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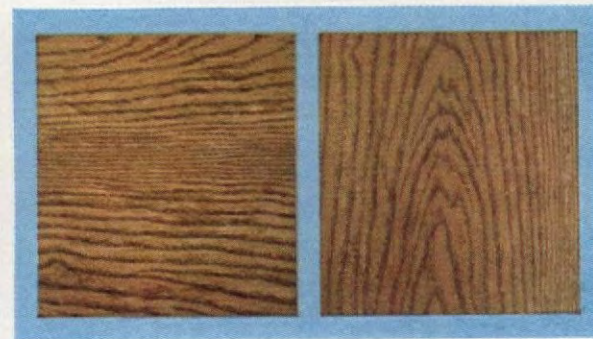
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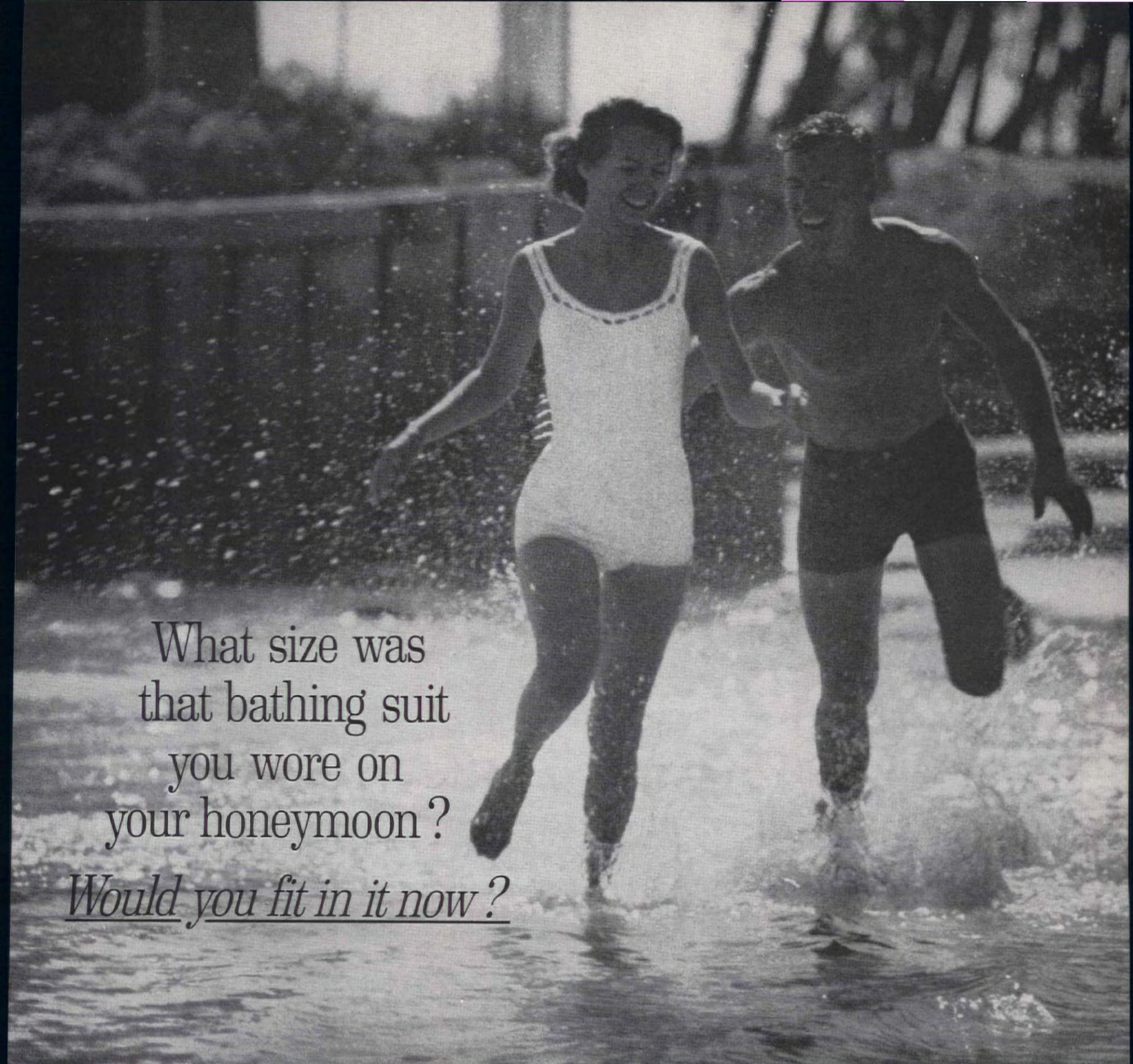


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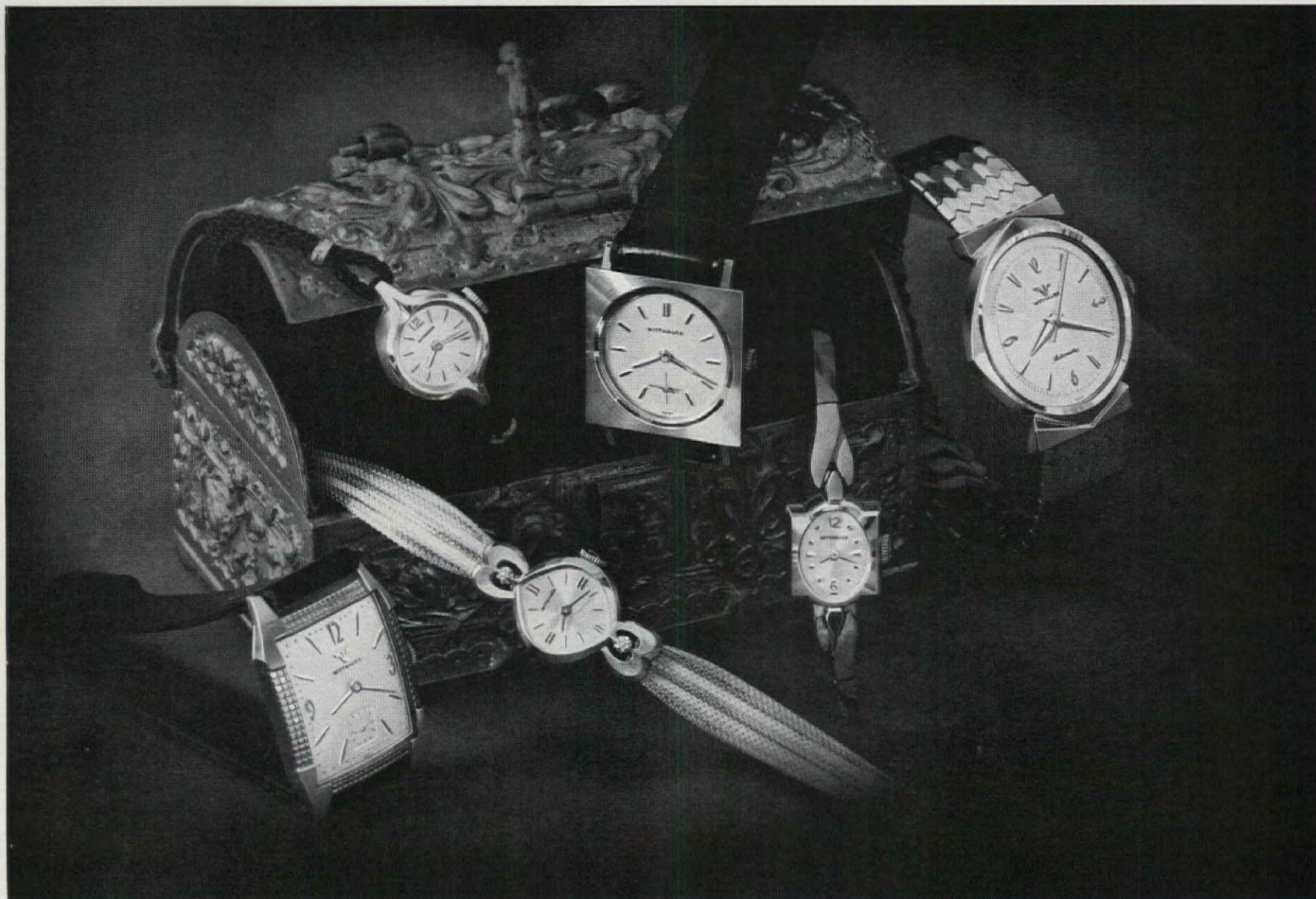
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OUR COVER

Why not take advantage of a bare-faced wall and put it to work—both decoratively and functionally? Our storage wall was assembled in modular units and could be easily adapted to your home. You'll find more about it beginning on page 48—complete with construction information. Photographer: Lisanti.

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DEAR READER:

On page 85 we have reprinted a telegram from President Kennedy to the National Home Improvement Council congratulating this organization for its efforts in promoting increased interest in home improvement. President Kennedy points out, however, that a woefully large percentage of this nation's housing is still in need of major repairs and rehabilitation.

This is a problem that must be attacked on many levels and there is no pat answer. We believe, however, that one very positive step in the right direction would be to remove the penalty that usually goes hand in hand with property improvement. In most communities, when improvements are made, taxes on the property go up. This is a consideration that must be taken into account by home owners and landlords, and can be a definite deterrent to action. The cost of the improvements can be paid off in due time but the increased real estate taxes continue, presumably into infinity. Would it not be more foresighted for the community to forego this increase and thereby encourage more property owners to make improvements? The community does not, after all, lose revenue, it simply doesn't gain more. On the other hand, the entire community, from the inhabitants of the dwelling, to the carpenter, the plumber, the next door neighbor, benefits immeasurably.

Taking this approach one step further, we would also suggest that in certain depressed neighborhoods, taxes be decreased when property is improved. This concept has been tried in certain countries, Australia, for example, with apparently good results. It seems obvious that a community would find a neighborhood of attractive homes and multi-family dwellings a surer sign of civic health than deteriorating or slum areas where crime and delinquency, along with taxes, are high. We must remember, too, that this country will soon face an acute shortage of land. Therefore we cannot let vast areas fall into a state of disrepair.

If our towns and cities are seriously interested in raising the standard of housing and rejuvenating neighborhoods as well as preventing the growth of slums, then they might well give serious consideration to this plan.

THE EDITOR



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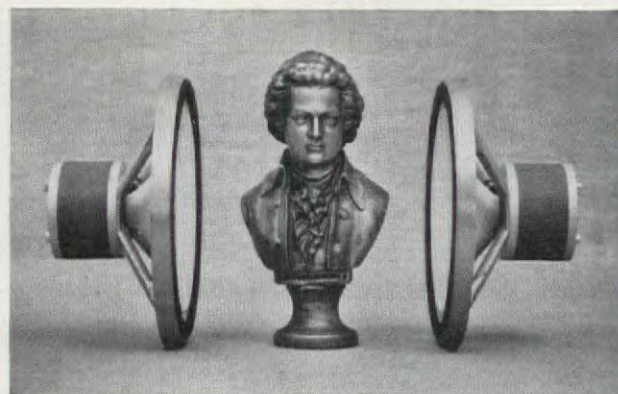


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by RALPH FREAS

Hi-fi in parts: what you should know about the dollars and sense of it

Ask a hi-fi buff "what's good about component high fidelity?" He'll toss out facts about low-distortion, woofers, tweeters, and the like. But if you fidget and stare vacantly, he may shift verbal gears and talk about decorating flexibility. He's right. "Hi-fi in parts" is flexible. You can build it right into your walls, organize it nicely in bookshelves, install it in Grandmother's antique credenza, or put it into custom-built furniture—just like a factory-prepared hi-fi set.

If your hi-fi friend is religious about the subject, he'll blanch at the thought of buying anything but "hi-fi in parts." But the factory-prepared package has definite advantages. When you get it home and place it, you simply plug it in (like a toaster or any other appliance). And its quality is relatively high. For dollar spent, you get more in a radio-phonograph console today than you could five or ten years ago.

Well, the quality story of "hi-fi in parts" is well-known. And we've agreed about flexibility. But there's another major benefit that gets little attention from anyone. Let's call it "budget flexibility." This simply means that everything does not have to be bought at once. Look at it this way. If you go shopping for a complete hi-fi set at a music or department store, you'll find that a good quality console (containing AM/FM radio, stereo phonograph, TV, and tape recorder) will be price-tagged at about \$1500. Even an average quality set will hover around the thousand-dollar mark. Few of us (unless we have a doting aunt with pots of money) have that much spare change rattling around in the "Fun" budget envelope. And when weighed against expanding the garage, building on an extra bedroom, or putting in a lavatory off the family room, few of us will incline toward high (or even medium) fi.

O.K. Here's where "budget flexibility" fits in. By buying "hi-fi in parts," you can create a com-

plete system over a long period of time. And the best part is—you can enjoy top quality sound as the building process goes on.

A beginning high-fidelity music system needs only two elements—an FM radio receiver and a speaker system. These bring high fidelity radio reception into your home. And it can cost as little as \$304.45—\$219.95 for the receiver (Harman-Kardon's FA3000X) and \$84.50 for speaker system (Electro-Voice's "Leyton"). Prices quoted are for average quality components; there are cheaper as well as more expensive ones.

As time passes and savings grow, you add to the system. A dramatic improvement can be made by buying a second "Leyton" speaker system. For the additional \$84.50, you'll have the newest wrinkle in home entertainment—stereo-FM radio. Attaching the speakers to the receiver is duck-soup simple. The speaker cord (like ordinary lamp cord, it has two wires) is attached to a pair of screws on the back of the receiver. The job takes only a screwdriver and two minutes' time.

The next addition, when budget permits, is record-playing equipment. The cost, for automatic turntable and stereo magnetic cartridge, is \$71. Attaching it to your system takes even less effort than hooking on a speaker. The cable that comes from the record player's tone arm is simply plugged into the proper receptacle on the back of the receiver. You don't need even a screwdriver. It will take longer to open the shipping carton than it will to start the turntable spinning. The automatic turntable, at \$54.50, is Garrard's AT6; the cartridge is Pickering's "Stereo 90" for \$16.50.

So far, we've spent \$459.95. And the purchase is impressive—a complete stereophonic radio-phonograph with the latest stereo-FM radio feature. But the FM receiver's capability has not yet been fully used. It still has provision for accepting a tape recorder. As used in the system we're building, the recorder will play tapes through

the system and record material off-the-air, from recordings, and via microphones. By adding this unit, "instant stereo" recordings can be made in your living room from stereo-FM broadcasts. The stereo tape recorder (the Sony 464-D) is tagged at \$199.95, bringing the cost of the system up to \$659.90. Again, the installation of the tape recorder requires no tools; just plug the cable into the appropriate receptacles.

The music system is now complete and the cost is under—by more than half—the price of the de luxe set mentioned earlier. Of course, we've provided no furniture but we expect you'll have ideas about that. (If Grandmother's antiques don't serve, you may be able to pick up an old pine dry sink or corner cupboard to meet your needs.) About prices: while researching this article, we shopped some of Manhattan's high-fidelity stores and found that the price of the system described above could be reduced if bought at one time. But that defeats our "budget flexibility" idea. Even in buying an element at a time, we found some dealers willing to shave the quoted prices, however. This condition may be peculiar to New York City but it may also hold true in your area.

After completion, your music system has flexibility in still another direction. You can change the entire system or any element in it should even higher quality seem desirable. And you can continue to use the replaced component. You may, for example, want to replace the speakers with a pair that can reproduce the most subtle nuances of sound. The old speakers aren't wasted. You can move them into the playroom, den, on the patio in summer, or into the kitchen. Their continued use in another part of the house takes only extra wire and a toggle switch (to prevent serenading the kitchen sink when you're not there).

Or, as the children grow and want their own record player, you can replace your player with a more de luxe model (continued on page 78)

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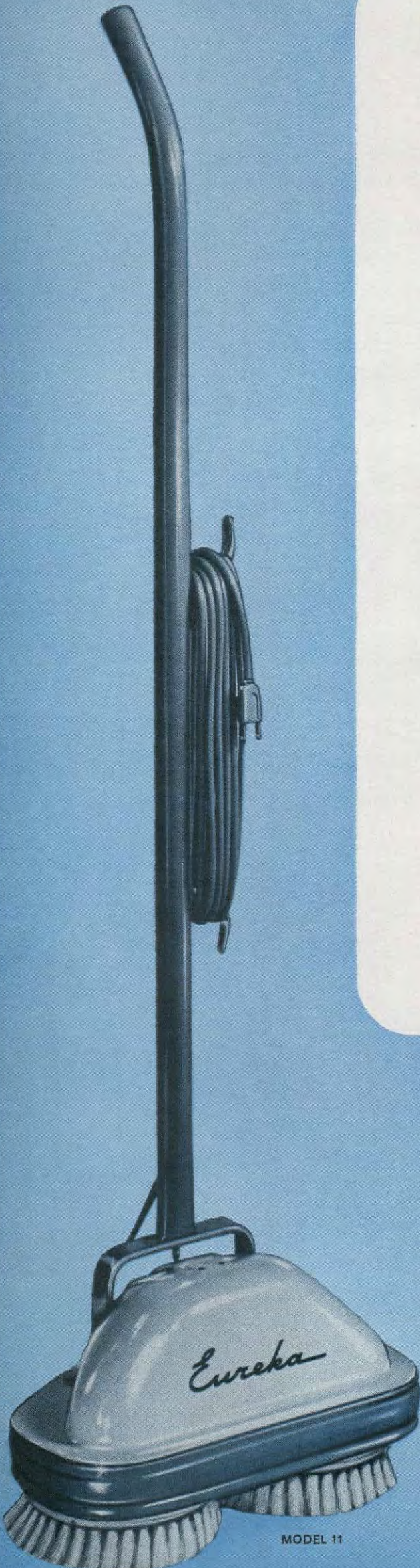
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Just to explain, in case you haven't heard of these wonderful kits before . . . Each of them takes the form of a sturdy 12x15" portfolio devoted to a specific area of building, remodeling, and decorating. Included in the portfolio, in addition to the amply illustrated basic guide, will be a wealth of helpful related matter . . . cutouts and graph paper for accurately scaled planning where applicable, authoritative suggestions for the financing of your home project, lists of Qualified Home Improvement Centers selected to help you with home improvement projects of all types and sizes. Also tucked away in the handy pockets of the portfolio will be material suggesting ways in which especially chosen *American Home*-advertised quality products can serve to make your home project a success. In every aspect these kits have been designed to extend the kind of personal guidance that might be given if it were possible for each of our editors to speak with you individually.

So far, three of these especially designed kits are available. They are *The American Home Kitchen and Laundry Planning Guide*, *The American Home Exterior Remodeling Guide*, and *The American Home Bathroom Planning Guide*. Each is available for \$1.

We sincerely feel that each of these portfolios—and those still in the various stages of planning—will be of genuine value. As we said in the beginning, these kits may not be exactly "nirvana in a nutshell" (actually our phrase was kitchen in a kit) but once you see them you'll have to admit they *do* come pretty close.



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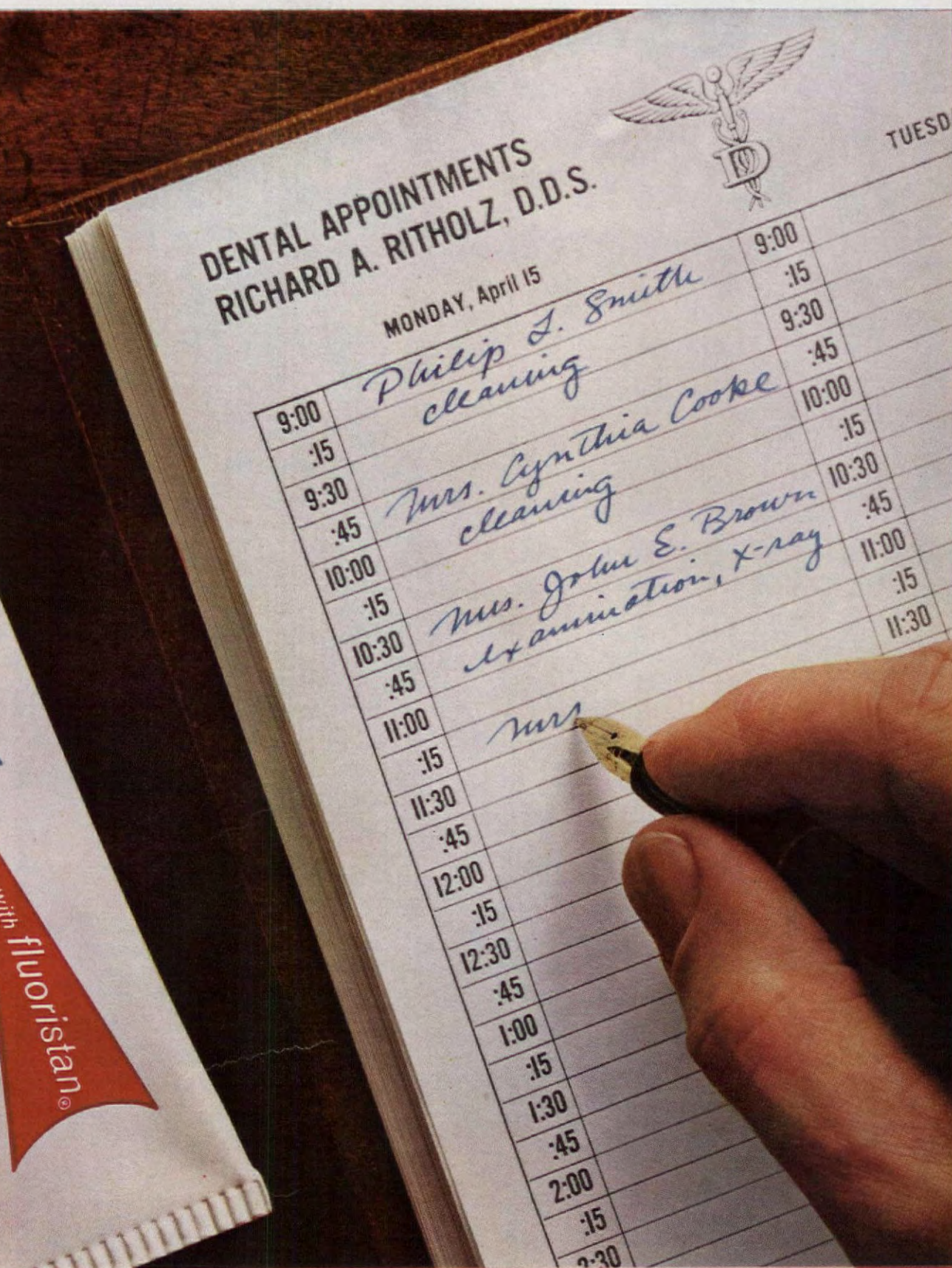
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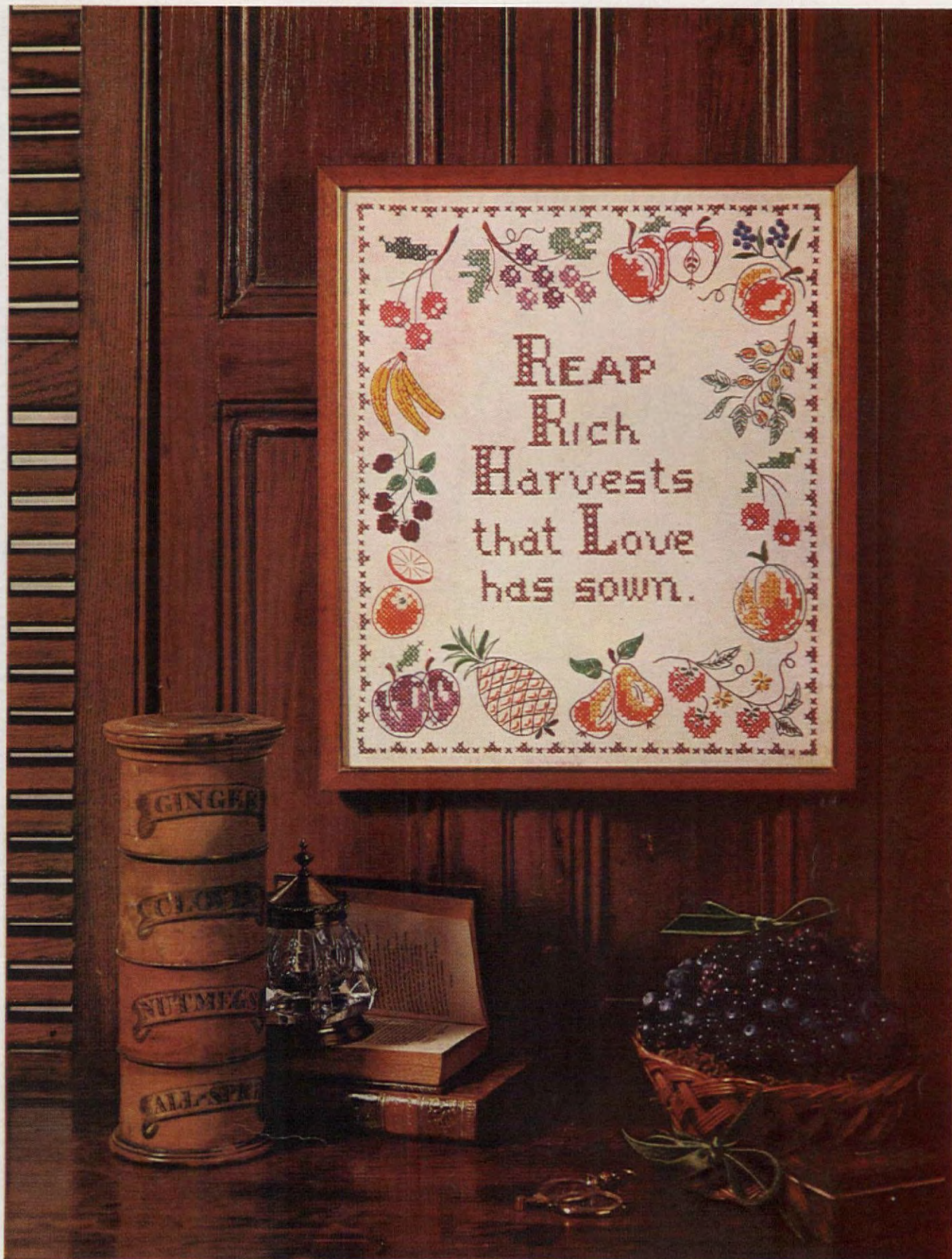
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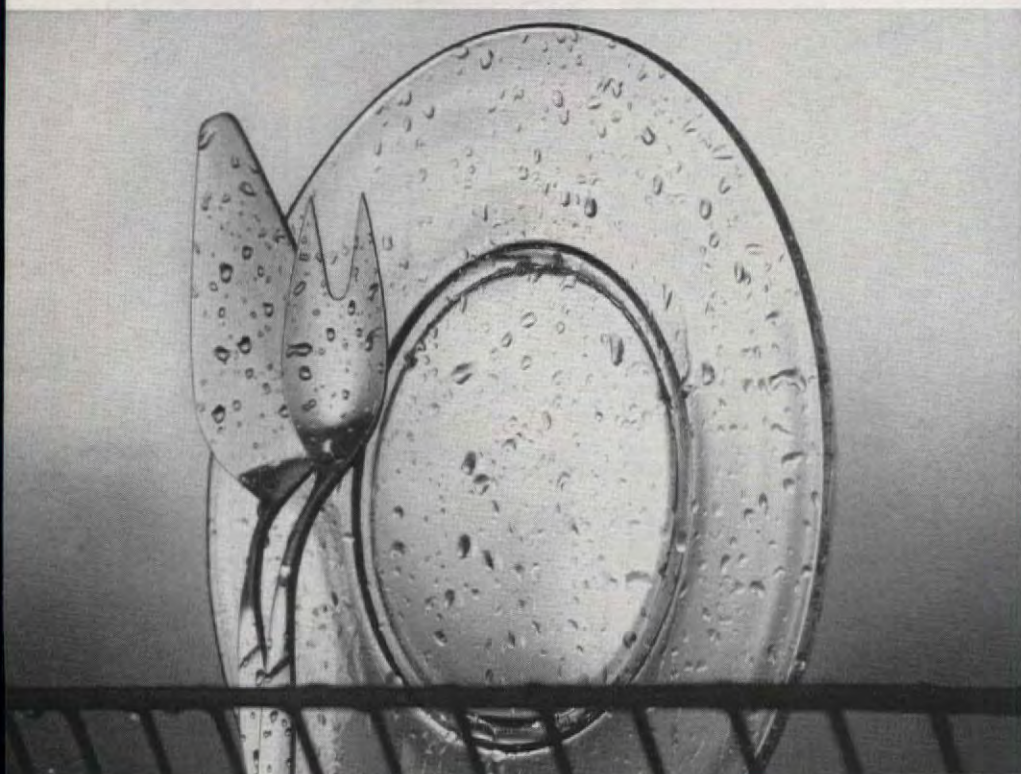
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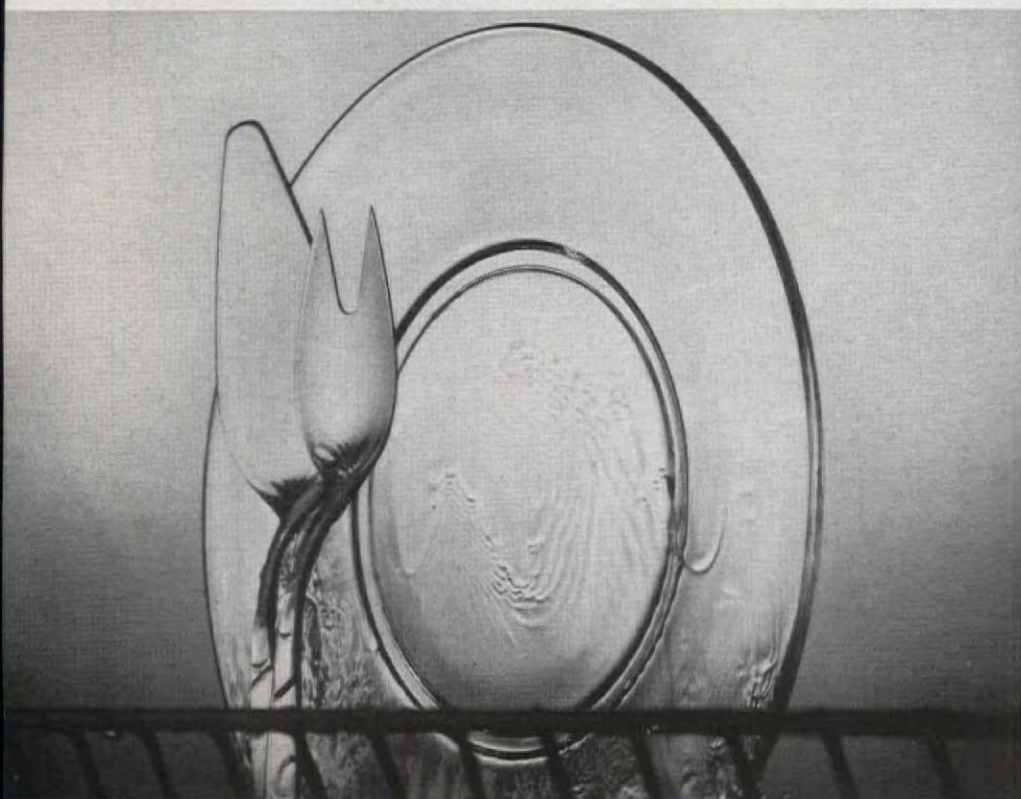
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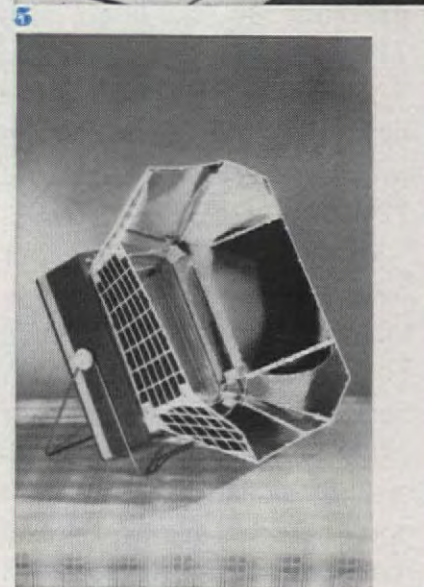
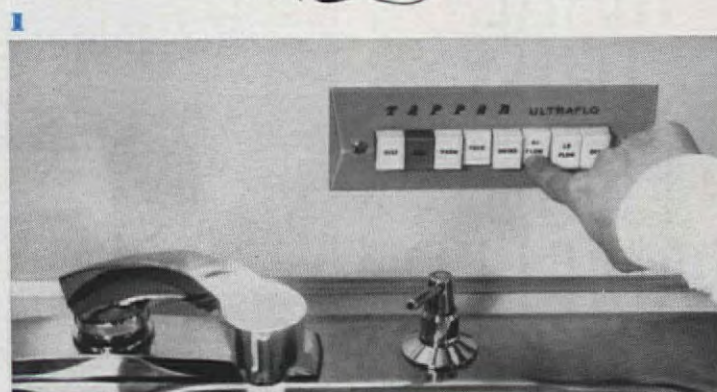
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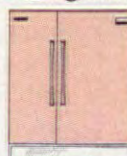
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EVAN McLEOD WYLIE

