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Table decorations you can make for a gay bridal shower

With June in the air and engagements being announced, it's time to think of bridal showers. If you're planning to give a shower this spring, why not try your hand at some of these attractive table decorations designed by the Demison Manufacturing Company? They'll add a romantic touch to the table, and in each case "something borrowed" or "something blue" has been used to make them. (Borrow a pipe cleaner from dad's humidor, for example, or a coffee can from the kitchen cupboard.) There is a large parasol centerpiece to make for a single table decoration; a smaller candle holder for individual card tables; imaginative place cards and favors to round out the bridal decorating scheme, used on the table.

Parasol centerpiece is so feminine and pretty, you'd never guess that an empty coffee can forms the base! Because of its height (18" from top to toe) it makes an impressive decoration on a large table. You'll also need lace paper doilies, 9" paper plate, cardboard, ribbon, blue crepe paper and a small curtain rod for stem.

Wedding ring place card is made from a circle of wire, wrapped with duplex crepe paper to desired thickness, and covered with silver metallic (e.g. lining from a cigarette pack). The fringed crepe at the base (which echoes the parasol centerpiece) is tipped with silver and blue. A red bow is used to tie on the card.

Joan Miehlbeck

YOUNG IDEAS
Candle holder makes a delightful centerpiece for individual card tables (you should use Dennison's flame-proof crepe paper for this). Blue crepe paper, scalloped on both edges, is trimmed with a bridal rose (or any other flower) to form the base. Use a white candle, or a pastel tint of the flower used on the base.

Nosegay favor is really a place card, but is so realistic every guest will want to wear it as a corsage. A glowing rose in the center is backed by blue crepe paper petals, lace paper doily and blue corsage ribbon. All are attached to a wire stem.

Parasol nut cup serves as a place card, is dainty and appealing in blue crepe paper. The parasol is made with a pipe cleaner, scalloped-edge crepe paper and a red ribbon bow. Nut cap is covered in blue crepe paper. The effect is enchanting, and will lend a note of whimsy and color to a bridal shower table. For instructions on how to make these bridal shower decorations, write to H&E Reader Service, 429 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

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You must go there if you like outdoor sports under perfect conditions: sailing, swimming, golf, tennis, fishing, water-skiing; even if you don’t, go all the same for the sun and blue sea, and for Bermuda itself, which is far more than just a holiday center. You’ll find that it is rich in history, and that its miniature-scale landscapes are as pretty as a Japanese garden.

By air your first glimpse will be of the verdigris green of shallow water on the reefs north of the islands, sharp against the lapis lazuli of the ocean; then you will see the 23-mile-long chain of islands, connected by bridges and causeways, that is Bermuda. They form the tip of a submerged extinct volcano rising out of some of the sea’s greatest depths (it was off here that William Beebe made his famous bathysphere descent). By sea your ship docks you right alongside Front Street, the main shopping street of the capital city of Hamilton, after threading between numerous low green islands, past flower-smothered houses and silvery-pink beaches. Everywhere yachts skim over water that is unbelievably, sparkingly blue, and so clear that you can see the bottom gliding underneath.

Start your Bermuda life by having a drink or a cup of coffee across the street from the dock on the balcony of the ‘21’ club or Elizabeth’s Tea Cozy. In either place you can make friends or listen to local gossip while overlooking the chaos of passing taxis, horse carriages, buggies, bicycles, and Bermuda-shorted Bermudians. Everyone wears comfortable casual clothes: cotton dresses and flat heels, or knee-length shorts and stockings, sometimes with a jacket and tie (you only need evening clothes for a few places, but take a light wrap for cool evenings, and something old and rough for wearing in boats). Make a note to hire yourself a bicycle, preferably one with an auxiliary motor to save your muscles; it will take you all round the islands on a quart of gas (the balmy climate and the beautiful, varied countryside with its twisting lanes, sudden views of azure sea, seem designed for such a carefree way of roaming). Otherwise you can take taxis, carriages, buses, or ferries, but you won’t be able to get a driving permit for 30 days.

You will want to spend time mooching in famous shops such as Trimingham’s, A. S. Cooper’s or Smith’s, on Front Street, or in the narrow streets uphill behind. You’ll be amazed at the low prices of luxury goods: doeskin (Continued on page 33)
Bermuda continued from page 32

flannels or Harris tweeds, perfumes, silks, Mohair rugs, casemere pullovers, leather goods, fishing tackle, cameras, silver. You'll understand why Front Street is called "The Showcase of the British Empire," why land along it sells for as much as land on Fifth Avenue.

For such a small capital (population 3000) Hamilton has its full share of ancient ceremonial. For the opening of parliament (the world's oldest, except for Britain's and Iceland's) the Governor, magnificently uniformed in acocked hat with plumes, arrives to represent the Queen in a State carriage drawn by white horses. Although he presides, the colony has been self-governing since 1684. Try to attend a debate, and if possible be there on time to watch the Sergeant-at-Arms, bearing the huge silver-gilt mace, conduct the Speaker to his dais. Both Speaker and Clerk wear impressive wigs, as do the scarlet-robed Chief Justice and black-gowned lawyers of the Supreme Court, held also in the Sessions House, which you can recognize by its clock tower.

Do not miss the dignified Cathedral, the graceful Public Building nearby (upstairs the Council Chamber contains a 300-year-old throne, and fine portraits of George III and Queen Charlotte), or the beautiful garden of the Public Library. Around Front Street there are many old buildings, but for the best of the unique Bermuda architecture go into the country.

Plan your wanderings so you pass such superb old houses as Inwood, home of the Jones family for over 250 years; Spittalhead, the 18th century home of the famous privateer Ezekiah Frith, and now owned by Eugene O'Neill; Norwood, which has a maze modelled on Hampton Court's, and a "keep out" notice that reads: "Where tramps must not. Surely ladies and gentlemen will not trespass!"; Orange Grove, surround- ed by exotic tamarind, mammea apple, and Barbados cherry trees. Notice their beautiful roofs, made from the local stone, cut softly enough to be newly quarried to be sawn into slices, but hardens on exposure. Other features of the Bermudian style: "Welcoming arm" steps at the main entrance; "butteries"—quaint little towers; and the laminar roofs topped by a ball, in which food was formerly stored, now mostly converted into studios, bath or beach houses; raised fireplaces; tray ceilings. You'll love the soft color-washed walls, the proportions of the doors and windows, the happy, flower-filled, informal gardens (sometimes in the hollow left in quarrying stone for the house). Restaurants or guest houses have been made from some of the finest houses, such as Tom Moore's Tavern, set in an exquisite wooded bay (the lobsters are famous), or lovely 300-years-old Watermill, which is soft enough when newly beehive-diving or aquaplaning.

Among the hundred other things you'll want to do: play golf at the Mid-Ocean Club, fish in the surf for bone-fish, pompano, or deep-sea for amberjack and bonito; watch native "Gom- bier" dancers, and a race of the famous 14-foot Bermuda dinghies (they carry up to 1000 square feet of sail, capable without a man aboard); relax for days on endless beaches, Leamington, you can get "Bermuda Holiday" by Mary John- son Tweedy, "The Story of Bermuda" by Hudson Strode.

How to get there: Daily flights leave New York (three hours, $99 return, tourist) and there are frequent direct flights from other Eastern cities. By (Continued on page 92)
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The British West Indies

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ENTERTAINING

Quick tricks from your pantry shelf

More spur-of-the-moment recipes by Marian Maeve O'Brien to help you greet the unexpected guest or meet the unforeseen emergency.

Spinach en casserole
(serves 6)

First, light the oven and set at 350°. Butter a deep baking dish (a deep ovenproof glass cake pan is fine and cooks faster). Set 3 eggs to simmer, so they'll be hard cooked when you need them. Cook 4 slices bacon until very crisp, so that they'll be easily crumbled.

Open a No. 2 can of spinach and drain. Place the spinach, 1 tsp. onion powder, 1/2 tsp. garlic powder, 4 Tbsp. soft butter, 1 heaping Tbsp. flour, 1 cup milk, 1/2 tsp. salt, a dash of black pepper and a dash of nutmeg in the electric blender. Whirl for 2 minutes with the lid on. Turn half the blended mixture into the baking dish. Top with the hard-cooked eggs, sliced, and the bacon, crumbled fine. Add the remaining half of the eggs, sliced, and bake in a 350° oven for 25-30 minutes, or until set.

Spinach en casserole
(serves 6)

Quick apple savoury
(serves 6)

Make up a package of pastry mix according to the directions on the box; roll out thin, as for pie crust, on a lightly floured board. Cut into six 4" squares.

Have ready a can of sliced pie apples, 3 slices American cheese cut in half diagonally, and 4 Tbsp. brown sugar mixed with 1 tsp. cinnamon. If you have chopped candied citron on the shelf (it comes in little 3 oz. cans) a teaspoonful on each savoury is a nice addition.

Place a triangle of cheese on each pastry square. Add about 2 Tbsp. apples. Sprinkle lightly with the sugar and cinnamon mixture; add the citron if you're using it. Fold the pastry squares in half and press the edges firmly together. (Moisten two edges with a finger dipped in a little water, they'll stick.) Bake in a 350° oven, top of each savoury with a fork, or make little slits with a paring knife, to allow the steam to escape. Remove the savories to a cookie sheet, using a broad spatula. Bake at 375° for about 30 minutes, or until the pastry is browned (a light brushing with milk, before the pastry is put into the oven, will give you a nice, even brown glaze). Bake on the top shelf of the oven; then they'll brown as quickly on top as the bottom.

If you have a few moments extra, make this delicious pudding sauce to serve with them: In a small saucepan, combine 1/2 cup sugar and 1 1/2 Tbsp. cornstarch. Blend well. Stir in 1 cup hot water, and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened and clear. Remove from the heat, add 2 Tbsp. butter, 3 Tbsp. frozen lemonade or 1 Tbsp. frozen lemon juice concentrate, whichever you have on hand, and a few grains salt. Serve hot or cold.

Quicksilver bites

If you can purchase tiny fluted foil cups from a candy store in your community, they will add a great deal to these glamorous sweet bits. If not, simply drop by teaspoonsful on waxed paper, and set in the refrigerator to harden. With barely minutes of kitchen time, you can have a stock of sweets always on hand, for gifts or guests.

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To fill in the spaces on the plate, you might like to try:

**Quicksilver nut sweets**

Simply spread a 6 oz. can of shelled unsalted nuts on a cookie sheet. Crisp in the oven at 300° for 15 minutes. Mix 1 Tbsp. melted butter with 1 Tbsp. honey and pour over. Toss with a spatula until the nuts are completely coated with the honey mixture. Turn off the oven and leave the nuts inside, until well dried, tossing again once or twice. These must be stored in an airtight box.

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Always prepare scalloped oysters in a shallow baking dish, so that you won’t have an undercooked middle; this method of combining ingredients keeps the bivalves tender and flavorful. Use either canned or frozen oysters, but make sure that you have the small varieties, which are better for scalloped dishes than steaks.

Turn one 10 1/2 ounce can of condensed cream of celery soup into a saucepan. Add 1 1/4 tsp. Worcestershire sauce and the oysters, juice and all. Barely simmer, watching closely all the while, until the edges of the oysters begin to curl. Remove from the heat.

Measure 2 cups prepared stuffing mix. Add 1 1/2 cup melted butter or margarine, 1/2 tsp. salt, and 1 tsp. monosodium glutamate. Toss lightly. Butter a round 8” pan (it must be at least 1 1/4” deep; a deep cake pan is fine). Spread a third of the stuffing mixture on the bottom. Cover with half the oysters. Salt and pepper lightly. Add another layer of stuffing. Repeat, ending with a third of the stuffing mixture on the top. Make dressing in a medium glaze pan. Add 3, 1/2 cups flour and blend until smooth. Then add 4 cups canned chicken broth slowly, stirring until the vegetables are golden and tender. Add 2 Tbsp. flour and blend until smooth. Then add 4 cups canned chicken broth slowly, stirring until the while remain satiny and fairly thick. Cook about five minutes more. Add 1 tsp. monosodium glutamate and a little salt and paprika to taste. If it doesn’t taste enough like celery, add a teaspoon of so or too celery juice. Or a teaspoon of celery seed.

Now stir in 1 cup milk, 1/4 cup light cream (or 1/2 cup milk and 4 Tbsp. powdered cream, if you don’t happen to have fresh cream on hand), 1/2 cup crunch style peanut butter, 1/2 tsp. monosodium glutamate and a little salt, pepper and paprika to taste. This step will go more quickly if you soften the peanut butter with a little of the milk before combining it with the remaining ingredients.

Heat below the boiling point until well blended and piping hot, stirring all the while. Taste and correct the seasoning. This will serve 6 generously.

For a garnish, float cubes of leftover ham, or a teaspoon of chopped parsley, in each cup.

**Salad puffs**

Start the oven going at moderate, or 350°. Combine 2 cup cream or cottage cheese, 1/4 cup melted butter, 1 tsp. salt, 1/2 cup commercial sour cream, 1 tsp. caraway seeds, 1 whole egg and 1 egg yolk. Blend thoroughly.

Spread fairly thick on halved frankfurter rolls or slices of rye or canned pumpernickel, being sure to have the edges nice and neat. Dust with paprika. Place in the oven until the bread is heated through and the cheese topping is set; it will take about 10-15 minutes. Serve at once.

This is a delicious finger bread for luncheon service; with a fruit salad plate, for instance, it’s superb if you have two or three different breads on hand so that you can have a variety of puffs. It adds greatly to the interest. This quantity makes enough for about 15 rolls or bread slices; try making it up in this quantity and refrigerating the rest for a future meal.

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The renaissance of spoken verse is discussed in a provocative article on new recordings, by Walter Kerr, drama critic of the "New York Herald Tribune".

People, especially people who remember their college courses in Creative Writing, will still shake a finger at you and tell you that poetry was meant to be read aloud. This is a holdover from misinformation; readers of poetry are rather proud to possess. It isn't a very practical piece of information, since it doesn't lead them to the practice of reading poetry aloud, and it certainly doesn't lead them to reading poetry in the study. In a way, I suppose, it's a splendid excuse for not reading poetry at all.

Anyway, what once was true hasn't been at all true for quite a long time now. Even if it is sound theory that poetry infiltrates the blood stream best when its melodic pressures are directed immediately against the ear, the fact remains that the modern poet distributes his emphases for the pleasure and interest of the eye. (An extreme example, of course, is the splitting of a single word over two lines, as in the visual clamon of E. E. Cummings.)

More than that, the poet has begun to count on careful perusal, with its possible backtracking, to the point where his verses are lucky now to have the two Caedmon publishers offer Mr. Cummings in generous doses of Him, Eimi, Santa Claus, and the slighter pieces, and Mr. Cummings is spectacularly willing to open his throat, to take breaths "bigger than a circus tent," and to splash a rainbow of vocal coloration over his essentially intellectual constructions. Mr. Cummings does not read dryly; he is no pedant. But the very enthusiasm that pours from him, the deliberately meliluous tones, serve to open a gap between us and his work that wasn't there before. The reading is juicy, conventionally rhetorical; the verse isn't. The result smacks faintly of ham. (One small irony that crops up as you listen to Cummings out loud is the discovery that the author's famed aversion to capital letters is a shrewd, and perhaps necessary, feint; he is the greatest purveyor of capital letters going, with his Man, Time, Space, Death, Them, Was, Why, Isn't, Where, and Yes—you can't miss them on the record.) Visual verse does not turn into aural verse simply by being sung.

W. H. Auden does not try for an organ recital, and thereby presents us with the reverse side of the problem. In the album that Caedmon has given us (In Memory of W. B. Yeats, Precious Five, Seven, Bartricks, and five other selections) the author reads precisely, judiciously, even austerely. He is not eager to add to what has been perfectly realized on the printed page; he seems, rather, to be reading arithmetically, coolly, forming the letters for us so that we shall see how the line looks. Once in a while there is a specifically vocal effect: Mr. Auden has a wonderfully terse fashion of ending a poem as though the continuity of life had been snapped with a scissors. But the reading is—as almost any reading of this kind of poetry must be—too fast; the moment we allow ourselves to savor an image or to pursue its intellectual extension, we lose the thread of thought, and the links of feeling.

Contemporary poetry does not, as a rule, have natural aural progression. It does not unwind; it lies in a tight, lovely coil. Mr. Auden respects its shape, tracing its intricacies with suitably pursed lips. But the final impact is necessarily professorial, a little like a sight-seeing guide who has taken you around the cathedral efficiently and discreetly and now hopes you won't be vulgar enough to ask questions.

The fact that most current recordings of poems are made by the poets who wrote them is in itself an indication of our lack of confidence in the power of spoken verse. We do not really buy these albums because we want to hear verse read, or because we expect it to be read well; we buy them simply to hear the voices of living poets. This represents a praiseworthy curiosity on our part, no doubt, but it does not suggest a thrilled and expectant pursuit of pleasure.

The poet who came closest to binding these two things together was the late Dylan Thomas, a Welshman with a Welsh instinct for the platform. We are lucky now to have the two Caedmon volumes of Thomas, with their hubbling, hack-slapping inebriation. An untimely death was untimely in many ways: Mr. Thomas had made conscious assault on the conscious silence of the contemporary versifier, was well along in his battle to make the written word ring out forcefully and intelligibly in the auditorium. The battle wasn't finished, or won. The exhilaration of Thomas, on records, is the exhilaration of a personality, of an excited and exciting voice; it diminishes after its first impact, constricted by the involutions of the poems themselves. But Mr. Thomas had started from the premise that the intellect and the ear cannot simultaneously satisfy, and his recorded work stands as an important step in a heartening experiment.

Perhaps nothing is stranger at this point than the continued, almost eerie, (Continued on page 92)

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effectiveness of a man who shouldn’t have been effective and be impure toward the commercial recording of poetry in our time was given by T. S. Eliot some years ago, under the auspices of the HarvardSelective, Mr. Eliot, with both his tongue and motions rolled, ought to have been an anti-septic reader, a man with ashes in his mouth. There was a time when professional readers of poetry rocked with glee over the prin spasm of Mr. Eliot getting ‘round the prickly-pear. Rehearsing the Harvard selection today, though, is a chastening experience. Eliot is an excellent reader of Eliot. The poetry does have, of course, a strong conversational bias; the author has not admired the late Elizabethans and the Jacobean for nothing. But more than that, Mr. Eliot has a permanent streak of the stage-struck in him; in his tidy way, he is a showman; his heart and soul belong to the mocking vauvalille of “Under the ham, under the bee, under the harken tree.” If his readings are the readings of a boy hauled into the parlor, they are the readings of a boy who has been hiding behind the drapes watching a boy hauled into the parlor. Mr. Eliot’s instinct is musical, graphic, mimic. Because of this, we are never at a loss over intellectual content; we are pushed headlong by a serious entertainer and we enjoy the scenery as it whizzes by. (Compared to more recent recordings, the Harvard Disc begins to sound echo-chamberish today, and it might be wise to reissue any minute.)

But the victory of spoken verse, if it is ever to come, will come, I think, not through the poets themselves but through skilled, professional interpreters. The poets must solve the basic literary problem; actors and actresses will probably have to take over at the lectern. This seems to me clear enough from the graceful, assured, varied, easily powerful vocal skill that Judith Austin brings to selected readings from Edna St. Vincent Millay (Cardenmo). Miss Anderson has a voice that is eminently suited to records; she has at her disposal the kind of technical equipment that a sober poet might pray for. She is still, I think, a bit hesitant about asserting herself, fearful lest a firm interpretation of her own commit the poet to something he mightn’t have meant. (And this is a problem to be solved, too: should an interpreter hag the lines out of cautious respect, or translate in the interests of excitement?) But if we are to listen for pleasure—if we are to relax and let the verse find its way to us—Miss Anderson’s way is the best so far.

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ship it takes two nights from New York and costs $125 or more for the round trip, but the fun of the voyage on the luxurious “Queen of Bermuda” or “Ocean Monarch” is well worth the difference. Other ships sail from American and Canadian ports; consult your travel agent, there may be a specially convenient way for you.

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The wonderful, challenging,
precious freedom of choice

This year over 1,600,000 young couples will marry, decorate their first home, give their first big party, look forward to their first baby. To them this Young Ideas issue of House & Garden is dedicated. Every decision they make will be a matter of mutual or personal choice. To understand why this privilege of choice is the most precious of freedoms, read this provocative article by Sophie Kerr, author and authority on the arts of living.

S
ome smart person, I don't know who, once wrote it down that Concentration and Selection are man's highest attributes. So far as I can see this also applies to women, and though I don't wholly agree with the aphorism, I do wish to shout to the skies that where Selection is concerned it isn't cultivated or used half as much as it should be, either by men or by women.

Selection! Selection! It rules our every moment and we are but dimly aware of it. Of course if you are one of those who believe in predestination, forordination or that cheery hint from the ancient Greeks that there's a fate marching at your shoulder to direct all your acts, this idea is not for you. But if you're a believer in freedom of thought and freedom of action, independence of choice in practically everything is a most precious part of your living.

Just look at it: We wake in the morning. We choose our time to get up. We choose what we will wear and what we will eat for breakfast. We choose what to do with our day. If we have jobs, we choose what sort of jobs they shall be. We choose when to see our friends and what we will say or not say to them. We choose where we will go and what money we will spend; what paper we will read; how we will be inspired, edified and entertained. We exercise our power of selection on our manners, morals, mental habits, our politics, our customs and our foibles. We select our friends, our business associates, our advisors, our helpers. (Please don't bother to remind me; I know we can't select our parents. Nor can our parents select their children, and I heartily wish that some children who complain of their parents would reflect that possibly they aren't the choice their parents would have made could they have done so.)

One of my young friends, who has a job and a fiancé and who has realized, as so many do not, that freedom of choice is a privilege as well as a responsibility, is uncertain how best to use it. Here are her thoughtful words:

"I'd like to know how best to use my choosing power (a) in creating a home; in selecting furnishings that will express us; (b) but even more in choosing a way of life; (c) how to evaluate and choose between many worthy activities, valuable interests, be selective about my time so as to be able to pursue individual interests, cultivate inner resources; (d) how to be (Cont'd on page 165)
ENTERTAINING

In suburban America, the casual cocktail party has been replaced by a regular pattern of entertaining. Today's young marrieds find pleasure and relaxation in hospitality at home. They like to have company at least twice a month, prefer to give buffet parties or dinners for four or eight. Here and on the next 5 pages are ideas for menus and table settings, plans for organizing dining and cooking space that are tailored to this type of friendly living.

How to give a good party

Giving a good party can be the greatest fun in life. But let's face it, until you're an experienced hand at entertaining, good parties just don't come naturally. They are the result of careful planning, a sound knowledge of your own abilities and the capacity to cope with the unexpected. Everything can contribute to the success or failure of a party: the guests, the food, the way you look and act, the appearance of your home, the arrangement of furniture, even the hour at which people arrive and leave. So in order to give a party everyone will enjoy (including you and your husband) it's almost essential to have a plan of campaign. Start with the guest list. Whether you're planning a dinner for eight or a buffet for a large crowd, you should draw up your list about two weeks ahead. Then you'll have plenty of time to mail or telephone invitations and adjust your guest and marketing lists according to the acceptances you receive. Check the guest list over very carefully with your husband (half the fun of giving a party is planning it together) and discuss the number

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For quiet evenings at home, make an occasion of dinner or supper for two

SERVE

You can turn a simple dinner or supper into a party-at-home for two. Above left: on your first-month anniversary, why not surprise your husband with dinner by candlelight? Let the main dish be coq au vin, kept hot in an oven-to-table casserole over a candlewarmer. Above right: while he is watching his favorite TV show, wheel in individual supper tables, each with its own lustre casserole and small bouquet. This is a charming and convenient way to combine viewing and eating, at your leisure.

SERVE

*Crabmeat George V casserole
Artichokes vinaigrette
Onion bread
Vanilla ice cream, fresh lemon juice
Coffee

Your guide to selecting and serving American Wines

BY MORRISON WOOD

The two most important things to know about wine are the classes and types of wine. Virtually all wines fit into five classes: appetizer wines, red table wines, white table wines, sweet dessert wines, and sparkling wines.

APPETIZER WINES: These are so called because they are favored for before-meal or cocktail use, and in America largely consist of sherry and vermouth. They both range from dry (not in the sense of sour, but rather in the sense of the opposite of sweet), to semi-sweet. Sherry is characterized by its "nutty" flavor, and ranges in color from pale to dark amber. It may be dry (so labeled) or (sometimes labeled "cocktail sherry"), medium, or sweet (sometimes labeled "cream sherry"). The alcoholic content of sheries is around 20%. Vermouth is wine flavored with herbs and other aromatic substances. (Continued on page 198)
Two simple ways to serve guests who linger: buffet or on individual trays

When your cocktail guests stay late, it's a simple matter to prepare a buffet meal if you have a casserole dish in the freezer, a cold dessert in the refrigerator. Warm the casserole at table in a chafing dish so you can still enjoy talking to your friends.

In the suburbs, you may often have to prepare an impromptu meal for friends who "just drop by" and get absorbed in conversation. It's a good (and convenient) idea to arrange small individual trays and wheel in the meal on a tea cart so that each can help himself.

Serve *Savory chicken casserole with fried rice, salad, dessert

Serve *Veal paprika casserole; romaine, chicory salad; fresh fruit

Serve *Eggplant Extraordinaire casserole; salad, Roquefort dressing; a fruit dessert

Serve *Swedish meat ball casserole; salads; fruit, cheese; wine punch

Variations on Sunday supper for eight: seated and smorgåsbord

You can easily accommodate eight for Sunday supper by setting up two card tables in the living room. For contrast, have different-colored pastel cloths covered with dotted Swiss. Later, you can clear tables for cards.

For an informal Sunday supper, you might give a smorgåsbord party in your sun porch or game room. A long, low cocktail table acts as a buffet for assorted cold salads and platters, a hot casserole, punch.
Small dinner parties for the small budget

**Serve *Chili con carne casserole; green salad; chilled coconut pudding**

You can give an attractive but inexpensive dinner for four by planning it around a casserole such as chili con carne. Use Mexican accessories, hand-woven cloth and centerpiece (a tin-and-copper mirror piled with fruit and flowers) to tie in with main dish.

**Serve *Cabbage Russe casserole; browned rice or lasagne; salad; dessert; tea**

A dinner party with a homespun feeling is fun for informal entertaining in the country or at the shore. Here the casserole dish, Cabbage Russe, inspired the cabbage-and-mushroom centerpiece, rough textured accessories and plain white earthenware plates.

Informal ways to entertain with TV as the focal point

**Serve *Hawaiian ham casserole with noodles; salad; dessert***

For a TV party, you can wheel in a buffet meal on a mobile cart or table during the station break. The main dish, a casserole, can be kept at serving temperature over a warming stand until it is needed.

**Serve *Ragout of beef casserole; caraway potato puffs; fruit compote***

Please guests who love Gobel by serving supper on a low cocktail table in full view of the TV screen. Floor cushions or ottomans can substitute for chairs. A good casserole, wine, simple accessories are all you need.
Are you making the most of your dining space?

The hour your family spends around the dinner table can be the most rewarding of the day. There’s something about sitting down at a dining table that inspires good conversation, good manners and a warm feeling of security. Yet to most young married people today, the prospect of a separate dining room in the first apartment or house is about as remote as a swimming pool. Whether your dining space is in a corner of your living room, in an entrance hall, a living-kitchen or a glass-walled porch, it can (and should) be planned so that you feel as if you are actually crossing a threshold when you enter it. You can separate the dining area from the rest of the room visually by using a room-divider: an open-shelf storage unit placed at right angles to the wall; a split bamboo blind hung from floor to ceiling; a tiered wrought-iron plant stand; sheer curtains or a hand-woven blind hung on a ceiling track; a screen which is mirrored or covered in a shoji paper or trompe-l’oeil design. If you don’t feel the need of screening off your dining area or find there is no logical way to do it, you can set it off in other ways. One way is to underline it with an area rug. Another is to accent one wall with pictures, paint or wallpaper (a mural or a pattern that has definite vertical or horizontal lines). Since your dining area is also an entertaining center, there are three additional points to remember in planning it: 1. Mood. You can create a mood with lighting (candles; a big plastic bubble or brass lamp hung low over the table; or, in a foyer, a translucent ceiling). 2. Convenience. Make arrangements to have china, glasses and linen nearby to save steps and avoid confusion. 3. Flexibility. Choose versatile, small-scaled furniture. A drop leaf table like the one opposite begins as a dining table for two and expands to serve dinner for four (with the leaves raised) or for eight (with extra leaves inserted). The same table can also be used for games. Dining chairs should be comfortable enough to sit in from dinner through the last rubber of bridge. They should be interchangeable in the living or dining area so that you can use them when you have extra guests for tea or cocktails. Whatever kind of dining space you have, it’s the total effect, not the total space, that counts.

