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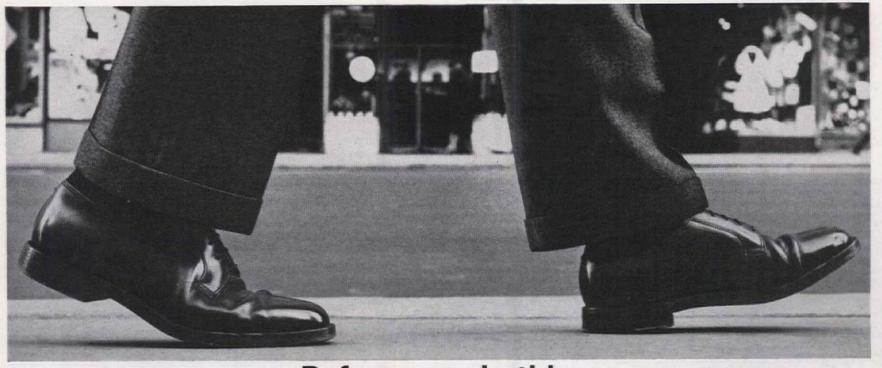
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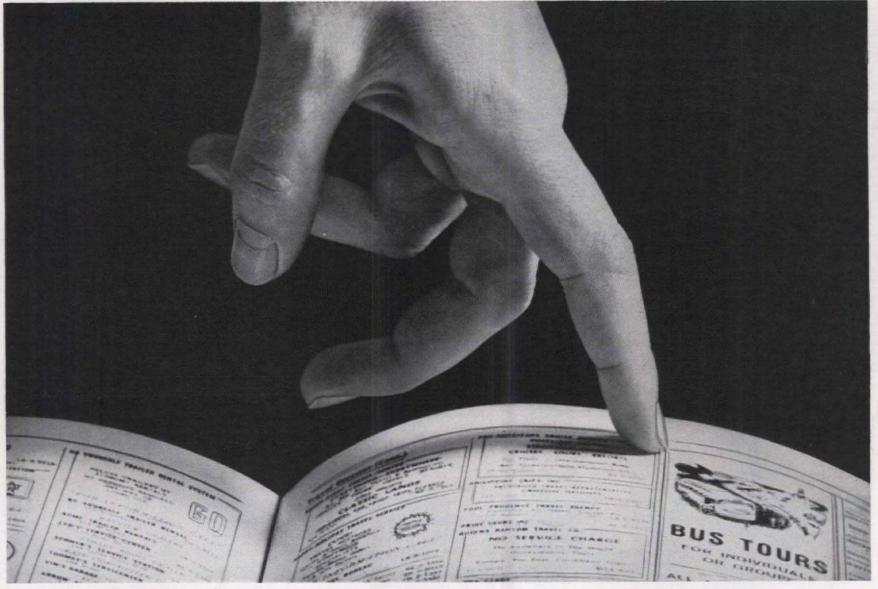


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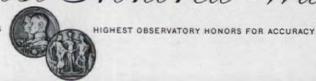
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OUR COVER

This month, blazes with the spirit of decorating we like to see—bold, honest, imaginative. It flashes with color, it impudently pairs contemporary fabrics with traditional lines. For more of this bravery, see page 29. Shopping information on page 67. Photographer: Irwin Horowitz.

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DEAR READER:

October has always been our favorite month. We love the varied colors of the landscape and the crystal-clear quiet you find only on an October night when the moon is full. October is an active month—a time to be busy and about things—a holdover no doubt from the days when the entire family turned out to get in the last of the harvest, the fodder, and the firewood.

This month finds the man of the house involved in storm windows, weather stripping, and other practicalities designed to make the house more comfortable in cold weather and reduce fuel costs. The article in this issue entitled "Today's Homes Need More Insulation—Does Yours?" tells what is needed to make your house snug, warm, and happy.

Fall is always an active time for that busy breed, the home gardener. We hope, however, that he won't be so busy with chores that he'll delay reading our article on unusual bulbs. These bulbs turn into real beauties, but if you want them to bloom next spring you'll have to get them into the ground before it gets too cold.

Take a drive through the countryside at this time of year and you'll have to agree that the number-one color expert in the universe is Nature. She does things with fall foliage that have to be seen to be believed. But close behind her in understanding of the use of color is a mortal lady named Dorothy Liebes who is interviewed in this issue. Internationally known as a textile designer and color consultant, Miss Liebes has encouraging words for the color timid. Numerous home furnishing and department stores will be supporting many of Miss Liebes's theories with colorful displays and promotions based on our "Lady Be Brave!" feature on page 29.

In November we'll be bringing you a big feature on rooms designed to give you more pleasure from home entertainment equipment—TV, hi-fi, stereo, home movie projectors, and all the other wonderful electrical and mechanical contraptions available today. This will include plans and construction drawings to help you adapt these ideas to your own needs and make it more fun to stay home with family and friends.

THE EDITOR

IF FIRE STRIKES

Does your family have a plan that can save their lives?

Every hour 66 homes are destroyed or damaged by fire somewhere in the United States. One person—most frequently a child or an elderly person—dies every hour and a quarter in a house fire. These figures from the National Fire Protection Association show our failure to heed fire hazards and our lack of preparedness should fire occur. If fire should break out in your home, would your family be prepared? Or, would your fate be similar to that of this Midwestern family?

It was a little past midnight on a crisp January morning when Mary Arthur, young mother of three small children, folded the last piece of laundry and glanced at the clock. Going into the living room, she switched on the television and curled up on the sofa to pass the time till the baby's two-o'clock feeding. It was very quiet in the house (Mary's husband was away on a business trip), and from time to time Mary dozed. After feeding the baby, she turned out the lights, and went to bed. But . . . a cigarette butt, which had fallen out of the ash tray, slowly smoldered on the living-room sofa.

A little after four o'clock Mary awoke, gasping for air. Trying to get her bearings in the thick smoke and intense heat, she stumbled, knocking over a lamp on a bedside table. Finally reaching the telephone, she succeeded only in getting it off its cradle before losing consciousness.

Shortly before 6 o'clock a neighbor noticed smoke coming from the Arthur house and telephoned the fire department. The firemen desperately battled the heavy smoke and intense heat which completely filled the house. But when they gained entrance it was too late. The deadly smoke and gases had taken the lives of the mother and her three children. The coroner set the time of death at one to two hours before the alarm.

Although the entire interior of the house was blackened from smoke which had spread through the heating ducts, the actual fire was confined to a small area around the sofa in the living room and the basement ceiling where the smoldering fire had burned through the floor.

The lessons that this tragedy points out are many. But the important one is that most people die not from severe burns but from the inhalation of hot smoke and lethal gases. Most of these fatalities occur on the upper floors of homes even though the fire is confined to the first floor. The reason for this is that heat rises, and along with it smoke and deadly gases. As the flames eat into various furnishings, a variety of gases are released. There may not be enough of one gas to kill, but the combination of several can be deadly. Another (continued on page 71)



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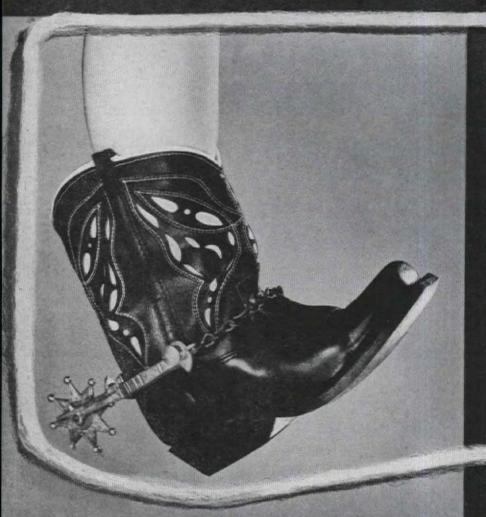


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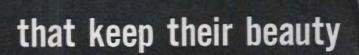


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FALL FESTIVAL ROUNDUP

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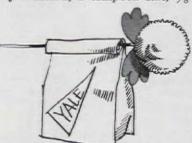
KICK-OFF TIME: 2 P.M. The end of summer does not necessarily mean that we who enjoy outdoor living and entertaining need haul in the tables and chairs and wait for next summer to arrive. Autumn brings us a host of entertaining adventures to try. Invite the gang to a football picnic served right at the field. Here is a menu (and two recipes) that works equally well set on the tailgate of your station wagon, on the patio, or indoors by an early-autumn fire.

French Onion Soup Celery Olives Carrots Pickles Chicken in a Sack Macaroni Salad Tomato-Watercress Sandwiches

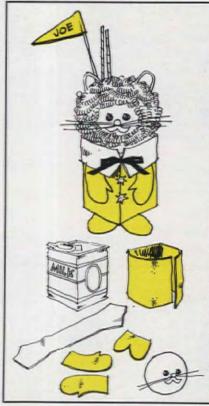
Apple Turnovers Fruit Cider Coffee

ONION SOUP: Preparation time: 10 minutes. Cooking time: 15 minutes. Peel, quarter, and slice thinly 1 large onion. Melt 3 tablespoons butter or margarine in medium-sized saucepan. Sauté onion until soft but not brown. Add 4 cups chicken broth (fresh, canned, or made from granulated bouillon or cubes), 1 tablespoon minced parsley, and 1/2 teaspoon crushed rosemary. Heat to simmering; add salt and pepper to taste. Pour into preheated widemouthed vacuum jug. Sprinkle each serving generously with grated Parmesan cheese. Makes 4 servings.

CHICKEN IN A SACK: Preparation time: 20 minutes. Baking time: 45 minutes. Combine in saucepan 1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce, 1/4 cup water, 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine, 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce, 2 tablespoons brown sugar, 2 teaspoons dry mustard, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/8



teaspoon pepper, and 1/4 teaspoon liquid hot-pepper sauce. Cook over medium heat until bubbly. Set oven at very hot (500° F.). Dip 8 chicken legs into sauce. Cut four large sheets of heavy-duty foil. Place 2 chicken legs on each piece. Spoon remaining sauce over legs. Fold top and sides of foil securely to seal. Place in heavy baking pan; cover. Bake 15 minutes; reduce oven heat to moderate (350°F.); bake 30 minutes longer. Serve hot or cold. Makes 4 servings. To tote to picnic, place each foil bundle in a bright paper bag or in a foil sack. Use plastic or paper hot-drink cups. Pack salad servings in waxed 8 oz. containers; chilled relishes, cheese slices, and fruit in plastic or foil.



PIXIE PLACE CARD holds party drink for child. For each souvenir, use:

1 empty 8 oz. milk container

1 Kurly Kate pot cleaner

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1 thin dowel or pencil

Buttons, sequins, wire, pipe cleaner Colored sippers

1 Styrofoam ball, 2" diameter

Cover milk container with felt for body, using white for color. Pin velvet ribbon bow to collar and tiny star buttons to coat. Cut out feet from black felt, glue to container. Large hands cut from same color felt as container covering are glued under collar. Cover Styrofoam ball with stretched-out pot cleaner, add pipe-cleaner ears, pin on felt mouth, sequin eyes, and wire whiskers. Make name place card of felt pasted to dowel and fasten to coat. Insert colored sippers into container opening after filling with party drink.

Information: Kurly Kate Corporation Drawings: Denman Hampson

WHO'S WHO AT HALLOWEEN. Remember when witches, goblins, and sheet-covered ghosts rang your doorbell for "Trick or Treat"? Well, don't look now, but the parade of small, odd-shaped creatures with sticky faces and large paper bags coming up your front walk are astronauts!

How do you costume a space-age trickster? It's easier by far than ruffling the flounces for a would-be princess. A good-sized roll of corrugated paper, well taped, and topped with a cone-shaped roll of the same material makes a very passable rocket. A snip or two with scissors provides peepholes and armholes. The rocketeer will keep busy all afternoon decorating his or her own space craft.

Robots will come in all sizes this Halloween, too. They walk, they talk, they giggle, they eat, and they are all propelled by real atomic boy or girl power. A couple of strong grocery cartons provide the necessary materials. The large size makes the body; a smaller one, the head. A little cutting that is no harder than transforming a pumpkin into a jack-o'-lantern turns the head into a mask and creates a reasonable facsimile of the body. Then the prospective wearer can go to work with crayons or poster paint to add the finishing, personal touches.

A football helmet resembles a space helmet and coveralls make a good space suit when coated with spray-on silver paint. Add a name tag 1970 Astronaut Bobby Smith to make it official.

For the astronaut who wishes to take a flying saucer along for the fun, one can be created from a very large piece of cardboard. Cut a hole in the center of the board big enough for the astronaut to step into and raise the board to his waist. Use rope suspenders to keep the saucer aloft. Cover board with foil or luminous silver or red paint. Attach 6 or 8 heliuminflated red or silver balloons at various heights around the outer edge of the saucer to give a floating look.

Variations are endless, so get ready for the countdown and prepare to see the latest 1962 witches blast off on a broomstick. Information: Joanne Young







JUNGLE TROPHIES set the theme for an after-school party. Sleepy Tiger felt pajama bag (\$1) does double duty as place card. You can write child's name on it in ink. Bashful Elephant and Smiling Lion are foam-backed linen-embossed, vinyl place mats (\$1), have matching cloth napkins. Use them as wall hangings, in child's room. Shopping Information, page 67.

INDIAN SUMMER is the time for indoor and outdoor entertaining. Set out bowls of apples and homemade doughnuts, carafes of mulled cider, spiced coffee, or hot chocolate for last-minute gatherings. A walk in the crisp autumn air gives you a yearning for a snack of cheddar cheese, roasted nuts, or a bright red juicy apple.

Round up electric griddles for an informal "make-your-ownpancake" party. Put out bowls of diced chicken, ham, fruit, and cheese with your favorite batter. Drop 2 tablespoons of filling onto poured batter after it has set. Allow to brown, flip and brown other side. Serve with hot maple or apple syrup.

FILL THE HOUSE with casual arrangements of fall flowers and foliage. Spray a wicker basket your favorite harvest color. Fill with tawny-hued chrysanthemums and spikes of dark cattail. A cardboard cornucopia covered with russet felt, spilling out bright yellow squash, gourds, Indian corn, and strawflowers is a traditional centerpiece for the season. Small bowls of bittersweet and dried flowers or masses of oak leaves in tall vases brighten any room. Apples decorated to look like jacko'-lanterns with nuts and raisins for features and pom-pon chrysanthemums for hats and collars are delightful table favors.

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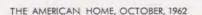


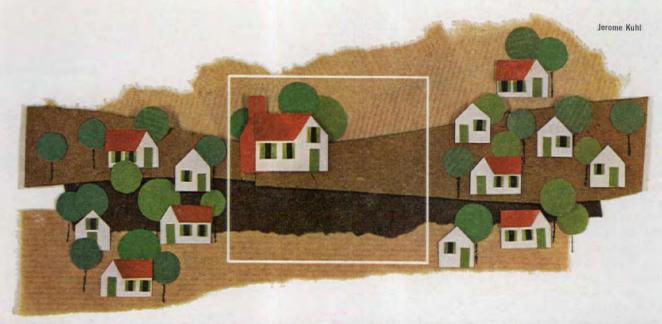
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IS DENSITY ZONING THE ANSWER IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

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Most communities were not prepared for the onslaught. Zoning laws were either nonexistent or outmoded. Many old-time residents were shocked at the sight of row after row of look-alike houses. Builders themselves were restricted to building houses on specific lot sizes and within certain limitations. The result in many areas of the country was monotonous regimentation. In addition to esthetic problems, subdivision building often brought with it the overburdening of utilities and schools and a whopping increase in taxes.

Many communities have made frantic efforts to limit the number of families building in their town. Zoning has been revised upward, calling for minimum lots of one, two, three, or more acres for a home. But many land planners firmly believe that large-lot zoning may bring on the very conditions it seeks to eliminate.

Frederick P. Clark, a well-known planner, says this: "Obviously a one-acre zone will keep out developers who want to develop half-acre subdivisions, just as quarter-acre zoning will keep out those who want to develop one-eighth-acre lots.

"But, even in communities which are suited to acreage zoning, it is not likely to slow over-all building activity. I know of one West-chester County (N.Y.) community that has a great deal of four-acre zoning. The largest number of subdivisions has been occurring in the four-acre zone and almost as many lots have been created in those four-acre subdivisions as in the subdivisions in the one-acre zone. I never recommend that acreage zoning be adopted as a means of slowing growth."

A study published by the Urban Land Institute (a research organization devoted to the problems of land use) tends to support this statement. The study shows what happened over a 10-year period in 11 suburban towns on the western edge of Boston. All have zones requiring one or more acres. Ten of the 11 have up-zoned, reducing the potential population capacity of the region from 95,000 to 58,000 homes. The study found that those communities or areas which are most attractive for residential purposes are being developed ahead of the less attractive ones in spite of their lot-size requirements.

Is density zoning a possible answer? Many opponents of up-zoning, per se, do support some of the reasons behind the movement: more orderly growth; prevention of highly increased taxes; preservation of rural character. But they feel this can be accomplished in a better way—which they term "density control."

Density control specifies the maximum number of family units that a given area of land should accommodate. Here's how it might work. It is stated, say, that there should be no more than 100 families in a particular 100-acre tract. But this doesn't mean each house must be on a one-acre lot.

For example, in Hillsborough Township, Somerset County, N.J.,

a builder can drop from one acre to a little over $\frac{1}{3}$ acre as long as he keeps over-all density of one family per acre. If he builds all 100 homes on half-acre lots, he'll have 50 acres left of the original 100. The surplus is deeded to the town for community purposes. William E. Roach, planning director for the county, calls this a land-reserve bank. "We're wasting our land if we make everybody build on one-acre lots," he states. In some communities using a similar plan, surplus land is retained (for common use) by the home owners in the development operating as an association.

Under another plan supported by Gerald Lloyd, President of Northern Properties, White Plains, N.Y., each lot in a subdivision is assigned a contribution toward the total amount of open space desired. A half-acre lot can be reduced 25 to 50 per cent, he believes, without injuring the neighborhood's character or the owner's enjoyment of his land. The total of this "contributed" land could be consolidated into a park or playground.

