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PERSONALITIES IN THIS ISSUE: X. Boyd, who became curator of Spanish Colonial Arts in the Museum of New Mexico in 1951, has had old Santa Fe churches and chapels unlocked to her for research on the santos, the subject of her book Saints and Saint Makers and the article on p. 92. Danton Walker, who pooled his interests in theater and writing to become Broadway columnist of the N. Y. Daily News in 1937, restored a historic farmhouse, p. 107, an hour's trip from Broadway along the Hudson Valley where his maternal grandfather settled. Sigmund Spaeth, jack of all musical trades who has promoted American composers and music appreciation to countless Americans, can conduct an opera quiz on the air or write a symphony guide book that everyone understands, writes about instruments anyone can play, p. 109. Howard Dietz, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer P. F., who has contributed lyrics to some 16 Broadway shows including the memorable Bandwagen, is putting new words in the mouth of the Metropolitan Opera House. His newest libretto, for La Bohème, is one of five operas in English to be presented there this season, p. 114. Harriet Van Horne, television critic for the N. Y. World-Telegram and The Sun for 10 years and a regular panel member of TV's What's the Story?, appraises current programs, p. 115. Cooking, however, is the subject of a book she is working on under the title, Darling, Of Course I Can Cook. Deems Taylor, composer, author, and music critic, tells you how to start a record collection, p. 115. His radio commentaries for the Metropolitan Opera and the N. Y. Philharmonic concerts have an informal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian formal character because he composes them "by ear" at the typewriter in his New York apartment, which is lined with books and dominated by a Persian
How long is Christmas?

There is a little rhyme that children recite. It goes something like this: Here is the church, here is the steeple, open the doors, and see all the people. Children have a simple way of defining things. They say that a hole is to dig, a tree is to grow. They would probably say that a church is to pray. And what do little children pray for? They pray for the happiness of the people they love. Their idea is a pretty good one, too, often forgotten by grown-ups in the quick tempo of life today. Too often the meaning of Christmas is lost in the welter of ribbons and wrappings, cards and lists.

Christmas is a good time to pause and reflect, to think of the journey made by those three who crossed a silent plain with a single star to guide them. Today, we travel with split-second speed and our minds tend to race instead of reflect. But Christmas is not an abridged story to be read once through quickly; it is a classic that you can take down from the shelf time and again to discover anew its beauty and grace. It is a simple story with a message of faith and hope for all.
A padre welcomes his Indian children at Ranchos de Taos church

Santos of the Southwest

E. Boyd, Curator of the Museum of New Mexico, describes the carved primitive images that constitute a bright and original chapter in the folk art of America

In the nineteen hundred and fifty-two years since the birth of Christ, probably nothing has inspired creative men more than the story of Christmas. Great artists have left behind masterworks attesting to the Nativity, the Adoration of the Magi, and the Annunciation. More primitive artisans, isolated from culture centers, have created intensely pious and no less apologetic tributes to God, such as the simple devotional figures you see opposite. These santos, or images of saints, now prized by museums and private collectors, were carved from wood and painted more than a century ago by an unsophisticated but resourceful mountain folk in Colonial New Mexico. Once they were considered so grotesque, judged by current European standards for art, that many were destroyed. It is for modern eyes, educated to primitive forms by such painters as Matisse, Rouault, and Klee, that they have such a binding appeal. Partly it is their superb color, created, without the aid of oils, from the pure, natural pigments of the Southwest. Partly it is their charming simplicity, which is neither resplendent nor crude, and their naively direct symbolism—the images were made for a people already familiar with religious teaching, for whom symbols rather than literal delineations were sufficient. The santos are strangely matter-of-fact. Sometimes their expressive, pleasing features hint of a faint whimsicality, and always of a gentle benevolence. They relate to miraculous subjects in the same calm manner with which the people who owned them adjusted their lives to the elements of weather and geography, absence of luxuries and comfort, and frequent skirmishes with warring Indians. In size, the santos vary from a few inches high to nearly life-size. They are carved from cottonwood, pine, and (Continued on page 165)

Opposite: Colorful santos interpret the Virgin and St. Joseph
If paneling is a feature of your home, you can make the most of it by outlining a door and even a dado with decorative ropes of Christmas holly and berries.

For a musical family, polished brass horns overflowing with multicolored Christmas tree balls make gay cornucopias to hang on a hall door.

You can frame a front door effectively with a wide band of Christmas greens studded with varnished apples. The trick is to use chickenwire as a base.

If you live in a modern house which conceals its entrance from the street, you can dramatize a solid exterior wall by creating a lattice design in laurel.

If you want something different, try painting a pair of baskets white, filling them with powdered pine boughs, setting one on each side of the door.

A simple entrance will look as pretty as a Christmas card if you heap on laurel by-the-yard and a diadem of candles, in addition to the door wreath.
Christmas with all the trimmings

Here are some decorations that you and your children can make to give your home a holiday look

One of the best ways to share the spirit of Christmas is through the decorations you improvise for your home. Out come the cherished old ornaments. In come the fresh new greens of the season. And with a roll of tape, a pair of scissors, and a little imagination, you can prepare all sorts of decorations to give your home a holiday look from the front door to the fireplace. Your decorations can be as personal as your Christmas cards. Here are some clever ideas from Helen Cole, Inc. for making your own door wreaths, swags, and tree decorations. The first step is to count your blessings, i.e. the boxes of tree ornaments from last year, the good-as-gold Christmas tree balls that you can use on a mantel or door piece, the special star for the top of the tree, the crèche, the pair of carved wood angels, the table centerpiece of snow-dipped pine. The next step is to add to what you have any ingenious trimming you can invent or buy ready-made. To make your own decorations, some of the props you need are glazed paper, sequins, gilt, artificial snow, wax flowers, assorted gift-wrapping materials. If there is a theatrical supply store in your town, you'll find wonderful metallic gauzes which are easy to work with because they take any shape you like. In planning your decorations, you might think of your house as the stage on which family Christmas is played: guests greeted, stockings hung, tree trimmed, presents exchanged. Your front door is your greeting. The way you decorate it depends on whether it opens directly outdoors or into the hall of an apartment house. If the entrance is likely to be banked in snow, you will probably want to use some of the hearty evergreens of the season to decorate your door. You can brighten them with varnished fruit, gilded nuts, clusters of silvered pine cones, and gay satin ribbon. You can also gild inexpensive straw baskets, fill them with greens and Christmas tree balls, and either hang one on a

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(Continued) door knocker or set a pair on your doorstep like a welcome mat. On a protected, inside door, you can turn your imagination loose with luminous bows, tinsel, tarlatan, pleated paper fans, and cornucopias full of winking stars on gilded wires. Or you can cut cardboard into the shape of a Santa Claus mask, musical instrument, or Christmas stocking, then paint and trim it any way you like. Windows come next. What you put in them at Christmas can change the expression of your house. If you like the look of evergreen wreaths, you might spruce them up this year by adding paper flowers sprinkled with glitter, artificial fruit dipped in silver, pleated fans made of shiny paper or tarlatan, small multicolored felt bows, or old-fashioned garlands of tinsel and colored balls. If you believe there's nothing to equal the traditional candle in the window (a sign of welcome), you might put a string of electric candles in a window box made to fit the sill and covered with red or green paper. (Conceal the wiring with ordinary silver tinsel and surround the base with Christmas-tree balls.) In a modern house, a picture window gives you a large canvas on which to experiment. Try taping star and snowflake decorations onto the glass, or arranging window ornaments in the shape of Santa Claus, tree, angel, or snow man. If you are in possession of some old musical instruments, you can shine them and fill them with wired balls which seem to float out like notes of music, symbolizing the joy and gaiety of the season to every passer-by. Front door and windows are like an overture introducing the play, which begins in the hall.

The trimmings in your hall should be inviting, but substantial so that opening and closing the front door and whipping off coats will not diminish their splendor. For a table in the hall, you can decorate a small tree with brilliant ribbons and Christmas balls or fill a wire compote with tinsel, artificial fruit and shiny paper leaves. For the hall mirror, you can create swags in several ways. Drape bright sateen or tarlatan and colored balls across the top. Tape tinsel and ornaments onto the mirror itself in a swag effect. Arrange a string of metallic circles across the top and down the sides of your mirror for a shimmering confetti look. Through the railing of a stairway, you might twist red upholstery rope and tie it into a big tassel, bright with tinsel and balls, on the newel post. Christmas comes to a climax in the living room. The mantel is the focal point, lends (Continued on page 98)
A window wall is a natural for Christmas decorations. On to it you can stick fragile snowflake patterns, cut, as easily as paper dolls, out of folded, colored paper.

If your window curtains are made of a sturdy fabric, you can pin up Christmas tree balls on them at random and give your windows a glittering, fairy-tale look.

You don’t have to be an Alexander Calder to make your own Christmas mobile out of coat hangers or wire. It’s a matter of balancing ornaments by trial and error.

The fireplace is the focal point in the living room of the Saul Scharys, who mix glass reindeer and figures of angels with vivid paper flowers on the mantel, drape laurel and white roses from the cornice above the oil painting by Mr. Schary.

On draw curtains, you can attach silver stars to set off Christmas night buffet, left. The See-Mar serving cart has plastic-covered shelves, stores radiant-heat tray.
It's not what you trim, it's the way that you trim it. Here are Christmas ornaments to buy, or make yourself.

(Continued) itself to evergreen garlands, swags of bright fabrics, and candles in sequin-trimmed snowballs, glittering with jewels, or ringed with Christmas tree balls, shiny paper fans, waxy flowers, gay Christmas cards, or handwritten messages. If you have a simple, modern fireplace, you might produce a swag for it out of copper screening trimmed with silver or copper colored balls and three-dimensional stars. If your mantel is elaborate, a compote filled with holly or Christmas balls and a pair of obelisk-shaped candles dressed in gold lace give all the glitter you need. On Christmas Eve, the mantel becomes a foil for provocative Christmas stockings which you might consider making of felt, candy-striped fabrics, or gold mesh brimming with snow-dipped greens. Trimming the Christmas tree is your chance to be inventive. First, cover the base with pleated, shiny paper, colorful striped cotton, metallic cloth, dark green velveteen, or the like. You can set off your presents by cutting a star or scalloped circle out of felt for a background. As for trimming the tree itself, there are two schools of thought. The old-fashioned school harks back to candy canes, strings of popcorn and cranberries, tinsel, little presents tied to the branches, and ornaments of assorted shapes, sizes, and colors. Even more nostalgic is the tree that revolves on a musical box and is trimmed with old-fashioned paper and lace ornaments. Another school believes that the personality of the tree should be keyed to the decoration of the room or a particular mood. It might be blue or pink or silver and white, laden with flowers, sparkling butterflies, imitation jewels. A small tree is engaging trimmed entirely with tinsel birds and nests of small Christmas balls. A sophisticated tree can be made of metallic paper cut into a spiral, decked in sea-shells and pearls. The most modern idea is to make a mobile which stirs gently with your comings and goings.
This tree is glazed paper and wicker, from Lord & Taylor.

You can detach the rosy bouquets of this tree as souvenirs for your guests. From Lord & Taylor.

To make a swag for a hall door, Mrs. Howell H. Howard combines white upholstery rope, cherub, wax roses, stars and balls.

For a hall, choose a non-shedding tree made of tinsel, ribbons, and colored balls. From Helen Cole, Inc.

On a blackamoor, Mrs. Howard arranges Neapolitan angels and a German candle in pine which she keeps from year to year.

For a narrow mantel, here is a flat, shiny tree, right, from Helen Cole, Inc.

Centerpiece tree for your table has marzipan fruit, felt bows. From Helen Cole, Inc.

Make a mobile of ornaments from Lord & Taylor, like this one by Bradley Jernigan.
Christmas is for parties and people

Good Christmas parties don't just happen.
The season sets the mood.
H&G helps you set the scene and the table

Admittedly, it may be easier to entertain children than adults at Christmas, for at this time children are exceptionally well-behaved, but the parties ahead will be for the gay and gregarious of all ages, who will come early, make merry, and stay late. To prove this you need only add up the number of invitations to cocktails, eggnogs, sit-down dinners, stand-up buffets, afternoon teas, midnight snacks, and carol-sings you receive each year between the 20th of December and New Year's Eve.

Of first concern to hostesses is whom to invite and how to entertain them. Despite any initial plans to the contrary, most people end up by asking friends, relatives, and the children's friends, each of whom requires a different kind of amusement. Small children to have fun, for instance, must be provided with simple games, party hats, ice cream, something to do every minute, and something to take home. They are accustomed to being entertained in the afternoon. Teenagers like dance music, hamburgers, pop, potato chips, the rug rolled back, and privacy; this inevitably requires the run of the house for the evening. Most adults prefer talking and drinking; they also have been

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Opposite

Why not give a golden touch to your holiday table settings?
Gold-decorated silver and china will add dancing highlights to events during Christmas week whether it's dinner, buffet supper, or lunch. To inspire you, there is a new series of sterling silver with 18- and 24-karat gold motifs, handcrafted by the Gorham Company, appropriately called Thread of Gold. The patterns harmonize, so you can mix any one of four designs with the basic Gold Tip pattern (shown opposite with Stardust dinner forks). Gold-and-white Arzberg china and Orrefors crystal glasses complement the flatware. Notice how the mood of a table can be changed by cloths of different H&G colors, centerpieces of Christmas tree balls or gift packages. Shopping data for party portfolio, pp. 163, 164.

Coffee and liqueur wait for the tree-trimmers on a large brushed birch cocktail table by Conant Ball. A cheery Christmas candle, kept burning all evening, provides smokers with a handy light. The cane-paneled compartment takes a cargo of magazines.
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seen, under the stimulus of the latter, to enjoy trimming trees and singing carols. After the gifts have been opened, almost any father will be content to spend the evening scientifically investigating the toys Santa brought to the children, particularly the electric train. If guests are to be brought closer together through the common denominator of a game, the game should be short, stimulating, and result in a prize. Some people invite relatives one evening and friends another, a traditionally accepted custom; at a recent party, however, one hostess recklessly mixed the two, thereby avoiding an evening’s discussion of how much the children had grown and which wedding gifts cousin Julie exchanged. Successful entertaining does require a judicious mixing of people who like to talk and people who don’t mind listening.