ARE YOU GIVING HOUSEROOM TO

HEALTH HAZARDS?

This article concerns your family's health and the way you clean house. Normal cleaning does not always suffice for those under-cover breeding areas for bacteria and germs. Total cleaning is all important. Modern equipment and household cleaning products are a boon to this problem, yet they cannot do an effective job alone. Your awareness of this problem is important. This article will help you search out these areas and point up what you, together with the help of appliances or cleaning products, can do to cut down on health hazards in the home. We asked Evan McLeod Wylie to research this subject. His findings are enlightening! Take them to heart!

VIRGINIA T. HABEEB

Winter and summer for the past three years modern home washing machines have whirled away in a laundry room in an elm-shaded Georgian brick building in Beltsville, Maryland. From the machines, week after week, have emerged baskets of sparkling clean family wash. The women supervising this familiar household task, however, have not been housewives but white-smocked bacteriologists in the laboratories of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Research Center.

The question the researchers have been seeking to answer for the benefit of American homemakers is: how free from disease germs is the family wash after it's been put through automatic washers with soap or detergents?

To carry out the studies, bacteriologist Ethel McNeil and her co-workers enlisted the aid of average families living in Beltsville and metropolitan Washington, D.C. Regularly their bags of soiled laundry were delivered to the laboratory. They were given the standard washing treatment in the machines at both hot- and warm-water settings. Then the clothes were checked for signs of bacteria. The Beltsville scientists' findings to date: automatic washers using soap or detergents at usual home water temperatures fail to rid the family laundry completely of disease-causing bacteria.

Thirty species of bacteria, including many of those associated with human diseases, were found to be capable of surviving the typical home laundering methods. Among these were

Staphylococcus aureus (Golden Staph) which has lately been responsible for so many disease and intestinal food poisoning epidemics. Significantly, ear infections, skin sores, respiratory and stomach ailments caused by this same bacteria were among the illnesses reported to the laboratory by the families who supplied the laundry. Perhaps of even greater significance was the discovery that disease germs were spread from one article of clothing to another during the laundering process.

The Beltsville scientists strongly emphasize that their studies do not in any way suggest that automatic washers are not making vital contributions to family health. The lesson to be drawn from them is that these marvelous aids to housekeeping must not be mistakenly taken as a cure-all for the control of disease in our homes. We may have the most efficient automated cleaning equipment in the world, but the enormous assistance it can make to family health is wasted unless we follow through with up-to-date hygienic practices.

There is little doubt, add other bacteriologists and hygienists, that while possessing the most modern cleaning devices, many American families, through ignorance, misunderstanding, or plain carelessness, are giving house-room to health hazards. ("Unhygienic home habits," one physician told *The American Home*, "are probably responsible for more family illness than any other cause.")

Because medicine has made such dazzling progress in the control and elimination of many of the major maladies that afflicted mankind in the past, we sometimes lose sight of the fact that a host of common diseases continue to be a serious menace to our health.

This past winter health experts estimate that American children in the five-to-fourteen age group have suffered about 65 million illnesses. The vast majority were stricken by ailments spread by germs commonly found on their hands and clothing and within the four walls of their homes.

It makes no sense to be so panicky about germs that you scarcely dare draw a deep breath. It is important to understand which germs pose threats, how they commonly spread and invade the human body, and how we can easily combat disease by cutting down on health hazards in our homes.

You will never see a germ in your home—all are invisible save under a strong microscope—but you live your life surrounded and constantly contaminated by hordes of them. You carry

more on your own person than there are people on this planet, and germs are incessantly multiplying at the rate of trillions in 24 hours. Of course a healthy person has a natural resistance to a vast number of these germs. But if resistance is lowered through fatigue or other reasons these germs can become a threat.

Disease germs fall into two categories: bacteria and viruses. Bacteria are tiny living creatures which when they gain a foothold within the human body produce sicknesses such as diphtheria, pneumonia, whooping cough, "strep" throat, boils, sores, and intestinal upsets.

Viruses are living organisms so small that they cannot be seen under an ordinary microscope. Common diseases caused by viruses include chicken pox, measles, mumps, polio, infectious hepatitis, cold sores, and the common cold. There are more than 40 known viruses that bring about different types of illnesses in human beings.

Most of these organisms that make us sick grow best at human body temperature. They breed prolifically in dirt, dust, soiled clothing, on food, on damp towels and soap, and in dark corners. They multiply rapidly on damp mops and sponges which then distribute them through a household. One of the most common trails of infection is that of germs that spread from nose to skin to clothing to the floor where they can live for long periods in dust and be recirculated through the air.

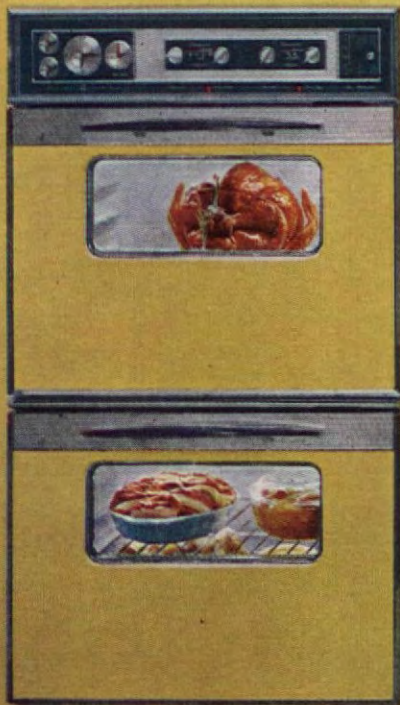
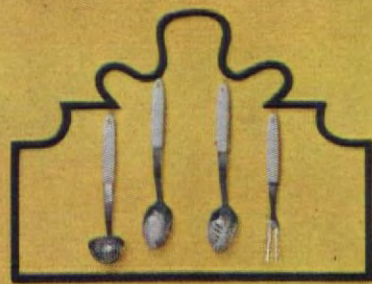
Clean surfaces are important. The knowledge of how to keep them clean will help to cut down on serious infection and reinfection.

It is unrealistic to attempt to fight germs by transforming your home into the rigidly antiseptic atmosphere of a hospital or a medical laboratory, but the daily and weekly conscientious room-to-room housecleaning with modern equipment and effective household cleansers and disinfectants is vitally important in keeping their numbers to a minimum. Therefore, the reasonable objective of any homemaker must be a clean home rather than a sterile home.

Hygiene experts believe families could drastically cut illness if they would place special emphasis on removing bacteria and viruses from their hands, their clothing, and their cooking and eating utensils so that they cannot gain entry into their bodies.

Doctors now believe that nearly 90 per cent of the disease germs that cause common infections get into our bodies via our hands.

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"We've been here two years now," says Veronica Hackett, "and this is certainly the most comfortable home we've ever owned. For example, now that we have flameless electric heating, it's really like springtime in our house the whole year round. And I still can't get over how clean everything stays."

Mrs. Hackett also appreciates the convenience of a total electric home. "Honestly," she says, "it's a real pleasure to take

care of a home like this. Even though I do all my own housework, with so many flameless electric appliances it's like having a whole lot of people to help me."

Edward Hackett admits that when they first moved in, there was some question in his mind about how much total electric living might cost.

"Some of our friends told us they thought we'd find it pretty expensive," he explains, "but that hasn't turned out to be the case. In fact, measuring what we're getting in extra comfort and convenience against what it's costing us, we figure total electric living is really a tremendous bargain."

If you're planning to build, buy or modernize, look into the advantages of total electric living for your own family. Your local electric utility company will be happy to help you get all the information you need to enjoy this truly modern way of life.

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"COOKING WITH FLAMELESS ELECTRICITY is so simple that even I like to get into the act every once in a while," Mr. Hackett admits. "And my wife is certainly right when she says that an electric range helps to keep our kitchen cooler and cleaner."



CLEAN ELECTRIC HEATING is one of the benefits of total electric living appreciated most by Mr. and Mrs. Hackett, shown in the living room of their new home with sons Larry, 13, Don, 15, Terry, 9, Denny, 14, and Jimmy, 2, and daughter Peggy, 4. With electric heat, the Hacketts report, they find it practical for the first time to have light-colored drapes, rugs and furnishings.

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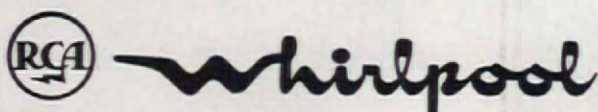
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Health Hazards

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homes," observes one physician, "but many of the diseases which formerly were spread by these carriers now are being spread by human fingers. The greatest health menace in any home is the germ-contaminated hand." For example, toilet-contaminated hands which remain unwashed or that are washed in the kitchen sink are ideal means of spreading both minor and serious infections throughout a family.

Washing with soap and warm water is still the most economical way of ridding your hands of bacteria and viruses. No single item can compare with soap or detergent in respect to the amount of sickness and disease prevented by their use.

There is, however, one widespread misconception about soap and about synthetic detergents, too. We use soap and detergents not to kill germs (although some do have germ-killing properties) but primarily to loosen and remove films of dirt and grease containing them. The sudsing, grease-cutting action of the ordinary bar of soap or liquid detergent sends germs down the drain—which in many instances is as good as killing them.

Constant progress is being made in the development of new cleansing products and the improvement of old ones. A homemaker has only to walk into the supermarket to be confronted with a dazzling display of cleansers. Some are all-purpose, some have specific uses. The modern homemaker does not automatically reach out for the same product she's been using for years; she will stop and read labels, investigate new products. They are all designed to make her work easier, her home cleaner.

An example of recent achievements in the detergent field is the development of a product which grew out of the fight to control certain strains of staphylococci bacteria which have a strong resistance to antibiotic drugs.

When this new liquid sudsing detergent was used in the washing of infants and the hands of doctors, nurses, and mothers who handled them it drastically reduced the spread of "staph" germs.

Later, intensive studies at hospitals and universities throughout the world confirmed that it had unusual powers as a germ-killing skin antiseptic. Not only does this detergent actually kill the germs it encounters but during the washing process an antiseptic film is left on the skin that continues to inhibit the growth of fresh bacteria.

This detergent is available in drug-stores at a slightly higher cost than other popular cleansers. However, if you have a new baby or there is a serious illness in your home it is worth considering.

Second only to contaminated hands as a disease hazard are germ-contaminated hand towels, dish towels, bath towels, and face cloths. The dish towel that does double duty as a hand towel

and all-purpose mop-up cloth is a flagrant germ spreader.

In kitchens and in bathrooms constantly used by children, rolls of paper towels, wall-mounted push-button liquid-soap dispensers, and paper cups will improve family health.

Supplying separate bath towels and wash cloths and training each child in the family to respect one another's rights to personal towels and wash cloths are an important part of any home hygiene program.

Hampers used to hold soiled clothes should be washed with hot water, soap, or detergent once a week, then aired, to retard the growth of bacteria and mildew which thrive on soil and moisture.

When it comes to actually destroying germs that may be breeding on bathroom or kitchen floors, the proper household cleanser is one of the disinfectants sold in liquid, powder, or spray form and used precisely according to the directions on the container. Bathroom floors, including crevices where baseboard and floor meet, should be wiped up with hot water, soap, or detergent every day, and scrubbed once a week. It is important here to check on the type of flooring you have. Some types do not take kindly to excessive scrubbing and water. For children's bathrooms, choose a material which is impervious to water and scrubbing.

During the weekly floor scrubbing clean the grouts between wall tiles where dirt and germs collect.

In the kitchen, floor covering, counter tops, and walls should all be scrubbable. Keep flooring and counter surfaces in good repair to avoid cracks and worn spots which collect food particles, dust, and grime.

Give special attention to condiment shelves or cabinets—promptly washing dribbles or smears from catsup bottles, mustard containers, and liquid seasonings—as well as dust from powdered spices.

Suds-sponge canisters frequently to prevent dust from sifting into dry contents such as sugar, flour, and coffee. Clean the bread box once a week—more often in warm weather—to keep it free of mold and crumbs. Can openers should be cleaned after each use. The range and refrigerator should be cleaned weekly.

The kitchen garbage container should be emptied daily and washed with hot water and detergent once a week. An automatic garbage disposer is really the most sanitary method.

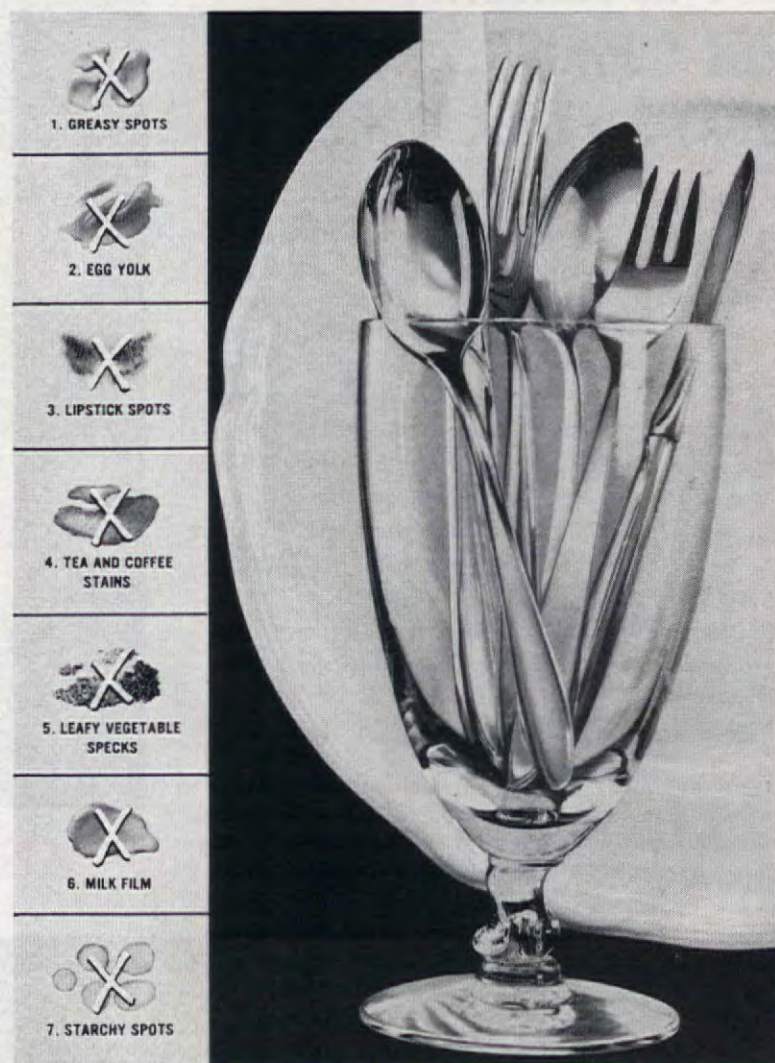
The broom closet should be kept clean and orderly. Mops, brooms, brushes, cloths, and pails should be washed and allowed to dry after each use. It is a good idea to disinfect sponges and sponge mops and allow them to dry before putting them away.

Discard any cracked dishes and chipped porcelain cooking vessels promptly to prevent decay and bacteria from food particles which collect in cracks and crevices.

Rugs and carpets supply an excellent home for germs and (continued)

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(continued) dirt. Picture the dirt being taken from the vacuum cleaner bag and dumped on your living room floor. Then mentally pick up a broom and spread it evenly over the entire rug. Now imagine a child playing on hands and knees in the middle of that dirty rug. Tests have proved that a teaspoonful of

ordinary house dirt collected by a vacuum cleaner may contain as many as five million germs.

While pointing at the kitchen as the focal point for the spread of many family infections, hygienists insist that our kitchens actually can be kept more easily germ free than other parts of the home.

The automatic dishwasher has been proved to be a highly effective killer and disposer of disease germs. Laboratory tests have repeatedly demonstrated that the machines remove bacteria and viruses from dishes, silverware, and glasses far more thoroughly than any form of hand-washing. Dishes dried in a

dishwasher are far more germ free than those dried with hand towels or left standing in a drip rack.

The key to getting the most germ-killing action out of your dishwasher rests in temperature. Too many people assume they are actually getting 140-165° F. temperature. To be sure you are getting the correct germ-destroying temperature have hot water checked by your plumber or appliance serviceman.

It's long been known that soiled clothing is a common route of infection for illness. Recently it's been established that staph germs are liberated more regularly and to a greater degree from human clothing than from sneezing or coughing. Numerous communicable diseases have been shown to be transmitted by articles ranging from handkerchiefs to woolen blankets. Yet, ironically, the majority of automatic washing machines in the United States are reported to be installed in kitchens where, of course, they are in close proximity to food and food handlers. If possible, you should plan to have a laundry or utility area away from the kitchen.

To render soiled clothes germ free, the usual recommended temperature for "hot water" is 140° F. While housewives assume that the water in their washing machines is hot enough to kill germs, surveys have shown that "hot water" in home washers is often no hotter than 120-130° F.

Furthermore, many modern synthetic fabrics must be laundered in "warm water" and dried at low temperatures in order to maintain a better appearance and longer life.

At a recent American Home Laundry Manufacturers' Association conference it was stated that the chief reason for poor laundry results was insufficient hot water.

One speaker commented, "Unlike an anemic-looking cake which alerts a homemaker to have her oven checked, a poor wash, even when visible, does not send a woman to check on water temperature and in the case of apparently clean clothes, it would never occur to her."

If, because of insufficient hot water, or because fabrics must be washed in "warm water," some machines are not functioning at germ-killing temperatures, what precautions can be taken to rid clothes of bacteria and viruses?

The answer, some bacteriologists believe, (continued on page 76)

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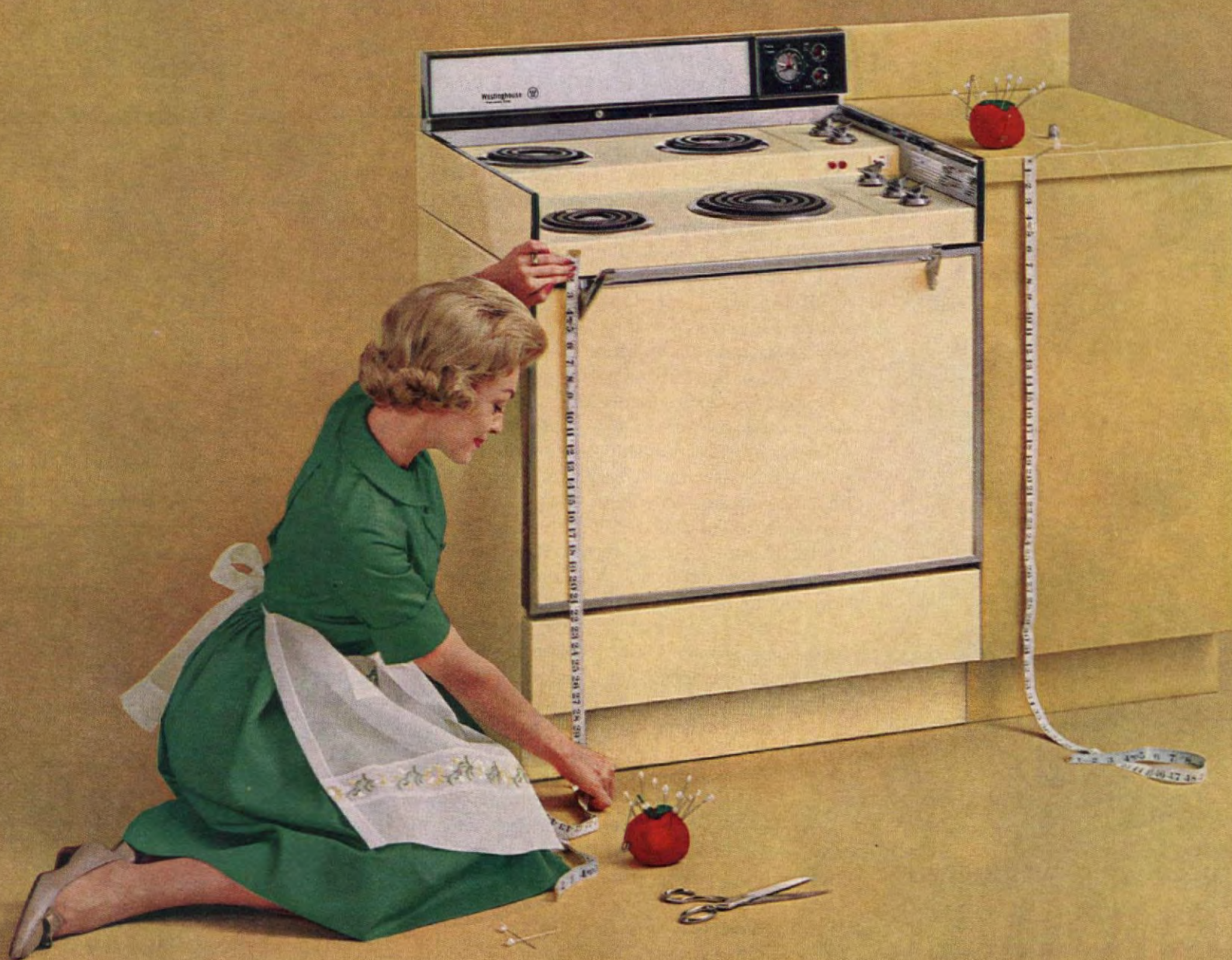


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**TEAMWORK
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A lesson in how close co-operation between the builder and owners (and children!) can enrich family life in a new community.

In some new developments, owners and builders get along fine; in others, they don't. But in one \$15-\$25,000 development, Blue Ridge, in Monroe, Connecticut, they get along so well they pinch themselves now and then just to make sure. This is the result of a remarkable new group idea you might call the owner-builder *teamwork* association.

Blue Ridge is an attractive group of homes, but when the first families moved in they felt lonely, resented by the town—as newcomers often do—and at the mercy of an unknown builder and something called "The Gould Realty Company," which sounded cold and unfriendly.

But today, after three years, the Blue Ridge story is one of a friendly relationship that borders on real affection. Here a builder named Harry Gould is putting up 200 homes in a nice meadow-woodland setting. It's his first project; he has wisely kept the trees and now proudly calls it "Blue Ridge Estates." Gould went at it with a unique idea: he'd plow five per cent of his profit and ten per cent of his effort into community good will.

All this is paying off so well that in spite of inevitable new-home problems, the whole community threw a feast for Gould and gave him a plaque inscribed: "To Harry in appreciation."

One day not long ago Gould returned the compliment. His truck loaded with young dogwood trees drove up to each of the 90 homes now occupied. "With Harry's compliments," said the driver. "Take all you want, and if you need a back-hoe to dig the holes Harry will send the tractor around." It took several truck trips to meet the demand. In all, Gould passed around 500 free dogwoods, and when they bloom Blue Ridge will be a showplace.

There have been problems, but as a direct result of this good will, owners say, the community has become a place of extraordinary vitality, enjoyment, and high morale.

How does a community get on such good terms with its builder—and with itself?

While part of the answer lies in Gould, even more lies in the extraordinary Blue Ridge Estates Association. The idea began with two owners, steel company representative Edwin Emmons and teacher Donald Cramer, who moved in when the first few houses opened in 1960.

The Emmonses had lived in Peekskill, New York, where they had seen a good civic association at work. But Cramer and Emmons felt that today's communities, especially the new ones, needed something more than the usual civic or taxpayer groups, good though they may be.