Another of his proposals is known as "density transfer." A developer would be permitted to buy two parcels of land, each of which might be zoned for 50 lots. Under density transfer, he could build all 100 homes in one tract by agreeing not to build any on the other.

One type of density control, becoming popular in well-planned developments, is "cluster-zoning." Houses are grouped in small "neighborhoods," surrounded by open space that cannot be built upon.

All the variations of density zoning help hold down the cost of land development—and consequently the cost of new homes. There are fewer streets to put in. Sewer lines can be shorter. Grading and landscaping of rough land can be avoided. Sites can be set aside for business and industries which can assume some of the tax load.

In addition, density zoning may be helpful in determining an area's amenities and appearance, which the Urban Land Institute has found is governed by four factors: 1. spacing of houses; 2. presence of such improvements as paved streets, curbing sidewalks, etc.; 3. amount of finished landscaping around each house; 4. architecture.

To be fully effective, the institute believes, it should be done on an area-wide basis, not project-by-project or suburb-by-suburb.

Says Gerald Lloyd: "There is a built-in bonus in density zoning which both the municipal authorities and the people should be made thoroughly aware of. The areas which are crucial to the healthy growth and structure of any urban area—parks, green belts, rights of way, schools, community centers—are there. Whether needed immediately or at a future date, space for them can be acquired at the same time the community is developed. These acquisitions are usually beyond fiscal means of a community at such a time. In most cases the land must be acquired at a later date at a much higher cost."

There is no such thing as one correct lot size for every family or every community. Each area of the country has problems which will determine how it faces the problem of an ever-expanding population. Most planners feel that large-scale regional planning (for business, industry, apartments, as well as for single-family homes) is the only way the problem can be solved. *The American Home* is planning a report on what is being done in the field of regional planning. It will appear in a subsequent issue.



JIM LISTON

THE DENNIS DAYS DO A KID-PROOF REMODELING

The attractive couple in the big, modern kitchen are smiling because, after months of remodeling, plaster dust no longer drifts through the house and the last workman has departed. When Dennis (the bell-clear Irish tenor of the Jack Benny show) and Peggy Day moved into their two-story, four-bedroom frame house in Beverly Hills, California, eleven years ago it was comfortable and adequate. They had three youngsters. But when the family grew to include five boys and three girls they had to remodel or build a new house.

Dennis doubted that they could remodel but his reluctance to move made him listen when his brother, Dr. James McNulty and his wife (actress Ann Blyth), showed him how architect Guy Bartoli had solved their problem. Dennis and Peggy were a little shaken by what Bartoli proposed: to demolish a onestory wing between house and garage and replace it with a two-story addition which would give them a larger kitchen and laundry, three new bedrooms, a playroom, and two additional baths.

"I liked his plan," says Dennis, "but I hated to think of Peg trying to manage in the middle of all that. I thought she had enough demolition to contend with from Tom, our four-year-old. But she was eager to get started."

The plan called for replacing Peggy's 11x12-foot kitchen with a room 16 feet wide and 20 feet long. The area formerly occupied by the maid's room would be used for a laundry, a new entrance, and stairway to the second floor. Adjoining it would be a pantry for canned goods, a lavatory, and room for two freezers and an "extra" refrigerator.

Working with the architect Peggy chose her kitchen equipment. Along one wall she wanted double built-in ovens, with warming drawers below and storage cabinets above; next to it a surface cooking top with a vented hood above. A stainless steel sink and a refrigerator completed the lineup. For a six-foot counter on the opposite wall she specified a built-in gas barbecue (Dennis is often a weekend chef), and an appliance center with retractable cords for coffee makers and electric fry pans. She chose a third oven with French doors for the space below this counter.

"That was a last-minute idea and one of the best," (continued on page 16)



George de Genna



The Dennis Days' new kitchen (top) was designed to prepare meals for 10 and usually twice that on weekends. Island counter contains two dishwashers and a three-bowl sink. Kitchen has two refrigerators and two freezers. Unlike old kitchen, cabinets are laminated plastic in wood-grain pattern.



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Dennis Day (continued from page 12)





New two-story wing links older section of house (left) with garage. Children's rooms and playroom can be reached by new stairway. Formerly children had to cross kitchen or use front entry to get to their bedrooms.



Corner of kitchen was utilized for built-in barbecue, oven, fold-down range unit, and desk. Draperies are ventilated rigid plastic.

Peggy's 12-foot storage unit in kitchen has 32 molded plastic drawers for china. Adjustable shelves hold glassware, serving pieces.

says Peggy. "I need that oven for casseroles when we're entertaining large groups."

A 14-foot island counter accommodates two dishwashers; a stainless steel, three-bowl sink; and drawers for utensils and linens. Above the counter, two long shelves supported by anodized aluminum tubes hold condiments and spices.

The American Home visited Peggy one day to see how the remodeling was progressing. She was her usual cheerful self, surrounded by swatches of drapery fabric, chips of laminated plastic, squares of vinyl floor tile and acrylic carpeting, and samples of a new vinyl wall covering for the children's bedrooms.

Peggy is delighted with her new kitchen—it functions so well!

"I have room to work, even when the house is full of guests. You know how people wander out to the kitchen. On Christmas we had 17 adults and 18 children for dinner and much of the time they were out here admiring the new equipment. Three women can work in this kitchen without getting in one another's way."

Counter tops are laminated plastic in a gold and white design; the vinyl floor tile is white with taupe flecks and gold diamond insets. Cabinets have a laminated plastic finish in a wood-grain pattern accented by the copper tones of the range hoods, refrigerator and dishwasher fronts.

In the breakfast area, which is now separated from the kitchen by a peninsula counter and a suspended cabinet, Peggy has centered an ovalshaped table that seats 10. The walls are decorated with vinyl wall covering in a bronze and gold leaf pattern, with pagodas adding an oriental touch.

"A big improvement in the kitchen is the luminous ceiling," said Dennis. "We have a couple of dimmer switches and when Peg turns them up every corner of the room is bright."

On the second floor of the new addition the ceiling was raised on a small dormer bedroom above the garage to give Pat, Dennis, Jr., and Michael a 20x20' room called "the dormitory." Peggy's decorating skill shows to good advantage here. Each boy has a walnut desk and chest with a matching bookcase headboard for his bed. Gold quilted cotton bedspreads repeat the color of the vinyl wall covering. There are sill-length. cream-colored draw draperies shot with gold. A dado of ash paneling surrounds the room. Under a pulldown lamp, the boys have a sturdy game table they use when working on hobbies.

"The man who built our kitchen counters was kept busy up here covering table tops with laminated plastic," says Peggy. "I insisted on the same tops for all their furniture."

The Days planned the children's playroom as a second family room with an eye to the future. ("We'll soon have a lot of teen-agers.") Approximately 20x20', the room is ideal for dancing and buffet meals. A counter with storage cabinets above and below doubles as a pantry and

hobby area. A cabinet houses television and stereophonic equipment. There's an expandable game table, a permanently installed blackboard, and two Danish-style sofas which provide seating for television and convert to beds for overnight guests.

In Margaret and Eileen's (9 and 7) bedroom the color scheme was taken from the blue, green, and lavender flowered wall covering. The vinyl floor covering subtly repeats these colors. The girls have twin canopy-style headboards trimmed with the turquoise fabric used for the traverse draperies. Their twin French provincial desks and chests have white laminated plastic tops.

"Dreamy," say the girls, but practical too.

For Tom and Paul's room the Days bought Danish-style, wall-hung walnut desk-and-shelf units that serve them well now and can be added to as they need more study space and additional bookshelves.

The Days have noted several changes in their living habits as a result of the remodeling.

"The rooms the boys had before were smaller and cluttered faster," says Peggy. "They didn't have enough closet and storage space, so half the time their things were strewn around the room."

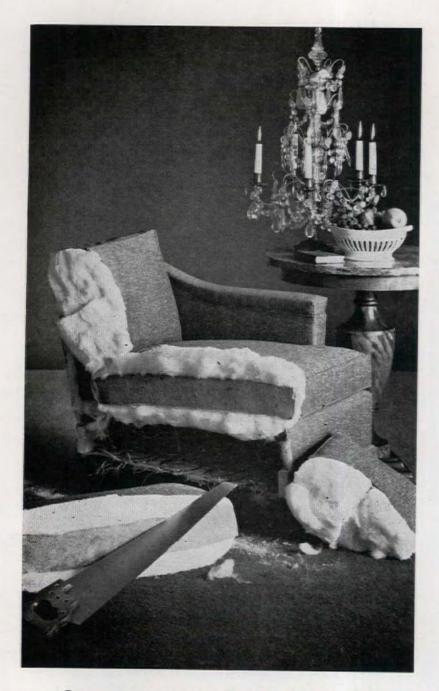
"The new addition is practically kid-proof," says Dennis. "It has done more to preserve the rest of the house—and Peg and me—than all the 'don'ts' we've said in the last 10 years."



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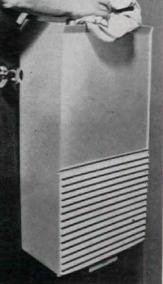
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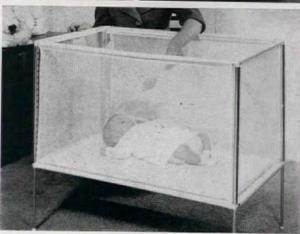












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Are there "good" colors and "bad" colors?

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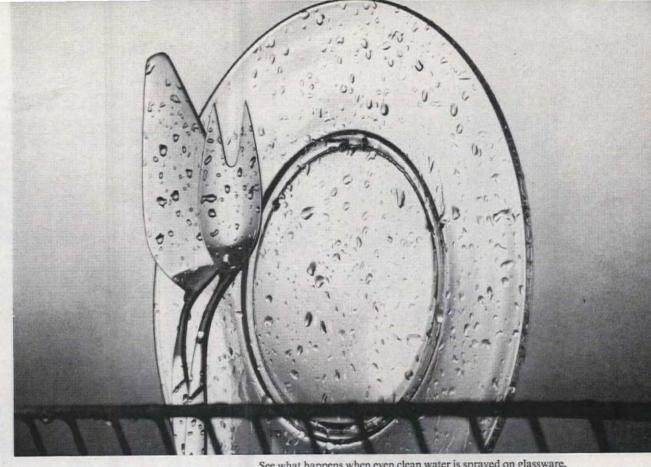
Well, lack of experience, of course, first and formost. Secondly, lack of exposure. If you had grown up surrounded by art, by paintings, ynaturally gravitate to color. That, I believe, is of the reasons that the Samoans are such a conful people—they're surrounded by color in naturally grow up in the gray, drab, old city who bursts of color are more or less concentrated museums, special shows, department store of plays—you aren't quite as accustomed to confuncion and incidentally, I personally feel that color is seasoning. You can take more and more as y grow up and become accustomed to it.

What specific suggestions do you have for ar teur decorators?

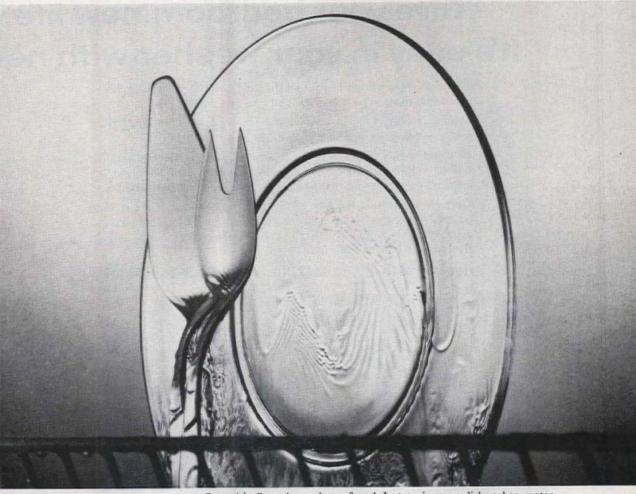
Get advice. There are many, many sources, and think anyone who's going to decorate his or line home should do a lot of research, a lot of case work beforehand. Paint! Experiment with color oils preferably, or pastels. Visit what I call the piple's museums, the department stores, to swonderful rooms with beautiful color schemes Keep a scrapbook, collect clippings from the big magazines, gather swatches of color. And put you colors together. No matter what your color schemes that to have balance and rhythm. (continued on page

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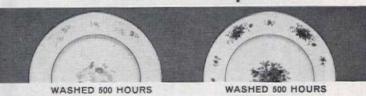
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Colors as old as the Fourth of July add warmth and substance to a highly functional contemporary corner. Modern Scandinavian furniture, sprightly blue printed draperies, and that fearlessly red fire hood are products of today, but they have their roots in the past. The guest who wins the Murphy bed behind the tall white doors will surely find Bach and Brubeck side by side on the record shelves at left. Vinyl tiles create an interesting pattern on the hearth and wall behind the fireplace.



Colors with plenty of back talk give this essentially traditional country living room its bouncing 20th-century vitality. Warm, nostalgic, and piney, yes—but never hidebound. There's orange as fresh as your morning juice and green as sharp as a lime. The toile sofa and handsome woven rug are bold as only black and white can be. Pine paneling stained white is a perfect backdrop. "Hand-pegged" floor is vinyl.

Elegance that avoids clichés like poison is the object lesson in this striking hallway. Clearly not just any hallway, it flaunts its individuality everywhere you look. The grasscloth-covered walls are a rich red, and match the living room carpet. Lush inky-black carpeting covers the stairs with their slickas-patent painted railing. The unusual wallpaper with colorful topiary print has a bright white background which, along with the spanking white vinyl floor, contrasts effectively with the dark tones. Accessories are few but well chosen for their interest and usefulness. With this brave start, the rest of the Chicago home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Lipschultz is done in white with accents of red, black, and green. You, too, can try your decorating wings in the small areas of your home-experiment with courage in the rooms you pass through rather than those you live in.



Imagination soars in a row of paper lanterns hung blithely in a room painted one of the new deep blues. They're inexpensive, dramatic lighting fixtures, and an ingenious room divider as well. To throw new light on your room, you might hang one huge lantern over a dining table-or use a pair flanking the sofa to free end-table tops. Spotlights, planter lights, and valance lights are other luminous ideas.

Fresh-faced fabric and paint turn a quiet upstairs hall into a lively point of interest. An old mahogany server sheds its formality with a coat of blue paint; ordinary hardwood floors spring to life with a stain of bright red. Adding a wall panel to match the draperies at the louvered window is one of the flights of inventiveness that can stamp your home with individuality at very little cost. Try it!

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An adventure in wonderland is easily created out of ordinary construction paper in gay all-out colors and blowups of charmingly sophisticated "Alice" drawings. You might substitute your own child's daubings. The pint-size canopy echoes the flouncy dust ruffle to make any little girl feel like a princess.

Swashbuckling stripes and spunky blue-and-white enamel decorate built-in split-level bunks in this spruce boys' room. Spicy mustard wall is an unexpected color choice that breaks up the angular shape of the room. Splashes of red and imaginative display of books and toys on the wall add flavor to this room.



Nonconformist printed cotton is used with lavish abandon in this uniquely personal bedroom. The handsome hand-painted East Indian fabric covers the walls, closet, and closet doors. It's teamed with lush carpeting in brilliant, off-the-beaten-track lime. The off-white Indian crewel bedspread with its thick border of fringe is suitably unusual and luxurious. A small "floating" night table and an impressive antique Sheraton writing table seem perfectly at home with each other. Carefully selected light fixtures are wrought iron with frosted globes. In the private world of your bedroom, there's every excuse for self-expression such as this. This is the room that should be as personal as your fingerprint. Nowhere else in the house can you be brave so unobstrusively, so go ahead and dare!





Roses in the laundry (top) may not be usual, but if you spend precious hours there, why not gild the utility room? Indulge in lacy pink Victorian wicker chairs cushioned in geranium red, and ladylike tambour curtains. Practical notes: the pink and white harlequin walls are steamproof laminated plastic, the flower-strewn floor is vinyl, laundry units are tucked away in louvered cabinets.

Shimmering emerald green door is an elegant bit of derring-do against clear white walls. Pleated panels of silk taffeta are neatly mounted in a deep green frame. Ornate gold handles add the finishing touch. Look around at your doors and see if you couldn't work a few miracles with an inspired new face of paint, fabric, or wallpaper.





Designer: Donald Chestnut of Cannell & Chaffin Photographer: George Szanik



Appearing out of the blue, this handsomely appointed lavatory disappears behind sliding louvered doors when not in use. It's built into the bedroom closet wall, adjoins the full master bath at left. Color of door picks up the clear, important blue of the medallion-print draperies.

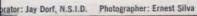
Jewel-toned cabinets in un-kitcheny amethyst and lilac look as fresh as a sprig of heather in this sleek cooking center. Refrigerator door is an irreverent but eye-soothing garnet red. Accessories in adjoining dining area repeat the purple theme. By day or night, the area is bathed in noon-bright light, thanks to the luminous ceiling. Kitchen is practical as well as beautiful: panels are new laminated silk plastic, counters are sturdy laminated plastic.

Hot pink and pomegranate colors are dominant features of this charmingly individual dining room. An unusual pyramid arrangement of hibiscus blossoms on the table repeats the colors. But accessories in bolt-of-lightning blue are a brave color accent. With a wardrobe of brightly colored linens, candles, and bowls, it's easy to change the personality of your basic set of china from one festive dinner party to the next. Imaginative lighting and a thoughtful mixture of Italian and Mexican furnishings with a handsome French provincial table set the style of the room.

A nonchalant mixing of periods, patterns, and textures produced this strikingly personal yet oddly serene living room setting. There are chairs of assorted hallowed traditions, a coffee table of Chinese descent, Spanish-style sconces-and note the courageous contemporary attitude toward fabric, wallpaper, and window-dressing. The figured carpet is, in itself, a stroke of individuality. Vibrant jewel tones were chosen for the comfortable fireside chairs. A bright orange lamp, with shade to match, is an unexpected and effective accessory.









Bravery comes in many colors, especially red and yellow. This audacious palette of shades from sunny saffron to glowing magenta would be notable in a contemporary setting, is devastating in this 18th-century living room. If you love the mellow, curving grace of period furniture, you don't have to live without the high-spirited beauty of modern arts and crafts-a blazing contemporary oil, a brilliant loomed rug. Here's proof that picking and choosing from two or more eras can result in a more vital and expressive room.