 HOW TO CREATE ENTERTAINING SPACE

Plan above shows how one room can be divided into a conversation area (1), dining area (2), serving area (3), study area (4). Arrangement leaves space for table to be opened out for parties. Extra chairs are near entrance and desk. Result opposite proves that a small dining area can be arranged to look like a separate room. Color scheme of golden yellows (inspired by Charles Baskerville painting) and a cerulean blue is a pleasant background for honey-toned birch contemporary furniture by Cushman. 

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BUFFET WITH BAR COMPARTMENT IS A SELF-CONTAINED SERVING CENTER.

Photographed at 60 Sutton Place S., N. Y.
The kitchen in your future

Start with a good kitchen and you’re on your way to success as a housewife and hostess

There’s more to planning your first kitchen than meets the eye. If you’re starting a new life in a new neighborhood, this will be the headquarters where you make your reputation as a good cook, hostess and budget manager. In the first year alone you’ll prepare over 1,000 meals and wash around 3 tons of dishes and, what is more important, the working habits you acquire are likely to be with you for the rest of your life (as we all know, it’s easier to make a habit than to break it). So plan your kitchen from the standpoint of convenience rather than convention. You will need a pleasant, inviting atmosphere for working, good lighting to eliminate eye fatigue, and equipment that conserves your time and energy. Statistics show that the preparation and cooking of meals and the clean-up afterward absorb most of the hours in a woman’s working day. So first try to visualize the kind of meals you’ll be preparing and the type of entertaining you’ll do. Then invest in labor-saving equipment that can think for you (a timer-controlled oven, a range with a time-or-temperature-controlled burner) or save your energy (an electric mixer, a washer-dryer, a refrigerator that makes ice and defrosts automatically). Organize your storage space so you have supplies and appliances where they will be needed, with shelves at the right height for your height, to cut down on the strain of stretching and stooping. Create a good psychological atmosphere for (Continued on the next page)

Opposite

Wood, steel and brass create a kitchen as hard-wearing as it is handsome

Every bride sets her heart on a dream kitchen, but her head tells her to think of the budget, too. Today, she can have the kitchen of her dreams (like the one shown here) by planning on a long-term basis. It’s a definite economy to buy good equipment that will last for many years. Here, the warm-toned wood cabinets (by Kitchen Maid) are sturdy as well as good looking. The stainless steel wall oven and cooking top (by Caloric) and the double sink (by Elkay) can stand up to the hardest wear. Because a really good kitchen should also please the eye and stimulate the imagination, accessories are dotted around the kitchen as color accents: a persimmon-colored saucepan, a mustard telephone, bright-handled kitchen tools. The laundry area, right, is at the far end of the kitchen from the cooking area (though near enough for preparation of meals and laundry to be carried on simultaneously). Barbecue equipment can be stored in laundry area cabinets close by the door to the terrace.
THE KITCHEN IN YOUR FUTURE, continued

Natural light, green plants, and a basket of fruit give the kitchen a garden air

(Continued) working by choosing pretty, colorful utensils and accessories that make cooking a positive pleasure. (Have you ever noticed how often your hand reaches for a bright-colored saucepan rather than a plain metal one?) Budget for necessities first and buy the best you can afford. (It is now possible to add equipment costs to an "open-end" mortgage loan and pay them off monthly with the cost of the house.) The kitchen shown here has many good ideas you might like to adopt. It was planned for a beginner housewife and based on research into the working requirements and personal preferences of the average American woman (two main features, a planning desk and a laundry area, come high on the list of most-wanted kitchen facilities). It's a primarily good-looking kitchen, the kind you'd like to invite your friends into. Cabinets and the matching mobile cart are made from warm-toned, fine-grain wood with brushed brass hardware. The cabinet doors have smooth beveled edges that won't trap dust. All basic equipment (built-in oven, cooking top and double sit-down sink) is stainless steel, an ideal material for a bride's kitchen because of its hard and long-wearing qualities and easy upkeep. Lighting plays an important role in the kitchen. By day, sunlight or daylight is softly filtered through the corrugated plastic roof. At night, a continuous fluorescent strip set into the central ceiling beams gives the same glare-free, all-over illumination. To supplement the central light, there are strip lights under each cabinet and the cooking-top hood. The pivot of the kitchen, a peninsula counter with a double sit-down sink where two people can work together, is conveniently located midway between the refrigerator and cooking area and the doors to dining room and terrace. From first to last, every feature of the kitchen has been planned for efficiency and convenience, as you will see in the detailed sketches on the opposite page.

Peninsula sit-down sink in the center of the kitchen is the pivot from which cooking operations flow. With the aid of the mobile cart, it is simple to prepare a quick meal or a late snack without retracing steps. Green plants by the window and above cooking area (humidity helps them flourish) add a fresh, cool look.

Good lighting is an aid to efficiency in this kitchen

Continuous fluorescent strip set into the central ceiling beams lights up the kitchen by night (this type of "cold" lighting can safely be used near wood). Shielded strip lights above each main work surface and under the brushed brass cooking-top hood, and a spotlight beamed at the desk supplement the overhead lighting and help to eliminate eye strain or mistakes when measuring, cooking, reading recipes, checking supplies.

Light-filtering roof is made from panels of corrugated translucent plastic. It diffuses shadowless, glare-free sunlight throughout the kitchen yet cuts down radiation of heat from the sun's rays. The plastic panels are lightweight, shatter-proof and stand up to temperature extremes.
Mobile cart is the bride's maid of all work. It rolls at a touch to wherever it is wanted, totes food from refrigerator to cooking area or utensils from kitchen to terrace in summer. Chopping-block top is perfect for preparing vegetables and meats. Double-sided storage space underneath holds most frequently used saucepans, appliances, kitchen tools.

Planning desk fits neatly under hinged section of the countertop. The underside of this section is covered with cork and acts as a bulletin board for marketing memos and menus, saves time when ordering groceries by phone. Desk top is covered with gunmetal laminated plastic to match countertops. Shelves above desk display cook books, and, for a decorative touch, the bride's prettiest casseroles.

Ironing board pulls out from space below countertops, adjusts for sit-down ironing. Laminated plastic countertop provides good surface for sprinkling clothes, stacking and checking laundry. Cabinets hold laundry supplies.

Laundry area has same wood cabinets and green and gray vinyl tile floor as kitchen, blends visually, although it can be closed off by a folding plastic door. It is equipped with an automatic washer-dryer, cabinets, ironing board.

*All shopping information, p. 179*
Complete Casserole Cook Book

Are you the kind of cook who would love to turn out a meal at short notice? Would you also like to be known among your friends for the good table you set? If so, you need a specialty which meets all occasions, from small sit-down dinner parties to large buffet suppers, and there's no better specialty than a good casserole dish. You can team a casserole with a salad, French bread, fresh fruit or an intriguing dessert and just the right wine (see guide on page 105). For informal entertaining, a casserole will wait on appetite if guests are late or the cocktail hour stretches on. Here are three tips for making a perfect casserole: choose fish or meat that can take long, slow cooking; crisp, fresh vegetables that won't lose texture; flavorings that enhance rather than dominate the dish. On the next three pages, you'll find 53 wonderful casserole recipes (one of them might become your specialty) from "Cyrano de Casserole," a forthcoming book by Ruth Chier Rosen, to be published by Richards Rosen Associates.
FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

CRABS TAMPAICO

1 lb crabmeat, cooked
1 onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
1 green pepper, chopped
2 T butter
1 T flour
1 can whole tomatoes
1 T chopped parsley or chives
1/2 t chili powder
Finch oregano
Salt and pepper
Crushed cornflakes
Bread

Sauté onion, garlic, green pepper in butter until golden. Stir in flour off the flame. Add tomatoes, stock, parsley, seasonings and simmer 20 minutes. Add crabmeat and pour into casserole. Sprinkle with crushed cornflakes and dot with bits of butter. Bake in moderate 350° oven for 15 minutes.

SHRIMP NEW ORLEANS

2 lbs cleaned, raw shrimp
1/2 c chopped onion
1/2 c chopped celery
1/2 c chopped green pepper
1/2 c sliced mushrooms
2 T butter
Salt and pepper
1 T chopped parsley
Dash paprika and sugar
Dash of Tabasco sauce, chili powder
1 large can whole tomatoes
1 small can tomato paste
1 small can water
1/4 c white wine

Sauté onions, celery, green pepper and mushrooms in butter with seasonings. Add tomatoes, paste and water. Place in casserole with shrimp. Bake in moderate 350° oven for 30 minutes adding 1/4 c white wine 10 minutes before serving.

CANTONESE BEEF

1 lb beef tenderloin
4 T oil
Salt and pepper
1 onion, chopped
1/4 c diced mushrooms
1/2 c chopped green peas
1 c snowpeas or green peas
1 c beef stock
2 T cornstarch
1/2 c cold water
2 T soy sauce
2 T chopped parsley

Cut beef into narrow strips against the grain. Stir-fry beef in oil until browned. Add salt, pepper, onion, diced mushrooms soaked in hot water for 1/2 hour, fresh mushrooms and peas. Add beef stock and simmer covered 10 minutes. Mix cornstarch cold water and soy sauce. Add to mixture and stir until smooth. Place in casserole and bake in moderate 350° oven 10 minutes. Top with chopped parsley. Serve with rice.

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CABBAGE KLEESE

KOULADEN

CASSEROLES WITH WINE

RAGOUT OF BEEF

2 lbs round steak
3 T butter
1/2 lb mushrooms
12 small white onions
6 carrots
1 clove mashed garlic
1 t tomato paste
2 T chopped parsley
Salt and pepper
1 T flour
1 q t red wine
1 c stock (if needed)

Cut steak into bite-sized portions and brown quickly in hot butter. Remove meat from pan and add onions, mushrooms and carrots. Add garlic, tomato paste, flour and parsley. Stir until smooth. Place meat, vegetables and seasonings in casserole and pour on wine to within one inch of top of meat. If more liquid is needed use stock. Cover and simmer until meat is tender; 1 1/2 to 2 hours.

COQ AU VIN

2 small frying chickens
2 T butter
2 T cognac
18 small pearl onions
1/2 lb mushrooms
1 bouillon cube
2 T flour
1 t tomato paste
1 c stock
3/4 c red wine
Salt and pepper

Clean and wash chickens well. Brown whole in hot butter. When well browned pour cognac over chicken and touch match to it. When finished burning, remove chicken from pan and brown mushrooms in butter with sauce. Add tomatoes, paste and water. Place in casserole and add all remaining ingredients except sour cream. Simmer in moderate 350° oven until tender.

CAPON MARENGO

1 capon, disjointed
1 clove garlic
Salt, pepper, paprika
1 lemon juice
Flour
4 T butter
4 T white wine
1 lb sliced mushrooms
1 small can tomato paste
1 can water
1 t sugar
1/4 t ginger
2 T chopped green olive
1 c sour cream

Clean, wash and disjoint capon. Rub with garlic, salt, pepper, paprika and lemon juice. Dust lightly with flour. Heat butter and brown chicken well. Add wine while browning. Place capon in casserole and add all remaining ingredients except sour cream. Simmer in moderate 350° oven until tender. Stir in sour cream 5 minutes before serving.

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**INDIVIDUAL CASSEROLES**

**SHRIMP PETIT POIS**

1 1/2 cooked shrimp
1/4 onion, chopped
1/2 clove garlic, minced
2 T butter
1 1/2 t flour
1/2 t dry mustard
1/2 t salt
Freshly ground pepper
1/4 t milk
1/4 t cream
1/4 lb Cheddar cheese, grated
1 T sherry

Simmer onion and garlic in butter until golden. Blend in flour and seasonings, off flame. Add milk and cream gradually. Stir over fire until thickened. Place mixture in individual casserole and top with grated cheese. Bake in moderate 350° oven for 10 minutes.

**DEVILED SHRIMP**

1 lb cooked shrimp
1/4 onion, chopped
1/2 clove garlic, minced
2 T butter
1 1/2 t flour
1/2 t dry mustard
1/2 t salt
Freshly ground pepper
1/4 t milk
1/4 t cream
1/4 lb Cheddar cheese, grated
1 T sherry

Sprinkle broilers with salt, pepper and paprika. Brown in hot fat. Combine other ingredients except cheese. Place in buttered individual casserole and top with grated cheese. Bake 45 minutes in moderate 350° oven.

**CRABMEAT GEORGE V**

1 12-oz pkg wide green noodles
1 c crabmeat
Salt and pepper
1/4 t monosodium glutamate
1 T tarragon
1 T sherry
2 T cream sauce
Grated cheese

Boil noodles in salted water until tender. Rinse with cold water and drain. Add all ingredients except cheese. Place in buttered individual casserole and top with grated cheese. Bake 45 minutes in moderate 350° oven.

**EGGPLANT EXTRAORDINAIRE**

2 onions
1/4 c fat
1 lb chopped beef
1 lb oz can tomato sauce
1 c hot water
2 t salt
Pepper
1/4 t sugar
1 large eggplant
4 T salad oil


**BAKED SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS**

1 lb chopped beef
1 garlic salt
2 T onion, grated
1/2 t pepper
1/2 c cold water
3 T olive oil
2 onions, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
2 T red wine
1 small can tomato paste
1 can whole plum tomatoes
1 small can water
1 T chopped parsley
Salt, pepper, paprika
Dash ginger
1 t oregano
1 t sugar
1 pkg spaghetti
Grated Parmesan cheese

Combine beef, garlic salt, chopped onion, pepper and cold water. Make small meat balls. Sauté chopped onion and garlic in oil. When golden add meat balls and sauté adding red wine until browned. Remove meat and add rest of ingredients, in order indicated except spaghetti. Simmer 2 hours. Put meat balls in sauce and place in individual casserole. Bake in hot oven for 30 minutes.

**BEEF CORDON BLEU**

1 lb chopped beef
1/2 lb sliced ham
1/2 c milk
1/4 c flour
1/4 t dry mustard
1/8 t salt

Mix all ingredients except cream cheese. Pour in individual casserole and bake 30 minutes.

**FREEZER CASSEROLES**

**CHICKEN PAPRIKA**

4 lb chicken, disjointed
2 T fat
1 t salt
1/2 t pepper
2 t paprika
2 c chicken stock
2 T flour
2 T cornstarch
1 T Worcestershire sauce
1 T parsley or chives

Make stock by boiling chicken giblets and neck. Clean, wash and disjoint chicken. Brown chicken in hot fat. Sprinkle with seasonings. Place in casserole and pour stock over it. Cover and bake in moderate 350° oven for 1 1/2 hours, until tender. Mix flour and water and stir into gravy pan in which chicken was browned. Cook until thickened, stirring to keep smooth. Add sour cream and heat through. Pour over chicken and keep in oven 5 minutes. To freeze, follow previous instructions. Serve sprinkled with parsley or chives.

**SAVORY CHICKEN**

2 small broilers, disjointed
Salt, pepper, paprika
1 clove garlic
Butter
3 T cornstarch
1 c vinegar
1 c sugar
Dash Tabasco sauce
1 T Worcestershire sauce
1 T prepared mustard
2 green peppers
1 red pepper
1 large can pineapple chunks

Sprinkle broilers with salt, pepper and paprika and rub with garlic. Brown in hot butter. Combine cornstarch and vinegar and cook with sugar until clear. Add Tabasco, Worcestershire, mustard, green and red peppers cut in large pieces. Add pineapple chunks and juice. Pour over chicken in a casserole and bake 30-40 minutes at 350°. To freeze for later use, follow instructions given in first freezer recipe.
QUICK CASSEROLES

POULET MACEDOINE

2 c cooked chicken
2 T chopped green pepper
1/4 c julienne carrots
1/4 c French-cut string beans
Salt and pepper
1/4 t thyme
1 can condensed celery soup
Milk
1 c croutons

Combine chicken, vegetables, seasonings and cover with soup thinned with milk to desired consistency. Place in casserole and top with croutons. Bake in moderate 350° oven 20 minutes.

PORCUPINES

1 1/2 lb ground beef
1/2 t garlic salt
1 T chopped parsley
1/2 t pepper
1/2 t salt
Dash ginger
1/2 c cold water
1 T grated onion
1 raw rice
1 can condensed tomato soup
1/2 c can milk

Mix beef, seasonings, water, onion and raw rice. Form balls and place in casserole. Thin soup with milk and pour over meat balls. Bake in moderate 350° oven 30 minutes until rice is tender.

SHORECREST LIVERS

1 lb chicken livers
1/2 lb mushrooms
Butter
1 can condensed mushroom soup
1/2 c milk
1/2 c parboiled rice
2 T chopped parsley
2 T shredded almonds

Sauté cleaned and washed livers and mushrooms in butter. Place in casserole with soup thinned with milk, rice, parsley. Bake in moderate 350° oven for 10 to 15 minutes. Serve topped with shredded almonds.

HAWAIIAN HAM

1 1/2 inch slice precooked ham
1 small can crushed pineapple
2 T brown sugar

Place ham slice in casserole with pineapple and juice sprinkled with brown sugar. Bake in 300° oven for 1 hour. Serve with sweet potatoes.

JEFFY CASSEROLE

2 T butter
3 peeled fresh tomatoes
Salt and pepper
1 pkg spaghetti, uncooked
1 T oregano
1 T sugar

Dot bottom of 2 1/2"-high casserole with butter. Place pieces of tomato on bottom, covering with layer of spaghetti. Repeat with second layer of tomatoes, spaghetti, and seasonings. Dot top with tomatoes. Bake in 350° oven 25-30 min.

TUNA FESTIVE

1 large can tuna fish
1 12-oz pkg broad noodles
2 T chili sauce
1 can condensed mushroom soup
3 T pimiento strips
2 T chopped chives

Boil noodles until tender and rinse in cold water. Drain well. Drain can of tuna and rinse in boiling water. Drain well. Place tuna and noodles in casserole. Mix mushroom soup and chili with pimiento strips. Pour over tuna and noodles. Bake in 350° oven 15 min. Top with chopped chives.

ACTOR CASSEROLE

2 c baked ham cubes
1 pkg vermicelli
3 T grated onion
1 T caraway seeds
1/2 c grated Parmesan cheese
1 can condensed pea soup

Mix all ingredients in order given and place in large casserole. Bake in moderate 350° oven 20 minutes. Serve hot.

SALMON RAMEKINS AU GRATIN

1 can salmon
1 can condensed mushroom soup
Milk
1 T chopped onion
1 T chopped green olives
Salt and pepper
1/4 c grated cheese
4 toast slices

Place slice of toast in each ramekin and top with layer of salmon, 3 T soup thinned with milk to desired consistency and mixed with onions, olives and seasonings. Top with grated cheese and bake in hot oven until mixture is hot and cheese is melted.

SWEETBREADS SUPREME

1 lb. sweetbreads, parboiled
4 slices boiled ham
4 slices toast
Flour
Salt and pepper
2 T butter
1 c condensed mushroom soup
1/2 c milk

Fry ham on both sides, Slice, flour and season sweetbreads. Brown in butter. Place toast, ham and sweetbreads in buttered casserole and top with soup thinned with milk. Heat in 350° oven 10 min.

CLAMS PHILONEMA

1 small can minced clams (drained)
1 can crabmeat
1/4 c bread crumbs
1/4 c crushed cornflakes
1 T oregano
2 T chopped parsley
1/2 c tomato sauce
1/4 c sour cream
2 T grated Parmesan cheese

Combine all ingredients and place in buttered casserole, topping with the cheese. Bake in 350° oven for 10 min.
Every good casserole deserves a silver dish

A ragout, rouladen or delicious lobster Cantonese (see recipes, pp. 115-116) whose flavor is improved by gentle simmering, could be prepared in a silver-plated chafing dish. This 3-qt. size is a perfect companion for large buffets. *An Heirloom "700" design by Oneida Ltd. Silversmiths.*

A silver-plated pie server with removable glass liner is just as useful for serving Hawaiian ham and pineapple, chicken or turkey hash. *Friedman.*

Keep punch cold, soups hot in a silver-plated ice bucket, 2-quart vacuum liner. *Heirloom "700" design, Oneida Ltd. Silversmiths.*

A black ceramic casserole bowl with sterling silver tray and cover to keep food hot, makes a handsome serving piece for buffets. *By Towle.*

This silver-plated stand extends to fit any size or shape of casserole to suit your needs. Made in Sheffield, England. *From Eisenberg-Lozano.*

Sterling silver trivet with raised loop design gives an extra fillip to your table, sets off a casserole or dishes to accompany it. *By Towle.*
If you are a young cook with modest pride in turning out a few good dishes, or if you are a seasoned gourmet with many specialties, one maxim is true: the food you prepare for family or friends is only as appetizing as the way you present it. To make even the simplest casserole a social event, serve it hospitably from a shining silver-plated vegetable dish or in a silver covered casserole. Your favorite recipe can be assembled and cooked in the removable Pyrex glass liner; then served savory-hot in the silver piece. Coming straight to the table from the oven, it retains heat long enough for second helpings. You might also add a convenient warming stand for the plates, coffee pot or hot rolls to accompany a casserole buffet.

A liver-and-mushroom or tuna fish casserole would look especially appetizing in this modern Scandinavian dish with removable teak-wood handle. Silver-plate, 7" diameter. From Eisenberg-Lozano.

Covered dish with hot-water compartment makes ideal server for muffins. Or use it with baked bean casseroles to keep bread moist and warm. Silver-plate, 9" square. Community, by Oneida Ltd. Silversmiths.

Versatile for everyday or party serving is a silver-plated casserole with removable glass liner. Use it for capon Marengo or for dessert dishes such as hot fruit compote. Sheffield Silver, made in U.S.A.

Hot, crusty French bread with garlic butter stays crisp and warm on an aluminum hot plate; silver-plated stand. Reed & Barton.

Silver-plated warming stand is just the right size for coffee or tea pot. Eisenberg-Lozano.
Thousands of young marrieds will extend their latchkeys to overnight guests this year, on an average of once or twice monthly. On this and the following five pages are six different types of beds-in-disguise which enable you to turn a living room, study or recreation room into an extra bedroom.

How to make any room an extra guest room

SOFÁ QUE DUERME
AS WELL AS IT LOOKS
Sleeper sofa with brass mesh insets is a decorative asset to any contemporary living room. That it doubles as a bed is just another point in its favor. The frame is 82" long, the foam-rubber cushion 30" wide. Slanting arm makes an ideal headboard for bedtime reading. By M. Singer & Sons.
One of the true pleasures of hospitality is having friends or relatives come to stay for a nice long visit or putting up an overnight guest at a moment’s notice. But as we all know, the extra guest room has become a luxury of the past. Today’s main living problem is how to allot space where it will be most useful, and the infrequently needed guest room has given way to the more essential family room or TV-music room. How then can you make a guest not only welcome but comfortable? The answer lies in your own ingenuity and good planning and the versatile sleep-and-sit furniture that lets every room double as a bedroom. Today’s beds-in-disguise blend with any room scheme and fit into any space. They are designed to prove that a bed doesn’t have to look like a bed to be comfortable. If you study these pages (and the next four), you’ll be able to judge all types of double-purpose beds, from a luxurious convertible sofa or a tailored sleeper (contemporary version of the daybed) to a small chairbed, and decide which best suits your requirements. Then think of the other home comforts that make a guest feel relaxed (you might start by visualizing your own bedroom and deciding what you’d be lost without). A bedside table is an absolute necessity and it should be roomy enough to hold a good reading lamp, an ash tray, carafe of water, books and other bedtime essentials. Organize a certain amount of nearby closet and drawer space to dispel that living-out-of-a-suitcase feeling. And if you can, plan so that your extra bedroom is out of the way of family traffic and morning noise. It is this kind of consideration and thoughtfulness that will make your guests feel at home.

CONVERTIBLE SOFA WORKS AROUND THE CLOCK

Convertible sofa with textured upholstery is a useful piece of furniture for a family. When the foam-rubber sofa cushions are removed at night, it opens into an equally comfortable double bed for a guest. Closed, the sofa measures 76” long x 38½” deep x 31” high. By Sealy.

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AN EXTRA GUEST ROOM  continued

TRIM AND TAILORED BY DAY,
A COMFORTABLE BED AT NIGHT

When your study must double as an extra bedroom, a single-sleeper such as the one at left plays its stand-in role to perfection. The full 30" by 75" foam rubber mattress and rubberized hair bolsters, by Charles P. Rogers, are set on an iron frame by Harvard. Mattress and bolsters can be zipper-covered in a washable fabric (we show a bold, striped poplin) for easy upkeep and good looks. In its nighttime role, shown opposite, the single-sleeper is made up for an overnight guest. "Confetti" sheets, Dan River Mills, Blanket, Chatham. Furniture from Hadleigh, Inc. Shopping information, page 179.

All rooms were photographed at 60 Sutton Place South, New York, N. Y.

Leonard
DAYTIME SITTING ROOM BECOMES AN EXTRA BEDROOM

If you have a small room that must also serve as a guest room, a studio couch is an excellent solution. Box spring and innerspring mattress, above and opposite, requires less space than a single bed (it is a new, narrower 34" by 74½" size) yet is large enough for an adult to sleep on in comfort. Bed, Serta. Bates “African Violet” sheets; Springfield blanket. Other furniture, accessories, at Bonnier’s.

LIVING ROOM SOFA DOUBLES ITS USE WHEN THERE'S A GUEST IN THE HOUSE

A Lawson sofa, at home with almost any type of decoration, doubles its value when it serves as a bed as well as a couch. The one above, upholstered in a handsome tweedy fabric, jack-knifes to a sofa-bed for occasional overnight guests. A concealed box for storage of blankets and pillows pulls out from below. By Sylon Management Associates. At extreme top, it is shown made up as a three-quarter bed. Blanket and “Morning Glory” sheets by Fieldcrest. Other furniture in the room is from Doris Desauer.
AN EXTRA GUEST ROOM continued

CHAIR TURNS INTO A BED

If you're an apartment dweller, the sleep chair above will accommodate an overnight guest. Back opens to form two of the three sections that make the mattress. By Restonic.

SOFA DIVIDES INTO TWO BEDS

If you have a large living room, and no guest room, the Hide-A-Bed opposite will serve a double purpose. This large and luxurious convertible sofa (upholstered in a handsome nubby texture) opens out into two single beds, each 33" wide (shown right). Closed during the day, the sofa measures 98" long x 36" deep to give ample seating space in a large room (or invites you to stretch out and read or watch TV). Available with either a Deepsleep or Beautyrest mattress, the "Ambassador" Hide-A-Bed is by Simmons. It is shown here in a room setting arranged by John B. Wisner, A.I.D. Chinese panels provide a subtle background.

CONVERSATION AREA BECOMES GUEST ROOM

A daytime conversation grouping (two corner sections with a table between) can be swiftly converted to sleep overnight guests. Each sectional extends to make a 74" long, 30½" wide bed with foam rubber mattress, as seen at right and in sketch below. "Turn-A-Bed" sections by Elmer I. Klein Co.
Young collectors everywhere are setting new highs in record sales of folk music, show tunes, contemporary jazz and bearded classics. Prominent on their book shelves are first editions of modern poets and tracts on Americana. Here are decorative ways to house these collections so that you can use and enjoy them daily.