"Things happen so fast now," they say, "that you need an association that's on its feet all the time and ready to nip problems before they get serious. It's got to be a seven-days-a-week, 24-hours-a-day association, always looking ahead." And it's got to bridge three gaps in a friendly way: (1) among owners, (2) between owners and builder, and (3) between owners and town. (continued on page 27)

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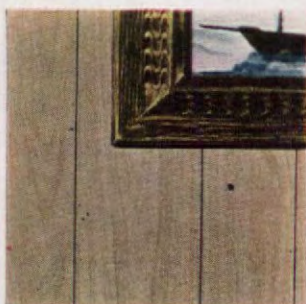
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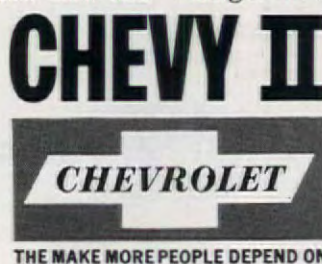


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Teamwork Association

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Without such an association to give spirit and backbone, they feel, even the best community may drift and eventually deteriorate.

The founders felt that such an association should even arbitrate if asked. They also wanted a group that would work with some imagination to beautify the community, create fun for children, keep values up, and make an interesting place for adults to live.

When the idea came to a vote, all but two of the 30 families then in Blue Ridge were enthusiastic. "What inspired most of us," says Mrs. Norman Smith, a young wife, "was the hope we could do something for our children. We didn't realize until later how much we would also be doing for ourselves."

First, the group measured its own talent. A poll showed there were, among the husbands, a lawyer (who agreed to donate his services to the association), two surveyors, several men skilled at carpentry, and some engineers. With this talent, the association was formed and Gould was invited to the first meeting.

No one knew Gould very well then. The officers frankly explained, "We want to work with you, not against you. It's going to take patience and co-operation on both sides. But we may be able to do you some good too. Will you help us?"

"Well, you're giving me a good living," he said, "and I'd be crazy not to help you." Then he added, "But you'd better incorporate the association for your own protection."

"Just as soon as our wives run a bake sale and raise \$75 for the fee," Cramer said.

"Forget it," Gould said. "Use the money for something else. Here's a send-off gift." He wrote them out a check for \$75.

With its builder as an honorary member, the association now awaited its first problem. It didn't have to wait very long.

The school bus. State Route 25, an old-fashioned two-lane road, runs past Blue Ridge. One day an owner turning into the development had an accident. On another day a car whizzed dangerously close to 30 Blue Ridge children waiting by the narrow road for the town of Monroe's school bus.

As taxpayers in the township, owners felt the Monroe bus should come into Blue Ridge. The Association asked Gould to arrange this and also to ask the state to post a "No Passing" zone at the entrance. The state agreed to the "No Passing" zone, but when Gould brought up the bus problem informally he ran into opposition.

Builder Gould reported back to the association, and the officers said, "If you'll try once more, we'll go with you."

Gould now called on school officials, and this time a delegation of determined fathers went with him. The

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fathers argued forcefully that it was dangerous for 30 children to huddle by a busy road—and the board agreed. Next day the bus came in—and today a co-operative school board has arranged four stops in Blue Ridge's two miles of streets.

Wet basements. No sooner had the bus matter been settled than another problem arose—the first one involving builder Gould directly. As it does in many new developments, water from a mysterious source began getting into basements.

Normally, an owner notifies his builder orally or in writing and this can be embarrassing and frustrating, especially to an owner who has no knowledge of drainage. But the Blue Ridge owners took their problem to the association and it investigated. Some water might be coming from underground springs swollen by unusually heavy snows—now melting. But some seemed to be coming from a high, undrained slope.

The association apprehensively took the problem to Gould. If it expected an argument it was disappointed. Gould promptly agreed to install and pay for special drains.

Drab lawns. After the first winter, the lawns looked skimpy and disheveled. Some owners were faster than others to "fix-up" for spring.

Everybody knew that even one or two who might fail to get busy early could hurt everyone by spoiling the appearance of the community. Over coffee, the officers asked Gould, "How can we beat that problem? If we say anything, someone may get mad, and we don't want to start that."

Gould said, "If you'll run a contest I'll back you up with prizes."

The spurt of pride that followed is one of the best things that could happen to any community. A contest was announced by the association's young newspaper, *The Echo*. There would be prizes for "best lawn," "prettiest flower beds," "most attractive yard," and "unique improvement." The judging was set for a Sunday afternoon in June.

"On Saturday," say Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Emmons, who wrote it up for *The Echo*, "there was an explosion of activity. The whole place was a beehive. Every lawnmower was buzzing. You could hear clippers and trimmers. Everyone was raking, scrubbing, painting."

It was a hard contest to judge. Lawns and yards looked beautiful. Some had expected candy and cigars for prizes. Instead, Gould gave a power mower, vacuum cleaner, floor polisher, lawn furniture—16 gifts in all.

To encourage still more improvements the association now decided to buy fertilizer in \$200 lots and sell it to members at a saving of 50c a bag. Next, it found it could also save money for its members by large purchases of peatmoss, grass, flowers, seed. It even found a grower who agreed to sell \$7 shrubs for \$3.50—if the men would come dig them up.

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Bargaining. Its new know-how in bargaining now began to be put to more good use by the association. Last summer a plague of canker worms hung from trees on messy threads, and even got into houses. Elsewhere, many owners paid \$25 to have their trees sprayed. In Blue Ridge, the association was able to

obtain a contract rate: \$10 per member.

And next winter, when other owners are paying \$4 and \$5 (and more) to have driveways plowed, the association members will get plowing for \$3 per snowstorm, thanks to a contract rate. Two or three years from now, when the time comes to clean septic tanks, the associa-

tion hopes to cut the usual \$25 rate by half for its members.

Good feeling. One association aim has been to keep friendliness in Blue Ridge. "Some people like activities more than others," says Gomer Davies, now president of the association, "and naturally not everyone wants to participate in

everything we do. That's as it should be. Nevertheless, we try to keep anybody here from being just that guy next door. We encourage plain friendliness—and patience."

The best tool for this, the association has found, is its newspaper, *The Echo*. Published once a month (in a member's playroom) it, more than anything else, sets the tone for the community. It is bright, newsy, and never gossips.

When something goes wrong, owners now tell *The Echo*. Example: last winter, when children threw rocks that froze in the ice and spoiled the skating pond, *The Echo* said, "Please keep the pond clean. Rocks and sticks freeze into the ice."

"Next morning on my way shopping," Mrs. Smith says, "I saw small boys out cleaning up the pond. I don't know who sent them but there they were."

Recreation. When the fathers of Blue Ridge set out to build a bus shed and skating shelter for their children, builder Gould sent down \$200 worth of free lumber. That was just the beginning.

Gould had offered the town of Monroe 10 acres of forest land for recreation. Strapped for funds, as all towns are, and fighting to hold taxes down, Monroe declined it because some felt the town could not afford to maintain it.

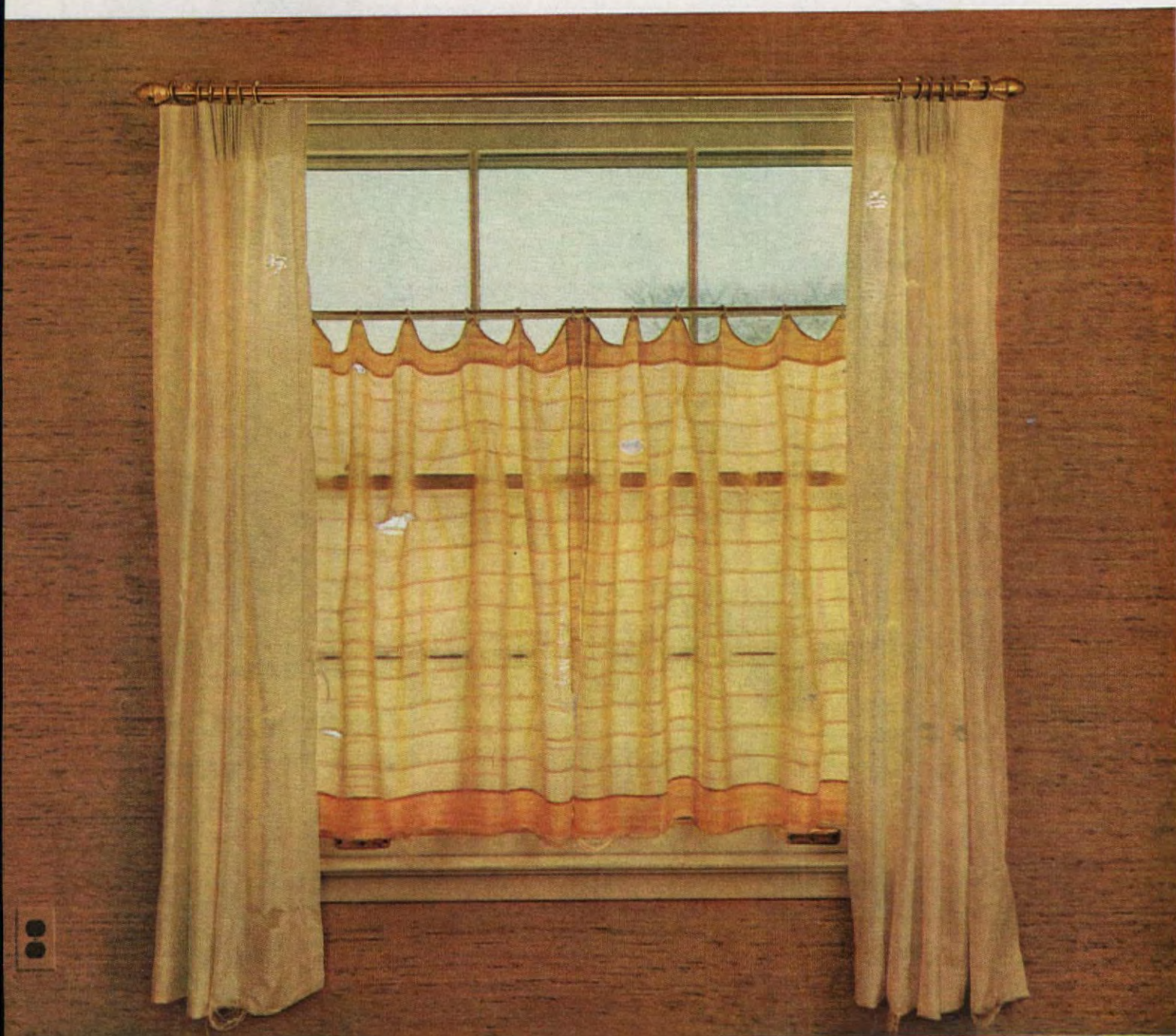
So Gould offered the land to the Blue Ridge Association—"if you want it and will develop a park." The association jumped at the chance to get it.

This spring, the association is the proud owner of 10 acres—in two tracts—in which the members will build a lake, clubhouse, playground, picnic area, trails, baseball diamond, tennis courts, and other facilities.

But in a master stroke, the association offered one section of park to its teen-agers "to develop as you see fit." The teen-agers will plan what they want, make their own improvements, and run their own park. Parental guidance will be strictly from the sidelines.

Activities. The families who founded the association had feared boredom. Today there are so many things going on that there are interests for everyone: discussion meetings over coffee, family group picnics in back yards along the Blue Ridge brook, garden talks, parties for children.

The mothers now are arranging with a nearby academy
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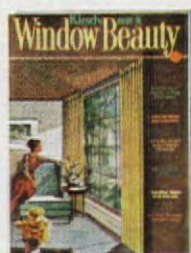
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ROBERT W. HOUSEMAN

AMERICAN & BEAUTIFUL

A salute to the new all-American look that's sweeping the world of home fashions

American design is coming of age. After years of looking back over our shoulders or across the ocean, an all-American decorating look is emerging that's as easy to spot as our high-powered cars, gleaming refrigerators, and fresh-faced women.

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What makes this new look strictly Stars and Stripes? It's everything you think of when you think of American living. It's colorful, informal, luxurious, super-efficient, outgoing, hospitable, uninhibited, and very independent. It's no accident, no arbitrary brain-child of the drawing boards, but the natural outgrowth of the way we eat and sleep, and work and play.

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The American look is furniture of incredibly good design and high quality for the money—furniture with a new hand-crafted look even though mass-produced—cabinet pieces with marvelous new finishes to make housekeeping even easier—upholstered pieces with new slimmer, trimmer lines due to molded foam and streamlined springs.

The American look is fabrics in a million colors, patterns, and textures. It's man-made (continued on page 91)



AMERICAN & LUXURY LOVING

This handsome extra wash-up area in the corner of a master bedroom puts an end to morning bottlenecks. Above, it's serenely enclosed behind colorful panels of the same supple acrylic fiber that gives the draperies such a beautiful "hang." Elegant wall covering of worry-free vinyl looks like watered silk. Note the indulgent form-fitting chair, handsome ready-made bedspread, and lush carpet of long-lived continuous filament nylon. Left, the pretty bath appointments of the wash stand include towels to match the glamorous bed linens. Exciting accessories are all American designs.

AMERICAN & NATURE LOVING. Even inside our homes, we never quite leave the great outdoors behind. In this open-minded dining room, only a glass wall separates the vibrant blue and green interior scheme from the landscaped garden beyond. The furniture shows our great and growing interest in the natural color and texture

of fine woods. Draperies are printed in a stylized pattern of birds and flowers. Of natural cotton with a new permanent finish, they'll keep their vivid color come sunshine or laundry bleach. Brilliant fringed rug is luxurious, long-wearing acrilan pile, comes ready-made in unusual octagon shape, as well as round or oval, and in carpeting by the yard.



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Whether we call it a family room, TV room, or game room, more and more Americans are setting aside a special room for casual entertaining. Here you'll find functionalism in full flower. The lean, leisure-loving furniture was designed in warm honeyed teak. Rich vinyl upholstery on sofa looks wonderful, feels soft and luxurious but requires little care. Modular storage units can be added to or rearranged. Casement draperies have a suppleness and style once found only in costly imported linens, but this cotton, acetate, and rayon blend sells for about \$3 a yard. Bold vinyl tiles brighten the floor. Hospitable buffet table at right is set with durable but style-conscious stainless steel flatware, melamine plastic dinnerware, and gay, washable linens.



American and Beautiful ideas are on display in these fine stores: Breuner's, Northern California; Bullock's, Inc., Los Angeles; Foley Bros., Inc., Houston; The J. L. Hudson Company, Detroit; The Paine Furniture Company, Boston; Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney, Inc., St. Louis; W. & J. Sloane, Inc., New York; Wieboldt Stores, Inc., Chicago.



AMERICAN & PLENTY-FOR-THE-MONEY

The million-dollar look that's written all over these pages is found in non-millionaires' homes all over the country. On this page, left, a dining room is furnished with typically casual chic. The furniture is sleek, tailored, "architected" rather than ornamented. Well-polished veneers are an element in the decorating. Contributing to the glow: a soaring contemporary candelabra, a vivid woven wall hanging. Below, a dramatic headboard of slim, shining wood slats gives the bedroom out-of-the-ordinary elegance. The quilted spread, once the height of extravagance, is ready-made.

The living room on the opposite page gleams with luxury in the American idiom. Furniture is clean-lined but softly inviting, offering comfort without bulk. The credenza combines the rich tone of walnut with oak panels, hardware is simple with hand-crafted look. There's more luxury underfoot in the wall-to-wall carpeting, and on the walls with their handsome plywood paneling. A distinctive arched cupboard and hospitable tables add to the warmth. Brightly painted wall sets off one large painting.



Designer: Tom Lehne of Cannell & Chaffin Photographer: Horst Ahlberg

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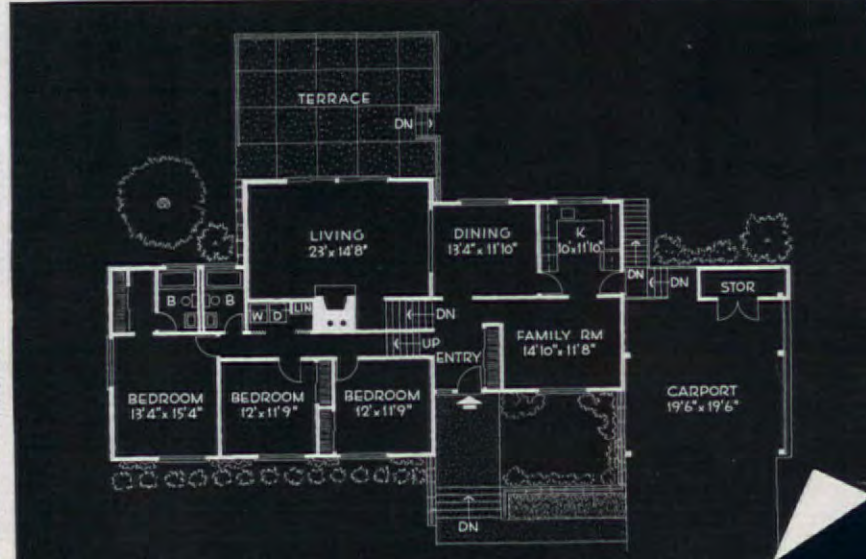
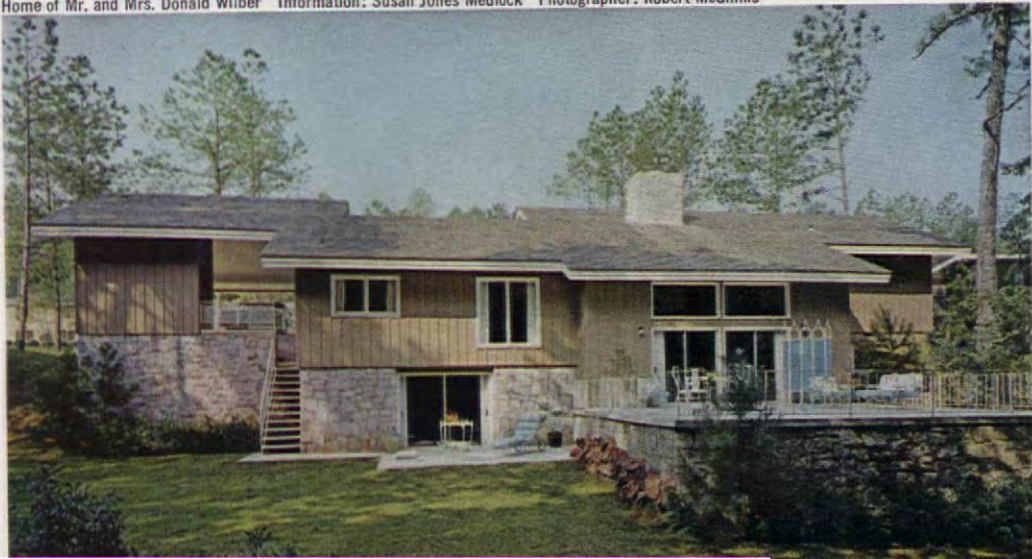
ALAN C. BORG

BUILDER'S HOUSE SOLVES A SITE PROBLEM

Very often a piece of land in a good area is bypassed because it appears to be impossible to build on. The reason: difficult terrain. Usually the difficulty can be turned into an asset in the hands of an imaginative architect. Such was the case when Marshall Whidby, a builder in Atlanta, Georgia, spotted a site that was desirable in all aspects except that it had a 16-foot drop-off at the building line. Not wanting to give up the land—which he could get at a reasonable price because of this so-called “fault”—Whidby took the problem to architect Walter T. Carry. By designing a house that stepped down the hill in four levels, Carry achieved an excellent house-land relationship that provides both the living room and the lower-level playroom with separate terraces. Working just as well inside, the design creates a well-zoned house with an exciting two-story living room.



Home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wilber Information: Susan Jones Medlock Photographer: Robert McGinnis



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PLAN YOUR BACK-YARD GARDEN WITH YOUR FAMILY'S NEEDS IN MIND

There's an important difference between a back-yard and a front-yard garden. The front yard you share with your community, but the back yard is completely your own. The only logical way to design it, therefore, is with your family's interests exclusively in mind and with the idea of getting as much enjoyment out of your property as you can.

Start with the one feature that's all-important in most well-planned contemporary gardens—a good-size paved area for relaxation and outdoor entertaining. Plan it so that it's easily accessible from the house and is the dominant element of the overall garden design. Then go on to develop the rest of the garden layout so that it will satisfy most of

your family's wants from early spring until late fall.

Make lots of rough sketches, keeping things in scale, and get all the suggestions you can from nurserymen and experienced gardeners. See page 93 for ideas on how to go about making sketches. If you're a perfectionist, have a landscape architect prepare your final plans.

On these pages you'll find practical ideas for quite a few types of back-yard plans. The striking overhead views—of gardens in New York, Michigan, and California—were taken from an 85-foot crane and show you exactly how the principal back-yard area is related to the house and to the surrounding property. All these yards are small.





Ernest Silva



BUILD YOUR GARDEN AROUND A PATIO

An elevated patio that adjoins the house can be the central feature of your garden. The one here at the home of the Robert Sterns, Woodmere, Long Island, New York, is constructed of bricks set in sand and bounded by railroad-tie retaining walls on the sides and by a grass slope at the front. Privacy is provided by redwood panels, 'Shademaster' locust trees, and various shrubs. A small waterlily pool and several plant groupings add decorative effects to the immediate surroundings. The patio is encircled by lawn and the property line is planted with an irregular border of evergreen and flowering trees, shrubs, and groundcover plants. Bulbs provide color in spring, annuals in summer, and chrysanthemums in fall.

The design of the patio, plant groupings, lawn, and part of the perimeter planting are seen in the overhead view on the opposite page. More detailed views of the area are at the left.

Mr. and Mrs. Stern had several things in mind when they engaged landscape architect Allan F. Dalsimer to design the garden. They wanted plenty of outdoor living area close to the house, privacy from adjoining properties, a view of the water across part of the property line, and a pleasant garden around their home that wouldn't be too difficult to maintain. They got everything they wanted and in even more attractive form than they had hoped for!

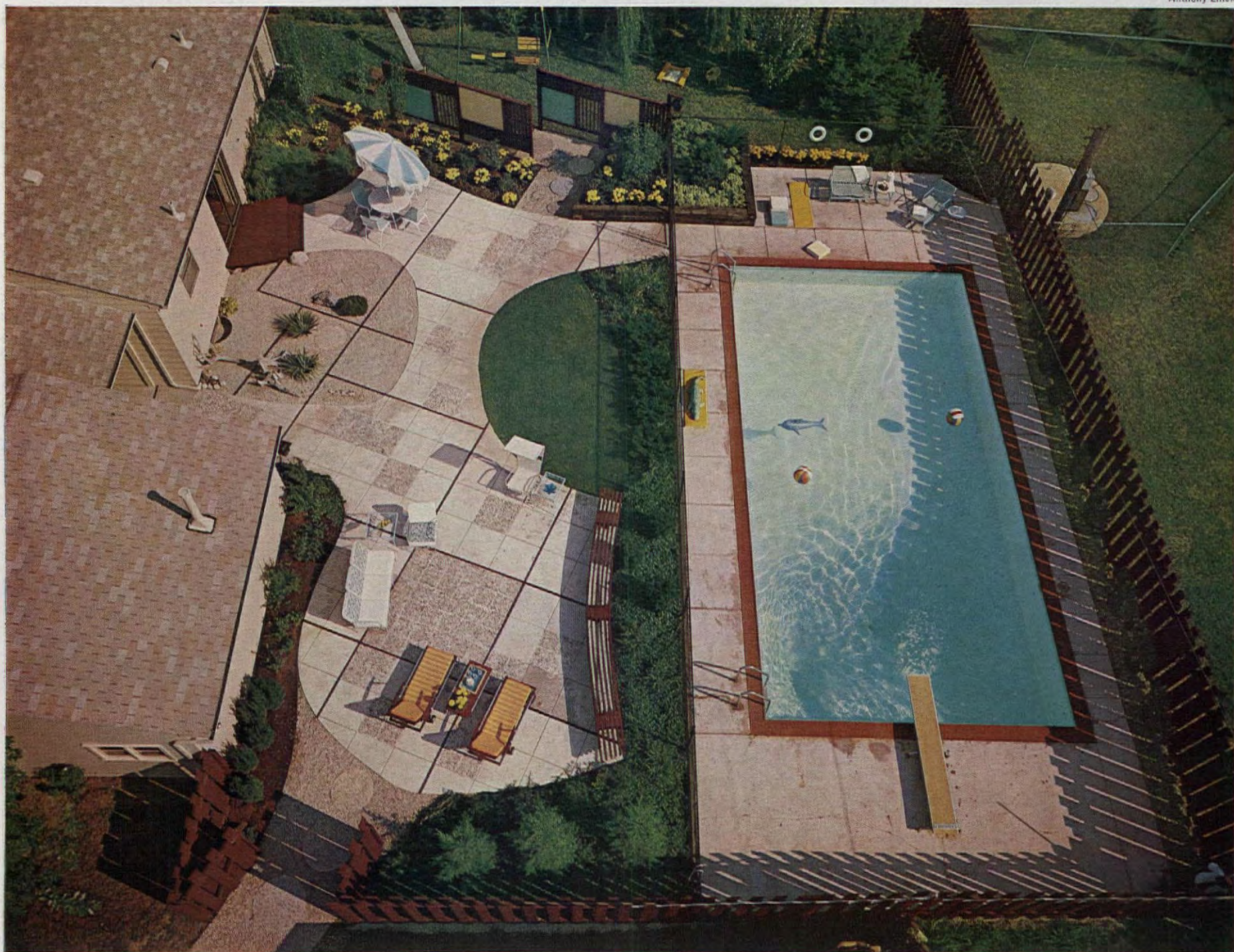
BACK-YARD RECREATION CENTER

If you'd like all the outdoor fun of a beach club or a weekend cottage, but would rather stay home, here's a way out of your dilemma. It's the pride and joy of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Andrews, Lansing, Michigan, who have to stay home weekends because of Mr. Andrews' law practice. Instead of a cottage, they invested in a complete, family-style recreation center right in their own back yard. The plan was prepared by Jack Drew of Drew and Skidmore, landscape architects, and the Andrews did the contracting and much of the construction work and planting themselves.

You see the outdoor living area at the right and the entire back yard in the overhead view below. Features of Mr. Drew's plan that especially appeal to Mr. and Mrs. Andrews are the exposed-aggregate squares and rounds that relieve the monotony of concrete, several interesting gravel areas (including a small desert garden), fiber-glass panel screens, the small lawn, and the curvilinear plantings of easy-to-maintain evergreen shrubs and flowering plants.



Anthony Linck



SECLUSION ON A CORNER PROPERTY

Here's proof that you can have a restful atmosphere and complete privacy even if your patio has to be located close to the street. This delightfully secluded spot occupies a corner of the property of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. King, Belvedere, California, and is part of the garden design created by Royston, Hanamoto, Mayes, and Beck. The brick paving extends about 25' in each direction and is bordered on the left with a planting of agapanthus, small dahlias, geraniums, and various needled and broadleaved evergreens. The space between the fence and the sidewalk, seen at the top of the picture, is planted with ivy and a few specimen evergreens. This is the more secluded, intimate section of the Kings' two-part garden. On the other side of the house, which faces a lagoon, they have a 30-foot pool, a larger paved area, and a variety of tree and shrub plantings.



AN OUTDOOR ROOM ADJOINING THE HOUSE

If you'd like a small, private sitting area close to your house, here's a perfect model. It's only 11x18' and adjoins the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Contrael in Crestwood, Missouri. It's enclosed by a 7' plank fence, with a raised planter around the inside, and is covered by an arbor supporting several wisteria vines. It can be viewed from the windows and a door. Mr. Contrael designed it himself.



A SUNKEN GARDEN MAY SOLVE A SITE PROBLEM

Irregular terrain may present a garden-design problem. But chances are you can turn it into an asset. A sunken garden, for instance, is likely to be far more pleasant as an outdoor living area than a flat patio. So if the ground slopes upward from your house, why not make the most of it and aim at something like the arrangement pictured at the left? It's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris in San Francisco and was designed by John Vogley, landscape architect. The terraced retaining walls are redwood painted yellow; the paving is brick; and the plantings include evergreen shrubs, groundcovers (strawberry, rosemary, gazania), staked albizzia tree, a clematis vine on the fence, and dwarf camellias at lower right.