LADY BE BRAVE IDEAS—ON DISPLAY—IN THE FOLLOWING FINE STORES: Breuner's, Northern California; Bullock's, Inc., Los Angeles; Foley Bros., Houston; Halle Bros., Co., Cleveland; John M. Smyth Co., Chicago; Jordan Marsh Co., Boston; Macy's New York, New York; Rich's, Inc., Atlanta; Robinson Furniture Co., Detroit; Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney, Inc., St. Louis; Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia.

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A. M. WATKINS

TODAY'S HOMES NEED MORE

Even though you may think your house, new or old, is insulated, it's a good bet there's either no insulation in it, or—almost as bad—not enough.

This is true wherever you live. New research has uncovered facts about insulating values that show it is as vital for you to insulate your home in Jackson, Mississippi, as in Jackson, Michigan.

Why? Because a fully insulated house will cut heating and cooling costs; will shave the initial cost of installing a heating and/or cooling unit, and will keep your family more comfortable and healthier.

How do you recognize a fully insulated house? By a new consumer yardstick to measure the installed value of insulation. It is called R value. Briefly, if you are talking about ceilings, your R value should be 19; for walls, 11, and for unheated crawl spaces, 13. For a complete chart, see page 77.

You can check the new R value of an insulation simply by looking for it on the package, since it is now clearly marked on most brands. Not all makers, to be sure, stamp the R value on their products. But you can demand of your supplier that what you buy conforms to recommended R values.

These recommended values should be followed exactly if your home is (1) electrically heated, or (2) air conditioned. It should also be followed if your winter weather ever drops below 10° F., no matter what kind of heat you have in your house.

Here's why. Recent research on a number of typical 1200-square-foot houses in all parts of the country showed that, if fully insulated, such houses could be heated and cooled for approximately \$150 a year. That's about \$13 a month. How does that compare with your heating bill alone?

In Oberlin, Ohio, where winters are really cold, an owner of a home that is now fully insulated, says, "We no longer have to move the children's beds away from the outside wall when cold weather first strikes. There are just no more drafty rooms in our house."

What about the family in Jackson, Mississippi, that doesn't care to air condition their home, and has oil forced-warm-air heat? Why should they insulate as heavily as their Northern neighbors or the owners close by who plan to cool their home? Because even though you may not want to air condition your home, future

owners may, and selling your house will be considerably easier if prospects know they can add air conditioning without insulating any more. Besides, you may change your mind about wanting air conditioning, and insulating when you build will cost you much less than insulating after the house is finished.

But can you get away with less insulation in a warm climate? The answer is yes. You can use the following R value standards: ceilings, 13; walls, 8; unheated crawl space, 9. How much would you save? On a \$20,000 house about \$100. But if you add air conditioning later on—even a window unit—don't expect to save as much money as you could on power.

buy? Best way to find out is by a check of the house blueprints and specifications. Besides the usual wall, ceiling, and floor insulation, also check for adequate insulation in such overlooked places as dormers and garage ceilings, as noted in fact sheet, page 79. Does the insulation equal recommended R value standards?

If not, you merely ask for enough additional insulation. All you need do is specify the R values you want. You will probably be charged about \$125 extra, the usual cost for beefing up the insulation content of the average new house. But the same insulation can cost considerably more if it is done after the house is finished. Of course, additional insulation may be difficult to obtain when you negotiate for a new house.

If you are strapped for money when you build or buy a new house, a good idea is to have only the walls and floors (if necessary) insulated to the hilt and leave the attic floor till later. Unlike walls, the attic nearly always can be easily insulated any time afterwards at no more expense than the cost during construction.

You should also know that buying a new house with a full quota of insulation can get you a good break on mortgage terms with an FHA-insured mortgage. This can mean a higher evaluation on the house, in other words more house or more equipment (such as kitchen appliances) at virtually no increase in the cash down payment required. FHA rules permit more liberal terms in such cases because you benefit from lower fuel bills and are therefore rated a better mortgage risk.

What about an older home? If your older home has no insulation, the R values will serve as a guide for

INSULATION-DOES YOURS

installing completely new insulation. If your home has some insulation already, tell your contractor or building-material dealer what kind it is, and how much you have, in inches. He will determine how much more you need to give your home maximum insulation.

Suppose there's no way of telling how much insulation you have without breaking into walls or floors. How can you tell what you need? You can tell you need more insulation in several ways. How much more is a decision for an insulating contractor. Here are some indicators:

- 1. During cold weather put the palm of your hand flat against your walls. If they feel cold to the touch or decidedly colder than an interior partition, they have little or no insulation. Excessive heat is leaking out. Do the same for the ceilings and floors, particularly the crucial outside band of floor area near your exterior walls. If cold, insulation is needed.
- 2. How high do you keep your heating thermostat in winter? If you find you must keep the temperature higher than about 75°, it's another indication that the house is not well insulated. Besides the people quoted earlier, a remarkable number of families report that they can keep their houses at about 70° after insulating, or 5° to 10° lower than before.
- 3. Does snow remain on your roof? Or does it quickly melt away, though it stays on neighbors' roofs? It will melt fast when an inadequately insulated attic lets a lot of heat escape upward.
- 4. Also notice if the snow remains piled up around the side walls of your house. This is a good sign. But if the snow is quickly melted all around the house skirt, it means little or no insulation. You are paying to heat the snow as well as the house. This is a good test particularly for determining if the floor of a house without a basement is properly insulated.
- 5. When was the house built? Most houses built before the end of World War II were built with no insulation. Houses built from then up to about 1955 usually got some insulation in the attic but none in the walls or floor. And houses built since 1955 generally got somewhat more in the attic, a little in the walls, and sometimes slab or crawl-space floor insulation. The exact amount varied from builder to builder.

Do you need vapor barriers with your insulation? Regardless of the kind of house, vapor-barrier protection is

considered essential if the average temperature in January is 35° or less. This embraces roughly the upper two-thirds of the United States but excludes much of the Pacific-coast region.

Insulation can be had with or without an integral vapor barrier, a lining of asphalt-impregnated paper or aluminum foil on one side of the insulation. It prevents insidious water vapor in the house air from infiltrating the house structure. In other words, it keeps the structure dry in the same way that a foil wrapping preserves a pack of cigarettes. This in turn shields the house from moisture condensation inside the walls and attic, from wood rot, and other such damage as paint blistering and peeling on the outside walls.

Vapor barriers also safeguard insulation from moisture. Like gunpowder, insulation is best only when dry. Heat will pass quickly through wet insulation just as it can burn your hand when you pick up a hot pan from the stove with a wet pot holder.

Not all insulation, however, has an integral vapor barrier. Then you provide a separate vapor barrier, such as aluminum foil or a sheet of polyethylene plastic, at the same time the insulation is put in. But sometimes it is impossible to provide a vapor barrier, as, for example, when insulation is blown into the existing walls of a house. In this case a vapor-barrier paint can be used on the *inside* walls of your house when you redecorate.

When do storm windows and weather stripping pay off?

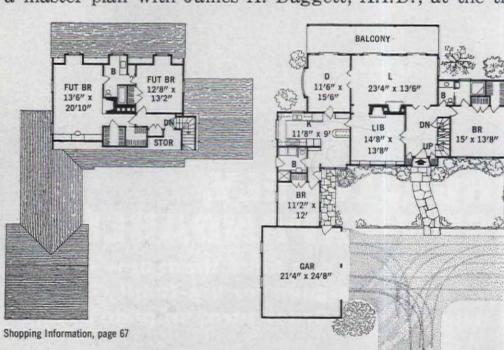
As a rule storm windows will return big dividends in comfort and fuel savings in any weather belt where single-pane glass windows fog up with moisture condensation in winter. A storm window is merely insulation for glass, a second pane of glass to shield the inner glass from cold and wind. Heat leakage through the glass is reduced by about 50 per cent, fewer downdrafts form at the windows, and window fogging is sharply reduced.

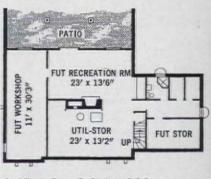
There is also sealed double-glass, two sheets of glass with a sealed air space in between. Often called insulating glass, it also cuts heat loss from windows by about 50 per cent, but it surpasses ordinary storm windows in appeal because of two panes of glass to keep clean versus four with storm windows, it is better looking, and it eliminates the bothersome chore of putting up and taking down storm windows every fall and spring. Sealed glass costs more, to be sure, but (continued on page 76)





A world of space opens up at the rear of this lovely home—directly from the future recreation room on the lower level to the brick patio, and from the living and dining rooms on the first floor to the balcony. You can see by the plans below why space *inside* the home is no problem. And if you study the floor plan carefully, you'll understand why it is not only a model of good circulation, but that it also provides a well-zoned home. You may also notice that the two upper bedrooms and bath, and the entire lower level are labeled "future." This was the secret of building so large a house on a relatively modest budget. Bill and Joan Thompson, Jr., of Princeton, New Jersey, knew that this was the house they eventually wanted. Bill even made some of the suggestions for its design. By not finishing the upper floor (which saved them roughly \$4000) nor the lower floor (a saving of about \$3800) the Thompsons gained the house they wanted now, not later. As their family grows, so will their ability to finish off the rooms they'll need. Future finishing should be no problem since all the mechanical equipment is sized to serve the whole house. For example, the heater output is sufficient to keep the entire house at a proper temperature. In addition, all present heating ducts are large enough to take care of future needs. Also, the plumbing, heating, and wiring are roughed in for both the upper floor and the lower level. Even future decorating will not be a problem. The Thompsons drew up a master plan with James A. Daggett, A.I.D., at the time their house was built.





Architect: Dana G. Stetser, A.I.A. Information: Dorothy Rodenburg

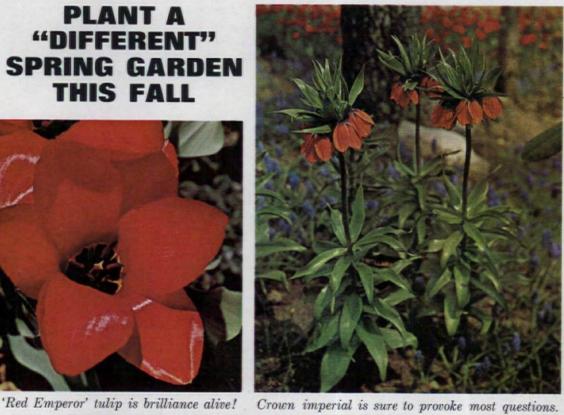


THEODORE A. WESTON

Think for a minute of springtime. Then think how much color and excitement the flowers below could bring to your garden come springtime 1963! They're a sampling of the many "different" springflowering bulbs that are just as easy to grow, and almost as easy to obtain, as the standard trumpet daffodils and May-flowering tulips that you know so well. If you crave a strikingly new distinctiveness in your garden from the very start of spring, try some of these magnificent nonconformists. Now's the time to buy them, and the sooner you get them planted the better. Unconventional tulips include a varied assortment of colors, shapes, and sizes. The vivid, enormous, early-blooming fosteriana variety,

"DIFFERENT" SPRING GARDEN THIS FALL



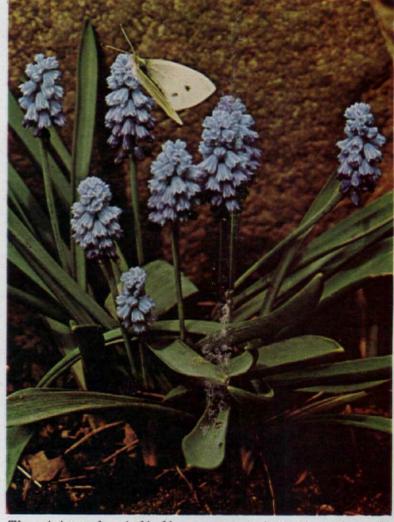




Parrot tulips qualify as beatniks of the family.



The snowdrops are modest—but always talked-about because they're so early.



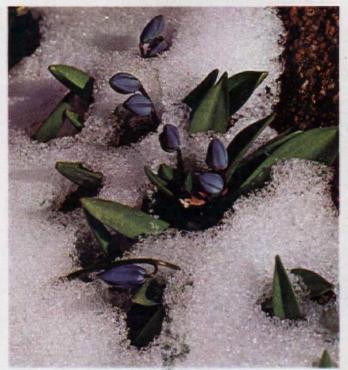
The miniature hyacinth's blueness attracts butterflies and people.

'Red Emperor,' shown at the left, grows 18-22" high; 'Princeps' has almost identical flowers but grows only 10-12"; and 'White Emperor' is like its red brother but pure white. The spectacular, starlike kaufmanniana or waterlily tulips include yellows, reds, and yellow-red blends, and, growing only 8-10" high, they're the perfect traffic-stopper to plant at the front of a foundation planting, border, or in any spot where something brilliant but low-growing is wanted. The double-flowered kind look more like peonies than tulips. They include many colors and come in both early and late flowering types; the early flowering ones grow about 12" high, the late 18-20" high; both have large, full (continued on page 75)

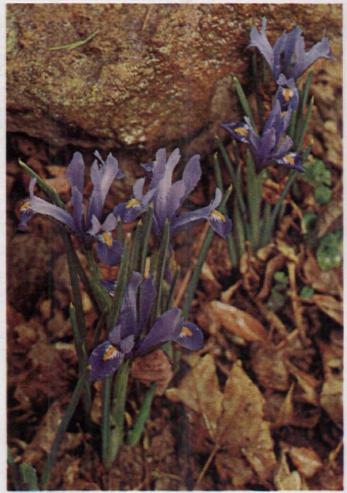




Kaufmanniana tulips are sure to be star performers. Fragrant, cluster-flowered daffodils are delightful both in the garden and as cut flowers.



Siberian squills are spring's first sign of intense blue.



Iris reticulata is the garden's earliest orchid-like flower.



Double tulips are big and peony-like.







FRENCH
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In this lesson our chef, Joe Hyde, demonstrates the gentle art of braising. He cooks this tender, juicy, delicious rolled veal shoulder in a tightly covered pan with just a small amount of liquid and a *mirepoix* of fresh young vegetables. The cooking is slow, the heat low to seal in the flavor and save all the precious, succulent juices for a memorable sauce to ladle over the delicate veal slices. You will find some more braising tips on page 68.

BRAISED SHOULDER OF VEAL

Ingredients: Rolled veal shoulder, 2 c. ch. onions, 3 carrots, 2 stalks celery, 2 c. white wine, 2 c. water, 3 cloves garlic, 2 bay leaves, 1% c. flour, 1% lb. butter, salt, pepper, cognac.



1. A veal shoulder has little fat, so it doesn't roast well. Braise it in juice to keep in the juices already there. Smear the outside with butter to seal them in as it browns.



2. Salt and pepper the meat. I always use a pepper mill.

I like the pepper freshly ground for better flavor. Now put the meat into a 500° oven so that it can brown.



3. When the top of the veal is brown, in about 10 minutes, turn it. Turn it a few times to brown all sides. Brown it as much as you can to get that wonderful taste.



4. Chop the celery, carrot, and onion—
the mirepoix. The accent is on onion
in a dish that is brown. Onion asserts
itself against the strong flavor you get when things brown.



5. When the meat is all browned add the *mirepoix*, garlic, and bay leaves. Mix it in and around so it browns a bit, for it's the browned onion taste that you want in the sauce.



6. After the mirepoix has browned a bit pour the flour on top of the veal. Turn the meat to mix it in—till you can't see any white. Note how the flour has absorbed the grease.



7. Add the water and wine. Cover pan and return to oven. Heat the liquid 10 minutes. Turn the oven to 325°. Braise for 1½ hours. Turn meat at least once during the braising.



8. Strain juice from roaster into a pot. A large exposed area is best to reduce a sauce. Bring to a high boil. Reduce the juice to half to increase flavor, color, and thickness.



 Season the sauce to taste. Have it a bit on the strong side, for the flavor will be diminished by the mild meat. If you add cognac, pour with a finger on top to control it.



10. Do some carving in the kitchen. As veal has a tendency to fall apart, cut thick enough slices. Always carve some of the roast ahead, if you can, then bring it to the table.



11. Spoon some sauce over the meat and pour the rest into a sauce boat. Make veal look as good as it tastes—garnish!

Serve it within 20 minutes after it comes from the oven.



STEPHEN MICHAEL

Seemingly weightless are the frothy, delicate desserts you can fashion with piquant grape-fruit, oranges, lemons, or limes. Our Heavenly Grapefruit Cake to wit! This ambrosial food is flavored with grapefruit juice and grated rind, topped with orange butter cream frosting, and adorned with orange and grapefruit

sections. Want more recipes to titillate the palate? Turn to page 63 for gossamer Lime Angel Meringue, smooth creamy Lemon Meringue Pie, cooling Old-Fashioned Lemon Ice Cream, tangy Orange Rice Imperial, and Crêpes Maltaise Flambé. But first—go out and buy citrus fruits by the bag or dozen!



Great idea: Campbelled eggs



CHEESE SCRAMBLE (Pictured)

It's got the zip, the tangy goodness of Cheddar Cheese. Stir 1 can Campbell's Cheddar Cheese Soup until smooth. Blend in 8 slightly beaten eggs and dash pepper. In skillet, melt 2 tbsp. butter; pour in eggs. Cook over low heat until set, lifting eggs gently now and then. 4 to 6 servings.



MUSHROOM SCRAMBLE

Cream of Mushroom Soup makes them M'm! M'm! Good! Stir 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup until smooth. Blend in 8 slightly beaten eggs, dash pepper. In skillet, melt 2 tbsp. butter; pour in eggs. Cook over low heat until set, lifting eggs gently now and then. 4 to 6 servings.