Probably the foremost problem confronting a hostess today is how to entertain without ‘that old family retainer.’ One solution is cutting down proportionately on the number of guests, but this could lead to no guests at all if you have no servants. Several recent functions prove that it is still possible to practice the more-the-merrier rule if you can bring yourself to entertain as simply as you live. Most male guests, for instance, need very little urging to mix a really delicious pitcher of martinis. This also applies to husbands. Products of our automatic age can do much of woman’s work. A blender, for example, will mix drinks, beat eggnogs, purée soups, and shred cheese, some of which husbands will not do. Six-course sit-down dinners, like the family retainer, are on the wane. Unless you have delusions of grandmother, you will let your guests help themselves from a buffet.

Good hostesses also consider the comfort of their guests. Even the most toughened cocktail habitué at one time or another feels the urge to rest his knees. It is important, therefore, to have a place for guests to sit. Your furniture can be artlessly scattered among the guests so that any standee can inconspicuously admit defeat. Other comfort items include several kinds of cigarettes since most people, though they swear they can only smoke their special blend, have been seen to reach for the nearest brand if engaged in a really interesting conversation. Tables which support a drink or an elbow, a barrage of ash trays, and an efficient system for checking hats, coats, handbags, and gloves should also be provided.

Many of the most successful hostesses live in modern houses. Perhaps this is because the modern architect was the first to grasp fully the ‘open house’ feeling. Rooms which flow from one to another invite guests to do the same. No room in today’s house should be out-of-bounds to guests, including the kitchen, toward which all sorts of people (anthropologists, sopranos, and oil magnates) naturally gravitate. One school of thought is that the more people who wander into the kitchen, the better. Lured by an array of liquor, mixes, garnishes, and someone else’s cocktail shaker, the man who avoids his own kitchen like the plague will be the first to want to linger in yours. This is a sure indication that the party is relaxed, and, as anyone knows, a relaxed party practically runs itself.

All that has been said thus far has dealt with giving parties. A parting word should be said for those being entertained. Despite how outwardly relaxed they seem, the best guests consistently follow certain unspoken rules of decorum. They never arrive with a brace of dogs or a group of carousers picked up at the party which they’ve just come from. A good guest does not drop purses or drinks where other guests might stumble over them; he keeps ashes within bounds of the nearest ash tray and makes use of coasters. When a good guest says goodbye, he leaves, undeterred by bitter-enders, probably because he has given many a good party himself.

What makes a children’s party fun?

A big party for little people involves plenty of things to do. Reindeer to cut out, crepe paper to pleat into stars and tie on the tree, balloons to blow up, and paper cups to form into tiny trees makes a trimming party fun. There may be hot chocolate in pretty decorated mugs and for dessert, all the fixings for the children to make their own ice cream cones. More children’s party ideas, p. 87. Tables, pp. 104, 148.

For children to make:
a reindeer that carries a gift,
a Christmas tree made from a paper cup.
Materials from Dennison’s.
When the small ones have a party, a round coffee table with a Lazy Susan top makes a tot-sized work table. Later it will hold the food which now waits on the three-tiered table on wheels. Both pieces in light maple from Sligh's new "Keynote Group."
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Long mahogany bench usually occupied by televiewers quickly converts for spur-of-the-moment cocktails when cushions are placed Oriental-fashion on the floor. Table is used for mixing drinks. Made by Erwin-Lambeth.

Refreshments for carolers can be easily moved to the piano or fireplace on a Weiman French Provincial cherry tea cart with shelf below. For a large coffee party or small buffet, drop leaves extend to hold cups and saucers. A bottom drawer keeps napkins and silver within reach.

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After-dinner poker can be played on the same octagonal table you used for serving an early supper if you remove the extra panels which cover the poker chip compartments. The side chairs and handy tray table with a wrought-iron handle match the light knotty pine table by Habitant.

A chafing-dish breakfast after midnight mass can be served wherever it pleases you from a mobile tea wagon and an English Provincial hutch-buffet made by Kindel. The cherry buffet has a special drawer for silver.
A little informal Christmas week dinner, with candlelight and wine, can be served in the coziest corner of the living room on this small triangular French Provincial console table by Bodart. Three drop leaves open into a round dining table at which four people can have dinner, later play cards. Walnut arm and side chairs also by Bodart. To complete the festivities, presents for each guest wait on small table in the background.
Night-before-Christmas parties

Marian Maeve O'Brien gives menus and recipes guaranteed to inspire

tree-trimmers, fortify carolers, and revive wilting Santas

Christmas Eve, when anticipation is still high and sharp, when the thought of peace on earth is filling our hearts, when packages still unopened hold the promise of wonderful things to come, is a magic time for everybody. For children. For grandparents. For friends whom you haven’t seen in many a month and for those that you love so much that you see them every day. If you want to make the most of this warm, wonderful moment, we suggest that you give a Tree Trimming Party this year. Here are three menus that Marian Maeve O'Brien, an accomplished food enthusiast, used over and over again, each with a slightly different theme, each appropriate for a different hour. Because it’s such a busy time, most of the work of preparing these menus can be taken care of well ahead of time, so that the day itself can be given over to holly hanging, bow tying, and all the myriad little tasks that belong to the day before Christmas. The recipes themselves are heirlooms in her family, most of them having come down from her English and Alsatian ancestors. We think they’ll become heirlooms in your family, too. They’ll give your children something to remember, and your guests a ticket straight back into the scenes of their own childhood. They prove that it’s hospitality that makes Christmas a magic season.

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Children may think it a game but parents know tree-trimming is work which earns its reward

The customs and the comradeship of Rockland County are what make country living so enjoyable for a man like columnist Danton Walker. On New Year’s Day, for instance, a turkey shoot, is the traditional sport. From door to door, a salvo of rifles announces the event, and it’s customary to invite the crowd in to toast the new year. Mr. Walker’s Early American farmhouse welcomes the neighbors with warmth and hospitality. The living-kitchen preserves country flavor, but one wall (opposite the fireplace) has been modernized for convenient cooking and serving. Part of the charm of Mr. Walker’s house is derived from his handsome collection of pewter. On a round dining table in front of the white-brick fireplace, he puts a pewter bowl of grog and tankards of all sizes. Above the table hangs a pewter chandelier, one of the few owned in this country. A sideboard at the left of the fireplace is heaped with the kind of hors d’oeuvres that men like: hard-boiled eggs, cheeses, baskets full of crackers. In addition to its time-honored customs, Rockland County has its legends; a Hessian ghost from the Revolution is said to wander through Mr. Walker’s house, down the very stair from which this photograph was taken. For Danton Walker’s recipes for grog and for cleaning and polishing pewter, write to H&G’s Reader Service. For information about the ghost, write to Mr. Walker.
Fun with music

Sigmund Spaeth describes a variety of musical instruments that you can play with little or no training

We have all met the *paterfamilias* who gives his little boy Christmas presents which he then plays with himself. Many an electric train or mechanical set has been sold to a youngster in his forties who got right down on the floor and had a wonderful time, while Junior looked on with envy.

Parents who have a secret yearning to make a little music but are not anxious to exhibit their lack of talent can take heart from the fact that a number of fascinating musical gadgets and toys may now be brought into the home, supposedly for the children but actually for the self-expression of parents. Some of these aids to musical progress are far more than mere playthings, capable of quite attractive performances. Almost all of them have the virtue of making no demands whatever on instinctive musical gifts and avoiding any suggestion of the drudgery required for impressive exhibitions of technique.

Many a living room has a silent piano standing in one corner, its keyboard closed, with perhaps a Paisley shawl, a lamp, some books and flowers on top, perpetual reminders that this is no longer considered a musical instrument, but merely a decorative piece of furniture. The family piano can now be put to work again, and a complete novice can immediately produce some highly satisfactory music, regardless of any individual talent or willingness to practice.

The answer, for Father and Mother as well as the children, is found in a new device called the Playano. This is an extra set of eleven white keys, fitting over the middle of the keyboard, where it easily slides on and off. Every key, when struck with one finger, actually sounds three of the regular keys in a perfect harmony, to which a bass note can be added below if desired. The keys of the Playano are numbered from 1 to 11, starting at Middle C and permitting a variety of familiar pieces to be played without any preparation or training whatever. There (Continued on next page)
Little girl, big harmonica. Christina Clarke, age 2, of Pound Ridge, New York, met her first harmonica when this picture was taken. This flexible instrument can be easily mastered by beginners, yet in expert hands it can cope with the intricacies of the *Rhapsody in Blue*. 
No coaxing is needed to get children to play simple instruments like the ones that have captured the attention of these youngsters at a party in Westchester County, New York. Reading clockwise from the left: the Slide Whistle played by Peter Fyler, Flex-a-Tone by Lynn O'Dell, Autoharp by Susan Carr, Harmonica by Sandra Carr, and the Tonette by Clairborne Carr.

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(Continued) are no notes to read, for the words of a song are simply printed on cards, with the number of the proper key under each syllable. The player's own ear governs the rhythm, although even this is indicated on the card.

The numbering of the scale is musically correct and greatly to be preferred to the old-fashioned Sol-Fa system, which inserted an entirely unnecessary step between the recognition of absolute musical intervals and the reading of notes. Thus a child or adult wishing to play Jingle Bells (and who doesn't?) merely reads from the card and plays with one finger 3, 3, 3—3, 3, 3—3, 5, 1, 2, 3—4, 4—3, 3, 3—3, 2, 2, 3—2, 4, 4—3, 3, 3—3, 5, 1, 2, 3—4, 4—4, 3, 3—3, 5, 5, 4, 2, 1. Try it on your own piano, to see how the numbers fit the tune. Then slide a Playano over the keys and convince yourself that you are a one-fingered virtuoso!

Joy to the World and Silent Night are normal additions to the Playano's Christmas repertoire, and you can also have a lot of fun with the Caisson Song, the Marine's Hymn, Old Folks at Home, and other Foster classics, and dozens of the old favorites that most of us know by heart. After a few experiments you hardly need the cards to guide you. Our old housekeeper, now in her eighties, sat right down at the Playano and for the first time in her life accompanied herself in the songs she loved; and our grandchildren, starting on the same instrument at the ages of three and five, went right on to the regular keyboard long before they were ready for lessons. (They still consider music to be primarily a game.)

For those who pass the Playano stage and find their musical ambitions mounting, there are various aids and stimulators to the use of the piano itself. The color chart system has proved successful in dodging the menace of note-reading while establishing the universal pattern of the keyboard. Adults have also responded readily to the chord approach, finding it fairly easy to create with their own fingers the effects that a Playano achieves automatically.

Once the sequence of black and white keys has become familiar (and don't forget that there are only seven letters in the musical alphabet, as compared with twenty-six in the English language), the now unembarrassed adult may apply his new-found skill in a variety of ways, still taking advantage of the modern labor-saving devices. If the one-finger habit continues to be (Continued on page 172)
Teen-agers will stay at home if home has something to offer. The tape recorder may not keep all of our 15 million teen-agers off the streets but, like TV, it helps encourage activity at home. Tapping music in Pound Ridge, New York, are Dick Price, saxophone; Barbara Schuster, 12-base accordion; Tom Puite, guitar. Thomas Jeffreys, at the microphone, is announcer and singer.
The tape recorder is a new household genie

This ingenious machine provides entertainment, acts as a family album, and serves as a new, dynamic method of correspondence

We live in an age in which the miraculous has rapidly become mundane. Considering the life of the human race, it was only a short time ago that we were astonished by the first phonograph, yet today anyone with a tape recorder in his home can record practically any sound he wants to, from baby's first inarticulate gurgles to the world's finest musical creations. The tape recorder is a member of that truly marvelous quartet, including the phonograph, radio, and television set, each of which is a kind of latter-day Scheherazade (the legendary Sultana who told a story a night for a thousand and one nights). With the turn of a knob or the push of a button you can perform feats with the tape recorder that might well have astounded the genie of Aladdin's lamp; yet it looks as though it will be a household object as common as the dustpan.

What are its uses? If we think of it as a Scheherazade, it immediately becomes obvious that it is an improved variety. In contrast to her story-a-night, the tape recorder can assimilate and replay any kind of entertainment—spoken, sung, or instrumental—since you can use it to record "live" performances by yourself or your friends, or performances on records, the radio, or television.

Looked at from another point of view, this machine has become a supplement to the family photograph album, retaining the sounds of memorable events in the family's life, such as reunions, wedding receptions, and birthday parties. One of its newest uses is to record accompaniment for home movies.

But entertainment is not the sole virtue of the tape recorder; it has its serious uses as well—a fact of which schools, business executives, and even the police force are aware. To anybody studying music or preparing a lecture it can be an invaluable aid, for it permits you to hear yourself as others will. Perhaps its most heartening use is as a form of communication, for a reel of tape brings to its recipient a sense of contact with the sender that a letter can never convey. A company that manufactures both wire and tape recorders, sponsors a new world-wide fraternity, called the "Wirespondence Club." Members correspond with each other on 15, 30, or 60 minute spools. A person receiving a wire message can send one back on the same spool, for when he records his message it automatically erases the previous one. This interchange can be carried on for years without the wire losing its quality, enabling a New Yorker to discuss international politics with a Cuban; a housewife in Dubuque to compare recipes with a woman in London in the afternoon and stamp collecting with a man in Quebec that night; a French war bride to chat across the Atlantic to her parents in a small village.

