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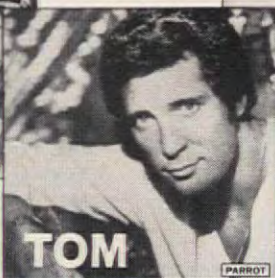
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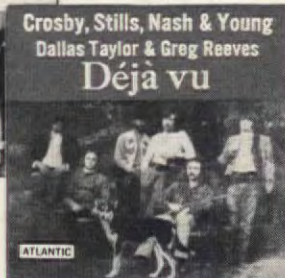
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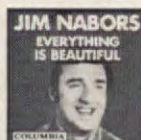
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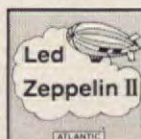
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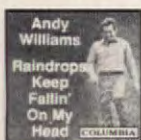
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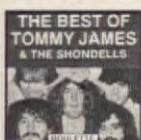
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cone, tops a Christmas  
tree made of pleated  
paper bags, one of the  
joyful, make-it-yourself  
projects you will find  
described on page 44.

Gingerbread and peppermint, cinnamon and chocolate, the rich  
aromas of Christmas have filled our halls, wafting from our kitch-  
ens, all month long. How those marvelous fragrances evoke  
Christmases past, the times when Christmas decorations, Christ-  
mas presents, Christmas foods were more often made than  
bought. Remember the joys of making and giving, the special  
warmth of receiving a present made especially for you? Wouldn't  
you rather have a box of Apricot-Coconut Balls homemade by  
the children next door (see page 62) than a box of drugstore  
chocolates?

It is in this spirit that we prepared this issue. Not only is it  
full of a rich abundance of foods to make, to give or to serve for  
your holiday entertaining, but of decorations for the house, the  
yard, for your packaging; of toys and a crèche, of lights and  
candles, of trees and flowers. Starting with the Popcorn-Ball Tree  
on our cover, there is a project to challenge you on almost every  
page. Some are child's play, and others will bring out the latent  
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on page 43 shows how. We hope that your family gets as much  
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needle, the glue or the scissors, you'll be in good company.  
Everybody is doing it. One of the most reassuring signs we find  
in America is the reawakening of the crafting spirit that was  
once so native to us, but got stored on a shelf during the super-  
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*Fred Smith*  
Editor



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**Ann Anderson (left) prepares a holiday-gift batch of sweet and garlicky pickles—her seasonal specialty. Another of her hobbies: pressing and drying wild flowers for use in her home.**

**Ann and Pat Anderson** felt unavoidably drawn and quartered by the urban scene. Life in Washington, D.C., left them with little involvement in community affairs. To get a tree planted in the park, according to Ann, practically required an act of Congress. So a year and a half ago, when the Andersons, both professional writers, found themselves longing for "a lifestyle with a different beat," they took a Sunday drive and wound up in Waterford, Va., a hideaway village in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, and "a place," they say, "like no place else. It was like walking back into a forgotten time."

Only 45 miles from Washington's city-sprawl, Waterford was settled in 1732 by Quakers. It flourished in the 18th and 19th centuries, then slowly went to seed until some 30 years ago when history buffs moved in, armed with hammer and brush, and restored it to its full Colonial bloom. "Visitors claim Waterford looks like a movie set," says Ann, "and I guess it does." Indeed, if it weren't for the car-poolers shuttling to and from Washington each day, you'd start looking around for Betsy Ross. Yet Waterford is a uniquely all-together town in which community interests cut across age and economic lines. "Even at small dinner parties," adds Ann, "people of all sorts come together."

The Andersons bought a Federalist house (circa 1813) shaded by a pair of titanic chestnut trees. They painted and papered on their own, blanketing the study in wide-awake red. Here Pat wrote his most recent novel, *The Approach to Kings*. (He wrote an earlier work, *The Presidents' Men*, while the Andersons lived near Washington's Capitol Hill.) Ann, besides tending 3-year-old Laura, commutes three days a week to Washington as writer-consultant to the decennial White House Conference on Children and Youth. The rest of the week she's likely to be found in the kitchen steeped in brine—with pickles, that is, a preserving art she learned in Tennessee, where the Andersons met and married during their cub-reporter days in Nashville. Over the years, she has brined and jarred her pickles as Christmas gifts. Last season she was asked to test her talents before the Waterford Historical Society. She passed muster, and her pickles now line the shelves of the Society's gift shop and the Waterford Foundation's Corner Store, an operation whose proceeds are used for the restoration and preservation of the village.

Pat and Ann have taken to Waterford ways as easily as pioneers to their buckskin breeches. They recently held an open house for some 2,000 tourists attending the town fair. They've also planted a garden and bought a pony. Not a bad beginning for city folks.

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# Lifestyle

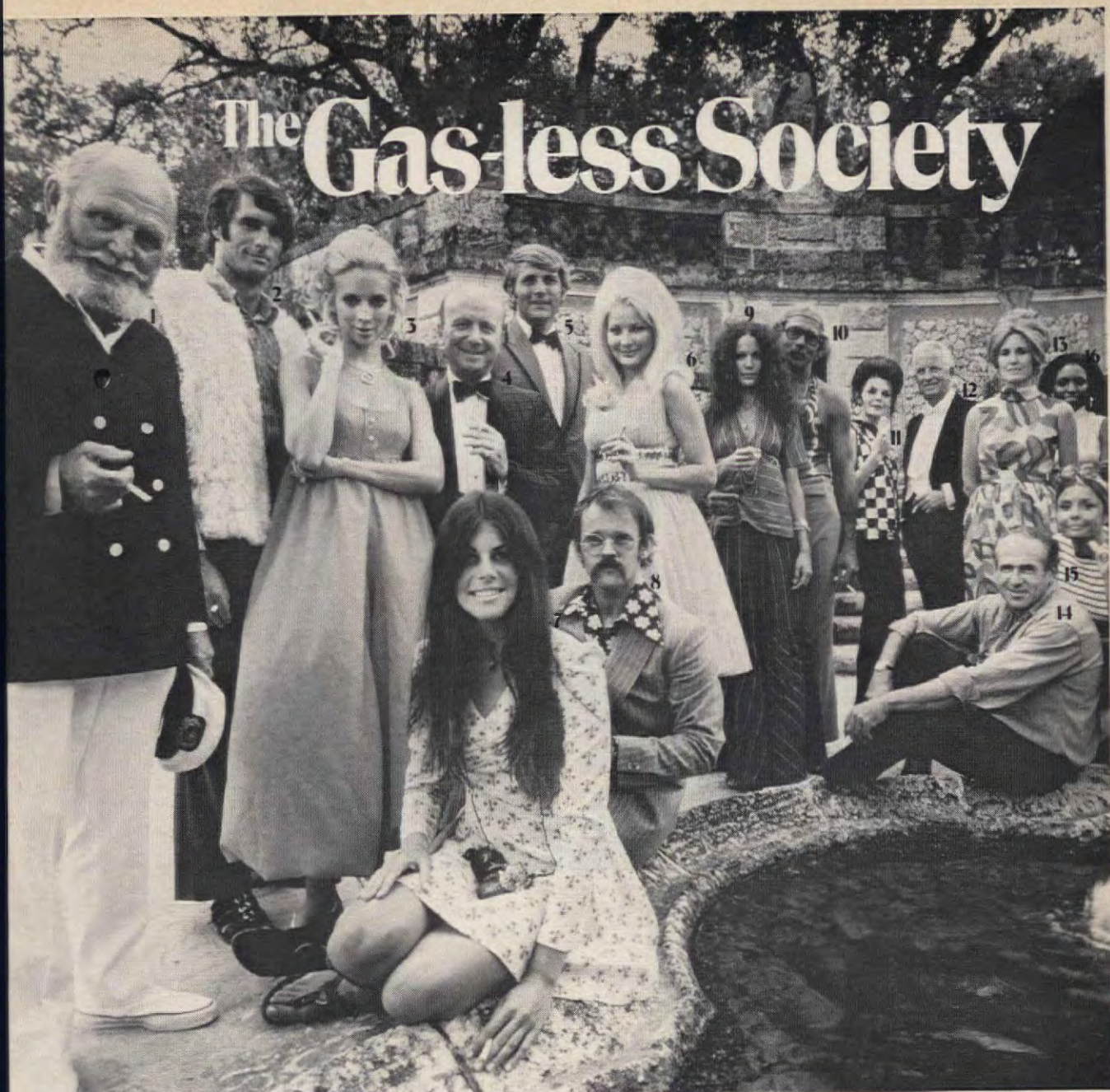
"Waterford," says Pat (below, with Laura and Ann), "is a place where the barber still cuts everybody's hair on Friday night. I like that." Laura, a little charmer in calico, likes life in Waterford, too.

Al Francekevich





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Baby Jason, spurred on by Mom, brother Dana and sister Allison, makes the big slide down the ramp of the supergraphic Playhouse. Instructions to make the Playhouse, a Stits creation, are on page 45.

## LIFESTYLE continued

**Darla and Joe Stits** are crazy for kids. But seemingly unable to have any of their own, they decided to adopt. Since in Los Angeles, as in most big cities, there are lots of racially mixed children awaiting adoption, the Stitses sought out a local agency that places children of all heritages. "We just wanted kids," says Joe, "whatever color." They brought home Dana, now 7, and two years later, Allison, now 5. Then a year and a half ago, to the family's delight, Darla gave birth to Jason. "Both Dana and Allison have been informed of their adoption and racial background," says Darla, "because we feel that identity is so important to a child's development. But it would be wrong for us to overemphasize racial factors. We have a strong sense of family unity."

Dana was still a tot when the Stitses realized that the jazziest toys ran long on price while others fell short on fun. Toy manufacturers didn't seem to take a child's point of view. So Darla and Joe, who

**Joe and Darla Stits hold their latest design: a circus wagon, custom-built for hauling stuffed animals. Their giraffe wagon, in the foreground, was made for tiny clowns and can be pulled by the handles, tugged by its tail, loaded with toys.**



teaches high-school history and crafts, took to turning out playthings on their own, and now they are making their designs to be sold in stores around the Los Angeles area. "Darla comes up with the original design and I try to make it work," says Joe. He stays away from overworked plastics in favor of bang-and-clink wood. The Playhouse (above, and shown in how-to detail on page 45), made from two sheets of plywood, is a child's delight of peekaboo windows, slither-through holes and a slide ramp. "Our only formula is 'Make sure it's fun,'" Joe explains. "Toys should be brightly colored to grab a child's eye. Adults have learned not to touch, to hold back and hesitate. But I never met a child who didn't march up to a fun-looking thing and dig in playing." For Darla and Joe, who also make puppets, crib toys, puzzles and plywood castles, it's all part of a day's play.





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THE GOOD-LOOKING HOMEMAKER

By Constance Bartel

## BEAUTY AND THE BATH

Little per-  
sonal luxuries that make holiday giving easy.

There's not a feminine creature on your list—from your  
teen-age niece to your mother-in-law to your most fashion-  
able friend—who won't enjoy getting something luxurious  
for the bath this Christmas.

Bath salts, lotions, powders and soaps, like those shown  
above, make sure-to-please Christmas gifts. (And what  
nicer way to display them than on a Lucite two-tier shelf  
and pedestal soap dish from New York's Lucidity, Inc.!)  
The price range is so wide that you can splurge or stay well  
within your budget. And the shopping is convenient. You  
can easily order by telephone or by mail without bucking  
the holiday crowds.

Most bath products begin with a fragrance and then  
proliferate from there into a dazzling variety of forms—  
salts, gels, lotions, dusting powders, spray-on liquid pow-  
ders, soaps, milk baths, mineral baths, liquid soaps, shower  
products, bath oils and, of course, cologne, toilet water,  
perfume and solid perfume. For Christmas gifts, nearly all  
of these are packaged in combinations of two, three, four  
or more—up to and including the luxurious entire collec-  
tion in one fragrance. But because these combinations in  
their infinite variety are impossible to list in anything  
smaller than a directory, those we've selected are mostly  
single products. However, every product we cover comes  
in other forms, in combinations and at varying prices. If  
you like a particular fragrance that we mention in a bath  
oil, but you prefer to give bath salts, just ask for the salts.

For starters, what about Estée Lauder's Azurée Per-  
fumed Bath Crystals in an impressive green-glass apothec-  
ary jar (\$10), which she'll treasure long after the crystals  
are used? Or a giant 32-ounce version of the same jar (\$20)  
filled with European Mineral Bath Salts?

Charles of the Ritz's haunting Ritual fragrance comes  
in a Dry Milk Bath which is poured into a golden shaker  
canister (like the ones used for powdered sugar) and sprin-  
kled into the tub. Wrapped in a pink-and-red paisley print  
and tied with a plush orange ribbon, it sells for \$7.50.

For very modern, world-of-the-future types on your list,  
Fabergé's Xanadu is the obvious choice. Xanadu Sham-  
peau Liquid Lather is a liquid body soap in a see-through  
Cantini that looks like a little oil can. The Shampeau, in  
tandem with a huge, round bowling-ball sponge with two  
holes for gripping and a third for (continued on page 20)



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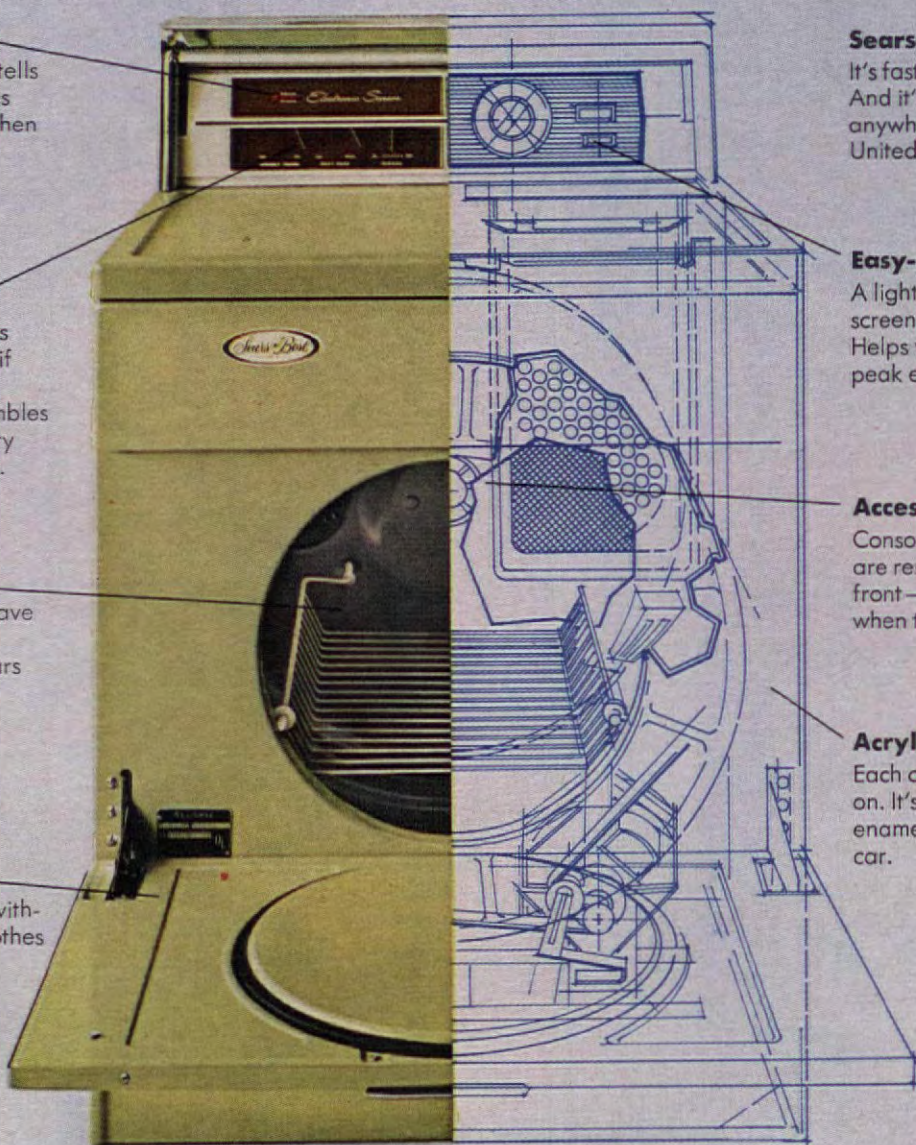
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By Dorothy Lambert Brightbill

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Anthony Cutroneo



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## BEAUTY AND THE BATH continued from page 14

squirting in the soap, is \$7.50.

Lovers of Houbigant's Chantilly (and they are legion) will bless you for Chantilly Satin Smooth Body Lotion (\$5) and positively flip for the deluxe Essence de Chantilly Parfum de Toilette Spray Mist in a sparkly flacon (\$6). Or if she has an eye for elegant understatement, give her a round, gold box adorned with a crown and filled with Chantilly Dusting Powder. This is La Boîte d'Or Heritage and costs \$7.50.

Yardley's love-in-a-Persian-garden fragrance, Khadine, which contains myrrh and patchouli among other Eastern scents, is wrapped in an irresistible Persian print and includes Khadine Perfume Oil for Bath and Body (\$5), Body Lotion (\$5) and Creme Bath (\$7.50).

Polly Bergen's Tortue fragrance comes in smashing little burgundy patent pouches with shiny clasps or in decorative apothecary jars. Parfum de Tortue Bath Powder, in burgundy patent leather, is priced at \$7.50. Tortue Bare Skin Perfume sells for \$12.50 and Foaming Milk Bath costs \$15.

Elizabeth Arden's newest bath plea-

sure is called Seaqua. The Seaqua Sea Gelee is \$5. But if you know a Blue Grass fan, then one of Arden's famous gift baskets is the thing. A super gift would be Blue Grass Bath and Fragrance Mates—a roomy wicker basket that's laden with Flower Mist, Puff-Puff, Perfume Mist, Foaming Beauty Bath, Fluffy Milk Bath, Hand Soap and Solid Cologne—all for \$25.

For the traditionalist with a sentimental attachment to fragrant old favorites, consider Yardley's Bouquet of Floral Soaps nested in a long narrow box blooming with old-fashioned flowers. The French-milled soaps come in mixed fragrances—Red Roses, April Violets, English Lavender, Crushed Carnation, Springflowers. Nine cakes sell for \$7.50. Shulton's Early American Old Spice Body Sachet is \$1.25. Desert Flower's newest is a Body Shampoo, priced at \$3. And from Calgon comes their latest Bath Oil Droplets that soften and moisturize. Tab: \$1.98.

Revlon's Ultima Collection sports sophisticated pink and silvery reptile cases, from Enriched Body Lotion

(\$5.50) to The Baggerie, a deluxe zippered duffle bag containing Spray Bath Powder, Eau de Parfum Spray, Enriched Milk Bath, Enriched Body Lotion and Ultra Perfume Spray—an important gift at \$27.50.

For girls who love fashionable, status names, to say nothing of the delicious fragrances which go with them, there's Givenchy Shower Bath Oil Spray, in either L'Interdit or Le De (\$7.50). Or try Miss Balmain Parfum de Bain (\$5) or Yves St. Laurent's new Rive Gauche—Body Spray Parfum (\$6), Moisture Spray (\$6), Spray Soap (\$4).

Max Factor, in addition to the complete Hypnotique (Foaming Bath Oil, \$4.75), Primitif (Bubbling Bath Crystals, \$3.95) and Golden Woods (Bath Perfume Oil, \$3.75) Collections, has enchanting stocking-stuffers. A package of Bath Seeds (\$3.95), looking like garden seeds, makes bath bubbles in four scents. Imported British Bath Fizzers, also from Max Factor, are cubes that add scent and sparkle. There are 32 fizzers (\$3.95) in four scents—Lavender, Rose, Muguet and Lemon. **END**





# Should an 8-year-old worry about cholesterol?

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Tiny packages, ribbon-wrapped, bedeck this Evergreen Cone Tree designed by George Cothran Flowers of New York.



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Gift-box tree conveys bright season's greetings in an entrance foyer or on a side table. Design is by Hallmark.



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ALL ABOUT DECORATING By Vera D. Hahn

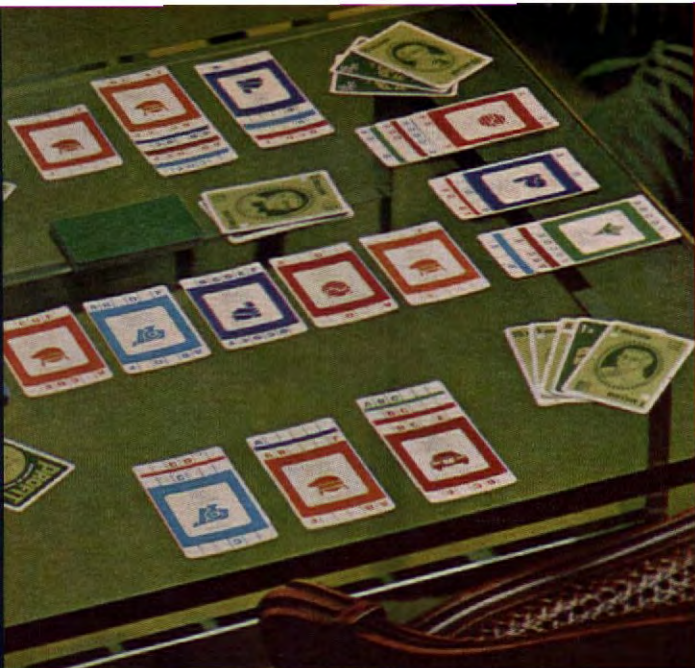
## DO NOT OPEN... EVEN AT CHRISTMAS

Pretty gift boxes add so much to the festive scene that it almost seems a pity to unwrap them on Christmas. Have you ever thought about purely decorative packages, containing nothing and designed never to be opened? They're easy to make and can be used, as here, in many ways—hung as tree ornaments, piled atop one another for a stylized tree or assembled into a wreath. Directions for the gift-box tree and wreath are on page 48, where you'll also find how to's for the Evergreen Cone Tree, a bigger project but well worth the time.



