sugar mixture and mix well. Let stand, stirring occasionally, until of proper consistency to spread on cake. Makes enough for two 9 -inch layers.

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SNOW-WHITE COUNTERPANE of Irish crochet scattered with the familiar roses, lined up with blue velvet ribbons and bows. Pattern includes lovely topping for café curtains. Pattern No. 1760, price 35c.

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PRETTY PINK WASHER AND DRYER match bright cheerful mood of this room designed for many ac-
tivities. Laundry supplies are stored in cabinets. Pegboard on walls is both decorative and functional.
(5) auxiliary kitchen. Now the whole family uses this room, and Jeanne no longer feels isolated doing the laundry in the basement as she did before.

A basement room always presents special problems, but they were beautifully solved here to prove that glamour can go hand in hand with practicality. Walls were furred out and hardboard surfacing was used to hide all the unattractive pipes which are an integral part of any basement. The ceiling was covered with acoustical tiles to keep noise from floating upstairs. A shocking-pink color scheme gives warmth and coziness. A custom-cut design in the floor? Not at all! These buttons and bow designs were cut from standard tiles and were so simple to do that any do-it-yourselfer could duplicate them. Since natural daylight was at a minimum, fluorescent fixtures were recessed in the ceiling to give good over-all lighting for any job Jeanne must do here. Additional fixtures were installed over areas where extra light is needed-over the sewing counter and the sink which is used for pretreating spots and stains before clothes are put in the washer.

SStorage ideas galore were included in their plan. Sliding-door cabinets were built to store not only laundry supplies but extra canned goods since kitchen space is limited. Pegboard was used in large quantities to simplify storage of small supplies which often get "lost" in a drawer. Pegboard over the long counter next to the freezer provides a handy spot to hang ironed shirts, blouses and Kathy's dresses, as well as small freezer packaging supplies. Counters are triple duty - the sewing counter serves as a desk area for Jeanne or play spot for games. The counter next to the freezer is used for wrapping foods going into the freezer, is also a wonderful spot to sprinkle clothes.
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PIPES DISAPPEARED behind furredout walls, but essential connections are still accessible whenever needed.


LUNCH ANYONE? Canned-goods overflow is stored in basementhandy for unexpected company.


BULLETIN BOARD above sewing counter holds patterns. A slot at rear of counter lets fabric fall free.

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JEANNE ADJUSTS new ironing table to full ironing width when doing large flat pieces or full skirts.


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This will be used as a "downstairs kitchen" area while entertaining in the future recreation room Rudy is planning. Outlets along this counter can be used to plug in a coffeemaker, frypan or sandwich grill-depending on the menu.

Jeanne had always longed for a spot in the house to use for sew-ing-and now she has it. She keeps the portable out on the counter most of the time. It's so easy to stitch up rips and tears in linens or clothes before they go into the washer if the sewing machine is out and ready for action. The old laundry chute was revised in this remodeling project. A flip-down door acts as a sorting shelf. Two laundry hampers were built to go under the chute. On wheels, they can be rolled over to the washer. Since Jeanne likes to sort soiled laundry into four categories, the hampers are divided.

H$H_{\text {ow do they like their new }}$ room? The kids think it's the greatest place in the house to play. Jeanne says, "It makes washing and ironing almost a pleasure." And Rudy gave us a grin at the end of our photographing day, indicating his full approval.

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## How Much an Hour?

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so fast and so gladly that you are earning premium pay?

Are you gardener-in-chief at your house? If you love gardening and have time, you won't need to pay for outside help. If you are a dedicated gardener who buys seedsin packets, rather than plants in flats, you'll enjoy earning that difference in price. If you have enough land, you can make your gardening hours pay with fruits and vegetables.

But if you loathe the daily maintenance even the smallest and least elaborate garden requires; if your lawn is more brownish than greenish and weeds grow among your petunias; if snails feast on your begonias and mildew camouflages your roses, could you have someone else handle the garden routine? And could you use your time to better advantage?

Perhaps you'd need a good excuse to pay someone to clean your house every week but if you hate housework enough and can find someone who does it better and faster could you figure out a way to earn the money to pay her?

$\mathrm{A}^{\text {rc }}$your windows easy to wash and is this a job you don't mind at all? Or do they require sitting three-quarters over nothingness from a second-story sill; and do you always wind up with a late dinner, a cross disposition, and streaky windows? How much does a professional window washer, complete with ladder, bucket, and chamois, charge?