So potent is the sound of the human voice that many members feel that a widespread interchange between people of different nations can do great good in improving human relations. One of the most ambitious attempts along these lines has been the group exchange between the towns of Springfield, Massachusetts, and Shiremoor, England. Springfield's mayor opened their spool with a greeting to the people of Shiremoor. He was followed by the editor of the Springfield Daily News and the program manager of a local radio station, then a minister, a priest, a rabbi, and the superintendent of Springfield's public schools. They described their town, their lives, and their feelings about world conditions. When this spool reached Shiremoor, officials from all over the country gathered to listen, and enthusiastically recorded an answer.

For general home use, tape, rather than wire, is favored. You can buy a good tape recorder for around $150, but if you require high fidelity quality you can, without much trouble, spend three or four times that much. You can buy a portable machine, designed primarily for home use, with its own amplifier and speaker which can be used independently, or connected to a radio or phonograph. You can also buy equipment of the caliber used by professionals, and install it in a cabinet of your own choice with other high fidelity equipment.

In any case, it does not require a great amount of experience to make good tape recordings. No matter what they cost, all recorders work on the same principle, all use the same kind of tape. All can provide you with numberless hours of entertainment and satisfaction, depending upon your ingenuity and imagination.
Listener's guide to opera, television, recordings

Howard Dietz, librettist of the new La Bohème at the Metropolitan Opera, presents the case for opera in good English

The question before the House—the Metropolitan Opera House—is how far to go with operas in English. To date the Met has not gone very far, but the demand is growing. Singers with European accents are brushing up on their Shakespeare. They now realize that flawless English pronunciation will be useful to them not only on the stage but also in television, where operas will be presented. Rudolf Bing, an impresario with courage, isn’t exactly an advocate of the anglicized form, but he seems willing to consider any innovation, as long as it’s good and one for which funds can be raised. Brought up in the European tradition, he knows that in practically every country imported operas are served up in the domestic tongue, whereas in the U.S.A. we still avoid substitutes. Perhaps the vast number of foreign-born in our great metropolis accounts for it, or perhaps what was good in the first place is considered generally superior to the translations. The fact remains that the Metropolitan Opera’s 3,300 seats are filled almost every performance, and capacity isn’t enough to pay the freight. Therefore, it isn’t English versions so much as a new opera house that will solve Mr. Bing’s problem.

Despite the loyalty to operas in the old style, it must be noted that audiences at the Met do not always laugh in the places where they should laugh, except where the comedy is physical. As the critic George Jean Nathan might say, a fall on the sitspot is international. But they don’t get the jokes. Maybe this is what has persuaded Mr. Bing to surrender the lighter works to English adaptation and accounts for Fledermaus and Cosi Fan Tutte. Whatever the reason, the field is opening up and this season there will be five operas in English presented in that damask music hall where the very walls, like the soup stock of a famous restaurant, are saturated with flavor.

My recent experiences in making adaptations have persuaded me to enter a controversy that has been raging since they did The Barber of Seville in English for the society dominated by Dolly Madison. Recently I did a version of La Bohème as a labor of love, and I soon realized when I tackled the work that although I had seen the opera many times, there were several passages which I had never literally understood. This confirmed my belief that there were many others like me who are often in the dark as to the nuances and incidental points in the prosody. Like these many others who go to the opera on occasion, my musical education is where a Greek philosopher consolingly said it should be—in the ear. Therefore, I react normally to good singing and enjoy emotional as well as descriptive emanations from the orchestra pit. But it would be inaccurate to say that I am always confident of what is going on even in those operas I have seen over and over again. After studying some of the librettos—with a “pony”—it is now clear to me that the measure of merit in the music is almost impossible to determine without first knowing the exact meaning of the words that are sung. Most of us who are unfamiliar with foreign languages do not criticize the common faults which Benjamin Franklin described in a letter to his brother, Peter. These are “(1) Wrong placing of accent or emphasis by laying it on words of no importance or on wrong syllables. (2) Drasling; or extending the sound of words or syllables beyond their natural length. (3) Stuttering; or making many syllables of one. (4) Unintelligibility; the result of the three foregoing united. (5) Tautology; and (6) Screaming without cause.”

In most cases the librettos were set to music rather than the other way around. Therefore, the composer was accenting a literary job in the first place. When one is at home with a libretto, the enjoyment of the music is multiplied many times. The entire work becomes coherent and there is appreciation not only for the well-turned lyric phrase, but also for the way it has been set to music by the composer. A poor English version of a... (Continued on page 179)
When television was something we spoke of in the future tense, we could look forward to seeing Broadway shows from our own sofas, hearing the great artists of the concert stage, meeting the celebrities of the world. Today, television has shifted to the present tense. It has an audience of some 60 million people in the U.S.A., and the average set owner watches his screen about two and a half hours a day. Television has effected devastating changes in the entertainment industry, the pattern of America's leisure, the character of its political campaigns. It has given small boys such new heroes as the spaceship pilot. But has television fulfilled its promise to bring the living theater into the American home?

As one who has spent the better part of her evenings watching the uncertain medium progress from Hoot Gibson to Howdy Doody (artistically, the progress is something less than a handspan), I think the fairest answer is: only now and then does television bring us living theater, but there is hope. At times, the impression is that you have the old Bijou-Belvedere Cinema in your home. Old movies are still being run off, night after night. And no matter how you look at it, an old movie is still an old movie, and often one you've seen before at that.

Adding to the unfortunate Bijou illusion is the current trend toward half-hour films which were made in Hollywood especially for television. Except for a few top-notchers such as Ozzie and Harriet and I Love Lucy, these programs have remarkably poor plots, acting, and technical know-how, compared to what we were led to expect the film capital would bring to the new medium. Only one major studio is turning out these half-hour epics. The rest of the "packages" (as the trade calls any TV property) are apparently shot in dingy lofts with one camera and a cast recruited from some busy intersection at noon. The technical quality of Columbia Picture's gift to TV, now being shown under the general title of The Ford Theater, is

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Deems Taylor, composer, writer, and lecturer on music, tells how to start a basic record library

As we go to press, H&G is delighted to announce that Columbia Records is preparing a Deems Taylor Record Library based on selections in this article. Container will hold several of these LP records and provide space for future additions.

If you're a concert and opera fan, or have access to one of the stations that regularly broadcast serious music, you need read no further. Your taste in music is already formed, and you need no advice from me. The you that I am after hasn't heard a great deal of symphonic or operatic music, is curious to know more about it, and would like to start a library of records. Perhaps I can help you.

To begin with, get the best machine that you can possibly afford. Get one with three speeds—78 rpm, 45 rpm, and 33 1/3—although you will probably use only one of them, the 33 1/3 rpm (revolutions per minute). Then start your library with the long-playing records—the 33 1/3's. They have several advantages over the 78's. For one thing, they will stand more rough treatment. They're not literally "unbreakable," as advertised, but they are tough. Furthermore, they are easier to store. For example, there is a complete recording of Puccini's Madame Butterfly available in three LP records—six sides. They take up a scant half inch of shelf space, and weigh about 1 1/2 pounds. The corresponding 78 recording comprises two albums, containing seventeen records—34 sides—which take up three inches of shelving and weigh about 16 pounds. But the greatest virtue of the LP's is the fact that whereas a 78 rpm record plays about 4 1/2 minutes per side, the LP plays up to thirty-two minutes without changing. This means that you can play an entire symphony or opera, with only such interruptions as would occur anyhow in the course of a concert or opera performance.

Now as to the contents of this foundation library. It should, I think, cover as much ground as possible. Here is a list of 50-odd recordings that cover ten kinds of music.

Concerning the first kind, vocal music, I'm going to make no specific recommendations. You have probably heard most of the first-rate artists on radio or television, and have your mind already made up as to your favorites.

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Sentimental journey

TV's first opera, Amahl and the Night Visitors, retells the moving story of the Magi

Amahl and the Night Visitors, a tender opera by Gian-Carlo Menotti, holds the distinction of being the first opera ever written expressly for television. Because of its enthusiastic reception last year, NBC television will rebroadcast it this Christmas and probably for many Christmases to come. The story is a variation on the beloved Three Wise Men theme. Three visitors bearing fabulous gifts for a new and wise king spend the night in the poverty-stricken home of Amahl, a lame peasant boy, and his mother. When they are about to depart, Amahl offers his only possession, his crutch, as a gift for the new king. With this gesture, his lameness is miraculously cured. Eugene Berman's original water-color sketches, opposite, from which the handsome sets and costumes were designed, introduce several of the opera's most poignant moments: Amahl's appealing defense of his mother after she attempts to steal the visitors' gold, the stirring dances of the peasants, the magnificent procession of the three kings, and Amahl's own joyous first steps as he walks again. Like the simple tale, the music is sweet and tender. At moments of great dramatic climax, it is intensely spirited. The idea for Amahl came to Gian-Carlo Menotti when he saw Hieronymous Bosch's fifteenth-century painting of the Adoration of the Magi at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Its theme is not unfamiliar to Mr. Menotti who, as a child in Cadegliano, Italy, received gifts each Christmas from The Three Kings, the town's equivalent of our Santa. Nearly 25 million Americans saw the television première of Amahl and the Night Visitors last Christmas Eve and a rebroadcast on Easter Sunday. Thousands more saw it produced at New York's City Center Theater, in Cleveland, Ohio, and Bloomington, Indiana. It is the only opera to be seen first on television and then on the stage. Now RCA Victor has recorded the popular 50-minute opera for home listeners. Like A Christmas Carol, Amahl and the Night Visitors is rapidly becoming a Yuletide classic.
How to buy and where to place a piano

If figures from past years mean anything, almost 150,000 American families will buy new pianos in 1953. Their enjoyment of this rich instrument may consist in tracing the progress of children from scales to Scarlatti, in accompanying sentimental ballads for family parties or for friends, or in picking up a long-forgotten sonata. However it fits into the family picture, the piano will be a lifetime investment—and a sound as well as a satisfying one.

WHAT DETERMINES PRICE? Should you be among the 150,000 this year, you will spend anywhere from $500 to $6,000. What accounts for this huge difference in price? First of all, the most expensive pianos are essentially made by hand. Hand gluing rather than machine, slow drying of the glue, and hand pressing rather than by machine of plywood layers represent only a few of the painstaking processes employed. Woods lie weathering around in yards for as long as five years. Less expensive makes of piano use machine processes to save time, and some put their faith in instrument-controlled kiln drying and synthetic glues bonded by processes perfected during the war in the construction of airplanes. Another price factor is the selection and finishing of woods for the outside cabinet. In the most expensive pianos, for example, veneers are numbered and matched up over the course of assembly so that you can be sure that every exterior section, including the desk, came from neighboring slices of the same tree. Inside the piano, the kind of action you get also helps determine price. For more expensive grand pianos, the manufacturers make their own actions, each patenting his system for instantaneous release of the hammer after striking. Thus, it is easier to execute rapidly repeated notes on a grand than on a vertical, a difference which primarily affects accomplished pianists. For lower-priced verticals, the actions are bought ready-made, as are the plate and the keys. The quality of these is relatively standardized, and the difference in the final result depends on how the piano-maker handles them. For instance, there is the matter of regulating the action, which must be done again and again, the more often the better. Some makers tune their pianos four or five times, others twice as many. In between each stage of assembly are periods of rest during which the materials adapt themselves to the new strains put on them. An instrument that has rested for a year or two part-way down the line will be like a wine that has lain longer in the cask—better and more expensive. Whatever kind of piano you select, you will be wise to buy a recognized make, rather than depending on the recommendation of friends, or even of tuners or music teachers. Five years is the usual guarantee you get on well-known makes. This is actually plenty of time for any structural defect to show up and so well are pianos made that there are mighty few of these. On the other hand, a piano can be ruined in a year with bad care. So when a dealer offers a lifetime guarantee, it is best to be wary.

WHAT STYLE OF PIANO SHALL YOU BUY? The figures show that there is far greater demand for traditional than for modern styles. Finishes tend toward the traditional, too, with a strong trend toward mahogany. Blond woods and severely modern lines account for only some 15% of the spinet types manufactured. At intervals over the years, novelty pianos are introduced and almost as quickly drop out of sight. This year, for example, there is a new corner piano, which has yet to be proved. However, while traditional styles such as Hepplewhite, Queen Anne, and Louis XV dominate, these have been considerably simplified, as the piano with fallboard open (and it should stay that way) is in itself sufficiently decorative.

HOW TO BUY A SECOND-HAND PIANO. In addition to the 150,000 new piano buyers, 1953 will probably see an equal number of second-hand ones change hands. If you are among these buyers, you are on trickier ground, for in many ways a piano is a “blind” article. Here someone with the professional knowledge of a

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In the Florida house of Mrs. Zelda Kaplan the grand piano is placed at an angle in her music room, so that at larger musicals, guests in the living room, from which it opens, can see as well as hear. Her music room was designed with perfect acoustical control, also has ceiling spotlighting. Architect, William E. Kittle.

In the Connecticut home of architect Perry Duncan, the walnut piano is a center for family fun. Mr. Duncan likes to play both classical and modern music, and friends often dance here, to piano music and to records. The piano is placed beside a window wall to give a good view of the lake and the attractive driveway.

In an L-shaped apartment, a spinet piano can be used to divide the dining alcove from the living room. This solution frees your wall space for large sofas and storage pieces. In back of the piano, you might place a low floor screen of bleached oak which will help to act as a soundboard for tone.

A recessed wall in a living room is a natural place to put a console piano. It is a good idea to leave a small breathing space between the piano and the wall so that the sound won't be closed in. To increase the sense of depth, you might use a scenic mural wallpaper in niche.
In the New York apartment of Mrs. Dorothy Hale, who likes to give small professional musicals, the ebony piano is placed so that two walls can throw its sound out into her living room. Tall lamp in the corner is not for the piano. Instead, ceiling spots cast indirect light from above. Decorator, W. Jay Saylor.

For his own New York apartment, decorator Ted Sandler left space around his grand piano so that friends can stand about it to sing at parties. A Darrel Austin painting of a tiger cub is displayed on it. Mr. Sandler, who likes contemporary music, stores his sheet music and books in the built-in wall shelves.