Holiday wreath, to be hung or used flat on a table, is made from packages in color-coordinated Hallmark paper.





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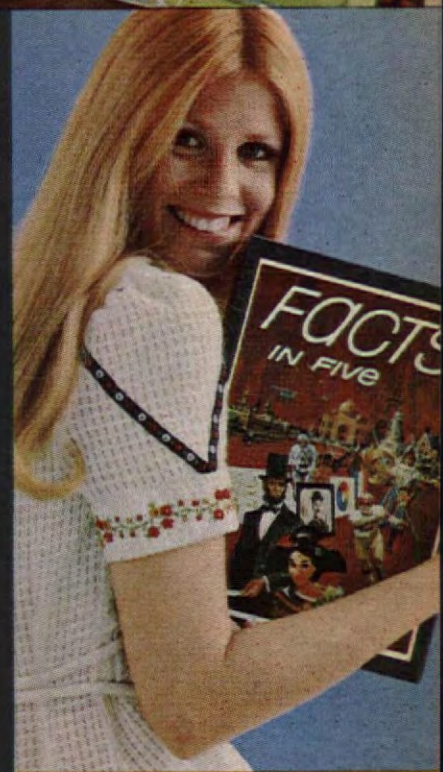
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# DECORATING NEWSLETTER

How to resolve the "couples" gift dilemma with choices to please them both.

Even though you are the greatest match-maker of them all from January through November, chances are you'll wish all your friends were single come Christmas-shopping time. That's because it is so much easier to buy a gift for Him or for Her than it is to find something appropriate for Them.

It is the couple-to-couple or family-to-family present that's apt to be the real problem on your Christmas list. Ideally, you want a gift that will please both husband and wife, one that they

can share and that will give them equal enjoyment. So forget that handsome, massive bronze desk set that's only for Him or the adorable, ruffled eyelet embroidery pillow destined for Her. Instead, consider the following suggestions for presents from both of you to both of them.

## HOUSE GIFTS

House gifts are among the best ideas. However, they do require imagination, observation and knowledge of the couple's tastes and habits. All this means,

of course, is that you've spent more than money, making the well-chosen house gift doubly welcome.

The more glamorous among the small electric appliances immediately come to mind. An electric ice-crusher or ice maker will work for both him and her. So will a warming tray or a serving cart with a built-in warming tray. A second blender for the bar or country house—or one that cooks as well as blends—might be suitable. For your coffee-drinking friends, attractive insulated pitchers will keep a brew hot for eight hours or more without ruining the flavor.

Mini-refrigerators in furniture style are perfect for a den, family room or second home and they also make great night tables.

For gregarious types who throw large parties, super-size electrical appliances, like a multi-cup coffee urn, make a lot of sense. So do extra-large serving platters (most practical in plain, go-with-everything white). Another boon to partying are clear plastic glasses that come in all shapes and sizes, from sherry to champagne, and are usually wrapped by the dozen so that all you have to add is a bright bow or card.

More formal party-givers are probably table-linen collectors. It might be a good idea to find out if they prefer mats or cloths, also the size of their table and the style, color and design of their party china. Candlesticks or candelabra, again to match the dining-room decor, are ever welcome to couples who frequently play host, especially in this gala holiday season.

## FOR HOBBYISTS

Hobbies make giving easy. Enologists (wine lovers) are always interested in glasses. Special types, such as the "balloon" for Burgundy sniffing and sipping or the delicate Rhine wine glass are highly appreciated. So are antique or reproduction *taste-vins*, those shallow wine-tasting cups with round handles, or wine-bottle coasters. And don't forget that many Southerners still like to drink their wine out of footed silver goblets. A wine rack is a foolproof present for any couple

# The super slice slot.

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interested in wine. Also, an addition to the wine library is always a pleasant gift surprise.

Other hobbyists easily pleased at Christmas are book lovers with a well-stocked home library. Consider yourself lucky if you number some of this happy breed among your friends, for library steps and ladders make excellent gifts, especially those wonderful elephant-mounting ladders that look like a fat piece of bamboo until they are unfolded.

If exercise via home workouts is your friends' hobby, look into exercise equipment. There's a raft of body-building gadgets available at modest cost.

Are there any football addicts in your crowd? If so, they can always use lap robes and waterproof cushions for the big weekend games. And campers will appreciate a king-sized sleeping bag with its own air mattress. Or how about a good pair of binoculars? They'll get plenty of use by bird-watching enthusiasts or any couple who enjoy the outdoors together.

At one of those hundreds of Japanese import shops across the country, you can assemble a fitted picnic basket—complete with color-coordinated plates, glasses, mugs, serving dishes, napkins, pitchers, tablecloth and anything else your fancy and wallet dictate. It's fun to put together and far less expensive than the elaborate, pre-fitted picnic hampers on the market.

## THE PERSONAL TOUCH

Electrical personal-care items are usually woman-oriented, but this year His and Her hand hair dryers and hot combs are available for the first time. And for the couple on the go, an electric wrinkle-steamer is easier to use than a travel iron. Though cosmetics have developed strong male-female polarities, such popular scents as pine and sandalwood are appropriate for both husband and wife and thoroughly enjoyable as luxurious soaps they might not think of buying for themselves.

## BY SPECIAL ORDER

In New York, there is a baby-sitting service that sells gift-subscription book-

lets. If you don't happen to live in Manhattan, try to make arrangements with a reliable, local sitting service for one to 10 evenings of baby tending. Naturally, these should be scheduled at your friends' convenience.

If they both love fresh flowers, why not work out a similar subscription with your local florist? You pay him a lump sum and he arranges to deliver flowers once a week or once a month for a prescribed period of time. Leave him a list of room color schemes and a general description of the house. State its style and give him some idea of the couple's lifestyle—are they breezy and casual or traditional and formal?

Do your friends have a real working fireplace? If they do, then they might enjoy regular deliveries of logs. This couple-to-couple gift would be particularly treasured by city friends who rarely light their fireplace because logs are such a luxury. Announce your log subscription with a note taped to a box of long fireplace matches.

And if they both work, nothing would please them more than a subscription for several dinners *à deux* to be delivered to their house by a catering or send-out food service. It's a great way for a favorite couple to enjoy a relaxing evening at home after having a hectic day at the office.

END



# CREAM OF THE COOKBOOK CROP

New cookbooks are always a hit at Christmas—both with the family chef and those who savor her culinary accomplishments. The books that follow, a selection of the year's best, run the gamut of the current scenes: ecological, economic and ethnic.

*The Best of Shaker Cooking* (Macmillan, \$10) by Amy Bess Miller and Persis Fuller gets it all together. The Shakers' pure and simple approach to the preparation of food is very much to our modern taste. They fought adulteration of food products—a cause that has become very close to us today. But they weren't health-food cranks; their

cooking is delicious and not extravagant and the book makes good reading. The historical background is especially lively.

Even cookbook writers seem to be feeling the money pinch. *How to Eat Better for Less Money* (Simon and Schuster, \$6.95) by James Beard and Sam Aaron is a reasonably priced, sensible guide to food and drink. Beard's recipes are simple and good and Aaron covers our California wines. *Adventures in French Cooking* (Macmillan, \$9.95) by Myriam Guidroz is an excellent book for family cooking. The recipes are imaginative and not too expensive.

If you want to try ethnic specialties,

there's *The Cookbook of the United Nations* (Simon and Schuster, \$5.95). The U.S. has contributed Mrs. Harry Truman's Ozark Pudding ("Do not be dismayed when this 'pudding' rises high, then falls before time to remove it from the oven. It is supposed to do so.") There are also such esoteric items as Palaver Stew from Ghana. But the book is valued chiefly for its African recipes (after all, 42 of the 126 member nations of the UN are African).

From Africa to Asia. One of the most attractive books of the season is *The Korean Cookbook* (Follett, \$4.95) by Judy Hyun, a young American married to a Korean. Korean cuisine is comparatively little-known in the U.S., but judging from the recipes Mrs. Hyun gives us, her book should change all that.

The best of the new French cookbooks is in the old extravagant tradition. Written by Richard Olney, an American expatriate from Marathon, Iowa, now living on the Riviera, *The French Menu Cookbook* (Simon and Schuster, \$10) is intensely personal and highly professional. The book is in the form of seasonal menus, and the preparation of each dish is lovingly described.

Michael Field's new book, *Al Manner of Food* (Knopf, \$8.95) spares us no detail, either. The author warns us at the outset that he never takes anything for granted. The essays that introduce each chapter (on garlic, cheese, the lemon, the egg, pasta) are models of erudition, and the recipes are from the world over.

Christmas has a way of making all of us want to bake a cake. *The Viennese Pastry Cookbook* (Macmillan, \$10) by Lilly Joss Reich is a book mainly for cooks who are expert enough bakers to own a springform pan, an essential piece of equipment for Mrs. Reich's superb Christmas torte. If you want to bake cookies for Christmas gifts, the recipe for Hussar Rounds makes delicious cookies that improve with keeping. For beginners, *Our Daily Bread* (Funk & Wagnalls, \$9.95) by Stella Standard, includes recipes for a German Holiday Cake, an Italian sugar bun and a Norwegian Christmas Bread. Happy cooking!—Frances M. Crawford

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Melt margarine in 3-quart saucepan. Add marshmallows and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until marshmallows are melted and mixture is very syrupy. Remove from heat. Add Rice Krispies cereal and stir until well-coated. Shape with buttered hands into Clown Pops, Snowmen, Toy Animals, and other "Festive Treats" pictured above. See recipes at right.

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**CLOWN POPS**—Shape warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture to form 12 flat-bottomed ovals; insert wooden skewers. When cool, decorate with frosting, raisins, nuts or cookie decorations to make clown faces.

**SURPRISE BALLS**—Shape warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture into 24 balls around surprise center of a gumdrop, raisins, walnut half, pitted date or candied cherry. Roll in colored sugar or flaked coconut; cool.

**PUDDIN' TART SHELLS**—Press thin layer of warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture into buttered muffin-pan cups or custard cups to form tart shells. Let stand until firm; remove from pans. Just before serving fill with pudding, sweetened whipped cream, ice cream, or fresh fruit.

**SNOWMEN**—Shape warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture to form 3 balls of decreasing size for each snowman; roll in flaked coconut. When cool, put balls together with thick confectioners sugar frosting to make snowmen; decorate with raisins, cinnamon candies and gumdrops.

**TOY ANIMALS**—Press warm Rice Krispies cereal mixture into buttered shallow pans in a layer about 1/2-inch thick. When slightly cooled, cut into assorted shapes with buttered animal cookie cutters. Frost or decorate as desired.



# FROM HOME BASE Housewares and equipment for the giving season.

Package home-baked cookies, candies and plum puddings in Corning's Store 'n See containers with white, green, yellow or new wood-grain lids. After the goodies are gone, the containers make wonderful canisters. They're priced 89c-\$1.98.

For the fresh-orange-juice fan, Van Wyck International offers a handsome, easy-to-use, easy-to-clean electric juicer for under \$10. Present it with a stocking full of juice oranges.

Westinghouse combines safety with entertainment in its new radio for bicycles—complete with a headlight and flashing amber light for emergencies, all for under \$13.

The latest in lightweight, soft-bonnet hair dryers (the motor weighs only 7 ounces!) has a huge hood, big enough to cover a headful of the largest rollers, that floats over the curls so there is no elastic pressure on the forehead. It's from Sunbeam for under \$18.

If you're tired of serving warmed-over dinners to late-comers, treat yourself to the new Remington heated serving dish called Stay-Warm. Dividable into two compartments for different foods—or you can leave it as one—it sells for under \$20.

For the traveling gal, Sunbeam has a lovely new cordless, lighted cosmetic

mirror, no bigger than a shaver case. The price: under \$20.

Give the whole household Whirlpool's front-loading portable dishwasher (under \$340). Half the top is a cutting board and the other half is a food warmer with independent controls.

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—Maidee Kerr Spencer

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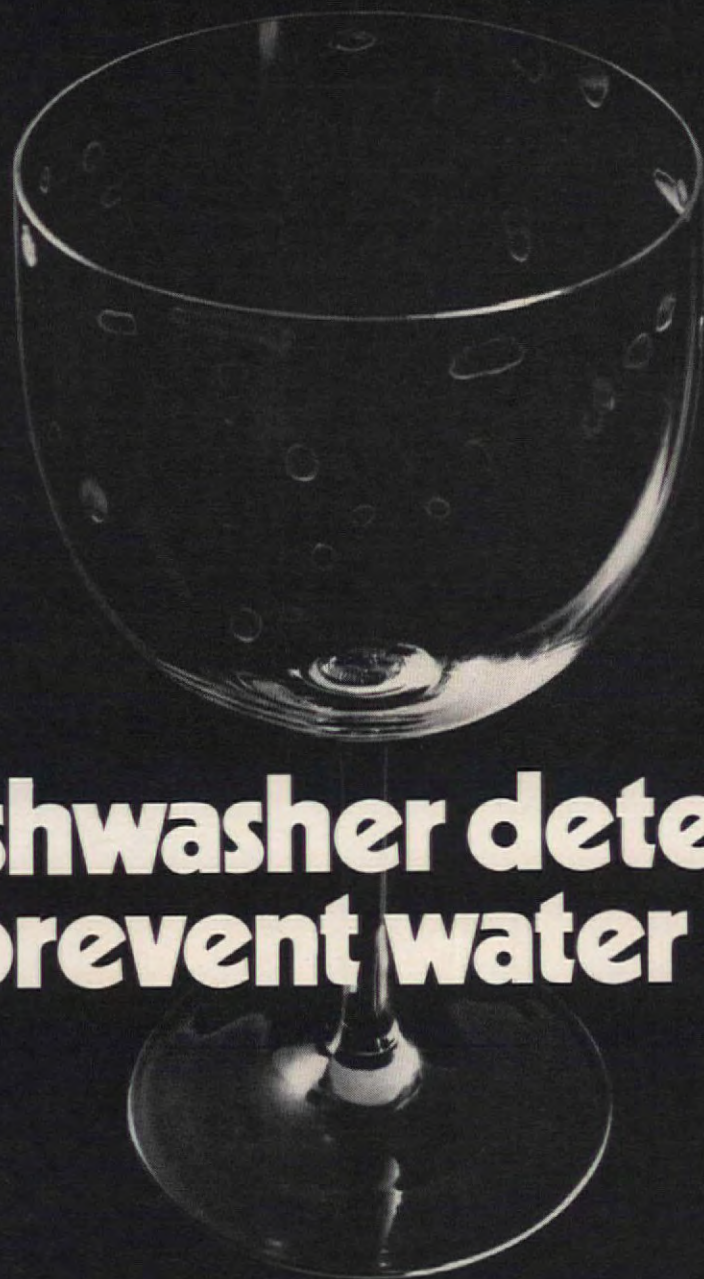
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# THE PLUMB LINE

## SOUNDS OF SILENCE

Although you might assume that life would be bliss if we could only get rid of the onslaught of noises that go along with the convenience of modern technology, there are thoughts to the contrary. Certain noises, according to Montclair, N.J., acoustical engineer Ray Donley, are considered integral to the quality of some appliances. In a paper read before an AMA Congress on Environmental Health, Donley noted that noiseless, small appliances are not likely to sell very well. Reason: The consumer will think the silent appliance inferior because it does not resound with the hum normally associated with power. On the other hand, with major appliances, the quieter the better the seller. We wonder if suddenly our world went as quiet as a primeval forest, would the noise of silence prevent people from working and sleeping?

## TRANSPORT TRENDS

If a PeopleMover can transport hordes through an amusement park like Disneyland, why not try the same principle to make cities more fun? Goodyear, who developed the Disneyland system, has come up with an adaptation tailored to urban needs. Under the Carveyor system, passengers at stations board cars moving at 1½ mph. As the cars depart, they move over a bank of accelerator wheels (no engine, thus no smoke or fumes) that increase movement to a speed of 15 mph. San Jose, Calif., Houston, Texas, and Akron, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio, are all taking a look at the system as a possible solution to their transportation problems. New York City may follow suit. It has tapped planners Rai Okamoto and William Liskamm to devise a similar system that would go from east to west on a main crosstown street, joining the United Nations, Park Avenue offices, Fifth Avenue stores, Broadway theaters, the projected West Midtown development and the dock area.

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### RECLAMATION AT REYNOLDS

People who ask, "How can we do our bit for the environment?" (hopefully, most of us), will be happy to know about the reclamation plan of Reynolds Aluminum. In states where reclamation centers have been set up—there are now 11 coast to coast—Reynolds will pay ½ cent per used (continued on page 87)





By Dorothy  
Lambert Brightbill

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# CHRISTMAS ON CAMERA

By Denise McCluggage

Tips from six professional photographers on capturing your house in its very best light.

Christmas is the time, with your house looking its holiday best, to take pictures—maybe to send to dear but distant relatives, perhaps for next year's Christmas card or maybe just to keep as a record of Christmases past. Here are suggestions from professional photographers who have shot many houses to help you do justice to yours.

Keep in mind that you are not a camera. Your two eyes see differently than a camera's single eye. To a camera, everything is on the same plane—flat. What to your vision is clearly behind something else—depth, the third dimension—to a camera may look as if it is growing out of an object in front. Thus do lamps sprout from people's heads and tables glue themselves to chairs.

How do you avoid the problem? "Simplicity is the key," says John Zimmerman, who photographed "Haven in New England Snows" on pages 52–55. "The simpler the decor, the better the picture." Richard Meek, who has photographed many of the "American Treasures" in *AH*, also pleads for simplification: "Try taking away some of the furnishings and pictures in the background."

The absence of clutter, however, doesn't mean emptiness; it means that the open space is used in the total composition. The camera, in ironing out the third dimension, can play tricks with spatial relationships, and the necessary space of actual living can appear as dull holes

in the picture. Look at some of the rooms pictured in this issue. You are apt to find furnishings pushed closer together than practicable for "real" comfort or objects arranged in a place where they would clearly be in the way if someone were "really" walking around that room. Only experience and experimentation will tell you what changes will make your room look more real and alive.

"Try arranging and grouping the objects in your room as a painter would do," suggests Fred J. Maroon, whose "Festive Holiday Buffet" photographs appear in this issue. "Put something in the far background, something in the middle and then something close." Just because a picture is by nature flat doesn't mean that it should *look* flat. And if there are people in the picture, he adds, give them the painting-like treatment, arranging them as part of the room instead of posing them in a stiff row.

Meek recommends putting something in the foreground of a picture to enhance the room, such as out-of-focus flowers. "They can give a picture both color and depth," he points out. He believes, too, that it is of the utmost importance to "define your subject, mentally and visually," before you start shooting. Decide what is the most important element. "Avoid two equal, competing forces in a picture," he advises (which is good advice for decorating a room in the first place). (continued on page 89)

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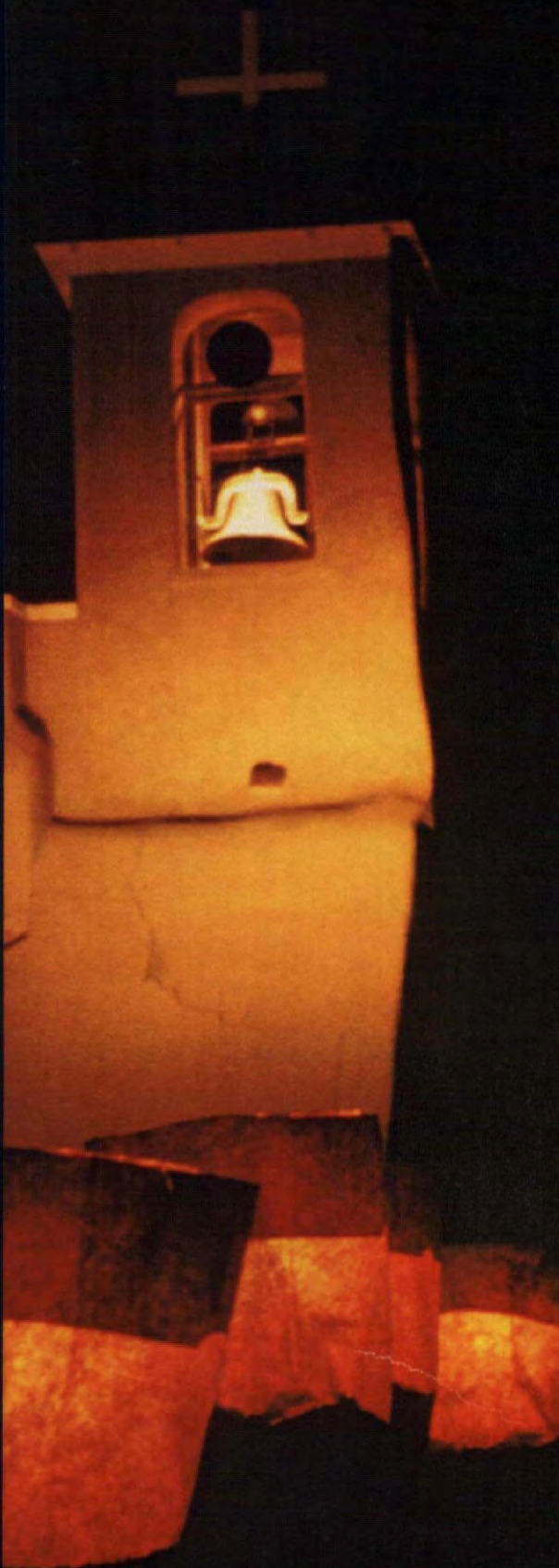
Christmas is to see. It is a festival of lights radiating its message around the world. (Here, sparkling brilliants settle like a shower of diamonds on the wintry trees of New York's Paley Park.) Christmas is to hear. Join us in a joyous, old-fashioned celebration with the Skitch Hendersons. Christmas is to taste, with tantalizing country-style and grand-manner buffet menus. Above all, Christmas is to make and to give—and in the following pages we give you a host of ideas to help you make this the merriest holiday ever.