Phil Palmer

PATIO IN A LAWN-AND-GARDEN SETTING

A patio like this one at the rear of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Quinn's home in Green Brae, California, will provide you with a spacious area for relaxation in an attractive garden setting. It was designed by Henry Cole, landscape architect. Concrete pavement joins a redwood deck at one end, seen at upper left, and reaches out around a small lawn at the other. In the sunny part of the border planting, color is provided by marigolds and geraniums; in shady part, by begonias.



Lyman Emerson



PLAY YARD IN CORNER OF PROPERTY

A children's play area, with permanent swings and climbing apparatus, is located in the corner of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Litz' well-landscaped property in St. Louis, Missouri. It's the kind of children's domain that any young family's garden is likely to need. The playground is covered with smooth-peggle gravel, bordered with railroad ties, and is shaded by several trees. Though set off by itself, it allows keeping an eye on the children from both the house and the patio. The garden was designed by Suburbia Gardens Nursery.



IF YOU HAVE A CONTEMPORARY HOUSE, HERE'S AN ARGUMENT FOR A LANAI!

Nylon-panel screening provides overhead protection but lets the sun filter onto Al Vallejo's lanai in Montebello, California. Redwood is worked into a simple design to dramatize the white asbestos sheeting of the wall. Redwood decks float on a base of gravel, accented by cement rounds and

squares. A small pool, fountain, and plantings of schefflera, cordyline, and liriopse soften the stark Japanese lines of this delightful extension of the living room. When you entertain outdoors, you will appreciate the elegant informality of this type of patio. It was designed by Robert Ramirez.

PERSONALIZE YOUR HOME WITH PAINT

When choosing a color to paint their homes, how many families rely on what is popular or on personal preference or just play it safe with traditional white? White, of course, is lovely on any style of house, but why not be different? Give your house a personality of its own. Be a little daring. . . but be subtle. Granted, painting is an expensive procedure, and if you make a mistake it will be a costly one. But go about it in the right way and your home will be a handsome reflection of your own good taste.

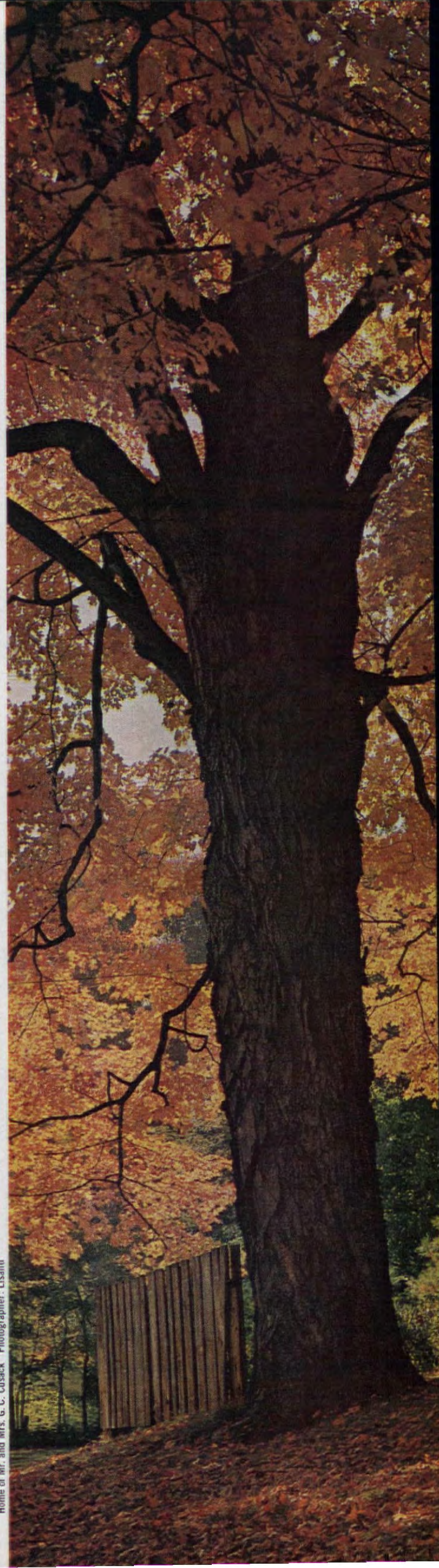
Personal preference is an important part of selecting an exterior paint color but it is only a part. There are many factors to consider. For one thing, take a look at your neighborhood. Notice the houses on either side of yours and across the street. Would the color you have in mind harmonize with them?

Think of your house and yard as you would if you were painting a picture. What type of trees do you have—evergreen or deciduous? Will the color you choose look as pretty when the trees are bare? Will the foundation plantings show up against a dark color? Will the color blend the house into its setting? Is there a fence or wall which can pick up the accent color?

Location and climate are factors too. The color you choose may not be a good one if your house receives direct sunlight—it might fade or appear a different shade than you had expected. If the house is surrounded by trees a bright color might emphasize it, or a dark color could enhance the natural setting. The climate you live in will influence you. In the hot South or Southwest, warm tones, particularly red, might not look comfortable and will not reflect the heat.

After you've considered the picture as a whole, examine the house itself. Is it well designed or are there architectural flaws which you must camouflage? If it's a small house there are ways to make it appear bigger. Paint it a light color. Don't outline it or use contrasting trim. Consider a light color for the roof. (There are very good roof paints on the market.) If your house is large you can have a freer hand to experiment with the trim. Examine the houses on this page and the two following ones. Notice how the colors blend with or dramatize the settings and how they accent the architectural lines, giving individuality.

Home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cusack. Photographer: Lisanti





Warm and inviting, this home spells "house in the country" as surely as if there were a sign on it. Notice how the warm colors in the stone wall pick up the red of the house. The lamppost painted the same color blends in naturally. Because the house is a dark color, the small touches of white at the windows give just enough sparkle to what might otherwise be a gloomy exterior. The color is also a natural choice for the early American salt-box design.



Home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Prins Photographer: Ezra Stoller Associates

Cool gray with no relief unites the components of this house giving it a very solid look. The pale gray provides an excellent background for all kinds of planting. It is interesting to observe that although there is a similarity in design to the house below and the one opposite, the treatment of all three houses is quite different. This points up the individuality it's possible to achieve by using color.



Home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene F. Bruyette Photographer: Lisanti

Sunshine yellow with a touch of sky blue makes this a cheerful house no matter what the weather. Here is a color choice which looks well when the trees are green, when they're in brilliant autumn dress, or even when they're dark silhouettes in winter. Windows are important in this house. Emphasized with contrasting shutters, they attract your attention to the crisp tie-back curtains, give you a pleasant taste of what you'll find inside.



Home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Mentzer Photographer: Lisanti



This small house has a picture-book quality that most small houses should have but don't. Here a soft mossy green color blends the house with the velvety green lawn. Fresh white shutters and door give a well-groomed look. The background color is perfect for the foundation planting. It blends into the evergreens with the brilliant red flowers supplying a complimentary accent; the white flowers picking up the trim of the house.



The natural look of well-seasoned wood, (achieved by using a stain) blends this house into its wooded setting. Painted white, such a large house could be too conspicuous. To relieve the large expanse of one color, the two doors are painted a soft robin's egg blue. One of the things to note in all these houses is the muted tones. No harsh basic colors or glaring combinations have been used.



Subtle and utterly charming, this home takes you right back to colonial days. The slate blue exterior matches in value the plum colored door. Both colors are repeated in the fine stone chimney. The narrow white outline of the windows is picked up by the picket fence. The soft coloring of the house provides an excellent background for the foliage surrounding it. In both this house and the red one notice how well the use of white is controlled.

IF YOU CAN'T BUILD IN, BUILD OUT!



Wide-open bookcase against paneled wall is more than a decorative eye-catcher. A two-drawer unit serves as an off-the-floor lamp table, leaving an unbroken field of carpet. The vertical poles unify and frame miscellaneous accessories; well-spaced shelves hold large volumes so difficult to accommodate in normal bookshelves and cupboards.

Designer: Arthur Elrod, A.I.D. Information: Barbara Lenox. Photographer: George de Gennaro

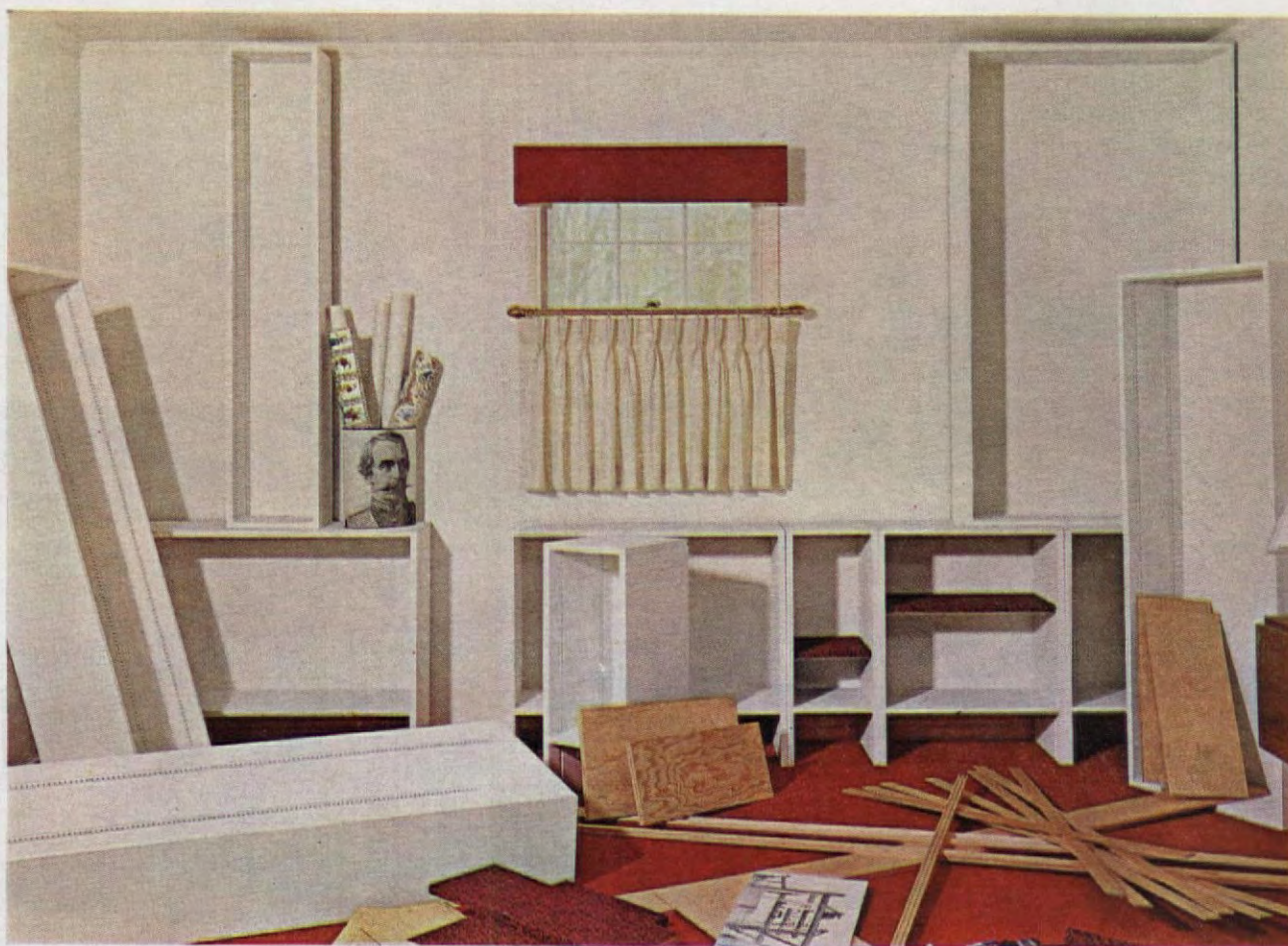
If your house didn't come equipped with built-ins, don't despair. Add your own. And don't overlook the beauty of built outs! Rather than closeting your books and bric-a-brac, built-outs make a decorative point of storing your possessions. Here are a host of ideas for built-in and built-out storage for everything from teacups to TV—including a functional storage wall you can build yourself.



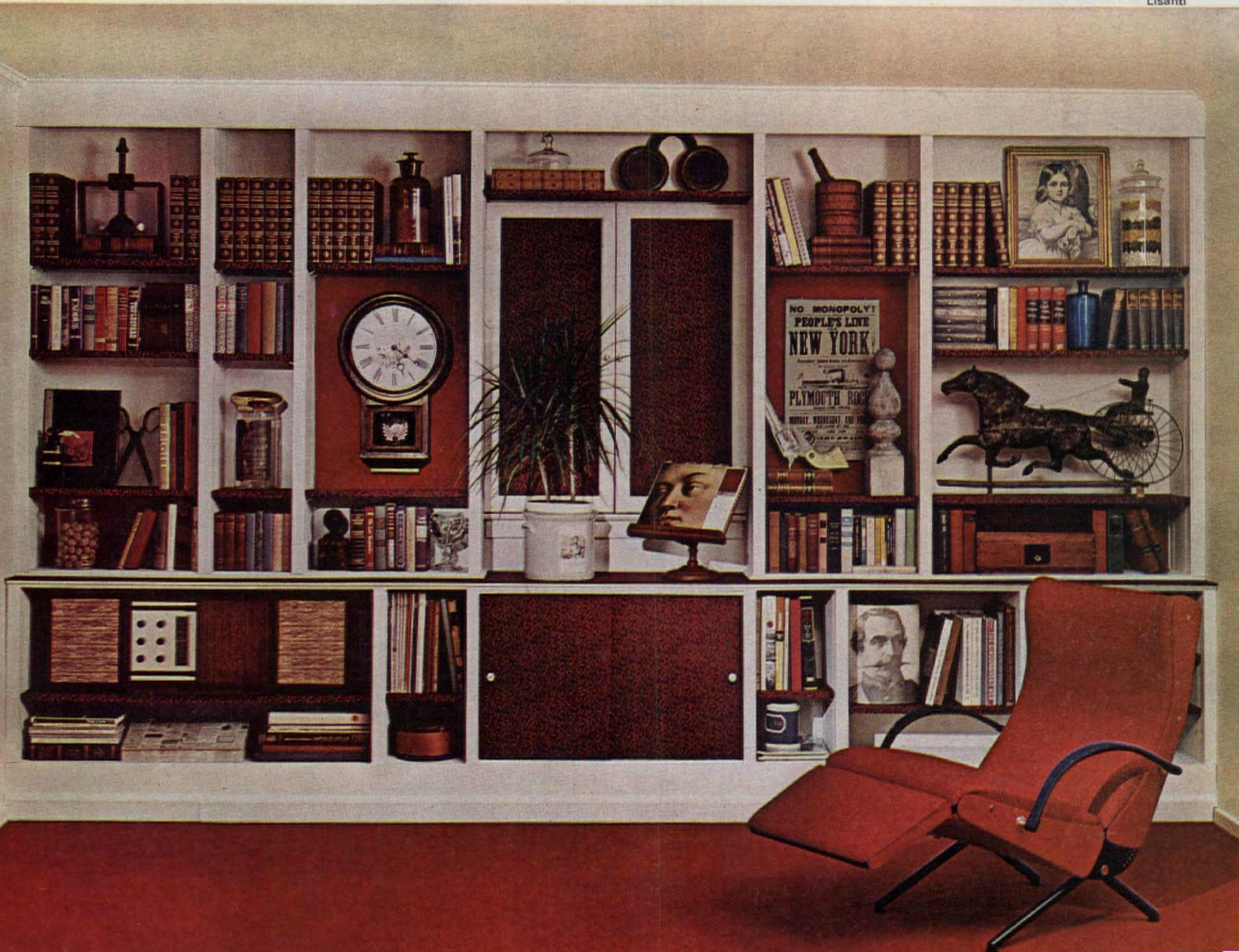
Generous provincial chest houses record player and stereo equipment. Used as an architectural part of the room, with overscaled accessories and decorative shelves above, chest fits into the comfortable country atmosphere in the Hillsdale, New Jersey, home of the Newton Sheldons. Large-scale leather chairs swivel to watch television which is at the opposite side of the room.

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Here are the before and after of a decorative storage wall you can build for under \$100. Empty end wall is put to work with well-planned component parts made in 1, 2, 3, and 4' widths. All component sections are fitted with metal stripping for adjustable shelves. The center base unit has a double wooden track top and bottom for sliding hard-board doors. Shelves are covered with fabric; but paint, adhesive vinyl, or wallpaper could be used. See opposite for complete construction information.

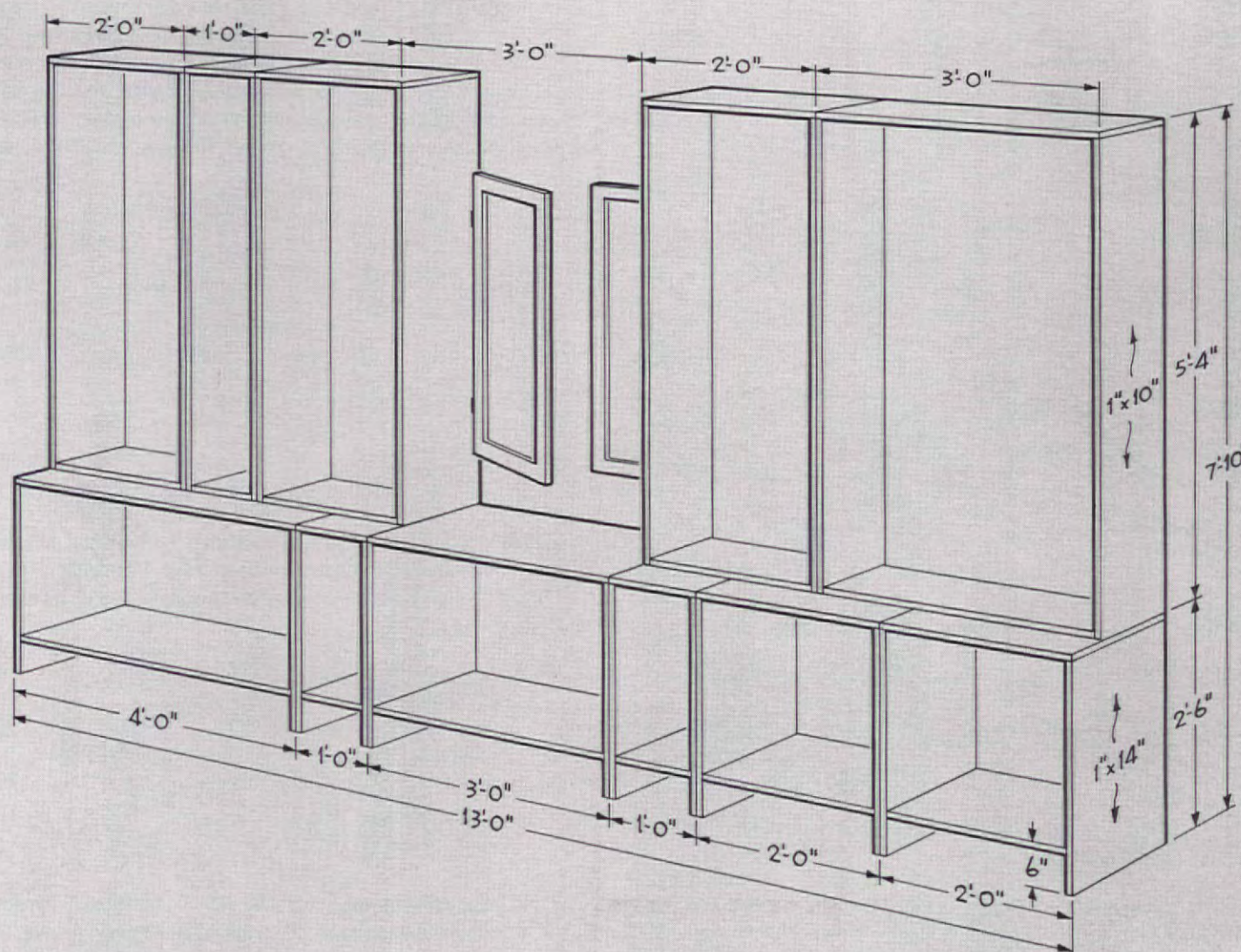


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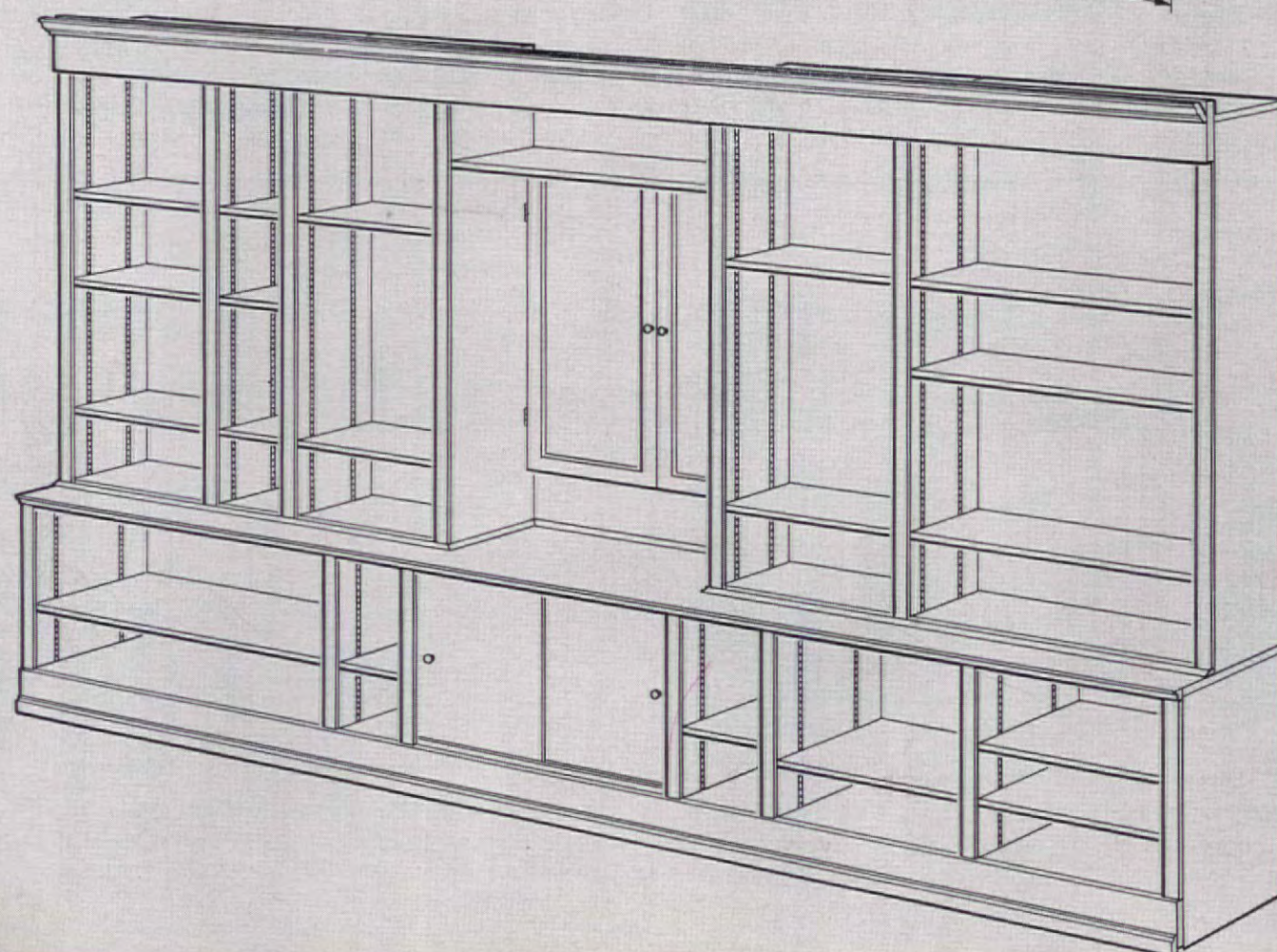
MOVABLE STORAGE WALL FACT SHEET

If the built-in look appeals to you, but the idea of something so permanent does not, this portable storage wall system may be the answer to your problems. Designed as individual "boxes" which can be precut at your lumberyard, they are easily assembled and finished at home. Modular sizes adapt them to almost any room.



BASIC UNITS JUST SIMPLE BOXES

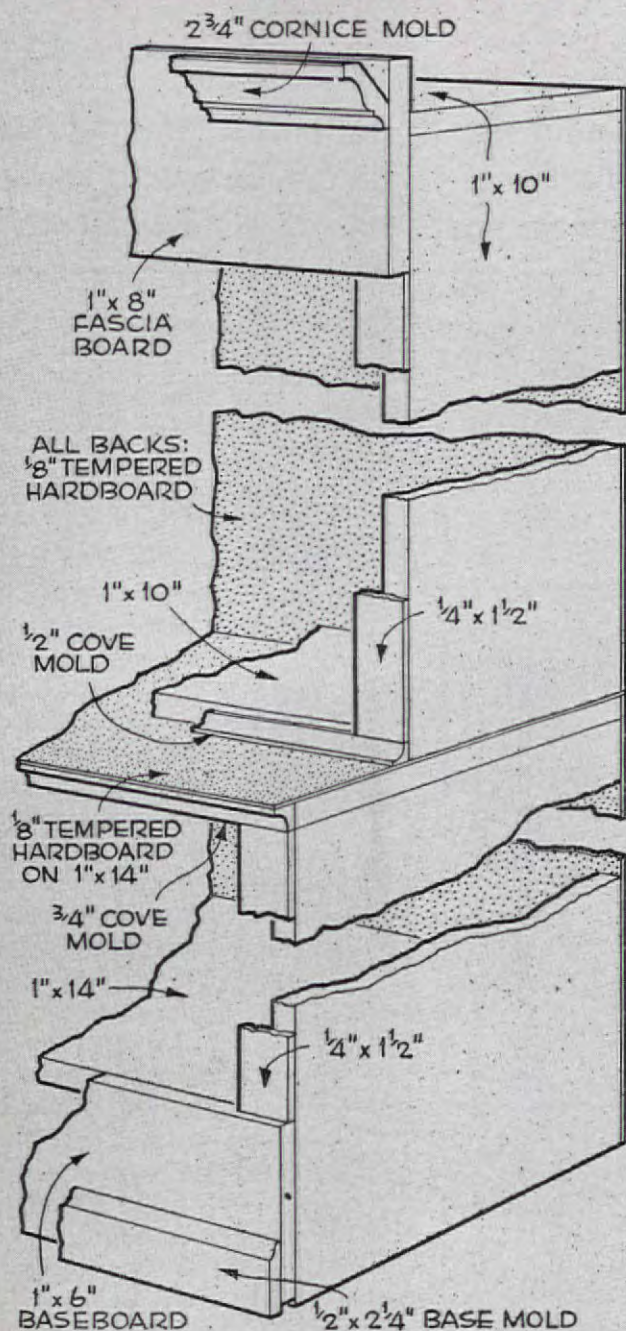
Two simple units—a base unit and an upper unit—make up the system. Base units are all 2'6" high and vary in width from 1' to 4'. The upper units are all 5'4" high and merely rest on the base units. Sketch left and photo opposite illustrate the basic simplicity of the system and show how portable the whole thing is. One of the most important features is that you don't have to attach it to the house itself. Our particular room was 13' wide, but you can make as many units as you need to complete a wall. While we used fir plywood which we painted, you might prefer #2 pine or a more expensive grade of plywood that can be finished like fine furniture.