Perhaps you would rather paint than wash windows. A painter commands a good hourly wage. Redecorate a room, rejuvenate the trim, refinish some old furniture, and you'll earn a real income.
If you think you can repaper the breakfast room as well as a professional, the labor charges you can save will pay to have your car washed and vacuumed about 25 times. Or would you rather pay the paperhanger and wash the car yourself? If your experience indicates that you'll probably waste two rolls of paper, cut three fingers, and stain the floor, you'd better forget the papering and concentrate on the car.

$\mathrm{H}^{2}$ave you been paying the laundry an exorbitant price for the ruffled curtains? You really don't mind ironing, but you can't find time to do them. Take that time from some other pursuit and see how much an hour you can earn. (continued)

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Do you cut your children's hair? Will Father let you practice on his? If you get a good result you can earn quite a sum in home haircutting, but if the result is so homemade you need a repair job, you've wasted the hour.
Somewhere in the busy hours and days and weeks of your life you are using that time. Are you using it to the best possible advantage? Are you making time your slave instead of your master? Only you can answer this.

Are you thinking of your time as being definitely "worth something" and trying to make it worth as much as possible? Are you concentrating on those tasks for which your talent, skill, experience and desire make you especially able? And trying to delegate to others those chores which lack of knowledge, tools, aptitude or interest prevents you from executing with maximum speed and excellence?

When you pause to reflect on the dozens of different kinds of jobs you do, or have done for you, or wish you could do-and the hundreds of hours involved does your audit show a healthy balance? Is your time being used to the maximum financial advantage for yourself and your family? How much an hour are you really worth?

THE END

## Do-lt-Yourself Tranquilizer

Surely you have read one or more articles about nervous tensions and how to release them. If you are a sufferer, you have probably received ample, unsolicited advice from sympathetic friends and family. Perhaps you have even queued up at the corner drug store for tranquilizer pills. The kinds of tensions differ with people, as do the causes. Your surroundings, claim some psychologists, can actively aggravate your tensions. According to an article we recently read entitled "Designs, Colors and Tensions", warm tones of red, for instance, heighten unrest, while cool shades of green tend to be relaxing. If you are a highly-keyed personality, the article suggests that symmetrical shapes in the furnishings that surround you will quiet jumpy nerves. Designs and colors it seems, play a large role in affecting our personalities and our tensions.
While we found the article interesting to read, we concluded that the best person to seek advice from, if you are a victim of nervous tension, is your doctor. However, if there is anything to this design and color idea, we can be very helpful to you through our *E-Z-DU Wallpaper. For, in this collection, you will find all scales of designs, symmetrical and asymmetrical. There is every coloration that is plausible and happily the prices are calming. As an extra therapy, E-Z-DU comes ready-pasted and pre-trimmed so that you can hang it yourself... just cut, wet and sponge smooth on the wall.
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(begins on page 30 )

When considering a new home, you probably look for a certain style of architecture, a nice piece of land and a good neighborhood with schools, churches, stores and public transportation nearby. But just as important as the appearance and environment of your home is its floor plan. Poorly arranged space within a house makes it a difficult and inadequate place to live. This is particularly true in a small home where privacy, convenience and efficiency must be attained in a minimum area. A variety of imaginative and realistic solutions to these problems is shown in our five $\$ 10,000$ homes.


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harnischfeger home with 902 sq . ft. of living area has a very efficient floor plan. Living, sleeping, and utility zones are separate from each other, yet conveniently related. Notice storage room convenient to kitchen.


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## How to make A TRUNDLE BED

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PRE-CUT ALL PARTS to size and pre-drill all holes, using a good grade of white pine, or less expensive wood if the bed is to be painted. Assembled pieces will fit over Harvard metal bed frames (available in department stores), topped with foam-rubber mattresses. See photograph 10 , page 82 .
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NO COMPLICATED JOINTS are used; legs are chiseled out to hold side rails (lap joint). Other joints are flat butt, secured with glue and screws.
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ASSEMBLE SIDE RAILS into posts.
Fit rails into pockets cut in legs, first coating surfaces with glue and securing with wood screws. Screws hold joints together while glue dries. This strengthens the joints.


4FASTEN NARROW WOOD strips (cleats) around the inside of the frame, using glue and screws running through cleats into side rails. Cleats hold plywood platform for mattress. See photograph 8, page 80 .

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wooo putct framing metal mesh on side of bed has been grooved to hold mesh. At this point, fasten wood rim in place; glue and screw to the outside of the rail.
cur the perforated metal mesh to correct size (size of bed frame), using a pair of tin snips. File edges smooth. Spray with a prime coat of paint. Dry 24 hours, then spray on finish coat. It will be easier to do this before assembling the frame.