Glittering firefly lights, as pictured on the preceding page, are blazing a holiday trail coast to coast. Yet candles have for centuries embodied the very spirit of Christmas. Even today they continue to light up our countryside. In the American Southwest, myriads of *luminarias*, candle-lit paper-bag lanterns, illuminate every building ledge and walkway. And the custom of using these primitive decorations, as shown here, is spreading to other parts of the country. Equally delightful—and also fashioned from a paper bag and candle—is the *fanal* (inset, opposite) of Haiti. Carried about by the children who make them, these church-shaped lanterns herald the joy of the Christmas season.







Michael Friedel



*Fanals*, like the one above, are made by Haitian children from brown paper bags. Lawrence Peabody, who designs home furnishings for Sears and winters in Haiti, collects them. "Boys and girls carrying their *fanals* up and down the steep mountain roads," he says, "mean Christmas to me." How-to's for the one pictured are given on page 47.

*Luminarias*, shown at left outlining the adobe enclosure of St. Francis Mission Church at Ranchos de Taos, N. M., are also fashioned from paper bags. To make yours, see page 46.

## THE BEAUTY OF CANDLE POWER



In their living room, aglow with Christmas decorations, the Hendersons—Skitch, Heidi, Ruth and Hans—gather for a game of backgammon. The towering tree, from the family farm in Vermont, is adorned with hand-carved figures from Germany (where Ruth grew up), shiny tin baubles from Mexico, a net of twinkling firefly lights and garlands of sparkling glass beads.







Hans and Heidi (above), who have joined in concocting cookies and gingerbread men since they were toddlers, consider themselves accomplished bakers. Although the floor is often as well-floured as the cookies, no one seems to mind. This year Heidi trimmed a Paper-Fan Tree (top, right) that she and friends, helped by her parents, made of paper bags, popcorn balls, ice-cream cones, cookies, nuts and gingerbread men. To make a Christmas tree just like it (shown completed at right), turn to page 44



By Helene Brown

# CHRISTMAS WITH THE SKITCH HENDERSONS

Amid the sleek, sophisticated holiday trappings of New York City, composer-conductor Skitch Henderson and family manage each year to celebrate a truly traditional Christmas full of old-fashioned pleasures. For this boundlessly talented household, however, Christmas preparations go on year-round. Encouraged by their mother, Ruth, youngsters Heidi, 8, and Hans, 9, make special presents for their favorite people. Hans fashions gifts of leather; Heidi, tiny needlepoint paintings and collages. After Thanksgiving, real activity sets in. The Hendersons' four-story house gets decorated inside and out. That means the making of wreaths and garlands, cinnamon-stick baskets, stylized Christmas trees. There's also popcorn to string and cookies and gingerbread men to be baked. (continued)



CHRISTMAS WITH THE SKITCH HENDERSONS continued

To usher in the Yuletide season, on the Sunday before Christmas Skitch leads a lively group of carolers through the neighborhood. And there are parties—lots of them, starting Christmas Eve when friends drop in to help the Hendersons trim their 20-foot tree, and ending with an open house on New Year's Day when the cookies, candies and nuts that were such a fragrant part of the decorations are shared by all.



Popcorn-Ball Tree (far left), decorative and delicious, also appears on this month's cover. Hans and Heidi Henderson, turned loose in a candy shop to buy the tasty trimmings, had great fun decorating this one. For instructions to make your own, see the opposite page.

Cinnamon-Stick Basket (left), one of several made each year by Ruth Henderson, becomes a holiday holder for a pot of bright poinsettias. How-to's for this container are also opposite.



Heidi (far left) dashes down the garlanded staircase to join her waiting family and friends. The occasion: a performance of that holiday favorite, *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, at the New York City Center.

Heidi's antique harp (left) was a Christmas gift from her parents last year. Skitch helps her tune up before evening guests arrive.

Stephen Green-Armytage



# 55 HAPPY IDEAS FOR HOLIDAY MAKING AND GIVING

From the fabulous Christmas tree on our cover to a simple crèche to treasure on page 51, here are decorative ways to spread Christmas all through your house. Some are ambitious family projects; others, simple enough for children. You'll see several pictured in this issue . . . plus many more. All make for a creative and money-saving approach to holiday preparations and for very special giving.

## POPCORN-BALL TREE

(Note: the tree shown opposite and on the cover, for which we give directions here, is 48 inches high. To make one only 24 inches high, reduce size and quantity of material by half. Also remember to reduce size of popcorn balls as indicated in recipe.)

225 popcorn balls (See recipe following to make your own. This is time-consuming, we admit, but many consider it well worth the effort. If you don't wish to make your own, popcorn balls can be purchased ready-made in some localities or ordered, at \$2.79 for a box of 60, through the Sears Christmas catalog.)

250 pieces coat-hanger wire (or galvanized wire), 5 inches long

1 piece hardware cloth, 3½-feet square

Chalk

Gloves

Wire cutters

Side-cutting pliers

3 sheets Styrofoam for filling wire cone, about 2 inches thick, each 8x36 inches. (Note: Styrofoam sheets may vary in size from area to area. If larger than required, merely cut sheets to size.)

Flowerpot, 8 inches in diameter, filled with sand

Wooden picks

Large gumdrops (about 1 pound)

Lollipops (about 8 dozen)

White glue

Assorted hard and berry candies

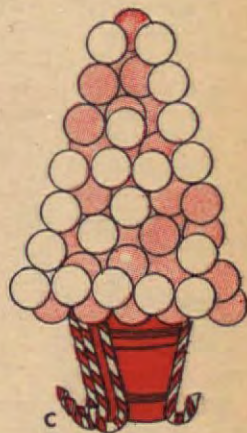
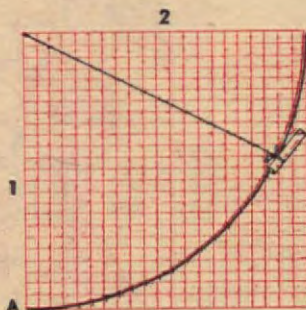
Assorted small artificial berries, fruits and leaves

1 box weather-strip caulking

Candy canes (3 dozen or more)

Make popcorn balls; when cool, insert 5-inch wires about 1 inch deep into balls. Fashion wire cone from 3½-foot hardware-cloth square as follows: Cut a piece of string 4 feet long. Attach a piece of chalk at one end. Tack other end of string to upper-left corner of hardware cloth. Length of string should measure 3½ feet from tack to chalk when pulled tight from the upper-left to upper-right corner. Draw a half-circle from upper-right to lower-left corner (see Diagram A).

Wearing gloves, cut curved line with wire cutters. Bend sides 1 and 2 to one another and lap over at meeting point until you have a cone with a 10-inch-diameter base. Bend and pinch loose ends of edges to cone with pliers. Cut Styrofoam sheets into strips and to stuff cone tightly. Run strips of tape across bottom to keep foam in cone. Tape the



cone snugly onto sand-filled flowerpot.

Push wired popcorn balls close to wire surface of cone in rows until surface is completely covered (see Diagram B). Insert additional popcorn balls in a second layer over the first layer of popcorn balls in order to give the tree a full, rounded shape (see Diagram C and photograph on opposite page).

Stick wooden picks into bottoms of gumdrops and insert these into popcorn balls. Place lollipops and candy canes at various angles between popcorn balls. Glue on candy, berries, fruits and green leaves as shown in photograph opposite. Put two strips of weather-strip caulking around top of flowerpot and another 1 inch from bottom of pot. Stick about 3 dozen candy canes around the pot (see Diagram C).

### POPCORN BALLS

(Work with only one recipe for 12 popcorn balls at a time. Syrup becomes too hard to mold if the popcorn balls are not shaped quickly.)

8 cups popped popcorn (Note: Generally, ¼ cup popcorn kernels will yield 8 cups popped corn.)

1 cup sugar

⅓ cup light corn syrup

⅓ cup water

Place popcorn in a large, well-buttered bowl. Combine sugar, corn syrup and water in 1-quart saucepan. Cook over medium heat until syrup reaches 240° on candy thermometer or a drop forms a soft ball when tested in ice water. Do not stir syrup. Pour hot syrup over popcorn immediately. Mix well with two forks. Butter hands; scoop up mixture and press lightly into 12 medium-size (about 3-inch diameter) popcorn balls (or 24 small-size balls for 24-inch tree).

## CINNAMON-STICK BASKET

(Size: 3¼ inches or 7 inches in diameter. See photograph opposite.)

1 box weather-strip caulking

1 flowerpot (3¼ inches or 7 inches in diameter)

Cinnamon sticks (Note: For the smaller pot, you will need about 5 dozen 4-inch sticks. For the larger pot, you will need about 9 dozen 10-inch sticks. Sticks in 10-inch lengths may be ordered by mail from Lekvar By The Barrel, 1577 First Ave., New York, N.Y. 10028, or Paprikas Weiss Importer, 1546 Second Ave., New York, N.Y. 10028. If you prefer, breadsticks can be substituted for cinnamon sticks.)

Red or moss-green velvet ribbon

Wrap two strips of caulking around pot 1 inch down from top and 1 inch up from bottom. On the smaller pot, wrap a third strip 1½ inches up from bottom.

For the smaller pot, break several cinnamon sticks into pieces about 1 inch long. Press short lengths into caulking all around bottom of pot (see diagram below). Then, above the short lengths, press longer lengths to top of pot. Sticks can overlap at bottom, and top should be uneven (pot should not show).

For the larger pot, press full-length cinnamon sticks from bottom to top, overlapping occasionally at sides. Keep sticks flush at base, but not at the top. Tie velvet ribbon around the pot.





## PAPER-FAN TREE

(Size: 48 inches high.)

See photograph, page 42.)

3½-foot hardware-cloth tree cone

(See materials and instructions for  
Popcorn-Ball Tree, page 43.)

300 pieces of brown  
paper, 6x2 inches

324 5-inch lengths galvanized wire  
or large paperclips, straightened

1 heavy-duty stapler

1 box ½-inch staples

Flowerpot, 8 inches in diameter,  
filled with sand or pebbles

Waffle ice-cream cones  
(about 20-24)

20-24 popcorn balls  
(See recipe on page 43.)

Threaded awl

5 dozen assorted cookies

15 Gingerbread Men (see recipe)

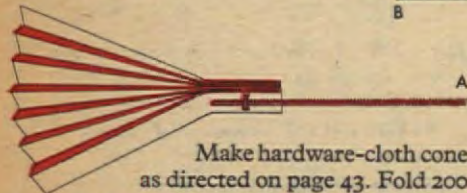
1 ball gold cord

1 ball brown cord

2 pounds walnuts,  
filberts, almonds (in shells)

8-inch-wide strip of corrugated  
paper, 32 inches long

1½ yards natural-color ribbon



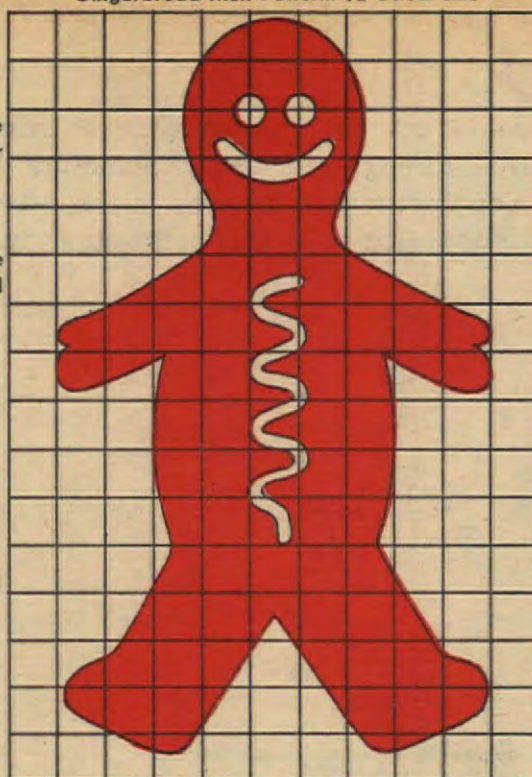
Make hardware-cloth cone  
as directed on page 43. Fold 200  
paper pieces in half the long way  
into 6x6-inch squares. Pleat into fans,  
folding each 12 times. Place 5-inch wire  
1 inch up onto each fan shank and staple  
(see Diagram A).

Attach each fan to wire cone by  
pushing fan wires snugly into Styrofoam  
filling in cone. Start with a row  
around bottom of cone (which rests  
securely on its flowerpot base), then  
add remaining fans at random angles—  
working toward the top—about two-  
thirds of the way up the cone. Pleat 75  
more fans, cut ½ inch off from shanks of  
fans and shorten wires 1 inch. Staple  
wires onto shanks. Attach to cone almost  
to top. Pleat the remaining 25 fans and  
cut 1 inch from the fan shanks. Shorten  
and attach wires as before. Arrange  
around top of cone. The last 3 or 4 fans  
should be vertical for point at top.

**Trimming.** Using a threaded awl,  
make a hole through the back of each  
ice-cream cone. (Back up cone with a  
small piece of wood for support.) Fill  
cones with wired popcorn balls (see  
recipe and wiring instructions on page  
43). Push wires through walls of cones  
and into tree between fans.

Pierce fans, cookies and Gingerbread  
Men (see recipe following) with a darn-  
ing needle to make holes for hanging.  
Use gold and brown cords to hang. Glue  
nuts to tree. Wrap corrugated paper  
around flowerpot; trim with ribbon.

Gingerbread-Men Pattern: ½ actual size



GINGERBREAD MEN

¾ cup molasses	1 teaspoon ground
1 cup butter	ginger
1 cup sugar	1 teaspoon ground
1 tablespoon vinegar	cinnamon
1 egg, beaten	¼ teaspoon salt
5 cups sifted,	Raisins
all-purpose flour	Almond halves
1½ teaspoons baking	Confectioners'
soda	Sugar Glaze

Heat molasses to boiling; pour over  
butter and sugar in large bowl. Add  
vinegar; stir until smooth. Cool. Add  
egg. Sift dry ingredients together; stir  
into molasses mixture. Cover; chill  
overnight.

Remove about ¾ cup dough from  
bowl (makes 1 cookie). Refrigerate re-  
mainder. Roll dough out on floured  
board with floured rolling pin to ¼-inch  
thickness. Cut out, using Diagram B as  
guide to making cardboard pattern.  
(Graph is ½ size. To enlarge, draw grid  
of ½-inch squares. Copy lines of figure  
over squares. Cut out and use to make  
cardboard pattern.) Transfer cookie to  
greased cookie sheet with 1 or 2 broad  
spatulas. Repeat, placing cookies about  
1 inch apart. Press raisins in dough  
for eyes and almond half for nose.  
Refrigerate dough scraps. Bake cookies  
at 350° 10 to 12 minutes. Transfer to  
wire racks; cool. Repeat procedure  
until all dough is used. Decorate with  
*Confectioners' Sugar Glaze*: Stir enough  
milk or water into 1 cup sifted con-  
fectioners' sugar to make it of spreading  
consistency. Pipe through decorator's  
tube with plain tip to form mouth and  
buttons. Makes about 15-18 Ginger-  
bread Men.

## ROCK-CANDY TREE

(Size: 12 inches high.)

2 cottage-cheese containers, about  
3½ inches in diameter

Foil paper (gold or colored, see  
instructions) to cover containers

Metallic ribbon to trim containers

1 cube Styrofoam, 2x2x2 inches

1 small pencil flashlight

White cardboard, 6 inches square

Wax paper

2 pounds clear or maple rock candy

Plastic cement

Clean cottage-cheese containers and  
cut out the bottoms, leaving rims in  
place. Place one container inside the  
other. Pleat gold paper for maple rock  
candy or colored foil paper for clear  
rock candy. (Color reflects through can-  
dy when tree is completed.) Wrap  
around container and trim with metallic  
ribbon.

Cut a hole in center of Styrofoam  
cube to hold flashlight tightly upright.  
Cut a white cardboard circle ¼ inch  
larger in diameter than the top of the  
container. Cut a 2-inch-diameter hole  
in the center of the circle. Next, starting  
on the outside edge of the cardboard  
circle, and overlapping slightly, as-  
semble a thick ring of rock-candy pieces  
(see Diagram A). Dribble plastic cement  
down between pieces and allow to dry.

On a large piece of wax paper, as-  
semble another ring of rock-candy  
pieces, slightly smaller than first in  
diameter but of approximately the same  
thickness. Dribble plastic cement be-  
tween pieces as you did with the first  
ring. Repeat procedure until you have  
7 rings, each one progressively smaller.  
Allow to dry 8 hours. Put a thick layer  
of plastic cement on top of the first  
large ring. Place second ring on top.  
Allow to dry 8 hours. Repeat proce-  
dure until all rings are in place.

You now have a tree-shaped, irregu-  
lar cone without a tip. Finish top of  
tree by gluing on individual pieces of  
rock candy to form tip (see Diagram B).

Insert flashlight into Styrofoam cube  
and place this unit into bottomless con-  
tainer. Light flashlight. Carefully set  
completed tree (on its cardboard cir-  
cle) over container with flashlight.

When you wish to shut off flashlight  
or replace its battery,  
lift off tree and con-  
tainer together. For  
an even more deco-  
rative touch, set the  
tree in the center of  
a flat, round mirror  
to double its sparkle.



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## TABLE DECORATIONS

1) Place a mirror flat in the center of the dining table. Mass together an assortment of chunky, dripless candles of varying heights in red, white and green. Place them in the center of the mirror. See how much prettier candlelight is when reflected from a mirrored base.

2) Make a little tree of bare branches sprayed white and anchored in a small wicker basket. Line basket with aluminum foil and fill with sand. If you are planning on tiny packages for Christmas, wrap them in papers of brown, gold and white and hang them from the tree.

3) Cut gold foil paper in the shape of a star, slightly larger than a conventional place mat. Fashion a lacy snowflake of silver foil paper several inches smaller than the star. This is easily done by cutting a circle of silver foil, folding it in half and then in half again. Now pleat several times until you have a fan. Cut free forms with scissors from the left edge and now the right, being careful not to join left and right cuts. Open flat and you have a lacy snowflake. Center over gold star.