A large bay window can be a problem in decoration, but if you and your family are serious musicians you can turn the area to good account by using it as a stage for a pair of small grand pianos. To accommodate an appreciative audience, arrange your sofas in an intimate group.

If you plan to remodel a recreation room, why not turn one wall over to music? You might refinish an upright piano to match the walls and on each side of it install units for television and high-fidelity equipment. In addition, in this all-purpose room, a movie screen is above the fireplace.
Do it with fidelity

This high-fidelity equipment adds up to a radio-phonograph. Unlike the conventional set, it can be placed in any kind of cabinet you want, or installed in a wall. These parts are the basis of your high-fidelity system, whether it is a simple one in an inexpensive cabinet such as the one below, or an elaborate one, installed all over a room, or all over your house. To them can be added television, tape recorder, remote controls, and any number of speakers.

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One year ago in our December Music Issue, HOUSE & GARDEN introduced you to high-fidelity music systems. (Such a system differs from the familiar radio-phonograph set in that you buy the basic components: the amplifier, tuner, record changer, and speaker separately and install them or have them installed in cabinets of your own choice.) Thanks to the superior performance of this equipment, and its decorative flexibility, interest in it has more than doubled since our first report; and your chances of becoming a "hi-fi" fan, if you are not already one, are increasing proportionately. Should you decide to buy a high-fidelity system, and talk to more than one enthusiast about it, you are apt to get a number of contradictory opinions. Even professionals differ on several points. It is not extraordinarily difficult to buy the parts of a good system, and even to assemble them yourself. However, once you start investigating the subject you will come up against a quantity of technical data, which, if you are not electronically versed, may easily confuse you. To let you know what to expect, and also to help keep things clear, we have invited two writers to advise you: Louis Goodenough, editor of Retailing Daily, and an informed amateur in high-fidelity matters; and Harrie K. Richardson, associate editor of Audio Engineering magazine, a professional who does not accept as gospel all of Mr. Goodenough's findings (below). Mr. Richardson's comments appear on page 170.

Louis Goodenough: While "hi-fi" is surrounded by a maze of technicalities rarely understood by the layman, there are a few simple facts which make it less electronically elusive. To begin, any type of sound causes a movement in the air. When it's a musical sound it has pitch and it's measured in so many vibrations, or cycles, per second. The higher the pitch, the greater number of cycles. The sound of the tympani hits the ear at around 30 to 200 cycles while the piercing piccolo's cycles are in the 500-5,000 range. Today's LP records give off up to 15,000 cycles while the old 78's only reproduced up to 5,000 cycles. The most acute of ears can hear down to 20, up to 20,000 cycles.

The average commercial radio-phonograph set can only reproduce sounds in the 60 to 5,000 cycle range. Good high-fidelity systems, on the other hand, can bring out all the sounds which fall between 20 and 20,000 cycles. Listening on "hi-fi" equipment—whether to Prokofiev or to The President—gives one a feeling of actual performer presence in the room.

Because you buy individual units rather than the too-compactly created commercial set, a high-fidelity system is flexible from a decorating viewpoint. Many of the units can be hidden in bookcases, drawers, or slightly revamped pieces of furniture. Custom-made or pre-made cabinets can also be used. The speaker can be located in one part of the room, the dials and record player can be put elsewhere. The tuner is the instrument which receives the inaudible radio energy off the air and converts it into audio impulses, or frequencies in the audible range. The front of this tuner will seem familiar to anyone owning a radio set. On it are dials and numbers indicating various stations. Practically all tuners are made to receive AM and FM stations. With the rapid growth of the latter it is vitally important to get a tuner capable of receiving FM stations. The energy which the tuner converts into sound must be raised to hearing level, and this is the job of the amplifier. (Continued on page 168)
Music in your home

Do you know the best ways to install TV, FM, and record equipment in your home? Here are solutions that work well for others.

Most Americans are becoming music lovers for the simple reason that they listen to music every day, right in their own homes. We own about 77,000,000 radios, 20,000,000 television sets, 22,000,000 record players. Record sales have hit over 186,000,000 annually. Today we plan for music enjoyment just as we plan for comfort, efficiency, and beauty. In some homes it is television in the playroom where Junior can have his gang, in others it is radio-phonograph in the study where parents can seclude themselves to listen in peace. In still others, it's a built-in music wall with equipment neatly housed in one place.

How you plan for music enjoyment in your home depends on your family's habits and the kind and size of house or apartment you live in. Usually the best arrangement for easy use and good visual effect is (1) a built-in music wall; (2) a sectioned-off music corner or...
alcove; or (3) several pieces simply grouped as one unit, or one piece of "music furniture" which holds radio, record-player, and television.

THE BUILT-IN MUSIC WALL is a space-saver and a good solution for the small study or apartment living room. A whole wall may be lined with shelves and cabinets for record storage, phonograph, radio, TV; or part of the wall may be left as a recess for a console piano. Built-ins are also for those who want their music equipment, when not in use, to be hidden behind closed doors.

THE MUSIC CORNER OR ALCOVE is the modern replacement for the old-fashioned, separate music room. Now that houses are smaller, we like more open floor plans, room dividers instead of walls, less cutting up of what space we have. In many houses and apartments, music equipment is the room divider. For example, a long, low music cabinet may

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section off part of a room; or a music corner may be made by lining half a wall with music storage shelves and placing at right angles to it a console piano, its back and exposed side framed with plywood.

THE SIMPLE, GROUPED-AS-ONE-UNIT arrangement is for the many people who want to pay their money and come home with their purchase, and never mind the built-ins or complete room-planning. They need only see that such a unit is placed out of the hustle and bustle of household traffic, that chairs are arranged for comfort, that acoustics are satisfactory. Ready-made cabinet styles range from French Provincial to modern materials, from metal to wood—dark, light, or unfinished.

Acoustics are most easily handled when music equipment is grouped in one place. A number of materials which absorb sound, cut down on reverberation, and generally improve sound reception are available. There are various sized tiles, perforated with small holes or fissured (such as travertine), which can be applied to the ceiling. Cork tile on floor, ceiling, or walls is quieting and attractive in appearance. (It is made in a bleached white finish as well as in the familiar tobacco brown.) Wood walls, thick carpeting, and wall-to-wall curtains are acoustically good for absorbing sound.

However you plan for music in your home, remember that its purpose is everyday enjoyment. If your little girl can easily get at her own records, and if your boy is free to listen to whatever music he likes best (thumping marches, no doubt), and if there is a family gathering spot where you can join together in peaceful listening, probably all of you are—or will be—music lovers.
TV on casters can easily be rolled from one room to another. In the Ray Scotts' home, designed by architect Burton Schutt, it can be viewed from study or lanai; sliding panels divide the two.

Television-bar combination houses 21" TV and shelves for glasses behind horizontally-louvered doors. In back are efficiently-arranged Formica work surfaces, drawers, liquor storage. Designed by Voice and Vision for the T. H. Kovlers.

Handsome cabinets of bleached white birch measure 8' 4" across, hold television, radio, record-changer; these are set on a black Formica bench with black metal legs. A high-fidelity 2-speaker music system in the Frank Smith home, by Voice and Vision.
Good lighting for good luck

Americans' love of fun and competition is proved by the many games they play at home.

But few people know how to light game tables

As old as loo, as new as scrabble, games of chance and strategy are popular perennials of home entertainment in the U.S.A. Four-fifths of the nation play cards today, in spite of diversified regional tastes and customs. There is a stepped-up enthusiasm for canasta, contract bridge, pinochle, poker, rummy, auction bridge, samba, five hundred, solitaire, and gin rummy—which are the ten most popular card games in that order. In addition to cards, there is a variety of games of chance which two to four people can play at a bridge table in the corner of a room or on a small, sturdy table in front of the fireplace or sofa.

These usually require special equipment (boards, dice, tokens of some sort). Some people take special handling on the part of the host. If guests are reluctant to try a game they've never played, it's easier to coax than to coerce them. One successful way to interest them is to create an attractive grouping of furniture and be sure that it is well lighted. A makeshift arrangement of furniture is unnerving, particularly game tables that fold their legs without warning and chairs that defy anyone to assume a comfortable position. The way you light game tables is important, too, in preserving both eyesight and good spirit. For this type of lighting, an efficient choice of fixture (and one encouraged by the National Home Lamp Council) is the floor lamp. A good floor lamp leaves table space free for game paraphernalia, relieves the strain on the eyes.

Here are five games photographed in attractive settings at Macy's New York, where current best sellers are the games of Politics, Big Maze (a labyrinth), and Scrabble.

For canasta, popular Latin-American derivative of the rummy games, you need two to six people, a standard-sized card table and chairs, and a good floor lamp. If you play often, give the furniture grouping a permanent place and screen it off.
For **scrabble**, a comparatively new game that will test your vocabulary, you need two to four players, board and anagrams and racks, comfortable chairs and card table, good strong light, a dictionary.

For **mah-jongg**, which means "win the game" in China where it originated, you need four people, 144 tiles and dice, sofas grouped around a high cocktail table and lighted by a standing swing-arm lamp.

For **chess**, an international game played on a checkerboard, you need 32 chessmen of different ranks, patience, a small, steady table, and a well-lighted corner of the room out of the way of traffic and kibitzers.

For **backgammon**, a game that dates back to the 10th century, you need two players, dice and 30 men, a table the size of the playing board, and the kind of glowing light that a twin-arm brass student lamp provides.
Incredible contrast is the commonplace of Mexico’s everyday life. Nature has provided a variegated setting, the parts of which are frequently magnificent in themselves, but which in juxtaposition become fantastic. Man has provided three cultures, Indian, Spanish, and Modern. Thus as you travel up and down the mountainous Mexican landscape, you find yourself shuttling backward and forward in history, sometimes with startling abruptness. The two movements—one in space and one in time—are not synchronized (indeed, very little in Mexico is synchronized), and impressions crowd upon you with a rapidity that may be bewildering, but can hardly fail to exhilarate you. Perhaps this is one reason why some people who have gone once to Mexico return again and again. There always seems to be more to see, to decipher, and to comprehend.

Mexico’s tripartite culture is evident most anywhere you look. In architecture it is clearly visible in the new University City of Mexico, built on the lava beds of El Pedregal, just south of Mexico City. Here a group of architects, under the direction of Carlos Lazo, have ingeniously combined elements from the three cultural strains. The campus includes glass-walled buildings reminiscent of the Secretariat of the United Nations in New York; a multiple-domed building that recalls the sea of domes on the Spanish Capilla Real in Chochula; and jai alai frontones, or courts, whose walls resemble those of Toltec pyramids. This ambitious project, dear to the heart of President Aleman, will undoubtedly be one of the country’s most important showplaces from now on.

If you travel to Mexico by air, arriving in the capital, the University can serve as a revealing introduction to the country. It presents Mexico with its best foot forward, to be sure; but like the famous first chapter of Proust’s Remembrance of Things Past, it gathers together elements that will be seen more extensively later on. You will recall the truncated pyramidal forms of the frontones when you visit the pyramids of San Juan.(Continued on page 174)
How to be an armchair Santa Claus

With this issue—full of ideas in the palm of your hand—you don't have to step outside your door to discover the right gift for the right person.

Opposite page

1. Fire Chief bike has removable wheeled platform. Frame adjusts 2” to “grow” with child 3-6. By Huffy, $47.95. From F.A.O. Schwarz.
2. Poodle: gray, white, black with red felt jeweled collar, 36” long, $36.21” long, $8.50. Neiman-Marcus.
4. Authentic 33” boxcar has sliding doors, rubber tires, lift-up top for toy storage, $34.95. Wanamaker's, Phila.
5. Chimney hangups, of velvet, sequins. 9” mitt, $2.50; 5”, $1.50; boot, $4.95; stocking, $8.95. McCutcheon's.
6. French fireman-bank has key, lock. 13” h. (Also English bobby; guardsman.) $3.50. Get it from I. Magnin.
7. Flexible costumed dwarfs, 16” h., $5.95. Lord & Taylor.
10. German doll furniture, 7-piece set is $15.95; carriage, $4.95. McCutcheon’s.
11. Felt mice in costumes 3” h. $2.95 ea. Bendel’s.
12. Performing seal, gray velvet, bright ruff, 9” high, $11.95. From Henri Bendel.

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ARMCHAIR SANTA CLAUS continued

It’s not what you spend, it’s the way you spend it

1. “Sunburst” plate is pottery in bright yellow with black; 12¾” diam. $15. I. Magnin.
2. French rouge pots for cosmetics. 1½” to 3” h. Set, $17.25. Soupçon.
3. Sun cot of canvas, iron, for pets. 4 sizes. $11.95 to $14.50. Hammacher Schlemmer.
5. Ingenious wire cozy with raffia bug on top, for salad bowls, $6.50. Lord & Taylor.
6. Brass magazine rack from Italy, $39.95. Macy’s N. Y.
2. Plant stand, white iron, 24" x 26", $42.50. Saks Fifth Ave.
4. Leeds Trip-Zip bag for the one-piece-of-luggage traveler: holding 5 suits, $25.50; holding 10 dresses, $29.50. Brown, blue nylon. Shoe bag holds 4 pairs, can be carryall, $17. At the J. L. Hudson Co.
7. Pie baker-server goes straight to table on iron trivet, $4.50. Bloomingdale's.
8. Nylon ski blouse, forever pleated. To measure, in black, navy, yellow, copen blue, coral, Nile green, $35. Made to order at André Ski Shop.
9. Pearl-handled spreaders, forks, with classic pistol-shaped handles. $30 dozen. At Bergdorf Goodman.