SLIP metal sections into rim frame and then fit top parts of the frame into place. Fasten down top sections of the rim with glue and wood screws into the upright rim parts. Top pieces should now overlap the upright pieces.

DRILL 1 -in. holes about 8 in . apart in the $5 / 8-\mathrm{in}$. plywood. This allows foam-rubber mattress to breathe and will make it softer. Fit the platform into frame so it rests on cleats.



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An office to put Daddy in is as vital as a playpen to put Baby in. With Daddy underfoot all day, woman's work would not only never be done-it would never get begun.

You see, every man is convinced that while he slaves in town, his wife, on the other hand, leads a life of splendor-lolling in the sun on a contour lounge, eating lotuses and playing with Baby's pink piggies. Come his "day off," he'll roar at a crumb on the floor or an eggspoon in the sink, but perish forbid that you toil in his presence. It offends him to hear the rude rumble of the washing machine, the crass buzz of the vacuum cleaner.

So, to keep the peace and her house and her husband's illusions, woman had to create "The Office." But, being a woman, she had an ulterior motive. Woman really packed man off to work just so she could have him come home again each night at six.

For this is the delicious moment in woman's day . . when Daddy comes marching home! This is Lindbergh landing in Paris, the Yanks liberating Rome! Excitement washes over the family like the swoosh from a city streetcleaner's truck. "Wipe your nose-Daddy's coming home!" "Don't squash the sofa pillows-Daddy's coming home!" "Yeah, I dare ya-Daddy's coming home!"

But this can also be, sadly, a whopping fiasco. In too many homes, Daddy's homecoming celebration has no more titillation, glamor or finesse than a dried lentil. It would certainly lead Mr. Fadiman's man who invented work away from home to invent Night Work Away From Home. This not being a bright wife's idea of a bright idea, herewith a gaggle of tips, taboos and laboratory-tested gambits to make your man's homecoming a thing of beauty and a joy for, say, five minutes, anyhow.

The keynote is preparation. You can't begin too early. Ten minutes after the lunch dishes? This may mean getting up at five A.m. to whip the house into the shining American HOME-type serenity which Daddy expects but you need those afternoon hours for Putting Away.

Bear in mind his picture of glamorous and languid, lotus-eating You. Remove all telltale signs of your daily drudgery - vacuum cleaners, ironing boards, gaudy boxes of detergent to catch his eye, pails of gray water in the middle of the floor to catch his shin.

At the same time, remove all signs of children, being careful to preserve the children themselves, in as nearperfect a state as possible. Whereas no toys, books or other diversions should clutter the décor, the children's faces should shine with happy, intelligent, well-adjusted Gemütlichkeit. A moist washcloth should be whisked across their faces at the first crunch in the driveway.

Of course, you can't be held wholly responsible for what the children do or say. But you will be. So keep alert.

There's no need to discuss your personal appearance. We know you've applied a dot of red at the corner of the eyes to heighten their lustre. You've pinned things from the inside so it doesn't show. And, actually, it matters not a whit what you wear-so long as it's pretty as a picture, old as the hills, blue and something he gave you for Christmas, Mother's Day or your birthday.

But on to the big moment. Here the keynote is aplomb. Many a day of preparation has slipped down the drain through some zero-hour snag. Say Daddy happens to get the 5:15 instead of the $5: 48$. Try not to push your hair off your sweaty brow and shriek accusingly, "You're early!" On the other hand, if he gets the $5: 48$ instead of the $5: 15$, turn the corners of your dewy, freshly-rouged mouth up.

Always remember-he Tarzan, you Jane-he breadwinner, you lotus-eater. If, after eight hours of labor and fifteen years of marriage, he doesn't crush you in his arms like a clove of garlic, don't sulk. In fact, the basic secret of making pappy happy lies in what you don't do. Don't bring up money, going to the movies, men you could have married or minor repairs around the house. Let Daddy wallow in his tired blood in peace. This is not the time to pipe, "Did you know you had a spot on your trousers?" or "By golly, you're right, you are getting gray!"

Generally your conversation should be the same as if you were visiting a friend in a TB sanitarium-light, cheerful, uncontroversial, underscored with warm, mute sympathy. Work out some arrangement, too, for getting the children fed, read to, dunked, bunked and watered down without any help from anybody human. And speaking of children, you might want to copy a trick suggested by a friend of mine. To put Daddy at ease in his surroundings, she has little Johnny bring a check with his beer, and Johnny collects, too. But keep this trick in hand, or, first thing you know, Johnny will be starting a restaurant of his own, Daddy will give up working, and there you'd be-with all this priceless know-how on Daddy's homecoming and no Daddy coming home at all!


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