TRIM TIES ALL UNITS TOGETHER

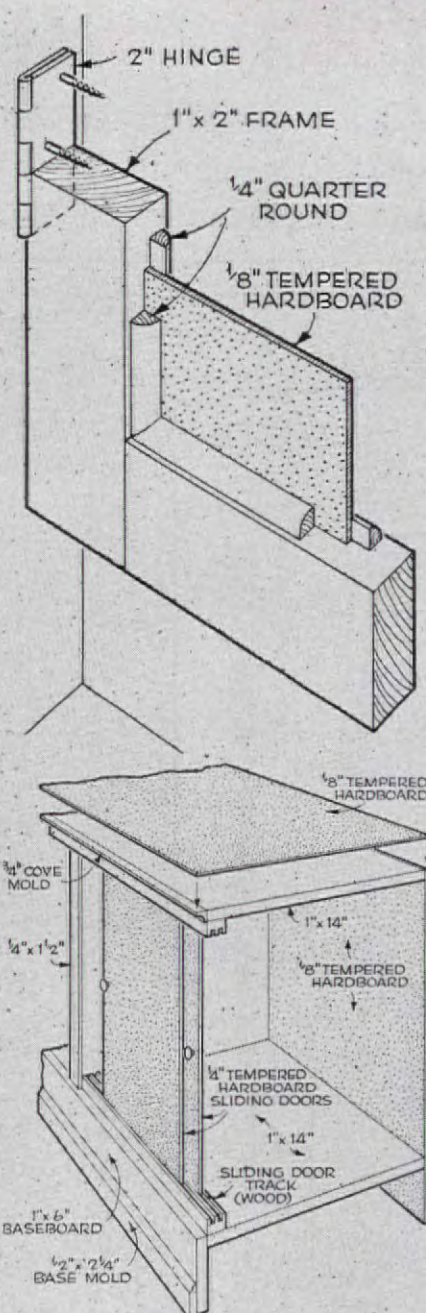
Sketch shows how the units are held together by trim pieces and moldings at top and bottom. These trim pieces give the units rigidity and a built-in appearance without actually fastening them to the walls or ceiling. Since most ceilings are 8' high, our units are made slightly under that to allow for variations and for installation. The fascia board and a cornice molding (see detail on next page) are applied close up to the ceiling to eliminate the gap. The colored panels shown were made by gluing felt to separate hardboard panels. They are tacked in place and can be changed at will. Shutters and the sliding doors were also covered in a similar fashion.

CUTAWAY REVEALS TRIM DETAILS

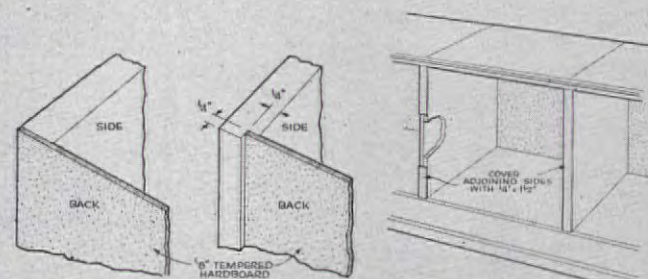


This cutaway drawing shows how the basic units are assembled in their final form. Note the hardboard that runs continuously over all the base units to form a smooth top. The baseboard and fascia board details are shown here as well as all other trim. Try to match the base mold and cornice board molding existing in your own house for the best appearance.

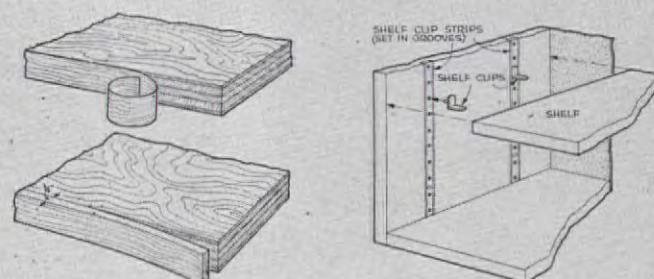
MISCELLANEOUS DETAILS TO NOTE



To make the shutters for the window, use 1 x 2 pine in a clear grade so there will be no knots in the wood. Join at the corners with glue and 2 1/2\" finish nails. The hardboard panels are held in place by 1/4\" quarter round moldings glued and nailed in place with small brads. If you plan to stain the units instead of painting them, use 1/8\" plywood instead of the hardboard. If there is no window on your wall, simply make another upper unit. In case you want to shut off some or all of the upper units use these same construction details to make all the doors.

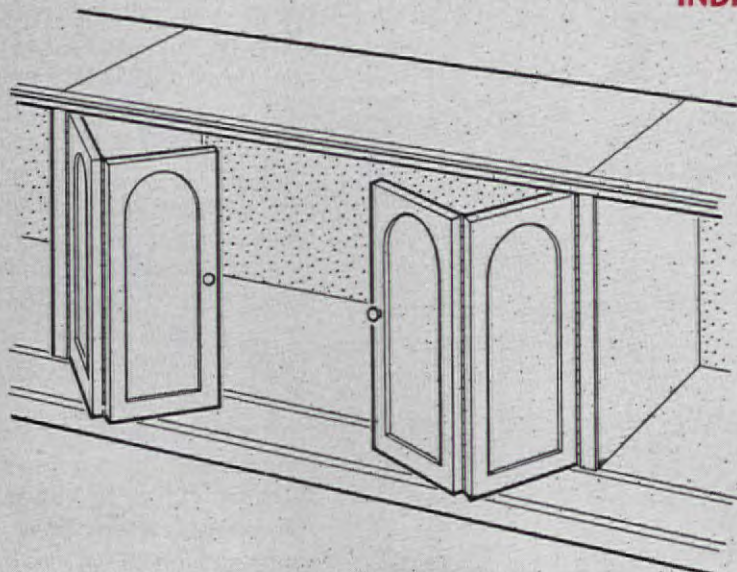


Hardboard backs can be applied in either manner shown, but the routed method in the middle is more professional. Trim covers joints where the units meet.

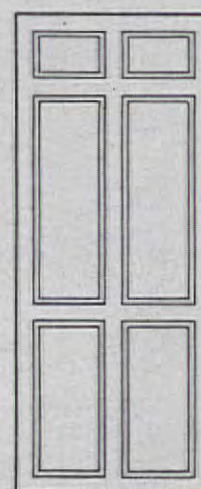
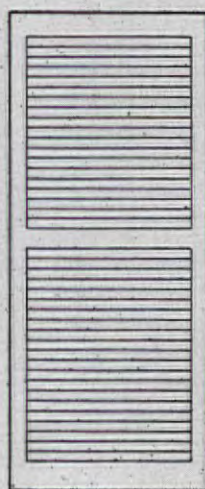


If you use plywood for the shelves instead of solid wood, you will have to treat the edges. Above left shows two methods of doing this. Top one uses thin plywood tape which is readily available and the other uses 1/4\" strips that match the plywood you are using. Detail right shows how the adjustable shelf clip strips are installed in all the units. Hardware stores have these.

INDIVIDUALITY ACHIEVED BY DOORS



If you prefer to enclose the lower units with a more conventional hinged type door, we suggest that you use piano hinges and limit the width of each door panel to no more than 12\".



The doors that you use to enclose the units are infinite in their variety. You might even want to duplicate the design of other doors in the room in order to make your storage wall a more integral part of the surroundings.



Decorative folding doors cover a many-purpose and brightly colored storage area in the Byron Websters' spare room. Storage space includes TV, hi-fi, snack counter, and closet.

Teak wall units mounted on golden elm plywood walls make use of wall ordinarily unused. You can choose any combination of cupboards and shelves to fit your needs and accessorize them with handsome boxes, books, and pictures.



Georgia-Pacific showplace home Photographer: Charles R. Pearson

Individual styling and more than enough storage can be had with custom-built cabinets. Here, in a dining area, a pair of beautiful classic units flank a floor-to-ceiling mirror. Wire panels in shaped moldings are backed by rich white silk to soften the architectural effect.



BETTY WASON

SPRING IS HERE AND LAMB'S ON THE TABLE!



The foods of April are the foods of spring: the first tender vegetables to shoot up through the earth, the abundance of eggs laid by clucking hens in the blossoming warmth of the new season, the delicate meat of young lambs. For Easter, roast lamb is traditional among Europeans, as it is with many Americans who cherish Old World customs. Our boned stuffed leg of lamb is inspired by European recipes, a gala choice whether for Easter dinner or to serve to company on a mellow spring evening. It is so easy to carve, too, even by husbands who ordinarily shy away from carving. To preserve the delicate flavor of spring lamb, we urge roasting it until tenderly pink in the European manner. Ring the roast with golden-crust potatoes; serve with it tender peas flavored with dill, (starred recipes and story continued on page 72)

GALA STUFFED LAMB* / GOLDEN-CRUSTED POTATOES / PEAS WITH DILL / SPRING SALAD / GREEK EASTER BREAD* / STRAWBERRIES WITH WINE / COFFEE





VIRGINIA T. HABEED

WHEN THE LADIES COME FOR LUNCHEON

Sooner or later, be it the Seed and Weed Garden Club, the Ways and Means Committee, or a Guest of Honor, you're going to be "it" for a ladies' luncheon. Like dinner for the boss, lunch with the girls is a major challenge (except there are so many more of them!) calling for a magical mixture of excitingly different food, pretty service, and gracious hostessing. Here are three of our finest menus to fit the occasion. Baked Buttered Shrimp comes right from oven to table. Chicken Oriental is a perfect buffet. Ham in Aspic for a special guest will bring you top honors. Starred recipes, page 63.



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 PERFECTION SALAD*
 BREAD STICKS
 STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PYRAMID
 PETITS FOURS GLACÉS*
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 HOT BUTTERED ROLLS
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 FORTUNE COOKIES
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FOR THE GUEST OF HONOR
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• LEMONADE SOUFFLÉ

½ c. sugar
3 envelopes unflavored gelatin
6 egg yolks, slightly beaten
1½ c. water
2 tsp. grated lemon rind

Preparation time: 30 min.
Chilling time: 3 to 4 hours

½ c. lemon juice
6 egg whites
½ c. sugar
2 c. heavy cream, whipped

● Fold long strip of wax paper in half lengthwise. Tie securely around 1-quart soufflé dish, so collar will hold soufflé mixture above dish until it sets. Combine sugar and gelatin in saucepan. Blend egg yolks and water; stir into sugar mixture. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture just comes to boiling; do not boil. Cool; add lemon rind and juice; chill until mixture mounds slightly when spooned. Beat egg whites until frothy; add sugar slowly; continue to beat until stiff and glossy. Fold meringue into chilled mixture; fold in whipped cream. Pour into prepared dish; chill 3 to 4 hours, or until set. Carefully peel off wax paper. Garnish with orange slices, lime wedges, and additional whipped cream, if desired.

Makes 8 servings

323 cal. per serving

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TESTED IN THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS

• PERFECTION SALAD



• CHICKEN ORIENTAL

1 c. sliced onions
1 large green pepper, cut in strips
4 tbs. butter or margarine
2 cans (3-4 oz. ea.) mushrooms
3 c. coarsely cut cooked chicken
1½ c. sliced celery

Preparation time: 25 min.
Cooking time: 35-40 min.

2½ c. chicken broth
4 tbs. cornstarch
¼ tsp. white pepper
3 tbs. soy sauce
4 firm ripe tomatoes, cut in wedges
2 cans (3 oz. ea.) Chinese noodles

● Sauté onions and green pepper in butter or margarine in skillet 3 minutes. Drain mushrooms, reserve liquid; add mushrooms and chicken to skillet. Cook over low heat about 10 minutes; add celery. Mix ¼ cup chicken broth with cornstarch to make a smooth paste. Add remaining chicken broth and reserved mushroom liquid to chicken mixture; cook until hot; stir in cornstarch mixture. Cook, stirring constantly, until sauce is bubbling and looks clear. Stir in pepper and soy sauce; add tomatoes. Cook slowly 5 to 10 minutes, or until slightly thickened. Serve with Chinese noodles.

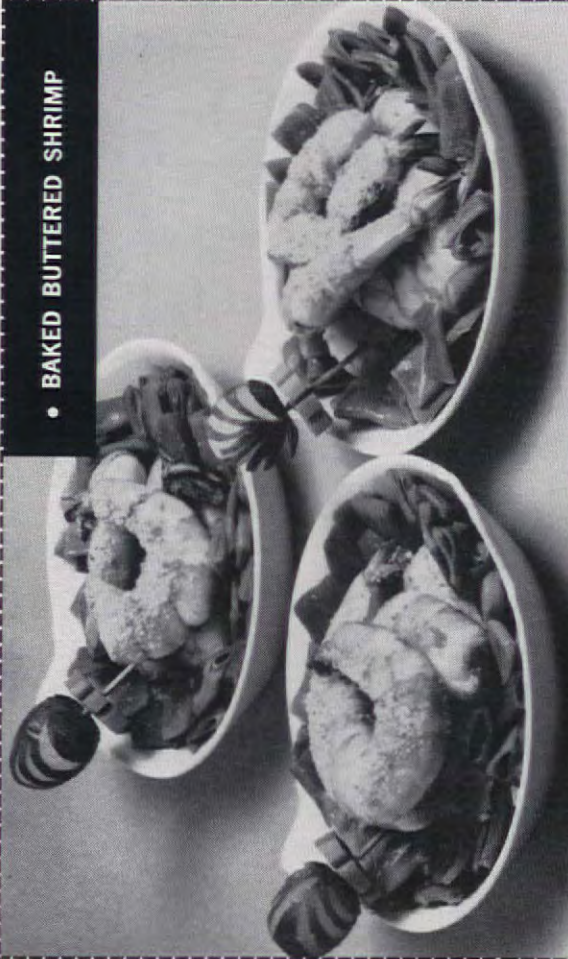
Makes 8 servings

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TESTED IN THE AMERICAN HOME KITCHENS

• BAKED BUTTERED SHRIMP



• ORANGE PINWHEEL BISCUITS

1 tsp. grated orange rind
½ c. orange juice
½ c. butter or margarine
½ c. sugar
¼ c. light corn syrup
3 c. sifted all-purpose flour

Preparation time: 30 min.
Baking time: 20 to 25 min.

6 tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
½ c. shortening
1½ c. milk
2 tbs. sugar
½ tsp. cinnamon

● Grate and reserve orange rind. Combine orange juice, butter or margarine, ¼ cup sugar, and corn syrup in saucepan. Stir over medium heat until sugar dissolves; simmer 5 minutes. Remove from heat; cool, add orange rind. Reserve 3 tablespoons of orange mixture; spoon remainder into each of 12 large muffin-pan cups. Set oven at hot (400°F). Combine flour, baking powder, and salt in mixing bowl. Cut in shortening with pastry blender or 2 knives. Stir in milk until all flour is moistened. Turn dough out on floured board; knead 5 to 6 times; roll out to an 18x6-inch rectangle. Brush dough with reserved syrup. Combine 2 tablespoons sugar with cinnamon; sprinkle over dough. Roll dough as for jelly roll, starting at long side; seal securely by pinching edges together; cut into 12 even slices; place each slice, cut side down, in muffin cup. Bake 20 to 25 minutes, or until golden brown. Invert muffin pan at once over tray; loosen biscuits with spatula if they do not fall out. Serve warm.

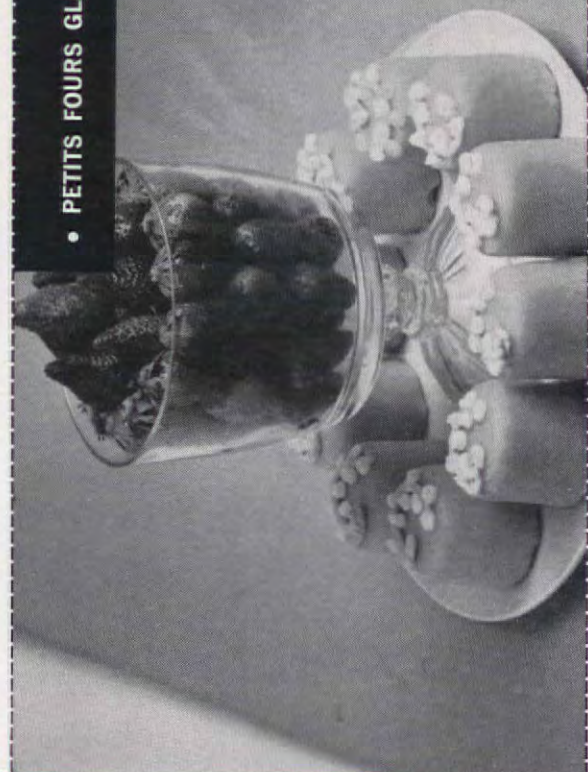
Makes 12 biscuits

302 cal. per biscuit

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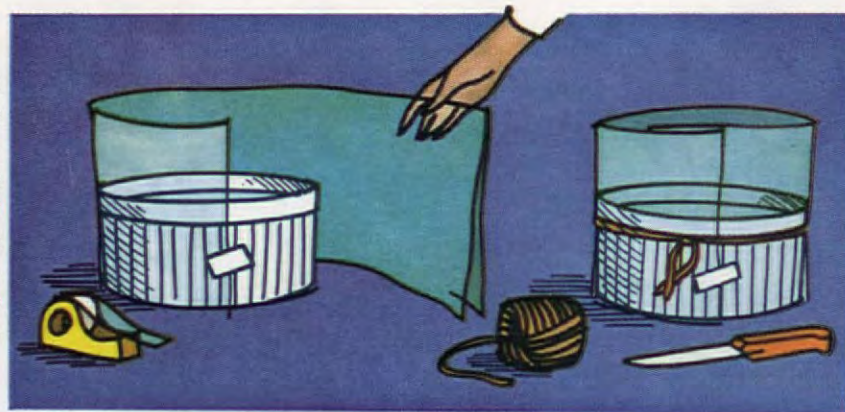
• PETITS FOURS GLACÉS



AMERICAN HOME
RECIPES

Ladies' Luncheons

(pictured in color on pages 56-58)



To make a collar for a soufflé dish, fold a long strip of wax paper in half lengthwise. Wrap it around the dish, extending it two inches above top. Secure end with cellophane tape. Tie tightly with string. To serve, peel off the paper.

AMERICAN HOME RECIPES

Ladies' Luncheons

(pictured in color on pages 56-58)



Dipping Petits Fours: Spear cake with two-tined fork and dip quickly into frosting in top of double boiler, making sure cake is completely covered. Turn upright so excess frosting drips into double boiler. Trim the bottom edge with knife. Slide off fork; place carefully on wire rack.

• PETITS FOURS GLACÉS

- 3 loaves baker's pound cake or;
- 3 loaves your own recipe
- 9 c. sifted confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 c. water
- 1/2 c. light corn syrup

Preparation time: 45 min.

- 2 tsp. almond or vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 c. confectioners' sugar
- 1/4 c. butter or margarine
- 1-2 tbs. milk
- Pure food coloring

• Cut out little cakes from pound cake loaves with round cookie cutter, or use fancy cutters for assorted shapes. Combine 9 cups confectioners' sugar, water, and corn syrup in top of double boiler. Heat over simmering water, stirring occasionally, until mixture is fluid and "pourable." Brush loose crumbs from cakes. Spear bottom of each cake with two-tined fork; dip quickly into frosting; turn upright at once and let excess frosting drip back into double boiler. Hold cake on fork for a few moments until frosting is set enough to allow you to slide cake off fork and onto cake rack. When all cakes are dipped, and frosting is set, they may be dipped again for deeper color. Cakes may also be frosted by pouring frosting over a row of cakes on a wire rack, scraping up the drippings and reheating. To decorate: Combine 1 1/2 cups confectioners' sugar with butter or margarine. Stir in enough milk to make a smooth frosting. Tint frosting; decorate as desired.

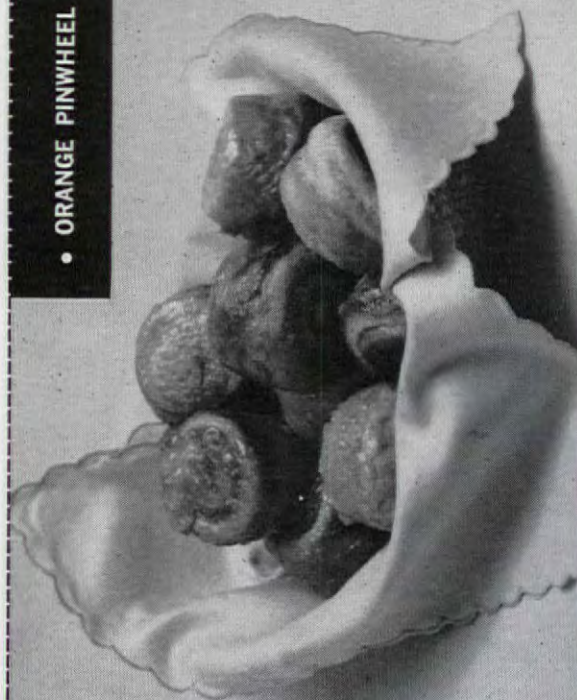
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• ORANGE PINWHEEL BISCUITS



• BAKED BUTTERED SHRIMP

- 2 cloves of garlic
- 1 c. butter or margarine
- 1 c. dry bread crumbs
- 1 tbs. minced onion
- 1 tbs. minced parsley
- 1/4 tsp. dry tarragon, crumbled

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

- 1/4 tsp. basil, crumbled
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. freshly cracked pepper
- 1/2 c. sherry or chicken broth
- 3 lbs. shrimp, cooked, shelled, and deveined
- 3 pkg. frozen Italian green beans, cooked

• Set oven at hot (400°F.). Cook garlic in butter or margarine until it browns; remove; discard. Add bread crumbs, onion, parsley, tarragon, basil, salt, pepper, and sherry or broth to butter or margarine. Reserve 1/4 cup of mixture; divide remainder among 8 individual baking dishes. Arrange shrimp over mixture in each dish. Sprinkle shrimp with remaining crumb mixture. Bake 15 minutes or until crumbs are golden. Edge each dish with hot, seasoned green beans. Serve at once. Garnish with perky radish and crisp carrot, if desired.

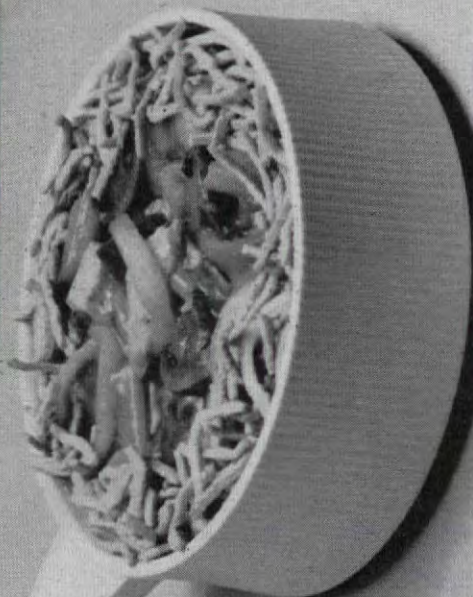
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• CHICKEN ORIENTAL



• PERFECTION SALAD

- 4 c. boiling water
- 3 pkg. lemon-flavored gelatin
- 1/2 c. vinegar
- Pimiento
- 2 c. finely shredded cabbage

Preparation time: 1 hr.
Chilling time: 3 to 4 hrs.

- 1 c. shredded carrot
- 1/4 c. diced green pepper
- Chicory
- French dressing

• Add boiling water to gelatin; stir until completely dissolved; add vinegar; cool. Chill until mixture begins to thicken. For decoration: spoon small amount of thickened gelatin mixture into bottom of 6-cup mold; arrange cutouts of pimiento; chill briefly until set. Fold cabbage, carrot, and green pepper into thickened gelatin mixture; pour into mold; chill until set. To unmold, loosen edges with small spatula or thin-bladed knife; dip briefly in warm water, or dip cloth in hot water and place over bottom of mold. Invert mold over serving plate; shake gently to loosen. Garnish with chicory; serve with tart French dressing.

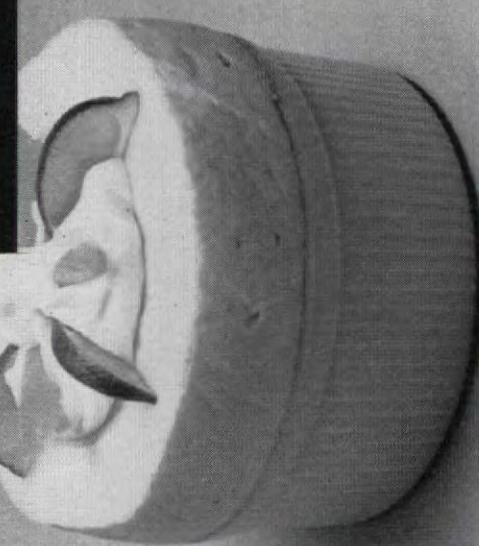
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Ladies' Luncheons

(pictured in color on pages 56-58)

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Preparation time: 2 hrs.
Baking time: 30-35 min.

1 stick (½ pkg.) pie crust mix
1 egg yolk
2 tbs. water
1 pkg. (8½ oz.) cream puff mix
1 c. sugar
¼ tsp. cream of tartar
⅓ c. water
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
¾ c. sugar
½ c. sifted all-purpose flour
½ tsp. salt
3 c. milk
4 eggs, separated
¼ c. Cointreau (optional)
⅓ c. sugar
Confectioners' sugar
1 c. heavy cream, whipped



Preparation time: several hrs.

• HAM IN ASPIC

2 hard-cooked eggs
⅓ c. fresh or frozen peas
3 carrots, pared and sliced
Watercress

1 canned ham (5 lb.)
2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
2 cans consommé (10½ oz. each)
Green onion tops

● Remove ham from can; chill well. Soften gelatin in ½ cup consommé. Heat remaining consommé to boiling; add to gelatin; stir until dissolved; cool; chill over bowl of ice just until syrupy; remove from ice. Pour cold aspic gently over cold ham until all surfaces except bottom have been covered with a light coat. At once, place cutouts of egg white and yolk, onion tops, peas and carrot rounds on top surface; chill briefly. Flow another coat of aspic over decorations and down sides. Chill. For additional coats of aspic, chill ham briefly just until each coat sets. Aspic may be kept fluid by placing alternately in warm water and then in bowl of ice. Garnish with watercress.

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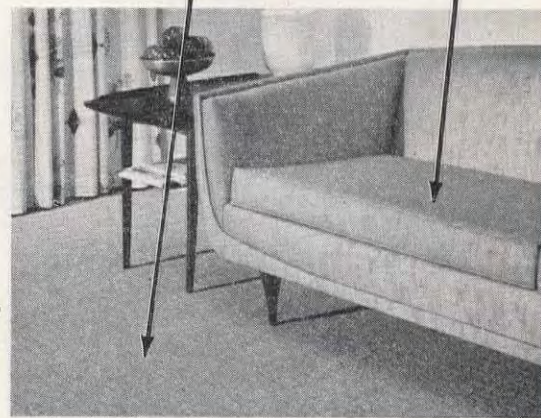
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Ladies' Luncheons

(pictured in color on pages 56-58)

● Prepare pie crust mix according to package directions; roll out to 8-inch circle; transfer to baking sheet; brush with egg yolk beaten with water. Prepare cream puff mix according to package directions. Press through pastry bag in circle about 1 inch thick onto edge of pie crust circle. Form second circle same size on second cookie sheet. Shape remaining paste into 8 small cream puffs. Bake in a hot oven (425°F.) 30 to 35 minutes until puffed and free from bubbles. Remove from oven; cool on wire racks. Combine 1 cup sugar with cream of tartar and water; cook over low heat until golden (about 25 min.); keep warm. Combine gelatin, $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sugar, flour, and salt in saucepan; stir in milk. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until bubbly. Beat egg yolks; stir in small amount of gelatin mixture; return to saucepan; cook 2 minutes more. Remove from heat; cool; stir in Conitrea; chill until mixture begins to thicken. Beat egg whites until foamy; beat in $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of sugar gradually until stiff peaks form; fold into chilled gelatin mixture. Fill each cream puff with small amount of filling. Brush bottom of open ring with syrup, press gently onto bottom ring of gâteau. Dip each cream puff into syrup; arrange on top of gâteau; fill center with remaining filling; refrigerate. Just before serving, sprinkle with confectioners' sugar; decorate with whipped cream.

Makes 8 servings 709 cal. per serving
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• GÂTEAU ST. HONORÉ

• SPRING POTATO SALAD

$\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 tbs. vinegar
6 tbs. olive or pure vegetable oil
2 pkg. (8 oz. ea.) cottage cheese
 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. mayonnaise or salad dressing
2 hard-cooked egg yolks, sieved

3 lbs. potatoes
2 tbs. finely chopped green onions
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. dry mustard
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. garlic salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. sugar
Dash of pepper

● Cook potatoes in jackets in boiling salted water until tender; drain; peel. Cut potatoes in pieces into large bowl; add onion. Combine mustard, salts, sugar, pepper, Worcestershire, vinegar, and oil in bottle or jar; cover tightly; shake well. Pour over warm potatoes; toss gently to blend; refrigerate several hours. Thirty minutes before serving, combine cottage cheese and mayonnaise or salad dressing; add to potatoes; toss until blended. Mound on platter; sprinkle top with sieved egg yolk.