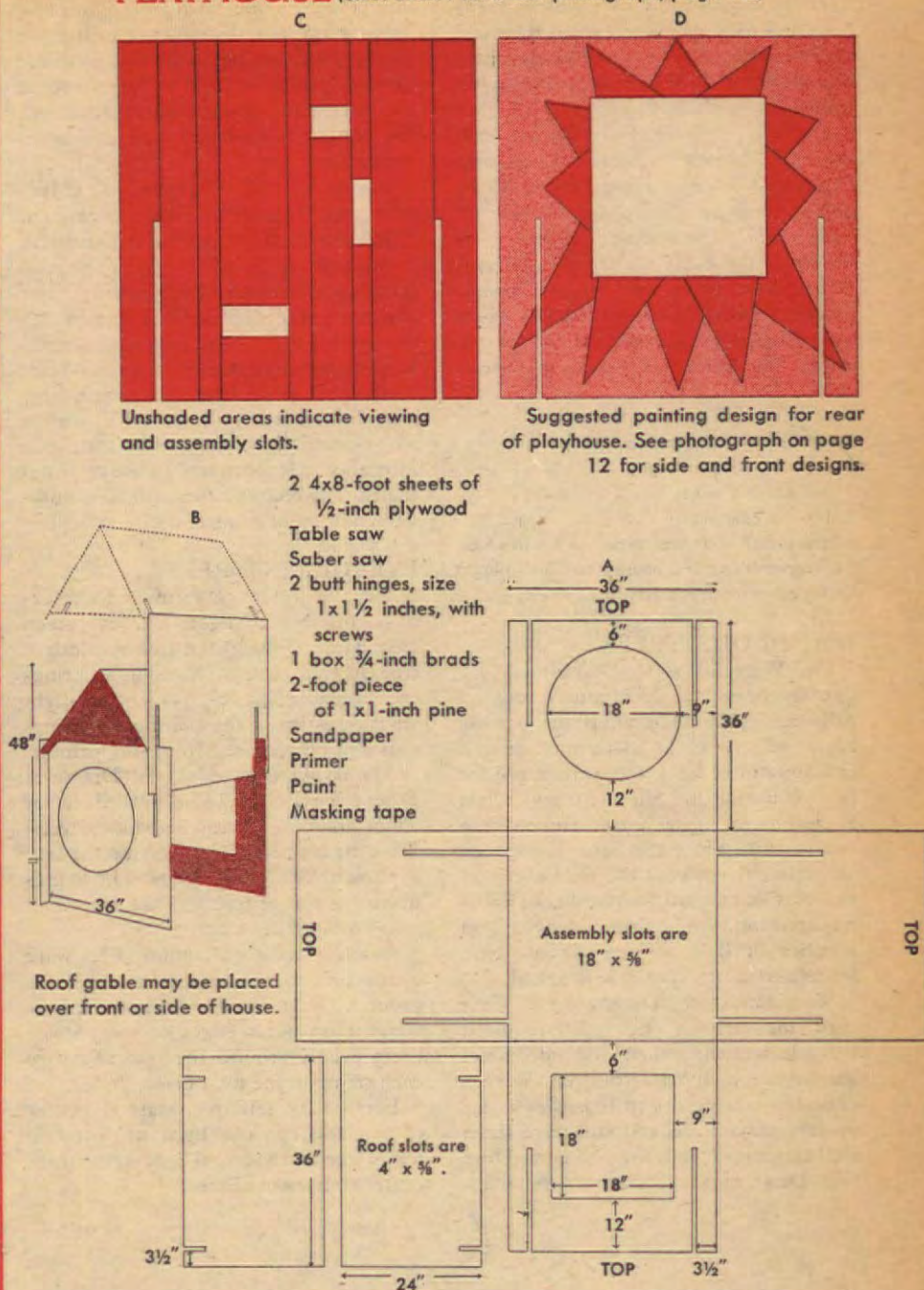
4) Glue a sheet of silver foil paper onto a sheet of gold foil paper with white glue. You now have a sheet with gold on one side, silver on the other. Cut out various-sized stars and snowflakes (see directions above in No. 3). Attach uneven lengths of nylon fishline or transparent nylon thread to tops of stars and snowflakes and tie to a 1/2-inch wooden dowel sprayed silver. Suspend from the ceiling over dining table.

5) For a white, silver and gold table, spray small wicker baskets with silver for each place setting (or for the center of the table). Place small glasses of water in baskets and fill with white flowers (or use a cluster of silver and white vases filled with white flowers). Tablecloth should be pristine white. To hold rolled, white napkins, use brass curtain clips trimmed with tiny silver and gold Christmas balls and tiny sprays of greens, all tied to clip with narrow white or gold ribbon. The clips can be made lovely enough to give as small favors to guests.

6) Arrange children's blocks in various heights down the center of the table or on a mantel or sideboard. Set votive candles in their heatproof glasses at random among and upon the blocks.

7) Tightly fill red pottery coffee mugs with white carnations for individual decorations at each place setting. Or mass the mugs in a ring in the center of the table around a cluster of votive candles.

## PLAYHOUSE (Size: 3x3x4 feet. See photograph, page 12.)



On one sheet of plywood, outline two 3-foot squares, one 2x3-foot piece and one 1x3-foot piece. Repeat on second sheet of plywood (but omit 1x3-foot piece). Cut out all pieces with table saw.

Draw lines for assembly slots on each piece (see Diagrams A and B). With table saw, cut out assembly slots.

Draw outlines for entry shapes on both pieces (see Diagram A). Join roof pieces with butt hinges (set in 1 inch from outside edges.)

The slide ramp is made by nailing, with brads, two strips of pine, each 1x1 inch and 11 3/4 inches long on the back of the 1x3-foot plywood piece. Center one strip across top of plywood 3/4 inch down from top edge of ramp. Nail

in place with brads. Space second strip 1 inch down from first strip and nail in place. These locking strips are used to prevent ramp from slipping from bottom edge of entry.

Sand and prime all pieces. When dry, apply background coat. Dry. Draw lines for viewing slots in position and cut out with saber saw (see Diagram C).

Use masking tape to outline all designs (see Diagram D and photograph on page 12), then paint with selected colors. Paint slide ramp. Assemble pieces by slipping over slots (see Diagram B).

Note: A play "wing" can be added to house by swinging front (or back) of house to one side (see photograph, page 12).



## FIREFLY LIGHTS FOR OUTDOOR TREES (See photograph, page 37)

Merry Midget bulbs, GE's outdoor firefly lights, are available in cool colors (blue and green), warm colors (red and yellow), gold and clear. (Note: If cool and warm colors are mixed, results will be murky.)

Outdoor strings of Merry Midget lights come in 20-lamp (bulb) strings, 35-lamp strings and 50-lamp strings, priced \$2.95 and up. Each bulb has a ring fastener for easy placing and securing of sockets on branches. The bulbs are the plug-in type. If one bulb burns out, the rest remain lighted. However, burned-out bulbs should be replaced to prolong the life of the strings. The following materials are necessary:

Ball of cord (for deciduous trees)  
Strings of outdoor lights  
1 roll garden wire  
Cube-top connectors  
Waterproof electrical tape (to be used on all connections and unused terminal plugs)  
Outdoor extension cords (if needed)

### DECIDUOUS TREES

Use Waterfall style (Diagram A) for densely branched deciduous trees and Silhouette style (Diagram B) for sparsely branched trees. To determine length and amount of light strings required for both Waterfall and Silhouette styles, it is advisable to make a test run with a ball of cord. Since the lights are spaced 10 inches apart, knot the cord every 10 inches. Count knots for number of lights required and to estimate length and number of light strings. Each string forms a loop in a continuous strand.

**Waterfall style** (Diagram A): With cord, measure for one "fall" required for selected tree, then add additional lengths for each "fall" desired. Wire 2 cube-top connectors to branches as far up tree as you can and still have them well supported. Join the two connectors (see Diagram C). Plug into the main

line. Plug in one string of lights and bring it up in a slight curve to the top of the tree, wiring to branches where needed. Allow strings to cascade over the outer edge of the tree. If more than five strings are needed, add additional connectors.

**Silhouette style** (Diagram B): Measure each branch and twig formation (with the knotted cord as in preceding instructions) to determine required length and number of light strings. For this style, the double light strings can be separated to give additional length. Place connectors in crotch of tree. Wire securely in place. Plug into main line. Plug in one string of lights and wire it along one main branch and out to twig formations. If more strings are required than the two connectors will accommodate, add more connectors.

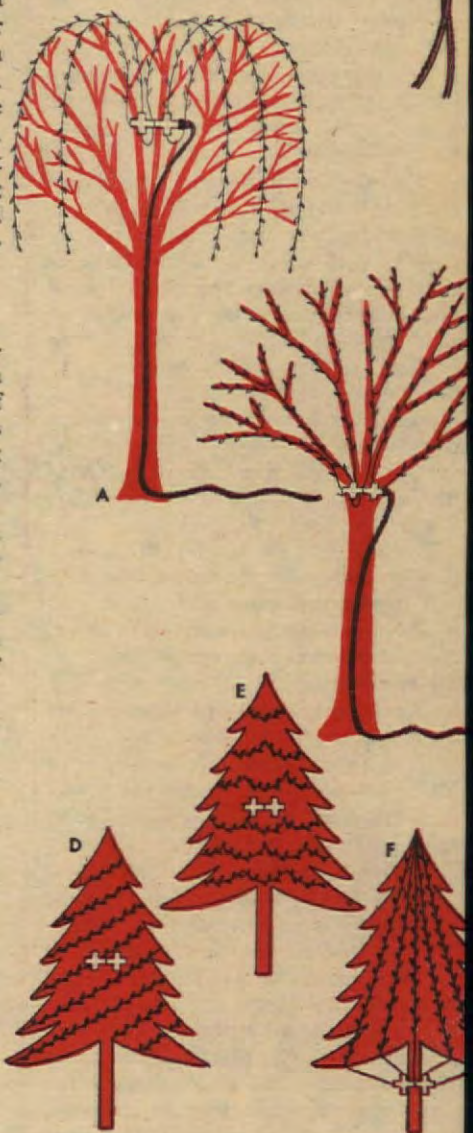
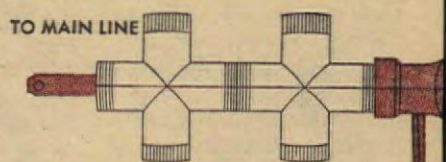
### EVERGREEN TREES

Use the following formula to determine number of lights per evergreen tree: Multiply height of tree by width of tree (in feet) times 6. Since light strings are available in 20-, 35- and 50-light lengths, estimate the number of strings that will be required from the formula.

**Spiral and Garland styles** (Diagrams D and E): Follow same procedure for connectors used with deciduous trees. Wire the connectors halfway up the tree as shown. Work half of the light strings up to the top of tree and the other half to bottom of the tree.

**Cascade style** (Diagram F): Wire connectors to trunk, 1 or 2 feet from ground. Run doubled light strings straight up outer edges of tree. Space them evenly around the tree and wire each string to the top of tree.

For a very tall tree, start at center of tree and run one light string up to top of tree and a second light string from center to bottom of tree.



## NEW MEXICAN LUMINARIAS

(See photograph, pages 38-39)

- 1 paper bag for each luminaria, about 10 inches high
- 3 inches of sand, gravel or pebbles for each bag
- 1 votive candle for each luminaria or string of Christmas lights (the number depending on the number of luminarias)
- 1 large hairpin for each Christmas-light socket

Open up medium-size paper bag and fold top edge over twice onto the outside. Fill bottom of bag with 3 inches of sand,

gravel or pebbles. Place a votive candle in its heatproof glass in the bag. If you live in a windy area, use a clear, oil-lamp chimney over the candle. Or use a string of small Christmas-tree lights



and wire several luminarias as follows: Slip a large hairpin around the socket of bulb and make a loop by twisting ends of hairpin twice. To allow wiring, socket and bulb to pass through bag, make crosshatch 1-inch cuts about 4 inches up from the base of the bag. Spread ends of hairpin apart and stick them in sand (see Diagram A). The luminarias can be used in a row along a terrace or at each side of a walk leading to your house. To conceal Christmas-light wiring, overlap or wrap with green garland.







## FIT TO BE TIED

- 1) Wrap a cookbook in a special kitchen towel. Top with kitchen gadgets.
- 2) Make a small evergreen garland to fit across top of package and down two-thirds of each side of package. Trim with tiny, gaily wrapped packages, each containing a little surprise.
- 3) Make a cornucopia (Diagram A) out of gold foil paper or buy a small wicker one. Wrap tiny gift packages in multicolor paper tied with narrow red velvet or satin ribbon. Have them spilling out of the cornucopia. Secure entire unit to top of package. Use double-faced tape to hold the packages in place.
- 4) Wrap a baby's gift with an infant's towel topped with a soft toy.
- 5) Have a little toy train run across top of package for a small boy.
- 6) Wrap bath powder with pretty hand towel or guest towel and top with soap dish filled with decorative soap.
- 7) For Dad's electric-tool gift, cut a pine board to fit top of a medium-sized package. Paint or stain. See Diagram B for arrangement and fastening of hand tools. Attach this to top of a box.
- 8) Tape Christmas tree-top ornament upright on top of a package.
- 9) Secure cluster of blown-up, colored balloons to a package top with brightly colored, thick yarn.
- 10) Secure to top of a package a tiny sailboat, walking Santas, angel figurines in a group, straw stars or small straw animals.
- 11) To decorate a bottle, add Styrofoam-ball "head" to top. Lace ribbon around neck of bottle for bodice and add a pleated paper skirt.
- 12) For a cluster of gifts, glue big gold initials on bright paper sacks or paint half-bushel baskets bright red and trim with greens and ribbon.
- 13) Make a wreath of greens with tiny candy canes. Attach to top of package with double-faced tape. Wreath can be removed later and hung.



## EVERGREEN CONE TREE

(Size: 48 inches high. See photograph, page 22.)

Wicker basket, about 10 inches in diameter

Green spray paint for basket  
Sand

3 1/2-foot hardware-cloth tree (See instructions for Popcorn-Ball Tree on page 43.)

3 bushel baskets of assorted evergreens (cedar, boxwood, holly, laurel, spruce), 8-10 inches long.

Roll of fine wire

40 feet of galvanized wire

Garden shears

Side-cutting pliers

Several bags of popcorn

Colorless acrylic spray

Aluminum foil

Silver glitter

4 dozen assorted small boxes

Green and white assorted gift papers

Green and white ribbons

Spray wicker basket green. Allow to dry. Fill with sand. Make wire-cone tree filled with Styrofoam as directed for Popcorn-Ball Tree, page 43. Cover the tree with assorted evergreens, which are wired together for the bottom third of the tree as follows: Cut three lengths of one of the greens, each 8 inches long. Fasten together with fine wire to form clump.

Attach a 5-inch length of galvanized wire to the bottom of the evergreen clump with fine wire, leaving 4 inches of galvanized wire below bottom of wired clump. Combining different types of greens, wire additional clumps in the same manner. Next, push the entire

4-inch length of galvanized wire through the wire mesh of the cone tree into its Styrofoam lining. Start at base of tree and work up to top. Continue to wire clumps, alternating greens until you have covered one-third of the cone.

Make another group of wired evergreen clumps 6 inches long. With side-cutting pliers, cut galvanized wire lengths 4 inches long. Wire these to 6-inch clumps so 3 inches of galvanized wire are below bottom of clumps. For remainder of cone tree, cut evergreens 4 inches long and galvanized wires 3 inches long. With fine wire, attach galvanized wires to clumps, allowing 2 inches of wire to extend below clumps.

Cover top of tree with evergreen clumps. If your tree is not as shapely as you wish, shape it with garden shears. Set tree on top of wicker basket.

**Trimming.** String popcorn into garlands. Use only the largest, fluffiest kernels or group several small ones together so the garlands look uniform. Spread aluminum foil, with a larger area of newspaper beneath it, flat on the floor. (The foil is necessary to prevent popcorn garlands from sticking.) Working over the foil, spray popcorn with colorless acrylic spray, doing only a small area at a time. While still wet, sprinkle on silver glitter. Repeat until all garlands are sprinkled. Allow to dry. Crisscross garlands on tree (see photograph, page 22). Wrap tiny gift packages with assorted green and white paper. Tie with green and white ribbons, alternating colors. Hang on tree as shown in photograph on page 22.

## GIFT-BOX DECORATIONS

(See photographs, page 22.)

### WREATH

Use a Styrofoam wreath or cut an 18-inch circle 2 inches wide from building board. Wrap tiny boxes, about 3 1/2 inches square, in color-coordinated papers. Tie with harmonizing braid. The secret of well-wrapped packages is to cut the paper small, just to fit the box with only enough left over to fold neatly and flatly at ends. Be sure paper fits tightly; secure with cellophane tape. Pin and tape packages to wreath at various angles.

### TREE

Wrap graduated boxes in matching paper. Pile one atop the other, pyramid-fashion. Angle the boxes to form "branches." Tie entire pyramid with heavy yarn in assorted colors. Top with big pompons in matching colors.

## LACY CANDLE

Large-eyed darning needle

Cotton string, 12 inches long

1 empty milk carton, with top cut off

Pencil

Old candle stubs

Coffee can

Cracked ice

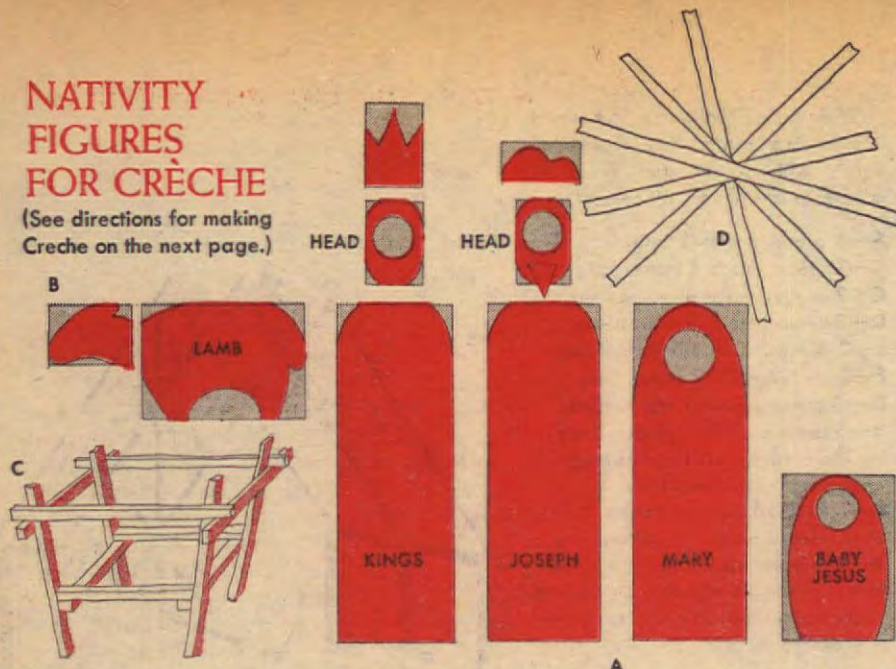
To make wick, thread needle with string. Push the needle through center bottom of empty milk carton to top. Tape string to bottom on the outside. Remove string from needle. Holding string firmly above top of carton, roll string around the center of a pencil until pencil is flush with carton's sides. Make sure string is centered.

In a coffee can placed in a pan of boiling water, heat old candles slowly until wax melts. (Add color, if desired, by adding wax crayons.) Remove old wicks as wax melts. While heating wax, fill carton with cracked ice. Carefully pour melted wax into carton evenly on all four sides until full. Allow to cool. Unroll pencil. Remove candle from carton and drain off water. Trim wick.



## NATIVITY FIGURES FOR CRÈCHE

(See directions for making Crèche on the next page.)



(Note: The figures that appear in the diagrams above were designed especially for AH and are not the ones used by the Baughmans and pictured with their crèche on page 51.)

Jackknife or mat knife

Hand drill

5 pieces pine, 1x1x3 inches, for bodies of three Kings, Mary and Joseph

1 piece pine, 1x1/2x1 1/2 inches, for body of Baby Jesus

1 piece pine, 1/2x3/4x6 inches, for heads

1 piece pine, 1/2x1/2x6 inches, for three crowns and Joseph's cap

1 piece pine, 1x3/4x4 inches, for lamb

1 foot of 3/8x1/2-inch pine for star

Pine scraps for manger

White glue

Chisel

Small nails

Natural-color thread

Long fireplace match for Joseph's crook

1 yard cheesecloth

Vegetable dye

Small curtain ring

Carve body pieces (see Diagram A). Carve 4 heads 3/4 inch long. Drill 1/2-inch holes for faces of three Kings and Joseph in head pieces. Drill 1/2-inch hole in top of body piece for Mary. Drill 1/4-inch hole in top of body piece for Baby Jesus. Cut out crowns and Joseph's cap. (Do not try to make pieces perfectly; a crude look adds to their charm.) Carve

lamb's body and head pieces (see Diagram B). Glue head in place. When dry, rough-carve the surface of the lamb to simulate wool. (If you are handy with a jackknife, the figures can be carved further to give them a rounded dimension.)

The manger (Diagram C) is made from scraps left over from the making of the Crèche. Split the wood strips lengthwise with a chisel. Glue and nail into rough manger shape.

Split and cut wood strips for star (Diagram D), each roughly 1/8 inch wide. Crisscross 5 pieces and join at crossing with natural-color thread.

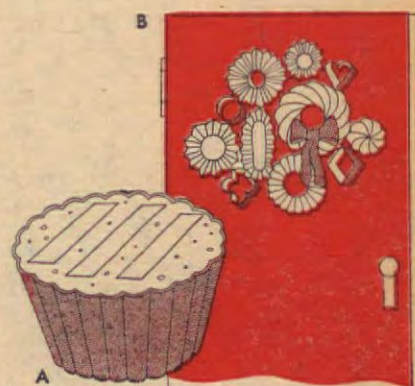
Joseph's shepherd's crook is a long, wooden fireplace match. Remove sulfur tip. Soak in warm water and bend tip into curve. Tape into shape until dry.

For cloaks and Mary's mantle, cut circles of cheesecloth. The diameter should be twice the height of each figure. Fold circles in half and dip into vegetable dye. Dry; wrap around figures. Baby Jesus is wrapped in swaddling clothes made from scraps of white fabric. Use small curtain ring for halo. Place figures in Crèche (see directions for making Crèche on next page).

## DOORS THAT SAY "WELCOME!"

1) For an apartment door, make a wreath from skeins of green wool wrapped around a Styrofoam wreath. Stud with small, wrapped balls of colored wool.

2) Spray small gelatin molds gold or leave them aluminum. Punch small hole in lip of each using hammer and nail. (Use wood block under nailing area to insure mold keeps its shape.) Run gold cord or a narrow, green-velvet ribbon through hole; tie in bow. Fill each mold with a square of Styrofoam secured to bottom of mold with double-faced tape. Styrofoam need not fill mold exactly; it should be level with outer edge of mold so you can fasten another piece of double-faced tape over Styrofoam surface (see Diagram A) and press onto door surface. Use one above another to form pattern on door panels.



3) Make a montage of shiny cake molds and cookie cutters. (See directions above in No. 2 for method of attaching molds to door.) Use star shapes or one or more ring molds tied with bows (see Diagram B).