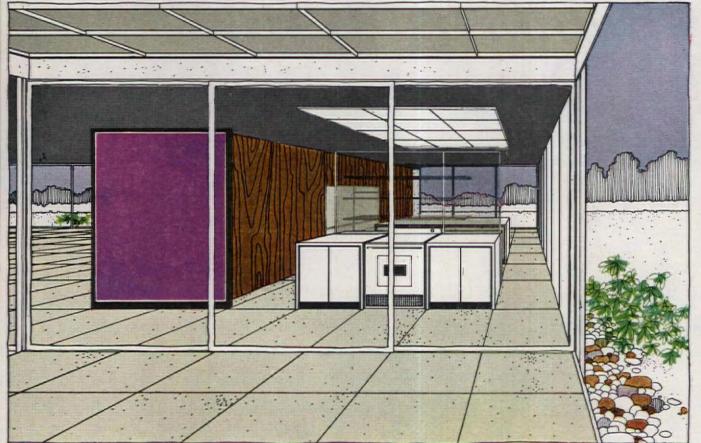


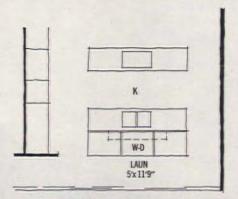
INCLUDE A LAUNDRY IN YOUR PLANS

If you are building or buying a home, or remodeling the one you have, you are making a big mistake if you overlook the need for a well-planned laundry. It's almost as serious as your forgetting the kitchen or bath!

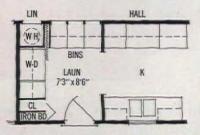
For far too long the laundry has been the stepchild of the house—squeezed into some left-over space in the kitchen or relegated to the far reaches of the basement. More the pity because with today's wonderful washers, dryers, or combinations, hardly a day goes by that you don't do a load of laundry. And in a poorly planned laundry, you are not only wasting your time and energy, you are not getting peak performance out of the equipment you own.

Well aware of the problem, many manufacturers of laundry equipment are devoting considerable time and effort to betterplanned laundries in the home. The plans you see here are from Maytag's Home Laundry Idea Center. The Maytag people invited leading architects from across the country to develop original ideas for laundries in various areas of the home, in different architectural styles, and for a wide range of cost. These ideas will be helpful to you if you are working with an architect or a builder, or if you're completely on your own. They can be adapted to any size or shape of room and according to your budget. Chances are, if you are insistent enough about an honest-to-goodness laundry, you'll find the perfect spot for it. In addition to the ones we show, consider one in a bedroom, bath. pantry, garage, under a staircase! Use your imagination. The laundry is "where you find it." Just be sure you plan one.

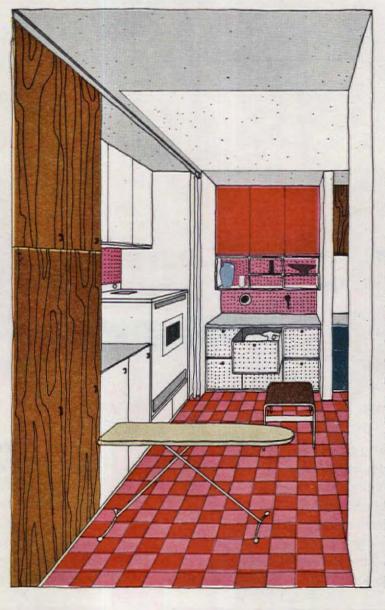


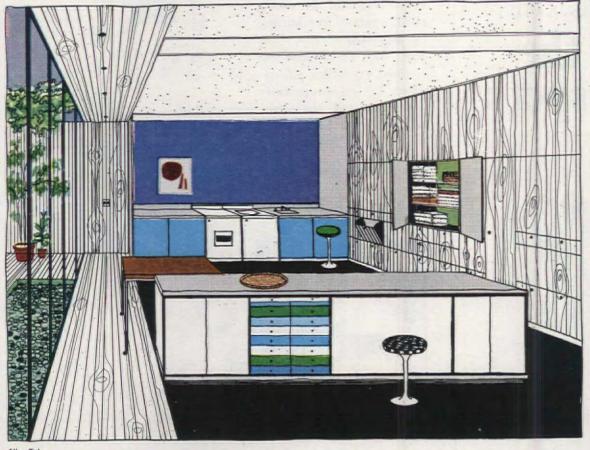


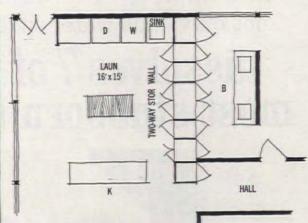
Architect Craig Ellwood, Los Angeles, California, suggests this laundry center in the kitchen. It is used for laundering linens and special jobs. It includes a combination washer-dryer with storage cabinets and counter space at either side. If more dollars are available, consider a more fully equipped "main" laundry in the bedroom and bath area.



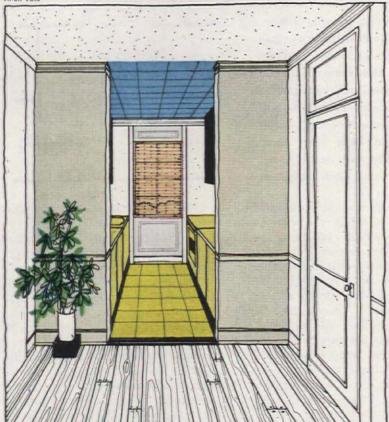
Theodore Andrew, an Orlando, Florida, architect, planned this laundry next to the kitchen: full-length closets for clothes and ironing supplies, counter space, base and wall cabinets, combination washerdryer raised for easier reach, corner water heater, opening to hall, perforated wallboard and two-way storage bins. Kitchen sink is handy to laundry.



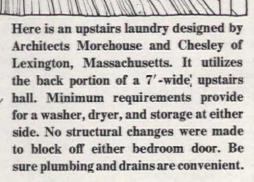


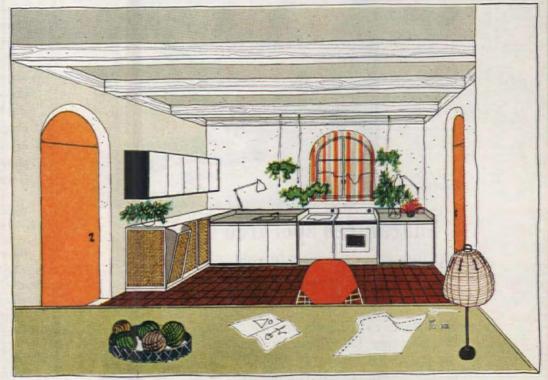


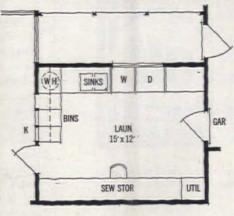
Architect Glenn Peterson, San Francisco, California, designed the two-way storage wall. This comprises 15 feet of drawers, cabinets, closets, and bins from floor to ceiling, all of which open to laundry and bath. Laundry is divided from kitchen by an island-counter that doubles as work space for both. Island boasts storage space for sewing equipment and ironing supplies. Portable island with maple top serves both laundry and kitchen or garden. The 16' wall has a door to the carport, base cabinet storage and countertop, washer, dryer and a sink with locked storage underneath.



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This 12x15' laundry room by architect Theodore Andrew of Orlando, Florida, was made possible by remodeling a closed breezeway between kitchen and garage. It doubles as a sewing area, with plenty of counter space for pattern cutting as well as for sorting and folding laundry. The wall next to the kitchen boasts two-way sorting bins, corner water heater and wall cabinets for supplies. Note how original design of windows and doors remains to add charm.

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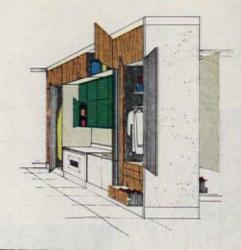
And Dishwasher all is recommended by every leading dishwasher manufacturer. Get new improved Dishwasher all —new color, new fragrance. Dishwasher all guarantees the most spot-free glassware, dishes, silver any dishwasher can wash—or your money back.

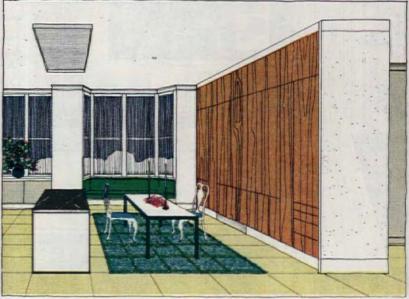


Dishwasher all is recommended completely safe for finest china by the American Fine China Guild.

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Architect Glenn Peterson again shows talent with this compact laundry "wall," part of a large old home remodeling. The size is 3x12', the entire length of the dining room, separated from kitchen by an island divider. (See plan.) Bay window idea was retained, yet styling was updated. A 2' sill-seat provides a pleasant touch, and is convenient for working.





Ideas include: floor-to-ceiling storage for hanging clothes opens to bed-bathroom hall with drawer below, cabinet above. Also ironing board and iron closet, sink, combination washer-dryer, soiled- and clean-laundry storage. Laundry and bath have same plumbing and drains. Area is concealed when not in use.

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We'd also like to include our own checklist of things you should consider in planning your laundry:

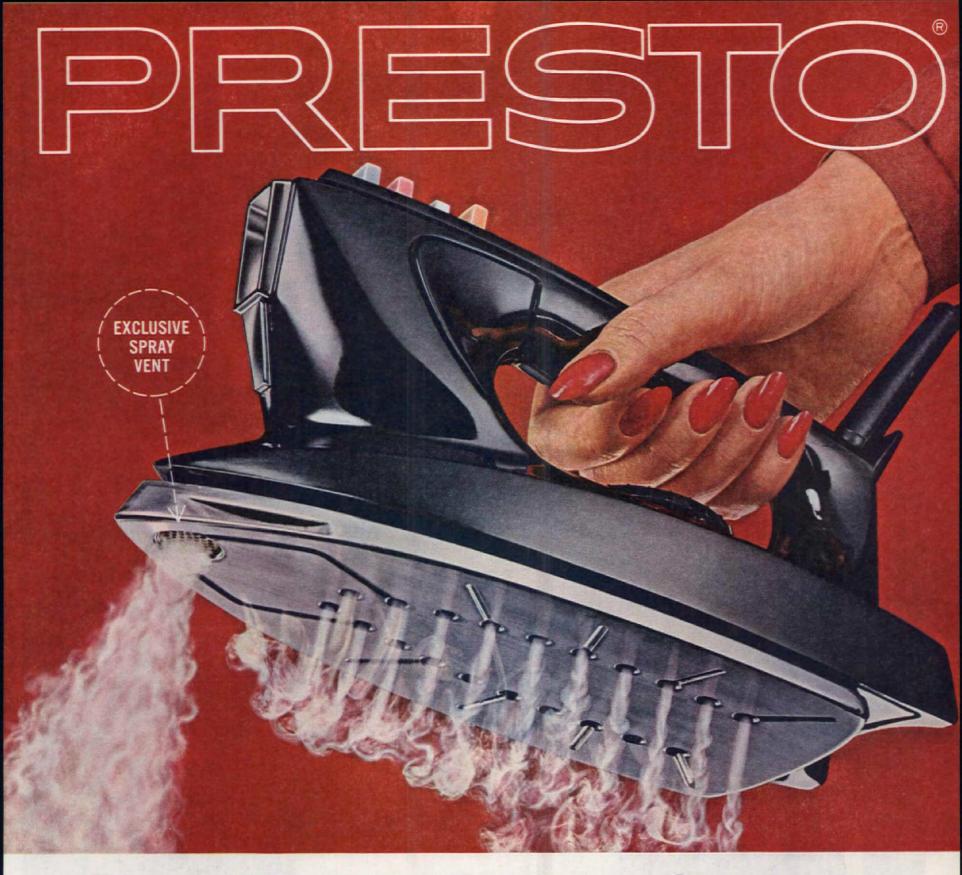
The washer. Be sure of its measurements. It needs hot and cold water, drain, its own 110/120-volt circuit with a grounding wire for safety.

The dryer. It needs 220/240-volt circuit (110/120 volts on some but drying time is about twice as long); gas dryer needs supply lines and 110/120-volt circuit for motor, lights; most need a vent to the outside. If the dryer or combination has a condensing system for the removal of heat, lint, and moisture, provide coldwater supply and drain.

The water heater. Locate it near place where most of hot water is to be used; be sure capacity is adequate; flue connection, supply lines are needed for gas-fired water heater; electric water heater needs own 220/240-volt circuit. If long-pipe runs and a low-capacity water heater limit a continuous supply of hot water, consider investing in a second one near the laundry area if possible.

Work centers in a laundry? Why not? You plan your kitchen that way! Four centers will do the trick: the preparation, the washing, the drying, and the ironing center. Arrange the equipment to save steps and assure a smooth flow of work. Give yourself as much elbow room in each area as you can. Store supplies needed in each area at point of use.

These are handy ideas. 1. A laundry cart. 2. Hampers or large bins (those big, plastic wastebaskets are good) for storing, sorting soiled clothes or unironed items. 3. A sewing basket. 4. A portable drip tray. 5. Open shelves, if you don't have cupboards, to hold measures, supplies, laundry aids. 6. Sprinklers for ironing; stretchits and blocking paper for sweaters, etc. 7. Flat baskets for ironed clothes. 8. Adequate ventilation. 9. Good lighting. It needn't be expensive-a pin-up lamp in the right spot will do. 10. Bright pretty walls that are washable or covered with specially treated paper. 11. Colorful, easy-to-care-for floors-with a drain, if possible.



Presto! Pushbutton Spray-Steam Iron

does more fabrics without pre-dampening than any other!

Good-bye sprinkling. Discover the joys of the steamingest iron yet! Let Presto's new Spray-Steam system put a fast and crisp finish on pieces you used to pre-dampen.

Here's the first iron to *spray* with *steam*. Right from the sole-plate Spray Vent comes a continuous spray of *steam*. No water to sputter, splash your hands or spot delicate fabrics. And all the moisture goes into the fabric. No water drops to stay on the surface and evaporate before your iron can get to them.

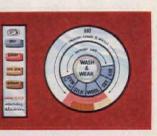
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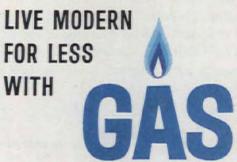
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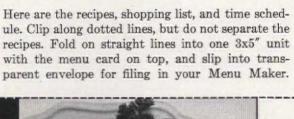
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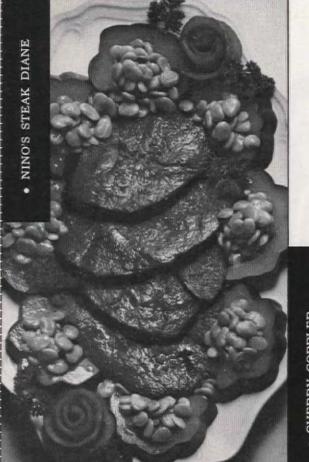


AMERICAN HOME RECIPES

60-Minute Meal With Nino's Juicy Steak Diane

(pictured in color on pages 48 and 49)





CHERRY COBBLER

Preparation time: 5 min Baking time: 15-20 min

can (1 lb.) cherry pie filling c. butter or margarine c. brown sugar, firmly packed

1 c. sifted all-purpose flour 1 tsp. cinnamon $\frac{1}{2}$ c. shelled, chopped wahnuts $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. vanilla ice cream

baking dish. Blend butter or margarine, sugar, flour, and cinnamon with fingers until mixture is crumbly; work in nuts; sprinkle over cherry filling. Bake 15 to 20 minutes, or until cobbler is bubbly and crumbs are golden. When ready to serve, spoon into dishes; hot (400° F.). Combine lemon juice and cherry pie filling; pour into a shallow Set oven at ho baking dish. F

top each with a scoop of ice cream.

612 cal. per serving

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1 pkg. frozen lima beans
1 pkg. krozen lima beans
1 pkg. shelled walnuts
1 bottle olive oil
1 pkg. brown sugar
1 jar stuffed olives
1 can cherry pie filling
1 bottle French dressing
1 jar onion salt milk, eggs, dry mustard, large acorn squash

salt, pepper, flour

See other side of card for work schedule. Check staple shelf for: butter or margarine, milk, eggs, dr baking powder, shortening, Worcestershire sauce, cinnamon.

FOLD-OVER BISCUITS

2 boneless sirloin steaks, 3-inch thick I head chicory

SHOPPING LIST

Cherry Cobbler With Ice Cream

Coffee

Fold-Over Biscuits

Green Salad

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60-MINUTE MEAL

Squash with Lima Beans

Acorn

Nino's Steak Diane



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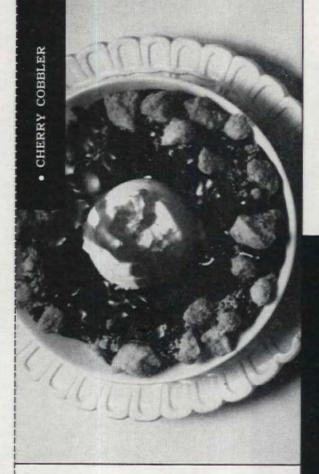
Creates an antiseptic protective blanket to lock out germs . . . and help nature heal injured skin faster.

AMERICAN HOME RECIPES

60-Minute Meal With Nino's Juicy Steak Diane

(pictured in color on pages 48 and 49)

Here are the recipes, shopping list, and time schedule. Clip along dotted lines, but do not separate the recipes. Fold on straight lines into one 3x5" unit with the menu card on top, and slip into transparent envelope for filing in your Menu Maker.



ender until mixture resembles cornmeal. Stir in ¾ cup milk until mixture clings to-ther; turn out on floured board; knead 8 to 10 times. Roll dough out to ½-inch thick-ss; cut into 3-inch rounds; brush with melted butter or margarine. Make a deep groove th knife handle across each round; fold over; press edges firmly. Beat egg yolk and ¼ p milk; brush tops. Press olive slice firmly into top. Place on greased baking sheet. Bake very hot oven (450° F.) 15 to 20 minutes, or until golden brown.

cup milk; brush tops.

with knife

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WORK SCHEDULE

your work schedule for the preparation nenu on the reverse side for Nino's Steak Acorn Squash With Lima Beans, Green

menu on the

Biscuits, Cherry

Diane, Acorn Squ Salad, Fold-Over With Ice Cream.

B,

of Vitamins A,

204 cal. each

Sift flour, onion salt, and baking powder into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening with pastry blender until mixture resembles cornmeal. Stir in ¾ cup milk until mixture clings to

Preparation time: 10 min. Baking time: 15-20 min.