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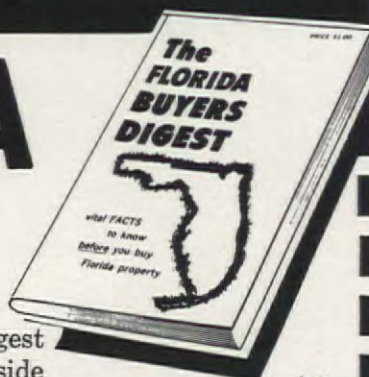


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SUNNY EGG CROWN MOLD

- 1½ tsp. unflavored gelatin
- 1 c. chicken broth
- 2 tbs. unflavored gelatin
- 4 c. mixed vegetable juice
- 1 tbs. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tbs. lemon juice
- 5 hard-cooked eggs, shelled
- 1 c. cooked green peas
- 1 small head chicory

Soften 1½ teaspoons gelatin in ¼ cup chicken broth; heat remaining broth to boiling; add to gelatin mixture; stir to dissolve; cool. Soften 2 tablespoons gelatin in ½ cup vegetable juice; heat remaining juice to boiling. Add boiling vegetable juice to gelatin mixture; stir to dissolve; cool. Pour enough cooled chicken-gelatin mixture into bottom of 6-cup ring mold to just cover bottom. Cut eggs in half crosswise; place each half, cut-side down in bottom of mold; chill until set. Spoon peas evenly around eggs; pour in remaining chicken gelatin mixture; chill just until set. Pour vegetable-juice mixture carefully over egg layer; chill several hours, or until firm. For serving, unmold salad onto serving plate; fill center with chicory. Serve with Russian dressing and additional chicory, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

EGGS LOUIS

- 1 c. mayonnaise or salad dressing
- ¼ c. catsup
- 1 hard-cooked egg, finely chopped
- 2 tbs. chopped ripe olives
- 1 tbs. chopped green onion
- 1 tsp. lemon juice
- Crisp salad greens, washed
- 8 hard-cooked eggs, cut in eighths
- 1 large avocado, peeled and sliced
- 3 firm, ripe tomatoes, cut in wedges
- Seasoned salt

For dressing, combine mayonnaise or salad dressing, catsup, chopped egg, olives, onion, and lemon juice in bowl. Chill. Line salad bowl with greens. Mound cut hard-cooked eggs in center; surround with avocado slices and tomato wedges. Sprinkle with salt. Serve with dressing. Makes 6 servings.

SCALLOPED EGGS AND HAM

- 3 tbs. butter or margarine
- 2 tbs. minced onion
- 4 tbs. flour
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. dry mustard
- ⅛ tsp. pepper
- 2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 2 c. milk
- 1 c. cheese cracker crumbs
- 6 hard-cooked eggs, sliced
- 2 c. cubed cooked ham

Melt butter or margarine in saucepan; cook onion until soft. Blend in flour, salt, mustard, pepper, and Worcestershire sauce. Add milk slowly; cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Sprinkle half the cracker crumbs on bottom of buttered casserole. Top with layers of sliced egg, ham, and sauce, ending with eggs. Sprinkle with remaining crumbs. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 30 minutes, or until sauce bubbles and crumbs are brown. Makes 6 servings.

EGG SAUCE FOR FISH

- 1 tbs. butter or margarine
- 1 tbs. flour
- ½ tsp. salt
- ⅛ tsp. pepper
- 1 c. milk
- 3 hard-cooked eggs, finely chopped

Melt butter or margarine in small saucepan; blend in flour, salt, and pepper. Stir in milk slowly; cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add eggs; serve hot over fried or baked fish. Makes 1 cup.

GARNISHES

Use hard-cooked eggs (sliced, quartered, or halved) to garnish and add interest to hors d'oeuvres, vegetables, salads, soups, and fish dishes.

Press hard-cooked egg yolks through a sieve for a fluffy garnish for salads. Or, cream the sieved yolks with a little mayonnaise or salad dressing, add a dash of horseradish, and pipe through a pastry tube to make rosettes on salads or vegetables.

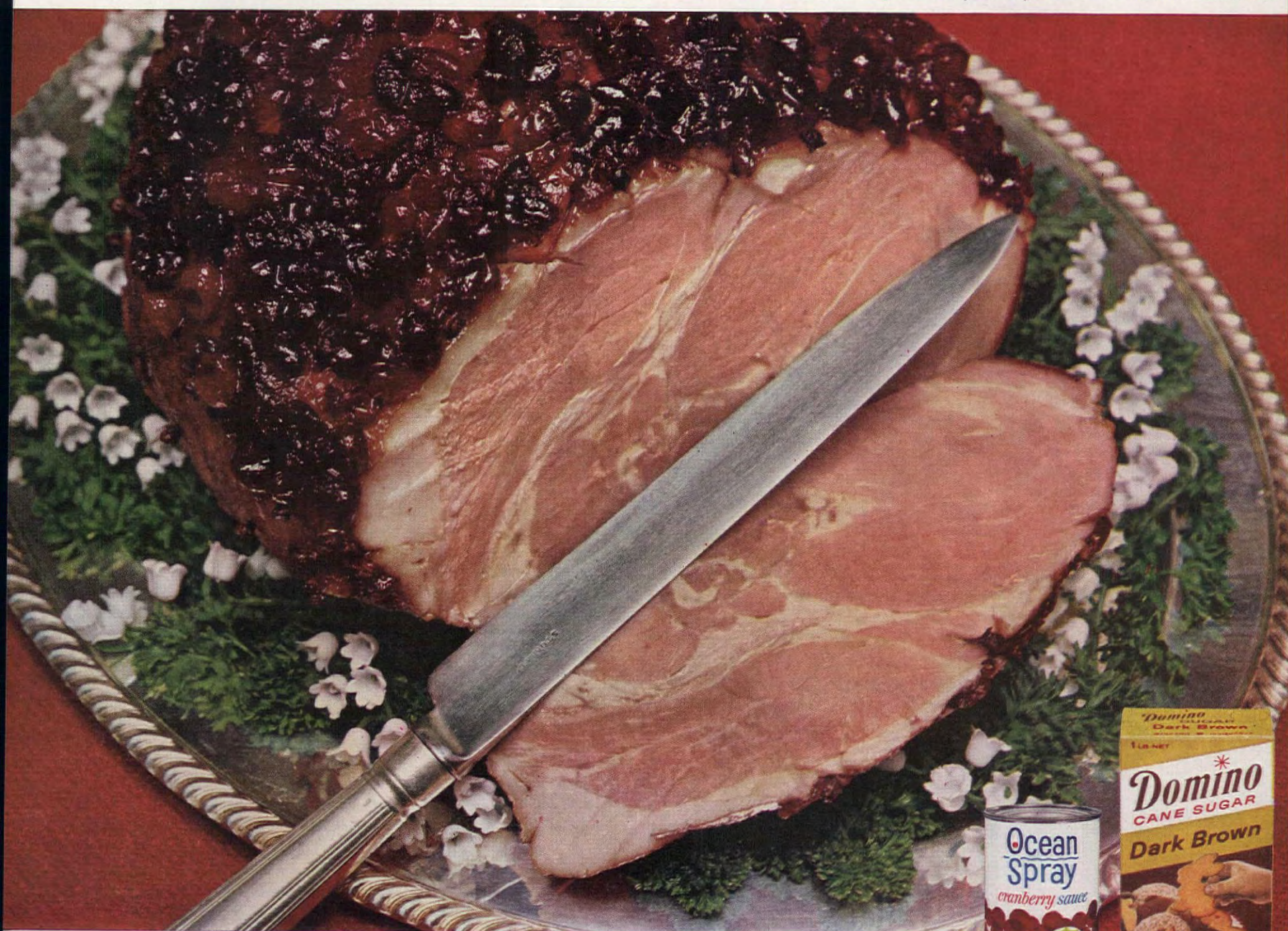
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SPRING LAMB

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crisp early radishes, lettuce, and sliced eggs. For dessert, marinate spring strawberries in wine.

Glorify this springtime feast with traditional home-baked Greek Easter bread. It's golden with sesame seeds, fragrant with orange, and festive as an Easter bonnet!

GALA STUFFED LAMB (pictured in color on page 54)

PREPARATION TIME: 30 MIN./ROASTING TIME: 1½ HRS.-2 HRS. 40 MIN.

One 6-lb. leg of lamb, French cut; 2 slices bacon, diced; 6 chicken livers (¼ lb.), sliced; 1 small onion, chopped (¼ c.); 1 sm. clove of garlic, minced; 4 c. soft bread crumbs; ½ tsp. oregano; 1 tbs. minced parsley; ¾ tsp. salt; ¼ tsp. black pepper; olive oil or softened butter or margarine; 1-1½ tsp. salt; ½ tsp. rosemary or oregano; 1½ tbs. lemon juice.

Have butcher remove H-bone and center bone from lamb, leaving shank bone intact and forming a pocket where bones have been removed. Cook bacon and chicken livers in skillet until lightly browned; remove and reserve. Cook onion and garlic in skillet over medium heat until soft; drain fat. Combine bread crumbs, onion mixture, bacon and chicken livers, oregano, parsley, ¾ teaspoon salt, and pepper. Spoon most of stuffing into pocket in lamb; lay remainder over flattened bone end. Tie roast with clean white cord, making sure stuffing is completely enclosed. Rub outside with oil or softened butter or margarine; sprinkle with salt, rosemary or oregano, and lemon juice. (This much can be done the day ahead.) Roast in hot oven (400° F.) 1½ hours for rare (meat thermometer will register 145° F.), or 1¾ to 2 hours for medium rare (155° F. on meat thermometer.) Or, roast in very hot oven (450° F.) 10 minutes; reduce oven heat to slow (325° F.); roast 2 hours for rare or 2¼ to 2½ hours for medium rare. Place on heated platter; remove cord. Make gravy, if desired.

GREEK EASTER BREAD (pictured in color on page 55)

PREPARATION TIME: 25 MIN./RISING TIME: 1¾ HRS./BAKING TIME: 25-30 MIN.

¼ c. milk; 2 tbs. sugar; 2 tsp. salt; 2 tbs. coarsely grated orange rind (1 med. orange); 2 tbs. butter or margarine; ¾ c. warm water (105°-115° F.); 1 pkg. active dry yeast or 1 cake compressed yeast; 3¾-4 c. sifted all-purpose flour; 1 large or 2 small eggs, beaten; 2 tbs. cold water; 1 egg; 2-3 tbs. sesame seeds.

Combine milk, sugar, salt, orange rind, and butter or margarine in saucepan; heat just to boiling; cool to lukewarm. Measure warm water into large warm bowl; sprinkle or crumble in yeast; stir to dissolve. Stir in lukewarm milk mixture; beat in half the flour. Add remaining flour alternately with beaten eggs; stir until dough comes away from sides of bowl. Dough will be very stiff. Turn out on floured board; knead 3 to 5 minutes, or until smooth and elastic. Place in large greased bowl; turn dough over to bring greased side to top. Cover; let rise in warm place (80-85° F.), free from draft, about 45 minutes, or until doubled in bulk. Punch dough down; turn over in bowl; let rise 20 minutes. Turn out on floured board; cut off two-thirds of dough; shape into large ball; flatten slightly; place in center of greased baking sheet. Divide remaining dough into thirds; roll each third into a strip about 14 inches long. Braid strips; encircle ball of dough with braid; pinch ends. Let rise in warm place, about 40 minutes, or until doubled in bulk. Mix cold water, egg, and sesame seeds; brush on bread; cut cross in top of loaf. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 25 to 30 minutes, or until golden brown.

OTHER RECIPES FOR LAMB

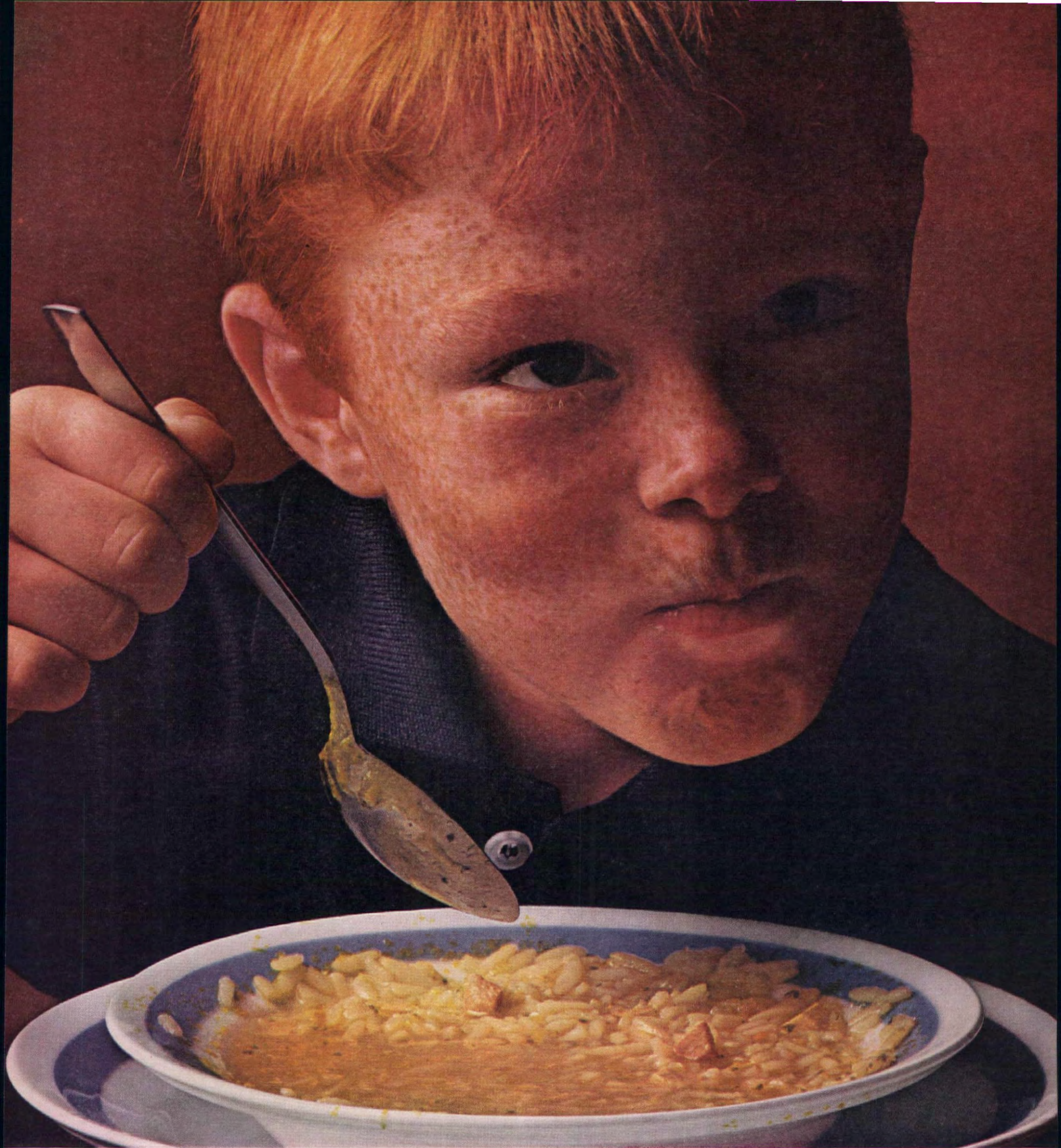
LAMB FARCI aux HERBES

PREPARATION TIME: 30 MIN./ROASTING TIME: 1½ HRS.-2 HRS. 40 MIN.

In France, a savory herb dressing is sometimes spread inside a boned leg of lamb and the meat is rolled up and tied neatly with cord.

½ c. minced parsley; ½-1 clove of garlic, crushed; ½ tsp. basil; 1 tsp. salt; ¼ tsp. black pepper; ⅛ tsp. ground ginger; 1 tbs. olive or pure vegetable oil; softened butter or margarine; salt; 1 6-lb. leg of lamb, boned and flattened.

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Combine parsley, garlic, basil, 1 teaspoon salt, pepper, ginger, and oil; mix well. Spread evenly over flattened meat; roll up as for jelly roll, tucking in ends; tie with clean white cord into even roll. Rub outside of meat with softened butter or margarine; sprinkle with salt. Roast in hot oven (400° F.) 1½ hours for rare (meat thermometer will register 145° F.), or 1¾ to 2 hours for medium rare (155° F. on meat thermometer). Or, roast in very hot oven (450° F.) 10 minutes; reduce oven heat to slow (325° F.); continue roasting 2 hours for rare, 2¼ to 2½ hours for medium rare. Remove roast to heated platter; cut and remove cord before serving.



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EXOTIC ORIENTAL LAMB

PREPARATION TIME: 10 MIN./ROASTING TIME: 1½ HRS.-2 HRS. 40 MIN.

In the countries of the Near East, cinnamon is often used to season lamb, giving the meat and the gravy, too, a subtly different flavor. ¼-½ tsp. ground cinnamon; ½ tsp. coarsely ground or cracked black pepper; 2 tsp. lemon juice; 2 tbs. olive or pure vegetable oil; 1 tbs. grated onion; 1-1½ tsp. salt; one 6-lb. leg of lamb (bone in).

Combine and mix well all ingredients except lamb. Rub mixture over outside of lamb; place in roasting pan. Roast in hot oven (400° F.) 1½ hours for rare (meat thermometer will register 145° F.); 1¾ to 2 hours for medium rare (155° F. on meat thermometer). Or, roast in very hot oven (450° F.) 10 minutes; reduce heat to slow (325° F.); continue roasting 2 hours for rare, 2¼ to 2½ hours for medium rare.

ANDALUSIAN LAMB MECHADA

PREPARATION TIME: 20 MIN./ROASTING TIME: 1½-2½ HRS.

From southernmost Spain comes this unusual way of preparing lamb. 1 large, thin slice of cooked ham (2 oz. boiled ham); 1 tsp. salt; 1 tbs. minced parsley; ¼ tsp. black pepper; 1 small clove of garlic, crushed; 2 tbs. olive oil; one 6-lb. leg of lamb.

Cut ham into thin slivers ¼ inch by 1 inch. Mix salt, parsley, pepper, garlic, and oil; roll ham slivers in mixture. Cut deep gashes in leg of lamb with thin-blade sharp knife. Insert seasoned ham slivers in gashes. Place in roasting pan. Roast in hot oven (400° F.) 1½ hours for rare (meat thermometer will register 145° F.); 1¾ to 2 hours for medium rare (155° F. on meat thermometer). Or, roast in very hot oven (450° F.) 10 minutes; reduce oven heat to slow (325° F.); continue roasting 2 hours for rare, 2¼ to 2½ hours for medium rare.

NEAPOLITAN LAMB AL VINO

MARINATING TIME: OVERNIGHT/ROASTING TIME: 2 HRS.-2 HRS. 40 MIN.

Marinating lamb in wine and herbs for 24 hours before roasting, as they do it in Italy, makes the meat wonderfully tender and fragrant.

1 clove of garlic, slivered; one 6-lb. leg of lamb; 1 c. dry red or white wine; ¼ c. grated onion; 1 clove of garlic, crushed; 1½ tsp. coarsely grated lemon rind (½ lemon); ½ tsp. rosemary; olive or pure vegetable oil; 1½ tsp. salt; 2 tbs. flour; 1½ c. water.

Insert slivers of garlic around bone in leg of lamb; place in large pan. Combine wine, onion, crushed garlic, lemon rind, and rosemary; pour over lamb. Let stand several hours or overnight, turning meat in marinade several times. Remove meat from marinade; wipe dry. Brush with oil; sprinkle with salt; place in roasting pan. Roast in very hot oven (450° F.) 10 minutes; reduce oven heat to slow (325° F.); roast 2 hours for rare (meat thermometer will register 145° F.); 2½ hours for medium rare (155° F. on meat thermometer). Baste with strained marinade several times during roasting. Remove meat to heated platter; keep warm. Skim fat from pan; mix flour to a smooth paste with a small amount of water; stir into liquid in pan; blend until smooth. Add remaining water; bring to boiling over high heat; continue to boil until reduced and slightly thickened. A boned, rolled leg of lamb may be marinated as above, placed on spit, and spit-roasted at 450° F. 1 to 1¼ hours, basting with marinade during cooking.

LAMB WITH FRAGRANT DILLSAS

PREPARATION TIME: 30 MIN./ROASTING TIME: 2 HRS. 10 MIN.

In Scandinavia, dill is the favored herb for seasoning lamb.

One 6-lb. leg of lamb; 4 c. water; 1 tbs. salt; 2-3 sprigs celery leaves; 1 sprig parsley; 1 bay leaf; 6 to 8 potatoes, pared and quartered; 10-12 small white onions, peeled; salt and pepper; softened butter or margarine; 1 tbs. sugar; 6 tbs. minced fresh dill or 3 tsp. dried dill weed; 1-2 tbs. cornstarch.

Have butcher bone, roll, and tie leg of lamb. Use bones to make broth (this should be done the day before). Put bones, water, salt, celery leaves, parsley, and bay leaf into saucepan; simmer 2 hours; strain; chill overnight. Next day, remove fat from chilled broth; cook potatoes and onions in broth 10 minutes; remove vegetables; reserve broth. Sprinkle roast with salt and pepper; rub with softened butter or margarine. Roast in very hot oven (450° F.) 10 minutes; reduce oven heat to slow (325° F.). Roll onions in sugar. Put onions and potatoes in pan around meat. Roast 2 hours, or until meat thermometer registers 145° F. During last 10 minutes of roasting sprinkle onions with 4 tablespoons fresh dill or 2 teaspoons dill weed. Remove roasted meat to heated platter; surround with vegetables. Skim all fat from pan drippings; blend cornstarch into brown essence in pan; add 2 tablespoons fresh dill or 1 teaspoon dill weed. Stir in 2½ cups reserved broth; simmer until blended and smooth. Serve with lamb.

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Health Hazards

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may lie in disinfectants which can be safely added to the water in the machine during the washing process. The difficulty has been to find disinfectants which while possessing potent germ-destroying properties will not injure clothing or be dangerous to people.

Presently, chlorine-type bleaches (liquid or powdered) are the only products which are readily available to the homemaker. If used at recommended strength they are most effective germ killers.

However, for fabrics and dyes which cannot take a chlorine bleach, there are some new disinfectants which are attracting keen interest among researchers. Many tests have been, and are still being, conducted on various types of disinfectants which can be added to the wash or rinse cycle without injuring the fabrics. Some of these products are available in supermarkets and drugstores in limited distribution.

In discussing water, a word should be said about hard water which can interfere with hygienic cleanliness and sanitation. Bacteria can be transmitted on dishes and clothing washed in hard water. A water softener eliminates soap curd which transmits and protects bacteria.

The way you dry your laundry is of importance too. Automatic driers

are an excellent step forward in the prevention of germ-contaminated laundry. Heat destroys bacteria, and clothes in a drier do not collect the soot, tree droppings, and insects as they would when hung on an outdoor line.

Diapers pose special problems. A diaper delivery service is most satisfactory because the soiled diapers are removed to a commercial laundry where they are subjected to very high germ-killing water temperatures. If the diapers are cleaned at home in a washing machine they should be rinsed and placed in a pail of water to which a non-skin-irritating disinfectant has been added as soon as they have been removed from the baby. Later they should be washed separately from the rest of the family wash.

During the first few months, hygiene experts advocate laundering all the new baby things, including rinsed and soaked diapers, apart from the family wash to avoid the possibility of spreading infection.

In addition to a pail for soiled diapers there should be a separate hamper for the baby's soiled clothes and accessories. Scrub hamper and pail thoroughly with soap and hot water or disinfectant at least once a week.

Baby bibs, washable toys, and crib toys should be washed regularly. Play-pen pads should be cleaned daily. The rule in nursery hygiene is that everything a baby handles should

be washed with hot water and soap as often as possible since everything finds its way into baby's mouth.

The same hygienic practices, only intensified, apply when a member of your family has a communicable disease and you must care for the patient and protect other members of the family without catching it yourself.

Good hygienic nursing care at home rests primarily in keeping the patient's germs from spreading to the rest of the family. The most dangerous sources of germs will always be the discharges from the patient's nose, mouth, and intestinal tract. Bacteria and viruses can spread by touching articles of bedding, clothing, or food utensils and dishes that your patient has handled. The safest rule is to wash dishes and clothing from the sickroom separately from those of the rest of the family.

Besides hand-washing after every visit to the sickroom, it is important that the patient use disposable tissues which can be accumulated in a paper bag pinned to the bedside. Soiled dressings, throat sticks, swabs, etc., should also be collected and burned or placed inside another bag and deposited in the incinerator or garbage can.

When caring for the patient wear a smock that you can remove, and keep it in the patient's room. Wash your hands after removing it.

Soap and water and a disinfectant solution should be used when clean-

ing the sickroom; an oiled mop helps avoid scattering the germs.

While the patient is in bed, use protective plastic mattress and pillow covers.

At the conclusion of an illness, everything in the sickroom should be aired out and exposed to the sun. This includes furniture, books, quilts, and so on. Tissues, newspapers and magazines, leftover food and candy, etc., ought to be burned or wrapped up for the trash collector. Start with lots of hot water, detergent, and elbow grease on floors, woodwork, closets; open windows wide; the sickroom will be transformed into a healthful room.

For normal bedroom cleanliness, change the linen once a week. Launder pillows once a year, zippered covers as soon as they soil.

The battle against disease and the deadly germs that cause it depends on the continuous and arduous efforts of every member of the family, including the youngsters. "A child's knowledge of health," it's been said, "begins in the highchair. Children taught hygiene at home will learn to live in better health as they grow older." About a hundred years ago Thomas Carlyle, the philosopher-historian, said, "Health alone is victory. Let all men, if they can manage it, contrive to be healthy!" Today science and medical research have given us the weapons to combat disease. Now it is squarely up to each of us to take up the battle, starting in the home. THE END

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Hi-Fi in Parts

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and build a basic system for the playroom. Use the old turntable, one of the speaker systems, and buy a utility amplifier (some cost as little as twenty or thirty dollars). What we're describing here is much of high-fidelity's fun. Stated simply, it's getting a lot for a little. And the sky's the limit.

The products mentioned in the system we've described were selected because—well, we had to start somewhere. In the same price range as the Electro-Voice speakers, you'll find units by University, Jensen, Altec Lansing, and Audax. FM receivers similar to Harman-Kardon's are produced by Bell Sound, Bogen, Pilot, Dynaco, Eico, Fisher, and Scott. In choosing a turntable, look for Weathers, Miracord, United Audio, Rek-O-Kut, Lesa, Empire, V-M, Webcor, Fairchild, and Pickering. Stereo cartridge manufacturers include ADC, Empire, Shure, Fairchild, and Pickering's de luxe Stanton line. Tape recorder firms include Viking, Norelco, Tandberg, Webcor, V-M, and Ampex.

One hurdle faced by newcomers to "hi-fi in parts" is unfamiliarity with brand names. Who are Bogen and Harman-Kardon, Pickering and Stanton? What about Electro-Voice and Altec Lansing? True, these haven't the same ring in most people's ears as Campbell's Soup, Chevy, and Lady Pepperell. But Stanton, Dynaco, H.H. Scott, Weathers, and the rest fairly trip off the tongues of respectful high fidelity-tarians. The respect is well-earned.

Teamwork

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to give riding instructions at special rates; also planned are many field trips for children—to hills and lakes, factories, and museums.

Since the association needs money, the wives run fund-raising sales. With their funds, the wives bought a typewriter and small mimeograph press for *The Echo*, strings of lights for picnics, and 100 party glasses.

"But our great pride," says Mrs. Smith, "is our 50-cup percolator. It's something every association needs."

Resentment by the town. This is something new owners are apt to face almost anywhere. "We wanted to help our town," says one wife, "but we had a hard time convincing them."

But suddenly, the town seems to understand. And the understanding seems to have come from a strange source—the 250 children who now live in Blue Ridge.

Juvenile delinquency had been expected. It's always expected today in a community of this size. Even Harry Gould had set aside special funds for vandalism and stolen materials.

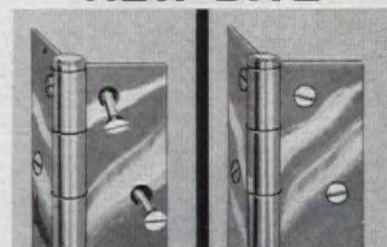
The police have not had a single call to Blue Ridge. First Selectman Alec Saxton says the reason may be the neighborliness created by the Blue Ridge Association. Chief of Police Jacob Tufano feels even more strongly.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Some of you may have noticed a change in your address label with this issue of *The American Home*. We are in the process of transferring our subscription servicing operation from Forest Hills to the high-speed electronic program used in Philadelphia by The Curtis Publishing Company for its other magazines.