4) Fill wire salad baskets with greens and apples or Styrofoam snowballs. Hang near your front door in groups of three, one above the other.

5) Make a Christmas bellpull from a wide strip of felt. Attach small bells with wool yarn along the length or attach one large bell at the end.

6) If your door is paneled, try several wreaths, one in each panel, rather than one large one.

7) Flank your door with tin buckets sprayed red or covered with aluminum foil and filled with sand. (Heavy cardboard buckets, such as painters use, or plastic buckets will also work.) Stick white-sprayed branches in the buckets, string with outdoor firefly lights (see page 46) and hang with Christmas-tree balls.

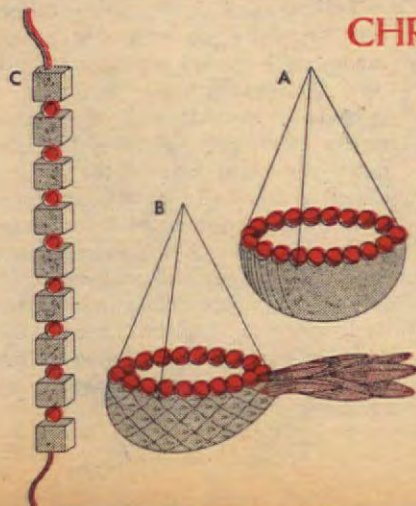
8) Cover your door with Mylar (shiny silver plastic). No other ornament is needed, but if you must have a wreath, use an all-white one.

## CHRISTMAS FOR THE BIRDS

1) Cut a grapefruit in half. Clean out pulp of grapefruit, leaving only the shell. Pierce four small holes equidistant just below rim for hanging cords. Stud rim with cranberries secured with halved, flat wooden picks. Add cords for hanging (see Diagram A). Fill with bird seed and hang outside.

2) Cut a pineapple, lengthwise, in half. Decorate and fill in same way as grapefruit (see Diagram B).

3) String alternating cubes of suet and cranberries to hang from tree branches (see Diagram C).





# CRÛCHE

(Size: 14x8x17 inches. See photograph opposite.)

Fine-tooth saw

4 feet of 1/2x6-inch pine or fir, rough-cut in strips 3/8 inch wide

1 box 3/4-inch brads

Cotton-tipped swabs

White glue

1 box 1-inch brads

Hand drill

Tack hammer

1 piece fiberboard or 1/4-inch plywood, 8x14 inches

Coping saw

1 1/2 yards cheesecloth

Straw (or wood shavings)

(Note: Leave wood strips rough and natural. Do not try for perfection in nailing and gluing as a primitive look adds to the attractiveness. Read instructions for cutting wood strips at right before starting.)

With a fine-tooth saw, cut wood in following lengths. Key each piece lightly with pencil and refer to crèche pattern for placement.

A—1 piece, 8 inches long

B—2 pieces, each 8 inches long

C—2 pieces, each 8 inches long

D—3 pieces, each 8 inches long

E—2 pieces, each 5 1/2 inches long

F—2 pieces, each 9 inches long

G—6 pieces, each 9 inches long

H—6 pieces, each 11 inches long

I—3 pieces, each 11 inches long

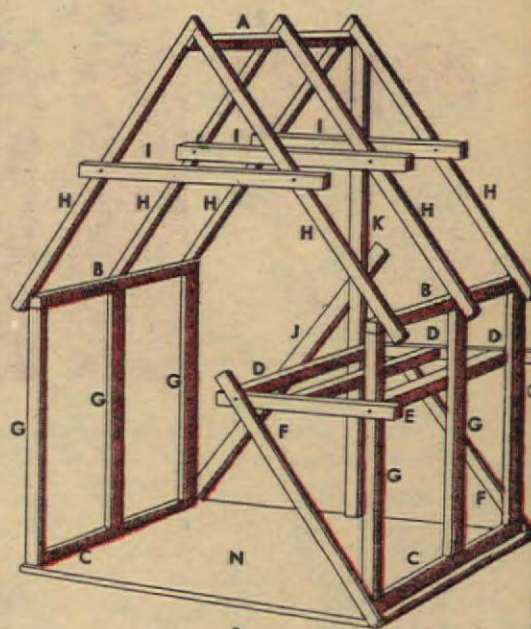
J—1 piece, 12 inches long

K—1 piece, 17 inches long

L—2 pieces, each 7 1/2 inches long

M—7 pieces, each 1 1/8 inches long

N—1 piece fiberboard or 1/4-inch plywood, already cut to 8x14-inch size



CRÛCHE ASSEMBLY

Assemble the left wall pieces B, G, and C (see Diagram 1). Use 3/4-inch brads and, with a swab, brush a little glue between each joint. Put aside until glue has dried. Repeat for right wall.

Assemble left (facing crèche) side of roof, pieces H and A, as shown in Diagram 2. Use 3/4-inch brads and glue. Extend pieces H 1/2 inch beyond piece A. Add 3 pieces of H for right side of roof with 1-inch brads as follows: Brush glue on edge and line up in proper flush position on piece A. Then drill, at a 90° angle, through pieces H into piece A just enough to catch 1-inch brads. Carefully hammer the brads in position (see Diagram 3).

Glue and nail assembled left wall to outer edge of plywood or fiberboard floor N on 8-inch side. Repeat for other side.

Glue and nail pieces I in position on pieces H, 6 inches down from peak of roof (see Diagram 4). Assemble hayloft pieces D and E (see Diagram 5). Glue and nail hayloft 7 1/4 inches up from floor on right (facing crèche) wall. The extensions on pieces E will overlap on front and back pieces G (see crèche assembly above). Glue and nail pieces F to hayloft at front edge of pieces E. Piece F should extend slightly beyond pieces E and G (see assembly and Diagram 6).

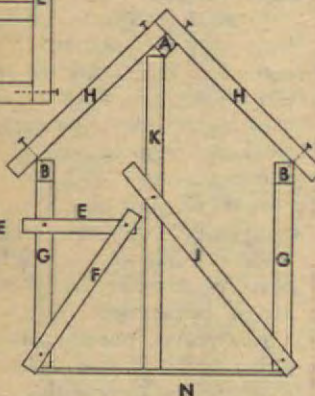
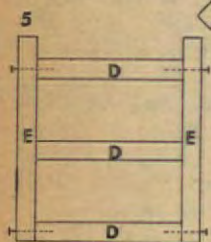
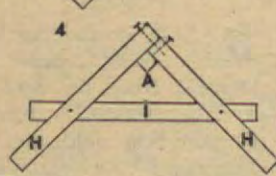
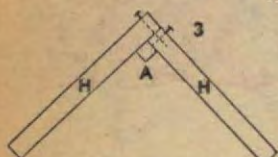
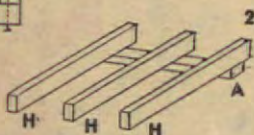
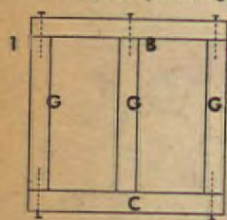
Glue and nail roof to side walls, extending pieces H about 1 inch beyond side walls as follows: Drill a small hole through pieces H into pieces B at an

angle (see Diagram 7). Apply glue to all pieces that touch. Hammer 1-inch brads through drilled holes.

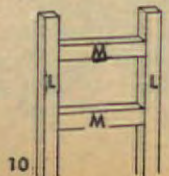
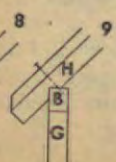
If you prefer, you can make right-angle notches in all pieces H (see Diagram 8) with a coping saw. In this case, glue and nail notched pieces H to pieces B as follows: Drill a small hole through pieces H into B at an angle (see Diagram 9). Brush glue on all edges that touch and hammer 1-inch brads through drilled holes.

Glue and nail piece K, keeping it vertically straight, to A under roof peak and to floor N. Glue and nail piece J to K and G on side of crèche back. Glue and nail ladder pieces M to ladder pieces L (see Diagram 10). Start 1/2 inch from top of ladder and space evenly to 1/2 inch from bottom of ladder.

Tint cheesecloth with strong coffee or tea. When dry, cut two strips about 5 inches wide by 1 1/4 yards long; reserve rest of cheesecloth. Drape continuous strips over outside wall, up between rafters H on one side, over roof peak, down the other side of the roof and down second wall (see photograph opposite). Cut another piece of cheesecloth to fit back wall from top of eave to floor. Cover floor and one end of hayloft with rumpled cheesecloth scattered with straw or wood shavings. Place Nativity figures (see directions to make them on the preceding page) inside crèche.



6 BACK OF CRÛCHE



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Stephen Green-Armytage



## A SIMPLE CRÈCHE TO TREASURE

Each era has interpreted the crèche in its own way—from the touchingly naïve concepts during the Age of Faith to the magnificently baroque creations wrought by the Neapolitan court in the 18th century. This version was made by furniture designer Milo Baughman for his family. The Baughmans are Mormons and live in Provo, Utah. Their crèche is barnlike, the materials are natural. To make one like it, see the directions opposite.





By Barbara Plumb

## HAVEN IN NEW ENGLAND SNOWS

The best of today's ski houses are more than inviting second homes for winter-sports enthusiasts. They are also year-round havens for families who are just as keen on flowers budding in the spring, grass growing lush in the summer, leaves flaming their colors in the fall as they are about winter's snowy splendor.

Neil Goodwin, a Cambridge, Mass., designer, wanted just such a house and surroundings for his family, consisting of wife Jane and son Seth, 4. Here, nestled in winter white, is the handsome result. (continued)





Pitched-roof second story of this Vermont house, faced in cedar shingle, sits like a hat on the low, cedar-sided horizontal band of a first floor. Triangular windows repeat the roof shape; rectangular windows, the box shape.



Goodwin bought part of an old farm property in the heart of Vermont's ski country and proceeded to build his house, orienting it toward a vista of rolling hills. Although the exterior looks modern, the house uses traditionally Yankee materials and forms. The interior, an exciting progression of spaces defined by ceilings of different angles and heights, is divided by three major elements: a stair-balcony, dining-area divider wall and free-standing fireplace. The major living spaces are located in one end of the house; the four bedrooms, in the other. (See floor plans on page 87.) The furnishings are minimal, with as much built in as possible, and the decor, set off by Navajo rugs and hanging Indian blankets, is strongly graphic.

In the dining area (below), Seth tags along as his mother sets the luncheon table. The fireplace, its rounded cavity echoed by the curved log receptacle, divides living and dining areas.



John Zimmerman



Neil, Seth and Jane Goodwin relax in their living room (top). A compact area framed by views of surrounding hills, its intimate mood compensates for the ceiling height.

The low-ceilinged hallway (above), viewed from the living room, contrasts with the soaring ceiling of the main living areas. The stairs at left lead to the balcony.

Curved plaster balcony (opposite), overlooking dining area and entry below, leads to upstairs bedrooms and storage. Wooden ceilings are stained white-pine boards.

For floor plans, see page 87.







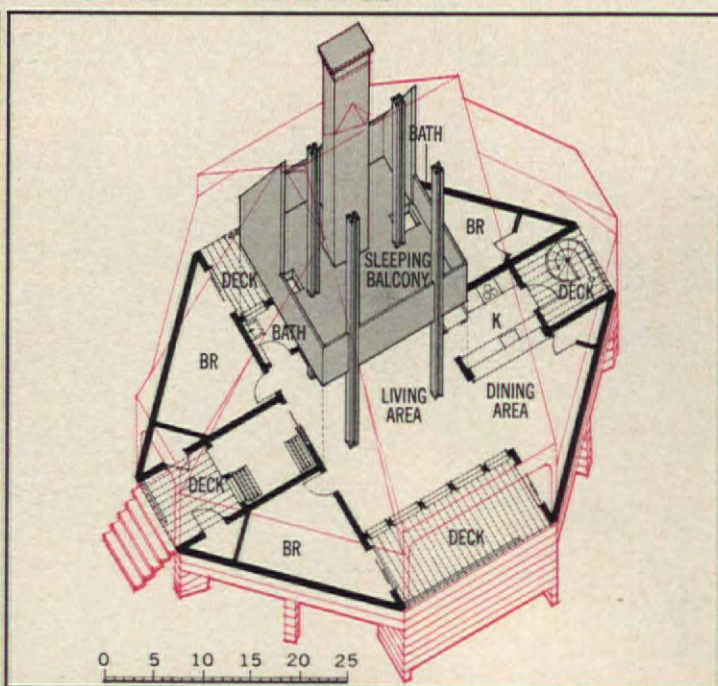
The Paiute Indians who once inhabited Bear Valley, Calif., would find this octagonal ski house recently erected there a far cry from their brush shelters. San Francisco architect Donald MacDonald's multisided design is scaled to the site, a heavily wooded lot whose trees the owners wanted to save. He elevated the house, topping it with a steeply pitched, overhanging roof, to keep it from being swallowed by the heavy Sierra snows. In contrast to the sculptured modernity of the Neil Goodwins' Vermont ski house on the preceding pages, MacDonald's compact, 1,900-square-foot retreat (which doubles as a cabin in summer) reflects the rustic, open informality of the West. Built for under \$25,000, the house is shared by three families and their eight children. Generally, the families alternate weekends, but the occasional one that finds them all in the house together is remembered as relaxed and comfortable. Each couple has a private bedroom and adjoining deck, while the children sleep on a balcony which overlooks the living and dining areas.

## 3-FAMILY CO-OP IN WESTERN SKI COUNTRY

Ernest Braun



The two-story living room (above) is pierced by a sleeping balcony whose supports are echoed on the fireplace wall. Before the crackling fire, Berit Kjos plays to her best audience—sons Todd and Troy.



Each of the bedrooms, shown in the rendering above, is enclosed and has access to a deck. Children's sleeping balcony (shaded area), divided into "his" and "hers" sections, is easily reached by trap doors and ladders.

Todd and Troy Kjos (left) hitch a lift up the hill from an obliging weekend houseguest. The site, on a knoll leading down to a lake, makes an ideal toboggan run for the kids.





The wide overhang of the steep, cedar-shingled roofs keeps decks, entrance and windows clear of snow. A triangular clerestory between the two roof heights brings daylight into the upstairs sleeping balcony.



FESTIVE HOLIDAY BUFFET  
**CASUAL  
COUNTRY  
STYLE**

By Frances M. Crawford

**BUFFET FOR 12**

Potted Shrimp  
Glazed Corned Beef  
Cauliflower in Mustard Sauce  
Zucchini Pancakes  
Fruitcake  
Coffee



PHOTOGRAPHS BY FRED J. MAROON



Entertaining during the holiday season means joyous feasting with food that says "Welcome!" When your guests come in from winter's blustery cold, there is surely no more heart-warming sight than a buffet table laden with inviting fare, whether casual and robust as here or more formal and opulent as on the page following. The menu pictured is a wealth of good eating, perfect for an after-skating or tree-trimming get together. It is a meal the crowd will long appreciate; so will the hostess, for much of it can be prepared in advance. Recipes for all dishes in this menu and for another hearty, country-style buffet begin on page 72.



continued



# FESTIVE HOLIDAY BUFFET IN THE GRAND MANNER

The Twelve Days of Christmas are a glorious time for partying with an elegant air—a pull-out-all-stops evening with the prettiest table ever and food that is extra special and truly epicurean as pictured here. Yet this menu leaves the hostess unhurried and unharried when guests arrive, as it calls for a minimum of last-minute fuss. All that remains to be done is to assemble the salad and take the Blue Cheese in Crust from the oven. Recipes for starred menu items and for another grand-manner buffet begin on page 76.



## **BUFFET FOR 12**

Blue Cheese in Crust\*  
Stuffed Lobster Tails\*  
Curry of Lamb Karikal\*  
Brown Rice with  
Almonds and Raisins\*  
Green Salad  
Dry White Wine  
Croquembouche\*  
Demitasse



# DIRECTIONS

Empty soup into pan. Stir in 1 can of water. Heat to boiling, stirring occasionally. Makes about 2½ cups of soup.

**CREAM OF TOMATO SOUP:** Prepare as above using milk or cream instead of water.  
**TOMATO SAUCE:** Empty soup into pan. Add a little water, if desired. Heat, stirring occasionally. May be seasoned with prepared mustard, horseradish, Worcestershire or herbs. Serve on hamburgers, pork chops, fish, etc. Makes about 1¼ cups of sauce.

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By Jane Uetz

Christmas, kids and candy are natural go-togethers. This is the season when family kitchens begin to look like sugarplum land as small hands turn out sweet-dream confections like these. Some are familiar favorites, such as Peanut Brittle and Fudge; others, like the Marshmallow Haystacks, are new. But all are simple to make, need no special tools, little or no cooking and a minimum of help from Mother. Even kindergartners (like the 5-year-old at center here, shaping Apricot-Coconut Balls) can join in the fun. And if the kids can resist eating their own handiwork, these are the best Christmas gifts of all, for they made them themselves. You can, too, from the recipes for the candies shown—and more—beginning on page 78.

Lindsay, Mark and Billy have a candymaking fling. Clockwise from directly at left: Apricot-Coconut Balls, Peanut Brittle, Orange Pecans, Double Peanut Clusters, Cobblestone Fudge, Peanut Brittle and Marshmallow Haystacks. Center: Fondant Mint Patties (peppermint and wintergreen), French Cocoa Balls and Old-Fashioned Fudge.





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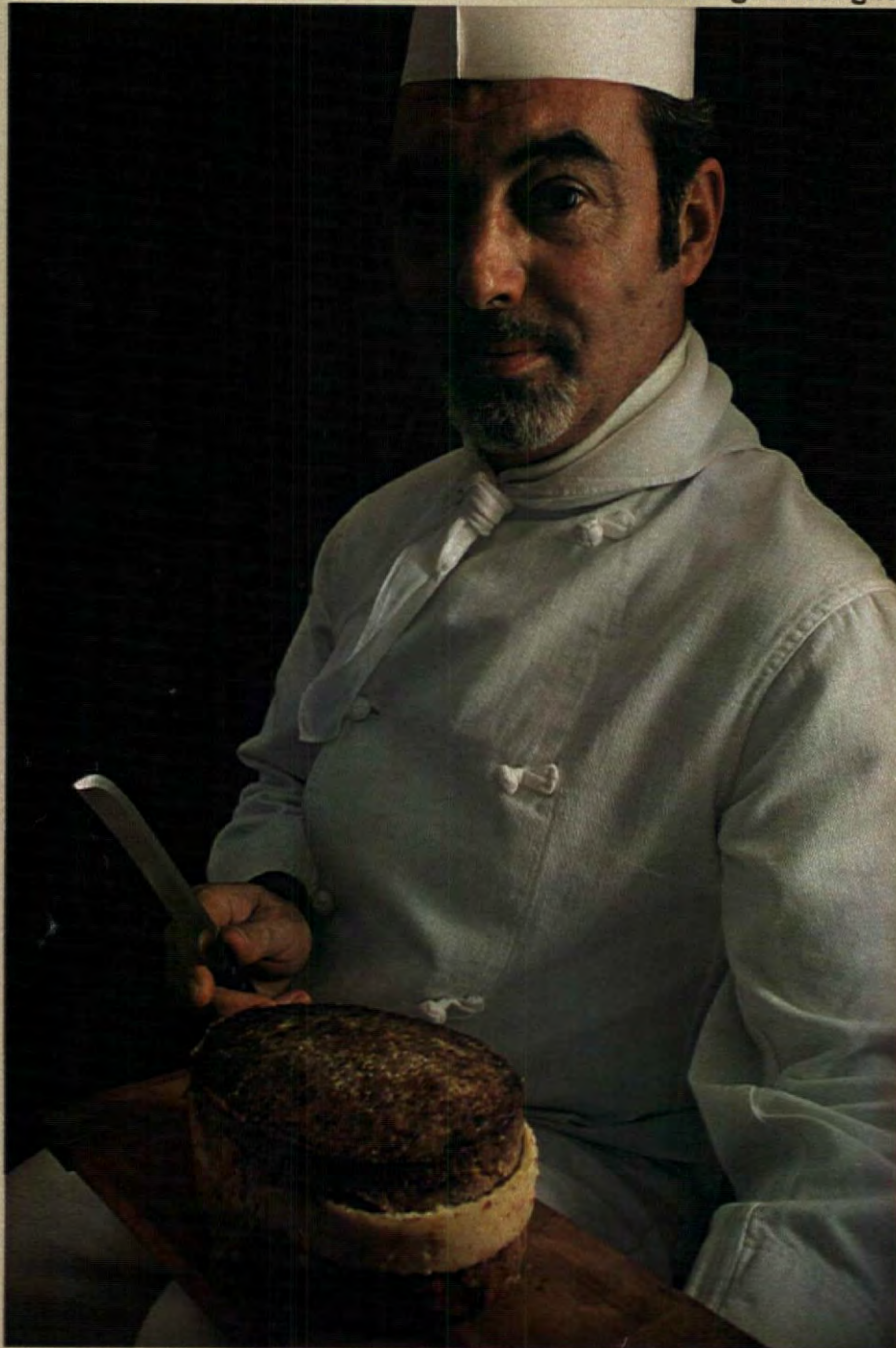


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A pâté is a mixture of ground meats and seasonings baked in an earthenware dish called a terrine. The word *maison* simply signifies homemade style and, because it is homemade, the cook decides on the choice of ingredients and the proportions in which they will be used. Pork is basic to almost all French pâtés. My version uses chicken livers with pork. Surprisingly inexpensive and easy to make, it is best served at room temperature with French bread or thin toast, cocktail onions and sour gherkins. The recipe and the how to's are on page 66.