What you should know about collecting books and records

The popularity of the one-story house in America has had a direct effect on today’s libraries. Not long ago newly marrieds were apt to receive a whole set of “the classics” as a wedding present. These starter sets of Hardy, Kipling, Browning, Emerson, Mark Twain, Thackeray, Trollope, Dickens, et al, range from five to twenty-five volumes or so. As many as 125 sets might be ordered from a bookseller for Christmas or wedding gifts. Today the custom of giving “classic” sets has fallen off sharply in ratio to limited living space. The average library, once a sanctum sanctorum like the “music room,” is now capsuled into room divider shelves in city apartments, or a storage wall combining book, record, album collections with high fidelity installation, TV screen and a bar shelf in suburban homes. This is a healthy trend. It has sharpened reading tastes, whetted the appetite for one choice book in place of twenty, focused more respect on recordings, heightened musical discernment. Here to stay is the “small space” library which young people are creating as a cultural center in their homes.

The taste for book collecting, whether you own a few modern firsts, or search for pioneer pamphlets on Americana, is a heady one. It is a lifetime hobby for beginners who know what they want but don’t know where to find it, and doubt that they could afford it. To clear up these perplexities we stopped in not long ago at Scribner’s Rare Book Dept., queried Mr. David A. Randall

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BEDROOM BOOKSHELVES FOR LEISURE TIME READING

Here the calm mood of a book collection of mellow bindings, first editions, fills a bedroom wall at easy point of use. The unit can be built to include a display shelf for accessories above headboard, with concealed, even light for reading. High fidelity equipment and speaker could be placed in low cabinets and conveniently within arm's reach.

COMPLETE MUSIC UNIT IN A ROOM CORNER

Location of complete hi-fi unit in a wall corner is excellent for sound and viewing, allows major wall areas to be used for book collections. Installation fits in small space with amplifier above. TV screen, radio tuner, record player at counter height. Metal filing cabinets, below, hold records, albums. Unit can be concealed by doors or folding screen.

WINDOW WALL WITH DESK, MUSIC, BOOKS

Window wall of a study is framed by bookshelves for easy reference, built-in speaker for music and relaxation. Unit includes desk with well-lighted writing counter, radiator concealed behind metal grille, adjoining cabinet for record storage. Radio, player can be placed in cabinet nearest sitting area. Plan helps unify most types of window wall.

COMBINATION MUSIC AND BAR WALL

If you already have a complete record player-radio unit here is a way to build it in as part of combination bar unit. Use metal filing cabinet to store records, albums, trays for bar equipment. Center sections hold bottle storage racks, shaker, blenders. Wall cabinets with sliding hardboard doors hold glasses. Counter is colorful, laminated plastic.
All over the U.S.A., young people are taking a lively interest in the arts. Proof of this is the increased sale of art books (last year Skira sold 150,000 priced between $20-25), color reproductions of famous paintings (in one year, New York's Museum of Modern Art sold 20,553) and art supplies (the demand has increased 100% in two years). Whether as a source of pleasure to the eye or stimulus to the mind (art is among the top 10 hobbies), art today is within the reach of every one of us.

The right way to frame and hang pictures

If it were possible to see your picture framed half a dozen different ways, you could probably tell at a glance which frame does the most for it. But when you are confronted with samples of mats and chevrons of wood representing various types and sizes of frame, it is hard to imagine how your picture will look when it is actually made up. A reliable framemaker will be able to suggest good combinations, but you will be better equipped to make the final decision if you know something about the art of framing.

According to Henry Heydernyk, fourth-generation framemaker whose “Right and Wrong” exhibitions of framing are touring the country, too many people stick to old-fashioned standard rules. They believe that all oils should be enclosed in gilded frames; that you should always give a wide berth to water colors, surrounding them with mats and putting them under glass; that every black and white drawing or graphic print without exception belongs in a little black frame with a white mat. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Every picture (oil, water color, gouache, drawing, woodcut, etching or lithograph) is an individual case. Some water colors are as strong in color and composition as oils and can be framed in a similar fashion without a mat. By the same token, there are delicate-textured oils that need the kind of breathing space a mat supplies. Your selection of mat and frame should be influenced by the design and the weight (scale of the composition and strength of the colors) of the picture. This is true no matter what kind of a picture you are framing.

If a picture has small, intricate details, your frame might have small details to (Continued on page 194)
If you have a serving pantry that is always a popular gathering place when you entertain, it's a good idea to decorate it with a number of small pictures, grouped together where they can be enjoyed at close range.

If you want to fill in a wall over low chests or a console, a mixture of paintings and sculpture is more interesting than the usual mirror and candelabra. Mrs. Gertrude Lenart mixes all mediums (oil, collage, drawing, sculpture).

If you have a study or corner of your living room set aside for reading, you can create an intimate mood by hanging pictures low and off-center as was done here. Decorator, Henriette Granville.

If you have a recessed wall over your sink or flower-arranging center, line it with flower prints or water colors. Mat them alike, mount them with strips of wood, as Mrs. Edgar B. Stern has done.

If there is one important wall that you see immediately upon entering or leaving your living room, turn it into a focal point with a striking group of drawings. This is the home of Peruvian decorator Alex Charliza.

If you live in a modern glass-walled house with little free wall space for pictures, you might adapt an idea of architect Philip C. Johnson and use a large canvas (here a Poussin) as a room-divider.
Your choice of mat and frame is just as important as your choice of a picture.

If you think enough of a picture to buy it, you should be willing to pay particular attention to the choice of mat and frame. Here are some unusual suggestions for materials and mats designed by various art galleries in New York.

**FAR GALLERY**
Eight water colors in one frame with gold paper mat.

**DELIUS GALLERY**
Simple still life by Morandi calls for plain wood frame, narrow gray linen mat with gold insert.

**DELIUS GALLERY**
Stronger still life by Braque can take a heavier, carved gold frame, wider white linen mat with gold insert.

**HOUSE OF HEYDENRYK**
Warm-toned frame, wood insert painted with gesso bring out brownish-grays of Piranesi print.

**EDWIN HEWITT GALLERY**
Frame of George Tooker’s trompe l’oeil painting is inconspicuous to preserve the realistic look of open cupboards.

**FAR GALLERY**
Airy balloon print requires no mat or insert, only a 2" deep flat wood frame.

**INTERNATIONAL GRAPHIC ARTS SOCIETY**
Bold black and white woodcut by Michael Train is set off by raised silver insert, wide rough wood frame.

**KNOEDLER ART GALLERIES**
White mat gives Matisse lithograph room to expand. Frame is simple, made of natural wood.
Choosing fabrics is fast becoming a national pastime, more exciting than baseball, more rewarding than a grand slam at bridge. Proof of this is the 600 million yards of fabrics that were bought last year for U.S. homes.

How to choose and use the new fabrics

When you stop to think about it, the traditional "woman's touch" in the home is just a way with fabric. Women are accustomed to creating impressions. They know there is magic in a colorful pattern. Here are a few key words that will help you to recognize the right design for you and to make the most of it in your home. Scale: If your room is small, choose a pattern that is relatively small in scale. If you are curtaining a large window-wall or bay window, you can use a more spectacular pattern so long as it doesn't overpower the rest of the room. Use: If your room is small don't smother it with too much pattern. Slipcover a pair of sofas in a printed material and repeat one color of the print in your curtains or on the seats of pull-up chairs. (The same rule applies in reverse, if you begin with printed curtains.) If your room is large enough to accommodate pattern both at the windows and on the furniture, you'll find that two different weights of material (one sheer, one slipcover weight) printed in the same design will add variety to the scheme. Contrast: Some of the freshest room schemes result from mixing periods in fabrics and furniture. A toile de Jouy will give character to a room with simple contemporary furniture. A modern geometric pattern will inject new life into a traditional room. Feeling: Like the pictures on your wall, the subject matter of your printed fabrics should be appropriate for the rooms in which they are used. A small-scaled chintz with country feeling would be more at home in a small room than in a very large area. An open, airy pattern that suggests the outdoors would be splendid on the window-wall of a suburban house. Serviceability: Many of today's fabrics fool the eye. Those which look and feel the most fragile are often as tough as tweed and twice as easy to care for. Here again, your choice should be governed by how and where you plan to use the material. If you are curtaining a window-wall, for example, you will want a fabric that will withstand exposure to sunlight and keep a straight hemline after many a cleaning. Fortunately for home decorators, this is the age of miracles by-the-yard.
HOW TO CHOOSE FABRICS

continued

SCANDINAVIAN MOTIF in a small scale with the cool, crisp look of the north countries is a good choice for a small, sunny room. Printed on heavy cotton, it lends itself to informal café curtains. In dining room, left, walls and chair seats echo the pink of the curtains. Pair of chests are painted to harmonize with the scheme.

The right pattern, used the right way, makes all the difference in your rooms

One of the best ways to get professional results when you decorate your home is to start with a well-scaled printed fabric. It can set the mood, suggest the color scheme and inject the necessary warmth and life into your room. Choosing a pattern is part emotion and part reason. You may be attracted to a certain shape (like the Scandinavian motif above) or a scene (French châteaux below) or an arrangement (tooled-leather block design below). Once you have narrowed your field of choice, you have to judge the design for size, spacing and coloring to be sure that you will be happy with it at home. The printed fabrics on this page, while quite different in design, are all ideal for small rooms. Each inspired the color scheme of the room in which it is used. The fabrics are from Waverly's "Round the World" collection of heavy cotton (48" wide, 82 yard), antique satin (48" wide, $3 yard) and spun-rayon sheer (48" wide, $2.50 yard). The materials are vat dyed, which means that the color will last as long as the fabric itself.

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Above, toile; below, tooled-leather motif

FRENCH-INSPIRED TOILE (left, top) and Italian tooled-leather design (bottom) are alternate solutions for slip covers in the contemporary living room above. The pictorial pattern is a new version of the toile de Jouy on heavy cotton. Instead of being used in the traditional way (throughout a room, even on the walls), it is used only on a pair of sofas. Tooled-leather design comes in heavy cotton or spun-rayon sheer.
TWO DECORATING SCHEMES
BASED ON PRINTED SHEERS

On this page, you see two versions of the same printed sheer, one with blue and green predominating, the other pink and gray. You can use either of these curtain fabrics as a basis for a decorating scheme for living room, dining room or bedroom.

Above: For a cool, clear color scheme, mix blue and green. Turquoise blue antique satin is used on lounge chair, piping of bedspread and bolster. Bed pillows, chair seat, rug are chartreuse.

Left: For a warm, vivid room scheme, mix shades of pink with charcoal gray. Visualize curtains in the pink and gray print; a charcoal and pink tweed on the lounge chair; deep pink antique satin on desk chair, bed pillows and piping of bedspread. Use a white area rug.

Fabrics by Waverly.
Furniture by Heywood-Wakefield.
Flooring by Sloane-Delaware.
SUMMERY SHEER CURTAINS TURN A COLD GLASS WALL INTO A GARDEN
New sheer curtains work miracles for your windows

The popular attitude toward curtains is changing, and for a very practical reason. Today's window-walls and corner windows are supposed to make rooms look larger, lighter and airier, so they require curtains that are lighter and airier, too. That's why you are beginning to see more sheer unlined curtains, hung high, wide and handsome without benefit of valance or draperies. On these two pages are the newest ninnon sheers, the first to be woven entirely of Fortisan (a man-made fiber by Celanese) and printed in a variety of intriguing patterns. Because of the fiber's exceptional strength, these sheers are as different from the limp gauzes of yesterday as the window-wall from the casement window. They are soft and luminous, but have high resistance to damage from sun, and won't gain or lose an inch in length when you have them cleaned. The more window space you have to curtain, the bigger the problem and the greater the need for choosing material that has both beauty and durability.

CORNER WINDOW carries great weight in a decorating scheme. Curtaining a large expanse of glass such as this, you should choose a type of printed fabric that will stand up to the sun by day, hold your interest at night. Here, we have used a Fortisan sheer with classical motif in contemporary colors (#3).

TRADITIONAL WINDOWS can be made to serve as decorative panels in a small bedroom. Choose a transparent material such as this printed sheer (#2), which has a lightweight feeling. Because of the scale and coloring of the design, you don't need any other pattern, not even a picture over the bed.

Opposite

HERE ARE THE NEWEST MIRACLE SHEERS, BOTH PATTERNED AND PLAIN

2. "Snowflake" is a finely drawn floral by S. M. Hexter.
3. "Ruins" has the look of a water color painted on the Appian Way, Stroheim & Romann.
4. Soft green sheer is one of 10 solid-color ninnon fabrics by Lehman-Connor.

These fabrics range in price from $2.65 (for solid colors) to $7.15 a yard. They are 48" wide, do not have to be lined. The printed ones should be dry-cleaned unless labeled to the contrary. You can wash the solid-color Fortisan sheers (by hand) and iron them damp at the rayon or cotton setting on your iron, pressing warp-wise (up and down).
More than 1,250,000 houses will be built this year, and every family who builds or buys will be making a major financial investment. How do you get your money's worth? What makes a good small house? Here and on the next 2 pages are the answers, illustrated by House & Garden's own design for a good small house, planned from the inside out with a choice of exteriors: one Colonial, one modern.

How to plan a good small house

Anyone who has ever tried to plan a good small house knows that it is not easy. There is no space to waste, no margin for error. But there is a list of necessities as long as the list of guests you invited to your wedding. There is also a list of highly desirable luxuries—for example, a dressing room adjoining the master bedroom. One thing conflicts with another, and there you sit, in the middle, counting your costs per square foot. You like both chocolate and vanilla. You want a family gathering spot for the happy pursuit of hobbies, and a big, quiet living room apart from the turmoil. You have heard that long halls waste space, but without them you can't see how you are going to get from one room to another. You know you need storage space, and time- and labor-saving equipment. You know you have to be practical. You also want grace and beauty and all the intangibles that make a house a delight. How are you going to resolve the conflicts? Where do you start? What are the yardsticks for measuring a good small house?

House & Garden has just finished coping with all these problems. The result is our own design for a good small house, shown here and on the next two pages. It was planned the way all good houses are, from the inside out. The floor plan came first. We tried dozens of different ideas, cut off a foot here and added a foot there, moved a door or enlarged a window, balanced one value against another. Then we designed two different exteriors, one Colonial and the other modern, to wrap around our basic floor plan. Finally, we analyzed our house, and herewith report to you why it measures up.

Floor Plan. It is not so much the amount of space (in this case, 1,860 square feet), but how it is divided up that counts.

Because nothing so advertises a too-small house as opening the front door and finding yourself smack in the living room, we allowed for a big enough entrance hall to serve as a kind of reception area. It also links garage to house, and takes all traffic out of the living room. To the right is the living room, serene and quiet and completely apart from the daily hustle and bustle. To the left, in the center of the house, is the center of activity: the kitchen and family room, with a pass-through between and a snack bar on the family room side. This makes it easy to see and hear children at play, and to serve them any number of meals and snacks with minimum steps. The bedroom wing is (Continued on page 138)
**COLONIAL EXTERIOR**

*COLONIAL EXTERIOR* is citron yellow clapboard with white trim, roof of natural wood cedar shingles, traditional paneled windows, pergola for climbing vines. Like the modern version below, it forms an L around a big living terrace. House should be built on the east side of street, at left side of lot; then garage shields it on cold north side, and main rooms face terrace on sunny south side.

**MODERN EXTERIOR**

*MODERN EXTERIOR* has completely different exterior styling and materials. The walls are vertical board siding (cedar, or redwood or cypress), trim is white and built-up roof is of white marble chips to reflect hot sun. Flat-roofed carport and louvered fences are modern, as are the windows. Window-wall opens living room to terrace; master bedroom has a ceiling-high gable window facing south.
(Continued) arranged so that the children's rooms are next to the family room, and the master bedroom is a quiet, dead-end retreat at the far end. In order to get two bathrooms without disturbing the layout of the bedroom wing, we settled for one inside bathroom with a skylight in the ceiling.

As for waste hall space, there is none; every bit of it also serves a living purpose. For example, the bedroom hall doubles as a laundry, with automatic washer-dryer in a closet in one wall, and pull-out shelf for sorting linens in the opposite wall.

SIZE AND FLEXIBILITY OF ROOMS. Two ways to give a small house the spacious feeling of a larger house are to plan for one really large room, and to plan flexibly for double-duty use of space.

The living-dining room is 18' x 26', which by any standard is both big and well-proportioned. This one really large room helps make the house seem luxurious. The family room is 12' x 16', big enough for hobbies, play, family fun, snacks and lunches. Notice that instead of a long hall and a smaller family room opening off it, the family room is the full width of this part of the house. The master bedroom is 12' x 16' 6", long enough so one end, off the terrace, can double as a sitting room. In the modern version of our house, the two smaller bedrooms are divided by an accordion wall that can be pushed back to make one large room.

STORAGE SPACE AND MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT. In a small house, where there is no "spare room" in which to put the trappings and impedimenta of family life, you need exceptionally good storage space. You also need time- and labor-saving equipment, to take the place of the full-time maid you probably don't have. In both respects, this house measures up.

The storage space is planned for specific items, and strategically located where it is most useful. For example, at the rear of the carport or garage are two 10' 6"-long storage walls for garden tools, children's bikes and scooters, and terrace furniture. In the master dressing room two closet walls provide 14' of wardrobe closet space, and in the master bathroom there is a 10'-long counter with drawers and cabinets built in beneath. There is a 7'-long clothes closet in each of the other bedrooms. The family room has an 11'-long storage wall for TV, games, card tables, miscellany. In the living room, built in on either side of the fireplace, are radio, record-player, record-storage cabinet and bookshelves.

The kitchen equipment planned for this house is the best and newest. Built into the wall of the cooking side of the kitchen are two ovens and a 7' work counter with surface burner units. Opposite, arranged in a U, are refrigerator-freezer, sink and pull-out dishwasher, and pass-through. There are 8' of counter and wall storage cabinets on either side of the U. Such equipment makes small-housekeeping a pleasure.

RELATION OF HOUSE TO SITE. All good houses are planned to make the most of their lots; in the case of a small house, this is especially important because it adds to a sense of spaciousness.

This house is oriented to the desirable southern exposure. The living room, family room and master bedroom have big windows facing the (Continued on page 164)
19 reasons why this is an exceptionally good small house

1. Garden storage
2. Household storage
3. Plant bed
4. Sand box
5. Accordion door
6. TV storage wall
7. Laundry washer-dryer
8. Heater
9. Laundry shelf
10. Snack bar—pass-through
11. Ovens
12. Refrigerator-freezer
13. Coat
14. Music, books
15. Outdoor eating
16. Tree
17. Trellis
18. Pool
19. Carport

FLOOR PLAN is arranged both for privacy and for easy circulation. Master bedroom and living room are for adult privacy; they are dead-end rooms, free of traffic. Kitchen has pass-through and snack bar (10) to link it to family room; easy circulation between these two rooms and children's room is logical. HALL SPACE is doubly useful. Bedroom hall includes heater room (8) and washer-dryer compartment (7); in traditional version, there is also a pullout shelf (9) for sorting linens. The family room doubles as passageway between kitchen and bedroom wing. LUXURIOUS, LARGE-HOUSE features include 18' x 26' living room, master bath-dressing room, pleasant entrance hall with plant bed (3). AN ACCORDION WALL (5) in the modern plan makes it easy to convert the two smaller bedrooms into one large room. This is for flexibility. STORAGE SPACE is exceptional. Besides coat (13) and clothes closets, and kitchen cupboards, note these: In family room, a storage wall (6) for TV, games, card tables. In the living room, built-in cabinets and shelves (14) for radio, record-player, records, books. At back of garage, storage rooms (1 and 2) for garden tools, outdoor equipment. KITCHEN is efficiently divided: the cooking wall has built-in ovens (11) and countertop burners; the U-shape work center is opposite, has refrigerator-freezer (12), sink and pull-out dishwasher, pass-through to bar (10). OUTDOOR PLANTING can be enjoyed from indoors, too. Big windows and doors open main rooms to south terrace. TWO TERRACES extend the living space outside the house. Children's play area has a sand box (4). Terrace has a dining table (15) near the kitchen, a decorative shade tree (36), and a reflecting pool (38). FOR PRIVACY FROM STREET, traditional terrace is screened by vine-covered pergola (17); modern version is screened by louvered fence and planting.
LIVING ROOM is large and luxurious and, with its sliding glass wall open, extends to the outdoor terrace. Ample closet space is supplied by the storage walls (see picture below) which divide this area from the dining-family room. Books are at hand, in the built-in bookshelves. The big outdoor terrace is paved with concrete, has a high fence and tall trees and plants to wall it off in privacy; in the center of its floor is a sunken fire pit. The living room has soft, fluffy carpeting and interesting, comfortable furniture, some modern and some traditional.

FROM LIVING ROOM CORNER you can see the skylight in center of roof. It is above the dining room, on the other side of cabinets that form wall. Notice how tall plants reach up toward the sky.
House with a floor plan you can change to suit your needs

- The inside walls of this house are high storage cabinets on rollers. You arrange them to create your own floor plan, with as many rooms as you need.
- This idea cuts costs to a minimum: $10 per square foot.
- The center of the roof is a skylight of sliding glass panels that open and close automatically. It floods the house with natural daylight; and provides private indoor garden room.

Here is a completely unconventional house, the only one of its kind, but it solves problems common to most families. It was built as an experimental house by California designer Cliff May, and it has passed the crucial test of family life. Mr. May and his wife and three young children have lived in it for a year, and found the experience exhilarating and comfortable. It has no fixed floor plan, rooms can be arranged and rearranged as easily as the living room furniture. It has a skylight that opens automatically when the weather is warm and closes when it is cold. It has the character and style usually associated with a more costly house, but can be built for $10 per square foot. What Mr. May originally set out to do was to build a better house at a lower cost than ever before. To cut labor costs to a minimum, he practically did away with interior partitions. The house is actually one big room (1,600 square feet), with only the kitchen and two bathrooms partitioned off. The other inside walls are 7'-high storage cabinets on rollers which can be arranged to make as many or as big rooms as are needed at any given time: for example, an extra bedroom when a new baby arrives, or one less bedroom when a son or daughter goes off to college. As shown (Continued on the next page)

KITCHEN is long and narrow, galley-type, planned for easy efficiency. Carpet feels wonderful underfoot, is a good sound-deadener. This is important for so open a floor plan.

FRONT OF THE HOUSE has the charm of an old-fashioned cottage, not the shiny new look of an experimental house. Exterior walls are of boards and battens. Front door, from New Mexico, has primitive design deeply carved in its wood. Backdrop is a steep hill that looms up directly behind the house, and one "prop," the great shade tree, seems to have been there forever and ever.

MASTER BATHROOM opens to a small terrace with luxuriant planting and a high fence for privacy. Wide countertop sink has ample storage cabinets beneath. The toilet and shower are in separate compartments, behind and to right and left of lavatory.
here, the May family has divided it into three bedrooms, a dining-family room, and a big living room that opens to a concrete-paved living terrace. (See opposite page for four alternate floor plans.) Natural daylighting, the other big idea in this little house, comes in through a 22' x 3' skylight in the center of the roof. Its sliding glass panels are controlled by a thermostat; they close when the temperature drops, open when it rises; and canvas skyshades can be drawn across for protection against hot mid-day sun. But California weather permits the skylight to be open much of the time. As a result, the dining-family room below it is also a kind of indoor garden where a variety of plants flourish, and the whole house is bathed in daylight, moonlight and good fresh air. The only man-made glamour touch is spotlighting in the trees that tower above the skylight; any night, you can look up and see bright light filtering down through the branches.

As for practical application, both main ideas may be in your home town sooner than... (Continued on page 164)
STORAGE-WALL CABINETS are 2' x 4' x 7' of walnut-color ribbon-grained mahogany. They have rubber rollers so they can easily be pushed from place to place, to divide the house into the size and number of rooms desired. Since the ceiling follows the pitch of the roof, you can see beyond (and hear over) them. To overcome the problem of noise, ceilings could be flat and cabinets ceiling-high.

FLOOR PLAN for Mr. May and his family faces southeast, is quite open and has several interesting ideas. Center of house, below skylight, is the dining-family room, and around it are the three bedrooms. The large living room includes a lounging corner which can be curtained off for privacy. Kitchen and two bathrooms are the only permanently fixed rooms.

Four alternate floor plans made by moving storage walls

THREE-BEDROOM version is a more conventional arrangement, allows a dining room separate from living room. These four plans suggest only some of many possibilities.

BIG FAMILY ROOM, which might double as a guest room, allows space for two small bedrooms and a great living-dining room that is literally as big as all the rest of the house.

FOUR-BEDROOM version is for a bigger family, each member of which wants privacy in his own room. Here the living room is smaller, but dining-family room is big.

TWO-BEDROOM arrangement, for a couple or family with one child, permits luxuriously large bed-sitting room and living room. Dining room borrows space from sky above.

Owners: Mr. and Mrs. Cliff May
Architect: Chris Choate
Decorator: Peggy Galloway
When you shop for air conditioning you will find over a hundred different brands, a variety of first costs and obvious advantages in every type of unit. Actually, there is a type made to work in every conceivable kind of house. But every house and, in fact, every room can raise unique problems of its own.

In the first place, what you pay for air conditioning depends on whether you buy a room cooler or a central system for the whole house. Since the war more than two million room coolers have been plugged into American homes, not counting another million or so whirring away in offices, stores and other commercial establishments. The relatively low price range of $235 to $750 is part of the reason, but the simple installation of these self-contained units is also important. You normally have no plumbing problem and only adequate electricity is needed.

Room coolers range in size from one-third to one and a half horsepower. This indicates cooling capacity. A one-third hp unit sells for about $235 installed and will handle a room of study-size. The one-half hp sells for around $325 and is usually big enough for a bedroom. The three-quarter size runs around $400 installed and is used most often for both bedrooms and living rooms. Larger console models can handle a suite of rooms or even half of a house of moderate size at prices up to $750.

The exact size you need depends on the amount of space you want to air condition, how much window area there is and how hot and humid your climate is. Operating costs for cooling average from about $25 a summer in New York and Chicago to perhaps twice that in Houston.

The central type of air conditioner is designed to cool and dehumidify a whole house in summer the way a cen-
tral furnace heats in winter. Already about 200,000 houses around the country have been equipped with central air-conditioning units. Sales are rising so sharply that by 1958 experts predict central units will be going into 700,000 houses a year. It is widely said that by that time “a house without air conditioning will be as obsolete as a house built today without a plug for a refrigerator.”

For the lowest possible cost the trick with central air conditioning is to tie the equipment into the house heating system. New year-round units include a house-size cooler and furnace in one compact casing. When heating and cooling are tied together the same ductwork can be used the year round. Central cooling can then be added for as low as $750 in a typical new $15,000 house (higher in existing houses). This is over and above the regular price for the heating equipment installed in the house.

Curiously, it is turning out to be relatively less expensive to air condition a big house than a small house according to a recent survey; i.e., the bigger the house the lower the percentage cost for heating and cooling. In the $10,000 to $20,000 bracket, the total cost for a year-round system runs about 12-14% of total house price. In the $20,000 to $30,000 bracket total cost averages about 10% of house price. In homes priced at $30,000 and up the cost drops to as little as 8%.

Since heating costs average close to 5% of house price you can figure the difference for cooling by simply subtracting from the above percentages. Remember, however, these are rule-of-thumb estimates that vary according to local wage rates, your dealer’s know-how and the amount of work a particular house requires.

The operating costs for central air conditioning can be lower than many people think. In 1953, a group of thirty-five Dallas, Texas, families living in $12,500 ranch-style homes, paid average electrical bills of less than $13 a month for cooling. For the whole five-month cooling season these bills averaged $64 per family. Because each house is equipped with a cooling tower for saving water the total water bills were less than $5 for the whole summer. Total cooling bills thus averaged less than most Northerners pay for heating.

Because these figures come from Dallas they have special significance. Dallas is much hotter and more humid than most U. S. cities, and the summer of 1953 was a record breaker even for Dallas: the temperature hit 100° or higher on thirty-four days. It was the second hottest summer in the history of the Dallas weather bureau. Operating costs for cooling similar houses should be even lower almost anywhere else.