The job of transferring almost three million names was started right after the address labels were made for the March issue, and we hope to have it completed before the May issue is sent out!

From now on any letters concerning your subscription should be addressed to The American Home, Subscription Service, Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia 5, Pennsylvania, rather than to Forest Hills.

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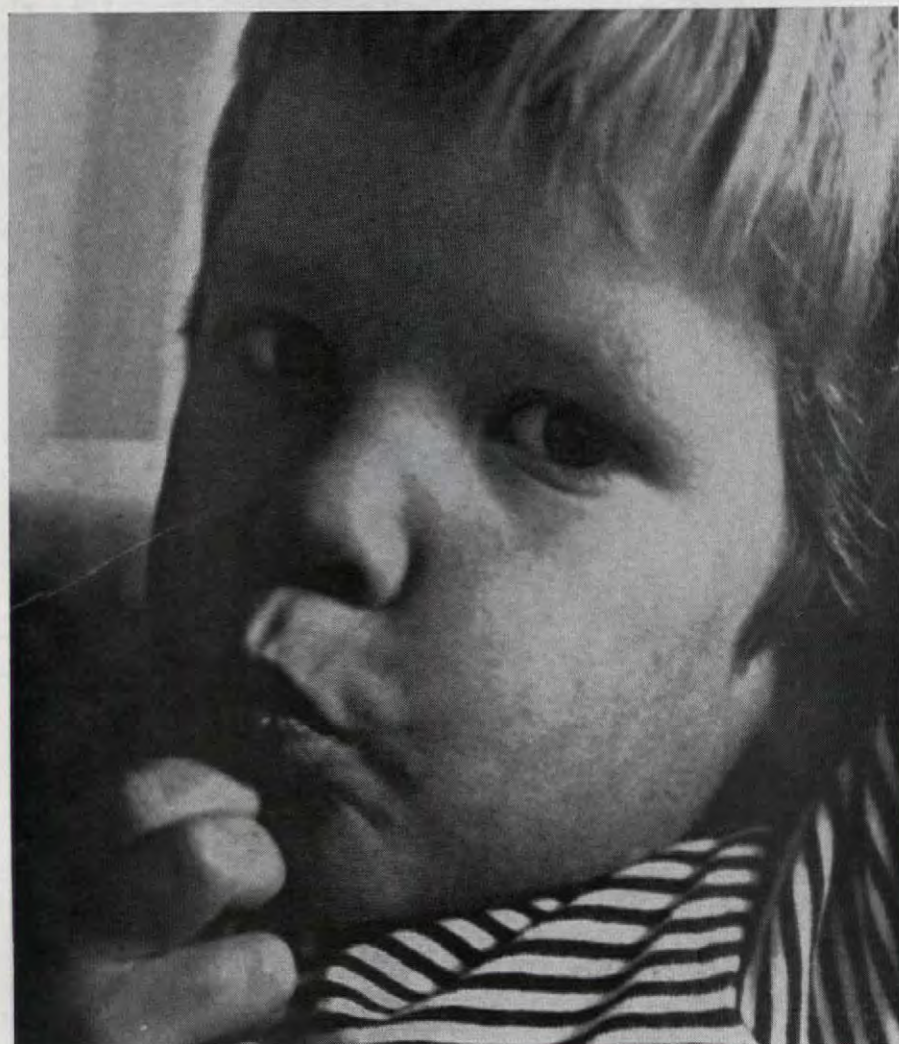
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germane to all kinds of blind dates from time immemorial. (Would the paint crack? . . . Could the lovely lady endure the rigors of a New York winter? . . . Nightmare of nightmares, was it at all conceivable that she might in any way be *less* than we had anticipated?) Well, as we said, our fears, blessedly, were all without basis and we can now sit back, in the lovely warm security of the *fait accompli*, and let ourselves indulge in the luxury of remembering how—in spite of all our qualms—the lady was as much, and even more, than we had hoped for . . .

But sitting and reminiscing—pleasant though they be as pastimes—aren't all we've been doing. We've been listening to some really fine recordings lately and one of the best and most unusual is a Delmar album called "The Legend of Sleepy John Estes." For some time thought of as dead, and "rediscovered" alive but blind in Brownsville, Tennessee, Estes is now more than ever able to demonstrate the plaintive, down-to-earth blues style that made him one of the greats back in the 30's. Not for everyone's taste perhaps, but if you enjoy the finest in true American folk music, ask to listen to this one . . .

Another recording "event" as far as we're concerned is the release of "Joan Baez in Concert" by Vanguard. If you should happen not yet to be familiar with the special loveliness of Miss Baez's work, we more or less envy you the surprise you still have coming. This, the third of her full-length recordings, includes "Black Is the Color," "Pretty Boy Floyd," and the exciting "Kumbaya." In addition to a remarkable voice and a communicative individuality that extends to the far side of magic, Miss Baez has the special quality of making it all seem so easy . . .

If you missed the Saturday Evening Post condensation of "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich" we strongly recommend that you get hold of one of the two English translations of this Russian novel published in this country. Set in an Arctic prison camp, the novel was written by Alexander Solzhenitsyn who was himself a slave-camp prisoner during the reign of Stalin.

When the novel first appeared in the Russian magazine, *Novy Mir*, in November, 1962, all of the 95,000 copies were sold out in a matter of hours. Moreover, the citizens of Moscow, unaccustomed to the luxury of being permitted to read (without fear of retaliation) a story that realistically presented the living circumstances of their country, eagerly stood in line all night in order to be able to buy their copy of the magazine. (Basking in our own freedom of press, let's give a passing thought to our blessings in this direction—lest we forget . . .)

One of the most beautiful collections we've ever seen is "Great Drawings of All Time," edited by Ira Moskowitz and released by Shorewood

Publishers. As the saying goes, "it costs a little more," because this is one of the expensive ones—so don't say we didn't warn you. On the other hand, even if you can't afford to buy it, see if you can't at least steal a look at this most sumptuous publication of drawings ever issued outside Europe. The 1107 life-size color plates represent the first pictorial encyclopedia of world-wide scope and include the work of 442 artists drawn from 174 of the most important public and private collections throughout the world . . .

We've recently added an irresistible addition to our "books-we-bought-for-a-child-and-now-you-couldn't-pry-them-away-from-us" collection. It's The Orion Press edition of "Andersen's Fairy Tales," with many of the stories illustrated by children from all over the world. You may *think* you know what "The Little Match Girl" is all about, but until you see it in full color by one little painter, aged 10, from Morocco you'll have no idea of its full impact. Only the most absolute artist—or any child—could have achieved the startlingly simple palette of these paintings . . .

Certainly not one of the "new ones," but—if you haven't as yet—read James Agee's great "Let Us Now Praise Famous Men." Preferably alone. Preferably aloud. Preferably late at night . . .

If it hasn't reached your area as yet, try to make sure you don't miss a movie called "David and Lisa." Made by a New York husband and wife team, Elenore and Frank Perry, for what in movie terms is known as "nothing," it achieves a simple beauty and honesty that happily manages to escape the type of little-movie "realism" that has come to be synonymous with fuzzy pictures and even fuzzier-principled people. Not so this one. The two lost children, played with almost stunning sensitivity by Keir Dullea and Janet Margolin, are awesome in the almost pure honesty of their portrayals. This—without qualification—is, in our opinion, a fine film. We sat through it twice and there are a couple of scenes we wouldn't at all mind seeing again . . .

In spite of a personal dislike for many of the "big" films, we very happily concede to an exception in the form of "Lawrence of Arabia." Handled in a way that seems somehow exactly right, the film owes its excellence to the production of Sam Spiegel ("Bridge on the River Kwai," "The African Queen," "On the Waterfront"), the direction of David Lean, and the remarkable acting of a well-disciplined cast including Peter O'Toole, Alec Guinness, and Anthony Quinn. Whether, like us, you have found your fascinating way through T. E. Lawrence's "Seven Pillars of Wisdom," or whether the whole saga of Lawrence is new territory for you, we can't imagine your not liking this one . . .

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Queen for the day.



Any man who wonders what to get his wife for Mother's Day should don an apron and do a day's dishes. This will take, all told, an hour or so of standing still in one place with your hands in a sink full of greasy water. It also involves trying to get dishes dry with what soon becomes a soggy dish towel.

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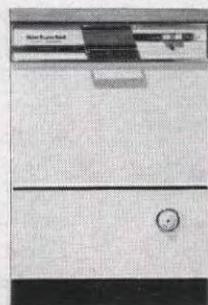
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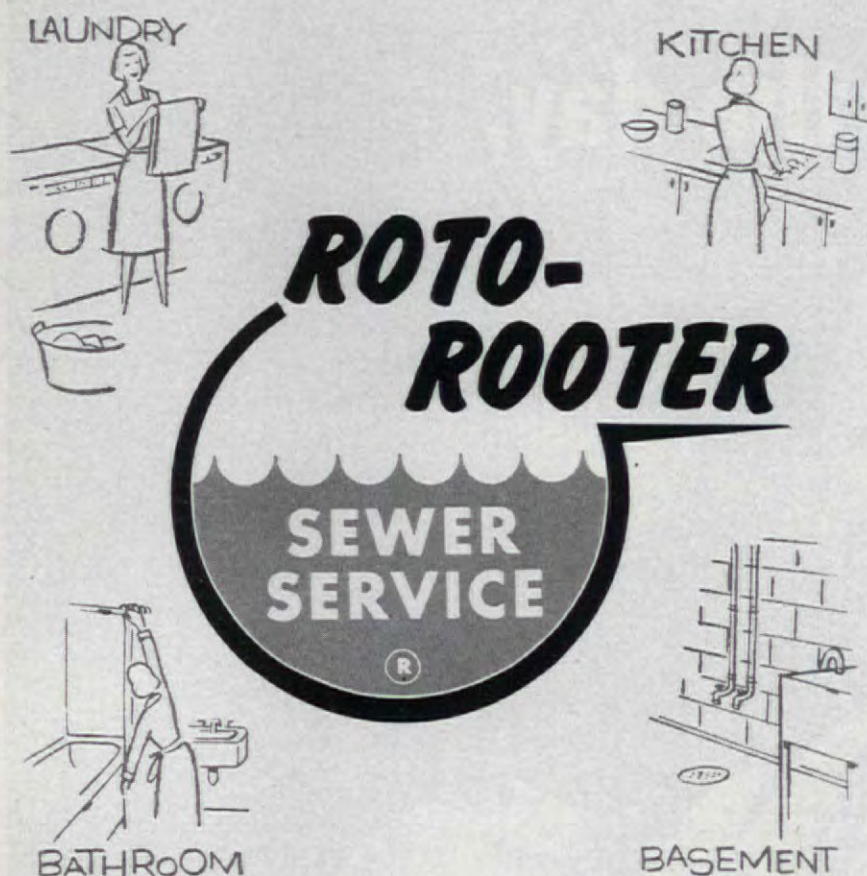
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(continued) Has anyone, beside us, gotten bitten by the rodeo bug lately? It probably all started with one or two very good television shows (ABC's "Wide World of Sports" if we remember correctly) and then spread on from there. Chances are that within a few years it'll be second only to baseball as a spectator sport.

In addition to its intrinsic excitement, there seems to be an added "something" to rodeo. For one thing the spirit of comradery among the contestants. (Can you imagine anyone in, say boxing, telling his opponent his cinch wasn't pulled tight enough?) And for another the complete audience involvement in wanting the contestant to go full time on that Brahma bull. (From a female point of view, cowboys aren't all that hard to look at either.) . . .

The big CBS hole on New York's Sixth Avenue ultimately intended to house the buildings that will house the people who will hatch the future mighty (?) plans of television gets deeper every day. Seeing the fine sense of drama intrinsic in the magnitude of the digging, blasting, and generally magnificent chaos, we can't help feeling that the whole thing is being masterminded by some great TV-producer-in-the-sky . . . ("Now let's shoot for just a *little* more realism in those rocks, Bob . . .") Seriously, every time we consider making our television set into a lamp base, we get hit between the eyes with something like the recent special called "Russians: Self- Impressions."

This special full-hour Public Affairs broadcast dramatized excerpts from fine Russian classics, providing an insight into the character of the Russian people as seen through the eyes of some of their great writers. Our favorite segment was the dramatization of a love scene from the novel "Doctor Zhivago" by the late Boris Pasternak, who was subsequently awarded (though prohibited by the Russian government from accepting) the Nobel Prize for literature. Dr. Ernest J. Simmons, a leading authority on Russian literature, who served as host of the program, described the direction of the scene in the following terms. "Dr. Zhivago, having been torn from his wife and children, having seen the order of the world he knew destroyed, finds comfort in his love for the woman Laura. As with us all, when the social structure crumbles, the only order in the world is to be found in the love one human being can have for another." The program proved—as we have not seen done since the early days of CBS's Camera Three—that television, in the hands of men who know what they are doing, has all the potentials of a major art form and not an all-too-easily-bored-with toy. If you happened to have missed this one, perhaps some mail to CBS might convince them to reschedule it. (We'd enjoy seeing it again ourselves . . .)

As if to back up this attempt at reclamation for Mr. Minow's

"wasteland," we have word of several upcoming projects that at least *promise* us something to get hopeful about.

Producer George Schaefer has signed Trevor Howard to portray Disraeli in the drama based on the life of the 19th-century British statesman, scheduled for showing in early April on the Hallmark Hall of Fame. Greer Garson will co-star.

In addition, sometime this summer CBS will tape "Cinderella" in color for showing later in the season. If all goes well, Robert Goulet will be playing Prince Charming opposite the ever-charming Julie Andrews . . .

Then too we never stop being at least mildly delighted by the cavortings of television's "Silents Please," a half-hour dedicated to the resurrection of many old-time film classics. At the expense of being considered reactionary, we can't think of anything we've seen in recent years that even approaches the sheer *scariness* of Lon Chaney's "Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" . . . to say nothing of the wild, gay *elan* of the original "Three Musketeers" . . .

So, like the man said, "maybe television isn't dead after all . . . maybe it hasn't even been *born* yet . . ."

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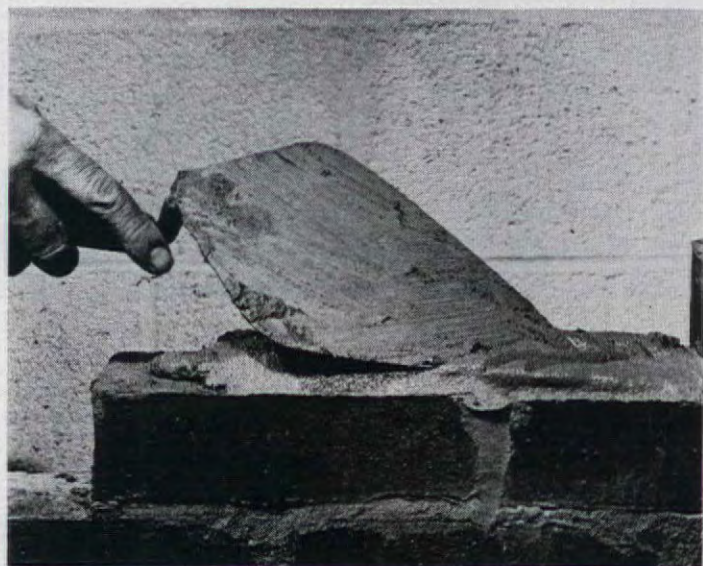
Planning to build a fireplace? A barbecue pit? A planter? A new room? Bricks are a good choice since they're easy to work with and they're attractive—no matter what style of home you own. There are two kinds—common and face. Most brick used in residential construction today is the common variety. It costs less than face brick, and it's generally considered to be better looking since it provides subtle gradations of color and texture not possible with face brick. Used common brick is available at lower cost.

Although there are several sizes, standard brick measures 2x4x8". You'll probably be working with this type since it's the easiest to buy anywhere. Some bricks have holes in them to save material, make them lighter, and provide a better bite for the mortar. Common brick costs from five to seven cents apiece (less if you live close to where the bricks are manufactured). At this price they're tossed on a truck and dumped off—with a certain amount of inevitable damage to corners. For about a penny more per brick, you can get them loaded and unloaded by hand.

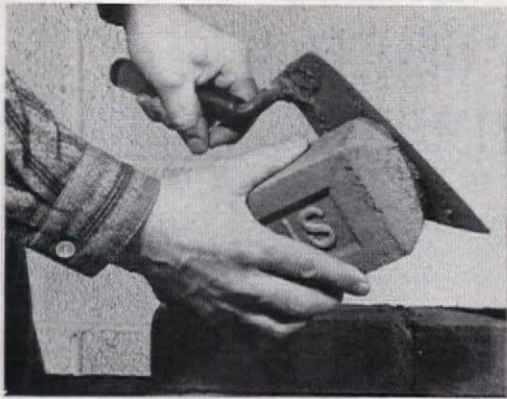
It's not difficult to lay bricks. At the beginning you'll need patience as a substitute for the skill that comes later. The pictures here show you the basic techniques that will help you with your home projects.



First course of bricks must be perfectly square at corners, and well bedded in the mortar. Never use bricks as their own foundation. They should be laid on footings of poured concrete or concrete block.



Bricks are always laid with a full bed of mortar. Mortar must ooze out all along the brick and on both sides where it slides up to the preceding brick. Remove the ooze as you put the bricks in place.



"Butter" the end of each brick before sliding it in. Slice the mortar on end, then shape it on four sides to a peak, like a pyramid. This helps make it stick while you lay it.



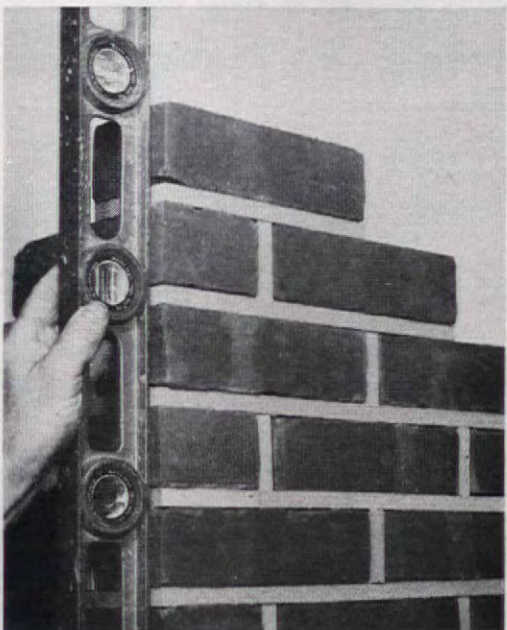
Lay each brick an inch or so from the one preceding it. Press down slightly, and forward. With practice, you will soon be able to apply mortar for several bricks at one time.



For final adjustment, gently tap brick with trowel handle, exerting pressure in the direction brick must move, as indicated by eye and level. Use the right kind of mortar. A packaged mortar mix is easiest for all but very large home projects.



Treatment of mortar joints is very important in weather-proof masonry. Tightest joint is made with flat striking tool or rounded "sled runner" used with troweling stroke. Hold tool at angle shown to achieve the best weather-proof joint.



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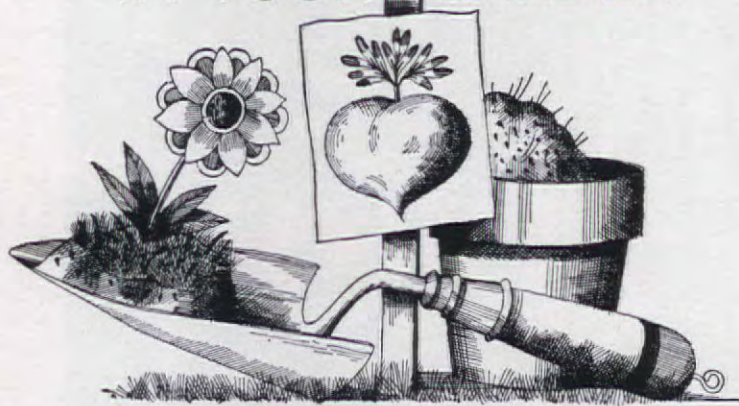
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IN YOUR GARDEN



Prune frost-hit plants; plant both hybrid and native azaleas.

Gardens in the Southeast will probably show the effects of last January's weather throughout the summer. Some plants usually considered tender have managed to survive, but many others have been killed off. Many of our evergreen plants, such as the cotoneasters, dropped all their foliage, but will probably come back in good condition. In your garden, prune out all damaged stems and branches, and fertilize and remulch all plants.

Azaleas, unfortunately, may look very poor this spring. Many of the Indica azaleas suffered severe flower-bud damage as well as considerable foliage damage. Prune them back heavily to induce new growth. Macrantha azaleas (*R. indicum*, referred

to as Satsuki azaleas in Japan) also suffered extensive bud damage, but in most cases the foliage is in good condition and only light pruning will be necessary. The Kurume azaleas have again shown themselves to be more winter hardy than the Indica varieties. If foliage drop has occurred, give them a light pruning after they finish flowering, or they'll appear thin and leggy.

If you're planning to plant azaleas, consider some of the less common varieties. 'Mt. Laurel' has beautiful blue-pink flowers; 'Sherwood Red' (Kurume) is a vivid orange-red. For a tall, hardy white-flowered plant, 'Palestrina,' a Vuykiana hybrid, is excellent. Or try some of the Gable hybrids, such as 'Campfire,' a red;

'Rosebud,' double rose; 'Rose Greeley,' hose-in-hose white.

The Glenn Dale hybrids are a group comprising several hundred varieties. Many flower at the same time as the Kurumes, but more important are the many varieties that flower later and thus extend the azalea season. The following ten, all of which are late-blooming, will give you a representative sampling of this group: 'Aphrodite,' large rose flowers; 'Beacon,' scarlet rose; 'Boldface,' large white flowers with a purple margin; 'Copperman,' large and brilliant red; 'Corsair,' large rose-pink blooms; 'Fashion,' hose-in-hose, begonia pink; 'Glacier,' large white flowers with a faint green throat and excellent foliage. 'Greeting' is coral rose; 'Martha Hitchcock' bears large white flowers with a magenta margin. 'Treasure' is a superior plant and should replace 'Indica Alba.' It carries large white flowers with pink dots in the throat.

Satsuki (Macrantha, *R. indicum*) azaleas are very late-flowering, dense, low-growing plants. The blossoms are large and they sport readily, so that one plant may produce many color forms or patterns. In many areas they will be in flower in late May and early June. Use them in shade to protect the flowers. Some of the late-bloomers are 'Bunkwa,' white with orange-red margin; 'Gunbi,' white with red flecks or stripes; 'How-Raku,' white-flecked or blotched red.

The introduced deciduous azaleas

(Mollis, Japanese, Ghent and Exbury hybrids) are very large-flowered types. They're not adapted to our warm summer temperatures, however, and are best used in the Upper South.

Native azaleas are increasing in popularity in the South. They're attractive deciduous plants often called wild honeysuckle. Their tall habit of growth and fairy-like display of flowers contrast well with hybrid azaleas. Some have spicily scented flowers, others attractive yellow blooms.

Piedmont azalea (*R. canescens*) is our most common native. It's a handsome plant with white to rose flowers and a honeysuckle fragrance. It flowers in late March or early April, often attaining heights of over 12'. Oconee azalea (*R. speciosum*) is found in the Piedmont region of Georgia and South Carolina. It is often called "flame" azalea, but flowers in early April, a month earlier than the true "flame" (*R. calendulaceum*). The Oconee is a good plant for the warmer areas of the south.

Two late-flowering native azaleas are "sweet" azalea and "swamp" azalea. Both have white blossoms and a spicy fragrance.

Baker azalea has orange-red blossoms in late May and June, and the rare plumleaf azalea flowers in July and August. By interplanting some of the native species with many of the new introductions, you can have azaleas in bloom from late March till July and August.



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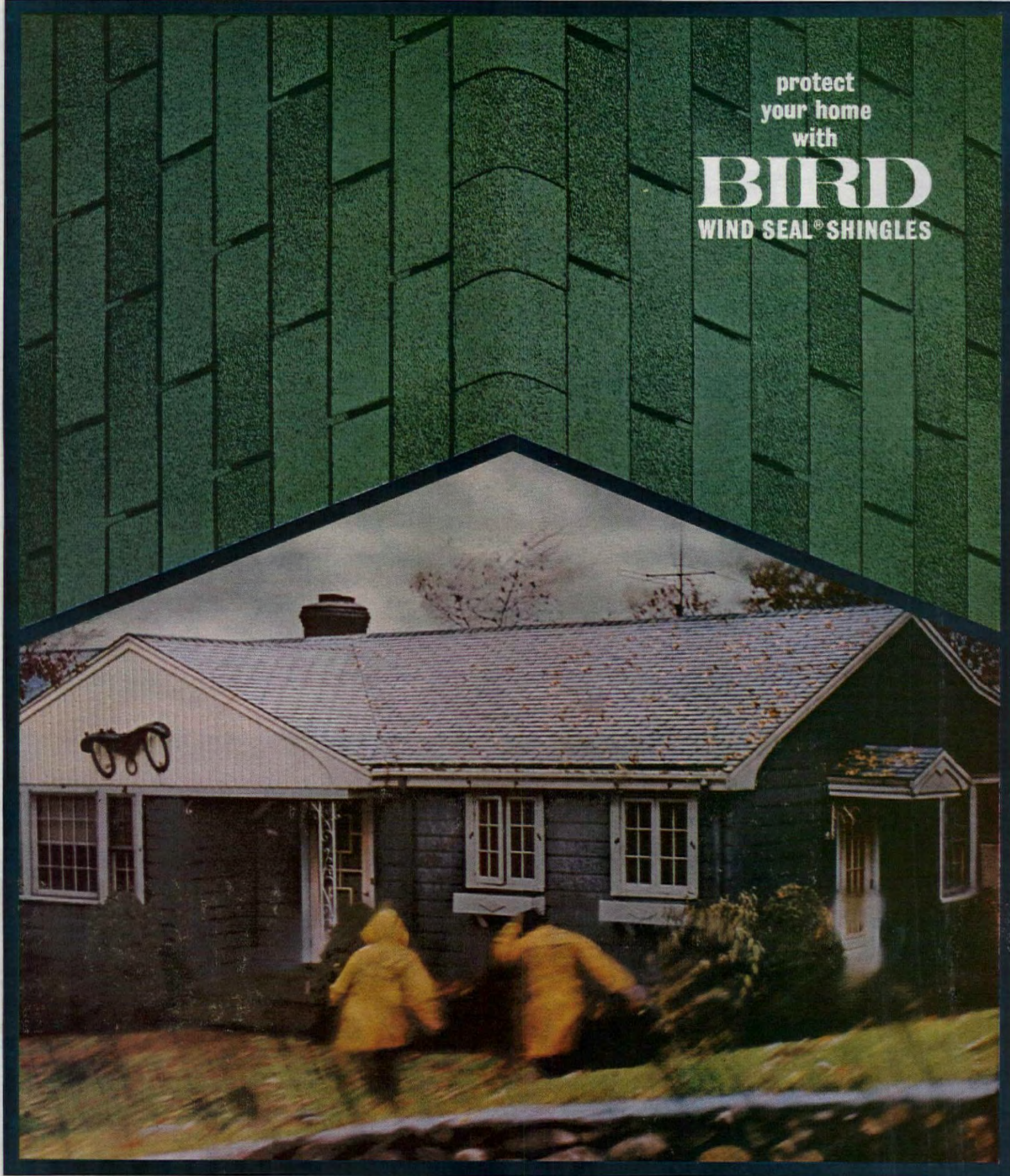
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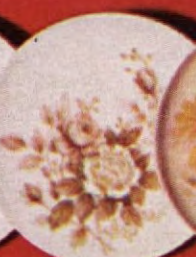
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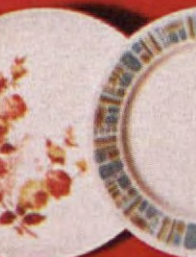
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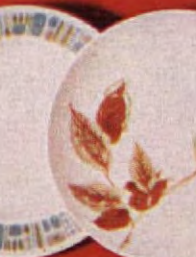
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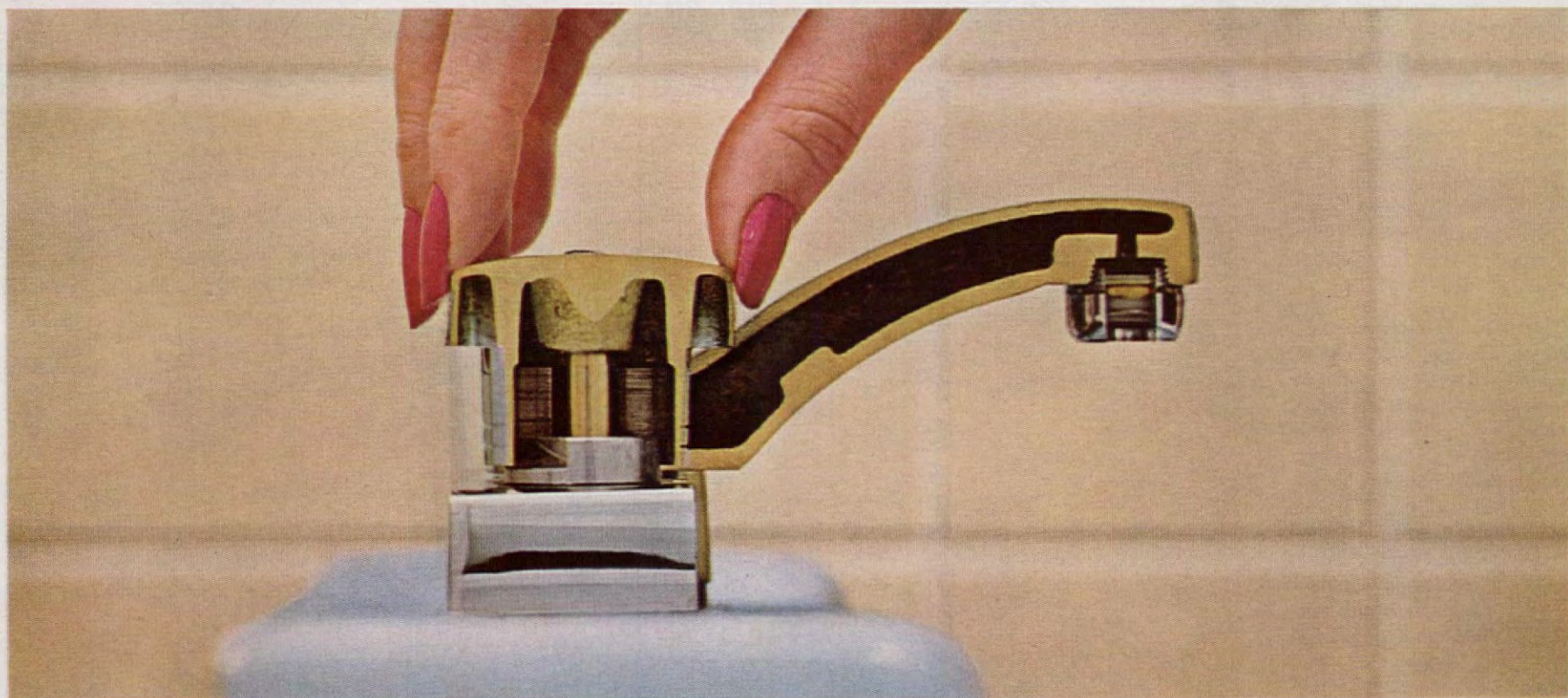
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Now, through efforts that have been made on many fronts, it is easier to find competent people that can and will take care of your problems in a businesslike and professional manner. Organizations such as the National Home Improvement Council, National Retail Lumber and Building Material Dealers Association, National Association of Home Builders, and National Established Repair, Service and Home Improvement Contractors of America have done much to improve this situation. These groups, as well as many architects that specialize in remodeling, have been busy in recent years training those in the field to do better work and encouraging qualified newcomers to enter it.