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# PÂTÉ MAISON continued



## PÂTÉ MAISON

- 1½ pounds chicken livers
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- ½ cup chopped onion (1 medium)
- 1 clove of garlic, minced
- 1½ pounds ground fresh pork
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- 1 tablespoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon poultry seasoning
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 2 tablespoons brandy (optional)
- 1 bay leaf

1. First assemble all the ingredients, even those for garnish, and heat the oven to 400° so it will be ready for the pâté. 2. Pat the chicken livers dry with paper towels and cut them in half. Sauté the livers in the butter or margarine in a large skillet over high heat. Stir occasionally to keep the livers from sticking. Remove them with a slotted spoon to a cutting board. 3. Add the onion and garlic to the fat left in the pan and cook, stirring constantly, 1 minute. Remove from heat and set aside. 4. Chop the chicken livers finely. The best tool for this is a heavy French chef's knife. 5. Mix everything but the bay leaf thoroughly in a large bowl. 6. Pack the mixture into a 1¼-quart terrine or a 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Put the bay leaf on top. Cover. The terrine has a cover and you can use foil for the loaf pan. 7. Set a large pan on the oven rack. Place the pâté in it and pour boiling water into the large pan to a depth of 1 inch. Bake 1 hour. Uncover and bake 15 minutes. Remove from oven. Remove pâté from water bath. Cool 10 minutes, then refrigerate 2 hours or more. 8. Pâté may be served from the terrine or may be unmolded onto a board or platter. Makes 12 servings.



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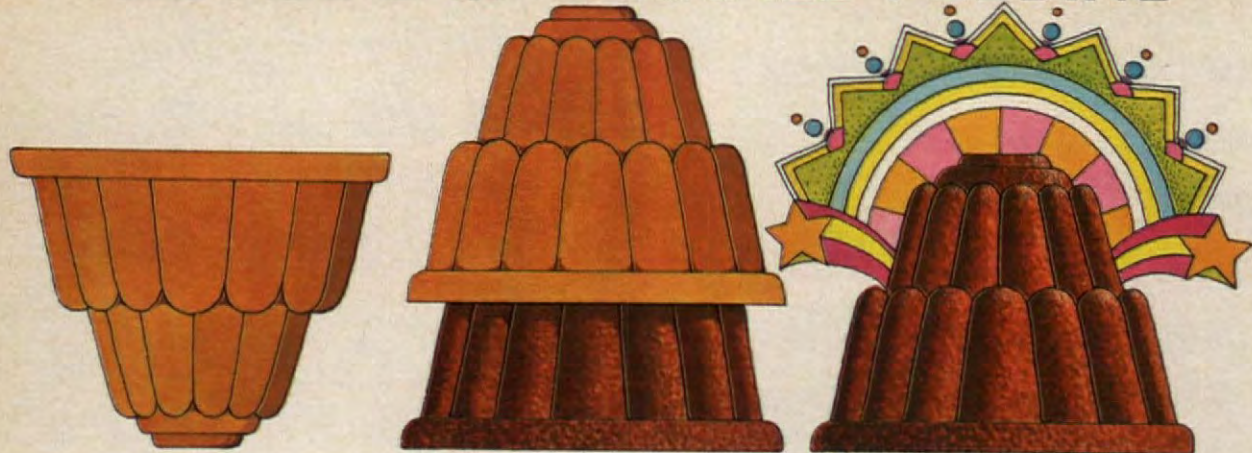
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# THE ABC'S OF STEAMED PUDDING



The Christmas pudding is an annual ritual for dessert-loving traditionalists. Here are two simple ones—rich, fragrant and festive. Making a steamed pudding is quite easy and if you don't have a steamer you can always improvise. The only things you need are a deep kettle with a tight-fitting lid and a rack or trivet on which to set the mold. Most important: You must keep the water boiling gently throughout the steaming period.

## CRANBERRY PUDDING

**Softened butter or margarine**  
**Granulated sugar**  
**4 cups cranberries**  
**1 cup seedless raisins**  
**1 jar (4 ounces) candied lemon peel (½ cup)**  
**3 cups sifted all-purpose flour**  
**3¼ teaspoons baking soda**  
**1 cup molasses**  
**¾ cup hot water**

1. Brush a 2-quart mold generously with butter or margarine.



2. Sprinkle surface with granulated sugar. Rotate mold to coat it. Turn mold over and shake out excess sugar.  
 3. Chop cranberries coarsely with a heavy knife or, using the coarse blade, put them through a food chopper.  
 4. Put cranberries, raisins, and lemon peel in a large bowl. Mix together well.

5. Put flour and baking soda in a sifter. Sift them over the mixed fruits. Mix well.

6. Blend molasses and hot water. Stir into the fruit-flour mixture until thoroughly mixed.

7. Pour into prepared mold. Cover mold. If it does not have a cover of its own, butter a piece of aluminum foil and place it, buttered side down, over mold. Tie it securely.

8. Place mold on a rack or trivet in a large kettle.

9. Pour enough boiling water into kettle so water comes halfway up the side of the mold.

10. Cover kettle. Steam pudding 1½ hours. Make sure the water boils all the time. Add more water if needed to keep the level constant.

11. Remove mold from water. Let stand 5 minutes. Unmold onto serving plate. Makes 8 servings.

## WALNUT-PUMPKIN PUDDING

**2 cups sifted all-purpose flour**  
**1½ teaspoons baking powder**  
**¼ teaspoon baking soda**  
**1½ teaspoons salt**  
**½ cup butter or margarine**  
**1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed**  
**¼ cup granulated sugar**  
**½ teaspoon ground cinnamon**  
**½ teaspoon ground ginger**  
**½ teaspoon ground nutmeg**  
**½ teaspoon ground cloves**  
**2 eggs, well beaten**  
**1 cup chopped walnuts**  
**1 cup canned pumpkin**  
**½ cup dairy sour cream**

1. Grease a 2-quart mold well.  
 2. Sift flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt together onto a piece of wax paper. Set aside.  
 3. Put butter or margarine, brown sugar, granulated sugar, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and cloves into large bowl. Beat at medium speed on electric mixer or cream by hand with a wooden spoon until

all the mixture is light and fluffy.

4. Add beaten eggs. Beat until smooth and blended.

5. Stir in walnuts.

6. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with pumpkin and sour cream. Begin and end with dry ingredients.



7. Turn into prepared mold.

8. Cover mold. If it does not have a cover of its own, butter a piece of aluminum foil and place it on the mold, buttered side down. Tie it securely around mold.

9. Place mold on a rack or trivet in a large kettle.

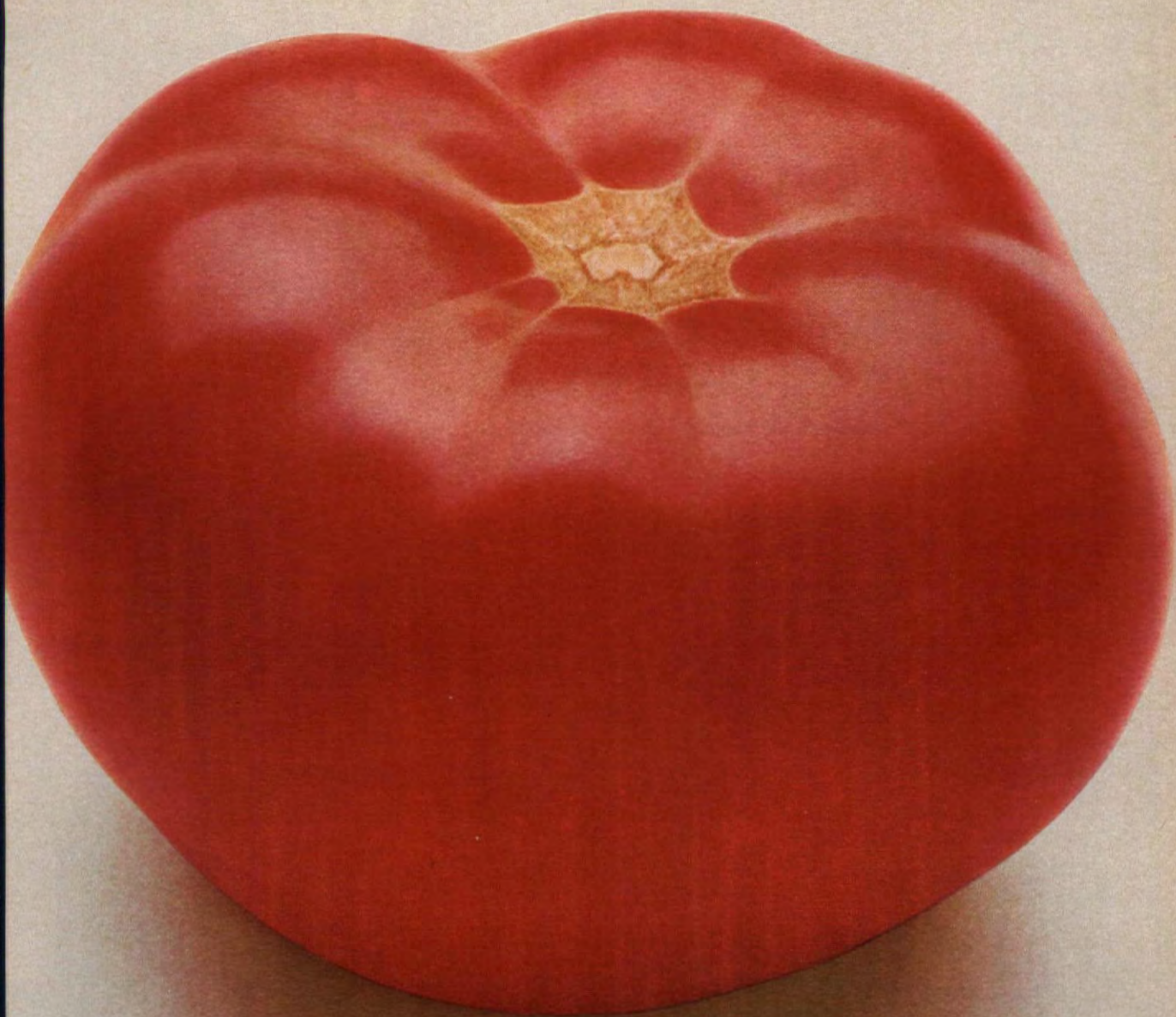


10. Pour enough boiling water into kettle so water comes halfway up the side of mold.

11. Cover kettle. Steam pudding 2 hours. Make sure the water boils all the time. Add more water if needed to keep the level halfway up the mold.

12. Remove mold from water. Let stand 5 minutes. Unmold onto serving plate. Makes 8 servings.





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Fruitcake\*  
Coffee

## POTTED SHRIMP

- 1 pound shrimp, cooked, shelled and deveined
- 1 cup butter or margarine
- 1 tablespoon prepared mustard
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ¼ teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon celery salt
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- ¼ cup chopped parsley

Put shrimp through food grinder or whirl in blender. Combine butter or margarine, mustard, lemon juice, garlic powder, celery salt, salt, pepper and parsley. Mix well. Stir into shrimp; blend well. Pack into jar or crock. Chill before serving. Decorate with tiny shrimp, if desired. Serve with toast points. Makes about 12 servings.

## GLAZED CORNED BEEF

- 7- to 8-pound piece of corned beef
- 2 large onions, sliced
- 6 whole cloves
- 12 peppercorns
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 jar (12½ ounces) mandarin oranges, drained
- ¼ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 2 tablespoons prepared mustard
- ¾ cup orange marmalade

Put corned beef in deep kettle; add water to cover. Bring to boiling. Simmer 1 hour; skim surface of water. Add onions, cloves, peppercorns and bay leaves. Cover. Simmer 1½ to 2 hours or until meat is tender. Remove corned beef from water. Drain.

Trim excess fat from meat. Place meat in shallow roasting pan; arrange mandarin oranges on top of meat. Heat oven to 350°. Combine brown sugar, mustard and orange marmalade. Stir over medium heat until blended and bubbly. Spoon sauce over meat. Bake 30 minutes, basting several times with remaining sauce. Serve hot or cold. Makes 12 servings.

## CAULIFLOWER IN MUSTARD SAUCE

- 3 large heads of cauliflower
- Salted water
- 1 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons prepared mustard
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper

Remove stem and leaves from cauliflower. Break heads into large flowerets.

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## Fruity Cookie Recipe

4 cups sifted all-purpose flour  
1 tsp. double-acting baking powder  
1-1/2 cups butter  
1 cup sugar  
1 package (3 oz.) Jell-O Gelatin, any flavor  
1 egg  
1 tsp. vanilla

## Additional Jell-O Gelatin

Sift flour with baking powder. Cream butter. Gradually add sugar

and gelatin, cream well after each addition. Add egg and vanilla; beat well. Gradually add flour mixture, mixing after each addition until smooth. Force dough through cookie press onto ungreased baking sheets. Sprinkle with gelatin. Decorate as desired. Bake at 400° about 13 or 14 minutes, or until golden brown at edges. Store in loosely covered container. Makes about 5 dozen cookies.



## CASUAL COUNTRY BUFFET continued

Cut a slit in stem of each floweret to insure even cooking. Bring a large saucepan of salted water to boiling. Add cauliflower. Cover. Simmer 12 to 15 minutes or until floweret stems are tender. Drain well on paper towels. Let cool. Arrange in serving dish. Combine remaining ingredients. Pour over cauliflower. Makes 12 servings.

### ZUCCHINI PANCAKES

6 to 8 medium-size zucchini (about 2½ pounds)

4 eggs  
½ cup all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon salt  
⅓ teaspoon pepper  
¼ teaspoon garlic powder  
¼ cup chopped parsley  
Pure vegetable oil

Wash zucchini. Remove ends. Grate or grind into a bowl. Drain well. Add eggs, flour, salt, pepper, garlic powder and parsley. Mix well. Heat 2 to 3 tablespoons oil in large skillet over medium heat. Drop zucchini mixture by heaping tablespoons into hot oil. Fry until golden brown on bottom; turn. Brown second side. Drain on paper towels. Repeat

until all mixture is used, adding more oil to skillet if needed. Serve hot or cold. Makes 24 to 30 pancakes.

### FRUITCAKE

1 cup butter or margarine  
1½ cups light brown sugar, firmly packed  
4 eggs  
3½ cups sifted all-purpose flour  
½ teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
¼ teaspoon ground cloves  
1 cup milk  
2 packages (8 ounces each) pitted dates, cut up  
2 cups chopped pecans  
1 jar (4 ounces) candied cherries, halved  
2 cups raisins

Heat oven to 300°. Grease and flour 10x4-inch tube pan. Beat butter or margarine and brown sugar in large bowl until blended. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Sift flour, soda, salt, cinnamon and cloves together; add alternately with milk to butter-sugar mixture. Beat until smooth and blended. Stir in dates, pe-

cans, cherries and raisins. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 2 to 2½ hours or until cake tester inserted in cake, halfway from edge, comes out clean. Cool cake; remove from pan. Store cooled cake several weeks in covered container to mellow flavors. Decorate with confectioners' sugar, if desired.

Smoked Salmon with Chopped Onion and Capers  
Stuffed Flank Steak\*  
Potato Croquettes\*  
Vegetable Salad with Creamy French Dressing\*  
Cold Chestnut Soufflé\*  
Coffee

### STUFFED FLANK STEAK

2 tablespoons butter or margarine  
1 cup minced onion (1 large)  
1 clove of garlic, minced  
½ cup chopped parsley  
1 tablespoon leaf tarragon, crumbled  
1 pound country sausage, casing removed  
4 cups soft bread crumbs (8 slices)  
2 flank steaks (2 to 2½ pounds each)  
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted  
Salt  
Pepper

## Mincemeat Mallow Cheesecake





Heat 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in large skillet over medium heat. Sauté onion until pale yellow and soft. Add garlic, parsley, tarragon and sausage meat. Cook 2 to 3 minutes, stirring to crumble meat. Remove from heat. Stir in bread crumbs. Mix well.

Make a pocket in each steak by splitting it horizontally to within 1 inch of edge of steak. Fill pockets with stuffing. Sew up opening or close with skewers. Brush both sides with melted butter or margarine. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Broil 3 to 4 inches from heat 5 to 7 minutes on each side. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Cut in 1-inch slices. Makes 12 servings.

#### POTATO CROQUETTES

- 1 package (about 10 servings) instant mashed potatoes
- 4 egg yolks, beaten
- 4 egg whites, slightly beaten
- 1 cup packaged bread crumbs
- ¼ cup butter or margarine

Prepare potatoes according to package directions, omitting milk. Beat in egg yolks; continue beating until mixture is smooth. Cover bowl. Chill at least

30 minutes. Shape into 12 patties on lightly floured board. Dip patties into egg whites, then into bread crumbs, coating them well. Heat 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in large skillet over medium heat. Cook patties until golden brown on the bottom. Turn and brown second side. Makes 12 servings.

#### VEGETABLE SALAD WITH CREAMY FRENCH DRESSING

- ¾ cup pure vegetable oil
- ⅓ cup tarragon, cider or wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- 2 eggs
- 4 cans (1 pound each) mixed diced vegetables, well drained

Combine oil, vinegar, salt, paprika and eggs in screw-top jar or blender. Shake or whirl to blend. Pour over vegetables. Toss gently. Makes 12 servings.

#### COLD CHESTNUT SOUFFLÉ

- 2 jars (10 ounces each) candied chestnuts
- 3 envelopes unflavored gelatin
- 7 egg yolks
- 1 cup water
- 7 egg whites
- ¾ cup sugar
- 2 cups (1 pint) heavy cream

Fold a long piece of wax paper in half lengthwise. Tie or tape securely around a 1½-quart soufflé dish so a collar will extend 2 inches above rim of dish. This will hold the soufflé above the dish as it sets. Oil the inside of paper lightly.

Drain chestnuts; reserve juice. Force chestnuts through food mill; set aside. Combine gelatin, juice from chestnuts, egg yolks and water in top of double boiler. Cook over simmering water, stirring constantly, 10 minutes or until thickened. Cool. Stir in chestnut puree. Mix well. Beat egg whites until foamy; beat in sugar gradually; continue beating until meringue forms stiff, glossy peaks. Combine chestnut-egg mixture and 2 cups of meringue in large mixing bowl. Mix well. Fold in remaining egg whites gently with large spoon or rubber spatula. Whip cream until soft peaks form. Fold into chestnut mixture. Spoon into prepared dish. Refrigerate 3 to 4 hours or until set. Before serving, peel off wax paper carefully. Decorate soufflé with additional whipped cream, if desired. Makes 12 servings.

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- 1½ teaspoons rum flavoring
- 1 cup heavy cream, whipped
- ½ cup chopped candied fruits

Melt marshmallows with milk in double boiler; stir until smooth. Gradually add eggs. Cook 2 to 3 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add rum flavoring. Chill until slightly thickened; mix until well blended. Fold in whipped cream and candied fruits. Spoon into individual serving dishes. Top with additional candied fruit, if desired. Chill several hours or overnight. 6 to 8 servings.

#### Pumpkin Mallow Pie

*New glory, glory way to serve your holiday pumpkin pie!*

- 1 3¼ oz. pkg. vanilla pudding & pie filling mix
- 3 cups Kraft Miniature Marshmallows
- 2 cups (1-lb. can) pumpkin
- 1½ teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- ½ cup heavy cream, whipped
- 1 9-inch graham cracker crust

Prepare pudding as directed on package except using 1 cup milk; add 1 cup marshmallows, stirring until melted. Add pumpkin and spice; mix well. Chill. Fold in whipped cream and remaining marshmallows; pour into crust. Chill several hours.



#### Mincemeat Mallow Cheese Cake

*A holiday showpiece that tastes as luscious as it looks.*

- 1 cup vanilla wafer crumbs
- ¼ cup Parkay Margarine, melted
- 1¾ cups (1-lb. 2-oz. jar) mincemeat
- 4 cups Kraft Miniature Marshmallows
- ½ cup orange juice
- 2 8-oz. pkgs. Philadelphia Brand Cream Cheese
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind
- 1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Combine crumbs and margarine. Press onto bottom of 9-inch spring pan; bake at 325°, 10 minutes. Cool. Spread mincemeat over crust.

Melt marshmallows with orange juice in double boiler; stir until smooth. Chill until thickened. Combine softened cream cheese and orange rind, beating until well blended and fluffy. Whip in marshmallow mixture; fold in whipped cream. Pour over mincemeat. Garnish with additional mincemeat and candied cinnamon balls to form a wreath. 10 to 12 servings.