BISCUITS

FOLD-OVER

tbs. melted butter

c. sifted all-purpose flour

tsp. onion salt tsp. baking powder

3 c. shortening

Sliced stuffed olives

c. milk

NINO'S STEAK DIANE

3-inch thick

tsp, freshly cracked pepper tbs, butter or margarine tsp. Worcestershire sauce

> 4 c. butter or margarine 2 tsp. dry mustard ½ tsp. onion salt 2 tbs. olive oil

over steaks. Sprinkle with half the pepper; rub pepper and oil into steaks with bowl of spoon. Cook steaks with oil-pepper side down for 2 minutes; spoon pan juices over steaks occasionally. Rub remaining oil and pepper on unseasoned side of steaks; turn over; cook 2 minutes longer. Steaks will be pink inside. Remove from pan; keep warm. Remove pan from heat; add 3 tablespoons butter or margarine and Worcestershire sauce. Cut lemon Cut each steak in half to make 4 pieces. Place steaks between 2 sheets of wax paper; pound with flat of knife or wooden mallet until ½-inch thick. Melt ¼ cup butter or margarine on large griddle (or use two skillets); stir in mustard and salt. Drizzle 1 tablespoon olive oil

as a stirrer to

into skillet; spear one quarter on fork and use

juice into skillet; spear one quarter on fi 619 cal. per serving

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on Cherry Cobbler. Serve Serve main Assemble meal. Spoon ice cream recipe.

other side of card for the menu and shopping list

WORK SCHEDULE

at 400°F.; prepare and bake Set oven at 400 r.; p. c. Cherry Cobbler according to recipe.

Slice squash; heat water; simmer squash. Cook Lima beans. Make coffee; set table.

Slice squash; heat water
 Cook Lima beans, Make
 Prepare Nino's Steak D

Diane according to

Raise oven temperature to 450°F. Prepare and bake Fold-Over Biscuits ac-

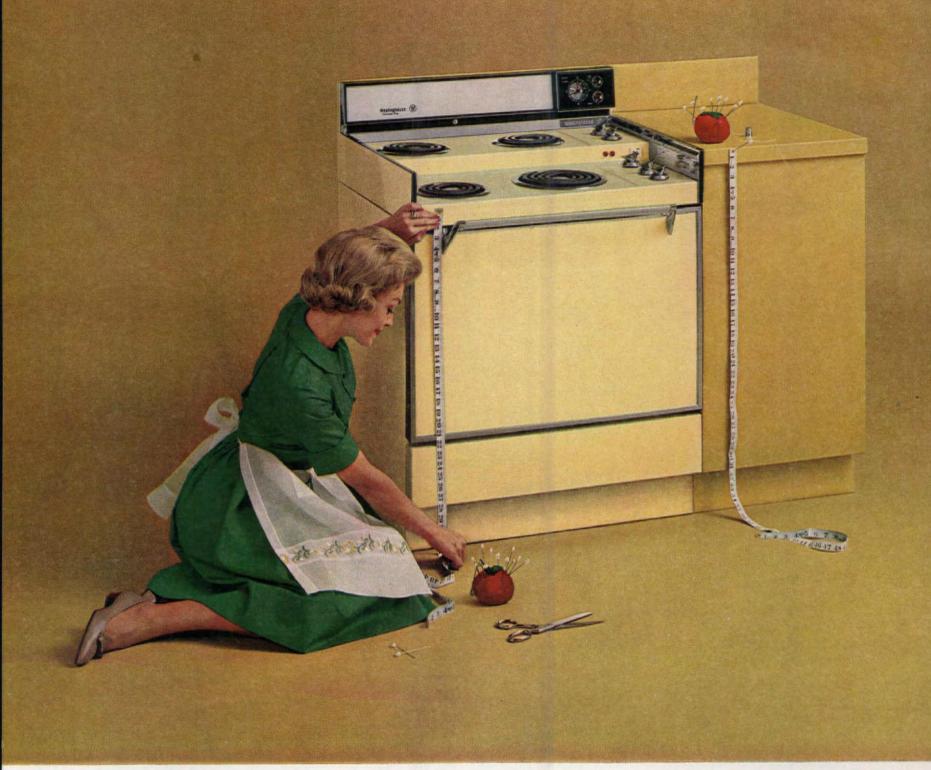
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ng to recipe. salad greens, assemble salad. Make

carrot curls; chill in

60





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A salad bowl that is washed after each use should have a periodic "beauty treatment." Coat the clean dry surface with olive or pure vegetable oil and let stand overnight. If it seems dry in the morning, apply another coat. When the wood has absorbed all the oil it will take, wipe it dry with paper towels.



AMERICAN HOME RECIPES

Light and Airy Ways With Citrus Fruits

(pictured in color on page 52)

• LIME ANGEL MERINGUE

ORANGE RICE IMPERIAL

CREPES MALTAISE FLAMBÉ

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1758 cal.

allow to ripen 2 hours.

Makes 1 quart

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until light and frothy; whip and fold in cream. Freeze 3 to 4 hours or until firm. For crank freezer: Pour chilled lemon mixture into freezer can; add heavy cream, unwhipped. Adjust dasher; set cover in place. Fill around sides with cracked ice and salt in an 8 to 1 ratio. Turn until resistance is felt; remove dasher. Repack freezer can in ice and salt;

yolks; stir into mixture in saucepan; cook 1 minute. Remove from heat; cool. Add lemon rind and juice; chill. Pour into loaf pan; freeze 1 hour. Turn mixture into bowl; beat

Turn freezer compartment control to coldest setting. Combine sugar, salt, and flour

in saucepan; add milk gradually. Cook over medium heat, stirring mixture thickens and comes to boiling. Stir half of mixture slowly

4 egg yolks, slightly beaten

Preparation time: 20 min.

LEMON ICE CREAM

OLD-FASHIONED

Freezing time: 3-4 hours

1 tsp. grated lemon rind ½ c. lemon juice

c. heavy cream

constantly, until

Stir half of mixture slowly into beaten egg

Preparation time: 25 min. Cooking time: 30-35 min.

I ths. grated orange rind tbs, unflavored gelatin e, orange juice c. cooked rice* 1/2 c. milk

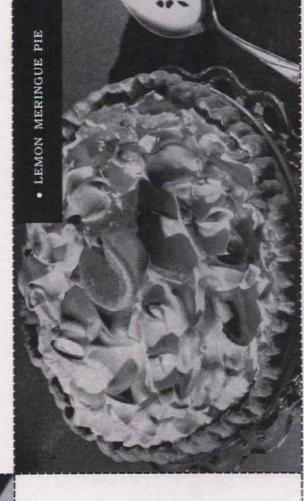
egg yolks, slightly beaten c. heavy cream, whipped

e, sugar ¿ c. milk Combine rice and 1½ cups milk in saucepan; cook over medium heat about 20 minutes, or until all milk is absorbed. Soften gelatin in orange juice; stir in orange rind. Combine sugar, 1/2 cup milk, and egg yolks in top of double boiler. Cook over hot, not boiling, water until sugar is dissolved and mixture coats a spoon. Add gelatin mixture and rice; cool; chill. Fold whipped cream into chilled mixture. Turn into 6-cup mold. Chill several hours, or until firm. Unmold on serving plate; garnish with orange slices and whipped cream, if desired.

*Use only regular or parboiled rice, not precooked rice. 338 cal. per serving Makes 8 servings

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HEAVENLY GRAPEFRUIT CAKE

rind 2 eggs 3 c. sifted flour 3 tsp. baking powder % c. soft shortening. 3 c. sugar 2 tsp. salt

1 tsp. grated grapefruit 1 c. grapefruit juice c. milk

I grapefruit, peeled, sectioned, and

Orange Cream

Preparation time: 20 min. Baking time: 55-60 min.

Frosting

small amount of frosting; arrange grapefruit sections on top; replace top of cake. Frost top and sides. (To decorate as pictured, double frosting recipe and put through pastry tube.) Garnish with orange sections and additional grapefruit sections, if desired. Orange Cream Frosting: Cream ½ c. butter or margarine and 1 pkg. (1 lb.) sifted confectioners sugar. Add 1 ksp. grated orange rind; blend in 3 to 4 tbs. orange juice until frosting is Grease 10-inch tube pan; line bottom with wax paper; grease paper. Set oven at moderate (350° F.). Sift dry ingredients into bowl; add shortening, milk, grapefruit rind and juice. Beat 2 minutes at medium speed on mixer or 300 strokes by hand. Add eggs; beat 2 minutes or 300 strokes. Bake 55 to 60 minutes, or until done. Cool 10 minutes in pan; remove from pan; cool completely. Split cake in half crosswise; spread bottom half with drained spreading consistency. Makes one 10-inch cake.

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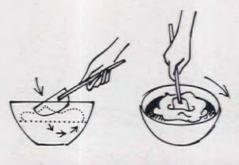
% c. sugar % tsp. salt I tbs. flour

c. milk

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Light and Airy Ways With Citrus Fruits

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How to fold in egg whites: Heap beaten whites on top of mixture. Cut down through center and across bottom of bowl with wire whip, rubber spatula, or spoon. Bring some mixture to top and place it on egg whites. Turn bowl one-quarter way round and repeat cutting motion. Repeat until all egg whites are evenly combined with mixture. Do it gently-do not stir or beat.

> Few drops green food color 1 c. heavy cream, whipped

tsp. grated lime rind

13 c. lime juice

Preparation time: 40 min. Baking time: 1 hr.

Baking time: 15-20 min

LEMON MERINGUE PIE

HEAVENLY GRAPEFRUIT CAKE:

tsp. grated lemon rind ¿ c. lemon juice

egg whites

9-in. baked pastry shell 4 tsp. cream of tartar g c. sugar

in saucepan; stir in hot water

4 egg yolks, slightly beaten 2 tbs, butter or margarine

13 c. hot water

e. cornstarch

c. sugar

4 tsp. salt

Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture comes to boiling. Stir half of ring constantly, 3 to 4 minutes; remove from heat. Add butter or margarine, lemon rind and juice; cool. Pour into baked pastry shell. Beat egg whites and cream of tartar until peaks. Spread meringue over cooled filling making sure it touches inner edge of crust all around to prevent shrinking. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 15 to 20 minutes, or until mixture slowly into egg yolks; stir into mixture in saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirfoamy; beat in ½ cup sugar gradually; continue beating until meringue stands in stiff golden brown. Cool to room temperature before serving. · Blend cornstarch, 11/2 cups sugar, and salt

Makes 8 servings

322 cal. per serving

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ORANGE RICE IMPERIAL

• LIME ANGEL MERINGUE

4 tsp. cream of tartar egg whites egg yolks c. sugar

Shape meringue with spoon or pastry bag onto circle, building up sides to a depth of two inches. Shape remaining meringue into rosettes. Bake in slow oven (275° F.) I hour, or until pale beige in color and quite dry. Cool meringue completely. (You may turn oven off and leave meringue in oven until cool.) Beat egg yolks in top of double boiler until thick and light colored; blend in ½ cup sugar and lime juice. Cook over hot, not boiling, water until thick and smooth. Stir in lime rind and food color; cool; chill 1 hour. Fold in whipped cream; spoon into cooled meringue shell. Garnish with meringue rosettes and lime wedges and additional whipped cream, if desired.

Source of Vitamins A,C. . c. sugar Beat egg whites and cream of tartar until soft and foamy. Add 1 cup sugar gradually, on electric mixer.) Cover cooky sheet with unglazed paper; draw 7-inch circle on paper. beating until meringue is glossy and stands in firm peaks. (This will take 10 to 20 minutes

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LEMON ICE CREAM OLD-FASHIONED

Preparation time: 40 min CRÊPES MALTAISE FLAMBÉ I ths. slivered orange rind

c. butter or margarine

2 tsp. lemon juice ¿ c. orange juice

c. sugar

2 tbs. melted butter or margarine CREPES

c. sifted all-purpose flour tsp. baking powder c. milk

large oranges, peeled and sectioned

3 c. Grand Marnier or Cointreau

Heat 6. or 7-inch skillet; melt ½ teaspoon butter or margarine. Pour in just enough batter to cover pan thinly; brown on bottom; turn and brown second side. Repeat until all batter is used. Fold each crèpe in half, then in half again, forming a triangle. • CREPES: Beat eggs lightly; blend in butter or margarine and milk. Sift flour, baking powder, and salt into bowl; blend in egg mixture slowly. Cover; refrigerate several hours 4 e. Maraschino Liqueur tsp. salt

SAUCE: Reserve orange rind. Combine orange juice, butter or margarine, lemon juice, Arrange orange sections and crêpes in chafing dish; pour hot sauce over; add orange rind. Place over chafing-dish burner. Combine Grand Marnier or Cointreau and Maraschino; and sugar in small saucepan; simmer 2 to 3 minutes; add orange sections; heat 1 minute. stir half into bubbling sauce; float half on top. When hot, ignite, and serve flaming.

563 cal. per serving
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OPEN A CAN OR SHARPEN A KNIFE THE EASY

mental can opener that sometimes does and sometimes doesn't? Does it spill the juices, drop metal shavings in the food, or get stuck halfway around? Do you hack away at the tender roast because the carving knife is dull and listless? Is your drawer full of paring knives that couldn't even slice a banana?

Then it's time you invested in an electric can opener and an electric knife sharpener! The marvelous can openers open any size can quickly, efficiently, and effortlessly—from the tiniest tin of deviled ham to the largest economy-size can of baked beans. The sharpeners keep every knife in the house at its razor-sharp best (except those with scalloped or serrated edges which must be sent back to the manufacturer).

Herewith, then, a practical guide for you who want to buy one of these howdid-I-ever-do-without-them appliances:

ELECTRIC CAN OPENERS

There are four basic models of electric can openers to choose from. A counter top model is desirable when you have an abundance of counter space. This is one electric appliance you do not "put away"it always stands ready for use. If you prefer the counter-top model be sure to allow adequate space for it near an electric outlet. If counter space is at a premium, select a wall-mounted can opener. It can be easily installed with a back plate supplied by the manufacturer. When you install it, be sure that the bottom of the unit is at least ten inches above vour counter surface and allow two inches on either side for clearance of large cans. A relative newcomer to the electric can opener market is a portable model which can

be stored in a cabinet drawer. How-

ever, a wall rack is included in the purchase price which will also accommodate other attachments.

You may want to consider a built-in can opener if you are planning to remodel your kitchen, or build a new home. This can be either a cabinet-door installation or a wall installation. Electric can openers have two types of activating switches: the automatic action switch and the controlled action switch. The automatic action switch punctures the can and continues cutting. It will stop automatically when the can has been opened and the lid has been removed. The controlled action punctures the can; however, the cutting action continues only as long as the lever is depressed. You may stop the cutting action instantly and at any time you choose by releasing the lever. Either action opens the can easily; select method easiest for you.

reatures to look for: Removable magnets and cutting blades for easy cleaning. Extension legs on counter-top openers for opening extra-tall cans. Cord storage or retractable cords eliminate clutter on work counter. Combination electric can openers and knife sharpeners. De luxe accessories such as a bottle opener, a kitchen clock and timer and, believe it or not, even a night light to make life easy for midnight snack addicts. One portable can opener has attachments for mixing and whipping, as



Care and maintenance. Removable magnets and cutting blades should be washed in sudsy water occasionally, thoroughly dried and replaced. Do not immerse can openers in water. Be sure to clean cutting blades often! Prices vary throughout the country. However, we have found a representative group of electric can openers priced from under \$10 to \$35. If counter stands are not included in the selling price, you may purchase them separately for \$1.95-\$3.98.

ELECTRIC KNIFE SHARPENERS

Counter top or wall mounted models are available. One manufacturer makes a portable electric food mixer that has a knife sharpener attachment. Many electric knife sharpeners can effectively sharpen scissors in addition to knives. When you are choosing an electric knife sharpener, draw a knife blade through the slot, and select the sharpener that permits the greatest portion of the knife blade to come in contact with the grinding wheel. The grinding wheel should not spin at an excessively high rate. This can result in overheating the knife blade and cause rough edges. Knife sharpeners are available with a single grinding wheel and with double grinding wheels. The double wheel grinds both sides of the blade at the same time.

SHOPPING INFORMATION

Cover: Queen Anne wing chair—Heritage, from B. Altman & Co. "Faviril" Fabric on wing chair—Everfast. Table—Laverne, Inc. Walls—Continental Felt Co. Tile floor—Vander Laan Tile Co. Picture, "Between April and May" by Bing S. Gee, courtesy of Mi Chou Gallery.

FALL FESTIVAL ROUNDUP

e 9: Pajama bag—Party Bazaar—Den-n. Place mats—Happy Things Inc.

HOOKED RUGS TO MAKE

Page 22: Modern chair—Knoll Assoc. Writing Windsor—Lopipero, Inc.

Page 22: Modern Chair—Kholi Assoc. Whiling Windsor—Lopipero, Inc.

LADY BE BRAVE

Page 29: "Woolsuede" wallcovering. The Felters Co. "Crystal Palace" cabinet—Hickory Mfg. Co. "Pavane" cocktail table—Tomlinson. Campaign chair—Yale Burge. Daybed—Head-Bed Co. Page 30: Setting courtesy of the Venetian Blind Institute. Sofa, wing chair—Century Furniture Co. Club chair—Macy's, Corner cabinet—Julia Kuttner. Mantel—Edwin Jackson. Floor—Amtico. Area rug—Stark Carpet. Page 31: Portable television—General Electric. Firehood—Condon King Co. Drapery fabric—Woodson. Blue wallpaper—Greeff Fabrics. Woven shades—Webb Textiles. "Montina" vinyl corlon floor—Armstrong. Page 32: (upper) "Orangerie" wallpaper, red grasscloth—Louis W. Bowen. Vinyl flooring—Robbins Floor Products. (Left) Furniture—Peabody Collection by Richardson Nemschoff. (Lower) "Crewelwork" fabric, "Danbury Check"—Bloomcraft. Portrait—Lange & Williams. Page 33 (upper) "Ethan Allen" furniture—Baumritter. "Heirloom" bedspread—Bates Fabrics. Lamp—Georgian Lighting Studios. Toys—Saks Fifth Avenue. Curtains—Octavia by Craig Creations. (Lower) Flooring—Armstrong. Wall lamps—Habitat. Mattresses—Beautyrest by Simmons. Page 34: Indian print fabric walls—Oken Fabrics. Desk, closet accessories, luggage—Lord & Taylor. Page 35: (top left) "Floor-Mate Original" vinyl—Amtico. Walls, counter—Formica. Plumbing fixtures—American Standard. Towels—Cannon. (Bottom right) Cabinets—St. Charles Refrigerator—Revo. Dishwasher—Kitchen—Aid. Flooring—Amtico. Page 37: "Kiosk" rug—James Lees. Painting by Philip Cascioli.