Actual operating costs are low in other cities. Seven-room houses in Philadelphia are being air conditioned for $45 a summer, less than $12 a month over a four-month cooling season. Similar size houses reportedly have average electrical bills for cooling of $9 a month in Sterling, Ill., $11 in Dayton, $13 in Wichita and $14 in Houston.

Largely responsible for low operating costs are “adequate insulation and adequate window shading,” says engineer Frank Parsons of the National Mineral Wool Association. He says, “It is now possible to operate central air-conditioning and heating units in a small house in any typical climate zone of the U. S. for less than $150 a year.” This is based on a University of Illinois study of operating costs in a 1,040 square foot house in such varied climates as Atlanta, Dallas, (Continued on page 158)

BEWARE OF THESE AIR-CONDITIONING PROBLEMS

Less dust, dirt, cleaning or redecorating all year long

You reduce cleaning chores and cleaning costs with air conditioning. Dirt and dust from outdoors are extracted by filter summer and winter.

No mildewed clothing or luggage, relief from “mugginess”

You won’t have dank or musty closets, you won’t find mildew or mold on clothes or shoes when your house is air conditioned year round.

Proper installation avoids danger of noisy equipment

In some newly air conditioned houses the blower fan has been noisy. Be sure equipment is located and installed so vibration isn’t heard.

Ventilation is important to keep down humidity in house

Laundry dryers, other equipment adding moisture to house must be ventilated to reduce humidity and give best air conditioning results.
Some 30,000,000 spare-time gardeners are finding their own backyards a fine place to enjoy healthy recreation and produce a bumper crop of blooms. Here begins a six-page portfolio on first gardens for young families.

Step-by-step plan for your first garden

When you take on your first house, you take on the world: your own special and very personal world. Everything seems possible and most things are, as it turns out. But one of the places where it’s good to look before you leap is in the planting of your grounds. To be sure, looking may not be pleasant after the builder has moved off the place with his trucks and bulldozers. And with spring coming on you may be tempted to order a truckload of topsoil, bushes, grass seed and fertilizer from the first itinerant vendor that comes along. Resist the temptation sternly. Look, plan, then start to work, developing your grounds and your outdoor living as you develop the interior of your house, as a projection and a setting for your life in your new home and your new neighborhood.

Do as much work or as little the first year as you have time and money for, but do it logically and have fun while you work. On these six pages you will find many practical suggestions for landscaping a typical 80’ by 120’ suburban lot. You will see what makes a good entrance planting, how to plant a boundary line with inexpensive flowering shrubs of wide adaptability and hardiness. We will show you how a half dozen reliable perennials that you can plant this year will bloom before the season is over and form the backbone of a handsome flower border. Then you will see how one young couple, no more venturesome than the next, pioneered a rocky meadow into three acres of fine trees and shrubs, flowers, fruit and vegetables.

Every flower, bush and tree pictured in the bird’s-eye drawing opposite can be planted in sizes that fit a beginning budget. Once carefully planted in well-prepared ground they will last for many years. Start with the dooryard planting. It’s not more important than the rest but it is a little more public. Follow with the boundary fencing down one side, then the shrub planting down the other side and across the back. Build the terrace garden, the pool, walks and tool house as time and your budget permit. Start your first flower garden (see page 143) now and pick your first blossoms by the 4th of July.

1. Enkianthus
2. Leucothoe
3. Rhododendron ‘Boule de Neige’
4. Mountain-laurel
5. Carolina rhododendron (white)
6. Pieris floribunda
7. Glossy abelia
8. Pyracantha (Lalandi)
9. Japanese quince

ENTRANCE PLANTING
MAKE A PRACTICAL PLAN which, like that below, allows for plenty of open space on an 80' by 120' lot, yet provides for outdoor living and entertaining with privacy. There are two trees in the front yard, an oxycodendron and a flowering crab, and a Moraine locust shades the rear terrace (start with a 12'-15' size). The only important architectural planting is in the entrance yard and in the beds adjoining the covered porch. Evergreens are used for year-round interest and foliage value. The boundary planting is of deciduous or non-evergreen shrubs, many with colorful fall fruit or foliage. The fencing is basket-weave panels.

BOUNDARY PLANTING

1. Taxus media hicksi
2. Hybrid lilacs
3. Kolkwitzia amabilis
4. Viburnum carlesi
5. Viburnum tomentosum
6. Viburnum carkephalum
7. Viburnum dilatatum
8. Philadelphus hybrids
9. Vaccinium corymbosum
10. Azalea vaseyi
11. Mountain-laurel
12. Winged euonymus

Dogwoods at rear

Underplanting of:

13. Philadelphus hybrids
14. Vaccinium corymbosum
15. Azalea vaseyi
16. Mountain-laurel
17. Winged euonymus

GOOD ENTRANCE PLANTING will enhance the appearance of your house, join its architecture pleasantly with the site, make visitors feel welcome the year round. The flowering shrubs, mostly evergreen, included in the plan and planting list opposite look well from the start, even in modest sizes. They will average from $3 to $7.50 in cost at a nursery. SHRUBS FOR A BOUNDARY, top of page, need be neither evergreen nor costly to provide an effect of privacy, make pleasant garden pictures the year round. Shrubs shown would range from $1.50 to $5 each in plantable sizes. Yew hedge, 15"-18" plants, might total $75. Set outer planting first. ARCHITECTURAL PLANTING beside covered porch, right, depends for effectiveness on patterns made by edgings of walks, brick and stone paving, pool; on low evergreen plants with blossom accents. Flower border described on next page.

PORCH PLANTING

1. Ilex crenata microphylla
2. Ilex crenata convexa
3. Iberis Little Gem
4. Caryopteris Blue Mist
5. Viburnum carlesi
6. Bulbs and annuals

For 7 hardy perennials that flower the first year, turn page.
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STEP-BY-STEP PLAN  
continued

Start your first flower border with seven perennials that will blossom the first year you plant them.

2. **FALL ASTERS** in blues, pinks, whites or sunset shades bring color to the garden as early flowers fade. 70c to $1.

3. **DAYLILIES**, for effective first year bloom, should be bought in the largest divisions available, need no transplanting for 5 years or more. Hybridizers offer new reds, pinks as well as yellow and orange. Average price, 75c to $3.

USE THE PERENNIALS that give you flowers from plants you can set out this spring. Fill in the gaps with seed packet annuals, from an edging of white alyssum to cleome, zinnia and marigolds in the back row, Canterbury bells (biennials) in between. Add more perennials this fall. Numbers on drawing refer to photographs.

For complete planting plan of this first year border and plant source list, write House & Garden's Reader Service.

4. **CHRYSANTHEMUMS** are the very essence of autumn. Plant summer blooming cushion types in front, late kinds to replace spent Canterbury bells. 70c to $1.

5. **SUMMER PHLOX** is one of the true indispensables of the perennial garden. Center clump (drawing) is early blooming Miss Lingard; left, tall white Marie Louise; right, the new salmon Sir John Falstaff. About 70c to 95c each.

6. **SHASTA DAISIES** blossom freely on newly set plants and bloom for several weeks, even months, depending on varieties. Mount Shasta is longest blooming. All white flowers, 75c-$1.25.

7. **DELPHINIUMS**, whether in white or shades of blue, lilac, purple, have now reached a peak of beauty in the Pacific hybrid strains. Buy big nursery clumps to insure good bloom. $1 to $3.
When, some months ago, H&G went up to New Canaan, Connecticut, to bring you back the story of Mr. and Mrs. David Proudfoot’s garden, we came across facts about which we’ve been musing ever since. In the first place there is clearly a modern spirit afoot among many young marrieds. They are setting up personal frontiers all over the country wherever there is an acre or so of land. Pushing beyond the suburbs, often they must settle for (and on) land that is flat; or bumpy; or full of brush, or damp, or too dry. But every inch of it can be turned into an asset, as the Proudfoots discovered when they took advantage of rocky land to create the pleasant garden pictured on these pages. In the second place we learned that if you want to grow honey as well as flowers, wherever you live you can order a pound of live bees by mail. (The queen arrives in a box, complete with workers and her palace guard.) In the third place we liked Mrs. Proudfoot’s advice to other amateurs who, like herself and her commuting husband, move in to a new place and teach themselves how to garden from scratch: “Capitalize on your natural terrain; become familiar with ways to shape and improve it; don’t be dismayed (Continued on page 210)
Color follows color across this well planned garden from early spring to late fall.

1. **EARLY SPRING GARDEN**. above, is seen from terrace path (plan, preceding page) over ivied wall and rock garden. Phlox, candytuft, alyssum of perennial border show across turf panel. Part of strawberry bed, rose garden appear beyond. At left is a typical section of perennial border in June highlighted by climbing roses on fence, early phlox and tall delphiniums. Peonies, iris, daylilies, asters and chrysanthemums are important hardy plants among varieties which keep garden in flower till late autumn.

2. **OLD PEAR TREE** stands at edge of rocky area, is one of several of which owners took advantage in making their plan. Seen from woods, leaves of rhododendron catch sunlight above foamy blue Jacob’s-ladder. One of many narcissus clumps stands out against trunk. Snowdrops and tulip species, as well as phlox divaricata and subulata, alyssum saxatile, primulas, forget-me-nots, wood violets, sedums are also included.

3. **WEATHERED BOULDERs** make focal points for many wildflower and springtime plant groupings. Shown in another view of rock garden, opposite left, yellow heads of trollius, or globe flower, brighten the weathered gray on one side; airy spikes of coralbells the other. Anemone, dwarf iris, dicentra are among plants in background.

4. **ROCKY KNOLL**, seen across naturally rolling grass area, far right opposite, was first part of ground planted after Mr. and Mrs. Proudfoot bought their New Canaan, Connecticut, place. Big fruit trees were already there, provide ideal summer shade for woodland plants, friendly hanging space for gourd bird houses. All planning, preparation, planting and maintenance have been done by owners and one-day-a-week gardener.
A CROSS-POOL VIEW TO THE ALBERT KAFFENBURGH HOUSE

THE ENRIQUE ROUSSEAU'S TERRACE FEATURES A TRAVELER'S PALM

ORANGE-FLOWERED PIÑON ACCENTS RAFAEL DE CARDENAS GARDEN

LUIS VIDAÑA'S POOL HAS ONE SHALLOW ARM FOR CHILDREN
The 300-mile-long alligator of land that is Cuba was according to Christopher Columbus "the most beautiful land that human eyes have ever seen." Its trade-wind-favored position gives it an enviably short temperature range averaging between a propitious 72.7 in winter and tolerable 79.3 in summer. Where many remoter islands are merely outposts of American country club life, Cuba is as satisfactorily foreign as a trip to Europe. Latin-style, life is carried on in Havana’s streets and the narrower they are the better. On a two-foot side-walk of the old city newspapers are read, business is transacted, greetings exchanged. You stumble over doing lottery ticket vendors with huge numbers stuck in their hats and pause to sample fresh-squeezed tropical fruit juices or a glass of the tiny oysters in hot sauce which Cubans down with gusto at any hour of the day or night. Old buildings, such as the Cathedral, the Post Office, the Ministry of Public Works, are massive and sumptuous. The Malecón Drive which skirts one of the world’s famous harbors offers the added excitement of a brush with the sea: even a medium blow dashes waves over the parapet to engulf the foreign car whose driver has not learned, like the natives, to dodge them by alternate slow-ups and bursts of speed. Tourism, which with the recession of the sugar industry now rates second in the national budget, is being accorded more attention today than ever before. There are great plans afoot. One of them is the construction of a tunnel under the harbor which will convey you by car straight to the Morro Castle and its hinterland of fabulous natural parks and beaches. Here a golf club is taking shape. Another is a plan of drive-yourself cars and American-style motels which will open up such little-known parts of the island as the ranches of the Camaguey and the Zapata Marshes teeming with exotic flowers, birds, and beasts. The forthcoming Havana Hilton will be 27 floors and 630 rooms of solid luxury crowned by a restaurant whose zipper roof rolls back to reveal the splendor of cupola and fortress, of lighted waterfront and jeweled harbor which is Havana at night.

As it is, there are plenty of excellent places to stay. The Nacional, best-known of the big hotels, sits high on native rock across the harbor from Morro Castle. Its two Olympic-size swimming pools are mysteriously fed by crystal-clear artesian salt water. There is tennis, a night club, and extensive air conditioning. For visitors with cars, the new Commodoro offers a free-form modern setup, half way out to the Country Club. Its glass-louvered walls are spectacular in a storm when the breaking sea looks as if it was going to come in and get you. The swimming pool inside a breakwater has openings in it through which these waves are filtered to (Cont’d on page 206)
The happy art of letter writing

EVERY LETTER YOU SEND IS A SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY OF WARMTH AND SPONTANEITY
FROM YOU TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

"As long as there are postmen," said philosopher William James, "life will have zest." But as long as it seems quicker to send a postcard or pick up the telephone than to send a warmly expressed, handwritten note of courtesy and affection, the enjoyment of letter writing will remain an undiscovered art to many people. Last year more than three and a half billion printed cards sped around America, embellished with flowers, puppy dogs, witty sketches and cute-isms, carrying messages of Friendship, Get-Well Soon, Happy Birthday, Congratulations on Your Engagement, and what not. How different are manufactured messages from the stage coach and pony express days, the era of "post haste" when the arrival of the overland mail, travelling by relays of horses, was of far more interest and excitement than any shooting up that happened to befall the passengers. The anticipation of a letter from the East to a family crossing the Plains was almost indescribable. It was real as gold, an object of vast respect and awe, eagerly sent, eagerly awaited. It was read and re-read, lovingly preserved and quoted, as if the writer were happily metamorphosed with news from home. "Some," wrote Dr. Johnson in 1777, "when they write to their friends, are all affection; some wise and contentious; some strain their powers for efforts of gaiety; some write news and some write secrets; but to make a letter without affection, without wisdom, without gaiety, without a secret is, doubtless, the great epistolick art."

In the pursuit of "the great epistolick art" there is no happier, better occasion for letter writing than upon the announcement of your engagement, and your wedding plans. One of the pleasantries of these events is to send out invitations to informal parties, thank-you notes for entertaining weekends, notes of grateful acknowledgement for flowers, gifts, showers, and good wishes. But people often argue that in our age of speed, of wireless, telephone, telegraph, why need we be
sticklers for good form and put our thoughts on paper? Because there always will be occasions when the social amenities require more than an informal phone conversation, or a scribbled R.S.V.P. on a cocktail card. There are times when letters from you are expected, and should be forthcoming promptly and sincerely; times when you take time for personal expressions, legible, substantial, and composed with as much charm and freshness as you can muster. You may find it hard to be articulate at first, and, in the event of a letter of condolence, to express all the sympathy and comfort you feel, but the privilege and obligation of being a friend is to share burdens and offer help when needed. A phone call is ephemeral; a letter has joy or comfort or substance, or just plain everyday "news". It lasts.

What you write need not be elaborate or lengthy but it must be sincerely written, with expressive phrases of warmth. Some wit has remarked that the formula for the perfect after-dinner speech is "Be brief; be genuine; be seated." This might apply to answering, accepting or regretting invitations by note. Phrases such as "delighted to come", "looking forward to seeing you" or "what a pleasant surprise, we would love to attend, and thank you from both of us" are spontaneous and acceptable, so long as they come from your heart. Thank-you letters are a welcome opportunity to say that you are pleased or touched by another's thoughtfulness. In line with proportion and fitness, and above all, politeness, you will probably compose notes to your new in-laws; bread-and-butter letters of appreciative enjoyment for weekends when you are feted as an engaged couple, or newly married; mutual notes between yourself and bridesmaids if they live in other cities; invitations to a small wedding, if yours is informal, and with or without a reception afterward. It is gracious and pleasing to thank friends and relatives who speed you on your way to and from the altar. Usually these notes can be written during your honeymoon, on writing paper of good quality, plain, engraved, or monogrammed. You can turn out a dozen such creditable notes in an afternoon. Invitations to guests and relatives for a christening can also be written informally. They need only include the time, place (church or home), with a message such as "John and I hope you can stay to lunch with us afterward" in conclusion. And if you are asked to be a godparent, enclose an affectionately written message on a card with your present to the baby. It will be treasured by your godchild in after years.

These are the sort of heartfelt letters which are not a chore but a privilege to write. Don't procrastinate, for the tardy sending may needlessly offend a friend; and the unwritten letter you meant to write but never got around to can weigh on your conscience. Later on you will probably send notes of invitation to your house warming; letters of introduction for friends going on a journey; letters of social or business reference; appeals for your favorite community cause; or even a letter to your Congressman on some urgent national issue. Whenever and however you write, speak on paper as if you were relaxed, natural, and thinking aloud.

Since time began, all sorts of people have been busily writing to each other, sounding off on great or small events which affect human society. Sometimes it was Pliny, or St. Patrick, or Mary, Queen of Scots, or Galileo on the discovery of four new planets, taking up their pens, setting down their thoughts. Madame de Sévigné, Madame de Pompadour, Lord Chesterfield all had something pertinent to say, found time to say it. Love letters, letters of good news, wit, gossip, tragedy, romance, villainous doings, laments and quarrels were written eloquently, simply, or heatedly by outstanding figures and some notable contemporaries. There is Samuel Pepys discussing the great plague of London, Ben Franklin proposing to a French widow, Lord Nelson's pledge of love to Emma Hamilton on the eve of the battle of Trafalgar, Charlotte Brontë on the loss of her sister Emily, Louisa May Alcott describing her new spring bonnet, Leonardo da Vinci asking the Duke of Milan for a job. Change the signatures, alter the style, keep the subject matter and you realize that the foibles and vanities, illnesses and romances, the lack of employment or the acquisition of a new hat are still the subject of letter-writing today. There was just as much puzzle-ment over style and spelling, just as much struggle with the etiquette of the well-turned phrase. But letters were longer, for they were longer in transit and in a sense their contents represented an exchange of gossip such as you find in the personal columns of country newspapers, or the gossip columns of the big dailies. In composing such letters Beadle's dime "Ladies' Letter Writer" was a helpful manual to the timid. Others were sold as "The Compleat Letter Writer" or "A useful compendium of epistolary materials gathered from the best sources, adapted to young ladies and gentlemen of quality, and to suit an indefinite number who may be approaching matrimony." In 1850 you could buy model letters on business, love, courtship, marriage, relatives, friendship, congratulations, condolences and ethics. People dipped their quills, composed letters in aid of temperance, on coming of age, on approaching nuptials, on the moral effects of play going, the sin of card playing. There were letters on libels, warrants, property seizure, politics, on tobacco and wine taxes, on the baneful effects of duels, and the decline of the church. There were letters to sons at college, to Earls and Editors, to Parliament and Congress. Everyone, as you can see, enjoyed sounding off in ringing rhetoric, or in most loving prose. On matters of elegance, on common occasions, no one hesitated to consult "manuals of polite correspondence, as is practised by all persons of respectability." (And no one doubts that some of the most disrespectful letters in history make the liveliest reading.)

In essence, the letters you write today are your voice on paper. Practical, sentimental, obligatory, business-like or gracious, they are a testament to your good manners and sincerity. With any standard book of etiquette and a pocket dictionary for reference you can feel completely at ease. But the real moment of pleasure begins as your written thoughts begin to flow. And some of the letters you write will be kept and treasured, reread and remembered.
HOW TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR CARPETS

Carpets respond to good care. You can add years to their life and beauty if you clean them regularly, the right way. Here is all you need to know about home and professional cleaning methods.

Regular beauty treatment is the best life insurance you can give your carpet. The minute the rug is laid you should have a plan for keeping it cleaned and bright. A daily brush-up with a carpet sweeper or a light cleaning with an electric vacuum cleaner will remove lint and surface dirt. You should vacuum thoroughly once or twice a week (depending on where you live, how many children and pets in your house, etc.), paying particular attention to the paths of heavy traffic. About every six months, it’s a good idea to run the vacuum over the back of your rugs, too. There are two kinds of dirt working against you and your carpet. One, tracked in from the outdoors, will eventually cut the fibers. The other, sifted through the air, leaves a dull film. You can (and must) keep the upper hand by cleaning your carpets regularly before they get too dirty.

Handling your vacuum cleaner properly is an art in itself. Such a machine is not built to skim the surface, so run it slowly. A light cleaning consists of three strokes over a particular area (forward, back, forward). Seven strokes constitute a more thorough cleaning. Small rugs that annoy you by wrinkling up when you clean them are easier to manage if you run your vacuum crosswise. Keep your machine (brush, belt and bearings) in good repair. Once a week, heavy pieces of furniture should be lifted and moved, and every inch of the carpet cleaned to unsettle any insects that might be making themselves at home in dark places. If the furniture legs have left depressions in the carpet, you can steam the spot with a warm iron over a damp cloth, then brush briskly against the pile. Occasionally it’s a good idea to apply a moist compound or powder cleaner to break the sooty film and bring life back to the face of your carpet. (Never use soap because it leaves a film itself.) For best results, follow the manufacturer’s directions to the letter and distribute the cleaner evenly. The best thing you can do for a cotton carpet is to have it washed frequently. Anything larger than a 4’ x 6’ cotton rug should go out to a commercial laundry or carpet (Continued on page 172)
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The study shows that total year-round heating and cooling bills for the house would vary from a low of $87.20 a year in New York City, to a high of $366.60 in Dallas. The house has four inches of insulation laid over the ceiling plus three inches in the sidewalls, and wide overhangs shade the windows. Without the insulation the house would need a much bigger cooling unit and operating costs would be almost three times as high. These findings help prove that home cooling cost need no longer be a luxury only well-heeled families can afford.

Assuming you can afford air conditioning what can you expect once you have it? Certainly, one of the biggest advantages is guaranteed comfort. When you would otherwise sweep through every summer heat wave. In addition, temps stay cool, heat rash is banished and you are assured of a full night's sleep.

Of equal importance is the freedom from dirt and dampness. Housewives report sharply reduced cleaning chores because curtains, linens and clothing stay clean longer in air that has been filtered and dehumidified. Vacuum cleaner loads are reduced by an estimated 250 pounds a year. The mildew curse is eliminated. If you live in a contaminated city like New York or Los Angeles your home will no longer be plagued with soot or smog. In fact, decorators point out that you can take full advantage of light-colored interiors because white draperies and white trim stay clean without skyrocketing costs for cleaning and redecorating.

Many people, however, still fear that air conditioning may be unhealthy. What are the real facts? In the first place it is a medical fact that merely moving around in 95° temperature puts as much strain on the heart as heavy manual labor in cool weather. Higher temperatures can cause heart attacks in people with weak hearts, complete collapse in those suffering with chronic heart diseases. Statistics even show that the death rate is highest on the hottest days. Air conditioning may be the perfect prescription for anyone with a weak heart.

As for "dermal shock" medical researchers report that regardless of popular belief a sudden switch from air-cooled quarters to hot outdoors has no ill effects on normally healthy people. Actually a healthy body adapts itself as soon as normal perspiration is established, and mild exercise will even shorten the adaption time. This should relieve mothers who worry about children running in and out of an air-conditioned house.

In a recent survey of people who had moved into air-conditioned houses these comments were heard most:

"It really changes your summer life. We have a feeling of well-being that we never had before. We have fewer colds making us a healthier family in more than one way."

"We eat better because now we have a hot meal every night. In the old house I hated to turn on the oven in summer because the kitchen got so hot."

A Houston physician said air conditioning is a boon for children. "Their general health is better and they have fewer illnesses such as colds and heat rash."

If you seek an engineer about air conditioning he is likely to avoid specific recommendations until he can survey your house. In general, however, engineers say you should plan for air conditioning in a new house right from the start. For example, specify plenty of insulation for the walls and roof, use wide overhangs or other shading devices to protect windows from heat; totally enclose the garage on the east or west to shield these exposures from hot morning or afternoon sun and pick a good spot for the equipment so it can be installed at low cost and operate at high efficiency.

You can also exploit air conditioning by having your architect omit the traditional ell or wing often added to the plan just for cross-ventilation. Some windows whose sole purpose is to let light in without dirt can be fixed sheet glass. Screens can be omitted to a certain degree, further reducing construction costs. (But many home buyers are cold to the psychological idea of a completely sealed house, though it has been endorsed by a few enthusiastic pioneers.)

When your house is being built you can take advantage of a surprising construction discovery that has come to light. As Toledo builder Don Schola puts it: "When we plan air conditioning a trial run in a new house, we actually dehumidify the whole structure. An amazing amount of water is pulled out. One result is that our painters get better coverage and the paint jobs usually show remarkable freedom from cracks and unevenness."

If you are still on the fence about air conditioning the words of a real estate broker may influence you. Walter S. Dayton, past president of the National Institute of Real Estate Brokers, says he is "acutely conscious of the devastating effect the trend to air conditioning new houses might have upon the value and salability of existing homes." In other words, a non-air-conditioned house built today runs the risk of being a drag on the market tomorrow. To protect the future value of a new house you should at least pre-plan for a cooling system that can be added easily at a later date; that is, plan the heating ducts for cooling, too, and leave space for the future air conditioner.

Air conditioning the whole house

There are more than fifty nationally known central air-conditioning units available today. Each will cool and dehumidify a whole house and most will provide full winter heating as well.

HOW SUMMER AIR CONDITIONING WORKS

When you start an air-conditioning unit, air is pulled in through a filter which removes dirt, dust and other impurities. Then the air passes through a dense cooling coil much like an automobile radiator. The cooling coil is chilled by a refrigerant (called Freon or Genetron) circulating inside. Air passing over the coil is chilled on contact, and also gives up its excess water (Continued on page 159)
vapor, since the lower the air temperature the less moisture it can hold. Thus the air is dehumidified at the same time it is cooled. Then the conditioned air is distributed to rooms via the ducts.

The heart of the system is the compressor. This is a piston-cylinder type of apparatus usually powered by an electric motor. The compressor provides the pump action that keeps the Freon circulating continuously around the cooling circuit. The compressor receives heat-laden Freon from the cooling coil and pumps it on, the next stop being the condenser. The condenser simply takes advantage of the fact that heat always passes from a warm to a cold substance. The heat-laden refrigerant travels through coils inside the condenser. Either outside air or cool water is passed over these coils to absorb the refrigerant's heat. The cooled refrigerant flows on to the cooling coil for more heat and the cycle is repeated. In some units an air-cooled condenser is used as it is in window coolers; i.e., a stream of outside air is blown over the condenser to carry away the heat. Other types use a water-cooled condenser which must be supplied with a continuous stream of cool water for dispersing the heat from the house.

5 types of central air conditioning

Most air-conditioning units use the same basic parts but there is great variety in how they are packaged for sale and, more important, in the way they work in a house. The only way to decide which is your best buy is to understand first the five special types of central units, from the year-round combination package to the heat pump.

1. YEAR-ROUND COMBINATION UNIT

The year-round combination unit includes both heating and cooling in one neat casing. One blower fan functions all year round and one set of ducts handles both warm and cool air distribution. In summer, conditioned air is discharged into the house through the common ductwork. When the air has picked up heat and humidity from a room it is pulled back to the conditioner through the same kind of ducts used in warm-air heating. In fall you usually shift a damper inside the unit and the filtered air goes to the furnace section instead of to the cooling section. The damper shift also turns off the cooling system and turns on the heating apparatus. The air is warmed as in a conventional furnace and is channeled to the rooms through the same network of ducts. During continuous operation all the air in a house is constantly re-circulated and reconditioned about every ten minutes—or six times an hour. The system can usually be switched from summer to winter operation by a single control. One thermostat regulates your indoor temperature twelve months a year.

Combination units have either oil- or gas-fired furnaces so you can choose your fuel, including manufactured, natural, mixed or liquid petroleum gas. One firm even makes a combination package that heats and cools by means of gas. Only a small amount of electric power is required for the compressor.

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tricity is needed (for the blower fan motor). Cooling is provided by a scale-up version of the same refrigerating mechanism used in gas refrigerators. Although this unit may cost more than the usual unit of gas, it is a natural if (1) you live in an area with cheap natural gas, or (2) you do not want to foot the bill to bring in the extra electricity. A water heater will be available which uses oil for year-round operation instead of gas. Obviously, this type is a good bet if your house is in an area with the lowest gas mains, and if electricity would be too expensive.