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## GRAND-MANNER BUFFET continued from page 60

(pictured)  
**Blue Cheese in Crust\***  
**Stuffed Lobster Tails\***  
**Curry of Lamb Karikal\***  
**Brown Rice with Almonds and Raisins\***  
**Green Salad**  
**Dry White Wine**  
**Croquembouche\***  
**Demitasse**

### BLUE CHEESE IN CRUST

- 2 packages (10 ounces each) frozen patty shells
- 1 egg, beaten
- ½ pound blue cheese, crumbled

Remove shells from packages; let stand at room temperature until slightly softened. Stack 6 shells; roll out on floured board to a 12x5-inch rectangle. Trim edges with knife or pastry cutter to make rectangle even. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Brush edges with egg. Place cheese on pastry, leaving 1-inch border free of cheese on all sides. Stack and roll remaining shells to a 12x6-inch rectangle. Place over first rectangle. Press edges together to seal them. (Recipe may be prepared to this point the day before and refrigerated. Remove from refrigerator and let stand at room temperature 15 minutes.) Brush

pastry with beaten egg. Bake at 425° for 30 minutes or until puffed and golden brown. Let stand 12 to 15 minutes before serving. Cut in 1-inch slices. Makes 12 servings.

### STUFFED LOBSTER TAILS

- 12 frozen lobster tails (6 to 8 ounces each)
- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- ½ cup thinly sliced green onions
- ½ pound mushrooms, diced
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
- ½ cup chopped parsley

Cook lobster tails according to package directions. Drain. Cool. Remove meat from tails, taking care to keep shells intact. Reserve shells. Cube lobster meat. Heat butter or margarine in large skillet over medium heat. Add green onions, mushrooms, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Cook until vegetables are tender. Cool. Stir in mayonnaise or salad dressing and parsley. Correct seasoning to taste. Add lobster. Mix gently. Fill shells with mixture. Makes 12 servings.

### CURRY OF LAMB KARIKAL

- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- 4 pounds boneless leg or shoulder lamb, cut in ¾-inch cubes
- 2 cups minced onion (2 large)
- 2 to 3 tablespoons curry powder
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 apple, pared, cored and sliced
- ¼ cup chutney, chopped
- 2 cans (13¾ ounces each) chicken broth
- Water
- 1 cup heavy cream
- ½ cup shredded coconut, chopped

Heat butter or margarine in heavy saucepan. Add meat. Sauté until light brown on all sides; remove; reserve. Sauté onion until soft in fat remaining in pan. Return meat to pan. Sprinkle with curry powder, flour and salt. Stir well for 1 minute over medium heat. Add apple, chutney, chicken broth and just enough water to cover meat. Cover. Bring to boiling. Simmer 45 minutes to 1 hour or until meat is tender. Combine cream and coconut; stir mixture into lamb. Correct seasoning to taste. Turn into serving dish. Sprinkle with additional shredded coconut, if desired. Makes 12 servings.



### **BROWN RICE WITH ALMONDS AND RAISINS**

- 2 whole cloves
- 1 small onion
- 3 cans (13¾ ounces each) chicken broth
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 package (12 ounces) brown rice
- ½ cup sliced blanched almonds, toasted
- 1 cup golden raisins
- ¼ cup butter or margarine

Insert cloves in onion. Combine chicken broth, onion and bay leaf in medium-size saucepan. Bring to boiling. Stir in rice. Cover. Reduce heat; simmer about 40 minutes or until all broth is absorbed. Remove from heat. Remove and discard onion, cloves and bay leaf. Add almonds, raisins and butter or margarine to rice; mix with two-tine fork to keep rice grains separated. Makes 12 servings.

### **CROQUEMBOUCHE**

(Cream-Puff Pyramid)

- 2 packages (3¾ ounces each) vanilla pudding and pie-filling mix
- 3 cups milk
- 1½ cups water

- ¾ cup butter or margarine
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 6 eggs
- 1½ cups sugar
- ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar
- ½ cup water

Prepare pudding according to package directions using 1½ cups milk per package instead of 2 cups. Turn into bowl. Place a piece of wax paper directly on to the surface of the pudding to prevent a skin from forming. Refrigerate while making cream puffs.

Combine water, butter or margarine and salt. Bring to boiling. Add flour all at once; stir rapidly over heat until mixture forms ball and follows spoon around pan. Cool slightly. Beat in eggs, one at a time; beat well until mixture is smooth and each egg is blended in. Mixture will be slippery and separated but the beating will smooth it. Heat oven to 400°. Drop mixture from spoon or press through pastry bag into 40 to 45 small mounds onto ungreased cookie sheets. Leave about 2 inches between mounds. Bake 30 minutes or until puffed and

golden brown and there are no tiny bubbles of moisture on surface. Transfer puffs to wire racks with a spatula. Cool completely.

Fit a pastry bag with a ¼-inch plain tube. Fill bag with pudding mixture. Press tube through each puff and fill with pudding.

Combine sugar, cream of tartar and water in small, heavy saucepan for caramel. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer until syrup is amber color. Remove from heat; place over a pan of hot water to keep caramel liquid while dipping puffs.

Arrange one layer of puffs on a lightly oiled 6-inch plate, dipping puff sides in caramel to make them stick together. Continue to add puffs, dipping them in caramel and piling them in the shape of a cone until all are used. Pour remaining caramel in a thread over the mound of puffs. As soon as caramel has hardened, remove croquembouche from oiled plate and place on serving dish. Serve with tongs, lifting puffs apart carefully. Makes 12 servings.

continued

## **...PLEASE ALL THE PEOPLE**





**Chicken-Liver Spread\***

**Veal Sauté Marengo\***

**Buttered Egg Noodles**

**Endive, Watercress and Beet Salad**

**Boule de Neige\***

**Coffee**

**CHICKEN-LIVER SPREAD**

1 cup butter or margarine, softened  
1 pound chicken livers  
¼ cup minced shallots or green onions  
1 small clove garlic, finely minced  
½ teaspoon salt  
¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg  
Dash of pepper  
2 tablespoons brandy  
Toast

Heat 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in large skillet over high heat. Sauté chicken livers, stirring occasionally, until brown on all sides. Stir in shallots or green onions and garlic. Reduce heat to low; cover; cook 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat; cool a few minutes. Put mixture through food grinder using fine blade or puree in a blender, a few livers at a time. Combine liver mixture, remaining butter or margarine, salt, nutmeg, pepper and brandy. Blend thoroughly. Pack into a crock or bowl. Chill. Serve with toast. Makes 12 servings.

**VEAL SAUTÉ MARENGO**

2 tablespoons butter or margarine  
2 tablespoons pure vegetable oil  
4 pounds boneless shoulder of veal, cut in 1-inch cubes  
2 cups minced onion (2 large)  
2 cloves of garlic, minced  
1½ cups dry white wine  
2 cans (4 ounces each) button mushrooms  
1 can (1 pound 12 ounces) tomatoes, coarsely chopped  
1 can (10½ ounces) chicken broth  
1 small bay leaf  
1 teaspoon leaf thyme, crumbled  
½ teaspoon peppercorns  
3 to 4 sprigs of parsley  
1 tablespoon cornstarch  
1 tablespoon water  
1 jar (3 ounces) pitted green olives, drained  
½ cup chopped parsley

Heat butter or margarine and oil in heavy saucepan or Dutch oven. Brown veal cubes on all sides. Stir in onion and garlic. Cook 2 minutes. Add wine. Bring to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer until liquid is reduced to half its original volume. Drain and reserve mushrooms. Add mushroom liquid, tomatoes and chicken broth to meat mixture. Place bay leaf, thyme, peppercorns and parsley sprigs in small piece of cheesecloth. Tie securely. Add spice bag to pan.

Cover. Bring to boiling. Simmer 1 to 1½ hours or until meat is tender. Discard spice bag. Dissolve cornstarch in water. Stir into sauce; cook, stirring constantly, until sauce is thickened. Add mushrooms and olives. Simmer 1 minute. Correct seasoning to taste. Turn stew into serving dish. Sprinkle with chopped parsley. Makes 12 servings.

**BOULE DE NEIGE**

*(Ice-Cream Snowball)*

1 jar (8 ounces) mixed candied fruits  
½ cup golden raisins  
½ cup orange liqueur  
1½ quarts vanilla ice cream, softened slightly  
1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Dice candied fruits; mix with raisins. Place in bowl. Pour liqueur over fruits. Cover bowl. Refrigerate one hour, stirring occasionally. Mix fruits and ice cream. Pack mixture into 2-quart bowl. Cover with circle of foil. Freeze until firm. Unmold onto well-chilled dish. Decorate with rosettes of whipped cream. Return to freezer until serving time. Cut in wedges to serve. Makes 12 servings.

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**APRICOT-COCONUT BALLS**

*(pictured)*

1 package (8 ounces) dried apricots  
2 cans (3½ ounces each) flaked coconut  
⅔ cup sweetened condensed milk  
⅔ cup canned toasted, sweetened coconut

Put apricots through food grinder or chop finely. Combine apricots, flaked coconut and condensed milk in medium-size bowl. Roll into small balls about ½ inch in diameter. (Before rolling, moisten palms with a few drops of water. This helps coconut stick to apricot balls.) Roll balls in toasted coconut. Set on tray to dry. Makes about 3 dozen.

**FONDANT MINT PATTIES**

*(pictured)*

¼ cup softened butter or margarine  
⅓ cup light corn syrup  
½ teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon peppermint extract  
Few drops red food coloring  
1 box (1 pound) confectioners' sugar, sifted

Combine butter or margarine, corn syrup, salt, extract and food coloring in large mixing bowl. Blend together. Add sugar gradually, stirring until smooth. Knead in remaining sugar with hands. Sprinkle wooden board and rolling pin with confectioners' sugar. Roll fondant mixture to ¼-inch thickness. Cut into desired shapes. Makes about 1 pound.

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*Wintergreen Mint Patties:* Substitute wintergreen extract and green food coloring for peppermint extract and red food coloring in above recipe.

## COBBLESTONE FUDGE

(pictured)

- 3 packages (6 ounces each) semi-sweet chocolate pieces**
- 2 cups miniature marshmallows**
- 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts**

Line bottom and sides of 8 x 8 x 2-inch pan with aluminum foil. Melt chocolate pieces in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water. Remove from heat. Stir in marshmallows and nuts. Spread in prepared pan. Let stand until firm. Cut into squares. Makes about 3 dozen.

## MARSHMALLOW HAYSTACKS

(pictured)

- 1 package (6 ounces) semi-sweet chocolate pieces**
- 2 tablespoons shortening**
- 30 large marshmallows**
- 1 cup canned toasted, sweetened coconut**

Melt chocolate and shortening together in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water. Stir until well blended. Pierce one end of marshmallow with a two-tine fork. Dip into chocolate mixture, turning to cover marshmallow completely. Hold over pan to let excess chocolate drip off. Dip top into toasted coconut. Place marshmallow, coconut-side down, on wax paper or foil until chocolate has hardened. Makes 2½ dozen.

## ORANGE PECANS

(pictured)

- 1 tablespoon grated orange rind**
- ¼ cup orange juice**
- ½ cup sugar**
- 2 cups (6-ounce can) pecans**

Combine orange rind, juice and sugar in medium-size saucepan. Bring to rapid boil. Add pecans. Stir constantly over high heat until all syrup is absorbed. Remove pan from heat. Stir until pecans have separated. Turn out onto cookie sheet to cool. Makes 2 cups.

## PEANUT BRITTLE

(pictured)

- 1 cup sugar**
- 1 cup shelled peanuts**

Melt sugar in a heavy skillet over medium heat until light brown in color. Stir occasionally. Spread peanuts on a cookie sheet in a circle about 8 inches in diameter. Pour hot syrup over nuts. Allow to cool thoroughly. When candy is cold, break into pieces. Makes about ¾ pound.

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Each index card has room for your own reference notes. **Sixty recipes** have been selected by our Food Editors, ready for you to clip and add to your own collection. For easy reference, an **equivalent chart** shows measurements and equivalent quantities of basic ingredients. **100 new, uniform-size, clear plastic sleeves** hold recipes neat and ready-to-use. **A shopping-list pad**, including handy lists of food and household products, will make meal planning easy and take the indecision out of shopping. The pad can be reordered with the recipe sleeves.



## COLD SPICED PEARS

- 1 can (1 pound, 13 ounces) pear halves    1 teaspoon whole cloves  
 ½ cup sugar    1 teaspoon whole allspice  
 ¼ cup vinegar    2-inch piece stick cinnamon

Drain and reserve pears. Measure 1 cup syrup into large saucepan (use remaining syrup another time). Add sugar, vinegar, cloves, allspice and cinnamon. Bring to boiling; reduce heat; simmer 10 minutes. Add pears; cook 3 to 5 minutes or until pears are heated thoroughly. Remove from heat. Cool. Refrigerate several hours before serving. Serve with all meat dishes. Makes 8 servings.

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# CANDIES continued

## DOUBLE PEANUT CLUSTERS

(pictured)

- 1 package (6 ounces) butterscotch pieces
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup cream-style peanut butter
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups whole salted peanuts (6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ounce can)

Melt butterscotch pieces and peanut butter in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water. Add nuts; stir until well blended. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto wax paper or foil-lined cookie sheet. Chill until firm. Makes about 3 dozen.

## FRENCH COCOA BALLS

(pictured)

- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup unsweetened cocoa
- 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sweetened condensed milk
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons vanilla
- Dash of salt
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup finely chopped walnuts

Combine cocoa, sugar, milk, vanilla and salt in mixing bowl. Knead with hands until mixture is smooth. Roll into small balls; roll in chopped nuts. (Before rolling, moisten palms with a few drops of water to help nuts stick.) Place on tray to dry. Makes 3 dozen.

## OLD-FASHIONED FUDGE

(pictured)

- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup evaporated milk
- 16 large marshmallows
- $1\frac{1}{3}$  cups sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter or margarine
- 2 packages (6 ounces each) semi-sweet chocolate pieces
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts

Combine milk, marshmallows, sugar, salt and butter or margarine in large saucepan. Bring to boiling; boil 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Add chocolate pieces; stir until melted. Add vanilla and nuts. Spread evenly in buttered 8 x 8 x 2-inch pan. Cool until set. Cut in squares. Makes about 3 dozen.

## BROWN-SUGAR CANDY

- 1 pound light-brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup heavy cream
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Combine sugar, cream and butter or margarine in medium-size saucepan. Bring to boiling, stirring constantly. Re-

duce heat; boil 6 minutes without stirring. Remove from heat. Beat with wooden spoon about 15 minutes or until mixture cools and thickens. Stir in nuts. Pour onto buttered cookie sheet, spreading mixture evenly until it is about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick. Cool thoroughly. Cut into squares and place in paper candy cups, if desired. Makes 1 pound.

## PEANUT-BUTTER CANDY SQUARES

- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter or margarine
- 1 jar (6 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 ounces) marshmallow cream
- $\frac{1}{3}$  cup cream-style peanut butter
- 4 cups oven-toasted rice cereal

Line bottom and sides of 9 x 9 x 2-inch pan with aluminum foil or wax paper. Melt butter or margarine, marshmallow cream and peanut butter in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water. Place cereal in large greased bowl. Pour peanut-butter mixture over cereal. Mix well. Turn mixture into prepared pan. Spread evenly with spatula. Cool; cut into squares. Makes about 3 dozen.

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### QUICK 'N EASY EGGNOG

2 eggs

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$\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon vanilla

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup heavy cream, whipped\*

Nutmeg

Beat eggs until thick and light in color. Gradually beat in syrup. Add milk and flavorings; mix well. Chill. Before serving, fold whipped cream into egg mixture. Sprinkle with nutmeg. Makes 6 servings.

Note: If desired, substitute 3 tablespoons each bourbon and light rum for the rum and brandy flavorings and increase syrup to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cup.

## HOT CURRIED FRUIT

- $\frac{1}{3}$  cup butter or margarine
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
- 4 teaspoons curry powder
- 1 can (8 $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces) crushed pineapple
- 1 can (about 1 pound) pear halves, drained
- 1 can (about 1 pound) sliced peaches, drained

Heat oven to 325°. Melt butter or margarine in medium-size saucepan. Add sugar and curry powder. Drain pineapple. Measure  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup pineapple juice; add to sugar mixture. Simmer until sugar is melted. Put drained pineapple, pears and peaches in buttered, shallow 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -quart baking dish. Pour sugar mixture over fruits. Bake 1 hour. Serve as an accompaniment with chicken, turkey or pork. Makes 8 servings.



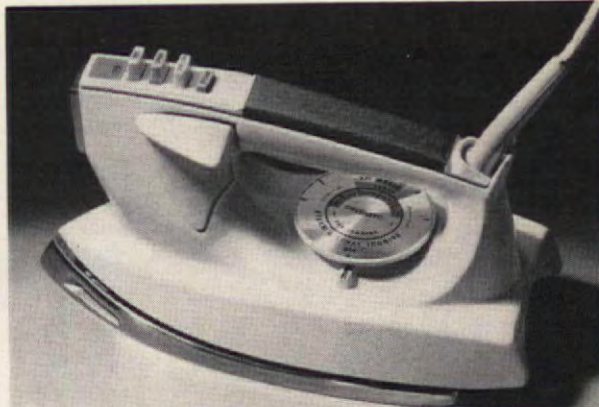
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## CANDIES continued

### CONFETTI NOUGAT BARS

- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 jar (6½ to 7 ounces) marshmallow cream
- 3 cups oven-toasted rice cereal
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup coarsely chopped pistachio nuts
- ¼ cup coarsely chopped candied red cherries
- ¼ cup coarsely chopped candied green cherries

Line bottom and sides of 8 x 8 x 2-inch pan with aluminum foil or wax paper. Melt butter or margarine and marshmallow cream in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water. Stir in remaining ingredients. Press mixture evenly into prepared pan. Chill until firm. Cut into squares. Makes about 2½ dozen.

### PERSIAN FRUIT CANDIES

- 1 cup pitted prunes
- 1 cup pitted dates (8-ounce package)
- 1 cup raisins
- ½ cup walnut pieces
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind
- 1 can (3½ ounces) flaked coconut

Put fruits and nuts through food grinder. Mix in bowl with ginger and orange rind. Roll into balls; roll in coconut. Place on platter to dry. Store in refrigerator. Makes about 4 dozen.

### CHOCOLATE CRUNCH

- 2 packages (6 ounces each) semi-sweet chocolate pieces
- 1 can (3 ounces) chow mein noodles

Melt chocolate pieces in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water.

Break chow mein noodles into small pieces. Stir into melted chocolate. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto cookie sheet lined with wax paper or foil. Makes about 2 dozen.

### EASY SEAFOAM DIVINITY

- 1 package (14 ounces) fluffy white frosting mix
- ⅓ cup dark corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup boiling water
- 1 package (1 pound) confectioners' sugar, sifted

Combine dry frosting mix, corn syrup, vanilla and boiling water in small bowl. Beat at high speed on electric mixer 5 minutes or until stiff peaks form. Turn into large bowl. Blend in confectioners' sugar gradually at low speed. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto wax paper. Let stand until surface feels firm. Turn candies over. Let stand 12 hours or until dry. Store in airtight container. Makes about 5 dozen.

### NUTTED CARAMEL APPLES

- 6 medium-size red apples
- ½ cup chopped walnuts
- 1 package (14 ounces) caramels
- 2 tablespoons hot water

Wash and dry apples. Insert a wooden skewer in stem end of each apple. Divide nuts into 6 equal mounds on a piece of wax paper. Stir caramels and hot water in top of double boiler over hot, not boiling, water until caramels are melted. Hold apple over pan. Spread caramel mixture over apple. Place in nuts. Sprinkle remaining nuts on apple. Repeat with other apples. Makes 6.

## SHOPPING INFORMATION

Merchandise listed here is available in leading department and specialty stores. If you cannot find it, write to American Home, Reader Service, 641 Lexington Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022, for additional information. Retail stores are listed with their cities. Items not listed may be privately owned or custom made.

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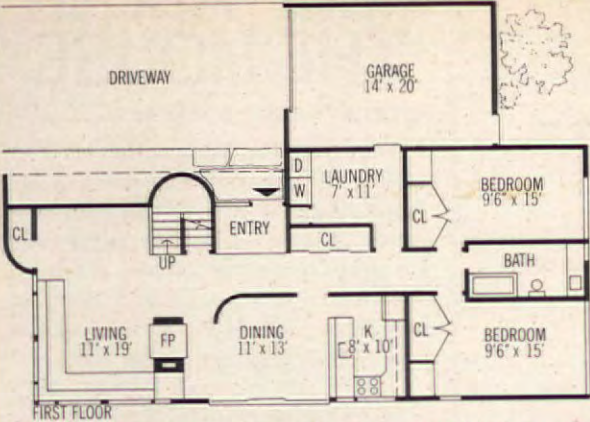
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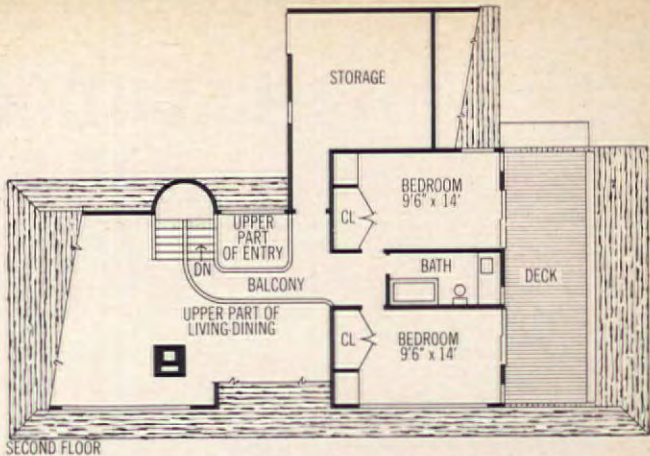
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A small outside area between the house and driveway, protected from snow by an overhang, is used for sunning and stacking ski



equipment. The curved forms of the staircase, balcony and dining area define spaces and bring a sculptural dimension to the interior.