PILLOWS TO MAKE

Pages 38, 39: Trimmings—Consolidated LADY BE BRAVE

PILLOWS TO MAKE

Pages 38, 39: Trimmings—Consolidated Trimmings. Ribbons—Hendler Hyman & Sons. Felt—Continental Felt. Silks—Far Eastern Fabrics. Striped Fabric—Herman Miller. Taffeta—F. Schumacher.

EASILY EXPENDABLE

Page 45: Patio furniture—Manning Wayside

The single wheel requires grinding the blade on each side separately.

Features to look for: A pencil sharpening receptacle with a removable container for pencil shavings is a feature of one knife sharpener. Built-in magnets in one sharpener hold the knife blade at the correct sharpening angle. Other models have angled guide channels to hold the knife blade in the correct sharpening position. Safety shields for grinding wheels, plastic or metal, are considered standard equipment for reputable brands of sharpeners.

Care and maintenance. Cutlery should be washed and thoroughly dried before grinding. Wet or greasy knives may coat the grinding wheel, preventing

proper sharpening. Case may be cleaned with a damp cloth after sharpener has been disconnected. Do not immerse electric knife sharpener in water. Again, be sure to read the instruction booklet. Prices for electric knife sharpeners range from \$14.95 to \$21.50-a nominal amount to pay for sharp knives every day of the year.

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Braising (pictured in color on page 50)

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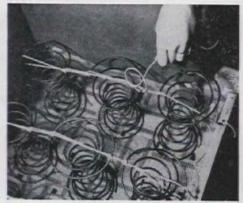
"Try braising leeks. Take 5 or 6 leeks and cut off most of the green. The white is the best part. Leave about 5 or 6" of leek, altogether. Cut off the little frizzle-frazzle on the other end, too. Split the upper half, so the leaves spread out, and then wash in lots of cold water to get the sand out. Leeks are always kind of dirty inside. Put the leeks into a buttered casserole-one of those little oval ones would be perfect. Add half a cup of white wine, half a cup of water, a little bit of salt, and a bit of lemon juice. Cover tightly and braise until tender, in a 300° or 325° oven. They'll be tender in roughly half an hour. Braising should be done at very low temperatures, because with a high temperature the liquid might evaporate and then it would start to burn. And I've burned leeks and they just don't taste the same! Then you take out the leeks, pour off the juice, thicken it with beurre manie (half flour, half butter, kneaded into a little ball), and add a little heavy cream to whiten the sauce. Ideally, you'll come out with about ½ cup of sauce. This is wonderful served with a roast.

"Or, you could also do the same braising of the leeks and just serve them as they come out of the oven, for a first course, on a piece of buttered toast. The toast gets terribly soggy, but it's just delicious. This is my grandmother's specialty.

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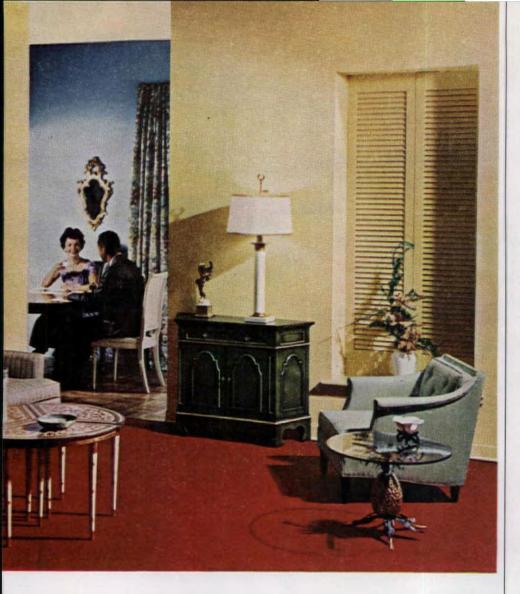




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If Fire Strikes

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factor is that every fire generates carbon dioxide which stimulates breathing, causing you to inhale large quantities of smoke. The thickness and smell of smoke are not necessarily guides to how deadly it is. The thinnest smoke may be the most toxic.

Now that you know the nature of smoke and how it can affect you, you can see how easily you could be overcome while you sleep. So no matter how well you and your family have rehearsed an escape plan it will do you no good unless you are awake and alert before intense heat, smoke, and gases have made too much headway. The fate of the Arthur family emphasizes the need for an automatic fire-detection and alarm system.

At the present time there is no smoke-detection system inexpensive enough for general home use. Detection systems that are available operate on a temperature factor. When the heat at the point where the detector is located reaches a certain temperature—usually 160°, it activates the alarm.

For full protection an alarm system should have detection coverage throughout the house so that a fire starting in any spot would set off the alarm immediately, giving you sufficient time to escape. You could have a partial installation which would mean locating detectors in

only a few danger areas, but you must realize that this also means only partial protection.

Whatever system you decide to buy be sure it is marked with a UL (Underwriters' Laboratories) or an FM (Factory Mutual) seal. It is equally important that the equipment be installed by a qualified person according to UL or FM specifications.

Once you are awake you should put into effect a prerehearsed escape plan or course of action should your normal escape routes be cut off. If you don't already have a plan the following advice from the NFPA will help you formulate one.

WHAT COURSE OF ACTION?

It is important to get into the habit of sleeping with the door closed . . . it can save your life! If you should have a fire, the closed door will hold back poisonous smoke and heat, giving you extra time to escape; and whether the door feels hot or cold will determine your course of action.

1. Place the palm of your hand against the door. If it is cool, open it slightly. Hold your head away, brace the door with your foot (in case pressure has built up outside), and put your hand across the opening to determine how hot and smoky the air is. If the hall appears to be cool and there are no flames or smoke pouring up the stairway, gather the rest of the family from their rooms and use this regular route of escape. Should there

be any doubt about safe passage down the stairs, keep the family together, return to one room, and close the door.

2. If the door feels hot, the hall is probably already filled with smoke and perhaps flames. Don't open the door. Pound on the walls and call out to awaken people in adjoining rooms. If there's a phone in the room, call the fire department. If the fire is severe follow a prerehearsed plan for escape through a window.

If you decide to stay in your room, shout "Fire" from the window in the hope of waking a neighbor. (You might also install an alarm on the outside of your house which will wake up the neighbors. This is operated by pushing a button in your bedroom.)

Stuff bedding around the door. Wet it if water is handy. Stand by the window. If the room is getting smoky, stick your head out the window, inhale twice as deeply and twice as fast as normally for one or two minutes. This will take away your desire to breathe for the same amount of time and enable you to hold your breath an additional minute. (A helpful technique when rescuing someone from a smoky room.)

WHICH WAY OUT?

1. Plan two possible routes to the ground from every room in the house, especially the bedrooms. For a one-story house this is simple, since most everyone can get out a window if he is cut off from the main hallway and

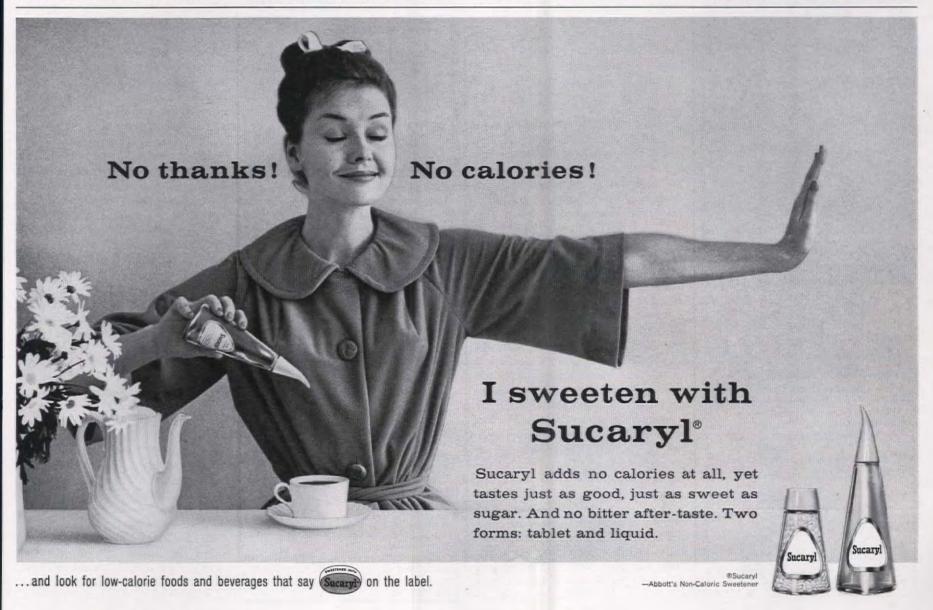
outside doors. In most two-story houses there is only one stairway and this usually provides the perfect flue for smoke and gases. When the stairway is not usable, escape through a window is the only answer.

2. Chain and rope ladders have been designed which are attached by brackets under the window. When not in use they fold up neatly in a box on the floor. To use them, just throw them over the window sill and climb down. Such ladders would be particularly useful if you live in an isolated area where help may be slow in arriving. In a more thickly settled neighborhood you could possibly wait in your room for rescue.

3. Make use of all porches, ells, and garage roofs that are near windows. Such roofs serve two purposes. You can sit on them till help arrives, or you can use them to make your descent to the ground easier.

4. A lightweight ladder, tall enough to reach second-story windows, should be kept in a convenient spot outside. One member of the family, even an older child, could put the ladder up to each window.

5. In getting out of an upstairs window without a ladder and where there are no lower roofs, it would be advisable to throw bedding on the ground below the window and then lower yourself over the sill and drop from your hands onto the bedding.
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(continued) meet and be sure no one returns to the burning house.

BEWARE OF YOUR EMOTIONS

An NFPA spokesman offers the following suggestions for teaching children and for keeping a cool head in an emergency.

It is important to rehearse your escape plan regularly. Depending on the age of your children you will have to decide which of all the previously mentioned things should be practiced by each one. Children under four should be taught never to open their doors except on command by their parents, but to stand by an open window. They should also be taught not to hide anywhere in their rooms, such as in closets or under the bed. When you go in to rescue them you will have very little time, and smoke may make it impossible to find them. If they are by the window all you need do is lift them over the sill. If a fireman is making the rescue, he will see them quickly.

Since small children are often frightened and confused when they wake at night and their first impulse is to run to their mother, it is important to practice some night drills. Tell the children that you are going to have some drills at night but that you aren't going to let them know when. After doing this several times, should you have a real fire they will probably go through the routine without even realizing there's a fire, unless of course it has a good start.

Unless the passage between you and your children's rooms is clear of smoke and fire, don't make the mistake of rushing to get your children. If the fire is too advanced for you to reach them safely, the wisest action is for you and the older members of the family to make your own escapes and then rescue babies, young children, and the elderly through windows from the outside. Such action again underscores the importance of closed bedroom doors to give the extra time needed for escape and rescue.

HOW TO TURN IN AN ALARM

How you report a fire depends on the type of fire-alarm system in your community. Some cities have fire-alarm boxes located at intervals along the streets. Your family should know the location of the nearest alarm box and familiarize themselves with its use. After turning in an alarm, stand by the box to direct the firemen to the exact location. If you live in such an area, reporting the fire through an alarm box is preferred to telephoning, since many people get confused over the phone and give inadequate or wrong information.

In communities where there are volunteer fire departments the alarm is usually given over the phone. Find out the number you should call and paste it on each phone in your house. Be calm when you report a fire. Say that you wish to report a fire and give your name and address. If you don't have the fire emergency num-

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PRECAUTIONS

Never leave children alone in a house at any time. A third of all children killed in fires are left unattended or in the care of an incompetent person. During the day it is not unusual for a mother to go next door to visit a neighbor or even to make a quick trip to the store without taking her children. Unsupervised children may play with matches if they can find them; or they might turn on the gas jets on a range. Sometimes something will be left cooking and it may boil over, extinguishing the flame; or a gust of wind may blow out a flame. In any of these cases, a fire might start, an explosion could occur, or the children could be asphyxiated.

Another precaution concerning children is to be sure that whomever you have sitting with them is familiar with your escape plan in the event of fire. You must also choose a person who is not apt to panic. Only recently two young children were killed in a fire when the maid ran from the house without getting the children out or calling the fire department. Instead she drove to the home of neighbors where her employers were visiting. By the time they reached the burning house it was too late.

Good housekeeping is essential. Clean out the clutter—stacks of magazines and papers, old furniture. Don't leave rubbish, kindling, paints, or other materials near the furnace. Curtains and towels should not be hung near range burners and heaters.

Don't use any highly flammable liquid for any household purpose. Keep gasoline for mowers or motors in an approved safety can. Store paints tightly covered in a cool place. Throw out rags which have been saturated with furniture polish, wax, and paint.

If you smoke keep plenty of large ash trays handy. Put burned-out matches in an ash tray—not a waste-basket. Never empty ash trays at night—set them in the center of a table or countertop where they are not near anything. Sit up if you're going to smoke while watching television and you won't be so apt to fall asleep. And finally, don't smoke in bed.

Nightly inspections. Before going to bed inspect the rooms for smoldering cigarette butts and to see that none has dropped down between the cushions or on the carpet. Make sure the oven and burners of your kitchen range are turned off. See if the heater is operating correctly. Be sure all bedroom doors are closed.

Be safe at all times. Although fire safety is emphasized during the month of October, it is a subject that should be thought about and practiced every day of the year. THE END

Autumn Decorations To Make (continued from page 9)



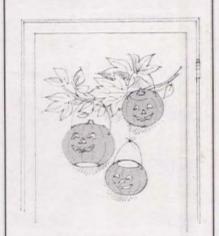
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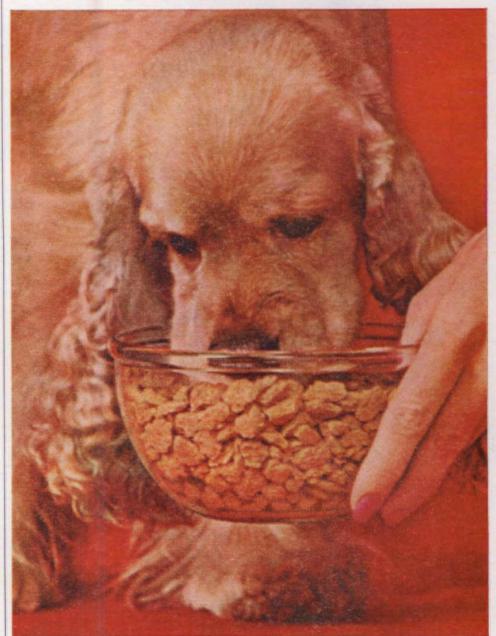


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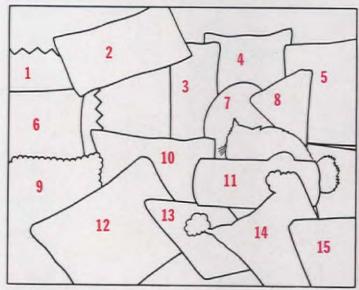
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Pillows to Purr About (pictured in color on pages 38, 39)



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Check on mum varieties and order daffodil and lycoris bulk

Plan this month to visit a display garden featuring outdoor chrysanthemums. It's the logical way to select varieties that you would like to add to your garden next year.

Notice that the most desirable mum plants are those that were planted outdoors early in the summer, rather than in the early spring. Rooted cuttings planted from late June to early July can be pinched once or twice and will develop into sturdy plants 12–18" high. Those set out in the early spring, however, will require more pinching and even so will probably grow too tall and need support.

Potted flowering mums are available now and can be planted immediately in your garden. Often mums can be set in beds that will be used later in the season for pansies or other early spring plants. You can plunge the pots or containers into the ground and remove them later. Keep in mind, however, that such plants may require more water than is normally necessary. If you prefer not to plunge the containers, set the plants directly into the soil. They can be dug again in late fall, heeled in somewhere in well-drained soil, and used as stock plants for cuttings next spring.

Spring bulbs should be ordered now for planting late in October or November. Narcissus, or daffodils, are by far the most suitable bulbs for Southern gardens. While most gardeners are familiar with the large trumpet varieties, many are not too well acquainted with the numerous other types. Here is a selection you might do well to try:

Among the large-cup type: 'Carlton,' a soft yellow; 'Dick Wellband,' with white perianth and soft yellow cup; 'Duke of Windsor,' with a large ruffled cup of orange-red and a white perianth. All three are outstanding.

If you like the double varieties, try 'Mary Copeland,' creamy white with center flecked orange-red, and 'Golden Ducat,' pure yellow.

Two excellent cyclamineus varieties are 'February Gold,' a very early yellow, and 'Peeping Tom,' with a yellow trumpet and reflexed petals.

'Shot Silk,' a creamy white, and 'Tresamble,' pure white except for a

creamy base, are two good varieti

The jonquilla hybrids are well re resented by 'Golden Sceptre,' a goo golden yellow variety.

For a distinctive touch, try son of the miniature species for natural izing and rock garden planting. To very good ones are N. bulbocodium the petticoat daffodil, and angetears daffodil, N. triandrus albus. The petticoat daffodil attains a maximul height of 6", and is a pale yellow are contrasts attractively with the white drooping, slightly taller flowers of I triandrus albus.

October is often the driest mon of the season, and many plant especially azaleas, will need supplementary watering. Unless you githem additional moisture, they'll into the winter months in a desicated condition. Should the fall be dry one, water heavily once a week.

Would you be interested in an a tractive late summer or early fabulb? Then try lycoris, the spid lily. Many species of lycoris can l grown in the South, and bulbs shou be ordered now or in early winter.

The magic lily, Lycoris squamiger does very well in the cooler areas the South. It has large lavender-pir flowers that start to appear in la July. Another early bloomer is Lycoris sanguinea, the orange-red spid lily. Lycoris radiata, the red spid lily, is the showiest and flowers in la August or September.