Although different brands may vary in quality and should be rated against the buying check-list given later in this article, general advantages of the combination unit can be summed up in this way: it is normally the cheapest to buy and install. It is compact, especially important in a house without a basement where every square foot of space costs $10 to $15. It is less expensive to operate, assuming an unmatched equipment because one firm is responsible for both heating and cooling parts and all covers are parted by the same warranty.

2. MATED UNITS

Mated units are simply separate heating and cooling parts placed side by side. They do not differ from basic combination units in design or method of operation.

Most firms now producing mated units were in the heating business before they entered air conditioning. It was only natural for them to buy or produce a summer cooler matched to their heating unit. A winter damper directs the return air through the furnace unit for heating. In the summer the damper is reversed and the air is directed to the summer cooler by an electric switch.

Obviously, the chief advantage of mated units is flexibility; they can be fitted together in a large number of combinations. In the South, summer and pedestrian models can be built, and the blower can be hooked up with a large cooler. In the North, vice versa. And you can pre-plan for air conditioning by buying the heater first, leaving space for adding its cooling twin at a later time.

Installation costs, however, may be higher because two pieces of equipment must be received, installed and tied together. They also need more space than a combination unit (although some coolers are made for installation atop or below the heater). Each part has its own operating controls. You might need minor adjustments in spring or fall when switched from heating to cooling and back.

3. SEPARATE COOLING UNITS

If your house is heated by hot-water radiators, convectors, baseboard units or floor, ceiling or wall panels convection, a water heater or coil may be used to have “heat.” You may wonder how you can combine air cooling and hot-water heating in the same house. One good answer is the separate cooling unit—a fully integrated summer conditioner. It can not only be teamed up with a warm-air furnace, it can also go in any base curing only. By itself the separate cooler is small and compact, some models being no larger than a console TV set.

Some of the small, 1 1/2 and 2 horsepower separate coolers are in fact called console models. They are like the one in your living room, designed to handle a very large room or two or three average rooms at one crack. For example, one could be put in an upstairs closet with units changing cool air to bedrooms. A second one could handle the downstairs living area the same way. In a wide two-story plan a console could be put at each end of the house, giving the advantage of individual control for living and sleeping quarters. To spread out costs, either console could be installed first, the second one later. Because some console models are available with air-cooled condensers like a typical window cooler, they do not need water for operation. Then, however, they do need a location near an exterior wall for convenient access to outside air.

The larger separate coolers can air condition a whole house. To save space, they are made in special horizontal models that can be hung from the ceiling or installed in a low-pitch attic. If in an attic, however, the cooler and its ductwork must be thoroughly insulated against over- like temperatures. Regardless of their size, shape or location all separate coolers contain a conventional compressor and other basic parts. You can control certain amount of work, and provisions should be made for easy servicing.

4. CHILLED WATER SYSTEM

The chilled water system, an old standby for cooling office buildings, hotels and many apartment houses, is the most direct way of air conditioning a house and providing hot-water heat at the same time.

A refrigeration system that chill water instead of air is put in the base- ment or equipment room near the hot-water radiator. Hot-water at 140° F is pumped through insulated pipes to convector-like cabinets in each room. A little fan, about 1/2 horsepower, in each cabinet unit pulls in room air. The air passes through a filter and is then cooled and dehumidified by means of the circulating chilled water. Then the air is discharged into the room. In winter hot water from the boiler is circulated through the same insulated pipes to the same convectors for heating instead of cooling as mentioned above.

Chilled water’s major virtue is individual control. Each convector unit can be set by the room occupants regardless of the temperature in other rooms. Thus children, adults and servants, all different occupants, who may require as much as a 10° temperature difference—can individually select their own bedroom climate. Moreover, when a room is not occupied or convectors can be shut off. This can mean lower operating costs or more capacity available for the rest of the house. If you have space for instance between base radiators—when fitted with special controls—they can be turned on or off and practically all cooling can be poured into the space with the big.

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5. THE HEAT PUMP

No air-conditioning unit has received more postwar publicity yet made slower headway than the heat pump. Through 1954 only about 5,000 have been installed in U.S. houses. Heat pump sales, however, are soon expected to catch fire because new models have been introduced, prices are coming down and electric utilities are beginning to sing its praises.

Actually there are two main types of heat pumps: the air-to-air type and the water-to-air type. Each is basically a standard air conditioner during a sunny day, taining a compressor, condenser and fan and is powered by electricity the year round. In summer each type therefore operates like a regular cooling unit: heat is extracted from a house in the normal manner and dis- persed via running water or outside air. In winter the refrigeration cycle is reversed. Heat is extracted from the outside source (air or water) and pumped into the house. The big ad- vantage stems from the fact that for every-r unit of electricity the heat pump uses in winter, it borrows two or three free from outside water or air. Because there is no combustion the usual expense for a chimney is eliminated.

The air-to-air type of heat pump is in effect a large, souped-up version of a typical air-conditioned window unit. In summer and winter the heat source "or "sink" is outside air. The medium by which the house is actually heated or cooled is also air—thus the term air-to-air.

One small drawback of the air-to-air type is that it usually needs auxiliary electric heaters to keep a house warm during very cold weather. This is because the colder the outside air, the harder it is to extract heat from outside. When the outside tempera- ture drops below 30° heating efficiency thus falls off sharply. Surprisingly, in well-insulated houses the extra operat- ing cost for the booster heat is a minor item.

Total installation cost for the air-to-air model now runs about $2,800 to $3,000 for complete heating and cooling in houses as big as 2,000 square feet; bigger units for larger houses start at about $3,500 installed. Net cost is clearly lower when you figure in the lower construction cost of a house without a chimney. Since an inlet and outlet are needed for outside air, each will result if you put the unit near an exterior wall.

The water-to-air heat pump is cheaper and more compact than the air-to-air type but it needs a constant source of water for operation. The 2-ton package takes up only about six square feet of floor area. It can be in- stalled in houses as large as 1,500 sq. ft. for as little as $1,800; 3-ton sizes have been put in larger houses for as little as $2,300. These prices cover the full heating cycle and the cost of a shallow well down to 50 ft. A deeper well would naturally boost the installation cost somewhat.

Like its air-to-air brother, the water heat pump is powered by electricity, uses regular ductwork and may need auxiliary electric heaters in the North where your water supply temper- ature drops off appreciably in win- ter. Because of compactness and rela- tively low cost the water heat pump has the edge over virtually any other kind of air conditioner in places where well water is plentiful, e.g., the east coast belt from Long Island to Florida and many spots in the Midwest. Many heat pumps are even operat- ing in houses around the nation with water from nearly lakes and swimming pools—you do not always need a well.

The critical factor with heat pumps is the winter operating cost and this in turn is tied to your local power rate. Because the heat pump is a form of electric heat, heating bills will be a drop-in-the-bucket in a cheap power area like the TVA region, higher than normal in an area where electricity is expensive. According to engineers the break-even point is electricity at 2 cents a kilowatt hour; higher rates might make heat pump operation expensive. It is expected that many electric companies will soon give added impetus to use of the heat pump by offering special rates for heat pumps, to encourage wider use of electric hot water heaters.

AIR CONDITIONING CHECK LIST

The principal types of equipment described here have individual advan- tages for different houses. But each is a mechanical apparatus with the same purpose: home air condition- ing. Regardless of the type, here are desirable features to look for when selecting any equipment.

Quiet operation. Having a noisy unit can be a maddening experience. Before putting your money down, listen to the unit operate in the show- room or in a nearby house. (A sound- proof test is essential, too.)

Compactness. Because every square foot of house area costs you as much as $10, the smaller the unit, the less costly floor space needed.

Frost serviceability. This is di- rectly related to compactness and the cost of floor space. If a unit can be fully serviced from the front little or no extra space need be left open at the sides or back.

Convenient filter location. Because dirty filters have caused more than 50% of recorded service calls, look for filters that are easy to reach. Then you can even clean your own at no cost.

Cabinet insulation. The cabinet should be lined with at least a half inch of insulation and preferably one (Continued on page 164).
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inch to prevent sound and heat transmission.

Warranty. Most equipment is covered by a one-year warranty on all parts, a five-year protection plan on the all-important compressor.

Good heating-cooling arrangement. Beware of a system with the heating section "downstream" from the cooling section. After the air is cooled during summer operation it should by-pass the heat exchanger. If the cool air flows through the heater it can cause condensation and corrosion inside this element.

Electrical characteristics. If possible, select a unit with a 220-volt, three-phase compressor motor in lieu of the usual single-phase. The phase characteristic indicates the two different kinds of electricity somewhat like the difference between regular and high-test gasoline. Because three-phase current is more efficient in air conditioning, it is strongly recommended for all motors 3 horsepower or larger.

Some electric companies even prohibit single-phase power for these bigger size motors. However, the kind of electricity you get is usually dictated by the local power company.

Reputation. The reputation of the manufacturer and his local dealer are in the last analysis the best guarantee for an efficient, trouble-free system. How much experience do they have in residential air conditioning? What kind of reputation do they have for reliable service?

The exact prices for the various kinds of equipment described are hard to pin down chiefly because no manufacturer quotes a price on equipment alone. This is mainly because the equipment is only part of the total cost. What you pay for air conditioning varies according to such factors as local wage rates, how big a unit your house needs, and how much installation work is involved.

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south terrace, and doors that open to it.

On the north side is the children's play yard, reached directly from the family room. The living room is a good example of careful orientation: its west wall is windowless, for privacy from the street. Its north wall has a single window (traditional version) or a band of clerestory windows (modern version); these, opposite the south window-wall, permit cross-light and cross-ventilation.

Planting, both indoors and outdoors, is skillfully used as another link between house and site. For example, when you go in through the front door, the first thing you see is the luxuriant foliage of tall plants growing in 5' x 8' plant bed in the entrance hall.

And from the inside, much of the outdoor planting seems part of the house. For example, there are two flower beds on the terrace just below the west windows of the master bedroom and bedroom hall. To screen the south terrace from the street, there are two suggestions: for the traditional house, a pergola covered by vines in summer; and for the modern house, a lowered fence.

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you think. The exterior wall or "shell" construction is simple and inexpensive, and the kitchen and bathrooms have standard equipment. The storage walls could be built by any good craftsman. The electronic controls that operate the skylight are standard equipment and skylights have been used for years, and can be ordered from several manufacturers.

If ideas that catch on are those which can benefit many people, consider these two: the tailor-made floor plan that fits any family, no matter what size and what kind of personal idiosyncrasies about how a house should be laid out. And the indoor garden room to solve once and for all the problem of outdoor living in privacy—even on a small lot, with close neighbors.

Building Data: Cliff May house


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selective of my goals and not lose track of what I believe is important (or hopeless) to keep in sight the present, however, in working for those chosen goals. The future can be so uncertain I think we should choose. But it is easy to appreciate the beauty and validity of present moments. Learning to be selective would help us to simplify, help us perhaps to live without desperation.

This is an articulate demand, beginning very sensibly with the tangible, ending with the intangible. But there's a little over-stress in that word "desperation." I believe that she has in mind the present-day version of "desperation" which is made of too many claims, too many directions, too many pushes and pulls and jerks, with an overlay of too many people screaming nervous half-baked counsel from all directions. Radio, television, newspapers, politicians, preachers (some of them tic-tac-toe relatives, bus-drivers and taxi-men; how shrilly they argue and warn and advise! Don't listen. This is the time to lay firm hold of Selection and not let go, meanwhile closing your ears to the shrieks. Your own choice, though it be perhaps immature and at first slightly wobbly, is a great deal better for you to live by than the combined sagacity of Plato, Montaigne, Santayana and Walter Lippmann. Give a thought right here to Charles Darwin, who, if anybody, knew something about Selection. Said he, blithely: "I love fools' experiments. I am always making them."

But where, you have asked me, shall you begin? Begin with the very thing you mention: your home. Does it look like you? Do you go into it gratefully and look about it affectionately, doing on every curtain and ash tray? Or do you kick the nearest chair and mutter murrains of decoration that annoys you most and get rid of it. Like the character in the Mikado make "a little list" and one by one replace the things you hate by the things you love. To live in a surrounding that grates on you is one of the most virulent elements of uncertainty.

And don't let anyone dissuade you! I see Victorian families living amid Italian Renaissance styles, being inef­fably dreary, and they don't know why. I see ultra-moderns in Early Wrenianique who has chosen one great social move­ment as her field, she sticks to it, she really works, and as the years go by her abilities and also her enthusiasm have grown impressively.

Personally I feel that honest belief in a cause, and enthusiasm to back it up are the tests for joining it. No reason of policy, no getting in to meet "such nice people," or because one of your good friends is working in it, is a substitute for your own sincere conviction of its worth, and its suitability to your talents. And if you ever find yourself in an organization that bores and frustrates and irks you, get right out! Select a better channel for your energies.

Having boosted your selective powers by the right surroundings, and a social cause you can cheer about, now is the moment to work them on the things you do, and the people you see for diversion. Determine what fret­ters away your time, what fills it best. Then select. If you like movies better than the theatre, or vice versa, em­phasize your choice. If you can't keep awake during concerts, give them up for a good book. If you feel trapped and frustrated at late parties, rise and leave at the hour you choose. No one will notice particularly, except those who wish they had the courage to do the same. And if you have certain friends and acquaintances who make heavy but trivial demands on your strength and resources, and abuse your good nature, just draw away from them gradually, and find others less selfish, less difficult. A little discerning calcu­lation in the preliminaries of friendship will save you infinite waste later on; waste of your time, waste of your emotions, waste of your heart and spirit. Select your friends for ease and equality on both sides. A friendship weighted with too much obligation, too many demands, is shoddily stuff. Sele­tion, selection! Toujours selection!

Choice is the most precious of freedoms, to be guarded, cherished, and exercised with deep, thoughtful inten­tion. But be sure to keep a little leeway for the "fools' experiments" that Dar­win believed in, for trial and error, for change when change is inevitable. And throw in somewhere a handful of the bright confetti of humor and gaiety, of the clowning and downright nonsense that, after all, is the catalyst for the diverse elements of contented dreams and serene reality.

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Wardrobe duct in cowhide makes a good traveling set for an automobile trip. The man's wardrobe case is the 24" size, soft-sided in "Santana." $79.95 plus tax. Its matchmate, a woman's 21" wardrobe in the same color has pockets for shoes, accessories, is lined in satin, has plywood base, $89.50 plus tax. By Amelia Earhart Luggage.

Plaid twosomes are lightweight, good for air travel. The man's 40" suit bag will hold up to 5 suits, weighs about 6 lbs, $179.95 plus tax. The woman's dress bag, 54", holds up to ten dresses and weighs 7 lbs, $19.95 plus tax. Both cases have built-in metal frames for standing up, come in choice of red (Perth) or green (Glencoe) plaid. By Leed's Travelwear Corporation.

Fold-up bag in crushable cowhide will go anywhere, any way. Shown above in full size, it has a capacious interior to hold all the gear a man has to carry (from shaving kits and shorts to neckties and shirts). Folded up, at bottom, it fits into the pocket of a larger piece of luggage. The 20", 3-lb. size is $32.50 plus tax. It also comes in a convenient 18" size. By Oakleaf Luggage.
Dress carrier is smartly styled in charcoal gray with red and white stripes to go along with a well-dressed bride. The case is hard-sided and weighs 10 lbs. It is covered with a tough plastic coating for protection against the usual wear and tear that a suitcase gets. The carrier holds 12 dresses, has hangers to keep them in good shape. $49.50 plus tax. By Winship Luggage.

Duffel bag and matching travel bag are wonderfully light in weight for plane travel. It carry all of the extras that are so necessary for a trip. Duffel bag is 24" high, weighs approximately 2 lbs. $25.50 plus tax. Smaller bag has hard sides, is also $25.50 plus tax. Both are covered in a woven fabric, leather-bound. Greatrex & Son Ltd. of England.

Matched luggage for men and women is made from the lightest weight metal of all, magnesium (used in the manufacture of airplanes). It is perfect for air travel where extra pounds cost extra dollars. Man's luggage, top left, includes 21" Quick Tripper, 24" two-suiter and 26" pullman case; $25, $35 and $37.50 plus tax. It is available in Pilot tan, Jet gray and Rocket brown. The ladies' luggage, bottom left, comes in Airline gray. Flight blue, Vapor white, Pilot tan. Lining is sky blue or gold quilted taffeta. Interior fittings include plastic hangers, pocket straps and rod, and waterproof-lined pockets. The pieces shown include 29" pullman case, 21" O'Nite case and a 13" beauty case; $37.50, $45 and $22.50 plus tax. The Ultimate travel pieces are by Samsonite.

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How do you start a modest collection? Reputable booksellers, dealers, auction houses, agents, catalogue sources at local libraries, subscriptions to lists of all, and haunts of the second-hand book stalls are at everyone's elbow. But unless you have a rich and indulgent relative, you are advised to confine your quarry to one owner, or one period, and not try to spread your book-hunt investments across the board. Don't collect for speculation and trust to posterity to see the value of a late author's work skyrocket. It takes ten to twenty years or more after demise for a reprint in value (if any) of a well-known author's books. There are occasional exceptions such as Thomas Wolfe whose firsts are priced by his followers. Admirers of Shaw, Galsworthy, Conrad can usually locate most wanted volumes. Cabell, D. H. Lawrence, Sherwood Anderson, Frank Norris, Sinclair Lewis, Virginia Woolf, Katherine Mansfield, Elmore Wylie, all have a cult as collector's items. Some of their firsts have value and are relatively hard to come by. Only time can tell whether the instinct or hunch to acquire contemporary or modern British and American authors is anything but an intellectual gamble.

The trend today among university students and young marrieds is to collect first editions of modern poets. Auden, Isherwood, Eliot, Dylan Thomas. One couple we know, after seeing Eugene O'Neill's Emperor Jones on television, discovered the late, great playwright for the first time. The next day they set out to buy firsts of O'Neill. They were surprised to find that the prices asked were within their budget.

Any bookseller or dealer will tell you that supply and demand is the economic principle of book collecting. A perfect copy of the First Folio of Shakespeare was priced at $50,000 in 1946. Even more rare is Edgar Allan Poe's first book Tamerlane (1829). Searce, too, is a first of Dreiser's Sister Carrie; it would cost you far less to buy other Dreisers.

You can enjoy yourself and learn a good deal by studying descriptions of items in auction and dealer catalogues which read: "Scarce, rare, very rare, exceedingly rare, excessively rare." Then start in a modest way to build a library. Decide what subject matter interests you, who or what school of writers you admire. Often a personal enthusiasm for hobbies such as cookery, fishing, Colonial silver or Shaker furniture, leads you to hunt for old literature on your subject. Gradually this material becomes the hub of an interesting library. Firsts, very early firsts on the following subjects have value in the collectors' world: Christian Science, bee-keeping, boxing, almanacs, cookery, cycling, falconry, slavery, circus lore, flags, windmills, tea, witchcraft, Indian warfare.

It has been said that a pioneer book never goes begging. In 1955, along with a countrywide interest in folklore and folk music, young people are showing marked interest in regional books. They are collecting sources of their own roots, old pamphlets on state and town history, on paddle wheelers, river lore, on tuberculosis, Hoosier life, California gold rush times, New England legends and customs, home spun America at large. If this is your field you could take any period in U.S. history prior to World War I, and discover good hunting from the discovery and settlement, through the Revolution and the Civil War. A good juvenile collection started for a very young child, added to each year, one first edition at a time, is a thoughtful inheritance. Examples of early printing and hand lettering of them seem beautiful, are well worth your time and money, as are limited editions and fine bookplates.

Good firsts should be housed in slip cases made of stiff-backed cloth on cardboard. Keep rare first editions in leather slip cases. These precautions allow you to enjoy your collection without risk of loosening the backstrip when pulling books from shelves. Leather bindings can be kept plaintiff by brushing them with your hands now and then, for the oil from your skin is beneficial. Never write on the title page of any fine book, for this diminishes its value. An excellent reference book for collectors is The Care and Repair of Books by Harry Miller Lydenberg, and John Archer of the New York Public Library. Somewhat akin to starting young marrieds out with a set of book "classics" (for which there is no room), some fond relatives hope to foster musical taste by giving them recordings of the great traditional war horses which represent their own listening pleasure. These include standard opera arias, Madame Butterfly, the Triumphal March from Aida, the Ride of the Valkyries, the William Tell Overture, the Prize Song from Die Meistersinger, Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody, Chopin's Polonaise. These gifts are inevitably a waste of time and money. For almost more than individual taste in reading and in book collecting, young people have striking, often vehement preferences for certain types of music. They do not think that time is well spent in listening to other people's preferences. They would rather spend money modestly but enthusiastically on music of their own choosing. This, too, is a healthy trend, for eventually it leads to selectivity. And that, after all, is the spur towards starting a collection.

When young people first begin to listen to serious music they invariably start with romantic themes, such pieces as the 1st Tchaikowsky Concerto and the Ballet Suite, Schumann's Barcaro to, Debussy's Claire de Lune and L'Après-Midi d'un Faune, Enesco's Rumanian Rhapsody, or the andante from the Rhapsody in Blue. On the other side of the coin, what used to be known as light music, or "reper toire" music is virtually a nonentity to young listeners. They rarely buy Stephen Foster or Victor Herbert or Gilbert and Sullivan airs. Their only acquaintance with repertoire favorites (Continued on page 126)
of a past era is when old-time melodies turn up in new mambo arrangements.

Music and record shops tell us that what young people are collecting is show music, contemporary jazz records (the "coolest"), and folk music. In the orchestral field, those with a keenly developed interest in classical music are collecting Bach and Vivaldi recordings, with Haydn and Schumann as runners-up. Drop in and glance at any young married's music-book wall, and you find show music albums such as Pajama Game, Fanny, Carousel, Annie Get Your Gun, Call Me Madam, Can-Can, Silk Stockings, The Boy Friend, as well as long-playing records of show hits by individual artists such as the late, great Gertrude Lawrence.

But of more avid interest to collectors is folk music. There is an enormous trend in this field of record collecting and it girds the earth. Recordings are not just regional American, "hillbilly" airs and dialect, but Mexican, African, Spanish, Italian, Irish, Danish, Swiss, French, South African, Latin American. You will also find in these folk music collections, records of notable performers in the paitos of their countries, such as Edith Piaf's haunting evocations of Montmartre streets. This is genre music. Listening to any small well-chosen collection of such songs, ballads, and folk dances, is a musical education in itself.

Taste in opera recordings is specialized, and usually developed by young people studying for careers as singers and concert artists. Even in the contemporary field of opera there is only occasional demand for the works of composers such as Gian-Carlo Menotti.

Some collectors form preferences for one conductor, or one composer such as Villa-Lobos, or for recordings by a particular jazz orchestra such as Stan Kenton's. Others collect extremely avant garde modern music with the emphasis on strange cacaphonies, weird sound effects marked by dissonance. These records are for off-beat taste, and for anyone with extremely sensitive high fidelity equipment (and insensitive ears) they reproduce in all their fury.

Whether you own a $20 portable or have an excellent, built-in music reproducing system, your record collections have as much value as good first editions. They require the same careful handling. Research shows that many listeners inadvertently damage precious records by allowing dust and grit to wear down standard and micro-groove discs so that full range and total beauty is never fully realized. We came across a booklet of helpful tips on this subject called The Wear and Care of Records and Stylus, by Harold D. Weiler (Climax Publishing Co.), which you would do well to acquire.

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Refinishing wood floors

Making an old wood floor look like new requires two basic steps: 1. Sanding away the old finish and 2. Applying the new finish. Begin by removing everything from the room. Fasten loose boards with flooring nails and countersink all protruding nail heads with a nail set, so that the floor has an even surface. You should use two different sanding machines to remove the old finish from the floor. The drum sander is for the large floor area and the edge sander for working close to walls and door sills. These machines can be rented from hardware stores and do-it-yourself shops.

Three different grades of sandpaper are needed to give your floor a smooth surface, a high gloss, and an easy-to-maintain finish. For the first sanding, use 3½ (#20) coarse paper; second, 1½ (#40) medium; and for the third and final sanding, use 2/0 (#100) fine grade. Use these different grades in both sanders as you proceed. After fitting sandpaper into the drum sander, start at one wall of room and guide machine across floor in a straight line in the same direction as the floor strips. After each pass across the floor, pull the machine back in the same path. Overlap each pass by 2" to 3". Continue in the same way across the floor. If the floor is warped or ridged, it may be necessary to make the first pass on a diagonal to the flooring strip direction to get out the old finish that cannot be picked up with parallel passes. The succeeding strokes must be made in the direction of the strips.

When you have finished as much of the floor as the large sander will reach, sand around wall edges with edge sander and coarse paper. This completed.

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Floor repairs you can make

Cutaway view of typical floor shows: 1. wood joists that support entire floor of house. 2. sub-flooring boards which act as base and support for finish flooring. 3. building paper laid over sub-floor and, 4. wood strip finish flooring boards.

Wood wedge or shingle driven between joist and sub-flooring boards (if basement ceiling is open) will stop cracking caused by movement of sub-floor boards due to shrinkage or warping. Dip wedge in glue before using it.
change paper in both sanders to medium grade and repeat operation in the same way.

Some of the old finish will probably have to be removed with liquid varnish remover and a metal scraper. Small areas behind radiators, in corners and cracks cannot be reached with a sander. Use a stiff-blade scraper and a good paint and varnish remover spread liberally over the area. Let remover stand for the prescribed time, scrape up and clean off residue with #2 steel wool and alcohol. Let floor dry overnight before refinishing. You can cut the use of a scraper to a minimum by prying up the base shoe molding at the bottom of the baseboard before sanding. This will let the edge sander remove the old finish right up to the wall. When you have completed third sanding with fine sandpaper in both machines, vacuum or sweep floor so that no dust remains. On a wood block (parquet) floor, where it is impossible to sand with the grain of the flooring, remove old finish with a #3 or #2½ fine sandpaper. The finer paper will keep cross-grain scratching at a minimum.

Applying the finish
There are many floor finishes on the market from which you can choose. A penetrating sealer is among the best finishes available. It has fine consistency and works its way into the surface of the wood and will not chip, crack or peel as do many surface coatings. Penetrating sealers can be applied directly to the bare wood or over an oil stain. Apply your sealer finish soon after you have finished cleaning sanded floor so moisture can't get into floor and mar the finished appearance. A paste wood filler doesn't have to be used with penetrating sealers, since they have grain filling qualities of their own. You can apply and retouch penetrating sealers easily because lap marks do not show. Two coats should be enough. Wipe up excess with dry cloth or mop after each coat. Let the second coat dry overnight. Directions for applying different brands of penetrating sealers and varnishes and shellacs vary. Follow the instructions on the container. Penetrating sealers can be applied, without sanding, to floors previously finished with penetrating sealers. Floors must be cleaned first with the correct solvent or mineral spirits or turpentine to remove all wax. A wax finish is necessary with most sealers. It keeps dirt from grinding into wood.

Maintaining resilient flooring
The two worst enemies of resilient flooring are dents from furniture and hard scratching. Flat-bottomed furniture rests under table and chair legs will prevent denting. Wax resilient flooring regularly with waxes made by flooring manufacturers, or mild liquid soaps and detergents. Do not use abrasive cleaners. When you wax resilient flooring, apply several thin coats, not one heavy coat. Allow 20-30 minutes for wax to dry before polishing. Do not use solvent-type waxes. Vinyl flooring is less vulnerable to dirt than other resilient materials. Although not actually required, most manufacturers advise use of a water soluble, self-polishing wax in thin coats to improve appearance. Rubber flooring should always be waxed with a self-polishing wax unless the manufacturer recommends a polishing wax. Asphalt tile should be waxed with a polishing wax. Wax will keep cross-firing scratching at a minimum by pryin the base shoe molding up the wall. When you have completed third sanding with fine sandpaper in both sanders to medium grade and repeat operation in the same way.