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It's not what you give, it's the way you give it

2. Oval-shaped iron cake stand in white, antique green, or H&G's Pebble beige.
At Woodward & Lothrop.
3. Knotty pine table, 26 inches in diameter, holds ashtrays and has a place for after-dinner coffee, $40. Arno Brandt. $21.35. Macdonald & Co.
4. Wadefield bacon and cheese scoop & tray by Samuel Kirk & Son, Inc.
5. Steak trivet imported from Switzerland is $20. Hunter can be used right-side up.
8. Scandinavian fruit basket, reed.
9. $9.50, Bloomingdale's.
10. Teak drinks cooler, $30. Wherever you entertain, a drink cooler is a must. Top shelves are hang-up shelves, $96, Perigord.
5. Porcelain waffle pitchers, $4, $5, tray, $12.75. Bonniers.
10. Lady's watch with 4 diamonds, $450. Schlumberger.
Conversation flows easily around Mr. Kiam's small 18th-century English dining table. This room, which opens onto a covered terrace and garden, is furnished with objects that its owner cherishes regardless of style or period. On the Louis XVI console, he displays part of his collection of faïence, and a pair of bronze Louis XVI cupid candelabra with red lacquer bases. Above the console hangs a Directoire carved-wood eagle. The Louis XVI dining chairs are covered in old pink and white toile de Jouy.
Couturier Omar Kiam
cuts a house to his measure

The distinguished American dress designer, Omar Kiam, is an acquisitive man with an inquisitive mind. He has an insatiable interest in things, in their appearance and their history. The furniture and objects which he has collected over the years in Europe and America contribute great personality and charm to his New York house. In his choice of materials, his grouping of furniture, one can discern the inherent feeling for texture and line that has kept him in the forefront of his field for many years, but to appreciate the true character of the rooms on these and the following two pages you must imagine them in a state of flux. Imagine Mr. Kiam, with a new acquisition to install, moving the furniture, rehanging the pictures, adjusting and readjusting as though he were working with cloth on a dressmaker's dummy. Unable to resist an object that appeals to him, he somehow manages to assimilate it among (Continued on following page)

The white walls of the living room play up the undulant lines of Louis XV furniture, the browns of the early Coromandel screen, and the beige and brown pattern of the Bessarabian carpet. The round table has a cloth of yellow damask.
his other possessions. But far from swamping his rooms each new piece seems to fit miraculously into its place. One reason for this is that he is a man who knows how to mix different styles. Also, Mr. Kiam knows that decoration alone is not enough to give a room real personality and character. Omar Kiam’s house is the opposite of the tasteful void, the manicured, unlived-in look. In it everything contributes to the enrichment of life. To begin with, the furniture is comfortable; some of it is signed by cabinet makers for Louis XV and XVI. In the living room and the dining room it is arranged to bring people together. The dining table is small enough to encourage conversation. Everywhere you look there are objects that delight the

Red and white flowered patterns cover the walls, the curtains, and the furniture in the guest room. The ceiling and flowers are white, canopy motif over the Louis XVI bed is red; large man’s portrait is a French primitive.

Color pattern of guest room is reversed in Mr. Kiam’s room, where the red and white chintz is used as an accent on curtains, bed, and chairs against white walls. The fireplace wall holds paintings, mostly on glass, mainly French. The large oval flower study is on silk, the smaller ones are of cut-out velvet. The mantel is carved pine.
senses and pique curiosity: an Austrian porcelain monkey from the collection of Frederick the Great; a bird cage from Holland, shaped like a woman; blue and white Delft tiles framed in gold; a faience cabbage from Marseille; paintings on glass, on velvet, and on silk; Louis XIV costume plates; aeronautical paintings; portraits by French primitive artists; velvet flowers under glass; a translucent glass shadow-box from Amsterdam, designed to sit on a window sill; a delicate architectonic painting of old Florence, which Mr. Kiam hunted for some time to find, because, as he puts it, "you want something to remind you of a place, and yet you want it to be just right." In achieving both these ends, he has created a house whose cachet is completely his own.

Comfort at the phone is provided by ample Louis XV chair covered in dark green leather. French 17th-century prints flank a white alabaster lamp. Miniature scene behind glass on left wall was made by a friend.

Porcelain monkey from the collection of Frederick the Great sits on a French Provincial chest.

French fruitwood table makes a bar beneath blue and white Delft tiles framed in gold. Venetian cornucopia table holds flowers.

The study serves several purposes, contains the bar, a telephone corner, a desk signed by F. Schey, who executed commissions for the Château at Fontainebleau, and a Chippendale table with removable tray in front of the armoire which houses porcelains.
We landscape our house of ideas

Whether you live in the North, South, East, or West, if yours is the problem
of a small lot, here are ideas for privacy, easy upkeep, and seasonal color

A flat lot is not an uncommon problem in America. Most homeowners who build in a growing community have the same problem of creating privacy on a bare, treeless site. In addition to privacy, virtually everyone wants a permanent garden for year-round enjoyment; the kind that is easy to keep, something they can look after themselves, yet still have time to relax in. To provide these needs was the problem we faced in landscaping our House of Ideas. The difficulties to overcome were considerable, for the site on which we built in suburban Winnetka, Illinois, was a typical 117' x 200' square lot in a subdivision that was once prairie land. The working plan described here tells you how we solved this need for privacy plus a self-maintaining garden for easy upkeep and year-round living in the weather extremes of the north central Midwest. Wherever you live, with a few changes of plant material, you can apply this landscape plan to a flat lot in any section of the country. Throughout the planning, we kept our garden dollar constantly in mind. Full-grown shade trees were at a premium so we compromised on leafy varieties of moderate height. By keeping our planting scheme in scale and proportion, we reasoned that in five years' time the trees' growth would give enough shade. These were the first essentials with which our landscape architect Stanley Underhill began his landscape plan: privacy, a self-maintaining garden, the importance of the garden dollar, and a five-year plan of planting for future shade.

Working closely with architect George W. W. Brewster's design of the house, Mr. Underhill revised his original plan when new houses sprang up on either side as we were building. To give our house the country aspect of a front lawn and more privacy from passing traffic, it was set back 40' from the street. This left an area of 12' between our boundary lines and nearby houses. To screen ourselves in, yet still be friendly, there were to be no high walls or fences, no long hedges that needed regular trimming. Instead we decided on an interesting grouping of combined evergreen and deciduous shrubs and trees. Native plants were chosen for double duty wherever possible. Landscape architect Underhill and associate Herbert J. Frost tramped through nearby nurseries tagging specimens such as the purple-leaved plum which we planted on the enclosure in the west. This tree gave us the advantage of three seasons of color in our border. Native flowering crabs, to be followed by lilacs in bloom, were other practical choices for color. Winged euonymus, or burning bushes, were planted in key spots to add fiery red foliage in the fall. Ground covers were selected for their varieties of leafy texture and color tone to contrast with the lawn area. Among these, bittersweet will provide yellow and crimson fruits in autumn; periwinkle will give a combination of clear, lavender-blue flowers and dark green foliage. Many of the shrubs and trees were chosen for green boundary color in the winter months. We wanted spiny-needled junipers and yews, broad-leaved evergreens such as cotoneaster, to make a lively contrast with crinkle-leaved viburnum. Two Moraine honeylocusts were planted for their feathery foliage and effective, vase-shaped form: one in the patio, one at the far end of the enclosure. Three Scotch pines, which we placed on the west property line, make a color point with their orangey bark as well as an evergreen shield the year-round. To ensure privacy east of the living room windows, Mr. Underhill designed a louvered fence with two extending arms, to a height allowed by zoning. An L-shaped plant bed was placed in front of the fence to give a succession of flowers that need little garden care. As the seasons change, bulbs would appear in spring, annuals for color and cutting in the summer, chrysanthemums in the fall. More seclusion was added to this outdoor alcove by planting three columnar evergreen junipers to serve as terminals on the south, two Siberian elms to give height above it.

The most important single item in the landscape plan was our terrace tree. Architects Underhill and Frost decided on a large pin oak that will filter the midday sun and partially shade the flagstone patio for family living and entertaining. The design of the flagstone sitting terrace is not solid, wall to wall, but has a broken line edge to give it a free feeling, softened by grass joints between the paving. Around the terrace, as in the other plant beds, additional color comes from potted plants, spring bulbs, summer annuals, and fall chrysanthemums. By hewing closely to our landscape problem, we succeeded in creating privacy and self-containment within our flat lot without boxing it in. The result is a

ARCHITECT: George W. W. Brewster
Associate: James C. Schnur
DECORATOR: Melanie Kahane
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: Stanley Underhill
Associate: Herbert J. Frost
BUILDER: O&O Construction Company

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On our suburban lot of less than half an acre, we have given our ideal family of four privacy from the street and from neighboring houses; a firmly paved, shaded terrace for outdoor living and entertaining; a front lawn that is the admiration of all who see it; a group of permanent trees and shrubs that is extremely easy to care for; merely feed, weed, and prune them twice a year. We chose many double-duty plants that in addition to flowers in the spring will give colorful fall foliage and fruit effects, and many trees, shrubs, and groundcovers that are evergreen the year around. Potted plants may be changed on the terrace to give bright color through the seasons. Areas with diagonal lines were treated with Krilium soil conditioner, the Merloam formulation.
How to help your house run itself

See that it is equipped with time-, effort-, and disposition-savers.

There are countless paragons of household virtue, male and female, who say that their basements are never damp, storage space is no problem at all, snow-shoveling is mere child's play. They cheerfully report that their houses really look after themselves. The secret of their success is perfectly simple—there is no magic involved, nor is a naturally sunny disposition a prerequisite. They have sensibly planned and equipped houses. For example, they may have screens of the self-storing variety rather than those which require a major upheaval every spring and fall; key-in-lock doorknobs which can be opened with one hand while the other is holding packages. Your own house can be just as easy to run if you make use of today's ingenious products. Look over the ones shown here and on page 156. They will save you time, money, and effort and will make easy work of running your house.

**Automatic curtain pull** makes push-button job of drawing floor-to-ceiling curtains across a whole window-wall. It runs by an electric motor in a small plug-in box which controls traverse cords and keeps curtains on the track. You merely flip a switch to open or close curtains.

**Rotary snowplow** clears a 2' path by motor-power instead of shoulder-power. It scoops the snow in, breaks it up, and tosses it to either side; you merely walk along behind it. Has ½ H.P. electric motor, 100' cord, plugs into outdoor wall outlet.

**Electronic baby-sitter** broadcasts nursery disturbances on any unoccupied frequency on your radio. You can hear sounds within a radius of 300'. Put it next to the crib, and go about your affairs; if your child needs you, you'll hear about it. Very useful in any nursery.

**Delayed-action light switch** keeps light on for about a minute, then automatically turns it off. It lets you get safely up the stairs, off the porch, or into bed before the light goes out. Is quickly and easily installed in any existing wall outlet in an old house or in one under construction.

**One-piece plastic countertop** comes in five colors, makes cleaning up the kitchen a "one wipe and it's done" affair. There are no seams, no metal trim, no crevices in which food can lodge. Front edge is slightly raised, so spilled liquids won't drip on floor. Also used with built-in lavatories.

**Dressing table-lavatory** combines kitchen efficiency with glamour. On the countertop there is plenty of space to spread out shaving and beauty gadgets. Below there are well-organized drawers and cupboards, a built-in laundry hamper.

**Electric air drier** does away with mildew, wet floors, etc. caused by excessive moisture. It works automatically, collects as much as 3 gallons of water every 24 hours. Can make the difference between a damp and dreary basement, and one useful as playroom or home workshop.

**Key-in-knob-action doorknob** is a necessary convenience when one arm is loaded with packages: you can insert key and turn knob with one hand. It is easily installed, simple and good-looking, and includes a deadbolt for greater protection.

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CHATHAM
ELECTRIC BLANKETS
in new, dramatic colors

You can buy nothing finer than a Chatham Electric Blanket... now lovelier than ever in your choice of unusually dramatic colors! They're all new, and worthy of setting the color scheme for an entire room. Chatham Electric Blankets are 75% wool, 25% cotton—luxurious for their beauty and for the steady warmth they give you at the flick of a switch. Your favorite store has them in hollyhock rose, boxwood green, peony red and iris blue, packed for giving and keeping in floral boxes that are storage chests, too.

Single Control $42.95
Dual Control $49.95
New imported household gadgets
are ingenious and decorative

Where the American housewife has a wide range of automatic devices to choose from, the European housekeeper must content herself with simpler kitchen wares. They are, however, undeniably competent and in many cases decidedly ornamental. We show you on this page a useful cross-section, the majority priced under $2.

Cookie wheel rolls out five at a time on a single turn. Canapés, as well as cookies, stamp out cleanly in 2" wide heart, star, clover, fluted circle, four- and six-pointed star shapes. $1. Famous Barr, St. Louis, Mo.

Riki, the little lemon juice squeezer, prevents waste when only a slice is needed. Directs juice where you want it, in a cup, salad, not in eye. Silver plated. $1.80. Bloomingdale's.

Potato cutter makes short shrift of slicing a tuber into 49 uniform French fries with a press of the lever. It's a timesaver, too, with eggplant, beets, or fruits. Non-tarnish-tinned steel, $2.69. Wanamaker, Phila.

Biscuit and cookie cutting from thinble size 5/8" to jumbo 3" ring is no problem to owner of this set. Stores in metal box to avoid hunting at baking time. Ten (tin plated), $1.50. Hecht Co., Washington, D.C.
Meat tenderizer is a kitchen necessity in these days of high food prices. Of solid aluminum alloy, more sanitary than wood. Coarse teeth pound thick cuts; fine teeth for thin steaks, $1.25. Wanamaker's, N. Y.

Squeezer extracts every last drop of juice from lemons and limes, thanks to the heavy interior press. Lipped for easy pouring. Polished cast aluminum, $5. May Co., Baltimore.

Vegetable steamer for modern waterless cooking. Adjusts to fit any utensil from 7½” to 12½” diameter. Doubles as cake cooler when opened flat, or as egg, fruit basket. Tin plated. 79c. Macy's New York.

Three-way egg slicer cuts lengthwise, crosswise or obliquely. Large enough to take beets or boiled potato. Fun for making up food in salads or for creamed dishes. Cast aluminum, $1.19. At Famous Barr.