All lycoris do best in partial to fu shade. Water in late summer and fa as the flowering stalks appear fo optimum results.

Keep an eye open for Lycoris chii ensis and the Sperry lycoris. The hardy yellow lycoris are new at the present time, but they'll make fir additions to your garden in the no too-distant future.

Tender yellow lycoris, suitable for the Lower South, are Lycoris aure and L. traubi.

Don't be too disappointed if you lycoris are slow to flower. Often it several years after planting before they begin to bear blooms. One started, however, most species with flower for many years with little car on your part.

"Different" Spring Bulbs

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flowers. The shaggy-flowered parrot tulips, in many colors, have a bold, offbeat appearance and are first-line comment provokers as cut flowers.

Other unusual tulips of hybrid origin include lily-flowered, with curved, pointed petals; cluster-flowered, with three or more flowers to a stem; and fringed, with serrated petals but not irregularly shaped as the parrots. And besides the hybrids there are tulip species of many colors, sizes, and shapes that would add distinctiveness to any garden. You'll find them in the catalogues of bulb specialists and other firms that specialize in the unusual.

"Different" daffodils or narcissus vary in size and form almost as widely as tulips, though somewhat less in color. Besides the familiar yellows, whites, and bicolors, the large trumpet varieties include numerous new or recently introduced pink varieties, and the large-cup or incomparabilis group includes many brilliant and soft-colored combinations of white, yellow, orange, red, and various intermediate tones.

Double daffodils are as nonconformist as double tulips and include yellows, whites, and two-color combinations. The white-and-orange bicolors are particularly distinctive. The cluster-flowered kinds are more intensely fragrant than other daffodils and are delightful flowers both in the garden and when cut. They include pure whites and yellows and several bicolors with yellow or orange-red cups. All these larger-growing daffodils range from 12 to 18" tall.

Miniature daffodils are less showy than the large kinds but always arouse great interest among people unfamiliar with them. Narcissus minimus is a tiny yellow trumpet daffodil only 3 to 4" high. N. cyclamineus is almost as small and has oddly reflexed petals. N. triandrus albus is slightly larger, pure white, also with reflexed petals. N. bulbocodium, the hoop-petticoat daffodil, is the most unusual of all—a diminutive yellow, upward-facing, cone-shaped cup that resembles a hoop-petticoat and with narrow, inconspicuous petals.

The spring-flowering small bulbs include many kinds that are unfamiliar to most people. Everyone knows the Dutch hybrid crocus in yellow, lavender, and white, but not many know the numerous species, in many distinctive colors, which flower several weeks earlier. To obtain them, though, you'll probably need the catalogue of a bulb specialist.

Quite likely your friends have heard of snowdrops, but probably have never seen them. They're not particularly showy, but their ultra-earliness always amazes the uninitiated. The extreme earliness of the little yellowflowered, buttercup-like winter aconite (Eranthis hyemalis) also is sure

to astonish your friends and neighbors.

The bright pale blue of the miniature hyacinth (Hyacinthus azureus, also catalogued as Muscari azureum) and the rich deep blue of Siberian squill (Scilla sibirica) will catch the admiration of anyone partial to blue long before most gardens have any color at all! And you can follow these with the blues of glory-of-the-snow (chionodoxa), grape hyacinths (Muscari), and wood hyacinths (Scilla hispanica or S. campanulata).

Iris reticulata is one of the few winter-hardy bulbous iris and is remarkable both for its earliness and for its beautiful little orchid-like flowers. It comes in several shades of blue and purple.

Spring snowflake (Leucojum vernum) has dainty little white, greentipped bells on 8" stems in early spring. Summer snowflake (L. aestivum) blooms several weeks later and has slightly smaller bells on 12 to 15" stems. Puschkinia has conical clusters of little pale blue, scilla-like blooms in early spring.

Among the larger growing unfamiliar spring bulbs, the most strikingly attractive is crown imperial (Fritillaria imperialis). Its cluster of orange-red, bell-like flowers at the top of a 24 to 30" stem never fails to provoke a long string of inquiries.

Another sure-fire traffic-stopper is the giant onion, Allium giganteum. It produces a 5–8" ball of tiny violet flowers on a heavy, bare stem 4–6' tall! It literally flabbergasts anyone who has never seen it before.

Camass lily or cammasia grows 2 to 3' tall and has beautiful long spikes of blue, star-shaped flowers about 1½" across. There is also a pure white form.

To be effective, all the small bulbs need to be planted in clumps of at least a dozen bulbs, set about 2" apart, and are even better in irregular drifts of 25 to 100 bulbs. A hundred will be exciting even at a distance, but a dozen will need to be seen at close range to be appreciated. Most of them should be planted 3 to 4" deep in reasonably good soil.

Tulips and daffodils also show off to best advantage in clumps of a dozen or more bulbs or in larger mass plantings, regularly or irregularly shaped. If you use the shorter kinds for edging a border, foundation planting, or the like, plant them close enough, or in a double or triple row, to produce a worthwhile effect. Don't string them out in a feeble, widely spaced, single row! Most of the larger flowered tulips and daffodils should be planted 6 to 8" deep, the miniatures 4 to 5" deep.

As a focal point, the large-growing bulbous subjects, like crown imperial, giant onion, and camassia, are effective even when planted singly. For maximum impact, however, plant them in clumps of three or more. Set the bulbs so that their tops are covered with about 4" of soil, and space them a foot or so apart. The END



He Hoarded Hyacinths in a Bird Cage

Possibly few men in history have loved hyacinths more than the Reverend Mr. Boekenhoven. This good Dutchman, who lived centuries ago, worried constantly about his hyacinth plants. So to protect them from injury, he placed his hyacinths into a bird cage suspended from the ceiling. There he could gaze upon them enraptured, knowing they were safe from all danger.

You don't have to go to such lengths to care for your hyacinths, but they are a rather special blossom. Each year hyacinths transform the face of spring with the glow of their clear, rainbow colors and haunting heady fragrance.

We owe today's rich petalled varieties with their deep, unmistakable fragrance, to centuries of loving care and devotion by Dutch horticulturists. As a result of their work, hyacinths now can be grown in many colors, including the truest and largest number of blues of any spring flower. Hyacinths are versatile: they'll grow indoors or out; in gardens or windowboxes; on rooftops or terraces—wherever the hyacinth fancy strikes you

One note of caution: be certain your flower bulbs—hyacinths, tulips, daffodils, crocuses—come from Holland, the flower bulb basket of the world. The cost is pleasantly modest. When flower bulbs are marked "Imported from Holland" you know you're buying the best. Associated Bulb Growers

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Insulation

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only about 10 per cent more than the combined cost of a regular window plus its storm-window unit.

Weather stripping is the seal applied around windows and doors to stop excessive air leakage through the inevitable cracks at these openings. Good-quality doors and windows are made with integral weather stripping.

It is essential in a cold climate. You can generally tell if the windows and doors of a house are properly weatherstripped by moving a hand around the inside of the frame during cold weather. If you feel jets of cold air leaking in, weather stripping is required. No house can be called well insulated in the North without both weather stripping and double-glass windows installed.

Which is the best insulation material?

Insulation performance in a house varies according to the basic material from which the insulation is made. These materials include mineral wool, wood fiber, cellulose fill (macerated paper), cotton, foamed plastic (urethane and polystyrene), perlite, vermiculite, and aluminum foil. Some are intrinsically better than others at stopping heat. Best guide for choosing the most efficient kind is the R-value standard. Then compare the

price of each required to meet the same uncompromising R value. If the R value is not noted with a particular brand, the supplier should be prepared to tell you what it is.

The material should be clean, permanent, and resistant to fire, bugs, and rot. Inorganic materials like mineral wool, perlite, and vermiculite are inherently permanent The organic kinds like wood and cellulose fiber and cotton are chemically treated to make them fire-, rot-, and bug-resistant. Stick with a top national brand, your best assurance for a good chemical treatment. The foamed plastics are bug- and rot-proof, but ask for the kind that is also fire-resistant.

How to add insulation to an existing house. It's usually a simple job. Existing walls can be insulated simply by blowing insulation into them, even if they have a little insulation but need more. New techniques make it possible to blow insulation into a brick, stone, or other masonry wall (as well as wood walls), provided it is a "hollow cavity" wall (air space between its inside and outside surfaces). A solid masonry wall is insulated by lining its interior surface with insulation and furring in the insulation with a new interior wall surface, such as gypsum board.

Insulation also can be blown into other hard-to-reach spaces, such as over the ceiling of a flat-roof house, and also between the floor joists of an attic. If you have some insulation but not enough in the attic, more can be blown or laid in to beef up your coverage simply by adding it over the existing insulation.

Blown-in insulation generally will cost from 15 to 25 cents per square foot of framed-wall construction, and sometimes as high as 40 cents per square foot for masonry construction. It should be less for ceilings in both cases. Attics can be insulated with thick insulation batts or blankets at 8 to 12 cents a square foot. You can save the labor cost by doing it yourself, a fairly simple job.



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A concrete slab floor is insulated with boards or sheets of rigid perimeter or edge insulation. It is applied to the outside of the foundation wall all around the house. It should start at the bottom of the siding and go down 18 to 24 inches below grade. Follow the application instructions that come with the material.

Rigid mineral-wool edge insulation should be one to two inches thick in a bone-chilling cold climate; less thickness is required in a moderate climate or with the polystyrene and urethane types. (Perimeter insulation in a new house is placed inside the foundation walls before the cement slab is poured, so you will not see it on the outside.) Insulation is unnecessary under the whole concrete slab floor because the protected ground below never gets cold enough to warrant it.

Crawl-space insulation is easily stapled between the joists under the floor. It should be supported with chicken wire to prevent sagging.

Insulation is generally not needed for the floor over a basement. If your floor is chilly, the National Warm Air Heating & Air Conditioning Association recommends at least one heat outlet from the duct in the basement to provide a cushion of warm air directly under the first floor.

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Location of insulation	Minimum R value to look for on the insulation	Approximate thickness	
Over ceilings (between attic floor joists)	19	Equivalent to 5 to 7 inches thick of mineral wool insulation (such as rock wool, glass fiber), depending on brand	
Exterior walls	alls 11 Equivalent to ab inches, dependir brand		
Floors over vented crawl space (no basement)	13	Equivalent to 3 to 3½ inches, depending on brand	

Color is Her Business (continued from page 26)

It has to have a light, and a dark, and a bright. With small swatches of fabric or paper, you can make hundreds of color schemes. But I don't believe a room should have more than three colors-any more is apt to be commonplace.

Do you think color trends reflect the times?

Oh, very much, I really do. And I also have a feeling that color reflects a deep-down desire for change, with the live feeling and exhilaration that change brings. It's more than the planned obsolescence notion that we must off with the old and on with the new every five minutes. Actually, I think the whole idea of outdating is pretty outdated. I feel that colors move in cycles, because we need something new, and fresh, and exciting on our horizon and color is the

quickest, easiest way to bring it about.

What are today's color trends?

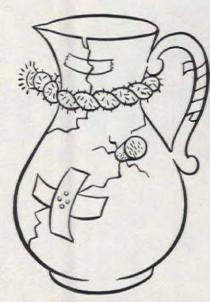
There's been so much blue green that the pendulum will naturally start swinging to the yellow greens-the warm, mossy, browny greens that you see in nature. Curry yellow is also on the march, because of the ever-moving cycle. One thing you can be sure of, there's more and more acceptance of strong colors-partly because we have developed better dyes. People are no longer afraid of deep pinks, burgundies, oranges, and reds.

Do you think that color is the decorator's most valuable tool?

Yes, I think it is in many cases. Particularly when a budget is very low, we know that all kinds of miracles can be done with color!

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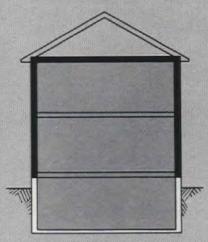


INSULATION FACT SHEET

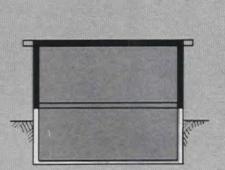
First in a series of design and construction tips for your home improvement file

Whether you own an older home or plan to buy a new one you'll find these fundamentals of insulation and weatherproofing essential wherever you live. Tear out the page and keep it as a guide when you need it. You'll find more invaluable fact sheets coming up in future issues of The American Home.

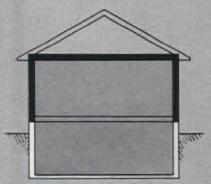
WHERE TO INSULATE YOUR HOME



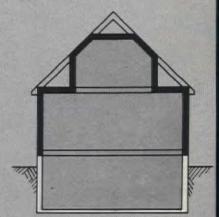
TWO-STORY HOME needs side-wall and attic-floor insulation. Usually, it is not needed under first floor if home has basement. Dark gray shading shows heated portion.



FLAT-ROOFED HOME should have insulation in side walls and roof. Insulate roof to maximum, particularly as a barrier against direct heat from summer sun. Roof should also be vented.

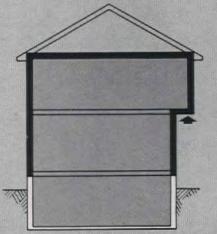


ONE-STORY HOME must have insulation in side walls and attic floor. This is true whether there is a hip roof or gable ends. The attic should be vented (see following page).

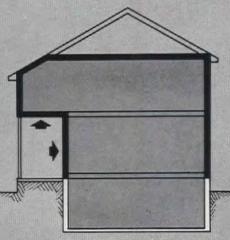


ONE-AND-A-HALF-STORY HOME needs insulation in side walls on first floor and around contour of finished attic space. If dormers are added, insulate them.

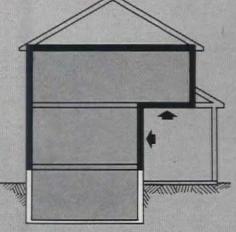
DON'T FORGET TO INSULATE THESE AREAS



OVERHANGS are very prevalent in one- and two-story homes. In either case overhanging portions must be insulated. This is particularly true in winter, since a lack of insulation produces cold drafts.



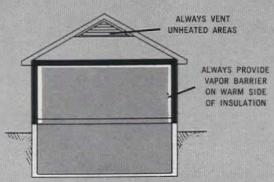
PORCH CEILING INSULATION is neglected enough times in new construction and remodeling for you to make certain it's included. The need for it is the same as for an overhang. Porch wall must be insulated too.



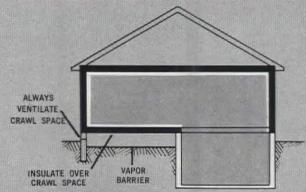
GARAGE WITH LIVING SPACE above occurs most often in split-level homes. For winter-weather protection insulation is needed on ceiling and wall separating garage and house. Only exception: when garage is heated.

CRAWL SPACE calls for insulation under floor. Rule is broken only when the crawl space is used as heating plenum. Then masonry perimeter is insulated, usually with a rigid material.

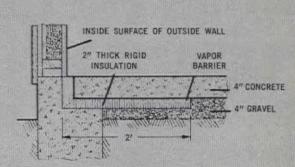
VAPOR BARRIERS—A VITAL ADDITION



ALL HOMES WITH BASEMENTS should have vapor barrier on warm side of insulation. Intent is to keep interior house moisture from flowing through walls, making insulation soggy (and ineffective) and causing blisters on outside.



CRAWL SPACE, under entire house or a part of it. needs vapor barrier laid over earth to keep ground moisture from rising into house. No vapor barrier is needed under the floor, but insulation is needed. The crawl space must be vented to the outside.



CONCRETE SLAB FOUNDATION can be insulated only during construction. Rigid insulation fits over footing, as shown, and vapor barrier goes over insulation and gravel before slab is poured. Care must be taken not to rupture barrier during pour.

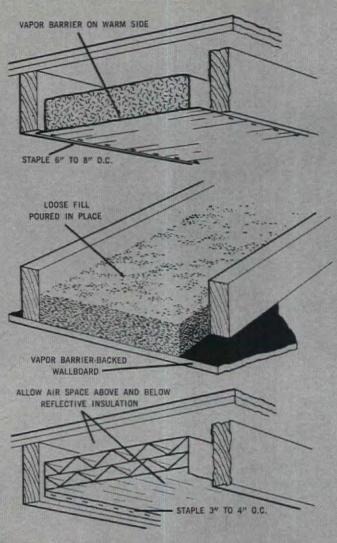
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THREE MAJOR TYPES OF INSULATION

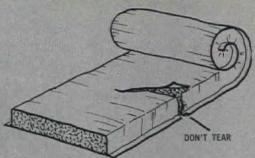
BLANKET INSULATION ranges from one inch to six inches in thickness. The thicker the pad, the higher the R value. It's made in widths to fit between standard joist and stud spacing, and comes in rolls. It is also pre-cut in four- and eight-foot lengths, called batts. Many brands have vapor barriers already applied to one side of the insulation.

LOOSE-FILL INSULATION is sold in bags, and is simply poured between ceiling joists, as shown here. A finer variety of the material is blown (by special machine) between existing walls. Vapor barrier can be installed before pouring between joists, but barrier can't be installed economically in wall, which detracts from material's usefulness. Vermiculite and perlite fill are ideal for insulating masonry walls.

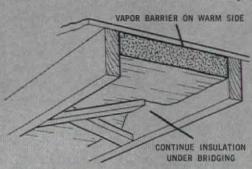
ALUMINUM-FOIL INSULATION contains layers of foil with air spaces between. The greater the number of layers and air spaces, the better. It's a natural vapor barrier, but better at barring heat from the house in summer than conserving it in winter. Some experts do not recommend it for very cold regions.



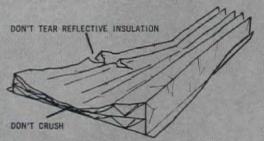
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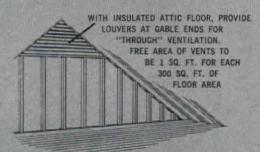
BLANKET OR BATT INSULATION must be installed intact. Any tear is bad, especially on the vapor barrier side, since moisture will enter blanket and reduce efficiency.



INSTALLATION OF BLANKET INSULATION under bracing is handled as shown here. Compressing blanket at ends of bracing will not seriously reduce the insulation's value.



arton during installation is virtually useless since dead air spaces do the work.