Applying the finish
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How to take care of your carpets

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cleaner equipped to give it a deep wash and tumble dry, or have a professional cleaner come in and clean it on location.

Every carpet should be put in the hands of a professional carpet cleaner once a year (companies belonging to the National Institute of Rug Cleaning are reliable). You can't expect to do the thorough job at home that can be done in a regular plant. They have facilities for cleaning and drying both the back and the face, controlling shrinkage, restoring the texture. They can remove spots, re-dye and make repairs. If a spot has to be removed, the carpet must be cleaned first in order to insure a correct match. A professional carpet cleaner will also mothproof your carpet. This is a good precaution against moths and carpet beetles (which attack wool) and silverfish (which cotton, viscose, jute and paper are heir to). You can reinforce the professional job during the year by spraying the back and face of your rugs with DDT or an Aerosol bomb. At annual rug-cleaning time, it's a good idea to shift the carpet on your stairs (stair carpet wears out eight times faster than floor carpet), and reverse rugs wherever possible to distribute wear. When your carpeting is brand new, it may naturally show signs of shedding (or fluffing). This fuzz is nothing but bits of yarn that stick to the carpet pile after it has been sheared. Regular brush-ups and vacuuming will eventually remove the fluff. Occasionally carpets will sprout a tuft or loop that is longer than the rest. Your first reaction may be to pull out the tuft, but the thing to do is clip it off evenly. If you notice a difference in the shading of the carpet surface, it is only because some of the tufts are leaning in a different direction from the others. To help smooth it out, run your vacuum cleaner over it in one direction for a while.

You should also know something about first-aid treatments for carpets so that a spilled cocktail or other mishap won't cause chaos in your home. The first point is to act fast. Give a spot immediate attention before it settles down into the pile. Take up as much of the liquid as possible with a clean while muslin or white tissues or rags. This is an invisible sugar stain that will not recede, later to reappear.) If a stain or solution should go through, blot the surface as dry as you can and prop up the rug until the back dries. To speed drying, you can enlist the aid of vacuum cleaner attachments or an electric fan. Dry from back so stains will not recede, later to reappear.) If you notice a stain, let a professional cleaner do the job. Proper care and prompt attention will add years to the life of your carpet.

Stains that are most likely to send people into a panic are ink stains and nail polish, both of which you can remove if you keep your wits about you. If you spill ink on the rug, reach for your rubber gloves and a bunch of clean white tissues or rags. Sponge the stain from the outer edge into the center. Follow with the detergent solution, changing cloths frequently. Never use milk. Ink that has any in it will leave a brown or yellow stain which, like any rust stain, is a job for the professional rug cleaner. If you spill nail polish on a rug, apply chemically pure amyl acetate directly to the stain with an eye dropper, then in a few minutes sponge with a clean white unstarched cloth.

There is another type of stain called the delayed-action stain. It could happen if you spill a glass of fruit juice, ginger ale, soft drink, beer, or a cocktail or coffee. It could also happen when you are housebreaking a pet. This is an invisible sugar stain that dries, leaving no trace. Months later, after the spot has been exposed to direct sunlight (or to the heat used for drying rugs in professional rug-cleaning plants) a brown or rust stain will suddenly materialize. All the more reason, then, for prompt action always. The main idea is to work immediately and use as little solution as possible so as not to wet the carpet through. (If stain or solution should go through, blot the surface as dry as you can and prop up the rug until the back dries. To speed drying, you can enlist the aid of vacuum cleaner attachments or an electric fan. Dry from back so stains will not recede, later to reappear.) If you can't identify a stain, let a professional cleaner do the job. Proper care and prompt attention will add years to the life of your carpet.
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Electric broom serves as lightweight vacuum for daily brush-up. To empty, you simply remove cup in the handle. By Regina.

Canister-type vacuum already assembled has swivel top for reaching easily around a room. The rug cleaning brush flips over for bare floor. By General Electric.

Spot-removal kit includes dial card (left) with step-by-step directions, cleaners for different types of stains. By Servicemaster.

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needs a self-polishing water-base wax. Linoleum in kitchens and other hard-use areas should be waxed with a self-polishing wax for ease of maintenance. In living rooms and other areas of light traffic, use a paste or liquid polishing wax. Cork flooring should be waxed 2 or 3 times yearly with 2 or 3 thin coats of liquid polishing, liquid self-polishing, or paste wax. Buff when thoroughly dry. Most cork flooring is made with a penetrating sealer already applied. Find out from your dealer whether your floor is in this class. If not, coat the new cork tile floor with a clear penetrating sealer before waxing.

Repairing resilient flooring

A piece of torn or damaged linoleum can be replaced by cutting out rectangular area around tear and fitting in new piece cut to exactly the same size as old. Clean the floor surface under patch and cement new piece in place with linoleum adhesive bought at hardware or flooring store. Place heavy weight on patch and wipe away any adhesive that seeps around edges. Wax patch to blend with rest of floor.

If sheet linoleum comes loose at edge of room, roll back as far as possible and clean off old adhesive with scraper or warm water. When dry, apply fresh cement to floor surface with notched trowel and roll linoleum back into position. Weight down until cement has set.

To replace a damaged tile, pry up old one with rigid-blade scraper or chisel. Remove old adhesive from floor to make a clear, level base for new tile. Apply rubber tile adhesive to floor surface and set in new tile.

Sealing and waxing terrazzo, marble and clay tile floors

Terrazzo, marble and clay tile floors can be sealed and waxed in one operation with a commercial terrazzo seal. In new construction, the concrete joints between clay tile must be allowed to cure and dry before sealing. Floors must be thoroughly cleaned, rinsed and dried before applying sealer-finish in thin even coats with long-handled applicator. Let dry for at least 20 minutes and buff-polish. Porous floors may require two coats of sealer. Terrazzo sealers prevent the concrete (one ingredient in a terrazzo floor) from dusting, and bring out the color and gloss of the terrazzo, marble and clay tile. If your local wax dealer does not have terrazzo sealer, inquire at a janitor’s supply house or maintenance supply houses.

Concrete, brick and flagstone floors

New concrete and the cement joints in brick and flagstone must be allowed to cure and dry before sealing floor. Several months are usually necessary for the concrete to reach maximum strength and dry sufficiently so that sealer will adhere. A simple test for dryness consists of placing a 2" square piece of linoleum or a rubber mat on the floor. Weight down and leave for 24 hours. At the end of this period, if there are damp spots under this piece, the floor should be allowed to dry further until a retset shows no damp spot. Clean the floor with a commercial floor cleaner mixed with hot water. Any alkali in the floor has to be neutralized, as follows: Mop the floor generously with a solution of 3 to 4 lbs. of zinc sulfate per gallon of water. You can buy zinc sulfate at most paint stores. Allow 48 hours for the solution to react with the concrete and dry. The surface should then be rinsed with clear water to remove all of the chemical. Allow floor to dry thoroughly before proceeding further. Dam spots which may appear on the floor indicate inadequate rinsing. After the floor has been properly rinsed and thoroughly dried, brush well with a soft push broom to remove any surface dust. Seal floor with a commercial penetrating sealer using long-handled applicator or mop. On exceptionally smooth concrete, one part of neutral naphtha or mineral spirits should be added to one part of penetrating sealer to help sealer penetrate surface of concrete. Let the sealer set for 12 to 15 minutes. If a less concentrated sealer is used, 5 to 8 minutes should be enough. Remove excess with rags, taking care to leave no bright spots. Allow 4 to 6 hours to dry. In the case of concrete, a second coat of penetrating sealer at full strength may be applied in the same manner as the first. The sealer should be applied as soon after neutralizing and drying as possible. On “below grade” floors it is imperative that the sealer be applied within 24 hours after neutralizing and drying. For added gloss after sealing, use a self-polishing water base wax.

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Shopping Information

Cover
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"Nocturne" textured pure silk coverlet in white, completely lined, flat oblong bolster; pleated petticoat in silk shantung in meril; color; silk shantung square pillow cases, one pink, one fuchsia, all by Craig Creations.

"Clover" curtains, all-over embroidered clover pattern on organdy, by Ottavia.

Chair, aluminum headboard in rope design, 54", by Alum Furniture Company by Sandford, Inc.

Box spring and mattress, from Charles P. Rogers.

Painted metal bamboo two-tier table, at Doris Dessauer, N. Y.

Night table, designed by Paul McColb, has brass base, Carrara glass tops, two small drawers, through Directional Showrooms.

"Wanda Luxe" deep cut pile cotton rug, avocado green, loom-woven, pre-shrunk by Belgium Mills.

Cocklebreeze wire birdcage, made-to-order, with white wire stand, shelf, at Mayhew Shop, N. Y.

Blue opaline goblet, round ash tray, at Lee Styles, Inc., Orleans House, N. Y.

White columnar lamp, marbledize in subtle gray, custom-made white opaque shade, through Kardex.

Buffet table
Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on page 103. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden Reader Service.

"Reigning Beauty" sterling flatware, meat fork, service spoon, by Heirloom Sterling.

Hurricane lamp, champagne glasses, by West Virginia Glass.

"Dawn" china dinner plates, pastels on white, blue glass candle holders, by Rosenthal-Block.

Gilley brass individual electric warmer, with white wire stand, shelf, at Doris Dessauer, N. Y.

Baker's rack; pleated petticoat in silk shantung, from Italy, all at Alice Marks, N. Y.

Photographed in the apartment of Doris Pierce.

Right:
Nest of three tables, brass with glass tops, at Doris Dessauer, N. Y.

"French Provincial" sterling silver flatware, luncheon size, by Alvin Silver Corp.

"Princess Place" crystal goblets, wines, by Tiffany & Co.

"Platinum Wave" china, through Ebeling & Reuss Co.

"Burkely" vas-converted, solid color linen napkins, Leacock & Co.

"Modern Classic" sterling silver flatware, hand-hewn by Waerlsila-Notsjoe, Finland, through Waertsila Corp.

"Clover" curtains, all-over embroidered from Italy, all at Alice Marks, N. Y.

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Dinner party
Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on page 104. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden Reader Service.

"Glorielle" china with smoky-green rim, field flowers in white, gold bands on shoulder and edge, by Lenox.

"Crystal Rain" goblets, wine glasses, by Tiffany Glass Makers.

"Richeland" sterling silver flatware, serving spoon, cold meat fork; breakfast dish, cigarette urn, ash tray, by International Silver.

Three-drawer birchwood chest from "Cadence" group, by Heywood-Wakefield.

A good party
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Page 105, left:
Gio Ponti ash chairs covered with pastel plastic, through Altamira.

"Spring Blossom" linen cloth, 52" square, in maxmum pure linen napkins in assorted colors, by Leacock and Co.

"Old French" sterling silver, luncheon size, by Gorham Silver Co.

"Burlap" linen napkins, by Leacock & Co.

"Modern Classic" luncheon size sterling silver flatware, through Waertsila Corp.

"Modern Classic" sterling silver flatware, by Lunt Silversmiths.

"Modern Classic" silver dinner plates, by Lunt Silversmiths.

"Saratoga" cocktail goblets, by Fostoria Glass Co.

Page 106, top left:
"Modern Classic" silver dinner flatware, by Lunt Silversmiths.

"Lyric" crystal wine glasses, by Fostoria Glass Co.

"Marjatta" crystal decanter, hand-blower, "Marjatta" pattern, by Fostoria Glass Co.

"Lyric" crystal wine glasses, by Fostoria Glass Co.

"Princess Plain" crystal goblets, wines, by Tiffany & Co.

"Rose Marie" glassware, black mahogany tray, all at Saks Fifth Avenue, N. Y.

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Page 106, left:
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"Richelieu" sterling flatware, serving spoons, cold meat fork; breakfast dish, cigarette urn, ash tray, by International Silver.

"Fairway" glassware, black mahogany tray, all at Saks Fifth Avenue, N. Y.

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Top right:
"Constellation" china, white with gold stars; Pasco glassware, goblets with drawn through Paul A. Straub.

"Modern Classic" luncheon size sterling silver flatware, by Lunt Silversmiths.

Three-tiered brass and glass serving cart, by Lunt Silversmiths.

Stainless steel chafing dish with burner, tull white ceramic pepper shakers, at Georg Jensen.

Black and gold star trays, papier-maché; large berry lacquer, through Ignaz Strauss Co.

Yellow linen napkins, Leacock & Co.

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Kitchen

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 110, 111, 113. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden Reader Service.

Page 110:

Oven broiler unit in satin chrome finish, built-in two burner unit, by Caloric Stove Corp. Black Myth pattern countertops, by St. Regis Panelyte. Twin blower fan and “Brass” range hood, by Nutone, Inc. “Leucos” Lusterstone three bowl “Sit Down” sink top, by Elkay Mfg. Co. Mustard telephone, by Illinois Bell Telephone Co. 7-piece set stainless steel tools with persimmon plastic handles, by Parker-Gaines. All cabinets in kitchen are New Shading Shape, nutmeg with brass hardware and hinges, by The Kitchen Maid Corp.

Page 111:

Refrigerator; Automatic Icemaker, by Sertil, Inc. Dunlop Bathtub-Dryer, by Crosley & Bendix Home Appliances Division, AVCO Manufacturing Corp. Faloob, single regular, 10’ wide by 10’/1/2’ high, by Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co. All other merchandise is the same as shown on page 110.

Page 113, upper right:

Green and Gray Marble vinyl tile, by Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. All other merchandise is the same as shown on page 110.

Any room an extra guest room

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 120-125. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden Reader Service.

Page 120, lower left:

Solid walnut sofa-bed, brass grill on arms, cushions and bolsters of foam rubber (designed by Bertha Schaefer); solid walnut arm chair, foam rubber seat (designed by Gio Ponti); round table of brass and glass, all by M. Singer & Sons. Red crystal box, stainless steel ash tray, green ceramic bowl (by Tissot), two-tier Biedermeier side table, walnut and cane with glass top; wooden pedestal coffee table, simulated marble paint; octagonal top; Bannister lamp with gold leaf finish, shade of beige silk over paper; gray-white painted Directoire ottoman with down and rubberized hair cushion, all at Bonnies, N. Y.


Lower right:


Page 121, lower left:

“Riviera” Con-Sealy-Bed, saddle seat, foam rubber covered in textured boucle in “Coke,” sleeps two, by Sealy-Needlepoint Co. Round table with teak top, beech base; side chair of teak with sisal cord seat; teak Swedish slide desk; nest of three tables with teak and oak base, all from George Tanier, Inc. Black and brass hanging fixture, Aspen-splat shade, through Lighting Associates. Danish white glaze ceramic lamp with square translucent linen shade, by Hansen Lamps. All seashells, at MacArthur Shell Shop, N. Y.


Page 122, top:

Perfect Sleeper Junior Sleep Set, box spring, inner spring mattress on tapered blond legs, by Serta Associates, Inc. White aluminum and cane chair, Italian import; Hans Wegner oak table with rattan shell; white stone ware base lamp with pleated paper shade; American scroll, “Birds,” by Paul Boone, all at Bonnies. White ceramic flower pot, through Carbone, Inc.

Green covered ceramic candy dish, at Bloomingdale’s, N. Y. Table radio from Driscoll Decorator Series, available in six color combinations, by RCA. Bedspread made of “Topsail” cloth in Naples blue, by Wellington Sears Co. Decorative “Lazy-back” pillows, round and square, with removable covers, by Nettle Creek Industries, Inc.

Bottom:


Onyx ash tray, leaf dish, cigarette box with malachite trim, all at Bonwit Teller, N. Y.

Page 123, upper left:

“Wonderlight” summer-weight blanket, 7/8-all wool, 7/8 nylon, nylon satin binding, by Springsfield.

“Vinyl-Cork” print on combed percale patterned sheet and pillowcase; (Continued on page 180)
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Giuseppe Napoli, at Korman Gallery.
Brass hanging fixture, by Lighting Associates.
Gold leather cigarette box, blue leather menu box, white leather thermomter, blue leather small screen ash tray, all through Barboos, Ltd.
Pre-Columbian Mexican belt ornament and Haida Indian oil boat, at Alva Studios, N. Y.
Pine shutter doors, by U. S. Shutters, Inc.
White "Ariel Lattishade" blind, by Columbia Mills.

How to choose fabrics

Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 132-133. For prices on the items below write to House & Garden Reader Service.

1 page 132, sketch, swatch, top:
"Alborg" hexagonal motif printed on cotton Clipper cloth, 48" wide.
Bottom sketch, swatch, top left:
"Touraine" printed on cotton Clipper cloth, 48" wide.
Swatch at bottom left:
"Ravenna" block design, tones of blue and metallic gold on white heavy cotton (also available on sheer), 48" wide. All by Waverly Fabrics.

Page 133, top:
Vanity desk with plastic top, slat-back arm chair with panelled back, headboard with bevel edge, of birchwood from "Cadence" group, available in four finishes. Armless lounge chair of spring construction with foam rubber cushion. Revolving-top cocktail table from "Ashcraft" group. All by Heywood-Wakefield.

Page 124:
"Ambassador" Hide-A-Bed opens up into two single-size beds, covered in "Slate" shag Mohair, Beautyrest or Deep sleep mattresses, by Simmons Company.
Fantastico Arni marble-top table, brass base, at Italian Marble Mart.
Walmart credenza made by Craftsman's Village, for Ficks Reed Co.

Page 125, upper left:
Castle Chair Bed with No-Sag steel springs covered by rubberized hair and felt, pin-welt and button trim, legs in Empire or Modern design (also available with arms), by Restonic.
Tile-top table with mahogany frame, through Arthur Leaman.
Brass floor lamp with translucent linen shade, by Hansen Lamps.

Center left:
"Crocade" sheets and pillowcase, by Dan River Mills.
All other merchandise is the same as shown at upper left, same page.

Upper right:
Right and left sectionals by Turn-A-Bed, of foam rubber, with backs of rubberized hair; brass and glass corner table with white micarta top, cane and brass snack tables, all through The Elmer I. Klein Co.
"Natura Morta" oil painting on wood by
Shopping Information continued from page 180

Bottom left:
Alternate color scheme. "Siamese Fantasy" spun rayon sheer, 48" wide (also available on antique satin), by Waverly Fabrics.

Top close-up, at right:
"Dumbarton" cotton, rayon and metallic tweed upholstery material, 48" wide, by Waverly Fabrics.

Center close-up, at right:
"Etruscan" rayon and cotton antique satin, 48" wide, by Waverly Fabrics.

Bottom close-up, at right:
"Gold Chip" linoleum, by Sloane-Delaware.

Care of your carpets
Here is the shopping information for the merchandise shown on pages 156 and 173. For prices on the items below write to H&G Reader Service.

Page 156, top:
Sweeiminister carpet sweeper has dial control for adjusting to carpet thickness, lightweight, extra large dustpan; available in Inca Green, Aztec Copper, Smoke Gray, by Bissell Carpet Sweeper Co.

Bottom:
Universal upright cleaner has giant-size vibrating brush to loosen and sweep up dirt, suction regulator, disposable paper bags, by Landers, Frary & Clark.

Page 173, top left:
Lightweight (65% lbs.) Electrikbroom hangs on hook for storage, has removable dirt cup, available in two-tone driftwood and copper, by Regina Corp.

Top right:

Bottom left:

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**Pots and pans** take on new shapes, new color combinations. Continental Ware is porcelain enameled in marbled black with white inside over heavy steel for durability, squared in shape for good looks. Chicken fryer, $8.00; casserole saucepot, 2½ qts., $7.50. By *Belmont Co.*

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Skewer nails of aluminum cut potato baking time in half. Greased and inserted lengthwise, they carry the oven heat to the center of the potatoes, speed up baking, keep them from bursting and make them fluffy throughout. Set of six, 29c. Nichols Wire & Aluminum Co.

Whistling tea kettle now comes in color to match Royal Dru porcelainized cast-iron kitchen utensils. Holds 30 oz. In Delft green or Delft blue with hand decoration, $7.95. Evans International.

Perforated spoon has three handy uses: drains, cuts, serves. Big enough for generous servings, it drains vegetables or cuts them with the serrated edge into serving portions. Especially good for watery vegetables such as cauliflower, broccoli, or peas. Chromium plated over bronze, $1.29. M. F. Mayer.

Shears like these are as useful as an extra pair of hands in the kitchen. They have a dozen daily uses: they cut through poultry bones, dice meat, trim fish, shred vegetables, cut fruits and flowers. They open bottles, screw caps and substitute for tack hammer, screw driver. Flint stainless steel, $4.95. Elco Products Co. (Continued on page 187)
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Sliceholder makes dicing, slicing, shredding vegetables easier, safer. Holds food firmly, protects fingers. In natural wood, it slips into wall rack holding 3 knives. $2.95 complete. Roblex Products.

Rolling pin for turning out tasty pizzas is long enough to roll dough out to fit the biggest pan; thin enough to handle lightly for a crisp crust. Of hardwood, 23" long, 1 1/2" diameter, red handles, $1 with pizza recipes. Ekco.

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Fringed rolls are easy to make and look pretty with any place setting. To make, fold bottom edge up to meet a point about 1/2 of the napkin width. Fold the top edge down to form a slightly narrower fold. Press folds with warm iron and roll into a cylinder.

Cockscombs lend an air of festivity to a table and they're fun to make. Fold napkin in half twice, forming a 4-thickness square. Fold again into a triangle. With free points of napkin toward you, bring the open sides of triangle to meet. Tuck overlapping ends under, pull up points for comb.

Openwork folds are a good solution for scalloped napkins. Turn top edge down to meet a point about 1/4 width of the napkin. Turn bottom edge up until it's about 1" from the other edge. Now turn napkin over, fold left edge toward you about 1" and bring right edge to about 1" from left. Fold napkin in half by tucking right side under.

Scalloped center fold is made with a square napkin (one with contrasting edge is very effective). Fold in half to form triangle and repeat to form second triangle. Bring long points of triangle to meet at top point. Press folds down and lay a fresh flower on top.

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Pleated center fold is made with a perfectly plain napkin. Turn opposite ends of napkin in slightly and press with warm iron. Bring the folded ends to center until they meet. Press. Take the remaining folded ends toward the center until they almost meet and press. Fold open ends to meet in back.

Rose fold is fun to make, pretty to look at. To make it, bring the 4 corners of a napkin in to meet at a center point. Repeat step with the new formed square. Turn napkin over, bring 4 points to center again. The remaining steps consist of pulling out hidden corners to form the petals. Set fresh flowers in the center.

Slipper fold is made by folding a napkin in 4 equal parts, lengthwise. Fold both top corners down to meet in a straight line. Take left outer edge and fold toward center. Repeat step with right outer edge so that both meet. Now fold both sides of napkin in together. To form back section of slipper cuff, take rear front flap and fold under and up. Take remaining rear flap, turn down and tuck point into fold of slipper. Use remaining flap, fold down on both sides for cuff.

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Wrong

Cezanne water color loses some of its strength and vitality when it is put in a clumsy, overpowering frame (left), and its delicate color washes are drained by the yellow mat. Simple, linear frame (right) with natural linen mat and narrow gold insert brings it back to life.

Wrong

Dutch landscape of the 18th century requires a frame that adds to its feeling of perspective. The severe frame (above) flattens the details of the landscape and darkens the colors. The gold-washed period frame (bottom right) sharpens the details and mood of the picture. Linen insert provides just the right amount of separation between the picture and frame.

Right
Wrong

Oil portrait by 15th-century Flemish painter Memling is far more impressive in a simple setting (right) than in an ornate gold frame (left). Carved frame and wide mat are out of scale with the picture. Straight wood frame with narrow velvet insert adds to the character and dignity of the portrait.

Right

Still life by cubist Juan Gris seems to fight with the fussy, narrow frame (left). It is closed in, its geometric planes compressed and distorted, so that the overall effect is disturbing to the eye. The bold, simple frame (below), of textured gesso in a narrow black shadow-box, gives the painting room to breathe. Subtle silver insert is a final touch that seems to light up the picture.

Wrong

French woodcut of 17th century has very little individuality when it is framed like any other print (far left), with paper mat and gilt frame. Lighter wood frame (left), linen mat and gold leaf insert bring out the colors and charm of the picture.

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harmonize with it. A plain, simple molding is appropriate for a subject treated simply. The period of the painting need not necessarily dictate the type of frame.

Some pictures also have a three-dimensional feeling. The right frame will enhance the feeling of perspective. Unless you use a concave frame (one that slants toward the painting) on certain still lifes or scenes, the picture will flatten out. But never allow the frame to overpower the picture; it should always be secondary. Originally, frames were nothing more than architectural moldings made to fit panel paintings into the walls of churches. The craft developed gradually and is today regarded as a minor art itself. Many oil paintings of different periods, because of their very richness of texture, are enhanced by the warm tone of a gilded frame. However, during the 19th century, gold leaf was used indiscriminately on everything. Today, just as we use much more natural wood and stone in our houses and our decoration, it is likely that we shall experiment with different materials in the mats and frames of our pictures. You may like a frame that is frameless, that is, the mat is tinted to blend with the picture), plastic inlays, or paper simulating marble or tortoise shell. But, as Mr. Heydenryk emphasizes, “Be sure the frame does not compete with the picture, plastic inlays, or paper simulating marble or tortoise shell. Much of the painting. This also applies to the frame. Very often, when a canvas can be hung unframed, as was done in New York’s Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum where the white walls themselves serve as frames. This is called “space framing” and requires lots of empty wall space around the picture and a clear area in front. It can be spectacular on a long, unbroken wall of an entrance hall or a large open living room that is not overfurnished. Unframed paintings on canvas, while they have no visible means of support, are actually mounted on what is called a stretcher. The stretcher must be exceptionally strong in order to keep the canvas in line. The best-made ones will have as many crossbars for extra support as the size of the canvas demands.

There is one other type of picture which doesn’t need an obvious frame: the trompe l’oeil painting. A frame would destroy its delightful make-believe quality.

When you are choosing a frame, you must also ask yourself whether or not you need some transition between the picture and the frame. Very often a picture with much depth benefits from a colored beveled molding or insect that separates it from the frame glass. Sometimes it is needed. This type can be of wood (natural, painted or finished in gilt or silver) or covered in linen, silk or velvet. Today, linen inserts are as popular as velvet used to textured gesso (tinted to blend with the picture) on canvas, while they have no glass in certain light is apt to behave like a mirror you may prefer to use a special non-reflecting glass. Originally developed for TV screens, it is available for picture framing at about the price of ordinary glass. You may notice, (Continued on page 197)

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Some water colors and gouaches (combination water colors and white pigment) have the strength of an oil painting and should be treated in the same way. However, most water colors are not usually as strong as oils and they need more area around them to expand in. The same is true of drawings. Framing them becomes a matter of choosing the right mat as well as the frame. Contrary to what you may think, white mats are not a good choice for water colors. The contrast between them is apt to be so great that the picture darkens and flattens out. It is better to choose a subtle color that will accentuate the important colors in the picture. The texture of the mat can vary, too, according to the strength of the picture. A strong Rouault, for example, may lend itself to a heavy linen mat and gold frame, whereas an airy composition by Vuillard calls for a lighter, more delicate treatment. Today, linen mats seem to be the most popular with artists and decorators alike. In many cases you will see an inconspicuous gilt fillet used between the linen mat and the picture to bring out the coloring. You actually have a choice of every kind of mat; French mats (suitable for old prints) to textured mats of wood or cork that have a mellow and almost architectural feel. If you are framing a Chinese or Japanese drawing or water color, don’t be a victim of clichés. Fake bamboo is not the answer. One nice solution is a shantung mat and Chinese half-round molding with carved corners. Bamboo (the real thing) makes an unusual frame for botanical prints or pen drawings which have a light feeling. Much of the graphic art looks best when you use a simple molding rather than a clumsy frame.

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**Portrait framing**

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Your choice of a frame should be influenced by only one thing: the picture itself. You shouldn't have to worry about whether or not the frame will go with your decoration. If the picture is right for your room and the frame is right for the picture, the frame will be right for your room. The picture should be the deciding factor.