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The canasta table will be put to good use by almost every member of the family during the holidays. The elm Dillingham table has a cork top and four upholstered foam-rubber side chairs. When the game is over and the drink tray is brought in, cards and scorepads slide quickly into a spacious drawer.

Many a "Merry Christmas" is said by phone. On the oak Mengel bench-table is a clock to time long-distance calls, an ash tray, telephone books, and a comfortable cushion. A drawer keeps message pads and pencils handy.

A beer party is an easy way for a bachelor to entertain at Christmas. The maple cobbler's bench, made by Consider H. Willett, Inc., holds refreshments and smoking accessories, has drawers for matches, coasters, napkins. Bench from Macy's New York.

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Christmas in sunny climates calls for fresh fruit drinks on the patio. Salters's raffia chairs and wrought-iron table make a party grouping. Chairs have seasonal red or green accents, iron frames.

Sukiyaki or chow mein served from colorful Japanese pottery at cocktail-table height makes a casual Oriental luncheon for four. The light mahogany Imperial cocktail table doubles its size, when the flip top is opened, to accommodate four place settings. Guests will sit on square stools of woven Mexican palm.

The ritual of preparing café diable makes the after-dinner coffee hour a party occasion. Here it is made and served on an oak buffet with a black Formica top that is impervious to heat, alcohol, and scratches. In the cabinet, by S. J. Campbell, cocktail equipment or records can be stored. Two benches pull out to provide extra seating.

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Hi-Fi Fidelity portable phonographs, the Rhythmaster and the Recitalist, are just two of the instruments described in this folder. There are photographs of parts, specifications, descriptions of the equipment you want to reproduce the best sound possible. Rek-O-Kut Co., HG 12, 35-43 A Queens Blvd., Long Island City, New York.

Lafayette High Fidelity Guide will open a new world of music through high fidelity. The components are described, and with each you see the model available for installation. Another important feature: custom planning which shows you how to place the equipment for best sound without disrupting your décor or requirements. Lafayette Radio, Radio Wire Television Inc., HG 12, 100 Lafayette Blvd., Long Island City, New York.

Concert Hall Society has a brochure listing a new series of recordings available, plus their prices. In addition, Concert Hall has three high-fidelity long-playing records, any one of which you can have for $1. The three: The Beethoven Concerto performed by the British pianist Mewton-Wood; the Mozart Symphony by the Winterthur Symphony Orchestra; and the Chopin Sonata interpreted by Robert Goldsand—these, according to Concert Hall, represent the ultimate result of the latest high-fidelity recording techniques. Concert Hall Society, Inc., HG 1212, 50 W. 56th Street, New York 19, New York.

Guide to the purchase, maintenance, and preservation of your piano tells you what to look for when buying, how to care for your piano. This 16-page book stresses all the salient points. Kohler & Campbell, Inc., HG 12, 401-425 East 103rd Street, New York 56, N. Y.

1955 Audio Equipment is an extensive 100-page handbook for music lovers. Part I explains how to buy a home music system including planning and preparation, tape recorders, multiple speaker systems. Part II catalogs high-fidelity audio components. Chart helps you pick compatible components. There's a good list of recommended systems. Sun Radio & Electronics Co., Inc., HG 12, 122-124 Dulane Street, New York 7, New York.

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Old English Snapdragon

(To serve at six o'clock to fortify the carolers before they venture out into the night.)

*Chafing dish chicken on corn bread waffles

Raspberry fools

Snowball salad

*Snapdragon

Hot toasted pecans

Coffee Noël

CHAFING DISH CHICKEN

1 canned whole chicken

1 bunch green onions

2 tablespoons flour

1 cup stock

1 1/2 cups thick sour cream

1/2 teaspoon marjoram

1/2 teaspoon savory

1 can water chestnuts

1/2 cup chopped parsley

Open the chicken carefully, so as to reserve all of the broth. Set the broth in the refrigerator to chill. Remove all the skin from the chicken and put the skin through the meat chopper twice, or chop very fine. Carefully pull out all of the bones (they slip out like a charm) and cut the meat into bite-sized pieces. Keep them neat and even; that's the secret of making a dish like this look attractive. When the broth has chilled thoroughly, lift the good rich chicken fat off the top. If you don't have quite 2 tablespoonsfuls, add butter to make this quantity. Melt in a heavy skillet. Add the green onions chopped fairly

CORN BREAD WAFFLES

2 eggs, separated

1/2 cups buttermilk

1/2 cup buttermilk flour

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

3 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon salt

2 tablespoons sugar

1 1/2 cups corn meal

6 tablespoons melted butter

Beat the egg whites until stiff but not dry, then set aside. Add the buttermilk to the yolks, and beat for at least 4 minutes, or until very light and fluffy. While these are beating, sift the flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt, and sugar together, and then add the corn meal. Add these to the yolk and buttermilk mixture a little at a time, beating all the while. Add the melted butter, and fold in the egg whites gently. If a double acting baking powder is used, you'll have perfect waffles by making this up several hours in advance, except for folding in the beaten whites. When ready to serve, all there is left to

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do is heat the whites, fold in, and spoon onto the waffle iron. Everybody will love making his own at the table.

SNAPDRAGON

The old English snapdragon party was a wonderful tradition; you’ll find, if you revive it, that it will be one of the high spots of the season. And it’s all the dessert that’s needed after the waftles and the snowballs. I have a huge, deep old ironstone platter that I use for mine; a shallow earthenware bowl works very well, too—anything that won’t be harmed by heat.

Cut two pounds of cluster raisins into pieces so that there’ll be 3 or 4 raisins on each bit of stem. Don’t wash them. Arrange the little clusters on the platter, and trim all around the edges with holly sprigs. This makes a beautiful centerpiece for your supper—but be sure to have a pad beneath the bowl to protect the table from the heat. Pour enough good brandy in to cover the bottom layer of fruit. When the supper is finished, pour on more brandy—enough to make the bowl good and full. Touch a match to it, and step back and listen to the oh’s and ah’s. The trick is to snatch the lighting from the platter and eat them hot. To avoid scorched fingers, we add our brandy about a quarter cupful at a time, adding a bit more as the flames die down. 100 proof brandy is best for the burning, as I suppose you all know.

Sugar plum buffet

(To serve at 8 o’clock to strengthen tree trimmers.)

*Jellied meat loaf

*Fiske pudding

Swedish bean bowl

Kringel rice bake

Relish platter

Philly crisp

Christmass torte

Popcorn cake

Malted Burgundy

Coffee

JELLIED MEAT LOAF

2 lbs. lean veal from the shank or shin

11/2 quarts cold water, or enough to cover

2 tablespoons salt

15 white peppercorns

10 whole allspice

3 bay leaves

6 cloves

1 large onion, peeled

1 carrot, scraped

2 tablespoons cold water

1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin

2 tablespoons Sauterne

1 teaspoon Accent

White pepper to taste

1 no. 2 can small whole beets

1/2 cup cottage cheese

Rinse both meat and the bones well, to remove any small splinters that may be clinging to them. Place in the pressure cooker with enough cold water to cover, and add the seasonings, the peeled and cut-up onion, and the scraped and cut-up carrot. Cover, and cook 30 minutes at 15 pounds pressure. If you prefer not to use the pressure cooker, cook, covered, at a simmer for 11/2 to 2 hours. Remove the meat and cool. Boll the stock down, uncovered, until it measures 3 cups. Then strain and place in the refrigerator to chill. Put the meat through the meat grinder, twice. When the stock has chilled, skim the fat off the top; the stock will be quite jellied. Soak the gelatin in the cold water and dissolve by stirring in the cup, set in hot water. Add dissolved gelatin, Sauterne, and Accent to the meat. Taste, now. It may need a bit of white pepper, but don’t flavor it too highly; this is a traditional consomme-bord dish, and should be very bland in flavor. Mix well, beating with a spoon to bring to a smooth consistency. Turn into a bread pan that has been rinsed in cold water, and set in the refrigerator to harden. This can be made two days ahead, if you wish, or even farther ahead than that, and will keep ready for use. A couple of hours before serving, scoop the centers out of the beets, and stuff each with a spoonful of creamy cottage cheese. Use these, with generous sprigs of parsley, to decorate the base of the meat loaf.

Fiske pudding

1/4 cup melted butter

2 cups soft bread crumbs

3 cups flaked, cold fish

3/4 teaspoon salt

Pepper

1/4 teaspoon anchovy paste

1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Dash nutmeg

1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped

3 eggs, separated

Combine all of the ingredients in the order listed, adding the well-beaten egg yolks after the cream and folding in the whites, beaten stiff but not dry, last of all. Turn into a buttered 1 1/4 quart mold or a bread pan, cover with aluminum foil, and set in the refrigerator until the afternoon of the party. One and a half hours before serving, set in about 2 inches of hot water in a deep pan and steam in the oven, covered, at 350°, for 11/2 hours. Turn out, decorate with water cress or parsley, and pass a bowl of anchovy sauce.

ANCHOVY SAUCE

Make 2 cups medium white sauce, add a dash of nutmeg and 1 1/2 teaspoons anchovy paste. Serve very hot; a little of the sauce poured over the fiske pudding, and the remainder in a warmed bowl. Serves 8.

CHRISTMAS TORTE

1 pkg. vanilla pudding

2 cups milk

2 tablespoons brandy

2 eggs, slightly beaten

2 cups crumbled vanilla wafers

1 cup raisins

1 cup broken pecan meats

1/2 cup candied cherries, quartered

1/2 cup mixed candied fruits

1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Cook the vanilla pudding with the milk, as directed on the package, until thick. Add the brandy. Use a little of the hot pudding to mix with the beaten eggs, then turn into the rest of the pudding. Cool. While this is cooling, grease the bottom of a loaf pan and carefully line it with waxed paper. Stir all of the remaining ingredients together just before serving. For a sturdier torte, add an extra cup of wafers, and a 1/4 cup of raisins for color. Serves 8.

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MAINING INGREDIENTS into the cooled pudding mixture, then spoon the pudding into the pan. Place in the freezing compartment of the refrigerator, and freeze at least 24 hours before serving. This is even better after melting in the freezing compartment for four or five days, so you can make it up long before the excitement starts. Then turn out and frost with:

HARD SAUCE FROSTING

Cream together ½ cup softened butter, 5 cups confectioner's sugar, and one whole egg. Beat until very fluffy. Fold in ½ cup candied cherries, cut into pieces, ½ cup candied citron, chopped. Frost the torte generously with this and then return to the refrigerator until ready to serve. Serves about 12. If, on the afternoon of the day, you have time to make some frosted grapes, they are a lovely garnish for this beautiful dessert—separate Malaga and Tokay grapes into nice little bunches, dip into egg white beaten until frothy, and then sprinkle thickly with granulated sugar. Set on a rack to dry.

God Jul Supper

(To serve at midnight, to revive tired Santas.)

Tomato sherbet
Oyster corn gratiné
Wreath salad
Pullled bread
Tiny Tim puddings
Coffee

OYSTER CORN GRATINÉ

1 pint small bluepoint oysters
1/4 cup oyster liquor
1 cup fine dry bread crumbs
1/4 cup melted butter or margarine
1/4 cup grated sharp cheese
4 tablespoons flour
1 can condensed consomme
12 oz. can whole kernel corn
1/4 cup chopped pimiento
1 teaspoon grated onion
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup top milk or thin cream
2 eggs

Place the oysters in a colander to drain, saving the juice. If you end up with more than the ¼ cup mentioned, just save it and reduce the consomme by that much. Oyster flavor is better than consomme, in this dish. Turn the bread crumbs into the melted butter in a skillet, let and toss and stir until browned. Cool, then stir in the grated cheese. In a saucepan, melt the remaining butter, stir in the flour, add the consomme, and stir until smooth and very thick. Add the oyster liquor, corn, pimiento, onion, salt, and cream, and stir again until the mixture smooths out and begins to bubble around the edges. Beat the eggs well, mix with a little of the hot sauce, and then stir into the remainder of the sauce and heat again, stirring all the while and being careful not to allow the mixture to boil once the eggs are added. Add the oysters. Turn into a well-buttered casserole, top with the crumbs and cheese mixture, and store in the refrigerator until ready for use. Then bake at 325° (a slow oven) for about 30 minutes, or until the top b
### SHOPPING INFORMATION

#### Table Settings

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on page 100. For prices on the items below, write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

**Top**
- Gorham Company's Thread of Gold "Gold Tip" and "Stardust" both six-piece place settings; candlesticks; salt and pepper; all at Black, Starr & Gorham, N.Y.
- Arzberg china "Roulette" 10 dinner plates, at Taitman's, Chicago.
- Fisher Bruce & Co. Orrefors "Berenadot" cut crystal; goblets, champagne glasses, and wines all at Georg Jensen, N.Y.
- Fieldcrest's Colo-O-Shire Celanese damask 3-yd. cloth with 12 napkins, pale blue, from Lord & Taylor, N.Y.
- Italian brass wire basket from House of Italian Handicrafts, N.Y.

**Lower left**
- John Matouk Colorflax green table cloth, 64 x 108", and napkins, 13-piece set at Lord & Taylor.
- Three-branch candelabrum, Black, Starr & Gorham. Silver and plate, same as above.

**Lower right**
- Matouk Colorflax red table cloth 52 x 72" and white hemstitched napkins, Lord & Taylor. Silver, plate, and glasses, same as above.

#### Music in your life

**Pages 110-112**
The instruments the children are playing are courtesy the Rudolph Warlitzetter Company, New York.

**Page 122**
High-fidelity equipment shown here is courtesy Harvey Radio Company, Inc., New York.

**Bottom**
- Ash base cabinet by Jay Specialties Furniture Co., Inc. is from the "Colony Group" designed by Forest Wilson. Sliding door panels pull to reveal storage drawers, shelf storage, 48" L x 24" h. x 18" d. About $70 at Rosser, Inc., Washington, D.C.