The American Home has contributed to this effort by consistently showing outstanding remodeling work (pages 87 and 88), by listing Qualified Home Improvement Centers, and now by issuing helpful booklets to assist you in your remodeling planning (page 7). To emphasize the importance of this work still further, we are presenting below a telegram sent by President Kennedy to the Home Improvement Council commending them for their efforts.

The White House, Washington, D.C.

*Carroll K. O'Rourke, President and Chairman,
 National Home Improvement Council,
 87 Madison Avenue, New York City*

My commendations to the National Home Improvement Council for designating 1963 as "Home Improvement Year." There is real merit in an industry-wide drive which encourages Americans to remodel and improve their homes. Such a program also helps in the maintenance and enhancement of community life throughout the nation.

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The 1961 Housing Act has provided some important loan insurance programs for home improvement and rehabilitation, and the long-standing FHA programs have provided valuable aids to industry for 28 years. The NHIC has helped to keep these programs and private industry participation in them active and vital.

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In showing remodelings, it is our hope that readers will be able to adapt some of the ideas to their own projects. On this page is an adaptation of a remodeling which appeared in our November, 1961, issue.

Jim and Doris Spearman of Greensboro, North Carolina, were looking for a house in a particular neighborhood. The only one available and big enough for their family, was one which had been partially destroyed by fire (left). Remembering a house they had seen in *The American Home* (bottom), they knew at once that the house they were considering could be remodeled along the same lines.

The Spearman's purchased the property for \$12,500. It had an insurance fire-loss claim of \$4000, which gave the property an estimated value of \$16,500. The remodeling included a front porch, a bath, a family room, and a modern kitchen. Original purchase plus remodeling cost came to \$22,700.



Fred Rola



The finished house is valued at \$23,500.

It is interesting to note some of the ways the Spearman's adapted *The American Home* remodeling. The large window effect on the right was achieved by adding a wood panel beneath the window and full-length shutters. The porch detail is almost identical with only the steps being moved to fit the existing door and window arrangement.

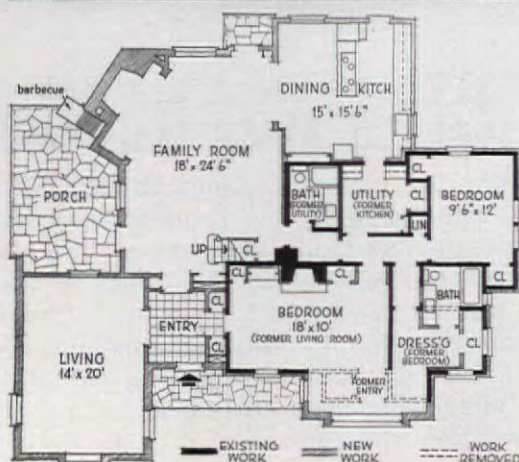
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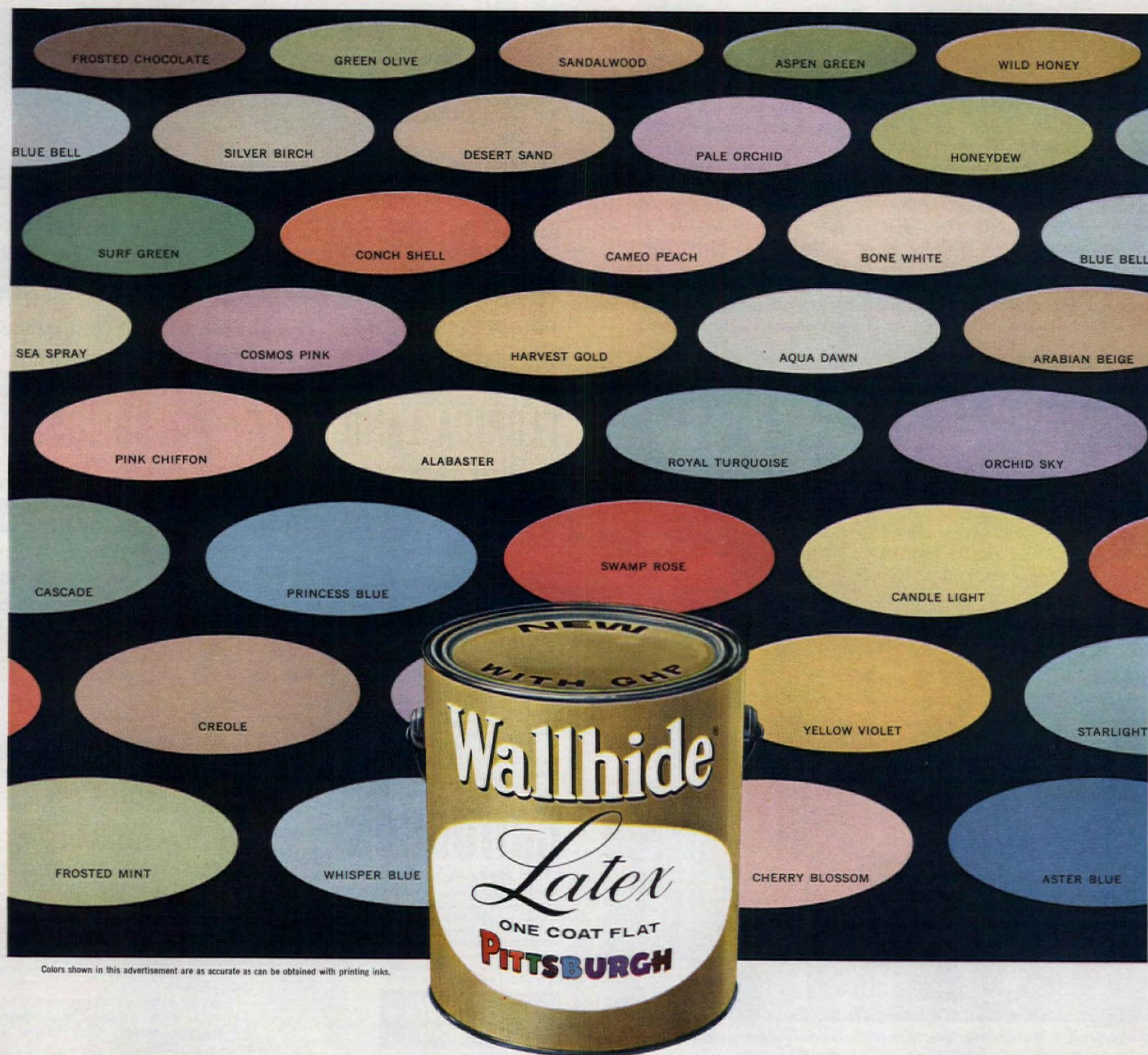


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Back-Yard Planning (continued from page 43)

HOW TO MAKE A BACK-YARD LANDSCAPE PLAN

1. Take stock of your back-yard property

A. Note bad features that have to be corrected. These would include poor trees and brush that should be removed; poorly drained areas that should be regraded, and so on. Make a list of these and decide whether to handle them yourself or to have them done.

B. Take measurements of your back-yard property and draw these dimensions in scale (say $\frac{1}{8}$ " or $\frac{1}{4}$ " to represent 1') on heavy paper for your basic sketch.

C. Take note of desirable or necessary characteristics of property that are to be retained, such as good trees, attractive stone outcroppings, and septic tank or well-head location. Indicate locations of these on basic sketch.

D. Decide whether any planting or construction should be done immediately. For instance, if you want privacy but have none, decide where fences or screen plantings should be located. Draw these top-priority projects, in correct scale and location, on your sketch.

2. Decide what you want in a back-yard garden

A. Make a list of the features you'd like. If you want to relax and entertain outdoors, you'll need a good-size paved terrace or patio; if you have small children, you'll need a play area; if you want a flower-garden area, you'll have to allow for it. Probably you won't have space for everything you'd like, so start with what you really need.

B. Make rough circles and ovals on your sketch to indicate where you think the features you want should be located. When doing so, take note of the direction of the sun, shade from trees and buildings, views that you'd like to take advantage of, contour of the land, and so on. This step is illustrated in drawing below.

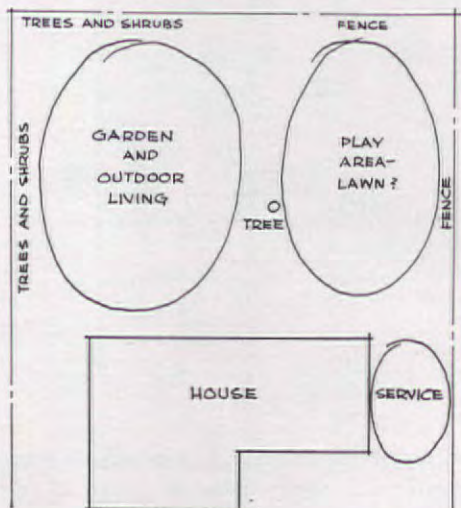
3. Start your landscape plan

A. Using tracing paper, make a tracing of your sketch showing property dimensions and locations of features to be retained, but omitting the rough circles and ovals.

B. Make your first rough plan on the tracing-paper sketch. Start with simple outlines of the main features you want, in the locations indicated by your circles and ovals. Try using some of the shapes shown in the sketches on the next page, or those shown in the back yards pictured on pages 38 through 43.

C. After you've done all you can with your first rough plan, make another tracing and another plan—and another, and another—until you've got a plan you're satisfied with. Draw each new plan a little more carefully and accurately than the last. Don't be impatient!

D. After finishing the plan, decide with the help of a nurseryman and a building supply man, on the kinds of plants and materials best suited to carrying it out. If you can't do everything right away, decide also which features should be attended to this spring, which in the fall, and which can be put off a longer time.



Start your drawings with the dimensions of your property, the locations of desirable or necessary features, and rough circles or ovals indicating where the main elements of your back-yard plan should be.

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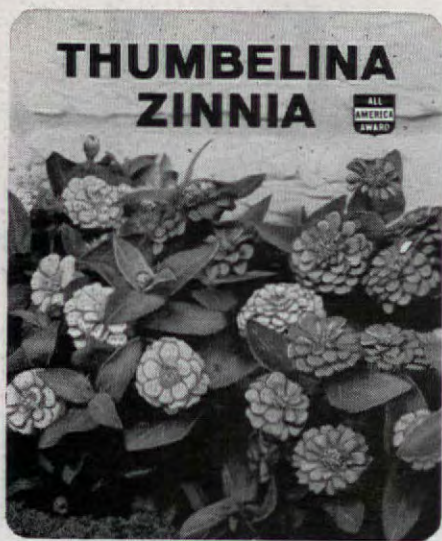
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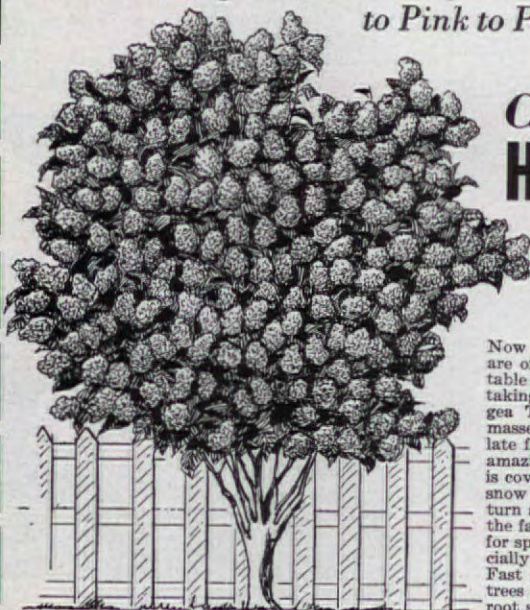
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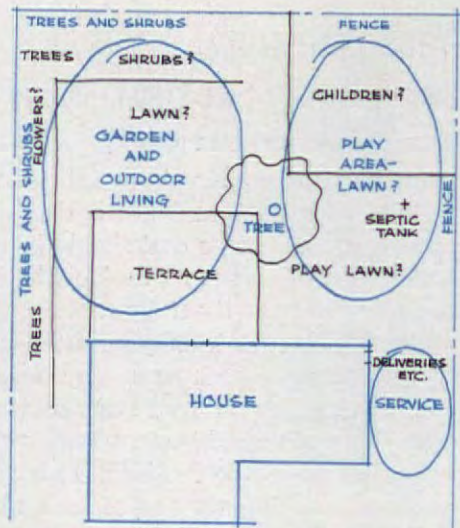
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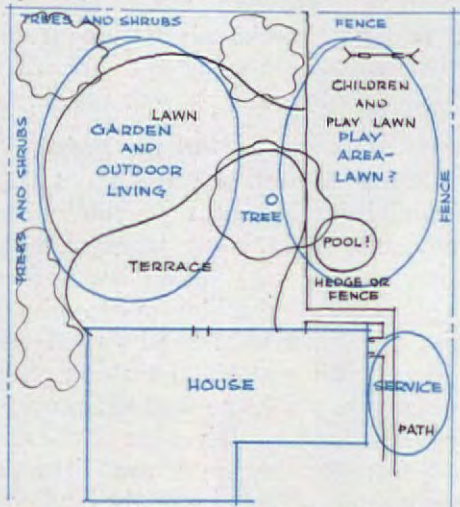
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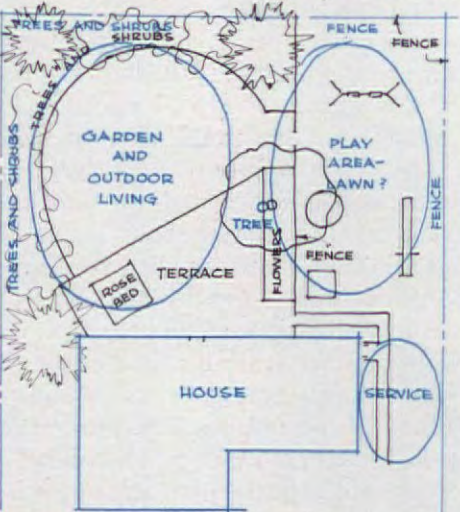
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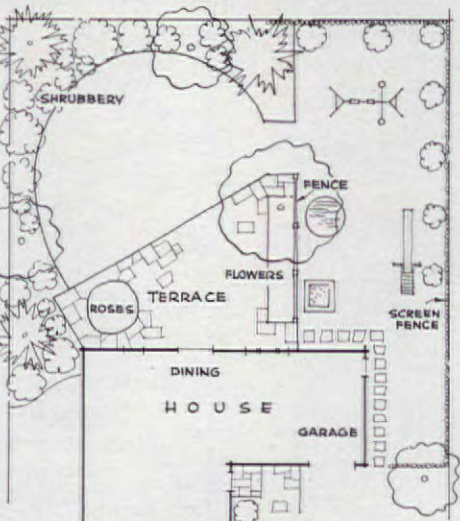
Now make a new drawing on tracing paper and start converting your circles and ovals into definite shapes and sizes to represent the garden features you want.



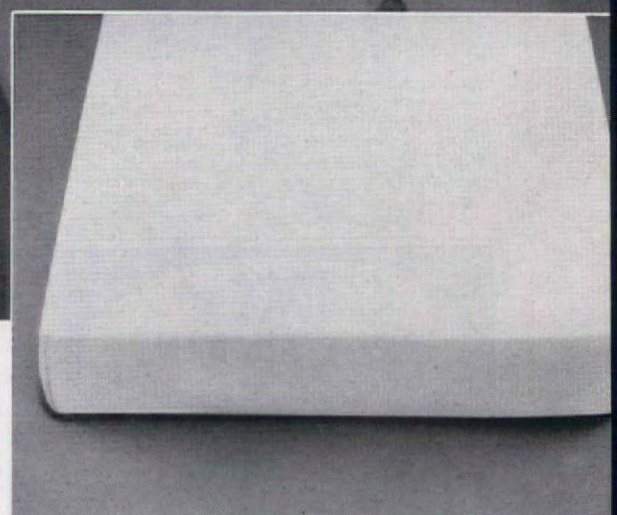
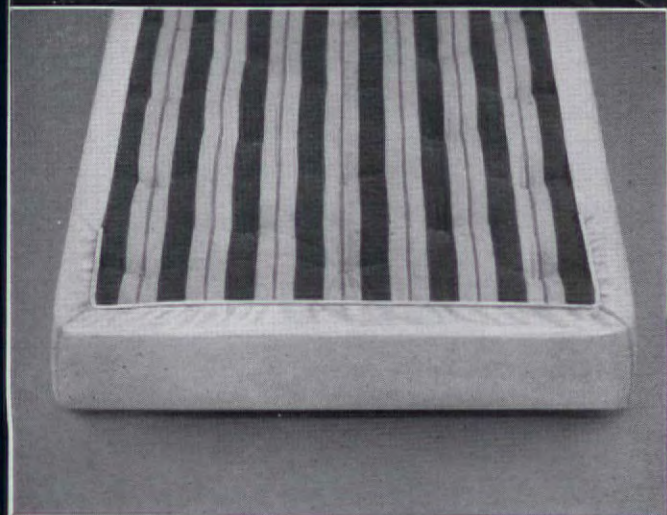
Make another tracing-paper drawing and start experimenting with more refined shapes; also start indicating where the specific items might best be located.



Continue to make tracing-paper drawings, reworking the shapes of your main elements and adding more of the details, until you have a complete landscape plan.



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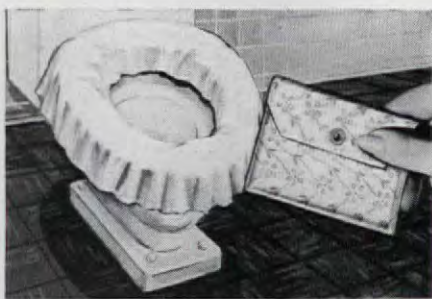
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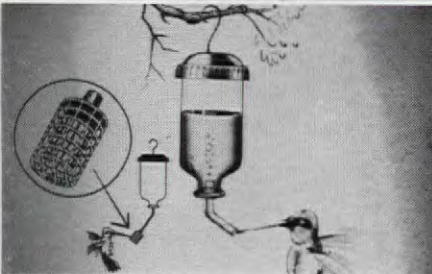
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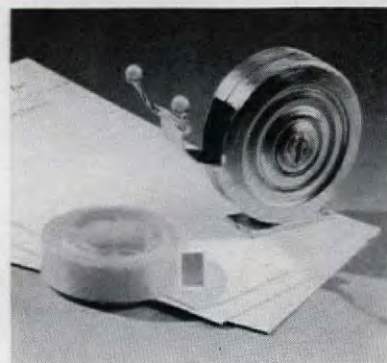
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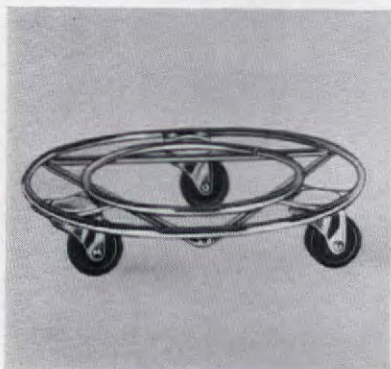
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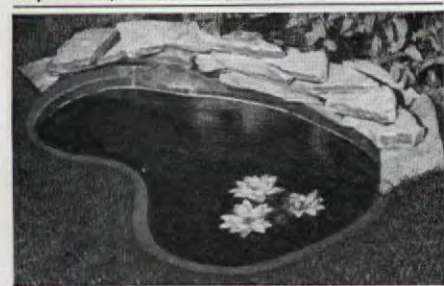
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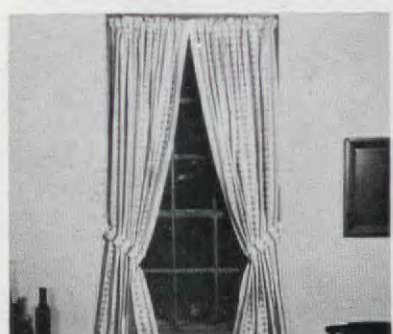
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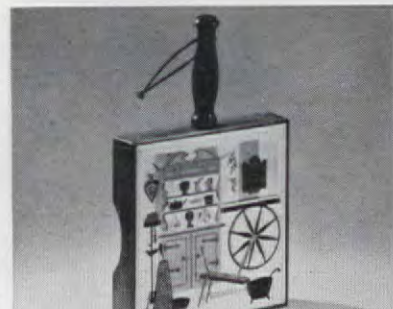
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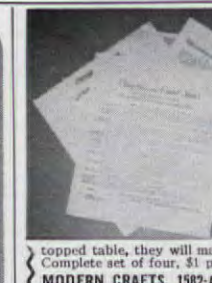
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BUILT-IN CUSHION: Hard-surface flooring has been given a new soft touch by Congoleum-Nairn who call it "Cushionflor." Handsomely designed, easy to care for, it is a vinyl foam cushion permanently attached to the underside or "wear layer" of the floor covering which makes it soft to walk on. The cushion acts as a draft dodger, too, because of the insulating qualities of vinyl foam. Available in 6', 9', and 12' widths, it can be cut with scissors or knife; it is easy to install.

IT'S CLEANUP TIME: If the upholstery fabric looks dull and tired give it a new lease on life with Bissell's aerosol shampoo. The spray-can feature helps to eliminate the hazard of soaking the fabric and gives excellent results. Another Bissell offering is a rug shampoo applicator fitted with two sponge rollers and two sets of brushes. Easy and lightweight to use, it is fitted with a tank which will hold 100 ounces of cleaning fluid. Another new household item, manufactured

by Curtis Products, is an all-purpose calking fluid which comes in an aerosol spray can. It will neatly waterproof cracks around bathtub, sink, and plumbing fixtures.

ONE-PIECE RANGE HOOD: Crest Industries has started to manufacture a new range hood made of fiber glass. Believed to be more efficient than metal, it is easy to install and, because it is made in one piece, it is a dream to keep clean. An added bonus of the fiber glass range hood is its availability in six good decorator colors. The first models on the market will come in three widths: 30", 36", and 42". Prices are around \$50, available with or without vent.

PERFECT COORDINATION: Sheets and pillow cases, blankets, bedspreads, shower curtains, and towels, all by Fieldcrest, come in exquisite patterns inspired by antique tapestries, by flower and bird crewelwork. The beautiful colors perfectly match or complement each other, give your bedroom and bath a charming "one look" background. As an additional bonus, Fieldcrest has introduced a trio of children's soft cotton blankets screen-printed with gay designs of Mother Goose favorites, Alice in Wonderland, and Kids and Kites.

WATCH THE WEATHER: To foil the hazards caused by seasonal storms—electric failures, broken gas mains—look for a neat kit called the Turner Emergency Pack. It comes in a snug carton which is easy to store and handle. The portable stove has a windshield, the camp light provides as much light as a 125-watt bulb. With the four small propane fuel tanks, 42 hot meals can be prepared and 50 hours of light maintained. It is a fine accessory, too, for the men in the family who like to go camping.

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NEW LIFE FOR BATTERIES: There is a trend toward battery-powered home accessories. Toothbrushes, toys, and flashlights are almost commonplace items in any house. Now, instead of throwing weak batteries away, they can be revived by means of a new electronic device called Plug'N Charge. A small box which will hold up to four batteries is plugged into house current, will recharge alkaline, mercury, nickel cadmium, or dry-cell types. Its teammate Plug'N Play is designed to recharge transistor radios. Both will help reduce the cost of operation and add smooth efficiency to the small creature comforts which make life pleasant.

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LONGER-LIVED CUT FLOWERS? The U. S. Department of Agriculture scientists have discovered a technique that may enable florists to treat cut flowers to make them last almost twice as long as they do at present. They've found that cut rosebuds stored for 20 hours in an atmosphere containing 0.25 per cent ethylene oxide do not open completely for 70 hours, whereas they ordinarily open in 40 hours. It'll take time, however, to develop the technique to the point where it's easy to use, dependable, and safe. You'll appreciate this from the fact that, while a 0.25 per cent concentration of the gas slows the opening of buds from 40 to 70 hours, a 0.3 per cent concentration stops it completely and makes them eventually turn brown. So don't hope to get your wish right away!

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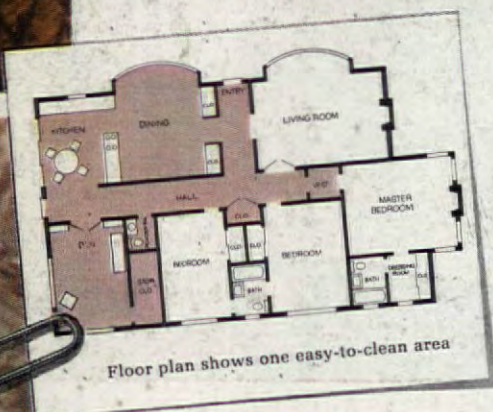
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