**Hanging pictures**

It will be easier for you to decide how and where to hang your pictures if you think in terms of enjoying them rather than displaying them. You should notice a picture gradually rather than have it block your way. If you have one important painting, by all means give it a prominent position on the wall, but in such a way that it looks as if it belongs in the room. You don't always have to hang a painting high on the wall at so-called eye level. When you hang a painting, you should consider it in relation to the nearest piece of furniture, the lighting and important accessories (sculpture, flowers, etc.), and make it part of a large unit of your room. A large canvas will naturally be a focal point in a room, but there is no set reason why it must be hung directly in the center of a wall. Some of the most effective arrangements are those in which the painting is given an off-center position over a fireplace or sofa. Furthermore, don't be afraid to hang your pictures in unexpected places: punctuating a wall of books, attracting the eye in an entrance hall, adding interest to a room-divider or a mirrored wall. The determining factor should be where you want to look at the painting, where it will give you most pleasure. And there is no rule which says a picture must "hang." You can stand a small picture on a chest or table where it can be seen and enjoyed in a more intimate way.

Grouping pictures on one wall requires more thought and care than many people realize. It is not a matter of filling a wall with a conglomeration of odds and ends, nor is it simply lining up row upon row of pea-in-a-pod prints framed exactly alike. Here are some sensible rules for you to follow when you group pictures: (1) Keep the lower line of the pictures fairly straight, and the upper line loose so that the eye will follow. (Keeping this rule in mind, you can combine drawings, oils and water colors; it's a matter of feeling, not just hanging.) (2) Arrange the pictures so that the placement of dark and light values forms a definite pattern which the eye will follow. (Keeping this rule in mind, you can combine drawings, oils and water colors; it's a matter of feeling, not just hanging.) (3) Choose a variety of sizes, rather than sets of a single size. (4) If you have but a few pictures, group them together in a relatively small, intimate area, such as a writing or reading corner.

As far as background colors are concerned, you'll find that pastel or white walls will create the best atmosphere. Textured wallpapers and grasscloth also make good backgrounds, particularly for groupings of strong drawings and lithographs. If you are hanging pictures on walls that are papered, in a small geometric or Provincial pattern for example, be sure the composition of the pictures is larger in scale and simple in coloring.

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RED TABLE WINES: These are usually dry, and accompany main-course dishes.

There are two types, Burgundy and Claret, and they both rarely exceed an alcoholic content of 12%. They should be served at room temperature, or slightly below. Burgundy-type table wines should be completely dry, full bodied, rich in flavor and aroma, and deep red in color. Claret-type table wines should be completely dry, light or medium bodied, with a fruity taste and aroma. Rather a newcomer in America is a third type of red wine called rosé. This is literally a rose-colored wine, with a delicate grape sweetness, without being sweet. It is light bodied, fragrant and fruity, and goes pleasantly with any food with which wine can be drunk. It should be served chilled.

WHITE TABLE WINES: These vary from extremely dry and rather tart to sweet and full bodied, and their delicate flavor blends best with white meats, fowl and seafood. Their colors range from pale straw to gold. They should be served chilled. Their alcoholic content is the same as red table wines. There are two types of white table wines: Sauterne and Rhine. In America there are three kinds of Sauterne; dry, medium and sweet. The latter may be labeled "Haute" or "Chateau" Sauterne. Sweet Sauternes go best with desserts. In America, Rhine wines are thoroughly dry, rather tart and light bodied, and of pale gold color. Also in America are white table wines similar to the white Burgundy wines of France. They are delicate, straw colored, and less tart than the Rhine wines, with a more fruity flavor and heavier body.

DESSERT WINES: These are sweet, fully bodied wines served with desserts and as refreshments in the afternoon and evening. Their alcoholic content is usually around 20%. The four types are Port, White Port, Muscatel and Tokay.

SPARKLING WINES: The two most popular types are Champagne and Sparkling Burgundy, both of which are effervescent. Champagne may be either straw colored, pink, or red. It ranges from completely dry (usually labeled "Brut"), semi-dry (labeled "Extra Dry," "Dry," or "Sec"), and sweet (usually labeled "Doux"). Champagne can be served before dinner, with or without appetizers, with almost any dinner entreé, and with dessert. Sparkling Burgundy is red, full bodied and moderately dry. It goes best with red meats and game.

It is well worthwhile to get acquainted with American wines for they are good and not too expensive. You need no great knowledge of viticulture.

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or vintage years or rituals of serving to enjoy them. Forget all the nonsense about each type of wine needing a special glass. Your aperitif wines, sherry and vermouth, can be served in cocktail glasses or old fashioned glasses if "on the rocks." Table wines are usually served in five-to-six-ounce stemmed glasses which might cost about 40¢ apiece. Of course, crystal adds to the attractive appearance of wine and if you have such, use it by all means. When serving wine, fill the glasses only two-thirds full.

Basically American wines come from three principal districts, California, Ohio, and New York State. In California, there are three localities close to San Francisco which have cool climates favorable to the slow ripening of grapes and thus producing the best red and white table wines. These are the Sonoma and Napa Valleys, the Livermore-Contra Costa area, and the Santa Clara-Santa Cruz district. The San Joaquin Valley produces fine dessert wines. Warner Southern California produces sweet wines. In Ohio, the best wine-producing area is the Sandusky-Lake Erie Islands in the northern part of the state. The Finger Lakes region in West Central New York State is the most important wine-producing area in the country outside of California.

Wine type names are of two origins. Names such as Burgundy, claret (the British names for red Bordeaux table wines), Sauterne, Rhine, Chablis, and Champagne came into use centuries ago as the names of the wines of the Old World viticultural districts which were famous for those particular types of wine. As the wine types became widely known, the same names were applied to all wines, wherever grown, which had similar type characteristics. Such names are called generic names of geographical origin.

The other wine type name is varietal, and a wine is called a varietal wine when the wine is named for the principal grape variety from which the wine is made. Such names as Cabernet, Pinot Noir, Gamay, Riesling, Semillon, Pinot Blanc and Traminer are varietal names. But each one falls within one of the big general categories mentioned above. Thus Cabernet and Zinfandel are both clarets but with the special flavors and aromas of the grape varieties used, while Johannisberg Riesling and Sylvaner are, broadly speaking, Rhine wines. In the eastern United States there are a number of varietal wines named after native American grapes such as Isabella, Ives and Norton (reds) and Diamond, Diana, Dutchess, Iona (whites). It is generally conceded that the best American wines have varietal names, an important buying point.

The following is a list of the principal red and white American table wines. It describes their general characteristics, the food that they go best with and the temperature at which they should be served.

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*DRY SEMILLON: Sauterne type. California. This is not a true Riesling wine, but it is soft, mild and refreshing, light in body and sprightly in character. Serve chilled with seafood, fowl, and light entrees.

HAUT SAUTERNE: Sauterne type. Generic. California. Ohio and New York. This name is usually applied to American sauterne wines which are sweeter than dry sauterne. A dessert wine.


PINOT CHARDONNAY: White Burgundy type. California. Another one of the finest California wines, but scarce. Delicately fragrant, aromatic, rich in body. Excellent chilled with seafood and chicken.

RUTGREN: Rhine wine type. Varietal. New York and Ohio. Usually undistinguished in America, often made from table grapes. For those

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Wines

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fining a wine comparable to the fine German Rhine wines, or Alsatian wines, a Johannisberg Riesling, a Sylvaner or a Traminer should be selected.

Riesling: Rhine wine type. Generic, California, Ohio and New York. A dry, fresh, clean wine, very good if made from the Riesling grape. But little of it really is. Better buy the Grey Riesling or the Johannisberg Riesling. Serve chilled with seafood and fowl.

Sauvignon: Sauterne type. Generic, California, Ohio and New York. Wines so labeled can be made from almost any grape. Ohio, however, produces a delicate, semi-sweet sauterne labeled "Late St. George," which is delightful.

Sauterne: Sauterne type. Generic, California, Ohio and New York. A fruity wine of extreme dryness, full bodied, and of superb quality. Excellent chilled, with almost any meal, but best with shellfish and fowl. There is also a semi-sweet and sweet Sauvignon Blanc. The semi-sweet goes with chicken, and the sweet with desserts.

Sauvignon Blanc: Sauterne type. Varietal, California. A rich, full bodied sauterne, fairly sweet. It is a wine to serve chilled with desserts, and is wonderful in punches and cups.

Sylvaner: Rhine wine type. Varietal, California. This is more of an Alsatian wine than a Rhine. It is light, fresh, soft and a little tart. Goes particularly well with desserts.

Traminer: Rhine (or Alsatian) type. Varietal, California. A fine dry wine of fragrant bouquet and bowery flavor. Some experts have called the Charles Krug Traminer California's finest white wine. Serve chilled with seafood, chicken and veal.

White Pinot: (See Pinot Blanc.)

The wine names preceded by an asterisk are, in my opinion, the very best American wines.

The prices of the above varietal wines may run anywhere from a little more than $1 a bottle (fifth) to $2 a bottle, with two or three running up to nearly $3 a bottle. I would say the average would be about $1.45 per fifth. The generic wines are priced below the varietal wines, and in many cases may be purchased well under $1, and even cheaper if bought by the half gallon or gallon.

A new type of wine has recently made its appearance on the market. It comes from California, and is called an old-fashioned table wine. It is on the dry side, "mellow," as one vintner puts it. They are in no sense premium quality wines, and connoisseurs would wrinkle their noses in disdain at them. But they are very pleasant, especially for everyday drinking, and their price puts them within the reach of almost everyone. They sell for from 95 cents to 99 cents for a half gallon. As far as I know, there are 23 California wine producers who bottle these wines, such as the Gallo Wine Company, under the label "Vino Paisano," the Petri Wine Company, under the label (Continued on page 203)
“Marca Petri,” and the Wine Growers Guild, under the label “Vino da Tavola.” For budget-wise families who enjoy wine with their meals, these wines are decidedly worth a trial.

There are a number of large wine companies which bottle wines that sell for around 50c to 75c a fifth. These are almost exclusively generic wines, and they are just ordinary. Some of these large companies also bottle premium wines, notably Cresta Blanca and Italian Swiss Colony.

Champagnes are bottled in many sections of the country, but in my opinion, and the opinion of many others, the finest American champagnes come from New York State. They are excellent, and superior to all but the great French champagnes. The two leading brands are Gold Seal, bottled by the Urbana Wine Company of Hammondsport, New York, and Great Western, bottled by the Pleasant Valley Wine Company of Rheims, New York. Paul Masson, of California, produces and bottles the only authentic red (not pink) champagne, and calls it “Triple Red Champagne.”

In the field of vermouths, I must confess that I cannot enthuse over the American dry vermouths. Many people consider Tribuno dry vermouth the best. But for straight dry vermouth, or for a dry vermouth in mixing martinis, pay a dollar or so more, and get Noilly Prat. On the other hand, I have tasted some excellent American sweet vermouths, both by themselves, chilled, and in cocktails.

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Woman can be good bartenders. They can also be racing drivers and trial lawyers and surgeons. But as each of these professions demands considerable concentration and as a wife cannot be exclusively focussed on what people want to drink before a lunch or dinner party, it is only sensible for the husband, that is, this essential realm his own. Men make natural bartenders because they are naturally interested in the subject (not every woman is). They can often remember, without the slightest effort, that Mr. X, who came to the house six months ago, enjoyed a pink gin while his wife preferred Dubonnet with a little lemon peel. The born bartender will put his heart into filling these simple desires and thus earn his reputation as a good host. Men also, notoriously, go for gadgets and the bar business is packed with them. The majority are useful and all promote personal confidence.

It is essential that the party bartender have a basic repertoire which he can fall back upon instinctively and almost without measuring. Most men know how to make a passable martini, which is the number one request. Errors in this line are liable to be on the strong-dry side rather than the opposite. So it is, too little vermouth and too little stirring. Unless you are dubious of the quality of your dry vermouth, it should constitute roughly one quarter of the final drink. It obviously pays to invest in the best because you will then use more of it, and vermouth is the less expensive ingredient. People who demand an In and Out (the glasses washed out with vermouth which is then discarded) should be told about a straight gin on the rocks which is probably what they are aiming for in the first place.

Number two request is “on the rocks.” The tradition is an exacting one which cannot hold up if your liquor is not of top quality. But there are slight variations which can make good medium-price liquor taste tops in another way. You might want to work them up as your own specialties which guests will remember and ask for again and again. For instance, instead of a Bourbon or rye on the rocks, why not make a toddy as they serve it in St. Louis, which still considers itself a part of the Old South? In the bottom of an old fashioned glass, put a coffee-spoonful (or small lump) of sugar. Soften with water and then muddle with a thin slice lemon, lime, or orange. Fill the glass with cracked ice and pour your Bourbon, rye, or Canadian up to the brim. Scotch drinkers are purists but can be let in on this game by another name, the Scotch Mist. Put a touch of honey or Drambuie at the bottom of a glass with a spiral of lemon peel. Muddle slightly without breaking peel. Pack with cracked ice and fill up with peaty, heathery Scotch.

The third most popular type of drink is the Manhattan. Unlike the martini, which is usually parchingly dry, this one tends to be too sweet. Here is a way of making your own personal version of the Manhattan which guests will like and also remember. It was launched very recently under the name of Rosa Reo (red rose). Combine 2½ parts Four Roses Whiskey with one part Tio Pepe dry sherry. Stir, don’t shake. The addition of a red rose petal in each glass is seasonal, not obligatory.

Once you can produce these few classic drinks effortlessly (after due preparation) for small and larger dinners, you might consider the Sunday night supper which is illustrated on page 106, and the little evening for two (page 105) which usually commences an anniversary of some kind.

The answer to the first one might be a red wine punch. Make it with a claret-type wine and frozen strawberries. Pour half a bottle of cognac over the berries and leave to steep in the refrigerator for a couple of hours. Ask your wife, well ahead of time, to shell two dozens almonds and plunge the kernels in boiling water so that the skins rub off. In a punch bowl put a large lump of ice. Disclose cognac-soaked berries and almonds around it, fill with two bottles of claret and one of club soda. Be sure that every ladleful contains some of the fruit and nuts at the bottom of the bowl.

For after theater nothing could be better than the following Marquise de Champagne punch. Dissolve one sixth pound sugar in a wineglass of port. Mix this with the juice of two oranges (preferably blood oranges). Stir in a pint of soda water and a bottle of very cold French champagne. Serve in a pitcher with ice.

Lastly on that table-for-two evening, you may want to show off your barman prowess with the following champagne cobbler. In a big goblet put a thin piece of orange peel and the same of lemon peel. Muddle lightly to bring out the oils, pack the glass with ice, fill with ice-cold champagne. Stir till frost appears on the outside of the bowl. Garnish with white grapes, moistened and rolled in sugar, and canned or preserved white cherries.
of them have fairly wide distribution, and their name on a bottle of wine is indicative of premium quality.

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Wines keep best in dry, dark places, free from vibration, and at a temperature of 55 to 60 degrees Fahrenheit. If you have a basement, wonderful. If you live in an apartment, a closet will do very nicely, if it remains cool. You can make your own wine racks, or you can buy metal ones, each holding twelve bottles, very reasonably. Of course, bottles should be stored on their sides, so that the corks will be kept moist, and no air will get in the bottle. In storing wine, keep white wines and champagne on the lowest levels, and red wines above them. Appetizer and dessert wines can be stored upright.

Although wine is usually served without mixing, it is equally versatile in mixed cold drinks for summer, hot drinks for winter, punches and cups for parties all the year around, and cocktails anytime. (Continued on page 222)
When Granddad did the honors...

Cuba continued from page 153

lose their strength. If you want smaller, more atmospheric places, the Ambos Mundos, preferred by “the bossing way,” is good. It has a happy old-fashioned feeling which its proprietor Señor Asper has promised he will never change; it will be carried on like this by his grandchildren. The top floor is a roof garden and restaurant offering one of the finest views of the harbor. Just a block away is the Plaza del Catedral with its inducements of fine architecture, crocodile shops, and the Havana Club, which is not a club but a rum and liqueur-selling outlet located in a beautiful old building with a tropical-"calush courtyard and""aiziquis on the house for visitors (this clearly the last step before leaving Cuba with that duty-free gallon of liquor under arms). We personally recommend the 75-year-old Arechabal romas for two dollars and something. If you are determined to get native you can also stop at the Hotel Packard which oversees the harbor and is esteemed by captains of the Cuba Mail line. Its only drawback is, the fact that you cannot get breakfast till some Spanish hour like 11 A.M., might be considered an advantage by customers who will surely spend their nights at the New Pastores Bar on the waterfront. If it does come, that Cuban coffee is the best in the world and a real coffee reviver. Around the town there are little stands where you can get a minuscule cup for three cents. You emerge reeling but completely happy.

Many people consider Cuban food superior to Spanish. It is less oily and more spiced and includes delicious native roots such as yuca and manzana, both of which may be classified as potatoes with sex appeal. Besides the miniature oysters, there is the justly-famous Morro crab whose black and pink-enameled claws are almost too handsome to eat and the pargo which is a super red snapper. For such fish foods, go to the Zaragozana. Young roasted pig with black beans and another great delicacy which you can get done to a turn at out-of-town restaurants such as El Sitio on the road to Wajay or the nearby Aljibe. Locally cooked the wine is hard to fail to make enough of. But walking through the town you can always find some dusty vendor who will sell you a ripe mango, a plum-like zapote, a fabulous mango, or one of the bitter Seville oranges which do so much to ordinary drinks.

Varadero, which almost everybody has conceded to be the most beautiful beach in the world, is a chapter in itself. Its 24 miles of white sand is so likened to talcum powder, its waters to dissolved peacocks' feathers. Wading out on a still day on its shallow bottom, you step from emerald to deep blue; many claim with the certainty that there are no sharks around. Sailing and water skiing are general sports. You have a choice of places to stay. The magnificent Varadero Internacional sits on its own 16 acres, includes golf, tennis, beach and, upon arrival, flowers plus a frozen banana daiquiri. There is also the well-known Kawama Club, now open to tourists; and Las Rosas hotel where you have a shaded upper dining terrace. (Continued)
of the fucis family) toppeis a wall or buckles a pavement by pushing its fire­
house that face root under it, these
can be unconscionably lopped off with­
without apparent damage to its vitality, Gar­
dens of tropical luxuriance (the kind
that would take 15 or 20 years to make in California) grow in two or three
years' time. Over one season, dry fence
posts flower to rival cherry blossom
time in Washington. Native materials,
both natural and man-made, are uni­
versally handsome, though one feels
that this list could be expanded. As it
is, excellent use is made of the golden­
yellow and coraline-white building
stones, of the rough-made terracotta
jars, of polished hardwoods and the best­looking terrazo flooring you can find
this side of Italy. Also, the craft­
manship tradition survives in Cuba with­
the result that excellent cabinet work
and iron work can be had by anyone
who has a good idea or a good design.

Landscape architecture, like the
houses, is making remarkable head­
way. This is truly a new art since the
first modern, asymmetrical garden was
only introduced in the late 1930's by
Milton Link of Florida. Presently in
Cuban gardens harked back to a Eu­
ropean formula with avenues of royal
palms substituting for Italian eucalyps
or French clipped allees. Too little use
was made of native plants, and too little
and of fascinating variations of texture
which characterize the tropical scene.
Now the Cuban garden draws more ef­
fect from its greenery and exotic flow­
ering trees than from flowers. The off­
center, free-form garden is typical of
the most interesting houses in the
Vedado and Country Club sections of
Havana. Flowing outlines of paved ter­
eraces act as easy extensions of the
rooms, as are at home with the Spanish
baroque and round-topped window as
with the glass wall or cantilevered
exterior staircase.

Outdoor living is a reality in all
but Cuba's two rainy months, Septem­
ber and October. Though Cubans never
sit in the sun, there are ample facilities
for outdoor dining in patios, under
arcades or in the shelter of wide roof
overhangs. Table settings are generally
simple with good use of colored glass,
pottery and linen. In every important
the swimming pool is a focal
down a loss to the in-laws as her or
importance is brought through the whole of this

planned for anywhere from 15 to 30 close rela­
tives. Great-aunts in black veils make
themselves interesting in perfect Eng­
lish. Beautiful daughters-in-law keep
an eye on their progeny, carry their
youngest or wear maternity clothes with
grace. Older boys sit on the crappers of
ratty Cuban horses and give the little
ones a brief gallop in the saddle,
steering with a long rein in either hand.
"We Cubans have loud voices," a young
woman said to me, "That is why we
need so many acoustic ceilings in our
houses." But outdoors the babel be­
comes absorbed into the rain-like swish
of palm leaves, the clinking of cocks,
the clatter from the kitchen, the roar
and scream of self-important miniature
sugar trains-carrying cane from field to
factory.

Through Theodore Roosevelt and
General Leonard Wood, through the
Maine and the sugar business, Cuba
has been familiar to us for so long that
we take it for granted. Being so near,
it is often omitted from the West Indian
traveler's itinerary. As a result, it re­
mains something of an untouched tim­
ner's paradise. Containing the ameni­
ities of a small Eurojean capital with the
ish tradition with the arts and architec­
ture of a growing western republic. Or,
as the famous cartoonist, Charles Mass­
sager puts it, "Cuba has no cold prob­
lem, no racial problem, and is the only
country in the world where Lent and
the Carnival run simultaneously. What
more do you want?"

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Plant them any time from mid-April to late June. To control the flower’s one serious enemy, thrips, treat with DDT in standard formulations as recommended by the manufacturer. Spray when the plants are 8” high and repeat treatment weekly until the flower spikes are ready to open.

Exhibition varieties will produce almost two dozen 6” flowers on a single 3’ stalk. New delicacy and fresh colors have been brought to the miniatures, also prized for use as cut flowers. All colors and tones are represented. Among the tall kinds four of proven quality are Margaret Beaton, white; Spic and Span, pink; Catherine Beath, yellow; Firegleam, red. Miniatures: While Lady; Bo-Peep, pink; Little Gold, yellow; Atom, red.

Group in borders for vivid accent among other perennials, in front of delphiniums, as at left. Before planting corns, dust with a fungicide and set 4” to 6” deep as soon as ground can be worked. Mass from 12 to 18 of a single variety; make plantings every 2 weeks or so for blossoms until frost.

Set in rows for easy cultivation in the cutting garden, and use markers at the head of each row or section. Identify your favorites as they come into bloom and when harvesting corns. Medium size corns, upper row, are 6” apart; dwarfs, lower row, are 2” apart. Mix in 2 lbs. complete fertilizer per 100 sq. ft. before planting.
Mulch between rows with a layer of salt-marsh hay or straw to suppress weeds and eliminate work with hoe or cultivator. It will also conserve moisture, keep the ground cool, prevent packing of the ground under heating rains. Or use buckwheat hulls, grass clippings, peatmoss or sawdust.

With sawdust mulching, spread a 4" layer over the earth-covered bulbs at planting time. The spears will come right up through both soil and sawdust without further attention. After the bulbs are lifted in the fall, you can work sawdust into the soil to add humus. Apply extra plant food to aid decomposition of the mulch.

When plants are 8" high, spray with 50% wettable DDT at the rate of 1 tablespoon to one gallon of water; repeat at 10-day intervals. This will control thrips, the only real enemy of gladiolus and the cause of streaking leaves, twisted stems and blasted flowers.

Lift the plants in the autumn after the tops have turned brown, or have been killed by frost. Use a spade or fork to unearth them, being careful not to injure the new corms. Keep each variety in a separate pile so that each storage tray can be properly labeled.

Remove and discard old corms from the base of the new ones. Dust the new corms with 3%-5% DDT and sulphur and store in a cool, dry place. The large corms will produce fine blooms next year; in a year or two the cormels will be big enough to flower.

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by rock outcroppings; learn what to plant around them; experiment as you go." From the start (when they bought three acres of land and a small New England house in 1945) the garden has been a family affair. With two pairs of hands each chore is a sociable project; the results a mutual satisfaction.

Mr. Proudfoot is a weekend gardener, plants the vegetable garden in spring, does major jobs at harvest time. Mrs. Proudfoot has outside help one day a week. Not much time was spent reading garden books or buying a lot of equipment at first. The essentials were tools, wheelbarrow, grass seed, catalogues, hardy plants, bulbs, the "how to plant" directions on seed packets. Existing on their property were privet and barberry, some arborvitae, old apple and pear trees, pine, birch and brush.

They immediately started a rock garden, the bed of the rock outcroppings. Unwanted boulders and pines were pulled out with a rope and barrow; other rocks were moved into place to make a natural setting for form, snowdrops, primroses, violets, ivy, myrtle, spring bulbs, little sedums, thyme varieties, dwarf iris, and, in the shady places, laurel, azaleas, rhododendron. This is a partial list to which more plants were added each year.

Next they put in a post-and-rail fence, one section at a time to define garden borders as planted and developed. Along the fence by the present perennial borders Mrs. Proudfoot decided to plant only a single climbing rose variety, New Dawn, "because its pale pink shade would be the best and most innocuous color to blend with the other flowers I visualized."

Almost as soon as moving in they started the vegetable garden, laying out a plan of beds to be intersected by thick, wear-resistant gridiron grass. A new asparagus bed, which takes several years to mature, was dug and planted; and the strawberry plants were conveniently located in relation to the "crop" section of the garden. Several small plum and peach trees were bought, and planted to act as terminals by garden beds, and give form to the overall plan.

Mrs. Proudfoot's main and guiding idea from the start was to combine backgrounds and borders with a crop. In other words, roses on a fence, blueberries in the foreground; grapes along a hedge, perennial below. "Start with logical, fundamental steps," she says, "a simple entrance planted of tulips, daffodils and a ground cover. Plant in the vicinity of your house; open up green vistas for a pleasing outlook from where you sit. Our back terrace faces a beautiful old apple tree, looks out on the rock garden. If you do the rudimentary planning and planting first, installing cold frames, growing perennials from seed can wait. Pick a little sunny spot by your kitchen or service door for herbs and salad greens."

Gradually Mrs. Proudfoot became adept at starting flowers from seed. Starting slowly with one cold frame, she now has six adjacent to her herb and salad garden. In the early spring she starts pansies, foxgloves, Canterbury bells, columbine, handsome delphinium (Pacific hybrids). Young plants, started from seed, are taken up from the cold frames and set out in open ground to "winter over." The following spring they go into their permanent place in the borders. Many plants, of course, she buys. Named hybrid varieties of hardy plants such as tall summer phlox, bearded iris, peonies, daylilies are available only as plants from nurseries, since they won't come true from seed. This list includes all bulb varieties, rose bushes, and chrysanthemums too. Asked about soil, she explained that theirs was clayey, packing down hard after rain or hot summer sun. The answer was to start a compost pile. Literally everything on the property (except meat scraps) is composted and worked into the soil to keep it open and aired.

Are first-year gardeners apt to bite off more than they can hoe? we wanted to know. Yes, like every gardener enthusiast who likes to cook as well, she planted too many herbs at first. Then they had to be harvested, dried, hung in the attic to flavor winter dishes. Some of the bunches are still up there. Now she concentrates on snipping and plucking fresh herbs for summer use.

Has she ever been tempted to go in for flower arrangements? No. Flowers should be used freshly, casually, spontaneously around a house such as theirs. After all it is a typical small white clapboard with old ceiling beams, in whose rooms formal arrangements would be ill at ease.

When they first moved to New Canaan, was she urged to join local clubs? Yes, in that neighborly community it was hard to refuse! Finally, for the purpose of self-teaching, she became a member of "The Gardeners." Today she is active in the New Canaan Garden Club as well.