#### Christmas

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise on pages 96-105, 149-151. For prices on the items below, write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

**Page 96, top**

**Page 97, lower left**

**Page 101**

**Page 103**
Furniture shown is from the new "Key-note Group" designed by Herbert Ten Have for Charles R. Sligh. All the pieces are in a light maple finish. Round cocktail table is 15" high, 40" in diameter. Lazy Susan is 17" in diameter, is not attached to table. Console bookcase is made up of three tiers on wheels. All at Hahn's, Newark, N.J. "Country Scene" bowls by Mary Hadley are 5" and 8" at Hutzel's, Baltimore. Long basket, set of three baskets and white ceramic handled tea spoons, all from Bloomingdale's, New York. Children's Christmas crowns designed by Patricia Roberts are at Lord & Taylor, New York.

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Cigarette cup, ash trays, Georg Jensen.

Center
Mengel Company’s bench-table combination, Stern, N. Y.

Screen, America House, N. Y.

Clock, Georg Jensen.

Bottom
Solid maple cobbler’s bench-coffee table from the Lancaster County Group byConsider H. Willett, At Mary’s New York.

Wooden tray, English pewter mugs from Georg Jensen.

Pewter measuring cups, milk can from W. Jay Saylor Co., Inc., New York.

Page 150, top
Chairs and glass top cocktail table by Salterini at Woodward & Lorthrop, Washington, D.C.

Brass candlesticks, Henri Bendel, N. Y.

Orrefors glasses, ash tray, Georg Jensen, Waring Blender, Lewis & Conger, N. Y.

Center
Imperial’s cocktail table, flip top opens to 36” x 72” x 19”. At Carson Pirie Scott, Chicago.

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cottonwood root, and depict the Virgin, Christ, the Trinity, and the most popular of the Spanish saints: Santa Anna, Santa Rita, Santa Barbara (who protected persons endangered by lightning), Santa Rosa de Lima, San Francisco de Asis (protector of birds and animals), and San Lazaro (the Roman captive who was crucified for his faith), San Cristobal, San Jose, San Pedro, and the Archangels San Miguel and San Rafael, among others. Each figure seems to have an inner life of its own, which may explain why the santos were so closely connected with the lives of their original owners who kept them in their homes, made them dresses of linen and satin, and carried them in processions to the fields in times of stress. If a member of the family became ill, a bit of wood might be chipped from the image to burn, so that the ashes would cure the ailing person. If a prayer remained unanswered, the santo might be turned to face the wall. In the Southwest, there is a legend about a santo who went out at night to help the poor until his shoes were so worn the parishioners had to make him a new pair from buckskin and beaded velvet. Other Santos who were expected to find lost articles were often locked in dark closets if the articles were not found. In New Mexico today, Indians still bring their santos out of the church to stand in a bower of branches where they can watch the dances on the day of their patron saint.

Who the actual artists or santeros (meaning makers of images) were is still unknown but much is known about them. When the big, intractable land now occupied by New Mexico, Arizona, and parts of Texas, Colorado, and Utah was cut off from Spain with the fall of the Spanish Colonial empire, the inhabitants of New Mexico became self-sufficient for all their needs. Some men worked at providing food and clothing for the Spanish settlements; others made weapons, tools, and furnishings. With a religious zeal, they constructed or repaired their churches, and when decorations were needed inside, they supplied them. These were the santeros, perhaps no more than a dozen men, who were untaught in artistic or architectural techniques. At first they tried to copy from a few examples of baroque art brought north from Mexico, but it was of a grandeur unfamiliar to them or their poor province. Like the medi-

val European painters, they used pure tempera colors, ground from native materials and wild plants. As a result, a good many santos have come down to us in nearly pristine condition. Frequently they carved the images in several pieces, which were joined with wooden pegs, covered with a gypsum solution and painted. The finished statues often were coated with grease or a dark varnish apparently made of resin. Probably the santeros began to work about 1750, though the statues existing today are believed to have been made between 1800 and 1860, when the santo makers had discarded imitation and were more individual, more assured, and better suited to their medium. One painter even developed a shorthand in paint, indicating anatomy, details of dress, hair, animals, and flowers by the briefest symbols. Having their own work as models led the painters to alter or omit certain attributes associated with European versions of the saints; sometimes they substituted fanciful details of their own. Perhaps it is this freedom which gives the santos their expressive force and striking individuality. Their lack of conformity with religious art in the Old World, however, led to the destruction of much of the work the santo makers had created for a full century in the Spanish Southwest. When Archbishop Lamy, fresh from the baroque splendor of European cathedrals, arrived in 1851 in the newly created diocese of New Mexico, he found this primitive folk art grotesque. Most of the santos soon were replaced with conventional plaster images and colored lithographs from France. More than 50 years later, a few remaining santos were discovered by travelers in remote parts of New Mexico. The Taylor Museum in Colorado Springs, and the Brooklyn, Santa Barbara, and Detroit museums have important groups of santos. Perhaps the best place to see them is in the Museum of New Mexico at Santa Fe which houses the collections of the New Mexico Historical Society, the Spanish Colonial Art Society, and the collections of Charles D. Carroll, Norma Day, Florence McCormick, and Cady Wells. All that do exist today are ample proof of the ability of a people to produce a truly indigenous art when confronted with isolation and a lack of the religious images it craves.

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then cut out the puddings with a star shaped cutter. Work the trimmings into one mass again with your hands, and you can cut again, after chilling. Melt the chocolate bits in a small pan set over boiling water. Spread the top of each little star pudding with the hot melted chocolate. Decorate with a design of nuts, or with a sprig of holly. These puddings too, need a little time to ripen, and are much better if made three days ahead of time. Store in a cool—not cold—place. If it’s too cold the chocolate will take on a grayish hue. Serve with foamy sauce. Makes 16 to 18, depending upon your mold or your cutter.

To me, this mystical, magical season is so wonderful that nothing seems like work. The house is full of wonder; the tree in the parlor, awaiting its fairy dress, the aroma as I spoon the rich port over the plum puddings, the sounds of the children’s voices out in the snow, the happy bay of the old red setter as she chases a chipmunk into the woodpile—all these are like a silver thread that will gleam in our memories for many, many years to come. May it be the same with you.
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When you are choosing an amplifier you should consider its power output: i.e., the usable power it is capable of delivering to the speaker so that sound can be heard. This output is measured in watts. One watt of power delivers as much sound as the average listener will ever want in his living room. But, just as you never use the full horsepower of your car, the amplifier must be able to handle a momentary surge of sound such as the clash of cymbals in Ansermet's recording of Petrouchka. Experts say you need a 10 to 1 safety factor to take care of such musical outbursts. Thus, the minimum is 10 watts.

Flat frequency response comes next. An amplifier is flat when it gives equal amplification to all sounds in a given range. One tone, in other words, isn't louder than another. If the amplifier is said to have a flat frequency response of 30-15,000 cycles it means that all of the tones are amplified equally in that particular range. There is always a slight tolerance given which is expressed in plus or minus deviation, abbreviated as db. Top-quality amplifiers have a flat frequency response from 20 to 20,000 cycles with a plus or minus deviation of 0.5 db. Be sure, also, that it states on the amplifier that harmonic distortion is no higher than 5 per cent.

The tuner plugs directly into the amplifier. In some "hi-fi" systems all of the controls are on the tuner itself. In others, the tone controls are on the amplifier: if desired, a remote control box can be connected to it. In the best amplifier there is an evenness to what you hear when you turn the volume control up or down. Good ones have automatic volume controls which strengthen the bass as volume is reduced and make soft playing of your records—or off-the-air listening—as natural at low volume as at high. Separate bass and treble controls are necessary to get the best reproduction.

The final unit is the speaker. This recreates the sound from what's fed into it by the amplifier. In the best of high-fidelity systems the speaker may be the most expensive unit. The speaker, incidentally, as used here means the cabinet as well as the actual speakers which are placed in it.

Be prepared to think of this complete speaker as something big if you really want perfect sound reproduction. Unless you build the speaker into your walls or a closet door, at least 10 cubic footage of cabinet is needed. This means a furniture piece about 35½" high and 35½" wide by 18" deep. The reason for this size is that the air pressure around the speaker itself must be equal on each side of the speaker cone, providing what is known as infinite baffle.

If there's no room for the infinite baffle type of speaker, the bass reflex enclosure offers the next best results. The cabinet for this type should be at least six cubic feet; it's height at least 30 inches, its depth one half time (Continued on page 169)
TWEETER AND WOOFER continued

A recent development which might revolutionize the size of speaker cabinets is the R-I enclosure. In its smallest size it is a cabinet less than two feet long which fits into a single bookshelf. Excellent bass notes are reproduced with this type of speaker. Klipsch folded horn speakers, too, can be used in a smaller corner cabinet—2 1/2' high by 11 1/4' wide.

For the best reproduction, the actual speaker should consist of a woofer (a large speaker to reproduce low tones) and a tweeter (a small speaker to reproduce high tones), either as separate speakers or with the tweeter mounted inside the woofer. This latter is known as a coaxial speaker. A 15-inch speaker is considered excellent for the best reproduction.

One important thing to remember is that the speaker must be matched to the amplifier. In other words, if your other equipment—the amplifier and tuner—gives out from 20 to 20,000 cycles of sound it would be silly to have a speaker that can only handle 100 to 7,000 cycles. All you'd get out of this speaker is what it can take. For best results in your room the speaker should be placed in an enclosure located apart from the one containing the amplifier, record player, and tuner.

With long-playing records the need for the popular automatic record changer has not been as great. Today, in fact, the true music lover who prizes his records and wants to get the most out of them uses a transcription turntable. These play one record at a time and are the type used in broadcasting. They are built heavier than record changers, have better speed regulation and more freedom from the rumble you get in some changers.

It is imperative, if you want the very best in record reproduction, to have a magnetic pickup or cartridge on the arm of your record player. The ordinary phonograph uses a crystal pickup which is inexpensive, but it doesn't reproduce the vibrancy, sheen, and life-like quality of the magnetic type. The stylus—or what we used to know as the needle—fits into the magnetic cartridge. Such cartridges require a pre-amplifier which is frequently built into the tuner or amplifier units.

Your final decision is what stylus to buy. Experts say: make it a diamond which is a record's (as well as a girl's) best friend. It costs more than a sapphire stylus but, in the long run, it's less expensive because it doesn't require replacement so often. Sapphires start to show wear after five hours of playing; diamonds are good for around 1,000 hours of playing.

And now: how much will it cost you and where can you buy "hi-fi"? You can do a "hi-fi" job for as little as $150 and you'll still be getting double the fidelity you'd get from the average commercial set at the same or (Continued on page 170)
higher price. You can be fancy for $2,000 with several speakers set around the room. In the $300 to $500 range, you'll hear music as you've never heard it before. Most manufacturers stipulate a list price for the various units. However, most radio supply houses sell at prices 50 per cent off list.

Because your own particular ear is the best test for what you want to buy, you should go to one of these houses and hear "hi-fi" for yourself. If there is none in your community, there is a big and reliable mail order business being built up in every large city. These firms will advise you on units in your price range and you'll be assured that everything matches when you get the units you select. Not only that, but everything plugs in easily and you won't have to know input and output impedence, stylus pressures, and frequency curves to start listening to Bach, Brahms, Beethoven, or boogie.

Mr. Richardson:

On the subject of pitch: Pitch alone does not necessarily indicate that a sound is a musical one. There are two other qualities which are of equal importance in giving a tone its musical value—timbre and intensity. Timbre is the characteristic which gives sound its color—which enables the listener to recognize the various instruments. To understand timbre, one must realize that most sounding bodies—such as a violin string—vibrate not only as a whole, but in various segments as well. The vibration of these segments produces the harmonics, or overtones, which give a sound its individuality. Without timbre there would be no characteristic difference in tones of identical pitch whether played on a trumpet, a violin, or a clarinet.

On 78 rpm records: Without belittling the magnificence of today's LP recordings, a more tolerant view of yesterday's 78's is justifiable. There is no reason why a 78 rpm record cannot equal the musical quality of an LP in every respect. In fact, many of them do—even to the point that there is a controversy as to which sounds better. The chief virtue of the LP lies in its ability to deliver uninterrupted performance of lengthy compositions.

On commercial sets: Not all commercial sets are "too compactly created." Two or three manufacturers turn out ready-made high-fidelity sets which are difficult to surpass in their ability to deliver fine performance. They are costly, however—usually falling in the $1,000 to $2,000 bracket—and they are inflexible, decoratively speaking, because of the narrow range of cabinet styles in which they are available. Another means of achieving ready-made high-fidelity, also costly, is through a professional custom-builder. If you haven't the name of a custom-builder in your locality, get in touch with your local music store—they are certain to have his name on file, and will be glad to put you in touch with him.

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ON AMPLIFIERS: There is no such thing as an "automatic volume control" in amplifiers built for home music systems. There is, however, what is known as a compensated volume control. Its function is to compensate for the reduced sensitivity of the human ear to bass notes when music is played at low volume. A volume control which fully offsets this characteristic of the human hearing system is usually known as a loudness control. As volume is reduced or increased, the loudness control automatically adjusts the low frequency, or bass, response of your amplifier to suit your ear.

ON SPEAKERS: The subject of speakers in high-fidelity will be forever controversial. Although the performance of amplifiers, tuners, and record players may be fairly evaluated on the basis of engineering data, the speaker cannot. In it are married two of the basic sciences—electronics and acoustics—but, more importantly, a speaker sinks or swins on the vagaries of the human ear. Two speakers, for example, with identical published characteristics will sound different to different people.

The performance of any speaker is governed largely by the cabinet in which it is enclosed. Unless the cabinet is well-designed, the performance of the most expensive speakers will be completely disappointing. Even this thesis is open to question when it is realized that a hole cut in the center of a large wall offers an ideal means of realizing a speaker's full potential.

In selecting a speaker for your music system, pay careful attention to its power rating. The power rating of a speaker determines the amount of volume it will handle before reaching the point of overload, at which distortion sets in. The further below its overload point a speaker is operated, the better it will sound. Even though you never intend to operate your music system with more than two-watts output, a speaker rated at 10 watts will sound better than one rated at five. One rated at 25 watts will sound still better, though the frequency response of the various speakers is identical.