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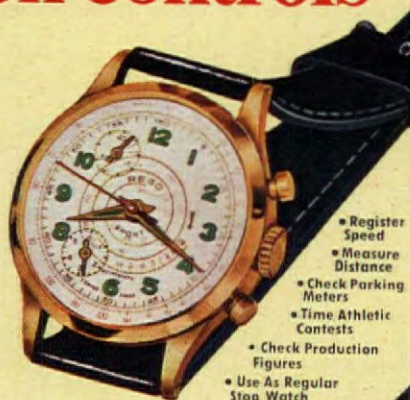


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## ELECTRIFY YOUR GUTTERS

Now that winter is upon us, I'm concerned about how to prevent ice from clogging the gutters on my house. Whenever this happens, water seeps into the house, staining the ceiling and walls and causing paint to peel. Is there a practical way to keep gutters free of ice?

Toledo, Ohio

Many hardware stores, and mail-order houses such as Sears, sell a heating cable which you criss cross over the bottom edge of the roof adjoining your gutters. Then you place a single strand along the bottom of each gutter. When snow builds up on the roof, you connect this cable to an electrical outlet and your problem is solved.

## COATED SAW BLADES STAY CLEAN

I've noticed that many tool manufacturers offer handsaw and power-saw blades that are plastic-coated. What is the advantage?

St. Louis, Mo.

Probably the biggest advantage is rustproofing. You don't have to oil a coated saw to prevent rust, and leaving it in a damp basement or tool shed, therefore, won't ruin it. The coating also acts as a lubricant, lessening the tendency to bind. With handsaws this makes a big difference when cutting sheet materials such as quarter-inch plywood. The coating also discourages the accumulation of sap.

## MATCH OLD AND NEW TILES

In replacing several asphalt tiles on our kitchen floor, I had to use new ones that didn't quite match the old tiles in color. Is there a way to darken the new tile?

Hamden, Conn.

It's difficult. You could rub into the new tiles small amounts of highly diluted dye, such as black shoe dye or ink from a felt-tipped marker that is a little darker than the color of the old tiles. This is a hit-or-miss proposition which should be tried first on leftover new tiles. Another way would be to place more new tiles around the floor to create the suggestion of a pattern.

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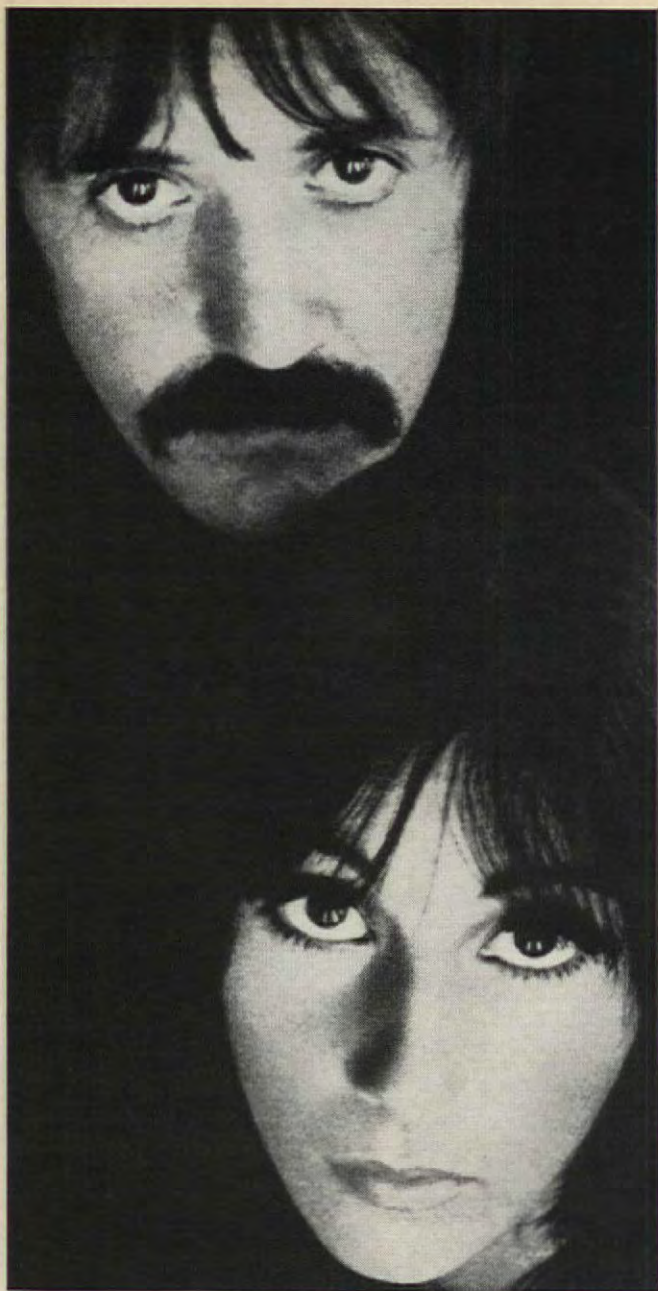
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## IS A PET GETTING YOU FOR CHRISTMAS?

Shopping for a Christmas pet is a combination of fun and heart-tugging confusion. In every pet shop or kennel, cuddly pups and pansy-faced kittens seem to sense that it's the season to use every beguiling trick they know—offering a small, soft paw, a joyful yip, a woeful meow. Each one seems to be saying, "I want *you* for Christmas!"

Before exposing yourself to the blandishments of these charmers, it's a good idea to think first about the kind of dog or cat that will fit in best with your family. The beagle, for example, is a perennial favorite. This little hound has an easy-going temperament and is sturdy and medium-sized, just right for a child's pet. The fact that a beagle is short-haired is a plus, too. A quick slick-down with a soft brush keeps his coat clean and shiny.

German shepherds, boxers, collies and Labrador retrievers fit the family who wants a lot of dog to love. Indoors, a big dog is generally quieter than some of the smaller breeds. He is best suited, however, to a home with a yard where he can run off his energy and get plenty of exercise.

If you live in a small house or apartment, you can find big-dog spirit in one of the medium or miniature breeds. Many of the toy dogs, like the Pekingese or the Yorkshire, have retained many of the characteristics of their bigger ancestors. Terriers are spunky, independent critters who require little living space and get plenty of exercise from a brisk walk each day.

Coat care, an important consideration in choosing a dog, should be kept in mind in choosing a kitten, too. The long-haired varieties are terribly elegant, but that luxuriant coat must be brushed every day. Long- or short-haired, cats are best suited to homes where they are appreciated for their playful, companionable personalities. Since a cat can live indoors and is clean and quiet, a kitten makes an ideal pet for apartment dwellers.

You should make a few preparations to be sure your new pet will feel comfortable. Before he arrives, the children should understand that he's more like a new baby than a new toy. Small children should be taught to sit on the floor when they hold a small animal. Should he suddenly wiggle out of the child's arms, he won't be dropped and injured. After the pet arrives, the children should also understand the ways an animal says that he is ready to play, needs food, prefers to take a nap or wants to go out.

A young animal requires plenty of sleep. Be sure your pet has a bed he can snuggle into when he needs a nap. Cats love the enclosed type with just a hole in front for coming and going. A dog's bed should have sides to ward off drafts and a comfortable, washable pad. Your new pet needs a place to enjoy his meals, too. Put his dish in a corner where he can eat without being stepped on.

Don't let small children spank or scold a puppy or a kitten—they're often too zealous. House-training and teaching a pet to obey are jobs that should be taken on by a mature youngster or adult, some one who can be both patient and consistent.

Care and kindness are all the pet that gets you for Christmas asks for. In return, he'll give you years of fun, affection and companionship.

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By Marilyn Estes Smith

We are a family who collects antiques and were eager to instill this love in our 10-year-old daughter, Priscilla.

When Priscilla was 2, her father and I decided that she was old enough for her first antique. We gave her a squat-legged, little wooden chair which she loved dearly. This chair had originally been yellow, but several generations of chubby little bottoms had worn the paint down to the bare wood. She also received a daguerreotype of Great-Great Aunt Priscilla. At the time, she didn't appreciate the gift but, as time

has passed, she has come to enjoy it.

On her third birthday, her Uncle Ted, a faithful auction-goer, found a small chest of drawers only 14 inches high. The chest was probably used originally for gloves or hankies—or it may have been a furniture sample. It made a perfect chest for Priscilla's doll clothes.

By the time she had neared the age of 4, Priscilla was becoming interested in these unique gifts and looked forward to her birthday with the hope of receiving a new treasure. On this occasion, we found a lovely, hand-hooked flowered

rug—a cozy place for Priscilla to sit when she dressed her dolls.

Her fifth birthday garnered a complete set of blue-willow doll dishes, old and fragile. We felt that, with some help from the adults in the family, she was old enough to care for her own china. She proved that she was, for Priscilla's set is still complete now five years later.

For her sixth birthday, Priscilla asked if she could help choose her gift, a tradition that has been carried on to this day. The search became a four-week adventure. Every Saturday morning, soon after breakfast, we went about searching for her gift. Finally, we found it—a doll with a delicate bisque head and leather arms and legs. Priscilla named her "Emily" for the doll belonging to Sara Crewe in *A Little Princess*, her favorite storybook.

Her next two birthdays evidenced her growing interest in more personal gifts. One year she chose a lovely, old gold locket that housed as a keepsake a soft blond curl. What fun we had imagining its unknown history! The next year she found a beaded pouch bag with a long handle and a tassel on the bottom, a beautiful accessory that should see plenty of evening use in later years when she is older.

On her ninth birthday, Priscilla asked for a rocking chair. We found a small, adult-sized rocker. Grandfather refinished it for her and Grandmother added her own delicate touch with a lovely needlepoint seat pad.

This year Priscilla reached her tenth birthday—and, as everyone knows, to be 10 is to be very special. Priscilla asked if she might have another piece of grown-up furniture to go with her rocker. After a lengthy search, we found a Jenny Lind bed. Grandfather was again put to work on the refinishing. And Priscilla's Aunt Jean gave her a "wedding ring" design quilt that had for years been lying in wait in her cedar chest for just such a special occasion.

All these antiques are unique gifts for a youngster. Priscilla has a head start on a lifetime interest that is healthy and absorbing. Just as important, she is developing a real sense of history and respect for the past. When you come to think of it, what more enduring gift can a child be given? **END**



Stephen Green-Armytage—he photographed "Christmas With the Skitch Hendersons" on pages 40-42—agrees, suggesting that in photographing your Christmas tree you close in on it until it fills the picture frame. "This way your tree will appear in all its glory, not just lost in a room."

Another Christmas-tree suggestion comes from photographer Tom Burnside. His technique: Take a time exposure with only the Christmas-tree lights and some candles burning while you hold a piece of glass lightly smeared with petroleum jelly in front of the lens. Remove the glass and expose the rest of the room with a manual flash. (This is all done in a few seconds.) The result will be tiny coronas of light around your candles and Christmas-tree lights with the rest of the room clearly visible as normal.

Variety of approach is what Fred Lyon urges as you shoot your holiday interiors. "Don't try for a whole room," cautions this photographer, whose work frequently appears in these pages. "Look at the corners—there may be an interesting arrangement in one of them." Lyon also suggests trying new angles: "Squat with your camera. Stand on your toes. Turn the camera on its side and try vertical views."

Light, of course, is the basis of photography and how you use it will mean the difference between success and failure. Maroon reminds us that "film does not soften images." A room too softly lighted will turn out to be harsh and contrasty if shot without a flash. He recommends "long exposures in a soft light for depth" and prefers late-afternoon exterior light for really soft effects. "For best results use a soft light in the foreground and a bright one in the background," he says, warning against having a brightly lighted object in the foreground (which will throw your background into darkness) or too wide a range of light. (The human eye is far superior to

any film in accommodating to extremes of light, but since it is film, not the retina, that gets developed and printed, the photographer is better off with the middle intensities of light.) Another interior-lighting approach is offered by Tom Burnside: "Just use the normal room lights but with bulbs of greater wattage in the sockets."

Meek likes to work with light that comes in a window to mold, sculpt and give richness to the forms and furnishings in a room. This is not direct sunlight, which is too harsh,

but the filtered feel of north light. He suggests making the most of such light by reflecting it back on the subject with "a white object, such as a sheet or a piece of paper." That sort of reflector is helpful. But of no help at all is another kind that Lyon warns against—a mirror or shiny surface that will bounce the light of a flash bulb right back into the camera. Remove the offending mirror, he says, or change the angle of your camera.

Zimmerman, who claims the hardest assignment he ever had was shooting his own house ("Suspended from a Hill," *AH*, Jan., '70), advises home photographers to get to know the varied exterior moods of their houses throughout all the hours and all the seasons and shoot the moods they like best. For interior shots, he recommends photographing early in the morning or late evening to achieve a balance of artificial light inside and natural light outside.

Shooting when it is totally dark outside eliminates, of course, the problems of color balance between natural and artificial light and the dangers of unbecoming blueness that imbalance brings about. If you are shooting color, you should use only one type of light source—the natural light coming in the window or artificial interior light—unless you are a wizard with filters and gels and that sort of gadgetry. Be sure, too, that you have the proper type of film for the light with which you are working.

Exterior shots are among the most popular at Christmas, particularly if there is snow. The danger in shooting exteriors, however, is that you might "tilt" the house over. How? If you aim your camera up to be sure of getting the chimney in, the walls of your house will not appear parallel in the photograph but will narrow at the top. The house will look as if it is falling over backwards. Green-Armytage

advises using a stepladder to get your camera more into the middle of the house. Or borrow a neighbor's upstairs window across the street.

A final word from the pros on steadying your camera. Zimmerman: "Don't trust your own hand. Use a tripod." Lyon: "If you don't use a tripod, try placing your camera on a table." And a last word from an amateur: The human eye sees what it wants to see, the camera sees what is there. So look sharp, then look again. And take the lens cap off. **END**

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## WYETH COUNTRY

Your October American Treasury on Chester County, Pa., brought back pleasant memories of long walks and Sunday drives along the paths and roads near the Brandywine Creek. I was impressed with your sensitive coverage of this beautiful historic area. Many thanks.

(Mrs.) Caroline W. Schroth  
Branchville, N.J.

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(Mrs.) Anne Rotruck  
Anderson, Ind.

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Frances Soika  
Novelty, Ohio

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Gilbert A. Crandall  
Director, Division of Tourism  
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Charles N. Barnum  
Beaufort, S. C.

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Jane L. Tyson  
Gardners, Pa.

I am writing to suggest that Berks County, heart of Pennsylvania Dutch Country, also has a combination of charm and style which might interest your readers.

John Joseph Stoudt  
Fleetwood, Pa.



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*Maralyn D. Arabia  
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*Mrs. Charles Fenner  
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*Please consider Lebanon, Conn., in one of your future articles on colonial architecture.*

*(Mrs.) Elaine Wallenburg  
Springfield, Va.*

*I'd like to draw your attention to the city of Kingston and the nearby town of Hurley in New York State's Hudson Valley.*

*Barbara Fairchok  
Kingston, N.Y.*

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*(Mrs.) Gwen B. Linton  
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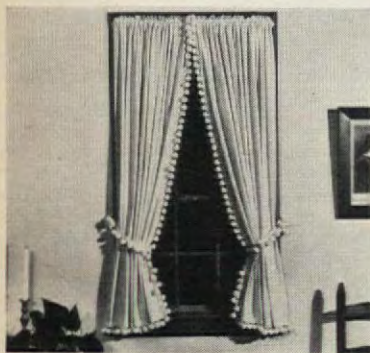
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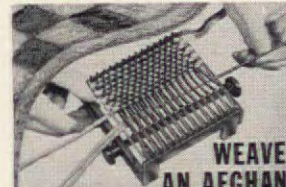
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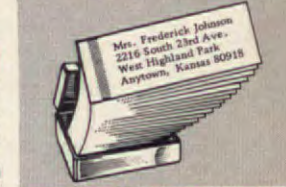
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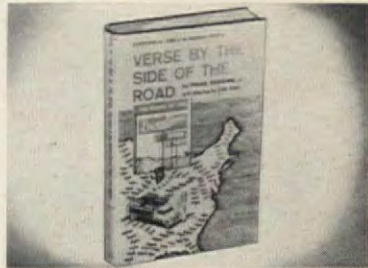
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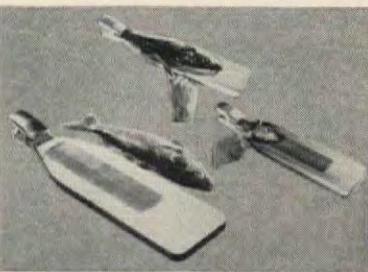
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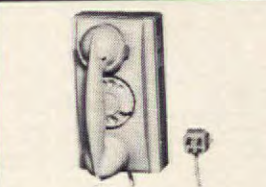
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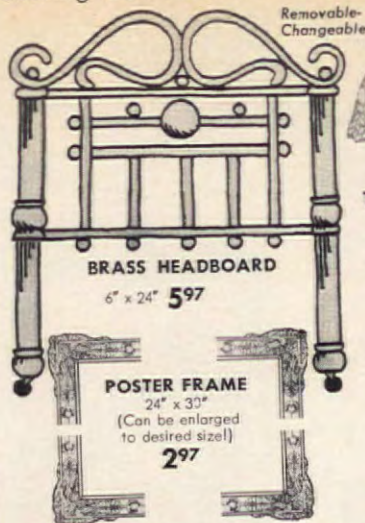


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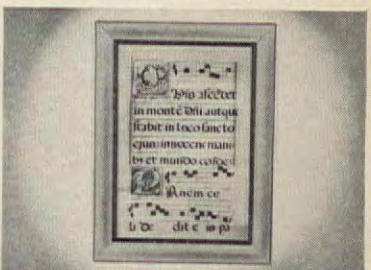
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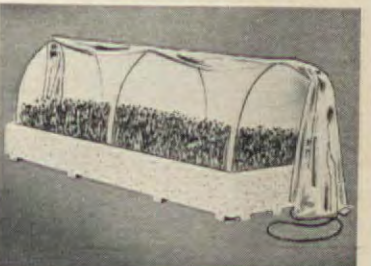
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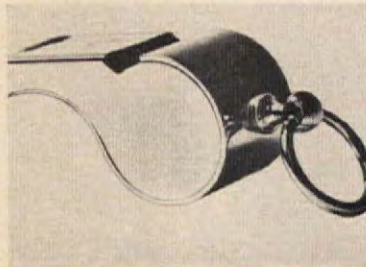
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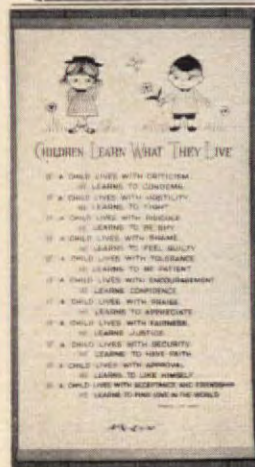
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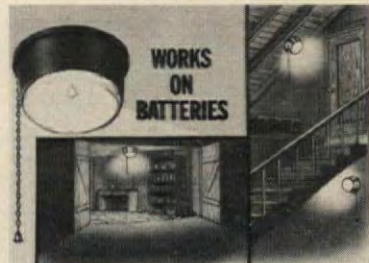
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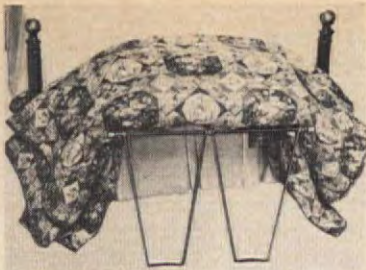
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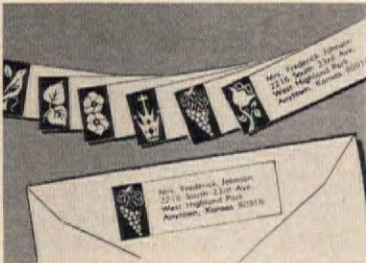
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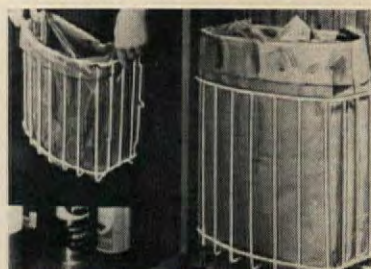
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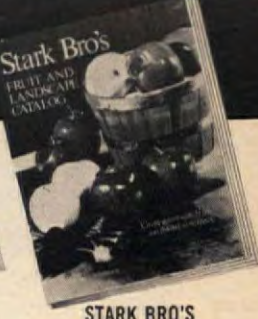
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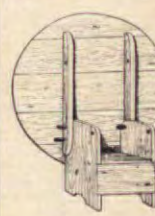
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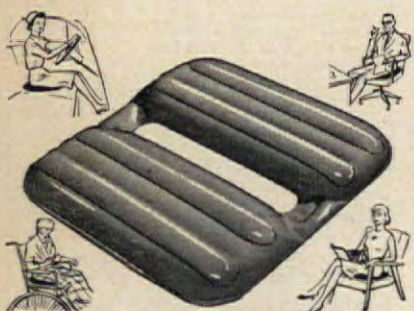
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