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Oriental poppies and dictamnus make colorful garden team-mates

Some flowers serve best as scene changers after showier stars such as oriental poppies fade and leave a big gap in the border ranks. Dictamnus is one of these, a graceful, small-leaved perennial with airy spikes of white florets. Planted in front of or between flaring poppies it is a perfect foil, both in color and form, for the other's fireworks. While there is no more fiery-headed performer in all the hardy border than an oriental poppy (botanically *Papaver orientale*), its bloom span is short. The top of the poppy fades and browns quickly after the red, orange and flame pink blooms, flashed with white, go by in early June. Then the plant has little decorative value, for what remains is a clump of coarse, thistle-like foliage creating a big gap along the border. Yet the oriental poppy is much too dramatic a spring perennial to forget; it falls heir to no ill, has no pests, lasts for years without coddling. The smaller white dictamnus reaches a height of 30" to the poppy's 36" or more. It may come into bloom while the poppies are still in flower, and there are few better blends in the garden. Its shiny foliage stays erect and green throughout the summer till the poppy foliage makes it reappear in autumn. The plant itself, developing a massive, fleshy root, is almost as long lived as a peony. Dictamnus is grown best in its white flowered species. Oriental poppies are available in an ever improving list of named varieties. The new pinks, and some of the Curtis introductions, are especially fine. In either case, set the roots with their root crowns a half inch below the surface in deeply prepared (18") fertile soil; the poppies 12" to 18" apart, the dictamnus 2' to 3' between or among the poppy clumps. Plant poppy roots in the fall, from August through October, and the earlier the better. In spring you can usually get plants in pots. Dictamnus may be set either in spring or fall, but once established does not like to be moved. As a third color contrast for group plantings, try a few of the newer blue shades of bearded iris to harmonize with the pink-white scheme of the others.

Left

New pink shades distinguish oriental poppies introduced during recent years. Now these spring perennials harmonize amiable with other flowers.

Right

Snowy white dictamnus makes a good foil for the bold blooms of poppies. The glossy green foliage fills gaps left after poppies fade.
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How to have better plants,
bigger harvests with compost

Amateur composting is too often a make-shift affair. Yet every garden should have its own plant nutrients returned to it in the form of compost. Every gardener can profitably use all the compost he can get hold of to enrich and improve soil texture.

All vegetable waste can be put back to work in the compost heap: weed stalks, pea pods, straw, dried grasses, flower stalks, roots, windfall fruits, all except woody stems or branches. (Where plants have been infected with disease, and you know it, better burn rather than compost them.) Along with raw vegetable matter, sods and turf trimmings, fresh barnyard manure makes an excellent addition, with an occasional sprinkling of garden soil on top of the whole. (Dried or old manures are better applied directly where needed in the garden.) Incorporation of a few handfuls of ground limestone for every half dozen bushels of waste (any ordinary balanced plant food, too) will give you a more fertile compost, and its nitrogen content will help feed more bacteria of decomposition.

For waste plant material to decompose, four things are required: moisture, warmth, air and bacterial life. Given the conditions of the first three, and only in their presence, the fourth will do the job. A compost pile should be placed in the garden where it can receive and absorb moisture, where summer temperatures can operate, and yet where water will drain away, permitting air to enter without drying or cooling the mass too much. The material should never be hard packed for this makes an airless mass and may result in putrefaction, as well as unpleasant odor. Nor really well-built, cleanly stored heap has to be unsightly or odoriferous.

Most gardeners let their compost decompose too long before using it. They will wait and wait until they have a fine, soft pile of

Loose concrete blocks which are laid in rows as needed, with no cement, are excellent containers for compost. They can be extended or shortened as pipe grows or shrinks, moved to a new location in straight line or at angle.

The single box made of slab timber is both decorative and serviceable. If the pile has been topped with earth and kept moist, it will be well broken down when shoveled out for distribution in the garden at the end of the season. If too coarse, sift compost through 1/4" wire mesh screen.
material as easy to shovel as sand. By this time some of the nutrients and most of the soil conditioning value have been lost. A sensible rule to follow would be: Let each year's compostable waste be returned to the garden before the year is out.

To do this you need to have a sturdy container (pit, bin, box or what you will) in which to induce the best, and in general fastest, initial breakdown of vegetable wastes. This initial breakdown is the important part for two reasons: 1. Most of the work of composting on fresh material is done by nature in the first eight to ten weeks, once warm weather has arrived. At that stage most compost is fit to be incorporated in garden soil, in holes dug for transplanting, in perennial borders, around the roots of newly set out evergreens, or wherever needed to give your plants faster growth before midsummer droughts or pelting rains. Whether the mass is sifted or unsifted, with or without special plant food supplements to encourage the bacterial organisms that do the actual composting, Nature will have gotten her initial work started on the mass. 2. Continual supplements of fibrous matter, formed in first-season compost, are of more use in most gardens than aged, or second-year compost. Compost serves a better mechanical or soil conditioning purpose, in other words, than it does a nutritive one.

For these reasons, and especially on a small lot, if the compost bin can be emptied at least once a year, it can be refilled once a year, which fits the gardening cycle a T. The question then is how easily and practically to store the material. The simple box made of split timber nailed to poles is one simple answer. You fill it between fall and spring; leave it through summer; then empty it and start over. A pair of adjoining bins is a great convenience. Even better is a belt-line bin, arranged so that the side walls can be extended as the pile grows. Loose concrete building blocks, laid without any cement, or lengths of plank are as good as anything to contain compost. Beyond these simple devices there are infinite structural refinements, such as brick bins, or poured concrete with a built-in drain. These require real construction, but will not necessarily make more or better compost. Turning the heap may be useful in special instances, though it is seldom really necessary.

Open-end bin, constructed of heavy planking, is suited to real quantity production. With large amounts of material available for composting at frequent intervals during the season, a layer-by-layer technique is followed, with lime, soil between layers. Compost is taken from the open end.

Double bin allows for stacking of fresh compost in box made to any convenient size and height for a season's supply and, in addition, storage of compost which may be in usable condition but unneeded for the time being.
Plant food menu
for the springtime garden

When the ground warms up in the spring and plants begin to show color in leaf and flower bud, they need food for vitality and to assure good growth. This is the time to have on hand a supply of plant food to work into the ground for roots to draw upon. The following chart lists helpful springtime feedings for your plants, describes the formulas, prescribes the amounts required for various plants, and how to make the applications.

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<td>Soluble plant foods</td>
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<td>2 lbs. per 100 sq. ft.</td>
<td>Apply when grass is dry, and water food into ground.</td>
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<td>or 6-10-4</td>
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<td>New formula that needs no watering in, will not burn grass. Releases nutrients slowly all summer long. Repeat application in early fall.</td>
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<td>2 lbs. per 100 sq. ft.</td>
<td>Apply in holes 10&quot; to 24&quot; deep and same distance apart with crowbar or soil auger, within area from branch tips to ½ way to tree trunk. Divide total amount of fertilizer among holes. Water in, fill holes with earth.</td>
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<td>Apply in circle 3&quot; to 4&quot; away from plant, when new growth is about 2&quot; long. Scratch food into soil lightly.</td>
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Accent your garden border with blues

Work a new kind of garden magic by using blues to separate your problem colors.

The next time you are looking for a new formula for working some honest-to-goodness magic in your garden, try accenting it in blue. At first, you will discover it something of a challenge, for you cannot use the false blues which you find in phlox and the viola. Only the true blues, which are bright and clear and not too dark, will do.

They are some of the rarest shades of all the flower kingdom, and that, perhaps, is why the results will be effective, unusual, even surprising.

You can watch your experiment develop early, when the spring bulbs color your garden with the first flowers of the season. They are the pastels and bright yellows, which blend beautifully by themselves, and may seem to be complete as they are, but do try adding to them the first blue accent of the season. Set them off, by contrast, with blue hyacinths. These may be the sky blue shade (Bismarck) alone, or combined with the deeper shade (King of the Blues) preferably in alternated groupings. The pattern can be either an edging, or a scalloped or staggered row deeper in the border. Or they can be used, almost as effectively, though in much smaller quantity, by scattering them like punctuation in a paragraph.

By early June, the problem children of the garden are beginning to raise their beautiful heads. The procession is led by iris; the red, the mahogany, and the copper-toned ones. Some gardeners believe the solution is isolation, to a spot where they can live with their own kind. But by doing so, we are defeating the real plan of a truly harmonious garden. Instead of relegating the unusual blends to a spot by themselves, we find a happier solution right in their own realm. They are the delicate blue iris (Gloriole, Blue Shimmer, Chivalry, Helen McGregor, William Setchell). By grouping them this way, the effect is so flattering that some of the older varieties mentioned above are worth keeping, for this purpose alone. Perhaps you have tried separating them with white, and found your lovely Spanish Peaks, Mattehorns, and Gaudran looking just about the color of dirty snow. On (Cont'd on page 219)
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Build a coldframe and grow earlier and better plants

A coldframe is really just a bottomless box with a glass top to shed rain, conserve heat and, when shaded in summer, to help keep temperature down. It can be just an apple box covered with a pane of glass, or it may be made to fit either lightweight coldframe sash 2 by 4 feet or the standard 3 by 6 foot size. Multiple frames can be built to accommodate as many sash as you wish to use. Buy your frame knocked down or build it yourself out of ordinary lumber to receive the factory-made sash. Several packaged types of metal, wood or plastic coldframes are also available. Coldframes are usable the year round, beginning with early seed starting in March and April, continuing as growing beds and plant reservoirs during the growing seasons, and concluding as storehouses for hibernating plants during the winter. Frames should have an open exposure to the south, and be sheltered from the north and west. Here are a few hints on how to use them.

Uses. 1. Start seeds in very early spring to gain several weeks over outdoor planting time. 2. Harden off plants started indoors to prepare them for transplanting to the open garden. 3. Force early crops of lettuce and other salad greens to earlier maturity. 4. Start seeds of biennial and perennial flowers for next season. 5. Root cuttings of perennials and shrubs to make new plants. 6. Use for winter storage of those plants whose ability to survive outdoors is questionable.

Techniques. When only a few plants of a large number of varieties are needed, it is better to start seeds in pots or small flats (shallow boxes) placed in the coldframe, rather than directly in the soil of the frame. Sow seeds of half-hardy and tender annuals 4-6 weeks ahead of last frost; biennials from June to early August; perennials in April, May and in August. Root cuttings of herbaceous perennials (chrysanthemum, delphinium, hardy asters and phlox) can be inserted in a mixture of sand and vermiculite or sand and peatmoos, half and half by volume, whenever young shoots, 2 or 3 inches long, become available. Root shrub cuttings from mid-June to early August in a similar medium, using the peatmoss mixture.

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Simplest coldframe, right, need be nothing more than a wooden box with no bottom and with a pane of glass for a top. Here seeds, or cuttings in pots set on ground may be started.

Permanent frames may be multiple units, left, covered with light 2" x 4" sash in which simple large panes of glass are fitted without putty. Frames are ventilated on sunny days by propping sash with wood blocks.
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the direction of the wind. A block of wood
1½"x3½"x6½" permits openings of three
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April shade may be needed during sunny
days. This can be a surrounding
screen made by nailing wood laths an
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mented by 1 to 3 thicknesses of cheese-
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Water plants in the morning so
that the leaves have a chance to dry
before night. If severe frost threatens
after the seeds have germinated, close
the frame tightly while it is still warm
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EXACT TIMING

secret of garden insect control

Dr. Louis Pyenson, plant pathologist and expert on pest control, suggests what to apply when, to keep your garden healthy.

There is nothing more useless than to spray an insect that isn't there. Proper timing of applications still remains the important key to success with garden insecticides. This has two aspects. First, the spray or dust must reach the insect when and where he is vulnerable. Second, the spray or dust must be effective and potent when it makes contact with the insect. The margin for error in this combination is often small, although the following time-pest-control suggestions take advantage of the newest safe developments in long lasting materials. The following recommendations assume that the gardener will buy packaged preparations containing the essential controls and will follow the manufacturer's instructions.

During late May and June watch out for:

Birch leaf miner
Larvae produce small blanched blotches in the leaves which gradually enlarge, turn brown, and destroy the foliage. One or two defoliations (complete loss of leaves) will not kill birch trees, but will surely weaken them, and make them more susceptible to borers. Several successive defoliations will kill trees.

Control. Malathion, emulsifiable concentrate, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water.
Timing. Apply as soon as birch leaves are fairly well developed and small blanched areas observed when leaves are held up to light. Later application is effective but will not prevent noticeable injury. One application sufficient. Repeat in six weeks for next generation.

Holly leaf miner
Winding and blotchy mines in the leaves weaken shrubs and cause premature defoliation in the early spring. Tiny flies begin to emerge from leaves when new foliage just beginning to expand; lay eggs in new foliage. Control. 50% DDT wettable powder, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water; or 25% DDT emulsifiable, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water.
Timing. Adults must be killed before egg laying in foliage begins; first application when new foliage just beginning to expand; second, 10 days later.

Boxwood leaf miner and boxwood psylla
The leaf miner puckers up leaves and causes scraggy plants; the psylla cups up new growth and stunts plants.
Control. Malathion emulsifiable concentrate, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water. Apply to foliage and twigs.
Timing. Exact timing no longer essential—malathion; any time from mid-June to mid-July effective to get young miners in leaves after hatching, and to get adult psyllas on twigs before they lay eggs.

Scale insects
Scurvy, oyster shell, San Jose, pine needle, eucryphon and rhododendron scale insects suck sap from branches, twigs or leaves, stunning growth, yellowing and, if unchecked, killing foliage.
Control. Malathion emulsifiable concentrate, 1 teaspoon plus 25% DDT emulsifiable concentrate, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water. (Dormant spraying with dinitros or oils preferable.) Apply thoroughly to bark of branches, twigs and stems.
Timing. Careful timing very important to get tiny "crawlers" within a week of hatching. Watch for those crawlers emerging from under old scales about third week in May for scurvy, oyster shell and San Jose scale, near end of May for the pine needle scale, and about June 10 for eucryphon and rhododendron scale. One well timed application sufficient.

Mites or red spiders
Their sap sucking causes grayish mottling of foliage with later browning and defoliation. Stunting of growth and weakening of plants constitute important damage not usually noticed.
Control. Malathion emulsifiable concentrate, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water; or 15% aramite wettable powder, 2 tablespoons per gallon; or 25% dimethoate, 1 teaspoon per gallon of water. On evergreens 50% Ovuran wettable powder, 2 tablespoons per gallon. Apply to all sides of foliage.
Timing. Exact timing not essential; apply twice, 10 days apart, late May or early June. Repeat in early fall, if necessary.

Lacebugs
Sap sucking causes gray speckling of foliage with yellowing and browning. Plants weakened, may be killed.
Control. Malathion emulsifiable, 1 teaspoon per gallon of water. Apply to undersides of foliage.
Timing. Exact timing not essential, but do not wait for severe injury to show up. Two applications 10 days apart are sufficient; late May on broad leaved evergreens, early June on shrubs and trees. This gets the spiny nymphs shortly after they hatch.

Thrips
Their rasping and sucking cause grayish mottled foliage, flowers later turning brownish, Plants weakened, flower quality impaired.

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**European corn borer**

Larvae bore in stems of flowers, causing them to wilt or break over.

Control. 5% DDT dust or 25% DDT emulsifiable, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water.

Timing. Application should begin when first-fledged white egg patches on undersides of foliage show black dots in linin in June. Repeat three times at 3-day intervals. For second generation begin in early August and repeat four times at 5-day intervals.

**White grubs**

Larvae bore in the wood of main trunk or branches, killing them.

Control. 60% chlordane wettable powder, 5 teaspoons, or 75% chlordane emulsifiable, 1 teaspoon, or 25% dieldrin wettable powder, 2 teaspoons, or 15% dieldrin emulsifiable, 1 teaspoon per gallon of water. Apply to foliage on which beetles feed. It is impossible to protect blooms from the beetles by chemical means.

Timing. Exact timing not important. Make three applications at 2-week intervals, beginning in early July when beetles first appear.

**Japanese beetle**

Adults defoliate most deciduous trees and shrubs, also destroy flowers.

Control. 50% DDT wettable powder, 3 tablespoons per gallon of water. Apply to foliage on which beetles feed. It is impossible to protect blooms from the beetles by chemical means.

Timing. Exact timing not important. Make three applications at 2-week intervals, beginning in early July when beetles first appear.

**Rhododendron borer**

Larvae tunnel under bark and in sapwood of main trunk or branches, killing them.

Control. Use same treatment as for bronze birch borer.

Timing. Same as for bronze birch borer.

**Tarnished plant bug**

Sap sucking causes blackened terminal shots, dead buds, and imperfect flowers.

Control. 25% DDT emulsifiable, 2 teaspoons per gallon of water.

Timing. The nymphs and adults must be killed before their feeding causes injury. The growing plant tips must be kept coated. Beginning in mid-June make three applications at 2-week intervals.

**Taxus weevil**

White grubs feed on roots, causing yellowing of foliage and death of plants.

Adults scalp out pieces of foliage at night, hide in daytime.

Control. 50% chlordane wettable powder, 5 teaspoons, or 75% chlordane emulsifiable, 1 teaspoon, or 25% dieldrin wettable powder, 2 teaspoons, or 15% dieldrin emulsifiable, 1 teaspoon per gallon of water. Apply to foliage and soil; coat heavily lower branches and soil surfaces. There is no known control for the grubs in the soil.

Timing. The treatment is timed to kill the adult beetles as they emerge from the soil and feed on the plants. Make applications in late June when you find the black weevils under debris or clods near plants. Destruction of the adults eliminates future grub damage.

From early July on watch out for the following:

**Lilac borer (ash borer)**

Larvae tunnel in the wood, killing the older lilac growth and deforming and killing mountain ash.

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As a variation on chilled sherry and vermouth as a prelude to a dinner, try a Sherry Old Fashioned, or a Bamboo cocktail. They are really good and simple to make.

**Sherry Old Fashioned:** To ½ teaspoon sugar add a dash of Angostura bitters and a twist of lemon peel. Muddle a little, then add 3 ounces dry sherry. Stir, then add ice cubes, and serve.

**Bamboo cocktail:** For two, pour two ounces each of dry sherry and sweet vermouth in a mixing glass, and add a dash of Angostura bitters. Add cracked ice or ice cubes, and stir well until thoroughly chilled. Strain into cocktail glass and add a maraschino cherry, and twist a piece of lemon peel over top.

**Golden cocktail:** Pour 2 parts of dry sherry and 1 part dry vermouth in a mixing glass, add cracked ice or cubes, and stir well until thoroughly chilled. Strain into cocktail glass and add an olive or a pearl onion.

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CHICKEN TETRAZZINI

1 package spaghetti
1 large can tomato juice
3 1/2 lb stewing chicken
1 lb mushrooms
1/2 c grated cheese
4 T butter
3 T flour
2 c chicken stock
1 c heavy cream
Salt and paprika
1/2 c boiled ham, shredded

Boil spaghetti. When cooked, wash, drain and add tomato juice. Cook on slow fire until spaghetti absorbs all juice. Boil chicken and make stock. Sauté mushrooms and add spaghetti with 3 c diced chicken and cheese. Make cream sauce combining butter, flour, chicken stock, heavy cream, salt and paprika. Combine sauce and spaghetti in a casserole and bake in a moderate 350° oven for 15 minutes. Add ham just before serving.

CHILI CON CARNE

1 1/2 lbs ground beef
1 T butter
4 onions
1 can tomato soup
1/2 c water
Salt, pepper, paprika, chili powder
2 cans kidney beans
1 clove garlic, minced
1 T Worcestershire sauce
1 T chopped parsley

Brown meat in butter. Add onions which have been browned. Cover with soup. Add water, seasonings, beans, garlic, Worcestershire sauce. Mix together and simmer for 2 hours. Add tomatoes and serve very hot.

SWEDISH MEAT BALLS

2 slices bread
1/2 c milk
1 egg
1/2 lbs ground beef
1 onion, finely chopped
1/2 t salt
1/4 t fresh ground pepper

Cut meat into 1-inch cubes. Roll in flour and brown in hot fat with onions, salt and pepper and paprika. Add tomatoes and cook 1 hour. One half hour before serving, add potatoes and cook slowly, covered, until potatoes are tender. Ten minutes before serving add 1/4 c thick sour cream. To vary dish, substitute cooked noodles for potatoes.

CASSEROLES WITH WINE continued from page 115

CHICKEN PARISIAN

1 3 1/4 lb fryer
1 clove garlic
Salt and pepper
Paprika
1/4 c salad oil
2 T butter
1/4 c vermouth

Cut up chicken, wash and dry. Rub with garlic, salt, pepper and paprika. Put salad oil in casserole. Add chicken and dot with butter. Add vermouth. Bake from time to time in moderate 350° oven. Bake 1 1/2 hours or until tender.

SOAK bread in milk until absorbed. Beat egg and mix with meat, bread, onion and seasonings. Form into small balls and flour lightly. Brown in drippings in heavy casserole. Add water to cover and cook slowly, covered for 1-2 hours. Thicken gravy slightly, serve hot.

NASSI GORENG

3/4 c butter
2 onions, chopped
3/4 t chili powder or
1 T curry powder
2 T peanut butter
1 cooked shrimp
1 cooked chicken, cubed
3/4 c diced ham
5 c cooked rice
1 clove garlic, minced
Dash each mace, pepper
1 each salt and cumin seed
1 peeled cucumber, sliced thin
2 hard-cooked eggs

Lightly brown onions in butter and add chili or curry powder. Add peanut butter and shrimp. Stir well and add chicken and ham. Add rice to pan and stir to brown for 30 minutes. Add seasonings and place mixture in buttered casserole. Bake in moderate 350° oven for 15 minutes. Serve garnished with cucumber slices, eggs cut into wedges, and chutney, peanuts, fried bananas and pickles.

HUNGARIAN GOULASH

1 lb lean veal
1 lb lean beef
Flour
1 T fat
1 large onion, diced
Salt and pepper
1 t paprika
1 c strained tomatoes
8 small new potatoes
3/4 c sour cream

Cut meat into 1-inch cubes. Roll in flour and brown in hot fat with onions, salt and pepper and paprika. Add tomatoes and cook 1 hour. One half hour before serving, add potatoes and cook slowly, covered, until potatoes are tender. Ten minutes before serving add 3/4 c thick sour cream. To vary dish, substitute cooked noodles for potatoes.

SHRIMP DE LUXE

3 lbs fresh shrimp
1 t salt
1 clove grated garlic
3/4 c butter (creamed)
1 c bread crumbs
Dash paprika
Dash cayenne pepper
4 T chopped parsley
1/2 c sherry wine

Clean and cook and drain shrimp. Add salt, garlic, creamed butter, bread crumbs, paprika, cayenne, parsley and sherry to shrimp. Sprinkle buttered (Continued on page 227)

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bread crumbs on top and bake in buttered casserole at 350° for 30 to 40 minutes.

SCALLOPS CHAMPIGNONS
1 lb scallops
3 T butter
1 onion, chopped
1/2 lb mushrooms, sliced
1/2 c Chablis
Salt and pepper
Caramelized butter
1 T chopped parsley
Battered bread crumbs
Saute onion and mushrooms in butter and add sliced scallops which have been well washed. Add wine, seasonings and chopped parsley. Fill casserole and sprinkle with buttered crumbs. Bake in hot oven 400° until brown.

LOBSTER NEWBURG
1 lb cooked lobster, diced
3 T butter
Salt, pepper, paprika
1/4 t chopped onion
1/2 c sliced mushrooms
3 egg yolks
1 t cream
1/2 t chervil or Marsala

Combine butter, salt, pepper, paprika, onion and mushrooms in top of double boiler over hot water for 5 minutes. Add cream to egg yolks and heat well. Add lobster and wine to onion-mushroom mixture and stir well. Place in casserole and add cream-egg yolks mixture and mix well. Place in moderate 350° oven until well heated. Serve hot on toast points.

Duck JUBILEE
5 lb duck, cleaned and quartered
1 T lemon juice
1 t salt
1/2 t pepper
1 T fat
2 T brandy
1 onion
1 large can black cherries
1 c almonds
2 T cornstarch
1 bay leaf
1/2 c red wine

Season duck with lemon juice, salt, and pepper. Brown in a frying pan. Pour off fat. Pour brandy over duck and ignite. Remove duck to casserole and saute onion in fat. Drain cherries and stuff with halved almonds. Dissolve cornstarch in 1/2 c cherry juice. Combine all ingredients except cherries with duck in casserole and simmer in moderate 350° oven until duck is tender. Add cherries just before serving.

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SQUARS EN CASSEROLE
4 small squashes
Salt, pepper, paprika
4 T butter
4 pickled peach halves
1/2 c pickled peach juice

Wash and dry whole squashes. Rub with seasonings and place breast side up on broiler pan. Dot with butter and broil, basting frequently, until browned. Stuff each squash with peach half. Place in casserole and pour pickled peach juice over squashes. Bake in moderate oven 350° until tender.

BAKED OYSTERS CHESAPEAKE
2 doz. oysters
1 medium onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 t chopped parsley or chives
4 T olive oil
Salt and freshly ground pepper
1/4 t oregano
1 T bread crumbs
Grated Parmesan cheese
Lemon juice
Butter

Saute onion, garlic, parsley in oil until golden. Place mixture in casserole mixed with seasonings and some of the cheese and bread crumbs. Place oysters on top and place remaining cheese and crumbs on top. Dot with butter and bake in hot 400° oven until lightly browned.

CALCUTTA BEEF
1 1/2 lb ground beef
3 T butter
2 onions, sliced
1 t garlic salt
1 T salt
1/4 t pepper
1 can whole tomatoes
1 tart apple, chopped
1 t green pepper, chopped
2 c chicken stock
3 t curry powder
1 T flour
1/2 c cooked peas

Melt butter in pan and add onions, beef and seasonings. Brown well and add tomatoes, apple, green pepper, stock and curry powder mixed with flour. Stir until smooth. Place all ingredients in casserole and bake in moderate 350° oven for 30 minutes. Add peas and bake 5 minutes more. Serve with rice.

SPRING TONGUE
3-1/2 lb tongue
1 t salt
1/4 t garlic salt
1/2 c chopped celery
1/2 c chopped onion
1/2 c chopped green pepper
1 T chopped parsley
2 tomatoes, chopped, poached

Boil tongue until tender. Skin and season. Slice tongue and add chopped vegetables and parsley, place in casserole.

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serole. Add water if needed. Cover and bake until vegetables are tender, in 350° oven.

**TURKEY AMANDINE**

- 5 lb turkey broiler
- 2 T hot sherry
- 1 can plum tomatoes
- 2 T flour
- Salt and pepper
- 1/4 c chicken stock
- 1/4 c sour cream
- 1/4 c blanched almonds
- 2 T buttered bread crumbs
- 2 T chopped parsley

Brown disjointed turkey well in butter. Pour on sherry. Remove turkey to serole. Add tomatoes to pan and stir in flour and seasonings. Add stock and stir until mixture boils. Add sour cream and blanched, shredded almonds. Pour over turkey. Sprinkle top with bread crumbs and blanched almonds and dot with butter. Bake in moderate 350° oven for 1 1/4 hours. Sprinkle with parsley and serve.

**BAKED SHRIMP SUPREME**

- 1 lb deveined shrimp
- 2 T butter
- 1 T flour
- 1 onion sliced
- 3 ripe tomatoes, peeled
- 1/2 lb sliced mushrooms
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/2 c water
- 1 T Tabasco sauce
- Salt and pepper
- 1 c chopped parsley or chives
- 2 T sour cream
- 20 black olives, chopped

Melt butter and add flour and blend smooth. Add onion, tomatoes, mushrooms, scallions, parsley, water, seasonings. Cook lightly. Place in casserole with shrimp. Add rice and cover. Bake in moderate 350° oven one half hour. Add ham and oysters cooked in their own liquor.

**CHICKEN CAPRI**

- 4 lb broiler
- 3 T olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, sliced
- Salt and pepper
- 1 sliced 30 green olives, chopped
- 2 T chopped parsley
- 20 black olives, chopped
- 20 green olives, chopped

Brown chicken with garlic and seasonings in oil. When golden brown place in casserole with remaining ingredients. Bake in slow 325° oven for 45 minutes until chicken is tender and sauce thickened.

**SWEETBREADS CHAMPIGNONS**

- 2 e diced cooked sweetbreads
- 1/2 c mushrooms, sautéed
- 2 T blanched almonds
- 2 T butter
- 2 T flour
- 1/2 c milk
- 1/2 c sweetbreads liquid
- 2 T cognac
- Salt, pepper, monosodium glutamate
- 1 T chopped parsley
- Buttered bread crumbs

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