ON RECORD CHANGERS: It is getting a little finicky to imply as Mr. Goodrich says that automatic record changers will not satisfy fastidious music lovers. Admittedly, a single-record player offers a certain measure of precision which is not inherent in automatic changers. However, it does not offer the convenience of the automatic changer, and it is much more expensive. Your choice here may well be determined by your fetish for perfection even though it may not be audibly evident, and by your pocketbook.

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strong, and particularly if a more experienced pianist is ready to share responsibilities, the attachment known as the Solovox can provide not only amusement but some genuinely musical results. It has only a few keys, protruding from the right-hand end of the piano, but these permit the playing of solos with the tone color of an oboe or English horn. This woodwind quality blends beautifully with a piano accompaniment. It takes a skilled musician to handle both ends, but a mere novice can work out a solo if someone else will co-operate with him on the regular piano keys.

The Hammond organ also takes note of the trend toward musical simplification by now making an instrument which permits the playing of entire chords by merely pressing a button, while the right hand picks out a melody, again perhaps with only one finger. Here, too, the numerical system of notation has been found practical and the totally unmusical performer can actually arrive at something that sounds very much like a real organist.

The principle of "buttons for bass" is of course that of the popular piano-accordion, which has become one of America's favorite musical instruments, with its full quota of virtuoso performers. For years the Wurlitzer School of Music (a national assembly-line for accordion-players) has made practical use of a twelve-bass instrument for stimulating the desire to play the piano-accordion. (There are actually six bass buttons and six producing full chords, with two octaves of piano keys on which the right hand can finger the melody and some additional harmonies.) Small children are fascinated by this simplified accordion and many an adult has been delighted to make it the starting-point of a modest career as a home music-maker. The Wurlitzer system is to lend a twelve-bass instrument to the beginner and then substitute a full-sized piano-accordion with 120 buttons, when the pupil's ambition and skill justify the change. It works, too, even though some enthusiasts never get beyond the recreational stage.

For those who may consider themselves allergic to keyboard instruments there is a wonderful combination of music and amusement in the new Golden Autoharp, which suggests angelic overtones in the shape of an old-fashioned zither. The mere sweep of a soft felt plectrum across the maze of wire strings produces harp-like chords of musical beauty, requiring only the holding down of one of the clearly marked keys, indicating the resulting harmony. For a start it is best to stick to accompanying the voice in familiar songs, pitched in a practical key. But the more ambitious player of the Autoharp can soon learn to stop the plectrum on a melody note, even working out a boogie bass.

From such recreational stringed instruments it is an easy step to the wind-blown types, represented by semi-

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pictures and an occasional concert performance by Lucie Bigelow Rosen.

Also played by ear, and leaning in the direction of the musical saw, is a little steel instrument called the Flexa-Tone. The thumb flexes the steel surface, set in vibration by small hammers, and the resulting tones vibrate between percussion and pure air-waves of the Theremin type. The Flexa-Tone is primarily a toy, degenerating into a noisy rattle in the atmosphere of a night-club, but it has its musical possibilities and is fun to play if only because there are no problems of tone production or note-reading.

Possibly the ukulele should be included in this gallery of recreational music, for it makes no pretensions of aesthetic significance. Most people find it quite easy to strum a few chords on the ukulele's four strings, but even this primitive skill is now further simplified by a so-called "Chord-finder" fastened to the finger-board and substituting four buttons for the corresponding extremities of the human hand, but requiring only one finger for each chord. Arthur Godfrey (who needs no such help in his Hawaiian movies) has publicized the Chord-finder on his television programs until the ukulele manufacturers are seriously worried over the possible extinction of the art as an individual expression.

All this still comes under the head of "Fun with Music," and every holiday season seems to offer some new ideas toward simplifying general participation in music at home.
Teotihuacan, relics of the Toltecs who reached their zenith about 900 A.D., and you are just as likely to think of them every time you see one of the even-fluted Mexican volcanoes, such as Pariacutin, near Guadalajara. The mellow beauty of the Zapatoncean temple-ruins at Milpa, in Oaxaca, will remind you of the designs on the courtyard walls of the National Library at the University. And the light filtering through the clear and concrete domes of the engineering building will be remembered whenever you look at the gilded interiors of countless Mexican churches: the cathedrals in Mexico City, Guadalajara, and Puebla; the Church of San Sebastián and Santa Prisca at Taxco; the Church of San Cayetano, which crowns a high hill above Guanajuato, a charming town, founded, like Taxco, on silver; the Churches of San Miguel and La Concepción in San Miguel Allende, an idyllic Colonial city not far from Guanajuato. Both of these cities can be visited from Querétaro (about 200 miles north of the capital) where Maximilián made his last stand in 1867.

If your first trip to Mexico is a short one, it is likely that you will fly (example: National Airlines connecting with Guest Airways at Miami, flies daily from New York to Mexico City, time 11½ hours). It is also likely that you will follow the popular route from Mexico City to Acapulco, taking in Cuernavaca and Taxco, or you may just fly to Acapulco (it takes one hour from Mexico City: Guest Airways or Aeronaves de Mexico) and stay there to enjoy the swimming, fishing, and night life. When it comes to picking a hotel, the newest in Mexico City is the Del Prado, with 600 rooms, each the proud possessor of a bath and a radio. Located on the Avenue Juárez, opposite Alameda Park, it has a dining room decorated by Diego Rivera and telephone operators who speak English. Rates, European plan: $4.50 to $8 single, $5 to $9 double.

The Reforma, on the broad and beautiful Paseo de la Reforma, is in the same class, slightly less in price. The Geneve, rather a family place and away from the center of things, still caters to Americans with rates that run from $2 to $4.50 single, $3 to $6 double, European plan. The Ritz, the Prince, and the Regis are all commercial hotels in the downtown center, charging from about $2.50 to $4.50 single, $4 to $7 double, European plan.

The hotels at Cuernavaca have obviously been designed to induce you to remain there. One of the pleasantest is the Hotel Mandel, on Highway 3 before reaching Cuernavaca from Mexico City. A rambling place with drooping trees and a swimming pool, it's about $4 for a double room, European plan.

The Hacienda Vista Hermosa, 25 minutes from Cuernavaca, was once the home of Cortez, has a swimming pool built under the arches of an old aqueduct. If you stay there you may boat and fish for black bass in Lake Tequesquitengo, and in the fall, hunt for ... (Continued on page 172)
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duck and quail. Rates from $5 single to $11 double, American plan.

At Taxco, a hilly town, the hotels are inclined to rise in price with the altitude. Topping them all is the Victoria, a handsome hotel with a broad stone dining terrace looking over the town. A room with a view will cost you about $10 per person, American plan. Most of the hotels are built, like the town, on different levels, with arches, balconies, catwalks, and stairways connecting the various rooms. Among them are De La Borda, Los Arcos, and Posada de la Misión, all about $11 double, American plan.

At Acapulco, the Caleta sits on a wind-swept bluff, just a few minutes' walk from the beach. You can enjoy one of its rooms, every one of which has a bath, a porch, and a clear view of the Pacific, for $11.50 single, $18.50 double, American plan. The Hotel de las Americas offers life in cottages that nestle around an old watch tower, a nightclub, and a swimming pool; $10 single, $17 double, $66 for private villa, American plan. The Club de Pesca, gleamingly modern, has a harbor-side pool, a second-story nightclub, and a fishing dock with power boats; $10 single, $17 double, American plan. A fishing boat costs $30 a day.

Transportation data

By plane: Guest Airways flies from Miami to Mexico City, has connecting flights on National and Eastern Air Lines planes between Miami and Boston, New York, Philadelphia, or Washington. Pan American World Airways flies from Houston to Mexico City. American Airlines flies from Dallas to Mexico City, has connecting flights from Dallas to American cities from coast to coast.

By train: The National Railways of Mexico, in cooperation with the New York Central and Pennsylvania railroads, runs through sleeper service between New York and Mexico City, and with Missouri Pacific from St. Louis.

GOOD DESIGN

Waikiki lounge selected for recent Good Design exhibit, shown in our October issue on p. 168, was incorrectly identified. Walter Lamb designed and made the lounge of white canvas laced to a bronze frame in verdigris finish.

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Try the action and the tone, not just a
few chords but every note from bottom
top to see if the "feel" is equal. If some
notes sound sharper than others, the
tone should be regulated by an ex-
pert. There is a way of finding out the
exact age of a piano. Like your car,
every piano manufactured has a num-
ber on it somewhere, usually cast in the
plate. Ask your dealer for a little book-
let called Michel's Piano Atlas which
lists all the makes, including dozens of
old ones that were forced out of busi-
ness during the depression. Each series
number corresponds to a year which
is clearly marked so no fake claims in
this field can be upheld.

How to Place Your Piano. When you
select a place for your piano, you are
of course concerned not only with the
way it fits into your room scheme (see
our suggestions on pgs. 118-121, but
also with acoustics. Here are a few
acoustical facts to reckon with. A piano
placed close against a glass wall will
tend to have a harsher, metallic sound.
Though comparatively little of the
sound extends downward, it is desirable
to have the piano legs on a rug or carpet
as bare parquet, stone, brick, and ter-
razzo bounce back the sound and give
reverberations. The new, resilient floor
coverings (such as cork, rubber tile) do
not have this effect. If you place a verti-
cal in a recessed wall, be sure there is
adequate space at the sides and a little,
too, at the back, as a completely en-
closed piano will produce what is called
a barrel tone. Ideally, a vertical is best
placed against an inside wall with a
small breathing space between the two.
The wall will then act as a second
sound board and throw back good
tone. If you wish to back a vertical
up against a sofa, you will improve
acoustics if you line the back of the
latter with a smooth material such as
wallboard. One company makes a verti-
cal which is finished all around for use
as a room divider. With this, you will
have to experiment to see which place-
ment in the room gives optimum sound.
Once your piano is in place, if you are
not satisfied with the tone, your dealer
will have it regulated free of charge.
Tone regulation is done by jacking the
felts with a small, double needle to pro-
duce a softer, mellower effect. How far
you want to have this carried out is a
matter of personal taste and a predilec-
tion for romantic composers such as
Chopin. On the other hand, if you are a
Bach and Mozart player, you might pre-
clear a cleaner, more brilliant tone. So
if you feel that your piano sounds too
muffled or too sharp, ask your dealer to
send an expert who will either jib or
file the felts to the exact tone you want.
And of course, don't let open windows
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You haven't listed "Jeux d'Enfants" (children's games). Next, Rimsky-Korsakov's Scheherazade, and the suite from his opera Cog d'Or, Then Les Sylphides, based on music by Chopin; Debussy's Ibérie; Ravel's Ma Mère L'Oye (Mother Goose) and his first Daphnis et Chloé suite (notice that the first suite based on a stage work is usually the most successful). The second helping is likely to be not so good). The list finishes with the suite that Stravinsky made from his ballet, The Firebird.

Concertos with orchestra come next. I would say: Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto; Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 1 in E-flat; Grieg's Piano Concerto; Rachmaninoff's Second Piano Concerto in C-minor; and, to give a local boy a break, Gershwin's Concerto in F.

Now for another fairly heavily populated field, the symphonic poems, in which composers undertake to convey in music the mood of a story or a picture. For the beginning I would suggest: Debussy's The Afternoon of a Faun; Rimsky-Korsakov's orchestration of Mussorgsky's Night in the Bald Mountain; Sibelius' Finlandia; and Paul Dukas' The Sorcerer's Apprentice; winding up with The Moldau, by Smetana, and Fountains of Rome and Pines of Rome, both by Respighi.

Our list continues with overtures. Recommended examples are: Mendelssohn's A Midsummer Night's Dream, of course; Beethoven's Leonore No. 3; the overture and bacchanal from Wagner's (Continued on page 178).

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tender work can outrage the sensibilities and lead the listener to revolt against the translated way. To sympathize one has but to read the English versions that accompany the original text in many of the published scores. Also, what Benjamin Franklin thought was wrong doesn't seem to bother our own loyalties to the classics that have stood the test of time. We do not care to argue about the poor wedding of sounds in a nursery rhyme such as "Little Tommy Tucker sang for his supper," nor does the Old Opera Guard shoulder at the vocalizing of the Toreador who is "en gar-de-ar-de." There are more than two sides to the question. There are those who believe that all operas should be done in English. Others, all in the original. And a third group—as in politics—which takes the middle of the road and believes that some operas lend themselves to English and some do not. The more perfect the libretto, the less it should be tampered with. And when an opera is tampered with, tampering doesn't mean literal translation, but rather, semi-free adaptation. The new work may differ in detail, but should contain the spiritual values of the original, the intent of the character delineation, and the over-all direction of the plot.

It cannot be argued successfully that English is not a singable language. The most beautiful poetry and the greatest volume of it has been written in English, and were there more composers with English as their native tongue, there is little doubt that English would now be the predominant language for the singer. It is true that Italian and French have more words of liquid sound and open terminations, but it is also true that English has a greater vocabulary from which to choose. Good English lyrics may require more digging, but the words are there for the writer to unearth. Unfortunately, there have been less than 20 operas written by American composers and performed at the Met. Practically all of these were short-lived and it would be difficult to name those that have been repeated for more than one season. However, the Met may still look forward to presenting George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," a work of true distinction and with a remarkable libretto by Ira Gershwin and Du Bose Heyward. If we had more Gershwins, we'd have more good operas in English and we wouldn't be arguing too much in favor of adaptations. Indeed, the argument would travel abroad and several of the Old Opera Guard in Paris would be holding out for a Gershwin work in the original English.

Were such the case I should be on the side of the Old Guard, because I do not believe that perfect librettos should be adapted at all. Der Rosenkavalier is a beautiful poetic work by Hugo von Hofmannsthal, and I doubt that an equivalent could be arrived at in another language. But other standard operas, the ones that have been performed the most, do lend themselves to

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