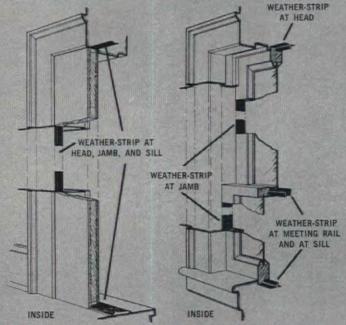


LOUVERS ARE NECESSARY for adequate venting in attic or above finished space in 1½-story home. Louvers must be screened.

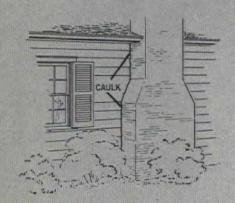
WEATHER STRIPPING

DOORS CAN BE WEATHER-STRIPPED any time by you—in a new house or old house. Strip should be installed along head, jamb, and threshold. A necessary complement to insulation, since it prevents air infiltration, good weather stripping also keeps out water, dust, and snow.

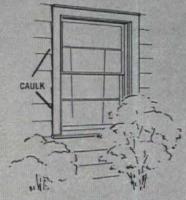
pouble-Hung window requires more involved weather stripping than door. It is therefore easier to do in new construction than remodeling. To weather-strip existing windows, check with your local building-material dealer. Other window types can also be weather-stripped.



THE FINISHING TOUCH TO WEATHERPROOFING-CAULKING



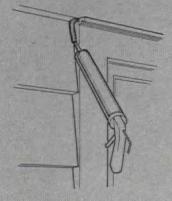
chimney butts siding roughly never tight enough to prevent some air infiltration, so caulking at this joint is a must, from foundation to eave.



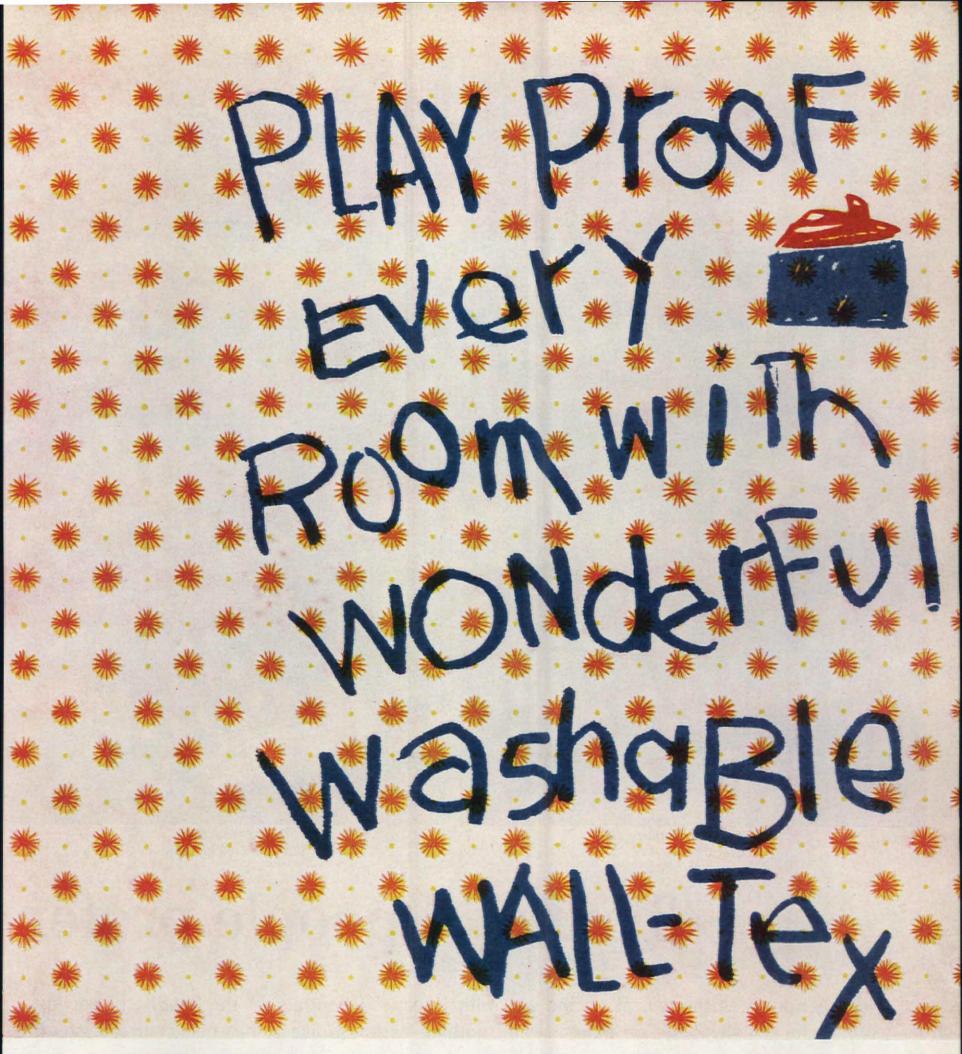
window casing provides a better joint with siding, but still not good enough to keep out drafts. Just caulk sides of all casings.



DOOR PRESENTS SAME PROBLEM AS WINDOW; should have caulking applied to side of casing. Other joints should already be flashed.



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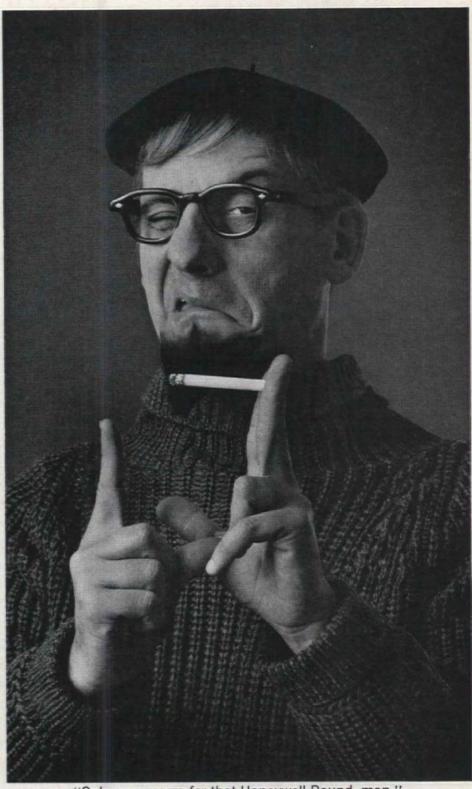
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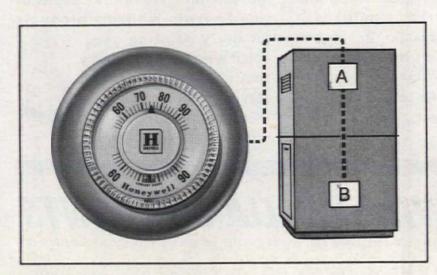


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MISSOURI

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Special attention to design details, both inside and out, made this fine builder's house in St. Louis, Missouri, a favorite with the judges. Restrained use of only two materials on the exterior—brick and white painted wood—as well as the large roof overhangs that cast interesting shadows, set the pace for design excellence that is found throughout. This detailing is most evident in handsome kitchen cabinets, bathroom vanities, tile work, and the perforated divider that separates the entry from the family room.

Functionally this house separates into four areas: formal living, informal or family living, sleeping, and storage-utility.

The informal living area will probably be used most. Almost 400 square feet in size, it consists of the family room, kitchen, and breakfast room. This area's usefulness and charm are enhanced by a sliding glass door leading to the outside, a snack bar serviced from the kitchen, a fire-

place if the owner chooses, and easy access to the storage-utility room.

The storage-utility room offers all kinds of opportunities for future use. It could be partitioned off to form a small den; or a half bath or mud room could be added for the convenience of children playing outside.

Although the living room is not particularly large, the judges felt the positions of windows and doorway made furniture arrangement easy and efficient. The corner window also offers a possibility for interesting decorating treatment. A spacious dining room, adjoining a wonderful large pantry, completes the formal living area.

Three bedrooms have good separation and adequate storage. The master bedroom features two closets, a dressing area, complete bath, and sliding glass doors to the outside.

Included are air conditioning and such special appliances as a dishwasher and disposal.



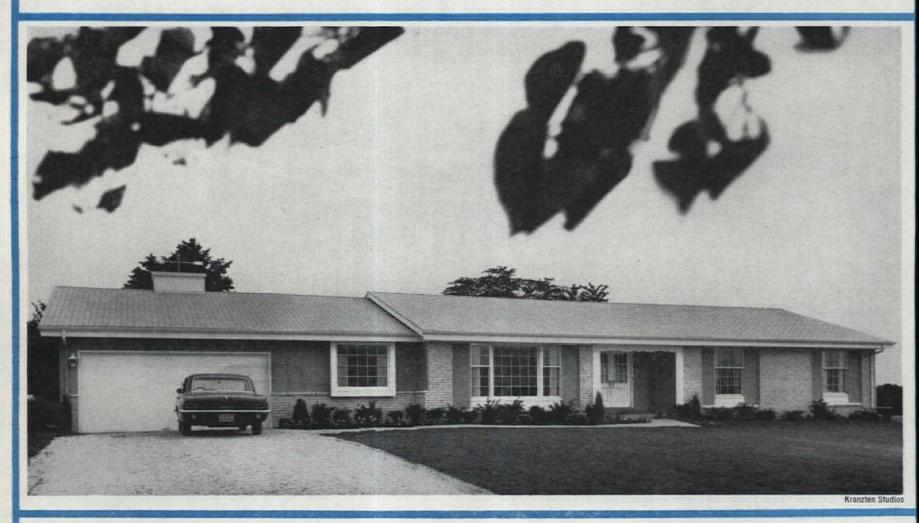
In a highly competitive area where builders are constantly on their toes trying to keep ahead of the other fellow, it is often the little items that make one house stand out above the others. The panel of judges felt that this house in Milwaukee had enough of these little features to make it a winner. From the moment you walk through the entry, recessed to protect the front door from the weather, and step into the large walnut-paneled fover, you are aware that this house is out of the ordinary.

Starting in the bedroom wing, which is well separated from the living areas, the first item that impresses one is the enormous master bath. Measuring almost 14x6', and designed to serve guests as well as the master bedroom, it features a vanity-top basin and a dressing table,

both with large mirrors. The master bedroom suite is also of luxurious proportions, and includes a spacious walk-in closet. The other two bedrooms have above average closet space and share a bathroom. To complete the storage situation in this end of the house there are three large closets in the hall.

Moving into the living areas of the house, we see a very workable and convenient domain for the housewife. The kitchen is the hub of things and there's a good-sized laundry with lavatory and an outdoor-clothes closet. Access to other parts of the house is excellent as it is to the basement, garage, and outdoors.

While the exterior does not have as many strong points as the interior, the 92' length and the clean styling make it an attractive house in all respects.





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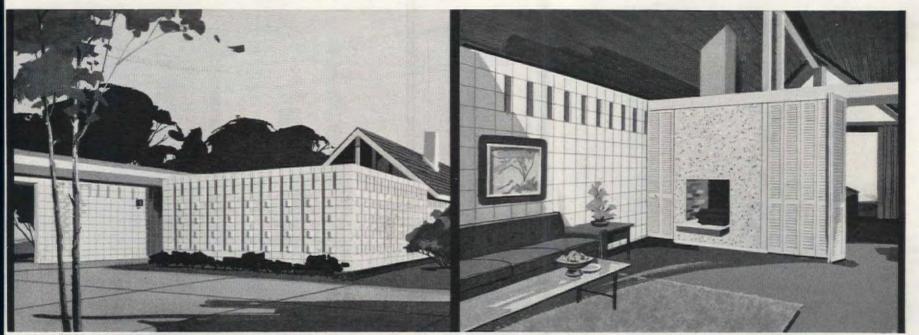
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Architect: Cecil E. Stanfield, Stanfield, Imel & Walton Architects, Inc.

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Radnor Twp., Delaware County • Builder: Robert J. Shilliday Architect: E. J. Maniscalco, Jr.

TENNESSEE

Hendersonville . Builder: Braxton D. Dixon Architect: Hardie C. Bass

TEXAS

El Paso . Builder: Miele Construction Co.

Architect: Middleton and Staten El Paso • Builder: Walter Plattor Architect: James M. Langford

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El Paso . Builder: Willis Construction Co. Architect: Dickson Skidmore

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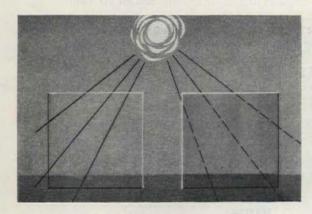
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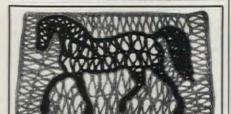


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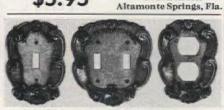


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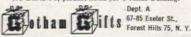
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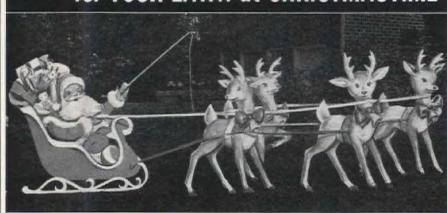
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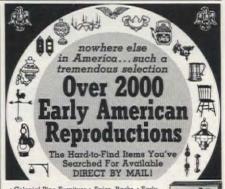
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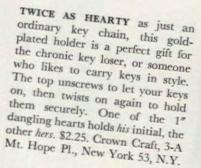


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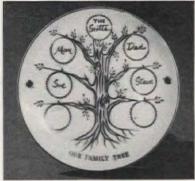
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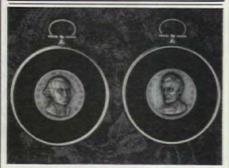


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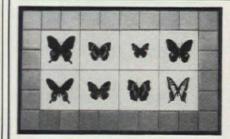


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REMODELING MONEY: It may be easier to get a long-term \$10,000 loan with FHA backing in the months ahead. Pressure has been put on legislators and FHA officials to straighten out the kinks in the FHA "203-K" remodeling loan program. Biggest snag has been the reluctance of bankers to loan long-term money at 6% interest. FHA made one feint at liberalizing the rates this past August, but the agency was blocked by Rep. Albert Rains (D. Ala.) who heads the powerful House Banking Subcommittee on Housing. Despite this, the future looks bright for relaxed terms, which means more money available for remodeling, although at slightly higher rates.

TOYING WITH PRICES: The toy industry had been accused of not playing the game according to the rules when it comes to advertising the prices of many toys. That doll shown at \$24.95, and wearing a price tag to that effect, just isn't going at that price anywhere. Maybe she is, and maybe she isn't a good buy at \$14.95—or \$9.95. To clear the air of charges of deceptive pricing, some manufacturers will abandon the use of list, preticketed, or stated prices in toy advertising and selling, and will use instead such expressions as "Sells for under (amount) dollars." The Better

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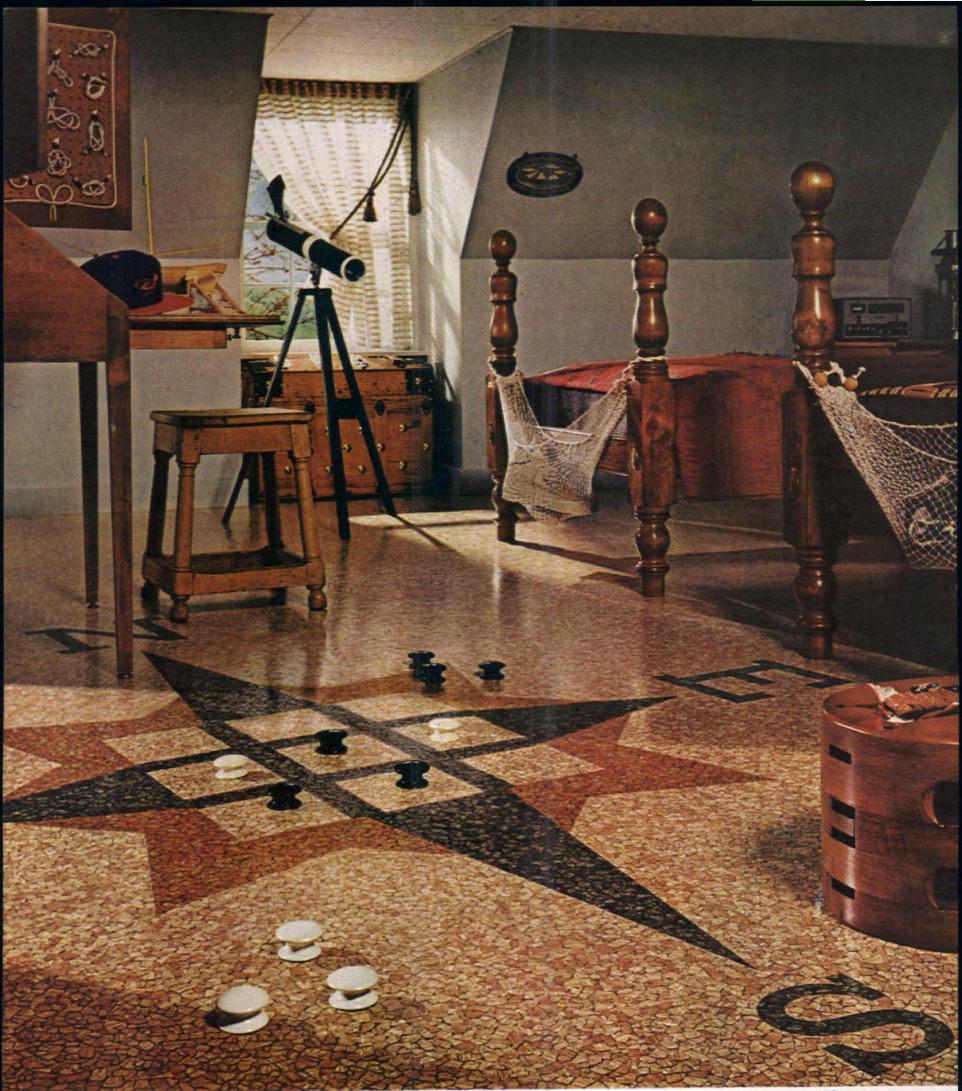
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